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PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Among the many out of town guests who spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roser and attended the Davis-Roser nuptials were: Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Surek of Philadelphia and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Henes, Mr. Paul Harold and his fiancee, Miss Dorothy Tobin of Wil-[illegible]ington, Del.

[illegible] and Mrs. Frank Delahay [illegible] weekend in Baltimore [illegible] S. Davis.

[illegible] and Mrs. Wil-[illegible] daughter of Towns [illegible] Sunday guests of [illegible]erry Skaggs.

[illegible] and Mrs. Harry Harris of [illegible]p Breckenridge, Ky., were the [illegible]eekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buckel.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Walls and family spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Lynch in Queen Anne.

Mr. James Patrick of Worton and Mr. William Rolph of Wilmington, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy King.

Mrs. W.E. Higdon has returned home after undergoing observations at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buckel and children spent Sunday in Denton with Mrs. Buckel's mother, Mrs. Blanche Schmitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Maged and son Steve, spent a fe wdays last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Stein.

Mr .and Mrs. Robert Haberman of Baltimore spent Sunday with Mrs. Roscoe Knox.

[illegible]rs. B.H. Lane, Mrs. Linden Brit-[illegible]m, Mrs. M.G. White and Miss [illegible] Melvin were Tuesday shop[illegible] Del.

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[illegible]OYSTER SUPPER

[illegible] the Turkey and Oys-[illegible] be held on Wednesday [illegible] 14 at Fellowship Hall. [illegible]g begins at 5 P.M.

Mr. Wesley Morgan of the Merchant Marines has returned to his ship after spending a month with his mother, Mrs. Goldie Morgan.

Mrs. William Kersey spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goodhand.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harmon spent the weekend in Pa., and attended the Navy-Cornell football game on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Linden Brittingham were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Abbott in Georgetown, Del.

We extend our sympathies to the Hammond family in the loss of their beloved sister, Miss Carrie Hammond who passed away at Cambridge Hospital. Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 P.M. Also to Mrs. Delma Midgett Snyder whose husband Jay, passed away on Saturday at his home in Harrisburg, Pa.

Mrs. Mildred Collier entertained friends from Havre de Grace on Monday evening.

We extend congratulations to the newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Davis, who were married on Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Church. They are now honeymooning in the Pocono Mountains, Pa. Mrs. Davis is the former Miss Elsie Roser, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roser.

Mr. George Steinfelt was among the guest newspaper editors at the Elks Lodge in Easton for dinner on Tuesday evening.

AMBULANCE CALLED OUT MON.

The Queenstown Volunter Fire Co. Ambulance was called out on Monday evening to carry Mr. Jerome Stallings of Chester, Md., to Easton Memorial Hospital. Mr. Stallings died from a heart attack while enroute. Mr. J. Charles Bishop and Lester Wehberg were the ambulance drivers.

We welcome to our community Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reese from Grasonville.

Mrs. Frank Dudley Jr., has returned home from a vacation trip to N. Y. and Conn.

Mrs. Jeanette Wehberg and Mrs. Douglas Gernert accompanied Mrs. Wehberg's daughter to the hospital on Thursday for an eye observation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bishop are receiving congratulations on the [illegible]rival of a baby girl, bo[illegible] nesday at Easton M[illegible]tal.

Mr. and Mrs. B.H. [illegible] Mrs. Henry Melvin a[illegible]ence Melvin visited M[illegible] Charles Young in Baltimore on Sunday.

Grasonville

Mrs. Pearl Timms and children Mirian and Herbert were Baltimore shoppers last Tuesday.

Mrs. Louise Collier with relatives and friends is enjoying a vacation in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Holden, Mrs. Minnie Fooks, Mrs. Elizabeth O'Don ne ll, and Miss Esther O'Donnell spent last Wednesday in Baltimore.

Mr. John Gallena of South Africa, visited Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Jenkins and family of Chester River Beach last week.

Mrs. Helen King of Glen Burnie, Md., spent sometime last week with relatives and friends.

Cpl. William E. Melvin of Fort Belvoir, Va., is spending sometime with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Melin and Mrs. Melvin's mother, Mrs. Lula Leary of Riverdale, Md., spent the weekend with them.

Mrs. Kate Hyland of Westminster, Md., is visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. E.S. Thompson.

Mrs. Raymond Risl[illegible] Falls Church, Va., [illegible] end with Mr. an[illegible] She and her so[illegible] husband, Sgt. [illegible] England. They [illegible] 15.

Mr .and Mr[illegible] timore, are s[illegible] Mrs. Clyde [illegible] Collier.

