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FARMERS MAY SECURE HELP ON TOMATOES

Farmers who need help in harvesting their tomato crop may secure the services of boys located at Tolchester in the Victory Farm Volunteers Camp. The Extension Service "set-up" this Camp as a means of supplying labor in detasseling Hybrid corn being grown for use as seed corn. The boys have done a fine job on about 175 acres. The detasselling work does not require the full time services of all the boys. The boys are therefore available for other work such as tomato picking at the established rate of 8 cents per ⅝ basket. Farmers desiring the services of some of the boys are asked to contact County Agent McVean at Chestertown, phone 202 office or 369 residence or Camp Supervisors Sherwood or Loder at phone Chestertown 810-F-11. Farmers transport the boys to and from Camp and should give instruction as to the picking standards. The boys carry their lunch with them and get breakfasts and suppers at the camp. The boys can do a real job of food saving if given the opportunity. The Camp will continue to September 1 if there is demand for their services—and may serve until mid-September if sufficient boys are available after schools begin the Fall term.

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Horse, Calf Killed In Storm

During a severe electrical storm throughout the county the past week-end, lightning killed a valuable horse belonging to William G. Smyth of Chestertown, on his farm near Fairlee, and a heifer belonging to Elmer Gustafson, near Melitota.

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KENT-CECIL CATTLE SHOWS THIS FRIDAY

The Kent-Cecil Cattle Show of Holsteins, Guernseys and Jersey breeds will be held at Galena this Friday, August 4th, starting at 11 A. M. Due to labor conditions there will not be as many exhibitions as usual but some of the best herds of Kent and Cecil will be represented.

The winners of this show will be eligible to compete at the State round-up show at McDonogh School on August 12th.

Kent breeders exhibiting are:

Holstein Class: Olin S. Davis, Jr., Golt; Jas. D. Davis, Jr., Galena; Howard S. Leaverton and Howard S. Leaverton, Jr., Rock Hall; Walter R. Hadaway, III, Marie Hadaway, and Ida Mae Hadaway, Rock Hall; Stanley B. Sutton and Billy Sutton, Chestertown; Jimmy Thompson, Chestertown; Robert Townsend, Rock Hall.

Jersey Class: Wm. R. MacCubbin, Rock Hall.

Guernsey Class: Geo. R. Debnam, III, Rock Hall; Kent Price, Chestertown.

Richard N. Wills of McDonogh School will be judge.

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GREEN POINT FARM SOLD THIS WEEK

George R. Debnam wishes to announce the sale of Green Point on Lankford Bay to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Coslett of Drexel Hill, Philadelphia, Pa., for Mr. and Mrs. Dean W. Glaspell of Rock Hall. Green Point is one of the lovliest small properties that can be found anywhere in Kent County because of its beautiful location overlooking both forks of Lankford Bay and Cacaway Island. Several other beautiful features of the property are the landscaping which includes over 2500 evergreens, numerous fruit trees, lovely shade trees and attractive flower gardens. This property has the reputation of being one of the neatest and best kept properties in this locality.

The main dwelling is small but very compact and attractive, as well as the two guests cottages. The farm group is a model for anyone and might just as well be taken out of the World's Fair for its arrangement and completeness.

Mr. and Mrs. Coslett expect to operate the farm and spend part of their time here. Mr. Coslett is a prominent Philadelphia business man.

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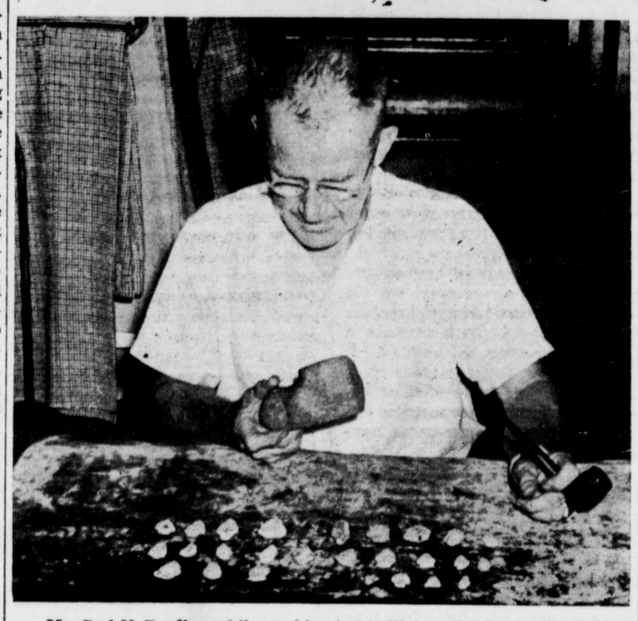
Farmer's Picnic August 18th

The Farm Bureau Picnic will be held this year on Friday, Aug. 18th at Tolchester. The program will be announced later but it is scheduled to include, a baby show, horse shoe pitching, baseball, rolling pin throwing and other contests. Watch this paper for details.

