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Will Discuss Grants For State

Conference Called Of Public Officials To Meet At University Of Maryland

At the invitation of Dr. H. C. Byrd, President of the University of Md., County Commissioners, Mayors of towns and cities, School Superintendents, State and National legislators of Maryland, and other interested persons will meet at University of Md., on Monday, August 15, to discuss ways and means of obtaining additional PWA grants for the State.

Dr. Byrd, explaining the calling of the meeting, said, "Apparently in comparison to the number of applications being sent to P. W. A. headquarters from other States, Maryland is falling far behind. In other words, various political subivisions of the State are not now taking advantage of what may be excellent opportunities to acquire funds for needed projects. He continued, "Therefore in a discussion of the possiblity of Maryland projects, it was suggested that it might be more profitable for those representing the various localities of the State to meet at a central place to discuss the avenues open for new funds. It was felt that the University at College Park would be the most convenient place for such a meeting.

In explaining further the calling of the meeting, Dr. Byrd said, "The P.W.A. Bill which recently passed Congress has in it one provision through which Maryland municipalities and other units of local government may benefit, that the provious Bill did not have. There is one provision which enables the Federal Government to furnish all the funds for a project without the sponsor immediately providing anything. In the event of any unit making use of this procedure, the Federal Government will grant 45% and lend the 55% that the sponsor ordinarily would provide, this 55% to be amortized by the sponsor over a period of years.

He added, "This is an unusual opportunity for Maryland people to get funds for needed projects but if they are to avail themselves of the opportunity, action must be taken at once".

Calvert Section

The house of Alfred Crothers was struck by lightning during one of our electrical storms, but fortunately was not set on fire.

Mrs. Harry Hamilton, of Philada., has been visiting her nefhew, Lawson Crothers and family.

Calvert W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Iva McKinney Thursday afternoon.

The annual outing of the Pentocostal Sunday school was held in the meadow of Cedar Farm.

Mrs. George Neal and daughter, of Plymouth Meeting, Penna., have been visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Clayton.

The family of Willett Anderson has moved to the dwelling of Mrs. Margaret McDowell.

Miss Lola Anderson, graduate nurse of Elizabeth, N. J., has been spending sometime at her home. The Anderson's have had bad luck this summer. Mr. Anderson, badly injured in May, is still in Union Memorial Hospital, and Mrs. Anderson has been taken to the Woman's Hospital in Baltimore, for observation and treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. George Prettyman and Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Touchton have been spending some time at Rehoboth Beach.

Sues Twin Brother For Damages For Injury

Robert W. Graeff, of Refton, Pa., was sued on Saturday by his twin sister, Ruth M. Graeff, nineteen, of Rawlingsville, for damages resulting from an automobile accident in which she claims she suffered a broken spine which will paralize her for life.

Her parents, Willis B. and Mabel E. Graeff's are also suing their son as a result of the accident.

Graeff's car collided with an automobile operated by Harrison Carr at Wakefield, May 31, 1937, and the brother failed to stop at a stop sign. She was a guest in the broaher's car.

—Sun, Quarryville, Pa.

REOPENING OF MT. PLEASANT CHURCH

The congregation of Mt. Pleasant M. E. Church, near Colora, will celebrate the recent improvement of the church with a special home coming and reopening of the church on Sunday, Aug. 21.

The church has been closed for some weeks, during which time extensive improvements were made.

Briefly Noted News

Cameron Bros. cannery, in this town, began the packing of sweet corn on Tuesday.

Nine members of Rising Sun Troop, Boy Scouts, spent the week at Camp Horse Shoe.

About sixty members of the M. E. Sunday school, and friends, enjoyed the annual outing at River view Beach, New Jersey, on Friday.

The property of the late Mrs. Cyrennus Creswell, in Port Deposit, has been purchased by Merriil Gibson, and is undergoing improvement.

As a special feature of the evening service Sunday, August 14, at Rising Sun M. E. church, Harry D. Barnes will play his Xylophone bells. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The annual district camp meeting, Washington-Philadelphia District, Church of the Nazarene, opened Friday and will continue until August 14, in Copson Park Grove, Leslie, Cecil County.

