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By C. M. Payne

THOMAS MACK HEADS POSTOFFICE CLERKS

New President of Washington Local Has Been in Mailing Division Fourteen Years.

Thomas B. Mack, clerk in the mailing division of the city postoffice, will head the Washington local of the National Federation of Postoffice Clerks for the next year. Mack's election as president of the organization was announced, following the counting of ballots at the annual election yesterday. He has been in the mailing division of the local office for fourteen years. Other officers chosen were: Secretary, Howard R. Billing, delivery division; first vice president, J. H. Simmons, delivery division; second vice president, William Warren, mailing division; financial secretary, Frank X. Waterman, mailing division; treasurer, James B. Barnes, mailing division; sergeant-at-arms, Michael O'Connor, mailing division; guide, Charles Pindell, mailing division; trustees, H. L. Rabblitt, Charles H. Hillton and Edmund Murphy, James Ferrer, Charles Ferry, and Daniel Johnson acted on the election committee. President Mack appointed the following committees: Constitution and by-laws, John J. Downey, chairman; William T. Harris, B. B. Barrett, R. L. Grimes, R. T. Lester; organization committee, Basil Sellers, E. Patterson, R. H. Bryan, George T. Howell, R. W. Starkweather, James Ferrer, James G. Conroy, W. E. Elbel, W. B. Klemroth, Bonnie Roberts, Joseph W. Gregory, John P. Gamlich; publicity committee, Charles Pindell, chairman; William J. Mulvey, and W. H. Page; entertainment committee, Milton W. Drennon, chairman; B. Verle, J. B. Hestkamp, Carl Wahler, Harry Leitch, and Frank Murray.

CAPITAL ROADS IN BIG ROULEY MERGER

Negotiations Under Way to Consolidate All City and Inter-urban Systems.

(Continued from First Page.) The Washington Utilities Company in 1915, after deducting the \$75,000 interest on the notes from the \$1,000,000 income account of \$22,871.75, or approximately three times the interest. Representatives of the Baltimore company, including Van Lear Black, who is newly interested in various financial enterprises in that city and owns valuable coal properties in West Virginia; Mr. Bahner, president of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis railway, and others have been in conference with representatives of the Washington railway at frequent intervals in this city, Baltimore and New York during the past three months endeavoring to arrange for the merger. The Washington Utilities Company was formed in 1911 as a holding company for securities of the street railway, interurban and other properties in and about Washington. At the time of its formation it was announced that the purpose was to bring about a merger such as is now proposed, but owing to opposition on the part of local interests involved the plan fell through. Since then the Washington Utilities has contented itself with the operation of certain lines running out of Washington into nearby Virginia territory. It has an authorized capitalization of \$50,000,000 in common stock, of which \$4,800,000 are outstanding with a reserve of \$900,000. The issued stock of the company is approximately \$1,800,000.

INTEREST HERE IN STEAMER LINE SALE

New York, Norfolk, and Washington Concern Part of United States Company.

New York advertisements offering for sale the stock of the United States Steamship Company, have aroused interest in local financial circles in view of the fact that one of the constituent companies of the combination is the New York, Norfolk and Washington Steamship Company. Little is known in Washington of the New York, Norfolk and Washington Steamship Company, and so far as can be ascertained, none is of the stock of the company is held by local investors. The company is said to have been organized about a year ago by C. W. Morse, steamship promoter and former vice president of the United States Steamship Company, the combination which has contracted according to the advertisements, to take over the stock of the New York, Norfolk and Washington and thirteen other companies. The New York, Norfolk and Washington has never operated any boats in local waters. The United States Steamship Company was organized in December, 1915, under the laws of Maine, the state in which Morse has chartered the majority of his corporations. Its authorized capital is \$25,000,000.

LOCAL AND NEW YORK FINANCIAL NEWS

Accumulation of Orders Over Holiday Swells Volume of Activity on Local Exchange

An accumulation of orders over the holiday swelled the volume of activity and lent breadth to the market on the Washington Stock Exchange today. Few changes were recorded in quotation figures. Washington Railway and Electric preferred stock, selling fractionally under the previous price, led the trading. A total of fifty-seven shares sold at \$2. Stocks of banking corporations were more active than usual. A block of fifty shares of Union Trust Company stock changed hands at 120, as compared with sales last week at 120. An out lot of twelve shares of District National Bank brought 128, and five shares of American National, 185. The bid on Washington Gas stock dropped 1/4 point to 74, but two shares sold at 75 1/2 and 75 3/4. The bid on the bond list included \$1,500 Capital Traction 107; \$2,000 worth of Washington Gas 5's at 107, and a \$1,000 Washington Railway and Electric 4's at 103 1/2.

