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THE WORLD WE LIVE IN

Almost a Gold Mine

New York—Uncle Sam is likely to add athird of a million dollars to his checking account as the result of a raid on a New York bank where 10,000 gold $20 pieces now worth about $35 each were found in a vault rented by a Swiss named Josephowitz. Federal sleuths have been on the trail of the gold for some time.

Supreme Court Backs TVA

Washington—The Supreme Court was back in good standing with Adminstration leaders following the sweeping 8 to 1 decision by which the Tennessee Valley Authority was upheld and the power of Federal government to build Wilson Dam and buy transmission lines to sell surplus current was sustained. Beyond these points the Court was silent. Congress is now making plans to sell electricity from other dams.

Cold Tale

Pittsburgh—Wondering why a dog did not jump from a cake of floating ice and swim ashore watchers snaked the cake to land and got the answer. The dog's tail was frozen to the ice. Otherwise he was all right.

Profitless Prosperity

New York—Delegates of the National Paper Trade Association met to figure out why their profits are going down when their business has gone up 10%. They labeled the situation "profitless prosperity." The usual solution was advanced: Boost prices.

Winter Olympics End

Garmisch,Germany — The United States came out of the winter Olympics with a single championship in the two-man bobsleds and fifth place in unofficial ratings. Norway was the big winner as the Olympic flag was hauled down, the Olympic torch extinguished and the games concluded. While Hitler took his time departing 130,000 were locked in the Stadium to be sure he got out in comfort.

Some Brass in the Frame

Berlin—Chancellor Adolph Hitler has his idea of the kind of prize athletes cherish. To every Olympic winner he added his personal reward—a silver framed photograph of Adolph Hitler.

Oology His Hobby

Cambridge, Mass. — Dick Harlow, former football coach at Western Maryland, becomes the first head coach of football teams to gain admission to the university faculty. Harlow was made custodian of birds' eggs and nests in comparative zoology with the title of associate in oology.

Maxim Silenced

La Junta, Col.—Hiram P. Maxim, inventor of the maxim silencer for guns and last of the Maxim family of inventors, died of throat trouble.

Misses Electrocution

New York—When a police dog fell on the dangerous third rail at the Rockaway subway two patrolmen donned rubber gloves, lifted the dog from the live electric rail and got him back in working order with an inhalator.

Tightening Screws

Moscow—Soviet industry has begun elimination of hundreds of thousands of slow and ineffcient workers at the same time planning to speed producton. Bricklayers were ordered to lay 15% more bricks, carpenters turn out 35% more woodwork and pick and shovel men to dig 10% faster.

Porch Deer

Monticello, N. Y.—Deep snow and hunger has tamed two wild deer. They answer the whistle ofMrs. Amelia T. Leininger who feeds them and the animals sleep on her front porch at night.

Bug Specialist

New York—It was a good racket until one victim squawked. Now John Barlow, barber, is awaiting trial for putting a dead head louse in the hair of customers and selling them $4.50 scalp treatments.

Low Paid Schoolma'ms

Quebec—Teachers in the Province of Quebec are in line for a big boost in their present small pay following recommendations to the provincial government that $300 a year be the minimum. Teachers in the rural districts now receive $100 to $125 a year out of which they must pay for board, lodging, clothes and all else.

Orders is Orders

San Franciso—A little matter like rain did not keep Albert Elliott, driver of a sprinkling cart from continuing his task of wetting down the streets. When a city official tipped off by wondering citizens demanded an explanation Elliott asked why he should turn in and lose a day's pay, "Is it my fault it's raining?"

Some Will Flunk

Trenton—Education is beginning to catch up with the times. Beginning next September New Jersey's high school students will receive a course in safe automobile driving under the direction of the State Board of Education.

Home Work Vetoed

London—Parliament must remember its school days. While considering a bill to extend school age to 15 years it also passed a resolution declaring undesirable the practice of asigning home work for evenings to the exclusion of rest and recreation.

Residents Of Wye Neck Urge Road Project

Delegation Meets With County Commissioners. Will Jump WPA, State

The Wye Neck district again sent a delegation before the Board of County Commissioners on Tuesday in the hope of gaining improvements to the road which serves their section.

