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LET'S GET TOGETHER

John H. Patterson, former president of the National Cash Register Co., once said that there were three things that made a community good or bad; the churches, the schools and the newspapers. Former president Harding said, "show me your newspapers and I will tell you what kind of community you have."

What both of the men have said is true. A newspaper can either be a community asset or a liability. The people of the community many times can make it either. Many times they do not support a paper by advertising and by subscriptions and cause the owner to resort to drastic methods to keep his paper alive and to make a living. Without the hearty support of the people living in the community no paper can do what it should. A newspaper man has to live, strange as it may seem, just the same as the merchant, mechanic or any other person. Usually the newspaper man, especially in the smaller cities, do not expect to make a fortune but would be content if they were allowed to make enough to get the necessities of life.

I have taken over the managing of The American Union and I want to set down just what I hope to do. However this cannot be done with the hearty support of the people of Denton and community, and I feel from the reception that I have received that I will get that support.

Whatever the policy of the paper has been in the past, I don't know. I don't want to know. I could find out if I asked or by looking up the files, but I am not interested in what has past but what is going to happen in the future. "Let the past burry its dead" and "act, act in the living present" is to be my slogan and the slogan of the paper.

If I am to stay in Denton as your editor, The American Union must be a civic asset and not a libality. I can make it so with the close cooperation of the people of Denton, without your cooperation the paper would be a failure.

Denton is as nice a little city as you will find any place. I have never seen a place where the merchants had as nice, neat well kept stores, with up-to-date stock as they have here. Very few towns the size of Denton can boast of so many paved streets, electric lights and well kept homes. It is true that we are handicapped here by not having better railroad facilities, yet there is no handicap so big but what it can be overcome if we all just think so and do our share in eliminating it. We are here to do our share.

As we stated above, the past is dead, and in the future we are going to conduct our paper for Denton, and vicinity, first, last and always. We are always open for suggestions and will be glad to talk them over with you either at your home or at your place of business or our office or if you prefer will be gladtoreceive them in writing.

We realize that as yet I am a comparative stranger to the most of you, and you may say, "you will have to show me that you expect to give us the best there is to be had in a way of a newspaper," which is all right. If i show you will I have your support? I believe you will.

NEWSPAPAPERS AND THE PUBLIC

Roy W. Howard, head of the Scripps-Howard newspapers, discussing what newspapers owe the public, says first of all a newspaper must be a good citizen and a decent neighbor

He says they should encourage tolerance and never forget that a smile has an asset value even in the midst of a fight. He would not print a story that puts a criminal band on a young person.

He thinks no story should be printed that raises a question on the part of a clean-minded boy or girl that cannot be answered or explained by any parent familiar with moral realities of life.

This is a fine stand by an executive of a group of papers that go to working people in hundred of thousands of homes. registering a tendency toward cleaner journalism.

This new order is bound to minimize crimes, scandals, details of social and moral delinquencies, and substitute more space for industries and enterprises by which nine-tenths of the people make a living.

PATRONIZE YOUR MERCHANTS

In a small town in Ohio there lived a man who had the habit of buying practically everything for himself and family from a large mail order house of the west.

The home needed a bed room suite. He sent the mail order house a nice sized money order for same. After two weeks waiting he received a letter from the firm telling him to go to Piqua, O., a town about 10 miles from him, to a particular furniture factory where he could get his bed room suite.

This set the man thinking. While in Piqua he went to a furniture store that he knew was handling the line of furniture made by this factory and inquired the prices. He found that he had paid $12.30 more for his bed room suite than he would have paid if he had bought it at this store.

What was true in this case is true in thousands of others. Your home town merchant can not only give you as good prices but you can see just what you are getting when buying from him. Besides money invested with him returns to you many times. He lives here, pays taxes here, employes people here and helps to make possible those many things that make your community what it is. Patronize your home town merchants whenever possible.

CONGRATULATIONS FIREMEN!

Last Thursday night marked the first anniversary of the receiving of the new fire engine by the Denton Fire Department.

To realize that this has been a good investment one only has to refresh his mind and go back over the good work done by the Department the past year. Not only a great saving in property loss has been made but an inestimable good has come from the feeling that has been created towards Denton by the surrounding towns in the county. It has broken down that barrier of ill feeling that existed between the towns, in which all should have a feeling of satisfaction. Much good can come to Caroline county if the towns in that county will work together.

The members of the department should receive the congratulations of every citizen for the splendid work they have done the past year.

RIDGELY

Miss Irene Neff was given a miscellaneous shower in the basement of the Reformed church Monday evening in honor of her approaching marriage to Mr. Herbert Koeneman, assistant cashier of the bank of Ridgely. The large gathering present were entertained with music by the Ridgely orchestra and Mrs. Thompson Swing gave recitations. Rev. George Fitz, in behalf of Miss Neff, thanked the people for this presentation of useful and beautiful gifts. Lemonade and saltines were served. The room was artistically decorated with pine, laurel and crepe paper.

Miss Nora Harrison, a graduate nurse of the Methodist hospital, Philadelphia, was killed in the accident at Marcus Hook last week. Miss Harris on was once a resident of Ridgely. Mrs. William Harrison, who has been spending some weeks at the home of her father, Rev. L. S. Matthews left to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law.

