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STATE OWNED AUTOMOBILES GET NEW TAGS

Distribution of the special license plates which have been adopted to identify Stateowned automobiles has been completed, W. Lee Elgin, Motor Vehicles Commissioner, reported yesterday.

The special tags, which were ordered at the request of Hooper S. Miles, State Treasurer, acting in his capacity of State Auto Use Administrator are yellow with black letters and numerals, and they bear no date.

Some of these tags have appeared on cars in Kent County already, state road and agriculture autos.

Elgin said his plan was to have the tags used year after year, and that, subject to Governor O'Conor's approval, he would adopt the same system for autos owned by the State's incorporated towns, counties and Baltimore City.

In the past, the Motor Vehicles Department has issued license plates each year to such vehicles which are publicly owned, but Elgin declared he saw no reason why they should be renewed each year.

The number of gratis license plates issued annually runs between 4,000 and 5,000, he said, adding that the use of no-date tags would reuslt in a saving of money, steel and routine work in the Motor Vehicles Department.

He said, his plan was to issue special tags to all counties, towns, and Baltimore City, and to renew them only when the old tags were worn out.

The new plates for State-owned cars bear the name of the department by which the auto is owned.

The Motor Vehicles Commissioner also announced Maryland's auto license tags for the coming year had been virtually completed and were ready for distribution.

The new tags will be in the same colors as the present plates, but with colors reversed. They will have silver numerals and letters on a black background.

Because of the shortage of metal, only one plate will be issued to each car, and that will be displayed on the back. Elgin said he had considered use of plastic plates, such as have been adopted by several other States but had found the cost prohibitive.

SELECTEES WILL LEAVE HERE ON SEPTEMBER 7

On Tuesday, August 17, the follow ing group of Kent County Selectees were examined and passed by the State Selective Service Board. J. B. Vinyard, E. S. Cannan, E. M. Kennard and C. W. Pennington were accepted in the Navy and have reported as ordered.

The following were accepted by the Army and will report for duty at Camp Lee, Va., September 7. They are R. M. Le Compte, C. W. McLaughlin, C. W. Joiner, Jr., F. R. Beaver, J. J. Coleman, E. R. Usilton and W. B. Reihl. M. R. Miller will report September 10th. They will report by bus.

The following colored selectees will leave by train for Fort George Meade September 7, W. T. Maple, H. H. Wickes, J. E. Wilmer, W. T. Hopkins, J. W. Broadway, F. T. Johnson and W. P. Mason.

Theatre Manager Entertains Rotary

Through the courtesy of Mr. Emerson Russell, a Rotarian, members of the Rotary Club and the Rotary Anns were guests last Monday evening at the New Lyceum Theatre in the feature "Presenting Lily Mars."

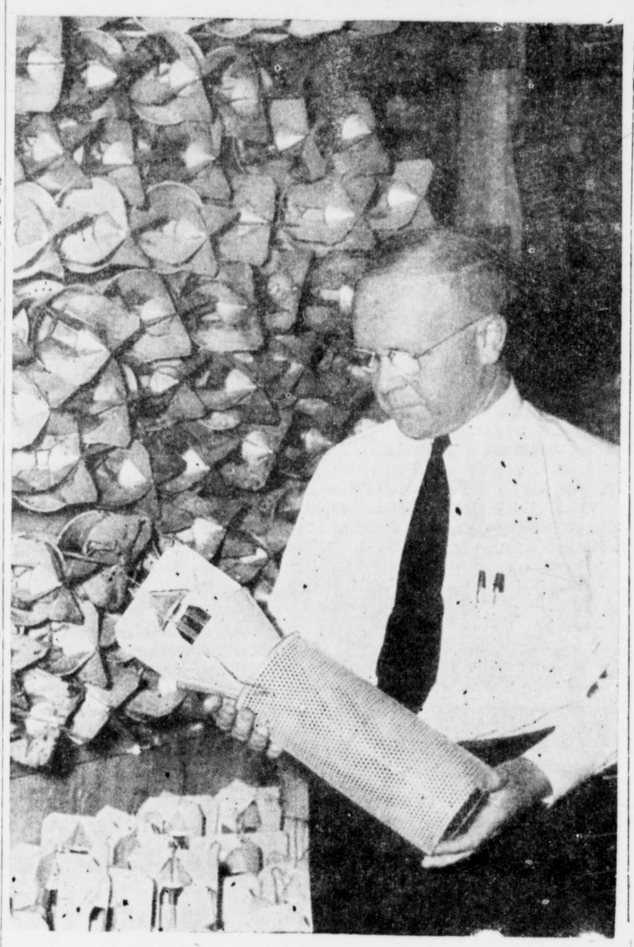
On Monday evening of next week, the Rotary Club will be guests at dinner at the Andelot Farms, when Mr. Walter Churchman, also a Rotarian, will be the host.

