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KENT LAGS IN WAR FUND DRIVE

LEGION HOME DRIVE PASSES HALF-WAY MARK

The American Legion Drive for the New Memorial Home has passed the half way mark. Anyone who has not subscribed is earnestly requested to do so by the Legion.

Many of the subscriptions have been accompanied by most enthusiastic letters. The following letter has been received this week:

Bear, Delaware
October 22, 1944

American Legion Memorial
Home Drive
Chestertown, Maryland
Gentlemen:

It is indeed a pleasure to contribute to the Legion Memorial Home Fund. I have 3 sons in the service, one in the Army Air Force in England. One in the Navy Air Force, an Ensign in Florida and the other in the Navy training for Radio Technician, stationed in Texas. Two of them have their names on your Honor Roll, the other one was drafted from Cecil County, but he was born and raised in Kent, as there is where I made my home until five years ago.

Very truly yours,
Norman E. Ford (signed)

The following subscriptions have been received this week:

John Wright	5.00
Roger Kennedy	10.00
E. T. Oathosen	5.00
John E. Hesner	5.00
Dela Urie	5.00
Gerald Myers	5.00
Edw. Wallace	1.00
D. C. Kelly	1.00
Mildred Melvin	5.00
Wm. Archibald	1.00
Harry Spencer	1.00
Jas. Nickerson	2.00
Thos. Conner	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Groves	2.00
Arthur Pinder	1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Harper Carter	5.00
C. D. Hicks	5.00
Harry Baker	2.00
Paul Sipala	5.00
Jas. Lecates	5.00
Harry Bolten	5.00
Phil. Kratzer	25.00
Alvin Stant	2.00
Wm. Bennett	25.00
Reginal Cooper	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Clark	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Malin Taylor	5.00
Chestertown Lion Club	25.00
W. Burgess Schrieber	5.00
Elwood Ward	5.00
A & P Tea Company	25.00
A Friend	10.00
Mrs. Wm. Bonwill	1.00
Wilmer Fell Davis	10.00
M. E. Stafford	10.00
Tire Shop	5.00
J. B. Witworth	10.00
Allen Urie	10.00
Eric Carter, Jr.,	5.00
Herbert A. Urie	5.00
J. Hursh	5.00
F. W. Smith, Jr.,	5.00
Gilbert Ashley	5.00
Wm. Anderson	5.00
Harry Rasin	1.00
Eastern Shore Gas Co.	25.00
Bessie M & Mary E. Nickerson	2.50
R. F. Tull	10.00
Margaret Massey	10.00
C. C. Schrieber	5.00
J. A. Urie	10.00
Jos. Galphiski	5.00
Henry Stephens	2.00
Fred Pool	5.00
G. H. Dana	10.00
Jas. Kirby	1.00
Simmons Jacquette	5.00
J. Clawson Jones	15.00
Henry Davis	1.00
Norman E. Ford	5.00
Mary S. Hodson	2.30
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Redgraves	5.00
Katherine Elliott	5.00
G. C. Woodall	10.00
Max Alexander	3.00
Eleanor Green	25.00
B. F. Hudson	5.00
Albert B. Groves	10.00
Lloyd N. Smith	2.00
John C. Myers	5.00
Chas. A. Rodney	5.00
M. Palmer Carroll	3.00
John D. Kelly	5.00
Arnold Bryden	5.00
Clarence Wilson, Jr.	10.00
Ollie Hersberg, Jr.	5.00
Adam Schauber	5.00
Franklin Moffett	10.00
W. A. McGregor	10.00
Margaret Ann Brown	5.00
Geo. W. Kennedy	5.00
Frank Acres	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hickman	5.00
Mary E. & Rollison McGinnis	2.00
Hynson Rogers	25.00
B. E. Wallace	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jas. T. Pine	10.00
G. E. Leary	15.00
Robt. Carroll	5.00

