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Traffic Accidents In State Of Maryland

Automobiles Take Toll Of Forty-Five Lives During The Month Of July

Traffic accidents took a toll of 48 lives in the State of Maryland during the month of July, with 11 victims in Baltimore City and 37 in the counties. This is an increase of 50 per cent over July of last year, when there was a total of 32 persons killed in the city and counties. In addition to these fatalities, there were reported 924 personal injuries and 1,086 property damage accidents with an estimated economic loss to the citizens of the state of over one million dollars.

This is the greatest number of persons killed in any one month since September, 1938, when there were 494 killed.

Pedestrians accounted for 54 per cent of the fatalities in the city and counties. One bicycle fatality was reported in the city and one in the counties, while the balance were strictly motor vehicle with motor vehicle and fixed object accidents.

These accidents can be attributed basically to one thing and that is carelessness; in the use of speed, failing to stay on the right side of the road, failing to reduce speed at interesctions, failing to compensate for physical disabilities, failing to correct faulty equipment, and carelessenss in the use of intoxicants while driving or walking.

As a result of this tremendous increase in fatalities the Maryland Traffic Safety Committee has recommended a strict enforcement campaign by the Baltimore City Police, the Maryland State Police, and the several county police departments.

The committee has also recommended that the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, in additon to his current program of re-examining all drivers involved in accidents, conduct on "Accident Prone" drivers' clinic, re-examining all drivers in the state who have been involved in two or more accidents during the past three years, as indicated by the records available in the State Police Accident Prevention Bureau and the Drivers' Record division of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles.

Road Blockers Ordered Arrested

In order to break up the practice of curious motorists blocking roads in the vicinity of fires and interfering with the efforts of firemen, instructions have been issued to the Maryland State Police to make arrests if necessary.

Several cases have occurred in Cecil county in which fire companies have been prevented from reaching the fires. As a result of these incidents, Cecil firemen have protested and appealed for assistance.

At the Kelly fire on the night of Aug. 6, in West Nottingham section the Port Deposit and Perryville fire companies could not reach the scene because the public roads were blocked and the lane leading into the Kelly farm was jammed with cars.

The numbers of several cars were taken and their owners cited to appear before a magistrate to show cause why it was necessary to block the roads in case of fire.

At a hearing before Justice of the Peace J. H. Pugh, of Port Deposit, fines of $11.45 each were given those who had been served with notices to appear.

Attempted To Defraud Truck Owner

Charged with attempting to obtain money under false pretenses from H. D. Dickson, a truck fleet owner of North Carolina, Richard and Arthur Mitchell, twin brothers, are being held in the county jail at Elkton.

Using the name of Swinson, it is alleged Richard Mitchell visited the Western Union Telegraph office, sending a telegram to Mr. Dichson, stating that he had a breakdown near this town and needed $60 for repairs.

The truck owner knew that Swinson was not in the locality, so he sent a message to the local telegraph office asking that alleged sender be apprehended. Town Officer Elwood Boyd placed Richard Mitchell under arrest and later arrested Arthur, when, unaware that his brother had been taken into custody, he strolled into the telegraph office and asked if "Swinson" was around.

A man may gain more practical experience from poverty in ten days then he can from riches in ten years.

Briefly Noted News

Harmony Cemetery Memorial Association will meet Sunday, August 25. The business meeting will be held at 2:00 p. m.

The Kent and Cecil County Horse Association, organized last spring, held its first show on Thursday of this week at Galena, Kent county.

The Racine Family Reunion Association held their annual family gathering at Port Herman, along the Elk river, on Wednesday of this week.

Frank Keppel, of near town, is building a three-room addition to his small bungalow, occupied by his daughter and family, the Elwood Wilsons.

John Sten and Elwood Racine, North East, have been elected to the advisory board of the Southern States patrons in the North East community.

Plans are complete for the second annual reunion of the Ewing family on Saturday, August 24, 1940, at 11 A. M., standard time, at St. John's Methodist Church, Lewisville, Pa.

Richard Barnes, of Perryville, was given a hearing before Magistrate G. Howlett Cobourn of Havre de Grace and sentenced to ninety days in the Bel Air jail for assault and battery on Special Officer James Himes.

