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Do You Know

OFF THE CUFF

That the householders of the Fifth and Fourth districts ought to have a heart for our firemen and have their home chimneys cleaned out every Fall, whether they need it or not. Please remember, that our firemen are on watch twenty-four hours a day and also forest fires.

That according to Joe Ginsberg it would be a waste of time and money to take a Gallup poll to find out if folks still believe you can get something for nothing.

That Bill Lane opines the Golden Wedding is perhaps the finest endurance record ever established by human beings.

That Clyde Embert opines, worry will make anybody think—except those who worry about being fat.

That Dick Earle thinks the smart est thing a fellow can learn is that he don't know much and generally that didn't come until he's past 50.

That Jack Dempsey, who licked eight Germans in three minutes with his tough fist, was turned down by the Army board on account of his age—46 years. Jack told the recruiting officer that he did not want to be an officer, but just a plain soldier with a gun to mow down the Germans and Japs.

That according to the citizens of Sharptown, which ranks third in Dorchester county industries, is at war with the school authorities because they want to close their high school, and bus the children to Salisbury.

That John Sudy asks: "Ain't it grand to live in a country where you can belong to any church you want to stay away from on Sunday for a golf or a fishing trip"

That it look to Charlie Schriner under the ruling of the Coast Guard Capt. Alfred Schwietser, will have to pay a license for his sail yacht, the same as the smallest or largest motor boat.

That Delmar with a population of 2200 claims to have the smallest loss from fire in 1941—five dollars. Grasonville with a population of 1100, fire losse only amounted to $2200 in 1941.

That faces and fingers throughout Queen Anne's county, Tuesday morning had an unusual tint that they did not have to purchase from the local drug store. The bulb checked at 12 degrees above zero with a Spring breeze.

That many lakes are being guarded for duration of the war. The beautiful Wye Mills lake, a fifteen-acre splash, isn't guarded as yet and is now the best place in the country for after-night parking, according to John Butt Thomas Roe. The timber, the shrubbery, the inlets and the high banks back of the church with its endless supply of pure spring water, makes it an ideal parking resort. Come on love birds and spend a nice quiet evening out of range of autos lights and sightseers.

That a printer over at Federalsburg way, about to enlist in the navy, offers this one:

I'm laying down my planer,
For its had my last tap:
But I'll take along my mallet
And use it on a Jap!

That there are a great many in our community who have not signed up for defense work. There is something that every one can do and your services might be needed at any hour. If you are among the list who have not done your duty, do it this week. To win this war every man, woman and child can do their part. See George Aldridge for information if you want to join the Airspotters group. The women of Grasonville relieve the men in the day time, why not our women in Queenstown do the same thing?

PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mr.Harvey Bailey of Centreville, who has been spending the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. William McClyments of Bloomingdale, gave his daughter a few days outing with friends and relatives in Baltimore, last week.

That Al Quimby has figured it out, if Goebbels manages to capture the Russian army three more times in succession, he will be allowed to keep it.

Joseph Anthony, chief employe of the Friel Lumber Company, has returned home from the Easton Hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis and an ulcerated stomach. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery, and hopes to see him among his many friends.

Give a Book For Freedom

Everybody in the twenty-three counties of Maryland is being asked this week to donate at least one good book for the use of the men in the armed forces and defense industries. This appeal has been sent out from the State headquarters of the Victory Book Campaign in Baltimore.

"All kinds of books are needed," according to the appeal, which was issued by Mauritz Hallgren, chairman of the campaign in the Maryland counties. "Our men need many books, millions of them, to help keep up their morale, to aid them in their technical training, to amuse and divert them in their leisure moments.

"Remember, too," the appeal continued, "that books are living symbols of American freedom. In Nazi Germany they have been burning books, burning whole libraries, becausethe Nazis fear the power of knowledge. Here in America we believe in knowledge, for we know that it is the truth that sets men free. Let's show the dictators what we really think of them and their methods by flooding our military camps and stations with good and useful books.

"So give a book for freedom. Give more if you can. Make a cash donation if you can't give books. Write or phone everyone you know and ask them all to donate boks to this important cause. Let's all pull together and it will take very little time to round up the books is urgently needed by our soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, coast guardsmen, and defense workers."

