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You Want to Help Defense? Now Is Your Chance

Do You Know OFF THE CUFF

That Dick Greaves has discovered the man who talks too much is as tiresome as an old phonograph record.

That according to ex-Mayor Thompson, you can generally judge the character of a proposition by check up who is backing it.

That a man in Caroline county has applied for his 32nd flivver license. "Yep it runs pretty good yet," was his reply to a query.

That "Jim Farley" the postoffice cat of Ridgely went off on a vacation and the natives were worried because of his sudden take off. The cat came back.

That John Smith, the keyman for the truckmen of P. Flannigan & Son is sorry to learn that the barber and beer dispenser of Queenstown, have, or will join the beauty parlor union, that is: If you want a shave or a haircut or a bottle of 7-up or a beer you will have to make an appointment. This move will allow them ample time for their afternoon nap and beauty bath.

That Cook Orrell, one of Centreville's leading politicians, tells the folks termite have caused some alarm in Washington. When the pesky things eat the desk right from under the jobholders feet, that's bad.

That farmers are busy combining their barley crop, which they claim is above average. Some of them started cutting and combining their wheat crop Wednesday, which promises to be well filled and good grain. The recent rains have pushed the recent planted corn ahead.

That both hard and soft crabs are getting more plentiful but, the price still holds good. Hard crabs 40 cents a dozen, soft crabs and peelers one dollar per dozen.

That the rains ought to soften up some of the ink of our delinquents so they can send us a check for the amount due.

This is the way Wagner the Donut man sees it: "Those who give big bargains in business find plenty of customers coming back to them. Those who give liberally of their time and energy in daily work or service to the home town, find plenty of reward coming back to them."

Three Sports Close Call in Storm

Three young men in a fourteen-foot dinghy narrowly missed disaster Tuesday when their craft was overtaken by a sudden storm in Chesapeake Bay and started to ship water.

The ferry boat John M. Dennis rescued the trio as they were attempting to get to the Eastern Shore.

Starting from Annapolis in clear weather, James and William Lee Randol, brothers, of Woodbrook, and Yvone Kirkpatrick-Howat, of Contee Plantation, all in their early twenties, were bound for Rhode river, about ten miles down the bay when they ran into a near cloud-burst accompanied by high wind and waves.

The Dennis, skippered by Capt. Gardner Higgins, sighted them about one hundred yards away and went to their assistance. The boat was hauled aboard as well.

The three, wearing only shorts, shirts and sneakers, were thoroughly drenched and suffering from the cold. They were returned to Annapolis aboard the Dennis and were given blankets and coffee.

Deadrise For Sale—39 feet long 9 1/2 beam, fully equipped except motor for \$100. Apply to Teany Jones, Chester, Md.

Two Radios For Sale Cheap—Apply to Nelson Swann, Queenstown, Md.

PERSONALS FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mrs. Franklin Roberts who underwent an operation at the Easton Emergency Hospital several months ago, was able on Wednesday to call on her many friends, but she is still weak.

Mr. Robert Beard of Baltimore, after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Anthony and family returned home Saturday. Bob had a large time with the hardheads and the beer drinkers.

Mr. William Glock finds much pleasure in arising early in the morning and getting his mower going. He is able to keep his lawn and shrubbery fit for inspection.

Miss Mamie Adams of Baltimore, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Lane over the weekend.

Uncle Billy Bishop who has been busy with his farming operations was in town with his many friends on Tuesday. He has been absent for over two months when generally he is a daily caller. He says he never felt better in health for many years.

Guy Harmon Boosting for Queen Anne's

Not being satisfied with putting Queenstown and surrounding community with a Lions Club second to none on the Shore, Guy Harmon, who is giving Blakeford a record place in the Guernsey class, is now busy perfecting an Eastern Shore 4-H Club Fair, which is scheduled to be pulled off July 30.

Guy has the backing of the State Fair Board who has donated \$300 for the event. Guy hopes to get all the counties of the Shore interested. John Clark, the Field Representative for the State Fair Board, will be the leadoff man for the committee in charge.

