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THE WORLD WE LIVE IN

George VI Ascends Throne

London—A week of breath-taking change has found Edward VIII abdicating the throne, his brother proclaimed King Georage VI and the British Empire collecting its wits to get adjusted to the sudden royal transformation. Meanwhile Edward, now the Duke of Windsor, seeks privacy in the Austrian Tyrol until the day he is free to marry Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, the woman for whom he chucked the greatest throne on earth.

City Building

Shanghai—China is going modern. Picturesque grass huts typical of poorer Chinese homes for centuries, have been outlawed in the international settlement as too close to the soil. No more may be built; those up must come down.

Slowly Shoving Off

Dublin, Ire.—Following the passage of a bill accepting George VI but eliminating both the regally appointed Governor-General and the use of the King's name in internal affairs, President Eamon De Valera sees Ireland virtually a republic, says the King is only a vague title in the international constitution of the Irish Free State.

Took A Finesse

Wabash, Ind.—Police investigating a suspicious character who seemed to be prowling around a house discovered him to be a mere husband. His wife was throwing a bridge party and friend husband was ducking until the girls were gone.

Just To Remember

Indianapolis—Two men here have mementoes of the election. Max Townsend, son of the governor-to-be, gets auto tags numbered 908,494, the total vote given his father, while Richard Heller, campaign manager for the governor, spoke for tags numbered 180,-968, the governor's winning vote margin.

Busy Place

Luxembourg—Almost every one is at work in this principality surrounded by Belgium, France and Germany. The state has only ten jobless persons listed, pays them a total of $45 a week.

Long Life Span

Wellsburg, W. Va.—Applying for an old age pension Edythe Cooper, Negro, gave her age as 120, says she was born at Macon, Ga., on January 18, 1816. On the figures she is the oldest person in West Virginia and possibly in the country.

Kin Won't See Them

Portland, Ore.—Aiming to keep kinfolk from seeing their Christmas presents early Mrs. H. J. Jones hid the articles under a church porch. Her idea was too good. The gifts were stolen.

The Stuff Of Heroism

St. John, New Brunswick—When the Norwegian steamer King's County, off her course piled up on a rocky reef, seaman Harold Hansen, 26, wrapped a rope around his waist, swam ashore through icy waters, rigged up a breeches' buoy and saved the entire crew of thirty-six.

Should Brush Car Seat

New York—A watch dog that fell down on the job of biting a thief nevertheless caused his arrest. Robert Singara, arrested for stealing liquor from a tavern after kidnaping the dog, was betrayed by dog hairs on the upholstery of his car's back seat.

Jail Cure

Goshen, N. Y.—Walter Gorton, reputed to be a forger, will undoubtedly come out of jail cured of this criminal propensity. A cow in the prison barn jammed Gorton against a wall, injured his arm, ruined it for penmanship.

A Bargain. Perhaps

Washington—Uncle Sam knows when to unload. The Federal government is asking bids for the sale of Cedar Island, Maine, bought in 1838 when it was three acres in size. All but one acre has washed into the ocean. A government spokesman says it would make a good fishing station, fair to middling site for a summer home, has a good view—what's left of it.

Followed Example

Lake Mohawk, N. J.—When a doe crossing the ice on the upper lake broke through and had to swim for shore her two fawns played follow the leader, jumped in after her. All three landed safely.

Clothes Don't Make Boy

Montrose, Cal.—A required physical examination disclosed that Joe Coberly, high school pupil working a way through school, was a girl in disguise. Joe, who wanted to be a boy, hated girl's clothing, was president of a boys' Sunday School class, was dropped from the school rolls.

One Rubber Stamp

Albany, N. Y.—The only official cost of King Edward's abdication in this city is a new rubber stamp bearing the name of George VI for use on naturalization papers by Supreme Court Clerk Walter Doyle. The cost: 85c.

Bathless John

Beaver, Pa.—Judge Henry Wilson doesn't hold it against a man that he has not taken a bath in fifteen years. In spite of Mrs. John Fields' testimony that her husband has been a non-bather for a decade and a half, the Judge gave Mr. Fields custody of the two children involved, said it might make the father take a bath.

