

NEWS OF ALEXANDRIA

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ANNUAL GAS REPORT IS MADE

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WASHINGTON HERALD BUREAU, 15 South Royal Street.

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ELECTION OFFICERS NAMED.

Appointments Made for Democratic Primary in Montgomery County.

Special to The Washington Herald. Rockville, Md., June 22.—The board of supervisors of elections met here to-day and appointed judges and clerks to conduct the Democratic primary elections soon to be held, as follows:

Lastonville district—Z. M. Waters, Jr., Joseph T. Alton, and Alton, judges; Joseph C. Christopher and Thomas Stabler, clerks. Calverton—Walter V. Burdette, Clayton Hoyle, and William E. Kurr, judges; Robert L. Hekerson and Tilden Hunch, clerks. Poolesville—F. W. White, C. V. Morrison, and E. Wilkerson, judges; Lewis A. Albright and Robert Chisler, clerks. Rockville—First precinct: Washington D. Waters, Charles W. Fields, and Clifford H. Robertson, judges; Callie Mae Mann and John J. Hagler, Jr., clerks. Second precinct: Clarin Hicks, Winifred E. Berry, and Hiram Grady, judges; James F. McPherson, J. W. Welch, clerks. Columbia—Parham P. Brian, John Bonifant, and Robert Althaus, judges; George B. McCreey and Robert C. H. Jones, clerks. Darmonestown—Julian Griffith, James N. Beaton, and Charles G. De Plet, judges; Thomas D. Starbuck and J. H. Richter, clerks. Bethesda—Walter V. Magruder, William P. Darby and Robert Wilson, judges; Mort Combs and John R. Johnson, clerks. Glenview—First precinct: Francis Snowden, Calvin Brady, and Edward C. Henderson, judges; C. M. Mackall and E. Bentley Thomas, clerks. Second precinct: Francis P. Dwyer, William P. Jones, and Walter Casbell, judges; Laurson Riggs and John H. Janney, clerks. Gaithersburg—Appointments deferred. Gaithersburg—Higgins, Nathan Saunders, and George B. Bell, judges; Samuel Case, Jr., and Harrison Myers, clerks. Gaithersburg—Lloyd L. Jones, Claget C. Hilton, and William L. Hoyle, judges; Frank Pearce and S. H. McAfee, clerks. Gaithersburg—Richard H. Stanley, Rufus K. King, and James B. Hawkins, judges; A. W. Souder and Dwyer Burdette, clerks. Wheatridge: G. O. B. Chesel, Ira Jones, and J. H. Beall, judges; E. A. Norris and William P. Cline, judges; Howard E. Glover, J. R. Pender, C. Ray, and Hugh O'Donnell, clerks.

Upper Marlboro, Md., June 22.—The Democratic central committee for Prince George County, State Senator William B. Claggett, chairman, met to-day and fixed Saturday, July 24, as the date for the holding of primaries in the seventeen election districts in the county. The convention to nominate delegates to the State and judicial convention will be held Thursday, July 29, in Upper Marlboro. The committee will give formal notice of the primaries next Tuesday.

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ROMANCE OF REAL ESTATE

By FREDERIC J. HASKIN.

The national associations of real estate men meet in Detroit to-day for the consideration of problems which confront the dealer in Mother Earth. One of these is that of how to sell. One might conclude, after reading the advertisements which appear every day in this paper, that the problem had been solved. But the real estate man wants still further to improve. He is after business, and the more he gets the more he wants.

So he has gone to Detroit to undergo a careful introspection in order that he may discover just where and what are his shortcomings. The sale of property on the installment plan will be carefully considered, as will the hundred and one other questions which relate to the successful management of real estate business.

Uncle Sam is a pretty nifty owner of real estate. In fact, his holdings of real estate are greater in value than the entire wealth of any other nation. When the Census Bureau experts took stock of his real holdings in 1905, they found their aggregate value to be more than \$2,000,000,000. That is approximately equal to the aggregate wealth of John Bull. It is more than the total wealth of France, and greater than that of Germany. It is nearly double the total wealth of Russia, and equal to that of all the rest of Europe taken together. If a ratio of growth of realty values has been as great since 1904 as it was from 1900 to 1904, the forthcoming census will place the total value in 1910 at something like \$2,000,000,000. The same ratio would make the total wealth of the nation at that time about \$10,000,000,000.

Four dollars a square inch stands as the world's record price for real estate. It was made in New York a few years ago, when a plot of ground in Wall street sold for \$600 a square foot.

