

# TIMELY TOPICS

USELESS DANGER  
A NEW BISHOP  
ADVENTURER  
CATTLE SHOW

Elsewhere in this issue is chronicled, as it has been in the daily press, the death of Wade Smith, a former State policeman at one time stationed here, who died by a pistol shot from a weapon in the hands of his wife. The testimony seems to indicate that the killing was largely accidental.

This may seem far-fetched as a timely topic for Kent counties outside of the few who were intimate with the dead man during his sojourn here. But there is a lesson, and a timely one, to be drawn from the killing, a lesson for Kent counties as well as people the world over.

Loaded guns about the house are a constant source of danger. Scidom, if ever, are citizens called upon to defend their households with such weapons. And when they are carelessly handled, as they are in so many instances, they not infrequently bring death and injury.

Here a young man lies dead as the result of a loaded weapon too easily accessible.

If you feel the necessity of a loaded revolver or gun about your house keep it where it cannot be secured by any casual visitor or member of your family.

Yesterday a native Kent countyman was made a Bishop of the Episcopal Church. Surely that is a timely topic and a joyous one for the relatives and host of friends of the Rev. Dr. J. Wilson Sutton, son of the late John C. Sutton, of Kent county.

Another home-town boy makes good. Elected Bishop of Vermont the Rev. Dr. Sutton attains a life-long goal. As vicar of Trinity Chapel, New York City, for fifteen years, he has made an enviable reputation. On several occasions he has been mentioned for bishop of various dioceses as well as the post of rector of the Chapel of which he had so long served as vicar.

Not only has he connections with Kent through his many relatives here but he is a graduate of Washington College and has received honorary degrees from the same institution.

THE ENTERPRISE joins with the many friends of Dr. Sutton in wishing him well in his new and greater undertaking.

A boy loses his foot in a railroad mishap in Gallup, New Mexico, and makes a very timely topic for Kent counties. Adventuring in the West to the coast, Byron Barnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Barnett, was the victim of the tragedy.

Adventuring around the world is not what it once was. There was a time when a young man could set out and work his way around the globe. But depression days have ended all that. Few towns have enough odd jobs to accommodate their own and the casual transient finds it hard-riding.

Young Barnett was unfortunate. He and his family have the sympathy of the whole community. But the spirit of adventuring is not to be condemned, rather it is to be encouraged. Our fore-fathers were adventurers, pure and simple, and all of the progress the world has ever made has been accomplished by people who were not afraid to venture forth on their own.

Cattle raising in Kent county has improved by leaps and bounds in recent years and the Kent County Cattle Show, set for Tolchester next Tuesday, is one of the sort of things that has done much to improve the various breeds in Kent county.

More than 100 head of cattle, the finest in this section, have been entered. And that many fine cattle should prove an interesting sight to even the layman.

Plan to attend this show next week and see the progress your neighbors have made with their herds.

## ALMANAC

- "Politeness is to do and say the kindest thing in the kindest way."
- JULY**
- 30—U. S. Army buys its first military airplane, 1909.
  - 31—Carlisle-Indian School established by Congress, 1882.
- AUGUST**
- 1—M. R. A. Blue Eagle makes its first bow, 1933.
  - 2—Charles X abdicates his French throne, 1830.
  - 3—France formally declares war on Germany, 1914.
  - 4—Russell Sage, great financier, born 1816.
  - 5—16" rain falls in three hours at Concord, Pa., 1843.

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CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 1935

\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

## LOCAL YOUTH LOSES FOOT IN ACCIDENT

### Byron Barnett Hurt in New Mexico

### WAS ON WAY TO COAST

### Details Of Mishap Are Lacking

H. Byron Barnett, Jr., son of H. B. Barnett, proprietor of the Chestertown Bowling Alleys, is in a Gallup, New Mexico, hospital, with his right foot amputated three inches above the ankle as the result of a railroad accident last week.

Details of the accident are meagre. Latest reports from the hospital indicate, however, that young Barnett's condition has improved.

It is thought that he was hopping a train when the accident occurred. The young man left here some weeks ago to work his way to the west coast where an uncle is connected with the motion picture industry.

Last Saturday his father received a wire from the head of the Gallup hospital telling of the amputation of the right foot and citing the boy's critical condition. A wire for further details brought the information that the foot had been injured in a railroad accident and that his condition was improved.

