QUEEN ANNES COUNTY

Moving Picture Program.

Manager J. E. Cahill, of the Centreville Opera House, announces the following program for tonight (Saturday) Vivian Martin in "Her Father's Son," and Monday night, Valentine Grant in "A Daughter of MacGregor."

Receives 15 Members.

Concluding revival services last Sunday night, Rev. J. Richard Bicking, pastor of Centreville M. E. Church, received into membership at the morning service fifteen new members. Four of these entered on probation and eleven came by letters from other churches.

Federal Road Aid Money.

Secretary Houston, of the department of agriculture, on Thursday announced the apportionment to states of $10,000,000 under the terms of the federal road aid law. The distribution is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918, and Maryland is to receive $88,094 while Delaware gets but $16,368.

Leader In New Role.

Only one license to marry was issued up to Friday by Clerk of Court W. F. Watson and for it Mr. John E. George, whose geniality is so well known throughout the county, played Dan Cupid. He applied for the license on behalf of Mr. Walter Seward, of near Sudlersville, and Mrs. Addie Bryan, of Marydel.

Buys Scotten Property.

Constable John P. Williamson on Tuesday closed a deal with Mr. James A. Scotten, of Wilmington, by which he became the owner of the garage now occupied by Mr. J. E. Cahill, the old brick stables and those adjoining the stable of Magistrate Robert Coursey and two houses on North Liberty street. The purchase price was not made public.

Has Heel Badly Hurt.

While hauling logs Wednesday for his saw mill, Mr. John Stant had his right heel caught under one of the heavy timber wheels, badly crushing it. He suffered much pain from the injury, which affected the tendons and made necessary the use of crutches. The wound was dressed by Dr. J. M. Corkran and it is thought Mr. Stant will recover speedily.

Snow Quickly Disappears.

Most residents of Centreville were surprised Thursday morning when they awoke to find the ground covered with nearly an inch of fleecy snow. It all had fallen during the nocturnal hours. Despite the northeast wind, Old Sol came out before noon and the snow quickly melted away, only traces of it remaining by nightfall. It was the second snow of 1917.

Honor Its Patron Saint.

The annual observance of St. Paul's day was honored Thursday by the parishioners of St. Paul's P. E. Church. At services held in the morning a sermon was preached by Rev. J. Gibson Gantt, who was entertained while here by Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Wright. At noon, a tasty dinner was served in the parish house for all parishioners and visitors who attended the service.

Maryland Society Dinner.

Governor John G. Townsend, Jr., of Delaware, Governor Emerson C. Harrington, of Maryland, Judge Victor B. Woolley and United States Senator-elect Josiah Wolcott will be the speakers at the annual dinner of the Maryland Society of Delaware to be held at Hotel duPont on the evening of February 15. Many Queen Annes county natives are members of this society.

Forsakes Czar Nicholas.

Having been in America since 1894, but rather fancying that he would prefer to renounce his allegiance to Czar Nicholas, the Russian emperor now having a little dispute with his neighbor, Kaiser Wilhelm, of Germany, Mr. Henry Grollman, a merchant of Stevensville, has become a citizen under the Stars and Stripes. He was naturalized last Monday at the January term of the Circuit Court.

Gibson Appeals Case.

Isaac Gibson, convicted before Magistrate Robert Coursey of cutting Oscar Tilghman during a New Year's eve fight near Queenstown, has appealed to the Circuit Court from a sentence of 12 months in the House of Correction. He was released this week on bail. Herman Miller, who received a sentence of six months for participation in the negro fight, was taken to the "Cut" on Wednesday by Sheriff Yeates.

Three Pastors Concerned.

Besides Rev. Dr. C. A. Hill, as is mentioned elsewhere, two other former pastors of Centreville M. E. Church are concerned in the trial of Rev. G. A. Cooke, of Wesley M. E. Church, Wilmington. They are Rev. W. A. Wise, superintendent of Easton district, who is presiding, and Rev. J. W. Easley, who is one of the prosecuting "attorneys." Dr. Hill is a member of the trial committee. The investigation is being made in Asbury M. E. Church, Wilmington, and on Thursday Rev. Cook left the trial room, declaring he would not recognize the validity of the ecclesiastical court.

Holds Wilson; Frees Wife.

