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# HOT OFF THE GRIDDLE

**SUSAN SNOW**

Parchment lamp shades may be wiped off occasionally with a damp cloth. Paper wastebaskets can also be thusly cleaned if they are first shellacked. Shellacking will lengthen the life of any household accessories made of paper.

One should never chop ice or bang heavy pots in the sink as this cracks the enamel.

It is unwise to put furniture polish on leather goods as the turpentine and alcohol in it causes the leather to become soft and sticky.

Printed linoleum must be lacquered, or treated to a coat of linoleum varnish, to preserve the pattern. When the factory finish begins to wear off, use a mild soap to clean the surface; dry and apply varnish, the pattern will then last for years. Shellac used on plain, jaspe, or inlaid linoleum darkens the pattern and wears off unevenly, but these may be cleaned and preserved with wax polishes. When new, treat with a thin coating of wax once a month for three months, thereafter as needed. The surface should be cleaned with a mild soap, rinsed, and well dried before the wax is applied. If well rubbed, it will not be slippery. The first time old linoleum is waxed it will require a second coat about 30 minutes after the first. This waxing allows the linoleum to be easily cleaned with a slightly damp cloth. Do not use wax which it is claimed needs no rubbing, for it is water solube and so defeats the purpose of the waxing.

Carpeting cannot be removed, but rugs can, and summer rugs substituted for the heavy winter ones. Oriental rugs, in fact, any carpeting —benefit by an annual home washing. After the rugs have been gone over with the vacuum cleaner, they may be wiped off with a cloth wrung out in clear water to which a few drops of ammonia have been added, or a good commercial rug soap cleanser may be used. This treatment freshens and brightens them. Every few years, depending on their usage, rugs may well be washed (without chemicals) by a professional rug cleaner. If the winter rugs are put away, they should be sprayed, sprinkled with camphor flakes, and wrapped in tar paper.

As a fire prevention, when closing a summer house, put matches into closed metal containers, safe from mice. Turn off electricity at main intake. Remove any gasoline or kerosene and oily cloths from premises. If tanked gas is used, shut off the cylinders in the outdoor cabinet. Leave candles in tin box for emergency lighting.

Lard should not be bought in large quantities as it deteriorates with age, exposure to light, and varying temperatures. It should be kept in a closely covered container.

Wooden spoons are apt to warp and crack and to become unsanitary in time but they are cheap to replace, comfortable to handle and do not mar metal or enamel utenslis.

Corned beef should be cut in thin slices across the grain of the meat.

To sugar pecans, make a syrup of 1 cup of granulated sugar and ¼ cup of water. Cook until it strings slightly about 236 degrees. Remove from the fire and add 1 teaspoon of vanilla, and 1½ to 2 cups of whole pecans and stir them in the syrup until it utrns to sugar again.

To render out fat—of chicken or beef, have the skillet hot. Place in it small chunks of the fat, which is usually attached to some skin. As it melts in the pan, press it down with a fork and pour off the accumulated fat through a fine strainer into a vessel. If left too long in the pan it becomes dark. A pottery crock is safer to use for storing fat than a glass jar. The hot fat will crack the glass. If glass is used, care must be taken to pour in the fat very slowly, a very little at a time, and to keep a silver spoon in the jar to absorb some of the heat during the pouring-in process. Keep heating the chunks and keep pressing out the fat until no more can be squeezed out and the skin begins to turn black.

Roll a cornucopia of thin sliced smoked salmon. Fill it with seasoned caviar and serve on soft toast.

If you have a Welsh rarebit left over, try adding some canned tomato soup unthinned, and serve this as a sauce with macaroni or rice.

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American distillers have spent $75,000,000 for barrels since Repeal.

That represents 15,000,000 barrels, according to estimates.

And that represents about 1,350,000,000 log feet of lumber bought from the lumber industry.

*Association of*
MARYLAND DISTILLERS & ALLIED INDUSTRIES
MERCANTILE TRUST BLDG. BALTIMORE MD.

# Auditors' Report for KENT COUNTY

Chestertown, Maryland, August 31, 1940.

