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FIRE DESTROYS LARGE BARN AND EQUIPMENT

Fire of an unknown origin, destroyed the large new cow barn on the farm of Mr. Hodge Coleman near Kennedyville Monday morning.

Fire Companies from Millington, Betterton and Chestertown responded to the call and with five pieces of apparatus succeeded in saving two silos at the middle of the barn and other outbuildings. The equipment included a pumper and tank wagon from each of the companies of Millington and Betterton and a pumper from Chestertown. The firemen kept a continuous stream of water on the fire by filling the tank wagons at a nearby stream with one of the pumpers and using the other two pumpers at the fire to handle the water from the tank wagons.

The loss to the building and contents is estimated at between twelve and fourteen thousand dollars. The barn, built in 1941 was of modern construction with large capacity for feed storage as well as for handling and milking a large herd of cows.

Included in the loss was an estimated 165 tons of hay, 100 of which was insured, 10 tons of baled straw, a quantity of cow feed, cow staunchions and milking equipment. A large milk cooler was salvaged and only partly damaged.

When seen from a nearby field the second floor of the barn, where the hay was stored, was in flames which prevented further salvage. No cause of the fire could be determined.

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Will Attend Firemen's Meeting

Chief Herman Blackway, Ernest Leverage, and Ollie Herzberg of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company and Clarence Melvin President of the Millington Fire Company are planning to attend the Executive Board meeting of the Executive Committee of the Del-Mar-Va Firemen's Association to be held at Harrington, Delaware, today, Friday.

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Firemen To Meet At Betterton

The Kent and Queen Anne's Firemen's Association, of which Mr. Allie Myers of the Betterton Company is president met at the Betterton fire house last night, Thursday. This is the first meeting since last Spring due to the curtailment of travel during the present emergency.

These meetings, formerly a combination social and business affair is now strictly business without the refreshments. Mr. B. A. Lane, of Queenstown, vice-president for the past year was installed president for the coming year.

This Association has done a great deal in creating friendly relations and cooperation among the various fire companies of the two counties, thereby affording more adequate fire protection for both rural and urban residents.

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Xmas Seals For Service Men On Sale

Mrs. Nora C. Maxwell, President of the Kent County Tuberculosis Association, states that Christmas Seals on Army and Navy Mail can be secured at the County Health Department, Chestertown, Md., although the regular sale of Christmas Seals does not start until about Thanksgiving.

These Christmas Seals are made available so that they may be put on Christmas parcels and cards to personnel overseas. Such mail must be in the postoffice between September 15 and October 15. If to navy personnel overseas, before November 1 is enough time.

Letters addressed to prisoners of war and detained or interned civilians are exempt from all postal charges but may carry Christmas Seals. Such letters are acceptable even though the regular mail services to the country may be suspended.

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Crippled Children's Clinic Here Oct. 5th

Dr. Harry L. Rodgers, Orthopedic surgeon, of Baltimore, Md., will conduct an all-day clinic for crippled children at the Kent County Health Department, Chestertown, Md., on Thursday, October 5th.

This semi-annual clinic is conducted under the auspice of the Maryland State League for Crippled Children and the State Department of Health.

Appointments for crippled children should be made through the children's family physician, school superintendent or by the District Health Nurse.

With The U. S. Forces

Kennard J. Burke

This letter was received by Mrs. Joseph E. Walters from her son, Kennard, as he will soon complete his Aviation Course at Jackson, Fla.

Dear Mom and Dad:

Well my loved ones today is my day off and I thought this is a good time to take my time and write you a good letter for a change.

I hardly know where to start because so much has happened to me in the last couple days that it is hard to find a place to begin but I will do my best.

I came here last Saturday and it wasn't until the following Wednesday that I finally got in the barracks where I am now and then I had to unpack my sea bag and stow it in my locker.

The next day we were put to work cleaning up a new hanger and finishig some of the painting so we could use for our flight training and the day after that we made our first hop in the new squadron and I really enjoyed it too, you know of course that all my life I have wanted to fly and that was my first chance and I was so excited that I didn't have time to get air sick and when I stop to think that I am flying with the United States Navy it makes me feel like I am a King of some Empire and I sure have battled my way to this point because you remember at Navy Pier we had over 300 boys started and now we are only a hand full of 36 left.

