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OCTOBER TERM OF CIRCUIT COURT ADJOURNS HERE

The October term of the Circuit Court for Kent County adjourned here shortly after noon Thursday having completed the docket for this term, which was one of the lighest in many years. Chief Judge Stephen R. Collins and Associate Judge W. R. Horney were sitting at the final session.

The Court reconvened here Tuesday at 10 a. m. after having been in recess since last Tuesday. The following cases were disposed of on the opening day. William Mason was found not guilty on a charge of larceny by a jury. Pete Harris was also found not guilty by a jury on a charge of assault with intent to kill. Godfrey Ricketts was found guilty of assault upon an officer and sentenced to serve six months in the Maryland House of Correction.

On Wednesday the Court heard the cases of Charles Matthews and George Lindsay, charged with the illegal sale of liquor. Lindsay was found not guilty while Matthews was found guilty and was fined $350 dollars and cost and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction, which sentence was suspended upon payment of the fine and he was paroled to Mr. Richard Schauber of Chestertown.

The last and final case was that of Leroy Harris who was charged with assault and battery on his wife. Harris was found quilty and had a sentence of six months in the House of Correction suspended by being paroled to Mr. Charles Miller of Kennedyville.

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Legionnaires To Hold Armistice Dance

The Frank M. Jarman American Legion Post will hold an Armistice Day Dance at the Chestertown Armory, Thursday, November 11th, it was announced today by Legion officials. A $25.00 War Bond will be given away to the holder of the ticket which bears the lucky number. Everyone purchasing a ticket to the dance, whether they attend or not will have a chance on the Bond. All proceeds of the dance will be invested in War Bonds. Music will be furnished by the Washington Collegians.

In other years the Legionnaires have always held their annual banquet on Armistice Day night, but due to food rationing and other difficulties it will not be held this year. Instead a Salt Water Oyster Feast will be held before the dance at the Legion Post Home on Queen Street beginning at 8 p. m. for all members.

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Elmer Thomas Receives Naval Award

The award for Meritorious Civilian Service, an award of merit for civilian employees engaged in construction contracts under the cognizance of the Bureau of Yards and Docks was presented to 54 out of 5,300 members of the Byrne Organization and its sub-contractors in ceremonies on Monday at the U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Whiting Field, Florida.

Among these honored men were Elmer C. Thomas of Chestertown who has been in the employ of the Byrne Organization since July 1942. Leaving his home town, Mr. Thomas went first to Solomon's Island, and in May 1943 was transferred to Florida. There, he expects to complete his work about November 1.

The award, a small silver lapel button is made to workers who have characterized their service by excellence over and beyond the normal required duties.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness and help by our neighbors and friends, also to the Galena, Millington and Betterton Fire Companies for their efforts in the disastorous fire at our farm.

HERBERT S. FORD and FAMILY
Galena, Md.

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Married At St. Paul's On Saturday



Ensign and Mrs. Joseph Wilbur Strong, U. S. N. R. are pictured at the reception held at the Country Club, following their wedding at Old St. Paul's Church.—See Social Wanderer, page 5 for details.

Parents Get Letter From Son In Prison Camp After 6 Months

DENTON—After being in transit six months, a letter from Private William H. Jopp(, Jr., a prisoner of war of the German government, arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Harry Jopp, Sr., in Denton Oct. 15.

Dated April 7, 1943, the letter stated that Private Jopp had been a prisoner two months.

This was the first letter received from the soldier since last January, although a telegram from Washington in July informed the parents he was reported by the International Red Cross as a prisoner of the German government. The latter message allayed the parents' fears to some extent, since they had received a message, March 6, that their son was reported missing since Feb. 18.

Private Jopp declared he was getting along fine, somewhere in Italy, and that the family, including his wife, Jane, should not worry. He did not send a return address but thought he would be able to write one letter a week. He said he was getting plenty to eat. He has a wife and one child.

Jopp's mother and sister were formerly employees of the Kent Defense Corp. here in Chestertown.