At the end of a two-hour discussion the group asked for and were granted the privilege of naming their own committee to press the matter with Maryland WPA headquarters or the State Roads Commission with the endorsement of the County Commissioners.

The Board told the delegation that no stone had been left unturned in urging work on the proposed Farm-to-Market roads program for this county but that little if any success had rewarded their efforts.

The delegation chose C. T. Bishop, Walter C. Lee, Merton Shawn, James B. Carter, and Oliver C. Jones as a committee to proceed further with Federal and State officials.

Other members of the group that met with the Commissioners were Elwood Strong, Herbert Carter, James H. Carter, John Whaley, and Gordon Shawn.

A delegation from Wye Neck had previously met with the Board last October urging action before the onset of bad weather. At that time the relief rolls of the county contained only a handful of employables, and the most of these were later assigned to the Centreville Grammar School and Negro High School projects.

At that time there were 24 employables on the list. Since then, believed particularly due to the continued cold weather and lessened opportunities for work, the list has increased to 65. Whether all these could be immediately certified for WPA projects was not determined.

Wednesday the delegation's committee was endeavoring to reach District WPA Engineer Elliott as the first step in urging action on the road.

Convent Life Portrayal Of Little Theatre

"Cradle Song" To Be Seen Here Thursday And Friday

Unwinding a simple story of the cloistered atmosphere of convent life the Queen Anne's Players will offer their most ambitious venture in the dramatic realm when they present the "Cradle Song", the vehicle in which Eva Le Galliene starred for several seasons, at the Little Theatre tonight, Thursday, and tomorrow evening, Friday at 8:30 o'clock.

The "Cradle Song" ranks with "The Miracle" and other powerful plays in its deep religious tone, its gentle unfolding of a simple theme and its faithful portrayal of human emotions. Based on the instinct of mother love lying dormant in the hearts of nuns the play recounts in two acts how a foundling on the doorstep is accepted by the nuns for rearing and how eventually the child, grown to a young woman, is released from the convent to marry. Between the two acts there is an interval of eighteen years.

The male parts in the drama are portrayed by Harry O. Booker as the doctor, and F. Dudley Benton as Antonio. Except for Lorraine Doehler, who essays the role of the foundling, Teresa, the feminine portion of the cast depicts nuns, the players being Mrs. Edna M. Harris, Sara Spencer Roe, Eleanor Dudley, Margaret Wiggins, Lilly B. Rochester, Marion Brown, Dolly Price, Lucille Lutz and Helen Phillips.

The stage setting is a convent with stained windows designed and executed by Charles West. The settings were assembled by Mrs. Harris and William Riggs. Nuns' costumes were designed by Mrs. Charles E. Tucker and made with the assistance of her committee.

Richard Pitkin has charge of the lighting; Mrs. A. A. M. Dewing and her committee of assembling properties; Miss Lilly Rocehster, tickets; and Miss Sara Spencer Roe, publicity. The prompter at the performances is to be Miss Elizabeth Straughn.

Shore Society To Take Part In Two Events

The Eastern Shore Society of Baltimore City will hold an Oyster Roast for its members in that city on February 22 from 12:30 to 6 p. m. The event is scheduled for Lithuanian Hall at 851 Hollins Street.

Members of the Society have also been invited to the Washington College Alumni dance to take place at the Emerson Hotel on February 29.

Mr. William J. McFeely, vice president for the Queen Anne's section of the Society, is a member of the arrangements committee.

FOXX SAILS FOR MIAMI

James Emory Foxx, former A's slugger and now a member of the Boston Red Sox cast, sailed last Thursday for Miami, Fla. Jimmy will spend three weeks as an instructor at the big-league baseball school in Miami. He is scheduled to report at the Red Sox training camp at Sarasota on March 7.

TUTTLE FALLS, BREAKS ARM

Mr. W. I. Tuttle, Cashier of the Queenstown Bank, sustained a broken left arm near the shoulder when he slipped on the icy streets last Friday. He went to Easton Emergency Hospital for treatment.

