The Social Wanderer

Dear Roamer

The trite but true saying, "Hot as July" is veritably in full force. Thoughts of a vacation come to mind with ever increasing intensity, as, with the rising thermometer, work becomes more and more of a task and the sound of breakers at the sea shore or the rustling cool breezes of mountain pines looms as a goal to be attained.

Fulfillment of such has started by the exodus of several residents who have decided against any procrastination.

Mrs. Eben F. Perkins left on Wednesday to spend a fortnight in Marblehead, Mass., as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Stone.

The same day, Mrs. Vannort Simpers left for New River, N. C., to remain over the week-end with her husband, who is stationed there.

Mrs. Harry H. Deringer and her young daughter, Mary left on Thursday for Narragansett, R. I., where they will visit Mrs. Winton Tolles, formerly of Chestertown, who has a house there for the summer. During Mrs. Deringer's absence, Mrs. Nellie Hawkins of Baltimore will visit with Mrs. Walter Hawkins, who is spending the remainder of the summer at her daughter's home.

Mrs. Nora C. Maxwell left on Tuesday for Germantown, Pa., for a visit with Dr. Jane Leslie Kift, who has frequently visited here, lecturing at Garden Club meetings and judging Flower Shows.

Others coming to Chestertown to spend their vacation include: Mrs. Leonard DeMerritt of Baltimore, who is spending a week as the guest of Mrs. H. Clay Brown.

Mrs. William P. Ellington and her young son, Porter, of Alexandria, Va. arrived on Thursday for a visit of two weeks with Mrs. Ellington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Usilton, Jr.

Mrs. Edward Fennimore, formerly of Kent County and who is spending the Summer in Easton, was a guest this week of her sister-in-law, Mrs. William T. Dixon at Green Point Farm. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse D. Maxwell entertained at dinner on Tuesday evening in her honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Hurst Purnell of Baltimore will be guests of Mrs. Dixon this week-end. Mrs. Purnell before her marriage was Miss Eizabeth W. Dixon.

Lt. Eldward A. Hurd, Jr., U. S. A. F. and Mrs. Hurd will arrive to-day from Wyoming for a week's visit with the former's mother, Mrs. E. A. Hurd, at The Reward. This is Lt. Hurd's first return to Kent County in fifteen months, when he was sent to the West for training and is incidentally the first view of his young daughter who was born after his departure.

Staff Sergeant William B. Usilton III is home from Ft. Meade on a ten day furlough, visiting his wife and parents.

Mrs. Harold Tattersall of Mendenhall, Pa., is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter L. Churchman.

Parties over the week-end included a cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roach on Saturday afternoon at Reardon, and one by Mr. Wilbur R. Hubbard on Sunday afternoon at Wide Hall.

Mrs. T. G. Horsfield of Westfield N. J., will come on Saturday to join her two young daughters, Nancy and Sue, who have been visiting their grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Julian Power for the past three weeks. Mrs. Horsfield will remain for a visit of two weeks in Chestertown.

Miss Julia Power of Baltimore has been a guest of her parents here for the past week.

Miss Mary Louise Smith, daughter of Mrs. William Lamb, who is with The People's Life Insurance Co., was rushed to the local hospital on Monday evening for an appendicitus operation.

Miss Florence Walls left Thursday for Wilwood, N. J. for a two weeks vacation, and will resume her duties at the Kent Co. Department of Health on her return.

Miss Helen Westcott visited her mother, Mrs. Fred Westcott last week-end. Mrs. Westcott, who has been ill for the past two weeks, was welcomed by her many friends on her return to "Lawyers Row" this week.

Journey's end, and thirty! Too hot for any epilogue.

Yours melting

The Wanderer

Washington Digest

'When Will War End?' Nation's No. 1 Question

Ruhr Valley Bombings Seen as Concrete Evidence of Germany's Inevitable Defeat; Aviation Expert Revises Estimate.

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Today Washington, deep as it is in the problems of the moment—on the home front and along the seething globe-scattered sectors where our men are fighting—is more deeply conscious of the future than ever before in history. And that feeling is clearly reflected in every town, city and cross-roads in the country.

The letters I receive express this interest in tomorrow, the many polls on post-war problems and the plans to solve them echo that interest, the comment of leaders the organization of clubs and forums and committees to discuss them, add up to the largest and healthiest curiosity that the nation has ever seen. The political parties recognize this and the Republicans are busy working on a constructive foreign-policy plank for their 1944 platform to meet the administration's post-war plans.

As the people look toward tomorrow, the first thing they ask is: "When will the war end?" You can't get an official prognostication on that subject and, personally, I would hesitate even to make a guess. But this week, there came to my notice two remarks, one from the German propaganda minister and one from the president of an American aviation corporation which I want to place figuratively in parallel columns—not only side by side with each other but in balance with previous remarks of both men.

