

S. MARY'S BEACON

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LEONARDTOWN, MD. THURSDAY MORNING, MAR. 20, 1919.

The opening of the lobby, parlor and some of the sleeping rooms at Hotel St. Mary's while Court is in session this week has already proved a great convenience, and this has been especially so as regards the comfort of lady visitors to the county seat. It looked good to see them sitting in a circle in front of the open fire in the lobby or grouped in the parlor and on the big veranda, and had permission to open the doors been obtained earlier so that the fact might have been advertised, their numbers would have been greatly augmented. It would be difficult to estimate the number of men who came to Court without their wives or daughters because the closing of the hotel had deprived them of the facilities for proper accommodation.

While the hotel has only been opened under a temporary agreement with Mr. W. Bernard Duke, the owner, pending the organization of the County Club, it would seem a pity to close it up again, when a little co-operation on the part of the people would keep it open. That it is badly needed is admitted by practically every one. This modern building, commodious and well-equipped, should be the social centre of the county, the gathering place for people from every section, whether their mission to the county seat is one of business or pleasure, or both. It could be made all of this and more if it is controlled by a county-wide organization and administered by a competent Board of Directors.

The club idea is the only one worthy consideration, and it has been adopted after careful consideration and much discussion. A stock company is adaptable only to a strictly business proposition and it must have some assurance of dividend-paying possibilities. A club is not expected to pay dividends; it fully justifies its existence when it renders the service for which it is organized, and there is no doubt that this hotel, operated through the agency of a good, strong club that includes in its membership the representative people of the county, can give to St. Mary's countians and to the visiting public the service, accommodation and modern conveniences that have been so sadly missed during the past fall and winter.

The hotel is partly open, the public rooms are right now available for use and some of the sleeping rooms are ready for occupancy.

This much has been gained by the club movement. The only logical thing to do is to hold what we have—keep it open as it is now until a competent man can be secured to resume the dining room service. This can be done by completing the work of organizing the club. With the building open and lodging facilities furnished the chances to secure the right man to take charge of the meal service will be greatly increased. In the meantime the club quarters can be fitted up and the revenue from rent of sleeping rooms, considering the conveniences that go with them, should at least defray the cost of this partial operation.

Ex-President Taft speaks for those who opposed the prohibition amendment because they doubted whether "prohibition would prohibit" in the large cities and because they objected to imperiling the stability of the Union by vesting in the national government so much police power over matters "normally parochial." He declares it to be the duty of all good citizens now "to urge and vote for all reasonable and practical legislative measures by Congress adopted to secure the enforcement of the amendment." Opponents of the amendment should "unite with the advocates of prohibition to enforce the law," that the country may enjoy the full benefits of the new law if it succeeds, and that a clear case for repeal may be made if its fails.

New Advertisements

Wanted Man or woman for good selling proposition, to open branch in this county. Apply W. A. WHEELER, Hotel Lawrence, Leonardtown, Md.

For Sale. My two farms at Cedar Point, 8th District—1.177 acres and 1.30 acres. Liberal terms. H. Norman Millburn, Person, Md.

For State's Attorney.

I have the honor to announce my candidacy for the office of State's Attorney for St. Mary's County, subject to the decision of the Democratic Primary.

Respectfully,
A. F. KING,
March 20, 1919. Leonardtown, Md.

Notice! I will have an auction sale of my entire stock of Merchandise. Also the following property:

1 Horse, 1 Wagon, 1 Buggy, 3 Saddle Horses, 1 Cow, 1 Gasoline Storage Tank.
SALE STARTS SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 10 A. M.

If raining on that day, will begin Monday, the 7th, at same hour.
D. GLAZER,
RIVER SPRINGS, MD.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ST. MARY'S AT LEONARDTOWN, IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON MARCH 4, 1919.