Miss Ada Matthews has been confined to her home this week with grip.

Mrs. Eugene Cooper and children of Wilmington have been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Carroll Meredith.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seward and Rev. M. E. Wheatley and family were entertained at a turkey dinner at the home of Mr. ano Mrs. Henry Wilkinson last Friday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Muller of Easton has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Carolyn Mancha.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jackson have as guests their son, James, of Wilmington, and their daughter, Mrs. Quentin Engle, with her little son, from Marion, O.

Mrs. Otis Wharton and children of Philadelphia have been spending a few days with her parents, Mr. annd Mrs. George Imler.

Mrs. H. A. Kinhart and mother, Mrs. Willis have been visiting Easton relatives.

Rev. L. S. Matthews is recovering from a severe attack of grippe.

Mrs. Robert Fleetwood and son, and Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Kern, of Denton, were entertained on Tuesday of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Porter and two daughters of Stevensville have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Koeneman and son of Cordova have been spending a few days with relatives here.

An A & P store is under consideration for Ridgely.

Miss Margaret Ludwig won a bronze medal and first prize for writing the best essay on "The Life of Abraham Lincoln."

Mrs. Mary Hagadone and daughter, Hattie, will move into the house owned by Mr. Harry Laird and adjoining his home on Central avenue.

Mrs. Harold Fountain and little son of Downingtown, Pa., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Emma Jackson.

Mr. John M. Swing and family and Mrs. Mollie Rickards motored to Smyrna, Sunday of last week and visited friends.

Mrs. Allan Parsons and Mrs. Lavinia Hoy of Harrington have been visitors at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thompson.

Miss Lola Mitchell has been spending a few days with her sister, Vianna, in Baltimore.

Miss Maud Ford of Federalsburg has been spending a few days with Mrs. Calvin Lynch.

Messrs. Harry and Fred Harrington of Wilmington have been visiting their brother, Mr. Harlan Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stevens of Rehoboth have been visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Laird.

Miss Dorothy Holland is taking treatment at the State Sanitarium.

Mrs. Charles Scully and son of Claymont, Del., have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Scully.

Mr. Tom Rickards of Polytechnic Institute, Baltimore, has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Rickards.

Dorothy, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Connolley, died Tuesday of last week of pneumonia.

The revival meeting at the M. E. church have been postponed because of sickness among the members.

Miss Edna Milby and Mrs. W. E. Sparks and children of Bridgetown have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rickards.

Miss Elizabeth Fleckenstein, who has been holding a position in Easton, has returned to Ridgely.

Mr. Dudley Price and family of Tranier, Pa., are visiting at the home of his father, Mr. Samuel Price.

Mr. and Mrs. Stafford of Easton, and Mr. Houston Pennington and family were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger on Sunday.

Rev. George Fitz is attendinig the Reformed church conference at Lancaster, Pa.

Mrs. M. E Wheatley and two children, Melvin and Gertrude, have been on the sick list.

GREENSBORO

Allen Curry of Wilmington visited his parents over the week end.

Veda Hubbard of Philadelphia is spendinig the week with his mother.

Rev. J. E. Berkstresser was in Washington last week, returning home on Monday. Mrs. Berkstresser and children. Mildred and John Emory, accompanied him home. They had been spending some time with relatives in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dukes and son, of Hickman, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Passwaters on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Curry spent Sunday with Mrs. Curry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bates Dill, near town.

Miss Helen Weaver spent the week end in Salisbury.

Hewitt Smith of Washington spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Alvin Smith.

Miss Bessie Edwards of Stanton, Del., visited her sister, Mrs. John Wyatt, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester King and children, of Tranier, Pa., spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Thorpe.

Miss Mildred Carroll, of Near town, spent the week end with Miss Virginia Dickerson.

Rev. and Mrs. Melvin G. Morris are spending a few days in New Jersey, where Mr. Morris was called to the bedside of his grandfather.

Edgar Shockley is attendinig a Sunday School Workers Conference in Baltimore this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hutson and children of Wilmington were Sunday visitors in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thornton and son and Matilda Stevenson were Fredrica, Del., visitors on Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Satterfield spent Tuesday with Mrs. John Wyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pine of Wilmington spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Pine.

Mrs. Charles Wieneke had the misfortune to sprain her ankle last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Deener and friends of Philadelphia spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. John Wyatt.

Mrs. Beverly Goldsborough and daughter, Eleanor, are visiting in Baltimore.

Mrs. William Hammond and son, Wallace, of Masten's Corner, Del., spent Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Thornton.

Misses Mae Pippin and Louise Swann spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith at Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Weaver and Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Phillips and little daughter attended the Sunday services of the Chautauqua at Frankford, Del., last Sunday.

Several citizens of our town attended the Chautauqua at Harrington on Tuesday evening.

The Ladies Aid of St. Paul's M. E. church will meet at their meeting hall Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Margaret Reed of Washington is spending her vacation with her mother, Mrs. Charles Adams, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kinnomon and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Kinnamon and little daughter, Ruthanna, were in Marcus Hook over the week end.

