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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 1920.

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## FRENCH ARMY WILL OCCUPY FRANKFORT

### German City in Neutral Zone Will Be Taken Today

## TAKE DIRECT ACTION

### Millerand Precipitates Crisis By Re- solving To Direct Action on the Part of France

Mayence, April 6.—The French troops will occupy Frankfort early today. Some detachments have already started.

Paris, April 6.—France once more has delegated to Marshal Foch the task of guarding her frontiers and is placing her reliance for German observance of the peace treaty upon French military power.

In abandoning the machinery of the international diplomacy and resorting to "direct action" of her military machine France has precipitated a crisis in Allied relations. But Premier Millerand and his Government have the complete support of French public opinion.

With latest reports telling of thousands of German troops continuing their march into the Ruhr district, the French public is keyed to a higher pitch than at any time since the armistice. There has long been a feeling that France was being deserted by her Allies insofar as enforcement of the treaty is concerned. Millerand has complete support in his decision practically to ignore the United States, England and other powers in forcing Germany to observe the treaty terms as regards occupation of the neutral territory on the right bank of the Rhine.

While Premier Millerand has notified the other Allied and Associated powers of the military action France intends to take, there is no doubt in Paris that this was merely done as a matter of diplomatic courtesy, and that the French Government will proceed with its program whether the Allies approve or disapprove. Some definite word is expected from England hourly, now that the British Ministers have returned from their Easter holidays.

Through Charge von Mayer, Germany has protested against the advance of the French troops, by the delivery of notes to both the British and American Embassies. In view of President Wilson's previous approval of the entrance of the Germans into the Ruhr, his response to the German protest naturally is awaited with interest.

France fully realizes that in deciding upon coercive measures, she is acting in defiance of Wilson, but every expression of the French press is clearly to the effect that the United States cannot expect to dictate as to matters so vitally affecting France when America, so far, has refused to accept the treaty, which Germany is endeavoring to ignore by failure to observe some of its terms and openly violating others.

Under present circumstances it is understood that Germany has 24 hours in which to cease the movement of troops into the neutral zone.

## MOOSE BALL

The Golden Apple Ball given by the Loyal Order of Moose at the Odd Fellows' Hall last evening was largely attended. At ten o'clock there was a grand march and each person received an apple, two of which contained two and one half dollar pieces. The lucky lady was Miss Thelma E. Atwell, of 225 South Payne street. Mr. R. C. Kelly, of 719 Gibbon street, was the other lucky person.

## WORD OWNERS

OUR MOTTO—If it is done at Renschel's, it must be done right. 73-7f.

## NOTICE—REWARD

A reward of \$100 will be paid for the recovery of the goods stolen and the arrest and conviction of the thieves who entered the store of J. Blankin, 622 King street on the morning of March 31.

## ACCIDENT LAST NIGHT

### Automobile in Charge of Benj. Waters Strikes Car Driven by George White

Among the cases before the Police Court this morning was that of Benjamin Waters, who was charged by George White with running his automobile into the machine driven by the plaintiff near the northwest corner of King and Washington streets last night. White alleged that he was moving west on King street when his car was struck by an automobile driven by Waters, who had been proceeding east on King street, but which had suddenly turned towards the north for the purpose of entering Washington street. One of the witnesses for the complainant testified that Waters' car was on the wrong side of the street when the collision occurred.

Waters insisted that White's car collided with his machine, and that he (Waters) was forced to run to the left in order to avoid an excavation which had been made at the intersection of the two streets.

The court decided that Waters was responsible for the accident and the damage which had resulted, but imposed no fine, assuming that the expense incurred by the defendant was a sufficient outlay.

White's car was badly damaged.

## Officers Chosen

### T. P. A. Also Elects Delegates and Alternates to State Convention

Post F. Travelers Protective Association at its annual meeting held last night elected these officers to serve for the ensuing year: J. William May, president; J. H. Trimyer, secretary-treasurer; W. W. Ballenger, first vice president; O. H. Kirk, second vice president; Harry Hammond, third vice president; S. W. Pitts, fourth vice president; Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison, chaplain.

