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LOCAL MATTERS

Victory For Lloyd George.—By far the most momentous development in world affairs since the signing of the armistice was the overwhelming support given Lloyd George's government by the people of England. The result of Britain's election, recently announced, shows a victory for him so complete as to amount to a popular tidal wave, sweeping aside all opposition to the Premier.

Letter From France On Tomato Can Wrapper.—Mr. James G. Beck received a letter from Charles F. Raley, formerly of Chestertown, where he was employed by Mr. Beck, written on a label from a can of tomatoes from the Baldwin Cannery in Chestertown. The letter was dated December 5 and said the contents of the can from which the label came were just consumed by another fellow and himself in France.

Big Offer For President.—At the close of his administration President Wilson may have the presidency of the University of North Carolina at $20,000 a year if he will accept it. This was learned when the advocates of sundry educators for the university presidency were urged to delay the election of a new president in the hope of interesting Mr. Wilson who it seems received the offer before setting sail for Europe. The salary, unusually big for a university president, can be provided from a large bequest from the millions of Henry M. Flagler.

M. D. & V. Abandons Pier 7.—The Maryland, Delaware & Virginia Railway Co. on Wednesday abandoned the use of Pier 7, Light street, which it has used since the consolidation of the lines of the bay shipping for light draft steamers. The property has a frontage of 31 feet on Light street. An official of the railway company said that the company just decided to give up the property and that, as boats have not been landing at this pier for some time, it would cause no inconvenience to the public. The pier space has been boarded off from the other property of the company, which extends from Pier 1 to Pier 9.

Kent Makes Good Showing.—While Kent county did not reach its full allotment in the War Savings Stamp Drive, it is likely the results will show that Kent county was among the leading counties of the state. Kent's allotment was $339,140, while stamps to the amount of $220,000 were sold. By not reaching its full allotment, Kent did like the balance of the country in this, as only about half of the amount allotted were sold. Mr. Howard Turner, of Betterton, was the chairman of this drive in Kent. Mr. Turner was tireless in his efforts and had a good organization in Kent, but the proposition was too big. A detailed account of the War Savings Campaign will appear next week.

Kent Knitters Can Rest.—Kent's army of woman knitters who did not cease work with the signing of the armistice, have been ordered by Red Cross to "stack needles," their task being completed. An inventory of articles in reserve shows sufficient on hand to meet the needs of fighting men in this country and abroad and of Red Cross relief commissions. Knitted articles now in the making will be finished and turned in to the Red Cross chapters, which will issue no more yarn. More than 10,000,000 sweaters, socks, mufflers, helmets and wristlets were turned out in the 17 months preceding the overthrow of the Central Powers. Virtually every man in the army was given woolen accessories fashioned by the tireless fingers of thousands of women who chose that method of aiding to win the war.

Seventy-Five Lucky Number.—Number 75 drew the Christmas sled offered by William Medders & Co., of Still Pond. This number was held by Miss Elizabeth Crow, the intersting little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Crow, of near Kennedyville.

Removals About Town.—Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Brooks will occupy the home of Mrs. Ellen Beck during the winter months, Mrs. Beck residing with Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Harris; Mr. J. F. Mallalieu and family have moved to Sudlersville; Mr. Harry Ricards and family have moved to Wilmington; Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Walbert, of near Lankford, have moved to near Church Hill; Lieut. and Mrs. Robert R. Ayres will move to Chestertown in the near future.

LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

—Washington College will re-open on Monday.

—Messrs. Clifton Smith and Julian Coleman caught a big raccoon one day this week.

—The first sale of Mr. S. G. Caldwell this year will be held next Wednesday, January 8.

—Last year the war and loans to our Allies cost the American people $18,160,000,000.

—The heavy rains of this week have made the roads of Kent almost impassable in some places.

—Robert Moffett & Son have an advertisement in this issue that they will buy all kinds of hides.

