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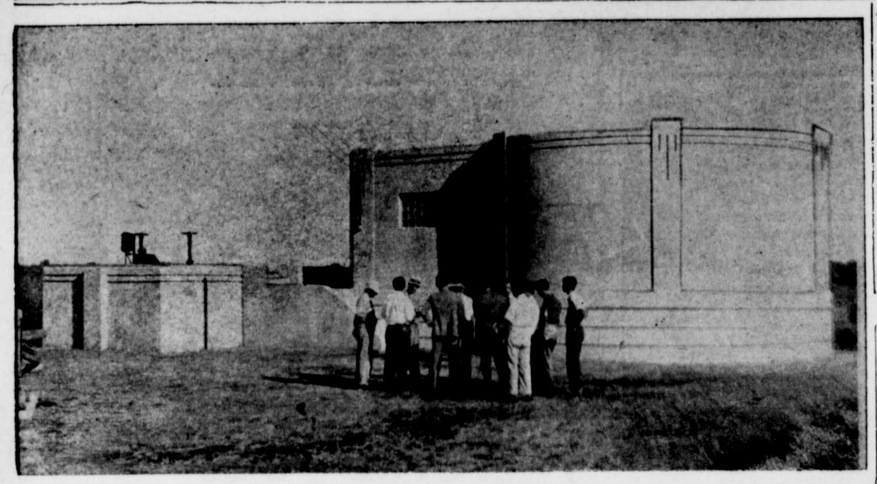

Pictured is a group of engineers and town officials making final inspection of Chestertown's New Sewerage Plant located at Radcliffe Creek.

FINAL INSPECTION MADE THIS WEEK OF SEWERAGE PLANT

New Disposal System Now In Operation

Chestertown's new sewerage disposal system was put into operation on Friday following a final inspection made by engineers Thursday afternoon.

All sewerage from Chestertown is now going to the plant near Radcliffe Creek with the exception of some of the homes on Front Street which have not yet been connected.

With reference to these homes the Mayor and Council have issued a request that these connections be made as soon as possible and also residents refrain from throwing garbage and trash into the river. Cooperation along this line will keep the river waters at Chestertown clean and healthy. An adequate garbage and trash collecting system is maintained by the town.

While all sewerage is now going to the plant it is being by-passed out into the channel through an 810 ft. pipe pending the installation of treating chemicals at the plant.

The inspection this week was made by Mayor Wilmer, Councilman R. H. Rogers and Engineer J. Brown Metcalfe, representing the town; E. R. Winkler, P. W. A. Engineer; Norman Kinney and Roy Ritter, representing the consulting engineers; Frank Verdi the contractor and E. W. Vandyke, a sub-contractor.

As a result of the inspection it was decided to raise the road approach to the plant and construct a fence across the entrance as a safety measure.

J. B. WHITWORTH BUYS TWO EASTERN SHORE GAS PLANTS

Includes Utilities In Five Towns

Mr. J. B. Whitworth, of Chestertown, this week completed the purchase of the Sussex Gas Company and the Citizens Gas Company, both located in the lower part of the Eastern Shore.

The Sussex Gas Company includes the utilities in the towns of Bridgeville, Seaford and Laurel while the Citizens Gas Company includes the towns of Salisbury and Delmar.

Mr. Whitworth, who has been in the utility business for a number of years, purchased the Collins property in Quaker Neck and moved here with his family from California. His son, Jack Whitworth, who is now employed in Chicago, will be connected with the newly purchased Eastern Shore utilities.

HOSIERY PLANT GETS LEARNERS PERMIT

The Chestertown Hosiery Plant was issued a certificate from Administrator Andrews this week whereby a learners wage of 25 cents an hour is permitted for a period of 480 hours. Two additional periods of 480 hours each are allowed whereby the minimum wage is 30c and 35c.

The skilled wage minimum of 40c an hour goes into effect September 8.

Fairlee Methodist Church
10 a. m. Church School hour, Mr. James Foreman, Supt. 11 a. m. preaching hour. Epworth League at 7.30 p. m.
Worton Methodist Church
O. T. Baynard, Minister.
1.30 p. m. Sunday School, Mr. B. F. Rash, Supt. 2.30 p. m. preaching by pastor.
Piney Neck Methodist Church
O. T. Baynard, minister.
10.30 a. m. preaching by Dr. Walter A. Hearn, District Supt. 2 p. m. Church School, Supt. Mr. Merle Taylor. 7.30 p. m. preaching by Rev. E. L. Wright, ex-pastor.