Committee-chairmen Railroad, A. D. Brockett; press, R. E. Knight; hotel Alfred Thomson; legislative, Julian Y. Williams; good roads, C. C. Lamond; membership, T. Harvey Henshaw; employment, V. W. Boswell.

Delegates chosen to the state convention which will be held in Lynchburg, May 7 and 8 follow: J. William May, John H. Trimyer, Amos Clift, Llewellyn Dyson, Harvey Henshaw, C. C. Lamond, Alfred Thomson, H. Kirk, A. D. Brockett, T. A. Sommers, M. E. Greene, W. W. Ballenger, R. E. Knight, Robert S. Jones, H. Nee Garner, Charles T. Nicholson.

Alternates named are as follows: Julian Y. Williams, O. H. Kirk, Frank B. Howard, Wallace Lindsey, Hunt Russell, R. M. Graham, Kenneth W. Ogden, R. M. Chichester, George D. Hopkins, W. A. Smoot, Harry Hammond, P. C. Crilly, Robert F. Downham, Mark L. Price.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

As has been announced before the senior class of the A. H. S. will play in "Green Stockings" at the high school auditorium three nights this week. Tomorrow night will be the initial performance and the show will start at 8.15. Following is the cast of characters:

Admiral Grice (retired) a testy old gentleman of about 65, with the manner of an old sea dog, Frederick West. William Faraday. A well preserved man of about 65. Fashionable, superficial and thoroughly selfish, Magnus Bales.

Colonel Smith, a dignified, dryly humorous man of military bearing, about 40 years old, Herbert Knight. Robert Turner, an empty-headed young swell, Milton Starnell.

Henry Steele and James Raleigh, two young men of about 30 and 35 respectively, William McGraw and Emmett Lawler.

Martin, a dignified old family servant, Everett James. Celia Faraday, an unaffected woman of 29, with a sense of humor, Lynda Carver.

Madge (Mrs. Rockingham) and Evelyn (Lady Trenchard) handsome, well dressed, fashionable of 25 and 27 respectively, Mildred Lloyd and Hilda Noonan.

Phyllis, the youngest sister, a charming and pretty, but thoughtlessly selfish girl of 20, Inez Moore. Mrs. Chisholm Faraday, of Chicago. (Aunt Ida), a florid, quick-tempered, warm-hearted woman of about 50, Laury Blawett.

## DECISION GIVEN WATER FRONT SUIT

### Low Water Mark Given as Boundary by Court

## U. S. SUPREME COURT

### Considerable Interest Here — Suit Pending Since 1912 When Cove Was Filled in by Government.

Considerable interest is attached to the decision just handed down by Justice Van Orsdel in the suit of ejection brought by the government against the Marine Railway and Coal Company for the possession of one and four-tenths acres of land abutting the property of the foregoing company.

The decision gives the boundary as low water mark.

Attorney James R. Caton, of this city, who represents the Marine Railway and Coal Company in the suit stated today that he has not yet read the decision, and, therefore, cannot tell just what it means. He, however, stated today that he has not yet read the decision taken to the United States Supreme Court of Appeals.

In this suit Attorney Caton claims that the boundary line is the retaining line running to Jones Point to the old Marine Railway and Coal Company's place and the government contends that the line is high water mark in the cove.

From what he read in the newspaper he said the decision just handed down gives the claimants nearly all they asked for. However, he said the case would be appealed.

According to Mr. Caton if this decision means that the line is to be low water mark as it existed in 1784 it would effect the whole river front property of Alexandria and also the wharf property. He, however, added, "I have not yet read the opinion and cannot give any definite statement as to its effect."

This suit has been pending in the courts since 1912 and a total of about forty-seven acres are involved which is claimed by different property owners.

The case was brought to a head in 1912 when the government after filling in what is known as Battery Cove put up a wire fence enclosing the property. The Marine Railway and Coal Co. acting on the advice of their counsel removed the fence and this started the litigation, the government being anxious to test the case.

The appellate court, however, directs a modification of the decree of the District Supreme Court be made so as to restore to the United States only the land reclaimed riverward of the mean line of low-water mark or the Virginia shore. This deprives the government, it is said, of a little less than one-twentieth of the land given to it by the lower court.

