The Social Wanderer

DEAR ROAMER

Last Saturday afternoon, Comegy's Bight Farm was the scene of a large and lovely party when Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Watson entertained in honor of a number of house guests. Among those visiting Mr. and Mrs. Watson were Mrs. Harry Wilmer, Mr. and Mrs. George Watson all of Philadelphia, and Mr. Marcus Richards, of Lake Forest, Ill.

Other out-of-town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Watson, of Wilmington, Del., who were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Ingersoll for the week-end.

Another party for the younger set was given Saturday also, which was in the nature of a progressive dinner. The first course was held at the Truslow home, when Misses Peggy and Nellie Truslow were hostesses. For the main course, the twenty-five young people proceeded to the home of Miss Mackey Metcalfe where she Miss Peggy Metcalfe and Miss Anne Wilmer were hostesses, with the dessert at the home of Mrs. Thomas Massey where her son, David Massey and Charles Weaver were hosts. An informal dance at the Club with an intermission party at Miss Rose Mary Wright's concluded the evening's frolic.

Many were the picnics of tradition held on Tuesday, the 4th, but all, so far as I know, were small gatherings here and there. One, perhaps of mention, that was larger than the others, was the supper and sailing party given by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wood, III, at their home "Indiantown," in Queen Anne's. A number of residents from the Quaker Neck vicinity attended.

Camp Wright opened on Thursday, which always attracts many little girls from this vicinity. Acting as counselors this year, are: Jane Brooks, Mackey Metcalfe and Betty Truslow, while the following have gone as regular campers for the three week period. They are: Babs Bartlett, Elizabeth Collins from Beckley, W. Va., Sally Moyer, Bobby Townshend and Page Wilmer. Henrietta Townshend who was supposed to have gone with them, is recuperating from an operation for appendicitus at the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital, and hopes to join the others later.

Guests over the week-end of Mrs. S. Scott Beck were her nephew, Serg. Louis E. Skinner ,stationed at Camp Dietrich, Md., and his recent bride, Mrs. Skinner.

Miss Mary Wilson, of Philadelphia, is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles L. Atwater, at the Rectory.

Mrs. Frank U. Roseberry, of Baltimore, was a guest over the week-end and 4th of July, of Mrs. J. Kennard Aldridge.

Miss Edith S. Rees, of Cincinatti, Ohio, is expected at her home, Walnut Grove, near Chestertown for the month of July.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman and family, of Baltimore, are guests of relatives in Chestertown and the county.

Lt. Edward A. Hurd, Jr., U. S. A. A. F. and Mrs. Hurd left here on Wednesday for Nashville, Tenn., where Lt. Hurd will be stationed for the present.

Mrs. Alton E. Dryden, Jr., left on Tuesday for Hyannis, Mass., where she is a guest of Lieut. and Mrs. I. P. Collier for ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin O. Blunt and daughter, Peggy, of Claymont, Del., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Walters for the week. Mrs. Walters spent part of last week as a guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Blunt at their home in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Hudgins, of Baltimore, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roland R. Corey at their home, Columbia Manor.

Dr. and Mrs. S. Holt Wright have returned from a fishing trip near Romney, West Virginia.

Mrs. Charles Schaeffer, of Westfield, N. J., is a guest for the month of July of her sister, Mrs. Simon W. Westcott at Scotch Folly.

Miss Cleda Heck and Mr. Lewis Heck, of Baltimore, were among the out-of-town visitors spending the holiday week-end here, as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Heck.

Now comes another week-end, perhaps not so gay as last—we might even have time on our hands, things on our minds and hope in our hearts.

Yours for a brighter future,

The Wanderer

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BUY MORE BONDS!

MARYLAND'S FARM FRONT FOR THIS WEEK

Price relationships are now more favorable to production of milk than to production of other livestock products, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture reports. The Bureau anticipates that during the next six months milk and butterfat-feed price ratios probably will be near the levels of a year ago.

