LOCAL FARMERS TO VOTE ON CROP QUOTA PROGRAM NEXT FRIDAY

BALLOTS TO DECIDE QUOTA PROVISIONS

The ballot which Americans have long used to determine national policies will be used by wheat farmers May 31 to decide an important economic policy says R. O. Stelzer, executive office of the AAA in Maryland. On May 31, wheat farmers of Kent county will join with those of the rest of the Nation in deciding whether or no tto have marketing quotas.

Mr. Stelzer states that each wheat community in the country will have its polling place, and three local wheat farmers will be in charge of the referendum. They are responsible for posting public notices of the referendum and for seeing that each eligibel farmer has an opportunity to cast his voice in secret.

When the voting is concluded, the counting of the ballots will be public. When Kent county results have been compiled, they will be sent to the State AAA office. National results will be compiled by the Department of Agriculture in Washington.

All farmers affected by the wheat quotas may cast a vote. Mr. Stelzer urges each wheat farmer to find out from his community or county committeeman whether he is eligible. If two-thirds of the farmers voting approve, the quota will become effective.

"The defense emergency makes the referendum question all the more important," Mr. Stelzer points out. "While the preparedness program calls for a good sized reserve, it also needs some provision for handling the large supply so that wheat prices will not be depressed. This is done under quotas by storing the surplus and dividing the available market equitably. Whether this it to be done will be decided by the farmers voting in the referendum on May 31."

In the wheat marketing quota referendum May 31, wheat farmers will decide how they want to handle a supply of wheat big enough to last nearly two years.

Always in the past, over-supply has meant low prices for the farmer, he states, pointing out that in the early 30's wheat supplies in this country exceeded a billion bushels, and the price went down to the world level, which was then approximately 35 cents a bushel.

In 1940, supplies once more exceeded a billion bushels, as a result of war blockades and economic barriers which decreased our export markets. Despite the fact that the world markets were depressed by an excess of wheat in all of the exporting countries, the cash return to AAA program cooperators was double the world price.

The prospective wheat supply for this year is nearly 1¼ billion bushels The Ever Normal Granary is full, and export outlets are fewer than they were last year or in the early 30's.

SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE SAYS NO HALF-WAY MEASURES

In a recent speech by Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard, he declared that this is no time for half-way measures, and that the food and munitions America is producing must reach Britain safely and quickly if the United States is to be defended. Authoritative figures were obtained during th econference, which show that British imports of all products hav edropped from the rate of 65 million tons per year before the war to 27 million tons, due to shipping losses. Thirty-five million tons have been regarded as the danger line, he said. Normal food imports have been at 22 million tons per year, but this has ben cut to 12 million tons. Recently, however, this amount was increased to 14 million tons at the expense of munitions imports, badly as they are needed, because of the growing food shortage.

SHORTAGE OF PASTURES IN MAYLAND MAKES GRAIN FEEDING ESSENTIAL

Feed grain to dairy cows this summer, rather than let them depend on pastures alone, and thereby help expand dairy production under the Nation's food for defense program, Dr. Kenneth L. Turk, head of the dairy husbandry department at the University of Maryland urges Maryland dairy farmers.

A suggested "defense ration" for milk cows is 1 pound of grain for each 4 or 5 pounds of milk produced, he says. He adds that silage made from grasses and legumes or corn silage is an excellent feed to supplement pastures.

It will be especially important to feed grain when pastures start to dry out or when they show signs of being eaten down. At the same time, there is definite value in feeding grain right now, when pastures are green, in order to hold up milk production.

"If dairy production is going to be expanded 6 to 8 percent to help supply our defense needs, farmers need to stretch out the heavy milking season of their cows an extra month or so," Dr. Turk points out. "There's lots of feed grain on hand. Farmers need to turn this feed into dairy products."

Farmers are given assurance by the U. S. Department of Agriculture that feed supplies will be available at stabilized prices through continuation of the Commodity Credit Corporation's present policy of releasing corn at the loan price plus certain carrying charges, and through continuing corn loans for the next two years at their present level.

Dr. Turk says that lack of rainfall in Maryland has decreased the quality of pastures and it is important to feed grains and other feeds liberally in order to hold up production.

Social Security Official Here Next Monday

Announcement is made that Mr. Norman P. Foster, Manager of the Salisbury Field Office of the Social Security Board, will be in Chestertown on Monday next, May 26.

He will be available for interview on that day at the Post Office between the hours of 1 and 3 P. M.

TO BE SCENE OF HOLY CITY PAGEANT SUNDAY NIGHT

Bond Chapel, one of Kent's Older Methodist Churches

Tomorrow night, Sunday, at 8:30 P. M., a pageant, entitled "Let Us Sing," on the lawn at Bond Chapel with a large cast. Special lighting effects and decorations will add to the occasion.