## To Resell Shipyard

### Plant of General Shipbuilding Corporation to go Under Hammer April 29

Creditors of the General Shipbuilding Corporation at a meeting held this morning at the office of Charles Henry Smith, referee in bankruptcy, objected to the sale of the real estate of that company as set forth in the report of Louis N. Duffey, trustee, and their objection was sustained.

The property of this plant was ordered resold April 29 at noon and at that time it is expected there will be more bidders than at the first sale.

The property was sold by the court March 3 at public auction and knocked down to Herbert Bryant's Son for the sum of \$41,500.

## NOTICE

Owing to the steadily increasing cost of white paper and other things that go into the production of a newspaper, the price of the Gazette for single copies at the office and at newsstands beginning April 1 will be two cents. The price delivered by carrier will be thirty-five cents per month as heretofore.

## TODAY'S PRIMARY SOON A MEMORY

### A Total of 1,028 Votes Polled Up To 3 O'clock This Afternoon

## BIG CROWD AT POLLS

### Looks as if Less Than 1800 Will be Cast Unless Very Heavy Vote Between Now and Closing time.

A big vote is being polled in today's primary for the purpose of nominating a mayor, four members of the board of aldermen and eight members of the common council.

Up to 3 o'clock this afternoon a total of 1,028 votes has been polled.

The votes by wards follow:  
First ..... 226  
Second ..... 268  
Third ..... 280  
Fourth ..... 254

Total ..... 1,028

There are about 2,200 persons qualified to participate in the primary and that about 1,800 votes will be cast. From the time of the opening of the polls this morning, the election has been active. The early vote was wanted and it was obtained by the various candidates.

The race for mayoralty honors is paramount. It is the chief center of attraction. The three candidates are: Capt. Albert Bryan, James M. Duncan and W. J. McCaffrey.

The candidates, and their friends have been around the polls since they opened this morning and a large number of motor vehicles have been employed in bringing the voters to and from the polls.

The rivalry has been unusually keen and although there has been no disorder at any of the voting places, it being simply a good natured family affair.

The polls will close at 6:36 o'clock this evening and between now and closing time many more votes are expected to be cast.

Not in recent years has such great interest been displayed as there has in this contest which was inaugurated several months ago. The various candidates since they threw their hats into the ring have been making a quiet and active canvass.

A number of the candidates for common council also have made a canvass and in some wards there is a warm fight for honors for council, this being so in the second ward where there are five candidates to pick from. For common council, two are to be chosen from each ward. It is expected that the result of the election will be known by 8 o'clock tonight.

## PRICES ARE AT TOP LEVEL.

### Armour Says Meat Cost is Not Going Higher

Kansas City, Mo., April 6.—J. Ogden Armour, whose opinion on the price of meat should be better than that of anybody else on earth, said yesterday.

## LADIES NIGHT

### Andrew Jackson Lodge of Masons to Celebrate Tomorrow Night

Arrangements have been completed for a ladies night entertainment which will be given at 7:45 o'clock tomorrow night by Andrew Jackson Lodge of Masons in the auditorium of the Elks' Home.

The committee in charge has prepared a program of fun which will include the conferring of the degree entitled "The Most Royal Order of Bricklayers," a farcical degree written, arranged and to be conferred by the "baby" Masons of this lodge. Songs will be given by the Seminole quartet. C. H. Callahan will deliver a lecture on Mount Vernon.

All Masons and their ladies are invited to be present.

## DIED

### CROCKETT

On Monday night, April 5, 1920, at the residence of his parents, at 1123 King street, Earl S. Crockett, aged 23 years, survived by a wife and two children. Funeral Wednesday at 2 p. m., from the residence. (Washington papers please copy.)

## CONFERENCE OF M. E. CHURCH SOUTH

### Begins Tomorrow in Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington

## CHURCH IN THIS CITY

### One of the Most Prosperous Years in its History—Membership Now One Thousand—\$18,000 Collected

The 136th session of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, of which the Washington street Church of this city is a part, will begin tomorrow at Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington, D. C. at nine o'clock A. M. Bishop E. R. Hendrix will preside. Rev. E. V. Regester, pastor and Nevell S. Greenaway, Lay Delegate, will represent the Church of this city. The other lay delegates from this city who will attend are James E. Alexander, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, and J. Frank Myers, of Epworth League Board.

