The Queen Anne's County Social Register

TEMPLEVILLE

Services for Antioch M. E. Church Jan. 26—Sunday school, 10 a. m.; Epworth League, 7:30 p. m., followed by sermon by the pastor at 8 p. m.

Mr. Allen Pippin was a dinner guest of Temple Stafford Sunday.

Mrs. T. H. Golt has returned home after spending the past two weeks in Pleasantville, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Knotts spent Sunday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Wyatt at Marydel.

Mr. Arthur Sittig attended the State Convention of the Farm Bureau held in Baltimore last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shelton and children spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. James Shelton near Sudlersville.

Mr. and Mrs. Linwood McKnett, of Marcus Hook, spent the week-end with their mother, Mrs. Laura McKnett.

Mrs. Roland Faulkner attended the funeral services of her cousin, Dudley Shultz, which were held in Millington, Friday.

Mrs. Howard West was a Monday visitor in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Crammer, of Pleasantville, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Golt, visited Mr. and Mrs. Tom Golt Sunday.

Mr. Allen Stafford made a business trip to Easton on Tuesday.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. Isabel Cooper is quite sick at this writing.

Mr. Gurney Knotts, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Starkey, Mrs. Oscar Lord, Mrs. Annie Maske and Miss Mary Knotts attended the Fourth Quarterly Conference in Marydel Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Weller and children of Sudlersville, were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shelton.

Miss Mary Kathryn Knotts spent the week-end with her cousin, Anna Wendall Davis at Kenton, Del.

Mr. Allen Pippin was given a party by the Epworth League at his home near town Friday evening, the occasion being his eighteenth birthday. Games and music were enjoyed after which refreshments of cake, punch and bananas were served. He received a large number of pretty gifts. A beautiful birthday cake with 18 pink candles was presented by his aunt, Mrs. Effa Knotts. About thirty members were present.

INGLESIDE

Mr. and Mrs. William Jester, of Ruthsburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Walls on Friday.

Mrs. Rodger Wilson, Miss Nellie Merrick and Miss Margaret Anne Clements, of Milford, visited Mrs. Mailey Davis at Odessa on Friday. Mrs. William R. Wilson returned home wth them after spending a few days with her daughter and son-in-law.

Miss Pauline Conley has returned from the hospital and is improving rapidly.

Mrs. Henry Conley is very sick with pneumonia at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Conley.

Miss Evelyn Cannon visited Miss Kathleen Kimbles on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Dukes and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roe returned Monday after spending a few days in Baltimore.

Miss Martha Bishop has returned home after spending a few days with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dukes.

CHURCH HILL

Miss Ruth Stant who is in Emergency Hospital, recovering from an operation for appendicitis performed last Friday is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thompson Eareckson entertained relatives and friends Saturday at a turkey dinner. All had a most enjoyable time. About thirty-four persons were invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay C. Coppage visited Baltimore last week, and while there attended the meeting and dance of the Farm Bureau.

Mr. Thomas Hurlock and Mr. W. T. Eareckson spent last Tuesday and Wednesday in Baltimore.

Mr. Robert Whaley is quite sick at this writing.

The play given Friday night in the community building by Church Hill High School students was quite a success and much enjoyed by those present. The players sat around a festive board and enjoyed a well-cooked meal, while the poor audience could only sit on the side line, inhaling savory odors, with longing eyes and watering mouths for the delicious things in view which fast disappeared.

BARCLAY

Mrs. John Ware and Mrs. J. L. Wallace were guests last Thursday of Mrs. James Cosden, near Church Hill.

Mrs. Sarah Coursey, who has been ill for the past two months, is considerably improved. Mrs. Wright of Greensboro, is still in attendance.

Master Earl Price was the over-night guest Thursday of Master Leroy Phillips.

Mrs. Leon Ross visited her grandmother, Mrs. Walter Elliott at Goldsboro, last week. Mrs. Elliott has been ill with pneumonia, but is now improving.

BRYANTOWN

Members of Perry's Corner M. E. Church attended a meeting held in Grasonville M. E. Church last Thursday afternoon at which it was announced that the present minister, Rev. R. W. Kirwan, will not be with us for the following year. The community is very sorry to learn this, as Rev. Kirwan was well thought of by everyone, not only members of the church, but people out side as well. He always has a kind word and a smile for every one.

Mrs. Norman Anderson is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. James Hunter, while her sister, Miss Beatrice Hunter is quite sick.

Mrs. George Dorrell, spent Tuesday with Mrs. William Shaney.

