TEMPLEVILLE

Templeville, Md., April 5.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McKnett, of Sudlersville, visited Mrs. Aner Getty Sunday.

Mrs. Kate O. Knotts had as her guests Sunday Mrs. A. Peacock and daughter, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Stafford, of Millington; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Starkey, and Mr. Roland Knotts, of Ridgely.

Miss Elizabeth Perkins is visiting friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Emma McKnett spent the Easter holidays with friends in Denton.

Mrs. J. Scotten, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hony.

Mrs. A. Lloyd, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, of Kenton, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davis.

Miss Virgie Sparks is spending the week with friends in Hartly, Del.

Mrs. Wm. Morgan, of Newark, Del., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Starkey.

Our new minister, Rev. G. W. Stallings, preached to a large and appreciative audience Sunday evening.

SUDLERSVILLE

The regular monthly meeting of the Civic League, to be held in Cox Hall Wednesday evening of next week, promises to be of unusual interest and pleasure. A fine literary entertainment is being arranged and a slice of pie and cup of coffee will be served to all who are present. An admission of 20 cents will be charged and the proceeds divided between the League and the Red Cross.

Mrs. James T. Knotts, Mrs. Mattie Jones and Mr. G. A. Hart will entertain the Ladies Aid Wednesday, at the home of the former.

Messrs. Earle Stafford, stationed at Norfolk; Denver Benton, stationed at Philadelphia, and Clark Phillips, stationed at Newport, R. I., all doing their bit for Uncle Sam in the Navy, spent the week-end with their parents.

Mr. Edward Starkey, of M. A. C., spent the holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Scott Starkey.

We are glad to welcome back for another year Rev. James A. Leach, of Calvary M. E. Church.

Mrs. Oscar Goodhand, of New York, was the guest last week of relatives in town.

Mr. John Barnett, familiarly known to our people as "Uncle John," died last week at the home of his son, at Sykesville. Mr. Barnett was an uncle of Mrs. Daniel Minner and was a frequent visitor at their home. He was 82 years old.

The last number of the Lyceum Course—a comedy—"Polly in Politics," presented by the High School, will be held in Cox Hall Saturday evening, April 6th. Let us encourage the home girls and boys by giving them a large turnout. So be sure to be present.

Mr. Aldred Jones, of Wilmington, and Mr. Paul Jones and family, of Centreville, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Walls and daughter, Miss Pauline, Mrs. W. R. Redden, and Messrs. Spencer and Alan S. Walls motored to Wilmington Thursday.

Mr. Nelson Coleman has returned home from the hospital in Baltimore.

Prof. Neal Grubb, of Pottsville, Pa., spent the holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Grubb.

As per the suggestion from the Defense Bureau of the Methodist Church, Rev. J. A. Leach will preach Sunday morning along patriotic lines. The necessity of the people supporting every movement of the Government will be especially emphasized.

STEVENSVILLE

Stevensville, Md., April 5.—Miss Mary Stevens, of Baltimore, spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Legg, in Stevensville.

Miss Mildred Palmer, the Misses Jackson and Miss Marian Price, all of Stevensville, spent Easter in Baltimore.

Miss Ellen Breeding, of McKee School, Baltimore, spent the holidays with relatives on the Island, returning to Baltimore Monday morning.

Miss Marguerite Price, who is teaching in Anne Arundel county, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price, in Stevensville, last Sunday.

Rev. G. S. Thomas returned from Conference to be with us another year. The whole community welcomes him back and hopes this year will be the best of all since he has been with us.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cockey spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stevens, near Church Hill.

Mrs. Sue Carvel, who has been ill for such a long time, was removed to Baltimore Thursday, where she will take treatment in the Maryland University Hospital.

The oyster supper, which was held in Legg's Hall last Saturday night, was quite a success, about sixty dollars being realized. The proceeds are for the Ladies Aid of Stevensville M. E. Church.

Mr. Tilden Baxter, of Stevensville, and Miss Alice Townsend, of Love Point, were married in Baltimore last Thursday. They returned home Saturday night, and will make their home at Love Point.

Miss Margaret Cook, of Baltimore, is visiting her cousin, Miss Bessie Bright, in Stevensville.

