

- Copy of Elizabeth Lee's talk at the Madison School Reunion.
- Your grandmother was the first teacher at this school.
- The reunion was held on Oct. 13, 2010

Copy provided obtained from Elizabeth Lee by Alice Dishman Hopkins

Prior to 1849, only the privileged could attend school. Children were sent to schools in England or in larger cities, or they were taught at home by private tutors. The majority of students were male only. Slave children were forbidden to learn reading and writing.

The history of Madison School, in fact all the schools in King George and Virginia, would begin with a locally born man, raised within walking distance of Madison School. That young man was William Extra Billy Smith. In January 1846, Smith became governor of Virginia and served his first term until 1849. He advocated public education for all of Virginia. While Governor, he asked the General Assembly to provide for Virginia counties **who wanted to have free schools - this was not a requirement for the counties**. The system went into effect in October 1847.

On March 8, 1849, the General Assembly passed an act to establish free school districts in King George County. A vote of the people of King George County was taken on April 26, 1849, and was accepted 242 to 20. The first board met on December 8, 1849, and consisted of Ferdinando Fairfax, Daniel Coakley, Harrison G. Howland, Frederick F. Ninde, Edward T. Tayloe, James G. Taliaferro, Stephen P. Bowen, William Colton, and William S. Brown.

1. The students attending would be male and female, between the ages of six and twenty-one.
2. Schools were established in districts where at least fifteen students were registered.
3. A "suitable school house can be obtained without expense to this Board."
4. A salary of \$25 per month was established.
5. Teachers were at liberty to continue their respective school operations without vacations established.
6. School books and curricula would be established by the board.
7. Teachers were selected by the board.
8. In addition to branches of education required by law, King George would have History taught in all the schools.

Ten school districts were established in King George County. From all indications, Tetotem was in the 2nd district. Tuition for each student appears to have been fifty cents a year.

The early school system, established in 1849, provided the entire elementary education process until 1939 when the first four-year high school building, built in

1923 was converted to a central elementary school. Although many smaller schools continued to operate until the 1960s, the trend was to centralize the elementary school.

It is almost certain that the school building obtained for District #2 was called Ninde School and was located closer to the old Ninde Store.

NINDE SCHOOL PHOTO taken about 1908 (Ida Welch born in Nov 1896)

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In a deed dated December 12, 1912, E. D. Brown, trustee; Henry T. Garnett and Belle B Garnett, his wife; Florence G. Britton and Frank Britton, her husband; Algernon Garnett and Josephine Garnett, his wife; H. T. Garnett, Jr., T. Stuart Garnett, William B. Garnett, and Josephine I. Garnett conveyed to Shiloh District School Board for \$10.00 one acre of land, a part of Spy Hill, situated in the Shiloh District of King George County for the purpose of erecting and use of a public school building for the education of white children. If used for any other purpose it would revert back to Henry T. Garnett or his heirs.

It should be noted that the deed to the property was not recorded until April 14, 1914. One of the signees was living in Canada at the time.

HENRY T. GARNETT FAMILY PHOTO

Henry T. Garnett was very civic minded and was chairman of the Shiloh school district as well as being a member of the House of Delegates and the enrolling clerk for the House of Delegates until his death. He also had several young grandchildren living on the farm. He had personally hired live-in tutors to educate his own children before sending them off for higher education.

The conveyance was very timely, because the county was already discussing better schools as well as a high school. A reporter wrote in the Free Lance on Jan 30, 1913, "We are glad indeed to notice the movement on the part of our citizens in behalf of the public schools of King George County. There ought to be at least three or more graded or high schools, one in each school district. This is an educational age in which we are living and if our county is to keep pace with other counties in the state we must have better school facilities and advantages. The writer is ready to give any encouragement possible in this direction and there is little doubt that our public minded citizens will cheerfully consent to add a small

additional tax, if necessary, in order to meet the demands for better school houses and additional school advantages. Most of the schools are so crowded at present that the teachers can give very little attention to the various grades, and it is impossible to properly class the scholars.”

In a Free Lance newspaper article dated March 4, 1913, it was stated, “The Ninde Store public school, taught by Miss Betty Grigsby and Miss Sadie Wilson, will give an entertainment, The Village School of Ye Olden Time, at Colonial Beach in the public school building on March 7.”

By May of 1913, the new school building at Tetotem was completed. An article in the Free Lance on May 6, 1913 states, “A couple of old school buildings, one used for white and the other for colored children near Ninde’s Store will be sold today at King George Courthouse to the highest bidders. New buildings have taken the place of these old ones. A little more destructive work, followed by constructive work on the other buildings in the county would be a good thing. Let the ball continue to roll.”

