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A WORLD ACCOMPLISHMENT

The fact that the foreign governments interested in the reparations question, including Germany, have accepted the Dawes report as the basis for final settlement, is the greatest step toward better world conditions that has been made since the signing of the Armistice.

The United States should be proud that three American business men could evolve this plan in a few short months.

The honor of consummating such a program for the benefit of humanity falls to the lot of but few men.

COURAGE AND STATESMANSHIP NEEDED

The San Francisco Bulletin has been running some excellent editorials on the necessity of getting back to first principles in our regard for and honor of the constitution of the United States and the fundamental principles which were recognized in establishing our democratic form of government.

In commenting on the recent action, or lack of action in Congress and its failure to exert itself along business rather than political lines, the Bulletin in double column, black-face editorial, after citing numerous instances of the shortcomings of our national law-making body, says:

"At bottom, responsibility for the present disgraceful situation at Washington lies with Congress, whose hypocrisy, shirking and moral cowardice brought about conditions that made corruption inevitable."

It then cites numerous instances of radical, silly or freak legislation which Congress has passed to satisfy hysterical demands or dodge responsibility.

"A dozen boards and bureaus can be mentioned to which Congress has granted the high, middle and the low justice with respect to wide areas of activity and important industries.

"Citizens and business enterprises can be ruined by various of these boards and bureaus without ever having a day in court. As for ancient right of privacy, there is nothing left. Our telephones are tapped, our desks are rifled, our books searched on orders from our departmental inquisitors. Few human beings are fit to be trusted with the power which Congress so gaily delegates to the bureaucracy.

"Our form of government has changed under our eyes. We are governed not by statutes, but by rulings of this department and that commissioner whose orders have the force of laws. Our rights are determined for us not by courts and juries, who hear our cases in public, but by inspectors and investigators and bureaus who collect evidence where they find it and announce decision in true Turkish fashion. That, of course, is not democracy. It is not even efficient, but if it were, free government should not be sacrificed to efficiency.

"Only a Congress that will display some courage and statesmanship , and a little devotion to the constitution of the United States, will rid us of this pest of bureaucracy and restore the American ideal of popular government."

The Bulletin editorial is a strong statement of the case, but it will take strong leaders among our publishers and our public officials to save intact to the American people the liberties which were granted them in the formation of our government.

CLEANING UP THE SCENERY

There has been much public agitation to remove unsightly billboards from scenic spots on beautiful highways which are being built in various states.

Without waiting for legislation on the subject, one of the largest users of signboards on the Pacific Coast, the Standard Oil Company of California, has removed over a thousand of its road signs.

Other large companies in that section, which is noted for its beautiful scenery, have indicated their willingness to follow the lead of the Standard Oil Company. Comment has been almost unanimous in favor of this action.

Nothing is more unsightly than a collection of fifty-seven varieties of signs as one enters every town or city, or at points where the eye is attracted by a beautiful view or some other object of interest.

It is altogether probable that better advertising results could be secured by spending the same amount of money in the rural newspapers of the various states.

WHO BLOCKS TAX REDUCTIONS ?

Would you hire a doctor to fix an automobile? Would you hire a cook to arrange the financing of a new hotel? No, you would not.

Then why is every Congressman and every Senator supposed to be capable of figuring out a better tax plan for financing our national government than are the experts in the United States Treasury who are responsible for a sound financial policy for this nation?

Men not capable of financing a corner grocery store feel more fully qualified to inflict upon the public their ideas of running a six or seven billion dollar annual government budget than do the experts in the Treasury Department.

The people have been crying for tax reduction but instead of giving it to them our rag-chewing politicians in Congress have been fighting to figure out some plan that would override the very business-like proposal of the Secretary of the Treasury and his assistants, which would have lopped over $300,000,000 off the tax bill for 1923 if it had been adopted.

Politics may be all right as long as it confines itself to political matters, but it is a curse to a nation when it dips into business. The tax question is a problem of business pure and simple and should not be a vote getting vehicle for Republican or Democratic politicians.

RADIO TALK TO FARMERS

Radio broadcasting stations in some states are sending out on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of each week, tabloid talks on agriculture, the last word of the scentist and the scientific farmer expressed in crisp and interesting form.

When it is considered that with proper methods of agriculture and with proper preparation of the soil, the revenue from farms might be doubled, the value of the movement is quite apparent. Agents of experiment stations preaching this doctrine of scientifici agriculture are making much headway, but the dissemination of such knowledge requires ceaseless effort and constant pounding. The tabloid talks by radio thus come to the assistance of the county agents and the farmer.

The radio station will present these facts not only to the farmer, but to the boys and girls on the farm. It will aim to make the farmer appreciate to the fullest extent his investment in his acres.

RIDGELY

The regular meeting of the Community Club met in the club room Monday evening with Mrs. A. G. Saulsbury presiding in the absence of the president. Arrangements were completed for selling eats at the athletic meet, Miss Beatrice Bowers being chairman of this committee. The petition for an Equal Right Amendment was signed by some members of the club. Mrs. J. H. Hemmons gave a brief account of the Young People's Conference held in Greensboro. The club considered inviting the Denton Senior Class to bring their play—"Daddy Long Legs," to Ridgely for the benefit of their fund on a 50-50 basis, at the next and last meeting until after the summer, officers for the coming year will be elected.