Mr. and M[illegible] Mr. and Mrs[illegible] Queenstown, we[illegible] of Mrs. Mina Sad[illegible]

Mr .and Mrs. Ral[illegible] Mr. Jacob B. Baker, Sr., spent Sunday in Baltimore with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bryan vrd and famiiy and Mrs. Nellie Seymour and enjoyed a lovely dinner in honor of Mrs. Ireland's birthday.

Master Ronnie Saddler spent the weekend with master Monty Baker in Queenstown.

Mrs. Jessie Ireland visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burrows in Baltimore on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Buckel of Baltimore visited relaties here on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Bryan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thomas, Jr., in Dominion and enjoyed a turkey dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. William Clevenger and daughter, Janeen were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Whittle and family in Baltimore.

Mrs. Thelma Thomas and Mrs. Louise Greaves spent a few days this week in Baltimore with their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Galicki, who are receiving congratulations on the birth of a fine son born Friday, October 2, at Church Home Infirmary.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Marvel of Easton visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Collier on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bambury spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Hesler in Secretary, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson and daughters, Judy, Catherine and Helen of Pa., were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Thompson and family.

Mrs. Grace White and son, Jack of Baltimore, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Grace Collier.

Chester

Pvt. and Mrs. Lathan Honeycutt and sister Mildred left Frday for N. C. to visit with his parents, Pvt. Honeycutt will leave Saturday for

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County MYF Met on Sept. 30 at Queenstown

The Queen Anne's County MYF met on Sept. 30 at Queenstown. The worship service was conducted by the Queenstown MYF. Rev. Jas. R. Hughes gave a short talk afterwards.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Charles Denny. The secretary's report was read. A [illegible]all was next, and we found [illegible]e were seven officers, and [illegible]s represented by 80 mem-[illegible]ent.

[illegible] county program was planned [illegible]r the year. Then each officer gave a report on his job. Rev. Hughes talked to us about the budget for the coming year, and it was said that it would help balance the budget, if each MYF was to send ten dollars to the treasurer, Jane Candy.

The project for the county was to build an indoors fireplace at the Methodist Camp this year.

Rev. Dale Ruth, Easton District Director from Camridge, spoke to us about the MYF conference to be held Oct. 16, 17, and 18 at Cambridge. All members are invited to attend this conference.

Recreation lead by Phyllis Stubbs was held in the Fellowship Hall. After this, refreshments were served by the Queenstown MYF. To close the meeting, "Blssed be the Tide That Binds" was sung, and the MYF Benediction was said by all.

Future Farmers Show Names Two Prize Hogs

A 205-pound Yorkshire hog was named grand champion and brought 40 cents a pound at the Centreville High School Future Farmers market hog show and sale last [illegible]

[illegible]hog was owned by Lloyd An-[illegible]f Centreville, and was [illegible] Esskay. The judge was [illegible]f the University of [illegible]ion Service.

[illegible]hampion, was a [illegible]ire, owned by [illegible]eville, that sold [illegible]nd. The average [illegible] hogs was 27 cents. [illegible] 102 hogs exhibited.

[illegible] junction with the hog show [illegible]ctor driving contest was also [illegible]ld with 19 boys competing. Floyd Price, Sudlersville, drove off with the to pprize, followed by Dickie Walls and Sudler Story, all of Sudlersville.

JAMES WALTER EBY

Funeral services for James Walter Eby, 43, president of the Maryland State County Agents Association, who died Saturday in University Hospital, Baltimore was held at 2 p.m. Tuesday from his home in Centreville.

Mr. Eby died unexpectedly. He had been county agricultural agent in Queen Anne's for 10 years, and had been associated with the University of Maryland Extension Service since 1940. He came to Centreville from a farm in Western Maryland as assistant county agent under Mark Miller in 1940 and was made agent in 1943.

Born in Sabillasville, Frederick County, he graduated from Thurmont High School in 1927 and took a business course at Waynesboro Business College before going to the University of Maryland. He received his B.S. degree here in 1932.

In November, 1934, he married Lou Cooper Snyder, Washington, D. C., and she survives along with two daughters, Janie and Lynda, both at home. His mother, Mrs. Annie Eby, also is living as are two sisters Mrs. Frank Cummings, Silver Spring and Mrs. Clyde Gray, Sabillasville.

LONG POINT LODGE SOLD

The Long Point Lodge, Queen Anne's former "night club", was sold at auction Tuesday for $25,100 to Mrs. Mary H. Stichel of Grasonville to whom the surrounding land belongs. The building is located six miles from the eastern approach of the Bay Bridge, and was once assessed for ore than $75,000.

Legion Post to Participate In Dedication Ceremony

The two American Legion Posts which he helped organize will take part in the dedication services fo the Del-Mar-Va Sportsmen's Association range, just outside of Sudlersville, on Sunday, in memory of the late William T. Roe.