On May 24, 1913, for the first time, I found the reference to Madison School. “The Madison School, near Ninde’s Store, taught by Miss Sadie Wilson and Miss Grigsby, will close with appropriate exercises tonight. The session has been a very successful one.”

PHOTO OF BETTY BELL GRIGSBY taken about 1912

Betty Bell Grigsby was born in January 1888. By the time she was five years old, both of her parents were dead. By 1910, she began her career as a teacher, most likely at Ninde School. On November 23, 1916, she married James Samuel Dishman in King George County, thus ending her teaching career. Married women were not allowed to be teachers.

Sometime between 1916 and 1919, (the document is not dated beyond 191_, three teachers are listed as recommended for Madison School. They are Miss Garnett, Mary Wright, and Edna Coakley. Miss Garnett is Josephine Iams Garnett, daughter of Henry T. Garnett. Her application for employment in the year 1924 has survived.

APPLICATION for JOSEPHINE I. GARNETT

In 1925 there were 22 schools in King George County, including Madison School, or first called "the school at Tetotem."

Miss Mary Harwood served as Superintendent of Schools in King George County until 1925 when T. Benton Gayle became Superintendent of the newly formed school division for both King George and Stafford counties. She was the only woman to serve in that position in Virginia. T. Benton Gayle stated in an interview in 1975, "Our total budget for all school purposes when I first started to work in the county was about \$35,000 for an entire year."

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THE PRIMARY?

and the press of awaiting patiently... The examination of the appropriation bill was resumed Thursday...

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has been introduced

The Senate devoted most of its two-hour session Wednesday to the consideration of the general appropriation bill. By a unanimous vote three separate readings of the bill were dispensed with and the body proceeded to consider the bill section by section.

Entertainment, Personals, Etc. Missaponax, Va., Feb. 12. Mrs. G. W. Palmer has as her guest, Miss Carrie Swift, of Louisa county.

School Notes, Personals. King George Co., Va., Feb. 12. The entertainment given under the auspices of the Civic League at Lincoln School, near Middleburg, last Thursday evening was an enjoyable affair.

Bowling Green Notes. Bowling Green, Feb. 10. The young of the community will give a dance in the hall at Milford Friday night, to which a large number of invitations have been issued.

I keep all kind and Virginia... The Democrats are respectful at the Court House, at 12 o'clock.

FOR TAX REFORM

Committee of Twenty Recommended to Frame Law.

AS TO APPOINTMENTS OF POSTMASTERS

The executive order issued by President Wilson directing that competitive examinations should be held to secure the most competent postmasters at all the fourth-class offices is now proving to be a thorn in the side of Virginia Congressmen.

NOTES FROM BLANTON

Blanton, Va., Feb. 9. The younger set have enjoyed many gatherings this winter. Last Friday night they were to meet at the home of Mr. G. G. Blanton, but the inclement weather prevented many from going.

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AS TO WAR WITH JAPAN

The Richmond Virginian, quoting from the New York World, demonstrates the utter improbability of war with Japan by showing the following facts:

"The Japanese navy is considerably weaker than that of the United States. 'Japanese' credit is in a terrible state; might almost be said that Japan has no credit. 'Japan is groaning under a war debt that it finds impossible to pay and the interest on which necessitates grinding taxes upon the citizens of that country. 'The full naval balance stands:

	Japan.	United States.
readoughts.....	2	8
torpedo battleships.....	13	24
cruisers.....	27	25
torpedo-boats and destroyers.....	112	61
submarines.....	13	23
naval tonnage.....	471,962	763,132

"Only in the class of torpedo-boats, whose radius of action is short, is the Japanese navy superior. In striking power it is far out-classed. 'Japan's war debt is already crushing. The average laborer of Japan, earning twenty cents or less a day, must work more than one month every year to pay his family's share of the 1,000,000 it costs to 'carry' Japan's debt of \$1,271,745,000. The average American workman, at ten times the age, need work but a little over half to pay his share of the \$22,000,000 it costs on the debt of the United States."

A careful analysis of the above facts and figures shows that Japan is in no position to go to war, especially with a country whose navy greatly exceeds hers in strength and whose credit is practically unlimited. It is doubtful if Japanese credit could last very long in the event of war and once her resources were exhausted the war would end. It did not occur and by the destruction of her navy. Dispatches from Tokio indicate a growing conservatism among the Mikako's subjects which will effectively prevent any rupture between the two countries.

