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A Merry Christmas to All Our READERS

Do You Know

OFF THE CUFF

That the rainy and windy days have played Santa Claus to the pitch and checkers. They beamce so interested they missed their lunch hour and Christmas is only across the street

That one of our backyard gossipers asked: "Do you think fish is a brain food?" "Can't be, my husband eat lot of it."

That one of our proud mothers asked her cousin; Don't you think my new baby is fine?" "Yes," but he is ahead of schedule. "Why?" he is more bald than dad.

That Ray Tabler reminds us the year 1940 is drawing to a close; if there is anything that you must do this year, you had better get started on the task

That Orville Pinder tells the folks charity is as good for the giver as it is for those who need a helping hand.

That Ed. Connolly says, about this time of the year, it might be a good idea for Santa Claus to operate on a budget.

That young man Pop Pop Cross remember in the old days when your neigbor would go out to work you would likely hear that he had been kicked starting his mule. In this day and age when your neighbor goes to work, you will likely hear that he had been kicked by starting his tractor.

That Mike has had a bunch of invitations to enjoy steam-crab feed with trimmings but, being a law-abiding citizen had to decline with thanks.

That Mayor Bill Harrison is worried because the city funds will not permit him to extend the trolley line to Benn avenue via Meadowbrook to aid John Jones to reach his work on time,as Johnnie's rheumatic is annoying him in his long journey from his new home on Meadowbrook avenue to First avenue.

That Mike wish to thank his many sporting friends of Kent Island for wild ducks,and his nearby farmer friends for remembering him when butcheting their hog crop, which was the largest for years. May they and theirs enjoy A Merry Christmas and A Prosperous New Year, is the sincere wish of Mike.

That the importance of publicity in city and county newspapers and in the Maryland Clubwoman was explain by Mrs. Russell P. Smith of Cambridge, editor of the Eastern Shore page of the club magazine, at a meeting of the Denton Community Club last Friday. Mrs. Smith stressed cooperation of club members in assisting the reporter in dissemination of news. The club planned to make this Christmas memorable among the underprivileged by the distribution of Christmas baskets containing material for a Christmas dinner

Dance and Party.

Ed Nichols is going to do his bit towards giving the youths of the county a happy holiday season as he going to hold a dance and party at the Forest Lodge Inn on New Year's eve. When Ed gives give the bugle call, boys and gals from Sudlersville to Kent Point usually respond to these jamborees.

No admission prices, everything free. So com' on boys, grab your best girl, and wend your way out to the Lodge to help blow in the New Year. Any boy and desiring tickets, get in touch with Ed. You must have a printed pasteboard!

PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mr. Norman Pierson of Grasonville, who has been in bad health for over a year, returned home from the Easton Emegency Hospital after recovering from an hydroceia operation. He was operated upon Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lane Embert and little daughter, Mary Lane Embert of Baltimore, are spending a week's vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde J. Embert on Steamboat avenue.

Christmas Traffic Warning Issued By Committee

Holiday exuberance, darkness and bad weather make Christmastime a dangerous time. That this Christmas holiday may be accident and tragedy free, Governor Herbert R. O'Conor's Maryland Traffic Safety Committee is making a final Christmas appeal to all motorists and pedestrians to travel with care, that no act of theirs may mar this Yuletide joy.

Statistics show that nationally, December is the worst month of the year, for automobile fatalities and accidents, and has a death rate one-third higher than any other month in the year. Last year in the mouth of December, 3,540 persons were killed on the highways of the country. Our own State contributed 45 of this total and unless every precaution is taken the SafetyCommittee states "our records this year will certainly be even worse than that."

Pedestrians too, known that the streets are crowded, and that if a car is likely to skid into another car, it is also likely to strike you. Therefore, for the sake of those you love, and those who love you, and to help make Christmas a time of peace and happiness, do not take chances by crossing intersections or against traffic lights.

The Safety Committee further is stressing the point of results of the Christmas celebration, urges that the gay party not be turned into a thing of misery by drivers. "If you drink, don't drive; If you drive, don't drink."

