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## Eight Counties Free From Diphtheria

### Nineteen Counties In State Report No Deaths From The Dread Disease

Nineteen of the twenty-three counties of Maryland had no deaths from diphtheria in 1940 and eight of this number were free from sickness as well as from deaths from the disease during th year.

Allegany, Calvert, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Kent, Queen Anne's and Somerset Counties, had neither sickness nor deaths from diphtheria during the year. Anne Arundel, Caroline, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Prince George's, Saint Mary's, Washington, Wicomico and Worchester, had some sickness from diphtheria, but no deaths from the disease during the year.

Two of these counties--Kent and Queen Anne's--have had an unbroken record, for the last four years, of freedom from both sickness and deaths from diphtheria.

In calling attention to these records, Dr. R. H. Riley, Director of the State Department of Health, expressed the hope that eventually it would be as unusual to have a case of diphtheria in Maryland as it now is to have one of smallpox.

"We have a State Law", he continued "which requires all children to be vaccinated against smallpox before they may be enrolled in any public school in the State. Our freedom from smallpox is due largely to the intelligent compliance of the people of Maryland in the observance of this requirement. We have not had a case of smallpox in Maryland in ten years.

"We have no law requiring children to be protected against diphtheria, but through the use of what is known as 'toxiod', children can be protected against diphtheria, in the same way that they can be vaccinated against smallpox. Parents are urged to have their children protected against diphtheria, by their own doctors, before they are a year old. Clinics are held by the Health Departments in all of the counties and in Baltimore City, for the protection of children who cannot have it done otherwise.

Thousands of parents avail themselves of these opportunities to have their children safeguarded against diphtheria. The results are shown in the gradual decrease in sickness and deaths from this disease. Twenty year sago--in 1920--there were over 2,500 cases of diphtheria in Maryland, with nearly 200 deaths. Ten years ago-- in 1920--there were over 1,100 cases with 60 deaths. Last year--1940--there were 153 cases--49 in Baltimore City, and 104 in the counties, with 7 deaths, 6 of which occurred in the counties.

"Whenever a case of diphtheria is reported, 'not protected' usually appears on the record. We are looking forward to the time when every child in the State is protected and when our record for diphtheria will be as blank as it now is for smallpox."

### Compassion Sunday

March 2nd, 1941

The Civic and Community organizations of the local community will join with the Methodist church next Sunday to observe Compassion Sunday.

The Lion's Club of which Mr. John C. Hindman is President, will worship with the Church Congregation as a special feature for the observance. The fire company of which Mr. Taylor Biles is President, will attend this service in body as a part of the observance.

The gifts that will be received at this service will go to the destroyed British churches and their congratories, for overseas relief, and for moral, and religious work among our Caplains.

The presidents of all the community and civic organizations heartily endorse this effort.

Every good citizen will want to share in this great Compassion Day.

### Drunk And Disorderly

After imbibing too freely Saturday evening Earl Akers, of North East, made himself objectionable in stores and on the streets of our town and was finally placed in the town lock-up by Town Officer Cooper. After sobering up he posted bond for his appearance at a hearing before the Magistrate on February 28th.

### American Legion Show

The members of Cecil Post, No. 15, American Legion of Elkton, have decided to again sponsor an automobile and mercantile show in the Armory building at Elkton March 5 to 8, inclusive.

The Post has presented a large American flag to Cherry Hill elementary school.

## Company E Leaves For Camp Meade

Company E, 115th Infantry, formerly Company E, First Regiment of this county, received orders to leave the State Armory, at Elkaon, where it had been quartered for three weeks, for Camp Meade, near Baltimore, on Friday morning. A truck convoy left the armory at 7 o'clock and proceeded directly to Camp Meade.

During the last week there were several changes in the personnel of the officers and enlisted men. Lieut. J. Victor McCool left to attend the 29th Division Officers' Training School at Fort Meade. Lieut. Ralph W. McCool was inducted into federal service on Monday last, and assigned to Company E. Lieut. J. Gifford Scrborough was transferred from Company D at Bel Air ,and assigned to Company K.