Maryland to Save \$3,000,000 in Interest

A saving to the State of Maryland of approximately \$3,000,000 in interest over a period of thirty years was announced Tuesday by Governor Herbert R. O'Connor, as a result of a sale of \$6,000,000 Maryland Bridge Revenue Refunding Bonds covering the Potomac and Susquehanna River spans.

The cost to the State for interest under the new bond issue is 2.09%, as against a cost of 3% for the original Maryland Bridge Revenue Bonds dated October 1, 1938.

The refunding of the bonds, therefore, will give the State a savings of approximately \$100,000 annually over a period of thirty years. The lower interest rate also will result in freeing the bridges of tolls at an earlier date and save users of the bridges many thousands of dollars in tolls.

Revenues on the Susquehanna and Potomac River bridges have exceeded expectations by far. The Susquehanna bridges has been a much greater money-maker. It already has produced enough revenue to pay the debt service on both bridges.

Bread Prices Airplaning

Bread prices will probably follow the rise of cakes, rolls and pies according to city bakers.

A fifty per cent increase in the cost of shortening, a 70-cent increase in the cost of a barrel of flour, and competition of defense industries for labor were cited Tuesday as "the logic of the situation," and bakers pointed out that they aren't in the business to lose money.

The large bakers have not yet raised the price of bread, and were unwilling to say what they will do in the future. They merely pointed already raised the prices on cake, neighborhood bakers, however, have already raised the prices on cake, rolls and other bakery products.

Piney Neck Tips

Large number of our citizens enjoyed the bay breeze at Love Point and Matapeake on Sunday evening and to bid their friends and relatives adieu.

Joe Bryan oftentimes was proud to warble his favorite song: "Who has seen my Airdale?" Archie Coursey is yelling: "Who shot my Police dog?" We promise that the battle of Slippery Hill will be tame if Archie finds the cruel person.

Mrs. Thomas J. Melvin who has been spending a short vacation with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hermon C. Strong of Haddenfield, N. J. attended the military wedding of her granddaughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth Strong to Lieutenant Lawrence Stratton at Fort Dix, N. J.

We must all pour out a chunk of sympathy for Kenneth Porter who lost his idol, Miss Nancy Patricia Porter, when she became the wife of Fred Stone Sawyer of Lemoyne. Nancy was a favorite with the young set and her departure from Grassonville to Pennsylvania ten years ago was a heart breaker to her school mates.

In the death of Mrs. Alberta Virginia Coursey at the ripe age of 86 years, Grassonville and vicinity loses a grand old lady and one of the oldest citizens, as all her school mates has long since passed to the great beyond. She married the late Charles O. Coursey 65 years ago when she came with him to then Ford's Store, where she has resided ever since. She is survived by two sons, Guy Coursey and Sheriff Edward Earl Coursey and five daughters, Mrs. Thomas McGuire, Mrs. Norman Pierson, Mrs. Edward Thawley, Mrs. William Newcomb and Miss Caroline Coursey. Her grandchildren acted as pallbearers at the funeral services last Friday.

Mr. Bradford Eaton of Wye Point Cottage, had as his weekend guests, Dr. Herman Pedra of New Jersey and Mr. William Jones of Philadelphia, Pa.

The many friends of Mrs. Lettie Porter, extend their sympathy in her sad misstep in falling down stair which resulted in a broken arm, while on a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Horney. She returned to her home near Washington, D. C., and is now a patient at the Sanatorium. Her advance age may cause her to suffer much pain longer than a younger person.

Some of our draftees are expecting their summons to Uncle Sam's service any day. They are on a vacation until the time arrives.

Fishing never was better. Better get your fishing equipment in shape before the nibblers get busy.

Most of the oyster shells at the Narrows have been planted on our local oyster grounds by our local oystermen. Those planted last season gave a good account of the good work of our Conservation Commission.

Any Sunday you want to see a soft ball game you will have to visit Centreville or Chester. We miss our Club.

Special Service Held At Catholic Church

The Catholic Church in the United States is one of the chief bulwarks of the nation the Rev. John J. McGee, assistant rector of St. Teresa's Church, Port Deposit, asserted Sunday at a military field mass commemorating the two hundred and thirty-seventh anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's Church, oldest Catholic church on the Eastern Shore and original site of Georgetown University.

About 600 persons from Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Virginia attended.

