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## Membership Drive By Homemakers Conducted Through- out Month Of November

"Hi, Neighbor, won't you join our Homemakers Club. You can help us by joining and we can help you with all of your problems". Such is the slogan which Homemakers all over the State of Maryland are going to use during the Month of November, 1941, in a gigantic Membership Drive under the direction of Mrs. Donald S. Stubbs, Street, Md. State Membership Chairman. 12,000 women in Maryland have earned the title, P. H. M., "Professional Homemaker" in the 355 Clubs and Miss Helen Irene Smith, Home Demonstration Agent, reports that the 14 Clubs in this County have 355 members. This work is under the direction of Miss Venia M. Kellar, Assistant Director, Extension Service, University of Maryland, and gives to the rural women—insight to solve her family problems, skill to daily operate her home successfully, courage to follow Modern trends practically and enjoyment in her fellow-men.

The Membership Drive to enroll present Homemakers and each to add one new Neighbor, began officially throughout the State November 1st and closes November 30th, 1941, with a great Booster Day Get-Together of all Homemakers on Saturday afternoon, December 13th, 1941 when a Radio Broadcast sponsored by State Membership Committee will proclaim final enrollment for files as of January 1, 1942. Mrs. S. Awilda Spence, Elkton, Maryland, Kenmore Club has been appointed to serve as County Membership Chairman and will sponsor news writeups weekly pertaining to the Homemakers and doings and will act on State Membership Committee.

Neighbor, you will never regret taking this opportunity to affiliate yourself with a local Homemakers Club where all information is free and generous and Homemakers want the privilege to extend to you the knowledge they receive so bountifully by giving you the title "PHM", professional Homemaker.

Mrs. D. S. Stubbs, State Council Homemaker Membership Chairman.

The Young Women's Bible Class held a Halloween Party in the basement of the Methodist Church, Thursday evening.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL MENTION

Attending the first formal dance of the school year at West Nottingham Academy Saturday night were Misses Elizabeth Morgan, Dorothea Eder and Betty Hudson, of Elkton; Joann Emrey, Ellen Clendenin, Norma Price and Eleanor Jane Slaybaugh, of Colorado; Wanda Reynolds, Anne Lane Wilson and Caroline Sebold, of Rising Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wilson Nottingham, Pa., were guests of honor at a family dinner Sunday at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ludwig, Norristown, in honor of their fortieth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gibson, of near Colorado, are being congratulated on the birth of a son, weight 7 1/2 lbs., born October 25, in Union Hospital, Elkton. Mrs. Gibson was formerly Miss Helen Brown, of Principio Furnace.

Dr. and Mrs. William Workman, Mt. Joy, Pa., were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Workman's sisters, Mrs. Mary Cherry and Miss Louise Worthington.

Miss Lucile Anderson and Mr. Joseph Heirt, of Altoona, Pa., were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond M. Shingler during the week.

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Paul J. Eldred, of Colorado, and Jane T. MacCauley, of Rowlandsville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fassitt enjoyed an automobile trip to Morgantown, West Va., the past week.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank White, of Ocean City, Md., were Rising Sun visitors during the week.

Miss Helen Shepherd, Accomac, Virginia, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Jean Shepherd.

Master John Shook has been a victim of illness for several days passed.

John Hirzel, of Wilmington, was a Sunday visitor at the home of Mrs. Jennie W. Taylor.

## DEFENSE HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

J. H. Minster, Elkton, of the Defense Council announces that Omar D. Crothers, Jr., has been appointed member of the Steering Committee and is Co-Chairman with Dr. C. A. Kane of the Defense Health and Welfare Committee for Cecil County. Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Chairman of the Women's Division will work jointly with this Committee.

The Defense Health and Welfare Committee was defined as a clearing and coordinating agency for programs and activities relating to health and welfare, particularly as affected by changes in population and social problems arising from defense activities.

"Others on the committee are: Messrs. A. L. Peters, Ernest Lund, Edward McKenzie, James Weinroth, H. W. Tolle, and Harry Smith, Elkton; Joseph Grant, North East; Joseph Dickerson, Rising Sun; and Pierre Le Brun, Port Deposit. Also Mrs. Elsie Coles, Miss Olive Reynolds, Miss Helen Irene Smith, Mrs. Mercer Terrell, Mrs. Wallace Williams, Mrs. Joseph Williams, Mrs. Dorothy Doering, Elkton; Mrs. George K. Bailey, Cecilton.

