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PERSONALS
FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ginn of Washington, D.C., who were spending the week here while her parents were on a vacation trip ,left on Sunday enroute to Bowman, Ga., to make their future home for awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walters and Mr. Charles R. Saddler were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. FrankSmith.

Mr .and Mrs. Henry Melvin and Mr. and Mrs.LindenBrittingham arrived home on Thursday after a delightful trip to Ohio and Indiannapolis.

Mrs. Nora Pratt of Easton spent several days last week as the house guest of Miss Florence Melvin.

Mrs. Avis Cole has returned home after a trip to Atlanta ,Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rhodes spent last week at the Tides Inn at Irvington, Va.

Mr .and Mrs. Harry Cross and son John are spending this week at Ocean City.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennard Rhodes entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cross and son at dinner on Saturday evening.

ENTERED HOSPITAL TUES.

Jerry Kaufman left on Tuesday to enter Childrne's Hospital in Baltimore for an operation. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Swann and children Patsy and Bobby, spent the weekend in Cape Charles, Va., with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Morris and family spent Sunday at Tolchester Peach.

Mr .and Mrs. Stephen Warner and son of Baltimore ,spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Ann Embert.

Mr. Wesley Morgan of the Standard Oil Co., is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Goldie Morgan.

Mrs. William C. Lowe and daughters have returned to their home after an enjoyable weeks vacation at Ocean City.

Mrs. Howard Perry of Washington, D.C., is spending sometime with Mrs. George Lane and Miss Rose Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cannon attended the "Fishing Fair" at Coxes Neck, and enjoyed an outing with Mr .and Mrs. Dudley Sparks on their yacht.

Mrs. W.E. Higdon spent Monday visiting Mrs. Madeline Steinfelt.

Grasonville

Mrs. Mina Saddler has returned home after spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Saddler in Baltimore. Mr. Charles R. Saddler was a Saturday visitor and spent the rest of the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith in Queenstown.

Mrs. Agnes Baker spent last week end with Mr .and Mrs. Elmer Baker in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Jewell and daughter Cathy of Hollywood, N.J. were weekend guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jewell.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Grethel Beecher and relatives in the death of Mr. William Beecher.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McClyments and daughter, Lois, have returned from a trip thru, Va., N.C. and S.C. While in Virginia, they visited Mt. Vernon and Fort Hill ,and visited Old World War II buddies in Dillon, S.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wilson and son Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Weatherleaf of Washington, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wilson and Miss Elizabeth Wilson; and little Anna Wilson, who had been spending sometime with them, returned home.

Mrs. Leonard Haddaway of Tilghman's Island visited her sister, Mrs. S.E. Paswater over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Ruth and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gardner spent last Sunday in New York on a sight seeing trip.

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Kent Island Firemen's Carnival a Huge Success

The members of the Kent Island Fire Company and Ladies Auxiliary are proud of the recent success in the Fire Company Carnival and they sincerely appreciate the patronage of everyone in Queen Anne's and surrounding counties who helped to make it a success.

The Variety parade on Monday evening was reall ya success. The following walked away with the prizes:

Float—Most original—Kent Island Lions Club—$15.

Float — Funniest — Jim Richer's group of Chestertown—$15.

Group—Most original—Julia Eaton's group of Stevensville—$15.

Group—Funniest—Pythian Sisters of Grasonville—$15.

Individual— Most original—Paul Mylander of Stevensville—$5.

Individual—Funniest—FrancesLucas of Chestertown—$5.

Pair—Most original—Boy Scouts and Brownies, Kent Island—$10.

Pair—Funniest—Stewart Hoxter and Isabel Coursey, Grasonville—$10.

The prizes for Firemen's Parade on Wednesday evening went to the following:

Best Band—Cambridge High School—$40.

2nd Best Band—Rock Hall—$20.

Best Drum and Bugle Corp—Dorchester American Legion.

2nd Best Drum and Bugle Corp—Queenstown—$20.

Most women in line—Tie between Rock Hall and Ridgely—each $10.

Longest distance for women—Rock Hall—$15.

Best appearance—Women—Ridgely—$15.

Most men in line—Rescue Fire Company—Cambridge—$20.

Best appearance—Men—Chestertown—$15.

Longest distance—Men — Tilghman—$15.

Western Shore:

Most in line—Women—Deal—$20

Most in line—Men—Earliegh Heights—$20.

