

NEW RECORDS MADE BY NATIONAL BANKS

(Continued from page 2) 383.89 or \$422,962,553.04 more than the 7,204 national banks doing business on November 10, 1910 had.

MOOMAW OFF TO INSPECT STORAGE

For the purpose of visiting and inspecting the storages and connections of the Virginia Fruit Growers' Incorporated, Manager Clarence W. Moomaw left Staunton last night on a trip that will take him to New Orleans, Atlanta, Macon, Mobile, Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville and Cincinnati.

Although the crop this year was in some respects disappointing the business of the growers' organization has been greater than ever before. While the demand for Virginia grown apples has increased in local markets there has been a corresponding increase in the sales abroad.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the VIRGINIA: F. R. Webb, Baltimore; F. D. Webb, Baltimore; E. P. Ewart, Beckley, W. Va.; M. W. McDonald, Charlestown; W. P. Hollingsworth, Philadelphia; L. M. Kann, New York; Mrs. Wm. Plumley, Hume Plumley, Hinton, W. Va.; L. M. Morlan, Atlanta; W. R. Hebar, Norfolk; A. J. Desmond, Lynchburg; L. B. Nicodemus, Baltimore; J. K. Riggs, Baltimore; F. R. Cook, Boston.

At the AUGUSTA: F. T. Colleeny, Baltimore; Stuart E. Bevins, Baltimore; J. A. Glenn, Waynesboro; Charles Crickenberger, Basic; Chas. Van Lear, Basic; Miss Robinson, Hot Springs; Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gorham, Lexington, Ky.; Mrs. John W. Marr, Lexington, Ky.; M. P. Niswander, Harrisonburg; J. S. Manning, Richmond; C. H. Dunkin, Richmond; Gus. Folland, Charlottesville; D. L. Cobb, Louisville.

O. E. Surbaugh, Alderson, W. Va.; F. V. Colton, Philadelphia; R. R. Ruff, Lexington; W. J. Weeby, Baltimore; Miss Josephine Stephenson, Monterey; D. M. Garvin, Wheeling, W. Va.; C. H. Hoffman, G. M. Besant, Baltimore; E. M. Hoover, Virginia; A. E. Brent, Baltimore; J. C. Perry, Salem; Chas. M. Miller, Bridgewater; C. H. Snyder, Utica, N. Y.; R. M. Bidgood, Richmond; G. G. Raddin, Pittsburg; Mark Roberts, Roanoke; C. E. McIntosh, Richmond; G. G. Raddin, Pittsburg; S. M. Gentry, Richigan; L. A. Racy and wife, Rockingham, Va.; E. Lewis, Jacksonville, Fla.; W. A. Pearson, Keyville, Fla.; G. A. Revercomb, Covington.

HORACE S. CUMMINGS, OF WASHINGTON DIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Horace Stuart Cummings, well known clubman and for forty years a prominent attorney of the city, where he had argued famous cases before various United States courts died suddenly at his residence, 1756 K street northwest at 4:30 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Cummings was one of the organizers of the University Club, of Washington, and for many years one of the board of governors. He was a member of the old Suffolk branch of the Sons of the Revolution, and of the New York chapter of the Mayflower Descendants. He also was prominent in the Geographical Society, and was a member of the Masonic fraternity in New Hampshire.

BEN HUR ELECT.

Staunton Court No. 3 Tribe of Ben Hur met last night and elected the following officers for the new year: Chief, G. Frank Garber; judge, G. T. Stockdale; teacher, J. J. Prifer; scribe, S. K. Davis; keeper of the tribute, George A. Newham; captain, Frank Yount; guard of the inner gate, G. T. Shultz; guard of the outer gate, Joseph W. Blackburn. These officers will be installed at the first meeting in January.

LUTHERAN WOMEN MEET

Delegates From Over State Partially Organize A Woman's Synodical Society

At the last meeting of the Lutheran Synod of Virginia, a committee was appointed composed of Mrs. A. D. R. Hancher, Mrs. E. L. Folk, of Harrisonburg and Mrs. E. A. Repass, of New Market, to organize a Woman's Synodical Society of the Virginia Synod of the Lutheran church.

Twenty-two ladies from over the State delegates from various churches, met here yesterday in the Lutheran church, for organization. In the afternoon there was a prayer service at which Miss Mattoon had a Bible reading and Mrs. A. M. Howison told how helpful the Synodical Union had been in the Presbyterian church. At night there was a business meeting, with Mrs. Hancher presiding.

After much discussion a constitution and by-laws were adopted but owing to the lateness of the hour further organization was left in the hands of the same committee until next August, when a meeting in connection with the Synod will be held and officers elected.

PERSIA APPEALS TO CONGRESS FOR AID

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—An appeal to Congress for aid for Persia in her troubles with Russia was received and read in the House today. The memorial came by cable from the President of the Persian parliament.

It was written in French, and no one about the office of the Speaker could translate it. After half a dozen had tried their linguistic talents in vain, Representative Estopinal of Louisiana was called in. He rendered the appeal in English, and Champ Clark, when the House convened, had the Louisiana representative read the cablegram in both French and English on the floor.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WEBB.

The funeral of Mrs. D. Stuart Webb was held from Trinity Episcopal church yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Rev. W. Q. Hullahen officiated. Interment was in Thorsore cemetery. The pallbearers were: Active, George Hoge, Gunther Hoge, Stuart Robertson, Duncan Curry, Rudolph Turk of Charlottesville and Edward Burke; honorary, E. J. Cushing, H. W. Holt, Fitzhugh Elder, James H. Woodward, Thomas Atkinson, Dr. M. J. Payne and Dr. J. B. Catlett.

