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City Of Tents Going Up For Eastern Shore Fair

Entries Will Start Pouring In Friday. Governor Expected To Attend Wednesday. Officials Anticipate Successful 4-Day Showing

The Eastern Shore Fair to be held at the Race Track, one mile south of Centreville, is ready to open its gates to the public on Monday, September 11. All this week a large group of men will be working day and night to have the tent city ready to receive the exhibits, which will begin to arrive Friday, September 8, from eight states, to compete for the $5800 in premium money.

Governor Herbert R. O.Conor has wired the Executive Committee that he is making every effort to attend the Fair on Wednesday, Sepember 13, which day has been designated as Farm Bureau Day.

For the past month work preparing the grounds has been under way and all arrangements have been made to efficiently handle the largest crowd, which has ever gathered on the Shore.

Ample free parking arrangements have been made for the parking for 5,000 cars each day adjoining the grounds. There will, also, be a limited number of reserved parking spaces inside the grounds, for which a small charge will be made.

In addition to the twelve large tents which will house the livestock there will be two tents operated by the Centreville Woman's Club as restaurants and one tent, which will be designated as Farm Bureau Tent, which will be opened at all times. Many of the exhibitors of agricultural machinery are housing their exhibits in tents in the exhibit area. This section should be of great interest to our farming community.

The Fair will open with the 4-H Club and F. F .A. Classes, Suffolk Horse exhibition and Hereford cattle on Monday morning. Monday afternoon, Holstein cattle, Belgian horses and 4-H Club will constitute the judging schedule. At 1:30 the first of the three Trotting Races, scheduled for that day, will begin.

Tuesday will be devoted entirely to the judging of Guernsey, Aberdeen-Angus and Percheron Horses.

Wednesday morning and afternoon will be devoted to Jersey cattle and Farm and Mule Teams. In the afternoon the Eastern Shore Championship Pulling Contest, using the University of Maryland's streamlined dynamometer will be held. At 1:30, the first of the three Trotting Races will begin.

On Thursday the Horse Show will be the feature of the day. Many innovations have been made this year, the most striking of which will be the outside course of ten jumps, to negotiate which the horses will have to galop nearly a half mile.

On Monday and Tuesday the band of the Sudlersville Volunteer Firemen's Department will provide music in the band stand from 1 until 5 o'clock. On Wednesday the Chestertown Band will play and on Thursday the Denton Volunteer Firemen's Band will provide the music.

The Fair will end each evening with a parade of the prize winning livestock at 5:00 p. m.

Scholarship For 3 County Students

Orville Usilton Awarded St. John's Place

Announcement of the award of Senatorial scholarship to 3 Queen Anne's county students was made by Senator Dudley G. Roe on Wednesday following receipt of results of examinations for the place.

John Palmer Smith, jr., of Centreville was given the scholarship to Charlotte Hall. He was the only candidate and passed the examination with a rating of 98 percent.

Thomas Orville Usilton, of Centreville, was likewise the only applicant for the scholarship at St. John's College at Annapolis. He made a gross score of 109 and was given the appoointment by Senator Roe.

Two girls competed for the scholarship at St. Mary's Female Seminary at St. Mary's City . The high mark in the exmination was made by Miss Blanche Bowen of Church Hill, who was given the appointment.

LEAVE TAGS AT JAIL

Sheriff Edward Earl Coursey asks that all finders of automobile tags leave them at his office in Centreville. The Sheriff has a record of the owners of all Maryland cars and if the lost tags are left with him he will notify the owners. One Centreville resident had to order a new set or tags this week because the finder kept them too long wondering how to get in touch with the owner.

ST. LUKE'S SERVICES

Services for St. Luke's Parish on Sunday are announced by the Rev. C. Eastburn, rector, as follows: At St. Luke's, Morning Prayer and Sermon, 9 a. m.; Church School, 10 a. m. At St. Andrew's Chapel, Sudlersville, Church School, 10 a.m.; Holy Communion and Sermon, 11 a. m.

