

The Democratic Advocate



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86 LYNCHINGS IN 1915.

Of the 86 lynchings reported in 1915, 18 of which occurred in Georgia, in at least four cases it was found later that an innocent victim had been killed.

Lynching is a crime which cannot be condemned because the inciting act is infuriating. This fact, indeed, because it deprives men aroused to passionate frenzy of any ability to weigh the evidence of guilt of the victim, makes the wrong all the greater and that wrong is committed not only upon the sufferer, but upon the community and those principles of law and order upon which civilization is founded.

Our community was stirred only recently to its depths by a dastardly and brutal outrage so that every drop of blood in the county crosses through the veins hot with passion.

Lynch law cannot be regarded with too much horror nor deprecated too strongly and when the provocation to it arises every man who values law and order should set himself sternly against it.

The last lynching to occur in this county took place years ago at Spring Mills, where a colored man was hung to a tree and his body riddled with bullets.

We sincerely hope our community will not have the like to be charged up against it again.

SUPPOSE WE CO-OPERATE!

We publish an editorial taken from the Wall Street Journal which says:

"Reports from St. Louis and New Orleans, as well as other western and southern cities as far as the Pacific coast, note that special efforts are being made to gain the trade of Mexico, now that the much-longed-for peace is in sight. But there is a difference worthy of note in these dispatches. Most of them state that the commercial organizations are planning to execute a vigorous selling campaign in the interest of their factories and mercantile houses. Only in rare instances do we hear of any emphasis being laid upon the necessity of buying what the Mexicans have to sell.

"Surely the buying side of the campaign is as directly related to the selling side as are the blades of a pair of scissors. It is short-sighted to think of selling all sorts of goods without taking into account the fact that most people, and especially the Mexicans, in their present circumstances, can hardly consider the question of buying, or their factories and mercantile houses, to sell, is mainly the products of the soil, of the mines, of the forests and of the great pasturing districts. We must bring these products home for consumption, in meeting our own needs for raw materials.

"A few days ago a New Orleans company was reported as having organized a \$1,000,000 corporation for handling the sisal crops of Yucatan. This is in the right direction. Capital to pay cash for Mexican staples brought here for consumption or manufacturing, or handled commercially for export to other countries, is the most immediate means of restoring prosperity in Mexico."

NO MORE TIME TO WASTE.

Secretary of Commerce Redfield, in transmitting to Congress the annual report of the United States Commissioner of Fisheries, makes a strong appeal to the State of Maryland and Virginia for joint uniform legislative action to save the Chesapeake Bay shad industry from destruction. He declares that unless the two States take steps to conserve the shad fisheries the Government had threatened in the Chesapeake Bay will be moved to other communities where the people will appreciate them. While Secretary Redfield did not specially mention the Lanthicum Fish Conservation bills, in which the Baltimore Congressman seeks to give the Federal Government complete supervision over the fisheries in the Chesapeake Bay, he intimates that the Federal Government should do something to save the shad. Secretary Redfield favors the measures, although he has given no public endorsement of them.

Let the counties wherein the destructive pound-net, with their miles of hedging, are used, join and no longer fight the other counties of the State, and in the Legislature, this winter, let something to save the fisheries be done. Not another year's delay should be risked.

In a recent speech in Chicago ex-President Taft remarked that "present prosperity is no reason for continuing the present national administration in power." And yet ex-President Taft and the rest of the Republican standard-bearers are saying: "Restore the Republicans to power and you will have prosperity." Now, if Mr. Taft admits that the country is prosperous, and he certainly does, why should he or anyone else desire to change the national administration simply to secure something we already have? Such reasoning is unworthy of a man of Mr. Taft's intelligence.

SENATOR FALL AND THE MEXICAN PROBLEM.

If Senator Fall of New Mexico really intends to introduce a resolution calling on the President to name the Government to which he proposes to accredit Mr. Fletcher, appointed Ambassador to Mexico, on the ground that the Senator has no knowledge of the existence of any Government in that country, his aim is obviously to discredit the co-operation of the United States Government with those of the Latin-American Republics in the recent effort to adjust the Mexican difficulties. Apart from the fact that the recognition of foreign Governments rests exclusively with the President, this seems a very foolish thing to do. Our improved relations with Latin America have caused general satisfaction. Moreover, the course of Carranza since his recognition has justified that action. If Senator Fall can discover no Government in Mexico, it would be rather difficult for him to discover a revolution there now, while the business of the republic is picking up, railway service from the northern border has been resumed, and the disposition of the people seems to be to make the best of their opportunities. Of course we are continually getting information of a disheartening character through questionable channels. The interventionists are still nursing their hopes. But they are likely to tire of their pitiful policy before long, and accept the inevitable.

