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ROCK HALL FIELD WAS DESIGNATED ON TUESDAY

The Rock Hall Air-field was designated an air-field on Tuesday of this week. Ralph McGinnis, manager of the field accompanied by Wm. Belt Townshend flew to Hagerstown on Tuesday of this week and arrangements were completed.

Flying lessons are expected to start next week. Those interested in taking these lessons are advised to get in touch with either Ralph McGinnis or Clifton Simms at Rock Hall. They want twenty to take courses and have nearly that number now. It takes 8 hours of instruction before the student is allowed to solo and 30 hours of solo flying before the student can get a private license. Plans call for passenger service from the field but this arrangement has not been completed yet.

For more particulars see last week's issue of THE TRANSCRIPT.

Annapolis — Announcement was made this week by Gov. Herbert R. O'Conor of the appointment by the State Aviation Commission of Maryland of William McK. Reber, Jr., to the position of Secretary of the Commission. Mr. Reber, who was highly recommended for the post by officials of the Civil Aeronautics Administration, will serve out the remainder of the term of four years from June 1, 1943.

The new appointee has had a wide experince in many phases of aviation. He has served as Chief Ground School Instructor of the CAA-Civilian Pilot Training Program at Bucknell Univ., Lewisburg, Pa., and also at the State Teachers College, Bloomsburg, Pa. In Sept., 1941 he was appointed Ground School Supervisor for the CAA and, in that position, had supervision over the States of Md., N. J. and Pa. He holds a pilot's certificate and has quite a few hours in the air to his credit.

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Bay Oyster Bars Get Commercial Rating

The Commission of Tidewater Fisheries has announced the opening of four oyster bars in the upper Chesapeake Bay to commercial harvesters.

The decision to reopen Mitchell's Bluff, Tolchester Bar, Coal Lump and Hodges Bar, comprising 641 acres, was made after a survey by the commission and studies by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Two other bars in the area, Man-O-War and Tea Tables, will remain closed to dredgers to allow reproduction during the current season. Flat Rock or Deep Shoal will be reserved as a source of spawners to be transplanted to blighted areas.

The upper bay bars, which have been set aside as a source of seed oysters and spawners since the early 1900's, were the subject of a controversy during the entire 1943 harvesting season, when they were closed, reopened and then reclosed.

The commission said the four upper bay bars were being opened for dredging because surveys have revealed large populations of oysters, at least 50 per cent of which are above the legal limit, in good condition to command an excellent price when placed on the market.

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Christmas Seals Now On Sale

The thirty-eighth annual campaign for the sale of Christmas Seals got under way Monday under the direction of Mrs. Nora C. Maxwell. Most of the proceeds will be used in the purchase of an X-ray machine for the Chestertown Health Center, for conducting monthly tuberculosis clinics at the health center, and for educational purposes. Mrs. A. F. Whitsitt, wife of the county public health director, is secretary of the campaign committee.

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Holly Licensed

State Forester Joseph F. Kaylor has announced that all holly dealers of the state must be licensed this year. This is the first time that licenses have been required and is due to the depletion of forests in the northeastern states which has resulted in becoming of prime importance in holly growing.

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A registered Jers[illegible] Sweetheart of Betty Lew Farm, [illegible]0444, was recently purchased by M. Earle Davis, Golt, Md. The American Jersey Cattle Club records each change of ownership, each production record and each type classification of Jerseys in the forty-eight states of America. More than thirty-six thousand Jerseys found new homes last year.

War Loan Drive Reaches $96,000

The Kent County 6th War Loan Drive, to date has reached a total of $96,000 towards theid quota of $275,000.

Recent sales are: Holt Oil Co., $10,000; Breyer's Ice Cream Co., $10,000; C. & P. Telephone Co., $15,000.

On December 8, a caravan of War equipment will be in Chestertown on display. Through arrangements with the Business Men's Association the Band will play when the caravan arrives, the afternoon of the 8th. All merchants and others are asked to display their flags on that date.

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With the Armed Forces

Mrs. Joseph Walters received a telephone call Tuesday evening that her son, Kenneard J. Burke, A.M.M., 2-c U. S. Navy had arrived back in the United States after flying 35 missions as a gunner in the Pacific. He expects a furlough soon.

