

TIMELY TOPICS

RELIEF
BOY SCOUTS
BUDGET
HAUPTMANN

A timely topic yesterday for some forty representatives of various county organizations which specialize in charitable deeds was the ways and means of adopting the President's Social Security Plan to Kent conditions. Soon this may be a timely topic for all of us.

If the President's plan is carried through, and it likely will be, much of the relief work will be turned back on state and county agents. The move to have Kent groups ready to administer to the needs of the county's dependents when the proposed plan is adopted is a wise one.

The plea that the extent of the Kent people on relief roles not be exaggerated as it was last year is a legitimate one. There was no end of embarrassment for the county last year when the daily press reported one-third of the county's population on relief roles. The explanation of the error, made elsewhere today by J. D. McVean, is plausible. But it just shows how news can be twisted and distorted.

But this move for an understanding among the county organizations dispensing relief in some form or another is a wise one and it should be carried through to its utmost.

A drive will soon be started to raise funds in this section to aid in the advancement of the Boy Scout movement in the Eastern Shore area. People approached to contribute to this fund might do well to look into the scouting movement before refusing to make a contribution.

The Boy Scouts of America is an organization that came to the fore to play an important part in directing the leisure moments of the youth of the nation in the right direction. It jumped to the front when the home, the school and the church admittedly had fallen short.

Chestertown has an active troop and there is another at Betterton. There could be several more in the county and with each increase those boys already taken part in the movement would receive benefit as well as the new members that would be attracted.

It is to do this sort of work that the funds raised in the present drive will be used. Your contribution is needed and will be greatly appreciated.

The granting of a \$1,000 increase to Washington College by the State and the including in the budget of a similar amount for the Kent and Queen Anne's General Hospital makes a timely topic. But even timelier is the slice of nearly \$10,000 which the budget cuts from the subsidy of the Tolchester Ferry Company.

Perhaps you are included in the group that has often rallied at the service rendered by the Tolchester Company. Perhaps you also, while traveling on the company's crafts, have wondered how they managed to operate doing the small amount of business they did. The subsidy was undoubtedly the answer.

Now you can pause and wonder what you will do if the service of the Tolchester Company is still further curtailed.

Perhaps the whole idea of subsidizing private businesses with public money is wrong. Maybe there is a better solution. But people who frequently use these means of travel, and people who don't use them so frequently, can't help but wonder.

Although it had but little, if any, local significance certainly but few things surpass the Hauptmann trial in local interest. Everywhere you go you hear discussions of the guilt or innocence of the man charged with the commission of the crime of the century.

No stronger case of circumstantial evidence has ever been builded than that which the State of New Jersey has constructed around Hauptmann, the German alien. But it is hard to send a man to his death on circumstances only.

Everywhere people are wagering as to the verdict of the jury. And that is a safe bet, either way. The ways of a jury are funny and the ways of (Continued On Page Eight)

ALMANAC

February

- 12—First six day bicycle race is started at New York, 1895.
- 13—Commercial food canning introduced in U. S., 1819.
- 14—Ohio River rises 71 feet at Cincinnati, 1884.
- 15—John Barrymore, stage and screen star, born 1882.
- 16—General U. S. Grant captures Fort Donelson, Tenn., 1862.
- 17—Tennis is first played in United States, 1874.
- 18—Jefferson Davis inaugurated as Confederate president, 1861.

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\$1.00 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

RELIEF GROUPS OF COUNTY IN MEETING HERE

Take Inventory Of Needs Of County COMMITTEE IS NAMED

Will Meet Again Here Next Wednesday

A stock-taking of all the Kent organizations interested in relief work was held in the Court House here yesterday at the call of G. Ellsworth Leary, president of the Kent County Commissioners. About forty attendants, representing the following organizations: The County Commissioners, the Alms House Board, the Children's Aid Society, the Juvenile Court, the Kent County Public Health Association, the Kent County Board of Welfare, the American Red Cross, the Kent Department of Health, the Kent Board of Education, the Ambulance Board, the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, the Town Relief, the Kent Welfare Association and the county churches.