Since I have been flying I have had very few classes and all the rest of my time has been on my plane and in the air, and honey I am really enjoying it and having a wonderful time, I don't even get time for liberty any more.

I almost forget to tell you how I got in this squadron and it was all luck I assure you. The first day we started in the squadron we had to take a shooting test and I was third highest man and I mean I really cut that target to a peep. When we all finished shooting the instructor picked the top ten men and he said we were too good to stay in protrol duty and that was the P B Y ships I wrote of any ship we wanted and that is a of any shop we wanted and that is a honor and we all took the new squadron that we are in now and that is the T B F ships and only the best get these so that was my lucky day and now I am flying with the Navy and I love it too.

The other day when I was flying there were lots of large white fluffy clouds and we just flew all around them and in and out of the big ones and it looks like a big field of goose down and soft enough to sleep in for a year without waking up and we just race through them and tear them all up and it is really a lot of fun too.

Well my love I have to close now, but I will try to write every day, but I am kept so busy that I can't promise you every day.

Bye for now,
Love to all,
Your Son,
Kennard

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Minute Men To Hold Dance

The Lynch Minute Men, Company No. 502 will hold a dance in the Chestertown Armory on Friday, October 8th. The dance will be the Corporal Nickerson dance and music will be furnished by "The Blue Hen Ramblers" and "The Blue Bonnett Girls."

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Phillips Plant Gets 'E'

The War Department announced Monday that the Army-Navy "E" product award has been given to 16 additional industrial plants. Among them was the Phillips Packing Company, Inc., Cambridge (Md.) plant.

Lieut. Emory M. Hines, Jr.

Aviation Cadet Emory M. Hines, Jr. son of Mrs. Emory M. Hines, Sr., of 225 Longfellow Ave., Hermosa Beach California, was graduated from the Bombardier School, Deming Army Air Field, Deming, N. M. on Sept. 11 1943 and was presented with the coveted silver wings, symbolic of the aeronautical rating of a bombardier and commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Army of the United States.

Sgt. Orville Wright, U. S. M. C., stationed at Quantico, Va., and Mrs. Wright were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright.

Pfc. Alan Joiner, stationed at Norfolk, Va., with the Marine Corps was a guest of his parents, near Worton, on a 72 hour leave.

John Benjamin, U. S. N. now stationed in New York City was the week-end guest of his parents.

Captain Harry B. Cannon, U. S. M. stationed at New River, N. C. was a guest in Chestertown this week.

Pvt. Harry W. Lewis, stationed at Camp Forrest, Tenn., will return to duty to-day after a 12 days furlough with his wife and parents.

Gustavus Starrt, Cox U. S. N. R., stationed at Portsmouth, Va., was a week-end visitor with his mother and brother at The Cliffs.

Lieut. Norton Bonnett, a member of the Provisional O. M. Car Co., stationed at Shreveport, La., has been promoted to Commanding Officer.

Raymond Sutton, U. S. Navy, stationed at Bainbridge, Md., was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sutton.

Ensign Marie Whitney, U. S. N. was a guest of friends in Chestertown this week. Ensign Whitney, a former member of the faculty of the Chestertown High School, is being transferred from New York to Miami, Fla.

T-Sgt. Wilson Cohee, of Annacostia Va., was a week-end visitor in Chestertown.

Second Lieutenant Charles E. Dole, son of Dr. Esther M. Dole of Washington College, who recently spent his furlough with his mother in Chestertown is now at the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, N. C.

On arrival he was made one of three Engineering officers in the Service Squadron, where he will supervise the checking of new planes, find out mistakes, and correct or improve them.

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Cub Program Is Set For 1943-44

Plans are being made under the direction of Cubmaster Spencer Smith to launch the 1943-44 Cubbing program with the reopening of the various Cub Dens after the first of October. Cubbing is the division of Boy Scout work which provides for the nine to twelve year age group of boys not able to enter Scout troops, meanwhile preparing boys to pass the requirements for entering Scout troops at twelve years of age with the tenderfoot rank.

The pressing need is for women who are interested in this age group of boys and who would be willing to serve as Den Mothers for a group of five or six boys, provide a meeting place in their homes and assist with the direction of a Cub den. Women who would be interested in cooperating with the Cub program are asked to contact C. Lee Gill, District Scout Commissioner, Spencer Smith, Cubmaster, or Mrs. F. G. Livingood of Den 1.

