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Membership Drive In Loyal Order Of Moose By Westminster Lodge

Dr. E. P. Thomas, organizer of the State of Maryland for the Loyal Order of Moose will commence in this city a sixty day membership campaign beginning next Thursday August 12th. A smoker will be given by Westminster Lodge No. 347 L. O. O. M., at Davis Hall, John street on the above date and every member of the order is expectal to be present to meet and hear Dr. Thomas, who will address the meeting. Members are requested to bring their friends.

Dr. Thomas is an orator and educator of national fame and it will be a pleasure to him to address any public gathering for the best interest of the community during his stay here.

The recent campaign in Frederick under the direction of Dr. Thomas was a wonderful success. The lodge presented him with a beautiful traveling bag as a token of its regard for the clean and business-like method with which he conducted the drive.

Dr. Thomas will be pleased to be of service to the town of Westminster and surrounding country either in a fraternal, social or ministerial capacity.

APRON AND HANDKERCHIEF SOCIAL

The public is cordially invited to attend the Apron and Handkerchief Social on Wednesday evening, Aug. 11th, at 7:30 P. M., at the home of Mr. William Devilbiss, the storekeeper on the Reisterstown road, midway between Westminster and Reese.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Westminster Church of God are conducting this social and the proceeds will go towards paying off the debt of their new church.

Those who might feel disposed to make a small contribution towards this social in the way of aprons, or handkerchiefs, or any other article for the fancy table will be very gratefully received. Cakes, ice-cream and candies will be for sale. Come and have a good time. With thanks in advance for your patronage.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of God, Mrs. Geo. Jones, Pres.

SUMMER CONFERENCE OF M. P. CHURCH IN SESSION

The tenth annual session of the summer conference for ministers of the Methodist Protestant Church opened here Wednesday evening and will continue until to-day. The sessions are being held in the Western Maryland College buildings. The Rev. Dr. A. M. Ward, president of the college, made the address of welcome.

Daily lectures were given. The following took part on the program. The Rev. Dr. Charles L. Goddell, of New York; the Rev. Dr. Doremus A. Hayes, of Garrett Biblical Institute; the Rev. Dr. Edwin Lewis, of Drew Theological Seminary; the Rev. Dr. F. T. Benson, editor of the Methodist Protestant; the Rev. Dr. J. H. Straughn, president of the Maryland conference of the church, and the Rev. Dr. T. H. Lewis, president of the General Conference of the church.

The morning devotional services were conducted by the Dr. H. L. Elderdice, president of the Westminster Theological Seminary, and the open-air twilight services were conducted by the Revs. G. M. Clayton, G. A. Ogg andB. W. Kindley, members of the Maryland Conference.

The officers of the conference are: President, the Rev. R. L. Shipley; vice-president, the Rev. F. T. Benson; secretary, the Rev. E. T. Read, and treasurer the Rev. E. A. Sexsmith.

About 50 men from four States are in attendance. They are housed in the college dormitories.

Mr. Howard Smith, wife and three children, of Hyattsville, P. George's Co are at the home o this brother, Mr. Vernon Smith, this past week, near Pleasant Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. David Petry, of this city, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin R. Starner, of Tyrone, are spending the week in Halltown and Charlestown, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Petry, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Smith, of near Pleasant Valley, spent Saturday last at Waynesboro, Pa., visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith and Mr. D. A. Powell and family.

OBITUARY

MRS. MARY COOK

Mary Cook, wife of John W. Cook, died August 3, 1920, at her home near New Windsor, this county, aged 76 years.

The funeral services were held this Friday morning at 10:30 o'clock, and the interment was in Pipe Creek Cemetery.

ALBERTUS LEISTER

Albertus Leister, aged 9 years, son of Albertus Leister, of Philadelphia, was killed July 27, 1920, in a motorcycle accident. His remains were brought to this city Saturday last and, after services in St. Benjamin's Reformed Church, near this city, Rev. John Reinecke officiating, interment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

The pallbearers were Clifton Henry, Roland Hunter, Harry Mathias and Claude Freberthauser.

James M. Stoner funeral director

MRS. MARGARET E. BOND

Mrs. Margaret E. Bond, aged 79 years, 2 months and 23 days, wife of the late Wm. H. Bond, died Tuesday evening at her late residence, 74 Penna. ave., this city, of Cerebral Paralysis. Survivors are 2 sons, Glen D. and Harry; 2 daugters, Mrs. J. H. Ryland, this city and Mrs. H. V. Uhler, of Woodensburg; 3 brothers Alfred C., John F., of Baltimore, and George A. Buckingham, of Hagerstown, and several grandchildren. Services, Friday, August 6th at Emory Chape.. Officiating Rev. John H. Gonso assisted by Rev. J. C.Sinclair, of Fowblesburg. Interment at Emory Chapel Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Elias N. Davis, M. C. Green. Lewis Seipp, Nicholas Mummaugh and Edgar Ward. Joseph Kline and Son of Reisterstown, Md., funeral directors.

