

DR. SANDERS' LETTER FROM INDIA.

Mission Stations Visited. Ceylon to be Visited Next.

(We give below the third letter from Dr. Sanders, which will be followed by a fourth, next week, and likely one or more after that. We are very glad to be able to present these very interesting and informing letters.—Ed.)

Dear Mr. Englar and readers of The Carroll Record:

As I recall, I closed my last letter with experiences at Bombay. Leaving there we headed for Guntur, the headquarters of our Lutheran India mission. We left Bombay on Saturday evening and arrived in Guntur, Monday morning. Guntur is situated on a branch road which required a change of cars at 4:00 A. M., and a wait until 6:30. Usually I do my best sleeping about that time. Hence I had anticipated that that early morning wait of two and one-half hours would be most tedious. It turned out quite otherwise.

When we left our train we were met by Mr. Gopal, one of Dr. Stroock's members at Guntur, with a bundle of mail and a note from Dr. Stroock. We went to the station refreshment room, ordered some coffee and toast and settled down to entertain ourselves with our mail. We were just well started when another train pulled in from the south, and Rev. Luther Slifer, dropped in on us. He had left home about 2 A. M. in order to give us this sweet surprise. We talked, missions, trip and Gettysburg interchangeably, and the time for our train came with surprising swiftness. Rev. Slifer went with us to Guntur.

At Guntur Dr. and Mrs. Stroock and half the College were at the station. Dr. Stroock's took us to their home and within an hour we were on our way seeing the various institutions of Guntur. I had a lifelong interest in Guntur. A neighbor in my childhood had gone there as a missionary—the Rev. Charles Schure. For fifty years I had been hearing of the work there. I always regarded it highly and thought it most worthy.

But somehow I had greatly missed understanding it. It is at least some three or four times as big as I had been thinking. The College has more students than Gettysburg and the Hospital can take care of 125 patients. I think that beats both Gettysburg and Frederick. And from Guntur as a center over a hundred congregations are administered. And there are four more such centers ranged around it. At Rajahmundry, 200 miles north, is another group of stations of similar size. It did my heart good to see the institutional strength of our mission, and to feel the force of Christian impact it has made as I learned from conversations with the Indians.

During our five days at Guntur, each morning was crowded with interviews on Dr. Stroock's veranda. These were mostly Collegiate students with a sprinkling of older men, both Christian and Hindu. During the afternoons, Dr. Stroock very graciously arranged a series of teas to which they invited people it was most interesting to meet. Once it was the missionaries, then the Indian members of the College Faculty, again prominent officials of the city (British).

At six each evening I lectured in the College Chapel. And at eight we had dinner with guests. This gave us the best opportunity to make the most of our short stay there. I was surprised with the ready understanding of English among the natives. My audiences numbered several hundred Indians and their attention indicated they were getting most of what I said. And I was most pleased at the keen way in which the students were going at the problems of India. Child marriage must be abolished; caste must be broken down; the economic prospect of the suppressed must be improved. These are big problems, but the youth of India is attacking them with vigor and intelligence.

I visited several student dormitories. The floors were concrete. (They avoid using wood in building in India on account of the white ants which destroy it very rapidly.) The furniture a grass mat like our own carpet matting for the student to sleep on, a small trunk or hand-bag for his clothes, and a little storebox for his books. They don't use chairs, hence have none. We were there in the dry season. They had their meals sitting squat on the grass in front of the dormitory. Their food, mostly curry and rice, is served on a plate with neither fork, nor spoon. They ball the rice with their fingers and pitch it into the mouth. I have a picture of about forty of them in action at lunch.

The College owns a farm where they give courses in agriculture. Here I got pictures of their crude wooden plows drawn by oxen, their crude spinning wheels and hand weaving looms with which they make their rough cloth.

It was our good fortune to be there for the graduating exercises at Andhra University, of which Andhra Christian College at Guntur is a branch. The exercises were held at Bezwada, twenty miles from Guntur. There were 125 graduates who received their diplomas very much as with us. The Governor of the District a Britisher, presided; the Chancellor of the University, an Indian, delivered an address on the policies of the University; and the Professor of Philosophy of the University of Calcutta, an Indian, made the graduation address. A very brilliant address it was. Everything

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AN ENFORCEMENT BILL

Has been Prepared and will be Presented Next Week.

