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NOTICE

This is the first issue of THE TRANSCRIPT on its new publication date of Friday. Notices for our weekly broadcast over Station WFBR 1270 will be received up until 12 o'clock Saturday as usual... The broadcast is every Sunday morning at 9:45 A. M.

JUDGE COLLINS AGAIN HEADS FIRST NATIONAL

Judge Stephen R. Collins was re-elected president of the First National Bank at an organization meeting of the Directors on Wednesday of this week.

Other officers elected were Mr. T. D. Bowers, vice president; W. Robert Huey, cashier; Raymond Wilkins, asst. cashier; Miss M. Palmer Carroll, teller and Mrs. T. W. Williams and Mrs. Margaret Hickman, bookkeepers. Mr. Harrison W. Vickers was re-elected attorney.

Directors elected at the annual stockholders meeting on Tuesday were: Judge S. R. Collins, T. D. Bowers, P. M. Brooks, Andrew W. Wilson, Walter U. Lusby, H. S. Startt, Ellsworth Leary, R. H. Collins, W. Belt Townshend, W. R. Stavely and W. R. Huey.

BLACKOUT FOR ROCK HALL

Rock Hall will stage a practice blackout on Tuesday, January 20. The black-out is to last for 15 minutes and will be sometime between 6:30 P. M. and 7:30 P. M. According to Mr. G. Ellsworth Leary air-raid warden for that district the signal for the blackout will be 3 short blasts of the fire siren and interval [illegible] more short blasts. The all-[illegible]nal will be 4 blasts. The [illegible]mpany will cooperate in the [illegible]-out.

TWO MEN LEFT THURS. FOR CAMP

Two men left Kent County on Thursday for Army training under selective service quota. They were:

Dr. Norton Bonnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Bonnett of Chestertown.

Sewell Windsor Phillips, son of Mr. Lee Phillips, of Chestertown.

Both of these men are recent grooms.

Small Home Burns

Fire destroyed a tenant house on the farm of Mr. G. Harry Cannon near Still Pond last Saturday night. The Chestertown fire company responded to the call and due to the severe cold four firemen were treated for frost bits after the trip.

BIRTHDAY BALL JANUARY 30TH

The President's Birthday Ball aiding the fight against infantile paralysis will be held in the Armory, Friday Jan. 30th, according to Henry Gill, Kent County chairman of the committee.

Children will shortly sell tabs for coat lapels at ten cents a piece in conjunction with the March of Dimes campaign, as well as boxes placed in stores for contributions.

Mr. Gill urged the need for dollars to fight this dread disease was greater than ever before, and the public is asked to give generously in this worthy cause.

FINANCING THE PLANE SPOTTING POSTS

Air plane spotting posts in the county are not being financed by the government as so many people believe. At present the County is paying for fuel, telephone and electricity but it is a question as to how long this fund will hold out. All stations have been built and fixed up by public spirited citizens.

Volunteers spend about six hours each week on duty and it is quite a sacrifice. All the stations need more volunteers and some may have to ask for donations in money to fix up their shacks. Give them a little help.

THOUSAND MEN TO REGISTER IN NEW DRAFT CALL

Schools May Be Used For Registration

Tenative arrangements are being made throughout the State for the new selective service registration which will be held on February 16th. Although definate policies have not been adopted by the Kent County Selective Service Board, the present plan throughout the State is to declare a school holiday that day, use the schools for registration and request school teachers to assist in the registration.

It has been estimated that the number to register February 16th will amount to sixty percent of the number who registered in October 1940. This number was 1632 in Kent County which means that approximately 1000 will register next month. At the registration last July, when men who had reached their 21st birthday since the previous October, 82 registered.

According to information from State Headquarters the men who will be required to register, unless they have previously registered, are those who have reached their twentieth birthday on or before December 31st, 1941 and who have not reached their forty-fifth birthday on or before February 16th, 1942.

In addition to preparation for the new registration, the Kent County Selective Service Board are busy with the reclassification of men who have previously registered.

