MILLINGTON

Mr. William Vansant and family, of Elkton, spent last Sunday with his mother, Mrs. George B. Jones.

Mrs. Mary E. Bailey who has been quite sick is improving.

Mrs. Ernest Radnor has returned home after spending two weeks with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gebbert, of Cleveland, Ohio.

The bad weather of the past week has tended to hold up the road construction on the Millington-Chestertown road.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Duling and Mrs. Alenda Smith spent Tuesday in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Porter, of Dover, Del., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones and little son, Bobby, of Lynch, Mr. Millard Porter, of Wilmington, Del., and Miss Edith Wyatt, of near Massey, visited the formers mother, Mrs. Eva W. Marvel last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stouffer, of Chestertown, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Green and Miss Helen Green, of Crumpton, were guests last Sunday of the formers brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Lee.

The regular monthly meeting of the ladies aid society of Asbury M. E. Church was held on Thursday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. Hurlock Gale near town.

Mrs. W. Leo Gale is very much improved and able to be about again after her recent illness.

Mr. John T. Slaughter, aged 84 years, died at his home on Cypress street on Friday night last, February 17th. Mr. Slaughter has been in failing health for some time. Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at his late home conducted by the Rev. W. D. Short pastor of Asbury M. E. Church, Millington, Interment was made in Millington cemetery. Mr. Slaughter is survived by his wife and four sons, Messrs. Jesse and Millard Slaughter, of Elkton, Md., John Slaughter, of Wilmington, Del., and George Slaughter, of Cynwyd, Pa., and Mrs. McCash Walls, of near Galena, and Mrs. Olan C. Duling, of Millington.

KENNEDYVILLE

The P. T. A. will hold their meeting next Wednesday evening in the school building March 1.

Mrs. Mollie Miller is spending a few days with her son, Mr. Ralph Miller and family.

Those on the sick list are Dorothy Sue Johnston, Mr. Joseph McHenry.

We are very sorry that one of the little twin girls born to Mr. and Mrs. William Riley a few weeks ago passed away at the home of its parents on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller and Miss Van Dyke spent Thursday in Wilmington.

The Mite Society met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Author Groves on Wednesday with a good attendance, after the business meeting the literary programme was very much enjoyed refreshments were served and Mrs. Harry Hill invited the society to meet with her in March.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ringgold entertained relatives from Baltimore over the week end.

Mrs. Kennard Porter and Mrs. Charles Mitchel, of Centreville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hurlock.

Mrs. Blanch Loller returned to her home near Worton on Monday after spending four weeks with Mrs. Robert Hill. Mrs. Hill continues quite sick, but improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ireland and Elsie May, of Broad Neck, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young.

Mrs. James Weer and Marie spent Thursday with Mr. Harry Johnston and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Groves entertained at cards Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Garey entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Price, of Betterton; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Toulson and Betty, of Still Pond.

Pond; Mrs. Moillie Archibald and Miss Maud Archibald to dinner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Baker visited her mother, Mrs. Augusta Hessner on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dawson and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jester and daughter, of Wilmington, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Ford.

Mr. James Weer was called to Baltimore on Wednesday by the illness of his mother, Mrs. Minta Weer.

Mrs. Katie Crew and son, Julian, visited relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller visited their friend, Miss Lillian Mathews last week in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redmile entertained at cards on Friday evening.

Mrs. Norman Hitch and Bobby, of Queenstown, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hurlock.

Mrs. Mollie Archibald spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Othoson.

Joe Weer, Harry Willis, William Willis, John and Carvil Sutton and a number of other boys attended the 4-H banquet in Chestertown on Thursday evening.

Mrs. George Glenn led the Christian Endeavor last Sunday evening. The poem "Send down they truth O God,' was recited by Mrs. John Atwell; Solo, In the Garden, by Mr. James Kirby; and duet by Mrs. Lipscomb and Mr. Webb was very much enjoyed after which the Bible class came in. The orchestra from Chestertown with Mrs. Green at the organ gave several selections, also the quartet from town and Mrs. Frank Young sang. The Hon. W. E. Hearn, of Baltimore, addressed the Bible class.

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

Service as usual in the M. P. Church next Sunday.

