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Specials for Tuesday

- Meat Dept. Nice Pork Chops, lb. 16c. Pork Roast, lb. 15c. Pickled Pork, lb. 12c. Dixie Bacon in 1/2 to 2 lb. pieces, wrapped, per lb. 15c. Smoked Ham, average 3 lb. to 10 lbs., per lb. 18c. Fruit & Vegetable Dept. Fancy Cal. Navel Oranges, reg. 50c value, doz. 40c. Tangerines, sweet and juicy, doz. 12c. 2 large Sweet Peppers for 5c or 5 for 10c. Fresh Leaf Lettuce, the best on the market, per lb. 18c. Fancy Holland Seed Head Cabbages, 25 lbs. 25c. Celery, fine quality and extra large, per bunch 10c. Grape Fruit, 96 size, 3 for 10c. Florida Sweet Oranges, doz. 25c. Fancy Jersey Sweet Potatoes, 3 lbs. for 10c. Cooking Onions, 6 lbs. 20c. Bakery Dept. The Famous Sun-Maid Raisin Bread, loaf 5c. Whole Wheat Bread Fresh and wholesome, loaf 4c.

R. W. PITKIN

RECOMMEND

Candidates For Delegate To State Convention

And Endorse Columbus Ewalt For National Delegate

A meeting of the Democratic county central committee was held at the K. of P. armory Saturday afternoon, at which action was taken to assure the representation of Knox county in the Democratic state convention.

Under the law, delegates and alternates to the state convention are to be chosen at the primaries on April 25, and nominating petitions of candidates for delegate and alternate must be filed by Feb. 25.

At the meeting Saturday it was developed that no petitions for delegate or alternate had been secured from the board of elections by any prospective candidates, and after some discussion of the situation and the likelihood of candidates not coming forward of their own initiative, it was determined to recommend candidates for delegate and alternate and take out petitions in their behalf. It was made plain, however, that such action was only for the purpose of having the county represented in the state convention, and that any persons other than those recommended by the committee are free to become candidates by filing petitions with the board of elections for that purpose.

Those recommended by the county central committee at the meeting Saturday are as follows:

- Delegates: Harry Fox—Wayne township. J. O. McArthur—Howard township. W. P. Bebout—Harrison township. J. M. Huddleston—Hillier township. Frank Hardesty—Monroe township. P. A. Berry—Mt. Vernon. G. C. Carpenter—Mt. Vernon.

- Alternates: R. J. Grossman—Pike township. J. F. Blubaugh—Union township. Wm. Lewis—Pleasant township. W. L. Bottenfield—Milford township. John Cunningham—Monroe township. William Banning—Mt. Vernon. Barney Kern—Mt. Vernon.

Columbus Ewalt Indorsed

The committee unanimously adopted a motion indorsing the candidacy of Columbus Ewalt of Mt. Vernon as a delegate from this congressional district to the Democratic national convention.

LITERARY SOCIETY PROGRAM

The Shakespearean Literary society will meet in regular session at Weaver's schoolhouse, Liberty township, on Saturday evening, Feb. 26. The question for debate is Resolved, "That woman should have the right of suffrage." The affirmative speakers will be Mabel Ewalt Brown, Mrs. Owings and Miss Mahan. The negative speakers will be Iva Sherman, Miss Wilson, Mrs. Florence Masteller. There will also be a mock trial, "The Famous Watermelon Case," and a play, "The Fortune Hunter," which, with songs, music, recitations and readings, will provide an evening of entertainment and profit.

Academic Dress.

Academic dress is a sort of scholar's badge consisting of gowns, hoods and caps, copied or adapted from styles long prevalent in England, the combination of articles being so arranged as to indicate the degree or academic status of the wearer. The code was formulated by an intercollegiate college commission chartered by the University of New York and has been adopted in many American colleges. There are three distinct types of gowns and hoods—the bachelor's, the master's and the doctor's. The bachelor's gown is most commonly worn and has long pointed sleeves; the master's gown has long closed sleeves with a slit through which the forearm protrudes; the doctor's gown has velvet bars on round open sleeves and velvet facings down the front. Caps worn with such gowns are the regulation mortar boards with black silk tassels.—Philadelphia Press.

Not Afraid of Cold Steel.

In her younger days Eugene, when empress of the French nation, was noted for her great courage, as the following incident proves.

At a brilliant dinner party a somewhat tactless general told her majesty that women should not meddle in politics.

"You know, madame," he said, "that politics lead to war, and if the worse came to the worst you would not hold the nerve to face cold steel."

"Wouldn't it?" cried the empress. "I'll show you!" And, snatching a large knife from the table, she inflicted a deep stab on her arm.

After that the general never broached the subject of woman's lack of nerves again.

