NOW AND THEN

TO A DEAR LITTLE BOY

To You, a poem, I must write
And fain would justice truly do
To one who gives our hearts delight
Just like a happy dream come true;
With so much joy and sweetness rare
You banish all our gloom and care.
The World looks brighter for your smile
And somehow always you beguile
Our every mood with cheerfulness
That only you can well express!
O may the passing years all show
More of the sweetness now we know,
A better poem I might express
Dear child, if I but loved you less.
So beautiful you are to me
I call you my heart's-rhapsody,
And so I sing as best I can
To love's own little gentleman.
Long may you live, this is my prayer,
Your love with other hearts to share.
God bless and keep you ever; so
In perfectness, your Soul may grow!

—Alice Mathews

POSING FOR A BICYCLE

It was a noted artist who told the story of her first lesson in sketching a human figure. School was out and the art class was ready to go to work. They wanted to sketch a boy so the school boys were called and one was chosen out of the lot. He was a pretty little fellow with clear blue eyes and a very happy expression on his face. Having on a smoke colored sweater, the teacher suggested that he take it off, but he said his mother told him to keep it on, as he had a patch in his shirt, so we took him as he was. I was timid about beginning my sketch but the teacher said "Now study him well, and do not think of any thing, but the subject you are drawing." So I began to take note of his forehead, his nose his mouth, and the shadows around him, as he posed for us. I grew so much interested that I was sorry indeed when the teacher said the time was up, but our little model was not. He started in a run for home, but the boys who had been rejected began to tease. "Oh you sissy," they said, having your picture took." He did not mind it however for he felt in his pocket for his dollar, and said, "No, I am posing for a bicycle", and ran on.

I have painted many a picture since, and some are hanging in art galleries, but that little picture of the boy in his smoke colored sweater still hangs in my room, one of the most cherished of my brush."

Where is Bernard Shaw? It seems that a curtain has been let down between us and England, and we hear no more of the interesting people. Only Winston Churchill stands out clearly in the lime light and perhaps Lady Astor who is doing fine things for the war workers and for the many who have lost their all. The last we heard of Mr. Shaw was when he said that Germany had idea what she was getting into, when she was thinking of invading England for an Englishman was hard to beat. The radio and the newspapers have plenty to tell of the destruction and desolation that is going on in this war torn world but there is nothing said of the individual heroes though there is no doubt there are many, many of them.

GREECE

She stands out among the little ountries that are fighting for freedom and their country. She has had an intensely interesting history, her culture was renowned, her statues and her temples have been and those that remain are the most beautiful in the world. Greece has been conquered many a time, and often has become a subject nation, but the bravery of her people still exists. Who does not remember how the three hundred heroic Spartans stood at the straits fo Thermopolye keeping back Xerxe, great host of soldiers at that narrow pass. It was only when betrayed and the enemy found another way to enter the country that they were overcome, and they with their brave commander, Leonidas, the three hundred fell fighting until the last. For many years after, the great rock above the straits bore this inscription. "Go, stranger! tell at Sparta, that we died in obedience to her laws."

Robert Louis Stevenson appears on a recent Samoan stamp; the English essayist, novelist and poet spent his declining years in Samoa, and lies buried there. Stevenson is a newcomer on stamps, though his home and his tomb were shown on Western Samoa stamps issued in 1935. The tomb, surrounded by dense forest, bears a bronze plate which, visible in this stamp's design, is inscribed with these verses written by Stevenson for his own tombstone:

Under the wide and starry sky
Dig a grave and let me lie.
Glad did I live and gladly die,
And I laid me down with a will.

This be the verse you grave for me:
Here he lies where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor, home from the sea
And the hunter home from the hill.

American Family Income
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Wins Suit Against Havre de Grace

The civil suit of Mr. A. Freeborn Brown, former city attorney, against the City of Havre de Grace for fees in the amount of $10,000 was tried this week in the Circuit Court for Harford County, before Judge Frederick Lee Cobourn and a jury.

Many witnesses were called during the four days, beginning Monday and testimony was concluded Thursday. The jury brought in a verdict in favor of Mr. Brown, the city to pay the costs. Mr. Brown already held $2,042.03 of the city's money, collected from water rents when he was city solicitor. The jury awarded him that amount, together with $1,000.

Burned To Death

Last Wednesday afternoon while burning brush alongside a wooded tract John Wesley Baker, aged 81, was burned to death when the flames engulfed his body and he was unable to extinguish them. His body was found in a field with all the clothing burned off him except his shoes, and the laces in these had been burned. His body was as brown as a berry, said those who saw it.

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EXHIBIT N

STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE KENT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND WITNESS CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE CIRCUIT COURT, 1940, AND PAYABLE OCTOBER 1, 1941

Assessments	$ 393.63
Circuit Court	
Witnesses April Term, 1940	28.75
Witnesses October Term, 1940	108.28
Sheriff and Jail	
Maintenance	64.26
Supplies	6,963.38
Fees	1,576.69
Transportation of Prisoners	759.37
Inquisitions	404.79
Magistrates and Constables	2,414.64
Reformation and State Schools	2,908.04
Incorporated Towns	690.46
Live Stock Sanitary Service	796.10
Refund of Taxes	25.99
Total	$ 17,134.38

