

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard Connelly, of Baltimore, were visitors here on Sunday last. Miss Clara Andrews entertained a few friends at her home on Wednesday evening. Mrs. Peckford, of Hagerstown, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Thomas McCaffrey.

REISTERSTOWN.

Mr. William Alexander Eckhardt, 52 years of age, a well known engineer on the Western Maryland Railroad, formerly of Reisterstown, died on Sunday morning at his home, 1323 North Montford avenue. Mr. Eckhardt is survived by a widow, Mrs. Emma C. Eckhardt and one daughter. He is also survived by his mother, Mrs. Mary S. Eckhardt, and three sisters, Mrs. Minnie Schmidt, Mrs. Carrie Chubb and Miss Mollie Eckhardt, of New York, also two brothers, Mr. Harry C. Eckhardt and Mr. Charles F. Eckhardt, of Glynndon. Mr. Eckhardt was a member of the Masonic Order, Junior Order and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Funeral services were under the direction of the Masonic Order. The burial was in Baltimore Cemetery on Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 P. M.

FULLERTON.

On Wednesday, as the Belair Bus was rounding the horseshoe curve at Gunpowder Falls, Harford road, it skidded and one daughter, Miss Wall. Had it gone two feet more it would have dropped into the Falls. A great many automobiles were injured and cut the glass. This spot is dangerous, a veritable trap and should be safeguarded by heavy guardrails or a high concrete wall. The New Year was ushered in by the ringing of church bells at St. Joseph's, Ferry Hill and Perry Hill. The boulevard was crowded with autos and motorcycles, the latter raising a hell-belo noise and shooting automatic pistols. A great many turkey shooting matches were held and the guns were discharged in every direction all the afternoon. In the city the day was conspicuous by the absence of drunks, everybody was going along straight as an arrow and attending their own business. Mr. Gambrell, the census enumerator, is working this section of the county. Believe me, he is the right man on the job. Well qualified, and allowing no stone unturned to get a full return on the volume of questions, but it is as easy as rolling off a log to him. On Monday the great guns that were popped off at Aberdeen shook the windows as far down as Overlea. One new bus of the People's Transportation Club was put on the road on Thursday and seemed to be doing a good business. It is running in opposition to the McMahon Transportation Company. A large, handsome block house garage is being built between Overlea and Gatch's Quarry. It is said it will house the McMahon buses. Travel was extremely heavy during the holidays.

BECKLEYVILLE.

Miss Matrona Henry has returned to her home after spending a week with friends and relatives in Baltimore. Sunday school here on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. The Beckleyville Band will hold an oyster supper in the near future. Mrs. Laura Henry, Mrs. George Perego and daughter, Edith, spent one day last week in Hampstead. Miss Goldie Hays, who has been employed in Baltimore, is visiting her home here. Lots of people around here are filling their icehouses with very thick ice. Miss Catherine Boerner spent several days last week in Baltimore.

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MEETING TUESDAY

(Continued from Page 1.) Commissioners from three to seven, and limiting their term to two years, and that upon the election of the seven Commissioners "the terms of the present County Commissioners of Anne Arundel county shall cease and determine as fully as if when elected they had only been elected to serve until that time." The seven Commissioners so elected called on the three Commissioners, whose terms had not expired, to retire, and upon their refusal, applied to the court for a writ of mandamus to compel them to do so. After a hearing the lower court (Judge Revell) granted the writ, thus ousting the

old board, and they immediately took an appeal to the Court of Appeals. The case was argued on appeal before the full bench in the early part of 1920, but no decision was arrived at, owing to the fact that four of the appellate judges were in favor of affirming the decision of the lower court and four were in favor of reversing it. The result was that the decision of the lower court stood, but in view of the even split in the Court of Appeals this case is now regarded as a very unsatisfactory precedent, and certain members of the Taxpayers' League are very dubious about the power of the Legislature to curtail the terms of the present Board of Commissioners.

The question of good roads, and a new road law for the county, are expected to come up for discussion, and it is understood that the League will favor the passage of a law taking from the Governor the duty of appointing the County Roads Engineer and requiring the County Commissioners, who are more directly responsible to the people, to make the appointment.