State Will Take Over Wye Oak, Create Park

Funds For Purchase Obtained By Alexis Shriver. Governor Approves

The famous Wye Oak tree, at Wye Mills reputed to be between 400 and 500 years old and declared by authorities to be the finest specimen of white oak in the United States, is to be acquired by the State is an object of interest.

Governor O'Conor anounced he has given his aproval of the purchase of the tree which stands on the State highway in Talbot county.

Early last spring Alexis Shriver, State director of historical markers, launched a campaign to buy the tree and two houses that stand under it with a view to creating a small public park at the site. Mr. Shriver said the tree and properties will be bought with funds he has collected from Eastern Shore garden clubs, other Shore organizations and hundreds of individuals. The State also will contribute.

The houses are owned by Mrs. Susie Straughn and John Kinnemon. The Straughn house will be moved to the back of the lot and be used as a care-keeper's house. The properties will be purchased as a preventive measure. If either caught fire, the tree might suffer fatal damage.

In announcing his approval of the proposed acquisition of the tree the Governor said it would be "in accordance with our desire to preserve places of historical and outstanding interest and to emphasize the attractive points in Maryland", adding "there is such a multitude of attractions for our visitors as well as for our own citizens that we plan to do everything posible to focus attention upon them."

Dr. Charles S. Sargent, former director of the Arnold Arboretum, of Cambridge, Mass., who visited the tree some years before his death, said it was the finest specimen of its kind in the country. It is recorded in the hall of fame of the American Tree Association and of the American Forestry Association.

Several years before his death DeCourcy W. Thom, of Blakeford at Queenstown, spent $1,000 to have the tree put in perfect condition. Mr. Shriver explained that after the tree has been acquired from its present owners the State Bureau of Forestry will take over its care, which will include the placement of lightning rods and preservation.

The Federal Forestry Department has rated the Wye Oak the largest white oak east of the Mississippi river. The tree, which is 95 feet high, has a spread of 165 feet and a circumference of 57 feet. The tree's circumference two feet above ground is 27 feet and 8 inches.

Sox Lose Playoff Opener To Cambridge

The Centreville Red Sox lost the opening game of the 1939 playoff series when Cambridge unleashed a powerful batting atack to win 10-1 at Centreville Wednesday night. After scratch infield hits put pitcher Brosnan in a hole Miller of Cambridge socked a homer with the bases loaded to climax a six running cluster for Cambridge in the second inning. Mussel, who relieved Brosnan pitched shutout ball until an error by King paved the way for three unearned runs.

The Bulova watch offered to the player with the highest batting average was awarded to Francis Red Walsh, third baseman. A chest of sterling silver was presented to Cap Clark and a 21-jewel watch to Business Manager F. Asbury Bartlett in pre-game ceremonies.

Bus To Fair

Free bus service will be provided between Centreville and the Race track, site of the Eastern Shore Fair, by the Centreville Rotary Club on each of the Fair days, Monday through Thursday, of the coming week. A school bus has been loaned to the Rotary for the purpose by J. Olin Pippin with the Club to provide a driver and supplies.

The bus will leave the Courthouse each morning at 9:15 for the Fair grounds. Thereafter it will leave the Fair grounds on the half hour and the Courthouse on the hour in regular trips until 6 o'clock. However, no runs will be made between 3:30 and 5:00 p. m., since the bus will be required for transportation of school children. Passengers will be carried without charge.

Oyster Season Opens; Bivalves In Fair Shape

Watermen Report Quality, Scareity. Cull Law Cuts Catches

Flush with the arrival of the first "R" month the oyster season opened in Queen Anne's county Friday and tongers made contact with the oyster rocks to feel out the possibilities ahead. Tonging also opened that day in Kent, Talbot, Wicomico and Somerset counties.

For two months the tongers will have Maryland waters to themselves. The dredgers, the big fry in the oyster catching business who produce the bulk of the State's oystesr each year, will not be permitted to operate until November 1.

