Items of News from All Parts of the County Solicited Under this Head.

The Local Department

DASHES HERE AND THERE.

Keep down the weeds.

Wheat, $1.06; corn, 78c.

The hay crop is short in Talbot.

Marydel camp managers meet today.

The small boy is seeking the old swimming place.

Highest cash prices paid for eggs.—W. J. Blackiston.

The town's sanitary condition should be carefully watched.

Sweet corn will next be given attention by some of our packers.

In the Denton market peaches were sold at 75 cents a basket this week.

W. R. Wright, Denton, begins a sweeping sale today. See large advertisement.

The big Over-the-Bridge store at Greensboro gives another great list of bargains.

Not more than two-thirds of a full wheat crop has been harvested in Caroline county.

Mr. Franklin W. Seth, a nephew of General Joseph B. Seth, is Talbot's new road supervisor.

S. S. L. Smith, Federalsburg, has 75 or 80 bushels of good recleaned scarlet clover seed for sale.

If you have a surplus of farm stock advertise it in the JOURNAL. It is the best and easiest way.

Mr. U. S. Voshell, near Old St. Joseph's Church, has, he thinks, about a ton of honey to be gathered from 61 hives.

Some unknown disease has continued to work havoc among Mr. Robert Bryan's hogs and his losses have been heavy.

The Fourth passed quietly hereabout. At some points there were disturbances, incident, it is said, to the free use of liquor.

Dr. Francis W. Janney, of Baltimore eye, ear and throat specialist, will be at the office of Dr. P. R. Fisher on the second Sunday of each month.

For the deep sympathy manifested and expressed by many Mr. and Mrs. George Porter, who recently lost a beloved son, wish to thank every one for their consolation.

The Class of 1913 of the Caroline High School will conduct a sale of ice cream on Saturday, July 13th, on the vacant lot at the corner of Main street and Fifth avenue.

The Centreville Record publishes an interesting history of the old Queen Anne's almshouse. The home for the wards of the county was established about 123 years ago.

J. Fletcher Clark has sold the James K. Polk Willis farm, on the Choptank, purchased on the green by M. B. Nichols and himself, to Wm. J. Burrows, of Talbot county, at private sale.

Activity in the real estate market, so noticeable in Caroline county for the past few years, is shared by Talbot. The number of deeds recorded in that county in the past twelve months was 409.

Rev. R. H. Lewis, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Galena, has been compelled to relinquish his work for the summer on account of ill health. Rev. John Thornton, of Wilmington, Del., will supply the pulpit.

Persons trimming thorn hedges along the public roads should remember that to throw the trimmings into the road is in direct violation of the State law, and, as there have been several complaints, those who violate this law are liable to prosecution.

During an electrical storm on Saturday night lightning struck the barn of Mr. Andrew Handworker, in the First district, and killed two horses, injuring three others. The building, which was insured with Cooper, Wright & Cooper, of Denton, was destroyed. The horses were uninsured.

It seems there has been quite a revival of the good old-fashioned clover which flourished so luxuriantly up until two decades ago. It is coming back, it is hoped, for it is needed on every farm. Mr. John Irwin harvested a very heavy crop of it. He showed us some stalks higher than his head. One was seventy-two inches high.

Mrs. C. M. V. Follett, representative of the Florence Crittenton Mission, is in Denton. She is authorized to present the work, organize circles, and receive contributions. The object of the Mission is the protection of the young, the rescue of the fallen, and the maintenance of a single standard of morals as equally binding on men and women; it also helps to deliver the "white slave" from the enslaver.

Elder Wilbur Stover, a returned missionary from India, will speak at the Brethren Church, in Denton, at 8 o'clock tonight; also at 10.30 tomorrow morning. Elder Stover has been in the mission fields for 18 years, and is now at home on a furlough of one year. He is well qualified by experience and otherwise to talk on the subjects he will discuss here, and all who hear him will be entertained and instructed. The public is cordially invited; admission free.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Sparks, formerly a Miss Holsinger, of Caroline county, wife of Bernard Sparks, formerly of the First district, was found upon the bare floor of her home in Baltimore on Tuesday last. The Baltimore American of Wednesday, says: "The last person to see the woman alive was her husband, who found her lying on the floor in an unconscious condition shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Realizing the serious condition of his wife Mr. Sparks hurried to the office of the nearest physician, who accompanied the husband back to the house. An examination of Mrs. Sparks revealed that life was extinct." The remains were brought to Ridgely for interment.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NEWS

A Nuptial Note of Interest—Mr. Fullerton Now a Law Graduate.