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College To Start Bible Study Class

Acting upon a request from women students at Washington College who have expressed a desire to learn more about the Bible during the school year, Dr. Esther M. Dole of the college faculty, who is also house mother for one of the college sororities, will establish a Sunday school in Reid Hall, the girls' dormitory, on Sunday morning, for a systematic study of religious subjects. All girls at the college will be invited to attend the school, which will close each Sunday morning in time to permit the students to attend worship services in the city churches.

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Norman Frisco Wins At Harrington

Norman Frisco took both heats of the 2:25 trot at Harrington last week. Norman Frisco is owned by Arthur Lusby of Kennedyville and was driven by William Cole of Lynch. Norman Frisco drew 5th position at the start but Mr. Cole had him out in front at the first turn.

One of the features of the races was the two year old pace, which ran the first heat in 2:11¼ and the second in 2:09½. It was won by Pick Up. Time Table was second and Tiger, third.

In the three year old trot, Dr. Gilfillan got a second and third with Delena May and Mr. Tarbutton of Golt, got a first and second with Scarab in the same race.

Philadelphia won both heats of the 2:22 pace. Aristocracy owned by Eugene Thornton of Worton placed second and fourth in this event.

Evangelist To Begin Bible Classes Here

Evangelist Dan Sherman Harris, formerly known in the Mid-West as the Boy Preacher, will begin a series of Bible lectures Sunday night, November 7, at 7.30 in the Chestertown Fire Hall. Arrangements have been completed for Evangelist Harris to lecture in the Fire Hall on Sunday nights and in the Daughters-of-America Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday nights. "The war has caused people to think much more seriously now than ever before," declares Evangelist Harris, who comes here from Baltimore having just concluded a series of Bible lectures there.

Evangelist Harris began preaching at only fifteen years of age. Before deciding to follow the ministry, he was actively engaged in the field of music, preparing for the concert stage. Harold E. Metcalf, minister and gospel singer, from Washington, D. C., will be in charge of the community singing. Supplying musical numbers, will be Curtis Quakenbush, minister-musician, and Gwendolyn Somers-Harris with her Vibraharp. Also in the evangelistic Company, and kept busy with her health program, is Miss Pauline Wendell, R. N., Bible Instructor from Boston, Mass. The lectures are for the public and there will be no admission Charges.

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Rheumatic Fever Now Reportable

At the regular meeting of the State Board of Health on September 23, 1943, rheumatic fever was added to the last of reportable diseases, according to an announcement just made by Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health. The importance of this disease and its crippling heart complications is shown by the fact that among children between the ages of five and fourteen years of age in Maryland, rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease caused more deaths than any other disease except tuberculosis. Its importance is further indicated by the fact that infantile paralysis, generally regarded as one of childhood's greatest menaces, in recent years caused less than one-tenth as many fatalities among children in this age group.

The cause of rheumatic fever has not been discovered, but it is known that this illness tends to run in certain families. In the United States in 1941 there were 497 deaths from rheumatic fever between the ages of five to twelve and 1,206 deaths in the same age group from tuberculosis. In Maryland for the same year there were thirteen deaths in the age group from five to fourteen from rheumatic fever and thirty deaths from tuberculosis in the same age group.

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Fight For United Nations

Five hundred Cuban youths are fighting in the armies of the United Nations, according to General Benitez Valdes, special Cuban delegate to Mexico. The president of the Mexican Congress reported 10,000 Mexicans are fighting in the U. S. Army.

FIRE DESTROYS FARM HOME AND ALL FURNISHINGS

Fire, Tuesday afternoon, destroyed the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Ford near Galena together with all household furniture clothing and personal effects.

The fire was said to have started from an oil burning stove which Mrs. Ford had lighted. A report of the fire stated that after lighting Mrs. Ford closed the room and went to another part of the house. Returning a short time later, she opened the door and found the entire room in flames. As she was alone in the house at the time she was unable to save any of the personal effects except an old clock. Mr. Ford was away attending a farm stock sale at Galena.