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Equalization Fund	2,672.00	
Reduction County Taxation	5,384.25	
Vocational Fund	103.07	20,767.47
FROM OTHER SOURCES		
Licenses and Fines	161.80	
Tuition Fees from Patrons	37.50	199.30
SALE OF PROPERTY		
Buildings and Grounds	236.15	
Books and Materials	47.95	
Contributions	1.56	
Insurance Refunds	3.67	
Libraries	105.00	394.33
		$ 78,400.70
DISBURSEMENTS		
General Control:		
Office Expense	$ 261.92	
Printing and Advertising	116.35	
Board Members' Allowance	100.00	
Salary of Superintendent	1,287.50	
Travel Expense of Superintendent	208.38	
Salary of Clerk	667.69	
Salary of Attendance Officer	500.00	
Travel Expense of Attendance Officer	200.00	
Other Costs of General Control	75.25	3,417.09
Instructional Service:		
Salaries of Teachers:		
White Elementary	17,807.13	
White High	14,720.00	
Colored Elementary	6,654.06	
Colored High	2,391.49	
Teachers' Meetings	50.00	
Text Books	1,924.55	
Summer School Allowances	269.00	
Materials of Instruction	1,177.98	
Evening Schools	252.00	
Travel Expenses	53.79	
Salary of Supervisor (White)	1,100.00	
Salary of Supervisor (Colored)	300.00	
Travel Expense of White Supervisor	200.00	
Travel Expense of Colored Supervisor	60.00	
Other Costs of Instruction	30.52	46,990.52
Operation of Plant:		
Janitor's Wages	2,223.00	
Janitors' Supplies	477.35	
Fuel	2,646.55	
Water, Light and Power	214.46	
Other Costs of Operation	149.80	5,711.16
Maintenance of Plant:		
Repair of Building and Upkeep of Grounds	3,323.35	
Repair and Replacement of Equipment	1,070.45	4,393.80
Auxiliary Agencies:		
School Libraries	35.52	
Transportation	12,611.84	
Other Auxiliary Agencies	42.57	12,689.93
Fixed Charges:		
Insurance	299.49	
Contributions	15.00	244.49
Capital Outlay:		
Equipment, New	44.48	44.48
Total Disbursements		73,491.47
Balance on hand December 31, 1940		4,909.23
		$ 78,400.70

EXHIBIT L

MISCELLANEOUS DISBURSEMENTS BY ORDERS

Thomas Tucker, Fighting Forest Fire	$ 13.20
Dr. H. G. Simpers, Examination of Emory Hynson	5.00
Dr. Frank Hines, Examination of Kennard McGinness	10.00
Allen Urie, Fighting Forest Fire	2.40
Emmett Wood, Fighting Forest Fire	2.40
Harry Esenwein, Fighting Forest Fire	1.20
Thomas Tucker, Fighting Forest Fire	3.60
Randolph Burgess, Fighting Forest Fire	1.20
John Hersch, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Clift Simms, Fighting Forest Fire	1.20
Hiram Crew, Fighting Forest Fire	1.20
Franklin Davis, Fighting Forest Fire	1.60
Weldon Joyner, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Emory Hogans, Fighting Forest Fire	1.60
Joe Avitone, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Lester Crouch, Fighting Forest Fire	1.20
George Williams, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Weldon Kelley, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Burgess Tucker, Fighting Forest Fire	.80
Dr. S. Holt Wright, Extraction—1 Prisoner	1.00
Dr. Frank W. Smith, Examination of James Clark	5.00
Dr. S. Holt Wright, Extraction—2 Prisoners	3.00
Dr. H. G. Simpers, Examination of Goldie Mable	5.00
J. M. Bye, Surveying Pudding Branch Ditch	53.00
Kent News, Advertising Tax Ditch Notice	4.75
Dr. Frank Hines, Examination of Goldie Mable, Clarence Taylor, Jr.	10.00
Dr. Frank W. Smith, Examination of Clarence Taylor, Jr.	5.00
James J. Hadaway, Treas., Property Bought at Tax Sale	1,031.21
Dr. Frank Hines, Examination of Henry Fogwell	5.00
H. Stockton Startt, Auctioneer, Tax Sales	53.00
Harrison W. Vickers, Attorney at Tax Sales	53.00
Enna B. Lewis, Clerk's Fees at Tax Sales	26.50
Kent News, Advertising Tax Sales	104.00
Transcript, Advertising Tax Sales	126.00
Total	$ 1,536.06

EXHIBIT M

SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND, FOR YEAR 1941, AS SHOWN BY THE ASSESSMENT BOOKS OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REAL AND PERSONAL

1st District	$3,043,840.00	
2nd District	2,959,545.00	
3rd District	2,306,445.00	
4th District	2,809,095.00	
5th District	2,057,980.00	
6th District	1,593,830.00	
7th District	1,512,765.00	
Total		$16,283,500.00

Bank Shares and Trust Companies—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Corporation—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Corporations (Domestic)—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Corporations (Special)—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Motor Vehicles—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Non-Stock Corp. (Full Rate)—Report not in from State Tax Com.
Non-Stock Corp. (Sec. Rate)—Report not in from State Tax Com.

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EXHIBIT J

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS OF KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND

NAME OF BONDS		Date Issued	Original Issue	Outstanding 12-31-40	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
					Number of $1,000.00 Bonds paid yearly											
Kent County Public Road	4½%	7-1-29	900,000	20,000	20											
Public Slag or Stone Road	4½%	7-1-29	100,000	40,000	10	10	10	10								
Funding	4%	1-1-36	60,000	60,000		10	10	10	10	10	10					
Funding	4%	7-1 36	45,000	45,000								10	10	10	10	5
Road	4%	7-1-36	35,000	35,000		5	5	5	5	5	5	5				
TOTAL				200,000	30	25	25	25	15	15	15	15	10	10	10	5