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HOW CAN WE FORGET ?

Only three and one-half years since the armistice was signed and the boys started to come home. Some are still "over there" on the Rhine, wishing they could come home.

During the war at every entertainment, in every moving picture house and theatre, the country over, the Star Spangled Banner was played at the beginning of each performance, and if we did not know it before, we learned it then, the allegiance we owe to our national anthem and the flag. During those days it would not have been healthy for any man, woman or child to remain seated, or men to wear their hats while the national anthem was being played or sung, yet, such a short space of time after this great conflict, and on a day set aside for the honoring of the men who fought and died in this and all other wars of this country, there were many who forgot to stand at attention, keep quiet, or sing and for the men to uncover, when the Star Spangled Banner was sung on Sunday at the Memorial Day services in the cemetery. Even when it was called to their attention from the platform, after two verses were sung and before the last verse was begun, many still remained seated on the grass or with heads covered, among whom, we regret to say, were seen ex-service men.

On Memorial Day in our capital city, a beautiful memorial was dedicated to that wonderful man—Abraham Lincoln. Were he alive today, he could not have forgotten, and in the dedication of this magnificent memorial, the people of this United States have not forgotten him, nor the famous words he spoke at Gettysburg in memory of those who had "given their last full measure of devotion." Shall we not so implant it in our minds and hearts that whenever and wherever we hear that glorious old anthem sung or played that each and every one of us will immediately come to attention, uncover our heads and stand erect until the last note dies away.

SHOULD THEY BE SAVED ?

One of the greatest blessings of the day is electricity. Already it has worked wonders, and its possibilities are only now being discovered. Yet there is another blessing, too, which in our desire for electricity we often overlook. It seems a pity that one should interfere with the other, and so have to be sacrificed. It takes so long to grow a tree—and trees are as necessary in their way as electricity—that it seems as though some way might be found to prevent their being lopped off and trimmed away and cut down in the towns to make room for the electric and telephone wires.

Granted, that electricity is perhaps more vital to our needs than a tree; granted that wires and trees cannot rub shoulders together; granted that the easiest way is simply to chop off a few branches from some glorious old tree, the result of fifty or more years of slow growth. Isn't there some way to reconcile the two, so that we may not lose our shade trees? Doesn't it cause a pang to every lover of beauty to seee the men cutting down in a few minutes that which it has taken so long to grow? Trees are one of the ways town and country can be made beautiful. Every day their importance is being stressed in the planning of the town beautiful. Then why upset what we already have? Isn't there some other way?

RAILROADS RIDE FOR A FALL

The railroads and the government are deadlocked again, and as a result the farmer is to be the victim. Experienced in contests with Washington, the railroad magnates flatly declined the proposals of President Harding, and on the heels of the decision, comes the Inter State Commerce Commission's order, lowering freight rates an average of ten per cent. The roads may now test the order in the courts, and so another long wrangle will begin. The reductions ordered will not affect farm products, and passenger tariffs remain as they are, so old High Cost of Living wins again.

The great wail of poverty from the railroad men, backed by figures to show that lower freight rates will be ruinous, was expected. It is always possible to make out a case of this kind. The packers, with millions on hand, plead poverty and fractional profits so tiny that they actually turn into losses at times. It is amazing where they get their millions out of their losses. Railroad bookkeeping systems are intricate and possibly misleading. If the railroads cannot stand a reduction below their present rates, which spell death to the farmer and high living prices to the public, then they must be very badly managed. We are prone to boast of our railroad systems when those of other nations are discussed, but the truth is, the cost of travel in this country is so outrageously high, that it is a serious handicap to business. So far as the freight rates are concerned, they are hardly open to discussion. They are a millstone around the neck of the producer. It is true the stockholders are entitled to a fair return on their investment, but summed up, either railroad management is incompetent, the valuation of the roads is excessive, or the roads are looting the public. The latter does not seem to be the fact if figures are to be accepted on their face appearance. The chief trouble seems to be that it is impossible to reach a fair valuation of the railroad systems because by the time the compilation is completed, the values have changed. And so the merry whirl goes on. The railroads are riding with a high hand again and unless they come forward with some much clearer explanation than they have to date, they are riding for a fall, and most likely will drop into the maw of the government.

