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SALE OF SCHOOL LOTS

FOUR SCHOOL BUILDINGS WERE DRAWN ON LOW BIDS—THE SALE WAS HELD AT COURT HOUSE AND WAS LARGELY ATTENDED.

The 15th instant the Board of Education offered at public sale the Wakefield Public School lot and building in New Windsor district and sold same to Howard H. Devillis for \$300.00; the Freedom Public School lot and building in Freedom district was sold to former Senator Johnnie E. Beaman for the sum of \$500.00; Poole's Public School lot and building in Berrett district, adjacent to Wooley's and Freedom, was sold to George F. Murphy for \$600.00; Silver Run public school lot and building at Silver Run, in Myers' district, was sold to Jacob Koontz for \$1000.00; the following public school lots and buildings were offered for sale and withdrawn because the price bid was not deemed sufficient by the Board, namely: Franklin Public School lot and building in Middleburg district; Morelock public school lot and building in Uniontown district; Four Corner public school lot and building in Franklin district and Carroll Academy public school lot and building in Union Mills-Myers' district.

A large number of people attended the sale which was held at the Court House door in Westminster. Among those noticed at the sale were many of the most prominent and distinguished citizens of this county. Former Senator Beaman mingled with the crowd and urged the bidders to pay the highest market price for the school properties. The property that Mr. Beaman bought was formerly a part of his farm. Nathan H. Baile, cashier of the First National Bank of New Windsor for over fifty years was present in the interest of the Wakefield public school lot which is adjacent to the Wakefield church and he united with Mr. Devillis and others of the neighborhood in the purchase of this school lot because his parents and Mr. Devillis' parents and others were buried in the church lot which is adjacent to the school lot. The old Carroll Academy at Union Mills was bought by a committee of citizens of the village as a hall for a proposed fire engine company and a community center. The sum of \$1050. was bid for this lot, but the Board of Education refused to sell the property for less than \$1500.

Presidents Election Expense

To elect a president of the United States according to statistics, a large sum of money was expended. The expenditures of the two leading parties were as follows: Republicans, \$3,109,739; Democrats \$2,237,770. In addition to this the expenses of the candidates including the primaries, were as follows:

REPUBLICANS	
G. Leonard Wood	\$1,773,303
F. O. Lowden	414,984
Hiram Johnson	194,493
Herbert Hoover	173,542
Warren G. Harding	112,100
Miles Poindexter	77,150
Calvin Coolidge	68,275
N. M. Butler	40,550
Howard Sutherland	4,145
Total	\$2,829,542
DEMOCRATS	
A. M. Palmer	\$79,610
James M. Cox	23,000
E. L. Edwards	12,900
J. W. Gerard	14,040
R. L. Owen	8,285
G. M. Hitchcock	3,237
Total	\$120,452

Total expenditures... \$13,218,331. The Republicans spent \$10,960,281 and the Democrats, \$2,358,252, less than one-fourth of the amount expended by the Republicans. Add to the foregoing amounts the expenses resulting from the cost of holding the election throughout the state, and the amount will reach many million dollars more.

STATEWOOD

The Fourth Quarterly Conference was held at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage here on Saturday past. Dr. Barnes gave an address at the church at 11 a. m.

Master Ralph Weiss is real sick at this writing. Gertrude B. Benson spent Saturday and Sunday with her friend, Marjorie Baldwin in Catonsville. Mr. Mack Shipley is improving his place by erecting a large wagon shed. Mr. Beard and his men are doing the work.

Mrs. Chas. Benson, of Baltimore, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Frizzell.

Ethel M. Edberg of Baltimore, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shipley and family.

Caroline Buckingham, of near here, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pickett, of Highfield.

O. G. Isaacs has returned home after spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Bush, Jr.

Some people have great faith in Warren G. that he will get their "badwelder" back for them. What will poor old "Home Brew" do then?

WEDDINGS

Alexander-Hess.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. E. Hess announce the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Emma, to Mr. Andrew Daniel Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben H. Alexander, of Keymar, on Wednesday. The wedding took place at the home of the bride's parents, near Taneytown, at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The marriage was performed by Rev. L. B. Hafer, pastor of the Lutheran Church, of Taneytown, to which both the families belong. The bride and groom entered the parlor unattended while the wedding march was played by Miss Anna Null, a cousin of the bride. The only other witnesses were the parents of the bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Hess, and child and Mrs. L. B. Hafer. After the ceremony refreshments were served and the happy couple left for a wedding trip to New York and other points. They will reside on the Alexander farm, near Keymar.