Mrs. S. I. Fullerton, of Philadelphia, is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. John S. Barnhart. Her son, Mr. Reese Fullerton, who was recently given the degrees of Master of Laws and Master of Patent Laws by the Georgetown, D. C., University, of which he is a graduate, spent some days here recently. He is connected with the Interior Department of the Government and is now looking after Montana land matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Glanding, Miss Reba Glanding and Mr. Chas. Glanding, of Wilmington, and Mrs. John Fisher, of Brandywine Springs, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bryan, Tuckahoe Neck, last week. The party came in Glanding's large touring car.

Miss Grace Sisk, daughter of J. Frank Sisk, and Harry Barnett of Chestertown, were married Wednesday in that town by Rev. F. T. Little, of Alnutt Memorial Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore.—Easton Ledger.

Dr. and Mrs. John L. Dukes and Mrs. Clarence Dukes and son, Clarence, of Philadelphia, were guests of relatives here this week.

Mr. Stephen Shipman, of Denton, has been awarded a scholarship at Washington College by the Orphans' Court.

Mr. William M. West, of Philadelphia, has been spending a few days with his brother, Mr. Thomas C. West.

Mr. G. T. Morgan has returned from North Carolina, where he has been engaged with a lumber firm.

Miss Ethel Irwin has returned home after spending two weeks with Mrs. William Carroll, Bethlehem.

Dr. Dawson O. George, having finished his State Board examination, has returned from Baltimore.

Mr. B. G. Stevens' health is still feeble, although he is much better than he was some time ago.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Shields, of Philadelphia, were here this week with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hardcastle, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Wilson.

Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Lewis, of Harrington, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Lewis this week.

Mr. J. R. Carroll and little daughter, Mary, of Baltimore, were with relatives here this week.

Mr. Philip M. Redden, of New York, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Redden.

Misses Anne and Katharine Dukes, of Baltimore, are at Plaindealing, the home of their father.

Mr. W. Lee Anthony has been graduated from the Automobile College of Washington.

Mr. Raymond Fisher, of Richmond, was here this week, the guest of Dr. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Purnell Johnson have been spending some time in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Longfellow, of Seaford, were here this week.

Mrs. J. Kemp Stevens is visiting relatives in Queen Anne's county.

Miss Belle Murchison, of Baltimore, is Mrs. A. N. Ward's guest.

Miss Elsie Green has returned from a visit in Philadelphia.

Appropriations For Fiscal Year.

Following is a list of appropriations made by the County Commissioners for various purposes:

State's Attorney	$ 1,000
Attorney's Fees	250
County Printing	300
Constable Fees	250
Clerk of the Circuit Court	1,800
Court stenographer	235
County Commissioners	600
Keeper of Dover Bridge	250
County Treasurer	1,200
Clerk to Commissioners	1,000
Inquest Fees	100
Errors and Abatements	500
Justices of the Peace	250
Jurors, Witnesses and Bailiffs	2,500
Keeper of Court House	250
Keeper of Denton Bridge	125
Keeper of Linchester Bridge	40
Keeper of Tuckahoe Bridge	60
Miscellaneous Accounts	3,000
Roads and Bridges, under Eng.	21,000
Out Pensioners	200
Orphan's Court	600
Public Schools	30,000
Incoporated Towns	925
Pauper's Coffins	30
Register of Wills	100
Registration and Election Exp.	2,500
Sheriff's Accounts	1,400
Support of Insane	3,000
Trustees of the Poor	1,000
Levy to Pay Court House Bonds	1,000
Levy to Pay County Bonds	1,000
Levy to Pay Jail Bonds	1,000
Interest on Court House Bonds	417
Interest on County Bonds	210
Interest on Jail Bonds	350
Discount on Taxes	3,500
Witnesses Before J. P.'s	25
Outstanding Notes	12,000
New Roads	300
Dover Bridge	3,000
Sinking Fund to Redeem $15,000 Bonds	1,000
Interest on Notes	500
Ridgely Agricultural School	7,500

Public School News.

Appointment of the following teachers was confirmed by the School Board on Tuesday:

Greensboro—O. P. Simmons, principal; Misses Ellen B. Ruby, Myrtle Thompson, Elise Roe, Mary Butterworth, and Margaret Screen, assistants.

Ridgely—Wallace Hook, principal; Misses Ethel Reese, Cecille Parks, M. Inez Dever, Lora Lynch, Sallie M. Perry, and Wiltsie Smith, assistants.

