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The Brattleboro Daily Reformer appeared this week, and it is presenting the news of the state and of the world in bright and attractive form.

After more than a century of September elections Vermont voters have decided to sink the identity of the state in the November mel-atom. When the people realize that this means a special session of the present legislature to revise the laws to fit the new date, hear the howl go up—Bennington Banner.

President Wilson.

Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated president on Tuesday with a little more enthusiasm and a larger crowd of cheering citizens from the four corners of this big nation than has ever been seen in Washington on similar occasions.

President Wilson's inaugural address was surprisingly brief, a happy innovation, shorn of politics, the work of a student and a man of affairs as well. "We shall restore, not destroy," says the President, and his message to the people breathes that sentiment throughout.

SLIGHT GAIN IN LICENSE VOTE

Twenty-four Cities and Towns in Wet Column—21 Last Year—All Amendments Passed—Election Changed from September to November.

Twenty-four Vermont cities and towns voted on Tuesday to license the sale of liquor, as against twenty-one last year, and the eight amendments to the state constitution were accepted by large majorities in each case.

Windsor county has two license towns, Bethel and Reading.

The amendments to the state constitution were carried in every county except in Addison.

One amendment abolishes Vermont's "barometer election" in September and places it in November and makes the biennial session of the legislature start on the first Wednesday after the first Monday in January, instead of on the first Wednesday in October.

Another amendment approved on Tuesday makes it possible for the legislature to pass a workmen's compensation act.

The Legislature hereafter will not have power to commute death sentences imposed by the courts.

The cities of Burlington, Rutland and St. Albans voted to remain in the license column. Montpelier and Barre continue the no-license policy by narrow margins.

In Burlington James E. Burke, the "blacksmith mayor," was re-elected after a three-cornered contest, defeating A. S. Drew, republican, and E. J. Thomas, progressive citizen.

Plans for the proposed bridge across the Connecticut river between Norwich and Hanover are taking definite form. Students of the Thayer school of civil engineering at Hanover have been collecting data as to the structure of the river bed and banks where the piers are to rest.

A NEW PRESIDENT

Wilson Takes the Oath Before a Vast Crowd in Front of the Capitol—A Magnificent Parade.

Woodrow Wilson was inaugurated on Tuesday, president of the United States, and Thomas R. Marshall vice president and Democracy is now the vehicle of the country's destiny.

The largest crowd ever seen at an inauguration watched the change of government from Republican to Democratic hands. It is estimated that there were more than 300,000 people in town, and that more than 100,000 of them were massed in front of the capitol when the president delivered his short inaugural address.

James B. Maher, deputy clerk of the supreme court, held a Bible which President Wilson kissed at the 119th Psalm, verses 43 to 48. The president then delivered his inaugural address.

Those who heard him deliver it were rapt and attentive, applauded oftener than in the case with most inaugurations, and applauded most frequently at his references to the necessity of obtaining social justice. The greatest applause came for the paragraph in which he said:

"This is not a day of triumph; it is a day of dedication. Here muster not the forces of party, but the forces of humanity. Men's hearts wait upon us; men's lives hang in the balance; men's hopes call upon us to say what we will do."

Congratulations followed and ex-President Taft said: "I wish you a successful administration and the carrying out of your aims. We will be behind you."

Mr. Bryan was the first to grasp the hand of the new president.

Josiah Pogram on Referendum.

Woodstock, March 5, 1913.

Mr. Editor: Believin' in dreams and omens, I felt I must write you as a warning to others. I went to town meetin' convinced of the beauty of this year referendum. I see moderator Eaton and clerk Simmons staggerin' along with what looked like a couple of four-foot cord sticks done up in paper on their shoulders, and I wondered what they was luggin', so I followed 'em into the hall and found they was proposals for amendments to the constitution. I hefted one of the piles and it had some heft, and it struck me that it might need a team to haul the truck when we once get a goin'. And then I read over the list and wondered where in thunder I should put my mark, "Yes" or "No." I didn't know any more about the final action of the blamed things than a hen does when it is trying to get out of a garden where she don't belong.

