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## ARGOT STRATHMORE BREAKING RECORD at RADCLIFE PARK

Picture taken as Argot Strathmore, of Barclay, driven by Wm. Hepbron set a new record of 2.9½. Left to right—Louise Meadows, driven by William Cole; Argot Strathmore; Peter Direct, driven by Clarence Stant; in the rear in 4th place is Russell Boy, r., driven by Louis Drayton.

On Monday an estimated crowd of 1200 people saw Bill Hepbron drive Argot Strathmore at a pace of 2.95 to set a new record at Radcliffe Driving Park which was formerly held by Bobby Flash, owned by Clerk fo the Court Robert A. Shallcross.

Bobby Flash has been competing in the various circuits in Pennsylvania this summer under the management of Mr. George Sutton and reports from those tracks show that he has been placing in the money in practically all races he is running.

He wil be back here in October when another matinee is planned at Radcliffe Park.

The results of the races at the local park on Monday were as follows:

**2.15 Pace**

Argot Strathmore 1—1.

Owner Jack Nickerson, Barclay, Driver Wm. Hebron, Odessa.

Peter Direct 4—2.

Owner and driver Clarence Stant, Church Hill.

Louise Meadows 3—2.

Owner and driver, Wm. Cole, Church Hill.

Russell Boy Jr., 4—3.

Owner and driven by Dredon, Federalsburg.

Time of mile 2.9½—2.11½.

**2.18 Pace**

Black Beauty 1—1.

Owned by Hadaway Bros., Chestertown, Md., driven by Wm. Matthews, Middletown.

Sonny Boy 2—2.

Owned and driven by Dell Fox, Sudlersville.

Bobby Mack 3—3.

Owned and driven by Morris, Chesterville.

Time of mile 2.16; 2.14½.

**2.20 Pace**

Doctor H 1—1.

Owned and driven by Louis Everett, Lynch.

Little Margaret 2—3.

Owned in Pennsylvania, driven by Merritt Willis, Locust Grove.

Billy Bonnington 3—2.

Owned by Mr. Robinson, Marydel. Driven by Ed. Everett, Sudlersville.

Princess Lee 4—4.

Owned and driven by Louis Drayton, of Federalsburg.

Time of mile 2.18; 2.19.

**2.25 Trot**

Lindbergh 1—2.

Owned by George Everett Sudlersville, driven by Ed Everett, Sudlersville.

Roan Aubrey 4—1.

Owned by Eugene Thornton, Worton, driven by Wm. Hebron, Odessa.

Harry Azoff 2—3.

Owned and driven by Clarence Stant, Church Hill.

Guy Abbedale 3—4.

Owned by Louis Drayton, Federalsburg, driven by Thomas Toulson, Chestertown.

Time of mile 2.19; 2.16.

**Running Races**

First and Second Places.

1st race

Corona, William Loler, Worton.

Artless Cutie, Wroth Stavely, Lynch.

Time half-mile 49¼; Time mile 1.53¼.

2nd race.

Bella Dice, Robert Davis, Quaker Neck.

Dancing Doll, Wilson Yerkey, Quaker Neck.

**Pony Race**

Black Jack, Lester Smith, Lynch.

Black Beauty, Bobby Orem, Quaker Neck.

## Hughes Property At Betterton Sold

J. W. and E. A. Stafford, local Real Estate Brokers has sold for the Provident Trust Company and Mrs. Chas. R. Hughes her Bayside Betterton home to Mr. E. A. Hathaway of Swarthmore, Pa. Mr. Hathaway is connected with the Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, but expects to make this his permanent home. Price is private.

This property is one of the most desirable residences at Betterton and was built and occupied for a number of years by the late Howard Turner. It contains 20 acres and commands a beautiful view of the Chesapeake Bay.

## New Style Tractor On Display

The new style Fordson tractor and Furgerson equipment is on display today at Eliason Motors Show Rooms

A field demonstration will be given next Saturday, September 16th on the farm of Mr. Wm. Bell at 2 p. m.

## LOCAL OYSTERMEN START TONGING SEASON

*Tonging License Fee Reduced To $3.75*

With the season for tonging oysters nine days old local oystermen have started taking the bivalves. Local shucking houses have opened and then eight months season is well under way.

Clerk of the Court, Robert A. Shallcross has todate issued only four tonging licenses which is due to the thirty day grace period that is allowed oystermen to secure licenses. This grace period is allowed so that oystermen may have an opportunity to earn the license fee.