Several of the enlisted men have been assigned to various posts. Private First Class Malvern H. Jones, Bernard K. Hitchens nd Private F. Frederick Hope are now attending the bakers and cooks school at Frederick. Private First Class Frank P. McCool and Private George G. Ewing, Henry L. Gordner and Harry Lucas have been transferred to 58th Brigade Headquarters, at Fort Meade.

Eleven men were lost to the company as a result of rigid physical examinations given by army doctors.

### Injured By Kick Of Horse

Scott Ankrum, of near Chestnut Level, Pa., was seriously injured when kicked by a horse at a public sale. He was struck on the leg above the knee, and while no bones were broken Mr. Ank[illegible] unable to use the member, [illegible]rced to hobble about on crutches.

Judson Wagner, who was standing beside Scott, was also kicked at the same time. He was struck on the calf of the leg and cut. He was treated by a doctor, and is also on crutches.

### Tuberculosis Clinic In Cecil

The tuberculosis clinic for Cecil County will be held on March 12, at 10:00 A. M. This month the clinic will take place at County Health Dept., in Elkton.

This is one of the clinics that are held every month in all the counties of Maryland by the Maryland Tuberculosis Association. All of these clinics are free.

Dr. W. A. Bridges, the clinician, will be in charge of the examinations.

### Loses Control Of Auto

Edward Benson of Chesapeake City is in Union Hospital, Elkton, suffering from concussion of the brain and an injured nose as a result of losing control of his car near Waterford, three miles south of Elkton. The machine crashed into a telephone pole and overturned. The car was badly wrecked.

### Wins Prize At Livestock Show

H. Boyns Crowgey, Jr., of Elkton, won first prize in the Jersey Department of the Students Livestock Show at Farm and Home Week at Cornell University. He was also the winner of a Jersey calf which was donated by Loch Lee Jerseys of Williamsport, New York, as a special prize.

### Barn Near Bay View Burned

The barn on the farm owned by Mrs. R. J. Reed, located near Bay View, and tenanted by Mrs. Mollie Williams, was destroyed by fire on Feb. 14. The origin is unknown. The place is known as the place Simcoe farm.

### Injured In Sledding Accident

Thad M. Ferguson, Quarryville, Pa., whose daughter, Joanne Fay, eleven, suffered a broken back, in a sledding accident, has entered suit against Ivan Greenawalt, of Quarryville, whose car allegedly hit the child's sled. The accident occurred on West State Street, Quarryville, on the evening of Dec. 5th.

### Meeting Of Red Cross

There will be a meeting of the Rising Sun Branch of the Cecil County Red Cross on Monday March 3rd, at 2:30 p. m., in the recreation room of Firemen's Hall. The purpose of the meeting is for the election of officers and planning for the coming year.

Mrs. R. C. Dodson, chairman

Head of Elk Chapter, D.A.R., of Elkton, has elected Mrs. Arthur Cantwell delegate to the National Convntion, with Mrs. Wirt Lynch, Miss Mollie Howard Ash, and Mrs. Irwin T. Kepler, as alternates.

## Governor Makes Political Appointments

### Coroner And Magistrates Pulled From Green Bag

The Governor's green bag had some political plums in it for Cecil countains, when appointments were made on Thursday.

Dr. J. B. Slicer, of Rising Sun, was reappointed Coroner for the county.

Clifford E. Marker, of Rising Sun, was reappointed magistate; Howard F. Pugh, of Port Deposit, magistrate; James Rodney, of Chesapeake City, Magistrate.

Daniel H. Garrett, of Elkton, was appointed magistrate to take the place of Lieut. G. Reynolds Ash, who is in military service. Mr. Garrett stated he would resign when Lieut. Ash returns from service.

The new Board of Supervisors of Elections are Harvey W. Ewing, B. Horace Lilley and Tobias Rudolph. T. Bayard Vinyard was replaced by Mr. Lilley.

### Port Deposit Firemen Enjoy Banquet

The Water Witch Fire Company of Port Deposit, enjoyed their annual banquet on the evening of Feb. 18. A splendid turkey dinner was served in Nesbitt Hall by the ladies of the Methodist church.

Mr. Pierre LeBrun acted as toastmaster. Among the speakers were Dr. Trentwell Mason White, headmaster of Tome School and Senator Cecil Squire.

