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Pratt Library Mulberry & Cathedral

330 Dairymen Gather At Annual Meeting

Three hundred and thirty dairymen and their wives assembled at the fire house, Chestertown on Tuesday evening for the annual banquet of the Inter-State Milk Cooperative.

Following a turkey dinner, served by the Ladies Auxiliary of the hospital, Mr. H. S. Startt, who acted as toastmaster, kept those assembled in a jovial mood during the program with his unusual presiding ability.

The first speaker of the evening was Mr. O. H. Hoffman, Jr., general manager of the Inter State Milk Cooperative who emphasized the need of a strong organization among the producers in view of the fact that the milk companies, the employees and the consumers are all thoroughly organized and are out for their share. He advocated the settlement of differences between the various agencies through cooperation rather than by continually fighting, and said that the success of the cooperative depended upon breaking down sectionalism in the organization where there is a tendnecy for dairymen from the various sections to oppose each other when they should be working for one common aim. He advised dairymen to approach 1940 with care and uncertainty and not to expect any substantial benefit from the European War. He predicted that within the next ten years, dairymen who endeavor to improve their herd and the quality of their milk will survive as milk from other sections is knocking at the door of the Philadelphia market. He cited instances where dairymen have gone forward by eliminating all but the best producers from their herds.

Mr. Henderson Supplee, president of the Suppleee-Willis-Jones Milk Company, stated that through pasteurization and other improvements in milk, and water supply infant mortality had been greatly reduced. He said that his company is conducting a year's experiment with harmogenized milk which is a process that makes a soft curd product and it is hoped will replace many of the special diets now recommended for babies. It is thought that this new process will also enable adults to drink milk who have been unable to use the present product.

In speaking of the ditsribution of milk, he said that only 38 per cent is sold as milk. The Supplee-Wills-Jones Company paid shippers of the Worton Milk Station $424,000 last year. Of every dollar paid by the consumer 46.8 cents goes to the farmer, 27.5 cents to employees of the milk company, 5.7 cents to buildings and equipment, 5.5 cents to supplies, 2.9 cents for taxes, 2.5 cents for transportation, 2.4 cents for bottles and containers, 2 cents for advertising, .9 cents to miscellaneous, .5 cents to salaries, and 3.3 to the distributing company.

Mrs. Hester B. Provensen, assistant professor of public speaking at the University of Maryland, gave a very interesting talk on "Fundamentals."

WASHINGTON MILK SHIPPERS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

Milk Reported Best Received In That City

The organization made up of those producers in Kent, Queen Anne's and Talbot Counties who ship to the Washington, D. C., milk market held their annual meeting on January 17, 1940, in the County Office Building at Centreville.

The reports of the various committees were read and Floyd G. Schaefer, the President of the Cooperative, reviewed the activities for the year and the progress made by the organization as a whole and its members individually.

One point brought to the attention of the meeting was the fact that the Washington dairy receiving all this milk stated that it was the best quality milk that it has ever had shipped in to it. That statement is proven by the fact that for the last few months twenty-five out of the total of thirty members of the Cooperative have been on the honor or prize roll issued by the dairy listing the producers shiping milk having a bacteria count of 5000 or under. When one considers that a 10,000 count is permitted for certified milk one can appreciate the fine type of milk produced by these farms.

The terms of the expiring directors were extended by the unanimous vote of the stockholder members, the board consisting of Floyd G. Schaefer, Timberneck Farm, Easton, Md., President; Guy E. Harmon, Blakeford Farms, Inc., Queenstown, Md., Vice President; George R. Debnam, III, Driftwood Farm, Rock Hall, Md., Secretary-Treasurer; Leon A. Andrus, Cheston-on-Wye, Queenstown, Md.; Allan B. Lane, Spencer's Landing Farm, Centreville, Md.; and B. E. Walace, Quaker Neck, Chestertown, Md.

Picture taken at dairy meeting at Fire House Tuesday night.

NEW OFFICERS FOR CHESTER LODGE

The following officers were installe dby the Chester Masonic Lodge Thursday night:

Wm. Burgess Schrieber, Worshipful Master; Burton K. Vansant, Senior Warden; Harry Earl Cooper, Junior Warden; Wm. A. Wheatley, Secretary; J .H. Sides, Treas.; Harry W. Fallowfield, Jr., Senior Deacon; Granvil Cecil Crouch, Junior Deacon; Garrett Chairs, Senior Steward; H. L. Kauffman, Jr. Steward; Wm. R. Howell, Chaplain; J. Arthur Cooper, Tyler.