Mrs. Bartus Vickers has received word from her husband that he has arrived in this country after having been overseas for nearly a year as a member of the Seabees. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Vickers of Chestertown.

Robert C. Brenizer, son of Mrs. M. A. Sterling, of Airy Hill Farm, has been assigned to regimental intelligence with the 541st parachute infantry regiment at Camp Macall, N. C. He will receive a few months special training in intelligence work preparatory to service overseas. Camp Macall is a post composed entirely of air-born units.

With the Fifth Army, Italy—Sergeant Earl Hoffner of Kennedyville, Maryland, was a member of a squad that outslugged Nazis making a heavy counter-attack in northern Italy recently.

A unit in the 88th "Blue Devil" Division of Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark's Fifth Army, the squad forced the Germans to retreat north to Mount Grande, an important height before the Po Valley.

For two hours, the Jerries, using self-propelled weapons, grenades, mortars and small arms fire, stormed the Yanks' bastion in a medieval stonehouse but were beaten back.

From the windows and doors, the Yanks fired expertly as they picked the Jerries off, one by one. Hand grenades were exchanged fast and furiously for Nazi "potato mashers", but the enemy made no headway.

Just after the Nazis withdrew, reinforcements appeared for the battle-weary infantrymen.

15th AAF In Italy—2nd Lt. Andrew W. McCauley, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Herman McCauley, Georgetown, Maryland, recently was awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

Lt. McCauley has flown more than 12 combat missions as bombardier of a B-24 Liberator.

The 22 year old bombardier received technical training at Childress Air Base, Texas.

He is a member of a veteran heavy bomb group which has twice been cited by the President for outstanding performance of duty in action. This Liberator group has flown more than 300 combat missions.

Lt. McCauley is a graduate of Mt. St. Joseph's College where he was a member of the football, soccer and swimming teams.

He joined the AAF, May 28, 1942, at Washington, D. C., as a flying cadet.

Miami Beach, Fla.—Sgt. Charles H. Callaway, 29, Chestertown, has arrived at Army Air Forces Redistribution **Station No. 2 in Miami Beach,** Fla., for reassignment processing after completing a tour of duty outside the continental United States.

Medical examinations and classification interviews at this post, one of three redistribution stations operated by the AAF Personel Distribution Command for AAF returnee officers and enlisted men, will determine his new assignment. He will remain here about two weeks, much of which will be devoted to rest and recreation.

Sergeant Callaway was a medical technician for 29 months in the Southwest Pacific. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Callaway, of 616 High St., he entered the Aarmy in March, 1942. His wife, Anna, lives at Easton, Md.

Norfolk, Va.,—Five Navy men from Maryland, members of VPB-202, one of the Navy's "big boat" squadrons, and a veteran of combat duty against both the Nazis and the Japanese, are home after 10 months in the Pacific in which 800 missions were flown without a single cancellation.

Included in the group was Robert Preston Shallcross, aviation machinist's mate third class, USN, son of Preston Jones Shallcross, Rock Hall. The squadron, led by Comdr. R. W. Leeman, USN, Manchester, N. H., flew Martin MARINERS. After patrol duty in the Atlantic, it was the first Navy MARINER squadron to operate in Pacific combat. Its Pacific itinerary, which covered more than a million miles of aerial flight, reads like a check-list of the United States' invasions of Japanese Pacific possessions.

Tarawa was the squadron's first combat stop. Then followed Majuro, Kwajalein, Eniwetok and Saipan. The outfit's last port of call, prior to its return home on leave, was the Philippines. The squadron log includes missions that range all the way from hum-drum patrols to hazardous strikes against heavily-fortified enemy bases and shipping.

Baltimore—A Kent county infantry officer, Captain Edward A. Peters, today received the Silver Star medal posthumously for gallantry in action in June with the 101st Airborne Division and three Baltimoreans were awarded the Air Medal by Major General Philip Hayes, Commanding General of the Third Service Command.

