MRS. IDA BOUCHER, COUNTY WOMAN, TALKS TO "FRIENDS" ON PACIFIC COAST OVER HER RADIO

Only Maryland Woman To Hold First-Class Commercial Radio License—Became Interested In "Wave Messages" Six Years Ago—Has Best Transmitter And Receiver

It's an easy matter for Mrs. Ida Boucher to talk with "friends" on the Pacific Coast, even though she stays at her home on Coleraine road, Merridale. She accomplishes it by radio and the "friends" are radio friends, whom Mrs. Boucher has never seen but met "through the air."

Mrs. Boucher, it is said, is the only Maryland woman who has held a first-class commercial radio license. She obtained the license in 1920, but allowed it to expire last winter. She still holds amateur licenses allowing her to send individual messages.

The distinction of having broadcast the first musical program in Maryland is claimed by Mrs. Boucher. Five years ago, before radio became generally popular, she broadcast pronograph music that was received by her husband, Emile Boucher, on board a Chesapeake Bay excursion steamer.

From her home in Merridale Mrs. Boucher frequently talks with "radio friends" in Seattle, Wash.; Cataline Island, Cal., and Panama, she said. Becoming known to each other through the radio, friendships have sprung up until the long-range conversations are now frequent.

Mrs. Boucher and her husband became interested in radio six years ago, she said, and attended classes of instruction held at the Young Men's Christian Association building. Radio Experts declare that Mrs. Boucher now owns one of the best private transmitting and receiving sets in this State.

MRS. BONSAL DENIES MISCONDUCT CHARGE.

Denying her husband's charge of misconduct, Mrs. Margaret T. Bonsal, socially prominent, now a patient at the Sheppard-Pratt Hospital, South Towson, filed an answer in Circuit Court to the divorce suit instituted by J. Purviance Bonsal, president of the Maryland Motor Car Insurance Company.

At the same time, through her attorney, Albert S. J. Owens, she requested the court to grant her alimony and counsel fees pending the outcome of the suit. The Court ordered Mr. Bonsal to pay his wife $200 weekly and $300 for counsel, pendente.

Mrs. Bonsal said she "indignantly denied any misconduct with one Edward Scales. She demanded that her husband produce full and particular proof of her alleged wrong doing. She charged her husband absented himself from their home some time prior to February 14. She asked that the petition of her husband for an absolute divorce be dismissed.

The answer automatically forces a hearing of the case in open court.

WOMEN'S ANKLES THICKER, SKIRTS WILL BE LONGER.

Skirts are getting longer because the ankles of women are getting thicker.

Silk and brocade are being used by milady to cover the increasing plumpness.

That's the brutal truth about the new trend in women's fashions, as revealed confidentially by the creators of these fashions.

The reason given for this development is that women habitually wear shoes that are too small for them. In trying to make their feet appear smaller they hinder the proper activity of the ankle muscles, increasing their thickness. The natural position of the foot in shoes with high heels further promotes this tendency.

As a corrective, the fashion experts recommend big shoes with low heels. The foot would appear somewhat larger, but the ankle muscles, increasing again, which would provide a good reason for shortening the skirts once more.

CONTEMPLATES TRIP TO FLORIDA.

Miss Eleanor Bond, of Mt. Vista, contemplates a trip to Florida in the very near future.

REPORTED SALE IN "UPPER END."

Rumor has it that Mr. William Brooks has purchased the farm of Mr. Thomas Hale, near Parkton.

ALBERT C. RITCHIE, GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND, APPEARS IN ONE OF LEADING MAGAZINES.

"World's Work" For March Features Article Under Title "Back To State's Rights," AAnd Gives Executive Of This Commonwealth Credit For Being Champion.

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tions are resting entirely with the several States for support, the Governor expresses his views in these words:

"How much better it would be if the Federal Government, instead of collecting these vast sums from the people of the States, and then paying back part of them for the local purposes of the States, with the right of Federal control—how much better it would be if the Federal Government kept its hands entirely off all this money, so that the people of the States might have it and expend it themselves for their own roads and schools and health and agriculture, free from any Federal supervision and control whatever.

