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VOL. 49, NO. 7 BETHESDA, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1936 ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

BETHESDA LAUNCHES FIGHT ON OLD GEORGETOWN ROAD STATE ACTION DEMANDED

Buckley Names Steering Committee To Conduct Campaign

Bethesda's fight for the improvement of Old Georgetown Road is assuming major proportions calculated to arouse the State Roads Commission to action.

Up to the present nothing has been heard from the Roads Commission in spite of the stir already created by the Bethesda Chamber of Commerce.

Tuesday night there was a meeting of Chairman William Buckley's Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which authorized the appointment of a special steering and legislative committee to go to Baltimore and Annapolis and get definite action. Pressure is to be put on both Governor Nice, and the head of the State Roads Commission.

The fighting committee consists of William Buckley, Chairman: B. W. Parker, Vice-Chairman; A. R. Townshend, Jr., Secretary; and Samuel Stonebraker and Harry Walsh. Early in the New Year this committee will meet with delegations from the A.A.A. the Keystone Motor Club, and delegations from various civic bodies of the county, to formulate a definite plan of action.

Back of the movement 100 per cent are Miss Ruth Shoemaker, and Joseph Cantral, members of the county delegation in the Maryland Legislature.

FARMERS URGE INCOME PARITY WITH INDUSTRY

Farm Problem National

Parity of income with other industry will continue to be the chief objective in the work of the American Farm Bureau Federation, according to C. E. Wise, Jr., secretary of the Maryland Farm Bureau who returned last week from the annual meeting of the organization in Pasadena, California. Considered most important by delegates from all sections of the country was the resolution calling for continuance of a national program, and the revision and amendment of that program, whether in the form of AAA or Domestic Allotment Act, until farmers are getting a fairer share of the national income, Mr. Wise reports.

"Delegates favored a managed currency on an index of basic commodity prices, and urged that soils conservation administration not be turned back to the state until 1940.

WOMEN'S DEMOCRAT CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Young Women's Democratic Club of Silver Spring the following officers were elected.

President, Miss Anna Snure; Miss Kathryn Culter, vice-president; Miss Genevieve Huless, recording secretary; Mrs. John C. Livingston, corresponding secretary; Miss Marie Buscher, treasurer, and Miss Eleanor Cissel, sergeant at arms. Mrs. Towley Gamble is retiring president.

ENTERPRISE FARMERS MEET SANDY SPRING

At the December meeting of the Enterprise Farmers' Club held at the home of Albert Stabler, Edgewood, approval of proposed widening of Snells Bridge-Olney, was voted on condition the highway was made a through road.

A. Rust Canby presided.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Maurice Stabler.

G.O.P. MAY HOLD CONVENTION SOON

A proposal for a Republican national convention to meet next year to draft party policy and point the G. O. P. toward the Congressional elections of 1938 and the Presidential contest of 1940 is being discussed in Washington.

Robert V. Lucas, former executive director of the Republican national committee, suggested such a nation-wide grass-roots convention as a direct method of effecting party re-organization.

Lucas said there should be new selections of delegates representative of the party. The chairman and committee would be charged with effecting party policies as drafted by the policy convention.

Montgomery Opens Health Clinic

As part of a State-wide drive against social diseases, the Montgomery Health Department opened a clinic in the county building at Silver Spring this week. Clinics are already being operated at Rockville and Damascus.

The clinic here will be held each Monday night, with Dr. C. W. Mitchell in charge. Members of the Silver Spring-Woodside Public Health Lay Committee assist in sponsoring the clinic.

The dental clinic, is scheduled to open in the county building January 111. It will take care of children in the first three grades of the local schools, including the parochial and Seventh-day Adventist institutions.

Buy Christmas Seals

Help Fight Tuberculosis

LANDON VISITS ROOSEVELT KANSAS GOVERNOR LIKELY G. O. P. CANDIDATE IN 1940

Governor Alf. M. Landon visited President Roosevelt at the White House this week.

Emerging from his half hour conference with the President Governor Landon said:

"We just swapped fishing lies. We also talked about our grandchildren He told me about his South American trip and I told him about my Florida fishing."

From inside sources close to both Governor Landon and John Hamilton, it is learned that Governor Landon fully hopes to be the Republican standard bearer four years hence. His closest friends point out that a candidate who could poll nearly 17,000,000 votes against President Roosevelt, and in the face of tremendous odds, is not a weakling, but a strong man.

It is further expected that campaign issues will develop aplenty during the next four years and give the Republicans a break.