LEADERS AT ODDS.

(Continued from Page 1.) record in the Sixty-sixth Congress. The public is aware of their camouflage. Senator Underwood, of Alabama, is one of the most carefully accurate men in Congress. Republicans as well as Democrats respect his ability and envy him his fund of valuable information, and his poise. They listen when he talks. Therefore, when Mr. Underwood charged on the floor of the Senate that the Republicans killed the appropriation bills with a filibuster dur-

ing the closing days of the Sixty-fifth Congress (which was Democratic) and that they had done nothing since, Senators Lodge and Lenroot tried to defend their record. "I want to repeat not as an argument, not as a lecture, but as a fact," declared Senator Underwood, "that the Republican party in this Congress has not passed any important demoralizing legislation. The bill which took over the telegraph lines and placed them under the control of the Government itself provided that they should be returned as soon as the war was over. There was no contest about their return."

This was said in answer to Senator Lenroot, when he undertook to claim credit for the return of the wires to private owners. "If there had been any contest over their return the bill passed by this Congress would probably still be pending," added Mr. Underwood. "The amendment to the food control act was in like category."

The Republican leaders know that they have been fooling the people and that is a sore spot now as the election approaches. "There was certainly time, from May to July in the Senate when nothing stood in the way of constructive legislation," said Mr. Underwood. "Mr. Underwood charged that the deliberate filibuster last March killed all of the pending appropriation bills." Senators Lenroot, Lodge and Wadsworth, fearing the effect of such an arraignment as Mr. Underwood was giving them, winced and squirmed in their efforts to stop the flow of language, but failed. That debate in the Senate, December 11, makes a brilliant

page in the Congressional Record for the Democrats. Senator Lodge, the Republican leader of the Senate, in the absence of Boss Penrose, seems to be alarmed lest the country may conclude that he and his associates are responsible for the butchery of the German peace treaty. It was his purpose for months to kill the treaty, but to do it in such a way that the people would get the impression that the Democrats did it. But the people are wiser than the aristocratic scholar-politician of Massachusetts gives them credit for being. The old game of pulling the wool over the eyes of the public is not as easy as it used to be. Papers circulate too far and too frequently for that sort of thing to succeed now.

Senator Lenroot, one-time Progressive Republican of Wisconsin, but now hand-in-glove with the Old Guard, was used by Mr. Lodge to pull some of his burning chestnuts out of the Senate fire. He was the author of one of the death-dealing reservations to the peace treaty. Therefore, it was not a surprise to see him trying to create the impression that the Democrats destroyed the treaty. But Mr. Lenroot did not succeed in that attempt. He was blocked by Senator Underwood, of Alabama.

"I wish to say in regard to the peace treaty that the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. Lenroot) is trying to put the blame of the failure on this (the Democratic) side of the Chamber," said Mr. Underwood. "He cannot do that; he never will be able to do that; the country is never going to recognize that argument. If you want to get rid of the responsibility for failing to ratify

that treaty of peace, which is lying on the Vice-President's table, you have the majority, and the majority can take it up. If you want to pass it, take it up and keep on trying until you get the two-thirds necessary to ratify."

Senator Lodge denied that the treaty was before the Senate, and explained that the President could withdraw it and resubmit it. "If the treaty is dead," declared Mr. Underwood, "the Senate can notify the President to that effect. But the Senator from Massachusetts cannot get a majority to reach the conclusion that it is dead. If the treaty is rejected by the Senate, it is up to the majority to tell the President of that fact. The President has not been notified. This has not been done because I think the Senator from Massachusetts doubts his ability to command a majority in this body to give that notification to the President."

"It would be idle for the President to withdraw the treaty and send it back here when the Senate has indicated that it does not propose to act on it." It has been made clear that the Pres-

ident is not going to help the Republicans escape the responsibility for the treaty. The Old Guard is laying the pipes for the National Republican convention. "Progressive" Republicans look on with keen interest, and some indignation, but they will acquiesce. Everything is set for a cut-and-dried program. The Hays-Penrose-Lodge combination will dominate. Mr. Lodge, one-time friend of Col. Theodore Roosevelt, the "Bull Moose," is saying "me too" to all the suggestions of Messrs. Penrose and Hays, the real dictators for the G. O. P.

