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March 16, at 12 o'clock sharp, stock and farming implements.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

The school commissioners office will be open on Monday and Friday of next week only.

A shooting match will be held at the Army New Year's day, and is open to all who claim to be good shots.

The Advocate is the recipient of one of Storer & Hobby's fine calendars. The calendar is 2 feet 3 inches by 3 feet 2 inches and is artistically engraved in lead color with a handsome farm scene in colors with four cows grazing in a meadow by a stream.

The garage of W. Frank Thomas, located on Short street, was moved Tuesday evening to Mr. Thomas' property on John street. The building was moved on skids and was a novel sight to see this large house being hauled along over Main street by the power of a steam roller.

Washington Slim, the "King of Hobos," was arrested by Sheriff Stoner Tuesday night on a charge of stealing a monkey wrench and other articles at Mr. Web Michael's store, at M. Pleasant. Sheriff Stoner found Slim quietly snoozing in the haymow of Mr. Charles Starner's stable. He is in jail waiting for the May term of grand jury to come around.

The old Murray homestead, where the late John W. Murray was born and where he died, at the age of 91, was dark and vacant Monday night for the first time in more than 100 years. The widow, who is 94 years old, was removed to the home of her son, Mr. John W. Kelbaugh, on Monday, where she will spend the remainder of her days.—Enterprise.

The auto truck which starts at Fountain Valley to collect milk from there to Baltimore, slipped from the pile opposite of Meadow Branch church Saturday morning on account of the icy condition of the road. The damage amounted to little. Where the truck went down is a treacherous place. A number of automobiles have gone down at the same place.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary C. Selby, wife of Augustus Selby, Sykesville, who died December 14, was held December 16. Services were conducted by the Rev. George B. Sanner. Mrs. Selby was 61 years old and besides her husband is survived by six daughters, Mrs. Benjamin F. Mock, Mrs. Harry J. Miller, Mrs. Walter A. Hopkins, Misses Nannie, Alice and Pearl Selby, and two sons, Augustus R. Selby, of Sykesville, and Alonzo Selby, of Cooksville.

Messrs. Preston P. Pennington and Frank Crouch, who have spent a year here selling bonds and looking after the business interests of the Carroll Transit Company, have returned to Baltimore until after the holidays. About January 1st, the above gentlemen have a contract to construct an electric line in Crisfield. Both of the above men are young and capable of any project they undertake. While here they made many friends, who wish them success in their new field.

Mr. Luther M. Allemen, who has been postmaster at Littlestown, Pa., since April, 1899, a period of almost seventeen years, last Saturday forwarded his resignation to First Assistant Postmaster General Roper, the same to take effect at the end of the present quarter, December 31st, 1915. While Mr. Allemen's present commission does not expire until April 25th, next, he is very desirous of being relieved in order that he may resume his old position with the Valentine Varnish Company.

Preparations for the second annual automobile show, February 1 to 4, in Frederick, are rapidly being made. Blue prints of the floor space have been completed, and solicitations are now being made to automobile owners. Already eighteen spaces have been contracted for, and it is believed that all the accommodations will be taken in two weeks. The show will begin in the evening instead of the afternoon as last year, which makes the time of the exhibition three days and four evenings.

The price of gasoline was advanced Tuesday in this market to 21 cents a gallon at wholesale. This marks another rise of 1 cent, and the end is not yet, according to the dealers. Indications point strongly to a 25-cent market for this product in a very short time. Many of the experts in the trade are predicting this price and give their reason for the expectation. At the level of 21 cents wholesale, the retail price is now 25 cents a gallon in many localities which are visited by the local automobilists. It is difficult to fix a basis for the retail price of gasoline, as the price is largely governed by the surroundings and the trouble retailers have in replenishing their supply.

