



POLICE FOR ROADS

Move To Be Made To Check Spread Of Banditry

Governor Ritchie, after conferring with Police Commissioner Gaither, of Baltimore, and Motor Vehicle Commissioner Baughman, has arranged to practically double the motor vehicle police force...

Will Use Speedy Cycles

The immediate plan of the Governor and Colonel Baughman is to add 15 or 20 road police and equip each with a speedy motor-cycle.

Steps have already been taken by Colonel Baughman, it is stated, to extend the usefulness of the proposed corps of road police through the installation of a telephone call system...

Could Spread Warning

By the use of this system it would be possible to scatter a warning and spread a danger-net all over the State in a very few moments.

ANNUAL ALMHOUSE TREAT

Inmates of the Almshouse at Cherry Hill were given their annual Christmas treat Wednesday by the Trustees—Messrs, George E. M. Hess, Joseph T. Tyson and Thomas M. Tyson.

Mrs. M. I. Thompson, Mrs. Harvey Mackie, Mr. Harvey Mackie, George McCormick, Cherry Hill School, Mr. Geo. L. Hess, Mr. Edward Taylor, Mr. Jos. Tyson, Mr. Lyman Spence, Mr. Frank P. Phee, Miss L. A. McNamie, Dr. V. H. McKnight, Mr. Henry Henderson, Koss and Miller Lumber Co., Mr. Andrew Reynolds, Mr. T. C. McCracken, Mr. George C. Weaver, Mr. C. W. Hawey, Mr. Harry Perkins, Mr. C. C. Hayward, Mr. W. K. Blake, Mr. T. M. Tyson, Mr. A. T. Miller, Mr. Harry Jewell.

ORPHANS' COURT

The Orphans' Court of Cecil county met on Tuesday and approved the bonds of John E. Gulberson, administrator of William T. Gulberson, John L. Shelton and Robert D. Shelton, administrators d. b. n. e. t. n. of John P. Shelton; Catherine E. Gillespie and Mar D. Crothers, executors of Ulysses G. Gillespie; Richard B. Merritt, executor of Andre Bruner. The final account of Richard J. Warner, administrator of Anna J. deCesey Warner, was examined and passed. Court adjourned to meet on Tuesday, December 29.

BURGLARS ROB STORE

Burglars on Wednesday night of last week entered Levy's Department Store, Havre de Grace, through a rear window, and carried off a gold watch, a green sweater, brown velour hat, four silk shirts, a pair of kid gloves, neckties, a belt, two pairs silk hose, three pairs tan shoes and two suits of clothes.

SHORE FARM VALUES

Six Counties Show Average Gain Of 50 Per Cent. In Census

Figures given out on Monday by the Census Bureau show a marked increase in the value of farm property in Eastern Shore counties in the last ten years. The figures cover Cecil, Caroline, Kent and Queen Anne's, Somerset and Wicomico counties.

The increases in detail follow: Cecil—Value of land and buildings on April 15, 1910, \$9,379,049; value on January 1, 1920, \$14,288,086; increase, 52.3 per cent.

Caroline—Value on April 15, 1910, \$7,531,394; on January 1, 1920, \$12,242,565; increase 62.6 per cent.

Kent—Value April 15, 1910, \$8,385,204; value January 1, 1920, \$13,458,975; increase, 60.5 per cent.

Queen Anne's—Value April 15, 1910, \$9,643,599; value January 1, 1920, \$14,541,359; increase, 50.8 per cent.

Somerset—Value, April 15, 1910, \$5,643,599; value January 1, 1920, \$8,645,167; increase, 52.1 per cent.

Wicomico—Value, April 15, 1910, \$5,087,794; value January 1, 1920, \$10,010,163; increase, 47.2 per cent.

In Harford county values increased from \$11,183,581 on April 15, 1910, to \$21,883,717 on January 1, 1920, the increase being 95.7 per cent., one of the highest percentages shown in any of the county figures for Maryland thus far released.

DEATHS OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Harry B. Fillingame

Mrs. Linda M. Fillingame, wife of Harry B. Fillingame, died shortly before midnight Tuesday at Union Hospital, after two weeks' illness, which developed peritonitis, aged 42 years. She was a daughter of the late John and Mary Smith Krastel, of Chesapeake City.