Following a hearing Friday night of last week before Magistrate Coursey, Ellsworth Wilson, a negro, was held under bond for the action of the grand jury at the May term of court. With his wife, he was accused of stealing cases of canned tomatoes and peas from the local cannery of Langrall & Son. The woman, however, was released, the justice ruling that the evidence was not sufficient to connect her with the alleged theft.

Appoints Rev. Coursey.

Rev. Ralph T. Coursey, of Centreville, who was named conference evangelist at the last session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference, has been appointed by Rev. W. R. Mowbray, superintendent of the Dover district, as pastor of the M. E. Church at Wyoming, Del. He succeeds Rev. Blanchard McFarland, of Burrisville, this county, who has accepted a call to a church in the state of Wyoming. Rev. Coursey assumed his new pastoral duties last week.

May Undergo Operation.

Mr. William Woodford, son of Postmaster and Mrs. W. J. Woodford, may undergo an operation in the University Hospital, Baltimore. A decision on his case is to be made today. Mr. Woodford was taken to the hospital Wednesday in the belief that that he was suffering with appendicitis, but an examination disproved this and it is likely the X-ray will be used to determine whether or not the young man is suffering from a tumor. He has been troubled with abdominal pains for three years.

Teaches Large Class.

Feeling that the women of Westminster should know more of domestic science and domestic art, Miss Corinne Troy, daughter of Mrs. A. Corinne Troy and teacher of domestic science in the Westminster High School, has organized a class of thirty. When she announced her plans to give outside instruction, the matrons of Westminster became enthusiastic and Miss Troy has been highly complimented on her courses. She began the lessons at the opening of the year and is making fine progress.

Some More Fine Geese.

Determined that Carville shall not win the laurels for fine geese without a protest from Kent Island, the residents of that goose-favored section have come to the front with some facts about a few of the fowl that recently have been sold down that way. Mr. William E. Denny disposed of 17 for an average price of $4.52 each; Mr. B. W. White got $4.75 apiece for 37; Mr. John M. Norman, of near Parson's Point, sold 46 that averaged $4.35 each, and Mr. William D. Tolson took high average with 39 that netted him $4.87 each.

Postpone Road Action.

At their meeting Tuesday, the Queen Annes county commissioners decided to postpone for a week any further action on a road dispute between the Love Point Land & Improvment Co. and the Love Point Park & Beach Co. to consider which a commission was appointed and is ready to report. The road at issue is wanted by the former company to connect its property with the railroad pier and would cut directly across the beach frontage of the latter company. Aside from this, only routine business was acted on by the board.

Greenfield In Prison.

Poultry dealers of Queen Annes county who lost large sums by the failure of Bishop & Co., New York commission merchants, will be glad to hear that Edward Greenfield, the head of the defunct concern, last week was tried and sentenced to 18 months in prison for conspiracy in concealing the firm's assets from the receivers. C. C. Hadley and H. A. Pierce, the other members of the concern, are under arrest and will be tried February 6th. The alleged fleecing of local shippers took place during the holiday season of 1914.

Engagement Is Announced.

Friends in Queen Annes county of Mr. Hugh S. Koehler, former county demonstrator, but now salesman for a large firm in Baltimore, will be pleased to learn that he soon is to be married. Mrs. Elva E. McFadden, of Philadelphia, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Miss Constance Madeleine McFadden, to Mr. Koehler. The bride-to-be is a daughter of the late L. R. McFadden, of No. 53 King's Highway, Haddonfield, N. J., and has visited in this county. Owing to the death of his fiancee's father last November, Mr. Koehler's wedding early in June will be very quiet.

January Subscriptions.

Every subscriber to The Centreville Observer whose subscription expires in January, will receive a letter today explaining that unless renewal order is forwarded and received at this office on or before February 2nd, they will not receive the next issue. Under The Observer's "pay-in-advance-plan" papers are discontinued as soon as they expire. All subscribers who wish to receive their papers regularly and without interruption should renew before next Friday. Notice was received this week by county subscribers of Baltimore and Philadelphia papers that the subscription rates had doubled. The Observer, at this time, is accepting renewals at the old rate $1 per annum, in advance. Renew today.

Hotel Changes Hands.