Members of the Jeff Davis Post No. 18, Centreville, and the Kent Queen Anne's Memorial Post No. 192, Sudlersville, will attend the services. He was the first commander of the Sudlersville Post. The Rev. L. Harold Hinrichs, chaplain of the Post, will give the invocation, and the Rev. James R. Hughes, chaplain of Jeff Davis, will give the benediction.

At the dedication services, a bronze plaque will be unveiled by Miss Helen Roe, his daughter, who is now a high school teacher in Salisbury. State Senator Edward Turner will deliver an address.

Following the service, there will be demonstrations on the club's ranges. Four club pistol shooters will fire on the pistol range; the NRA Junior team from Dover, sponsored bby the club, will fire on the rifle range; and club shooters will use the archery range, the bench rests, and trap range.

This Shore-wide organization now has 112 members from Maryland, Delaware and Virginia. Besides the ranges, it boasts a club house.

Mr. Roe was known the length and breadth of the Peninsula as an organizer, civic leader and sportsman. He passed away on Nov. 23, 1952, preparing for the first open deer season in Queen Anne's County.

Born on Nov. 28, 1896, in Annapolis, he was the son of the late Medford Roe and Amanda Thompson Roe, whose father, Major William Henry Thompson, was an officer in the 22nd Regiment, Maryland Militia, during the Civil War and later vice-president of St. Johns College.

He moved to Barclay at an early age and as a sportsman killed his first rabbit at the age of seven with a .22 rifle. The family later moved into Sudlersville and he attended St. John's College. He came home to enter his own fire insurance business and bought grain with his cousin, ex-Congressman Dudley G. Roe.

Large Number of Savings Stamps Sold at Local Postoffice

During the 1952-53 school year, the Queenstown post office sold a large number of United States Savings Stamps of the 10c. and 25c denominations, it was announced yesterday by Postmater, Margaret S. Cross, of Queenstown, Md.

"The 10c and 25c. Savings Stamps are the most popular units used in the School Savings programs of our community," Mrs. Cross stated. "This large volume of sales indicate the constantly increasing participation of our youngsters in this worthwhile thrift program.

"The Treasury Department has announced that it hopes by December 31, 1953, to add at least 1,000,000 more students to the 5,000,000 now in schools having the School Savings Plan. Anticipating the increased enrollment, which will result in Queenstown's active thrift program, the post office has received supplies of both Stamps and Albums during the summer and are fully repared to continue serving all our school for their weekly Stamp Days."

A recent report from the U.S. Savings Bonds Division in Washington shows that overall Stamp sales the past school year amounted to $14,631,000, an increase of $900,000 over the previous year, Mrs. Cross pointed out. The national total of individual savings Stamp sales of the 10c. and 25c. denominations, the most popular with school savers, was 78,168,000, which represented an increase of 6,000,000 over the number of individual Stamps sold the preceding school year. It is expected that an even greater volume of Stamps will be handled by the post offices of the nation during the current school year as a result of growing participation in School Savings.

Wood Family Fund Passes $1,500 Mark at Centreville

The Jeff Davis Post No. 18 Rehabilitation Fund Climbed over the $1,500 mark last week with contributions of $100 from the Grasonville PTA; $50 from the Baltimore Life Insurance Company, $50 from St. Paul's Episcopal Church, at Centreville; 10 from the IdealDress Shop, Easton; and $10 from the Methodist Youth Fellowship, Price.

Ten organizations and 107 individuals have contributed to the fund, established six weeks ago by the local American Legion post to aid the Kenneth Wood family inthe rehabilitation of their daughter, Wanda, seriously injured in an automobile accident on Feb. 28.

William E. Roe, III, chairman, said the drive will continue indefinitely in hopes of reaching the original goal of $5,000.

It was brought out last week that since April 15, Mr. Wood has had only his own financial resources to rely upon for the care of the child who is still under the 24-hour nurse care. He has mortgaged his home to the fullest extent and borrowed money from every possible source before turning to the Legion for help. They have spent over $5,000 and owe approxiately $2,800 in hospital bills and doctor bills.

Wanda has been home for two weeks with a nurse in attendance, but returns this week to Baltimore. She is permanently blinded in one eye and has a head injury that may take months to heal.

The nursing care for a month ran $252 per week, and will continue to cost the family $150 per week for an indefinite period.

Mr. Wood is the new license inspector for the Queen Ann's County Board of License Commissioners and has taken over a newspaper route in an effort to meet expenses. He is first sergeant of the local National Guard unit and a veteran of service in the CBI during WorldWar II. Mrs. Wood is teaching elementary school at Queen Anne to bring in extra funds.

