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LIGHTNING HITS HOUSE TWICE

Home of Mr. Ora Bowdle Was Struck Twice In Sunday A. M. Storm

STORM WORST IN HISTORY

What turned out to be one of the worst storms ever witnessed by the residents of Denton started about 11 p. m. Saturday night, July 4th with a rain. As the rain continued the storm grew worse until about 12:45 the thunder and lightening became almost continuous for about 40 minutes. The clouds hung so low that it seemed they were just above the house tops and the continuous crashes of thunder and the brilliant streaks of lightning made every one nervous.

During the worst part of the storm the firemen were called out by the siren on the engine, the electricity having gone off and it was impossible to sound the big siren. The call came from the home of Mr. Ora Bowdle on East Market street.

It is an old saying that lightning never strikes the same spot twice but it came very close to the same spot that night for it struck the front and later the rear of this home, starting two fires. The first fire, however, was extinguished by Mr. Bowdle and his sons before the engine arrived, and very little damage was done by the fire. The building is covered by insurance.

While the firemen were at this fire they saw the reflection of the fire at Andersontown and went down town to find out if a call had come in but none was reported and they went back to Bowdle's. This caused the information to go around town that a second call had been made.

BIG TURKEY FLOCKS PUT OUT IN KENT

Women Raisers Aided by the Early Dry Weather Period

YOUNGSTERS GET START

Chestertown, July 8—This is the season of the year when farmers wives are bending every energy to get their young flocks of turkeys started on a healthy career in order that there may be a large crop of Thanksgiving and Christmas birds on the market.

Many young and promising flocks have recently been put on the yards, some of which number as many as 100 birds, and the greatest care and attention is necessary at this time to see that the flock is kept safe from disease and marauding dogs and other animals.

During the last three years much valuable information has been gained by the women of the county on raising turkeys, considered to be by far the most delicate and difficult of all fowls to brnig to maturity.

The county farm bureau has done much to deveolp a scientific knowledge of the work and several county women have become experts in the art of raising large flocks.

It has been estimated that if all the young turkeys put out in this county at this season could be raised it would increase the wealth of the county by thousands of dollars, but as is so often the case, thousands of birds are lost by disease and not a few become the prey of animal enemies.

Mrs. Harold M. Baker, probably the most successful raiser of the birds in the county, has conducted a campaign of education among the farmers' wives during the last year with a view to stamping out disease and learning the art of rearing the birds.

The present dry season is believed to be conducive to raising large flocks and if the diseases which in past years have played havoc with the young stock can be controlled, there should be a large yield in the county this year which will pay a greater return than a whole tillage of wheat or corn.

The disease which kills thousands of young turkeys in the county every year is "blackhead" but breeders are learning to control the disease by the use of proper feeds and tonics.

IMMANUELS LUTH. MISSION

There will be German Lutheran services held at Christ's church in Denton on Sunday next at 2:30 p. m. All of those who manage the German language are cordially invited to attend these services. Herman Drews, pastor

W. C. T. U. to Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held Monday evening the 13th, at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss May L. Fisher.

VACATIONS

By THE CRACKER

Vacation time is here for sure; now mountain breeze and surf calls you with deceptive lure to wander from the hearth, to leave the cares of daily strife for so-called recreation, where "skeeters", fleas and frogs are rife, and eat outlandish rations. To broil upon some sandy beach, dressed only in a smile, or on some crag where eagles screech, the passing time beguile. Where nature never changes and the sea booms on for e'er, and the barren granite ranges stand forbidding, dark and drear, where the natives fish for suckers, and the suckers take the bait where the stuff you drink will pucker if it don't intoxicate; where the roll you thought sufficient, soon will dwindle down to nil, and you hock your whole edition to liquidate your bill.

CARNIVAL TO BE HELD SEPT. 7-19

Denton Volunteer Firemen's Carnival has been set for September 7th to 19th. These dates are later than usual but the necssary arrangements could not be made this year for an earlier carnival. A big time is being planned and every one will want to help in one way or another for the Denton boys have surely shown their willingness to assist wherever needed in case of fire during the past year.

