NEWS GATHERED ON PENINSULA

Five Years For Perjury

Last week the Wicomico County land Penitentiary on Methvin, of Westover, who was found guilty of subordination of perjury on charges growing out of a $10,000 automobile accident damage suit.

William H. Ross, 47-year-old garageman, from New Church, Va. convicted of giving false testimony in the suit, also received a five-year sentence. Howard W. Lundgren, Crisfield truck driver, also convicted for perjury, was given two and a half years. Lundgren testified for the State.

Methvin's son, Charles, was killed in the accident involving his car and one of the company's trucks.

Lundgren testified that Methvin paid him $25 for false testimony which he gave in the damage suit. Grand Jury brought in a true bill in the case of the Methvin-Stevens damage suit, the bill charging certain witnesses for Methvin with perjury, and Methvin himself for subordination of perjury.

Since then, the case has been tried, the accused found guilty and Chief Judge Benjamin A. Johnson imposed a sentence of five years in the Mary-

The Board of County Commissioners of Wicomico met on the last day of March and passed the County's budget for the ensuing year at a total of $482,648.77, fixing the tax rate the same as last year, $1.19.

The Board faced many new demands for new projects and increase in others. Among its additional expenses is $10,000 levied to city, in addition to the share of the gasoline tax; appropriated for the Pocomoke River project of drainage and cleaning up; an increase of several thousands of dollars in the school bonds redemption; and other items amounting in the whole to 8 to ten cents in rate.

Fifty-six NYA project workers, all colored women, engaged in making mattresses in a large room on the third floor of a frame building at Princess Anne, were trapped by fire which destroyed the structure at noon Monday.

Two women were killed jumping from a third story window to the ground. Two other persons were burned to death, unable to reach safety. Sixteen women were horribly burned and were rushed to a Salisbury hospital, where two died. The death toll today stands at six.

The fire started when a small coal oil stove exploded on the second floor, burning the stairway and cutting off means of escape. There were no fire escapes on the outside of the frame three-storied building. Those that jumped to safety sustained broken legs, arms, backs and other injuries.

Today authorities are conducting a sweeping investigation.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents effected the arrest last Saturday of Cleveland Jack Cunningham, colored, of near Stockton on a charge of violating the Selective Service Act marking the first arrest of this kind made in Worcester County since the induction of men into the U. S. Army for a year's training was begun last November 28th.

Cunningham, whose father resides in Pennsylvania, had refused to fill out his induction questionnaire and return it to the Worcester County Local Selective Service Board, at Snow Hill.

The colored man is now being held as a Federal prisoner in the Cambridge, Md., jail pending trial. He faces a maximum sentence of five years in prison or a fine of $10,000 or both, under the Federal law.

The bill authorizing the State Roads Commission to buy the Claiborne-Annapolis Ferry passed in the closing hours of the Legislature session, after having been introduced tw months before. The transfer of this property to the State will probably be affected before June 1st.

The Federal government will institute condemnation proceedings to take in all that block in Annapolis where the Ferry terminla is, the lumber mill and on up the street for several blocks. This will make necessary a new terminal in Annapolis, if this is done at once. Of course the State will eventually abandon Annapolis as a terminal and go to Sandy Point.

Report has it that Federal government will contribute heavily to this terminal and that the State wlil build it and the road to main highway. If this is done then the running time between shores will be less than twenty minutes.

How soon the State will take up the Sandy Point proposition is not known. It will require a very long pier, much deepning of the channel on both sides of the bay, and it could not be done inside of a year. So if the Federal Government takes over the Annapolis property, then another Annapolis terminal will be needed before the Sandy Point terminal can be built.

At the meeting of the Elkton Town Council, Wednesday evening, the proposition to go on daylight saving time, during the coming summer, was voted down.

The bill to authorize the State Roads Commission to reopen the double deck bridge between Havre de Grace and Perryville under the same toll as used on the new bridge, was passed, and it is presumed the Governor will sign the measure.

