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FOUR ALARMS KEEP FIREMEN HERE ACTIVE

Called Last Night To Queens-town

SIX FIRES IN THREE DAYS

Hendrickson Home Is Blaze Victim

Shortly before eight o'clock last night, when called to assist in fighting a dangerous blaze at Queens-town the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company answered its fourth alarm of the day and the sixth within a period of three days.

The Queens-town conflagration, which was battled by fire companies from Centerville, Easton, Church Hill and Chestertown, destroyed a vacant three-story house owned by Michael Aker and damaged two adjoining structures. Origin of the blaze was undetermined.

The Chestertown company was called by Centerville when it appeared that the blaze would spread to the nearby ice plant, owned by John Bishop, and the adjoining home of John W. Nelson. It was feared that if the blaze reached these structures that the whole of the town would be swept by flames. The ice factory and the Nelson home were only slightly damaged.

The Chestertown fire fighters were kept on the jump throughout the day. The calls started early in the morning when a blaze which destroyed the home and store of Percy Hendrickson in Pomona was discovered about 6 a. m. The firemen, without a source of water supply, kept the flames from spreading to nearby out-buildings and other homes in the Kent village.

When the blaze was at its height and explosion of a fifty gallon tank of kerosene and two boxes of gun shells blew the doors and windows out of the back part of the building and showered the firemen with falling glass and small bits of wood. None of the fire fighters was injured. Shortly after returning from the Pomona fire the Chestertown company was called out to fight a blaze at the town "dump" when it threatened the home of James E. Cooper nearby. This blaze was easily handled by the firemen.

About three p. m., a chimney fire at the home of John Moffett, at Lynch's Station, caused the local fire to be called. The fire was extinguished without damage.

On last Saturday evening the home of Edward Patrick, on High street extended, was completely gutted by fire and only by hard work were the firemen able to keep it from spreading to adjoining houses and the oil tanks of a local oil company nearby.

About 7 a. m., on Monday the firemen were called to the home of Albert Raleigh on Cannon street when a laundry stove in the basement exploded. No damage resulted from fire but windows were broken and bricks in the building blown loose from the force of the explosion.

The firemen answered nine calls in March and started April with a record of four alarms. Thus far in 1930 the firemen have been called out about 25 times and if the proportion of other years is maintained throughout the remaining months all records for total calls in a single year will likely be broken.

Little Prospect For Wheat Price Increase

Demand And Production Are Keeping Pace

While world demand for wheat seems to be on the increase, due to increased population and a shift from other breadstuffs to wheat, the world increase in production, due to a great increase in wheat acreage in Canada and other countries in recent years, more than keeps pace with this increased demand. This situation would seem to indicate, therefore, that Maryland wheat farmers have little prospect for an increase in price for their product for years to come, according to the 1930 Agricultural Outlook for Maryland which has just been issued by the Extension Service of the University of Maryland.

It is pointed out in the Outlook Report that there is little at the present time in the wheat situation in this country to indicate that prices for the 1930 crop will be much different than prevailed for the crop of last year, unless fall-sown wheat suffers severe winter damage, or the intended spring area is much reduced.

Gov. Ritchie has proclaimed Friday, April 5th, Arbor and Bird Day.

Washington Captain



Tom Warthen is the captain of the Washington College lacrosse team. He is a senior at the local college and playing his second season on the varsity. He plays the center position. His home is in Belair, Md. Warthen has been on the injured list for the past several days but hopes to be fit for the contest here tomorrow.

Complete Pile Work On Bridge

Last Pile Placed On Monday

The last of the 256 piles which will form the foundation for the new Chester river bridge was placed by the Raymond Concrete Pile Company on Monday. The driving of the last pile marked the completion of the work of that firm here. At the start of the driving process it was estimated that the 256 piles would be in place by the last part of March and the completion of the work on Monday brought it to an end within the estimated time.

Automobile Does Houdini Trick

C. E. Noland's Car Lost And Found

An automobile, belonging to C. E. Noland, local merchant, was among the missing for several hours Monday and even now local police officers are on the search for the person or persons who led the car astray. Mr. Noland parked his car in front of his store shortly before 8 o'clock on Monday and last saw it about 11 a. m., in the same place. The next time he looked for it it was gone and when he saw it again it was parked in front of his store. In the meantime it had had a few experiences all its own.

