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PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

On Saturday evening last week Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schelberg entertained the Young Adult of the Methodist church at a Buffet supper. Among those present were: Rev. and Mrs. James R. Hughes; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hogue; Dr. and Mrs. William Martin; Mr. and Mrs. Ross Swann; Mr. and Mrs. William Crouch, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Knox. This was also the occasion of Mr. Schelberg's birthday.

Pfc. and Mrs. Kenneth Chance of Clarkville, Tenn., are spending some time with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B .Melivn and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Chance. On Monday evening they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Melvin and Miss Florence Melvin. Pfc. Chance leaves soon to report to Camp LeJeune, N. C Mrs. Chance will remain with her parents for a short time.

Mrs. Bessie Wrightson of Bryantown is a patieot at Easton Memorial Hospital. She had a serious fall on Friday evening, and was rushed to the hospital in the Queenstown ambulance.

Mrs. James Mann is confined to her bed ,and is under the care of physician. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Mary Catherine Clark of Washington, D.C., was the holiday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marshbank, Jr.

Mr .and Mrs. Walter Davis were the holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Baker.

Mr .and Mrs. Lex Radcliffe of Baltimore were the holiday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Roberts.

Mrs. Charles Barranco, Jr. and daughter, Mary of Baltimore, were the weekend guests of Mr .and Mrs. George Steinfelt and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilghman McNamee entertained a group of relatives and friends from Baltimore over the weekend.

Mrs. Catherine Dawkins has moved into the apartment over the Rathskeller.

Mrs. Ella Walters of Baltimore is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walters and Mr .and Mrs. Robert Walters.

Mr .and Mrs. Freddie Quimby spent last week in Ruthsburg with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rowe of Dover, Del., sepnt the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B.H. Lane.

Mrs. John D. Thompson of Baltimore, visited her sister, Mrs. Jas. G. Goff of Belle Haven paraments.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Maget and son, Stevie spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Stein and Mr. Joseph Ginsberg.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Kinnamon, Jr. ,and family were Mr. and Mrs. Earle Carter and children of Kenton, Del. Mr. and Mrs. Groome Mears and daughter of Middletown, Del., Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Carter of Frederick, Md. and Mr .and Mrs. Harry Palmer and children of Carroll Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Walters and family of Federalsburg were the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walters.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Treichler and family of Phoenixville, Pa., spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Nellie Poet.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Barsotti and little Howell and Rebecca Boulden of Baltimore were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Knox.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steinfelt and daughters spent Sunday at Camp Meade.

Mr. and Mrs. Loris Magnani had as their guest for the weekend Mrs. Pauline Baker, Mrs. Mary Doster, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Doster and daughter, Gail of Baltimore.

Mrs. Gertrude Roser entered Easton hospital on Sunday and was operated upon on Tuesday. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Jessie Rennie proprietor of Rose Lawn restaurant, left on Saturday last week to motor to Modesta, Cal., to bring home her mother who was sick at the home of her daughter. Her mother died while Mrs. Rennie was enroute ,and Mrs. Rennie is flying to Chester, Pa., by Wednesday with the body. We extend our humblest sympathy in her bereavement.

Mrs. Robert Walters and Mrs. Bryan Walters visited Mrs. Lucy Melvin and Mrs. Bessie Wrightson at Easton Hospital on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lemon of Wilmington, were the weekend guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greaves, Sr.

Grasonville

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Benton and daughter, Mrs. Jack Moore of Centreville and Miss Marilyn Golt of Chester, met Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Pearsoll at Camp Meade on Sunday to visit with Billy Benton who was shipped out on Monday.

Mrs. Thomas Ewing and youngest daughter have joined her husband at Ocean City for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hobbs of Chester, Pa., spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Horney and sister, Ethel and all of them spent a few days with Warrant Officer and Mrs. Gordon Lowe in Lee Hall, Va., and also visited in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Alma Lopez was a Baltimore visitor on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Graf and children of University Park, Md., Mrs. Grace White and son of Baltimore were the holiday and weekend guests of Mrs. Grace Collier. and son Woodrow and Mr. and Mrs. William Harrison and daughter of Annapolis spent Sunday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Dunfy and daughter of Baltimore were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Sadler and son Jimmy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Abbott and son of Dundalk, spent the weekend with her parents ,Mr. and Mrs. Oliver King.

Mr .and Mrs. Alton Pierson spent last week on a motor trip to Detroit.