Federalsburg—Misses M. Lulu Sisk, Nellie Butler, Virgie Williams, Dora Noble, Eva Wright, Sallie Mowbray, and Lelia J. Cox, assistants.

Denton Primary School—Miss Laura Melvin, principal; Misses Myrtle Dukes, Caroline Redden, and Muriel Ramsdell, assistants.

Preston—W. L. Kirby, Misses Nona L. Parks and Helen Wheatley, assistants.

Hillsboro—Mrs. Mabel Knotts, assistant.

Baltimore Corner—Miss Inez Sinclair.

Bee Tree—Miss Edith Plummer.

Furman's Grove—Miss Sadie Allen.

Andersontown—Miss Ursula Slaughter

Miss Mary A. Burnite, of Milford, Pa., has been appointed teacher of home economics at the Caroline High School.

Hobbs.

In an automobile spin with Mr. H. C. Hobbs last Tuesday afternoon the numerous improvements on the road to Bloomery church, via Adam's mill, were noted by the writer. They speak volumes for the spirit of enterprise so apparent.

Mrs. J. E. Merriken and children, of Philadelphia, after spending a part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Merriken, went to Willoughby Station to be guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Rhodes.

Master R. H. Merriken, of Preston, after spending the week-end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Merriken, is now visiting his aunt, Mrs. Seeders.

Mr. W. P. Carroll returned Monday evening from the hospital, accompanied by his brother, Mr. O. A., who went to Baltimore Monday evening for that purpose.

While pushing a gondola car in place for lumber on Tuesday, a colored boy's foot was caught under a wheel and a painful accident was narrowly averted.

Mrs. S. F. Jopp on Tuesday evening of last week entertained a part of Ames Sunday School preparatory to Children's Day exercises July 7.

It is reported that Mr. G. L. Jopp will the present season operate one of his threshing outfits in Tuckahoe Neck.

Mrs. F. Murphy Thursday evening entertained the Ladies' Aid of Ames. Ice cream and cake in abundance.

Mrs. J. R. Ricards, with her cousin, Miss Mary Towers, made a business trip to Baltimore the last of the week.

To hear the politicians of this village one might conclude the political barometer was right here.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Willey returned Saturday evening from a week-end trip to Baltimore.

The Hobbs Manufacturing Co. is still preparing for the accommodation of the Bohemians.

Complaints of the absence from the JOURNAL of the Hobbs news have been heard.

Wheat-threshing is progressing slowly, owing to the damp condition of the grain.

The first peaches shipped from this point this season were by Mr. S. S. Sennett.

Miss Elizabeth Billing is recreating among Philadelphia relatives and friends.

Parson Bailey is filling his barn with nice hay, preparatory for winter.

Miss Esther Willey is visiting Federalsburg relatives.

Huckleberries are reported plentiful.

Two Johns.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Trice entertained a number of friends Saturday evening in honor of their son, Mr. Roland Trice. Games were indulged in until a late hour. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. H. Trice, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trice, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trice, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Towers, Misses Mattie Trice, Lillian Towers, Maude Trice, Mary Meredith, Lillian Fulton, Winnie Nichols, Ruth Meredith, Boberta Bowdle, Rhoda Downes, Elizabeth Towers, Irene Towers, Messrs. Hayward Hignutt, Howard Sullivan, George Towers, Jr., Arthur Rosser, Roland Trice, Hartman Cahall, Harry Sullivan, Brantley Trice, Willie Chambers, Norman Trice, Lacy Griffith, Louis Trice, Paul Pringle, Willie Towers, Ralph Hunt, Lee Nichols.

Mrs. Willie Liden and son, Willie, of Smithville; Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Towers and son, Grover; Mr. and Mrs. Clea Henry and sons, Norman and Orman; Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Towers, and Mrs. Powers, of Baltimore, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Towers Sunday.

Miss Maude Trice and Mr. Hartman Cahall, of Liberty, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trice Sunday.

People are now busy getting ready for wheat threshing.

Templeville.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Rickards spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives near Hope. They attended the Catholic festival in Centreville Saturday night. The trip was made in Mr. Rickard's car.

Mrs. S. C. Faulkner and daughter, Florence, have returned home after a two weeks' stay with friends and relatives at Ocean City and Wilmington.

Dr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith and daughter, Margaret, and Miss Helen Heather were in Cheswold Sunday. The trip was made in Doctor's machine.

Dr. J. R. Smith, A. F. Heather and H. S. Dailey attended the races at Frederica Thursday. The trip was made in Mr. Dailey's machine.

A meeting of the camp committee is called for today, July 6th. Tents and privileges will be disposed of.

