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NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR FOR W. NOTTINGHAM

Eldon E. Basney Added To Faculty

An eminent young music student has been added to the faculty of West Nottingham Academy at Colora, Maryland, according to an announcement by Mr. J. Paul Slaybaugh, Headmaster. He is Mr. Eldon Eugene Basney, of Baltimore, Maryland.

Mr. Basney, who is taking charge of the music department at West Nottingham, is 26 years old, a native of Port Huron, Michigan. His father is a symphony violinist and his mother is a graduate pianist from the Musical Art Institute of Detroit.

He has been studying music and performing in public since the age of three years.

Beginning in 1929 Mr. Basney has studied violin, viola, composition, and voice at the Musical Arts Institute, Detroit, Sherwood Musical College, Chicago, and the Peabody Institute in Baltimore, winning the $200 prize as the most accomplished student at the latter institution in 1938.

In 1933-34 he studied art with Von Domica and violin with David Passernack in New York City. For six weeks during 1936 he was a soloist over N. B. C.

Cecil County Banker Injured

Perryville, Md., Dec. 4—Mr. Joseph Condon, large real estate owner and chairman of the Perryville National Bank, and Citizen's National Bank of Havre de Grace, was thrown down when a large dog, on a farm near Woodlawn leaped at Mr. Condon, who is an elderly man.

Mr. Condon was examined at the Maryland General Hospital, Baltimore, Md., which indicated no serious injury, his physician, Dr. J. F. McGraw, reports.

Mr. Condon had a broken his from a fall about a year ago.

Guernseys Are Sold To Brown

Paoli, Pa.,—Two registered Guernsey cows have recently been sold by James B. Robertson to Donaldson Brown, of Port Deposit, Md.

These animals are Fern Spring Mamie 438456 and Winsome Biserta 531851, according to The American Guernsey Cattle Club, Peterborough, N. H.

Judge Evans To Be Honored

Joshua Clayton, president, and the members of the bar for the second judicial district will unite on Monday evening, December 11th at a testimonial dinner, to honor Assiciate Judge James F. Evans. Governor Herbert R. O'Conor has been invited to attend.

Fire Company Benefit Play

Rising Sun, Md., Dec. 4 — The Absent Minded Bridegroom, will be presented on Thursday and Firday evenings of this week for the benefit of the lacal fire company.

Mrs. A. M. McNamee will direct the following local people in playing parts:

ev. J. B. Dickerson, Newell Jen- A. M. McNamee, James Yerkes, William Graham, Gertrude Buck, Lorraine Johnson, Jane Jenkins, Jean Garvin, Mary Buck, Mrs. A. M. McNamee, and Leonard Christie.

Md. Unemployment Compensation Report

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 8—A seasonable drop in certain industries continues to increase the number of benefit claims received by the Maryland Unemployment Compensation Board but this is not to be interpreted as an indication of a business slump.

Outdoor activities have slowed down and some indoor enterprises are usually dull at this time of the year.

Unemployment benefit payments in November aggregated $325,354, an increase of $13,230 over October, but the figure for November, 1938, was $556,664, or $241, 310 above the outlay for the corresponding period of this year.

The amount remaining in the Mary land reserve fund, dedicated to unemployment benefit payments, was, at the close of November, $16,153,-055.

Claims in the week ending December 2 amounted to 14,101, of which 588 were new, compared with 519 in the week immediately preceding.

In the four weeks ending December 2 the unemployment claims totalled 52,200 while in the preceding four-week period they aggregated 46,866.

Md Banks Made 50,000 New Loans

New York, Dec. 6 — Countering the assertion that banks are not lending, the American Bankers Association has released for publication the results of a survey of bank lending activity in Maryland showing that the commercial banks of the Old Line State made 50,000 new loans during the first six months of 1939 and renewed 180,000 outstanding loans aggregating $160,000,000 in the same period.