CHURCH HILL

Church Hill, Md., April 5.—Sunday was an ideal day and the churches were well filled. Rev. O. B. Reed preached his first sermon at the M. E. Church and was greeted by a large audience.

Rev. J. A. Lambert left on Tuesday to attend Conference which meets in Baltimore this week. He has served his full term, four years, at the M. E. Church, South, and his many friends would be glad to have him return.

Mr. Owens Crow and family, of Chestertown, spent the week-end with Mrs. Woodring and daughter, Olivia.

Mrs. Martha Baxter and daughter, Mrs. Spry, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Sudler Baxter.

Miss Margaret Baxter, of Baltimore, and Miss Virginia Moore, of Camden, N. J., were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Sudler Baxter the first of the week.

Mr. Fred Wallace, of Washington, spent the Easter holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wallace.

Mrs. O. D. Hynson and T. H. Barcus spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Arringdale, near Ruthsburg.

Several of our town people attended the show and parade in Baltimore this week.

Miss Grace Riggin, of Barclay, spent a few days this week at home with her mother.

Miss Lola Price spent Easter with her parents, near Starr.

Miss Edna Scott has been spending some time with friends in Baltimore.

Mr. Thrift and family have moved from the Johns property to Rolph's Wharf.

Mr. Emory Thompson is critically ill at this writing.

Mr. William Story and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Rhodes, near Centreville.

MILLINGTON

Mrs. J. Herbert Bates and little daughter, Margaret, are visiting relatives in Greensboro, N. C.

Mr. R. C. Leaverton and family and Mrs. J. E. DeFord, of Pomona, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Numbers.

Miss Elizabeth Johnson has returned to her place in the C. & P. Telephone office, after several weeks illness of appendicitis.

Mr. C. M. Hurtt and Mr. Charles P. Jones have finished cleaning off the debris from their lots and are now ready for the carpenters to begin work of rebuilding.

Mr. Franklin Maddox and family, of Snow Hill, are spending some time with Miss Fannie Hurtt.

Private Sidney Dixon, of Camp Dix, spent last Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper Dixon, near town.

Miss Mary E. Numbers was the guest of her brother, Mr. Julian Numbers, in Belair, last week.

BRYANTOWN.

Mrs. G. G. Wrightson and daughter, Miss Bertha, are visiting Mrs. Wrightson's sister, Mrs. Kendall, in Rock Hall.

Mrs. Luther Windsor, of Winchester, visited her grandmother, Mrs. Wm. J. Dadds, Monday.

Mrs. Harlan Wilson is receiving congratulations on the arrival of a fine son.

Mrs. Wm. J. Dadds returned home from Mrs. Stevens' Saturday.

Mr. Frank Price visited his mother Saturday night.

Mr. Harry Horney is quite sick at this writing.

SAMUEL LEE MERCHANT.

Samuel Lee Merchant, aged 52, a native of Queen Annes county, and for many years a farmer in this neighborhood, died suddenly at his home, Galena, Friday morning of last week at 5 o'clock, of heart trouble.

Mr. Merchant suffered a broken collar bone on January 18th, and since that time had not been real well, but was not considered ill and the day before his death had motored to Wilmington, and on his return had visited Millington in the evening. When he arose, however, Friday morning, he complained of not feeling well and died before medical aid could reach him.

He was a son of the late Noah C. and Mary Merchant, of Queen Annes county, and spent his boyhood days in this county, later engaging in farming here. He remained in agricultural pursuits in this county until about ten years ago when he moved to Millington, where he resided a short time, and later took up farming near Galena, where he died.

In young manhood he married Miss Sallie Burns, of this county, who survives him with one daughter, Miss Clara Lee Merchant. He also leaves four sisters and five brothers, namely: Mrs. Reba Lane and Mrs. Sallie Rickards, of Templeville; Mrs. Susie Skinner, of near Sudlersville, and Mrs. Mary E. Jewell, of Price, this county; Messrs. Frank and Charles Merchant, of Denver, Colo.; William Merchant, of near Centreville; John Merchant, of near Galena, and former sheriff, Alfred Merchant, of Church Hill.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his late residence, Rev. J. L. Prettwmanofficiating. Interment was in Sudlersville Cemetery.

NEW THRIFT CLUB MEMBERS.

