

KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES—A Fair Weather Limousine.

Into All Lives
"Into all lives some rain must fall," the poet said on a dismal day, as he wiped the damp from the kitchen wall, and plugged the roof with a bunch of hay.

LIFE IN THE GALLIPOLI TRENCHES IS DESCRIBED

C. E. Wood of This City Receives Circular Letter From Lieut. Herbert J. A. Reid.

C. E. Wood, 2121 Florida avenue, is in receipt of a circular letter from Lieut. Herbert J. A. Reid of the Army Service Corps, at Anzac, Gallipoli, in which he describes soldier life in the trenches.

Mr. Wood met Lieut. Reid in London several years ago, when he was at the head of the International Automobile Company. The letter is dated August 4, 1915. He says: "Shrapnel and high explosives burst among us from the Turkish batteries on either side. Snipers at each end of the semi-circle, where the Turkish trenches creep down to the sea, do their best to impede our daily work."

Desirable Office Rooms. The entire third floor of the Star Bldg. is available for desirable tenants. It will be rented as a whole or in part.—Advertisement.

ALONG THE RIVER FRONT.

Arrivals. Schooners Thomas W. Kirby, Lottie Thomas and Avalon and power boat Virginia, at 11th street wharf with oysters from the Potomac beds; steamer Northland, from Norfolk and Old Point; steamer Three Rivers, from Baltimore and Potomac landings; steamer Wakefield, from Lower Chesapeake and Nomini creeks and the Wilcomico river.

Departures. Steamer Southland, for Old Point and Norfolk by the Norfolk and Washington Steamboat Company; steamer Tutu, for river landings to Proctors wharf, Md., to return this evening; steamer W. L. Davis, for river landings to Grinders wharf, to return this evening; J. & W. Lighter, No. 1, light, for Occoquan to load lumber to return; schooner Grape Shandria, for Alexandria for a Potomac point to load for this city; United States Army steamer Capt. A. M. Wertheil, for Fort Washington and Fort Hunt with army stores and passengers.

Tugs and Tows.

Tug Capt. Toby left with lighter for Occoquan, Va., to load lumber back to this port; tug Minerva arrived at Georgetown with lighters for this city; tug left delivered load from in Brown creek and returned to the Eastern branch with light scow; tug John Miller arrived in the Eastern branch with clay-laden scows from the creek; brick plants; tug Herbert arrived with sand and gravel laden lighters; S. T. Ford reported on her way to this city with coal-laden barges from the head of Chesapeake bay.

Memoranda.

Schooner Charles L. Rhode has arrived at Norfolk en route to this city with lumber from North Carolina; schooner Elizabeth Carter has gone to the market; schooner Walter has arrived at Baltimore with lumber from Walkerton, Va.; schooner Flora and Virginia is on her way to the Rappahannock river to load lumber; schooner Mildred will load at a lower Potomac point, reported for this city; schooner Bessie Ford is at a lower Potomac point to load oysters for the market here.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TONIGHT.

Alley Improvement Association to Distribute Gifts to Poor.

Every Christmas for six years past the Alley Improvement Association, Inc., has given a Christmas tree party to poor children and their mothers living in the courts, back streets and alleys of the northwest. This year's party will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the basement of Shiloh Church, street between 15th and 17th streets northwest. A musical and literary program will be presented by Mrs. M. T. Tignor, Mrs. Frank S. Reide, Jr., Miss Josephine Carroll, Dr. W. E. Lindsay, Mrs. M. C. A. Orchestre, and Mrs. Mary Kinsey and her Sunday school class, and by Isaac C. Reide and A. W. Allen. The Sunday schools of the Fifteenth Street Presbyterian Church have contributed candy and toys and clothing, shoes, stockings, toys, confections, etc., also have been furnished Shiloh Church has donated the use of its basement in which to hold the tree, while the Sunday school has donated and dressed the Christmas tree. The most needy among the children and mothers will be provided with new shoes and stockings, while ice cream, fruits, nuts, confections, etc., will be given to all by the mothers and their parents, and toys to the smaller children. The Christmas tree for the day runners of the Alley Improvement Association was held Christmas Eve.

Shoes of Today, 5.00 Style-with-Comfort

Dancing Pumps, 5.00. Dancing Oxfords, 6.00. Silk Hose, plain or clocked, 50c; and Fiber-silk, 25c.

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R. M. CATHCART IS GIVEN A MEDAL FOR HEROISM

Presented With Silver Trophy for Saving Dorothy Abramson From Drowning.

Accident Which Occurred at Colonial Beach August 5 Cost Life of Abraham Oscar.

