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## READ, THINK, ACT.

This article is written with the view that all Kent County may understand and realize that the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Co., is run by young men without one single cent of pay. If they damage a suit of clothes fighting a fire, they put their hands into their own pocket and buy another suit; if they are hurt, they pay their own doctors bill; if they are sick from exposure, they do likewise. These men get up at all hours of the night to answer what is known as a still alarm and rush to the engine house in order to be off as soon as possible to do service to others. If the sirene blows for a fire in town, they do likewise. They stop their work on a moment's notice and respond to the alarm, never for one moment do they ask themselves whose house it is, whose barn it is, how far it is or how tired they are, but off they go to help Kent County when called upon. Last Sunday Night we were visited by a storm, little did any realize what and when this was to take place.

When the people of Chestertown assembled on Monday morning they found that three fires had taken place the night before and two still alarms took the men without telling a single soul what they were doing. The first alarm was on the farm of Mrs. Frank Jarrell's tenanted by Mr. Harry Welch. The engine broke through a small bridge when only a short distance from the house, the men left her and went to work to save and do what they could. They worked all night in an effort to get their truck out of the branch and had to get a ten-ton jack for the purpose. It was 5 A. M. when they reached home after being in water far above their knees and just think of this—one man lost a brand new suit of clothes which it was worn for the first time and cost $45.00. Who will buy him another? He will.

The second fire was at William Rasin's, Worton. The second engine could not respond, but a load of men were taken by cars to help and they did help, to the best of their ability.

Now these men are going to hold a Carnival from September 25 to October 3rd. They are going to hold the largest parade on the night of September 29th, that ever took place in Kent County. Many visiting fire companies will be in line with their engines decorated and men in uniform and with their own band; our boys are not uniformed except in Spirit and you bet you cannot beat them when you want action. Now in order to back these boys up and encourage them to further good work it is the desire of the writer of this article (who by the way is only a citizen of Kent County) and not a member of the Fire Co., itself, to ask and request every man in Kent County and every lady of Kent County to be in Chestertown on Tuesday, September 29th, 1925, not later than 6:30 P. M., and then to assemble and take part in the lead of the parade to take place that same night.

Subscription blanks are out in every section of Kent County, hunt them up, you will find them if you try, we only want to raise money enough to pay for a large band of music to represent old Kent; are you interested? If so, sign your name as we wish to provide for you that night. The Ladies will lead the parade, followed by the men of Kent County and for fear this article may not be fully understood, let me say it is for Queen Anne's as well. We have good men there, loyal to what we have, and who respond when called upon, so we want all and especially do we want to impress upon our visitors that we have the backing of the entire county.

Sign up your name, contribute as far as you are interested. Back the boys up, they need to be encouraged.

CITIZEN.

### BETTERTON

With the closing of the boarding season, Betterton, has settled back to its fall work. The New York Canners are running every day and are giving employment to a large number of men and women both from here and Still Pond. The churches have resumed their winter schedules, with Sunday school and preaching service in the afternoon and the Epworth League in the M. E. Church. Miss Virginia Owens will have charge of the Epworth League service this Sunday evening.

The Ladies Aid Society held its first fall meeting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Minster on Friday evening. The members decided to put new cement steps at the Sunday School door and possibly a cement walk if the cost was not too great.

The last meeting for the missionary year of the Womens Foreign Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Harvey Moore on Monday evening at seven thirty. An interesting program will be given and also a "Mite Box Opening Demonstration." All members are requested to bring in their mite boxes. The last blue stamps will be put on the cross making the Betterton Auxiliary for the second year have an entire blue cross.

Mr. Horace Wheeler, Miss Margaret Crew and Mr. Talbott Brice entered Washington College on Wednesday, Mr. Wheeler for his Senior year, Miss Crew for the Junior year and Mr. Brice Freshman year.

Mr. Harvey Moore and Mr. Arthur Newsome have been awarded the bus route to carry the Betterton and Still Pond children to the High school in Chestertown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Price and daughters attended the wedding of Miss Doris Nichols at Pocomoke City on Tuesday last and then to Atlantic City to attend the Beauty Pageant there.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brice spent the week-end at Ocean City, Maryland.

Mrs. Florence Clark and daughter, Miss Ethel, spent last week at Atlantic City.

Miss Elizabeth Crew, who has attended a Girl's Camp in Maine the two summer months, has returned home.

Mrs. Charles Willis is spending some time with her daughter in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Moffett moved to their new home at Bridgeville, Del., on Monday. Betterton deeply regrets the loss of Mr. Moffett and the high school here.

## PERSONALS AND SOCIALS

Editor J. Waters Russell, of the Easton Gazette, was a pleasant caller at The Transcript Office Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Russell are receiving congratulations on the arrival of a fine son.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dixon have returned to their "Green Point Farm" home from a most enjoyable tour of Canada and Northern cities.

Mrs. Jesse Maxwell has returned from a visit to New York and elsewhere.