Plays, Carols To Mark Session Of PTA Friday

Christmas Features To Mark Monthly Meeting At Local School

A Christmas program will be a feature of the regular monthly meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association which will be held tomorrow, Friday night at the Centreville Grammar School.

Mrs. A. Sydney Gadd, Jr., president of the association will preside and three short plays by the children of the school and the singing of Christmas carols will add to the attractiveness of the evening's entertainment. The plays will be "Christmas Radio Station," "Waiting for the Bells," and "The Birthday of the King."

The cast of "A Christmas Radio Station" will be: Announcer, Jeanne Valliant; Song, "Up on the House Top"; "Greeting," Nellie Blunt; "A Hundred Years Ago,' Betty Jean Jester; "What Did We Get For Christmas", Daniel Everett, Charlotte Mears, Teddy Randall, Ruth Roe and Frances Carter.

Piano Solo, "Holy Night," Elizabeth Jones; "Leaving Christmas Gifts," Alice Meredith, Bobby Carter, Anne Draper, Jimmy Barton, Doris Mae Barney, Charles Anthony, Anne Comegys, Shirley Gunther, Eugene Butler, Eddi Smith and Marion Morris; "Christmas Stars", Anne Gadd; "Something Wrong," David Green.

The cast of "Waiting for the Bells" will be: Grandmother, Dolly Voshell; Mother, Polly Watson; Children, Frances Anthony, Billy Downes, Ruth Anne Barney, Claude Anthony.

Song, "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear."

The play "The Birthday of the King" will have the following cast: Introduction, Dicky Day; Piano Prelude, Mrs. Milton Wolcott; Song, "There's A Song In the Air," Hidden Choir; Reader, Jean Richardson; Song, "While Shepherd's Watched," Hidden Choir; "Pantomine of the Shepherds presenting Gifts to the Christ Child," Bobby Wolcott, Billy Blakeney, John Watson, Jack Dadds.

Song, "The Three Wise Men Presenting Gifts", John Valliant, Alden Sparks and Jimmy Pippin. Solo, "What Can I Give Him," Betsy Anne Denny; Solo, "Help Somebody Today," Christmas Angel, Evelyn Voshell. Quartette, "Within A Lowly Manger," Jane Baker Downes. Ellen Carter, Edna Coleman, Linda Patchett.

Carols: Centreville School pupils and the association.

A Christmas party will be held for the Grammar School Children December 23rd at the school under the auspices of the Parent-Teachers.

Mrs. A. T. Blackwood Heads Garden Club

Officers For 1937 Chosen At Meeting Monday

At a meeting of the Queen Anne's Garden Club held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. C. Blevins, on Chesterfield Avenue, officers for 1937 were elected.

Mrs. A. Temple Blackwood was elected President; Mrs. Luther L. Gadd, Vice-President; Mrs. Sterling G. Harris, Treasurer; and Miss Frances Sherman, Secretary. Mrs. Walter C. Eastburn, of Church Hill, was elected Assistant Secretary.

The feature of the meeting was the exhibition of Christmas Wreaths made by the members. Mrs. J. R. E. Turpin placed first, Mrs. C. P. Carter, second, and Mrs. Howard Wood, third.

Rittenhouse-Bishop Nuptials December 25th

Mr. and Mrs. C. Tilghman Bishop, of "Wyoming-on- Wye" have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Ethel Mildred Bishop and Mr. Harry Hynson Ritenhouse.

The marriage will take place Christmas morning at 10 o'clock at Carmichael M. P. Church.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, and is a graduate of Centreville High School and Maryland State Normal School, at Towson and Western Maryland College. She has been a teacher at the Grasonville Elementary School for several years.

Mr. Rittenhouse is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Rittenhouse and is one of the county's best known and prosperous young farmers.

County Dispensary Will Open Friday

The County dispensary is to open Friday morning at 8 o'clock, according to word from Spencer C. Hammond, Chairman of the Queen Anne's County Liquor Control Board.

All stock is on hand and clerks started putting it on the shelves Wednesday night. Equipment is also in place.

