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CONTRACTS FOR ROADS.

Four contracts were awarded, while a dozen and a half or more bids were th-own out by the State Roads Commission at a special meeting Tuesday. In several counties all the bids were thrown out because of their being too high, and new bids will be readvertised for. The bids awarded were:

Wicomico County—Salisbury to Mardella Springs, 5¾ miles, to the County Commissioners of Wicomico county, at about $10,000 a mile.

Kent County — From the borough limits of Chestertown toward Kennedyville, 3¼ miles, to the Juniata Paving Company, at about $9,000 a mile, or $30,534.60 for all.

EXCITEMENT AT TOLCHESTER

Excitement followed an explosion of a moving-picture machine in the theatre at Tolchester Tuesday.

There were about 40 women in the theatre, which is a frame structure, all of whom were interested in a picture thrown on the screen. Suddenly there was an explosion, and the women, many of whom carried babies, rushed to the doors. Attendants calmed the excited ones, and no one was hurt, it is said.

Christ English Lutheran Church, of which Rev. Dr. L. M. Zimmerman is pastor, had an excursion at the resort and those in the theatre were from the church. After the excitement was over the machine was again put in working order.

Some who witnessed the affair said it was remarkable that some of the women were not seriously injured.

BETTERTON NEWS.

The M. E. Church of this place was the scene of a beautiful wedding Wedding Wednesday evening. The contracting parties being Mr. John Y. Crew and Miss Elsie Silcox. The wedding was performed by Rev. E. H. Collins assisted by Rev. J. Beauchamp. The church was decorated in greens, roses and potted plants. The bride was attired in a gown of white silk and carried a bouquet of white roses. Miss Hettie Crew, sister of the groom was maid of honor and wore white silk. The bridesmaids were Miss Green of Philadelphia and Miss Helen Crew, both wore gowns of light blue silk and carried bouquets of peonies. Mr. Archie Crew, brother of the groom was best man and Messrs. Horton Silcox and George Brice were ushers. Mrs. Charles Brice presided at the organ. The wedding was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Crew will reside in Betterton.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young and daughter, Miss Ethel are guests of relatives here this week.

Mrs. O'Neil and daughter, Miss Elsie, and Mrs. Gates, have been the guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Crew.

Mr. and Mrs. George Owens and grandson, Willie Owens are spending the week with their daughter, Mrs. Shinn at Atlantic City.

PREACHING will be held in Salem M.E. Church Sunday morning; no preaching at Union Church in afternoon, but at 8 P. M. Children's Day services will be held. Everybody invited.

ROCK HALL NOTES.

Mr. Lewin W. Wickes' manly statement of facts, published in the last issue of the NEWS was well received here. Even a number of the anti-faction thought well of it. It was considered timely and to the point.

Candidates and their friends of this section are putting in their home-stretch efforts now with unabated vim. Mr. Frank Wheatley believes the next four years will be most important ones in events pertaining to the Fifth district and especially to Rock Hall, and will require a commissioner of sound judgment and energetic push and the courage of his convictions and he is confident that he can meet the requirements. Mr. Wm. Clayton thinks the time has come for this district to have the honor of filling the Sheriff's office with a son of her own and he is before the voters for that honor—not for the emoluments of the office, for he's sacrificing a better income, nor for the honor simply, but, because he fully believes he can be a substantial benefit to the county. The young men are in thorough earnestness and are doing their level best in furthering their candidacy. If their opponents win out they will gracefully submit and do their utmost for the final success for the winners. Our ex-Treasurer, Mr. Walter Hadaway, and Charles Wood are making a strong pull, and Dr. Bealle is reveling in enthusiasm. The wish of the writer, who is an onlooker in primary contests, is that the best and most capable men may win out at the election next Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Casey are spending some days with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David J. Moore, at Elk Neck. They are also the guests of their former pastor, Rev. Warren Burr and wife at North East.

Mr. Frank Downey, of Baltimore, is spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Downey, of this place.

Mr. Joseph Kendall, of Baltimore, is the guest of his own parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kendall, and the parents of his wife, Prof. and Mrs. J. A. Greenwood.

Mr. and Mr. V. W. Kendall and daughter, Rebecca, visited the home of Mr. K.'s parents here on Sunday.

