

FAVORS POE SHAFT

President Roosevelt Lauds Monument Association.

POET ONE OF COUNTRY'S BEST

In Letter to Richmond Man Chief Executive Records His Admiration of America's Great Literary Genius—Richmond to Give \$5,000 to the Proposed Monument.

Special to The Washington Herald. Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Charles Marshall Graves, of this city, who has made a life study of Edgar Allan Poe, and who has been instrumental in the matter of the proposed monument in this city to the memory of the great genius, is to-day in receipt of the following communication from President Roosevelt, commending the undertaking:

My Dear Mr. Graves: I earnestly wish you success in your efforts to secure a monument to Edgar Allan Poe. Many people consider him the greatest literary genius this country has ever produced. He certainly stands among the three or four greatest. I heartily wish you well in your endeavor to raise a memorial to such a man. Sincerely yours,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT. Col. Joseph E. Willard, former lieutenant governor of Virginia, and reputed to be the richest man in the South, is president of the Monument Association. The councils of the city of Richmond are about to appropriate \$5,000 toward the undertaking on the understanding that another \$5,000 is to be raised on the outside.

WOMAN DEAD; NEPHEW JAILED

Special to The Washington Herald. Winchester, Va., Dec. 8.—Sophie Taper, an aged and respected woman, of Stephen City, this county, was found in her home last night with her head battered and her skull fractured, barely alive. The crime was committed with an ax. She cannot recover.

John Curry, colored, residing in Winchester, was taken into custody on suspicion and later lodged in jail without bail, pending a further hearing next Saturday. Curry is known to have visited the home of the woman, who is his aunt, yesterday.

The motive for the crime is a mystery, for a sum of money the old woman had secreted in her house was found intact.

FIRE INTO ELECTRIC COACH.

Special to The Washington Herald. Second Time Some Misanthrope Has Endangered Life Near Norfolk.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 8.—The Newport News express of the Norfolk and Atlantic Terminal Company was fired upon near the Norfolk and Western bridge, the bullet shattering a glass window, fragments of glass seriously cutting a negro woman and the baby she held in her arms. An effort was made to locate the perpetrators without success. During the summer season one of the Newport News and Old Point express cars out of Norfolk was fired upon in the same manner.

Keep Marriage Secret Many Months.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 8.—Miss Grace Phillips, daughter of Thompson Phillips, a wealthy oysterman, of Warwick County, and John Logan, a mechanic at the ship yard, have announced their marriage, which took place last April in Elizabeth City, N. C. The couple had not lived together, and had kept their marriage from the bride's parents.

Buyers Trace of Limestone Land.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 8.—The largest single transaction in real estate ever made in Berkeley County was completed here to-day, when the American Lime and Stone Company purchased a tract of 465 acres of limestone and shale land from H. H. Rutherford, of this city, paying \$120,000.

Shot in Quarrel Over "Moonshine."

Elkins, W. Va., Dec. 8.—Elijah Arbogast was shot and killed by Stanton Lambert last night in a quarrel over a quantity of "moonshine" of their own manufacture. A previous dispute had been settled with an agreement not to open the keg. Arbogast violated his pledge by inviting a number of friends to join him.

Miss Cain Dies of Consumption.

Winchester, Va., Dec. 8.—Miss Annie Elizabeth Cain, daughter of the late Joshua Cain, died in this city to-day of consumption, aged twenty-eight years. Surviving her are her mother and one brother, James Cain.

Liquor Dealer Is Fined.

Winchester, Va., Dec. 8.—Edward Spillman, a liquor dealer, was fined \$50 to-day by Judge Wilson for selling liquor to Arthur Shortz, a minor.

James B. Ager Is Dead.

Special to The Washington Herald. Hyattsville, Md., Dec. 8.—James B. Ager, master of the Maryland State Grange, died late last night at his residence near Chillum, Prince George County, after an illness of several months, of heart trouble. He was seventy-three years of age, and was born in Massachusetts. Mr. Ager was recently elected for the fourth term master of the Maryland State Grange, and was in Denver, Colo., about three weeks ago attending a meeting of the National Grange. Three children, two daughters and one son, Mr. Charles B. Ager, survive him.

Three Sentenced to Penitentiary.