The survey also reveals that business firms in the state are using only about one quarter of the "open lines of credit" maintained for their use on the books of the banks.

These figures are based on reports received from 91, or 51 per cent of the commercial banks of the state and make allowance for the concentration of lending activity in tne metropolitan area of Baltimore.

The 91 banks reported they made 28,629 new loans totaling $51,788,-799 between January 1 and June 30, 1939, and renewed 97,490 outstanding loans totaling $111,673,485. In addition, they reported making 1,-128 new mortgage loans to home owners and other real estate owners totaling $4,260,373.

The average number of new loans reported per bank was 315 and the average loan was for $1,809.

The average number of renewals reported per bank was 1,071 and the average renewal was for $1,145.

The average number of new mortgages reported per bank was 12 and the average mortgage was for $3,-777.

In addition to making loans on individual applications, the banks of the larger cities maintain what are known as "open lines of credit" on their books, available to regular business borrowers at all times. Eleven banks reported such open lines of credit totaling $53,306,350. However, only $14,720,438, or 27 per cent of this credit, was being used by business firms on June 30.

State's 4-H Champion Meat Producer Named

Maryland's champion 4-H meat producer for the year is Charles R. Rathell, Jr., 19, of Wye Mills, who was named for the annual honor by Associate State Club Leader Mylo S. Downey.

In his four years of club work the boy handled 15 baby beeves, 15 hogs and 12 sheep. He took part in 10 judging contests, placing second in the 1938 state event and was on the winning team at the 1939 Eastern Shore State fair. On 41 animals shown in at county and state fairs the boy won $126 in cash prizes and values his other returns at $4800. "My results have shown that livestock can be raised profitably in our locality," states the boy, "where there has been general doubt of it before."

The boy was chosen as one of four highest rating state champions to receive a trip to the 18th National 4-H Club Congress held in connection with the International Live Stock Exposition in Chicago, December 1-9, there the three most worthy will be presented $200 college scholarships provided with all other awards by Thomas E. Wilson for the tenth year.

New Grayhound Rest House

Havre de Grace, Md., Dec. 3 — Since the completion of the dual highway from Havre de Grace to Baltimore, the Greyhound Bus Lines have considered location of a local Posthouse for convenience of the lines passengers.

A new building was erected at Hokeland near here, which was opened on Saturday, under management of Frank Murphy who was manager for some years at Havre de Grace.

7 COUNTIES HAVE ROAD OVERDRAFTS

Deficits In Construction Fund Accounts Total $73,260

Seven counties had overdrafts totaling $73,260 in their county construction fund acciunts at the close of the last fiscal year, William A. Codd, auditor of the State Roads Commission, said yesterday.

The accounts of the counties will be improved, however, when the Federal feeder allotment of $121,357 is distributed, the auditor asserted.

Frederick led the counties with deficits, having gone into the hole to the extent of $34,897. Wicomico had an overdraft of $10,045; Kent county, $13797; Garrett, $7,159; Calvert $1,818; Talbot, $1,513, and Allegany $29.

The other counties with large credit balances follow:

County	Account
Ann Arundel	$ 52.792
Baltimore	77,566
Caroline	21,733
Carroll	35,530
Cecil	52,090
Charles	21,373
Dorchester	56,228
Harford	107,437
Montgomery	27,452
Prince George's	18,824
Queen Anne's	18,900
St. Mary's	22,646
Washington	32,226

Baltimore City had a credit balance of $20,477.

December Jury Changes

Elkton, Md., Dec. 3—Twelve jurors drawn for the December term of the Cecil County Circuit Court have been excused from service. These include: John M. Reed, Howard N. Loraine, and John Sagers, Chesapeake City; Arthur B. Cameron, George B. Davis, and Joseph W. Clay, Elkton; William J. Kelly and Joseph Dvorak, Jr., Fair Hill; Robert C. Reeder, North East; Horace M. Duyckink, Rising Sun; Joseph B. Umstead, Port Deposit; and Ormand R. Burroughs, Perryvilel.

