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ONE CENT POSTAGE.

One cent letter postage will be the theme of a determined campaign to be waged this winter wherein business men of the United States will seek to crystallize into law the rapidly increasing sentiment for a lower postage rate.

Congress is to be asked at its present session to take steps looking towards the inauguration of a one cent letter rate. The campaign will be conducted by the National One Cent Letter Postage Association, which has its headquarters in Cleveland. This association has been growing steadily in strength for several years and now maintains a membership scattered throughout the United States, with representatives in nearly every village, town and city in all States in the Union.

An astonishing condition exists in Washington in connection with the operation of the Post Office Department according to George T. McIntosh, secretary-treasurer of the One-Cent Letter Postage Association.

"Business men of the United States are not aware that first-class mail matter is paying the government over one hundred and seventy million dollars per year, of which more than \$70,000,000 is clear profit" declares Mr. McIntosh. With this immense income and profit, the government at the same time is sustaining a loss on second-class mail of more than \$70,000,000 a year. Statisticians of the Postoffice have stated that it costs over 8 cents per pound to distribute second-class mail while the charge made by the department is only one cent per pound. While first-class mail reaps the Postoffice Department a clear profit of \$70,000,000 per year, second-class mail at the same time entails a loss of about the same sum, with the result that an immense surplus is automatically wiped out each year.

"This \$70,000,000 is the toll the American business man is paying under the present conditions and is the thing we are seeking to reform. There is no reason why business institutions of this country should be paying nearly twice the cost of carriage of their mail while other interests, chiefly the big periodical publishers of the eastern cities are swamping the entire country with huge volumes of mail matter for which they are paying only one-eighth the cost of handling.

"No fair minded person can feel other than that the periodical publishers of this country are being granted a huge subsidy every year as long as the present condition of affairs exists."

"First class letter mail, it has been computed, pays a revenue to the government of a little over 80 cents per pound or over \$1600 per ton, practically twice the cost of handling it. Second class mail on the other hand, pays one cent a pound, or \$20 a ton, which is about one-eighth the cost of handling. Is this good business?"

"Only through co-operation on the part of the business interests of this country, who are paying a tax to the government every time they use a two cent stamp can we hope to succeed."

Bills for one cent letter postage have been introduced by Senators Burton and Penrose and Representatives Ansherry Bartlett, Griest, McKeller, Park and Rouse, and will be pushed during the present term of congress.

AN APPEAL FOR ALASKA.

An interesting letter was recently sent to every Senator and Representative in Congress by steamship companies engaged in the Puget Sound-Alaska trade.

In brief this letter makes a strong appeal for appropriations covering a wire drag survey of Alaskan waters; suitable steamships for the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey; charting Alaskan water courses; establishment of aids to navigation; the creation of office of Supervising Inspector for Puget Sound and Alaska, with office at Seattle.

Alaska is America's last frontier. It is also a land of great industrial promise. At the present time its development seems to be assured by legislation which makes for the opening of its great interior mineral storehouses.

To many the name Alaska conjures by visions of perennial snow and ice, and with the only white inhabitants fur clad gold seekers. To them it will come as a surprise to learn that a large territory and many miles of coast, has a climate much milder than that of Maryland, that its annual commerce has reached a total of \$70,000,000 and will steadily increase from now on due to the proposed plan of the United States Government to build a 1,000 mile railroad and develop coal, copper and other heavy tonnage.

Alaska has a rugged, rocky coast line of some 26,000 miles, with most

of its populous towns and mining camps located along the inside passages. These passages are necessarily used by vessels serving Alaska, and they abound in dangerous uncharted pinnacle rocks, unmasked and unlighted reefs is shown by the numerous wrecks that have occurred in a short length of time.

That the aid asked for is urgently needed is shown by official record of the loss of a grand total of 85 vessels of large size, and representing a valuation of nearly \$7,000,000, together with one awful toll of human lives.

RELIGIOUS DYSPEPSIA AND EC-CLESIASTICAL GOUT.