As an outgrowth of the meeting a committee was named, with a member from each of the active organizations. This committee will meet next Wednesday at 2 P. M. in the Court House for a further inventory session.

Members of the committee are: G. Ellsworth Leary, Howard Leaverton, S. R. Collins, Mrs. E. C. Fontaine, Mrs. Nora C. Maxwell, J. D. McVean, William B. Usilton, 3rd, Dr. R. G. Beachley, Louis C. Robinson, Mrs. Nell C. Westcott and the pastors of any or all county churches.

The meeting yesterday, called for a general exchange of ideas as a preliminary to an intelligent consideration of ways and means of adapting the President's Social Security Plan to Kent county, when and if that plan is adopted, was termed highly satisfactory by those who sponsored it.

Speaking during the course of the meeting were: William B. Usilton, 3rd, acting chairman of the Kent County Board of Welfare; Dr. R. G. Beachley, representing the Kent County Health Department, the Kent County Public Health Association and the Maryland Tuberculosis Association; Miss Beardsall, Mary and Children's Aid Society; Stephen R. Collins, Juvenile Court, J. D. McVean, Kent County Board of Welfare; and Rev. C. L. Atwater, the Kent County Ministerial Association.

Mr. McVean, in his remarks, sought a guard against such statements as were played up by the daily press last year, listing one in three of Kent citizens on relief. He explained how such a misleading report became current. According to regulations if a child in school receives a glass of milk from relief organizations a report of that case must be placed on a case card. In that way, with many children being given milk and some others shoes and stockings, the relief roles were exaggerated.

BENEFIT MUSICALES CARDED IN TWO PLACES

A benefit musicale by the Still Pond Singing Class, under the direction of Mrs. John Sweetman, has been scheduled at the Still Pond M. E. Church on Monday, February 25, and a similar event, by the Millington Choral Club, arranged at the high school, for the next evening, Tuesday, February 26.

The Still Pond affair will be for the benefit of the Kent and Queen Anne's General Hospital and that at Millington for the benefit of the school library here.

Forest Fires In Kent Last Year

Eight Fires Recorded During 1934

Eight forest fires occurred in Kent county during 1934, an increase over the number in 1933. These fires covered an acreage of 34 acres, did damage to the extent of \$45.25 and cost \$31.50 to fight.

Dry weather conditions, rather than laxity on the part of the forest warden organization in the county, were blamed for the increase in fires. Indeed, reports of the forest warden group indicate that their work was accomplished in an effective and gratifying manner.

WELL KNOWN YOUNG PEOPLE OF COUNTY TAKE MARITAL VOWS IN THREE PRETTY CEREMONIES

Brown-Beck, Startt-Robinson And Lewis-Baxter Weddings Take Place In And Near Chestertown

Six young residents of Kent county accepted marital vows over the week end in three pretty wedding ceremonies. Those married were: Miss Catherine Beck to H. Gilpin Brown, Miss Georgianna Robinson to Lee Startt and Miss Enna Baxter to Harry Wilson Lewis. The first two ceremonies took place Saturday evening and the third was solemnized on Monday.

Brown-Beck
Following several weeks of social activity in honor of the bride-to-be Miss Catherine Beck was united in marriage to Mr. H. Gilpin Brown at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Beck, on Maple avenue at eight o'clock Saturday evening. Mr. Brown is the son of Mrs. Brown and the late H. Clay Brown.

Originally scheduled for a later date at the Emmanuel P. E. Church the wedding was put forward because of the illness of the bride's father. Mrs. Richard Decker, as matron-of-honor, was the bride's only attendant while Mr. Decker served as best man for the groom. Little Sally Catlin and Little Ann Wilmer were ribbon girls.

The ceremony was performed in the bay window at the Beck home with the Rev. C. L. Atwater, rector of Emmanuel P. E. Church, officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a gown of ivory satin with train and a tulle veil caught with orange blossoms.