Those drawn to fill the vacancies are: Fred A. Ginn, Frank S. Hutton, and Ralph E. Bowers, Chesapeake City; J. Frank Blake, Jr., John W. McCool, and Harry Bessick, Elkton; John W. Henderson and Arthur A. Mackie, Fair Hill; J. Edward Davis, North East; Ralph E. Reed, Rising Sun; George McCardell, Port Deposit; Albert C. Winchester, Stewart and William E. Boyd, Perryville, and Walter C. Childs, Oakwood.

Elkton P. T. A. Meeting

The December meeting of the Elkton P. T. A. will be held in the auditorium of the Elkton High School Wednesday evening, December 13, 1939, at 7:45 P. M.

There will be no business meeting. The Howard Street school will give a Christmas entertainment. Christmas carols will be sung by the Elkton Elementary School.

Factory Employment Up 850,000 Since May

Secretary Perkins estimated today a net gain of 25,000 in factory employment from mid-October, despite seasonal curtailment in canning and apparel industries.

The Secretary of Labor said increased production activities in steel, aircraft, cotton textiles, machinery and slaughtering accounted for the gains. There usually is a decline in factory employment in November.

Since last May a steady increase in industrial activity, she said, has added approximately 850,000 workers to factory pay rolls.

The Low Down From Hickory Grove

Seems like I am seeing more and more of these cars with an E on the license plate. And instead of just a little E, they should have a big sign on the door reading—Politician's car, paid for by the Taxpayers.

And you know, the more you see of these exempt outfits, the more it kinda soaks in what kind of a sucker you are for not getting one for your ownself.

Having a nice 1940 chaise with free gas, and a free license plate—and the car free in the first place—and all you have to do is drive it, stranger, those boys, they got something.

I am not much for getting excited about just another politician, but their exempt, free cars, they kinda get me. They half-way get me agitated. Kinda like on the Fox farm where the young lady visitor just out of college, she asked the proprietor about how many times you could skin a fox. And the boss gulped and he says, sister, these foxes, he says, after you skin 'em about a couple times, you know, they commence to get just a trifle vexed and agitated.

Yours, with the low down,
JO SERRA.

Md. Motorists Pay Record Gas Tax

Information received today from J. Millard Tawes, Comptroller of the State of Maryland reveals the fact that Maryland motorists again paid a record gasoline tax during the month of October of this year. The motorists of Maryland during October consumed 25,187,462 gallons of gasoline and paid to the State of Maryland $1,007,498.48 in gasoline tax revenue.

Comptroller Tawes in making public the huge collection of gasoline tax revenue, expressed complete satisfaction. He noted particularly the fact thtat this collection exceeded by over $64,000, the amount collected during October of 1938. Likewise Comptroller Tawes said that this collection marked the sixth straight month that the gasoline tax has yielded over $1,-000,000.

The money, said Comptroller Tawes, will be sent to the State Roads Commission, Baltimore City and the various counties in compliance with the State Budget and now that the misuse of motor vehicle revenue has been stopped, Maryland motorists are assured that the money will be spent for the purposes for which it was collected.

LARGER VESSELS TO TRANSIT CANAL

Greater Depth Increases Canal Capacity

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 2 — This week or next the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal management will allow larger vessels to transit the canal, as Major C. W. Burlin, district engineer, Phliadelphia, is expected to issue an order to that effect.

The projected depth of 27 feet at mean low water has now been almost reached. The necessary dredging will shortly be completed and vessels of between 25 and 26 feet draft will pass through the canal, instead of the present 24 foot draft limit. The width of the canal is now 250 feet at the bottom, was also necessary to care for larger hulls.

While the anticipated contract finish was set for early spring, slides and deeper dredging extended the work period.

Mr. Condon had a broken hip from

Women's Club Meeting

The Women's Club meeting held on Tuesday at the church house, was addressed by Major Alfred N. Phillips Jr., former congressman for Connecticut.

