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PRICE ONE CENT

ASSUMES DUTIES AS BUSINESS MGR.

**Capt. George H. Evans In
Charge at Chamber of
Commerce**

SUCCEEDS R. S. ROYER

Meeting of Organization Soon to be
Held When Capt. Evans Will be
Introduced.

Capt. George H. Evans today as-
sumed his duties as business manager
of the Chamber of Commerce. Capt.
Evans takes the place of R. Stuart
Royer, who recently resigned to take
effect September 1. Following the
resignation of Mr. Royer the board
of directors of the Chamber of Com-
merce elected Capt. Evans to fill the
vacancy.

Today Capt. Evans was at the office
and despite the fact that it was a
holiday many of his friends called and
offered their congratulations. Mr.
Royer expects to remain in Alexan-
dria until the latter part of Septem-
ber before leaving.

Mr. Royer has accepted a position
with the Walton Construction Com-
pany, railroad contractors, with of-
fices in Roanoke and Bluefield, W.
Va. This concern will reorganize and
engage in highway construction work
in Virginia, North Carolina and
Maryland and Mr. Royer will become
general manager. Later Mr. Royer
will move his family to Fredericks-
burg, Va.

For many years past Capt. Evans
was employed in the treasurer's of-
fice of the Southern Railway Com-
pany and at the outbreak of the war
he was commissioned a captain in the
Q. M. C. and served overseas.

Carroll Pierce, president of the
Chamber of Commerce, will call a
special meeting of the Chamber of
Commerce within the next few days
to introduce Capt. Evans.

PLUMB IN RICHMOND

**Sponsor of Nationalization Plan
Urges More Equitable Taxation**

Explaining his plan for nationaliza-
tion of American railroads before an
audience of 2,000 at the City Auditor-
ium in Richmond yesterday after-
noon, Glenn E. Plumb, general coun-
sel for the four great railroad brother-
hoods declared that taxes lost to the
State, counties and cities through
operation of the roads under his plan
could be replaced by levying upon
other property in a more equitable
manner.

Occasion was also made by Mr.
Plumb for a criticism of President
Wilson's proposals for settlement of
the demands for increased wages by
railway workers.

Declaring that efforts of govern-
ment to restore conditions to normal
will fail so long as "financial auto-
cracy is kept in power through the
inflation of prices and values," he said
that the time has come to "strike out
bravely in the direction of fundamen-
tal economic reconstruction."

If a strike vote is returned by the
railroad men in face of President Wil-
son's "truce" proposal, Mr. Plumb
warned that the issue would almost
inevitably extend beyond the field of
wage adjustments and into the field
of "economic reconstruction."

Replying to the statements of the
Virginia Corporation Commission,
submitted a few days ago to Gov-
ernor Davis, which it is pointed out
that under the Plumb plan the State
would lose one-fourth of its revenues
during the next ten years, Mr. Plumb
said:

"This seems at first to be a very
serious arraignment of the plan, a
charge that would materially affect
the interest of every citizen of Vir-
ginia."

"Let me ask you: where do the rail-
roads and canals get the \$2,234,000
that they pay to the State in taxes?
They collect it from the citizens of
Virginia."

"Fires of Faith," the wonderful
photoplay tonight at the Richmond.

Select Hard Shell Crabs—Jacob
Brill's foot of King Street. 204-Gp.

DROWNED AT WIDEWATER

**Brother of Mrs. Thos. Snelling. This
City, Loses Life on Sunday
School Picnic**

Mrs. Eliza M. Snelling, this city,
has just returned from Onville,
Stafford county, Va., where she at-
tended the funeral of her brother,
W. S. Cox, superintendent of the
Methodist Sunday School who was
drowned several days ago at Wide-
water while attending a picnic on
which he had taken the members of
his Sunday School.

His wife, two children, a daughter
and a son are living.

