Queenstown

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...ing Men Able to Reach Ho...

...You Know

OFF THE CUFF

That Monday was an ideal day for duck hunters with a brisk breeze a little dash of frost and ice. Hunters report good luck.

That John C. Wallis, once a prominent merchant of Queenstown, but now retired on his farm near Centreville, tells the folks that it is not too late to start Chrismas shopping, as the yuletide is just around the corner.

That Joe Ginsberg who has been a regular sport at the major race tracks in the State this Fall, hands out the lucky advice:

Careful, when you choose a horse;
Your bank roll might grow thinner.
There is only one safe course,
Always pick the winner.

That an unexpected sea breeze blowed in Queenstown Sunday even ing and continued until late Monday evening. The thermometer was glad to report that they had a few points left as they only registered 22 degrees. A few flakes of snow fell hroughout the State, but only short life.

That former Interior Secretary, Harold L. Ickes true analysis of John L. Lewis: "Our Own Domestic Hitler." Another big man after looking at his (Lewis) photo in the daily press, remarked: "Bull Dog Face . . . . and he don' deceive his looks!"

That Johnnie Jones, one of our handy-andy utility sports, hates to putout, received a special telephone call several weeks ago to enjoy a few games of pinochle, but when the caller made out she was an operator and asked him to deposit 30 cents for the call, he lost all interest in pinochle. The call came from across the street. A good joke on Johnny, but he couldn't take it. He likes to dish it out, though.

That the primary and general elections were so warm that a bunch of major candfdates—Democrats and Republicans—failed to pay Federal and State pay-roll taxes. It seems that their office help wanted their Social Security slip.

That our oystermen were complaining last week because of no market. This week they had plenty of market, high winds, frost and ice.

That Dr. James M. Corkran, one of Centreville's much-beliked physicians, is not strong for the limelight, but he had to take several stitches in the fore finger of a novice rabbit hunter, one day several weeks ago. While hunting, the dogs ran a rabbit in a tree hollow and the hunter in trying to get Mr. Rabbit out, Mr. Opossum got in the affray and severely bit the hunter's forefinger. The hunter knows better now.

That we thought we had used up all the Spring poet material, but it seems that a new brand known as the all-season is the latest and we have to dofe our toppiece to Harry Roberts who years ago delighted in making his youngsters happy at Christmas. This is his advice:

Inspect your Christmas tree lights
For Flaws,
To keep your home happy for
Santa Claus.

That the Tidewater folks have been good to our watermen—especially those of Kent Island Narrows. When our rivers and creeks were frozen up they opened the Narrows bars to them, which was a great help in keeping the family larder running perfect. But, when the good sumaritan, who several years ago opened Poker-straight-five bar, to our oystermen with its cozy coves and well-protected from the elements, he was a life-saver to a flock of our oystermen. One dip of a strong hand ofttimes produced 40 or 50 selects, which ready sell for $1 or $2 each, with plenty of buyers.

PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mr. George E. Lane a resident of our town for over sixty years is quite ill at his apartment over the Postoffice building. is slightly improved.

Mr. Frank Lane, engineer on the B. & O. R. R. of Philadelphia, returned home after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Lane on Steamboat avenue.

Capt. Willie Chelberg who anticipated several months in the South this winter, or until red red robbin starts to bobbin, was all doller up with one of his cheap suits that he had purchased for the trip: two-piece suit, $125; hat $23; shoes, $18, necktie $6, shirts $10 The captain says he has had no pleasure for several years and he has saved up $1,200 in dimes to make the trip.

That stores throughout the Shore closed during the war on Wednesday afternoon to let their help assist farmers with their work, but most of them are keeping open six days a week now. The merchants of Queenstown still continue the habit as they claim they need the afternoon rest to keep them active for the balance of the week's work.

That Ellwood Collier with four brothers, fought in the last war for our grand old U. S. A., opines: "To think all during the war we had blackouts, dimouts, and now, when peace is supposed to have come, we have to put up with John L. Lews and his miners. If the miners made $1,000 a week, they would squawk. Our childhen remember nothing but strikes, shortages and what not, due to such people as John L. Lewis and his associates."