SULZER ON THE STUMP

Gov. Sulzer in his campaign for primary legislation, to suit his idea of what primaries ought to be, is being heard by big crowds and much enthusiasm is being shown, but we believe when the New York Legislature meets in extra session to consider the matter that the Governor will find himself confronted with the necessity of either accepting a compromise bill or getting no legislation on the subject. All legislation nearly is based on compromise and even the Governor of New York will, in probability, find his influence in the matter to be about the same as

Minister's Certificate Plan

MEET NEXT YEAR IN ALEXANDRIA

The Episcopal Council at Charlottesville adopted a resolution in favor of requiring men who wish to marry to present a physician's certificate of "freedom from a communicable disease of immoral origin." The vote was 55 ayes to 29 nays, divided as follows: Clerical, ayes 22, nays 15; lay, ayes 33, nays 14.

The question was presented in a resolution reported by the social service commission appointed by Bishop Gibson at the Council last May. The report, which was considered in executive session, occasioned a lively debate.

The resolution, which was the third of three presented by the commission, was as follows:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this Council that for the sake of protection of women and for sake of a higher appeal to men, it is desirable that ministers of the diocese, as rapidly as they can secure such co-operation from the physicians of their communities as shall satisfy them that their position will be effective, either by themselves or in conjunction with ministers of other churches, shall declare their determination to perform the marriage service of the church only when the man to be married shall secure from the family physician or his intended bride, or from some other physician certified to by the bride's physician, a certificate of freedom from a communicable disease of immoral origin."

A resolution was adopted which urged upon the ministers of the diocese, particularly those in country parishes, that, by word and by leadership, they teach their people that their Christianity should prove itself by alert and earnest readiness to strengthen every co-operative movement which makes for better health, for better condition, for happy and clean recreation, and for progress along any other practical way which leads to the community's larger good.

Dr. Angus Crawford, of the Theological Seminary, near Alexandria, was elected fourth clerical deputy, and Roosevelt Page, of Hanover, the fourth lay deputy to the general convention. Alternates: Clerical, Revs. J. W. Morris, J. J. Gravatt, W. R. Bowie and W. J. Morton; lay, J. Stewart Bryan, Richmond; Henry L. Lyman, Charlottesville; Judge A. W. Wallace, of Fredericksburg, and Judge T. R. B. Wright, of Tappahannock. Rev. R. C. Scott, Richmond, was elected chancellor of the diocese and the Rev. E. L. Goodwin, Ashland, his historiographer and registrar.

Conals, Etc.

King George Co. Va. May 22. Rev. George McL. Brydon left on Monday to attend the P. E. Council which is now in session in Charlottesville.

Mr. E. T. Gannett left Monday for Charlottesville to attend the Protestant Episcopal Council to which he is a delegate.

Mr. George Ogilvie Taylor has purchased a handsome automobile. He went to Fredericksburg on Tuesday and drove home in it.

Miss Louise Ninde, of Fredericksburg, is a guest of her cousins, the Misses Caruthers, in the lower part of King George.

Mrs. Charles H. Rogers and her little grandson, Maurice Peed, expect to leave tomorrow for Washington to visit relatives.

We have always known that Tappahannock, situated so picturesque on the Rappahannock, is a most delightful town, but a King George lady who has just returned from a visit there is so enthusiastic over the beauty of the place, the warm hospitality of its charming people, with many varying pleasures that her family is convinced she has discovered a paradise on earth and it is needless to search farther.

The Madison school near Ninde's Store, taught by Miss Sadie Wilson and Miss Grigsby, will close with appropriate exercises tonight. The session has been a very successful one.

Miss Nanette S. Rogers closed her school near Gomora on the 15th after an interesting session.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Trinity Methodist church, met Tuesday at the home of Mr. Roger Boggs and a most enjoyable occasion proved to be.

Rev. R. R. Phelps and Mr. C. Williams, of Oak Grove, are attending the P. E. Church Council in Charlottesville.

Mrs. Richard Grymes, whose hand was poisoned while playing with her pet dog, has returned from Washington, where she took the Pasteur treatment. An examination of the dog's head, which was sent to Washington, showed that the dog was suffering with rabies, and had not the dog's throat been paralyzed he would have been very dangerous.

Miss Sadie Wilson expects to return to her home in Fredericksburg on Friday. She has won many friends during her sojourn in King George, who most heartily regret her departure.

MARRIAGES

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Frederick Dawson Richardson, of Fairfax county, and Miss Katherine Davis Beall, of Piedmont, W. Va., the ceremony to take place June 4th.

Foreign Office Disappointed at U. S. Reply.

NOT IN FAVOR OF REFERENDUM

Foreign Minister Urges Ambassador at Washington to Press Japanese Interpretation of the Treaty.

