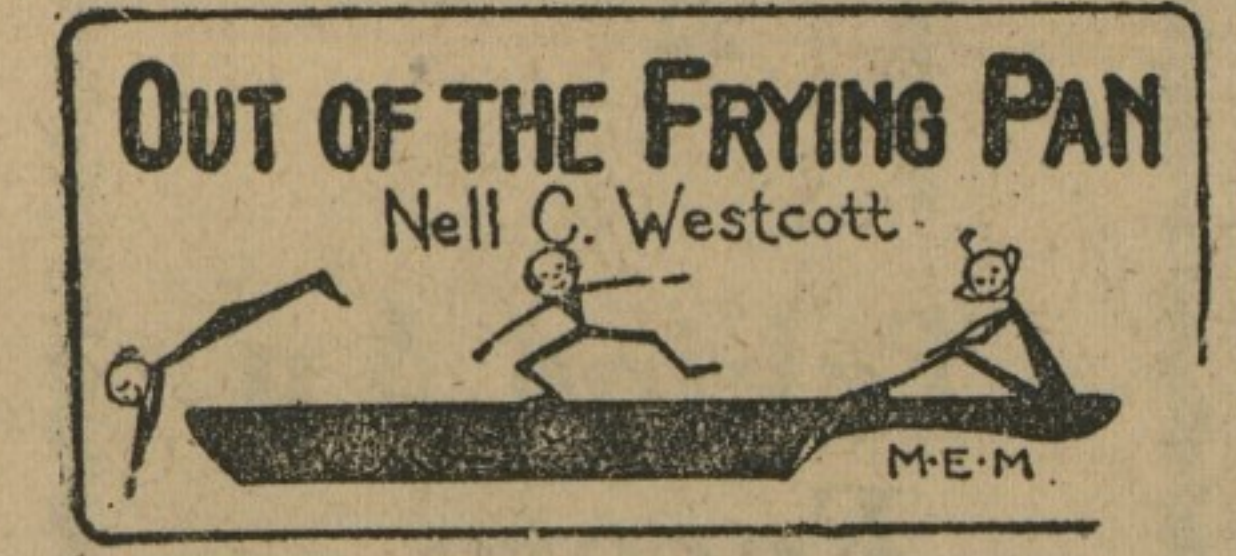


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This has to go to press before the meeting on Tuesday on "Better Roads in Kent" but after reading Mr. Mackall's article in the SUN on the lateral roads throughout the State:

John Mackall says in 80 years we'll have good roads in MD. But as I read that through my tears, I wondered where we'd all be! If you and I and everyone could have our way about it we'd hang around and see the fun There is no doubt about the it.

Still, 80 years is not so long compared to what's behind us. And any day we'll sing a song, When no more mud can bind us.

Perhaps when 80 years have paved All winding roads and lanes 'Twill be forgotten why we raved By farmers in their planes.

"Spatties" have arrived in Baltimore. Very recently a New York firm introduced them to America and were the only people to carry them. They are an English production. Knitted leggings for women, extremely noisy in color and weave but extremely warm. Knee length with turn down cuffs. Wonder who will be brave enough to be the first to wear 'em in Kent!

The pictures of the old Kent Churches in the Sunday SUN were very fine but the accompanying paragraphs were much more hysterical than historical. The difference of a mere score of years meant nothing so parishes organized in 1692 were pictured with churches built in 1694. Some people are poor at keeping dates!

The oyster may be dumb but a whole lot is being said in its behalf.

ETHEL'S BOB
Why does the mellow sunlight play And move the once-drap world to sway?
Ethel got her bob today!
Why do all the songsters sing Prematurely of the Spring?
Ethel got her bob, dear thing!
Ask it of the years anon:
Whence the raven tresses gone?
Ethel got her bob (I swan)!

Well, who knows? Some March or May,
Harking back, again we'll say:
"Ethel got her Bob today."
A. G.

