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With the Armed Forces

Pvt. Thomas R. Robinson, U. S. Army Signal Corps is spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Robinson.

War Department orders affecting Maryland personnel includes the promotion of Lt. Ethel S. Chance of Centreville to the rank of Captain in the U. S. Army Nurse Corps.

Nelson L. Watson has notified his parents in Rock Hall that he has been assigned to the crew of an LST at the Amphibious Training Base at Camp Bradford, Vt.

Captain Edward A. Peters, of Galena, Md., was among those listed as killed in the European area. He is survived by his wife, Mrs Mary N. Peters.

Lieut. Clara Coleman, of the Army Nurses Corps, stationed at Fort Myers, Del., was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Julian Coleman.

Mrs. Mary E. Robinson of Kennedyville has been notified by the War Department that her son, Pvt. George T. Robinson has been wounded in action in the European war zone.

Pfc. William J. Orr has notified his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Orr of Rock Hall, that he has been transferred from the Walnut Ridge Army Air Field to Keesler Field, Miss. He had been stationed in Arkansas since August, 1942.

Word has been received here that Lieut. Joseph H. Smith of Queen Anne's County, Army Air Forces in Normandy, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for pre-invasion air expeditions over beach installations in Normandy. Lieutenant Smith received his medal in a ceremony in which four colonels also received the medals. The men received the awards at a ceremony in an apple orchard at Ninth Air Force advance headquarters in Normandy.

Held in a German prison camp since his capture July 16, 1943, in Sicily, Pfc. John Raymond Lusby, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Raymond Lusby of Kent County, writes to his parents here that he is receiving mail and packages from home on a regular schedule.

He tells his parents that he is in excellent health and works daily on a farm. The American Red Cross comes in for Lusby's praise for the aid to prisoners. Each week he receives a package from the Red Cross. One of his first requests to his family was for pictures of the folks at home and in a recent letter he said that the pictures had been received and had brought him much happiness.

Private Lusby was first reported as "missing in action" but the War Department later notified relatives that he had been located in a prison camp. His first letter home, after being captured by the Germans, was written in August, 1943, but not received here until November of the same year.

Charleston, S. C.—Wounded bluejackets in the U. S. Naval Hospital at the Charleston Navy Yard, imbued with a keen sense of humor, often chuckle as they tell their combat stories, but there was one in the most recent contingent from overseas who guffawed at his experiences.

"I went through three invasions without a scratch, and then I fell down a hatch of my ship while tied up at a dock in Oran," said David McKay Stavely, 19, of Chestertown, Md., a motor machinist's mate, US NR. As he spoke he rested an injured foot on a pillow.

Assigned to a Navy troop transport, Stavely participated in the in-

David McKay Stavely, U.S.N.

vasions of North Africa, Sicily and Salerno. He was engineer of a landing barge.

Stavely sustained an injured kidney, a fractured spine and a fractured right foot when he fell 50 feet down the hold of his ship. He was on his way to the hold to do some work

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ALL EASTERN SHORE WATCHES THIRD OIL HUNT

The third attempt within 30 years to find oil on Maryland's Eastern Shore will be started in the next two weeks by the Ohio Oil Company, which announced today a test well would be sunk six miles east of Salisbury.

The two previous attempts to find oil in the area, both of them fruitless, were under local sponsorship and were not preceded by geological and geophysical studies made in recent months by experts employed by Ohio Oil.

The Ohio Company is one of four exploring possibilities in the erea. Since its activities were disclosed last October, Standard Oil, Sun Oil, Sinclair and Pure Oil have had land men seeking leases. Pure Oil now is conducting geophysical work in lower Delaware.

The test well will be sunk on the 100-acre Larry G. Hammond farm on the Mt. Hermon Road, near the Salisbury airport, Ohio Oil officials said.

The Eastern Shore development will be placed in the company's Ohio division, a statement by the concern said.

"Future developments on the Shore will depend entirely upon the results of this hole," the company continued. "Conditions of geological significance will be studied and the possibility that the hole may be dry would not necessarily cause us to abandon this arear."

It is the company's first venture on the Atlantic coast.

The cost was estimated by officials at approximately $200,000 for both exploration and test well drilling.

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May Apply For Additional Sugar

Officials of the Kent County Ration Board are receiving applications for additional sugar for home canning and preserving purposes the time limit for filing which will expire on July 31. The additional quantities of sugar will be available between Aug. 1 and Oct. 1., according to announcement made yesterday by the local board officials. The board also announced that those people who have had sugar for canning since March 1, may apply for additional quantities, while those making application for the first time may use spare stamp No. 37 for an amount not to exceed 20 pounds for each ration book.

