DAMNED IF THEY DO OR THEY DON'T

One of the administration boosters says in a recent magazine article that "a good deal of Republican presidential politics has been played since the beginning of the year." The fact is that there has been ten times as much presidential politics played by the Democrats as by the Republicans. The Republicans have been largely barred from playing politics, because every time they make a move they are accused of trying to embarrass the administration. If they oppose an administration measure, they are doing it for politics. If they support an administration measure, that is also for political purposes. In the eyes of administration boosters there is no good purpose, no patriotic motive, in Republicans. On the other hand, they see nothing but the purest of patriotism in every act of the administration, including all the wastefulness, the favoritism, the sectionalism, the procrastination, and the secrecy regarding public affairs. When the administration coddled the I. W. W., that was patriotism. It was all right for the administration to attempt to establish an eight-hour day in the lumber industry to the Pacific Coast while leaving the Southern mills to operate on their old schedules. If those things had been done by Republicans, the charge of "playing politics" would have been far too mild to characterize the transactions. But the voters are more sagacious than the administration boosters give them credit for. They are wise to the sophistry that is being attempted, and they will demonstrate that condition of mind in the Senatorial and Congressional elections next Fall.

MARINE NOTES

Quantico, Va. The official time limit for adjusting gas masks is six seconds, but United States Marines encamped here are attemptin to set new records for speedy adjustment.

French and British instructors say the Marines are showing wonderful speed in the handling of the gas masks —an almost incredible speed—one that is likely to break records in gas mask adjustment.

The gas mask has a series of complicated straps that makes it no small trick to adjust the headgear within six seconds' time, but entire companies of Marines have already beaten that mark.

SANDYVILLE

Preaching this Sunday morning at Sandy Mount Church.

The L. T. L. will meet at Pleasant Grove this Sunday morning, after Sunday school. All members invited.

Sandy Mount Mite Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Annie Tanner next Friday afternoon, April 5. All members cordially invited to attend.

Geraldine Young who was operated on last week at Maryland University for ear trouble returned home last Sunday, much improved.

Paul Greene and soldier friend spent Sunday at the formers home. Paul looks hale and hearty.

A short C. E. service was led Sunday night by the pastor, Rev. Clough, who gave a splendid address on the topic, "Remedies for Intemperance." A business meeting was held at the close.

Mr. Wm. Westaway visited his mother, Mrs. Sopha Westaway, Tuesday in Baltimore. She has pneumonia.

The Union Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Finksburg charge met at the parsonage on Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was opened by President, Myrle Caple. Several hymns were song and prayers offered. Mrs. Philena Fenby read scribture and made appropriate remarks on the appearances of Jesus after the Resurrection. Mrs. Clough gave a splendid Missionary reading. Several new members received. Other business transacted.

The next meeting will be held the last Wednesday afternoon in May at the home of Mrs. L. W. Caple. All invited.

The weather has been very cold and blustery the past week.

L. W Caple who had been critically ill is improving slowly.

Mr. Chas. Hoff, of Ohio, visited Messrs. Albert and Fillmore Hoff this week.

Roy Caple and family moved this week to the Grey farm, Glen Falls.

WILL OPEN PEN-MAR

Federal control of the transportation lines will not deter the Western Maryland Railroad Company from going ahead with its plans for operating excursion trains to Pen-Mar Park this summer, as it has done for years. The opening of the park, however, was in doubt up to a few days ago, as the management was not quite certain just what the attitude of the national Railroad Administration would be toward furnishing transportation facilities for such pleasure resorts. It was at first thought that the operation of excursion trains might interfere with the movement of traffic and would be against the policy of restricted passenger service now being followed closely by all the carriers.

Director-General McAdoo, however, has issued no orders with regard to closing the pleasure parks located along the railroads. The national Railroad Administration seems to favor opening them for the benefit of the people. Afew days ago it was announced that Washington had approved the operation of the usual excursion trains to Atlantic City. The Western Maryland took its cue from this announcement and it was decided to go ahead with plans for keeping the park open this summer. It has not been definitely decided whether daily trains will be operated or a twice-a-week service.

SHIPLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Baker spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hayden Bollinger, of Eastview.

Mrs. Henry Muller and Mrs. Ernest Porter were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Waltz.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wagner had as their guests Sunday Mrs. Emma Zepp, of Carrollton. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Polster Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shipley had as their guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. John Baker and family, Ernest Niner and family, Celous Bellison and family, Miss Mable Shipley, Alberta Shipley, Rena Snyder, Mrs. Ruth Shipley, Mrs. Thomas Snyder and others

The Rev. Owens will preach a sermon on "War" at Bethesda on Sunday. March 31, 1918.

Mrs. Ruth Shipley entertained a few of her lady friends at her beautiful home, Thursday, March 19, at a quilting. Refreshments were served: Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Shipley, William Davis, Albert Shipley, Grove Easton, M. I. Connor, Mrs. Ida Smith, Mrs. Carrie Murphy, Ella Snyder, Mrs. Howel Davis, Miss Bell Easton, Mable Shipley, Dit Davis, Ruth Davis, Walter Smith, Howel Davis, Jr., Raymond Davis and Howel Shipley.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wilhide were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emory Baker.