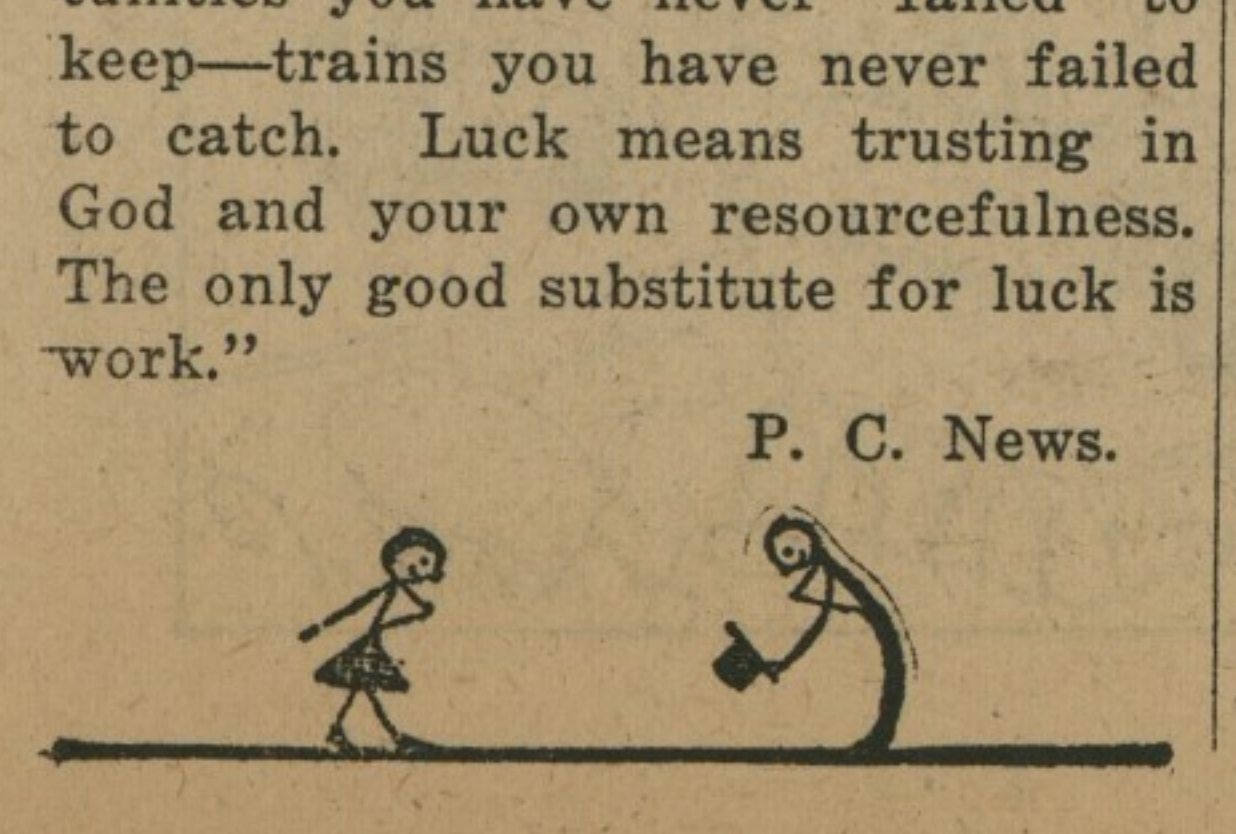
To prove the strength of their silk stockings, a manufacturer staged a spectacular event in New Haven, Conn., when one car towed another the two ropes being joined by a silk stocking.

Feb. 20-26 is to be designated as "Truth Week" in Baltimore. Is that a reflection on the fair city?

Saw a "Sandwich Man" on the street in Chestertown recently. Getting more like New York every day.

More "howlers":
A relative pronoun is a family pronoun, such as mother, brother, aunt.
Degrees of comparison of bad—very sick, dead.
Things which are halves of themselves are equal to each other.
Rhubarb is a celery gone blood-shot.
"The Complete Angler" is another name for Euclid, because he wrote all about angles.