In reconditioning the Jacob Tome Institute, Town schools, provision has been made in the Junior school for a kindergarten. All applications for admission must be made to Miss Linda Anderson.

The congregation of Leeds M. P. church will hold the annual chicken supper in Leeds grove, Wednesday evening, August 17. First table at 5 o'clock. Music furnished by Elkton band.

Charles R. Daneker, for the past several years district manager of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Cecil and Harford Counties, has been advanced to an executive position in Baltimore and will be succeeded by Fielding K. Wood, as manager in this district.

Complain Of Benefits Paid Workers

The Unemployment Compensation Board has run afoul of the wrath of Southern Maryland farmers, and has decided to change its policy in that area to keep from disrupting the traditional economic system, it was revealed by William Milnes Maloy, chairman.

Mr. Maloy said the board had started paying benefits this spring to workers laid off in Calvert county oyster packing houses, only to find they were subsidizing the farmers' usual summer labor supply.

"Oyster packing is not a seasonal business under our law because it operates for more than twenty weeks a year," Mr. Maloy explained. "Consequently, when these packers laid off their men, we began to pay them unemployment compensation.

"Then we began to get complaints that men were receiving checks and at the same time holding employment. We also got complaints that many men were refusing to accept jobs because they were getting checks from us.

Charlestown Residents Want Yacht Basin

On the heels of the approval of the War Department engineers of the dredging of a channel 60 feet wide and seven feet deep in the Northeast River to North East, residents of Charlestown, many of whom are yacht owners, have started a movement to have the government provide them with a yacht basin.

There has already been a small appropriation made to improve harbor conditions at North East, three miles up the river from Charlestown. Charlestown yacht owners, however, contend they have difficulty in anchoring their crafts safely, except in the channel of the river.

A new yacht basin, they contend, would result in many more pleasure boats making Charlestown their home port.

Fright Wreck At Port Deposit

Six box cars of a Pennsylvania Railroad freight train were derailed at Port Deposit Wednesday, last delaying freight movements on the line for over four hours. A split rail was the cause of the wreck. No one was injured.

NEW OFFICIAL RECORDS FOR GUERNSEY COWS

Two Guernsey cows owned by Donaldson Brown of Port Deposit, have just finished new official records for production which entitles them to entry in the Advanced Register of the American Guernsey Cattle Culb. These animals include seven and one-half year old Monsieur's Golden Maiden 295158, producing 13524.1 pounds of milk and 576.2 pounds of butter fat in class AA, and two year old Cherub's Jethro Delphinium 478806, producing 9960.8 pounds of milk and 485.7 pounds of butter fat in class GGG.

Despondent Man Ends His Life

Secures Bucher Knife And Slashes Throat

George Jackson, of Fourth St., Wilmington, son of the late Martin Jackson, dropped off a freight train at Perryville on Friday morning and wandered to the home of Frank Walker, on Aikin Avenue. He remained about the Walker home all day, acting in rather a peculiar manner. The wanderer was taken to Havre de Grace and outfitted.

On Friday night he refused to go to bed, and a member of the Walker family sat up with him the entire night.

On Saturday morning the stranger took a walk. Returning to the Walker home later, he secured a butcher knife in the kitchen, unknown to any members of the family, and some time later was found in the bathroom.

The despondent man had slashed the left carotid artery, and was in a critical condition fro mthe loss of blood. He was hurried to Havre de Grace Hospital, but died while enroute.

Dr. R. C. Dodson, of Rising Sun, Coroner for Cecil County, was called. The deceased was about 32 years of age. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Florence Jackson, of Trenton, N. J. The body was taken to Principio Furnace M. E. cemetery for interment.

Elkton Fugitive Returns To Be Wed

Howard R. Davis, 28, Elkton, brought about his own downfall when he was married at Elkton only a week after escaping from the jail there.

Davis obtained a license in Elkton to marry Miss Grace McGowan, 19, Railroad av., Pennsgrove, N. J., although he knew authorities were seeking him.

After the marriage ceremony Saturday, Davis and his bride returned to Pennsgrove. Eugene Racine, sheriff, informed Pennsgrove police and Davis was arrested. Two sheriffs took him back to Elkton.

