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SHIPLEY

Miss Aleatha Marie Arbaugh celebrated her sixth birthday at the home of her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. John A. Polster on Sunday, January 22. The grand mother served supper. The table was beautifully decorated and loaded with good things to eat. In the center of the table was a birthday cake with six candles which Aleatha blew out. Then she cut the cake and passed it to all. She received some nice presents. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John A. Polster, Mr. and Mrs. Emory C. Arbaugh, Mrs. Aleatha M. Arbaugh and Mr. Norman Arbaugh.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Caples had as a week-end guest Mr. Edwin Smith, of Gist

Misses Louise, Evelyn and Mae Hook and Master William Hook were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Bair.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Wagner had as Sunday guest Mr. and Mrs. John B. Wagner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wilhide and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harman and son Jr., Mr. Earl B. Owings and son Sterling were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harman, Court street extended, Westminster.

Miss Christina Owings and Mr. Otto Owings, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Williams near Bloom lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Owings had as Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Porter. Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Williams. Miss Leaner Beichem, Hilda and Rachel Porter, of Salem. They were entertained on the piano with some fine music.

Mr. Ruben Williams spent Thursday with friends near Bird Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zahn had as week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. Robert Zahn, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Coulson and family, Miss Gladys Zahn, of Philadelphia, Pa., and others.

Miss Gladys Bair was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Martha Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grimes had as Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Roland Grimes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ensor Aldridge and family, and Miss Beulah Edmondson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hughes were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Conner, near Gist.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Grant Hook Thursday, February 2, at two o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

GREENMOUNT

The Junior choir of the Greenmount U. B. church, furnished music for the service which was held in the Reformed church, Manchester, last Sunday afternoon, when Dr. W. W. Davis, of Baltimore, spoke in the interest of the Lord's Day Alliance.

Mrs. B. F. Bosley spent several days last week visiting her brother, George Kexel, of Baltimore.

Airy Phillips, and Miss Ray Trout, of Baltimore, spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bosley.

Mrs. Amelia Sharrer spent Sunday visiting her son, Albert Sharrer, and family Hampstead.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bankert and daughters, Cora, Elizabeth and Miriam, of Union Mills, spent Sunday visiting their daughter, Miss Louise Bankert, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Garrett.

Miss Martha Manahan, of Westminster, spent Monday evening visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Garrett.

Mrs. Arthur Dehoff, who was operated on two weeks ago at the Hanover Hospital, is improving nicely.

Mrs. B. F. Bosley has received a number of beautiful cards from Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Barnhart, Mrs. George Kexel and Miss Margaret Lauterbach, of Baltimore, who are spending several weeks in Florida.

UNION MILLS

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Union Mills Savings Bank, held last week, the old board of directors was re-elected, as follows: Dr. J. J. Stewart, O. E. Dodrer, George M. Smeak, Herbert C. Bixler, John T. Dutterer, William Frock, George E. Schaeffer, Harry N. Groft, John F. Maus, John D. Schaeffer, Jerome Koontz and Calvin E. Bankert. The board organized by the election of the following officers: President, Dr. J. J. Stewart; vice-president, O. E. Dodrer; treasurer, Calvin E. Bankert, and counsel James E. Boylan, Jr.

On Saturday next, Robert T. Shriver, in company with some friends from Baltimore, will embark on the S. S. Veerdam, for a sixteen-day cruise of the West Indies. Bermuda, Kingston, Nassau and Havana, are the principal places to be visited. It is planned for the party to be at Havana on February 6, when Lindberg lands in that city on his goodwill flight.

While attempting to cut some wood with an axe, last Monday, Eugene, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hollinger, cut an ugly gash in his forehead. Dr. G. Lewis Wetzel, who attended the lad, closed the wound with a number of stitches.

On account of a badly mashed thumb, which he received while hauling ice a couple weeks ago, Harvey Shorb is yet unable to do much work.

SALEM

Church services for this Sunday are Bible class at 9.30 A. M., preaching at 10.30 A. M., Epworth League at 7.30 P. M. Everybody is invited to attend.