CAPPER TEARS OFF THE MASK

Senator Capper is making a gallant fight for the farmers in connection with tariff legislation, tearing off the mask of the American valuation plan, which he describes as a cloak to hide the enormous tariff imposed in the interest of certain manufacturers. These manufacturers, Mr. Capper explains, want still higher duties and the only way they expect to get them is to have them appear in the guise of higher values. Thus in one fell swoop, the Kansas Senator has punctured the spurious patriotic cry for an "all American tariff." The cheap appeal, he says, must not influence the decision of the lawmakers. There have been too many blunders made as a result of popular clamor aroused by some catch phrase. American valuation by increasing the height of the tariff wall, would limit the exportation of American agricultural products in exchange for the manufactured goods bought in foreign countries. It is the old battle—the manufacturer against the farmer—the battle that has been won by the manufacturer for years, because the farmers were unorganized. Conditions, however, seem to be changing. Senator Capper appears as a new Richmond in the field and unless all signs fail, he will win a victory for the men who produce the wealth of the nation. If American valuation is to be used as a method of concealing increases in protective tariff rates, then it is clearly inimical to the farmer and should have no place in our government system.

FULLER BRUSH CO. SALESMEN COME HERE FOR CONVENTION

Twenty-eight live representatives of the Fuller Brush Company, Hartford, Conn., held a general get-together meeting and convention in Denton last Friday. All the men covering counties on the Eastern Shore of Maryland were present and welcomed as visitors the Eastern district manager as well as branch managers from Camden, N. J., Harrisburg, Pa., and Philadelphia branch offices.

The meeting was opened by Eastern District Manager A. J. McDonald and was followed by interesting talks by L. A. Meli, Wilmington manager and visiting managers, Teese, Moody, Frawley, Mueller and Thomas.

A special feature of the meeting was the spirited singing of company songs, under the able leadership of Messrs. Mueller and Teese.

The Fuller Brush Company today is one of the largest brush companies in the world, selling their products all over the United States, Canada, the West Indies and Hawaii, direct to the user, through their army of 4000 representatives, eliminating the profit of the middleman and assuring the customer a unique and distinctive service.

The Fuller Brush Company is represented in Caroline County by Mr. R. H. Bunney, with headquarters at Denton.

PLAN TO BEAUTIFY THE ROADSIDES OF THE STATE

In conformity with an agreement State Board of Forestry will continue and the State Roads Commission, the law prohibiting the placing of advertising signs within the right-of-way of any public highway of the state has been amended. On June 1st, the State Roads Commission assumes responsibility for the enforcement of the law on state highways, while the tate Board of Forestry will continue to enforce the law on other than state roads.

The original law, prohibiting advertising signs within the right-of-way of the public highway, was enacted in 1914, and shortly thereafter the State Board of Forestry appointed June the 20th as Signboard Day. On that day, through the co-operation of civic organizations, Boy Scouts, improvement associations and the like, many thousands of advertising signs were torn down. The movement thus inaugurated for the purpose of beautifying our highways by the elimination of unsightly advertising upon trees, fences and other structures within the right-of-way of the highways has been universally commended. Signboards outside of the right-of-way, which were erected with the written consent of the owner, are exempt.

The State Board of Forestry is highly appreciative of the splendid co-operation give by the people of the State, interested in making our roadsides more attractive.

The responsibility for keeping advertising from the state roads now rests with the State Roads Commission, and not with the Board of Foresry. It is hoped that the good work accomplished in the last eight years will be continued, with even greater effectiveness under the changed administration.

HOUSECLEANING ?

We have large sheets of paper, suitable for laying under carpets. Only 5c a bundle. Sheets are big and it only takes a few for each carpet.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED PROPOSALS for building one section of State Highway, as follows:

Caroline County—Contract Co-29

One section of the State Highway along Railroad Avenue, Greensboro, and along Railroad Avenue, Preston, a distance of 0.95 miles—(Concrete).

will be received by the State Roads Commission, at its offices, 601 Garrett Building, Baltimore, Maryland, until 12 M. Standard Time on the

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at which time and place they will be publicly open and read.

Bids must be made upon the blank proposal form which, with specifications and plans will be furnished by the Commission upon application and cash payment of $1.00, as hereafter no charges will be permitted.

No bids will be received unless accompanied by a certified check for the sum of Five Hundred ($500) Dollars, payable to the State Roads Commission.

