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COORDINATING AGRICULTURAL PROGRAMS

Pictured is a group of Kent County Agriculturists who have worked out a plan whereby all local agricultural activities are coordinated into one program. The lady members of the committee were not present when picture was taken.

Over a period of fifteen months, a group of twenty Kent farm men and women leaders and representatives of governmental agencies working in the county, have been analyzing problems—determining the solution of the problems and planning the attack so that a well rounded, unified and integrated program may result. Economy, efficiency, which means elimination of duplication of effort and working at cross purposes, is fully considered in a 57 page Report known as the Kent Unified Land Use Program.

Land and land use problems, social and economic problems affecting every Kent resident have been most carefully considered. The result of some fifteen meetings, and all the compilation of facts—their analysis and the proposed solution of many problems make the Report not only an unusual but a most valuable publication. It has much significance and is highly useful by all who seek facts and are willing to be guided by them.

The committee is composed of the following: Maurice B. Field, Mrs. Edw. A. Hepbron, J. D. McVean, Miss Helen N. Schellinger, Mrs. Florence Workman, N. R. Quesenberry, Mrs. Franklin Moffett, Mrs. H. T. Williams, Mrs. L. A. Sutton, Miss Virginia Dulin, Ralph W. Ruble, F. H. Beck, A. Lindell Beaston, Harry T. Williams, H. S. Leaverton, Edgar D. Lusby, H. S. Ford, Wilbur H. Morris, Walace H. Ford, J. Meldon Walbert, Ralph P. Williams.

The official title of the Committee is the Kent Iand Use and Program Planning Committee. Kent wa chosen as the Maryland County to prepare a unified program as suggested above as a part of a nationwide effort to have the farm and family leaders take the lead in directing the effort of the federally financed groups commonly called "operating or action agencies" to the end that the effort made by all agencies shall have local support, shall be integrated and shall be adapted to local conditiones. The title is shortened to Kent Planning Committee as a matter of convenience. The program Report is called the "County Plan." The work of the Kent Committee is defined as follows:

County Planning At County Level

County Planning is simply an organized effort by the people of the County to solve the problems of their use of the land, through their own efforts and with the help of public agencies.

Since the effort is by the people, led by the farm and family leaders, both the disadvantaged groups and the advantaged have a definite mission and responsibility. As the organized effort deals with public agencies, their local representatives share with farm families in organizing a single program for the County in which their administrative experience and budgets are set to work in the interests of the people, rather than of the individual agencies and without duplication of effort or working at cross purposes. The agencies are "hired men" in the attack on the problems the families and Government desire to solve in the interest of the common welfare.

The new elements in County Planning are team-work between the farm families and public agencies, concentration of forces, wide spread recognition of problems and organized effort in their solution. The element which has been missing is the lack of acceptance by farm families of the many programs as their programs.

This lack of assimilation is due to the fact that the newer agencies have had superimposed programs hastily assembled to meet emergent conditions. The national leaders now urge that farm folk and operating agencies go back to fundamentals and build cooperatively from the ground up.

The leaders are prepared to adjust, to consolidate, to modify in accordance with the bed-rock cooperative experience of farm families, aided by technicians and administrators.

To explain the desired functioning of County Planning, we may compare it to the building of a successful football team. Under the approved setup, the Extension Service, as the coordinating agency, is named head coach—the agency technicians and administrators are assistant coaches. The County Committee is the quarter-back, and the board of strategy representing the rural folk who form the team, make the attack, block out the interference and score the victories. To carry the comparison farther, we cite the fact that teams are built through practice in which all agencies cooperate to the fullest extent. Thus the success of the County-Planning-Team depends fully as much on the team members as on the coaching staff. If the cooperation is complete, a winning team is assured.

A case in point is the recent SCS, memorandum No. 868, which as the result of the suggestions of the Supervisors of the Kent Soil Conservation District and the County Planning Committee, enables farmers to get under a single agreement complete service for erosion and drainage problems rather than have two agreements with two agencies—therefore, simplicity, efficiency, and economy results.

How County Planning Functions.

County Planning means that a single workable program developed by farm leaders with assistance be offered to the farm or rural folk who participate according to their need and desire. Each agency contributes to this program to the extent of their respective authorizations. The goal is to attain the greatest possible degree of welfare for all people as economically and effectively as possible. At the same time conserve the soil and its productivity for future generations instead of wasting and squandering this basic natural resourse through neglect and destructive use. This means national well being and national defense.

