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O'CONOR TO REDUCE ALL STATE TAXES

Annapolis, January 19: Governor Herbert R. O'Conor in his Budget Message to the General Assembly provided for a reduction of 33⅓% on individual incomes, earned or from investments, for the next year, thus avoiding the return to the statutory rates of 2% on ordinary and 5% on investment income.

"Under the financial plan which I have developed," Governor O'Conor declared, "I am proposing a decrease in the State tax on real estate from 12c to 11c for the fiscal years 1946 and 1947. This is the lowest rate since 1861.

"When this Administration took office in 1939, the Bonded Debt of the State was $48,157,000. Since that time, the debt has been reduced by $21,007,000, a reduction of 43%. The Bonded Debt, as of today, is $27,150,000, which represents the very small percentage of .9% on the current taxable basis of the State.

"My general policy has been to use surpluses to reduce taxes in an effort to relieve the heavy burden of taxes necessarily imposed by the enormous cost of the World War. Following this policy, reductions were effected during the 1942-1943 biennium that resulted in savings to the taxpayers of the State of $6,864,975.28 from the income tax, plus $4,370,211.70 from the State real estate tax.

"In the current biennium similar action towards tax reduction by the State Administration resulted in further savings of $6,324,715.07 to the taxpayers as the result of the reduction of the income tax and from the continuation of the lowered real estate tax. Thus, over the four years, a total of $17,559,902.05 was saved to the taxpayers of Maryland as the result of the use of surplus funds, which had been accumulated in part through economics and savings resulting in reversions to the State Treasury. There will be further savings from the Income Tax reduction of one-third applicable to 1944 incomes."

Referring to post-war construction, Governor O'Conor declared that "Projects totaling approximately $12,000,000 have been selected for early construction and I shall present to your honorable body bills authorizing these construction projects and providing for financing the cost thereof. I shall recommend the financing of this program by a bond issue of only $5,075,000, the remainder being supplied from the State surplus and the previously established Post-War Construction Fund.

"Requests by the various departments, boards, commissions and institutions, and fixer charges, amuonted to $117,839,053.70.

"I have carefully reviewed these requests and have weighed the desirability and necessity for allowances against the imperative need to keep the cost of operating the State Government at a minimum which is required for the administration of essential services, and I am recommending General and Special Funds appropriations totaling $112,733,590.70. This represents a reduction of $5,105,463.00 from the amounts requested by the various State agencies.

"It is worthy of special note that, although the total increases in General Funds appropriations, which aggregate $57,851,000, is $691,000.00, it has nevertheless been possible to provide very substantial necessary increases in this budget, totaling $5,585,336 for State Hospitals, for the Public School System and the State educational institutions, for the conservation of our natural resources, for health and the initiation of the medical care program, and for the State's correctional institutions."

The following increases were cited by Governor O'Conor:

Public Schools $2,113,112 (mandatory); Mental Disease Hospitals, 906,383; University of Maryland, $713,787; Public Health, $155,127; Tuberculosis Sanatoria, $289,680; State Forests and Parks, $175,418; State Teachers' College, $278,311; Morgan College, $87,698.

"I am recommending, contingent upon the passage of legislation providing for the administration of a Program of Medical Care," Governor O'Conor went on, "that an appropriation of $200,950.00 be authorized for 1946, and $201,365.00 be authorized for 1947. Of this amount, $190,000.00 will be used each year to provide medical care to indigent persons; the balance of $10,950.00 in 1946 and $11,365.00 in 1947 is to be used for the administrative costs."

In order to afford greater protection to residents of the counties, especially those not having a regular police force, Governor O'Conor made provisions in the budget for an increase in the State police force of 100 men. He arranged that 25 additional policemen would be added each six months for the next two years. Funds for the additional policemen, as well as for their maintenance and operating expenses, do not come from the General Treasury. These funds are procured from gasoline tax revenues so that the increase in the force is not reflected in the State tax rate.

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MILLINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. Marple Lynch and daughter, Christie, of Elkton were Sunday visitors of her mother, Mrs. Mattie Neal.

Mrs. N. A. Wallen and Mrs. Paul Bowman attended a Homemakers Club Luncheon which was held at the Kennedyville School on Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Spear of Baltimore was a week-end guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Comegys.

Mrs. Benjamin Jones and children of Wilmington visited relatives in town on Sunday.

