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J. N. WHEATLEY REPLACES KIBLER ON DRAFT BOARD

Announcement was received here Wednesday morning of the appointment of Joseph N. Wheatley to the local Draft Board. Mr. Wheatley appointed by Gov. O'Conor will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. Thomas Kibler who has been recalled into the Army.

He was immediately sworn into office to serve with the other members of the board, Mr. Thomas W. Eliason and Hynson Rogers.

Mr. Wheatley who has been connected with the office serving as an associate member of the Advisory Board and Re-employment Committeeman has resigned from these positions to assume his new duties.

The new member is well known in Kent County having been in the Insurance business in Chestertown for some years.

At a meeting held Thursday morning Thomas W. Eliason was voted to be chairman. Mr. Kibler served in this capacity before his resignation.

State Income Tax Likely To Be Slashed

In addition to the reduction of 20 per cent to 25 per cent in income taxes which Governor Herbert R. O'Conor has announced he will recommend to the 1943 Legislature, it is likely that many hundreds of Marylanders whose State Income Tax would be under $5.00 or $10.00 may be exempted altogether.

At the Governor's suggestion, an analysis is now being made by the fiscal officers of the State to ascertain how much in taxes had been paid by persons whose returns were less than the amounts stated. Discussions already held by the Governor with tax experts of the State indicate that a great many taxpayers in the lowest brackets could be excused altogether without a great loss to the State.

Governor O'Conor has announced that his present plan is to propose reduction in income taxes up to 20 percent or 25 per cent. He declared that the State's unprecedented surplus will warrant such a reduction, after an amount is "frozen" for post war projects, and after emergencies, including salary adjustments, are made. As of the first of the present month the State surplus was $8,331,-976.90. It is expected that before September 30th, the end of the fiscal year, the surplus will mount to $9,-200,000.00.

Dr. Esther M. Dole Honored By Society

Dr. Esther M. Dole received a notification recently that she had been granted honorary membership in the Eugene Field Society of St. Louis, Missouri," in recognition of outstanding contribution to contemporary literature" because of "the literary skill and craftsmanship" of her book, "MARYLAND DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION." The first edition of this book is almost exhausted. The Eugene Field Society is a National Association of Authors and Journalists organized to perpetrate the name of Eugene Field, the noted American poet and author.

Materials Arrive For Surgical Dressings

For the past six weeks the General Chairman of the Red Cross Surgical Dressings has been working and planning for the time when material for the first order would arrive and when work could be begun. Now the material for 30,000 dressings has arrived and work will be started September 9th.

Notice has been given in this paper before, again it is asked that all helpers please register at the local Red Cross office and state the day of the week you can work. The Chairman hopes to have units of 25 for each day.

The instructors have been in training one day per week for the last month, and a very comfortable and inviting work room is ready through the generosity of the Chestertown Bank. The first order is a large one but we can come through on time if we all work together. This may seem like a busy time for housewives, but the war must be won so let us do our part in a way that's sincere.

(Editorial)

Judge Collins

Judge Stephen R. Collins, Chief Judge of the Second Judicial Circuit of Maryland and a native of Kent County, should have the support of both Democratic and Republican voters of Kent County next Tuesday when both parties will conduct primary elections. We make this statement because:

First — He represents Kent County in the fact that he has no opposition in this County in either of these two major parties and was honored by the endorsement of both.

Second—And most important, is that Judge Collins, during the two years that he has served this Circuit as Chief Judge, has ably presided in the various Counties and his record in the Maryland Court of Appeals is an enviable one. In other words he has measured up to the responsibilities of this all important office in the two years of office which should be reason enough to assure his re-election.

Judge Collins was born in Chestertown in 1896. He attended the public schools here, later entering Washington College where he graduated with honors in 1915. In 1917 he enlisted in the United States Army and served for the duration of World War No. 1 until his discharge as a Sergeant in 1919. Following his discharge he accepted a responsible position with the duPont Company in Wilmington, which position, he resigned to enter the law school of the University of Maryland. He received the Maryland Bar a year be-University in 1925; having passed the University Bar a year before graduation, and returned to Chestertown where he started the practice of law. In 1926, he was elected State's Attorney for Kent County and held this office for twelve years, after which, he did not seek re-election and devoted himself to his increasing law practice. At the time of his appointment as Chief Judge, he enjoyed one of the largest law practices on the Eastern Shore. In addition to Judge Collins' endorsement by both the Democratic and Republican parties, he also has been endorsed by the Kent County Bar and a number of the business and professional organizations in the county. A large vote in Kent County will not only be a tribute to Judge Collins but will assure his election to the office which he seeks and deserves.

