Local Notes

**The mercury was down to 10 degrees Saturday and 50 degrees on Sunday.

**The average yield of tomatoes in the second district is said to be 5 tons per acre

**It is estimated that there are 6,000 tons of hard coal burned in Chestertown every year.

**The school committee at Galena have decided to advertise for bids to construct their new building this year.

**Senator Brown has introduced a bill to construct and maintain a macadam road from Pomona to Chestertown. Now for action.

**Andrew Downie, owner of the La Tena Wild Animal Shows, now wintering in Havre de Grace, has purchased the well-known Walter L. Main's shows and will combine the two shows.

**An expert custom tailor will be at the store of Vansant & Newsome, Friday and Saturday, March 8 and 9 upon which dates they will hold their spring opening of men's tailored-to-measure clothes.

**The seventh annual Farmers' Institute for colored farmers of Kent and Queen Ann's counties will be held Thursday and Friday of next week, March 7 and 8, in Janes M. E. Church, Chestertown.

**At the Lyceum next Friday night Donald C. Thompson's thrilling war pictures direct from the trenches in Europe will be shown. War as it really is will be shown. Two performances 7.30 and 9. See adv.

**A pie social was given in the assembly room of the Chestertown High School, on Friday evening for the benefit of the athletic association. Twenty-two pies were sold and $45 was realized. One pie sold for $4 —owned by Miss Ollie Kent.

**In another column will be found the notice of an important meeting at Easton to be held March 14th and 15th. If you wish to learn how to operate and take care of a tractor here's a fine opportunity. The school is free and moving pictures will be shown of an instructive character. Adv. on 4th page.

**Unique invitations have been issued by the School Improvement Association of Betterton School as follows:

Hello, Folks at Home:

There will be a real, Hooverish box social in the assembly room of the school on next meatless day (Tuesday) at 7.30 p. m. If you have good teeth, a small amount of cash, absolutely nothing else to do, and want a good time, COME OUT and MEATUS!

Three FREE things are promised: Free Air (Hot), Free Drinks and a Free Program, but the ladies' boxes will go to the highest bidder, and proceeds used for the new lights just installed.

Signed, School Imp. Asso'n.

**H. B. Rote, the High street jeweler, recently received for a prospective bridegroom two emerald and diamond rings, valued at $350 each.

**Capt. C. R. Neal, who represents Roberts Bros., of Baltimore, was in Kent recently and says his firm is offering 50 cents per basket for tomatoes. Mr. Neal has contracted for the above price in a section of Queen Anne's county.

**Several loaded oyster boats left Chester river the past week for Baltimore. They proceeded as far as the mouth of Chester river where there was such a jam of ice that they were forced to return. Capt. George Mason, a veteran sailor, says he never saw such a mass of piled ice and that it is absolutely impossible for vessels to get through. He says it is eight or ten feet thick. The Joppa opened up a path and some got thru.

**The muskrat hunters of this locality state that are in fine condition and good prices are realized. Clay Lusby sold 40 hides Saturday for 85 cents a piece. As many as 20 rats at a time were caught by a Broad Neck trapper last week. James Everett has caught 600 rats this season.

**Engineer Browning, who has been in charge of this section of State road work, with headquarters in Chestertown, has resigned, and Arthur Shure has been appointed in his place. He will have his headquarters in Chestertown, and will have jurisdiction over Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot and Caroline counties.

**The explosion reported Saturday night by residents in many sections of lower Kent and of a number of towns on the Eastern Shore was shock caused when several hundred tons of red hot slag were unloaded into the waters of Bear Creek by employes of the Bethelhem Steel Company at Sparrows Point. The shock was terrific. Houses here and at Rock Hall were shaken. Residents ran from their residences believing the explosion had occurred very close to their homes. The Sparrows Point officials were surprised that the report should have been felt on the Eastern Shore.

**A large service flag with 12 stars has been flung to the breezes from the windows of the Chestertown Masons by Chester Lodge No. 115, A. F. & A. M., of which S. Scott Beck, Esq., is Master. The twelve stars in this flag represent the twelve Masons from this Lodge who are now in the service of the United States and doing what they can to free the earth of the barbarous Germans. The twelve young men are: J. Thomas Kibler, Frank B. Hines, Earl A. Stafford, H. L. Lemon, Frank A. Medford, W. Taylor Medford, Charles G. Hines, Donald Stam, T. Herbert Skipper, John H. Clendaniel, Jr., Wm. C. Spielberger, and Earle Jones.

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**Fairlee Grange held its special meeting Wednesday, February 27th. Business was called to order by Worthy Master Mahlon Lee. Three new members were obligated—Talmage Strong, Henry Richardson and Miss Strong. Supper was served at six o'clock. After supper all spent a very pleasant hour in social intercourse, and a fine program, prepared by our Worthy Lecturer, Mrs. Tilghman Hudson, was rendered.