Brown-Berry

A quiet wedding of much interest in Howard and Carroll counties was celebrated at the home of the Rev. E. Frank Fielding Saturday morning, which united Benjamin F. Brown, Jr., and Miss Lillian E. Berry, both of Sykesville. The bridesmaid was Miss Louise May Berry, sister of the bride and the groom's attendant was William Brandenburg. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Brown left on an auto tour that will carry them into the State of Ohio, where they will spend some time among friends and relatives. They will return by way of Buffalo, Rochester, Albany and New York. The bride and groom are among Sykesville's most popular young people. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Berry and the groom a son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will make their home in Sykesville.

Miller-Frick

Mr. Wilbur E. Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Miller, of Bird Hill, and Miss Viola E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Frick, of Smallwood, were married March 2, at the Methodist Protestant parsonage, Deer Park, by Rev. J. N. Link. The only attendants were Mr. Albert Frick and wife, brother-in-law of the bride. The reception was held at 9 o'clock for the two immediate families.

The bride wore a gown of seal brown satin, trimmed in georgette and lace. The groom wore navy blue with white tie. The bride's maid was dressed in Harding blue satin, trimmed with gold lace. The best man wore navy blue with white tie. The bride and groom have lots of friends who wish them a long and happy life.

Dern-Troxell

Miss Julia Troxell and Clarence Dern were quietly married in Thurmont, at the Reformed parsonage by the bride's pastor, Rev. P. E. Helmer. The bride wore a blue traveling suit with grey hat and gloves and carried carnations. Mr. and Mrs. Dern left for Baltimore and Washington. On their return Sunday, a reception was given them by the bride's mother, Mrs. Lewis Troxell. Only the immediate friends of the family were present. Mr. and Mrs. Dern will be at home in Taneytown after April 1.

Harman-Wolf

At the St. James Lutheran parsonage, Gettysburg, Pa., March 8, Dr. J. B. Baker united in marriage Sarah Catherine Wolf and Henry Thomas Harman, both of near Littlestown. Mr. Harman is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Harman, of Taneytown, Md., while the bride is a daughter of Mrs. Savilla Boose, of Littlestown.

Baker-Engler

Guy Edgar Baker, of Unionville, Md. and Miss Ruth Esther Engler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Engler, of near New Windsor, were married in Frederick, Md., March 16, by Rev. J. O. Wrightson. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Baker left for Washington, D. C.

ML Airy (High School Prepares For Baseball)

The Mt. Airy High School baseball team has organized for 1921 and much progress is being made to develop a first-class team. Twenty boys have reported. They are Dwight Walker, Ernest Walker, Rufus Day, Stanley Cronwell, Reuben Leatherwood, Wilson Kunkles, Albert Grinnell, Hillary Ripley, Marshall Gosnell, Belvey Mullix, Parker Glover, Howard Spurrer, Charles Mullix, Kenneth Henderson, Donald Gosnell, Lloyd Baker, Allen Wilson, Nathan Glover, Joseph Molesworth and Chas. Bowman.

The officers are: Captain, Dwight Walker; manager, Wilson Kunkles; coach, R. S. Hyson; L. Keller Smith is principal of the school.

The schedule will be April 1, Westminster High School, at Westminster; April 8, Sykesville High School, at Mt. Airy; April 15, Mt. Airy, at Hampstead; April 22, Middletown High School, at Mt. Airy; April 29, Hampstead High School, at Mt. Airy; May 6, Mt. Airy, at Sykesville High School; May 10, Mt. Airy, at Middletown High School; May 13, Gaithersburg High School, at Mt. Airy.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

TRANSFERS OF REAL ESTATE, ORPHANS COURT, MARRIAGE LICENSES, ETC.

Transfers of Real Estate.

Oscar D. Gilbert to William J. Storp, 8900 square feet, for \$5. John E. Douthett and wife to Joseph P. Nawrot et al., 36 acres, for \$10. Sallie Grace Coppersmith to John B. Saylor and wife, lot for \$5300. Joseph W. Smith et al. to John B. Saylor and wife, several lots for \$10. Wm. B. Bankard and wife to Hayden C. Bollinger and wife 152 acres, for \$8500.

Mary Royer to Leander L. Royer et al. 2 tracts, for \$10. Guy W. Steele et al., Trustees, to William H. Rigler, 108 acres, for \$4973.75.