Women's Society To Hear Missionary

The Easton District Womens Society of Christian Service is making plans for the fall meeting which is to be an all-day session held at First Methodist Church, Denton, Wednesday, November 1st, beginning at ten o'clock. Mrs. Granville Hooper of Cambridge, District President, will preside, and every Society in the District is urged to send representatives to this important meeting. Mrs. Raymond Archer, returned missionary from Malaya Peninsula, will be the special speaker in the afternoon. Mrs. Archer had twenty-seven years experience in Asia and was involved in fifty-one Japanese bombings before being evacuated from Singapore. As a Gripsholm exchange prisoner her story is bound to be interesting, and as a missionary so recently returned her knowledge is first hand. During the noon recess, luncheon will be served by the ladies of the host church.

Arrives In England As Red Cross Aide

Charlotte Jane Curry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Curry, of New York City, has arrived in England to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross staff assistant. Until her Red Cross appointment, Miss Curry was a decorator for Baker Brothers, Los Angeles, and for Douglas Curry, New York City, and previously was with W. & J. Sloane, NewYork. She is a graduate of Chestertown, Md., High School and attended Edgewood Park Junior College, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y. She is a niece of Dr. and Mrs. Frank Hines with whom she made her home while attending school here.

Reese Corey, Polio Victim Improving

Reese Corey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Corey, and a cadet at the U. S. Naval Academy, was stricken last week with polio, but according to latest reports he is fast improving. Wednesday, young Corey was 18 years old, and from students and faculty of Washington College, alone, his fan mail was said to be of sizable proportion. He was a student at the college last year.

The Transcript extends greetings and best wishes for a speedy and complete recovery.

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Harvest Home Service Held At Betterton

The annual Harvest Home service of the Betterton Methodist Church was held on Sunday, October 22nd. The church was decorated with autumn leaves and flowers. Inside the chancel were one hundred five quarts of canned fruits and vegetables, potatoes, turnips, apples, etc. These were later packed and sent to the Strawbridge Home for Boys. The week preceding this service is spent in gathering of money to cover the church budget for the year. The amount of the budget, exclusive of the pastor's salary was $835.00. The announcement was made on Sunday evening that the budget had been met in full. This is the first time that it has been done. There was special music by the choir and the acting minister Rev. G. E. Leister, of the Centreville Methodist Church preached a most helpful sermon on, "Consider the lillies, how they Grow."

Although Betterton has been without a permanent pastor since conference, the people have been carrying on the work of the church with the help and inspiration of Rev. Mr. Leister, who has cheerfully taken on the added work of the service each Sunday evening since June.

At this service a gold star was placed on the service flag and flowers under the flag, were in memory of Private Frank Willis, Jr., who gave his life for his country in the field of battle in Italy, September 21st.

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Kent Youth Adults To Meet At Raum

The County Wide meeting of the Methodist Young Adults will be held in Raum Chapel on Monday, October 30 at 8:00 P. M.

Rev. C. R. Strausburg will be the speaker, and Rev. S. T. Hamblin will lead the devotional service. The discussion period, led by the president, Stanley B. Sutton, will be of special interest to parents and will center around a test for parents called "Home Makers".

The Church hall will be used for the period of recreation. This meeting at Raum Chapel promises to be one of the best so far.

St. James Church Featured in Magazine

The Pastor, a monthly magazine for ministers, carries in its October issue a report of the weekly cards that are sent out to members and friends of the St. James Church. Two of the cards are reproduced in the magazine along with a short article by the pastor, Rev. Melvin Kay.

The idea originated at St. James when a member of the church, Mr. R. J. Nicholson, presented a plan for sending out weekly cards. It was found that a print of the church, in color, made a fitting background for the weekly message.

Many favorable comments on the cards have been received from people in all walks of life, and the circulation is increasing each week.

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Benefit Recital For Girl Scouts

This past summer saw a larger number of girls applying at scout camps than ever before. In this area there is great need for a permanent camp to be used in a year round program.