Local Bond Market. GOVERNMENT BONDS.

Table of government bonds including U. S. Reg. 5's, U. S. Coupon 5's, U. S. Reg. 4's, U. S. Coupon 4's, D. C. 2 1/2's, etc.

New York Stocks.

Table of New York stocks including Alaska G. M. Co., Ailsa Chal., Am. Agr. Chem. Co., Am. Bk. 500, etc.

RECOVERY GENERAL ON WALL STREET

Support Given War Stocks and Gains Are Maintained During Morning.

NEW YORK, April 24.—War stocks found the support which they lacked during Saturday's bear drive, when the stock exchange opened to day, and recoveries of 1 to 3 points were general. Crucible sold at 78, up 1/2. U. S. Steel gained 1/2 at 81 1/2. Studebaker opened at 13 1/2, up 1/2, and Mexican Petroleum was up 1/2 at 31. Westinghouse lost 1/2 at 54. Profit-taking buying during the opening hour was as heavy as the sales during Saturday's bear raid. In the first half hour sales were 150,000 shares, in the first hour 200,000 shares. Gains were well maintained throughout most of the hour. At 11 o'clock prices were fractionally under the best of the morning. Prices continued to climb slowly in an active market during the late forenoon. Morning sales were nearly half a million shares. Crucible was up 1/2 at its best price, and American Smelting and Mexican Petroleum 1/2 each. Between noon and 1 o'clock trading slackened. Sales for the hour were 60,000 shares.

Sees War's End July 27; London Believes Prophet

LONDON, April 24.—The Manchester Guardian is responsible for a curious story. It is that a man who has a reputation as a prophet and fortune teller, whether a lacing prophet or a crystal gazer is not recorded, said to some one (unnamed), "I tell you that the war will be over on July 27, and you'll see it'll be as true as that that man there will die on Saturday." "The story of the 'man there' is true," although strong and healthy at the time, did die on Saturday. The war, therefore, will end on July 27. It looks as though this conflict of nations which resembles in so many terrible ways the wars of antiquity, resembles them also in the strange growth of popular signs and fables.

Funeral Rites for Capital Residents

Hours and Places of Services Arranged by Bereaved Families.

Arthur G. Varela. Funeral services for Arthur G. Varela, who died Saturday, aged thirty-four years, at Georgetown University Hospital, aged fifteen years, will be held at the residence, 923 Twenty-seventh street northwest, tomorrow at 9 o'clock. The service will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, where requiem mass will be celebrated at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Reception for New Pastor of Ryland M. E. Church

A reception to the Rev. John H. Jeffries, new pastor of Ryland M. E. Church, and Mrs. Jeffries, will be held by the congregation at the church this evening. Various clergy and laity of the city will attend, and welcome the pastor and his wife.

Have de Grace Entries for Tomorrow's Races

First race—For maiden two-year-olds; four and a half furlongs. Postage, 2; Crattigue, 104; My Girl, 107; Chelsea, 105; Doc Meala, 108; Tarves, 110; Dyan, 112; Defender, 108; Wood Orcious, 108.

Today's Races

Capital Traction 5's, 107 1/2; Potomac Electric 1st 5's, 107 1/2; Washington Railway preferred, 103 1/2; 107 1/2; 203 1/2; 408 1/2; Washington Gas Light, 107 1/2; District National Bank, 107 1/2; Union Trust, 107 1/2; After call—Capital Traction 5's, 107 1/2; Washington Railway preferred, 103 1/2; Washington Railway 5's, 107 1/2; American National Bank, 185.

Many Generals' Sons Are Killed in Battle

PARIS, April 24.—A list which does not pretend to be complete has been printed of sons and sons-in-law of generals who have been killed in the war. General de Castelnaud and General Desrial have both lost three sons, General Foch a son and a son-in-law, General Pouydraguin, Renouard, De Lardemelle, and Nezaud each two sons; General Ganeval (killed in the Ardennes) had two sons-in-law. The generals who have lost a son include De Lestapis, Bonfait, and Desdonne, and those who have lost a son-in-law are Generals de Mondesir, De Vassart, De Monlancourt.

Woman Customs Watchers To Be Used in England

LONDON, April 24.—Women customs watchers will appear shortly in London and other ports. They are a war time innovation to fill the places hitherto reserved for pensioned soldiers and sailors. They will be spared the roughest work at docks and other exposed places. Their "beat" will be in bonded warehouses, where, as their name implies, they must keep watch for the customs on the reception and issue of dutiable goods. The work is not arduous and will involve no night duty for the women. Pay ranges from 15 shillings (\$4.50) to 21 shillings (\$5.25), with overtime.

