GOSSIP OF THE HOTEL LOBBIES

STORIES OF HUMAN INTEREST FROM EVERYWHERE.

Over $400,000 Spent for Good Roads in Carroll County Since Coming of the Automobile—W. E. Beveridge Already Out With Praise for Bryan's Conservatism—Holland's Woman's Labor Exchange.

"Over $400,000 has been expended during the past 10 years for the improvement of roads in Carroll county," said Frank B. Beasman, of that section, yesterday at the Hotel Rennert. "The automobile is responsible. In 1907 there were only 10 automobiles owned in Carroll county. Today there are over 800. Property has increased from 30 to 50 per cent. in value throughout the county.

"Ten years ago there were no good roads in Carroll county. Today there are over 30 miles of excellent highways, and there are a number of other roads that will soon be placed in shape—all because of the advent of the automobile. Every man that can afford it now has a motor car, and if he wants to use it there must be good roads.

"The same conditions exist in many other sections of the United States. In nearly every state in the Union good roads conventions are being held. The West especially has been affected. It will not be many years before Maryland will have as good roads as any section of the country."

Bryan Conservative Thus Far.

"William Jennings Bryan has been a disappointment to a great many persons in this country, and especially since he was made Secretary of State, for they thought that he would do something to ruin the financial interests of this country," said W. E. Beveridge at the Hotel Belvedere yesterday. Mr. Beveridge lives in Baltimore, but he has just returned from a visit to Washington.

"I have known Mr. Bryan for many years," continued Mr. Beveridge, "and when the Democrats all over the state were condemning him for his views upon money I predicted that if ever he got in office he would be one of the safest and most conservative men in this country. Since Mr. Bryan has become Secretary of State he has proceeded very cautiously in all matters relating to the State Department. Those who had a great deal to say about him before Mr. Wilson became president now have no comments to make. That is, they don't know what to say, for Mr. Bryan has proved one of the safest and sanest men in the cabinet."

Labor Bureau for Women.

"There is a great increase in the number of women in all parts of the world who are entering trade occupations," said Charles O'Neill, of New York, at the Hotel Emerson yesterday. "Holland was one of the first countries in the world to establish a woman's labor exchange. The exchange was started in 1909 and now it has a director with nine assistants."

"The bureau is divided into different departments, such as shoemakers, servants, extra helpers and various other occupations. Recently a department has been organized for office personnel—stenographers, typewriters, clerks, etc. To give an idea of the extensiveness of the operations of this bureau and its growing popularity, 1,192 girls found employment through its mediation in the month of January, 1912, while 1,755 were so placed in the same month this year. Last year a total of 18,231 women found employment through this bureau. No fee is charged for service rendered by the bureau in this connection, while advice and assistance to working women in general is freely given at all times."

Our Fruits and Vegetables Abroad.

"American fruits and vegetables and other products of the soil are gradually finding their way to all parts of the world," said a well-known fruit shipper from New York at the New Howard yesterday. "It is not an uncommon thing now to see a sign, 'American fresh-roasted peanuts,' in many European cities. American melons are finding a good market in Germany, according to reports made by the United States government.

"Five years ago the banana was scarcely known in Germany and seldom seen in fruit stores. Today it has become an article of food, and is as plentiful in any German city of importance as in the cities of the United States. It is also sold quite as cheaply. This is a result of the business acumen of an English firm said to be affiliated with the American United Fruit Company. It has a line of 17 steamers of 4,000 to 5,500 tonnage, which ply between Costa Rica, Jamaica and Central American ports taking on bananas and delivering them at London and Hull; 100,000 bunches are received weekly, and from these markets are distributed throughout France, Germany and Sweden. The bananas are packed in half vans that can be hoisted aboard ship or unloaded and shipped on freight cars and do not need to be disturbed until unpacked at the final destination.