Tramps no longer saunter in the huge hallways and corridors of Monteverde, Frederick county's charity institution in blissful comfort when the atmosphere on the outside is registered there to be near the zero point. That was particularly noticeable on Saturday last when the board of county commissioners met at the institution to dispose of various questions relative to the management of the property. There is not a sufficient number of tramps at Monteverde to cut the winter's harvest of ice, or to assist in the hatching of some 50 hogs. President Frank M. Stevens declared that it was much cheaper to hire laborers to do this work than to support scores of tramps the entire winter merely to obtain ice and slaughter hogs. Mr. Stevens further declared that the order of the board to have tramps from the institution would be rigidly enforced.

Master John Hesson, son of Harry C. Hesson, Pennsylvania avenue, fell and dislocated his shoulder while skating on Winter's Dam, Tuesday afternoon.

More than 1,000 pounds of bass, suckers, carp and other food fish were seined last week from pools in the bottom of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal around Sandy Hook when the water was drawn from the levels.

Mr. Harry Mathias, rural mail carrier on route No. 4, was asked to resign by the Postoffice department. Mr. Mathias has been a rural carrier since the system was started. This will make six changes in our postoffice in the past six months.

The Maryland Oil Company is busily engaged in putting up oil and gasoline tanks on the property of the Consolidated Public Utilities Company, George street. The buildings and yard were completed this week.

Falling 50 feet from a smokestack at New Freedom, Pa., R. J. Krouse, 19 years old, of Woodbine, was killed Tuesday. He was hoisted to the top of a 100-foot stack and the cable broke when halfway up. He sustained a fractured skull and other injuries.

A 55-foot spruce pine, admirably adapted for the hundreds of colored lights under which the people of the community will gather on Christmas Eve in Baltimore was contributed by Albert Meyer, Sykesville. The tree has been erected on Court-house Plaza.

A congestion of traffic on the Cumberland Valley and Western Maryland Railroads has caused the officials to place a temporary embargo on freight shipments on both lines, it is announced. The embargo on the Western Maryland is drastic, however, and the congestion on that road is being relieved as rapidly as possible.

On Thursday, evening, December 9, about 200 of the members and friends of Glyndon Star Council, No. 60, D. of A. assembled in Red Men's Hall, Glyndon, Md., to celebrate the eleventh anniversary of the institution of Glyndon Star Council, which was effected on December 9, 1904, by now Past State Councilor Lizzie O. Buchta.

Rev. George A. Royer, who has been ministering to the Lutheran congregation at Union Bridge, Keyserville, Pa., resigned his pastorate two years ago, but he will preach his farewell sermon at Union Bridge, on Sunday, January 23. He has accepted a charge at Florence, Ky., directly across the Ohio River from Cincinnati.

Bethel school, at Carrollton, has purchased a fine talking machine for use in the school from the Crescent Talking Machine Co., of New York. On Tuesday night, December 23, an exhibition will be given at the school house commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The patrons and friends of the school are cordially invited. If the weather should be inclement Tuesday night, will meet Wednesday night.

Complaint was made at the office of the County Commissioners of Frederick county Tuesday morning about the alleged custom of following recommendations of district committees in making the appointments of road supervisors. President of the Board Frank M. Stevens gave his version of the matter when he said: "I have known some committees to recommend people for supervisors who were unfit to hold the position."

Through a local attorney, 19 men who were unopposed for nominations for Baltimore municipal offices in the primary of 1911 filed an application with the Board of Estimates Tuesday for the return of the money they deposited with the Supervisors of Elections, amounting to \$25 in each case. Because they were unopposed, the names of the candidates did not appear on the official ballots, and this was given as the reason for asking for the return of the money.

Brother Eugene Worthington, of Hampstead, Md., who has organized more camps of the P. O. S. of A. than any other man at present a member of the order in the State, is again ready to take up the work of organization. He is one of the hustlers of the order and may be counted upon when the time comes to deliver the goods. He is organized for us Camp No. 73, of Hampstead, Md.; Camp No. 64, of Boring, Md.; Camp No. 81, of Carrollton, Md.; Camp No. 102, of Finksburg, Md.; Camp No. 89, of Level, Md.; Camp No. 90, of Dublin.