Mrs. Linda Messick of Lakeland, N.J. spent last week here with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thomas and on Sunday they carried her back as far as Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Paula Palmer of Romancoke spent the weekend with Miss Phyllis Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Jose' Lopez and Mrs. Viola Thompson visited Mr. and Mrs. George Curlett in Catonsville over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Elston Lynch and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Perry spent Sunday sight-seeing in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Edmund Tolson of Baltimore, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Chance and daughter, Shirlee and atended Baccalaureate vices at Stevensville High School at 11 A.M. on Sunday, in which Shirlee was a graduate and later all of them and Mrs. Mable Paswater enjoyed the Fish Fry at Rock Hall.

Mrs. Jack Reese and daughter, Alice and Mrs. Lorraine Ruth Reed spent Monday in Philadelphia, Pa., and visited Mrs. Reese.

Mrs. Ida Horney of Baltimore, spent the weekend with Mrs. Agnes Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Summers had as their guests over the holidays, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patton, Mr. and Mrs. George Hook, and Mr. and Mrs. Murphy of Baltimore and Mr. Guyther Dawkins of Elkton and Mr .and Mrs. Jack Truitte of New Castle, Del., and Mr. Johnny Jones of Wilmington.

Those visiting Mr. and Mrs. S.E. Paswater over the holidays were: Dr. and Mrs. Frank Blalock of Rome Ga., Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Eick and sons of Whitehead, N.J. and Mrs. Anna Meisseau or Middletown, N.J.

GAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Gernert gave their daughter, Lillian, a lovely party to celebrate her 18th birthday on Thursday evening May 28 at the K of P Hall. Many lovely gifts were received, the group enjoyed dancing and games and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haynes of Baltimore, spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Margaret Kornbau.

Mr. and Mrs. Brisban Jones of Baltimore were the holiday guests of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Jones.

Mrs. Jeanette Nash, Mr. and Mrs.

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Former Fire Chief At Chestertown Dies

With but three days remaining before his 78th birthday, death came Thursday afternoon May 28, to Walter Wright, who was Chestertown's first fire chief when the volunteer company was reorganized in its present form in the early 1920s.

Mr. Wright ,who lived with his wife on Queen Street, had been ill for sometime, and only recently returned from observation at Baltimore hospital.

He was the son of the late Samuel L. and Sarah Helen Wright, and moved to Kent from his birthplace, Bordentown, N.J., at an early age. His first home here was Riverside, and in 1907 he moved to Radcliffe Manor, on the edge of town. In 1923 he moved to Goosehill Farm, and then to his present Queen St. Home. Shortly before his death he had been semi-retired and had held the position of night bridge tender at the Chester River bridge.

Mr. Wright was not only active in the reorganization of the fire company but he also was a large contributor to this and other civic enterprises and took an active part in the life of the community in the period immediately following World War I.

Besides his wife he is survived by the following children:

Mrs. Charlotte Wright Fesmyer, Centreville; Mrs. James C. Mullikin, Baltimore; Mrs. George Grace Wright Mitchell. McDonogh School; John M. Wright, Chestertown; Walter Orville Wright, manager of the local C & P Telephone office; and Morris E. Wright,Queenstown.There are also fourteen surviving grandchildren.

Mrs. Wright is the former Johanna Tollinger, of Queenstown.

Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. E. Park Shaeffer, San Francisco California ,and Mrs. William E. Dress, Wilmette, Ill.

Funeral services were held last Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Williams Funeral Home, Chestertown.

Farm Hand Safe After Hanging Near Blades

A 30-year-old farm hand who lost his footing and hung head down, with his face less than two feet from the blades of a moving discing machine, was recovering at home Monday.

David Wooters, escaped with bruises of the head ,shoulder and arm.

Pat O'Farrell, 15 of Longwoods, who was following Wooter's tractor, stopped his vehicle and raced to Wooter's aid.

Wooters foot had wedged between the tractor brake and steering column suspending him head first dangerously close to the blade of a tandem disk he was towing. He and O'Farrell were working on the farm of Charles Rathell, near Wye Mills.

Mrs. ALICE BUEHL

Word has reached here that Mrs. Alice Buehl died on Thursday, May 28 at a hospital near Modesta, Cal. Mrs. Buehl spent a lot of time here with her daughter, Mrs. Jessie Rennie, who manages Roselawn Restaurant near town. Mrs. Buehl was 73 years old .Funeral services were held yesterday at Chester, Pa. Burial in Laurel, Del.

She is survived by 5 daughters and two sons.

GRACE ELIZABETH CREIGHTON

Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Creighton (nee Dorrell) died at her home in Baltimore on May 26, 1953. She was the beloved wife of the late William H. Creighton and devoted mother of Mrs. Ruth Moto, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Anna Anthony and William Creighton.

