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Homemakers Celebrate Anniversary

Twenty-Five Years Of Extension Service Keynote Of County Council

Twenty-five years of Extension Service in U. S., was the keynote of the all-day County Council meeting held at North East, Saturday, May 20, with Mrs. Atlee Armour presiding.

Miss Venia M. Kellar, Assistant Director of Extension, told of the beginning of Extension in Maryland first through 4-H work and later through the Homemakers. She emphasized the point that the purpose of helping rural women and girls attain in their own homes and communities a greater measure of health, convenience, comfort and beauty and satisfying relationship is the same goal of today as it was when the Smith Lever, Act was passed in 1914. Statistics for Maryland showed a gain of eight hundred new Homemakers in Eextension during 1937-1938.

Major Alfred N. Phillips, of Cecilton, gave a vivid picture of the navy, its activities and needs. He pointed out the need for a greater defensive program to meet the changing world situations. His factual presentation of existing conditions definitely indicated the need of reorganization and a better defense set up if U. S., is to maintain peace.

Mrs. Charles Miller in speaking on the History of Cecil County brought out the fact that at the first County Council meeting there were fifty present fourteen years ago. What Extension has meant to the Homemakers and to the County was excellenty presented by Mrs. Miller.

The Homemakers election resulted in the installation of the follow-new officers: 1. Mrs. Mary Baus, Appleton Club, County Council President, to replace Mrs. Atlee Armour of Calvert Club, 2. Mrs. Walter Simmons, Principio Furnace Club, Vice-President, to replace Mrs. Nelson McCall, Charlestown Club. 3. Mrs. Howard Griest, Liberty Grove Club, secretary, to replace Mrs. Geo. Tarbert of Aiken Club. 4. Mrs. Elsie Janney, Leslie Club treasurer, to replace Mrs. Harry Lungren of Lewisville club.

Mrs. Atlee Armour, president of the county council for four years. gave a splendid report of her activities and accomplishments while president.

Tydings To Speak At Teachers College

Senator Millard E. Tydings will be the Commencement speaker at State Teachers College at Salisbury on Monday, June 5, at 11 o'clock. Dr. Thomas G. Pullen and Dr. I. Jewell Simpson will represent the State Board of Education on the program. The Commencement Week program includes: Senior Ball, 9 o'clock, Friday, June 2; Saturday, June 3, afternoon and evening, Reunion of 1929 Class at 3, Informal Tea at 4:15, Induction of Seniors into Alumni Association at 5:30, Dinner at 6:00—1929 class Program, Presentation of Senior Gift at 7:30—Class of 1939, Alumni Homecoming Dance at 8:30; Saturday, June 4, at 3 p. m. Baccalaureate Sermon by the Reverend Albert H. Frost, followed by a Buffet Supper at the home of the President and Mrs. Blackwell at 5:30; and, Commencement at 11:00 a. m. on Monday, June 5, Invocation by The Reverend J. Leas Green. The public is invited to the Sunday and Monday Exercises.

O. R. Ash Appointed Trial Magistrate In Cecil

Governor Herbert R. O'Conor on Monday appointed several trial magistrates, under the new magisterial legislation that took effect June 1st. Among the appointments was that of G. Reynolds Ash, a member of the Bar at Elkton. Of Mr. Ash the Governor said:

"It is interesting to note that very recently when I was called upon to name a judge in Cecil county many persons indorsed Mr. Ash for the appointment.

"Upon consulting with judges and attorneys of the circuit I was told that he possessed most desirable qualifications and would be worthy of appointment to the higher court. The fact that he consented to serve under the new trial magistrate system is highly gratifying to me."

The legislation creating the new trial magistrate system was passed at the last session of the General Assembly. It centralizes trial magistrates' courts at strategic places in the counties, and it does away with the old fee system of remunerating magistrates, placing them instead on a salary.

Briefly Noted News

Children's Day will be observed at Rising Sun M. E. church on Sunday morning, June 4, at 11:00 o'clock.

With the mercury registering up in the nineties this week, it looks, as well as feels like the Good Old Summer time is really here.

Oliver C. Giles, Jr., of Elkton has purchased the grocery business of the late Frank Karl, on North street, in that town, and will conduct the business.

