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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria—Happenings in Society.

Miss Helen Fairfax, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Fairfax, and James T. Pulman, were married Thursday night at the rectory of Grace Church by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector.

Mr. G. Edwin Entwisle, formerly of this city, but now residing in Baltimore, is in the city on a visit to his old home.

Mr. J. Ellis Norris, a native of this city, who is now manager of the R. G. Dun and Company's Commercial Agency, in Havana, Cuba, is on a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Norris.

Edgar Warfield, Sr., adjutant of R. E. Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans, has been appointed a member of the standing committee on Good of the Grand Camp by S. Griffin, grand commander of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia.

Miss Elizabeth Compton Grehan, daughter of Mrs. H. B. Grehan, an William J. Greenan, both of this city, were married Wednesday night at the parsonage of St. Mary's Catholic Church, by Rev. L. F. Kelly, the assistant.

Miss Bertie May Butcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Butcher, of this city, and Louis K. Byers, of Washington, were married Thursday night at the parsonage of the First Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. W. F. Watson, pastor, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Byers will reside in this city.

A dansant was given yesterday afternoon in the hall of the new Richmond Theater.

R. P. Robertson, an attaché of Swift and Company, this city, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, in Newport News, Va.

Miss Margaret Wood, of Charlottesville is visiting Miss Gretta Ludwig, at her home in Braddock Heights.

Miss Esther P. Mansfield left this morning for New York City to be the guest of Miss Ada Jackson, for the next several weeks.

PROPOSED NEW BRIDGE.
 Representative Carlin's Bill Provides for Expenditure of \$1,500,000

Construction of a new bridge over the Potomac to replace the inadequate Aqueduct bridge has been the subject of several conferences recently between Secretary of War Garrison and Representative Carlin, of Virginia, who has introduced a bill providing for such a bridge to cost \$1,500,000.

At request of Representative Carlin, General Kingman, chief of the engineer corps of the army, has made an investigation, and has reported through Secretary Garrison that the proposed bridge west of Thirty-fourth street, would not interfere with river navigation. The amount named in the bill is adequate, the report says, for the construction of a bridge along the lines indicated.

Secretary Garrison said he was not well enough acquainted with local condition to make recommendation of a specific site. The necessary survey can be made only by express direction of Congress.

The SURPRISE THEATER TODAY'S PICTURES

Domino Two Part Feature
A Political Feud
 Seeing that in the matter of opportunities all are not born free and equal.

Keystone Comedy
Fatty's Magic Pants
 Lescage Arbuckle on the trail of his lost dress suit.

American Special Production.
The Silent Way
 In which an Indian abducts a white girl for her own good. Featuring Ed Coxen and Winifred Greenwood.

Essanay Comedy
Sweedie and The Hypnotist
 Selig Drama

Romance of a Mounted Policeman.
The Fates, and Ryan

COMING
 Monday December 28th
The Million Dollar Mystery
 A two part Keystone

CHRISTMAS DAY SIR KNIGHTS' CELEBRATE

Many Persons Attend Churches Where Services Appropriate to Occasion Were Held.

The Christmas of 1914 was probably one of the quietest ever seen hereabouts. The frigid weather kept the great majority around stoves most of the day. The programs of exercises in the churches were carried out, and large congregations were present.

Sunday conditions prevailed, and there was practically no animation on the streets. The sun was hidden throughout the day, and there was every indication that the snow which fell Thursday would be augmented. The Weather Bureau early in the day predicted blizzard weather by night. The forecast announced that a furious snow storm was prevailing south of Virginia and that it was heading this way, and that by midnight snow and high winds would be in evidence. The wind moaned throughout the night, but there was no more snow, and this morning the sky was clear and the weather cold, the mercury hovering about the ten mark.

It appears that the storm was diverted through the night, and when it reached Southwest Virginia it passed out to sea.

The Mayor's order concerning the use of explosives was, in the main, obeyed. A few small powdercrackers only were heard during the day.

As is usual on Christmas night, there were numerous private parties in different sections of the city, and according to the old Virginia custom many persons kept "open houses" during the day and part of the night.

The annual Christmas celebration of the Elks was carried out according to program and the committee, in charge desire to express their thanks to William Jorg, of the Corby Bakery, for a liberal donation of bread to George W. Schwarzmann and the officers of Old Dominion Glass Works, and to James Patterson, Jr., of Patterson's Express, for assistance rendered in distributing the baskets.

HELD FOR GRAND JURY
 Stolen Watch in Possession of Negro Identified by Owner.

In the capture of Milton Steward, a colored man, and Kossuth Williams, a colored boy, 15 years old, the police believe that they have two of the gang who have been responsible for a number of robberies during the past two months. Williams was arrested Thursday afternoon after he had attempted to pawn a gold watch, he said that the watch had been given him by Steward who later was taken in custody. The watch was afterwards identified as having been stolen from the residence of M. L. Rishell on December 5th. Both were held for the action of the grand jury.

At a Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria continued and held at the Court House of said City on Thursday, December 24th, 1914, Present, Hon. Louis C. Barley, Judge vs. Pannic C. Wood Mason, Complainant vs. Frank Mason, Defendant.