**The appearance of wild geese and wild ducks in the fields of Kent's farmers has been unprecedented. Thomas Davis, of Riverside, says that the fields seem to be black with ducks. In Frank Skirven's field, near town, a blind was made of corn shocks and fine sport enjoyed by some town men. As many as 13 fat geese were killed.

Walter Allen, a farmer, living two miles below Cecilton, with his brother and a neighbor erected a "blind" and one morning recently bagged 18 geese with the contents of their three double-barreled guns. This is probably the high record for goose shooting in the fields. Several geese were sent to friends in Middletown, and were pronounced to be in fine condition.

One morning last week, R. Hynson Rogers, Esq., who resides on the river front, was awakened by a noisy commotion at his bedroom window. U pon opening the window blinds he was surprised to see five fine wild geese, poised as if preparing to descend in his yard and so close that he could distinctly see their eyes.

**The well-known Perry Point farm, just across the river from Havre de Grace, in Cecil county, containing between 600 and 700 acres of land, has been purchased by the Atlas Powder Company, of Wilmington, Del., as the agent of the United States Government, the papers having been signed closing the deal Saturday, the price paid being $155,000.

This farm belonged to the Stump family for one hundred and nineteen years, having been purchased by John Stump in 1799, and has been the home of his descendents ever since. Miss Alicia M. Stump and John Stump now occupying the old homestead. The owners of which were Judge H. Arthur Stump, of Baltimore, John Stump, Dr. George M. Stump, Mrs. Catherine McGraw, Mrs. J. R. Boswell, Miss Alicia M. Stump, and several nieces. The plant will be used by the Powder Company during the war for the manufacture of ammonium nitrate, an ingredient of explosives, but at the end of the war will be used for commercial purposes. The erection of the plant will be rushed, and it is to be ready to begin operations July 1. About 1000 men will be employed in its construction.

ROCK HALL

Notwithstanding the bad traveling there was a large attendance at St. John's R. C. Church and the M. E. Church on Sunday.

The Coleman heirs have sold the old homestead to Mr. Overholtz, of Texas, for $1,450.

Rev. J. W. Prettyman, who has been on the sick list for nearly three weeks is improving.

C. Frank Wheatley has been housed for a week with la grippe. His sister, Miss Flora Wheatley, of Chestertown, has been here.

Mrs. John C. Wood and Miss Magdaline Sappington are housed from illness at their homes on the Island.

Mrs. Jack Joiner has been a sufferer from bronchitis for a month.

Chicken thieves have again made their appearance in the neighborhood. Some time ago they raided hennery of S. J. Wickes of seventeen or twenty good laying hens. The latest victim is Mrs Joseph Ryan, Jr. Some one relieved her of a hen the other night. She feels the loss very keenly as it was a pet, but has her plans laid for the next raid.

William T. Carter, of Shiloh, N. J., was a welcome visitor among relatives and friends here the past week.

William G. Hinds, who had been working at Magnolia, Harford county, returned home last week very ill.

Indiana Butler, a faithful old colored woman died suddenly at her home.

On February 22, Rock Hall Grange was the scene of a splendid Washington Tea. After the business meeting George (D. R. Downey), and Martha (Miss Araminta Brinsfield), with the guests appeared in the tableau, Christmas at Mt. Vernon. Nearly all of the ladies were in colonial attire, while especial attention must be called to the costume of Prof. Davis, Prof. Hubbard and Mr. Elwood Burgess. An interesting program of instrumental and vocal solos and duets and recitations interspersed with the Garner, edited by Miss Cora A. Moffett, was rendered that always attractive tableau, Home, Sweet Home, was well staged with Mrs. Edw. Parsons and Joseph Apsley as the old folks, sitting in a quiet reverie, dreaming of their absent soldier boy, Red Cross Nurse and married daughter. The tableaus "Ladies Aid," "All Important Question" and "Old Black Joe" were very much enjoyed by all. There is a regret that there were not more members of the Grange present. After the program all were invited to the dining room where cakes, doughnuts, cocoa, tea and apples were served.

Why Daily Papers Are Late.—Postmaster Bowers has been in communication with the Railroad Mail Service, through the Chief Clerk in Philadelphia, during the week in reference to the delay in the receipt of the Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York daily papers. A letter from the Chief Clerk, received by the postmaster on Tuesday, states that the delay is caused by the irregularities in the train service, a thorough investigation of which is being made by the proper authorities, and it is hoped that the trouble will be remedied within a very few days. The Railway Mail Service is making every effort to deliver the mails on time, but owing to the strenuous conditions incident to the war, train schedules have been so disorganized that it is difficult to remedy the delay.

