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THURSDAY, JULY 30, 1925

THE DRIVE AGAINST DEATH PENALTY

Clarence Darrow, regarded by William Jennings Bryan as the greatest agnostic in the United States. backed by Dudley Field Malone, another arch enemy to the Fundamentalists, United States Senator Royal Copeland, and a number of prominent criminologists, psychologists, psychiatrists, surgeons and prison officials, are now to lead a movement to abolish capital punishment in every state of the union. It is planned to open the attack on "legalized murder" in the state of New York. Eight states have abolished state killing. Four states, Oregon, Washington, Arizona and Missouri, re-established capital punishment in 1918, but this action it is believed came as a result of hysteria during the war.

Penologists, pretty generally, regard capital punishment as a relic of barbarism, and they produce a mass of statistics to prove that the penalty falls chiefly on the poor and the helpless. The religious aspect will not be officially introduced into the argument, though it is expected, if opposition develops among the ranks of the church-goers, they will find themselves on the horns of a dilemna. Officially of course the government has no religion. Unofficially however the American people are recorded as a Christian people, and it is pointed out that Chritianity and capital punishment cannot stand on the same platform. It is held that even though man may have the right to fix punishment in this world he cannot justify his right to carry his judgment into the next world; that it is impossible, by judicial ruling, to fix the hour of possible repentance, and so safeguard offenders against the certainty of eternal punishment.

To kill or not to kill will be a question that will arouse more than everage interest.

FEDERALSBURG

In the death last Thursday of Rev. W. L. White at Easton, this town lost one of its best beloved pastors of other years. Mr. White, who served as pastor of Union Methodist Episcopal church here for five years, about 30 years ago, was retained in the hearts of the people as friend and counsellor throughout the years, returning very often to minister to the people where death or marriage called him.

While Mr. White had retired in the spring from the active ministry, and had located at Easton, Md., he was temporarily filling the M. E. pulpit at Oxford, Md.

He was a man of strong and engaging personality, versed in the Bible and the classics, and a preacher of power and strength. A host of warmest friends here mourn his going. He s survived by his widow and three sons—Charles, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Le Roy, of Philadelphia and George, of London, Eng.

Funeral services were held Sunday at Easton and interment made at Wilmington on Monday.

Dew—Thawley

Miss Pauline Thawley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thawley, formerly of near Federalsburg, was married on Saturday, July 18th, to Mr. Ray Dew, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Dew, near here. The marriage took place at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage at Denton, the pastor, the Rev. Melvin E. Wheatley officiating. Afterward a reception was held at the home of the groom's brother, Mr. Roy Dew, Federalsburg. Mr. and Mrs. Dew will reside here. The bride is a graduate of Federalsburg high school, class of '24.

Annual Family Reunion

The annual reunion of the Samual A. Williams family will be held at Cokesbury church on Wednesday, August 12th.

This family is one of the most extensive on the Eastern Shore and its annual convention, attended by members from far and near has come to be an event of much interest and importance to those concerned.

A program provided by some of the talented members of the family is an enjoyable feature of the day, the midday dinner with all its attendant goodies being perhaps the most memorable of the day's events.

Miss Caroline Jefferson, of Baltimore, left here last Saturday for a week's stay at Sherwood Forest on the Severn river, after spending a week here with her mother, Mrs. Lena Jefferson.

Miss Mary Davis, who has been a patient at the Union Memorial hospital, Baltimore, for seven weeks, returned home last Saturday very much improved in health. Her mother, Mrs. H. W. Davis went to Baltimore to accompany her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Garthe, of Baltimore, with their children, William, Edwin, and Anne, motored to their home last Sunday after visiting here with Mrs. Laura Fields.

Mr. Norman Davis, of Salisbury, spent the past week end here with his mother, Mrs. Martha Davis.

Mrs. Roland Handy, who has been spending a month near Sabillasville, returned here last Thursday. Her husband, who is a patient at the sanitorium, spent the week end here with his family. Mr. Handy is very much improved and hopes to be able to leave the sanitorium in September.

Miss Mary Todd, who has been assisting in the State Library Commission, at Baltimore for three weeks, returned home on Wednesday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Chambers and Mrs. H. E. Kinder and daughter, Miss Helen Kinder, and Master Elliott Noble motored to Ocean Grove, N. J., last Thursday returning home Monday night.

Mrs. Victor Sparklin with her two daughters, Barbara and Lois, left on Tuesday for Chicago to spend a month with relatives before going on to Florida to join Mr. Sparklin who is employed there.

Mrs. Anna V. Davis, who has been spending a month at Hartford, Conn., with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Cobb, eturned home Wednesday of this week accompanied by Mrs. Cobb and her son Frederick, who will remain for a lengthy visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carroll and son and daughter, of Washington, spent the past week end here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Sparklin.