Best Appearance—Women—Arnold—$15.

Best Appearance—Men—Arnold—$15.

Best marching unit other than Firemen—Grasonville V.F.W.—$10.

On Saturday evening a Plymouth automobile was given away and the lucky person who won it was Mrs. Helen Daniel of Stevensville, Md.

Mr. J.C. White of Chester donated a thoroughbred Hampshire hog to be chanced off and Mr. Chester Holland of Chester, was the lucky winner.

The net proceeds have not been determined as yet but they will be announced next week.

Final Blue Star Road Contract Made

The State Roads Commission has awarded the last contract for building the Blue Star Memorial Highway to the Delaware State line.

E.P. Asher, Jr., & Sons, Inc., of Baltimore, won the final award for 4.76 miles on a low bid of $810,274.

The section will complete the approximately 31 miles of highway from Queenstown, Md., to Warwick, Delaware.

Work on the highway is covered by ten contracts and is expected to be completed in the spring of 1956.

Comet Class Races Slated on Chester River

The Corsica River Yacht Club will hold its Comet Class International Championships on the Chester River on Thursday, September 9, from 1 to 6 p.m. and on Friday through Sunday, September 10 through 12, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The race area will lie on the Chester River from Ringgold Point to Deep Point and including that part of the Corsica River up to Cedar Point .

CUSTOM BAKING

Orders taken by phone or in person for Pies and cakes. Orders will be ready at your convenience. Mrs. Claudia Cronshaw, Queenstown, Md., Phone Queenstown 4021.

Send a Ballot To An Absentee Voter

If you have a friend or relative in the Armed Service of the United States or who is a member of the Merchant Marine, the War Shipping Administration, the American Red Cross, the Society of Friends, the Women's Auxiliary Service Pilots or the United Service Organizations, attached to and serving the Armed Forces outside of the United States, but who is eligible to vote in Maryland, you should procure a form of application for a ballot to be cast by an absentee voter and forward the form to the friend or relative in the service. The request for a ballot can only be made by the person wishing to vote, but you, as a friend or relative, may procure from the Office of the Secretary of State, Annapolis, Maryland, or from the Board of Election Supervisors of Baltimore City or in any county for forms to be used by service personnel and other eligible persons. You can help your friends who are absent in the service to exercise their right of franchise by procuring and sending to them a form upon which they may request a ballot. Ballots should be ready for Mailing by September 7, 1954.

4 People Hurt, One Seriously, In Collision

Four people were hurt, one seriously, in a collision of two cars about 8:15 Friday night on Temporary Route 18 just outside of Queenstown.

James R. Sharpe, 35, Washington, D.C., driver of one car, was taken to the Memorial Hospital in Easton with possible skull fracture, a fractured vertebra and other injuries .He was thrown to the highway as his car was struck.

State Police reported that a car operated by Ira R. Thomas, 47, Queenstown, drove into the left side of the Sharpe car and turned it over three times.

Also hurt was Sharpe's wife, Elsie 32, contusions; a son, Ricky, 11 severe lacerations; and another passenger, Maxine McCall, 24 bruises. A daughter, Linda, was not hurt, nor was Thomas.

All were taken to the hospital in the Queenstown Fire Company ambulance.

The police charged Thomas with failing to stop and grant the right of way.

Clough Charged With Illegal Beer Sales

Benjamin Paul Clough, the proprietor of the Friendly Inn restaurant at the Kent Narrows, was this week charged with selling beer on Sunday and permitting alcoholic beverages to be kept on the premises which were not purchased by him from a licensed manufacturer or wholesaler. These charges grew out of an inspection conducted last Sunday morning at 3:00 A.M. by Kenneth G. Wood, Inspector of the Board of License Commissioners of Queen Anne's County, with the assistance of the MarylandState Police. The Superintendent of the Maryland State Police made the assistance available at the request of Inspector Wood through the office of State's Attorney Clayton C. Carter. The party of State Policeman was commanded by Lt. Harry F. Trumpower, Commander of the Easton Barracks.

Hearing on the charges has been set by the Trial Magistrate for Tuesday, September 7, 1954.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION AND AN APPEAL

The Volunteer Firemen and the Ladies Auxiliary members of the Queenstown Volunteer Fire Co., wish to thank each and everyone who contributed to the carnival and now due to unfortunate circumstances, they appeal again to the public to kindly help by your cakes, contributions and attendance to the Bingo Party to be held at the Firehouse on Saturday evening, Sept. 4. The Holiday Oldsmobile and the power lawn mower will at that time be raffled off. Please help this worthy cause .