To The Honorable Board of County Commissioners, Kent Co., Md.

Gentlemen:

Complying with the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, January, 1904, we submit herewith the Thirty-Seventh Annual Report of the Auditors of Kent County, Maryland, for the year ending June 15, 1940.

We have examined all the records as provided by the Act. All bills and vouchers approved for payment have been carefully checked and compared with bank statements. There was received from all sources the sum of $379,851.93. The Treasurer paid out $366,791.97, leaving a balance on hand June 15, 1940, the sum of $13,059.96.

Your attention is called to the large amount of uncollected taxes still on the Treasurers Books, amounting to $59,300.85. You will please note that bills extend back to 1931, a period of nine years. This amount exceeds the unpaid taxes reported in the last audit, by $11,555.58. The situation created is a very serious problem. It results in a large increase in the tax-rate, and has frequently necessitated the borrowing of funds, temporarily, to meet current obligations of which you are aware. Again we recommend that the proper procedure be taken to collect this money.

The examination of the Treasurer's Books developed certain practices that are not in compliance with the law. We feel that necessary action should be taken to carry out the intent of the Act. This situation was previously explained to you.

We again recommend that the Treasurer make a detailed monthly report of the finance of the County and same be published in the local papers. All monies received should be deposited daily in bank.

Following is given a summary of all receipts and disbursements for the year:

SUMMARY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on hand June 16, 1939 | | $14,874.99 |
| RECEIPTS | | |
| Taxes Collected | $224,572.89 | |
| Interest on Taxes | 3,532.71 | |
| Interest on Deposits | 0.94 | |
| Alms House | 3,648.86 | |
| Dog Licenses | 1,581.00 | |
| Loans | 61,850.00 | |
| Sale of Bonds | | |
| State of Maryland | 58,382.57 | |
| Misc. Items from Co. Comm. | 8,951.21 | |
| Ches. Bank of Md. Coupons paid in error | 200.00 | |
| Mayor and Council of Ches. Bonds in error | 2,000.00 | |
| Taxes Deposited by J. J. Hadaway after 6-15-40 | 247.50 | |
| T. J. Davis-Refund of Witness Cert. | 9.26 | $364,976.94 |
| Total to be accounted for | | $379,851.93 |
| DISBURSEMENTS | | |
| Alms House | $9,232.01 | |
| Assessments | 2,115.04 | |
| Bonds and Coupons | 113,897.50 | |
| County Commissioners (Gen. Control) | 5,487.49 | |
| Education | 91,847.83 | |
| Election and Registration | 6,859.94 | |
| Extension Service | 5,689.33 | |
| Health | 13,395.48 | |
| Law and Order | 31,737.83 | |
| Miscellaneous | 24,372.12 | |
| Roads and Bridges | 35,117.76 | |
| Treasurer | 4,571.45 | |
| Wharves | 8,406.97 | $366,792.36 |
| Welfare | 14,061.61 | |
| Clerical Difference | | 0.39 |
| Total Disbursements | | $366,791.97 |
| Balance on hand June 15, 1940: | | |
| Cash in Bank | 13,020.33 | |
| Cash in Office | 39.53 | 13,059.96 |
| | | $379,851.93 |

The exhibits following show in detail the basis and explanation for each source of revenue and the total charges to each major account.

Respectfully submitted,
M. deK. SMITH, Jr., Chairman;
ISABEL R. NEWNAM,
J. RAYMOND SIMPERS,
Auditing Committee.

EXHIBIT A.