"The largest firm of wholesale fruit sellers in Dusseldorf has an average sale during the winter of 600 bunches a week and during the summer of 800 to 1,000 bunches. The bananas cost in London about $2.85 per 110 pounds and sell to the retailers for about 5 to 6 cents a pound. The Colombia Banana Company has also begun this line of trade, but has not yet made much headway. It is said to be planning a $2,000,000 increase of capital."

Egg Prices Rising.

Local commission merchants are apprehensive that the great floods of the Middle West will have a tendency to raise the price of eggs in the eastern section of the United States, for the reason that practically all western shipments have been stopped or are rapidly decreasing in volume. There has been very little damage in the Eastern States and the Middle West is so inundated that it is probable it will call on the East for eggs and poultry.

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GAVEL TO PRESIDENT BAKER

Presented Head of Liquor License Board by Clerks.

J. Henry Baker, president of the Board of Liquor License Commissioners, was at his law office yesterday for the first time after an illness of two weeks. As soon as his presence was known at his office the clerks of the Liquor License Board requested him to come to the rooms of the board in the Courthouse and presented him with a very handsome gavel.

The presentation speech was made by John F. Langhammer, the chief clerk, who said the gavel was given as a token of regard and esteem in which Mr. Baker was held by every clerk. He also congratulated him upon his speedy recovery and hoped his days may be long and happy. Mr. Baker replied, saying, in part:

"I have received many tokens of regard since I have been sick, such as flowers, letters and messages expressing sympathy, all of which have greatly impressed me and cannot be forgotten." He appreciated this beautiful gavel, he said, coming from the men with whom he comes in daily contact in trying to perform with his esteemed colleagues the strenuous duties of the office. "It is not for the intrinsic value of the gavel itself that I prize it, as handsome as it is, but the motive, the friendly feeling and generous impulse that has prompted you men to give it," he said. "I accept it with the best wishes from each of you, and will endeavor to use it aright, and will consider it an heirloom to be passed to my children's children."

The gavel is a very handsome one and perhaps no official in the state will wield one of more intrinsic value. It is made of ivory with a gold band, bearing the inscription:

Presented to
J. HENRY BAKER,
President Liquor License Commissioners,
By the Clerks, 1913.

Mr. Baker shows the effect of his illness, but said he expected to be "in harness," as he expressed it, in a few days.

GRAPE GROWING

Practical Suggestions for Readers of The American.

The grape is as hardy as the apple. Any good farm land that is well drained and not of too sandy a nature will grow grapes. The limestone ridges of the western counties of the state which cannot be cultivated owing to the rocky character of the soil, will grow the choicest peaches, apples, plums and grapes. Many acres of mountain land have been prepared by the use of dynamite, and the success that has accompanied the enterprise has been phenomenal.

The grape requires a mellow, finely pulverized soil 8 to 10 inches deep, with a good clay subsoil and good drainage sloping toward the south or southwest. The old method of double trenching is no longer necessary. Give a thick dressing of well-rotted manure and plow it under 10 inches deep, and harrow until the soil is fine and mellow. October is the best fall month and April the best spring month for planting. Plant before the buds open. All grapes should be planted in long rows, so the work can be done with the horse cultivator or hand plow. This is the proper method of planting. With the two-horse plow mark out straight rows 10 inches deep, going twice in each row. Make the rows eight feet apart and set the vines eight feet apart in the row.

Cut the vine down to one foot, leaving two to three buds above ground. Trim the roots to 10 inches. Put in a shovelful of good, rich earth where the vine is to be set. Spread out the roots and cover with four inches of good, rich earth, then sprinkle one handful of fine ground animal bone around each vine and then fill up the farrow. Drive a stout five-foot oak stake down back of each vine and train to a single cane the first year. Cultivate the ground between the rows, keeping the soil mellow and free of weeds. In the fall spread two forkfuls of manure around each vine to prevent deep freezing of ground. The next spring after planting cut the cane back to within 16 inches of the ground and allow two of the strongest buds to grow two canes four feet in length. This is the most important period in the life of a vineyard, for the beauty of the vineyard will depend on the care bestowed on the vines.