The campaign opens next Monday January 12th, and will run until February 4th.

Our Firemen Have Been Kept Busy

The Queenstown Volunteer Firemen was kept busy Tuesday. Their first call was to extinguish a chimney blaze for Freddie Coleman, colored, on the edge of Grasonville, with no damage.

Thier second call about noon, to a colored tenant house on the Mary Anthony farm, adjoining Wye Mills. The house and contents and the only one at home, Jeannette Carter, colored, aged about 21, were destroyed. Jeannette was begged by our firemen to leave the building, but she refused. One of the men said she must have thought she had on an asbestes suit, but it failed to save her life. No one could tell our firemen the origin of the fire, but they think it started from an overheated stove.

They had hardly got a chance to get a lunch before they were called to watch the chimney of the home of Thomas Quimby, near Matapeake burn out. The boys said that Tom is a gentleman, a scholar and a judge of what firemen need on a cool bracing evening. He kept them supplied with hot coffee, real Smith field ham and what goes with it. They will see to it in the future whenever Tom calls they will be on the job, promptly.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Pinder of Baltimore, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berry.

Piney Neck Tips

Mrs. Jessie Rennie who has accepted a position in Baltimore, was home for the weekend, as she still holds her home in Grasonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wrightson returned home Saturday after spending several days with relatives and friends in Baltimore.

Jacob Baker is not so young that he does not crave excitement, so he took a few days off and visited relatives and friends in Baltimore.

OPM Approves Prison Labor War Work

Official approval has been given by the OPM to the use of Marylands prison population in war production, Governor O'Conor revealed Monday.

To this end, the OPM has asked the Governor to supply it immediately with a complete survey listing the various skills of the prisoners and information as to how many could be trusted for work outside the institution's walls.

Approval of the utilization of the services of skilled workmen, principally tool makers and metal work ers, followed a conference Governor O'Conor held with officials of the OPM over the weekend.

The Governor said he would have prepared immediately the skill survey of the 3,150 inmates of Maryland's penal institutions.

In advising the Governor that it approved of his suggestion, the OPM explained that it is prepared to take the following steps:

Use skilled workers, probably, in the machine and metal-working shops of the institutions, on the production of machine parts.

Use non-skilled inmates for road building adjacent to air fields and military reservations.

Install courses at the prisons to train inmates in specialized crafts so that upon their release they will be fitted for skilled war production.

In conference with the Governor, he said the OPM officials said that the Federal Government would sponsor the prison training and choose the crafts that would be taught, specializing in those in which there is at present a shortage of man power.

The Governor also was asked, he said, to give some thought to the problem of housing prisoners who might be engaged in outside work.

Governor O'Conor said he was prepared to proceed on this problem immediately, since Maryland for some time past has been using prison labor on road work and that at present it has several prison camps.

It was suggested during the conference, according to the Governor, that any expense that might be incured in connection with work relating to air fields or military reservations would be borne by the Federal Government would pay for any camps that are erected.

RED CROSS SUNDDAY, JAN. 11

The American Red Cross, through its National Headquarters, has designated next Sunday, January 11, as "Red Cross Sunday," in the hope that every pulpit in America will be an interpreter of those eternal varities—compassion, pity, and aid—esentially exemplified by the Red Cross.

It is very much hoped that those Churches in Queen Anne's County that are able to carry out this plan of the Red Cross will do so, even though the notice is short. A personal announcement from the Pastor will be appreciated.

(Signed) Thomas Donaldson
Chairman: Red Cross Publicity.

Inside Story of a King's Tragic New Love

Princess Amelie Karapow reveals the true and moving details of a captive monarch's marriage with a commoner's daughter who has taken his beautiful queen's place in his heart. Don't miss this illustrated feature in the January 11th issue of The American Weekly, the big magazine distributed with the Baltimore Sunday American. On sale at all newsstands.

To Keep Fit, Heads up

Stressing the importance of good posture and an aid in keeping fit, Dr R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health , said that though the advice often given by President Roosevelt to "keep your chin up" is usually intended to strengthen individual morale, it is equally appliciable to physical well being.

