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Bosses Assemble to Make up General Assembly Slate

Liquor, Dogs Tracks and Slot Machine Ring much in Evidence

The so-called Liquor, Dog Track, Slot-Machine Ring was very much in evidence as the new bosses assembld to make up the slate for the General Assembly of Maryland at a regular caucus Tuesday evening at Annapolis. The advance guard of the so-called lobby were also shining lights in the private conference held in the Treasurer's office when the slate was made up.

As usual the lion's share went to Baltimore City, namely, the Speaker, Chief Clerk, Reading Clerk, Sergeant at-Arms, Chief Page and other assistants. Mind you, these are caucus appointments.) The slate was made up then and there.

Mr. County Members, there is no excuse. You had the votes, you were warned this would happen and you will wake up when it is too late and your taxpayers back home are being gouged. And, lest we forget, the Court Jester for the ring, who holds a lucrative position with free automobile and other expenses, and who claims he gets leave of absence during the session of the Legislature without pay, was very much in evidence. If this be possible and true, the position he holds for nine months should be abolished or a full time man be put on the job.

One of the King-pins of the mentioned ring has been transferrd to the Senate, but so far has rceived but slight recognition.

Senators Tydings and Radcliffe and Mayor Jackson were conspicuous by their absence and were censured for not being present by many of their constituents who had helped in each of their fights. Our understanding the General Assembly of Maryland meets for the benefit of the whole people and not a chosen few. Taxpayers pay the Bill.

The desk officials named for the Senate were:

C. Andrw Schaab, of Howard county, secretary.

Walter B. Addison, of Prince George' journal clerk.

D. K. Schmidt, of Baltimore, assistant journal clerk.

John Wagner of Baltimore, chief page.

D. H. Everett, of Queen Anne's county, sergeant-at-arms.

Jesse W. Holmes, of Baltimore, reading clerk.

Nathan Blumberg, of Baltimore, post master.

Those named to desk positions in the House were:

John Nowakowski, chief clerk.

Raymond Miller, of Washington county, assistant chief clerk.

Jesse Ireland, of Kent county, journal clerk.

Joseph Peregoy, of Baltimore, chief page.

James R. Webb, of Baltimore, assistant page.

Thomas Petr, of Baltimore, sergeant-at-arms.

Everett Beall, of Montgomery county, assistant sergeant-at-arms.

Robert Batterden, of Baltimore, reading clerk.

Newman Robertson, of Wicomico, postmaster.

Major Bowes Wants Maryland Talent

Maryland's amateur entertainers have done so well on the Original Amateur Hour that Major Edward Bowes has decided to make it easier for them to show their talents.

He has directed a talent scout to visit the city of Baltimore, February 17th and 18th to conduct auditions at WCAO for all in the territory who would like a chance to go on the air.

"Many youngsters can't manage to get to New York and Maryland has been so prolific of talent that I feel justified in taking Opportunity to them to Baltimore," Major Bowes said.

Aside from singers and instrumentalists, Mr. Lee will audition all kinds of novelty acts—ventriloquists, impersonators, whistlers, hill billy bands tap dancers and others whose abilities can be appreciated by a radio audience.

UNITED AMERICAN MECHANICS ELECTS

Harold Reynolds, of Principio, has been elected Councilor of the Star Council, United American Mechanics Others named are: James Dixon, vice-councilor; Albert Harris, recording t ary; L. bm bmbmbm bmmm secretary; Raymond Harris, assistant; Malcolm Reynolds, financial secretary; L. L. Jackson, treasurer; A. S. Creswell, inside guard; S. L. Craig, outside guard; W. B. Read, chaplain, and Malcolm Reynolds, representative to the State Council, with W. W. Nickle, L. L. Jackson and Howard Blackson, as alternates.

