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LARGE CROWD ENJOYS DISPLAY OF ANTIQUES

Community Club Held a Fine Exhibit in Club Room Friday Afternoon

WEATHER NO HINDRANCE

A most interesting and valuable collection of antiques and curios greeted the visitors to the Women's Club room last Friday afternoon. All those who braved the storm felt more than repaid by the remarkable exhibition.

The program committee, consisting of Mrs. H. E. Ramsdell, chairman; Miss Mary Hobbs, Mrs. J. Alda Jackson, Mrs. J. M. Muessen, Mrs. A. C. Pickering and Mrs. J. T. Carter, were ably assisted by the Misses Myrtle and Hattie Dukes, Mrs. H. L. Cooper and Mrs. Howard Pastorfield in the task of collecting and arranging the curios. The various articles were attractively arranged on the walls and tables of two sides of the room, and each was marked, giving its history or particular reason of interest.

It would be impossible to catalogue the entire collection. Special mention must be made, however, of certain of themost interesting articles. An exquisite shawl was lent by Mrs. Elizabeth Pippin, which had been brought from China by her uncle, Dr. Corkran, who was the surgeon on Amiral Perry's flagship. Walrus tusks and teeth secured by him when on a relief expedition to Greenland, were on exhibit. Mrs. Pippin also lent the veil worn by her grandmother at a ball given in honor of Lafayette.

The scarf and spurs worn by General Potter in the Revolutionary war, and a cap worn by his wife, were donated by Miss Helen Richardson.

Several beautiful Paisley shawls, donated by Miss Anna Stewart, drew the admiration of all the ladies. There were a number of very beautiful colored counterpanes.

There were many kinds of old and valuable china in the exhibit. One table was devoted to lustre ware, loaned by Mrs. H. L. Cooper and Miss Anna Stewart. Still another table held some willow ware, donated by Mrs. B. B. Brumbaugh and Miss Myrtle Dukes. At the opening of the exhibit Miss Dukes told the legend of the origin of the willow design which added much to the interest in it. A Lady Gay plate formed a part of the exhibit.

Mrs. Mary Simmons loaned a shoulder shawl which is 115 years old, a purse made by her father in England, and a two penny piece.

The Aztec pottery, from New Mexico, and the Philippine hats, the donation of Mrs. Alda Jackson, while the pewter dishes, 300 years old, were loaned by Mrs. J. W. Muessen. An interesting fact brought out by the exhibit was that Mrs. Muessen's mother was a descendant of the Vikings. An inlaid chess table, also the donation of Mrs. Muessen, was greatly admired.

Various bits of rare china, old candlesticks and a silver one equipped with a snuffer, a collection of war relics from Gettysburg and Aberdeen, candle molds, saddle bags, fireplace waffle iron, Indian hammer, spoons made from remelted silver buckles, daguerreotypes, snuff box, spinning wheel, boot jack, an exquisite cameo, a document written by John Adams, when president, pictures done in crewels—these and many more things formed a display which was at once interesting and instructive. It had not been realized that Denton or the nearby towns held so much of interest in the realms of the antique. The committee is to be highly congratulated on the collection and arrangement of the articles.

Before the formal opening of the exhibit at 2 o'clock, the school children were the gusts of the club, as a ball game prevented their seeing it later. The arrangement was a fortunate one, as the rooms were filled with the older visitors from 2 until 4.

CO-OP. CANNERY IS NOW ASSURED FACT

The co-operative cannery at Denton is now an assured fact. Sufficient acreage has been secured to operate the plant and a definite agreement has been reached between the association and Mr. F. R. Owens, the canner with whom the association is co-operating.

A meeting of the members of the organization was held at the court house in Denton on Wednesday night at which time a permanent board of five directors was elected for the ensuing year. The following comprise the board: Messrs. J. S. Long, W. W. Noble, W. J. Martin, F. D. Ziegler and H. E. Holsinger.

