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5C TO $1.00 STORE OPENS SATURDAY

New Idea in Small Town Store Being Tried Out Here—Third in State

IN NEW NUTTLE BUILDING

Denton's new 5c to $1.00 Store will be opened on Saturday, March 28, in the Parker Theatre Building, next to Nuttle Hardware store. This store will be the third of its kind in the State of Maryland and the second on the Peninsula, the others being located in Baltimore and Centreville. Due to the fact that these stores are connected with a large buying house in New York, they are able to offer their customers anything within the valuation range of 5c to $1.00 that can be purchased in the city for the same price.

Mr. W. T. Keating, of Centreville, is the owner and the originator of this idea on the Shore, and he has secured the services of Mr. C. A. Morck, of New York, who was connected with Mr. Woolworth for 13 years in the 5c and 10c business, to open the new store in Denton.

Those who have looked inside the new store in the past few days have been surprised to see how quickly the counters have been filled with articles of every description, from candy and Easter toys to larger articles which mount nearer the dollar mark. Due to the lateness of the arrival of the freight, the workers have been handicapped for time, but it is expected to have everything in readiness when the store opens on Saturday morning.

Mrs. William Cohee will be the manager of the store, and she will have a corps of young lady clerks to assist with the sales work.

In speaking of the opening of the new store in Denton, Mr. Keating says:

"In opening my new store in Denton, it is a pleasure to extend to the good people of Denton and the whole surrounding country a very sincere and hearty welcome. You probably know that every effort has been made to establish a business institution that will appeal to lovers of all that is good and beautiful in high quality merchandise.

"Our connection with a large New York concern enables us to bring to Denton trained workers in the mercantile field who will not only decorate and adorn the new establishment so that it will be one of the attractive business show places of Denton, but who will be constantly alert to the needs of the people of the community and maintain a store that will be a real credit to the community.

"In building our business elsewhere we have been constantly mindful of a very serios and important obligation to the public, and we enter the mercantile field in Caroline county with the full realization that we must constantly strive to be of real service to the people.

"It is a pleasure to extend to all a very sincere welcome to our formal opening on Saturday, March 29. We will deem it a privilege to have you call and inspect our new store . You will not be asked to buy. Our pleasure will be to welcome you and receive any helpful suggestions or criticisms you may care to make."

ADA MAY CANNON

Miss Ada May Cannon died at an early hour Wednesday morning at her home on Fourth street, following an illness of only a few weeks' duration. Deceased was the daughter of the late Jacob and Eliza Cannon and was born near Oak Grove, August 10, 1885. Following the death of her parents more than twenty-five years ago, Miss Cannon made her home with Mr. and Mrs. E. D. C. Hegeman at Laurel, Del.; Salisbury and Denton, Maryland. She was a member of Centenary Methodist Episcopal Church, Laurel, Del. No near relatives survive. Funeral services will be held at 1:30 o'clock Saturday, March 29, at Centenary M. E. Church, Laurel. Interment in Odd Fellows Cemetery, the Rev. Mr. V. E. Hills, of Wilmington, and Rev. J. A. Dudley, will be the officiating ministers.

The pall bearers will be members of the Epworth League of the Methodist Episcopal church, Denton, and are as follows: Charles Walls, Fred and William Norris, Philip Nuttle, Daniel Crouse, Nadal Jones.

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INVESTIGATION

By THE CRACKER

The Senate thinks investigation is all the country needs, an' clears a cloudy situation to advertise misdeeds. It seems to rouse their huntin' mettle when once they get the scent; they never let the woodpile settle when they find the colored gent. So when they find a guy who's crooked they wade into the muss and reach their talons out and hook in all who knew the cuss. This nation-wide investigatin' has showed some shady deals, but, once wound up, they're still debatin' 'til hoarseness stops their spiels. Compounding rumors unconfirmed with facts not ascertained, they investigate an' then adjourn—an' then proceed again. We'd like to see some legislation 'twould meet the public needs; a good reduction in taxation to balance up our feed, an' start our industries to hummin', an' boost prosperity. It's been a mighty long time comin' an' it's just as far away. We've seen the game till we are weary an' sick with plumb disgust; we'd like to see the blamed mess buried an' covered up with dust; but every time we see a paper we view with sinkin' hearts—they've cranked that old mud-rakin' scraper, an' another session starts.

COLLEGE JESTERS HERE

Western Maryland College Jesters in Denton, Tues, 1st

The Western Maryland College Jesters will play in Denton on Tuesday, April 1, at the Palace Theatre. The curtain will go up at 8 o'clock sharp.

The Jesters have this year the best show ever put out by Western Maryland College, in fact it is altogether different from any of the preceding shows of former years. This show is head and shoulders above any other production ever put out by the students of Western Maryland College.

