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Do You Know

OFF THE CUFF

That if there ever was a time besides a blizzard that farmers appreciate the rural route, is is now, as they are too busy to come to town for their mail.

That it is interesting to ramble throughout the country and peep at the robust, healthy color of face and arms of our Victory gardeners. One would think they had been spending a week or so at the seashore for their health.

That Sid Gadd believes Americans will do service men a great wrong unless their first few months in civics receive some fore-thought rather than the hind-thought—or no thought—which followed the last war.

That Dick Collier expects to take a course in learning how to almost drown safely now that young gals will replace men as life guards.

That in giving the war a deep thought John Kinnamon thinks Ernie Pyle, the jeep and the American Red Cross are the only three great discoveries of the war.

That Pop pop Cross has figured it out that if a man has money, his meanness is always referred to as eccentricity.

cases of whiskey. Boney Lane figures these holdups is what is causing the Dispensary to be short of juice.

That our watedmen say if we have any crabs this season it will be about the last of June. Their reason is that our fish netters report that crabs have not bothered their nets as yet.

That the honey bees have nothing on our Victory gardeners who toil late and early to keep the weeds, grass and bugs away from their gardens.

That Galen L. Tait, chairman of the Republican State Central Committee, predicts a tidal wave for his party nominees November 7. He ought to change his brand as the present brand is making him have funny dreams.

That Johnny Jones who is too weak to follow his summer work of seine hauling according to orders of his doctor, will devote his time to hook and line fishing and entertaining fishing parties thissum mer. He tried his luck Monday with hook and line off our harbor and landed two large hardheads. He used shrimp for bait.

That William Nelson Bedsworth will have to explain to the Baltimore city court why he and other thirsty pals relieved a truck of 440

That with lettuce, onions and radishes fresh from their Victory gardens and loose change to keep the table supplied with meats, fresh fish and whatever the table needs, why shouldn't our citizens through out the county be happy?

That our citizens are enjoying cultivated and wild asparagus. Cultivated brand has been on the market for the past three weeks and is selling at 25 and 35 cents per bunch

That the few warm Sundays has made the boys with ball, bat and glove enjoy their summer sport.

State GOP Will Convene May 23

The State convention of the Republican party will be held at 12.30 P. M. in the Lord Baltimore Hotel on May 23, Galen L. Tait, chairman of the GOP State Central Committee, announced yesterday.

Mr. Tait made the announcement after conferring with Mayor McKeldin and Representative J. Glenn Beall.

Mr. Tait asserted that he had received written authority from a majority of the members of the State Central Committee to make arrangements for holding the convention.

PERSONALS

FOLKS YOU KNOW

Mrs. J. Frd Holden has returned home after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Carroll Woodlawn of Baltimore, Mrs. Woodlawn accompanied her mother home for a few days.

Mrs. Howard Greaves will leave Tuesday to spend a few days with friends and relatives in Baltimore.

Mr .and Mrs. A. Alexander of New York, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Reynolds.

Mr. oJhn Jester of Wilmington, Del., spent the weekend with his son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jester of near town.

Earl Jester S. 2|c stationed at Bainbridge, Md., spent his 72 hour leave with his family, Mrs. Earl Jester and children of near town.

Mr. and Mrs. oJhn Shulz of Chester, removed to their newly acquired home on Monday. Mr. Tilghman Cook and family moved to the home of the late William Booker Wednesday. Mr. Richard Greaves has secured a room with Mr. and Mrs. William Callahan. Mr. John Boyce takes the apartment vacated by Greaves.

Mr. and Mrs. Hary C. Reynolds attended the graduation of their daughter, Mary Lou, in Baltimore on Wednesday.

4-H Club Growing In County to Help

To increase the total food production in the county this year, a rather intensive program will be put on to organize more 4-H clubs and also to give closer supervision and more training to the members of the club. With the appointment of an acting assistant county agent personnel is available now to organize and carry out a great deal more 4-H club work.

The County Agent announces the organization of two new clubs and says, one of the goals of individual 4-H club members is to produce enough food to feed a fighter for one year.