The Mexican problem is not yet settled, by any means, but such American statesmanship as Senator Fall represents in his attacks on that country and upon the President for his Mexican policy will not be helpful in settling it. Probably Senator Fall does not care a rap for the Pan-American ideas.—From the New York Times.

ENGLAND'S NAVY AND OURS.

No two rival nations can assume to maintain the ocean routes for national protection in war and for the defense of trade without being liable to perpetual conflict with each other. Compare the requirements of the British Empire and the United States in this matter of naval power. We have an area with our national dependencies, of 3,574,000 square miles and a population of less than 100,000,000. The British Empire has an area of 12,000,000 square miles and a population of 439,900,000, scattered over the hemispheres. Her foreign trade is valued at \$12,000,000,000 a year to \$4,200,000,000 for the United States, and her merchant shipping has a tonnage of 293,000,000 to our 106,000,000. It is absurd to talk of our maintaining a navy equal to hers. Besides, England's advantage in that respect has been no disadvantage to the United States. On the contrary, it has been a distinct advantage and is so today; and it saves this nation the enormous expense of maintaining any such navy for itself as that described by the General Board. It has been and might continue to be of benefit to all other nations in their peaceful pursuits and would be, so long as peace was kept.

There is not the least reason for apprehending that the United States will lose the advantage of friendship with Great Britain or the benefit derived from its naval power after this war, any more than in the last century of peace with that nation.—From the New York Journal of Commerce.

UNITED STATES TO BOOM.

Secretary of Commerce William C. Redfield, in a New Year's message to American business men, declared a year of unprecedented prosperity was ahead of the United States. His message is as follows:

"The year just closed has placed the United States in a position of commercial pre-eminence such as no country ever before occupied. The year just beginning should strengthen that position, and will, if the country only utilizes the opportunities offered. "Only a little over a year ago we were a debtor nation, with every outward prospect of looking to Europe, for the \$1,000,000,000 that had been paid—and we have loaned her something like \$300,000,000 besides. On the current merchandise business of the past year the world will owe us a \$2,000,000,000 balance. We have accumulated the greatest reserve of gold the world has ever seen.

"For the future your every prospect is bright. As the country has become steadily prosperous the proportion of 'war orders' business has become less and is rapidly being absorbed in the more normal output. One of the largest machinery manufacturers in the country told me this week he wanted no more war orders, for he had more than he could do in this regular trade. The railways are becoming more prosperous and there are large arrears of work for them to do, which will keep many busy. There is no fear of excessive taxation here in America. The much-discussed cost of national defense would all be paid if we would stop unnecessary fires for a single year.

"We have mobilized our finances. If we mobilize our industries with equal skill—if we will cut our corners, remove customs and abuses, long acknowledged to be harmful to it—there is no reason why we need fear anything or anybody."

Every morning the lazy man tells himself that all the good jobs for that day are already taken.—Kansas City Star.

A majority of the "tightwads" are recruited from the ranks of those who have managed to accumulate about \$20,000, or who eventually will manage to do so.

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"WEAK AND COWARDLY."

There is only one answer to be made to the Philadelphia gentleman who protests so indignantly against this newspaper's "thick-and-thin" support of President Wilson's "weak and cowardly" course with reference to the Lusitania. Some time it may be right and just to call the President's course "weak and cowardly," but that time has not yet come.

The President has already wrung from Germany, the strongest and proudest military power in the world, a renunciation of its asserted right to attack liners without warning or giving the non-combatants thereon a chance to escape; he has wrung from Germany an unqualified disavowal of the attack on the Arabic and an indemnity for the American lives lost; and besides gaining these important points, he has at no time yielded an inch in the demands he originally made in the specific case of the Lusitania.

Some people may call that the record of a "weak and cowardly" President; the Republican doesn't. And the record is not yet complete.

Charles Sumner wanted war with England rather than the arbitration of the Alabama claims. President Grant insisted that the settlement be pacific, even if it was necessary to wait several years. Was the hero of Vicksburg and the conqueror of Lee "weak and cowardly" in his policy toward England? History answers no.—From the Springfield Republican.

THE RURAL CHURCH.