GOLDSBOROUGH SLATED FOR JUDICIARY

For several months rumors have been in circulation on the Eastern Shore that Representative Goldsborough was under consideration by the Washington administration for nomination to the Federal bench in Washington, a new place having been made on the bench. Rports assumed by many politically in touch at Washington have been constantly circulated, particularly since Representative Goldsborough acted as host to the President in his recent purge visit to the Eastern Shore. The strength of the belief in this inside information was sufficient to cause quit a number of favorite sons to stand ready to announce their candidacies for the representatives office.

Today W. S. Gordy and Thomas F. Johnson hav declared their intentions. Solid friends of W. S. Gordy are lining up behind his candidacy and Mr. Johnson claims considerable county support.

CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION TO MEET IN BALTIMORE JANUARY 11

The annual winter meeting of the Maryfan dCrop Improvement Association will be held in Baltimore at the Lord Baltimore Hotel on January 11, it is announced by John Magruder, acting secretary-treasurer of the Association.

Speakers listed for the meeting include Dr. T. E. Woodward, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture; Dr. R. P. Thomas and Dr. Russell G. Rothgeb, of the University of Maryland; Edwin Warfield, of Woodbine; H. B. Derrick, county agent for Baltimore county; L. C. Burns, county age nt for Carroll county; and H. M. Carroll, county agent for Harford county.

Topics which will be discussed during the meeting are new rotations, grass and legume silage, hybrid corn, and the results of rapid soil testing experiments conducted in Maryland.

Winners in the Corn a nd Grain Show, which will be held in the Lord Baltimore Hotel, will be announced during the meeting as the judging of each class is completed.

RFC, RCC MAY INTERVENE IN ERIE REORGANIZATION

The Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the Railroad Credit Corporation have received authority from the Interstate Commerce Commission to intervene in the Erie Railroad reorganization proceedings.

The Erie owes the RFC $16,728,000 including interest, and owes the Railroad Credit Corporation about $690,000.

INDUSTRY EMPLOYS 189,000 WORKERS MORE IN NOVEMBER

American manufacturers provided jobs for 189,000 additional workers in November, although total employment in the United States declined fractionally as compared with October according to a survey by the National Industrial Conference Board made public today.

Major employment gains were registered in the construction industry, where 59,000 workers were added to the pay rolls, and in the mining industry with 7,000 new workers hired. Service industries, trade, distribution, finance and miscellaneous industries and services also continued to expand as a total of 237,000 workers were hired by these divisions of private enterprise.

Total employment in the United States declined 0.1 per cent in November, however, chiefly bcause about 530,00 agricultural workers were laid off, with farm employment dropping 4.7 per cent below October's figure.

EXAMINATION DATE SET

Havre de Grace, Md., Jan. 2.—The date for the examination for postmaster at the Havre de Grace office, with a salary of $2,600, has been set for January 17. The position has been vacant since the sudden death of Harry A. Coy in August.

ELKTON M. E. MEN'S CLUB EIECTS

At the annual meeting on Wednesday evening in the Church House, Prof. H. L. Hauser of the U. of the U. of Del., addressed the meeting. The annual election resulted in the election of Birtchell Keithley as President, Wm. Borland, Vice President, Guy Johnson, Secretary, Andrew D. Dean, Treasurer and Lynn D. Gillespie, Chaplain.

HELD FOR COURT

William Turner 39, who was arrested for the murder of Abraham Randolph on Christmas day was up before a coroners jury. The jury rendered a verdict that Turner be held without bail for the March term of court. Both the negroes were farm hands from the Chesapeake City section.

POWER PLUS RESPONSIBILITY

In today's Baltimore Sun, editorial column, appears the following which we reprint with the feeling that its appositeness and logic will appeal to all citizens, and to those of the Eastern Shore in particular:—

"IT MEANS RESPONSIBILITY"

Mr. Howard Bruce, Mr. William Curran, Mr. E. Brooke Lee and several other gentlemen deliberately assumed control, Tusday night, of the pre-session activities of the General Assembly. They selected, if they did not dictate, the presiding officers of the two houses, and they are expected to play a dominant role in the selection of the two Democratic floor leaders who thus become, by virtue of their offices, chairmen of the two most importantcommittees.

