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Alexandria Gazette.

THURSDAY EVENING SEPT. 16, 1909.

FINE TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS. Thomas Embrey was arrested in Washington Tuesday charged with stealing a pocketbook belonging to Mrs. Irme V. Whaley. Embrey and Mrs. Whaley were passengers on a Southern Railway train which had previously arrived at the Union station. The woman alleged that she left her pocketbook in the seat she had occupied and that Embrey picked it up. When she accused him of having the pocketbook he denied the charge, but Mrs. Whaley put her hand in his pocket and recovered it. Embrey was taken before the Police Court and fined \$25. In default of payment he will spend the next 90 days in jail.

DIG UP CITY AND PYRAMID. An important archaeological discovery was announced at Mexico City, Tuesday, by Professor Ramon Menz, who headed a government expedition to Oaxaca in Mexico, which has uncovered a buried city of great antiquity. A pyramid similar to that uncovered at San Juan de Teotihuacan has been exposed. The pyramid is 60 feet in height and measures 200 feet square at the base. The remains indicate that the city was built and occupied in the time of the Toltecs.

RAILROADS

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

In Effect August 8th, 1909.

N. B.—Following schedule figures published only as information, and are not guaranteed. 7:47 A. M.—Daily Local between Washington and Danville.

8:47 A. M.—Daily—Local for Harrisonburg, and way stations. 9:17 A. M.—Daily—U. S. Fast Mail. Stop only for passengers for points south at which scheduled to stop. First class coaches, sleepers to Birmingham and drawing-room sleepers for New Orleans. Dining car service.

1:17 p. m.—Week Days—Local for Warrenton and Strasburg. 4:27 P. M.—Daily—Birmingham special. Sleeping cars between New York, Augusta, Aiken and Jacksonville. Sleeper to Birmingham. Through first-class coaches between Washington and Jacksonville. Dining car service. Tourist to California tri-weekly.

4:32 P. M.—Week Days—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations on Manassas branch. 5:12 P. M.—Daily—Local for Warrenton and Charlottesville.

10:27 P. M.—Daily—Washington and Chesapeake Limited. (via Lynnhurst). First class coach and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville and Chattanooga. Stop at New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke. Dining car service. Washington sleeper open 10:00 P. M.

Through trains from the South arrive at Alexandria 6:13 and 6:33 and 10:23 A. M., 3:18, 6:13, 10:23 and 11:23 P. M. daily. Through trains leave Alexandria 6:13 and 10:23 A. M., 3:18, 6:13, 10:23 and 11:23 P. M. daily. From Charlottesville 9:28 A. M. daily.

TRAINS ON BLUEMONT BRANCH. Leave Alexandria (W. & O. Station, week days at 8:22 A. M. and 1:40 and 4:23 P. M. Leave Bluemont 6:35 P. M. week days. Return Alexandria 11:23 A. M. week days and 9:17 P. M. daily. From Charlottesville 9:28 A. M. daily.

For detailed schedule figures, tickets, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to WILLIAM G. LEHEW, Union Ticket Agent Alexandria, Va. C. H. ACKERT, Vice Pres. and Gen. Mgr. H. H. HARDWICK, Pass. Trsf. Mgr. W. H. TAYLOR, Gen. Passenger Agent. L. S. BROWN, General Agents. Washington, D. C.

Washington Southern Ry

Schedule in effect Jan. 4th, 1909.

Trains leave Union Station for Washington and points north at 8:02, 8:23 and 8:33 a. m., 12:11, 2:30, 8:07, 8:18, and 11:33 p. m., week days.

Sundays—8:23 and 8:33 a. m., 12:01, 8:07 and 11:33 p. m. For Fredericksburg, Richmond and point south at 4:22, 4:37, 9:22 and 11:32 a. m., 4:07, 5:17 (local), and 7:52 p. m., week days. Sundays—4:37, 7:18, 9:22 a. m., 4:07, 5:17 (local), and 7:52 p. m.

Accommodation for Fredericksburg at 9:3 a. m. week days. NOTE—Time of arrivals and departures and connections not guaranteed. W. P. TAYLOR, Trsf. Mgr.

Washington, Alexandria & Mt. Vernon Railway.

In effect May 1, 1909.