Miss Myrtle Heather has returned home after two weeks spent with friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Edna Hart has returned home after spending the week with Miss Florence Smith.

Mrs. W. B. Townsend has returned home after a brief visit to Mrs. William Battis.

Miss Virgie Sparks, who has been quite sick, is convalescent.

Preston.

Miss Ella Whiteley was delightfully entertained last week at the homes of Mrs. James Wilson, in Ridgely, and Mrs. William Stevens, in Queen Anne.

Rev. Chas. B. Bailey, pastor of the A. M. E. Church, says the present structure is not large enough and is building a new one, 25 by 35 feet.

Mrs. Harvey Leasure and son, of Baltimore, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Leasure's father, Mr. B. W. Wright.

Mrs. Margaret Wright, of Baltimore, has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harriet Harris.

Miss Audrey Corbett has returned from a visit to relatives in Baltimore.

Wheat machining is in progress. The crop is reported not very good.

You will find the famous Martha Washington candy, in boxes, at the confectionery store of T. H. Wyatt, Denton.

BLACKBERRY IS PROFITABLE

So Is the Slow-Growing Gooseberry—Ridgely Items.

It is understood Mr. W. W. Seward, a popular berry-grower, realized $700 from three acres of gooseberries this year. These facts and figures cannot be disputed; and now many farmers are getting the gooseberry fever. Mr. Seward says: "You have to wait patiently for three years, after setting the plants, before you realize much return from this kind of fruit." This seems to be the most objectionable point in growing it. After once coming into bearing you have a continuous income for years, if they have the proper care. Another objectionable point, especially to those who pick the fruit, is you get picked yourself while you are picking it. Well, you can't raise the pretty, sweet rose without thorns. We must be willing to take the bitter with the sweet in all avocations of life if we would succeed. The most thorny and bitter things of our experience in life's history often, if not always, result for our best good. The man or woman with convictions and a strong determination to reach the goal will reach it, in spiritual realms of eternal bliss and glory, or win the victory in material things. He that putteth his hand to the plow and looketh back is not a good plowman, neither is he fit for the Kingdom.

About three hundred people gathered at the Reformed Church Tuesday night to witness the ordination of Rev. A. M. Rhan, pastor of St. Paul's Reformed Church. Rev. E. L. Coblentz, of Carlisle, Pa., formerly pastor of the church, and other ministers were present to assist in the ordination services. The sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. Coblentz, and after the ordaining services were concluded the entire congregation was invited to the basement of the church, where refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake, were served to all; after which several speeches from pastors and laymen were listened to with much delight, and a general good time was enjoyed by all. Rev. Mr. Coblentz's many friends were glad to meet him once again.

Those who are fortunate enough to have blackberries this year are realizing good prices. Five dollars per 48-quart crate have been offered by our buyers, but farmers realized even more by shipping. It looks very doubtful at present whether the Armour Company will get many of these berries this year, owing to high prices. It is understood they will buy all they can get at four to five cents per quart, but indications are they will not be able to get many this year at those prices, unless they have been contracted for.

Much sickness in the surrounding country is reported, but nothing serious. Green apples and other luxuries are the cause of some of the troubles. Be careful and don't indulge too much in these. While they are needful, yet they are harmful if we do not give heed to the laws of nature.

Master Louis Knotts, who several weeks ago was thrown from his horse and badly injured, with a broken leg, returned from the Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, on Saturday, much improved, and can go about on crutches.

The sewerage work of our town is being pushed rapidly now. About forty men are employed in this work. This is much needed, but it is causing taxpayers to groan.

Mr. John A. Dragoo and family, of near Greensboro, spent Sunday with the former's brother, Mr. E. E. Dragoo, and family, near Ridgely.

Mr. George Sickman and family, of near Greensboro, visited friends and relatives near Cordova last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Swing, of Ridgely, have been visiting Easton friends.

Mrs. John Tinley is on the sick-list.

Greensboro.

Greensboro Camp, No. 15910, Modern Woodmen of America, was organized July 2d, with 18 beneficial and one social member. The following were elected as officers: H. P. Bastian, consul; W. T. Smith, adviser; T. C. Horsey, banker; W. B. Massey, clerk; W. W. Goldsborough, M. D., physician; W. F. Murphy, T. C. Horsey, A. C. Bilbrough, trustees.

Greensboro's basis of assessment as shown by the recent revaluation as made by Messrs. R. R. Shull and John C. Harrington shows that the increase within the past year was about fifty thousand dollars. This includes the new hotel and quite a number of other new buildings. The Commissioners will on the 10th, 11th and 12th review the work of the assessors.