Goebbels' Viewpoint

Some time ago, Herr Goebbels spoke of "the Ruhr," that little industrial area including the historic center of Germany's munitions manufacture, the Krupp works of Essen.

Goebbels was on record as saying that the destiny of the Ruhr was the destiny of Germany itself. And then only a few days ago, a broadcaster from Berlin admitted that the "havoc" wrought by the Allied bombers in that area was "incredible."

The other gentleman whom I wish to quote is R. S. Damon, president of the Republic Aviation corporation, which builds those famous P-47 "hunderbolts," the fighters which have done such an efficient job of protecting our bombers over Europe.

Some time ago Damon predicted that Germany would be knocked out of the war by 1944. But Mr. Damon has now revised that estimate. He says:

"Unpreparedness may have cost us many early rounds but now it appears possible that Germany will have been removed from the lists by the end of 1943. I believe this to be true because no nation, not even Hitler's Germany, can suffer the rate of attrition which is now being inflicteld on the Nazis and survive for long. The aerial combat box scores are now so definitely in our favor and our constantly increasing production of fine aircraft and well-trained airmen precludes any possibility of those scores being reduced, unless by a miracle, and the days of Hitler's miracles have ceased to be. Our air forces are now systematically and liberally pulverizing the industrial centers of Germany and without her industries, Germany cannot fight or even exist."

Mind you, I do not underwrite this prophecy but I think it is worth recording because both men have revised their views in the direction of a shorter war—Goebbels would never have dwelt on the importance of the Ruhr in the beginning if he knew he would have to admit the degree of its destruction—Damon, after similar consideration, reduces the time he believes it will take to knock Germany out.

Aviation's Growth

In both cases, we have a tribute to the tremendous growth of American combatant airpower. Now let us look at the parallel growth in non-combatant airpower. We turn to no less an authority than the Office of War Information:

"By 1945, it is expected that transport planes in the 100,000-120,000-pound class wil be flying in quantity, carrying loads of 15 tons at a speed of 250 miles per hour over distances such as from New York to Chicago.

"By 1946, it is expected that 70 per cent of the passenger travel, now relying on railroad pullmans, will go by air—about 20,000,000 passengers a year.

"Exclusive of certain military airdromes, there will be about 865 major airports in the United States by the end of this year, all with paved runways of 3,500 feet or more, capable of handling the largest planes, where fewer than 100 existed in 1940. In addition to these there are well over 2,000 smaller fields.

"To operate these planes and airports after the war, there will be the 3,000,000 air-minded and trained pilots, navigators, radiomen, airport engineers, traffic controllers and others who will be in the air forces by the end of this year."

The OWI predicts post-war flights of 11 hours from Washington to Paris and London; 7 hours from Washington to Mexico City; 16 from Washington to Moscow; 18 from Washington to Cairo or Buenos Aires and 22 hours from Washington to Tokyo (if Tokyo is still on the map.)

I quote these statements to show how tremendously the world we are living in today differs from the world we lived in before Pearl Harbor—a change which must affect all phase of life tomorrow. Already, as far as the military go, the earth has shrunk from the comparativev size of an orange to the size of a marble. When the war is over and we have had time to adapt what we have learned in the field of aviation to peaceful transportation, it will shrink to the size of a pea. When we shift our war effort to peacetime production, it will shrink still further.

Utopian Plans

Aviation is only one phase of the achievement the war has forced upon us; there are great plans bursting to become realities, many that seem so utopian that the cynics scoff—a world organization to enforce peace and achieve freedom from fear; world co-operation which will increase production and facilitate distribution to the point where there will be at least an approximation of freedom from want—to tick off only two of the four freedoms for which we are supposed to be fighting.

Discouraged at our inability to realize within our own vast borders all of the dreams of our founding fathers, we cannot believe that the high aims for unity embracing the whole world can be anything but pure fantasy. But if we can shrink the globe from orange to marble, a feat that would have been considered utterly incredible to our own grandfathers, must we say that we cannot build a world unity and a world understanding greater than anything heretofore conceived?

It took a dreamer to put the first wings on man—the laboratory and the machine shop did the rest. With the widespread will to a better future providing the psychological inspiration, who knows but that the energy which has made the prosecution of global war possible can be transmuted into a framework upon which global peace can be built?

It's a smaller globe, after all.

As we begin to think in global terms, we have to adjust our views of geography. For instance, suppose someone should tell you that the important port of Siberia, for which the Japs yearn but do not dare attack, the port of Vladivostok, were a hundred and fifty miles south of the poetic city of Venice with its streets of water? Of course, you would know better but could you say how much better?

Or if someone said flatly to you: "You can't tell me what South American countries a line running straight south from Savannah, Ga., would pass through," you would feel you could at least guess and get one right.

No. No. Naples is 150 miles north of Vladivostok.

You can't name any South American country south of Savannah, Ga., because the western coastline of South America is east of such a point.

Guess again.

