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Editorial

And the Band Plays Annie Laurie

Now we have a resolution in the United States Senate asking for an investigation to fix responsibility for the world war. If we only get another set of Senators to settle once and for all time the disputed age of Ann, we will be all set, and the rest of the Senate may be able to devote a little time to the nation's business.

For example, we might consider legislation that would make impossible the raking in of great fortunes overnight as a result of stock manipulation coming, as it always does, on the heels of "Washington disclosures." Tom tom beating, sweet music to the financial bandit, has started the ball of ruin rolling periodically for years. Since the oil drums have begun to beat great fortunes have been made and lost. Perhaps we might find out who is getting the money RIGHT now.

Not more than a week ago a stock drive was made that stopped only on the verge of panic. The insiders cleaned up. The next day they cleaned up again. They pushed the market up when the little fellows with five to a hundred thousand dollars had every reason to expect it to continue to go down. It is safe to say the market will now be rigged day by day for months to come. In the midst of ruined homes and the crash of hopes of the unfortunate men and women lured by the glamour of speculation into the Wall Street maelstrom, an investigation into the world war would surely prove encouraging. Once let a Senate Committee decide that question and every ruined man and woman in the country would be happy. Away with such balderdash, you Senators. Get down to work.

New York City has a dead line. No known crook may travel below that line. The blackjack man may not invade the restricted zone until he has learned a more skilful method of procedure. Perhaps we might reverse gears and forbid the Black Horse Calvary leaving Wall Street and prevent them invading the rest of the city and the rest of the country. The great hauls come from rigging the market on inside information. The game is all played, however, before the public gets any cards. When the outsiders begin to operate the band is playing "Home, Sweet Home" and the little fellows are left applauding on the sidewalks. Oil sensations past, present, and to come, will provide enough excuse for a thousand financial raids in the next few months.

Of course, this might be scotched, but the need of the hour is to find out who started the world war. Let us have the truth at all hazards. Then, and not till then, can we start on the Boxer uprising and the American Revolution.

There has always been great rigidity in laws dealing with illegitimacy. The illegitimate child cannot inherit. Wouldn't it be better to compel both father and mother to leave all their money to the illegitimate child? This would protect the innocent and make prospective wrongdoers think twice.

Football often has been compared to war. This is a serious matter. We should have a Senate Committee to find out who invented football.

What is the matter? There has not been in sight for more than a month a single starving nation for us to save. This will never do.

Do You Want Better Postal Service?

If the government of the United States will turn its attention for five minutes from the oil scandal and devote three minutes of that time to consideration of the postal service in the small towns that dot the great expanse of Country America, our representatives will serve a more useful purpose and perhaps gain political prestige which seems to be the all important consideration just at this time.

Postmasters in all small towns have the same story to tell. Their offices are kept in a continuous state of inefficiency because it is impossible to hire competent clerks on the sum of money allowed by the government for clerk hire. The allotment should be raised and it should be raised at once. The postmasters are able and anxious to serve, but it is impossible for them to function properly if they are not provided tools with which to work. We make a wonderful show with our post office buildings, as we do with our school buildings, but bricks and mortar are but the trappings and the suits of service. It is the working force that counts.

There is a disposition to brush aside the country towns when it comes to considering any public expenditure, and this applies to the postal service as to anything else. Our Congressmen, however, should remember that a majority of the American population, which means a majority of taxation, is represented in the small towns up to 5,000 population. Poor postal service is a severe handicap to business, and the business of the small town should not be ignored.

Like all other perplexing problems, of course, there is a very practical side to this matter of obtaining efficient postal service. The result depends on the interest exhibited by the people themselves. Congressmen are human. They keep their ears constantly to the ground. Once they sense the fact that their constituents are earnestly determined to press for certain legislation they are apt to get very much interested in that legislation. On the other hand, if they feel only public apathy, they will go calmly to sleep and do nothing.

Every reader of this newspaper is interested to get improved postal service. Are they interested sufficiently to write to their Congressmen and Senators asking them to fight for a larger appropriation—one that will enable our Postmaster to hire competent help? If they are, then the sooner the ball is started rolling, the better it will be for all of us.

Our financiers having decided how Germany is to be rehabilitated, the great world conference will now dress the window so that the people will like the appearance of the bonds when they are displayed for sale.

It is getting time now to lay plans for the bribing of baseball players. Remember the early bird catches the worm.

French franc falls again. News item. They will turn good German coal into French money. will they? Ruminations of a financier.

Apologize or face suit, says Carter to Egypt in tomb dispute. And Egypt says Tut Tut.

A NEW SCHOOL FOR DENTON

After being much over-crowded in its schools for several years, Denton at last, has a good chance to secure adequate school facilities. This opportunity will be very gladly received by many girls and boys that have had to study by electric light in the basement rooms because of a lack of space in the better lighted ones.

Recently a bill has passed both houses of the Legislature providing for a bond issue to complete a school building ready for use with the under standing that Denton and vicinity will provide a suitable and proper school site without any expense to the county.

The plan of each community's providing an ample school site before the building be erected has been in effect for several years and has become definitely fixed as one of the most advanced customs of the county. Recently Henderson community has purchased four acres of land, and just a little while before Harmony deeded four acres to the Board of Education for school purposes. Greensboro furnished nearly six acres before their new building was erected, two years ago. Earlier, Federalsburg through several month's work by many of its citizens had secured a building at a reduced expense to the county of several thousand dollars.