LEVY FOR 1939-40.

| | |
|---|---|
| Alms House | $6,000.00 |
| Assessment | 1,150.00 |
| Bonds and Coupons | 42,375.00 |
| County Commissioners | 5,350.00 |
| Education | 88,234.07 |
| Elections and Registrations | 4,500.00 |
| Extension Service | 4,168.00 |
| Health | 13,682.00 |
| Law and Order | 14,044.00 |
| Miscellaneous | 31,237.34 |
| Roads and Bridges | 36,000.00 |
| Treasurer | 4,000.00 |
| Welfare | 12,849.00 |
| Wharves | |
| Certificates 1938-39 | 30,018.27 |
| Total | $293,697.68 |

EXHIBIT B.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR 1939-40

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | $15,948,405.00 | 133 | $212,113.79 |
| Extra Real and Personal | 316,705.00 | 1.33 | 4,212.17 |
| Bank Shares and Trust Co. | 179,130.00 | 1.00 | 1,791.30 |
| Corporations | 260,880.00 | 1.33 | 3,469.73 |
| Corporations (Domestic) | 297,940.00 | 1.33 | 3,962.60 |
| Corporations (Special) | | 1.00 | |
| Motor Vehicles | 573,810.00 | 1.33 | 7,631.65 |
| Non-Stock Corporations (Full Rate) | 700.00 | 1.33 | 9.31 |
| Securities | 1,748,910.00 | 0.30 | 5,246.73 |
| Non-Stock Corporations (Security Rate) | 99,090.00 | 0.30 | 297.27 |
| Extra Securities. | 131,855.00 | 0.30 | 395.56 |
| | 19,557,425.00 | | 239,130.11 |
| Since Audit June 15, 1939. | | | |
| Extra Real and Personal | 2.50 | 1.33 | 2.32 |
| Total | 19,557,675.00 | | 239,132.43 |

EXHIBIT C.

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT PAID BY ORDERS ISSUED 1939-40

| | |
|---|---|
| Alms House | $7,777.61 |
| Attorney to County Commissioners Salary | 300.00 |
| Audit | 643.30 |
| Circuit Court | 2,656.52 |
| Court House | 169.82 |
| Court House and Jail | 3,295.61 |
| County Commissioners Salaries | 1,500.00 |
| Clerk to County Commissioners Salary | 1,500.00 |
| County Treasurer Salary | 1,500.00 |
| County Commissioners Office Expenses | 382.20 |
| Contract Printing | 999.99 |
| Chestertown, Millington and Rock Hall Fire Companies | 5,000.00 |
| Deputy Treasurer Salary | 1,000.00 |
| Extension Service | 3,233.73 |
| Easton Emergency Hospital | 150.00 |
| Election | 6,934.43 |
| Health Office | 295.75 |
| Hospitals | 7,784.52 |
| Jail Physician | 150.00 |
| Janitor's Salary | 400.00 |
| Kent and Upper Queen Anne Hospital | 750.00 |
| Kent County Board of Welfare-Needy Children | 1,695.00 |
| Kent County Board of Welfare, Blind Pensions | 879.06 |
| Kent County Road Maintenance | 3,287.87 |
| Miscellaneous | 10,359.49 |
| Orphans' Court | 1,600.82 |
| Old Age Pensions | 9,320.90 |
| Pensions | 10.00 |
| Publishing Auditors Report | 1 50.00 |
| Supervisor of Assessments Salary | 1,150.00 |
| State Department of Health | 4,406.96 |
| State's Attorney Salary | 1,200.00 |
| Schools | 90,929.29 |
| Treasurer Office Expenses | 1,798.35 |
| Incorporated Towns—Under Roads and Bridges | 3,900.00 |
| Magistrates Salary | 1,200.00 |
| Magistrates Office Expenses | 898.95 |
| Japanese Beetle Control | 868.00 |
| Note to First National Bank | 8,120.00 |
| Totol | $223,198.67 |

EXHIBIT D.

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNTS PAID BY CERTIFICATES ISSUED 1938-39

| | |
|---|---|
| Alms HouseAlms House | $1,157.40 |
| Assessments | 468.14 |
| Board of Prisoners | 5,347.95 |
| Circuit Court—Clerk's Office | 633.26 |
| Circuit Court—Witnesses, October 1938 | 162.53 |
| Circuit Court—Witnesses, April 1939 | 91.35 |
| Inquisitions | 538.96 |
| Incorporated Towns—Bank Shares | 627.13 |
| Magistrates and Constables | 3,440.69 |
| Sheriff's Fees | 1,721.26 |
| Reformation and State Schools | 3,381.91 |
| Supplies for Jail | 1,680.38 |
| Transportation of Prisoners | 1,038.28 |
| Tuberculosis Eradication | 1,587.60 |
| Refund of Taxes | 6.13 |
| Work on Jail | 7.87 |
| Wharves | 8,381.31 |
| Total | $30,272.15 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