Engagement Announced

Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Woolford of near Chestertown of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Grace Elizabeth Woolford, to Mr. Robert Yamber of Philadelphia. The wedding will take place following the graduation of Miss Woolford who is now in the last year of her course in trained nursing at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore

Mrs. F. Keith Cochran of Galena has given four sons to the service of their country during the war. Last week Mrs. Cochran received word from her son, Pfc. Frank Cochran, latest to enter military services that he had arrived safely somewhere in England.

1st District Hit Hardest By Beetles



Albert Lee

Albert Lee, who is in charge of Japanese Beetle Control in Kent County, is shown above holding one of the newest traps used in this work during the past summer... Of 125 traps which Mr. Lee set and attended, 225 gallons of the beetles were caught... This isabout742,500 beetles in all... It is believed that this is a slight improvement over last year and the pests are on the decrease.

The worst stricken area in Kent was in the 1st District where 143 gallons were taken in 50 traps... Lee stated that the Jarrell farm in that district was the worst hit in the entire county as nearly everything on the farm had been devoured.

Mr. Lee is assisted in this work by Mrs. H. Louise Naylor and together they have innoculated 500 of approximately 700 farms through Kent County with what is called the "Milky White Disease". This work is carried on thru the University of Maryland.

MAYOR WILMER MAKES PLEA FOR WAR BOND DRIVE

At a meeting called by Mr. Charles F. Wheatley, Chairman, Wednesday, August the twenty-fifth, plans were made to effect a complete organization of Kent County for the sale of bonds during THE THIRD WAR LOAN DRIVE, which will open September 9, 1943.

The slogan is,

EVERY HOUSEHOLDER A BONDHOLDER.

Mayor Philip G. Wilmer makes the following plea to the citizens of Chestertown.

"Our Government is asking Americans for $15,000,000,000 more in the 3rd War Loan to back the attack. Citizens of Chestertown will do their part in this tremendous task. All of us, no matter what walk of life we come from, are fully aware of the urgency of putting our full weight back of the invasion.

There is an intimate note back of the Third War Loan Appeal: Back the Attack with War Bonds. From this community come many young Americans who are doing the attacking. We would not be worthy of them and their sacrifices if we did not lend every dollar possible to our government to keep the munitions of war flowing to our fighting men.

September 9, the date set for the start of the Third War Loan Campaign, should be observed as another stepping stone toward V-Day and the day when our boys come marching home.

I know I am echoing the feeling of everyone in Chestertown when I ask that the flag be displayed over all municipal buildings and by all homes. When we look at the Stars and Stripes on September 9, I know that all of us will be stimulated to do our duty in backing up our sons and neighbors' sons who are fighting to keep Old Glory flying. I know this community-wide display of the Star-Spangled Banner will stir us anew to do our best as individuals and as a community in the Third War Loan Campaign to help subscribe and oversubscribe this home front objective.

KINGSTOWN CLUB HOLDS MEETING, BUYS WAR BOND

When the August meeting of the Kingstown Community Club, which was organized several years ago for promoting the development of a new residential section at the Queen Anne's County end of the Chester River bridge opposite Chestertown, was held at the home of Mrs. David Williamson along the Chester River, the members resorted to an old fashioned strawride as a means of reaching the home.

At the business session, which was followed by refreshments, the treasurer, Howard B. Pyle reported that two $25 war bonds have been purchased with funds in the club treasury.

There was a general discussion of plans being made for the further development of the settlement which has grown considerably since the organization of the club from residents of only a few homes. There are now a large number of occupied cozy bungalows and homes. The club is maintaining a park in the development.

Officers of the club for the current year are: President, Mrs. Howard B. Pyle; vice-president, Mrs. J. J. Comegys; treasurer, Howard B. Pyle.

Kent 4-H Clubs Plan 3 Community Shows

All Kent 4-H club members, both boys and girls, will have the opportunity to take part in the Kent 4-H War Time Production Shows scheduled for Tuesday, August 31st at Worton Church Hall, Wednesday, September 1st at Rock Hall Methodist Church Hall, and Thursday, September 2nd at Chesterville. These three community shows will allow each 4-H member to exhibit at the show nearest him. The Maryland State Fair Board through the Maryland Agriculture Society will provide cash prizes and War Stamps for those exhibiting. Classes for all types of 4-H projects are arranged with particular emphasis on the production and conservation of food.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Garbage Collection Held Up, Due To Fire

Garbage collections were held up several days this week due to the truck of Mr. Solloways catching fire and burning all the wires off the motor. The truck was parked in Russell's Garage on Cannon Street when it caught fire. The firemen were called and the blaze was quickly extinguished.