The average person thinks of success as written "Success\$\$.
Emerson said "A rush of thoughts is the only conceivable prosperity that can come to us."
"Luck means rising at six o'clock in the morning, living on a dollar a day if you earn two, minding your own business and not meddling with other peoples. Luck means opportunities you have never failed to keep—trains you have never failed to catch. Luck means trusting in God and your own resourcefulness. The only good substitute for luck is work."
P. C. News.



BANK HEAD



W. B. COPPER
Mr. W. Bradford Copper was recently re-elected to the presidency of the Third National Bank, of Chestertown. Mr. Copper, one of the leading bankers on the peninsula, is a vice-president of the Del-Mar-Va Eastern Shore Association and a member of the board of directors of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce.

Old C. & D. Canal Is Closed For Improvements

REOPENING DUE ON FEBRUARY 15
The old Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, which thousands of men labored a century ago to build, passed into history last Monday at midnight.

At that hour the lock-barge waterway was closed to be replaced within a few weeks by a sea-level canal with a channel depth of twelve feet at mean low water and a width of ninety feet at the bottom. The project will represent a Federal outlay of approximately \$10,000,000.

At 10 A. M. Tuesday the water will be drained from the canal at a ceremony arranged by Col. Earl L. Brown, army engineer in charge of the project. Gov. Robert P. Robinson of Delaware attended. Governor Ritchie was invited, but it was said last night that he could not attend because of the pressure of business resulting from the session of the General Assembly.

Constructed between 1824 and 1829, the canal originally had three locks and was designed for the passage of barges. In 1919 it was purchased by the Government for \$2,520,000.

It is expected that the waterway will be reopened provisionally on February 15, when traffic will be admitted at sea level. On March 1 the canal will be declared open to all commercial traffic according to present plans.

PENTAGON WINS OVER ALBRIGHT IN FAST GAME

Washington Five Returns To Form As They Defeat Visitors From Pennsylvania

Dumschott Stars As Scoring Ace
Swinging back into real scoring form for the first time since the game with Arnold College prior to the Christmas recess, Washington College, last night, defeated Albright at basketball 39 to 33. Defensively the Washington five must progress still further before the pre-Christmas form is attained.

With Dumschott leading the way with eight double-doubles the "Flying Pentagon" emerged from the slump that saw Catholic University and Loyola hand it setbacks. The Washington five was not at its best against Maryland but managed to win. In fact, the team has not played its best ball since the holidays.

Albright presented the fastest passing team to visit Chestertown this season and with Sherid, the center, as the scoring ace, looked to be a well coached organization.

Washington started with a zip and led 21 to 13 at half time. Feeling that they were enjoying a safe lead the Washington tossers did not fight as hard in the second period and were outscored 20 to 18 by the visitors. The local collegians always had something in reserve, however, and as Albright would draw close, the Kibbies with a little extra spurt would once more take a position well out in front.

Carroll and Dumschott, the Damon and Pythias combination of basketball, worked together last night, as of old. Eight times the "Flying Dutchman" caused the cords to sing as he dropped one thru the basket. Captain Carroll was only a few tosses behind with five scores from the floor and two from the foul line. The Washington leader also played one of the greatest defensive games of his career.

Sherid, for the visitors, shooting a la Dudley, scored 14 of his team points and looked to be a fine center man.

Coach Kihler in an endeavor to bolster the weak spot on his five, used five men in the center position. Seib and Jacobs appeared in the best light. Seib is undoubtedly the best of the lot offensively but cannot stand the forty-minute pace. Defensively, Jacobs is the leader of the candidates but lacks the necessary dash in scoring ability.

Large Crowd Hears Mackall On Better Roads

Sees Proposed Bay Bridge As Boost For State TELLS OF GAS TAX

By Nell C. Westcott
The public meeting which was held at the court house on Tuesday Feb. 1st in Chestertown under the auspices of the Kent County Chamber of Commerce was so well attended that the seating capacity of the court room was filled and many persons stood throughout the evening.