A clinic conducted by the Maryland Tuberculosis Association will be held at the Methodist Church in Rising Sun, on Wednesday, June 14 at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

In the Circuit Court at Elkton last week papers were signed by which Mr. and Mrs. Nathan A. Thaman, of Perry Point, adopted a son, David Paul Thaman, aged six months.

The ladies of Principio Furnace will serve a supper in the local club room, Saturday, June 10. Menu includes hot and cold meats, vegetables and pie. Begin serving at 4:30 P. M.

Little Betty Lou, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lockard of North East, fell from the porch, cutting her head severely. Several stitches were taken to close the wound.

Ralph Reed narrowly escaped serious injury to his eyes on Monday while working with a gasoline soldering pot. Flaring gasoline sprited up into his face, but fortunately he escaped with slight burns.

G. A. Allender has purchased the residence property of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. McCullough, on East Main street, Elkton. The new owner contemplates making a number of improvements to the property.

Rev. F. A. Carroll, pastor of Warwick and Sassafras Methodist Protestant churches, located in the lower section of Cecil county, has been unanimously invited by the official board to return for another conference year.

Henry Clifton, of Chesapeake City, was given a hearing before Police Magistrate Warren E. Malin, charged with assulting his younger brother, George Clifton, found guilty and sentenced to the House of Correction for a term of two years.

Mrs. Helen Speed, of Town Point, is a patient in Union Hospital with both arms and nose broken, also cuts and bruises about the body. The car in which she was riding, left the road near Chesapeake City, and hit a tree. The car was badly damaged.

John Gitney, aged nine years, of Elkton, placed a fifty cent piece in his mouth. A playful smack on the back by a playmate caused the lad to swallow the coin. He was hurried to Wilmington, where an X-ray showed the half-dollar half way down the boy's chest. The money was retrieved at an bronchosopic clinic at the hospital.

Women Voters Elect

The Cecil County League of Women Voters, at its spring meeting held near Port Deposit, elected the following officers to serve for the following year:

President, Mrs. Clarence I. Benson of Port Deposit; first vice-president, Mrs. Wallace Williams of Elkton; second vice-president, Miss Bertha Balderston, Colora; secretary, Mrs. John K. Burkley, Elkton; treasurer, Mrs. Peyton Patterson, Aikin.

Field Mass At St. Xavier

The annual military field mass at old St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, neer Warwick, this county, will be held Sunday, June 11.

The program has not yet been completed, but will be held in commemoration of the two hundred and thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the edifice. The church was named in honor of the great missionary saint of the Indies, and is the oldest Catholic Church on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The Most Rev. Edmund J. Fitz-Maurice, D. D., will be the presiding prelate at the mass.

Calvert School Grounds Improved

Through the efforts of members of the Alumni Association and the P. T. A., who purchased trees and assisted with the work, the grounds at Calvert High School have been beautified with trees and shrubbery, the improvement adding much to the appearance of the fine new building and its surroundings.

A strong will is firmness. A strong won't is obstinacy.

Award Made In Condemnation Suit

Divine Saviour Order Given $10,780 In State Road Case

An award of $10,780 was made to the order of the Divine Saviour, owners of Holly Hall Farm, by a jury in the Cecil Circuit Court in condemnation proceedings brought by the State Roads Commission for the acquisition of property of the new dual highway.

The order contended that the ment, the value of which would be ment, the value o fwhich would be reduced by the proposed new dual highway passing through the property.

The farm is located on the outskirits of Elkton. Recently Ira Moore owner of an adjoining farm, was awarded $9,600 damages in land condemnation proceedings instituted by the Commission.

Fireworks Banned

Attention is called to the ordinance passed by the Board of Commissioners of Rising Sun, and published elsewhere in our columns, prohibiting the sale and the putting off of fireworks in our town.

Time was when most of the firecrackers, torpedoes and similar noise-makers were not as dangerous as they are nowadays, when they are made with high explosives, and the town Commissioners have taken the step in banning fireworks as a safety precaution, as generally it is the little folks who suffer distressing injury because they do not realize the danger wrapped up in the explosives.