SCHOOL BOARD ADVERTISES FOR TRANSPORTATION

In today's issue, the County Board of Education is advertising for bids on bus and wagon transportation of pupils.

As complaint has been made on account of unsatisfactory busses that have been used on some of the routes, the Board is making an effort to standardize the size and quality of busses that are to be used in order to give more satisfactory service.

To justify the contractors having a better bus, it is the intention of the Board to continue for at least two or three years the agreement with the person who renders satisfactory service, unless the route is necessarily changed or discontinued.

While routes for both elementary and high school pupils are advertised, a lack of funds may necessitate the Board's elminating the routes for high school pupils, the elementary ones alone being required.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF SHORE TO GATHER

Easton Lodge Will Participate In Annual Reunion At Cedar Grove Next Week

The second annual reunion and picnic of the lodges of the order of Knights of Pythias of the Eastern Shore will be held at Cedar Grove, near Cambridge, on Thursday, July 16. Star of the East Lodge No. 106, of Easton, is expecting to be well represented at this affair, the first of which was held last year in August, and will be an annual event.

The program will start in the morning as soon as the Pythians arrive and will continue all day. Speaking, games and athletic events will be held and prizes offered for the best band. The Grand Chancellor of the order in the State, Col. Nelson W. Russler, of Cumberland, will deliver an address, as will B. Mercer Hartman, Grand Inspector, and possibly some other Grand Lodge officials.

A committee from Easton lodge is working with the general committee from Salisbury lodge, No. 56, and it is believed that this event will be one of the largest gatherings of Pythians ever held on the Eastern Shore.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

At various times we have been giving special sermons for children; object sermons, illustrated sermons and story sermons to interest and teach the younger part of the congregation. Needless to say that the older folks are always interested and anxious to hear these special children's sermons. But Sunday evening, July 12, we expect to give a special story sermon for adults and older people. You will want to hear it. Be present at 8:15. Yes come at 7:30 for the C. W. program. The weather is warm. Some say, "Too warm to go to church." We say, "The sermon will be short. Leave your coat at home, let's be comfortable, but come."

First and Exclusive Pictures of California Earthquake

Here are two remarkable pictures, sent by telegraph, of the ruin in Santa Barbara, Calif., caused by the earthquake. At the left, the photo shows the ruins of the famous Arlington Hotel, almost completely wrecked. At the right—a view of State Street—principal business thoroughfare—as it looked one hour after the quake.

CORONER'S JURY ABSOLVES RAILROAD

Trainmen Freed from Responsibility for Accident Which Killed Mrs. Winter on Sunday

Salisbury, July 7—The crash of an automobile and a Baltimore, Chesapeake and Atlantic Railway passenger train Sunday afternoon in which the former was completely wrecked, killing one person and injuring five others was declared "accidental" by a coroner's jury last night. The railroad company was also exonerated from any blame for the crash.

The verdict was returned after the jury had investigated the death of Mrs. Guy L. Winters of Baltimore, wife of the operator of the automobile. The five injured were Baltimoreans and are expected to recover.

Sudden application of the brakes was made with such force, John Bennett, fireman of the locomotive testified, that the engine and tender bucked several times and fearing the entire train would overturn he leaped from the cab before the train had been brought to a standstill. Charles Turner was the only member of the Baltimore party whose injuries permitted attendance at the inquest.

NEW CAMBRIDGE BUS LINE ROUTE SOUGHT

Would Connect With Claiborne For Early Annapolis Ferry

PRESENT ROUTE DEVIOUS

Cambridge, Md., July 5—Baked by practically the entire community that he serves, Mr. Lonie Slacum, of Cambridge, is seeking a permit from the Public Service Commission to establish a bus line to connect Cambridge and Claiborne in time for the early ferry to Annapolis.

As matters now stand, passengers from Cambridge in the morning hours must leave by train or bus to Hurlock, the junction of the B. C. and A., and Cambridge and Seaford roads.

From that point they may go to Claiborne by bus of the Shore Transit Company, or they may go to Easton by train and there take a gasoline car to Claiborne.