A dry enforcement measure has been prepared and will be introduced early next week. It is said that it will be the same bill as was introduced in 1924 by David A. Robb, of Allegheny. The Baltimore Sun says:

"The last election, according to Mr. Crabbe, showed a desire of the voters of the State for an enforcement law.

"Arthur W. Machen, head of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, at the big rally of wets in Baltimore prior to the last election, declared that if Phillips Lee Goldsborough were elected Senator from Maryland it would mean that the people desired a State enforcement act," Mr. Crabbe continued.

"The people did elect Mr. Goldsborough by more than 37,000 majority, and we feel that this is sufficient mandate for the members of the General Assembly to act upon."

When reminded that it had been reported that Governor Ritchie said he would refuse to sign a dry-enforcement act which would include the entire State, Mr. Crabbe remarked:

"That is a bridge we will cross when we come to it."

He added that he had assurances that an enforcement measure stood a good chance of being passed by the Legislature, despite opposition from Baltimore city members."

A Renewed Invitation.

A few weeks ago The Record carried a letter signed, "A Taxpayer," who commented on the State Roads situation. Such letters, when worded carefully and with due regard to permissible statements, have a great deal of influence on public sentiment; and it is such letters that The Record has repeatedly invited, and does so once more.

No newspaper wants to monopolize public questions to the extent that it does not want any opinions, except editorial ones. The Record wants the opinions of its readers, or information, or suggestions, on topics that are of interest to the general public, and we will gladly give them space on our editorial page, if they come in before Wednesday morning each week. We do not so much care for them, as first page articles.

And right now, at the beginning of a new year, is a fine time to start. If there is any topic near your heart that you desire to give publicity; if your community should have some improvement which publicity might help develop; if you have an idea which might be beneficial to your community or county, write it out and send it in for publication.

Blymyer Found Guilty.

John H. Blymyer, pow-wow doctor, was convicted by a jury Wednesday night of first-degree murder. He was found guilty of killing Nelson D. Rehmyer in November, 1928. The verdict carries with it life imprisonment on the recommendation of the jury.

During the day the jury members had heard alienists testify that Blymyer had delusions of witchcraft for many years, had believed he was "hexed" and that the death of Rehmyer, the alleged witch, was the only thing that could pow-wow the charm away.

They had heard Blymyer on the stand in his own defense tell in a monotonous voice how he had been "hexed" so that he was unable to eat and sleep and how he had been told that Rehmyer, an aged farmer, who lived alone, was the agent who brought about the evils that had befallen him.

They had heard him say that he was "all right now that Rehmyer's hair was buried eight feet beneath the earth." He said that he had killed the farmer in an attempt to get a lock of his hair, with which the "hex" was to be removed from him and from each of his alleged accomplices, Wilbert Hess, 18, and John Curry, 14, who will go on trial this week charged with the same crime.—Balt. Sun.

Carroll Co. Society to Meet.

The Carroll County Society of Baltimore City, will hold its 10th. annual dinner on the 18th. instant at the Rennert Hotel. Hon. T. Scott Offutt, Chief Judge of the Third Judicial Circuit and member of the Maryland Court of Appeals, will make the chief address. Dancing will follow the speaking. A number of short talks will also be made by former presidents of the Society.

The officers of the Society are: George F. Frock, President; Lawrence W. Wooden, Vice-President; Mrs. Clayton H. Englar, Vice-President; William E. Moore, Rec. Secretary; Geo. R. Babylon, Cor. Secretary; J. Leonard Eckenrode, Treasurer. The Board of Governors: John T. Buffington, Mrs. A. Greenfield Daniels, H. Cleveland Logue, Dr. F. L. C. Helm. All Carroll Countians, descendants and friends are invited to the dinner.

A New \$3,000,000 Bridge.

Plans and specifications for the construction of the \$3,000,000 inter-county bridge across the Susquehanna river between Wrightsville and Columbia, are being completed by James Long, Norrisstown engineer in charge of the proposed prospect. They will be submitted to the county commissioners of York and Lancaster counties at a conference in Lancaster for their consideration and approval.