"Who knows, for instance, to what length the Federal Government might sometime go if some of the proposals for Federal Aid to education should be adopted? Education is a local function. It should not be centralized. It is inherently the State's right to see to the education of its own boys and girls, uncontrolled and untrammeled by outside influences.

"Just as it is the State's duty to provide a competent public school system for its children of all creeds and denominations, so when recognized creeds or denominations maintain competent schools of their own, such, for example, as the parochial schools, it is the State's duty not only to leave them alone, but to protect them too, so that freedom of religion and freedom of education may be inviolately maintained."

The conclusion of this article, which will receive a wide hearing, not only by reason of the position of the writer, but also because of the prominence of the magazine in which it appears, sums up the foregoing arguments and gives the present emphasis on the doctrine of "States' Rights:"

"Why continue this financial drain upon the people for purposes which they can perform better themselves—purposes which the Constitution of the country contemplates they are to perform themselves?

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"That principle calls for an end to centralization. It is not the call of class or of party or of creed. It is the call at last of principle. It is the call of sound government. It is the call of the people of this country, from city and hamlet and farm, to be allowed t olead their lives in freedom and in liberty, and do not hurt their neighbors or injure society.,It is the call to resist unwarranted incroachment of every kind by the Federal Government upon the sovereign rights of the States and guaranteed liberties of their people, and to demand that eevery qustion which concerns the people of a sovereign State alone shall be decided as those people will."

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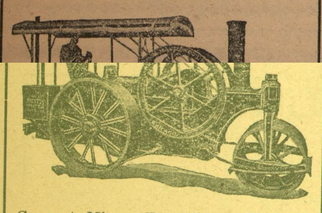

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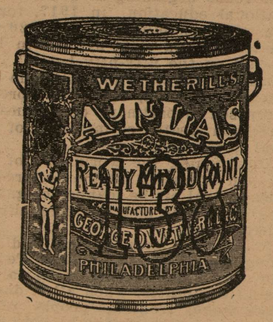

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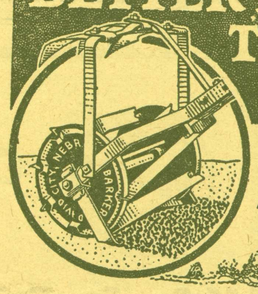

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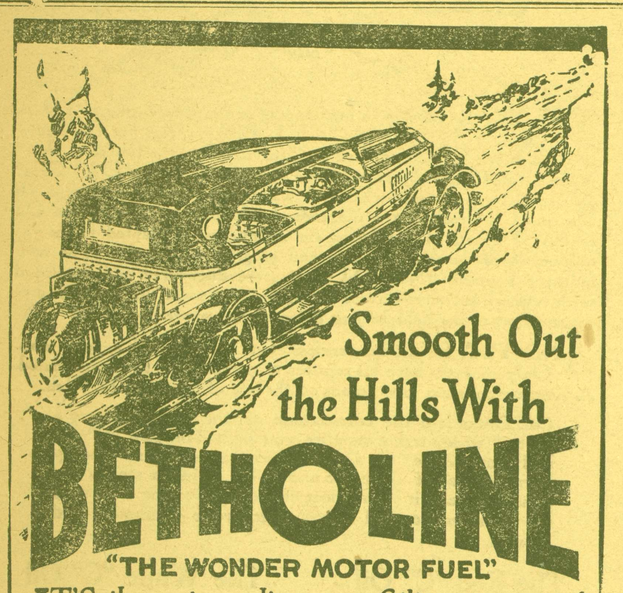

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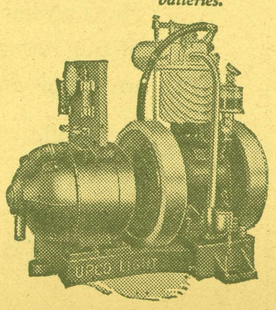

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