Camp Winooski, at Bookers Beach, near Chruch Hill, Maryland is the only established camp in this area. The sponsoring committee has been renting this site for a number of years. Increasing membership in the Girl Scouts and interest in camping has brought a realization that if the camp program is to expand and succeed we must have a permanent site.

It is hoped that there will be large attendance at the benefit recital on Thursday, Nov. 2, in the Sudlersville High School Auditorium. Myrtle Day of Wesley M. E. Church, Dover will be the featured soloist.

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DR. MOYER TO ATTEND MEETING

Dr. Wm. H. Moyer, Chiropractor will close his office on Saturday and Sunday, October 28 and 29 so that he may attend the annual meeting of the Maryland Chiropractors' Association, being held in Baltimore. Dr. Moyer is a director and represents the Chiropractors of the Eastern Shore of Maryland.

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ACCEPTS POSITION WITH FBI

Miss Chloe Lynch, a sophomore at Washington College, and Miss Doris Crowding, a recent graduate of the Chestertown High School have accepted clerical positions with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington.

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YOUNG PEOPLES FELLOWSHIP TO HOLD DANCE

Young Peoples' Fellowship of Cecilton, Md., are sponsoring a dance in the school auditorium, Saturday night, October 28th from 9 until 12. Music will be furnished by Fallowfield's Orchestra.

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The American Legion will hold a dance in the Chestertown Armory Nov. 10 with Lew Startt's Orchestra.

DR. ESTHER DOLE REPORTS ON DAR MEETING

Dr. Esther M. Dole, Regent of the Old Kent Chapter attended recently the Board Meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Baltimore. She had an intertesting report for the Chapter at their meeting last Saturday at the residence of Mrs. Church in Millington. The emphasis of the State Conference was on War Service in which the National D. A. R. is having a grand part.

Dr. Dole made a comparison of the three United States wars since the incorporation of the National Society. The modest part in the Spanish-American War; the good work in the First World War; and the marvelous expansion of the services of the D. A. R. in the present war. It would seem that American women are becoming more patriotic.

The National Society is sponsoring Landing Barges. Each State has been assigned a landing barge, and our State has given to the care of Old Kent Chapter a member of the crew of the barge sponsored by the Maryland Society. His name is John M. Boring. Life is very unromantic and monotonous for these boys. They ferry the troops from ship to shore over and over and never land themselves. We intend to make life more pleasant for John, whose next birthday is January 14.

Another project for this winter is making Buddy Bags especially for the men in Walter Reed and other hospitals. A yard of strong material makes one bag with pocket—to standard required. It will be filled with useful and entertaining small articles, such as soap, razor blades, books, candy, puzzles, etc. Articles, material, or money may be sent to Mrs. George Baldwin.

The importance of Buddy Bags in the life of a soldier is shown by this letter from a local boy:

"Dear Mother,

"I'm somewhere in England now, I'm awfully sorry that I couldn't phone or see you those last couple of days. We were on a complete restriction the whole time. As you can see we didn't have any time after we left Tenn.

"Thank you for the fudge. It was delivered. I haven't as yet received any of the othe r stuff. I hope under the circumstance they will be sent over. If they come back tell me and I will request them.

"I had a darned nice boat ride. I had a lot of time to loaf and I saw a lot of water. We were able to buy candy at eighty cents the box and cigarettes at fifty cents a carton. We received little kits from the A. R. C. with soap, writing paper, cigarettes, candy, sewing kits, comb and cards. We played cards most of the time, hearts, fan-tan and witch.

"I am doing a little touching up on my French. I think I will be able to get along quite well. I received a V-mail from Bob. He expects to ship out soon. It would be nice if we could run into each other. Here's hoping it won't be long now. Please write soon.

Love,
Wil."

