The Social Wanderer

Dear Roamer

Today, we have two weddings which are of much interest to Kent Countians.

First, is the announcement of the marriage of Miss Cynthia Clendaniel daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John H. Clendaniel, and Mr. Howard J. Busby. The ceremony was performed at 2 P. M. on Saturday, July 31st in Saint Mark's Church, San Francisco, Calif., by the Rev. George Dorn.

They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bristoe, formerly of Baltimore.

The bride was attired in a Waterfall blue gaberdine suit with tan and beige accessories, wearing a corsage of orchids to match.

Mrs. Busby has been a life long resident of Kent Co., until a few years ago, when she went to New York, where she has recently made her home.

Mr. Busby, a native of Philadelphia, Pa., is connected with an Engineering Firm in San Francisco, where after a wedding trip to Emerald Bay and Lake Tahoe, the bride and groom will reside.

The other, is the marriage of Miss Dorothea Dandridge Clay to Lt. Malcolm Westcott Hill, U.S.N.R. which took place at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in College Park, Md., on July 26th.

Miss Clay is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Coles Clay, formerly of Campbell Co., Va.

Lieut. Hill is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hill of Baltimore and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Westcott Hill of Alexandria, Va. He is an instructor at the Electrical Engineering Building at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, in which city, he and his bride will live at 214 Prince George St.

His grandmother, Mrs. Thomas Hill, was Miss Harriett Louisa Westcott, daughter of George Burgin Westcott of Chestertown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Bates Walls are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, born at the Easton Emergency Hospital, on Wednesday, July 28th. Mrs. Walls was formerly Miss Betty Walls of Kennedyville, Md.

Among the recent out-of-town guests visiting here were, Mrs. Jack Clendaniel of Baltimore, who visited Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Brice at their home, Arcadia Farm, for several days.

Miss Helen B. Westcott and her sister, Mrs. Edward Gouldner of New York were guests last week-end of their mother, Mrs. Fred Westcott.

Mr. George Baldwin, employed in Joliet, Illinois is spending two weeks as a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Baldwin.

Private Don Falls, Jr., of Camp Swift, Texas arrived here Saturday on a ten day furlough, visiting his wife and parents.

Mrs. J. O. Pippin and her daughter Virginia, of Centreville and Mr. William Peech, of Philadelphia, spent the past week wth Mr. and Mrs. Sudler Baxter.

Miss Doris Pinder of Claymont, Del., was a guest for several days, last week, of her grandmother, Mrs. J. S. Pinder on High St.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brinsfield and their young son, of Arlington, Va. are guests of Mrs. Brinsfield's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, at Fairlee. From here, they will go to Atlantic City, N. J., leaving their son with his grandparents.

Mrs. Alton Dryden arrived from Pensacola, Fla., on Wednesday and is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bonwill Dukes.

Miss Virginia Jones, of Baltimore, and Miss Carrie Frances Boyd, of Washington were guests of Sergeant and Mrs. Wm. B. Usilton, III last week-end.

Miss Elizabeth Harris, of Norfolk, Va., has been a guest of Mrs. James W. Kirby this week.

Mrs. Harry Schreiber and children of Columbus, Ohio, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schreiber.

Mrs. Elmer C. Thomas and her young son, Billy, left on Tuesday for Milton, Florida where they joined Mr. Thomas, who is doing Government work there.

Mrs. Ernest H. Strong and her daughter, Miss Helen Strong will leave on Monday for a week's visit to Harrisburg, Va., where they will be guests of Mrs. Strong's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Dwyer.

Mrs. Louise B. Dutcher and Miss G. Pippin have returned from a week's vacation to Severna Park, where they were guests of Mrs. Walter Pippin.

Mrs. Owen Selby was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Carey in Princess Anne, Md., for several days this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank B. Hines have returned from a few days visit to Rehobeth, Del.

Mrs. Geraldine Williams will return to-day after a week's visit in Baltimore.

News comes through of the lifting of the Pleasure Ban on September 1. Oh happy day! Maybe we will see each other again!

Yours rarin' to go,

The Wanderer

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Apples Rate High

An abundant crop of apples is expected this fall, according to fruit specialists. They call attention to the fact that for years the apple has been the popular home-grown fruit. It has so many uses that the homemaker would be lost without apples to serve in feeding her family.

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Washington Digest

Fear of Farm Land Boom Adds to Inflation Worry

Official Figures Show Agricultural Unit Values Have Increased 20 to 24 Per Cent in Year.

By BAUKHAGE
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For many months now, government offices and conference rooms, no matter how they might echo with glowing reports from the home or the battle front, have never been quite free from a ghost. It hovers in the corner and sends chills down every spine—it is the ghost of Old Man inflation, trying to come back to the scene of his crimes in the roaring twenties.

The Office of War Information has just issued a warning that this specter may appear in his most frightful form if we are not careful. The fat pay envelope is the inflation danger you hear most about. But there is a worse one, namely, a farm land boom. So far, there has been no spectular rise in farm land prices but a dangerous trend has been discovered in some states and the bureau of agricultural economics is decidedly worried. Here are some figures.

