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A committee, very representative of this school area, is working on a plan to secure a new high school to be located at Chestertown. The plan, as it has progressed to date includes the presentation of facts as to what additional educational facilities a new school would offer over what are now available in the terriable cramped quarters. One has but to visit modern schools in other counties on the Shore to realize how inadequate the one at Chestertown is. In these days of modern education an up-to-date school offers a choice of courses which will prepare the boys and girls, who end their studies upon graduation, as well as those who go to college, that branch that is adaptable to their future work. A further development of this system is impossible without adequate space and facilities. When one visits a modern school and sees laboratories, shops, assembly rooms, etc., they cannot help but realize that the children of this county are not getting value received for the tax money that is being spent. State authorities have been loud in their praise of the faculty of the local school but like a carpenter or mechanic, a good job cannot be done with inadequate tools.. On two previous occasions the voters of Kent County have had a referendum presented for relief of the present conditions. On these occasions it was presented as to whether the tax payers did or did not want a new school, and there were few reasons shown why. Under the present plan, the public will be informed in detail what the new school will offer. It will be a question of whether or not the voters are willing to let Kent County drag in educational facilities or whether or not they want their children to have the advantages offered to children in other counties. The committee working on the project is a citizen's committee representing organizations in the various parts of the county. It is hoped that voters will endeavor to get all facts available before they go to the polls if it comes to a vote. This will assure, at least, an intelligent vote.

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The Commissioners of Kent County are working on a plan which will assure more prompt payment of taxes and thereby save expense to a large group of taxpayers. Some counties in this state have practically eliminated the necessity of selling property for taxes and a study of the tax collecting set-up in these counties is being made. The delinquent taxpayer pays a premium for the delay.

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Senator Arthur Brice was honored by members of the Maryland Senate when he was again chosen as president of that legislative body. The re-election to this all-important position is a great honor and evidence of his ability during the past two years as he was unopposed for the position.

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The recent speech of President Roosevelt in which he advocated more aid to Britain was not only well received in this country but also by all countries that are endeavoring to stop the invasion by the axis hords. With axis partners both to the east and west of us whose policies are take what they can by fair or foul means, we can rest easy only so long as the present Democracies hold out. Our fleet is capable of coping with danger in the Pacific as long as the English fleet is active in the Atlantic. It is for this reason, if none other, that it is to the interests of America that England shall survive.

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The most important issue before the American people in 1941 is the National Defense Program. Every city, town and hamlet will be affected and every individual will be called on to do his or her share. Already a large number of young men from Kent County have enlisted in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and the National Guard as their part in the defense program. These men will give at least a year of their life to military training in the program of building up a large armed force. In the process of the draft, should the emergency continue, all young men in this county who are physically fit and without dependants will be required to take the military training course. Those who are not included in this group will also have to make a sacrifice through taxation and other home defense practices. The public opinion is strongly in favor of the program and it cannot be left entirely to those who are carrying a gun.

Mix together one-quarter cup each peanut butter and lemon juice, one tablespoon sugar, one teaspoon salt and enough evaporated milk to make of spreading consistency. Whip until very light. Spread on raisin bread.

NEWS GATHERED ON PENINSULA

The Rural Electrification Administration has allocated additional funds amounting to $572,000 to the Choptank Co-operative, Inc., of Denton, for the construction of 635 miles of electric lines in seven Eastern Shore counties. The project will consist principally of lines in Wicomico, Somerset and Worcester counties.

A previous allotment of $449,000 was made for construction of 486 miles of line in counties of the central and upper sections of the Eastern Shore. The total amount allocated is now $1,021,000 and is designed to furnish electricity to 2,976 rural residents.

Tonnage hauled through the enlarged Chesapeake and Delaware Canal in 1940 will break all previous records for the use of the canal.

A 1940 freight tonnage total of approximately 3,500,000 is expected for the calendar year. This will be an increase of more than 15 per cent over tonnage carried through the canal in 1939.

Use of the canal has increased steadily as the improvements have continued. Dredging is under way to secure 27 feet "project depth," for the east entrance from the Delaware River to the Reedy Point Bridge. The rest of the canal depth.

Last Saturday afternoon the Council held a special session to take action on the parking ordinance. For some time the Mayor of Easton has advocated parking on Washington and Dover Streets be limited to one hour. The final result was parking meters to be installed in front of the Court House and that parking on the east side of the street be continued for two hours at a time from 7 A. M. until 6 P. M.

Following an organization meeting in Annapolis last month, the Maryland Oystermen's Association has been incorporated, according to a certificate on file with the State Tax Commission.

Purposes of the organization, as set forth in the certificate are:

"To promote general interest in the oyster industry of the State and its natural oyster bars, sponsor methods to increase the yield and quality of oysters from Chesapeake bay and its tributaries, and to do all things, in connection therewith, subject to the laws of the State, which might benefit those engaged in the Maryland oyster industry."

Like the days of prohibition, most everyone believes that liquor is being sold without a license in many colored home in Talbot County. One man was found guilty of this offense on Friday and fined $50 and costs. The testimony proved that two colored girls entered a house on Port Street Saturday night and bought a half a pint of whiskey for which they paid 25 cents. A sandwich was also ordered.

An argument started over something and the proprietor not only threw the girl out of the restaurant but is said to have struck her on the head and kicked her after she was knocked down. He was charged also for assault, and was fined $10 and costs.

United States Senators Tydings and Radcliffe and Congressman David J. Ward will be asked to foster legislation in the next Congress to authorize a survey and an appropriation for the building of a six mile waterway across Worcester county as a part of our national defense.

A committee headed by Mayor John O. Byrd, of Snow Hill, with Mayor E. Wilfred Ross, of Pocomoke City, Calvin P. Pruitt, of Berlin, and Wallace M. Quinn, of Crisfield, was appointed several months ago to study and advance the project, and they have decided the time has arrived to start work to secure funds to build this waterway, which would make a shorter route between Washington, Baltimore, and the Atlantic Ocean.

The proposed waterway would connect the Sinepuxent bay with the Pocomoke river and with Pocomoke Sound, and Mr. Quinn said it would provide a shorter route for the boats engaged in the menhaden fishing industry from their home ports to the fishing grounds, in addition to being a valuable defense project.

Baseboards may be washed at the same time as the floors by the same method. The woodwork also should be cleaned while the room is dismantled. Any woodwork which has an accumulation of soot and grease is more easily cleaned with a good suds, but keep a cake of soap handy to supplement the solution. The unusually greasy spots will surrender more quickly to a cloth rubbed on the soap and applied directly in this concentrated form to the dirt.

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