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FALL OPENING!

OUR DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT

IS MORE COMPLETE IN EVERY DETAIL THAN EVER BEFORE

Our usual quality is still maintained, despite the increased cost of all materials. This department includes Crepe de Chene, Crepe Meteors, Taffetas, Striped and Plain Messalines, Silk Poplin, Gabardine, Wool Poplin, French and Oak Serges and various Plaids.

A large assortment of the popular Georgette Crepe, Crepe de Chene, Wash Silk, Organdie and Voile Waists, attractively trimmed and serviceably made, are now on display.

The Ready-Made Skirt

that serves you so well will be found in serges and plaids, button trimmed, but otherwise neatly plain.

A LOOK AT OUR COAT AND SUIT DEPARTMENT

WILL CONVINCE YOU THAT YOU NEED NOT LOOK FURTHER.

An Unusual Assortment of the Much Advertised

SALT'S ESQUINETTE BLACK PLUSH COATS

are handsomely tailored in the latest designs, and range in price from

$22.00 TO $35.00

Other serviceable Coats of Plain Mixed and Plaid materials can be had from

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Our Suit Department contains the same exclusively styled, moderately priced garments that we have always shown.

We Will Be Glad To See You

ALFRED GREEN

Cor. Commerce and Water Sts.

CENTREVILLE MARYLAND

COMMUNITY DANCE A GREAT SUCCESS

NEARLY 4,000 PERSONS HERE

MONSTER "HOP" IN FRONT OF COURT HOUSE PLAZA ATTRACTS DANCERS FROM ALL PARTS OF EASTERN SHORE TO BE REPEATED NEXT TUESDAY

Between three and four thousand persons from all sections of Queen Annes and other Eastern Shore counties enjoyed the dancing on the smooth brightly illuminated thoroughfare or watched the worshipers at the shrine of Terpsichore from the side lines at Centreville's first Community Dance held for the benefit of the Good Will Fire Company and after all the expenses were paid about [illegible] was cleared.

[illegible]

For ten days previous to the dance numerous committees had been working indefatigably for Centreville's first community manifestation.

Tuesday at noon the space in front of the Court House plaza was roped off and the thoroughfare thoroughly cleaned. Later the surface was covered with two hundred pounds of meal. This made the road bed perfectly smooth and dancers were enabled to glide over it with the same degree of pleasure experienced on a polished floor.

[illegible] myriads of electric [illegible] the occasion a carnival air and along the [illegible] crowd was packed eight and ten persons deep.

They Came From Everywhere

[illegible]

The Shore's Record Breaker

[illegible]

PARK WORK FINISHED

COURT HOUSE PLAZA IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF MOTHER NATURE.

The Court House park is now in the hands of Old Mother Nature. The early part of the week all work was completed. The grading has been finished, the plants have been properly arranged, grass seed has been sown and now Mother Nature is expected to complete the beautification of the pretty little park by causing green grass to fill the places now bare.

Mr. Milton B. Slemmer, Chairman of the committee in charge of the court house park beautification, issued the following statement Thursday in which he asks for a continuation of the kind cooperation extended while the work has been in progress. It follows:

To the business men of Centreville who so generously contributed towards buying the plants for the front of the Court House Park we wish to thank you and to advise you that the plants have been ordered and we hope to have them in place at an early date. We sincerely trust they will please [illegible]. It is our earnest [illegible] to make this the prettiest [illegible] Eastern Shore and we [illegible] you all continue the [illegible] manifested that [illegible]

[illegible] general we wish [illegible] he was in which you [illegible] operating with us in [illegible] especially express our [illegible] for the manner in which [illegible] been respecting the plants as [illegible] prepared them. We thought [illegible] might forget them [illegible] through force of habit and [illegible] walk on the grass plats [illegible] person has done so since the concrete walks were finished and this has helped greatly.

To the children we ask that you especially use the walks now since the grass seed has been planted. If each child will do his little part and not throw trash in the park, or walk across the plats they will be assisting greatly.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

School opened Monday, September [illegible] new pupils from a distance are Edna [illegible] Brisbane [illegible]

[illegible]

ROADS ON SHORE BEST IN COUNTRY

ATTRACT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

UNCLE SAM SENDS HIS EXPERTS HERE TO LOOK OVER ROADS AND FIND OUT WHY THEY ARE BETTER THAN ELSEWHERE FINE, SAY MOTORISTS

Maryland's roads and especially those on the Eastern Shore are being accepted by nation-wide experts as models.