A training course will be organized if an interested group of Den Mothers can be secured.

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AIR-RAID ALERT SOUNDED ON THE ATLANTIC COAST

Kent Countians were aroused shortly after 2 A. M. yesterday, (Thursday) morning when a yellow or preparatory air-raid warning was flashed along the East Coast. The warning came as a result of suspicious, unidentified aircraft off the New Jersey Coast.

Civilian Defense officials and workers in Chestertown and the outlying districts responded on the yellow signal, as did the Chestertown Fire Company with the blowing of the fire siren.

The "yellow" signal was the only one sounded, as there was no "blue" or "red" and at 3:35 a. m. the electric plant whistle sounded the all-clear ending the suspected raid.

Col. I. Price Ewing, Civilian Defense Head for Kent County reported that everything was in readiness if an actual raid had become a reality.

Those who witnessed the raid stated that searchlights from anti-air craft batteries could be seen for many miles along the coast, seeking the suspicious planes.

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Kent Bond Sales Total $340,000

To date according to Mr. W. Robert Huey, publicity chairman of the Bond Drive, Kent Counties total is $340,000.00. Their quota for this drive was $200,000.00.

Included in the sales was Kents' share of The State Teachers Retirement Fund of $35,900 and Kents' share of bonds bought by the C & P Telephone Co., which amounted to $1,500.

Although the drive ends officially today, coupon bonds may be reported as late as Oct. 2nd and E, F and G bonds as late as Oct. 16th.

Mr. Charles E. Wheatley wishes to thank all the workers that bought bonds, for their cooperation.

Mr. A. B. Hancke, vice-president and general manager of the C & P Telephone Co., handled the publicity for the sale of the bonds for the Telephone Co.

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Lions To Paint Red Cross Rooms

At the regular meeting of the Chestertown Lions Club, Monday evening, the problem of painting the new quarters of the Kent County Red Cross Headquarters was discussed.

The Club decided they would do the painting themselves and they will mix up the paint and start the job this Friday evening.

The group that "Growls and Roars for More" will furnish their own ladders, brushes and buckets and get this much needed job done.

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Business Group To Abandon Xmas Activity

The Chestertown Business Men's Association at their regular meeting on Wednesday, voted to abandon the usual Community Christmas Activity. The action followed a survey by a Committe from the Association of the store of the town. Due to present war conditions the merchants felt it would be impossible to give it the cooperation they had in the past.

In the past years various activities have been carried out, including street lights, Christmas Carols over an amplifying system, and coupons with every purchase which were good for money prizes at the drawings held weekly in the Park.

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Duplicate Bridge Tournaments Resumed

Once again, the popular duplicate bridge tournaments are being resumed. Cards were played on Tuesday evening at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club with a good assemblage of guests.

Results of the evening are as follows:

North and South

Couple 1—Mrs. Perry Metcalfe and Mrs. Hugh Sease.

Couple 2—Mr. and Mrs. S. Scott Beck.

Couple 3—Mr. and Mrs. H. Gilpin Brown.

East and West

Couple 1—Mrs. Jerry Williams and Mrs. Richard H. Collins.

Couple 2—Mrs. Rudulph Tull and Mrs. Harry H. Deringer.

Couple 3—Mrs. Ernest Strong and Miss Helen Simpers.

The tournament will be held again next Tuesday evening.

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Mrs. R. M. Logan is one of the five delegates from the Eastern Shore to represent the Woman's Auxiliary at the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 2nd to 9th.

Minute Men Honor Corp. LeRoy Nickerson

Robert Spray, one of the Knights, puts his lance through the ring at the tournament last Sunday.

1,200 people attended the tournament and horse show on Corp. LeRoy Nickerson's day, last Sunday, September 26th at Hanson Hall Farms, Lynch Md., home of Mr. and Mrs. R. Wroth Stavely.

Donations at the gate and for a pig which was given away amounted to $532.00 and the affair is expected to clear $400.00.

Following the tournament the Minute Men paraded before Lt. Col. Wallace Williams, who made the Coronation speech. The charge to the Knights was delivered by Preston P. Heck, of Chestertown.

