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RAILROAD TO USE "GAS" AS MOTIVE POWER

Maryland, Delaware And Coast Company Also Plans Frequent Service

PART OF OLD M. D. & V. LINE IS PURCHASED

Frequent service and gasoline motive power for passenger traffic feature the plans of the new Maryland Delaware Coast Railroad. The road has been organized by a Baltimore syndicate headed by Jesse Rosenfeld to supplant the defunct Maryland, Delaware and Virginia Railroad.

Agreement for the purchase of the portion of the old M. D. & V. line between West Denton, Caroline County, Mr., and Lewes, Del., from the E. B. eaf Co., Philadelphia junk dealers, as been completed, Mr. Rosenfeld nounced yesterday.

Road Bought At Auction

Negotiatios for purchase of the road had been in progress several months and, while the Philadelphia concern which bought the road last spring at public auction had been willing to sell, the local syndicate would not complete the deal until traffic rights over the remainder of the road—from West Denton to Love Point—had been obtained from the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania system is preparing to operate the Baltimore and Eastern, which, in conjunction with a ferry from Baltimore to Love Point, will opeate a railroad line from the latter point to Ocean City, Md. Traffic rights also have been secured, Mr. Rosenfeld, said, for the line from Lewes to Rehoboth Beach.

To Use Steam Temporarily

The gasoline feature will be expanded ultimately, Mr. Rosenfeld declared, ultimately, Mr. Rosenfeld declared, to include the handling of freight as well as passenger service. For the esent, however, steam must be used o carry the freight.

A study has been made, Mr. Rosenfeld said, of methods employed by other railroads using gasoline motive power. Deductions made from this study call for operation on the basis of 22 cents a mile a carload. The success made in using gasoline power by the Brandywine and Point Lookout railroad in Southern Maryland, impressed members of the local syndicate they said.

Road Successful, They say

Net profits of from 10 to 20 per cent have been realized by the 25-mile line running from Brandywine, Prince George's county, to Mechanicsville, St. Mary's county, since the reorganization of the company and the installation of gasoline motive power for passenger service, Mr. Rosenfeld declared. The road made $5,000 the first year and doubled this the second year, Mr. Rosenfeld said.

In mapping out the plan of procedure, Mr. Rosenfeld said, the Maryland and Delaware Coast Railroad will follow recommendations of the Warfield Commission to a great extent.

It is pointed out that gasoline power may be used in that section for hauling freight because of the absence of grades of any consequence.

Two Trips Daily Planned

Under the plans of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the ferry from Love Point to Baltimore, upon which the Maryland and Delaware Coast Railroad will depend for an outlet to this city, will depend for an outlet to this city, will make at least two trips a day, it was said. An hour and three quarters will be consumed between Love Point and Baltimore.

For a time it was feared that the Pennsylvania Railroad, which owned the old M. D. and V., would abandon it. Through the efforts of the Public Service Commission, however, it finally was induced to form the Baltimore and Eastern Company. The Pennsylvania, however, refused to operate the section of the road east of West Denton, contending that it was unprofitable.

Mr. Rosenfeld went to Annapolis yesterday to confer with delegates at the Legislature, regarding the project. He assured them, he said, that his organization would make no effort to prevent the building of the proposed State road to connect Denton with Love Point, and that the sole aim of his company will be to work for better service for the section and encourage trade development with Baltimore.

Denton Wins School Building

Senator Lawrence B. Tower's bill providing for the erection of a high school building in the town of Denton, passed the final vote in the Senate yesterday and now goes to the governor for his signature. The bill calls for the building to cost $100,000.