Indications point to a small yield of sweet corn for this season's pack, due to dry weather and damage by the Japanese beetle. A number of our farmers are reported plowing down their plantings, the yield being so poor.

The twenty-ninth annual reunion of the McKinsey-Tyson familes was held Thursday Aug. 15, at Lenape Park, Pa. These families are the descendants of Lewis and Jane Tyson, and Benjamin K. and Susanne B. McKinsey.

Mrs. Esther Monahan Wright, of Perry Point, has been elected executive escretary of the Welfare Board of Harford County, succeeding E. Pershing County, resigned. Mrs. Wright was selected for the position because of her past experience in welfare work.

The Wieble Machine Works, in Havre de Grace, which suspended operations several months ago, sold old the building and equipment to Herman P. Ruf of New York City, and workman are engaged in removing the machinery for shipment to New York.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Frazier, of Elkton, announce the engagement of their daughter, Alice E., to Mr. James E. Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Long, of Stanton, Del. The wedding will take place on Nov. 28th.

Mr. and Mrs. Munson Jackson, of Principio Furnace, announce the engagement of their daughter, Mildred Owens Jackson to Mr. Howard C. McGuirk, son of Mrs. Catherine McGuirk, of Principio Furnace. The wedding will take place in September.

Dr. and Mrs. J. Grant Hebble, III, are rejoicing over the birth of a son, J. Grant Hebble, IV, which occurred at Portsmouth, Virginia, August 5. The little fellow is a great-grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hartenstine of Principio Furnace and Rising Sun, his grandmother being the former Angelina Hartenstine.

Entertained At Dinner

Miss Roberta White, of Fairview, near Port Deposit, entertained at dinner Sunday in honor of her sister, Mrs. Alexander Milne and her daughter, Miss Mary Lou Milne, of Missoula, Montana. The guests were: Miss Roberta Graham, of New Valley, Mrs. J. Graham, of Rising Sun, Mr. and Mrs. L. Gerry White and son of Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Orrell and daughter Mrs. Kate White, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. John Evans and son of Bel Air, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Smith and son Thomas E. Smith, and Miss Jean Andrews, of Catonsville, and Mrs. R. James Roe and daughter, Miss Jeanette Roe of Port Deposit.

Injured By Explosion On Boat

Howard Gregg, of Coatesville, Pa., was severely burned and the 33-foot auxiliary sailboat Orrin destroyed by an explosion which occurred as Gregg was starting an electric pump. The boat, owned by Frank Eckman, of Coatsville, sank in six feet of water about 500 feet off shore in the North East river near North East Heights.

Jurors For September Term Of Court

Those Drawn Will Serve At Term Convening Sept. 16

Associate Judge James F. Evans has drawn jurors to serve at the September term of Circuit Court for Cecil County, which convenes at Elkton, on Monday, Sept. 16, as follows:

Elkton district—Keller J. Newcomer, Jacob Rubenstone, Robert Baker, Gove S. Jenkins, John Calvin Fox, Albert G. Buckworth, and James H. Collins.

Chesapeake City district--Zachary T. Loveless, Harry H. Howard, Fred Bramble, John L. Shelton, Thomas Stradley, and Wallace Williams.

North East district—Eugene Racine, Alen Carlson, Joseph R. Grant, Jacob Sadowsky, George H. Ulary, and Anthony Cameron.

Cecilton district—George Bailey, Willard Knock, Guy C. Lockerman, Eben B. Frazer, John Benson, and William H. Husfelt.

Fair Hill district—Alfred Davis, Harold W. Strahorn, Madison X. Scott, Leon V. Ewing, and Robert C. Mackey.

Rising Sun district—Jerome E. Brumfield, Edward Gibson, W. L. Ely, Albert R. McGrady, and Jos. E. Ayers.

Port Deposit district—Hugh Roe Herman Wilton Campbell, R. James Roe, Herman Jackson, I. Lawrence Paxon, Arthur L. Benjamin, and Levi P. Winchester.

Conowingo-Oakwood, G. Lewis Taylor, Willis Hathaway, and Hydes D. Graybeal.

Calvert-Zion district-Clifford England, John M. Clayton, and Allen Jones.