The Union Evangelistic meetings will begin tomorrow, Sunday night, in the M. E. Church.

—Mr. James G. Beck has left some neat calendars at The Transcript office which can be had for the asking.

—Mr. John Speicher has started a Delco-Light demonstration plant at the garage of Turner & Bennett on High street.

—Mr. Mack Patrick, the well-known pump man, has recently installed a big pump to furnish water at the Marvil Package Mill.

The use of the M. P. Church has been offered the M. E. Church during the sessions of conference which meets here in March.

—The muskrat season, which opened on Wednesday, caused great activity among the trappers. Hides are selling at a good price.

—Mr. Harry Lambert left us two ripe tomatoes on New Year's day from his garden. Mr. Lambert has several baskets of them.

—Mr. J. E. Ferguson, formerly of Kent county, has purchased a bakery in Cecilton and has moved to that town.

—Mr. A. M. Culp received seven car loads of coal one day last week. This was the first coal Mr. Culp has received for several months.

—Mr. Buck Elliott is another Chestertown man who has killed a raccoon this week. Mr. Elliott works with the telephone company here.

—Contractor Cannan has recently completed a neat tenant house on the big poultry farm of Messrs. C. E. Truslow & Son, across the river.

—A hen belonging to Mrs. W. Irving Walker stole a nest out and brought in nine chicks a few weeks ago. These were the first chicks of the season.

—It has been stated that officers were here investigating the report that many muskrats were caught before the season opened.

—While moving from this section to Massachusetts recently Mr. Foster Parker had the misfortune to have a valuable driving mare die.

—We received a pretty calendar from the progressive hardware firm of Davis & Satterfield this week. This firm's business increases each year.

—Have you got your auto license yet? The Maryland tags for 1919 are black numbers on white background.

—Mr. Frank D. Leary, the progressive Queen street merchant, found a policeman's club in a box of groceries the other day.

—The price of flour is expected to be reduced this year, according to information given out by officials. The price of wheat will, however, be maintained.

The local chapter of the W. C. T. U. will have a "tea" at the home of Mrs. W. B. Copper on Wednesday next, Jan. 8. from 3 to 5 p. m. A silver offering will be taken at the door.

—An increase in wages has been granted railroad agents, exclusive of telepraghers. The wage raise effects more than 2500 men and will begin at once.

—It is stated that the Washington College baseball team will probably play a game early in the spring with the new International League team of Baltimore.

—A Chestertown man, who had recently been injured, received a ton of coal Christmas from an unknown source. The gift was quite an acceptable one.

—Chicken thieves are making life miserable among the Cannon street chicken raisers, from Cross street to Mill street. And they don't wait until night to grab them either.

—Mr. Charles Hughes will move the small tenant house on the Eliott farm in Queen Annes to Mr. E. R. Anthony's farm. Mr. Anthony recently purchased this house.

—Some one poisoned two valuable coon dogs belonging to James Jones on Monday, both of them dying. One of the dogs was said to be the best coon dog on the Shore.

—Some of Chestertown's young men are making an effort to organize a band here. Chestertown has had several bands in the past, but has been unable to maintain one for any length of time.

—Kent farmers who put off moving until New Year's day were prevented from so doing by the heavy rains on that and the following days. The majority who moved, however, did so before that day.

—Manager L. Bates Russell has secured a number of pictures of Kent county boys who went to France and will have plates made of them and show them on the screen at the Lyceum Theatre.

—Next year will likely be one of the best years financially our farmers ever experienced. Their labor is coming back and as America must feed the world for quite a while yet our products must be high.

—A Chestertown man made the statement the other night that a friend of his from out west had planted a small patch of peanuts, turned hogs in on it, and they weighed 2000 lbs. each when they were killed. Some hogs!

—Mr. Herbert Lusby's team was stolen from a hitching rack in Chestertown Saturday night. Upon reaching home, near town, he found the team there. Some one had used the team and abandoned it, the horse finding its way home.