Hog Production High

Maryland farmers in 1943 increased their hog production at a rate which helped run slaughter house receipts during the last eight months to 54,785,113 hogs, an increase of 30 percent over the corresponding period of 1942-43.

Out Of Balance

In a report prepared for the Agricultural Extension Service, Charles A. Burmeister, Chairman of the Meat Animal Goal Committee, War Food Administration, reveals: "During 1942 and 1943, livestock and poultry production increased at a faster rate than feed production, not withstanding that crop yields were above average, consequently the large feed reserves accumulated after 1934 and 1936 were mostly exhausted before the end of the winter of 1943-44. Livestock numbers are now seriously out of balance and considerable readjustments are necessary to get them into the relationship that is most desirable for the national agricultural program."

Wheat Price Decline Temporary

Recent decline in the price of wheat of the 1944 crop is seasonal and does not represent the effect of a surplus market situation according to Joseph H. Blandford, Chairman of the Maryland State Agricultural Adjustment Agency. "Farmers should not sell wheat from the present crop for prices lower than the government loan figure," Blendford stated. Government loans are available to Maryland farmers on wheat of the quality usually produced in Maryland at prices ranging from $1.40 to $1.47 per bushel dependent on grade of wheat and place of storage. As evidence of the short supply of wheat, Blendford stated that allocation of feed wheat to feed mixers and dealers has been reduced 40% for the month of July, 1944 over July, 1943.

More farm tractors will be manufactured in the United States this year than in any pre-war year, Dudley C. Aist, administrative assistant to the Maryland Agricultural Adjustment Agency (State farm machinery rationing agency), reported today. During the eleven months ending June 1, Maryland farmers purchased 1236 new tractors.

Other farm machines distributed in this State during the same period on a war-food-production basis were: Potato diggers, 49; side-delivery rakes, 388; hay loaders, 308; pick-up balers, 129; ensilage cutters, 113; stationary hay and straw balers, 3; combines, 212; mowers, 981; potato planters, 30; planters, 525; grain drills, 389; manure spreaders, 580; corn binders, 70; corn pickers, 101.

Farmers Breaking War-Food Records

New war-food-production records are being established this year by Maryland farmers.

The average number of dairy cows per farm (12.9 head) is the largest of record. The State's dairy cow population also exceeds all previous numbers.

Milk production per cow has increased six-tenths of one percent in recent months and the production on June 1, of this year, (18.6 pounds per animal) has been equalled or exceeded only four times in the last eighteen years.

The Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers' Association reports the May 12 milk production of its members the highest of record and their May daily volume 2400 gallons above last year.

Dairy production payments by the State AAA indicate a milk production increase of 9,400,000 pounds in April, of this year, over October, of last year.

Monthly egg production jumped 4,000,000 eggs.

Wheat, rye, oats and barley production tihs year will exceed the 1933-42 average.

More Farm Trucks

The United States Treasury Procurement Division in charge of distributing used and surplus military trucks will sell only to dealers who represent farmers certified by farm machinery rationing committees of the AAA. This rule is necessary to avoid duplication of sales to the same buyer.

Joseph H. Blandford, chairman of the Maryland Agricultural Adjustpurchase certificates for farm mament Agency, today urged holders of chinery to buy as soon as the machines are available or return the certificate to the County AAA Committee to be reissued to another farmer urgently in need of the machine.

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More food has doubtless been wasted by "don't like" than by any other words in the language. Notions of what is good and not good for us may mean the difference between good health and indifferent health.

NEWS ITEMS OF WEEKLY REPORT ON THE WEATHER

This was a warm, dry, and sunny week. The mean temperature was about 4 degrees and the sunshine was about 20 per cent above normal. There was no rain except one or two local inappreciable showers. The weather was very warm during June 28-30th and seasonably warm during July 1st-4th.

A rainfall of 2.05 inches occurred in 30 minutes at night of June 23rd at Unionville.