The Fuller system of culture is the best for the large or small vineyard. It consists in training each 4-foot arm to the first trellis bar the third year and allowing four of the strongest buds on each arm to grow. Each one of these cones will set one to two bunches of grapes, and each vine with good culture will produce 10 to 12 large bunches. In the fall of the third year the cones are cut back to three buds, and the fourth year each vine will grow eight cones on each arm and should yield 25 to 30 pounds of fruit to the vine. Bearing grapevines require phosphoric acid and potash. Rank stable manure should not be used, as it produces an excess of foliage at the expense of fruit. One pint of fine ground bone mixed with one quart of wood ashes and spread around each vine in the fall and forked under will grow healthy vines and fruit of high color and flavor.

Conference on Respective Rights.

Representatives of the Good Roads Commission, United Railways Company and the city held a joint conference yesterday in the Mayor's reception-room to consider the respective rights of each concerning the tracks and switches on the thoroughfares to be paved by the state commission. Recently the commission decided to pave Pennsylvania avenue, Hanover street, Reisterstown road, Belair road and Frederick road. There are a number of questions to be considered and a series of meetings between the engineers of the city, state and traction company will be held.

THE PEOPLE'S LETTER BOX

TOPICS DISCUSSED BY READERS OF THIS PAPER.

Local Option, Maintains a Writer With a Facile Pen, Is Based Upon the Inalienable Right of the People to Rule—Mr. Marbury's Candidacy and the President in Relation to This Principle.

Letters designed for publication in this column must be indorsed with the name and address of the writer. Anonymous communications will not be considered. When the writer so prefers his name will not be published. Letters should not exceed 500 words.

To the Editor: The sole issue presented by "local option" in this state is so inevitable as to be invulnerable to all the arguments and artifices of Mr. Marbury. Is any argument needed to support the sole doctrine of Mr. Anderson, the great and "inalienable right of the people to reform or change their government"?

The grandest type and example of this doctrine is to be found today in "Progressive Democracy's" delimitation of tariff and trust. The foundation of this invulnerable and immortal right of the people to reform or change their government is the Anglo-Saxon charter of liberty, Magna Charta. It seems in politics the eras of cobwebs are never brushed away. Says Mr. Wilson in New Jersey: "I do not believe that party programs of the highest consequence to the political life of the state and of the nation ought to be thrust to one side and hopelessly embarrassed for long periods together by making a political issue of a great question which is essentially nonpolitical, nonpartisan, moral and social in its nature."

What has this thesis of Mr. Wilson in New Jersey to do with the actual conditions confronting local option in this state? All that the President has said may have been well predicated of the status of the liquor question in New Jersey and yet have no connection with the local option issue in this state. There can be no more comprehensive measure of public policy nor a higher sanction of the right of the people to alter their present form of government than the right to vote upon local option. This principle is the invariable pole-star of the Anglo-Saxon race. The force of public opinion, the force of existing circumstances in the highly artificial state of modern society in a country like ours compel the recognition of this right regardless of partisan partnership.

Mr. Marbury's candidacy from its inception has forced the President into an awkward position, and, as the public generally believe, unwarranted prominence. Obviously Mr. Marbury neatly and glibly runs down the chain of consecutive inference to hide himself under the President. He throws the whole business upon Mr. Wilson. This freedom of conforming the government as the people desire has alone made our government what it is. Thanks be to God and our fathers for establishing it. Nothing short of the will of the whole people can change or affect the rule that a state or city can be governed by the people. The end of all political associations is the presentation of the rights of man, which are liberty, property and security, moral and social, no less than political.

The American government is equal to the reformation of its own abuses, and the people have an inalienable right to know whether candidates exhibit helpless ignorance or indifference to great civic and moral uprisings. It involves too large a demand on our common sense and patience to allow any quibble over and pitiful shuffling about the right of the people to alter their own government by a nebulous mass of verbiage too diplomatic and vaporous for common use. Upon such a protective measure of public policy we have the right to know how the claimants of our suffrage stand. In great conjunctures these subtle maneuvers under an outward show of perfect sincerity are one of the weak points in representative government.

