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ELECTRIC STORM NEAR WORTON KEEPS FIREMEN BUS

Lightning Kills Negro At Coleman

A heavy rain and electric storm swept through the central portion of Kent County Tuesday afternoon and although it relieved a drouth condition it took its toll in fire damage.

During the downpour which was almost of cloudburst proportions, Chestertown firemen were called to the Willard Everett farm near Worton, tenanted by Mr. Harold Everett when lightning entered the house, chasing around three rooms doing damage estimated at $75.00. The rooms were filled with smoke but the house did not catch on fire.

From there the firemen were called to the George Rasin Farm two miles away and found the barn and a cow shed in flames and beyond saving. These buildings, together with a quantity of hay and farm equipment were destroyed. The loss was estimated at from $1200 to $1400.

During the storm lightning struck the flagpole at the C. C. C. Camp and the steeple of the Methodist Church at Church Hill.

Negro Killed By Lightning

George Dorsey, colored, of Coleman Corner was instantly killed and his wife stunned when a bolt of lightning jumped from a locust tree to his house.

COMPULSARY MILITARY TRAINING ALMOST CERTAINTY

6000 Expected To Be Called From Maryland

The compulsary military training bill, now before Congress with every assurance of passage within the next two weeks, means that approximately 6000 young men in Maryland will be called for training October 1st.

This number is a mere guess and is based upon total population proportion of the national conscription of 400,000 men. Based on the 6000 from this State, Kent County's share willbe approximately 50.

It is thought that the first training period will be between twelve and fourteen months and will include unmarried men between the ages of 21 and 31. It is likely that the conscription, although national, will be handled by the individual States.

The conscription is scheduled to include the registration of all males between the ages of 18 and 65. Only able-bodied young men will actually be put through military training.

The routine for the training period as outlined by the War Department will be:

First Two months—Introduction to army life and basic military instruction.

Next Eight Months — Specialist training, with the men expected to drop into branches of the service to which they are adapted or prefer; unit training, with emphasis on functions as a combat team.

Next Month and a Half—Field exercises and maneuvers.

Last Two Weeks—"Deprocessing" which would include assignment to National Guard units.

Just what part the colleges of the country will play in the emergency training program has not been determined but it is thought they will play an important part.

At the present time in Maryland there are three colleges that have had selective military training for a number of years. They are Hopkins, University of Maryland and Western Maryland. The new program will likely enlarge upon the training in these three colleges and also include other institutions including Washington College. No definite set-up has been made for the Chestertown institution althought there is definitely something in the wind.

Among the emergency training activities on the Eastern Shore is the designation of the Easton airport training center for non-college men.

LOCAL GUARD UNIT PREPARING FOR 3 WEEKS TRAINING

The Medical Detachment, First Infantry, Maryland National Guard, located at Chestertown, is making preparations for a three weeks training period in the Plattsburg Area, New York State.

The local unit will leave Chestertown on Sunday, August 4th and will include thirty-six men. There has been much talk of a year's training period for the National Guard but up to the present time no definite orders to that effect have been received by the Chestertown Unit. This medical detachment is under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Frank B. Hines and Lieutenant Walter T. Morris.

Wins Picture Contest

The first Maryland entrant to capture one of the top weekly awards scored in this week's New-Journal Amateur Snapshot Contest, with the number of prints swamping the contest judges no signs of diminishing.

Dorothy Gilfallen of Galena, Md., snapped the picture of a kitten in a jar, and captioned it, "Peek-a-Boo," to gain one of the week's prizes and the chance to have her photo entered in the larger national competition after this contest is concluded.

HUNDRED HORSES TO COMPETE AT MIDDLE KENT SHOW

Annual Event To Be Held July 28th

One hundred horses will compete in the third annual show of the Middle Kent Hunt Club which will be held at Hanson Hall Farm near Lynch Station on July 28th. More than half of the entries are show horses from the various parts of Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania and it promises to be the largest assemblage of fine horse flesh ever held in Kent County.

The Middle Kent Hunt Club is a member of the Maryland Horse Show Association and member owners will receive points for winners in the various events. In addition to the children's class for association members for the Giddins trophy, there will be a children's Jumping Class open to all children under 16 years of age. Mr. Humphrey Finney has appointed Mr. Paul Steel as official measurer for the two children's classes.

