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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 29, 1910

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

It was very cool yesterday morning, but several farmers reported no frost.

Don't forget the little patch of sweet corn, it will attract the birds and save the planting corn.

Mr. George Shriner, East Main street, is having his residence painted. Meade Ohler has the contract.

For the last two Sundays our county has been well supplied with rain. Will it happen the third Sunday?

A great many of our sports have been visiting the Pimlico race track this week to see how the ponies are going.

Walter L. Zepp, of Pennsylvania avenue, has sold his property he occupied to William Richter, of Warfieldsburg.

Before this summer fades away there will be between fifty and sixty thousand dollars invested in automobiles in this city.

The annual congregational meeting of St. John's (Leister's) Lutheran Church will be held Ascension Day, May 5, at 2 p. m.

A horse belonging to Mr. T. Jefferson Gunn, Taylorsville, dropped dead near Spring Mills on Monday, while being driven home from this city.

Manchester is to have its red letter day on Whit-Monday, May 16. A number of new attractions and the red lemonade man will be on the program.

Tickets for the opera of "Miss Bob White" to be given in Odd Fellow's Hall on May 10 and 12, will be placed on sale at the drug stores next week.

The Eagles are screaming about their big time here on May 17, 18 and 19, and securing a decorator to trim all business places and houses for a small fee.

M. L. Bott, of this city, was called to his former home, Seven Valley, York county, Pa., to the burial of his father, who died on April 22 and was buried on the 25th.

William B. Smitten, manager of the Carroll County Rod Company has a number of salesmen out soliciting orders for lightning rods in this county, who report business good.

The fresh coat of paint applied to the gates at the railroad crossing on Main street makes a good appearance, and Gateman Helm seems more pleased with the looks of them.

Look at the label on your paper and see if you are in good standing in your subscription to the Advocate. The postoffice laws prohibit sending papers to subscribers over one year in arrears.

The rain on Monday night removed that beautiful coat of nice soft mud and presented us with a cobbled thoroughfare on Main street. What a beautiful (?) appearance it presents. But think of that jolt.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Boylan took place on Saturday morning at St. John's Catholic Church, Rev. Father Mallon officiating. The pallbearers were relatives of the deceased. F. C. Sharrer undertaker.

There were no protests to the granting of liquor license to the parties applying for same this year. Protests were about to be entered against two Sykesville applicants, but they faded away when the time came for business.

David J. Witter, agent for the Grand Union Tea Co., for the past 12 years, has accepted a position with the Baltimore Life Insurance Company. Harvey S. Witter, of the Lumber Coal & Supply Co. has accepted the agency with the Grand Union Tea Co.

Mrs. Thomas J. Miller, of Gamber, wishes to thank her many friends for their kind remembrance of her on April 19th, it being her 62nd birthday, by sending her so many handsome cards. Sse received 66 from many different places and the were all pretty.

A movement for the erection, jointly, by Frederick and Carroll cunties, of a bridge across the Monocacy River, at Mumma's Ford, was started at Frederick on Monday, when a large number of residents of Emmitsburg district appeared before the Frederick County Commissioners and asked that steps toward the erection of the bridge be taken. The Monocacy, at the point where it is desired to have the bridge erected, is on the dividing line between Frderick and Caroll counties and the bridge would have to be erected and maintained at the joint expense of the two counties. The matter will be taken up with the Commissioners of Carroll county.

Upon the allegation of Mrs. Mary A. Fleagle that her husband, Robert N. Fleagle, of Baltimore, formerly of this county, had fled to escape prosecution on the charge of violating the Federal oleomargarine laws, Mr. William C. Smith, the attorney, was Saturday appointed receiver for the R. N. Fleagle Company, the company consenting. Mr. Smith gave bond for $4,000. Until December 21, 1909, the business of the company was profitable, the bill states, but on that date, it alleges, Mr. Robert N. Fleagle learned that he had been indicted for violating the Federal oleomargarine law and fled, his whereabouts now being unknown. The plant of the company at Melrose was sold by the United States for the Government claim, the bill also states, and a creditor is threatening suit.

Next Monday our municipal election will be held.

