NEW ROTARY HEAD

Clinton C. Jones, new president of the Chestertown Rotary Club, took over the duties as the head of that organization at the regular weekly meeting here Monday night. W. R. Huey, retiring president, turned the gavel over to the incoming head with appropriate remarks.

The new president's first official act was the naming of the committees which will conduct the activities of the club for the coming year. The committees named are as follows:

AIMS AND OBJECTS—C. C. Jones, W. R. Huey, J. S. Kreeger, E. Clarke Fontaine, W. R. Hubbard, A. S. Turner.

CLUB SERVICE—W. R. Huey, Everett Lambden, James W. Johns.

CLASSIFICATION—R. H. Collins, Jr., M. DeK Smith. Howard N. Baldwin.

FELLOWSHIP—Rollison Baxter, W. R. Hubbard, W. R. Huey.

ATTENDANCE—W. B. Usilton, H. F. Jefferson, Dr. H. G. Simpers.

PROGRAM—Conlyn E. Noland, M. DeK. Smith, J. Harry Wright.

PUBLIC INFORMATION—W. B. Usilton, Harry S. Russell, R. H. Collins, Jr.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE—J. S. Kreeger, Stephen R. Collins, Paul E. Titsworth.

COMMUNITY SERVICE — E. Clarke Fontaine, Clarence Beilharz, W. B. Usilton.

BOYS WORK—Harry S. Russell, Donald F. Stam, Everett Lambden.

CRIPPLED CHILDREN—Dr. H. G. Simpers, Conlyn E. Noland, Stephen R. Collins.

RURAL URBAN ACQUAINTANCE PROMOTION—W. P. Newnam, J. S. Kreeger, Rollison Baxter.

STUDENT LOAN FUND—James W. Johns, Clarence Beilharz, E. Clarke Fontaine.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE.—Wilbur R. Hubbard, A. S. Turner, Jr., Howard N. Baldwin.

SONG LEADER—J. Harry Wright.

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TO VISIT KENT AUGUST 1 TO 15

The Maryland State Department of Health is placing the Healthmobile in Kent from Saturday, August 1 to Saturday, August 15, inclusive, according to the schedule given below. With the Health mobile will be a children's specialist, a dentist, and a public health nurse.

This work is being done by the State Bureau of Child Hygiene in cooperation with the Kent County Health Department and is for the purpose of intensifying the work of the annual preschool summer round-up throughout the entire county.

County physicians, Parent-Teachers' Association and other groups are lending their support to the undertaking. It is expected that all children who are entering school for the first time this fall will be given thorough examination as well as other infants and preschool age children. Results of these examinations are sent to the family physicians in each case. There is no cost whatever in connection with the examination by the Healthmobile staff and parents are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to bring their children for thorough inspection so they may enter their school term without physical handicap if possible.

The county's schedule is as follows:

Saturday, August 1, Chestertown, colored, 9:00 a. m.
Monday, August 3, Rock Hall, white, 9:00 a. m.
Monday, August 3, Sharptown, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Tuesday, August 4, Skinner's Neck, white, 9:00 a. m.
Tuesday, August 4, Piney Neck, white, 11:00 a. m.
Tuesday, August 4, Edesville, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Tuesday, August 4, Sanday Bottom, colored, 4:00 p. m.
Wednesday, August 5, Fairlee, white, 9:00 a. m.
Wednesday, August 5, Georgetown, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Thursday, August 6, Galena, white, 9:00 a. m.
Thursday, August 6, Georgetown, white, 11:00 a. m.
Thursday, August 6, Olivet Hill, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Friday, August 7, Golt, white, 9:00 a. m.
Friday, August 7, Golt, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Saturday, August 8, Chestertown, white, 9:00 a. m.
Monday, August 10, Millington, white, 9:00 a. m.
Monday, August 10, Millington, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Tuesday, August 11, Chesterville, white, 9:00 a. m.
Tuesday, August 11, Blacks, white, 11:00 a. m.
Tuesday, August 11, Butlertown, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Wednesday, August 12, Betterton, white, 9:00 a. m.
Wednesday, August 12, Coleman, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Thursday, August 13, Pomona, white, 9:00 a. m.
Thursday, August 13, Cliff City, white, 11:00 a. m.
Thursday, August 13, Broad Neck, colored, 2:00 p. m.
Friday, August 14, Sassafras, white, 9:00 a. m.
Friday, August 14, Sassafras, colored, 11:00 a. m.
Friday, August 14, Davis' Hill, white, 2:00 p. m.
Friday, August 14, Morgnec, colored, 4:00 p. m.
Saturday, August 15, Kennedyville, white, 9:00 a. m.
Saturday, August 15, Locust Grove colored, 11:00 a. m.