INVOICES

By THE CRACKER

We know by our invoices the best we produce; the best is the basis upon which we count, and we watch with delight the figures which mount with no mention of nubbin, or grain of no use. The fruits of the vineyard, the pigs of the sty, we mark on our list but the standard we seek, the steers of the pasture, the ewes trim and sleek, and the culls and the runts we simply pass by. Do we by this standard our fellow men judge? Do we for the best in their character look, and inscribe but the best of their deeds in the book, instead of their faults in the taril which they trudge? For surely mankind at par should be placed with the fruit of the field and the cloth of the loom; nor his virtues exposed to oblivious doom while the fault of the other we gladly erase. Let the virtues of men be graven on high, in our mem'ry an asset to stand; and mistakes, if inscribed, let it be done in the sand, to be effaced by the winds passing by.

DIST. W. F. M. S. TO MEET IN M. E. CHURCH APR. 28

The Middletown district meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society will be held in the Denton M. E. church, Tuesday, April 28th.

The morning session will open at 11 o'clock. Ladies from Baltimore and Washington will speak in the afternoon. In the evening Mrs. McDowell, wife of Bishop W. F. McDowell, will deliver an address. Everybody welcome.

COUNTY P. T. A. MEETING ON MAY 1

A meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Caroline county will be held on Friday evening, May 1, in the Court House. An excellent program is in store for all those who attend. The parents, patrons and teachers of every school in the county are urged to be present. These meetings are exceedingly interesting and most helpful in many ways. As the roll is called let YOUR school have YOU as a representative. Friday, May 1, 8 o'clock, Court house, Denton, Everybody come!

ILLUSTRATED INDIA PROGRAM

For next Sunday evening, April 26, a missionary program is planned for the Church of the Brethren. There will be four main speakers on the following subjects:

Locating the mission in India
The religions of India
The missionaries of the Church of the Brethren
The missionaries and their work

After each talk views will be thrown on the screen illustrating each talk taht we may learn by means of the eye as well as through the ear. These pictuers are mostly from Mr. Arnold's own camera, (he and his wife having spent seven years in India). You are cordially invited to be present and enjoy the pictures with us. Remember the time, 7:30 next Sunday evening.

SAMPLE UNIFORM PLEASES FIREMEN

Denton firemen were very much pleased with the sample coat and hat of the new dress uniforms which N. Snellenburg of Philadelphia sent for their approval begore going ahead with the order.

The coat is of blue serge, double breasted, with a soft roll lapel, and has nickeled buttons and a badge. The cap is blue, with visor and band and has a detachable top, and a badge showing the company to which the member belongs. The trousers will be of white duck.

The outfit will present a very pleasing apearance and will be something on the order of a yachting costume.

BRICK WORK STARTED ON SCHOOL BUILDING

Work is progressing on Denton"s new high school building. Masons have ing begun laying the brick work and are about half finished laying the brick foundation which will be below the ground, or terrace. By next week the work of the building itself, above ground, will be begun.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

The Ladies' Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Longenecker last Saturday afternoon. A goodly number of ladies listened to a well prepared and interesting program on home missions, after which delicious refreshments were served. Their next meeting will be May 9.

FIELD CORPS OF EQUITABLE LIFE HOLDS MEETING

W. B. Parker, Led Wilmington District in Number of Applications Written

BANQUET AT THE HOTEL

On Thursday afternoon the Field Service Club of the Equitable Life Assurance Society met at the Brick Hotel. The business session is the afternoon was addressed by Messrs. J. B. Warner, agency manager, L. Rosenblatt and J. B. Whaley,. district manager. The local representative, Mr. Wilmer B. Parker, was agreeably surprised when it was announced that he led the Wilmington district in the greatest number of applications written in the recent ten-day drive.

At six o'clock the members enjoyed a bountiful and excellent banquet. The table was attractively decorated with flowers, and everyone was delighted with the menu, which follows:

Grape Fruit Cocktail
Roast Turkey and Cranbery Sauce
Dressing Gravy
Mashed Potatoes Candied Yams
Cold Ham Fried Oysters
Pickles Saltines Celery
Cold Slaw Sliced Tomatoes
Maryland Biscuit Hot Rolls
Ice Cream and Cake
Coffee Iced Tea
Cigars

The members of the club present were: Messrs. J. B. Warner, Jr., L. Rosenblatt, J. B. Whaley, of Wilmington; C. J. Holzmueller and T. C. Collins of Milford; B. F. Johnson, district manager, W. E. Tilghman, and J. L. Scotten of Dover; R. Y. Wallen, Clayton; W. H. Jump, Wyoming; Lee Wooten and R. F. Thompson of Laurel; W. B. Derrickson, Selbyville; W. B. Parker, Denton. Dr. P. R. Fisher and Dr. D. O. George, as examiners for the company, were their guests at the banquet.