Mr. Taylor Stevens of Wilmington was a Sunday visitor of his mother Mrs. Ethel Stevens.

The Homemakers Club held a Covered Dish Luncheon on Wednesday afternoon in the Community Hall.

Lieut. and Mrs. G. H. Richards and son of Port Deposit, Ensign Ellen Logan of Bethesda, and Lieut. James Howard, U.S.N., of Norfolk, Va., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Logan.

Julian Leager, U.S.M.M., of Sheeps Head Bay, New York spent the week-end here at his home.

Cpl. and Mrs. James Pippin entertained at dinner on Friday evening P. C. Roland Price, U.S.N., and Mrs. Price and son, and Mrs. Arthur Anthony and son Wayne.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Walls and Miss Madaline Betty and Mr. Ray Walls of Wilmington were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. L. E.Massey.

Mrs. Margaret Lloyd and daughter, Peggy, spent several days this week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shahan.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Wallen entertained at a dinner on Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Church, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Gale, Mrs. Joseph Tubbs, and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Davidson and children.

According to word received from Pfc. Walter Gale he is able to get around on crutches. He received injuries to his right leg while serving with the 100th Diivision overseas.

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Harvesting Peas

It requires less than 18 hours of man labor to grow and harvest a crop of canning peas, according to a survey.

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WEEKLY REPORT FOR MARYLAND FARM FRONT

The War Food Administration has authorized county AAA committees to issue Farmers' Lumber Certificates since farm dwelling repair and maintenance have now been recognized as an essential lumber use, it was announced this week by Jos. H. Blandford, Maryland AAA Chairman.

Farmers' Lumber Certificates may also be issued for farm dwelling construction when the cost is within the exemption limits of War Production Order L-41. This order exempts construction costing up to $1,000 per farm per calendar year, not more than $200 of which may be spent on any farm house.

In the past, Farmers' Lumber Certificates have been issued for the repair and maintenance of implements, fences, and service buildings other than dwellings, except that provision was made for emergency repairs and construction of dwellings. Now dwellings are recognized as service buildings which must be maintained in condition for habitation or use in agricultural production.

Farmers' Lumber Certificates, which are certified and rated orders, are issued against state lumber quotas for essential uses only. With dwellings now added, the list of essential uses covers all farm production facilities, explained Blandford.

N. E. Dodd, Chief of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency in Washington, has announced the 1945 National Agricultural Conservation Program designed to assist farmers to continue record wartime food production and at the same time undertake more long-range conservation practices. He pointed out that "considerable soil depletion and erosion have taken place during the war years, as farmers increased total production nearly one-third above prewar levels.

Forestry practices, temporarily dropped from the national program by the AAA last year, have been reinstated to encourage farmers to maintain and improve tree stands and to construct firebreaks. Practices involving lime, phosphate, and other fertilizers have been given extra emphasis. Through the stimulus of intensive educational programs by the Extension Service and the Soil Conservation Service and the encouragement by the AAA incentive payments, application of limestone and phosphate on farmland has increased seven-fold, it was reported.

Payments under the 1945 AAA program will be offered for these general types of practices; application of lime, fertilizers, and other materials; planting of cover crops; harvesting of legume and grass seeds; erosion control and water conservation; pasture management; forestry; and other practices such as noxious weed control and renovation of perennial legumes and grasses.

Assistance is given farmers in conservation materials, services, purchase orders, or payments. The materials are purchased through regular commercial trade channels wherever practical. The assistance offered is designed to represent a part of the cost of carrying out the conservation practices on the land.

As in the past year, the 1945 National Program varies by states and sometimes by counties according to variations in climate, topography, type of farming, and conservation needs. The conservation practices for states and areas were developed in consultation with local AAA farmer-committeemen, agricultural college specialists, and other farm agencies.

Nationally, more than 4,000,000 farmers are expected to participate in the 1945 program, according to Dodd.

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GALENA HI-LIGHTS

By Louise Rowan

On the afternoon of January 18, Mr. Startt attended a principals' conference in Centreville. Mr. E. Clark Fontaine, one of the state supervisors, was in charge of the meeting.