At the last session of the Legislature the license fee was reduced from $5.25 to $3.75. This latter price was the prevailing fee until a few years ago when it was raised to $5.25.

## W. DORSEY HINES TO ESTABLISH HERD OF HERFORD'S HERE

*Carload From Iowa Due This Week*

Mr. W. Dorsey Hines made a trip to Iowa this week where he purchased a carload of Herford beef cattle. Mr. Hines expects to establish the herd on his farm in Quaker Neck, near Chestertown and the newly purchased cattle will be used as breeding stock. The cattle are expected to arrive in Chestertown next week.

The beef cattle industry is increasing rapidly in this county. In addition to the large Aberdeen Angus herd at Andelot, that breed and the Herford breed are increasing in numbers in various sections of the county.

## SHORE MINISTERS TO MEET NEXT MON. AT CAMBRIDGE

*Dr. W. P. Roberts Is Vice President Of Assoc.*

Senator George L. Radcliffe will be the guest speaker at the session of the Delmarva Ministerial Association to be opened at 2 p. m. Monday in St. Paul's Methodist Church. The body was formerly identified with the Methodist Protestant Church.

Meeting in joint session will be the Dorchester County Ministerial Association. The Rev. Dr. Thomas C. Mulligan, pastor of St. Paul's Church, is president of both associations, at the same time the ministers' wives will convene, with Mrs. T. C. Mulligan, president, acting as the presiding officer.

Besides Dr. Mulligan other officers of the Delmarva Association are: vice-president, the Rev. Dr. W. P. Roberts, Chestertown; secretary-treasurer, the Rev. John W. Townsend, Snow Hill.

## P W A AGAIN TURNS DOWN BRIDGE OVER CHESAPEAKE BAY

*Result Is No Surprise To Local Advocates*

The Public Works Administration again this week turned down a proposed $6,500,250 Federal grant toward the construction of a bridge across Chesapeake Bay from a point near Tolchester to a point near Bay Shore.

The application, which was made by the Bay Bridge Authority put the entire cost of the project at $14,500,000.

The rejection of the application came as no surprise to local advocates of the bridge who have long since abandoned hope of its construction in the near future. Locally, the bridge is a dead issue and has been for sometime.

Total rejections of Maryland projects amounting to $15,428,995 in Federal grants on projects estimated to cost $33,988,878.

## Wheat Price Up

The advance in the price of wheat slowed up Thursday after reaching the limit each market day since September 1st.

The price advance was limited to 5 cents a day and the steady increase of the limit is shown by the following figures.

Thursday, August 31st—65c.
Friday, September 1—70 cents.
Saturday, September 2—75c.
Sunday, September 3 and Monday, Sept 4 market closed.
Tuesday, September 5th—80 cents.
Wednesday, September 6—85 cents
Thursday ,September 7, the 5 cent limit was doubled making a ten cent limit. This put grain on the market as during the five previous days no grain was for sale. The market that day fluctuated and finally closed at a 2 cent advance.

It is estimated that only ten percent of the Kent County Crop remains unsold.

Friday—Price went off 2 cents making 83c a bushel.

**Corn**

The price of old corn advanced during that period from 43 cents on September 1st to 70 cents on September 7th.

Futures on new corn were selling at 65 cents. There is no new corn on the market as yet.

**Tomatoes**

Tomatoes on the local market held the price of 18c and 19c during the week until Friday when the price advanced to 23 cents.

## Body Of Young Man Washed Ashore at Betterton

The body of Joseph W. Taylor, 21 years old of Wilmington, was found on the shore near Betterton Wednesday morning. The young man was drowned Sunday morning where he fell from a yacht at the mouth of the Elk River. He was within a few feet of a life preserver, which his companions threw to him, when he sank below the surface.

## Frank Jarman Post To Meet Next Wednesday

A meeting of the Frank M. Jarman Post, American Legion, will be held at headquarters next Wednesday, September 13th, at which time several matters of importance will be taken up.

This will be the first fall meeting following the summer recess.

## COON DOG FIELD TRIALS TOMORROW NEAR CECILTON

*$125..00 Quaranteed Purse For Final Tree And Line*

The Eastern Shore Coon Hunters Association will hold its annual fall fields trials tomorrow Sunday on the Carpenter Farm near Cecilton.

The Carpenter farm, which is located near the Sassafras River, is considered an ideal location for the trials due to the lay of the land which enables spectators to see the dogs during practically the entire chase.

