

# DIG TOBACCO MART OPENS TOMORROW

### Expect All Former Prices to Be Eclipsed at Danville.

DANVILLE, Va., Aug. 14.—The Danville tobacco market, one of the largest in the world, will begin the 1918-19 season Thursday, August 15, with the prospect of breaking all previous records. The increasing world shortage in tobacco and the fact that the manufactured article has come to be a regular ration for the American troops in the field lead dealers to believe that the prices of last year will be eclipsed.

Knowing the demand for tobacco planters are cutting each leaf carefully this year and the coarse leaves at the base of the stalk which in years gone by were frequently left on the field are being picked one by one and saved.

Danville will have the basket sale system this year for the first time. Thirty thousand shallow wicker baskets have been procured and in these the tobacco will be placed on the warehouse floors. They will greatly expedite the clearing of the floors and this is a great consideration when the shortage of labor is recalled.

One picturesque feature of the tobacco market is gradually becoming lost. The tobacco wagons, closely resembling the western prairie schooner with its flared canvas top, are being displaced by automobiles. Scores of farmers have invested in light trucks and some even load the torseaux of their touring cars.

## MANNINGTON

Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Jennings have returned from Phillips, where they attended Baptist Assembly at Broadus Institute.

### As Fireman.

Arthur Anderson has returned from Wheeling, where he accepted a position as locomotive fireman for the B. and O. company. He will assume his duties in a few days.

The Baxter baseball team will play the locals at Blackshere Park here next Sunday. These teams have won once this season. Baxter winning on their home field four to two. Either Freeland, whose pitching Sunday would have won six games in seven, or Shriver, the league star, will be on the hill for the locals. Baxter will likely use their star pitcher, Hines, as a moundman in this game.

### New Truck.

Rymar's Market has purchased a large Dodge truck which they will use for delivery purposes.

### On Furlough.

Private "A" Daniels with the 31st U. S. cavalry at Fort Bliss, Texas, is home on a short furlough. He says his regiment expects to leave soon for overseas service.

### Sells Business.

George Orth has sold his plumbing business on Clarksburg street to the Mannington Plumbing Company.

### Move to Fairmont.

Mrs. I. M. Hupp and children moved to Fairmont where Mr. Hupp has been employed for some time.

### In France.

Relatives here have received word from Orville Straight of the U. S. army announcing his safe arrival in France.

### Work in Quarry.

Fifteen Mannington young men left Monday for Buckhannon and will be employed at a stone quarry on Buckhannon river near that city.

### Safe Overseas.

Mrs. Aaron Melat, of Buffalo street, has received word from her son, Clarence Melat, telling of his safe arrival overseas.

### Indefinite Layoff.

The Eureka Pipe Line Company has applied its work in this vicinity and has laid off practically its entire force of workmen indefinitely.

### Red Cross Work.

The executive committee of the local Red Cross chapter has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Miss Lucy Prichard, chairman; Mrs. L. N. Beatty, secretary; P. H. Pitzer, treasurer. The chairman has full charge of the work and conduct of the organization, the executive committee being her advisory board to which she submits her questions for consideration and advice. There are sixteen auxiliaries to Mannington chapter. Mrs. W. S. Clancy is auxiliary chairman, having full charge of the giving out of materials, and receiving the completed work. Mrs. A. M. Burt has charge of the knitting department. The cutting and sewing department is in charge of Mrs. F. E. Furbee and Mrs. Allie Hildreth. Miss Fay Mead has the surgical dressings department in charge, and Mrs. C. R. Phillips the comfort kit department.

### Called From Ohio.

A sister of Mrs. Claude Stanford has been called here from Zanesville, Ohio, by the illness of her daughter, who has been visiting Mrs. Stanford for the past week.

### Hotel Arrivals.

Bartlett: C. C. Cole, Wheeling; A. Miller, Chicago; A. F. Scheidt, C. H. Swartz, New York; J. E. Murphy, Huntington; Jas. H. Duggins, Richmond, Va.; H. E. Cochran, Clarksburg; J. A. Householder, Pittsburgh; G. W. Ford, Grafton; R. F. Neptune, Cameron.

### Persons.

Miss Eva Corbett has returned from a short visit with relatives in Bridgeport, Ohio.

George Orth spent the week end

## "OVER THERE" WITH THE YANKS.



"Can I go back on board, captain, I forgot my glove." Captain: "Goodnight! Is there anything you did think of?"

with relatives in Wheeling.

Mr. and Mrs. Chalmers Custer and child, of Elizabeth, Pa., have been guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Custer, and family in Marshall street for the past few days. Mr. Custer returned today while Mrs. Custer and child will remain for a longer visit.

Arthur Anderson has returned from a few days' business visit in Wheeling.

