

Interest is Being Shown in Movement To Make Clarksburg More Beautiful

Too much cannot be said, nor can too much encouragement be given the residents of Clarksburg in their effort to make this "The City Beautiful."

As a whole the people of Clarksburg have taxed the ability of the architect, the artist and the house builder in the building of their homes. They are most pleasing to the eye in their mode of architecture and design. The business houses are second to none and rank well with cities of four times the population of Clarksburg. Every citizen should feel

A Personal Pride

in what has been accomplished along this line, and should know that the movement to make Clarksburg the most beautiful city in the state has only been commenced.

In the construction of homes costing from \$2,000 to \$50,000, the architect is paid from \$100 to \$1,000 for the plans and specifications. But for the ornamentation of the grounds,

The people of Clarksburg have apparently lost sight of the fact that there is such a thing as beauty. No doubt there are some people in this city and vicinity who can see more beauty in a pile of cinders or a ragged corn field than in the most perfect rose garden that was ever planted.

Activities Not Confined.

It is not the intention to confine activities along this line to the more pretentious home. The small home owner and cottage dweller must enter into the spirit of the matter or the entire effect would be spoiled. The people of moderate income must be encouraged in this matter by those more favored by fortune. If the people who are financially able were to get busy at once with preliminary arrangements, it would be but a short time until all the unsightly places would be obliterated, and in their stead would be beautiful lawns, elegant trees and shrubbery and plants, and once more nature would be re-

would relieve the monotony of the barren winters.

What is needed in this matter is to get the women of Clarksburg interested. When that is done the work has been carried forward a long way. In cities and towns where conditions such as these here have existed the women have supplied the power.

Once the work is started

Much Enthusiasm

is sure to be shown. Even the poor washerwoman can have a few geraniums on the window ledge or a bed of asters along the walk. All of this assists in beautifying and adding pleasure to the home dweller.

It is thought that good conclusions may be arrived at if for one hour in the day business cares and commercial pursuits are forgotten and this hour is devoted to talking over how the home and surroundings can best be improved and made more beautiful—a better place in which to live. Then if one would consult with Messrs. Shuler and Barr, land-

by the young girls of the auxiliary from an attractive tea table.

Clever Impersonator.

Miss Beatrice Fitzwater, who will give a recital at the Fairview Baptist church at New Fair Grounds Tuesday evening, is a clever impersonator as well as an accomplished pianist. She recites comedy sketches, in dialect. Her repertoire includes "Nathaniel Hale," an historical play in four acts, in which she impersonates two characters; "The White Swan," by Gilbert Parker; "The Library scene from 'The Lion and the Mouse' and others.

The Rev. W. Harvey Young, assistant pastor of Grace Methodist Episcopal church, New York City, wrote to Miss Fitzwater: "You may feel happy over the reception accorded you by our audiences which are made up of diverse elements."

Meets Tuesday Afternoon.

The Mothers' Club, of New Fair Grounds, will meet at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary Swisher in that suburb. The subject for discussion will be "The Influence of the Home."

Leap Year Dance.

The ladies of the Bungalow Club of Ziesing had a very successful leap year dance in the club's headquarters there Friday night. About thirty couples enjoyed the evening's entertainment. A number of Clarksburg and Shinnston persons attended. A special car was run to Clarksburg following the affair. Gregory's orchestra of Clarksburg furnished the music.

cal energy, and which were once compressed with tight lacing and starved with the silly indoor habits thought necessary for the preservation of complexions and the "refined" air once admired. She has learned to breathe, or is learning the need of better breathing, and the best lessons she can get on this important subject are those which come with outdoor sports of all sorts.

The New Tunics.

Many of the new dresses have the overskirt of extremely full and almost even in length with the underskirt. In other models the tunic is long in front or at the sides, with a rounded, pointed or cascaded outline in the other sections. Some of the new tunics are trimmed with small ruffles or have groups of tucks, large or small, as a trimming. Frequently the material is different from that of the underskirt in weave or color, or in both. The broken skirt lines supplied by the shaped tunic of uneven length

give a very graceful appearance to the stout woman.

Codfish Hash.

Freshen one pint codfish, add to it one quart boiled potatoes, mix well, cut three slices of salt pork in very small pieces and fry brown; remove half the pork and add the fish and potatoes to the remainder; let it stand and steam five minutes without stirring; be careful not to let it burn; then add one-third cup of milk and stir well; put the remainder of the pork around the edge of the pan and a little butter over it. Simmer slowly for half an hour until a brown crust is formed, then turn on a platter and serve.