Mr. R. S. Crew has disposed of his store goods, fixtures and good will to a Mr. Hammond, of Baltimore, who moves here this week to take charge of his purchase. Mr. Crew, we hear, will go on the road as a commercial salesman. There is much regret among our people at Mr. Crew's retirement from the mercantile business here. All however, wish him large success in his new venture.

About 4 A. M. last Friday the porch of the dwelling tenanted by Mr. Richard Hodges was blown down. It was quite a shock to the family.

Rev. J. T. Richardson preached a most interesting pentecostal sermon on Sunday morning. In the opinion of many of his hearers it was the best yet. His text was "While I was musing the fire burned." Psa. 39: 3. Numerous responses were heard from the pews.

Next Sunday being the 1st Quarterly service of the current conference year, Dr. R. K. Stephenson will preach in the M. E. Church at night and conduct the Quarterly Conference on Monday morning. Dr. Stephenson being the new Dist. Supt. of the Easton District. No doubt a large assembly will greet him on his first appearance here.

The R. H. baseball team carried off the honors of a double contest here on Saturday afternoon. Their opponents being Chestertown and Worton teams.

Mr. Samuel Joiner was taken suddenly ill on Sunday while on the shore of R.H. creek and was conveyed to his home. He is at this writing somewhat improved.

Mr. R. B. Willson lost a valuable servant by death this week. She was a white woman and foreign born.

STILL POND ITEMS.

Mrs. J. H. Beauchamp and Mrs. Beauchamp, Sr., and Mrs. George W. Atwell spent Monday in Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. Price Stanley and little daughter spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stanley.

Mr. Edward Ford and son Clarence, spent part of last week in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bayard, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. John Bennett.

Mr. Laurie Hackett has accepted a position with Mr. Elwood Whaley, blacksmith, Chestertown.

Miss Laura Hague is spending sometime with friends in Kennedyville.

Don't forget our Children's Day Sunday evening. A splendid program is being prepared and don't fail to be present. In the morning our pastor will preach from the following text: "Education and Zeal."

The Still Pond and Kennedyville baseball teams played two games here this week. On Monday the Still Pond boys beat, score 10 to 11 in favor of Still Pond. On Tuesday the score was 9 to 10 in favor of Kennedyville. Come again Kennedyville team.

The Epworth League social was held on Thursday evening at Mrs. L. Hickman, Betterton. An enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jewell and Mrs. Maggie Hackett spent Wednesday in Easton.

Rev. E. H. Collins, our ex-pastor, visited our town on Tuesday and was a welcome visitor as he has made many warm friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bostic and little son, of Philadelphia and Mrs. Clarence Newsome, of Betterton, were guests of Mrs. Charles Severson.

Rev. J. H. Beauchamp visited Baltimore during the week.

Mrs. Mattie Gale has been on the sick list.

Miss Merrill Beauchamp spent several days with her sister at Townsend.

A NEW LINE of books and other things suitable for commencement presents at J. H. Sides jewelery store.

GREAT crowds have visited the Hub Millington it is estimated that over eight hundred and fifty people have visited their store on Saturday alone. Low prices is doing the work.

A. COHEN, the Sandy Bottom merchant, has just had installed by Mr. H. D. Orem a complete lighting plant for his store and residence; he also cooks by it. Owing to this improvement, Mr. Cohen has not been able to get his new adv up for the NEWS readers, but look for it next week.

SLIPPERY ROBBER CAUGHT

The House Breaker And Thief Caught in Branch Near Chestertown by Sheriff Hadaway And Deputies—A Long Chase.

Saturday night the house of Mr. H. Clay Lusby, near Chestertown, was robbed of a double-barrel shot gun and some clothing. Mr. Charles Willis' home was also robbed a few days previous.

Monday night the home of Mr. Romie McCauley, on the Biddle farm, near Chestertown, was entered and a pistol and $11 in money carried off. The thief entered the bedroom of Mr. McCauley blew out the light and took the money from the pants pocket of Mr. M. The latter was aroused by the thief and awoke in time to see his retreating form as he went down stairs. Early Tuesday morning Sheriff Hadaway was notified and together with Deputies Lockerman, Bates Hendrix, Wm. McKee, Jos. Lambert, J. E. Ferguson, J. Hughes, John Nickerson, T. H. Topping, R. McCauley, W. Boone, two college students and others joined in the exciting search for the robber.