Following are the new members of the Thrift Clubs who have joined since our last issue:

$12 Club—Mrs. S. T. Costin, Miss Natiline Walters, Miss Juliet S. Price, Mrs. Harry Bryan, Mr. H. T. Lynch.

$55 Club—Mrs. G. A. Gale, Miss Anita Butler.

$500 Club—Mr. Harry T. Lynch.

FAIR PRICE LIST

ISSUED BY THE FOOD ADMINISTRATION MARCH 30, 1918

Sugar, best, fine granulated	8½c.
Flour—1-8 bbl. sacks spring, winter or blended patent	$1.53 to $1.58
Winter straights	1.52 to 1.53
If sold by the pound	6½ to 7c.
Corn meal, lb.	6½ to 7c
Rye Flour, lb.	7½ to 8c
Barley Flour, lb.	7½ to 8c
Rice, broken, lb.	8 to 8½c
Medium to fancy head, lb.	10 to 11½c
Rolled Oats, loose, lb.	7c
In packages, best standard brands, lb.	10 to 12c
Hominy, loose, lb.	7 to 7½c
Beans, pea or navy, hand picked, lb.	17 to 18c
Lima Beans, lb.	17 to 18c
Sardines, Oil and Mustard, keyless quarters, can	7 to 8c
Oil and Mustard, keys and cartons, can	9c
Salmon, Chum., can	18c
Pink, can	18 to 20c
Fancy red, can	26 to 28c
Crisco, per lb.	29 to 32c
Baked Beans, seven ounce cans, No. 1	9c
Seventeen to twenty ounce cans	17 to 18c
Corn, Fancy Shoepeg corn, can	20 to 22c
Shoepeg, standard, can	18c
Crushed, Maine style, can	15 to 18c
Tomatoes—No. 1	10c
No. 2	13 to 15c
No. 3	18 to 20c
Canned Milk—Unsweetened evaporated, can (small)	6 to 7c
Unsweetened, evaporated, can (large)	13 to 14c
Sweetened, condensed, best brands, can	18 to 20c
Corn Syrup—Blended Corn Syrup in cans 1½ lb. size	14 to 15c
Blended Corn Syrup, in cans, 2½ lb. size	20c
Potatoes, per pound	2 to 2½c
Cheese, whole milk, per lb.	31 to 33c
Butter—fine, fresh, creamery, lb.	54 to 56c
Process, lb.	44 to 45c
Oleomargarine best grade, not colored, lb.	30 to 34c
Eggs—Strictly fresh, per dozen	40 to 42c
Beef, good quality, rib roast, lb.	26 to 29c
Chuck Roast, lb.	25 to 27c
Sirloin Steaks, lb.	33 to 36c
Round Steaks, lb.	33 to 36c
Pork—Roasts, lb.	32 to 35c
Pork Chops, lb.	34 to 37c
Fresh Shoulder, lb.	28 to 30c
Fresh Ham, lb.	34 to 35c
Smoked Ham, lb.	33 to 36c
Bacon, Rib, unsliced, lb.	33 to 35c
Boneless Bacon, unsliced, lb.	39 to 40c
Sliced, Rib Bacon, lb.	36c
Sliced Boneless Bacon, lb.	42 to 44c
Lard, best kettle rendered, lb.	32c
Lard, compound, lb.	26c

WEEKS' NEWS AND GOSSIP FROM OLD ANNAPOLIS

BY PAUL WINCHESTER

(Special to The Observer)

State House, Annapolis, Md., April 2, 1918. The session of 1918 closed last night in the usual way. It was like all its predecessors since the Civil War, and the pile of useless bills, not acted upon, were left in the files to the regret of no one and to the great benefit of the people of Maryland.

And the session was like most of its predecessors in other ways. It started out to reform things generally, to abolish useless offices, to reduce taxes and to do dozens of other things which it supposed were demanded by the people. As predicted in these letters from time to time during the session, not one office was abolished, the State debt was largely increased, and the taxes remain as they were without any substantial reduction. From the beginning of the session up to the closing hour, the office holders whose offices it was proposed to abolish were on hand, and together they planned an irresistible lobby which easily prevented the passage of any bill which interfered with their tenure or which would reduce their pay and they are safe for two years more—and probably for all time to come, for experience has shown that the most difficult thing to do is to abolish an office or to reduce the salary of the incumbent.