LEAVE ALEXANDRIA. For Washington, from corner Prince and Royal streets, week days, at 5:40, 6:05, 6:30, 6:40, 6:55, 7:05, 7:15, 7:30, 7:40, 7:50, 8:15, 8:25, 8:35, 9:10, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10, 10:30, 10:50, 11:10, 11:25, 11:50, 11:55, 12:10, 12:15, 12:30, 12:50, 1:10, 1:25, 1:30, 1:50, 2:10, 2:25, 2:30, 2:40, 3:05, 3:25, 3:35, 3:50, 4:10, 4:25, 4:40, 4:55, 5:10, 5:25, 5:50, 6:10, 6:25, 6:40, 6:55, 7:10, 7:25, 7:35, 7:50, 8:10, 8:25, 8:40, 9:00, 9:10, 10:00, 10:20, 11:10 and 11:55 p. m.

Sundays—7:00, 7:35, 8:10, 8:20, 8:40, 9:00, 9:20, 10:00, 10:10, 10:30, 10:40, 11:00, 11:20 and 11:4 a. m., 12:00, 12:30, 12:40, 1:00, 1:30, 1:40, 2:00, 2:30, 2:40, 3:00, 3:30, 3:40, 4:00, 4:20, 4:40, 5:00, 5:20, 5:40, 6:00, 6:20, 6:40, 7:00, 7:20, 7:40, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:10 and 11:10 p. m.

ROE MOUNT VERNON. Leave Alexandria for Mount Vernon, week days at 4:45, 6:50, 7:40, 8:51, 10:25, 11:25, a. m., 12:25, 1:25, 2:25, 3:30, 4:40, 5:35, 6:30, 7:35, 8:10, 9:50, 10:50 and 11:50 p. m. Sundays—7:00, 8:20, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30 a. m., 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, 6:30, 7:30, 8:40 and 10:15 p. m.

SCHEDULE FOR ALEXANDRIA CITY CAR. Leave Ferry Wharf 8:16, 8:41, 9:10, 9:50, 10:25, 11:00, 11:35 a. m.; 12:30, 1:05, 1:35, 2:05, 2:45, 3:20, 4:05, 4:35, 5:05, 5:45, 6:30, 7:05, 7:45, 8:25, 9:00, 9:40 p. m.

MEETINGS.

NOTICE—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the UNION BUILDING COMPANY for the election of a board of directors and for such other business as may be proper, will be held at the office of the company, 123 south Royal street, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, September 20, at 11 a. m., for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting. JOSEPH H. MILANS, Secretary, sept.11,18.

THE ANNUAL meeting of the stockholders and directors of THE HARRIS & SHAPER CO. will be held at the office of the company, 123 south Royal street, Alexandria, Va., at 3 p. m., THURSDAY, September 30, 1909, by order of the president. E. A. HARRIS, Secretary, sept.11

The biggest paint bargain yet. The Fairfax Brand Paints, which are being sold out at \$2.25 per gallon. Don't miss this opportunity to get a good article at a low price. E. S. Leadbeater & Sons, Inc.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA.

Office Clerk of House of Delegates.

Proposed amendments to the Constitution of Virginia, agreed to at session of the General Assembly, 1908, and published in pursuance of section 196 of the Constitution and Act approved February 3, 1908:

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment of section 110 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next session of the general assembly.

1. Resolved, by the senate and house of delegates (a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses agreeing thereto), that the following amendment to the Constitution of Virginia be, and is hereby proposed, and is hereby referred to the general assembly at its first regular session held after the next general election of members of the house of delegates for its concurrence, in conformity with the provisions of section one hundred and ninety-six of said Constitution, namely: strike out from one hundred and ninety-six of said Constitution, section one hundred and ten, which is in the following words:

Sec. 110. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county, one county treasurer, who shall not be elected or serve for more than two consecutive terms, nor act as deputy of his immediate successor; one sheriff, one attorney for the Commonwealth, and one county clerk, who shall be the clerk of the circuit court. There shall be elected or appointed, for four years, as the general assembly may provide, commissioners of the revenue, for each county, the number, duties and compensation of whom shall be prescribed by law; but should such commissioners of the revenue be chosen by election by the people then they shall be ineligible for re-election to the office for the next succeeding term.

There shall be appointed, for each county, in such manner as may be provided by law, one superintendent of the poor, and one county surveyor.

And insert in lieu thereof the following:

110. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county, one county treasurer, one sheriff, one attorney for the Commonwealth, and one county clerk who shall be the clerk of the circuit court. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county for four years, commissioners of the revenue, for each county, the number, duties and compensation of whom shall be prescribed by law.

There shall be appointed for each county, in such manner as may be provided by law, one superintendent of the poor, and one county surveyor.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing amendments to sections 119 and 120 of article 5 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendments and certifying the same to the next general assembly.