Miss Anna Blunt of Perry's Corner, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Blunt, is reported quite ill at this writing.

Mrs. Walter Jewell and children, and Mrs. Price Jewell called on Mrs. George Dorrell Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Ed Lloyd, who has been spending a few days at his home at Public Landing, has left for the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walter Miles at Wye Mills.

BUSIC

Mrs. Janie McGinniss and Mr. John McGinniss and Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGinniss spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Faulkner, near Templeville.

Mr. William Ware and son Samuel were Marydel visitors last Saturday.

Mr. Harry Thompson was a recent guest of Mr. Harvey Thompson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGinniss and Mrs. Janie McGinniss and son John, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Watson Clough at Willow Grove, Del.

The Busic Ladies' Aid was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Pearl Ware near Sudlersville last Thursday evening. About 40 members were present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Annie Hall.

Miss Catherine Thompson has been very ill for several days suffering from tonsilitis.

Mrs. Janie McGinniss and family spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Engrem.

CHESTER

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marvel, of Easton, were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warfield Seward.

Mrs. Emma Foebus, of Baltimore is spending some time with Mrs. Anna Arledge.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Edenfield and daughter Jean, of Baltimore, were week-end guests of Mrs. Anna Thomas.

Mrs. Amos Horney was a guest Tuesday of Miss Edythe Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor spent several days this week with their sons in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sparks, of Love Point, were Tuesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas.

Shirley Thomas was on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Crouse, of Denton, spent several days this week with Mrs. William Sampson.

Mrs. Lillie Tanner visited several days this week with her daughter, Mrs. Clark Jewell at Muirkirk.

Mrs. Edward Severe and son Bunky, were Baltimore visitors this week.

Miss Vernice Seward and Miss Vivian Tolson were visitors at Grasonville, Wednesday.

Mrs. Alton Timms, Mrs. Frank Timms and daughter Minnie were guests of Mrs.. Calvin Timms on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Seward and son Willis, were week-end gests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis near Centreville.

Mrs. Luther Baxter, of Stevensville was a Tuesday guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Nash.

Mr. and Mrs. Apsley Coleman gave a turkey dinner Sunday for the family. Those present were: Mrs. Edwin Pinder and children, Addison and Helen; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Jump and baby, of near Centreville; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coleman and son Clifton, and Mrs. Edna Harris and daughter, Alma.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coursey, of Baltimore were week-end guests of his parents.

Mrs. Thomas Seward was a Baltimore visitor this week.

"Way Down East" Is Stevensville Film"

"Way Down East", a story that has had a never-failing charm for audiences for almost half a century whether on stage or silent films, will be the attraction at the Stevensville Opera House on Friday and Saturday. Rochelle Hudson and Henry Fonda are co-starred in a cast which also includes Slim Summerville, Edward Trevor and Margaret Hamilton.

Incidents In Queen Anne's History

EARLY DAYS IN CENTREVILLE

This account is based chiefly on a brief manuscript history of the incorporation of Centreville prepared by Edwin H. Brown, Jr., and filed in the office of the Town Commissioners.—Editor.

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Centreville came into being because the old courthouse and jail at Queenstown were in need of repair. That was back in 1782. The Revolutionary War was over, although the treaty which formally gave this country independence was not signed for another year.

Queenstown, or Queen's Town, had been the county seat since 1706. With the surrender of Cornwallis the prospect of peace gave impetus to building and improvements on the Eastern Shore.

The old courthouse at Queenstown clamored for attention that had been denied through the troublous years of the war. But the complexion of the county had changed since 1706. The inland was settled. Queenstown seemed a far journey for the residents of Upper Queen Anne's.

So a delegation of prominent countians, believing the time ripe for transferring county activities to a more central location, took action through the General Assembly. This body in 1782 authorized the purchase of four acres of land at or near the head of Corsica Creek, which was to be paid for out of the proceeds from the sale of the old courthouse and prison at Queenstown. On this land thus purchased a new courthouse and prison were to be erected.

For seven years the transfer of the courthouse languished.

The present site of Centreville was then farming country. In what is now the Sandy Bottom area at the southern approach to the town stood the Chester Mill, the forerunner of today's unused Centreville Milling Company plant.

In the vicinity of Long Bridge was the Corsica Warehouse, one of several similar structures erected by Queen Anne's county for the public storage of tobacco which was then a "money" crop in a double sense of the word—houses and churches being erected at a cost of so many pounds of tobacco, and preacher's and other salaries being reckoned in it. Actual tobacco was not paid over but warehouse receipts were "legal tender".