R. H. Collins Heads Business Group

At the meeting of the Business Men's Association on Wednesday, Mr. Richard H. Collins was elected president and carl N. Bordley, vice-president for 1942. Mr. Collins succeeds Mr. Owen Smith who served during the past year.

P. T. A. COUNCIL TO MEET

Plan To Organize Home Nursing Course

The regular meeting of the Kent County Council of Parent Teachers Asso. will be held in the Chestertown High School Auditorium on Thursday, January 29, at 8 P. M.

Plans for organization of a home nursing course or first aid course will be one of the subjects discussed.

Dr. Winton Tolles, of Washington College is in charge of the program.

Professor Charles Snyder of the education and history department of Washington College will give a short talk on the subject "How Parent-Teacher Organizations Can Best Help Local School Systmes." Mr. Snyder has promised to make his talk practical and to the point. Following the talk Mr. Snyder will lead a round table discussion on the subject endeavoring to clarify and to help in setting up practical programs. Other members of the education department of the college will help in the discussion.

It is hoped that this meeting will clarify the practical objectives of parent-teacher organizations and will give definite suggestions as to what such organizations can really do. I believe that both teachers and parents will profit from the talk and the discussion.

STORING 100,000 CASES OF EMPTY GLASSES AT VITA

15,000 more square feet of space to be added to Vita Food Plant here.

Henry Demain local manager, standing with products put up by local plant which includes, fish, cheese, peppers, green tomatoes, pimentos, cucumbers in several styles.

80x100 of space will be for storage and 14-175 for more equipment.

125 are normally employed but due to shortage in sugar 50 have been laid off. Efforts are being made by the Business Men's Association to obtain sugar.

Receiving stations have been opened for cucumbers at Berlin, Md., Tappahannock, Va., Clarksville, Va., and Askewville, N. C. 1,400 acres have been contracted for as compared to 200 last year.

MUSKRAT HIDES LOWER IN PRICE THIS SEASON

Crop Reported Good

Muskrat hides are bringing from $1.25 to $1.30 on the local market as compared to $1.50 at this time of the season last year.

The season, whcih opened January 1st, promises to be a good one as far as the quantity of rats are concerned according to Mr. Morgan Bennett, local fur buyer. He said, however, that still water marshes are very barren due to the recent drouth.

A good portion of the marshes in Dorchester County are still water and have been greatly affected but in Kent County there is only one still water trapping marsh which is located on the bay shore near Betterton.

The Chestertown Boy Scouts have collected three tons of paper, the majority of which has been newspapers and magazines.

INTERSTATE TO HOLD BANQUET HERE FEBRUARY 5

O. H. Hoffman to Speak

The annual banquet of the Kent County locals of the Interstate Milk Producers Cooperative will be held at Fireman's Hall on Thursday, February 5th.

All members of the cooperative will receive a ticket to the banquet and additional tickets for guests may be secured from Mr. H. S. Startt at the rate of $1.00. Due to the last minute rush last year, Mr. Startt urges members to get their guest tickets as soon as possible.

Mr. Startt will preside at the banquet and the speakers will include Mr. O. H. Hoffman, Jr., general manager of the cooperative and Mr. Provenson of the public speaking department at College Park.

IDLE-SCARCITY OF FACTORY SPACE IN NATION

The Marvel Packing Company plant in Chestertown has been laying idle for about thirty years. Located on a navigable river, railroad and hard surface road. It would be to the Country's interest to get it going.

NEW FIRM OPENS OFFICE HERE

J. B. Whitworth Is President

The American States Utilities Corp. opened an office recently on High Street in Chestertown in the Fox building. This space was formerly used by the Draft Board.

This company supplies power in California, Idaho, and Michigan. Mr. Whitworth whose home is in Chestertown is president of the company. Miss Gloria Eck is employed as Mr. Whitworth's secretary.