Various organizations interested in the development of youth and also increasing the total food production offer a fitting reward to each club member who produces this amount of food during the 1944 growin gseason.

Victory gardens will be stressed as a means of increasing home food production and also for the purpose of producing the types of food that will improve the health of fam ilies. Parents interested in having the boys or girls join the 4-H clubs should contact the County Agent's office as the program will be open to membership both in actual clubs and also on an individual basis where there are no clubs in the community.

Farmers Urged To Grow More Corn

The general feed outloook, particularly for grain crops, is still way below the probable needs to feed the livestock and poultry necessary to produce sufficient meat for the nation's needs.

According to reports from the industries, corn and wheat supplies throughout the nation have been used up to the extent that should there be any serious crop failure in any of the areas this year there will be a very serious shortage of feed grains.

Corn has been very short in this entire eastern area during the past year and will probably continue to be so throughout the coming year. Farmers are urged by the County Agent to grow all of the corn practical with the assurance that they will have a ready market for their crop right here at home.

From the standpoint of economical production, every farmer and poultryman should attempt to grow all of the feed possible in order that he can be sure of an adequate supply.

Last Monday's Election in the Counties

The goodsbox orators who always know a thing or so before it happens or better known as "I told You So," has his political almanack working overtime to predict how the real election, November 7, will be cast. They will be able to tell you more accurate November 8. The annex analysis of the vote cast will tell you how each candidate faired at the hand of the voter in the nine counties of the Shore:

County	Andrus	Merriken	Roe	Ward
Caroline	25	202	603	422
Cecil	7	25	710	665
Dorchester	—	—	1411	889
Kent	15	6	1154	889
Queen Anne's	64	20	1799	1063
Somerset	—	—	854	1018
Talbot	30	30	966	484
Wicomico	16	5	685	1840
Worcester	6	16	1126	1330
Total	163	304	9308	8493

Avoid Japanese Beetle Damage

County Agent Walter Ebey pointed out today that farmers should keep the Japanese beetle in mind when planting corn. He said both field corn and sweet corn are frequently seriously damaged and suggested that farmers living in heavily infested districts where corn was damaged last year, give consideration to planting dates to avoid injury. Mr. Ebey reviewed the work done at the University of Maryland on planting dates for preventing injury. He pointed out that six years study by the Departments of Entomology and Argronomy, cooperating showed that beetle damage may be reduced by late planting. An analysis of work done by E. N. Cory, Geo. S. Lankford and R. G. Bothgeb show that when it is possible to plant corn so that it silks after the peek beetle infestation has passed, damage will be negligible. On an average, peak infestations are over by the end of the first week in August.

It is impossible to give exact planting dates that in all instances will eliminate beetle injury and in some years the marginal period for planting to avoid both beetle injury and frost injury is narrow.The best that can be done is to use dates that on an average are favorable. The following planting dates are being suggested:

Long season corn, May 25 to June 1.

Medium season corn, June 1 to 7.

Short season corn, June 7 to 14.

The Cooperative experiments of the Departments of Entomology and Agronomy also indicate a relation between beetle feding and mol dy corn. Records from experimental plots show that in years favorable to mold development, the percent of infected corn is greatest in fields that have had the tips of the ears opened by feeding from the beetles. Corn that silked after the peak beetle infestation developed fewer ears than that which silked earlier and was exposed to beetle feeding.

The late Spring and the labor shortage probably will make it necessary to plant as and when possible.

DINER FOR RENT—Fully equipped. This is a good paying business. We will offer a attractive proposition to the right party. Call Falck's Garage, Grasonville, Md.

Due to doctors orders Mrs. Falck has to stop operating the diner in Grasonville. She offers a attractive proposition to the right party to take over this now profitable and growing business.

NOTE—Garage in rear will continue to be operated by Mr. Falck.

DOUBLE-CROSSED BY THE DEVIL

The strange story of swindlers who used black magic to corrupt a bank teller but found out quickly their trick didn't work. Read this unusual feature in the May 21st issue of The American Weekly. Favorite magazine with the Baltimore Sunday American. Order from your newsdealer.

