The Curbstone Diplomat

WILLIAM S. COLLINS

The good people living in the old Custom House on South Front street have a very well trained dog. He is just a stray, nobody claims him, but he generally gets a friendly hand-out at meal time. He has one vice however and that is barking and howling at night. He must realize this is wicked and annoying to others, because he goes to another part of the town to engage in this pleasure. He does not believe in bothering the hands that feed him, but other people in the town believe in bothering them about the dog.

The Alumni of the Chestertown High School will stage the annual banquet and dance this week. At the time they sent out the announcements, they had made arrangements to hold the banquet in the Sunday School room of the M. P. Church, but they had not obtained a place to hold the dance. So, the announcement read something like this. "The banquet will be held in the Sunday School room of the M. P. Church." At the bottom of the card was a line. "Dance after the banquet, 25 cents.

Well this made it look like they were going to have a dance in the Sunday School room and one or two of the church members got hot. They demanded that they send out cards explaining that the dance would not be held in the Sunday School room. To send out cards again would have cost about $9.00; so everything was settled when they had the newspapers publish the fact the dance would be held in Gill Bros. Armory. Just a little misunderstanding, that's all.

Members of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club are now pronouncing the word Regatta like this, "Ryegatta."

The High-Tide, sailing yacht, owned by Mr. Eugene E. du Pont, stands a good chance of winning the New London, Conn.—Gibson Island race. The boys down at Solomons Island are rooting for her and they seem to think the boat belongs down there. The High-Tide was built at Solomons Island and is hauled out there every winter. Here in Kent we sort of claim her too, for she is kept down at Naply Green on Grey's Inn Creek in the summer. The "High Tide" though is a member of the Corinthian Yacht Club, near Philadelphia, and any fame which may come to her in the way of publicity, will hardly include Kent and may not include Solomons Island.

The "High Tide" is now up in New York and will probably be hauled out and cleaned just before the race. Howard Strong says Captain Lawerence, the special captain for the race, told them, a boat sails on the bottom and he wanted it absolutely clean. Capt. Lawrence is a nationally known yacht racing captain and owned the "Yankee" some years ago. A special navigator will be on board and a guest will be the man, who designed the "Enterprise," the sailing yacht owned by Vanderbuilt. The whole crew will number fourteen and all are set for a big time.

Gibson Island is also rooting for the High Tide as the late Mr. Miller, former owner, resided there.

Mr. Howard B. Strong will leave next Thursday or Friday for New London to board the High Tide.

The Alumni banquet at the College was a great success. The attendance was so large that some were turned away. The old alumni were back celebrating in the "ould way."

And how some of them did throw the bull. Some of them were very humble evidently having felt the depression. One of our alumni, who recently graduated was confidentially telling some people of the town, that he would like to know where he could safely invest thirty-five or forty thousand. Others claimed they had not had a job for a year or more.

The Alumni dance made the commencement dance look like a funeral.

Just how hard is it for a good farm hand to get work: Last week we had and advertisement in the paper "colored farm hand wants work. Worked for last employer 16 years." Early Saturday morning a farmer drove all the way from Locust Grove to see about the man. Saturday afternoon a farmer from Queen Annes was in. Early Sunday morning a Broad-Neck farmer was calling. Monday a Quaker Neck farmer called, but he was not so anxious as the rest. Monday a farmer from near town called and later this week a letter came in from Still Pond. Well the man now has a steady job.

At the time the adv. went in it seemed like a joke that in these times anyone could get a job so easy. We were surprised the adv. was even answered. Now, however, we realize that there is plenty of work for farm hands. One farmer told us he could not get any. Another farmer last week came into Chestertown to hire help and of all the ones loafing here, he could not get any except two old men, who were too old to work.

This week a beggar on crutches made a house to house canvess here. He was insulted if any donations were as little as a nickel and very forward in his manner. Think how much money he must have made here in a short while.

One lady had nerve enough, and it took nerve, to ask such a question of this beggar, why he did not have the Welfare help him. He said he was fifty miles from home. If he went fifty miles further he made more money. With the welfare operating you are a sucker to help the door beggar. If he is deserving they will help him. That is what the government is appropriating money for.

THE SQUADRON'S LOG

BY THE STOWAWAY



Another river tragedy was averted Tuesday when Captain Thompson's Barnegat capsized, with no greater damage than a broken howsprit, and a few tangled halyards. Besides the captain, Miss Thompson and a friend were aboard.

