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TODAY'S THOUGHT My days among the dead are passed; around me I behold, where'er these casual eyes are cast, the mighty minds of old; my never-failing friends are they, with whom I converse day by day. Southey.

OUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

An item in Wednesday's Gazette, in the news columns, is worthy of more than passing attention. We refer to the meeting of the Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, on Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was apparently one of general interest to the entire membership. The establishment of the ferry service between this city and the Maryland shore at Fox's Ferry is of such preponderant importance to this city and its twenty thousand people that its initiation will mean the turning of a new leaf in the history of Alexandria. We know of nothing on the near or distant horizon that portends such a degree of prosperity to our citizens. The opening up of miles upon miles of fertile truck-gardens to our own markets means greater health to our people and an additional and powerful incentive to others to make a home in Alexandria. The affording of free and facile access to our stocks of merchandise, equal in display, variety and price, if not in size, to those of Washington. The creating of a new metropolis, with its Great White Way brilliantly illuminated at night; our enterprising Moving Picture Houses; our beautiful park—to come sometime in the future—with its band of music; our municipal wharf built out into the breeze-laden waters of the Potomac; our other attractions which will arrive in due sequence; all these will go to make a new Alexandria;—a more prosperous and thriving Alexandria that shall be known nation-wide as the Gateway to the South; the Queen City of the Old Dominion; unrivalled in its historic attractions; and without superior, midway between the north and south, as a resort and resting-place for the traveler.

At the same meeting were taken up other matters of great importance to Alexandria, and an address was made by a Richmond visitor in behalf of good roads. The query the Gazette wishes to make, is: Why cannot the whole membership enjoy these sessions? Why not have a meeting of all the members oftener, say at least six times a year? We send our reporter almost daily to get the news of the activities of our most important civic body, and print whatever is vouchsafed for our information! Our columns are at all times open to it—news and editorial. The Chamber of Commerce has some five hundred members and they are en-

titled to all the news all the time. The Gazette is the only means of publicity unless the meetings are held oftener and thrown open to the entire membership. It is not enough that the different bureaus work on their particular matters; the Chamber, to function most efficiently, should have unanimity of action in the whole body.

We congratulate President Smoot on the good work of his administration thus far. We are fully convinced that he will put over the Fox's Ferry project during his present term of office. We are likewise sure that he will agree with us that the entire membership should convene oftener. The present magnificent showing is largely due to his untiring efforts last spring. The enthusiasm has not diminished one whit; but it should have a more frequent opportunity to express itself.

HIGH SCHOOL MOVIES

All those interested in the acquisition of a motion picture projector for the High School are invited to attend the exhibition tonight at the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce. The style of projector that it is purposed to acquire, will be used and a number of very interesting educational films exhibited. The plan is in operation in dozens of other cities no larger than Alexandria, and it would certainly be a valuable educational aid to our own schools. The public-spirited citizens who have the matter in charge are to be congratulated on their active interest in the welfare of the city's school-children. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance tonight at the Chamber of Commerce.

WOMEN, MEN'S SUPERIORS

(For the Gazette.)

Women's intuition is greater than that of men.

Women are less sensitive to pain than men and actually feel less of it in a given operation.

Women are more modest and spiritual than men, and, therefore, less prone to acts of immorality.

Women are more symmetrically formed than men, and, therefore, are more graceful and beautiful.

Women go to sleep less quickly than men, but sleep more soundly, and if in normal health, sleep longer.

Women are more sharp-witted than men. The reason is that their thyroid glands are, as a rule, more active.

Women are men's superiors when it comes to feeling the cold. They can remain in bathing longer and suffer less from exposure.

Women stammerers are fewer than men stammerers. There are only about one-fourth as many women who stammer as men thus troubled.

STATE NEWS

(Continued from page one.)

sisted of three large frame buildings, containing about 20,000 apple barrels and great stores of raw material. Prompt work of firemen kept the flames from spreading to immense oils and gasoline tanks not far distant. A dozen or more firemen were overcome by the intense heat (which also delayed traffic on the Pennsylvania railroad.

Camp Humphreys Notes

A seven pound son, Lawrence Hatton Keiton was born to Major and Mrs. Norris C. Kelton on August 29th.

Captain Daniel Noce returned from Walter Reed Hospital on Monday, August 29th. He expects Mrs. Noce to arrive here on Wednesday, August 31st. They will occupy Quarters Y-27.