BOTH SIDES

By THE CRACKER

When I behold the rich and great, (they're none of my relation), I frequently bemoan the fate of my obscure station. I cannot rest my awkward feet beneath their dining tables; in bnaquet halls of the elite, I never have been stabled. No Jap valet to prune my nails and massage my corns and bunions; no headlines in the Daily Mail, praise my financial gumption. A case in court I cannot plead, or preach a mighty sermon, to be broadcasted o'er the seas in Spanish, French and German. And yet two sides has every case; when the obverse side I view, embarrassments the high brows face, my envy is subdued, In laurels tho' I cannot bask, or reap the rich reward of fame and glory which the cash of millionaires afford; by blackmailers I'm not assailed as I trudge my humble route, no adventurous female seeks for kale in breach of promise suit. The senate does not care a rap where I buy my gasoline; no rivals seek to mud my hat reposing in the ring. And now if I should break the law, no headlines would be devoted, to mention of my trial at all, I'd go to jail unnoticed.

"12 OLD MAIDS" CAUSE LAUGHTER

The Sunday school room of the M. P. church was taxed to its utmost capacity Tuesday evening by the people assembled to see "Twelve Old Maids." This one-act comedy was cleverly presented by the Live Wire Class of the school. It was a decided success from every point of view. In itself very funny, it held added interest in the local hits. Indeed, the bachelors, old and young, of the town took very prominent parts in the play, albeit, they did not appear in person.

Parts in the play were well assigned and each girl carried out her name and character to perfection. We can not pass over the costumes without giving them part of the credit for the success of the evening, They, alone, brought down the house.

A piano solo by Miss Esther Statum and two numbers by the male quartet introduced the evening's fun.

The class was asssited in the preparation of the play by their teacher, Mrs. Charles Howard, and Miss Adeline Fsiher, who played the accompaniment for the songs.

Following is the cast of characters:

Mrs. Beamer, a schemer, takes summer boarders, Lillian Timmons
Liza Pearl, her hired girl, not so slow, Nellie Thawley
Madam Zikeller, a fortune teller, after the coin, Florence Morgan
Members of the Old Maids' Union, W. W. A .M., No. 23—
Miss Lizze Lidy, awfully tidy, Elizabeth Towers
Selinda Zook, an A-1 cook, Esther Rairigh
Matilda Finn, who's rather thin, Hazel Towers
Jemima Routt, a little stout, Pearl Taylor
Ethel McWade, a poetical maid, Elizabeth Theis
Mary Ann Fites, who wants her rights, Pauline Roe
Mandy Mentor, from Punkin Center, Esther Statum
Miss Kate O'Foss, who loves to boss, Margaret Cooper
Lovetta McCann, who wants a man, Martha Beck
Cerinthy Fling, does nothing but sing, Esther Dunham
Lucindy Toots, who elocutes, Grace Hubbard
Eliza Neff, just slightly deaf, Ruth Bell
The Mystic Orann, a wooden man, who comes to life, Beatrice Green.

REVIVAL AT M. P. CHURCH

Revival services will begin at the Denton Methodist Protestant Church this Sunday, March 9th, to continue for two weeks. A cordial welcame awaits everyone. Good singing and a live gospel message every evening.

Lenten Pictures

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."—Luke 23:34

Whether or not we believe in the custom of "giving up" some cherished physical pleasure during Lent, we cannot but admit that it is a peculiarly appropriate time for a bit of spiritual house cleaning and renovating. In order to clear our minds of much that matters not, and to fill them with that which means everything, let us listen again to the words of the Master as He hangs in bitter, lonely agony on the Cross.

Let us stand with the crowd upon the hill called Golgotha—place of the Skull. Three crosses in sharp outline against the sky. Two broken bodies on either side. A snarling, spiteful, jeering mob. A little handful of silent, tearful followers of the Master. And Christ, Himself, the center of all eyes, the victim of cruel mockery and hateful sneers, stretched on the center cross, in bitter agony of body and soul. Does He beg for release? Does He revile and reproach His tormentors? Ah, no. From the lips that have always preached forgiveness comes now the low prayer, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Oh, what a magnificent ideal for us to strive for! Hard? Yes, truly, but what is worthwhile that is not hard? Our trials are little when compared to His, yet we turn only too readily to condemning and reproaching our enemies. May this picture of the Saviour and the sound of these words abide with us this week and help us to reach the goal He set in His hour of trial.