Mrs. Davis immediately announced that she was "through with him." She said she had met Davis on a Delaware River excursion boat Thursday night and he proposed shortly afterward. She said she did not know he was a former jail inmate.

Elkton authorities said Davis, a trusty, had escaped July 30 while serving a six-month term on a larceny charge. After gaining his freedom, he obtained a job in a service station, but stole an automobile belonging to his employer, police said. Davis also was acused of stealing $150 receipts but denied this.

Democratic Rally At Oakwood

The Eighth District Democratic Club sponsored a rally at Oakwood, on Friday evening last. A goodly number attended.

The meeting was presided over by the president of the Club, Wade Goodman, who called on a number of the local candidates for berief remarks. Among those to respond were Mrs. Katherine F. Cobourn, candidate for State Senate; Claude C. Buck, candidate for Register of Wills; John K. Buckley, candidate for Clerk of the Court; W. Norman Clark, for Register of Wills; W. E Fisher, for County Commissioner; Levi H. Balderston for County Commissioner; Robert A. Boyd, for Sheriff; W. E. Malin, for Sheriff.

Announcement was made at the meeting that arrangements had been made by the club for a rally on Friday evening, Aug. 12, when the speakers will be Arthur E. Hungerford, candidate for U. S. Senate, and Omar D. Crothers, candidate for Attorney-General.

Chesapeake City Carnival

Fifteen fire companies participated in the parade on Wednesday night last, held as a feature of the Chesapeake City Fire Company carnival.

The following towns were represented by companies: Delaware City, Milford, Middletown, Dover, Newark, and Talleyville, all of Delaware, and Perryville, Rising Sun, Sudlersville, Millington, Cecilton, North East, Elkton, Havre de Grace, and Chesapeake City, all of Maryland.

Prizes of the parade were awarded as follows: Best band, Perryville; best bugle and drum corps, Talleyville; most ment in line of march, Elkton Fire Company, anl best fraternal order, Cecil Rebekahs' Lodge.

You can usually tell which side is sensible and right. The other one gets out all the smart propagranda.

Find Cattle Buried In Hay Stack

Farmer Looking For Missing Son Finds His Stock

While Joseph DeVoerk, a farmer living three miles from Elkton was having Sheriff Eugene Racine start a search for a bull and a cow which he thought had been stolen, the animals were buried under several tons of hay and nearly smothered.

He found his cattle while looking for a young son who he feared might have been caught under the hay rick.

Last Wednesday DeVoerk missed his cow, and when the following morning he found his bull was gone also, he thought that thieves had carried both the animals off, and notified Sheriff Racine.

The sheriff searched the farm for footprints and clues but could find none. Then he notified all police departments in Delaware, Maryland, and Pennsylvania to be on the lookout for the missing cattle.

While looking for his little son, who had strayed away from the house Saturday morning, DeVoerk noticed that the hay rick seemed upset. Fearing his son, in playing on it might have been buried under the hay, he started to clear it with a pitchfork.

Unexpectedly he came upon the bull and cow, both barely alive.

Ran Away From Md. Training School

Edison Baldwin, 17, who escaped from the Maryland Training School for Boys about a month ago, was apprehended last week at Chesapeake City by Deputy Sheriff Elwood Racine, and brought to the county jail at Elkton. He is said to have been operating a stolen car bearing Washington license tags. Three other boys escaped from the training school with Baldwin.

Lester Biddle, 17, another boy who escaped from the Maryland Training School for Boys, was caught Thursday night near Collins' foundry riding a bicycle stolen about a month ago from a son of Dr. V. H. McKnight of Elkton. Biddle was turned over to officers from the school.

Oxford Carnival Opens On Friday

Oxford Firemen's carnival opens on Friday night of this week, Aug. 12, and continues until Saturday night, Aug. 20, inclusive.

The attractions will draw large crowds. Special attendance prizes of much value will be awarded.

The opening night will be Firemen's parade, with many Fire Companies and bands of music in line. Read adver. in this issue to learn the other outstanding features to be presented other nights.

