THE TRANSCRIPT

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IN the death of John T. Dailey, for many years one of the best newspaper men in this state, the Baltimore Sun has suffered a great loss to their staff and the state of Maryland a valuable citizen. He was a man of a genial and sociable nature and was personally known to the editor of this paper, who deeply regrets his death.

THE general impression seems to prevail that there is a surplus of staple goods in storage and that the question of living commodities are to get much cheaper. There always will be, of course, a fluctuation of small moment in merchandise, as has always been, but the idea of a very much lower price prevailing is not looked for in the channels of trade. Many articles of merchandise are now being sold at a much less price by the retail merchants than what he paid for them some six months or so ago. The longer the purchasing public hold back from buying what they need, that much longer will depressed business conditions continue and in the end they may have to pay more later. Their absence from the market tends to hold up trade, shut down more factories and spread the wave of unemployment throughout the country.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

Congressman T. Allan Goldsborough, of Denton, attended the funeral of R. Groome Parks, Esq., on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Shuster, of Wilmington, have been the guests of Senator and Mrs W. F. Russell this week.

Mr. Mahlon P. Lee, of New Jersey, was in Kent county this week.

Mr. Wm. F. Blyman, of Philadelphia, was the week-end guest of his mother, Mrs. Ida Blyman.

Capt. Carey Jarman, of Baltimore, will be home for the week-end.

Mr. Rolph Townshend, or Morganva, St. Mary's county, was the guest of his parents this week.

Mr. Charles W. Kibler, who has been quite sick for some days past, was removed to Hahnnemann hospital in Philadelphia for treatment on Monday.

Mrs. Isaac H. Dixon gave a dance last Thursday evening at Elkridge for her debutantee daughter, Miss Gertrude Allen Dixon. Before the dance was given a dinner of 40 covers was laid for her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Dixon, of Green Point.

Mr. H. F. Jefferson attended the National retailers dry goods association in New York this week.

Mr. M. A. Toulson has been confined to his home by sickness.

Mrs. W. W. Price, of Owings Mills, visited friends in town on Monday.

Mr. T. S. Bordley is quite sick at his home on Spring Ave.

Miss Julia Price, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Price, Jr., of Centreville, spent Sunday the guest of Judge and Mrs. L. W. Wickes.

Mrs. A. Frank Lewis, of Baltimore, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. T. B. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Skirven are receiving congratulations on the birth of a fine daughter.

Mr. Robert Ayres was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on Wednesday evening last by the Chestertown Lodge of Masons.

Mr. W. H. Glenn, of Broad Neck, has rented the Blyman house and store on High street. He purchased some stock from Mr. James Cooper.

Mr. A. S. Turner, Jr., is in New Mexico on official business. A letter from the department in Washington to his father last week stated that Sidney was making good and had been entrusted with a very important matter for investigation.

Mr. John H. Collins is the guest of his parents in Chestertown.

Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Satterfield have been attending the National Implement Dealers Association Convention in Philadelphia.

Mr. J. Leeds Barroll is spending the winter at Belleview, Bellair Heights, Florida.

Mr. George S. Diehl and Richard Diehl spent a few days this week in Kent County.

Mr. Jesse H. Usilton spent a few days this week with his son, Ralph, at his new home on Worton Point.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Robert Huey are entertaining a house party over the week-end in honor of their sister, Miss Pauline Huey, of Federalsburg.

Big Dramatic Festival Coming to Walnut Theatre, Phila., Monday, Feb. 21

America's leading player—Guy Bates Post—and the most celebrated play of the decade—"The Masquerader"—comprise a combination never before equalled in theatricals, is coming to this section. This much talked about season's best offering—with the original cast and production, revolving stages, triple electrical equipment, thematic music and nine ponderous, pulsating scenes, is commented on by the leading critic of Boston to the extent of two columns. Among other eulogistic comments he says, "Guy Bates Post kept a capacity audience thrilling in response to the clever unfolding of the story of the substitution of John Loder for his cousin, the dissolute John Chilcote, at a time when England stood sorely in need of the brilliant statesman who had become a hopeless drug-addict. The dual role of Mr. Post presents the best character study ever seen on a Boston stage. Where Mansfield, in his transition of Jekyll and Hyde, used various accessories to complete the illusion, Mr. Post relies entirely upon his play of facial expression, manner, bearing and intonation.

