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BUDGET DAY

NEXT Tuesday is known as Budget Day in Caroline County for the county schools. Dr. Cook, State Superintendent of Education will be present to give talks to the teachers and also to the patrons on the needs of the schools in this county. The needs of the schools are great and every patron from every section of the county should be at the Court House to express their approval of the bills which will be asked of the County Commissioners for the coming school year.

One of the needs is more money for the teachers. A statement recently issued by the school authorities, and found in another column of this paper, states that two-thirds of the teachers of Maryland are second or third rate and that only one-third have fulfilled the requirements of first rate teachers. This is not the fault of the teachers, but of the school districts who refuse to pay the teachers a living wage, who expect them to spend from four to eight years or more after leaving the grades in preparing for the great work of teaching the children, and then refuse to give them money enough in return for their services so that the teacher may live and receive a little interest on the money he has gladly invested in the preparation for this work.

Due to the poor salaries usually paid to teachers, thousands of them have left the profession and have taken more remunerative positions in other states or in other businesses, leaving a scarcity of teachers.

This scarcity of good teachers means that the school authorities must fill the depleted ranks of the teachers from applicants who have not completed their education sufficiently to entitle them to first rate certificates. As a result of this poorer class of teachers, the children are not receiving the instruction which they should, it being of an inferior grade. The proper instructions are not given them and as a consequence, if the situation is unchanged the next generation will be less educated than the present.

Another pressing need is a school building in Denton which will house the grades and high school. Last year the High School was lacking for two rooms for two classes, thus forcing the students to crowd and jam and to omit certain studies for which the curriculum called. The other towns of this county have received new school buildings and the people of Denton have helped them secure theirs. It is now up to the other towns to return the favor and work toward the securing of a new building for Denton.

Many other questions will come up and it behooves every patron to attend the Budget Day meetings and see to it that the Commissioners give the proper financial support to the schools of this county.

WHAT ABOUT GARBAGE

WARM weather is drawing near and the question of garbage again comes up as to what to do with it during the summer months so as to remove it and leave the homes clean and free from contaminating things.

Every town, large or small, should have some means of disposing of garbage so that there could be no danger of disease coming from the garbage dumps. Not only are garbage dumps likely to breed disease, but they do breed flies and if cans are also thrown on the dump, these fill with water and are the breeding places for mosquitoes.

In a number of towns private individuals make money on the disposal of garbage. They make arrangements with the residents to remove their garbage two or three times each week for the sum of ten or fifteen cents a week. While this sum seems small, yet when there are a number of residents who remove their garbage in this way it amounts to a tidy sum.

In other towns, the officials contract with a man to remove the garbage, paying so much a year and the residents who use the service pay a small amount each week.

Our Town Commissioners are wide awake, energetic men and are willing to give the voters of this town what they want. If the citziens will get together and make the request, we believe that the Town Commissioners would grant the request and see to it that the town garbage is cleaned up and the residents would have no fears as to disease coming in to this community from any lack of precautions taken in the removal of garbage.

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A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

THE EVENING SENTINEL
Ansonia, Conn, Apr. 20, 1921.

Mr. Gilbert H. Rue,
Editor, American Union,
Denton, Maryland.

Dear Sir:

Through the kindness of some one I have received sample copies of the two first issues of the Denton Union under your management. I want to say to you that I like these two first numbers as indicating the most progressive step that has been brought to my notice of newspaper enterprise within Caroline County within a half century. In recognition of this I am enclosing, herewith, check for $1.00 for one year's subscription.

As a former owner and editor of the Denton Union, I am interested in the publication. It has been with many regrets that I have observed the publication gradually fade away. The Union, while started by people other than my father back in the fifties, early in its history came into his possession and remained in the family for many years. I spent five years of my own life in the editing and publishing of the Union, setting my own type, printing the paper and sometimes delivering copies to the subscribers in Denton. In those days I had one boy to assist me. The opportunities for business were not numerous nor was development at all promising at that period. That was why I left it.

I want to express to you my appreciation of your effort to make a better newspaper and believe that you will succeed. You seem to be putting more of the modern idea of reporting into the paper than any of your predecessors have done, and while development may be slow at first it seems to me that the effort, persistently continued, must ultimately achieve success.

Wishing you a large degree of prosperity and hoping that the Union may become more popular and have a larger clientele than it has ever had before (this will not be at all difficult), I am

Very truly yours,
J. M. EMERSON,

FLOUR AND SUGAR PRICES ARE DROPPING

Bakers May Reduce Bread Rates; Lard Cheaper; Eggs Same

The food markets showed a price decline again Saturday and in two of the most indispensible foods—sugar and flour. Sugar has dropped half a cent, from 9 cents to 8½, and there is a happy prospect that it may go still lower. And flour, which last week had dropped about $1 a barrel on the retail price, has undergone another reduction—about 75 cents—this week. The price of flour Saturday was $10.50 a barrel, as compared with $11.25 the week before. This is a difference of about 30 cents on the 100 pounds. In consequence of the lowered price of flour some of the bakers are beginning to reduce the price of their bread. The half-cent reduction in the price of sugar, said a dealer, is of sufficent importance to affect the entire food market.

Another conspicuous reduction is in the price of lard, which was 20 cents a week ago and is now 18 cents. Pork shoulders were 20 and 22 cents a week ago, and are now 18 to 20 cents. Otherwise, meat prices are about what they were last week, and this includes poultry. Owing to the races and the Jewish holidays, which have increased the demand for poultry, especially in the hotels, the wholesale prices in the poultry market have stiffened a little, but for the past two weeks there have been no changes in the retail prices

Butter and egg prices also remain as they were a week ago, the finest grade of butter selling for 60 cents, and a good grade of Western butter for 55 cents. Eggs are 38 cents for extra large, selected eggs; 35 cents for the same quality of eggs, but not hand-picked, and 30 cents for fresh country eggs.