Reports from Kent Island, the Narrows and Grasonville are fairly encouraging. The bivalves are said to be in very good shape for the opening of the season and without mussels. With cooler weather they should fatten up and be of excellent grade. However, both Kent Island and the Narrows report oysters not very plentiful.

The cull law is being enforced more strictly this week than in past seasons and this is cutting down the catch. The weather has been hot for the most part.

Many of the county watermen have been out at least once, others have been working just ocasionally. The market is not very strong but is expected to firm when autumn and cool weather arrive.

Prices opened Friday at 40 cents a bushel and have dropped off slightly since. On Wednesday, prices ranged from 30 cents to 40 cents per bushel according to quality. Tongers have been doing fairly well on days when they work. They have been catching up to forty bushels and making between $10 and $12, two men to a boat.

Most of the packing houses are open although they are not buying every day. Demand slackened quickly after the opening day. Packers are optimistic, however, and look for a good season in Queen Anne's this year. They merely remark, "We'll give you a better line on things in a couple of weeks."

Red Sox Hosts To Cambridge As Season Opens

First Playoffs Pit Sox Against Cards; Feds Against Dover

Playoffs for the championship of the Eastern Shore Baseball League started Wednesday night with Federalsburg, winner of the regular season, entertaining Dover at Federalsburg and the Centreville Red Sox, fourth place holders, playing host to the Cambridge Cardinals at Queen Anne's park.

Ordinarly the first and second place clubs have the right to begin play-off series at home. When plans were drawn up this year Federalsburg and Cambridge, top ranking clubs., decided that their parks were in to close propinquity and tossed a coin to see which would surrender the privilege of opening the series at home. Cambridge lost and played at Centreville in consequence.

The initial series is for the best three out of five games. These will be played on successive evenings or Sunday afternoon until a winner emerges. That means that Centreville and Cambridge play at Centreville Wednesday and Friday evenings and at Cambridge Thursday and Saturday evenings, if the series lasts that long. If a fifth game is necessary the location will be decided by the flip of a coin.

Similarly Dover will play at Federalsburg on Wednesday and Friday evenings and Federalsburg at Dover on Thursday and Saturday with the odd game, if necessary, determined by a coin.

The final playoff to decide the championship will be between the winners of the first series. This will be for the best four out of seven games. The high ranking club in the regular season customarily has the privilege of playing the first game on its home grounds.

Centreville won the final playoff position by virtue of a double defeat of Salisbury last Thursday night followed by successive victories until the place was clinched Sunday afternoon.

Eastern Shore League Standings

(Final Standings)

	W.	L.	Pct.
Federalsburg	83	37	.692
Cambridge	68	51	.571
Dover	62	51	.521
Centreville	62	60	.508
Salisbury	59	59	.500
Easton	51	68	.429
Milford	48	69	.410
Pocomoke	43	75	.364

Moundsman

Harold S. White, Jr.

Red Sox Hurler Was Swimming Star At College

Bud White Set Records As Natator. Pitched No-Hitter Here

Harold S. (Bud) White, jr., Red Sox pitcher who entered the Eastern Shore League Hall of Fame when he turned back the Salisbury Indians without a hit or a run at the Queen Anne's Park August 20, is equally well known in his native Maine as a baseball pitcher and as a swimmer.

White was the second pitcher to hurl a no-hitter in the Shore League this season, the otheralso being a Red Socker, Harold Brosnan. White's game was nearly perfect. Only two visitors reached first, one on an error and the other by the hit-batsman variety.

Born at Auburn, Maine on May 10, 1917, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. White, the future pitching star graduated from the Edward Little high school in his home city where he won school letters for three years in baseball and swimming.

Hethen entered Bowdoin College at Brunswick, Maine, majored in Economics and graduated in June of this year. He put in four years of baseba', three of swimming and two at track to round out a thorough athletic career. In addition he twirled for the East Auburn Tigers and the Wasumbo Indians in summer baseball, the latter team winning the semi-pro divisional championship of northern New England.

