

SAINT MARY'S BEACON

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IMPORTANT MEETING

The meeting of the Tobacco Growers' Association called for Saturday, Dec. 3rd at the Court House, Leonardtown, at 1.30 p. m., is of vital importance to the farmers of St. Mary's. It is by the attendance and interest at this meeting that the future policy of the association is shaped. Success is largely a matter of management and every member of the Association is urged to be present and assist in selecting the very best possible Board of Directors and other officials. Another matter of special interest to be discussed at this meeting will be the organization of the State Agricultural Corporation, a purchasing bureau that will effect a big saving in the supplies that the farmers have to buy—a plan that has been tried elsewhere with entire satisfaction. With the price of farm products below the cost of production the one hope for the farmer seems to be in a reduction of the cost price of farm supplies. Co-operative buying has already resulted in many farmers saving 30 per cent in buying their wheat fertilizer. These benefits can only be obtained by intelligent organization and in the meantime the welfare of this county hangs in the balance. Every farmer should attend this meeting.

OWNERS CAN GET 1922 TAGS NOW

MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSIONER BAUGHMAN SENDS OUT APPLICATIONS TO AVOID CONGESTION.
Applications Being Mailed Out At Rate Of 20,000 Daily During This Month.

To obviate if possible the congestion which in past years has swamped the office, multiplied the chance for error, and caused delay to the motorist and confusion in the office, Motor Vehicle Commissioner E. Austin Baughman started on Monday of this week the machinery for registering and licensing nearly 150,000 motor vehicles owned in Maryland. Every car must be registered and receive license tags for 1922. Where the motorist cooperates with the Commissioner's office and takes advantage of the early start, registration and actual issuance of the license tags will begin on Thursday, December 1st.

The new 1922 license tags will be blue and white and in sharp contrast to the old ones. The numerals in white will be on a dark blue background. In order that the mails and the office channels may not become clogged either with the outgoing application blanks or when these are mailed in after being filled in by the applicant and to forestall as much as possible congestion when the registration certificate and the metal tags are sent out, the application blanks will be released each day until November 28th in blocks of 20,000 daily.

Last year great confusion was caused and much delay resulted through many of the applicants, when they received their blanks, tearing off and retaining the registration coupon. This coupon is useless until it has been returned to the office of Commissioner Baughman and the application stamped upon it the number of the metal license tag for that particular car.

Deputy Automobile Commissioner Schroeder this week pointed out that the applicant must do with the application blanks before returning them.

First, sign the application, second, insert the number of the operator's chauffeur's license card, and third, insert the name of the anti-glare headlight device with which the car is equipped. This information must be written in ink and the application be returned to the office of the Commissioner with the required fee.

"This department would like to impress as firmly as possible upon car owners the saving in time and inconvenience to themselves as well as to this office which will result in immediate mailing of their application blanks. This should be done immediately rather than waiting until the time the applicant would ordinarily have to apply for tags. Co-operation now will save the rush in the last week of the year. This will save the applicant from having to delay several days into the new year before being able to use his or her car," said Mr. Schroeder.

Mr. Schroeder added that if the instructions are carried out properly and no errors have been made and the proper fee enclosed, the new license plates and the next year's registration card will be mailed out the same day it is received beginning on December 1st. This will give every motorist the entire month of December in which to adjust any errors or mistakes which may have been made in the original application.

It was pointed out by Mr. Schroeder that the habit of a great number of motorists of postponing their application for license until after Christmas day results in an accumulation of such a rush of work as is physically impossible for the clerical force at the office of the Commissioner to handle. This, even when the force works day and night, as it has had to do for several years past, results in congestion and delays for the applicant. Such a rush also multiplies the chance for errors which it takes further time to straighten out.

IMPROVED ROADS

PROPER WIDTH OF HIGHWAYS

Eighteen Feet Should Be the Minimum, Not the Maximum on Main Traveled Roads.

Though all the years we have been trying to maintain from forty to sixty-foot roads in a large percentage of our public highways when such a width was wholly unnecessary. The road sides have not been cared for because they were waste land and this lack of care has made them spreaders of weed seed and hay fever. A narrow roadway, well kept, would in most cases serve all the purposes required, drainage and safety, says the Successful Farmer.

Now that the roads are to be hard surfaced the tendency is to go to the other extreme in order to save taxes for paving. We must look ahead. If we put down a paving that will last fifteen or twenty years, we must estimate if possible the amount and kind of traffic it will bear at that time.



Putting the Finishing Touches on Hard Surface Road.