Special to The Washington Herald. Hagerstown, Md., Dec. 8.—The criminal docket of the present term of court was concluded to-day, and Judge M. L. Keedy imposed sentences upon thirteen prisoners who had been convicted of various crimes.

Three of them were sentenced to the penitentiary—George Peters, of Philadelphia, for eighteen months, for pocket-picking; Norman Johnson, for one year, for larceny; and Oliver Paden, for eighteen months, for stealing chickens.

Middy Symington on Leave.

Special to The Washington Herald. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 8.—Midshipman Alexander Symington, of the Naval Academy, who has been granted two weeks' sick leave, following a recent operation for appendicitis, left to-day for his home in Baltimore. Young Symington is a son of W. Stewart Symington, of Baltimore, with whom he will spend his leave.

Assumes Command of Ingalls.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 8.—Capt. Albert Pennington returned to-day from Washington with a commission as master of the army transport Ingalls, which is being overhauled here. He was recently relieved of command of the transport Sumner.

Visit the Washington Dairy Co.'s Booth at the Food Show. Beautiful pictures free to every purchaser of Butterine.

TEACHERS TALK ON SCHOOLS.

Montgomery County Association Meetings Largely Attended.

Special to The Washington Herald. Rockville, Md., Dec. 8.—The Montgomery County Teachers' Association held an instructive session here to-day in the court hall. About 100 teachers answered the roll call.

Miss Ella V. Ricker, formerly of the State Normal School, Baltimore, but now of the Rockville High School, delivered a lecture on "What position should the teacher occupy socially?" and the discussion of this subject engaged the attention of Misses Anna L. Waters, Benlah A. Dove, Emma H. Hughes, Libble B. Magruder, and Trueman H. Ayd.

Col. J. F. Cummins spoke for some time on the extent teachers should encourage athletics and physical exercises. Misses Alvina L. Dulaney, Sallie Fontaine, Alice E. Hepburn, Sarah J. Williams, and Mr. Ritchie E. Haney entered into a general discussion of his theme.

President George H. Lamar, of the county school board, talked upon the subject "Agriculture in the public schools." Prof. E. M. Noble, superintendent of the public schools of Caroline County, Md., encouraged the teachers to greater effort in their chosen work.

William A. Baker, Miss Ida P. Stabler, Miss Nora J. Rabbit, Miss Clara B. Demuth, Miss Lillian Chaney, and Mrs. Blanche B. Cramer discussed "How can the teacher be more fully aroused?"

UNWRITTEN LAW HIS DEFENSE

Thomas Lam on Trial for Killing His Wife's Cousin.

Special to The Washington Herald. Harrisonburg, Va., Dec. 8.—In the Circuit Court of Rockingham, Thomas Lam, on trial for the murder of Frank P. Hensley last month, his wife's cousin, has invoked the unwritten law in his defense.

The case has been on trial since last Tuesday, and will probably not end until the middle of next week. Nearly a hundred witnesses have been summoned for both sides, and the defense only opened their case to-day, when the accused was indicted on the charge of murder.

The execution will be conducted by Sheriff William H. Palmer, assisted by Deputy Sheriff Edward Field. The scaffold, which is placed at the southwest corner of the courthouse, has been completed. It is inclosed by a board fence sixteen feet high. Only about a dozen people, including county officials and two or three physicians, will witness the hanging. Thomas still protests his innocence. He was convicted of criminal assault.

Daughters of America Name Officers.

Mount Vernon Chapter, Daughters of America, has elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Mrs. S. Ticer, counselor; Mrs. Annie Davis, assistant counselor; Mrs. Annie Shinn, vice counselor; Miss Mattie Turner, assistant vice counselor; Spencer Forester, recording secretary; Mrs. Amy C. Welch, assistant recording secretary; Mrs. J. H. Mansfield, financial secretary; Mrs. Mary Ticer, treasurer; Miss Virginia Sheppard, inside sentinel; Miss Nora Perry, outside sentinel; and Nelson Cradlin, trustee for eighteen months.

New Hospital for Salisbury.

Special to The Washington Herald. Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 8.—W. F. Snider, cashier of the Wachovia Loan and Trust Company, has donated a site for the new hospital, and Mayor Boyden is making a personal canvass of the city in an effort to complete the endowment fund. It will be commodious and of the latest equipment.

FUNERAL OF JOHN CROPPER.

