ERSONALS

and other items of Interest

and Mrs. Ralph Benjamin and nd Mrs. Douglas McCrossin all ashington, D. C. spent last Sun- with Dr. and Mrs. Frank Benja- of Leslie.

. and Mrs. Nicklas, Mr. Scott min, Mrs. Leberknight of Bay Dr. and Mrs. Frank Benjamin slie and daughter, Betty Jane, New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. uel Lorensen of Bay View.

Mrs. Frank Benjamin and daugh- Betty Jane, and Mrs. John Worth t last Friday with Mrs. William r of Kemblesville, Pa.

Mrs. F. T. F. Johnson of Washing- n, D. C. is the guest of her sister, ss Katharine Wilson.

Mrs. W. D. Murray spent New ar's with Mr. and Mrs. F. duPont on.

and Mrs. Henry Constable and spent New Year's with her , Mrs. Richard Jewett in Wash- D. C.

Sydney Dixon has returned week's visit with her parents, nd Mrs. Deacon in New York

s Betty Hurn of Baltimore, Md., he guest of Mrs. John J. Hart- uring the week-end.

A. Tolson Lyons has removed amily from Elkton Heights to partment over Lyons' Pharmacy.

s. Tobias Rudolph sustained a ssful operation for appendicitis onday night at the Chester Hos- Chester, Pa.

Mrs. George R. Ash is spending this ek in Baltimore, Md. with her nieec, s. Chauncey Brooks.

Miss Alice Pennypacker of German- n, Pa. spent the week-end with and Mrs. Reginald Constable.

Miss Mary H. Jamar spent the k-end with friends in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen F. McCune of hland Park, Pa. and Robert T. de of Johns Hopkins Medical ool, Baltimore were recent guests Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Freeman.

Mrs. Henrietta B. Cameron enter- ed the East End Sewing Circle at home on East Main Street, Sat- ay evening.

Mr. and Mrs. David Randolph are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son on December 23.

Mr. and Mrs. John Beers are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son at the Homeopathic Hospital, Wilmington, Del.

Miss Jane Evans has returned to Hood College after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. F. B. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Blake have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Emily, to Mr. Robert W. Cameron of Rising Sun, Md.

Mrs. Phoebe Vandegrift died suddenly at her home in Wilmington, Del. Saturday, January 1, age 84 years. The funeral was on Tuesday, January 4, interment in the Elkton Cemetery. She is survived by nine children, one of whom is Mrs. Charles Gatchell of Elkton.

Miss Ann Cameron of Wharton, Maryland was a week-end guest of the Misses Bratton at the Hermitage.

Mr. Sam King and daughter, Miss Jane, were Baltimore visitors last week.

Mrs. Victor Taylor is visiting friends in Narbeth, Pa.

Miss Jane Lawrence of Elk Mills was a recent guest of Miss Jane Evans.

Mrs. Gilbert Russell is visiting relatives in Winchester, Va.

Mrs. Corbit of Eastern Shore, Va. is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Peyton Harrison.

Frank Evans is confined to bed with strained ligaments of the knee, injured while playing football.

New Jersey Judge Jails Drunken Driver

Persons charged with driving while under the influence of liquor may expect jail sentences if they lose their appeal to the common pleas court at Salem, N. J. Judge Leap of that city recently imposed a three-months' sentence on a man who appealed from a police court after conviction for drunken driving. In pronouncing sentence, the judge said offenders must realize that they cannot drink liquor and drive a car. In Salem County, he said, we have had nineteen traffic deaths recently, and some of them were caused by drunken drivers.

Chester Shipyard Gets Big Order

Sun Firm To Build 3 Tankers For $9,300,000

A $37,566,004 tanker construction program began Tuesday by agreement between the Maritime Commission and the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

The commission announced Monday night the company would start building 12 high-speed vessels immediately, the commission to finance those features which make possible ready conversion of tankers to naval auxiliaries in a national emergency.

Contracts have been awarded to four shipbuilding firms, each of which will build three vessels. They are the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company; the Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation, Baltimore Yard; the Sun Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Chester, Pa., and the Federal Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Kearny, N. J.