Thus it appears that the Democratic majority—and it is an overwhelming majority—is not to drift aimlessly and at cross purposes as it did in the last session, but is to have leadership. Has it occurred to the gentlemen who have thus taken the reins that leadership implies responsibility? Has it occurred to them that in thus assuming control they have put themselves in the position of having to bring a new spirit of dignity and seriousness into the proceedings on the floor?

The task before the new Legislature is no small one. It must face the fact that th people of the State have deliberately assumed nw social obligations, obligations which require money on a scale never before dreamed of in this frugal Stat. It must face the fact that , even after every possible economy is effected, there is no hope of fulfilling those obligations without new and more burdensome taxes. It must face the fact that, along with these taxes, there must be a complete rehabilitation of th fiscal structure of the State so that dubious policies may be abandoned and our threatened credit restored.

Facing up to this situation will require courage. To find the proper solution will demand constant application and the hardest kind of work. The solution can't be found if the members of the Legislature regard their ninety days at Annapolis as a grand lark, yet such is the strength of tradition that they will regard it in just that light if those who presume to lead them do not at the same time accept the responsibility that goes with the bargain.

Here Is Where Responsibility Lies

The headlines in the state press would give the impression that the General Assembly of Maryland was held up on Wednesday over the fight for floor leaders particularly in the Senate.

However to clarify the situation an editorial in the Baltimore Sun of Thursday, January 5th, captioned "It Means Res ponsibility", and which appears elsefhere in this issue, places the responsibility where it belongs, on Mr. Howard Bruce, Mr. William Curran and Mr. E. Brooke Lee.

This combination made the Spe aker of the House, President of the Senate, and will make the Chairman of the Finance Committee in the Senate which carries the floor leadership with it.

They will also name the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the House delegation which too carries the House floor leadership.

The best qualified man, with legislative experience for presiding officer of eithr house or for leadership, is James J. Lindsay, of Baltimore County.

NATIONAL GUARD NOTES

This is a busy season for the riflemen of the First Infantry, Maryland National Guard, who are seeking berths on teams being selected for three major matches.

Firing will get underway shortly in the Chief of the National Guard Bureau Match an dthe Hearst Trophy Match. And on February 19th a picked team of Maryland National Guardsmen will go to Washington firing against teams representing Guard units in the District of Columbia and Virginia.

The Maryland team will consist of eight men, picked from the First Infantry, the Fifth Infantry and the Headquarters Company of the 58th Brigade.

Prelinminary firing is now being held in armories throughout the state and scores made by the various contestants will be submitted to Brigade He adquarters in Baltimore.

The ten high men will be selected to make up the team, consisting of eight firing members an dtwo alternates.

The team will be in charge of the same officers that successfully whipped together the Maryland team that brought home the Hilton Trophy from the National Rifle Matches in Camp Perry last fall.

Captain William T. Terry, Fifth Regiment, will be Team Captain, and Captain Victor P. Gillespie, commanding officer of Company K, of Centreville, will be Team Coach.

The match was arranged when Major General Milton A. Reckord accepted a challenge issued by the Adjutant General of the District of Columbia. The match will be fired with the standard .22 caliber rifle used in all indoor firing conducted by the National Guard and will be governed by National Rifle Association rules.

PASTMASTERS ASSOCIATION MEETS

Havre de Grace—From Harford and Cecil County there gathered here fifty Pastmasters—F. & A. M. of the newly organized P. M. Association—an election was held and Dr. A. F. Van Bibber, of Bel Air, was elected President; G. Robert Little, of Darlington, First Vice President, and Robert Wheeler, of Cordiff, Second Vice Phesident.

Fortune survey reveals American public opinion favors militant collective security instead of isolation in foreign affairs.

CONTRACTORS START WORK ON NEW COURTHOUSE

The old building now having been torn down and the materials removed the Lacchi Construction Co., of Baltimore, moved onto the site and commenced work on the construction project. The old Fountain Inn was completely demolished and some additional wooden structures were moved before the contractors commncd.