That Thomas Waldron and son, Gordon and Jennings McFarland of the Shamrock Hunt Club of Wilmington, Del., spent a week with friends near Centreville, and after covering several thousands acres of land had the pleasure of seeing one hare out of gun shot go on his way. But they took a chance that the game warden was off the job and parked on the County Dispensary Reserve where they soon had a good bag and invited their newly-made friends to partake of their good luck.

To Rebuild Wye Island Bridge Without Draw

An application of the State Roads Commission for War Department approval for a fixed bridge to be constructed across Wye Narrows, between the mainland and Wye Island, below Queenstown, will be considered at a public hearing at the Fire House in Queenstown, Monday, December 9, at 2:30 p. m.

All interested parties are urged to be present or be represented at the meeting.

The plans submitted are on file and may be seen by interested parties. The plans indicate that the proposed bridge will be constructed immediately west of the existing highway draw bridge on the road from Wye Island to Carmichael, the existing bridge to be removed upon completion of the proposed structure. A horizontial clearance of 40.0 feet and a vertical clearance of 10. feet will be provided at the channel span. The clearance of the existing bridge with the draw in a closed position are 40.0 feet horizontal and 3.4 feet vertical. The above vertical clearances refer to mean high water.

NOTICE TO THE KIDDIES

We will publish letters to Santa Claus next week and week after. Be sure and get your letter in on time. All letters to Santa must be in on Wednesday morning, otherwise they may be left out.

NOTICE TO OUR ADVERTISERS

All advertising matter must be in our office not later than Monday December 23, as we will go to press December 24, Christmas week.

Centreville Home, Kent Island Barn, Fire Victims

The Queenstown Volunteer Fire Company have done noble work this week, and received much praise from the citizens of Centreville and Kent Island.

The first alarm was sounded at 12:45 on Sunday and in 20 minutes the fire company was on the job in the Romancoke area, and saved the barn of Ernshaw Cook, which contained 2,000 bushels of soy beans, besides about four thousand feet of lumber in seasoning and bathroom fixtures. Half of the roof was in flames when the firemen arrived, but it was soon under control with further loss to barn or contents. The loss is about $5,000 covered by insurance. Cause of the fire was not determined.

At almost the same minute Monday an alarm was sent in from Centreville, to rush to the home of Mrs. Emory Powell. Our firemen was a life-saver to the adjoining property and the owners and other citizens gave them plenty of praise and claims that the Queenstown equipment is second to none on theShore. The house was totally destroyed with some of the furniture. Loss partially covered by insurance.

These two fires prove that while Queenstown is one of the smallest major towns in the county there is nothing wrong with her speed and good fellowship. Queenstown owes a plenty to the good folks that have the "dough" and ready and willing to donate and make Queenstown one of the modern towns of the Shore. Here's our five to the good folks that make Queenstown what it is.

Sugar Rationing Method Explained

Clarification as to how consumers will obtain sugar rations under the recently announced reorganization of the Office of Price Administration was made last Wednesday by Harry R. Yingling, OPA District Director.

"With elimination by December 1, 1946 of the OPA District Offices, a Sugar Branch Office in the same location as the District Office will receive all but three consumer applications for sugar rations," Mr. Yingling said.

"Although application forms will be available at your Sugar Branch Office, the following consumer applications should be mailed direct to the Regional Issuance Unit, now handling all issuances of family ration books and other consumer ration evidence, Post Office Box 48, Station C. New York 14, N. Y.:

1. Application for sugar ration book Form R-146.
2. Application for replacement of family ration book Form R-194.
3. Application for furlough or temporary rations Form R-363.

"Special sugar requirements, such as those for illness cases and for bee-feeders will be handled by your Sugar Branch Office."

Disabled Veterans will Not Lose Compensation

Disabled veterans need not fear that accepting employment will deprive them of part or all of their compensation for service-connected permanent disability, it was made plain today by Mr. Walter E. Quenstedt, Manager of the Cambridge Sub-Regional Veterans Administration Office.

It has been established, Mr. Quenstedt said that no reduction will be made in the compensation received by a permanently disabled veteran, even though he is able to earn his living through a full time job despite his handicap.

In fact, the Veterans Administration official said, the entire Veterans Administration rehabilitation program is directed toward making disabled veterans self-sufficient independent citizens regardless of the severity of their permanent health impairment. It has been ruled, however, that their benefits from the government will continue.