Mr. J. Mulford Swing has purchased the residence on Maple avenue formerly owned by Mrs. Leonard Dean.

Mrs. C. E. Anderson and daughter, Marie, from Bridgeville, Del., spent the week-end with Mrs. C. W. Jackson.

Mrs. Della Turner of Oaklane, Pa., is visiting Mrs. R. E. Fountain and other friends in town.

Mr. Carlton Marvel, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Marvel, of Ridgely, and Miss Elsie Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.Graham Porter, of near Ruthsburg, were quietly married at the M. E. Parsonage of Church Hill on May the 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry McKnett, of Easton, were recent visitors at the home of their son, Mr. Leonard McKnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Durney lately entertained Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rhodes, of Cordova and Mr. E. W. Rhodes and family, of Willoughby.

Mrs. Joshua Van Sant, of Clayton, has been visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Sparks.

Mr. Irwin Lane, of Philadelphia, has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lane.

Mrs. I. E. Mason has been spending a few days with friends in Wilmington.

Mrs. Frank White and daughters, Miriam and Margaret, and Mrs. D. G. Connolly and daughter, of Centreville, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Orrell Saulsbury.

Mrs. Lawrence Lynch, who has been undergoing treatment in a Baltimore hospital, has returned home.

Mr. James Mallalien and son, Milton and Mr. Earle Moore, of Chester, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jones.

Miss Louise Gray, of Goldsboro, has been visiting Mrs. William Jarrell near town.

Mrs. Edith Wilkinson and daughter of Philadelphia, Mr. Harvey Porter, son, of New York, have been spending of Chester, and Mrs. Clara Engel and a few days with their mother, Mrs. Sallie Porter.

Mrs. George Cherry and Mr. and Mrs. George Slaughter attended the funeral of Mrs. Stella Morris at Sudlersville, Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. George Imber has been spending some time with her daughters in Philadelphia.

Rev. and Mrs. A. O. Reiter, of Allentown, Pa., were recent visitors at the Hoffman home.

Miss Irma Imber, a nurse of Palmyra, N. Y., who has been visiting her parents here, has returned to her duties.

Mrs. W. M. Wiley has been spending a week with her daughter, Miss Pauline, in Smyrna.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor, of Federalsburg, have been guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hammond.

Mr. T. W. Jones is representing commission merchants for southern strawberries in Norfolk, Va.

The "Queen Esther" society held a "Twisted" social in the Methodist Sunday School room Tuesday evening. An attractive program was rendered and refreshments served.

Mrs. M. E. Wheatley's Sunday School Class—"The Bluebirds," gave her a surprise party at the parsonage last Thursday evening. A special program was rendered, including contests, solos and games, and ice cream and cake and candy were served.

Mrs. William Ringgold received a recent notice of the marriage of her granddaughter, Miss Edna Wallace to Mr. Arthur Dearth. Both young people are of Burrsville.

Rev. M. E. Wheatley is spending two weeks at the general conference in Springfield, Mass.

Mrs. Virginia Hayes is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Lane, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. John Bromley, of New York, has been visiting her father, Mr. John T. Stevenson, at his farm home near town. Mr. Stevenson has been quite ill but is much improved at this writing.

Mr. Russell Swann, of Philadelphia has been spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Swann.

Mrs. Mary Jackson, of Greensboro, is spending some weeks with Mrs. C. W. Jackson.

Mrs. Harvey Sewell has been spending a few days with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. E. C. Cooper and family, of Wilmington, were entertained recently at the home of Mrs. Cooper's sister, Mrs. M. C. Meredith.

Miss Grace Wood has accepted a position in Mr. John Clark's store in Greensboro.

The Reformed Sunday School has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Superintendent, Mr. Herbert Koeneman; assistant, Mr. George Imler; recording secretary, Miss Beatrice Bowers; assistant, Mr. Elmer Hoffman; corresponding secretary, Miss Sarah Hoffman; treasurer, Mr. Richard Blackburn.

Mr. Albert Saulsbury. Jr., of Philadelphia, lately visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Saulsbury.

Mr. Keating Dever, of Parksley, Va. was a recent visitor at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. L. Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Emory, of Cheswold, lately visited Mrs. Mame Smith.

Mrs. Tolson, of Wilmington, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Hemmons.

Miss Emily Koeneman has returned from a visit at the home of her brother, Mr. Harry Koeneman of Philadelphia.