County Schools to Open Sept. 9; Work Is Rushed

One new school and addition to another are expected to be ready for occupancy when Queen Anne's County school bells ring for the opening Thursday, Sept. 9, for a full day.

The Board of Education last week announced that the South County Consolidated Elementary School for colored children is expected to be completed as is the 4-room addition to the Kennard Elementary in Centreville.

Work is being rushed on the Centreville High School addition to the rear of the present school, but it will not be ready for the opening of school.

School principals met Wednesday, September 1 and the teachers will hold a pre-school meeting Tuesday, Sept. 7. On Wednesday, Sept. 8, the teachers will in their classrooms in the school and parents may come in to meet them. There will also be registration for any first graders not yet entered.

The first full day of school will be Sept. 9 and all operate on Daylight Saving Time.

The six-classroom one-story South County School has an all-purpose room, library, kitchen facilities, principal's office and sick room, along with the six classrooms. It has been constructed just south of the present school in Grasonville at the eastern end of town.

To Replace Four Schools

This building will replace the schools at Carmichael, Chester, Love Point and Grasonville.

The 4-room addition at Kennard Elementary will replace the one-room school of Church Hill, Pondtown and Dudley's Corner.

As soon as the addition at Centreville High is completed the School Board office will move from its present location in the basement of the grammar school into larger offices in the high school addition.

Position Still Open

The Board also announced that the vacancy of the High School Supervisor had not been filled. Carter Hickman, in the school system for nearly 25 years, resigned recently to enter private business.

The major teacher change for the coming year finds Vernon Houts, former assistant principal and guidance director at Damacus High School, taking over as principal of Centreville High. He replaces Willard Hickman who has been named Junior High School Supervisor and principal of the Church Hill Elementary School.

Mr. Houts is a graduate of Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas, and has done graduate work at the University of Maryland and George Washington University. He earned his Master's degree at the latter school in 1951. A wide variety of experience in the past 15 years in the field of public education, Mr. Houts has taught the sciences, math, physical education and industrial arts. He is married and has three daughters of school age. They are living at Pioneer Point.

Firemen's Prizes Stolen In Trailer

Two weeks ago, the Queenstown Fire Company held a carnival to raise $14,000 for a new engine.

It was rained out ,and the fire company took a financial beating.

The company had an ace in the hole, though—nearly $1,000 worth of prizes left over from the carnival. Members planned a Bingo party Saturday night beginning at 7:30 to dispose of them and salvage something.

Cash prizes, cake booths, poultry and ham booth, etc., Oldsmobile Holiday Coupe and a power lawn mower will be given away.

Monday night, someone hitched a truck to the rented trailer the prizes were stored in and drove off—trailer, prizes and all.

Your support will be greatly appreciated. Come out and help those who help you in time of fire.

FOR SALE—½-bag concrete mixer, portable. Good condition, good tires. Apply to Sam Comegys, Queenstown, Md.

3 Tomato Trucks Upset, 2 Hurt, Damage is Heavy

Three tomato trucks overturned on the highways of Queen Anne's County in 24 hours.

Two tractor-trailers loaded with ripe tomatoes on the way to canneries spilled early Friday morning and another overturned early last Thursday morning. Only one driver was hurt, but no injured seriously.

The latest mishap occurred on U. S. Route 5 about a mile north of Wye Mills when a truck driven by John G. Welsh, 27, Downingtown, Pa., went off the right side of the dual highway, ran up a 10-foot embankment and overturned on the shoulder of the highway.

Driver Faces Charge

State police took the driver to Dr. G.W. Martin, Jr., in Queenstown, where he was treated for shock. He was charged with reckless driving after he said he had fallen asleep at the wheel and lost control about 8 o'clock Friday morning.

The truck was badly damaged and the 700 baskets of tomatoes scrambled, but most were recovered and shipped on to a Camridge cannery.

Martin Lefever, Quarryville, Pa., was the driver of a tractor trailer with 1,000 baskets of tomatoes that overturned on South Liberty Street in Centreville about 5 o'clock Friday morning.

He told state police that the front axle snapped coming down the hill and the truck narrowly missed a row of houses as it ran off the right side of the street, cut down two small signs and turned over on its side over a small ditch.