Germany OK's Dog Meat for Table

The meat of dogs has been legalized for human consumption for greater Germany, effective January 1, 1941. Inspection of dog meat will be made under provision of a new law effective on that date. Dogs and hogs after being slaughtered are to be examined for evidence of trichina. The same applies to wild hogs, bears, foxes, viver wolves, badgers and other meat-eating animals intended for human consumption. Unlicensed and unclaimed mongrels presumably will furnish an additional supply of low cost meat. Horse meat now is available in some restaurants and is served without the customer having to surrender his precious meat points, demanded for beef, pork and other meats.

We haven't felt friendly to Germany for many years, but we are willing to donate a flock of half-bred dogs.

Boy Scouts Helping

Any family possessing books, toys or clothes which they wish to give to a charitable cause, cantact Scoutmaster, Ed Nichols, who will see that some little fellow's heart get a thrill on Christmas morn

MASS at St Peter's Catholic Church, Queenstown,at 8 o'clock. Our Mother of Sorrows, Centreville, at 10 o'clock.

Sanford E. Spry Dies at Centreville

Sanford E. Spry, the only man to serve three terms as Sheriff of Queen Anne's county died at his home Tuesday in Centreville. He was 76.

Besides his three terms as Sheriff, Mr. Spry was acting sheriff for a part of another term and served as Deputy Sheriff under two other men.

He was elected for the last time in 1921 and led both tickets by a large majority

During his years as Sheriff Mr. Spry had one hobby. He never went to bed without first having heard directly from every sick person in town. If he did not see some member of the family during the day, he went to the home to inquire and, perhaps, talk for a while with the patient.

Until recent years when his health declined Mr. Spry was known by practically all of this town's residents young and old. He was on friendly terms with almost every man in the county.

He was a lifelong Democrat, a member of a staunch Democratic family. When his party put up his name for Sheriff for the third time setting a precedent in the county, since the office of Sheriff is one of the political plums which usually is handed around to different party workers, politicians said almost unanimously he could not win.

They had not reckoned on his personal popularity. He not only won but received more votes than any other candidate.

All of Mr. Spry's terms were separated because of a Queen Anne's county provision that no Sheriff can succeed himself.

A few years ago he announced he would be a candidate again. But he was more than 70 and in ill health. He did not press his campaign and finally withdrew in favor of a friend on the Democratic ticket.

Most of the years since his career in public office ceased were spent quietly at his home. For brief periods, however, he was employed by George M. Moffett and at the Pioneer Point farms of Mrs. John J. Raskob.

Mr. Spry first entered politics as a candidate for office at the age of 49 and before that time was a prominent farmer in the county. He was born near I. B., a son of the late John L. Spry and Catherine Mahoon Spry.

He is survived by three sisters, Miss Annie Spry, Miss Helen Baxter and Mrs. J. Milton Hunter, and a brother, Benjamin Spry.

All Aliens are Notified To Register By Dec. 26

Governor Herbert R. O'Conor today sounded a final note of warning to non-citizens residing in the State concerning the Alien Registration Regulations.

This regulation must be complied with before December 28, he pointed out, as violation of this Federal statute is punishable by six months in prison, $1,000 fine or both. As of the end of November, approximately 29,500 non-citizens had registered at the Post Offices of the State. While no definite estimates are available of the total number of aliens in the State, it is felt that approximately 10 per cent still remains to be registered.

Briefly, Governor O'Conor explained, the Alien Registration Act requires that all aliens of both sexes and all ages be registered and finger-printed in the Post Offices of the State. Alien children under 14 years of age can be registered by the parents or guardians, but need not appear in person to be finger-printed until within thirty days after reaching the age of 14.

FOR RENT—Small Apartment at Boyles' Filling Station near Queenstown. Mrs. Joseph S. Boyles

Sport Dope

By Ed Nichols

The County Soccer team dropped to fourth place of the Eastern Shore League Standings last Sunday when they took a 4-0 whitewashing at the hands of the fast charging Greensboro outfit present holders of second spot. Ridgely is in the top perch with only one loss during past season play, that being at hands of Greensboro last month.