The trouble occurred in the middle of the channel just above the club wharf at the buoy.

Ordinarily a Barnegat at floats easily on its side when capsized.

The tide was with the stiff breeze. The combined push of wind and tide drove the boat further and further over and down until the mast was fast in the mud of the river bottom.

The "Half Pint" was nearby, and went to the assistance of the floundered craft. Captain Simon Westcott of the "Half Pint" got the two girls aboard.

It was over half an hour before Captain Thompson and Captain Westcott were able to drag the Barnegat's mast free from the mud.

Both girls on the Thompson craft are good swimmers, but it takes better than good swimmers to over come the handicap of the Chester River tide even when the river is calm.

What might have been a serious accident turned out to be just another bit of the Squadron's good sportsmanship.

The border line between sportsmanship and danger is at times perilously thin.

One boat lost, and one boat gained is the Spuadron's record for the week.

Gilbert Ingersol sold his sailboat to a man in Betterton. He hopes soon to have a new boat.

H. Staunton Brown bought a Richardson stock cruiser, the "Hidie."

This new member of the Squadron made her appearance on Friday. Mr. Brown spent the whole of Sunday running up and down the river.

She is a good looking boat and fast. She follows the channel well although at times she passes the buoys a bit close for safety.

The "Hidie" is easily recognized by her green decks and white sides.

A hearty welcome at the Miles River Yacht Club awaits the Chester River Yacht Club members.

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Each table is dedicated to a neighboring club. Visiting members from the Chester River Club who wish to dine at the Miles River Club will be seated at the table bearing the Chester River Yacht Club pennant.

Sunday was a discouraging sort of sailing day. There was some wind but it was puffy.

Sailing races around Quaker Neck and Deep Point were missing. The possibility of drifting becalmed under the broiling sun was a too uncomfortable prospect for even the younger Squadronites.

Two or three fishing parties braved the heat and here and there a group along the banks seined for soft crabs.

May Boy, II, made a week end cruise, and one or two boats ventured out for a short run.

Captain Eben Perkins had the awning rigged on his boat, a sure sign of hot weather.

Boxwood flanking the paths and bordering the porch has been planted at the Club. An iris border has been put along the shore of the lake.

Captain Baxter and the "Maggie" spent several days deepening the yacht basin. It has been difficult to get in or out of the slips heretofore at low tide.

Crabs are plentiful this year, but apparently they are lacking in quality. Unusually large numbers are brought in daily at the packing house at Tilghman's Island, but when sorted by government inspectors a large proportion below standard size are returned to the water.

Some Squadronites have turned to golf. The cool weather is given as the reason.

No Fancy Stuff

Boss: "Is that all the work you can do in an hour?"

Sam: "Well, boss, I dussay I could do moh, but Ah nevah was one for showing off."

The Wayside Poet

By J. Thomas Price

JUST KEEP SMILING

If in the fight you meet defeat,
Meet it with a smile;
If hard luck you have to greet,
Greet him what a smile;
If you lose it's no use crying,
Do your best and keep on trying,
If you have no car, try flying,
But don't forget to smile.

If nothing seems to come your way,
You just try to smile;
If cheated of your rights, some day,
Just go on and smile;
Don't make tragedies of trifles,
Don't shoot butterflies with rifles,
Just be sane, for raving stifles,
Just put on a smile.

If from the world you get hard knocks,
Take them with a smile;
Instead of Auto. you've an Ox,
Drive him with a smile;
Hard-luck stories don't keep telling,
"Better times ahead," keep yelling,
They'll get better in the telling,
Tell them with a smile.

NOTE:—Dr. Price, The Wayside Poet, speaks over Radio W.I.P., Philadelphia, Pa., every Wednesday at 10.30 A. M. and over W.D.E.L., Wilmington, Del., 1.45 P. M., eastern standard time.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENTS THURSDAY NIGHT

Graduation exercises of the four High Schools in the county were held on Thursday night of this week.

Chestertown High School had no commencement speaker and the diplomas were presented Mr. L. B. Russell of the School Board.

Student speakers were: Elizabeth Fontaine, Kathryn Story, Margaret Eliason, Georgeanna Redding, Charles Atwater and George Rasin.

Miss Alice Marion Sterling played a piano solo.

