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GRAND JURY REPORT

Report of the Grand Jury for the October term of court was made yesterday and reads as follows:

To the Honorable Judges of the Circuit Court of Caroline County, State of Maryland.

The grand inquest of the State of Maryland for Caroline County, having concluded its labors, most respectfully begs leave to submit its report.

We have been in session three days, examined twenty-eight witnesses, made three presentments and found three bills of indictment.

It has been our purpose to inquire into the matter of law observance in the various sections of the county since the term of our court held in April of the present year, and we are gratified to report that, despite the wave of lawlessness and crime which has been sweeping over our country since the world war, there have been no serious violations of law nor have there been any unusual demonstrations of lawlessness.

Our inquiries during these three days convince us that many of the reports on violations of our laws and more especially as they affect the provisions of the 18th amendment to our Federal Constitution, are grossly exaggerated. We are convinced that drunkenness and its attendant evils, within the borders of this county at least, are on the decrease. Several of our constables and justices of the peace feel that all the obligation for the enforcement of laws relating to prohibition of the liquor traffic rests with the Federal agents, but our local option law for Caroline County has not been repealed and its enforcement is a duty of our local officers. It is fundamental to general law observance that those into whose hands has been placed the administration of our laws should themselves keep the laws they are sworn to see that others observe. During this session of court a Justice of the Peace from the fifth district was charged with law violation. If such officials are guilty of drunkenness and gambling it will breed disrespect for law and constituted authority. So long as such persons are appointed to positions of civil authority will it be difficult to bring about a strict observance of law.

The States Attorney has rendered every possible aid to this jury and his counsel has been most helpful. Acting on his advice, and with your permission, we wish to urge on all justices of the peace to forward to the Circuit Court all papers to be forwarded to them at least ten days before Court convenes which the law required. When those papers reach the Clerk one or two days only before Court begins, it works a hardship on the States Attorney and delays the work of this body.

A committee of three appointed to inspect the jail reported that there were eight prisoners—6 men and 2 women; sanitary conditions good; building well heated and the entire property in good condition.

The committee of three named to visit Denton bridge.

It was found that the Alms House is kept in good condition, the number of inmates nineteen and a recommendation that a five-year-old child be placed in a home.

The Denton bridge, baring certain needed small repairs, is in a satisfactory condition.

We append detailed reports from these several committees as supplementary to this report.

Respectfully submitted,
M. BATES STEPHENS, Foreman
HARRY S. DAILEY, Secretary
October 4th, 1922.

True Copy
Test: GEO. A. DEAKYNE, Clerk

Report of the Alms House

Number of inmates: 8 colored women, 1 colored child, 4 colored men, 5 white men, 1 white woman. All well kept and clothed. Building in good sanitary condition.

Stock: 4 mules and 2 horses in good condition. Also 7 cows in good condition. 9 head of fattening hogs, about 300 chicken, 40 turkeys. 35 acres of corn good crop, fodder cut and shocked, ground plowed and practically ready for seeding wheat, and phosphate in barn also enough wheat in barn for their own use.

We recommend that this five-year-old child be placed in a home.

Fred E. Covey, E. A. Cole, J. N. White, Wm. F. Rieck.

Denton Bridge

Tops of piling rotted off above the water and these should be replaced. The footway of the bridge has several rotten boards which should be replaced with new material.

One globe of the lights is broken and should be replaced.

There seems to be need of adjusting the draw to prevent the griping now present.

Phares G. Crouse, Harry T. Wood, J. H. Holt.

H. L. COOPER NEW INSURANCE COM.

Former State Senator Succeeds Keating; to be Reappointed in Jan. Says Ritchie

TAKES OFFICE AT ONCE

Harvey L. Cooper, of Denton, former State Senator from Caroline Co. was sworn in as State Insurance Commissioner by Governor Ritchie, Friday afternoon. He had been appointed by the Board of Public Works earlier in the day. Mr. Cooper will take office at once.

Mr. Cooper succeeds Thomas J. Keating of Queen Anne county, who on Monday was appointed by the Governor to the post of associate judge od the Second Judicial Circuit. The judgeship was left vacant by the death of Philemon B. Hooper.

