# NEWS GATHERED ON PENINSULA

**Edgewood Soldier Is Exonerated In Shooting**

Bel Air—Military authorities at Edgewood Arsenal last week end revealed the fatal shooting of Charles Lee White, a negro prisoner, by an Arsenal Military Policeman on December 29, as they announced an army board of inquiry had found the young guard acted in the line of duty and freed him of blame.

The negro prisoner, serving three months at hard labor after conviction by a court-martial of having violated the Articles of War, was killed in an attack upon the MP, Pvt. Charles Luli.

According to the finding of a three-day investigation by a board of officers, White, formerly of Blytheville, Ark., a member of a Chemical Warfare unit at the Arsenal, and two other prisoners were working at a sawmill on the day of his death. He complained to Private Luli, on guard duty, that he was ill. The sentry took all three prisoners to the guardhouse. where a prison official directed that White be taken to the dispensary for examination to determine whether he should continue at work.

As Private Luli ordered White to proceed to the infirmary, the prisoner whirled around and grabbed the bayonet on the shotgun with which Luli was armed.

In the struggle that followed, Luli fearing that he would be disarmed, fired the weapon. White was struck in the abdomen and died several hours later at the station hospital.

**Dover Officials Unopposed In City Election**

Dover, Del—Present indications are that Dover city officials whose terms expire this year will be candidates for reelection to their present offices without opposition at the annual municipal election on Monday, January 18th.

While none of these officials have made any announcements concerning their intentions in the matter, it is known that the public generally expects them as candidates and that nominating petitions in their behalf will be filed on or before January 11th, the closing date for filing these petitions.

A contest at a municipal election would be somewhat of a new experience for Dover voters as there has been no such contest for a number of years since the present city manager form of government became effective here in 1929.

Mayor J. Wallace Woodford, who long ago established a record among Mayors of this State for continuous service, will be completing his eighteenth year in that office this year and will be reelected without opposition according to present trend of opinion.

Throughout his long career in that office, the Mayor of Delaware's capital city has never faced opposition for reelection. He has been able to "sell" residents of this city on a continuous plan of civic improvements, which has been halted this year because of war conditions, but which will be started again after the war and which has always been financed through current receipts rather than by bond issues.

**Havre De Grace, Bel Air Tracks May Close**

Havre de Grace—The Havre de Grace and Bel Air race tracks may be forced to close this year because of the ban on the use of gasoline for pleasure. Motorists face cancellation of their rationing books if their automobiles are reported parked in any recreation parking lot. Of course this spells doom to the tracks. No official statement has been made yet by the track officials, but it is believed that announcement will come soon advising the public that Harford tracks will be unable to operate.

The Havre de Grace track is one of the older tracks of the nation and has been in operation continuously since it was constructed. Bel Air's half-mile track is comparatively new but in its short existence it has become the number one small track in the Maryland circuit.

**Dehydration Plant To Be Operated At Fruitland**

Salisbury—A dehydration plant capable of converting 40,000 pounds of sweet potatoes into 8,000 pounds for shipment to the armed forces every 24 hours will begin operation in Fruitland within the next two months. This plant will be one of 12 now being built along the east coast. Sweet potatoes are not the only food that will be dehydrated. Others will be done as the season comes around. The government is taking all the produce however.

**Miniature Railroad In Delmar Community Room**

Delmar—Members of the Delmar Fire Department have installed a complete miniature railroad in the Community room of the firehouse. It is displayed on a platform 15 by 8 feet standing 2 feet from the floor. There are seven trains that can be operated at the same time. A small village, army camp and a submarine base have all been built around the railway. The display was started Christmas Day and to date had been shown to about 700 persons.

# SOCIAL LIFE IN AND AROUND STILL POND

Miss Loraine Woodall has returned home after spending sometime with her neice, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Atwell.

Mrs. J. Leonard Price has been housed this week with a badly sprained ankle and Miss Louisa Travis is housed with a bad cold.

Mrs. Kate Ford of near Fairlee visited with friends in our village the past week.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship and The Official Board held their regular monthly meeting in connection with Church night, Wednesday evening in the Church School room. A covered dish supper preceded the meetings. The annual election of officers for the M.Y.F. was held at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffith of Pennsylvania spent several days at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Cornelius and son Billy, with Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Cornelius, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Micheal in Baltimore.

Corp. Walter Galen Clark, 2nd, Signal Service Battalon, Washington D. C. visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner Geary were hosts at a family dinner in honor of Mr. Geary's birthday. Others on our Birthday list are, Mrs. H. M. Rasin, Mrs. J. C. Boulden, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geary, Jimmy Jones and Ben Anthony.

Betty Joyce Bramble of Massey was a week-end guest with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Bramble at Still Pond Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis, Jr. and cousin, John Wood of near Wilmington spent last week enjoying the gunning on their place "Elmwood Farm" near here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Geary, entertained the Philathea Class of Still Pond Church; School, Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schofield returned home Wednesday after spending several weeks with relatives in Wilmington, Del., and Georgetown, Md.

Mrs. L. P. Atwell has been visiting with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison in Laurel, Md.

Mr. Clarence Thompson of Chestertown spent several days with his sister Mr. and Mrs. John Jarvis last week.

Mr. Carson Greenwood and Mr. Wallace Ford, have enrolled in the Fire Department at Aberdeen.

Mrs. Wm. Medders was the weekend guest of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Harris near here.