A cute little boy was presented to Dr. and Mrs. Lewis K. Woodward, West Main street this week.

During the hours of the municipal election on Monday, from 12 m., to 6 p. m., all places where intoxicating liquors are sold must be closed.

Chilton Belle and M. T. Green, two race horses owned by R. W. Walden, Middleburg, won races yesterday afternoon at the Pimlico race track.

Talbot A. Weis, a flagman of the Western Maryland Railroad, at a crossing in Arlington, was struck by a fast moving train on Friday afternoon, and killed.

You are cordially invited to attend religious services at the Friendship school house, Sunday, May 7th, at 3.00 p. m. Services will be conducted by A. R. Corn, assisted by Rev. A. J. Torrey, pastor of Evergreen M. P. Church, Roland Park, Baltimore.

An empty steel car used in hauling up stone to the kills of the hydrated lime plant at the Tidewater Portland Cement Company, at Union Bridge, on Saturday, jumped the track as it was descending the incline, fell to the ground, badly damaging it.

The following vestrymen have been elected for Carroll county in the Episcopal Churches—Grace Church, Mt. Airy, Grafton Clay, John G. Schall, C. T. McGruder and M. C. Jones. St. James' Church, Mt. Airy, Charles A. Runkles and Dr. John E. Brommell.

While Chas. M. Nash, a farmer of Upperco, was hauling a load of hay on Madison street, Baltimore, the hay caught fire in some mysterious way and was destroyed, and also the wagon. Three engines and truck of the Baltimore Fire Company, was called out to extinguish the blaze.

Harry Ditman, near this city, received a painful injury to his right hand on Saturday at the Tidewater Portland Cement Company, at Union Bridge, when he had two fingers broken and the ligaments of the third badly torn. He was working at an elevator in the lime department when the accident happened.

Edna Bull, 4 years old, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bull, near Warren, who was fatally injured by a tree felled by her father on Thursday afternoon, was buried on Saturday afternoon in the cemetery of Poplar Methodist Protestant Church, near Warren.

The Western Maryland College was defeated for the third time this season by the Mt. St. Joseph's College, near Baltimore, on Saturday by a score of 5 to 4.

The officers for the new Savings Bank of Libertytown, which started business on Saturday, are Mr. Robert C. McCandish, president, and James M. Sappington vice-president. The directors are Rev. Samuel J. Kavanaugh, Colonel Charles T. Levinas, Jr., Chas. E. Durbin, James M. Sappington, Dr. Otis B. Stone, George D. Browning, Robert C. McCandish, Benjamin F. Hammaker, DeWarren H. Reynolds, Eugene Hammond, F. Loraine Simpson, Sydney Sappington, Charles F. Smith and R. Frank Sappington.

PERSONAL MENTION

[Persons who contemplate going away, or have friends visiting them, and desire publication of same, will please send the names to this office.]

Dr. Joseph T. Hering, of Baltimore, was in town yesterday.

Joseph McDonald, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kauffman, of Baltimore spent Sunday in this city.

Mrs. William H. Vanderford, East Main street, returned home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Frizzell, of Baltimore, will spend the summer in this city.

State Insurance Commissioner Benj. F. Crouse, West Main street, is spending some time at Atlantic City.

Mr. I. S. Weaver, wife and daughter Gladys, of Belleveu, Idaho, are visiting Dr. M. L. Bott, West Main street.

Mrs. William Shaw and daughters, Misses Lillie and Edith, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Mrs. Nelson Gilbert, West Main street, has returned home after a visit of several weeks with relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Tolley Null, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Null, Pennsylvania avenue.

Mrs. Loane and son, of Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Mitten, Liberty street.

Wm. Harver and wife of Overlea, were in this city on business and visited his brother, Frederick Harver, Frizellburg, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miller and son, of Arlington, spent Saturday and Sunday with William E. Grumbine and wife, East Main street.

Mr. William Staup, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent a few days this week with his wife, who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Eckenrode, Liberty street.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar D. Gilbert, East Main street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Madeline Louise, to Mr. Francis John Power, this city. The wedding will take place some time in June.

Childhood.

