LOCAL HAPPENINGS HERE AND THERE

John D. Urie, Esq., attorney, has sold to Wm. Black a small farm of 29 acres near Edesville.

Miss Flora Wheatley cut two American Beauty roses from her yard on Queen street Friday that were prize winners. They found a place beside the sick bed of Mrs. Ralph W. Barnett who thoroughly enjoyed them.

At the meeting of the Chestertown Rotary last Monday night the address of the evening was made by Mr. W. Irving Walker and Prof. Clarke Fountaine was elected to membership.

One of the finest crops of late Irish potatoes was dug last week by James E. Allen, of Chestertown. He planted one basket of potatoes and harvested thirty-four tomato baskets. He used the special potato fertilizer of Massey and Wilmer, of Chestertown.

After capturing the counter soccer title by defeating Rock Hall last week 8 to 4, Chestertown was eliminated from the State title race when they fell before North East Tuesday 5 to 4. The game was played on the Cecilton High School field and drew a crowd of supporters from each of the contending schools. It was a hard fought game. By virtue of its win North East is entitled to meet Easton, winners of the Caroline and Talbot play off. The game will be played in Chestertown on next Monday.

A large barge broke from its mooring at the pier of the Peerless Fertilizer plant here during the severe wind storm last Thursday and is beached on the Queen Anne's shore.

Mrs. Sam Nickerson, of near Chestertown, has a flock of Muscovy ducks that are "mothering" a fine partridge. This partridge has been feeding with the ducks for some months.

A clinic for diseases of the chest will be conducted in Health Center, Chestertown, on Monday, December 5, 1927, at 10.30 a. m.

Strawberries picked from Wm. B. Stafford's lot in Queen Anne's was presented the News Thursday. A 2½ pound turnip was also raised on the same lot.

The suit of Mrs. W. B. Stafford, of Chestertown, for absolute divorce and alimony was heard Monday in Baltimore before Judge Stump. Her plea was denied and alimony refused. Thomas Healey, Esq., represented Mr. Stafford.

The Baltimore and Philadelphia Steamboat Company, operators of the Ericsson Line, between Philadelphia and Baltimore, are preparing to make application to the Maryland Public Service Commission for a franchise to extend their freight truck lines from Betterton via Chestertown to Centreville. For three years their trucks have been operating from Betterton to Church Hill, delivering freight from Wilmington, Philadelphia and Baltimore, and now an effort is to be made to extend the service direct to Centreville.

The annual meeting of the Maryland State Teachers' Association was held this week in Baltimore City. The Kent County Chapter of the State Association, of which Professor O. C. Blades, of the Chestertown High School is president was represented at the meeting by Professor Mark Creasy, Miss Katherine Watson, Miss Marie D. Bryan and others. Superintendent of Schools Louis C. Robinson and Elementary Superitendent, and Miss Esta V. Harrison also attended the meeting.

While driving in their automobile along a narrow road on Kent Island Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ringgold were thrown into a marsh when another automobile hit their machine. The other car bore a Delaware license and did not stop. Mr. and Mrs. Ringgold were not injured, but had considerable difficulty in getting their car back on the road. It was necessary to summon a derrick for that purpose.

A food sale conducted by the Ladies' Aid Society of Christ M. P. Church Saturday morning netted more than $65 which will be used for improvements now being made to the interior of the parsonage.

Several auto accidents have been reported but none serious.

Fire on Wednesday destroyed the barn on James V. Burgess' place in Piney Neck tenanted by Charles Beck. The Chestertown Fire Company prevented the house from burning.

A woods fire took place in T.N.Mc. Ginnis' woods at Tolchester Thursday. A small shed was burned.

Stanley B. Sutton, of Chestertown, has been announced as one of the winners in the 4-H leadership contest, for which the Farm Journal, of Philadelphia, offered prizes totaling $1,000. The award carries with it but $10 in money, but the honor is a high one, as there were entries in the contest from thirty-five States and Hawaii. Young Sutton placed fourth among the boys.