Pheasant Kills Snake

State highway patrolmen noticed a pheasant hopping about excitedly alongside the road north of Scottsbluff, Mont. Investigating, they discovered the bird had killed a giant bull snake by pecking its neck full of holes.

DEATHS REPORTED DURING THIS WEEK

Harry Joiner

Harry Joiner, night watchman at Washington College for the past 13 years, died suddenly of a heart attack on Thursday, January 18 while on a visit at the home of his son, Reuben Joiner, in Easton.

Funeral service will be held at the Spence Funeral Parlors in Easton, on Sunday at 1.30 p. m. followed by the interment in Chester Cemetery at 3.15 p. m.

He is survived by two brothers, Robert Joiner, of Chestertown, Arthur Joiner, of Wilmington, and one sister, Mrs. Maude Workman, of Wilmington, Del.

Florence Shepherd

Miss Florence Shepherd, aged 68 years, died on Wednesdoay at the home of her sister, Mrs. Romie Byron, near Chestertown, following a lingering illness.

Funeral services which will be held on Sunday at 5 p. m. at the Byron home, will be conducted by Rev. W. P. Roberts and Rev. Melvin Kay.

The bearers will be: Messrs. Harry Nichols, Walter U. Lusby, D. B. Ford, George Hendrickson, Frank Shinn and Linwood Sutton. Interment will be in Chester cemetery.

Miss Shepherd is survived by her sister, Mrs. Romie Byron and a brother, Robert Shepherd, of Philadelphia.

Ralph H. Usilton, Inc., is in charge of funeral arrangements.

John T. Redmond

John Thomas Redmond, aged 51, died on January 14 at the United States Marine Hospital in Baltimore. After an illness of 8 weeks. Mr. Redmond is survived by one sister, Mrs. Bessie Moody, of Philadelphia and three brothers, Walter Redmond and Harry Redmond, of Middletown, Del., and Benj. Redmond, of Wilmington, Del.

Mr. Redmond served in the U. S. Army during the World War and since then, has followed the trade of carpentry in Millington.

The bearers were: David K. Felton, R. M. Logan, C. L. Hollett, John Hollett, Sidney Dixon and James Jones.

Funeral serivces which were held from the William R. Good Funeral Home in Millington, were conducted by the Rev. A. T. McFarland. Interment was in Millington cemetery.

Joseph H. Berg

Joseph Harlvor Berg, aged 80 years died at the Easton Hospital on Friday, January 20.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mae Berg, of Chestertown, two daughters and one son in California, one brother in North Dakota.

Funeral arrangements had not been made at the time of going to press Ralph H. Usilton, Inc., is in charge.

Until his recent illness, Mr. Berg conducted a coal business in Chestertown.

Jennie Reed

On January 16, Mrs. Jennie Reed, wife of the late William H. Reed, died in Baltimore. Services were held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Bramble, 1722 W. Pratt St., on Friday evening with interment on Saturday at 12 noon in Old St. Paul's Cemetery, here.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Bertie Crouch, of Chestertown.

George W. Duyer

George W. Duyer, born January 1st, 1858, passed away on Jan. 15, 1940, at his late home in Chesterville. In his early life he was a farmer of Kent County and has lived in Chesterville since 1919.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, one daughter, John T. Duyer, of near Chesterville; Geo. H. Duyer, of Chester, Pa.; and Mary D. Messick, of Chesterville.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2 p. m. from his late home. Interment Chester Cemetery. The Fellows Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

The bearers were: Messrs. Clarence Morris, Thos. A. Conner, D. W. Hill, Edgar Pennington, Wilson Bedwell, Leonard Durham. Rev. Rude, officiated.

C. LEE GILL GETS SCOUT SILVER BEAVER AWARD

Dr. Gilbert W. Mead Named Vice President Of Wilmington Area

The Silver Beaver Award of the Del-Mar-Va Council, Boy Scouts of America, was presented to John W. Noble, of Preston, Maryland; C. Lee Gill, of Chestertown, Maryland; and George F. Sampson, of Wilmington, Delaware; at the Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Del-Mar-Va Council, Boy Scouts of America, at the Hotel DuPont, Wilmington, Tuesday, January 16. A record-breaking attendance of nearly three hundred people heard Thomas J. Keane, National Director of Senior Scouting, speak on "Scouting—Bulwark of Democracy", and saw the March of Time moving picture, "Young America," which was introduced by Westbrook Van Voorhis in person, the voice of the March of Time.