Captain Peters, who lost his life in the operation which won him the Silver Star—fifth highest Army decoration—landed with a regiment of paratroopers at a nundisclosed point on the western front, assembled eight of his men and led them toward their objective.

The group, according to his citation, "suddenly was attacked by a vastly superior force of the enemy, who had them surrounded in a small field. With great personal bravery, Captain Peters immediately engaged the enemy with his small group and personally accounted for four of the enemy before being mortally wounded.

"His gallantry and disregard for personal safety so inspired the men that they fought their way out of the trap and were able to join other members of their regiment," the citation continued. "The actions of Captain Peters were in accordance with the highest standards of the military service."

Captain Peters' widow, Mrs. Mary N. Peters, of Galena, Md., accepted the medal from General Hayes. Peters attended Western Maryland College, at Westminster, Md., and before entering the Army in January, 1942, was a company commander at the CCC camp at Goldsboro, Md.

D.H.I.A. ELECTS OFFICERS AT MEETING WED.

The Kent County Dairy Herd improvement Association held its Annual Meeting in Chestertown Wednesday evening.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Walter T. Morris, Jr.; Vice-President, William R. Newnam; Recording Secretary, William R. McCubbin; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Elsie Cursey. Directors elected were Olin Davis, Albert Nicholson and James Alexander, Jr.

Merlin R. Shank is supervisor and tester for Kent County.

J. Grant Magrogan had the high herd and individual cow for the year.

On page 8 will be found a list of herds with 1944 average above Association average, also a list of cows making over 450 lbs. fat for the year and a comparision of years.

Millington Men In The Service

Roland Price, C.S.K., U.S.N., has recently been commissioned as Pay Clerk. He is aboard the transport U. S. S. Merak. He spent the Thanksgiving Holidays at his home here.

John Robbins, U. S. Merchant Marine has arrived home to spend **30 days with his parents,** Mr. and Mrs. John Robbins. John left the states in May from Norfolk, Va., made stops at Port Haid, went through the Suez Canal, stopped in Aden, from there to the Persian Gulf on to Cape Toid Town, from there to Buenois Aires on to Rid-de-Janerio, from there to Trinidad and from there back to New Orlleans.

Pvt. Lee Bramble, U.S.A., of Fort Bragg, N. C., has recently been transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Pvt. James Jones, U.S.A., of Fort Bragg, N. C., is spending a furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jones.

Pvt. Benjamin Jones, U.S.A., of Camp Wheeler. Ga., has been spending **sometime here with his** parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Jones.

Pvt. Benjamin Graham of Camp Croft, S. C., has been spending a ten-day furlough here with his family.

Will Attend National 4-H Meeting In Chicago

Olin S. Davis, Jr., of near Golts, is being congratulated in the above picture by a group of Interstate Milk Producers Association upon being selected to attend the National 4-H Club meeting in Chicago. Included in the group are, left to right, Edgar D. Lusby, Kennedyville; James P. Donahoe, Massey; Olin S. Davis, Jr., being congratulated by Stanley B. Sutton, Assistant County Agent; George Bignear, Galena; J. D. McVean, County Agent; Alva Stant, Quaker Neck; J. B. Newnam, Rock Hall, and Melvin Jarvis, Chesterville.

Win Highest Awards In County 4-H Shows

The above Kent County girls received the highest county awards for their participation in 4-H Club work and shows during the past year. Top picture left to right are: Eleanor Schauber, Chestertown, Leadership winner; Dorothy Jones, Rock Hall, Special Award; Rita Donahoe, Massey, Special Award; Joanne Simms, Rock Hall, Special Award; Mary Lou Burris, Quaker Neck, Special Award; Margaret Bignear, Chesterville, Special Award; Betty Jarvis, Chesterville, Land Ladies Scholarship.

Bottom picture, left to right: Theresa Donahoe, Massey, Victory Garden winner; Ann Schauber, Chestertown, girls record winner; Ann Sutton, Kennedyville, food preparation winner; Phyllis Newnam, Rock Hall, achievement winner; Hazel Newnam, Massey, Canning winner; Clara Virginia Jarvis, Chesterville, clothing winner.

