-: COMMUNITY NEWS :-

Laytonsville

Mrs. C. W. Mullinix, who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. Dorsey Plummer, in Gaithersburg, due to illness, returned to her home last week.

Mrs. J. Thomas has been confined to her bed with gripe. Windsor Barber is also on the sick list.

Mrs. Cecil Barksdale, of Atlanta, Ga., arrived at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Plummer, on Sunday.

The farm of the late Elisha Riggs, of near Unity, was sold last week to Mr. Seal, who formerly rented the farm from the late Conrad Royer, recently bought by Gillis Owings.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Praley are the proud parents of a daughter, born at Montgomery County General Hospital Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Morris, of Washington, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Morris' parents, Rev. and Mrs. M. L. Pearnow, at the Southern Methodist parsonage. Miss Louise Pearnow and friend, Miss Virginia Davis, of Staunton, Va., who attend State Teachers College, at Fredericksburg, were also recent guests of Rev. and Mrs. Pearnow.

The rector, Dr. Thomas F. Opie, announced that the electric organ recently installed in St. John's Church, Olney, will be dedicated to the memory of Mrs. L. C. Probert on May 15. Lyman McCrary, organist of the National City Christian Church, in Washington, will give a recital.

Dr. Mary Harris Armour, of Georgia, will deliver an address in the Laytonsville M. E. Church, Thursday, May 7, at 8 p. m. Dr. Armour is national director of the evangelistic department of the W. C. T. U., and is one of the finest lecturers in the country.

Mrs. Geoffrey Griffith was hostess to the bridge club on Tuesday. Her guests included Mrs. William T. Warfield, Mrs. Edward Blunt, Mrs. Z. M. Waters, Mrs. Uriah Griffith, Mrs. Elgee Riggs, Mrs. Samuel Riggs, Jr., Miss Maude Dorsey, Mrs. Wm. Mobley, Miss Lula Bell, Mrs. Vestus Wilcox, Mrs. Greenberry Griffith, Mrs. W. W. Griffith, Mrs. John Larcombe, Mrs. Remus Riggs, Mrs. Thomas Stewart and Mrs. Henry Griffith. Miss Bell won first prize, and Mrs. Uriah Griffith was awarded consolation prize.

Mrs. Nettie Hawkins and Mrs. Ernest Hawkins will be joint hostesses to the Etchison Aid Society on Thursday, May 7, the occasion of the annual election of officers.

Rev. and Mrs. Edgar H. Showacre and son, Harold, of Laurel, were Sunday visitors of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. A. Ledford.

Hyattstown

Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Shotta, of Baltimore, were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Norwood.

Miss Ritchie Benson, of Chevy Chase, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. E. F. Harris.

Mrs. Gertrude Murphy has returned from Rockville, where she visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Cecil.

Mr. Floyd Horine and Mrs. E. M. Horine visited Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Darrow, of Hyattsville, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Karn, of Rockville.

Mrs. W. V. Burdette, Mrs. L. M. Stone and Mrs. O. C. Barnes visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Burdette, of Brookeville, during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey King and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Binnex and family, of Lewisdale, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Burdette on Sunday.

Mas Elizabeth Horine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Horine, is reported much improved in health. Miss Horine is a patient at Sibley Hospital, Washington, where she was recently operated upon for appendicitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Russell and family, of Washington, spent Sunday with Mrs. Russell's mother, Mrs. Gertrude Murphy.

The Christian Endeavor of the Christian Church will meet Sunday at 6:30 p. m. The subject for discussion will be "What Shall I Do For a Living?" Leader, Norman Horman.

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Damascus

Mrs. Harriett Elizabeth Duvall, 85, widow of Franklin Duvall, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Grimes, on Saturday last, in Woodfield. Mrs. Duvall, formerly Miss Purdum, was a lifelong resident of Damascus neighborhood. She is survived by four daughters: Mrs. Atwood Young, of Damascus; Mrs. James Kemp, and Mrs. Floyd Grimes, of Woodfield; Mrs. William Soper, of Clarksburg, and two sons, Lewis and Franklin Duvall, Jr., of Woodfield. The funeral services were held at the Damascus M. E. Church on Monday, and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Elmer Green, who was badly burned several weeks ago in an explosion, is slowly improving.