At swimming White particularly excelled. He has held the free style dash record in the New England Intercollegiate Swimming Association for the past three years. He also holds Maine amateur dash records and his high school records still stand.

In the Eastern Shore League White has won honorable mention in the All-Star selections.

Three Hurt In Delaware Crash

Margaret Rhodes Taken To Eaton Hospital

Three Queenstown residents were injured, one possibly seriously, in an automobile collision on the Delaware State Highway between Laurel and Delmar, Delaware, Tuesday. The injured were Mrs. Kennard Rhodes, her son Kennard Rhodes, jr., and her daughter, Miss Margaret Rhodes.

Mrs. Rhodes and her son were shaken up and received laecrations and bruises. Miss Margaret Rhodes suffered a broken nose, a severely lacerated eye and a possible skull fracture. She was removed to Easton Emergency Hospital.

Involved in the accident were James Seeley and Eugene Barnwell of Rocky Hill, S. C., students at Princeton University, who were driving north. The students were behind another car on a long straightaway when the car ahead suddenly slowed up.

Seeley, driver of the car, pulled to the left in an endeavor to prevent a collision with the car ahead. In so doing he crashed head on into the Rhodes' car. Seeley and his companion were injured slightly and Seeley was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

Mrs. Keating, Son, Reported Rescued At Sea

Passengers On Ill-Fated Athenia Returning On American Vessel

Passengers on the ill-fated British liner Athenia which was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off the Hebrides early Monday morning, Mrs. Thomas J. Keating, jr., and her 21-months-old son, Thomas J. Keating, III, of Green Lots Farm, have been reported rescued and aboard the United States Maritime Commission cargo vessel City of Flint headed for the United States. Mrs. Keating is the wife of Thomas J. Keating, jr., prominent Centreville attorney, and daughter-in-law of Judge and Mrs. Thomas J. Keating.

With her son she was returning from a four months 'visit with her parents in Scotland. They were among the 109 Americans reported rescued by the City of Flint. The craft also picked up 112 survivors not American citizens.

The Athenia, Donaldson liner, was sunk by an outside explosion 200 miles northwest of Ireland while en route from Liverpool to Montreal. She carried 1,347 passengers and crew, including 311 American citizens, practically all of them travelers hastening to get home following the outbreak of war between Germany Great Britain and France. The vessel was rated a middle sized liner which would ordinarly carry many fewer than the nearly 1,400 aboard except for the emergency of the exodus from Europe.

The explosion and subsequent shelling by the German undersea boat resulted in a nurber of deaths, estimated variously from forty upwards but as yet not definitely known. About 200 of the survivors suffered from shock and exposure.

The Athenia was moving along with lights out when the submersible appeared lees than a quarter of a mile away and discharged a torpedo which penetrated the boiler room of the liner. Most of the passengers had retired for the night. Capt. James Cook, master of the Athenia, asserted that after the torpedo was fired the submarine rose to the surface and shelled the vessel.

The Athenia remained afloat for more than an hour before filling and going down by the head. A plentiful supply of lifeboats permitted all the passengers to be taken from the ship. Most of those rescued were scantily clad in pajamas or other light clothing, scores were without shoes. They passed as much as twelve hours in the open lifeboats before the fleet of rescue craft picked up the last boatful.

Winchester Smith Held For Murder

Two Charges Result From Auto Deaths

Winchester Smith, 62, of Queen Anne, was held without bail on two charges of murder before Magistrate J. Elmer Anthony in Police Court Friday afternoon. Smith, operator of a beer saloon at Willoughby, was arrested as the driver of an automobile which struck and fatally injured Betty Sewell, 9, and Peggy Buckel, 7 near the Oak Tree Inn at Grasonville on Friday afternoon, August 25.