Tome Graduates

The list of graduates at the annual commencement of the Jacob Tome Institute, Port Deposit, which will be held in Momorial Hall on Tuesday, June 13 at 11 o'clock, has been announced as follows:

Norman Barnes, Leo Hitner, Catherine Gather, Louise Ewing, Ann Flemming, Joseph Gatchell, Mary Alden Hopkins, Cynthia James, Helen Jack, Gladys McMullen, Katherine Morrison, Ruth Slape, Samuel Tucker, Duane Tyson, Ruth Tome, Mary Torbert, Esher Taylor, John Torbert, Ann Thompson, Helen Wiable, Sarah Walker, Louise Winslow and Delmar Whittaker.

To Honor Gov. O'Conor

Commencement Time will bring new honors to Governor Herbert R. O'Conor. He has just been informed that Georgetown University will confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws at its Sesquicentennial Convocation on Saturday afternoon, June third.

Two days later, he will journey to Chestertown, to receive a like honor at the hands of the President and Board of Visitors and Governors of Washington College. He holds various scholastic and honorary degrees, in addition, from Villanova College, Pennsylvania; Western Maryland, University of Maryland and Loyola College, Baltimore.

High School Ball Players Hurt

Two members of Rising Sun high school ball team were hurt Friday afternoon during the game on the school grounds here with Perryville.

Arthur Lieske fractured an ankle in sliding into a base, and Francis Dixon had his nose broke by being hit in the face by a pitched ball while at bat.

To Close The Kenmore High School

The Board of Education of Cecil County has advised patrons of Kenmore High School, near Providence, that the high school department will be discontinued at Kenmore next year. Te Board plans to make Kenmore a consolidated elementary school, closing both Providence and Fair Hill schools.

Playground Allotment

President Roosevelt has approved an allotment of $2,451 to construct a public playground in the town of Port Deposit, this county. The work includes placing fills along river bank, building cinder track, installing playground equipment, and incdental work. The project will operate on property owned by the Jacob Tome Institute on which the Town Commissioners, the sponsors, have obtained perpetual easements.

Hearing On Marriage Law Demurrer

Judge Knotts Schedules June 5th In Cecil Circuit Court

Judge J. Owens Knotts has set June 5 as the date for a hearing on the demurrers filed by Attorney General David C. Walsh, representing Walter C. Buck, Clerk of the Court for Cecil County, to the allegations in the petition of the Rev. Joseph T. Baker, Elkton, which asked for an injunction to restrain Mr. Buck from complying with the new marriage law for Maryland.

The law went into effect December 1, last, and requires applicants to make a personal application for a marriage license forty-eight hours in advance of its inssuance.

The Rev. Mr. Baker, through his counsel, Isaac Lobe Straus, alleged that the marriage-license law was altered after it had been passed by the General Assembly and signed by Governor Nice in 1937. However, after it was passed, a petition was signed by more than 10,000 voters asking for a referendum on the measure. When submitted to the voters at the general election last November, it was approved.

Baltimore Sluth Probing Taylor Death

Cecil County authorities state they have little new evidence in their investigation into the death of Robert G. Talylor, 23, of near Colora, found burned to death in his automobile near Korner Ketch about a month ago.

The special officer from Baltimore, who has been at work on the mystery, was called away due to court work, but is now again working on the case.

Taylor's body was exhumed from West Nottingham Cemetery last week for another autopsy, but officals have made no announcement of any findings. So far there has been little except theories.

Firemen Receive Merit Certificates

Seventeen members of the North East Fire Company who took the twenty weeks firemen's training course given by the University of Maryland, have received their certificates. Those who took the course were: R. T. Meekins, Chief; C. W. Brown, assistant chief; Frank Conway, assistant chief; T. O. Goodwin, T. K. Blake, Jr., Harvey Sapp, Frank Conway, Jr., A. R. Conway, A. F. Meekins, R. C. Rhudy, E. W. Jackson, C. H. Stewart, G. C. Gibson, G. S. McKinney. Their local instructor was M. E. Rose, past president. The original instructor was C. C. Farrimore, of Easton, Md.

Cecil Women To Help Raise Hospital Fund

The various women's auxiliaries of Union Hospital meeting at Elkton on Thursday afternoon decided to raise funds and start work on the new hospital building before the end of the year.

It was decided that the proposed new unit should be built on the site of the present location, either of brick or stone and be modern in all respects.