Strawberries are a little cheaper at 40 cents, and pineapples have undergone another appreciable reduction. They are 28 to 30 cents as against 35 to 50 cents a week ago, and 75 cents the week before that. Asparagus has dropped from 60 to 50 cents a bunch, and spinach from 12 to 10 cents a quarter peck.

New potatoes are cheaper than last week, ranging in price, according to size, from 10 to 20 cents a quarter peck.

SPECIAL SIZE BED HAS BEEN MADE FOR PRESIDENT

President Harding will sleep in a bed five feet wide and eight feet long, six inches wider and one foot eight inches longer than a standard size bed. The bed, rushed through by a furniture company on a special order, has been sent to Washington, where it has been set up in the President's bedroom in the White House

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(Signed)

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NOTICE —TO— Merchants, Traders, AND OTHERS.

ALL PERSONS AND BODIES CORporate or politic in Caroline county, who are or shall be exercising or pursuing any business, or shall be doing any act or thing, or shall be in the occupation of any house or place for which a license is made necessary by the laws of Maryland, are hereby warned to obtain a license or renew the same before the

FIRST DAY OF MAY NEXT,

under the penalty imposed by said laws for the infraction thereof.

Those interested are notified of the following requirements of the License Laws:

TRADERS' LICENSES.—The amount to be paid by Traders for licenses (the amount of stock at the principal season of sale to be given under oath) is as follows:

If applicant's stock in trade does not exceed $1000			$ 15 60
If over $1000	and not over $1500		18 60
" 1500	"	2500	20 60
" 2500	"	4000	25 60
" 4000	"	6000	30 60
" 6000	"	8000	40 60
" 8000	"	10000	50 60
" 10000	"	15000	60 60
" 15000	"	20000	80 60
" 20000	"	30000	100 60
" 30000	"	40000	125 60
" 40000			150 60

Females vending millinery and other small articles of merchandise, whose stock does not at any time during the year exceed five hundred dollars, shall be entitled to a license on paying $6.60, but if stock exceeds five hundred dollars, shall pay the same rates as other persons, the amount of stock in trade to be ascertained by oath, as in other cases.

The applicant must either make oath as heretofore, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county where he is engaged in business, of the amount of goods kept on hand at the principal season of sale, or the oath may be administered by a Justice of the Peace when a person wanting a license applies through an agent.

Persons may sell salt to cure fish in March, April and May without license.

HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS must renew their licenses on or before the first day of May as other traders. These rates are as follows:

To travel on foot	$100 00
With one horse and wagon	$200 00
With two horses and wagon	$300 00

BROKERS.—Any person who shall make it his business to deal in any manner, on his own account or for others, in the purchase or sale of stocks, bills, notes, bank notes or other obligations, shall be deemed and taken to be a broker. The rates are as follows:

Real Estate Broker	$ 25 60
Merchandise, for each individual or member of firm	$ 75 60
Bill Broker	$ 50 60
Insurance Broker (granted by Insurance Commissioner)	$101 00
Exchange Broker	$100 00
EXHIBITION.—Circus	$ 30 00
Menageries	$ 15 00

LICENSES TO OWNERS AND KEEPERS OF STALLIONS AND JACKS.

The owner and keeper of every Stallion or Jack shall, before being permitted to stand or station such animal, pay to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of some one of the counties of this State the highest sum he intends to ask or receive for the season for one mare, and the receipt of the said Clerk, with the seal of the Court attached thereto, for said sum, shall be the license for stationing or standing such Stallion or Jack for one year from the date thereof; provided that in no case shall the sum directed to be paid by this section for licenses be less than $10, and that every Stallion or Jack upon which the said tax is paid shall be exempt from all other tax.

ESPECIAL ATTENTION OF OWNERS OF STALLIONS IS CALLED TO THE ACT OF 1892, CHAPTER 419, SECTIONS 1 AND 2, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That every owner or agent who may have the custody or control of any Stallion, who shall charge a fee for the service, of such Stallion, shall, before advertising or offering such services to the public for any fee, reward or compensation, file with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the county in which such owner or owners, agent or agents resides or in which such Stallion shall be kept for service, or if such service shall be offered in the city of Baltimore, then with the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, a written statement giving the name, age, pedigree and record, if it is known, and if not known then that the same is not known, the description, terms and conditions upon which such Stallion will serve. Upon filing such statement the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the county, or the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore, as the case may be, shall issue a certificate or license to the owner or owners, agent or agents having custody and control of such Stallion, that such statement has been filed in his office; they shall then post a written or printed copy of the statement so filed with such clerk in a conspicuous place in each locality in which said Stallion shall be kept for service.

SECTION 2. Every owner or agent who shall proclaim or publish a false or fraudulent pedigree or record or statement of any kind regarding any Stallion, and shall neglect or refuse to comply with the provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall forfeit all fees for services of such Stallion, and the person or persons who may be deceived or defrauded by such false or fraudulent pedigree or record or statements may sue and recover in any court of competent jurisdiction such damage as may be shown to have been sustained by reason of such false and faudulent representations.

OWEN N. DULIN
Sheriff of Caroline County.

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Cambridge Lodge No. 66, A. F. & A. M., have nearly completed their new temple. The estimated cost of the building and lodge room is $75,000. The lodge room is one of the most beautiful in the state, decorated in pure Grecian Doric style with most modern methods of lighting, heating and ventilating. The date for dedication of the temple has not yet been announced.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Given under my hand this nineteenth day of April, 1921.

GEORGIANNA SEEDERS,
Executrix of Annie E. Merriken, deceased. 4-22-3t

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