County Meeting.—There will be a meeting of all Red Cross and Navy League Units at Eastern Shore Inn, on Monday, March 4th, at 2.30 p. m. All chairmen are requested to bring reports of Red Cross and Navy League work done during January and February. Reports are requested from Home Economics and Food Conservation Chairmen, all workers and those interested in the Defense Council work of the county are invited to attend. Short talks on the sale of Thrift Stamps will be given by Howard Turner, Chairman of the county for men and Mrs. W. W. Hubbard for the women on the Thrift Stamp drive. Music and tea. All interested are invited.

NEWSY TIDINGS FROM OUR BOYS

The "News" Will Be Glad To Mention Any Items of Interest You May Send About Your Soldier Lad —Let's Help Each Other In This Way.

A letter form Irving Sparks some where in France is of a cheerful tone. It says that he is happy and fat, works from 8 a. m. until 10 p. m., but doesn't know what to do when off duty. Hears lots of nice music good sermons and gets plenty of wholesome food. He receives the "Kent News" but has not yet gotten his Christmas box.

Corporal Schelberg, Sergeant-Major Hollingsworth, Prof. Charles Monzani and Edward F. Bowen, Dr. Cain's Secretary, have been examined for the draft.

Corporal George Biddle, Jr., of Camp Meade, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Biddle, of Crumpton, on Sunday.

Sergeant Floyd Brown, of the Marine Corps, spent a brief furlough at home last Sunday.

Charles G. Hines, who recently entered the Signal Corps branch of the service, spent Sunday with his mother in town.

The University of Virginia Hospital unit has been called into service. Frank Passwater, railroad agent at the Chestertown depot, and Galen Vansant, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Vansant, of this town, are members of the U. of V. Corps.

George R. Crowthers, of Washington College, passed examinations for the naval aviation corps last week and expects to be called any time.

M. R. H. Legg, formerly railroad agent at Chestertown, but at present holding a similar position at Laurel, Del., has enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Force and is scheduled to leave Laurel March 4th.

James L. Bacchus has been made a sergeant.

Harry Weslew Jarman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer S. Jarman, enlisted in the aviation corp and now at Waco, Texas. Last reports stated that he was in quarantine with the mumps. The above is his picture.

Gaylord Hurlock, son of the late Charles H. Hurlock, is with the regular army and stationed in the Base Hospital at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky.

Sergt. Major J. LeRoy Boyer, one of Rock Hall's boys, of the 166 Aero Squadron, Wilbur Wright Field, Fairfield, Ohio, has been transferred to the 365 Aero Squadron in the central department as an instructor at the David Ranken School of Mechanical Art, St. Louis, Mo.

Norris Stevens, one of Rock Hall's boys has been transferred from the Harvard University, at Cambridge, Mass., to the U. S. Naval Air Station, Miami, Florida.

William Medford McGinnis, formerly of Company F, 316th Infantry, but now attached to the U. S. Signal Corps, Washington, D. C., spent Sunday home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGinnis, near Tolchester. He returned to his post Sunday. He makes a fine looking soldier.

WEDDING NOTES

The wedding of Clarence Newcome, secretary of the Peerless Fertilizer Company, and Miss Bertha V. Hackett, of Still Pond, was solemnized at Elkton Thursday. They will reside in Chestertown.

The marriage of Edward, son of Mrs. Mollie Sewell, and Miss Grace Hyland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewin Hyland, of Rock Hall, in announced.

A license has been issued at Bridgeton, N. J., for the marriage of Millard Carter and Miss Jessie Sewell. They were school mates at Rock Hall and will reside at the former place where Mr. Carter is overseer on a farm

**The Moose held their annual dinner in Chestertown Wednesday night and about 40 enjoyed the rich feast of good things prepared in Lusby-Usilton style.

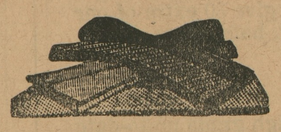
**The farmers who have finished husking corn this week are pleased at the excellent condition of the grain and more so at the price being offered.

WM. MEDDERS & CO. SPECIAL ATTENTION TO TELEPHONE ORDERS **WM. MEDDERS & CO.**

March Supplies

New Percales New Ginghams

For Early Spring.

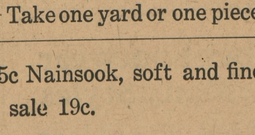


We have on display our new Spring line of Percales —beautiful assortments and fast colors. Pretty Ginghams are in abundance.

The 30c and 35c values are on sale at 25c.

Never had such a large line to offer, all purchased before the advance, and if you make your selections from these pretty goods you will really save good money.

Sheeting Muslin



Good Sheetings, 39c.

Better Sheetings, 49c.

Best Sheetings, 59c.

These Sheetings are now worth 10c yard more, and you will soon know it.