It is not assumed that the agencies wil drop their administrative procedure not forget the purpose for which each was set up by Act of Congress. We may assume, however, an intense desire on the part of all agencies to cooperate and to work in unison rather than at cross purposes. This desire backed by local sharing of effort and leadership will help greatly in attaining the solution of pressing problems. The sharing of the resulting satisfactions offers such democratic procedure that the "isms" which thrive among disadvantaged people will gain no foothold here. We may expect modification of procedure as time and testing reveal such need. In some cases thus far, the people have felt that the agency programs belong to the agencies rather than to the people which is a mistaken idea. Meanwhile such programs are not so effective as they can be under shared responsibility which is inhrent in County Planning.

In preparation for the single program per county, the planning committee has entered into agreements with the various action agencies. Such agreements set forth the desire of each agency to cooperate, list the services ach can contribute, and state the working relationship possible under their respective administrative set-ups.

The next effort of the County Committee is to present the program to all the people to stimulate thought, action, and induce active participation by all the members of farm families through constructive, economic, and practical use of the agencies, equipment, and funds made a-

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HOW TO VOTE MONDAY

Democratic and Republican voters wil go to the polls Monday for the purpose of selecting candidates who wil represent these parties in the general election to be held next November.

The Democrats will select one candidate among three aspirants for the United States Senate; one candidate among six aspirants for Congress; three delegates among six aspirants for the Democratic Convention.

The Republicans will select one candidate among two aspirants for the United States Senate; one candidate among three aspirants for Congress and will also determine whether the Republican delegation to the national convention will be pledged for Dewey or shall go uninstructed.

Democrats and Republicans will receive separate ballots when they enter the polling places.

GOLF LEAGUE TO INCLUDE SIX PENINSULA CLUBS

The Peninsula Golf League was reorganized Wednesday evening at a meeting at Salisbury Wednesday evening with six golf clubs of the peninsula represented.

The league will be divided into two divisions, Chestertown, Easton and Dover composing the northern division and Accamac, Salisbury and Cape Charles the southern division. The final winner of the league will be determined by a home and home match between the winners of each of the two divisions.

Each team in the league will be composed of eight men and the season wil start May 19th so that the league season will be over in time so as not to interfere with the regular 16 man club matches during the summer and fall months.

Officials of the newly organized league are:

W. J. Stenger, Chestertown, President.

Joseph Schiller, Salisbury, Vice-President.

Ralph Townsend, Secy. Treas.

The executive committee is composed of the above officers together with Royce Spring, of Easton and Richard Warren, of Accamac.

Tower of Pisa

The leaning tower of Pisa was intended to stand upright but the soil beneath gradually gave way on one side until the marble structure was 16 feet out of the perpendicular.

Twins Retire

After working 41 years each in a factory near Birmingham, England, Miss Jane and Miss Mary Saunders, twins, have retired.

ROCK HALL GIRLS HOLD RECORDS **Betty and Nita Lussier**

Betty holds the South Atlantic breast-stroke record both indoor and outdoor. Nita holds the South Atlantic back-stroke record both indoor and outdoor. They both are members of K. of C. medely relay which holds that South Atlantic record.

SUMMER ROUNDUP

The Summer Round Up of the children by the Parents Teachers' Association in Kent County is now in progress. During the next month a member of the local P. T. A. Health Committee, who represents the Board of Education and the Health Department, in addition to the P. T. A. will call at the home of every child entering school for the first time in September, 1940. She will urge that the parents see that their child has a physical examination now and that any defects are corrected before the child enters school next fall.

A well child has better chances for success in his school career.

Perfect attendance will be more possible for him; he will make his adjustment to new suroundings sooner, and he will be able to use his learning ability more fully than the child in poor physical condition. It helps teachers and pupils alike to know which children need special attention because of poor hearing or other defects which cannot be corrected at once.

All children should have a happy successful school life. The P. T. A. hopes they can start out with the priceless advantage of good health. If each community will cooperate with its P. T. A. in seeing that its Summer Round Up of the children is carried out successfully in its schools, Kent County will have taken another great step forward towards a better future for its children.

FIGHT STARTED IN KENT AGAINST JAPANESE BEETLE

Ketn County farms infested with Japanese Beetle grub are receiving a dose of the germs of the Milky White disease, which is expected, will, in the course of a few years, control the Japanese Beetle.

The disease attacks the Japanese Beetle grub when ever the germs and the grub get together. The grub acquires the diseases and dies before reaching the adult stage—that means no damage to crops and no more propagation of beetles from these grubs exposed to the disease. Naturally time and expense precludes treating all of the grub infested land. However, in a few years the disease can be so widely scattered over all farms that little damage will result eventually. This year three acres in each square mile will be treated in the infested portion of the county.

