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DR. STEINER, PRESIDENT BOARD OF VISITORS, DIES SUDDENLY



Enoch Pratt Librarian

Former Professor at Hopkins. Author of Many Volumes.

Also Took Active Part in Politics.

Dr. Bernard Christian Steiner, for thirty-three years librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library and formerly associate in history at the Johns Hopkins University, died suddenly January 12 at his home, 1631 Eutaw Place. He was fifty-eight years old.

According to physicians, death was caused by angina pectoris. With Dr. Steiner at the time was his twelve year old son, Richard. The death occurred at about 8.30 P. M.

He is survived by his widow, Ethel Simes Steiner; a son, Richard Steiner; a brother

Dr. Walter Steiner, of Hartford, Conn., and three sisters, Miss Amy Steiner, Miss Gertrude Steiner and Miss Bertha Steiner, all of Baltimore.

Dr. Steiner was born in Guilford, Conn., August 13, 1867. He was the son of the late Lewis Henry Steiner and Mrs. Sarah Spencer Steiner, formerly of Frederick, Maryland.

After completing his preparatory school work at the Frederick Academy, Dr. Steiner entered Yale University. He received his bachelor of arts degree in 1888 and his

master of arts degree in 1890. The following year he entered Hopkins, receiving the degree of doctor of philosophy in 1891. Three years later he received the degree of bachelor of laws from the University of Maryland and two years ago he received a doctor of literature degree from Dickinson College, Pa.

After completing his studies at Hopkins, Dr. Steiner accepted a position as instructor in history at Williams College, being in charge of the department. He gave up this position in 1892 to accept the librarianship of the Baltimore library, succeeding his father in the post.

In addition to his work at the Enoch Pratt Library he became instructor of history at Hopkins in 1893 and from 1894 until 1911 was associate in the department.

For seven years he also was connected with other Baltimore schools. From 1897 until 1900 he was dean and professor of constitutional law at the Baltimore University. For the next four years he was dean and professor of public law at the Baltimore Law School.

For many years Dr. Steiner had been active in the affairs of the Presbyterian Church and at the time of his death he was an elder in the First Presbyterian

Church. In 1920-21 he was a member of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States.

In politics he took an active part in the Republican party. In 1909 he was a member of the publication committee of the Baltimore Reform League and worked to defeat the proposed Strauss disfranchising amendment to the Maryland Constitution. In 1911 he was offered the nomination for State Senate by the Republican party, but declined.

Dr. Steiner also was the author of a number of works and articles on historical, biographical and educational subjects. The list of his writings includes "Education in Connecticut," "Education in Maryland," "History of Guilford, Conn.," "Life of Sir Robert Eden," "Institutions and Civil Government of Maryland," "Life and Correspondence of James McHenry," "Life of Reverdy Johnson," "Life of Henry Barnard" and "Life of Roger B. Taney." He also was editor of "Archives of Maryland."

Dr. Steiner was a member of the American Historical Society, the American Antiquarian Society, the Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity and the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity, and the Elihu Club of Yale College.

—*Baltimore Sun.*

MANY ATTEND FUNERAL

The First Presbyterian Church, at Park avenue and Madison street, was crowded at 11 A. M. today for the funeral services of Dr. Bernard C. Steiner.

Those attending included members of the board of trustees of the library, members of other boards on which Dr. Steiner had served and members of the faculty of the Johns Hopkins University, where he had taught.

Services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Hugh L. Hodge, the pastor of the church, after which the body was taken to Frederick for burial. Upon arrival in Frederick the cortege was met by officials of the Maryland State School for the Deaf. The cadets formed a guard of honor. All the teachers, officers and pupils assembled to pay their last tribute at the grave in Mt. Olivet Cemetery where Dr. Hodge was assisted by Rev. Dr. Henry L. G. Keiffer, pastor of the Evangelical Reformed Church.

The honorary pallbearers were the trustees of the Enoch Pratt Library, the elders of the First Presbyterian church, members of the Politics and Literary Club, James Shaler Hodges, Waldo Newcomer, Dr. Hiram Woods, John K. Shaw and Carlton Harrison.

The active pall-bearers at the services in the church: L. H. Dielman, T. D. Penniman, Samuel K. Dennis, George D. Brown, Oscar E. Webb and James A. Gary, Jr.

The pall-bearers at Frederick were: George Dennis, Richard Ross, Ernest Helfenstein, Charles Mathias, Richard Potts and Ignatius Bjorlee.

Dr. Steiner was librarian of the Enoch Pratt Library for thirty-three years. He and his father were the only librarians of the institution in its history, both receiving their appointment direct from Enoch Pratt, the founder.

—*Baltimore Evening Sun.*

EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Frederick News.

Word of the death in Baltimore of Dr. Bernard C. Steiner came as a shock to Frederick friends of this prominent Marylander. Possibly no other former resident of this city has attained such eminence and distinction as Dr. Steiner. As a student of literature, author and teacher he won wide note. He was best known possibly for his connection with the Enoch Pratt Libraries in Baltimore, of which he had been librarian for years.

Doctor Steiner was mild mannered, but firm. He made friends readily, and always thought of the best in people and in books. His life was an inspiration, and he will be sorely missed in his field of labor.

While Dr. Steiner's heart was close to Frederick, his most active interest here was in the Maryland School for the Deaf, and he had been a member of the Board of Visitors for years. Since 1916 he had been president of the directorate. Dr. Steiner's vision for years was for a larger development at the Frederick School, which called for a new building where trades could be taught more effectively. Finally, the State made the appropriation, work was planned and the structure began to take form. On the very eve of the dedication of this building, in the exercises of which he was to take a prominent part, the hand of death called him to the Beyond. It is especially sad that he did not live to see the fulfillment of his laudable aim, which will mean so much to this local institution.

Sympathy of Frederick friends will go to relatives of Dr. Steiner.

Baltimore American.

Dr. Bernard C. Steiner was a citizen who combined in rare degree the traditional attributes of gentleman and scholar, a self-effacing man who yet kept in contact with the city's varied life and was able to think independently and clearly.

His passing causes many regrets, for his constructive work as head of the Enoch Pratt Free Library made him many friends; and all his plans for developing the institution are cut short.

As an author he was one of Maryland's most prolific writers. His researches in biography have added largely to the store of knowledge available about the State's early days and have assured him a permanent place in its history.

Baltimore Evening Sun.

Dr. Bernard Steiner, whose sudden and lamented death occurred yesterday, served the people of Baltimore well for a third of a century. In 1892 he succeeded his father, the first head of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, and under his guidance, in spite of limited and often apparently grudging support from the city, its field of usefulness was constantly increased and widened.

His own particular field of scholarship was history. He was perhaps the leading authority on the early days of Maryland. His life of Chief Justice Roger Brooke Taney was a monument of research, and his other works as well showed both sound scholarship and a good literary style.

