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NEWS ITEMS FOR OUR READERS

Frederick.—Release from prison of all conscientious objectors, by order of Secretary of War Baker, brought a storm of protests from members of the Francis Scott Key Post, No. 11, American Legion, at a meeting here. The post construed the action of the Secretary of War to be an insult to all loyal service men and women, and adopted resolutions along this line.

Hagerstown.—Ex-City Councilman Ernest W. Miller, at one time candidate for mayor, was convicted by Judge Frank G. Wagaman of selling liquor to Frank McCoy for beverage purposes. Miller contended the concoction was imitation brandy, a flavoring extract. City Chemist H. Lionel Meredith, who made an analysis, said it contained 35 per cent. alcohol. Sentence was suspended.

Frederick.—Bobby Walthour, the famous bicycle rider, holder of more national and international bicycle track records than perhaps any other cyclist, was arrested in Frederick by Officer John Adams, charged with knocking over two traffic signs at the Square Corner. He was picked up for operating an automobile without a registration card. At a hearing before Justice August T. Brust he was fined $1.

Hyattsville.—Calling attention to the fact that in 1918, 23,000 mothers died from causes connected with childbirth and that 250,000 infants are lost annually in maternity, Mrs. Eva C. Chase, chairman of the committee on civics of the Prince Georges County Federation of Women's Clubs, has issued an appeal to the women and mothers of Hyattsville to urge their representative and their senator to support the Sheppard-Towner Bill for the protection of maternity and infancy. Mrs. Chase points out that the wastage in lives incident to childbirth is more than three times greater than our total battle list in the World War.

Federalsburg.—Grandmaster Warren A. Seipp, of Baltimore, and staff officiated at the dedication of the new Masonic Temple here. The ceremonies were attended by Masons from all parts of the Peninsula and also from distant points. Following the dedication a luncheon was served and an interesting program rendered. Grand Master Seipp delivered an address in which he lauded the local lodge for erecting such a monument to Masonry. If there ever was a time when Masonry should go forward, he said it is now. The temple dedicated is one of the finest on the Peninsula and was erected at a cost of upward of $50,000.

Frederick.—Petitions are being circulated among the stockholders of the Frederick and Woodsboro Turnpike Company for an agreement on the part of each stockholder to sell their holdings to the State Roads Commission at the rate of $55.64 and a fraction per share in cash, this valuation being upon a basis of $40,000. This road has the last tollgate in the state, and has involved considerable controversy between the stockholders and the state. It is said that the stockholders hold the road at about $100,000, while the state was known to offer $30,000. The company refused to sell, and preparations were made to construct a "cut-off" road.

Frederick.—A formidable set of resolutions, urging national laws providing credit to farmers so they "need not market crops at a loss, prohibiting gambling in foodstuffs on stock exchanges, and abolishing race-track gambling in Maryland and in the United States," were adopted by the Maryland State Grange Association at its session here. The Sims-Sterling measure now before Congress prohibiting interstate transmissions of race-track information and betting, was endorsed and county fair officials in the state were asked to abolish all forms of track gambling and every form of betting on races.

Hyattsville.—The Circuit Court for Prince Georges county has decided that William A. Shepherd, town treasurer of Hyattsville, is entitled to a commission of 5 per cent. on $25,000, which he received as treasurer in the settlement of the sale of the Hyattsville water and sewerage system to the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission early this year. Mr. Shepherd's attorneys contended that he was entitled to a commission on all money received and disbursed by him as town treasurer. Vincent A. Sheehy, corporation counsel for Hyattsville, representing the Mayor and Common Council of the town, against whom suit was brought by Mr. Shepherd, took the position that under the town charter Mr. Shepherd was entitled to commissions on the collection of taxes only.

ANNAPOLIS NEWS

To Issue Loan Of $2,500,000.

The State Board of Public Works took the initial steps toward floating early in the new year $2,500,000 worth of state securities.

Two millions of the proposed loans will be for state highway improvement and five hundred thousand will constitute the first offending of the issue authorized by the last legislature for general state improvements of various sorts.

At its meeting the Board of Public Works addressed a communication to State Comptroller Lee requesting him to prepare the necessary resolution for advertising the bonds, and to have prepared the script for the several issues. The bonds will with the exception of $500,000 of road bonds bear date of February 15, 1921. All will bear 4½ per cent. interest.

Chapter 508 of the Acts of 1920 authorized the issue of $3,000,000 worth of road improvement bonds, $1,500,000 of which were to bear date of August 15, 1920, and $1,500,000 of which were to bear date of February 15, 1921. Due to the unstable market conditions when the initial offering of $1,500,000 was made last August, the Board of Public Works itself purchased at par from its sinking funds $1,000,000 and withdrew $500,000. This remaining $500,000 is to be readvertised at the same time the second issue of $1,500,000 is offered. This makes $2,000,000 of Road Improvement bonds at 4½ per cent., which the Board of Public Works now plans to offer.

Chapter 727 of the Acts of 1920 authorized a $1,500,000 loan for state improvements of various sorts. These improvements include additional provision for state care of insane, and some public building repairs and improvements which could not be taken care of by direct levy. The state's share of the Soldiers and Sailors' Memorial is also to come out of the issue.

It was provided in the enabling law that this loan shall be made in three issues of $500,000 each. They will be dated February 15, 1921, August 15, 1921 and February 15, 1922, respectively. It is the first issue of $500,000 of February 15, 1921, which the board now is making plans to advertise.