Olin S. Davis, Jr., will attend the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago, Dec. 1-8 as the outstanding 4-H Dairy member of the Eastern Shore. This scholarship is made possible by the Interstate Milk Producers Co-operative of which most Kent dairymen are members.

The announcement of Olin's selection was made at the County 4-H Thanksgiving Get-to-Gether last Friday night at the Fireman's Hall in Chestertown by Ass't. Co. Agent, Stanley B. Sutton. Olin has been a 4-H member for seven years, specializing in Dairying. From a small beginning with a pure bred Holstein heifer calf named Inks Conductor Maggie he now has seven pure bred Holsteins and has sold as many more. The two cows and two heifers in milk this year have produced during first eleven months of 1944, 33,549 lbs. milk and 1166.9 lbs. fat which is enough food to feed six soldiers for a full year.

Olin has also been a very successful showman. In six years he has exhibited his animals at ten fairs and has won a total of 66 ribbons including a State 4-H Championship. He has served as president, secretary and treasurer at different times of the Upper Kent Boys 4-H Club and has assisted other boys in their dairy problems.

He is now a senior in Galena High School and is very active in athletics and other school activities.

More than one hundred and fifty 4-H members and their leaders met at the firemen's Hall, Chestertown on Friday night Nov. 25, for a Thanksgiving Get-to-gether. Awards were made to about one hundred members who exhibited at community 4-H shows last summer. County awards were made by Miss Schellinger to girls who achieved outstanding success in their various projects.

Rev. Melvin Kay conducted a brief Thanksgiving service using "Partners" as his subject. He very appropriately led the group in giving thanks for the many opportunities and partnerships which have come our way.

Wendell Henry Addressed Lions Club

H. Wendell Henry, of Salisbury, Md., District Governor of 22B, Lions International, addressed the Chestertown Lions Club at their regular meeting last Monday evening. Mr. Henry, a recent papa, was given a present for the baby by the local club.

A public dance will be held in the Armory on Dec. 8th, sponsored by the Chestertown Lions Club. Lew Startts Orchestra will furnish music for the occasion.

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Piney Point Bar Yields Record Oyster Catch

Queenstown—One of the largest and most valuable catches of oysters made by Chester River tongers in the history of the industry was caught by Capt. William Schelberg and his culler of this town, who tonged 218 bushels of select oysters in two days on a lump which he found on Piney Point Bar, near the mouth of the river, recently.

The catch, which was sold for $2 per bushel, netted Captain Schelberg $436 for the two day's work.

Choir To Entertain Soldiers Here

The Christ Methodist Church Choir will have as its guests over the week-end of December 16th, thirty members of the armed forces stationed at Aberdeen, Maryland. These young men and women will be entertained in the homes of members of Christ Church and will remain and take part in the Christmas Vesper Service December 17th, 1944, at 4 P. M.

These young people will be just a few of the many who will be unable to spend Christmas with their families and friends. The Choir hopes that in this way it will be able to extend the Christmas Spirit a little beyound its own community.

The Vesper program is being planned for the county and neighboring residents, but especially for service men and women and their families. If you have not registered, plase do so not later than December 10th. Cards and information can be obtained at A. L. Sparks' Store in Chestertown, Maryland. If your registration is not in by the above date, the committee on arrangements will be unable to plan for the special tribute to the ones you wish to honor.

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A Home Service meeting of Cecil, Queen Anne's, Caroline and Kent counties will hold a meeting at the Red Cross Chapter House, Wednesday, Dec. 6. The session will begin at 9:30 A. M. and will last until 4 P. M.

Chestertown Man Wins Campaign Prize

Featured in the Louisville Courier-Journal is a picture of William T. Smith, receiving a live turkey as first prize for getting membership in the Y. M. C. A. of Louisville, Ky. William T. (Bill) Smith is the son of Mrs. Belle Smith of Chestertown and he visits his mother every year. He has been in the insurance and bonding business there for several years.

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Adult Fellowship Meeting Cancelled

A heavy rain interfered with the November meeting of the Kent County Youth Adult Fellowship in the First Methodist Church here on Monday evening. The original program of addresses and discussions on religious topics was abandoned. Stanley B. Sutton, of St. James Methodist charge, near here, president of the group, read a set of by-laws. Vote on its adoption was deferred to the December meeting. The Rev. Paul E. Reynolds, pastor of the church, conducted the devotional exercises.