A detachment of seventy soldiers of the One Hundred and Twenty-second Coast Artillery Regiment, Fort DuPont, Del., participated in the ceremonies, over which the Most Rev. Dr. Edmund J. Fitzmaurice, Bishop of Wilmington, presided.

Loan Value of Wheat Crop Above a Dollar

Farmers are much encouraged over the prospects for wheat returns this year. It appears now that unless the open market price for wheat reaches parity value, \$1.14, or above much of the 1941 wheat crop will go into storage, largely in city elevators, and the farmers will secure advance loans on the wheat while retaining title to it. The farmer gives a non-recourse note. The notes are backed by warehouses receipts and the Commodity Credit Corporation. The various charges in storage accumulate against the wheat (loading, storage, freight, conditioning, insurance, etc.) The loans may run until April 30, 1942. If in the meantime wheat advances to the point that it is worth more than the loan plus the accumulated charges, the farmer still has title to the wheat and has an equity in the crop. By paying off the loan and the charges, he repossesses the wheat and sells it for the higher price. If on the other hand wheat stands still or decreases in value, the wheat with the accumulated charges incident to storage becomes the property of the Commodity Loan Corporation at the end of the loan period. The farmer has no worry because of the non-recourse or "no-come-back" note used.

The loans on the wheat are a very definite stabilizing force by eliminating the dumping of most of the wheat on the market immediately after the threshing or harvesting of the crop they prevent the big downward slumps in price which carry away all hope of profit on the crop. The loans make possible orderly marketing at a fair price to the farmer to his great advantage and that of the business men with whom the farmers deal. The loans on stored wheat of the 1941 crop were made possible by the farmers acceptance of wheat marketing quotas. The marketing quota is a device which allots or divides the marketable quantity of wheat equitably among all the commercial growers of the country. Over 80% of the farmers voting in a nationwide poll on May 31 voted for the application of marketing quotas.

In Queen Anne's over 96% of the vote was in approval of the marketing quota idea. Farmer's now follow the lead of industry in that they also use production control (through reduced acreage and production while conserving their soil, also saving tillage and harvesting expenses) and then by orderly marketing, secure a fair price for the reduced crop. This would not be possible with full force production and excess supply (no export market of volume) means a very low price per bushel and little return for the entire crop. Under such conditions of suicidal prices the greater the effort made by the farmer the worse off he would become and bankruptcy eventually becomes the common lot.

Not all details of the loan-storage plan are available at this date but all the forms will be ready before wheat threshing begins. Present indications are that local grain buyers will act as brokers for their farmer customers in loading, consigning, shipping, freight, paying, (transit rate) and securing warehouse receipts for the grain in the growers name. Likewise it is anticipated that local banks will handle the loans to farmers, such loans secured by the warehouse receipts and guaranteed by the Commodity Credit Corporation (representing the government of the United States).

When the farmer's warehouse receipt is received by him, he takes it to the County Agent's office where he turns it over to the Treasurer of the Agricultural Conservation Association as security for the note he signs in the amount of the value of the stored wheat. At the office he arranges the distribution of the money to be loaned by the bank (or the Commodity Credit Corporation) so that various charges are paid off by the bank and the farmer receives the net amount of the loan at once if the banking is done lo-

cally. With storage facilities available and with loans guaranteed and in fair amount, unless the open market price competes successfully. In either event the farmer will get well over a dollar a bushel for good No. 2 light garlicky red winter wheat.

Crab Plants Sanitary Conditions Good

With oysters enjoying their usual summer vacation and crabs playing the leading part on the shellfish menu, sanitary supervision of the seafood industry by the State Department of Health is centering on crabs and crab handling plants.

Preliminary inspections of the various plants in Maryland were made before the season opened, under the direction of Mr. A. L. Sullivan, Chief of the Bureau of Food and Drugs of the State Department of Health.

The results of these preliminary inspections were generally favorable, Mr. Sullivan said, and showed that the operators of such plants are becoming more and more "sanitary requirement conscious," particularly with regard to the necessity of placing the plants in good sanitary condition at the beginning of the season and of keeping them so. The operators have grown more and more aware also, he said, of the importance of personal cleanliness on the part of the employees and of careful handling of the products to prevent contamination, and of the necessity for quick refrigeration of the crabmeat to prevent spoiling.