MEN IN 3-A WILL BE IN ARMY BY AUTUMN

Some unmarried men with collateral dependents—that is, men with parents, brothers, sisters, etc.—who previously were classified as 3-A, have already been classified as 1-A and "may expect to be called into military service in the autumn."

That was the statement today of Col. Henry C. Stanwood, State Selective Service chief, who added that a few of the new 1-As have been called for physical examination.

Reclassification of unmarried men eligible for the draft is being speeded and thousands of them may be in uniform, as Class 1-A men, within a short time.

However, Colonel Stanwood pointed out, no married men with dependent children will be called into service until all of the unmarried men are in the Army.

Youths between eighteen and twenty—they number about 37,000 in Maryland—will be classified as soon as Congress enacts the necessary legislation requiring their service in the Army, Colonel Stanwood said.

The machinery for the prompt classification of these youths already is set up and will go into action immediately after Congress acts, the State Selective Service chief added.

Action on changes in the draft law are expected in Washington within the next ninety days. This will be in regard to single men and youths of eighteen and nineteen.

Cannery Fire Causes $25,000 Loss

The Rock Hall Cannery, owned and operated by Mr. Lowry Harrison, was destroyed by fire early Saturday morning shortly after employees had started to work.

The fire was discovered in a ware house and the entire structure was in flames within a few minutes. The Rock Hall company responded with its entire equipment and was assisted by two pumpers from the Chestertown Fire Company.

The loss was estimated at $25,000. The cannery will be out of commission for the remainder of this season but it is understood that it will be rebuilt this fall on an enlarged basis. In the meantime contracted tomatoes and labor are being transported from Rock Hall to Prices Station where the packing is being handled.

NAVY STAGES TWO-DAY SHOW FOR RECRUITING DRIVE HERE

NAVAL OFFICERS CONGRATULATE RECRUIT

Above picture taken aboard the U. S. Navy Recruiting Ship "Lauxmont" shows David T. Chadwick after having passed his examination for entering the Navy being congratulated by Lt. Richard Barthelmess, screen star, while Lt. J. F. Doubleday looks on. Chadwick is a native of Rock Hall.

SIX MEN ARE ENLISTED BY RECRUITING SHIP

One of the most elaborate programs ever staged here began Monday evening when the Navy Recruiting Ship, the "Lauxmont,' 'arrived at the Chester River Yacht Club Pier. This ship once th epalatial yacht of Barbara Hutton has been loaned to the Navy for this purpose.

Lt. Richard Barthelmess, former screen star and now a personnel officer of the Fifth Naval District along with Lt. Doubleday were in charge of the recruiting party which included Saxie Dowells Naval Air Station Band, composed of some of the swing musicians in the country.

The entertainment got underway Monday evening at 9 o'clock in the local armory, where Lt. Doubleday introduced Saxie Dowell and his band which played for a dance which was free to the public until 12 o'clock. Lt. Barthelmess was introduced and spoke on the Navy Recruiting plan.

Tuesday afternoon the Saxie Dowell aggregation gave a "swing" concert on the yacht club pier followed by another dance that night on Cross Street which was very well attended.

Those recruited in this county were Julian Thomas Bromwell, David Thomas Chadwick, Edward Shelton Blades, Jr., James Nelson Culley, Jr., and Leon Owen Donelly.

The Lauxmont left Chestertown on Wednesday morning at 5.30 A. M. for Havre deGrace where it will remain two days on a recruiting tour. This week-end, it will be in Baltimore.

Charles F. Wheatley, chairman of Kent's War Bond committee, and Jesse D. Maxwell ,commodore of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club, were the local men in charge of the arrangements.

Tax Deductions Granted For Defense Workers

Civilian Defense workers who use gasoline in performing their assigned duties may deduct its cost as a contribution when computing their Federal income tax, Judge Robert France, Executive Director of the Maryland Council of Defense, revealed today.

The ruling as issued by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, however, does not permit any deduction for depreciation of a vehicle.

Judge France pointed out that although the ruling specifically refers to those in the United States Citizens' Defense Corps, it is also applicable to members of the Aircraft Warning Service, the Civil Air Patrol and others, "actually appointed by or acting under supervision of a Federal, State or Local government agency."

Records must be kept to prove the amount of gas used and the fact that it was used for civilian defense work.

Both Political Parties Honor Judge Collins

The largest fish fry and crab feast in the history of Kent County is being planned for tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon at the Mansion House, Rock Hall, by friends of Chief Judge Stephen R. Collins, according to plans announced last week.

Open to all persons, Democrats, Republicans alike, the affair is being arranged by a group of local businessmen who have been associated with Judge Collins in many lines of endeavor.

Steamed crabs in carload lots, and frying fish by the netful, will be prepared to quell the hunger pangs of the throng which, is expected to attend. Kent County watermen, who are past masters of open-air cooking, will prepare the food, which will include the famous dutch-oven bread used by the fishermen.