Mr. R. Hynson Rogers introduced Ex Senator W. B. Copper who expressed the great regret that was felt by all the members of the Chamber of Commerce at the absence through illness of their president, Mr. Thos. W. Perkins. After a brief speech Mr. Copper introduced the chief speaker of the evening who is well known to Kent Counties, if not personally, at least through his recent articles in the Baltimore SUN and the discussion which has followed, as well as through his twenty years of service with the State Roads Commission of which he is Chairman, the Hon. John N. Mackall.

Previous to the public meeting, the Board of Directors of the Chamber had gathered at headquarters to receive Mr. Mackall and proceeded from there to the Voshell House where dinner was served in honor of their guest.

Mr. Mackall held the attention of his audience from the very beginning of his speech, his subject being one of keenest interest to Kent people, viz: "Better Roads in Kent County and the Bay Bridge." He started with a concise history of the State Roads movement in Maryland which began in 1908 under Gov. Crothers when the five million dollar appropriation was considered the height of folly. Gov. Crothers also recommended the licensing of automobiles as a source of revenue and it was estimated that a possible hundred thousand dollars a year might be brought into the State in that manner. Last year, less than eighteen years since that time, more than five million dollars was the sum received.

Since all roads benefit all people, the system followed by the State has been proven fundamentally correct, the roads being maintained by the vehicles which cause their destruction. Maryland has the best road system in the Union, a system which provides a State road reaching every county seat and town of one thousand inhabitants and she is the only State which has followed an uninterrupted road program throughout the eighteen years.

After the World War the State Continued On Page 5

Did He See His Shadow?
Today, Feb. 2nd—is the groundhog's day of days. On every other day of the year he is simply a woodchuck, or at best an aardvark, but today he is a weather prophet. Of course there are certain skeptics, cynics and doubters who do not put over much trust in the groundhog's ability as a weather prophet.

MEETING HELD FOR PROGRESS IN PAVING PLAN

Representative Citizens Called To Meet With Town Commissioners

Committee Of Nine Will Act With Commissioners
An informal meeting of taxpayers from different sections of the town last Monday evening a large majority was in favor of making the needed improvements in paving in Chestertown. The meeting which was called by the Town Commissioners, who felt that any action should come from the citizens, was held in the courthouse.

The Commissioners had no outlined plan, merely wanting the opinion of citizens representing the different sections of the town and the different business and professional lines.

After much discussion, in which progress was most stressed, a rising vote was taken and resulted in a favorable light toward the proposed improvements. It was decided that a committee of nine citizens should be appointed by and to act with the commissioners to formulate plans for action.

Mayor Charles N. Satterfield said yesterday that this committee had not been appointed but would be this week.

The general opinion of the citizens present at the meeting last Monday seemed to point to bonding the town as the proper method for raising the funds necessary to make the needed improvements. If such is done it is highly probable that the \$12,000 dollar debt incurred by the town when improvements were made on Maple Avenue will be included in the issue.

Mayor Satterfield yesterday expressed the belief that the total including this \$12,000, would not go over \$50,000.

Senator Beck Favors Fire Equipment Standardization

Senator S. Scott Beck, of Kent County, has signified his intention of supporting any measure to come before the present legislature in regard to the standardization of fire-fighting equipment. Mr. Beck in a letter to the Kent County Chamber says, "Yours of January 21 received in which you request me to support any measure which may be introduced at the present session to standardize all fire-fighting equipment used within the State.

"I will be very glad to do this, as I fully appreciate the unfortunate situations which may arise if such a measure is not passed."
Assembly Gets Vet Bonus Bill

The bill proposing a State bonus of \$10 a month to Maryland's World War veterans and a measure to curb "hit-and-run" auto drivers were high lights of a night session of the Legislature, yesterday.

Another measure, offered by Delegate Alfred E. Sharp, of Baltimore, would provide, upon petition, for a State-wide referendum on any law relating to manufacture, possession, transportation, sale or prohibition of intoxicating liquids.