Is the rural church passing? Are the days of good, old fashioned religion a thing of the past? So it would seem from a reading of the report of President Kenyon L. Butterfield of the Massachusetts Agricultural College to the Commission on Church and Country Life. Butterfield declares that the rural church must become a community institution and through its preacher and lay members promote the causes of good roads, better farming, agricultural college extension causes, temperance, public health, community beautification and planning, promotion of co-operation among farmers for buying, selling and recreation centers. Such radical change from a house where God is supposed to be worshipped to one where purely secular matters are discussed is bound to cause a widespread opposition among the religious. Many students of religion claim that the decline of the country church began when pulpits were thrown open to politicians—when the local minister attempted to dictate political elections—when the church became a political forum. There is a sound basis for this claim. Men go to church to be told of God and spiritual matters. They want to pray, to put their house in order, to hesitate in the mad rush for the necessities and luxuries of life to think of the future life. When this is denied them, and, in its place, a minister delivers a political talk, urging them to vote for this candidate or for that cause in the name of religion, the religious man rightly resents the assumed leadership of the preacher and, as a result, stays at home to commune with his God. It is a fact that two-thirds of the rural churches have ceased to grow and that 82 per cent have a membership of less than 100. To change the country church to a community house may result in much temporal benefit to the communities in which the house may be located, but what of the church? The anti-religious could find no better way to hasten the complete disruption of the church.

THE NEW ADMINISTRATION.

With the inauguration of Emerson C. Harrington as Governor of Maryland, Wednesday in Annapolis, the Democratic Party regains control of every department of the State Government after four years of Republican administration under Governor Goldsborough. For the second time in the last sixty years the Republicans have been put out of office after only four years of control in the Executive Department. There were only two Republican Governors to hold office in Maryland since the Civil War. In both instances these Republican Governors were elected by the Democratic votes. The short life administration of public affairs by the Republican party in both instances, shows conclusively that the real sentiment of Maryland is Democratic, and that the rank and file of the voters of the State believe in the principles of Democracy, and are more willing to support those principles than to adhere to Republican doctrine. It is, therefore, only necessary for the Democratic party to act with some degree of decency towards the taxpayers of the State, to keep that party in power in Maryland. The two instances noted above, however, show very conclusively that the people of Maryland do not propose to put up with mismanagement on the part of either the Democratic or Republican parties.

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VERY MUCH IN WRONG "BATH".

Smythe's mistake, which is described in an English contemporary, must have been disconcerting, to say the least.

"You'll find your bath in the outside."

Thus he had been directed the night before at the little inn where he was stopping, and that is why he was now in his dressing gown, pushing open the outside door. It was dark, but there was the tub, and he would do. He hopped in. In the middle of his ablutions the red-faced landlord thrust his head in at the door. In the dim light he failed to see the man in the tub.

"Water quite nicely warm, thanks," observed Smythe, "but it's a trifle muddy."

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MR. DENNIS ELECTED STATE TREASURER

Senator Warfield Seconded His Nomination in Caucus—Other Legislative News.

John M. Dennis, president of the Union Trust Company, of Baltimore, and a resident of Baltimore county, was elected State Treasurer Wednesday by a vote of 70 to 56, having received the solid Democratic vote in the Legislature.

Gen. Murray Vandiver, Treasurer of Maryland for 16 years, who was nominated for re-election by 52 of the 72 Democrats in the Legislature, withdrew in the interest of party harmony. The veteran went to defeat like a soldier. He was about the State House lobby when a caucus met to nominate Mr. Dennis, and he looked forward to the contest with opponents in the eye bravely and told them he felt no bitterness over the result.

Senator Warfield seconded the nomination of Mr. John M. Dennis in the following well chosen words: "Mr. Chairman and fellow legislators: 'Until noon today I had hoped that a favored son of Carroll county would be selected as State Treasurer, but since this seems impossible I wish to second the nomination of Mr. Dennis, I know John M. Dennis as a farmer, a business man and a financier and I want to say to you the chairman and fellow legislators that I do not believe there is a man more eminently qualified for the responsible position of State Treasurer within the borders of Maryland than John M. Dennis, a man of sound judgment, rare business ability and successful in every undertaking. If there was ever a case of the office seeking the man it is here exemplified—under these conditions it gives me great pleasure in seconding the nomination.'"

Senator Warfield gives authority to the Carroll County Commissioners to acquire by gift, grant, purchase or condemnation proceedings any turnpike or toll road in the county. He said that there is a toll road in Carroll—that running from Westminister toward Taneytown—and that authority is desired by the County Commissioners to take it over and make it a public highway in the ordinary sense of the word. The toll road alluded to above we believe is the Littleton road, which is the only toll road running from Westminister.