Tokio, Japan, May 23.—The reply of the United States government to the Japanese protest in regard to the California alien and ownership legislation, in saying that it does not involve any violation of the treaty between the United States and Japan, has caused great disappointment in official and other circles here.

The Japanese foreign office considers it unsatisfactory, as it does not mention any intention on the part of the government at Washington to take official steps to nullify the act, passed by the California legislature.

The Japanese foreign minister is urging upon Viscount Chinda, Japanese ambassador at Washington, the necessity of pressing the Japanese interpretation of the American-Japanese treaty of 1911.

Secretary of State Bryan's proposal to have the question go to a referendum in California is not received with favor in Tokio, as the result is considered doubtful.

The war talk emanating from Europe and reaching Tokio by cable regarding the controversy is not understood in official and other circles in Tokio. The atmosphere is calm and great reserve is shown.

Some of the newspapers, however, have begun to speak out more freely. The leading daily newspaper, the Osaka Mainichi, finds amusement in what it calls the American fear of Japanese aggression. It says: "All Japan wants for the Japanese is equal treatment with white men. Japan's progress has reached the point where she will no longer consent to discrimination being shown against her subjects."

The general hope is expressed in Tokio that the reply sent from Washington is not America's final word, especially as the United States government by its intervention in California inspired the belief in Tokio that it would adopt strong measures in behalf of the Japanese.

It is believed that the difficulty will eventually be settled by diplomacy, but the question of how Japan is to proceed next is a puzzle to the authorities. Japan is a stranger to the technicalities of the American laws and does not see her way clear to take the initiative in a lawsuit, while national patriotism prevents a formal request that naturalization be granted, which would mean the virtual expatriation of Japanese subjects.

PRESIDENT WILSON CRITICIZED

President Wilson was sharply critic

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Gulvey which was held at his home on Friday, Feb. 13. Mrs. Green had been suffering for a week or so with something like neuralgia, and was supposed to be getting better until Wednesday, when suddenly and without warning she passed away in the presence of her husband and a few ladies of the neighborhood. She was only 27 years of age and leaves a deeply grieved husband and three little children to mourn her loss. The funeral and burial services were held at the home by Rev. A. W. Graves on Friday, one of the coldest days of the winter. On account of the intensely cold weather, but few friends gathered to attend the services, but he is assured that Mr. Green has the profoundest sympathy of all who knew them.

On account of the cold weather and the difficulty in travelling, the pastor could not get to Oakland Baptist church to fill his appointment on Sunday. He started, but his horse could not travel on account of ice in the roads. It is hoped that he will be able to get to Hanover next Sunday, the 22nd. As this is George Washington's birthday, a sermon appropriate to the occasion will be delivered.

Exercises of an interesting nature were held at the Madison schoolhouse near Nind's Store on Wednesday, the 4th instant. Prof. Knap, of the experimental department of the Agricultural Bureau of Washington, had been announced, but his assistant, Mr. Coburn, was present and explained why Prof. K. could not come at this time. Rev. A. Graves was called upon to make an address and gave a talk on "The Three B's" necessary in educational matters, viz, Brevity, Books and Buildings.

Some regret is expressed that the school term in some of the districts in the county is to be shortened this year in order to put a part of the fund into the improvement of the school buildings. We hope this may not be necessary. The school term is all too short at best.

Many of our farmers are busy getting in at this time, which is of very fine quality and thickness.

There is a good deal of sickness in the county and deaths have been frequent this month.

MR. JANNEY'S ADDRESS

Mr. S. M. Janney in an eloquent and impressive manner addressed a large audience at Shiloh Baptist church, new site, Sunday afternoon. The meeting was under the auspices of the Men's Progressive League.

Mr. Janney thoroughly pleased his audience on the subject of environments and urged them to live purer lives. As a result of his address and an earnest appeal by Rev. W. L. Ransome one person accepted Christ and two join-

\$20 to reimburse Delegate Thos. Crown of Westmoreland, whose overcoat was recently missing from the cloakroom.

Senator Gravatt, of Caroline, renewed his motion to discharge the Committee on Privileges and Elections from further consideration of the primary bill introduced by him. The motion was opposed by Senator Holt, chairman of the committee. Senator Rison, a member of the same committee, assured the Senate that an effort will be made to report a primary bill in a few days. The Gravatt motion was defeated.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Judge C. E. Jones has appointed J. W. Stiff commissioner of revenue for Middlesex county to succeed the late B. F. Hart.

E. S. Vaughan, a Confederate veteran, died at his home in Middlesex county Feb. 10, aged 68. He leaves his wife and two children.

Rev. Alexander Galt, of St. Mary's Parish, Anne Arundel Co., Maryland, has accepted a call to the rectory of Ridley Parish, Chester county.