—Lewin Davis, colored, well known for his frequent visits to the local jail and Jessop's Cut, is back from the latter place after a year's "visit." Davis says he intends to behave himself and stay out of jail now.

—William F. Fletcher, the sixteen-year-old son of Capt. and Mrs. H. U. Fletcher, of Broad Neck, had both bones of his right arm broken between the wrist and elbow, while cranking his father's car the other day.

—The Peninsula Tomato Growers' Association met in Cambridge a few days ago to consider the tomato situation. The object of the association is to bring about a better method of marketing and disposing of the tomato crop.

—Kentucky racing associations distributed $754,155 in purses and stakes this year and donated $160,000 to the American Red Cross. Winning owners donated $702,000 more and winning jockeys and employes $25,270 additional.

—A crop of 765,000,000 bushels, or 30,000,000 bushels more than the best record, is forecast by the Department of Agriculture as next year's winter wheat yield, allowing for winter killing and spring abandonment. Last year's crop was 555,725,000 bushels.

—President Wilson said recently to Premier Clemenceau, of France: "I will try to convince you, but perhaps you will convince me." This attitude on the part of the President has made him many friends wherever he goes. He plans to return to this country on February 10.

—The heavy booming of the guns on the Proving Grounds is a gentle reminder to Kent people that peace has not yet been signed, but the continued stream of men being discharged from the army each week is pretty good evidence that it will be signed in the near future.

—The Order of Red Men elected the following officers at their meeting on Thursday night: Prophet, Jesse J. Hurd; Sachem, George Latham; Sr. Sagamore, Thomas Bryan; Jr. Sagamore, Charles Elburn; Keeper of Wampum, Walter T. Bennett; Collector of Wampum, Joseph Dwyer; Collector of Records, William F. Malin.

—Dr. Thomas Stockham Baker who, for the last ten years, has been director of Tome Institute at Port Deposit, will sever his connection with that institution on July 1 next. His resignation has been tendered in order to accept the executive position in one of the largest and most important colleges of the East, it is said.

—Members of the House Agricultural Committee studying the recommendations sent them by the Secretary of Agriculture and Food Administrator on the wheat situation in 1919, say they are convinced that the Government must provide a fund of not less than $1,000,000,000 to buy the wheat produced in 1919 and sell it at a loss in that year.

—Messrs. C. E. Truslow & Son have recently installed a mammoth "Blue Hen" incubator in their hatching plant across the river. The machine holds 6000 eggs, which can be turned with a turn of a crank. This firm now has a hatching capacity of 12,000 eggs every three weeks and they will thus be able to take care of their increasing hatching business.

—Washington Camp No. 34 P. O. S. of A. elected the following officers at their meeting last Tuesday evening: President, J. W. Russell; V. P., Samuel Spray; Master of Forms, Clark Davis; Conductor, J. B. McIntyre; Guard, W. B. Coleman; Inspector, S. E. Cooper; Recording Secretary, J. F. Wheatley; Fin. Sec., V. W. Kendall; Treasurer, E. A. Barnes; Trustees, J. W. Barnes, J. C. Davis, J. W. Russell, W. B. Coleman, Joseph Dwyer.

—Food Administrator Hoover, in Europe arranging a relief for the peoples of the war-devastated territories, has refused in emphatic terms to discuss German food conditions with Bar von Lancken and Dr. Reith, who sought a meeting with the Food Administrator. The food conditions in Germany will be attended to when the more urgent conditions in other countries has been met.

—Regarding the condition of the roads in the vicinity of Queenstown, the News, of that town, says: "We wish he Road Engineer would use his force on the road leading from town to Wye Mills and find a substitute for the long lost road bottom. If it gets much worse it will prove a good place to try out submarines or stock with eels and catfish. He said at a hearing before the county commissioners last week that the road held up last winter. Likewise other ponds and creeks."

Red Cross Notes

All those having sweaters and socks finished please return to the Chapter House at once. Those having them nearly completed kindly do so by the seventh.

