Local Notes

**Another big jump took place Friday, in the price of potatoes. Compared with 24 hours before, the market was up 25 to 40 cents a hundred weight at $4.75 for Northern whites, almost equal to the highest record ever touched in Chicago.

**A meeting will be held next Monday afternoon at the Red Cross Chapter House, Chestertown, for the purpose of forming an alliance of all charity organizations. Every society that dispenses charity is invited to send a representative.

**A meeting was held at the Chestertown Elementary School Friday of the patrons and it was decided to serve hot lunches to the children from the country at a nominal cost. Miss Fannie Stuart and Miss Annie Copper will have charge of the inauguration of this movement.

**Howard C. Jones has purchased land in Fairlee and will shortly build a public garage upon it for the accommodation of the general public. He expects to be ready for business by April.

**Now is the time to place your order for sure spring delivery of a Dodge Bros. car. See A. S. Turner & Sons.

**The fine skating on Chester river has continued all this week and all farmers who desire ice have been enabled to fill their ice houses from the mill ponds.

**Massey & Kilbourne have purchased from the Noland-Bennett-Russell Company a large "Norwalk" truck for their use in their fertilizer business.

**John E. Barnes, census taker, in Chestertown, finished his work Tuesday. He does not think the town will show up as many people as in last census. The average family has only three compared to five in 1910. Chestertown had 2775 in 1910.

**C. A. Goodwin, the Ford dealer, has received the past week three tons of genuine Ford parts, also a carload of cars which are being delivered at once.

**An enlarged milk station is being built at Massey with double capacity of present plant. This is a fine dairy section and more attention is being paid to raising cattle each year.

**The coming in of an oil gusher or the discovery of a pocket of gold would bring no greater excitement than was seen in Millsboro last Friday when Edward Gordy's fishing crew brought in 180 pounds of rock fish and perch, for which they received $1,500, all made in one haul on the Indian river.

A short time later the crew, captained by William Steen, brought in a haul of eighty bushels, for which they received $600. The men broke the ice in the river near Sandy Landing and, putting down their nets, made the haul which netted them a small fortune.

Other fishing crews are making hauls netting them from $100 to $300, but the Gordy and Steen Crews made the record hauls of the week.

**Washington College won from Loyola College Wednesday night at Chestertown in a fast game of basket ball by score of 26 to 21. Tonight the University of Pennsylvania Reserves will play here at 8.15.

**Edw. Parsons is serving the Bennett milk route in Rock Hall.

**It is reported that Herbert Lusby and John Brice will be among the employes at Annapolis.

**Wm. Bennett and Wm. Henry have formed a partnership to carry passengers by auto any reasonable distance.

**Miss Ross, of the Y. W. C. A. will be at the Red Cross Chapter House, Chestertown, today at 2.30 p. m. and will be glad to meet all interested in Y. W. C. A. work.

**The News has received beautiful calendars from J. D. Bacchus, Goldie Warren, Massey & Kilbourne, T. W. Perkins, J. W. Crouch & Son, Rev. W. A. Melvin, J. G. Beck, American, F. A. Hurlock, Kent County Savings Bank, Hercules Powder Company.

**Gunners at the ducking shores have been having fine sport during the past week. Three gunners at the Ringgold Point shore, last Friday, bagged 40 fine ducks, 30 of which were canvasbacks.

**The Kent Mutual Fire Insurance Company is the only insurance company in Kent which pays dividends to its policy holders. During the past year $12,950 has been paid to policy-holders who cancelled their policies brought about thru change in ownership, etc., while $12,928 was credited to the policy-holders now on the books. The losses by fire for the year 1919 only amount to $843. It has been a remarkable year for this excellent company.