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REPRESENTATIVE OF KENT AT P. T. A. MEETING

A Kent County woman was among the persons participating in the State Parent Teacher Conference at the University of Maryland Tuesday and Wednesday, July 18-19. Parents and teachers throughout the state were present.

Mrs. Edmund H. Skirven, Worton, Third Vice-President of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, presided at the afternoon session on Wednesday.

The conference was held under the auspices of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers with the cooperation of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and the University of Maryland. Sessions were conducted in the auditorium of the Administration Building.

Many of the members attending the P. T. A conference stayed over for the Institute on Professional Relations, which was held on Thursday in the Agriculture Building auditorium. This meeting was primarily for teachers, and all classes in the summer session for teachers were dismissed for the day in order that teacher-students might attend.

Highlight of the Institute was an address by Dr. Agnes Samuelson, former president of the National Education A9ssociation.

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County Agent J. D. McVean in charge of the Farm Labor Employment Service in this county, announced yesterday that 19 Baltimore city high school boys, with their supervisors and camp cooks have arrived at Tolchester Estates Camp. More are expected shortly.

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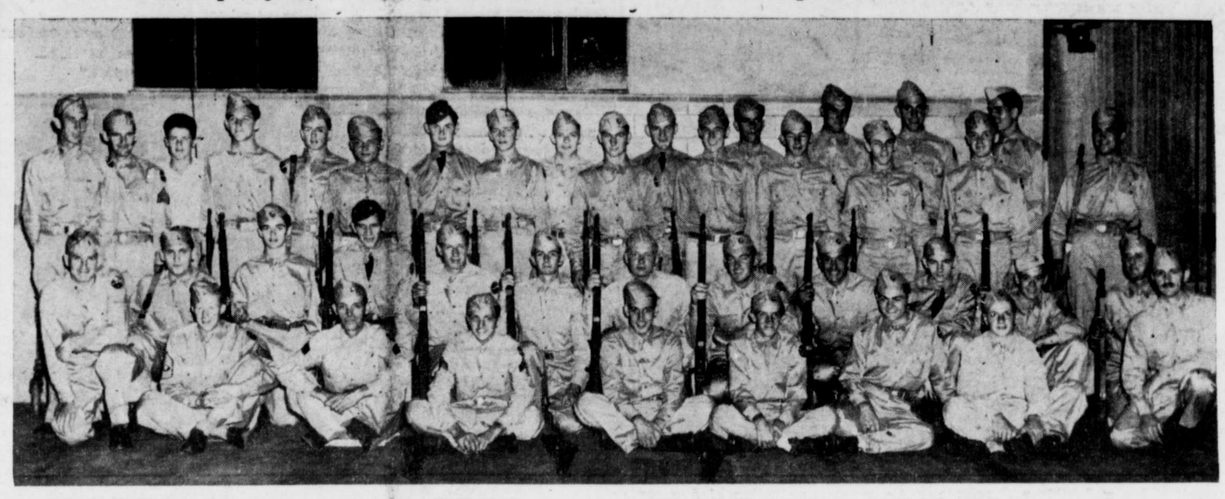
The first Delaware peaches of the season arrived in Chestertown markets this week and found ready sale at $1 per basket. They were of the early varieties and were of fair size.

Home grown cantaloupes of the season from Caroline County are arriving in local markets.

Company E, Maryland State Guard Now Encamped At Fort Meade



The group above, members of Co. E, Maryland State Guard, are now encamped at Fort George G. Meade where they are undergoing a 10-day training period in regular army tactics and drilling. Returning here next Tuesday, August 1st, they are under the command of Captain W. J. Stenger.

Front row, sitting, left to right: 1st. Sgt. R. C. Hopkins, Sgt. H. L. Baker, Sgt. C. R. Thrift, Pfc. W. P. Barnes, Pfc. J. R. White, Pfc. W. A. Biddle, Pfc. R. F. Burris, Lt. J. E. Kieffer.

2nd row: Lt. H. W. Carrington, Sgt. C. C. Beck, Pfc. J. O. Crouch, Pvt. P. W. Nicewarmer, Pvt. D. G. Crowding, Pvt. W. Joiner, Pfc. R. L. Campbell, Corp. E. Camp, Corp. R. A. Kopf, Pvt. C. B. Starr, Pfc. C. P. Coleman, Sgt. Paul C. Starkey.

3rd row: Capt. W. J. Stenger, Sgt. W. W. Elburn, Corp. A. R. Morris, Pfc. J. J. Hadaway, Corp. D. O. Lynch, Corp. H. M. Cooper, Pvt. C. W. Coss, Pvt. C. Joiner, Sgt. W. W. Hickman, Pfc. E. J. Ivens, Sgt. H. E. Fisher.