The principal cities of the United States show remarkable growth of assessed land values in the two-year period of 1906-8. New York leads with an increase amounting to \$88,308,541. Chicago comes next with an increase amounting to \$26,647,720. Other cities follow in the order named: Pittsburgh, having increased her area from twenty-nine square miles to about forty square miles, \$24,820,219; Philadelphia, \$12,327,700; Baltimore, \$65,325,585; Boston, \$10,432,900; Detroit, \$23,658,250; Buffalo, \$21,577,235. It is claimed that no foreign city in the world shows such rapid increase in land values as is shown by some in the foregoing list.

It was long thought that the skyscraper got the drop on the little building by its side, injuring its value, as it was over-towered. But real estate men know the opposite to be true. The menace of the little building being replaced by a skyscraper is always present in the mind of the skyscraper owner, and usually the two will pool interests and acquire the one which he gets ready to sell. In some instances where there are two high buildings to be erected on either side of a low one, the capitalists financing the two will pool interests and acquire the low structure, holding it in perpetuity to prevent the erection of a high building on its site. It is said that there are many instances where the raising of a little building adjacent to a skyscraper has led to the erection of a tall building thereon would serve to cut down the earning capacity of the skyscraper at least a third, owing to the cutting off of light and air.

New York, of course, affords the best example of the growth of realty values, and in that particular leads the world. The recent probating of the will of Mary G. Pinkney in that city is a shining instance of the fortunes that have been made there. In 1826 the price paid for the John Delaney farm was at the rate of \$1.62 per city block. To-day it is worth \$750,000 per block. The Pinkney estate, only a remaining portion of that farm, was valued at \$10,000,000. John Jacob Astor had a partner when he started into the real estate business. The partner bought land down close to the battery and over again, buying ahead of the march of progress and selling in its wake. Each made his millions, but Astor made ten million where his partner made one million.

The purchase of land for the establishment of parks is regarded by some as an unwise expenditure of public funds. But entirely aside from the incalculable benefits derived from the creation of these breathing places, parks represent good investments. Central Park, New York, cost the city, together with the improvements put on it, \$15,000,000. Yet realty men say that if the city should decide to close out its holdings, it could realize \$20,000,000 could be realized therefrom. In every other city of the country the same principle obtains.

Sometimes the spirit of speculation changes the entire trend of a city's growth. Nowhere else in the world is this better exemplified than in Washington. There is no section of the National Capitol more admirably situated for residential purposes than Capitol Hill. The

Capitol was made to front in that direction. The Goddess of Liberty was to face that way, and the founders of the city thought the trend of growth would be in that direction. But the speculator got possession of the land there, and it was at that time that seemed such fabulous prices that the tide of growth was forced back into the less desirable directions.

The railroads have been among the greatest factors in the development of real estate values in the United States. When the first railroad was built in America the extent of the continental territory was of the United States two-thirds of what it is at present, and although billions of dollars' worth of natural resources have been taken off the earth and out of its bosom since then, that part of the United States is now worth more than sixteen times as much as it was then, seventy-five years ago.

A fair estimate of what a railroad means to a community may be reached in another way. Suppose a new line of road is built into an undeveloped section of country, and that the resulting enhancement of land values amounts to only \$10 per acre for five miles on either side of the road. On that basis every mile of railroad built would result in an increase of \$60,000 in real estate values. Compare this with the cost of the average mile of railroad in the United States and Canada, and it will be found that even on this basis a community gets a direct benefit equal to the cost of building a railroad through it, to say nothing of the indirect benefits conferred.

Canada realizes the extent to which railroads increase realty values, and is now adding in the building of hundreds of miles of line into undeveloped territory. She is making steel rails the advance agent of civilization, and expects to reap golden harvests of increased taxable values. She is getting thousands of the best citizens of the United States, and they are taking with them millions of dollars of wealth.

Income derived from real estate varies remarkably. In some cases it goes into the hundreds of thousands per acre, as in the skyscraper, and from that to nothing. Most cities place the net income from business property at from 4 to 7 per cent. It must be remembered, however, that this takes no account of enhancement of values, which sometimes amount to more than the net income from rents.

The average annual savings of the people of the United States amounts to something more than thirty dollars a year, as shown by the increases in wealth. More than half of this comes from the enhancement of real estate. Statisticians figure that the forthcoming census will show an increase in wealth of \$600 per capita during the present decade.

(Copyright, 1909, by Frederic J. Haskin.) To-morrow-Fight on the Fly. BROWN WILL FILED. Octogenarian Leaves Undated Document.