Mr. J. Albert Vansant, of Galena, is visiting his uncle, Capt. S. L. Walters, and Mr. J. William Davis, of Ridgely, is visiting his grandparents.

Mr. M. L. Weaver's residence, on Railroad Avenue, is nearing completion.

Bethlehem

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parrott, of Camden, N. J., spent the Fourth with Mr. Parrott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Parrott.

Miss Blanche Ammerman, of Greenwood, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fredericks, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Hall spent the Fourth with Mrs. Hall's sister, Mrs. G. W. Wooley, at Love Point.

Mr. Clinton Carroll entertained a number of friends at his home Saturday evening last.

Master Carroll Thompson, of Seaford, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Alva Blades, of this place.

Mr. Boyd Hall's new house is nearly completed and can be occupied in a short time.

The young people of this town spend many pleasant hours at the tennis court.

Miss Grace Hnbbard is home from teaching, on her vacation.

Mr. Harrison Hall is on the sick list.

Queen Anne.

Messrs. Medford Turner, Samuel Diggins, and Agent Rowens are among those hereabout who will build dwellings.

Hillsboro.

Mr. F. Asbury Greaves, of Hillsboro, and Miss Nan M. Fleming, of Wilmington, the eldest daughter of Mr. Harry Fleming, were married in Wilmington on Saturday last by the Rev. Mr. Dawson. After spending a few days sightseeing in Washington they returned to Hillsboro and are boarding at the Hillsboro Hotel. Mr. Greaves is employed by the Farmers and Merchants Telephone Company.

Dr. H. Clarence Duffey and two sons, of Washington, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jarrell over Sunday. His two sons, Hugh and Depew, will spend the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Cheezum and little daughter, Evelyn, of Baltimore, and Mrs. George Poole and daughter, Ruth, of Easton, have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evans this week.

Mr. Richard Beaven was operated on at the Mercy Hospital, in Baltimore, for appendicitis last Saturday. He is improving as rapidly as could be expected.

Mrs. Mollie Smith and daughter, Miss Blanche, of Wilmington, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Sparklin.

Mr. Noble Jarrell, of Goldsboro, and sister, Mrs. Harry Wright, of Choptank, are guests of their sister, Mrs. H. W. B. Rowe.

Mrs. I. T. Sparklin delightfully entertained the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. Church on Tuesday evening.

Mr. Wm. Arthur Holt returned from a visit to Baltimore friends Monday evening.

Miss Beatrice Cannon, of Ruthsburg, has been visiting Miss Helen Fleming.

Miss Anna Jones, of Greensboro, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Keets.

Henderson.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Gooden and daughter, Rachel, of Chicago; Mrs. W. E. Cartwright and children, Theodore and Esther, of Wilmington, and Mrs. S. S. James, of New York, are visiting their father, Mr. H. C. Gooden.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Quillen, Misses Delia and Lillian Meredith, Messrs. J. S. Raymond and Alda Montague spent Sunday with Mrs. Harry Bostic, at Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Hollingsworth, of Denton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hollingsworth.

Miss Lula Marvel, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Marvel, near Wyoming, is now home.

Mrs. C. E. McIlvaine, of Philadelphia, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. G. H. Wilson, over Sunday.

Mr. Jas. Exum, of Snow Hill, N. C., spent part of the week with Mr. A. B. Gooden, near town.

Mr. Howard Cohee, of Wilmington, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Cohee.

Miss Mildred Gooden has returned from a visit with Chester and Wilmington friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pippin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hevalow, at Ridgely.

Mrs. Kate Montague is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Morton Bennett, in Wilmington.

Miss Isabel Carrow spent part of the week with Mrs. S. D. Carrow, Greensboro.

Miss Hazel Dennison is now home from Millersville State Normal School.

Williston.

Miss Elsie Roe left on Wednesday of this week for Rehoboth, where she, with a number of other young ladies from Pennsylvania and Denton, are being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hobbs.

Mr. Ulie Todd, who was employed at Ridgely during the berry season, was called to Frankfort, Michigan, by the Armor Company.

Mrs. Annie Towers, of the State Hospital at Norristown, Pa., and Mrs. Charlie Collins, of Denton, were visitors here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Alda Jackson, of Goldsboro, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Todd.

Friends of Mrs. R. C. Rice are glad to hear of the improved condition of her health since going to the mountains.

Mr. F. E. Willoughby and Mr. William Taylor have beautified their new homes by a coat of paint.

Mr. J. W. Thawley has a beautiful patch of sugar corn, which he is getting good prices for.

