Record Attendance At Shore Grocers' Meeting

Retail grocery store operators from Pittsville to Pocomoke, from Deal's Island to Dover, from St. Michaels to Salisbury, from Grasonville to Galena and every other town on the Eastern Shore of Virginia and the entire state of Delaware gathered at Cambridge Armory last evening for the Second Annual Del-Mar-Va Grocers' sponsored by The E. M. Skinner, J., Company, local wholesale grocery company.

Now an annual event under the sponsorship of the Skinner Company, which is today recognized as the leading wholesale grocery company on the Del-Mar-Va Peninsula, the Second Annual Del-Mar-Va Grocers' Night brought together upwards of 1,400 retailers, all customers of the Skinner Company

Beginning promptly at 7:00 o'clock the guests enjoyed their fill of several thousand sandwiches which ran the gamut from fresh pork to roast turkey, plus an inestimable quantity of coffee, milk, chocolate milk and other beverages, topped off with thousands of pies baked by the Cambridge Bakery.

Mr. E. M. Skinner, Jr., president of The E. M. Skinner, Jr., Company, officially welcomed the guests at 8 o'clock, and introduced Frank Robbins, Personnel Director of the Phillips Packing Company, who in turn introduced the speaker of the evening, Mr. Martin E. Goldman nationally known sales authority, who entertained the crowd with a brief discourse on the tremendous possibilities open to them in the business field as independent grocers.

Succeeding Mr. Goldman on the stage was an entertainment program featuring a troupe of stage stars from Philadelphia, who held the crowd in their seats for more than two hours with a series of acts comprised of harmony singers, a juggler, a magician, an accordionist, an Irish Dutch Comedian and a Scotch master of ceremonies, complete with his kilts, who sang and danced his way into the hearts of everyone present.

The armory was gaily decorated with numerous commercial displays featuring lines of food products distributed by the Skinner organization. Stan Hastings and his Marylanders furnished music throughout the evening.

A check-up this morning revealed that last evening's party was not only the largest gathering of retai grocers ever to be staged on the Del-Mar--Va Peninsula, but was one of the largest gatherings of its kind ever staged in the Eastern section of the United States, and attracted grocers from an area surrounding Cambridge for more than one hundred miles.

SPAN COMPLETION OCT. 1ST

Officials of the Tidewater Construction Company, of Norfolk Virginia contractors engaged in the erection of the new $1,000,000 Sinepuxent Bay highway bridge, at Ocean City, said last week they would be unable to complete the new span before october 1 of this year.

EAST NEW MARKET GRANGERS TO VISIT EASTON ON APRIL 17

The East New Market Grange met Friday night and accepted an invitation to visit Easton Grange on April 17th.

The attention of the group was also brought to the tax bill before the present legislature and the group voted to support the same.

A panel discussion was held on various county tax features and a social hour with refreshments followed.

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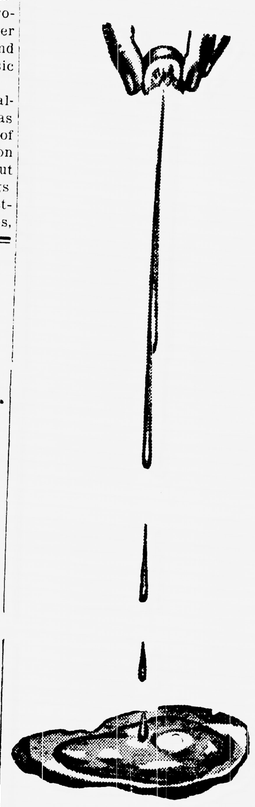

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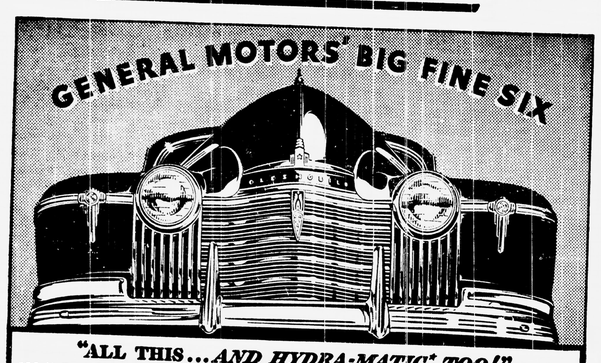

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