Warns Local Boat Owners Be Alert For Suspicious Crafts

The fact that there is a war going on in Europe and also that the United States military forces are watching costal waters closely, was brought home on Friday.

Commodore William S. Collins of the Chester River Yacht and Country Club received a letter from the United States Coast Guard requesting all boat owners be alert for any suspicious movements or operations of vessels in this locality and notify the Coast Guard immediately of any such movement.

Clerk of the Court Robert A. Schallcross was notified by The State Department that no passports were to be issued for visits to European Countries now at war and that all existing passports are void unless approved by the State Department.

Pictured at top is the team of Mr. Hodge Coleman which took top honors in its class for pulling at the Centreville Fair. George Debnam's mule team took 2nd place. Below is pictured Mr. Howard Leaverton with his grand champion bull which took honors at the Centreville Fair.

TEN YEAR OLD BOY FOUND DROWNED AT FREDERICKTOWN

Was Son Of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith

Little ten year old Irvin F. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Smith, was found drowned Wednesday evening following a 24 hour search after he disappeared from his home Tuesday evening.

Mr. Smith, the boy's father, was formerly a Kent County farmer and at times was employed on the State roads. He was appointed day bridge keeper at the Georgetown bridge a few weeks ago.

When the boy did not return home Tuesday evening a search was started. He was last seen on the bridge and searching parties started dragging the river. His body was found near the Cecil County shore below the bridge and it is thought that he fell from the bridge or from the wharf. Sheriff Robert E. Lee and the Sheriff of Cecil County aided in the search for his body. Besides his parents he is survived by one brother.

Funeral services will be held today, Saturday afternoon from his late home at 2 p. m. Interment will be in Chester Cemetery. B. R. Fellows in charge of funeral arrangements.

PLANS MADE FOR JOINT METHODIST CONFERENCE

Successor Conference To Be Held At Salisbury Oct. 31st

Methodist leaders of two Delaware and nine Eastern Shore of Maryland counties meet at the Wesley Methodist Church, Dover, Del., on Friday, to make plans for the first Peninsula Conference of United Methodism.

Representatives of three former conferences existing formerly on the Delaware-Maryland Peninsula were: the Rev. E. A. Sexsmith, Baltimore, president of the Maryland Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church; the Rev. W. E. Gunby, of Wilmington, and the Rev. Walter Hearne, Dover, of the Wilmington Methodist Episcopal Conference, and the Rev. Roland P. Raddick, and the Rev .J. J. Bunting, superintendent of the Eastern Shore district, Methodist Episcopal Church South, both of Salisbury.

To Receive Reports

The conference heard reports of committees on problems confronting the churches in coming into a single conference, in addition to laying the groundwork for the projected united conference here on October 31 and November 1.

The two Eastern Shore of Virginia counties remain in the Virginia conference necessitating a change of boundaries for the Methodist Episcopal Church South. The Eastern Shore district parsonage of that conference, now in Salisbury, must be replaced by one in Virginia.

Dr. W. P. Roberts, of Chestertown, chairman of the committee on Distribution of Superannuale Funds and Mr. Charles N. Satterfield, a member of the committee on Districts, attended from Chestertown.

The action of the committees on Friday will be submitted for approval at the Successor Conference to be held at Salisbury on October 31st which will join together the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Church South into one conference.

Under present plans the new conference will have no effect upon the churches of Kent County except from an administrative standpoint.

Pictured is Betty Mae Walls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Walls holding Doc Lou who won top honors at trials held last Sunday. There is a lot of pride in Dou Lou's appearance

2 CHANGES MADE IN POLICE FORCE OF CHESTERTOWN

Four New Street Lights To Be Installed For Tests

The Mayor and Council of Chestertown, in session Monday night, approved the action of Mayor Wilmer in making two replacements on the Chestertown police force.

Mr. Howard Hadaway, Jr., was appointed to replace Mr. William White as special office in the uptown section on Saturday and Sunday nights.

Mr. J. Medford Larrimore was appointed as special officer on Cannon Street to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Walter T. Bennett.

