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Pratt Library Mulberry & Cathedral

SELECTEES TO LEAVE HERE MONDAY, OCT. 12

The following group of Kent County men will leave for induction in the U. S. Army next Monday morning, October 12. They will report to Reception Center at Fort Geo. G. Meade. Another selectee is to leave the following day, October 13. He is Edward F. Hogans.

White

James F. Hatcherson
Owen J. Elburn
William H. Stevens
Howard W. Taylor
James H. Stokes
Carl A. Hurd
Russell W. Harris
Thomas A. Matthews
David W. Joiner
Norman C. Brown
Vernon F. Joiner
Paul O. Williams
Elwood R. Ward

Colored

Leslie J. Jones
Hildred S. Willis
Freddie Ferrel, 3rd
Clifton J. Scott
George W. Derry
Garnett U. Tate
Arthur R. Jones
Harrison Bessick
McCall E. White
Charles H. Graves
Lloyd M. Thomas
William A. Greene.

Bad luck or good luck. It all depends on the way you look at it. But according to James French Hatcherson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hatcherson, of Fairlee, a broken leg sustained a few days before his scheduled induction into active service on Monday of this week, was bad luck. "I'd much rather be in the army", Hatcherson is quoted as saying, when visited at the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital, where he was taken for treatment.

James was helping his father on the farm, when the gears of a tractor became mixed, and he was caught in front of the tractor.

STATE WIDE RENT CONTROL DECEMBER 5

Rent control in Maryland, in areas not already designated, will not become effective until December 5, Lucien E. D. Gaudreau, area rent director, said yesterday.

However, Mr. Gaudreau called on all landlords and tenants not in the bounds of the current defense-rental areas "to keep rents from exceeding those in effort on March 1, 1942, thereby cooperating with the President's wartime program for controlling the cost of living until the machinery of Federal control can be placed in operation."

OPA Must Wait 60 Days

The first formal step toward effective State-wide control of rents was the recent order by Leon Henderson. Price Administrator, recommending that rents in all sections not previously designated as defense rental areas be placed at the rates in effect on March 1, 1942. This will include Kent County.

Mr. Gaudreau explained that the Emergency Price Control Act requires the OPA to wait sixty days after designating a defense-rental area before setting an absolute ceiling. This is to allow for possible action by local authorities.

Areas designated and under rent control already in Maryland include Baltimore city, Anne Arundel, Carroll, Cecil, Harford, Howard, Washington, Montgomery and Prince George's counties.

Exhibit At College

"The Canterbury Tales and Chaucer's England" is the subject of an exhibit, open to the public, now on display in the Museum Room of the George Avery Bunting Library.

Forty-one pictures of the Canterbury Pilgrims, of life in the 14th century, of Chaucer, and kindred topics are including in the exhibit prepared by the Boston Museum of Fine Arts and circulated by the American Federation of Arts, of which Washington College is a charter member.

The gallery is open every afternoon. The Chaucerian material will be on display through October 20. The Museum Committee of the College hopes to have at least one show a month throughout the college year. All residents of Chestertown are cordially invited. There is no charge of any kind.

VOLUNTEERS AT WORK ON KENT'S QUOTA OF SURGICIAL DRESSINGS

Above is pictured a group of volunteer workers making surgical dressings for the Red Cross in the center at the Chestertown Bank.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Perry Metcalfe, centers at Galena, Kennedyville, Worton and Betterton are working, with centers about to be organized at Fairlee and Rock Hall.