The bonus bill was offered by Senator John L. Meyers of Baltimore. It provides for a referendum on creation of a \$9,000,000 debt and creation of a "Maryland military service recognition board." The bonus would be effective from time of enlistment to the armistice, with twenty-five per cent. additional for combat service overseas.

The proposed "hit-and-run" law calls for revocation of the licenses of such drivers for three years.

Cornerstone of Church Opened Last Week
Contents Found in Good Condition—Rapid Progress on Remodeling

For fifty-two years the cornerstone of the Chestertown Methodist Episcopal Church lay as set. Last Thursday, in the process of remodeling the building the cornerstone was opened and found to contain practically all of its contents in excellent condition.

BAY BRIDGE BILL PASSES UNITED STATES SENATE

Measure Authorizes Span Across Bay—Fight to Alter It Planned In House

TYDINGS GIVES ATTITUDE
Sees No Reason Why State Should Be Told How Much It Can Spend On Structure
Senator Bruce's Bridge bill, authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Chesapeake Bay to link the Eastern and Western Shores of Maryland, was passed by the Senate yesterday.

A fight will be made in the House however, to straddle out a portion of the measure, which is construed as an invasion of State rights in as much as it empowers the Federal Government to tell a State how much it can spend on the construction of an intra-State bridge.

Representative Millard E. Tydings Democrat, Maryland, introduced a similar bill in the House some time ago. When the Senate bill comes before that branch Mr. Tydings will move the substitution of the Bruce measure for his bill. He also will ask that the portion of the measure which would seem to give the Federal Government power to limit the cost of a bridge wholly within the confines of Maryland be stricken out. He has conferred with Representative Finis J. Garrett, Tennessee, minority leader who has promised to oppose passage by the House of the clause objected to.

"There is no reason why the Federal Government should tell a State how much it can spend in the construction of an intra-State bridge," Mr. Tydings said. "This would be entirely plausible in the case of an inter-State bridge, but if Maryland interests want to spend \$3,000,000 or \$6,000,000 or \$50,000,000 on the construction of a bridge that is wholly their affair.

"They say that the Government will not stop them, but will say: "Go ahead and spend as much more as you like, provided you spend at least so much." But that is not the way the bill reads. It is just another of those small encroachments of the Government in matters which are wholly within the jurisdiction of the States.

"It was included because of some rule of the Interstate Commerce Committee, but it is a model law for the construction of all intrastate bridges in the United States and we are going to try our best to change it."

Millington Firemen Elect 1927 Officers
C. M. Melvin, cashier of the Millington Bank of Maryland, was elected president and treasurer of the Community Fire Company, of Millington, at their annual meeting last week. Other officers chosen were: Vice-President—B. W. Duling. Secretary—H. H. Stauffer. Assistant Treasurer—Wesley Dulin. Chief—R. M. Logan. Assistant Chief—Paul Comegys. Engineman—J. B. Anderson. Assistant—Eugene Porter. Annual reports submitted by the officers disclosed the fact that the department had closed a most successful year. The Millington department is regarded as one of the finest equipped and most efficient volunteer organizations in rural Maryland.

Centreville Man Heads Del-Mar-Va Press Body
Association Names Rate Reciprocity Committee At Meeting In Wilmington
S. Charles Walls, of the Centreville Observer, was elected president of the Del-Mar-Va Press Association at its fourteenth annual meeting in Wilmington. Other officers elected were Harry C. McSherry, of the Dover Index, vice-president, and William F. Metten, of Wilmington Every Evening, secretary and treasurer. An executive committee was appointed consisting of S. E. Shannahan, of the Easton Star Democrat; Fred C. Usilton, of the Kent News, Chestertown, and George C. Carter, of the Wilmington Evening Journal. In an effort to bring about reciprocity in trucking rates between Maryland and Delaware, the following committee was appointed by the president: S. E. Shannahan, John C. Saylor and Edwin Brown. It is to promote a movement for the readjustment of rates on a more equitable basis. It is possible the committee will confer with the Legislatures of both States.