If the road is dangerously narrow now, as is the case where less than eighteen feet is paved, what will it be in twenty years?

Eighteen feet should be the minimum, not the maximum, and on main traveled roads a greater width will seem narrow in twenty years. In England and France the roads are paved clear to the fences or sides of the highways, unless a curb and sidewalk or bicycle path is maintained between the road and fence. Every foot kept in good condition. Good drainage is as much a part of the European highways as is the case with our city paved streets.

We are at the beginning of motor transport. Unless we look ahead and provide wider pavements, we will find the highways crowded and our possible relief from railway congestion annulled. A few dollars saved now in narrowing our paved highways will prove a short sighted policy.

We have already seen the folly of constructing our canals too narrow and locks too short. The great lakes boats needed in Atlantic transport during the war had to be cut in two and taken through the canals in pieces. Ocean ships can't reach interior ports until the canals and locks are enlarged. This is a highway lesson to us. Look to the future.

ROAD LEGISLATION OPPOSED

Engineers, Dairy Farmers, Fruit and Vegetable Growers Making Vigorous Protests.

All industry and a great portion of the agricultural interests of the country are up in arms against the hasty and ill-considered legislation already enacted by a few states and pending in others which threatens to strangle one of the nation's most essential industries, motor truck transportation, says a writer in an exchange.

The protests come from highway engineers, dairy farmers, fruit and vegetable growers, grain belt shippers, all lines of industry and commerce and other operators of motor trucks and their patrons.

They say increased license fees and restrictive legislation have been effected without sufficient investigation and without conclusive evidence.

A sensible solution is being worked out by the state of Illinois. The state highway department has under construction an experimental road containing 64 test sections, each section differing from the others in design.

Building in South.

A stretch of hard-surfaced road in the southern states, twenty-five miles in length, was difficult to be found six years ago, whereas at present there are any number of hard-surfaced roads from twenty-five to 100 miles in length.

Acquire Road Trees.

The state highway commission in California has the authority to acquire roadside trees along its highways.

Construction in India.

Highway construction is now making important and extensive strides in various cities in India.

Traffic to the Right.

Vehicular traffic on highways in France keeps to the right, while railway traffic keeps to the left.

Wives and Children of Presidents.

Of the wives of Presidents of the United States six have no children—Mrs. Washington, Mrs. Madison, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Polk, the second Mrs. Fillmore, and the present Mrs. Wilson. The largest families were those of Harrison and Mrs. William Henry Harrison, who had ten children, and President and Mrs. Hayes, who had eight. President John Tyler had 14 children, seven by each of his two wives.

Law and Order Is Shield of Business and Is Its Only Security

By H. M. DAUGHERTY, U. S. Attorney General.



Because of 100 years of practically uncontrolled freedom of conduct, large corporations and aggregations of persons and capital have resented the interference of laws regulating them in the interest of the people as a whole. This has been a mistaken attitude. Law and order is the shield of business and its only security. The attitude of contempt for law, resulting in an effort to evade and violate it, is suicidal to business, for it removes its only support. Business should see that its security lies in obedience to law, that the whole doctrine of private property depends upon law; that law violation is contagious, and therefore that all other classes of society can adopt toward property and the persons who own it the same methods and the same attitude.

Unscrupulous business methods in violation of law, an attitude that the power of wealth lifts its owners above the law so that they can defy it with impunity, arouse a spirit of resentment in society. A prejudice is created not only against immediate acts of law violation, but also against its very existence and lawful operations.

The attitude at times of big business, that it is above the law, has also stimulated the spirit in the public that lawlessness must be met by lawlessness; that one unlawful act by an element of society must be challenged and met by another unlawful act. This, of course, breeds a growing disrespect for law. These acts of lawlessness are contagious, so that the law violator all along the line thinks that he is only following the example set for him by those agencies of business that were strong enough and well enough entrenched to violate the law with impunity. The hold-up man is the counterpart of the profitter. The lawlessness of labor is the counterpart of the lawlessness of capital. The lawless employee is always an apt pupil of a lawless employer.

"Above All the Political Chaos in Germany the American Flag"

By MRS. BORDEN HARRIMAN, in New York Herald.

Above all the political chaos in Germany the American flag floats above Coblenz, on the medieval fortress of Ehrenbreitstein. As it stands out against the blue sky over those massed cliff-like walls it gives a most wonderful impression of youth and power—"with malice toward none, with charity to all, with firmness in the right as God-gives us to see the right."