# MASSEY

Mrs. Mattie Starkey has returned home after spending sometime with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hare and family in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. LeSage of Still Pond, Mrs. Oliver Nicholson and daughter, Margaret Ann of Worton were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Freeman. Mrs. LeSage remained for the week.

Mrs. Marion VanSant spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Stoops at the "Cliffs."

A meeting of the Minute Men was held in the Hall on Thursday night of last week. A good attendance was present.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Burris visited his mother who is quite sick at her home in Ingleside.

Miss Virginia Edwards was taken to Dr. Jones Hospital in Wilmington on Monday for appendicitis operation We are wishing her a speedy recovery.

Those on the birthday list are Misses Margaret Ann Anderson and Betty Joyce Bramble and Master Andrew Cummerford.

Mr. Edward Freeman and Mrs. Lee Freeman spent Saturday in Wilmington.

Mrs. William Anderson entertained at dinner on Sunday in honor of the birthdays of her daughter Margaret Ann and her brother, Daniel Mullen. Guests were, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mullen and daughters, Ruth and Kay; Mrs. Irving Atwell and Elizabeth Ann. Messrs. John Mullen, John Burns and Bernard Mullen.

Due to gas restrictions on pleasure driving, visiting and social calls will be laid on the shelf for a time. Thus making news scarce and your correspondent without a line.

# SOCIAL NEWS OF BETTERTON

An Official Board meeting of the Methodist Church was held last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crew.

George Brice of Aberdeen spent Sunday with his family here. Mrs. Brice has been very sick.

The Homemakers Club met last Tuesday afternoon at the School house with the Red Cross Workers.

Vernon Glenn of U. S. Army who is stationed now at a camp in Virginia spent last Sunday with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Gleen near here.

# DEATHS DURING THE WEEK

**Francis A. Wallis**

Mr. Francis A. Wallis, son of the late Francis Adolphus and M. Georgianna Willson Wallis of Kent County died at the home of his sister Mrs. J. Percy Wilson at Landover, Md., Jan 8, 1943, aged 76 years. He is survived by his wife and one son, Mr. J. Hendal Wallis of Wilmington, Del., and two grandchildren, also seven sisters and brothers: Mrs. H. E. Perry and Mrs. J. Percy Wilson; Mrs. Eva Sasscer, of Marlboro, Md.; Mrs. John A. Wheeler of Silver Spring Md.; Mr. Thomas S. Wallis, of Arlington, Va.; Dr. Harry H. Wallis of Richmond, Va.; and Mr. John C. Wallis of Centreville, Md. Funeral services were held at St. Margaret's Catholic Church, Seat Pleasant, Md., Monday Jan. 11th at 9:15 a. m. Interment, Mount Carmel Cemetery, Upper Marlboro, Md.

**Turkeys Increase**

About 1 per cent more turkeys than in 1941 is estimated for this year. In February, turkey producers intended to increase their flocks 8 per cent but weather conditions and labor shortages cut down the crop.

and had a short visit with his grandmother Mrs. Mary Myers here.

Chas. Joiner, Jr., has been very sick at his boarding house in Havre de-Grace. We hope for his speedy recovery.

Services will be held at P. E. Church Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m.

Mrs. Minnie Coleman and Mrs. Mary Moore were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carson Greenwood in Still Pond.

We have three young men in our town who have to walk on crutches We hope they will soon be able to walk without them.

# Kent Duplicates Vital Statistics For 1942

Kent county's vital statistics for 1942 almost exactly duplicated those of the previous year, wartime conditions notwithstanding.

Births in 1942 numbered 262, one less than in 1941, although Dr. Anderson F. Whitsitt county health officer said both rates were about ten per cent. above a ten-year average.

Marriage licenses issued during 1942 totaled 197, exactly the same number as in the year before. Deaths were 179 slightly under the ten-year average.

**'Give a Gun' Campaign**

Akron, Ohio, recently held a "Give a Gun" campaign to aid the scrap metal drive, fixing a quota of 12½ pounds per person—the amount of metal in a .30 caliber machine gun. A parade featured two 10-ton steam rollers, a seven-ton concrete mixer, several hearses.

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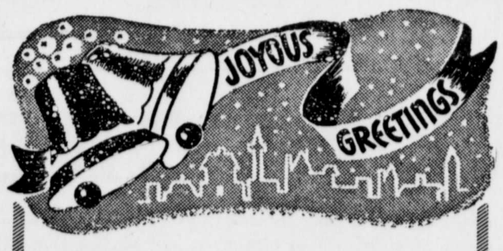


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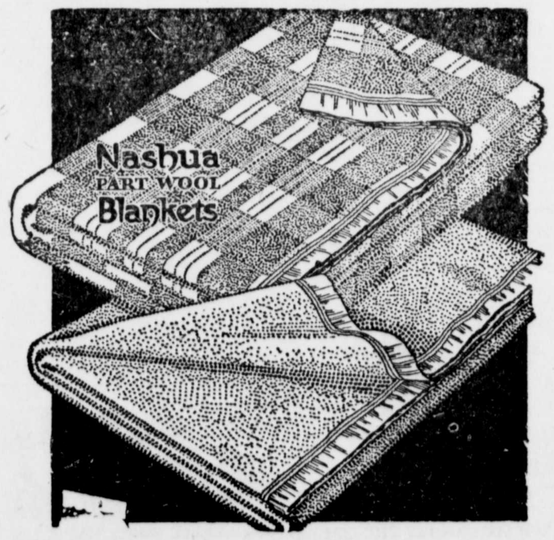


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