Mr. Cooper's tenure of office extends only to January 1, when the reorganization law becomes effective. The Governor said he would reappoint Mr. Cooper at the time. The Insurance Commissioner's term will extend to May, 1924, like the terms of other office-holders appointed under the reorganization law. Appointments then will be in the hands of the incoming Governor and will be for four-year terms.

Mr. Keating and Wm. W. Beck, chairman of the State Tax Commission, witnessed the swearing in of Mr. Cooper.

LINEN SHOWER FOR MISS HELEN ROE

Miss Lydia Hughes entertained at bridge Wednesday afternoon, at her home on 6th street, in honor of Miss Helen Roe, whose marriage to Mr. Jonathan L. Hughes will occur on October 14th. A linen shower for the bride-to-be was a feature of the afternoon, and the gifts were both many and beautiful. Late in the afternoon delicious refreshments were served, chicken salad, olives, Maryland biscuit, coffee, brick ice cream, cake, mints and nuts. Pink dahlias were used for decoration and pink favors were presented the guests.

The guests included Mrs. Keene Saulsbury of Greensboro, Mrs. Coble of Easton, Mrs. W. S. Denny of Baltimore, Mrs. Harry Knotts of Queen Anne, Mrs. D. O. George, Mrs. Caleb Winslow, Mrs. Stanley Deakyne, Mrs. Roland Chaffinch, Mrs. Owen Knotts, Mrs. Edwin Breeding, Mrs. Walter Semlow, Mrs. Calvert Merriken, Miss Helen Roe, Miss Stephanie Ford, Miss Ella Carter, Miss Elizabeth Pastorfield, and Miss Lydia Hughes, all of Denton.

GIANTS WIN FIRST GAME WORLD SERIES

Wednesday was the first game of the worlds series of aseball, which is being played this year between the two New York teams at the Polo Grounds, New York City. The Giants won yesterday 3 to 2, scoring only in the last time at bat.

Mr. William Wolf, battery expert at the Den-Mar Mobile Company received the returns over his radio outfit every half inning, the results were then posted in Mr. Emory Kimmey's barber shop window.

Weather conditions were fine yesterday for the radio and the results were heard very plainly.. Quite a few enthusiastic fans were gathered in the radio room or across the street from the barber shop, watching the returns.

The score by innings was as follows:

Yanks	0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0 0	—2
Giants	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 x	—3

The Second Game

The game was called promptly at 2 p. m. and the score by innings up to the time this paper was printed was:

Giants	3 0 0 0	—3
Yanks	1 0 0 1	—2

Another Big Dance

Another big dance will be held at Hignutt's Park, Williston, next Thursday evening, when Bob Arthur's orchestra and his Jolly Ramblers will furnish the music.

It was announced in last week's paper that the dance last Thursday was to be the last for the season. This was in error, and should have read that it was the last dance for Benny's Talbot Five at the park.

Other dances will be announced from time to time. The management is endeavoring to arrange for one big dance each week.

Examiners of the Jail

Prisoners: 2 women, 6 men. Sanitary conditions good. Heating plant good. Condition of the jail good order.

Henry W. Hughes, Chas. M. Walker, Levi Voshell, Jr.

BETTER HOMES FOR AMERICA

By ELIZABETH A. PERKINS

Sometime ago the Delineator sent this telegram to every Governor in the United States, "Will you cooperate with The Delineator in a Better Homes Campaign by proclaiming in your state second week of October Better Homes Week? Earnestly hope your State will be represented in this important movement."

The September number of the Delineator says, "Within a few days over half the governors had wired The Delineator that their states stood behind better homes for America.

Governor McGray telegraphed that Indianna had just completed a successful Better Homes Exposition which had increased enthusiasm and greatly influenced the trend for better homes. Governor Allen of Kansas wrote "I am going to help you in any way I can on the Better Homes Campaign."

Herbert Hoover Secretary of Commerce, who is supporting this campaign has prepared a financial primer on, "How to own Your Own Home". which is a part of the data available for the committees.