Under the contracts the cost of the tanker would be $3,129,667, totalling $9,389,002 for each yard.

Weds Last Friday

A marriage license was issued at the office of the Clerk of the Court Friday to Mr. Ralph D. McSpadden and Miss Caroline M. Clay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clay, of Elkton. The wedding was to have taken place last night. Miss Clay is one of Elkton's most popular young women. For the past couple of years, she has been employed in the office of James W. Hughes, Esq.

Charlestown Homemakers Christmas Party

The Charlestown Homemakers Club held there annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Harry Haines on Wednesday afternoon, December 29, 1937. After a brief greeting by our new president, Miss Helen Frederick, we were entertained with numerous games and amusements by Mrs. Otis McCauley. The club also sponsored a baby picture contest, in which Miss Helen Frederick won first prize as having the best looking baby picture. Mrs. Haines won first prize for guessing the largest number of names of baby pictures. After which the program was climaxed by the arrival of Santa Claus, who distributed gifts to all that were present. Our hostess and her committee then served us with delicious refreshments of ice cream, cake, candy and salted nuts.

Seventeen members and two visitors attended, one being our county president, Mrs. Atlee Armour, whom we were very glad to have with us. We then adjourned after having a very delightful afternoon, wishing our hostess a very happy and prosperous New Year.

P-T. A. To Present A Safety Program

Sponsored By American Legion Auxiliary

The Elkton Parent-Teachers' Association will present, at its regular monthly meeting on January 12, 1938, at the Elkton Elementary School, 7.45 p. m., a program on "Safety." This "Safety Program" is being sponsored as a Community Service Project by Cecil Unit No. 15 American Legion Auxiliary, and will consist of two reels of moving pictures and a short lecture by Mr. L. Derr Sahm from the office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Sahm comes to us highly recommended by members of the local auxiliary who have heard him. His lecture and pictures will be interesting; of an educational value; and come at a time when there is much immediate need in Maryland and in Cecil County for a rigid observance of safety rules and regulations, and an understanding of the problem of safe bus transportation.

All parents, members of the local auxiliary, the American Legion, and others who are interested in safety measures and safety legislation, *particularly those dealing with children*, are cordially invited to be present. There is no charge.

Thank you
W. D. Phillips

Taxes Blamed For Lay Off Of 400

Competition Also Big Factor Manager Says

Four hundred workers have been laid off at the Delaware Rayon Company, near New Castle, Del., and a handful from the Fibre Specialty Company, Kennett Square.

A shut-down for the whole rayon plant looms within 10 days, said Leon H. Ryan, general manager of Newark, Del.

The plant was operating at 20 per cent capacity Tuesday with 100 employes.

Office employes of the fibre firm will work only three out of every four weeks until further notice, the company announced.

Mr. Ryan saw the "entire textile industry in a worse condition today than ever in its history."

He declared "there is no question that taxes and governmental regulation have had a lot to do with putting it that way."

Plant orders have fallen 75 to 80 per cent, he added, and the industry generally is operating at 25 per cent capacity.

Accumulation of heavy inventories, and competition of Japanese and Italian staple fibres contributed to the critical condition for the industry, he continued.

Imported fibres sell at 22 cents a pound. American fibre is priced at 25 cents, and that is below normal, Mr. Ryan said.

Every effort will be made to prevent a shut-down, or to reopen the plant as soon as possible, Mr. Ryan reports.

Abbott's Gift To 1938 Coming To Baltimore

"All That Glitters," the smart laugh at the smart set which George Abbott is having as his third production of the season and his first of the new year, is headed for the Maryland Theatre, Baltimore, Maryland on January 10th. Broadway will see the new comedy January 19th. Rehearsals are well under way with Mr. Abbott at the megaphone and John Root has completed his designs for the settings.

The authors of the social lark are Jack Baragawanath and Kenneth Simpson. "All That Glitters" is their first play. When the two of them are not engaged in keeping a merry eye on rehearsals, they take time out to follow their respective professions of mining engineer and physicist. Baragwanath is the amiable inventor, as well, of parlor diversions for his friends. Very full lives for a couple of authors.