Yesterday the boy's father received a letter written from Gallup on the day of the accident but prior to its occurrence.

It is understood here that Dr. William Travers, formerly connected with the Easton, Md., hospital, is the head of the hospital at Gallup and Dr. H. G. Simpers has written Dr. Travers for details of the accident.

Young Barnett figured in a rather exciting episode earlier in the summer while sailing alone from Chestertown to Betterton. Somewhere in the bay, off Tolchester, the boom of his ship swung around, struck his head and rendered him unconscious. In that condition for several hours his sails flapped in the wind until they were torn to shreds. When he finally regained consciousness he was off Tolchester Beach. He paddled ashore, sold his boat to some strangers and made his way home by land.

Yesterday the Chestertown Rotary Club interested itself in the boy's plight and wired the Gallup Rotary Club to show him every courtesy and report by airmail on his condition and the facts of the accident.

## Mrs. Harmeline Smith Dies

Mrs. Harmeline R. Smith, 80, widow of the late Joel Smith, died early this morning at the home of Hydie Jones, near Rock Hall, where she has made her home for a number of years. She is survived by a number of nephews and nieces.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, August 2, at 2:30 P. M. in Old St. Paul's Church with the Rev. William Wylie in charge. Interment will be made in the adjoining cemetery.

The bears will be: T. Ringgold Jones, Hydie Jones, Richard S. Jones, J. Ernest Willson, Paul Stokes and Lewin Deputy. Ralph H. Usilton will be the funeral director.

## Seven Counties In Attendance At Training School

### In Session All This Week At Westminster

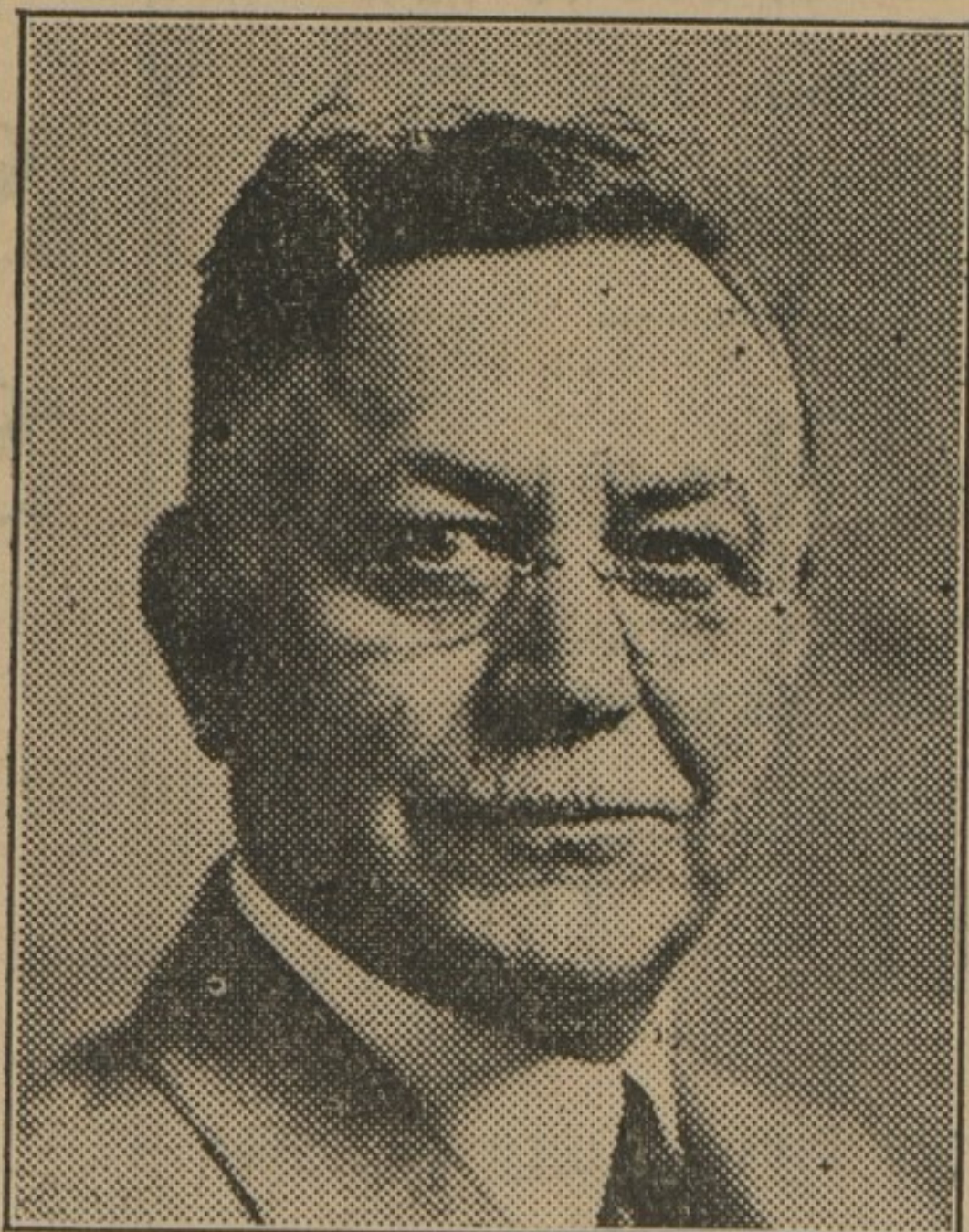
Seven Kent counties are attending the yearly session of the Leadership Training School of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church which began its sessions on Monday at Western Maryland College, Westminster. The Kent counties are: Helen C. Bouscher, of Kennedyville; and Ray Kirby, Rollison McGinnis, Mary L. Russell, Charlotte Russell, Sara Baxter and Ruth Adams, all of Chestertown.

