

BUCKINGHAM EXCITED OVER DISCOVERY OF OIL

High-Grade Petroleum Is Said to Have Been Found by West Virginia Prospectors.

EXACT LOCATION KEPT SECRET

Land Agents and Promoters Are Taking Options on Territory Throughout County, and Many Investors Are Putting in Appearance.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ARVONIA, Va., March 13.—Buckingham County is under stress of great excitement over the alleged discovery of petroleum. This discovery was recently made by West Virginians, who bored for the product, and are said to have found a grade petroleum fully equal to that of the West Virginia and Pennsylvania fields.

The exact place where the oil was discovered is still being kept a secret, though land agents and promoters are going everywhere throughout this section taking options on all the lands. Investors and promoters are coming in large numbers, and settlements are high. To-day a number of capitalists left their homes for Italy and the oil fields, traveling in automobiles. It is understood that a company has been formed or will be formed to take in hand all the oil properties in this section.

Samples of the product which has been produced have been privately exhibited, and the oil is said to be of the highest quality.

Boring will be done in various sections of the county as soon as the machinery can be placed on the grounds. The general opinion here is that much money will change hands within the next few months.

While the exact spot where the oil was discovered is being kept a secret, it is said by the promoters to be within twenty miles of this place. From all indications, those who have the matter in charge seem confident that the oil that will cause a gigantic awakening and developing of all this section of the State—hence the immediate closing of options and the wild excitement in real estate.

Newcomers, who are natives of Pennsylvania and West Virginia, have long maintained that this section of Buckingham County was full of oil, as the surface has all indications that are known in the great oil-producing sections.

With the great slate fields, the ten or fifteen gold prospects and the many copper propositions in this section, it is thought that shortly a tremendous development of the county will be made by Northern and Western capitalists.

H. M. White, the founder of the town of Dulles, and still prominently identified with the industries of the county and the development of Buckingham County, is said to be heading the oil development scheme. A number of wealthy West Virginians are said to be joined with him in the matter.

EDUCATORS OF SOUTHWEST CLOSE SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE

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EAST RADFORD, Va., March 13.—The three days' session of the Sixth and Ninth District joint educational conference came to a close to-night and 150 educators from the State, as well as from other parts of the State, are traveling home from what was pronounced a highly successful gathering.

While here State Superintendent Pearce held a meeting of the school superintendents of the Southwest, and decided upon holding a summer school at Abingdon.

At the primary conference this morning Dr. F. M. Millidge, of the State Normal at Farmville, made the subject of "The Community" a talk on the war, of which he is a student. At the general meeting in the morning, "Statewide compulsory education" was discussed and the subject of "The Community" was discussed. Principal D. K. McQuilken, president of the conference, and Superintendent E. B. Fitzpatrick, Superintendent W. H. Fuzate and Principal J. A. C. Hurt were the speakers. Principal McQuilken, of Marion, and W. J. Adams, of Roanoke, talked on "Compulsory Education." At the afternoon general conference W. C. McClarty, field secretary in the Southwest, the field M. C. A., told of his work.

VICTORIA HAS ADVANTAGE IN COURTHOUSE SITE

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 13.—The county of Lynchburg is engaged in a red-hot fight over a proposition to move the county seat from Lynchburg to Victoria, a station on the Virginia Railway about three miles from the present county seat. The fight will culminate in a special election to be held March 29. Owing to the fact that the voters of Victoria district have their ballots paid up and the rest of the county has not largely finished, it is believed Victoria will win the election. The opponents of the change will have a big rally at the courthouse on Monday, and a strong effort will be made to defeat the effort of the people of Victoria.

USUAL SUMMER SCHOOL WILL BE HELD AT DUBLIN

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., March 13.—The fourth summer school of William and Mary College will open at Dublin, Va., on June 22. Dr. James South Wilson has been elected director of the school. Dr. J. C. Calhoun, of the faculty, will teach French and German. Dr. Van P. Gage, chemistry. Professor W. H. Keeble, mathematics. Professor G. O. Ferguson, now at Columbia, will have charge of the course in education, and Dr. Wilson will teach English. The summer school faculty will be recruited from outside sources this year on account of several members of the William and Mary faculty declining to go to Dublin, and the Director is in correspondence with a number of competent men to fill the vacancies.

