STAR SKETCHES



Story of CLARK GABLE by Helen Twelvetrees

EVER since Clark Gable skyrocketed into the heavens of Hollywood and became one of the brightest stars in the film colony's constellation, producers, publicists and the public alike have vied with one another in an effort to explain his glamor. Sobsisters have interviewed his servants . . . newspaper writers have traced his trail from his birthplace in Cadiz, Ohio, through Oklahoma oil fields . . . Oregon lumber camps . . . one night stock company stands . . . in an enterprising search to unearth the mine from which the Gable legend was ored.

One magazine writer came nearer than the rest when she found a weather-beaten old cowpuncher in the Saugus hills who had taught Gable how to ride. This placid but penetrating philosopher opined that a man who could break horses the way Clark does, had a hand for women as well. His courage . . . his calmness . . . his utter confidence . . . were, in this shrewd sophisticate's mind, the key to Clark's character.

But look now . . . look at those dimples that dent that strong jaw. Most men with dimples remind you of old lace and lavender, but Gable is as manly as a son of Mars.

So, if you ask me . . . and I've been asked quite often . . . I'd say the reason for Clark Gable's universal appeal to women is because he has the physique of a caveman and the face of a sweet, smiling, unspoiled little boy. There's an exciting menace in his general makeup that's balanced by a humanness . . . a friendliness . . . a frank, trusting smile in his eyes. Men, I believe, like Gable because there's a sort of roughness about him . . . ruggedness without a trace of crudeness . . . that led his high school mates in Claremont, Oklahoma, to elect him football captain . . . his chums in Akron, Ohio, where he began his stage career in stock, to yield him leadership in all things.

There's another side of Clark fewer people know . . . a softer side that finds expression in his love of fine books and rich music . . . soft tones in his home furnishings . . . and the cuisine of an epicurean on his table.

His ambition is to retire in ten years and tour the world. There are a great many persons in Hollywood . . . and in the country at large . . . though, who hope he'll change his mind before then. For Gable's the kind that lasts . . .

Gable's the kind that laughs, too!

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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OFFICE

The regular meeting of the Commissioners of Kent county was held on Tuesday of this week with all three Commissioners present, Messrs. Leonard C. Wilson, Charles D. Wood and Samuel C. Loller. The business transacted was the regular routine of approving and paying bills, and a general discussion of county affairs. There were no delegations before the commissioners at this meeting.

County Road Enginer, Gilbert Taylor made the following report of the condition of the county roads and contemplated improvements following December weather which was the most severe that has ben experienced during the life of the slag road construction programe. The report follows:

Weather Conditions

In order to estimate the permanence of our low cost roads it is necessary to take into account the severest weather conditions we have encountered since these roads were made. First, the precipitation has been abnormal, more than 12 inches since the first of November. December 10th there was a light snow, followed by sleet and rain. On the 17th there was a heavy snowfall, coming on ground frozen 6 inches or more. This was followed by a warm spell, melting the snow and thawing the ground and followed in about a week by continued rains. According to the weather bureau the rainfall in December was the heaviest in 27 years. The effect of this was to saturate the soil thoroughly.

Types Of Roads

The type of construction adopted for roads built from the bond issue is that known as Traffic Bound, being merely loose slag placed in a prepared subgrade and compacted by the ordinary traffic passing over it. These roads were made to be 9 feet wide requiring 600 tons of slag per mile; costing around $2,000 per mile.

Not to be confused with the above type of roads is another type of slag surfacing designed to make some improvement in natural surface roads by stabilizing the surface with a light application of slag, in no case exceeding 200 tons per mile the object being to extend improved surface the maximum amount possible with the money available. Cost $500 to $600 per mile.

Additional to the above we have now a few miles of surfacing composed of a natural mixture of fine gravel, sand and a small percentage of clay. Both of these last types of surfacing are applied on a road that has been properly crowned and drained and left to be compacted by the traffic. Depending on the distance hauled these roads cost from $250 to $600 per mile.

Effect Of Traffic

Under December weather conditions the foundation under all roads lost much of its bearing power. On concrete roads where the weight is widely distributed and the penetration of moisture is less rapid this loss is unnoticed. On traffic bound roads, depending on the crust (both widened and thinned under traffic) to carry the weight over a saturated sub-grade heavy trucks have made ruts in a few places and in a very few places have cut thru the crust.

Those surfaces which were merely stabilized stood up fairly well under all conditions until December. The combination of freeze, snow, thaw and rain caused them to fail under the increasingly heavy traffic. The material, however, is not wasted since it is still there to combine with repair material.