Twenty-year Veteran Badges were presented to Arthur B. Eastman of Newark, Delaware; and Edward R. Mack, Superintendent of Parks, Wilmington, Del. Charles H. Gant, of Wilmington was re-elected President Gilbert W. Mead, President of Washington College, and Frank C. Evans, of Wilmington, were elected Vice-President. Re-elections included Governor Richard C. McMullen, Chairman of the Board; J. Thompson Brown and J. Edgar Rhoads of Wilmington; William B. Tilghman, Jr., of Salisbury, and J. Wallace Woodford, Dover, Vice-President; Garick Mallery, Jr., Scout Commissioner; Harold G. Irons, Treasurer; Walter Blackson, Lammot duPont, Jr., and Edwin C. Huber of Wilmington, and William B. Tilghman, Jr., Salisbury, Representatives to the National Council.

President Gant reported that membership of the Del-Mar-Va Council had continued to grow in 1939 and illustrated his report with thirty-two miniature flags, placed on the Head Table by a parade of Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Cubs, to represent five new Delaware and four new Maryland Sea Scout Units, sixteen new Delaware, four new Maryland and four transferred Virginia Troops, and one new Delaware and two new Maryland Cub Packs organized in 1939.

In presenting the award the following was said of Mr. Gill:

Busines man, community-minded citizen, friend of youth. For the past ten years Chairman of the Committee of Chestertown Troop 130; three years District Commissioner for Kent County, Maryland. Father of a Sea Scout, a Scout, and a Girl Scout. Member of Christ Methodist Church of Chestertown. Served with the 26th Division and French forces during the World War. Helped organize the Frank M. Jarman Post, American Legion, served as its Commander, and as a member of the Boy Scout Committee of the State Legion. He is a member and Past Master of Chester Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; member of Edenton Royal Arch Chapter, Denton; member of Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Eastern Shore Fire, Salisbury; member of Bouni Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Baltimore; member of Chestertown Fire Department. He has been the dynamic force behind Scouting in Kent County, awakening lagging Troops, promoting the growth of all phases of Scouting, including Cubbing and Sea Scouting, and Scouting for colored boys.

Among those who attended the meeting from Kent County in addition to Dr. Mead and Lee Gill, were J. Willis Wells, and John Eliason, Scoutmaster and Asst. Scoutmoster of troop 130; Dr. and Mrs. J. Earl Gilfillin and Frank Jarrel, of Galena; and John Gill, a member of the Chestertown Sea Scouts.

Total value of all crops produced in Maryland during 1939 is estimated at $43,506,000, or three percent more than the value of crops produced the year before. Total farm value for crops produced in the state in 1938 was $42,367,000.

KENT SCHOOL GIVE CHILDREN'S AID $43.47 IN PENNIES

Help Other Children Get Good Homes

The children in the Kent County Schools contributed a total of $43.47 to the under-privileged children of this County under the care of the Maryland Children's Aid Society. This money is used for the medical care and clothing of children placed in the Children's Aid Society foster homes. The agency takes care of children who are neglected, deserted or mistreated by their own parents and who have no relatives to offer them homes. The agency also investigates al cases of children who are reported to be in need of care and some plan is made either in their own homes or, if it is necessary, in a foster home which best fills the needs of the children. The foster homes are good, wholesome, normal homes where the children have real parents and have a chance to develop into normal, useful citizens. Every year the public school children give their contribution to this service through the Mile of Penny bags which helps take care of the Kent County children.

H. S. LEAVERTON RE-ELECTED PRES. OF FARM BUREAU

Banquet To Be Held Feb. 1

At the annual election of officers of the Kent County Farm Bureau Thursday evening, Mr. H. S. Leaverton was re-elected president, Mr. L. A. Sutton, vice president and Frank O. Sutton, secretary and treasurer.

At the meeting the date for the annual banquet was set for Thursday, February 1st at Fireman's Hall. Details of the program will be announced later.