The school is under the direction of the Rev. R. W. White, of Washington, D. C., as dean; the Rev. John W. Townsend, of Snow Hill, as registrar; the Rev. Dr. R. C. Mulligan, of Cambridge, as treasurer and the Rev. D. L. C. Little of Western Maryland College as religious work director. The faculty is composed of prominent teachers, ministers and laymen of Western Maryland College, Westminster Theological Seminary and the Conference.

## ALUMNI OFFICERS



Roger J. Bounds, '24



Dr. George A. Bunting, '91

Elected as officers of the Washington College Alumni Association recently were Roger J. Bounds, '24, a government employee in Washington, as president, and Dr. George A. Bunting, '91, the formulator of Noxzema, of Baltimore, as vice-president.

## Events For Horse Show August 16 Here Announced

### Ten Show Events And Four Races Listed

Wilbur Ross Hubbard, president of the Kent County Horse Show Association, this morning announced the program for the eleventh annual Kent County Horse Show. The show will be held on Friday, August 16, on the Julian Jones' farm, Chestertown-Kennedyville highway, starting promptly at 1:30 P. M.

An added feature, according to Mr. Hubbard, will be a concert by the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company band.

- The program is as follows:
1. BELLI CASUS COLTS. For all Colts sired by the thoroughbred Stallion Belli Casus.
  2. HALF-BRED COLTS. Two years old and under. Shown in hand. Open to all.
  3. CHILDREN'S HUNTERS. Jumps 3 feet high. Children under 15 years.
  4. CHILDREN'S SADDLE HORSES. To be ridden by children under 15 years.
  5. GREEN HUNTERS. Jumps 3 1/2 feet high. Performance 60 per cent. Conformation 40 per cent. For horses that have never won any ribbon in jumping classes. Horses in this class cannot enter Class 10.
  6. LOCAL SADDLE HACKS. For Kent County Horses only. Conformation to count 25 per cent. Manners and performance 75 per cent.
  7. HANDY HUNTERS. Open to all. Take first jump at trot. At second stop horse and let one end of top rail down to the ground with hand while remaining seated in the saddle, jump over the rails, then replace the top rail. At third jump, dismount and lead horse over. Re-mount and take fourth jump at a gallop. Time to count 50 per cent.
  8. OPEN SADDLE CLASS. Open to all. Conformation 25 per cent. Manners and performance 75 per cent.
  9. TOUCH AND OUT. Open to all. Start at 3 1/2 feet. Jump off higher.
  10. QUALIFIED HUNTERS. Jumps 4 feet high. Performance only to count. For Horses not entered in Classes 3 and 5.