Fourth row: Pfc. W. W. Scott, Sgt. R. F. Burris, Pvt. R. R. Crowding, Pvt. R. F. Doran, Pvt. L. H. Kennedy, Pfc. D. D. Eveland, Pvt. J. J. Richter, Pvt. E. A. Usilton, Pvt. J. Patrick.

See pictures on Page 8 of other State Guard activities.

KENT SCHOOL CHILDREN MUST BE VACCINATED

"Preschool children who are going to school for the first time this September should be made ready for their new adventure as early in the summer as possible," according to Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health. "Parents who have not already done so are urged to take their youngsters to the family physician or to the nearest clinic now

"Vaccination against smallpox, it is generally known, is required by law in this State. All public schools in Maryland require evidence of successful vaccination before admitting a child, and the majority of private and parochial schools have similar rules. The State law charges parents and physicians with the duty of seeing that children are vaccinated dur ing the first year of life and the matter is left in their hands until school age. At that time vaccination becomes absolutely necessary, because the school law prohibits the enrollment of those not protected against smallpox. Any child who has not been vaccinated against smallpox should have it done immediately to allow the scar time to heal well before the school bells ring.

"Although not a legal requirement, immunization against diphtheria is strongly recommended," Dr. Riley advises parents. "Toxoid is a good safeguard against this disease which causes serious illness and deaths among children. Those who have never received toxoid should certainly be given the protection it affords. Children who were immunized as babies should be given a supplementary dose to strengthen immunity before they go to school.

"A general physical check-up is also advised. Such an examination will indicate whether or not the child is up to par physically and is able to carry the additional burdens imposed by school life. If the check-up reveals any remediable defect or handicap, correction or treatment is in order. It is not fair to a child to let him enter school with handicaps that can be avoided"

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Great Oaks Team Beats Rock Hall

Playing the seventh game in the Tolchester Soft-ball League last Sunday the scoring was identical for the winning and losing teams. The league leading Great Oaks Club defeated Rock Hall 8 to 4 while Chestertown beat a much improved Crumpton team 8 to 4.

This Sunday Great Oaks will play Crumpton followed by Rock Hall and Chestertown.

The league standings:

	W	L
Great Oaks	6	1
Chestertown	4	3
Rock Hall	4	3
Crumpton	0	7

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Scout Troops To Return From Camp

Kent County Boy Scout troop members who have been at Camp Rodney, near North East, will return home on Sunday. Lewin Wheat, leader of Chestertown Troop No. 170 and Frederick G. Livingood, Jr., crafts manager at Washington College, are among the camp officials for the summer.

Lt. Carrington Receives First Year Ribbon

Lt. H. W. Carrington receives his first year ribbon from Capt. Stenger. The ribbon is yellow, black and red, depicting the colors of the State of Maryland and is awarded upon attendance at weekly drills at the local Armory.

Worton Church Plaque Honors 39 Service Men

A special service in Union Methodist Church in Worton, of which the Rev. C. R. Strausburg is pastor, Sunday night featured the dedication of a plaque containing the names of the 39 young men of the community who are in the armed forces. A number of these are in the thick of the fighting in the European War Zone.

The guest speaker was Senator Wilmer Fell Davis of Caroline County, who emphasized the great importance of the service which the young soldiers are rendering to their country. A male quarete from Christ Methodist Church gave a musical program.

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The Rev. Paul E. Reynolds, pastor of the First Methodist Church here, his wife and three children have been at Brandywine Summit Camp, near Wilmington. Senator Wilmer Fell Davis of Federalsburg was the guest speaker at the Sunday morning service in the absence of the pastor.

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Camp Tockwogh Is Open

Camp Tockwogh, situated near Betterton, opened on Thursday. Among those from Chestertown to enter were: "Doc" Dana, Hurtt Deringer and Tommy Eshman. The camp, under the auspices of the Y. M.C.A. will be in session for two weeks.

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MOVES TO NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Randolph V. Waddell moved Wednesday to their newly purchased home on Washington Ave.

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APG Goes Over Top In Bond Drive

Aberdeen—Let's doff our fedoras to a soldier—the Ordnance soldier! And even a Presidential salvo wouldn't be out of order at this time.

For the boys from APG have once again proven they are willing to dig deep into their jeans to give a helping hand to their buddies overseas. Already having proven their mettle in four previous drives, they once again took another War Loan Drive in stride and this week we are proud and, yes, grateful, to announce they've gone over the top.