By Senator Warfield appropriating \$29,755.67 to pay the claims of persons entitled to shares of the slaughterhouse to the State Livestock Sanitary Board. Finance Committee.

Mr. William L. Hammond, Hood's Mill, has been nominated by Senator Warfield as a clerk in the bill room.

By Delegate Wooden—To sanction a bequest by George Stair to the trustees of St. Mary's Reformed Church, Silver Run, Carroll county.

By Delegate Wooden: A bill to appropriate \$29,755.67 to pay a claim of Julius O'neigh for a slaughterhouse to live stock by the State Sanitary Board.

Much Patience is Required. Any treatment of the apparently drowned, to be thorough, must take into consideration, first, clearing the mouth and nostrils of phlegm and mucus; second, the expulsion of poisonous gases from the lungs; third, the replacing of the expelled gases by pure oxygenated air; fourth, the stimulating of the respiratory organs so that they may assume their regular functions; fifth, the restoring of its normal temperature to the body.

Above all do not allow yourself to become discouraged if your efforts for resuscitation are not prompt in result, says a cutting from the Standard medical journals to prove that life does not become extinct nearly so soon as is generally believed. Men and women, apparently drowned, dragged from the water after thirty or forty minutes of submersion, have been revived. Again, operators have worked artificial respiration for as long as four hours without a sign of recovery, and then seen their noble persistence rewarded by the revival of the patient.

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HUMOR!

Fiction.

Editor (to contributor)—Why don't you make your story true to life? Contributor—What's the matter with it? Ed.—What's the matter with it? Why, here you say that "there was the sound of a shot, and immediately the street swarmed with policemen."—Judge.

Cynical Parent.

"What are your daughters studying now?" "Nothing," replied Mr. Cumrox. "They've learned all about music, painting and literature. All they've got left to learn is not to bother people with them."

Saying it Loud.

"Muriel, who was that dining with her mother-in-law in front of the house last night?" "It was Montmorency, father. Sixteen honks mean 'I love you.'"

Two Sorts of Poverty.

"They say her wedding beggared description." "Oh, more than that!" "Indeed?" "Yes. It beggared her father!"

Spiteful.

Ragged Rogers—"De lady in de next house give me a piece of homemade cake. Won't you give 'em somethin', too?" Mrs. Spiteful—"Certainly, I'll get you a peppin tablet."

Almost at That.

"Pa," said little Jimmie, "I was very near getting to the head of my class today." "How was that, Jimmie?" "Why, a big word came all the way down to me, and if I could only have spelt it I should have gone clear up."

Paying Up Days.

Landlady—"I'll give you just three days in which to pay your rent." Stude—"All right, I'll take the Fourth of July, Christmas and Easter."—Cornell Widow.

Foolish Question No.

Jovial Pedestrian—"What's the matter? Having trouble with your car?" Owner (underneath)—"Not at all. I just crawled in here to write a letter."

Beginning at the Beginning.

Bridgeman—"Now that we are married, darling, we must have no more secrets from each other." Bride—"Then tell me truly, Jack, how much did you really pay for the engagement ring?"

Not Too Exclusive.

Aunt Amanda—"Hain't you ashamed ter kum around here beggin'?" Onnie Way—"Well, this ain't a werry 'ristocratic neighborhood, fer a fact, but we musn't be too pertickler, mmm."

Shortened the Process.

"Well, Fritz, you got birched in school today?" "Yes, but it didn't hurt." "But you certainly have been crying." "Oh, I wanted to let the teacher have a little pleasure out of it!"—Answers.

A Little Deer.

Mr. Spenders—"That's what I call a 'duck of a bonnet'." Mr. Spenders—"Yes? I'd call it a 'pelican'." Mr. Spenders—"A 'pelican'?" Mr. Spenders—"Yes, on account of the size of the bill."—Answers.

Always on Time.

A—"Can you recommend Smith as a punctual man?" B—"Most certainly. He begins work punctually 15 minutes late, and stops promptly at the whistle blow."

Nor Her Feet.

"Does your daughter play the piano by ear?" "No; she uses both hands, but don't think she has learned to use her ears."

Everything Taken In.

"Jager always knows just what would save the country. He takes in every point." "And what does his wife do?" "Oh, she takes in washing."

Safety in Idleness.

