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Oppose Razing Old Bridge

Merchants of Havre de Grace and Perryville plan to wage a vigorous fight in the Legislature, which convenes in January, to prevent the razing of the present span over the Susquehanna river, once known over the Eastern section of the country as the "gold mine" bridge, because of lucrative returns from tolls to the former owners.

The business men claim that if the old structure is torn down when the proposed bridge is built, it will be a serious blow to the business of the town.

While the actual location of the new span is not yet known, State roads officials announced some time ago that it will be built accross the river from a point north of the town, somewhere between the bridges of the Pennsylvania and the Baltimore and Ohio railroads, to the outskirts of Perryville on the stream, by-passing both towns.

The bridge was bought by the State on February 10, 1923, and the tolls reduced nearly one-half. The owners wede paid $565,000 for it, after the Legislature had authorized its purchase.

The bridge company acquired the bridge in 1910 from the Pennsylvania railroad which had built a new structure a few yards above it. Faced with the necessity of removing the old span at a prohibitive cost, the railroad presented the bridge to a group of Harford coundy people for use as a highway span.

The group invested $700 in the structure and then opened it for vehicular traffic.

Up to the time the State purchased the structure it had netted its owners $227,500 in tolls. In the first two years of operation by the State, tolls netted $359,097. By October 1, 1928, when the State made it a free bridge, more than $1,000,000 had been paid into the public treasury from tolls.

A few years ago, a top deck was added to the structure. The proposed bridge will be a PWA project and is one of the four bridges included in the original $38,000,000 bridge building program of the State Roads Commission.

Elkton Marriage License Record Broken

Marrying parsons at the Elkton Gretna Green had their most profitable month during September in twenty-five years.

Court records showed 2,234 licensus were issued at $2 each, the highest number since the town became the mecca of romance-stricken couples. The number shattered the previous record set in August when 1,874 licenses were issued, chiefly to residents of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delware, the District of Columbia and New York, particularly in those States where marriage laws have been tightened.

The marital profit making by the four or five ordained ministers who depend on marriage fees for a livelihood was earned, however, under the shadow of a referendum which may place them among the unemployed.

The citizens' committee on marriage legislation, met in Baltimore and decided to issue circulars urging voters in the November 8, general election to vote for the State legislation which requires 48 hours notice of intent to wed. If approved by voters, the law will become effective in thirty-days.

The committee is composed of ministers, social workers, attorneys and prominent Maryland residents who have pressed for the passage of the legistation for several years.

Committees to back the legislation are to be formed in Cumberland, Frederick, Hagerstown and other sections of the State.

The law was passed in 1937 without much opposition, but a referendum petition containing the legally required number of signatures was filed with the Secretary of State, making it inoperative until passed on in the next general election.

Marylaud Bridge Act Held Valid

Legality of a state act providing for construction of four bridges has been upheld by the Maryland Court of Appeals.

The court affirmed the decision of Judge Eugene O'Dunne in Baltimore, who refused to issue an injunction to prevent the State Roads Commission from proceeding with plans to consturct the bridges across the Susquehanna, Potomac, and Patapsco Rivers, and the Chesapeake Bay.

The enjoining order was sought by Clinton Wyatt, a taxpayer. The bridges, part of a $30,000,000 state program, figured in the Democratic primary campaign during which President Roosevelt inspected a site at Morgantown.

Briefly Noted News

Union Evangelistic services are being held nightly in ths M. E. Church at Zion.

The students of Carlert high school School cleared the sum of $81 at their recent supper.

The service station of T. Whooly Brown, near Elkton, was entered by burglars one night last week, and a number of articles stolen.

The annual supper given by the Sunday School of Janes M. E. Church Rising Sun, will be held in the basement of the church on Friday evening, October 14.

The Ordinance Division of the War Department at Washington has awarded four contracts for s mokeless powder to E. I. du Pont Co. The contracts total $2,261,336.

J. Rodney Buckworth, of Elkton, a member of Md. State Police, won the championship of the State pistol team at the fifth annual matches at Camp Ritchie, Cascade, Md.

Oh Doctor, presented by local talent in Rising Sun high school auditorium on Tuesdy and Wednesday evenings for benefit of the Fire Co., drew fair sized audiences. The entertainment was well presented and much enjoyed.

The W. C. T. U. of North East has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Prest., Mrs. Robt. C. Simpers; vice-prest., Mrs. Marion Rose; sec., Mrs. W. H. Blake; asst., Mrs. Albert Graham; treasurer, Mrs. Walter Hall.

The Rev. T. O. M. Wills, pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church, near Hockessin, Del., has accepted a call from the First Presbyterian Church, of Springfield, Ill., to be assistant pastor and director of religious education. The Rev. Dr. John T. Thomas is pastor.

