The Transcript.

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EDITORS.

CONGRESSMAN J. Harry Covington has removed his family from Easton to Washington, where he has leased an attractive residence at 2608 Cathedral street.

DR. JAMES BOSLEY, health commissioner of the city of Baltimore since 1900, and one of the city's most prominent physicians, died at his home there on Sunday of a complication of diseases. Dr. Bosley will be a great loss to the medical profession and to the city in all walks of life.

COMPTROLLER EMERSON C. HARRINGTON in his annual report recently submitted, urges the most rigid economy in the expenditure of the State's money during this fiscal year. It is time for some one to be urging such economy. The State tax for 1913 will be 31 cents on the $100 as against 23½ cents in 1912. This great increase is largely due to the payment of interest on millions of dollars worth of bonds issued by authority of the Legislature for the building of State roads at the rate of $10,000 and more per mile. We are in favor of the building of good roads, and believe it is the State's duty to provide them, but when such fabulons sum as $10,000 per mile is charged for the building of these roads, it seems to us to be the biggest graft ever forced upon the people of this State.

'S MATTER, POP?

The only thing for which the Organization letter writers and assistant editors of the Beck organ have failed to accuse the TRANSCRIPT of lying about and being guilty of *misrepresentation* is that MESSENGER BOY ARTICLE which showed that the Organization had employed *seven* men as *messengers* in the Fourth District alone for from two to five weeks prior to the primaries of 1911, at a cost of from $10 to $25 each. That article must be so *absolutely true* and convincing that it has taken the *"puff"* out of the Organization. The TRANSCRIPT has got the dead wood on the Organization, and they are afraid to open their mouths on this messenger boy business for fear they will "let the cat out of the bag." This is the blow that "killed the two birds," and one of the "birds" double column advertisement of a number of questions in his organ looks like a *lame duck* "blind" with the "decoys" set to *induce the people to keep away* from the messenger boy exposure. 'S matter, pop, got cold feet?

CONGRESSMAN DAVID J. LEWIS in a forceful interview in the Baltimore Sun on Monday emphatically declared for Senator Blair Lee as the candidate for the short term senatorship. Congressman Lewis among other things said:

"Now President-elect Wilson is soundly in earnest in his program of constructive democracy. The Democrats of Maryland voted for him solidly and apparently desire that he should have support to carry out his progressive program.

"In order that he be able to do this effectively I think most of these Democrats will agree that men of his type—that is, men who have proved themselves in legislative work and accomplishment to be of his progressive temperament and purpose and typify his policies—should be selected in the party situation in which we find ourselves.

"If then, the progressive Democracy of Maryland wishes to keep in touch with the movement in the nation led by Mr. Wilson, and at the same time advance and sustain the movement at home, it is up to it to keep open an unobstructed avenue of approach to the national administration through which the President may extend his 'aid and counsel.' The people of Maryland need no explanation of the force and meaning of 'Senatorial courtesy.' In these circumstances some one should be selected to lead the fight in Maryland who in his public service typifies the cause itself."

IT MAKES no difference with whom Senator John Walter Smith forms a combination, or how much money he puts in the campaign, he can never win the senatorial election if the people of Maryland who believe in Democratic government, and in the protection of their welfare, do their duty. Senator Smith can never convince the people of the State that he is sincerely in accord with Gov. Wilson's policies by voting "straight" in the next session of Congress. It is not what Smith does in the session of Congress during his campaign for re-election, it is what he did during all those past years in the Senate when he stood hand and glove with Aldrich and Penrose and Lorimer in their struggle to fasten the chain of extreme protection around the necks of a suffering people. In the light of his past record, Senator Smith will prove himself a hypocrit to support President Wilson's policies during the next session of Congress, because everybody will know that he is doing so simply to win his seat in the Senate, and after that good-bye to Senator Smith's support of President Wilson's policies. There is just about as much sympathy between President-elect Wilson and Senator John Walter Smith, of Maryland, as there is between Gov. Wilson and Senator Jim Smith, of New Jersey. Smith, of Maryland, and Smith of New Jersey, are one and the same Smith when their record in the Senate is concerned, and the people will not be fooled by pretended sympathy with Gov. Wilson's policies.