Mrs. Reginald Constable of Elkton was reelected president of the county organization, for the ensuing year, with Mrs. Robert D. Brown of Elkton, secretary-treasurer.

Burial Association

The Perryville Burial Association has elected S. Raymond Harris president to succeed Elmore H. Owens, who was made secretary-treasurer as a ersult of the death of Lawrence F. Sanders. Thomas D. Reynolds was elected vice-president. Alexander Sentman was elected a member of the board to fill the vacancy.

Run Over By His Auto

Wm. M. Pogue had a narrow escape from a very serious accident on Friday evening. Getting out of his car in front of the home of his son-in-law, Claude C. Buce, on Cherry street, he failed to put the brake on securely. The car started to move down the slight grade and Mr. Pogue stepped in front of it and attempted to stop it. The heavy machine pushed him into the ditch and Mr. Pogue slipped and fell. One of the front wheels of the auto passed over one of his legs inflicting severe injuries that while not serious will keep him in bed for some days. His escape from very serious injury was a narrow one.

Personal And Social

Mrs. Annie Marshall is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Harry Crooks, of Fredericksburg, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Kelly, of Jersey City, New Jersey, are spending some time in Rising Sun.

Rev. Wayne Monroe and family moved this week from Rising Sun to Darlington, Harford county.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Allee, Detroit, Mich., have been visiting Mrs. Jean Shepherd and brother Mr. W. K. Allee.

Mrs. Mabel Lockwood, of West Newton, Massachusets, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Stewart M. Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville McDougal, of Marcus Hook, were Sunday visitors of the former's sister, Mrs. Mayde McDougal.

Richard Dodson was host to a number of his little friends on Saturday afternoon. in celebration of his sixth birthday.

Visitors of Miss M. Lidie Stewart on Monday were Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gramling, of York, Pa., Mrs. Wilbur Plitt, Mrs. Dick Leech, Mary Jane Leech, of Balimore.

Mrs. Marion E. Fehr is spending from Saturday to Wednesday on a trip with friends of hers from Jacksonville, Florida, visiting Atlantic City and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph D. Wiley and son, Dixon, Baltimore, Miss Sarah K. Brokaw, Newark, Del., were week-end guests of Mrs. Louisa K. Brokaw and son, Kirk.

Samuel H. Barnes, of Allentown, Pa., a former resident of Rising Sun, was a visitor here on Thursday noting changes in our town and its people after an absence of about thirty years.

Miss Bessie Teeple, of Baltimore, spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Fassitt, on Cherry street. She left on Tuesday for Jacksonville, Florida, where she will spend the month of June.

Cecil E. Ewing and Barclay Reynolds left on Thursday for an auto trip to Cumberland, Md., and Pittsburgh, Pa. At the latter city they will visit Mr. Ewing's daughter, Mrs. H. D. MacLellan.

The annual Maxwell family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Misses Sue and Letitia Maxwell and brother Harry Maxwell, Principio, where this large family group gathered to enjoy their yearly get-together.

Miss Ruth E. Laye, daughter of Mrs. Agnes Laye, of Elkton, and Mr. Murray Rhoades, a farmer near Oxford, Pa., were married Sunday afternoon, May 21, in the Episcopal Church at Kennett Square, Pa., by Rev. Oliver Bellis.

Mrs. J. B. Dickerson, Mrs. Asher Roberson, Mrs. E. L. Haines visited Mrs. Emma Plumbley at the Masonic Home, Elizabethtown, Pa., last week, Mrs. Plumbley returning with them for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Roberson.

Mrs. Ella Reese, Mrs. Richard A. Gramling, Mr. and Mrs. David Reese and Miss Mary Gramling, of Phliada., were Memorial Day guests at the Brumfield House and visited West Nottingham Cemetery while here.

Dr. William G. Jack, president of the Cecil National Bank, Port Deposit, who was seriously injured May 1, when struck by an automobile in Port Deposit. Was brought to his home Friday from the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, in an ambulance.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fassitt, of Springfield, Pa., were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fassitt, at their new home on Cherry street. Miss Loraine Fassitt, who had been spending some time in Springfield, returned to Rising Sun with them.

