THE INHERITANCE

New York Times

Our heritage of splendid tales of old,
(Those fine memorials to men who told
The glories and the pains or many lands.)
And see them stirred, as we were, by the tales
Of high adventure under ancient sails;
Of heroes of the joust; of shattering raid
On castle strong to save a captive maid;
Of hardy men who coped with dire disasters
Among the Indians and their Spanish masters.

Swift tales of search for pirates' glittering hoard
Recaptured through fierce dangers; long endured
Oppression, lifted by a valiant knight
Who fought for lovely lady and the right;
Or of the one who, loyal to a dream,
Laid down his life on France's guillotine.

These things men wrote, and thus enriched the world,
For, with each tale which genius unfuried,
They taught us of hard duties nobly done,
Of honor high enthroned, of victory won
By courage and endurance, of brave parts
Played by strong men with gay and tolerant hearts.

Thus to the child we pass this heritage,
Knowing that as, absorbed, he reads each page
Which to his love of high emprise appeals,
He builds his dreams and fashions his ideals.

SOMETHING ABOUT "ROLLS"

A journal devoted to the betterment of live stock has broached the momontous question "Does a mule get as much enjoyment out of his evening roll as a city man derives from his breakfest roll?" Owning to the reticence of the mule to discuss personal habits, this will probably remain one of the great unsolved questions of the age. However, if the mule gets no more of a thrill from his evening frolic than the average city man does from his morning nose bag, it is certainly a case of nature faking if he should give the slightest evidence of any pleasure at all. Thousands of wives will testify that if the mule expresses no more satisfaction over his daily dozen at the close of the day than husbands do over their morning's bakery product, a large sized vocabulary will not be needed to answer the purpose. It was recently alleged that science had discovered that fresh bread contains a much airger percent of alcohol than Mr. Volstead deems good for the stomach, and this knowledge may add zest to the leavened dyspepsia producer not heretofore experienced. Even with this high percentage of the forbidden stimulant in the morning meal, it does not provide the same "kick" enjoyed by the mule in closing up the affairs of the day. When it comes right down to the roll that gives universal satisfaction the roll-tops lead the league.

The roll which is pre-eminent in the hog lot is that composed of fat. One never hears of the matrons or flappers in the swine world going on a diet, or the masculine members golfing to prevent getting too fleshy. A hog was recently butchered in Maryland that tipped the scales at 1,350 pounds. It might be that this animal was stunted in some manner early in life, or it probably would have made quite a good sized hog. The carcass produced 11 fifty pound cans of lard. While on this subject it must be understood that the cash customer will only get about nine pounds of lard this winter for every ten he pays for. This is due to the fact that about 10% of the hogs in the United States this year have gone to the nappy rooting grounds via the hog cholera route. Maryland lost about 3,600 hogs during the months of October and November from this disease. But stop! Was the hog cholera "bug" really to blame? Over 95% of these losses were directly or indirectly due to infected pork which was fed the hogs fn garbage, table scraps, kitchen swill, etc. Therefore, over 3,300 of these hogs could have been saved by the simple process of keeping this infected material out of the hog's feed. Maybe it was all worth while, though, if the lesson is heeded.

TO SURVEY SHORE WATERS

Extensive surveys of Chesapeake Bay and probably some of the more important tributaries indenting Kent County, are planned for next year by the Coast and Geodetic Survey, according to announcement this week by Director E. Lester Jones.

It is practically certain that the surveys will extend the full length of Chester River and probably will embrace Eastern Bay and Wye River.

Scattered observations have been made during a number of years in the past, Director Jones explained, but these surveys should be tied together with simultaneous observaltons over the main area. In the tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay, he added, practically no work has been done.

EASTERN SHORE TRADE

BALTIMORE PEOPLE SEEM UNABLE TO REALIZE ITS IMPORTANCE

It seems Baltimore will never awaken to the value of the Eastern Shore's trade. For 20 years, it has been making feeble and sporadic efforts to win back the valuable commerical, industrial and financial interests which this section of Maryland once held in the Monumental City, but its efforts have been futile because not properly managed or backed. And it is not only the trade of the Eastern Shore that Baltimore should be after now. It ought to be keen about corralling the trade or practically all of the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula.