The Washington College Y. M. C. A. will continue its discussions Sunday evening, January 18, at 6.30 when Dr. Sehrt will speak on the subject, "Impressions of a trip through Egypt and Palestine." Dr. Sehrt is a very interesting and instructive speaker and his observations on foreign life and manners are ably presented in his travel talks. The public is cordially invited. Last Sunday Dr. Gould talked very persuasively on The League of Nations, arguing for immediate and unalterated ratification. It is hoped to have the negative side presented in the near future. Miss Rouse sang very acceptably and Prof. Ten Hoor with the accompaniment of Miss Russell rendered his usual charming violin selection.

School Notes.—Mrs. Eden Bryden, who taught at Broad Neck has been made principal of the Piney Neck school. Misses Marvel K. Ashley and Vera Stevens have been appointed to the other two vacancies in Piney Neck.

Marion Vansant is acting as Principal of the Golt school. Miss Mildred Sutton has resigned her school at Coleman and been appointed to the Chesterville school.

Miss Margaret Elliott has been appointed to the vacancy in the Fairlee school caused by the resignation of Miss Linda Morris. Miss Frances Willson has taken charge of the school at Lankford in place of Miss Elliott.

Miss Ruth Walls has been appointed to Melitota in place of Miss Stevens who went to Piney Neck.

Miss Helen Poor has been appointed to Mill Branch in place of Miss Ashley who went to Piney Neck.

Miss Martha R. Pennington has been made principal of Millington High School in place of Prof. Coe who has resigned.

Miss Fannie I. Edwards, teacher of No. 10 school, has had a piano put in her school for benefit of scholars.

**John E. Morris sold his crop of Golden Beauty corn to the New Jersey seed man at $1.70 per bushel.

**Sweet potatoes have taken another jump in price and are now selling for $2.15 per hamper, with a steady and brisk demand.

Big Money In Muskrat Hides.—During the first twelve trapping days of the season for catching muskrats G. Lester and Isaac G. Cleaver who reside with their father near Fennimore's Bridge, caught 459 muskrats, which netted them in cash $1240. The lowest price realized for the hides was $2.00, while on Monday of last week they sold 196 for $588 or $3.00 each. This is the highest price ever realized by any of the trappers of that community for muskrat fur. The Cleaver brothers believe rats to be plentiful on their marsh which contains 325 acres, and they expect to catch at least 3000 rats before the close of the season on March 1.

It is possible for these two young men to sell $10,000 worth of hides and meat if they succeed in trapping 3000 rats.

OFFICERS ELECTED

The stockholders of The Kent-Queen Anne's National Farm Loan Association met at the law office of Sidney P. Townshend, in Chestertown, and elected the following directors: Milton P. Crew, James W. Brown, Theodore H. Wood, Charles C. Meredith and H. Theodore Jewell.

Milton Crew was re-elected president, Mr. Brown, vice-president, and Sidney P. Townshend, secretary, treasurer and attorney.

This association was organized through the efforts of Mr. Townshend about the 5th of July, 1919, and so far loans aggregating $81,900 have been closed and there are pending applications for over $40,000, showing that this association is performing a function very much needed by the agricultural interests of the two counties. It stands ready and anxious to render assistance to any and all farmers alike.

Lesson In Seed.—Some months ago a well-known farmer of near Kennedyville shipped a quantity of white potatoes to a commission merchant in one of the Northern cities. This farmer afterwards missed his pen knife and thought he had lost it in one of the barrels of potatoes. Later, having occasion to order some seed potatoes, he wrote to the same commission merchant to ship him a barrel of his best. The grower received the potatoes in due time, and upon opening the barrel found his lost pocket-knife among the very same potatoes he had shipped months before, and for which he had received something like $1.50 a barrel. The grower was at least glad to get his pocket-knife back.

Another incident is told of a certain seed corn buyer who came to Kent county last year and bargained with farmers to grow seed corn, which the dealer furnished for a certain price per barrel, agreeing to take all the corn. He paid the growers a few cents above market price, took the corn to another part of the country, sold it at a very fancy price, and it is reported that his profits were so large last year that he paid the United States government an income tax of $40,000.