Food Prices Drop, Clothing Takes a Rise

A market basket of 20 foods cost consumers in 12 large cities an average of 1 to 2 per cent less on November 12, than two weeks earlier, according to a survey made by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The cost of clothing increased approximately 1 per cent in four cities during the month ending November 16. This increases is attributed primarily to higher ceiling prices granted manufacturers of shoes, shirts, work clothes, and similar articles during the last months of price control.

No major price advances in clothing have been reported since November 12, when prices were decontrolled, and at the same time no immediate improvement is apparent in the supply of such scarce items as sheets and shirts.

Meats, poultry, butter and eggs led the decline in retail food prices between Octobr 29 and November 12.

Meat prices were lower in all cities on November 12 than on October 29, with increased supplies and consumer resistance to high prices. Round steak prices on the average, dropped as much as 17 cents a pound in Washington, 9 cents in Boston and 8 cents in Los Angeles. Pork Chop prices fell as much as 13 cents a pound in Pittsburg, 10 cents in Boston, and 9 cents in Washington.

Chicken prices declined in all of the 12 cities—more than seasonally in most cities.

Butter prices were down in all cities at a season when they usually increase.

After January 3rd It Will be Senator O'Conor

Leaders of the Democratic party—now the minority party—in the United States Senate have asked Governor O'Conor to appear promptly, ready to take his contested seat on January 3, the day the new Senate convenes.

The Governor is expected to follow their wishes and his action will involve his resignation from the Governorship at least five days prior to the end of his term, January 8, and will place an "interim" Governor in office for a few days.

The desire of national leaders to have Mr. O'Conor on hand at the open session of the Senate are based on at least three considerations:

1—To have him on hand to help protect his Democratic seat against efforts of Col. D. John Markey, Republican, apparently narrowly defeated by Mr. O'Conor in the recent election, to have the Senate refuse to seat O'Conor.

2—To have the full Democratic strength in voting position as early as possible in the session.

3—To enable Senate committee assignments to be decided as promptly as possible. Under Senate practices Mr. O'Conor would be in line for appointment to two major committees. He has not expressed a preference in assignments.

Loan Rates o nCorn Set At $1.28 per Bushel

Corn Loan rates for Maryland farmers are standardized at $1.28 a bushel of No. 3 grade yellow or white corn, compared to the national average loan rate of $1.15 a bushel, Mr. Blandford advised. The loan rate is based on the parity price for corn, which was $1.28 on October 1, 1946. Parity on corn a year earlier was $1.12 a bushel. Last year's average loan rate was $1.01 a bushel.

To be eligible for loan, corn must be No. 3 grade or better, except that it can exceed the 15.5 percent moisture content standard, and can grade No. 4 on test weight per bushel.

Maryland farmers can get these loans on farm stored corn from Dec. 1, 1946 ,till July 31, 1947. Corn that grades higher than No. 3 will provide the owner a premium on loan rate of ½ cent a bushel for No. 2 grade, and 1 cent per bushel for No. 1 grade.

Coal Conservation Commission Warning

Gov. Herbert R. O'Conor, head of the Coal Conservation Commission sent the following telegram to Town Commissioners throughout Maryland:

Following my appointment yesterday of Coal Conservation Committee, I have received from J. A. Krug, Solid Fuels Administrator for War, telegram declaring such action essential and suggesting notification to communities of Maryland that less than two days production of bituminous coal is available and that these supplies will soon be exhausted unless the most prudent and drastic rationing is applied by the communities themselves. Further suggests that each community should determine what activities should be given preference and what curtailed, so that the health and general welfare of the community may best be maintained. Administrator Krug further advises that comunitmy should determine whether availale coal stocks should be conserved by dim out, closing or restricting amusement places, closure of schools, curtailment of power for industrial purposes or whether in its opinion coal stocks available in the community are sufficient to justify no action.

I am issuing Proclamation declaring existence of State of Emergency and offer you fullest cooperation of State Coal Conservation Committee, J. E. Hilbin, Chairman, address Baltimore Association of Commerce Offices. Administrator Krug also extends fullest cooperation of Federal Solid Fuels Administration. As Governor of Maryland I offer you every possible assistance to safeguard interests of our citizens.

The School for Blind Appeals for Your Help

The time has come when The Maryland School for the Blind, now in its ninety-third year, finds it necessary to appeal to its friends for added financial support.