MRS. SUSAN E. STEVENS

Mrs. Susan E. Stevens died Thursday night, April 16th, aged 86 years. Mrs. Stevens was a daughter of the late Senator John W. Kemp and Sarah Caulk Kemp, and was born at the ancestral home, Wade's-Point-on-the-Bay, Talbot county. On December 30, 1870, she was married to the late Mr. Charles Stevens, postmaster and druggist, and came to this county as a bride.

Mrs. Stevens was a woman of rare intellectual charm. She received her early education from private tutors in her father's home and at St. Michaels Academy. Later she was a student at Wesleyan Female Seminary, Wilmington. Mrs. Stevens has the distinction of being the first Episcopalian in Caroline county. She started a mission and Sunday school, and largely thru her efforts the present church was begun. For many years she served as either president or secretary of the Guild, and was the first superintendent of the Sunday school.

J. Kemp Stevens, former clerk of the Circuit Court for Caroline county, and a prominent lawyer, and Charles E. Stevens, a deputy clerk, were sons of the deceased. Mrs. Stevens leaves to survive her two sisters, Mrs. E. G. Lowe and Mrs. Helen D. Tunis, and one brother, Charles Kemp, all of Talbot county, and a granddaughter, Mrs. S. R. Hetzer, of Baltimore.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Christ P. E. Church, with the rector, the Rev. I. A. McGrew, officiating. The pall bearers were Dr. W. A. Smith, Messrs. T. R. Green, Samuel Lewis, W. K. Scotton, W. H. Anderson and F. R. Owens. Interment was made in Denton cemetery.

MRS. ARNOLD WILL ADDRESS WOMAN'S CLUB

At the regular meeting of the Community Club on Friday, May 1, there will be an address on India by Mrs. S. Ira Arnold.

Mrs. Arnold has spent several years in the missionary field there and has a first hand knowledge of her subject. Several weeks ago she addrssed a missionary entertainment in the M. P. Church, where she won many admirers. It is hoped the club meeting will be well attended.

BERRY CHECKS

Berry season will soon be here. Look over your stock and send us your order now so you will have them when you need them.

J. W. SMITH DIES; ONCE SENATOR AND GOVERNOR

Stricken March 28, He Succumbs At Age Of 80 At Home Of Daughter

BURIED AT SNOW HILL WED.

John Walter Smith, former United States Senator, former Governor of Maryland and for forty years a strong factor in Democratic politics in this state, died at 7:30 o'clock Sunday night at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur D. Foster, 830 University Parkway. Death was caused by an abcess in the left kidney, which broke March 28 suddenly bringing on a grave illness.

With the vigor which had carried him through eighty years of strenuous life, the winner of many severe political fights and business struggles he combatted his affliction with courage which well might have been exhibited by a much younger man, but last Thursday he seemed to tire of the conflict and began to weaken rapidly. His close friends, who until then believed he might recover, gave up hope. His last hours were without pain and durin a great part of Sunday he seemed to be sleeping.

Daughter at Bedside

With Mr. Smith at the time of his death were Mrs. Foster, her two sons, John Walter Smith Foster and Arthur D. Foster, J,., and his physician, Dr. Jeffries Buck. Mrs. Foster and her sons and Mrs. Charles W. Clayvilie, 90 years, old, a sister, of Snow Hill, are Mr. Smith's only close relatives.

Elected Governor In 1900

Mr. Smith served as Governor of Maryland from 1900 to 1904. In 1898 he was elected to the House of Representatives. He was elected United States Senator in the first Senatorial primary in that state in 1908 and was reelected in 1918. He was defeated by Senator Weller in 1920, when he again came up for election.