The graveled surfaces, probably owing to the sand content have proved not only cheaper in first cost and maintenance but in riding qualities, in resisting the efects of freezing and soil saturation.

I have just applied 90 tons on the river road, ordered 60 tons for Quaker Neck and 50 tons at Golts. Probably as much more will restore damage and wear to date.

In the afternoon the Commissioners met with the Kent County tax committee, composed of a representative from each of the seven districts with Mr. E. Thomas Massey a chairman. Those present, besides the Commissioners were: Messrs. E. Thomas Massey, 1st District; Edgar R. Pennington, 2nd District; Howard Turner, 3rd District; Marion deK. Smith, 4th District; Ellsworth C. Leary, 5th District; Page Gale, 6th District, William T. Brown, 7th District.

The subject of discussion was economy in county government and Legislative action for the reduction of County taxes. The question of schools and roads were discussed only briefly because action to reduce the county school tax from 67 cents to 40 cents and the use of part of the State Roads maintenance fund for county roads is already before the Legislatuure.

The following recommendations were approved by those present for Legislative action:

First—That the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall not issue license tags to automobile owners in Kent county until said owner has paid all personal property taxes.

Second—That the Kent County auditing committee shall audit all county offices including Clerk of the Court, Register of Wills and Sheriff's office.

Third—That the Clerk of the Court and Register of Wills offices be self supporting and that the maintenance of these offices be taken out of fees collected.

Fourth—That magistrates have the power of disposing of petit larceny cases of $25 and under.

Fifth—That license fees for traders, restaurants, billard tables, bowling alleys, soda fountains, etc., be alloted to the Treasurer of Kent county.

Sixth—That fines for automobile law violations committed within the boundries of Kent county be turned over to the County Treasurer.

The committee adjourned to meet again next Tuesday when detailed county expenditures will be discussed.

TREASURER'S OFFICE

are approximately $180,000 which is equal to that collected at this time last year. The collection of automobile taxes far exceed, in proportion, any other department, the taxes collected to-date bring approximately $7900. The levy for automobile taxes was $8,673.

The County Treasurer, H. Stockton Startt, paid out $83,204.76 this week for the following items, bonds $14,000; coupons $18,400; certificates $48,356.00; Jurors $1800; Court Witness $648.66.

KENNEDYVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. William Webb entertained Mr. Ferguson and Miss Owens on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Caldwell are spending sometime with relatives in Wilmington.

Dr. and Mrs. Urie will leave on Wednesday for Florida, where they expect to spend the winter.

The Christmas entertainment was held in the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. Candy was given the children and Mr. Ferguson, Miss Owens and Edward Weer were also remembered with presents.

Service as usual in the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening at 7.30.

Service as usual in the M. P. church next Sunday. The election of officers of the Sunday School will be held, all teachers and officers are requested to be present.

Miss Catherine Atwell entertained a number of friends on Thursday evening at her home in honor of her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bowers and daughters, of Still Pond, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. Urie.

Mr. and Mrs. John Atwell and Mr. and Mrs. Ray King and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Boulden.

Mr. Charles Jarvis and family, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hill.

Dr. and Mrs. Urie, of Richardson Park, were visitors on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Myers and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Dukes spent the week end with friends in Wilmington, Del.

Miss Lula Van Dyke entertained, Mrs. Katie Crew and Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Crew and children, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Crew and son and Mr. and Mrs. Marian Crew on Sunday.

The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Dyke and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller the past week and left baby boys.

Mr. and Mrs. James Caldwell and Mrs. Dempsey spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Miss Sue Johnston returned to Washington on Monday after spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. James Weer.

Mr. and Mrs. Spry, of Ohio visited Mrs. May Spry a part of last week.

Mr. Charles Kirby and friend spent the week end with his brother, Mr. James Kirby.

Miss Maggie Clark is spending some time with her siter, Mrs. Howard Clendaniel.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elburn, near Chestertown.

Miss Anna Simonds, of Baltimore, visited her friend, Mrs. Lin Redmile a part of last week.

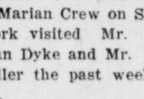
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Groves and Mrs. William Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smyth, near Millington. Mr. Smith is still confined to the house from his accident last fall.

r. and Mrs. Rawleigh spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hill.

Mr. Howard Johnston returned to his school in Baltimore on Monday after spending the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. Cain and daughter visited Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Othoson on Sunday.