Companies C. and F. of the 19th Engineers, marched to the Rifle Range August 28th for the annual target practice and tests of efficiency in marksmanship. They will remain at the range until about September 20th, when they will return

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and other companies will take their place.

Communion service will be held at the Camp Chapel next Sunday at 11:00 a. m., by Chaplain Perry O. Wilcox. Roman Catholic mass will be said at the Camp Gymnasium at the same hour. Bible School meets at the Camp Chapel every Sunday at

10:00 a. m.

The Liberty Theatre announces the following program for next week:

Monday, September 5th, Dorothy Gish in "Flying Pat."

Pathe News and Rolin Comedy.

Tuesday, September 6th, Monte Blue in "The Kentuckians," and Fox

Wednesday, September 7th Edith Bennett in "Silk Hosiery."

Comedy "Kids is Kids" and Pathe News.

Thursday, September 8th All Star Caste n "The Inside of the Cup," and Bray Pictograph 439.

Friday, September 9th, Ethel Clayton in "Sins of Rosanna."

Mutt and Jeff Comedy, "Let 'er

Go."

Saturday, September 10th, Thos. Meighan in "Frontier of the Stars" and comedy "Ship Ahoy."

The usual mass meeting will be held on Sunday evening, September 4th with community singing and motion pictures, the feature being, "Why Change Your Wife."

Beginning Tuesday, Sept. 6th, store opens 8:30 a. m., closes 6 p. m., except Saturday. SWAN BROS ALEXANDRIA'S LARGEST DEPARTMENT STORE New Fall styles now on display. Come in and see them.

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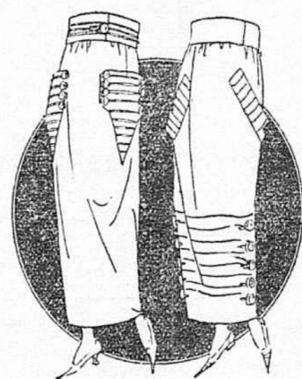
Here is our remaining stock of highest grade summer dresses, popular silks, organdies and other materials than will be worn for several weeks yet. And the prices that are quoted will surely move every garment before closing time tomorrow night.

Four summer silk dresses, regular \$25.00 and \$29.50 values, specially priced for tomorrow, each ... \$12.50

Six summer silk dresses, the kind that sold at \$39.50 to \$59.50, specially priced Saturday at ... \$14.98

Organdy and voile dresses, all colors, \$8.98 to \$12.50 values, special for Saturday only, each ... \$2.98

Dress Skirts of Exceptional Appeal



There are but three items in this lot of dress skirts but they carry an irresistible appeal that cannot be denied. Come in tomorrow and look over the great values in all departments.

Women's fine silk dress skirts, the kind that sold at \$12.50 to \$19.50, special Saturday ... \$7.50

One all-wool plaid skirt, circular model, sold regularly for \$15.00, special at ... \$7.50

Four white tub skirts, were excellent values at \$4.98, on sale, special tomorrow, at ... \$1.98

Four cloth skirts, all-wool materials, regular \$12.50 to \$19.50 values, special Saturday ... \$5.98

Waists

Eight women's fancy tub silk waists, regular \$3.50 and \$3.98 values, special Saturday ... \$1.98

Jumper Dresses

Women's linene jumper dresses, regular \$2.50 values, special for Saturday, each ... \$1.69

Every Bathing Suit Must GO

Our stock of fine bathing suits is rapidly disappearing and we are offering the final prices on the remainder for tomorrow. Four women's bathing suits, regular \$1.98 to \$2.50 values, special for Saturday ... 98c Three misses' wool bathing suits, regular \$3.98 values, special for Saturday ... \$1.49



Three women's wool bathing suits, regularly sold at \$4.98 earlier in the season, now— \$1.98

Three misses' wool bathing suits, the kind that sold at \$5.98, special now— \$2.49

LINGERIE and HOSIERY

Women's fancy crepe gowns, regular \$1.50 values, special Saturday, each ... 79c

Women's white and fancy crepe bloomers, regular \$1.50 values, each ... 98c

20 dozen misses' white and black hose, regularly sold at 50c a pair. 25c

20 dozen women's grey silk and fibre hose, \$1.50 value, pair ... 69c