"Heads up and deep breathing" could very appropriately lead the list, Dr. Riley said, of personal habits that are a special help in strengthening one's resistance to disease. "The human mechanism requires a constantly supply of clean, fresh air," he continued, "to keep functioning properly. We all know when we are 'food hungry,' but we don't realize what is the matter with us, when we are droopy or drowsy or below par physically because we are 'air-hungry'.

"To take the necessary supply of air into the lungs you have to learn to breathe deeply. You can't breathe deeply when you slump and slouch. To get a deep, satisfying breath of fresh air—whether indoors or out-of-doors you have to hold your head up.

"Physiologists explain that good posture and good breathing habits bring the whole frame work of the body into better alignment and help to tone-up the entire system and make it more resistant to disease. With heads up, chest out—not narrowed and contracted—and abdomen flat, there is greater room for expansion of the lungs, free action of the heart, and better circulation of the blood. The digestion is benefited, in turn, through the toning-up of the muscles supporting the whole digestion apparatus.

"But the toning-up does not end with physical fitness. Heads up, shoulders squared and good breathing habits,help to strengthen the moral muscles also. There is a certain self respect that comes with heads up; and courage, too, to face whatever comes. Try it, and see for yourself."

MRS. CLEMENTINA JONES

Mrs. Clementina Jones, wife of the late Walter Jones, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary E. Richards, Newport, Del., Thursday January 1, 1942, age 59 years. She has been under treatment for over a year, but never gave up until several weeks ago when she was taken to the Easton Emergency Hospital for an operation, after which she continued to grow weaker, and was removed to her daughter's a week before her demise in the hope that a specialist could help her but to no effect.

She is survived by her only daughter, Mrs. Roland Richards of Newport, Del., two brothers, James F. Boyles of Queenstown, and William G. Boyles of Willoughby, and one sister, Mrs. Risdon Dulin of Starr, and three grandchildren, Bobby, Roland, Jr., and Maritina Richards.

Funeral services were held at the Queenstown M. E. Church, Sunday at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Jones had been a strict member of this church since girlhood, and all the folks of Queen stown were her slosest friends.

CHARLES A. BAXTER

In the death of Charles A. Baxter, the Second district loses a highly respected citizen at the young age of 75 years. He died at his home in Church Hill after a lingering illness Besides his widow, he is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Don. T. Falls of Chestertown and Miss Elizabeth M. Baxter of Easton, besides three brothers, J. Frank Baxter, A. Sudler Baxter and E. Joseph Baxter all of Kent county.

Misse Violet Baker and Adelaide Baker who are now working in Baltimore, spent the weekend with their mother, Mrs. Clinton Baker.

FOR RENT—Apartment above The News office. All modern conveniences. Possession January 5. Apply to M. W. Aker.

Who's Who In Political Circles

Well, we don't know if Mike had too much holidays or just a case of chronic lassitude, but, be what it may, he has not been so warm getting political news together. He claims it is the cool morning and bracing air that caused the delay. He hands in this little material:

It looks that Raymond Horney may get the appointment to fill out Judge Thomas J. Keating's term, being that he and the Judge are home town boys. But, it looks that Raymond will have a battle royal at the November election with Herbert Balch of Easton. The lawyers claim with all the Judges on this end caused delay in getting legal papers adjusted before a Judge as the closest Judge is 20 miles away, while if Talbot had a judge the law yers of Queen Anne's would have Denton, Chestertown and Easton at their service. Well, it would be well for the voters to have time to consider which is best or entitled to the plum.

Our old friend, Harry Hopkins of Kent Island, who has been playing the political ground hog, was in the office Tuesday, and was busy to know what was doing politically? We couldn't give him any information, but we thought that Harry was about ready to heave his hat in the ring for another term for County Commissioner. Well, he has plenty of folks living that will vouch for the good work he did as County Commissioner. Our advice to Harry would be to contact Tom Price or Charles Bright as they might give him a lift. Best wishes to you Harry!

The Cambridge Democrat-News is boosting Senator Dudley G. Roe for Congress, an excrept was published in the Christmas issue of The News. Now Max Chambers in his Annapolis News is coaxing Mayor Howard Jackson of Baltimore, to heave his hat in the ring for Governor. This is the way Max sees it:

"Anne Arundel County friends of Mayor Howard W. Jackson are beginning to wonder if His Honor is slipping as a political strategist, or if he is playing the game acording to Hoyle's politics and keeping his powder dry for an opportune time to open fire."

