UP AND DOWN THE Eastern Shore

Chorister Drops Dead

Easton—Frank G. Garey, 73-year-old blind member of the Calvary Methodist Church who sang bass with the choristers for fifty-three years, fell dead from a heart attack as the choir and congregation sang the hymn "Savior, More Than Life To Me." He was singing as he fell. The service was halted while he was taken to the Sunday School room where efforts were made to revive him. Announcement of his death was not made to the congregation until the service ended.

Woman Dies At 112

Federalsburg—Believed to have been Maryland's oldest citizen Rachel Stanley, negro woman died at her home on Skinner's Run at 112 years. Her age was established by county authorities several years ago. Until she reluctantly accepted an old age pension the elderly woman had earned her living piecing quilts, hooking rugs and picking strawberries.

Fix Wage Scale

Salisbury—A minimum wage of $16 weekly from employees of twenty-one hosiery mills in Delaware and on the Eastern Shore was announced after a conference between hosiery manufacturers and the Wages and Hours Board.

Hot Mail

Snow Hill—Fire starting inside the Pearl street letter box of the postoffice burned the mail dropped into it before a bucket of water poured through the slot cancelled the blaze.

Hold Tax Rate

Snow Hill—In spite of mounting expenses because of projects the town tax rate has been fixed again at 75c per $100.

Tax Rate Up 22c

Salisbury—The county commissioners boosted the Wicomico tax rate to $1.29 per $100, and increase of 22 cents over the 1938 figure. A deficit of some $36,000 hanging over from the past year and said to be due to expenditures for relief was the chief contributing cause of the rise.

$1,500 For Broken Back

Chestertown—Hurt when he fell from a tree near Rock Hall two years ago while cutting limbs to adjust electric wires James Everett accepted an award of $1,500 in compensation. He had been receiving $16 per week from the State Accident Insurance Commission. Everett incurred a broken back and other injuries.

Top Prize

Salisbury—Miss Margaret Laws of Wango, senior in the State Teachers College won first prize of $75 in a national contest on the topic, The American Teacher, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow.

Kills Water Snake

Snow Hill—Despite U. S. Geological Survey records which state that the poisonous water moccasin is not found north of North Carolina, a five-foot moccasin was shot and killed at Dighton's wharf near here by Thomas Bowen. About thirty years ago a similar reptile was killed on a farm near here.

Buys Noted Preserve

Cambridge—A 600-acre estate comprising James Island and part of Taylor's Island, rated as one of the foremost hunting and fishing preserves along the Chesapeake, has been bought by L. R. Grunman and Leon A. Swirbul, New York aviation company officials. An airbase for amphibian planes is to be constructed at Taylor's Island.

Taxrate Up

Easton — The county commissioners hiked the taxrate for Talbot five cents this year, making the 1939 rate $1.12 as against $1.07 in 1938.

Fire Nipped In Time

Princess Anne—Failing to complete a turn an automobile driven by Oats Jester crashed into one of the tanks of Simpkins Bros. filling station, set fire to the gas in the top of the pump which exploded and in turn fired a fuel delivery truck parked nearby. The driver was pulled from the car in a semi-conscious condition by his passenger. Firemen extinguished the blaze as it was getting ready to spread further, three tires being burned off the truck and the filling station scorched.

Close One-Room Schools

Chestertown—Four white and four colored one-teacher schools in Kent county were ordered closed and the pupils transported by bus to other schools. Only three one-teacher schools now remain.

Same Tax Rate

Elkton—The town tax rate has been set at 70c per $100, the same rate as in 1938. The police force was cut from three men to two, one man for day and one for night work.

Car Too Heavy

Rising Sun—Stepping in front of his son-in-law's parked automobile which started to roll down grade of its own accord William M. Pogue, merchant, was knocked down and run over by the car, one wheel passing over his leg and inflicting severe injuries.

