The Curbstone Diplomat

BY

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Why do people dread getting fat? The favorite time for taking reducing walks on the bridge seems to be between four-thirty and five-thirty. Walking is becoming out of date now, and those walking for reducing purposes have a hard time explaining to motorist friends, that they do not wish to ride.

A friend complains that on last week's Woman's Page nothing was mentioned about the old grave yard in "Old Chestertown." This old grave yard used to extend from the court yard almost to Maple Ave.

According to Mr. J. F. Thompson there used to be some apple trees in the cemetery. Some of the apple trees had just the best kind of apples and others bore apples just about as mean and tough as apples ever get. The boys of the town used to help themselves to the apples. According to the boys the apples all depended on the people who were buried beneath the trees. If the boys got into some bad apples, they would call down the tree and ask who are those mean people burried down there and when they were eating the kind that melt in your mouth they would look on the tombstone to see who the good people were.

A legislator from Laurel, Delaware, is planning to, or else already has, introduced a bill in the Delaware Legislature to make the divorce laws of Delaware easier.

If Delaware passes this law, it will not be necesary to go all the way to Nevada when you need a divorce without much trouble attached to it.

The legislator received a letter the other day from a man that was planning to go to Reno, but said he will wait now and get it in Delaware of the new law is passed.

Delaware now has a gold mine in its corporation law which is very easy. Now they are planning to share in the profits with Nevada on easy divorce laws.

There is one man in Chestertown who has four or five children that is very much interested in the prospects of the proposed new Delaware divorce law. Not for himself however.

One of our readers from a neighboring state, has been taking a lot of interest in our tax problem. He writes as follows:

I am assessed $200 on my furniture, which he thinks is out of reason. The State and County Tax is $3.43 per hundred. Also a $2.00 poll tax, a town tax of $1.03 per hundred and 25 cents a month is added to the water bill to take care of the fire department.

Some of the salaries are as follows: $200 per month for County Commissioners. The Sherif's office is a fee office and is good for $50,000 a year. The County Attorney gets $3,000 a year and has an assistant who gets $2,400, they are furnished a stenographer who gets $1800. The office is furnished them in the court house and he is allowed to take outside practice. Wages in the section have been reduced to the same level as they were in 1910. Kent or Maryland may not be the best place in the world but it certainly is not the worst.

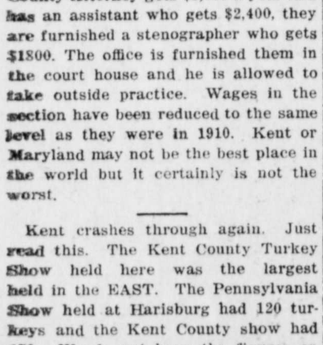
Kent crashes through again. Just read this. The Kent County Turkey Show held here was the largest held in the EAST. The Pennsylvania Show held at Harisburg had 120 turkeys and the Kent County show had 151. We do not have the figures on the New York Show, but it was not as large as Kent's. Kent's quality was also much higher than that at the other shows and the same judges judged at Harrisburg.

Kent has a way of distinguishing itself every now and then. Of course we have our draw backs like sewerage disposal and jail, etc., but even the jail has shown a little sign of improvement.

We do not need any palace for the jail and it would not need mentioning as most of the inmates are as well off there as they are at home.

Another public tax meeting will be held in the Court House this Saturday. From the rumors that reach us, this meeting will probably be better attended than the last one, and also more discussion will take place.

The Eastern Shore has no culture! Mr. Menchen should attend one of Dr. Dole's lectures.



GALENA

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Colgain and daughter, Marian, of Wilmington, Del., spent Sunday with relatives in and outside of town.

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class met at the home of Miss Frances Ruth, on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Redding, of Wilmington, Del., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Redding of near town.

Miss Mattie Whitaker, of Chestertown, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. G. E. Hicks.

Mrs. Eva McCauley spent last Friday with her sister, Mrs. Andrew Wilson in Georgetown, Md.

Miss Mary Scott, of Baltimore, spent last week end with her father, Dr. E. A. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Heston Cox and family spent last week end with relatives in Chestertown, Md.

Mrs. Earle Gilfillon and Dorthea, spent the week end with relatives in Newark, Delaware.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Cockran and daughter, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Wilson Cochran.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Van Dyke and daughter, attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Hanson, in Middletown, Del., on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston are spending this week with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Reed.

Miss Mary Carroll Smith, of New York City, spent this week end with her mother, Mrs. Catherine Smith.

WORTON

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Cornelius entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Carter and Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lee at dinner Thursday evening.

Mr. Robert Loud will lead the Epworth League next Sunday evening everybody welcome.

Miss Hilda Mason spent several days last week with her uncle, Mr. Milton Fogwell and family.

Mrs. Julian Crew and little son, Julian Lee visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lee this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Mitchell, of Centreville, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Cornelius.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ford, of Chestertown, spent the week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Blanche Lolfer.

Mrs. Henry Williams entertained at cards Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Lee visited Newark, Del., Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Joiner, Miss Ann Taylor and Mr. Thomas Taylor attended the funeral of their uncle, Mr. John Thomas at Rock Hall Sunday.

