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## *GUN SET FOR THIEVES —OWNER WAS SHOT*

### Iram Crouse of Near Queen Anne Shot in Leg Friday Morning by Own Gun

### DIED SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Mr. Iram G. Crouse, aged 29, died Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Easton Hospital, from the effects of blood poisoning, following two operations.

Chicken thieves have ben operating in Queen Anne County for some time, and not satisfied with taking a few chickens, have cleaned out entire hen houses. In order to protect his chickens, Mr. Crouse had fixed a gun pointing toward the chicken house door from within. He attached a string to the gun and door, so that anyone opening the door would discharge the gun. Each morning Mr. Cruose had been careful to disconnect this armament before trying to enter himself. Then came last Friday morning, when, in a hurry and with his mind on other things, he forgot to remove the string. As a result the gun was discharged, and he received the bullet in the right leg below the knee.

He immediately got into his car and drove to the home of his neighbor, Mr. Arvel Cherry, a nephew of his wife. Mr. Cherry took the wheel and drove him to the office of Dr. Goldsborough, in Greensboro, where the wound was dressed.

The doctor called at the home of Mr. Crouse Friday noon and again Saturday, when he discovered traces of blood poisoning. Mr. Crouse was taken to the Easton Hospital at once. Upon their arrival, it was decided to operate at once to remove the diseased portions. The patient recovered nicely from this operation, which took place at 4 P. M.,but on Sunday morning it was found that the poisoning had gone too far, and that amputation would be necessary. This was performed about noon, but Mr. Crouse never fully regained consciousness, and died about 4 P. M.

Just before the operation in the morning, Mr. M. G. Crouse of Denton, brother of the injured man, visited him in the hospital and was recognized and talked to for several minutes.

Mr. Crouse is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sadie Cherry Crouse, and one son, Raymond, 2 years old. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Crouse, of near Quen Anne, also survive, and the following brothers and sisters:the Messrs. Phares Crouse, West Denton, M. G. Crouse, Denton, Harry and Elmer Crouse, Tuckahoe Station, Clifton Crouse, at home; Mrs. Ada Fisher, near Queen Anne, and Mrs. Mary Jackson, near Ruthburg.

Short funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, followed by services in the Church of the Brethren at Ridgely. Interment was made in the cemetery at Greensboro.

Relatives who were here for the funeral services from out of this section were Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Gibbell and daughter, Messrs. Ira anl Jacob Gibbell and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Crouse and three children, all of Myerstown, Pa.,Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller and daughter, Miss Lydia King, Miss Amanda Frantz and Mrs. Laura Weaver and daughter, all of Richland, Pa.

### MRS. VASHTI GAREY

Mrs. Vashti Saulsbury Garey, aged 65 died last Friday morning at the home of her daughter in Baltimore, where she had been for some time for medical treatment. Mrs. Garey was the daughter of the late James W. Saulsbury of Williston, and the widow of Col. Robert J. W. Garey. She had been an active member of the M. E. Church of Denton, and will be geatly missed by her many friends. She is survived by three sons and three daughters—Robert S. Garey, of Philadelphia; Col. Enoch B. Garey, of Baltimore; James A. Garey, of South Africa, recently arrived in this country; Mrs. Caleb Winslow, of Baltimore; Miss Louise Garey, a student nurse at Johns Hopkins, and Miss Mary Garey, at home.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at the late home in Gay Street, with Rev. V. E. Hills officiating, assisted by Rev. Harris Thomas, who took charge at the grave. Interment was in Denton Cemetery.

### Denton Community Club Meeting

The Denton Community Club held a fine meeting last Friday afternoon on the spacious lawn of Miss Anne Lewis. Mrs. L. V. Stevens, Mrs. R. A. Lucas and Miss Mary Hobbs assisted.

The greater part of the time was spent in preparation for the July 4th celebration. The subject for the afternoon was "Interior Decoration" to which Mrs. M. B. Stephens contributed an article, while Mrs. Hix Long entertained with singing. The next meeting will be July 15th with Mrs. A. K. Small. All who wish may bring bathing suits.

## FORTY-TWO WANT CHAUTAUQUA BACK

None of us have forgotten the very enjoyable days at the brown chautauqua tent from June 4 to 10. It was a treat to all who were ticket holders, those seven days, for the programs which the Swarthmore Chautauqua Association put on were exceptionally good.