Adjusted Compensation Act

The time expires on January 2, 1940 for filing applications for adjusted service certificates known to many as "World War Bonds". When the adjusted compensation act was originally passed, three and one-half years were provided for claiming benefits. Later, liberalizations raised the period to fifteen years. All World War veterans or their dependents who desire and are entitled to these benefits should therefore file before January 2, 1940, as that is the final date for submitting applications. Assistance in completing the applications for those desiring it may be obtained from any service organization, Fort McHenry, Baltimore, Maryland, or The Maryland Veterans Commission, 202 Guilford Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland.

It is estimated that there are 140,-000 veterans or their eligible dependents who have not applied.

Alexander Onizuk Buys City Tailors Plant

The Elkton plant of the City Tailor was bought by Alexander Onezeek, Omar L. Carson announced.

R. Doyle McFadden, manager here, will go to the Havre de Grace plant. Mr. Onezeek has been connected with the City Tailors' plant as a tailor.

Supper At Perryville

A roast beef supper will be held in the Jr. O. U. A. M. Hall in Perryville on Wednesday, December 13, from 5 to 7 P. M. by ladies of the Susquehanna Unit 135 of the American Legion Auxiliary. 40 cents per plate, dessert, 10 cents extra.

Cook Wanted At Perry Point

The Civil Service Commission examination for an assistant cook at a salary of $1200 per year, for the Veterans Administration, will be held on or before December 13.

Candidates will be rated on training and experience.

EUROPE CASHES PART OF HOLDINGS

Treasury Reports Foreign Nations Sell $16,540,000 Of U. S. Stock In Aug.

England, France, Germany, Italy Holland and Canada liquidated part of their holdings of American securities in the month before the war, the Treasury reported today.

The monthly Treasury bulletin showed that in August, England reduced its holdings by $1,285,000, France by $1,254,000, Germany by $583,000, Italy by $34,000, and Canada by $5,852,000.

In England and France, the selling was concentrated in the first week of August, but Germany and Canada sold consistently through Aug. 30, the day before German troops moved into Poland.

Throughout the world, foreign holdings of American securities declined $16,540,000 during the month, making a cumulative reduction of $45,210,000 since the first of the year.

Because large quantities of foreign bank deposits came into this country during August, however, the net flow of capital resulted in a $228,178,000 movement of foreign money into the United States.

Countries which increased short term banking deposits in this country during August included, France, $31,410,000; Netherlands, $18,641,-000; Switzerland, $35,736,000; various small European countries, $45,-839,000; Canada, $63,426,000; Latin America, $18,084,000; and Far East, $51,868,000.

Withdrawing bank deposits were England, $8,701,000; Germany, $2,-492,000; Italy, $5,209,000.

With the large movement of foreign funds to the United States in August, the total foreign money moved to this country in 1939 reached $1,086,105,000, the largest for about three years.

Nov. School Attendance

The Cecil County School attendance report of E. H. Barnes, attendance officer shows attendance high i nall groups of schools during the month.

In one teacher schools, Fair Hill leads with 98.3%.

In Graded Schools, Elk Mills is first with 97.0%.

In two Teacher Schools, Providence leads 97.9%.

In High Schools Northeast leads 94.8%.

In Colored Schools, 99.0%

Elkton High School, Colored, 89.8%.

Trip To Shenandoah

Mr. James Spry, Mr. Allen Faquette, and Miss Martha Faquette, of Elkton, explored the famous Endless Caverns at New Market, Va., while on a motor trip through the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia.

Penna. R. R. Man Retires

Perryville, Md., Dec. 4—After 45 years of service with the Penna. R. R. Robert H. Himes, bridge carpenter, was retired on Friday and his name placed on the honorary roll of the company.

What Can Farm People Expect For 1940?

This question is uppermost in the minds of many rural people as the first of the new year draws closer.