Miss Lucille Lutz has been added to the staff of the dispensary as bookkeeper and stenographer.

LADIES TREAT PASTOR

The Ladies' Aid of the Ruthsburg M. P. Church Met on Thursday with a very good attendance. After the business meeting the guests were invited into the kitchen where they had a family reunion with the pastor, Rev. Colvin Randall, seated at the head of the table. Maryland biscuit, ham, cake, coffee and refreshments were served in abundance.

Queenstown In Sight Of Quota

Firemen Add 28 Honoraries During Week

Stepping along fast during the third week of their campaign for honorary members for 1937, the Queenstown Volunteer Fire Company added twenty-eight members to the roster, bringing the total thus far enrolled up to 114. The company is now within striking distance of the original quota set at 150, with only thirty-six more names to be secured.

With the added momentum from passing the hundred mark J. R. Friel, president of the company, feels confident that the quota will be reached.

The honorary members enrolled during the week include:

Queenstown—James F. Boyles, Moe Messing, Howard Melvin, Elizabeth H. Carter, Albert Haspert.

Grasonville—Raymond Horney, M. C. Sherman, Joseph Jury, John Gardner, Willar Jones, Samuel Collier, Oscar Drummer, Carroll Pierson.

Centreville—William T. Bishop, C. S. Thomes. Stevensville—C. A. Frampton, Albert Sparks, J. Fred Stevens, Joseph Grollman. New York—Arthur H. Kudner. Chester—Owens Pinder, Percy E. Thomas, Percy Stallings, Claude Lowery.

Narrows—W. A. Thomas, Carroll Baxter, Salisbury—E. S. Adkins & Co. Baltimore—James A. Longan.

C. H. S. Alumni Plan Brilliant Christmas Fete

Charlie Barnet's Orchestra And Elaborate Decorations To Be Features

Outstanding in the celebration of the Christmas holiday in Queen Anne's county will be the annual dance of the Centreville High School Alumni Association, which will be held at Centreville Armory Chirstmas night, when Charlie Barnet's Columbia Radio Broadcasting orchestra will furnish music. Dancing will begin at 9:30 and continue until 2:30.

Under the direction of the Decorating committee headed by John Hall Price, the large drill room at the armory will be made beautiful with decorations of pine, Spanish moss and myriads of colored lights. Lighted bells will be suspended from the ceiling, and hundreds of balloons will also be an addition.

The orchestra will be placed on the stage, the ceiling of which will be arranged with sounding board in order that the dancers in the front of the building will have full benefit of the splendid music. The stage also will be gaily decorated with Christmas trees and colored lights.

The committees in charge of the affair are Music, Edwin G. Meredith, John Hall Price and W. John Connolly, Jr.

Chaperones — Miss Mary Catherine Tolson and Constance Price.

Decorations—John Hall Price, J. Paul Bruehl, Nicholas Nides, John T. Bruehl, Fred M. Cobb, Jr., and Miss Helen Benton.

Program—Dudley Benton, Miss Marjorie McKenney and Miss Dorothy E. Connolly.

The Chaperones will be—Mrs. R. E. C. Lowe, Mrs. Sudler Tolson, Mrs. S. E. W. Friel, Mrs. Frank Y. Whiteley, Mrs. Franklin D. Day, Mrs. W. Urie Cross, Mrs. A. A. M. Dewing and Miss Nannie P. Keating.

Community Club Elects Officers

Mrs. G. A. Walls Chosen 1937 President

Mrs. G. Aldred Walls was chosen president of the Sudlersville Community Betterment Club at the regular monthly business meeting held in the Club Room last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Walls will preside beginning at the January meeting.

Other officers elected were Mrs. John Mallalieu, vice-president; Miss Fannie B. Merrick, recording secretary; Mrs. Stanley Atkinson, treasurer; Mrs. Edward Gillespie, corresponding secretary.

The nominating committee consisted of Mrs. Theodore Walbert, Mrs. Millard Bull and Miss Emily Straughn.

For the holiday season the Community Tree in Sudlersville has been decorated with colored lights while the Community Hall is festooned with evergreens.