Assets	Liabilities
Loans and discounts (except those shown on bond) \$80,550.98	Capital stock paid in \$25,000.00
Overdrafts, unsecured 2.56	Surplus fund 5,000.00
U. S. Bonds (other than Liberty Bonds, but including U. S. certificates of indebtedness) 820,260.00	Undivided profits 2,994.00
LIBERTY LOAN BONDS: Liberty Loan Bonds, 3%, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, unpledged 30,900.00	Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid 1,418.57
Payments actually made on Liberty 4 1/2 per cent bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan owned 30,900.00	Certified checks outstanding 200.15
BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC. (Other than U. S. Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged 61,892.39	Cashier's checks outstanding 11.20
Total bonds, securities, etc., other than U. S. Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent of subscription) 3,000.00	Total of items 23, 33, 34 and 35 211.35
Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered 3,000.00	DEMAND DEPOSITS (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):
Equity in banking house 2,352.51	Individual deposits subject to check 76,077.81
Furniture and fixtures 9,243.85	Total demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to Reserve, items 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41 76,077.81
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks 28,864.99	Other time deposits 118,830.79
Net amount due from banks, bankers, and trust companies other than included in items 13, 14, and 15 6,238.24	Total 824,598.52
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting banks and other cash items 1,200.00	State of Maryland, County of Charles, ss:
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer 187.00	I, E. M. ANDERSON, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Total 824,598.52	E. M. ANDERSON, Cashier.
LIABILITIES:	Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, 1919.
Capital stock paid in 25,000.00	P. STANLEY EARLSON, Notary Public.
Surplus fund 5,000.00	CORRECT—Attest:
Undivided profits 2,994.00	G. C. PEPPERLEY, C. D. SASSCER, JESSE TURNER, Directors.
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid 1,418.57	
Certified checks outstanding 200.15	
Cashier's checks outstanding 11.20	
Total of items 23, 33, 34 and 35 211.35	
DEMAND DEPOSITS (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
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Total 824,598.52	

No. 9429. Reserve District No. 5.

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE National Bank of Mechanicsville At Mechanicsville, in the State of Maryland, at the Close of Business on March 4, 1919.

RESOURCES:

Loans and discounts, including rediscunts, (except those shown on bond) \$80,550.98	\$ 80,550.98
Overdrafts, unsecured 2.56	2.56
U. S. Bonds (other than Liberty Bonds, but including U. S. certificates of indebtedness) 820,260.00	820,260.00
LIBERTY LOAN BONDS: Liberty Loan Bonds, 3%, 4, and 4 1/2 per cent, unpledged 30,900.00	30,900.00
Payments actually made on Liberty 4 1/2 per cent bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan owned 30,900.00	30,900.00
BONDS, SECURITIES, ETC. (Other than U. S. Securities other than U. S. bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged 61,892.39	61,892.39
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Value of banking house, owned and unincumbered 3,000.00	3,000.00
Equity in banking house 2,352.51	2,352.51
Furniture and fixtures 9,243.85	9,243.85
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks 28,864.99	28,864.99
Net amount due from banks, bankers, and trust companies other than included in items 13, 14, and 15 6,238.24	6,238.24
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting banks and other cash items 1,200.00	1,200.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer 187.00	187.00
Total 824,598.52	824,598.52

LIABILITIES:

Capital stock paid in 25,000.00	25,000.00
Surplus fund 5,000.00	5,000.00
Undivided profits 2,994.00	2,994.00
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid 1,418.57	1,418.57
Certified checks outstanding 200.15	200.15
Cashier's checks outstanding 11.20	11.20
Total of items 23, 33, 34 and 35 211.35	211.35
DEMAND DEPOSITS (other than bank deposits) subject to reserve (deposits payable within 30 days):	
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Other time deposits 118,830.79	118,830.79
Total 824,598.52	824,598.52

State of Maryland, County of Charles, ss:
I, E. M. Anderson, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
E. M. ANDERSON, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, 1919.
P. STANLEY EARLSON, Notary Public.
CORRECT—Attest:
G. C. PEPPERLEY,
C. D. SASSCER,
JESSE TURNER,
Directors.

Swift's Fertilizers
RED STEER BRAND
ARE
Well-Balanced, Thoroughly Cured and Drill Freely.
FORMULAS FOR ALL SOUTHERN MARYLAND CROPS.
SPECIAL FORMULAS FOR DARK TOBACCO (Potash from Wuriate)
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AGENTS WANTED IN SOUTHERN MARYLAND
BEST GOODS BEST SERVICE BEST SATISFIED CUSTOMERS
WRITE US FOR FREE TOBACCO BOOKLET
FACTORY SWIFT & COMPANY
CURTIS BAY, MD. Fertilizer Works STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING, - BALTIMORE, MD