The main feature that stands out and makes this session unique and epoch making in the history of the State, was the complete absence of any sign of bossism. There were literally no bosses of any sort. Certain Republican leaders tried to boss the job at the beginning of the session, so far as the members of their party were concerned, but they soon met with bitter failure. The Governor, who usually is able to exert great influence in shaping legislation, also met with failure and retired to his office, and, in the end, the Legislature domicated His Excellency. The most influential figures in the whole body were the little group of Senators led by Senator Harrison and Senator Crothers and these men in the end dominated the whole General Assembly, and did practically as they wished, with one or two exceptions, gaining every point for which they contended up to the very closing hours of the session. Of these, Senator Harrison was easily the dominant figure, and if anyone stands pre-eminently before the people of Maryland as a future leader, the Senator from Worcester is the man. He has forged to the front to such an extent that he can easily be ranked as the Eastern Shore leader, and if he desires it, is one of the big figures in future Democratic politics in the State. Whether he will attain his unconcealed ambition to be Governor of Maryland the future alone can tell, but the man who stands in his way will know that he has been in a fight.

It became generally understood here during the last few days of the session that Senator Crothers, of Cecil county, would be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the First District. If Mr. Crothers goes into the fight he will have the backing of a large number of Democrats from the different counties on the Shore, many of whom are leaders in their respective localities. The movement to induce Senator Crothers to enter the field has been going on in a quiet way from the beginning of the session, and it has only been evident during the last few days that he was seriously inclined to make the fight. Some of the leading Democrats here, during the past week, believe it will be the part of wisdom for the other candidates to keep out of the fight, and allow Mr. Crothers to have the nomination without a contest so that all the party strength may be reserved for the real fight before the election in November. If this plan should be followed there would be no doubt as to the election of the Democratic candidate, for, with the party united, the Democrats will be able to carry the District with ease. Congressman Price's friends insist, however, that he will be in the fight to the end and that under no consideration can he be induced to withdraw. Mr. Crothers is an excellent campaigner, has a fine record, not only in this session of the Senate, but in the sessions in which he served some years ago, and his backers are among the most influential Democrats in the several counties in the District.

Senator Andrews, of Dorchester, will probably be the nominee of the Republicans for Congress of the Shore. Like Senator Crothers, he has made his mark in the present session, and the fight between these two men, if they should be nominated by their respective parties, will be memorable, for both are born fighters and fine campaigners, and the Eastern Shore will be canvassed as it has not been in an off year Congressional fight for a long time. There is no question as to Mr. Andrews' ability—it is recognized and acknowledged by his political opponents, and no Republican who has been in the Senate in recent years has attained higher rank than the Senator from Dorchester. He is popular not only with the members of his own party, but also with his Democratic colleagues, and it is but fair to say that he was one of the most careful, industrious and painstaking of the members of the upper House. There is so little leegislation of a partisan nature at Annapolis this winter that it was only on the rarest occasions that there was a solid party line-up on either side. On these occasions Mr. Andrews lined up with his party.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Centreville:

William James Sennett, aged 47, Queen Annes county; Reba Corinne Porter, aged 23, Queen Annes county. White.

William E. Graves, aged 35 years, Chestertown; Susie Manylan, aged 23, Kent county. Colored.

Walter Henry Carroll, aged 18, Queenstown; Beulah Heath, aged 17, Queenstown. Colored.

LEVY COURT.

The Board of County Commissioners met Tuesday with Massey and Coppage present. Accounts were examined and warrants passed from No. 8125 to No. 8155, inclusive, to the amount of $5,002.26 and checks were drawn on Charles H. Quimby, Treasurer, to pay same. After disposing of [illegible] before the Board they [illegible] to meet Wednesday, [illegible] Board of Control and [illegible]

Mortgage Sale

OF VALUABLE

MERCANTILE PROPERTY

By virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage from Harry V. Gould and Anna R. Gould, his wife, to Hiram G. Dudley, dated June 28th, 1915, and recorded in liber W. F. W. No. 7, folios 259, etc., a land record book for Queen Anne's County, Maryland, the undersigned, as the attorney named in said mortgage to make sale of the mortgaged premises; default having been made in the covenants therein contained, will offer at public sale to the highest bidder in front of the Church Hill Bank, in the town of Church Hill, Queen Anne's County, Maryland, on