J. O. Morris, who conducts a sawmill business at Balls Roads, Louisa county, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy in U. S. District Court. Liabilities \$4,000, assets \$2,300.

Temple Palmer, son of the late R. J. Palmer, who was treasurer of King William county nearly 20 years, was appointed by Judge Jones as his father's successor for the unexpired term.

At the Sixth National Corn Exposition at Dallas, Texas, H. M. Luttrell, of Delaplane, Fauquier county, Virginia was awarded a prize as grower of the best corn in the Southern zone, the United States having been divided into five sections, for the exhibit.

In the tax investigation by a grand jury of Prince William Co. Court, completed last week, it was found that fifteen persons were not assessed with certain intangible property and they were listed for taxation in the aggregate sum of \$113,000.

A murder case in which Wm. Smith, a storekeeper, is charged with shooting and killing a Mr. Gardner, both white, was before King and Queen court last week. The shooting grew out of a quarrel over a small piece of land. The case was continued until the April term and Smith put under a \$5,000 bond.

Dr. W. N. Chinn had several lambs killed by dogs recently and two dogs were after the writer's last Sunday night, but fortunately one got a load of shot before any damage was done. Keep your gun loaded and your eyes open. I have 24 lambs

M. D. Hart, Pres. Va. Audubon Soc.

WAS MOTHER OF FOUR SOLDIERS

Mrs. McLean, Pioneer of Memorial Day, Dies in Washington.

Mrs. Louisa August Harvey McLean, first observer of Decoration Day, mother of four sons who fought in the civil war, and well known through her loyalty to the Confederacy during the Civil war died at her home in Washington Saturday, aged 93 years.

Mrs. McLean was born near Troy, N. Y. Following her marriage to Archibald McLean, she went to Washington and has been living there for three-quarters of a century. At the outbreak of the civil war three of her sons joined the Confederate army and one entered the Union ranks.

She also had five nephews who fought in the war, and was known to many as "the soldier mother." The war caused the loss of a large fortune. When her sons died she went to the Leuthall Home for Widows, where she lived for 24 years.

Mrs. McLean was given special permission by President Grant to decorate the graves of the Confederates in Arlington Cemetery. Her son had been killed in the Union lines and was buried at Arlington, and on the first Memorial day she decorated two Confederate graves and one Union grave.

MRS. LITTLETON ADDRESSES LEGISLATURE

Mrs. Littleton, wife of Congressman Martin W. Littleton, of New York, addressed the House of Delegates and members of the Senate Saturday advocating making Monticello, the home of Jefferson, near Charlottesville, a "national shrine," like Washington's home, Mount Vernon.

A resolution was adopted urging Congress to acquire Monticello. A member suggested that it would not be necessary for Mrs. Littleton to continue reading various publications relating to her cause, and she burst into tears. The member promptly apologized, and a bouquet of roses brought back the lady's smiles.

Mrs. Littleton said that a New York man had offered last year to buy Monticello and present it to the State of Virginia, but that the offer, transmitted to Representative Jefferson M. Levy, of New York, the owner, through Gov. Mann, was never acknowledged.

FISH RUNNING EARLY

Fully a month earlier than is their habit had and herring are being caught on the Potomac river. It is evident that the fish

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THE CHAUTAUQUA.

The people of this city and the surrounding counties are to be congratulated on the very bright prospects for holding the chautauqua here. Indeed it may be stated that is an accomplished fact. This is an enterprise that will include music, the very best artists, both vocal and instrumental; lectures by known speakers of national reputation and other varied entertainments. It will be an attractive entertainment of literary, educational and amusement elements. The people of this city and of the adjoining counties should not fail to purchase tickets for the series of entertainments. This whole action is to be congratulated on having secured this chautauqua here and thanks are due to the gentlemen who engineered this scheme, they have shown commendable earnestness and energy in the matter.

THE VICE PRESIDENT.

President-elect Wilson says that he all frequently consult Vice President Marshall on all important matters and that his attainments are of a high character to go to waste. He says that Marshall's advice will be sought after on matters of policy during his administration. He says that his associate shall not occupy a position in his administration as a fifth wheel as so many of his predecessors have done. The President-elect says that Marshall and himself are in entire accord on the policies of the incoming administration and will make up of the cabinet. It has been said by some one that our former Vice President were only on the waiting list, waiting for the President to die or resign, or perhaps for nomination for the presidency at the next election; that they had no voice and never were consulted in matters of governmental administration. All this will be changed now by Mr. Wilson.

If President-Elect Wilson appoints Mr. Goetz as secretary of war, the army at least will say amen.