In addition he is survived by four
sisters and a brother as follows:
John C. Cox, Florida; Mrs. Brawner
Garson, Mrs. Frank P. Embrey,
Mrs. Robert Gill, Garrisonville, Va.,
and Mrs. Thomas Snelling, this city.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

The following number of births and
deaths have been reported for the
month of August.
Births, 22; Deaths, 13.

LABOR ENJOYS ANNUAL HOLIDAY

**General Exodus of Citizens
For Nearby Excursion
Resorts**

BUSINESS SUSPENDED

**With Ideal Weather Conditions Pre-
vail All Enjoy Day's Outing—
Many at Celebration in Alex. Co.**

Thousands of Alexandrians today
are enjoying Labor Day at nearby
resorts. Early morning trains and
boats carried big crowds to such
places. In addition to the crowds
departing by steamers and rail this
morning together with the hundreds
of others who left Saturday and
yesterday the city was partially de-
populated this afternoon.

With few exceptions all places of
business were closed and labor en-
joyed its holiday with ideal weather
conditions prevailing. Many of the
retail stores, however, remained
open until noon.

Many citizens are today attending
the big celebration given in honor of
the returned soldiers by Alexandria
county. Speakers of national prom-
inence are on the program for this
afternoon. Hon. R. Walton Moore
will preside.

The picnic at old Pohick Church
attracted many.

Fifty marines from Quantico are
today being entertained at the War
Camp Community Service Club.

Thousands of persons passed
through the city today enroute to
Mount Vernon. Many from here
also went to Chesapeake Beach, Col-
onial Beach and Marshall Hall and
other resorts.

The ball games here and in Wash-
ington also attracted numerous
fans and many local sportsmen spent
the day in nearby marshes shooting
sora and reed birds.

Hundreds of pleasure seekers also
motored to picnic resorts near Alex-
andria where they spent the day.

MASONIC NOTICE

There will be a call communica-
tion of Andrew Jackson Lodge No.
120, A. F. and A. M., at the Masonic
Temple Monday evening, September
1, at 7:30 o'clock to confer the M.
M. degree. All Master Masons in-
vited. By order of the Worshipful
Master.

208-1c. J. E. Alexander, Secty.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the stock-
holders of the Union Building Co. 1
will be held at the office of the
company, 119 South Fairfax Street,
Alexandria, Va., on Monday, Sep-
tember 15th, 1919, at 11:30 a. m.,
for the election of officers and di-
rectors for the ensuing year and
the transaction of such other busi-
ness as may properly come before
the meeting.

M. M. Parker, President.
Louis Beyer, Jr., Secty.

HEALTH OFFICER ANSWERS QUESTIONS

**Offensive Odors No Power
To Create Or Trans-
mit Disease**

CAUSE OF MALARIA

**Night Air Is as Harmless as Air
In Daytime as Far as Its Power is
Cause Disease.**

Here are the answers to a few of
the questions that Health Officer
Foulks is daily called upon to explain
to interested citizens seeking informa-
tion.

Q—"Can a person contract dis-
ease from the odor arising from some de-
caying substance such as garbage or
animal or vegetable matter?"

Ans.—No they cannot. The offen-
sive odor given off by any rotting
substance while very unpleasant has
no power to create or transmit dis-
ease. The bad smell is caused by gases
formed by the action of certain bac-
teria provided by nature for the pur-
pose of breaking up and disintegrat-
ing dead organic matter into its
simple and original elements so they
may be used over again in other
forms of life. Nothing is wasted by
nature. As soon as a plant or animal
dies nature's sanitary corps starts to
work without delay. If this were not
so the earth would soon be covered
with dead animal and vegetable mat-
ter and nature would shortly run out
of carbon and other natural elements.
then all life would cease to exist.

Q—"What is the green scum that
forms on the water contained in
stagnant pools, and will it cause ma-
laria or other disease?"