Driver, 17, Dozes

Several thousand dollars worth of damage was estimated for the truck. The tomatoes were taken on to a cannery at Bethlehem, Caroline County.

William Loatman, 17, Bridgeton, N.J., was taken to the Dover Hospital Friday morning when his truck overturned about a mile west of the Delaware line. He was treated for lacerations.

He told state police the truck, loaded with 1,000 baskets of tomatoes, was headed for Cambridge when he fell asleep and ran off the left side of the highway.

A truck load of watermelons last Thursday night blocked route 50 below Grasonville, when a wheel on the right side of the truck fell off. The axel had broken. No one was hurt and the load of watermelons remained in tact. The truck was not removed until Friday afternoon.

Maryland's Oyster Season Opened Wednesday

Maryland's oyster season got underway Wednesday and officials of the Tidewater Fisheries Commission are at least hopeful the catch this year will equal that of last season.

John P. Tawes said things "look pretty good" as the watermen prepare for their first R month of the new season.

The season opened in Queen Anne and Talbot counties with Somerset preparing to open September 15 and Lower Dorchester and the Fishing Bay region on October 1.

Maryland's some 4,000 licensed tongers will have a go of it before the dredge boats begin their season November 1.

Hopes for Equal Catch

Tawes said he hopes the watermen at least will equal last season catch of more than $2,500,000 bushel

And the opening of an Eastern Shore ground that has been closed for two years is expected to help things along.

Tawes said that most of the Punch Island-Chesapeake Bay area is to be opened Wednesday, but that the seed bed there and a strip enclosing it will remain closed. The area was closed originally to protect the seed bed.

FOR SALE—35½ ft. 9 ft. beam deadrise, excellent condition. V8 Ford motor, new last year, fresh water system. Can be seen after 4 p.m. any evening at Public Landing, Bryantown. Phone Queenstown 3329.

Jurors To Probe Queen Anne's Vote Cases

The Queen Anne's county grand jury members meet next week and Howard Wood 3d, special State's attorney appointed to investigate alleged violations of the elections laws in the county, said today. "We will have some things for them to consider."

Mr. Wood was appointed by Chief Judge William R. Horney after Hyman A. Pressman, attorney for George P. Mahoney during the recent recount in Queen Anne's, produced several affidavits alleging vote-buying .

How many affidavits Mr.Pressman turned over to him Mr. Wood would not say.

Denies Buying Votes

One of the persons named in one of the two affidavtis made public by Mr. Pressman was Casper T. Seney, president of the board of county commissioners. Mr. Seney flatly denied buying votes.

While he said he could not reveal details of what his monthlcng investigations have uncovered, Mr. Wood said his appointment does not restrict him to looking into the vote-buying charges alone.

It includes any election-law violations ,he said, before, during and after the June 28 primary, and even "not definitely restricted to this election."

Ask Disqualification

Mr. Wood's appointment followed State's Attorney Clayton C.Carter's request of Judge Horney that he be disqualified in the matter. Mr. Carter is a Democratic candidate for county commissioner.

The jury met Wednesday instead of Tuesday as originally scheduled to allow the jury foreman, Harry C. Rhodes, to attend a meeting of teachers, Mr. Rhodes is county superintendent of schools.

Wednesday he gave Sheriff Frank Y. Whiteley a list of witnesses to summon for the grand jury ,Mr. Wood said.

Manslaughter Charge Filed Against Donlin F. Andrew

A charge of manslaughter by automobile has been placed against Donlin F. Andrew, Centreville, who has filed an affidavit asking for a removal from the Queen Anne's County trial magistrate.

The 37-year-old farmer is accused of manslaughter in the death of of a 10-year-old girl who was struck by his car on State Route 305 just outside of Centreville early on the morning of Aug. 8.

Charge Changed

He was charged with reckless driving at the time, but after further investigation by the state police and the state's attorney's office, the manslaughter charge was filed.

In counties where there is only one trial magistrate, and he is disqualified by the defendant, the substitute magistrate must hear the case, but here the substitute, F. Albury Barlett, has disqualified himself.

Trial Questioned

State's Attorney Clayton C. Carter said this was the first time a situation of this kind has come up here. The defendant has a motor violation and a criminal charge against him. The state has no right to try the motor vehicle charge before a jury.

He has asked for an opinion from the attorney general, Edward D.E. Rollins, as to how the defendant can be tried on the motor vehicle charge.

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