Miss Jane Sonder, who is at the hospital, is improving from an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgie Hawkins and daughter, Celesta, were dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John King, at Cedar Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moyer and daughter, Geraldine, were dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Moyer.

A vesper organ recital will be given at the Damascus M. E. Church, on Sunday, May 3 at 3 p. m. by Mr. Woodward of Washington, D. C. The Estey electric organ will be used. The public is cordially invited to attend the services. A silver offering will be taken.

The Montgomery County Epworth League will hold its first annual convention and banquet on Saturday, May 9, at Damascus M. E. Church, from 2 to 9 P. M. A Banquet will be served at 6 P. M. by the ladies of the church.

The Women's Missionary Society of the Upper Seneca Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Guy Watkins at Cedar Grove, on May 11, at 8 P. M.

Olney

A tea was given Miss Annie Bready at her home at Layhill, Sunday afternoon in honor of her eighty-third birthday. There were seventy-five guests present.

Mr. Leroy Soper son, of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Soper, sr., and Miss Lucille Nance, of Carleston, S. C., were married April the 9th. Mrs. Soper is employed in the Social Service work, in Rockville.

Mrs. May Childs of Sanford N. C. is visiting her parents Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gilmore, at their home near Olney, for several weeks.

Thomas Ladson was at home for the week-end. He is a student at the University of Penn.

The P-T-A gave a dance at Sherwood High Schol on Friday, April 24.

Miss Blanche Hubbord, and Miss Helen Carpenter were guests for the week-end of Mrs. Thos. Ladson. They were motoring from Asheville, N. C., where they have been visiting, to their home in Summit, New Jersey.

Mrs. Thomas Ladson atteanded the Wednesday Club, at the home of Mrs. Henry Becraft, at Washington Grove.

Mrs. R. P. Soper, sr., gave a dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Soper, Sunday 26th, the guests were members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carpenter and son Charles from Philadelphia, were the week-end guests of their aunt, Miss Julia Hallowell. They attended the wedding of Miss Eleanor Riggs to Mr. John Muncaster, at St. John's church, Saturday.

Mrs. Eugene, who has been a patient in the Montgomery General Hospital, is visiting her cousin, Miss Josie Higgins in Rockville.

Miss Mary Cashell is visiting Miss Ricketts in Dayton, Howard county, for several days.

Mrs. Clarence Gilpin, who has been confined to her room this winter, is able to be out for short drives.

Gaithersburg

The 38th annual session of the Grand Chapter of Maryland O. E. S. was held in Baltimore this week.

Those attending from this vicinity were Mrs. Wm. McBain, Mrs. Lillian Robertson, Worthy Matron; Mrs. Lewis Reed, Mrs. Harvey Selby, Mrs. C. E. Crawford of Gaithersburg and Mr. and Mrs. J. Alfred Christie. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wachter of Washington Grove.

The annual field day for the Children of St. Martin's Parochial School will be held next Tuesday, May 5th. There will be competing games of running, jumping, bag races, etc., and a luncheon following at 11:30 for the children and at 12 for adults.

The election occurs on May 4th. Mr. McBain, is unopposed for mayor. For town councelmen, for a two year period, Mr. Norman Bell and Mr. Geo. Marshall, with Mr. Robert H. Ramsdell, Mr. W. S. Cooley and Mr. Roy Talbott for four years. Voting from 12 to 7 p. m., in the Fireman's Hall, Diamond Ave. Judges are Thomas Gloyd, Forest Ward, Mrs. Jesse Briggs and Mrs. Harvey Selby.

Miss Ellen Ramsdell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Ramsdell, gave a picnic party at Seneca creek last week, the guests being Misses Ruth Ramsdell, Nancy Diamond, Elizabeth Gude, Helen Hogan, Ruth Welsh, Mary Henderson, Kay Bower and Margaret Case.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Griffith, who have been spending the winter in Florida, have returned to their farm at Gaithersburg.

An Operetta entitled "Miss Caruthers Return", is being staged at G. H. S., on Friday, May 1st, by the Girls Glee Club.

Rockville

Mrs. Thomas Anderson entertained one of the Tuesday Bridge Clubs at her home this week. The guests were Mrs. Edward Peter, Mrs. Eugene Casey, Mrs. Thomas C. Kelly, Mrs. Robert Garrabrant, Mrs. Adrian Brunette, Mrs. Camillus Stokes, Mrs. Robert Peter, jr., Miss Catherine Smith, and Mrs. Albert A. Ady.