At noon last Saturday, the Arlington hotel was transferred to Mr. W. C. McDaniel, its former proprietor, by Mr. N. R. Lockerman, who had managed it for about a year. Mr. McDaniel, who returns to Centreville for his third occupancy of the Arlington, has been warmly welcomed by his many friends. Mr. Lockerman and daughter, Miss Irma, left by automobile on Monday for Baltimore, where they will visit for a time.

Rev. Dr. Hill As A Juror.

Rev. Dr. C. A. Hill, now of Crisfield, but formerly pastor of Centreville M. E. Church, is one of the jurors selected to hear the charges brought by Rev. Dr. Robert Watt, district superintendent, against Rev. George A. Cooke, pastor of Wesley M. E. Church, Wilmington, Del. Sensational charges, pro and con, have grown out of local troubles in Rev. Cooke's church and he threatens that the Wilmington Conference will be stirred mightily as a result of his trial, which began Wednesday.

Celebrate New Year's

Subjects of the Celestial Empire in America last Monday celebrated the Chinese New Year of the Confucian calendar. By a presidential decree the computation of time in China has been changed and the calendar now agrees with the Gregorian, but many of the Chinese who do not give firm allegiance to the new republic continue to celebrate the old holiday, with the result that "Go whong he fa toi" was heard all over the land on Monday. Dong Gain, the local laundryman, however, was too busy to shake hands with himself and admits he even forgot the date.

To Boost Eastern Shore.

In furtherance of plans for advertising the Eastern Shore, as they have been worked out by Mr. John W. Staton, of Snow Hill, the Eastern Shore Advertising Club is to be organized in Easton on February 8th. Representatives from the nine counties will gather in that town, Queen Annes being represented by Mr. Edwin H. Brown. An address will be made by Mr. A. H. Alford, state agent in agricultural extension work, and a fund will be raised for the employment of a publicity expert to boom the Shore as Florida and other favored sections have been publicly exploited.

Hold January Term.

Judges P. B. Hopper and W. H. Adkins on Monday called the January term of the Circuit Court and the docket was read by Deputy Clerk B. Hackett Turner. The only other matter before the court was argument on a new trial in the damage suit of Ford vs. Othoson, which was tried at the November term. A verdict of $1,400 for assault and battery were returned, but the court cut this to $500, ruling that if this was not acceptable to the plaintiff, a new trial would be granted. The local attorneys in the case are State Senator J. H. C. Legg for the plaintiff and Messrs. Thomas J. Keating and J. Frank Harper for the defendant.

TO EXPLOIT SHORE

FEBRUARY MEETING IN EASTON WILL PLAN TO BOOST THE INTEREST.

First steps by enterprising Eastern Shoremen looking to self-exploitation will be taken on February 8, when a meeting will be held in Easton. The call for this meeting, which is now being prepared, will be signed by representative residents of each of the nine counties of the Shore. Already Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Virginia are knocking for admission into the organization to be formed. One of the first questions to arise at the preliminary meeting is whether the organization shall be limited to the Eastern Shore of Maryland or whether it shall include the whole peninsula.

John W. Staton, of Snow Hill, is the organizer of the movement by which the modest Eastern Shore shall lift the bushel and the whole world shall see the lights. It is not proposed that a real estate agency shall be formed. The lines on which the promoters of the association are proceeding are broader. They call for the advertising of the Eastern Shore as a "garden spot," etc., etc. The plans as far as discussed may include an organization similar to the Peninsula Fruit Exchange, which has been phenomenally successful in marketing its fruits, vegetables and other products. The improvement idea—that is, beautifying of towns, villages and farm buildings—may also find a place in the plans. The forestry idea, of which B. Howard Haman, a former Eastern Shoreman, is the chief exponent in Maryland, may also be brought to the front. Land improvement, by drainage and irrigation where feasible, may also be introduced. Eastern Shore farmers are awakening to the fact that for thousands of years the rivers have been storing at their doors the muck and mud collected into the low-lying marshes; that this mud is the top soil washed away by rain, and that if put on the land the Eastern Shore would truly bloom and blossom and would be a land of "milk and honey."

These are only a few of the many comprehensive subjects which Eastern Shoremen with visions, not dreams, are considering and which they believe can be transformed into concrete realization by organization, energy, enterprise and co-operation.

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WEIRD GHOST TALE

SPIRIT OF QUEEN ANNES GIRL FORCES BROTHER TO KEEP HIS WORD.