Mr. John F. McNulty, president of the Maryland State Firemen's talked on part volunteer firemen are playing in England in the present war. Mr. McNulty stated that if the United States were ever attacked fro mthe air the volunteers here would be the first line of defense.

Mrs. Ira Brannan, president of the Ladies Auxiliary presented President Ernest Baker with a check for $50 for the fund for the new fire truck, now on order. President Baker also presented cash awards to members attending the greatest number of fires in a certain period Martin Tyson, 14 out of 18; Assistant Chief James Charshee, Jack Williams, William B. Campbell, Amos Williams, Clifton Backburn and Aaron Love.

Guests were present from Rising Sun, Havre de Grace, North East and Ekton.

## Four Injured When Plane Crashes

### Forced Landing Near North East Wrecks Aircraft

Four men were injured Saturday night when their monoplane made a forced landing in a thicket on the farm of George W. Pennington, two miles south of North East.

Although the plane was badly damaged, the occupants escaped critical injury.

Edmond Daley, Rockville, and Winfield Treadwell, Washington, each suffered a broken leg. William Melton, of Silver Spring, received bruises, and Troy Jacobs, Takoma Park, was cut on the face and body. They were taken to Washington in an ambulance.

### Auto Thief Arrested

Francis Rouark, of Elkton, was arrested in Salisbury, Md., and taken to Newark by Chief of Police Cunningham and Officer Hill on an auto theft charge.

Rouark admitted the charge under questioning and was tried before Magistrate Eubanks who held him for $500 bond for the Court of General Sessions.

The car, a Ford Tudor belonging to Edwin Stigile, was taken from the Continental-Diamond Fibre Co. parking lot, in Newark, Del., on the night of February 11. It was found abandoned on the Elkton road about five miles South of Newark and returned to its owner, who is employed at the Continental.

Officers traced Rouark to Salisbury where they had authorities make the arrest pending their arrival. Rouark was formerly employed at the Continental but failed to return to work after suspicion of the theft was pinned on him.

### Sent To Cheltenham School

Leonard Christie, colored, aged 14 years, of Rising Sun, who was supposed to attend public school at Mt. Zoar, near Conowingo, but devoted most of his educational endeavors toward playing "hookie", was haled before Magistrate C. E. Marker of this town, by the school authorities last week. The Magistrate ordered that Leonard be committed to Cheltenham Reform School until he is 16 years of age. His term at Cheltenham, however, is predicated on good behavior, and may be long or short at the discretion of the school authorities.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS

School Commissionrs J. E. Crothers and Dr. T. B. Moore, accompanied by County Superintendent H. E. McBride and Attendance Officer Edwin H. Barnes attended the annual convention of the National Educational Association in session at Atlantic City this week.

Miss Peggy Tyson, of Akron, Ohio, was a visitor this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Tyson, Cherry street. She made the trip from Akron to Washington by airplane, the time required being one hour and fourty-six minutes.

Harold Brown and family, of Cedar Farm, Calvert, are spending some time in Miami, Florida. Beverly Rintz and wife are occupying the Brown home in their absence.

Miss Ann Roberson, of Washington, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Roberson.

Mrs. Morton McCardell entertained her father, Mr. J. C. Blackenbeckler, of Raspburg, Md., on Tuesday.

Austin McCummings of Baltimore, was a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckley.

Mrs. Ethel Briscoe is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Hartenstine, of Perryville.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McIntire and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Morton McCardell.

Mr. Cecil E. Ewing has been confined to the house for the past week by illness, but is improving.

Mrs. H. K. Thomas has been quite ill at her home on Cherry Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Buckley entertained at a turkey dinner in honor of their granddaughter, the following: Mr. and Mrs. William Reynolds, son William, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Phleet Cooper and daughter, Mary Virginia, Misses Mary and Anna Gyles, Mrs. Maude Honaker and Miss Helen Reeder.

George McVey, of the 33rd Pursuit Squadron, Mitchell Field, Long Island, N. Y.; Doris McVey, of State Teachers College, Salisbury, Md., and Henry Tiffany, of the Signal Corp, Fort Monmouth, N. J., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. T. B. McVey, of Rising Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Donache and daughter, of Oxford, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Young, of Perry Point, spent Sunday with Mrs. Emma Donache and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams.