Due to this latter fact, Denton is to have the chautauqua come again next year. Forty-two business men, firms, and public spirtied ladies of the community have signed as guarantors to bring the chautauqua back to Denton next year.

As these people want the Dentonians to have this splendid program again next year, let's all of us talk chautauqua from now until it comes and then we will be prepared for it.

The guarantors for next year are:

T. Pliny Fisher
W. I. Norris
W. W. Newcomer
F. E. Yeoman
F. J. Wright
Ira H. Samis
Fred R. Owens
F. W. Redden
J. Howard Pastorfield
Edna W. Shipman
F. Rawlins Camper
L. B. Towers
Nuttle Hardware Co.
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The American Union
Carolin Phillips Redden
Mrs. M. Bates Stephens
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J. L. Everngam
E. D. C. Hegeman
Harvey L. Cooper
Wy-Har Poultry Farm
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B. H. Johnson
J. Virgil Moore
James H. Nichols & Co.
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Edith G. Norman
Ferdinand Baynard
Elizabeth MacDonald
Norman L. Rairigh
E. H. Hirs
Dr. W. A. Smith
Harvey R. Lewis
Fred B. Nuttle
Percy Fisher
B. F. Johnson
M. L. Wyatt
Denton Drug Co.
Stephanie M. Ford
Ernest G. Cooper
T. Alan Goldsborough

## SPLENDID PROGRAM AT M. E. CHURCH

Children's Day in the M. E. Church was observed at the morning service by the usual songs and reitations. The altar was prettily decorated with flowers and plants with an arbor in the background.

The youngsters made a charming picture as, daintily dressed, and carrying flower baskets, they went through the exercises. An unusual feature occurred at the end—a playlet concerning Mother Earth, her sleepy flower babies, the sunbeam fairy and the raindrop fairy.

The church was filled, many people standing in order to witness the program.

Miss Margaret Pastorfield, who bore the burden of the affair, is to be congratulated on the excellent way in which the children went through their special service of prayer and praise. With the help of her assistants, she had trained each child wonderfully well,

The program follows:

Marching song, "On the Highway of the King," choir and Sunday School; Welcome Song, "We Hope You've Brought Your Smiles Along." responsive reading, Superintendent and Sunday School; recitation, "A Welcome," Dorothy Hammond; selection, Choir and Sunday School; prayer, the Rev. Mr. V. E. Hills; recitation, "Forget Me Not," Catherine Hirs; primary acrostic, Thirteen Small Tots; selection, Choir and Sunday School; Little Speeches by Little Folks, C. Greenly, Charlotte Anne Pastorfield and Mary Emily Breeding; recitation, "A Little Boy's Speech," Henry Smith, solo, "Jesus Loves Me," Polly Short; recitation, "Kind Deeds Can Never Die," John W. Lord; recitation, Jean Kauffman; selection, Choir and Sunday School; recitation, Frances Hignutt; "Dolly You Must Go to Bed," Julia Wilson and Chorus; exercise, "The Rosebud Band," Betty Walls, Alma Deen, Beatrice Deen and Katherine Yeoman; recitation, Charles Rickards; selection, Choir and Sunday School; recitation, James Wright; pageant, "The Flowers Party," Junior Girls.

### New Train Schedule

The M. D. & V. Ry. Co. will intsitute a new schedule beginning Sunday, June 26. There will be two trains each way a day. Trains to Baltimore will leave Denton during the week at 8:02 a. m. and 6:23 p. m. Leaving Baltimore for Denton at 6:40 a. m. and 2:30 p. m., arriving in Denton at 10:36 a. m. and 5:59 p. m. On Sunday the train will leave Baltimore at 7:55 a. m., arriving in Denton at 11:32 a. m. The return train on Sunday leaves at the same time as week days and arrives in Baltimore about 9:50 p. m.

You can deceive a young child about everything except his stomach.