MRS. MARY ALICE FLICKINGER

Mrs. Mary Alice Flickinger, wife of Edward F. Flickinger, died at her home in Frizellburg, on Thursday evening July 29th ult., aged 54 years, 4 months and 23 days. She is survived by her husband, Edward F. Flickinger, also 3 sons and 1 daughter, as follows: Benton, William and Charles and Mrs. Charles Dickensheets, all residents of the vicinity.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. Lau, were held at the church in Frizellburg Monday, 2nd inst., at 10.30 A. M., and interment was in Pleasant Valley Cemetery.

Pallbearers were, as follows: Henry Kemper, Noah Miller, Frank Morelock, Samuel Miller, Frank Schaeffer and Robert Young.

Harvey Bankert and Son, funeral directors.

W. LORENZA BELL

W. Lorenza Bell, a highly respected colored man of this city, aged 57 years, was killed Sunday evening August 1, 1920, by being thrown from a motorcycle-sidecar in which he was riding along the Westminster and Littlestown state road. Bell and a man named Robins were coming toward Westminster and when opposite the residence of Mr. Michael McCaffrey, near this city, the motorcycle collided with an automobile owned by Mr. Thomas Byers, of Taylorsville, this county and driven, by his son. Bell was thrown out of the side car and died at his home about 11 o'clock that night.

A coroner's inquest held by Police Justice Walsh declared the accident to be an unavoidable one.

Besides his widow the deceased is survived by three daughters (Mrs. Norine B. Allison, of Wytheville, Va., Mrs. Olive Rice, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Myrtle Squirrel, of this city,) and by three sons (George T. C. Bell, of Frederick, and L. Burgess Bell and C. S. Page Bell, of this city. He is also survived by his parents, three sisters and two brothers.

The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at Ascension Protestant Episcopal Church, this city, Rev. Dr. George W. Dame officiating, and the interment was in Ellsworth Cemetery, near this city.

James M. Stoner funeral director.

JAMES BENJAMIN MASSICOTT

James B. Massicott aged 2 years and 8 days, son of James L. and Emma Massicott, this city, died of spinal meningitis, last evening at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Kemper, on Penna. Ave., this city. Funeral services will be held at St. John's Catholic Church, to-morrow, Saturday at 1.30 P. M., and interment will be in the adjoining cemetery.

James M. Stoner, funeral director.

MISS AMANDA STEWART

Miss Amanda Stewart died at the Methodist Protestant Home for the aged, this city, Monday, August 2, 1920, aged 51 years. Funeral services in charge of Rev. E. N. Van Dyke, were held, Wednesday 4th, at 11 A. M., and interment made in Westminster Cemetery. The pallbearers were Messrs. George Mather, Smith Billingslea, Latimer Elderdice, Edwin Gehr, George Shriner and Edgar Nusbaum.

F. A. Sharrer & Son, funeral directors.

STATE HUNTING LICENSES

State Game Warden, E. Lee LeCompte, has shipped to the Clerks of Courts of this State, 56,900 Hunting Licenses. The Laws of this State require all persons who hunt on property other than that which is owned, tenanted or rented by them, to first procure a license to so hunt, shoot or kill any Game which is protected by Law, from the Clerk of Circuit Court of the Counties or the Clerk of Court of Common Pleas, Baltimore City. The cost of the licenses are as follows:

Non-Resident of State	$10.25
State-wide Resident	5.10
County Resident	1.10

The Non-resident and State-wide Licenses are legal in all the Counties of Maryland. County Resident License is legal in the County for which it is issued, and can be purchased by residents of the County in which same is procured.

The Acts of 1920, which became effective June 1, makes it unlawful for any person to hunt without a license, and in addition to same an ARM TAG which is furnished free to licensee, must be worn on the left arm between elbow and shoulder. This TAG has a small hole at each corner, and can be pinned or sewed on the left sleeve of the hunting coat.

The Law requires that persons hunting shall have their Hunting License in possession and ARM TAG in open view on the left arm.

The first open season on Game is August 16, which is on shore birds, namely: Yellow Leg, Black Breast and Golden Plover. The next open season is September 1 on Doves, and the next open season is November 10, which day opens the season on all upland Game It is unlawful to hunt, shoot or kill Squirrels in any County of this State except between the dates of November 10, and January 1, according to the Acts of 1920.

