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CITY AND COUNTY NEWS IN BRIEF

Social Happenings of Caroline As Reported to The Union.

Rev. Crouse and wife, of Milton, Del. visited town relatives this week.

Mr. Harry Ramsdell of Havre de Grace, has been visiting relatives in town.

Misses Wilfred and Mary Deweese returned to Goucher College this week.

Miss Elizabeth Dukes returned, today, to her school near Philadelphia. Pa.

Mrs. John Howard, who was paralized a few weeks ago, is slowly improving.

Miss Hilda Cade, a teacher in the Denton Primary School, has been on the sick list.

Mrs. H. Earle Smith is visiting her sister, Mrs. William D. Uhler, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Charles French, of Philadelphia, was a weed-end guest of Mr. John L. Everngam.

Mrs. Marion Sherwood of Wilmington is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bryant.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith and daughter Mrs. Orie Sapp of Harrington visited friends in town this week.

Mr. Isaac Dukes who was operated on at the Medsthest Hospital last Tuesday is slowly improving.

Mrs. O. M. Hignutt has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. James W. Thawley, of Hillsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Wild, of Washington has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Young here this week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Penwell who spent the summer with her sisters here, has returned to Patterson, N. J.

Mrs. Dela Anthony entertained a few friends at dinner on Thursday evening in honor of her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Cooper and daughter, Lucile, and Miss Esther Straughn, spent the week-end at Rehoboth.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodall Green, of Baltimore, spent the week-end with the formers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Green.

EX-KAISER IS PLAYING "EMPEROR" AT DOORN

Surrounds Himself With Miniature Court and Keeps Close to "Cage."

The former German emperor, William, while professing a desire to lead at Doorn the quiet life of a country gentleman, has nevertheless created a little court around him—somewhat larger than that which he had at Amerongen, and Dutch newspapers have already begun calling Doorn "The Little Potsdam."

The allies' demands upon Holland to guard the former emperor closely have made it impossible for William to mingle with the Dutch country gentry who have estates about Doorn and the house where he is said to expect to spend his remaining days is just like a little bit of Germany.

Strict military order prevails outside the House of Doorn, where passersby must not be too curious. Within the discipline is Prussian. William's only associates are German. His entire staff, including approximately forty servants, are German, with one exception—the village barber, a Dutchman, is called in now and then to trim his hair or beard.

When at Amerongen, William went frequently to Doorn by automobile, but now he is seldom seen outside the wire fence of his estate, which villagers call his "forty hectare cage." Forty hectares are about 80 acres.

The few times he has been out, he has paid visits to his former host, Count Bentinck, at Amerongen. Now and then, the former crown prince or others of William's sons have been permitted to visit the exile, largely because of the illness of their mother, but from day to day William seldom sees any new faces—only his daily associates.

John Knew.

The seventh grade was studying various forms of modern architecture. They, following the teacher's instructions, had cut from magazines pretty houses and were mounting them, with some details about their cost, place best suited for their construction, etc. John brought his up to the teacher. "How much would this cost?" he asked.

"About $8,000," she answered.

Now John knew what class of people was making the money, so he immediately returned: "Well, then, I'd better say it is suitable for the country because nobody but a farmer would have enough money to build a house like that."

D'Annunzio has changed his mind and announces that he will not fly from Italy to the United States. Poor Italy. This certainly is the season of her great disappointments.

"Thine Is the Glory"

This painting, which hangs in National Headquarters of the American Red Cross, Washington, depicts the homage of America's fighting men to American womanhood as mobilized for service in the World War by this organization. It is the collaborative scientific and art creation of Major Joseph Gray Kitchell, late of the General Staff, U. S. A., and F. Luis Mora, of the New York School of Art. The face of the central figure is a composite of the features of a thousand Red Cross workers selected for the purpose.

His by Adoption

Hall in the Chicago Daily News

WEEKLY PICKUPS HERE AND THERE

Scissors and Paste and Musings of Our Editorial Chief.