The largest number of entries in any one event is Class 12, Ladies Hunters with jumps three and a half feet. Thirty-six horses are entered in this event.

The show will start at 12:30 P. M. with a parade of the horses entered in the show and the schedule of events follow:

The show events are:

1. Suckling Colts and Fillies—Suitable to become hunters. Shown in hand.
2. Colts and Fillies—Suitable to become hunters. 4 years old and under. Shown in hand.
3. Pony, Saddle Class—14.2 and under to be shown by riders 15 years old and under at a walk, trot and canter.
4. Poney Jumping Class — 14.2 and under. Jumps to start at 2 feet 6 inches and raised to determine the winner at the discretion of the judges.
5. Open Saddle Class—Walk, trot, and canter, to be judged on conformation, quality, manners and gaits.
6. Green Hunters—5 years old and under that have not won a blue ribbin prior to January 1, 1940. Conformation 40%, Performance 60%.
7. D. Sterrett Gittings Horsemanship Trophy Class—H. S. A. of M. members only. H. S. A. of M. regulations to apply. Riders under 17 years of age eligible, provided they have not won this class at a previous show this year. Ponies or horses not to jump over three feet. Ponies to jump same height as regular jumping classes for size. To be judged on Performance over fences, on Seat and Hands, Guidance and Control of mount throughout. Jumping faults of mount not to count. Judges may request any riders to make second ride on any other mount. Eight jumps to the course.
8. Kent and Queen Anne's Farmers Jumping Class—For horses that earn their keep on the farm to jump 3 feet 6 inches. Performance only
9. Knock Down and Out—Start at 4 feet. Performance only. Tips not scored. A refusal to count as a knockdown.
10. Open and Qualified Hunters—Fences not to exceed 4 feet. Conformation 30%, Performance 70%.
11. Pairs of Hunters—Jumps 3 feet 6 inches to be shown abreast over four jumps. To be judged on performance as a pair over jumps.
12. Ladies Hunters—Jumps 3 feet 6 inches. Performance 50%; Horsemanship 25%; Manners 25%.
13. Musical Chairs.
14. Large Pony Dash—over 12 and under 14.2. About ½ mile.
15. Small Pony Dash—Under 12 hands. About ½ mile.

For list of entries turn to Page 4.

Appointed To Health Office

Miss Florence Walls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Walls, of near Millington, has been appointed Junior Stenographer at the Kent County Health Office.

Miss Walls graduated at the Chestertown High School in 1938; finished at Goldey College this past May and has been worknig for the Dupont Company since. She was first on the Civil Service list for Kent County.

CORRECTION

An advertisement in this paper last week set the date of the Worton Supper for August 17th. This was incorrect. The correct date is Wednesday, August 7th.

Pictured is the Chestertown Lions Club and their ladies at a picnic at Rolph's Wharf Monday evening. The occasion was ladies night and numerous contests were held including rolling pin throwing etc.

Pictured are Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Stavely, owners of Hanson Hall Farm where Middle Kent Horse Show will be held on July 28th.

FIRE COMPANY TO STAGE GALA PARADE TUESDAY

Auxiliary Will Show New Uniforms

The Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company is planning a gala parade on Tuesday evening starting at 7:30 P. M.

All units of the company will be in line including all equipment, the Ladies Audiliary with its 300 members in their new uniforms, the active men, associate men all of which will be led by the Company band.

All associated members are requested to take part.

The Ladies Auxiliary have won prizes in parades at Chesapeake City and Middletown but Kent County has not had an opportunity to see their new uniforms.

The parade is just a fire company activity and since the annual carnivals have been dispensed with the public seldom sees this highly efficient organization on parade.

The line of parade will be:

Assemble at Fire House at 7:30. Maple Avenue to Washington Avenue to Kent Circle. Then to High Street to railroad tracks. U turn at tracks, back down High Street to Cross Street to Fire House.

Efforts are being made to have as many members of the various units turn out as is possible.

NAVAL RESERVE TRAINING COURSE FOR ENSIGNS

Second Cruise Start Aug. 19

The second 30 doy cruise for those young men enlisted in the Naval Reserve Officers Training Courses will be made in three battleships during the period Aug. 19th, to Sept. 14th. The port of embarkation and disembarkation will be New York and approximately 1500 will make the cruise. Training cruises will continue to be made in three battleships.