Miss Madeline Murphy, of Hastings, N. Y., is spending some time here at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. R. Charles.

Miss Louella Brown, of Holyoke, Del., is visiting her nephew, Mr. Geo. W. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Chervor Davis have returned home from a weeks stay at Ocean City.

Mr. Alfred Charles recently visited his uncle and aunt, Prof. and Mrs. H. H. Murphy, at Hastings, N. Y.

Mr. Aaron Wright is spending some time with his daughter, Mrs. R. M. Andrew at New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hallowell and family of Ambler, Pa., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Jones.

Miss Bessie Parker has returned from a visit with Palmyra, N. J., relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Messenger and daughter, Kathleen, spent several days last week in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harrington visited the latters parents at Princess Anne recently.

Miss Florence Messenger has been visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. H. B. Messenger, Jr., at Lewes, Del.

Mrs. Irene Pratt and Mrs. Emma Gibson, of Centreville, are spending some time here with Mrs. Sallie Redhead and Mrs. Carrie J. Carroll.

Miss Kathleen Todd recently was a member of a house party on the Corsica river, near Centreville.

Mrs. R. O. Dean had as guests recently, he rsister, Miss Mildred Tull, of Marion, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Filip, of Chicago.

Mrs. Stella Knect and son, Albert, of Palmyra, N. J., spent the week end here with Miss Bessie Parker.

Rev. and Mrs. T. S. Holt have been spending several days recently with relatives in Cecil county where Mrs. Holt is remaining for a longer stay.

Miss Evelyn Lankford has resumed her work as stenographer after a vacation spent at Seaford and Rehoboth.

Mrs. Byrd Kidd and daughter of Mt. Airey, have returned home after a visit at the Methodist Protestant parsonage. They were accompanied by the ministers son, Master Albert Dobson, who will remain for a visit.

RIDGELY

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wilkinson and Mrs. and Mrs. Burton Wilkinson motored to Ocean City on Sunday.

Mr. C. L. Hobbs is home on a two weeks' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sewell entertained a few friends at cards last Friday evening.

Mr. Edwin Pearsaul, of the U. S. Navy, with his wife, has been spending a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Pearsaul. Miss Ella Pearsaul, of Baltimore, was also home for the week end.

Mr. Luke Andrews, of Ridgely, is now playing base ball with the Crisfield Crabbers.

The office of Dr. M. A. Brackett will be closed from July 30 to August 12. The doctor and his wife will take a motor trip to Maine, visiting places of interest on the return journey.

Mr. C. D. Lynch and family motored to Scranton, Pa., last week for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Paul Pritchett and daughter, of Philadelphia, and Mr. T. R. West and family, of Baltimore, were recent guests of Dr. and Mrs. M. A. Brackett.

Mr. James Knotts and wife, of Sudletrsville, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Starkey.

Mr. William Wilson and family, of Ingleside, were entertained for supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger, Thursday.

Lieut. Dudley Davis and sister, Miss Dorothy made a motor trip to Washington last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Muller, of Easton, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hemmons.

Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Herr are spending a few weeks with relatives at Claysburg, Pa.

Charles Stevenson, Jr., has been visiting at the home of his cousin, Dr. Stanly Grabill, at Mr. Airy.

r. and Mrs. Walter Elliott, of Goldsboro, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Ashcraft and son, motored to Ocean City on Sunday. On Monday they spent the day day in Baltimore. Mr. and Mrs. Ashcroft and son returned to their home in Wadesboro, N. C., on Wednesday. They are accompanied by Mrs. Holsinger, who will spend two weeks in the South.

Mrs. Ed Bowers and daughter, of Philadelphia, have been visitors at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Samuel Lane.

Mrs. Alice Wyatt and grandson, Carter Forester, have been visiting their daughter and mother, Mrs. Eugene Cooper, Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Lane lately spent a few days with relatives at Bethlehem, Pa.

An automobile party including Mr. William Ewing, Miss Virgie Sparks, Mrs. W. M. Wiley and Miss Hattie Hagadone spent Sunday at Tolchester.

Jack and Billy Finn, of Philadelphia, have been spending some time with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Carroll.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cherry and Mrs. C. F. Cherry were recent visitors at the home of their sister, Mrs. J. C. Kinnamon, Goidsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Ryan have been visiting friends in Smyrna.

Mrs. Allan Parsons and little son, of Harrington, have been spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Thompson.

Mrs. Emma Jackson has returned from a two weeks' visit at the home of her brother, Mr. Luther Leager, Bridgetown.

Mrs. Albert White has been entertaining her sister, Mrs. B. C. Millard, and daughters, Ellen and Dora, of Hormondale, Pa.

Mr. W. F. Snively and family, of near Trappe, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brumbaugh.