I am a model, modern child,
And have a model home,
Where father very seldom is
And mother's not alone.
Where father has no letters sent,
Because he is afraid,
And mother's correspondence comes
'Neath cover to the maid.
I am a model, modern child,
And know my father drinks;
Or how else would my mother know
Exactly what he thinks?
I never come to mother's room
Unless she sends for me,
One never knows just what's going on
When men come in for tea.
I am a model, modern child,
And know where father goes,
And who the man is with a beard
Who pays for mother's clothes;
I know her hair is henna red,
And know that mother paints,
And wishes father every day
Aloft among the saints.
I am a model, modern child,
But some day I'll grow up,
And have a lover all my own
And keep a bulldog pup.
And paint my face like mother does,
And wear no petticoats,
And if I have a bow I like,
I'll help him sow his oats.

DEATH'S HARVEST.

Well Known Residents And Others Who Have Passed Away.

Bohn.

Miss M. Ruth Bohn, daughter of Mrs. Carrie Bohn, East Main street, died on Friday evening, after a short illness of typhoid fever, aged 13 years and 6 months.

In the death of Miss Ruth this city has lost one of its popular and sociable young ladies. She was of a most beautiful disposition which made her friends by the score. During her sickness much regret was expressed by her school mates and the public generally. When her death was announced it was frequently said "What a pity as she was such a bright young lady."

She is survived by her mother, and a brother, Little "Jack" Bohn.

Funeral was held on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at her late residence. Services were conducted by Rev. C. S. Slagle, assisted by Rev. L. E. Bennett. Interment was in the Westminster cemetery.

The Epworth League of the M. E. Church turned out to pay their last respects to their deceased member.

The pallbearers were schoolmates of the deceased—Lamotte Smith, Reginald Stoner, Allen Sharren, Charles Arnold and George Little. F. C. Sharrer funeral director.

Shipley.

Francis A. Shipley died on Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock, of a complication of diseases, at his late residence, East Main street, aged 49 years, 1 month and 22 days. He was a blacksmith by trade, and was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shipley, this city.

He is survived by a wife and two daughters, Misses Grace and Ella Shipley, at home.

Funeral and services took place Thursday morning at 10.30 o'clock from his late residence, Rev. L. E. Bennett officiating. Interment in the Westminster cemetery. F. C. Sharrer funeral director.

The pallbearers were Chas. Brown, Charles V. Turfle, Stewart Frizzell, Samuel Brown, Frank Lowe and Eugene Reese. F. C. Sharrer funeral director.

Ogg.

John Ogg, a farmer of Woolery's district, died at his home, near Eastview, April 26, of typhoid fever, after an illness of two weeks, in his 48th year. He was the son of Elisha Ogg, who survives him. His wife also survives him, and he leaves one sister, Mrs. John F. Lockard, near Eastview. He had no children.

Hildebrand.

Wilhelmina N. Hildebrand, widow of the late Noah E. Hildebrand, died suddenly on April 25, at her residence, 1208 North Bond street, Baltimore. Funeral took place from her late residence yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Loudon Park cemetery.

Bott.

Henry Bott, one of the oldest residents of York county, died Thursday night, April 21, at the home of his son, Henry C. Bott, in Seven Valley, Pa., from the infirmities of old age. He was 91 years old in September, 1909.

He is survived by the following sons: H. C., Seven Valley; W. W. Bott, of York; and Dr. M. L. Bott, West Main street, this city.

Zacharias.

Lydia Zacharias, widow of the late Conrad Zacharias, aged 78 years, died in Baltimore on April 22. Funeral took place from her late residence on Sunday afternoon. Interment in Western Cemetery.

Fowble.

Oliver P. Fowble died at his late residence, 1376 West North avenue, Baltimore, on April 25.

Mr. Fowble several years ago lived in this city, having his residence on Park avenue, and was a member of the firm of Taylor & Fowble, who conducted the green grocery and butcher business in the room occupied by Geo. N. Hunter.

After a short service at his late residence, his remains were brought to Emory M. E. Church, near Carrollton, where services and interment took place on Wednesday morning.

Motter.