Smith made no statement before the Magistrate. Witnesses for the State were Richard Sherreck, of Frederick, Medical Examiner Dr. Samuel P. Price, of Queenstown, and State Patrolman John C. Peroutka, who arrested Smith.

The children with Peggy Buckel's younger sister, were returning from an errand in Grasonville when Smith's car left the road and plowed into the group. Betty Sewell and Peggy Buckel received injuries from which they died shortly afterwards at the Easton Emergency Hospital. The younger Buckel girl escaped.

GOES TO BALTIMORE

Pitcher Lloyd Gross, six-foot right hand moundsman who starred with the Centreville club of 1937 and who has made an exceptional record with the Moultrie, Georgia, team this year, has been turned over to Baltimore by the Philadelphia Nationals, owner of the Moultrie club. Gross has notched 20 wins against 7 losses for Moultrie thus far this season.

County White, Colored Schools Start New Year

Centreville High School Not To Be Ready For Classes Until Thanksgiving. Pupils Enroll At Little Theatre. Will Use Elementary School, Armory

Their long summer vacation ended Queen Anne's county's boys and girls turned shining morning faces toward classrooms today, Thursday as the public schools, both white and colored, opened for the 1939-1940 school year. For the first time in county history the colored schools ,high and elementary, commenced work on the same day as the white schools and will have a school year of identical length.

Except for Centreville high school, the schools reopened under the same conditions a swhen they closed. The staff of the white schools is the same as last year and but one changes in the colored staff.

Centreville high school will be totally unfit for occupancy until nearly Thanksgiving Day, according to County Superintendent of Schools Franklin D. Day. Extensive alterations which will virtually transform the building are underway.

To meet the situation Centreville high school pupils will be enrolled today at the Little Theatre. Until the high school building is ready classes will be held at the Little Theatre, in the Centreville Elementary School and possibly in the Armory. Mr. Day says he has arranged for three rooms at the Little Theatre, two at the Elementary School and expects to secure three rooms at the Armory.

County teachers held professional and organization meetings Wednesday. The white teachers held their session at Centreville Elementary School. Mr. Day called the meeting to order and gave routine announcements. Mrs. Lola P. Brown, Attendance Officer, also spoke before the group after which Thomas E. Ferguson, State Director of Physical Edducation, gave an address on Relaxation.

At the organization meeting following Miss Nataline Walters was chosen president of the County Teachers' Association; Carter F. Hickman, vice-president; and Miss Mary Larrimore, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Mary S. Cooper was named delegate from the high group to the State Convention in October and Miss Gertrude Morgan representative from the elementary group. Nicholas Nides, retiring president, conducted the business session and installed officers.

A meeting of the high school coaches was held by Mr. Nides, county athletic director at which athletic plans for the coming year were discussed. Among other things it was agreed that an indoor mid-winter field day would be held again this year.

Speakers at the meeting of the colored teachers were Mr. Day, Mr. Ferguson and J. Walter Huffington, State Supervisor of colored schools.

Nearly 4 Tons Of Free Seeds Requested Here

Farmers Quick To Take Advantage Of Government Offer To County

Approximately 7500 pounds of free clover seeds have been sought by Queen Anne's county farmers in the early rush to take advantage of the offer of the U. S. Department of Agriculture to supply free seeds to drought areas to restock pastures injured by the adverse conditions of recent weeks.

Application are still coming in to the office of County Agent Mark Miller and will be received up to September 23.

Up to Tuesday the First and Seventh Districts have furnished the leading number of applications, partly because of the meeting at Sudlersville to explain the program. Similar meetings were held in Centreville Tuesday night and at Stevensville Wednesday night.

The bulk of the requests have been for red clover. Up to Tuesday the applicants had sought 6,073 pounds of red clover; 730 pounds of sweet clover, 450 pounds of timothy; 101 of alsike; 222 of alfalfa, 76 of vetch and 80 of crimson clover. The largest single request was for 400 pounds of red clover.