MAGNA CHARTA.

Baltimore, March 28.

Wants Baltimore Street Paved.

To the Editor: While the Paving Commission is considering streets to be improved, would it not be wise to consider Baltimore street, and especially that part located in the heart of the business section? It does seem to me that such an important street as this should have a smooth pavement. I know that the argument used against it that it will be harder on horses in winter weather. It must be remembered, however, that there are practically no grades on Baltimore street, as on Fayette and other streets, and some good smooth material would be an added attraction in the city's business section. Let the Paving Commission consider the matter carefully.

CITIZEN.

Baltimore, March 28.

Valuation of Railroads.

To the Editor: Local and out-of-town railroad men will do everything in their power to facilitate the Interstate Commerce Commission in carrying on its work of valuing the railroad systems of this country, as provided for under the La Follette bill recently passed by Congress. The railroads of the country have nothing to fear from such valuation. In those states where valuations have been made by railroad commissions, such valuations were far in excess of the capitalization of the properties selected. I have no doubt that the value of the Baltimore and Ohio, the Western Maryland, and the majority of other roads in the country far exceeds their capitalization. The work of placing a value on the carriers of the country must be done, and every railroad man will only be too willing to aid rather than hinder the Interstate Commerce Commission in the task before it.

RAILROAD MAN.

Baltimore, March 28.

John Bull's Good Investment.

To the Editor: I read in your issue of today about Uncle Sam as a real estate dealer. He certainly has made some bargains, but there are others.

In the early 70's of the last century the Orange Free State of South Africa was on the verge of bankruptcy and John Bull averted the catastrophe by buying from the Freestate, for the sum of £90,000, a province called Grigualand, West, then seemingly a valueless, barren stretch of land, inhabited by a few Boers and a tribe of savages called Grigues.

In this province, a few years later, diamonds were found, which led to the opening of the four diamond mines—Kimberley, De Beers, Dutoitspan and Bullfontain—and from these mines have been taken, from about 1880 up to the present time, an average of £4,000,000 ($20,000,000) worth of diamonds every year.

This is not a bad investment in itself, and when you take into consideration that diamonds were the sesame that opened up the unknown part of the great Dark Continent and led to its development, and the subsequent discovery of the richest gold field of the world and from which now is brought out more gold than from all other gold fields put together, it must be considered a record-breaking investment. A good deed abundantly rewarded.

I may mention in connection with this that where the Kimberley Diamond Mine now is situated there was a hill densely covered by mimosa thorn trees and that on this hill Dr. Livingstone, on his journey to the wilderness, camped for a considerable time. This was told me by an old man in Port Elizabeth, "the Liverpool of South Africa," who was one of Dr. Livingstone's party.

A. P.

Baltimore, March 28.

Traffic and North Avenue.

To the Editor: Permit me to call attention to two dangerous sections of North avenue. The southeast corner of North avenue and Greenmount avenue is a narrow point, where one pedestrian can block all eastbound traffic. By cutting away the northwest pavement corner and with slight alteration in the street railway tracks the present danger would no longer exist. The section on North avenue beginning at Charles street and ending at Oak street has a number of dangerous curves, corners and crossings. Traffic is greatly impeded by the two grass plots in the street bed. Removal of these grass plots and straightening the trackage would eliminate the danger to pedestrians and materially benefit vehicular traffic.

Anything that interferes with traffic is a disadvantage to a community. Curves may be the main beauty of art, but in mathematics a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, and this is, after all, a practical world where we punch holes through mountains to save time. A city street is not a proper place to conduct a semiagricultural experiment station, and these squares have no practical value otherwise.