Suit For Divorce Filed

Through his counsel, J. Albert Roney, Jr., suit has been filed in the Circuit Court at Elkton by Mrs. Thelma L. Odenwald of this county, for an absolute divorce from her husband, Rudolf M. Odenwald, on the grounds of desertion. The bill of complaint states that the parties were married on June 24, 1922, in St. Paul, Minn., and that they lived together until 1935. Two minor children were born as a result of the union. The defendant is given until Sept. 25 to show cause why a decree should not be granted.

Farm Bureau Picnic

The annual all-day picnic by the Cecil County Farm Bureau, held Wednesday of last week, at white Crystal Manor, on the Elk River, was attended by members and friends of the organization from all parts of Cecil County. David McDowell of near Calvert, president of the Bureau, was in charge of the affair. Besides bathing, many of the attendants participated in various kinds of games. A picnic dinner was served during the afternoon.

Rain Breaks Drought

Rain overspread the bulk of Maryland's farming acreage Friday in some cases providing the first moisture of consequence in weeks and breaking a drought that had threatened to wreck farm crops.

The Eastern Shore, the State's noted vegetable-raising section, enjoyed 1.2 inches of rain in the thirty-six hours up to late Friday afternoon.

Passed Counterfeit $5.00 Bill

A man giving his name as James E. Harris, Norfolk, Va., was arrested in Elkton on a charge of passing a counterfeit $5 bill. Sheriff David Randolph and Officer T. Douden Reynolds of the Elkton Police said Harris had given the bill to an Elkton bakery driver.

Real Estate Sales

The Green Feed and Supply Company of Oxford, have purchased from the Philada., Baltimore and Washington Railroad, the tract of land on South Third Street near the freight depot where their ware house and railroad siding are now located. Wheeler & Grier, Realtors, negotiated this sale.

Short Course Club

The Short Course Club of Cecil County is sponsoring an evening of entertainment consisting of music, reading and refreshments, on the Armour lawn, near Bay View, on Friday evening, August 30th, at 8:00 o'clock. Public is invited.

One Hundredth Anniversary Of Church

Special Commemorative Exercises At Mount Pleasant

The congregation of Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church, near Colora, will observe the one hundredth anniversary of the church on Sunday, August 25th. The order of service will be: Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., Mr. Worthington, Superintendent.

Preaching 10:30 a.m. by Rev. O. E. Jones, D. D., of Georgetown, Del.

Song Service at 2:00 p. m.

Rev. W. H. Briggs, of Elsmere, Del., will give the Historical Address at 2:30 p. m.

Young People's Meeting at 7:30 p. m., in charge of Mr. John Lippincott.

Preaching at 8:00 p. m. by Rev. R. L. Shipley, D. D., of Baltimore.

There will be special music at each service. Rev. J. W. Jones is pator of the church and will be in charge of the services.

A cordail invitation is extended to the public to attend this notable anniversary of the church.

Lunch will be served by the ladies of the church at a moderate charge.

Special Services At The Methodist Church

Mr. Charles Showard, Chincoteague, Va., student of Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N. J., directed his own production, "The Musical Sea of Life," on Sunday evening, at the Janes Methodist church here.

A large audience attended the special musical presentation and was deeply impressed by the beautiful service. The choir, several soloists and readers assisted Mr. Showard in the presentation of the program. The program:

"Master, the Tempest is Raging," by the choir.

"In the Waves," solo by Mrs. R. C. Dodson.

Part II—"The Haven of Rest," sung by Miss Catherine Etter.

"Break, Break, Break," reading by Edwin Haines.

"Let the Lower Lights be Burning," duet by Mr. and Mrs. A. M. McNamee.

Part III—"Throw Out the Life Line," sang by H. W. Ewing.

Sermon, "The River of Life," by the minister, Rev. J. B. Dickerson.

"Jesus Calls Us," solo by Miss Anna Ryan.

Poem, "L'euvoi," given by Mrs. J. B. Dickerson.

"Crossing the Bar," sung by Mrs. R. C. Dodson. Benediction.

The musical program was heightened by the stage equipment, representing a large ship and a lighthouse and beautiful lighting effects, and the minister's sermon was especially appropiate to the impressive service.

Concert By Elkton Band

Under sponsorship of the Lions Club, the Elkton Band will give an openair concert in Center Square, Rising Sun, on the evening of Tuesdey, August 27.