In the February Woman's Home Companion, the Rev. Charles Stelzle, superintendent of the Bureau of Social Service of the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, writes an interesting article entitled, "Making the Church Do Real Work." It is a practical talk on the business of the church and how the church can best accomplish the purpose for which it was organized. Dr. Stelzle makes the point that the cost of salvation in some churches is too high. He does not refer to the money cost of producing converts, but he refers to the inefficiency of many churches and to the poor service they perform to their communities. Following is an extract from his article:

"The way to discover whether or not a particular enterprise is efficient is to find out the purpose for which it was organized. What, then, is the business of the church? What is it trying to accomplish? Some think that it is simply to 'build up the saints in their most holy faith.' But this is not the whole truth. It is an important part of the church's work to care for the saints, but, really, some of the saints have been richly fed for so long a time, and they have exercised so little, that they are suffering from religious dyspepsia and ecclesiastical gout.

"There are very specific scriptural commands to this effect: 'Go out into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in' is one. Here's another: 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.' Let's settle it that the best kind of a church member is the one who is more concerned about the soul of his brother or sister than he is about his own.

"Somebody once said to Canon Wilberforce: 'How is it about your soul?' And the great man replied: 'I've been so busy trying to help these poor slaves that I forgot I had a soul.' No doubt he was nearer the 'kingdom of heaven' than the zealot who asked the question.

HOUSE INCREASES PAY OF RURAL CARRIERS.

After a lively debate in the House of Representatives last week, in which Congressman Lathicum of Maryland took an active part, it was voted to definitely fix the salaries of rural carriers under the law so that every carrier serving a route of 24 miles will be paid \$1200 a year.

In the preceding appropriation bill passed by Congress provision was made for the promotion of 43,325 rural carriers \$100 each, and the necessary amount was authorized for the increase. The Postoffice Department so interpreted the law that only a fraction of them received more money. The action aroused much indignation on the part of members of Congress and the statement was freely heard that when the next Postoffice appropriation bill came up these promotions of rural carriers would be made mandatory.

Referring to the work of the mail carriers, Congressman Lathicum said:

"These rural letter carriers have considerable expense. They are compelled to provide their means of transportation and to deliver the mail each and every day in the year. While in the summer the work may be light and pleasant, in the winter it becomes onerous and very unpleasant. The roads in the greater part of the country where the mail is delivered by the rural carriers are not only bad in winter but often miserable and almost impassable."

"I received a letter this morning from a rural carrier in my State, who says that during the summer one horse will perform the work on his route, but that during the winter he is compelled to have two horses to do the same service. There are many routes in the State of Maryland, especially those in the mountainous sections, where more than one horse is required almost constantly."

HARNEY.

The rain on Tuesday night broke up the ice on Myers' dam and spoiled a lot of sport for our young folks. It also raised the water so high that our mail carrier, Mr. R. Snider, could not cross the creek at A. M. Weybright's.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Valentine spent a few days visiting at Emmitsburg. Millard Hess, who has been visiting his son Walter, of Emmitsburg, the past few weeks, has returned to his old homestead.

The Teachers Training Class of St. Paul's Lutheran church will meet in the church every Thursday evening at 7.15 o'clock.

Sunday school Sunday morning at 9.15. Preaching at 10.15 o'clock, rain or shine.

Lloyd Bream has sold his property, containing 12 acres of land, to Mr. Samuel C. Shoemaker for \$1200. Mr. Bream will continue to occupy same for another year.

Mr. Addison Horner, of Two Taverns, spent Sunday evening with his sister, Mrs. E. Snider.

J. S. Scott had an operation performed on his knee one day last week.

Candidate's Announcement.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Register of Wills of the Democratic Ticket.

DR. ROBERT F. WELLS, eow Woolery's District, No. 4.

I hereby ask my friends to give me their support in the coming primary election for the Democratic nomination for the office of State's Attorney. If nominated and elected I will discharge the duties of the office faithfully and impartially.

MICHAEL E. WALSH, eow

I hereby announce my candidacy for State's Attorney on the Republican Ticket.

THEODORE F. BROWN, eow

I hereby announce my candidacy for County Commissioner of Carroll County on the Democratic ticket.

JOSEPH D. WIMERT, Westminster District.

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of Register of Wills for Carroll county, and ask the support of the Democratic voters at the primary election.

THOMAS K. SHAW, Westminster District.

In announcing my candidacy for the office of Clerk of the Court, I ask the voters to vote for me if they believe that I can be elected.

FRANCIS A. CRAWFORD, Franklin District.

I hereby announce my candidacy for Sheriff of Carroll County on the Republican ticket.

JAMES M. STONER, Westminster District.

WESTMINSTER MARKETS.

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WANTED.