Short Delinquent List Published, 95% Pay

The shortest all-inclusive delinquent list that has come out of the courthouse in a number of years appears on page 5 of this week's Record. Treasurer J. William Keith said Wednesday that county, state and school taxes for 1935 are approximately 95% collected.

The list will be published this week and next. Mr. Keith has anounced that the names of all on the list who pay between now and the next Tuesday evening, February 25, will be withdrawn.

Federal Funds Match Old Age Through March

Deficiency Bill Helps. Relief Needs Precarious As Demands Increase

With the signing by President Roosevelt of the Deficiency Bill carrying $42,000,000 appropriation for the social security act the Welfare Board in Queen Anne's and other counties of the state will have available exactly twice as much money for Old Age pensions for January, February and March as their part of the $168,000 already allotted to Maryland for pension purposes by the Federal Social Security Board.

In addition $92,400 has been allotted to Maryland for aid to dependent children which hitherto had been cared for out of general relief funds. These cases in Queen Anne5s county are now being ear-marked for the first quarter of 1936 to make possible reutrn of a third of the amount from Federal funds.

No intimation has come from the Welfare Board as yet as to what effect the additional funds will have on the pension situation in Queen Anne's county but it is not expected to increase any pensions thus far granted. The list at present awaiting investigation is lengthy enough to eat up any surplus.

Under the terms of the social security act the $10,000 appropriated by Queen Anne's county to which $20,000 was added by the state will be further swelled by a $30,000 contribution from the Federal government matching state and county appropriations.

The relief situation in the county becoming precarious as demands continue heavy and money approaches the vanishing point. While endeavoring to take care of extreme cases the Welfare Board under the leadership of Chairman Charles I. Boyles plans to stretch their remaining funds as far as possible. No money will be spent that has not been allotted.

In the last few weeks about 70 people have ben certified with the National Reemployment Service for WPA work. As fast as work becomes available some of these will be assigned and removed from the burden of the Welfare Office.

Sudlersville Exam Friday

Postmaster Test To Be Held In Centreville

A Civil Service examination for the full-time appointment of a Postmaster at Sudlersville will be held tomorrow, Friday morning at 9 o'clock in the Centreville High School building, it has been announced by Examiner T. Edmund Dewing.

According to advices from Washington there are twenty applicants for the office which pays $1500 per annum.

Mrs. M. Grace Rambo was appointed as acting postmistress two weeks ago and took over the office at that time succeeding G. Walter Stevens. Mrs. Rambo will be among those taking the examination.

Among others known to have filed applications are L. Homer Benton, Mrs. George Hart, N. A. Johnson, Harrington Knotts, Mrs. Harrington Knotts, James T. Knotts, William Roberts, Scott Starkey, and Miss Mildred Wallace. The latter was assistant under Mr. Stevens.

Selection, according to Civil Service regulations, will be made from the three highest eligibles determined by the examination.

Legionnaires Hear Sermon On Washington's Birthday

Marking the 204th anniversary of Washington's Birthday the Rev. Walter C. Eastburn, rector of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal Church of Church Hill, presented a superb portrayal of the social and religious characteristics of Washington in a special sermon at the morning service Sunday to a congregation including delegations from Jeff Davis Post of the American Legion and the Patriotic Order of the Sons of America.

Jeff Davis Post, of which Mr. Eastburn is chaplain, was represented by Dr. E. W. Sterling, A. Sydney Gadd, Jr., Ray Tabler, F. Bennett Carter, J. Wilbur Walls, W. Rodgers Wilson, John Dhu, J. Hall Barton, Earl E. Coursey, B. C. Thomas, Merton R. Shawn, Francis E. Thomas, T. Rigby Valliant, Robert R. Price, J. W. Eckstorm and W. T. Grimes.

CHURCH HILL GIRL INJURED

Miss Mabel Hall, a student at Beacom College, Wilmington spent the week-end with her parents at Church Hill. During her visit she slipped and fell, injuring her foot which compelled her to remain at home.