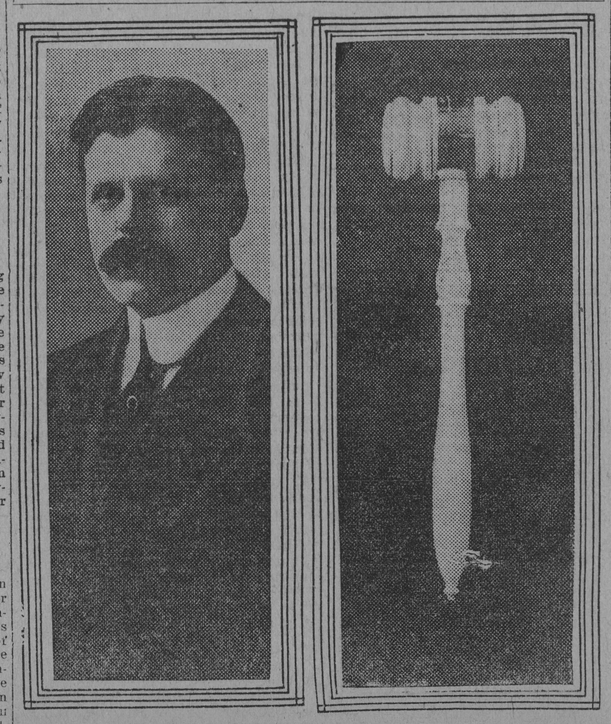
W. H. LOGUE,
931 North Broadway.

Baltimore, March 28.

To Give Organ Recital.

Lorraine Holloway, organist of St. David's Church, Roland Park, will give an organ recital at the Church of the Epiphany, Arlington and Ready avenues, on Tuesday evening. Rev. Carroll E. Harding is rector of the church. The pipe organ has been recently installed in the church.

PRESIDENT BAKER AND NEW GAVEL



Head of Board of Liquor License Commissioners and token of esteem of clerks to body which was presented to him yesterday.

THE SUNDAY AMERICAN

Containing the Second Instalment of Amundsen's Own Story, How I Found the South Pole.

Tomorrow's Sunday American will contain four large sections, presenting the news of the world, local happenings and social events, and interesting and instructive special articles handsomely illustrated with comic features in colors.

Among its features will be:

$5,000 REWARD, DEAD OR ALIVE. A page reproduction in colors of one of Frederic Remington's greatest pictures.

AMUNDSEN'S OWN STORY. In this instalment the discoverer of the South Pole describes for readers of The Sunday American the difficult progress of the Fram until Madeira is reached. The crew is still ignorant of the objective point of the expedition.

WHAT WILL BECOME OF ANNIE? A page fiction feature by Brand Whitlock.

THE GUM SHOE MAN. Words and music of a catchy song hit.

WHITE WIVES OF ORIENTAL RULERS. By Ex-Attache. The hard lot of women who have married out of their race.

FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF GETTYSBURG. How Uncle Sam will entertain veterans of the Blue and the Gray.

MEMORABLE FLOODS IN MARYLAND. A story that will stir the memory of the oldest inhabitant.

FADS AND FANCIES OF FASHION. An authoritative letter on what to wear, by the well known authority, May Manton.

HEALTH, STRENGTH AND BEAUTY. A page that has attained great popularity with the women of Baltimore. Madam Hebe's beauty hints are highly esteemed and her advice is free for the asking.

M. QUAD'S PAGE OF SENSE AND NONSENSE, including the inimitable Mr. Bowser.

WORK AND PLAY FOR THE IDLE HOUR. The American's popular patterns for industrious housewives, designed by Sarah Hale Hunter.

FACE COVERED WITH PIMPLES

Suffered Three Years. Used Resinol. Now Not A Pimple To Be Seen.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 27, 1912. "I had been troubled for the past three years with pimples which completely covered my face and neck. The pimples would come out, fester up and cause me to pick at them, feeling very uncomfortable. I tried most all kinds of facial cream, but with no effect. I tried a sample of Resinol Soap and Ointment and noticed instant relief. I bought Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment and began the treatment. After using two jars of Resinol Ointment and Resinol Soap there was not a pimple to be seen, and now my face is as smooth as if there was never a pimple on it." (Signed) Albert Greenburg, 4167 Frankford avenue.