## "Buy In Denton" Educational Campaign Is Now Beginning

### *THE AMERICAN UNION AND BUSINESS MEN ARE CO-OPERATING*

**Educational Advantages of "Buying in Denton" to Be Presented in a Series of Strikingly Forceful and Instructive Illustrations and Articles to Appear Weekly in the Columns of The American Union**

Here are ten reasons, that are good, why people in and around Denton should trade here:

FIRST—A town that is good enough for a man to live in is good enough for him to trade in.

SECOND—The good farmer puts everything back into the soil that he can. Likewise the good citizen should put all he can into his own community.

THIRD—If the farmer will patronize the merchant, then the merchant will in turn patronize the farmer, and mutual patronage brings mutual prosperity.

FOURTH—By keeping Denton earned money in Denton, there will be no danger of hard times or financial stringencies.

FIFTH—It is unreasonable that money earned in and around Denton should be sent to Chicago, St. Louis, New York, Philadelphia, or Baltimore; there to build beautiful churches, schools and skypiercing buildings. Where is the money coming from to build these things for us?

SIXTH—Every dollar invested or spent in Denton helps Denton and consequently you get a dollar's worth, while every cent sent out of Denton helps some other city or community.

SEVENTH—Community spirit is the greatest city builder known. "Buy at home" teaches community spirit above all things else.

EIGHTH—Intense cultivation of Denton's resources and advantages will make it a very wealthy city.

NINTH—It is to the individual benefit of every citizen of a community to trade in that community. It is the only sound, economic principle since out of the pockets of home industries are paid the taxes that support the commonwealth.

TENTH—Denton is a "farm" waiting for cultivation. Dollars planted here will bring in a surprisingly large harvest in a very short time. It will mean more jobs, bigger salaries, more homes and prosperity for all.

Citizenship and patriotism consist of something more than voting, paying taxes and cheering the flag. In case of war, could you respect a neighbor who deserted your flag, joined the enemy and fought against the country which had given him freedom, opportunity and happiness?

You can't afford to desert the community in which you live—from which you get your living. The welfare of your home community should be your first thought because you rise or fall with it.

BOOST DENTON—YOUR OWN HOME TOWN.

## PASSED WORTHLESS CHECK FOR TIRE TUBE

Last Sunday Sheriff Dulin received a telephone call from Sheriff Larrimore of Salisbury, stating that he had a man there that was wanted here for passing a worthless check on the night of April 14 to the Den-Mar Mobile Company.

The case was tried before Justice Wm. J. Rickards Wednesday afternoon and Arthur McAllister of Salisbury, pleaded guilty.

The story goes that on the night of April 14th, he with two other young men took a ride. Trouble overtook them on the way and they needed a new inner tube. One of the young men had check books from a number of different banks and he produced a check, a second wrote the check and McAllister, after telling a hard luck story received an inner tube and proffered a check for $15.38 to the Den-Mar Mobile Co. Mr. Clarence Roe, who waited on him, knew some of the people referred to by McAllister and thought the young man looked honest and gave him the tube at a reduced price, cashed the check and gave change for the balance of the check. The check was returned by the bank on which it was drawn.

Mr. McAllister paid the amount of the check on Wednesday and was held in $500 bond for the October term of court.

Wedding invitations and stationery a specialty at The American Union.

## *LEG BROKEN WHEN RUN OVER BY AUTO*

Fred Brown, 12 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Brown, received a fractured thigh Wednesday afternoon about 3 o'clock.

Fred had been riding on the back of a wagon going along Franklin street and when he got in front of his home, jumped off and started into the house. He had failed to notice an automobile coming back of the team and was knocked down, the front wheel passing over his leg, breaking it. The car was a seven passenger Pierce Arrow from Harrington with men in to see the base ball game, but was under control as the driver stopped it just after passing over the boy with the front wheel.

He was rushed to the office of Dr. Fisher where a temporary splint was fixed and then sent to the Easton hospital where he will receive excellent care and attention.

The driver was not held as it was not his fault that the boy was run over.

### New Garbage Cans

The Greensboro Community Club has contributed new garage cans to the town, says the Enterprise. If every one will throw their waste paper, ice cream plates, etc.in these new receptacles we will have a much cleaner town. We are glad to see the club taking such interest in our town.

## M. P.S VARY THEIR CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

Last Sunday was Children's Day at the Denton M. P. Church. At the morning service the pastor preached to the children of the Sunday School, using bottles to illustrate the sermon.