Passengers from Claiborne for Cambridge now take the bus of the Shore Transit Company to Hurlock and thence come here by train, if they reach Hurlock in time, but it not infrequently happens that they miss connections and are forced to remain at Hurlock until night or hire a machine.

Slacum's application is said to be opposed by the Shore Transit Company, operating a bus between Salisbury and Claiborne, because of the alleged competition that would exist over part of the route.

A hearing in the matter will be held on Tuesday by the Public Service Commission.

Backers of Slacum here point to his long record as a carrier without accident to a car or injury to a passenger.

July Clinics

Baby clinics will be held in July at Greensboro at the high school building at 9:30 a. m. on July 14th and at Denton at 2:30 p. m. of the same day at the county nurse's office.

In Dorchester county the clinic will be held at the Cambridge hospital at 9 a. m. on July 18th.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BETTER LAST YEAR

Following is a list of all the schools in Caroline county showing the average attendance of pupils for the scholastic year 1924-1925. While the average attendance was a trifle better than the preceding year there was no marked improvement in attendance by any of the schools.

Marydel, 16
Henderson high, 40
Henderson Elementary, 91
Bee Tree, 27
Goldsboro, 80
Baltimore Corner, 24
Moore's 56
Greensboro High, 99
Greensboro Elementary, 227
Barcus, 22
Bridgetown, 21
Garey's, 27
Camp Grove, 18
Burrsville, 31
Lidens, 19
Central, 24
Denton High, 140
Denton Elementary, 273
Oaks, 26
Williamson, 16
Williston, 25
Willoughby, 16
Andersontown, 25
Hickman, 29
Harmony, 55
Smithson, 42
Preston high, 64
Preston elementary, 169
Choptank, 29
Hubbards, 38
Bethlehem, 26
Federalsburg high, 120
Federalsburg elementary, 191
Hickory Hill, 14
Houston's Branch, 15
Nichols, 21
Hillsboro, 55
Cedar Grove, 29
Ridgely high, 55
Ridgely elementary, 227
Furmans Grove, 26
Laurel Grove, 18
Concord, 30
Smithville, 21
Chestnut Grove, 31
Friendship, 43
American Corner, 31
Howard's, 18

Colored Schools

Mt. Zion, 41
Castle Hall, 19
Union, 27
Greensboro, 49
Bridgetown, 35
Denton high, 36
Denton elementary, 94
Hainesville, 27
Marsh Creek, 34
Dover Road, 15
Johns, 39
Jonestown, 31
Federalsburg, 72
Bethel, 26
Hilsboro, 31
Deep Branch, 15
Tuckahoe, 25
Ridgely, 102
Washington, 35
Mission, 17
Harmony, 20

LAWN FETE

There will be a lawn fete between 6th and 7th streets Thursday, July 16.

There will be a program consisting of southern melodies and a playlette.

Ice cream, cake and candy will be on sale. This fete is for the benefit of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. P. church.

If unfavorable weather, it will be held in the Sunday school room of the M. P. church.

TAG DAY TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER

The July meeting of the executive board of the public health committee was held on Tuesday, with a full attendance. It was decided to have tag day this year on the last Saturday in October instead of the first, in order that all of the clubs might be in session and have time to make the necessary arrangements. The money thus received will go towards the expenses of the public health nurse, who is doing such excellent work in the county. Miss Jackson has decided to take a part of her vacation the latter half of July. Following is her report for June

Much time has been spent in arrangements for the placing of children during the hot weather. Five have been sent to the Preventorium at Claiborne and applications made for others. Those already there have made a rapid gain in weight, and look like different children.

Assistance was given Dr. Nicklas in the tuberculosis clinics in Denton and Preston. I attended the annual health conference in Baltimore, June 12th and 13th from which I gained much help in public health work.

On the 19th a baby clinic was held in Denton, under Dr. Knox, chief of child hygiene. Thirty-five babies and children were examined, 12 of whom were normal. One was a hospital case which I hope to have placed soon.

Ninety-nine visits were made in June. In one family where the father died of typhoid, the other members are taking the inoculation treatment. An attempt is being made to trace the source of the disease, while the home has been made more sanitary. Two colored cases of tuberculosis have been placed in a sanitorium.

