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WARNING!

Issued To Public By Health Authorities—To Prevent Colds, Grip, Influenza

"As a means of preventing colds, grippe, influenza, or whatever you choose to call the ailment that is usually prevalent at this season, keep yourself as fit as possible. Get plenty of sleep. Don't overdo. Eat regular times, and nourishing food. Don't overeat. Drink plenty of water. Take some exercise out of doors every day.

"Avoid sudden chilling. If your work or your pleasure takes you out in all sorts of weather, protect yourself against chilling by dressing accordingly. If you are caught unprepared in a shower and get wet, change to dry clothes and shoes as soon as you can.

"Colds are spread from person to person through the discharges from the nose and throat. Dodge the spray of the sneeze. If you have a cold, or your neighbor has one, follow the Chinese custom of shaking hands with yourself.

"Use soap and water generously. Wash the hands thoroughly and often, and always before eating. Have your own towel and drinking cup and don't swap pencils and things of that sort with others.

"Be as considerate of your neighbor as you would like him to be of you. Don't broadcast your germs. Cover your mouth with your handkerchief when you cough or sneeze. It is a good thing to use soft paper handkerchiefs or cheese cloth when you have a cold, and to burn or otherwise dispose of them, after using, to prevent passing your germs on to other people.

"If you become ill, go to bed and call your physician. Don't attempt home treatment."

UNION HOSPITAL TO RESTRICT VISITORS TEMPORARILY

Because of the prevalence of colds, grippe and some influenza, the Superintendent of Union Hospital, Elkton, together with the Medical Staff of the Hospital and the Cecil County Health Department, requests the public to limit the visits to the immediate families of patients confined in the hospital.

This precaution has been taken in behalf of the welfare of the patients, so that there may be no interference with their recovery.

The action has been adopted temporarily until these diseases, which have been so prevalent throughout the entire country, subside. The Health Department has also issued instructions to the public for the prevention and spread of these common diseases.

(Miss) Elizabeth Stewart, R. N. Supt., Union Hospital, Jan. 25, 1937 Elkton, Md.

GONCE WILL CASE RULING

The Court of Appeals of Maryland, has handed down an opinion reversing the finding of the Circuit Court for Cecil county, in the suit of Frank Biggs and others, against Merritt Smith, executor under the will of the late Mrs. Annie L. Gonce, of Cecilton, district. The will was contested in the court at Elkton, on the grounds of testamentary incapacity, and a verdict was rendered declaring the will null and void.

The Court of Appeals has handed down an opinion reversing the finding of the Circuit Court, remanding the case back for a new trial. The estate is valued at about \$3500, and a number of relatives who were not mentioned in the will as beneficiaries, joined in the contest to break the will.

SEVERELY SCALDED

Joan, aged five years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hanna, of this town, was severely scalded about the legs and body, on Saturday afternoon. The little girl stumbled and fell into a bucket of hot water that had just a moment before been placed upon the bathroom floor. Medical aid was immediately summoned and everything possible done to relieve the suffering of the little girl. She is improving rapidly and no serious consequences are expected.

LESLIE HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The newly elected officers of Leslie Homemakers Club are: President, Mrs. Elsie Janney; Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams; secretary, Mrs. Beatrice Harris; treasurer, Mrs. Marian Walback; parliamentarian, Mrs. Mary Gray; executive committee chairman, Mrs. Rose Tyson.

Short Paragraphs

The Ninth District Farmers Club met on Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fassitt, near Sylmar.

Thos. F. Grier has sold for Alice Singleton, her dwelling in Sylmar, to J. A. Thomason, Hopewell, Pa.

John L. Tosh has purchased what is known as the Joseph Lincoln farm, at the top of Pigeon Hill, just west of town.

Miss Sara Wallis, of Chesapeake City, has accepted a position as nurse in the Children's Hospital, Denver, Colorado.

The mercury took a tumble in thermometers Monday night, registering twenty degrees on Tuesday morning.

Woodrow and James have sold their 65-acre farm, about one mile west of town, to Cicero Carlis, of near Rowlandville, at private terms.