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CHURCH NOTES

I. U. Parish

Following a custom of service years standing the congregation of Christ Church at I. U. will attend the services at St. John's by the Bay. Betterton for the winter months. The service will be at three o'clock in the afternoon with a celebration of the Holy Communion the fourth Sunday in the month at 11 a. m. The congregation will return to Christ Church for Easter Day.

Christ M. P. Church, Chestertown

Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, D. D. Minister.

The following service are announced to which we extend a mo st cordial invitation. A good time to establish the habit of regular church attendance is the first of the New Year. We'll be looking for you next Sunday.

The Sunday School session will be held at 10 a. m. o'clock Sunday morning with an interesting subject for our study.

The theme of the morning worship service at 11 o'clock will be "Clearing a Free Way for the Feet of God."

The Christian Endeavor service will be held at 6.45 p. m. and will be directed by Mrs. Charles F. Wheatley.

"A Burning Bush for Every Day" will be the theme of the sermon at 7.30 o'clock Sunday evening.

The Ladies Aid Society will be entertained on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. F. G. Livingood.

The Third Quarterly Conference will be held at the parsonage on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. A full attendance of the official members is desired.

Prayer service Wednesday at 7.30 p. m., subject, "Setting the Spiritual Grooves of Life."

Mrs. J. Leonard Price, President of the Kent County Woman's Christian Temperance Union, has called a meeting of the county union for Thursday, January 12, 1933, at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Frank White on Spring Ave., Chestertown.

St. James M. P. Church

Rev. J. Lee Marker, Minister. 10 a. m. Sunday School, lesson, "Jesus Begins His Ministry." George Carroll superintendent. There is a place and a welcome for all.

11 a. m. regular morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Special music by the choir.

7 p. m. Christian Endeavor led by Miss Marian Rinehart on the subject: "How May We Know God's Will?"

Special attention is called to the annual election of the officers of our society which will take place at this meeting. All members are especially urged to be present.

Lynch M. P. Church

2 p. m. Sunday School, Mrs. Harry Jewell, supeintendent. Lesson, "Jesus Begins His Ministry." 3 p. m. regular afternoon service, sermon by the pastor. 7 p. m. Christian Eudeavor, subject, "How May We Know God's Will?" Let us have a good attendance at all of our services.

Emmanuel Church, Chester Parish

Rev. Charles L. Atwater, Rector. Services Sunday, January 8: 8 a. m. Holy Communion; 10 a. m. shortened morning prayer (Sunday School and Congregation); 7.30 p. m. evening prayer (last illumination of the Christmas Tree, with Christmas Carols.

Services, Wednesday, January 11, 7.30 p. m. short evening prayer. On Wednesday at 3.15 the Children's Club will meet in the Parish House. After service Wednesday evening will be the regular Choir Rehearsal. On Tuesday, January 17, the Sunday School will hold a Turkey Supper in the Parish House, beginning at 5.30 p. m. Tickets 50c.

Shrewsbury Parish

Rev. C. L. Atwater, Rector. Sunday, January 8, 10.30 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m. Holy Communion, with sermon by the Rector. Service at St. Andrew's Chapel, Galena; 3 p. m. evening Prayer, followed by a meeting of the Chapel's Congregation.

There will be a Vestry meeting at Shrewsbury this week, but the time and place will be announced later.

Chestertown M. E. Church

Rev. Frank White, pastor. May the New Year bring you much joy. Visitors in our town are cordially invited to worship with us. Students at the college are urged to make our church their church. Services are as follows: 10 a. m. Church School in all departments, under direction of J. S. Kreeger, Supt. 11.00 a. m. morning worship, with sermon by the pastor. 7.30 p. m. evening praise service, with sermon. One hour of joy in song and meditation.

Wednesday 7.30 p. m. Prayer Meeting.

Monday 8 p. m. Sunday School Board will meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of Old St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church will be held at the Rectory in Fairlee on Tuesday, January 10th, 1933, at 10.30 a. m.

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Maxwell House Coffee, lb 30c	Mother's Oats pkg 5c	P. and G. Soap cake 3c
Fancy Blend Coffee, 1 lb 24c	Mother's Cocoa 1 lb can 10c	New Hominey lb 2c
Fancy Rio Coffee, lb 18c	Pork and Beans Phillips can 5c	Fancy Beans lb 3c
Good Flour, 12 lb bag 25c	Sweet Prunes lb 5c	Mason's Shoe Blacking 5c

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