Sewing for the refugees will be given out at the Chapter House Tuesday and Friday afternoons from two to four o'clock.

We are being urged from headquarters to finish these garments at once. Either do this necessary sewing at class or home.

The women of Kent County have responded so splendidly to every call the past year; they will not fail in continuing their service and time as long as needed.

Let no one suppose that the work of the Red Cross is finished.

Regular monthly chapter meeting will be held Tuesday, January 8, 12.30, at home of chairman.

JANE V. ROBINSON,
Chairman Kent Co. Chapter.

The result of the Christmas Membership Roll Call in Kent County was as fcllows:

Millington	187
Galena	300
Kennedyville	211
Still Pond	100
Betterton	132
Lynch	50
Worton	58
Fairlee	100
Chestertown	952
Pomona	34
Rock Hall	420
Total	2544

HOWARD TURNER, Chairman.
THOS. W. PERKINS, Asst. Chairman.

Feed The Birds

At this time of the year previous to severe cold weather or heavy snows, it is always necessary to call the attention of the public to the necessity of feeding the birds. A state may do a great deal in the way of restocking depleted covers, but more can be gained by saving what we have than by purchasing at great expense large quantities of birds. It is only necessary for farmers and sportsmen and bird lovers to divert a little time and a small amount of grain to save many birds throughout the State of Maryland and have large numbers of quail and other valuable birds. A shelter provided for them to protect them from the snow or a place scraped bare in the snow and feed scattered thereon will accomplish a great amount of good and the Conservation Commission of Maryland urgently requests all those who are interested to do what they can, if there is any cold weather or snow during the coming months, to save the birds.

The following little verse has been issued by Miss Gertrude Knevels, Secretary of the Forest Hills Gardens Audubon Society, as a Christmas card. It is passed on in this manner so that you will help us to feed the birds:

How big your nest is, neighbor man,
How bountiful your fare,
While small birds in the wind and snow
Are starving everywhere.

Some scattered crumbs, a little seed,
A drop of water, too,
And we will sing our gratitude,
Big brother man, to you.

CHURCH NOTES

Rev. Edmund Burk, of Earleville, who was a volunteer teacher in the Cecil county schools, has resigned and will devote his time to his church duties. Rev. Burk is well and favorably known here.

Sacred Heart Church's service flag has thirteen stars thereon.

Chestertown M. P. Church, Rev. J. L. Ward, pastor. Sunday services: Holy Communion 10.30 a. m.; S. S. F. C. Usilton, Supt., 2.30 p. m.; Union Prayer Meeting at the M. E. Church 4.00 p. m.; Union Evangelistic services in the M. E. Church 7.30 p. m. Mr. F. J. Bolwood will be present and assist in these special meetings and comes with high recommendation as to his ability and fitness as a musical director.

Rev. E. H. Dashiell, corresponding secretary of Conference Claimants and Endowment Commission, will spend next Sunday in Rock Hall with Rev. T. C. Smoot and will preach in Rock Hall morning and night and at Piney Neck in the afternoon.

St. James Church. Sunday School at 10 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. All are invited to these services. Owing to the inclement weather the Sunday School treat has been postponed until Friday, Jan. 7.

Chestertown M. E. Church, Rev. T. F. Beauchamp, pastor. Sunday services: Sermon at 10.30; S. S. at 2.15; Union prayer meeting at 4 p. m.; Union evangelistic service at 7 p. m.; sermon by Rev. J. L. Ward. Chorus choir led by Prof. Balmond.

I. U. and Betterton, Rev. S. S. Hepburn, rector. Morning services at I. U. at 11 a. m. and afternoon services with Holy Communion at Betterton at 3 p. m.

UNDER THE STARS AND STRIPES

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Lieut. Floyd Brown, who has been stationed in Virginia, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brown, in Chestertown. Lieut. Brown was one of the greatest all-around athletes that ever went to Washington College.