GRANGE NOTES

Next Wednesday there will be an installation of officers at Fairlee Grange. J. T. Anthony is expected to assist. Supper at 5 o'clock.

The Still Pond Farmers Club met at Harry Williams on January 23rd. E. A. Corey was re-elected president and A. L. Harris, secretary, for 1920.

The report of Mrs. Williams in regard to a Hospital for Chestertown was favorably received. The following question caused quite an interesting discussion. Why do women marry when there are so many better chances open to them in business? Some said they married because they did not have any better sense. Some said home is stronger than reason. Some said it was human nature and they could not help it. Others that they married because it was the custom of their fathers and grandfathers. Some of the women said they had looked thoroughly over the field and made the best selection of a husband from the bunch while others had picked him out the very first time and were sure they had gotten the right one.

The next question was a more serious one. How can we farm so as to use less labor and fertilizer while the price is so high? More grass and less grain was suggested. It was considered necessary to keep farm accounts to realize the cost of growing crops and to be able to answer this question.

The next meeting will be held at J. Leonard Price's Thursday, January 29th. Lime will be the principal subject for discussion at that meeting.

A community mass-meeting to celebrate the Prohibition Amendment which goes into effect on January 16 will be held at Christ M. P. Church on Sunday evening at 7.30.

Personal : : Paragraphs

Walter S. Trew, of Chestertown, is visiting Florida, Cuba and other warm countries.

A. S. Turner attended the funeral of Mrs. M. M. Carr at Aberdeen Thursday. Mrs. Carr died suddenly while on her way to church Sunday. Mr. Carr was manager of the cannery at Lynch.

Miss Hettie C. Hicks has been appointed superintendent of the new Dr. Pitman Hospital at Fayettesville, N. C. This hospital has just been opened. Miss Hicks' sister, Emily, married T. S. Tolan, of the same place.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis K. Stam announces the arrival of Louis Kent Stam, Jr., January 9, 1920, at Jacksonville, Fla., weight 6½ pounds.

W. W. Beck, Esq., was at his office Wednesday greatly improved.

H. W. Vickers, Esq., attended the inauguration of Gov. Ritchie Wednesday.

Edward Jones, of Philadelphia, visited his parents in town this week.

Marvel Seney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Seeney, who has been in hospital for special tretament, has returned home very much improved.

Mrs. W. Robert Huey entertained a few friends at her home on Mt. Vernon Place, Tuesday evening, in honor of her birthday anniversary.

Dr. G. Allan Jarman returned Saturday from Ashville, N. C., where he had been called to the bedside of his son, Frank, who is critically ill in the government hospital there. He found his son slightly improved.

Mrs. Flemming, of Philadelphia, is spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. William Brice, at Betterton.

Little Kemp Brice, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Lewis.

Miss Hill, of Stevensville, Kent Island, is spending sometime with Mrs. Harvey Bramble, near Galena.

Miss Laura Thomas, who was operated on at Easton Hospital in September for gall stone, was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, Wednesday morning for a second operation.

Mrs. Wallace DuHamell, who has been visiting friends in New Jersey, returned to her home on Saturday.

James Fowler, of Virginia, is visiting his brother, William Fowler.

Lambert Plummer is still at Easton Hospital and but little improved.

Friends tendered to Miss Alice Wood a linen shower on Monday evening and several delightful hours were spent.

James Rodney was taken to Baltimore last Sunday to consult a physician for his health. He was accompanied by his wife.

Mrs. Walter Wirts, of Rock Hall, is in Easton Hospital since Wednesday and is reported as better.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hogans, of Rock Hall, welcome the advent of a son, now a week old.

Mrs. Alvin Coleman and son, Alvin, Jr., are visiting at the home of her parents in Annapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Barclay Kilbourne are entertaining Eugene Walters and Maurice Cecil, of Howard county, relatives of Mrs. Kilbourne. These gentlemen have been enjoying the sport duck-shooting, as the guests of the Ringgold's Point Club.