Mrs. Edward Stevens, of Rehoboth has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Laird.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rutter, of Marydel, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Richards.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

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

Caroline County. Count. Co-23. One section of State Highway between Ridgely and Longs School House, a distance of 1.61 miles. (Concrete). . . will be received by the State Roads Commission, at its offices, 601 Garrett Building, Baltimore, Maryland, until 12M. on the 27th day of May 1924, at which time and place they will be publicly opened 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 8th day of May 1924.
L. H. STEUART, Secretary,
15-2t JOHN N. MACKALL, Chairman

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

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

Caroline Co. Cont. Co-34. One section of State highway from end of Contract Co-28 to Burrsville, a distance of 1.35 miles. (Concrete).
will be received by the State Roads Comission, at its offices, 601 Garrett Building, Baltimore, Maryland, until 12M. on the 13th day of May, 1924, at which time and place they will be publicly opened 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 28th day of April, 1924.
L. H. STEUART, Secretary.
8-2t JOHN N. MACKALL, Chairman

SUMMARY OF OUTBREAKS OF HOG CHOLERA

The hog cholera situation during April, like the preceeding months of 1924, was certainly unsatisfactory. The disease was reported to exist on 33 premises against 16 for the corresponding month as secondary. Five were classed as backyard outbreaks, and the others ocurred on farms, but on 7 of these places the hogs were really kept under backyard conditions.

There was a merry scramble among the counties for the doubtful honors of chalking up the most outbreaks. Anne Arundel county however, by permitting the outbreaks to accumulate for several months, got first place with a total of 6. A sufficient number of farmers in Harford purchased infected hogs to give that county second place with 5 outbreaks. Prince George and Mary's were in third place with 4 each. Kent and Montgomery tied with 3 each. Worchester and Washington also ran neck and neck with 2 each. Carroll, Frederick, Somerset and Wicomico were tied for the booby prize with one each.

Of the primary outbreaks 8 were apparently due to the purchase of sick or exposed hogs, 4 to the feeding of garbage or table scraps, 2 to infected premises and one to unburied carcasses. In 5 cases no history could be obtained on which to base the source of infection.

Of the secondary outbreaks one was due to unburied carcasses, one to loose hogs, and eleven cases no history could be obtained on which to base the source of infection. The lack of information regarding these 11 outbreaks was due to the fact that they occured so long before the authorities learned of them.

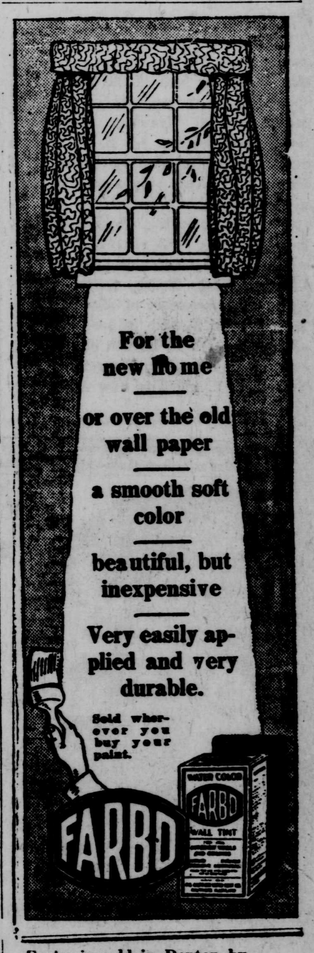
Grunts From The Air.

An interesting fact in connection with the outbreaks reported for the month is that 28 of the 33 outbreaks occurred in March or earlier. In fact, some of them started as early as January. Every secondary infection or spread of the disease was a center of infection that had occured early in the year. In 14 of the outbreaks the animals were all dead before the authorities learned of the outbreak, and could make the investigation, but from the history obtained it was evident that the trouble was undoubtedly cholera.

A tenant who was about to leave the farm which he worked last year had, as reported an outbreak of hog cholera in February, in which 45 hogs were lost, but the matter was not reported to the authorities. One of the animals died only 2 days before this person held his public sale, and according to reports, the carcass was dragged out in a field and left unburied. The party who was to take the farm this year visited the place before the former tenant left, and found, so he claims, 15 unburied carcasses in one of the fields. He insisted that the retiring tenant bury these, which was done, however, after moving on the place and bringing his hogs he claims he found in various other places the carcasses of 5 hogs which had been left unburied. This man of course, is now suffering heavy losses from cholera. The former tenant apparently did not report the case for fear that knowledge of the outbreak would interfere with the success of his public sale. Can you beat it?

A farmer whose hog lot was bordered by tide water knew that a neighbor lost hogs from cholera in January and the trouble was caused by the carcass of a hog being washed onto the place. During April his own hogs were affected with cholera, and when asked how he thought the infection reached the place, he replied that he "calc'lated that maybe it was caused by carcasses which had been washed in," as 8 of them were found on his premises. Is an object lesson of any value?

Farmers in two counties purchased pigs cheap from dealers. The buy appeared so good that they wanted to let their neighbors in on the deal and so divided the hogs with them. If there is such a thing as misery loving company they were certainly happy. Purchasing hogs without knowledge of their condition is certainly buying a pig in a poke.



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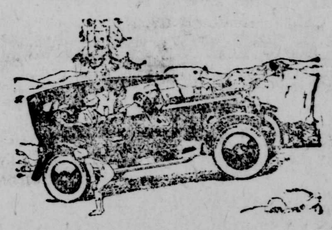

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