The veto of a retiring President won't carry much weight with our...

KING GEORGE

Death of Mrs. Price. Coming Entertainment, Etc.

King George, Va., March 3. The remains of Mrs. Virginia Jarling, wife of Charles T. Darling, who died at the home of her father, Mr. J. S. Dickinson, near Dogue, were buried Saturday at Mason.

Mrs. George Price died Thursday at her home near Ninde's Store, aged 63 years, leaving her husband and seven children. For many years Mrs. Price had been a member of the Baptist church.

The Ninde's Store public school, taught by Miss Bettie Grigaby and Miss Sadie Wilson, will give an entertainment, "The Village School of Ye Olden Time," at Colonial Beach in the public school building on March 7.

Rev. Geo. E. Green, U. S. Secretary of the Virginia Methodist Conference with headquarters in Richmond, and Rev. C. H. Lambeth, one of the editors of the Christian Advocate, will visit King George the second Sunday in April at Grace Union and Trinity churches.

We were pained to learn that Byron the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Gayle, Jr., of Passapatany had one of his limbs badly broken by a wagon wheel passing over it.

ALLEN CASES

(Special to The Free Land)
 Richmond, Va., March 3. Governor Mann left for Washington at noon without making known his decision in the Allen case.

A NEW CANNING FACTORY FOR FREDERICKSBURG

Through the farmers organization it has been brought about that with the help of the farmers a new tomato factory will be opened in Fredericksburg to handle a tomato crop for this coming season.

The promoters of this concern desire that there shall be an area of not less than 400 acres to assure them of a sufficient amount to operate the plant.

For the convenience of the farmers a committee has been appointed from the different counties. C. J. Charters, Stafford; Reuben Yates, Caroline; B. J. Musante, Spotsylvania, to confer with all the farmers who want to grow tomatoes for the factory and to find out what acreage can be offered to this...

MARTIN GIVES UP LEADERSHIP

Kern Succeeds Him as Caucus Leader in Senate.

VICTORY FOR THE PROGRESSIVES

Senator Thomas S. Martin, of Virginia, leader of the Democrats in the United States Senate, will not be a candidate for re-election as chairman of the caucus when the Democrats meet to organize for the new session, March 5. Senator Martin quietly announced his withdrawal to his Democratic associates. This was accepted by senators as equivalent to an admission by the conservatives of the Senate of the success of the Democratic progressive program to wrest a division of control from that wing of the party that always has been in power.

No one will be placed in nomination against Senator John W. Kern, of Indiana. The progressive candidate for leader will be chosen without a dissenting voice. Senator Martin made no statement concerning his retirement from the race, but in private discussion with his colleagues announced that he did so that there might be no friction, and the Democratic party could start in full control of the Senate with absolute harmony.

When the party caucus is called, the progressives are expected to further emphasize their power in the Senate by deciding the personnel of the committees on committees, which will make the assignments of senators to the various committees of the Senate. Leaders of the progressive wing would, however, make no statement concerning their probable policy with regard to a re-organization of the committees. Flushed with victory in forcing the capitulation of Senator Martin, it was predicted that they will take over the chief committees, and make their thoroughly progressive. Whether the conservatives who, through the rule of seniority, are entitled to chairmanships, are to be undisturbed is yet to be settled.

The more aggressive of the progressives are demanding that Senators Simmons, Martin, Bacon, Tillman and Bankhead, all of whom they class as conservatives or reactionaries, shall be deposed, and their chairmanships filled by men more in harmony with the spirit of the new and militant Democracy. A compromise, it is expected, may be reached that will leave these senators in their chairmanships for the sake of preserving party harmony, but this compromise will result in removing from such chairmen the arbitrary powers so long exercised by chairmen in the Senate, and the transfer of complete committee authority to the committee itself. There is no doubt that the progressives will control the Democratic party in the Senate—peacefully, if they can, but after a fight, if fight they must. These same progressives have quietly let it be known that the Democratic party in the Senate henceforth must be progressive, not only in word, but in deed.

Congressman Flood in a statement says: "You may say that President-Elect Wilson had, absolutely nothing whatever to do with the withdrawal of Senator Martin from the fight for chairmanship of the Senate caucus. Of this I am positively certain. Senator Martin is not here now, and without his permission I should not feel at liberty to...

SENATOR MARTIN'S WITHDRAWAL

Said That Kern Followers Made a Deal With Simmons.

THE GENERAL EFFECT, ETC., ETC.

A special from Washington says: Senator Thomas S. Martin, of Virginia, who has been the Democratic leader of the Senate for the past two years and who has withdrawn from the contest for re-election in the next Senate, was offered up as a sacrifice by his "old guard" colleagues to save themselves from being crushed by the progressive Wilson-Bryan forces in the incoming Senate.