Miss Eck was formerly with the Kent-Queen Anne's Petroleum Corp. and Miss Ann Ford of Still Pond has taken the position vacated by Miss Eck.

Former Kent Resident Honored

In recognition of 44 years of continuous, efficient service with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, J. Roy Roseberry was tendered a testimonial dinner in his honor by the home office officials at the Wade Hampton hotel in Columbia, S. C., on Wednesday evening.

Entering the employ of the Metropolitan in 1897 in the Maryland district, he has received numerous promotions, beginning his work as an agent, then as assistant superintendent and manager of the Columbia district since January 1, 1923.

Mr. Roseberry was born in Kent county, Maryland, attending the public schools here and graduating with honors at St. John's college, Annapolis.

Mr. Roseberry was formerly of the Still Pond section of this county and has a number of relatives in the community. He will retire from active service of the company at the end of this year under the retirement plan of the Metropolitan.

Maryland Guernsey State Champion

Peterborough, N. H., Rural Glade's Goldie 466783 has just completed a record which makes her queen of all seven year old Maryland Guernseys in class AA of The American Guernsey Cattle Club. Goldie was bred by S. W. Townsend of Cochranville, Pa., and is owned by Wayne Johnson of Worton, Maryland, and in one year produced 17194.7 pounds of milk and 877.2 pounds of butter fat.

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CLARK DAVIS & HERMAN BLACKWAY RE-ELECTED TO FIRE CO. POSTS

REPORT SHOWS 96 FIRE CALLS

At the annual meeting of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company Monday night, Mr. R. Clark Davis was re-elected president for the sixth consecutive year and Mr. Herman Blackway, Chief for the 12th consecutive year. Both selections were unanimous.

The report of Chief Blackway for the past year showed that 96 fire calls were answered with an average attendance of 16.5 active men at each fire. Of these calls 28 were in Chestertown, 6 were in Queen Anne's and 62 in various parts of Kent County. 24 of the calls were chimney fires and 21 field fires.

The total loss in the territory covered by the Chestertown company was estimated at $8,727 with insurance coverage of $3,715 showing a net loss during the year of $5,012. In Chestertown the total loss was $987 with $865 insurance making a net loss of $122.

The complete report of the president and secretary will be found below.

Other officers elected were:

1st Vice President, C. N. Satterfield

2nd Vice President, P. M. Brooks, Sr.

3rd Vice President, John T. Vickers.

Secretary, Irving Leaverage.

Treasurer, Richard George.

Financial Secy., Harvey G. Blyman.

Chaplain, C. L. Atwater.

Surgeon, Dr. H. G. Simpers; associate, Dr. Frank B. Hines.

Statistician, Wm. Benjamin.

House Committee, J. T. Vickers, P. M. Brooks, Jr., Ollie Herzberg, Ernest Leaverage and Walter Clark.

Band Committee, W. G. Smyth and W. H. Elliott.

Directors, L. Bates Russell, Sr., A. L. Sparks, P. G. Wilmer, Dr. H. B. Simmons.

Secretary's Report

Chestertown, Md.
January 12, 1942

To the Officers and Members of the Chestertown Vol. Fire Co. As Secretary, I would like to make the following report:

Upon reviewing the minutes of the past year they reveal that we have held 51 business meetings, with an average attendance at each meeting of 18 members. During these meetings we have had the pleasure of voting in 26 new members, both Active and Associate members.

Some of our Active members are again attending the Fire School classes sponsored by the Fire Extention Service of the University of Maryland, and on two occasions a group of Active members have attended the demonstration of Incendiary bombs at Edgewood Arsenal.

On March 30th, our new International fire truck was delivered and was approved by the new apparatus committee. 500 feet of 2½-inch hose was purchased to help stock this truck, and the $500.00 to cover the cost was donated by the Ladies Auxiliary of our Fire Company. This makes a total of $1150.00 donated by the Ladies toward the new truck. An All Service Gas Mask was donated by P. M. Brooks & Son, and some First Aid equipment was donated by the Business Men's Association.