SUMMARY OF TAXES COLLECTED 1939-40

| Year | Taxes | Interest |
|---|---|---|
| 1931-1932 | $ | $ |
| 1932-1933 | 10.00 | |
| 1933-1934 | 23.71 | 9.40 |
| 1934-1935 | 149.73 | 54.57 |
| 1935-1936 | 347.19 | 86.32 |
| 1936-1937 | 763.35 | 169.31 |
| 1937-1938 | 3,676.47 | 595.67 |
| 1938-1939 | 23,402.41 | 1,665.86 |
| 1939-1940 | 196,447.53 | 951.58 |
| TOTAL | 224,820.39 | 3,532.71 |

**EXHIBIT E**

TAXES FOR 1931-32

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY H. STOCKTON STARTT, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | | 9.16 | 20.71 | 29.87 |
| Total | | 9.16 | 20.71 | 29.87 |
| Interest | | | | |

**EXHIBIT E**

TAXES FOR 1932 35

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY H. STOCKTON STARTT, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 10.00 | 20.37 | 71.34 | 101.71 |
| Securities | | | 44.21 | 44.21 |
| Total Real and Personal | 10.00 | 20.37 | 115.55 | 145.92 |

**EXHIBIT E**

TAXES FOR 1933-34

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY H. STOCKTON STARTT, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 23.71 | 102.45 | 57.99 | 184.15 |
| Securities | | 44.21 | | 44 21 |
| Total | 23.71 | 146.66 | 57.99 | 228.36 |
| Interest | | | | 9.40 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1934-35

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY H. STOCKTON STARTT, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 149.73 | 155.78 | 67.91 | 373.42 |
| Securities | | 1.08 | | 1.08 |
| Total | 149.73 | 156.86 | 67.91 | 374.50 |
| Interest | | | | 54.57 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1935-36

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY WALTER T. MORRIS, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 347.19 | 332.59 | 167.30 | 847.08 |
| Corporations | | 18.45 | | 18.45 |
| Corporations Domestic | | 1.82 | | 1.82 |
| Total | 347.19 | 352.86 | 167.30 | 867.35 |
| Interest | | | | 86.32 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1936-37

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY WALTER T. MORRIS, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 739.18 | 916.16 | 290.90 | 1,946.24 |
| Corporations | | 25.80 | | 25.80 |
| Corporations (Domestic) | | 2.40 | | 2.40 |
| Securities | 24.17 | | 22.73 | 46.90 |
| Total | 763.35 | 944.36 | 313.63 | 2,021.34 |
| Interest | | | | 169.31 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1937-38

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY WALTER T. MORRIS, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 3,661.47 | 3,108.22 | 557.78 | 7,327.47 |
| Corporations | | 41.12 | | 41.12 |
| Corporations (Domestic) | | 2.74 | | 2.74 |
| Securities | 15.00 | 12.80 | 47.06 | 74.86 |
| Total | 3,676.47 | 3,164.88 | 604.84 | 7,446.19 |
| Interest | | | | 595.67 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1938-39

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY WALTER T. MORRIS, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 23,210.24 | 12,611.29 | 509.18 | 36,330.71 |
| Corporations | | 159.58 | | 159.58 |
| Motors | 170.17 | | | 170.17 |
| Securities | 22.00 | 33.95 | 22.37 | 78.32 |
| Total | 23,402.41 | 12,804.82 | 531.55 | 36,738.78 |
| Interest | | | | 1,665.86 |

**EXHIBIT E.**

TAXES FOR 1939-40

STATEMENT SHOWING AMOUNT OF TAXES COLLECTED BY JAMES J. HADAWAY, TREAS.