Much to the surprise of some of his colleagues in the Senate, Mr. Lodge issued a statement approving the plan of the National Republican committee for a mixed body to draw up a platform before the nominating convention meets in June. "I was very much interested in the plan of the National Committee to have a committee appointed consisting of twelve members of the National Committee and forty or fifty outsiders, who represent different interests in the country, to consider questions to be

dealt with in the resolutions adopted at Chicago," said Mr. Lodge. "I think in this way a great deal better results can be obtained." The purpose of the committee leaders and Senator Lodge, coupled with the movement to prevent the selection of a candidate until the convention has time to look the field over, bodes no good for the people. With a select committee to frame a platform—to cut and dry it in advance—and a field full of aspirants, with no one in the lead, is an ideal preparation for the Hays-Penrose-Lodge coterie.

It becomes more evident daily to members of Congress that Chairman Hays, Boss Penrose, and "Me Too" Lodge will dictate the action of the next Republican convention. Democratic leaders are looking on in amazement at the boldness of the G. O. P. artists.

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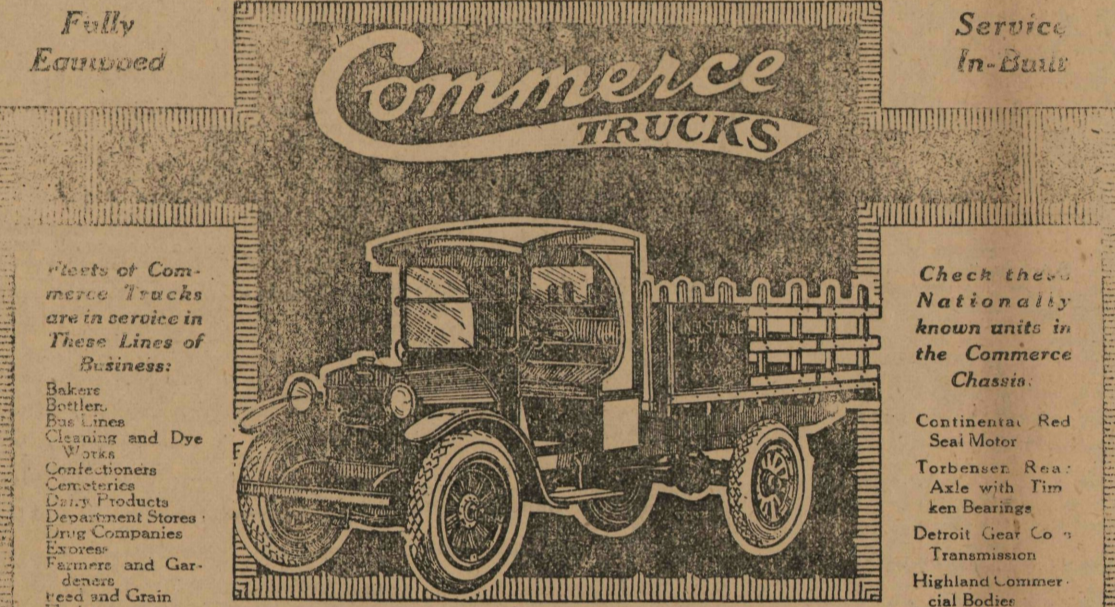
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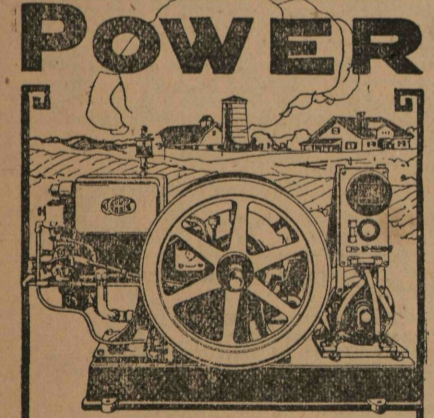
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