Local Notes

NINE DEGREES below zero! Can you beat it?

PIERCE HEVELOW of Earlville, had a narrow escape while gunning. In climbing over a fence his gun was discharged, the load passing through the rim of his hat to the temple. The powder burned his face.

THE alarm of fire Tuesday morning was caused by a defective flue in the jail. The services of the local company were not needed as the fire was extinguished by the sheriff's family.

MRS. CHARLES BUPERT, of the Refuse Disposal Committee of the Woman's Civic League, has discovered a new method of using waste paper. She puts the paper in a tub of water until it is thoroughly saturated. She then rolls it up and lets it dry. These rolls of paper become quite hard and can be broken into any desired lengths and make an excellent substitute for kindling wood and fuel. We would advise our readers to try this experiment as it solves the question of disposing of the waste paper in a sanitary and economical way, and reduces the unsightly accumulation which now litters the streets.

FOR the month of January the snowfall totaled 23.2 inches, more than any previous year since the establishment of the local observation station. There were but 14 clear days during the month. Thirteen days were cloudy, four partly cloudy. Hail fell on the 12th and sleet on the 6 h, 7th and 28th, Sundog or mock sun was observed on Wednesday, the 16th, at 7 35 o'clock, lasting until 7.55 A M.

THE groundhog evidently made his appearance last Saturday, and has returned for a six weeks stay.

THE family of Lewis H. Wood, on Water street, were given quite a scare last Friday afternoon when the mantlepiece took fire The blaze was soon put out by Mrs. Wood. Walter Strong happened to be passing at the time, heard the alarm and went to her assistance, but he found he was not needed.

LENT begins this year February 13th, nearly three weeks earlier than it falls on some years.

LADIES' shoes for the autumn season will not be higher than 8½ inches, New England shoe manufacturers have decided. Colors shall be confined to gray, tan and black, the makers have decreed, to eliminate unnecessary embellishments. It was also agreed that cloth tops would be popular, as this method of manufacture would save leather.

AT the sale by Harry Clark, near Kenton, Wednesday 16 head of grade Holstein cattle sold for more than $3,000. The highest price was paid for a cow which brought $268. Several young heifers coming fresh sold for more than $200 each.

THESE are trying times for sheep and lambs. Julian Jones lost 5 nice lambs Monday night, while other farmers report serious losses. Robert Moffett & Son say they have received an unusually large number af cow hides.

THERE are 14 applicants for rural carrier at Worton. Examinations will be held in Chestertown tod-ay.

THE rapid movement of empty coal trains on the B. & O. Railroad on Sunday, as the result of the embargo by Fuel Administrator Garfield, resulted in frequent tie-ups for brief intervals. This was a godsend to many families in Sykesville. All of the cars contained more or less coal and when the trains halted men climbed into the cars and threw out the coal left in them when they were unloaded. In this way it is estimated from 15 to 20 tons of coal found its way into the bins of citizens who were practically without fuel. Two colored families secured three tons between them.

TWENTY-TWO hens owned by Mrs. H. W. Rutter, of near Marydel, paid a net profit last year of $54.57. They were kept in a plot of ground 72x51 ft. She sold from these 22 hens $75 44 worth of eggs and used $9.00 worth; she sold chickens for $35.89 and used $17 07 worth, a gross profit of $136 40. Her feed cost her $81.57, and this had to be hauled from Ridgley, a distance of several miles. These hens laid 2984 eggs last year.

ON account of the severe winter partridges, rabbits and other game are dying of cold and starvation. One farmer residing near Ellicott City found several quail frozen to death. Another found two rabbits in his cornfield almost dead from starvation. One farmer near Denton reports having about 25 rabbits in his barn which he caught in the woods, they being so numb with cold that they were unable to move. In this immediate section no game has been found dead from the extreme weather conditions. Several field larks and sparrows, however, have been found perished on the public roads leading to the town. It is believed, also, that quail and rabbits have perished for the want of food in this county.