Dr. Steiner brought to his work in the library great tact, kindly patience and a thorough understanding of the part a public library should play in the life of a great city. His industry was untiring. He was more than competent. He had great plans for extending the usefulness of the library and he worked daily to carry them out.

Personally he was modest, simple and retiring. Those who knew him best were fondest of him and will miss him most.

From an Editorial in the "Shore Line Times," Guilford, Connecticut.

"STEINER"

"He was in school in my day and we had interests in common despite the fact that we were as far apart as the East is from the West in the matter of politics and religion, but we remained friends having a common admiration for our instructor, and in common, we wrote a hand that took no prizes.

Sometimes we would meet of an evening in the little room which served his Grandfather as a law office and discuss many things. Although he belonged to the Brahmin caste he was democratic when he might have been otherwise, and he was enthusiastic when he might have been blase. To quote a phrase from his own faith he was foreordained and predestined to be a scholar and many degrees followed his name long before his death. He was singularly fortunate in that his life's work was exactly to his taste."—F. E. Norton.

IN MEMORIAM

A. E. Bostwick in The Library Journal.

Bernard C. Steiner, for thirty-three years librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore, died suddenly at his home in that city on January 12 last. Dr. Steiner, was born in Guilford, Conn., in 1867, graduated at Yale in 1888, and received the degree of doctor of philosophy from Johns Hopkins in 1891. Three years later he was given the degree of bachelor of laws at the University of Maryland, and in 1896 the honorary degree of doctor of literature was bestowed on him by Dickinson College, Pennsylvania.

When his father, Dr. Lewis H. Steiner, the first librarian of the Enoch Pratt Library, died in 1892, Dr. Bernard Steiner resigned the position of instructor in history at Williams College, and succeeded his father in the librarianship, holding it for the remainder of his life. In addition, he was instructor in history in Johns Hopkins University from 1893 until 1911. He also held law professorships in the Baltimore University and in the Baltimore Law School. He was an active member of the Presbyterian Church, and took part in politics as a member of the Republican Party. The list of his published works is a considerable one and embraces books on education, civil government, and historical biography.

The recital of these facts alone is sufficient to show that the library profession has lost in Dr. Steiner one of its most conspicuous members, but it is proper here to insist only on his work as a librarian. In charge of a library that has never had an adequate income, he nevertheless succeeded in carrying on a rather remarkable work of library extension in his community at almost incredibly small expense. During his librarianship, there have been established in Baltimore no less than twenty-seven branch libraries, it having been his policy to care for the library needs of the city with large number of small branches rather than to make any one branch an institution of conspicuous size. Each of his branches has been housed in a small but fitting structure and the book stock has been kept as low as consistent with good work, while the whole has been administered with a very small staff, the total number of the twenty-six branch staffs in 1924 being only sixty-one or two and one-third assistants per branch.

This achievement, which merits study and imitation in many places where, like Baltimore, large library incomes seem to have been out of the question, has been too little noticed, but it is nevertheless a distinct addition to our accomplishment in library administration.

Personally, Dr. Steiner was a man of great energy and vitality and of seemingly boundless strength. His intense interest in all places or objects connected with local history or biography was well known to his library associates, who were not at all surprised to receive invitations to rise at dawn and tramp six or eight miles to view the remote birthplace of some distinguished man or some wild spot in an adjacent swamp where there had once been a sanguinary conflict between settlers and Indians.

A ripe scholar, a widely-informed mind, one who held deep convictions and was not afraid of stating and maintaining them, a hard worker and a faithful friend, Steiner represented the type of men that our recruiting committees are trying, too often in vain, to lure into the library profession—a type that we must have if we are to improve our status in professional life and that it is a distinct tragedy to lose from among us.

Taken from the Resolution passed by the Board of Trustees and the employees of the Enoch Pratt Free Library.

"The sudden death of our Librarian, Dr. Bernard C. Steiner, comes as a shock to the Board of Trustees and the employees of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, such as it is almost impossible to realize. None of us can think of the Library without thinking of Dr. Steiner.

On February 29, 1892, Dr. Steiner succeeded his father as Librarian, only six years after the Library was opened to the public and he served it faithfully, loyally and untiringly until within a few days of his death on January 12, 1926. Thirty-three years of hard and efficient work overcoming difficulties that looked insuperable; always sure to go forward, never thinking of a backward step.

When Dr. Steiner was first elected Librarian the system consisted of the Central Library and only five branches. It now has twenty-six branches and the Central Building has had to expand so that it

now occupies three adjoining houses.

In addition to the Administrative duties of the Library, he was a great reader, an author of note, a teacher, a regular Church worker and one who was ready to serve the Public in any good cause. His death will be a loss to the State and Nation as well as to his many friends, other than his family, none can miss him more than his associates at the Enoch Pratt Free Library."

Resolutions Upon the Death of Dr. Bernard Christian Steiner, President of the Board of Visitors, Maryland School for the Deaf.

The Board of Visitors of the Maryland School for the Deaf wish to record their feelings of personal loss and great sorrow in the death of Doctor Steiner, the President of the Board, which occurred at his home in Baltimore, Maryland, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1926.

Dr. Steiner's forefathers came as emigrants to America from Germany and settled in Frederick County, Maryland, in the early part of the 18th century, and were among those who helped to make memorable the history of Frederick County.

For many years his family owned the tract of land about two miles West from Frederick they called "Schieverstadt", after the Town in Germany whence they came.

Doctor Steiner was the son of Doctor Lewis H. Steiner and was born at Guilford, Connecticut, on August 13th, in the year 1867, his mother having been resident of that town.

Doctor Steiner inherited the strong intellectual character of his father, who was distinguished for his scholarly attainments, and whose name is well written into the history of Frederick County, as one who was distinguished as a Churchman and as Member of the Maryland Legislature from Frederick County for many years.

Doctor Bernard Steiner lived his early life in Frederick where he attended and graduated from the old Frederick Academy and in 1884 moved to Baltimore at which time his father was appointed as the first Librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, and upon the death of Doctor Steiner in 1892, his son Bernard was appointed Librarian as his successor, and which position Doctor Bernard Steiner held until the date of his death.

He was a graduate of Yale University and also the University of Maryland School of Law, and for some years was an Asso-

ciate in history in Johns Hopkins University where he received his Ph.D.

As a student, and the author of books of history and biography such as his works on the Early Colonial History of Maryland and his life of Roger Brooke Taney, and Reverdy Johnson, he is noted as one of the leading authorities and authors of the early Colonial History of Maryland, and entitled to a permanent place among eminent Maryland Men of Letters.

He became a Member of the Board of Visitors of the Maryland School for the Deaf in 1897, and was chosen President of the Board in 1916, since which time he has been faithful, active and enthusiastic official head of the Board.