Would you climb the ladder of success? One of the best ways is to take one step at a time, testing the strength of it as you go along.

PROCEEDINGS IN STATE LEGISLATURE.

Both Bodies getting down to Routine Work.

The Senate committees were announced Tuesday. For our county Senator Geo. P. B. Englar, Agriculture and Labor; Amendments to Constitution; Civil Service and Election Reform; Contingent Expenses of Senate; Education; Elections; Printing; Public Buildings in Annapolis; Temperance.

The Carroll House members have committee assignments as follows: Barnes, Federal Relations, Agriculture, Public Buildings.

Kephart; Insolvency, Railroads and Bay, Immigration, Currency, Public Records.

Routson; Corporations, Claims, Judiciary and Buildings.

Bollinger; Currency, Hygiene, Inspections.

A number of bids have been introduced, among them a bill to exempt office fixtures of dentists when the value is not over \$500.00; and to repeal the declaration of intentions act. In the making up of committees, the House insurgents were deprived of every important post held at the last session. Most of the assignments were the same as held before.

Delegate Joseph, of Baltimore, introduced a resolution appointing a named committee to force an investigation of the Roads scandals, which would take the place of a committee already named by speaker Lee. The resolution was referred to the Committee on Rules which is expected to bring in an unfavorable report next week.

Real excitement is promised on the meeting of the House, on Tuesday, the unfavorable report of Rules Committee is made, and when Mr. Joseph will make a motion to have his resolution substituted for the unfavorable report. Some may vote against the motion because they fail to see the necessity for the appointment of a State Roads investigation committee, in view of the investigation of the subject by the Grand Jury.

Race Track Profits.

The Union News, published at Towson, Baltimore county, contained the following editorial last week, on race track gambling, as legalized by Maryland. It is worth reading and carefully considering from the standpoint of whether the state can afford to continue such a "profitable" business. It is worth while considering, too, that this is a criticism that comes from near the Pimlico track.

"A headline in the Baltimore Evening Sun announces that 'Race-Track Money Goes to Charities.'"

On reading the article we discovered that out of a total of \$3,959,162 gross receipts, the magnificent sum of \$7,785 was distributed to various charitable and religious organizations.

The article stated that the horses "earned" \$716,661.74 for the State of Maryland by way of taxes.

A considerable amount of the three hundred and seventy-six thousand dollars stolen from the State Roads Commission is said to have been diverted to the race-tracks. A "bookie" has just finished his term in jail for receiving part of the money.

A number of men are serving terms in the penitentiary for looting one of Baltimore's banks. A large part of that money also was diverted to the great gambling enterprises of the "Free" State.

As citizens of this Commonwealth we can rejoice that we have a ready use for all stolen cash. We can smile cynically to ourselves as with one hand we take the stolen money and with the other place our best customers behind the bars. That we are accessories after the fact does not seem to occur to the advocates of more and "better" race-track gambling in this Free and Easy State.

We Maryland folks are such good sports."

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court.

Monday, January 7, 1929.—Frank T. Shriver, executor of Emma J. Smith, deceased, settled his first and final account after returning inventory money.

Frank and Glen W. Bell, executors of George A. Bell, deceased, returned inventories personal property and money.

Charles E. Tillman, administrator of Charles W. Tillman, deceased, returned inventories personal property and money and received order to sell the former.

Tuesday, Jan. 8th., 1929.—Richard C. Miller and Myrtle Miller, administrators of Henry A. Miller, deceased, settled their second and final account.

C. Edward Stem, surviving executor of John H. Stem, deceased, settled his second and final account.

William E. Ritter and Upton F. Mehring, executors of Edwin H. Sharretts, deceased, reported sale of real estate on which the Court issued an order nisi.

David R. Rinehart, was appointed a co-executor with William E. Ritter, in the estate of Luther T. Sharettts, deceased.

The last will and testament of Franklin Baumgardner, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary thereon were granted unto Mehrl S. Baumgardner and Clarence F. Baumgardner, who received warrant to appraise personal property and order to notify creditors.