AN overheated furnace last Saturday night was the cause of a $100,000 fire on Eutaw Place. Several nice homes were destroyed or badly damaged. Although the fire did not reach the home of Dr. John W. Lowe, brother-in-law of Mrs. Charles R. Twilley, it caused no end of confusion and disturbance there. Dr. Lowe, who had been confined to his bed for a week under the physician's orders, got up to investigate, and finding that the firemen were having trouble with the water plugs, desided that his family had better vacate. Neighbors offered aid and carried out the valuables in the dwelling, among them the wedding trousseau of Miss Katherine Lowe, who is to be married on St. Valentine's DAY to James Craig Elliott, of Charlotte, N. C., and the family canary bird. Sunday morning the trousseau was gradually collected from several different persons who had each taken charge of the different portion of the trousseau. After a diligent search the canary bird was found in the posseseion or little Sarah Brewington, 2332 Eutaw Place, who had cared for the bird since the fire. Mrs. Lowe's mother, Mrs. James Merritt, 75 years old, who was confined to her bed at the time of the fire, and who was taken to the home of a neighbor, has returned home, where she is recovering from shock.

HAVE you seen the exhibit of Fancy Brown Leghorns in W. T. Bramble's window? Five of the six laid Sundav. The latest improved feeding trough for poultry were being advertised.

P. M. BROOKS, proprietor of the Radcliffe Mills, sold two tons of buck-wheat from Wednesday until Saturday last week as a result of the "half-and-half" flour ruling.

SLEIGHS have been in demand, Davis & Satterfield sold 10 while H. S. Deford sold some he has had for years. Owners of autos have found quick sales for their discarded sleighs.

THE following receipt for "war cake" was obtained from Mrs. J. Hydie Thompson, who is an adept at making this delicacy. It has no eggs, nor milk, nor butter: 1 box of raisins, 2 cups brown sugar, 2 cups hot water, 1 teaspoonful cinnamon, ½ teaspoonful cloves, 1 teaspoonful salt, 2 tablespoonsful lard. Put all in pan and let boil five minutes. When cold add 3 cups flour, 1 teaspoonful soda dissolved in ½ cup hot water, bake 1½ hour in slow oven.

THE employes on the Ford are hemmed in Baltimore by the ice. They were put on a Hoover diet this week.

GALENA folks were made glad last week when a car load of coal arrived at the station. It was soon hauled away.

THE Marvel Package Co.'s basket factory was forced to suspend operations on last Thursday, due to lack of material. This firm has a quantity of timber hewn, both in Kent and Queen Annes but is unable to move same on account of the recent heavy fall of snow.

NEXT Tuesday is "pan-cake" day.

AUTOS have found it almost impossible to travel these days. Two large trucks loaded with overalls passed thru town Friday, but had to lay over a few days at Kennedyville. The Elkton bus has been "resting" for a week or more.

GEORGE BACON, janitor at the Chestertown high school, who has successfully grown tomatoes in flour pots in the school windows during the severe cold weather, has a grape fruit plant which he is cultivating with success, and he is making an effort to develop the fruit in the same manner. The plant, is the only one of the kind ever grown here, and is thriving nicely.

WASHINGTON COLLEGE moved into its administration building, William Smith Hall, last week. The original building was destroyed by fire two years ago. Recitations were held on the preceding Friday in the temporary rooms the college has been using, the change being made over Saturday and Sunday without any interruption. The new building was erected on the same foundation, and, with the exception of inside improvements, is similar to the first structure. Work of rebuilding started in the summer of 1917, and contracts called for the completion on May 1, 1917, but difficulty in getting materials and labor, slowed up the work. Dedication exercises will be held at the commencement in June.