Mr. Solloway, after several days of illness was able to be up and around this week after being threatened with Mastoids.

Former Clerk Joins The Sea Bees

The many friends and customers of Joseph B. Vinyard will greatly miss him in the town.

He joined the navy and left for service Tuesday, Aug. 24. He has been a manager of the Meat Dept. in the American Stores for the past 12 years was also a member of the Chestertown Fire Company. He is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vinyard of Frederica, Dal. very prominent citizens of that community. We wish him the best of luck.

Friends of
The American Stores Co.

Deputy Collectors To Be At Postoffice

Arrangements have been made to assign deputy collectors of Internal Revenue to various sections and communities throughout the District of Maryland for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in filing income tax returns for the calendar year 1943. This announcement comes from the office of A. Parks Rasin, acting collector of Internal Revenue, Baltimore.

Mr. Rasin stated the Deputies would be at the Chestertown Postoffice September 2nd and 3rd.

The upper end of Court Street, known as Hick's Alley was surveyed and measured for the extension of a sewer line this week. Up until this time, this section which is a group of negro houses has been without proper sewerage facilities. At present it is not known when the actual work will be started.

If soybeans are beginning to lose their lower leaves and the drought has seriously reduced their growth, then unquestionably they should be made into hay.

Heads Program



Skirven Startt

Skirven Startt of the Chestertown Lions Club will head activities next Tuesday.

BAND CONCERTS TO CONTINUE SEVERAL WEEKS

The feature of the Community sing next Tuesday evening in the Park will be a big mixed chorus. The chorus will be formed Monday night and all ladies and gentlemen, young and old that would like to sing with this group are requested to meet at the Fire House, Monday evening at 8 p. m. for rehearsal.

This coming Tuesday, August 31, was to have been the last community singing but last Tuesday evening when director, Julian Coleman, asked if they were interested in having them continue he had almost the unanimous vote of one of the largest audiences so far.

The program next week will be in charge of the Lions Club and Skirven Startt of that club will act as Master of Ceremonies.

The Tuesday following, September 7th, the barber shop quartettes will again be the feature.

Stores Likely To Continue Wednesday Afternoon Closing

Efforts are being made by the Chestertown Business Men's Association to continue the Wednesday afternoon closing. All members of the Association seem willing to continue closing and the secretary of the association has been instructed to canvass all stores and see if they will cooperate. The plan if it gets the proper cooperation would result in Wednesday afternoon closing for the whole year with the exception of the month of December.

To date all stores contacted have agreed to continue.

KENT IS PLACED AT BOTTOM IN JAIL INSPECTION

Regional jails to replace certain un satisfactory institutions are recommended in the new annual inspection report which classes only seven of the twenty-three county prisons as meeting minimum standards.

The report is based on inspections made last year by Howard C. Hill of the Department of Correction, and delayed in publication because of printing difficulties.

The institution in Baltimore was one of the seven jails found acceptable and was described as "in many respects the most satisfactory jail in the State."

Mr. Hill objected especially to feeding prisoners in the cells and failure to remove used dishes promptly; lack of sebregation of male and female prisoners; inadequate toilet facilities, often in ill-repair and other dirty conditions.

Ranked with Baltimore county in Class A were Dorchester, Harford, Montgomery, Prince George's, Washington and Wicomico counties.

At the bottom of the list in Class D, were Calvert, Kent, Queen Anne's St. Mary's and Somerset counties.

Postmaster Test

A Civil Service examination for postmaster at Chesapeake City, Md., will be given soon, as announced by the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., Applications must be filed at the commission's office not later than Sept. 10. The salary for this office is $2,000. Mrs. Margaret H. Mackey is the present postmaster.

PLEASURE DRIVER FINDS BAN TO BE STILL IN EFFECT

Pleasure driving motorists were readily awakened to the fact, that the pleasure ban is still in effect during the past week-end when an intensive drive on local summer resorts by OPA and State officers tagged 130 automobiles for violations. The greater majority were taken at Betterton Saturday night and the rest Sunday at Rock Hall with a few coming in from other places of pleasure.

One of the surprising factors of the drive was the number of "out of state" cars, which numbered 62 of the total. These numbers will be sent to their respective states where hearings will be held on the same.

The local numbers taken will be heard by the Kent County OPA board at a date to be announced later and are open to the public.

State and national officials have both announced that unless the public cooperates in the curtailment of gasoline the pleasure ban may not be lifted as has been expected September 1st. Those who are suspected of violating the rules will continue to have their numbers taken until the ban is lifted.