RACES

1. FLAT RACE. For thoroughbreds. About 3/4 of a mile.
2. LOCAL FLAT RACE. For children under 15 years. For Kent and Queen Anne's County Horses THAT HAVE NEVER WON A RACE.
3. FLAT RACE. Open to all horses except thoroughbreds. About 3/4 of a mile.
4. POINT TO POINT RACE. Open to all. To be run in colors. Less than two miles.

POST ENTRIES. No entrance fees required for any horses.

## SHAKE-UP ON STATE ROADS MADE KNOWN

### Cecil Dropped From Second District

### CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

### Gilbert Taylor Loses Position Here

Effective tomorrow, August 1, Cecil county will be dropped from the Second District of the Maryland State Roads system thus reducing the number of counties in this district from five to four. The counties which will continue in the Second District, under the supervision of Ralph Townsend, district engineer, are Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline and Talbot.

Meanwhile the axe which the new State Roads Commission has been wielding through-out the State has struck the Shore and many former county road engineers have been dropped from the roads forces. In Kent, Gilbert Taylor, for many years the county engineer and placed in charge of county roads in Kent when the State took over their maintenance some months ago, was dropped. John Turpin, holder of a similar position in Queen Anne's was also dropped.

A new lineup has been effected, with the older and more experienced road workers, possessors of jobs under the merit system, replacing the engineers dropped.

G. Bates Chaires, of Chestertown, will be in charge of construction and maintenance of all roads in Kent and Queen Anne's counties and Richard Groves, also a native Kent countian, will hold a similar position for Caroline and Talbot counties.

Still another native Kent man, Lewin Deputy, long an employee of the State Roads Commission, will be in charge of maintenance in Kent and Queen Anne's counties as an assistant to Mr. Chaires.

Up in Cecil county yesterday, where the Cecil County Commissioners are contesting the dismissal of Joseph T. Richards as county roads supervisor, Dr. Homer E. Tabler, chairman of the State Roads Commission, denied from the witness stand that it was the intention of the commission to replace Democratic officials in the various counties with Republicans. He testified that the commission had retained Democrats in five counties—Caroline, Queen Anne's, Kent, Frederick and Charles. He said that it was the intention of the commission to put all roads in Cecil county under one engineer, "if the court did not interfere."

## Fire Damages Porter Home

Fire of unknown origin badly damaged the home of Charles Porter, near Chester cemetery, early Sunday morning. The flames, which members of the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company thought they had subdued, suddenly broke out under the roof and practically gutted the building before they could be brought under control.

There was no one in the house at the time the blaze was discovered. Members of the family were away for the night and are at a loss to explain the origin of the fire.

## Kent Cattle Show At Tolchester Draws 100 Entries

### Six Breeds To Be Exhibited Next Tuesday

More than 100 head of cattle, including one of "the most expensive" bulls in the world, have been entered for the annual Kent County Cattle Show, which will be held at Tolchester Beach, next Tuesday, August 6.