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TRIBUTES PAID TO MGR. DEVINE

CONGRATULATED BY CARDINAL ON SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

No Man in Priesthood More Deserving of Blessings of the Catholic Church Than the Pastor of St. John's, Says the Prelate at Celebration Arranged by Children of Parochial Schools.

"There is no honor peculiarly attached to the vocation which he follows that is too high for Mgr. George W. Devine, and there is no man in the priesthood of the Roman Catholic Church who deserves more the blessing of the church than does he. A representative of God, he has in the last 25 years administered to his people and has folded to his breast the children, of whom Christ said: 'To enter the Kingdom of Heaven ye must be as these.'"

So said Cardinal Gibbons yesterday noon, speaking to 1,300 school children of St. John's parish, on the occasion of the celebration of the silver jubilee of Mgr. Devine's pastorate at St. John's Church, Eager and Valley streets.

Assembled in the church hall directly opposite the church the children bade welcome to Mgr. Devine and sang in chorus their congratulation. After congratulating the pastor, Cardinal Gibbons told the children they should be grateful for the possession of such an efficient and benevolent pastor.

It was an elaborate program that the children of both the boys' and girls' schools had arranged, with the assistance of the Sisters of Charity, who teach them. Almost filling the spacious hall, which was gaily bedecked in red and purple ribbons, the colors of the Cardinal and the Monsignor, the children greeted their pastor with song and verse, finally presenting him two purses containing silver coins. Cardinal Gibbons was presented two large bouquets of red carnations.

Accompanied by Rev. Edward L. Devine and Rev. Leonard Ripple, assistants, Cardinal Gibbons and Mgr. Devine entered the hall at noon. As the doors closed behind them 1,300 voices burst into song, rendering the Jubilee Chorus. An address of welcome was then delivered to Cardinal Gibbons by John Neary, which was followed by a welcome to Mgr. Devine by William Coulter, both on behalf of the boys' school. Josephine Curtis and the members of the graduating class of the girls' school welcomed the Cardinal and Mgr. Devine, respectively. Then followed the singing of the Laudate and of God Bless Our Pastor. A vocal solo was then contributed by Thomas O'Keefe, after which the carnations were presented the Cardinal and the purses to Mgr. Devine.

In his address of congratulation to Mgr. Devine, Cardinal Gibbons pointed out that the establishment of the schools in connection with the church was one of the essential features of its growth. He congratulated the Monsignor on the success of his many undertakings and accomplishments since his advent to the parish, and then left to keep an engagement.

To the addresses from the children, Mgr. Devine told of the joy felt by him on the occasion, and remarked that he, as well as his children, had profited by his presence in St. John's. "I have been showered with blessings, my children," he said, "all because of your prayers. It is to you that I owe the success of my undertakings, for from your lips have come the words that have reached heaven and evoked responses. I pray that I may live to be with you many more years."

Mgr. Devine was born in Ireland, and came to this city when a boy. He was educated in St. Charles' College, and later in St. Mary's Seminary, where he was ordained by Cardinal Gibbons. He was appointed assistant pastor of St. Mary's Star of the Sea, later going to Westminster and Washington, and finally taking charge of St. John's on April 2, 1888.

The members of the congregation and the societies connected therewith are planning for a general parish celebration some time next week.

M. A. BLUMENBERG DEAD

Noted Musical Editor Was Born in This City.

Marc A. Blumenberg, editor-in-chief of the Musical Courier, Musical Courier Extra, proprietor of these papers and the American Musician and the Blumenberg Press, died at his home in Paris Thursday afternoon at the age of 62, as the result of heart trouble, from which he had been suffering since last September. He was born in Baltimore May 21, 1851, and was the son of a prominent merchant here.