"His contrasts between the fine controlled Loder and the brilliant weakling Chilcote, were wonderful examples of detailed study of the two men. Nothing is lacking. Even Chilcote's inability to control the muscles of his face, the indeterminate relaxed mouth, the wavering hands, all were indications of the breaking down through the use of morphia of what had been a most brilliant mind. The sudden transitions from one personality to the other must be severely taxing, for Mr. Post is scarcely absent from the stage throughout the entire play. He is our most remarkable actor. Nothing better in stage effects has been seen in Boston, and the trice with which the ponderous scenes were transposed bespeaks much for the manner of modern stage-craft as manipulated by the master, Richard Walton Tully."

Bus Line Seems Certain—The inauguration of the Eastern Shore Transit Line seems assured. The plans of the promoters, just made public, call for a network of bus lines to cover the Eastern Shore from Elkton at the upper end of the Shore to Salisbury, which will be the lower terminus. The state road will be followed, the bus lines passing through Chestertown and other towns on the state road in Kent.

A Letter of Explanation

January 17th, 1921.
Public Service Commission of Md.
Calvert and Fayette Sts.,
Baltimore.

Gentlemen:

We beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of December 24th, with enclosed copy of protest of A. S. Turner & Sons and one hundred and forty-three others to which we desire to make reply as follows:

Our first lighting rate on a meter basis went into effect on July 1st, 1918. As nearly as it was possible to do so this rate was made the same as the flat rates which had been into effect for the previous ten or fifteen year. The cost of service to some customers was increased because they made more than the average use of their service, while the bills of other customers were decreased because they used less than the average, but the change in rate had practically no effect on the annual revenue of the company.

The first increase in rates was put into effect on July 1st, 1920, after the company had undergone five years of practically continuous increases in costs.

The present rate, which went into effect January 1, 1921, has increased the rates in effect in 1914 by approximately 50 per cent.

A comparison of operating costs for the years 1914 and 1919 shows the following figures:

The cost per ton of coal in 1919 was approximately 80 per cent above the cost in 1914.

The cost of wages in 1919 was approximately 90 per cent above the cost in 1914.

The total power house cost in 1919 was approximately 100 per cent above the cost in 1914.

The total cost, including interest, taxes, etc., in 1919 was approximately 87 per cent above the cost in 1914.

While the company regrets the necessity for the increase in rates, it is self-evident from the figures set forth above that the increase is absolutely necessary and is caused by advances in the price of commodities over which the company has no control. For the purpose of comparison it might be desirable to direct the attention of our customers to the prices of wheat, corn, shoes, clothing and other commodities with which they are familiar, as compared to the prices before the war. The coal we were compelled to buy at excessive prices in the late summer and early fall of 1920, in order to insure our winter supply, added over $3000.00 to the fuel expense, which we had expected when our rate of July 1st, 1920, was put in force.

The present freight rate on coal is about $3.50 per ton and the hauling charge is about 50c per ton. These two items alone amount to more than the total cost of coal delivered in our bins in 1914.

The protest makes the statement that coal has been "reduced $4.00 to $5.00 per ton," but we would call your attention to the fact that since our rate of July 1st, 1920, was put into effect coal advanced a maximum of more than $6.00 per ton and that this advance has already cost the company over $3000.00.

A large part of our customers seem to overlook the fact that the company serves a small community and, therefore, does a comparatively small business, which means that unit costs are high as compared with larger places. This is for the reason that the amount of labor, which it is necessary to employ, could handle several times the business which is available and it, therefore, follows that an increased business could be done at a smaller unit cost. For example, the town water supply could be pumped at a price which would show a saving to the town and at the same time probably enable the company to show a smaller unit cost of operation. This, in turn, should tend to reduce the rates.

The company has always regretted that its customers did not see fit to participate to a larger extent in its financial ownership. An investment of approximately $200.00 by each customer would place the entire company in the hands of its customers, who would, then, by means of the returns on their investment, be assured that they were obtaining their service at actual cost. The company has paid its bond interest for more than twenty years and since electric service is a necessary part of the life of the community, the safety of such an investment is apparent. Such participation would definitely settle the question of rates.

Yours very truly,
DYndspndrRnshnmv&essary
THE CHESTERTOWN ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER COMPANY.

NOTE—I find that our Mr. Tracy is in error as to the present freight rate, which is now and was at the time this coal came in $4.14, including the war tax. This statement may be verified by Mr. A. E. Culver, agent for the Penn' R. R. at Chestertown.