Mr. Noland, upon missing his car, notified police authorities and a search was instituted at once. The word of the missing auto was spread around. Everyone was on the lookout for the straying machine.

In the afternoon R. Clarke Davis and Herman Blackway, manning the Kent county ambulance and rushing an emergency case to the Easton hospital, spied the missing car parked beside the road near Wye Mills. The nature of the illness of the patient in their care prevented them from stopping. On the return trip from Easton, however, upon seeing the car still parked they decided to bring it back to Chestertown. With Mr. Blackway at the wheel the erring gasoline buggy was returned to its native hearth.

A warrant was sworn for a suspect, who was employed on the road near Wye Mills. Local police went to make the arrest but the suspected one established an alibi. The authorities are still at work on the case.

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Old St. Paul's P. E. Church will be held at the Rectory, at Fairlee, Tuesday, April 8th at 10:30 A. M.

TWO NEW M. E. PASTORS NAMED TO KENT PULPITS

Local Minister Is Returned Here

81 CHANGES IN ALL Conference Sessions Closed Monday

Two new Methodist Episcopal ministers were assigned to Kent county churches at the close of the annual session of the Wilmington M. E. Conference in Silverbrook Church, Wilmington, at noon on Monday. The new Kent pastors are Roland H. Nelson who succeeds R. D. Taws at Millington and J. C. B. Hopkins, who is assigned to Still Pond and Betterton as the successor to E. C. Sunfield. Reverend Taws goes to Ridley and Reverend Sunfield retires.

The Reverend J. Harry Wright returned to the Chestertown M. E. Church, the Reverend R. E. Green was again named to the Fairlee post and the Reverend W. L. Hess was returned to the Galena charge.

The Reverend T. S. Barrett will again supply the Piney Neck charge and the Reverend W. S. Grant was returned to Rock Hall.

A total of eighty-one changes were made in the pastoral assignments in the Wilmington Conference. The appointments for the Middletown District were as follows: J. L. Johnson, superintendent. Barclay—L. P. Corkran. Bayside—L. T. McLain. *Bozman and Neavitt—Alonza Travers, supply.

*Bursville—W. I. Littleton. *Cecilton, Md.—R. T. Thawley. Centerville, Md.—G. W. Dawson. Chestertown, Md.—J. Harry Wright. Cheswold—J. C. Hanby, supply. Church Hill, Md.—Henry T. Caldwell. Clayton—C. W. Spry. Concord, Md.—S. L. Hanby, supply.

*Cordova, Md.—Homer H. Miller, supply. *Crumpton, Md.—A. W. Strickland. *Denton, Md.—E. C. Hallman. Easton, Md.—W. A. Hearn. Fairlee, Md.—R. E. Green. Galena, Md.—W. L. Hess. Greensboro, Md.—A. B. Frye. Hillsboro, Md.—Willard Everett. *Kent Island, Md.—Leon Jackson.

*Kenton—Conrad Hamar. *Marydel Larger Parish—J. R. Shultz and Harvey O. Hufnal. *Middletown—M. E. Wheatley. *Millington, Md.—Roland H. Nelson.

Odessa and Friendship—S. T. Hamblin. Oxford, Md.—E. B. Eckhardt. Piney Neck, Md.—T. S. Barrett, supply. Pomona, Md.—O. J. Friedel. *Preston, Md.—To be supplied. Queenstown, Md.—A. G. Thomas. *Ridgeley, Md.—R. L. Taws. Rock Hall, Md.—W. S. Grant. Royal Oak, Md.—W. F. Atkinson. St. Michaels, Md.—E. W. Hennis. Snyrna—E. P. Thomas. Still Pond and Betterton, Md.—J. C. B. Hopkins.

Sudlersville, Md.—C. W. Clark. Tighean, Md.—C. H. Atkins. Townsend—Robert S. Hodgson. Trappe, Md.—J. H. Geoghegan. Wye Mills, Md.—W. L. McClintock.