Col. Barrett Inspects Kent Civilian Defense

Col. Barrett, State Director of Civilian Defense inspected the Civilian Defense set-up in Kent County on Tuesday of this week and reported everything in good condition. The telephones have been removed from the Court House to the jail.

W. Robert Huey, is director of Civilian Defense for Kent County and Robert E. Lee, Chief Air-Raid Warden. Chief Air Raid Wardens for the districts are as follows: 1st district, Hanson Horsey; 2nd district, Wm. C. Dempsey; 3rd district, Chas. H. Brice; 4th district, A. L. Sparks; 5th district G. Ellsworth Leary; 6th district, Phillip T. Jones; 7th district, Daniel W. Ingersoll.

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BILL NICHOLSON TAKES LEAD IN BALL LEAGUE

Bill Nicholson, of Kent County Chicago Cubs' greatest slugging outfielder since Hack Wilson, may become the first player in National League history to lead the circuit in home runs and runs-batted-in for two successive years.

The husky former Washington College football star hit four home runs and drove in seven runs to take over or share in the leadership in both departments, as the Cubs and the New York Giants divided a doubleheader Sunday at the Polo Grounds, N. Y., the Cubs winning the opener 7-4 and the Giants the nightcap, 12-10.

Nicholson's four homers in a twinbill tied a major league record and placed him in a tie with Mel Ott of the Giants for the league lead with 21 each. It also gave Nick six homers in four games, tying another National League mark, held by four players.

Big Bill's seven R. B. I.'s give him a total of 64, tops in the majors. He led the senior circuit last year with 29 home runs and 128 runs batted in. Only Rogers Hornsby of the St. Louis Cardinals in 1922 and '25, and Chuck Klein of the Philadelphia Phillies in 1931 and '33 ever led the loop in homers and runs-batted-in for two years, though neither led for successive years.

In addition, Nicholson made six hits and scored six runs to climb above the .300 mark for the first time this season.

Each club tied a loop record when both the Giants and the Cubs used seven pitchers in the wild and woolly second place. The total of 14 hurlers is a new major league record, displacing the old one of 12 set by the Cubs and Cincinnati in an 18-inning game during 1942.

Many Kent countians are expected to see Bill in action at Shibe Park, Philadelphia, Sunday, where the Cubs are scheduled to play a doubleheader against the Phils.

LABOR MUST BE CLEARED BY LOCAL WMC

Priority ratings have been established in all War Manpower Commission areas for Maryland and no employer may hire any male worker, any in-migrant (male or female) or any women who was previously employed in essential occupation, without clearance through the United States Employment Service, Lawrence B. Fenneman, State Director, War Manpower Commission, announced this week.

Under the new national priority referral plan, which went into effect on July 1st, local USES office managers recommend priority ratings for individual establishments and services, or for categories of establishments and services, to the director in each area. In making these recommendations, office managers are guided by: (1) The relatvie essentiality to the war effort of the establishment's products or services as indicated by the Production Urgency List of the War Production Board; (2) The actual need of the establishment for additional manpower; (3) The available supply of labor in the area.

Mr. Fenneman said that manpower priority may be refused to an establishment if there is evidence that the establishment requesting priority is not making reasonable efforts to solve its own manpower problems. He pointed out that employers, for whose firms priority ratings have been established, may request review of their rating and that upon recommendation the Area Director may revise the rating whenever necessary to meet conditions or circumstances.

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Escaped Nazi Prisoner Captured by Trooper

Denton—The alertness of a state trooper attached to the Bridgeville Station Tuesday, proved the downfall for a German prisoner of war who escaped Monday afternoon from Denton, Md.

The trooper, driving a squad car on Route 13 towards his station, saw a man standing in the road. As the car approached the man "thumbed" the trooper for a ride.

Recognizing the prisoner from his description, the trooper obligingly stopped his car and gave the man, Hans Flunkert, a former sergeant in the German army, a lift.

The trooper took his passenger to his station where he was turned over to the military authorities and returned to Camp Somerset, Westover, Md.

Flunkert was working for the Nuttle Lumber Company in Denton when he escaped.

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Tuberculosis Clinic August 7

The Maryland Tuberculosis Association has announced a clinic to be held here at the Health Center, Monday, August 7th in the afternoon. These clinics are free to anyone who wishes to attend.

Betterton Enjoying Busiest Season in History

Betterton hotels are having one of their busiest seasons in the history of Betterton... The beach daily has a good crowd of bathers. The casino with dances only on Saturday nights are having record crowds. But due to lack of supplies many of the concessions have been unable to open and some only part time. All are making post-war plans to have everything open and in full swing.

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