The association has advertised a guarantee purse of $125, which includes $75.00 for 1st tree dog in finals; $35.00 for 1st line dog in finals and $15.00 for last line dog in finals.

In addition to the regular trials there will be a consolation race and a race whereby the dogs are handled entirely by ladies.

In the trials on the Carpenter Farm last May there were 116 dogs entered and tomorrow's trials are expected to draw entries from many of the States in the eastern part of the country.

## ROCK HALL YACHT CLUB REELECTS J. P. COPPERWAITHE

*Other Officers Elected For Coming Year*

At the annual election of officers of the Rock Hall Yacht Club on Friday evening of last week, Mr. James P. Copperwaithe was re-elected Commodore for the coming year. Other officers elected were:

Lowery Harrison, Vice Commodore.

Norbert Nitch, Jr., Rear Commodore.

T. Alan Stradley, Secretary.

John Harman, Treasurer.

Those elected to the Board of Governors were, in addition to the above named officers, John DeCoursey, Arthur Prettyman, Harvey Brice, Paul Noble, Alonza Hubbard and Albert Strong.

This club has purchased a property near the mouth of Lankford Bay and will occupy this in the near future. It contains a house and several acres of land. It is understood activities at the new location will continue throughout the fall and winter months.

## ROCK HALL-UPTOWN SOFT BALL GAME

Action picture snapped during game Sunday, the result of which made a tie in the American League. Carl Porter, of Chestertown at bat; Jesse Jones, of Rock Hall behind the bat.

## UPTOWN DEFEATS ROCK HALL TO TIE AMERICAN LEAGUE

*Play off Scheduled For Next Thursday Night*

As a result of the postponed game between Rock Hall and Uptown, which was played last Sunday and won by Uptown 5 to 3, the American League ended in a tie between these two teams. A play off game is scheduled for next Thursday evening to determine which team will play Millington in the little world's series. Millington in the little world's series. Millington is the undisputed series winner in the National League. The game next Thursday will be played under lights at Tolchester as although the resort is closed, that company has left the lights in place until the playoff is completed.

## Local Golfers To Play Cambridge Today

The golf team of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club will play the team of the Cambridge club tomorrow afternoon on the local course.

The Chestertown team won a one sided victory over Cambridge at Cambridge earlier in the season.

## BAND MEMBERS RECEIVE MEDALS AT CONCERT TUESDAY

Left to right—John Carroll Loller, most improved bandsman; Jesse Downey, best attendance; Waters Russell McMenamin, most cooperative bandsman. Mr. W. G. Smyth presented the awards.

## P. W. A. MAKES 2ND PAYMENT ON NEW SEWERAGE PLANT

*Final Inspection Of Plant Expected Next Week*

Col. M. E. Gilmore, Regional Director of the Public Works Administration has notified E. R. Winkler, Jr., P. W. A. Resident Engineer, that a second payment on the $31,647.00 grant has been forwarded to the town officials. This payment of $8,857.95 will make a total of $24,614.45 paid to date and leaves a balance of $7,032.55 to be paid at the completion of the project.

The Sewage Disposal Plant is now about 98% completed. Sewage is being pumped out 300 ft. to the river at the Treatment Plant from Cannon Street in order to test the Pumps.

It is expected that the entire plant will be ready for service on September 15, 1939.

This week the pumping station at Cannon Street was put into service and the sewerage on that street was pumped to the plant where it has been by-passed through the 300 foot line out into Chester river. This is merely for test purposes and as soon as the Maple Avenue man-holes are completed and pumps are working at the plant the entire system will be cut in which is expected to be the 15th of this month.

## Fairlee Group Entertains Soft Ball Team

The parents and friends of members of the Fairlee soft ball team entertained the team at a fried chicken dinner at Camp Cardinal Thursday night.

Camp Cardinal is located on the bay shore of the farm of Mr. Albert Groves. Supper was served to 45 people and among the guests was Mr. Earl Cooper, president of the soft ball league.

## EASTERN SHORE FAIR TO OPEN AT CENTREVILLE MON.

*Races, Horse Show and Many Exhibits In Three Day Affair*

The Eastern Shore Fair to be held at the Race Track, one mile south of Centreville, is ready to open its gates to the public on Monday, September 11th. All this week a large group of men wil be working day and night to have the tent city ready to receive the exhibits, which will begin to arrive Friday September 8th from eight states, to compete for the $5800 in premium money.