Messrs. Bruce G. Stevens and Sherman E. Hignutt were in Philadelphia this week.

Mr. R. H. Maloney, near here, is quite ill. His friends have little hope of his recovery.

Messrs. William Maloney and Oscar Maloney spent the Fourth at Rehoboth.

Mrs. Carrie Crosby has returned from a visit with relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. William Crosby is spending sometime at Rehoboth.

Miss Katie Neal spent the Fourth at Dover.

Federalsburg.

With a capitalized stock of $25,000, and a surplus fund of $5,000, the First National Bank of Federalsburg was opened last week. Of this bank, Senator E. E. Goslin is the president and Mr. Bayard Nichols, the vice-president. Mr. E. J. Hammond, of the Western Shore, is cashier, with Mr. Philetus Jefferson as assistant. The directors are E. E. Goslin, H. A. Joyce, Jr., W. T. Hignutt, T. S. Holt, R. W. Messenger, Bayard Nichols, E. R. P. Grimes, J. R. Corkran, P. W. Sullivan, L. R. Towers, W. R. Breeding, C. R. Neal, E. L. Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Elwanger and son, Leslie, accompanied by Mrs. Elwanger's mother, sister, and brother, were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. McMahon Sunday. Mr. Elwanger made the trip in his touring car.

Mrs. Marietta Anthony and daughter, Marjorie, have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Maud McMahon.

Miss Effie Willis has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Brewster Deen, at Denton.

THE EASTERN ROUTE SHORTER

And More of It Has Already Been Built, Mr. Messenger Points Out.

Mr. H. B. Messenger, Federalsburg, showed us a few days ago a table of distances of the proposed State highways down the Peninsula. "You will notice," said Mr. Messenger, "that the distance from Hurlock to Church Hill via Easton and Centreville is approximately two miles greater than that by way of Denton; also that there are four-and-a-half miles more of road completed on the eastern route than upon the western, and about six-and-a-half miles less uncompleted road on the eastern road than on the western.

"The three strongest arguments in favor of the completion of the western route appear to have been that the total distance by that was less, that more road was completed, and that less mileage was required to complete the line. You will notice that all of these arguments are based on imagination, not on fact. There remains the argument that more county seats are served by the western route, which is correct: Centreville and Easton as against Denton alone. On the other hand, Centreville and Easton can readily be connected with Church Hill by the money due them upon the present bond issue or at least nearly so, provided they do not attempt the route from Easton to Dover Bridge. Dorchester county is certainly as well served by the eastern as by the western route, it being shorter and passing through a more progressive country, while Salisbury and three large counties are undoubtedly much better served by the eastern route since it will certainly be only a matter of a few years when the route east of the river between Eldorado and Federalsburg will be completed, a matter of only three or four miles of unimproved road at the present time, and the northern route from these counties will be at least ten miles shorter than by way of Easton and Centreville. Although the western route serves two county seats as against one by the eastern route, the latter, in the towns of Denton, Ridgely, Greensboro, Goldsboro, Federalsburg and the thickly populated country through which it passes, will serve fully as many people as the western route, while if the counties maintain the same ratio of improvements in the future as they have in the past, it will be only a question of a few years before the eastern route will be much more populous than the western. Already there is, no doubt, as much business done along the eastern route. The number of banks in Caroline county will compare favorably with the total of Talbot and Queen Anne, while the increase in value of real estate has been much more marked in Caroline than in the other counties named.

"In view of these facts it would certainly seem that the State Road Commission, when they fully understand the situation, which they undoubtedly do not at the present time, will at once see the inadvisability of spending Caroline's money in a portion of the county where it will be of so little value to at least nine-tenths of our people, when the arguments in favor of its expenditure at that point are, to say the least, so weak."

WESTERN ROUTE.	Miles
Church Hill to Centreville, (com.)	8½
Centreville to Talbot line, (uncom.)	8
Talbot line to near Longwood "	6
Near Longwood to Easton, (com.)	7½
Easton to Dover Bridge, (uncom.)	4
Dover Bridge to near Elw'd, "	7
Near Elwood to Hurlock, "	6
Also 1 mile State Aid road and bridge at Dover Bridge,	1
Total distance,	48
Completed,	17
Uncompleted,	31

EASTERN ROUTE.	Miles
Church Hill to Caroline line, (uncom.)	8½
Caroline line to Greensboro, "	7¼
Greensboro to Denton, (com.)	7
Denton to near Williston, (com.)	5¼
Near Williston to Trice Cor., (uncom.)	8¾
Trice Corner to Federalsburg, (com.)	2¾
Federalsburg to Hurlock, "	6½
Total distance,	46
Completed,	21½
Uncompleted,	24½

Harmony.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hubbard, Miss Lillian Godwin and Dr. Edward Hubbard, all of Easton, and Mr. Norman Clark, of Hillsboro, visited friends at this place on Sunday. The trip was made in Mr. Hubbard's automobile.