"Farm cash incomes may be expected to increase next year, according to information received from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, the total receipts from marketing farm products are expected to increase in all parts of the United States."

The expected increase in farm profits was due to improved business conditions which would mean that city workers will have more money to spend and thus would increase the demand for farm products.

However, costs of things farm families buy can be expected to rise generally throughout the Nation.

According to Government estimates, food prices are expected to climb gradually; clothing prices are already starting up, and many supplies needed by farm folk will be higher in 1940.

There is a ray of hope for farm people. If costs of living rise, the farm family, as a group, will feel the pinch less than than many city families because they can offset the rise in food prices, at least in part, by planning to produce a larger-than-usual share of their food supplies at home. This will release cash for purchases and the farm families thus will be enabled to buy more of the things and services they cannot produce.

Annual Cecil Co 4-H Banquet

The Annual Cecil County 4-H Banquet will be held at the Bay View Community Hall Friday night, December 13 at 7:00 P. M. sharp. The following program is being planned for the celebration of 25 years of 4-H Club work: A group of songs by the Calvert group; 25 years of club work for older 4-H youth; Values of 4-H—Nell Waddell, Conowingo; My Pig Project, Robert MacDonald, Rising Sun; My Calf Project, Bobby England, Calvert; Perry Point Specialties, Perry Point Club; Playlet, Appleton 4-H Club; 4-H Harmonica Band; Group singing with Edith Reynolds, Elkton, pianist, and Virginia Roach, Principio Furnace, director. Style Review of Cotton School dress, Sport dress, Best dress, Woolen dress, Wool suit.

The program will conclude with the Candle Ligthing Service under the direction of Daddy Jenkins, head of the 4-H program at the University of Maryland.

The usual fine supper is being planned by the Homemakers of Bay View. The price is 50 cents and an additional 10 cents will be added for those purchasing tickets at the door.

Tickets may be purchased from the following people: Olene Rhodes, Rising Sun; Charlotte Bailey, Cecilton; Betty Fell, Nottingham, Pa.; Mary Lou Wilson, North East; Grace Dixon Cecilton; Carolyn Beauchamp, Perryville; Rowena Neal, Perry Point; Katherine Hubis, Elkton, No. 5; Shirley McCordell, Liberty Grove; Lois Jackson, Perryville; Ruby Anderson, Conowingo; Catherine Strong, Principio Furnace; May Burkins, Colora.

Cherry Hill is to assist with the decorations.

John H. Johnson Reelected

John H. Johnson, of Gate City, Virginia, has been reelected a director of the Farm Credit Board of Baltimore for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1940.

Mr. Johnson was elected by the national farm loan associations of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia nad West Virginia.

He was for 18 years secretary-treasurer of the Scott County (Va.,) National Farm Loan Association and formerly owned and operated 3,500 acres of farming and grazing land. He has been a director of the Farm Credit Board of Baltimore since 1925 and was formerly vice-president of a Gate City bank.

One director at large and two district directors are appointed by the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration. A third district director is also appointed by the Governor from candidates nominated by the national farm loan associations of the district.

Omar D. Crothers Resumes Practice

Attorney Omar D. Crothers, now a resident of Baltimore, who for several years was a member of the State Industrial Accident Commission, and whose term recently expired, has resumed private practice with offices in Baltimore.

Telephone Employe Testimonial Dinner

At the Howard House, the local telephone people tendered a testimonial dinner to Miss Helen B. Pierson, at the completion of her years of service and on reaching retirement age.

She is succeeded by Miss Ruth McCool.

Star Council's 44th Year

Principio Furnace, Md., Dec. 4 — Guests present from Pennsylvania and Maryland Councils of the U. A. Mechanics, sat down to an oyster dinner as guests of Star Council No. 7 in celebration of the Star Council's 44th anniversary.

State Councilor from from Maryland, Howard McGurk, addressed the gathering.