The Jesters are presenting in Denton a show composed of fun, music and comedy, and they are carrying 25 of the most talented boys in the Methodist College.

This show is given under the auspices of the Methodist Protestant Church, and an enjoyable evening is assured to all who attend. For further information concerning this show consult your Methodist Protestant pastor, Rev. J. A. Dudley.

More Tomatoes From Fewer Acres

The county agent has arranged to secure the services of W. R. Ballard, vegetable gardening specialist, and A. D. Radebaugh, county agent of Cecil county, for a series of meetings of tomato growers and canners, to be held in Caroline county on Friday and Saturday, April 4 and 5. Four meetings have been planned for, and will probably be held as follows:

Friday, April 4—2:30 p. m., Federalsburg; 7:30 p. m., Preston.

Saturday, April 5.—9:30 a. m., Ridgely; 2:30 p. m., Greensboro.

Mr. Radebaugh and Mr. Ballard will discuss the importance of good seed, growng the plants and field cultural methods. Mr. Radebaugh has gained practically a national reputation as an authroity on tomato culture as a result of the remarkable results he has secured in growing the crop in Cecil county, and through his accomplishments as an extension agent. All interested in this crop should avail themselves of this opportunity to profit by the experience of these two experts.

The county agent has made arrangements for four demonstration plant beds to be carried on in the county this coming season to be conducted according to latest approved cultural methods.

Important Meeting Goldsboro P. T. A.

An important meeting of the patrons of Goldsboro School is announced for Thursday, April 3. Every patron of the school is expected to be present.

Entertainment at Concord

The Andersontown-Hobbs Community Club will give an entertainment at the boarding tent at Concord Camp on Friday evening, April 4, at 7:30 o'clock, which will be made up of a number of plays, monologues and music. Ice cream and cake will be for sale and there will be a Jack Horner pie for the children. All are cordially invited. Admission will be charged.

Lenten Pictures

"My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?"—Matt. 27:46

After Christ's word of provision for His mother, there came a long period in which he said nothing. Then toward the close of the afternoon came that saying which is hard for us to understand, that word of mystery, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" At first thought, it seems impossible that Christ, Who had been so closely in touch with God throughout His life, could have been forsaken at the time when He needed God most. Surely the Father would not abandon His beloved Son in this critical time. And yet this cry of spiritual anguish indicates that Christ was completely alone in His agony on the cross, rejected by men, forsaken by God. But think a minute—was this not necessary for the fulfillment of God's perfect plan for the redemption of mankind? Christ had to suffer spiritual pain as well as physical pain before He could conquer Death and win salvation. It was in the spiritual anguish of the experience that the actual atonement lay. Others besides Christ have suffered cruel bodily tortures for their faith, but none have paid His price of spiritual suffering, for they have been sustained by the knowledge that God was with them. Christ alone was forsaken, that in this way He might pay the penalty for the sin of the world. All since then who seek it have felt God's sustaining arm in the death struggle; have seen Christ's nail-pierced hands outstretched toward them as they approached the Valley of the Shadow of Death. Christ suffered alone.

Many times in life we are tempted to ask the same question of God. Everything goes wrong, our plans miscarry, our purposes are confounded and our lives confused. Just remember that God will never forsake us if we really desire His presence. Our bitterest moments, of mental suffering, our most extreme bodily anguish, find God as near as we will let Him come, and with Him, Christ, who because He was forsaken in His hour of trial, assures us in both life and death, the comfort and strength of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.

NEWNAM LEASES NUTTLE BUILDING

During the past week Mr. M. K. Newnam purchased the entire stock of furniture of the Nuttle Hardware Company, and has leased the west side of the building from them, and will occupy it on April 1, using it for his furniture and undertaking establishment. As soon as changes can be made, the present location of Mr. Newnam will be vacated and will be for rent.

Due to the carrying of two large stocks of furniture, Mr. Newnam will begin a stock reducing sale about April 15.

For the past year and a half Mr. Newnam has carried a line of furniture in addition to the victrola, piano and undertaking business, but due to the crowded conditions of his present location a larger store had to be secured. The new location will prove very beneficial, as it is very commodious, having on the first floor almost as much floor space as Mr. Newnam now has . He will also have the second floor of the furniture side of the building.

The Nuttle Hardware Company, now owned by Mr. Fred B. Nuttle, will continue in the hardware and farming implement business exclusively.