Guy W. Steele et al., Trustees to Harry Schiller, 2 acres, for \$269. Mary Jape Bloom to Joseph B. Cartzenadner and wife, lot, for \$59. S. Grace Coppersmith and husband, to David R. Geiman et al., 12 acres, for \$10.

David R. Geiman and wife to Sallie Grace Coppersmith, 72 square perches for \$10. Elmer C. Reaver and wife, to John W. Heilbride and wife, 1 acre, for \$825.

George Edward Cox and wife to John W. Coker and wife, 2550 square feet, for \$10. George J. Lowe and wife to John W. Robertson and wife, 9 acres, for \$1975.

James E. Smith and wife to George E. Benson, 17,775 square feet, for \$200. William E. Markel and wife to Lotie C. Frock and husband, 3 tracts, for \$8800.

George Flegle et al. to Alice A. Hitchcock, 2 lots, for \$100. Alice A. Hitchcock and husband, to L. Grace Flegle, 2 lots, for \$100.

Jacob M. Feaser and wife to H. E. Tressler, tract, for \$500. Lester L. Rickell to Thomas N. Rickell, 5190 square feet, for \$5.

William H. Chesney, Executor, to Walter R. Rudy, 155 acres, for \$15,625.50.

Leonard Kreitzer and wife to William N. Sherman, 89 acres, for \$3000. William N. Sherman and wife, tract, for \$6000.

Franklin I. Stephan and wife to J. Henry Leister, 1/2 acre, for \$5. John R. Warehime and wife to Joseph D. Owens and wife, 65 acres, for \$5.

Frank W. Armacost and wife to William L. Armacost and wife, 5538 square feet, for \$300. Harvey G. Wantz and wife to Josiah G. Wantz, and wife, 145 acres, for \$5000.

Mercantile Deposit & Trust Co., Executor, to Joseph H. Hemler, lot, for \$500.

David H. Reifsnider and wife to Jesse J. R. Sents, 15 acres, for \$2575. William F. Lynch et al., to William H. Lipny and wife, tract, for \$1495.

William H. Robertson and wife, to Anna H. Miller and husband, tract, for \$8000. Susie Diehl to Freddie A. Brown, 4 acres, for \$115.

Carroll D. Shaffer and wife to Harry E. Sullivan and wife, 45 acres, for \$2500. Willard H. Kress and wife to William H. Myers and wife, several tracts, for \$3750.

Dennis T. Buckingham and wife to George R. Hook and wife, 104 acres, for \$10. John P. Myers and wife to Maggie J. Herman and husband, 4 acres, for \$200.

Victoria M. Lemke and husband to Maggie J. Herman and husband, 1 acre for \$50. John Henry Leister and wife to George C. Leister and wife, tracts, for \$10.

Erna Garner et al. to Jesse P. Garner, 8 acres, for \$800. Jennie A. Lescalette and husband to Minnie B. Porter and husband, 2 lots, for \$10.

Jacob Buchman to Walter C. Trout, 2 acres, for \$450. William H. Lipny and wife to Walter C. Trout, 155 perches, for \$1550.

Harry O. Sandruck and wife to O. Clay Abbott and husband, tract, for \$1700. Ira Rohrbach and wife to Joseph Bradshaw and wife, tract, for \$8500.

George B. Warner and wife to John S. Werner, 29 acres, for \$3900. William J. Rupp and wife to George W. Frederick and wife, 6 acres, for \$266.50.

Orphans' Court

Monday, March 14th.—Harry G. Babylon, executor of Tobias L. Starner, deceased, returned inventories of personal property and debts.

John L. Magee, administrator of Joshua P. Magee, deceased, returned an inventory of personal property.

Letters of administration on the estate of Jeremiah Flohr, deceased, were granted unto Eulalia B. and Robert F. Flohr, who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

Fannie R. Caple, administratrix of Sarah J. Caple, deceased, reported sale of personal property and settled her first and final account.

Robert L. Weaver, executor of Mary E. Weaver, deceased, settled his first and final account.

Tuesday, March 15th.—Susan A. and Elwood L. Murray, executors of Charles W. Murray, deceased, received an order to sell personal property.

The last will and testament of Mary L. Baker, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Harry Bak-

er, who received an order to notify creditors.

Margaret R. Witherow, executrix of Hiram L. Witherow, deceased, returned an inventory of personal property.

The last will and testament of Edward E. Reinhold, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Edward E. Reinhold, Jr., who received warrant to appraise and an order to notify creditors.

William F. Lynch and Margaret E. Saultle, executors of Mary S. Zopp, deceased, settled their first and final account.