Lewis Martin Motter, 95 years old, one of the oldest and best-known citizens of Emmitsburg, father of Rev. Isaac M. Motter, president of the Frederick County School Commissioners, died yesterday afternoon of general debility. In 1840 he married Miss Alice Rudisel, daughter of Ludwig Rudisel, of Taneytown.

Baseball on Sunday.

For the Advocate.

A bill legalizing Sunday base ball by amateurs passed the Assembly by a vote of 77 to 67, while it was in session last Tuesday at Albany, N. Y. Manager Dunn of the Orioles, has advocated Sunday base ball. I conceive it to be the duty of every individual in this God-given country to obey the divine law of God which says "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it Holy." Will any one be so minded as to declare that Sunday base ball is all right, that it makes far the betterment of men? The Sabbath was made for men and not men for the Sabbath. Will any one be so unconcerned as to allow Sunday base ball? I trust that the movement to allow it will be stopped and eliminated from the minds of those so earnestly and anxiously desire to see it enacted. The Sabbath is a day of rest and quiet, a day in which to assemble in the places of worship and offer up praise and thanksgiving. Will any one be so insincere to idolize that day by assembling on the base ball grounds of our country, and influence those who are going to attend divine worship, to gather for a few hours in the great National game? May the movement now being inaugurated for playing ball on Sunday, be retarded and receive such a death blow, that it will never again be resurrected

Yours Truly,
(Sabbath Observer.)

The development of the slot machine idea has taken further strides in New York. Many of the big hotels and some of the larger drug stores have now installed slot machine typewriters. For 10 cents and a press of the button you are confronted with a standard typewriter and paper, which can be used for half an hour.

STEAMER WRECKED OFF GRAND BANK; CREW OF 187 LOST.

Sealer Aurora, Missing Since April 1, Reported as Having Sunk.

St. John's, N. F., April 26.—The sealing steamer Beothic, which has just arrived here, has brought from the fishing banks a report that the steamer Aurora has been sunk.

It is feared, according to the report current at the fishing banks, that her entire crew of 187 men is lost.

The Aurora had been missing since April 1. No more definite news is expected until the next arrival from the fishing grounds.

Fox Lures Dog Away.

New Castle, Del., Saturday.—John Banks, formerly owner of the property now used as a State rifle range south of this city, is looking for a valuable collie dog which was decoyed away by a fox to which he gave chase when he discovered the marauder beneath a tree on which roosted a number of plump turkeys the other morning.

Guinea fowls first gave the warning, and when Banks looked out of the window he saw the dog knock the fox over. But the latter was on his feet in a few seconds and ran off with the dog in full pursuit. The latter has not been seen since.

IN MEMORIAM.

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear father, Francis H. Wampler, who departed this life March 19, 1910.

Rest dear father, thy work is over,
Thy willing hands will toil no more;
A faithful father true and kind,
A better father you could never find.

Farewell, dear father, a long farewell.
For us you have labored for many years;
You have always striven to do your best,
As now you have gone to take your rest,
We have no father now.

BY HIS DAUGHTER, MRS. CHARLES MITTEN.

On April 1, 1910, Mildred aged eighteen years and ten months, beloved daughter of Arthur and Katherine Hill, died at her home.

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home
Which never can be filled.

No smile will ever be so sweet,
As the smile she gave us last;
No hour will ever be so sad
As the hour she passed away.

Rest on, dear daughter, thy labor is o'er,
Thy willing hands will toil no more;
A faithful daughter, both true and kind,
A trurer daughter we could not find.

BY HER PARENTS.

Oh, since then our lives are saddened,
Since that day our hopes are slain,
But her voice seems sweetly saying,
"Courage, we shall meet again."

BY HER PARENTS, SISTERS AND BROTHERS.

In loving remembrance of our dear mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Shipley, who departed this life four years ago today, April 30, 1906.

We miss you mother, we mourn you still,
No one your vacant chair can fill;
We pray, that when our call shall come,
We'll join you in that heavenly home.

BY HER CHILDREN.

In sad but loving remembrance of our dear nephew, Lewis Wesley Lee, who died just seven month ago today, September 30th, 1909.