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With the Armed Forces

Lt. Harry C. Coleman, Jr., who is stationed at Little Creek, Va., spent a five day leave with his parents here during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Lee Robinson have received word from their son S-Sgt. R. Lee Robinson, Jr., that he is in a hospital overseas, where he has been in active duty for several months.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert W. Mead have received a telephone call from their son, Lt. Francis Mead, U.S.N.R., who has been overseas for the past several months with an Amphibious Unit. He arrived in this country within the last few days, but future orders have not been received.

Corporal Joseph Sutton stationed at Camp McClellan, Ala., is home on a 16-day furlough, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Sutton. Miss Maude Sutton, of Philadelphia and Raymond Sutton ,U. S. N., of Bainbridge, Md., joined their parents for the week-end.

An Eighth Air Force Liberator Station: England—James A. McGregor, 24, of Andelot Stock Farm, Worton, Md., B-24 Liberator pilot and operations officer, has been promoted from Captain to Major.

Member of the group commanded by Col. Lorin L. Johnson, of Payson, Utah, Major McGregor holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Air Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters. Overseas for more than a year, he has participated in 20 of his unit's eight score missions.

The Major's climb has been outstanding, even in as new and expanding a service as the Air Corps. Arring in this theatre with his current outfit as a pilot and second lieutenant, he soon became an element leader. As vacancies occurred the Luftwaffe was active in those days—the youthful flyer became his squadron's lead pilot, heading task forces on deeper and deeper penetration of Europe.

British Boy Adopted By Kent Countian

Alexander Little

Mrs. Thomas W. Eliason, Chestertown, has "adopted" Alexander Little, 3 year old British boy of England through the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Edna Blue, Plan executive chairman. American headquarters of the Plan are at 55 West 42nd Street, New York City.

At the present time the Plan is operating forty-four children's projects in England and Malta and is caring for Maltese, Czech, Polish, Dutch, Belgian, Austrian, British, Spanish, Norwegian, Danish and German children.

The child is in one of the projects that the organization operates. Foster Parents include Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Cornelia Otis Skinner, Kate Smith, Dr. John Haynes Holmes, Allan Jones, Tallulah Bankhead, Jack Benny, Fred Allen, Kay Kyser and Mark Van Doren.

The case history of the child who has been "adopted" follows:

Child's name, Alexander Little; age, three years; nationality, British; birthplace, London; birthday, Oct. 17 1941; pet name, "Alec"; child's number, 17434.

Alec is one of a family of three children, and is really and truly a war baby, and the sky to him is not just ordinary sky but something out of which something comes shrieking down at you, and you have to run quick or else, and even now, in safety this child still looks at the sky as something you should hide away from. This we hope to erase from his little mind in time.

Alec's family were very poor, the mother rather sickly, and the father in the Army, somewhere overseas. The mother was no longer able to care for her children and no one else seemed to want to. Then we were appealed to to take Alec, and we are glad that we were able to do so.

When Alec first came to us he was very undernourished and backward, and he is still rather backward with his talking and physically cannot keep up with the other children at play, this was getting him so discouraged that we have put him in a small group where he will get more individual attention. This seems to be working wonders because he is really a very affectionate child and loves to be made a bit of a fuss of. He is quite tall for his age, quite well built, and now that he has had the advantage of loving care, good food, fresh air, individual attention, and is getting over the bad dreams which kept him awake at night, and his dread of the open sky by day, is getting to be quite an attractive, smiling, happy child. He is too young to know what a Foster Parent really is, but he sees that the other children get letters and things from "friends in America" and when we took his photograph we told him it was going to his very own friend in America, and he wanted us to tell you just what he looks like. He has light brown hair and lovely blue eyes with an open candid look. He is well worth a helping hand, and we feel he will prove to be a source of great satisfaction to his Foster Parent.

The projects which the Plan operates in England and Malta include the following: The Hampsteed Nurseries directed by Miss Anna Freud and Mrs. Dorothy Tiffany Burlingham; the J. B. Priestley Nurseries, Herefordshire; the Sanctuary, Stoke Newington; the Farm Colony, Market Rasen, the Westfield Colony; the Grange, and the Malta Colony, Sliema, Malta.