Why don't other Eastern Shore papers whose editors know that Senator Smith has been a servant of self and the big interests against the people, throw off their shackles of Smithism and come out squarely on the side of the people who after all are the mainstay of the papers through their patronage and support?

IT HAS been learned during the week that former Sheriff Andrew Medders has told several people during the past week that he is a candidate for sheriff in the next primaries. Another Organization candidate whose name has been frequently mentioned during the past week is William Clayton, at present road supervisor in the Fifth District, for the Legislature.

THE LETTER of Mr. Isaac Gibbs, Sr., which was published in the Kent News last Saturday will cost the Organization forces from 50 to 75 votes in the next primaries. When the publications of the Organization scribes come so high as that, and we may say that several others have proven very costly to them, why should the TRANSCRIPT busy itself with a reply? We endeavored to save Mr. Gibbs the mortification which the publication of his letter will undoubtedly cause him by asking him to correct the inaccuracies and incorrect statements in his letter before we published it. But he let it come out in the Kent News, and so far as we are concerned he and his son must take the consequences.

THE report of the Auditing Committee which appears in this issue contains a very interesting statement in regard to the collection of delinquent taxes by the county treasurer. It is worthy of the serious and thoughtful consideration of every tax-payer in the county. This is one of the serious 'leaks' in the county finances, and we sincerely wish that there were some less difficult and more convenient means for the treasurer to secure these taxes. Under the present law governing the collection of these taxes, the treasurer is certainly entitled to some compensation for the great amount of trouble and expense to which he is subjected. The law is impractical and should be changed. The TRANSCRIPT advocated a different method of collecting delinquent taxes during the last Legislature, and we had a bill prepared and sent to the Senate but for some reason unknown to us we have never heard anything further from it. We would certainly like to see the method of collecting delinquent taxes changed both in the interest of the treasurer and tax-payers.

ORGANIZATION PLAN OF CAMPAIGN.

A number of gentlemen were in our office the other day, among whom were several who are not wedded to either faction in politics. The conversation, as is a most unusual thing (?) in a newspaper office, drifted toward politics. The matter of what some are disposed to term "wrangling" between the two papers came up, and one of these gentlemen of non-factional affiliation made this significant remark: "The Organization is playing a sly game just at present. In the absence of any well defined issue upon which they can go before the people in the next campaign, they are putting up a gigantic bluff by which they hope to confuse the minds of the people, and they are seeking to create a condition whereby they hope to fool the people into believing that everything the TRANSCRIPT says is a falsehood and a misrepresentation. The consequence is that every time the TRANSCRIPT exposes any of the misdeeds of the Organization, or brings them to task for some of their past wrong doings, immediately the next week the Organization organ comes out with a charge in the shape of a letter from some one of their adherents that what the TRANSCRIPT said the week before is a falsehood or a misrepresentation of facts. And I must confess that there are some people who believe that the TRANSCRIPT is grossly at fault. As a consequence the impression has gotten abroad that there is a very unnecessary amount of wrangling going on between the two papers. To my mind this is not the case. It is simply an effort on the part of the Organization to create confusion in the minds of the people, in the absence of any issue upon which they can hope to secure the votes of the people in the coming primaries. They make their charges of falsehoods and misrepresentations without ever attempting to prove their charges, and I have been particularly struck during the past six months with the fact that regardless of these charges, the TRANSCRIPT has the sympathy of the people, who are not to be fooled by claptrap statements. The letter of Isaac Gibbs in last Saturday's Kent News is a glaring illustration of what the Organization is up to. When Mr. Gibbs states that there is less politics in the management of the county roads now than in his time, he says what is absolutely ridiculous, and when he berates the TRANSCRIPT for exposing the methods of working the county roads and the amount of money that was wasted on them last year, he takes a stand against the interest of every tax-payer in Kent county. I believe the TRANSCRIPT is doing the people of this county an everlasting benefit by keeping them posted upon what is going on, and the people who have the welfare of the county at heart should get behind the paper and co-operate with it in its fight for the people's interests."