It's all right to write as you talk, providing you know how to talk right.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

The Situation Concerning the Charles Carroll School.

The deferred December meeting combined with a special meeting of the Board of Education took place on Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1928, at 10:00 o'clock, in the office of the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The lists of paid and unpaid bills as presented to the Board were approved and ordered paid.

The bids for the erection of the Charles Carroll School were opened and considered. The bids are as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Contractor and Building. Contractors include N. Claude Erb, Hoffman Bros., McCall & Watts, I. H. Crouse & Sons, Thos. Hicks & Sons, E. E. Stuller, Samuel Eline, O. H. Hostetter, Luther I. Sachs, J. B. Elliot, Allison & Harner, J. H. Allender Sons Co, J. B. Elliot, Allison & Harner, J. H. Allender Sons Co, Rider & Yingling.

The lowest bidders being N. Claude Erb and J. H. Allender Sons Company, the Board authorized them to receive the awards providing they can meet the conditions of the contracts.

Before the contracts can be let, it was necessary to arrange for the necessary additional funds from the County Commissioners over and above what is already in hand from the insurance on the building, the sale of closed school buildings, and the balance still in hand of the State Fund distributed by the Legislature from the sale of bonds with interest. The Superintendent submitted a complete statement of the total costs for the re-construction and equipment of the Charles Carroll school buildings to meet the demands for the growth at this point. In the case of each item there were bona fide bids for the same.

Table with 2 columns: Bid on Building, Bid on Heat Plant, Bid on Plumbing Plant, Time Clock, Equipment & furnishings, Electric Fixtures (est.), Replacement of the Library, Bond, advertising, etc, Architect's Fee—5% of cost of all parts of contract for which he provided, Total Cost, Amounts in hand.

(a) Insurance \$28,000.00 (b) Sale of Bldgs 2,346.00 (c) Bal. State Fd 12654.70 (d) In to Dec. 11 733.72 43,734.42

Amount required to complete contracts and equip the building for operation 21,563.30

Note: On Wednesday, Jan. 2, 1929, the committee composed of J. Pearre Wantz and M. S. H. Unger laid the total costs before the County Commissioners for the Charles Carroll School as requested by them on November 12th. The County Commissioners refused to make up the total difference. The Committee then requested the Co. Commissioners to make up the amount that would be necessary to complete the building disregarding the cost of equipment. This was also refused. As the Board feels that it is necessary to have a building of the dimensions outlined, and that it is inadvisable to construct a smaller building for the reason that the building that burned down was insufficient to meet the requirements of the situation, no action will be taken and the Charles Carroll School will have to continue being housed in very unsatisfactory quarters.

Requests for contributions to local funds raised for purposes indicated, were presented to the Board which contributed \$10.00 to the amount already raised in each case except in the case of Mt. Airy, according to the general rule, granted the contribution 10% of the amount raised which amounts to \$29.00.

Lineboro raised \$16.00; records and books; Mt. Olive raised \$11.24, playground equipment; Gather raised \$11.58, books; Reese raised \$15.00 primary chairs; Ebbvale raised \$10.00, globe; primary chairs; Retreat raised \$10.00 books; Lowe raised \$28.00, books and globe; Newport raised \$15.25, books and table; Park Hall raised \$27.95, books and equipment; Mt. Airy raised \$29.00, radio, books, time clock. The meeting adjourned at 12:00 o'clock.

New Things are "News."

Every member of every family in this community is interested in the news of the day. And no items are read with keener relish than announcements of new things to eat, to wear or to enjoy in the home.

Merchants of Taneytown have the goods and the desire to sell them. The readers of The Carroll Record have the money and the desire to buy. The connecting link is advertising. Give the people the good news of new things at advantages prices. They look to you Mr. Merchant, for this "store news" and will respond to your messages. Let us show you that "an advertisement is an invitation."

New Hospital for York.

Work has commenced in York, Pa., on a new \$1,200,000 hospital. The Consolidated Engineering Company, of Baltimore has the contract for the general construction of the new buildings. The site of the building is known as Springdale, where grading has already commenced.

STATE ROADS CASE IS DEVELOPING.

