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THIS WEEK		26 YEAR RECORD			
Date	Max.	Min.	Max. (yr.)	Min. (yr.)	
May 5	73	53	90 (1955)	39 (1957)	
May 6	75	51	88 (1949)	42 (1945)	
May 7	63	49	91 (1959)	43 (1955)	
May 8	59	49	88 (1964)	37 (1947)	
May 9	74	52	94 (1963)	33 (1947)	
May 10	92*	50	81 (1963)	32 (1947)	
May 11	87	67	90 (1953)	37 (1947)	
* record		Total Precipitation 0.40 inches			

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CHESTERTOWN, MD., WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1965

## Stepdaughter Of Local Man Is Murder Victim

The stepdaughter of Richard W. Murphy, Kent County businessman, Mrs. Minnie May Clendaniel, 24, and a male companion, Rubin Ireland, 21, were slain by a shotgun early Tuesday in a trailer, 1/2 miles south of Smyrna.

Delaware police charged John Smith Clendaniel, 28, estranged husband of the dead woman with second degree murder and he is being held in lieu of a \$40,000 bond.

Police testified at the hearing that Clendaniel has been separated from his wife since "around the first of year." Ireland lived in a house near the trailer on the farm.

Police testimony at the hearing gave this account of events leading to the slaying:

Clendaniel went to the trailer Sunday night and saw his wife and Ireland kissing on the sofa. He returned Monday night, heard noises of the two on a living room couch in the house and fired both barrels of a 16-gauge shotgun through a side window.

He reloaded the gun, broke a door window and fired both barrels at his wife as she ran from the trailer's living room. Ireland was dead on the floor.

Clendaniel then took three of his children—John, Jr., 5, Marion, 4, and Robert, 3—who were in the back part of the trailer at the time of the shooting—to a neighbor's house in Willow Grove, police said.

Clendaniel, police said called them about 11:15 Monday night and reported the slayings.

Police found the bodies and put out an alarm for Clendaniel.

Officers said Clendaniel called them early yesterday, telling them he was at his neighbor's home. He was arrested there and a shotgun was found in his car, police said.

The three children were placed in the custody of J. Edward Morris, Kent County Family Court probation officer. Clendaniel's other two children, Ann, 7, and Laure, 2, live with Mrs. Clendaniel's stepfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Murphy, near Chestertown.

Funeral services for Mrs. Clendaniel will be at 2 P.M. Friday afternoon at the Faries Funeral Chapel, Dover.

She is survived by her five children; her stepfather and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy; her father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Pleasanton, of Dover; a maternal grandfather, Isaac Masten, of Smyrna; a paternal grandmother, Mrs. Mary Pleasanton, of Clayton, and three sisters, Mrs. Betty Miller, of Leipsic, Miss Nancy Lee Pleasanton, of Chestertown, and Mrs. Charles Summers, of Chestertown.

**Hearing Is Set On Agway Application**

The Kent County Board of Zoning Appeals has set Friday, May 21 as the date for a hearing on the application of Agway, Inc., of Syracuse, N. Y., for a conditional use to enable the erection of a 12,000-gallon aluminum tank for storage of aqua-ammonia on leased railroad property at Still Pond Station.

The area is currently zoned agricultural.

The hearing will be at 8 p.m. in the Court House, Chestertown.

## Bay City Elks Lodge Honors 4 From County

Four Kent Countians were honored and presented with Elks Achievement Awards last Sunday by Bay City Lodge 1490 and Star Temple 1141 IBPOEW.

Cited were: Mrs. Lucille Warren, of Quaker Neck, for outstanding work in civic and PTA projects;

Mrs. Lousia D'A Carpenter, of Springfield Farm, for philanthropic work in connection with the Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital and the Washington Park housing development;

The Reverend Frederick G. Jones, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church, for outstanding work in the interest of civil rights; and

Henry Demain, general manager of the Chestertown plant, Vita Food Products, for outstanding efforts toward fair employment practices and better housing.

Mr. Demain also was presented a Fezz, making him an honorary member of the Bay City Lodge, by Franklin Murray, the secretary.

The principal speaker was C. David Haacke, Chestertown mayor. Presiding was James A. Hill, exalted ruler of the lodge and third vice president of the Tri-State Elks Association.

Guests at the head table included: William Wessell, Elmer E. Horsey, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer T. Hawkins, Mrs. Haacke, Rev. and Mrs. Charles E. Hackshaw and Mrs. F. G. Jones.

Mr. Demain, in accepting his award and honorary membership, said:

"All of us today face a basic challenge—a challenge for the right of every human being, no matter what the circumstances, to be free to share equal opportunity.

"The purpose of the challenge is to make us sensitive to people who today are enslaved and denied freedom and equal opportunity. We must seek freedom and independence for our brothers.

"Independence is the relief from domination and freedom is the assumption of responsibility. We all must strive together, constructively, in the various under-developed phases of community responsibility.