Under the leadership of Sterling Dunbar, a native of the town of Elkton, the Band has attained high musical proficiency and the concert given here will be a real treat to all music lovers,—and who is it that does not enjoy band music.

The band boys are raising funds for the purchase of new uniforms and any contribution to this fund, no matter what amount, will be greatly appreciated by them.

To Sell Old Court House Equipment

The Board of County Commissioners for Cecil county, has decided to sell the furniture and fixtures in all the offices in the old court house building, at public sale. All the county offices have been moved to the new court house building, on East Main Street, Elkton, which was recently dedicated.

Liquor Violator Sent To House Of Correction

Making a second visit to Port Deposit, the result of protests about violations of the local liquor laws, David Randolph, Sheriff of Cecil county, placed under arrest Cephus Reed, colored, charged with selling no-tax liquor. He was immediately taken before Magistrate Howard Pugh, of that town, who sentenced Reed to one year in Maryland House of Correction.

Some men talk of their superiority every time they resist temptation.

Personal And Social

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Garvin and children enjoyed a trip to Atlantic City.

Mrs. Stanley McVey has been visiting her son, Wilson McVey and wife of Hyattsville, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude C. Buck and children are spending a two weeks vacation at Betterton.

Miss Peggy Balderston, of Ridley Park, Pa., was the recent guest of Mrs. Lydia M. Cameron.

Miss Anna Davidson and Miss Eleanor McCauley were week-end visitors at Atlantic City.

Mr. Norman Anderson, of Williamsport, Pa., was the recent guest of Miss A. Mabel Reynolds.

Miss Helen Gifford has returned from a visit with Miss Katherine Mullinix, at Dayton, Ohio.

Week-end guests of Mrs. Mollie Martindale were Mrs. Bessie Rants and daughter, of Media, Pa.

Mr. G. O. Bechtel, of Galesburg, Ill., is spending some time at his old home at West Nottingham.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vanneman, Baltimore, were recent visitors with his aunt, Miss Elizabeth R. Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wiley, Miss Dorothy Hindman and Kirk Brokaw were weekend visitors at Atlantic City.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Lawrence and son spent the weekend with his mother, Mr. Rachel Lawrence in Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Cherry and son, Bob, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Jacques in Garrett Park, Md.

Joseph Touchton, Jr., of Philada., is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Touchton, West Main Street.

Mrs. Taylor R. Biles and daughter Miss Ruth Biles, spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Roberson of Freehold, N. J.

Donald Dudley, Jr., and Linda Dudley, Silver Springs, Md., have been visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Ada Buffington.

Midshipman Robert Fehr, of Annapolis Naval Academy has been spending the week at his home here on a leave of absence.

Misses Dorothy Todd and Marion Tosh, of Baltimore, have been spending the week with their grandmother, Mrs. F. L. Lindamood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Worthington and son; Miss Hannah M. Kirk, Baltimore, were recent visitors of Mrs. Mary Cherry and Miss Louise Worthington.

Dr. and Mrs. M. T. Smith and daughter Charlotte have returned to their home in Warren, Pa., after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Cooney and family.

Mrs. Hugh McMullen, Mrs. Luther P. Shaffer, Mr. Henry Mackey, of Cumberland, Md., were luncheon guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil E. Ewing, at "The Bungalow".

Mrs. James Lewis Twadell, of Devon, Pa.; Mrs. David M. Pope and son, Arthur Twadell Pope, of Lake Forest, Illinois, were visitors this week of the former's niece, Mrs. Cecil E. Ewing.

Mrs. Mary Mahan, Miss Jennie Denning, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wilson enjoyed a motor trip over the Sky Line Drive, visit to Williamsburg and other interesting points in the Old Dominion State the past week.

Guests at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Dickerson the past week were Mrs. Charles Showard and son, Charles, of Chincoteague, Va.; Also Rev. and Mrs. Rowland Nelson and Rev. and Mrs. Richard Green, of Chincoteague and Hockessin were Sunday guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Roberson, Anne and Miss Catherine Etter were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Roberson, Freehold, New Jersey, during the week, and enjoyed the sights of the World's Fair while away.

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Dickerson will spend a few days this week at Asbury Park, N. J., attending the Methodist Camp Meeting services. They will also visit the World's Fair and friends in New York. Mr. Dickerson will return Saturday, so that he will be in the pulpit Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Perkins of Swarthmore, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Virginia France, to Philip George Cressman son of Dr. and Mrs. Howard Cressman, also of Swarthmore.