On the receipt of an application by the Foster Parents' Plan, the Foster Parent receives as soon as possible, a photograph and a brief history of the child and pays $15 per month for the support of the child.

An International Committee composed of the Earl of Listowell, the Viscount Cecil of Chelwood, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Helen Hayes and Russell Maguire are sponsoring the work of the Foster Parent's Plan for War Children.

More than 20,000 children have been helped by the Foster Parent's Plan since it's inception eight years ago.

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Navy Gives Dinner For War Bond Sales

Mrs. Arthur Simpson, daughter of Chief of Police Samuel Cooper and the late Mrs. Cooper, who now holds a position in the accounting department of the U. S. Navy, sold a total of $25,000 of bonds through soliciting travelers in Union Station in that city during the recent campaign. So pleased were Navy officials with the results of her efforts, the Navy Department gave a dinner in her honor.

DANCE SCHEDULED FOR ELECTION NIGHT AT CHESTERTOWN ARMORY TO BOOST KENT COUNTY'S QUOTA

The Committee for the National War Fund Drive has scheduled a dance at the Chestertown Armory on election night, Nov. 7th to stimulate the lagging War Fund Drive. The dance will feature a professional floor show with the following acts.

Saundra Phillips, a young attractive singer who will act as mistress of ceremonies.

Charlene Paul, a beautiful blond girl, who has a lovely voice.

George Horn, a ventriloquist; he will localize and use the names of various people in the audience.

Lita, vivacious Spanish and castanet dancer. Music for the dance will be by Rivers Chambers and his orchestra of Baltimore.

Included in program will be a Jitterbug contest and an old time waltz contest. Prizes for these contests will be in War Bonds.

The drive is lagging and everyone is urged to get in their donation as soon as possible.

The following is a tabulation of contributions received from the various areas as of date with Betterton, Quaker Neck, Worton, Sassafras and Massey to be heard from:

Area A

Chestertown	$1,654.10
Lynch	77.50
Kennedyville	237.00
Melitota	251.00
Still Pond	75.00
Locust Grove	88.00
Lankford	33.00
	$2,416.10

Area B

Rock Hall	$ 250.00
Piney Neck	163.00
Skinners Neck	32.65
Fairlee	
	$445.65

Area C

Millington	$ 173.00
Galena	150.00
Black	52.00
Chesterville	10.00
	$ 385.00

Total of A, B, and C, area....$3,246.75

Colored

Quaker Neck	$ 20.50
Morgnec	7.00
Melitota	31.50
Millington	16.00
Georgetown	71.50
Fountain	45.00
Fairlee	9.50
Coleman Corner	54.00
Chesterville	9.00
Chestertown	246.50
Butlertown	56.00
Still Pond	6.00
Worton Point	1.00
	$573.00

Grand total to date..... $3,819.75

Appeal of Henry Demain, Kent County War Fund chairman, as delivered over Station WFBR, Baltimore on Sunday, Oct. 8.

Ladies and Gentlemen of Kent County and to all Kent Counties many friends:

May I, as chairman of the Kent County Community War Fund say, that our boys will to win, backed up here at home by all of us, is now their spirit of victory. These boys of ours can't stop now, surely, neither can we. Neither can we, the citizens of Kent County let them down. Everybody has to keep going—unhesitatingly, confidentially, with full faith until victory is conclusive.

Our drive for contributions which opens on Monday, Oct. 9th, offers an opportunity to our citizens of Kent County, to give—not lend—for our own and our allies. Our quota for Kent County was set at $5,750.00. There are approximately 1200 men and women in the armed forces from Kent County at the present time. Now, let us be fair with each other, are we asking too much of you? I would say no. We are only asking for each man and woman in the service $5.00 and I feel positive, our quota will be over subscribed, as we the citizens of Kent County, do not figure in terms of dollars and cents, but in terms of love for our dear ones who are fighting to preserve our great democracy. Your generous contribution will mean much to our men and women.