Julia Wharton, one of our Juniors, again had the honor of having one of her poems "To A Tide" accepted for the Mid-Atlantic Anthology. This is not the first poem Julia has written that has been accepted for the Anthology. Last year her poem "Song Of A Freeman" was accepted not only for the Mid-Atlantic Anthology but also for the National Anthology. Her poem "To A Tide" is as follows:

All day I've revolted against your strength
All day, all life, and now at length
When I have at last won my desired Freedom from your leash of slavery
I can not use it, I'm too tired
And you have won the battle, though I'm free.

The faculty and entire student body extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Newnam and family. Their son, Gene, was killed in an airplane crash in Seattle, Washington on January 10th. He was graduated from Galena High in 1942.

On January 3rd the P.T.A. began to serve hot lunches at the Elementary school. It has been arranged that two members of the P.T.A. shall prepare and serve the lunches each week. Members serving thus for are: Mrs. E. Davis, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. A. Mulford, Mrs. Gilespie, Mrs. J. Davis, Mrs. Driscoll.

Our schedule has been changed due to the arrival of our Home Economics teacher, Miss Hadaway and Manual Training teacher, Mr. Briers. We are glad to have Miss Hadaway back with us and extend our welcome to Mr. Briers.

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Tungsten Tools

Tools made from tungsten steel were found to last many times as long as the best tools made previously, and the efficiency of the worker was increased from three to five times.

NORFOLK NAVY YARD OFFERS MANY JOBS

G. W. Meekins, labor recruiter for the Norfolk Navy Yard, announced here today at the U. S. Employment Service Office, Chestertown, Md., that he is in a position to offer immediate employment to eligible men classified as 4-F and to other men who are not working in essential war work.

"Every man who can work has got to put his shoulder to the wheel," Mr. Meekins said, "and the Norfolk Navy Yard is one place where a man can be sure he is doing a job for the war effort."

All types of workmen ranging from electricians and machinists to unskilled laborers are needed at the Navy Yard to help with Naval construction and repair, the recruiter said.

He stated that excellent wages are paid, that the Navy will pay transportation to Portsmouth, Va., where the Yard is located, and that housing will be provided at reasonable cost. All the work is under Civil Service.

Mr. Meekins will be at the Employment Office, 111 Court Street, Chestertown, Md., January 22 to 27, 1945. Applicants must conform with War Manpower Commission regulations, and no one who is already employed in essential work should apply.

He is also recruiting for all other Navy Yards in the United States, Hawaiian Islands and Alaska.

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The undersigned will offer at public sale in front of the Court House door in Chestertown, Md., on