This statement in substance came from a perfectly responsible gentleman, and we believe it will open the eyes of the people generally as to what the Organization is seeking to do in the campaign now about to begin. We admit that it is pretty difficult to "keep quiet" while the other fellow is calling us liars and charging us with misrepresentation of facts, when our accusers know in their hearts that we are stating facts in reference to our county affairs, and oftentimes we are compelled to defend ourselves against such attacks, and yet there are a few people who believe that we really are misstating facts, forgetting all the while that no newspaper that has any regard for its dignity and its great responsibility as a moulder of public opinion could dare afford to engage in such a practice and maintain its prestige and influence with the people. We, therefore, urge the people to beware of the plan of campaign of the Organization. It is one designed primarily to fool the people, and is designed to endeavor to convince the people that the TRANSCRIPT is unreliable and untruthful. We make this statement at the outset of the campaign now beginning in order to warn the people as to just what the Organization plan of campaign is. They are a faction without an issue upon the threshhold of a campaign that means a contest of progressive principles against reactionary and machine politics.

OUR DEATH RECORD.

WILLIAM PENN NORRIS.

William Penn Norris, a former well-known farmer residing near Lynch's, this county died suddenly of acute indigestion at his home in Baltimore, on Monday, in his 76th year. The deceased was born and raised in this county. He was the son of the late John Norris, and spent his entire residence in Kent on the farm near Lynch's station. Mr. Norris some years ago removed to Baltimore, and conceived the idea of making the Maryland biscuit as a means of livelihood. He began on a very small scale in the basement of his home on Carey street. His business grew by leaps and bounds until he was forced to seek larger quarters and engage in their sale on a much more extensive scale. At the time of his death he had a large stall in one of the city's leading markets, from which he did a big business in the sale of the Eastern Shore's famous bread. Mr. Norris, like all of his family, was a member of the Society of Friends, and he and his entire family enjoyed the esteem of a wide circle of friends here. He leaves a widow, one son, Mr. John C. Norris, and one daughter, Mrs. Aquilla Matthews, of Baltimore. Mrs. Georgia Norris, of Still Pond, and Mrs. Lizzie Norris, of Lynch, are sisters by marriage, and Messrs. Joseph and Chas. Norris, of Lynch, are nephews. Funeral services were held from his late residence, 1700 Harlem avenue, Baltimore, on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. Interment was private.

ANDREW J. TAYLOR.

The funeral of Mr. Andrew J. Taylor, who died on Thursday, January 2d, and whose death was recorded in last week's TRANSCRIPT, was held from his late residence in Locust Grove at 10 o'clock on Saturday, conducted by Rev. Mr. Clews. Interment was made in Kennedyville M. P. Church yard. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Harry and Carnelius Jarvis, Robert Hill, George Sutton, Raymond Bonwell and Thomas VanDyke. The deceased leaves a widow who was before marriage a Miss Rutter; one son, Jesse I., and one daughter, Mrs. Norman Faulkner, of Baltimore, and one grandson, Norman Taylor Faulkner. He also leaves four brothers—Messrs. Aaron Taylor, of Worton; James Taylor, of near Kennyville; John and Charles Taylor, of Queens Annes, and three sisters—Mrs. William Vansant, of Chestertown; Mrs. Barrett C. Smith, of near town, and Mrs. Harry Joiner, of Massey. Undertaker Wm. T. Hicks had charge of the funeral arrangements.

JUDGE HENRY PAGE.

Former Judge Henry Page, of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, died Tuesday morning at his home in Princess Anne. Judge Page rallied somewhat last week from the state of coma into which he lapsed, but on Sunday night he again lapsed into coma, which became deeper until his death Tuesday morning. Those of his family who were with him at the end were his wife, Mrs. Virginia Dennis Page; his sons, Dr. Henry Page, of the United States Army, stationed at Fort Moultrie, S. C., and John Page, of Princess Anne, and his daughters, Mrs. Joseph S. Wicks, of Baltimore, and Miss Anna Page, of Princess Anne. His other daughter, Mrs. Hubert A. Royster, of Raleigh, N. C., who was there last week was called back to her home at Raleigh on account of illness in her family. Judge Page's brothers are Arthur Crisfield, of the Congressional Library at Washington, and John W. Crisfield, of Pittsburg, and his sisters are Mrs. Sallie Dennis, of Beverly, Miss Mary Crisfield, of Princess Anne, and Misses Ellen and Carrie Crisfield, of Portland, Maine. Judge Page was also a close relative of former Judge James Alfred Pearce of this town.

MRS. DANIEL A. MOFFETT.