Those who called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kiler were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farver, Mrs. Laura Frizell and Peter Wolf.

The weather has been very cold and makes it bad for the girls and boys around this section who go to Winfield and Sykesville high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bair called on Mr. and Mrs. Enorse Aldridge and family.

Those who are on the sick list are Mrs. Roy Kiler and Marybell Grimes, Mary Carr, little Mary Abell and Mrs. Minnie Porter.

Mr. Joshua Niner and brother Roland called on Ralph Caples on Sunday.

Miss Rosa Buckingham and sister Edith called on Misses Martha and Ethel Barber, near Enterprise.

Miss Esther Grimes spent from Saturday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Grimes.

We have several cases of chicken pox around this section.

Mr. Dennis Carr called on his brother and sister, Miss Mary Carr and Charles Carr.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Davis and son Raymond called on Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Will and family.

Miss Cecy Wolf called to see her friend Miss Mary Carr.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Abell called on Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kiler.

EASTVIEW

Thursday evening Mrs. Maggie Conaway, Elsie and Eveline Harris took supper with Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman and family and later in the evening Messrs. John Conaway, Ernest Glover and Garrison Buckingham arrived when games were indulged in and Misses Eveline Harris and Elsie Conaway played on the piano and sang duets. The time for going home came only too soon.

Mr. John Conaway and Mr. Thomas Jones drug in the road Friday evening as they were in such a condition traveling was a thing of the past. We know the stores of Westminster miss the country trade that usually comes in.

Thursday afternoon as Mr. James Barnes was taking a load of farm produce to Westminster for Mr. George Caple his truck slipped into one of the ruts causing it to break down.

Mr. John Blizzard, of this place, is sick and under the care of a physician.

Mrs. M. O. Conaway and Elsie have been housed for several weeks and do not seem to improve any.

Mr. George Fosset is quite sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry have moved from their home near Eastview to a place called Dundalk. Mr. Hussy is working there and the roads and weather are against him getting home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wicks and son Franklin took dinner with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Conaway.

Mrs. M. O. Conaway took a trip to Baltimore to see her sister, Mrs. Emma Wicks on Wednesday last and found her much improved.

Mrs. Hattie McCaully is confined to the house with a bad cold.

Saturday night Mr. Thomas Jones, Virginia and Glen were at Mr. Conaway's and played games.

We have had three very cold days this week.

STATEMENT BY MR. ALLGIRE

According to a statement just made by A. C. Allgire, manager of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City now serves 194,542 telephones in Maryland which was an increase of 5,707 during 1927. To make this net gain Mr. Allgire states that the company installed 32,659 and disconnected 26,952 telephones. This means that it was necessary for the company to install more than 5 telephones to make a net gain of one.

The national telephone system is also showing substantial increases and there are now more than 18,300,000 telephones served by the Bell System. Of this number 3,300,000 have been added to the system since January 1, 1923. This means that more telephones were added to the system in the past five years than were operated by all of the Bell and connecting companies in 1906, thirty years after the telephone was invented. During that year there were only 3,000,000 telephones served by the Bell System.

Not only are telephones increasing in number, but the use of this instrument of service is rapidly becoming more popular and there are now more than 1,000,000 conversations carried on each day in the United States than there were on the first of last year.

The wire system of the telephone companies in the United States was increased by 4,200,000 miles during 1927 and there are now about 63,000,000 miles of telephone wire in use. Of this immense mileage, more than 90 per cent is in underground cable.

Cable, as much as any other factor, has been responsible for the great development of the telephone industry. Without cable containing thousands of wires, modern telephone systems could not exist. If it were still necessary to use open wire lines the number of streets in every city would have to be increased several times to allow for the use of pole lines and open wire to serve the demands for telephone service.

MAYFLOWER

Mr. Lionel Yohn has installed a radio.

Mrs. Manro Yohn spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Resin Buckingham.

Mrs. Kester Myers spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Merle Yohn and family.