T. B. ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, Inc., will be held March 28th at Osler Hall, 1211 Cathedral street, Baltimore. A round table, featuring county work, will be held from 2 till 5 p. m., and at 6:30 a banquet is scheduled. The evening session beginning at 8 o'clock will include the regular business session, with the president, Dr. Martin F. Sloan, presiding; an address on "Selling Health to the American People," by Phillip P. Jacobs, Ph.D., the Publicity Director of the National Tuberculosis Association, and Editor of "Out Door Life." This will be followed by a general discussion and the showing of the motion pictures, a new "Miracle House" film. These meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

DR. JONES TO SPEAK TO WILLISTON COM. CLUB

Dr. Edgar A. Jones, of the Department of Public Health of the State of Maryland, will speak to the Williston Community Club at the Williston Church next Monday evening at 8 o'clock. The subject under discussion will be the full time health officer for Caroline county. Every person is welcome.

Firemen Honor Comrade

Several cars filled with members of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company went to Easton Sunday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mr. Frederick Willy, a member of the Easton Fire Company, who was killed last week when the Talbot fire engine was froced in the ditch by two vehicles which they tried to pass.

STORE BURNS SAT. ENGINE RESPONDS

Denton's new fire engine proved that it could produce when caled upon as was demonstrated early Saturday morning when the small store building at the corner of 6th street and 5th avenue, owned by Mr. Ora Carroll, and occupied by Mr. John R. Statum, was completely destroyed by fire.

An alarm was sounded about 1:30 a. m., and by the watch it was just exactly 10 minutes from the time the alarm was sounded until water was being thrown on the building. Considering that this was the first time the Denton Volunteer Fire Company has been called upon to use their new engine it is considered very good time, especially as all the members were in bed and had to dress when the alarm was sounded. It is believed, however, that when the next fire occurs this time can be cut down two or three minutes, as the firemen see where they could improve on their methods of Saturday morning in getting out their lines, etc.

The fire engine was leaving its garage before the fire alarm stopped blowing, with five men on it, and had picked up four more before the fire was reached, in going the eight blocks. Practicallly every fireman reported on duty at this fire, which is to the credit of the company.

It is not known how the fire started, although it is supposed to have begun either from the stove being overheated or a defective flue. Nothing was saved from the store, but Mr. Carroll succeeded in getting his automobile out of the garage attached to the rear of the store, but in so doing he burned one of his hands very badly, and the paint on his car is scorched. Several explosions occurred during the early stages of the fire, as oil cans exploded from the heat and added fuel to the conflagration.

Mayor Ernest G. Cooper has asked The American Unioin to thank the firemen for the town and for the citizens for the prompt and efficient work done at the fire.

Mr. Carroll carried some insurance, but Mr. Statum's loss on the stock was not covered by insurance.

ARBOR DAY

April 4th has been designated as Arbor Day by decree of Governor Albert C. Ritchie. Arbor Day has been annually observed in Maryland for tree planting since 1884.

Those who wish special information about Arbor Day and its observance may secure full particulars from the State Department of Foresy, 815 Calvert building, Baltimore.

The department does not furnish trees free but will give the names and addresses of nurseries from which they may be purchased.

The regular monthly meeting of the Denton Board of Trade will be held in the rooms on the second floor of the Carter Building this evening. All members are urged to be present.

R. R. PLANS ARE STILL IN DOUBT FOR LINE

Two Meetings Held This Week But Nothing Definite Decided

Denton's railroad situation is still in the balance, and it is a hard matter to say what the final result will be.

Some fifty or sixty persons gathered at the Court House on Saturday afternoon with regards to the railroad to hear what Mr. Rosenfeld and Mr. Carr, of Baltimore, had to say concerning the proposed operation of the road by a syndicate headed by these two gentlemen.

This paper published an article two weeks ago to the effect that Mr. Jesse Rosenfeld had purchased the line from West Denton to Lewes from the E. B. Leaf Company of Philadelphia, and that the money was all raised and operation would begin immediately upon the abandonment of the road by the Pennsylvania.

It was brought out at this meeting, however, that while Mr. Rosenfeld held an option on the road, it was not paid for, nor was the money in sight to complete the option. Mr. Rosenfeld came to Denton with the proposition that those interested in the railroad immediatly raise $125,000. He stated that he could purchase the road from the junk dealers for $70,000. It would cost $25,000 for a new locomotive to haul the heavy freight and another $25,000 for incidentals, and that for an immediate bond issue of $225,000 the road could be bought, equipped and operated for one year. At the close of the meeting it was stated that a little time would have to be given to the subject, and no definite answer was given to the promotors. Following this meeting the promotors went to Lewes and talked to a gath ring of business men there.

Monday evening another group of interested persons gathered at the Court House here and further talked over ways and means for continuing the road. It was definitely decided however, that the amount asked by Mr. Rosenfeld could not be raised in this community, which would prohibit the community as a whole from taking part in it, although many individuals, as individuals, would be glad to take bonds if the project were carried on.

TELEPHONE CO. HIT HARD

Not since the storm of 1909, when Taft was inaugurated, has telephone service in the State of Maryland been so impaired.