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	LEVIED 1944	SPENT 1944	LEVIED 1945
Alms House	$ 6,000.00	$ 9,239.48	$ 6,000.00
ASSESSMENTS:			
Supervisor's Salary	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,700.00
New Assessments	2,000.00	1,957.90	2,000.00
Bonds	25,000.00	25,000.00	15,000.00
Bonds, Coupons	4,650.00	4,650.00	3,600.00
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:			
Office Expenses	500.00	983.13	800.00
Commissioners' Salaries	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Clerk's Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Attorney's Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
Printing	1,000.00	999.99	1,000.00
Education	100,000.00	110,968.62	107,780.68
Elections, Salaries and Expenses	8,000.00	13,591.87	2,000.00
EXTENSION SERVICE:			
Salaries and Expenses	4,375.00	4,370.91	4,635.00
Jap Beetle Control	0.00	300.00	300.00
HEALTH:			
County Office	175.00	168.75	175.00
State Office	5,296.00	5,260.00	5,296.00
County Hospitals	750.00	750.00	1,000.00
State Hospitals	9,000.00	7,876.63	9,000.00
Vital Statistics	150.00	182.40	150.00
LAW AND ORDER:			
Court House, Maintenance, Etc.	3,000.00	3,897.93	3,500.00
Court House Janitor's Sal.	540.00	540.00	540.00
Circuit Court, Sal. & Exp.	2,200.00	1,983.72	2,200.00
Circuit Court, Jurors, Wit.	1,300.00	898.90	1,300.00
Clerk's Office, Supplies	300.00	0.00	100.00
State's Att., Office Exp.	25.00	25.00	25.00
State's Attorney's Salary	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Orphan's Court, Salaries, Exp.	1,500.00	1,438.15	1,500.00
Jail, Maintenance	150.00	93.55	150.00
Jail Physician	150.00	150.00	150.00
Jail Cook	520.00	520.00	520.00
Jail Supplies	1,200.00	872.54	1,200.00
Sheriff's Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Deputy Sheriff's Salary	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Sheriff's Transportation	1,900.00	1,176.60	1,300.00
Sheriff's Office Expenses	600.00	600.00	800.00
Sheriff's Board of Prisoners	$3,000.00	$2,454.00	$2,800.00
Trial Magistrate's Office Exp	200.00	90.70	200.00
Trial Magistrate's Salary	1500.00	1,500.00	1.500.00
Trial Magt. Substitute's Salary	500.00	500.00	500.00
Trial Magt. Clerk's Salary	780.00	780.00	780.00
Trial Magt. Justices of the Peace	290	287.50	290.00
License Commissioners Sal.	900.00	900.00	900.00
License Comm. Clerk's Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
License Comm. Office Expenses	50.00	12.00	50.00
Inquisitions	300.00	275.00	300.00
Reformation & State Schools	2,000.00	1,669.97	2,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS:			
Auditors' Salaries	500.00	280.00	500.00
Audit, Publishing	150.00	150.00	150.00
Civilian Defense	100.00	0.00	100.00
Fire Companies	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Incorporated Towns	3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00
Incorp. Towns, Bank Shares	700	635.61	700.00
Loans	0.00	7,000.00	0.00
Loans, Interest	375.00	78.75	100.00
Miscellaneous	4,000.00	11,897.44	4,000.00
Roads and Bridges	500.00	0.00	500.00
TREASURER:			
Office Expenses	1,500.00	1,494.64	1,500.00
Treasurer's Salary	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Deputies' Salary	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
WELFARE:			
Old Age Assistance	4,478.02	4,729.07	5,132.32
Dependent Children	1,812.17	1,812.17	1,840.52
Needy Blind	886.63	827.42	1,026.21
General Public Assistance	2,636.96	2,802.42	3,023.62
Pensions	50.00	50.00	50.00
Maryland Childrens' Aid Society	800.00	848.65	600.00
Wharves, Maintenance	200.00	1.80	100.00
Certificates Issued, 1942	28.94	26.22	2.72
Certificates Issued, 1943	6,376.65	6,376.65	0.00
Certificates Issued, 1944			294.66
Contingent Fund	1,647.76	0.00	1,848.93
	240,943.18	270,376.08	227,210.68

STATE OF MARYLAND,
KENT COUNTY, SCT:
I hereby certify that the within statement of expenses for Kent County is correct as per the books of The County Commissioners Office for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1944.
In testimony whereof I hereby subscribe my name and affix the corporate seal of The County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland, this 16th day of January, A. D. 1945.

SEAL

FRISBY N. WILLSON
Clerk to The County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland

CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN 1944, PAYABLE OCTOBER 1, 1945.

Board of Prisoners for December, 1943	$216.64
Sheriff's Transportation for December, 1943	78.04
	$294.68

RESOURCES 1945

Real and Personal	$16,228,390.00	at	1.00	$162,283.90
Motor Vehicles (Estimated)	400,000.00	at	1.00	4,000.00
Corporations, Domestic (Estimated)	343,190.00	at	1.00	3,431.90
Corporations, Foreign (Estimated)	198,570.00	at	1.00	1,985.70
Corporations, Share (Estimated)	177,850.00	at	1.00	1,778.50
Public Utilities, Operating Pro. (Est.)	536,070.00	at	1.00	5,360.70
Railroads, Operating Property (Est.)	371,280.00	at	1.00	3,712.80
Railroads, Rolling Stock (Est.)	149,890.00	at	1.00	1,498.90
	$18,405,240.00			
Bank Shares & Dom. Fin. Corp. (Est.)	320,505.00	at	1.00	3,205.05
Uncollected Taxes, Collectable (Est.)				7,000.00
Co. Share of State Income Tax (Est.)				2,500.00
Rec. From Kent Co. Dispen. (Est.)				12,000.00
Cash on Hand				18,453.23
				$227,210.68

STATE OF MARYLAND, KENT COUNTY, SCT:

We have this 16th day of January, A.D. 1945, examined the aforegoing statement and find it correct and declare the County Tax Rate for the year 1945 is $1.00 (One Dollar) on each $100.00 of assessable property, and have ordered same to be published in THE KENT NEWS, THE CHESTERTOWN TRANSCRIPT and THE ENTERPRISE.

ATTEST: In witness thereof we sign our names as County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland, and affix the corporate seal of The County Commissioners of Kent County, Maryland, thereto.

SEAL

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