Gone but not forgotten.
When we wander in the church yard,
Flowers to strew with tender care,
How our hearts grow sad and dreary,
For the one who lies sleeping there.
Sleep on Lewis may your slumbers
Be as gentle as your love.
And when we are done with the cares of earth,
May we all meet you in heaven above.

BY HIS UNCLE AND AUNT,
MR. AND MRS. J. T. CONAWAY.

In sad but loving remembrance of our dearly beloved daughter, Helen Rosello Leppo, who departed this life one year ago, April 28, 1910, aged 2 years, and 11 days.

There was an angel band in heaven
That was not quite complete,
So God took our darling Helen
To fill the vacant seat.

The little chair is empty,
Her playthings are laid aside,
And loving ones are weeping
For our little Helen that died.

Her well remembered footsteps
We listen for in vain,
Our eyes grow dim with watching,
Our hearts are sad with pain.

* BY HER PARENTS.

We had a little treasure once,
She was our joy and pride,
We loved her, ah! perhaps too well,
For soon she slept and died.

* BY HER GRANDMOTHER JONES.

In sad but leving remembrance of our dear little boy, Paul William Leppo, who departed this life one year ago, April 29, 1909, aged 4 months and 1 day

God needed one mors angel child
Amid3t his shiningb and,
And so he bent with loving smile
And clasyed our darling's hand.

When you ask us, do you miss him?
Yes, it fills our heart with pain,
But his spirit softly whispers,
Weep not, in heaven we will meet again.

* BY HIS PARENTS.

RELIGIOUS NOTICES.

Salem Lutheran Charge—St. Benjamin's—Sunday School 9 a. m. Holy Communion 10 a. m. Preparatory Service Sat., 2 p. m. St. John's-Sunday School 1 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. 7.15 p. m. Holy Communion Sunday, May 8, at 10 a. m. Preparatory Service Sat., May 7, at 2 p. m.

R. W. Doty, Pastor.

Communion Services will be held in the Uniontown Charge as follows:
Winter's Church, April 24th, at 10 a. m.
Uniontown Church, May 1st, at 10 a. m.
Mt. Union Church, May 8th, at 10 a. m.
Baust Church, May 15th at 10.30 a. m.
Preparatory Services on the Saturdays previous at 2.30 p. m.

G. W. Baughman, Pastor.

M. E. Church, Union Mills, Rev. J. W. Long, Pastor.—Sunday School at 1.30 p. m. C. E. Meeting 7 p. m. Preaching Services at 2.30 and 7.30 p. m., every two weeks, beginning Sunday, February 13th.

St. John's Church—Sundays—Low Mass at 7.15 and High Mass at 10 a. m. During the week—Mass at 7 a. m.

Joseph H. Cassidy, Pastos.

Ascension Church, Sunday services. 7.30 a. m. Holy Communion. 10.30 a. m., Morning Prayer Litany and Sermon. (Holy Communion on first Sunday of month). 4.30 p. m., Evening Prayer. 8 p. m. on first Sunday of month. Service and Sermon in Chapel.

Frank M. Gibson, Ph. D., Rector.

Centenary Methodist Epescopal Church—Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School, 9.15 o'clock. Junior League, 2 o'clock. Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7.30 o'clock.

L. Emory Bennett, Pastor.

St. Paul's Reformed Church.—Sunday School at 10 a. m. Worship at 11 a. m. and 7.15 p. m.

Calvin S. Slagle, Pastor.

WESTMINSTER MARKETS.

By N. I. Gorsuch Son Co.
April 29, 1910.

No. 2 Red Wheat	$1.02
Barley	.50@ .65
Oats	.45@ .50
Rye	.60@ .65
Flour, Sea Foam, (patent)	6.00 per bbl
Eggs	18c per doz
Bran	27.00 per ton
Middlings	28.00 per ton
Timothy Hay	12.00 15.00
Mixed Hay	10.00 to 12.00 per ton
Clover	8.00 to 10.00
Rye Straw	7.00 to 8.00
Wheat Straw	5.00 per ton
Clover Seed	.06 to .08
Corn	3.50 to 3.75
Sucrene Dairy Feed	$27.00

SYKESVILLE MARKETS.
By Wade H. D. Warfield & Co.