COUNTY AGENT'S ACTIVITIES

SUMMARY OF KENT COUNTY AGENT WORK DURING 1932

Service in emergencies has replaced demonstrations to quite an extent. Helping find ways and means to "ride out the economic storm" has rightfully received much attention since the drought of 1930. How to tap new sources of income, how stop leaks of income, how to take up the "slack" by culling flocks and herds and by reducing labor expense has had careful attention. Farmers have had to adjust to meet new conditions. They are wisely deferring permanent improvements or incurring long-time indebtedness. They have had to repair equipment rather than buy new, especially when it requires several times the normal ratio of crops to pay for new equipment.

The Extension Service has urged the "live at home" policy. The providing of food and feed crops is a major consideration. The production of cash crops by means of family labor or with the regular labor supply is a means of income if not of profit. Milk and poultry were better sources of cash than selling crops off the farm.

Marketing effort counted for little in 1932 with fruit, turkeys, tomatoes, etc., in view of supply and low buying power. Milk reflects the power of cooperative bargaining power. Prices fell it is true, but who knows how soon prices would have fallen and how much lower they would have fallen had it not been for the strong bargaining organization representing the dairymen.

Care and discrimination were used in aiding farmers to secure "crop production loans" from the Federal Government. Loans to insure food and feed crops were helped as a means of insuring adequate subsistence. Loans for the production of so-called "cash" crops were not encouraged in the face of the economic situation and market outlook.

Soil testing for lime requirments, for available phosphoric acid and potash as a guide to more definite cropping recommendations and in diagnosing earlier failures with crops is of real value and popular.

Help through dissuasion is fruitful. Tobacco for example is not to be encouraged in Kent, since tests prove it lacking in burning quality and therefore can be sold only with difficulty and at unprofitable price. Many farmers were tempted "to plunge" on Korean Lespedeza due to its success several hundreds miles south of Kent. Tests at the Experiment Station reveal that we are too far north; that clover and common Lespedeza are better crops respectively for hay and pasture.

Entomology and Chemistry are increasingly important each year due to new bugs, new diseases, and new control measures required. Over 300 calls were received regarding insects and their control in 1932. Box Elder Bug caused considerable concern but is of little economic importance, while Harlequin Cabbage bug, which is a serious menace, to all members of the cabbage family, was apt to be ignored. It is very difficult to control since sprays sufficiently strong to control it destroy the crop. Trap crops to be burned with the bugs are effective. Analysis of lime carriers, feeds and fertilizer, offer farmers much protection from the few who would unscrupulously defraud.

These and many other services are classed as miscellaneous. Major lines of service are listed under the headings—Dairying, Agricultural Engineering, poultry, cropping system for beef cattle farming, and 4-H Clubs.

In dairying, the analysis of the Dairy Herd Improvement Record Books furnished information of great economic importance. The records show that the well-fed cow is the economical producer and the profit maker. Shows unmistakably that full feeding all the sows results in less milk the boarder cow is the way to produce milk economically enough to show a profit under prevailing prices. Half feeding al the sows results in less milk but in milk that costs more than it sells for at present prices. Many calls on feeding are received. Home raised dairy rations are easily possible and adequate. Soy beans as a source of protein are, when properly handled and blended with farm grains, splendid.

Analysis of Farm Accounts and Farm Poultry Records, reveal (out of the farmers own experience) that certain enterprizes are worthwhile; that other enterprizes must be adjusted, slack taken up, or be discontinued.

The Turkey Show and its economic importance to Kent and Maryland is so fresh in mind t hat no more need be mentioned here.

Under the heading Agricultural Engineering, mention is made of the service to farmers who by fire or milk market requirement had to replace barns. Adequate plans that meet present and future demands were furnished and supervised. Herbert S. Ford, of near Galena, has such a barn, built at a real saving. It is what the contractor, who took much pride in it, called an "honest" barn because it has no skimping of materials and no weaknesses. Supplying plans and advice in remodeling milk houses or for new ones belongs under this head. Real help and true economy in securing milk cooling boxes adequate to cool the milk to the new temperature requirement is available. Much service has been rendered and will be rendered.

The 4-H Club Work speaks for itself. Its social and economic importance should be much appreciated in Kent. The activities, attainments, goals and progress are chronicled weekly in the county press. This great movement among a million boys and girls is rated second only to the Sunday School as the greatest and most important rural youth movement.