On May 5th, a resolution was adopted by the Fire Company changing the age limit, for membership, from 21 years of age to 18 years with a provision that written consent of the parents accompany the application.

On Nov. 13th, a check of $93.00 was received from Mr. Jacob Thompson, Surviving Executor of Ruth A. Cahall, which represented the balance of $500.00 cash legacy. In the will, in addition to this sum of money, the Testatrix leaves $800.00 out of the proceeds of sale of real estate, when sold.

All minutes, vouchers, bills and etc, have been properly recorded and filed, and in closing I would like to thank each and every Officer and Member of our Fire Company for the fine cooperation and assistance you have given me.

Respectfully submitted,
IRVING F. LEVERAGE,
Secretary.

Presidents Report

Chestertown, Md.
January 12, 1942

To the Officers and members of the Chestertown Vol. Fire Co.
Gentlemen:—

As your Chairman it becomes my duty to report to this meeting some of the facts pertaining to the activities of our Company for the year just closed, 1941.

Our fire fighting apparatus at present is far better than a year ago. We have added a very efficient combination pumper to our stock, and due to the fact that we have been spared any serious breakdowns or accidents,

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AUTO OWNERS BUY STAMPS

All owners of automobiles must buy a federal stamp at a post-office before February 22. The stamps are now on sale and sell for $2.09 which are good until June 30. By June 30 it is necessary to buy a stamp costing $5.00 which is good for one year.

The following is a letter which was received by THE TRANSCRIPT Thursday morning:

Office Of The Collector Of Internal Revenue
Baltimore, Md.
January 14, 1942

In accordance with instructions received from the office of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue at Washington, the sale of motor vehicle use tax stamps, effective February 1, 1942, the date of which sale was arranged for January 15, 1942, has been changed to January 27, 1942.

Please give this matter as much publicity as possible.

M. H. Magruder,
Collectoor."

The local post-office says they have received no further orders than that the stamps go on sale January 15 and will continue to sell until they get orders from the Post-Office Dept.

HUNTERS MUST REPORT GAME KILLED

Section 15 of Article 99, Maryland Game Code, provides that every person who procures a hunter's license must report the kill of game on or before January 15 after the close of the upland game season. Attached to each hunter's license was a postal card for this purpose.

The law provides that any person not making this report (except in Howard County) shall be sentenced to pay a fine of Two Dollars ($2.00) and costs for prosecution. We have no desire to prosecute any licensee, however, it is most essential that you, Mr. Hunter, fill in your card, giving name, address, and county, and forward to this office so we may have a record of the kill of game in the State. Since we know the amount of game distributed in the covers, the report of kill will give us some estimate as to the increase or decrease.

Even though you did not kill any game, please forward the card to us. Those hunting Raccoon and Opossum may send that kill in after the close of the season, January 31.

Award Nominations End Jan. 20th

The secret committee named by the Chestertown Business Men's Association to select Chestertown's outstanding citizen for 1941 has set January 20th as the deadline for the receipt of nominations. A blank for sending in your nomination will be found on page 8 of this issue.

Former Kent Lady Injured In Accident

Mrs. Mildred Whitely of 547 Main St., Easton, Pa., formerly of Morgnec, Kent County, was one of three ladies injured in an automobile accident last week at Easton, when the car she was driving collided with a truck. Mrs. Whitely is the daughter of Mrs. Albert Godwin, who left the county recently to make her home with her daughter in Easton.

WILL SURVEY KENT ISLAND NARROWS

Congressman David J. Ward announces that the office of the District Engineer, Baltimore, Maryland, will have a survey of Kent Island Narrows made early in the Spring of this year, when more favorable weather conditions prevail, in connection with much needed maintenance dredging to restore the project dimensions in the channel.

When the survey of the waterway has been completed, the matter will be referred to the Chief of Engineers with a view to obtaining an allotment of funds for accomplishment of the work.

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