Appeal To Motorsts To Help Prevent Forest Fires

In co-operation with State and National Goveruments, the Keystone Automobile Club has issued an appeal to motorists to help prevent forest fires, which annually cause a loss in this county of approximately $50,000,000 in timberland alone. Ninety percent of the fires are declared by government officials to be due to some form of carelessness: the discarded cigarette stubs, matches, the smoldering tobacco from pipes and unextinguished camp fires.

Aside from the terrific losses in timber, it is pointed out, the raging forest fires cause destruction on a vast scale of game and fish. It is estimated that the annual losses in game exceed the combined toll taken by hunters and anglers, with the distinction that fires cause total, permanent loss in the ravaged areas.

Motorists are urged by the Club to be extremely careful in discarding cigarette stubs along the highway. A carelessly tossed cigarette may land in a pile of leaves or dry pine needles. From such small beginnings have grown many great forest fires, according to the authorities. The number of preventable forest fires each year in the United States is given as approximately 150,000.

A few simple rules for fire prevention are given by the Club as follows:

1. Never throw a lighted cigarette or the ashes from a pipe from a moving car.
2. Be certain stubs are "dead" before you discard them.
3. Never throw a lighted match from car window or while walking in woods. Always be sure it is "out" and then break it in two as an extra precaution.

It is also suggested that motorists report all fires, however slight, so that prompt action may be taken by fire fighting forces.

Robert E. Harris, of Washington, and Miss Lilus N. Timbrook, Falls Church, Va., were married Oct. 1st, at Bay View M. P. Parsonage by the Rev. H. Norman Nicklas.

Too good for great things and too great for good.—Fuller.

Sentences Passed By Circut Court

Before adjournment of the September term of Cecil Circuit Court at Elkton on September 30, James Brosco, of Philada., guilty on three counts of receiving stolen goods while spending the summer at a cottage at Port Herman, along Elk river, was sentenced to the House of Correction for five years.

Richard Davis, Elkton youth, was given a three year sentence in the Penitentiary on a charge of robbing Fred Brown, of Newark, Del., of $60.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jackson, of North East, were given six months in the House of Correction on conviction of maintaining a disordrly house in which moonshine liquor was sold.

Burl Miler, charged with assault, was sentenced to four months, and Wm. Tilman and Wilson Jenifer drew similar sentences in the state prison on larceny charges.

Frank J. Trasker, of North East, convicted on the charge of manslaughter in the death of Charles Cooper, Negro, was sentenced by Judge Knotts to ten years in State prison.

Arthur Glazier, of Rising Sun, guilty of conducting a disorderly house and sentenced to two years in the House of Correction. His wife, Wilma Glazier, was also sentenced to six months on the same charge.

Mrs. Agnes McCauley Fatally Shot

Mrs. Agnes McCauley, aged 25 years, wife of J. Hayes McCauley, Jr., formerly of Childs, was shot to death at her home, 1015 Tatnall Street, Wilmington, Del. early Thursday morning, by her brother-in-law, Louis Rooney.

Rooney went to the McCauley home after his estranged wife, Mrs. Ruth Rooney, who had an apartment on the third floor. When he was refused entrance he is reported to have broken down the door. Upon entering the room, police said, he fired three shots at his wife, but all three entered the body of Mrs. McCauley, when she leaped in front of her sister, Mrs. Rooney opened a window and cried for help. Then she fled past her husband and stumbled down three flights of steps to the sidewalk. The assailant was arrested, but not before one policeman was shot. He was also shot in the shoulder. At the hospital, Rooney pleaded drunkenness.

School Bus Inspection

All school bus equipment, used in the transportation of pupils to and from schools in Cecil county, were inspected by the Board of Education, Safety Department representatives and agents from Insurance Companies, on Thursday last. Over 29 vehicles were inspected and improvement was shown over last year. Bus owners who did not measure up to the requirements were given a short time to comply.

Bay View Community Fair

The executive committee in charge of the community fair to be held at Bay View, Oct. 20-21, at which prizes will be awarded for products raised on Cecil county farms, is completing plans for the event. One feature of the fair on Friday, will be a calf show, open to 4-H Club members. This exhibit wil be followed by a turkey supper.

Carnival Receipts

The net receipts of the carnival held some weeks ago by the Oxford Fire Company were $4,500. This is a goodly sum, but does not compare to the net receipts of carnivals of former years, before they were on the wane.

Charged With Theft Of An Automobile

Ralph Webster, a Fair Hill Negro, has been lodged in Elkton jail on the charge of theft of an auto belonging to Pau McCummings. The Negro was driving the car near Chesapeake City when arrested by Deputy Sheriff Racine.