Miss Davis of Oxford is now a teacher at the Denton High School.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Stephens, and Miss May Fisher attended the W. C. T. U. convention at Ocean City, this week.

Mrs. Allie Cooper and little daughter Anna are visiting Mrs. Cooper's parents Mr. and Mrs. Owen Blades, of Choptank.

Master Eldridge Hirs and his sister Katherine, entertained their little friends at a birthday party last Saturday afternoon.

Miss Adeline Fisher who is connected with the Junior Chautauqua left last week to continue her course in the New England States.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Everngam entertained several friends at dinner Wednesday evening, the occasion being the latters birthday.

Three More Days for Registration.

There remain only three more days for registration in Maryland. Tuesday October 5, Saturday October 9 and Tuesday October 12 are the days set for registration. The hours for the sitting of registers is changed to 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.

October 19 will be revision day and is not a day for registration. The work accomplished last Tuesday was a good beginning but still leaves a very large number of qualified voters to be registered, hence it will be well for those who have not registered to attend to the matter on the first registration date that it is possible for them to do so.

SEASONS HAVE NOT CHANGED

Records Show That Weather and Climate Are the Same Today as They Were Long Ago.

"Weather and climate have not changed from the time of the Pilgrims down to the present day," are the closing words of an article by Prof. Robert de C. Ward of Harvard university, on "The Snowfall of the United States," in the Scientific Monthly.

That this is so is proved by a comparison of present-day conditions with those so accurately recorded by the early settlers of New England. "There are accounts of great cold; of deep snows; of violent winter storms. There are also many descriptions of very mild and open winters. Thus, we read of December and January resembling May and June; of flowers growing in the woods in midwinter; of 'so little snowfall as scarcely to give opportunity for enjoying the music of the sleigh bells;' of 'green Christmases;' of 'winter turned into summer;' of the 'ground bare for the most part;' of little ice; of crocuses up, of wild violets in bloom, and of lilacs 'throwing out their leaves' in January."

Be Master of Yourself.

To be able to keep cool when all the world goes mad shows mental grasp and genuine bigness. This grows with the years. It becomes a part of the nature. Newly dubbed aristocracies and the victims of sudden wealth usually betray their plebeian origin by their cultivated show of authority. Where the blood tells it rises with might to occasions, but seldom allows itself to get ruffled without occasion. And what a spectacle one can make of himself by getting all stewed about nothing or losing his temper on some little thing that approximates the zero mark. The really big character is slow to anger and irritates little dubs by his superior calm control. At the same time the exhibition of mastery challenges the secret admiration of all.

Comparatively a Novice.

A high school student wanted to take military training and reported to the sergeant in charge. The student had a slight impediment in his speech. "Have you ever had any drill?" the sergeant asked. "N-n-not any, except a M-m-m-maypole dance!" he said.

Hear Not, But See.

A newly-married couple, who are deaf, and are trying housekeeping without a servant, have devised an ingenious substitute for a door bell. When a caller presses the electric button all the lights in the house flash up, and his presence is made known.

Wild Cinnamon.

Although the cultivation of cinnamon in Indo-China is increasing, most of the product comes from a wild shrub. When a native discovers a cinnamon tree he must make a declaration before the local administration, which cuts down the tree.

Chess vs. Education.

There is also the Moslem savage (in Egypt) who, in spite of his being totally illiterate, will take on the more thoughtful type of Cambridge-bred subaltern at chess and beat him.—London Spectator.

WILL ON WAX NEWEST STUNT TO BEAT FRAUDS

Lawyer Makes Testament on Talking Machine and Files It for Record.

What he says he believed to be a "fraud-proof" will has been made and filed in the office of the clerk of Polk county, Iowa, by Theodore Mantz, a Des Moines lawyer. Mr. Mantz dictated his will into a talking machine, and had it recorded in wax.