Finds Perfect Indian Axe



Mr. Carl N. Bordley while working in his Victory Garden on the Quaker Neck road, last week found a perfect specimen of an Indian Axe. The axe is perfectly smooth and shows great care in workmanship... The axe was found about a foot underground. Mr. Bordley was tracing a piece of wire grass to its roots in his prize winning garden when he found the axe. He has also found about thirty Indian darts since he has been cultivating the land.

Youth Caravan Was At Wesley Chapel

The Methodist Youth Caravan left Wesley Chapel Saturday morning for Salisbury after having spent a week teaching and working with the youth and adults of the church.

This was the first time this organization had been in Kent County and they left a most wholesome influence with the people they touched

Their youthful and enthusiastic approach together with their training and consecrated lives have done much to awaken an interest in the youth of our church.

After their last service Friday evening the congregation remained long to talk and sing, all seemed loathe to leave to go home.

The expression heard most was "The time has been to short."

They leave Wesley charge with the best wishes and prayers of both churches.

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INVITATION REGATTA TO BE HELD AUGUST 20

An invitation regatta will be held at the Chester River Yacht and Country Club on August 20th

The regatta will be put on by the Junior Committee of the Club composed of Nellie Truslow, Ann Wilmer, Peggy Truslow and William Cooper.

The plans call for a dance at the club on Saturday night, August 19, to be attended by both senior and junior members and the boat races to be held on Sunday.

Invitations will go out shortly and it is understood that the whole Corsica River Club is to attend. Due to the War only about 30 boats are expected to be entered, but the best races ever held here have been with a small number of boats.

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Wheatley Home To Be Sold At Private Sale

At the public sale of the home and garage of the late Mrs. Frances Wheatley, on Front Street, here, held on the court house green Tuesday morning by the son of the deceased, Joseph N. Wheatley, executor of the estate, and R. Hynson Rogers, attorney, the property was withdrawn on an unsufficient bid of $6,800 The house will be sold at private sale by the executor.

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Men To Make Surgical Dressings

A chance for men to aid in the War Effort in still another capacity will be offered in the making of surgical dressings. The Business Men's Club, Rotary Club and Lions Club will meet Monday night, 7:30 P. M. at the Red Cross Center, High and Queen Sts., to learn this important work. All men, whether they belong to these clubs or not are urged to be present. Under the direction of Mrs. Perry Metcalfe, the classes will begin. It is easy work, for recently, boards have been secured, in which the gauze may be simply folded over eliminating the tedious and exacting folding by hand formerly. The need is great, as you know, with the daily thousands of wounded. So Men, at home, come forth and do one more bit. Monday night—7:30 P. M.—Red Cross Center!

Home Run Wins Game For Town

Chestertown's Soft Ball team beat Rock Hall last Sunday at Tolchester by the close score of 11 to 10. Going into the last inning Rock Hall was leading until Roland LeCates, centerfielder stepped to the plate and smashed the ball for a home run with two men on base. Ned Hudson did the pitching for the local club.

A much improved Crumpton team bowed to the league leading Great Oaks club by the score of 14 to 10 in the second game.

This Sunday starting at 2 P. M. Chestertown will play Great Oaks followed by Rock Hall and Crumpton.

The league standings are:

	W	L
Great Oaks	7	1
Chestertown	5	3
Rock Hall	4	4
Crumpton	0	8

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NORMAN FRISCO TAKES HONORS AT HARRINGTON

Norman Frisco, owned by Arthur Lusby of Kennedyville and driven by William Cole of Lynch was the largest money winner and took top honors at the Kent and Sussex Fair held at Harrington, Del., last week. Racing on Wednesday he took first place in all three heats of the 2:25 trot. On Friday, in the 2:20 trot he placed second in each of three heats. The winning horse in this event Silver Peg, broke the track record.

Other horses from the local track that raced at the fair was Miss Keen, owned by Harry Nichols and driven by Sutton, and Princess Miss Watts owned by Robert Shallcross.