Mrs. William A. Jones and son, Philip Smith, have returned from Miami, Florida, and are visiting Mrs. Jones daughter, Mrs. Edward Peter.

Mrs. J. M. White was hostess to one of the Tuesday bridge clubs this week at her home; those present were Mrs. A. H. Griffith, Mrs. Walter Williams, Mrs. Shirley Prescott, Mrs. Nicholas Brewer, Mrs. Randolph Talbott, Mrs. G. H. Seybold, and Mrs. Valentine Wilson.

Mrs. Fred. P. Cross has returned to her home in Whitman, Mass., after having been the guest of her daughter, Miss Mary Cross, for the past three weeks.

Miss Edith P. Magruder, Chairman of Pages for the Daughters American Colonists, was guest at breakfast of the President General, Mrs. Joseph S. Cabell, Tuesday morning, at the Carleton Hotel.

Mrs. Serele Dederick, of Aberdeen, Md., was a guest this week of Mrs. J. M. White.

Mrs. Ernest Hartman, of Dillsburg, Pa., is spending this week with her mother, Mrs. Margaret A. C. Welsh, who celebrated her 80th birthday anniversary on Wednesday, April, 29.

Mrs. Edwin Broome entertained members of the Thursday bridge club at her home with the following present: Mrs. Clara Mobley, Miss Lulu Bell, Mrs. Barrett Wilson, Mrs. A. H. Griffith, Miss Elise England, Miss Catherine Smith, Mrs. Howard Larcombe, Mrs. Rose A. Dawson, Mrs. G. H. Seybold, and Mrs. Nicholas Brewer.

Mrs. Walter Bauer has been spending the past week in Linden, N. J.

Maj. and Mrs. Thomas A. Lowe, of Shrewsbury, N. J., are guests this week of Maj. and Mrs. J. M. White. Mrs. White will entertain at a cocktail supper Sunday night in honor of her house guests. There will be sixteen guests

Mrs. Homer Bryant, of Lynchburg, Va., is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Lamar.

Mr. Wm. H. Beard and son, Dr. Wm. H. Beard, jr., have returned from Durham, N. C., where they visited Mr. Edward A. Beard, who is a student at Duke University.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Russell, of Washington, were guests on Sunday of Mr. Russell's sister, Mrs. John B. Brewer.

Mrs. Walter A. Williams was a dinner guest on Tuesday evening of Miss Mary Anderson, of Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard T. Brosius and daughter, Joan, have leased a home on Old Georgetown Road into which they moved recently.

We are sorry to report that Master Eugene Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thompson, is very sick.

Washington Grove

Mrs. Henry Becraft entertained the Wednesday Club of Brady Spring, on Wednesday at her home on Grove Ave., with a luncheon.

Mrs. Miller entertained at the Fairfax Hotel, Washington, D. C., the ladies of her "Circle" of the Woman's Club of Washington Grove this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. K. Pace have returned from Ohio, having spent the Easter holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Billie Pace.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. Edna Reber and Janet visited their aunt, Mrs. Bradley P. King, of Cedar Grove, who has been quite sick.

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DO YOU REMEMBER—When parents of scholars, or a trustee, out of interest in the cause of education, would furnish the wood for the school free of charge?

SHEEP FROM THE GOATS

Probably the greatest advantage of the new Unemployment Compensation law, in the Social Security Act, is that it will effectively separate the sheep from the goats. It will provide compensation when "laid off" for workers who have really been on payrolls, and leave only the chronic loafers to "relief."

Nobody knows, nobody ever has known, how many genuine cases there are now or have been at any time of men and women willing to work, but unemployed through no fault of their own. The number, we believe, is much smaller than most of the so-called statistics would indicate.

Before the Social Security Act has been in effect very long, we'll have some actual facts before us when we talk about unemployment.

The bigger the fish, the more easily it gets away.

OBSCURED IDEALS

America's greatest danger at this time is the danger that we are losing sight of some of the ideals upon which our nation was founded, and in the pursuit of which we have grown to greatness. Signs all around suggest that great groups of our people no longer cherish the ideal of personal liberty of thought, speech and action, and other groups are definitely bent on destroying them.

There is more to patriotism than being ready to go to war. It seems to us that any man who does not do whatever lies in his power, to challenge any attempt, either from within or without his country's boundaries, to curtail any of his or other people's legitimate liberties, is not much of a patriot.