Funeral services will be held to-day at St. John's Episcopal Church. John Cropper, who was found dead in the bathroom of his residence, 172 M street, Friday morning, will be held in St. John's Episcopal Church to-day at 3 p. m. Services will be conducted by Rev. Roland Cotton Smith.

Will Bury G. B. Coleman Monday.

Funeral services will be held to-morrow at 9 a. m., over the body of Griffin B. Coleman, District superintendent of repairs, who died suddenly Friday afternoon of acute indigestion. Rev. V. F. Schmidt, rector of St. Joseph's Church, will officiate.

Train Kills Farmer.

Red Bank, N. J., Dec. 8.—John Dangler, a farmer at Tinton Falls, was killed by a Lakewood express at Shrewsbury to-night. He was driving home at the time.

INDICT SIRE AND SON

John and Harvey Robinson Accused of Robbing Cars.

UNDER BOND IN FIVE CASES

John Wright, Under Death Sentence, to File Appeal—Scotfold for His Execution Friday Completed—The Prisoner Still Protests that He is Innocent of the Crime.

WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU. (Bell Telephone 113.) Corner of Prince and Royal Streets.

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 8.—Five indictments, three for grand larceny and two for petit larceny, were returned to-day by the special grand jury against John Robinson and his son, J. Harvey Robinson, who were arrested November 15 on the charge of having in their possession a lot of miscellaneous merchandise which, it is alleged, was stolen from the cars of the Southern Railway Company.

A capias was issued for the arrest of each defendant, and at 1 o'clock this afternoon the Robinsons appeared in court, and their cases were set for trial on the first day of the January term. The son gave bond in the sum of \$2,000, W. T. Penn and Mrs. E. M. Simms assisting surety for him, and the father, it is stated, will furnish bond on Monday. It is stated that those who became surety for him before are to-day out of the city.

John Wright to Appeal.

It is stated that an application will be made in a few days to the State Court of Appeals for a writ of error and supersedeas in the case of Joseph Thomas, alias John Wright, colored, who is under sentence to be hanged in Alexandria County next Friday between the hours of 6 a. m. and 12 noon.

The time allowed by the court for the filing of a bill of exceptions will expire Monday. The record of the case, a voluminous document, has been completed for presentation to the higher court.

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Elk Grove Butter advertisement featuring a logo with a deer and the text 'Elk Grove Creamery', 'FINEST PASTEURIZED ELGIN BUTTER', and 'The Purest, Richest, and Best of Creamery Products.' It also lists 'PURITY AND QUALITY' and 'MAGNIFICENT ART PICTURE FREE TO CONSUMERS OF ELK GROVE BUTTER.' Three subjects are listed: 'The Willows,' 'Through Autumn Woods,' and 'Breakers Off Nahant.' It includes a coupon for a picture and a list of wholesalers.

CUT OFF TELEGRAPH FRANK NO PRAYERS FOR CONGRESS

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It was announced from the New York office of the Postal Telegraph Cable Company yesterday by President Clarence H. Mackay that that company will absolutely discontinue its free list and stop the issuance of franks after midnight of the 31st day of December, 1906.

The board of directors, it is stated, has passed the following resolution: "Resolved, That owing to changed conditions it has been found necessary to stop all free transmission of messages, and this company will absolutely discontinue its free list on and after January 1, 1907, and no free service whatsoever will be performed. Outstanding franks will be honored to and including December 31, 1906."

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Lieut. Commander Rodney Is Worried Over Omissions.

Inserts an Advertisement in Papers Asking Why Episcopal Churches Do Not Use the Collect.

Lieut. Commander Robert Burton Rodney, retired, U. S. N., is anxious to be informed why the Episcopal clergy of this city do not pray for Congress.

In order to insure a reply to his query, the commander deemed it wise to insert the following advertisement in the columns of local papers yesterday:

While the prayer for Congress when in annual session is one of the very finest collects in the Book of Common Prayer, and which there is every possible reason for its use, hardly any of the Episcopal clergy in the District offer it in church service. How justify this lapse? R. B. Rodney, U. S. N.

Commander Rodney neglects to state his position clearly. He fails to say whether he means that Congress this year is in a particularly bad shape and needs all other prayerful assistance outside the regular daily invocations of the Chaplains of the House and Senate, or whether the spirit of patriotism in the Episcopal Churches of this city is on the wane.