Price—Raymond Wedding

Dr. and Mrs. J. Thomas Price, of Beach Haven Manor, East New Market, announces the marriage of their daughter, Barbara, to Mr. James Raymond, Jr., of Dover, Del., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Raymond of Dover and Washington, D. C.

The wedding took place 10 a. m. on January 1st, 1940, at Warrington, Va., The happy young couple will make their home in Dover, Delaware.

Dr. Price and his family lived in Kent County, where he was pastor of Still Pond and Betterton churches.

Picture taken as Dr. Dunning officially opened the new 80,000 Dunning Science building on Tuesday and turned the key over to Dr. Gilbert W. Mead, president of Washington College.

BIRTHDAY BALL TO BE CELEBRATED HERE JAN. 1ST

Henry Gill County Chairman

According to an announcement made Friday morning, the annual President's Birthday Ball for the benefit of the care and cure of infantile paralysis will be held at the Chestertown armory Wednesday, January 31st dancing 9 to 1.

Mr. Henry Gill has accepted the chairmanship of Kent County and Mr. H. R. Kaufman is dance chairman.

Half of the net proceds from the ball will be retained in Kent County and the other half goes to the national organization.

Music for the ball will be furnished by Lynn Cheezum's 7 piece orchestra.

The consumption of lumber in Maryland annually amounts to about 250,000,000 board feet. Only about 10 percent of this amount or 25,000,000 board feet is manufactured in the state, according to C. F. Winslow, forestry specialist for the University of Maryland Extension Service. Most recent figures show that the states of Washington and Oregon supply Maryland with about 80,000,000 board feet of lumber which is approximately 32 percent of our consumption.

First Three Cent Stamp

The first three-cent stamp was issued July 1, 1851, in honor of George Washington.

County Commissioners Set 1940 Tax Rate

The Commissioners of Kent County, on Tuesday of this week, set the 1940 tax rate for Kent County at $1.00 on the $100.00 assessment. This rate covers the levy for county expenses for the period from June 15th, 1940 to January 1, 1941 as provided in an act passed by the Maryland Legislature at the last regular session to make the tax year for the counties of Maryland conform with the calendar year and the State tax year.

In providing the levy for the six and a half months period, considerable difficulty was experienced in determining the county expenditures for that period as it has never before ben separated. In figuring these expenditures it was found that most of the large outlays are in the latter part of the year due to the fact that during those months the tax money is received.

For instance the $80,000 concrete road bond and the $10,00 slag road bonds are payable July 1st, together with the 6 months interest as well as the interest payment on the refunding bonds. Other extra expenses included during this six and a half months period include $5,000 payment to the fire companies of the county; $3,900 to incorporated towns and $7,000 for the election to be held next November and the interest on bonds due January 1st.

The routine expenditures, such as schools, salaries, maintenance of county roads, etc., were provided for on a fifty-five per cent basis. The levy does not include any additional expenses for the period of June 15th to January 1st and covers only those costs that have been proved to be necessary and which are provided for by law.

Taxpayers of Kent County have the satisfaction of looking forward to the tax rate to be declared next January for the year 1941, which although will cover a levy for 12 months, be reduced from previous tax rates due the final payment on the concrete road bonds of only $20,000. Receipts from the gasoline tax should provide for this payment as well as the $36,000 county road maintenance which has been levied for each year.

P. T. A. COUNCIL TO MEET AT C. H. S. JANUARY 25TH

Safety Chairman To Be Speaker

The Kent County Council of Parent Teacher Asociation groups will hold their winter quarterly meeting on Thursday, January 25th, at 7.30 p. m. in the Auditorium of the Chestertown High School.

A very interesting program is being planned by the committee in charge. Mr. Harry Dyer, Jr., of Havre de Grace, Safety Chairman of Maryland Congress of P. T. A. will be guest speaker. Dr. F. A. Whitsitt assisted by Mrs. Lumkin County Health Nurse will give a Health program. The High School Band and Glee Club will furnish the musical entertainment.

There are eleven P. T. A. groups in the county and it is hoped every one will be represented at this meeting. Th P. T. A. with the largest response at roll call will be given a prize for their school library.

ODDS AND ENDS FROM C. H. S.