Baby Nainsook

Fine and soft—used for fine underwear—put up 12 yards in piece and value 35c yard; on sale 25c yd.

Take one yard or one piece.

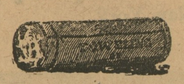
25c Nainsook, soft and fine, sale 19c.

25c India Linen Sheer Cloth, sale 19c.

25c Flaxon, of fine quality, sale 19c.

25c Fine Muslins, soft bleached cotton, extra quality, sale 19c.

Cotton Toweling, 7½c



Cheap at 10c to-day—this heavy Cotton Toweling; sale 7½c.

Bed Blankets

Many Extra Blankets will be in demand next week. We have a big stock.

Prices $1.50, $1.75, $1.98.

Better Blankets, on sale, $3.90, $4.90, $5.90.

March Supplies

On Sale Next Wednesday

Large 4-Quart Enamel Sauce Pans, with cover

Sale 19 Cents

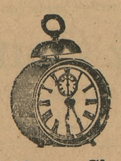
We have a lot of good Gray Enamel Sauce Pans, with cover, cheap at 50c each, and will go on sale next Wednesday for only 19c.

Do not overlook this sale and only one of these Sauce Pans to go to a customer.

This item is useful and will surely please you.

Take your choice—19c.

Wake-up Alarm Clocks



Good Alarm Clocks, and each guaranteed to run and keep good time or replaced with a new one.

Special Alarm Clocks 98c
Better Alarm Clocks.....$1.25
Best of all at.....$1.50 to $2.50

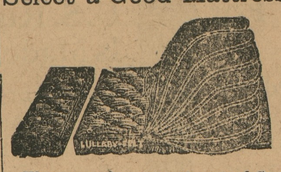
It matters not what the price—if the clock does not give satisfaction return it for a new one.

White Iron Beds

All White Enamel Beds are the best to use. Prices $4.90, $5.90, $6.90 up.

Guaranteed Bed Springs. Prices $3.90, $4.90, $5.90 up.

Select a Good Mattress



We carry a large assortment of Good Mattresses,

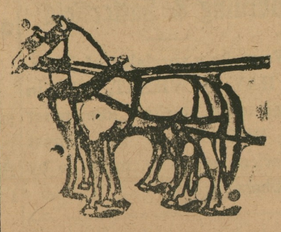
Prices $9.00, $10.00, $12.50 to $20.00.

Cheaper Mattresses at $3.90, $4.90 and $5.90.

Heavy Milk Pails, 50c

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

Wagon Harness At Old Prices



Double Heavy Wagon Harness, made with 1¼ inch traces, all clean stock; less breechings, extra heavy.

Horse Collars, Bridles, Lines, Traces and all sorts of useful things will be found here at big saving for spring.

March Supplies

CLOVER SEED

We are in a position to quote attractive prices on

FANCY RED CLOVER
FANCY ALSYKE
FANCY TIMOTHY
FANCY RED TOP

We make a specialty of nothing but the best in these seed. The highest tested seed both in purity and germination are the first things to consider.

A sample will cost you nothing, and our prices may save you much.

Phone us for quick service.

Spraying Season

CLOSE AT HAND

Spray your orchards—use "ORCHARD BRAND" Lime Sulphur Solution, made by the Thompson Chemical Co.

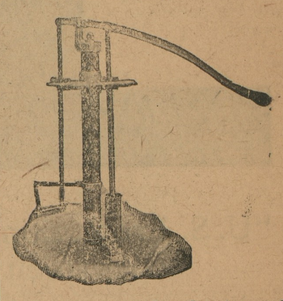
It will clean your trees of San Jose Scale and other insects. Make good fruit grow where you now raise poor fruit or none.

Cost is small and full information sent for the asking. It will pay you big profit to spray your trees with "ORCHARD BRAND" Sulphur Solution.

We are distributors for Kent county on "ORCHARD BRAND," and hope to supply you.

Call us on phone so we can enter your order to arrive and avoid delays in shipping.

We Sell the Eclipse Spray Pumps



These are the best and most economical spray pumps on the market, and are in use by all our large fruit growers.

We keep the full outfits ready for quick service, also the Repairs and Fittings.

Bamboo Spray Rods.
Eclipse Angle Nozzles.
Best Pressure Rubber Hose Fittings, all kinds & sorts.

Horse-Food Molasses

Now is the time to feed the Horse-Food Molasses for the best results.

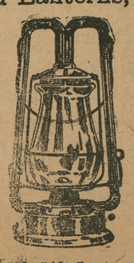
Barker's Horse and Cattle Powders

Barker's Horse and Cattle Powders, large package 12c.

Stewart's Horse Clipping Machine

Also Extra Knives, Knife Heads, Chains, and all parts to these Stewart Clippers.

Good Lanterns, 50c



Tubular Side-Lift Lanterns, on sale at 50c.

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