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CITY AND COUNTY NEWS IN BRIEF

Social Happenings of Caroline As Reported to The Union.

Mr. Richard Bailey spent a few days in town this week.

Miss Sallie Rowe, of Washington is visiting Miss Lizzie Clark.

Miss Lena Mutchie of Greensboro, is the guest of Mrs. G. P. Steele.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hicks have been visiting Mrs. Emily DeFord.

Mrs. Mary Quackenboss spent the week end with Mrs. Allen Russell.

Miss Carrie Thawley of West Chester, Pa., is visiting town relatives.

Miss Hilda Swan is the guest of Miss Catherine Downes at Centreville.

Mrs. Maud Rudell and children of Rehoboth are guest of Mrs. Mabel Duffy.

Mrs. Thomas and daughter. Virgina have been visiting Baltimore friends.

Mi s Elsie Knotts of Baltimore is visiting her aunt, Mrs. F. J. Wright.

Misses Francis and Emily Johnson have been visiting friends in North Carolina.

Dr. Wells, of Baltimore spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Everngam.

Miss Elizabeth Cannon was the week end guest of Miss Sadie Marvel near Ridgely.

Mr. J. H. Nicholas made a business trip to Philadelphia and New York this week.

Prof. and Mrs. Thomas F. Smith are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Miss Maud Stewart of Baltimore is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Stewart.

Mrs. Harry Knotts and son, Harry of Hillsboro are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hobbs.

Mrs. Wayne Cawley and son have returned after spending a month with friends in Chicago.

Miss Mary Garey of Washington is spending sometime with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Garey.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Woodall Green, of Baltimore are guests of his parents, Mr. Mrs. Thomas R. Green.

Mrs. J. K. Stevens left on Sunday for Mount Rose, Pa., where her neice is quite ill with typhoid fever.

Miss Louise Yoeman of Washington is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Yoeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kern and two children of Aberdeen have been spending some time with his relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nuttle and children are visisting Mrs. Nuttle's brother, Mr. Benjamin Hopkins at Pocopson, Pa.

Mrs. Richard Carter and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair will soon occupy their home recently purchased at Northampton, Mass.

GRADE CROSSING ACCIDENTS

Three Accidents and Two Fatalities Within a Week.

Alex Mason, an aged colored man living near Downes, was the victim of a grade crossing accident on Wednesday. The team he was driving was struck by a train at Ridgely, the horse killed, the wagon demolished and Mason seriously injured.

This was the third grade crossing accident to occur almost within the boundary of Caroline county within a week. On Thursday of last week two accidents, resulting in two deaths occured at Williamsburg and Rhodesdale.

Killed By Train.

Mrs. Lelia Evans and her seven years old son were almost instantly killed by a train on the B. C. & A. Railway at a small crossing between Reid's Grove and Rhodesdale Thursday afternoon. Those who saw the accident say that the woman and child had crossed the tracks safely but became confused and stepped back in the path of the oncoming train. Both were thrown some distance by the engine and death was almost instantaneous.

Auto Struck by Train.

The automobile in which Mr. Frank Millard was crossing the tracks of the C. & S. Railroad, at Williamsburg Thursday was totally demolished by an extra freight train which struck it at the crossing. A part of the machine, with Mr. Millard clinging to it was carried a considerable distance down the track but when he was assisted from the wreckage it was found that he had sustained no injury other than a few scratches and bruises.

Provide For Registration.

In the emergency created by the granting of equal suffrage to women we Republicans of Maryland still insist that it is a duty of the Governor of Maryland to forthwith call a special session of the Legislature in order to make ample provision for the registration and voting of women. Senator Smith, Governor Ritchie and other democratic leaders should not yield to this demand for a special session with the hopes that they can give the women of our State a meagre half loaf when a full loaf is demanded. It is not sufficient merely to provide extra days of registration, although they are badly needed. The women of our State should demand and the Republican Party backs them in the demand for the repeal of the Declaration of Intention Act, the Affidavit of Removal Act, and the amendment of the Election Law so as to provide a fair, simple ballot. It is high time that the many absurd rules respecting the marking and the casting of the ballots should be abolished. Under the present restrictive system, imposed through democratic legislation, thousands of ballots are thrown out at every election and the real will of the people thereby denied.

GALEN L. TAIT,
Chairman, Republican State Central Committee of Maryland.

Miss Catherine Meeks, who has for several months been employed on the American Union has resigned her position and returned to the country to live with her parents.

WEEKLY PICKUPS HERE AND THERE

Scissors and Paste and Musings of Our Editorial Chief.

While Cox and other Democratic leaders are trying to claim the credit for the ratification of the Suffrage Amendment the Democrats in the Tennessee legislature are as busy as ever hatching schemes to kill the resolution in the Tennessee House of Repersentatives—Consistincy?

For Victory Medals.

Ex-Service Men desiring to make application for Victory Medals will please see Louis Dukes.

Two Wives at Elkton.