Verily the world does move. Under that New World emblem flying above the ancient Old World symbol of grim fear and force and hatred there is being enacted what may go down in history as an epoch-making drama—the American occupation.

Here in the busy little town of Coblenz the streets are full of stalwart, ruddy-faced American boys—13,000 there are in the area. And because of the kindness and consideration of these soldier boys to the native children the parents have become tolerant and even friendly to the Americans.

This army and the spirit of its administration form the keystone that is holding the whole fabric of the occupation together by trying to prove that idealism and altruism are, after all, the most practical things in the world as applied to human affairs.

Comparatively Few Families Have Lost Their Only Breadwinners

By J. J. DAVIS, U. S. Secretary of Labor.

The statement has been constantly made in the news and in the editorial columns of the newspapers that the Department of Labor has reported 5,735,000 men as being out of work. The Department of Labor has reported no such thing. It did report that, according to the best estimate that could be made, there are 5,735,000 fewer men, women and children on the payrolls than there were in March, 1920. There was a difference with distinction. It was very different from saying there were 5,735,000 men unemployed.

Nothing is to be gained by sticking our heads in the sand and ignoring the gravity of the present unemployment situation. Neither do we profit by distorting the facts and exaggerating the figures estimated. Here is one salient fact to be kept in mind—probably not more than a third of these 5,735,000 are the principal breadwinners of the family.

Taking all the families of the United States, there are, on the average, over two breadwinners to every family. While unemployment today is a grave matter, there are nevertheless about 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 of our people at work. And comparatively few families have had the only breadwinners put out of a job.

School Teachers the Most Persistent Borrowers in the Sucker State

By A. P. SNITE, Ill. Industrial Licensed Lenders' Ass'n.

School teachers are the most persistent borrowers in Illinois. Landladies, traveling salesmen, machinists, switchmen, stenographers and nurses are next on the list after school teachers. The undertaking business must be pretty good, however, as of 70,000 loans made last year in the state, only one was an undertaking.

We have loaned money to buy pigs with, to keep away the sheriff, to buy cows, elastic stockings, saw mills and automobiles. Others borrow at 3 per cent to hold grain for better market prices, and some send money to Europe.

One loan was made to a wax figure repair man, others to an optician, a soloist and a tentmaker. Many times the explanation by the prospective borrower is simple. "Funeral expenses. Baby died."

Coal, winter clothes, stoves, bedding and such necessities of life are responsible for most of the negotiations. Following these come illness, doctors' and dentists' bills and unexpected misfortune. Most of it arises from the need of borrowing from Peter to pay Paul. Others want to take advantage of bargains. A neighbor is leaving the city and has a photograph for sale.

Sports in Old English Park.

Evelyn and Peppy mentis—the horse and foot races that frequently took place in Hyde park. Peppy records how he went with "Mr. Moor and Mr. Cress to Hyde park, by coach, and saw a fine foot race three times round the park, between an Irishman and a Crow, that was once my Lord Claydon's footman." This was followed by a horse race, and in the interval the humble spectators partook of "milk of a red cow," and the quality slipped stillabub with sick in it. The ladies wandered scarlet stockings and Spanish scented gloves on their favorite steeds.

The Art of Life.

The art of life is to keep step with the celestial orchestra that beats the cue for our exits and our entrances. Why should we willingly miss anything, or be angry with folly, or in despair at any misadventure? In this world there should be none but gentle tears and fluttering tip-toe loves. It is a great carnival, and amongst these lights and shadows of comedy, these roses and vicca of the playhouse, there is no abiding—G. Santayana, in the Dial.

Effects of Sun Spots.

Magnetic storms manifest themselves by their effect on electrical apparatus and are visible as the aurora borealis. Because such storms frequently coincide with sun spots, it is believed that the atmosphere of the earth is in some way ionized by the sun. The sun spots are believed to shoot huge charges into space as a shotgun discharges shot. When the earth gets into the path of such a bombardment we have auroral displays and other magnetic disturbances.—Youth's Companion.

ATTRACTIONS NEXT WEEK IN WASHINGTON

GLORIA SWANSON IN UNDER THE LASH AT MOORE'S RIALTO

Gloria Swanson's picture, "Under the Lash," which opens a week's engagement at Moore's Rialto Theatre, Sunday, should prove an exciting dramatic production. It is a drama of human emotions and a most unusual story is presented by a group of interesting character portraits.

THE ROSE GIRL AT POLIS
"The Rose Girl," which comes to Polis Monday night, is that classic melodrama put forth last season by the Moore, Shubert, and the Imperial theatres. This play marked the beginning of the success of putting out the message and now comes to Polis Monday night. It was easily the peak success of the New England burlesque.