At the end of the dictation, C. H. Miller, a lawyer, and H. W. Brandt, a court reporter, testified into the machine they were witnesses to the "making" of the will, and spelled their names out in full as the witnesses. The record then was put on a machine and reproduced the voices. Being pronounced correct by Mr. Mantz, he took it to the clerk's office, had the box containing it sealed in wax and filed.

Mr. Mantz has instructed Mrs. Mantz to take the case to the highest court of the country if the validity of the will should be questioned.

The will on a record is believed by its maker to be the first of its kind in the country. Lawyers say a possible objection to wills on talking machine records is an Iowa statute which says conveyances of property worth more than $200 must be in writing. Mantz says he will go before the next session of the Iowa legislature and endeavor to get a bill through which will legalize spoken wills when recorded as his is.

Mantz says he believes the future will see greater uses of talking machines and records, and in his opinion it would be much more difficult to "tamper with" a spoken will than a written one.

WHOLE TOWN ON SPREE

Railroad Wreck Turned Loose 180,000 Gallons of Wine at Defiance, Ia.

The town of Defiance, Ia., is recovering from a two-day spree which resulted from the wrecking, in the heart of the town, of two oil tank cars filled with California wine. Each car was marked "90,000 gallons capacity," and each was filled to capacity. It was part of the government stock of port wine being moved from San Francisco to New York.

Both cars were smashed so badly that they began leaking, and the wine poured from half a dozen spread seams and broken rivet holes. The bucket brigade gathered, and tin cups, dishpans and wash tubs were pressed into service. When the home supply of wine-holding utensils gave out, people rushed to the stores to buy more, but the stores were closed. The clerks were at the wreck.

After two days of liberal potations, Defiance awoke with that "brown taste" in the mouth. The tank cars are still at the station, but their interiors are as dry as Sahara.

BULL CHARGED MOTOR

Machine Badly Bent in a Meeting on Canadian Road.

George Thibault, proprietor of the summer hotel at Outlet, a village a few miles from Picton, Can., was driving his car toward home recently when he chanced to meet a herd of cattle. The owner of the motor car slowed down to allow the animals to pass without undue excitement. All went well till he met the leader of this large bovine family, a splendid young roan bull. The latter resented the presence of the mechanical contrivance bearing down through the herd on low gear.

Lowering his massive head, he charged. The result was a few bruises to the animal, a twisted axle, a badly bent fender and a smashed headlight to the unfortunate motor. As Mr. Thibault inspected the damage he remarked emphatically: "I certainly admired his pluck, but he showed poor judgment."

FIGHTER TOOK LAST COUNT

"Fightin' Wop" Shot Self When Beaten in Game of Life.

Beaten in the big battle of life, Domenico Santoro, known to Chicago ring followers as Monty Tyler, the "fightin' wop," bored a neat hole through his forehead with a cheap little revolver after writing a note to his mother.

Monty Tyler, while in his prime, caused fight fans to marvel at the way he could absorb punishment and many a battle royal did he give Abe Attell and Freddie Weeks while acting as their sparring partner.

A year ago the awful beatings taken by Santoro began to become manifest when he suffered a nervous breakdown. He was 33 years old and said he felt like 83. He quit the stage where he was doing a skit with his wife. His bank roll disappeared and a few days ago he voluntarily took the "last count."

MILK TO EXTINGUISH FIRE

Ranch Hands Formed Bucket Brigade and Threw Milk on Blaze.

A blaze on the roof of the dwelling on the Cornwall ranch, near Gunnison, Col., was extinguished at a cost of $8. 20 gallons of milk, worth ten cents a quart, being thrown on the fire.

The blaze was discovered just as the ranch hands had finished milking and, as the nearest water was some distance away, the hands formed a bucket brigade and threw the milk on the fire.

OUR STATE AND THE PENINSULA

The Weekly Chronicle of Passing Events of Interest.