The movement to dethrone Senator Martin from his seat of power in Democratic councils in the Senate was quietly organized and pushed. It was kept a profound secret until the progressives counted noses and found they had enough men. Then the story leaked out. Until then it was generally conceded that Senator Martin would be re-elected without opposition.

Even then many persons doubted Senator Martin is a resourceful man. Old senators and new senators were checked up and there were many who believed that some of those who were counted against the Virginian would be found with him when the show-down came.

But when the announcement came that Senator R. M. Simmons, of North Carolina, who has been Senator Martin's intimate friend and co-laborer in the upper chamber, was on the Kern side, there was consternation in the "old guard" camp. Senator Simmons carried over with him his colleague, Senator Jerman, Senator Clarke, of Arkansas, and several others. Senator Martin's friends saw for him to stay in the contest meant defeat and they prevailed upon him to withdraw.

Senator Simmons' desertion of Senator Martin caused a profound sensation. And the reason Simmons did it, from the best inside information, is that...

The North Carolinian wants to be the next chairman of the finance committee of the Senate. That committee drafts the tariff legislation. The Progressives, backed by Bryan and Wilson, want that committee in sympathy with the progressive ideas. There were many reports that Senator Martin would be allowed to keep the Democratic leadership as a sop to the conservative Democrats, but Simmons' wings would be clipped.

For Simmons to lose the finance committee chairmanship meant a most embarrassing situation at home. During his campaign for re-election last summer he told the people of North Carolina that he would resign his seat if he failed to get the finance committee chairmanship.

Simmons, it is declared, has been promised the finance chairmanship, or, in other words, Senator Kern, of Indiana, will not oppose his selection. The North Carolinian went over to the Kern camp and the Martin fight collapsed.

Persons close to William Jennings Bryan in Washington assert that the Nebraska influence was found against Martin in this leadership fight. It has not been as openly shown as it was two years ago.

Virginians concede that Senator Martin has made an efficient leader. Minority leadership in the senate heavily...

AT BROMPTON

CARLINE

KING GEORGE

SPOTSYLVANIA

A. Officers Entertained By Capt. Rowe.

RE BY COLONEL FOOTE

ompton," the home of Capt. Rowe, was a point of at n Friday for the U. S. officers and the War College ts, who are in camp here. he early part of the day the s and students gathered on ghest knoll in front of the ston residence on Marye's s and an interesting lectur delivered by Col. S. M. Foote The Washington Artillery. 'note had a large map show e principal points of the field, which he used in ex ig the battle and in bring ut special points. The lec was an instructive one and at interest. owing the lecture the offi and students were enter by Capt. Rowe at his homo road hall, the library and par er rown open and the sol we eadily interested in the anson and the historic sur ges. The day being a beau one, the large porch was a r resting place and there refreshments were served. A r of Capt. Rowe's friends Frederickburg went out to the soldiers. About 12.30 the visitors left for camp of the officers going to the al Cemetery. occasion was very much en

WON ON HIS RECORD

Griffin Appointed Without Political Influence.

Robert S. Griffin, assistant of the Bureau of Steam eriar, was today nominated sident Wilson as chief of rreau, succeeding Rear Ad- Hutch I. Cone, whose term ire on May 18, 1913.

Admiral Cone will revert original rank as a lieutenant ader and will be assigned to ty.

appointment of Capt. Griffin surprise. In making the se- Secretary Daniels ignored political pressure brought to behalf of other candidates. Griffin was supported sorely d, and the lack of po-

Birthday Party. other Items. Per- Marriage. Postmastership. New P. O. S. of A. Picnic. Other Items

so , Etc. Paigo, Va., May 22.

This has been a splendid week for work and the farmers are taking advantage of it. The rains of Sunday and Monday made it just right to plow under German clover and to plant corn.

Mrs. Mason Scripture and daughter, Hgen, are spending some time in Baltimore with Mrs. Baker.

Miss Ruth Blanton has returned to her home near Balty, after staying a week with the Misses Flippo.

Mr. Higgins has almost finished his bungalow and will occupy it in a few days.

Mr. Jeff Flippo, of Richmond, is staying at his mother's, hoping to benefit his health.

Miss Catherine Battelle, of Baltimore, was called home recently on account of the illness of her mother.

Several from this neighborhood took in the tournament at Woods lane. Mr. D. C. Smith and Mr. Tommie Thomas were among the successful knights, bringing away the third and fourth prizes.

Rev. S. H. Overton will preach at Bethel May 4, for the first time.