Mrs. Sutherland, wife of U. S. Senator Sutherland, has issued invitations for an at home on Thursday, January 15, from 4 to 7 o'clock, at her residence, 2119 Connecticutt avenue, Washington, in honor of Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard.

H. Sachs and daughter, Miss Lillian are visiting at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Gabriel Hines, at Delaware, Ohio.

George C. Perkins, wife and son, left Kent Tuesday for Phenix, Ari., where they will take charge of a ranch.

Miss Hope Wickes has been in Easton Hospital for special treatment.

E. W. Keeler, who recently sold his farm property over the river to C. F. Parks, has gone to Florida. He says he will tour the country before settling down.

Mrs. C. F. Crow has been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Landin in New York.

Harry Rash was injured in the eye one day last week by a calf.

Mrs. Annie E. Massey is quite sick at the home of her son, Paul C. Massey, near Chestertown.

A wedding shower was given Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. King at their home in Cecil. Friends from Galena, Sassafras, Cecilton and Warwick were present and the happy couple were the recipients of many handsome and useful presents.

Noted Occasion.—Dr. J. E. Graham and wife observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage at their home on South Front street, Chestertown, Sunday afternoon. Every member of the family was present to celebrate the occasion, and the event was a happy one.

William H. Brown, senior clerk in the Chestertown postoffice, and his wife observed the 41st anniversary of their marriage Thursday.

Mrs. A. M. Bowers quietly observed her 80th birthday anniversary, Saturday. She was the recipient of numerous gifts and a shower of postcards. The Mite Society of Christ M. P. Church met at her home on Monday evening and helped her celebrate.

Mrs. Amanda Massey, of Maple avenue, celebrated her 89th birthday Monday surrounded by her children consisting of Mrs. P. A. M. Brooks, Miss Minnie Massey, Herman B. and E. Thomas Massey. She was the recipient of a number of remembrances.

Announcement.—Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bell announce the approaching marriage of their sister, Julia Hansford, to Charles E. McChesney, formerly of Seattle, Wash., at their home January 22, 1920.

Attempted Hold Up.—While Jesse L. Sheppard, of Middletown, and his chauffer, James Walker, were returning from Middle Neck, two and one-half miles south of Middletown, at 7 o'clock Sunday night, a man attempted to jump on the running board of Mr. Shepherd's automobile, but a long overcoat that he wore caused him to trip and fall. Sandy Branch was the scene of the attempt. Thinking the fellow might be a highwayman, the motorists increased speed and escaped.

WORKSHOP OF BLIND BURNED

The workshop of the Maryland School for the Blind in Baltimore, a four-story brick building was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin early Saturday. Thousands of dollars worth of handiwork of the pupils was burned.

An officer of the institution, Lemont Hackett, estimated the loss at $200,000. The stock of Solomon Rosenbloom clothing manufacturer, in an adjoining building, was damaged by smoke and water to the extent of $75,000, Rosenbloom said.

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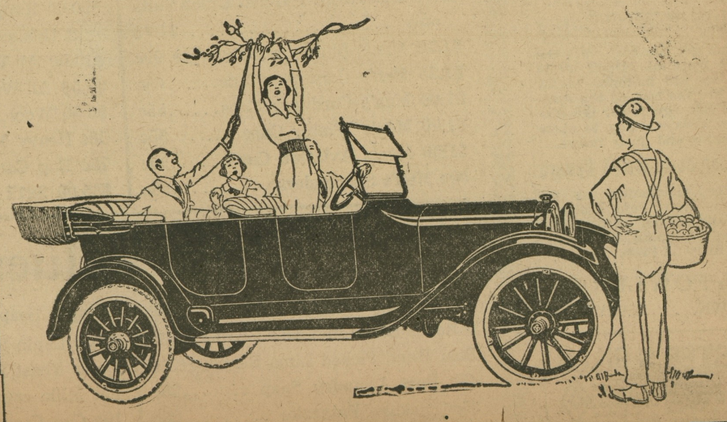

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