The successful bidder will be required to give bond, and comply with the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, respecting contracts.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

BY ORDER of the State Roads Commission this 18th day of May, 1922. J. N. MACKALL, Chairman

L. H. STEUART, Secretary. 25-2t

Free Illustrated Lecture

Dr. Fred C. Klein, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Protestant Church will give an illustrated lecture on the missionary work of the M. P. denomination. Dr. Klein for a number of years was a missionary in Japan. In 1908 he was elected secretary of the Board and just two years ago he visited the mission fields in Japn, China and India and personally took the pictures that will be used in the lecture. This lecture will be FREE to the public. Date—Monday, June 5. Place—. S. Room of the M. P. Church.

To Try for State Honors

Contestants in the annual track and field meet which was held at Federalsburg two weeks ago and who were winners will go to Homewood Field at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, next Friday to compete for state honors. About 40 boys from this county will attend, their names having been published in last week's American Union.

RIDGELY

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Headley and children of Swedesboro, N. J., are visiting at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Saulsbury.

Mr. M. C. Smith who has been receiving treatment at the state sanitarium, is spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. George Slaughter and daughter, Miss Mary, with Miss Allan, and Miss Beaumont, spent Tuesday with friends in Centreville.

Mr. Gilbert Hagadone of Baltimore spent the week end at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Hagadone.

A number of Ridgely folks attended the street dance held in Denton on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Richard Merriken of Denton visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morris Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Pippin is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Mason, Miss Viola Jones, Miss Alice Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bennington and Mrs. Lee Bennington, attended Memorial Day service at Centreville Sunday.

Mr. Joseph O'Neil of Wilmington, Del., was a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scully.

Mr. Michael Swing is visiting friends in New Jersey.

Mr. Sydney Fountan of Walter Reed hospital, Washington, is visiting his sister, Mrs. M. C. Smith.

Mr. James Swing, Jr., of Baltimore, Md., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Swing.

Mr Frederick Madara and Mr. Frederick Flounders, of St. Johns College, Annapolis, spent the week end at their homes here.

Mr. Walter Booker of Strayers' Business College is home for the summer.

Mr. Edward Pearsaul of U. S. S. Delaware, is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Pearsaul.

Mrs. Harold Fountain of West Chester, Pa. spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Jackson.

Mr. H. C. Robinson of Marcus Hook, Pa., has been spending a few days with his family here.

Little Betty Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Smith, while visiting her brother in Baltimore met with a painful accident by falling down a flight of cement steps. Medical attention was immediately rendered and she is very much improved at this writing.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church will hold a bake Saturday afternoon in the Rickards building.

Mr. E. C. Kemp has opened an ice cream and confectionery store in the Elliott building.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl White of Denton, visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Robinson Sunday.

Mr. George Voltz and family of Baltimore, Mr., are now occupying the M. C. mithS property. Mr. Voltz will engage in the mercantile business in the near future.

Mrs. Keen Saulsbury of Greensboro spent Tuesday with friends in town.

Mrs. Lawrence Lynch is spending a few days with friends at Washington, D. C.

Miss Mary Berkey and Mr. Fred Buckle of near Ridgely, were quietly married Wednesday by the Rev. Mr. Melvin Morris of Greensboro.

Miss Althea Robinson spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Edward Rome of Federalsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Rueder and daughter Catherine spent Sunday with relatives at Carmichael.

Mrs. Martin Holsinger and son Francis of Carney's Point, N. J., have been spending a few days at the home of her father in law Mr. Paul Holsinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Austin and son John of Wilmington, Del., formerly of Ridgely have been visiting friends in town.

Miss Evelyn Lane, delightfully entertained a party of friends at her home dancing Wednesday evening in honor of her birthday. Games were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served. At a late hour all departed, wishing her many happy returns of the day.

Juniors to Honor Seniors

Caroline High School Class '23 yesterday sent out invitations to the Junior-Senior Prom to be held next Monday evening, June 5th, in honor of the Class of '22, in the High School building. Plans for a very enjoyable evening are being made and all who have received invitations will have a mighty good time.

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Saltines ..... Zwiebach ..... Social Teas ..... Lorna Doones ..... Fig Newtons ..... Graham Crackers .. Butter Thins ..... and all other thirteen cent goods in stock pkg 10c

Air Float Talcum Powder can 10c
Gold Seal Oats ..... pkg 8c
"Asco" Spaghetti .... 3 pkgs 20c
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