Maryland's Gretna Green has a bigamist under $1000 bail. Robert D. Carney, alias Wilford D. Carney, of East Orange, N. J. has been held by Justice Scotten on a charge of bigamy. Grace LaDue and Isabel Mayberry are the complainants.

Monument Here, Grave in France.

William C. Nields has erected a massive granite monument in Brookview cemetery, at Rising Sun, as memorial to his son Amos R. Nields who was killed in the fighting in Flanders. The soldier's body lies in the National cemetery in France.

Eighty-Eight Years, Wants Ballot.

Mrs. Mary P. Brown aged 88 years was the first woman in West Chester to appear before the tax receiver asking that she might pay a poll tax to be eligible to vote. The official told her he had no authority as yet to receive the money but would see that she had opportunity to pay in time and that she should go to the polls if he had to provide an automobile to convey her.

Planting More Wheat.

Farmers of Sussex county have already begun ploughing their ground in preparation for the sowing of wheat which will take place in a short while.

The wheat crop this year was such an enormous one, yielding in some cases more than 35 bushels per acre and the price realized per bushel being in many cases nearly $3, the farmers have decided that wheat is worth growing after all.

Orphans' Court Proceedings.

Judges West, Harper and Shawn occupied the bench at Tuesday's sitting.

In the absence of the Court, the Register of Wills, on application granted letters of administration on the personal estate of Charles E. Turner, deceased, to Della Turner. Bond filed and approved, notice to creditors ordered and J. D. Davis and Robert E. Smith were named as appraisers.

Mary L. Emerson, executrix of Ralph Waldo Emerson, deceased, filed an account of sales, a list of Sperate Debts and her first and final account of administration and distribution.

Nellie A. Marine and Thomas R. Marine, administrators of William R. Marine, deceased, filed an interest account and a second distribution, which was approved by the Court.

In the matter of the estate of Sarah E. Willoughby, deceased, Calvert C. Merriken, Trustee for the sale of the real estate, filed a second and final account of Trusteeship, audit and distribution, which was ratified and confirmed by the Court.

Adah E. Hignutt and Fred R. Owens, administrators c. t. a., of George W. Hignutt, deceased, filed releases from Adah E. Hignutt, Albert F. Hignutt, Clayton F. Hignutt, and Adah E. Hignutt, guardian of Harold G. Hignutt and Edwin W. Hignutt, infants and distributees.

James B. Todd, administrator of William E. Todd of W., deceased, filed releases from James B. Todd, Annie R. Chambers, Mary I. Chambers, Herman Andrew, Clarence Andrew, William E. Todd, Jr., Mildred Frampton, Lillian Bildstein and Luther Andrew, distributees.

In the matter of the Estate of William E. Todd, of W., James B. Todd, petitioner. was authorized, empowered and directed to deposit the funds in his hands as administrator, belonging to Morris Frampton minor in the Provident State Bank of Preston, Md., at interest, there to remain until said minor shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, or upon further orders from this Court.

TOMATO SITUATION TO DATE

Shows Little Improvement — Storms Cause Fruit to Decay.

The tomato crop of 1920 is a failure in more ways than one. Wheather conditions at the time the plants were in blossom made the setting of fruit light in the large majority of fields. The condition of the canned goods market, the scarcity of cans and shortage of coal made the prospect for the canners so gloomy that they were slow to buy even at prices that left no profit to growers. Finally the continued rains and hot suns blighted the vines, blistered the growing fruit and caused much of it to rot in the fields.

But Denton is doing her part in the conservation of the crop. While many canneries in other sections are idle, four of the five canneries in Denton are operating, some on stock contracted last spring at 50 cents, and others on fruit bought on the open market at prices ranging about 25 cents. The Whitby, Towers, Hardcastle and Redden canneries are those in operation. and while the prospect is that the profit will be small at best, and a probable loss faces those who are operating on contracted stock, many thousands of dollars will be saved to the growers and to the laboring classes by their operation.

Talbot farmers are declaring they will plow their tomatoes under unless they get 25 or 30 cents a basket for them, but so far the only farmer to plow his crop under is Griffin Merrick of near Trappe.

Tomatoes reached their lowest price in many years in Queen Anne's county this week when they were sold for 15 cents a basket. Many farmers are permitting hundreds of baskets to rot in the fields rather than pick them for market at prevailing prices. One farmer near Centreville allowed 1000 tons to go to waste in this fashion.

A report from Wicomico and Somerset counties says:

A number of farmers are plowing up their tomato patches this week not on account of not getting a fair price by the canners, but for the reason that the heavy rains for nearly two weeks has made the fruit not marketable.

' The hot sun has scorched the tomatoes, and when the farmer has them picked and taken to the canners they find that perhaps only one-half of their load of tomatoes are in conditions to be used.

"The farmers find it is now better to pick only the good fruit and then to plow up the remainder of their patches. The hired help will not sort the tomatoes properly and the farmers concluded to plow up their ground and get the fertilizing benefit of the tomatoes."