One of the most enjoyable events of the spring was a birthday party given to the children of Mr. and Mrs. Smith at North Point, the home of Mrs. M. D. Parr, on Wednesday afternoon from 2 to 5.30. About 2 o'clock the little folks began to arrive until they numbered 19. Games such as dropping handkerchief, fox and goose, gully-keeper, etc., were played until four o'clock when the merry party was led to the dining-room by grandmother and grandson, Master Dill Smith, then came the others.

Ada Cameron, Smith, Charles Beazley, Eugenia Coghill, Jim Smith, Thelma Woolfolk, Latane Wood, Margaret Coghill, Thomas Higgins, Alice Beazley, Willard Gray, Arthur and Robert Beazley, Nellie Byrd and Lois Gray, Elizabeth Beazley, George Washington, Madge Higgins, Henry Washington, Jr. The dining-room looked almost like fairy land. The room was decorated in white and pink and brilliantly lighted with white and pink candles. The table was filled with fruits, candies, cakes and ice cream, all of which was thoroughly enjoyed. The presents were numerous, pretty and useful.

By One Who Was Present.

King George, Va. May 2.

Mrs. Beattie G. Gouldman and Mr. Mortimer Littlefield, formerly of New Hampshire, were married Thursday evening at the home of the bride at Wilkerson's wharf, Westmoreland county, by Rev. R. Phelps, of the Episcopal church.

The bride was gowned in gray champagne. The sister of the bride, Mrs. C. G. Williams, of Oak Grove, was bridesmaid and Mr. C. B. Spillman, of Colonial Beach, was best man.

Mr. C. A. Grigsby and son, formerly of King George, who now reside at Anacostia, near Washington, are expected soon to visit the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Atkins, near King George C. H.

Alexander Le Norman, aged 8 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Le Norman, of Boston, is visiting the home of Mr. Roger Boggs near King George C. H. The youth made the trip alone from Boston to King George without accident and in good shape.

We learn that the fight for the postmastership at King George C. H., for which there are two candidates, has been placed by the P. O. Department in Washington in the hands of an inspector, who is expected here soon to make the appointment.

A couple of old school buildings, one used for white and the other for colored children near Ninde's Store will be sold today at King George C. H. to the highest bidders. New buildings have taken the place of these old ones. A little more destructive work, followed by constructive work on other school buildings in the county would be a good thing. Let the ball continue to roll.

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WONDERFUL SKIN SALVE

Bucklen's Arnica Salve is known everywhere as the best remedy made for all diseases of the skin, and also for burns, bruises and boils. Reduces inflammation and is soothing and healing. J. T. Spelman, publisher of News, of Cornelius, N. C., writes that one box helped his serious skin ailment after other remedies failed. Only 25c. Recommended by all druggists.

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BUFFALO BILL'S BIG PARADE

P. O. S. of A. Picnic. Other Items From Granite Springs.

Granite Springs, Va., May 1.

The P. O. S. of A. camp at Stubbs' Mill will give a picnic for the benefit of the camp on June 7, at Mr. P. D. Taylor's gate, near Dilward's bridge on North Anna river. There will be music, a bull game, a tournament and refreshments of all kinds. A big time is expected.

The P. O. S. of A. is a fraternal order and helps its members when sick or disabled, and they are going to build a large new hall at Stubbs' Mill. We wish them success in their undertakings. The camp of Stubbs' Mill has 50 members and new members are coming in.

Mr. J. H. Swift, the genial and accommodating merchant and postmaster at this place, who has been sick for a good while, we are glad to say is up and dispensing his good cheer again to the delight of all his friends.

The whole countryside has been overrun with measles for the last six months or more and the children still lingers around. The open and warm winter has not been good for health. Since Jan. 10, there have been many deaths and a lot of sickness.

Many are backward in farming. TEXAS.

BEST MEDICINE FOR COLDS

When a druggist recommends a remedy for colds, throat and lung troubles, you can feel sure that he knows what he is talking about. C. Lower, Druggist, of Marion, Ohio, writes of Dr. King's New Discovery: "I know Dr. King's New Discovery is the best throat and lung medicine I sell. It cured my wife of a severe bronchial cold after all other remedies failed." It will do the same for you if you are suffering with a cold or any bronchial, throat or lung cough. Keep a bottle on hand all the time for everyone in the family to use. It is a home doctor. Price 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed by all druggists.

LOADS ON IMPROVED ROADS

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Spotsylvania county held at the courthouse thereof on Monday, April 21, 1913, present and presiding, L. M. Smith, chairman; C. R. Andrews, B. C. Dickinson and H. M. Clammack supervisors; and

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