The program will consist of group singing, soloists, quartettes, both instrumental and vocal, special numbers by boys and girls including boy and girl scouts. Special stage settings have been arranged for the various numbers and all in all it promises to be both an entertaining and spiritual evening.

The fire company band, under the direction of Mr. Julian Coleman, will add to the occasion.

MANY VISITORS IN AND AROUND ROCK HALL

Wesley Chapel Sunday School had 177 present on Sunday. The morning sermon was delivered by Mr. Ralph Bean. The evening service was in charge of Miss Mary Carroll and Burgess Tucker. There were several musical numbers. Miss Evelyn Townsend gave a pretty piano solo. A duet by Oliver Frazier and Randolph Burgess. Next Sunday, May 25 will be Children's Day. The Sunday school hour will be in charge of the Primary Department. At night Washington College will present a pageant.

Dr. J. C. Byrd and family will leave Wesley Chapel and take up their new appointment at Sharptown. He will be succeeded by Rev. O. G. Brewer.

Rock Hall Sunday school had 135 present on Sunday. Prof. Bayard Ayres acted as superintendent as Mr. Stanley Grant was at Conference. Rev. Estella Gibbons was the guest speaker for the day.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Byrd spent several days this week at Parksley, Va.

Mrs. William Clothier and son, of Worton, spent last week with her mother, Mrs. Beulah Elmore and family in Piney Neck.

Dr. and Mrs. Francis Judefind, of Loma Linda, California, were visitors here several days last week, staying with the former's aunt, Miss Mary Judefind.

Mr. Bertha Clark is spending sometime in Baltimore with her daughter, Mrs. Robert Kenney, and family.

Thomas Tucker, Leroy Warner and Wilmer Smith enjoyed the ball game in Washington on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCleary and son, of Baltimore, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Grant.

Mrs. Elmer Willson, of Camden, N. J., spent several days last week with her father, Mr. David Ayres.

Warren Hadaway spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hadaway.

Miss Julia Davis, a student nurse in a Baltimore hospital, spent several days this week with her sister, Mrs. Wilmer Smith and family. She returned to her duties by plane accompanied by her sister Mrs. Smith with Mr. Ralph Maginnis.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Rodney entertained a party of friends from Baltimore on Sunday. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. John Forrester and family, and Miss Ida Mae Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Walbert, Miss Doris and John Legg, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Legg, Mrs. Ruth Dickerson and daughter Patty spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Legg and family.

Mrs. John Wood is quite sick in St. Agnes Hospital. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. John Bramble, of Washington, D. C., was a visitor here last week of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Mary Forsythe, of Baltimore, is spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wagner and family.

Rev. James Wesley Parris a retired Methodist Protestant Minister, of Olney, Md., died at the Maryland General Hospital last week aged 84 years. He served Wesley Chapel Church in 1904-1905-1906. He was born at Felton, Del., and was educated in the Delaware public schools and for a time taught school in the high school at Harrington, Del. He prepared for the ministry at Western Maryland College and during his active career held charges in Maryland, Virginia, Baltimore and Pennsylvania. He is survived by his widow the former Miss Clara Deck and two sons, Paul and Sheridan Parris.

Miss Mary Judefind spent several days in Washington, D. C., with relatives.

Mrs. Florence Wilkins was a visitor in Betterton on Sunday.

Fairlee P. T. A. To Present Play

On Wednesday, May 28th, the play "Pepping Up The P. T. A." under the direction of Mrs. Leonard Needles will be given at the Fairlee school.

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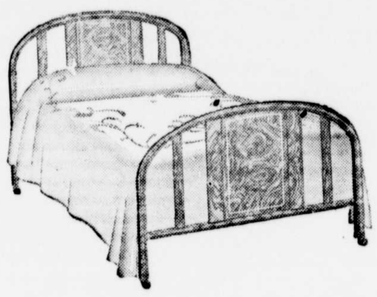

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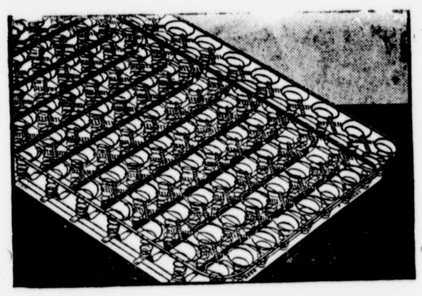

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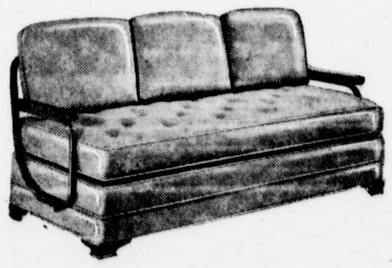

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