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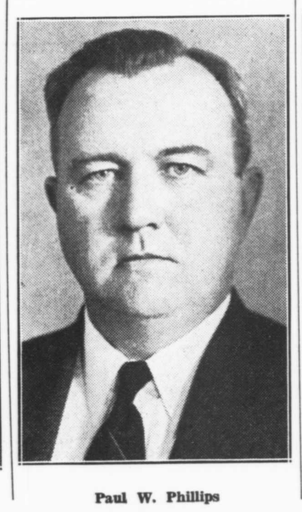

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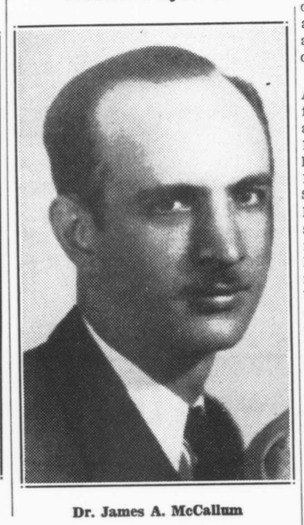


Dr. James A. McCallum

Century-Old House Burns

Rising Sun—Noticing a light in the attic as he returned from a visit to his wife at a hospital Gwyn Edwards, recent purchaser of a fine old mansion house near Calvert paused to put his car in the garage and entered the home to find it a mass of flames. When local firemen arrived the structure was doomed and practically all the furniture went with it. The dwelling was erected in 1834.

Centreville National, County's Oldest Bank, Is Financial Hub

The oldest bank in Queen Anne's county and substantial with assets well above the million-dollar mark the Centreville National Bank rounded out its sixty-third year in June, a long period in the life of an individual but merely evidence of strength and vitality for a busness organization.

Three generations of depositors have passed through the portals of the institutions since the day in June, 1876, when a small group of far-sighted citizens pioneered the first banking company in Queen Anne's county.

Eras of prosperity and periods of depression have swept the nation during the life time of the bank. It has met good times and bad, kept pace wtih changes in banking methods and the expanding scope of financial transactions.

The bank today has 42 stockholders. It paid its 119th dividend this year, making a total of $442,875 paid to stockholders over its sixty-three years of business life. Deposits now are above $1,130,000.

During its history the Centreville National Bank has had but four presidents. General William McKenney filled the post from the organization in 1876 until his death in 1897. He was followed by Dr. James Bordley whose terms spanned the years 1897 to 1909. William McKenney, son of the General succeeded Dr. Bordley at the latter's death and held the presidency until his own passing in 1921. In that year Senator William R. Wilson was chosen as head of the bank, a position he still occupies.

The cashers have been six William A. Cunningham of Westminster was the first, serving from 1876 to 1877. Richard Earle Feddeman served four years, 1877-1881, resigning because of ill health. Josiah Hall filled the post from 1881 to 1885, resigning to join the West Shore Railroad in New York. J. Fletcher Rolph, who saw more than fifty years service with the bank, was cashier for forty-four years or two-thirds of its history, from 1885 until 1929 when he retired at the age of seventy. Spencer Wright was cashier from 1929 until he resigned in 1934. W. Ray Tabler, the present cashier, followed Mr. Wright in 1934 and is now in his sixth year in the post of responsibility.

The bank's first quarters were on the site of the present Centreville Opera House. This building was razed in the great fire which swept the business section of Centreville in 1904.

The directors determined to build on a site nearer the center of town, purchased two and a half lots on the corner of Commerce street and Lawyers' Row where a handsome banking house was erected. Here it still conducts its business as the financial heart of the community.

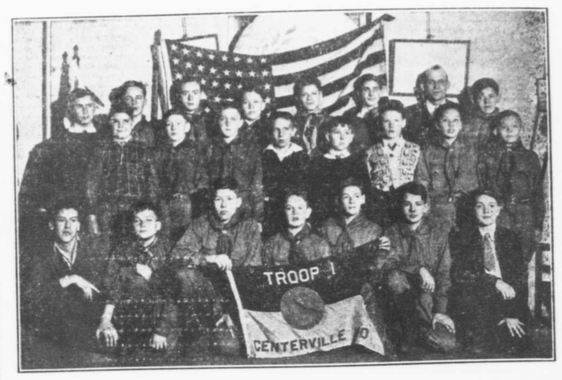
The present officers are Senator William R. Wilson, president; Dr. H. F. McPherson, vice-president; W. Ray Tabler, cashier; Henry T. Deaver, assisant cashier.

The directors include Senator Wilson, Dr. McPherson, John P. Corcoran, Elmer Golt, Alfred M .Green, L. Tilghman Hayden, Thomas J. Keating, jr., J. Olin Pippin, Howard W. Ryland and E. Stephens Valliant

DAIRY CHANGES HANDS

Salisbury—The Homestead Dairy, one of the largest and finest dairy plants on the Eastern Shore has been bought by a group headed by Thomas S. Holt of Federalsburg.

FIRST CENTREVILLE BOY SCOUT TROOP



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