The Church in this city has had one of the most prosperous years in its history; its religious activities have covered every phase of Church work and the pastor, Rev. E. V. Regester, is receiving the congratulations, not only of his own flock, but of the members of all denominations upon his successful pastorate.

Twenty-six new members were received last Sunday, bringing the present membership up to one thousand; with several others who have signified their intention of uniting later.

During the year 148 new members have been added to the Church, making the net increase ninety-six. Forty five of these new members were from the Sabbath school.

The Sabbath school is the largest in the city, having an enrollment, in all departments, of 895.

The amount raised by the membership during the year for all purposes is a little over \$18,000, and the Church will go up to Conference with every item paid in full. The indebtedness of \$3,000 on the Young People's Building has been entirely wiped out, and \$1,300 has been expended on Church improvements.

## IN MEMORIAM

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear beloved daughter, Edna Margaret Gaine, who passed away to eternal rest one year ago today, April 6, 1919.

Our hearts are lonely without you, We miss your sunshine and love, But we feel your spirit around us, Though you live with angles above. You left us a noble example, Unselfish service in life, And when one by one we are summoned, From this life to happiness true, We know at the gate you'll be waiting, To greet us anew.

By her loving father and mother, Courtland and Ruth Gaines.

## DEMAND FOR IDLE HOURS

### Striking Street Car Operators Want Pay at Advanced Rate for All Time Out

Toledo, Ohio, April 6.—Striking street car men yesterday demanded \$6 a day for the time they are out of work as the result of suspension of car service due to the refusal of C. Council to permit a fare increase to take care of a wage boost. The men expected the city to compensate the it was said.

## FOR CHIROPRACTIC ADJUSTMENTS, call on the Doctor at 624 King street. For men, women and children. 64-c o d f f

## POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

I respectfully solicit your support for Mayor of the City Subject to Democratic Primary Tuesday, April 6, 1920

ALBERT BRYAN  
14 years a member of city council.  
12 years chairman of finance committee.

5 years police commissioner. 78-6c

## H. W. CAMPBELL SHOWS

With unfavorable weather and other difficulties dispelled, the H. W. Campbell Shows are continuing their preparations towards the opening of the Red Men's Spring festival billed as Alexandria's biggest amusement of the year.

Colross lot and the surrounding neighborhood, presents quite an unusual scene of activity, as a small army of men assisted by many teams of horses, and huge motor trucks the properties of the H. W. Campbell Co., are preparing their many tents, booths and other properties that go to make up the biggest circus and wild animal exposition ever offered to the local public.

The H. W. Campbell Shows, come heralded and praised by the newspapers of the towns recently visited by the shows—as the biggest and cleanest type of shows and exhibitions to visit the Southeastern states.

The shows which are new and novel are devoid of any feature that would appear as objectionable to the most sensitive mind. On the other hand there are many points of an educational bearing to be seen amongst the many shows presented.

A feature of yesterday, which will be repeated twice daily, was the splendid concert rendered by the show band and vocal soloists. The music and singing was excellent and was highly enjoyed by the many who made their appreciation felt with well deserved outbursts of applause throughout the entire concert.

A feature scheduled for today, is a magnificent street parade on the downtown streets.

## VESTRYMEN CHOSEN

At a meeting of the congregation of Grace Episcopal Church held last night the following were chosen vestrymen: C. N. Moore, Frank T. King, Charles J. Deahl, C. A. Shaffer, W. H. Thorpe, J. L. Stafford, H. E. Arnold, A. M. Simpson, W. C. Lynch, Chas. W. King, George M. Reynolds.

Afterward following were elected officers: C. N. Moore, senior warden; C. E. Cox, junior warden; Frank T. King, secretary-treasurer; Charles W. King, delegate to council.