DR. CARY GRAYSON WILL DELIVER LECTURE ADDRESS

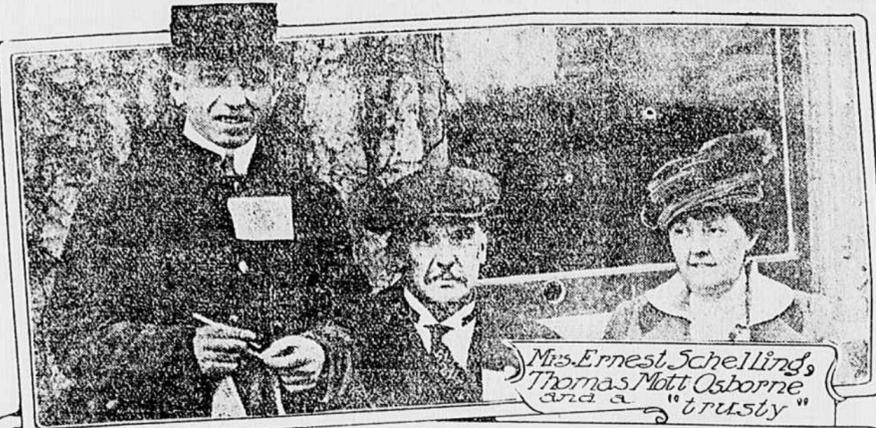
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WILLIAMSBURG, Va., March 13.—Dr. Cary Grayson, Dr. Grayson, of the University of Virginia, has accepted the invitation to deliver the annual address before the Alumni Association at the commencement next June.

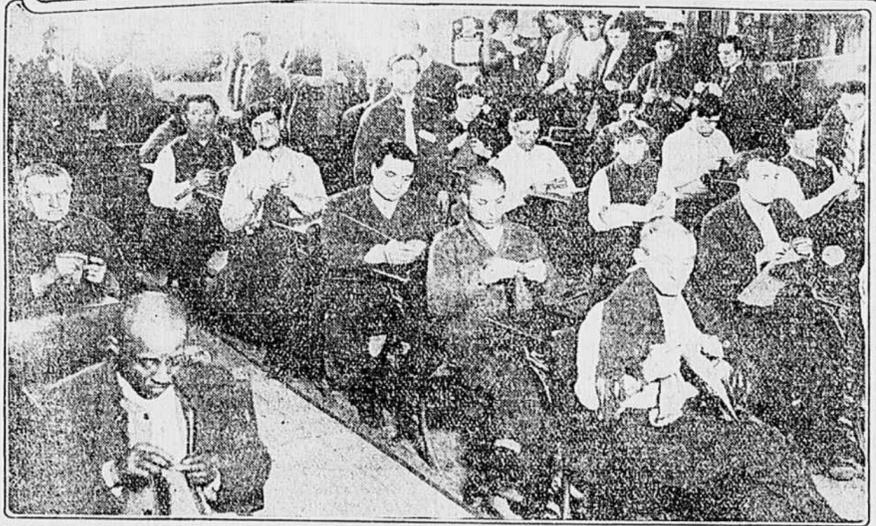
CURED HIS RUPTURE

I was badly ruptured while doing a hard job several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was by an operation, and I was told no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no loss of time, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will give full information about my cure. You will find a complete cure without operation. Write to me at once. My name is M. J. Hester, 266-A MacArthur Avenue, Montgomery, N. C. Hester cut out this notice and send it to my editor, who will capture the name of a man who is at least stop the misery of a rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.

SING SING PRISONERS KNIT FOR POLES AND THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR NEW SPIRIT



Mrs. Ernest Schelling, Thomas Mott Osborne and a "trusty"



The Sing Sing Knitting Class

Upper picture shows from left to right: One of the "trusties" who has become a knitting instructor, Warden Thomas Mott Osborne and Mrs. Ernest Schelling, who is responsible for the knitting classes for the convicts.

Lower picture shows knitting class composed of prisoners, growing out of the new spirit at New York State's prison at Ossining. It is a spirit of co-operation, a spirit of sympathy for other unfortunates, a spirit that makes the prisoners forget they are criminals. Thomas Mott Osborne, Sing Sing's new warden, wants to keep his men "human." It is his sincere belief that a criminal can be reformed only by humane treatment, and not by harsh repressive measures, and for this reason he deals with his men not as enemies to society, but rather as victims of their environment. And when Osborne died recently at the home of the master pianist, Ernest Schelling, Mrs. Schelling was knitting for the Poles. As she knitted Mr. Osborne became interested. She showed him how. They were talking of the warden's trials and troubles, how to keep the men occupied between the hours of shop and sleep being his greatest worry. It occurred to him, "if he could learn to knit, why could not his charges occupy themselves when they wanted by knitting for the war-worn people?" A plan was formulated. Mrs. Schelling came up to Sing Sing, the plan was explained to the convicts and a class of 200 volunteers was organized. Guards have gradually been dispensed with, the men are allowed greater freedom and very efficient in handling the needles have been appointed as instructors, and these alone take charge of the great number of convicts who have joined the knitting class.

LYNCHBURG'S WEALTHIEST MAN TAKES BRIDE

Philip A. Krise, Eighty-Two Years Old, Weds Miss Maudie Johnson, Teacher in Randolph-Macon.