"CHURCH OF OUR FATHERS"

Christ M. P. Church is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founing of the Methodist Protestant Church. president of the Board of Stewards, read an article from the church paper by Dr. G. I. Humphries. At night "The Centennial Story of the Methodist Protestant Church," a narrative service by Miss Dorothy Elderdice was presented by Dr. N. O. Gibson, Mrs. Geo. R. Cannan, Miss Catherine Elliott, T. D. Bowers, C. N. Satterfield and little Miss Virginia Barnes. The rendition of hymns written by Methodist Protestant composers was also a part of the program including a duet by Mrs. T. D. Bowers and Miss Flora Wheatley. and a solo by Mrs. James H. Sides.

An offering will be taken Sunday as a Centennial Gratitude Gift and it is hoped to raise about $750.

Don't miss Nic Nacs of 1927" it's great! Lyceum Theatre, Chestertown November 28, 29, 30.

Henry C. Merchant and Mildred E. Stoops were married in Fairlee M. E. parsonage on November 19, Saturday evening, at 7.30, by the pastor, S. L. Hanby.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NOTES

Mrs. May M. Beck delightfully entertained about sixty persons at dinner on Saturday evening last at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Earle Nicholson, near Chestertown. The affair was in honor of Prof. and Mrs. Clarke Fountaine who recently moved to Chestertown from Pocomoke City.

J. Frank Blake, of the Peoples Bank, spent the week-end at his home in Child's, Md.

Mr. and Mrs Richard Carvel, of Washington, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Kratzer. Mrs. Carvel is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kratzer.

Mr. and Mrs. Polk T. Bramble visited Gettysburg, Pa., last week. They made the trip by automobile.

Miss Eloise Wickes is visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Lewin W. Wickes.

Miss Elizabeth Brown, of near Philadelphia, was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clay Brown.

Mrs. Harry Price, of Catonsville, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Ada Cranor.

Mrs. Rachel Parrott is visiting Miss Venie Bowers in Worton.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Robinson are guests of the former's daughter in Washington.

S. Frank Robinson who has been visiting his son in the West for some time has returned home.

Mrs. Ralph Barnett returned to Easton Hospital on Monday to have the cast removed from her limb.

Reports from Easton Hospital from Woodie Allen is that he is improving rapidly, and will return home in a week or so.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McIntire are visiting their son in Washington.

Ann and James Kreeger, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Kreeger, of Chestertown, were guests of relatives in Baltimore last week.

Mrs. Charles J. Reiche has been visiting friends in Washington the past week.

Mrs. Thomas Holdson was called to Baltimore Tuesday by the death of Mrs. J. Hubert Smith and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pinder, their two children and Mrs. Merchant are spending Thanksgiving in Baltimore.

Miss Lucille Tyler, of Cumberland, Md., is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Jennie Johnson, and sister Miss Helen Tyler.

ber 19th, at Fairlee parsonage.

Joseph Collins, of Denton, is the guest of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Collins.

Mrs. Joseph Walters was called to Cecilton Monday by the illness of her mother.

At the annual election of the Eastern Shore Society, of Baltimore City held last week, James U. Dennis, of the Somerset Chapter, was elected president. He succeeds James W. Chapman, of the Kent Chapter, who was president during the past year. Walter R. Gale, of the Kent Chapter, was re-elected as secretary and treasurer.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stoops announce the marriage of their daughter, Mildred E., to Henry C. Merchant, on Saturday evening, Novem-

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Houston Toulson, of Roland Park, Baltimore, are guests of their mother, Mrs. M. A. Toulson.

Prof. David McMenamin, of the faculty of Newark, Del., High School is visiting his mother, Mrs. D. B. McMenamin.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Robinson spent Sunday the guests of the former's brother, Argus Robinson, at Elkton.

Rufus Collins has been confined to his home by sickness for several days.

Miss Alice Rote and three friends Misses Imogene Hamilton, of Illinois Lenora Marion Tutt, of Detroit, Mich., and Catherine Wilson, of Cape Charles, Va., students of the Marjory Webster School, Washington, D. C., were week-end guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Rote. The above young ladies accompanied by one of the teachers of the school will spend the Thanksgiving holidays with one of the former graduates in Rochester, N. Y. They will also visit Niagara Falls and Canada. They made the trip in auto.

