Kent News

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1928

KENT COUNTY CARE OF COURT RECORDS

Care of court records in Maryland was begun with the action of the General Assembly in session in the city of Annapolis July 17, 1716. Four years later the Commissioners of Kent county met at the Court House in the town of Chester, in said county, on the — day of —, in the twelfth year of the dominion of Charles, Absolute Lord and Proprietor of the Province of Maryland and Avalon, Lord Baron of Baltimore, A. D. 1727, and authorized James Smith to transcribe all the county records in suitable books.

Unknown To Some

The first entry of the new book is a transcript of the act of the Assembly. It states that it is "an act for the repairing the damage already sustained in the records of the Land Secretary. Commissioners and County Court officers and for the security of the same records for the future."

Eleven years later Kent county began the work authorized. Some of the other Maryland counties have not heard of the act, it is said.

Present at this meeting of the Kent Commissioners were Lambert Wilmer Thomas Ringgold, Abraham Redgrave, William Frisby, Frederick Hanson, James Wilson, Jr., John Evans and George Skirven.

Now Given Attention.

These officials found, upon inspection, that the records were in much need of repairs and ordered it done. From then until the present time the records of Kent county have had care and the older books are given the attention to which their age entitles them.

"JIMMY" FOXX BUYS FARM

"Jimmy" Foxx, well-known catcher for the Philadelphia Athletics whose home is at Sudlersville, last week closed a deal with G. Edward Gillespie, also of Sudlersville, whereby he becomes the owner of "Wayside," the beautiful country estate of Mr. Gillespie located near Sudlersville. The farm contains one hundred and seventy-five acres, and the purchase price is said to have been $10,500. The farm is occupied this year by J. Wesley Story, but the first of next year will be occupied by Dell Foxx, father of the young ball player. Mr. Gillespie will move his cement plant which is located on the farm to a more advantageous location in Sudlersville.

JAMES SMITH RESCUED FROM BURNING HOME

James Smith, veteran umbrella mender, more familiarly known thruout Kent and Queen Anne's counties as "Schmitty," owes his life to the prompt and courageous action of Fireman Edwin B. Walls, of the Good Will Fire Company. The lad rescued the aged man from his bed when Smith's home was gutted by fire of unknown origin Thursday at noon.

Either asleep or overcome by the dense smoke, the aged umbrella mender was almost completely surrounded by flames when firemen burst into the building. Firemen Walls promptly shouldered the man and carried him to a point of safety. The damaged building was owned by Smith and most of his furniture and personal effects either were damaged or completely destroyed.

The Prince of Trees

There is no tree in the world that surpasses the white pine in beauty, stateliness, individuality, and usefulness. It is the prince of North American trees, says the American Tree association. Reliable records show that the first American house was built of white pine.

Record Price for Tulip

Though orchids frequently bring prices that make the poor man stagger, the highest price for a single flower was given for a tulip in Amsterdam by an enthusiast, who paid $250,000 for it, during the famous tulip craze.

SHIPS PASS WHILE LIGHT TENDER DIES

The time was when the old beacon light of quaint old Queenstown harbor would have beaconed to the residents in some way that something was wrong with the faithful keeper, John Frank Jones, 65, who kept its rays glimmering for the last 35 years. But times have changed, and it was several days before two men missing the old light-keeper, peeped into a window of the wharf waiting room that he called "home," and saw his lifeless body.

The light hadn't failed, but old Jones had, and it wasn't his fault Death crept upon him in a stroke of apoplexy some time during the week as he slept alone in the little wharf station which he had converted into his home.

The ferryboats have long since stopped making calls at Queenstown. Oysterboats have been tied up by the ice. Ships undoubtedly were passing in the night, in the river, guided by Jones' faithful beacon, but they didn't disturb the old beacon tender. Years ago, when Queenstown's harbor was in the heydey of its career. Jones' disappearance from his usual routine would have been missed, but times have changed, and the old man's post was little more than a landmark.