Residents of the Blue Ball-Childs section held a public meeting at Childs on Wednesday evening to discuss the improvement of that much-traveled highway.

Dr. W. A. Bridges, of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, will conduct a clinic at the County Health Dept. Office, Elkton, on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at 10:00 a. m.

Rising Sun firemen were called to the dwelling of Zed Barton, near Woodlawn, Monday morning, to extinguish a chimney fire. No damage was done by the threatening blaze.

Francis Kennard, of this town, has purchased the M. E. parsonage and is having repairs and improvements made preparatory to moving into it. The reported purchase price was \$2,500.

Harold E. Cobourn, Democratic State Senator from Cecil County, has introduced a bill calling for a general re-assessment of real estate and personal property in 1939 instead of 1937.

T. J. Baker, one of Elkton's marrying parsons, was fined \$5.00 and costs by Magistrate Miller of Elkton last week, because of the failure of his son Joseph, under 16 years of age, to attend school.

Edward Burke, manager of the Havre de Grace track, has, according to announcement made by William duPont, been named manager of Delaware Park, the new race track in Delaware near Stanton.

A Ford truck loaded with wood and owned by John Reese, of Childs, was totally destroyed by fire on the road near Cherry Hill on Monday afternoon, before the Elkton Fire Company arrived on the scene.

The Third District Auxiliary of Union Hospital has elected the following officers: Mrs. Thomas McIntire, President; Mrs. George Woodall, Vice President; Mrs. Theodore Ott, Secretary, and Mrs. Jesse Pierson, Treasurer.

The February meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Louise Brokaw on Thursday, the 11th, at 2:00 p. m. Devotional leader, Mrs. Jean Shepherd; program leader, Mrs. Chas. S. Fyle.

James Lee Rogers, of Zion, Cecil county, was arrested by State Officer H. F. Schultheis Thursday afternoon in Havre de Grace, for driving an automobile while intoxicated. Magistrate Vancherie imposed a fine of \$100 and costs, which was paid.

George Webb Constable, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Pepper Constable, of Baltimore, recently passed the Maryland Bar Examination. Mr. Constable graduated from Princeton in '33 and Yale Law School in '36. He will be associated with a large Law Firm in Baltimore City.

Tuesday, the second, was Ground Hog Day, and as the sun was shining brightly part of the day, the little animal should have had no difficulty in seeing his shadow. This, we are told, portends six more weeks of winter. As we have had very little real winter weather so far, it is reasonable to expect that some is headed this way.

PUBLIC HEARING

Congressman T. Alan Goldsborough has arranged for a hearing to be held before the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors on the proposed improvement of North East River, Cecil county, Md., at 2:45 p. m., February 16, 1937, in Room 2848 Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

Bills Aimed At Marriage Racket

Measures Introduced To Curb Matrimonial Business

Long a foe of the "marrying parsons," who have united in matrimony countless young people from Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and other neighboring states, Senator Harold E. Cobourn (Dem., Cecil) sponsors three bills that he said would curb the powers of the parsons and give organized churches the prerogative of performing marriages.

One would raise the marriage license fee from \$2—which is less than the tax for a dog license—to \$5. The difference would go to the county for paving county roads.

None of his three measures would apply to any other county than Cecil. The second would establish what he said would be prohibitive fees for billboards advertising "marrying parsons." The costs to the parsons would range from \$100 to \$250, depending upon the size of the signs. At present, only a city ordinance prevents the Elkton ministers who specialize in marriages from erecting all the billboards they wish within the city limits, and they are not forbidden to advertise on the highways leading into Elkton.

The third would provide that marriage licenses be issued only from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. week days, with no issuance on Sundays.

CHARGED WITH ASSAULTING OFFICERS

Charged with assaulting two policemen in Central police station-house, Baltimore, Tuesday night last, Daniel Garrett, 43 years old, of Elkton, was released on \$75 collateral for a hearing before Magistrate Elmer H. Miller.