NORTH POMFRET

Again there is much sickness in town caused by hard colds. Mrs. Ella Faneul has pneumonia. A harvest of ice was taken from Albert Sherburne's pond last week. Bernice Cross was in Windsor Friday to see her mother. Earl Harrington went to C. D. Hazen's Monday, beginning his year's work. Harry Harrington dislocated a wrist one day last week while sliding on the ice. He went last Monday to spend a few days with his sister, Mrs. Floyd Cleveland. Miss Persis Hewitt and Persis and Hewitt Moore are in Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Clifford received a message from Arthur Dow Thursday, saying the little grandson was dangerously ill. Mrs. Clifford immediately went to Jacksonville, but the little baby died Friday. Mr. Clifford went down Saturday, and on Monday he and Ruth brought the body here for burial. Mrs. Clifford will remain for awhile with her daughter, who has not regained her health. This sudden death has cast a gloom over our community and many are the hearts that ache for the lonely parents and other near relatives.

HARTLAND.

Clara Shedd, wife of Charles W. Backus, the basso singer and lumber king, and daughter of the late Lyndon A. and Sophia (Howard) Shedd, passed away at the Homeopathic hospital in Boston, Sunday, Feb. 23, following an operation February 21, aged 42 years.

Mrs. Backus was born in Hartland Sept. 9, 1870; passed her girlhood here and attended the public schools. Having inherited an unusually rare musical talent from both parents, she went to Boston when quite young to study pianoforte, and for sixteen years studied with the best teachers that Boston offered. After the first few years, she gave instruction as well as studied, attended the best concerts and musical lectures; in this way coming in touch with the world's best musical artists. Each summer vacation she spent with her parents, thus spreading abroad her rich musical influence through the pupils who come to her from time to time.

In 1905 she was married to Charles W. Backus. For a time they made their home with her parents, but following the death of Mrs. Elias Billings in 1910, they purchased and moved to their new home, formerly owned and occupied by her grandfather, Harry Shedd.

On Feb. 10, 1913, she went to Boston to have some recent compositions published. She had composed several songs. One, "Perseps," was published in 1912. Having reached this high mark in piano playing by her own merit, she was just entering upon a more difficult and grander career as a composer when "Our Allwise God" called her home. Never of robust health, she had bravely borne as it seemed more than her share of suffering, but wonderful courage and fortitude enabled her to rise above human ailments and press on in her musical studies, and until a very short time previous to her death she was giving instructions to pupils each day.

She is survived by her husband, her mother, a sister, Mrs. H. B. Ketchum, a nephew, and two nieces of Alhambra, Cal.

The funeral was held in the Methodist Episcopal church, Feb. 26, at 2 p. m., Rev. W. F. Hill officiating. The body was placed in the receiving tomb.

NORWICH.

Town officers elected Tuesday: Moderator, J. H. Loveland; clerk and treasurer, George Messenger; selectmen, H. A. Lyman; Justices, Koyal Cook, one year, George Patterson, three years; auditors, George Aiken, R. C. Olds, J. F. Johnson; grand jurors, L. P. Sargent, Clarence Chubb, G. L. Rogers; school director, P. A. Root; cemetery commissioner, J. H. Cloud; road commissioner, D. C. Wheeler, overseer of poor, Thomas A. Cushman; agent, J. H. Loveland. Tax voted \$2. License vote, yes 14, no 55.

MARRIAGES

In Hartland, March 1, by Rev. F. W. Hill, Millard White and Mrs. Ivy Clark.

DEATHS

In Woodstock, March 8, Martha Gove, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Greiner, aged nine days. In Woodstock, February 22, Alfred David, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sanderson, aged seven months.

State Purchasing Agent.

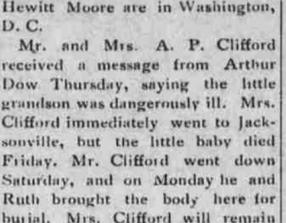
Governor Fletcher has appointed Deputy State auditor Dewey T. Han-loy, of Essex, state purchasing agent.

HANDY IMPLEMENT FOR FARM

Substantial Wagon Jack Easily and Cheaply Constructed at Home—Directions for Making.

A substantial handy wagon jack can easily be made at home, says the Wisconsin Agriculturist. Cut a block one foot square from round 1 1/2 to 2 inch stuff, and set into a block of 2-inch stuff 9 inches high, and 9 inches wide at the base. Make a mortise joint.