For instance, it will mean, 3030 U. S. O. service units throughout the world. Giving them "A home away from home."

It will mean, U. S. O. camp shows here and abroad which will keep them laughing.

It will mean, United Seamen's Service for our seamen in all ports over the globe.

And it will mean, war prisioners aid for thousands of our boys who languish in prison camps which are bounded by barbed wire.

For our allies, it will mean, care and rehabilitation for child war victims.

It will mean, food for those whose lands were stripped by the Axis hordes.

And it will mean, medical aid for the undernourished and ill.

Our own fighting men have set the example. They not only give but they share. Before these fighting men went into the battle of Tarawa, the 10th Regiment of Marines sent $300.00 to the National War Fund. Now mind you, not alone are they fighting from fox holes, living in mud, and giving their lives to preserve our American way of life, but from their small earnings they give to a cause which they feel is worthy.

Gen. Eisenhower put it this way: "The only thing needed for us to win, is for every man and woman, all the way from the front line to the remotest hamlet . . . to do his or her duty."

I personally appeal to all citizens of Kent County to give generously to our fund, a worthwhile cause, deserving the support of everyone. Your dollars will help build the better world for which our men and women from Kent County are fighting for.

In 1943 Kent County failed to subscribe to their quota. Your committee in 1944 asks every citizen of Kent County to share in this common effort, to prove that those on the home front stand ready to sacrifice for our own and our allies, and this, will strengthen the will to win, which eventually must mean total victory, and pave the way for a sound and lasting peace.

In conclusion, may I say, that your gift will go to work in six continents and 91 countries including our own, it will cross embattled seas, sift through closed borders, and penetrate barbed wire entanglements. In the jungles of the Pacific and behind the lines in Europe, for instance, our own armed forces will get a lift and laugh when U. S. O. Camp Show Units go ashore, soon afterour troops establish beachheads. In Cherbrough, Merchant Seamen suffering from nervous tension, more popularly known as "Convoy Fatigue" may get rest and replacements at a Seamens Service Center.

Ladies and gentlemen of Kent County, it all adds up to one thought, and that is, we must give more than before. Yes indeed, we must, we can, we will put Kent County over the top. I thank you.

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COMMISSIONERS IN MEETING AT CAMBRIDGE

Numerous officials attending the meeting at Easton last Thursday of the Eastern Shore County Commissioners Association made it clear that they were opposed to the proposed plan to extend the powers of county commissioners to pass local laws. The matter however was to receive further study yesterday, (Thursday), at another meeting of the association in Cambridge. Representing Kent County at this meeting were President Julian W. Hurtt and Attorney Preston P. Heck of the County Commissioners.

The purpose of yesterday's meeting was to draw up resolutions to be put before the Legislative Council for their study.

The suggested changes, proposed by the State Senator James J. Lindsay, president of the Maryland Senate and chairman of the legislative council, would give the county boards wide powers in the passage of measures now introduced and passed on at regular session of the Maryland General Assembly.

The reason assigned for the proposed changes was that from 60 to 65 per cent of the bills introduced and passed at regular session of the General Assembly are local, concerning only individual counties and municipalities and that their elimination from legislative procedure would contribute to economy and efficiency.

Under the proposed plan, these local matters would be handled by the various boards of county commissioners.

James E. Andrews of Dorchester County was elected president of the association at the first meeting.

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WETHERED BARROLL TO SPEAK ON RADIO

J. Wethered Barroll, a Baltimore Attorney and formerly of Chestertown will broadcast over station WCAO on Friday evening, Oct. 27 in opposition to the change in the Court of Appeals which is to be voted on by the citizens of the Statet on November 7th. Broadcast at 7:15 P. M.

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