(Advertisement)

Anderson's Bazaar

Holds Auction Sale at Cecilton, Md.,
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1921
at 11.30 a. m., rain or shine

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LOT ARMY GOODS

HORSES AND MULES

25 Head of Horses and Mules, from Surrounding Country, a Horse to suit any purpose.

COWS AND HEIFERS

25 Head of Good Cattle, among them some Good Fresh Cows, 25 Head Cattle all descriptions.

HOGS, SHOATS AND PIGS

Lot of Fancy Shoats. Bring in all the hogs and pigs you have. I can sell all the hogs and shoats I can get, at all they are worth.

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SPECIAL! SPECIAL!

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SATURDAY EVE., FEB. 12, 1921
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CONSISTING OF HORSE AND BED BLANKETS, COATS AND PANTS
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Large Lot of Groceries and Brooms.

COME EARLY. PLENTY TO SELL.

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Notice of Fitness Tests

The State Employment Commission will hold fitness tests at Annapolis, Baltimore, Cumberland, Frederick and Salisbury, Saturday, February 19, 1921, to establish lists of persons eligible for appointment in the following classes of position in the State service. The usual annual starting salaries are as indicated:

Junior Stenographer..$660—$1080
Senior Stenographer..$900—$1500
Junior Typist.....$600—$1000
Senior Typist.....$900—$1320
Junior Account Clerk..$900—$1200
Seed Tester.....$720

Fitness Tests will be held at Baltimore, February 19; at Annapolis, February 21; at Frederick February 24; and at Salisbury February 26, for

Farm hand—$420 to $720 and usually house, fuel and vegetables.
Hospital Attendant—$360—$540 & meals, lodging, laundry and uniform.
Non-assembled fitness tests are scheduled for Assistant Physician (Tuberculosis), $1140 to $1500 and meals, lodging, laundry and uniform.
Assistant State Forester—$1800

Application blanks and further information about any position can be obtained by addressing the State Employment Commissioner, 22 Light St., Baltimore, Md., Telephone Calvert 2203.

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$2.25 Ames' Shovel or Spade .. $1.80
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Saturday, Feb. 12—Samuel Goldwyn and Rex Beach present Rupert Hughes in "Scratch My Back"; also universal comedy.

Wednesday, Feb. 16—Will Rogers in "A Strange Boarder"; also Star comedy.

Saturday, Feb. 19—"Out of the Storm," by eminent authors; also universal comedy.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Kent County letters ancillary on the personal estate of

ELLA M. COPPERFIELD,

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned on or before the 12th day of August, 1921, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 4th day of February, 1921.

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$1.50 goods now.....$ .87
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1.50 " now ..... .68

Men's and Boys' Reduced from
$8.00 to $5.65 7.00 to 4 65 6.00 to 4.10
ALL SHOES REDUCED ACCORDINGLY.

Men's Belts $5.50 now..... $4.15
" " 4 50 now 3.45
" " 4.00 now..... 3.10

Horse Blankets, Stable Blankets all cut nearly half. Come look stock over and you will not leave without buying.

WEDNESDAY'S SPECIALS FOR 30 DAYS

8 boxes Yeast Powder.....25c
15c Corn Starch.....8½c
10c Corn Starch..... 5c
15c Cocoa..... 9c
6 bars good Washing Soap....25c
1 lb Loose Coffee 14½c
Arbuckle's Coffee.....23½c
Best 45c Candy 29c
25c can Tomatoes.....14½c
15c can Tomatoes.....10c

Best English Walnuts, Butternuts, Almonds, 2 lbs for 25c.
Corn Field Beans 8c quart, 4 quarts 25c.
Best American Sugar, 7½c; Rolled Oats 10c, 3 for 25c.

Come early, get your goods, pay cash and go home pleased.

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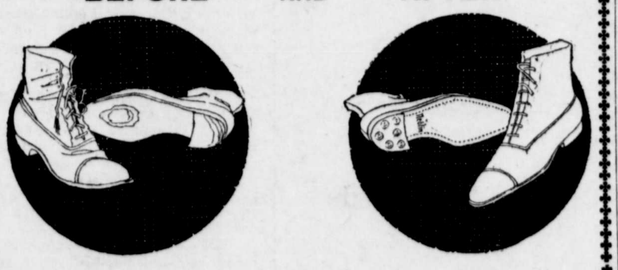

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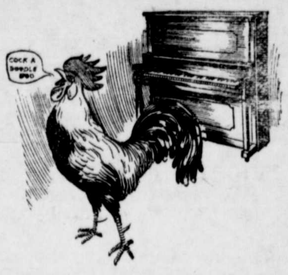

—AND—
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Beginning with February 15th, for Two Weeks Only, we are offering 20 per ct. off on New Pianos and Player Pianos, and 25 per ct. off on New Sewing Machines.

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