ENGINE GIVES 75 LBS. PRESSURE AT END OF 2100 FEET OF HOSE

An exceptional demonstration was held Monday afternoon, showing what the new Seagrave fire engine of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company can do. This test was witnessed by the Easton Fire Company, who had sent one of its fire engines here to assist with the test, and members of that organization expressed surprise at the splendid results obtained.

The engine was located at the wharf to the other side of the river, where a draft of ten feet was necessary to get the water from the river to the engine. With the pressure at the pump never exceeding 245 pounds, the water was forced through a line of hose 2100 feet long and up the 45 foot incline at the Court House and delivered at the nozzle 200 gallons of water per minute with a pressure of 75 pounds from a ¾ inch tip. This test is an exceptionally severe one as the pressure on such a long line of hose is lost almost entirely as a rule, but the firemen easily threw water over the top of the Den-Mar Mobile Garage.

Had it not been for a bad length of hose a higher pressure would have been put on the line which would have increased the pressure at the nozzle as well as the amount of water delivered.

A demonstraton of this kind shows that even under very unusual circumstances our engine would be able to deliver as much water as was needed for a fire.

Saturday afternoon, last, a number of the firemen took the engine on a demonstration trip to Federalsburg where with a pump pressure of 120 pounds it deliver from two lines of hose 150 feet long with 1¼ inch tips, 726 gallons of water per minute. This demonstration attracted a very large audience, in fact, the crowd was so large and gathered so closely in on the men that they hardly had room to work.

From Federalsburg, the engine went to Hurlock and thence to Preston, where they stopped for short periods but no demonstrations were given at these places.

Last Saturday a demonstration was staged in Denton at noon at the corner of 5th and Main streets, showing what the engine could do while pumping from the town mains.

It is understood that there is a movement on foot whereby the Denton volunteer Fire Company will join with the other fire companies on the shore in forming a league and holding annual meets and demonstrations.

WINS SPECIAL PRIZE AT DOG SHOW IN BALTO.

Mr. E. T. Orme, of near Denton, won the special prize against all-comers at the Maryland Kennel Club show, at Baltimore, February 29-March 1, when one of his pups, an English setter, female, was picked for the special prize. Another dog, a brother to the one getting the special prize, was chosen with another for a prize, they being so nearly matched that the judge held up the ribbon and told the owner to take it. Mr. Orme, whose dog, he felt, was not quite up to the other, walked away.

To have two dogs picked out for special notice the first time to ever enter his dogs at a show, proves that the blood is in the veins of the kennels of Mr. Orme and we hope that he has many more successes in the coming shows in the future.

B. OF T. ADDRESSED BY W. T. GARDNER

W. T. Gardner, traffic manager of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce, visited the Denton Board of Trade last Friday evening, at its regular meeting, and delivered a splendid talk in two sections. Mr. C. M. Freeman, secretary of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce was to have been present, but owing to illness was unable to come, and Mr. Gardner very graciously endeavored to give Mr. Freeman's talk.

In the first part of the address, Mr. Gardner told of the workings of the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce, told of some of the many things it has accomplished and how they accomplished these various things. He offerred many suggestions of ways and means to do things for the local community here in Denton and said that if no apparent results were seen at once, not to become discouraged, for he said it sometimes takes two or three years to accomplish certain objectives, and gave several instances where in Salisbury the Chamber of Commerce had worked along certain lines for two, three and even four years before the desired results were obtained.

Following this enlightening talk, Mr. Gardner swung in on his own subject, that of traffic, and what can be done. On this subject, he was very much at home and lost no time in setting before the meeting the whys and wherefores of railroad tariffs, what can and what had been done by the Chamber of Commerce in securing better rates, refunds and overcharges, on shipments, both to and from the Peninsula, and of the winning thru the I. C. S. the lower rating on perishable goods where refrigeration is need ed. This one item alone, last year meant thousands of dollars to the Peninsula shippers of strawberries no a saving of refrigeration bills, when the proper classification was stated at the point of shipment.