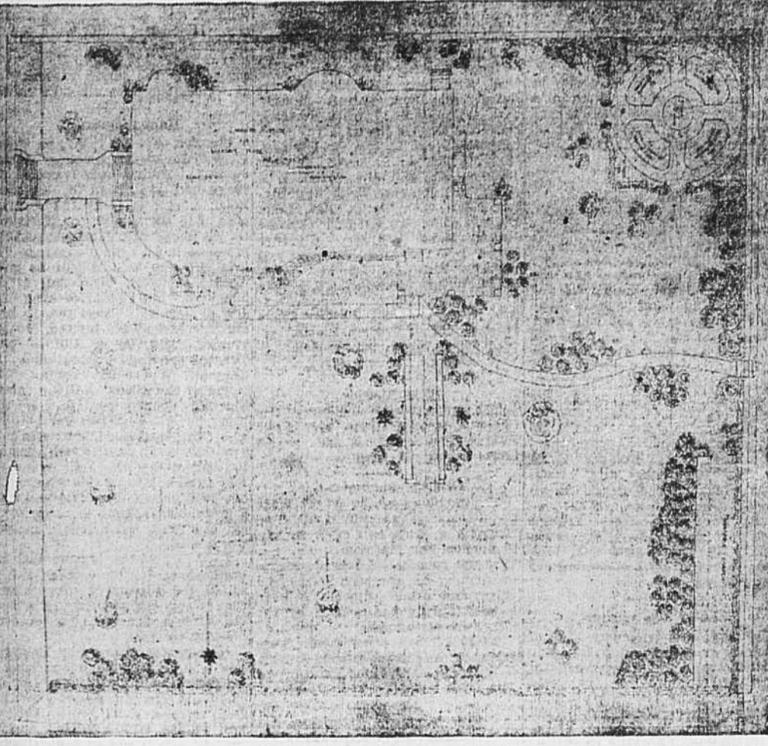
ONE MARRIAGE LICENSE.

A marriage license has been issued to Julius Ladanjy and Elizabeth Charkardy.



KEEP CLOTHES PENS OUT OF YOUR MOUTH

So many accidents have been reported lately due to the carelessness of the housewife that a series of "don'ts" have been proposed. A common habit and a very bad one is illustrated here. Holding clothes pins or any other small household articles in the mouth spoils its shape and ruins the teeth.



An illustration of the Landscape Plan to be installed on the Grounds of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thorn at Point Comfort in the Spring of 1916. C. W. Shuler, L. A.

which is just as essential, it is left to the day laborer at an expense just as cheap as can be gotten, thereby "polling the whole effect."

To get harmony and finish the landscape gardener should be consulted just the same as the building architect. One is necessary to the other and the work is not complete until both have been consulted. One undisputable fact is that the large contractors of this country employ landscape gardeners and contract for the entire completion of the home and grounds to the minutest detail. The people of Clarksburg should not be delinquent in the matter of making this one of the most beautiful cities in West Virginia.

Clarksburg paid out in wages in its manufacturing industries in 1915 \$5,000,000. How much has been paid out in beautifying streets, public grounds and home surroundings?

stored in all its primitive loveliness.

There is nothing that appeals to the stranger or the visitor in a city, town or village as much as well painted houses, grassy lawns, beautiful trees and shrubbery. When visiting other places one is full of praise to friends and neighbors of what has been seen and in a way one commences to plan to do something to improve surroundings.

Back in the Rut.

Then one falls back into the rut of commercialism, forgets his good resolutions and continues to look at the dump heaps and unsightly places for another period of time. New additions are constantly being added and planning and plotting is being carried on with no thought of beautifying the grounds. There is not sufficient ground for boulevards, or parks wherein trees could be planted, or clumps of shrubbery placed, that

scape architects, and see the slides and paintings of their work in other places, one cannot help but become an enthusiast for this work. These slides are in colors and will be exhibited on the screens of local theaters in the near future.

Opportunity is Offered.

The people of Clarksburg are being given a chance to take advantage of the opportunity that is offered by the presence of these gentlemen in this city. It is up to home owners to see and consult with these men. They will advise along lines of beautifying property and make no charge for the same. Their conversation is sure to prove a great source of satisfaction and information.

Mr. Shuler has few peers as a landscape architect and his drawings of the home and grounds are accurate in every detail. When his work is completed you have the assurance of having art, beauty and nature in one harmonious whole.

Information Furnished.

Mr. Barr, in his preliminary work, has few equals. He would be glad to call on anyone and give any information that would be of interest.

The matter is left in the hands of the public with a feeling that interest has been aroused and that all will join in an effort to make Clarksburg "The City Beautiful."

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Winter Fritters.

Break up two cups of cold cooked hominy with a fork. Add one scant cup of milk, a pinch of salt, one beaten egg and one-half cup of flour in which one level teaspoonful of baking powder is sifted. Drop by spoonfuls into hot lard and fry until brown.