Cut out two upright pieces from 1 1/2 inch stuff, each 4 inches wide and 3 feet long, and screw them fast to the block mortised into the base. See that these uprights rest solidly on the base, so that the weight of the wagon will not be borne by the screws. Put in a block 2 inches thick to keep the



Home-Made Jack.

distance at the top of the uprights. Bore three or four three-quarter inch holes at different heights, three inches apart, to take the lever pin.

Make the lever about 4 feet long of strong, durable 2-inch timber, and bore a hole for the pin the lower side, 9 inches from the larger end. The other end is drawn down and shaped to form a handle. Small bolts through the lever each side of the pin will prevent splitting. A chain attached to the bottom of one upright, and hooked into the lever, will hold the weight of the wagon in any position desired.

CORRECT SOIL FOR FLOWERS

Seed of Plants Which Produce Very Delicate Growths May Be Sown on Live Sphagnum Moss.

Moisture and temperature should be carefully considered when sowing seed. Do not use soil which will not allow of perfect drainage and at the same time hold moisture. Pure sand and leaf mold, or a good potting soil mixed with white sand will give a good soil for sowing seed.

Seed of rhododendrons, kalmias and orchids, which produce very delicate growths, may be sown on live sphagnum moss. Heavy, coarse soil will never produce good results, as seeds usually require a much lighter soil than the mature plant.

Never drench your seed beds or pots, as that will weaken even sound and strong seeds. Water thoroughly enough to moisten the soil throughout, as a moist surface with a dry subsoil is an evil. Seeds should never be allowed to become perfectly dry after they have once started to sprout.

Good drainage is an essential point. A layer of broken pots placed in the bottom of the pot or bed in which the seeds are started will be found a great aid to drainage. Do not sow in deep boxes or pots, as the shallow "flats" require much less attention as to drainage.

MAKING BARLEY MAIN CROP

Work Up Fine Seed Bed by Double Disking in Spring and Drill in Seed Early as Possible.

The preparation of the land for barley varies widely with the locality. It is best adapted to the cool, moist conditions of the north, but may be successfully grown anywhere in the grain belt, writes F. H. Demaree in an exchange. Where it is made a main crop it will pay to plow the land preferably in the fall. Work up a fine seed bed by double disking in the spring and drill in the seed as early as possible.

In the northern zone of the corn belt barley can be sown after corn in this case the land can be double disked in the spring, harrowed down and the seed drilled in. Spring barley is also grown to some extent in the corn belt, often displacing oats. In this case the above preparation of soil and seeding will secure the best and most economical results.

The machinery requirements for the barley raisers vary with the locality. In general, however, any man raising small grain should have a good disk plow, a smoothing harrow and a drill.

Horse's Teeth.

Quids of grass, finely chewed and rolled together, found lying about in the horse pasture are the result of trouble with the teeth. No horse should be permitted to go until his teeth have become so uneven. Horse owners should make it a practice to have the teeth of all their horses, of which there is any question, examined and cared for by a capable person.

Cold Weather Layers.

As a rule, hens that lay steadily during the cold weather are indifferent hot weather layers.

Vegetables for Hens.

Vegetables are great for the hens, especially when they can't get green feed in the fields.

Winter Eggs.

Winter eggs do not come by chance. It takes planning and work to get them, but it pays.

Farrowing Sows.

The sow, like the dairy cow, should not be too thin at farrowing time. For some time prior to farrowing she should have some food rich in ash, or receive some bonemeal daily, and have access to wood ashes and lime for the framework of the unborn youngsters.

Good Investment.

It is pretty safe investment to put money into a good dairy calf or heifer at any time, provided of course, you can give her the right kind of care.

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BUYING UP OLD IRON

It Can Be Used to Reinforce Concrete Structures.

Cement Posts, Water Tanks and Pig Troughs Will Be Stronger if Pieces of Old Machinery Are Mixed in When Molded.