| Kind | Collected | Uncollected | Insolvent | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Real and Personal | 175,008.50 | 40,859.79 | 505.25 | 216,373.54 |
| Bank Shares | 1,791.30 | | | 1,791.30 |
| Corporations | 2,744.20 | 725.53 | | 3,469.73 |
| Corporations (Domestic) | 3,962.60 | | | 3,962.60 |
| Motors | 7,631.65 | | | 7,631.65 |
| Non-Stock Corp. (Full Rate) | 9.31 | | | 9.31 |
| Non-Stock Corp. (Sec. Rate) | 297.27 | | | 297.27 |
| Securities | 5,002.70 | 114.97 | 524.93 | 5,642.60 |
| Total | 196,447.53 | 41,700.29 | 1,030.18 | 239,178.00 |
| Interest | | | | 951.58 |

**EXHIBIT F.**

STATEMENT OF ALMS HOUSE AND FARM SHOWING EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTS FROM JUNE 16, 1939 TO JUNE 15, 1940

FARM RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sale of Milk | $ 1,641.44 | |
| Sale of Lambs | 110.00 | |
| Sale of Calves | 242.50 | |
| Sale of Cow | 105.00 | |
| Sale of Wool | 32.48 | |
| Sale of Wheat | 300.30 | |
| Sale of Tomatoes | 622.45 | |
| Sale of Corn | 230.17 | |
| Rebate on Gasoline | 53.60 | |
| Treas. of United States | 276.92 | |
| Treas. of Maryland | 16.66 | |
| Kent Co. Farm Bureau Dividend | 4.42 | |
| Rebate on Fertilizer | 12.92 | $ 3,648.86 |

FARM EXPENSES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Repairs, Implements, Etc. | $ 660.58 | |
| Tenants Share of Milk | 410.26 | |
| Gasoline and Oil | 271.50 | |
| Feed | 437.92 | |
| Fertilizer and Seed | 247.99 | |
| Insurance | 46.01 | |
| Stock | 42.74 | |
| Labor | 752.30 | $ 2,869.30 |
| Net profit on Farm Operations | | $ 779.56 |

**EXHIBIT F.**

EXPENSES OF HOME

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Clothing, Merchandise, Etc. | $ 313.20 | |
| Coal and Freight | 670.00 | |
| Burial and Coffins | 9.00 | |
| Drugs | 40.78 | |
| Groceries | 1,132.85 | |
| Labor | 297.50 | |
| Lumber and Repairs | 906.32 | |
| Elec. Oil, Gas, Paint, Etc. | 238.61 | |
| Seed and Fertilizer | 14.28 | |
| Stoves and Hardware | 40.03 | |
| Salary of Trustees | 120.00 | |
| Salary of Sect. and Treas. | 200.00 | |
| Salary of Supt. | 400.00 | |
| Salary of Matron | 300.00 | |
| Salary of Physician | 150.00 | |
| Telephone | 41.50 | $ 4,874.07 |
| TOTAL Expense for the Year of the Institution | | $ 4,094.51 |
| Orders in Levy 1939-1940 | $ 7,777.61 | |
| Order, 295, issued 1934 | 1.90 | |
| | $ 7,775.71 | |
| Unpaid Bills in 1938-1939 provided for in Levy 1939-40 | 608.89 | |
| | $ 7,166.82 | |
| Warrants issue 1939-40 not presented for payment | 576.55 | |
| | $ 7,743.37 | |

**EXHIBIT G.**

DOG LICENSE FUND

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash balance on hand June 16, 1939 | $ 528.57 | |
| Cash 10% dividend on $8.41 in bank non available | .84 | |
| Cash from sale of Licenses from June 16, 1939 to June 15, 1940 | 1,581.00 | $ 2,110.41 |
| Total Disbursements for loss of Stock, Poultry etc. | $ 944.90 | $ 944.90 |
| Balance on hand by Bank Book June 15, 1940 | | $ 1,165.51 |
| Checks outstanding June 15, 1940 | | |
| Statement as shown by Bank | | |
| Cash in Bank Available | $ 1,161.30 | |
| Cash in Bank Non-available | 4.21 | |
| Total | $ 1,165.51 | |