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Harrington Fair Begins Monday, July 27

PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith had as their guest for the weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saddler of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfe and daughter of Wilmington, Del., spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Howard and sons.

Mrs. John Friel and son, Martin, have returned home after vacationing with Mr. and Mrs. Howard at their new Wye River Home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bowen, Mr. Dan Aker, Jr., returned to Baltimore on Sunday after spending the week at Meadowbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stack and family of Dundalk were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Steinfelt and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Messick and family spent Sunday at Rehoboth Beach.

Mrs. John C. Cole was a Baltimore shopper on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Oldham and Jay, were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyndon Gabler at their home on Wye River.

Mr .and Mrs. Thomas Thompson and daughters, Peggy and Barbara, of Lublock ,Texas, and Mrs. Mary Aker of Baltimore left on Wednesday for their respective homes after spending most of the month at Meadowbrook.

A|c Walter B. Howard left on Sunday to return to Tenn. Air Base after spending a 15 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Howard of Wye River.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hart and son, Ronnie of Frederick, Mr. William Burke of Mt. Airy and Robert Comegys and friend of Wilmington, Del. and Mr. and Mrs. William Comegys and sons, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Comegys.

Mrs. Bessie Johnson of Baltimore, spent the weekend with Mrs. T. Herbert Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Stanley of Rock Hall, S.C., spent the weekend with T. Bronson Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dennis of Hebron, were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Charles Bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. William Gerloch.

Mr .and Mrs. Robert Anthony and son of Baltimore are spending their vacation with Mr. Brownie Anthony.

Mrs. Hilda Skaggs was carried to the University hospital on Wednesday night. It was at first believed she had tick fever. Now she remains under observation. She is resting comfortably at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jewell have as their guest now, Mrs. Jewell's sister from West Virginia.

Mrs. Robert Lowery and Mr. Jerry Skaggs and son, Niles, visited Mrs. Skaggs at the University hospital on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mann and son of Baltimore, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Emily Mann and Mr. and Mrs. James Mann and son.*

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Swann and son are enjoying this week at Wildwood N.J., while Mr. Swann is on vacation.

Mr. Boots Briscoe was the guest this past weekend of Mrs. Carrie Briscoe.

Grasonville

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Thompson of Piney Point, Southern, Md., spent the weekend with their parents and their daughter. Miss Coursey Thompson returned home with them after vacationing for a while with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earle Coursey.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dopman of Baltimore were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Coursey. Mr. Dopman was best man at Mr. and Mrs. Coursey's wedding 33 years ago.

Miss Hilda Murphy of Baltimore spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Annie Trezise.

Miss MamieBryan and Mrs. Grace Horney and son Kenny, spent last Wednesday in Tacoma Park.

Mr. Carl Smith who is employed in Norfolk, Va., spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hobbs and family of Marcus Hook, Pa., spent last Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Horney.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Horney and family have returned home after spending a couple weeks in Baltimore with relatives.

Mrs. Anna Mae Stevens and children of Annapolis, spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Agnes Baker.

Mrs. Jessie Ireland, Mrs. Pearl Ford, Mrs. Pearl Brown and Miss Lula Wilson spent last Monday in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Charlotte Knapp of Middletown, N.Y., is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knapp and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weiss of Baltimore visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wilson last Wednesday.

Mrs. Hettie Horney of Baltimore is spending sometime with her sister, Mrs. Sadie Roe.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Horney Mrs. Janie Saddler and son, Jimmy and Miss Jane Norman left Sunday for a trip to St. Louis, Mo., Canada, Niagra Falls and also to visit relaties in Middletown, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Haddaway are receiving congratulations on the birth of a fine baby boy born Thursday July 16.

Mrs. Grace Horney and sons enjoyed last Thursday at Ocean City.

Miss Jane Trezise spent last Sunday at Ocean City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Abbott and son of Dundalk, were weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver King.

Mr. Stevie Bryan who is working as Colporteur on the WesternShore was home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adlai Bryan.

Mrs. Mabel Paswater was a Baltimore shopper on Thursday.

Mr. Charles R. Saddler of Baltimore visited Mrs. Mina Saddler for a couple days last week.

Mrs. Grace White and son of Baltimore were weekend guests of Mrs. Grace Collier and son, Woodrow.

Mrs. Hattie Tolson spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Butler and daughter in Chestertown and Mr .and Mrs. Elwood Thompson were dinner guest on Tuesday with them.