Warm Weather Good For Flea Beetle

The warm weather of the past week has accelerated the development of the flea beetle and numbers of them are already at work in the newly set out tomato fields.

County Agent Walter Eby describes the insects as tiny black or varied colored beetles that jump when disturbed. Their presence can be detected by small round holes eaten in the leaves of tomatoes, potatoes, etc., and if they are allowed to feed undisturbd, they may completely sap the lift from the growing plant.

Many growers us ordinary hydrated lime as a dust to keep the insect from the plants. Though lime is a good repellent, County Agent Eby recommends that this practice be discontinued as it retards the development of the young plant for a week to ten days and frequen tly leaves a permanent stunted effect. In its place, he suggests the use of a dust composed of 9 lbs gyp sum or talc and 1 lb. of arsenate of lead applied as soon as the insect appears. If plants should be well covered with dust throughout the growing season, the beetles will be effectively controlled without causing any ill effect to the plants.

If arsenate of lead cannot be obtained, calcium arsenate may be substituted at the same ratio.

Newly set out tomato plants may be protected if the tops are dipped in a solution of 3 teaspoonfuls of arsenate of lead to one gallon of water prior to planting. It is important, if this procedure is used, to see that the dipping solution is completely dry on the plants before planting out. To set out plants in the hot sun will result in scorched foliage, severe injury or complete loss.

Gasoline Asked For Summer Fishing

Because of a serious condition which has arisen among the pilots of party fishing boats in Queen Anne's and other counties on the Shore due to severe restrictions on the use of gasoline during the summer season representatives of theQueen Anne's County Ration Board attended a conference with an official of the State OPA in Easton to discuss protests on restrictions against watermen. Representatives of boards from Kent, Caroline, Talbot, and Dorchester Counties also attended the parley.

Protests concerning the federal OPA restrictions on the use of gasoline for party fishing during the coming season were made by representatives of the fishing pilots from the five counties, who declared that if present governmnt restrictions are not materially modified, it will put several hundred fishing guides completely out of business.

An appeal has been made to Senator Millard Tydings, Maryland's senior senator, to seek modifications in the government restrictions before the opening of the hook and line season.

ONION PLANTS—Only about 50,000—white, red and yellow globe—35 cents per hundred. Make larger and sweeter onions. George Aker, Meadowbrook.

Manpower Shortage Of About 633

A War Manpower Commission survey of the canning industry indicates that 1,044 workers will be required for the peak processing period in Queen Anne's County, Lawrence B. Fenneman, State Director, War Manpower Commission, announced this week.

About 411 of this total may be available from the ranks of regular cannery employees, the survey shows, leaving a manpower shortage of about 633. Mr. Fenneman revealed that the need for 145 prisoners of war in the Queen Anne Canneries has been certified to theThird Service Command of the Army.

If these war prisoners are made available, the canneries will still need about 488 workers when they reach peak production. They must be obtained either through in-migrant labor from the south or among patriotic citizens who will volunteer for jobs to help out in these emergency peak periods. Mr. Fenneman said surveys indicate there will not be as much labor available in the south as in other years.

The shore counties depended on these migratory workers in the past There is no assurance how many, if any, war prisoners will be sent here.

Mr. Fenneman said that the uncertainty of getting outside help makes it imperative for residents of the canning communities of the state to get together and be prepared to save the food crops by supplying the necessary labor from the ranks of their residents. He said WMC is mapping out a statewide recruitment campaign to create labor pools. Regularly employed men and women and students will be solicited to work in the canneries when on vacation from their year-around jobs and classes. Others will be asked to work part-time through the day or evening to help out where they can be used.

All groups are to be enrolled in this effort to save Maryland's food crops since over 70 percent of it must be packed for delivery to our armed forces, Mr. Fenneman said.

The WMC surveys shows that an estimated 30,000 workers will be required to process the state's food. There are about 17,000 former cannery workers who may be available leaving a shortage of 13,000. The WMC has certified to the need of about 3,300 war prisoners. If all this help is obtained, there must still be an intensive effort to get the 10,000 additional workers for the peak periods.