Charles Anthony and Hiram Pinder, watermen, did remark, one to the other, yesterday that they hadn't seen the old man since Monday. So while they were on their way to work, they decided to peep in his little wharf station home. They saw him lying in bed. Sensing the posibility that something was wrong, they opened the door, and found the old man dead, and quite cold, as if he had been dead for some time.

Other residents were summoned and Dr. Samuel J. Price was also called. W. W. Story, coroner, summoned a jury composed of the following men S. E. W. Friel, foreman; Frank Delahay, Harry F. Roberts, Kennard Morris, J. Reynolds Friel, Addison Berry, Charles Pryor, Owens Morris John Cole, Anthony Crouch, Randolph Morris and Charles Morris who rendered a verdict of death from apoplexy.

The remains were brought to Centreville, where they were prepared for burial, and removed to the home of Mrs. Sallie Hunter, near Church Hill, a daughter of the deceased. Funeral services were held. Interment was in Chesterfield cemetery Centreville.

Mr. Jones was born on Kent Island and was about 65 years old. His wife died several years ago. He is survived by two sons, J. Frank Jones and Edgar J. Jones, and one daughter, Mrs. Hunter.

Mr. Jones, aside from attending the beacon lights, had been employed by the State Roads Commission almost since the first roads were built in the county.

S. Scott Beck, Attorney.

ORDER NISI

S. Scott Beck, Assignee
versus
William Hignut
In the Circuit Court for Kent County
In Equity, No. 2496.

Ordered, this 7th day of January 1928, by the Circuit Court for Kent County in Equity, that the sale of the Personal Property mentioned in these proceedings made and reported by S. Scott Beck, assignee under and by virtue of the prower of sale in two Chattel Mortgages from Wm. Hignut to H. D. Orem and Son, one dated Nov. 15, 1926, and the other dated Aug. 27, 1927, and both duly assigned to S. Scott Beck, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shown on or before the 15th day of February next; provided, a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Kent county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 30th day of January next.

The Report states the amount of sales to be $188.75.

ROBT. A. SHALLCROSS, Clerk.
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ROBT. A. SHALLCORSS, Clerk
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KENT NEWS $1.50 A YEAR

"City Gone Wild" Fine Film

The much-publicized ganster and his underworld haunts have at last been brought to the screen in a new way. This time it is Thomas Meighan who aids and abets a campaign to wipe out the underworld curse in a big American city. Meighan makes his appearance as a criminal lawyer in a new Paramount production "The City Gone Wild" to be shown at the Lyceum, Wednesday, January 25th.

The story is a powerful one and the plot is action from the main title right through the final fadeout.

Needless to say, it is a fine picture, for Meighan, plays the star role and James Cruze directed. Cruze staged the spectacles "The Coverfed Wagon" and "Old Ironsides" for Paramount, both of which were sensational, to say the least. Now he is back in feature length subjects, and in this Meighan vehicle his nimble hand is always apparent.

The story is a melodrama of the underworld with many novel twists. It's not one of those cut and dried crook stories. It is different. Meighan is a criminal lawyer who turns prosecuting attorney because of his love for a beautiful girl. In striking contrast to the society homes, gunmen are shown in their haunts, where gang wars rage and machine guns crackle. Meighan saves his sweetheart when it is revealed that her father, a capitalist, is really the king of the underworld.

CENTREVILLE LIGHT RATE REDUCED

At the first meeting of the Board of Town Commissioners for the New Year, announcement was made of a substantial reduction in electric rates for Centreville and the suburbs. The new reduced figures are effective as of January 1. Superintendent Paul R. Weldie last week announced the rates as follows:

Within the town limits the first 50 KW will be chargeable at a rate of 12 cents, the second 50KW at 10 cents, and the third 50 KW and all over that amount at 8 cents.

Outside of the town limits the new rate will be 15 cents for the first 50 KW, 12 cents for the second 50 KW and 10 cents for the third 50 KW and all over that amount.



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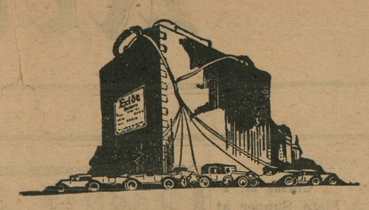


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