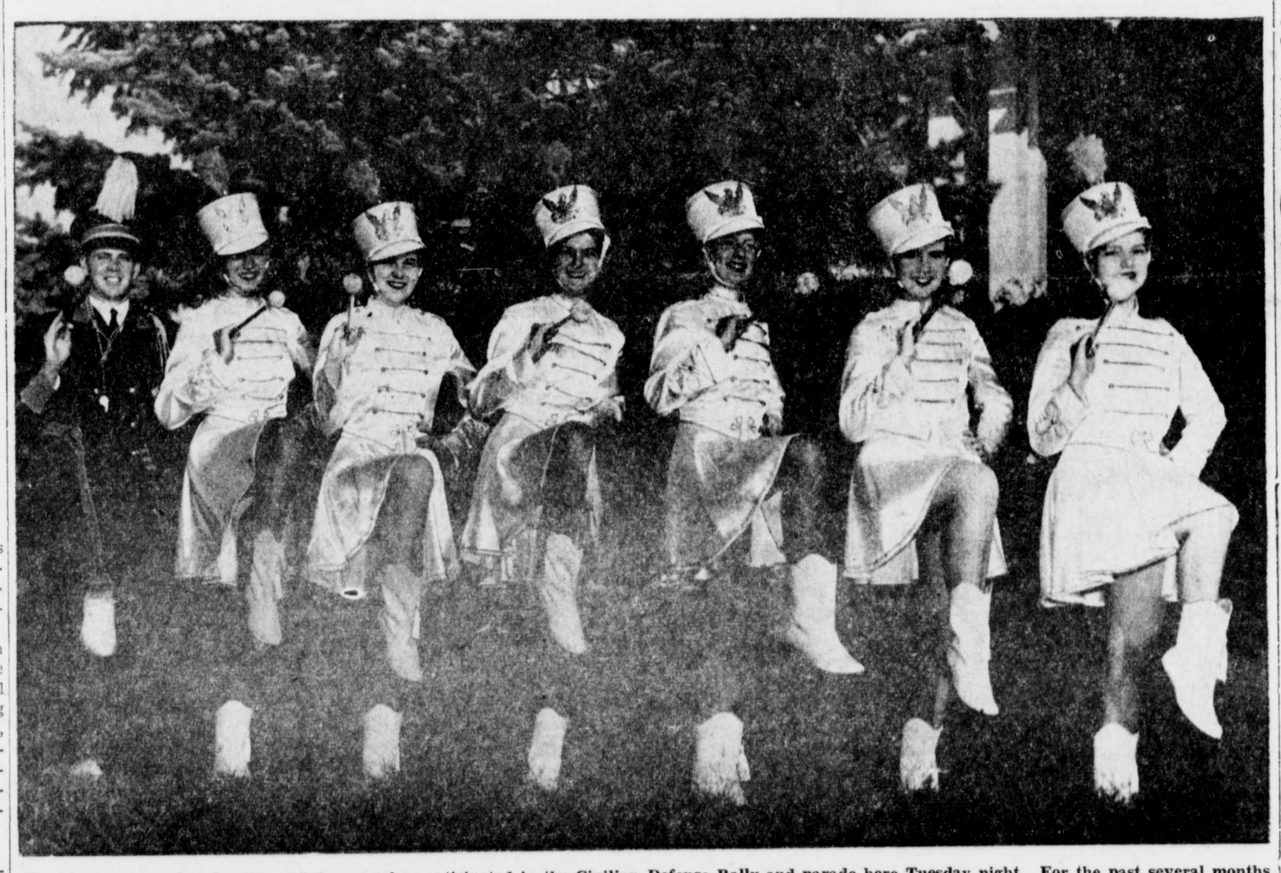
The Kent County quota for September was 30,000 dressings, which are not yet completed and still other quotas coming in for October and November. This fact points out the very urgent appeal for more and more workers. Only about 200 women in the whole of Kent County have responded. Here is a job for you—producing the surgical dressings which the Army and Navy must have now. There is no time to waste. Certainly you can give two hours a week (any day you prefer, morning or afternoon or both, in aiding the progress of this all important work. "One woman working a full 8 hour day can not make enough surgical dressings to supply one badly wounded soldier."

Already 3,000,000 surgical dressings have been shipped to Australia upon cabled request. And from London we learn that American Red Cross hospital supplies have been distributed to more than 100 Royal Air Force Hospitals since the start of the war.

General MacArthur said in a cablegram to Norman Davis "The Red Cross has never failed us."

WILL YOU?

MAKE FIRST APPEARANCE IN CIVILIAN DEFENSE PARADE



The above group of majorettes and drum major participated in the Civilian Defense Rally and parade here Tuesday night. For the past several months they have been receiving their training of baton twirling under the tutorage of Julian Coleman, leader of the Chestertown Firemen's Band. Reading from l to r they are Lee Walbert, drum major; Betty Truslow, Betty Golt, Peggy Truslow, Nellie Truslow, Betty Jones, Ann Coleman, majorettes.

FAST DRIVERS MAY LOSE THEIR RATION BOOK

Although the 35 mile speed limit might not be considered a State law in the strict sense of the word, it is, however, the limit that will for motorists who want to stay off the black list of their local War Price and Ration Board. This is the result of an announcement by State Ration Board Officials who stated that in the opinion of the office, speed in excess of thirty five miles an hour is against the public interest within the meaning of the O. P. A. regulations and therefore gives the O. P. A. the power to deny and even cancel existing rations.

Under the present State setup, the names of all violators of the 35 mile victory limit within this State will be sent to the O. P. A. Office in Baltimore and then to the various county offices where the violator resides. The local boards then have the power to reject any applications for tires by the offender and also request the State office to recall any gasoline ration that has been issued. This is effective, regardless of the classification of the offender, and such action would practically deny him the use of an automobile.

Legion Post To Hold Armistice Day Dance

At a meeting Wednesday of the Frank M. Jarman Post 36, American Legion, plans were made to hold a dance at the local armory on Armistice Day following the annual banquet. Further details will be published at a later date.