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DATA ON KENT HERDS

AN OPEN LETTER TO KENT COUNTY DAIRYMEN

(BY COUNTY AGENT McVEAN)

Based on careful full-year records covering, "Production of Milk," Butter-fat," "Value of Product," "Total Feed Cost," "Returns Over and Above Feed Cost," on the herds belonging to members of the Kent Dairy Herd Improvement Association (a group of farmers who in an effort to improve their herds band together and employ a trained man to keep the records at relatively little expense as compared with the dollars and cents value received from accurate records kept by a disinterested party,) very valuable facts applicable to all dairy herds are revealed in the second annual report of the Association, just released by County Agent McVean, who has made a detailed study of the herd record books belonging to the members.

In view of the milk station, it seems desirable to list some of the outstanding lessons based on Kent County facts as revealed by this study. "When You Test You Know" is the slogan of the members. Facts are better than "Guesstimates." Facts furnish the bases for business like procedure in making the adjustments that are so necessary in all lines of business. Ask members of the Association to see a copy of the Report. It merits careful study.

Each cow is recorded under the head ings listed in the opening paragraph. The facts concerning the high cow are tabulated along with the average for all cows in the Association. Data covering the highest producing herds are listed. The five high herds are averaged under the above headings—also the five intermediate herds—also the five lowest producing herds. In order to make the facts more apparent the facts relating to 24 low producing cows were isolated and averaged. (These were cows on test for the year and do not include any of the "Boarder" cows weeded out of the herds during the year.) All of the above data are tabulated on one sheet in the Report.

On another sheet the data relating to "Returns Above Feed Cost" were reduced to a graph in the form of a series of "Stair-steps" which gives the contrasts in unmistakable clearness since each step is drawn to scale. The average returns above feed cost are the basis for the bottom step. The amount is only $41.43 out of which the cow-keeper pays for the labor, allows for "overhead" (or interest on investment in the cows and equipment, depreciation in value of cows and equipment, taxes on cows and equipment) and the balance??? if any is his profit.

The Second step-the amount of returns above feed cost made by the five lowest producing herds is labeled $62.58. The third step the average returns per cow in all the herds completing the year of testing, is represented by $87.45 which is near the average for the five middle herds. The average (per cow) for the five high herds forms the fourth step or $115.62; while the fifth step, $127.77 is the per cow average as made by the members of the high herd.

At the left of the stairs is a flag pole carrying a pennant which bears the returns above feed cost as made by the highest producer in the Association (Mr. Edgar Pennington's cow which for the second consecutive year produced over 450 pounds of butter fat), $239.88.

These data show in no uncertain terms that many Kent farmers are going through the motions of dairying but are not getting any profit from low producing cows, poorly fed. The data cover the year from June 1st, 1930 to May 31, 1931, and therefore credit the cows with the higher prices prevailing last summer. The data therefore understate the present dairy situation.

In general the farmer who fed the most got far greater returns over the above feed cost than the farmer who fed little. In other words, Kent facts bear out the findings elsewhere, "Poor feeding of good cows is wasteful heavy feeding of poor cows is financial suicide, but poor management, discomfort and neglect of details will offset all the other favorable factors combined." Out of the returns above feed cost must come labor costs, overhead, and profit. If the returns are small the profit is very small and more commonly lacking.

The data reveal that good cows furnish a fine market for farm crops, especially if the farmer will plan his cropping system for pastures, for silage, for legume hays, for feed grains (corn and barley.) Under such procedure he need buy only protein-rich by-products as supplements to balance rations. (Not so much protein is needed as has been thought in past years. The good cow saves commissions, freight charges, profits, solves your marketing problem and reduces bulky crops to a concentrated edible product for which Kent farmers have a good market if they will keep it. (See below.)