We are sorry to report Mrs. Barney Cooper continues quite sick at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dodson, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Samuel Wallis, of Middletown, visited relatives here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Rash entertained Rev. and Mrs. Wright, of Fairlee at dinner Sunday.

Mr. Ford Matthews, of Washington, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Matthews part of last week.

Mr . and Mrs. Arthur Harris entertaind the following at a turkey dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Joiner Mrs. Evelyn Harris and son, John, and daughter, Helen, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Baxter and children and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jewell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wills, of Flushing, L. I., were the guests of his sister, Mrs. W. A. Joiner last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Urie, of Rock Hall, visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williams Sunday.

Mrs. Medford Green, of near Church Hill, visited her mother, Mrs. Anderson Wednesday.

Mrs. Henry Williams spent several days this week in Baltimore.

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Chestertown, Maryland

PASSES MARYLAND BAR

William H. Medders, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Medders; of Still Pond was among the forty-three persons who successfully pased the bar examination given last November. He has attended the law schools at Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania. The names of the successful candidates were announced this week by the Maryland State Board of Law Examiners.

Patrick M. Schnauffer, of Brunswick, Md., a former Washington College student was also among the successful candidates.

Their names will be presented to the members of the Court of Appeals within the next few weeks. The next bar examination will be held in June.

FURROWS



BY JOSIAH ALLEN WEATHERBY

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Of course, Mr. Tydings has a right to change his mind if he wants to, but I ain't seen no good reason yet fer his sudden lamblike submission to orders from Simebody down there in Washington, or somewhere else. He might have got word from Warm Springs that he must subside and wait till after March 4, so as not to steal in advance the policies of the new administration. Or he might have been told by some of the "harmony" experts that he wuz out of tune and makin a sour note in the democratic song. Maybe he is desirous of receivin some prominent committee appointment or chairmanship in the next Congress, and wuz told it would hurt his chances if he made too much noise beforehand. But whatever the reason may be, Mr. Tydings has a right to change his mind about talkin.

It seems like it is a case of "to talk or not to talk, that is the question." But, even admitting that he has a right to change his mind, I ain't seen no reason fer his jumping up and yellin he is goin to resign if this Congress didn't do something, unless he meant what he said. Of course, he might have aspired to git in the class with Huey Long, who seems to have a terrible longin fer publicity. But he can't do that . There ain't nobody down there that can equal Mr. Long fer front page stuff. He makes a four-weeks speech about nothin and takes most of that time praisin hisself. Some wise man of old times ought to have said: "Whoever praises hisself from the housetops shall see his prasies fall to the ground." Maybe Solomon said it or words to that effect. But whether it wuz said or not it is true. It used to be said; "self-praise is half scandel," and these front page fellers better look out.

If Mr. Tydings really meant what he said about resignin he ought to have done it, fer he would have done a lot of good. In the first place he would have proved to his constituents that he could be depended on to keep his word. And in the second place he would have afforded an opportunity fer some hungry democrat to be appointed in his place fer a few weeks and git a slice of government pay to help keep the wolf from his door. And there is a lot of good democrats in Maryland that would have been glad to receive a small reward of close to two thousand dollars (and other perquisites), to say nothin of the honor of bein Senator fer a few weeks.

When he jumped up the other day and hollered a lot of noise about cuttin down expenses and redeemin pledges and the like, a lot of people back here in Maryland thought that they ha da real Senator down there in

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STAR SKETCHES



Story of MAURICE CHEVALIER by Mirian Hopkins

IN the early part of the World War, Maurice Chevalier fell, blood pouring from his mouth from a shell wound in the lung. He regained consciousness in a German hospital and when he could be moved he was sent to the prison camp at Alten Grabow near Hägdeburg. Although he suffered terribly from the effects of his wound, his gaiety was unimpaired. He organized concerts in the camp, and one night the Commandant with several German generals came to the show. They were so amused that they gave Maurice the freedom of the camp. After an impromptu concert one night, Chevalier and another Frenchman escaped, disguised as hospital attendants, and slowly made their way back to the French lines. His wound was such that he could not continue in Military service.

For a time he felt that he could never pick up the old thread of his life. He was timid and apprehensive. But upon being decorated with the Croix de Guerre for gallant conduct at Outry, something within him underwent a change. It brought him confidence and he vowed anew that he would yet conquer fame in his chosen profession. With this decision came inspiration. Up until this time the majority of Chevalier's work had been as a grotesque comedian. His visits to the English music halls same back to him. Realization came that he must charm his audience as well as entertain them. He adopted the smartly tallored dinner suit and straw hat which now is his traditional garb. New fame quickly followed.

This renown spread to London, and American stage offers followed one after another, but it was not until Maurice had made several French films and he realized the limitations and handicaps of silent pictures that he would accept an American offer. However, with the perfection of the talking pictures, he was induced to come to America.

With his first picture he became one of the greatest personalities on the screen; and upon returning to Paris for a holiday he found himself many times more popular than ever before. He took an engagement at the Empire Music Hall and received 15,000 francs a night, an enormous and unheard of figure for Paris. He returned to Hollywood and became one of its greatest Stars at a time when other foreigners were forced out.

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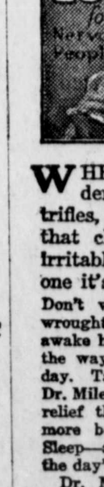
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