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FARMERS' MEETING PLANS COMPLETED

Eastern Shore Ready for Big Gathering at Cambridge

MANY BODIES TO CONVENE

Cambridge, Md., Dec. 28.—Eastern Shore farmers as a unit will be hosts to those coming here on January 7, 8 and 9 to attend the annual meeting of the Maryland Farm Bureau Federation, together with the Maryland Horticultural Society and other affiliated bodies.

The invitation given in Baltimore at the meeting last January was by the Dorchester county people. Early this month representatives from the different counties met at Hurlock and decided to change the invitation to read that the entire Shore should be the hosts.

President to Speak

The meeting will start Wednesday, January 7, with sessions of the different affiliated organizations scheduled for the morning. In the afternoon the first general session will be called to order by President E. P. Cohill, who will deliver his annual address following the address of welcome to the delegates and visitors by the Mayor of Cambridge. The reports of the secretary-treasurer, covering the activities of the Maryland Farm Bureau Federation for the past year also will be presented at this meeting.

The general session Thursday afternoon will include a number of interesting addresses, among them an address by J. F. Reed, vice president of the American Farm Bureau Federation and president of the Minnesota Farm Bureau. Mrs. Charles W. Sewell, of Indiana, who will have as her subject, "Why I am Glad I Married a Farmer," also is scheduled for Thursday afternoon. Dr. A. F. Woods, president of the University of Maryland, is another of the leading speakers of this sesson.

The annual banquet is set for Thursday evening. This will be the occasion for the usual gay and enlivening program. Among the speakers expected to address the banquet guests will be Huston Thompson, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, who will talk on the farmer and the Federal Trade Commission, and Frank M. Payne, of Frederick, who will have something to say about the Atlantic Coast Poultry Producers' Association.

The final session on Friday afternoon will be devoted largely to business, the reports of committies and the election of officers.

Horticulture Society to Meet

The Horticulture Society has scheduled meetings for each morning. In addition to the business features of the opening session, production problems wil be discussed by E. C. Auchter, R. A. Jehle and E. N. Cory, of the University of Maryland. Shipping-point inspection of fruits and vegatables will be presented at the second session by Dr. F. B. Bomberger, chief of the State Department of Markets; F. G. Robb, of the United States Department of Agriculture, and James E. Klahre, of the Jersey Fruit rowers' Co-operative Association.

The final session will be devoted to discussions on roadside markerts, utilization of by-products and the future of the peach industry.

The Maryland State Dairymen's Association will hear, among other speakers, H. D. Allebach, president of the Interstate Milk Producers' Association, and C. I. Cohee, of the Philadelphia Dairy Council.

The tobacco growers have planned an interesting program that includes reports from the manager, George I. Gardner, and talks by Clarence M. Robberts and others.

An interesting feature on the program of the Vegatable Growers' Association will be a description of the tomato plant bed managed last year by Stanley Sutton, an agricultural club boy of Kent county.

Dr. C. C. Galpin, of the United States Department of Agriculture, and E. G. Jenkins, State Boys' Club agent, are down for addresses at the meeting of the home and community section of the Farm Bureau.

The meeting of the Maryland Swine Growers Association is scheduled for Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock, with J. E. Metzger, B. E. Carmichael and K. A. Clark, of the University of Maryland, among the speakers. Dr. I. K. Atherton, in charge of hog cholera control work in the state, is also expected to take part in the program.

The meeting of feeders and breeders of beef cattle has been set for Wednesday morning, with W. H. Black, of the United States Department of Agriculture; Dr. DeVoe Meade and Dr. S. H. DeVault, of the University of Maryland are on the program. A round-table discussion on cooperation in the buying and selling of beef cattle will be led by J. W. Jones, of Olney.

Other Organizations

The Maryland Sheep Growers' Association will meet Thursday morning, and following the address of President J. L. McCormick, of Belair, and the report of the secretary-tresurer, Dr. F. B. Bomberger, of College Park, will listen to addresses by B. E. Carmichcal, live stock specialist for the extension service, and by Dr. DeVoe Meade and K. A. Clark, of the University of Maryland.