7-Ton Rock Haul May Set Record

What is believed to be the largest catch of rock fish by seine haulers in the upper Chesapeake Bay in recent years was landed one day last week when Capt. Madison Coleman and his crew off Kent Point caught a total of seven tons.

After a considerable number of the fish were liberated because of being over the legal limit of 15 pounds in weight, the catch was sold in city markets at 19½ cents per pound, netting the crew $2,730 for their day's work.

The upper bay off Rock Hall and Love Point has been alive with fish during the past several weeks where hook and line fisherman have been having the finest sport in recent years in landing fish weighing from three to 15 pounds each.

Dr. W. P. Roberts Attends Conference

Dr. W. P. Roberts, pastor of Christ Methodist Church, left Tuesday for Wilmington, Delaware, where he met a group of leaders in Christian Education of the Peninsula Conference to go to Laplume, Pa., to attend a Conference on Christian education.

The meeting will be held all this week and will consist of the Northeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church. Dr. Roberts was recently appointed an adult director of the conference.

Red Cross Needs Sewing Machines

Strong, Lock-stitch sewing machines are urgently needed by the workers in the Red Cross who sew each week at the Red Cross rooms. Garments being made, many of which, are of such heavy and tough material, require these strong lock stitch machines. Mrs. Charles Kingsley, who is in charge, says that they have plenty of the regular machines, but this particular type is the kind needed so much. If any one in the community is willing to lend or give such a machine, please contact Mrs. Charles Kingsley, Telephone, 813-F22

E.S. Adkins Celebrates 50th Anniversary

Mention must be made of the beautiful booklets sent out this week by the E. S. Adkins Lumber Co. in celebration of their 50th anniversary. The cover is done in a heavy faun shade, featuring a map of the Chesapeake Bay while its contents contain photographs of exteriors and interiors of many of the large homes on the Shore. Interesting border prints of sepia add charm to the pages which tell of historical developments as well as poems by the Bentztown Bard.

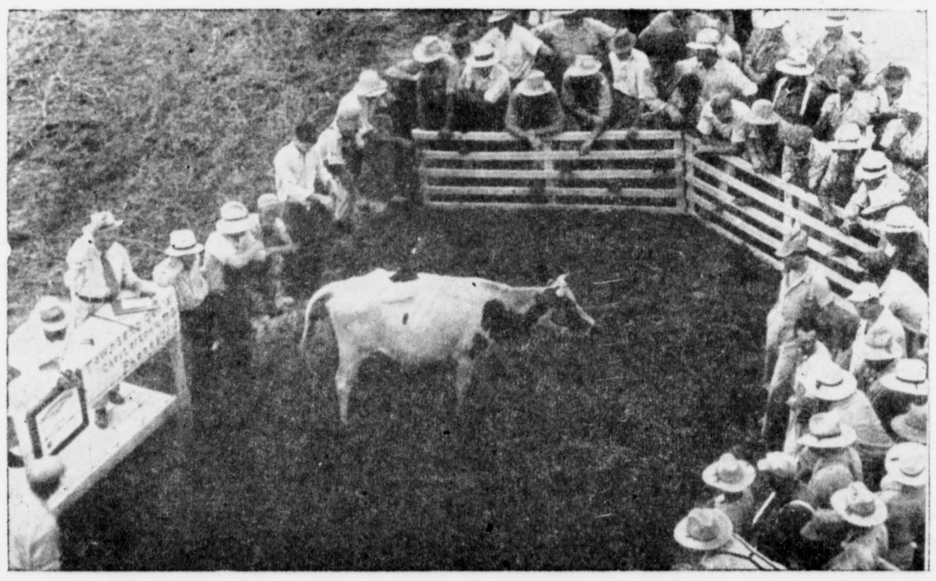
In all, it is a very pleasing advertisement.

Massey Cannery Closes Due To Help

The Massey Cannery was forced to close last week due to a shortage of labor and the rest of corn crop in that section is being transferred to Armstrong and Clayton, Delaware.

Charles Gross, foreman at the plant was painfully injured last week and is suffering a compound fracture above the ankle.

Farm Sale Brings Record Prices



Above photo shows a cow being auctioned off at the Public Sale held on the Edgar Walls farm near Millington last Monday... The sale was very well attended and very high prices were paid for livestock and implements. Some of the used machinery brought prices which in ordinary times would have purchased new machines. This is due to shortage of machinery as very little has been manufac ured during the war.

Barber Shop Quartettes To Again Feature "Community Singing"



Julian Coleman, Phillip Sewell, Thomas Davis and Charles Kirby, one of the Barber Shop Quartettes which was so popular at the "Community Singing" several weeks ago and will again appear in the Park on September 7th.

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