Marriage Licenses.

Joseph N. Esterline and Emma Viola Whitmore, both of Union Bridge. Frederick A. Kauffman, of York, Pa., and Kathryn H. Bentz, of Hanover, Pa.

Lorenzo Shanabrook and Annie M. Cox, both of Hanover, Pa.

Vernon Walter Myers, of Westminster, and Grace Berkeley Harry, of Pinksburg.

Roscoe E. Klinefelter, of Gettysburg, Pa., and Sarah C. Wagner, of New Oxford, Pa.

Roland Franklin Hill, of Patapsco, and Violet Ethel Hughes, of Carrollton.

Andrew David Alexander, of Keymar, and Margaret Emma Hess, of Taneytown.

Differ on Postmasters

Harding May Retain Wilson's Civil Service Principle.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—There apparently is a wide divergence of opinion among House Republicans as to the method to be followed in the selection of former President Wilson's civil service principle.

The replies are being tabulated and will be laid before Postmaster General Hays, who is expected to take them with him when he talks the situation over with President Harding.

Hays has given no indication of what the President will make to the organization, and a final decision is not expected for some weeks.

Retention of the civil service principle in whatever plan finally is worked out, is expected by some Republican leaders. Great numbers of applications for post office appointments are being received by Senators and representatives, as well as by the Postmaster General.

Western Maryland Fish and Game Protective Association Organized.

The Forest and Stream Club was represented by J. Albert Mitten, Dr. Glenn W. Horner and H. L. Hobby, at a meeting held in Hagerstown, on Wednesday afternoon of this week.

The various clubs and associations of the Western Maryland counties for the purpose of organizing an association which has for its object the propagation and protection of fish and game in Western Maryland and to co-operate with the State and Federal authorities in game and fish conservation.

It is expected that an organization of this kind will be able to accomplish such good, and that with the co-operation of the sportsmen of Western Maryland, better laws will be enacted and we will have better fishing and hunting. E. L. Masters, of Hagerstown, was elected president; James J. Rowe, of Frederick, Lynn Harris, of Cumberland, and J. Albert Mitten, of Westminster, vice-presidents; H. L. Hobby, secretary; and Fred Dryer, of Cumberland, treasurer.

Executive committee, Ralph Swain, James C. Rowe, Dr. Glenn W. Horner and D. Newton Benson, Reno S. Hart, H. L. Hobby and Frank L. Bentz, were appointed a committee to draw up by-laws and a constitution.

One of the first steps taken by the organization will be the drafting of a uniform fish law for all of the counties of the Western Shore, thus dealing with the existing conflicting laws of these counties.

A Former Citizen Killed

William D. Main, aged 27, a former resident of this city, was instantly killed by being struck by a train near Tampa, Fla., on Sunday, according to information received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Main, Hagerstown, who was a former resident here. Mr. Main recently purchased an orange grove 12 miles from Tampa. He is survived by a widow and his parents, a sister, Mrs. Charlotte Kay, and three brothers, Harry D. and Clarence E. Main, of Youngstown, Ohio. His body has been shipped to Hagerstown via Harvey Stone, Pennsylvania Avenue, is an aunt of Mr. Main.

Col. Weant Heads Birnie Trust Co.

Col. Edward O. Weant, this city, was elected president of the Birnie Trust Company, Taneytown, at a meeting of the board of directors Monday. Col. Weant succeeds the late Edward E. Keindollar.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Benjamin's Lutheran Church will serve lunch at Mr. A. H. Young's sale, on Monday, March 21, and ask patronage of all those who attend.

COUNTY FARMERS' FEDERATION

HERBERT R. WOODEN ACTED AS PRESIDENT—CONSTITUTION FORMED—COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The meeting in the County Agent's office last Saturday for the purpose of completing the County Federation was a big success and was well attended.

Mr. Herbert Wooden, of Sydersburg Grange, acted in the place of the president who could not be there because of sickness. County Agent Fuller acted as secretary of the meeting after the reading of the minutes Dr. F. B. Bomberger, Assistant Director of Extension Work of University of Maryland, gave a talk on the County Federation in forming a county-wide program. The Federation is formed by six delegates from each of the local and county-wide organizations. This body in turn is represented on the council of the Maryland Agricultural Society by sending a member to that organization. This organization is then already affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation. This organization at present has four committees working on the marketing of wheat, live stock, canned goods, and dairy products, and spends annually \$250,000 in securing information in order to better the conditions of the American farmer.