Although Evelyn Nesbit Thaw has said on different occasions that she would not contest the divorce suit brought against her by Harry K. Thaw, it became known at Pittsburgh, Pa., that she has retained an attorney to attack the validity of the suit. An effort also will be made to have the service of papers set aside as illegal. By a person close to Mrs. Thaw it is said that the principal reason for her determination to fight the proceedings is to establish the legal status of her son Russell, who she insists is the offspring of Harry K. Thaw.

The disease known as black tongue, which is apparently peculiar to the Southern States, results in a heavy mortality among dogs in that section. A notable hunting dog has been lost from this cause. Recent reports indicate its occurrence in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and the District of Columbia. As the name indicates, there is an inflamed and swollen condition of the tongue, which usually assume a dark color. Such inflammation is not confined to the tongue, but may involve the membranes of the mouth generally, and extend to the throat, causing great difficulty in swallowing.

At the annual meeting of the Glyndon Volunteer Fire Company the following officers were elected: President, C. Howard Whittle; vice-president, E. G. Wheeler and W. T. Stringer; secretary, Edward Hewes; assistant secretary, Harley Penn; treasurer, Edwin R. Stringer; chief foreman, G. Edgar Penn; first assistant foreman, Arthur Arand; second assistant foreman, William Royce; chief chauffeur, Lester S. Wheeler; second assistant chauffeur, Roger Stanfield; marshal, Donald Turner; librarian, Edward Wilson; assistant librarian, Granville Baubitz; caretaker of building, W. Scott Bishop. The following officers were named for the Junior Company: Chief, Edward Hewes; captain, Donald Turner; assistant captain, Robert Martin; nozzlemaster, George Bowers; chemical operator, Harley Penn. The juniors have been recently organized and have a hand chemical engine.

To Correspondents!

As New Year comes on Saturday this year the Advocate will publish its Friday's issue on Thursday afternoon, so please send all news not later than Wednesday afternoon. All persons having advertisements for next week we would be pleased to have them by Tuesday afternoon. No rural mail will be delivered on New Year's day.

Mr. Oscar D. Gilbert has taken charge of the Carroll Transit Company's office. Mr. Gilbert is an officer of the company.

David Garver, of Mt. Airy, who was injured in an auto accident, any who has been in a semi-conscious condition ever since, is improving slowly.

William Parker, while working on a roof at Oakland, Wednesday, was fractured his skull. He was removed to his home at Greenville. His condition is critical.

The Western Maryland freight depot will be closed on Christmas Day, Saturday, except between 7 and 8 o'clock a. m., at which time perishable goods can be moved.

Sunday night at the parsonage of First Baptist Church, Edward F. Fisk, of Hampstead, Md., and Miss Mary Ellen Neal, of Pittsylvania county, Va., were united in marriage by Rev. Dr. W. W. Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. Fisk left for Washington, where they will make their home.

Oliver H. P. Clark, postmaster at Silver Spring, Montgomery county, who was on trial before Judge Rose and a jury in the Federal Court Baltimore this week on a charge of misusing postal funds, was acquitted. It was alleged that he had appropriated about \$1043 of the postal money to his own use.

James L. Bostian, a farmer, who lives with his sisters on a farm about two miles from Unionville, had his left hand seriously lacerated by coming in contact with a revolving circular saw December 16. He was taken to the Frederick City Hospital, where efforts are being made to save amputation. The thumb was nearly cut off, while two fingers were also badly mangled.

Was he doing a Marathon or was he looking for some one? A citizen was seen beating a pace down the railroad yesterday morning with a gun in his hand, from his haste one would have thought he was hunting for fast game. We believe he agreed to hunt for the matter when he said at the appointed time, and was hustling to catch the advanced hunters. He caught them.

An order was signed at Ellicott City Wednesday by Judge William H. Forsythe, Jr., in the case of Hart B. Noll against Matthew A. Powers, Philip S. Smallwood and Walter S. Black, Supervisors of Elections of Howard county, directing them to convene immediately as a board of canvassers and to canvass the votes in the First precinct of the Second district, which were rejected originally because the slip or paper seal over the ballot box was cut.