Preston contributed over three thousand dollars for its school plant, while Ridgely by contribution and a special tax on the seventh election district added more than six thousand dollars to its school plant which was originally designed to become a special agricultural school.

Caroline county is referred to with pride throught the state as having the best organized plan to provide ample sites for new schools. The plan while unique, is based on the principal that any locality will not ask for a county appropriation for a school until it needs it, if required to provide a proper site in advance.

While Denton has expected and is willing to furnish a site there has been some difference of opinion as to the proper location, hence the delay in securing the grounds.

Recently it has been found that a centrally located site is favored by a great majority of the patrons of the Denton schools for the following reasons: 1. The school should be located so as to be within easy walking distance of all the pupils within the limits of Denton and West Denton, the latter being a part of the Denton school district. 2. By being within easy reach of the town, entertainments, debates and literary contests of various kinds as well as athletic games, may be seen by the patrons and friends of the schools without the necessity of driving out in cars—all persons not having these means of transportation. 3. As every good high school must have a library for reading and research purposes, it seems that such a nucleus of books, etc., might be of considerable use to a town that is without a real working library, it would be easy to arrange for such a library to be kept open at all hours for the use of any one interested. 4. Another, and most vital reason for a central location, perhaps, is the extreme danger of young folks (Fourth grade pupils would be required to attend school in the proposed building very shortly, because of the crowding of the present brick building) having to go a long distance down the state road which is constantly traversed by rapidly moving automobiles. 5. Still another reason for a near site is the decreased cost in completing the building on account of the greatly lessened expense in paving, lighting and connecting the building with the town sewer so as to meet the health and sanitary requirements of the state.

With the proposed building completed on a conveniently located site of land of six acres or more, our county seat may justly take its place among the other towns of the county that have been fortunate enough to have these advantages for some years.

W. BREWSTER DEEN, Solicitor

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maryland
In the matter of
OCTAVIA JESTER, Bankrupt

Notice is hereby given that on March 12th, 1924, the said Octavia Jester of American Corner, Caroline County, Maryland, was duly adjudged Bankrupt, and the first meeting of her creditors will be held at the law office of W. Brewster Deen, in Denton, Maryland, on the 1st day of April, 1924, at 1:30 o'clock P. M., at which time the creditors of said Bankrupt may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee or Trustees, examine said Bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting.

SIDNEY P. TOWNSHEND,
Referee

Chestertown, Md.

N. B.—Creditors should at once prove their claims before a Notary Public and file same with the Referee or have them ready to file at the first meeting of Creditors.

OSCAR CLARK, Solicitor

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maryland
In the matter of
SAMUEL CAREY, Bankrupt

Notice is hereby given that on January 19th, 1924, the said Samuel Carey of Eickman, Caroline County, Maryland, was duly adjudged Bankrupt and the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the law office of Oscar Clark in Denton, Maryland, on the 1st day of April, 1924, at 1:45 o'clock P. M., at which time the Creditors of said Bankrupt may attend, prove their claims, appoint a Trustee or Trustees examine said Bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting.

Chestertown, Md. Referee
SIDNEY P. TOWNSHEND,

N. B.—Creditors should at once prove their claims before a Notary Public and file same with the Referee or have them ready to file at the first meeting of Creditors.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscriber, of Caroline County, has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Caroline county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of

TILGHMAN E. KELLEY

late of Caroline county, deceased. All persons having claims against the said deceased are warned to exhibit the same to the subscriber, with the vouchers thereof legally authenticated on or before the 18th day of October next, (1924), or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 11th day of March, 1924.

GLENCOE K. KELLEY
Administrator of Tilghman E. Kelley, deceased. 20-3t

AUDITOR'S ORDER NISI

MARY E. MOORE and
MARY MOORE PARRISH
vs.
LOUISE PARRISH, Infant

In the Circuit Court for Caroline County, in Equity, No. 2058

Ordered, this 5th day of March, 1924 that the Auditor's Report, made and filed in the above cause, be ratified and confirmed unless good cause to the contrary be shown within three weeks from the 6th day of March, 1924, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline County, once in each of two successive weeks before the 15th day of March, 1924.

GEO. A. DEAKYNE,
Clerk

True Copy—Test:
GEO. A. DEAKYNE,
Clerk

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HOLIDAY NOTICES

The Denton National Bank

Denton, Md., Mar. 19, 1924

This bank will be closed all day Tuesday, March 25, Maryland Day, it being a legal holiday. All notes payable here and maturing on that day may be paid on the day following.

W. I. NORRIS, Cashier

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank

Denton, Md., Mar. 19, 1924

This bank will be closed all day Tuesday, March 25, Maryland Day, it being a legal holiday. All notes payable here and maturing on that day may be paid on the day following.

GEO. W. BECK, Cashier

Caroline County Bank

Greensboro, Md., Mar. 19, 1924

This bank will be closed all day Tuesday, March 25, Maryland Day, it being a legal holiday. All notes payable here and maturing on that day may be paid on the day following.

T. CLAYTON HORSEY, Cashier

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Edwin—I don't know, sir, unless it's because you wear rubber heels.

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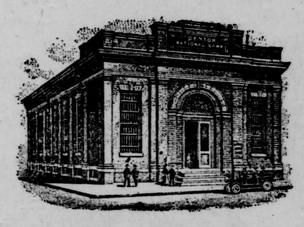
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