GRASONVILLE 4-H GIRLS

The regular meeting of the Grasonville 4-H Girls Club at the Grasonville School was marked by discussion of Dutch Doll needle books and practicing of club songs. Camera shots of the girls and Anna Geiger in her toe dance pose were taken by Miss Isabel Bewick.

BIG PORKERS AT BARCLAY

Barclay probably has the record so far this fall in raising big porkers. This week Booker and Wallace, well known merchants of the fiirst district town killed four fine hogs. They weighed respectively, 328, 344, 345 and 349, a total of 1366.

Firemen Ready For Gift Visits

Chief Bartlett Asks Donations For Candy

The Good Will Fire Company is to make its annual Christmas visit to Queen Anne's county homes with gifts of clothing and toys on Sunday. All the articles that can be repaired between now and Sunday have been received. The firemen are very short of candy. Chief F. Asbury Bartlett requests that those who wish to cooperate in some way in the Christmas distribution donate money to buy candy.

Toys, especially have been donated liberally this year. The meeting room at the fire house which is also a workshop for repairing and repainting the toys already has a generous collection ranging from sleds, three-foot fire truck and sailboats down to dolls for the girls.

The firemen as a group have collaborated in preparing most of the gifts. A committee consisting of Mrs. W. Marvin Barton, Mrs. F. Asbury Bartlett and Mrs. W. Ray Tabler are cooperating, especially with the clothing, dolls and similar articles.

Repairs for the fire house have about been completed. The meeting room has been opened into the main section, heat installed and the interior repainted.

Norman P. Walters, Wilton and Ross Sparks and M. B. Slemmer, who did the repairing, each contributing 10% of the amounts due them as a contribution toward defraying expenses.

Brilliant Dance Arranged For New Year's Eve

Little Theatre Patrons Issue Invitations This Week

Arrangements were completed last Monday evening by the committees in charge of the New Year's Eve Subscription Dance to be held at the Little Theatre in Centreville by the patrons of the Little Theatre. Walter C. Lee, acted as general chairman.

Mrs. A. Temple Blackwood, Chairman of the Invitation and Ticket committee, stated that invitations will be issued this week and should be in the hands of the guests not later than Wednesday of next week. Those who receive invitations are urged to reply at once, especially if they wish to make table reservations.

The quaint interior of the Little Theatre will be transformed into a smart and gay night club by the Decorating committee. Serving on this committee are Mrs. Walter C. Lee, Mrs. Alfred M. Green, Mrs. Leon A. Andrus, Mrs. Luther L. Gadd and Mrs. Thomas Marsalis.

Music will be furnished by a splendid Metropolitan orchestra and the New Year will be given a reception worthy of the occasion.

Other committees assisting with the affair include: Music, Alfred M. Green; Supper, Mrs. E. B. Emory; Refreshments, C. C. Mickle, Jr. and A Temple Blackwood; Table Arrangement, S. E. W. Friel, Jr., Mrs. Walter C. Lee, Richard Pitkin and Mrs. Luther L. Gadd; Floor Committee, J. Hall Barton, Dr. Norman P. Chanaud and Frank L. Willis; Treasurer, Sterling G. Harris.

CHIMNEY FIRE PUT OUT

A chimney fire at the home of Mrs. Herbert Warren was extinguished without damage by the Good Will Fire Company about 6 o'clock Monday evening.

County Roads Put In Shape To Face Winter

Roads 95% Graded. 5 Plows Assigned Here. Snow Fences Up

Queen Anne's county roads have been whipped into shape for the winter and a battery of five snow plows stationed at strategic points to be available for keeping the roads open when the drifts come.

During the summer 95% of the county roads have been graded, two 60-foot dirt highways constructed and shell and gravel put on bad spots everywhere. The 60-foot Barclay-Templeville road has received its top dressing of sand and gravel while the one of similar size running through Carmichael to Wye Island is now being given that treatment.

The county road crews have placed 27,000 cubic yards of gravel at various points where roads were known to be boggy in wet weather. The slag highway from Matapeake to Kent Island has been reinforced with 450 tons of slag while between 30,000 and 40,000 bushels of oyster shells have been laid, chiefly on the Kent Island thoroughfares.