Make Use of Pasture To Conserve Feed

Maximum use of pasture during May and June and close culling of diseased and low-producing cows is urgently needed to conserve the fast dwindling feed supplies thruout the nation, says Floyd J. Arnold, extension dairyman for the University of Maryland.

A serious feed shortage is developing, he states, for the simple rea son that the number of head of livestock, all kinds, on farms thru out the country has increased more rapidly since the war started than has the supply of feed, and on top of this, farmers generally have fed for maximum production.

Mr. Arnold points out that since the beginning of the current feding season, October, 1943, the disappearance of feed has been at a record rate. In the last half of the preceeding fed year, the gapbetwen feed requirements and feedgrainsup plies was closed by reducing the carry-over of feed grains and by feeding a large part of our domestic wheat stocks. These sources are exhausted and we have also used large imports of Canadian wheat and oats. It is clearly evident, he states, that there are not enough domestic feed grains to carry the livestock industry through to another corn harvest and it is improbable that imports of Canadian grain will be large enough to satisfy feed requirements.

OPA Halves Points As it Frees Meats

All meat except steaks and roast of beef became ration free at midnight Wednesday night, but that doesn't mean all the points that formerly went into hamburger and pork and ham can be diverted to bigger and juicer sirloins.

There'll be only half as many red points as before.

The Office of Price Administration figures the average consumer can have more of the items still to be rationed—steak and beef roast, butter, margarine, cheese and evaporated milk. And, of course, he can have all the hamburger, pork and other non-rationed meat he can find and pay for.

The actual effect on each individual will vary widely according to what has been bought with red points in the past.

For instance, a person who has used most of his red points for steak and butter will be cut in those item If he has been eating a 10-point steak and a3-point quarter pound of butter every two weeks heretofore, he has had 17 of his bi-weekly allotment of 30 red points left for oth er items, including the meats taken off rationing.

With the red-point allowance slashed to 15 every two weeks beginning Sunday, he will have only two points every two weeks for cheese, evaporated mflk and margarine unless he cuts steak and but ter consumption.

On the other hand, if the consumer has been letting the high-point items alone using margarine variety meats, and pork, he can have a good deal more of the better cuts of beef under the new sche dule than he has been eating.

So far as the still-rationed, red-point foods are concerned, the OPA figures the average break at something like seven per cent in the consumer's favor. It says 57 per cent of the volume of meats fats and cheese formerly sold on red points now are being made point-free.That leaves the consumer with 50 per cent of the former number of points with which to buy 43 per cent of the amount of rationed items.

The reduction in number of available red points will be accomplished by validating 30 per person every four weeks instead of 30 every two weeks as in the past. The three stamps The three stamps became valid last Sunday for ten points each must last until Sunday June 4.

The OPA's decision to give all cuts of pork, veal, lamb and mutton, and all other rationed meats (except beef steaks and roast) a "zero point value" until further notice reflects the record run of hogs continuing to come to market, a good supply" of lamb and mutton and a large backlog of beef cattle on the nation's ranges. Chester Bowles, OPA administrator, said the OPA will continue the bonus plan "as long as we can."

The Bull Frog and the Boy

Newspaper writers have a license to drift from the straight and narrow, but the Bentztown Bard in the Baltimore Sun, used the chalk line in the following: "I have a habit of contending that no man who wants to go back to the spirit of boyhood could do any better than to go out after bullfrogs. There is something in the catching of bullfrogs that is right up the alley of boyhood. Whether you entice them out of their lair in a swamp with a bit of red flannel on a hook, or whether you hound them in their natural haunts and plunk down on them unexpectedly with a club, it is altogether a boy's sport. And it is not wanton killing by any means. Fried frog is truly one of the real delicacies of the age.

CHURCH NOTICE

The Rt. Rev. Wm. Davenport, Bishop of Easton will make his annual visitation to St. Luke's P. E. Church, Queenstown, on Sunday, May 14th at 7:30 P. M.