The Annual Sunday School Convention of Talbot county will conven in the Baptist Church at Easton today. Russell Davis, of Dorchester, county, will address the convention on Sunday School work. Other speakers will be Dr. Abner B. Brown, General Secretary of Maryland Sunday School Association and Dr. E. D. Stone pastor of Hampden M. P. Church, Baltimore. The Hall-Mack Company of Philadelphia will have charge of the convention music.

John M. Pettyjohn and Wife Held in $1,500 Bail Each for Robbing the Sussex Co. Del., Almshouse

John M. Pettyjohn and his wife were taken before a magistrate and each of them held in $1,500 bail for the October term of court. He was Overseer of the Poor and his wife Matron—two fine plums. They were caught red-handed with a part of the goods they had purloined from the Sussex County Almshouse. They stole hogs, wheat, corn, eggs, fowls of all kinds, and God knows what else they didn't steal while they were overseer and matron.

David J. Reinhardt, the State's Attorney, went to Georgetown in person and had them held to bail for their appearance at court.

Pettyjohn and his wife also abused the inmates of the institution shamefully—beating and cuffing them like dumb driven cattle.

NOTE—This same brute, Pettyjohn and his wife three or four years ago broke into my room and stole a trunk from me that had been given me by Mrs. Jones, of Wilmington, Delaware, for my kindness to her father in his death sickness. At the time this theft occurred I called the attention of Hon. H. C. Conrad, resident Judge, to the letter I had received from Mrs. Jones donating the trunk and its contents to me, and he advised me to proceed the easiest way to get the trunk. The thief had taken it to the main building, and I never got it back. He should be sent to the workhouse for ten years and whipped with a hundred lashes.

CHAS. F. STEVENSON,
Harrington, Delaware.

Affluence.

"I met Professor Diggs on the street just now and he was so excited he hardly recognized me. He was mumbling about a bank account, a new dress for Maggie, a set of reference books he'd been wanting 20 years and other incomprehensible matters. I thought at first he was crazy."

"Oh, don't feel alarmed about the professor. He has just had a stroke of good fortune and feels like a millionaire."

"The university has raised his salary to $1,800 a year, practically equivalent to the wages paid the janitor who sweeps the hallway."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

His Signal Whistle.

A certain college lad called frequently on his sweetheart and instead of knocking gave a signal whistle of a few musical notes.

Approaching her house one night, two of us girls noticed a light in her room and in jest gave the familiar signal and dropped on all fours and crawled more rapidly than gracefully across the lawn into the shadow—when it was our horror and embarrassment to find the young man waiting there and viewing our antics with evident enjoyment!

To add to our humiliation, though we had often heard him whistle, we had never met him before.—Exchange.

Plants That Cause Annoyance.

Quite a number of plants are possessed of short hairs on their stems or leaves, which will cause a rash to break out upon sensitive skins. One such is the primula obconica, which is one of the commonest pot plants in greenhouse or on window sill. Many who work in conservatories or glass houses often find that hyacinths cause severe eye trouble. The idea is that the pollen is the irritating cause.—Boys' Life.

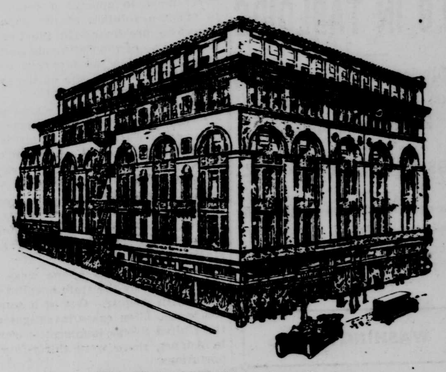
Using a Wrench.

A monkey-wrench should never be drawn backward from the jaws, as this movement is likely to bend the bar. The wrench should always be pulled toward the jaws.

Of course, it is necessary to have horses on the farm—to pull in the tractors when the latter stall.

If exchange goes a bit lower it may be found to be more convenient to deal in German marks by the litre.

Flowers will soon be so cheap that the young man may need to be admonished to "say it with diamonds."



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