The Maryland Beekeepers' Association has planned an interesting progra, with J. I. Hambleton, chief of the Office of Bee Culture, United States Department of Agriculture; E. L. Sechrist, of the same departmen; A. B. Hiett, of the J. B. Lewis Company; John Haughey, of Belair, and John Thompson, of Lloyds, as the speakers.

Probably one of the most interesting meetings is being planned by the Crop Improvement Association, which has scheduled a "Soybean Rally" as a sort of preliminary to the National Soybean Association meeting next August. The speakers are W. J. Morse, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Prof. George Schuster, of Delaware; J. E. Metxger, agronomist for the University of Maryland Experiment Station, and C. C. Gelder, of Princess Anne.

The Crop Improvement Association will also hold its annual corn show in conjunction with the meetings and this is expected to arouse considerable interest, due to the fact that it will be the first corn show to be held on the Eastern Shore since the revival of the state exhibit.

The corn show will be held under the auspices of the Maryland Crop Improvement Association, of which Henry Rigdon, Forest Hill, is president, and J. E. Metzger, of College Park, secretary. The show will be the first state corn exhibit to be held on the Eastern Shore and is expected to attract considerable attention from the rapidly increasing number of good seed-corn growers in that section of the state.

CHANGING DATES

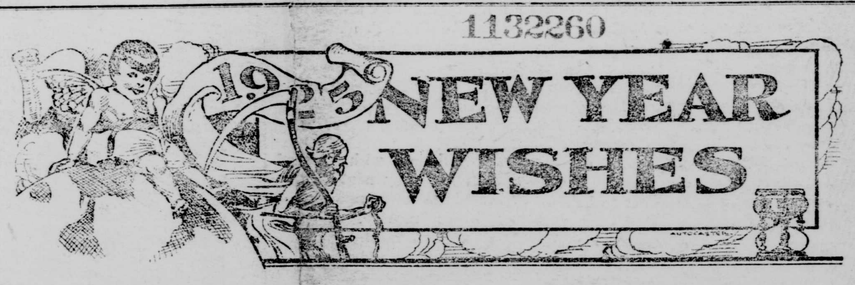
By THE CRACKER

It always kind of got my goat, this celebratin' New Year's day, an' if I only had a vote I'd pass it off like yesterday. I'd let the span of fleetin' years glide on unnoticed into space without a clickin' of the gears which marks a lap from off the race. 'Twould save a lot o' sentiment in resolutions always broke, from bein' held up to contempt and ridiculed by clownish blokes. If calendars I could annul, the landlord might forget the rent; and creditors heed not the bills now due on which they are intent. I think that life would be a charm down on Tahati's tropic isle; where calendars spread no alarm and last year's fashions are in style. Where New Year's day like July Fourth, goes all unmentioned in the grist, and years have neither end nor source and cause no struggle to exist. Where memory is just a haze and naught to make a fellow blue; like that old slogan "thirty days" which always means a bill that's due. Where monkeys dwell in blissful ease bemoaning evolution's state, which changed the world from tranquil peace to slavery of changing dates.

MR. AND MRS. LOUIS KNOTTS IN AUTO ACCIDENT

While driving across the causeway Christmas eve, Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Knotts Jr. collided with Harry Wisher, colored. Wisher's car was standing at the right of the road, while he was making some minor repairs on it, when the car driven by Mr. Knotts, coming at a good clip, struck the left front wheel and fender. The impact of the blow caused Mr. Knotts' car to skid, turning it over and throwing both Mr. and Mrs. Knotts to the pavement. Mrs. Knotts was cut about the face and head and otherwise bruised, while Mr. Knotts was so seriuosly injured that he was taken immediately to the Easton Hospital. The last reports received are to the effect that he was not as seriously injured as was at first feared, and he is doing as well as could be expected. Mr. Wisher was uninjured, the damage to his car consisting of broken wheel and a demolished fender.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Everngam spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. B. Sargent Wells, of Baltimore, returning Sunday night.