GAYETY BURLESQUE
The attraction of the Gayety next week will be "The Marks," with a cast of London Belles.

Prior to an Extended Concert Tour
Miss ELSA RANER
THE AMERICAN VIOLINIST
Will be available for a limited number of concert and recital engagements. Terms and open dates can be obtained from—
GUY A. QUAND, Manager
1206 G St. N.W., Washington, D. C.

GAYETY 9th STREET BELOW F
Beginning Sunday and All Week
ROSE SYDELL
Presents
JOE MARKS
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TOWN PESTS

THIS HERE CUTTING A PATH ACROSS MY YARD HAS GOT TO BE OUT OF MY GET ME?



The Cut-Across pest thinks your Yard is a Public thoroughfare and the Grass is Just Placed there to make Soft Walking, only after he Cuts Across for a While and gets Others to do the Same, the Grass disappears and you have a Nice Path through the Grass.

New Advertisements

Regular Monthly Dance

ST. JAMES' HALL

Tuesday, Dec. 6th

REFRESHMENTS.

SPECIAL MUSIC.

Admission, 25c.

PUBLIC SALE

Thursday, December 15

At "GREEN HILL," near Leonardtown, at 10 o'clock.

2 Horses,

2 Cows of Steers,

1 Tobacco Planter,

200 Carts,

Household Goods.

JOSEPH A. LONG,

Leonardtown, Md.

DANCE

Saturday, December 17

at Leonard Hall

Benefit of Leonardtown Athletic Association.

An Exclusive Affair.

KARL BERRYMAN'S ORCHESTRA.

DANCE

Community Hall

Cedar Point

Friday, December 9

BERRYMAN'S ORCHESTRA

Nothing equals

SAPOLIO

for scouring and polishing cutlery.

Makes all metalware look like new

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MOORE'S RIALTO THEATRE
SUN. 2.30 P. M. ALL WEEK 11 A. M.—11 P. M.

PARAMOUNT PICTURES PRESENT
GLORIA SWANSON
"UNDER THE LASH"
AS ADAPTED FROM THE WIDELY READ NOVEL AND GREAT STAGE SUCCESS "THE WILDMATE"
ORCHESTRA SUBSIDIARIES

POLI'S MONDAY 8:20
Mats. Thurs. and Sat. 2:20
SHUBERT ATTRACTIONS
First presentation in Washington—THE MERRY-MELODIOUS-MAGNIFICENT Musical Comedy from the Ambassador Theatre, New York

Anselm Goetel Production Direction Messrs Shubert
The ROSE-GIRL

Book and Lyrics by Wm. Cary Duncan and Louis Simon—Musical Score by Dr. Anselm Goetel (Authors of "The Royal Vagabond")
FRED HILLEBRAND
AND A CHORUS OF ANGEL FACED DEBUTANTES WITH VELVET VOICES AND TWINKLING TOES
GORGEOUS COSTUMING
Mats. Thurs. and Sat.—Eves. 8:20 to 12:30 Sat. 2:20 to 12:40 Sat.—Popular Mats. Thurs. 5:10, 7:10, 9:10

ENOUGH TO GIVE EVERY PERSON EIGHTY DOLLARS

Nation Has Eight Billion Circulating—Not Hard For Each One To Get His Full Share Of Coin.

The total amount of money in the United States a recent inventory showed to be \$8,022,773,866. How much of it has you to your credit? This amounts to about \$80 for every human being in the United States. Have you your \$80? If you have not, it is easy to get. Save it! You can get 100 times \$80 if you save.

But there is only one way to save it. That is to lay down a fixed rule to save a certain amount each week or each month out of your pay check or income. As you save it, invest it, looking first to the safety of the principal and, secondly, to the interest return.

Invest it in United States Liberty Bonds or in Government Savings Securities, such as 45 War Savings Stamps, and Treasury Savings Certificates in denominations of \$25, \$100 and \$1,000. These Stamps and Certificates pay 4 per cent interest, compounded quarterly. They are guaranteed to give you the full amount of the United States to increase in value from month to month and are not subject to market fluctuations.

You always know exactly what a War Savings Stamp or a Treasury Savings Certificate is worth and you can always sell it back, when necessary, to the government at that guaranteed price. Remember somebody is saving the money you waste. Why not do it yourself? Your postmaster sells Government Savings Securities. Ask him about them.

THRIFT CATECHISM

What is wealth? It is anything of value that is the means of getting food, shelter, convenience and luxury.