NEWPORT ROLL OF HONOR

Following is the Honor Roll of the Newport, Va., graded school: Room 1, Nellie Craig, Sallie Craig, Bessie Swisher, Margaret Martin, Virgie Inimamon, Vivian Strickler, Marnye Strickler, Wallace Wiseman, James Gilkerson, Wallace Strickler, Henry Turk. Room No. 2.—Lelia Hite, Millard Strickler, Tom Martin, Miss Erle George, Principal; Miss Ida Powers, Assistant.

BEEKMAN WINTHROP IS TAKEN SERIOUSLY ILL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Beekman Winthrop, assistant secretary of the Navy, is confined in bed at his home, seriously ill from neuritis.

FOURTEEN ARABS WERE HANGED AT SUNRISE

TRIPOLI, Dec. 7.—Fourteen Arabs, condemned of treachery by courtmartial, were hanged by Italian soldiers in the Market Place at sunrise today. They were captured on October 13, when a number of supposedly non-combatant natives opened fire from ambush upon Red Cross nurses and surgeons.

BUTTER 50 CENTS A POUND

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—In the midst of the Government's investigation of the butter and egg board for its system of uniform quotation, butter today reached the highest price since 1888. Fancy creamery sold at 37 cents a pound wholesale or about 50 cents to the housewife.

BATTLESHIP AGROUND.

KIEL, Germany, Dec. 7.—The German battleship Kaiser Wilhelm II is aground off Flensburg Flord, and although tugs were unable to release her, it is believed she is in no great danger.

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., Dec. 7.—The high school, intermediate and other schools of this city have been closed by order of the health authorities because of "black diphtheria." One of the theatres was also closed for the purpose of fumigation.

PEACE KEYNOTE OF TAFT MESSAGE

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mingo and between Costa Rica and Panama. The Disturbances in China. The message touches lightly upon the revolution in China, in reference to loans for railroad construction and currency reform, in which American financiers figured.

"While safeguarding the interest of our nationals," says the President, "this government is using its best efforts in continuance of its traditional policy of sympathy and friendship toward the Chinese empire and its people, with the confident hope for their economic and administrative development, and with the constant disposition to contribute to their welfare in all proper ways consistent with an attitude of strict impartiality as between contending factions."

Pan-American Union Lauded. The President lauded the work which is being done by the Pan-American Union (the old bureau of American republics), especially in the way of promoting peace.

The message deprecates the war between Italy and Turkey, but it was with satisfaction that Mr. Taft called attention to the fact that it could in no wise embroil the United States.

Attention is called to the work of the opium commission now sitting at The Hague, which is trying to curtail traffic in dangerous drugs, and it is pointed out that the trade of the United States is constantly growing. Exports of the United States for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1911, were over \$2,000,000,000 a gain of \$300,000,000 over those of the previous year.

President Taft says there is a crying need for an American merchant marine, and again asks Congress to grant a subsidy that a merchant marine service may be built up.

OVER MILLION DOLLARS FOR NEW BUILDINGS

ROANOKE, Va., Dec. 7.—The year 1912 will surpass all previous years in the number and value of building permits issued from the office of the city engineer. Up to December 1, 567 permits have been issued, amounting of \$1,472,250.

STOKES IMPOVED, BUT CANNOT ATTEND TRIAL

NEW YORK, Dec. 7.—W. E. D. Stokes, millionaire hotel proprietor, is resting easily today, but had not recovered sufficiently to attend the trial of Lillian Graham and Ethel Conrad, accused of shooting him.

Old Fitz's Absentmindedness.

Of FitzGerald's absentmindedness and preoccupation a good story is told. He was going to London from Woodbridge to visit some friends, taking with him his hand man. When Woodbridge was left the sky was clear and cloudless, but when London was reached it was raining in torrents. FitzGerald paced restlessly up and down the platform, expressing regret at having failed to bring his umbrella and occasionally sending his man out to see if the rain had ceased. Suddenly FitzGerald stopped in front of a time table. A brilliant inspiration had come to him. His long, artistic fingers followed the dotted lines, and then, taking out his watch from his fob, he said to his man, "John, go and fetch my umbrella and catch the train back again." And away went faithful John to Woodbridge on a journey costing twice as much as an umbrella could have been purchased for just outside the station, while FitzGerald stayed in the waiting room. —T. P.'s London Magazine.

Worse Than a Galley Slave's Life.

Less than a galley back life at Eton appears to have been even harder than at Christ's hospital. An old Etonian who left the school in 1834 describes his experience there as "worse than that of many inmates of a workhouse or a jail. To get up at 5 o'clock on freezing winter mornings; to sweep their own floors and make their own beds; to go two by two to the pump for a scanty wash; to eat no mouthful of food until 9 o'clock in the morning; to live on an endless round of mutton, potatoes and beer, none of them too plentiful or too good; to sleep in a dismal cell without chair or tables—such was the lot of boys whose parents could not pay for a private room. Some of these underwent privations that might have broken down a cabin boy and would be thought inhuman if inflicted on a galley slave." —London Spectator.

Boxing the Ears.

"Don't box a naughty child's ears. Don't allow any provocation to tempt you to strike a child on the head," is the injunction contained in an article on skulls issued by the international hygiene exposition at Dresden. Corporal punishment of any kind, says the writer, is wrong, but when the head is the point of contact between the angry parent and the child the former may easily become a murderer. In a collection of skulls at the exposition lent by the Wurzburg university there are many of children as well as adults which show that the abnormally thin skull is not unusually found, even in otherwise normal human beings, and the causes of death, which are stated on cards attached to the skulls, are intended to serve as warnings to parents, teachers and guardians.

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