LOCAL NOTES.....

The Washington College Cotillion Club will hold the Christmas cotillion in the College Gymnasium on Dec. 12, Music by McPherson's Stompers.

County Agent J. D. McVean, of this county, was one of the speakers at the 58th annual convention of the Maryland State Grange, at Silver Spring, Montgomery county, Thursday. This was one of the most important sessions of the grange in years and topics of national concern to the farmers and grangers of the State were discussed.

Complaints of insufficiency of gas in town are being made and we are informed the company will rectify the trouble. What is needed is a "booster" to makes the flow of gas uniform.

Supt. Paul Adams has received a letter from the President of his gas company promising to remedy the complaints within two weeks. A "booster" has been ordered and will be installed at once.

Next Saturday, December 13th, is Old Kris Day in Chestertown.

Oysters are bringing fair prices 80 cents to $1.00 per bushel.

MUSKRAT OUTLOOK

Owners of marsh land and trappers who work on shares are looking forward to a good season in Kent county this year.

Trapping for several years has attracted quite a number of persons in tidewater sections of the country, bringing hundreds of dollars in return for brown and black pelts.

Last year the catch was not as large and prices were down considerably from those which have prevailed in the last few years.

"Shop Early. Wrap Securely. Mail Early." That is the slogan that Postmaster William G. Smyth is urging patrons of the Chestertown postoffice to adopt for their Christmas gift mailing. Already the local postoffice is beginning to feel the increase due to the approaching holiday season and packages are piled high in the office with each coming mail.

Mr. Smyth urges that all packages be wrapped securely and tied with heavy cord. He also suggests that the address of both the recipients and the sender be placed prominently on the outside and that a card bearing both addresses be placed inside the package to insure delivery in care the wrapper breaks.

It has been estimated that the holiday volume of mail increases approximately 200 per cent over that of ordinary times.

SEAL SALE STARTED AT CHESTERTOWN

The annual sale of Christmas seals began in Kent county Saturday, under the direction of Louis C. Robinson, superintendent of schools, who was recently appointed chairman of the campaign for Kent county.

Mr. Robinson has adopted the plan of conducting the campaign through the mails, which he found successful last year when receipts of $798.25 were reported. Efforts are being made to exceed this amount this year with a goal of $1,000 in view.

Walter Starr, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Starr, while gunning with two others near Pomona Thursday, was accidentally shot above the eye. Dr. Simmons gave first aid and advised further treatment at Easton Hospital. The county ambulance was called and carried the patient to Easton.

JURIST STILL IMPROVING

Kent county friends of Judge Thos. J. Keating, of Centreville, are delighted to learn that he continues to show marked improvement and is now regarded as well on his way to complete health and vigor. Judge Keating has been ill nearly the entire year and is at the home of his brother, Dr. Frank W. Keating, in Baltimore county.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NOTES

At the Bachelor's Cotillion in Baltimore last Monday evening when sixty-two young Baltimore debutantes made thir bows to society at the first Monday German were the following from Chestertown: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Keene Barroll, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur W. Hubbard, Wilbur Ross Hubbard, John W. Barroll and Stephen R. Collins.

One of the most attractive young ladies at the ball was Miss Mary Moore, daughter of Mrs. Lottie Moore, sister of Mrs. Hope H. Barroll.

Mrs. H. C. D. Wilkison and son, Prof. and Mrs. John W. Wilkison, of Baltimore, spent Thanksgiving the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barnes.

Clifton P. Aldrich, of Baltimore, was a guest this week of Geo. L. Bowers in Kent. He is with the Balto. Police Dept.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Hughes, Carroll Hughes and Miss Sallie Shirdan, of Baltimore, were guests of Mrs. Walter Morris during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Phoebe Pyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Pyle, while playing field ball Tuesday broke her wrist.

Miss Elizabeth Loller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Loller, of Earleville, and George Alderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alderson, of Cecilton, were united in marriage by the Rev. R. T. Thawley Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith.

Mrs. H. B. Rote returned from Baltimore Hospital Tuesday very much improved.

James E. Walbert will return from Easton Hospital Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Moffett arrived home from Easton Hospital Thursday in fine spirits. She reports her sister as doing nicely and will come home shortly.

Edward Blackway arrived home yesterday very much improved.

Mrs. J. W. Brown, of near Pomona, is critically ill in Easton Hospital. Her family were summoned there on Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Hodgson is improving.

Dr. and Mrs. James W. Urie, of Kennedyville, have issued invitations to the marirage of their daughter, Miss Catherine Dudley Urie, to James Judson White, Jr., of Parksley, Va. The wedding will take place in Kennedyville M. P. Church at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, December 6.

Mrs. J. Ray Bowers and son, Samuel, spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Baltimore, with her daughter, Alice Ray, who is undergoing special treatment at the Childrens' Hospital School in that city.