Scouts' Drive For Funds Gets Keen Response

Strong Start Made Toward Local Troop's Quota Of $200

Pulling off what is called in football circles a delayed line buck the joint committee from the Centreville Rotary Club, Jeff Davis Post and the Queenstown Lions backing up the Boy Scouts waited a week for unfavorable weather to e ase out and then staged a snappy drive to raise Queen Anne's quota of funds for the overhead expenses of Scouting activities this year.

The goal has been set at $200.

The committee under the leadership of Franklin D. Day, finance chairman for the county, laid their plans at a meeting in the Courthouse Friday evening and then dug in. Favorable response from residents brought the bulk of the amount desired in by Tuesday night.

The committee members include Charles A. Chance and James Gibson from the Lions; Earle E. Coursey, B. C. Thomas and Oliver C. Jones from the Legion; and Dr. James A. McCallum, A. Temple Blackwood, Charles Chew Mickle, Jr., and Dr. Norman P. Chanaud from Rotary.

The lists of contributors includes F. Asbury Bartlett, Earle R. Bishop, Allan B. Lane, William R. Horney, Dr. James A. McCallum, Dr. James W. Crowl, Milton W. Seney, Dr. Norman P. Chanaud, Spencer C. Hammond, E. O. Willis, J. R. E. Turpin, Charles S. Quimby, William E. Grose.

Robert T. Newell, Howard W. Ryland, George H. Ryland, Robert W. Thomas, Miss Isabel Bewick, Kenneth W. Baker, Harry C. Butler, Milton B. Slemmer, W. Ray Tabler, Centreville National Bank, Mrs. Helena S. Raskob, Spencer Wright, Franklin D. Day.

G. Myron Latshaw, T. Curtis Seward, W. Layton Holton, Bertha G. Durney, E. S. Valliant, H. B. Towers, Henry T. Deaver, L. Herman Meredith, John Palmer Smith, J. O. Pippin, O. K. Nelson, J. Elmer Anthony, Howard E. Price, T. E. Dewing, W. T. Harris.

Harry W. Chambers, W. Edward Barton, A. A. M. Dewing, Alfred M. Green, Dr. Franklin S. Wharton, Clifton Burke, T. Rigby Valliant, Samuel Epstein & Son, John E. Mears, Charles C. Mickle, Jr., Mrs. James P. Keating.

Clarence E. Woodward, Virgil Freeney, Ernest W. Grubb, E. S. Adkins & Company, Paul R. Weldie, S. Reece Hatchitt, J. William Keith, Paul Morris, Sterling G. Harris, Z. R. Collins, Oliver C. Jones.

Queenstown—B. H. Lane, T. Harris Smith; Sudlersville—Joseph M. George; Price—Frank Brower; Church Hill—Dr. E. W. Sterling, J. B. T. Merrick; Ingleside—Senator W. R. Wilson; Grasonville—Charles A. Chance, Earl E. Coursey; Chester—B. C. Thomas, P. E. Thomas, J. Calvert Jones; Stevensville—William E. Denny, Jr., W. T. Grimes, J. W. Eckstorm.

Queenstown — Thomas Marsalis, George M. Moffett, Samuel E. W. Friel, Joseph Ginsburg and Norman Hitch. Queen Anne—Henry Morgan.

Sons Of Legion Elect Leaders

Jack Smith Heads First Squadron On Shore

Jack Smith, 13-year-old son of John Palmer Smith, of Centreville, was chosen captain of the Jeff Davis Squadron of the Sons of the American Legion at the first organization meeting of the group at the Centreville Armory Thursday evening. Twenty of the youthful charter members were present.

Other officers elected were W. R. Wilson, 3d, Ingleside, first lieutenant; Alton Pierson, Grasonville, second lieutenant; Ridgaway Perkins, adjutant; Jimmy Jones finance officer; Danny Tabler, chaplain; Dickie Day, sergeant-at-arms; and Jimmie Pippin, historian.

The boys comprising the first staff of the first squadron to be formed on the Eastern Shore are to be installed at a public meeting possibly in March.