Following his talk, Mr. Gardner answered many questions put to him by the local members who have had any trouble with shipping problems.

The Board of Trade extended Mr. Gardner a risnig vote of thanks for his instructive talks and instructed the secretary to write and thank the Salisbury Chamber of Commerce for their hospitality and co-operation in permitting Mr. Gardner to speak before this organization.

NUTTLE BROTHERS DISSOLVE COMPANY

Announcement hsa been made this week of the dissolution of partnership or trading of partnerships by Messrs. Fred B. Nuttle and Frank L. R. Nuttle, of their interests in the Nuttle Hardware Company and the Nuttle Milling Company.

As a result of this change, Mr. Fred Nuttle will have full control of the Nuttle Hardware Company and Mr. Frank Nuttle will take over the interest of his brother in the Nuttle Milling Company.

These two concerns in the years in which they have been operating, have made for themselves a reputation in the community which stands strong in the regards and esteem of the people and it is the hope of their many friends for their continued success in the new changes.

Engraved stationery and calling cards at The American Union.

DISCUSSION OF H. S. BLDG. BY P. T. A

Argument Waxes Warm Over Portions of Bill—Resolutions Adopted

VERY GOOD PROGRAM

The regular monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher Association was held Monday evening in the high school. The attendance was good.

Shortly after 8 o'clock the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Wooters and the program began, as follows:

Piano solo, Miss Mary Nuttle.

Song, "My Dolly Lies Here in Her Cradle," Frances Hignutt and Mabel Rickards.

Piano solo, Miss Bernice Wooters.

Vocal solos, "Lilac Time," "If," G. H. Rue.

Address, Mr. E. M. Noble, county superintendent of schools.

Vocal solo, "Somewhere a Voice Is Calling," Mrs. Mabel Duffey.

Song, "Good Morning, Merry Sunshine," Mabel Rickards and Frances Hignutt.

Piano solo, "Liebesfreud," Mrs. G. H. Rue.

The business of the meeting began with the reading of the minutes by the secretary, Mrs. N. L. Rairigh. Then followed a most interesting discussion of the question uppermost in every patron's mind—the new school.

Mr. Noble in his address had brought before the meeting the three objections which the taxpayers of other districts make to the present bill before the legislature. The first and main objection is that Denton has not provided her own school site, which has been the rule with all other schools in the county. The other towns feel that there is a "nigger in the wood pile," and that there is no telling how much of the $100,000 asked for, is to be spent, graft-wise, on somebody's land.

The second objection is that no provision was made in the bill that the said amount was to cover the absolute completion of the building. And the final objection is to the size of the amount asked for, which is so much more than any of the other towns has received.

Mr. Noble explained that the school board does not oppose the bill, nor the county commissioners; that it is very willing and eager for Denton to hvae the school, but that it had recommended these changes in the bill, in joint consultation with the county commissioners.

In answer to these remarks, Mr. Noble was assured that these changes in the form of amendments had already been made. Much discussion ensued, with Messrs. John T. Carter, William I. Norris and Ernest G. Cooper answering and explaining the various phases of the situation. It is felt that a good deal of the opposition throughout the couny comes from two things: First, the lack of real appreciation, on the part of the majority of the people, of the true conditions at Caroline High School. Second, a general feeling of rivalry, between the towns, which is being encouraged by the propaganda of a few politicians and trouble-makers, who have neither interest nor understanding of educational problems.

The meeting threatened to go on indefinitely without taking any definite action, but a motion was finally made and carried that the president should appoint some one, to call one of our delegates and ask that the bill be amended, if it had not already been, (which it had and passed the House and returned to the Senate that date), to read (1) that Denton provide her own site; (2) that the $100,000 cover the completion of the building; (3) that the site be "in or out" of town, at the discretion of the committe. This seemed to be the only step possible under the circumstances.