Mrs. E. M. Barnett and son, of Parnassus, Pa., are here for a visit with the former's brother, Earl Gower, and Mrs. Gower.

Thomas Kendall, of Littleton, is the guest of his daughters, Mrs. Phillip Rush and Mrs. H. L. Hawkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner have returned to Wheeling after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Young, of Main street.

Miss Katherine Connor, who is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. Lem Harvey, in Sycamore, has come to her home in Moundsville for a few days. Her little nephews, Charles and Billy Harvey, accompanied her.

Miss Estle Horner, of Glover Gap, was the guest of friends in the city yesterday.

Jack Enoch motored over from Cameron yesterday, spending the day with friends in Mannington.

Earl Alberts and Clyde Hibbs are business visitors in Buckhannon.

Mrs. Caroline Simms has returned to her home in West Union after a visit with friends near town.

Thomas Conaway, of Board Tree, was a business visitor here yesterday.

## BITS OF STATE NEWS

Last week's issue of The Montgomery News contained this as the leading editorial:

It is a long established custom in the life of a country newspaper for its poverty stricken editor to offer some excuse every week for his sheet being late, or without the usual amount of news matter in its columns. Most of the times he lies about it—the truth being that he didn't have the money to life the C. O. D. shipment of paper for that particular edition, or he went fishin'. Just now the war is taking care of most of the excuses, and there is more truth in them now than there were before. But what we want to convey to you just now is this: If you find anything wrong with this issue of the News, anything upside down, news out that ought to be in, or in that ought to be out, just please bear in mind that the Stork came to our house Tuesday morning and presented us with a nine-pound daughter. We've named her Marjorie Ellen, and the new boss says that "due to the continued advances in the cost of print paper, it will be necessary to increase the subscription price of the News from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per year beginning January 1st."

Says the Parkersburg Sentinel: "Dolph Lyons, of the Water works, departments, is one of those who engaged in the war garden business early in the season and it is probable there is no better kept or neatly arranged garden in the city than the one in which he has been giving his spare time for several months, and probably there is not another garden in town where there is a greater variety of vegetables, all thrifty and yielding largely. On Saturday Mr. Lyons brought to the Sentinel office one of the largest and most perfect tomatoes ever grown in the city. It measured seventeen inches in circumference one way and sixteen the other, was smooth and without a blemish, a perfect specimen of the vegetable.

The annual apportionment of funds collected from automobile licenses for the year 1918-19, supplemented by funds unapportioned last year, and federal aid for the year 1918-19 has just been made among the counties by the state road commission. The apportionment is based on mileage and the total disbursement is \$551,400, an increase over the \$435,560 apportionment last year of slightly above 26 per cent. Leaving out of consideration the federal aid, the state's aid alone to the counties this year is increased about 40 per cent. on a total

mileage of 44,554.

Kanawha county receives the largest sum in this apportionment among the counties of the state, with Pocahontas a close second. The mileage and amounts received by each of the 55 counties are as follows: The first figure is mileage and the second the amount:

Barbour	\$7,110,440.00
Berkeley	75,39,129.00
Boone	94,11,280.00
Braxton	109,13,089.00
Brooke	32,55,460.00
Cabell	69,85,280.00
Calhoun	65,87,920.00
Clay	78,99,360.00
Dodder	57,66,840.00
Fayette	104,12,480.00
Gilmer	78,99,260.00
Grant	89,39,600.00
Greenbrier	119,14,280.00
Hampshire	109,12,000.00
Hancock	45,5,400.00
Hardy	75,99,000.00
Harrison	83,99,960.00
Jackson	116,12,920.00
Jefferson	71,85,520.00
Kanawha	128,115,560.00
Lewis	79,49,000.00
Lincoln	104,12,480.00
Logan	83,99,960.00
Marion	58,36,960.00
Marshall	60,87,200.00
Mason	57,10,440.00
Mercer	96,11,520.00
Mineral	90,10,800.00
Mingo	85,10,200.00
Monongalia	97,11,640.00
Monroe	90,39,600.00
Morgan	56,36,720.00
McDowell	55,10,200.00
Nicholas	92,11,040.00
Ohio	42,5,040.00
Pendleton	95,11,400.00
Pleasants	42,5,040.00
Pocahontas	127,15,240.00
Preston	112,13,440.00
Putnam	75,39,000.00
Raleigh	83,99,960.00
Randolph	122,14,640.00
Richie	98,11,760.00
Roane	85,10,200.00
Summers	80,39,600.00
Taylor	49,35,880.00
Tucker	79,32,400.00
Tyler	89,50,000.00
Upshur	53,36,360.00
Wayne	94,11,200.00
Webster	101,12,120.00
Wetzel	98,11,760.00
Wirt	65,37,800.00
Wood	109,12,000.00
Wyoming	98,11,760.00

## Baseball at a Glance.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Results Yesterday.		
Chicago, 2; Pittsburgh, 1.		
Pittsburgh, 7; Chicago, 2.		
Brooklyn, 2; Philadelphia, 1.		
Brooklyn, 4; Philadelphia, 3; twelve innings.		
New York, 5; Boston, 4.		
New York, 5; Boston, 2.		
Cincinnati, 6; St. Louis, 0.		

### Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Chicago	68	28	.542
New York	63	43	.594
Pittsburgh	65	49	.532
Cincinnati	49	55	.471
Brooklyn	48	65	.466
Philadelphia	47	56	.456
Boston	46	59	.438
St. Louis	44	66	.400

### Games Scheduled Today.

Pittsburgh at Chicago.  
Philadelphia at Brooklyn.  
Cincinnati at St. Louis.  
Boston at New York.

### AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Results Yesterday.		
Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 3.		
Washington, 6; Philadelphia, 1.		

### Standing of the Clubs.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	63	44	.589
Cleveland	62	47	.569
Washington	60	48	.556
New York	51	52	.495
Chicago	52	54	.491
St. Louis	48	56	.462
Detroit	47	59	.443
Philadelphia	42	65	.393

### Games Scheduled Today.

Chicago at Boston.  
Cleveland at New York.  
St. Louis at Philadelphia.  
Detroit at Washington.

## Economize: Keep Your Watch Repaired.

We are at war. We should all do our duty.

We must be punctual in all our dealings with business men. If your watch is making you break engagements bring it to me and I will make it keep the correct time.

Engraving a Specialty.

**B. H. FANUS**  
Watchmaker and Engraver.  
324 Jefferson St.  
(Next Door Masonic Temple)

# WASHINGTON NEWS - GOSSIP

By CHARLES BROOKS SMITH.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 14.—Letters and telegrams of congratulations from all parts of the county, but largely from Democrats and personal friends in West Virginia outside of that party, are pouring in on Col. C. W. Watson at his office and his hotel ere since his nomination has become a confirmed fact. The pleasing part of it is, according to Private Secretary, Capt. Buckingham, that a large number of the congratulatory messages are from Democrats who, for one reason and another, opposed the nomination of Col. Watson and voted for his opponent, former Senator W. E. Chilton.

The same shower of messages is falling at the Elkins mansion on K street, but not so many because of the fact that the Republican nominee, Major Elkins, is in France or nearing the French coast, and because a large number of these congratulatory missives have been sent to Col. J. H. McDermott, the successful manager of the Elkins primary campaign, at Morgantown. However, many of the messages are for the mother of Major Elkins, whose active interest in her son's candidacy was well known to her many friends, and to Private Secretary John B. Fenton, who was Chairman McDermott's right hand man in the management of the victorious Elkins' campaign.

Interest of the state's politicians here is now focussed on who will be the state committee chairman, and consequently the campaign managers, of the respective parties, and in what cities the main headquarters will be located. A reorganization of both committees is confidently expected.

When asked about that today, Col. Watson replied, "I have made no plans for my campaign." C. L. Shaver, of Fairmont, is at present chairman of the state committee, but there is a lot of talk among the Democrats here that there will probably be a change made and that George I. Neal, of Huntington, is likely to succeed to the chairmanship if all party factions can be persuaded to unite on him. It is said that Col. Watson would be pleased if this could be brought about.

Neal has missed being state chairman three times, although once he was selected as vice-state chairman. That was in the campaign of 1908. He is regarded by the shrewdest politicians as being one of the ablest campaign managers in West Virginia. A great many Democrats have declared time and again that had he ever been given full sway in the management of their party's campaign, it might have been credited with several important victories which are now listed as most important defeats.

It is presumed pretty largely here that Col. McDermott will want to be state chairman of his party. That part eis vacant. It was held by J. H. Gaines, who resigned when he became a senatorial aspirant, and it was not filled by the committee at the time. There is also some talk of ex-Governor A. B. White in that connection. He was most active in bringing about the nomination of Major Elkins.

There is also some talk that the Elkins people may deem it advisable to enlist one of the party leaders who opposed their man at the primary. This, it is claimed, would be playing good politics. In that connection, the name of Hon. Virgil L. Highland, of Clarksburg, figures. The Republican headquarters have been located at Clarksburg in the last three campaigns and, although, he held no particular office, Mr. Highland in two of those campaigns was, as a matter of fact, virtually state chairman. The exception was in 1912 when James S. Lakin was state chairman. Highland worked with Lakin that year with great success for both of them and the party. While neither was an officer of the committee in the campaign of two years ago, yet they ran the headquarters and the campaign that year as they did in 1912. The loss of these two men to committee work this year would, it is stated by some, be a serious handicap to the party.