E. Clarke Fontaine Is Speaker To Rotarians

Name Delegates To District Conference

Professor E. Clarke Fontaine was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Chestertown Rotary Club on Monday evening. W. Robt. Huey, cashier of the Third National Bank, and vice-president of the local club, has been elected delegate and C. C. Jones, alternate, to the 34th district convention to be held in Hagerstown, April 27, 28 and 29.

Urge Local Airport As Seaboard Air Base

Chamber Of Commerce Busy On Project

The Kent County Chamber of Commerce today sent telegrams to the Goodyear Zeppelin Company, in Akron, Ohio, and to Dr. Hugo Eckner, in care of the German Embassy in Washington, urging them to consider the Chestertown airport as the Atlantic seaboard dirigible base.

Officials of the local chamber stressed the various points in favor of the local field which include its fine drainage, its nearness to the railroad and hard surfaced roadbed and the short trip to Baltimore and Washington by air.

The first Chesapeake Bay shad of the season were on sale in Chestertown fish markets Saturday. The offerings were small in size, however and sold for 75 cents a pair.

Giant Oxford-Cambridge Goalie In Action



G. M. R. Ricketts, the giant goalie for the Oxford-Cambridge lacrosse team who plays against Washington College here tomorrow, is a hard man to score upon. His great size, since he is six feet six inches tall, together with his speed and stickwork makes it hard to get the ballby. The above picture shows him stopping a close in, bullet-like shot from P. L. Vernon Astle, the high scoring Oxford Home. Astle stands just outside the crease after having made the shot, while Ricketts is shown with the ball in his crosse ready to clear it down the field.

Third Eastern Shore Institute Here On May 10th

One Day Meeting At Local College

The Third Eastern Shore Institute of Public Affairs will be held at Washington College on Saturday, May tenth. The session will open at ten thirty, the morning being devoted to a discussion of a domestic problem and the afternoon to an international problem.

This annual one-day institute is a joint enterprise of the Maryland League of Women Voters and the Young Voters League, of Washington College. The Directors of the Maryland League, Miss Lavinia Engle, the President of the College Young Voters League, Miss Clara Meridith, Dr. Esther Dole, Prof. of History, Miss Genevieve Boland, Dean of Women and Dr. William E. Howell, Prof. of Political Economy, all of Washington College, are the committee in charge of the program for this year.

The two previous sessions of the Institute have been attended by a representative group from the Eastern Shore. In 1929 every county on the Shore was represented and a number of delegates came from Harford County and from Baltimore City. This year a special invitation is being extended to the students at the University of Delaware and it is expected that a number of them will be present. Club women, men in public life, business men and a group of senior students from the High Schools of the Shore have made up the roll of those attending. The addresses are made by men and women of outstanding reputation and followed by a general discussion from the floor.

Regional Conferences for the discussion of public affairs have become an accepted factor in the intellectual life of the United States and in some instances have grown to international importance. The Eastern Shore Institute is as yet a small effort, but its policy has been well directed and the interest in its development has grown steadily. Who can tell but that the next few years will see it grow to an importance measured by a wider range than the counties of the Shore.

Those who desire a complete program of the sessions may secure it by writing to Washington College or to the office of the League of Women Voters.

Negro Health Week Opened Here By Successful Parade

Although the clinical work of National Negro Health Week was already under way Monday morning the parade at night was one of the high spots of the entire week.

Teachers and students worked out an elaborate program for the parade under the direction of Miss Marjory Forte, county nurse. At the invitation of the Kent County Public Health Association which fosters every movement for the betterment of health conditions in Kent, the Chestertown Firemen's Band led the sma health army in its line of march. Next in line was the Public Health Association of the local field which include its county nurse, and the officials of the Association; this car was preceded and followed by flag-bearers. Then came the other county nurse's car which was followed by the ambulance and the ambulance corps with one little colored child posing as a patient. Three well-planned floats depicted various phases of health work and cleanliness, many colored schools

Probable Lineup

Oxford-Cambridge	Washington
Ricketts	G. Stewart
Grauer	P. Phillips
Mears-Young	CP. Bringhurst
MacIntyre	FD. Hope
Cornswet	SD. Boston
R. Ainsworth	TD. Veach
Fielden	C. Warthen
Williams	TA. Burdette
Rains	SA. Sherkey
Fairinholt	FA. Stevens
J. Ainsworth	OH. Dean
Astle	IH. Kargin

Substitutes—Oxford-Cambridge: Cartwright, Grove, Giddens and McDonough. Washington: Williams, Tomlinson, Jones, Knolhoff, Stauffer, Dorsey, Moore, Harris, Trupp, McClain, Carney, Orme, Kansack, Carey, Layfield, Merrill, Hickman, Birch, Clay and Morris.