SUBMARINE ISSUE TO GET AN AIRING

Stone to Reply to Speeches of Sterling and Lodge.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Discussion from an administrative viewpoint of the submarine issue with Germany will be undertaken in the senate this week. Democrats led by Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, have determined to meet what they term an effort on the part of the republican senators to make a partisan issue of the situation that has arisen since the German admiralty's determination to sink all enemy merchant ships whether armed for offense or defense.

Senators Sterling and Lodge Republicans, discussed the subject last week, urging that for the United States to yield the right of Germany to sink defensively armed merchant ships would be an unusual act and a step towards war. In announcing his purpose to address the senate, Senator Stone said he would answer some of the arguments made by the Republicans.

Preparing for his address, the Missouri senator has conferred with President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, and his views on the subject are being awaited with interest by members of both houses, who do not conceal the belief that the action is facing the greatest diplomatic crisis since the beginning of the European war.

Mexican affairs also are to be aired again in the senate. Republican senators planning to attack the president's report on Senator Fall's resolution asking for information concerning the Carranza government.

Laymen to Meet.

Marion, O., Feb. 21.—The first annual convention of laymen of the Ohio branch, Evangelical association, which will be attended by several hundred delegates from all parts of Ohio, will convene at Calvary Evangelical church here Feb. 23, for a two day session.

AWAITING BERLIN'S REPLY

No Break in Relations Between Von Bernstorff and Lansing.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Following the publication of reports that Count Von Bernstorff had got into the bad graces of the American government, it was officially denied that Secretary Lansing contemplated calling the ambassador to the state department for an explanation. It was insisted there had been no change in the relations, official or personal, between Secretary Lansing and the ambassador.

Germany's reply to the new demand of the United States is not expected for several days. As the German declaration of intention to sink all armed merchantmen goes into effect March 1, it is thought probable that a reply will be received before that date. The American government is also looking for some word from Austria before that time.

Meantime the United States is also awaiting formal response from the entente powers to the disarmament proposals of Secretary Lansing, although the diplomatic representatives of these powers have indicated that their governments will reject the suggestion.

Art Building at O. S. U.

Columbus, Feb. 21.—In anticipation of an appropriation from the next general assembly, plans are being drafted for a \$200,000 art building at Ohio state university. It is to be located on the north side of the Fifteenth avenue entrance.

The very best way to get ability is to do thoroughly whatever you do. Master every detail of work that falls to your lot.—Selected.

LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

EAST BUFFALO, Feb. 21. Cattle—Primo steers, \$5 00@8 75; ship-ping, \$7 25@8 50; butchers, \$6 50@8 25; heifers, \$5 25@7 25; cows, \$3 50@7; bulls, \$4 75@7; fresh cows and springers, \$50 @95; calves, \$10 12 50. Hogs—Heavies and mixed, \$5 50@8 70; Yorkers, \$5 25@8 65; pigs, \$7 75@9; roughs, \$5 75@8; stags, \$5 95 75. Sheep and Lambs—Yearlings, \$6 50@10 25; wethers, \$5 75@9 25; ewes, \$4 25 50; mixed sheep, \$5 50@8 75; lambs, \$8 00@11 50. CHICAGO, Feb. 21. Cattle—Native beef steers, \$6 00@9 25; stockers and feeders, \$5 00@7 25; cows and heifers, \$2 10@8 20; calves, \$8 50@11 25. Hogs—Light, \$7 75@9 20; mixed, \$6 25 25; heavy, \$7 25@9 25; roughs, \$7 95@9 10; pigs, \$6 25@7 40. Sheep and Lambs—Wethers, \$7 75@11 25; mixed, \$5 50@8 25; lambs, \$9 00@11 25. CLEVELAND, Feb. 21. Cattle—Choice fat steers, \$7 50@9 25; butchers steers, \$6 00@7; heifers, \$6 25 25; bulls, \$6 00 75; cows, \$4 00@6; milchers and springers, \$10 00@15; calves, \$11 00@15. Hogs—Yorkers, mixed, heavies, mediums and lights, \$5 50@8 00; pigs, \$7 75; roughs, \$7 75; stags, \$5 75. Sheep and Lambs—Good to choice lambs, \$5 00@11.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 21.

Cattle—Steers, \$4 70@8; heifers, \$4 75@9 75; cows, \$5 25@8 25; calves, \$4 50@11 25. Hogs—Packers and butchers, \$8 20@11 25. Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$2 00@7; lambs, \$6 00@11 25. BOSTON, Feb. 21. West—Ohio and Pennsylvania Bees: Delaware washed, 20c; half blood combing, 25c; three fourths blood combing, 40c; Delaware unwashed, 25c.

TOLEDO, Feb. 21.