FROM BALTIMORE TO ARIZONA, BY WAY OF FLORIDA

Before leaving Denton, I was requested by one of the Denton editors to write an account of my western trip.

To begin with, I boarded the great steamer Allegheny, of the Merchants and Miners Transportation Company, on November 7th in Baltimore, to sail for Jacksonville, Fla. The trip covered three days and four nights, down the Chesapeake and out on the Atlantic and then up the St. James river, 14 miles to Jacksonville.

At the time of sailing, the papers gave warning of an approaching storm from the northwest; the tail end of which struck us out on the Atlantic, creating discomfort among a portion of the passengers, by way of sea sickness. The majority, however, were not discomfitted by any disturbances of the mighty deep, and the ship being large and well equipped, enjoyed every portion of the trip, including the eleven very fine meals served. As we sailed Friday, Sunday found us out on the ocean and as there were probably 125 passengers on board, among whom there were many who desired some sort of religious service, Captain Fratt, a splendid gentleman, called on your writer to conduct a service and preach to the passengers, which he did with a degree of satisfaction to himself and seemingly satisfaction to the captain and a large assembly of passengers. These passengers were practically all heading for Florida, where they intended to spend the winter and had come from different northern and eastern states to make the trip from Baltimore.

Monday morning found us in the port of Savannah, Ga., where the ship remained all day unloading and loading freight. This gave the passengers the opportunity to spend the day sight-seeing in this southern city. Here we had the first opportunity to see the bales of cotton piled high practically all of which had been picked by the negro population of Georgia. Many of us then went to see a historic plantation, where there were many of the old huts and plantation buildings still standing. There were many places of interest in the city of Savannah but your writer will only mention two others which he visited. One of these was the Manse of the Independent Presbyterian church, where the late President Woodrow Wilson and his first wife were married—made historic by this event. The other place was Christ Episcopal church, which was organized by George Whitefield about 1742 and of which John Wesley was rector from 1743 to 1746, and in which he instituted the first Protestant Sunday school in the world, according to the records of that church.

At 7 o'clock, p. m., lines were cast off and the ship again turned her bow toward the ocean. When passengers awakened next morning and assembled for breakfast, the ship was speeding up the St. James river to land in a little while at Jacksonville. On landing the passenger group was broken up; some seking the first train out for the resorts on the east coast of Florida; others including your writer seeking trains for resorts on the west coast.

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NEW GARAGE AND SERVICE STATION

On the state road north of Denton Mr. J. Tice is operating the new garage which has recently been erected of cement blocks. It is a thoroughly equipped service station, repair shop and rest room combined and will be of great convenience to tourists. Mr. Tice is a thoroughgoing, up-to-date business man and expert mechanic and the general motoring public will do well to patronize him.

APPROACHING WEDDING

Mr. Richard C. North, with the Home Friendly Insurance Company, and Miss Mary Hoffman, of Denton, will be married on New Year's Day. The couple will reside in Denton.

BREEDING'S DRUG STORE OPENING TODAY

Mr. W. R. Breeding, of Federalsburg, has purchased the drug store formerly known as the Denton Drug Company, located in the C. & P. Telephone building, Market street.

Today the drug store has opened under the management of Mr. T. Mark Breeding, son of Mr. W. R. Breeding.

The store will be run as a first class drug emporium and will also carry a line of stationery, candy, cigars and a well-equipped soda fountain.

Dr. Albert E. Schuh, who for many years has been connected with the old firm, will have charge of the prescription department.

Beginning on the first day of the new year every one wishes the new store a prosperous and happy year and many of them.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT M. P. CHURCH

Tuesday evening, December 30th the annual Sunday school Christmas program and treat was held in the lecture room of the Methodist Protestant church. The room was filled and the decorations on the platform were very well arranged. The two Christmas trees with their lights added a Christmas touch to the scene. The electric lights for the trees were loaned by Mr. Keating of the 5c to $1.00 store.