A crowded house was present to witness the exercises at night. A short program of songs, recitations and dialogues by the children consumed the first part, followed by a missionary pageant entitled "Lovest Thou Me." The idea of the pageant was to convince a self-satisfied family that the church is not for a few but that all classes and colors are looking to the church and no one has the spirit of the Lord who does not think of these as his brethren. The pageant ended with the Spirit of Love and her fairies enthroned on the highest pinnacle with the self-satisfied family, the poor at our door, the churchless of America and the nations of the world at her feet. An unusually large

### Institute Gathering

A meeting for the purpose of increasing interest in the Epworth League Institute to be held in Dover, Del., in July, was held at the M. E. Church last Friday night. The Revs. W. G. Harris of Wilmington, and George E. Sterling of Galena, Md., were present, and presented the institute in pictures, by the aid of a stereopticon.

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## FAREWELL SOCIAL TO MRS. DRAPER

A farewell party was given in honor of Mrs. William Draper, last Tuesday evening by the Choir and Official Board of the M. E. Church and her many friends, who exceedingly regret her removal to Baltimore.

The party, which came as a surprise to Mrs. Draper, was held in the lecture room of the church. After the arrival of about one hundred guests the program was begun, consisting of a piano solo by Miss Ella Carter, vocal solo by Mrs. Hix Long, piano solo by Mrs. G. H. Rue, trio by Messrs. Skirven, Rickards and Strong, two readings by Miss Ida Simmons, vocal solo by Mr. G. H. Rue, vocal solo by Miss Mildred Martin, a short speech by the Rev. Mr. V. E. Hills and the presentation of an exquisitely wrought gold pin to Mrs. Draper, vocal solo by Mr. Edwin Martin, a second trio by Messrs. Skirven, Rickards and Strong. Then followed delicious refreshments.

Though the affair was necessarily tinged with deep regret, for Mrs. Draper has been a part of Denton all her life and is closely connected with the hearts of so many people, yet it was as enjoyable as it is possible for such an occasion to be. At least Mrs. Draper can carry to Baltimore the knowledge that she is held in great esteem and love by her home town people. We sincerely trust that she will visit us frequently and some day will come back to live in Denton once more.

## WOMEN VOTERS MET IN EASTON

The Talbot County League of Women Voters held a most important meeting, on Tuesday, June 21, at the Talbot County Country Club, Easton, Md.

There were a creditable number of Caroline women present. The morning meeting was called to order about 11.30 by their chairman, who ably presented the state president Mrs. Charles E. Ellicott, State organizer Miss Engle, and Mrs. Wm. Malony, all of Baltimore. A number of Eastern Shore women representing Dorchester, Talbot and Caroline Counties were also given place on the program. At the morning session the speakers gave short, terse talks, which made the women quite ready for the larger meeting of the afternoon. During the luncheon hour Miss Engle assembled the Caroline women on one of the porches and from their number elected their country officers, being Mrs. A. Sisk of Preston, as chairman; Mrs. T. L. Day, Ridgely, as vice chairman; Mrs. Walter Wright, Preston, as Secretary; Mrs. M. B. Stevens, Denton, as Treasurer.

All of the speakers pled for better schools, and the attention of the women to better legislative bills and their untiring efforts to see those bills passed at the coming legislature. The keynote of the entire meeting was in regard to women becoming intelligent voters, giving heed to the various schools for citizenship which are to be inaugurated very soon, that as women they might exert correct influence in their respective polling places. They were urged to study government legislative progress, economy in administration and then watch carefully the results. The aims of the League of Women Voters were carefully stated and they were again and again impressed with their sacred duty, the precious heritage which had been consecrated to them and adding that the woman who fails is playing false to her sacred trust.

Mrs. Malony spoke especially on behalf of the primaries and besought the women to get into their respective parties.

Altogether it was admitted to be a most enjoyable and profitable day.

Those present from this section were Mrs. John Harker, Williston, Mrs. O. M. Hignutt, Willison, Mrs. Harry Cooper, near Denton; Mrs. John Wilson, Mrs. T. P. Fisher, Mrs. W. H. Rathell, Mrs. D. W. Davis, chairman third district, and Mrs. W. C. Beckwith, secretary third district, all of Denton.