His early education included a thorough course in music, and Mr. Blumenberg passed his early manhood in the pursuit of a musical career. At the age of 20 he entered journalism under the auspices of William M. Laffan, and took a position on the Baltimore Bulletin, where he acted in the capacity of writer and critic of music and art. When Mr. Laffan left Baltimore, Mr. Blumenberg associated himself with The Baltimore American, where he stayed for some years, until he became interested in the development of mining in Alabama and formed a company for the exploitation of some property which he had acquired at Black Warrior River, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

The company which was formed for the purpose of carrying on the business there did not prosper, and soon after Mr. Blumenberg sought a larger field by locating in New York city. There his journalistic and musical experience stood him in good stead, for he acquired control of a small music paper, which, under the name of the Musical Courier and through his energetic work and extraordinary business and executive abilities, has since developed into the well-known publication of that name. He developed the paper into international significance and established branch offices at London, Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Leipsic, Munich, Dresden, Milan, Naples and other important European centers as well as all cities of importance in the United States. In the whole musical work the Musical Courier is recognized as a dominant and influential factor. Of late years Mr. Blumenberg had made his home in Paris, visiting this country only at intervals, and his interests here were organized into stock companies.

Mr. Blumenberg was married in 1904 to Mrs. Ruth Abbey, and she survives him.

Baltimoreans Going Abroad.

The following Baltimoreans will sail for Genoa via Gibraltar, Algiers and Naples, from New York, Saturday on the North German Lloyd steamship Berlin: Miss Elise Donaldson, Miss Minna Lurman, Mrs. Angelina Conticello and Salvatore Patricola.

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

UNITED STATES WEATHER BUREAU.
Washington, March 28.

Forecast for Saturday and Sunday: For Maryland, New England, Eastern New York, Eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware and District of Columbia, fair Saturday and probably Sunday; rising temperature; moderate variable winds, mostly south.

For Virginia and North Carolina, fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday, increasing cloudiness and warmer; light variable winds, shifting to south.

For South Carolina, fair Saturday and Sunday, becoming unsettled on the coast; rising temperature; moderate east to south winds.

For West Virginia, fair and warmer Saturday; Sunday, increasing cloudiness and warmer.

Weather Conditions and General Forecast: The cold wave is now passing into the ocean, and the temperature is rising throughout the western and central portions of the country.

The disturbance in the Far Northwest caused considerable precipitation during Friday in that section, but in other districts generally fair weather has continued.

It is probable that showers will occur in portions of the Gulf Region either Saturday or Sunday, and possibly in a few scattered areas in the West, but no rainfall of importance is yet indicated in the districts lying east of the Rockies, but rather generally fair and warmer weather during Saturday and Sunday. Moreover, a protracted period of mild temperature is indicated in all districts.

The winds along the New England and Middle Atlantic Coasts will be moderate variable; along the South Atlantic Coast, moderate northeast; along the East Gulf Coast, moderate northeast to east; along the West Gulf Coast, moderate east to southeast; on Lake Michigan, brisk to high southerly.

Steamers departing Saturday for European ports will have moderate variable and generally fair weather to the Grand Banks.

Daily Report.

Custom-house, Baltimore, March 28.

Time.	Thermometer.	Relative Humidity.	Direction of Wind.	Velocity of Wind.	Precipitation.	State of Weather.
8 A. M.	34	52	NW.	8	.00	Clear
8 P. M.	42	43	NW.	7	.00	Clear

Normal temperature 46 | Highest temperature... 47
Mean temperature.. 39 | Lowest temperature.... 31

Maximum velocity of the wind, 11 miles an hour, from the northwest.

Record of Temperature.