Even this proved useless, for when Mr. Carter, the appointed committee, called the representative, he was told the bill had passed the House with the amendments as desired, excepting that one amendment says the school "shall be within the corporate limits of the town." It has now gone back to the Senate, where the amendments will be voted on, and it is earnestly hoped that the interest and enthusiasm of our senator, Lawrence B. Towers, will be great enough to secure its passage.

The hostesses of the evening served delicious fudge and puffed rice candy.

Dad—Forget her son, she is a bootlegger's daughter.

Bud—Yes Dad, but I love her still.

Bride (to butcher)—What sort of roast do you think would go well with a perfect doll of a blu-and-white dinner set?—Life.

TREE PLANTING URGED IN LECTURE AT FEDERATION

The Caroline County Federation of Women's Clubs met in Greensboro on Friday, February 29th, at the new Baptist church. Following the call to order by the president, Mrs. Eva G. Small, there was a short period of singing by the entire assembly, led by Mrs. J. Kemp Stevens, chairman of the music division of the Department of Fine Arts of the Eastern Shore District Federation of Women's Clubs.

Discussion of exemption from examinations in the schools, which was continued from the previous meeting, brought forth many arguments, both for and against, and much animation was shown. It was finally moved to lay the discussion on the table.

The questions of devotional exercises in the public schools, scheduled for this session, was deferred to the next meeting in lieu of time, and at this point the meeting adjourned for luncheon, served by the ladies of the Greensboro club.

The afternoon session began with an instrumental solo by Mrs. Kirby Metz, followed by a vocal solo by Mrs. Paul Phillips and a reading by Mrs. Harry Hemmons. These numbers were thoroughly enjoyed.

Mr. Newton G. Pack, secretary of the American Tree Association, gave the address of the afternoon, on tree planting.

He pointed to the work of the Williston Community Club as an example of what clubs throughout the United Statse could do. He congratulated the club on its tree vote and birdhouse building campaign in the schools of the county, as well as the work of the individual tree planters who had joined the American Tree Association and regsitered their work on the national honor roll.

"The basis of all knowledge is nature study," Secretary Pack told the women. "Nature has written most of the history of the world. Look at the row about the Ruhr; the way men have to dig into mountains to get coal how hey have fought all through the ages for the lands that are the most productive. Nature is responsible for industrial development of every kind. She has made man conquor he oceans rivers and elements.

"If Nature is treated kindly she will repay man for his labor many fold. But when she is outraged, as in the case of our forests, she will reap a terrible toll. Look at China with her yearly floods. Lok at some of our own river areas. The cry is for wood. To get wood we must cut down trees. There is and end to this cutting and the time has come for you to take account and see what 81,000,000 acres of idle land in this country is costing you."

It is costing you millions of dollars in freight rates, for one thing, to get forest products for your homes from the Pacific Coast states.

"The cost of every commodity you use in your daily lite from cradles to coffins is affected by the cost of wood. This idle land must be put to work and that is one of the reasons for educational campaigns by the American Tree Association for turning the thot of the American people to the importance of these things.

"In these campaigns the women's clubs of Caroline county are doing their share in fine fashion and are in the front rank of the women's clubs of the country."

Slides were used to illustrate the lecture which everyone pronounced most interestnig and discretive.

Following this, Mrs. J. Kemp Stevens, Mrs. J. A. Dudley and Mrs. P. Roland Fisher sang several trios, later leading the federation in a final sing which closed the meeting.

REV. H. D. SPENSER

Rev. H. D. Spenser, a former pastor of Denton Holiness church, was buried here on Tuesday afternoon. He died at his home in Baltimore, on Friday morning after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, nee Nannie Holland and four sons and one daughter. Rev. Spenser was very true and faithful to the cause which he represented, and had many friends here. The funeral service was conducted at the church by Revs. H. J. Olsens, of Trappe and G. L. Helsby of Denton. Interment was made in Denton cemetery.

Wedding invitations and announcements, either printed or engraved, at The American Union.

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