Prize winners for the year are as follows: L. Bates Russell Medal for Declamation for Girls, Helen Dudley Miller; Fred G. Usilton Medal for Declamation for Boys, Charles Chester Atwater; M. W. Thomas Scholarship Medal, Mary Margaret Eliason; J. S. William Jones Mathematics Medal, George Bacon Rasin; O. C. Blades History Medal, George Bacon Rasin; Balfour Key, Alice Marian Sterling; Susan Roberts English Prize, Irene Virginia Yerkey; Grace Bennett Jones Shorthand Medal, Kathryn Elizabeth Story.

ROCK HALL HIGH SCHOOL

Prof. Frank Goodwin, of Washington College, delivered the Commencement address to the Rock Hall High School graduates. A short address was also be made by Supt. of Schools L. C. Robinson and diplomas were presented by Prof. Strang.

MILLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Dr. William R. Howell, head of the Dept. of Political Science at Washington College was the commencement speaker at Millington graduation exercises. The Honor Essay was given by Miss Florence Virginia Gale. Diplomas was presented by Mrs. Charles W. Whaland, of the Kent County School Board.

GALENA HIGH SCHOOL

Rev. Charles L. Atwater, rector of Emmanuel P. E. Church, Chestertown was the commencement speaker at Galena. There were thirteen graduates and diplomas were presented by Mr. Redmile, president of the School Board.

GRAMMAR SCHOOLS HOLD COMMENCEMENT

Due to the expense, the commencements of the various grammar schools of the county were held at the respective schools instead of having the usual consolidated commencement in Chestertown.

Chestertown Grammar School held its commencement Wednesday night. Music was furnished by the elementary School band and the piano music was furnished by Miss Louise Russell. Entertainment was furnished by the J. K. R. (Just Keep Reading) Club. All the grades of this club entertained. A speech was made by Miss Fredericka Metcalfe retiring president of the club and an acceptance speech was made by Miss Mary Langdon Russell the new president. Certificates were presented by Prof. Robinson.

Millington and Chesterville held a combined commencement at the Millington High School on Thursday morning. Ellen B. Logan delivered the first honor address and Susan Spear the second. Principal H. R. Rasin presented the certificates.

All grammar school commencements will be completed this week.

LIZA WILLING

"Am dat you, Liza?"
"Yassuh."
"Am yo' gwine to marry me?"
"Sho ah is—who is dis talking?"

PERSONALS

Miss Ruth Fox daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. Maurice Fox has returned home from College Park for the summer.

Mr. T. DeCoursey Ruth and daughter Sarah have been the guest of Miss Genevieve and Hallie Brown on Queen street.

Mr. and Mrs. Shaughnessy are the guests of Mrs. Shaughnessey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kratzer.

Mrs. John N. Roberts spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Kenly, near Rock Hall.

Mrs. Margaret Smith of Baltimore, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown in Quaker Neck.

Dr. Blackiston B. Wroth, of Georgia institute of Technology, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Thomas G. Wroth on Front street.

Mr. Frank Hines, Jr., who was in the graduation class at the University of Maryland, was the guest this week of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank B. Hines on Front street.

Mr. John Vandergrift is very ill at a Baltimore hospital. Mrs. Vandergrift is with him.

Mrs. H. Clay Brown and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Brown are spending the week at Atlantc City.

Mrs. Mollie Whaland, Dr. Bert A. Whaland, and Mr. Jack Haughton, of Bridgeton, N. J., and Miss Helen Welch, of Chestertown, left Friday for Chicago where they will visit the Century of Progress.

Rev. and Mrs. John White and two sons, Billy and Bob, will leave on Tuesday of next week for a ten day visit with relatives in Rockland, Vermont. Little Bobbie White will remain there for the summer.

Mr. N. D. Sollers, of Baltimore, was the guest on Tuesday of his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Collins, Jr.

Mrs. W. D. Hines, of Baltimore, was the guest this week of her son, Mr. W. D. Hines at Riverside.

Mr. Lester Baldwn and two sons, of Baltimore, were guest of Mr. Baldwin's mother this week.

Mrs. Fredrica Strong Albee, formerly of Rock Hall, visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Strong this week.

Mrs. Katherine Jones, of Truslow Cottage, Queen Anne's, is spending the week in Baltimore.

Miss Dorothy Vickers was one of the graduates of Baldwin's School, Bryn Mahr, this week. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison W. Vickers, her parents were present at the Commencement on Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Russell was the past week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Carmine in Philadelphia.

Mr. L. M. Van Gilder, Jr., of Philadelphia, spent the past week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Russell.

Mr. E. Clarke Fontaine, supervisor of high schools, will teach at the summer school at Johns Hopkins University, starting June 26th. He will teach methods of Modern Education and Methods and Administration.