Be it Therefore Resolved by the Board of Visitors of the Maryland School for the Deaf that we bear testimony to the many years of faithful and devoted work of Doctor Steiner in the interests of the Maryland School and to the fact that in every way in his power he advanced its interests and gave largely of his time and service for the welfare of the Institution:—

That in his death each Member of this Board feels the loss of a personal friend, one whom it has been their pleasure to have as their Presiding Officer and who at all times has been kind and courteous in his administration of the office with which he was so appropriately entrusted.

That his fine ideals, his high character, his intellectual achievements, his kindness of heart, his addresses of counsel and advice, have endeared him to all the pupils of the Institution during the many years of his official service:—

And so at this time we more particularly and affectionately think of him together with many other former Members of this Board, who have rendered long and faithful service here, that

"They never quite leave us, the brethren who've passed

Through the shadow of death to the sunlight above.
A thousand sweet memories are holding them fast
To the places they blessed with their presence and love."

And Be It Further Resolved that this Memorial be written into the Minutes of this Board, and that a copy of the same be transmitted by the Secretary to the nearest relatives of Doctor Steiner.

*Ernest Helfenstein,
Jacob Rohrbach,
George R. Dennis, Jr.
Committee.*

From a Memorial to Dr. Bernard Christian Steiner presented to the Maryland Historical Society at its meeting on February eighth by the Publication Committee of the Society.

The Maryland Historical Society mourns the death of Bernard Christian Steiner. For more than thirty years, as member and officer, his tireless industry in the investigation of Maryland History, and his devotion to the activities of the Society made the number of his printed contributions to the story of this Commonwealth unprecedented from the hand of any single writer.

As editor of the Archives of Maryland he performed for nine years a laborious duty with care and judgment, to the great credit of the State and of the Society which entrusted him with this task, and with applause of all students of American History.

While at the same time in charge of a complicated public Library system his investigating spirit carried him beyond the confines of the State, as may be seen in his contributions to the Historical Studies of the Johns Hopkins University, in the publications of the United States Bureau of Education, and in the book lists of American publishers.

The Society joins in the general sadness at the sudden passing of one whose influence was felt at many vital points in the life of the city, but desires especially to record its grateful remembrance to the loyal co-operation and the contagious enthusiasm with which he took part in its historical activities.

Resolved: that this memorial be spread upon the minutes of the Society and that copies be sent to members of his family.

Taken from a Resolution passed by the officers, Teachers and Scholars of Sunday School of the First Presbyterian Church.

"Dr. Steiner in his thorough knowledge of God's word, in his unflinching loyalty to Christ, and his upright Christian life, has exemplified before us during all this time, the ideals of the school.

His memory will remain a very precious heritage of the school and a stimulus to greater service in the future."

Resolved, that this expression of our appreciation of the noble life and of the long and devoted service of Dr. Steiner be spread upon the minutes of the Sunday School.

Taken from a Resolution passed by Maryland Bible Society.

"Dr. Steiner was peculiarly fitted to direct the affairs of this Society. Scholar at all times and statesman, he was first a Christian, closely in touch with spiritual things, and with a broad appreciation of the Missionary need of the world; to this he added a wise interest in the Society's welfare and progress, and fidelity to its every service, giving unstintingly of himself in response to each demand. He was a source always of strength and inspiration to his fellow laborers."

Taken from Resolution passed by the Young Men's Christian Association of Baltimore.

"Elected to membership on this Board in 1892, Dr. Steiner has been continuously an example of fidelity to duty. Whether on the Committee of the Physical Department of which he was Chairman for some years, on the State Committee, the Committee on Branches or in his last assignment as Chairman of the Committee on Revision of the Constitution, his intelligent and unflagging interest in the work allotted to him was an important contribution to the effectiveness of this Association."

Resolution passed by the Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Baltimore.

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Baltimore desire to place on record their expression of grief and profound sense of loss in the death of Bernard Christian Steiner.

Dr. Steiner was for many years a member of this Church and served it in many capacities with a fidelity and devotion which may well be an inspiration to us all. He was a life-long student of the Bible; he always taught in the Sunday School and his instructions through a series of years covered the entire New Testament and the historical and prophetic books of the Old Testament. In nineteen hundred and ten he became the Clerk of Session and discharged the responsible duties of this position with a thoroughness and accuracy which may well be described as ideal. He knew most of the members of the Church and congregation by name and took pains to establish sympathetic relations with them.

Dr. Steiner was deeply interested in mis-

sions and as Chairman of the Missionary and Stewardship Committee he occasionally conducted the Wednesday evening service bringing interesting missionary reports. The midweek service was particularly interesting and important in his mind and he found great enjoyment in it. The regularity of his attendance on all the services of the Church was exemplary. Dr. Steiner's interest in the spiritual welfare of the church was constant. Dr. Steiner was active in the Presbytery and Synod and in the local work of the Presbyterian Church throughout the city. He was a student of the history and polity of the Presbyterian Church and none of us were so well informed as he upon such matters. It was fitting that he should be appointed a member of the General Assembly to reorganize the Boards of the Church and the present system was, in a degree, due to his advice and co-operation.

In many of the interests of the church and congregation Dr. Steiner was active. For years he was a member of the Board of Managers of the Egerton Home and a member of the Board of Managers of the Presbyterian Training School. He was a member of the Federated Council. In various religious activities outside the immediate work of this church Dr. Steiner was prominent. For many years he served as one of the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association and he was long the Secretary of the Maryland Bible Society. He lived a full, active and efficient life in the Church and in the religious life of the city.

It is not in the province of the session to attempt to estimate Dr. Steiner's work as Librarian of the Enoch Pratt Free Library or his interested and active connection with the Maryland Historical Society or his contributions as an author to biography and history, or his service in many positions of civic interest and importance which he filled. He was a citizen of the highest type, public spirited, courageous and self-sacrificing. The whole community of Baltimore suffers a loss in his removal.

In taking leave of so loyal and steadfast a friend, a companion so delightful, a coadjutor so valuable, the Session is quite unable to express in words its deep sense of affliction. We shall always hold in affectionate and reverent memory his character and his life and it should be the desire of us all to emulate his example.

Address of Dr. Hodge

"Dr. Bernard Christian Steiner, in a written statement, which he made some years ago, asked that the Minister of the First Church should conduct his funeral services and say a word for Jesus Christ that might help men. I am wondering this morning, if it had been possible, or if it were possible, to even think that a man might speak at his own funeral, what Dr. Steiner would say to you men for Jesus Christ. And I am thinking that some of you will say to me, that he does speak now—his spirit speaks. It is not vocal. We do not hear it, but the prevailing spirit of that man of God is throughout this whole city and throughout our whole Church and far and wide over the country, the man he was known to be—what his middle name indicates—Christian ! And I think that spirits would say to every one of us men just what his life said to us: "What are we going to do with Jesus and the Church that we worship Him in?" Here is a man of remarkable brains, a student of the Bible from his youth and who, in our own Sunday School, has taught it from cover to cover—every single Book of the Bible from beginning to end—and was just beginning another course. He was familiar with all its truths throughout. He was a constant student of it. And I cannot help but think of Dr. Steiner in somewhat the same way I think of St. Paul, the giant intellect of the New Testament who believed in Christ and left all that he had that he might follow Him. Dr. Steiner studied. He thought deeply. He became convinced and ordered his whole life accordingly. I am sure that every one of us do a great many things because of the faith of others like Dr. Steiner's in Christ. What would he say to us to do now except to follow Him, to love Him, to acknowledge Him and to grow towards Him. He was a man who spent his life in developing his character by the study of the Word and by the teaching of the Word and by his own discipline of his own heart by the Word; until today we all honor him. If it had been possible at this hour to close the business houses, this Church would not contain the people who would come to do him honor, because he was a Christian and because he was loving and because he was loved. I have tried to carry out his wishes, to say a word for Jesus Christ to help men !"