Every Democrat in Maryland feels that the popular Mayor is either going to make a try for the Governorship or support some one with sufficient political oomph to stage a real contest against the incumbent.

"What keeps the happy warrior silent while the rival faction is making hay puzzles his County friends no end.

"Some think he has taken a leaf from the Roosevelt book and will keep the political quarterbacks busy guessing until midsummer, then turn loose a whirlwind campaign of sufficient velocity to sweep all opposition off its feet.

Those pleasant days during the holidays and the home gatherings, caused the little political bee to buzz around Starr way and what could be gathered from the comb was that our good old friend, George Davitt Neavitt, could only give his district, but his county real representation in the Legislation. Give him a chance to prove his worth.

It is said that Linwood Moore up Centreville way feels that he could hold the Sheriff job down with the long experience he has had as constable. He feels that he is friendly with the voters from Crumpton to Kent Point and that he would like to have the opportunity to test out their personal and political friendship. Good luck to you Lin.

NOTICE

In case of fire please call the fire house from 6 p. m. to 6 a. m. phone No. 2021-2371. Also please post some one at your lane or gate so we will know where to go.

Signed
Charles Anthony, Chief.

State Described As "Target Area"

Maryland is in a "target area" because of its proximity to Washington, T. Semmes Walmsley, of Washington, Deputy National Director of Civilian Defense, told seventy-five newspapers, radios and motion-picture theatre executives late Tuesday evening at Annapolis.

If any token raids are attempted Mr. Walmsley said, enemy aircraft most likely would strike at Washington first. If the raiders were turned away by interceptor planes, they naturally would drop their loads near the target—perhaps in Maryland, he declared.

Governor O'Conor, also stressing the need for the State to be prepared for any eventuality, said the Naval Academy, training officers for the two-ocean navy, might be the target for an attack.

Mr. Walmsley was principal speaker at the civilian-defense meeting at which the conferees were asked to assist in an effort to give Marylanders "dependable news" and to explain to citizens their civilian-defense responsibilities.

If there are no air raids in this country, Mr. Walmsley said the training and discipline given citizens would "stand them in good stead the rest of their lives."

To meet the Axis challenge, "our war effort and production must be greater than theirs," he declared. "They'll try to slow us down by sabotage, by attack or threats.

"We should see that threats do not interfere with our production. Our job is to prepare for any eventuality so the people can meet conditions in a normal way."

He said he hoped the press would insist that every Marylander know the part he is to play in civilian defense.

Governor O'Conor asserted that Maryland would "continue to prepare for the worst." He added that the assistance of newspapers, radio and motion picture theatres was "sorely needed" to give citizens "complete public information" about defense matters.

He also said the State would welcome any suggestion from representatives of the three industries regarding civilian defense.

Earlier Issac S. George, of the Maryland Defense Council, outlined the State's civilian defense organization. He said the women's and county groups were working smoothly. One of the best defense reports was received from Easton, he added.

Mr. George said although Maryland stood twelfth in the nation in collecting aluminum during the recent campaign, it practically was first in the amount of aluminum delivered directly to smelters.

He also cited the importance of production, asserting that "people should know that every piece of scrap metal and paper salvaged is important in winning the battle."

W.Frank Roberts, of the Maryland Defense Council, presided.

Local Fire Company Elects New Officers

The Queenstown Volunteer Fire Company, held their annual meeting, Tuesday night, to elect new officers.

The following is a list of new officers:

B. H. Lane, President; Albert Stant, Vice-President; Edwin Seward, Secretary; E. S. Rowens, Treasurer; Charles Anthony, Chief; Kennard Morris, Assistant Chief; Arthur Anthony, Captain; Verbrook Beecher, 1st Lieutenant; 2nd Lieutenant, Wilbur Morris, Jr.; Chief Engineer, Henry Melvin; 1st assistant, Wendall Beecher; 2nd Assistant, Howard Ireland; 3rd Assistant, Bronson Willis.

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

BARBER WANTED—One that is not afraid of work. Mrs. Jerry Skaggs.