All committees for the ensuing year were appointed also at this meeting.

Garden Club To Hear Talk On Birds

Mrs. Allan A. Harris will be hostess on Tuesday afternoon when the October meeting of Our Garden Club, will meet at her home at 2.30 o'clock. (Note change of time.) Dr. Julian S. Corrington, professor of Biology at Washington College, will lecture on the subject of Birds, correlating his talk with their relation to flowers. This should prove most interesting and all garden club members are urged to be present.

The Suprevisors of the Kent Soil Conservation District will show four educational films at the County Agent's office in Chestertown on Friday night, October 9, at 8 o'clock.

These are timely films issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. They carry important information for all.

The interested public is cordially invited to see these films.

STATE GUARD STILL OPEN TO RECRUITS

Men now classified by the draft as 3-A and subjected to early induction on a change of status have been invited to enlist in the Maryland State Guard and receive basic training for possible higher ratings in the Army.

Several months ago the local guard unit started an intensive recruiting program which resulted in many new enlistments, but according to Captain Fred Dumschott and Leiut W. J. Stenger there are still many places to be filled and recruits are invited to the armory any Tuesday night for enlisting.

The various branches of training in the State Guard include chemical warfare, military police, basic army training and many other specialized branches of benefit to anyone about to enter the Regular Army.

Captain Dumschott said: "Basic training in the Guard has already helped numerous volunteers and draftees secure ratings and promotions in the Army. The Guard is open for enlistments from eighteen to fifty-one.

Metcalfe Brothers Close Worton Plant

Mr. James G. Metcalfe of the firm of Metcalfe Brothers, announced this week that Henry S. Rasin, a member of the firm of Metcalfe Brothers and Rasin at Worton had resigned his position with that company.

Mr. Rasin has been connected with the Metcalfe Brothers Worton branch for 21 years and was forced to resign due to the pressure of his farm work and lack of farm help.

Mr. Metcalfe said that it would probably be necessary to close their branch at Worton and serve their customers from that section at the Chestertown plant.

The Chester River Yacht and Country Club will have a brand new golf champion this year, that is one who has never before held that honor.

The tournament results to-date show Don T. Falls, Jr., in the finals having defeated W. J. Stenger. The other contestant in the finals will be the winner of a match to be played Saturday between F. Bramwell Geddes and J. Browne Metcalfe.

Charles F. Wheatley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Wheatley, of Chestertown, has been promoted to Corporal.

Corporal Wheatley who has been stationed at Turner Field, Albany, Ga., has been transferred to Officers Training School, Ordnance Division, at Aberdeen, Md.

COURT TO HEAR CASE OF RASIN'S CANDIDACY

Circuit Court Judges Owen D. Knottss and Raymond Horney will sit at the Court House, Chestertown next Monday for the purpose of hearing the petition of Mr. A. Parks Rasin, Jr., as to the eligibility for his name to appear on the ballot as a candidate for State's Attorney at the November election.

Mr. Rasin, together with six other Republican candidates, had been ruled off the ballot by the Election Supervisors due to the fact that their papers for candidacy were wrongly filed during the last few minutes before the midnight deadline. The ruling of the Supervisors of Elections followed a conference with the office of the Attorney General of Maryland.

According to the election laws of Maryland, when candidates fail to file in a primary of their party they are not eligible to be a candidate in the general election unless their candidacies are the choice of their party which is represented by the State Central Committee. Therefore the State Central Committee must file the names of the candidates as a group in order to indicate that the group is the choice of that party. If the names are filed individually by would-be candidaes it throws it open so that anybody might file and there may be any number of candidates of that party for the same office. This would make primaries useless and create a disorganized election. According to the evidence as to the case in question, the candidates did file individually instead of the State Central Committee filing names as a group.

Mr. A. Parks Rasin has filed a petition to compell the supervisores to place his name upon the ballot. The hearing on Monday will be on this petition.

CHILDLESS 3A MEN NOW BEING RECLASSIFIED

State Selective Service Headquarters reveals that Maryland local draft boards are in the process of reclassifying childless married men from Class 3-A to 1-A.

Colonel Stanwood, State Director, said reclassification of men in this category is necessary to maintain the reserve pool of man power required by local boards to meet future quotas. These married men are now in Category 3 of Class 3. This category is defined by State Selective Service Headquarters as: "Registrants otherwise qualified for military duty who have wives with whom they are maintaining a bona-fide family relationship in their homes and who were married prior to December 8, 1941, and at a time when induction was not imminent. This category does not necessarily involve financial dependency."

Colonel Stanwood said "Married men with children will not be inducted until we are so ordered by National Selective Service Headquarters in Washington."

