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The reconstruction of the Japanese telephone system in the zone which was ravaged by the great earthquake will cost 90,000,000 yen (over $36,000,000), according to a report from the Acting Commerical Attache at Tokyo. In addition to this large sum for the rehabilitation of the telephones, 10,400,000 yen are to be expended on rebuilding the telegraph system, and 34,500,000 yen have been allotted for the re-establishment of the postal service.

WHEN GEN. GRANT FIRST TALKED OVER TELEPHONE

When Ulysses S. Grant returned from his trip around the world early in 1880, he visited in Platteville, Wisconsin, and there it was that he had his first experience with the telephone, which had been invented only a few years before and which, at that time, had not as yet become widely known. A public reception was accorded General Grant in Platteville, and while it was taking place he was informed that some gentleman from Lancaster, Wisconsin, desired to talk to him over the telephone, this being one of the first lines, if not the first, in Southern Wisconsin. General Grant was much impressed with the new invention and prophesied a great future for it.

CAUTION

All persons are warned against trespassing upon my place at Hanesville between sunset and sunrise as I will not be responsible for the consequences to those who disregard this notice, for my home has been gassed on three occasions. W. E. MYERS. o4-3t

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If you want to know whether or not Chestertown is keeping up with the improvement procession, try to engage the services of a builder, a carpenter, plumber or mechanic. You will find that you will have to take your turn, which is a good sign.

Mrs. John Karney, of Wilmington, was killed on Saturday afternoon in an automobile accident, when the car in which she was riding was struck by another car. Mrs. Karney was a friend of Mrs. Horace Needles, of Chestertown, and had visited the latter only a few months ago.

A car driven by Edward Elburn, of Piney Neck, crashed into a tree along S. E. Burgess' farm Friday evening and all the occupants were more or less injured though none seriously, while the car was demolished. The other members of the party were Miller Cornelius and the Misses Elizabeth Weaver, Myrtle and Edna Jayner, and Katherine Tracy, the latter of Baltimore.

Soccer ball and field ball are the games now being played by the Kent County Public Schools. Last week the Chestertown High School Soccer team defeated Galena and on Wednesday Chestertown also defeated Rock Hall by score of 5 to 0. The Rock Hall Girls Field Ball team defeated the Chestertown girls team the same day by score of 9 to 0.

Desirous of establishing even greater transportation accomodation and increased traffic facilities over the route of the Shore Transit Line, Inc., General Manager Lee Webster Selfe was in Chestertown Wednesday, on an inspection trip. Three outgoing and three incoming trips daily are provided in the new schedule, which Manager Selfe states will be continued permanently if the busses receive sufficient patronage to warrant it.

The traffic executive of the Shore Line pointed out that, while the number of passengers carried at this time would not enable the company to pay attractive dividends, the management was hopeful that eventually the patronage would be increased to a point where they would feel warranted in not only providing the present service, but greatly improved traffic facilities.

Tilghman watermen have caught a large number of splendid bay mackerel during the last few days. These toothsome water denizens are of fine size and bring good prices in the city markets. The fair-sized ones weighed about 3 pounds. A trader was in Chestertown with a load and soon sold out.

James Foxx, young player of the Philadelphia Athletics, returned this week to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Foxx, of Sudlersville. He will remain home until next spring, when he will again don an Athletic uniform and join Connie Mac's forces for spring training.

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Standardized Layettes Assure Modern Baby Correct Wardrobe; Health Agency Gives Patterns

STANDARDIZED layettes assure the baby of 1924 that he will be as well, and as comfortably dressed on the day he makes his advent into the world, as he will at 21, when tailors and haberdashers cater to his sartorial needs. Health authorities agree that the modern infant's wardrobe is an important feature of the plans made for his arrival. Consequently, it is no surprise to learn that many visiting nurses include a full course of sewing instructions in their program of prenatal service.

Among other health agencies, the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company is carrying on an intensive campaign of education for the expectant mother. Visiting nurses in 4,038 cities and towns in this country and Canada are giving prenatal and post-natal care. The company's nursing service handled over 100,000 maternity cases last year.