C. H. S. PRODUCES WINNER IN CHEMICAL CONTEST

Caroline high school is congratulating itself on producing one of the winners in the contest which has been held nationally by the American Chemical Society. Joseph Long, of the senior class, won one of the six state prizes, which gives him $20 and a chance to enter the national contest, composed of state winners, and also gives him a chance for a scholarship at the University of Maryland. His essay was on "Chemistry in Agriculture."

Last year Joseph was sent as a delegate to the Eastern States exposition at Springfield, Mass., in recognition of his splendid work in the boys' club.

TOWN ELECTION MONDAY

Monday afternoon the annual election of one commissioner for the Town of Denton will be held at which time a commissioner will be elected to serve a term of three years.

Only one candidate so far has announced his candidacy and that is Mr. Sherman L. Tribbitt who is a well known resident of Denton and it is thought that there will be no other candidate to oppose him.

Mr. S. Frank Cole, now the president of the town board, is retiring this year after having served more than twenty years as a member. Owing to ill health for the past several years, Mr. Cole stated that he would not seek the office any more.

BOYS SURPRISE LEADER

Monday evening the members of the Boys' Episcopal Club gave their leader, Mr. Eugene Anderson a very pleasant surprise party at the parish house. Mr. Anderson was gotten to the parish house without any suspicions on his part whatever of what was going on and he was surely surprised when he entered and the surprise was called to him. Games were played and also a game of basket ball. Refreshments were served before the party adjourned

A MISSIONARY IN AFRICA WRITES THE FOLLOWING

"The incoming mail is bloodstained. Our June and July mail is always a bloodstained service, owing to the long yellow grass just matching the yellow lion for ambush. After July the great grass fires sweep through the forest, but before this all is uncertainty and danger, and the mail carrier passes through many miles of desolate forest. * * * Once a letter came nearly bitten off two inches at the corner and the official verification pasted on was, 'Mail attacked by lions. This letter eaten'."

50% OF BERRIES KILLED BY FROST

The recent cold snap which gripped this section on Monday and Tuesday nights did considerable damage to the strawberries which were in full bloom. In some cases nearly all the blossoms that were out were killed. At the same time, certain growers report slight damage. It would probably be safe to estimate that more than 50 per cent. of the strawberries in bloom were killed.

From the present indications the injury to apples was slight. Possibly it is a little early to determine the full damage to this crop. But it seems to be the general opinion of the larger growers that the damage was of little consequence.

Tomato plant beds came through in fine shape generally.

SPLENDID LECTURER COMING MONDAY, MAY 4

Do not forget the public meeting to be held in the M. E. church, Monday evening, May 4. This is to be held under the auspices of the W. C. T. U., and the speaker of the evening will be Mrs. Jeanette H. Mann, of Massachusetts.

It has been said of Mrs. Mann by one who knows her and her work, "Her personality is good, her language fine, her vocabulary voluminous, her information abundant, her experience wide and varied, her logic convincing, her replies apt and quick, her elocutionary powers delightful, her voice distinct and far reaching, and her New England accent charming."

Surely this is a splendid recommendation and should insure for her audience a delightful evening. Everyone is cordially invited to come and hear her.

CAROLINE COUNTY SCHOOL APPEAL CASE WON BY STATE

A colored woman, of Ridgely, appealed to the higher Court when in the magistrate's Court she was found guilty of keeping her children unlawfully out of school.

The case was tried in the Circuit Court on Thursday last and she was found guilty. She was fined and ordered to pay the cost of court—the non-payment of which carries a jail sentence.

The rendering of this decision shows that the Circuit Court as well as the local Magistrates' Courts are thoroughly in support of the state school attendance law, which says that children between the ages of 7 and 13 must attend school every day school is in session. Children between the ages of 13 and 17 must attend at least 100 days, or the entire year if they are not regularly employed after the 100 day period has elapsed.