Mrs. Daniel A. Moffett, a close friend of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. W. Crew and his sister, Miss Ida, of near Lankford, died suddenly at her home in Baltimore on Thursday morning. Mrs. Moffett had been a lifelong friend of Mr. and Mrs. Crew and his sister, and was almost like one of the family. Mrs. Crew received the sad intelligence of Mrs. Moffett's death by wire Thursday morning, and she and Miss Ida left immediately for the city. Mrs. Moffett was held in the very highest esteem by all who knew her. The remains were taken to Denton for interment yesterday.

MR. JOHN M. TOULSON.

Mr. John M. Toulson died at the home of his son, Herman Toulson, in Broad Neck on Thursday. He leaves a widow and the following children—John M. and Walter F. Toulson, of Queen Annes, Herman Toulson, of Broad Neck, Mrs. Thomas H. White, Chestertown; and Mrs. Sarah E. Foraker, of Wilmington. Funeral services will be held to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock at Kesley Chapel, Rev. A. B. Dupuy officiating. C. L. Dodd undertaker in charge.

The Chestertown Water Board has laid an emergency supply pipe from the pump house to the foot of the hill on Washington avenue. This is made necessay to avoid cutting off the water supply from the entire town when a break occurs in the mains at the intersection of Washington avenue, Maple avenue and Spring avenue.

Our Merchants' Interest.

Read the attractive advertisement of Radcliffe Mills on the front page this morning. Let us tell you something. If you keep a pan of Radcliffe Mills bran before your hens all the time, and feed them on Brooks' chop and scratch feed, they can't help but lay.

The American Strawboard Mill has an advertisement on page 4 that should prove interesting to our farmers. The company is extremely anxious to operate the mill here, and its employees need the work. The company is offering $4 a load for any kind of straw, and you should read their advertisement to show what they say about the value of straw.

Read A. W. Carmine's advertisement on page 6. Mr. Carmine is offering something very attractive, in the dress goods line, and bargains in the grocery and provision departments. Carmine is very accommodating. His wagon is always at your service. Try him and see.

Davis & Satterfield have a corn sheller "talk" in this issue that should prove interesting. Their concluding chapter deals with feed mills. Read it.

C. C. Jones, the shoe man, has some January suggestions that will prove to your interest to read. See his adv. on page 5.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN.

Chestertown, Md., Jan. 9th, 1913.

MESSRS. EDITORS OF THE CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT:

DEAR SIRS:—So much has been said recently about the Road Engineer not having sufficient funds with which to do necessary work on the county roads that the response of the clerk to the County Commissioners to an inquiry as to how the work has been done and paid for, may be illiminating to the tax-payers of the county:

DEAR SIR—Your letter of the 6th received. I am below giving you the information as it appears on the books in this office as you requested.

First—You will find the amount Isaac Gibbs, Sr., has received for work done on the roads since the levy was struck in June, 1912.

Secondly—Is what Isaac Gibbs, Sr., received for work done by others and marked to his use, with the names of the parties who did the work.

Thirdly—Is what Isaac Gibbs, Jr., has had marked to his use with the names of the parties who did the work.

Isaac Gibbs, Sr., father of the Road Engineer, has received for work done $477.85

Marked to use of Isaac Gibbs, Sr., father of Road Engineer:

Harry Fowler	$ 6.95	Samuel Tibbitt	9.50
R. W. Johnson	30 00	Samuel Tibbitt	30.25
R. W. Johnson	48.20	Clayton Johnson	26.25
John Johnson	9.00	Clayton Johnson	10.50
J. D. Lucas	129 50	Thomas Quinn	73.75
John Blanchfield	36.50	L. Price	35.00
John Blanchfield	47.40		
Adolphus Davis	31.95	Total	$534.75
W. H. Burris	10.00		

Marked to use of Isaac Gibbs, Jr., Road Engineer:

Adolphus Davis	$ 56.25	Peter Stevens	83.25
Geo. T. Cosden	76.75	McClenahan Granite Co	26.50
W. W. Webb	70.80	McClenahan Granite Co	16.58
Sie Kiker	29.00		
Walter T. Pippin	59.00	Total	$469.48
Walter T. Pippin	73.90		
C. J. Conner	6.50		

SAMUEL HICKS, Clerk.