Mrs. Lena Wagner and daughter spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Amelia Wagner.

Mrs. Harry Hughes has as her guest Miss Viola Foutz, of near Warfieldsburg.

Mr. Monro Lambert and Miss Melvie Gibson, of Westminster, called on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hook Sunday.

MILLERS

Miss Hilda Graf received a letter from her brother, William H. Graf, who is now a Private in the 307th. Engineer Corps stationed at Camp Gordon, Atlanta Georgia, stating he received 80 post cards on his birthday, and extends thanks to his many friends who so kindly remembered him.

Edwin Shaffer, of Baltimore, visited his mother, Mrs. S. H. Hare, over Easter.

Mrs. Charles Miller and daughter, of Arlington, visited the formers parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Berkheimer, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Giller and children, Miss Marguerite Giller, of Baltimore, and Charles Giller, of Washington, D. C., visited their parents here Easter.

Mrs. Martha Hollnagle who spent the past two months among her children at Baltimore, returned home Sunday.

Misses Beulah and Edna Redding, of Shrewsbury Station, Pa., and Mr. Clark Gehb, of Stewartstown, Pa., visited at the home of John K. Miller Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brilhart and Miss Marie Wentz visited at Manchester Sunday.

Oliver Hoover spent Saturday at Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hoover visited at Hanover Saturday.

Pauline and Maurice Lessner spent several days at Baltimore recently.

SWEET AIR

Mrs. Levi Haines has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Shriver Pickett.

Miss Alma Pickett spent the week end with Misses Hilda and Goldie Haines.

Mrs. Bertha Schuman, of Baltimore, Mrs. Cleveland Warner and son Dudley, Miss Gertie Yakel, of Berrett, and Mr. and Mrs. John Miller were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Welsh, near this place.

Mr. Harvey Pickett and son Dewey, of Baltimore, spent the holidays with the home folks.

Mrs. Hilda Miller spent Sunday with Hilda Haines.

Misses Emma and Maud Davis visited Miss Margaret Davis Monday.

Mr. Elmer Hood spent Easter in Baltimore.

The Easter service that was rendered at Mt. Olive Sunday afternoon was quite a success.

Don't forget Ordinance meeting which will be held at Bethel Church Sunday evening, April 7. Everyone welcome to attend this service.

Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, Miss Bessie Hood, Mr. Howard Conaway, Mr. William Glennan and others were recent guests at the home of Mr. Rod Davis.

Miss Ola Davis has returned to her home after spending a month in Westminster. Miss Davis was accompanied back by her sister, Mrs. Geo. Jones and sons Emerson and Everett, who will remain several weeks.

UNIONTOWN

We have turned the clock up, we have been a little late at some of the services, have to do some guessing as to the proper time for dinner, but suppose we will learn the art of getting up an hour before we are ready and all will be right.

Our teacher, Miss Pearl Garrity and Miss Grace Wilson, spent the holidays with their home folks.

Ralph Romspert, of Philadelphia, was home over Sunday. Friday he passed his physical examination and was ordered to report at Camp Meade on Monday for training.

Miss Loretta Weaver was an over Sunday guest at Dr. Jesse Englar's in Westminster.

Mrs. Clara Crabbs, Hagerstown, is with her sister, Miss Annie E. Baust.

Mrs. Blanche Mering, near Owings Mill, and sons Kenneth and Ridgely spent Easter with Mrs. Clementine Mering.

Henry Bobright who is employed in New York was home with his family part of the week.

Charles Waltz and family have moved to Baltimore county, his brother John Waltz and wife taking the tollgate house.

Miss Matie, daughter of Edward Beard, Clear Ridge, is at the U. P. I. for treatment of her throat.

Ephraim Bowersox and niece, Miss Edna Bowersox, went to Frederick Saturday to visit Mr. Bowersox's three little daughters who are cared for in a home at that place.

Rev. R. K. Lewis left for Baltimore Tuesday to attend the M. P. Conference. Mr. Bollinger, Pipe Creek, is delegate.

Miss Elizabeth Lewis accompanied her father and will enter a hospital there for treatment.

James M. Shellman and wife returned to their country home this week after spending the winter in Union Bridge.

Mrs. Sallie S. Demarest, New York City, visited her uncle, H. H. Weaver and family, first of the week.

Miss Lucille R. Weaver has accepted a position with Nusbaum and Jordan in Westminster. Her friends wish her success in her choice.

NEWS ITEMS

The Australian wheat crop for the season of 1917-18 is estimated at 114,020,000 bushels, compared with last year's yield of 152,565,000. The 25 per cent decrease is a result of reduced acreage and unfavorable conditions.

The sooner the irresistible might of this great Republic is organized and put into full action the sooner the war will end. Every dollar invested in Government securities works to shorten the war, to save the lives of American soldiers and sailors. Buy Liberty Bonds.