MARYLAND MUSINGS

With an estimated yield of 780 pounds to the acre and a total production of 29,250,000 pounds from 37,500 acres the Maryland tobacco crop for 1938 shows an increase over that of 1937 when the acreage was 35,000, the average yield 670 pounds to the acre and the total production, 23,450,000 pounds, according to the Maryland Crop Reporting Service.

For the period 1927—1936 the average acreage of tobacco grown in Maryland was 35,400 acres, the average yield 721 pounds to the acre, and the average production 25,560,000 pounds.

AUTO OUTPUT IN 1939 EXPECTED TO REACH TOTAL OF 3,500,000

Detroit—The Automobile Manufacturers' Association set production for the calendar year of 1938 in the United States and Canada at approximately 2,635,000 passenger cars and trucks, or 47 per cent below 1937 "reflecting the full effect of the 1937-38 depression."

The wholesale value of the 1938 output was estimated at $1,616,000,000, which included 2,110,000 passenger cars value dat $1,283,000,000 and 525,000 trucks at a wholesale value of $333,000,000.

Parts, accessories, service equipment and replacements of parts and tires were manufactured to an estimated value of $980,000,000 during the year, the Association reported. Thus raising the total value of new vehicles, tributary products and manufactured replacements for 1938 to $2,596,000,000, or 41 per cent below 1937.

The association said 492,000 motor vehicles were sold abroad during the year which, with tires and parts exported from the United States and Canada, were valued at $286,340,000.

World registration of motor vehicles was set at 42,900,000, of which 68 per cent were registered in the United States. Of the latter total 25,150,000 were passenger cars and 4,250,000 were commercial vehicles.

County Commissioners Meet

EASTERN SHORE COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL SESSION

Meeting in special session, the County Commissioners of the Eastern Shore, attempted to outline a program of the needs of the Eastern shore to be presented for action by the incoming state legislative bodies

Of commanding importance was the question of the return of county roads to the counties for jurisdiction and maintenance. No definite decision was arrived at and a period of further study in order to get time to define the costs of setting up machinery and for maintenance was allowed. A committee will work with the legislature to obtain necessary action adequate to the situation.

The relief problem was given consideration.

Failure of the State relief taxes to provide adequate revenue caused the State to halt distribution of funds to the counties for direct relief last summer, thereby throwing the full burden of caring for unemployables onto the counties.

Bitter protests against this arrangement were voiced by several speakers but none offered a solution.

State Senator Dudley Roe said he thought the unemployment tax unsound and reported several business firms had either disbanded or changed ownership to avoid payment.

H. B. Messenger, Federalsburg, said Somerset county spent $4,000 annually for relief prior to 1933 "and no one was hungry or in want." He said relief cost in the county now is $150,000.

Relief is breaking morale of the recipients as now administered, said, State Senator Thomas S. Johnson, Worchester county. He said he had been informed of several cases where live stock was transferred and kept on another farm so that the farmer might be eligible for relief.

A Columbia University social worker, he said, had spent three days trying to learn who was the father of a negro boy and discovered nothing, the Senator said.

Before adjournment the association members were invited to Elkton for a meeting April 17.

ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The County Commissioners, at a special session last Friday, voted to cut the town's allotment to 8 per cent of the total county's share. Wicomico's allotment for the fiscal year is estimated at $73,472, which would make the town's allotment $5,877.

The Salisbury Mayor and Council will ask for a special meeting with the commissioners to discuss the decreased allotment. The other towns also will present their claims for larger allotments.

Salisbury and the other incorporated towns of the county were prepared today to wage a fight for an increased share of the county gasoline tax revenue, planning to carry their protest to the State Roads Commission, final arbiter, if necessary.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

An overturned automobile burned on Friday night on the Emerton road.