The Mansion House is located at Rock Hall landing, and the party is set to begin about 4 P. M. All Kent Countains are invited to be present to honor the Chief Judge.

Negro Held On Murder Charge

James Bentley, 34 year old negro, is in the Kent County jail charged with the murder of James Sisco at the former's home near Rock Hall early Sunday morning.

According to a report of the shooting, the men were engaged in a card game and an argument started between the two men. Bentley left the table picked up a single barrel shot gun and as Sisco stood up fired, the charge hitting Sisco in the right shoulder and chest. He died a short time later.

By noon that day Sheriff Lee and Deputy Gsell had arrested Bentley, secured evidence and practically had the case ready for trial.

The trial is scheduled for the October term of Court.

WITH THE FORCES

Pilot Officer Philip Vander Goes of the Royal Canadian Air Force, formerly of Rock Hall and Chestertown, was seriously injured while on active service in Great Britain on August 26th. He is suffering from severe burns and shock.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Warner, of Rock Hall, received a cablegram from their son, Thomas Melvin, on August 5th saying he was safe and well. On August 12th they received a card saying he had arrived safely at his destination. Nothing else was heard until August 25th, when they received their first letter since July 15th, saying he was safe somewhere in England. On August 26th they received another letter that was written August 19th and was received one week later, coming by air mail.

Thomas says it has rained every day since he has been there except one half day, also the cars there are the size of our Austins. Thomas wrote home for washing soap as it is rationed over there.

Pvt. Harry W. Lewis had a three day furlough this week which he spent with his wife and parents in Chestertown. Pvt. Lewis is stationed at Fort Jackson, S. Carolina and is a combat engineer. He was one of the first selectees to leave Kent and has completed nearly two years in the army.

Dr. Robert Farr, who offered his services to the Professional Procurement and Assignment Division, has been asked to appear for his physical examination and if passed will be called into the service.

Charles Edward Dole, Cadet in the Navy Pre-Flight School at Athens, Georgia, has just completed his three month's preliminary training and ranked first of the two hundred and fifty members of the Batalion. He will be granted a short leave of absence before beginning final flight training and will visit his mother Dr. Esther M. Dole.

Aviation Cadet William C. Grieb, Jr., son of W. C. Grieb and M. T. Grieb, R. D. No. 3, Chestertown, Md., recently completed training as an Army Air Forces squadron engineering officer and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Air Forces Reserve.

He was trained at the Chanute Field branch of the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command and will be assigned to duty at one of the many Army air fields to take charge of ground crews maintaining Army aircraft.

The Summer recess being over the choir of Christ Methodist Church, under the direction of Iola Hollinger Bucher, will resume its work for the Fall and Winter at the morning service on September 13th. Rehearsals will begin on Friday night of this week. In addition to the Director the choir consists of twenty-two members, and Miss Louise Russell, organist. The choir will be augmented by several new members this year. Good music and helpful services is the promise of Christ Church.

Rock Hall Water Project Is Approved

Approval has been given by Governor Herbert R. O'Conor to Water Supply Permit No. 3934, issued by the State Board of Health to the Mayor and Councilmen of Rock Hall, authorizing an issue of notes or bonds in an amount not exceeding $8,000 for the purpose of drilling a water supply well.

Consideration was given by the Governor to the fact the absence of additional water supply well and of improvements to the existing water works treatment plant in Rock Hall were designated by the State Department of Health as "a menace to public health."

Governor O'Conor has been informed that the required priorities had been obtained for all materials necessary, and that these materials were scheduled to be delivered by the middle of September.

Harness Races To Be Held Here Labor Day

According to the officials, all is ready for the Harness Races to be held Monday, Labor Day, at the Kent and Queen Anne's Driving Park, near Chestertown, on the Massey farm.

Invitations have been sent out to over fifty sulky owners on the Eastern Shore and Delaware who are expected to participate in the park's fourth meet of this year. Six races in all have been scheduled for the day with heats for each race.

The Chestertown Firemen's Band under the leadership of Julian Coleman will furnish music for the occasion and a public address system will announce the horses names and positions as they come to post. Mr. Oscar Roe, of Sudlersville, veteran starter will handle the races from the judges stand. The races will get underway at 1:30 P. M.

Bobby Flash, well known trotter of Bob Shallcross, won a $500.00 stake race at Bedford, Pa., this week. The race is called the Washington Hotel Trophy.

Mr. Shallcross' horse trained by George Sutton, won his race in 2:11. He will trot at Ford City, Pa., on Labor Day.

Janes Methodist Choir To Render Sacred Concert

The Janes Methodist Church Choir of Chestertown will appear in sacred concert in the town park, Sunday afternoon, September 13th, at 3:30 o'clock. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

This will be another effort to secure contributions toward the mortgage fund.