"The sanitary supervision of the crabmeat industry," Mr. Sullivan continued, "closely parallels that of the oyster industry. Like that, it is a question of supply and demand—demand on the part of the public that the product they buy and use, be fresh, of the best quality possible, clean, and free from contamination."

"Largely as a result of the investigations and inspections made in cooperation with the U. S. Food and Drug Administration, there has been a steady improvement in the way in which the product has been handled. Last year, for example, the amount of crabmeat condemned was negligible."

Horse Show Scheduled Saturday In Kent

The horse show season will get under way in Kent county this Saturday at 1 o'clock, when the third annual horse show and race meet will be staged at Radcliffe Driving Park here under the direction of a committee headed by Miss Gloria Eck, prominent horsewoman of the county.

The proceeds of the show, which is attracting a large entry list from several States, will be donated to the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company to aid in defraying the cost of a new fire engine recently purchased at a cost of \$3,500. All entries will be free and post entries will also be received.

The program includes eleven exhibition classes, including an exhibit of yearlings and two-year-old colts and fillies suitable to become hunters, three running races for ponies, halfbreds and standard-bred horses, and a special event for trotters and pacers.

ANNOUNCEMENT

"Announcement is made that Mr. Norman P. Foster, Manager of the Salisbury Field Office of the Social Security Board, will be in Centreville on Tuesday next, June 24, 1941. He will be available for interview on that day at the Post Office between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 noon."

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

A LOT FOR SALE—a desirable building lot in the heart of Queenstown for sale. Address John C. Wallis, Queenstown or Centreville, Md.

Save Us from The Enemy

Defense production has made a place in the sun for the man who wants to work with his hands.

For the first time in a decade there are more machines to be operated than there are men who are trained to operate them.

To find men and to train them, the government is financing free courses in many trades in vocational schools, high schools and junior high schools under the National Defense Training Program. The Maryland State Employment Service is helping to find the men and to place them in employment after training.

Individual companies also are establishing schools within their plants. One such school has just been started by the Bartlett-Hayward division of Koopers Company in Baltimore.

Youngsters just out of school and men in their forties are being employed as machine helpers or learner operators at regular pay for regular work in the plant. They also are paid time and half in cases where the company's classroom work is outside regular hours.

The course lasts two weeks and is designed to prepare men for higher paid jobs as machine operators in the Bartlett-Hayward organization. Classroom instruction is augmented by training under skilled machinists during the working hours of the day.

The plan is meeting with quick response from Marylanders who desire to increase their ability and earning power in industry, according to Elmer F. Bell, who is in charge of the training course for Bartlett-Hayward.

Hunters Licenses Now Ready

Nearly 80,000 State hunting licenses were distributed to the clerks of courts of Maryland counties this week by the game and Inland Fish Commission.

A postal card is attached to each license being distributed for the 1941-42 season, to enable the hunter to comply with the provisions requiring him to report his kill. Kill reports, according to the law, must be mailed not later than January 15 of next year, on penalty of fine of \$2.

In addition, the assembly repealed the feature of the law which enabled a non-resident landowner assessed at \$500 or more on the tax book of any county or purchase either a county resident or a State wide hunting license from the clerk of the court of the county in which his lands were assessed. In the future, the law requires all non-resident landowners to buy non-resident licenses.

Kolmer said the types and numbers of license mailed out to the court clerks were:

County resident licenses, costing \$1.25 each—61,350.
State-wide licenses, costing \$5.25 each—14,140.
Non-resident licenses, costing \$15.50 each—1,720.

In addition to these general hunting licenses, the tidewater county court clerks also received:

Duck-blind licenses, costing \$5.50 each—1,900.
Sneak-boat licenses, costing \$5.50 each—140.
Pushers' license, costing \$5.50 each—60.
Four-day non-resident wild water fowl licenses, costing \$5.50 each—600.
License prices include a 25-cent fee which is retained by the clerks of courts.

Safety Slogan For This Week

The Maryland Traffic Safety Commission's slogan for the week beginning June 16th, is as follows: "It Takes Longer To Report A Traffic Accident Than It Does To Prevent One."