## GEORGE H. MURPHY

George H. Murphy, aged 66 years, died at his home in Bound Brook, N. J., Saturday evening as the result of a fall sustained on April 21st, by which he received a broken leg and serious internal injuries.

Mr. Murphy was born in New Jersey, but had spent much of his life in Delaware. He will probably be remembered by many of our older citizens. With his father, William H. Murphy, he conducted a small farm and wheelwright business at Viola. Later they removed to Vernon where they were engaged in farming for several years, afterwards removing to Harrington where they conducted a wheelwright and undertaking business.

Mr. Murphy married Miss Anna Hardy of Kent County, who with two sons and one daughter, survive him.

## *FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION*

### Planned by Community Club, Will Include Base Ball, Parades, Etc.

### WILL SING IN EVENING

The Community Club has set the machinery in motion for an old time celebration of the National Birthday on July 4th. Complete plans for the event are not yet formulated, but there is enough in sight to give assurance of a good, enjoyable celebration, sans questionable or dangerous amusements—such a day's program as can be entered into and enjoyed by the entire family, from grandma to the kiddies without the probability of powder burns or unwholesome influences.

There will be two base ball games with Preston, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Preston has lost only a few games this season and is counting on taking the bacon home, but our boys think they want to feast that day.

A citizens meeting at the Court House last Monday night, called by the Community Club, formulated plans and appointed the following committees to put the plans in effect.

Band—H. L. Cooper, G. H. Rue and Dr. Smith.

Automobiles, decoration, parade and prizes—T. P. Fisher, Wm. G. Wooters, M. K. Newnam, Dr. F. J. Wright, W. D. Davis.

Baby Parade—Mrs. Davis.

Booths—W. Knowles, S. G. Nuttle, Reubin Rairigh, Frank Cole, J. Virgil Moore.

Advertising—B. F. Johnson, G. H. Rue.

Decorations—A. E. Miller.

Finance—H. L. Cooper, W. I. Norris, J. H. Pastorfield, T. A. Goldsborough, Mrs. T. P. Fisher, Mrs. Hix Long.

The young people are arranging for a dance in the evening. This will be preceded by a sing on the Court House lawn.

Everything points to a very enjoyable and successful day and Denton extends a cordial invitation to the countryside and neighboring towns to come and enjoy the program and help us celebrate the day that gave to the earth a model government.

Another meeting will be held tonight (Friday) at 8 p. m. in the Court House.

## DENTON LOSES FIRST GAME—5-0

The Denton Base Ball Club formally opened the base ball season by playing the semi-professional team of Harrington, Del. This is probably the strongest team on the Peninsula, consisting of all hired players.

The Denton boys were on their toes all through the game and played like real baseball players.

The features of the game were the pitching of Johnson for Denton and Doughty for Harrington. While the score at the end of the game stood 5 to 0 in favor of Harrington, it was not the fault of our pitcher, as Johnson held the visitors to very few hits and struck out as many men as the other moundsman.

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### Denton, 16—Federalsburg, 15

On Monday the Married Men's Base ball Club of Federalsburg journied to Denton to meet the Married Men's' Club. They of course had a good time, but went home a sadder but wiser bunch of married men. The feature of the game was the heavy hitting by the Denton Club. Score, Denton, 16, Federalsburg, 15.

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### Denton, 23—Hickman, 3

The Hickman Base Ball Club came to Denton on Saturday, crossing bats with the Denton Club and went down to the tune of 23 to 3. We might add that thsi was not Hickman's day out.

### Greensboro Won Championship

The Greensboro Hign School volley ball team, composed of Misses Ruth Jackson, captain; Mary Dill, Grace Stufft, Bessie Edwards, Helen Bilbrough, Rebecca Lane and Anna and Katherine Kibler won the State championship of this event at the State Track Games in Baltimore June10.

The contest in this sport was on among 16 teams and Greensboro kept in the game until they won the finals from Baltimore County by the score of 13 to 12 against Towson. This is the team which won the volley ball contest at Preston during the County Meet.

### Epworth League Social

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church will hold a social in the Sunday School rooms tonight (Friday).

A musical program will be given, games, etc. Light refreshments will be served. All members and friends of the League are requested to be present.

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