Mrs. John L. Freyman spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Barnes and family. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Merle Yohn, daughters Mary, Pearl and Teresa, and son Merle Lindbergh.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baker and family spent Sunday with Mr. Samuel Stuller.

Those spending Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Manro Yohn were Mr. and Mrs. Russell Koontz and son Manro, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Baker and daughters Marie and Catherine.

In 1918, our boys were saying "They shall not pass" in France, but in 1928, they will soon be saying "They shall not pass to first base," on our baseball diamonds.

DAIRY

DOMESTIC BULL MOST DANGEROUS

A big game hunter on returning from Africa said that the most dangerous animal in the world was not the lion or the tiger, but the farmer's domestic bull. An Eastern farm journal for many months has been editorially mentioning fatal experiences of farmers with bulls and in nearly every issue the name of some farmer is recorded who has lost his life through placing too much trust in the herd sire.

There are few neighborhoods in which one or more farmers have not been killed by bulls in the last 20 years, and many bearing scars of attacks which through some miracle did not result in death says a writer in the Michigan Farmer. It is the gentle bull which usually becomes enraged and attacks its owner. A farmer who works around a docile bull for many months may become careless and forget the tremendous power of that animal which with the powerful head and shoulders can easily crush a man in spite of every effort to fight back.

A few months ago we visited a prominent Holstein breeder who entered the box stall of his herd bull with the animal on a stout metal staff. The bull charged the owner but by placing the staff in the corner of the stall he was able to keep the animal braced away until help arrived. It proved the value of keeping the bull on a staff when led.

At the Michigan state college and on farms where bulls have metal and concrete staffs and exercise yards there are few fatalities. But herd bulls in pastures and ordinary barnyards are a constant menace. This is true also when feeding them and cleaning their stalls. Every moment one's attention is taken from the animal there is danger of being knocked down and trampled. Farming is a hazardous business if carelessness prevails in looking after the bull.

Silage Without Tramping Is Favored by Wisconsin

Make silos higher and do away with tramping the silage—maybe that's what we will be doing in a few years.

A few years ago a silo at the University of Wisconsin farm was filled without tramping, and the silage kept in such good shape that since then all have been filled in that way. One or more sections of distributer pipe are used and a man at the top distributes the silage.

The silage settles more if not tramped, but more silage can be run in as soon as it settles—a common practice even where tramping is practiced.

In view of these facts, why not build the silo a little higher and save the extra labor of tramping?

Besides, engineering experts say it takes less power to fill a high silo than a low one, strange as that may seem.

Along with this goes the fact that a great many silage cutters are being run too fast. By reducing the speed somewhat, a larger pulley can be put on and smaller engines or tractors used to run the cutters. Lower speed makes the machinery last longer.

Fly wheel cutters less than 11 inches in diameter are not economical. Better results come from a medium-sized machine at comparatively slower speed.

New York College Gives Plans for Ventilation

Carefully conducted studies made by the New York State College of Agriculture during two months of each of the past five winters show that the walls and ceilings of dairy stables, as well as the lofts of dairy barns can be kept dry by proper ventilation. It has been found, also, that ventilation can be accomplished with less material, less labor, and at less cost than was formerly supposed, according to A. M. Goodman at the New York State College of Agriculture at Ithaca, N. Y.

Most dairy barns need only one good chimney or out-take flue; few of them need more than two. The construction of the chimney is the greatest expense of the whole installation. The part of these chimneys that goes from the floor of the mow to the eaves of the barn must be built while the mows are empty. The upper part of the chimneys and, in fact, all the rest of the system may be put in when the loft is full, he says.

By building the upper part of the out-take flue when the mows are full, no high climbing is necessary and practically no scaffolding is needed, but it should be remembered that part of the out-take flues must be built before hay is put in the mows or while the mows are empty.

Barn Space for Cow

The cubic space allowance per cow is not the most important thing in a barn. Proper ventilation is of much more importance than the number of cubic feet of air allowed per cow. However, 600 to 800 cubic feet of air space should be provided for each cow, and in addition an efficient ventilating system must be provided. The recommended cross-sectional area of outlet flues is 36 square inches per cow, and a somewhat greater total area is required in the intake flue.