Wheat, \$1 32; corn, 77c; oats, 90c; clover seed, 112 30.

Advance Showing of Ladies' Spring Coats



The accompanying cut is an exact representation of one of our new spring coats. The cloth is a worsted black and white shepherd check, trimmed with black satin collar and bands of the same material on the sleeves and around the bottom of the coat. The lining is made of black and white striped messaline silk. It is of sport-coat length and has a full back which hangs loose from the shoulders. Of fine workmanship and beautiful materials. Price \$20.00

This is only one of the many coats which we are now showing. These are made of poplins, Bedford Cords, serges, fancy mixtures, novelties, shepherd checks and corduroys. The great variety of materials, colors and styles together with the wide range of sizes make choosing an easy matter. Prices from \$7.50 to \$20.00

The Best Ready-to-Wear Store

The Johnston-Walker-McCrackin Co.

PARTIAL REPORT

Of Pomona Grange Committee On Children's Home

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the contractors' hands and pay him in full? Eighth. Did you, as a commissioner, consider that the home as it was turned over to you fulfilled the contract and specifications? Ninth. Are the heating and lighting systems according to contract? Tenth. Is the drainage system according to contract? And does it meet with your approval? Eleventh. Was the home in condition to be occupied by the superintendent and children in your judgment? An early answer is desired. Yours truly, D. B. KERR, Chairman Committee.

Accompanying this letter was the following note: Mt. Vernon, O., Feb. 2, 1916. We are after information and hope that you will receive this letter kindly and answer promptly. Yours truly, D. B. KERR.

One answer has been received to this letter. The other commissioners are speechless, and if they remain speechless, we will be compelled to finish our report without hearing from them.

Alaska's Verdant Islands. The island of Attu, at the end of the Aleutian chain, is not far from Asia. From north to south Alaska reaches almost as far as from Canada to Mexico.

This mighty territory is a world in the variety of its lands and waters. It is a country of seas, lakes and rivers and of almost as many islands as the empire of Japan. It has a vast continental mainland, with mountains and valleys, rolling plateaus and great lowland plains. I traveled a thousand miles through rocky islands in going from Seattle to Skagway and later passed through the Aleutian archipelago, which extends from the end of the Alaskan peninsula about as far westward as the distance from the Atlantic ocean to the Mississippi River. The island of Kodiak is as big as Porto Rico, and Prince of Wales island is as large as Connecticut. All of these islands are green from one year's end to the other, and some have a vegetation as dense as that of Hawaii.—Christian Herald.

A Bird's Barbed Wire Fences. There is in Central America a brown wren about the size of a canary which builds a curious nest. It selects a small tree with horizontal branches growing close together. Across two of the branches it lays sticks fastened together with tough fibers until a platform about six feet long by two feet wide has been constructed. On the end of this platform nearest the tree trunk it then builds a huge dome shaped nest a foot or so high with thick sides of interwoven thorns. A covered passageway is then made from the nest to the end of the platform in as crooked a manner as possible. Across the outer end as well as at short intervals along the inside of this tunnel are placed cunning little fences of thorns with just space enough for the owners to pass through. On going out this opening is closed by the owner by placing thorns across the gateway, and thus the safety of the eggs or young is assured.

ATTENTION MILK AND CREAM PRODUCERS

QUALITY WINS

The satisfactory results from our ceaseless efforts for better cream and cream produced upon farms with simple sanitary equipment, are beginning to take on a decidedly substantial form. This work will be pursued upon a larger and, we believe, a more effective scale than ever during the year 1916.

In order to facilitate the manufacture and marketing of our finished product, it has been necessary to make some changes in our factory arrangements. These changes are practically completed and we are prepared for a BANNER YEAR.

We wish to thank the public for their liberal patronage of 1915. It is our expectation that each of our plants will receive more product during 1916 than ever before.

37c per lb. for butter fat, fresh and sweet, from inspected dairies delivered at plant.

THE LICKING CREAMERY CO.

Fredericktown Creamery, Mt. Vernon Creamery, Bellville Creamery, Lexington Creamery.

Miss Margaret Lewis of Zanesville is the guest of Miss Marie Harrington, North Gay street.

Mrs. F. W. Campbell and daughter, Miss Edith, of Utica spent Saturday in the city.

S. D. Everly of Dayton returned home Friday night after a visit with his son, Earl J. Everly.

Mrs. Margaret Vannausdale of West Chestnut street spent Saturday in Newark.

Mrs. M. E. Roberts of North Rogers street went to Coshocton Saturday to spend the week-end.