Ans.—The "green scum" is com-
posed of microscopic plants that
quickly grow in stagnant water dur-
ing warm weather. The chlorophyll, or
green coloring matter in these minute
water plants, is exactly the same
as we find in a blade of grass or the
leaves of trees. It enables such plants
to absorb energy directly from the
rays of the sun, taking up carbon di-
oxide and breaking it up into its sim-
ple elements of carbon and oxygen.
The carbon is consumed by the plant
and the oxygen is given off as gas.
This process is called photosynthesis.
This "green scum" is doing good work
and has no power to cause disease.
These green plants cannot grow in
water highly polluted with sewage or
human filth.

Stagnant water may breed mosqui-
toes, but it don't cause malarial fever.
Malaria is caused by a small parasite
organism that lives part of its life in
the body of the anopheles mosquito,
and the other part in the blood cor-
puscles of a human being, where it
completes its development. No person
can in any possible way contract ma-
laria unless bitten by a mosquito that
has itself been infected by biting some
other person who has the malarial
parasite in his blood.

Q—"Is night air dangerous to
health; is it miasmatic or capable of
conveying disease?"

Ans.—Night air is as harmless as
air in the daytime, as far as its power
to cause disease is concerned. This is
attested by the known fact that peo-
ple who live out in the open both day
and night, are far more healthy than
those who live in houses. The old
idea was that malaria was due to a
"miasm" or infectious matter rising
in the air from swamps at night.
That is the reason for the more or
less deep seated fear of "night air"
that still prevails.

"Fires of Faith," the wonderful
photoplay tonight at the Richmond.

OPENING OF THE CITY SCHOOL

School permits will be issued at
Lee School building commencing
Monday morning, September 8, 1919.
Permits will be issued to white chil-
dren Monday and Tuesday. Per-
mits for West End School will be
issued Wednesday. Permits for col-
ored children will be issued Thurs-
day and Friday. Every child who
expects to attend the schools will be
required to present tax receipt.

Gilbert J. Cox,
Clerk School Board.

MARRIED THURSDAY

Announcement is made of the mar-
riage of Miss Mary B. Ewald to Mr.
James Ray Andrews of Washington
and Amarilla, Tex. The ceremony
took place on Thursday evening at
6:30 o'clock, at the home of the
bride's mother, Mrs. L. J. Ewald, in
North Washington street, in the pres-
ence of only the immediate family.

Owing to illness in the family, the
wedding was very simple. Miss Anna
Ewald, the bride's sister, was maid
of honor and her only attendant. The
bride's brother, Mr. John A. Ewald,
was best man. The Rev. Father Louis
Smet of St. Mary's Catholic Church,
officiated.

Immediately after the ceremony
Mr. and Mrs. Andrews started on their
wedding trip, the latter wearing a
chic costume of midnight blue, with
a seal coat and small blue hat.

After a brief honeymoon in the mid-
dle west they will make their home
in Amarilla, Tex.

BOYS' DEADLY DISPUTE

**Lad of 11 Years Accused of Killing
6-Year-Old With Stone**

Philadelphia, Sept. 1.—Probably the
youngest person ever incarcerated at
Camden police headquarters to answer
a charge of causing the death of an-
other person is 11-year-old Charles
Emmanuel of No. 1024 North Twenty-
sixth street. The boy was locked up in
the detention rooms yesterday by po-
liceman Schlam to answer for the
death of 6-year-old Harry Brenner
Smith, of No. 1033 North Twenty-
sixth street. Before he died the Smith
boy said he had been struck in the
head with a stone by Emmanuel while
they and other boys were at play on
a commons along the North Carmer
Hill shore. The Emmanuel boy is
charged with assault and battery on
the police book but it was stated that
since the other lad died the complaint
will be charged to that of manslaughter.
The mother of the Smith boy is
claiming.

Alowing he is innocent of the
charge of hurling a stone at his com-
panion, young Emmanuel yesterday
said: "We were out along the river
front flying a kite. With us was Bud-
die Smith, Harry's brother. Harry told
Buddie I hid his kite, and that made
me mad and I hit him on the head. I
did not throw a stone at him. I just
hit him with my fist right across
here"—pointing to his forehead.