Funeral was held from the John F. Denny Home, in Baltimore at 10 A.M. Service again held at WyeMills Episcopal church at 11:30 A.M. Interment in adjoining cemetery.

Mrs. Creighton was a former resident of here and leaves a host of friends who attended the Wye Mills services.

Carnival to Open At Centreville June 8-13

The annual carnival by the Junior Woman's Club of Centreville, sponsors of the free kindergarten, will be held this year the week of June 8 through June 13 on the grounds of the Centreville Elementary school.

Proceeds fro mthe week-long affair will benefit the kindergarten that the club operates during the school months for some 25 preschool age children.

Highlight of the week will be the variety parade on Tuesday evening, starting at 7:30 p.m., with sfeven prizes to winning entries. Nearly 30 entries have been received and a number of individual contestants are expected in the next few days.

Prizes are: Most original float, best appearing, adult marching group, best appearing children marching group, most original individual adult, most original individual child and most outstanding 4-H group.

There will be staged musical entertainment Wednesday evening and Thursday will feature "children's nite", with a kindergarten program. There will be singing of nursery rhymes and the acting out of nursery rhymes in pantomime under the direction of the teacher, Mrs. Marie Jester, at 7:30 p.m.

Ground prizes will be awarded throughout the week and Saturday night the grand prize of a 1953 Plymouth will go to some lucky person. It was announced that if it was a bad night Saturday, the carnival will remain over for Monday.

Eentries received at present for the parade are:

National Guard Company, Rock Hall band, Jr. Woman's Club Welcome, Centreville Lions Club, Goodwill Fire Co., Goodwill Fire Co. Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Grasonville; Price 4-H Club, Centreville Red Cross, Centreville RedCross Juniors, Kent Island Fire Co., Ladies Auxiliary of Kent Island Fire Co., Sudlersville Woman's Club, T.C. 4-H Group, Queenstown Fire Co., Ingleside 4-H Club, Centreville Garden Club, Centreville Boy Scouts, Queen Anne 4-H Club; Sudlersville Betterment Club, Queenstown Mother's Club, Grasonville 4-H Club, Centreville Club Scouts, Centreville Lookout Club, Church Hill Community Club, Queen Anne's Community Club, Sudlersville Fire Co. and Centreville Brownies.

St. Joseph's Tournament to Be Held August 5

Announcement of August 5 as the date for Talbot County's tournament, which is held annually at Old St. Joseph's Catholic Church, near Cordova, has been made by Harry D. Slaughter of Cordova, chairman of the arrangements committee for the events.

The day will begin with a horse show in the morning. In the afternoon the riding and jousting events will take place, ending with the crowning of the Queen of Love and Beauty by the winning knight. The winner of these jousts is determined by the number of rings lanced by the different contestants.

Prominent speakers will be present to charge the knights and make the coronation address. A popular feature of these affairs is the country dinners and suppers served by the ladies of the parish.

Every year at tournament time innumerable chickens are fried, mountains of rolls and Maryland-beaten biscuits are made, salads, vegetables of all kinds, cakes and pastries without number are cooked by some of the most famous cooks in Maryland, and all are consumed by the crowds who go to the tournament each year.

Tournaments have been held at Old St. Joseph's for more than 75 years, and their popularity shows no signs of waning. There are many skillfull riders in this community and the knight of King Arthur's court took no more pains with his horse and his armour than the young country squires take with their steeds and their own appearances.

Church Hill Eyes By-Pass Highway

In an effort to save lives and also save the public's money, it has been learned here from David M. Nichols, State Roads Commission member, that a survey has been made for a by-pass of Church Hill.

It would eliminate two or three dangerous curves at the south of town, which have been the scene of several fatal accidents in the past few years, and one this year. An undetermined number of cars have gone off the highway on the most dangerous of these curves.

Mr. Nichols reported that the State Roads Commission is now making a study of the origin and destination of cars on this highway —U.S. 213—to determine if a by-pass is actually needed.

Since the opening of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge last summer, traffic on this highway has increased considerably and a recent count on the road between Centreville and Church Hill showed more than 3,100 cars a day traveling the highway.

A sharp increase in accidents on a downhill curve that enters Church Hill from the south brought editorial comment from the Queen Anne's Record-Observer for a solution and also pleas from the towns people that the highway was becoming a "speedway."

Merchants and private citizens in Church Hill complained that motorists were going at high speeds through the town and a traffic light was suggested.

However, when the State Roads Commission declared that a survey for a by-pass highway around the town had been completed, the merchants raised an objection and many citizens complained that "it would cost too much money."