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 1918

at the hour of 3 o'clock P. M.

a part of the real estate described and conveyed in said mortgage, consisting of the following property, to wit:

All That Lot of Land

situate in the town of Church Hill, Queen Anne's County, Maryland, on the west side of the Main Street running through said town from Centreville to Chestertown, between the property of Arnold Cohran and the property of Frank R. McWhorter, improved by a

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Store House and Dwelling

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These two store properties are among the best located properties in Church Hill and the larger property was occupied by the late Harry V. Gould for mercantile purposes previous to his death.

The larger building contains an individual lighting system.

This is a rare opportunity to secure a firstclass mercantile location and one that can be immediately occupied.

TERMS OF SALE.

One-third of the purchase money payable in cash on day of sale and the remainder thereof in two equal instalments payable respectively in six and twelve months from day of sale, or all cash, at the option of purchaser; the credit payments, if any, to bear interest from day of sale and to be secured by notes of purchaser with security to be approved by the attorney making the sale.

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THOMAS J. KEATING,
Attorney Named in Mortgage.
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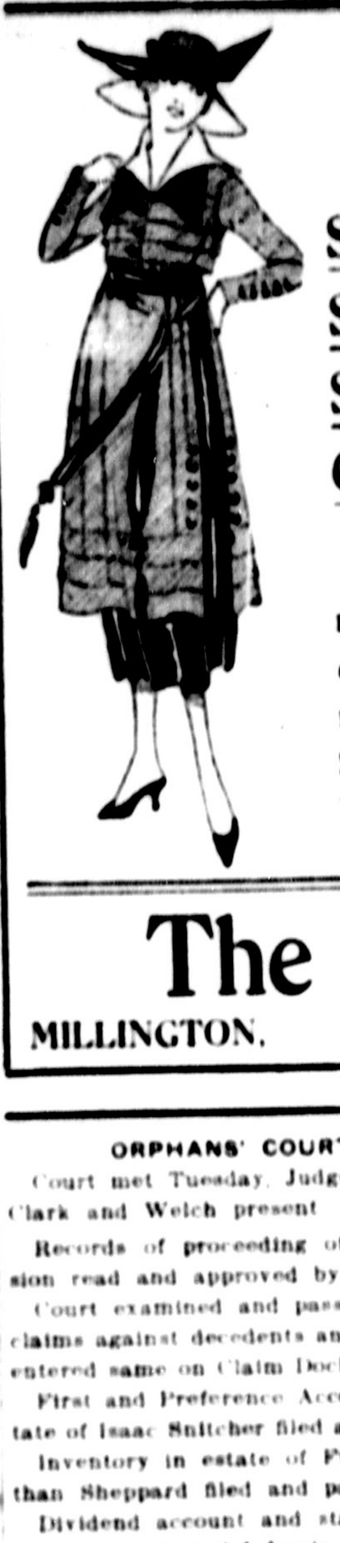

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The Hub Store

MILLINGTON, MARYLAND

ORPHANS' COURT.

Court met Tuesday, Judges Gibson, Clark and Welch present.

Records of proceeding of last session read and approved by Court.

Court examined and passed sundry claims against decedents and Register entered same on Claim Docket.

First and Preference Account in estate of Isaac Snitcher filed and passed.

Inventory in estate of Frances Nathan Sheppard filed and passed.

Dividend account and statement of claims in estate of J. Louis Evans filed in Court.

Court appointed William S. Cross guardian of infant children of Thomas A. Embert, deceased, in place and stead of Charles S. Embert, deceased.

There being no other matters to engage the attention of the Court it adjourned until April 9th.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO COUNTY VISITORS
Tickets on Sale in this County can be presented for admission at the Preston Street entrance to the Fifth Regiment Armory. These tickets are identified for this purpose by being stamped on the back with the signature of Albert G. Towers, the Chairman of the State Committee on Tickets. This entrance being exclusively set aside for the use of county visitors they will find this a comfortable way to enter the Armory. Be sure and visit the County Headquarters in a special room in the Armory.
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