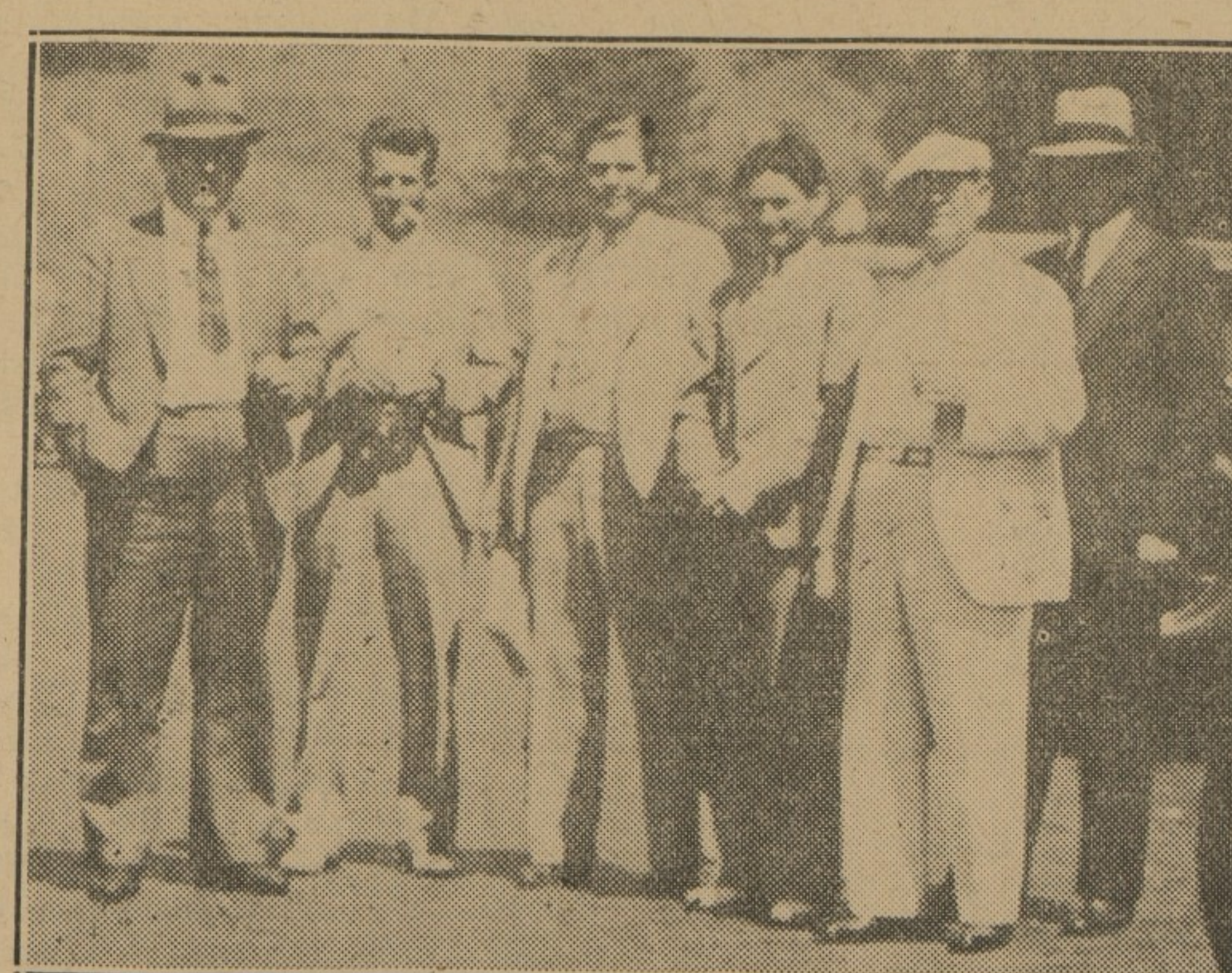
Interest is running high in the coming show which will exceed all previous events in both quantity and quality of entries, according to Stanley B. Sutton, assistant county agent, who is in charge of arrangements for the show.

He announced this morning at Merrill Campbell, of Annapolis, would act as judge in the Holstein class and Louis McC. Merryman as judge in the Guernsey and Jersey breeds. Three dairy and three beef breeds have been listed for the show.

Judging is scheduled to start at 11 A. M. to be followed by a picnic lunch at 12:30 P. M. At 1:15 P. M. a short speaking program has been carded, the speakers being Mr. Merryman and Dr. Mark Welch, of the University of Maryland. The subject will be "Bang's Disease."

Various exhibits of interest to cattle growers will be open throughout the day, one sponsored by the Kent County Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

## KENT OFFICERS, JOHN ELLIS IN SEATTLE



The photograph above was taken by William Bennett, son of Sheriff John N. Bennett, as the Kent police officials left the Seattle police headquarters for their return to Chestertown with the alleged murderer of Kelly Terry. Reading from left to right those in the photo are: P. E. Lagerstedt, Dr. W. M. Reynolds, Deputy Sheriff John N. Bennett, Jr., John Ellis, the alleged murderer, Sheriff John N. Bennett and C. L. Decker. Lagerstedt and Decker are the detectives who apprehended Ellis in a Seattle rooming house.

## Races At Quaker Neck

Lack of wind put a crimp in the first of the new series of handicap sailing races sponsored by the Chester River Yacht and Country Club last Sunday and the opening event was declared a no-contest when none of the boats had crossed the line at the two-hour limit.

Next Sunday the boats, some thirty of them, will race off Quaker Neck Wharf over a triangular course. Spectators from the shore will find a better view afforded at Quaker Neck than off the local club and the races should draw a large crowd.