Miss Grace Cohee, of Hartley, who has been the guest of Miss Agnes Brodes, is now the guest of relatives at Greensboro. She was accompanied by Miss Brodes, who will also spend some time here.

Mrs. Flora Macklin, of Bridgeville, returned home Sunday, after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Martha Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel West and son, Howard, of Baltimore, were the guest of Mr. R. T. West the first of the week.

Mr. E. P. Foote and son, Lester, and Mr. Carlton West, were among those who visited Baltimore last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Deen spent a few days with Baltimore friends this week.

Miss Mary Butler is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Butler.

Burrsville.

Children's Day exescises at Union M. P. Church on Sunday morning last were a decided success and were largely attended. Collection for missions, $11.00.

Mr. and Mrs. William Beauchamp have had as their guest the former's sister, Mrs. Harrison Jefferson, of Milford.

Miss Mary E. Raughley, accompanied by her brother, Clifford, spent last week at Pen Mar and Braddock Heights.

Mr. Calvert C. Harvey, wife and baby, Master Arlington Harvey, are guests of relatives here this week.

Miss Mary H. Thawley is visiting friends in Wilmington and West Chester.

Miss Ruth A. Harvey is visiting Miss Irma Bailey at Hobbs this week.

Miss Iva Russell is on an extended visit to Philadelphia relatives.

Professional and business men find satisfaction in the printed stationery secured at the JOURNAL and their orders come regularly.

Be Careful of the Child's Eyesight.

A great many parents who believe their children are stupid would be deeply offended if they were told that the stupidity was all their own. And yet this is true in a great many cases. In fact, it has only recently been determined that a majority of instances where a parent complains that his child is stupid the child is not at all stupid, but the parent is quite stupid because he doesn't know this. The secret is in the eyes. So many thousands of children have trouble with their eyes, troubles that, while severe, are not of a sort that enables them to know themselves that it is their eyes. Thus these children with poor eyesight cannot apply themselves to their studies as well as the child with good or even normal eyesight. They fall behind in their studies without knowing just why. Then their parents learn that they are not keeping up with their studies and they promptly make up their minds, with natural secret sorrow, that their child is stupid. That is where their own stupidity comes in. Poor eyesight can be corrected in large measure by an eyesight specialist. Adenoids sometimes give the wrong impression that the child has a dull brain, and these can be quickly removed by a skillful surgeon, much to the relief of the child.

The New Steamboat Line.

"It looks now, as if there would be quite a conflict between the new Eastern Shore Development Steamship Company and the B. C. & A. Rrailroad Company," writes a correspondent. "The point of difference occurs at Claiborne, as the B. C. & A. Railway Company have declined to sell through tickets in connection with the Eastern Shore Development Steamship Line. The B. C. & A. people have declined to place on sale proportionate tickets based on their rates. Another point of complaint from the passengers is that while the B. C. & A. Railway Company sell round trip tickets from Claiborne to Easton and other stations on that railroad yet, they refuse to place on sale a round trip ticket in the reverse direction. The new line is getting more business every week, for the reason that they connect with Annapolis and Washington, and they also arrive in Baltimore from one-half to a full hour quicker than the old line, and in addition they land passengers in the center of the city, which is much more comfortable and an additional saving in time. The people of the Eastern Shore have wanted this competition for years and seem to be willing to back the new company with all the patronage possible."

Orphans' Court Proceedings.

In the Orphans' Court on Tuesday, Judges Clark, Rawlings and Stevens present, George F. Noble and William H. Wroten were appointed administrators o Eli Wroten, deceased. Bond filed and approved. Notice to Creditors ordered. W. W. Noble and F. P. Covey were appointed to appraise the personal estate. Inventory filed and approved.

William J. Wyatt, administrator of James Wyatt, presented an inventory and appraisement of personal estate, which was approved. Order to sell granted.

Helen F. White was appointed guardian to George Hess and Susan Mary Hess, minors. Bond filed and approved.

Albert G. Towers, custodian, presented the last will and testament of Edwin M. Garey, deceased, which was admitted to probate. Letters testamentary granted to Albert G. Towers and Edward Saulsbury Garey. Bond filed and approved. Notice to creditors ordered. Clinton C. Cook and Frank P. Covey were appointed to appraise the personal estate.