Reports received from three-fourths of Sussex county, Delaware show that no farmers have plowed up tomatoes. Many are threaening to do so. The fruit rottening, canners offer 15 cents a basket, and sales are few.

60 Per Cent Gain in 2 Months.

When we bought the American Union, July 1st, we sent out a prospectus guaranteeing our patrons an average circulation for the period, July 1st to Dec. 31, exceeding 1000.

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Farm Hospitality.

Mrs. Jennie Gravatte and daughter Lillian of Wilmington have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Whitley Dill for for some time. Miss Greavatte was quite sick when she arrived but has had a rapid recovery and is going away well. Mother and daughter have had a splendid visit, plenty of fresh air and good things to eat. They will return to their city home on Monday.

Chas. F. Stevenson of Harrington spent Sunday at the Dill home and says he greatly enjoyed the old fashioned farm dinner with all the usual trimmings. Mr. Mason of Denton also shared the hospitality of the Dill home on Sunday.

It is fully a fortnight since some admiral of the United States navy took a fall out of the Honorable Josephus Orangeblossom Daniels. Just the natural lull of midsummer dulness.

OUR STATE AND THE PENINSULA

The Weekly Chronicle of Passing Events of Interest.

The breaking of an axle on a freight car at Wyoming last Tuesday caused a wreck that demolished several cars, tore up 300 feet of track, damaged the station and blocked the Delaware road several hours.

Mr. Clarence Wright of Federalsburg was married Wednesday to Miss Carlotte Robison of Philadelphia. The ceremony was solomized at Chester Avenue Baptist Church, Philadelphia, by Rev. F. G. Eland. Mr. and Mrs. Wright will make their home in Federalsburg.

FEDERALSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Corkron have been entertaining Rev. and Mrs. Frank White and daughter of Ridgeley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Melvin of Philadelphia have been spending some time here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. August Crole.

Mrs. George W. Buckley and daughter Elizabeth have returned from several days visit at Chester. They were accompanied by Mary and Bernice Buckley and Hurbert Pickley who will spend some time here as guests at the Buckley home.

Miss Pearl Callahan and Mr. Philip H Gries of New York, who have been guests of Miss Callahan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Callahan, have returned home.

Rev. and Mrs. J. N. Nichols are entertaining Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Schall of Philadelphia and Miss Anna Troll of Elizabeth, New Jersey; at Christ M. P. Parsonage.

After a extended wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs Novak have returned to Federalsburg where they will make their home. They were accompanied from Baltimore by Miss Edna Novak who will be their gnest for some time.

Mrs. Marian Longracre, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dill, Mr. Maurice Gordon and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bradley were among those from Federalsburg who spent the week-ene at Ocean City.

Rev. H. S. Loomis and sons Alfred and Francis are guest of Mrs. Charles Hackett.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown have returned from a protracted visit with friends at Princess Anne.

Mrs. Lena M. Jefferson has been entertaining Mrs. Mrs Ethel Cockran of Baltimore.

Mrs. Amelia Simpson and Miss Elsie Roe have returned to their homes in Greeneboro, after a weeks visit with Mrs. J. R. Charles.

Mr. E. C. Orr has been in Federalsburg for several days looking up old friends. Mr. Orr left here eight years ago and has been making his home in Ohio.

The last meeting of the Federal Community Club, at the home of Mrs. Helen MacMahan was attended by nineteen members and seventeen visitors The Club's annual lawn picnic was held last Friday evening at Mrs. Greensbury Griffith's. The gathering was entertained by reading by Miss Hilda Covey and a short talk on suffrage by Mrs. Towers of New York City.

STRIKING PHRASES FROM HARDING'S PEACE LEAGUE ADDRESS.

"I rejoice that America is still free and independent and in a position of self reliance and holds to the right of self determination."

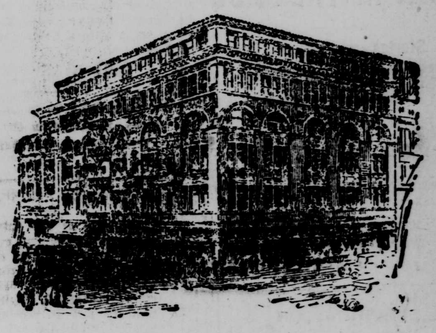
"Time was when an American did not hesitate to proclaim himself a patriot. To do so now, I am well aware, is sometimes to invite the sneers of cynicism."

"We needed only the outbreak of the war between Poland and Russia to make us realize at least one of the things which, in the words of Secretary Lansing, we would have been 'let in for,' but for the restraining hand of the senate."

"We know now that the league constituted at Versailles is utterly impotent as a preventive of wars. It is so obviously impotent that it has not even been tried. It could not survive a single test. The original league, mistakenly conceived and unreasonably insisted upon, has undoubtedly passed beyond the possibility of restoration. The maturer judgment of the world will be that it deserved to pass."

A Toast: "Wilson—That's All"

Grant B. Hamilton of "Judge."



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