Water Is Water

Fruitland—Balked temporarily when water supplies ran thin, firemen pumped from pickle vats to check the spread of flames which destroyed the Long Lumber Company mill with a loss estimated at $25,000. A county-wide alarm brought fifteen fire companies to the blaze. When the cannery owned by John H. Dulany and Son, a hundred feet from the mill, was endangered, firemen were forced to connect their lines with the pickle vats to get water enough to halt the flames.

Graduates Of Queen Anne's County High Schools

SUDLERSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

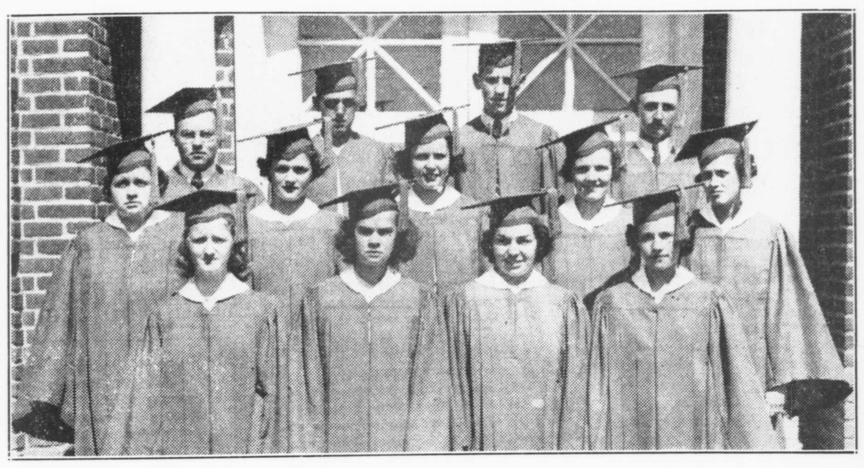
Left to right.

First row—Anna Marie Cacy, Lois Margaret Stevens, Dorothy Virginia Holden, Elizabeth Shaw Emerson.

Second row—Robert Neal Coleman, Ellen Ross Johnson, Elizabeth Margaret King, Ella Marie Faulkner, Elwood Tyson Walls, jr.

Third row—James Thomas Stevens, John Ware, jr., William Rodgers Wilson, III, Charles Marion Benton.

CHURCH HILL HIGH SCHOOL



Left to right.

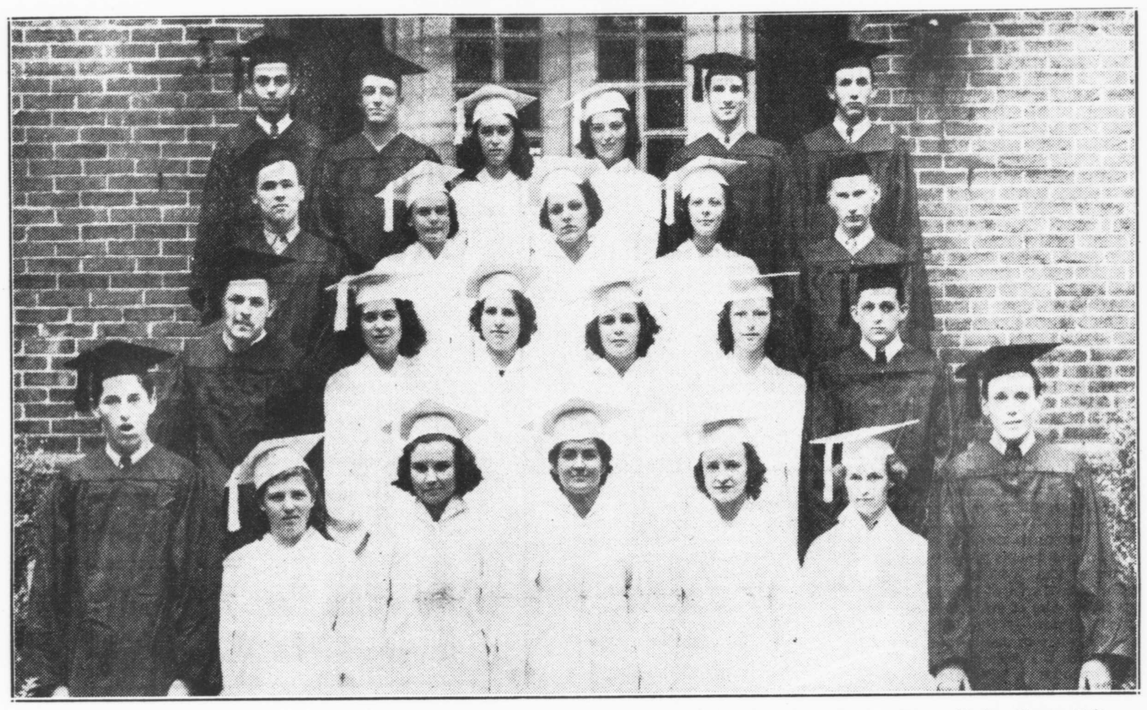
First row—Winifred Watts Walls, Mildred Lucille Brown, Helen Elizabeth McGinnis, Blanche Anderson Bowen.