Civil Service Exams

Inspector, ordnance material, $2,-300 a year, also senior inspector, $2,-600 a year, associate inspector, $2,-000 a year, assistant inspector, $1,-800 a year, and junior inspector, $1,620 a year, Ordnance Department, War Department.

Protozoologist, $3,800 a year, associate protozoologist, $3,200 a year, assistant protozoologist, $2,600 a year, Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture.

Technical assistant to chief of probation and parole, $3,800 a year, assistant supervisor of classification, $3,800 a year, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice.

Projectionist, $1,620 a year, The National Archives.

Full information may be obtained from H. E. W. Bouchelle, Elkton, Maryland.

WORLD NEWS of the WEEK

U. S. EUROPE ASIA

Washington, Dec. 4—At the close of the year the President will have received from the departments the facts necessary to enable him to formulate his budget for action by the Congress which meets in January. This is keeping all the department heads busily at work and will keep many until the entire budget is completed.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 1—Politics mixed with relief in Ohio has brought on a crisis with the relief clients getting short rations or none.

Moscow, Dec. 4 — The U. S. advised Moscow not to fight Finland and they are fighting. We advised against bombing cities, and they are now being bombed extensively. Now we are asking plane builders not to sell any more planes to Russia, but it develops that Russia makes her own bombs and planes.

New York, Dec. 4—Fritz Kuhn was convicted last week by a jury for thefts committed from his German Bund society. Indications are for an appeal.

Detroit, Dec. 1—Chrysler's 60,000 striking workers after a fifty-four day payless rest now return to work.

Washington, Dec. 4—In October seventy million in gold came here, which is much less than the six hundred and six million that came in April or the 326 million of September. On November 22 it was reported we held seventeen and one-fourth billions gold in the U. S. which is more than double the 8 billion in November, 1934.

Washington, Dec. 4 — Renewed rumblings and blasts of protest in this city from both Democrats and Republicans against the Hull treaties and negotiations. Republicans aver that they and some sympathetic Democrats will have the matter debated in Congress after January 1940.

New York, Dec. 4—Last week Prosecutor Thomas E. Dewey announced his candidacy for the Republican Presidential nomination, as New York's favorite son. Mr. Dewey's reputation, built on his success in convicting and jailing the Tammany members associated with criminals in the city rackets.

Washington, Dec. 4 — Diplomatic circles as well as parlimentary are commencing to show some interest in the politics of the country. Our war position and sympathy being known, the next question most frequently under consideration is the man the Democrats will name for President.

Helsinki, Dec. 3 — Airplanes, bombs and infantry with artillery attacked the Finnish by Russian border troops. The effort to date shows Russian gains, with Finns at bay. An agreement may be reached this week.

Copenhagen, Dec. 3—All Scandinavia watches with breathless interest the military movements in the Russo-Finnish clash. Scandinavian sympathy is wholly with Finland.

London, Dec. 4—Sweeping operation by British naval forces to clear the sea around England of the floating mine menace, has been only partially successful, but channels have been maintained for incoming and outgoing vessels.

Paris, Dec. 4—France has granted to Premier Daldier an extension of power amounting almost to dictatorship for the duration of the war.

Rome, Dec. 4—The British order to confiscate all German trade, incoming and out going, even in nutral vessels, strikes a staggering blow to Italy, which has been handling an immense tonnage of German trade.

London, Dec. 4—The delicate balance that must necessarily be maintained by the Balkan Countries is especially important for Yugoslovia, which while sympathetic to the Allies must also concede some trade to Germany. Rumania, between Russia and Germany, must present a definite front but dare not antagonize either for fear of consequences.

Berlin, Dec. 4—Wistful thinking in Germany is being discarded in connection with the hoped for supplies to be received from Russia. The Russian surplus over her own needs seems to have been astonishingly over estimated.

Bucharest, Dec. —Rumania has warned Russia all Rumanian rights must be respected and honored. The Soviet pressure has been applied recently, but so far unsuccessfully.