Following the 30 day cruise, those selected, become Midshipmen in the Naval Rerserve and take an additional 3 months course ashore. Upon the successful completion of this period of study the candidate is commissioned as an Ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

While at school as a midshipman, pay is received the same as a midshipman at the Naval Academy. For the cruise period transportation, rations and uniforms are furnished but no pay.

Applicants for course must be:

American born, unmarried and between the ages of 19 and 26 both inclusive.

Must have a minimum of 2 years credits from an accredited college or university.

Applicants must furnish:

Copy of birth certificate.

Substantiate his college credits by letter or transcript from accredited college or university.

At least 2 letters of recommendation from substantial citizens.

PURE BRED CATTLE SHOW TUESDAY AT TOLCHESTER

Sponsored By Herd Improvement Association

Ninety entries from Kent County's outstanding dairy herds will be exhibited at Tolchester next Tuesday, July 30th for the annual Kent County Cattle Show.

This show which is sponsored by the Dairy Herd Improvement Association has grown to the point where it is one of the outstanding one-day shows in the State.

The Maryland State Fair Board has contributed $40.00 for premiums which will be matched by the Herd Improvement Association.

Exhibitors will receive $1.00 per head for each animal exhibited up to 6 from one herd.

Following the luncheon hour a pure bred calf auction will be held at which time ten pure bred calves will go to the highest bidders.

COUNTY SOFT BALL LEAGUE

Scores of the week:
Fairlee 12—Millington 8
Worton 4—Great Oaks 2
Worton 15—Asco 13
Fairlee 16—Lynch 4
Rock Hall 32—Lynch 5

Games Next Week
Monday, July 29th
First Game
Fairlee vs Chestertown I. O. O. F.
Second Game
Rock Hall vs Great Oaks
Tuesday, July 30th
Millington vs Asco
Wednesday, July 31st
First Game
Great Oaks vs Worton
Second Game
Chestertown I. O. O. F. vs Still Pond
Thursday, August 1st
Chestertown vs Millington
Friday, August 2nd
Worton vs Lynch

Standing of League

Team	W	L
Rock Hall	9	1
Chestertown	8	2
Fairlee	7	3
Worton	6	4
Millington	4	4
High Rock	6	5
Chestertown I.O.O.F.	4	6
Great Oakes	3	7
Still Pond	2	8
Lynch	1	10

Sale Date Set

The date of the sale of personalty of Mr. Linwood Sutton has been set for August 20th. Mr. Sutton will discontinue farming. Advertisement of the sale will appear in this paper at a later date.

FOUND SPECTACLES

A pair of white gold spectacles were found by Dr. A. L. Davis, of Chestertown. Owner may secure same upon identification.

DEATHS REPORTED DURING THIS WEEK

MRS. HELENA FERINGER

Mrs. Helena Feringer, wife of John Feringer, died at her home in Rock Hall Saturday night of a further stroke of paralysis from which she had been suffering for some time. Funeral services were conducted at her late home at one o'clock Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. F. C. Louhoff of the Rock Hall Methodist Church. Burial was made in Wesley cemetery.

The bearers were Messrs. Hilton Crouch, Irvin Crumley, Mr. Lynch, William Leppo, Ralph Bean and Frank Puppe. Undertaker William H. Good in charge of arrangements.

JAMES B. STEVENS

James B. Stevens, age 72 years, well known farmer of near Millington, died at his home Friday evennig after a short illness. He was a director of the Millington Bank and a member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge of Massey.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ida M. Stevens; one daughter, Miss Mary Stevens; three sons, Newnam, Franklin and Victor Stevens; a brother, Ralph Stevens, of Clayton.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the home and interment was in Millington cemetery with Rev. Stricklin officiating.

Honorary bearers were the Directors of the Millington Bank. Active bearers were Messrs. Thomas Stevens, Henry Stevens, Charles Clements, Cooper and Sidney Dixon. Fellows funeral service was in charge of arrangements.

GEORGE CLOUGH

George Clough, age 62 years, a well known resident of Millington, died at his home this week following a lingering illness. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ada Clough; a daughter, Mrs. George W. Weitlang, of Louisville, Ky.; a brother, John Clough; a sister, Mrs. E. W. Marvel.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Fellows Funeral Home and interment was in Galena cemetery. Rev. McFarland officiated.