Edith Leah Kane

The funeral of Edith Leah Kane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Kane, of Summit Bridge, was held last Friday from their home, with interment in Bethel Cemetery. She died on the previous Wednesday after a lingering illness, aged 19 years.

William C. Pennington

William C. Pennington, former street superintendent in Havre de Grace, who had been ill with meningitis of the arteries for several months, was found drowned in the Susquehanna river at the foot of St. Clair street, by his nephew Robert Pennington, one day last week. It is thought he fell into the river and could not help himself. He was 61 years old. His wife, two brothers and two sisters survive him.

His funeral was held on Saturday with interment in Angel Hill Cemetery.

Richard S. Wallis

The funeral of Richard S. Wallis, Cashier of the National Bank of Chesapeake City, whose death was briefly noted last week, was held from his home on Sunday afternoon, with interment in Bethel Cemetery. Mr. Wallis, who was 55 years of age, died of a complication of diseases for which he had received hospital treatment several times. He was born in Kent county and taught school in early life and later took up banking in which he became skilled. For twelve years past he served with ability as cashier of the bank in Chesapeake City, where he was highly esteemed as a citizen and official. His wife, who was Miss Elsie Kars-

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STATE FEDERAL PLUMS

Republicans Speculating As To Favorites

The Sunday American, noting the banquet tendered Hon. Stevenson A. Williams, at Belair, on Saturday night by Republicans of Harford county, which Senator France, Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, Congressman-elect Blakeney and other out-of-the-county guests attended, says some see in the affair a movement to bring Mr. Williams into the political limelight, which of late years, of his own choice, he has avoided.

It is reasonably certain that Galen I. Tait, chairman of the Republican State Committee, will succeed Joshua W. Miles as collector of internal revenue. This position is as important now as that of collector of customs by reason of the multitudinous taxing regulations to be enforced by the head of the department.

Charles H. Holtzman, of Cumberland, is understood to be favorably considered for one of the big places. There is talk of his being linked up with the surveyorship, but this assignment is tentative.

Col. Amos W. W. Woodcock, now one of the assistant attorneys general, is said to prefer the position of naval officer to that he is now occupying. Colonel Woodcock is very close to former Senator Jackson and also to Senator France and Senator-elect Weller.

Whether Col. Sherlock Swann will continue or be dispossessed the President must decide. President Wilson placed him in the classified service, but, being a presidential appointee, he may be taken out by the next chief executive.

As the subtreasury will be abolished in the near future, Robert G. Hilton will have no successor.

The other places to be filled are those of district attorney, United States marshal and appraiser. There will be plenty of applicants for the last two places when nominations are called for.

'BEATEN AND ROBBED AT ROME

Charles Rumbin, 55 years old, a Swede, employed as track walker on the B & O. Railroad, who lived alone along the Childs branch railroad, was called out of his home shortly after 7 p. m. yesterday by two colored bandits supposed to be Zeb and Job Brown, of Philadelphia, formerly of the neighborhood, who were seen thereabouts in the afternoon. They knocked him senseless with an iron bar and took \$100 in a small bag from around his neck, threw him into the house, locked the door and disappeared.

Antonio Ferruccio went to the house when he failed to appear for work in the morning, and reported the matter to Sheriff Seth, who had him removed to Union Hospital, where his condition is reported serious. The Sheriff notified the Philadelphia police to locate the suspects, if possible.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Frank Edgar Bennett, of Cecilton, and Hilda Wilbank, of Galena.

Charles Jefferson Hufelt and Hester Anna Heylow, both of Earleville.

William N. Howard, of Oil City, Pa., and Mrs. Annie L. Simpers, of Bay View.

Tony Haggerty and Dorothy Reed, both of Earleville.

Clement K. Starr and Ruth Anna Taylor, both of Lombard.

THIEF RETURNS PLUNDER

George Vaggi, one of the proprietors of the Howard House poolroom and the shop under the porch, was surprised and gratified Monday when he received through the mail a note with \$30, the amount stolen from the premises about two weeks previous, and \$5 to cover repairs to the door broken when the robber entered the shop. He wrote: "Could not say by Christmas with the crime of a thief hanging over my head."