The week was favorable for plant growth and field work.

Threshing barley continues. The crop is good. A new strain of barley at Marriottsville yielded 70 bushels per acre.

Cutting wheat and rye continues, except not yet begun in Allegheny Mountain region, where these grains are ripening. Threshing began in many localities; yields are mostly good.

Oats are ripened in the southern counties; cutting began in some localities. Oats are ripening in the northern counties, except in the Allegheny Mountain region. They are waist high at Bel Air and are headed heavily at Unionville.

Pastures improved to fair or good on the Eastern Shore and continue mostly good in the central and western divisions.

Cutting grasses, clovers, and alfalfa for hay continues. The hay crop is good generallyq; it is fine at Joppa.

Early potato tubers are developin and sizing. A good crop is indicated at Bel Air and a fair to good crop at Hurlock. Planting late potatoes continues. Dakota Reds are being planted at Unionville.

Canning pea harvest ended in western Maryland, except it began in the Allegheny Mountain region. Picking garden peas continues in the northern counties.

Field corn plants are good color, are growing nicely, and are good to excellent. The early ones in the eastern and central divisions are tasseling. Late corn plants are 6 to 18 inches high at Joppa.

Early tomatoes are sizing and are ripening. Later tomato plants are blooming and are fruiting. The latest tomato plants are being cultivated. Sweet potato plants are vining. The tobacco plants are La Plata are excellent.

Early apples, early pears, and early peaches are ripening in the Eastern and central divisions. Mayflower peaches are ripe at Joppa. Sour cherries and raspberries are being picked in the northern counties.

Beans are an excellent crop, help is scarce, and there are not many Japanese beetles at Bel Air. Mexican beetles are bad at La Plata. A heavy Japanese infestation is beginning at Marriottsville. Beans, beets, carrots, cabbage, peas, and squash are being picked and cantaloupe and watermelon vines are blooming at Joppa.

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NEWS GATHERED IN AND AROUND LYNCH

Joyce Jewell, four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jewell, was badly burned last Saturday morning when her clothes caught fire at her home here. The quick action of her brother, Billy Crow, who ran in answer to her screams and tore her burning garments off her, undoubtedly saved her life. She is resting fairly comfortably at present, having been burned on her neck and under her left arm.

Mrs. Harry Lynch has been quite sick for the last few days. We wish her a rapid recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carmen, Miss Claudenia Carmen, and Master Wayne Carmen of Denton and Mr. and Mrs. Dill Lynch of Chestertown spent the Forth with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lynch.

Mrs. Helen Rasin, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Wilbur Hadaway.

Miss Mildred Ivens, of Baltimore, is visiting her father, Mr. Robert N. Rash, Sr.

Mrs. Effie Griffin, of Baltimore, is the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rasin.

Louis Kendall, who was recently inducted into the army, visited his family here on Tuesday. Corporal Marion Councell was also a guest of his family.

Mr. E. C. Barnum, of Newark, was a dinner guest of Mr. Wroth Stavely last Friday evening.

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DO YOU KNOW?

"No person shall turn a vehicle from a direct course upon a highway unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety and then giving an appropriate signal * * * * * in the event any other vehicle may be affected by such movement.

"PENALTIES: Fines may be up to Fifty ($50.00) Dollars." Sec. 173-a

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Camp Mil-Bur, a work camp for girls and women, located on the Magothy River in Anne Arundel County, opened on June 19 with 64 workers. Others were scheduled to enter camp a little later. The first work undertaken was picking beans. This camp operated 177 days last year, with an average of 60 workers for the season. They picked 80,000 pounds of beans, stripped 40,000 pounds of tobacco, and provided help in harvesting some other crops.

Chicks hatched by commercial hatcheries in Maryland during the first five months of 1944 numbered 22,078,000, compared with 19,363,000 during the same period in 1943, slightly more than 14 percent increase.

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