Meanwhile the other control and retardation measures continue, viz:—extensive use of traps to catch adult beetles to prevent their egg laying and to prevent their damage to foliage, fruit, and crops by eating them; use of deterrent sprays to chase the beetle from crops you desire to protect or save; colonization of parasites another means of attacking the Japanese beetle grub; and grub-proofing, by means of arsenate of lead, lawns, golf greens and burial lots; the latter is not for tilled crops but does not harm grass. The poison working down in the grass roots poisons the grubs as they feed on the roots.

No one of the five weapons is 100% effective but collectively they are quite effective in retarding the spread of Japanese Beetle and lessening the damage it does.

RADCLIFFE PARK HORSE SHOW IS POSTPONED

The annual Radcliffe Driving Park Horse Show, which was scheduled for May 18th, has been postponed until June 8th due to the late season and heavy rains.

The program, as published in this paper a few weeks ago for the May show will be altered somewhat for the June show. This change will be in class 7 the novelty class.

DEATHS REPORTED DURING THIS WEEK

John S. Vandegrift

John S. Vendegrift, one of the most widely known residents of Chestertown, died at his home on Cross Street Thursday evennig at the age of 77 years.

He was born in Chestertown and for a long period of years conducted a barber business until a few years ago when he was compelled to abandon that business due to failing eyesight.

Although at an age when many men would have quit, he was by no means through and until a few days of his death, and as long as he was able to get around, he was active and one of Chestertown's strongest boosters. He will long be remembered by those who knew him.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Lambert Vandegrift.

Funreal services will be held Monday afternoon at 2 p. m. at his home on Cross Street to be conducted by Rev. C. L. Atwater with interment in Chester Cemetery.

The bearers wil be Messrs. A. L. Sparks, Dr. W. H. Moyer, Henry Gill, C. Lee Gill, J. W. Kirby, Elwood Baker. Ralph H. Usilton Funeral Service is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Sarah Rebecca Middleton

Mrs. Sarah Rebecca Middleton, 80, widow of the late James E. Middleton, died at her home in Rock Hall Tuesday evening. She is survived by three daughters, all at home, viz: Mrs. Alonza Travers, and Misses Hallie and Maude Middleton.

Funeral was held from her late home Friday at 2.30 p. m., services conducted by the Rev. F. Charles Louhoff; interment in St. Paul's Cemetery. Ralph H. Usilton, Inc., in charge.

The bearers were Messrs. Howard Leaverton, Chas. Rodney, Geo. Collyer, Bibson Middleton, Howard Middleton, Raymond Jones.

Mrs. Agnes Robinson

Mrs. Agnes Robinson, aged 77, widow of the late George L. Robinson, died in Philadelphia Monday evening. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. T. C. Miller, and one brother, John Schwatka, both of Wilmington, Del.

Interment was in Chester Cemetery, Thursday at 11 a. m. Service at the grave were conducted by the Rev. W. P. Roberts. Ralph H. Usilton, Inc., funeral directors, in charge

WASHINGTON COL. IN NEW MOTION PICTURE OF STATE

A feature in the 20th Centry Fox production "Maryland" will be the historic background of Washington College.

A staff of cameramen and directors were in Chestertown Friday taking pictures of the College which are scheduled to appear in the new $2,000,000 technicolor production, which will feature cross-country racing, fox hunting and early American life as portrayed in this State. Ray Dennahan, the cameramen on the job at Washington College is a winner of the academy award as are three members of the cast.

The staff was accompanied here by Mr. John Alderson, a graduate of Washington College. Mr. Alderson is manager of the Center Theatre in Baltimore where the premiere will be shown.

In taking the pictures at the college on Friday a technicolor camera was used which is one of only twenty-five such cameras in this country.

ROCK HALL

Wesley Chapel Sunday School had 223 present on Sunday. Mr. Jesse Downey's class had charge of the Sunday School program. There was special music by the double quartette.

Mrs. Thomas Tucker and her class of boys led the evening service.

The Ladies Aid society held a birthday social in the church hall on Friday evening. Every one enjoyed a nice evening of fun and refreshments were later served.

Rock Hall Sunday School had 154 present on Sunday. Rev. Estella B. Gibbon and Mr. Gibbon were guests for the day and Rev. Estella Gibbon delivered a fine sermon both morning and night. The Epworth League was led by Miss Ella Edwards. There was special music by the double quartette.

Those from the church who attended the W. C. T. U. Convention held in Chestertown on Friday were Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Louhoff, Mrs. Sterling Kelley, Mrs. Millard Rodney, Mrs. Alex Tyler, Mrs. Tilghman Hubbard.

Mrs. Sarah Middleton died at her late home on Tuesday afternoon after a lingering illness.