THE TOURIST BUSINESS

The whole world is on the move as soon as good spring weather comes, or at least those who possess cars, with their friends. As the summer advances, the motion comes still nearer to being universal. People are touring around as they never dreamed of doing twenty-five years ago. When they move, they spend money. The amount of cash released each month during the pleasure motoring season is something enormous.

It is up to every good town to get its share of this business. It is a wide open opportunity. The best shares go to those that offer the most attractive hotels, tourist homes, lunchrooms, and farm products. There is a chance for that business on every well traveled road. Montgomery County stands in a good position to get her share of this increasing tourist trade this year.

"The principle of spending money to be paid by posterity, under the name of funding, is but swindling futurity on a large scale.

"It is incumbent on every generation to pay its own debts as it goes."—Thomas Jefferson.

"YOU CAN'T ARREST ME"

Demonstration in the Zioncheck case that Washington's speed law is no respecter of persons should advance the campaign for safety on the highways. Now, on the nearby Rockville pike, another public official has run afoul of the traffic laws.

A warrant has been sworn out against Maryland's Secretary of State charging him with reckless and drunken driving. It is significant that no record of the double accident Mr. Thomas Dawson is said to have precipitated was entered on the police blotter until a victim appeared to swear out the warrant. All this, plus inexcusable delay in service of the warrant, tends to confirm charges that police authorities are too often awed by considerations of politics and power in applying the rules of the road.

The public should follow carefully the prosecution of the Dawson case. The administration of Montgomery County is on trial. Unless and until it can be everywhere understood that the law was not made for 'the other fellow," or even "the little fellow," there will be no real hope for improvement over last year's record of automobile fatalities and injuries throughout the country.—Washington Post.

100,000 to Aid Rain of Checks

House Records Show Haste in Getting AAA Gifts Out Before Election.

Recent disclosures indicate that the Soil Conservation Act (new AAA) was even a far more sweeping delegation of power to the Agricultural Department than was suspected at the time the measure was signed by the President on Feb. 29. As a matter of fact it now appears that Congress, in characteristic New Deal manner, provided $470,000,000 and left details to somebody else.

The situation was fully revealed when Chester C. Davis, administrator of AAA, appeared before the subcommittee of the House Committee on Appropriations on March 10. That was ten days after the act had been signed. In former times Congress exercised its right and duty to specify how money raised from the Treasury should be used. How little Congress knows about just how the new AAA funds were to be used is shown by two paragraphs in the official printed record of the testimony of Administrator Davis.

Election Year Haste.

The following is from the record:

"Mr. Woodrum: As I understand it, the Department itself does not know now what the specific conditions are that the farmer will have to comply with to entitle him to share under the act; or what he will get; or the amount of payment, or anything of that kind."

"Mr. Davis. No; not in any final form."

Later in the hearing it was brought out that voting of the huge sum in bulk before details were known as to its expenditure would make benefit payments available to farmers before the election. Not only that but Mr. Davis said as much as possible of the $470,000,000 would be paid to 3,000,000 farmers in 1936. There would be only one payment to a farmer instead of several payments. Mr. Davis spoke of "the peak of operations next fall."

Happened in 1934, Too.

The "gentle rain of checks" to the farmers promises to become a Niagara tempour, beginning in September and carrying on past election day. Representative Chester C. Bolton, of Ohio, called the Administrator's attention to the fact that hundreds of thousands of dollars had been paid to farmers in October, 1934, just before the Congressional election. He asked if it was a "coincidence" that payments had been heaviest in October.

Another disclosure that interested some of the committeemen was that the new AAA will have an army of 100,000 men working by the time the shower of checks falls heaviest. These men will be paid directly by the AAA, but they will be selected by associations in the various counties. These associations will have the advice and counsel of 3,000 men in the field as "direct employees" of the new AAA. Mr. Davis said these men will not be under civil service. When asked why the merit system of hiring the AAA personnel was not adopted, Mr. Davis said, "You see, we are right in the middle of this thing now. You cannot have too much disturbance and delay in personnel." Representative Lloyd Thurston, of Iowa, made this comment:

"Mr. Thurston. But those positions were all filled here on a patronage basis. Surely back in the States they should not be straitjacketed by the same restrictions of approval from Washington."