Wheat	.98
Rye	.65
Barley	.70
Oats	.50
Ear Corn	3.25
No. 1 Timothy Hay	16@16
Mixed Hay	15@ 15
Clover Hay	12@ 12
Baled wheat Straw	5.00
Baled Rye Straw	6.00
Oat Straw	5.00
Rye Straw (straight)	7.00
Bran	23.00
Middlings	28.00
Potatoes	.50
Onions	.40
Apples	.50
Clover Seed	$16.00
Tangle Rye Straw	$8.00

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:-: :-: Westminster's Best Store. :-: :-:

"House-Keeper's Week."

OPPORTUNITIES THAT YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO PASS.

CARPETS.

In this department we are showing the largest lines in this section of the country.

Rag Carpets 25c to 65c. Ingrain Carpets 25c to 65c.

Brussels Carpets 60c to $1.25.

This is a very busy department at this time.

MATTINGS

300 rolls of China and Japan Matting,

12½ to 35c.

SPECIAL.

50 rolls of 25c China and Japan Matting, while they last **19c a yd.**

Linoleums & Oil Cloths

We carry only the best grades. No seconds.

TABLE OIL CLOTHS.

5-4 Table Oil cloth at

12½c and 15c.

WINDOW BLINDS,
and
LACE CURTAINS,
PORTIERES,
and everything in the housefurnishing lines.

RUGS.

All sizes of Crex Matting Rugs, in all the new patterns, from

39c to $7.95.

These are very popular floor coverings.

Jap Matting Rugs, 36x72,

at 50c.

Jap Matting Rugs, 9x12,

at $3.98.

IN THE NEW ANNEX.

10 piece Toilet Sets, **$1.95.**

10 piece Gilt Band Toilet Sets, **$2.75.**

100 piece Dinner Sets, Gilt Decorations,

at $7.95.

Dozens of other styles Dinner Sets, ranging in Price from $9.50 to $16.00. Only the best make. The kind that will not craze. Many special tables of odd China pieces from **5c up.**

GRANITE WARE.

2, 4 and 6 quart Granite Pudding Pans,

10c each.

10 quart Granite 40c Water Pails at

25c each.

14 quart Granite Dish Pans **25c each.**

12 quart Granite Dish Pans **19c each.**

Many other items at special prices in this department.

THE MILLER BROS. CO.,

Popular Cash Stores - - Westminster, Md.

APRIL 29, 1910.

Why National Forests are Needed in the Appalachians.

In the April number of American Forestry, Filibert Roth, professor of forestry in the University of Michigan and forest warden of his state, gives these reasons for acquisition of national forests in the Southern Appalachian and White mountains:

1. All the lands of these mountains are in private hands and the forests are cut by man and devastated by fires as fast as the owners find it practicable and profitable to do so.

2. This devastation of our forests in the Eastern United States has converted millions of acres of forest into unsightly and unused waste lands; it has ruined whole countries in the level districts of the Lake region; it has ruined entire mountain ridges in Pennsylvania; it has ruined thousands of acres of the very mountains under consideration and is today extending clear up to timber line in that most famous of all our mountain tracts, the Presidential Range, stretching its hideous hand of pillage and destruction up the slopes of Mts. Madison, Jefferson and Washington, the grand old domes, dear to millions of our people.

3. Unless the government interferes, this devastation will continue with increasing rapidity and it will be but few years when practically all of these mountain lands will be denuded of their protective forest cover.

4. This denudation of the mountains in many places has resulted in a complete removal of all soil, laying bare the solid rock and thus preventing all future forest growth. In other places thousands of acres have been washed into unsightly and useless gully lands, and throughout the mountains and over thousands of acres, all intermediate stages of erosion, deterioration and destruction can be seen.

5. This erosion and gullying has produced natural paths for the water and during every rain or thaw the waters rush down through these channels and thus leave the ground and the mountains far more rapidly than they would do if these innumerable gullies, runs, or natural ditches did not exist. Man, in other words, is causing the natural digging of drains on land where no sane man would wish to have a drain, but where common sense would indicate the necessity of creating every possible obstacle and every means which would keep the water from gathering into runs and from rushing into the streams and out of the mountains.