(BY ELIZABETH DORSEY)

Have you always wanted to know more about sewing and handicraft? Well, at last here's your opportunity. Chestertown High School is going to have a night class in clothing and textile work under the supervision of Mrs. Comegys, our home economics instructer. These classes are open to anyone living in the county over sixteen years of age not attending a day school. There will be one class every week but as yet no definite date has been set. Instruction will be offered in the making, alteration, and renovation of simple garments as well as knitting, crocheting, rug making, applique work, and hemstitching. We hope you will plan to be here and bring your friends.

Bowling has been started again. The town bowling alley has been reserved for us on Tuesday afternoons. There will be many interesting intermural contests.

The Juniors have been talking about their prom but as yet we haven't heard any of their plans.

The P. T. A. meeting was held last night at the high school. The Freshmen Dramatic Club, under the supervision of Miss Bryan, gave a most amusing playlet. I marvel at the ingenuity of some of the members. I am referring to the pie pan footlights. It was a good job, Gram. Someone else had an excellent idea too, for there were cookies and lemonade.

The January meeting of the Chestertown High School P. T. A. was held on Tuesday, January 16. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Rollison Baxter, the president. The minutes were read by Miss Peacock.

Mrs. Elmer Thomas announced the first meeting for this year of the Kent County Council of the Parent-Teacher Association. This meeting will take place on January 25 at 7.30 p. m., in the Chestertown High School Auditorium. Besides delegates from the various P. T. A. organizations of the county all people interested are urged to attend the meeting. Safety and Health Education are to be featured in the program. The Chestertown High School Band and Glee Club are going to provide entertainment.

The program committee took charge for the rest of the evening. The Freshmen Dramatic Club presented a one act play under the dirrection of their club sponsor, Miss Marie D. Bryan.

Refreshments were served by Miss Louise Stevens's 100 girls; the meeting was adjourned after the singing of "America".

The 1B Homeroom again won the prize for having the largest representation of parents and pupils at the meeting. Of course these youngsters like to win; but in order to prevent their becomnig complacement, can't they have a little competition?

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Morris L. Clothier to O. Lee Towson, Jr., 258 acres and 175 acres in Second District.

Miller-Nelson, Inc., to Francis A. Quigley, Jr., property at Kentmore Park.

Katherine M. Brown to George and Ella Gordon to Annie Towsend ½ acre in Second District.

MILLINGTON HIGH ORGANIZES CLUBS

Students Active In Various Endeavors

This winter Millington High has organized a number of clubs and we wan to bring you a brief report of our first meetings.

The Current Event Club elected Grover Robbins president and Dave Reymour as secretary. At present, the club is busy learning about the recent world events and the effect they will have upon our own nation.

The Etiquette Club has san unusually large membership. Mildred Edwards is president and Betty Hollett, secretary. We have made our motto: "What to do, and how to do it."

Two more favorites are the music and dancing clubs. In the first, Mary Semans is president and Wavy Puckett, secretary, while in the second, the officers aer as follows: Harry Vansant, president; Virginia Everett, secretary and Bessie Moore, treasurer. The aims of these are to improve our for mand manners of dancing and to learn how to play instruments.

Probably the club appealing to the girls is Home Economics. With Genevieve Bramble as our president and Helen Burris as secretary, we hope to learn a great deal as well as have a jolly time sewing and cooking. The first enterprise is to make aprons for ourselves.

The Camera Club hopes to take much better pictures by conscientously studying the correct technique. It's president is Pratt Vansant and secretary is Earle Bottomley.

Another largely attended club is games. President, Frances Bramble; Secretary, Billy Vansant. Paul Church has organized a ping pong schedule for us in which we shall play in tournaments.

One of the most interesting of all is the Reading Club. Dorothy Jones was chosen president and Mae Hanifee, secretary. We hope to improve our reading by taking advantage of a library and obtaining as many good books as possible.

Finally, are the Home Room Clubs, which were begun to promote cooperation and good fellowship among the students.

With a little work from everyone and a great deal of interest, we shall surely be successful in our aims, and you can expect to hear from us each week.

Secretary-Press Club
Jean Phillips

James Summers, trapping one of Russell Sumers' marshes in Dorchester County, reports finding three muskrats in one of the steel traps last week. Once in a great while two muskrats running together are caught in one trap, but to catch three at once seems to be unusual. At least very few trappers ever heard of such a thing. Muskrats are reported not so plentiful this season.