Miss Dorothy Vickers is spending the week-end with her parents on the Avenue.

Mrs. Edith Payne, of Baltimore, visited her sister, Mrs. Sides, over the week-end.

Mrs. Warren S. Fisher, of Baltimore, who has been spending sometime with Mrs. Anna Wyble, of Worton, will leave shortly for St. Petersburg, Fla., to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Hague and grand daughters, Elizabeth and Virginia, spent the week-end in Baltimore with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dowling.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Waller, of Baltimore, were the week-end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jones, near town.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Maxwell have left Chestertown for Corpus Christie, Texas. A letter received from Hot Springs, National Park, Arkansas, states that they have had a very pleasant trip and will leave there for Corpus Christie, Texas, the latter part of next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Henderschott and mother, Mrs. Mary Hendersnott matored to Harrisburg, Pa., Saturday and spent the week-end the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard I. Cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence B. Strong and daughter, Mary Jean, and Mrs. T. B. Kilbourne, were Thanksgiving guests of relatives at Laurel.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Sparks and daughter, of Baltimore, spent the week-end the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sparks.

Mrs. Carrie Ways, of Baltimore spent Thanksgiving the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Leonard C. Needles.

On Friday evening, December 19th, Patrol Leaders and their assistants from Chestertown, Betterton and Rock Hall, are meeting in Chestertown at a Junior Leader's Conference. The committee, comprising Assistant Scoutmaster John Wagner, of Baltimore, Chairman; Owens and Bonwill, of Betterton; and Emmet Kauffman, of Chestertown; have arranged for two Scout speakers from Baltimore. These are William Faust, Troop 127, and Howard Clark, Troop 18.

In the Betterton Troop's Second Annual Archery Meet held Friday at Maple Lawn Farm the Betterton Patrols defeated the Still Pond Patrols by a score of 40 to 10. The individual high point score was tied by James Owens and Ringgold Price.

MILKMAID'S DAY IS DONE

Here's good news for the farmer's daughter and also his son. A machine now in use, a Plainsboro, N. J., which washes, dries and milks 50 cows at one time. It is a revolving circular table, 60 feet in diameter. Three times a day, 1,680 cows are milked in this sanitary manner. The milk from the cow's udder is conveyed to a glass container without being exposed to the air. At the completion of each 12½-minute revolution of the turntable each cow returns, unguided, to her place in the cow barn, an eighth of a mile away.

County Coroner Harry L. Dodd and Sheriff J. Thos. Hadaway were called to Piney Neck near Rock Hall to investigate the sudden death of Charles E. Smith, 49. Mr. Smith had been living practically alone on the Waters farm in Piney Neck for several years. Monday afternon he was seized with illness, and he walked to the home of a colored man by the name of Johnson on the Burgess farm nearby to ask Johnson to go to Rock Hall for a physician. While talking to Johnson Mr. Smith suddenly dropped dead. Johnson notified the coroner and sheriff. After making an examination of the body and learning the details of the man's death from Johnson, Coroner Dodd deemed an inquest unnecessary and gave a certificate of death from apoplexy. Mr. Smith was not married. He is survived by a brother, Washington Smith, of Baltimore, and three sisters. The funeral took place Wednesday interment in Wesley Chapel Cemetery, Rev. Mr Bexley officiating; C. L. Dodd, undertaker.

The members of all fraternal orders in the town and county are invited to meet at Christ M. P. Church next Sunday evening at 7.15. Dr. Sexsmith pastor of the church will preach a sermon on the subject, "Fraternity."

Stricken with acute indigestion while oystering on Buoy Rock, in Chester river, Tuesday morning John Bambury, aged 54 years, of Grasonville, fell overboard and was dead in a few minutes. Mr. Bambury accompanied his son, Robert Bambury, and George Larrimore, on the oystering trip despite the fact that he had complained of feeling badly earlier in the morning. The men were engaged in tonging oysters when the elder man suddenly staggered and fell, tumbling into the icy waters. He was rescued immediately, but all efforts failed to revive him.

Governor Albert C. Ritchie, who has been suffering from an attack of laryngitis since the election on November 4th, is still confined to the Executive Mansion at Annapolis.

Although his condition is reported as greatly improved, the Chief Executive of the State will remain indoors foo several more days on the advice of his attending physician as a precautionary measure.

Ruth Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Adams, fell down stairs at her home on Mill street Sunday and broke a bone in her left arm. She was carrying a pair scissors in her hand and fortunately did not injure herself with them.

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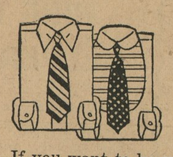

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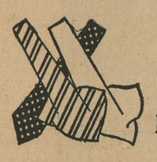

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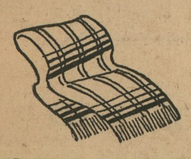

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