Neeper Edwards returned on Wednesday from a month's trip across the continent to California. While away he visited the Fair at San Francisco, Los Angles, Hollywood, Salt Lake City, New Orleans and other places of interest, and also took in the World's Fair at New York before returning to Rising Sun.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. H. M. Wilson on Thursday evening, June 8, at 7:30 o'clock. Mrs. J. Earl Tyson and Mrs. W. B. Cooney assisting hostesses. Devotional leader, Mrs. Katherine Wilson; program leader, Miss Bertha Balderston.

Named To Naval Academy

Robert Fehr, son of Mrs. Marion Fehr, Rising Sun, has been notified by former Representative T. Alan Goldsborough of his appointment to the Naval Academy, at Annapolis. He is a graduate of West Nottingham Academy and for the past two years a student at the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Force Increased On Bridge Work

Four Hundred Now Employed On The New Susquehanna Span Project

One hundred additional men, taken from the unemployed rolls of Cecil and Harford counties, have been put to work on the construction of the new Susquehanna bridge project. This additional force increases the number now employed on the project to 400.

The building operations on the bridge are now on a 21-hour basis Piers along the shore already have been put down and work in the river, on both the Harford and Cecil County sides, is under way.

Fifty-two piers will support the bridge. The tallest will be 130 feet. Twelve of the piers will be on foundations sunk in the river, 12 on Garrett Island, and the others on the shore.

The contractor, Robert C. Reitz, of Lancaster, Pa., says he hopes to have all of the substructure above the river surface before winter. The long span is scheduled to be opened by July of next year.

The State Road Commission has awarded the Bethlehem Steel Company the contract for construction of the steel bridge on a bid of $2,469,300.

Parent-Teachers Meeting

The concluding meeting of the school year of the Parent-Teachers Association was held in the high school auditorium on Friday evening. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, R. A. McDonald; vice-president, Harry Hovermill; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Virginia Durham.

The entertainment feature of the evening was furnished by a septet of boys from the senior class of Easton, Md., High School, under direction of instructor of music in the school, Mrs. Norris Dorathy, who presided at the piano.

The group rendered a program of songs in fine style. They were enthusiastically received by the audience and compelled to give several encores.

Principal of the school M. U. Zimmerman and wife accompanied the party and were warmly greeted by their many friends in the audience.

The singers in the group were: Bill and Jack MacHale, Berry Fox, Tell Nicolette, Frempton Carroll, Ruffy Jones, and Bobby Bast.

Elkton Banking & Trust Company

The Elkton Banking & Trust Company at its annual meeting elected the following directors for the ensuing year: Edward S. Dorcus, Dr. S. C. Sykes, J. Frank Blake, G. A. Allender, Harry W. Pippin, C. A. Ringgold, Lambert W. Davis, Frank P. Conrey, Dr. T. B. Moore, John E. Gonce, William T. Vinsinger, Robert J. McCauley and Charles Robert Mackey.

The board organized by electing the following officers: President, Edwin S. Dorcus; vice-president, Dr. S. C. Sykes; vice-president and treasurer, C. Albert Ringgold; secretary, and assistant treasurer, Jesse H. Lewis; assistant secretary and assistant treasurer, Keller J. Newcomer; trust officer, C. Albert Ringgold.

St. Stephen's Church Observes 217th Year

Old St. Stephen's Church of North Sassafras Parish, Earleville, one of Cecil county's oldest Episcopal Churches, celebrated its 247th year on Sunday, May 28, with the annual Memorial Service.

Founded in 1692, only eighteen years after the boundaries of Cecil county were established, St. Stephen's is the religious home of some of the oldest Maryland families.

The Memorial Service was conducted by the rector, the Rev. William Wyllie, Jr. The Rev. J. Warren Albinson, rector of Trinity Parish, Elkton, preached the sermon.

Girl Scouts To Visit Fair

The Girl Scouts of Elkton and vicinity will be given a trip to the New York World's Fair, Saturday, June 3. They will leave Elkton, over the Pennsylvania Railroad at 6:18 a. m., and return on a train leaving New York City at 5:30 p. m.

The Pennsylvania railroad is running a special one day excursion on the above date at the reduced rate of $3.00 for the round trip. Anyone may avail themselves of this opportunity to visit the fair at New York on Saturday, June 3.