Oh well, perhaps Bob Yates and his local booters will have better luck in the play-offs which get under way after the holidays.

Royden Powell's Independent elbowers seem to have everything very much their own way in the County Seat Bowling League. The Powell men not only leading the pack with 15 wins as against 3 set backs, but all players are battling tooth and nail for individual tossing in the percentage ranks.

"Boney" Dadds, tonsorial expert, and one of Powell's main stays was leading the way last week, but during the past few days a much different light has been thrown on the situation as teammates, Dick Tarr and Clayton Wright, jr., better known locally as "Cakey," really went to town last Friday boosting their averages skyward and shoving Dadds to fourth place. Wright is at the to of the heap with a 109 tabulation while Dick Tarr, possessor of the cannonball delivery, pulls up in the runner-up spot with a 104.6 figure. Gordon Lane, member of the second place Clerks is stationed in third stall with a 103.3 digit. Tarr estaplished a league record bowling score last Friday in his teams three victories over the Triangles when he tossed a 145 game. Bart Starkey, exponent of the double twisting round-house curve and member of the Clerkie team tied this count on Saturday night, but not against League competition.

While the Clerks and Triangles are deadlocked for second place, Hall Barton's American Legion team gave further evidence of being trouble for futurematches this winter when they shellacked Wilson Dukes Farmer's onWednesday in three games. Yes, Sir, we had better keep an eye on those veterans, Gus Sittnick, Ed. Fowler, E. S. Valliant and Sydney Gadd.

The Legion keglers by the way are in third place at present and but one game behind the two dead locked outfits in the runner-up spot, the Clerks and Triangles. The Great Hotes and Farmer's have lost their early season stride for some un-known reason, stumbling around near the darkness of the cellar.

Well, ball faus, now that the Boston Red Sox have agreed to accept Queen Anne's County Athletic Association proposition for baseball next year, it looks very much as if it is up to us to raise twenty five hundred pieces of green stuff Yes, I admitt it is a lot of kale in one pile, but it is a necessity if we are to have baseball next next summer.

Three hundred booster tickets will be issued this week which will be sold at ten dollars per paste board. Now is the time to bang out the first base-hit of the winter hot-stove league by purchasing yours to-day, this week. Let's not allow any certain group do all the plugging, everyone's cooperation is needed, and yes, buddies, that means you! Any of the following are selling ducats, namely, F. Asbury Bartlett, Grant Yates, Jack Perry, Frank Brower, Phil Thompson, John Moffett and Joe Hanley in the County Seat. Albert Haspert and your old sidekick are giving high sales talks in Queenstown and same holds true of Joe Evans at Grasonville and Louis Crouch down on the Kent Island area.

Business Manager Frank Grier, general manager of the Milford Giants, began re-building his Eastern Shore League club this week when he announced the purchase of a pitcher and outfielder, who had played on option with the Giants last season. The acquistion are Andy Hawthore, left handed twirler and Murray "Doc" Rothman, flychaser, both of whom were bought from Jersey City of the Inter-National League. Hawthorne a former Erkskine College athlete saw plenty of action with the Giants last year although his record of four wins and ten losses wasn't any too impressive. Rothman, good defensive out fielder, jewish boy hailing from New York was picked up by the New York Giants last Spring and farmer to Milford where he batted 298,and has all qualities of developing into a top-flight big timer player. The late John McGraw spent years in trying to find a jewish boy for his Giants, and failed. Who knows Bill Terry may have the answer "little Napolean's" dreams although Harry Danning and Morrie Arnovich are listed on his roster at present.

I understand that waivers have been asked on Lefty Gomez and Babe Dahlgren by the Yankees may mean this pair is on the way out of the McCarthy ensemble. Again, it may mean nothing of the sort. Waivers can be waived aside. I guess Gomez will be found going to the Dodgers.