In the 12-year roads program, recently signed into law by the governor, the state will construct an expressway dual highway through the county connecting the Chesapeake Bay Bridge and the highways leading to the Memorial Bridge over the Delaware. The dual road will then take most of the traffic off U. S. 213 as it splits the county in half, missing all the towns.

This highway, now under construction, is to be completed thru the county in the next four years, according to the program.

U. of Maryland Dean Speaks at Centreville

Dr. Wilbur Devilbiss, dean of education at the University of Maryland, delivered the graduation address at the ommencement eexrcises of Centreville High School last Wednesday in the school auditorium.

At other graduating classes ceremonies throughout the county, Dr. Daniel Z. Gibson, president of Washington College, Chestertown, spoke to seniors at Sudlersville Monday and Richard T. Earle, prominent Centreville attorney spoke at Stevensville, Tuesday.

Sunday was marked by baccalaureate services for the graduates, with ministers delivering sermons in each of the four county high schools, according to this schedule:

The Rev. W.L. Dise, newly named pastor of Grace MethodistChurch Centreville, spoke at Centreville; the Rev. James R. Hughes at Stevensville; the Rev. L. Harold Hinrichs at Sudlersville, and the Rev. J.F. Henry, Charles Wesley Church, Centreville, at Kennard High in Centreville.

Boys, Girls Await Start Of Recreation Program

Twelve boys teams and six girl teams are ready to open the second season of the Queen Anne's County Recreation Commission on June 8.

There will be five leagues, including three boys' baseball loops and two girls softball circuits. An estimated 500 children will be taking part in the activities of the county-wide organization and the annual Field Day this summer.

At the last meeting it, was also agreed to incorporate the group. The next meeting will be held in Stevensville on June 15.

County Commissioners Hit On Zoning by State Senator

State Senator Edward Turner Monday "assailed" the Queen Anne's County Commissioners for their recent stand on the zoning problem.

Turner, chairman of the important Aviation Transportation and Roads Committee in the Maryland Senate, pointed out that it was at the request of these county commissioners that this county was included in the enabling act passed in the 1953 General Assembly empowering the county commissioners to set up zoning plans here.

He cited articles in two newspapers wherein the commissioners were reported to have said they had no immediate plans to zone the county, and that "they had enough headaches without zoning."

"Last September," said Senator Turner, "these commissioners told members of the Legislative Council of Maryland, of which I am a member, that zoning was their main problem, along with schools, confronting their body."

As a result of this meeting, Queen Anne's was included in the enabling act passed in the recent General Assembly. This act empowers the county commissioners to name a zoning board, who will in turn, promulgate its own regulations and administer them consistent with the law.

"I was amazed, stated Turner, "to read in a recent edition of a Baltimore newspaper that these very same commissioners only eight months later, representing the same county and the same people, whom they represented last September stated that 'they had enough headaches, and had no immediate intentions to exercise the power given them by the General Assembly by the terms of the enabling act. One of the commissioners is even quoted as saying that 'there is no boom on Kent Island' and that most of the people buying and building there are 'transients.'

This is a ridiculous statement,' Turner went on to say, "when upon inspection alone, one can determine that the properties for the most part being built there, are permanent and for year-round occupancy."

Claiming the need for zoning regulations is important now, Turner said: "It occurs to me that the need for intelligent and reasonable zoning regulations is as important now, if not more so, than it was last September when the commissioners cited the problem as one of the' most pressing."

He went on to say that in the Oct. 2, edition of the Queen Anne's Record-Observer, the president of the board, Casper T. Seney stated that he 'hoped that the county would be able to have legislation passed in January to enable the county to set up their own zoning law to fit the local needs," and another commissioner, Harry F. Callahan, seconded him by saying, "we are about two years late. Much has already been done which cannot be undone."

"In view of the fact that they (the commissioners) reqquested this legislation, it would seem to me that it is encumbent on them to appoint a zoning commission who, in the exercise of their proper functions would prepare and administer zoning regulations applicable to the needs of this county. In anticipation of the development," continued Senator Turner, "which is coming to this county ,it is most necessary that the administrative body of this county government, the commissioners, 'face-up to the problem in order that the safety, beauty and economy of this county may be protected.

Suggesting a beginning for this important question, Turner explained, "My idea would be to begin with reasonable regulatory control of the main highawys through this county and let the balance of the county, following that, see how desirable such regulation and controls really operate.

"In these new highways, the state has a tremendous investment and this investment should be protected as much as possible and the beauty of our highways also is a recommendation to transient travelers of the progress which we are making in this state.