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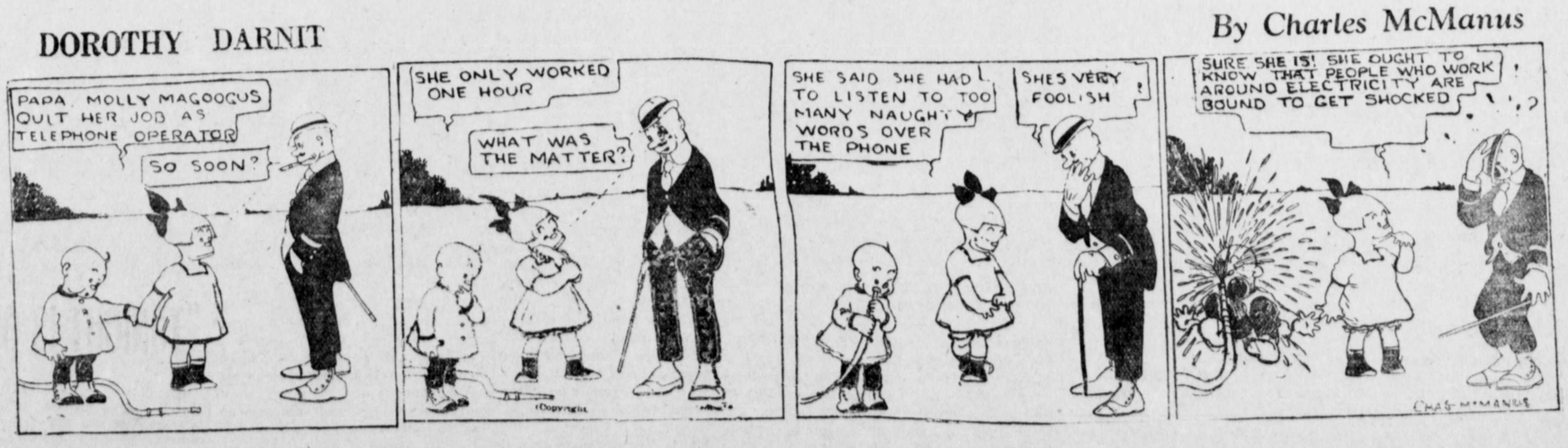

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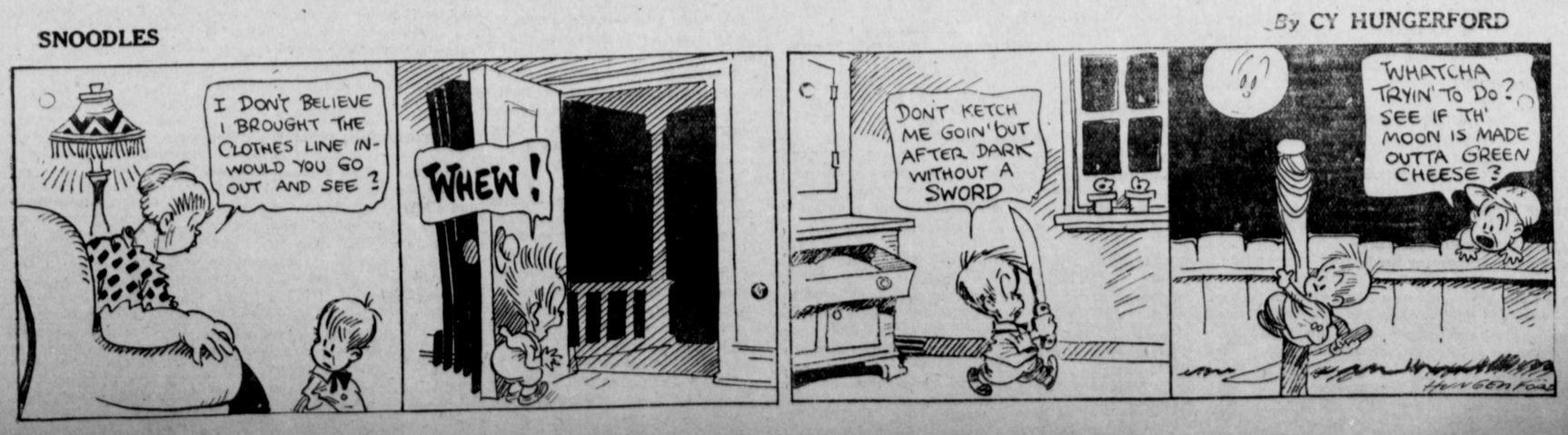

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