

# THE "TEN MILES SQUARE"

**HOW Many of Them Were Laid Out—They Are in Various Positions at Present Time, Some of Them Being Entirely Hidden—Washington Man Has Devoted Considerable Time to Uncovering the Stones—Has Photographed and Collected Data on Subject for Years—Some of the Stones Are Broken Off by Plow Shares—Others Are in Good State of Preservation.**

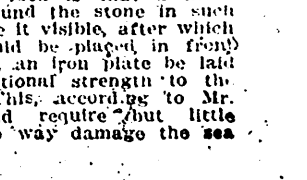
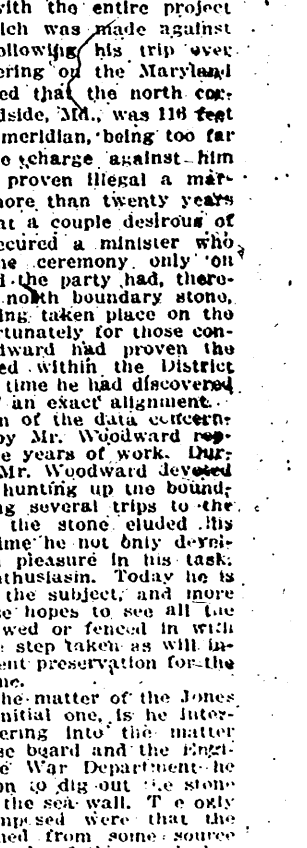
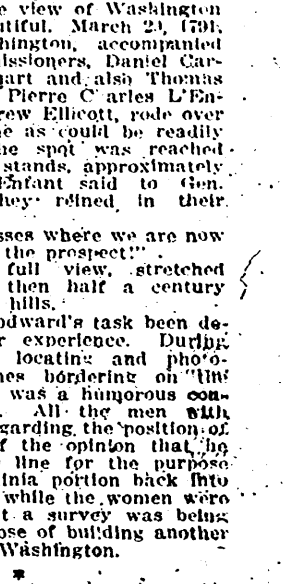
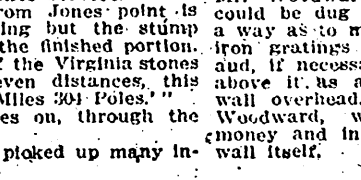
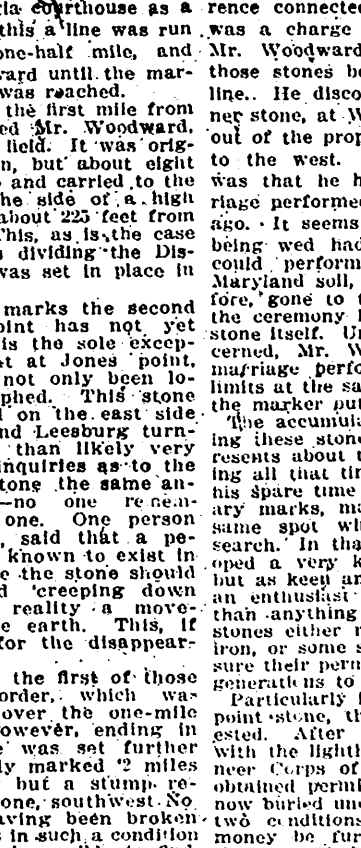
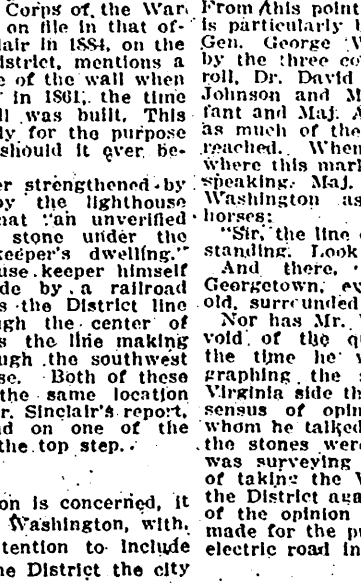
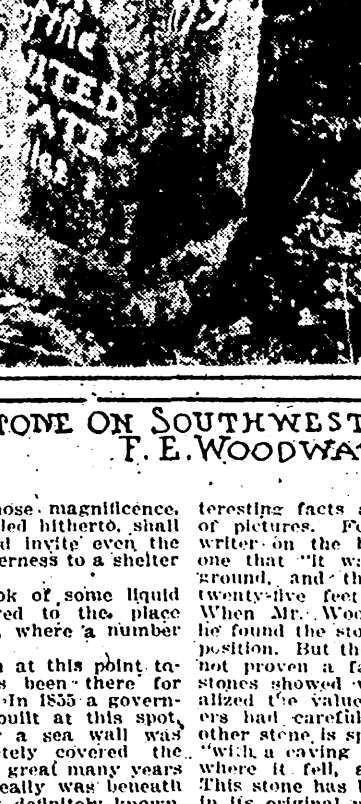
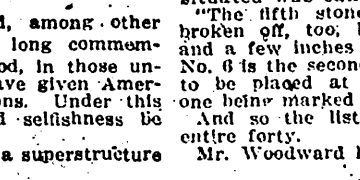
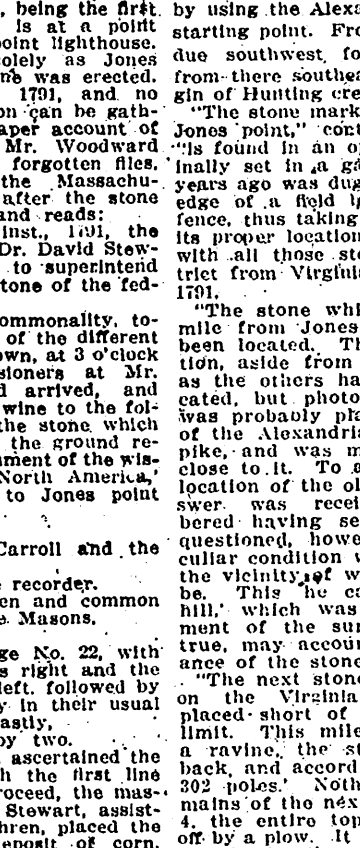
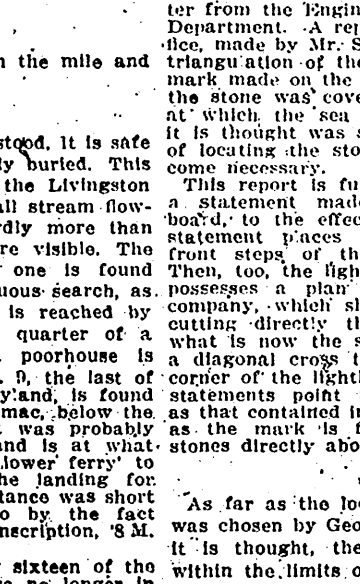
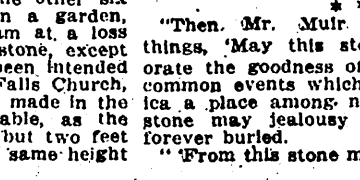
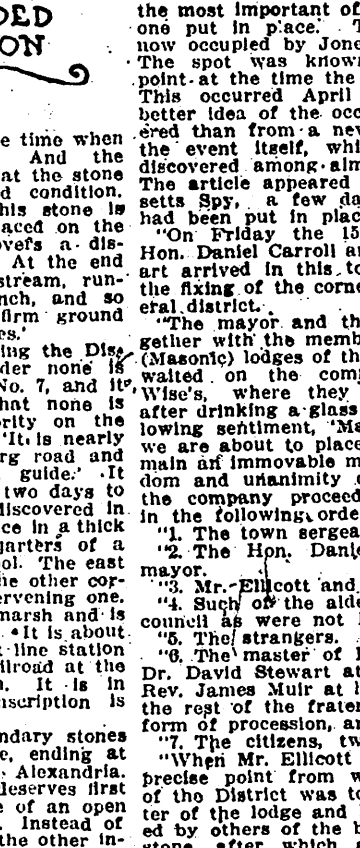