Wm. Cole also drove Symbol Grit, belonging to Mr. Spencer of Goldsboro in the races Tuesday. He won the first heat and after colliding with another driver finished fourth in the second heat.

A large number from this section attended the fair which was a great success, entertainment and exhibits coming nearly up to pre-war years.

Norman Frisco to Race at Freehold, N. J.

Norman Frisco races today, Friday at Freehold, N. J. According to his owner Mr Lusby, he will race in the 2.26 trot and will be driven by Mr. William Cole.

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10 Babies Born At Local Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilmer, Betterton, a girl, born July 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Cannon, Galena, a girl, born Aug. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Glenn, Rock Hall, a girl, born July 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis, Millington, a boy, born July 26.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCleary, Baltimore, a boy, born July 31.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dixon, Galena a boy, born August 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Inglesoll, a boy, born July 21.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Comegys, Crumpton, a boy, born Aug. 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor, Worton, a girl, born July 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beck, Rock Hall, a girl, born July 27.

COMMUNITY SING TO BE HELD AT VITA FOOD

Elaborate plans are being made for the Community Sing next week, Tuesday, Aug. 8 at the Vita Food Plant. Following last year's custom the affair is moved to the Vita Food Plant for one week to give the busy war workers there a chance to hear one of the concerts. Special numbers will be put on by the employees themselves. Last year it was one of the best programs of the season. Refreshments and a present of pickles from the local plant will be presented to all that attend.

Program will include 4 male quartettes, the Hynson chorus, 4 tap dancers, all this from the Vita Food plant. Added to this will be special features taken out by the Community Sing Committee.

Lions Sponsored Community Sing Last Tuesday

The Chestertown Lions Club sponsored the Community Sing in the Park last Tuesday evening. The Lions were there one hundred per cent. A special program for the occasion was featured. Preston P. Heck was song leader and master of ceremonies.

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FUNERAL HELD ON TUESDAY FOR J. W. JOHNS

Funeral services for James W. Johns, 57, son of the late James E. and Elizabeth Rand Johns, former member of the faculty of Washington College and business manager of the college since 1927, were held at his home on College Hill Tuesday afternoon. Burial was in Church Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Johns died suddenly at his home on Sunday afternoon after a heart attack. A graduate of Washington College, Mr. Johns served as an instructor in education and psychology at the college following his graduation. Later he served as principal of high schools in Rock Hall, Church Hill, and Denton.

He also was treasurer of the college board of visitors and governors and was prominent in the civic and educational life of the Chestertown community for many years. He took an active part in athletics, and was secretary of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club for a number of years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anne K. Johns; a son, James W. Johns, Jr., of Seattle, Wash., and a daughter, Mrs. Kenneth L. Donnelly, of Chestertown, Md.

Funeral services were held from his home on Washington Avenue, Tuesday, at 2 P. M. with the Rev. Walter L. Eastburn, of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church in Church Hill, officiating.

The pall-bearers were Earl Cooper, Ernest Strong, Skirven Startt, Frederick Dumschott, W. J. Stenger, and Lieut. Frank Goodwin.

Honorary pall-bearers were members of the faculty and board of Visitors and Governors.

Marvin V. Williams was in charge of funeral arrangements.

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COON HUNTERS HELD ANNUAL PICNIC SUNDAY

The Eastern Shore Coon Hunters Association held their annual picnic last Sunday at Sheehan's Wharf, near Crumpton. Over 300 attended and besides lunches brought consumed sixteen cases of beer, 16 cases of soft drinks, 21 dozen crabs, 15 gallon of ice cream and 25 pounds of cake.

Besides swimming, they held several games and contests. Besides the eating the feature of the day was the scramble for chicken, guineas and tame rabbits. 19 were turned loose and were caught by the following:

Anna S. Walls, W. S. Brinsfield, Harry Capheart, Bobby Poore, Lillian Gorman, Doris Clough, Joe McGinis, Billy Crow, Jr., Jimmy Hicks, William Wiltbank, Mary Ann Poore, O. N. Andrews, Betty Walls, Ruth Davis, Charles Clough, Nile Andrews, Betty Taylor and Eugene Lusby.

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New Postoffice Hours

Postmaster James J. Hadaway has been notified by the Post Office Department that effective August 15 the lobby of the Chestertown Post Office will be closed to the public at 9 P. M. each evening instead of at the present closing hour of 10 P. M.