It is interesting to observe that Isaac Gibbs, Sr., the father of the engineer, whose letter appeared in last week's Kent News, has himself received, for work done on the county roads since June, 1912, the sum of $477.85. Apart from this a number of those who did the work, as indicated above, have received from Mr. Gibbs, Sr., $534.75.

The Road Engineer, apparently, from these accounts marked to his use, has advanced $469.48. It is inconceivable, of course, that one should dream for one moment that the roads since the appointment of the Road Engineer have been used for political purposes or will be in the future. Facts speak louder than denials. The common knowledge of the people all over the county is an answer to the letter of Mr. Gibbs in this respect.

It will be interesting to note what Kent county pays for its roads and bridges compared with the amounts paid by other counties whose road mileage, assessment and rate of taxation nearly correspond with Kent county's. In some counties the mileage is greater than that of Kent and in others less. In another letter I shall endeavor briefly to give the tax-payers this knowledge.

Yours very respectfully,
HOPE H. BARROLL.

FINISHING SALE

From January 1st, in addition to the 25 per cent. off we are now offering, we will cut prices 5 per cent. more, making 30 per cent. off on all departments, and from the very large stock we had to dispose of, we yet have a fair assortment in the various lines. Together with this extra 5 per cent. off, will reduce the price to consumers even below wholesale cost to manufacture.

Don't wait, but avail yourselves soon as convenient.

RESPECTFULLY,

MOODY & LUSBY,

Directly Opposite Court House.

CHESTERTOWN, MD.

MARION T. MILLER'S OFFER

TO ALL, PREPARATORY TO STOCK-TAKING.

In order to reduce our stock for stock-taking, during the next two weeks, commencing Saturday, January 4th, and continuing until Saturday, January 18th, I will give, actually give away goods as follows:

TO ALL CASH CUSTOMERS

buying Dry Goods, Hosiery, Spool Cotton, Rubber Boots and Shoes amounting to Ten Dollars, I will give you your choice of any dollar article in our store, or goods amounting to one dollar, or, if you buy only one dollar's worth of these goods, we will give you a 10c article.

TO ALL CASH CUSTOMERS

buying all other goods in the Notion line (not mentioned above) also Boots, Shoes, all kinds Clothing and Fancy China and Glassware amounting to Ten Dollars, we will give you your choice of any Two Dollar Article in our store, or Two Dollar's worth of goods, or for every Dollar spent in these goods we will give you an extra twenty cents worth of goods.

TO ALL CASH CUSTOMERS

buying Toys to the amount of One Dollar we will give them, extra, Twenty-five Cents Worth of Toys.

We will also have a Job Counter with some Net Cash Bargains on it marked way down.

All are cordially invited to come and take advantage of our liberal offer, and help Miller to take stock. Wishing all success in every good thing for the coming year, I am

Yours very truly,
MARION T. MILLER,
ROCK HALL, MD.

GREETING!

To Our Customers:

Our best wishes for a New Year of Prosperity and Happiness. We also wish to thank them for a generous patronage during the past year, and beg to serve them for another year.

TO ALL OTHERS:

We extend a most cordial invitation to visit our store and inspect our lines of Clothing and Shoes from time to time, and make this your resolution: See what "the Men's Store" offers before I buy elsewhere. Get acquainted—start the new year properly and make this your dealing place in men's wear.

A Question Answered.

We have heard it said: "That firm must have felt the three consecutive sales." Correct. But our sales during the year 1912 show an increase of nearly 300 per cent. How is it accounted for? The matchlass quality of our goods; our desire and endeavor always to please and satisfy, and the low prices that always prevail. The buyers of this section are beginning to realize what advantages are offered by dealing at the "Men's Store." That's why our business is growing by leaps and bounds. Get in touch this year with the most up-to-date lines ever shown in Chestertown.

A very substantial reduction in Clothing, Overcoats and Shoes will be announced in issue of Jan. 20th. Watch closely.

BORDLEY & SONS,

CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND.

TOYS!

Santa Claus has a separate room for his TOYS here this year.

Look Our Line Over Before Assortment is Broken.

FULL LINE OF

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Yours very truly,

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has a full and complete line of fresh Christmas Confections, Nuts, Fruits, etc. He is prepared to attend to all orders promptly. Give him a call.

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