Obituary

Charles M. Melvin

Mr. Charles M. Melvin a well-known and highly respected citizen of the Fifth district, died Thursday morning about 6 o'clock at his home Gallowfield, near town, aged 83 years. The cause of his death was complication of diseases. He was a prosperous farmer until ten years ago when he retired. He is survived by two sons, Clarence M. Melvin and J. Henry Melvin, and two daughters, Mrs. Bennie Lane and Miss Florence Melvin

Richard DeLacy

Mr. Richard DeLacy, died at the Emergency Hospital, Easton, Monday morning at 2.30, aged 68 years. Mr. DeLacy was struck by an auto Sundaymorning, December 8, at 10.55 o'clock, and was rushed to the hospital, and as late as Thursday his physician had hopes he would recover, but he gradually grew weaker. He leaves a brother, James T. DeLacy, a prosperous farmer near Starr, and a sister, Miss Annie DeLacy,a trained nurse of Washington, D. C. Funeral services were held at St. Peter's Catholic Church, Wednesday morning at 9.30 o'clock, Rev. Fr. Fisher officiating

Mrs. Roberr Jump

Mrs. Robert Jump of Bloomingdale, died at her residence Saturday afternoon, of heart trouble, aged 83 years. She is survived by her husband. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at her home.

That Santa Claus will be at Queenstown,Saturday at 1.30 p.m

Forest Lodge

FOR RENT

For all Occasions

FOR SALE—Young purebred Berkshire Boar, about 200lbs. Yours for current market price for live hogs. H.Kehm Rutledg. Farm, Queenstown,Md.

LETTERS TO SANTA

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl eight years old and I help to wash the dishes, I go to school every day and I go to Sunday school every Sunday. I mop the upstairs, I go to the store, I tend to my baby sister. Please bring me a pair of skates a sewing set a telephone set, a nurses set a cooking set, a doll baby a cooking stove a street bicycle and a pair gloves.

Your friend
Catherine Morris

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl eight years old. I go to Sunday school every Sunday and school every day I help my mother wash dishes and tend to the baby, I go to bed when she tells me. Please bring me a cow girl set, a bank, a pair of skates, a street bicycle. a sewing set, a pair of stocking a hat, a coat, a pair of boots.

Your friend
June Kautman

Dear Santa Claus---I am a little girl ten years old, I help mother, I go to school, I wash the dishes and sweep the porch. I would like to have a bicycle, books, games, pair riding pants, pair riding boots, ice skates, ice skating suit.

Yours truly
Helen M. Aldridge

Dear Santa Claus---I am a little girl nine years old. I help my little sister June wash the dishes. I go to school every day, I go to the store for mother, I tend to the baby. Will you please bring me these things, a knitting set, a companion, a sweater, don't forget my brothers and sisters. I will close now, so good-by until Christmas night.

Your friend
Anna Blunt

Dear Santa Claus—I am a good girl I help mother every day. I run errands, I dry the dishes. Please bring me a pair of skates, a new coat, and a hat. Please trim the tree with different colored bulbs and silver tinsel.

Your little friend
Jean Morris

Dear Santa Claus---I am a little girl nine years old and I want a lunching set, a bicycle, a doctors set, some clothes. Please bring me some candy, oranges and nuts.

Your little friend,
Margaret Greaves

Dear Santa Claus--- I hope you are well. I am 5 years old and try to help mother and daddy. I go to school. I would like for you to bring me an electric train, tractor set, Doctor's set, sled, truck and anything else you think I may like Don't forget mother, daddy, Billy grandmother, aunt Elsie and uncle Julis.

Your little boy
Bobby Comegys.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy nine years old, every afternoon after school I help father cut wood and bring it in the kitchen. Will you bring me a fort and soldiers, an air rifle, model airplane, pair of hip boots, and a suit of clothes.

Your little friend
Milton Anthony.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old,I go to school every day. I wash the dishes for mother, I tend to the baby. Please bring me a big doll, and my brother and I some candy. I want a baby coach and umbrella.

Your friend
Elsie Roser