Resolved by the senate and house of delegates (a majority of the members elected to each house agreeing), that the following amendments to the Constitution of Virginia be, and the same are hereby proposed, and referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general election of senators and members of the house of delegates for its concurrence, in conformity with the provisions of section one hundred and ninety-six of article fifteen of said Constitution, namely:

Strike out from the Constitution of Virginia section one hundred and nineteen and one hundred and twenty which are in the following words: Section 119. In every city, so long as it has a corporation court, or a separate circuit court, there shall be elected for a term of four years by the qualified voters of such city, one attorney for the Commonwealth, who shall also, in those cities having a separate circuit court, be the attorney for the Commonwealth, for such circuit court.

In every city there shall be elected, or appointed, for a term of four years, in a manner to be provided by law, one commissioner of revenue, whose duties and compensation shall be prescribed by law, but should he be elected by the people, he shall be ineligible for re-election to the office for the next succeeding term.

Section 120. In every city there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof one city treasurer, for a term of four years, but he shall not be eligible for more than two consecutive terms, nor act as deputy for his immediate successor, one city sergeant, for a term of four years, whose duties shall be prescribed by law; and a mayor, for a term of four years, who shall be the chief executive officer of such city. All city and town officers, whose election or appointment is not provided for by this town officers, whose election or appointment is not provided for by this town officers, shall be elected by the electors of such cities and towns, or of some division thereof, or appointed by such authorities thereof as the general assembly shall designate.

The mayor shall see that the duties of the various city officers, members of the police and fire departments, whether elected or appointed, in and for such city, are faithfully performed. He shall have power to investigate and may examine them and their subordinates on oath. The evidence given by persons so examined shall not be used against them in any criminal proceedings. He shall also have power to suspend such officers and the members of the police and fire departments, and to remove such officers, and also such members of said departments when authorized by the general assembly, for misconduct in office or neglect of duty, to be specified in the order of suspension or removal; but no such removal shall be made without reasonable notice to the officer complained of, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in person, or by counsel, and to present testimony in his defence. From such order of suspension or removal, the city officer so suspended or removed shall have an appeal of right to the corporation court, or if there be no such court, to the circuit court, of such city, whose decision shall be final. He shall have all the other powers and duties which may be conferred and imposed upon him by general laws.

And insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 119. In every city, so long as it has a corporation court, or a separate circuit court, there shall be elected for a term of four years by the qualified voters of such city, one attorney for the Commonwealth, who shall also, in those cities having a separate circuit court, be the attorney for the Commonwealth, for such circuit court.

In every city there shall be elected for a term of four years, in a manner to be provided by law, one commissioner of revenue, whose duties and compensation shall be prescribed by law.

Section 120. In every city there shall be elected by the qualified voters thereof one city treasurer, for a term of four years, one city sergeant, for a term of four years, whose duties shall be prescribed by law; and a mayor, for a term of four years, who shall be the chief executive officer of such city. All city and town officers, whose election or appointment is not provided for by this Constitution, shall be elected by the electors of such cities and towns, or of some division thereof, or appointed by such authorities thereof as the general assembly shall designate.

The mayor shall see that the duties of the various city officers, members of the police and fire departments, whether elected or appointed, in and for such city, are faithfully performed. He shall have power to investigate their acts, have access to all books and documents in their offices, and may examine them and their subordinates on oath. The evidence given by persons so examined shall not be used against them in any criminal proceedings. He shall also have power to suspend such officers and the members of the police and fire departments, and to remove such officers, and also such members of said departments when authorized by the general assembly, for misconduct in office or neglect of duty, to be specified in the order of suspension or removal; but no such removal shall be made without reasonable notice to the officer complained of, and an opportunity afforded him to be heard in person, or by counsel, and to present testimony in his defence. From such order of suspension or removal, the city officer so suspended or removed shall have an appeal of right to the corporation court, or if there be no such court, to the circuit court of such city, in which court the case shall be heard de novo by the judge thereof, whose decision shall be final. He shall have all the other powers and duties which may be conferred and imposed upon him by general laws.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to section 42, article 4 of the Constitution of Virginia.

Resolved, by the house of delegates, the senate concurring (a majority of the members elected to each house agreeing thereto), that the following amendment to the Constitution of Virginia be, and the same is hereby proposed, and is hereby referred to the general assembly at its first regular session held after the next general election of members of the house of delegates for its concurrence, in conformity with the provisions of section fifty of article four of said Constitution, namely:

Strike out from the Constitution of Virginia, section fifty, article four, which is in the following words: Section 50. No law shall be enacted except by bill. A bill may originate in either house, to be approved or rejected by the other, or may be amended by either, with the concurrence of the other.