For saving Dorothy Abramson, a Washington young woman, from drowning at Colonial Beach August 5 last, a silver medal of honor has been awarded by the Treasury Department to Robert Malcolm Cathcart of Ballston, Va. When the tragedy occurred, Abraham Oscar, Miss Abramson's fiancé, lost his life in an attempt to save her.

Oscar and Miss Abramson were in bathing when she was heard to scream. She seemed to be hanging on to something, which it afterward developed was Oscar's arm, which he held up in an effort to keep her head above water, himself submerged.

Cathcart swam to her aid. She seized him about the neck with her arms and they both went under, but Cathcart was able to push her away. While under water, he saw the man, Oscar, from under water he held up the shrieking girl until help came and the girl was pulled into a canoe.

Apparently, some of those who had rushed to the rescue were exhausted by the effort and seized hold of the side of the canoe, causing it to tip. Another man, not identified, but supposed to have been a sailor, took Miss Abramson's arms and swam ashore with her. Cathcart, nearly exhausted, was taken in a canoe by his friends. He died in the search for the body of Oscar.

Oscar's body was finally found, but several hours' work failed to resuscitate him. Miss Abramson's home is at 1961 New Jersey avenue. The home of Oscar was at 1111 street northwest. They were to have been married within a few months.

Cathcart's Story of Rescue.

Cathcart, in telling the story of the rescue, said: "I was bathing at this particular time with a young lady, Miss Pearl Putnam, in about four and a half feet of water about thirty-five yards from shore. I noticed a couple about twenty-five yards farther out, in very dangerous water unless they were good swimmers. The girl was conspicuous because of the orange and black cap she wore.

"I was startled by shrill screams for help, and saw the girl apparently supported by something, but she was under and shoulders out of water and not struggling.

"I let go of Miss Putnam and swam as fast as possible to the girl who was screaming continuously. When, perhaps half way to the girl, I turned and saw that no one else was coming. I yelled 'Help!' very loud and did not look around again.

"When I was within five or six yards of her she started a violent struggling, no doubt swimming much water. I very unskillfully swam right up to her and all at once she had a very tight grip around my neck with her arms and she clutched me around the neck with her legs. We both sank to the bottom, the water being about 7 1/2 feet deep.

"I freed myself under water. "While we were under water I freed myself from her by placing both hands on her chest and pushing with all my force. If this girl had been a little more muscular I would not have been able to tell this story today. While I was struggling to free myself, I kept kicking something which was preventing me from treading water.

"As soon as I got free I took a good breath and dropped to the bottom. I caught the girl by the calves of her legs and held her head above water. While in this position I saw the drowned man, not struggling, but merely floating back and forth in the tide. I only got this one glimpse of him.

"I stayed down as long as possible and then gave a push which sent me to the surface and held the girl about the shoulders from the rear until I could get a good breath, and then returned to the bottom and held the girl off me. On rising to the surface I saw two men helping the girl into a canoe. In this position I saw the drowned man, not struggling, but merely floating back and forth in the tide. I only got this one glimpse of him.

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CITY ITEMS.

Jelly Mints, 20c lb.; Walnuts, 10c lb.; 7 lbs. Buckwheat, 25c; 12 lbs. White Meal, 25c; Hominy, 3c lb.; Black-eyed Peas, 2c; Navy Beans, 7c; Lima Beans, 8c; 4 lbs. Fancy Head Rice, 25c; 4 lbs. Macaroni or Spaghetti, 25c; 4 lbs. Evap. Peaches, 25c; 4 bottles Vanilla or Lemon, 25c; Pound or Fruit Cake, 16c lb.; Prunes, 10c and 12c; Apples, 12c; 3 cans Sweet Brinkley Peas, 25c; Sifted E. J. Peas, 75c; E. J. Peas, 5c; Sugar Corn, 5c and 7c; Tuna Fish, 7c and 10c; Large cans Peas, 10c; Large cans Cats Peaches, 10c; Y. C. Peaches, extras, 15c; Pineapple, extras, 15c; 3 cans Beans, 25c; 3 cans Asparagus, 30c; Stringless Beans, 75c; 2 1/2 lb. cans Karo Syrup, 10c; Penn Mar Syrup, 10c; Star of the East Flour, \$6.75 bbl.; 24 lbs. Old Time Flour, 84c; 925 Pa. ave. and all the J. T. D. Pyles Stores.

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Illustration Books, Schmidt, 719-21 13th.

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CARRIED CAPITOL CARDS.

Found on Body of Paul Calmeyn on Battledief in France.

The body of Paul Calmeyn, a wealthy linen merchant of Brussels, Belgium, was recently found on a battledief of northern France, and in his pockets were cards admitting him to the galleries of the Senate and House, signed by Vice President Marshall and Speaker Clark, according to information received here by John J. McGrain, storekeeper of the Senate. The cards were bloodstained and had been shot through by bullets.