This is not a state school as many people believe. In 1853 the following noted citizens of Baltimore became interested in the blind: Benjamin F. Newcomer, JohnGlen (who was blind), Jacob I. Cohen, Jr., William G. Baker, J. Smith Hollins and Dr. John N. McJilton, These men believed it was time that such handicapped children should be educated in their own state and not sent to Pennsylvania. These original incorporators obtained generous sums of money from public spirited citizens and with an additional amount of $5,000 from the state were able to establish The Maryland School for the Blind.

The management since that time has been vested in a self-perpetuating board of directors. Each year the state has given a certain amount of financial assistance, but, if it had not been for the very generous donations which these men and others have given, the school could not have functioned.

Why not make out a check now, payable to The Maryland School for the Blind, and mail to Mr. Harry man G. Bosley, Treasurer, TheMaryland School for the Blind, Overlea 6. Maryland.

Thanks Public For Support

The official vote for Congress in the First Congressional District was —Miller, 27, 364;Roe 26,360.Congressman Elect Miller carried five counties and I carried four counties.

I feel that I again wish to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to the people of the Eastern Shore for having permitted me to serve as their Congressman for the last two years. The work has been pleasant, interesting, and, I hope, has resulted in my making many friends and having done many things for the benefit of my constitutents.

Again thanking you for the great honor you conferred upon me, and with every wish for the success, prosperity and growth of our beloved section, I am

Yours very sincerely
Dudley G. Roe

Missing Men Able to Reach Home Safely

Nine persons—missing in three small craft on the bay during the high winds and lowering temperatures of Sunday night and early Monday—reached shore safely at different points Monday morning, police reported.

Police and Coast Guard officials, who had been conducting an intensive search, said seven men either had reached their homes or were enroute home.

Two were held for observation at the Easton Hospital. Both were suffring from exposure, it was reported.

The men treated at the Easton Hospital are Michael J. Boniarski, 25, and Henry J. Krepewski, 22 Baltimoreans, who waded ashore on Kent Island Monday—almost 24 hours after their small cruiser Dottie had developed motor trouble in the bay.

At the hospital, the men said they were adrift all night before their boat went aground about 300 yards off shore at a point near Stevensville.

Both leaped into the water, but in some manner became separated. Krajewski reached the beach and made his way to a house some distance away. He told State police that he and his companion had been crawling through knee-deep water in an effort to reach shore.

A police searching party was sent out, scanning the shore above the Matapeake Ferry slip, and a Maryland Airlines plane circled overhead, seeking some trace of the second man.

Nearly two hours afte[illegible] had reached shore, police fou[illegible] ski's footprints and [illegible] through a woods and [illegible] fields. He was foun[illegible] vacant house, a[illegible] ice.

The men [illegible] Middle Ri[illegible] for a sho[illegible] not heard [illegible] sea rescue [illegible] them.

In another [illegible] 32-foot cabin c[illegible] Wilford A. Coun[illegible] which was bei[illegible] quarters by the ow[illegible] ford Council, Jr., of [illegible] Va.; his uncle, Thom[illegible] Linthicum Heights, an[illegible] Karns, of Lake Shore, hit a [illegible] object and drifted ashore a mile northwest of Sandy Point.

Mr. Chase and Dr. Carns waded ashore and Dr. Council stayed aboard until the boat began to leak, and then followed.

All made their way to a house and latter returned home.

Expect 1946 Incomes Will Set New Record

Figures compiled by government experts indicate that individual incomes will set a record of around 165 billion dollars this fiscal year—exceeding the booming war year of 1945 by 5 billions.

Moreover, information gathered by the taxation staff employed by congress suggests that even this estimate might be revised upward before the fiscal year ends next June 30.

This raised a possibility that the federal budget, thrown out of kilter by depression and war, might be brought into balance.

All these things are based on the assumption that the nation will remain relatively free of any large-scale strikes for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Registration at 18 Is Compulsory

While the Selective Training and Service Act, as amended and extended until March 31, 1947, exempts men under 19 years of age from induction, except as volunteers, immediate registration at the age of 18 remains compulsory.

Any such person becoming 18 years of age is required to present himself immediately for registration by the local board for the area in which he has his permanent home or for the one in which he may happen to be on that day.