No bill shall become a law unless prior to its passage it has been— (a) Referred to a committee of each house, considered by such committee in session, and reported; (b) Printed by the house in which it originated, prior to its passage therein;

(c) Read at length on three different calendar days in each house; and unless— (d) A ye a and nay vote has been taken in each house upon its final passage, the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal, and a majority of those voting, which shall include at least two-fifths of the members elected to each house, recorded in the affirmative.

And only in the manner required in subdivision (d) of this section shall an amendment to a bill by one house be concurred in by the other, or a conference report be adopted by either house, or either house discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill and consider the same as if reported; provided, that the printing and reading, or either, required in subdivisions (b) and (c) of this section, may be dispensed with in a bill to codify the laws of the State, and in any case of emergency, by a vote of four-fifths of the members voting in each house, taken by the yeas and nays, the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal; provided further, that no bill which creates or establishes a new office, or which creates, continues, or revives a debt or charge, or makes, continues, or revives any appropriation of public or trust money or property, or releases, or discharges, or commutes any claim or demand of the State, or which imposes, continues, or revives a tax, shall be passed except by the affirmative vote of the majority of all the members elected to each house, the vote to be by the yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal. Every law imposing, continuing, or reviving a tax shall specifically state such tax, and no law shall be construed as so stating such tax, which requires a reference to any other law or any other tax. The presiding officer of each house shall, in the presence of the house over which he presides, sign every bill which has been passed by both houses and duly enrolled, immediately before this is done, all other business being suspended, the title of the bill shall be publicly read. The fact of the signing shall be entered on the journal.

And insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 50. No law shall be enacted except by bill. A bill may originate in either house to be approved or rejected by the other, or may be amended by either, with the concurrence of the other.

No bill shall become a law unless prior to its passage it has been— (a) Referred to a committee of each house, considered by such committee in session, and reported; (b) Printed by the house in which it originated prior to its passage therein;

(c) Read by title on three different calendar days in each house and read at length at least once in each house; and unless— (d) A ye a and nay vote has been taken in each house upon its final passage, the names of the members voting for and against, entered on the journal, and a majority of those voting, which shall include at least two-fifths of the members elected to each house, recorded in the affirmative.

And only in the manner required in subdivision (d) of this section shall an amendment to a bill by one house be concurred in by the other, or a conference report be adopted by either house, or either house discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill and consider the same as if reported; provided, that the printing and reading, or either, required in subdivisions (b) and (c) of this section, may be dispensed with in a bill to codify the laws of the State, and in any case of emergency, by a vote of four-fifths of the members voting in each house, taken by the yeas and nays, the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal; provided further, that no bill which creates or establishes a new office, or which creates, continues, or revives a debt or charge, or makes, continues, or revives any appropriation of public or trust money or property, or releases, or discharges, or commutes any claim or demand of the State, or which imposes, continues, or revives a tax, shall be passed, except by the affirmative vote of the majority of all the members elected to each house, the vote to be by the yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal. Every law imposing, continuing, or reviving a tax shall specifically state such tax, and no law shall be construed as so stating such tax, which requires a reference to any other law or any other tax. The presiding officer of each house shall, in the presence of the house over which he presides, sign every bill which has been passed by both houses and duly enrolled, immediately before this is done, all other business being suspended, the title of the bill shall be publicly read. The fact of the signing shall be entered on the journal.

I hereby certify that the foregoing are true copies of amendments proposed to the Constitution and agreed to by the General Assembly of Virginia, session 1908, and the same are published in pursuance of section 196 of the Constitution and Act of the General Assembly, approved February 3, 1908.

JNO. W. WILLIAMS, Clerk House of Delegates of Virginia.

STREAMERS.

POTOMAC & CHESAPEAKE STEAMBOAT COMPANY. SCHEDULE IN EFFECT JUNE 17, 1909. Steamers Leave Alexandria. SUNDAY, TUESDAY and THURSDAY at 8:30 a. m. for landings from Somerset Beach to Wirt, including Poyens, Bents and Upper Machodoc Creek landings. Sunday trip to Nomin Creek landings in addition to above.

MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY at 5:30 p. m. for landings as far as E. GEWATER and PARHAM'S POINT, including the Upper Machodoc Creek, Wisconsin river landings and those in Nemini Creek.

SATURDAY at 8:30 a. m. for landings as far as NOMINI, including Wisconsin river landings.