Deputy Lockerman first saw the negro back of the Crow farm, near Stewart road and fired toward him. This scared the negro and he made for the branch. Sheriff Hadaway with two college students took the branch and followed the darkey's trail until he was ran out way down past Topping's mill, where Wm. McKee and Chas. T. Willis caught him. Mr. Boone had scared the negro out of the mill pond thicket while hunting for cows and it is hard to tell who was most scared. Prof. Topping rendered valuable assistance in putting officers on the trail but Sheriff Hadaway says the two college boys who waded through mud and briars were the real "stuff."

When caught the negro had a pistol on him every chamber being full. He also had a gun but threw it away soon as the chase begun. He says he was under cover one time when the Sheriff passed him and that the "Sheriff went through that marsh like a duck." He gave his name as William Brown but has a number of other names. He acknowledged to breaking in the homes of Messrs. E. Thos. Massey, Earle Nicholson, H. C. Lusby, Chas. Willis and others. He had hid a gun and some eggs in the old house near the mill and said he did not aim to work anywhere. He came to Kent from Baltimore, has served a long term in prison but claims never to have shot anyone.

Louis Crippen, another well-known criminal, was arrested Tuesday night by Deputy Lockerman. He had two bags full of clothing stolen from various places. He is the man who stole Mr. Martin's meat.

MILLINGTON ITEMS.

The Masonic order of Centreville gave a banquet at that place last Thursday evening. Those who were present from this town were: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mallalieu, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hurtt, Mr. Wesley Moffett, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Ahern and Miss Addie Vansant.

Last Monday being Decoration Day, the P. O. S. of A. members turned out in full bloom, marching to the cemetery followed by a crowd of small children carrying flags, where there was singing and prayer by Rev. C. W. Moore.

The clerks of Millington and the strong Galena team played one of the fastest ball games of the season at Shibe's Park Wednesday, the score being 14 to 6 in favor of Galena.

Miss Mary A. Ahern came home from Baltimore Saturday evening. She will spend her vacation here.

Mrs. B. F. Vansant is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Phillips, in Wilmington, Del.

Quite a number of our sports took a trip last Sunday in a gasoline yacht to Chestertown, and reported having a fine time.

Mr. C. M. Hurtt spent a few days in the city last week.

Mr. T. P. Vansant, from Delaware, was the guest of his parents at the Central Hotel Sunday.

Miss Mitchell, after spending a week with friends at the Central Hotel, has returned to her home in Philadelphia.

Monday night somebody broke into the railroad freight house and got a box of liquor and a box of drugs. The empty boxes were found the next morning a few yards from the house. No clue has been discovered yet.

Miss Clarice Benson and Miss Marian Lockerman spent Sunday with friends in New Castle, Del.

Miss Nettie Wyatt returned to Philadelphia Tuesday after having spent two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Martha Wyatt.

Mr. John Phillips, of Wilmington, Del., spent Sunday with his parents in town.

Mrs. Isaac Hollins has returned home after spending a week with relatives in Laurel, Del.

We shipped from our railroad station last week 50 crates of strawberries and 75 crates of asparagus.

The Millington boys were badly defeated in a very poorly played game of baseball here last Wednesday by the score of 24 to 6. The Millington players consisted of Rash ss, Hickey 3b, Wallen p, of the strong Barclay team; Wilson 1b, G. Davis rf, A. Price lf, three of the best players of this town; C. Wheatley, 3b, of Chestertown, and the great catcher Tyler, of the Frostburg team; also Allen, of Laurel first team, played cf. His batting was the feature of the game.

The Junior League will entertain the Senior League next Tuesday, June 8, at the M. E. Church at 8 o'clock. The title of their program will be "An Evening with the Bible." The little tots will have a Bible Bee. A good social time is anticipated. Refreshments will be served at the close of the service.

OWENS & Co. have the finest line of Betterton souvenir postals in the county. Don't fail to call and look them over.