The Rev. Dr. Clement Brown, rector of the pro-Cathedral Church of the Ascension, said last night, when seen in regard to the matter, that so far as his church was concerned, the prayer was offered regularly. He said he did not know whether or not it was used in other churches of the Episcopal denomination.

Robert Burton Rodney is a paymaster in the United States navy, retired in 1871, after having seen actual sea service for nearly ten years, with the rank of lieutenant commander. He could not be located, having recently moved from his residence, 1717 T street northwest, without leaving his present address.

Man and Woman Slain.

Garayville, La., Dec. 8.—The bodies of Seymour Taylor and Clara White were found side by side to-day, at the Woman's Home. They had been murdered while they slept. It is believed that jealousy prompted the crime.

Remington Typewriter advertisement featuring an image of a typewriter and the text 'Have You Seen Our New Store? 1340 New York Avenue.' It includes a testimonial: 'Remington Typewriter Sales Last Year Were Great. But Our Business for the First Three Quarters of 1906 Exceeds That of the Entire Year 1905.' It also lists 'Typewriters come and typewriters go, But the Remington runs on forever.' and 'Remington Typewriter Company 1340 New York Avenue.'

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The following pallbearers will serve:

Blair Lee, John Reed Scott, Gen. O. H. Ernst, Arthur Brice, Findley French, of Baltimore; Commander Spencer S. Wood, U. S. N., and Gen. George L. Gillespie.

Wounds Brother with Rat Rifle.

Cumberland, Md., Dec. 8.—While Richard Coulehan, the fourteen-year-old son of a prominent merchant here, was loading a cat and rat rifle, it was prematurely discharged, wounding his brother, James, so seriously that he is not expected to live.

Admiral Anderson's Funeral To-day.

Annapolis, Md., Dec. 8.—The remains of Rear Admiral Peter C. Anderson, U. S. N., retired, who died in Brooklyn, N. Y., a few days ago, will be brought to Annapolis to-morrow and interred in the Naval Cemetery with military honors.

Will Build a Race Track.

Special to The Washington Herald. Salisbury, N. C., Dec. 8.—A tract of fifty acres in the suburb of Belmont has been purchased, and will be made into a fair grounds, with one of the finest race tracks in the Southeastern States. There will be a spur of the Western North Carolina Railway and also a trolley line built to the gates. It is expected to have the track ready for races next fall.

Herald Want Ads

will be received at McNulty's Clear Store, Fourteenth and P sts. n.w., and promptly forwarded to the main office.

"Send for a Bottle"

SILVERBROOK RYE WHISKEY 75c a quart 40c a pint

You Can't Beat It for the Money. California Wines, Port, Sherry, and Catawba wines, 11.00 a gallon and up, or 35 cts. a quart and up.

EUGENE SCHWAB, 525 8th St. S. E.

Seek Eight-hour Law Violators.

Portsmouth, N. H., Dec. 8.—United States Marshal Nute, of the division of New Hampshire, to-day visited the new yard and summoned several employees to appear at Concord on December 11 and give testimony before United States District Attorney Hamblitt in regard to violation of the eight-hour law by contractors doing government work at the yard.

To-Kalon Wine Co. advertisement featuring the text 'The Season of Good Cheer' and 'Special Christmas Case 12 Quarts Choicest To-Kalon Products... \$4.98'. It lists various wines: 1 Whiskey, 1 Brandy, 1 Champagne, 1 Port, 1 Sherry, 1 Tokay, 1 Catawba, 1 Muscatel, 1 Angelica, 1 Madeira, 1 Claret, 1 Sauterne. It also includes 'Packed for shipment if desired.' and 'To-Kalon Wine Co. 614 FOURTEENTH ST. N. W. PHONE MAIN 999.'

Potomac Electric Power Company advertisement featuring the text 'Electric Light That Turns Down.' and 'Hylo electric turn-down lamps are among the most recent developments in connection with the use of Electric Lighting service.' It lists 'Prices: Turn Bulb or Pull String Lamps, 45c each. Lamps with Extension Switch... 90c each.' and 'Lamps renewed for customers of this company at a nominal cost.' It also includes 'Potomac Electric Power Company Contract Dept., 213 14th St. N.W.'

I SAW YOUR AD IN THE HERALD