Indictments Returned Against Eleven more Persons.

The Record guessed a few weeks ago that before the State Roads financial muddle "got better," it would first have to "get worse." And now the disagreeable guess has the appearance of coming true, as eleven more men were presented by the Grand Jury, last Friday, and arrested, on charges involving approximately \$54,000 in addition to the previous \$376,000 shortage. Six of the men are roads employees, two are ex-employees, and three are non-employees. The charges are larceny, forgery and false representation.

The itemized list of bills receivable by the State Roads Commission, amounting to \$254,385, has been made public. The larger items are due from Baltimore city, counties and contracting firms, for work done and materials furnished. Some of the accounts date back to 1920 and 1921, mostly for automobiles sold to Commission employees. Some of the accounts are not yet due, and it is believed that practically all of the larger amounts are collectible, some of the charges for autos are against employers who have been indicted for thefts.

Among the charges are the following against Carroll county debtors: County Commissioners \$136.00 for rental of drums for bituminous material used in patching roads; Thomas, Bennett & Hunter \$176.00 for stone and tar furnished; the town of Woodbine \$743.27 for excess width of paving done in the town. Many like charges for other towns and counties are payable this year. There are approximately 1000 accounts in all, about 900 of them ranging from 25c to \$10.00, while 56 of the others aggregated \$240,000.

The list of purchases made by road employees, that entered into the fraud cases, was quite extensive. The records looked business-like, but the articles actually purchased did not. For instance, one entry was, "One Black & Decker bench grinder for Kingsville shop"; the actual purchase was "Grecian sugar and creamer with tray; bridge stand and shades." Another entry was "Ten F. W. D. Motor Blocks reground and fit, new pistons etc., weld and face one block"; the actual purchase was "Three radio sets complete, with aerial section and one year's service."

State's Attorney O. Connor is outspoken against the business methods used in handling bills receivable by the Commission; using as an illustration one account of \$3000. that has been running for 6 years without interest, or \$1080, lost by the state, the said account having been paid within six hours after newspaper publicity was given to it. And that the same held true of many other accounts, and that the state has been paying interest on borrowed money without collecting its own.

R. Bennett Darnall, one of the members of the State Roads Commission has resigned, and his resignation accepted by the Governor.

William W. Brown, the only Republican member of the Board also tendered his resignation, and it was accepted. Both resignations will go into effect on the appointment of their successors.

Payments made to the auditors to Nov. 30, total \$32,500. No estimate has been made of what the total cost will be.

Another step toward straightening out the accounts and affairs of the commission is expected to take place soon, when the special committee appointed by Governor Ritchie to investigate the commission hears Richard E. Tippet, attorney, who has asserted that he possesses knowledge hitherto unrevealed.

The matter of competitive bidding in awarding contracts also will be considered by the committee, of which John J. Nelligan is chairman.

The State Roads Commission, it is alleged, has violated certain provisions of the law by failing to ask for competitive bids on contracts over \$500. This practice, Mr. Tippet alleges, has involved contracts totaling more than \$1,000,000.

The Grand Jury on Wednesday returned 19 indictments against the 11 men presented in the Road Commission thefts. There may be others drawn into the case before the trial of the 11 is concluded. The next step will be the arraignment of the men in the criminal Court, which will be done as soon as possible.

Victim of Reckless Driving.

Mrs. Sarah E. Kemper, wife of Joseph Kemper, near Emmitsburg, whose death occurred on Christmas morning following an automobile wreck, has been adjudged by an Adams County, Pa., jury to have been the victim of the reckless driving of Frederick Krom, of Loy's Station.

The accident occurred in Maryland, near the Pennsylvania line, on the Waynesboro-Emmitsburg road, but as the death occurred at the Warner Hospital, Gettysburg, it came within the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania authorities.

Death was due to a fractured skull as Mrs. Kemper, her husband and two sons were returning from Christmas Eve Mass at Emmitsburg. According to testimony at the inquest, Krom, who was accompanied by Carl Byard, Ethel Kreitz and Eva Kreitz, of Emmitsburg, turned his car into that driven by Kemper, causing the latter's machine to upset.