Mrs. Small, of Reiterstown, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Rolph Townshend on Front street.

Miss Virginia Jones will be the guest at a house party at Gibson Island over this week end.

Mr. W. F. Russell, Jr., is undergoing treatment for an infected ear in Baltimore.

Dr. F. B. Hines returned to Baltimore yesterday for further treatment for an infected foot.

Mr. Casper G. Woodall, a former editor of this paper is ill at his home in Baltimore.

Checkers

Captain: "If anything moves—shoot!"

Colored Sentry: "Yassah; an' if anything shoots—Ah moves!"

BUYS QUEEN ANNE'S FARM

Mr. Michael Pelczar, of Baltimore, recently purchased from Mr. Alex. Hersberg, of Chestertown, his Queen Anne's County Farm, on the upper Chester River, containing 68 acres, with shore-line of about one mile. This property is improved with five-room dwelling, outbuildings and a complete Concrete Block Plant, equipped with modern moulds, mixer and tools, plant located on a gravel bank. Most of the fine water front is hard sandy beach and an excellent trapping marsh. The sale as made by The Square Deal Farm Agency, 300 Maple Avenue, Chestertown, Maryland.

MIRACLE HOUSE TO OPEN JUNE 26

NEW MEMORIAL TO BE DEDICATED JULY 4

The George Schluderberg Memorial recently completed at the Miracle House, Claiborne, Maryland, will be dedicated on July fourth, according to information received from William B. Matthews, Managing Director of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, which has maintained the institution as a Preventorium for the last fifteen years.

Notice of the bequest was made in 1931 by William F. Schluderberg and Theodore E. Schluderberg, sons of the late George Schluderberg. A sum sufficient to build the memorial represented a part of a fund created by the deceased to be expended by his two sons.

The memorial consists of a two story Solarium, seventy-two feet square, overhanging the Bay, and is fully equipped. The first floor contains the examining rooms, office, bath house and showers. The second floor contains an assembly and indoor play room. The roof is so designed to make available daily sun baths for two children.

Arrangements for the dedication program will be completed within the next few days.

It is expected that about seventy children will enter the Miracle House on June 26th for treatment during the summer.

CUP RACE JULY 1

LARGE NUMBER OF ENTRIES EXPECTED

Cup race, which here-to-fore has been hld in conjunction with the two day regatta of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club, will be held this year at 11 a. m. on Saturday, July 1st in the Chesapeake Bay off Live Point.

This cup, which was donated by the Raskob family in memory of Bill Raskob, must be raced in the Chesapeake Bay where boats of any draft may sail and has been raced for three times. It has been won by Mr. John J. Raskob twice in his 12 meter boat, patsy, and was won by Mr. Eugene du Pont last year with his schooner, Hightide. Permanent possession of the cup requires the winning three years in succession.

The lack of entries in the race in previous years is the cause of the change in the date and this year it will be held following the New London-Gibson Island race at which time a number of fast sailing large boats are expected to enter.

The race will be held in honor of the ocean race and will start and finish at Baltimore light. The course will follow that of previous years and will be held under the auspices of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club.

Forty-five boats are expected to enter the ocean race and as it finishes at Gibson Island, a large number of these entries are expected to enter the Bay race.

ST. PAULS SCHOOL TAKES MAY ATTENDANCE LEAD

St. Paul School, taught by Miss Pearl T. Everett, led the Kent schools in attendance for May with a mark of 98.7. In second place was Janvier, with a mark of 98.3. Janvier is taught by Miss Frances G. Orr.

Galena, with a mark of 96.3, led the high school division. Miss Lelia N. Ware is principal of Galena High.

The attendance records for all the Kent schools is as follows:

St. Paul	98.7
Janvier	98.3
Kennedyville	97.9
Skinner's Neck	97.5
Swan Creek	96.9
Locust Grove	96.8
Sassafras	95.5
Betterton	95.4
Massey	95.4
Worton	95.3
Piney Neck	94.9
Pomona	94.9
Chestertown	94.5
Hanesville	93.9
Cliffs	93.6
Still Pond	92.8
Fairlee	92.6
Rock Hall	92.2
Millington	91.8
Golt	91.9
Chesterville	89.9
Morgnec	89.8
Galena	88.2
Lynch	87.2
High Schools	
Galena	96.3
Rock Hall	95.7
Chestertown	91.9
Millington	87.9



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