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CITY AND COUNTY NEWS IN BRIEF

Social Happenings of Caroline As Reported to The Union.

The dance in the Masonic Hall on Thursday was well attended.

Mrs G. T. Redden has been visiting friends on the Western shore.

Mrs Sallie Williams is spending a few weeks at Federalsburg.

Miss Hilda Cade is visiting Mrs. Lester Hakesley, Boston, Mass.

Mr. Robert Anderson of Philadelphia is visiting Mrs J. A. Beck.

Mrs. Belva Wheatly of Chester is the guest of D. T. Hammond.

Mrs. Wayne Cawley and son are visiting her relatives in Chicago.

Mrs. John L. Everngam visited her mother at Hickman this week.

Miss Edith Yardling of Washington spent the week end with friends in town.

Misses Emily Johnson and Eva DeFord spent a few days in Baltimore last week.

Mr. William G. Ball of Easton spent a few days with his daughter Mrs. Page.

Mrs. W. D. Taylor visited her sister, Mrs John Stevens at Hickman on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meyer are spending a few days at home of Mrs Allen Russell.

Mr. Winfield Nichols has returned to her home after having spent the week at Ocean City.

Miss Jessie Passappe of Baltimore spent the week end with her sister Miss Olevia Passappe.

Mrs. Louis Cole and daughter of Baltimore are spending some time with Mrs. Emily DeFord.

Mr. and Mrs. Alda Whitby motored to Pocomoke City on Sunday and spent the day with his sister,

Mrs. Lane Moore and children Gladys and Lane Jr. of Philadelphia are visiting relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reynolds and daughter of Newark have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Fisher.

Mrs. Wm. Beckwith entertained Mrs Bessie Redden and Mr. and Mrs Robert Meyer at supper Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Senlow and daughter of Reading, Pa. are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs Thomas R. Green.

Misses Mary and Louise Garey entertained a number of their friends at bridge on Thursday both morning and evening.

Mrs. Savage and two grandchildren Genevive and Harold Smith of Wilmington, are spending some time with Mrs J. W. Frampton.

The Holiness camp has attracted large gatherings every night this week and the services are reported as quite interesting and successful.

Mrs John E. George, of Sudlersville has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Miss Margaret Madeline George, and Mr. Edgar P. Young, of New York.

The wedding of Miss Eva DeFord of Denton and Mr. A. G. Packard of Newport News took place at the home of the brides mother Mrs Emily Deford on Monday July 26th 6.45 o'clock, A. M. The bride and groom left immediately after the cermony for a wedding trip.

The oppressive heat that prevailed the latter part of last week was relieved Saturday night by an electric storm which covered the peninsula and reduced the temperature. Although accompanied by a strong winds and hail in some places the damage reported has been very slight.

The children of the Episcopal Sunday School spent Wednesday in an Automobile excursion to Tolchester Beach where they enjoyed the day, returning home late in the evening happy and tired. On Thursday, yesterday, the same resort was visited by the children of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Murphy of Bound Brook, New Jeasey, Mr. and Mrs. William Bowie and son George of Aroostook County, Maine were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Hegeman at Salisbury the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy and their daughter Mrs. Bowie were for several years residents of Vernon, and are known to many of our older residents.

OLD INDUSTRY REVIVED

Soaring Prices Of Sugar Make Its Operation Profitable.

Near Eldorado, on the farm of J. J. McGordy, may be seen a sorghum mill of very primitine construction dating back perhaps 75 years Until recent years this mill has been idle and considered of little value, owing to the low cost of molasses, but since the high cost of molasses dating from the opening of the war these primitive mills, many of which are located on the Delaware-Maryland Peninsula, have been cleaned up and made to do good work and manufacture a high-grade of sorghum.

Last season Mr. McGordy was able to run his mill from early fall, when the cane ripened, until the end of the year.

Mr. McGordy's mill is perhaps the oldest in this section having been used before the Civil War near Laurel, Del., it is large and rough in construction, but it turns out a fine quality of sorghum juice. The burr is made of steel, the frame of wood and the pan or tank of copper. There are three compartments in the pan. Juice flows into the tank as it is crushed from the cane. Each compartment is heated to a certain degree of heat, which is determined more by the apperance of the juice than by any register of the degrees; It takes four hours to fill the tank with juice. The tank holds from 50 to 60 gallons. The sorghum may be used for the same purpose as molasses; in fact, if the proper machinery were employed it could be crystalized into sugar.