"My good man, don't you know you must work if you wish to get along in this world?" "Lady, my father died at work, my brother was hurt looking for work, my sister fell off a car coming from work, and I ain't going to take no chances."

A Hot Performance.

"What was the name of the opera last evening?" "Why, er—Asbestos." "How do you know?" "I saw it on the curtain."

Putting Him Wise.

"I say, old chap, I'm in shocking luck. I want money badly and haven't the least idea where I can get it." "Well, I'm glad to hear that. I thought perhaps you had an idea you could borrow from me!"

Helping Uncle.

She came down to the drawing room to meet her special young man with a frown on her pretty face. "John," she said, "father saw you this morning going into a pawnbroker's with a large bundle." John flushed. Then he said in a low voice: "Yes, that is true. I was taking the pawnbroker some of my old clothes. You see, he and his wife are frightfully hard up."

Was It Black?

Prospective Boarder—"What's the idea of the cerpe on the door?" Landlady—"Why, that's no cerpe that's the towel."

NUSBAUM & JORDAN WESTMINSTER'S BEST STORE Spring Goods Begin to Arrive February First Our advertisement next week will be devoted to news and descriptions of our "PREPAREDNESS" for the Spring Season of 1916. NUSBAUM & JORDAN, Westminister, Md.

CLEAN COAL-PROMPT DELIVERY THE BURNING QUESTION is completely and satisfactorily answered by OUR COAL It solves every coal problem with ease, convenience and true economy. What we say we mean—and what we mean, we say. LUMBER COAL & SUPPLY CO. Westminister, Maryland.

IN MEMORIAM. In sad but loving remembrance of our dear parents, "Christians" who departed this life one year ago, January 23, 1915, and Lewis Shipley, who died June 30, 1915. Mother and father's going away was like the passing of a sunbeam, leaving our hearts chill and lonely, but the memory of them is ever present, a sustaining influence for a higher and better life. Do we forget? No; in each heart there lies a secret place, where a hid room most aye, Dwells strong and true, and love that never dies, Nor can forget. Whenever we speak of your loving names, Till we reach that shining shore, Then, Oh, Father let us have them, Save and keep them as before. There is no toll in Paradise, Far up beyond the deep blue skies, Mother's hair is over, her crown is won, God's holy will, not ours, was done. BY HER CHILDREN.

No Spray - No Fruit! USE SOLUBLE SULPHUR COMPOUND To Insure Sound Fruit. It is clean, easy to handle, and does the work. A 100 lb. drum is preferable to a barrel of Lime-Sulphur, and you won't pay for freight and hauling of water. We URGE you to place your orders NOW with your dealer, or RAWLINGS IMPLEMENT CO., Mfgs., Wholesalers & exporters of Farm Implements, Pumps & Engines. BALTIMORE, MD. "Tell us your needs."

WESTMINSTER MARKETS. By N. I. Gorman, Sec. Co. January 28, 1916. Wheat \$1.28, Corn \$1.20, Oats \$1.15, Hay \$1.50, etc.

FOR SALE. 15 Horse Power Stationary Engine and Boiler, in good condition. A Bargain. 6 Horse Power Fairbanks Type F Gas or Gasoline Engine in good condition. Can be seen at the Times Office. 12 Horse Power Frick Boiler and cut-off Engine. Just received a car load of Low Steel Corn King Spreaders. Will spread from 4 to 10 feet wide. See them before you buy.

EVERYBODY That knows anybody, is going with Everybody, to Frank S. Stewart & Co., Main and John Sts. For their Raisins, Currants, Citron, Dates, Oranges, and Candies. We have the finest quality of Nuts this season that we have ever had. Try them. Old time home-made Mince Meat, best yet! Ward's Cakes, good and fresh. Agents for Victor Victrolas and Records, come in and hear them. Beautiful Hanging Lamps, suitable for Presents. Handsome open stock Dinner-Ware. A handsome Calendar to every customer purchasing \$1 worth or more while they last. FRANK S. STEWART & CO.

FARMERS SUPPLY CO., Westminister, Md. Jan 28. NOTICE TO CREDITORS. This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the Personal Estate of WILLIAM F. BECHTEL, late of Carroll county, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 28th day of August 1916, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 24th day of January, 1916. BARBARA J. BECHTEL, Administratrix.

YOUR COAL APPETITE IS GOVERNED BY CONDITIONS OF COURSE. The big husky fellow on the farm can eat anything. The big, liberal citizen will take such coal as he can get and be thankful, in a time like this. Smith & Reifsnider will take care of your order.