Museum Receives Wool Reel

A splendid specimen of a wool reel formerly owned by Mrs. Christian Steiner, grandmother of Dr. Bernard C. Steiner, was recently given to the school museum by Dr. Walter R. Steiner, representing the heirs of our former Board President. The gift is particularly appreciated not only because of its intrinsic worth but because of the memories linked with its more recent ownership.

Marriages by the Deaf

Occasionally we are confronted with an inquiry as to the advisability of intermarriage on the part of the deaf. The frequency of deafness reoccurring in the families being the thought prompting such inquiry. It is interesting to cite in this connection that in Frederick County there are five families with both parents deaf. In each of these families there are children, a total of thirteen in all. Twelve of whom have normal hearing while one was born deaf.

Sydney Brand and James Pilchard.

We have recently passed through an epidemic of measles, in all eight girls and seven boys were affected. In common with other sections of the state, complications were encountered in connection with the measles. In two cases pneumonia proved fatal. Sidney Dryden Brand, son of Charles and Sunie Dryden Brand, age six years, died on Sunday morning, January 31st. Sidney came to us September 19th, 1924. He was a bright little chap of whom we were all very fond. James Thomas Pilchard, son of Asa F. and Mariam Payne Pilchard, of Pocomoke City, passed away on Monday, February 1st. James was seven years of age having been entered at the Maryland School January 7th 1925. He was a most likable child but very frail, never seeming to have regained full physical vigor since having two attacks of pneumonia prior to entering school. Such care as could only be given by loving hands was bestowed upon the boys. A shadow of gloom spread itself upon the institution as a result of these fatalities, which were the first to be recorded due to illness since 1899. Our heart felt sympathy goes out to the bereaved parents who in their sorrow expressed a confidence that all within human power had been done for the loved ones. At this writing we are glad to report that all of the children at school are well.

Mr. Jones Lectures

It was a real treat to have Mr. William G. Jones, of the Fanwood School, N. Y. City, as our guest, February 20—22. He is this year rounding out fifty years of consecutive teaching at the Institution where he has been an inspiration to the hundreds of deaf pupils who have been amused, entertained and edified in keeping with the occasion. As a pantomime artist we believe Mr. Jones has no equal in the deaf profession.

Every pupil who witnessed, "The Bells," a most vivid portrayal on the theme, "Be sure your sins will find you out," sat as if spell bound throughout the rendition.

From the *Hawkeye* we clipped the following by Arthur Brisbane:

"It is preposterous that any human beings, outside of actual barbarism, should grow up unable to read.

"But teaching them to read and write is only the first step. The next is teaching human beings to think, which is considerably more difficult and important."

Agree with Mr. Brisbane in this statement and you will be obliged to admit that, laying aside all argument of "method," Mr. Jones is truly a great teacher.

Local News

Mrs. Richard Ross and Mrs. Bjorlee recently attended the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra concert in Washington.

Miss Lee had the pleasure of a visit, February 13—14, from Miss Sara Johnston, a teacher of Latin in the high school, of Wilmington, Delaware.

Miss Emily Sterck, teacher at the School for the Deaf, Trenton, N. J., spent the week end of February 13th with her friend, Miss McAndrew. She remained over Monday in order to see some of the work of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. Bjorlee entertained Dr. and Mrs. John T. Huddle January 28th and 29th. Dr. Huddle who is pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Washington, D. C., gave "An Evening with James Whitcomb Riley" at ladies night of the local Rotary Club.

On Saturday January 30th, Mr. Bjorlee was called to his home in Northwood, Iowa by a telegram announcing the sudden death of his mother. Funeral services were held on the afternoon of February first. Mr. Bjorlee returned to his duties at the school on Friday the fifth.

DEAF AUTOISTS GET CONCESSIONS

At last the deaf of Maryland are to be given an opportunity to demonstrate to the Commissioner of Maryland, Colonel E. Austin Baughman, their ability to successfully operate motor vehicles. The following restrictions will for the present be in effect but we have the assurance of the Commissioner that as records of satisfactory operation so justify he will from time to time remove the restrictions.

We shall not go into a detailed discussion of the restrictions at this time, but would urge prospective deaf drivers to secure copies of "Motor Vehicle Law" and make a thorough study of same before attempting to secure a driver's permit.

It is hoped that arrangements can be completed by March 1st. Announcements as to the two additional members of the advisory committee will be made through the Baltimore papers prior to that date.

Probationary Restrictions

1. Deaf persons will be permitted to operate an automobile only when accompanied, on the driving seat, by a speaking person of normal hearing and of at least sixteen years of age.

2. The driving privileges granted under Maryland licenses to deaf persons to be limited to the operation of an automobile within the boundaries of the State of Maryland; the said license to be void in any state other than Maryland.

3. Licenses to be restricted to the operation of automobiles which are equipped with a properly adjusted rear-view mirror.

4. Horn or other warning device—which the law requires must be on all motor vehicles—to be tested immediately prior to every trip; this test to be made by the heretofore mentioned hearing and speaking companion of the operator.

5. No license to be issued to a deaf person who has any other and additional physical disability—other than that of being mute as well as deaf.

6. Applicants' fitness and qualifications to receive a license to be investigated and recommended, favorably or unfavorably, to the Commissioner, who retains the right to disregard such recommendation, by a committee of three competent persons.

7. This Committee to consist of Professor Ignatius Bjorlee, Superintendent of the Maryland School for the Deaf at Frederick, Md., who shall act as its chairman;

and two other competent persons, one of whom shall be a resident of the Eastern Shore of Maryland and one of them shall be a resident of Baltimore City. The two members of this committee last mentioned shall be appointed by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles upon the nomination and recommendation of Professor Bjorlee.

8. The license issued to deaf persons shall in all instances be issued only after all requirements as to passing the usual examination on the provisions of the automobile law, and giving a driving demonstration satisfactory to the Commissioner have been complied with.

The following letter shows the present status of the whole matter:

February 18th, 1926.