We earnestly solicit the co-operation of the public in securing their licenses promptly, thereby avoiding the usual rush on the Clerks of Courts when the regular hunting season opens.

GAIN AND LOSE IN LEGISLATURE

Washington County Gains; Dorchester Loses.

By the Federal census of Maryland counties, announced Wednesday, Washington county gains and Dorchester county loses one member of the House of Delegates.

The State Constitution provides that every county having a population of 55,000 and upward shall be entitled to six delegates and no more. The census returns show that Washington county has a population of 59,000, as compared with 49,617 of 10 years ago. The county, which lost an additional member at the last census taking, thus gains one member and is on equal terms with Baltimore and Allegany counties, each of which has six members. Under the terms of the Constitution these counties have reached the limit in their representation.

Dorchester country drops back to its former representation—three members—by the narrow margin of 15. The basis of population that calls for four members is a minimum of 28,000 The census figure for Dorchester is 27,895. The population of the county in 1910 was 28,669, prior to which year the county was represented in the House by three members.

The census returns for the several counties to date show a net gain of one in the House, making the total membership of that body 102. Harford's figures entitle that county to four members, the number prior to the census of 1910. Returns from counties whose population has not yet been announced by the Census Burea may make further changes in representation. Membership of the Senate is not based on population, but is definitely fixed by the State Constitution.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lee M. Study of Littlestown, Pa., and Edna E. Morris, of Taneytown.

William A. Myers and Anna Grace Fair, both of Taneytown.

Howard M. Marriott of Baltimore, and Grace Elizabeth Betts of Hagerstown.

Wilbur Zoland Lescalleet, and Myrtle Irene Ness, both of York, Pa.

ORPHANS' COURT

Monday August 2nd.—Alfred B. Mower, guardian of Ruth V. Mower, settled his fourth and final account.

The last will and testament of Mary E. Weaver, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Robert L. Weaver, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

John L. Reifsnider, administrator d. b. n. c. t. a. of Jesse Reifsnider, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the Court granted an order nisi.

The last will and testament of Caroline Strevig, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto John T. Strevig, who received warrant to appraise and returned an inventory of personal property.

Letters of guardianship of Llewellyn E., Archie S. and William H. Poole, infants, were granted unto Anna R. Mower.

Tuesday August 3rd —Susan A. and Edwood L. Murray, executors of Charles W. Murray, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the Court granted an order nisi.

Charles E. Houck, administrator of George A. Houck, deceased, reported sale of personal property.

Vernon H. Barnes and Guy H. Barnes, administrators of Anna M. Barnes, deceased, settled their first and final account.

Mary A. Spencer, guardian of Helen F. and Mary H. Spencer, infants, settled her third account.

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE

George M. McGuigan and wife, to George E. McGuigan, one acre, for $1

Sarah C. Harner and husband to George M. Study and wife, 67 acres, for $1.

Jacob M. Fitze and wife, to Paul L. Fitze, 72-1|2 acres for $5.

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Francis E. Shriner, to Union Bridge Business Men's Ass'n, 2 lots for $300.

Edwin E. Stoner et al., to Albert S. Mauk and wife, 146 acres for $5.

Paul L. Fitze and wife to M. Theodore Yeiser, 120 acres for $5.

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Ernest A. Zile and wife, to Charles Martin and wife, 5-1|2 acres for $10.

Sarah E. Houck to Samuel E. Keller and wife, 9400 sq. ft. for $5.

J. Francis Reese and wife, to Jesse H. Null and wife, 6362 sq. ft. for $10.

Lawrence R. Doyle and wife, to Joseph Formwalt, 244 acres for $10.

Joseph L. Haines, to Joseph Englarfi 1-1|2 acres for $10.

William C. Miller and wife, to Edward O. Weant, 1|3 acre for $10.

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Anna E. Beaver, to Ivan L. Hoff and wife, lot, for $5.

Vernon H. Barnes et al., to Guy H. Barnes, 10 acres for $5.

Henry J. Sell and wife, to Eva M. Franklin, 2 tracts for $10.

John Thomas Yingling and wife, to Agnes M. Shreeve, lot for $300.

John Jacob Basler and wife, to Joseph H. Hahn 7227 sq. ft. for $5.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Except the approval of the bond of Henry G. Gentzler, constable, of Manchester, whose sureties were Emory H. Berwager and Charles J. H. Ganter, nothing but routine business was transacted by the county commissioners at the meetings held Monday and Tuesday last.