More than 15,000 telephones were out of service, and over 5000 poles were down in Maryland alone. The total loss is estimated to be in the neighborhood of $500,000.00.

The damage to toll lines made it impossible to commnicate with many cities and towns in the State. The entire force of available men worked day and night, and additional forces were brought in from nearby places to assist.

In some of the rural sections, due to the necessity of replacing great numbers of telephone poles, it is expected that a week may elapse before the service of all subscribers is restored. Because of the complete isolation of certain important sections of the State, first consideration was given to restoring the toll lines.

In Virginia approximately 4000 telephones were out of service and about 2000 poles were down. In the District of Columbia about 2000 telephones were out of service. About 2000 men are repairing the damage in Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia. From present indications the total loss in the territory will exceed one- half million dollars.

There are 253 lines on the Eastern Shore of Maryland laid low during the raging storm, affecting all the toll lines to Baltimore and other towns and cities, and interrupting the service of 1151 subscribers. There were 704 poles down. The territory in which the lines were mostly affected was between Preston and Galena; between Dover Bridge and Queenstown; Denton to Hillsboro; Centreville to Millington and Chestertown.

No Preaching at M. E. Church Sunday

Due to the absence of the pastor, Rev. N. C. Jones, there will be no preaching services on Sunday at the Methodist Episcopal Church. Sunday School will be held at the usual hour. Mr. Jones is attending the annual conference now being held in Wilmington.

Fire Company To Meet Friday

The regular monthly meeting of the Denton Volunteer Fire Company will be hled in their rooms in the Law Building Friday evening of this week. All members are urged to be present.

CO. P. T. A, MEET DRAWS CROWD

Many Interesting Subjects Are Taken Up At the March Meeting Last Thursday

The Parent Teacher Association of Caroline county met in the Court House in Denton on Thursday afternoon, March 21st.

A very interesting program was presented. Miss Healy had recently returned from a convention of the National Educational Association and told something of the proceedings of that great assembly, where 15,000 people from all over the United States had come together to discuss educational subjects.

The discouragements and encouragements to the teacher; the importance of child training for citizenship; the necessity of moral training in the schools; the importance of so-called "Fads" in the life development of the child; and the consolidation of rural schools, for greater service, were all brought to us as they had been presented by great educators at the convention.

The Sterling-Reed bill, which provides a department of education with a secretary in the president's cabinet, and a subsidy of $100,000,000 for state aid of schools, was unanimously endorsed by the National Educational Association.

Mrs. Saulsbury, of Ridgely, presented a very able paper on the subject—"A good citizen must support himself. Should our schools prepare a child for self-support?"

She gave a review of the school system of our country, which, she said is dominated by the colleges. Out of 1000 students who enter the first grade, 1 goes to college. Should our schools serve the one or the many? In contrast to the formal work of many vocational schools, whose slogan is, "Learn by doing," the speaker urged a combination of the two systems, by which the child may be trained equally in mind, hand, health and morals. She said, "Formal education is a failure. Give the child ideals; help him to translate them in practical form, and schools will not be a drudgery. Our chldren will be prepared for living as well as for making a livelihood."

A motion was adopted by the association, asking that a copy of Mrs. Saulsbury's paper be sent to each school in the county, to be read and discussed at the local parent teacher association meetings.

A paper, prepared by Mrs. J. S. Lapham, of Goldsboro, was read, in which she told in an interesting way the evolution of the woman teacher. She said, women took the place of man as an economic necessity and they keep the place because of their innate adaptability to teach children. She hoped that there would always be men in our high schools, as "boys need he influence of true-hearted manly, Christian men, with high ideals."

Mrs. Manlove of Greensboro spoke on the question of tardiness in the schools. She summed up the causes of tardiness as being in the child, the home and the parents, and urged a study of these causes by the parents, that promptness may take the place of tardiness. A discussion, following this paper, brought out the fact that there is more tardiness among the town children than among children from the country.

In the roll call of county schools, sixty patrons responded.

Mrs. Manlove of Greensboro was elected treasurer of the association.

The next meeting will be held in the evening and our slogan for that meeting is "Every school in the county represented."

The large attendance at these meetings and the deep intreest manifested by those present are very encouraging to all who are interested in the schools of Caroline County.

M. P. Revival Closes

Sunday evening's services at the Methodist Protestant Church closed the twe weeks evangelist services which were held there. Miss Grace Jones, evangelist, who was with the pastor, the Rev. Mr. J. A. Dudley, during the last week of these services, was very much liked by all who heard her. She is a very talented young woman, and her quiet, forceful manner and plain speech bring home the truths of the Bible in a way which makes the sinners see the light. These special services proved of great value to the church, resulting in a number of converts.

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