Goats Are Profitable.

Hundreds of inquiries regarding the possibilities in the United States of a goat industry are now reaching the Department of Commerce and Labor. These inquiries are the result of a recent statement by the Bureau of Statistics of that Department, that 250 million dollars had been sent out of the country in the last decade to purchase goat skins for use in this country, and that the commercial value of the 500 million goats which these skins represented would, had they been grown in the United States, have approximated a billion dollars. These suggestions, coupled with the further fact that goats of the class supplying the skins in question could be grown upon semi-arid and semi-mountainous land in the United States now practically unutilized, have added to the interest indicated by the inquiries now being made. Goats are said to be very useful in clearing up ground and some of them are used in this section of the country for that purpose.

The Dover Bridge Road Adopted.

Mr. Walter E. Miller, of Salisbury, and Senator E. E. Goslin, of Federalsburg, members of the State Roads Commission of Maryland, were in Easton Saturday to attend a public meeting of the citizens of Talbot county, to discuss the building of the State road leading from Easton to Dover Bridge. The court house where the meeting was held was filled with citizens when Mr. Miller called the meeting to order. N. E. Clark presented a petition favoring the Dover Bridge road, signed by about 500 citizens and taxpayers of the county. After argument the commissioners voted unanimously for the road.

"The building of this piece of road," comments an Easton writer, "will be the means of a direct route of good road through the Eastern Shore peninsula from Philadelpia, Baltimore and other cities."

Whiskey-Crazed Negro on Rampage.

Solomon Tribbitt, colored, was sent to Denton jail by Magistrate Wilkinson, of Ridgely, Thursday night charged with a murderous assault upon Ella Dobson, also colored. The woman was shot by the accused and fearfully wounded. Other women, including Tribbett's wife, were attacked and treated brutally. He kicked his wife, who had a baby in her arms, out the second story window, it was stated. Tribbett had become crazed by imbibing freely and the wonder is that he didn't kill some body. The victim of the shooting is now receiving treatment at the Easton Hospital. A message to the JOURNAL yesterday said she was getting along as well as could be expected.

VERY GREAT BENEFIT FOLLOWS

The Growing of the Crimson Clover Crops—Collier.

Mr. W. Oscar Collier, writing in the Easton Star-Democrat, makes some valuable suggestions to farmers. He says:

Agriculture is not merely a business, but an art as well, the art of producing plants and animals that are useful to man. A few years ago any one could be a farmer, as it was only necessary to sow and reap, as nature yielded up most lavishly and gave to man freely of the fertility she had been storing up for centuries. A system of extravagance and prodigality, however, has so impoverished the soil that in some parts of the country, especially in the old and settled sections like New England, many farms are already abandoned, having ceased to be profitable for farming purposes, and that, too, in localities where the land once commanded high prices.

By an intelligent foresight on the part of our earlier farmers these lamentable conditions of soil exhaustion might have been prevented. It is therefore necessary and incumbent upon the present and future gererations to depart from the methods that are responsible for these conditions and adopt in their stead a system of rational and business-like farming. I know many farmers in this section who are giving intensive thought to their business and are adopting modern methods in their farming operations, increasing thereby profits from their farms and at the same time increasing the fertility of their lands.

I know of no factor in farm economy so important as that of increasing the producing powers of the soil. I know of more than one instance where farmers have practically bankrupted themselves as a result of their methods of increasing the fertility of their soil. The dependence on commercial fertilizer as a source of maintaining soil fertility will prove exceedingly expensive and disappointing without the soil has been amply provided with humus-forming contents of organic matter.

Not infrequently have honestly compounded fertilizers been condemned as worthless when the fault was primarily with the farmer. Fertilizers judiciously used are as much a part of our farming economy as the very seed we sow, but the conditions surrounding its use and the crops upon which applied means profit or loss, as the case may be. Therefore the first principles of rational soil improvement should be to increase the organic matter in the soil and at the same time bacterial life as well.

This is done by one and the same process. The producing power of the soil is measured largely by the amount of bacterial life it contains, especially those of a beneficial character, and as these micro-organisms will not thrive in land deficient in organic matter, it behooves the farmer to provide this basic principle of good husbandry in any of the various farms at his command. Second only to the best manure is crimson clover, known also as scarlet or carnation clover, also as German clover. The plant is especially adapted to this section.

Our usual open winters allow the plant to make some growth nearly every month, which is an advantage in conserving the fertility of the soil and preventing blowing and washing. The length of our season will allow a