My dear Col. Baughman:—

Following up the conversation which Mr. Charles Mathias and myself had with you at the office on Tuesday, I would state as follows with reference to the restrictions outlined by you to be imposed against deaf automobile drivers.

I feel that a step in the right direction has been made toward the ultimate goal which should give the deaf such privileges as I feel they are entitled to. My absolute confidence in the ability of the deaf to drive on equal terms with the hearing, assures me that from time to time you will see your way clear to modify these restrictions.

I have gone over the paper very carefully and feel that in view of the fact that the deaf are so to speak, on probation, you have dealt very fairly with them. I have the highest regard for the definite and determined stand which you take on matters of conviction and trust you will understand that the zeal with which I have sponsored the cause of the deaf in this matter is brought about by a similar conviction on my part, that the deaf will not prove a menace upon the highways or an added burden to your department.

In the interest of the deaf who I feel confident will demonstrate to you during the period of probation their ability to drive, I accept the appointment as chairman of the advisory committee, and will strive to serve both yourself and the deaf to the best of my judgment.

Ignatius Bjorlee.

FINAL SUMMONS CALLS MRS. KAREN BJORLEE

Extract from Northwood, (Ia.,) Anchor.

After twenty years of poor health, during the past two years of which she has been almost helpless, the final summons came Friday evening, January 29, to Mrs. Karen Bjorlee at her home in northwest Northwood. A stroke during the afternoon hours made death's visit certain within a short time and members of the family were prepared for the end.

Mrs. Bjorlee had made her home in Northwood for nearly forty years, she and Mr. Bjorlee moving here from a farm in Freeborn county, Minnesota, in 1888.

Her only son, Ignatius Bjorlee, of Frederick, Maryland, gave her every attention possible at the distance he was from his mother. Visits in the summer months had been made to Northwood every year since he took up his commendable work of educating the deaf in the East, sixteen years ago.

Funeral services were held at the late home, followed by services at the Lutheran church which had been beautifully decorated by members of the aid society. Among the numerous floral offerings was a magnificent spray from the teachers and officials and a wreath from the children of the Maryland State School for the Deaf, of which Mr. Bjorlee is Superintendent. This expression of sympathy was especially touching and appreciated by Mr. Bjorlee. A number of Northwood friends desiring to show their respects made up a substantial contribution. Knowing that it would be in keeping with the wishes of Mrs. Bjorlee to use the money for a lasting tribute, the money is to be used for some benevolent cause in her memory. A beautiful sermon was delivered by her pastor, Rev. Carl B. Ylvisaker, on Philippians 1:21—"For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." This text had been chosen by the departed shortly before her death.

The following sketch and tribute has been kindly furnished by the pastor.

Karen Tostenson was born August 11, 1868, in Trempeleau county, Wisconsin. She was confirmed at the Round Prairie Lutheran church, near Glenville, Minn.

In 1885, she was united in marriage to Elias Bjorlee. They lived on a farm for three years, and moved to Northwood in the fall of 1888. They united with the Trinity Lutheran congregation. Mrs. Bjorlee often spoke of the Sunday School

class she taught for many years. The hours spent in church work represented her happiest memories of the past. Although she never had much to do with, she was always anxious to share with others. Perhaps that is the reason so many were willing to render assistance by a cheerful smile, a friendly touch and an encouraging word when these became so vital to her happiness.

Mr. Bjoree died November 30, 1919. Mrs. Bjorlee then made arrangements to have her aged parents come and stay with her. Mr. Tostenson died May 2, 1921, and Mrs. Tostenson on New Year's Day, 1925.

It seems that Mrs. Bjorlee was destined to be a sufferer and a cross-bearer. Like so many, she took a long course in the school of affliction to learn "the finest of all fine arts—the Christian art of carrying the Cross." She submitted to a major operation in 1902. After that she was never a strong woman. She suffered her first stroke in October, 1923. The second stroke came in June, 1924, and the last on Friday, January 29, at 1:30 P.M. She lived only a few hours, passing away at 10:30 that same evening.

She asked to partake of the Lord's Supper the last time during Christmas. Having lived a Christian life with steadfast faith to the end we feel assured that she has reached the bounds of life, where burdens are laid down and crosses left forever.

She has one son, Ignatius Bjorlee, Superintendent of the Maryland State School for the Deaf. She followed him incessantly with her thought and prayers. He has been a true son to her. Although it was so ordained that they should be separated so much of the time, he considered no sacrifice too great to help make her comfortable and happy.

There were five step-children, three of whom survive her. Sever and his wife have made their home here the past two years, and given Mrs. Bjorlee the finest of care. Anton is a banker at Welch, Minn., and has made frequent trips to Northwood during her long illness. Ellen is Mrs. S. O. Ringoen of Blaisdell, North Dakota.

Two sisters and a brother survive, Mary, Mrs. S. W. Perkins, Northwood, Lena, Mrs. Charles Nagel, Glenville, Minn., and Emil Tostenson, of Jackson, Minn.

ALUMNI AND OTHER DEAF

Messrs Walter Swope and Gervaise Neale were recent visitors.

Mr. Joseph E. Volluse was a visitor at the school on January 31st.

Mr. Lester Miner took a trip to Hagerstown on the 31st of January. He spent the day with his mother.

Messrs Benson, Kemp, and Faupel attended the mass meeting of the deaf held in Baltimore February 22nd. The trip was made in Mr. Kemp's car.

In the BULLETIN for January the statement was made that Mr. James Christopher had died. That was an error. We are glad to announce that James is still living.

Mrs. D. E. Moylan recently mourned the loss of her dear brother Mr. Charles F. Linthicum who passed away in Charlotte, N. C. Mrs. Moylan is making her winter home with her daughter Mrs. Elliott in Washington, D. C.

News of success with which his boys and girls are meeting as they fight the battle of life are always pleasing and ever sought by the Superintendent. Recently Gervaise Neale wrote an enthusiastic letter about his work. After varying luck as a factory hand, upholsterer and painter of houses Gervaise landed a position at the Mayer furniture Company's plant in Washington, D. C., as a finisher. He likes his job so well he intends to stick to it.

A movie entertainment in sign language was held on the night of February 22 at Odd Fellows' Hall, in Baltimore, under the auspices of the Maryland State School Alumni Association. The proceeds from the sale of tickets went to the National Association of the Deaf Convention Fund. There were 250 persons more or less in attendance, many deaf having come from out of Baltimore. Between shows on the screen addresses were made by the following: Mr. Drake, Prof. Bjorlee, Mr. Faupel, and Mr. Jones, of Fanwood. For the benefit of the hearing friends there was provided music, and elocutions by Mrs. Chas. Moylan. At the conclusion a bouquet of Easter lilies was presented Prof. Bjorlee by Mr. Duvall in behalf of the deaf assembled in recognition of his efforts to secure auto rights for the deaf. Much credit is due to Mr. Duvall, chairman of the Committee for the successful outcome of the entertainment.