The Knights from Talbot and Caroline got their revenge by taking the tournament honors. A few weeks ago James Williams and Edward Fowler went down to "Old St. Joseph" and came away with the honors. They came up here for revenge and they got it.

Results for the horse show and tournament were as follows:

FIRST CLASS—Colt class, one year and younger. First, Miss Hanson, owner, R. Wroth Stavely; Second, Jolena, owner, Nancy Branham; Third, Flicka, owner Weldon Walbert.

SECOND CLASS—Colt Class, Two and Three years old. First, Lady Bell, owner, Bill Loller; Second, Bella Fox, owner, Jack Baxter; Third, General, MacArthur, owner Gloria Eck.

THIRD CLASS—Pony Saddle Class Open to all Ponies. First, Lady owned and ridden by Thomas Lusby; Second, Champ, owned and ridden by Louis Everett; Third, Sugar, owned and ridden by Clarence Marvel.

FOURTH CLASS—Pony Jumping Class for Small Ponies. First, Flossy, owned and ridden by Jackie Baxter; Second, Smoky Joe, owned and ridden by Bennie Williams; Third, Dynamite, ridden by Jack Kennard and owned by Clarence Taylor.

FIFTH CLASS—Pony Jumping Class for large Ponies. First, Silver, ridden by Howard Smith and owned by Betty Bonwill; Second, Victor owned and ridden by Donald Dulin; Third Blondie, owned and ridden by Bob Davidson.

SIXTH CLASS— Green Hunters. First, Lady Bell, owned and ridden by Bill Loller; Second, Nancy Lee, owned and ridden by Bob Perkins; Third, Helen, owned and ridden by William Parsons.

SEVENTH CLASS—Saddle Class. First, Lady Highland, owned and ridden by M. Hammond; Second, Frank, owned and ridden by R. Wroth Stavely; Third, Lady Bell, owned and ridden by Bill Loller.

EIGHTH CLASS— Pair Jumpers. First, Lady Bell, owned and ridden by Bill Loller and Ovartha, ridden by Romie Joiner, owned by Virginia Johnson; Second, Red Wing, ridden by Bennie Williams, owned by Clarence Taylor and Bobby Arlington, owned and ridden by Albert Williams; Third, Bob ridden by Louis Meekins and Frank ridden by Romie Joiner, R. Wroth Stavely owner of both.

NINTH CLASS—Knock Down and Out. First, Tony, owned by Arthur Brown; Second, Beatrice, ridden by Jim Williams, owned by Clarence Taylor; Third, Rebecca, owned and ridden by Bill Sharp.

TENTH CLASS— 3½ Foot Jump. First, Prince, owned and ridden by Ralph Plummer; Second, Grand Duke owned and ridden by Albert Baxter; Third, Rebecca Ann, owned and ridden by Bill Sharp.

ELEVENTH CLASS-Musical Chairs First, Cassus Heir, ridden by Lester Smith, owned by George Hudson; Second, Silver, ridden by Lou Smith owned by Betty Bonwill.

TWELFTH CLASS—Four Foot and over Jump. First, Tony, ridden and owned by Arthur Brown; Second, Lindburgh, owned and ridden by Jimmy Clark, Third, ridden by Bennie Williams, owned by Clarence Taylor.

THIRTEENTH CLASS— Small Pony Race. First, Flossie, owned and ridden by Jack Baxter; Second, Blondie, owned and ridden by Bob Davidson; Third, Smokie Joe, ridden by Bennie Williams.

FOURTEENTH CLASS-Large Pony Race. First, Victor, owned and ridden by D. Dulin; Second, Stardust, owned and ridden by Lester Smith; Third, Artie Kay, owned and ridden by Weldon Gosman.

FIFTEENTH CLASS—Half-Bred First, Bella Cassus, owned and ridden by George Williams; Second, Rebecca Ann, owned and ridden by Bill Sharp; Third, Crazy Dan, ridden by Doc Bonwill, owned by Clayton Hicks.

SIXTEENTH CLASS—Thorough-Bred. First, Prince of Wales, owned and ridden by Louis Meekins; Second, Corsair, owned and ridden by George Hudson. There was no third.

The tournament, which was held between the twelfth and thirteenth classes, resulted in the following winners:

AMATEUR CLASS

Bill Mulligan, first who crowned his grandmother. Donald Dulin, second and Hazel Callahan, third who crowned Thelma Messick.