This mill can be operated by two men and four horses. The horses are attached to a long sweep and move around in a circle. The mill will burn about one cord of good wood in making 100 gallons of sorghum. If the cane is heavy it requires hard pulling for the team, and it is now a very expensive way of getting sorghum. The manufacturs have notified the growers that the price of making sorghum will be 50 cents a gallon, due to the advance in wood, labor and in horse feed.

An acre of good land adapted to the growth of cane will produce enough cane to make from 100 to 200 gallons of sorghum. The acreage this year is larger than was ever known in that section. This is brought about by the high cost of sugar and molasses.

Two Games Last Week.

The new Denton Baseball Club played its first game last last Thursdap at Centreville and made a very creditable showing, although they lost the game to their opponents.

It was a close score, 5 to 4, and both teams worked well and played good ball. There were few errors and two close decisions that went to the Centreville players were the awards that gave them the victory.

Brittingham and Meredith were the Denton battery and Shallenbery, Perry and Callahan worked the pill for Centreville.

It was a game that kept the fans on tip-toe from start to finish. Bradley and Walls were the umpires.

The Denton line up was: Hughes, Newcomer, Johnson, Lednum, Clifton, Allaband, Clark, Roe, Brittingham and Meredith.

On Saturday afternoon the strong Easton Club played our boys at Denton. The field was in such condition that neither club did good work. The game was chiefly notable for its errors which came in singles, doubles and bunches from both visitors and home boys.

Johnson delivered for Denton and Tripp for Easton and both pitched good ball.

In spite of the handicap it was an interesting game and kept the fans going all the way through.

At the seventh inning the game was called because of the storm which drove everybody to shelter. Denton was in the lead, the score being 7 to 6.

Both teams showed good form and several snappy plays were made but if our boys are going to play ball in Denton the necessity for putting the grounds in condition was certainly emphasized very forcibly.

No games have as yet been arranged for next week. Manager Hughes is open for an engagement with any good club.

In the meantime how about a scraper and a roller for the Denton diamond?

Miss Jopp of Chester is visiting friends in and around Denton.

WEEKLY PICKUPS HERE AND THERE

Scissors and Paste and Musings of Our Editorial Chief.

It is the purpose of the American Union to give the people of Caroline county a real news service as soon as we can get the office in good shape. As a starter we call attention to last weeks issue. On page eight the full text of Senator Hardings speech of acceptance was printed and on the streets of Denton by five o'clock Thursday afternoon. The speech was not delivered until Thursday and was not released to publishers for use until two o'clock in the afternoon. The American Union presents this feature to its readers several hours before the afternoon papers containing it reached Denton.

Whose Business Is This?

Branches of considerable size, wrenched from trees by last Saturday's storm, still hang threatening overhead, supported by tree limbs and wires in different parts of the city. They will fall sooner or later and menace the public safety until they do. If they cripple or kill someone when they fall who will be responsible.

To Contest Will.

Four of the six heirs-at-law of John N. Wright, of Dorchester county, who resided near the county, are contesting his will in which he devised practically his entire estate to two other heirs-at-law.

Mr. Wright died recently at the age of 90. The estate is estimated at $225,000. T. Alan Goldsborough, of Denton represents the contestants, who are Mrs. Lida Elder, of Philadelphia; Mrs. Hattie Tatem, of Baltimore; Henry M. Wright, of Akron, Ohio, and Frank Wright, of Caroline county.

Denton Needs

Employing industries to make the city attractive to heads of families who are wage earners and young men and women who are being drawn to other places by the demands of more agressive industry.

Better amusements and recreation for both young and old that will keep them satisfied with the old home town and employ their minds and energies in healthful and beneficial actvity.

More civic pride. More loyalty to her splendid natural opportunity and resource and more enthusiastic effort to give her such a place on the map as she really deserves.

Looking To Tennessee.