Parts of Ohio also have successfuly conducted a Better Homes Week. In Dayton, the exhibition was in the hands of the department of education, the women's club and the board of trade."

The Delineator offers to be a bureau of information for any county seat undertaking this work.

For some years, many thoughful people have been fostering the idea of better homes for America. Own your own home expositions have been held in some of our large cities, own your own home posters have been given prominence in thrift campaign. But no such concerted national effort for better homes in America has been put forward, as the one now advanced for the second week in October by The Delineator.

The national director of the Department of Child welfare, Woman's Christian Temperance Union heartily cooperates in this movement for better homes. Through the Union Signal, the national official organ, through the state W. C. T. U. papers, every W. C. T. U. superintendend of the department of child welfare, state county and local has been asked to cooperate in the carrying out of plans for better homes week, and if necessary to locally initiate the campaign.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union always has stood for better homes. Better homes is the great purpose of the organization, and its ultimate objective is that the whole world may be made a better home.

The Americanization department of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union in its correspondence course of study, has devoted one lesson to housing, this lesson having been prepared by the director of the department of Child Welfare.

Better homes mean better housing conditions, better sanitation, more sunshine, more fresh air, easier conditions, for the housewife, happier healtheir children, more books, better pictures, more home spirit, more spiritural education.

This paper on better homes for America, which goes out as one of our special papers for October study, is to be a "thought provoker" on this great topic; a spur to own your own home campaign; an incentive to the study of housing laws and conditions in your community; a bit of inspiration to the mother to simplify and yet glorify the home, The thought of home sweet home touches a responsive chord in the heart of every woman.

There is a house shortage in Amerriica. There are not only thousands of improperly built, improperly equipped houses-there is not only a rental price above the ablity of the tenant to pay, but a great shortage in the number of houses, America is short a million homes.

The house shortage a few years ago very serious even at that time, will alarmingly increase each year, owing to the increase of population as well as number of marriages, unless by some great means, impetus is given to the house building.

The housing problem is a great problem. Ten years ago Detroit., Michigan, was a city of one half million people; today, it contains one million, a gain in a decade of 113 per cent. Many other cities have simlar situations of large increase in population.

The housing problem is a problem in agricultural states. Not only do we find this problem of a housing shortage in large cities, but in the great agricultural states, at the Nat. Housing Convention held in Bridgeport Conn. in 1921, Edwin H. Sands, Housing Commissioner, Des Moines, Ia., told of his work in carring the gospel of Better Housing through that agricultural state; housing shortage in that state having been estimated at fifty thousand.

The housing problem is found in mill villages and mining communities where frequently conditions are found to be as bad as in large cities. For poor housing consists in housing families in rooms too few in number and too small in size in proportion to number of inmates; rooms dark, poorly ventilated; houses without proper plumbing equipment, ramshackle dwellings unfit for human habitation

The housing problem is found on western prairies, where, there are many homes in which in winter fire is kept in one room only, in which all members of the family live, these houses having no indoor toilet or water; in sections where a district nurse is employed she finds conditions equally burdensome and as disheartening as those in large cities. Therefore, we find that the housing problem is everywhere.

Inteligent study of etter homes for America, involves surveys and knowledge of housing conditions just where you are in your community.

Is your city having a building boom? What are the state and local building laws? What are the laws, regarding cubic space per occupant, air shafts, toilets, windows etc?

What of houses already erected; do they conform to present laws? Though your community is a small one, are there any sections or houses, which are a menace to both health and moral life?

No better form of thrift, no greater blessing can be promulgated to young people just starting the home life, than to build your own home. The joy of planning the systematic savings necessary to make the payments, the giving up of many useless and for the-moment pleasures makes the build your own home a great factor in the sweetness and usefulness of their entire future.

I suppose from the time of Eve it has been woman's joy to plan a home. Dont you suppose that Eve, even with just outdoor housekeeping, considered seriously and happily just which tree had the most shade, which made the best sitting room, and surley she studied which tree furnished the dining-room. So it is today. The young wife, wants no dark rooms, but sun porches, sun rooms, the great living room with its fire-place, the light kitchen.