The constitution for the Federation was read and adopted. The purposes of this organization are:

(a) To increase the efficiency of all community organizations in the county by bringing to each of them the support of every other local community organization for their mutual benefit.

(b) To enable the farmers of the county to speak in a united way upon questions of public concern.

(c) To encourage and develop all the interests of rural life, such as production, transportation, distribution, sanitation and the development of community spirit and service in every neighborhood.

The Federation meetings held every two months will be open to all interested in the work, but only delegates can vote. The next meeting will be held April 9th in the County Agent's office at 1:30 p. m. by which time it is hoped that all county organizations will have had a meeting, the delegates presented the constitution and by-laws to their own organization, and these organizations in turn having appointed their six delegates for the coming year. Any organization that is organized for the betterment of rural life can become a member of this federation by complying with the constitution and by-laws. The following committees will be appointed at the next meeting: committee for program of work for boys and girls clubs, exhibit committee, appropriation committee, and temple of agriculture committee.

Former Carroll Counties to Run Lime and Stone Business.

Sale of the Decarbonated Lime and Stone Company, an extensive stone-crushing industry, of Waynesboro, to a local syndicate composed of A. R. Warner, J. Edward Beck, Clayton Shaffer, Lester M. Beck and Carl Warner, is announced. The new organization is as follows: President and general manager, A. R. Warner; first vice-president, Lester Beck; second vice-president, Carl Warner; treasurer, J. Edward Beck; secretary and assistant general manager, Clayton Shaffer. The new company takes immediate possession and will conduct the business along former lines. The company was incorporated in 1900.

Messrs. J. Edward Beck and A. R. Warner are natives of Linwood, and are well known in this section.

Western Maryland Students to Sing.

Messrs. Coleman and Dawson, tall college, will aid pastor Maxwell in student services of Western Maryland in Sunday services on the Freedom charge on Sunday, March 20. Sermon and special music at Freedom at 11 a. m.; at St. James at 3 p. m.; and at Bethany at 7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach on the theme, "Man's Place in God's World." Everybody is welcome to these services.

Selling Farmers by Falsifying.

Farmers and residents of the county should be on the look out for a representative of some gas lighting concern, who it seems resorts to all sorts of false statements.

Several farmers it is reported have been taken in and induced to sign orders.

It would seem that in a fair county such as we have in Carroll county, every good and legitimate piece of home apparatus would be represented by a local representative in a high class way.

Country people are too much in the mercy of this class of floating representatives and it is high time that a culprit who stoops to say the things this representative is credited with in saying should be drummed out of the country.

CHILD BEHEADED

WILBUR FISHER THROWN THROUGH WINDSHIELD AND KILLED—FIVE OTHERS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT AT FINKSBURG.

Wilbur F. Fisher, aged 6 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fisher, of Baltimore, was killed and five others seriously injured by the overturning of a Ford touring car just east of the home of John Armacost, near Pinksburg, about 5:30 Sunday afternoon on the Baltimore pike.

All the victims were pinned under the wrecked machine and the top of the dead boy's head was severed as he was catapulted through the windshield.

His mother, who was taken to her home in Baltimore, immediately afterward, is still unaware of the boy's death, believing him to be in a hospital.

Another fatality would have resulted had not Mrs. Fisher, the only member of the party who was not rendered unconscious, crawled from beneath the twisted chassis and extricated six-month-old Dorothy from beneath a piece of wreckage.

Fisher and his family and their two friends were returning to Baltimore from Westminster when the accident occurred. They had been on a days outing. When they neared Pinksburg the car ascended a sharp incline, and swerved sharply to the right of the road. Something went wrong with his gears, and before he could right the machine it overturned.

Mrs. Fisher began screaming for assistance, after she had rescued the baby, and her cries were heard by John Armacost, a resident. He, with members of his family and several neighbors, went to the scene and the victims were extricated. A State motor policeman reached the group in a few minutes placing Fisher in his machine. He was taken to the Maryland General Hospital, and after his injuries were dressed was conveyed to his home.

A number of motorists stopped their cars to offer assistance to Mrs. Fisher, the young woman and the children, and one of them took the six of them to their homes.

Dr. J. E. Elms of Reisterstown took charge of the boys' body, which was given in charge of an undertaker. Magistrate Walsh of this city was notified and decided that an inquest was unnecessary. He gave a certificate of accidental death.

Sanctuary Choir and Male Quartette.