Mrs. John Speicher is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Chapman, at their home in Guilford, Baltimore. She was the guest this week at the reception given in honor of Miss Chapman, debutante daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chapman.

Misses Sue and Lucie Frazier spent the week-end with their brother in Washington.

Miss Rachel Parrott has returned home after visiting her cousin, Miss Venie Bowers, Worton.

John T. Lee and son, of Baltimore, spent the holiday with James H. Lee and family.

Prof. Douchkess and wife spent the holidays with H. R. Graham and wife.

Sterling Townshend was home for the holidays.

Misses Lillian and Evalyn Brown are spending the week-end in Rockville.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Norman Crouch are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a little boy at their home on Washington avenue.

Misses Elizabeth Culp and Margaret Russell were entertained during the holidays at the home of A. L. Carmine and wife in Philadelphia. A party in their honor was given on Thursday evening.

BOOTLEG LIQUOR FULL LYE POISON

A Federal agent who has been arresting bootleggers on the Eastern Shore has just received a report from the chemist of the samples of bootleg liquor which he sent away to be analyze. Out of eighty or ninety samples sent only one was free from poisons or could be drank without harmful effects.

A great deal of the liquor was found to contain lye. the quantities being larger in some of the samples than others, but practically every sample was found to contain it. In one case the lye averaged eleven and one-half per cent of the contents and and in addition to this as much of four per cent of nitre was found in some of the liquor.

Agents making the arrests state that in nearly all cases they have found large quantities of empty lye cans around the stills indicating the very liberal use of lye. It is reported that under the normal conditions it requires from six weeks to two months for mash to ferment properly but by the use of lye the fermentation process is speeded up so that only about five or six days are required and inasmuch as the bootlegger is in the business for the money only the short cut is usually taken, even through the eye-sight, the health and even the lives of the consumers are jeopardized.

The mere fact that only one sample out of more than eighty was pure indicates the great risk which the public is running in buying the bootleg products. The person who uses lye and nitre and other products will not hesitate to lie about it, in fact, no one expects anything else but when the agents and the chemists find that not one lot of a hundred can be drank with safety, it is not surprising to hear of some of the things that those under the influence of bootleg stuff do.

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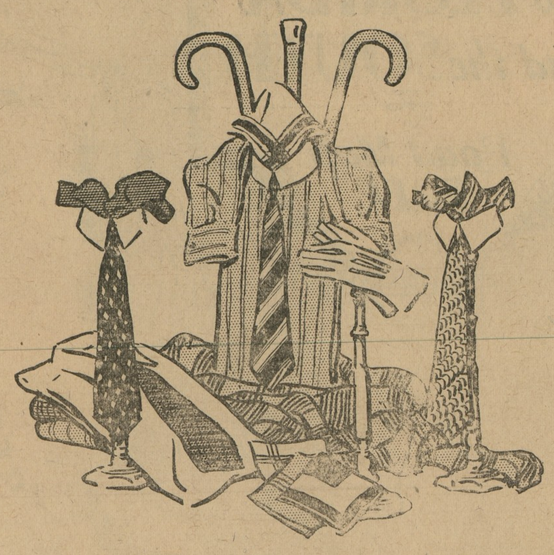
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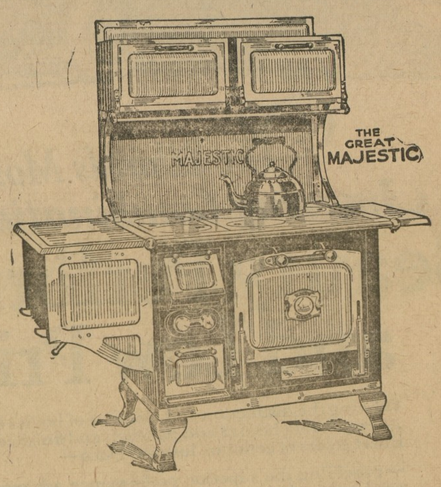

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