Earl Poorbaugh of Baltimore, State Commander of the Sons of the Legion, will be invited to attend the function, present the charter to the new squadron and install the officers. He will be assisted by Ray Tabler, District Vice-Commander for the Eastern Shore.

The meeting at the Armory was guided by J. Hall Barton, Franklin D. Day and W. Rodgers Wilson, the committee named by Jeff Davis post to supervise the new group. Mr. Barton explained the aims and purposes of the organization and displayed a sample of the cap and arm bands which will be presented to the boys by Jeff Davis post.

Fire Destroys Small Dwelling At Queenstown

Fire that is believed to have originated from an overheated stove destroyed a meat house that had been converted into a dwelling at "Wheatlands", estate of Mr. Leslie R. Cooper near Queenstown last Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Queenstown Fire Department was called to the blaze but the fire had gained too much headway to avert destruction. The firemen protected the Cooper home which stands nearby.

The converted dwelling was occupied by colored help.

COUNTY STUDENTS PLEDGE

John Pershing Blevins ,of Centreville, has pledged Phi Sigma Tau, and John R. Stack ,of Crumpton, has gone Theta Kappa Nu at Washington College, it was learned last week when the fraternity affiliations of the Freshmen Class were announced.

J. Millard Tawes of Somerset May File Against Goldsborough

Lower Shoreman Says He Is "Considering It"; Milbourne Wanes

J. Millard Tawes, Clerk of the Court in Somerset County, may file for the Democratic Congressional nomination in the First District for the seat now held by Representative T. Alan Goldsborough, he disclosed in an interview last Saturday.

As long ago as last fall Mr. Tawes began to sound out sentiment on the Eastern Shore and is known to have conferred with political leaders in Queen Anne's at that time.

He was quoted as "considering" making the race. "Mr. Goldsborough has been representing the Shore for the past fifteen years and a lot of us think there ought to be a change", he said.

"I haven't had much time in the last few weeks to give the matter so much attention because I"ve been tied up with this Smith and Tangier Island situation. But I'm going to do something about it shortly." he continued.

Political observers on the Shore are of the opinion that Mr. Tawes' expressed intention of making the race if support justifies his entry will serve as a lid-lifter in the forthcoming campaign. These sources argue that once an avowed candidate takes the plunge against the hitherto invincible Mr. Goldsborough others will bring their desires for the office into the open and begin tours of the nine counties.

A boom started in Cecil County several weeks ago for former State Senator Lewis M. Milbourne of Somerset County apparently fizzled long before it reached the banks of the Choptank. The press in his home county as well as in other lower Shore counties has failed to make the welkin ring. Whether it is too early to take a stand or Mr. Milbourne lacks serious support are matters for the future to determine.

J. MILLARD TAWES

Senator Milton L. Veasey, of Worcester, purportedly has eyes on a seat in Congress but political dopesters say he will wait after the Special Session of the Legislature to make a decision.

H. Burdette Messenger, of Caroline, has filed for the Republican nomination. He is conceded no chance against Mr. Goldsborough in a clear-cut race in the general election.

Mr. Tawes was elected Clerk of the Court in Somerset by a majority of more than 1700 over his Republican opponent. In the same race State Senator Harry T. Phoebus, Republican, won by more than a 2,500-vote margin.

Measles Run Riot In County, Hurt Schools

"Germans" Move In From Kent, "French" From South

After successfully dodging for weeks the epidemics of red, or French, and German measles which have been running rampant through Eastern Shore counties, Queen Anne's from end to end is now in the grip of a wave of measles which is shooting holes into school attendance records and exposing almost every susceptible child to the disease.

Centreville, Queen Anne, Sudlersville, Stevensville and places between report outbreaks of more serious red measles which are believed to have crept in from the lower Shore. In Church Hill and the northern portion of the county the lighter German measles have moved in from Kent.

The grades, especially the first, are hard hit by the disease. A combination of measles, mumps and bad weather brought the first grade attendance at Centreville Elementary School down to seven on Tuesday morning.