## York County Corn Husker Champion

Stanley Yeager, of Mt. Wolf, York County, who has won the Keystone State Corn Husking Contest three years, won the Pennsylvania Corn Husking Derby Saturday, October 25 on the Hershey Estates. He husked 30.99 bushels of corn in eighty minutes, .72 of a bushel more than last year.

His brother, Oron C. Yeager, also of Mt. Wolf, was the runner-up with a total of 29.80 bushels. Stanley is 46 years old and his brother 42.

These brothers represented Pennsylvania in the National Corn Husking Contest, at Tonica, Ill., November 3rd.

Fifteen counties were represented in the corn husking contest, including Lancaster.

Thousands of people watched the contestants and hundreds followed their local favorites as the men began the annual battle of speed.

Paul Van Cleave, Lancaster County, husked 27.85 bushels in the contest, and Thomas Michener, Lancaster County, 27.63.

The winer is determined by adding deductions for gleanings and husks and subtracting this total from the corn brought in from the field. The contestant with the largest net pounds is the winner.

## CIVILIAN DEFENSE WEEK PROCLAIMED BY O'CONOR

### Period From November 11 To 16 Set Aside For Consideration Of Individuals' Duties

Governor Herbert R. O'Connor on Tuesday issued a proclamation officially designating the period from Tuesday, November 11, to Sunday, November 16, as "Civilian Defense Week", the above period to be set aside "as a time for all persons throughout the nation to give thought to their duties and responsibilities in the defense of this country", and urging upon the citizens that during the above period they give the utmost consideration to the needs of Civilian Defense within our state.

The proclamation supplements that of President Roosevelt to the entire country on October 22.

"I have issued the proclamation mentioned above," said Governor O'Connor, "in an effort to carry out the desires of the President within the State of Maryland, and have requested the State Council of Defense under the chairmanship of Mr. W. Frank Roberts, and through the State Council, all Local Defense Councils to promote in every possible way the purposes of the week, and also confidently call on all state, city and county officials and also civic, patriotic, fraternal, religious and other organizations, to follow the lead of the Defense Councils and their local officials in making effective the desires of the President.

"There are three basic purposes of the week," continued the Governor: "1. To stimulate people to an awareness of the need for Civilian Defense and the many specific ways in which people can participate. 2.

To inform the people as to how local civilian defense groups are being organized and how individuals can serve. 3. To stimulate the establishment of machinery for the enlistment of volunteers for those activities which come under the head of Protective Services, and those others which can best be described as community services."

To give effect to the program throughout the country, the Office of Civilian Defense, under Mayor F. H. LaGuardia has outlined the following program for each day.

Armistice Day—Tuesday, November 11. Theme—Only by being stronger than anyone else, which means total preparedness, can we hope to avert the celebration of a second World War Armistice Day.

Wednesday, November 12—War against waste day. Theme—The party is over. We must stop extravagances. Save, simplify and substitute.

Thursday, November 13—Sign up for Defense Day. Theme—There will be a part in civilian defense for you.

Friday, November 14—Health and Welfare Day. Theme—Only a fit nation can defend itself.

Saturday, November 15—Civilian Protection Day. Theme—We must be ready.

Sunday, November 16—Freedom Day. Theme—A nation founded upon essential freedoms must defend them.

"I am sure the citizens of Maryland will unitedly rally to the call of the President," the Governor concluded.

## Women's Defense Rally

A defense rally for the women of Cecil county under the direction of the Woman's Division of the National Defense Council of Cecil County will be held on November 10 at 2:30 o'clock in the Elkton High School.

Governor Herbert R. O'Connor will be the speaker and guest of honor; Mrs. O'Connor will also attend. Mrs. John K. Burkley is chairman of the meeting. Mrs. James Hughes is chairman of the National Defense Council of Cecil County. A tea will follow the meeting.

## Hospital Donation

The ladies of the Sixth District Auxiliary of Union Hospital have selected Saturday, November 15, as the date of their annual donation appeal. Anyone desiring to contribute provisions, vegetables, fruit, preserves, or anything that can be used by the hospital, including money, will have an opportunity to do so. Articles may be left at the home of Miss Mary Brumfield, in this town, and will be sent to the Hospital, at Elkton.

## Boy Scouts Have Successful Bake

The bake conducted on Saturday by the Mother's Auxiliary of Rising Sun Boy Scout Troop, in the Allee & Shepherd store room was a great success. The generous donations of various baked goods, preserves, etc., by the housewives of the community, and the liberal patronage of the public brought the receipts up to a grand total of \$59.05.

The Scout Master and members of the troop all gave active aid. The boys advertised the bake by patrolling the streets with placarded "sandwich" Scouts and also a bell-ringer, mounted on a bicycle.