Briefs

Tokyo propagandists have added India to the growing list of countries they are seeking to dazzle with promises of Japanese-style "independence," the Office of War Information says on the basis of Tokyo broadcasts exploiting the reported arrival in Japan of Subhas Chandra Rose, outlawed Indian extremist now very active in the Axis camp.

Commemorative lights in Polish cemeteries must be extinguished during blackouts, according to an article in a German-language paper in Poland reported to the office of war information.

Iron and scrap collections in Rhode Island average about 3,000 tons a week, or more than 9 pounds per capita.

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Bruises and deaths of animals on the way to market cost every year a pound of meat for every person in the United States, according to a statement from the U. S. Dept of Agriculture. In military terms, it says, that is enough meat to last 400,000 fighters o whole year.

Mrs. Alice Bacchus McFeely

Mrs. Alice Bacchus McFeely died in the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital last Friday night. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Rebecca McFeely of Baltimore, one brother, Mr. J. D. Bacchus and one sister, Miss Hattie Bacchus.

Funeral services were held on Sunday at 3 o'clock at the Usilton and Wells Funeral Home, with the Rev. Dr. W. P. Roberts, officiating.

The bearers were: Messrs: Fred G. Usilton, C. E. Noland, Chas. F. Wheatly, Thos. D. Bowers, M. E. Baker and James W. Crouch.

Interment was in Chester Cemetery.

Usilton and Wells in charge of funeral arrangements.

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RATION REMINDERS

Sugar

Stamp No. 13 in War Ration Book 1 is good for five pounds through August 15. Stamps No. 15 and 16 are valid for five pounds each for home canning only through October 31.

Coffee

Stamp No. 21 in War Ration Book 1 is valid for one pound of coffee unti July 21.

Processed Foods

N, P and Q Blue Stamps in War Ration Book 2 are valid through August 7.

Meats, Fats, Cheese, & Canned Fish

Red Stamps P, Q and R in War Ration Book 2 valid now; Stamp S, on July 18. All expire July 31.

Shoes

Stamp No. 18 in War Ration Book 1 valid for one pair of shoes through October 31.

Gasoline

No. 5 A coupons are valid through July 21. No. 6 A coupons valid July 22 through November 21.

Fuel Oil

No. 5 coupons are valid through September 30. Period 1 coupons in the new fuel-oil rations became valid July 1 and last through January 3, 1944, with value set at 10 gallons per household coupon.

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Only about 70% of a hog, 55% of a steer, or 47% of a lamb will make meat—a fast that leaves a lot of material to be made into by-products. The meat packing industry has become famous for its by-products. Continued research has developed about 140 of these—most of them from parts formerly wasted.

AROUND LYNCH

Miss Anna Mae Jones spent last week-end at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones.

Miss Maretta Hancock is visiting Miss Harriett Dwyer, who is the guest of relatives here.

Mrs. George Haddaway is now at the home of her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Haddaway after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Haddaway last week.

Corporal Marian Councell was a guest of his wife and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Usilton last week-end.

Dr. and Mrs. John Jaqueth and baby daughter Judy; Miss Anna Hawk and George Hawk who have been visiting Dr. and Mrs. Jaqqueth; and Mrs. John Jewell and sons Harry and Arthur left Tuesday for Upper Darby, Pennsylvania.

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Consumers are being asked to take advantage of the present plentiful supply of new-crop potatoes. Farmers have done their part by increasing production and it is now up to consumers to do their part by utilizing the food produced.

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Unfinished Attics

Unfinished attics may be responsible for 40 per cent heat loss.

Fifty Children Enrolled At Miracle House

Easton—The Miracle House, Maryland's Preventorium for undernourished children, owned and operated by the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, opened its annual season Thursday, July 1st it was announced by William B. Matthews, Managing Director of the Association.

Located at Claiborne on the shores of the Chesapeake, fifty children from Baltimore and the counties of Maryland will spend the summer having their bodies built back to health.

These children, according to Mr. Matthews, come from homes in which there is tuberculosis and are treated in order that they might withstand the disease when they return.

"This summer," said Mr. Matthews "we are running at about half capacity as we are not able to get the help necessary to take care of as many children as we have in the past."

The Miracle House is supported through the annual sale of Christmas seals.

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Ration stamps are not currency, nor are they legally transferable. They're valid only as detached from books at the time a purchase is made. Loose stamps mean that somebody gets more than his share of rationed foods.

Workers in a Michigan refinery fixed up a very low, false door leading to the pay office. On it is inscribed, "You will learn to duck lower if you don't Buy a Bond."

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Apply to County Board

All the more important items of new farm equipment are rationed, and purchasers must make application to their county board before tools or machinery can be obtained from dealers. Some hand tools and some of the smaller horse-drawn equipment still can be bought without a permit from the rationing board.

NOTICE

The Chestertown Bowling Centre will be CLOSED until the first week in August. During this time the alleys will be reconditioned and necessaay repairs made.

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