Two cups of sour milk, one teaspoonful of salt, two eggs, one tablespoonful of brown sugar, two tablespoonfuls of flour and enough cornmeal to make a moderately stiff batter. Dissolve a scant teaspoonful of soda in a little warm water and stir into the batter. Fry and serve with maple syrup.

To half a cup of milk and one egg beaten light add half a cup of flour in which has been sifted a level teaspoonful of baking powder, a little chopped peppers. Use one unbroken sardine in each spoonful of batter and fry as usual.

Helpful Hints.

To remove grease from woolen goods place goods over thick padding of cloth, apply chloroform to soiled spot, rub until dry.

To clean lamp burners: Boil burner in water that beans have been partially boiled in. All tarnish will come off, leaving burner good as new.

To make house ferns grow rapidly, place four or five pieces of charcoal on top of soil; keep flowerpot in jardiniere filled with water.

When the roasting chicken or turkey looks as if it might be tough, parboil it for half an hour before putting it in the roasting pan.

After washing, before hanging out the clothes, rub the hands well with talcum powder; it will prevent them from getting chapped.

These cold days, before hanging out the clothes, wipe the lines with a cloth wrung out in salt water; it will prevent the clothes from freezing to the lines.

If you will notice, the tires on the baby carriage always wear out on the two front wheels first. When they begin to look flat change the back wheels to the front, and they will last longer.

For Inkstains.

Do not put water on inkstained material. Put at once in bowl of milk. Soak for a few hours. Then rinse out and most always the ink will disappear.

Another way is to wash out in peroxide. Use full strength and do not rub very hard.

Use of Onions.

Onions are good for cleaning steel articles that have rusted. Rub the rust spots with a piece of onion and leave for twenty-four hours. Wash and polish with bath brick dust moistened with turpentine. Wash again in suds and scald with clear water. Knives that have rust spots of long standing should be plunged into an onion and allowed to stand for some time. Finish the cleaning process as above.

Fruit Pudding.

Take one egg, beaten slightly; one-half cup butter and lard mixed, one cup milk, scant one-half teaspoonful cloves, allspice, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger, one-half teaspoon salt, one teaspoon soda, three cups flour, one cup seeded raisins, one-half cup citron, one cup walnut meats, ground.

Steam three and one-half hours. Serve with cream or wine or brandy sauce. This makes an excellent dessert and will keep a long time.

Apple Pudding.

One pint flour, one teaspoon cream of tartar, one-half teaspoon soda, two tablespoonfuls sugar, one egg, two tablespoonfuls butter, milk enough to roll, about one-half cup. Roll and spread with chopped apple.

To Clean Zinc.

Zinc should be cleansed with kerosene. Soap and water only make zinc look worse. First wipe carefully with a dry cloth. Then apply kerosene and allow it to remain on all night. In the morning rub with a soft cloth and again cover with kerosene. The zinc will be bright and clean as new. Rub occasionally with a clean cloth wrung out in kerosene.

Deep Breaths.

How the estimate of woman's beauty has changed in these last twenty-five years! Despite the ever-increasing frivolity of our dress we no longer admire the delicate feminine types, the fragile flowers, as one might call them, of long ago. With summer athletics and hygiene living at other times, a new type has been created—bonnie American girl can do things and still seem beautiful.

Now do you know what is at the bottom of this great change in looks in the type of American woman now thought ideal? The modern woman has begun to use the lungs given her by nature for the storing up of physi-

WORK IS NEGLECTED BY SCHOOL CHILDREN

Reports Show Fourth of Them Are Absent from School Every Day.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 12—Is the state wasting money on the schools of West Virginia? A prominent educator insists that it is.

"Not that the state is not doing what it should in supplying the money to carry on our institutions of learning and not that our laws are extravagant in their operation," he says, "but because twenty-five per cent of the money appropriated and spent is lost through irregular attendance of school children."

Reports received at the department of schools from county superintendents in the last school year show that more than twenty-five per cent of the children enrolled in the public schools are absent every day during the school term.

In 1914, it is shown, the record of daily absences was 91,000, or thirty per cent of the total enrollment. The report for the year ending June 30, 1915, shows an increase of three per cent in the daily attendance, and the average daily absence is reduced to \$2,000. "An army of absentees," said the educator, "equal to the total enrollment in Fayette, Greenbrier, Harrison, Kanawha, Marion, Mercer and Ohio counties."

Thirty is Average.

The total enrollment in the schools of West Virginia averages thirty pu-

pils for each teacher employed; and it is shown that there are absent each day a number of pupils sufficient to give employment to 2,700 teachers.

"Hence if it were possible properly to distribute teachers and pupils," says the observer, "the state could dispense with one-fourth of its school expenditures."