Garrett, the police said, punched Patrolman John Schreck, who is the footman on the patrol wagon, and then grabbed Turnkey Frederick Jones and shook him so hard that the policeman required treatment at Mercy Hospital for a sprained neck. Garrett described himself as a real estate operator. He was arrested at Baltimore and Calvert Streets where he allegedly was creating a disturbance. Friends told police that he had "been to a party."

SWEEPSTAKES WINNER IN MD. STATE CORN SHOW

T. Wilson Galbreath, of Street, was named winner of the Maryland trophy for the best ten ear exhibit of corn and Grand Sweepstakes winner this year in the annual Maryland Corn Show held in Baltimore during the meetings of the Farm Bureau Federation.

F. W. Oldenburg, agronomist for the Extension Service, says that the standard of the corn shown in the Maryland Corn Show this year compared favorably with that shown in the International Grain and Hay Show. Many of the Maryland entries that ranked high in the western show also came through in good standing in the state show.

In the special yellow corn exhibit at Chicago, Noah Arbaugh, of Westminster, received second honors whereas the exhibit from the same grower in the state show won eight positions.

BEFORE THE MAGISTRATE

Clarence Cavis, colored, of Oxford, Pa., was haled before Magistrate Geo. L. Ewing, on Monday last, charged with operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and reckless driving. He drew a fine of \$101 and costs and took an appeal.

John P. Bouchelle, of North East, arrested for driving a car with inadequate brakes was fined by Magistrate Ewing \$6.45.

Martin A. Ragan, of Kensington, Md., was before the Magistrate charged with driving at a rate of speed exceeding forty-five miles, and paid a fine of \$10.45.

BILL TO CURB BOOTLEGGING

A bill to curb bootlegging in the county, has been prepared by States Attorney E. D. E. Rollins. The bill gives the right of search and seizure to the police authorities. The measure was patterned after a bill which will be introduced for Frederick county and is aimed to put an end to those selling liquor without a license.

There are many roadhouses in the county engaged in the business, it is said. A draft of the bill was forwarded to Delegates Reynolds, Bristow and Manlove, and to State Senator Harold E. Cobourn.

January Mildest Since Civil War

U. S. Weather Observer Backs Statement With Records

January was an unusually mild month, as we all know. The average temperature, for the month, according to Official Weather Observer H. K. Snyder, of the U. S. Department of Agriculture was 39.3 degrees, which is 9.7 degrees above the average for the last 74 years. The lowest temperature was 22 degrees. Only five days were actually clear during the month, and the precipitation of rain was extraordinary. The total rainfall was 6.42 inches during the month, 2.43 inches more than the 81 year average.

Exactly 1.3 inches of snow fell. The average snow fall for the past 67 years is 8.5 inches. The greatest January precipitation was in 1834, when 7.32 inches fell, and the least in 1849, when the records show .81 of an inch.

LIBRARIAN MCCOOL UNDER FIRE

John R. McCool, state librarian, is being attacked for hiring a "junior assistant" with Governor Nice's "cushion fund." The latter fund was the object of a determined study by the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

The case of a new position in the state librarian's department is that occupied by Mrs. Frankie Wilson, a Baltimore lawyer, who is listed in the new budget as "junior assistant state librarian."

John W. McCool, Elkton Republican politician, state librarian, receives a salary of \$1,500 a year—he did in '36 and '37 and is scheduled for the same for '38 and '39. Mrs. Wilson was hired with the "cushion fund" as his "junior assistant" at \$1,658.96 during the current fiscal biennium. The new budget would continue her in that job at the same pay.

AID FOR FLOOD SUFFERERS

The local Red Cross committee is highly gratified at the immediate and wholehearted response of the people of this entire community to the appeal for clothing, blankets, money and articles that would be of use to those unfortunate sufferers in the flood-stricken area. Shortly after word was passed around by telephone and other means on Wednesday morning last, bundle after bundle of relief articles began to appear, as if by magic, and were left on the steps of the M. E. Church building, here. By one o'clock in the afternoon a truck load of packages, bundles and boxes of articles of every description had been piled on the steps of the Church, to be taken later to Elkton by a truck very kindly loaned by the S. M. Ward firm, and loaded in a freight car for immediate shipment to the flood area.