The Millington and Galena Fire Companies responded to the call at about 1.30 p. m. and did excellent work in protecting nearby farm buildings including a large hay barn full of hay. At 8.30 that night a call was made to the Betterton Fire Company for help with its tank wagon and with this assistance the fire was finally brought under control. The open ends of the large hay barn presented a problem as sparks and heat set fire to the hay on numerous occasions and it had to be kept damp with a very limited supply of water. This barn is new having replaced a barn which burned to the ground a few years ago.

The damage is estimated at $15,000.

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WITH U. S. FORCES

Captain Frances Alice Clements, daughter of Mrs. Merrick Clements has been promoted to the rank of Major in the Woman's Army Corps at Fort Des Moines. She is the fourth WAC officer to receive the gold leaves at Des Moines and is now Director of Training at the Camp.

Major Clements received her B. A. degree from Washington College and her M. A. degree from Columbia University in New York.

Apprentice Seaman Elmer C. Thomas, U. S. N. R., having completed a part of his training at Drew University is visiting his family here on a 6 day leave before reporting to Norfolk, Va., for further training.

Sergeant Judson Williams spent Sunday here as a guest of his mother, Mrs. Jerry Williams.

Private Robert Hill, U. S. M. C., is a guest of his parents, near Kennedyville. Private Hill is at Muhlenberg College where he is taking preliminary studies, prior to entering Officer's Training School.

Lt. Laurence S. Brice, U. S. M. C. is home on a ten day furlough. Lt. Brice is stationed at Quantico, Va.

Ensign Noble Reidy U. S. N. R. is a guest of his mother, Mrs. Maud Reidy, prior to reporting to Norfolk for further training.

Carl Mench, A. M. M., of Naval Air Station, Patuxent River was a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mench, last week-end.

Private Laurence V. Downey, of Camp Swift, Texas, is spending a short furlough with his mother Mrs. Levi Downey.

2nd Lieut. William Robert Logan, has been promoted to 1st Lieutenant.

Mrs. Ruth Lucht of near here recently received a letter from her son, Seaman Second Class Randolph Lucht, U. S. N., who was in the thick of the fighting in North Africa, in which he relates that fellow members of the amphibian force of the Navy are doing valiant service for which they are receiving awards for bravery under fire.

He reports that the weather is hot and dry where he is now, with no rain, and that he has been on several convoys to Italy.

Lieut. Evelyn Crew, of Betterton, who is with the American Nursing Corps in Australia writes her parents that she is very busy nursing wounded soldiers who are being brought to a base hospital there.

Lieutenant Crew went to Australia a year ago with the University of Maryland nursing unit.

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Alpha Omicron Pi Holds Open House

The Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority has issued invitations to an Open House on Sunday afternoon, October 31. The tea will be held in their new house on Washington Ave.

RATION BOOK NO. 4 BECOMES VALID ON MONDAY FOR SUGAR

EASTON DIOCESE HOLDS AUXILIARY MEETING HERE

The 50th annual convention of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Easton convened in Emmanuel P. E. Church Wednesday and Thursday of this week, under the direction of Mrs. Philemon K. Wright, the Auxiliary President.

The convention opened with the celebration of the Holy Communion at 10 A. M. by Bishop William McClelland of the Diocese of Easton assisted by the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Atwater, and the Rev. Wm. Wyllie, followed by an address from the Rev. Wilfred Files of Tenana, Alaska.

Rev. Dr. Avery Mason, associate secretary of the Forward in Service Commission, and the Rev. Irving Swift recently returned from Hankow, China were the prominent speakers. The latter spoke in place of Bishop Shirley N. Nichals of Japan, who was unable to be present due to illness.

Mrs. William Wyllie, wife of the rector of Old St. Paul's P. E. Church and Mrs. Wright, with others spoke on Missions.

Reports were made by officers of branches comprising the various parishes in the Diocese on Wednesday and the installation of officers for the ensuing year by Bishop McClelland on Thursday afternoon.