Mrs. Frank Rowland, Miss Mary Warrington and Miss Duane Tyson left Port Deposit on Tuesday for a visit with Wallace M. Rowland who is located at Fort Sam Houstan, Texas.

Mrs. Josph E. Cameron had as her guests on Thursday Mrs. Harry Lungren, Mrs. Clement Mackey and son, Philip, Lewisville, Pa.; Mrs. Byard Yerkes, Oxford, Pa.

Miss Mamie Kirk, of Port Deposit, is the guest of Mrs. Carrie Cameron.

Sidney Venable was home from Hampton-Sidney College, for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ashby enjoyed a trip through the Northern States the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sadler are enjoying a stay in Miami, Florida.

### County Finances

Edwin S. Dorcus, treasurer of Cecil County, has issued a cash statement of the county, for the past year. It shows the receipts of the county from all sources was $579,739.84, and the expenditures $574,510.09, leaving a balance of $5,219.75.

### Joins 104th Medical Regiment

At a recent meeting of directors of the National Bank of North East, the resignation of Allen Gray, an employe, was accepted. Mr. Gray will join the 104th Medical Regiment, U. S. Army, and Mrs. Charles C. McCauley was appointed to replace him.

## Fire Destroys Home At Appleton

Firemen from Elkton and Newark Del., fought for more than three hours on Tuesday afternoon, of last week, before succeeding in extinguishing a fire at the home of Harry Lee, near Appleton. Several thousand dollars damage was done to the property.

The fire, believed to have been caused by sparks from the chimney, set fire to the roof and when the firemen arrived the roof and top floor were a mass of flames, The Singerly Fire Co. of Elkton pumped two streams on the blaze from a nearby stream while the Newark firemen used their booster tank to extinguish fires at the barn and outbuildings. A large quantity of furniture was saved.

Members of the Lee family and neighbors succeeded in saving most of the furniture located on the first floor. Casper Dunbar, a member of the Elkton fire company, was struck in the face by a falling ember and painfully burned. The loss is estimated at about $3,000.

### Engagements Announced

The Rev. and Mrs. J. C. McCoy of Newport, Del., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Evelyn Virginia McCoy, to Dr. William Fulmer Hartman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Edwin M. Hartman of Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Miss McCoy is a graduate of West Nottingham Academy, Colora, Md., and the Methodist Hospital Training School for Nurses in Philada., and is a member of the nursing staff of the Burlington County Hospital, at Mt. Holly, N. J.

Dr. Hartman is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College of Lancaster, Pa., and the University of Penna. Medical Collegt, and is an obstetrician and gynecologist at Lancaster, Pa.

The bride-to-be is well known here, where the family resided for several years.

Mrs. Iva B. Miller, of Little Britian, Pa., announces the engagement of her daughter, Elma L. Miller, to Lster W. Pownall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester H. Pownall also of Little Britian.

Mrs. Claudia McCreary, of Elkton, announces the engagement of her daughter, Anna M., to Mr. John Pearce Chilcoat, of Elkton, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanley Chilcoat, of Bel Air, Md., the wedding to take place in the late Spring.

### Motion Pictures Of Albania

At the dinner meeting of the Lions Club, Thursday evening last, at the Village Restaurant, the speaker of the evening was Rev. A. W. Konrad, pastor of Grace Bible Chapel, near Calvert.

Rev. Konrad is a returned mission ary from Albania, where he spent three years carrying the gospel to the primitive people of that foreign land. The outbreak of war caused the missionaires to leave the country and return to the good old U. S. A.

Rev. Konrad during his travels about Albania took many pictures with his camera, and these he presented on the screen for the benefit of the Lions Thursday evening, told of interesting customs that prevailed, together with personal experiences met with while he was carrying the gospel message to the people there.

Other pictures taken in Greece and elsewhere were shown and interesting descriptions given.

### Field Representative Of NYA

J. Edgar Robinson, a graduate of the State Teachers College, has been appointed a field representative of the National Youth Administration to assist in Maryland NYA work in Harford, Cecil and Eastern Shore counties. Mr. Robinson formerly taught in the schools at Ocean City. He will work with school principals on the program.