The Rev. Dr. Kenneth G. Murray, who resigned his pastorate at Fayette Street Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore, the latter part of November, was indicted by the grand jury last Friday. Dr. Murray was presented on an assault charge about two weeks ago, but he has not been arrested. Dr. Murray is said to have left the city on the day the presentation was returned. The capias was issued as soon as the presentation was returned, but the Sheriff's office failed to serve it.

Arrangements have virtually been completed for the incorporation of the Maryland Milling and Supply Company of Sykesville, Md. The stockholders will be Wade H. D. Warfield, Senator-elect from Carroll county; D. W. Dietrich, Philadelphia; James H. Gambrell, Jr., and James H. Gambrell, 3d, both of Frederick. They have acquired the business, good-will and stock on hand of the Sykesville Lumber, Coal and Grain Company and will lease the building, fixtures and equipment of the Sykesville property.

Clinging to the edge of a sheet of ice, with his body dangling in the icy water in the dam of the Thurmond Power Company, Charles Jones, the 12-year-old son of Mrs. F. M. Jones, Thurmont, was rescued Wednesday by Frank Harne, of Foxville. Although the boy had been in the water for more than 15 minutes and was about exhausted when Harne arrived. He pulled a rein from the harness of his horse and, making a noose, threw it about the drowning boy's head and shoulders. He then drew the boy from the water.

The State Tax Commission Wednesday gave out some advance sheets of its report which contain interesting tabulations of the relation between assessments and sales prices upon property in the State. The figures do not cover all of the property in the State, of course, but cover considerable property which has changed hands recently. It is believed by the members of the commission that the figures are a fair index of the general relation between assessments and sales prices. Carroll county's assessment amounts to \$784,969, sale price \$1,119,930, and a percentage of 70.

Last Monday Mrs. Charles O. Clemson, of Westminster, went to Prince Frederick, Calvert county, to spend the Holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gray. Mr. Clemson will leave today to join his wife on Christmas Day for an old-time Southern Maryland Christmas dinner. Mrs. Clemson has made many friends in Carroll county since coming here after her wedding to the Westminster lawyer last June, and during the late Primary Election campaign, when Mrs. Clemson made the tour of the county with her husband, she traveled over two thousand miles with her husband seeing the voters, and proved herself an excellent campaigner.

The public schools of Carroll county will open on Monday, January 3rd.

It is surprising how good the breakfast tastes when you don't know the eggs are from cold storage.

Mr. Carroll Smeak, of Louisville, Kentucky, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smeak, Mt. Pleasant, over the holidays.

Pipe Creek Methodist Protestant Sunday school have postponed their cantata, "Santa Claus," until Friday evening, December 31, when it will be given at the church, near Medford.

Mr. Hugh Fry, proprietor of the bowling alleys at the railroad, will leave January 1st, for Baltimore, where he has accepted a position. H. C. Fogle will again take charge of the bowling alleys.

Nelson Unger, of Glen Rock, who had been in the York Hospital since December 15, pending an operation, was taken to home Wednesday evening. His condition not being improved, an operation at this time was not deemed advisable by the doctors in charge.

The following new telephones were installed by the C. & P. Telephone Company recently: Women's Civic Exchange, Westminster 96 m; Miss Sarah Fisher Room, Westminster 66m; Henry D. Gentzler, Manchester, Hampstead 47P-14; Charles D. Royer, Manchester, Westminster 827P-31; Mrs. L. E. Cross, New Windsor 3w; William Black, Westminster 7m; William D. Thomas, Westminster 44w; George W. Arnacost, Hampstead 124j.

Glyndon Station, on the Western Maryland Railroad, the general store of E. C. Wheeler and the warehouse of the Avalon Company, at Glyndon, Baltimore county, were entered early yesterday morning and a small amount of money stolen. At the station the door was found unlocked yesterday morning, and it is thought that the robbers picked the lock. The telephone-exchange box was broken open and the money taken. There were many Christmas packages in the station, but as a complete checking had not been made up to last night it is not known if any were missing.