PROFESSIONAL CLASS

Frank Messick, first who crowned his mother, Mrs. Messick. Frances Callahan, second, who crowned his cousin. Ed Callahan, third and W. Slaughter, fourth who crowned Mrs. T. Slaughter.

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G. Ellsworth Leary Gets Marine Post

Gov. Herbert R. O'Conor announced during the past week-end the appointment of G. Ellsworth Leary, well known Rock Hall business man, as a member of the State Board of Natural Resources, which comprises the water industries of the state. Mr. Leary's term will expire on June 1, 1948.

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Kent S. Price Bull Wins Championship

Kent S. Price of near Chestertown won the Junior and reserve Champion of the Guernsey breed at the Eastern Shore Bull Show held at Denton last Monday. His entry was Meadow Lodge Snow Man.

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St. Dennis Church To Hold Party

St. Dennis Church, Galena, is planning to hold a Card and Bingo party. It is to be held in November. Watch this paper for an advertisement at a later date.

MINUTE MEN LIONS CLUB DONATE BLOOD

Monday, October 11th is "Blood Donor Day" for Kent County. The Mobile Blood Unit will be at the Fire House in Chestertown on that day to take a pint of blood from volunteers of the County. The Chestertown Lions Club has volunteered a hundred per cent of its membership and the Rock Hall Minute Men will bring fifty of their company according to Mr. Emory Hogans, captain of that company.

To date the Red Cross office in Chestertown has 117 volunteers to-date and the State Unit wants 175.

That some wounded American soldier might live, will you if you are between the age of 18 and 60, call now, the Kent County.. Red.. Cross, phone No. 450 for an appointment to donate a pint of your blood.

Seven every fifteen minutes can be handled. Mrs. Lumpkin of the Kent County Health Departmet states it is painless and only takes a little of your time, as can be verified by any one that gave blood last year when the unit was at the college.

Hours the Unit will be here, are from 11 a. m. to 4.45 p. m.

It was good news when Italy surrendered, but the news will not be so good when the casualty lists are published. Possibly one of our men died because there was not enough blood plasma.

In the first World War, the mortality rate for wounds was around eighty per cent because of infection. Today with the sulfa drugs to prevent or halt infection, and blood plasma to stave off shock, more of our soldiers should be returning.

As more countries are invaded, as our troops press farther north into Italy the demand for blood plasma will become greater. The Red Cross has already asked for 1,000,000 units and will probably ask for more.

The Red Cross Blood Mobile Unit will be at the Fire House in Chestertown on October 11. Call the Red Cross office, Chestertown 450 for your appointment.

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Rotarians Organize Bowling League

The Chestertown Rotary Club, at the regular weekly meeting, Monday night organized a bowling league within the Club composed of four teams. The league will be under the management of the recreation committee of which Ed. Hepding is chairman.

The League will roll Monday nights at the King Pin Alleys.

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Minute Men To Retain Only Two Companies

Two Kent County Minute Men Companies will remain active following a general curtailment in Minute Men activities throughout the State.

According to information received this week, Kent County Company No. 502, the Lynch Company and No. 504, the Rock Hall Company will continue active operation, including drills, etc. These two companies include a personnel of approximately 200 men and have been very active during their year of organization. Under the temporary curtailment program the companies at Chestertown, Massey and Georgetown will be placed on a reserve or inactive status in which the organizations will be maintained but activity in the way of drills, etc., abandoned. As reserve units these three Kent County Companies will be subject to call into active rolls at any time. A total of eight companies in this batallion area under the command of Colonel Williams which involves five counties will be placed on the reserve list, according to the information received.

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Rock Hall Booster Week Starts Oct. 11

Rock Hall Fire Company will start the "Booster Week" this year on Oct. 11th. "Booster Week" was originated several years ago to take the place of the Annual Carnival to raise revenue for the firemen. Members of the Fire Company will canvass that section for donations. Last year about $750 was realized from the drive. This year they hope to exceed that amount by a large amount as the fire house needs a new heating system.

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Infant Son Dies At At Local Hospital

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Loller of Worton passed away at the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital Monday morning. Interment in Chester Cemetery Tuesday afternoon at 2 p. m. B. R. Fellows, funeral director.

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