

NEARBY STATE EVENTS

WOMEN TO ENTER SCHOOLS CONTEST AT ALEXANDRIA

Precedent Broken in Race To Fill Vacancy On Board.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Feb. 5.—It is understood that three women will Tuesday night for the vacancy on the school board...

Miss Rebecca C. Powell, a former resident of Alexandria, died yesterday at Annapolis, Md., at an advanced age.

Mrs. Harriet Duncan Simms, 60 years old, wife of John Simms, died shortly before midnight last night at her residence, 2034 G street, Northwest, Washington.

The State Corporation Commission has granted a charter to the Capitol Finance Corporation with a capital stock of \$150,000.

A field west of the residence of Mrs. Walter Roberts, 2500 Duke street, took fire at noon today.

Rev. D. H. Martin, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church, this afternoon officiated at the funeral of William Edward Groves.

Thomas L. Kelly's funeral took place this afternoon from his residence, 510 South Patrick street.

John R. Haynes died this morning at the residence of Miss Sarah King, 315 Wolfe street.

Mrs. Seal, the divorcee, was married to Oscar Black, also of this place, during the "flu" epidemic.

DANVILLE, Va., Feb. 5.—According to information received here, Mrs. C. B. Smith, who turned State's evidence and whose evidence convinced C. B. Gibbons, a yegman, in the Halifax County Court.

Prize Georges Granges Plan All-Day Session

EDLSTVILLE, Md., Feb. 5.—The Prince Georges County Pomona Grange, made up of various subordinate granges is to meet in quarterly session next Thursday in Grange Hall here.

Geddes Returns Feb. 15.

Wedding at Falls Church.

Father Thrashes Boy Before Court; Police Keep Count

WINCHESTER, Va., Feb. 5.—Julian Jackson, a schoolboy, was thrashed soundly last evening in court by his father while police officials looked on.

LOAN OF NEEDLE ENDS IN SHOOTING

Hermit Says He Drew Gun When Boy Failed to Return Article.

OAKLAND, Md., Feb. 5.—At the preliminary hearing at the jail here Mack Kitmiller, aged 65, the hermit who shot William Uphole, aged 17, admitted that his intention was to kill the Uphole boy, who in turn shot Kitmiller and who has been held for court.

BOY'S PARENTAGE PUZZLE TO COURT

Doctors Called to Decide Color of Child in School Controversy.

FREDERICK, Md., Feb. 5.—Judge Glenn H. Worthington has under consideration a Juvenile Court case that has developed an unusual situation.

Millionaire's Son Held For Transporting Liquor

DANVILLE, Va., Feb. 5.—A. D. Scott, a wealthy man of Graham, N. C., C. W. Bradshaw and J. T. Henshaw, both of Burlington, were arrested this afternoon between Ridgeway and Martinsville in a heavy touring car containing sixty-five gallons of liquor.

Authoress Widow Weds Former Wilson Appointee

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., Feb. 5.—Mrs. Katrina Trask, authoress and widow of Spencer Trask, bank-rupt, was married yesterday to George Foster Peabody today.

Thieves Get Liberty Bonds and Jewelry

Breaking the glass in the kitchen door of the home of Mrs. George W. Zimmerman, 3514 Fulton street northwest, yesterday, thieves made away with a \$50 Liberty bond, \$100 in war savings stamps and articles of jewelry valued at \$30.

Aged Woman Drops Dead.

CHARLOTTEVILLE, Va., Feb. 5.—Stricken with a heart attack, Mrs. Emma Thomas, 63 years old, arose from a chair in the dining room of her home yesterday and fell dead.

SON OF PRESIDENT TYLER PREPARING COLLEGE HISTORY

Story of William and Mary, Thrilling With Romance, Interests Scholar.

WINCHESTER, Va., Feb. 5.—Dr. Lyon G. Tyler, president emeritus of William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., and son of John Tyler, tenth President of the United States, spent some time here this week copying excerpts from court records dating back as far as 1760, which he intends to use in magazine and historical work.

Dr. Tyler was largely instrumental in reviving historic William and Mary College after the civil war. As far back as the surrender of Cornwallis the college buildings had been burned, he said in relating some of the history of the institution.

Negroes Welcome Policemen After Pistol Promenade

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Phi Kappa Iota Frat Holds Annual Dinner

Phi Kappa Iota Fraternity of Emerson Institute held its fifth annual banquet in the Dutch room of the New Elbitt last night.

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JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 5.—John McHarg, 37, was taken to the city jail today for his choice of spending a year in prison or returning to her. He chose the prison.

Thanks Due to Fosdick for Crime Data Law's Delays Blamed for Grave Increase

By WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT. It is rare that a carefully prepared treatise like that of Mr. Fosdick on American police systems is so opportunely published.

The first reason for being of a government is the protection of society in the rights of life and property and the preservation of law and order. It is a serious impeachment of government if it does not worthily discharge this function.

Exact comparison between the amount of crime in this country and in other countries is not easy, because of the absence of satisfactory statistics of all the crimes committed, presented and punished in the various States of this country.

Let us take Chicago, which is one-third the size of London and one-fifth of the whole of England and Wales in population. Murders in England and Wales in 1914 were 12, in 1915, 13, in 1916, 14, in 1917, 15, in 1918, 16, in 1919, 17, in 1920, 18.

In 1918 New York City had eight times as many burglaries as London, and nearly twice the number of burglaries reported in all England and Wales.

Equally unsatisfactory is the contrast with reference to prosecutions for the crime of murder. In 1918 in Oregon—and this can be duplicated almost everywhere, there occurred fifty-six homicides.

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BLOW FROM AX ENDS LIFE FOR MONTREAL GIRL

Struggles in Vain With Assailant on Snow Covered Street.

MONTREAL, Que., Feb. 5.—Brutally struck down as she gazed for her life, Miss Adeline Malherbe, aged 26, was left lying in a blood stained snow bank in Westmount street within fifty yards of her home, her skull cloven by a blow from an ax.

Three young men were arrested today in connection with the crime but it had not yet been solved to night and detectives were still scouring the city for clues.

The girl was murdered late Friday night and the only eyewitness story of the crime was furnished to the police by Miss Marie G. Girard, who lives nearby and whose attention was attracted by the scuffle almost outside her window.

Alleged Slayers Captured.

PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 5.—A three-day search for the slayers of Godfrey Schultz, Nottingham County farmer, who was shot down in front of his home near Wellsville last Sunday night, came to an end this morning when Sheriff R. L. Sullivan captured Robert Martin and Roy Haggard in the back country near the farm of T. C. Martin.

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