Medford Capel Named Sewerage Engineer

Mr. Medford Capel, engineer for the Chestertown water works was appointed sewerage engineer by the Council. Mr. Capel is familar with the construction of the plant and the pumping mechanism. His new duties will be in conjunction with his present position.

Test Lights To Be Installed

Four test lights of the most modern street lighting design will be located at various points in Chestertown. These lights are supposed to provide better light and fewer are required than the present system. If they prove satisfactory they will replace the present system by installing a few each year. Present plans are to install these lights at the corner of Maple Avenue and Queen Street, midway on Front Street between Maple Ave., and High Street, at the corner of High and Court Street and at the Corner of High and Mill Street.

Action on the new sidewalk on Spring Avenue from the Arch to Calvert Street was deferred awaiting plans from Mr. Thomas Eliason.

At the meeting on Monday all bills against the Mayor and Council were ordered paid. This conforms with the policy of operating on a cash basis.

131 DOGS COMPETE IN FIELD TRIALS LAST SUNDAY

Doc Lou Wins $133 In Prizes For Top Honors

With a large crowd and 131 dogs in competition, the annual fall field trials of the Eastern Shore Coon Hunters Association at the Carpenter Farm near Cecilton last Sunday was declared a complete success.

Mr. Edgar Walls, president of the Association, and recognized coon dog king of Kent County, was busily engaged in managing the trials and unable to handle his dogs. In order to have his dogs entered he auctioned them off for use during the trials and the price paid ranged from 25c to $8. Doc Lou was knocked down to Charles Barnes, of Glenmore, Pa., who won $133.26 with him in prize money.

Seventeen dogs were entered in the special event in which the trial led the dogs across the creek twice. This event was very popular with the spectators.

The winners in the various events were:

Consolation Race—Tree, Texas Ranger owned by A. Curren, of New Jersey. Line, Bobby owned by Edgar Walls.

Ladies Race—Tree, Bobby entered by Mrs. Mamie Hines of Earleville. Line, Line entered by Miss Mary Wood, of Essex, Md.

Tree Final—Doc Lou, owned by Edgar Walls and entered by Charles Barnes.

1st Line Finals—Indigo Bob, owned by H. Steffe.

Last Line Dog In Finals—Beaver Creek Bills owned by Beaver Creek Kennels.

Special Race for Night Hunting Dogs—Doc Lou won both line and tree.

Fox Race—1st line, Lead owned by Edgar Walls. 2nd line, Midnight Sailor owned by R. Boyce, of S. River, New Jersey.

The tree and line winers in the various elimination races were:

Buck, St. Nick, Fool The Fool and Turk owned by Bock and Hickline, of Hellertown, Pa.

Indian Red and Little Jack, owned of R. Boyce of S. River, N. J.

Ranger, owned by Bob Hoffett, of Hellertown, Pa.

Indigo Bob, owned by H. Steffe, of Reading, Pa.

Doc Lou, owned by E. Walls, Millington.

Blue Jim and Blue Boy, owned by Stony Kenels, Wilmington, Del.

Capt. Jack, owned by M. Nutter, Newark, Del.

WHEAT INSURANCE NOW AVAILABLE TO KENT FARMERS

Policies Must Be Taken Out Before Seeding

Kent farmers have until September 30 to take out "all-risk" wheat crop insurance. Applications must be made for insurance before wheat is seeded. The securing of insurance is simple—the applicant states the number of acres to be seeded—signs the application and pays the premium by cash or by assignment of a portion of his first 1940 ACP check. Application may be made to the local ACP Supervisor or at County Agent's office. Every wheat grower has been notified of his wheat allotment and the number of bushels of yield he may have guaranteed under the insurance policy.

Last year 178 policies were in effect in Kent. Forty-five secured adjustments due to the yield being less than the guarantees.

Premiums are figured in bushels and the amount of premium is determined by the price of No. 2 garlicky soft winter wheat on the day the application is made.

A decided increase in numbers of policies in Kent are expected to be made this year—since quite a nnmber who did not have protection experienced losses which insurance would have prevented.

Meetings have been held at Massey, Kennedyville, Rock Hall and Chestertown to explain the plan.

LEGION POST INSTALLED NEW OFFICERS WED.

Crab Feast For Legion Members Next Friday Evening

The newly elected officers of the Frank M. Jarman Post, American Legion, were officially installed by Rev. Carr, of Elkton, District Commander of the North Eastern Shore District Wednesday evening.