Lt. Harte Explains Combat Mission To Crew

With his hands, First Lieut. Allan S. Harte, Jr., 21, center, of Chestertown, explains a recent combat maneuver to his crew. Lieut. Harte, who recently was awarded the first Oak Leaf cluster to the Air Medal for meritorious achievement in combat, is a squadron fight leader in an Eighth AAF Fighter Command P51 Mustang Group in England. Prior to enterting the service, he was in partnership with his father, A. S. Harte, in the operation of a bowling and billiard installation at Chestertown. With him here are Staff Sergeant Richard Conklin, Jr., right, of Highland Falls, N. Y., his crew chief, and Corporal C. E. Powell, left, of Portsmouth, N. H., assistant crew chief. Lieut. Harte is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Harte, 107 South Front Street.

Word was recevied here this week that Sgt. Bayard Coulter had been wounded in the shoulder, somewhere in France. Before joining Company K, Centreville, of the Maryland Guard, Sgt. Coulter was employed at the Cooper Hardware Store here.

Pvt. Thomas H. Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Robinson reported to Camp Meade on Wednesday after spending a 15-day furlough here. He is a member of the U. S. Army Signal Corps and received his training at Camp McClelland, Ala.

Hears Brother Was Killed

Word was received this week by the Rev. Harvey B. Flater, pastor of Calvary Methodist Church, at Easton that his brother, Sergt. Ira Kassen Flater, 36, of Westminster had been killed while serving with the 29th Division in France.

Rev. Flater is a former pastor of the Still Pond and Betterton Methodists Churches.

Tech. Sergt. Robert L. Davis of the U. S. Army Air Forces, his wife and infant daughter were recent guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Davis, at their home in Quaker Neck, near here. Sergeant Davis survived a crash o fa B-17 bomber crash last April and had been in a cast since the accident. His cast was removed last week.

Mrs. Thelma Ward received word Wednesday morning by telegram stating that her husband Lt. (j.g.) A. H. Ward, U.S.N. was missing. Lt. Ward was stationed somewhere in the Pacific. He has been located in that area a year.

Mrs. Ward resides with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Shults in the Truslow house, in nearby Queen Anne's.

Lt. Rollison H. Baxter

Lt. Rollison H. Baxter, U. S. Army returned to Fort Jackson, South Carolina on Wednesday after spending a 15 day furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rollison Baxter on Mill Street.

Lt. Baxter enlisted in the Army on November 21, 1942 and has served in the following camps, Fort Benning, Ga., where he was commissioned; Camp Croft, S. C. and Fort Jackson, S. C.

He is a graduate of the Chestertown High School and attended the University of Maryland, where he was prominent as a member of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

A letter dated July 7 somewhere in Italy from Private T. C. V. Hoffman states that he had the good luck to find several Chestertown buddies while visiting in Rome, which cheered him immensely. He reports that he was with A. Parks Rasin, Jr., a former Chestertown attorney, and Thomas Robinson of Kennedyville, until he was placed in another outfit.

Private Hoffman wrote, "I am writing from a foxhole and it isn't much fun trying to write all cramped up. When I get back home I don't ever want to hear about Italy. I'm tired of this place."

Corporal John W. Williams, negro, son of Louise Williams, 231 S. Queen St., Chestertown, Md., who is assigned to 3146th Quartermaster Service Company at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, La., has been awarded the good conduct medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency, and fidelity.

Corporal Williams, who is 21 years of age, attended Garnett High School and was inducted into the Service on July 28, 1942.

Exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service to the United States as commander of air centers in the South Pacific area has won the Legion of Merit for Captain Hugh S. Sease, U.S.N. (Ret.), of Chestertown, Md., the award having been made by Rear Admiral Frederick Carl Sherman, U.S.N., Commander, Fleet Air, West Coast, at a ceremony held recently at the Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.

Captain Sease served as Commander Air Center, Solomon Islands; Espirito Santo and Bougainville during the period of February, 1943, to March, 1944, when he returned to the United States.

The citation which accompanied the medal reads, in part:

"Captain Sease, by his efficient administration and outstanding leadership in these commands, contributed materially to the success attained by Allied air operations which were wholly dependent upon the facilities developed by him and administered under his jurisdiction.

"While serving as Commander Air Center, Solomon Islands, he was responsible for the coordination of all aircraft operating facilities on Guadalcanal, Tulagi and the Russell Islands.