Letters from Mr. Barney Cooper, who is in France, state that he is well.

Mr. Harry Rouse has received an honorable discharge from service.

Mrs. C. L. Gill received a letter last week from her son, Lee, dated Dec. 1. He was on firing line at the close of the war and is in the occupation.

CAPT. BARROLL DID GOOD WORK

Former Kent Man, One Of First To Enlist, Receives Honorable Discharge

Captain L. Wethered Barroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hope H. Barroll, of Chestertown, recently received his honorable discharge from the army and has resumed the practice of law in Baltimore. Mr. Barroll was one of the first to enlist when his country needed men and did good work.

Speaking of him and his service to the country, the "Baltimore Star," in a recent issue, said:

Capt. Lewin Wethered Barroll, who performed notable service for his country in the organization of fighting units of artillery, has received an honorable discharge and returned to Baltimore to resume his law practice. Today at his office in the Continental Building he talked interestingly of his experiences, telling of one or two instances of the war occurring right on the coast of this country and heretofore unpublished. Captain Barroll's deepest regret concerning the war is that, despite repeated efforts on his part, he failed to get overseas for a close whack at the enemy. His efficiency as an organizer is no doubt largely responsible. During the early stages of the war he organized three companies of coast artillery for the Maryland Militia, and in April last, under War Department orders went to Fort Hancock, New Jersey, where he organized and commanded the 37th Regiment, C. A. C. This regiment, with Captain Barroll in charge and which included in its roster many Baltimore men of the old militia companies, was ordered aboard transports about the middle of October last, but the sailing orders were suddenly cancelled.

One company—the 21st—under Captain Barroll's command at Fort Hancock, and stationed at the time at Sandy Hook, nearby, had the novel experience of being shelled by machine guns from a German submarine off the coast. The submarine was evidently attempting to explode powder magazines on the coast, but failed in the effort. Missles from the U-boat fell all about the tents of the 21st Company, but no one was injured. The boys, angered by the attack, replied with rifle fire and the submarine finally put about and disappeared.

Probably the most notable service performed by the boys at Fort Hancock was the discovery by one of the units of an isolated house, not far from Sandy Hook, equipped with a telephone system, and which had been used by German agents to signal to U-boats and other German craft off the coast.

The three companies of Maryland Coast Artillery organized and sworn in by Captain Barroll during 1917 were the 1st, 2d and 4th, each with a roster of 119 men. The 3d Company was organized by Henry Baker, and this company, together with the 4th were afterwards organized by Robert Gill into the famous 117th Trench Mortor Battery of the Rainbow Division, which covered itself with glory in France.

Captain Barroll is a son of Hope H. Barroll, lawyer, of Chestertown, Md., and has two brothers, both of whom were in the war service, and have recently been honorably discharged. They are First Lieutenant Hope H. Barroll, Jr., of the 1st Company, Maryland Coast Artillery, who enlisted as a private and won his promotion through efficient service. He was stationed for some time at Fort Howard and afterward aided in organization work at various training camps. The other brother is Yeoman John W. Barroll, of the United States Navy, who has been serving at the naval base at Cape May, N. J. He enlisted as a seaman. Captain Barroll's wife, formerly Miss Valerie Von D. Marbury, daughter of William L. Marbury, was with her husband during his service at Fort Hancock and has returned to Baltimore with him.

Services Appreciated

When Rev. S. S. Hepburn went to Betterton Sunday to conduct services in his church there he found on the lecturn an envelope containing the following touching note:

"To our Beloved Rector: May you have a bright and happy New Year.

"Congregation of St. John-by-the-Bay, Betterton, Md."

Around the envelope was a fat roll of bank bills from the loyal little congregation of that church.

New Year's Greetings

We wish to thank our many customers and friends for their liberal patronage during the past year, and trust they will continue to deal with us during this year. We always give satisfaction---that's our secret of success.

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