The last demonstration of this fact was given Tuesday when Assistant Secretary of Agriculture [illegible] charge of the public roads [illegible] and Austin [illegible] engineer of [illegible] highways [illegible] ed up Chairman Zouck [illegible] Roads [illegible] from Washington [illegible] be conveyed [illegible] ed highways [illegible] Mr. Zouck [illegible] what are said [illegible] roads in the Eastern Shore [illegible] level and [illegible]

[illegible] land [illegible] is furnished [illegible] of inspection [illegible] Jersey Department of Roads [illegible] visit the Eastern Shore [illegible] companied by assistant engineer [illegible] Harrison.

Lauded in their praise of the Eastern Shore roads are members of the Board of Trade of Atlantic City who last week journeyed over those roads.

A Lancaster Pa automobilist after a trip to Ocean City and back made this comment in the Philadelphia Press:

What good roads have done for Maryland he who runs may read. That Maryland has the question of good roads solved is indisputable, and while it is beautiful to indulge in the [illegible]

[illegible]

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

[illegible]

ORPHANS COURT

[illegible]

[illegible] final account of administration [illegible] Benjamin [illegible] examined and passed [illegible] distribution [illegible] On application of Fred M. Seney and Jasper [illegible] Seney [illegible] court's approval of their bond [illegible] letters of administration of all and singular the goods, chattels and personal estate of Salisbury Seney deceased granted unto the aforesaid applicants and a warrant to appraise issued unto Harry Cecil and Oliver Newnam.

Court having no further matters before it adjourned to meet again on Tuesday September 19th 1916.

Sunday School Convention

The Seventh District Sunday School Convention will meet in [illegible] in the afternoon of September 28th at 1.30 o'clock. The churches and Sunday Schools of that district are requested to help make the convention a great success. Superintendents are asked to make out their report blanks at once.

MUCH DISORDER SUNDAY

FREE FOR ALL FIGHT AT PRICE'S CHAPEL ANOTHER DISTURBANCE AT WILLOUGHBY

Price's Chapel near Sudlersville a negro rendezvous was the scene of wild disorder last Sunday according to reports received by officials in Centreville this week. As a result several negroes are in the toils and were to have been given hearings before Justice Robert Coursey last night. It is stated that an automobile bar room was the stellar attraction at the [illegible] meeting held at the Chapel. It is alleged that an auto bar room from Wilmington was present and [illegible] complete assortment of hard [illegible]

[illegible]

Disorder At Willoughby

[illegible] Five men and one woman were arrested. All were evidently Polish or German from their names. They were arraigned before Robert Coursey Tuesday night and all plead guilty. They were each fined $1 and costs.

Centreville failed to escape [illegible] booze-fighting disorderly [illegible]

[illegible]

THOMAS E. EDENFIELD

[illegible]

DAN CUPID ON VACATION

Dan Cupid appears to have forsaken the Court House at Centreville altogether, perhaps he is taking a vacation. At any and all events the fact remains that not a single marriage license has been issued [illegible] during the month of September. This time last year no less than a dozen couples had applied for passage on the good ship Connubial Bliss.

The high cost of living may have had something to do with Dan's prolonged absence from the establishment where licenses to marry are issued.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING

[illegible] other gifts than you have heretofore [illegible] has decided to give Double [illegible] with all purchases from now [illegible] Christmas Day.

[illegible] appropriate Christmas present [illegible] at item which won't be in demand as a gift.

Their Premium Plan lends itself wonderfully to a plentiful and yet economical Yuletide.

DEMOCRATIC YEAR BOOK OUT AGAIN

TELLS OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS

HANDBOOK ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, TELLS OF GOOD WORK DONE BY THE PARTY DURING THE LAST FOUR YEARS

A complete review of the achievements and public service rendered by the Democratic administration at Washington under President Woodrow Wilson is contained in the Democratic National Text Book which has just been issued.

[illegible]

Summary of Results

[illegible]

It is the condensed story of domestic regeneration, material and moral, of peace and clean prosperity, of high honor for his country, won by Woodrow Wilson.

It bulletins victory won again and again for popular progressive measures and policies in the face of the forces of organized selfishness and reaction, now aligned solidly with the Republican Party and behind the candidacy of Charles Evans Hughes.

The Record of Achievement [illegible] the Democratic party the greatest agency of political reform and progress entrusted with National power in generations.

[illegible]

The chapter then takes up the vital question of what Hughes [illegible]

[illegible]

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

[illegible] Consideration $400.

James W. Marvel and wife to James [illegible] dwelling and lot of land adjoining Stevensville. Consideration $1,200.

J. E. A. Johns to Robert Thomas 2 lots of land in Crab Alley Neck. Consideration $[illegible].

William H. Mason to Ralph Mason land in the Fifth District. Consideration love and affection.