Up to 20 Per Cent

As of March 1st of this year, increases in farm land values over those ofthe previous year were 20 to 24 per cent.

In September, 1941, I wrote in these columns:

"Money to burn!

"And the burning question is how to stop the conflagration before it starts. The chief danger is another prairie fire of farm land speculation such as started in Iowa in World War I.....Today, two years after the present war started, farm land prices are up 1 per cent....."

Remember, that was written in September 1941. Well, steps were taken to prevent speculation then and they met with success. However, as we have seen by comparing figures, land prices in some states have now increased considerably. That is natural for much has happened since 1941. In 1942. as the Office of War Information points out, "for the first time in 20 years, the annual average of farm prices reached parity with other prices." Since the outbreak of the war, the average of farm prices has risen more than 90 per cent, and farm income by about 80 per cent while the average prices paid by farmers, including interest and taxes, has increased about 25 per cent.

Farm income was around 19 billion dollars in 1941—it will be about 22 billion for 1943.

That means, of course, that the farmer has money to spend and it is natural that land values would rise to some degree. As I said, they have gone up as high as 24 per cent in some states and less than 6 per cent in only six states. Those figures says the bureau of agricultural economics "bear watching"! It is also reported that bankers in some parts of the Middle West believe that in some cases, the land values have risen beyond their real worth based on the long-time earning capacity of the land. That, if it is true, of course, means that right now some farmers are buying land that won't pay for itself.

It is reasonable to suppose that they are not members of that unhappy group of 85,000 farm owners who met Old Man Inflation before and who lost their property under foreclosures in the decade that ended in 1939. If they are, they deserve to suffer again. But the unfortunate thing is that which the farmer loses, the rest of the country does, too. We have struggled through minor industrial panics, as we used to call them, but when the farm goes, it means that things are in such a way that there is no stopping until everybody touches bottom.

Campaign Worked in '41

The article which I wrote in 1941 reported a meeting here in Washington of mortgage bankers, insurance people, farm organization representatives and others who were urged by the Farm Credit administration to make normal appraisals of land. Apparently they did a pretty good job. Meanwhile, an educational campaign was started urging the farmer, instead of rushing out and buying land with the first money he got as income increased, to pay off his debts. It was gratifying to see the results. In the next year (1942) the net reduction of mortgages was 360 million dollars as against an average of 120 million reduction over the three preceding years. Of course, there is nothing Old Man Inflation hates worse than seeing debts paid up.

Another thing which has helped the present situation is the fact that the farmers who are buying land now usually put up a large initial cash payment. In other words, they are avoiding future debts and that is another thing, of course, which is equally unpleasant to Old Man Inflation.

There is nothing to stop the farmer from speculating in land if he wants to, buying on a margin the way the gamblers used to do on the stock exchange. Now such transactions are considerably limited by law but there is no law to keep a farmer from gambling if he doesn't know any better.

'Psychology for The Fighting Man'

I have just been reading a little booklet called "Psychology for the Fighting Man," It is one of those books published primarily for the soldiers, and every soldier able to read, ought to have it. It has 20 chapters, each written by a well-known psychologist or expert in his line. Any chapter can be read separately and they are all highly interesting. Familiarity with them will make any man a better soldier and a better leader. The chapter on mobs is only one. It tells how and why mobs form, what starts a panic and how to stop one.

But there are a few of the other topics I found exceedingly interesting:

Psychology and combat
Seeing in the dark
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In this war, a man needs all the helps of that kind that he can get for the contrast between army life and civilian life is greater than ever.

This book, "Psychology for the Fighting Man," is put out by a non-profit corporation — the Infantry Journal, here in Washington. It costs only a quarter. It is for the soldier, sailor, private or general, ensign or admiral. And it would be a good idea for a lot of next of kin to read this book, too. It might help them to understand what the soldier is up against.

Briefs

In addition to the two pairs of shoes issued every American soldier on entering the service, three extra pairs must be available in reserve, and two more pairs in process of manufacture.

Almost 1¾ billion rounds of small arms ammunition is being turned out each month. That is seven times as much as the 1918 peak.

The Japanese Domei agency disclosed that Emporer Hirohito had sent a message of "congratulations" to Marshall Henri Philippe Petain, Vichy chief of state, "on the occasion of Bastille day."

Under wartime operation, railroad freight cars must travel about 16 per cent farther on the average haul.

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VISITORS IN AND AROUND GALENA

Mrs. Walter Glass has returned home after spending the past week with friends in and around town.

The Sanctuary Society met at the home of Mrs. Alfred A. Walsh on Tuesday evening last. Twenty five members were present.

Miss Majorie Todd of Aberdeen is spending her vacation with her aunt Miss Jennie E. Parr.

Mrs. Tomas J. Quinn entertained about fifty guests on Sunday last in honor of her son Thomas Jr., who is a marine home on furlough.