Miss Mary Stufft entertained on Tuesday evening Misses Lillie Baynard and Myrtle Cooper and Frank Hubbard, Norman Baynard, Louis Bryan and Fred Johnson.

Miss E. Hughes will be in Philadelphia Monday and Tuesday attending the retail millinery opening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Morris and D. R. Dickerson of Smyrna spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Richards.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Porter and son, Frank, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with James H. Ward and family.

Mary Hicks is ill with the grippe.

Mary Faithful has been on the sick list.

Miss Minnie Pinder has been on the sick list.

Harry Stevenson is still slowly improving.

R. L. Hicks is still very ill.

Miss Martha Carrow is on the sick list.

Mrs. Sam Knox is on the sick list.

Paul and Hilton Dabson are on the sick list.

Offspring—Mama, why did you marry Papa?

Mama—So you've begun to wonder too.—Pitt Panther.

"Dear editor: I am in homely girl, but she doe care for me, while a pretty g lots of money wants to marry what shall I do?"

Marry the one you love and send me the address of the other one.—The Cordo-Hi

SPECIAL EIGHT DAY
FEBRUARY
Cash Reduction Sale
Beginning February 21
All Lines of HARDWARE consisting of

OILS
TURPENTINE
PAINTS
VARNISH
FARMING IMPLEMENTS
HARNESS
RUBBER GOODS
ELECTRIC FIXTURES
AUTO ACCESSORIES

and all other articles of Hardware will be sold
AT TEN PER CENT REDUCTION
during this sale
EXTRA SPECIAL REDUCTIONS
will be made on
Majestic Cord Tires
Willson Heaters
Woodlyn & Ringgold Hot Blast Stoves
Open stock Attractive Pattern 100 Pc.
DINNER SETS
Oyster Shells and Rock Salt

Preston Hardware & Auto Co.
Preston, Maryland

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

J. OWEN KNOTTS, Solicitor

NOTICE OF
FIRST MEETING
OF CREDITORS

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Maryland
In the matter of
ALFRED P. HAMMER, Bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on January 30, 1925, the said Alfred P. Hammer of Caroline County, Maryland, was duly adjudged bankrupt, and the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the law office of J. Owen Knotts in Denton, Maryland on the 10th day of March, 1925 at 2 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.

EDWARD T. MILLER, Referee,
Easton, Maryland

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 testamentary on the personal estate of
WILLIAM A. THOMAS
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 31st day of August, 1925, or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 3d day of February, 1925.

NONCY F. THOMAS,
Executor of William A. Thomas, deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscriber of Caroline county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of
FRANCENA DAVIS
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 6th day of October, 1925, or they may otherwise, by law, be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 18th day of February, 1925.

J. VIRGIL MOORE,
Administrator of Francena Davis, deceased. 19-3t

HOLIDAY NOTICES

Caroline County Bank
Greensboro, Feb. 18, 1925

This bank will be closed all day Monday, February 23d, it being a legal holiday. All notes payable here and maturing on that day may be paid on the day following:

T. C. HORSEY, Cashier

The Farmers & Merchants State Bank
Denton, Feb. 18, 1925

This bank will be closed all day Monday, February 23d, 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

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

PUBLIC SALE
—OF—
HORSES, CATTLE, ETC.

Having decided to discontinue the dairy business on account of labor, I will sell at public sale at my home, near Piney Church, on

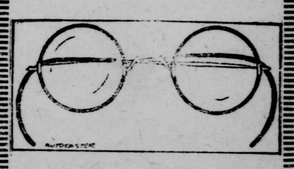
Monday, Feb. 23 1925

commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., the following high-grade cattle, horses, etc:

One Guernsey cow, 8 years old, fresh; 1 grade cow, 9 years old, fresh; 1 Jersey cow, 5 years old, fresh; 1 Jersey heifer, 2 years old, fresh; 1 Jersey heifer, 2 years old, due to freshen 6th of March; 1 pair of bay mares, 7 years old, weight, 900 pounds good workers and drivers; I oil brooder nearly new, capacity 000; a quantity of soia bean hay, from 8 to 10 tons. All this stock will be guaranteed.

TERMS OF SALE: On all sums of $10 and over a credit of six months will be given, purchasers given interest-bearing notes, approved by the undersigned. Sums under $10, cash.

JOHN R. WOODHALL
Jas. Temple, Auctioneer.
J. A. Beck, Clerk. 19—1t



FACTS WHICH MAY INTEREST YOU!

NINE out of Every TEN persons over 21 years old have imperfect vision.

66% of the school children have defective vision. 25 to 40% have serious errors in vision.
53% of the inside workers are in need of aid to vision.

ARE YOU HANDICAPPING YOURSELF?
COME IN THIS WEEK

F. J. WRIGHT
OPTOMETRIST

If you want to BUY a good Used Car
you should see the
Ford Sedan
that we have for
Sale
Den-Mar Mobile Co.

RAISE MORE CHICKS
by using
ORNELL'S
Chick Starter - Chick Scratch
Growing Mash
Best Quality, price reasonable
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