Only members of the family and immediate friends attended the wedding and the reception which followed.

After a wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Brown will take an apartment at Hastings Manor, Overbrook, Pa.

Startt-Robinson
Miss Martha Georgianna Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodall Robinson, became the bride of Mr. Lee Startt, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Stockton Startt, in a pretty wedding ceremony at St. James M. E. Church last Saturday evening. The Rev.

State's Coffers Replenished By \$1,000,000 Loan

Fund Will Take Care Of Deficit

(Special To The Enterprise)
ANNAPOLIS.—With the State's coffers replenished by the negotiation of a loan of \$1,000,000, members of the Legislature yesterday were able to turn to the consideration of means of meeting the anticipated deficit, supplying an operating surplus and the many bills now before both houses.

The Board of Public Works, consisting of Gov. Harry W. Nice, State Comptroller William S. Gordy, Jr., and State Treasurer Hopner S. Miles, at a meeting Tuesday night passed the necessary resolution empowering the State Comptroller to borrow the \$1,000,000 under provisions of the current budget law.

Attorneys who had studied the legal provisions over the week end held the proposal was sound, and the loan was negotiated with a group of Baltimore banks.

This fund will take care of the \$571,000 deficit in operating revenues reported in the Treasury last week, which resulted in hectic activity on the part of State officials and the withholding of the pay of members of the Legislature.

The necessity of raising \$2,229,000 to meet the deficit and \$1,500,000 operating surplus, and the retirement of the \$1,000,000 loan, must be paid off by October 1, 1935, remains for consideration of the Assemblymen.

It has been determined to accomplish this by a bond issue of about \$4,000,000 serviced either by a beer tax or an increase in the State property tax rate.

While the enabling act for the bond issue is expected during the week, its introduction is not pressing, as it cannot be passed until the budget is disposed of. With this in view, both Senate and House finance groups are going over the budget in order to expedite its passage.

A hearing of the opponents to the proposed 3.25 cent per gallon beer tax is scheduled before the Senate Finance Committee. A campaign has been launched to save the 5-cent glass of beer by the opponents. Several members of the Legislature pointed out that the tax would only be about 1-5 of a cent on an 8-ounce glass of beer, and said they did not see how that would affect the present 5-cent drink.

TAX EXPERTS COMING

Deputy Collectors of Internal Revenue have been assigned to Chestertown for March 4-5-6 to assist local taxpayers in filing income tax returns for the calendar year 1934.

HEALTH GROUP HEAD HERE FOR CONFERENCE

Dr. James Wallace Visits Local Group

PLAN TO ENTER CONTEST

First Year In Contest For Rural Units

Dr. James Wallace, Field Director of the American Public Health Association, visited Chestertown on February 7 and conferred with the Health Committee of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce and the County State Health Officer, Dr. R. G. Beachley, who is also chairman of the committee. The members of the committee are as follows: Dr. R. G. Beachley, chairman; G. Ellsworth Leary, Mrs. Nora C. Maxwell, Mrs. Nell C. Westcott, Louis C. Robinson, A. Sydney Turner, Jr.; J. S. Kreeger, Dr. H. B. Simmons; Wilbur Ross Hubbard, Dr. G. H. Dana, Wroth Stately and Dr. Gilbert W. Mead.

Heretofore, the Health Committee has entered Chestertown in the Inter-Chamber Health Conservation Contest. One year our county-seat was highest in cities of its class (20,000 population and under) and each year since then has been an honor city in its group. This year the whole county is to be entered as a rural unit.

This is the first year rural units have been permitted to enter and 101 counties, or more than 50 per cent of those eligible in the United States, have entered. In order to be eligible a county must have a county-wide, full-time Health Department, a countywide Chamber of Commerce or civic body, and that organization must be affiliated with the United States Chamber of Commerce. Kent happens to be next to the smallest county on the list.

The new contest, among the counties, was made possible by a grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek, Michigan, which is greatly interested in promoting rural health work. The contest among the counties is financed by the various insurance companies throughout the country.