Miss Hilda Wooters has been spending a week with friends in Chestertown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Scully have been entertaining Misses Elizabeth Poore and Rosella Greenlee and Mr. and Mrs. Artis Scully, of Claymont.

Mrs. Ella Carlile, of Philadelphia, and her sister, Anna Frances Seward, have been visitors at the home of their brother, Lieut. Mervyn Seward, at Aberdeen.

Mrs. James Blanche, with her daughter, Gladys, and grandson, of Philadelphia, has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Hannah Snowberger.

Mrs. Emma Turner, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Mason and Miss Henrietta Swann motored to Grenloch, N. J., last week to visit relatives.

Miss Mary Lane is visitin gher grandmother, Mrs. Gaitley, in Baltimore.

Mr. Chance and Mrs. William Matthews, of Annapolis, spent a few days with Mr. H. E. Reininger, lately.

Mr. R. E. Fountain and family are spending two week at the home of Mrs. Fountain's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Swing, and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Fountain.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Bowen, of Collingswood, N. J., have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Smith.

Mrs. C. O. Starkey spent Wednesday with relatives in Templerville.

Miss Margaret Stevens and Miss Elizabeth Knotts, of Sudlersville, have been spending a few days at the M. E. Parsonage.

Attorney Jackson, of Baltimore, visited with his father, Rev, Leolan Jackson, last week.

Mrs. T. C. Pond, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Stanton, has returned to her home in Cleveland Park, Washington.

Misses Lola and Vianna Mitchell, of Baltimore, have been spending a few days at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mitchell.

Mr. Russell Swann, of Swarthmore, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Swann.

Mrs. E. E. Pendleton, J., who has been spending some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cahall, has returned with her little daughter to her home in York, Pa. Her sister, Miss Josephine Cahall, accompanied her for a visit.

Miss Hilda Wooters has been spending a few days with Miss Iris Leager, Chestertown.

Mr. James Wilson and family, of Elsmere, have been visiting Mrs. Wilson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Klotz.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Holsinger and Mr. and Mrs. Houston Pennington spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Pennington's sister, Mrs. Peter Cook, and family, Centreville.

Mr. Mervin Morris, of Wilmington, spent the week end at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Morris.

PRESTON

Dr. J. R. Phillips and daughter have returned home after spending several months in Florida and various other places in the South.

Miss Marie Proctor, who is attending the Peabody Conservatory of Music, in Baltimore, spent a few days with her parents last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Holt, of Cleveland, O., visited the latter's father, Mr. George Poole, recently.

Mrs. Frank Albaugh, of Cambridge, spent several days at the home of her father, Mr. George Poole. Mr. and Mrs. Albaugh have just returned to make their home in Cambridge after spending about eight months in Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mr. William McCarty, of Philadelpha, Misses Edna and Ruth Sites, of Camden, visited Mr. and Mrs. Lacy Fluharty last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Owens, of North Carolina, spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Willey.

Mrs. Ella Henry and son, Mr. Talbot Henry, are visiting Mrs. Sarah Fletcher and family.

Mrs. F. Hodges Ward, of Greenville, S. C., is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Agnes Waddell.

Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Sisk and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wright visited Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Downes at Newark, Del., last week

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Wright and family spent last week at Ocean City. Miss Isabel Douglas accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fletcher and son are spending some time at Ocean City.

Mr. Cookman Orrell spent last week end at the home of Mr. A. W. Sisk, whree Mrs. Orrell is spending the summer.

Mr. Stanley Ketcham, of New York City, visited Miss Naomi Parker last week end.

Mrs. G. J. Trotti and son, of Williston, N. C., are visiting the former's mother, Mrs. M. M. Parker.

Miss Emma Lame, of Baltimore, is visiting her sister, Mrs. M. M. Parker.

Misses Louise Wright, Blanch Alderson, May Le Compte, and Ethel Wooten were among Ocean City visitors last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Townsend, of Easton, visited Mrs. Fred Edgell, Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Douglas entertained some friends at a bridge party on Friday evening. July 24th.

Miss Alice Webb, of Cumberland, has been visiting Miss Virginia Fooks.

Mr. N. H. Fooks and family returned last week from Mountain Lake Park and Ashville.

Mr. J. Howard Phillips and family of Berlin visited relatives here last week end.

Mr. Lee Noble, enroute for his home in Cambridge, made a short visit with relatives in town after his return from a trip to Miami, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bowling, Jr., of Washington, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Wrightson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bdowning, of Washington, visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary Reynolds last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Wrightson last week.

Mrs. Bessie Noble visited relatives in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Chambers entertained the former's parents, of High Point, S. C., last week

Mrs. J. P. Wright, who is attending the summer session at the Maryland State Normal School, spent last week end at home.

Mrs. Walter Clements, of Plainfield, N. J., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Dennis.

Misses Katherine and Mary Rockbold, of Annapolis, are visiting their sister, Mrs. J. A. Cox.