## FINED FIVE DOLLARS EACH

### Automobilists Ran Over Horse at Fire Several Days Ago

At a special session of the Police Court last night two men were arraigned at the instance of Kenneth W. Ogden, Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, on the charge of running automobiles over horse at the foot of Wolfe street several days ago. The horse were attached to a plug at the southwest corner of Wolfe and Union streets, and while the fire was in progress the accused ran their automobiles over them, after one of the offenders had been warned by members of the department who were at work.

H. Noel Garner, Corporation Attorney appeared in behalf of the city. The law provides that in case any person cuts, damages or defaces horse while a fire is in progress a fine of \$50 shall be imposed. The court, however, construed the law as applying to persons who might act maliciously, and the parties arraigned had not manifested such a spirit. A penalty of \$5 was imposed upon each.

## NOTICE

### Carpenter and helper wanted. Apply to Alexandria Manufacturing Co., 2nd floor, Gazette Building.

## CONCERT BY ALUMNAE

### Will be Given at St. Mary's Academy Friday

St. Mary's Alumnae has arranged for a concert which will be given Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock at St. Mary's Academy. Participants will include well-known local and Washington talent, and the committee in charge promise a musical treat to those who attend.

Tickets may be obtained from members of the alumnae or at the drug store of J. E. W. Timberman, King and Washington streets.

## THE STORK LEFT TWINS

Yes, the General Tire and Exide Battery. You will be pleased with either. If you can afford both, they will be a joy forever.

## JESTER'S

923 KING STREET

## HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

### Easter services will be held in the Jewish Temple at 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening.

### The initiatory degree of the order will be conferred Wednesday night by Sarepta Lodge of Odd Fellows.

### Another Virginia concern just chartered is the Taylor Truck Company of Alexandria headed by Fred Taylor, of Sollers, Md.

### The Ladies Moose Heart Legion will be instituted tonight at McBurney's Hall, King and Washington streets, at 7:30 o'clock.

### The regular monthly meeting of the American Legion has been postponed from tomorrow, Wednesday evening, to Friday, at the Chamber of Commerce.

### The dance last night in the Elks' Auditorium of the Knickerbocker Club was a most enjoyable affair and dancing was kept up until a late hour.

### Mrs. Charles Creighton Carlin will entertain tomorrow afternoon from 4 to 6, at her home, 215 north Washington street, in honor of Mrs. A. Mitchell Palmer.

### The Woman's Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. F. O. Purvis, 216 South St. Asaph street, Tuesday, at 8 p. m. A full attendance is urgently requested.

### The election of officers by R. E. Lee Camp Confederate Veterans, was postponed last night until the next regular monthly meeting. Only routine business was disposed of last night.

### The Mason Dixon Players will hold an important rehearsal at the Community Center tonight at 7:45 in preparation for the May Ball. All members are urgently requested to be present.

### The Jubilee Social Club will hold its Easter dance Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall, North Columbus street. This dance will no doubt prove as complete a success as all former affairs of this popular organization.

### In the circuit court for this city in vacation the will of James Elliott, dated September 3, 1919, has been admitted to probate. Testator leaves his estate to relatives and names George H. Hatcher, of 433 1-2 Sixth street, southwest, Washington, as executor.

### Miss Ruth Thompson Howell, who has spent the past two years working in Lenox Hill Settlement, New York, is now in this city and will take up her work among girls here. Miss Howell is temporarily located with Dr. Kate Waller Barrett, at 408 Duke street.

### The first Community Center Euchre will be held Thursday, April 8th, at the Center on Duke and Royal streets. The new furniture will be in use at this time, and an unusually good time is promised. Tickets may be obtained at the center or from Mrs. Norris Roland, chairman of the committee.

### Frank L. Ballenger and others have sold to Mrs. Mary Emma Simpson and husband a house and lot on the south side of Queen between Royal and Pitt streets; William L. Norford and wife have sold to Robert L. Kane one half interest in the Humphreys Hotel on the north side of Cameron between Royal and Fairfax streets.

### Earl Crockett, 23 years old, died last night after a long illness, at the residence of his father, Hugh S. Crockett, 1123 King street. He is survived by his wife and two children. The deceased was employed as a clerk at the Potomac yards. The funeral will be held from the residence at 2 p. m., Wednesday, conducted by the Rev. Dr. P. P. Phillips. Burial will be in Bethel cemetery.