Baltimore News

The dreams of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Mooney have come true. Their landlord has rewarded their patience after waiting so long, and installed electric lights, papered the rooms, repaired the roof and painted parts of their house and made it more comfortable to live in.

Mr. Roland L. Stultz, who is an experienced photographer and printer, does odd jobs as an electrician wiring the dwellings of the deaf owners and installing the bells at very reasonable cost.

Mr. Josiah Carroll is a very studious pupil at the Maryland Institute where he takes lessons in art several nights weekly. The prize, he was awarded for the best Black-and-White sketch in the *Baltimore Evening Sun* Contest consisted of ten dollars. Shortly afterward another sketch of his appeared in the *Evening Sun* which struck us as better than the prize winning sketch.

The Frat Headquarters at Chicago, Ill., accepted the applications of Messrs. Herman Matthews, Luther Lewis and Lester Miner to membership in the Baltimore division. There are many young men in Maryland now who are eligible for membership. They should not miss the good opportunities which are theirs if they would join the great National Fraternal Society of the deaf which is the best and strongest of its kind in the world.

Little John Kuhn, Jr., disappeared from home for a couple of days last month and was returned to the happy and anxious parents by the police department of Annapolis. The mystery of the child's disappearance could not be explained.

The Silent Oriole Club held its annual smoker and initiation at its hall on Jan. 20 and six new members met the goat with courage. A fine buffet lunch was served and a wonderful time was had by all present. The Club will soon have its first social for the public. Watch for it.

Messrs. Abe Stern, Abe Omansky, John Fielder, Joseph Pfeiler, and Michael Cohen went to New York on Feb. 5th where they danced at the Annual Mask Ball of the Brooklyn Division. They visited the Fanwood School and the Lexington Ave. School which impressed them very much.—MICHAEL WEINSTEIN.

BASKETBALL

Mt. St. Mary's 25.**M. S. D. 27.**

A five-minute extra period was required for our Senior basketball team to turn in its sixth straight victory over the Mt. St. Mary's Preps on the Emmitsburg floor Wednesday afternoon, January 20.

The schoolboy fives battled neck and neck throughout the fray, neither showing a big advantage over the other. The half ended with both on even terms. The regular termination of the contest also found them on an even basis. The five-minute period produced two field goals for the winners and but one for the losers. Foul shooting told the real superiority of the our lads.

Mt. St. Mary's Preps.			Maryland State School		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Ruiz, f.,	3	0-2 6	Winebrener, f.,	3	1-1 7
Voeth, f.,	4	0-1 8	Deluca, f.,	1	1-1 3
Pinthlen, c.,	1	1-1 3	Downes, c.,	7	2-3 16
Parky, g.,	3	0-0 6	Friedman, g., f.,	0	0-0 0
Martin, g.,	1	0-0 2	Smith, g.,	0	0-0 0
Ross, g.,	0	0-0 0	Lowe, g.,	0	0-0 0
Totals	10	5-7 25	Totals	12	3-4 27

W. H. S. 28**M. S. D. 27**

The Washington County High School basketball team staged a clever passing game on their floor at Hagerstown, Jan. 22, to break a string of six victories held by our Senior quint. The contest was probably the best school boy fray seen on their floor in several years. Not until the final whistle sounded, was the victory awarded the home team, 28-27.

Maryland State School			Washington Co. H. S.		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrener, f.,	6	0-2 12	Staton, f.,	2	0-2 4
Deluca, f.,	1	2-2 4	Beyard, f.,	2	1-3 5
Downes, c.,	3	3-5 9	Roulette, c.,	7	0-10 14
Friedman, g.,	1	0-0 2	Dorsey, g.,	1	0-1 2
Smith, g.,	0	0-3 0	Robinson, g.,	1	1-1 3
Totals	11	5-12 27	Totals	13	2-17 28

Shepherds College 28**M. S. D. 25**

Our Senior basketball team lost a hard-fought and close game to the Shepherd's College five before a large crowd in our gymnasium Tuesday night, January 26 by the score of 28 to 25. The winners gained their victory by taking a big lead in the first half. The home team outscored the visitors in the second period, but could not overcome the lead of the West Virginians. Downes gave our followers a thrill in the second half, when he rung up five field goals and a foul. The visitors played a general good game with no outstanding stars.

Shepherds College			Maryland State School		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Johnson, f.,	5	2-5 12	Winebrener, f.,	3	1-1 7
Rider, f.,	3	0-1 6	Deluca, f.,	0	2-2 2
Van Meter, c.,	4	0-1 8	Downes, c.,	7	2-3 16
Lowe, g.,	0	0-0 0	Friedman, g.,	0	0-0 0
Thompson, g.,	1	0-1 2	Smith, g.,	0	0-1 0
Totals	13	2-8 28	Totals	10	5-7 25

St. John's 23.**M. S. D. 41**

Our Senior quint took a decided step toward the city amateur championship on Friday night, January 29, when they defeated the St. John's Athletic Club five, 41-23, on our floor. The Johnnies were overwhelmed in the second half, after they had kept close on the heels of our boys during the first period. The half ended 19-13. The individual work of Baer and Downes featured for the respective teams.

Our team took the lead from the start. The clubs battled on even terms for the first 20 minutes, but the second half proved more profitable for our quint.

St. John's			Maryland State School		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Lipps, f.,	3	2-6 8	Winebrener, f.,	6	3-4 15
Baer, f.,	6	1-4 13	Deluca, f.,	2	2-4 6
Hartman, c.,	1	0-0 2	Downes, c.,	8	3-9 19
Decker, g.,	0	0-0 0	Friedman, g.,	0	0-0 0
Crum, g.,	0	0-0 0	Lowe, g.,	0	0-0 0
			Smith, g.,	0	1-2 1
Totals	10	3-10 23	Totals	16	9-19 41

Kendall School 11**M. S. D. 76**

Our Senior team toyed with the Kendall Green School for the Deaf quint, of Washington, D. C. January 30. Our lads took the lead from the start and never was in danger. Downes, Deluca and Friedman swelled their scoring figures at the expenses of the visitors.

Maryland State School			Kendall Green		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrener, f.,	2	0-0 4	Dolan, f.,	1	0-0 2
King, f.,	2	0-0 4	Slaughter, f.,	1	0-0 2
Deluca, f.,	9	0-0 18	Curtis, f.,	0	0-0 0
Cramer, f.,	4	0-0 8	Wurdeman, c.,	3	1-4 7
Downes, c.,	14	0-0 28	Vorhees, g.,	0	0-0 0
Friedman, g.,	7	0-0 14	Craven, g.,	0	0-0 0
Smith, g.,	0	0-0 0	Morrow, g.,	0	0-0 0
Lowe, g.,	0	0-0 0			
Totals	38	0-0 76	Totals	5	1-4 11

Ox Fibre Co. 14**M. S. D. 78**

Our Senior basketball team administered one of the worst drubbings handed this season to the Ox Fibre Brush Company quint on our court Friday night, February 5. Our boys ran up 78 points against the visitors, with only 14 accredited to our victims. Downes, Deluca and Winebrener ran freely, especially during the second half. The losers presented a long list of substitutes without avail.