She is survived by three daughters, Miss Maude and Hallie Middleton and Mrs. Alonza Travers. Funeral services were held from her home on Friday afternoon 2.30 p. m. Services were conducted by the Rev. F. C. Louhoff. Interment in St. Pauls cemetery.

Elmer O. Jones, Jr., entertained a few of his little friends to his tenth birthday party on April 26th at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Urie and daugher, Anna Mae were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Greenwood in Quaker Neck.

The members and friends of Wesley Chapel Church gave Rev. and Mrs. A. N. Stubblebine a farewell party on Wednesday evening after prayer meeting in the church hall. We hate to lose these fine people and wish them success in their new field of work at Newark.

Mr. Walter Satterfield has come from Baltimore to spend the summer months with Mr. Milton Maslin.

Rev. F. C. Louhoff and Mr. Stanley Grant attended the General Conference of the Methodist Church on Sunday which was held at Atlantic City.

The senior class play was held in the High School Auditorium on Friday. It was enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. LeRoy Newcomb, of Quaker Neck spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Esenwein and family.

Congratulations are extended to the happy couples that were married here on Saturday. Mr. Frank Parsons, Jr., and Miss Jane Ruppert of Baltimore, Mr. Herman Hill, III, to Miss Jane Catherine Wood Hatcherson both of Rock Hall, and Mr. Homer Russum and Mrs. Teresa Griffin and Mr. Francis Williams and Miss Alice Anderson of Baltimore.

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Mr. LeRoy Jacquette made a business trip to Savannah, Ga., over the week end.

Mrs. Markley Ashley, of Baltimore, was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Susie Wetmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bennett and Mrs. William Collison spent the week end in Cambridge with Mr. and Mrs. William Seward.

Mr. Reybold Wilson is recuperating in the Kent and Queen Anne Hospital, Chestertown, after an operation.

Mr. William Newnam of Baltimore spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Dickerson and family at Edesville.

Insect Control

County agricultural agents reported that 160,132 farmers in the United States followed recommended practices for insect control in 1938. The farmers used 284,318,740 pounds of various kinds of poisons in campaigns that saved $7,894,570 above the cost of the poison applications.

TURNER BUSINESS AT BETTERTON SOLD

Mr. George Turner, who purchased the above property at Betterton this week, plans to further develop the yachting service at that bay resort.

The hardware, lumber and building supply business, which has operated under the name of Turner & Son, Inc., in Betterton, Maryland, this week changed hands. Mr. William W. Turner, of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, sold the property and its inventory of stock to Mr. George V. Turner, of Wilmington, Deleware, formerly of Betterton.

A new corporation is being formed to operate this business under the name of George V. Turner, Inc., as successors to Turner & Son, Inc., which firm has been in continuous operation since 1855. The firm of Turner & Son, Inc., was founded by Mr. Richard T. Turner who began the business as a lumber mill on or about the site where the present business is operated. After his death, his son, Mr. Richard T. Turner, Jr., took over his father's interest and operated the business which had, by that time, branched out into the hardware line as well as farm and fishing supplies. When he passed on, his son, Mr. Howard Turner, took over the firm and carried on the business until his death in 1936, at which time Mr. William W. Turner, of Swarthmore, a brother, managed the concern until the business was sold to Mr. George V. Turner who is no relation to the former Turner family which operated this firm.

Mr. George Turner, who is 32 years of age, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Turner, of Betterton, and a cousin of the Messrs. Frank and Sidney Turner, of Chestertown. He graduated from the Betterton Grammar School in 1922, Chestertown High School in 1926 and attended the University of Delaware. He was, at one time, associated with the Peerless Fertilizer Company, of Chestertown, but has most recently been in Wilmington where he has been associated with Mr. George T. Weymouth, a son-in-law of Mr. Eugene E. duPont, who owns Napalie Green in Kent County.

The transfer of this business includes the store and office building, lumber yard, coal yard, warehouses, steamboat wharf and several concessions.

Mr. Turner is forming the above mentioned new corporation to operate this business as a hardware, lumber, building supplies, farm implements and supplies and also plans to construct a large breakwater to be used as a yacht basin in the near future as well as setting up new concessions for the summer resort. He also plans to not only furnish building materials but also to do contract work in all fields of building.

In taking over this business, Mr. Turner has retained the services of the former organization which includes Mr. Ernest Horsey, who has capably managed the hardware business for many years and has seen 32 years of active service with the company; Miss Elizabeth Brice, who has been in charge of the bookkeeping department for 23 years and Mr. Nelson Crew, who has been in the firm for two years having charge of the lumber yard and steamboat wharf.