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what they believed was the interest of the political party to which they own allegiance.

Nothing is to be gained by crying over spilled milk. The alleged offenders who went scot free are out of their scrape as far as the present is concerned. Many of them will do it again, of course, and the chances are that they will not fare so well at that time. Mention is made of the work of the grand jury simply to call attention of those folks who during the campaign declined to credit charges that the law was being violated in a wholesale manner to the fact that the grand jury report shows that nothing that was charged during the campaign did full justice to the actual conditions.

FAIRMONT-MADE FLOUR.

THE reopening of the Miller-Clark flour mill which it is announced, will take place about the first of the new year, is another, and an important, step in the improvement of industrial conditions in the Fairmont district.

According to the plans of the Fairmont Grain and Milling company, which has taken over the Miller-Clark property, 25 men will be employed at the beginning, and as the new company will have ample capital, this force may be expected to be increased.

Local consumers of flour should make it a point to use the product of this local industry as extensively as possible. As a matter of fact, now that a movement to make this an industrial community has actually taken form the people of Fairmont should make it an article of their personal faith to use local products to the exclusion of all others whenever this is possible. This is the policy of the people of every city that attains success as a manufacturing center.

RUFF STUFF
BY RED.

Well, about every guy in town must be a Yost law violator from the number of indictments returned.

The list of killed in Mexico each morning and the list of bootleggers are about the same size.

But why does a guy make whiskey on Water street?

Life in Chihuahua is just one Detroit hold-up after another.

Good way to practice up for next football season or for war should it be declared is to roller skate twice—or once.

The city bonds will be sold in nothing less than \$1,000 shares. We hate this because we don't carry such small bills and we might want a few hundred of them.

And keep on wanting perhaps until we are separated—the sheep from the goats.

West Virginia football team is ranked twelfth in the country and there are about 2,000 teams.

Not bad, huh?

But twelfth is not good enough—ought to be first.

Kick in for the Time fund.

You are certain where that goes but you don't know what happens to the money you send to Kiki-poo-gu for the Missionaries.

On the Shinnston basketball team there is a Forward Smell.

Since the food price investigation started the prices have increased again.

H. C. of investigation.

We believe that Dr. Ruley will come out on top in the trial because he is willing to debate and the others refuse.

The men on the border are yelling to get back, the men at home are yelling to get down—and it seems

Woodrow is going to please them all no matter what it costs the people.

That car that advertises itself by running 1,000 miles a week for 20 weeks, will go up like the one-hoss shay.

Do your Christmas postcard mailing early.

Shop Early and have a more complete stock to choose from

SHOP EARLY, the early shopper catches the best values and gets the finest assortments to choose from. Not only that, but she is able to choose leisurely and comfortably the presents she will give, instead of being hurried as are those who wait until the last minute.

Does Your Boy Need a New Suit, Mackinaw or Overcoat?

To Reduce Stocks we offer every Boys' Suit, Overcoat of Mackinaw at 20% off.

These suits are made of strong, serviceable blue serges, chevots and mixtures. All seams are double stitched. The coats are Norfolk or pinch back styles; pants are Knickerbocker style. Just the suits boys like. Sizes 6 to 17 years.

\$3.95 Suits	....	\$3.16	\$7.95 Suits	....	\$6.36
\$5.95 Suits	....	\$4.76	\$4.95 Suits	....	\$3.96
			\$6.95 Suits	....	\$5.56

Mackinaws and Overcoats reduced accordingly.

Dispatches from London say The Times and the other Northcliffe papers are urging Lloyd-George to assume the office of foreign secretary in addition to the premiership. That will not be seconded on this side of the water. The Lloyd-George brusqueness is the very thing that is needed to make the thick hided British politicians behave, but if it were tried on us there would be trouble. It taxed the abilities of the suave Viscount Grey to the limit to keep the relations between the two great English speaking powers lovely. The new premier probably could not do it at all.

Britain having set the fashion, it is now probable that there will be governmental and military disturbances in Petrograd and Paris. It promises to be a fine winter for the Central powers. What the Teutonic armies, the last word in military organization, could not do the politicians at home will do for them. It was Shakespeare who likened a politician to "one who would circumvent God."