At the conclusion of the program Rev. J. G. Hooker, pastor of the church presented a present to Mr. T. P. Fisher superintendent of the school in behalf of the teachers. A few minutes later all were surprised to see Santa Claus arrive with large bundles of candy and nuts for the children.

The program for the evening which was under the direction of Miss Mattie Moore, was as follows:

Song, Glad Christmas Day.
Responsive reading
A Welcome, Anna Moore and Samuel Baxter
A Christmas Welcome, Gertrude Young
A Welcome to You, Everett Hinderer
Recitation, Snowflakes, Jean Temple
Song, Ring Out, Christmas Bells
Exercise, The Christmas Story, by seven children
Recitation, Our Wish, James Baker
Exerlise, Message of the Bells, by three children
Recitation, Winifred Towers
Song, Beautiful Star
Monologue, Times Have Changed
Recitation, Merry Christmas Bells, Charlotte Temple
Recitation, The Weighty Decision, Eizabeth Wine
Recitation, The Christmas Bell, Carville Fleetwood
Recitation, If I Were Santa Claus, Charles Moore
Song, Sleep On, Infant King, Primary department
Erercise, The Christmas Story, by Helen George and Harrison Young
Recitation, Santa's investigation
Song, Behold I Bring You Good Tidings
Recitation, Suppose, Frank Griffin
Recitation, Spirit of Christmas.
Song, Glad Christmas Carols, chorus and duet
Recitation, Keeping Christmas, by Frances Wilson
Reading, Christmas Memories
Song, Receive Your King
Bethlehem Town, solo and chorus
Closing recitation, Lillian Towers,
Addresses by the superintendent and pastor.
Closing song

MOONSHINE STILL RAIDED NEAR ANDERSONTOWN

Sheriff James Temple and Bailiff William McMullen raided the home of Jake Prattis, colored near Andersontown, Saturday last, capturing a five gallon still and a quantity of fire water. Prattis escaped a few jumps ahead of the officers and is still at large.

This is a step in the right direction, and it is hoped that more will follow until the dispensers of "moonshine" and "liquid lightning" are properly housed in the jail. Let the good work go on.

PRESTON MOTOR CO. ENTERTAINS OWNERS

Tuesday, December 23 at 7:30 p. m., John Noble, proprietor of the Preston Motor Company, gave a turkey dinner and entertainment for four hundred guests, most of whom purchased from him Ford cars or tractors during the year of 1924. As no hall in Preston was large enough he conducted the affair in his show and storage rooms.

Henry Ford was urged to deliver a short talk by radio from Detroit and this was received at the dinner through a large "Super Heterodyne" radio set which was installed in the show room of the Preston Motor Company for this purpose. Hon. T. Alan Goldsborough also spoke.

An orchestra played during the dinner and supplied music for a dance that was held after the dinner and entertainment.

The very best vocal talent was secured for the evening. The guests joined in and sang many of the old songs which we love to hear. There were also many other interesting events which amused the guests.

The show room was decorated to convey the spirit of Christmas, and a large Christmas tree was placed in one corner of the room.

This idea of Mr. Noble's was a fine one.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

The Christmas program given at the Church of the Brethren was all that could have been wished for. The following program was given:

Song by congregation
Devotions by reading John 1:1-18
The Christmas, song by Myrtle Smith
Farmer Boys, by five Junior boys.
Titles of the King, by beginners
Exercise by Junior A's
Reading, Mrs. Aura Seese.
Song, O Little Town of Bethlehem, Junior B's
Exercise by Primaries
Story, Mary Alice McDaniel
Recitation by Robert Seese
Song by congregation

A christmas pageant was then given in which two norators gave the Christmas story as recorded in the Gospels. A visible and an invisible choir gave the story in song while three special tableaux, one of the three wise men following the star, second the shepherds watching their flocks in the fields at night, and third the scene of the nativity wih shepherds and Magi worshipping the Christ Child.

The audience room was crowded and lasting impressons were made on those present.