This same immediate and generous response came from every community throughout the county, the amount of money and goods collected within a few hours being a revelation to everyone.

GAME RELEASES IN COUNTY

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, over seven hundred rabbits were distributed and released throughout Cecil County. These animals, for the purpose of increasing the depleted stock of wild life in the county, were sent from the State Game Conservation Department. They were distributed by Harold E. Cobourn, Esq., of Perryville; Mr. Standley Evans, of Elkton; Mr. Paul A. Barrett, of Port Deposit, and Mr. H. M. Duyckinck, of Rising Sun. These men distributed the rabbits to farmers and owners of woodland, who in turn released them.

STATE-WIDE MARRIAGE BILL

State Senator Wilbur F. Davis, of Caroline County, has introduced in the Maryland Senate a 72-hour resident bill for the State. The bill, if passed, will require all out of State couples a 72-hour residence in Maryland before they can get a license to be married. The bill is a popular one in the Senate and is likely to be passed there.

CECIL COUNTY FOXHUNTERS

The Cecil County Foxhunters Association at their last monthly meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. Leslie Ford, Coochs Bridge, Del.; Vice-President, Willet Yerkes, Calvert; Treasurer, Clarence Webb, Cecilton; Secretary, Allee Armour, Rising Sun; Directors, Arthur P. Bailey, L. B. Manlove and B. A. Keithley.

Personal And Social

Mrs. Marry Cherry is visiting Miss Agnes Cherry, Germantown, Pa.

Miss Martha Yocum, who sustained an operation for appendicitis at Union Memorial Hospital, Baltimore, was able to return to her home at West Nottingham on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Wooleyhan, of Earleville, quietly celebrated their fifty-ninth wedding anniversary on Sunday, January 24. Only their children and several grandchildren were present.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Boyles, of Warwick, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Anna Evelyn to Mr. Clifton W. Morgan, of Wilmington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin G. Morgan, of Chesapeake City.

Among the graduates of Goldey College, Wilmington, to receive their certificates at the annual exercises at the Hotel du Pont, on Friday evening, were Frederick J. Best, Rising Sun; Helen Williams, of Calvert, and Marcia Gallaher, of Elkton.

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MINISTERS URGE CHANGE IN MARRIAGE LAW

The Wilmington District Ministerial Association in Session, January 26, 1937, adopted the following resolution:

We, the members of the Ministerial Association of the Wilmington District of the Methodist Episcopal Church—a considerable number of whom reside within the borders of the State of Maryland—in session at North East, Maryland, on this 25th day of January 1937, do hereby urge the Maryland Legislature during its present session to enact a law making it mandatory that a marriage license be not valid, after its issuance, until the expiration of a period of 24 hours, if one or both, of the contracting parties are residents of the State, and a period of 48 hours if neither of the contracting parties is a resident of the State.

CHICKEN-THIEF HUNTERS BAG 100-GALLON STILL

Oat hunting for chicken thieves, a Howard county posse on Saturday found a 100-gallon whisky still in a woods about four miles from Laurel and arrested two men, of whom one got away, Sheriff J. Frank Curtis reported.

The Sheriff said that Kyle Suttkim of Floyd county, Va., was taken into custody on the site of the still, but that the operator, whom he identified as Clarence Goad, broke away from the officers and is still at large.

The posse was composed of State Patrolman J. J. Thompson, loaned to Howard county by State police authorities, and Constable J. Edwin Carr. The still was destroyed and Suttkim is to be turned over to Federal officers on a charge of attempting to evade alcohol tax laws.

Suttkim is a fugitive from justice from Cecil county, and is well known in this locality.

ROAD OILING PROGRAM IN COUNTY

Sections of road in Cecil county included in the road oiling program are: Principio-Jackson Station road, distance 2.5 miles; Barksdale-Appleton road, 2.0 miles; Middle Neck road, 2.0 miles; Bay View-Farmington, 4.0 miles.