The bright red posts which are appearing along highways and which have aroused questions are merely markers placed at culverts and headwalls for guides in snow removal. They are to prevent plows colliding with the concrete when the headwalls are covered with snow or are indistinguishable against the white mantle.

Although there is no numerical addition to the snow fighting equipment established in Queen Anne's county after the blockade of last Christmas night, the equipment has been strengthened and placed for prompter service.

Five plows have been definitely assigned to the county. Those stationed at Stevensville and Sudlersville will be mounted on heavier trucks of 2½ ton capacity as compared to the ton-sized ones used last winter. The large power grader stationed at Centreville will also be used in keeping roads clear while snows are light. Two plows stationed at Chestertown are to work in Queen Anne's county. One is to come down the highway as far as Centreville. The other will operate down to Church Hill and deflect over toward Sudlersville. One plow beside the power grader will be kept at Centreville.

With all this equipment plans are to tackle snow while it is falling rather than wait until drifts pile up. Snow fences to check drifting have been erected, 5,000 additional feet being employed with that of last year . A few individuals have also put up private snow fences, a privilege open, of course, to all.

County 4-H Party Draws 200 Guests Friday Night

The annual county-wide party of the Queen Anne's 4-H Clubs drew nearly two hundred guests to the Little Theatre Friday evening when awards were made for the year and an informal social hour enjoyed.

One of the features of the event was the formation of a living Christmas tree. A number of young people pyramided according to height and on chairs and one by one candles held in their hands were lighted.

Ralph McGinnis was master of ceremonies. Greetings were extended by Charles Chance, president of the county council of 4-H Clubs. Awards were presented by Miss Isabel Bewick and Kenneth W. Baker and as each was given, a taper was lighted on the club Achievement tree. W. G. Jenkins of the Etxension Service conducted the candlelight service.

Smoky Joe, Jr., Sits On Sand Bar 3 Days Until High Tide Comes

Love Point Ferry, Famed For Rescues, Grounds In Fog And Needs Help Itself. Passengers Taken Off After 40 Hours

The Love Point ferry "Pittsburgh," some times referred to as Smoky Joe, Jr., was back at the job of shuttling passengers up and down the Chesapeake Bay between Love Point and Baltimore at 7 o'clock Monday morning after having been out of work on a three-day sit-down strike on a sand bar a few miles above its Kent Island base.

The high point of Smokey Joe, Jr's. experience was being on the receiving end of help. Since it has been in service on the Love Point-Baltimore jaunt the ferry has carried on well the traditions of the Philadelphia, the original Smoky Joe, in the matter of making rescues on Chesapeake Bay. But this time it was the twenty-nine passengers on Smoky Joe, Jr., that had to be transferred to other boats.

A blanketing fog that set in Thursday night was at the bottom of the ferry's trouble. Despite a fog so heavy that Captain Linwood P. Clifton could not see the flagpole on the prow of his ship, the Pittsburgh pulled out at 6 o'clock on its regular evening run from Love Point.

A few miles on, the Pittsburgh, which draws fifteen feet of w ater, skewed off its course into shallows and buried its keel into six feet or more of sand.

Visibility on the bay was non-existent. All night long Smoky Joe, Jr., stuck fast on the sand bank knew where it was, but no one else did. The ferry's plight was not really discovered until Friday morning. Love Point knew that it had shoved off and Baltimore knew that it had not arrived.

Aboard the boat there was no excitement whatsoever. The passengers merely waited, and when they got tired of sitting up, members of the crew surrendered their sleeping quarters to their unexpected overnight guests. There was plenty of food aboard the boat and coffee and breakfast, with other meals, were served as the hours of delay mounted up.

Friday morning a tug came to the assistance of the Pittsburgh. A seven-inch hawser was hitched on to the ferry. The tug pulled and the hawser snapped in tow. A steel cable likewise parted.

A second tug puffed in to help pull Smoky Joe off the bar but Joe sat tight. Meanwhile ten of the passengers were taken off in fishing boats. The other nineteen preferred to wait it out with the crew of twenty-one aboard.