Maryland State School			Ox Fibre Co.		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrener, f.,	8	3-4 19	Kreh, f.,	2	4-5 8
Deluca, f.,	8	1-2 17	Shook, c.,	0	0-0 0
King, f.,	0	0-0 0	Robinson, f.,	0	0-2 0
Downes, c.,	15	4-15 34	Falk, f.,	2	0-0 4
Friedman, g.,	1	0-0 2	Wills, c.,	1	0-0 2
Smith, g.,	2	2-2 6	Phebus, g.,	0	0-0 0
			Yinger, g.,	0	0-0 0
Totals	34	10-13 78	Bell, g.,	0	0-0 0
			Totals	5	4-8 14

F. H. S. 14**M. S. D. 49**

Our Senior basketballists had little trouble in tramping the Frederick High School quint under foot on the high school court February 10, Wednesday night. Our forwards ran up 49 points, while the high school cagers were annexing 14 to their credit. The first quarter tells the sad story for the high school boys, the score being 22-1 at the end of that period. The contest was one-sided throughout.

Maryland State School			Frederick High School		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrener, f.,	7	0-1 14	R. Weddle, f.,	1	0-2 2
Deluca, f.,	5	2-2 12	E. Weddle, f.,	1	1-2 3
Downes, c.,	8	1-2 17	Roderuck, c.,	1	0-10 2
Friedman, g.,	2	0-0 4	Wentzel, g.,	1	0-0 2
Smith, g.,	1	0-3 2	Kreh, g.,	0	1-1 1
Totals	23	3-8 49	Totals	5	4-7 14

Georgetown Preps. 26**M. S. D. 51**

Our Senior quint had little trouble in defeating the Georgetown Prep. five at Garrett Park, near Washington, February 12. Our Silentees took a big lead from the start and numerous substitutes injected by the home team failed to halt the parade led by Leonard Downes.

Maryland State School			Georgetown Preps.		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrenner, f.,	6	0-1 12	Cun'gham, f.,	0	0-0 0
Deluca, f.,	4	0-2 8	Riley, f.,	1	0-0 2
Downes, c.,	14	1-1 29	English, f.,	0	0-0 0
Friedman, g.,	1	0-3 2	Henry, f.,	0	1-1 1
Smith, g.,	0	0-3 0	Dwyar, c.,	1	0-0 2
			Feighan, c.,	4	2-4 10
Totals	25	1-7 51	Weber, g.,	1	0-0 2
			Hock, g.,	0	1-3 1
			F. Dwyar, g.,	0	0-0 0
			McNamara, g.,	3	0-0 6
			Perossi, g.,	1	0-0 2
			Totals	11	4-8 26

St. John's 23**M. S. D. 24**

One of the best basketball games ever played in the city was run off between our Senior quint and the St. John's A. C. on the St. John's School court. So close and tense was the game that an extra five-minute period was required to decide the winner. The score stood 20-20 at the end of the second half. The contest was featured by the close defensive play of both teams. A majority of the points made were long ones. The offensive burdens for our team was carried by Downes and Winebrenner, while Lipps and Baer starred for the Johnnies.

Maryland State School			St. John's A. C.		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrenner, f.,	3	1-2 7	Baer, f.,	4	1-2 9
Lowe, f.,	0	0-0 0	Lipps, f.,	4	2-7 10
Deluca, f.,	1	2-4 4	F. Hartman, c.,	0	0-1 2
Downes, c.,	5	2-3 12	Decker, g.,	0	1-2 1
Friedman, g.,	0	1-2 1	B. Hartman, g.,	0	1-2 1
Smith, g.,	0	1-2 1			
King, g.,	0	0-1 0	Totals	8	5-12 23
Totals	9	6-12 24			

Gallaudet Reserves 18**M. S. D. 26**

Our Senior Basketball team turned in its seventh straight win on Friday night, February 19, on our court, over the Gallaudet College Reserves of Washington, D. C., 26-18. The Collegians took the lead and were still headed toward victory when the half ended, 10-9, in their favor. Deluca and Winebrenner got busy in the second half, however, and scored seven field goals to turn the tide in our favor. Downes played a guard game instead of his usual offensive play, scoring but three points. Rozelle McCall, our former star, played a good game at forward for the Collegians.

Maryland State School			Gallaudet Reserves		
	G.	F. Tp.		G.	F. Tp.
Winebrenner, f.,	4	2-2 10	Hirth, f.,	0	0-0 0
Deluca, f.,	5	2-4 12	Lau, f.,	0	0-0 0
Downes, c.,	1	1-4 3	McCall, f.,	3	1-1 7
Friedman, g.,	0	0-1 0	Wright, c.,	3	1-1 7
Smith, g.,	0	1-1 1	Reins, g.,	0	0-0 0
			Mlynarek, g.,	2	0-1 4
Totals	10	6-12 26	Totals	8	2-3 18

Miss Bickford, coach of the girls' team, has encountered several cancellations of games which have been quite discouraging. On the eve of a game February 19, the Martinsburg High telephoned they could not come. Several interesting games are, however, in store for the girls. Return games with Kendall School and games on our floor with Shepherdstown High, Frederick Y. and Hood College Freshmen will wind up the season.

Shepherd's College girls' basketball team handed the Maryland State School for the Deaf girls a decisive trouncing on Friday night, February 5, at Shepherdstown, W. Va., 58-10.

SOCIETIES**Faculty Lecture**

On the night of January 23rd Mr. Edward P. Gale gave the society members a lecture in Chapel. The title was "Florida, the Boom State." He drew a map of Florida on the slate and that helped the pupils to understand the lecture better. The lecture was very good and many interesting things were learned about the southern state. At the conclusion the president made some remarks after which the audience tendered Mr. Gale a rising vote of thanks.

"Sleeping Beauty" Dramatized

Saturday night February 6 the Ely Literary Society was entertained by Miss Surber's class. The play required so many characters that pupils of other classes assisted. The name of the play was "Sleeping Beauty." All players acted their parts well. The character cast follows:

The King	Irvin King
The Queen	Evelyn Townsend
The Wicked Fairy	Rose Friedman
The Youngest Fairy	Esther Dwyer

The Other Fairies**Cook****Maids****Courtiers****Men Servants**

Margaret Baumann
Audrey Oden
Katherine Bush
Edna Brewer
Dorothy Myers
Josephine Bushey

Henry Ross

Florence Schieber
Frances McCann

John Ross
Marion Cramer

Maxson Freeman
Brooks Russell
Wesley Nash

Miss Sterck Addresses Sunshine Girls

Saturday night Feb. 13th there was a meeting of the Sunshine Society in the Chapel. Miss Sterck, a deaf teacher from the Trenton New Jersey School for the Deaf, who came here on a visit told many interesting things new to the members. The best things which she talked about was "New Year's Here And Abroad". In that story she said the people in Europe did not keep New Year's Day as they do here in America. The girls enjoyed her talk and were sorry when it came to a close.