Friends of J. Earle Baumgartner will be interested to learn of his appointment as division manager of the P. Lorillard Tobacco Co., with headquarters at Spokane, Wash., effective January 1. Mr. Baumgartner has been active during the past year at Los Angeles, where he was associated with J. Maurice Eckenrode, division manager of the company at that point, and traveled through Southern California. During that time he met several of his Westminster friends who visited the Expositions at San Francisco and San Diego. Mr. Baumgartner continued quiet along the eastern waterfront in the Balkans.

The Japanese liner Yasaka Maru was sunk by a submarine without warning, according to reports from her agents. The vessel went down in the Mediterranean while bound from London to Japan with 120 passengers, one of them an American, all of whom were saved. The Dardanelles expedition has cost the British 112,921 men, these being the official figures of casualties up to December 11. Of this number, 1,609 officers and 23,670 men were killed. Petrograd advices contradict the reports of the landing of Russian troops at Varna, on the Bulgarian Black Sea coast. There was only a brush with the coast batteries there by warships pursuing a Bulgarian torpedo boat, it is declared.

Proclamation of martial law in Greece is reported unofficially to be imminent. Although no confirmation of this report is available, there is evidence of growing uneasiness at Athens over the possibility the Bulgarian troops will cross the border. General Karl Jung, a German commander, died at Thiancourt, France, of apoplexy.

Awning Removers Take Greater Risks Than Do Steeplejacks. Steeplejacks have long enjoyed a reputation for daring, but it is a question whether they come in the same class of riskers as the awning removers, who take down the "sunshades" from the fronts of houses all over the city. These removers do not need or use the rope and block and fall accessories of the steeple men. Yet they climb to places and do their work in what seems to be an impossible manner.

Starting at the street level, two or three awning removers will strip the entire front of a flat house and never go indoors. They are as agile as acrobats. They reach up to a window sill and then raise themselves to the window ledge. Finishing the window while standing on this ledge, they seize the top stone of the window, pull themselves up to it and from there reach again to the window ledge above so as to strip another window. Through the belt they wear runs a line, and with this they lower the awnings as they take them down.

How they can do their work with so little to hang on to is more remarkable than the tasks performed by the structural ironworkers. The ironworker, if he slips, has something at hand in the way of a beam around which he has a chance to lock his arms. The awning remover, when he slips, falls outward from the ledge and has nothing to clutch. Three awning removers on one occasion stripped a seven-story flat of seventy-five windows in the Bronx in the remarkable time of three hours, all from the outside.—New York Sun.

A textile made in China from raw silk can be buried in the earth a year without deteriorating.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. William Main, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Flohr, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Main, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Russell Poole, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lowman, Mrs. Laura Runkles, Mrs. Hallie Hilleary, Misses Hattie Rimbey, Emma Lighter, Cora Brashear, Helen Runkles, Pearl Garete, Minnie Belleston, Rosa Hood, Florence Rimbey, Virginia Adams, Addie Spurrier, Messrs. Herman Hall, Bernard Harrison, John Mullinix, Fred Harrison, Howard Moxley, Albert Lewis, Garrison Norwood, Leonard Lewis, John Main, Clarence Lewis, Jesse Main, Clyde Main, William Runkles, Lesley Poole, Ewils Harrison, Lawrence Grim, Roscoe Thompson, Roscoe Dayhoff, Albert Main, Alfred Harrison, Wesley Poole, Russell Hood, Earnest Pickett, Willard Gonnell, Jim Grim, McKinley Rimbey and others.

Daughter's Idea. Mrs. Brown was in the habit of introducing her big daughter as, "This is Jane; she is only fifteen—you'd never think it would you?" At last the girl protested, "It's mean of you to tell everybody how young I am. I could have a lot better time if you didn't."