The Scout Master, members of the Troop and Mothers Auxiliary are very grateful to all for the hearty support given, which brought about such a grand success.

The money will be used to buy much needed equipment for the Troop.

## Alpha Bids Fifteen Students

The Alpha literary society announced last week that a bid had been sent to Miss Virginia Richards. This is one of the three literary societies on the Madison College Campus, Harrisonburg, Va.

Miss Richards is a daughter of Mr. Joseph T. Richards and a member of the Junior Class.

## Mothers Auxiliary Formed

The mothers of the members of Troop 28, Boy Scouts of this town, have formed an Auxiliary and are lending a helping hand to the Scout Master and the boys. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Claude C. Buck; vice-president, Mrs. Sherman; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Virginia Durham.

## Kills Wife And Commits Suicide

Oliver W. Gilpin, 66, prominent lawyer, banker and landowner, who lived in Elkton a number of years, shot and killed his wife and then took his own life on Oct. 27, at Kittingan, Pa.

The bodies of Gilpin and his wife, Emily, 56, were found in Mrs. Gilpin's bedroom. Pinned to a pillow on Gilpin's bed was a note addressed to the Kittingan Daily Leader Times in which Gilpin, president of the Armstrong County Trust Company, attributed his act to illness. He said the trust company is perfectly sound.

## Fall Meeting Of Women's Democratic Club

The Fall meeting of the Women's Democratic Club of Cecil county, was held at the Madison House, near North East, Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 28. Mrs. John K. Burkley, the president, presided. Miss Bertha Balderston, of Colorado, spoke on foreign policy; Mrs. Arthur Van Lill, on inflation, and Mrs. James W. Hughes, chairman of the Women's Division of National Defense for Cecil county, spoke on National Defense. Mrs. Thomas Garrett, Elkton, was hostess to the meeting.

## Tome Institute Directors

At the recent annual meeting of directors of the Jacob Tome Institute, Port Deposit, held at Jefferson Hall, the following were chosen: Richard E. Tome, Robert W. Black, Baltimore; Dr. C. I. Benson, Rev. Kenneth Walter, Dr. E. S. Boyle, Dr. W. G. Jack, Walter E. Buck, George W. Morrison, Chester T. Kimble and Kay S. Leazer, Port Deposit; Thomas Borneman and Leo M. Moore, Havre de Grace.

## Concert By High School Orchestra

The recently organized Elkton High School Orchestra gave its first public concert on Wednesday evening of last week, at North East High school auditorium, under direction of Mr. Hugh Stewart of the County Music Department. The orchestra, although organized since the opening of the school year in September, gave a very creditable performance and the director is highly gratified at the progress made by the pupils.

## Fulton Township Farm Brings \$17,600

At public auction of the 186-acre farm of the late Cyrus Eckman in Fulton Township, between Wrightsdale and the Maryland line, Oct. 26, it was sold for \$17,600. The purchaser was the administrator, Mrs. Maude E. Wiley, a daughter of the late owner. There is a frame tenant house on the property also.

Fools sometimes rush in and win while wise men are investigating.

## HUNTERS URGED TO USE CARE WHEN NEAR CCC CAMP

CCC Camps are rather numerous in Maryland and the young men in these camps have done excellent work for the benefit of our State in the conservation of soil, educating the farmer to the necessity of preventing erosion, and the conservation of forests, which is beneficial to the conservation of wildlife, and they need your co-operation.

We appeal to you at this time to be careful if you go hunting. Do not shoot toward a CCC Camp or where men are working on any Federal or State project, and do not hunt in the vicinity thereof. There should be no hunting within at least one-half mile of any CCC Camp or Work project or where men are at work, either on the road or in the forests, and we ask your co-operation in granting this request and preventing possible injury to some person through negligence on your part.

The superintendents of all CCC Camps have received orders from Mr. J. J. McEntee, Director, Civilian Conservation Corps, to post warning signs approximately one-half mile in all directions surrounding the camps and where men are working, and we must request your co-operation in prohibiting hunting within said area.

It is very encouraging to report that Mr. McEntee informs us that through the co-operation received through the press, the public and this department during the past few years there have been no serious accidents to any of the employees at a CCC Camp in Maryland. This is excellent, so let's be careful, cautious and considerate of others and keep our record 100% clean.

We also request your co-operation in preventing the "Red Menace" (fire) from destroying our forest areas. Do not drop matches, empty your pipe or throw a lighted cigar or cigarette on the ground unless you put your foot on it and are sure the fire is out and no danger can arise from your action before leaving the spot.