Emmanuel, it is said, also stated
that the Smith boy was injured by a
fall from a step. Physicians connect-
ed with the case declined to discuss
it until the investigation is complete.
Coroner Pratt issued a certificate of
death from meningitis, due to an in-
jury.

ENGINEER DIES

**New York Central Limited Crashes
Into Freight Near Paines-
ville, Ohio.**

Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 1.—Leaving
a civil celebration in honor of the
sixtieth birthday of his wife and the
safe return of his son, Harry, once
reported killed in action in France,
Engineer Thomas J. Sankey went
to his death last night, and in so
doing saved the lives of several
hundred passengers on the New
York Central Twentieth Century
Limited.

Engineer Sankey took out the fast
train he has piloted for years as
usual last night, and was speeding
along about a hundred miles east of
Painesville when he saw a freight
train moving slowly eastward on a
parallel track buckle. The freight
cars were flung across the path of
the oncoming express.

Engineer Sankey, in a flash, real-
ized the situation, and, applying the
emergency brakes, appreciably less-
ened the speed of the flying passen-
ger train. There was not time to
make a complete stop, but, sticking
to his post, Engineer Sankey
brought the long train of Pullmans
to a stop into the scattered wreck-
age.

He made the supreme sacrifice in
saving his train. Flying timbers
from the freight wreckage struck him
as he leaned out of his cab the
better to size up the situation. His
first accident in forty-five years' service
for the New York Central was his last one.
The express train continued its way as soon as the
tracks were cleared with a new en-
gine.

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photoplay tonight at the Richmond.

Try a Gazette classified ad

WHITES AND BLACKS ENGAGE IN A RIOT

**Six Negroes and Two Whites
Killed in Knoxville,
Tenn.**

TROOPS GUARD CITY

**Attempts to Lynch Alleged Negro
Murderer Brings on Race Clash—
Both Races Armed.**

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 1.—
Sheriff Bass re-enforced jail guards
here today, anticipating an attack by
armed men from Knoxville, who re-
ported to have left there vowing to
lynch Maurice Mays, negro, accused
of murdering Mrs. Bertie Lindsey.

Mays, when placed in a cell here,
denied any knowledge of the attack
on Mrs. Lindsey.

Knoxville, Tenn., Sept. 1.—With
troops of the Fourth Tennessee Na-
tional Guards patrolling the streets
last night and blacks and whites in-
flamed with race hatred a recurrence
of the rioting of yesterday morning
was expected. Six negroes and two
whites were killed and a score of
negroes wounded when the troops
turned a machine gun into the mob.
The white men were both guards-
men accidentally placed in the line
of fire.

Negroes and whites throughout
the city are armed all stores carry-
ing firearms having been looted.

The trouble started late Saturday
night when a mob of whites attempt-
ed to storm the jail and take Maurice
Mays a negro held for the murder
of Mrs. Bertie Lindsey. A negro, it
was charged, shot Mrs. Lindsey in
her home after having entered her
sleeping room as word of the white
mob reached the negroes they assem-
bled and a battle was fought at Vine
and Central avenues. Two negroes
were killed and ten whites wounded.
The troops turned machine guns on to
the rioters but the fighting continu-
ed until daybreak.

Before the attempt to storm the
jail, the negro accused of killing Mrs.
Lindsey had been taken to Chat-
tanooga. During the morning, crowds of
whites left for that city with the in-
tention of attempting to seize the
prisoner from the Chattanooga jail.

Clashes between whites and blacks
followed immediately after the mob left
the jail. Jim Henson, a well-known
Knoxville negro, was the first vic-
tim, falling riddled with bullets after
he had attempted to charge the mob
single-handed.

Negroes, gathering from the
straggling blacks down town,
charged the whites, who returned to
the colored forces charge for charge.
Troops then took a hand in the fight-
ing.