French Canada was foremost among the territories having a large percentage of maternal cases last year, 60 per cent. of the nursing visits being of that kind. Nurses, working directly for the company, or under arrangements with local nursing associations, expect to develop the prenatal work on even broader lines during the coming year than has been possible in the past.

One of the objects of this work is to assist mothers during the trying prenatal period, not only by looking after their physical needs, but by advice and encouragement regarding preparations for the new baby. The making of layettes is an example of this feature of the service. Patterns for baby clothes may be had on request.

This help is especially appreciated by foreign-born mothers in crowded industrial centers. Modern welfare programs carried out by public health nurses, are gradually eliminating the dread with which mothers formerly viewed the advent of a new baby.

The Metropolitan nursing service was maintained during 1923 at a cost of $1,789,151. The company has 1,403 nursing centers, 379 being in the New England States.

During the coming year, in cooperation with other health organizations, and with the full approval of the medical fraternity, the Metropolitan will increase its efforts to reduce the maternal death rate in this country. In the past the average has been 20,000 deaths a year. Visiting nurses will see the expectant mother once a month from the time a case is reported until confinement. Following the birth of a child both mother and baby will be cared for daily for eight days. If complications develop, the nurse is privileged to extend the period.

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Visiting Nurses Carry On Intensive Health Campaigns To Save Coming Generation

EFFORTS to reduce the excessive death rate from maternal mortality in the United States will continue during the coming year, according to a report read by Haley Fiske, president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, at the annual convention. During 1923, 100,000 maternity cases among Metropolitan policy-holders, received the care of public health nurses, either working directly for the company or under arrangement with local health associations.

The report revealed the fact that an average of 20,000 mothers die each year from causes incidental to childbirth. In order to reduce this rate, the company is carrying on an intensive prenatal service. Visiting nurses see the expectant mother once a month from the time a case is reported until confinement. Following the birth of a child, both mother and baby are cared for daily for eight days. If complications develop, the nurse is privileged to make closer observations of the case.

An important feature of the work is the education given mothers regarding their own health and the health of infants. They are instructed to keep in close touch with a physician during pregnancy and to make ample provision for good obstetrical service at confinement.

New York City leads the country in low mortality due to child bearing. The average in that city is five deaths for each thousand mothers, while the general rate is eight for each thousand.

Nursing associations and other agencies throughout the country are co-operating with the company in its campaign.

PROCLAMATION

Proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the State, 1924

WHEREAS, at the January Session of the General Assembly of Maryland, held in the year 1924, two Acts were passed, to-wit: Chapter 177 proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorney," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," regulating the compensation and the expenses of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City and that of his deputy and assistants; and Chapter 327 proposing an amendment to Section 34 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," for the purpose of permitting the State to pledge its credit for the raising of such funds as may be needed for the aid or compensation of those citizens of the State who during the time of war have, with honor, served their country and State, and which said Chapters 177 and 327 are in the words and figures following:

CHAPTER 177.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorneys," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," regulating the compensation and the expenses of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City and that of his deputy and assistants, and to provide for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring, that the following be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 9 of Article V, title "Attorney-General and State's Attorneys," sub-title "The State's Attorneys," of the Constitution of Maryland, the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 9 of Article V of the Constitution.

SEC. 9. The State's Attorney shall perform such duties and receive such fees and commissions or salary, not exceeding three thousand dollars, as are now or may hereafter be prescribed by law; and if any State's Attorney shall receive any other fee or reward than such as is or may be allowed by law, he shall, on conviction thereof, be removed from office; provided, that the State's Attorney for Baltimore City shall have the power to appoint a Deputy and such other Assistants as the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City may authorize or approve and until otherwise provided by the General Assembly, the said State's Attorney, Deputy and Assistants shall receive the following annual salaries: State's Attorney, seven thousand five hundred dollars; Deputy State's Attorney, five thousand dollars; Assistant State's Attorneys, four thousand dollars each; said salaries, or such salaries as the General Assembly may subsequently provide, and such expense for conducting the office of the State's Attorney as the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City may authorize or approve shall be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to the extent that the total of them exceeds the fees of his office, or as the General Assembly shall otherwise provide, and the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall not be liable for appearance fees to the State's Attorney.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said aforegoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall at the next ensuing general election for members of Congress, to be held in this State on the Tuesday next after the first Monday of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection in conformity with the directions contained in Article XIV of the Constitution of this State, and at the said election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot there shall be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, and further proceedings had in accordance with Article 14 of the Constitution.