And such joy in home furnishing, today, we do not want elaborate furnishings, heavy furnishings, no, not even expensive furnishings. We are fortunate that today, light and pretty things are considered the best. Think of our mothers and grandmothers, who every year, had to spend days and even weeks housecleaning. Who had to get down on hands and knees, close to the sidewalls, and take out tacks and yet more tacks before the carpet could be put out on the line for cleaning; then the carpet had to be beaton and beaten and beaten again before it could be laid on the floor and the tacks pounded in and the fingers pounded black and blue.

Today we have many housekeeping helps, we have much available information on housekeeping and home making. Few women realize the number of pamphlets issued by our Government, which bear directly upon home helps and house-keeping helps. These bulletins and pamphlets are ours for the asking.

We have mircale workers in our homes the greatest of all being perhaps electricity. Our magazines are filled with helps for the housewife. The Delineator has published a wonderful series on Watch Your Steps in the Nursery, In the Kitchen, In the Dinning Room.

We are finding that the real joy and peace of a home, is not so much because of all things that are in it, but because so much has been left out; that if we would have peace and joy we must not allow an accumulation or clutter, that we must not keep things forever in our rooms simply because ten or fifteen years ago we bought them or they were given to us.

And we sit on them simplfied, yet glorified quiet rooms, just naturally we want to clear some of the rubbish out of our brains too.

If we had space we like to consider the nursery, the room for little son, and the room for little daughter. All these will be taken up in later papers. Blessed are the homes where there are little babies, and little sons and daughters to be cared for.

So may we have more home spirit, may we have in the home more books, better pictures, more spitural education. May we study more and more how to care for the young life; in the home every action is important and may be blessed. The meal hours ought to be precious coming-together hours; the Sunday should be really family day.

May America's young men and women study the great profession of Motherhood, and of home-making. In all our ways may we acknowledge the Lord and he will direct our paths.

ONLY THREE INDICTMENTS FOUND

October term of the Caroline County Circuit Court convened Monday morning with Chief Justice William H. Adkins and Associate Judge Thomas J. Keating on the bench.

Judge Keating was appointed last week to fill the unexired term of Judge Philemon B. Hopper, who died last month.

Only three indictments were found by the Grand Jury and sentences were imposed as follows:

Ernest Young, larceny, 6 months in the house of correction.

Theodore F. Sountag, forgery, 11 months in the county jail.

Ernest Pierce vs. Mildred Brown, Pierce sentenced to pay $1 a month to the child of the girl until the child is 12 years of age.

Eastern Shore Automobile Company vs. J. M. Barry case which was removed from the Talbot county court, is being heard today.

In the case of Cable Excavator Company vs. S. Ralph Andrews et al., removed from Cecil county will be heard next Monday.

TRIBUTE TO JUDGE

Judge Philemon Blake Hopper was born in Centerville, Queen Anne County, Maryland, March 25th. 1853, and died in the town where he was born on Thursday, the fourteenth day of September, 1922, having rounded out an active and useful life of nearly three score and ten years with an ever increasing degree of respect and confidence of all the people with whom he came in contact, socially, professionally and officially. Judge Hopper's father and grandfather were lawyers and the latter was at one time a Judge in the Second Judicial Circuit. It was but natural, therefore, that the son and grandson should select from among the honorable professions the profession of law for his life work, and after having been prepared educationally by attending Centerville Academy, St. John's College and Western Maryland College, from the latter of which he graduated in 1874, he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1878. Judge Hopper's career as a lawyer, among his own people was a marked success and in 1883 the people of his native county elected him to the office of States Attorney and, in recognition of the ability and satisfaction with which he discharged the duties of the office, re-elected him in 1887 and for a third successive term in 1891.

Judge Hopper was appointed an Associate Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit by Governor Warfield on August 23d, 1907, and elected for a full term, although, by appointment and election he served as Judge of this Circuit slightly more than fifteen years.

Judge Hopper was thoroughly grounded in the principals of the comlaw and understood, in a marked degree, the rules of construction of the Statute law and kept well up with the decisions of the courts of last resort of his own and other states. As a Judge at Nisi Prius, he labored under an embarrassing handicap in that his hearing was defective, but, once he understood the proposition submitted, he grasped the very marrow of the question quickly and applied the law bearing upon it accurately and promptly.