Under the terms of the Federal offer to drought areas, in which Queen Anne's county is included, free seeds will be given to farmers who are members of the soil conservation program up to a value equal to half their soil check. The seed must be planted this fall and must be sown on land seeded this spring. The only penalty on the offer is that if seed is not used as agreed twice its value will be deducted from the next soil payment.

Some eighty-five farmers attended the meeting at Sudlersville Friday night when the free seed program was explained, together with crop insurance and 1940 allotments. Ernest B. Brown presided at the session. The speakers were County Agent Miller and Paul E. Nystrom of the Extension Service at College Park.

Attend Country Life Sessions

County Group Hears About Rural Problems

A delegation from Queen Anne's county headed by Miss Helen Harner, Home Demonstration Agent, attended the annual convention of the American Country Life Association at Penn State Colege, State College, Pa., from Wednesday through Saturday of the past week.

The group also included Mrs. Algernon Carter and Miss Mary Larrimore, representing adult organizations of the county, and Miss Betty Coleman, Miss Kathleen Powell and Lee Stant of the Senior 4-H Council.

The Country Life Association concerns itself with the discussion of the problems, goals and methods for working for improvement of rural life. Approximately 600 delegates from twenty-two States attended the convention and some twenty-five rural organizations affiliated with the association were represented. On Thursday a national conclave of Homemakers clubs was held as part of the four-day session.

LARGER ALLOTMENTS

The Queen Anne's County Committee of the AAA will hold a session at the office of County Agent Mark Miller on Friday to hear requests from farmers who desire a larger 1940 allotment for wheat than that held at present. The Sitting will be from 9 a. m., until 5 p. m., and will be the only one this fall.

ENTERS McDONOGH

Ridgaway Perkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Perkins, left Sunday for the McDonogh School where he will be enrolled for the coming year. He is a graduate of Centreville high school in the 1939 class.

Ten Tried For Liquor Selling

Violators Given Hearings In Police Court

Ten persons accused of possession of intoxicating liquor for the purpose of illicit sale were gvien hearings before Magistrate J. Elmer Anthony in Police Court Saturday as State's Attorney B. Hackett Turner, jr., pushed his drive against bootleggers and other violators of Queen Anne's county liquor laws.

Clinton Baker, his wife, Lillie Baker, and William Whittico, jr., negro, all of Grasonville, waived hearings and were held under bond for the November term of Court.

Hiram Biscoe, Theodore James and William Handy, the latter two being negroes, pleaded not guilty but were found guilty. Each was fined $200 and costs, each appealed and was held for the November term.

Ernest Chew, negro, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to sixty days in the county jail.

Cases against Joel McGinnis, Thomas Coulter and Riz Conyer, negro were continued until Friday, September 20.

Following the hearings Biscoe was again brought before Magistrate Anthony and held under two peace bonds of $500 each. He was alleged to have threatened the lives of two State witness.

Epworth Council Has Watermelon Feast

A council meting of the Ingleside-Barclay Epworth League was held with the Rev. and Mrs. John W. Newman at the parsonage an Ingleside Thursday evening. After the business session a social hour of games was enjoyed followed by a watermelon feast.

Present were Misses Betty Spencer, Audrey Spencer, Mary Lee, Leona Ross, Ruth Phillips, Virginia Barker, Rebecca Morris, Mrs. Leon Ross and Edward Morris, Earl Clow, Franklin Cronshaw, Frank Walls, Elwood Walls, Jr., Samuel Wilson and Leroy Phillips.

DO YOU HAVE A SPARE ROOM FOR RENT FOR ABOUT FOUR DAYS

The Centreville Chamber of Commerce cooperating with Miss Helen Harner, Home Demonstration Agent, are compiling a list of available rooms in Centreville for visitors who plan to attend the four-day session of the Eastern Shore Fair, to be held here on Monday through Thursday, September 11, 12, 13,14. If you have a spare room or two, or if you are equipped to serve meals during these four days kindly communicate at once with Miss Harner, at the County Agent's Office, Commerce Street, Centreville.