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The Woman's Auxiliary of old St. Paul's P. E. Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Tilden Brice, Jr., near Lankford, Tuesday, Dec. 5th at 12:30 P. M.

LEGION BANQUET IS SET FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY

Next Wednesday night, December 8th, the Frank M. Jarman Post, No. 36 of the American Legion will hold their 26th Annual Banquet and installation of officers in the Firemen's Hall. All Legionnaires, their families and friends are invited to attend.

Among the honored guests will be the State Commander, John W. Jennings and the State Adjutant, J. Nelson Tribby, both of Baltimore. Also attending, to swear in the local officers, will be the District Vice-Commander, Warren Boulder of Elkton. The officers, elected last May, are Commander, Norman E. Peterson; Adjutant, John Klein; 1st and 2nd Vice-Commander, J. Lewin Burris and Owen Selby, and treasurer, C. Lee Gill. Major Philip G. Wilmer, an outstanding Legionnaire, will act as master of ceremonies for the occasion.

The Memorial Home Fund Drive is still short of its goal, according to Commander Peterson, and about $800 is needed to complete the drive. Mr. Peterson also stated that several gifts of furniture and other household goods have been received and are greatly appreciated by the Post. Anyone having furniture, dishes etc., to donate to the Home, should contact a member of the Legion.

Recent contributors to the fund drive are :

George Ringold	$ 5.00
Kent Saving Bank	10.00
Owen C. Smith	5.00
William Miller	5.00
Mrs. Grace Kirby	1.00
Anne B. Smith	5.00
James Kernan	5.00
Margarett Besse	25.00
Percy M. Hepburn	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Peterson	5.00
Fred E. Bullitt	2.00
James A. Reed	5.00
R. E. Edwards	10.00
Bordley & Sons	10.00
J. T. Kibler	10.00
J. T. Kibler, Jr.	10.00
Chas. W. Kibler	10.00
John Frank	2.00
Milton Barwick	5.00
A. L. Sparks	10.00
Chas. E. Stradley	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Orr	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ivens	10.00
Edith Ann Ivens	5.00
John Bedwell	25.00
Julian Jones	2.00
George E. Lambert	5.00
C. E. Noland	10.00
Austin Williams	1.00
Homer King	10.00
Julian Crew	5.00
Miller Goodman	5.00
Rosemary Goodman	5.00
John P. Pearce	1.00
Eddie Elburn	1.00
Henry Suskins	5.00
J. T. Anthony	10.00
T. Ringgold Jones	5.00
George French	5.00
Ralph Geary	5.00
Wickers Bowers	5.00
J. R. Ryan	1.00
Mary E. Copper	5.00
C. A. Wilson	5.00
Charles Eshman	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Sutton	5.00
Andrew Wilson	10.00
George Stevens	10.00
Elmer Batchelor	5.00

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Vansant—Davidson

Miss Dorothy Vansant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vansant of Chesterville, and Mr. Clem Davidson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Clem Davidson of Chesterville, were married November 22nd, at 2:30 P. M., by the Rev. Paul Reynolds of Chestertown. Following the ceremony the couple took a trip to Baltimore and Washington.

Messick—Vansant

Miss Lois Messick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gale Messick of Chesterville, and Mr. Albert Pratt Vansant, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vansant of Chesterville were married on Wednesday afternoon, November 29th by the Rev. Daniel T. Pritchard.

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Mr. and Mrs. Philip T. Jones of Fairlee announce the marriage of their daughter, Betty Louise to Howard Samuel Redman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Redman of Fairlee, at the home of the bride Thursday evening, November 30th. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Charles Conway of Sacred Heart Church. Matron of honor was Mrs. Clyde Sparks and best man was Mr. Clyde Sparks.

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On Business Trip To North Carolina

Mr. Morgan Bennett is spending the week in North Carolina making plans for the coming trapping season. Mr. Bennett has purchased a lot of marsh land in that State. He was accompanied on the trip by Mr. William Hadaway.

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