The Kent News

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1931

POSTAGE RATES ADVANCED

Effective September 1, the postage rates to Canada have been advanced to 3 cents per ounce on letttrs, and to 2 cents oen post cards; the rates to Great Britain have been advanced to 5 cents per ounce on letters and 3 cents on post cards.

OLDEST NEWSPAPER EDITOR IN U. S. DIES

John Henry Mitten, believed to be the oldest newspaper editor in the country, died Friday at his home in Westminster. He would have been 87 years on September 12.

Mr. Mitten, active editor of the Westminster Times, a weekly, until three weeks before his death, was awarded a medal two years ago as the oldest newspaperman by the Editors' Association of the United States.

From his boyhood he was engaged in the printing business, being an apprentice before the Civil War. He saw active service and was one of the two surviving Union veterans in the county. He and George K. Mather started The Times in 1911. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Loane, of Rock Hall.

USE FOR SURPLUS FOOD

At this season of the year when many fruits are maturing and canneries are running, it seems pertinent to consider the saving of these food stuffs to alleviate human suffering during the coming winter. With many tomatoes going to waste because of stringent grading methods, peaches being given away for the picking, apples lying on the ground wasting and the grape season on, it occurs to us that government aid might be more effective if money to be used for relief measures was paid to canners to can all the surplus fruits thereby giving employment to many and then when the fruits were safe in cans allot these canned goods to the Red Cross, Salvation Army and other humantarian organizations for distribution where and when necessary.

These canned foods could be held at the respective packing houses until called for by one of these distributing agencies. By doing this a vast quantity of food could be held in reserve indefinitely and delivered where most needed upon short notice. The more one thinks about this plan the more virtue is seen in it. The cannery laborers are going to be hard put to it to last the winter through because of the short canning season, and if by conserving this otherwise wasted food they can be given an extra two weeks labor the good effect is bound to be felt in the col months which lie before us. And no one can foretell the untold goo which could be done by the distribution of these health-giving friuts to the undernourished throughout our country.

CHANGES IN BUS ROUTES

The following change in bus route and the new routes established during the summer vacation are announced at this time so the children living along the routes will know at what hour to meet the bus.

The bus that formerly ran from Sassafras to Galena by way of Massey has been rerouted as follows to accommodate the children living in the vicinity of Wilson's Cross Roads in the abandoned Cedar Grove school district. It will now start at Hurlock's Corner at 8.15 A. M. to carry the elementay school children from that section of the Cedar Gove distict to the Massey school. It will then carry the high school children living in that village and along the route to Sassafras and Galena to the Galena school. After passing the limits of the Sassafras district it will pick up both elementary and high school children until it reaches a point within one and one-half miles of Galena.

The new routes established and the hours at which the busses will start their runs each morning are:

1.—Turner's Creek Distrist to Kennedyville School. The bus will start at the junction of the public road and the private road leading from the Clothier estate within one-eighth of a mile of Turner's Creek school at 8.00 o'clock. It will arrive at Kennedyville before the high school bus leaves that village for Chestertown.

2—.Worton Point District to Hanesville and Chestertown. The bus will leave Mr. Bruce Usilton's gate near the Worton Point school at 8.15 a. m.

3.—Broad Neck and Lankford to Fairlee School. The bus will leave the store near the end of the slag road in Broad Neck at 8.20 a. m. If the road between the Lankford school site and Baker's Lane is slagged by the County, the Board of Education will route the bus by way of Baker's Lane. This would provide much better service for a number of the school patrons in the Lankford district.

Officer—Young lady, I'm afraid I'll have to run you in.

Lardy—Oh, never mind officer. I can get home by myself all right.

OUTBREAK OF TYPHOID IN AREA

An outbreak of ten cases of typhoid fever at Pondtown, near Crumpton, Queen Anne's county, with one fatality thus far, is reported by Dr. Ralph G. Beachley, deputy State health officer for Kent and Queen Anne's counties.

The fatality was that of Bessie Mae Tiller, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tiller. Her 8-year-old brother, Charles, was seriously ill, Dr. Beachley said.

Ninety-five persons in the community of approximately 300 were given preventative inoculations in the Pondtown Methodist Church and similar preventative measures will be taken September 11 and 25, and October 2.

Excessive rains, Dr. Beachley said, apparently have polutted the water supply in wells by draining ground water into them. He said he expected a number of new cases to develop shortly.

All those now being treated came in contact with the child who died, it was said.

There are also a number of cases of diphtheria on Kent Island reported to Dr. Beachley.

There have been two other outbreaks of typhoid in the counties this Summer. About 20 cases were reported near Maugansville, Washington county. All sales of unpasteurized milk have been halted in that vicinity, Dr. Beachley said.

In the vicinity of Cooksville, Howard county, an outbreak of seven cases in one family was reported. Howard county also is without a full-time health officer, although it is understood steps are being taken to provide one, Dr. Riley said.

Other counties lacking full-time health officers are Somerset, Caroline and the sanitary district of Charles and St. Mary's counties, where one officer supervises health work for both.

OYSTER SPORTING SET OF FALSE TEETH

The catching of an oyster wearing an upper set of false teeth was reported Tuesday to Swepson Earle.

There was nothing wrong with the oyster's natural teeth. The set of artificial ones had been lost a year ago by an oyster tonger. The catch was in the Chester River, near Hells Point.

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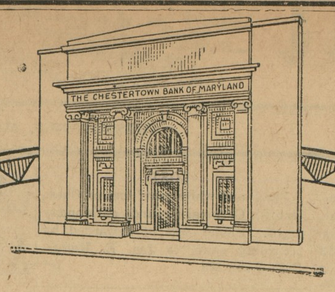
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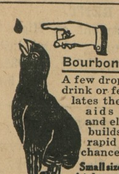
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