For the rural feature of the contest the United States is divided into six geographic divisions: three east of the Mississippi and three west. Maryland belongs to the mid-Eastern Division. Those scoring highest in each of the six divisions will be the winning counties. All Delaware, our neighboring State, is taking an active part; Wilmington as a city unit and each of the three counties, each being able to meet the requirements.

The final report of Kent county must be before the Grading Committee of the Insurance Department of the United States Chamber of Commerce by March 15, and the decisions will be reached within the month so that the awards may be made at the National Meeting of the U. S. Chamber early in May in Washington, D. C.

The reports from Kent county are being compiled with much supporting data and forwarded in book form to the Grading Committee. These splendid reports from Kent have been used on various occasions throughout the country, having been in demand by some of the largest Universities for use in the Public Health work.

DRESS AND COAT SCHOOL PLANNED FOR MARCH

Meetings Announced For County Clubs

A "Better Dress and Coat School" has been arranged for Kent county for March 5-6-7-8, according to an announcement made this morning by Miss Helen N. Schellinger, home demonstration agent. Anyone who sews and is interested should get in touch with Miss Schellinger or any of the following: Mrs. William Wheeler, Betterton; Mrs. Wilbur Morris, Flatland; Mrs. George Kennedy, Kennedyville; Mrs. Elwood Vansant, Quaker Neck; Mrs. Edward Stevens, Rock Hill; Mrs. Philip Jones, Swan Creek.

Club meetings for next week have been announced as follows: Tuesday, February 19, 7:30 P. M., Swan Creek Homemakers, at the home of Mrs. Pierson Bigelow.

Wednesday, February 20, 1 P. M., Quaker Neck Neighborhood Homemakers Club, at the home of Mrs. Milton Faulkner.

Thursday, February 21, 11 A. M., Kennedyville Homemakers Club.

EARL LIPPY SINGS HERE

Owing to illness Raymond Moffett, baritone, will not be able to sing in the concert arranged for the Chestertown M. E. Church tomorrow evening.

FAMOUS EDUCATOR HERE

Dr. George F. Zook



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School authorities from all sections of the Delmarva Peninsula will be in Chestertown for the mid-winter Convocation at Washington College next Thursday, February 21, when Dr. George F. Zook, Director of the Maryland Council of Education, will be the principal speaker.

Dr. Zook, until recently, was United States Commissioner of Education. He is a noted speaker on educational subjects and for years has been an acknowledged authority on matters pertaining to higher education in the United States.

Mrs. Mary E. Davis Dies At Still Pond

Had Passed 90th Year In January

Mrs. Mary E. Davis, one of the county's oldest citizens, died at her home in Still Pond Monday afternoon. Death followed a short illness.

Mrs. Davis had passed her 90th birthday on January 23rd and until a few weeks prior to her death had been very active, regularly attending services at the Still Pond M. E. Church of which she was long a member. Her entire life was spent in the Still Pond community.

Surviving are a niece, Mrs. Irene Melvin, of Wilmington, and a nephew, George Hepburn, New York.

Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Thursday, at 1 P. M. from the Still Pond M. E. Church, the Rev. Vaughn Moore, officiating. Interment will be at Still Pond Cemetery. B. R. Fellows will be the undertaker.

The bearers will be: William Medders, A. J. Hackett, Baynard Harper, Ernest Horsey, William L. Ford and Kennard Jones.

The supper held at the Chestertown M. E. Church last Thursday evening given by the Trustees netted \$120.30.

ELEMENTARY P. T. A. TO HOLD MEETING MONDAY

The Parent-Teacher Association of the Chestertown Elementary School will hold its regular monthly meeting in the assembly hall of the Elementary School at 7:30 P. M., Monday evening, February 18th.

A short business meeting will be followed by a Founder's Day program. Mrs. Elmer Thomas will address the association, followed by a Founder's Day Pageant under the direction of Mrs. David McCauley. Twenty-five pupils of the Elementary School will participate in the pageant.