Nadine Fox, Sec'y

MOTHER OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

To Her the Father of His Country Owed His Masterful Character, His High Ideals and His Love of Freedom

Mary Ball Washington was a woman of independent mind, and her son became a masterful man, such as was needed to lead the armies fighting the battles for the cause of independence. She was a woman of convictions, and her son inherited from her his democratic tendencies. By shaping the character of her distinguished son as she did she rendered an important service to her beloved country in a time of crisis, and she became a factor in the age-old struggle for the rights of man. She not only helped win the cause of independence in her own day by giving it a public-spirited leader; the world owes her a debt of gratitude, because the love of democratic equality, which was a part of her very being, was fostered by her in her son. Because of Washington's indomitable will the colonial uprising against the tyrannical exactions of British royalty succeeded, and he owed that will power to his mother.

Washington was a part of his environment. He roughed it in the wilderness and assimilated to some extent the spirit of the hardy resourceful fishermen with whom he came in contact when he was a youth and a young man. At the same time he was a debtor to the ideals and aspirations of the better England that his forefathers left behind in the seventeenth century. His English ancestors sprang from the middle class; they represented the best instincts of the English people. The pioneer settlers in Virginia had something of the spirit that led to the migration of the Pilgrims. They prized freedom.

Obscure woman that she was, Mary Ball, who was married to Augustine Washington in 1731, aided in the movement that culminated in the War of Independence. She had the democratic spirit.

Mary Ball was a good woman. Her grandfather, Colonel William Ball, who came to Virginia in the middle of the seventeenth century, was a person of influence and some means. His son Joseph visited England and married an attractive English woman. They came to Virginia in 1695 and thenceforth he was a well-to-do planter on the Rappahannock River at no great distance from the Chesapeake Bay. The youngest daughter, Mary, was born late

in the year 1706. So she may be called a product of the Old World and the New. She had unusual advantages for a girl of her time, she visited her relatives in England, and wrote letters to the folks in the old home or to her kinsman living in London. She studied when she had an opportunity to get private instruction.

Mary was a young woman of rare beauty and dignity; she was above the average height, and of rugged physique. She was married at the age of twenty-four, and was an exemplary wife, and a mother whose noble qualities have been praised by historians. George was her oldest child, and she is said to have shown a special preference for him.

The father died when George was only eleven years old. Upon the mother devolved the task of looking after the wants of a large household and attending to the farm. She was deeply attached to her children, and consulted their welfare with earnest solicitude. She exacted obedience and regard from them, and allowed no familiarity. Her will was law with the children and the servants. This characteristic George inherited from her; he was a disciplinarian in the army.

Mrs. Washington was a character-builder. She impressed upon her son the importance of being truthful, and the father laid stress on the virtue of veracity. There was a strain of Puritan sternness and strictness in her make-up that showed itself in the son after he grew to manhood. He "took after" his mother in her heroic spirit. Hers was a busy life, a useful, to the last. She lived to the ripe age of eighty-two. That type of woman is needed today.

George was much attached to his mother, although he was never effusive in his exhibitions of affection. When he wrote her letters, he addressed her "Honored Madam." A portrait of the son taking a last farewell of his mother represents her with an austere countenance, showing love that needed not tears to express its depth. She was not given to much talk about the great man and his achievements. She simply said: "George was a good son, and I believe he has done his duty." She passed away August 25, 1789.—*Christian Herald*.

INTERMEDIATE PUPILS' ITEMS

Girls' Items

Last Saturday night a deaf teacher from New Jersey came here. She signed to us. Her name is Miss Sterck. — Edith Newton.

Tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock Miss Smith will go home. She will come back on Monday at five o'clock. — Mary Saylor.

Yesterday afternoon Elsie, David and I went to Miss McClave's room. She talked to us through the audiphone. We could hear. We liked it. — Esther Lowe.

Next Monday will be Washington's birthday. We will not go to school. We shall have a party in the evening. I think we will have a good time. — Regina Flook.

Yesterday afternoon I went to Miss Lee's room to sew. I will finish my new dress next Wednesday. I will enjoy wearing it. I like it so much. — Lucile Stinnett.

My sister Ruby is very sick. She has pneumonia. My mother was afraid Ruby would die. I hope Ruby is better now. She is 15 years old. I love her very much. — Ethel Howell.

John Barthlow's birthday was last Friday. He is seventeen years old. He invited some girls and boys to his party last night. They had cake and ice cream. They had a good time. — Yetta Summerfield.

Last Friday we made many Valentines. We made them with red and white paper, paste and crayons. We made them for our friends. They were pretty. We put them under the doors. We had fun. — Lucy Dixon.

Last week I received a box from my mother. She sent it to me from Florida. She sent oranges and many things. I should like to see the oranges on the trees. My mother says they look very pretty. — Geneva Cooper.

My sister Elsie Hall has not gone to school in Towson, Md., lately because she had measles. She will go back to school on April 1st. I am sorry for my sister. She wants to be a teacher, but she must go to Normal school. — Edna Hall.

On January 24th. I went to the hospital.

I had the measles. The nurse took care of me. She gave me some medicine. I did not like it but it made me better. After a while I got well again. I do not like to be sick. — Elizabeth Schafer.

One night I had a funny dream. I thought there were many large plum pies on the tables in the dining room. Geneva Cooper put one of the pies in her trunk and carried it home. Then I thought a white mouse ran around the room with a spider in its mouth. We were afraid and jumped on the chairs. I laughed when I woke up. — Elsie Bealmear.

One Saturday night Miss Surber's class gave a play in the chapel. The name of it was, "Sleeping Beauty." I liked it very much. It was pretty. Elsie Bealmear received a box from her grandmother yesterday. She opened it and found many things. I think she will have to write a letter to her grandmother and thank her very much. — Evelyn Wenner.

Boys' Items

February 12th was Lincoln's birthday. We studied about him in our journals. — Francis McFaul.

Last night our second team played basketball with the Frederick DeMolay team. Our team lost. The score was 15 to 21—Otto Selby.

The boy scouts can not go to the country next Saturday, because Mr. McVernon went to Pittsburg today. I am disappointed. — Nelson King.

My Uncle and Aunt sent a valentine to me. It was a large peach. On it was written, "To My Valentine." I received eight valentines. — Lawrence Brode.

I like to coast on my sled. My brother Roy goes coasting every morning in the yard. When the snow is gone he will be sorry. I will be sorry, too. — Howard Amberg.

I studied about Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. Both were fine men. Abraham Lincoln's nickname was "Honest Abe." What was George Washington called? — Byard Wootten.

THESE HAVE PATRONIZED US.

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