Not every farmer loves cows. Not every farmer is "cut-out" to be a dairyman. No mere keeper of cows are needed as the milk situation indicates. Too many cows are in milk and more coming along. Even under normal market conditions, one-third of the dairy cows do not pay for the feed, labor and overhead expended on them. Under present market conditions and especially when Kent's average production is considered, along with the system of feeding in vogue, it is undoubtedly true that one-half of the cows do not show a cent of real profit to their owners. On the average, the feed cost is rated as one-half the cost of keeping a cow.

Both the cow situation and the market situation can be greatly improved by "culling the herds from the bottom and building at the top." Weed out the unprofitable cows, feed well the good cows. You will have just as much income, probably more, and will have much less labor and overhead charges. The Kent Association records show ample evidence to support the above statement. Then the additional fact that the milk produced by the unprofitable cows is very apt to keep the market flooded with milk which means a lower price for all milk. Present basic price cannot be kept if the total production is maintained or increased. Better reduce cow population and total producduce cow population and total production of milk than break the price for milk.

Surplus milk is worth more on the farm than on the market. Butter and cheese for the family, milk for family use, skim milk and butter milk for poultry, hogs and calves will save cost of purchased feeds and produce splendid results. Using the milk will help save the market and is in line with the "live at home" idea, which seems to be sound practice until the farmers dollar returns to normal or full purchasing value.

Members of the Association are realizing the situation. Their herds average over 500 pounds more milk per cow than in their first year in the Association. Culling of lowest producers and use of improved feeding practices account for this increased production in spite of reduced feed supplies caused by the drought, and the reduced feeding of grain due to the low price for surplus milk.

This is a time for readjustments in all phases of farming and other businesses. Why go through the motions of dairying if those efforts do not show a reasonable return above feed cost, out of which to pay the labor, the overhead, and the profit if any? Dairy Herd Improvement Associations supply the facts or bases for placing herds on a business basis. All dairy herds in Kent should be in such Associations. The situation indicates that we must get into dairying or get out of keeping cows. As an indication of the opportunity for improvement in production average it is but necessary to mention that the average production of 262,996 Herd Improvement Association cows studied in 1929 was nearly 50 per cent greater than the average for the cows in the representative herds belonging to the local Association.

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CHESAPEAKE BAY LEAGUE

(Box scores last Saturday)

ROCK HALL	Ab	R	H	O	A
R. Grant, c	5	1	2	11	0
Burgess, cf	5	2	3	2	0
Fitzgerald, 1b	3	2	2	12	1
J. Williams, 2b	5	2	2	1	1
Legates, 3b	5	1	4	1	3
F. Williams, ss	5	0	2	0	3
Cornell, lf	4	0	0	0	0
Wright, rf	3	1	0	0	0
Carey, p	3	1	0	0	0
Totals	38	10	15	27	8

GALENA	Ab.	R	H	O	A
Betz, ss	5	0	0	1	1
Jones, c	4	1	1	4	0
J. Woodall, lf	3	1	0	2	1
Johnston, 1b	2	1	1	9	0
F. Coleman, rf	3	1	1	3	0
Peacock, cf	4	0	0	3	0
R. Woodall, 2b	1	1	1	1	0
P. Coleman, 3b	1	0	0	1	0
E. Coleman, p	4	0	0	0	0
Cochran, p	3	0	0	0	2
Totals	30	5	4	24	4

Rock Hall .... 2 4 1 0 0 0 1 2 x—10
Galena ..... 1 0 1 0 2 0 0 1 0— 5

E. Coleman relieved N. Coleman in third.

Cochran relieved E. Coleman in third.

Errors—P. Coleman, Fitzgerald, J. Williams. Three base hits—Legates 3, Johnston. Home run—Jones. Struck out—by Carey 12; by Coleman 3; by Cochran 2. Double plays—Carey to Fitzgerald to Legates. Sacrifice hits—Wright, Fitzgerald. Base on balls—off Carey 6; off Coleman 2. Number of innings pitched—by Coleman 2 2-3; by Cochran 6 1-3; by Carey 9. Hits—off Coleman 10; off Cochran 5; off Carey 4. Two-base hits—Burgess, Fitzgerald, J. Williams. Umpire—Rasin.