On Friday afternoon a dredge boat swung into action and started sucking the sand from around the Pittsburgh. This continued all night. When the boat was still fast aground Saturday, the remaining nineteen passengers, including Mrs. Benjamin Cockey, of Queenstown and William Phoebus, of Kent Island were taken off by the power boat Chester, and returned to

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Next Week's Issue Appears Tuesday

Next week's issue of the Queen Anne's Record-Observer will appear early Tuesday morning, instead of the usual time on Thursday. This is being done to give the entire staff a few days to enjoy Christmas after having worked so enthusiastically in printing the many large issues of the past weeks.

All advertising to appear in next week's issue must be in before Monday noon. Likewise, all correspondents are asked to have their material in before Monday noon, as otherwise it will not be used.

Ladies' Night Celebrated By St. Tammany's

Lodge Also Attends Service Sunday At Grace M. P. Church

St. Tammany's Lodge of Odd Fellows celebrated its annual Ladies Night with a banquet at Hotel Centreville Thursday evening attended by upwards of a hundred members, their wives and guests. T. Earle Ewing, of Easton, Grand Master of the Maryland Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows and Charles B. Schone, Past Grand Master, were among the guests.

The dining room was decorated with crepe paper fastooned in chains signifying the Odd Fellow's emblem. Dr. Norman P. Chanaud was toastmaster. Considerable merriment pervaded the informal portion of the program.

The speakers of the occasion included Mr. Ewing, Mr. Schone and the Rev. Harry B. Wright, of Wilmington. Mr. Ewing extended greetings from the Grand Lodge; Mr. Schone, who is president of the Board of Trustees of the Odd Fellows Home at Frederick, gave a report on that institution; and Mr. Wright spoke on friendship.

On Sunday morning St. Tammany's attended a special Odd Fellows service at Grace Methodist Protestant Church in Centreville. Fifty members were present, including Grand Master Ewing and visiting Odd Fellows from Fishing Creek, Still Pond, Chestertown and Easton.

The sermon for the occasion was preached by the Rev. L. Colvin Randall, pastor of Grace Church, who delivered an impressive address on friendship, love and truth, the theme of Odd Fellowship.

A large delegatiion from St. Tammany's is expected to visit Chestertown tonight, Thursday, when the lodge in that town will confer degrees at the Chestertown Armory. Easton lodge is to exemplify the degree work. Previous to the session there will be a parade in Chestertown with the visiting Odd Fellows also participating.

Church Leaders Speak At M. P. Conference

Dr. Sexsmith, Dr. Bertholf Address Sessions At Grace Church

Addresses by Dr. E. A. Sexsmith, president of the Maryland Methodist Protestant Conference, and Dr. L. W. Bertholf, dean of the department of biology and young people's counselor of the Student Body at Western Maryland College, featured the quarterly conference of the Third District of Methodist Protestant Churches at Grace Church, Centreville, Thursday afternoon and evening.

In spite of wet, foggy weather which made traveling difficult, the attendance was about one hundred and fifty. The churches represented included Denton, Chestertown, Carmichael, Harrington, Del.; Rock Hall, Kennedyville, St. James in Kent County, Stevensville, Ruthsburg and Grace.

The afternoon session opened with a devotional service led by the Rev. W. G. Roberts, pastor of Christ M. P. Church at Chestertown, following which two group conferences were held. That for ministers, church leaders and the older public generally was conducted by Dr. Sexsmith.

Rev. R. W. White, pastor of the Rhode Island M. P. Church at Washington, led the conference for young people, the theme of his address being young poople's problems in church life.

Dr. Sexsmith gave his quarterly report on the state of the conference at

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Countians Named Scout Executives

At a meeting of the Tri-County District embracing Caroline, Queen Anne's and Talbot counties for Boy Scout Work, two Queen Anne's county men were elected officers. They are Franklin D. Day, who was named a Vice-Chairman, and Dr. N. P. Chanaud, named a Scout Commissioner. John W. Noble, of Preston, a former Vice-Chairman was elected Chairman; J. Willard Davis, formerly of Centreville, now of Easton, was named a Vice-Chairman with Mr. Day, and other members of the Board of Commissioners are Benjamin C. Willis, of Caroline county, and F. Stewart Lewis, of Talbot.