6. The faster the waters collect and rush down the slopes, the more they erode the land and the more powerful they are to carry away the soil, so that this evil is one which not only continues but is getting worse the longer it lasts.

7. The earth which is thus washed out in the creation of these gullies and in the removal of soils from the slopes is rushed into the streams and sooner or later finds its way into the navigable parts of the rivers below, where every inch of depth or water is precious.

8. With the forests and other obstacles removed and with innumerable ruts, gullies and runs facilitating its speedy run-off, the waters rush from the mountains much faster and therefore have less time to soak into the earth. But in times of little or no rain, the streams depend for their supply largely, often entirely, on water which has been stored in the soil and which slowly, but steadily, seeps out to feed the streams. The rushing off of the waters on the surface and the drains and runs reduces the storage of water and this means less water during low water times; it means less water in the rivers, at the very time when most needed.

9. The forests of these mountains have been and should be a great and permanent condition covering eighty five to ninety per cent of all the mountain area. This is the natural condition; its establishment and maintenance therefore are not matters of costly construction and doubtful utility like artificial reservoirs. It grows of its own accord, and all it asks is that man shall not wilfully destroy it.

10. The establishment and maintenance of a forest cover on these mountains will not be a great expense to the people. The forests on these mountains, in due time, will be self supporting and will amply pay back such capital as is put into the purchase of the lands.

11. This forest cover is the only regulator which man can maintain in these mountains, which is assuredly feasible, practicable, and permanent. Some artificial reservoirs, no doubt will be built in time. An extensive set of such reservoirs would mean displacement of railways, highways, farm homes, etc., it would mean the making of lakes out of the very bottom lands which to-day are the only lands on which farming is successful and permanent. Such reservoirs would mean the building of many dams and bring with them the dangers of flood catastrophies. And in the end all reservoirs would certainly fill up with mud unless the entire system is safeguarded by a forest cover on the mountains.

12. The forest cover is not taking land which should be used for other purposes, and does not prevent such use at any future time. Though among the oldest settled regions of the country, not five per cent of the real mountain lands are used agriculturally. Wherever farming is successful, it is in the valleys on good bottom and bench lands, which would never be disturbed by the enterprise requested.

These mountain forests are valuable in many other ways—they produce timber, they serve as places of recreation to thousands of people, and they are worth millions for their beauty alone, but since Congress believes itself bound by the Constitution to consider the matter from the standpoint of stream regulation, the above reasons are the ones emphasized in support of the "Weeks Bill."

Solons Food High.

(Washington Times.)

The prices of pie and the glasses of milk are growing smaller in the House restaurant at the Capitol. This discouraging fact has been gradually dawning upon the members for some time, and unless the shrinkage stops at once the lucky individual who is just now conducting the eating house will find himself facing an investigation.

"This piece of pumpkin pie, made of squash, is just one-quarter smaller than the ten-cent piece I used to buy here two years ago," remaked one of the Western Representatives, as he surveyed the little three-cornered slab. "Considering the fact that the restaurant man gets his rent, heat and lights free, I do not think he ought to sting us quite so hard. He charges twenty-five cents for a turkey or chicken sandwich, twenty-five cents for a bowl of soup, fifty cents for a piece of fish no larger than the palm of your hand, and when you buy a steak you are expected to mortgage your home to pay for it.

"Senator McCumber was over here the other day and had a steak. When he received his bill he did a little figuring on the menu card, and announced that if the whole of an ordinary steer was sold at the rate that steak brought, the animal would net $4,000. Now I call that going some."

Over in the Senate restaurant, where the same scale of prices prevails, the Senators have compelled the restaurant manager to place a "No tipping" line on the menu cards. Consequently, the cards are very hard to get nowadays, and if a guest insists upon having one before he orders the waiter snatches it and buries it under the tablecloth before the next customer sits down. The sign on the card does not prevent the waiters from grabbing all the tips they can get, nor does it keep them from neglecting a patron the next day if he has forgotten to "come across" on the previous visit.

It Happens Easily.

"That horrid cat!"

"What's the matter, girl?"

"Oh the cat went to sleep on my new hat, and I wore her down town and back!"—Washington Herald.