His visit to Secretary of War Baker being suggested by letters of inquiry from constituents, Congressman Woodyard today called upon that official to ascertain if any arrangements had been made or were about to be made, to bring the bodies of the soldiers fallen in France to their former homes in the United States. No such plans have been made yet, and they may not be until the end of the war. Then, it is the understanding, that that matter will be taken up for consideration and determination one way or the other.

Examinations for postmaster at Bridgeport, Harrison county, will be held at Weston, September 11, and for Madison, Boone county, at St. Albans on the same date. The first named of

falling to pieces, stones covering the floor, many of them just hanging, clinging desperately to the mother fireplace, but destined nevertheless to fall very soon.

Today these hall floors covered with piled up plaster, dirt and refuse, old bureaus with their drawers gone, wash stands, old tables, chair backs, and even a safe. Closed shutters let in just enough light to give a weird, forsaken aspect to everything. One looks furtively about for ghosts. The wind sighs softly as it comes gently in, sadly and reminiscently. Tattered blinds lie here and there, buried in moldy cobwebs. Some still cling by one end to windows.

Until very recently the mail partitions and hotel keys in the office remained undisturbed. For years, in the dining room, the tables stayed set with cloth and linen, silver and glass. Flowers stood in bowls till they dried and fell.

In the kitchen pots and pans stood till they rusted. All the various equipment there remained intact, until pillagers carried it away.

Winding upstairs to the floor above one found everything just as guests and owner left it. Towels hung moldy and covered with cobwebs. Bed linen was a greenish color. Chairs and floor covering was eaten by rats. Mice occupied mattress and pillows. We found brushes and combs and a few clothes left behind. We picked We found dimes and quarters in bureau drawers or tucked in corners. We even found a sewing bag with a family of mice inside and such a squeaking as we removed it from the sack of a chair. All this was many years ago. Now nothing remains but beds tumbling to pieces, broken chairs, bureau drawers, stands, bowls, old mold eaten rugs, broken dishes broken windows, debris of all kinds, right and left. The safe still remains, the dining tables are turned upside down and innumerable possessions lie broken and ruined.

Silence stretches everywhere about. These hundred rooms stand waiting for their know not what. Over them the roof has crumbled and rain pours in through the cracks and crevices.

Though the windows and doors are barred, the soul of the weary house looks out in agonized pleading. Will some one never come to bring back hope and laughter once again!

It is a beautiful, an exquisite picture for an artist. The patient worried eyes gaze mournfully out over the fields and woods. The big trees speak consolingly and lament among themselves over the tragedy. It is to them life having a disecrated grave open continually before their eyes; the grave of the by-gone years once so full of restfulness and comfort and quiet happiness.

For no one came to this hotel who cared most for a mad whirl of excitement. Both married and engaged lovers came here and many sweet faced, white haired older couples and often just grandmother alone with her gentle ways and calm spirit and pleasant courtesy.

The children came and strange to say didn't tear the place down around them; but became content to sit under the trees asleep or awake, in the midst of fairy tales or adventure. The songs in the tree tops held them charmed. They tumbled on the lawns; then smooth as velvet, now tall and overgrown; once young and content to rest steadily among ferns and wild flowers and huckleberries and mountain tea, the quaint name for winter-green leaves.

THE CHILDREN

# MONONGAH

For Miss Snodgrass.

A delightful party was given yesterday evening at the home of Lloyd Watkins in honor of Miss Rose Snodgrass, of Fairmont. At a late hour tempting refreshments were served and those present departed wishing the honor guest many more such delightful parties. The following attended: Beess Davidson, Mary Jackson, Pearl Jackson, Marie Nichols, Zola Cochran, Rose Snodgrass, Mrs. Flossie Ice, Mrs. Otha Bondy, Vera Pann, June Menair, John Watkins, Mildred Watkins, Lucy Davis, John Dodd, Marvin Morris, John Layton, Mineral Davidson, Fred Colvin, Glen McMember, Arthur McMember, Cecil Dodd, Dallas Bradey, Millard Leeper, Harmon Harden, Zack Morgan.

Grats in Possession.

Grats were so numerous in Monongah last night that it was necessary for many of the stores to turn out their lights earlier than usual. Thousands of the insects flocked around the arc lights at the corner of Main and Bridge streets.

Persons.

Mrs. C. Salvati was in Fairmont yesterday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Bear and family motored to Fairmont yesterday evening.

Albert James was an out of town caller yesterday afternoon.

Miss Carrie Fleming, of Fairmont, was in Monongah yesterday evening calling on local friends.

Miss Nelle Powell, of Fairmont, was an out of town visitor here yesterday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Fleming were in Monongah yesterday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fleming, of Fairmont, motored to Monongah yesterday evening.

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