At present susceptible children who have measles in their homes are barred from school for the 14-day incubation period. County Superintendent of Schools Franklin D. Day is hesitant about throwing down to bars to admission of susceptible children to school until he is certain that all have been exposed. In Wicomico county the epidemic reached such proportions that it was believed all susceptible children were exposed and children not sick were allowed to reutrn to their classrooms.

Mumps are still prevalent in the county. The seventh grade at Centreville Elementary has been hard hit but children in other grades and adults have also been sufferers.

Except for Mrs. Lola P. Brown, attendance officer, Miss Ruth Stant of Sudlersville and her substitute, Miss Elizabeth Anthony, all of whom are ill the teaching force of the county had no absentees on Wednesday.

Mary's Delight On Wye Is Sold

Retired Pennsylvania Coal Operator New Owner

"Mary's Delight", a 200-acre farm on Wye River, has been sold to Mr. Tilford Lewis, retired coal operator of Johnstown, Pa., it was announced this week by the Eastern Shore Estates Company of Centreville.

The tract is across the river from "Stagwell", the estate of Mr. Walter C. Lee, and north of the farm of Mr. T. Harris Smith. Prior to its sale the property was owned by Mrs. Roberta S. Delahay and istenanted by James Hunter.

There is eight-room Colonial house on farm and it is understood that the new owner will build an addition to the home retaining the present arhitectural lines. Mr. Lewis plans tom make his permanent home on the farm.

He was a visitor in Centreville early this week and it was learned that improvements to the property will begin as soon as weather conditions permit.

FOUR HEAD FOR FLORIDA

Messrs. Harry Barton, John Cole, Ralph Baker and Albert Haspert, all of Queenstown and Grasonville, left last Saturday on a motor trip to Florida. Miami is one of the points of interest they will visit.

40 Additional Members Join With Firemen

Good Will Unit To Put On Strong Finish In Drive

Approximately forty additional names were added to the list of honorary members in the Good Will Fire Company bringing up to 122 the total enrollment in the annual February drive.

The campaign is continuing steadily with comforting evidence of strong public support. In the remaining ten days Chief F. Asbury Bartlett is desirous of putting on a strong finish and enrolling every possible member who should feel interested in keeping the company up to its present high level of efficiency.

Funds from the membership dues are used to replace old and worn out equipment or to increase the supply available for emergencies. The necessity of keeping a sufficient amount of hose in first class condition is important especially for fires at a distance from sources of water. Where a weak stretch of hose is used in a line there is always the danger of its bursting under pressure.

The additions to honorary membership up to late Wednesday afternoon are:

Centreville — A Temple Blackwood Mrs. M. F. Simpson, A. & P. Stores, E. P .Meredith, L. Gafford, Miss Nannie P. Keating, William H. Goodhand, Miss Elizabeth Dyott, Mrs. Paul R. Weldie, Paul R. Weldie, Mrs. George A. Whitely, W. T. Harris, Miss Nellie Rothwell.

Mrs. Alice Wilmer, Connolly Gannon, Annie Forrester, Mrs. L. Herman Meredith, F. Bennett Carter, Raymond Richardson, Robert W. Thomas, Claude Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. J. Elmer Anthony, Robinson Brothers, Mrs. E. Bohland, Roe Leaverton.

A. L. Morris, Mrs. T. R. L. Price, Miss Bessie Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Trundle, Howard Wood, Jr., Vivian L. Lake, Miss Bertha France.

Stevensville—John A. Rhodes; Baltimore—Mrs. Lena Covington; Annapolis—Mrs. Julia Feddeman; Wye Mills—W. H. Blakeslee; Queen Anne—Charles I. Boyle; New York City—Owen B. Winters.

H. C. Byrd To Address Rotary And Lions

H. C. "Curley" Byrd, acting president of the University of Maryland, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Centreville Rotary Club in St. Paul's Parish House tonight, Thursday, at 6:30 o'clock with the Queenstown Lions also guests of the Rotary.

Musical selections will be furnished by a male quartet composed of Norville Rodney, Rev. L. Colvin Randall, J. Hall Barton and Roy H. Wilson.

Ernest W. Grubb and Kenneth W. Baker comprise the Rotary committee in charge of the event. Dinner will be served by the Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's Church.