SPECIAL SERVICE AT M. P. CHURCH SUNDAY

At the morning service on Sunday at the M. P. Church, there will be present a large delegation from the Federal lodge Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Federaslburg. The address by the Rev. G. J. Hooker, pastor of the church, will be appropriate to the occasion, and a most interesting service is planned. All members of this organization, or of the sister organization, the Rebeccas, are especially invited to join this worship.

Illustrated Lecture Friday Eve.

An address on "Gardening" will be given at 8 o'clock Friday evening in the Court House by Mr. W. R. Ballard, vegetable and landscape specialist of the U. of M., College Park. Mr. Ballard is in the county this week, making addresses at various places under the auspices of the women's clubs. The lecture is illustrated and most interesting, and a cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend.

KNOX—WILLEY

A pretty but quiet wedding was solemnized at Denton Saturday afternoon April 11 at 2 when Miss Anna M. Willey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Willey, became the bride of Mr. James H. Knox.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. L. Adams. After a short honey moon Mr. Knox returned to his work with the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company.

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Don't wait until the day you need them. Let us print them now and have them ready.

"THE THREE PEGS" GREAT SUCCESS

Play Presented by Tri-C Class Tuesday Night Was Splendid

MASONIC HALL CROWDED

Masonic Hall was taxed to its capacity to seat the people who crowded to see "The Three Pegs" on Tuesday evening. Every available seat was taken, and extra chairs were brought in to accommodate the people.

The play was presented by the Tri-C class of the M. E. Sunday school and was coached by Mrs. Jonathan L. Hughes, Misses Stephanie Ford and Mildred Nuttle. From the moment the curtain went up and the girls sang "How Do You Do?" until the final lines of the play, everything went smoothly and without a hitch.

Briefly told, the story is o fa wealthy unmarried lady, Miss Weston, who has decided to adopt a 16-year-old girl and her extremely fussy and annoying Aunt Euphelia, who attempts to run everything. Three girls appear as subjects for adoption, and Miss Weston decides to keep all three for a month before making her final decision. Each girl is named Marguerite, hence the name of the play. With the evil scheming of the aunt, the various attitude and actions of the three girls and the Irish impudence of the maids, the play progresses to the happy ending with one Peg married, one with her new-found mother, and the last, and real Peg, about to be adopted by Miss Weston, who in turn, is to be married next day.

Perhaps the most difficult part in the affair was that of Aunt Euphelia. It was excellently played, however, by Mrs. Herbert McAllister, who never once forsook the true portrayal of the aggravating, complaining, meddling, busybody. Another hard character was that allotted to Mrs. Earl White, representing the ill-mannered, slangy Marguerite. Mrs. White played the part to perfection, chewing gum and all, and won much applause from the delighted audience.

The other members of the cast were very good in their parts, and the result was as near perfection as is possible for amateurs.

Music by Miss Anne Anthony enlivened the intermissions, while following the first act, a solo, "All Alone" was sung by Mrs. Raymond Fifield. After the second act, Miss Mitchell gave several announcements, later explaining the name of the class. Tri-C, she said, stands for Comrades, Coworkers, Christians.

The cast follows:

Emily Weston, Miss Elizabeth Cannon
Aunt Euphelia, Mrs. Herbert McAllister
Marguerite, Mrs. Earl White
Madge, Miss Lillian Kauffman
Peg, Mrs. George A. Butler
Sarah, the Irish cook, Miss Marie Eaton
Lizzie, her sister, the maid, Miss Catherine Meeks
Mrs. Conti, Mrs. Raymond Fifield
Mrs. Barclay, Miss Elsie Mitchell

TOAD HOLLOW BREVITIES

Hank Alderbush, who ain't been feel in' well for some time, went to the health clinic last week. The doctor looked him over and allowed as Hank was needin' more iron in his "vittles," so Hank went to the dentist an' got his teeth fixed an' on his way home stopped at the blacksmith shop an' bought a second hand crow bar.

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While Lawyer Atomizer was gesticulatin' in court the other day his right hand cuff flew off and hit Judge Applewyne in the mouth and broke his false teeth.

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There was an antique hunter thru here last week. He asked Dave Goosslum if he had any old stuff that he wanted to get rid of, and Dave told him that there wan't any stuff in the neighborhood old enough to have been bottled in bond.

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