NEW STABILIZATION PLAN FOR LOW COST ROADS ANNOUNCED BY S.R.C.

A program calling for progressive improvement and stabilization of low-cost roads throughout the State is announced by Dr. H. E. Tabler, Chairman of the State Roads Commission. Under the plan adopted by the Commission, it is expected that the State not only will be able to build smoother, safer, all-weather wearing surfaces, but that the maintenance costs will be reduced considerably.

One of the important steps in the development of each project by stages is the construction of a stabilized wearing surface by scientific methods of road soil stabilization. The United States Bureau of Public Roads has been developing this process and the State Roads engineers are following the procedure recommended.

"Road soil stabilization is destined to repalce the old haphazard, costly methods of maintaining gravel and dirt roadways and pavement shoulders," said Dr. Tabler.

In Montgomery there are already two specimens of the earlier stages of the work being done under the program out of the county's allotment of road funds. Stretches of both the Comus and the Vier's Mill roads have ben widened to 30 feet and subjected to drainage treatment. Later they will be stabilized and given surface treatment.

The stretch on the Comus road is a mile and a half and that on the Vier's Mill road two and a third miles.

Getzendanner Rites Held In Bethesda

Funeral services for Franklin C. Getzendanner, chief of the finance section of the United States Tariff Commission, were held Tuesday at W. R. Pumphrey's undertaking establishment, 7005 Wisconsin avenue, Bethesda, Md.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Getzendanner; a daughter, Mrs. George A. Bonhag and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Windsor Offutt, both of Bethesda; two brothers, Capt. H. C. Getzendanner and Lewis Getzendanner, of Charles Town, W. Va., and two sisters, Miss Phoebe Getzendanner and Mrs. John Briscoe, also of Charles Town.

Farmers Plant Huge Winter Wheat Crop

Six Hundred Million Bushel Yield Predicted By Government

A winter wheat crop of "more than 600,000,000 bushels" next year is estimated by the Agriculture Department as "by far the largest of record."

The crop reporting board estimated farmers had planted 57,187,000 acres to winter wheat this fall, or 15 per cent more than the 49,688,00 acres seeded last fall.

Rye was estimated at 7,673,000 acres the fall, or 17.2 per cent larger than the 6,547,000 acres sown in the fall of 1935.

Rye production was estimated at 25,554,0 0 bushels on December 1, or less than half the 1935 yield of 58,597,000 bushels, and also well below the five-year average of 38,212,000 bushels for 1928-32.

KENSINGTON

A Candle-light service, conducted by the Sunday School, will be held in the Presbyterian Church on Christmas night.

A service of Christmas Carols will be held in Christ Church Christmas Eve at 11:30 o'clock and Holy Communion will be administered at midnight.

A joint meeting of the Guild and Auxiliary of Christ Church was held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. H. M. Milburn, president of the Guild.

The following officers were elected: for the Guild—Vice-President, Mrs. Geo. C. Shinn; Secretary—Mrs. H. Fairfield Butt; Treasurer—Mrs. E. A. Farrell. The Auxiliary named these officers: President, Mrs. Richard Burbank; Vice-president, Mrs. Harry Wanner; Sec'y: Mrs. Edmund Noyes; Treasurer, Mrs. H. O. Trowbridge.

The Community Christmas tree, at the corner of Conn. avenue and Baltimore Sts., sponsored by the local Fire Dept. was lighted on Monday evening. A large gathering of citizens attended the ceremonies and, in the absence of Mayor Saunders, Councilman Raymond Burgdof made an address.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hall of Durham, S. C., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Hall's mother, Mrs. Casper G. Dickson.

Mr. R. C. Kennedy of Syracuse, N. Y. is spending the Winter with his sister, Mrs. Vosbugh. The Vosburghs recently purchased the Scott house on Prospect St.

Mr. George C. Reid, Foreman of the C.C.C. camp at Ocean City, Md., and Mr. Dick Reid, a senior at Tome School, Port Deposit, Md., are with their parents, Mr. and Mr.. Conrad Reid for the holidays. Mr. and Mrs. Reid and daughters are living at 11 Prospect St.

Among the students at home are, Miss Catharine Waybright from Western Maryland, and Mr. Robert Weston, from Duke University.

GARRETT PARK XMAS SERVICES

In St. James Chapel there will be Holy Communion and preaching at 9 o'clock Christmas morning. All Christmas music will be repeated Sunday following.

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