What is capital? It is wealth not consumed by its owner, but saved for future use.

What is money? Any medium of trade through which one kind of form of wealth may be exchanged for another. Money employed in business or industry is active capital.

What is credit? Credit is a promise to furnish money or other property on the security of pledged wealth.

What is an investor? A person whose chief consideration is income return. A wise investor is one who considers safety, earning power and easy redemption without loss, before putting his money into any property or security.

Knowledge Brings Love. Knowledge of a thing engenders love of it; the more exact the knowledge, the more fervent the love.—Leonardo da Vinci.

Starting Signals. Professional sprinters start out on the report of a pistol, but the rest of us begin our sprint when we hear a motor horn.

But she hadn't the heart to go against

Final Tax Notice!

Notice is hereby given that all persons who have not paid their 1918 and 1919 Taxes must come forward and settle same on or before December 20th, 1921, otherwise I shall be compelled to advertise and sell the property on which these taxes are due.
JOSEPH C. WIBLE,
County Treasurer, 1918-19.

Notice to Creditors.

Orphans' Court of St. Mary's County, Md.—November 22, 1921.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court for St. Mary's County, letters testamentary on the estate of

JAMES TURNER,

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers therefor, to the subscriber on or before the 22d day of May, 1922; they may otherwise be excluded from all benefit of said estate. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

JAS. G. TURNER,
Executor.

Selling Out Below Cost

Beginning December 1

I will sell my entire stock of GENERAL MERCHANDISE at a sacrifice

I have for sale a fair line of Dress Goods, Shoes and Boots for men, women and children—Men's Wares, such as Shirts, Caps, Sweaters, Pants and Underwear; Cooking Utensils, Hardware, Drugs, Automobile Accessories and a fine assortment of Xmas Confectionaries.

Will also sell my 1-ton Ford Truck, one Gasoline Tank (complete with hose, pump and measuring gauge—300 gallon capacity) and one combination Pool and Billiard Table.

TERMS OF ALL SALES—CASH.

I take this opportunity to request that any of my customers who have open accounts at my store will make a settlement in full at once.

Elliott E. Dent

Phone 60F12 OAKLEY, MD.

Important Notice

There will be a meeting of all members of the Maryland Tobacco Growers' Association at 1.30 on

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3RD,

at Leonardtown, Md., for the purpose of electing three delegates to meet in Baltimore, at the offices of the Maryland Tobacco Growers' Association, on Tuesday, December 6th, at 10.30 a. m. to elect directors for the ensuing year.

MARYLAND TOBACCO GROWERS' ASSOCIATION.

For Sale

Buick Light Six Touring Car,

1917 Model D45.

Price, \$500 Cash.

Tire equipment includes:

3 Royal Coats, one of which has gone less than 800 miles; the remaining two about 3,000 miles.

1 Vacuum Cup Car.

1 spare fairs; Goodrich, in excellent condition.

1 extra spare, good for emergency use.

Extras: Spotlight, skid chains, spare rim.

This car is four years old and looks like it is subject to all the ailments of motor age, but it is not an old wreck covered up with new paint to look like a thousand dollars.

It has recently had a NEW WEST-INGHOUSE BATTERY, NEW TRANSMISSION, NEW DRIVE SHAFT, NEW RING GEAR and PISTON, NEW PISTON RINGS and NEW TOP.

The tire equipment alone is worth \$200.

Demonstration by appointment.

C. W. WHITMORE,

St. Mary's City, Md.

FOR SALE

Irish Potatoes, \$1.50 per bu. on farm.

Corn, \$3.00 per barrel.

J. H. CHUBBLES,

Susquehanna Plantations, Pearson, Md.

Trespass Notice

All persons are hereby warned not to trespass with dog, gun or in any other manner on the following properties: "Bachelors' Hope," "Part Nolety Hall" and "Chicahominy,"

TRUMAN C. SLINGLUFF.

FOR SALE

—1918 Ford, A-1 shape, \$250.

25 ft. Platy, 11 H. R. Bridgeport Motor, equipped.

1 Buggy, good condition, nearly new, \$50.

1 Harrow-tooth Cultivator, \$3.

1 Sleigh and pair Buggy Shafts.

Some Household Furniture.

Going to city.

F. A. McWILLIAMS,

11-17-21.

LOST

Lost on my Leonardtown bus Sept. 3, 1921, suitcase, the property of Miss Ida Tracy with dog, gun or in any other manner on the following properties: "Bachelors' Hope," "Part Nolety Hall" and "Chicahominy,"