Steamer Estelle Randall Tuesday and Thursday as far as Smith's; other days, except Saturday and Sunday as far as Grinders. Schedule subject to tide and weather and to change without notice.

BEARDON & GRIMES, Agents, Cameron Street Wharf. Call phone 50.

MARYLAND, DELAWARE AND VIRGINIA RAILWAY COMPANY. SPRING SCHEDULE. Steamers of This Line Leave Alexandria on and after WEDNESDAY, and SATURDAY at 4:30 p. m. FOR BALTIMORE AND ALL THE USUAL RIVER LANDINGS. Custom and appointments as usual. Freight for Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York solicited and handled with care. Through rates and bills of lading issued. Single fare to Baltimore, \$2.50 round trip \$3.50, steamer company, \$1.50. Meals, 50c. BEARDON & GRIMES, Agents, Foot of Cameron street.

FOR SALE.—A TRACT OF LAND near Arcletic station, Fairfax county, containing forty acres; well watered and timbered; has upon it an oak grove and a fine building site, situated close to school and church and trains pass three times a day; would make an ideal dairy farm. The land is for sale or exchange for city property. For further particulars address H. Gazette office sept.11

Leadbeater's Lubricating Liniment cures sprain—easy on the horse, 40c, 25c cents per bottle.

Be they, proposed and referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general election of members of the house of delegates for its concurrence, in conformity with the provisions of section one hundred and ninety-six of article fifteen of said Constitution, namely:

Strike out from the Constitution of Virginia section forty-six of article four, which is in the following words: Section 46. The general assembly shall meet once in two years, on the second Wednesday in January next succeeding the election of the members of the house of delegates, and not oftener unless convened in the manner prescribed by this Constitution. No session of the general assembly, after the first under this Constitution, shall continue longer than sixty days; but with the concurrence of three-fifths of the members elected to each house, the session may be extended for a period not exceeding thirty days. Except for the first session held under this Constitution, members shall be allowed a salary for not exceeding sixty days at any regular session, and for not exceeding thirty days at any extra session. Neither house shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn to another place nor for more than three days. A majority of the members elected to each house shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and shall have power to compel the attendance of members in such manner and under such penalty as each house may prescribe.

And insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 46. The general assembly shall meet once in two years, on the second Wednesday in January next succeeding the election of the members of the house of delegates and not oftener unless convened in the manner prescribed by this Constitution. No session of the general assembly shall continue longer than ninety days, except that with the concurrence of three-fifths of the members elected to each house the session may be extended for a period not exceeding thirty days. Neither house shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn to another place, nor for more than three days. A majority of the members elected to each house shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day and shall have power to compel the attendance of members in such manner and under such penalty as each house may prescribe.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing amendment to section 50 of article 4 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment, and certifying the same to the next general assembly.

Approved March 12, 1908.

1. Resolved by the house of delegates, the senate concurring (a majority of the members elected to each house agreeing thereto), that the following amendment to the Constitution of Virginia be, and the same is hereby proposed, and referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general election of members of the house of delegates for its concurrence, in conformity with the provisions of section fifty of article four of said Constitution, namely:

Strike out from the Constitution of Virginia, section fifty, article four, which is in the following words: Section 50. No law shall be enacted except by bill. A bill may originate in either house, to be approved or rejected by the other, or may be amended by either, with the concurrence of the other.

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And only in the manner required in subdivision (d) of this section shall an amendment to a bill by one house be concurred in by the other, or a conference report be adopted by either house, or either house discharge a committee from the consideration of a bill and consider the same as if reported; provided, that the printing and reading, or either, required in subdivisions (b) and (c) of this section, may be dispensed with in a bill to codify the laws of the State, and in any case of emergency, by a vote of four-fifths of the members voting in each house, taken by the yeas and nays, the names of the members voting for and against entered on the journal; provided further, that no bill which creates or establishes a new office, or which creates, continues, or revives a debt or charge, or makes, continues, or revives any appropriation of public or trust money or property, or releases, or discharges, or commutes any claim or demand of the State, or which imposes, continues, or revives a tax, shall be passed except by the affirmative vote of the majority of all the members elected to each house, the vote to be by the yeas and nays, and the names of the members voting for and against, entered on the journal. Every law imposing, continuing, or reviving a tax shall specifically state such tax, and no law shall be construed as so stating such tax, which requires a reference to any other law or any other tax. The presiding officer of each house shall, in the presence of the house over which he presides, sign every bill which has been passed by both houses and duly enrolled, immediately before this is done, all other business being suspended, the title of the bill shall be publicly read. The fact of the signing shall be entered on the journal.

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