Governor Herbert R. O'Conor has wired the Executive Committee that he is making every effort to attend the Fair on Wednesday, September 13th, which day has been designated as Farm Bureau Day.

For the past month work preparing the grounds has been under way and all arrangements have been made to efficiently handle the largest crowd, which has ever gathered on the Shore.

Ample free parking arrangements have been made for the parking for 5,000 cars each day adjoining the grounds. There will, also, be a limited number of reserved parking spaces inside the grounds, for which a small charge will be made.

In addition to the twelve large tents which will house the livestock there will be two tents operated by the Centreville Woman's Club as restaurants and one tent, which will be designated as Farm Bureau Tent, which wil be opened at all times. Many of the exhibitors of agricultural machinery are housing their exhibits in tents in the exhibit area. This section should be of great iuterest to our farming community.

The Fair will open with the 4-H Club and F. F. A. Classes, Suffolk Horse exhibition and Hereford cattle on Monday morning. Monday afternoon, Holstein Cattle, Belgian Horses and 4-H Club will constitute the judging schedule. At 1.30 the first of the three trotting races, scheduled for that day, will begin.

Tuesday will be devoted entirely to the judging of Guernsey, Aberdeen Angus and Percheron Horses.

Wednesday morning and afternoon will be devoted to Jersey Cattle and Farm and Mule Teams. In the afternoon the Eastern Shore Championship Pulling Contest, using the University of Maryland's streamlined dynamometer will be held. At 1.30 the first of the three Trotting Races will begin.

On Thursday the Horse Show will be the feature of the day. Many innovations have been made this year, the most striking of which will be the outside course of ten jumps, to negotiate which the horses will have to gallop nearly a half mile.

On Monday and Tuesday the band of the Sudlersville Volunteer Firemen's Department will provide music in the band stand from one until five o'clock. On Wednesday the Chestertown Band will play and on Thursday the Denton Volunteer Firemen's Band will provide the music.

The Fair will end each evening with a parade of the prize winning livestock at 5 p. m.

## Petition Bulkhead At Cliffs

A petition was circulated this week for signers which requested the County Commissioners to construct a bulkhead at the public landing at Cliffs wharf to prevent erosion.

The petition stated that at places as much as 20 feet of land had been washed away.

## MEDALS AWARDED TO MEMBERS OF FIRE CO. BAND

*Final Out-Door Concert Held Tuesday*

The final concert of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Co. Band was held in the park in Chestertown Tuesday evening. The band appeared in the new summer uniforms, which with the brass buttons, gold braid and hat decorations made a very striking appearance.

Following the concert, Dr. Frederick G. Livingood spoke on the subject "music" which was followed by the presentation of medals as follows:

Best attendance at rehearsals—Jesse Downey.

Most improved bandsman—John Carroll Loller.

Most cooperative bandsman—Waters Russell McMenamin.

Mr. W. H. Elliott was awarded a beautiful masonic emblem which was donated by the band members in appreciation of his activities in behalf of the band.

Mr. Philip Sewell was a guest soloist during the concert program.

## DREDGING WORK STARTED AT ROCK HALL HARBOR

*Will Be Completed In Four Weeks*

From present indications the improvement at Rock Hall harbor will be completed in the early part of October. The dredging of the channel and yacht basin was started Monday morning after dykes to hold the mud were thrown up last week.

This is the last step in the Federal project which has been held up since last summer due to legal technicalities. When completed it will afford one of the best harbors in the upper part of the bay for work boats and pleasure craft.

Rock Hall harbor has been a haven for bay craft since early colonial days and was the eastern terminus for the old packet line which was used on numerous occasions by George Washington on his trips to Philadelphia.

The Eastern Shore road from Rock Hall to Philadelphia was preferred to the Western Shore road due to the hills on the latter roads.

## 2850 BOYS AND GIRLS RETURN TO SCHOOL THIS WEEK

*1850 White and 1000 Colored Children Enrolled*

Approximately 2850 Kent County boys and girls entered public schools on Wednesday of this week which marks the opening of the 1939-1940 school term.

The approximate enrollment is—White High Schools 500; White Elementary Schools 1350;Colored High Schools 200; colored Elementary Schools 800.

Of the 500 white high school pupils 300 are enrolled at the Chestertown High School.

**'Dying' Race Increasing**

**Full-blooded aborigines in Australia, believed to be a dying race, have increased from 49,376 to 52,835 in 11 years, according to a census recently completed.**