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The Women's Hospital Association is planning a tag day for October 1. It is a little early to begin talking about it, but the cause is a worthy one.

THE COAL PROFFITEER.

OHIO'S governor displays a strong intention to go after coal proffiteers. Hoover's statement regarding proffiteers in Ohio brought the governor to warm statement.

The operators referred to, are claimed by Mr. Hoover, according to report submitted to him, to be asking from \$7 to \$10 per ton for their output.

THIS SHOULD BE DONE.

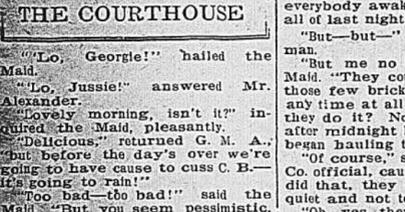
THE city is showing a disposition to go after illegitimate taxi business, a thing that has incurred more attention here.

THE MAID ON THE COURTHOUSE

"Lo, George!" hailed the Maid. "Lo, Jussie!" answered Mr. Alexander.

OUTBURSTS of EVERETT TRUE

By CONDO



NO, SIR, I HAVE LOANED YOU MY LAWN MOWER FOR THE LAST TIME! BUT THERE'S MY UMBRELLA, AND I CAN LET YOU HAVE THAT ANY TIME YOU FEEL THESE BORROWING PAINS COMING ON!!!

city can only recommend that the state withdraw a license after a driver becomes offensive, or proves an unfit or dangerous driver.

TRY AGAIN.

IT is a matter for regret that Battelle District, Monongalia County did not carry the good roads bond election held last Saturday.

Interference from the outside, discouraging stories circulated, and untrue propaganda spread about, influenced voters who should have looked at the great gain for their district, and allowed no outsider to distract them from the real point to be made.

It is to be hoped that the leaders for good roads in Battelle Districts will not become discouraged. There are enough progressive voters in the district to eventually win out.

THE TRUTH ABOUT WEST VIRGINIA.

THE West Virginia Publicity Committee is launching a lot of fact about West Virginia that is pure gold in the way of information.

Governor MacCorkle, in his discussion, repeats almost verbatim, the discussion carried editorially by the West Virginian during the trouble in the southern end of the state when an acute situation prevailed there a little over a year ago.

Fairmont is to have a new candy shop and the Keith vaudeville is scheduled for the opening week of September. Looks like there would have to be some strenuous economy during the next two weeks on the part of the young swains of the city in order to hold their ground in the face of the increased demand on their pocket books.

State fairs are being featured over the eastern part of the country now. Waynesburg is putting on a splendid fair this week, and the good roads tented fair at Fairmont and that place are being extensively traveled by visitors from this community.

The Lincoln Club dinner, to be held tomorrow night in the Masonic temple, is stirring up interest all over the county. Delegations from all the smaller towns are to be present, and every district is going to be well represented judging from the reservations that are coming in.

"All very true," admitted the Maid. "But why are you going to do about it? Your men kept the whole neighborhood awake all of last night. They should be hanged and quartered. The least you can do is take the matter up with the President of the United States. Are you going to let people say you are to blame for this? Or will you take some actions?"

More than 3,000 widows and nearly 10,000 children will share in the \$1,400 to be disbursed this year under the Ontario mothers pension system.

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The Truth About West Virginia

By WILLIAM A. MACCORKLE Former Governor of West Virginia.

I wish to briefly discuss the economic situation in West Virginia. West Virginia has been cruelly treated by the public in its unwittingly falling into the great error of believing the lurid newspaper reports which have been sent broadcast, as to its condition.

As an illustration, it has long been held up as the reddest state. Let me say a word about this so you will understand. Thirty years ago in a small, wild, isolated section of West Virginia, a feud, a neighborhood row, occurred between two families separated from each other by the Tug River.

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RUFF STUFF

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My attention was called whilst in the Eastern Wellsburg tragedy, where four or five men were killed in a conflict at Wellsburg, W. Va., at the edge of the Pennsylvania line, but the vast majority of the men who committed the crime came from the State in the neighboring State.