Hold Up Men Lose Their Nerve

Homer Keetley, who conducts a restaurant in Rising Sun, was the victim of a "near holdup" late Saturday night. After he had closed his place of business and was walking to his home at the Emma Hunt dwelling on Queen street, he noticed two men following him and hurried his footsteps. Just as he stepped up on the porch the men, who were close behind him, told him to "put up his hands." Homer, thinking it was two friends trying to frighten him, turned and asked who they were. The men replied to never mind who, but "stick them up." Homer stepped from the porch, whereupon one of the men fired a revolver two or three times, and then ran. As the men had their caps pulled down over their faces Homer was unable to recognize them. None of the shots struck the intended victim, nor did the men lay hands on Homer. There is no clue as to their identity.

Officers Of Perrieville Fire Company

The Perryville Fire Co., at its annual meeting October 3rd, reelected the regular officers and directors.

Thomas W. Reynolds again heads the company with William T. Boulden as vice president; Dr. Harold Cooper, treasurer; Elmore H. Owens, secretary and Charles LeRoy Minker, assistant secretary.

The following directors were elected for two years: T. W. Reynolds, Charles LeRoy Minker, Robert H. McMullen, Dr. James F. Magraw, E. Norris Bates and James A. Bramble.

The holdover directors are: Dr. Cooper, E. H. Owens, William T. Bouden, Frank E. Harris, Burrough R. Lawrence and Lawrence F. Sanders.

C. L. Minker was elected chief with John Lawrence assistant. John C. Thomas was chosen captain and Lee H. Sentman was elected Lt. of Hosemen and Nozzlemen. Carl Deweese was elected Lt. of Chemicals and Laddermen and Earl F. Brown is Lt. of Fire Police. Robert McMullen is Chief Engineer and David Jackson is assistant.

Motor Fatalities In September

The highest number of traffic deaths in any one month so far this year occurred in September, when forty-nine persons were killed, Walter R. Rudy, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, reported Monday.

However, six fewer deaths were recorded last month than during September, 1937, Mr. Judy pointed out. Of the total number of those killed in forty-two accidents, twenty-four were pedestrians.

Most of the fatal accidents occurred from 7 to 8 A. M., from 4 to 10 P. M. and from midnight to 3 A. M., it was reported. Thirty-nine of the victims were injured fatally in clear weather and the remainder when it was raining.

Eight persons met death at intersections, seven between intersections, eighteen on straight roads, six on curves, two on steep grades and one at a bridge. Besides the pedestrians killed, seventeen were passengers in vehicles and eight were operators.

Eleven of the deaths occurred in the city and thirty-eight in the counties. Seventeen of the victims were Negroes.

HEISLER—DENNISON

Miss Mary Harward Heisler, daughter of Mr. Isaac M. Heisler and the late Mrs. Mary Harward Heisler of Charlestown, became the bride of Mr. Charles Dennison, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Dennison of North East, on Saturday morning in the the parsonage of the St. Paul's M. E. Church, the Rev. O. J. Collins officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. John E. V. O'Connor of East Orange, N. J. Mr. Woodrow Preston of North East, was best man. The ceremony was attended by the immediate families.

Personal And Social

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Lawrence are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mrs. Blanche Reynolds, of Baltimore, is spending the week with Miss Mary Brumfield.

Glenn Olp, linotype opertor in the Midland Journal office, is a patient in Union Hospital, Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Hartenstine, of Principio Furnace, spent the weekend with Mrs. Sara H. Wagner.

Mr. and Norman Pyle, ofPittsburg, were recent guests at the home of Mrs. Pyle's brother, Job W. Kirk and wife.

Cecil E. Ewing and Barclay Reynolds left on Tuesday for a motor trip of several days through the Old Dominion State.

Mrs. H. L. Shepherd had as recent guests Mr. and Mrs. Allee Alleband, of Florida, and Mrs. Nils Halstrom, of Flushing, Long Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Burkins, of Colora; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burkins, and Mr. Ezra Reynolds, of Rock Springs, were at York Fair on last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jones, Mr. and Mrs. James Cather and dughter Mary attended York Fair last Saturday. It was their first trip to the Fair and all enjoyed it.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dudley, Donald, Jr. and Linda, of Silver Springs, Md., were Friday-Saturday visitors at the home of Mrs. Dudley's mother, Mrs. Ada Buffington.

Mrs. J. L. Twadell, of Devon, Pa., Miss Esther Gill, of Wynnewood, Pa., and Mrs. David M. Pope, of Lake Forest, Ill., were luncheon guests on Friday of Mrs. Cecil E. Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Graham were tendered a surprise at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hovermill on Friday evening last, where they were greeted by a number of friends and a social evening enjoyed.