Due to the fact that a portion of the proposed government houses, numbering about 1,000, located on the new housing corporations at Aberdeen, Havre de Grace and Edgewood are now being constructed, and when completed, the question of accepting children from same in Harford county schools will no doubt be raised, the board unanimoulsy passed the following resolution and ordered copies sent to the school principals at the above places, also to the commanding officers at Aberdeen Proving Ground and Edgewood Arsenal, and to the County Commissioners of Harford County.

"Whereas, the present Harford county school buildings are entirely inadequate to accommodate the children from the houses now being constructed by the U. S. Housing Authority at Aberdeen, Havre de Grace and Edgewood, and

"Whereas, due to lack of school facilities and inability of the Board of Education to furnish same at the rates offered by the Housing Authority, no agreement has been reached whereby these children can be care for by Harford county,

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the principals be notified that it will be impossible to accept for enrollment any children from the new reservations until such time as provisions are made for buildings and operation costs for such pupils."

William A. Codd, chief auditor for the State Roads Commission, has announced changes in the toll rates over the Susquehanna River bridge, effective today as follows:

Classification 3—Two-axle vehicles including trucks and tractors, animal drawn vehicles, and through buses, 25 cents.

Classification 6—Two-axle vehicles including trucks and tractors, animal draw vehicles, and buses, 20 cents.

Charged with the destruction of property belonging to William A. Fisher, John S. Johnson was found guilty in Circuit Court.

Johnson and Fisher are neighboring farmers near Colora. It is alleged they quarreled over the shooting of a dog that had killed four sheep. Shortly after midnight on December 24, two gun shots were fired at Fisher's house, damaging several windows and part of a tin roof. Mrs. Fisher testified she recognized Johnson as the man who fired the shots.

The court ordered the sheriff to hold the accused in custody until April 9, when sentence will be imposed.

SUGGESTIONS TO MEN CALLED FOR ARMY SERVICE

Local Selective Service boards today instructed by Lt. Col. Henry C. Stanwood, State Director of Selective Service to warn all registrants ordered to report for induction under the Selective Service System to arrange their affairs so as to prevent undue personal hardship if they are rejected at Army induction stations.

Pointing out that there are instances when men sent to induction stations by local boards are rejected on physical or other grounds by Army examiners, Colonel Stanwood said that it is the intention of State Headquarters to reduce to a minimum any injustices to registrants involved in such cases.

One of the outstanding possibilities of inequity to rejected registrants centers on the fact that they have severed their employment connections when ordered to report for induction, Colonel Stanwood said.

Local boards, therefore, should advise registrants when they are notified of their call that they should point out to their employers the possibility that they will not be accepted at the induction station.

"The employer can then be prepared to replace the man if he is accepted," Colonel Stanwood said, "or to continue his employment if he is rejected."

GALENA

Mr. L. R. VanSant returned home last Monday after a week's visit with his daughter, Mrs. Terry Mitchell in Waynesboro, Pa.

Mrs. A. L. Beaston entertained the Card Club at her home last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Slack, of Wilmington, were Sunday guests at the home of her mother, Mrs. George R. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ireland returned home last Monday after a three month's stay in Annapolis.

Mrs. William Bodther, of Glenolden, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Louise Longlors and father, Mr. Ray Prettyman.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Glass and daughter spent a few days in Baltimore this week.

Mr. nad Mrs. Julian Davis of Cecilton, formerly of Galena are receiving congratulation upon the birth of a daughter in St. Frances Hospital The little girl has been named Patrica.

Mrs. Harry Walsh, of Baltimore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Woodall is a patient in St. Frances Hospital, recovering from a sinus operation.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Mcosh Walls of near town was partly destroyed by fire last Tuesday but through the efforts of the Millington Fire Company, other buildings were saved.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown of Quinhurst, Del., Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker of Laurel, Del., were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson. Little Suzanne Wilson returned home with the former for a visit.

Roll out rich pastry, spread with ground blanched almonds mixed to a paste with a little unbeaten white sugar to sweeten and drop of almond extract. Roll like a jelly roll, cut in one-quarter-inch slices and bake in a moderately hot oven until done.

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