Miss Hannah Peacock, of Massey, left for the State Normal School on Friday.

Miss Evelyn Peacock, principal of Massey School, has returned from a visit to friends in Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Waverly George, of Easton, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Duyer.

Mr. Newton Ellis, of The Idlewhile, Betterton, has taken his mother and three sisters, Misses Elizabeth and Janiet and Mrs. E. P. Mullan, of the Powelton Apts, of Philadelphia, Pa., on an extended trip to Leanado, in a new Willys Knight Automobile. On their way back they will stop in Albany to attend the marriage of Mrs. Ellis' niece, Miss Letitia Anderson, to Mr. Harold Pertee.

Dr. Ellis, of the Idlewhile, Betterton is spending his vacation in Philadelphia with his sister.

Mr. James W. Chapman, one of the oldest residents of this town, was taken to Easton Hospital by his two sons, Messrs. William Walter and James W. Chapman, Jr., Monday for rest and recuperation. Mr. Chapman, who is one of the wealthiest landowners in this county has been in feeble health for sometime.

Mr. Julian C. Coleman entertained the Sunday School class of which he is a member at his home on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rash, accompanied by Miss Anne Copper, Motored to Baltimore Thursday and spent the week-end.

### Apple Outlook In Four States

Pennsylvania, Mayland, Virginia and West Virginia orchards taken as a whole have a prospect this year of a total apple crop equal to 19,489,000 bushels, which compares with 31,200,000 harvested last year, and 27,311,000 bushels—the 5 year average (1920-1924) of harvests in that combination of States, according to information furnished by growers to the United States Department of Agriculture, says John S. Dennee, Federal agricultural statistician for Maryland. Virginia's output this season will be less than half what it was last year.

Apples to move into consuming channels from this lot of States will total 3,169,000 barrels against 4,354,000 last year, about 27 per cent less, and 16 per cent less than the 5 year average, says the Statistician.

The season has been unfavorable to apples. Growing conditions as reported ranges from 10 to 22 per cent below the 10 year average of condition on September 1 excepting in Pennsylvania the commercial crop is reported 12 per cent better than the State crop, which is given at 38 per cent of a full crop.

Maryland will make about 1,626,000 bushels, an average crop. Last year 1,749,000 bushels were harvested. About 282,000 barrels are expected to make the commercial crop. Last year 254,000 barrels were used commercially; and the 5 year average (1920-1924) is 283,000 barrels.

### Distinguished Baltimore

Baltimore, metropolis of the south, has many distinguishing characterestics. Look at what it has been in the past history.

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The linotype machine was the invention of a Baltimorean, Mergenthaler.

First umbrella in United States made there.

First Methodist Church in America organized there.

First city to refine sugar in United States.

First city to print calico and weave silk.

First metal writing pens.

First monument to George Washington.

First lodge of Odd Fellows.

First ribbon made from American silk.

First iron building in America.

First iron steamboat made there.

—Great hunting activity is excepted this year, according to State Game Warden E. Lee LeCompte, who announces that 9839 licenses were issued so far this season. The large increase was chiefly for shore birds, squirrel and dove shooting. Of the licenses 7659 were the $1 limited variety, 1928 the $5 state-wide and 252 were $10 non-resident licenses.

### ATHENS OF AMERICA

New York Said To Be Center Of Intellectual Life In United States

New York has become, beyond argument, the artistic, literary, scientific and intellectual center of the United States. Actually, those engaged in such endeavors in New York are numerous enough to form a city by themselves. There are in New York city 10,000 artists, painters, sculptors and teachers of art; 10,000 actors and actresses; 6,000 authors and journalists; 15,000 musicians and teachers of music 41,000 in all.

Of the 24,000 notables listed in "Who's Who in America," fully 6,000 make their homes in or near New York city. The New York public library has nearly three million books, and there are nearly one hundred other public libraries in the city, many of which specialize in certain branches of learning. The value of the products of the newspaper and periodical publications of the city at their latest listing was $205,000,000 and that of the printing and publising industry for the same year was $120,000,000. Of the 9,000 books published in the United States during 1924, the great majority were published in New York.

How can the contents of all her public and private museums of art and learning be catalogued? The galleries, the houses of the rich, the public museums, the magnificient shops of Fifth avenue's famous thirty blocks, hold the treasures of the centuries brought from every corner of the world.

Why is it that, to America, this city has become at once an Athens and a Rome? "In the last ten years," says one authority, "the city has grown so rich that it has become the best market in the world for many articles of taste and luxury and for art treasurers. The significience of this is not yet generally appreciated. It implies that New York is to become more and more the place of resort for those engaged in the learned or artistic professions and for all concerned with the fine arts."


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Unless licenses are obtained by those who have failed to secure them on or before September 14, next, I will be obligated to cause warrants to be issued for all delinquents. Please secure Dog Licenses by that time and avoid the penalty of a fine and costs.

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