The will of John A. Brown, the octogenarian, the validity of whose marriage to Rachel Ann Richardson was first brought before his death is now being tried in the local courts, was filed for probate yesterday. The will is written with a pencil and provides that requests of \$1,000 each be paid to William H. Poolesville, former assistant commissioner of patents; James H. Payne, of Chicago, and William H. Appleton, of New York, former examiner of patents.

A bequest of \$1,000 is made to the family of his cousin, Nicholas Brown, of Philadelphia; a like amount to each daughter of John Brown, of Philadelphia, and \$1,000 to the children of John Dunn, of Philadelphia, and the children of Margaret Dingens, of the same place. William H. Deolittle is named as executor. The document is not dated.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. W. Collie Turner, 31, Roskoe, Va., and Annie P. Lee, 31, Martinsville, Va. Rev. J. Howard P. Lee, 31, Roskoe, Va. Rev. J. Howard P. Lee, 31, Roskoe, Va. Rev. J. Howard P. Lee, 31, Roskoe, Va.

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E. M. JEMISON, DISTRICT NO. 4, LEADS WITH 996 1/2 VOTES

But Peter White, Contestant From District No. 7, Is Within a Short Range of the Leader.

WHO WILL LEAD TO-MORROW? THE LEADERS TO-DAY ARE: E. H. Jemison, District 4, 996.170 Peter White, District 7, 967.382 Mrs. A. S. Balch, District 8, 842.202 Harry T. La Clair, District 10, 838.257 Father Fealy, District 10, 808.572

You Must Have Your Ballots In by 5 o'Clock To-day.

The list of contestants appears to-day for the second time this week, and will continue to appear daily until next Sunday, which will be the last list to be published until the final count is made. Only those ballots cast before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon appear in the list to-day. Those coming in after that time will be counted to-day and will be published in to-morrow's list.

Another thing we hasten to warn contestants against is the buying of votes. As we told you some time ago a number of coupons have been issued and the space intended for the contestant's name was left blank. Some of these coupons have been offered for sale within the last few days. We have the numbers of the coupons, and if they are sold they will be voided. So don't allow yourself to be led into purchasing votes. Your conscience should tell you that it is unfair to other contestants, and if you lose money by it we cannot, under any circumstances, take the blame. Should any of these blank coupons be offered you for a consideration, kindly take the numbers of them and send same to the Contest Department, as we are determined that such methods shall not be employed in this contest.

You are invited to be present next Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock, when the ballot box will be emptied of all ballots, after which it will be closed, locked, and sealed, and the key will be placed in the hands of any responsible party or parties whom the contestants may choose. Herewith we give the names of the contestants who would win the five grand prizes were the contest to close to-day. If you want your name to appear among this five to-morrow, have your ballots in before 5 o'clock this afternoon.

PARTIAL LIST OF CONTESTANTS.

DISTRICT NO. 2. District No. 2 includes all that territory bounded by the north side of 14th street northwest and the west side of Fourteenth street northwest to the west of the east bank of Rock Creek.

Table listing contestants for District No. 2, including names and addresses such as Mrs. M. Adams, 2526 Champlain st., and Mr. H. Burroughs, 2549 14th st. NW.

DISTRICT NO. 4. District No. 4 includes all that territory bounded by the north side of E street northwest, the west side of Fourteenth street northwest, and the south side of S street northwest and Rock Creek and the Potomac River.

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DISTRICT NO. 7. District No. 7 includes all that territory bounded by the north side of L street northwest and the west side of North Capitol street, and the south side of S street northwest, and the east side of Fourteenth street.

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DISTRICT NO. 8. District No. 8 includes all that territory bounded by the north side of 14th street northwest and the west side of North Capitol street to Michigan avenue, and the south side of Spring road and the east side of Fourteenth street.

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DISTRICT NO. 10. District No. 10 includes all that territory bounded by the north side of East Capitol street, Eastern Branch, and the south side of Benning road, and H street northeast, and the east side of North Capitol street.

Table listing contestants for District No. 10, including names and addresses such as Harry W. Ehrmer, 27 5th st. NE, and Willie Clark, 1110 P st. NE.

DISTRICT NO. 11. District No. 11 includes all that territory bounded by the south and east by the Eastern Branch and the south side of East Capitol street and the east side of South Capitol street.

Table listing contestants for District No. 11, including names and addresses such as Mr. Alonzo Adams, 516 L st. SE, and Mrs. T. D. Adams, 400 A st. SE.

DISTRICT NO. 12. District No. 12 includes the City of Alexandria, Anacostia, Congress Heights, and Good Hope, and all rural territory from the above cities.

Table listing contestants for District No. 12, including names and addresses such as Father Cutler, 510 Duke st. Alexandria, and J. P. Gault, 214 E. Capitol st. Alexandria.