Died.—Edward B. Walls, of Church Hill and an extensive Queen Anne's landowner, died at his home Monday evening after a lingering illness. He had returned from a Baltimore hospital last week after undergoing treatment there, but had a sudden relapse. He was 68 years old and was the son of the late Henry Walls, of Kent county. He was a staunch Democrat and hearty advocate of the party's principles. Besides a widow, Mrs. Louise Walls, he is survived by a son and four daughters, viz: Harry E. Walls and Misses Bertie and Clara Walls, of Church Hill; Mrs. Emma Roe, of Price, and Mrs. Bowen, of Richmond, Va. He has a number of other relatives throughout the county.

[Other deaths are reported elsewhere in this issue]

Who Can Beat This?—Archie Fields, a farmer of Queen Anne's, has 9 ewes and sheared 76 pounds of wool off of them and sold it for 31 cents per pound to Mr. J. E. Anderson, of Church Hill. The wool of the 9 ewes brought $23.56.

How is Your Eyesight?

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EYESIGHT SPECIALIST

WILL BE IN STILL POND, ON

SATURDAY, JUNE 5, 1909

If you suffer with headache, nervousness, or troubled with your sight, call and see me and I will examine your eyes free of charge. I straighten cross eyes without the use of knife or drugs.

Respectfully,
DR. DAVID BLOCK.

P. S.—I will advertise by circular at which hotel I will be.

Cheap Kent County Farms

One of 188 acres, 2 miles of Chestertown; good buildings. $30 per acre.

One at Fairlee, 176 acres; good, new buildings. $30 per acre.

One at Chesterville; 400 acres, good buildings. $30 per acre.

One at Worton 76 acres; good buildings. Price $4200.

One at Lynch of 160 acres, fine land for $9,500.

One at Fairlee; 50 acres of good land; good outbuildings. Price, $2600.

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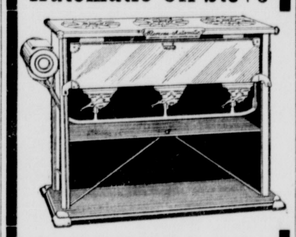

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We endeavor to serve fine Soda, and the favor shown our Fountain is evidence our efforts are appreciated.

Come and bring your friends.

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50 Sets of DINNER DISHES to be Given Away Absolutely Free to Our Cash Customers.

These Dinner Sets are composed of 42 pieces. With every 10 cent cash purchase the purchaser is entitled to a ticket, each ticket being numbered. At the end of each book of 2000 a sealed number will be opened, and the lucky person gets the 42-piece dinner set ABSOLTTELY FREE

Shoes for Children AT 1/2 PRICE

Saturday, May 29th, and June 5th

We are not an exclusive shoe store, but you can get better shoes at the same money. EVERY PAIR GUARANTEED. To let the public generally know more about the great values that are to be had here and the wearing qualities of our famous Monogram Shoes, we are cutting the price just one-half for two days only. We know if you ever try a pair of them you will not let your children wear anything else.

$ .75 Children's Shoes	37½c
1.00 Children's Shoes	50c
1.25 Children's Shoes.	62½c
1.50 Children's Shoes	75c
1.75 Children's Shoes	87½c
2.00 Children's Shoes	$1.00
2.25 Children's Shoes	$1.12½
2.50 Children's Shoes	$1.25

Fine Corsets

We handle the celebrated Thompson's Glove Fitting Corsets and the Royal Worcester Corsets, in all shapes and styles to fit every figure and shape, at prices from 50c to $3.00.

Ladies' Tailored Suits

We are closing out our entire line of Spring and Summer Suits regardless of cost. A good showing. Come and look them over.

Tub Skirts

We have the best assortment of Ladies' White and Striped Wash Skirts on the Shore, with the prices the lowest.

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THE LADIES' STORE

Chestertown, - - Maryland

Wire Stretchers

Those having Wire Stretchers belonging to us and are not using them bring or ship them to us at once, as we are having calls for them every day.

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THE SHOE STORE.

Of Interest to You

One of our customers from upper Kent Co. came into our store a few days ago, and before going home, bought for each member of his family a pair of shoes or oxfords, after paying for them, he said, "I always like to come to your store to buy my shoes, because with such a large assortment of shoes as you show, I am able to get just what I want, and it always pays me, because of the superior quality of shoes I get from you."

Would you experience the shoe satisfaction of this man? Then do likewise—get a pair of our shoes or oxfords, and learn through actual test that it pays to buy shoes at "THE SHOE STORE."

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