The public schools of the state last year cost \$125,000, not including the cost of permanent improvements, such as school buildings and grounds, etc. On a per capita basis this sum equals an expenditure of \$17.25 for each pupil enrolled in school. We spent \$17.25 for each of the 82,000 pupils who were absent daily as well as for those who were in attendance, which caused a waste of \$1,431,000. Of this large number of absentees each day the same pupils are not absent but the aggregate days absent average \$82,000 daily.

Other States, Too.

This poor showing of attendance is not confined to West Virginia alone. The last report of the United States commissioner of education shows that attendance is better in West Virginia than in three of the states adjoining, and is poorer than that of but two neighboring states, namely Ohio and Pennsylvania.

The per cent of daily attendance based on the total enrollment in this state is seventy-three; in Pennsylvania, eighty; in Ohio, seventy-eight; in Virginia, sixty-six; in Maryland, sixty-five and in Kentucky, fifty-five.

GERMAN BIRTH

Of Superintendent of Dredging is Denied as Reason for Resignation.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 12.—August Kastella, superintendent of dredging for the public works department, whose German birth aroused some criticism in connection with the agitation against employment of enemy origin in the government service, has been asked to resign by Robert Rogers, minister of public works, but denial is given by the department to rumors that the demand is due to his nationality.

Kastella's services, it is stated, have not been satisfactory. He has not yet complied with the request and, it was reported, does not intend to do so.

TREMENDOUS COST OF TUBERCULOSIS

\$500,000,000 Loss Yearly to the United States, Says Doctor Knopf.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12—How tremendous is the cost of tuberculosis in the United States—\$500,000,000 a year.

"Of the 150,000 people who, it is estimated, die annually from tuberculosis in the United States, I venture to say 50,000 have been bread winners. Estimating the value of such a single life to the community at only about \$5,000, this makes a loss of \$250,000,000 each year."

So said Dr. S. Adolphus Knopf, of this city, in an address before the New York Academy of Medicine, as quoted in the New York Medical Journal. Doctor Knopf, a distinguished specialist on tuberculosis, said also:

"As a rule, especially among the poor, it proves to be one of the later born (the fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, etc.) who contracts tuberculosis, and I believe this to be because when we came to the world there were already many mouths to feed and food was scant, for the father's income rarely increases with the increase of the family; and the mother, worn out, cannot bestow upon the later born children the same care which was bestowed upon the first born."

"Very often the history of the patient reveals that two or three of the younger brothers or sisters had died in early childhood from tuberculosis in one form or another. We know tuberculosis to be a preventable and curable disease, but we also know that it is the disease of poverty, privation, malnutrition and bad sanitation."

Further estimating the cost of tuberculosis, Doctor Knopf added:

"Another third (of the 150,000 annual victims), I venture to say, represent children at school age. They have died without having been able to give any return to their parents or to the community. Making the average duration of their young life only 7.5 years, and estimating the cost to parents and the community of only \$200 per annum, the community loses at least \$75,000,000."

"The value of lives of little babes, children below and above school age, adolescents not yet bread winners, and men and women no longer able to earn their living cannot be estimated in exact figures, but it is reasonable to suppose the total annual financial loss from tuberculosis in the United States to be at least half

a billion dollars.

"This does not include the expenditures for hospitals, sanitariums, clinics, dispensaries, colonies, preventoriums and other agencies devoted to the solution of the tuberculosis problem. Most of this vast sum we are spending every year for race suicide instead of race preservation."

"In the face of these figures and the suffering, misery and disappointment of parents who lose their children after having tenderly loved and cared for them for some years, I wonder if there can be any doubt in the minds of sane men that it would have been better if these children had never been born!"

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SOCIAL

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the story telling hour conducted by Miss Rutledge, English teacher, and Miss Halle Leonard, the election of officers followed, resulting as follows:

Mrs. Plumer E. Hill, president; Mrs. U. A. Vincent, vice-president; and Mrs. George W. Wissor, secretary.

It was decided to have the annual reception in April and a committee was appointed to arrange for it. During the evening a salad course was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. H. Nuzum.

Club Recital.

The February club recital of the Marento Music Club will be held in the auditorium of the Masonic temple at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, February 13. A "romantic music" program will be rendered and it will be in charge of Mrs. H. Earl Travis.

Meeting Postponed.

Owing to the arrival of Miss Helen Keller and Miss Sullivan, who will give a lecture in the auditorium of the Masonic temple Saturday evening, under the auspices of the Stone-wall Jackson Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, a meeting of the chapter which had been arranged for Saturday afternoon has been postponed, and will be held in the home of Mrs. George C. Stone on Carr avenue Friday evening, February 13. All members are asked to be present.

Candy Sale.

Notwithstanding the dreary, rainy afternoon of Saturday a very successful candy sale was held by the Junior Auxiliary of Christ Episcopal church in the parish house. Tea was served

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