Two sons, are now serving in the Army, one being awarded the Combat Infantryman's Bade in Korea.

Chairman Roe said, "We certainly appreciate the large checks from clubs and organizations, but the smaller contributions from individuals are also welcomed. Those who know the family and want to help need not be ashamed to give a small amount—it all adds up."

Checks may be made payable to the fund and sent to Mr. Roe, Asbury Bartlett or Charles E. Anthony, fund committee ,or left at Mear's Barber Shop in Centreville.

Sandy, Troy In Return Bout On Radio, Television Friday

In a return bout that shapes up as a scorcher, Randy Sandy meets Willie Troy in a 10-round middleweight scrap to be nationally televised and broadcast from St. Nicholas Arena Friday night (October9) on the Cavalcade of Sports by the Gillette Safety Razor Company.

The fight goes on the air at 10 p. m. New York time over the NBC television network, and the ABC radio network.

Both boys pack plenty of action in either fist and both are on their way up the fistic ladder. Willie Troy knocked Sandy out just one year ago in the 10th round. In his most recent outing, Troy kayoed Lee Sala in five rounds. His record shows him to be a terrific hitter, with fourteen of his twenty victories being by the knockout route. He has lost only one fight.

Sandy has made rapid strides since his knockout loss to Troy. In recent months he has defeated Tuzo Portuguez, Jimmy Beau and Lee Sala. His record shows 13 wins, five by kayoes, and his only loss was to Troy. He'll be in there giving everything he's got to reverse the results of his previous bout with Troy.

Jimmy Powers will handle the television end of the fight, with ace blow-by-blow reporter Don Dunphy calling them on radio, assisted by Win Elliott.

Fame Wye Oak Strains, Creaks; Early End Feared

The centuries-old Wye Oak—a massive structure, with a trunk 20 feet in circumference and a branch spread of 140 feet—strained and creaked Tuesday night and partially collapsed.

One of its largest limbs came tumbling down across State Road 622 about 7:30 o'clock, temporarily blocking the highway. No extensive damage was done, however, as the small brick building under the 95-foot tall tree was unscathed.

Folks were wondering, though, whether this was it? Whether the great but ancient oak was ready to bow to the ravages of time?

Records say the tree has stood for 413 years, and once beneath its branches Indian ceremonies were conducted. Post cards and literature in the tiny brick building in the one-acre State Park which surrounds the tree tell of these pow-wows and many another myth handed down through the years.

The brick museum building along side what is termed "the oldest living white oak tree in America" has something of a history itself.

Once a schoolhouse, the building is believed to have been erected in 1722. Its restoration as a museum and souvenir headuarters was begun about two years ago.

The tree, the former one-room red brick schoolhouse, and the ground about it constitute the smallest state park in Maryland.

Efforts to keep the tree alive have been constant. About two years ago, the Queen Anne's Garden Club instigated a campaign of tree surgery that shored up its great bending branches.

The tree—if it gives way to the attrition of time—would be replaced by a chestnut oak in Suffield, Conn., as America's oldest.

At the time that the tree underwent surgery about three years ago, the "operation" was supervised not only by a tree surgery company and state forester, but observed by cameramen, newspapermen and a long list of "kibitzers."

New Commander Named For Corsica River Yacht Club

J. Hall Barton of Centreville has been named commodore of the Corsica River Yacht Club at the annual meeting and election of officers held at the American Legion Memorial Post Home.

The rest of the slate for the new year are: F. Trevor Hogg, vice commodore; Howard Wood, III, rear commodore; Joseph Geuting, fleet captain; Mary Ker Keating, secretary-treasurer. Members of the board of governors named for a two-year term are: Holland Potter, outgoing commodore; and Aubrey D. Hutcheson. S.E.W. Friel and Charles E. Lucke, Jr., have another year to serve.

An innovation, proposed by past commodore, Philip Reeves, was the election of junior officers, by the junior members, to act as apprentices to the senior officers in carrying out their duties. They will not be voting members of the board.

Juniors named are: William B. Potter, commodore; Edward Nielsen, vice commodore; Michael Keating, rear commodore; Amanda Duffey, fleet captain; and Cecil Wilson, secretary-treasurer.

Edward Nielsen, won the Reeves Seamanship Bowl, which goes to the member displaying the greatest amount of progress in learning the rudiments of sailing and navigation.

Cups for point scores in summer race series were won by: Barbara Lucke, first; Tom Lucke, 2nd; Bobby Barto, 3rd—Comets. Will Potter, first Soney Duffey, 2nd; Ed Nielsen, 3rd —Penguins.

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