## Firemen Against Carnival

The Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company, at a special meeting Monday night, voted 24-1 against having a carnival this year. This action came after a speech by President W. L. Fowler in which the disadvantages of such an event were pictured.

## BETTERTON IS ACTIVE

Amateur nights at the Betterton Casino have been drawing great crowds of spectators and large lists of entries each Thursday night at Kent's upper bayside resort. Last Thursday a Chestertown boy, Price Rolph, Jr., shared first honors with Miss Helen Roach of Ridgely.

Other contestants last week included: Bunky Bringham, Chestertown; Charles Hickman, Chestertown; Mike Freeman, Galena; Phyllis Lalli, Norristown, Pa.; Micky Hollenberg, New York; Ruth McKay and Kitty Morton, Baltimore.

Third place last week was won by Ludy Gordon and Charlotte Cornelius, of Chestertown and Worton, respectively, who sang and danced.

All records were broken last Saturday night at the Casino as close of seven hundred dancers packed the dance floor. Music at the Casino is furnished by Don Francis and his Hotel Belvedere Orchestra, the most popular band the Kent resort has ever had.

## LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS

### John C. Eliason, Son Of Mr. And Mrs. Thomas W. Eliason, Describes Trek Into Mountains From Camp Pocono, At Lakeville, Pa.

Camp Pocono, Lakeville, Pa., July 20, 1935.

Dear Mother, Daddy, and Everybody: I have just had the grandest time of my life. Did you ever spend a night in the middle of the forest without the slightest idea of where you are, about 20 miles from the nearest civilization? Well, I'll start from the beginning.

On Wednesday morning four boys, one training councillor and a councillor left for the High Knob (a mountain) in the car, which left us about two miles from the top of the mountain. We climbed the mountain and got there about one o'clock and had dinner of sandwiches on top. We could see the country for miles around, even the Delaware Water Gap. We were then more than 18 miles from camp. From the time we left the Knob we were lost.

Our object in the trip was to follow the old Hobbyist and the cut due west and land on the lake. We left the Knob and found the old road which had not been used for more than 25 or 30 years and we were supposed to turn west at the old Hobbyist house which was in ruins. We never did find the house. We found where the house was supposed to be, but the only marker we could find was a child's grave. So we kept on following the old road which finally ended, and we finally lost all signs of it, and there we were. By this time it was about 6 o'clock and we had to find water and a place to sleep. We were each carrying about 50 pounds of food and packs. We had a compass and cut down the mountain due south (camp was south-west), where we came on a marsh and followed it up stream and we finally found a place to sleep and made camp. The water was freezing cold but it was about the best dip I ever had. It was just deep enough to lie in. We had a fair night of sleep and it was a weird feeling of going to bed and not knowing where we were. We think we made about 15 to 20 miles that day but now we were lost good.

We started the next morning at about 8:30 after a breakfast of pancakes that tasted like shoe-leather, and we headed due west on no trail whatsoever, right through the middle of the forest. We would climb pine trees every hour or so to see where we were going. We went up one mountain and down another and through marshes and streams. Finally we came on a ranger's trail which we followed for about an hour and which finally ended, and we headed west. About 12:30 we came out on a little mountain road where we had the choice of going two ways. The road ran north by south so we took the road north and in about half-an-hour we came to a hunting lodge and there the road ended. So we started back and followed the road south. The road was very well kept up and finally we came out on a kind of a park where there was water. After we

filled our canteens and ourselves we started on. At last we came out on one of the best best estates I ever saw, owned by a man by the name of Ponselli, a wine merchant in New York. Here we were, all ragged, our clothes torn, and we marched upon the lawn and tried to find some people. Finally the tenant came out and we asked him where we were, and we had quite a time understanding his Italian. We were three miles from Sky Top and 6 miles from Canadensis, which is about 37 miles south of Hawley. Were we surprised?

We left there heading for Canadensis. Their land was about 3 miles long, and after walking a little while a big La Salle came by and whizzed past and the brake screeched and the car stopped, and a lady stopped and said get in. She was very nice and we all piled in. She was the owner of the house's wife, and she took us as far as Canadensis, where we got on the main road and started home.