Mr .and Mrs. Howard Wilson and Miss Elizabeth Wilson joined Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wilson and family of Washington,D.C., and enjoyed a picnic at Triton Beach, Md., on Sunday given by Sears of Washington, D.C., and Mr. Howard Wilson won a portable grill as gate prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Chance had as dinner guests on Sunday, Miss Shirlee Chance of Easton. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Butler and daughter of Chestertown, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Legg, Jr., and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Ford and Mr. Billy Ford were visitors to Blue Mountain Academy at Hamburg, Pa., on Sunday.

Mr .and Mrs. Joseph Saddler and sons and Mr. Stevie Bryan enjoyed Sunday at Tolchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright and children Stevie and Ricky and Mrs. Elizabeth Wright of Middle River, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Burns and daughters, Connie and Faye.

Chester

Mrs. Allan Clubb of Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Constitine and family from Portsmouth, Va., were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hanson on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burns and family of Carrollton Manor, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wade Hanson for the week.

A Picnic lunch was enjoyed on Friday by Mrs. Herbert Ryle and family, Mrs. John Tarr and family, Mrs. John Holden and family and Mrs. Medford Hoxter and family on the lawn of Mr. Wade Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Dill of Easton spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Pierson, spent the weekend at the Pocono Mountains, Pa., and Atlantic City.

Mrs. Betty Lon Gardner and Mrs. Lillie Mac Conglin and Misses Patsy and Joyce Thomas spent Saturday in Glenburnie.

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Chairmen Named for Flower Show at Centreville

The fall Flower Show of the Queen Anne's County Garden Club will be held October 14 and 15, it was announced following the July meeting of the group at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A.A. Houghton, Wye Plantation.

For the first time the affair will be held in the Memorial Post Home, Centreville, with Mrs. Thomas Donaldson as chairman and Mrs. J.R. Grove as vice chairman.

Committee chairman named for the show are:

Mrs. E.S. Valliant, Jr., junior division; Mrs. Allen Lane, housekeeping; Mrs. Victor Gillespie and Mrs. Patrick Duggan, hospitality and admissions; Mrs. J. Walter Eby, entries; Mrs. John Ashley, specimen; Mrs. William Fisher and Mrs. E.S. Valliant, properties; Mrs. S. E. W. Friel, transportation; Mrs. Edward Barton ,passing; Mrs. Charles Lucke prizes, Mrs. Vachel Downes, tea; Mrs. Glenn James and Mrs. E.A. Churchill, publicity.

It was announced that Mrs. O. N. Nielson will be chairman for Queen Anne's County for the 1954 Maryland House and Garden tour, with Mrs. David Williamson as vice chairman.

The guest speaker was Mrs. Cookman Boyd of the Roland Park Garden Club, Baltimore, talking on Japanese arrangements .Mrs. Boyd has just returned from studying in Japan and reported on the new trends in the Japanese arrangemets of floers. She demonstrated by making numerous arrangements.

Refreshments of tea and cookies followed the business meeting.

Seriously Injured in Dive At Romancoke

Charles E. Greathouse, 25, of 2915 Cornwall Road, Dundalk, Md., is in a critical condition in Memorial Hospital at Easton from injuries received last Sunday at noon when he dived from a pier into two feet of water.

While the extent of his injuries has not been determined, he is believed to have broken his neck in addition to spine injuries. The mishap occurred at the Romancoke pier on Kent Island, about five miles south of Stevensville.

His wife told Kent Island firemen that her husband was under the impression the water was 15 feet deep in the vicinity of the pier. After diving off he apparently realized the water was too shallow and twisted his body, but landed on his neck and shoulders on the sloping shoreline.

Mrs. Greathouse, although unable to swim, jumped into the water and held up her husband's body until nearby fishermen arrived.

The victim was rushed to the office of Dr. C.E. Snyder in Stevensville who had him removed to the hospital.

This was the second water accident reported in Queen Anne's county.

Church Hill Fire Company Presents Parade Awards

The Church Hill Fire Company ended its annual week's carnival on Sat. night with a large crowd attending, and reports a successful week.

Prizes winners of the two parades held during the affair were also announced.

In the variety parade, the award for the most original child went to Morris Massey of Ruthsburg; the most original adult, Jack Welch of Barclay; best float, Church Hill Community Club; best comic group, Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company; and best 4-H Club group, Church Hill.

Between 500 and 600 people are estimated to have watched the firemen's parade, with the best appearance prize going to Greensboro.

The Ladies Auxiliary award went to Ridgely and Hurlock firemen came the longest distance. Rock Hall took the band award.

Queen Anne's County Farm Picnic to Feature Beauty Contest

The annual Queen Anne's County Farm Bureau picnic will be heldthis year on Aug. 1 at Wyoming-on-Wye the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.T. Bishop, near Carmichael, as it has for a number of years.