### Entertains Missionary Society

Mrs. Ernest Rowland entertained the February meeting of the Home and Foreign Missionary Society of West Nottingham Presbyterian Church on Thursday afternoon. The leaders were: Devotional, Mrs. Robert W. Cameron; Negro in America, Mrs. S. J. Venable; Africa, Mrs. Luther Hindman.

### Auxiliary To Hold Bake

The Ladiees Auxiliary of the Community Fire Company of Rising Sun will hold a bake in the recreation room of Firemen's Hall on Saturday, March 1st, beginning at eleven o'clock, in time for you to purchase fresh rolls, bread, pies or cake for your noon-day meal. Your patronage is solicited.

## Governor To Ask Tax On Half Mile Tracks

### Announces Plan To Solve The Problem Of Liquidating Negro Teacher's Pay

Governor O'Conor on Thursday announced the solution of the knotty fiscal problem of equalizing negro teachers' pay with that of white instructors.

His plan, which immediately was approved by a special committee named to study the question, calls for the imposition of a State tax—the only new levy involved—on Maryland's half-mile race tracks.

It also will give to Baltimore City, out of the $950,000 the plan requires over the next two-year period, an additional $225,000.

In addition to the tax on half-mile tracks, estimated to yield $95,000 a year, the nineteen counties in which the inequality in pay exists will be obliged to levy an additional 2 cents on their tax rates in 1942 and still another cent in 1943.

In order to permit the counties to take up their share of the burden of the equalization, the salaries of the negro teachers will not be raised until January 1, 1942, when the tax levies of most of the counties are set.

The Governor's plan calls for $425,000 in 1942 and $525,000 in 1943.

In each of the two years, $125,000 would be given to Baltimore city to offset the loss in revenue—estimated at $135,000—that the municipality sustained when the rates of the income tax were lowered by the Legislature last week.

The Governor named the special committee of fiscal officials, legislators and representatives of the Department of Education to attempt to work out means of raising the negro teacher's pay when a move was started in the Legislature to make the State bear the full cost of the equalization.

The equalization was ordered—in effect--by a Federal Court decision in which it was held that the different scales of pay for white and negro teachers were discriminatory.

The counties now are obliged—in order to participate in the equalization fund of the State Department of Education—to levy a minimum of 51 cents for school purposes.

If a county levies 51 cents under the present law and the levy does not produce sufficient funds to carry a minimum standard program of education, the balance is financed from the equalization fund.

The counties participating in the fund—nineteen of them—in 1942 will have to levy a minimum of 53 cents, and 54 cents in 1943, in order to obtain assistance from the equalization fund.

### Bryson--Sparks

Miss Eleanor E. Bryson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bryson, of Philada., Pa., formerly of Cecil County, and Mr. William Sparks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Sparks, of Philada., were married in Berry Long Memorial Methodist Church at 4 o'clock, Saturday, February 15. The Rev. George Connor officiating.

The bride, attired in white taffeta and carrying roses and sweetpeas, was given in marriage by her father, and had as her maid of honor, her sister, Miss Ethel S. Bryson. Miss Kathryn McKinnon, also of Philada., Pa., was her bridesmaid. Mr. Richard J. Conner was best man, and Mr. Mark Mull and Mr. William Tomlinson, all of Philada., were ushers.

Mr. Edward R. Thompson, also of Philada., sang, "At Dawning" and "Because".

### Butler--Kemether

Miss Emma V. Butler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Butler of near Summit Bridge, Del., and Mr. Joseph F. Kemether, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kemether of near Rising Sun, Md., were married Saturday, Feb. 15, in the Methodist parsonage, St. Georges, by the Rev. L. John Sparklin. They were attended by Miss Reba M. Kemether, sister of the bridegroom, and Mr. John R. Butler, Jr., brother of the bride. After a wedding trip the couple will live at Elkton.

### Leonzi--Iannone

Miss Mary Leonzi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonzi, of Wilmington, Del., was united in marriage on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 23, at four o'clock, with Mr. Frank D. Iannone, of Elkton, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Iannone, of Wilmington.

The ceremony was performed in Sa. Anthony's R. C. Church, in Wilmington, by the Rev. J. Francis Tucker.

The Cecil County P.T.A. Council will meet on Monday, March 3, at 8 P. M., in Elkton High School.