Buy up the old iron, sold at the public sales next spring, and use it in reinforcing your concrete structures. Such articles as old blisks, discarded machinery and junk piles usually are sold at the first bid. This material makes good reinforcing for concrete corner posts. Cement posts are becoming popular, and there is a great demand for reinforcing material. Old iron, that would otherwise be an eyesore and a nuisance about the place, can be used to good advantage.

The successful farmer of the future will use much cement. He can make water tanks, pig troughs and similar stationary articles about the farm so they will be everlasting.

A roller can be made of cement for about what the freight would cost on one shipped from the manufacturer. Get a shaft about two inches in diameter and one foot longer than the length of the roller, and build a form of one-inch boards, using old wagon tires for hoops. Be sure that the structure is firmly supported in the middle to prevent bulging; old mowing machine wheels which will fit the shaft may be used for reinforcement, and will aid in centering the shaft accurately. Old iron from the junk pile may be used in the reinforcing. If there are not enough old wheels at hand, after the form is arranged the adding of cement is a simple matter. A proportion of about one part of cement to three parts of sand is recommended. Crushed rock, or hard clinders, may be used to replace two parts of the sand. After the roller is finished the frame and hitch may be built according to the materials, and the ideas, of the user. The hitch should be placed low so the weight will be removed from the tongue. That will prevent sore necks on the horses.

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The Ottaquabee Savings Bank

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DEPOSITS JAN. 1, 1913 \$2,053,885.00
SURPLUS 178,268.74
TOTAL ASSETS \$2,232,153.74

TRUSTEES
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This bank is now paying 4 per cent. interest on deposits.
Deposits made during the first ten days of January and July draw interest from the first of these months. Deposits made during the first five days of other months draw interest from the first of the month.

Interest will be credited to depositors January 1 and July 1, compounding twice a year.

The Vermont Legislature has repealed the law restricting deposits in any one savings bank to \$2000.00. This bank can now pay interest on individual deposits of any amount and all taxes will be paid by the bank. Nothing will be reported to the listers for taxation.

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Sunday Services.

Universalist—Rev. H. L. Canfield, pastor; morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 11.45.

Congregational—Rev. Benjamin Swift, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 11.50. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7.30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7.30.

Methodist Episcopal—Rev. F. T. Clark, pastor. Services Sunday. Preaching, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 11.45 a. m.; Thursday prayer meeting, 7.30 p. m.; Sunday evening meeting, 7.00.

Catholic—Rev. H. F. Maillet, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7.30.

Services will be held the second and fourth Sunday of each month at Village hall, Quechee, at 9 o'clock, and at Barnard, at the town hall, on the second Sunday of each month at 9 o'clock.

St. James Church—Rev. R. LeBlanc Lynch, rector. Morning Prayer and Communion 10.30 a. m.; Holy Communion on first Sunday in the month after Morning Prayer. Sunday School at noon. Evening Prayer and sermon 5 p. m. All are welcome.

Christian—Pastor, Rev. E. R. Phillips. Services Sunday. Preaching at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 12; J. S. C. E. at 3 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 7.30 p. m.; mid-week prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m.

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Guy Putnam of West Wardsboro received 29 No. 6 shot in his face Thursday while rabbit hunting with nine other men.

It is said the contagious diseases which have been afflicting Brattleboro are abating. However, in the last week one case of diphtheria was reported, 12 cases of mumps, nine of whooping cough, one of scarlet fever and one of typhoid.

A falling tree killed William Coleman, a former resident of Whiteingham, in Rowe, Mass. He was 47 years old.

The 367 pupils in the new school building at Swanton marched out in one minute, eight seconds, at their first fire drill last week.

Chicken Coops. It is a good time now to make a few chicken coops that are sure to be needed next spring and so have them ready when wanted. Get a few good packing boxes from the store and carefully take them apart; then build some neat, substantial, but light chicken coops, putting on a piece of corrugated roofing to keep them all safe and dry; and if a coat of paint is put on so much the better, as it will make them quite ornamental scattered about the grounds, and they will last longer, too.

The Compost Heap. A few old fence rails, built together in a square in the garden, will hold all the rubbish that is fit for decomposing. Add to it the weeds from the garden and measure and all ashes from the house. Four the wash water over it and allow it to pack thoroughly. It will be of value for next spring while it concentrates now all the waste refuse and prevents the hens from roadcasting it again.

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