The following table gives the minimum temperatures at 8 o'clock tonight for the past 24 hours at the following named stations:

Atlantic City, clear	39	Montgomery, clear	32
Bismarck, cloudy	20	Montreal, missing	16
Boston, clear	30	Nantucket, clear	32
Buffalo, clear	20	New Orleans, pt. cldy	40
Charleston, clear	40	New York, pt. cldy	36
Chicago, clear	28	Oklahoma, clear	32
Cleveland, pt. cloudy	20	Pittsburgh, clear	24
Corpus Christi, p. cl'y	74	Philadelphia, clear	30
Denver, pt. cloudy	30	Portland, Me., clear	28
Detroit, clear	14	Portland, Ore., cloudy	36
Duluth, pt. cloudy	14	Providence, clear	28
Eastport, clear	24	Quebec, missing	14
Galveston, cloudy	52	Raleigh, clear	34
Green Bay, cloudy	22	Salt Lake City, cloudy	32
Hatteras, pt. cloudy	42	San Francisco, cloudy	46
Havre, clear	40	St. Louis, clear	24
Helena, clear	38	St. Paul, cloudy	22
Jacksonville, cloudy	40	Scranton, clear	24
Kansas City, cloudy	28	Shreveport, clear	34
Knoxville, clear	30	Spokane, rain	36
Louisville, clear	28	Tampa, cloudy	50
Marquette, cloudy	12	Washington, clear	30
Memphis, clear	34	Winnipeg, cloudy	20

Almanac for Today.

Sun Rises.....5:58 A. M. | Sun Sets.....6:26 P. M.
Moon Rises.....2:46 A. M. Sunday.

HIGH WATER.

12:37 A. M.....12 Feet

[Calculations Expressed in Eastern Standard Time.]

HOTEL MANAGERS TO DINE DOWNS

FAREWELL BANQUET AT BELVEDERE TOMORROW.

State Hotel Men's Association Decides on Plan at a Meeting to Accept Resignation of the Former Head of Stafford as President of the Body—Testimonial of Regard for Him.

A special meeting of the Maryland Hotel Men's Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Hotel Stafford to accept the resignation as president of the association of Robert S. Downs, who has just given up the management of the Hotel Stafford to take charge of the Shoreham, in Washington. The meeting was largely attended by all the hotel managers in the city. It was decided at the meeting to give Mr. Downs a farewell dinner at the Hotel Belvedere tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. There will be no one present but the members of the Hotel Men's Association.

Mr. Downs was manager of the Hotel Stafford for 10 years, and during that time he did a great deal for the Maryland Hotel Men's Association. A few weeks ago the cooks at the Hotel Belvedere struck shortly before the time to serve a number of large banquets and dinners. As soon as Mr. Downs heard of the trouble he had the food prepared by his chef and other cooks from the Hotel Stafford. This was not the first time Mr. Downs had helped another local hotel out of a tight place.

The managers who will attend the dinner tomorrow night are: John P. Doyle, now head of the Hotel Stafford; W. L. Jordan, Belvedere; Harry Busick, New Howard and Caswell; Edward Davis, Rennert; Frederick C. Schanberger, Kennan; John P. Nixon, Nixon; Col. [illegible] H. Joyce, Joyce; Frank O'Brien, [illegible]ly at Eutaw House; John T. Tjarks, Raleigh; George Frock, Junker; J. McK. Hempstead, Emerson, and Warner Stork, Altamont.

The Maryland Hotel Clerks' Association will send Mr. Downs a testimonial in the shape of a handsome basket of flowers.

The new president of the Maryland Hotel Men's Association will not be elected until the first Monday in April, when the next regular meeting of the association takes place.

President Race Here Tomorrow.

The preacher at Madison Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church tomorrow morning will be Dr. J. H. Race, D. D., president of Chattanooga University. He is an unusually strong speaker. In the evening the pastor, Dr. Polemus H. Swift, will preach on Living Waters. By special request the choir will repeat five selections from the elaborate Easter program rendered last Sunday. These numbers will be: As Moses Lifted Up the Serpent, Hammond; On Wings of Living Light, Mathews; As It Began to Dawn, Miller; contralto solo, Hosannaa, Gainer; Lift Up Your Voices, Berwald. This splendid program, rendered by a fine choir, ought to make a strong appeal to the lovers of sacred music.

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