FIRES AT OFFICER

**Alexandria Colored Man Wanted by
D. C. Police**

Turning a revolver on Sergt. J.
A. Sullivan, of the Eighth precinct,
when the policeman attempted to
end an altercation between Clarence
Matlock, his wife, the negro fired
street, Alexandria, Va., and Cernelia
Matlock, his wife the negro fired
three shots at the officer who, un-
wounded, returned the fire.

Matlock and his wife were creat-
ing a disturbance on T street north
west, between Eleventh and Twelfth
streets, when Sullivan interfered.
After the policeman fired at the ne-
gro, Matlock escaped, although it is
thought that he was wounded.

Matlock's wife was taken to the
home of her sister, 1211 T street
northwest. She had been cut and
bruised by the blows of her husband.
Matlock had shot at his wife but
she was not injured by bullets.

DIED

GRAVES—On July 26, 1919, at
Windsford, Somerset County, Eng-
land, Captain Herbert C. Graves,
beloved husband of Clara Edith
Graves. Funeral services will be
held at Waugh Methodist Episco-
pal Church, Third and A streets,
Northeast, Washington, D. C.,
on Tuesday, September 2, at 2:30
p. m. Interment in the Presby-
terian cemetery, this city, the
same date, at 3:30 p. m. 205-1p.

T. P. A. PROTEST PLUMB SCHEME FOR RAILWAYS

**Richmond Post Terms Proposed Law
as Revolutionary and Harmful
to Business**

Richmond, Va., Sept. 1.—Termin-
ing such legislation as proposed in the
Plumb plan for nationalization of
railroads as "revolutionary," calcu-
lated to do "great harm to the busi-
ness interests," and a stepping stone
to chaotic conditions such as have
been brought about in Russia and
other European countries, members
of the Travelers' Protective Associa-
tion, Post A., of Virginia, Satur-
day night adopted resolutions pro-
testing against the Plumb proposi-
tion.

The resolutions were offered by
the employment committee of the
organization, composed of B. H.
Randolph, S. J. Allen and E. W.
Christian. It was voted to send a
copy of the resolutions to the Vir-
ginia delegation in Congress and to
all other Travelers' Protective As-
sociation posts in this State with the
urgent request that every effort be
made to defeat the proposed railroad
legislation.

PLAYGROUND IS CLOSED FOR SUMMER

**Exercises Held Friday Af-
ternoon Attended by
200 Children**

SUCCESSFUL SEASON

**Interesting Program Given—Exhibi-
tion of Work Which Soon Will be
Put on Sale.**

The Alexandria Playgrounds are
now closed for the season much to
the regret of the young people who
have enjoyed the fun there for the
past six weeks.

Last Friday afternoon a series of
athletic and other events were held,
including races, basketball, foot-
ball and singing games. After-
ward the little ones, numbering 200
were treated to ice cream cones.

A splendid exhibit of the work
accomplished by the little girls was
shown. A number of these articles
will be on sale at a later date it was
announced.

Despite the fact that the area of
the Lee School grounds is limited it
was shown conclusively what can
be done by an expert supervisor.

Through the co-operation of the
city school board, city council and
the War Camp Community Service
this splendid playground was main-
tained during the summer months.

The War Camp Community Ser-
vice employed Miss Louise Frank
the director in charge. The city
council employed Miss Elizabeth
Schneider, assistant, and the school
board furnished the grounds.

The committee in charge is grate-
ful to the various organizations
for their support and co-operation.

AUTO TURNS TURTLE

**Letcher Good Victim of Accident Fif-
teen Miles From Henry
County Seat**

Danville, Va., Sept. 1.—Letcher
Good, aged 30, was killed, and Cole
Lawrence and John Hensley badly
bruised and cut Saturday night when
an automobile in which they were
riding from Martinsville to Rocky
Mount turned turtle fifteen miles
north of the Henry county seat. The
accident happened at 8:30, when the
car at a high speed was negotiating
a difficult curve. The machine left
the road and plunged through a
field, turning over and pinning Good
under the steering wheel, the front
wheels pointing skyward. Good im-
plored the other two half stunned
men to save him, but they could not
budge the car, and they listened to
his cries unable to succor him until
the great weight crushed the life out
of him, and he died before the eyes
of the other men. Hensley, an uncle
of Sheriff Roy Hensley of Henry
County, was badly cut about the
head, while Lawrence was severely
bruised. The car was removed as
soon as help could be found and
Good was found to have been badly
crushed. He leaves a wife and three
children. His home was in Bassett,
Va.

HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Mrs. Annie R. Cook accompanied
by her daughter, Miss Carrie Cook,
left today for Herndon, Va., where
they will spend some time.

More than fifty members of the
Columbia Fire Engine Company Sat-
urday night enjoyed a buffet luncheon
served at the company's house.

The Prince William county (Va.)
Dairymen's Association has decided
to raise the price of milk, beginning
October 1 to the minimum of 45
cents per gallon, the scale rising
according to the butter fat.

The funeral of Mrs. Lena Marie
Zimmerman, was held yesterday af-
ternoon from her late home near
Arlington, Va. She was the wife of
A. E. Zimmerman. Five children
survive her, Max, William, Helen,
Norm and Leo.

The body of Miss Ursula Greene,
who died in Washington Friday, was
brought here Saturday afternoon and
buried in Ivy Hill cemetery. Services
at the grave were conducted by Rev.
Dr. John Lee Allison, pastor of the
second Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Irving Lindsey, who for sev-
eral years past has been employed
as book-keeper for J. and H. Aitche-
son has resigned to accept a position
in the office of Mr. N. S. Greenaway,
clerk of the court. Mr. Lindsey will
begin his duties at his new post to-
morrow.

The season for shooting sora and
reed birds opened today. Many local
sportsmen invaded the marshes near
the city where the birds are reported
to be plentiful. The federal and
state game wardens are co-operat-
ing in seeing that the provisions of
the law are enforced.

The time limit for the payment of
corporation taxes expired Saturday.
During the last few days of the past
week Collector of Taxes P. F. Gor-
man was kept busy with the rush
of persons paying their tax bills. All
who paid prior to today received a
cash discount of five per cent.

The funeral of Capt. Herbert S.
Graves, a former resident of this city,
who died July 26 at Wimford, Somers-
et county, England, will be held at
Vaugh Methodist Episcopal Church,
Third and A street, northeast, Wash-
ington, at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow af-
ternoon. The burial will be made in the
Presbyterian cemetery, this city, at
3:30 o'clock.

Edgar Warfield, Sr., Capt. Foun-
tain Beattie James B. Spicer, Jesse
Vurray and Booker C. Hall left to-
day for Harrisonburg, Va., to attend
the annual state Confederate reun-
ion which will be held Tuesday,
Wednesday and Thursday. They go
as delegates from R. E. Lee Camp
Confederate Veterans.

HERO'S SACRIFICE VAIN

Elkton, Md., Sept. 1.—Robert Wil-
liam Donghay, 26 years old, of No.
6102 Westminster avenue, Philadel-
phia, was drowned yesterday after-
noon in Elk River, at Townpoint,
while trying to save the life of a girl
who was bathing and got beyond her
depth. Donghay, who was in a small
rowboat with William Lenton, Wal-
ter Cochran and William March, all
of Philadelphia, when they heard
the girl scream for help, plunged in
to the water and swam to the boat
with the girl. Donghay then turned
to his companions to save him, but
before they could reach him he sank
out of sight. His body was recovered
and Coroner Magraw held an in-
quest, with a verdict of accidental
drowning.

A pathetic feature of the tragedy
was that Donghay's fiancée, Miss
Mary Bell, of Philadelphia, whom he
was to marry this week, witnessed
his death.

NOTICE

Grand Lawn Festival at Baggett's
Park, head of King Street
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday,
September 1st, 2nd and 3rd, under
the auspices of James W. Jackson
Council No. 55, Jr., O. U. A. M.
Music, dancing, amusements and re-
freshments. Come with us and have
a good time. 206-3p.