Another unfortunate situation has arisen in the mutual recrimination of the operators and the miners. One accuses the other of all the crimes, and the other retorting for the purpose of getting public opinion behind him, spoke as to the wicked things the miners were doing.

The state has had another trouble in this economic strike. Many of those in competitive states have in many regions of getting public opinion behind them, spoke as to the wicked things the miners were doing.

The normal population of West Virginia is largely Scotch-Irish, the most law-abiding of all the races that have come into the United States, and it is utterly wrong, cruel and unjust that all over this country, the name of this State, which under the most tedious trials, has witnessed a revolution unparalleled in domestic and economic life, which from a wild, isolated and mountain country has been brought quickly into the midst of a thriving, heterogeneous population of nearly one hundred thousand miners, one-half of them foreign, and which has emerged from a farming and cattle-raising section, controlled by the native population of one of the greatest of coal producing centers in the world, should be unjustly held up to public reproach.

I believe that no state could have done better. It is wrong, wickedly wrong, to judge a state by few isolated occurrences. And if anyone, fair and earnest, will take Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, or Missouri, what has happened in West Virginia in comparison to what has happened in those states will fade into small significance.

Then, some foolish people, badly advised, started a so-called march, and had a so-called battle, where every newspaper, with its nose for news, had a correspondent, and the world was filled with West Virginia's shame in having an armed march and a pitched battle in the coal field. Yet, the same thing, only worse, has happened fifty times in the great middle region of Pennsylvania. It has happened in Ohio. It has happened in Indiana and Indiana, and little has been said about it. Now, in this so-called battle, three people were killed and the city of New York which has furnished the great amount of publicity through its newspapers, in and about this section, has more people murdered in one-half a week than were killed in the whole of the economic cataclysm which has been occurring in West Virginia. This march was a silly, foolish, unreasoned thing, brought about by a lot of hotheaded, ignorant men, and they are being tried by the state of West Virginia for what they did.

Many of these sections are isolated. Where today in a sense, and at night is only heard the howl of the owl, tomorrow there is the sound of varied industry, and the glare of the coke ovens, and thousands of people are filling the erstwhile quiet valleys. The result is that in many instances the state is naturally unrest and trouble. Normally this condition has come to a head and been adjusted and peace and quiet reigns. The abnormal condition of today arises from these peculiar conditions. It is a virgin territory. It is recognized as one of the great, cheap coal districts in the world; it was filled quickly with great operations which crowded into this section and which have been successful in the mining of coal. It was recognized by the United Mine Workers as a place where the fight for recognition of the Union must be made, and its dignity in every sense of the word, and at thousands and thousands of dollars of expense, is today trying those men for what they did.

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MOOSE BAND TO PLAY

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C. K. Boyer, manager of the Fairmont Moose Band, and William D. Hall, president of the traction company, have just signed a contract for a band of twenty-five pieces to furnish music for the picnic and outing to be held Tuesday and Thursday of next week.

Personal Note: Larry Boggs and Kip Fleming saw the Pirates lose another game last week.

George Brobst told Mayor Conway he didn't give a continental when he was in the army. I would not seek a salary job of any sort until I was twenty-five. Instead I would become a salesman or a canvasser on a commission basis. I can conceive of no better way to develop business backbone and stamina in a young man than to give him something to sell on commission.

Both salaried and straight commission opportunities are daily advertised in the help wanted columns of The West Virginian.

Read the ads today. Your opportunity may be there.

THE DOPE SHEET Sometimes a guy can disregard each rule of health, yet live to be a hale old arty, tough and hard. Who plays par golf at 93? And you might also do the same. And still grow very old and gray. But, as the wise guys view the game, The betting is the other way.

Sometimes the lazier cops the wad And drinks the nectar of success, While he who works must dully plod A path of toil and weariness; And you, perhaps, might grab a roll Without a stroke of work, but say! You will observe that—on the whole— The betting is the other way.

There are exceptions to all rules, But when you're planning out your fate, Don't be impressed by lucky fools, Or think them wise to emulate. Some rounders laugh at Father Time, Some flatters prosper and are gay, But—here's the moral to this rhyme— The betting is the other way. (Copyright, 1922, NEA Service)

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SELL ON COMMISSION

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