Details for the picnic for the 500 county members were completed at the board of directors meeting last week. Special ground prizes to be awarded are a country ham for adults and a sweater for a child.

As in the past, the day-long affair will be featured by the Farm Queen Contest, where a county girl is selected to represent the county at the Maryland State Fair contest at Timonium on Aug. 29. Here she will have a chance to be named Maryland's Farm Queen for 1953.

Each contestant for the county will receive a prize, with $15 going to the winner, $10 to the second place contestant and $5 to third place. All unmarried girls between 16 and 18, inclusive, living on a farm of not less than three acres are eligible. It as pointed out that this is nota beauty contest, but an achievement, activity and an appearance test.

This local test, sponsored by the Associated Women of the Farm Bureau, develops poise and confidence and clubs are urged to select a girl and enter her in the contest.

Mrs. Olin Jarrell is chairman with her committee of Mrs. William Larrimore, Mrs. Fred Hall, Mrs. Wencell Shawn, Mrs. Charles Barton, Mrs. Willard Cannon and Miss Catherine Kirwan.

Other contests featured at the picnic will be the tractor test and baby contest. Mrs. Edward Cronshaw has charge of the baby show and Richard Whaley, Jr., the tractor contest.

Named as delegates to attend the Northeastern Regional Farm Bureau meeting in New York, July 26-28 were Lewis Davis and Mrs. Algernon Carter.

A special resolution committee has also been appointed by President Allen Cohey to study pertinent agricultural issues of national scope who with the aid of the county membership, will adopt resolutions that give local farmer's reactions, to pass through the usual channels, which have been requested by Secretary of Agriculture Benson to serve as recommendation in planning future national farm programs

This committee consists of Robert P. Dean, chairman: William V. Riggs, Frank Boyle, Benjamin L. Coppage, Mrs. Algernon Carter, Allen Sohey, and Lester Hogue.

State's Canned Foods Pack Would Fill 99-Mile Train

The food packed annually by Maryland canneries, if shipped out of the state entirely by rail, would require enough cars to form a giant train stretching 99 miles from engine to caboose.

The state's packers are producing about 22,726,000 cases of vegetables fruits, soups, meat and other foods, according to Mr. R.C. Braumbaugh, American Can Company field research representative. On the basis of an average of 2,000 cases for each carload this sizeahule food pack ould fill 11,363 cars.

"Modern metal containers and canning technique make it possible to ship at peak quality to markets the nation over this large volume of food which is beyond the normal needs of Maryland consumer's" explained Mr. Brumbaugh, whose firm supplies many of the containers used by the state's canners.

"The distribution of the Free State's annual pack results in an income of about $75,000,000 to Maryland in virtually all parts of the state," he added.

Five major vegetables constitute the largest part of Maryland's annual packs. These are tomatoes, snap beans, green peas, sweet corn and lima beans.

FOR SALE—Gum and poplar trees, suitable for lumber. Can be seen at Wye Neck. Linwood Single, Queenstown, Md.

Funds Needed to Keep Conquest Beach Opened

Due to a lack of funds, the county's only free bathing beach, Conquest Beach, may be forced to close the Conquest Beach Association announced last week.

In letters mailed out to county citizens, the committee said that unless "operating funds are obtained the beach will be forced to close.

The commitee reported heavier expenditures this year than in the previous ones because of necessary improvements that had to be made. Repairs on bath houses, tables, floats and benches were made in an effort to improve both the beach and picnic area for the many local people ho use and enjoy it.

In the past funds have been raised by voluntary contributions and from the many civic organizations throughout the county. Until this year these funds have beensufficient to meet all obligations. Many members used to make a donation at the time they obtained their free membership card.

Any resident of Queen Annes County may have a membership free card and use the beach at Spaniard's Neck, near Centreville.

It was also pointed out that the free Red Cross swimming classes being conducted at the beach would have to be discontinued if the beach was closed.

Last Thursday beach officials stated that the response to the letters of appeal has been "gratifying," but more funds are still needed. They ask that checks be made payable to Conquest Beach and mailed to Mrs. Charles Haymaker, treasurer, Centreville.

County citizens desiring membership cards may get them from Mrs. Haymaker or Mrs. J.W. Eby. The beach is open daily at 1 p.m., with a qualified life guard on duty during opening hours.

A.T. Blackwood Died Sunday at His Home

Arthur Temple Blackwood, 61, Queen Anne's County civic leader, died Sunday morning at his home near Centreville, after several months illness. Before coming here he was connected with the Irish Linen trade, being associated with the Linen Guild and Ross Bros.-Gibson Company of New York City.