The officers installed were:

Commander, William Newnam.

1st Vice Commander, Harry Jarman.

2nd Vice Commander, Charles Jester.

Treasurer, C. Lee Gill.

Adjutant, Colonel I. Price Ewing, Colonel Ewing was appointed Adjutant by the Executive Committee following the resignation of Ernest H. Strong.

Sargeant At Arms, Elmer Batchelor.

Historian, Jesse Maxwell.

Service Officer, Raymond Wilkins.

Color Bearers, Eli Elliott and Harvey Blyman.

The post is planning to hold a crab roast at headquarters on Queen Street, Friday evening of next week, Sept. 22nd. The crab roast is for Legion Members and also other ex-service men.

The local post now has a membership of 60 ex-service men and is active in State Legion affairs.

UPTOWN WINS AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Little World Series Next Week

Uptown won the undisputed championship of the Kent County American Soft Ball League Thursday night by defeating Rock Hall 5 to 1 in a play off game that was necessary in order to break a tie between these two teams.

When the league season closed Rock Hall led uptown by one game with a postponed game to be played. Uptown was victorious in this postponed game played last week creating a tie in the league.

Millington-Uptown Series Next Week

According to an announcement by Mr. Earl Cooper, President of the Kent County Soft Ball League, arrangements have been made for the Kent County Little World Series to be played at Tolchester next week, between Millington, winner of the National League and Uptown, winner of the American League.

Next week's play includes three games of the five game series and games are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights, starting at 8 p. m. The winner of 3 out of 5 will be declared Kent County Champions.

Paul Bowman is captain of the Millington team and Lambert Kirby, of Upt own. Followers of the games state that the two teams are evenly matched and the series is of county wide interest.

DISTRICT SUPT. TO PREACH AT ROCK HALL CHURCH SUN.

Peninsula Group To Meet Next Week

The Rev. Dr. Walter A. Hearn the District Superintendent of the Dover District of the Methodist Church will be the speaker in the Rock Hall Methodist Church Sunday evening at 7.30. On Thursday evening, September 21 at 7.30 p. m. The Delmarva Commission of the Council of churches and Christian Education of Maryland and Delaware, will hold a Local Church Conference on Cooperative Christianity, in this church. The Official Board, Church School Teachers and Officers, Youth organizations, and all other interested persons are invited to attend. The Leader of this occasion will be The Reverend Lawrence E. Wimbrow, a member of the Commission and Registrar of the Peninsular Conference.

LOCAL GROUPS NAMED TO HANDLE STATE P. T. A. CONV.

State Convention To Be Held Here Nov. 14, 15, 16

At a meeting held at the home of Mrs. William H. Payne on Wednesday of this week, preliminary arrangements were made for the annual convention of the State Parent-Teachers Association which will be held at Chestertown on November 14th, 15th and 16th.

Among those present at the meeting were: Mrs. Guy R. Clements, of Annapolis, President and Mrs. Milton D. Moore, of Hagerstown, First Vice President of the Maryland Congress of Parents-Teachers Associations; Mrs. Edmund H. Skirven, general State Chairman, Mrs. S. Holt Wright, vice State Chairman.

Mr. Louis C. Robinson, Supt. of Schools and Miss Estha V. Harrison, superivisor of elementary schools.

Committees named make arrangements for the convention were:

Official hostess—Dr. Esther M. Dole.

Publicity Committee—Mrs. Harry S. Russell, chairman, Mrs. George E. Neal, Mrs. J. P. Cowperwaite and Mrs. Frederick C. Berg.

Hospitality and Reservation—Mrs. Elmer Thomas, Chairman; Mrs. P. M. Brooks, Mrs. Claude Truslow, Mrs. Bertha Newcomb, Mrs. Paul Stokes.

Registration—Mrs. Rolph Townshend, chairman, Mrs. Brown Metcalfe.

Decorations and Processional—Mrs. Raymond Hudson, chairman, Mr. John C. Sutton, Mrs. Irving Brown and Mr. C. Lee Gill.

Chairman of Banquet—Mrs. W. H. Payne, chairman, Mrs. E. L. Pyle, Mrs. Arthur Cooper. The banquet will be held at the fire house and served by the Ladies Auxiliary.