CAMPBELL RECAPTURED

Deputy Game Warden Snyder arrested Adolphus Campbell on Saturday and returned him to the Cecil County authorities at Elkton by whom he was taken to Chestertown jail to await the March term of Court. About a year and a half ago Campbell and six other men, serving sentences here, scaled the wall and escaped. The other six were recaptured, returned to jail and served out their sentences. Campbell was hunting in the upper end of Cecil County when he was seen by the game warden.

J. HARVEY GROVES DIES

J. Harvey Groves, 74, for many years engaged in business here, died last night in Wilmington after a brief illness.

The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon from Pippins Funeral Home, here, with interment in Elkton Cemetery.

WHEN WORDS FAIL

The golfer stepped up to the tee and drove off. The ball sailed straight dow nth fairway, le aped on to the green, and rolled into the hole. The golfer threw his club in the air with excitement.

"What have you suddenly gone crazy about?" asked his wife, who was trying to learn something about the game.

"Why, I just di da hole inone!" yelle dthe golfer, a wild gleam of delight in his eyes.

"Did you?" asked his wife placidly. "Do it again, dear, I didn't see you." —Cash vear.

Trend toward revision of some New Deal laws to make them more workable seen as Congress prepares to open.

GORDY AND JOHNSON FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Want to Succsed T. Alan Goldsborough in Washington

From Salisbury this week comes the announcement by the political pundits of that section that W. S. Gordy will be a candidate to succeed T. Alan Goldsborough as Representative from Maryland to the Washington House of Represntatives, in case Mr. Goldsborough gets the Judgeship which it is rumored has been promised him on the District of Columbia bench.

Almost coincident with the Gordy announcement, word has been received the State Senator-elect, Thomas F. Johnson, also aspires to this office and his many political friends are rallying around to help him to the office. This week Mr. Johnson takes his seat in the State Senate body. Mr. Johnson, is claiming the support of th State Central Committees of Worcester, Dorchester and Wicomico Counties. There was a persistant rumor, not verified, that Mr. Goldsborough looks with favor on Mr. Johnson's candidacy.

Mr. Johnson, who was elected State Senator from his home county of Worcester, was unopposed.

DROWNED IN THE SASSAFRAS RIVER

Ralph Cunningham 30, and G. Pancoast 65, both of Kenmore Park, Kent Co., were gunning for duck on the Sassafras on Thursday. In reaching overside to retrieve a shot duck the boat was capsized and Cunningham wes drowned. Pencoast precipitated into the water managed to stay afloat until rescued by Messers H. H. Mitchell, Elkton, George McKeown and George Schaefer of Chesapeake City, who were gunning nearby. Friday grapplers were seaching for the body of Cunningham. The accident occured about the mouth of Turners Creek, ten or twelve miles from Chestertown.

The body of Ralph Cunningham was recovered Saturday a short distance from the place where he went overboard.

FIREMAN INJURED

Havre de Grace—Walter McIlhenney was struck in the face by a piece of falling timber while he was fighting a Friday night fire here.

ELKTON KIAWANIS CLUB ENTERTAINS

All the college boys and girls, spending their holidays here, were the guests on Thursday last of the Kiwanis Club of Elkton, at a dinner held in the New Central Hotel dining room.

MISS NINA RASKOB ENGAGED

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Raskob of Pioneer Point Farm have announced the engagement of their daughter Nina to Charles Wesley Lyon, Jr., son of Chas. Wesley Lyon of Los Angeles, Cal. Young Mr. Lyon is taking a course in the University of Virginia Law School. Date of the wedding will be announced later.

PASSED BAD CHECKS, WILL NOW PASS YEAR IN JAIL

Starting his reformation in the best place (in jail) and at the best time (on January first), John Charles Garrett, who has been passing wothless checks on business men in Rising Sun and Elkton, was taken before the magistrate here, where he pleaded guilty and given a year's sentence. He seems to have been making a practice of this method of levying taxes to pay for what he did pay for, but beating the hotels seemed his main occupation.