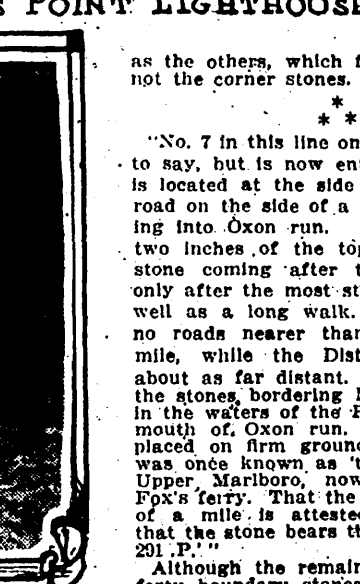
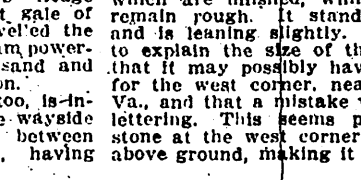
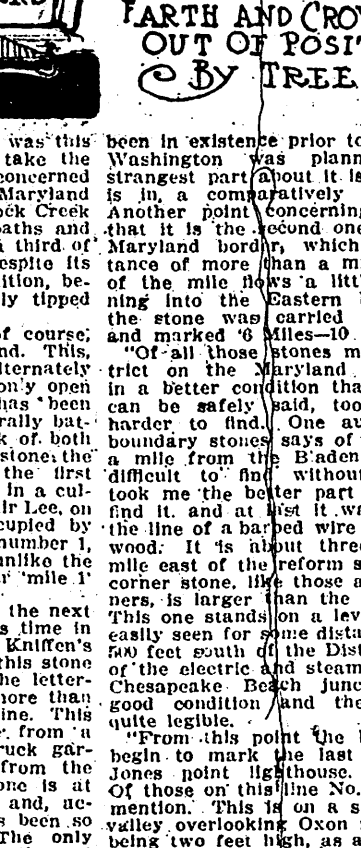
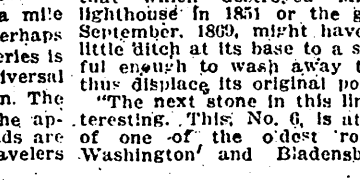
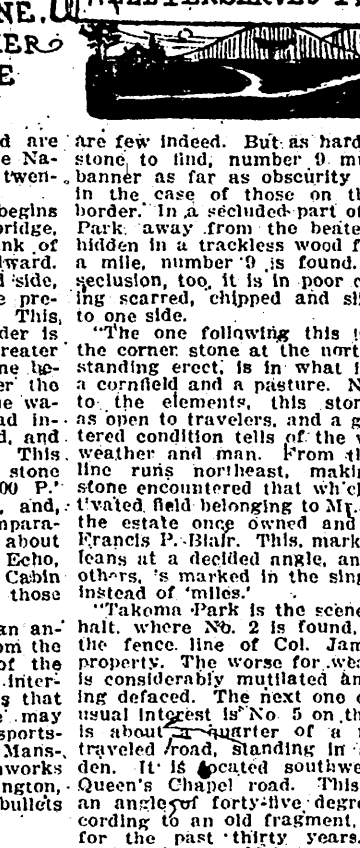
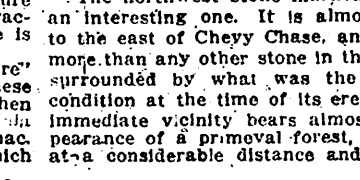
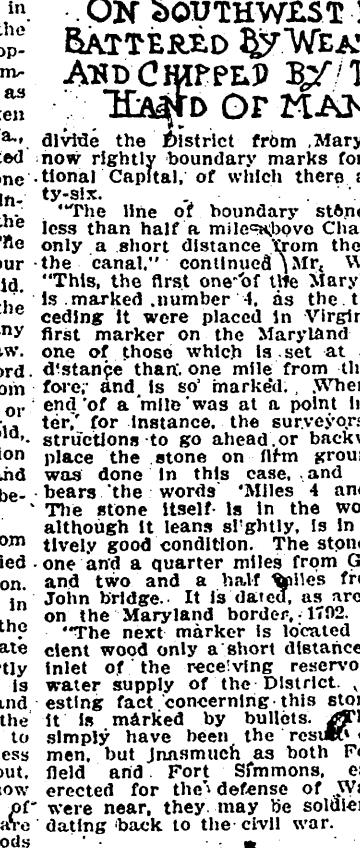
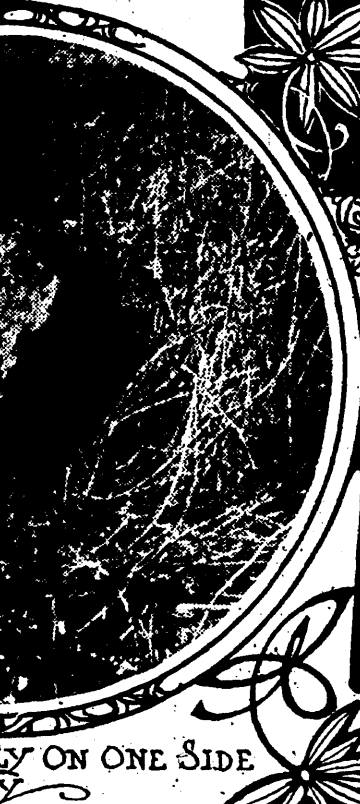
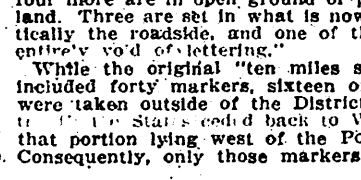
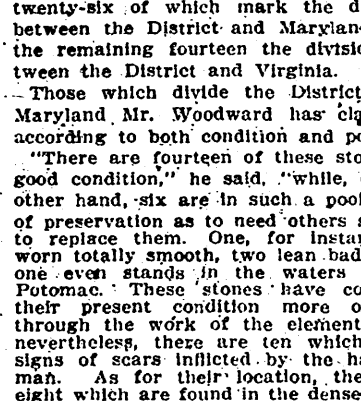
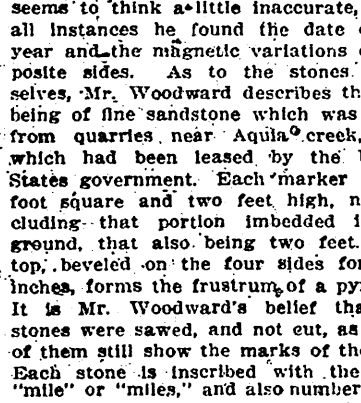
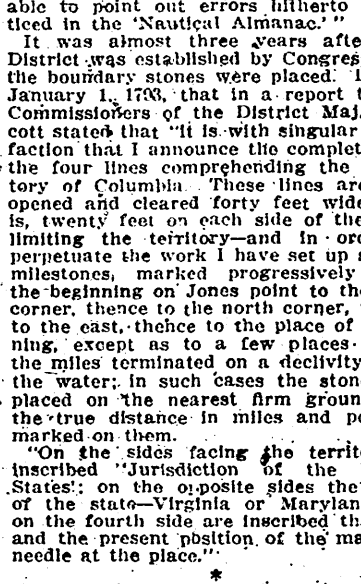
**SOME** of them partially destroyed, some half hidden under a growth of shrubbery, others buried beneath the moldering remains of others who have moved from their original position—such is the present state of these blocks, which were set up many years ago as evidence of the District of Columbia, or, in other words, the boundary markers surrounding the "ten miles square."

Erected about 120 years ago, these markers have withstood many and varied kinds of weather, but still stand, at least in many places, as mute testimony of the limits of the National Capital. Many of them are found only after a prolonged search, while others can be seen any time, provided the casual passerby knows what he is looking for.

One point in particular, said Mr. Woodward, regarding the boundary markers, is that a careful study of their position tends to destroy that popular belief regarding Washington being ten miles square. That is not only the case at the present time, but has never been. The United States survey, after making made through measurements, showed that that statement was only true as an approximate one.

Then, too, the distance between each of the boundary stones on the Maryland line, the distance between them being just one foot greater than expected. The closest to one mile is in the case of stones numbers 1 and 2 on the southwest line, the distance between the two corners, being 2206 feet. The other two corners are not exact either. The northwest line, the distance between the two corners, being 2206 feet. The other two corners are not exact either. The northwest line, the distance between the two corners, being 2206 feet.

"Banner," said Mr. Woodward, "was a free negro who was celebrated as a mathematician and astronomer. He not only attracted the attention of Washington and Jefferson by his wonderful ability, but, on account of his knowledge of the exact sciences, was more than once consulted by the nation's leaders.



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