Free Gifts For Children From Santa Saturday

Christmas Party Set For 2 P. M. Saturday At Courthouse

With Christmas only a week away the big holiday celebration sponsored by the Business Men's Association of Centreville swings into high gear for a grand finale. Three stirring events are to be presented in six days, the Rotary Christmas party for children on Saturday afternoon, the second carol sing on the Courthouse Green Monday evening and finally the award of $150 in cash prizes on the Courthouse Green Wednesday afternoon and evening.

The children of Queen Anne's county and nearby sections are looking forward to the coming of Santa Claus. He will ride gaily up to the community Christmas Tree loaded down with a bulging pack of candy and fruit at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Every child may not only see Santa Claus but each will be given a gift by him personally. The entire Rotary Club will see to it that Santa has no trouble getting to Centreville to extend his personal greetings.

The old Christmas custom of singing carols will again be carried out Monday evening at the Courthouse. The inspiring words of Silent Night, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing and other tunes breathing the joy of the season will fill the air. Instrumental music is to be secured to accompany the singers. Rev. L. Colvin Randall, pastor of Grace Methodist Protestant Church, will direct the sing.

Then on Wednesday the drawing for prizes will be held. Fifty-four cash awards are to be given to holders of the lucky tickets which may be obtained with purchases of 25c or more. Shoppers are already tying up their cluster of tickets, for some one of these tickets will be worth a cool $50.

Rain postponed the first item in the celebration when Santa Claus sent a telegram addressed to the good girls and boys to say he would not arrive on Saturday when the weather was not proper for them to be out.

Instead he rode in through the skies Monday afternoon, dropping down in a plane at the Race Track. Little tots in particular crowded around to shake hands with Santa and whisper in his ear that they would like a wagon or a doll or what not. And Santa listened to every request.

A trumpeters' quartette from Washington College featured the Community sing held at the Courthouse Tuesday evening. The musicians were Edward Miller, Harry Coleman, Miss Charlotte Shaull and Cliff Hope. Rev. Mr. Randall was song leader.

Following a ten minute instrumental concert a group of Centreville High School pupils marched from the steps of the Centreville M. E. Church to the Courthouse singing Silent Night. During the intermission in the singing of carols Edward Miller played the Cantique de Noel.

Wye Hall To Be Restored As Of Colonial Days

Work To Begin Upon Arrival Of Hand Made Colonial Brick From Virginia

Rupert and Fulenwider, Inc., contractors and builders of Wilmington, have been awarded the contract for the rebuilding and restoratiion of old Wye Hall Mansion, once the home of William Paca, signer of the Declaration of Independence and now the property of W. H. Stillwell, prominent business man of Chicago and New York. It is located on Wye Island.

Actual work of the restoration will be started as soon as hand made colonial brick arrives from Virginia. The brick will be shipped to the site by barge. The work is expected to require about a year and a half.

Mr. Stillwell purchased the property several months ago and already several improvements have been made. The old coach house has already been restored to its former state, the work having been done by C. Page Comegys, of Easton. Ernest Heming, of the Eastern Shore Nurseries, has also been engaged in restoring the old shrubbery and many of the famous trees on the estate.

The original Wye Hall mansion was erected in 1793 by William Paca for his son John on a design prepared by John Hoban, the architect of the White House in Washington. It was in this mansion that Paca entertained many important statesmen and soldiers during the colonial days, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, General Marquis de Lafayette, and many others.

In 1890 the beautiful mansion was practically destroyed by fire leaving only the massive walls with which to start rebuilding. The two wings were

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Mr. Emory Accepts Post In Panama

F. Addison Emory leaves this week for New Orleans, Louisiana, from where he will sail on December 26th for Christobol, Canal Zone, where he will be employed by the Wilmoth Paving Company in road building work. Mr. Emory is the son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Emory, of near Centreville, and for several years has been in the employe of the Maryland State Roads Commission. He will remain in Panama until spring.