H. RUTH JACKSON, P. H. N.

DENTON DEFEATED BALTIMORE IN FAST GAME

On Saturday, July 4th, the Caroline Athletic Club met the strong Corkran Hill aggregation, of Baltimore, and defeated them by the score of 4-3.

Although the Baltimore boys outweighed those of the home team, they did not out-class them in the national sport. Denton showed real talent in handling the ball, and except for a miscalculation of the first baseman the game was well played. Bill Rickards, who played center field, did a nice piece of fielding, covering not only his territory, but showing his ability to help both the other outfielders.

There was not as large a crowd to witness this contest as was expected by the club, but it is hoped that in the future the fans of this locality will give their home team their loyal support and be present to cheer the home boys to a victorious season.

FIVE INJURED IN AUTO CRASH

Seaford, Del., July 7—Five Seaford people, Albert Passwater, 38, and his daughters, Mildred, 18 and Madeline, 16; Samuel Eskridge, 16, and Walter Hill, 21, were injured when their car struck an abutment on the Seaford-Georgetown Highway today.

All the occupants were thrown in a heap in front of the car, Mildred Passwaters being thrown half way through the windshield, suffering severe cuts and bruises. Her sister, Eskridge and Hill also received cuts and bruises, while Passwaters escaped with slight injury to his side.

MARYLAND CROPS BETTER, IS REPORT

Frost on July 1 Does Damage in Low Places in Garrett County

WARM PERIOD FOLLOWS

The first par tof the week was cool, Grantsville, Garrett county, reports light frost on the 1st, with some damage in low places. The second half of the week was marked by warm weather and the occurrence of local thunder showers.

Crops and pastures have improved somewhat, as a result of showers of the preceding and current weeks, but more rain is needed.

Corn continues in good condition and is growing well. Cultivation continues in some localities. Corn is tasseling in southern counties.

Harvesting of wheat and rye began in the Allegheny mountain region; and it ended elsewhere in western Maryland and also in north-central Maryland. Threshing of grains extended northward to the Pennsylvania border and as far west as eastern Washington county. Wheat varies in quality from good to excellent; and the yield varies from fair to excellent, but is generally good.

Correction—The note published last week from Frederick county should have read as follows: "On June 29th we threshed 500 bushels of wheat off of 25 acres of corn land; this yield of 20 bushels per acre is the largest since 1919. The wheat on fallow ground will yield better."

Oats are ripening west of Chesapeake Bay, except filling out in Garret county. Harvesting became general on the Eastern Shore and began locally in southern and north-central Maryland. Threshing began in St. Mary's, Somerset, and Worcester counties.

Early potatoes are maturing in western Maryland. Digging began in eastern Washington county and in north-central Maryland and continues in southern Maryland and on the Eastern Shore.

Late potatoes are doing well and are being cultivated in western Maryland; planting of this crop is in progress in the other divisions.

Sweet potatoes are fair and are being cultivated.

Picking of peas continues in Allegheny and Garrett counties, but has ended in Washington county.

Early apples are ripening. Picking is general on the Eastern Shore and local in southern and north-central Maryland .

Early tomatoes are fruiting or ripening. Shipments continue from Somerset county. The late planted are blooming.

Tobacco is fair. Plants in fields represent 40 to 70 per cent. of usual acreage.

Trucks and gardens are fair, except poor to fair on the Eastern Shore.

ONE MAN IS PROSTRATED IN SALISBURY HEAT WAVE

Salisbury was sweltering Monday under a heat wave described by some of the oldest residents as the hottest day they have ever experienced here.

Before noon the thermometer had passed the century point, a mark rarely reached in Salisbury.

One prostration was reported before noon, a bank janitor being overcome by heat.

TOAD HOLLOW BREVITIES

Judge Applewyne is goin' on his vacation next week, so Hooch Hooligan is puttin' in full time gittin' his supplies ready.

Hank Alderbush says that after vacation time he expects to be able to buy a pair of second hand pants in good condition except for bein' a trifle shiny on the seat.

Pete Doolittle says he wasn't plannin' on takin' a vacation this year but as the sheriff served a notice on him to vacate yesterday, he reckons he'll have to.

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