CHURCH HILL	Ab	R	H	O	A
Russell, cf	4	4	2	1	0
Epstein, ss	3	2	1	4	2
Clough, 1b	5	2	2	11	0
Richmon, lf	6	0	1	0	0
R. Walls, c	5	2	2	8	0
Loller, p	7	2	2	1	2
Jarvis, rf	6	2	3	2	0
Powell, 2b	5	2	2	0	3
F. Walls, 3b	1	0	0	0	0
Smith, p	1	2	1	0	0
Totals	50	21	19	27	9

MILLINGTON	Ab	R	H	O	A
Stack, 1b	4	0	1	10	0
E. Lockwiod, 2b	4	0	0	2	0
W. Coleman, 2b	1	0	0	0	0
J. T. Wolfe, cf	4	0	0	1	0
Walner, rf	1	0	0	1	0
Godwin, rf	3	0	0	0	0
H. Wallace, c	2	0	0	5	1
Bedwell, c	2	0	0	3	2
J. C. Wolfe, cf	4	0	0	1	0
W. Lockwood, 3b	4	1	1	0	1
Newnam, ss	4	1	2	4	3
Vodvarka, p	1	0	0	0	0
Moore, p	1	1	1	0	1
Totals	35	3	5	27	8

Church Hill .. 1 4 5 0 1 1 2 4 3—21
Millington ... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 3 0— 3

Errors—Stack 2, E. Lockwood, Walner, Bedwell, J. C. Wallace, Newnam, Russell, Epstein, Walls, R. Walls, F. Wallace. Hits—off Vodvarka 7; off Moore 12; off Loller 2; off Smith 3. Two-base hits—Russell, C. Walls, Clough, Richardson. Struck out—by Vodvarka 3; by Moore 5; by Loller 5; by Smith 2. Double plays—Epstein (unassisted); Lockwood to Stack to Newnam. Sacrifice hits—Russell, Powell. Hit by pitcher—by Vodvarka (Jarvis); by Moore (Clough, Richardson.) Bose on balls—off Vodvarka 3; off Moore 1. Number of innings pitched—by Vodvarka 3; by Moore 6; by Loller 7; by Smith

CECILTON	Ab	R	H	O	A
Curry, 2b	3	0	0	5	4
Anderson, ss	4	0	0	3	7
Wolfe, c	3	1	1	2	0
B. Boulden, p	4	0	0	0	1
Craig, 3b	3	0	0	4	2
Kennedy, cf	3	0	0	2	0
Jones, rf	3	0	1	1	1
Savin, lf	3	0	0	1	0
U. Boulden, 1b	3	0	0	6	0
Manlove, 2b	1	1	1	0	0
Webb, 3b	1	0	0	0	0
Price, cf	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	2	3	24	15

KENNEDYVILLE	Ab	R	H	O	A
Hill, c	5	2	1	1	1
Archibald, 3b	5	0	1	0	1
Smith, ss	4	1	1	0	2
Hurlock, cf	4	0	2	2	0
Oliffe, lf	4	1	2	5	0
Robinson, rf	4	0	0	0	0
Sparks, p	4	0	1	2	2
Sutton, 1b	4	0	0	12	0
Lusby, 2b	4	0	0	5	2
Totals	38	4	8	27	8

Kennedyville.... 0 1 2 0 0 0 1 0 x4
Cecilton ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2—2

Errors—Curry, Anderson, Wolfe, Craig, Jones 2, U. Boulden, Smith, Robinson 2, Lusby. Hits—off Boulden 8; off Sparks 3. Earned runs—Cecilton 1; Kennedyville 4. Two-base hits—Manlove, Hurlock, Oliffe 2, Archibald. Struck out—by Boulden 2; by Sparks 7. Double plays—Anderson to Curry to U. Boulden; Sparks to Sutton. Left on bases—Cecilton 3; Kennedyville 5; Hit by pitched ball—By Sparks (Wolfe). Umpire—Foxx.

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