Road Route Settled

It is reported that the relocation of Route 40 through Cecil County has been definitely settled. According to report the road will run north of Perryville, Principio Furnace and North East over the Pennsylvania railroad at Red Mill, then to Holly Hall, joining the present road near the top of Creswell's Hill.

The present Red Mill bridge over the railroad will be used for one lane of the dual highway traffic. Another bridge will be constructed.

The new highway will intersect the Chesapeake City road at the Holly Hall property.

FARM SALE UPHELD

The trustees sale of the Tillie Williams farm, located near Theodore, Cecil County, to John Potts of near Leslie, Md., was upheld in an opinion handed down in the Circuit Court at Elkton, by Associate Judge J. Owen Knott.

The farm was bid in at the sale a year ago by Mr. Potts. Later, one of the heirs filed suit asking that the sale be rejected on the grounds that he had made an agreement with Mr. Potts to have the latter purchase the property for him.

Potts denied that he promised to buy the farm for anyone, however, he acknowledged the plaintiff had spoken to him about financing him if he purchased it.

HEARING IN FATAL ACCIDENT

Samuel Crawford, a Philadelphia Negro, whose automobile on the night of July 30 struck and killed Wilson Jones, 51 years old, of Baltimore, opposite Charlestown passenger station, will be given a hearing before Magistrate George Rawson at North East on Aug. 19. Jones was crossing the road to take a bus when struck. The Negro blamed a heavy rain.

Personal And Social

Miss Celia Jenkins spent several days this week in Ocean Grove, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Maxwell spent the week-end by the seaside at Ocean City, Md.

Misses Katherine Kirk and Martha Tosh have returned from an enjoyable auto trip to the Smoky Mountains, in Tennessee.

Mrs. H. Donald MacLellan left for her home in Pittsburgh, on Thursday, after visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Cecil E. Ewing at "The Bungalow."

The Komrade Kulb journeyed to Red Rose Inn, Jennersville, Pa., on Tuesday afternoon of last week, where they enjoyed luncheon and spent the afternoon playing bridge.

Mrs. H. D. MacLellan gave a shower bridge party, on Saturday, in honor of Miss Dorothy Cameron, whose engagement to Mr. John Kimbel, of Nottingham, Pa., was announced in the winter.

Married in Chesapeake City fifty years ago by the late Rev. E. H. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Purdy celebrated their golden wedding anniversity at their home in Wilmington on Saturday evening.

Miss Grace K. Campbell of Bridgeton, N. J., daughter of Mrs. Wanda Campbell of Perryville, was married to Mr. Ethelbert Ayers by the Rev. Harry Bailey, Pastor of the Perryville M. E. Church on Saturday, July 30.

GREETINGS FROM SAN FRANCISCO

Miss Bertha M. Tyson, of West Nottingham, President of the Md. State W. C. T. U., who is in attendance at the National convention of that organization in San Franisco, sends greetings to the Midland Journal from that beautiful city and states: "Having a great convention; more than 29,000 new members gained in nine months."

Traffic Tolls Less

Automobiles have killed only two-thirds as many persons in Maryland this year as for the corresponding period of last year, Walter R Rudy, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, asserted in his monthly accident report

Thirty-four fatalities occurred in July, against fifty-four for July, 1937, Mr. Rudy reported. It was the sixth month this year in which traffic deaths were below the 1937, figure. The one exception was April, in which death went one over the April, 1937, total.

For the first seven months of 1938, the traffic toll was 207, as compared with 319 for the corresponding period of 1937.

Of the thirty-four deaths in July, five were in Baltimore and twenty-nine in the counties. Twenty of those killed were pedestrians and four of the pedestrians were children. Of the others, six were operating cars, seven were passengers in cars and one was riding a bicycle.

Playground Project At Port Deposit

Congressman T. Alan Goldsborough has been informed by the Works Progress Administration that the President has approved a project to construct a public playground in the town of Port Deposit, Cecil County, Maryland.

The work includes placing fills along river bank, building cinder track, installing playground equipment, and performing incidental and appurtenant work including the razing of existing buildings. The project will operate on private property owned by the Jacob Tome Institute on which the sponsor, the Town Council, has obtained perpetual easements.