WIDE MOUTH FOR CANAL

Likely To Be Located Just Below Delaware City

The present mouth of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, according to the engineers, will not permit of the proposed enlargement to be eventually made to the canal, although it is planned to widen and deepen the mouth of the existing locks, so that vessels with a draught of 12 feet will be able to pass in and out of the present locks at mean low water.

Preliminary steps have been taken for starting work on the canal and all that is needed now is spring weather and a large appropriation from Congress, when the dirt will start to fly. Nearly \$500,000 still remains from the original appropriation of \$3,000,000, of which about \$2,000,000 was used for the purchase of the waterway.

The plan to use a new mouth to the waterway will mean a slight reduction in the distance through the canal. The entrance will be very wide, probably 1,000 feet, so that that part of the canal can be used as a harbor, in case of storm. The wide intake will extend inland for nearly a mile, so that there will be plenty of room.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORK

The regular monthly meeting of the Calvert Woman's Club was held Wednesday afternoon, December 15, at the Agricultural High School, Calvert. Only a small group of club women were present to meet Miss Dorothy Ross, the new Home Demonstration Agent for Cecil county.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S CLUB OF APPLETON

The regular meeting of the Women's Club of Appleton was held at the home of Mrs. John Hobson Wednesday evening, December 15. There were about forty women present, including guests of the Club women, Miss Hahn, the County Nurse, gave a most interesting talk telling of her plan of work for Cecil county.

The quarterly meeting of the Cecil County Community Council was held at the Calvert Agricultural High School Tuesday evening, December 14. Nearly every section of the county was represented with an attendance of about 75.

The subject of co-operative marketing was introduced. A committee of five was appointed to take up the question of commodity organizations to report at the next meeting.

The plan of sending wool to a southern mill to be converted into blankets before the sheep growers of the county. The March meeting will be held at West Nottingham Academy.

AN ORGANIZATION OF POLAND CHINA HOG GROWERS OF CECIL COUNTY

An organization of Poland China Hog Growers of Cecil county, affiliating with the National Hog Growers' Association, has been formed with the following officers: Clayton McDowell, president; Harvey Townsend, vice-president; Lloyd Balderston, 3d, secretary; Norris J. Reynolds, treasurer. A committee was appointed to draw up laws. Sixteen men joined the association. The second meeting will be held at the Calvert Agricultural High school, January 11, at 2 o'clock p. m.

IMPORTANT MEETING

Monday evening, December 29, the regular meeting of the Appleton Grange will be held in the hall. As it is the last meeting of the year, the election for the ensuing year will take place. Refreshments consisting of sandwiches, cake, coffee and ice cream, will be served.

RACE TRACKS' PROFITS

Fall Meets Net \$1,000,000—Bets Total \$38,000,000

The racing association netted upwards of \$1,000,000 from the fall meetings on the four one-mile tracks in Maryland this year. There were 89 racing days, and the profits represent what was left for the association, after paying expenses and the State tax of \$6,000 a day on each track. The statement of its auditor made on Monday to the State Racing Commissioner shows amounts made by the four tracks as follows: Pimlico (Baltimore), \$2,17,920; Laurel, \$12,807; Havre de Grace, \$184,118; Bowie, \$215,509. The Commissioner expects to collect from the tracks, besides the \$6,000 a day tax, already paid, about \$200,000 as the tax on profits required by law.

The Commission ordered that the salary of the Bowie manager, John F. O'Hara, be cut from \$20,000 to \$10,000, and G. D. Bryan's, the assistant manager, from \$15,000 to \$5,000, and directors' pay from \$8,000 to \$3,000, the rate paid at Pimlico. The Breeding Bureau's plan for turning over to the State College of Agriculture the \$100,000 breeding fund was returned without approval.

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SOLDIERS MEMORIAL

IT'S A CALL TO THE WHOLE COUNTY

The proposed County Memorial for the boys of Cecil who served in the World War is not meeting with as prompt responses from the people outside of Elkton as the project merits. Of the \$4,000 subscribed thus far of the \$7,500 asked, but a very small percentage has come from non-residents of the county seat. While the people of Elkton for obvious reasons should take a liberal lead in the subscriptions, every locality in the county should be as conspicuously represented in the setting-up of this Memorial as it was in the service rendered by its immediate sons.