GRANGE NOTES

The Pomona Grange was entertained by Still Poud at Betterton school Saturday, Jan. 26 Due, no doubt, to weather and road conditions the attendance was below average. Bro. James T. Anthony was a most welcome visitor. Resolutions pertaining to the farmer's interest approved by State Grange, were adopted. These will be sent on to Annapolis, which we hope to have passed as laws by the Legislature. Do your part Mr. Farmer, whether granger or not, and write to our representatives that you expect them to pass. It will mean dollars in your pocket. The tomato situation was then discussed. The majority thought it would be utterly useless for the canner to offer less than 50c basket: Matters of the most vital interest were discussed and its amazing that more farmers were not present when you think of it. If it were the interests of any other class of business being discussed the attendance would have been larger. I never go in a country store and see a pack of farmers keeping their dry goods box seats warm and growling about the farmer's condition that I don't feel like saying "you are the cause." Get into the Grange, co-operate and help push and watch things more. Stop being sinkers. Reports of subordinate Granges show them to be in a live, healthy condition. In place of the elaborate meals usually served, a luncheon of sandwitches, coffee and apples was served. Quite a few favorable comments were heard and we believe the other granges when their turn comes will follow suit possibly with some variations. Seven of the newly elected officers for 1918 being present were installed by Bro. Anthony. Bro. Edgar Pennington, our new master, made a most elegant speech. It showed he intends giving the best of his ability in his work. The past master, Bro. Wm. G. Smyth, gave a retiring address expressing his appreciation of the loyal support all grangers had given him. The literary program by the lecturer, Sister Kelly, was enjoyed by all: Piano duet, Mrs. Charles Brice and Sister Harris; Question, "What do you as father of your children to entertain them in the evenings?" Bros. Harry Williams, Arthur Harris, Dr. Scott and Arthur Brice; love songs, Sister Evelyn Harris; violin solos, Mrs. Burrell; reading, Bro. Nichols; piano solo, Sister Nichols; reading, Sister Clara Williams; nut culture, Dr. Scott

Jessie Taylor, who enlisted in Company E of the Maryland Guard, and has been training at Camp McClellan, has been given an honorable discharge because of physical disability and returned home last week.

Corporal William L. Starr, of Camp Meade, spent several days home with his parents at Galena last week.

Archie Clothier, brother of Mrs. Chas. J. Baxter, of Rich Neck, near town, is in the Aviation Corps of Uncle Sam's service in France.

Frank Simpers has been housed this week by sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Lambert and three children arrived from Panama Thursday after a stormy voyage of nine days. They report the weather hot at Panama. Mr. Lambert has business in Washington and came up for that purpose.

Noel Usilton, son of Jesse H. Usilton and wife, was operated on for appendicitis at Easton Hispital Wednesday.

The engagement of Clarence M. Newcomb, of Chestertown, and Miss Bertha V. Hackett of Still Pond is announced.

PERSONAL AND SOCIETY EVENTS IN KENT COUNTY

Rudolph Tull and wife, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Beck. Chestertown.

Mrs. Frank B. Hines and son, Frank, Jr., left Chestertown Wednesday to join Lieut. Frank B. Hines, at Anniston, Ala.

Sam'l G. Lee, one of Kent' best citizens, was stricken with paralysis Tuesdsy at his home at Fairlee. At this writing he is very much improved.

Samuel Wallis, manager of the Chestertown milk station, has sent in his resignation, same to take effect March 1.

Edgar Clark returned from the Proving Grounds this week sick with a cold.

Oscar Wilmer and Andrew Moore have returned to Philadelphia after spending a few days home with their parents at Betterton.

Wm. A. Crew, who has been working at the Proving Grounds, returned home Thursday quite sick.

T. Guy Owens has been suffering from an abscess on his arm.

Mrs. Thomas Caldwell, who fell on the ice about two weeks ago and hurt her back, is able to be down stairs again.

Harry Todd, who fell and crippled himself several weeks ago at his home in GALENA, is now able to be out on crutches.

Edw. W. Brattan says City Point, Va., may be in an out-of-the-way place, but the weather man found it this winter sure.