An affidavit having been duly made as required by law, that the defendant is a non resident of the State of Virginia, and that he cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the Sergeant having made a return upon the original process of summons issued herein that the defendant is a non resident of his bailiwick and application having been duly made in open court for an order of publication against the defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years, and an order of publication having been duly granted in open court, it is therefore ordered that the said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years and to do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Va., and that a copy be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: No. 311 East King St. Lancaster, Pa., as stated in the application for his order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk of this court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the court house of this court on or before the next rule day of this court.

A copy. Teste:
 NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk
 Robinson Monroe, P. Q.

In accordance with the custom of Knights Templars all over the United States, members of Old Dominion Commandery, No. 14, Knights Templar, met in their asylum in Masonic Temple yesterday at noon and partook of a Christmas toast to Sir Arthur McArthur, grand master of Knights Templar in the United States. In the absence of the eminent commander, W. B. Davis, the toast was proposed by Claude W. Fletcher, generalissimo.

A toast was also proposed to the grand commander of Knights Templar of Virginia, to Charles T. Lindsey, of Alexandria, grand commander of Knights Templar of the District of Columbia, and to Messrs. James E. Alexander and E. E. Downham, of Alexandria, past grand commanders of Virginia. Fraternal greetings were received from and extended to Orient Commandery, No. 5, of the District of Columbia.

The toast to Grand Master McArthur and the response were as follows:
 To Our Most Eminent Grand Master, Arthur Mac Arthur:

With the recurrence of the anniversary of the birth of Him who came to the world as the Prince of Peace, we His followers view with deep distress the conflict that is engaging our brethren over seas, and turn with loyal and loving hearts to our gracious Redeemer, praying that His spirit may continue to lead us ever and always in the paths of righteousness and peace.

The response was as follows:
 Sir Knights:

Within the hallowed precincts of that holy house in which we, in spirit, as Templars dwell, comes the joyful confidence of peace and brotherly love towards all mankind. This home, whose beneficent influences surround, guard and protect us and whose teachings are of the inspired Prince of Peace, our Guide our Comforter, and our Redeemer, is the result of the application of His teachings in our daily walk of life.

We, of the mighty hosts of Templars in this country, in full appreciation and with full thankfulness, should offer, with overflowing hearts, in this season of Christmas rejoicing, a prayer of thanksgiving that to us there has been granted the blessings of peace and that we dwell in security and hark in the smile of His wonderful love. But to that prayer also should be added the spirit of the Christmas season, the glory of doing unto others as we should have them do unto us.

The day and generation in which we are active factors demand that to those who need our help, and to those who are in suffering and in want a Christian spirit should prevail in a practical way. Our hands and our hearts should glory in the demonstration of the teachings of the Prince of Peace. At home and at our very doorstep the poor we have always with us. The widow, the orphan and the friendless can be cheered and comforted. Abroad where war's devastation has laid its heavy hand, our prayers, and above all, our charity should be a welcome visitor.

May true Christian Knighthood exist, not only throughout this broad land of ours, but throughout the world. May brotherly love prevail, and may that knightly fellowship the true application of which is the foundation of the teachings of our Order, be paramount in all the actions of man toward his brother man.

May the Great Captain of our Salvation hasten the day when the Path-erhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man shall be universal on this footstool.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.
 The Christmas celebration of the beginners and primary grades of the M. E. Church South was held this afternoon in the Young People's Building, when presents were distributed to the children. On Monday night the Christmas festival of the main Sunday school will be held in the Young People's Building.

MASONIC NOTICE.
 A called communication of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, A. F. and A. M., will be held tonight, Saturday, December 26th, at 7 o'clock for work.
 By Order of the Worshipful Master, 26-31. A. G. Uhler, Secretary.

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 The best assortment of garments we have ever offered in any similar event.

Many boys are fortunate at Christmas to have it bring them gifts of money, and yet be in real need of suits and overcoats. Others have no immediate needs but take advantage of reductions to anticipate their wants at savings. To both classes, and to all boys who want the best clothes—and economically—this Clearance sale appeals very strongly.

Ready for the New Year

At the beginning of each new year many changes in business and personal affairs are proposed.

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 Renting a new house or apartment
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Coasting—The entrancing four act drama "One Wonderful Night," featuring Mr. Francis X. Bushman in a vividly beautiful scenic production, Tuesday, December Twenty-ninth, Nineteen Hundred and Fourteen.

TO-NIGHTS PROGRAM.

WAS HIS DECISION RIGHT?
 A two part Lubin feature of human interest.
THEIR SOLDIER BOY Biograph
BUSTER BROWN'S UNCLE Edison

THE GREATER LOVE

Featuring Mr. James Morrison Mr George Cooper a pretty Miss Dorothy Kelly (A strange and wonderful story of self abnegation for the sake of the woman loves).
 And a comedy not yet received for announcement.

FREE MATINEE PERFORMANCE
 The public of Alexandria and vicinity is cordially invited to attend performance to be given absolutely FREE at the Richmond on the afternoon of December 28th from 2 to 5 o'clock. ALL WELCOME. Change of pictures at night.