He moved to Queen Anne's County in 1932 and bought a large farm on the Chester River. At the outbreak of hostilities in 1939 he offered his services to the British Consular Service, having retained his British citizenship.

He serevd as British vice consul in Baltimore throughout the war. When he retired in 1945 he was given the Member of the British Empire award by King George VI.

Mr. Blackwood had been disaster chairman of the Queen Anne's County Red Cross, vice president of the Queen Anne's County Farm Bureau, past commodore of the Corsica River Yacht Club, a trustee of the Gunston School of Centreville, a member of the St. George's Society of Baltimore, and of the Merchants Club in that city.

He was born at Banbridge, County Downs, Northern Ireland, Feb. 14, 1892. He served as a company commander in the Royal Irish Rifles during World War I and came to this country at the end of the war.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sarah R. Blackwood; two sons, Terence R., Baltimore; Matthew T., Hartford, Conn.; brother, Terence A. Banbridge, Ireland, and two sisters, Mrs. G.L. Clark and Miss Mary Kathleen Blackwood, both of Belfast, Ireland.

Funeral services were held in St. Paul's P.E. Church Tuesday at 2 p.m. The Rev. Thomas Donaldson officiated and interment was inChesterfield Cemetery.

ROW BOATS FOR HIRE—Tilghman McNamee, First Ave., Queenstown, Md. Phone Queenstown 4191.

Kent Sussex Fair To Open Exhibits Monday July 27

The 34th annual Kent and Sussex Fair will be open Monday night, July 27, with Irish Horan's Hell Drivers at 8 p.m. The fair will continue through August 1, with events of interest scheduled for each day of the week.

Entries have been flowing in for all departments and indications are that all buildings will be filled to capacity. The dairy cattle department, under the supervision of L.D. Caulk of Wyoming, will present a senior and junior show. Many herds of all breeds will be shown and compete for valuable prizes. Included in this department will be a Guernsey cow and her son that was judged national grand champion at Waterloo, Ia., last year. This animal will be shown by its owner, Miss Mabel Potter of Cambridge, Md.

George Simpson of Houston will supervise the swine department and also present a senior and junior show for many prizes. Entries in this department are at an all time high. The farm equipment show under the direction of R.H. Stafford and Brown Thawley will display the latest in modern farm equipment. This show alone will cover 10 acres and will be the largest ever presented in the 34 years of the fair.

The fair management has arranged for the fair patron and outstanding display of fireworks nightly. Included in this display will be four firings of ½ mile each or two miles of thrilling displays each night. A complete grandstand revue of over 50 people and 10 thrilling acts each evening will be presented. On the midway will be Prell's Broadway Shows.

Harness racing will be featured each afternoon, Tuesday through Friday, ith many top trotters and pacers competing for the $12,000 offered in purse money. Pony racing for the boys and girls exhibiting their animals will also be an interesting feature on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. The fair will close on August 1 with 100 laps of AAA auto racing.

There are 196 opportunities for 4-H'ers to take part in the Kent-Sussex Fair. Samuel Gwinn, state 4-H Club leader, listed the various activities this week, and urged interested 4-H'ers to contact their local club leaders or county 4-H agents immediately.

There are 115 exhibits, classes in foods, clothing, canning, home improvements, eggs, vegetables and entomology. Members may also exhibit in the junior dairy, poultry, or swine shows.

Five demonstrations contests are scheduled. July 29 is the day for dairy foods and poultry consumption demonstrations. The dairy production, poultry production, and soil conservation demonstration contests will be on July 30. Also on Thursday is the state tractor operators contest at 10 a.m.

The judging contest will be on July 31 at 10 a.m. Four H'ers can enter in clothing, baking, food preservation, vegetables, dairy, poultry (live birds and eggs) and swine. In these contests classes are set up for the boy and girl who rank according to quality. They must also give written or oral reasons for their decisions.

Local Farmhand, 47, Drowns in Kent Narrows

The body of John Thomas Hadrick, 47, of Queenstown, was found Sunday morning about 9 o'clock in ten feet of water in Kent Narrows 4 miles from Queenstown. The body was located by a group of swimmers that included his son, Albert.

Maryland state police say that Hadrick apparently fell off the dock some time during the night. He was fully dressed. Hadrick had been employed as a farmhand. He is survived by three sons, all World War II veterans, and his wife Elizabeth.

The case was investigated by Trooper Frist Class W.H. Massey and M.S. Clevenger of the Easton barracks. This as the first drowning of the season in Queen Anne's county.