Mrs. Clem Vaughn entertained Mr. Vaughan's mother and sister the past week.

Corporal and Mrs. Carl M. Dill, Jr. spent part of his furlough with his mother, Mrs. Carl M. Dill Sr.

Mrs. William A. Hoffecker spent Wednesday in Wilmington.

Mr. William T. Colgain died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Warren Johnston on Monday morning.

Mr. James Scotten is confined to his bed.

Serg. Lewin Steele is visiting his mother, Mrs. Jennie Steele.

Mrs. John Garton and daughter of Middletown are spending sometime with her mother, Mrs. F. K. Cochran.

Mrs. Francis Mead and daughter of Baltimore, are spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. C. D. Loskamp.

Mrs. Helen D. Spry has returned after visiting friends in Virginia.

Miss Kay Heigh Ahern and Miss Eleanor Cochran are attending the Girl Scout Camp at Booker's Wharf.

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Contour Yields More

Studies of wheat yields show that the grain drilled on the contour produces about three to five bushels more per acre than wheat planted in the ordinary way.

VISITORS IN AND AROUND MASSEY

Misses Jeanette and Irene Gillan have returned to their home in Phila. after a pleasant visit with their aunt Mrs. Mattie Starkey.

Mrs. James D. Lucas of New Castle Del., spent a few days this week with relatives and friends here.

Miss Mary Jane Rosin and Miss Virginia Jones of Baltimore were week-end guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Poore.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Everett accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Price made a trip this week to North Carolina to spend a few days with their son and brother, Carroll Everett, Jr., of the Air Corp.

Julian H. Jones of Wilmington spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Jones.

Mrs. Linwood Burris is suffering from poison ivy. A sister, Mrs. Clarence Husfelt of near Elkton is with her.

Mr. Andrew LeSage of Worton visited his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Freeman a few days this week.

Frances Poore and Patricia Sanner left Tuesday to spend two weeks at Camp "Winooski" at Bookers Wharf.

Mrs. Bertha Benson and daughter of Philadelphia spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Mattie Starkey.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Price Roe and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robinson of Dover Del., were Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Woodall.

Miss Janet Fisher and girl friend of Middletown are visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Redgrave near town.

Mr. Melvin Sanner and mother Mrs. Leonora Sanner and Mrs. Lydia Luff of Wilmington and Harry Rarick of te U. S. Army spent Tuesday evening with Mrs. Thos. F. Newnam. Mrs. Sanner returned home with them after spending several days with her mother.

Mrs. J. H. Passwater of Morristown N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eick and son of White House, N. J., are spending this week with Mrs. William Passwater and family.

Mrs. Rothburn Bramble and son Jerry spent a few days with her sister and family near Sudlersville last week.

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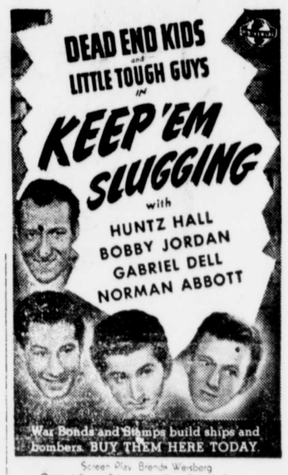

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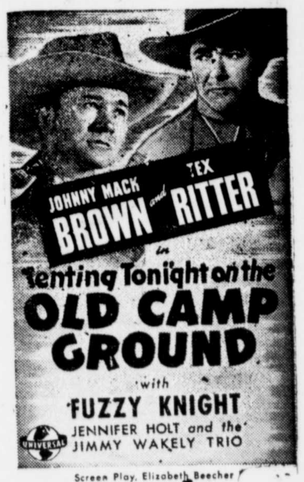

Screen Play, Elizabeth Beecher
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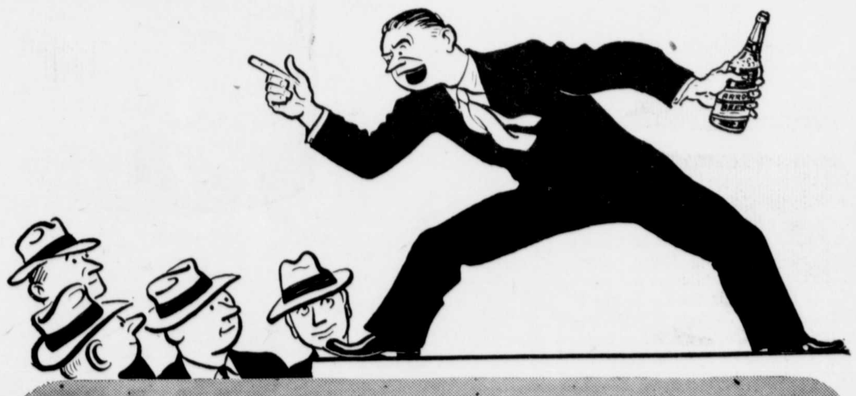

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