Allyn Joslyn, of "Boy Meets Girl" and Hollywood fame has come out of the West to be the foremost prankster in the group of actors assembled for the gallop with Park Avenue favorites. And meeting him on his own playground is Arlenen Francis whom Mr. Abbott brought to light in "Angel Island."

Other names on the roster include a number familiar to Abbott fans. There is Royal Beals, another recruit from "Boy Meets Girl," Edith Van Cleve, a member in good standing of the Abbott Acting Company, Everett Sloane, also of "Boy Meets Girl." Carmel White, David Orrick, Judson Laire, Barry Sullivan, Helen Gardner, Jean Gusto, Beverly Phalon, Edward Lester, Florence Britton, Colin Dawson, and George Smith are the other actors joining in the festivities of "All That Glitters."

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Del. Ranks High As Agricultural State

That Delaware, in spite of her size, ranks well as an agricultural state, is shown in the General Crop Report of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture for December, 1937.

Delaware, with an area of 2,370 square miles, of which 1,965 are not under water, in 1937 harvested crops from 368,000 acres or 575 square miles and farmers in the state had a cash income from their crops and livestock products totaling $17,705,000, including government payments. For the United States as a whole, with 2,973,776 square miles of land not under water, the total land from which crops were harvested was 340,875,900 acres and the farm cash income totaled $8,499,941,000, including government payments.

While a cursory glance at these figures shows a great difference between the totals for Delaware and the nation, further study shows that the average cash income per acre of land from which crops were harvested in Delaware was $48.11 or $30,790.40 per square mile of crop land while the average for the United States was only $24.93 per acre. Putting it on a square mile basis, Delaware again shows up well when compared to the United States as a whole. For Delaware, the Agricultural cash income per square mile of dry land in 1937 was $7,470.46 while for the United States, it was $2,858.38.

Cash income for Delaware farmers in 1937 came from the following: farm crops, $8,725,000; from livestock and livestock products, $8,725,000; from government payments, $225,000; for a total of $17,705,000.

Roman Catholics To Help Japan

Among the Christian denominations which have made rapid advance in Japan is the Roman Catholic Church. In this respect, the converts, it is stated, will publish pamphlets in five languages and distribute them among the Catholics of the world, for the purpose of gaining support for Japan as against China. The propaganda will be based largely upon Japan's economic necessities, and particularly upon its need for more arable land.

Prominent among Japanese Roman Catholics are Rear Admiral Yamamoto and former Washington Ambassador Debuchi, it is claimed.

Now that Japanese Catholics are to spread propaganda and Japan has assumed a Fascist form of corporate control of its finance and commerce, thus following the mode of Mussolini and Franco in Spain and leaders in other strongly Roman Catholic countries, many wonder what other significance may be attached to the present pact among the Fascist powers against the democratic countries. It will be recalled that recognition de facto of Franco has been made by the Vatican, a sovereign power.

Must Understand People

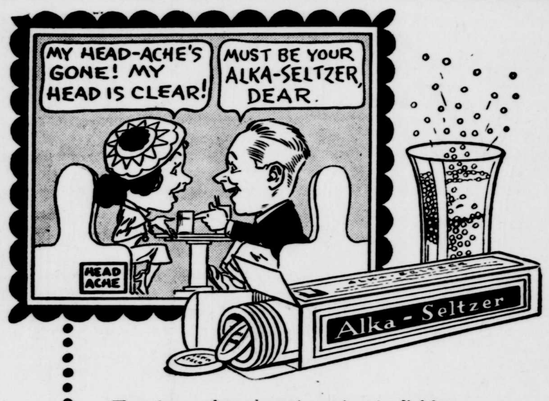
"To be popular," said Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "it often proves necessary to understand the people without allowing them to understand you."

The "Stooge"

In the vernacular of the stage, a comedian's straight man is a "stooge."

Johnny Puts On the Dog

The most conspicuous man in New York city is Johnny the Call Boy, heard on two radio programs every week. He's shown above with his pet Great Dane that is almost as tall as Johnny.



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Choice Evaporated Apricots	lb	17c
Fancy Muir Evaporated Peaches	2 lbs	27c

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