Referee—Mr. R. V. Truitt—Maryland.

Turkey Group In Interesting Meet Here Last Friday

H. L. Shrader Is Principal Speaker

With H. L. Shrader, the Extension Poultry Specialist of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, presenting the known facts relative to turkey feeding the regular meeting of the Maryland Turkey Growers Association was held here last Friday afternoon.

President Walter Kenly, of the Kent turkey group, presided at the meeting. The discussions by Mr. Shrader were centered around a series of questions submitted by the officers of the local turkey growers organization and therefore were of special appeal to all attending.

County Agent J. D. McVean and Professor W. H. Rice, Extension Poultry Specialist from the University of Maryland Extension Service, took part in the meeting. The next meeting of the turkey growers is set for Friday, April 18. The Extension Service has arranged to have Dr. H. M. DeVolt, Specialist in poultry diseases at the University of Maryland, to present known facts relative to turkey diseases, their prevention, treatment and control. Because of the nature of the meeting all of the members are urged to attend.

Committee On Bay Bridge In Meeting Today

Will Consider Report From Local Group

An organization meeting of the State Bay Bridge Commission, headed by B. Howell Griswold, Jr., Baltimore banker, will be held at 2 P. M., today in the offices of Governor Ritchie in the Union Trust Building. Among the data to be turned over to the commission, which will be divided into committees to study the proposed bay-span project from every angle, is a chart prepared by a committee appointed by the Kent County Chamber of Commerce to investigate the matter.

The proposed structure, the cost of which is estimated at the neighborhood of \$10,000,000, would span the Chesapeake Bay from a point in Kent county, near Tolchester, to Millers Island. The table prepared by the Kent county organization, which was the first group on the Eastern Shore to sponsor the building of the bridge, whether by the State or private capital, lists comparative distances over land and ferry routes and those over the proposed bay bridge.

It shows that the way to Baltimore would be shorter from almost any important town on the peninsula by way of the proposed bridge than by any existing route.

The table showing the number of miles to Baltimore by each route follows:

	E. K. I. C. B.
Elkton	53 107 122 70
Chestertown	92 68 102 32
Centerville	108 52 86 48
Easton	130 65 64 70
Denton	116 65 80 64
Cambridge	149 95 94 97
Salisbury	154 117 116 114
Snow Hill	172 135 134 132
Crisfield	212 175 174 172
Middletown, Del.	68 99 133 63
Dover, Del.	94 84 106 65
Rehoboth	136 115 128 117
Laurel, Del.	141 103 102 77
Ocean City	186 149 148 114

Appointment of the commission to study the project in the interest of the State was made by Governor Ritchie, who, when the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Company, formed to build the span, had difficulty in floating bonds because of market conditions, declared the bridge should be built.

Improvements Are Due For Local Phone Office

New Switchboard Will Increase Subscribers

An additional section of switchboard to be installed in the Chestertown telephone central office involving expenditures of \$2,125 has just been authorized by the board of directors of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City. The new switchboard will be equipped for 40 additional telephone subscribers' lines bringing the total switchboard equipment to 420 local lines, 40 rural and 50 out-of-town lines, Miss K. P. Smith, Com. Rep. of the company announces. There are now 733 telephones connected with the Chestertown office, 10 having been added to the system since January 1. A new wire chief's test desk which will facilitate testing telephone lines reported in trouble will also be installed in this office. This equipment will provide more adequate testing facilities for lines to Rock Hall, Galena, Millington, and Still Pond, in addition to the telephones operated from the Chestertown office. The installation of the new equipment will be started about October 1, and is expected to be ready for service within a few days.