Perry D. Taylor, of Miles River Neck, gave the Easton Ledger recently some remarkable ghost stories. One of them was the following, as related by a Queen Annes man:

"Some of the good people about Sudlersville can, we rather expect, recall some of the strange happenings at a farm house in Caroline county, tenanted by a highly respectable gentleman and farmer who had removed there from this county with his family, among whom was a sister. The latter was taken ill and, feeling the approach of the dread monster, exacted of her brother a promise that, after she died, her remains should be buried on the old farm near Sudlersville. She died and was buried in Caroline county, and hardly had she been deposited in the ground before a series of manifestations began at the home, such as the rolling every night apparently of bodies from the coaming of the roof to the eaves of the house, accompanied in every instance by a heavy fall to the ground, occurring time and time again throughout the night to the driving away of sleep and rest, also rapping and knocking in all the walls at all hours of the day, the unlashing and cracking of a whip, as in the Bordlington case, sepulchral groans and other things too tedious to mention, and which ceased not until the remains of the sister were taken up and deposited in the old family burying ground according to promise.

"Doubtless every district of the county could give in some experience of this kind occurring within the knowledge of one or more living witnesses or handed down on reliable and trustworthy tradition. At the bottom of each and every one of such unnatural and phenomenal cases, if the true secret of the cause thereof could be traced out and discovered, there would in all probability be some disregard or broken promise, some unfilled agreement or the commission or the intended commission of some act that should have been refrained from or some wrong that should be righted."

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Dr. Samuel North, supervisor of High Schools for the state of Maryland, visited our school Tuesday.

Miss M. Esther Brown, a member of the C. H. S. faculty, attended a recital at the Lyric last Friday and heard Paderewski, who is well known as a pianist.

The last meeting of the E. A. P. Literary Society of the first semester will be held Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 31, at three o'clock. The following program will be rendered:

Song—The School
Oration—Anthony Durney
Society Jokes
Reading—Benenia Shawn
Song

Those appearing on the honor roll for the second term are as follows:

Eleventh Grade—Ralph Graham, Katherine Bailey, Loretto Durney, Elizabeth Pratt, Lillian Boyce, Ethel Roe.

Tenth Grade—Alfred Boyce, Anna Covington, George Hill, Gertrude Kenton, Kathryn Emory.

Ninth Grade—Mildred Massey.

Eighth Grade—Mildred Price, Miriam Shawn, Charles Bright, Miriam Brown, Mary Richardson, Katherine Anthony, Katherine Roe.

Last Tuesday the school was dismissed for one period in order to give the teachers and pupils an opportunity to attend the funeral services of Mrs. A. Sydney Gadd, who was a teacher at the Centreville High School only a year ago. The following poem composed by Miss Miriam P. Chambers, a member of the Senior Class, voices the sentiment of the entire school.

In Memoriam.

There's a sad and vacant place
Within our hearts today,
For one on earth we dearly loved,
Has now just passed away.

The vacant place can ne'er be filled,
We'll miss her well-known face
For Mrs. Gadd was loved by all,
And none can take her place.

So we, the pupils of the school,
Hold her in memory dear
Who was our teacher good and true,
And our friend for many a year.

Dear Mrs. Gadd, we'll miss you so,
But we feel that God knows best,
And we hope to meet some day again
In that land of peace and rest.

BUSINESS LOCALS

—The Ladies Aid Society of Salem M. E. Church will hold an oyster supper Thursday evening, February 1st, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel W. Seney. J27t1*

—Mr. W. J. Callahan, of Wye Mills, has for sale a young Holstein cow with a calf two weeks old by her side. J27t1*

—Miss Blanche Clough's dancing classes will meet today (Saturday) as follows—Little folks, 2.30 P. M.; esthetic class, 3.30 P. M.; social class for children, 4.30 P. M. Members of the esthetic class who desire to join the social class will be given special rates. J27t1

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has obtained from the Orphans' Court for Queen Annes county letters testamentary on the personal estate of

SARAH CATHERINE WILLIAMS,

late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned

on or before the 27th day of August, 1917, or they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

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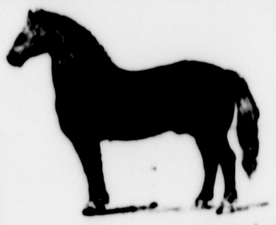

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