Between Chester Mill and Corsica Warehouse ran a "rolling road," over which hogsheads of tobacco rolling on their sides were drawn by a mule or a group of slaves.

The nearest town was Hibernia, long since vanished, which stood about a mile from Sandy Bottom on the Centreville-Queenstown road. Hibernia grew up around three successive churches built by St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal parish which was established there in 1692.

But Centreville itself was open country, with the land on the top of the hill belonging to the Nicholson family.

On December 25, 1789 (Christmas Day, incidentally) the General Assembly again swung into action. On that day it appointed Richard Tilghman, Samuel Earle, Henry Pratt, Robert Walters and Solomon Clayton as commissioners for erecting a courthouse and a jail.

These were to be built on a tract not exceeding two acres to be laid off on Elizabeth Nicholson's land, on a hill or rising at the outer gate of her farm, adjoining the main road from Chester Mill to Church Hill where the road to Corsica Warehouse intersected it.

Confident that the erection of the county structure would be sufficient incubus for a town the Assembly further added that the land on which they were built should "be held by the said justices (commissioners) and their successors forever as public land . . . and shall ever hereafter be called Center-Ville."

Strict interpretation of the act would mean that the first "Center-Ville" was merely the land comprising the courthouse green and the jailyard.

But this little criticism was remedied five years afterward almost to the day.

On December 26, 1794 the Assembly set the machinery in motion for establishing the town.

In the interim several new dwellings had been erected including, it is thought, the home of Mrs. Alfred Green and the small structure used by Dr. Hampton Brown as an office.

"Sundry inhabitants," says the act of the Assembly, "have by their humble petition . . . set forth that the owners of the land at the new Courthouse have surveyed and laid out a great quantity thereof into acre lots, the greater part of which have already been purchased up and improved and have prayed that said survey of lots may be erected into a town."

Seven commissioners were appointed, Richard Hall, Henry Story, William Hopper, Emory Sudler, Jr., John Wells, Joseph Hopper Nicholson, and Richard Tilghman Earle.

These were instructed to lay out the town with the aid of a surveyor into lots not less than a half-acre and allow for streets, lanes and alleys. These passageways, incidentally, were to be "butted and bounded by good and sufficient cedar or locust posts or stones."

And when this was done the town was to be named Centre-Ville, the first use of the present "tre" spelling.

Interestingy, the cost of the survey was not to exceed 20 pounds current money, indicating that while United States dollars were mined in 1794, the decimal system established by Alexander Hamilton had not yet made their use a current matter.

With the completion and acceptance of this survey, Centre-Ville the town became an actuality. The plat shows that it contained 51 lots, of which 14 were on the southeast side of Commerce Street extending from the Carter and Yates store of today to the present Kidwell Avenue.

The other 37 on the northwest side of Commerce Street and on Liberty ran from the point where they met near the modern electric light plant to include land comprising the residences of J. Fletcher Rolph and Mrs. Sterling Price.

In depth the Centre-Ville extended from today's Banjo Lane to a line paralleling Liberty Street at the end of Water Street.

Lot No. 1 contained the entire block now bounded by Lawyers' Row, Liberty, Commerce and Water Streets. Lot No. 1 South, as it was termed, included Epstein's Store lot and part of the Lowe and Bartlett property.

The numbering of the lots between Commerce and Liberty Street formed a flat ring starting at Number 1 at Lawyer's Row, with 10 at Mr. Rolph's, turning at Mrs. Price's, Number 11, backtracking to the Academy grounds and then returning to the final lot, 37, comprising the block from Hotel Centreville of today down to Captain Harry Butler's Centreville Garage.

Newly formed Centre-Ville contained three streets, Commerce, Liberty and Water with the latter officially running three blocks from Banjo Lane to its present terminus. Actually it was part of the highway from the Ruthsburg territory to the rolling road leading to Corsica Warehouse and the Wharf.

Only four of the commissioners, Wells, Earle, Nicholson and Clayton affixed their signatures to the plat as recorded.

One further act of the General Assembly might be mentioned.

On December 30, 1796,—December seeming to be Centreville's month for growth—the commissioners were directed to provide for a market house for Centre-Ville. This was to be established on a "proper and convenient spot" on the public ground behind the courthouse.

Wednesdays and Saturdays, in accordance with the prevalent customs in the nation, were set aside as market days.

With this legal layout Centreville took its place as a town and as the county seat of Queen Anne's.

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