Miss Doris E. Simmons, daughter of Mrs. Laura V. Simmons, of Elkton, and Mr. S. Newton Bosworth, of Elkins, W. Va., were quietly married in Chestertown, Tuesday, Aug. 13, by Rev. Paul Reynolds. They were attended by Mrs. Frederick H. Birdseye, sister of the bride. The young couple will reside in Elkton.

Appointments Made By School Board

Delegation Urges Consolidated Elementary School In Eighth Election Dist.

The Board of Education met in regular sesion on Tuesday, August 13th. Those present were Mr. J. E. Crothers, President; Mrs. Wallace Williams, Vice-President, and Dr. T. B. Moore.

The minutes of the regular meeting of July 9th were read and approved, and sundry bills ordered paid.

A letter was received from C. J. Langenfelder & Son, Contractors on the new dual highway, expressing their regret that they encroached on the Perryville High School property with a detour. The Contractors assured the Board that all repairs and damages would be adjusted satisfactorily when the job is completed.

The following resignations were received and accepted with regret: Mr. E. B. Fockler, Principal of the Chesapeake City High School and Mr. Roger S. Harrison, Assistant in the Elkton Colored High School.

Mr. Richard Aiken and Mr. J. P. Sullivan came before the Board regarding bus service on the road between Warwick and the Church Road section. The Board agreed to have the Superintendent check with Mr. Powell, bus contractor in the first district, regarding the possibility of providing bus service for this section and the cost of same.

The following resolution was received with interest by the Board: "Be It Resolved' That the Maryland State Poultry Council does hereby express its sincere appreciation to the Cecil County Board of Education for their fine contributions of hospitality extended the Council in connection with its Annual ,Summer Meeting in Elkton on July 31, 1940.

Maryland State Poultry Council, W. H. Rice, Secretary."

A delegation from the Eighth District, Mrs. T. Barnard Walters, spokesman, came before the Board in the interest of a consolidated elementary school in the Eighth District. The Board agreed to consider this request during the coming school year and to make various investigations regarding the practical aspect of this consolidation.

The Board decided to re-advertise for bids on the proposed bus route to be established from Jackson's Cross Roads to Bay View.

The Board decided to have the firm of Charles O. Hall, of Baltimore, audit the books for the school year 1939-1940.

The following appointments were approved by the Board-Mr. George J. Balog, Principal of the Chesapeake City High School; Mr. Roy L. Robertson, Assistant in the North East High School; Mr. H. Weston Tolle, Industrial Arts Teacher in the Cecilton High School; Mr. Harry N. Simms, Assistant in the Elkton Colored High Scohol.

The Annual Report for the year 1939-1940 was received and discussed with much interest by the Board.

Beers--Wilkinson

The marriage of Miss Helen Beers daughter of Mr. Stanley Beers of Elkton, and Mr. Vernon H. Wilkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wilkinson, Lewisville, Pa., took place at 11 o'clock Saturday morning , August 10, in the Methodist church, Lewisville. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. K. McCorkle, pastor of the church. The attendants were Mrs. Grace Armour of Bay View, and Frank Simmers, Zion.

Barr--Logan

The marriage of Miss Ruth Barr, daughter of Mr. Rowland Barr and the late Mrs. Barr of Port Deposit, and Mr. George C. Logan, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Clinton Logan of Rising Sun, was solemnized on Friday afternoon, Aug. 16, at two o'clock. The ceremony was performed at the Methodist Church at Warwick, Cecil County, by the pastor Rev. Paul McCoy.

Miss Barr had as her ouly attendant her sister, Miss Louise Barr, of Havre de Grace and their brother, Mr. Ellsworth Barr, of Port Deposit, acted as best man.

The bride wore a gown of stony blue crepe with navy accessories and corsage of white roses. Her sister wore poudre blue crepe with white accessories and corsage of pink roses.

Following a southern motor trip the happy couple will make their home, for the present, with Mr. Logan's parents, in this town.

Mrs. Logan is a graduate of Tome School, Port Deposit and Mr. Logan of Rising Sun High School and Bliss Electrical School, Washington, D. C.