We spent the night in a cow pasture, and about three o'clock the next day arrived at White Beauty View. We were supposed to meet the sail boat at four o'clock from camp. We could see the sail boat but there was no wind. It was a very complicated affair but at about 5:30 the sail boat met us at White Beauty View, but there was no wind and we had to paddle up the lake, but it was just the calm before the storm, and it was getting dark in the west, and then the storm broke, thunder, lightning, wind and rain. We just about went over a couple of times and we shipped a lot of water. There were two other boat-councillors that met us in the boat. After 4 tacks we arrived in camp at 7:30 P. M., soaked to the skin, blankets wet, and money, pocket-book, and everything we had, soaked. I took my old watch with me and it was soaked but it is still running.

I am recovering from blisters, and otherwise I am in good condition. Love, John.

## ELLIS, BACK IN JAIL HERE, IS STILL SILENT

### Doesn't Remember Week End Here

### IDENTIFIED BY WIDOW

### Officers Tell Of Trip To Seattle

Adopting a non-committal attitude, claiming ignorance of all events that happened on his visit to Kent and Queen Anne's counties on the weekend of June 28-29-30, John Ellis, alleged murderer of Kelly Terry in a roadside brawl here on June 29, is being held in the Kent county jail.

Ellis, captured July 12 in Seattle, Washington, was returned to the local jail early last Thursday morning after Sheriff John N. Bennett and three deputies had covered nearly 7,000 miles by automobile to apprehend the alleged murderer.

All hopes that the Kent officers had of getting any information out of the prisoner on the long auto trek across the country faded soon after the start when it became apparent that Ellis had determined to stick to his "I don't remember" story. Most of the way back across the continent he dozed between two of the deputies off the rear seat of the car, his hand shackled to his belt which was buckled in the back.

Since his arrival here Ellis has continued his silence. Yesterday he was visited by his mother and younger sister but the talk never centered on the serious crime with which the dark-haired, thin-faced young man is charged.

Soon after his arrival here last week he was confronted by the widow of the dead man, Mrs. Gladys Terry, and her brother, Dudley Everett. He didn't change his expression as Mrs. Terry almost shouted, "You killed my husband," but he shrank behind the protecting form of Deputy Sheriff John N. Bennett as Dudley Everett, the widow's brother, made a threatening move in his direction.

Since that time he has remained quietly in his cell. It is believed that he will waive a preliminary hearing and await action of the Kent Grand Jury at the October term of the Circuit Court.

Meanwhile Sheriff Bennett, his chief deputy and son, John N. Bennett, another son, William Bennett, and the fourth member of the party, Dr. W. M. Reynolds, are busy telling and retelling the various details of their almost non-stop auto flight to Seattle and return.

All are loud in their praise of the reception accorded them in Seattle where the keys of the city were at their disposal during the twenty-four hours of their stay. Two automobiles of the Seattle police department, with guides, were constantly at their disposal.

Seattle detectives, P. E. Lagerstedt and C. L. Decker, who arrested Ellis at the lodging house disclosed in his letter to a Chester, Pa., friend, told of the capture. Ellis at first denied his identity. Told that a picture was on its way west and that it would go hard with him if the photo was his likeness, he said, "I'm John Ellis."

The trip home, according to Sheriff Bennett, was uneventful. Once, while dining, a fork was missed from the table but a search of Ellis failed to reveal the missing utensil and the waitress was not sure that she had placed it on the table. At all times, when Ellis was eating, one of the four officers kept him under constant surveillance.

## Rev. J. W. Sutton Is Elected As Bishop Of Vermont

### Kent Native Now Vicar Of Trinity Chapel

The Rev. Joseph Wilson Sutton, native Kent countian and brother of George W. Sutton, of near Kennedyville, yesterday was elected as Episcopal Bishop of Vermont, succeeding the late Bishop Samuel B. Booth, who died June 17.

At present vicar of Trinity Chapel, in New York City, the new bishop was chosen on the fourth ballot. He is at present vacationing at Mexico and members of his household said that as far they know he had not expected the election. He left New York on his vacation the first of July and is not expected back until October 1.

Dr. Sutton has been vicar of Trinity Chapel for fifteen years. He was born on June 6, 1881, and received from Washington College here the degrees of A. H., M. A., and D. D. He received his B. D. from the General Theological Seminary in New York in 1905.