If the 14 counties of Delaware and the Eastern Shores of Maryland and Virginia are ever formed into one state, it will be Baltimore's fault. The lethargy and indifference which have governed the policy of the metropolis toward these nine counties of Maryland will have to be replaced with eager, active canvassing and service or Baltimore will mark up a loss where Wilmington and Philadelphia, and even New York, are storing away gains.

Baltimore should realize that it is to the benefit, interest and aggrandizement of the Pennsylvania Railroad for that mighty political, industrial and financial machine to swing the trade of Del-Mar-Va away from Baltimore and into its more far-reaching trade territory to the northward. Until Baltimore comprehends the secret policy of the Pennsy, and gives it open battle it cannot expect to win back the trade of the Eastern Shore. Until the influence of the Pennsylvania is successfully combatted, the Maryland metropolis will continue to play second fiddle to Wilmington, Philadelphia and New York in the trade orchestra of the Eastern Shore.

Baltimore should be willing to spend many thousands to help upbuild its bailiwick across the bay.

MINSTRLES

Minstrels were an order of men in the Middle Ages who subsisted by the arts of poetry and music, and sang to the harp verses composed by themselves and others.

They wandered from castle to castle, and, in exchange for their entertainment, often were presented with gifts of great value.

Those called 'mummers' were a type of minstrel who dressed themselves in various highly colored garments, and often masqueraded at Christmas time.

The troubadours of France, particularly in Provence, were men of honor and often wealth. They celebrated remarkable events, heroic acts and carried news often scandal from castle to castle. The word "troubadour" originally meant "inventor."

The minstrels mummers, and troubadours of those days all dressed after the fashion shown by the figures on the Christmas Seal for 1926.

Everywhere in Europe, they took the place both of the theatre and library, and invariably made no charge for their services, but were given pay at the pleasure of their hosts, in such measure as they deemed them worthy.

So it is in keeping with the spirit of the Christmas Seal, that its three troubadours should bring a message of health and happiness into the homes of twentieth century Americans, and ask no fee at all except that willingly given by those who receive them, according as the song they sing may relax the strings of heart and purse.

These little messengers of hope and happiness are now on sale in every section of the State. The Seal Sale Chairman for this county is Mrs. Walter Morris, Chestertown, Md.

NOVEMBER WEATHER ERATIC

November served up a variety of weather in Kent, from summer temperature to biting frosts and bleak, cold weather of winter. Sunshine and rain, fog, frost, snow flurries, and freezing weather characterized the month.

The highest temperature reached in the thirty days was on the 14th and 15th, when the mercury reached 76. The lowest was on the 12th when the thermometer dropped to 20.

Rain fell on eight days. The heaviest rain fall was registered on the 16th with 1.30 inch and on the 26th, when 1.56 inch fell. Much wind accompanied the storm on the 16th and considerable damage reported along the water front. On the 15th the mercury dropped from 76 to 40, giving the difference of 36 degrees. This was the greatest of any one day in the month.

On the 26th the heavy rainstorm was accompanied by thunder and lightning and the following morning the grass was green and showed the effects of the warm rain. The lightning was sharp at times and the thunder pealed forth like mid-summer.

Throughout the month heavy frosts were noticed by the early risers, some of them covering the ground with a white blanket of more than ordinary whiteness.

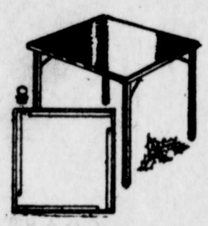
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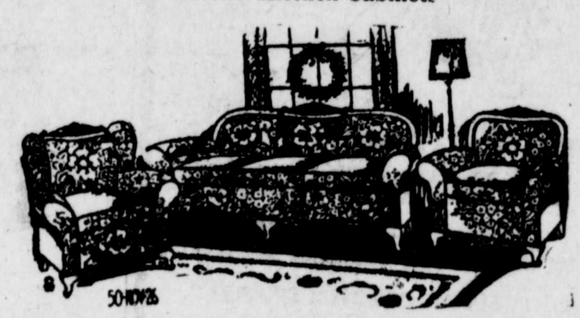

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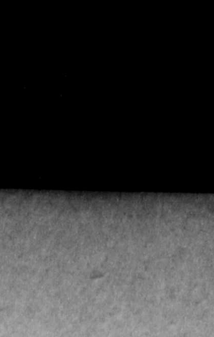
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