Your co-operation will prevent serious forest fires and save not only wildlife but covers and food upon which wildlife must depend.

E. LEE LECOMPTE, State Game Warden.

## Cecil County Chorus Sings At Cambridge

The Cecil County Homemakers Chorus under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Fassitt of Rising Sun, accompanied by Mrs. John S. Wilson of Rising Sun, journeyed to Cambridge by bus, where they were the afternoon guests of the Dorchester County Homemaker's Council on November 5.

Twenty members and four friends will fill the bus. The group is planning to wear for the first time their new chorus costumes of grey blue trimmed with white, for this occasion. Dorchester County is celebrating the 25 years of Extension work of Miss Venia M. Kellar, State leader in that county. Special preparations are being prepared.

## Clayton--Cooling

Mrs. Theodore Rosin, Chesapeake City, announces the marriage on October 25 of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Bouchelle Clayton, to Mr. Gilbert Caton Cooling of Barton, Md., son of the late Zachary T. and Josephine L. Cooling of Chesapeake City. The wedding took place in Trinity Protestant Episcopal church in Elkton, in the presence of members of the immediate families, the Rev. Warren Albinston officiating.

Mrs. Edgar H. Mohr of Wilmington, youngest daughter of the bride, acted as matron of honor for her mother. Mr. Cooling had as his best man, his brother, Mr. Charles W. Cooling of Chesapeake City.

After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Cooling will be at home in Barton where he is principal of the Barton Public schools.

## George--Harmer

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard George have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lucy L. George, to Mr. Benjamin Harmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Harmer of Chesapeake City.

The ceremony took place on Saturday afternoon, October 18, at the Chesapeake City Methodist Church with the Rev. Henry Cabel, pastor of the church, officiating.

Mr. Harmer is a graduate of the Chesapeake City High School and the University of Maryland and is an engineer with the federal government.

## Red Cross First Aid

All those interested in taking Red Cross first aid, men or women, over 16 years of age, will please register at the home of Dr. R. C. Dodson on Nov. 12, 1941, at 8:00 P. M.

## Fireworks Law Declared Valid

### Judge Saylor Rules Petition For Referendum "Obviously" Invalid

Judge J. Abner Saylor, of Baltimore, has ruled that the new bill banning fireworks in the State will not have to be submitted to the voters in the next general election in November, 1942.

Judge Saylor ruled that the petition for a referendum on the new law was "obviously" invalid and issued an injunction restraining election officials from putting the matter on the ballots at the election next year.

The result of the ruling by Judge Saylor is to make immediately operative the State-wide law against the free use of fireworks.

The referendum petition halted the operation of the law last Fourth of July, but as the matter now stands, the law will apply next Independence Day and every Fourth of July thereafter.

Meanwhile, J. Bernard Wells, State's Attorney, announced that perjury indictments against thirteen persons will be pressed immediately.

Evidence shows that a total of 13,195 signatures were filed and of that number 3,460 were improperly filled out. Evidence further shows that, in the case of the 3,460 signatures at the time of the signing the persons did not state whether they were registered voters of one of the counties or of Baltimore City.

It seems manifest that this affidavit did not certify that certain signers were registered voters because it was not so stated in the proper spaces at the time the affidavit was taken.

It was testified that when many of the signatures were taken by solicitors, proper information as to the voting residence of the individuals was not filled in the proper spaces.

He said in many cases this information was filled in by others after the solicitor had sworn in an affidavit that all proper information about the signer had been obtained.

A recent check disclosed that 3,460 signatures were invalidated by the filling in of this information which should have been written in at the time the affidavit was taken. He said that after deduction of this number from the total number of signatures obtained, the 10,000 signatures required by the law had not been obtained.

## Fifty-Eighth Wedding Anniversary Observed

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Keen, of Havre de Grace, celebrated their fifty-eighth wedding anniversary at their home on Sunday.

The couple were married in Wilmington, Del., Nov. 2, 1883, by the Rev. Mr. Barnhill. There are nine children, seventeen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Ross H. Rohrer, of Quarryville, Pa., announce the engagement of their daughter, Edith, to W. Paul Ankrum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Ankrum, of Chestnut Level. The wedding will take place Thanksgiving Day at St. John's United Brethren Church, Paradise.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Benedict Decker, of Elkton, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Marion Decker, to Mr. Thomas Reid Hunt, of Wilmington, Delaware. No date has been set for the wedding.

## Entertained Hytheham Club

Mrs. Donaldson Brown, of Port Deposit, was hostess to the Hytheham Club members on Wednesday afternoon of this week. The lecture recital was on South American Music, by Dr. Lawrence Petran.