Elkton has met its obligation in this matter, and is continuing the liberality of its subscriptions. And now this worthy object has reached the stage where the people of the rest of the county should manifest an interest in the matter, with the promptness and liberality that has characterized the residents of the county seat.

There is no lack of fitness in placing the Memorial in Elkton. The town is centrally located, is the one place in the county to which all most traveled roads lead, is the county seat and largest town, and it had a trained body of soldiers ready to press at once into the service of the country when came the call to arms, and was the center of inspiration and activities from which radiated all the war welfare work of the county.

The Memorial will give recognition to all of the boys of the county who served, and special recognition will be given to those who made the supreme sacrifice, and this will be done regardless of the localities where they left behind their loved ones never to see them more.

The above is in the right spirit, and we thank the Star.

Announcement of further subscriptions will be made after "the holidays."

In the meantime, we appeal to those who have not subscribed to send us their subscriptions. You do not want to be left out of the Honor Roll—do you? By order of Committee: ROBERT C. THACKERY, Chairman; R. J. McCAULEY, Treasurer; C. ELLIS DEIBERT, Secretary.

STOLE TO SAVE STOCKS

Prominent Financial Officials Admit Embezzlement

Wilmington has been stirred since Friday by successive disclosures of embezzlement by trusted financial officials. On Friday morning William Bush, arrested on the previous night, after confessing that he had embezzled \$299,000 from the Wilmington Savings Fund Society, was taken to the Workhouse, in default of \$100,000 bail. He took three United States certificates for \$50,000 each, and \$70,000 in Mobile & Ohio Railroad bonds to protect stock he was carrying on a margin. His bond as surety and treasurer, will cover the amount taken. He is said to have accounted for his fall on the ground of "dual personality," the dishonest one getting the better of the honest one temporarily.

At 12:30 a. m. on Saturday Bush's cousin, Charles F. Eastman, assistant treasurer of the Hercules Powder Company, was arrested at his home in Brack Ex, a suburb of the city, charged with taking four \$10,000 stock certificates from the company. He is said to have admitted to Andrew C. Gray, attorney and trustee of the merged First and Central Presbyterian Churches, taking \$21,000 in Liberty bonds, owned by the church, of which he has been treasurer since October. He was locked up in the city police station and on Monday was given a hearing and committed to the Workhouse in default of \$50,000 bail. He admitted taking the bonds to cover stock market ventures.

On Monday the duPont Powder Company announced that Harry T. Baird and J. W. Robert, manager and assistant manager of its South American branch in Valparaiso, Chile, had been arrested some time ago for embezzling its funds to speculate on the Chilean Exchange rate. Auditors sent from Wilmington will report upon the matter shortly, third bills from Harrington, Del., and left Wilmington about twelve years ago. Robert left for Chile several years ago. The four accused were bonded by the National Security Company. Bush and Eastman plead guilty to embezzlement in the Court of General Sessions on Tuesday and each was sentenced to eight years in the Workhouse. Their terms, if served fully, will expire December 25, 1928.

JACKSON IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY

A goodly number attended the regular meeting of the Jackson School Improvement Society, which was held in the school building, Tuesday evening, December 21, 1920.

The building and school ground improvement committee gave their report and will hold over until next time to finish their business. A short program was given, consisting of recitations and songs by the students and adult members of the club.

Miss Dorothy Ross, Home Demonstration Agent, gave a short talk on school club work, after which an open discussion was held relative to the work.

On January 5 a Girls' Club is to be organized and hot lunch plan put into effect. For the first week or so the club is to finance the hot lunch which will amount to from two to three cents per student. It is hoped that the parents who were not present at the meeting will realize the need and the good it will be to the children to have a hot dish during the cold weather. Not more than one hot dish prepared by the members of the girls' club under supervision of Miss Robinson will be served at a meal. Cocoa, hot soup, or rice, or some other simple dish will be served at these lunches.

The next meeting of the association will be held Wednesday evening, January 12, at p. m. Every one is urged to be present, particularly the parents of the children.

The Jackson school is to be congratulated on the splendid condition of the school building. It is by far one of the best in the county. Other schools may well watch and copy them.

FARM FIRE NEAR ZION

The large double-deck barn on Ross England's farm, near Zion, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin on Saturday night. The live stock and farm machinery were saved, but much grain was consumed. The loss is reported quite large, with partial insurance.