A social hour will follow the program. Parents and friends of the school are urged to attend.

Became Bride Saturday



Mrs. Lee Startt

Prior to her marriage to Mr. Startt in a pretty ceremony at St. James Church last Saturday evening Mrs. Startt was Miss Georgianna Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodall Robinson. She is a graduate of the Chestertown High School and Washington College.

WORK BOAT BILL PASSED BY SENATE

Introduced By Senator Arthur H. Brice

HOPE EARLY ENACTMENT

Recommends For Kent Notary Posts

Increase Granted College In Budget

An increase of \$1,000 was granted Washington College in the budget submitted to the Maryland General Assembly last week by Governor Harry W. Nice. This brings the amount of state aid which the college will receive during 1936 to \$59,500.

An appropriation for \$1,000 for the newly-opened Kent and Queen Anne's General Hospital was also included in the Governor's Budget.

The Tolchester Ferry Company, however, took a serious cut, the Governor's figures granting that company only \$13,687.50, almost a \$10,000 reduction from the \$23,000 it had previously received annually from the state in the way of a subsidy.

(Special To The Enterprise)
ANNAPOLIS.—The bill, introduced by Senator Arthur H. Brice, chairman of the Game and Fish Committee, which would remove the four-cent gasoline tax on work boats, has passed the Senate.

This bill has an emergency clause making it effective from the date of final passage and the signing by the Governor.

Senator Brice said this morning that he hoped the new law would be effective at a time when it would bring relief to fishermen in their spring operations.

Recommendations for appointment as Notaries in Kent county have been made as follows by Senator Brice: CHESTERTOWN—Emma B. Lewis, M. Frances Bennett, Rebecca C. Bexley, Solomon T. Chaires, Harry C. Coleman, J. Arthur Cooper, James W. Crouch, Lewin B. Deputy, Caroline M. Ellett, Charlotte C. Hamill, Frank O. Estes, G. Edward Furbush, Lucy E. Gardner, Carrie E. Hicks, Mary A. Pennington, L. Bates Russell, Jr., J. Raymond Simpers, Alice R. Smith, Ethel P. Smith, Lawrence P. Strong, A. S. Turner, Jr., Lida B. Wheat, Raymond R. Wilkins, Sue S. Winkler.

ROCK HALL—Agnes Q. L. Francis, John W. Harmon, Thomas A. Tucker, Herbert A. Urie.

BETTERTON—Elizabeth M. Brice, Floyd N. Smith.

STILL POND—J. William Clark, KENNEDYVILLE—William B. Dukes.

MILLINGTON—John W. Higman, C. M. Melvin, Jr.

WORTON—Florence W. Hurd.

GALENA—R. R. Pennington, Jesse E. Ireland.

MASSEY—L. Gertrude Newnam.

Refuse and garbage from Sydney, Australia, of 1,250,000 will be taken by ocean currents to the antarctic. Formerly it was dumped miles off shore, much of it being carried back to land. Now it is taken twenty-five miles out whence a strong current runs to the frozen south.

BRIEF DIGEST OF WEEK'S NEWS

A synopsis of events chronicled in full elsewhere in today's Enterprise

DEATHS

Mrs. Mary E. Davis, 92, dies at home in Still Pond.

David B. Stewart, 73, native of Kent, dies in Baltimore. Buried here.

John B. Hurlock, 75, succumbs at home in Millington.

WEDDINGS

Miss Catherine Beck becomes bride of H. Gilpin Brown.

Miss Georgianna Robinson weds Lee Startt at St. James Church.

Miss Enna Baxter and Harry W. Lewis married at Christ M. P. Church.

SPORTS

Washington College loses to Hopkins in upset game here.

Collegians take lead in Chestertown basketball league.

Bill removing 4 cent gasoline tax on workboats passes Senate.

County charitable groups meet to discuss relief.

Dr. James Wallace visits Health group here.

Eight forest fires recorded in Kent during 1934.