Lime Experiment Ends.

Secretary of State Philip B. Perlman mailed to State Comptroller E. Brooke Lee a check for $1,218.81, which closes out the state of Maryland's educational experiment in making agricultural lime from oyster shells.

Several years ago the legislature, in response to demands from farmers on the Eastern Shore and in Southern Maryland, made appropriations for the installation of these shell-burning plants. They accomplished their purpose to the degree of educating the farmers in the home burning of lime.

They could not compete, as some farmers had hoped, with the commercial lime plants, and the Secretary of State was authorized by the legislature to dispose of the machinery and other apparatus purchased to start the plant. Mr. Perlman had previously turned over to the Comptroller $825 from the sales, making a net total of $2,043.81, which the state got back from its sales.

Prisoners To Learn Trade.

The State Board of Prison Control has authorized Col. Claude B. Sweezey, director of the Penitentiary, to take steps toward the establishment of a printing plant, a new laundry plant and, probably, a plant for making shoes for the prisoners. This authorization marks the first move in the direction of the "State use" system whereby convicts will be used to make things for State departments.

The plants will be on a small scale. The printing plant will confine most of its activities to teaching prisoners the printer's trade. The laundry is to be a modernized establishment, in which prisoners will be taught the use of modern laundry machinery. This training should help them in securing work when they have been released.

County Tax Rate $1.78.

The Baltimore county tax rate for 1921 will be $1.78 on $100, which was fixed when the county commissioners made the annual tax levy at Towson. There was $656,360 appropriated for schools for the coming year, which will provide for an increase of teachers' salaries. There was $85,895 appropriated for roads and considerable increases are made in the appropriations for all of the county departments. The tax rate for 1920, which was for only eight months, owing to the change of the fiscal year of the county, from May 1 to January 1, was $1.13.

There was a special tax of 10 cents levied for roads at Towson, and in the Twelfth district, which was done on petition of residents of those places.

Easton.—The county commissioners have passed the bill for the Fountain trial in Towson, and have ordered it paid. This is the last expense to Talbot for this criminal, which it is estimated has cost the county over $10,000. The cost of the trial at Towson was $1,815.10.

The Social Message of Jesus

By S. J. DUNCAN-CLARK.
(Chicago Evening Post.)

NEVER did the world need more than now to hear the authoritative voice of Jesus.

If we are to bring order out of chaos, peace out of conflict, brotherhood out of clash of class and group, we must return in humble spirit to the Bethlehem manger, to the Nazareth shop, to the market place, the seashore or the mountainside, where the message of Jesus was spoken to the hearts of men.

Jesus believed in man. It is well to emphasize this fact in an age of cynicism. There was no room for despair in His philosophy. He came into a world where force and fraud and oppression prevailed, and to the hour of His triumphant death He never doubted that love and justice and freedom were possible in human relations.

Jesus believed in man as a potential Son of God. His ideal for society contemplated the emancipation of man from the control of material things. Mammon should not rule; there should be no occasion for anxious thought concerning any need of the body; the spiritual nature of man should be free to realize its highest destiny.

In the program that He worked out as He toiled at the bench He planned that service should be the motive and cooperation the method in human industry. We have substituted self-advantage for service, and mutual exploitation for cooperation. While these rule in motive and method we shall never realize the happiness He desired for us—the happiness we seek.

Jesus set small store by charity. The philanthropy of almsgiving was to Him a mere cloak for the imperfections and inequities of human relations. He put all the emphasis of His teaching and example upon justice and love. In a world where these prevailed charity would be unnecessary.

We have traveled so far from the ideals of Jesus it is not easy to restore them. But there is no other way to find a permanent solution for the troubles that disturb us. His road is the only road. It involves sacrifice. We cannot avoid the cross. But beyond Calvary lies the realization of our hopes.

It is not enough that the spirit of Jesus should be worshiped in our temples or revered in our homes. It is not enough that His sympathy and help should be expressed in our hospitals, our orphanages, our institutions for the poor and the afflicted. To be satisfied with this is to evade the real challenge of His message and to lose the real meaning of His promise.

The spirit of Jesus must be brought into factory and mine and bank and railroad system; into store and office.

It must reveal to us that man is more than the machine with which he works; that material wealth was meant to be the servant, not the master, of the human soul; that the making of a life is the supreme thing, for which the making of a livelihood is merely incidental.

Until we get this vision, we will approach the solution of our problems without true understanding.

It is time that men who believe in Jesus should make their faith count—not merely in religious observance, but in human relations; in civic duty; in business; in industrial management; in the tasks of office and workshop.

The hope of the world rests upon the leadership of Jesus.

A Russian Legend

"WE GO TO WORSHIP THE KING," THEY SAID.

Baboushka stood in her doorway
When the Three Wise Men passed by,
"We go to worship the King," they said,
"We have seen His Star in the sky.

"Wilt thou come with us, Baboushka,
Or ever the Star be set?"
"I will come and seek the new-born King,
But ah, My lords! Not yet!

"I must set my house in order,
And I must spin and sew,"—
The Star had set ere she made an end,
And the winds began to blow.

And evermore Baboushka
Goes seeking through the wild
The Three Wise Men, the shining Star
Her King, the new-born Child.

But on the eve of Christmas,
When there are none to see,
She comes with gifts in either hand,
To deck the Christmas Tree.

She comes where sleeping children
Lie dreaming of the morn,
To see if once again on earth
The Christ-child hath been born.

—Marion L. Adams.

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