ST. JOHN'S LAWN FETE

The committee decided last evening to continue the festival the last three days of the coming week on account of the inclement weather which has prevailed. The supper committee will serve lunches and coffee. The new organ tunes have attracted a great deal of attention and the various stands enjoyed good patronage the first days of the week.

PERSONAL LIBERTY

EDITORIAL

When one is deprived of anything which one has used and enjoyed for any length of time he or she is apt to declare that a personal liberty or privilege has been denied them. As a general rule the statement is true, but there are some exceptions.

Personal liberty consists of the right to do anything one may choose, provided the doing of which does not interfere with or violate the rights of others, including the government and society in general. Every citizen of a country, be it a monarchy, republic or whatnot, owes certain duties to it, included in which is the duty to defend it from enemies both within and without.

In the matter of the prohibition legislation recently enacted by Congress one hears persons declare that they have been robbed of their "personal liberty"; that in the matter of meat and drink one should not be dictated to, and that the Congress of the United States had no right to enact such legislation because it was a matter over which the states should have been allowed, through their police regulations, to manage.

As a general proposition, the enactment of sumptuary laws by a state or Congress, does not bring always the desired results, but when the intemperate use of any article calculated to injure the health of a citizen and thereby lessen his efficiency as a citizen of the state or nation; or the use of which makes one a menace to society, or is calculated to deprive one, or his or her family, of proper support and maintenance; or the use of which unfits one for military, naval or other services to the state or nation in times of distress, then it is the duty of the state or nation to enact laws which will prevent the manufacture and sale of such an article, be it what it may. After the prohibitive laws are enacted the aims desired are not immediately and fully realized because those who have acquired the habit of using the prohibited article will use every means possible to acquire it. Tastes cannot be changed by law but tastes and habits can by law be prevented from being acquired. The children of those who have acquired tastes and habits will know nothing about the prohibited article and will never think of it. No law intended to prevent crime or the use of any given article will accomplish all of the results desired, but the prohibition of any article will prevent the coming generation of men and women from acquiring a taste for it. No law can correct a confirmed thief, neither will a prohibition law remove entirely the acquired taste one may have for a certain article of drink.

When one speaks of his or her personal rights we wonder whether it is realized how few so called personal rights one possesses. The life of every citizen of a state or nation belongs to the government and, in order to come within the term of "good citizen" it is his duty to keep his body and mind in a condition to be able at a moment's call to render service to his government, even to bearing arms. If, therefore, the use of any article unfits a citizen to perform properly the duties required of him why should not the government prohibit the manufacture and sale of that particular article? Is it not the duty of the government to do so?

If one attempts to commit suicide it is the duty of the law officer to arrest him and of the court to punish him. Why? Because the life of every citizen belongs to the government and no one is allowed to destroy his life, either by the use of an instrument, a narcotic or strong drink. The use of certain instruments and drugs will produce death immediately, but the use of strong drink produces it gradually. If, therefore, the government has a right to punish one for attempting to commit suicide should it not have the right to prevent one from causing a slow death? If the above be true then what becomes of one's so called "personal liberty"?

During the late war men were forced to bear arms and go to a foreign country and offer up their lives. In the camps both here and abroad certain food was prescribed whether one liked it or not. If the enforced bearing of arms and the prohibition of certain food were not a violation of one's "personal liberty" why should the prohibition of any strong drink which has played havoc with men's lives and fortunes be called a violation of one's "personal liberties"? In matters pertaining to our government one's personal liberties are few but one's duties are numerous and exacting, even to the sacrifice of one's life.

During the World War the medical examiners found a large per cent of our young men, by reason of their habits, or those of their forbears, unfit for military or naval service. The consequence was those young men who, by reason of having led proper lives and having had proper forbears, were forced into the service, while those who had made themselves unfit were allowed to enjoy the comforts of home, friends and congenial occupations. Was such a condition fair? If the young men who remained at home had been made to quit doing the very things which were undermining their health they would have made a strong protest about the violation of their "personal rights".

The right of "life, liberty and the persuit of happiness" does not include the right to so conduct yourself that you will not be fit and proper whenever your government calls on you, or the right to so live that those whom the government charges you to support and maintain will suffer. "Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness", like everything these days, must be read with certain reservations.

To-day there exists much unrest among the people of every country, even here in America, because many imagine their "personal liberties" have been curtailed, when, as a matter of fact it is their unwarranted unwillingness to obey the constituted authority of the government. Many children are allowed to grow up free of restraint and when, after they become citizens, some law is enacted which curtails what they imagined was a "personal liberty" they refuse outright to obey it or grumble about being denied a "personal liberty".

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