In preparation for the special session of the Tennessee Legislature on August 9, Governor Roberts has announced a special election for August 5. to fill 12 vacancies in the Legislature.

The National Woman's Party campaign for ratifiaation in Tenessee, according to a statement issued at the national headquarters, will be concentrated for the next few days on a pledge for ratification from all candidates in these elections.

The suffragist poll shows 13 of the necessary 17 men pledged in the Tennessee Senate. Of these nine are Democrats and four Republicans. In the House 35 of the necessary 50 members are pledged, including 26 Democrats and 9 Republicans.

Sussex Corn King.

Shedrach Short, one of the best known farmers of the southwestern section of Sessux County, died Sunday night at his home near Gumboro, at the age of 92 years. His wife, who is about 88 years of age, and four sons, Parron T. and Thomas of Gumboro, John H. of near Georgetown, and Elijah of Cannons, survive him. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Sallie Penuel who is aged 93 years. He was a uncle of former Sheriff Robert Short and Mrs. Hearn, of Georgetown.

The deceased was one of the largest landowners in lower Delaware and for many years was widely known as the corn king of Sussex County. We are reliably informed that he has been known to raise as much as fifteen thousand bushels of corn in one year. He was very highly respected by all who knew him.

The Maryland Water and Softener Co., of Philadelphia, have been awarded the contract for a filtration plant in Elkton.

THE McCAULEY WILL

Missing Document Supplied In a Curious Manner

After a vain serch lasting for several weeks' by relatives of the late John McCauley, of Kennedyville, for his will, there arrived at the Chestertown post office this week, a letter addressed to the judges of the Orphans' Court. the contents of which is a written document, purporting to be the last will and testament of the Kennedyville hermit, who died on June 22, last. His estate is valued at more than $100,000.

Neither the instrument nor the envelope in which it waa sealed contained a single word to indicate from whence it came nor in whose possession it had remained during the weeks since the death of the recluse.

The disposition of the farm lands and cash had been a source of great puzzlement to the court. Search after search has been made for a will and friends and the few relatives of Mr. McCauley have been closely questioned as to his wishes. His old nurse and life-time friend, Mrs. Hesaner, whose home is opposite that formerly occupied by the deceased, told the Orphans' Court that she believed there had been a will, but wasn't sure. Just as the court was about to proceed on the theory that a will was non-existant, the mail brovght forth the document.

The will, while not expressed in technical form, is quite clear and consise as to the intent of the writer. The wording of the instrument, just as it is written, without puncuation, is as follows:

Kennedyville, Md., June 4, 1912.

This is to show what I want to do with the little I have after I am gone the farm where William M. Hurlock lives I want the Madam Hesaner to have her life time and want it kept in the Hesaner family and the place where I live I want Charles to have, the money I have in the banks to go to Madam Hesaner childrens and my brother in Philadelphia and if I hold any of Rosies paper at my death do not make him pay it.

JOHN McCAULEY.

On the back of the paper is written: "Will of John McCauley, Witnessed by us June 7, 1912. Tilghman Shafer and John R. Bennett.

This document was offered for probate by B. Groome Parks, Esq., yesterday, as counsel for the Hesaner family, named therein as beneficiaries. Hope H. Barroll, Esq., representing the direct heir-at-law, three nephews of the deceased, filed a caveat. The matter will now go to the Circuit Court for adjudication.

With the consent of all parties concerned, the Orphans' Court has appointed William M. Hurlock, of near Kennedyville, and William McCauley, son of Michael McCauley, of Philadelphia, as co-administrators have bonded in the sum of $60,000 cash,

Orphans' Court Proceedings.

Judges West, Harper and Shawn were present.

In the absence of the court, the Register of Wills for Caroline County, on application, granted letters of adminstration on the personal estate of John N. Dill, deceased, to J. Herbert Dill, Bond filed and approved, notice to creditors ordered and L. Irving Jones and Elwood C. Orrell, were named as appraisers.

Lucy E. Tribbett, administratrix of William M. Tribbett, deceased, filed an account of Sales of the personal property, which was approved by the Court.

On petition and Order of Court, Adah E. Hignutt and Fred R. Owens, administrators c. t. a. of George W. Hignutt, were authorized to amend their Account of Sales of the personal property.