We want an agent (man or woman) to handle our line of meritable Toilet Preparations. On the market 15 years. Attractive goods—attractive proposition. Write PONCE DE LEON, 118-K West Lexington Street, Baltimore, Md.

Some of our business men are handing out beautiful calendars to their many patrons.

IN MEMORIAM.

In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and father, Harry L. Rinehart, who departed this life three years ago, January 15, 1912.

As the evening sun is setting,
As I often sit alone,
In my heart comes a feeling
That my dear husband must come home.

Oh, the memory of that morning
As I gazed with an aching heart;
To see the one I loved so dearly,
Pierced with death's most awful dart.

A tear within a wife's eye,
The God whom we love in His wisdom,
Knows well what is right and best,
And we pray to-day for patience,
Till we meet in the land of rest.

By HIS HEART-BROKEN WIFE AND CHILDREN.

Three years ago to-day, dear papa,
You left us from our home,
Where we lived so happy together,
But now we are all alone.

In our sad and empty home,
Sleep on dear papa, sweetly rest;
We needed you, but God knew best,
By HIS LOVING LITTLE BOY AND GIRL, MARGARET AND MAUS RINEHART.

In remembrance of Mrs. Savilla J. Koontz, who died January 13, 1915, aged 75 years.

Once we had a mother,
Who was so good and true,
That we were always happy,
In every word and way.

She sought out every pleasure,
Cared for us night and day,
And was to us a mother,
In every word and way.

From morning until evening,
Sorrow rests upon our brow,
She has gone from earth to Heaven,
We have no mother now.

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We are still selling the GOOD CORD PANTS FOR MEN AND BOYS.

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NO. 4818 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

Anna H. Ruby by William H. Ruby, her next friend, Plaintiff, vs. Roscoe H. Ruby and Anna H. Ruby, Defendants.

Ordered by the Circuit Court for Carroll County, this 9th day of January, 1915, that the sale of the property mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by William H. Ruby, trustee, appointed by a decree of this Court, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 15th day of February, next, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in the City of Westminster, once in each of three successive weeks before the 8th day of February, next.

The report states the amount of the sale to be \$4450.

OSCAR D. GILBERT, Clerk.

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That is guaranteed not to leak. These suits are of the fine texture, smooth, tailored and worth the price regardless the Raincoat. Quality and style are old cronies of ours. Cost is not considered in this sale.

Felt Slippers all reduced. We have other such reductions through our entire line to offer. COME! LOOK!

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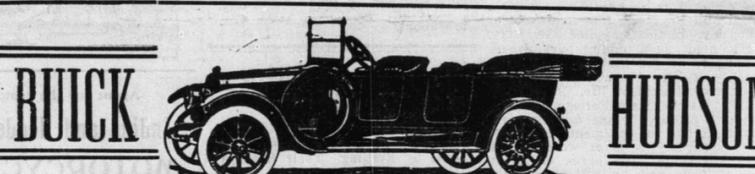
Babylon & Lippy Co. OUR JANUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Will Be Remembered By Little Prices On Reliable Merchandise. A general line will be on display in the annex show window. It will pay you to visit this store during this special sale.

Here Are Some Of The Prices We Have Made.

Table listing various clothing items and their prices, such as 36 inch extra heavy unbleached muslin for 5c YARD, 36 inch bleached muslin regular 9c value for 6c YARD, etc.

MEET US AT THE BALTIMORE AUTOMOBILE SHOW JANUARY 19th to 23rd.



Let us demonstrate the BUICK and HUDSON—you will like them, perhaps buy one as so many others have done. We invite all to make the Buick and Hudson booths your headquarters while at the show.

Yours for business, J. W. LOCKARD & SON.

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There are very few has-beens, in the last analysis—most everybody is hoping for better things in the future. We can promise you better Coal than ever this year. Smith & Reifsnider.



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M. E. CAMPBELL, No. 71 East Main Street, Westminster, Md.

FRANCIS X. BUSHMAN In One Wonderful Night at the STAR, JANUARY 22. The story that ran in the Ladies World—and the leading man, Francis X. Bushman, was voted the most popular Motion Picture Actor in the world, receiving 3,000,000 votes.

FOR SALE—A small farm, near the Pool on the Mill Road; between 15 and 16 acres; fruit of all kinds; and water at the door; buildings all good; one mile from Westminster. Apply to R. F. D. Carrier 6, Jan 15-1m Westminster, Md.

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