Fifteen hundred Fairmont people will draw Christmas saving fund checks one week from today. That ought to put the spirit of Christmas in the air even if this baseball weather should persist.

Notices of the annual meetings of the big corporations are beginning to appear in the advertising columns of the newspapers and through them the real name of Main street gets a little publicity. What a pity it is that a fine old distinctive American name like Adams should be crowded to the side by a commonplace provincialism like Main.

Pennsylvania bakers at the annual meeting of their state association agreed to raise the price of bread. This action is taken in the face of a falling wheat market, but it is characteristic of the whole tendency of retailing in this country. Dealers are prompt to take advantage of excuses to boost prices, but somehow they never hear of the things which indicate that prices ought to come down.

SHORT AND SNAPPY.

A Hindu play written 1500 years ago has just been successfully produced in London, according to a cablegram. We thought that the movies had cabbaged all those Hindu plays several years ago.—Parkersburg Sentinel.

If this weather continues parents may make a mistake and purchase fire crackers for their youngsters for Christmas.—Uniontown Evening Genius.

The Suffragists had the last word in the election and the first question in Congress.—Connellsville Courier.

The way to get a promotion in Great Britain is to get angry and resign. It won't work on this side, as Mr. Bryan can testify.—Parkersburg State Journal.

Was Well Trained.

Many a man who permits himself to be led forth to musical entertainments he does not care for will appreciate the following: "What made you start clapping your hands when that woman stepped on your foot in the tramcar?" "I was dozing," answered Mr. Cumrox. "I thought mother and the girls were having a musicale at home, and one of them was signaling that it was time to applaud."

Frank Explanation.

It was at a private entertainment, and a lady had just risen from the piano. "Would you like to be able to sing and play as I do, dear?" she queried of a little five-year-old miss. "No, ma'am," was the unexpected reply. "And why not?" asked the lady. "Cause," explained the small observer, "I wouldn't like to have people say such horrid things about me."

Habit of Health.

To acquire the habit of health it is necessary to cultivate the habit of expecting it. Cultivate, too, the habit of cheerfulness in your daily occupation, of optimism in your daily reflections, of urbanity toward others, and consideration for their failures, as well as extenuation for their failures. I believe we should be healthy in body, glad in heart, and aspiring in spirit.—Unity.

Mining Marble.

In the mining of huge blocks of marble at the Carrara quarries, explosives are still used largely. The electric saws are used only occasionally.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY DINNER.

One of the most enjoyable Birthday dinners of this season was given by Mrs. Coza Jackson, Miss Nettie Martin and Mrs. Harrison Martin, Dec. 5 in honor of Mrs. Sarah Martin of near Monongah who was 72 years of age. The dining room was beautifully decorated in Xmas colorings and at 12:30 o'clock refreshments were served. Mrs. Martin received a number of beautiful presents. There being thirty-one of her friends and relatives presented.

DEAR EDITOR:

Oak Park, Ill.
Dear Editor:
I understand a massage cream manufacturer claims credit for the unblemished and healthy condition of President Wilson's countenance.
W. R. Reader

Let Us Hope So.

No one is equally wise or guarded in all points and it is seldom that anyone is quite a fool.—William Hazlitt.

STATE COMMITTEES FILE STATEMENTS

Virgil Highland Was Most Generous Contributor to Democratic Fund.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 8.—The West Virginia Republican Executive committee, by Dave Gilson, treasurer, has filed an after-election statement with the secretary of state showing that the total expenditures through headquarters at Clarksburg in the recent campaign were \$97,285. Wylie W. Beall, treasurer of the Democratic State Executive committee, reported to the secretary of state that the total expenditures of that organization were \$8,220, or about \$70 more than the total contributions received. The Republicans' report showed that there were 372 contributors, the Republican National committee having given \$25,000, and V. L. Highland of Clarksburg, \$22,000. The National Congressional committee contributed \$5,000, and United States Senator Nathan Goff gave \$1,000.