Second row—Jean Hamilton Temple, Anna Rebecca Stant, Ethel May Lucas, Dorothy Jane Atkinson, Dorothy M. Sparks.

Third row—Marion Oscar Sparks, William A. McFarland, Philip Lee Dudley, Marion George Coleman.

CENTREVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

1939



1939

Left to right.

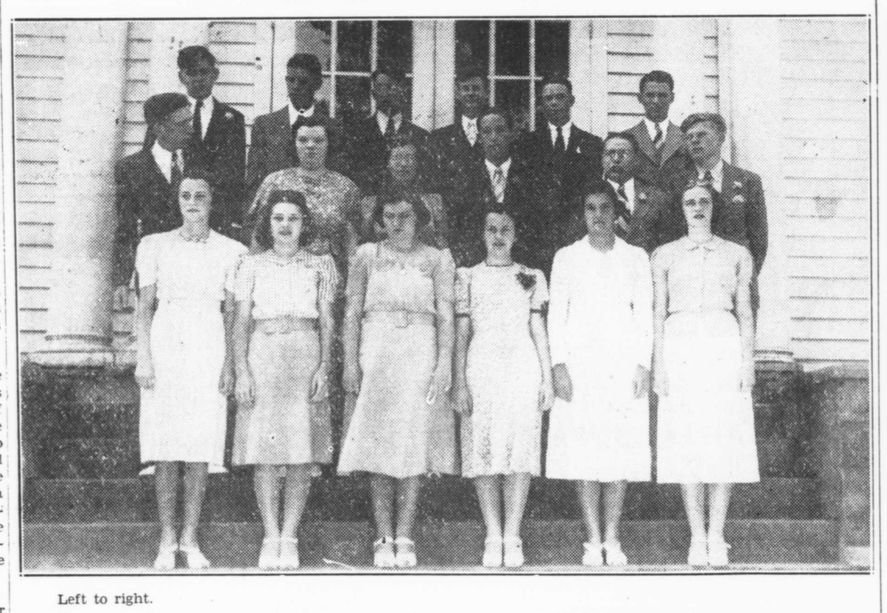
First row—James William Moore, Rose Elizabeth Kauffman, Martha Elizabeth Barton, Margaret Alice Rhodes, Frances Bryan Brown, Evelyn Scott Butler, Edward Hall Covell, jr.

Second row—David Gibson, Virginia Lee Handley, Mary Katherine Whitby, Jane Louise Chambers, Cora Virginia Storey, Marion George Golt.

Third row—John Palmer Smith, jr., Grace Madeline Ireland, Elsie Covey, Ruth Naomi Mandrell, Alva Lee Stant.

Fourth row—Thomas Orville Usilton, Thomas Howard Hardy, Rose Thelma Lane, Grace Anna Larrimore, Ridgaway West Perkins, William Olin Hunter, jr.