The boys' choir of St. John's Church will imitate the children of Jerusalem in singing the praises of Christ upon his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, at the Palm Sunday services. They will join in the solemn procession, which will follow the distribution of palms. The closing sermon of his Lenten course will be preached by Father Hayes.

The Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evening sermons will be preached by clergy from Woodstock College. The music of the service will be furnished by the choir of St. John's Church. To Holy Week will be rendered by trained voices and will be especially attractive.

The commemoration of the closing scenes of our Saviour's life on earth, so important in the work of Redemption, must prove of interest to the non-church-going as well as to the faithful. A special Good Friday service will be held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at the Mt. Calvary shrine, in St. John's cemetery.

WBI Award Contracts Soon

Contracts for the construction of the proposed colored tuberculosis sanatorium in Carroll county will probably be let within the next two weeks and the building begun immediately after.

Plans were discussed for using the water and light supply of Springfield State Hospital, at Sykesville. The new institution will be only a few miles from Springfield and it is thought such plans will prove practical. The decision definitely will be made by the Board of Health.

Appendix A's effect on existing contracts which the State hospital is furnishing light there.

Mr. Albaugh Falls and Breaks Alike

Mr. Geo. W. Albaugh, this city, while walking down the marble steps in the banking house of Baker, Watts & Co., Baltimore, yesterday, slipped and fell, breaking both bones at the ankle on his right leg. He received treatment in Baltimore, and was brought to his home in an ambulance yesterday afternoon.

He is suffering intense pain and will be confined to his room for some time.

La France Fire Engine Ordered.

This morning the contract for a La France Fire Engine, 110 horsepower, with a capacity of 750 gallons of water to the minute was signed by President Meade Ohler, Chief Frank T. Shaffer, and Edw. O. Diffendal, committee representing the Westminster Fire Company. The delivery of the fire engine is to be made between June 25 and July 1st. Mr. Withers, a representative of the LaFrance Company, received the order.

When will it end? When will the people realize that this city and State is the best market for gold bricks in the whole broad land?

PAUL WINCHESTER.

The P. O. S. of A. held a banquet on Tuesday night for the members and their wives.

RACING COMMISSION SNARLING

NEW YORK GAMBLERS REGULATING WORK OF COMMISSION—IS MARYLAND A GOLD BRICK MARKET?

Hotel Rennert, March 17th, 1921.

There are three matters of overshadowing public interest, which are already coming to the front for discussion during the present year, and which will no doubt take up a large part of the time of the General Assembly when it is in session next winter—and fortunately for the welfare and comfort of the people, not one of these questions is partisan in its character, and not one will cause any division among the voters on strictly party lines.

These matters are, first, the proposition of the Governor to bring about such a reduction of the expenses of the State Government as to warrant a decided lowering in the State Tax Rate; second, the enactment of the rigid State laws to provide for the enforcement of the Prohibition amendment to the Federal Constitution by the State Authorities, in conjunction with the National Authorities;—and, third, the enactment of additional laws to regulate horse-racing, or to prohibit racing altogether, and also to prohibit every form of gambling connected with racing in any form or in any place. These three propositions are already coming to the front in all discussions of public questions as they affect the well being of Maryland, and before the campaign is fairly underway, will no doubt hold the interest of the public here, to the exclusion of everything, except, of course, the great questions of National Import, which concern the entire Country.

The State racing Commission is already in a snarl and there is no little discussion, even among people who are not usually interested in the matter, as to the outcome of the dispute between commissioner Timanus on the one hand and commissioners Kennedy and Oliver on the other hand. Mr. Timanus contends that the commission should assume full charge of the whole business, in Maryland, without dictation from Maryland, and so deferring to the New York Jockey Club in every thing, and are practically allowing the New York Gamblers to regulate the whole work of the commission. Against this system, Mr. Timanus is making vehement protest. He takes the position that the Maryland commission was created to regulate and control racing in this State, without any dictation or interference from outsiders, and there he stands. That public sentiment, that is real public sentiment, is with Mr. Timanus, there is very little doubt but this fact does not appear to have any influence on Messrs. Kennedy and Oliver who seem to prefer to stand well with the fashionable and exclusive Jockey Club of New York. In their view Marylanders know nothing about the management of racing, or probably anything else, without expert advice from New York, or some inland county in Maryland, and so to show us how to run our schools, how to regulate all our public officials, how to manage our elections, how to bring up children, how and what to eat, how to farm, how to pave our streets, how to improve our harbor and in fact how to do everything else, even to manage our horse-racing. The only thing they have left to our own home people is the