Approved April 9, 1924.

CHAPTER 327.

AN ACT to propose an amendment to Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," for the purpose of permitting the State to pledge its credit for the raising of such funds as may be needed for the aid or compensation of those citizens of the State who during the time of war have, with honor, served their country and State, and providing for the submission of said amendment to the qualified voters of this State for adoption or rejection.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland* (three-fifths of all the members of each of the two Houses concurring), That the following section be and the same is hereby proposed as an amendment to Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Maryland, title "Legislative Department," the same if adopted by the legally qualified voters of the State, as herein provided, to become Section 34 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Maryland.

34. No debt shall be hereafter contracted by the General Assembly unless such debt shall be authorized by a law providing for the collection of an annual tax or taxes sufficient to pay the interest on such debt as it falls due, and also to discharge the principal thereof within fifteen years from the time of contracting the same; and the taxes laid for this purpose shall not be repealed or applied to any other object until the said debt and interest thereon shall be fully discharged. The credit of the State shall not in any manner be given or loaned to, or in aid of any individual association or corporation; nor shall the General Assembly have the power in any mode to involve the State in the construction of works of internal improvement, nor in granting any aid thereto which shall involve the faith or credit of the State; nor make any appropriation therefor, except in aid of the construction of works of internal improvement in the counties of St Mary's, Charles and Calvert, which have had no direct advantage from such works as have been heretofore aided by the State; and provided that such aid, advances or appropriations shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars. And they shall not use or appropriate the proceeds of the internal improvement companies, or of the State tax, now levied, or which may hereafter be levied, to pay off the public debt (or) to any other purpose until the interest and debt are fully paid or the sinking fund shall be equal to the amount of the outstanding debt; but the General Assembly may, without laying a tax, borrow an amount never to exceed fifty thousand dollars to meet temporary deficiencies in the Treasury, and may contract debt to any amount that may be necessary for the defence of the State. And provided further that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the raising of funds for the purpose of aiding or compensating in such manner or way as the General Assembly of the State shall deem proper, those citizens of the State who have served, with honor, their country and State in time of war; provided, however, that such action of the General Assembly shall be effective only when submitted to and approved by a vote of the people of the State at the General Election next following the enactment of such legislation.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the said aforegoing section hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution, shall, at the next general election for members of Congress held in this State, be submitted to the legal and qualified voters of the State for adoption or rejection, in pursuance of the directions contained in Article 14 of the Constitution of this State, and at the said general election the vote on the said proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be by ballot, and upon each ballot, there shall be printed the following synopsis of said amendment under the caption of "Constitutional Amendment Providing For Aid Or Adjusted Compensation To War Veterans." This amendment removes the prohibition now in the State Constitution which prevents the State from pledging its credit for the raising of monies which could be used for the aid or as adjusted compensation to those citizens of the State who, with honor, served their country or State in time of war; and upon each ballot there shall also be printed the words "For the Constitutional Amendment" and "Against the Constitutional Amendment," as now provided by law, and immediately after said election due returns shall be made to the Governor of the vote for and against said proposed amendment, as directed by said Fourteenth Article of the Constitution, and further proceedings had in accordance with said Article Fourteen.

Approved April 9, 1924.

Now, Therefore, I, Albert C. Ritchie, Governor of the State of Maryland, in pursuance of the direction contained in Section 1 of Article 14 of the Constitution of Maryland, do hereby order and direct that this proclamation containing a full, true and correct copy of the text of said Chapters 177 and 327 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1924, be published in at least two newspapers in each of the counties of the State where so many may be published and where not more than one may be published then in that newspaper, and in three newspapers published in the City of Baltimore, one of which shall be published in the German language, once a week for at least three months next preceding the general election to be held in the State of Maryland on Tuesday the 4th day of November, 1924, at which election the said proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in form and manner prescribed by the General Assembly, to the legal and qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

The Great Seal of the State of Maryland.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland. Done at the City of Annapolis, this 15th day of July, nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

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