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Marie J. Miller. Funeral services for Marie J. Miller, daughter of Mrs. John Tudge, who died Friday at Georgetown University Hospital, aged fifteen years, will be held at the residence, 923 Twenty-seventh street northwest, tomorrow at 9 o'clock. The service will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church, where requiem mass will be celebrated at 9 o'clock. Interment will be made in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Wholesale Produce Market

EGGS—Nearby, fresh, 19 1/2c per doz.; Southern, 2c per doz. CHEESE—New York, 19c per lb.; fat, 19 1/2c. BUTTER—Eggs, 19c per lb.; tub, 20c per lb.; cream, 22c per lb. LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 19c per lb.; live turkeys, 22c per lb.; chickens, 19c per lb. LIVE STOCK—Veal calves, test, 10c per lb.; heavy, 10 1/2c per lb.; fat, 10 1/2c per lb.; spring lambs, 10 1/2c per lb.; calves, 10 1/2c per lb.; calves, 10 1/2c per lb.

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ANACOSTIA

The Sodality of the Children of Mary, of St. Teresa's Church, held its annual meeting yesterday in the basement of the church when plans were started for the annual May procession to be held next month. Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock for Capt. C. W. Hopkins, from Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Mrs. Arthur North, of New York, is said to be the parent, the Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Davenport, at their home in Maple View avenue, Mrs. North was formerly Miss Irene Davenport of this suburb.

G. W. U. Fraternity Unveils Memorial At Church

Members of the local chapter of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity at George Washington University yesterday at All Souls Memorial P. E. Church unveiled a memorial window as a tribute to Washington members of the fraternity who have passed away. The rector of the church, the Rev. James MacBride Sterrett, had charge of the exercises. The Rev. Dr. Paul Sperry, of the Church of the New Jerusalem, preached the sermon. The Rev. George Williamson, Smith, of Robert College, and the Rev. Le Grand Powers, of Tufts College, aided in the service. All these pastors are members of the fraternity.

Cherrydale, Va., to Have "Clean Up" This Week

"Clean up week" for Cherrydale, Va., and vicinity will begin today, according to plans formulated by the committee on the beautification of premises of the Cherrydale Citizens' Association. The week will be concluded with the collecting of all debris on Friday and Saturday. Notices urging all residents to clean up their premises are being posted throughout the suburb and residents in large numbers have entered into the movement with an enthusiasm which presages the results desired.

Court Upholds Man Who Horsemipped Taunters

BALTIMORE, April 24.—"You were perfectly justified in using the horsemanship. He deserved just what you gave him. It was your only means of protecting yourself." Magistrate Schirm made this statement. Ernest Klug wears a goatee. He told the magistrate that he is proud of the goatee, but that he objects to persons making fun of it. He said that every time he passes a certain corner where a crowd of young men congregates they call him "Baa-a-a!" at him. He admitted that he carried a horse whip and broke it over the backs of several of the young men when they taunted him.

Lured by Ice Wagon, Girl Is Hurt; Father Sues

ST. PAUL, April 24.—An ice wagon is termed an allurements to children in a suit against the North Star Ice Company for \$500 damages for the loss of a finger by Edith Raaman, nine years old, on trial in District Judge Michael's court. Louis Raaman, who brings suit for his daughter, charges that the ice wagon crew was aware of the attraction their vehicle had for children and failed to take proper precautions.

Pawns Hat to Wed, But Can't Get Certificate

SAVANNAH, Ga., April 24.—Sam Wilkerton spent his last hard earned money for a marriage license, concluding the purchase in January. After considerable conversation with the preacher regarding rates, he pawned his hat and became united in marriage. There is one thing missing from Sam's happy life, and that is the marriage certificate, the official record of the union bought with a hat. Sam pawned his hat for a dollar, carried the coin and his fiancée to the altar, leaving the one and becoming the better half of the other. Thus the ceremony was performed and Sam released the bride, while his left hand reached out for the marriage certificate, but the latter move was intercepted. "That'll cost you one dollar," said the minister. "An' that's the situation. Sam swopped his hat for a bride, but lacks the dollar to give his union."

Real Estate Transfers

North Hanalei Highlands—William Cardwell to U. S. Corlies Cogswell, lots 23 to 24, square 6455, 112. C street southeast, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets—Jacob S. Gruver et al. to B. Edward McCann, lot 24, square 1068, 10; stamps, 25 cents. Whitehaven—Mary E. P. Schull to the Schull Company, lots 23 and 24, square 1280, 10; stamps, 25 cents. Hampden—Major Charles M. Corson to Emil Fischer, lot 19, block 4, 110; stamps, 25 cents. Eighth street northwest, between 2nd and 3rd streets—Charles M. Corson to Oscar O. and Margaret L. Daumer, lot 29, square 682, 10; stamps, 15 cents.

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