Luncheon was served on both days in the parish house by the ladies of the auxiliary in the Kent Co. parishes.

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President Gilbert W. Mead, of Washington College has been notified by Governor O'Conor that he has appointed Mr. Jesse C. Smith, of Greensboro to the College's Board of Visitors and Governors for a term of six years, succeeding Mr. Elias Nuttle of Denton, whose term recently expired.

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Canal Town Poll Turns Down U. S. Bridge Location

CHESAPEAKE CITY—By an overwhelming vote of 221 to 17, residents of this canal town Tuesday rejected the location selected for the new bridge over the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal by the U. S. engineers in favor of a location 750 feet west of the proposed site.

The engineers' proposal was that the bridge be erected at George Street a location near the high school building whereas the citizens, with whom the town commissioners sided favored the location west of the school.

The citizens' general argument was that the location which they favored would not affect valuable properties and thus contribute to a reduction of the tax basis.

The vote of 238 ballots was considered light for such an important town problem.

The proposed bridge is to take the place of the one destroyed over a year ago when it was struck by an ocean-going freighter and wrecked.

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Elkton Barber Jailed Following Shooting

ELKTON—"Jack" DuPont local barber, who is alleged to have shot Lewis Lloyd, 47 years old, twice at his home in Chesapeake City, Wednesday night, and then fled, was arrested near Mt. Pleasant, Del., yesterday, and brought to Elkton jail.

Lloyd's condition is reported serious at Union Hospital, Elkton, where he was brought shortly after being shot.

DuPont for several weeks past has been employed in Elkton.

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Dean Frederick G. Livingood presided at the first fall meeting of the Men's Club of Christ Methodist Church Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conlyn E. Noland. The club pledged a contribution of $150 towards the payment of the church indebtedness.

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Will Have Enough Cigarettes

Supplies of cigarettes will continue to be sufficient in volume and quality to meet the demands of U. S. civilians according to a recent report by the War Food Administration.

NEW BILL WOULD DELAY CALL OF PRE-WAR PAPAS

Legislation requiring that all available childless men be inducted ahead of pre-war fathers is headed toward a Senate-House conference with indications that it was not yet out of the controversy stage despite virtually unanimous House approval.

The measure swept through the House Tuesday while President Roosevelt was signing another bill boosting payments to dependents of servicemen. First fruits of the new law will not be reflected in Government checks for several months because of the bookkeeping entailed.

Benefits Retroactive

The War Department, which emphasized that dependents are not required to file new applications, said that when the changeover in the 3,000,000 family allowances accounts finally is completed the difference between the old and new rates will be paid retroactively as of October 20. Meanwhile, benefit checks will continue at the old rates.

The proposed new draft bill would not prohibit the deferment of non-fathers but would require that fathers of children born prior to September 12, 1942, not be called while non-fathers are "available for induction." A single man deferred because of occupation would not be "available for induction."

It is understood that at the time of going to press, the Kent County Draft Board had received no hold back orders due to the pending legislation and is necessarily going ahead with the present program.

Up to the present time eight pre-war fathers have been inducted from Kent County. Father's of children born after September 12, 1942, are recorded in the Draft Board records as single.

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Snow Hill Citizen Celebrates 100th Birthday

SNOW HILL—Mrs. Julia A. Purnell, Snow Hill's outstanding resident, whose fame as a needleworker is widespread in the East, will celebrate her 100th birthday anniversary Wednesday.

A birthday party, planned on a community-wide scale, was given in Whatcoat Methodist Church at Snow Hill, in her honor from 8 o'clock until 10 o'clock Wednesday evening, by officials and congregation of the church.

The 100th birthday party program was broadcast from 8.30 p. m. to 9 p. m. over Salisbury's radio station. The broadcast was sponsored by the mayor and council of Snow Hill.