Married men in Kent County who are without children are being notified in their turn to appear for a physical examination locally, after which they are either placed in 3-A or in a classification with physical defects.

D. A. R. Meeting

The London Bridge Chapter, Daughters of American Revolution met Tuesday, September 29, at the home of Miss Elizabeth Starkey. Miss Starkey and Mrs. Howard Pennington were the hostesses for the occasion.

After a very lovely dinner served the members, at 6.45 o'clock, the regent, Miss Bottomley, gave an interesting account of her plans for the coming year. The members hope they may be able to complete this work, most satisfactorily.

Dr. W. H. Moyer president of the Eastern Shore Chiropractor Association will attend a 2 day meeting of the Maryland Chiropractors Association at the Emerson Hotel in Baltimore on October 10 and 11.

The main speaker of the meetings will be Dr. L. J. Steinbach, president of the Universal Chiropractic College at Pittsburg, Pa., his talk will be Spinal Balance and the help Chiropractors can be to the Armed Forces of the United Nations.

The hospital auxiliary will meet Wednesday, October 14, at 10.30 a. m., at the Legion Bldg. This is an important meeting. Members are urged to be present.

OPEN HEALTH MEETING SET FOR OCTOBER 14

The Maryland State Department of Health will hold a Regional Conference in William Smith Hall next Wednesday, October 14, according to announcement yesterday by Dr. A. F. Whitsitt, County Health Officer.

This meeting will be of special interest to those connected with the parent-teachers association, home-nursing and other public agencies. Representatives from Kent, Queen Annes, Cecil and Caroline counties will attend the meeting. Dr. Whitsitt further states that this is an open meeting and the general public is invited.

Following is a summary of the day's schedule.

Morning Session

9.30 a. m.—Welcome Address—Dr. Fred Livingood, Dean, Washington College.

9.40 a. m.—Public Health Nursing Problems—Miss Marianna Ward.

10.10 a. m.—Remarks—Dr. R. H. Riley, Director, State Department of Health.

10.20 a. m.—Control of Communicable Disease—Dr. C. H. Halliday.

11.00 a. m.—Genitoinfections Veneral Disease Control—Dr. Nels A. Nelson.

12.00 a. m.—General Discussion (Open to all).

12.30 a. m.—Luncheon.

Afternoon Session

2.00 p. m.—Plan For Medical and Hospital Obstetric and Pediatric Care for Wives and Infants of Men in Military Service—Dr. Edward Davens.

2.15 p. m.—Industrial Feeding—Miss Eleanor Enright, Nutritionist.

Discusion — Mrs. Geraldine Williams, R. N., Miss Margaret Tosh, Miss Laura Schoenborn.

3.00 p. m.—Nutrition Briefs.

(1) Organizing County Nutrition Services (10 minutes) Miss Helen Harner.

(2) Nutrition Reports—
Private Agency—Miss Harriett Vane.
Public Agency—Mrs. Margaret Massey
Farm Security—Miss Helen Willerton.

(3 A Cooperative Nutrition Project by The Health Department and Board of Education and Home Demonstration Agent.

Mrs. Hynson Beck.
Miss Helen Schellinger.
Mrs. Cornelia Lumpkin.

(4) County Milk and Food Program—Mr. William L. Wilkins.

(5) Teaching Materials — Miss Marion Waters, Nutritionish.

8 SUGAR STAMP GOOD FOR OCT.

Retailers were cautioned yesterday against accepting any ration stamps other than No. 8 for sales of sugar during the month of October. Officials of the War Price and Rationing Board, said there was some confusion among consumers and retailers as to the period covered by the No. 8 stamp.

He pointed out that No. 8 stamp is good through October 31. The impression of some retailers and consumers was that the stamp expired on September 30. This is incorrect. The value of the No. 8 stamp was set at five pounds of sugar for the ten-week period beginning August 23 and ending October 31.

NO BLACKOUTS UNTIL AFTER OCTOBER 15

Maryland will have no surprise air-raid alerts or blackouts until after October 15 under a new decision from the First Fighter Command.

The State's planned unannounced tests first were set for September, but the Fighter Command ruled these out until yesterday, October 5.

Yesterday Col. H. S. Barrett, chief of the air-raid precautions services for the State, had a new ruling from the command, banning the tests until after October 15.

Colonel Barrett said a new procedure in ordering the tests is being worked out. Under the new plan authorization for the tests would come from Major Gen. Milton A. Reckord, commanding officer of the Third Service Command, rather than from the Fighter Command, Colonel Barrett said.

Sgt. Harrison W. Vickers, Jr., has been transferred to 2nd Troop, Carrier Squadron, Pope Field, Fort Bragg, N. C.

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