"THE OUTSIDER"

Few plays of recent years have approached "The Outsider" as a thrilling, stimulating and provocative evening of theatrical entertainment. Few plays within the memory of present day playgoers have introduced a character as baffling and as thoroughly interesting as Ragatzy, the diplomatless bone-setter in Dorothy Brandon's remarkable play that Edwin H. Knopf and his repertory players are reviving at the Auditorium. It was in this very theatre that Baltimore playgoers had their first opportunity to see this English play, prior to its New York run several seasons ago. Ann Davis played Lalage Sturdee, the surgeon's daughter for whom Ragatzy defies the opposition and skepticism of her eminent father and attempts a cure through the use of his famous rack. Miss Brandon never quite solves the problem for us. Whether the rack or faith to perform Ragatzy's miracles is something that the playgoer must determine for himself. Ragatzy, who began life as a splints-maker's apprentice, retains characteristics of a charlatan when all is said and done. The eminent surgeons who opposed him and succeeded in having him rejected by the Royal College of Surgeons, are left non-plussed, however, by his seeming miracles. "The Outsider" was a London sensation of a few seasons ago, and repeated its English success in this country, filling a long and profitable engagement at the New York Forty-Ninth Street Theatre and later touring from coast to coast with remarkable success. Realizing the remarkable success of "The Outsider" in Baltimore, Edwin H. Knopf has long planned to revive the play with his excellent repertory company, but postponed the production until Miss Ann Davis was once more available for the part of Lalage Sturdee, a role that she created in Baltimore. Last week Miss Davis wired that she would come and the play was promptly cast and made ready for production. The part is undoubtedly the outstanding role in Miss Davis' stage career, a role that splendidly compliments her unusual beauty and affords exceptional opportunity for her fine histrionic talent. Jose Ruben will be cast as Ragatzy. This splendid French actor, trained at the Theatre Libre, the Odeon and in the company of the late Sarah Bernhardt, is admirably equipped to interpret a wide variety of roles. Few, however, offer the exceptional opportunities of the role of Ragatzy, opportunities that Ruben's Gallic temperament and Parisian training will enable him to realize to the full. Anne Morrison, Penelope Hubbard, Robert Rendel, Manart Kippen and others of the Knopf repertory company will be prominently cast in Dorothy Brandon's remarkable play.

IMPORTANT SEASON WILL CLOSE

On Tuesday, January 31, one-half hour after sunset the curtain will fall on the hunting of wildfowl in the State of Maryland. It is hoped that every sportsman will, on that evening, hang up the "old musket" and give it a rest until next Fall.

The State law which conforms with the Federal law provides that it shall be unlawful to hunt wildfowl of any species, coots, Gallimules, wilson snipe or jack-snipe in the State of Maryland between January 31st and November 1st, both dates exclusive. Hunters are also warned that the possession of carcasses of wild ducks, geese or other migratory game birds in cold storage plants or elsewhere for a period longer than ten days following the close of the open season will subject them not only to State but Federal prosecution. It is hoped that the sportsman had a most successful hunting season and that the game laws will be observed during the closed season on all game.

It might be of interest for the public in general to know that the Game Department contemplates distributing approximately 14,000 rabbits in the covers of the State as well as approximately 6,000 bob-white quail during the next two months. Contracts have been given to the brokers and shipments will begin within the next week or so, and it is for this season that the department is again soliciting the co-operation of all the sportsmen throughout the State in assisting our wardens and the Department as a whole in protecting the game during closed season. Much game can be propagated if protected from the worthless dogs and house cat. The pot-hunter is becoming a thing of the past since he does not have many friends among the sporting element.

Political bombshells are exploding frequently, but there is not much but gas in most of them.

The people who believe that war is a good thing, now have a chance to gain its advantages by going down to Nicaragua to join our marines.

It is a fine thing to make a lot of ambitious plans for 1928, but a still finer thing to pay up all old bills left over from 1927.

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