"His untiring efforts were largely responsible for the timely completion and efficient operation of the Guadalcanal airfields which were essential to the defense of our forces and permitted the establishment of a base that insured future successful campaigns in the Solomon Islands area.

"The initial reduction of enemy air power in New Georgia, which resulted in the occupation of Munda, and the reduction of enemy air power, in Rabaul, New Britain area, followed by its collapse, are all a tribute to his ability to coordinate and utilize all of the facilities available to his command.

"His conduct throughout was in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

The following letter was sent to the Transcript by Chief Engineer, Richard H. Collins, Marine Operating Division of the Army Transport Corps.

Although I have been in the British Isles only a very short time, the particular section where I am located is just like I have always pictured it. The people are quiet spoken, rugged and the picture of health. This is particularly true of the children who are robust happy youngsters. The people as a whole are happy in spite of the many privations caused by the war. The privations are confined to the non-necessary things of life, as although the type of food we Americans have been used to is available, the quantity is considerably less. There is, however, an abundance of the necessary food and everyone appears to be well fed.

I have taken two bus rides out through the farm sections and could not help but compare the abundant green crops here with the dryer farm sections at home. The climate here is much colder and there is not much sunshine. The hay crops are the largest I have ever seen. The farmers rake it with drags and stack it in piles about 12 feet high and 10 feet in diameter all over the field. What they do with it then I will have to find out later. The farm houses and out-buildings are compact and are placed very close together. The farmer almost steps out out of his house into his barn. All of the buildings are constructed of stone, cinder block or similar material; they present a neat, clean appearance and the abundant crops are probably responsible for the strong healthy appearance of the people. The importance of these food crops to the country is evidenced by the following news item taken from a paper published in the British Isles. "Duncan Smith, farmer, was charged in the Sheriff's court with failing to plow certain acreage of his land, and after conducting his own defense he was admonished by the Sheriff. Pleading guilty, Smith said he had two farms of 210 acres and 470 acres and there were only himself, his wife and two men. He had a milking herd of 40 cattle. He had asked the Agricultural Committee for labor but had received no reply."

Probably the most noticeable thing here is the complete lack of automobiles. Aside from taxis, military cars and trucks and buses, there is practically no motor traffic over the wide well paved highways that connect the various cities and towns. I imagine this is a wartime condition and that in normal times the roads are crowded like ours.

TO CANVASS POST-WAR PLANS OF COUNTIANS

As announced in this paper some weeks ago, a county-wide committee of 50 county leaders is actively at work attacking the problem of job openings for returning service men and women. Every business firm in the county is being canvased. Cooperation in this work has been fine, but not 100%. A canvas by mail is also being made to determine the buying power of the people of Kent, as an indication of need for goods, services, equipment and so forth; as a guide to the number of workers needed to produce—sell—install and service the needs, wants and desires of the buying public.

The head of every family in Kent County is to receive a one page form, on whcih the recipient is requested to record the intentions of his family to purchase when available. The form requests the party answering to indicate the items they will buy the first year after the war. Then the things they expect to purchase during the succeeding years. This should reveal the items which will be most in demand immediately after the war.

Farm folk (landlord and tenants) receive an additional sheet on which to record their intentions to build-repair—buildings, silos, equipment of all sorts, use of soil conservation practices—conveniences such as electricity, bath rooms, septic tanks, quick freeze cabinets, and any other conveniences they hope to purchase in the later war period. The farmers are requested to list anything they intend to buy during the first year, second, third years, etc.; as a means of revealing the volume of first choice needs. The farmers, like the business firms of the county, also are requested to list their probable labor needs, both year around and seasonal, as further effort to reveal job openings and employment opportunities in Kent County.

The questionnaires are being distributed by County Agent J. D. McVean who stresses the point that no signatures or identifications are requested or expected from the people who cooperate in filling out the forms. This precludes anyone who answers from having his or her name on "sucker lists" and from being pestered with solicitors seeking to sell items in which cooperators may be interested. Mr. McVean stresses the fact that there are no commercial or political connections in the work of this committee. It is purely an unselfish effort to help prepare the way for the normal return of our service men and women to jobs and the American way of living as rapidly as possible in the after war period. People who have the forms, and have not answered them are urgently urged to do so, for the value of the report will be in direct proportion to the number of cooperating people.

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Approximately 95 per cent of the food needed by American troops in the South and Southwest Pacific is supplied by Australia and New Zealand, the Foreign Economic Administration reports.

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