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 13.—A wedding of great interest locally was celebrated here this evening when Miss Maudie Johnson, formerly of Clinton, N. C., was married to Philip A. Krise, a local capitalist. The bride was an instructor in art at the Randolph-Macon Woman's College. Mr. Krise is eighty-two years old and reputed to be Lynchburg's wealthiest citizen. The marriage took place at his home, Dr. J. N. Latham, of Court Street Methodist Church officiating. They went for a trip to New York.

SLOSS-SHEFFIELD.

Just Why Dividend Was Passed Is Pretty Fully Explained in Letters.

BERMINGHAM, Ala., March 13.—The Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company has deferred action on the 14 per cent quarterly dividend usually declared at this time.

On December 12, 1914, the Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 14 per cent on the preferred stock, but declared it in scrip, payable on January 1, 1915, with interest at 8 per cent. On Friday of this week the directors passed the dividend.

At the time of the declaration of the scrip the directors issued a long statement, the gist of which was that business was bad, and it was the opinion of the board to extend payment a year ahead. The same reason holds for the passing of the dividend usually payable April 1.

The company has paid 7 per cent on its preferred stock since 1901, but has paid no common dividends since 1910.

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NO ADDITIONAL CASES FOUND BY INSPECTORS

Foot-and-Mouth Disease Epidemic in Frederick County Under Control.

VIGILANCE IS NOT RELAXED

Work of Inspecting Farm Is Almost Completed, but Shotgun Quarantine Still Is Maintained About Dairy Herds.

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WINCHESTER, Va., March 13.—The representatives of the Federal and State governments who are in charge of the campaign against the foot-and-mouth disease among cattle in Frederick County, have had no additional cases reported to them, but reports continue to come in from various sections of the county that cows, hogs, and sheep on some farms seem to be infected with some unusual malady. All of these reports have been promptly investigated by the agents of the Bureau of Animal Industry, and those of the State Veterinarian's office, but no foot-and-mouth infection has been reported, save on the farms of John W. Larrick, Jr., Rosser Campbell and E. M. Miller, and all of their cattle have been slaughtered and buried. The work of inspecting all the Frederick County farms has been practically completed by the inspectors from Washington and Richmond, and the Larrick, Campbell and Miller farms are being disinfected and made thoroughly sanitary before other cattle or hogs are permitted to be taken on either of the farms to replace those that had the disease.

Although the outbreak appears to be under control, the inspectors are maintaining a rigid quarantine in all sections of Frederick County, and the people generally are co-operating in every possible way to stamp out the disease completely. When Dr. Willis, of the State Veterinarian's office, ordered all public sales called off or postponed indefinitely, few if any complaints were heard. Scores of farmers are still maintaining a shotgun quarantine on their premises, and those who own valuable dairy herds have taken extra precautions to keep trespassers and roving dogs away from the live stock. Graham E. Blandy, of New York, who has one of the most valuable herds of Hereford cattle in Virginia on his farm, the Taleysies, near Boyce, Clarke County, is having his vast estate guarded day and night by armed men. No infection has been discovered in that county, but Mr. Blandy and others who have spent much money and time in improving live stock, have decided to run no risks. With more money available as a result of an emergency appropriation made by the

General Assembly, the authorities are of the opinion that better progress will be made from now on in stamping out the infection, and that the quarantine can be raised in a much shorter time.

The quarantine has been raised already in Hampshire County, W. Va., and the situation continues to improve in Berkeley County, where the disease was first discovered less than three weeks ago. Several agents of the Bureau of Animal Industry at Washington who are on duty in Berkeley County, W. Va., where the foot-and-mouth disease broke out recently during a public sale held on the Pelker farm, have been on the hunt up and down the line of the Cumberland Valley Railroad between Martinsburg and Harrisburg this week in determined efforts to locate two steer hides that are said to have been taken off diseased cattle after they had been killed. The hides were thrown into a lot of others that had been prepared for shipment, and when last heard from the inspectors were prosecuting their search in Harpersburg, Pa. People who refuse to comply with the provisions of the quarantine regulations, it is announced, will not be allowed one cent of compensation, or damage, if the inspectors find it necessary to kill any of their live stock that may be found diseased.

MANY TEACHERS WILL ATTEND CONVENTION

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FREDERICKSBURG, Va., March 13.—It is expected that the First District Teachers' Convention, which will open its session in Russell Hall at the Fredericksburg State Normal School on Thursday evening, March 25, and continue for two days, will be largely attended. All of the arrangements have been completed for the sessions. The steamer Commodore Maury will bring up from eighty to 120 teachers from along the Rappahannock Valley, and others from all over the district are expected. A number of teachers will be entertained at the normal school, and others will be entertained in the private homes in Fredericksburg. Prof-

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