Administrator Davis said eventually the investigation of claims and the allotments of money will be handled by the States and that then there will be "no interference."

Old Proverbs as Revised to Fit the New Deal

Leaders of the New Deal tell us that we are living in a new era. They say the country is in a period of change. Among other changes they have proposed a revision of the Constitution and of the powers of the Supreme Court. They have attempted to make over the laws of economics and have succeeded in scrapping the Civil Service laws. Observers of these strange goings-on have suggested the following changes in ancient proverbs, to bring them into line with New Deal policies and practices:

Leap before you look.

A soft (money) answer turneth away wrath.

A house built upon the sands shall stand.

He who works not shall eat.

Put off until tomorrow what you can pay today.

The less you sow the more you reap.

Early to bed and early to rise makes a man pay taxes up to his eyes.

Be quick to promise and slow to perform.

Nothing succeeds like failure.

Be ruled by him that beareth the purse.

You can eat your cake and have it, too.

A wise man and his money are soon parted.

Keep thy shop and thy shop will keep someone else.

County Farmers Participate in Big Saving in Interest

Refinancing debts through the Farm Credit Administration has saved Montgomery County farmers more than $12,000 a year on interest alone, according to figures from the Central office of the Farm Credit Administration in Washington.

Over $980,000 of farm debts with interest rates that averaged 6 per cent have been refinanced with long-term mortgage loans carrying interest rates of 5 per cent a year or less.

The figures show that the local National Farm Loan Association has been a big factor in making these long-term mortgages available at low interest rates. The association guarantees loans to the Federal Land Bank.

From May, 1933, when the Farm Credit Administration was organized, to the end of last year the Montgomery County farmers obtained $912,000 for the specific purpose of refinancing old debts.

The Federal Land Bank made 114 first mortgage loans and the Land Bank commissioner 134 loans. Many of the commissioner's loans were made on second mortgage security. The commissioner lends from funds provided by the Federal Government.

As in the past, the Federal Land Banks are making bank loans on first mortgage security, lending up to about one-half of the appraised normal values of the farm property. The commissioner lends on second as well as first mortgage security in amounts up to 75 per cent of the value. The largest amount of a commissioner loan to one farmer is $7,500.

An act of Congress last summer temporarily reduced interest rates on all Federal Land Bank loans—old and new. Where Land Bank loans are made through National Farm Loan Associations, the rate is only 3½ per cent for all interest payable in the year ending June 30, 1936, and 4 per cent a year in the two years following. This temporary reduction of interest rates on all Federal Land Bank loans is paid for by the Federal Government, which reimburses the banks for what otherwise would be a loss to them.

Anything that you pet you will learn to love, even if it is nothing but a dog.

Special Session Costs $76,545

The recent session of the Legislature cost the State $76,545, although there was only $75,000 available, the office of the State Comptroller reported.

Some bills will go unpaid as a result, the Comptroller's office states. Funds to pay these bills may be provided in the next budget or by a special appropriation of the 1937 Legislature.

The State has paid bills amounting to $69,129, and has notified other creditors that payment will be delayed until next year. The sum of $75,000 was appropriated by the Legislature for the expenses of the special session.

The itemized expense list was: Salaries, $45,190; mileage, $6,558; postage, $2,280; cleaning, etc., $2,167; printing, $12,923.

The comptroller listed the unpaid bills as: Printing account, $3,428; telephones, $3,737; recording laws in the Court of Appeals, $250.

It also was revealed that Governor Nice is debating whether to sign or veto a bill passed by the Legislature abolishing the State Survey Commission and transferring its funds to complete the Executive Mansion. The commission is spending at the rate of $2,224.98 a month.

This was shown when the records of the State Comptroller's office revealed the semi-monthly payroll of the commission, paid April 15, totaled $11,112.49. On April 1, the commission had about $25,000 remaining to its credit on the Comptroller's books.

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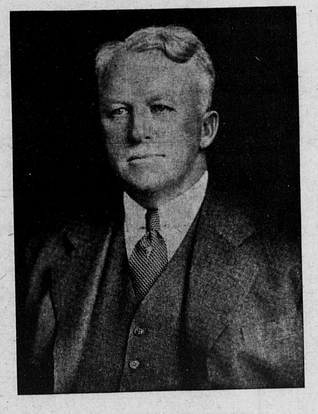

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