HEARN OIL CO. ERECTS NEW STORAGE TANK AT W. DENTON

The Hearn Oil Company has recently erected a new storage tank at the wharf at West Denton, holding 17,000 gallons. It was tested for leaks a few days ago by pumping it full of water. The Denton Fire Department's engine was used for the purpose requiring 35 minutes for the filling operation. The location of the oil and gasoline business at the warf makes it advantageous and more economical than shipping by the railroad as the oil and gas can be shipped in tank boats at a much cheaper freight rate.

MRS. SARAH FRANCES POOLE

Mrs. Sarah Frances Poole, of Federalsburg, widow of the late Henry M. Poole, died Sunday night, December 21, after a lingering illness, in her seventy-ninth year. She is survived by the following sons and daughters: Rufus E., of Cordova; Norman, of Baltimore; Mrs. Wash Noble, of Denton; Harry, Earl, Clinton, and Mrs. Ernest Wright, of Federalsburg. Funeral services were held in Union M. E. church Tuesday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, Rev. F. C. MacSorley, pastor, officiating, with interment in the family lot in the Federalsburg cemeter.

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E. H. HIRS GARAGE FOURTH AND MARKET ST. BURNS

The fire alarm sounded at 5:30 Friday morning, and the firemen were on the job in two minutes with the hose attached to the hydrant ready for business. The fire, when discovered was confined to the front of the building which was warmed by a large coal stove, whose overheated condition is supposedly the cause of the conflagation.

At first it was believed that chemical could be applied but upon opening the door it was found that the heat was too intense, and almost immediately the entire glass front burst out sending the flames nearly to the middle of the street. The hose was turned on the seething mass and soon succeeded in driving the flames back sufficiently to permit the firement to work at closer range. However, it was apparent that nothing could be done to save the building, so the hose was turned on the old parsonage which stands adjacent and which was already burning. While the hosemen were holdng this in check, others were trying to remove the cars stored in the other end of the garage. The first attempt made however resulted in wedging the car of Mr. Merritt Redden against the doorway in such a manner as to completely block all further exit from the building at that door, so that the rest of the cars in that end were a total loss. Mr. Redden's car standing at the doorway escaped serious injury. A boat belonging to Mr. Redden, which was stored in the extreme end of the building, was carried ou uninjured. The cars which are a total loss were a Franklin belonging to Mr. George T. Redden, a Chalmers belonging to Mr. J. Ed Nichols, a Ford belonging to Mr. Walter George, and a Ford belonging to Mr. Hirs. No insurance was carried on any of the cars except the one belonging to Mr. Merritt Redden.

The garage has been owned and operated by Mr. E. H. Hirs for several years and being located at Fourth and Market streets, was a very convenient hostelry for repair work and storage purposes. Mr. Hirs has been one of the leading automobile salesmen of this section for years.

We understand the building was fairly well covered by insurance. The damage to the M. E. parsonage was slight.

ANOTHER DISASTRIOUS FIRE AT RIDGELY

The Denton fire company was again called out at 2:30 Sunday morning, the call being from Ridgely. The firemen upon their arrival found the store belonging to Mr. A. W. Saulsbury, and occupied by Messrs. Applebaum and Gately, to be in a mass of flames, too far advanced to be saved, but the efficient work of the firemen prevented the conflagaton from spreading to the adjacent buildings. This is the fifth fire loss sustained by Mr. Saulsbury in the past few years, and its origin as in three other cases is unknown.

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TOAD HOLLOW BREVITIES

While Abe Grimsley was in jail last week the stork happened 'round to his house an' left twins. Abe was let out Saturday an' Monday he was figurin' how to get back in again.

Parson Savemall was in Judge Applewyne's court the other day lookin' over the records to see how many of his new converts was backslidin'.

Pete Doolittle's yeller dog, Shep, tried to follow Pete home from Hooch Hooligan's place the other night, but he got so dizzy tryin' to keep on Pete's trail that he had to stop several times an' get his bearings.

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