INSTALLATION AT GLASGOW PENCADER GRANGE

Pencaker Grange, No. 60, installed its new officers at the semi-monthly meeting last night. Worthy Past Master Price conducted the celemonies, assisted by Ella D. Gooden as marshal, Dorothy Gorrell as regalia bearer and Elizabeth Hammond as emblem be arer. New committees were appointed. Mr. Gooden is the new worthy master.

FIRE AT BALDWIN PLANT, ELK MILLS

The Elkton Fire Department responded to a call from Elk Mills to subdue a fire of small proportions in the Baldwin Textile Co. Mill on Tuesday.

PROF. REYNOLDS SPEAKS

The Hytheham Women's Club of Port Deposit was addressed by Prof. Barclay Reynolds, of Rising Sun, formerly a Bryn Mawr teacher, on Tuesday.

WORLD NEWS of the WEEK

U. S. EUROPE ASIA

President Roosevelt reveals plan to train 20,000 boys annually as fliers to form huge reserve in case of emergency.

Coating that makes glass invisible is announced by Dr. K. B. Blodgett, woman researcher; transmits 99 per cent of light.

President Roosevelt plans countermove against attacks on WPA politics; considers forming non-partisan boards to investigate complaints, and civil service for all persons "in authoritative positions" in WPA.

Eighth Pan-American Conference ends sessions; Cordell Hull says New World will carry out adopted program pledging solidarity of Westedn Hemisphere against foreign aggression.

Frank Murphy, retiring Governor of Michigan, and ardent New Deal supporter, was named Attorney-General to succeed Homer S. Cummings.

French sell half interest in Skoda munitions plant to Czech Government representatives.

Hitler agrees to relax the campaign against elderly Jews.

France rushes reinforcements to French Somaliland to forestall any attempt by Italy to encroach on French territory.

Spanish insurgents make new gains in Catalonia; Loyalists may move Capital from Barcelona.

Germany warns South American countries on trade links; threatens to switch business to southeastern Europe if Latin American nations "succumb to machinations" directed against Germany.

Germany frees many arrested Jews on condition that they leave the country.

Ickes incident closed, German spokesman declares.

Minister of Propaganda is added to Cabinet in Soviet Government; A. A. Zdanoff is named to h ead bureau patterned after German methods.

Soviet press views German ambitions in the Russian Ukraine as smokescreen.

Italy is reported to have abandoned hope of territorial gains at the expense of France.

Soviet tightens labor discipline by new decrees aimed at habitual idlers.

Egypt assrts rights to consult in management of the Suez Canal.

Italy intensifies campaign to increase trade in the South American countries.

Tydings To Speak at Press Session

DELAWARE AND MARYLAND GROUPS WILL MEET AT ANNOPOLIS JAN. 21

U. S. Senator Millard E. Tydings of Maryland will address the annual meeting of the Del-Mar-Va Press Association which will be held jointly with the Maryland Press Association at Carvel Hall at Annapolis, Md. Saturday, Jan. 21.

He will address the luncheon meeting and there will be a banquet and dance in the evning. A program of entertainment will be provided for the women guests, including a visit to the governor's mansion. Gov. Herbert R. O'Conor is expected to participate in the program.

William B. Usilton III, president of the Del-Mar-Va Press Association, met with the directors of the Maryland Association in Baltimore last week and completed plans for the gathering.

The business meeting will start at 11 a. m. with a program of activities through the dinner dance. A newspaper discussion along professional lines will be included in the business session.

The Maryland Press Association met with the Del-Mar-Va Association last year at the Hotel DuPont when it was decided to hold this year's meeting in Annapolis.

A. O. H. Grier, secretary of the local organization, is sending out convention bulletins to all members throughout the Peninsula urging their attendance at the Annapolis convention.

CIVIC CLUB MEETING AT CHESAPEAKE CITY

The January meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs, held at the Civic Club, Chesapeake City yesterday was addressed by the State President Mrs. Harry Harcum.