ACCUSED OF AUTO THEFT

William Scarborough of Childs, and Charles Simpson of Cherry Hill were taken into custody by Deputy Sheriff Elwood Racine and turned over to federal authorities charged with larceny and transportation of two automobiles into another state. They are also charged with robbing the Brown filling station on the Singerly road.

QUARRYVILLE BOROUGH SUED

Arthur Kirk, of Lancaster, has sued Quarryville, Pa., Borough for $2,500 damages to his property on East State Street, along Little Beaver Creek, in Quarryville, as the result of the work of the flood waters damaging his property. He alleges inadequate drainage system by the borough.

Southern Branch, Lancaster county, Pa., of the Red Cross contributed 40 pounds of candy, of the non-perishable type, to the veterans at the Perry Point Hosital. The money for the purchase of this candy was collected thru the efforts of the school children.

C. I. O. Business Wreckers

Gang Of Strikers Cause Riotous Disturbance At Elk Mills

As the result of a riotous outbreak at the mill of the Baldwin Manufacturing Company, at Elk Mills, Wednesday, two workers were injured and warrants have been issued for twenty strikers, members of the John L. Lewis C. I. O., which organization has done more to disrupt business conditions in various industrial centers throughout the country, and discredit organized labor, than it has to help the cause of its membership.

A gang of seventy-five C. I. O. stricker and sympathizers, it is alleged, stoned six automobiles bearing workers into the plant, breaking windows and windshields out of most of the machines and cutting slightly two of the workers with flying glass. One striker, it is alleged, was also injured by an automobile.

When the automobiles did not stop the crowd began stoning them. After the one man had been struck by the car the crowd threatened to attack the plant itself.

The strike has been in progress for about a month, when some of the workers walked out because their demand for closed shop was refused. The plant has been operated since with a decreased force.

Following the flareup Sheriff Eugene Racine swore out the warrants for 20 strikers charging disorderly conduct and trespassing on the mill property.

Raftman's Memorial

A two-ton boulder was selected as a permanent memorial to Susquehanna River rafting and raftsmen.

The stone was picked from Rocky Bend, one of the most dangerous points in the Susquehanna river. It was placed in the Burnside Park, in Clearfield County, and dedicated during the lumberman's and raftsmen's reunion in Burnside, Pa., Aug. 8 to 10.

A simple bronze tablet commemorating rafting from 1827, when the first raft left the upper reaches of the river, to 1938 when the "last raft" made its ill-fated journey, well be placed on the stone. The "last raft" cracked up at Muncy last March 20. Seven persons lost their lives when it struck a railroad bridge pier.

PEAK OF UNEMPLOYMENT DEMAND

That the peak of the demands on the Maryland Unemployment Compensation Board has been passed for this year, at least, is indicated by the steady decrease of the number of claims filed for two months past.

June was high month for claims and payments and the aggregate of new or original claims was 11,783, or about 453 a week day. In July the figure went down gradually until the total was only 7,762 or a trifle less than 300 for each week day. The first four week days of August produced only 1,007 new claims or 252 a day.

What has piled up work for the Claims Department has been the number of claimants who came back the second time—who were reemployed after getting benefits and then were laid off again. These are classed as additional claims. They make much work for the department and among them are many which should not have been filed at all.

The figures show that there have been filed at least 65,000 claims which might as well have been ruled out before they got to the desks of those who have finally to pass on them. The prospect is that in the future there will be fewer of these ineffective claims to delay the work of the department.

The Board continues to mail benefit payments at the rate of nearly 30,000 a week.

JOBS FOR THE UNEMPLOYED

A new record in putting men and women back to work was made during the past month by the Maryland State Employment Service it was revealed this week by D. L. B. Fringer, Director.

Mr. Fringer said that during July 2,966 persons were found positions by the 11 offices of the service, and that of this number 2,243 were placed in private industry.

Eastern Shore towns blazed the way back to private employment, the office in Cambridge making 307 private placements during the month, while the office in Salisbury made 232.

Other offices reported the following number of placements of the month: Annapolis, 126; Chestertown, 31; Cumberland, 233; Frederick, 167; Hagerstown, 225; Hyattsville, 100; Rockville, 57 and Towson 127.