Anti-Sales Tax Meet Scheduled Here Feb. 27

Merchants and others interested in the repeal of the 1% gross sales tax are urged to attend a county-wide meeting in the Courthouse next Wednesday evening, February 27, at 8 o'clock under the sponsorship of the Eastern Shore Anti-Sales Tax Association.

Plans for the meeting are being arranged by A. A. M. Dewing, Queen Anne's representative on the Association's Board of Governors. It is expectde that a delegation will be named to carry word of oppositon to the special session at Anapolis in March.

Oystermen Get Work When Ice Breaker Comes

Representative Joe Evans Calls Conservation Boat To Kent Narrows

Watermen in the vicinity of Kent Narrows earned their first money in three weeks on Saturday and Monday after the inspection boat Eastern Bay in charge of Captain James Ruth of Grasonville broke a channel through the thinner ice in the Narrows, freed boats and gave tongers a chance to get into the oyster beds.

Approximately 130 men took advantage of the open water. During the two days 4500 bushels of the bivalves were bought by packers at prices averaging 40c with a few men getting 45c for their catch. It was estimated that about $1900 was paid to the watermen by Monday afternoon.

Since the water froze over about January 22 the oyster business has been practically at a standstill. Watermen were thrown out of work, packers were not operating and shuckers were idle with the plants closed. The inspection boat was frozen in where it was tied up at the Narrows wharf and oyster boats were icelocked in the channel.

Last Wednesday Representative Joseph W. A. Evans phoned Judge Robert F. Duer, Chairman of the State Conservation Commission, in Baltimore to request that an attempt be made to open the Narrows channel. Mr. Evans who is conversant with conditions pointed out that the strong current through the Narrows prevented the ice from being as thick as elsewhere in Eastern Bay. He urged that the inspection boat lying idle at the wharf be sent into the channel.

Judge Duer sent orders through at once but unfavorable weather prevented the attempt until Saturday. Closest cooperation was given by the Conservation department and Captain Ruth until open water was developed.

Elsewhere on Kent Island watermen were idle except in the neighborhood of Old Point where Jones' Hole remained open.

Switch Made In Queen Anne's Census Takers

Draper, Wood and Jacquette Get Posts As Enumerators Here

Howard Z. Jacquette ,of Sudlersville, and Frank W. Draper and A. Fred Wood, of Centreville, have been appointed enumerators for the forthcoming census of business in Queen Anne's County, according to announcement of Daniel W. Davis, Supervisor for this area.

The D emocratic State Central Committee on January 20 recommended J. C. Norris, Stevensville, J. Griffin Embert, Queenstown, and Mrs. Mary Strong Massey of the Second District for the posts, but it was later claimed that the Committee had no voice in the selections, authority resting with the National Reemployment Service of which E. O. Willis is Manager.

Headquarters for the Census Bureau on the Eastern Shore are in Denton. The office staff for the survey in addition to Supervisor Davis includes I. Fulton Catlin, Salisbury, Assistant Supervisor; Mary P. Joyner, Denton, Secretary; and Emily G. Swiss, Denton, Clerk.

County enumerators, of which there are forty on the Shore, are to present the Census forms to business houses and help them to fill out the necessary information.

Mr. Davis stresses the fact that information given enumerators will be held in strict confidence. All enumerators and other persons connected with the survey work are under a drastic oath not to disclose or discuss any information submitted for Censtus purposes.

Lawyers Busy, Lull Comes In Courthouse Strife

Counsel for Ex-Treasurer Anna Q. Skinner and attorneys for the Board of County Commissioners were engaged this week in drawing up legal documents for the next joust in Court in connection with the petition for a writ of mandamus sought by the former.

Judge Thomas J. Keating set ten days from February 11th for the filing of such papers and this period expires tomorrow, Friday.

Neither side had taken additional steps, according to a check-up at the Clerk of the Court's office late Wednesday afternoon.

Abner *says*—

The back o' winter's broke. I seen Senator Legg in his straw hat and claw hammer coat tidyin' up his office.