MR. MACKALL RESIGNS

A New Roads Commission Appointed by Governor.

John N. Mackall submitted his resignation as chief engineer of the State Roads Commission to Governor Ritchie late Thursday. At the time this announcement was made the Governor appointed an entirely new commission with G. Clinton Uhl, of Allegheny county, as chairman.

The associate members of the new commission will be:

Howard Bruce, chairman of the board of the Bartlett Hayward Company and Democratic National Committeeman from Maryland.

John K. Shaw, Republican, Baltimore county, president of the Century Coal Company, of West Virginia, and a director of several financial institutions in Baltimore.

All have accepted the appointment, the Governor said.

The first meeting of the new commission is expected to take place Monday, when Governor Ritchie will submit to it Mr. Mackall's resignation. The commission may at that time select a new chief engineer to succeed Mr. Mackall.

Mr. Uhl, formerly an associate member of the commission, has been interested in public road building since 1904, although he is not an engineer. He will devote his full time to the chairmanship and will take charge on Monday. After spending several days here he will return to Allegheny county for about ten days to straighten out his private business affairs.

He then will begin the reorganization of the State Roads Department.

Governor Ritchie also announced that he expected to ask the Legislature to increase the chairman's salary from \$4,500 to \$6,000 a year "in order that it may be more commensurate with the vitally important work he will have to do."—Balt. Sun.

Hogs Killed in Wreck.

Ten thousand pounds of pork was scrambled at Phoenixville, Pa., on Monday into a writhing mass when two livestock cars on a freight train toppled over a Pennsylvania Railroad trestle on the Frazer branch. There were 455 hogs in the two cars, of which 175 were killed, fifty were so badly hurt that Dr. Robert Pechin, a veterinarian, ordered them killed and possibly forty others escaped and are roaming the country-side.

The hogs, consigned to the Weiland Packing Company, of Phoenixville, were being shunted onto a siding preparatory to delivery to the local plant, when the wreck occurred. The train crew intended "shooting" the two livestock cars a distance of about a quarter mile over a trestle. At one end of the trestle eighty empty passenger coaches stood.

The engineer gave the porkers a "shot" that proved too strenuous and the cars crashed into the passenger coaches at the end of the trestle and toppled forty feet into a ravine.

The loss to the railroad company was placed at \$20,000.

Lincoln Highway Improvements.

Two sections of the Lincoln highway are scheduled for replacement next summer by the State Highway department. At the present time the surface of these two sections is of macadam and the department plans to put down concrete pavement.

Between Guldens and New Oxford a section 4.6 miles in length will be replaced with concrete according to present plans. The Lincoln highway east from Gettysburg to Guldens, is improved with bituminous macadam. The portion to be improved next summer will connect with that pavement and continue to New Oxford.

The longest of the two is in Lancaster county, where approximately 12 miles of concrete will be laid.—New Oxford Item.

Keep the Body Fit.

How many persons realize that it is quite possible to be well fed and at the same time not properly nourished? In other words, too many folks satisfy their appetites but do not always supply their body needs. The one who plans the meals should bear in mind to be well nourished the daily meals must supply:

(1) Foods that will give the body energy to do its work. The best sources of energy and heat-yielding foods are sugars and starches and fats. Fat meats such as bacon are especially good sources of energy.

(2) The body must have building material for repair and for growth. This means that the daily diet must contain good protein and there is no better source of protein of high quality than meat.

(3) Minerals and vitamins are vital as body regulators. Fruits and green vegetables for minerals and for vitamins should be included liberally in the diet. Lean beef heads the list of the foods which are rich in iron. Milk is valuable for its minerals, especially calcium, and for protein and vitamins. Water also is a body regulator.

District C. E. Rally.

A District Christian Evening Rally will be held in the Keysville Lutheran Church, Friday evening, January 18, at 7:30. Rev. G. W. Ports, County President, will have charge. There will be several short addresses by county officers, special music will be provided by the Keysville Society, each of the Taneytown Societies will give a number.

An invitation is extended to all C. E. Societies of Taneytown, and the general public is invited.

We should never remember the benefits we have conferred, nor forget the favors we have received.