Miss Hazel Wright spent last week with Mrs. H. B. Wright.

Rev. Robert F. Whiteley, of Williamsport, Pa., who recently returned from the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the M. E. church, visited his brother, Mr. Harry Whiteley, last week.

Mr. Charles Dean was surprised by a large number of his friends with a birthday party last week.

Misses Ann Wright, Dorothy Wright and Cornelia Cannon are spending a few weeks at Camp Royal, in the Annapolis River. This camp is conducted by the State Sunday School Association.

There will be no services in the Methodist church for the next two weeks.

VERNON

Mrs. Floyd Turner and children have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Ross.

Mrs. Laura Hopkins has been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Masten, of Masten's Corner, have entertained Mrs. . R. Ross and daughter Hazelle.

Mr. and Mrs. Wheatley have been visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hopknis.

Miss Marian Hopkins has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tharp Calloway.

Mrs. Thomas Clancey attended the lecture of Dr. Russell, principal of the demonstration school, at teachers' college, on Monday and moving pictures there, as the guest of Mrs. R. Wesley Ross.

Miss Elizabeth Smith, of Felton, has been visiting Miss Laura Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jump and children, of Burrsville, and a friend have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ross.

Many friends here mourn the passing of one of their fellow citizens, Thomas Sharp, who was a former cashier of the First National Bank of Harrington. He was one of the most highly respected men of the state, a staunch Christian, and one of the pillars of the M. E. church.

Mrs. Walter Hanson has been intertaining her brother from Philadelphia.

The Epworth League of Prospect church was recently entertained by Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Ross. All reported a fine time.

Mrs. Josephine Todd recently entertained her children from Chester.

Mr. and Mrs| A. C. Warrington and children have been Rehoboth visitors.

ORPHANS' COURT

At the regular session of the Orphans Court on Tuesday, there were present their Honors, Judges West Harper and Shawn, and the following business was transacted.

Minnie Eaton, administratrix of Ida Norris, deceased, filed account of sales of the personal property of said deceased sold at private sale, which was examined by the Court, approved and ordered recorded.

Renunciation having been filed, on application, letters of administration on the personal estate of August Rensing, deceased, were granted unto Edward E. Nuttle. Bond filed and approved. Notice to creditore ordered, and Leonard F. Covy and Charles Wright of R., were named as appraisers and approved by the Court.

Renunciation having been filed, on application, letters of administration on the prsonal estate of B. Ernest Reed, deceased, were granted unto Sylvester J. Fogwell. Bond filed and approved. Notice to creditors ordered, and Vachel Downes and Elmer Cole were named as appraisers and approved by the Court.

Renunciation having been filed, on application, letters of administration on the personal estate of Robert E. Coursey, deceased, were granted unto J. Harvey Coursey. Bond filed and approved. Notice to creditors ordered, and James Pinder and William Frampton were named as appraisers and approved by the Court.

Will Your Child Be a Repeater?

About half of more than 4,000,000 children who enter the first grade in the elementary schools each year fail to reach the second grade, according to a tabulation just completed by the Interior Department through the Bureau of Education.

Most of these pupils become so-called "repeaters." It is estimated that the cost to each school district is from $72 to $80 per year per pupil because these children fail to pass successfully the first grade of school, resulting in a tremendous waste in education which should command the serious consideration of every parent and teacher in the United States.

The Commissioner of Education in calling the attention of parents to this extraordinary situation, declares that much of this waste in education is due to physical and mental defects in the children. He believes that the number of pupils who repeat the first grade can be materially reduced if parents will give due consideration to the defects of their children before they enter school.

The Bureau of Education of the Interior Department is collaborating with the National Congress of Parents and Teachers in an intensive campaign to have children 100 per cent perfect in mind and body before entering school for the first time next September. Thirty States hvae already signified their intention of participating n the campagn. Parents throughout the nation are urged to join the campaign at once and to prepare their children for school during the next eight weeks.

The Bureau of Education has issued posters and circulars calling attention to the movement, which publications are distributed widely through parent teacher associations, to communities throughout the United States.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IDA CANNON, et al.
vs.
MARTHA GAREY
In the Circuit Court for Caroline county. In Equity. No. 1278.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors of this estate to file their claims with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Caroline County, duly proven, on or before the 10th day of August, 1925.

T. PLINY FISHER
Auditor

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the levy has been made for the year 1925 as follows—

State Tax, 27 12-35 Cents on the $100;

County Tax, $1.50 on the $100;

Intangible Personal Property, 45 cents on the $100.

Tax bills may be obtained upon request to Treasurer on and after August 15th, 1925, and paid net until October 1st. No discount will be allowed on any bills. Interest will be added to all bills immediately after the first day of October, 1925.

T. FRANK SEWARD,
Treasurer of Caroline County.
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