Many friends contributed on a similar occasion last year when the church was in grave danger of being lost. The membership is striving now to meet the installment soon due.

Airport Abandoned Story Is Mistake

Major Clarence A. Remaley, of the United States District Engineer's Office, in Baltimore, has informed Congressman David J. Ward, that a report stating that plans for the Salisbury, Maryland, Airport project had been abandoned, is incorrect. The report should have been in reference to a proposed airport at Parksley, Virginia, he said.

An extensive drainage system has been planned for the Airport. With the assistance of Congressman Ward, a priority certificate has been obtained from the War Production Board for the steel necessary in the construction of the reinforced concrete pipe to be used in that system. The contract has been awarded and work will soon be started.

Farm Security To Give Farmers Loans

Farm Security Food for Freedom loans henceforth will be made on a "first come first served" basis in Kent and Queen Anne's County, J. Weldon Walbert, FSA Supervisor in Kent and Queen Anne's Counties warned today.

Pointing out the FSA loan funds are limited, Mr. Walbert said, "The farmer who needs credit to get into this war against Hitler and Hirohito better get started now. The bandwagon is moving fast, and nobody will be prevented from climbing on for lack of funds to expand production. But time is important. We can't help the man who won't help himself." The farm people of these two counties are firmly behind our defense efforts. They are determined that this country, its soldiers and its allies will not want for food if they can help it. These farmers have responded to the call for all-out production "on an unheard of scale."

The Farm Security Administration will give credit and technical advice to every farmer in difficulties— as long as the money holds out. "That's the reason we've set up this new 'first come first served rule.' "

FSA Food for Freedom Loans are being made to farmers unable to obtain credit at reasonable rates from other sources. The loan money may be used to buy livestock, fancing, seed, fertilizer, equipment or other materials needed to increase stocks of the vital war foods.

Sixteen Maryland Farmers Given Purebred Jersey Bulls

Sixteen farmers in 10 Maryland counties are the proud possessors of selectively registered Jersey bulls, as the result of a Victory Bull Campaign carried on throughout the Nation by the American Jersey Cattle Club. Governor Herbert R. O'Conor made the presentation at the University of Maryland on Saturday, August 22.

The 16 bulls were donated by Jersey breeders of the State as their part in the nation-wide campaign.

Those to whom the bulls were presented were: Palmer Andrew, Centreville, and Neal Huber Gibson, Sudlersville, both of Queen Annes county; C. C. Burrier, Detour, Carroll county; F. B. Cosgrove, Westernport, Allegany County; William V. Dawson, Germantown, Montgomery county; W. P. DeBerry and Charles Randall Jordan, Oakland, and Sam Yoder, Grantsville, all of Garrett county; Guy D. Dyer, Hancock, and Lester L. Gruber, Keedysville, Washington county; Henry Hubble and Gene F. Murphy, Ijamsville, Frederick county; Mrs. Annie L. Lankford, Easton, Talbot county; William W. Stansbury, Pylesville, and Thomas H. Wallace, Street, Harford County; Joseph A. Wood, Mechanicsville, St. Mary's county.

Three of the bulls were donated by Margaret England, Rick Neck Farm at Cecilton; Two each by K. L. Clevenger, Galena; Herbert Hoopes and Sons, Bel Air; Charles E. Rieman, Towson; Ayrlawn Farms, Bethesda; and Chambers Rock Farm, Newark, Del. One bull each was given by John S. Bushey and Sons, Sykesville; Charles E. Shaw, Hagerstown; and the University of Maryland.

F. Henry Jones, owner of Ayrlawn Farms and president of the Maryland Jersey Cattle Club, was in charge of arrangements. He stated that there were 55 applications from which those receiving bulls were selected. One thousand bulls were asked for in the national program and the number was over-subscribed.

Rotary Speaker

Joseph S. Merritt

The Rotary Club had as their guest speaker last Monday night Joseph S. Merritt, District Governor of the 180th Rotary District, who spoke on "Youth Service to the Community."

According to an announcement by President Bert Nicholson, the next meeting set for September 14th will be held at the home of his sisters, the Misses Mary and Bessie Nicholson, under the direction of the Rural Urban Committee of which Earl S. Hollinger is chairman. The dinner will be served by the Ladies' Aid Society of St. James Church.

There will be no meeting September 7th, since it is Labor Day.

The Womens' Auxiliary of Old Saint Paul's P. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Lois C. Robinson at the home of Mrs. Louis C. Robinson tember 8th, at 2:30 P. M.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Rock Hall Yacht Club will be held Sunday, September 6th, at the Club House, according to an announcement by the officials.

This meeting will begin at 2:00 P. M. sharp and will be for the election of officers for the coming year.

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