TRI-COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL



Left to right.

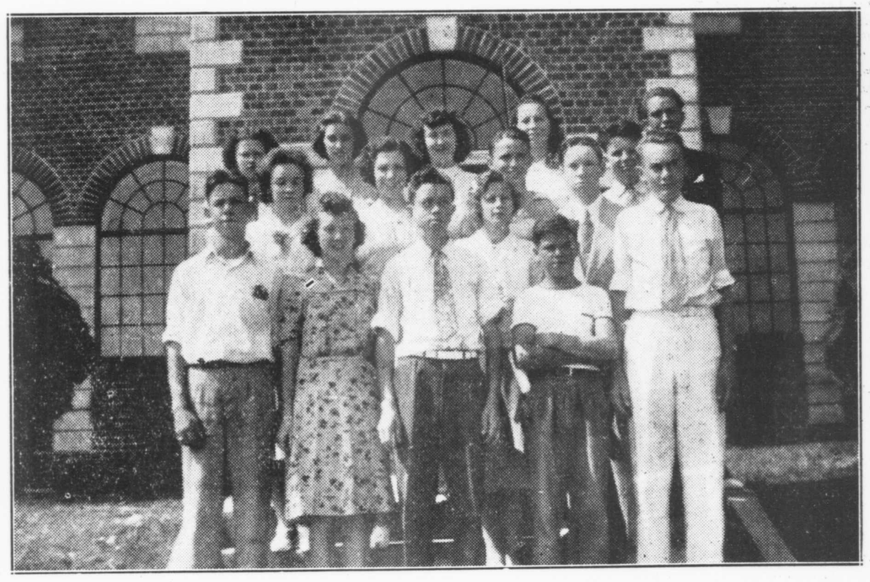
First row—Carolyn Hopkins Holland, Jane Elaine Murphy, Mary Elizabeth McDonnell, Norma Irene Hicks, Lydia Mildred Anna Nelson, Anna Marie Comegys.

Second row—Robert Harry Gibson, jr., Mary Jane Starkey, Juanita May Howard, John Irvin Ingram, Ray Eugene Baker, Charles Cannon Barton.

Third row—John Paul Boyle, Bernard Friel Sparks, Marion Linwood Roe, Joseph Birch Colgain, Robert Gibson Sharp, William Bernard Messix.

Absent when picture was taken—Helen Lee Short.

STEVENSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL



Left to right.

First row—Alton Carroll Pierson, Olive Carroll Bryan, James Clifton Coleman, James Franklin Ewing, Alvin Wilmer Tolson.

Second row—Doris Isabel Legg, Hilda Mae Kelley, Magdalene Anna Eaton, William Emory Lane, Ernest Martin Smith, John William Eckstorm, jr.

Third row—Catherine Nataline Benton, Nancy Marie Clark, Eldoris Bernice Jensen, Emma Virginia Gardner, James Melvin Gardner.

Members absent when the picture was taken were Margaret M. Fleckenstein, Ruby Marie Baxter, Irvin Oscar Drummer, William Coral Thomas, James Frederick White, jr.

Sudlersville, Tri-County Have Numerous Graduation Awards

Awards made at the Sudlersville and Tri-County high school graduation exercises were received too late for last week's issue of the Record-Observer. They are listed below.

Sudlersville—Honor Roll — Seniors, Elizabeth Emerson, Ellen Johnson, Elizabeth King, Lois Stevens, James Stevens. Juniors, Mary Cole Hilda Davis, George Ruppert, Eleanor Starkey, Helen Taylor, Mary K .Thawley, Harriet Walls. Sophomores, Allen Cohey, Betty Holden, William Nickerson, Paul Young. Freshman, Clements Wilson.