The bearers were Messrs. David Bamberger, John Higman, Dudley Moore, Paul Comegys, Charles Jones and Henry Stevens. Fellows Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

FIRE LOSS IN KENT SHOWED INCREASE DURING 1939

Loss Mostly In Rural Section

John B. Gontrum, State Insurance Commissioner, recently issued two tables showing the fire losses in the Maryland counties for 1938 and 1939 and the causes of fires in 1939.

Mr. Gontrum stated: "Despite the increased activities on the part of the firemen and the State Insurance Commissioner's office along fire prevention lines, the number of fires in Maryland continues to increase. We are endeavoring to analyze the reasons for this increase. Although the number of fires rose from 3044 to 3834, the increase in property damage was only $160,571.01 which would indicate increased efficiency on the part of the volunteer firemen. As will be observed furnaces, boilers and their pipes head the list with 747 fires. Matches and smoking, resulted in 443 fire for 1939. Lightning played a big part, resulting in 405 fires. Chimneys, flues, cupolas and stacks overheated resulted in 436 fires."

The tabulation for Kent County showed 72 fires during 1939 as compared to 52 in 1938. The loss for 1939 was $23,592.26 while in 1938 it was $13,883.36.

The records of the fire companies in Kent County show that serious fire losses era mostly in rural sections where sufficient water to fight fires is not available. The loss in urban sections that have town pressure or plenty of natural water, the losses are very small. This shows the fire companies are efficient when they have the facilities with which to fight fire.

Visiting In Chestertown

Mr. and Mrs. David B. Ford, Jr., and little daughter, Patricia Anne, of Upper Darby, Pa., are visiting their parents on Queen St.

SAILORS HAD FAIR BREEZE OPENING DAY OF REGATTA

Power And Sailing Races To Feature Saturday's Events

Friday, the opening day of the Chester River Regatta at Chestertown provided the sailors with a fair south-westerly breeze that enabled all races to start and finish on time.

According ot schedule, the races started at 9:30 A. M. with the stars and a race for the different classes followed each five minutes until 10:35 A. M.

The second heat of these races started at 2:00 P. M. and followed in the same rotation until 3:05 P. M.

Saturday's Program

The program for today, Saturday, includes both power and sail boat races. The course for the power boat races is from the club pier to a point near the Chester River Brdige. The sailing course is moved down below the pier for Saturday's races.

"One of the features of today's power boat races will be the mile trials for speed records which will be held at 6 A. M. A number of the boats which broke records in their class at Havre de Grace will be here for that event. The trials are run on a straight away from a flying start and will be clocked by officials of the American Power Boat Association.

The regular power boat races will start at 9 A. M., and continue until 4 P. M.

The morning program is for outboards only with exception of a class C runabout class which starts at 11.20.

The afternoon program includes the fast ibnoards and the entire day's program promises plenty of thrills.

The final race on the program will be a ladies row-boat race which starts at 4:40.

The sailors will not be left out on Saturday and a full day's program is planned.

Sailing Race Results

The unofficial winner in the first heat of the sailing races at the Country Club Friday morning were:

Star Class

1st Henry Wilmer, Jr., in Aires, Chestertown.

2nd, Henry Wilmer, Sr., in Orlando, Chestertown.

3rd, Peter Saillard in Flapper, Gibson Island.

20ft. Round Bottom

1st, Carl Bordley in Carlsark, Chestertown.

2nd, Carl Smith in Wings, West River.

3rd, Delbert Zang in Shamrock, Annapolis.

20ft. Chime Bottom

1st, Vincent Kramer in Seawitch, Annapolis.

2nd, Albert Strong in Sally S., Rock Hall.

3rd, Bud Hubbard in Whtie Flash, Chestertown.

18 Foot Class

1st, George Pennington, Jr., in Kingfish, Chestertown.

2nd, Warner Brockson in Fairhope, Chestertown.

3rd,R. Heberling in Cacaway, Jr., Chestertown.

Hampton

1st, Bill Cox, Norfolk, Va.

2nd, Harold Cox, in Bantam, Norfolk, Va.

3rd, Robert Wilson in Gale, Chestertown.

Comets

1st, Robert Lippincott in Sea Robin Riverton, N. J.

2nd, Barclay Tripp in Star Baby, Easton.

3rd, Howard Lippincott in Currus, Riverton, New Jersey.

Barnegat

1st, Gilbert Ingersoll in Day Dreamer, Chestertown.

No return for other winners in this class.