Mrs. Purnell, who sustained a fall when she was 85 years old, fracturing her hip which has left her an invalid since, confined to a wheel chair, turned to needlecraft as a hobby after the accident. In the past 15 years she had produced more than 2000 handmade designs and pictures in needlecraft, several of which have won first prizes and awards in annual Hobby Shows held in Philadelphia Salisbury and other places.

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Bus Schedule Is Announced For APG

The Maryland Public Service Commission has granted a permit to William E. Anthony, near town, to operate a daily bus route from Chestertow to the Aberdeen Proving Grounds for the transportation of 75 or more men from this county who are members of the Aberdeen Proving Ground Fire Department. A bus will leave here at 5.30 a. m. daily, arriving at the Proving Grounds at 7.35 a. m. The bus will return here at 10 a. m. (See Adv. next week.)

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PURCHASES BARBER SHOP

Mr. Harry W. Fallowfield, Sr., has purchased the barber shop, formally owned by the late Ralph W. Barnett. Mr. Fallowfield was employed in the Barnett Shop for many years until a short time before Mr. Barnett's death.

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HUMANE SOCIETY TO MEET

A meeting of the Kent County Humane Society will be held on, Tuesday, November 2, at 3 p. m. At the home of Mrs. Harry Deringer on Queen Street.

Registration Today At Kent County Schools

War Book IV, which will be needed starting Monday, November 1, to buy rationed processed foods and sugar, is being issued in all of the white schools of Kent County on Thursday and Friday of this week between the hours of 2 p. m. and 6 p. m.

The following questions are those most often asked at the Maryland State OPA as to how to obtain and use the new Ration Book.

Q. Where should I go to get my copy of Book Four?

A. At any one of the white schools in Kent County.

Q. May one person get copies of War Ration Book Four for the entire family?

A. Yes. One individual may obtain Book Four for all members of the family who live at the same address.

Q. What should I take with me when I apply for Book Four?

A. Bring War Ration Book Three. When applicants go to the place of the copies of War Ration Book Three registration, they must take with them that have been issued to all members of the family for which they are making application. Book Three will serve as a speedy and convenient method of establishing identity. Remember to fill out the front cover completely and have it properly signed for each member of the family.

Q. If I am unable to leave my home on the date of registration because of illness, can I have a neighbor apply for my War Ration Book IV?

A. Yes, if the neighbor receives a written statement to the effect that you have appointed her your agent, and if she has your War Ration Book III.

Q. Due to circumstances beyond our control both my husband and I will be away from home on the registration days. How will we get our War Ration Book IV?

A. Apply on or after November 1, at your local War Price and Rationing Board.

Q. My maid lives with me and eats all of her meals at my house, may I apply for her book?

A. Yes. You wil lapply on a separate application. Separate applications must be made for persons not of a family group. Anyone related through blood, marriage or adoption, residing at the same residence, may apply on one application. A maid or guest, for example, living in the same house must apply on a separate application.

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'A' GASOLINE BOOKS WILL BE OUT NEXT WEEK

Although delayed ddue to lack of material, the Kent County Ration Board plans to mail the new "A" gasoline ration books next week which will be in sufficient time for the validity date of November 9th.

No "A" books will be issued unless an application, properly filled out and accompanied by back of old "A" book and tire inspection record. If this application is not complete it will be returned to the applicant which will mean a delay in receiving the new book.

While there is no deadline date for the filing of applications, those who wish to use this book on the validity date should get their applications in early.

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District Governor Visits Lions Club

District and zone officials of Lions International visited the Chestertown Lions Club at their regular meeting on Monday evening.

Among the guests were: J. Robert Frederick Wilmington, Del., governor of this district of Lions International; Arthur Brumbaugh, Greensboro, deputy district governor; Guy Harmon, Greensboro, zone chairman; George Phipps, cabinet Secretary and Treasurer; Linden Brittingham, Pres. of Queenstown Club and Mr. Duffy an official of the Greensboro Club.

After the regular meeting these officials met with the directors of the local club, while the rest of the members resumed their work of painting the Red Cross headquarters.

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