An additional application of asphalt on the existing sixteen miles of road oiled last year is also to be made.

FIFTY YEARS SERVICE ON THE RAILROAD

Alex Sentman, of Perryville, has been awarded a gold service medal for fifty years of service with the Pennsylvania Railroad. Mr. Sentman has been an engineer for many years on a fast run from Washington to New York City. His record shows no wrecks nor any injuries to trainmen. He entered the service when he was 17 years of age and daily pilots an electric engine on the Washington-New York run.

MARYLAND PRESS ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of Maryland Press Association will be held in Annapolis on Tuesday, Feb. 9. Governor Harry W. Nice will be guest of honor at the luncheon served at one o'clock, at Carvel Hall Hotel.

State Roads Property Disappears

Tools And Equipment Unaccounted For—Lost, Strayed Or Stolen

Estimating that between \$15,000 and \$20,000 worth of tools and equipment had been "lost, strayed or stolen" during the past year, Dr. Homer E. Tabler, chairman of the State Roads Commission, announced that after Feb. 1 all foremen would be held strictly accountable for such property assigned to their working crews.

At a meeting of the district engineers, Dr. Tabler discussed the losses, pointing out, for example, that requisitions for shovels had been received without any accounting for such tools previously on hand.

"Glass is another thing," Dr. Tabler said. "I believe we have requisitioned enough glass to replace the windshield on every motor vehicle in the State Roads service."

Under the new system, as explained by Dr. Tabler, all tools and other equipment will be issued to foremen, who will be held accountable, and before replacements can be made, evidence of their unavailability must be submitted.

"I believe through strict accountability in such matters the state can save considerable money. I would estimate that between \$15,000 and \$20,000 had been lost in this manner last year."

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD ELECTRIFICATION

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has decided that in order to increase the benefits of greater efficiency and economy from electric operation, the Company should proceed to electrify the railroad between Paoli and Harrisburg, Pa., the line between South Amboy and Monmouth Junction, N. J., the low grade line from Morrisville, Pa., near Trenton, N. J., via Columbia, Pa., to Enola Yard, near Harrisburg, Pa., the line between Columbia, Pa., and Perryville, Md., the Delaware Extension in South Philadelphia and certain branches.

Electric operation between New York, Philadelphia and Washington, including the principal suburban lines in that territory, is already in effect. The experience with such operation has been so satisfactory to the public and to the Company, that the Board is convinced it should be extended promptly over the lines above described, thereby completing the electrification program heretofore adopted for principal eastern lines adjacent to the Atlantic seaboard; releasing a large number of steam locomotives required for use on other parts of the System and obviating the necessity of purchasing steam locomotives.

TRAP SHOOTING LEAGUE ORGANIZES

The Pen-Del-Mar Trap Shooting League has reorganized and arranged its schedule of shoots. The League is composed of clubs representing Rising Sun, Md.; Oxford, Pa., and Wilmington, Del.

The schedule opened on Saturday, Jan. 30, on the grounds of the Wilmington Club, at New Castle, Del. Other shoots will be held as follows:

Saturday, February 13, 1937, Rising Sun Gun Club, Rising Sun, Md.

Saturday, February 27, 1937, Oxford Gun Club, Oxford, Pa.

Saturday, March 13, 1937, Wilmington Trapshooting Association, New Castle, Del.

Saturday, March 27, 1937, Rising Sun Gun Club, Rising Sun, Md.

Saturday, April 10, 1937, Oxford Gun Club, Oxford, Pa.

TRAFFIC THROUGH C. & D. CANAL

According to a report from the U. S. Engineer office in Philadelphia 732 vessels, carrying approximately 111,111 tons of cargo passed through the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal from last Nov. 21 to Dec. 20. Construction work on the canal is reported to be about 65 per cent complete. There are now six dredges working in the canal.

DEPOSITORS TO RECEIVE DISTRIBUTION

Checks will be mailed to 18,000 depositors of the defunct Lancaster Trust Company, between March 5 and 19, when \$800,000 will be available for distribution. It will bring the total amount of cash distributed to \$1,200,000.