A letter from Miss Ida C. Bramble, who is in charge of a large ladies' college at Lynchburg, Va., says: "I enjoy the dear old NEWS from home. Virginia is all right, but not like the good old Maryland State." She further says that it requires all her thought to know how to serve these many meatless and wheatless meals to 700 hungry girls. It takes a Kent countian to do it.

State Councilor D. O. Wilson, of Oriole, Somerset county, visited Chestertown Council No. 177, Jr. O. U. A. M, Wednesday night and made quite an interesting address. Other speeches were made by Councilor Wm. F. Malin, Vice-Councilor Wm. B. Coleman, C. N. Satterfield and W. T. Bennett, after which the members were served with oysters, etc., at Abe Robinson's restaurant.

H. N. Baldwin spent the week-end with friends at Aberdeen, Md.

Bates Hendrix and Gilbert Hadaway left on Sunday afternoon for Baltimore, where they will be employed building warehouses for the Government.

Wm. A. Kearney, of Wilmington, is the guest of friends in Chestertown.

Miss Sara Tucker gave a very enjoyable "Rook Party" at her home on Monday evening last.

Mrs. Wm. H. Worden fell on the ice in front of the Variety store one day last week and injured herself quite severely.

Mrs. James Bramble is confined to his home with rheumatism.

Miss Ida Jester, of Wilmington, spent a few days last week the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jester.

Harvey Blyman visited friends at Elkton on Sunday.

Horace Reed has been enjoying a vacation and visiting in Washington the past week. Harvey Boggs, of Clayton, Del., substituted as engineer last week in Mr. Reed's place.

Bennett Gettshall, of Wilmington, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Bennett the past week.

Wm. H. Brown was taken sick Tuesday morning while engaged in his duties at the Chestertown postoffice. He was removed to his home on Queen street and at last reports his condition was much improved.

Mrs. Miriam Sheppard Davidson has been invited to sing and be a guest at the Oscar Saenger Recital, New York, next Tuesday, Feb. 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Holliday, of Wilmington, Del., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Embert.

Miss Anna Jones visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Pinder, of Worton, last week.

Phillip Sewell, of Chester, Pa., visited friends in town for the week-end.

Maude Eleanore, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence E. Duyer, had the misfortue to be severely burned last Wednesday night.

Miss Sarah Seney, of near town, spent the week-end in Wilmington.

Miss Ada Schrieber has resigned as clerk for Mr. F. A. Hurlock and has taken a position as secretary to Edgar P. Beck.

Messrs. Wm. T. Duyer, Fred. T. Robinson, Harvey Blyman and Eli Elliott left on Sunday afternoon for Baltimore, where they have been employed on Government work.

S. J. Coleman left on Friday for Chester, Pa., where he has been employed as a watchman at the Chester Shipbuilding Plant.

Henry Gill, of Chester, Pa., formerly of Chestertown, has taken a position on the Delawarean, at Dover.

Samuel Vannort, one of Chestertown's aged and most prominent citizens, was run into by a sleigh while crossing High street last Friday and slightly injured, sustaining a cut on the head.

Miss Lucilie Parr, of Still Pond, was the guest on Monday of Mrs. Charles F. Wheatley, on Mill street.

Thomas Dixon, one of Uncle Sam's boys in the Signal Corps Service, enjoyed a brief furlough at home last week.

Capt. Gault Applegarth, of the U. S. Engineer Corps, spent Saturday and Sunday in town with his famly.

Wm. Newnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Newnam, of near town, has enlisted in the Aviation Corps and is now on his way to Fort Hancock, Ga.

Graham Nelson left on Sunday afternoon for Baltimore, where he is to work on a Government job.

Miss Mary Rouse, principal of Kennedyville school, was compelled to close last week, the result of frozen pipes, and spent the week the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rouse.

Jos. Schauber, of Philadelphia, spent a part of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Schauber.

Miss Singluff, of Baltimore, is a guest of Mrs. Hope H. Batroll.

Mrs. Zed Collins, of Centreville, has been a guest of Mrs. R. H. Collins.