Miss Dorothy Cameron, whose marriage to John W. Kimble, of Nottingham, Pa., will take place on Oct. 22, was tendered a shower on the evening of Oct. 1st, by Miss Sara Brokaw, Mrs. Robert Cameron and Mrs. Kirk Brokaw. About sixty guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph M. Reed spent from Wednesday to Friday in Philadelphia. Mr. Reed attended Eckel's College of Embalming, of which he is a graduate. A special three-day course was conducted to promote the profession of embalming to a higher standard.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur T. Cameron, Lincoln University, Pa., entertained at dinner in honor of the approaching marriage of their nephew and niece, Mr. Ross B. Cameron, Freehold, N. J., to Miss Phyllis W. Reid, Allenhurst, N. J., and Mr. John W. Kimble, Nottingham, Pa., to Miss Doroty W. Cameron, Rising Sun, Md.

MILLER—TODD

At ten o'clock Saturday morning, Oct. 1st, in Bethany Presbyterian Church, Nottingham, Pa., Miss Janet Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Todd, of Nottingham, was married to Mr. Charles Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller, of Little Britain, the ceremony being performed by the pastor, Rev. Peter DeRutter.

COULSON—REED

Miss Alice Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Reed of Rising Sun, and Mr. Lewis A. Coulson, of Hockessin, Del., were united in marriage at the West Nottingham Presbyterian Manse, by Dr. S. J. Venable, on Monday afternoon at four o'clock. They were attended by Mrs. Lillian Love and Mr. Ralph Reed, sister and brother of the bride.

After a trip South the newly-weds will reside at Hockessin, where the groom is employed.

ATKINSON—BOICE

Mr. and Mrs. William Boicte, of Philada., announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Florence E. Boice, to Mr. Fred O. Atkinson, son of Mrs. Katherine Atkinson, also of Philada., formerly of Elk Mils, Md. The ceremony took place at St. Phillip's M. E. Church, Philada.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by her two sisters, the Misses Ida and Mary Boice. Miss Mildred Daniels was flower girl. Mr. Francis C. Atkinson, brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were: Messrs. Andrew Atkinson and Charles Boice.

Dividend To Cecil Bank Depositors

The Trustees of the Cecil National Bank of Port Deposit have declared a dividend of 10%, payable to the depositors of the old Cecil National Bank, Oct. 8, 1938.

Dr. W. G. Jack, candidate for State Comptroller on the Republican ticket, who was instrumental in organizing a new bank at Port Deposit at the time of the banking holiday in 1933, now heads the new bank as President and is also one of the liqudating trustees of the old Cecil Natonal Bank.

Upon organization of the new bank fifty per cent of the deposits of the old bank were immediately released to the depositors and this dividend represents the third dividend paid since then, two dividends of 10% each having previously been paid.

State W. C. T. U Convention

Maryland State W. C. T. U. will meet Oct. 13 and 14 in annual convention at Ocean City. Miss Bertha M. Tyson, of West Nottingham, Cecil county, State President, will preside.

The convention church will be the Atlantic M. E. Church, and headquarters will be at the Hastings Hotel. The outstnding feature of the convention will be the address on Thursday evening, Oct. 13, by Hon. Clinton N. Howard, of Washington.

Among many questions to be discussed will be: The Desecration of the Sabbath Day by the selling of beer on that day, and the advertising over the air of beer and cigarettes, which interferes with the enjoyment of programs of the better things of life, thereby having a detrimental influence upon the children and being influence upon children and being objectionable to the intelligent, soberminded citizens.

Injured By Fall Down Stairs

Mrs. Nellie Pearson, wife of Chas. Pearson, of Elkton, is a patient in Union Hospital suffering from serious injuries, sustained by falling down a flight of stairs at her home in that town. Mrs. Pearson had been removing some of her flowers from out doors to the second floor of her home, for winter, and tripped and fell while descending. The noise made when she fell attracted neighbors, who found her in an unconscious condition.

Sells Intrest In Elkton Restaurant

Gus Sclavos, owner and manager of the new Glasgow, Del., Arms Resturant, has sold his interest in the Elk Restaurant, Elkton, which he has owned and operated since he founded it five years ago.

Following the openng of the Glasgow Arms last year, Mr. Sclavos has divided his time between the two establishments, but finally decided to sell the Elkton restaurant.

P. T. A. County Council

The fall meeting of the Cecil County P. T. A. was held in the Chesapeake City high school on Oct. 3rd. Delegates from Elkton, North East, Perry Point, Rising Sun and Chesapake City Units were present, as was also a large number of parents and friends. The January meetng will be held in Elkton High School.

Wedded Fifty-Six Years

Dr. and Mrs. Horace H. Darlington Concordville, Pa., celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary Sept. 28. Dr. Darlington is 81 and Mrs. Darlington has passed her 80th birthday anniversary. Dr. Darlington was a graduate of the University of Pa., class of 1872.

Wilmington District Epworth League

The annual convention of the Southern District of the Wilmngton Epworth League will be held in the Cecilton M. E. Church on Oct. 16. The theme of the all day program will be "Youth's dedication to the highest good of others."