MIDDLE STATES OIL CORPORATION
New York Office 347 Madison Avenue
Officers and Directors
President, HON. C. N. HASKELL, Ex-Governor of Oklahoma
Treasurer, J. C. STEVENS
Secretary, L. E. HASKELL
General Superintendent, W. N. PATTERSON
W. L. WALKER, J. HASKELL, I. G. NIBLACK
Property Earnings and Income
FIRST SIX-MONTH PERIOD. Five Additional Wells Now Drilling
March, 1917, to September, 1917 - \$90,568.18
Average per month - \$4,481.85
Daily average - 114.67
SECOND SIX-MONTH PERIOD.
September, 1917, to March, 1918 - \$7,998.94
Average per month - \$6,218.87
Daily average - 207.91
THIRD SIX-MONTH PERIOD
March, 1918, to September, 1918 - \$79,089.89
Average per month - \$13,181.65
Daily average - 408.14
The Board of Directors ordered a distribution of stock, amounting to 20 per cent, to be distributed as follows:
4 per cent August 1st, 1918.
8 per cent Nov. 1st, 1918.
8 per cent Feb. 1st, 1919.
It is expected that an additional stock distribution will be made at AN EARLY DATE.

Cash Dividends: The corporation increased its dividend basis to 1 per cent monthly on January 1st, 1918, and has regularly paid this dividend since. In addition, a stock dividend of 20 per cent has been declared, payable in November, 1918, 8 per cent; February, 1919, 8 per cent. For particulars, as to offerings of this stock, address:
HAROLD WALTON,
Room 1205, 347 Madison Ave., New York City
or Leonardtown Postoffice, Md.

A Dash - of Chocolate
Your Nose Knows
All foods are flavored to make them palatable. All smoking tobaccos are treated with some flavoring for the same reason. But there is a big difference in the Quality and kind of tobacco flavorings. Tuxedo, the finest of properly aged burley tobacco, uses the purest, most wholesome and delicious of all flavorings—chocolate! That is why "Your Nose Knows" Tuxedo from all other tobaccos—by its delicious pure fragrance.
Try This Test: Rub a little Tuxedo briskly in the palm of your hand to bring out its fragrance. Then smell it deep—its delicious, pure fragrance will convince you. Try any test with any other tobacco and we will let Tuxedo stand on its own judgment.
"Your Nose Knows"
Tuxedo
The Perfect Tobacco for Pipe and Cigarette
Guaranteed by The American Tobacco Co. INCORPORATED
GUARANTEED TO SATISFY OR YOUR MONEY BACK

Scotland Motor Line
TWO TRIPS DAILY AND-SUNDAY.
Service Starts March 5, 1919.
Leave Scotland 6 a. m. arrive Leonardtown 7.15 a. m.
Leave Leonardtown 10.50 arrive Scotland 12.20 M.
Leave Scotland 2.30 p. m. arrive Leonardtown 4 p. m.
Leave Leonardtown 7.15 p. m. arrive Scotland 8.45 p. m.
—VIA—
Scotland, Ridge, St. Inigoes St. Mary's City, Park Hall, Great Mills, Red Gate, Leonardtown.
Fare, Single Trip, Either Way, \$1.00
To stop off or to get on at above points, prices cut accordingly.
This time table shows the time you may be expected to arrive and depart, but arrival and departure at the time stated is not guaranteed and the company will not be responsible for delays beyond its control.
T. A. Ridgell

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Start Young
It pays to form a sound banking connection while you are young. We are glad to receive accounts from boys and girls, and to assist them in building up their savings.
When you have accumulated a sufficient amount, we will gladly advise you regarding safe investments that will yield a good rate of interest. The service of the First National is then of lifetime value.
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Of all times you want to buy your clothes this season in a safe store—a store you can rely upon for your money's worth. For fifty-one years Saks and Company has served the people—always to their fullest satisfaction—with what they have bought, and the price paid for it. So we will today!
This Special
Men's Plain and Fancy Suits—fall weights and fall models—in YOUNG MEN'S styles—or the more conservative effects—excellently well made.
\$13.75
"On the Economy Floor."
Bring the boys along—we've some special values in Suits and Reefers for them—
Everything Men and Boys wear—Clothes, Hats, Shoes, Furnishings.

FOR TREASURER. Citizens of the Third, Sixth and Eighth Districts would be glad to see Mr. JOSEPH I. GOUGH the next Treasurer of St. Mary's County, and should be content to become a candidate, would give him their hearty support.
FOR TREASURER. I desire to announce to my friends that I am a candidate for the nomination for the office of County Treasurer subject to the action of the Democratic party.
FOR SALE Purebred Rhode Island Red Eggs, setting, \$1.50. Purebred Brown Leghorn Eggs, setting, \$1.00. Apply to ADAM T. WIBLE, Abell, Md.