Adah E. Hignutt and Fred R. Owens, administrators c. t. a. of George W. Hignutt, deceased, filed an interest account, a list of Sperate Debts, and their first and final account of administration, all of which was approved by the Court.

The Kent and Sussex county Fair, in progress at Harrington has been very successful up to the present time. Denton has been well represented and the rural districts of Caroline county have attended largely. Reports of what should be its best day are yet to come but indications are that the experiment will be an unqualified success.

Miss Anna Anthony visited Miss Marie Touser of Chambersburg, Pa,

OUR STATE AND THE PENINSULA

The Weekly Chronicle of Passing Events of Interest.

Campmeetings begin at Shiloh and Concord today.

Sudlersville is to have a street carnival next week.

The state camp P. O. S. of A. will be held at Sudlersville Monday and Tuesday.

Prohibition don't stop the moon from getting full. Watch the old gal tonight.

The subscription list of the American Union is growing. Help it along by sending in your name and dollar.

Dr. H. Arthur Mitchell, of E'kton who commanded the One Hundered and Thirteenth Field Hospital, in France is a patient at the University Hospital.

Cantaloupe growers who desire lithograph Labels for their shipping packages should call at the American Union office. We make a specialty of this class of peinting.

At a party given by Mr. and Mrs Dorsey Walls, the comunity spirit of Ellendale was shown when a public invitation for all in the town was published in a weekly news paper.

The first peaches shipped from Sussex sold for $1 per basket at the station. The indications are prices will be high. Apples are also coming into market and are bringing good prices.

Granville R. Bacon will erect a hansome and modern home on his farm. The farm is situated on the Laurel-Delmar road, about one mile from the town limits is considered a very valuable farm.

A large force of linemen from the American Telegraph and Telphone Co., are taking down the wires in the upper section of Cecil county the company having abandoned the line due to the underground system through Elkton.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Mattie Mae Wright, daughter of the Rev. John A. Wright, of Heborn, Md., a former pastor of First M. P. Church and William Edward Ritchie of Heborn. The cermony was performed at Heborn.

The marriage is announced of Miss Ellen Elizabeth Shockley to William Gilger Chapman. The cermony was performed May 30, Genoa, Italy, The bride is daughter of William Penn Shockley, formerly of Milford, Del., who lately has been in the consular service in Italy.

The state agriculture department has issued a bulletin which announces that Maryland has prospects for 171.000 more barrels of apples and 87,000 more bushels of peaches this year than last. The reports say that the indications are for especially large crops of York Imperial and Ben Davis varities.

The war department has announced through its director of sale that a large quantity of canned corn-beef, corn beef hash, roast beef and bacon will be offered to the American public through the wholesale and retail dealers of the country It is announced that meats are to be sold at figures far below the regular commercial prices for the same items.

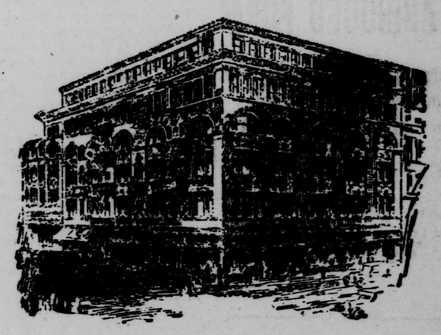
A horse driven by Miss Jane Chalmers was killed instantly in a peculiar manner at Newark on Monday. At the entrance of the Chalmers lane the horse stepped on a spot in the road way which had become charged with electricity from a 2300 voltage feed wire of the Wilmington and Philadelphia Traction Company, which furnishes current for Newark. Miss Chalmers was slightly shocked.

Auto Thief Wanted a Ford.

After cutting the locks of five automobiles in the garage of the Hotel Queen Anne, a thief broke into it and selected a Ford runabout and made off with it. This is the first time a thief has stolen anything from the garage.

Evidently he wanted a machine with a Delaware license, for the little car was the only one in the garage bearing one. He had broken the locks on much more valuable cars, but they all bore either Maryland or Pennsylvania license tags.

The machine that was stolen was owned by J. Gallagher, a commercial traveler.



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