PUBLIC SALE

The undersigned, as administrator of the estate of Lewis Doup, deceased, will sell at public auction, at the farm of the deceased, situated 1 mile west of Amity and 8 miles east of Fredericktown on the Fredericktown road, on

Monday, Feb. 28, 1916

the following property, to-wit: 2 head of horses—General purpose mare, 10 years old, wt. 1250; family mare, 6 years old, wt. 1150.

6 head of Cattle—3 good milk cows, 2 of them fresh; 2-year-old heifer, will be fresh soon; 2 yearling heifers, veal calf.

Sow and 11 Pigs. Farm Implements, Etc.—3 farm wagons, binder, buggy, 2 sleds, steel and wooden harrow, Superior grain drill, mowing machine, hay rake, breaking and shovel plow, 2 corn plows, single and double harness, fanning mill, hay fork, rope and carrier, and other farm tools, about 6 tons hay, 50 chickens, 6 guineas, and household articles consisting of cook stoves, coal heater, oil stove, organ, Primus No. 2 cream separator, blacksmith tools, platform scales, iron kettles, extension ladders, corn sheller, oil tank, grindstone, wheelbarrow, lawn press, cupboard, about 10 acres wheat in the ground and numerous other articles.

The homestead farm will also be offered.

Sale to commence at 12:00 o'clock, sharp.

Terms made known on day of sale.

BYRON DOLP, Adm'r. estate of Lewis Doup, dec'd.

Russell R. Sellers, Auctioneer.

Herman Davis, clerk.

SHORT LOCALS

Eggs, 22c; butter 26c.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Inks, west of the city, spent Monday in Columbus.

For talks use Hanford's Balsam.

City Manager Ray S. Blinn of Westerville spent Sunday in the city.

Dr. James F. Lee was a professional visitor in Danville on Monday.

Oren Poppletton was a business visitor in Columbus on Monday.

Use Hanford's Balsam when all else fails.

Leroy G. Mayer is spending several days with relatives in Zanesville.

Mrs. C. F. Farmer of East Vine street spent Saturday with friends in Newark.

John R. Reedy of the J. S. Ringwalt Company has returned from a business trip to New York city.

Applications for 1916 automobile tags may be obtained at the Banner office free of charge.

Alfred Mill was a business visitor Monday in Westerville and Columbus.

Mrs. Max Hyman and daughter, Miss Stella, were visitors in Columbus on Monday.

A. T. Baltzell of South Division street went to Akron Monday to visit with relatives.

Dwight McKay went to Orrville Monday on a several days' business trip.

Mrs. Frank L. Fairchild of Maplehurst is spending the day in Columbus.

Miss Vesta Morris of East Front street was a visitor in Columbus on Monday.

William Madden of Clarksburg, O., is the guest of L. A. Bowman of the W. & S. hospital.

Charles C. Wright returned Monday to Cleveland after a week-end visit with friends in the city.

Mrs. Clifford B. Shaw spent Sunday with relatives and friends in Gambier.

Fred E. Wooster went to Marietta Monday, where he will spend several days on business.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dermody of Cleveland are spending several days with relatives in the city.

Supt. P. C. Zemer of the high school left Monday for Detroit, Mich., where he will attend a meeting of the national superintendents' association.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Watson of Wooster were in the city Sunday, en route to Brandon, where they are visiting with relatives.

Miss Martha J. Adams of the Miller & Adams hospital went to Fredericktown Sunday to nurse Mrs. George Tullous.

Ask your dealer for the free booklet, "Useful Hints for Horse Owners," issued by G. C. Hanford Mfg. Co., Syracuse, N. Y., manufacturers of Hanford's Balsam of Myrrh.

The Knox County Poultry and Pet association will meet in Room 1, Banning building, Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. A. T. Haler of Cleveland is the guest of Dr. Isabel Nixon while on a visit with her brother, Lewis Frank, of the Ohio state sanatorium.

Miss Ada Anderson returned Monday to her home in Cleveland after spending the week-end with relatives in the city.

Edward Bixler returned Monday to his work in the gas fields near Cleveland after spending the week-end at his home in this city.

Miss Iva Miller returned Monday to her home in Orrville after a visit with Mrs. Shirley Spence and other relatives in the city.

\$50 REWARD OFFERED

I will pay \$25 for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of party or parties that broke into warehouse on Saturday night, or Sunday night, Feb. 5 or 6, and took clover seed. Also \$25 additional if seed is returned. Information will be considered strictly confidential.

W. J. SMITH, West Vine street. Both 'phones.

How Plants Remain Upright.

If a flowerpot is laid on its side the stalk of the plant growing in it gradually curves upward until it resumes the vertical position. This is called geotropic curvature, and the question is by what means the plant is stimulated to change its direction of growth. One theory asserts that movable starch grains in the plant cells fall to the lower side as the position is changed and by their pressure influence the growth.