WANTED. Agent wanted to control exclusive sale for entire Carroll County on Ruscience. New process for removing rust and taking apart rusted fittings. No competition; Unlimited untouched market; unusual margin of profit; "Repeat business"; Steady; Every garage, plumber, blacksmith, home, mfg. plant, etc., a prospect. Only "live wires" wanted. S. W. Blankman, 1063-1069 Calvert Bldg. Baltimore, Md. d24-1t

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GERMANS GAIN LOST GROUND

The Dardanelles Expedition Cost the British 112,924 Men. The much-disputed summit of Hartmans-Wellerkopf, in the Vosges, is again in German hands, according to Berlin. It is announced by the War Office that the peak, taken by the French on Tuesday, was recaptured by a Landwehr regiment, the French defenders of the position suffering heavily and losing more than 1,500 men and 23 officers taken prisoner. On the other hand, the Paris official communication says that while the French to the north of the summit have withdrawn to the positions they previously occupied, the troops on the ridges southeast of the summit and further to the south have conserved about a mile and a quarter of conquered ground. The current official reports indicate continued quiet along the eastern waterfront in the Balkans. The Japanese liner Yasaka Maru was sunk by a submarine without warning, according to reports from her agents. The vessel went down in the Mediterranean while bound from London to Japan with 120 passengers, one of them an American, all of whom were saved. The Dardanelles expedition has cost the British 112,921 men, these being the official figures of casualties up to December 11. Of this number, 1,609 officers and 23,670 men were killed. Petrograd advices contradict the reports of the landing of Russian troops at Varna, on the Bulgarian Black Sea coast. There was only a brush with the coast batteries there by warships pursuing a Bulgarian torpedo boat, it is declared. Proclamation of martial law in Greece is reported unofficially to be imminent. Although no confirmation of this report is available, there is evidence of growing uneasiness at Athens over the possibility the Bulgarian troops will cross the border. General Karl Jung, a German commander, died at Thiancourt, France, of apoplexy.

W. D. BOND

Announces to his Patrons and the Public Generally that he will run one of the Largest Sales of LADIES' AND GENT'S FURNISHINGS ever held in this City, Beginning January 3 at 9 o'clock a. m. Watch for our ad next week Wishing my Patrons and Friends a Merry Christmas I am yours to serve W. D. Bond, 28 West Main Street, Westminster, Md.

I Wish All of My Friends and Patrons a Very Merry Christmas.

D.S. Gehr, The Hardware Man On The Corner.

"DRYS" ATTACK A BRIDGE

Wheeling Prohibitionists Want To Prevent Thirsty From Crossing It. Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 18.—The courts of this State in the near future will be asked to determine whether or not a bridge connecting two states is a common carrier. The State Prohibition Department is aiming a blow at the vitals of the thirsty of this city, who supply their wants by crossing the bridge connecting this city with Bridgeport, Ohio, where a number of saloons are reaping a harvest of gold by supplying their wants.

IT'S "OASIS" TO DRY UP.

Whisky Cannot Be Brought In Fairly from Pennsylvania Town. Fairmont, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Liquor dealers in Point Marion, Pa., across the State line, and the railroad that runs between there and this city will be heavy losers as a result of the injunction restraining the railroads from hauling intoxicants into West Virginia, and the decision of the railroads to stop hauling intoxicants even as personal baggage beginning next Monday.

HOSE STEAKS FOR NEW YORK

First American City to Follow in the Wake of Paris. New York, December 22.—Horse steaks are in prospect in New York today. The Board of Health repealed a section to the code prohibiting the slaughter and sale of horse flesh for food. It is effective January 1. While Paris has been eating horse flesh for years, New York will be the first American city to have it.

Never Had a Doctor.

Ravenna, Nebraska, Dec. 15.—Michael Kneiss, a resident of Ravenna, is 100 years old, yet he never spent a dollar for medical attendance in his life. He has all his teeth except two, which he extracted himself, with a pair of pincers several years ago. Until after he was 80 years of age his eyesight was unimpaired and he now uses glasses only for reading and very particular work.