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Losses from fires in national forests last year amounted to $1,358,600, according to figures compiled by the Forest Service. While the loss was larger than for several years it was unusually light considering the danderous conditions. Protracted drought and periods ot high winds made conditions virtually the same as in 1910, when $25,000,000 worth of timber on national forests was destroyed. Careless campers were responsible for 1,288 fires. Railroads, partly through failure to comply with the law, set 1,003, while the number of incendiary fires is given as 952. The total number of fires fought was 7,814. All but 2,132, set by lightning, were caused by human agencies.

A summary of the work of the Gun Divisi$on of the Bureau of Ordnance shows it has been necessary to equip 16 large plants for manufacture of Mobile artillery cannon. The total program of the Gun Division calls for an expenditure of nearly $2,000,000,000. The major projects have included: Construction of smokeless powder plants in face of the necessity of doubling the present output. These are now underway. Expenditure of approximately $40,000,000 for plant facilities to manufacture artillery cannon, with an estimate that $300,000,000 will be spent for cannon alone within two years after the beginning of the war. Preparations for the erection of plants to extract toluol from the illuminating gas being furnished cities by private gas companies. Conservation of the supply of ammonium nitrate and acids and construction at Government expense of a plant for the fixation of nitrogen and its final conversion into ammonium nitrate. Construction, now undertaken, of a gas filling plant to cost approximately $1,500,000 and five large shell filling plants with a total cost of $25,000,000.

The following statictics dealing with the effect of the war on the birth rate in Hungary were read to the Hungarian Chamber of Deputies. "Before the war 765,000 children a year were born in Hungary. In the first year of the war, 1914, the number of births was reduced by 18,000; in 1915 only 481,000 children were born—that is, 284,000 less than in time of peace. In 1916 the number of births was 333,000—a reduction of 432,000. In 1917 the births amounted to 327,000—that is, the reduction was 438,000. Therefore our losses (in Hungary alone) behind the front reach the number of 1,172,866 individuals. "Whereas in time of peace infant mortality, for a period of seven years, was 34 per cent, in 1915 the proportion was increased to 48 per cent and in 1916 to 50 per cent."

American troops are armed with a faster firing and more accurate rifle than used by the Germans, according to our expert designers, manufacturers, and marksmen, says a statement by the Bureau of Ordnance. One military critic and writer claims the German Mauser does not permit the most skilled user to get more than 50 per cent of the firing speed of the modified Enfield adopted for the United States service. The superiority claimed for the American weapon is supported on three counts: Quicker firing as a result of bolt-handle design, easier and quicker sighting as a result of sight design, greater accuracy of bullet flight resulting from bullet design and greater mechanical accuracy of chamber and bore.

The use of gas as a substitute for gasolene for motor traction is increasing in England. Acording to a report to the United States Department of Commerce about 4,500 commercial vehicles have already been equipped to run on coal gas, with an estimated saving of gasolene of 3,000,000 gallons a year. As a provision to maintain the supply of gas in districts where it is urgently needed for national work an order has been issued under which the use of gas manufactured or supplied by any specific undertaking may be prohibited in motor vehicles other than those used by the undertaking itself.

A special farm-service division is being established in most of the 100 offices of the United States Employment Service as one of the plans for meeting the labor requirements of the farmers. Special field agents are being sent into districts where acute farm-labor shortage exists or where unusually large numbers will be needed. A weekly bulletin will be issued in which opportunities for farm employment and the needs of certain districts will be listed. Posters announcing the location of Federal and State employment offices are being hung in post offices, railway stations, and other public places. All third and fourth class post offices, of which there are 55,000, are now authorized farm-labor employment offices. During the harvest season in certain States temporary offices will be opened in a number of cities for the purpose of furnishing accurate information as to where harvest hands are needed. A weekly report of farm-labor conditions is being sent to the main office at Washington by all the branch offices and by many State employment offices.

CARROLL COUNTY DAIRYMEN WILLING TO PRODUCE MILK ON "COST PLUS A REASONABLE PROFIT BASIS"

The monthly meeting of the Carroll County branch of the State dairymen's Association was held in Westminster last Saturday at The Firemen's Building.

The feature of the meeting was the discussion of prices offered by the Dealers of Baltimore, for milk this summer.

In consideration of the prices of all feeds that enter into the production of milk, the farmers are at a loss to know on what grounds the Dealers would expect them to sell milk at 20 2-5 cents per gallon. This being the average price for the summer.

A resolution was unanimously adopted not to accept the prices offered by the Bottlers Exchange of Baltimore but to demand the payment of 30 cents per gallon from April 1st to September 1st 1918.

The meeting was one of the largest ever held by the dairymen of Carroll County . It was clearly demonstrated that the farmers wish to be patriotic and will do all they can to keep the cost of production down, put they will not attempt to continue in the business at a loss.

Roland P. Baile, President of the Association, presided.

JOHN SMITH, Sec.

Over $41,000 in 5-cent Smilage coupons has come in from the big camps to headquarters at the Commission on Training Camp Activities in Washington. These coupons represent admissions to theatrical events at the camps. Soldiers from the smaller towns received their books early, because of the prompt response of these places when Smilage books were placed on sale, and in many cases have used them up.

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