George D. Loffand is suffering with severe boils on his neck and head. He went to the hospital Wednesday for special treatment.

James T. Anthony is a guest of his son, Townsend Anthony, near Kennedyville.

Master A. Parks Rasin, Jr., was severely cut in the head with a piece of glass on Thursday of last week.

Clarence Coleman, whe left here several months ago and has been employed in Wilmington, is quite sick at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harvey Boggs, in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Dixon, of Green Point, Kent county, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son on February 2, 1918, at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, the residence of her father.

Misses Dora Hodgkins, Susie Vansant and Esther Bauchamp have entered Bescom Business College at Wilmington, Delaware.

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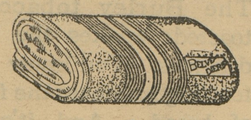
SALE ON BED BLANKETS NEXT WEEK

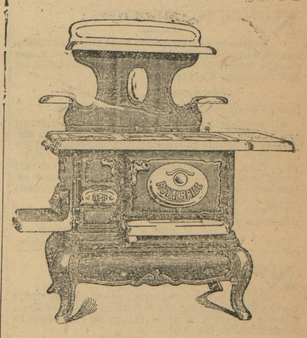
Pretty Plaids  Woolen Blankets

We will give our people the benefit of some low prices on good Bed Blankets.

Large wool-nap Bed Blankets $2.90
The pretty Plaids, soft and heavy $3.90
Extra value in Plaid Blankets $4.90
Better Quality Blankets at $7.90, $8.90

Early purchasers will buy the cheapest. Blankets are scarce on the market this season.

THE BRIDE RANGES



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Prices, $27.50, $32.50, $37.50.

Inventory Sale on Lots of Good Merchandise

Ladies' 25c Black Hose, sale	18c	$1.00 Cocoa Foot Mats	69c
5c Guaranteed Safety Pins, dozen	3c	40c Galv. Oil Cans	25c
10c Pearl Buttons, dozen	5c	50c Agate Water Buckets	29c
15c Tooth Brushes, good	10c	20c Curry Combs	12c
10c Scrub Brushes, extra	5c	20c Large Agate Spoons	10c
5c Ink Writing Tablets	3c	Lot Good Tea Spoons, each	2c
6c White Envelopes, pkge	3c	Agate Wash Basins	10c
Paper Napkins, 100 for	19c	Lightning Mouse Traps	2c
Bed Sheets, seamed	98c	Oak Frame Mirrors	10c
Bed Sheets, full	$1.25	Brass Curtain Rods	10c

GOOD 22c BLEACHED MUSLIN, yard wide, sale 18c
COTTON 10c ROLLER TOWELING, on sale 7½c
PRETTY NEW PLAID DRESS GINGHAMS, on sale 25c
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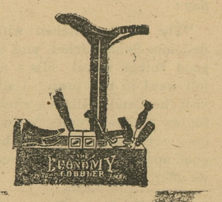
HEAVY MILK PAILS

Lisk's Heavy Dairy Pails, large size, now on sale 50c.



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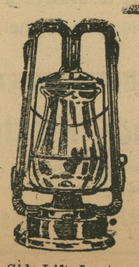
Cobbler Sets, complete with all the fittings, for home cobbling, only 49c.

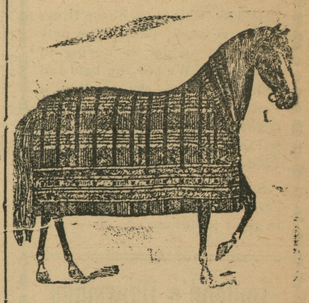
GOOD LANTERNS AT 49c



Tubular Side-Lift Lanterns on sale at only 49c.

Better Lanterns at 75c, 98c, $1.25.

Auto Robes and All Wool Horse Blankets



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Fine Auto Robes in the all wool and plush. Prices $4.50, $7.50, $10.00 $15.00.

Large Horse Blankets, "all pretty plaids." Prices $2.50, $3.50, $7.50, $11.50.

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