Medals—Balfour award for loyalty, scholarship and achievement, Lois Stevens. Sons of American Revolution award for citizenship, Dorothy Holden. Faculty award for highest scholastic honors, Ellen Ross Johnson. Alumni award for best all around senior, Lois Stevens.

Queen Anne's county baseball champions, Charles Holden, Francis Coursey, Sterling Walbert, Thomas Stevens, Roger Teat, Marion Benton, Noah Skinner, Theodore J. Walbert, jr., John Ware, Samuel Wilson.

Letters, Marion Benton, Thomas Stevens, John Ware, Sterling Walbert, Roger Teat, Charles Holden, Noah Skinner, Francis Coursey, Theodore J. Walbert, jr.

Class numerals, Lois Stevens, 1939; Betty King, 1939; Robert Coleman, 1939; William Wilson, 1939; Joanne Webster, 1940; Samuel Wilson, 1941.

Tri-County—Citizenship medal, Joseph Colgain. Scholarship, Bernard Sparks, Paul Boyle. Best Athlete, Harry Gibson. Mathematics, Bernard Sparks. English, Norma Hicks, Marie Comegys. Cooperation, Carolyn Holland, Ray Baker.

National anthem, Mildred Nelson, Norma Hicks, Elaine Murphy, Marie Comegys, Juanita Howard, Carolyn Holland, Elizabeth McDonnell, Paul Boyle.

Athletic letters, Marie Comegys, Mildred Nelson, Elaine Murphy, Harry Gibson, Joseph Colgain.

Letters for perfect attendance, Marie Comegys, Norma Hicks, Carolyn Holland, Harry Gibson, Joseph Colgain.

Underclass awards, Juniors, French, Esther Skinner, Marie Hutchison, Marie Usilton. English, Esther Skinner. Sophomore, history, Betty Lee Morse, Beatrice Anderson. English, Betty Lee Morse. Freshmen, civics, Laura V. Fleming, Ann Starkey.

Athletic letters, Esther Skinner, Marie Skinner, Marie Hutchison, Thomas Morris, James Skipper, Pauline Baker, Beatrice Anderson, Virginia Carroll, Lester Whitby, Billy Watts, Julia Whitby, Eva States, Thomas Starkey.

Perfect attendance, Mildred Walters, Dorothy Blades, Betty Lee Morse, Kenneth Hicks, Thomas Lynch, Emmett Sylvester, Eleanor Carroll, Laura Fleming.

4-H CAMP

The annual 4-H Club Camp will be held this year at the University of Maryland from August 7 to 12, it is announced by E. G. Jenkins, State Boys' Club Agent. About 500 boys and girls from all counties of the State are expected to attend the camp .

Obituary

JOHN W. NELSON

Funeral servcies for John Walton Nelson, Ruthsburg farmer who died suddenly at his home on the Dolby farm on Wednesday of last week, were held from Starr Methodist Church Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev. W. L. McClintock, former pastor at Starr, officiated, assisted by the Rev. Harold Hallman, present pastor, and the Rev. G. Homer Murphy, a former pastor.

During the service the Rev. Mr. Murphy sang "Abide With Me."

Mr. Nelson ,who was born in Queen Anne's county on September 13, 1876, had been in failing health for about a year. He is survived by his wife, the former Mary Frances Cook, a daughter, Mrs. William Meredith of the Centreville vicinity; two sons, John W. Nelson, jr., of Starr, and Dorsey Cook Nelson, at home; a brother, Medford Nelson, who lived at his brother's home, and two grandchildren.

The bearers were Dawson Coursey, Marvin Reden, Philip Potts, Herman Comegys, John Comegys and Harry Rittenhouse.

Interment was in Green Mount Cemetery in Hillsboro.

IN RECORD CLASS

A new record exceeding the average of the Guernsey breed for her age and class has been completed by two-year-old Broadland Charm, registered Guernsey owned by Thomas Marsalis and tested at My Lord's Gift Farm. The two-year-old produced 10,606.1 pounds of milk and 582.1 pounds of butterfat in class G.