United States Senator W. E. Chilton today filed his post-election statement, showing that he had expended \$3,643 in his campaign.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

WHEN THE Folks Come Home
What a happy time that will be, especially when the time arrives to sit around the table and enjoy the Christmas feast and the many good things that are spiced and flavored with our pure **Spices and Flavoring Extracts**
Be prepared for all your Christmas cooking by getting your cooking helps from us. Just try our extract of vanilla, 25c a 2-oz. bottle.

CRANE'S Drug Store

Editorial Comment on Current Subjects

EAT RICE, GROW FAT, AND SAVE MONEY.

From the Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

This is a free advertisement for rice. Rice is one of the few food products that has not advanced in price. You can get about four pounds of rice for a quarter. A quarter's worth of rice will carry you further than 50 cents' worth of beef. A quarter's worth of rice will carry you as far as 50 cents' worth of flour.

Rice is a wholesome food. Fashion caused a reduction of the greatest food value in rice requiring it to be polished. There ought to be a law forbidding the whitening of flour and polishing of rice. The law should be so that the whole grain should be ground into flour. People would have better teeth and better digestion.

But this article is about cheap food and not about the business of keeping healthy.

Rice is the chief diet of about a third of the population of the world. The rice eating Jap whipped the filling out of the tallow and flour eating Russian. A man can go further on a rice diet than on any other single article of food that is grown.

So, if you do not want to spend all your money for food, buy rice.

If you want to have a variety in your diet, and that cheaply, buy sweet potatoes. And if you want a dessert buy some molasses. Rice, sweet potatoes and molasses are the only food products we know of that are not high. Eat rice. It is healthful; and eat rice, it is cheap.

FIRE DESTROYS MUCH WHISKEY.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 8.—The great transfer sheds of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at Brunswick, Md., east of Martinsburg, were destroyed by fire causing damage amounting to almost \$200,000. Many valuable papers, records and books were destroyed, with the office building. Fourteen box cars, heavily laden with merchandise, including one carload of high priced whiskey and one carload of cotton, were destroyed.

OUTBURSTS OF EVERETT TRUE
(BY CONDO.)

YES, SPADES IS TRUMPS!
TRY TO REMEMBER THAT SO YOU WON'T HAVE TO BE ASKING IN ANOTHER HALF MINUTE! SPADES!!
SPADES!!!

SOMETHING IMPORTANT

The matter of accumulating funds for the time when one's earning capacity begins to wane and finally ceases should be a matter for serious consideration to everyone.

The sure and sane way to provide against that time is by saving a part of your income and depositing it in bank on interest. The Peoples National Bank offers you its facilities and safety for your funds.

4% ON SAVINGS AND TIME CERTIFICATES

THE PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK.
On the Corner Near the Postoffice.
CAPITAL \$200,000.00

How Many Children Will You Make Happy on Christmas?

Happiness is the greatest gift which Christmas brings and it is easy to carry happiness to all the children. Often the simplest toy and the most inexpensive carries a world of joy to the little ones.

Give as little as you will but give something.

Our Toy Store is filled with attractive and desirable playthings, games and books and the gift you seek may cost as little as you desire. There is not a day to be lost if Christmas is to be comfortable for you and happy for your household. Start making your selections tomorrow before the rush begins.

E. C. Jones
THE WOMAN'S STORE
FAIRMONT, W. VA.

Books for Girls 25c
Books for Boys 19c and 25c.

LONG AGO

By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL.

Oh, don't you remember the sweet days of yore, Away back in that motorless age, When a meal was two bits, and you wouldn't pay more, And they used to wear hose on the stage!

Sometimes at a wedding they rode in a hack, The bride and extravagant groom; in a funeral, too, to the graveyard and a hack. Why, a bus stood for prodigal gloom! Before they invented the kitchenette flat. Or the musical comedy show, When even the poor could afford to be fat,— Those were jolly old times, long ago!

POSTMISTRESS ACCUSED.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 8.—On motion of the district attorney, Judge B. F. Keller of the United States Court, in session here, has called Etta Workman, of Boone county, to appear in court Friday, December 15, and receive sentence for misappropriating postal funds while acting as postmistress over one year ago in a small Boone county office. At the

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