Judge Hopper was a good man and a good Judge, always fair and impartial, and was merciful to those brought before him charged with a crime.

Resolved that this memorial be spread upon the minutes of this Court and that the Court adjourn out of respect to the memory of our late Judge.

Bible Students in Special Meeting

There will be held at the home of Mr. Fred W. Fountain near Adams Cross Road, on Sunday, October 8, a Bible students' meeting, under the auspices of the Associated Bible Students' local class. Among those who will be present as speakers will be Mr. W. E. Bullock, Mr. Louis C. Bickling, and Mr. C. Elwood Bright, of Hobbs, Md. Mr. Bullock's subject will be "Gathering the Lord's Jewels."

All are cordially invited. The hour of the meeting is 2:30 p. m.

EUGENE ANDERSON IS NEW FIRE CHIEF

Elected Last Friday Night, Subject to Approval by Commissioners of Town

BD. OF TRUSTEES NAMED

Mr. Eugene Anderson was elected Chief of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company last Friday night at its regular meeting in the fire rooms at the Law Building. Mr. Anderson is a wide-awake, capable young man, and the company has every confidence in his ability to carry on the ideals of the organization and make it a success. His election is approved by two members of the Town Commissioners and it was hoped to secure the consent of the board, but no meeting of the commissioners was held last evening. From the sentiment of the two members approached, however, there is little doubt that his election will receive unanimous approval at the next meeting of that body.

Also at the meeting last Friday night the following members were elected to serve for one year as Board of Trustees, which body transacts the majority of the business of the company: Emory D. Kimmey, Sherman L. Tribbitt, T. Dukes Roe, G. H. Rue and William Cohee.

Bylaws of the company were approved at the third reading at the previous meeting of the company and when these and the election of the chief are sanctioned by the town board the fire company will then be officially ready for business.

Plans are under way to have a fire alarm system installed in the very near future, and the purchase of the necessary fire-fighting equipment will also be made.

INTERESTING NOTES OF THE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

Last Sunday was promotion day in the Sunday School of the Church of the Brethren. A number of promotions were made and the brief exercises which were held were very impressive. The total enrollment in this school is 130. Attendance last Sunday was 115.

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A large audience was present on Sunday morning at the Harvest Home services at the Church of the Brethren. The church was beautifully decorated with fruits of the season and a very timely and appropriate sermon was preached by Elder W. M. Wine, of Delaware.

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The Church of the Brethren will begin their evangelistic meetings October 29th. The Rev. Mr. C. H. Steerman, of New Germantown, Pa., will be the evangelist.

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The Rev. Mr. Levi K. Zeigler, pastor of The Church of the Brethren, at a meeting of the officials of the church on Sunday was requested to remain as pastor of the local church. Several months ago Mr. Zeigler presented his resignation to take effect January 1, 1923. Since that time the members of his church have tried to prevail upon their pastor to remain with them and he finally consented on Sunday. Mr. Zeigler has been pastor of the local church for three years.

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The Church of the Brethren are planning to hold a local Sunday School Convention in the near future. The date will be given later.

DR. PITTMAN OF P. A. L. ADDRESSED P. T. ASSOCIATION

The first monthly meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association was held on Monday evening last.

The early evening was devoted to routine business, after which the audience was treated to an interesting and instructive address by Dr. W. S. Pittman of the Public Athletic League. The doctor's talk was a revelation along athletic lines and surely must have welded upon his audience a conviction of the necessity of improved athletic grounds for our boys and girls.

Following his address and some further discussion as to what methods to adopt to secure temporary grounds for general athletic purposes, a committee was appointed to make whatever arrangements were possible and necessary to relieve to some extent at least the embarrassing disadvantages our boys are working under to compete with boys of other sections of the country.

Refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned awaiting the report of the committee as appointed.

Community Club Meeting Friday

The regular meeting of the Community Club will be held Friday afternoon, October 6th, at 2 o'clock, in the rooms in the Law Building.

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