"Some 3,000 years ago, the Jews were slaves in Egypt and fought for their freedom. During World War II, six million Jews were exterminated by a mad man. Human freedom, which should be the concern of all of us, is the number one problem of this century.

"To all of us it means facing the struggle against social and economic discrimination, even outright persecution because of difference in color or religion. We must accept this challenge and refuse to remain in bondage. We must be willing to

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HENRY DEMAIN

## Garden Club Project In Final Stage

The Chestertown Garden Club is in the third and final phase of its project to beautify the town parks, referred to by some as the "Town Commons."

Emphasis this year is being placed on the small square, called "Monument Park" by the Garden Club.

The local club won third place in Maryland in 1963 and second in 1964 for this project competing for awards made through the Federated Garden Clubs of Maryland, Inc. by Sears, Roebuck and Company.

Mrs. Arthur M. Lusby, president of the Chestertown club, said:

"The parks provided a gracious, uncluttered area for the enjoyment of citizens and visitors.

"The old fountain, restored in 1963 by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, is a great addition to the park area and the envy of many people from other towns.

"We are fortunate to have this fine 'Commons' for all to enjoy. For the tourist it is a spot of beauty, surrounded by old buildings, as well as beautiful new ones.

"The Chestertown Garden Club has raised a substantial amount to help pay for the improvements through its annual 'May Mart.'

**Conference Due On Recreation, Parks**

The 1965 Governor's Conference on Recreation and Parks will be held at the Commander Hotel, Ocean City, May 16-17-18-19.

The theme will be "Free Time—Challenger or Threat."

**Day Center For Adults To Open June 1**

The opening of the Kent County Day Center for Adults has been rescheduled for Tuesday June 1 at the home of the Frank M. Jarman American Legion Post in Morgantown.

Open House will be held on June 1-2-3-4 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Center is a social and recreational project and will be open five days, Monday through Friday, each week. Adults of all ages who are in good health and desire to participate in group activities and enjoy companionship of other persons are invited.

There is no charge for participation and the things provided by the Center. Transportation is available where necessary. For further information interested persons are requested to phone Mrs. Pauline C. Coleman (778-2535) or Mrs. John R. Phillips (778-2632).

## Name County Study Group On Poverty

The application of the federal Economics Opportunity Act to Kent County will be the subject for study by an 11-member group named this week by the County Commissioners.

James A. Weamert, county extension agent, is the temporary chairman of the body. Other members are: Dr. A. F. Whitt, Robert J. Eckert, Mrs. Mary H. Davis, J. Weldon Walbert, Charles B. Wheatley, W. R. Newnam, Sr., W. H. Cooper, Robert Collyer, Beatrice Mason and Elmer Campher.

One of the phases to be studied will be the extent of impoverished conditions in Kent and how the provisions of the act could be utilized here.

**PTA Council Open Meeting On May 20th**

The Kent County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations will hold an Open Meeting on Thursday, May 20, 1965, at 8 p.m., in the multipurpose room of the Chestertown Elementary School.

Dr. Harold D. Reese, assistant director of Certification and Accreditation of the State Department of Education, will speak of recent legislative developments which will make possible a Community College and Vocational-Technical School in this area.

"It is felt that all patrons of the school system with children in need of higher public education will find Dr. Reese's remarks informative and interesting," a spokesman for the PTA Council said. "Educational facilities of this type can only be brought into being when local citizens express a need and interest in such a service."

Dr. Reese has said that Federal and State Funds are soon to be available. Interested citizens of Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, and Talbot have been invited to discuss the needs for vocational-technical education on the high and post-high school level, and for a two-year community college.

Kent County legislators, County Commissioners, and members of the Board of Education have been invited to attend this meeting. Dr. Reese will report on the experiences of counties like Kent, in population and economy, in establishing community colleges.

**Tour, Dinner At Nike Site For Cancer Crusade**

A tour of the Nike Site—the launching area, fire control, radar, and other facilities of the Site—will be held on Sunday, May 16, at 1:30 p.m.

Dinner is included in the admission charge of \$1.50 for adults and 75 cents for children. All proceeds will be donated to the Kent County Cancer Crusade.

Tickets will be on sale at the C & P Telephone Company business office, at People's Life Insurance Company, or at the door.

Ray C. Cole, of the Rotary Club, is assisting with ticket sales.

**Cars Collide Near Tolchester**

Three hundred dollars damage was done to two autos on Sunday when one failed to stop at a stop-sign at the intersection of Routes 445 and 21, near Tolchester.

Alice Marie McFadden, 20, has been charged with failing to stop at a stop-sign by Trooper Wilson E. Todd. The 1962 Chevrolet she was operating struck the 1959 Ford operated by James Ronald Joiner, while it was traveling east on Route 21. The occupants of the McFadden auto were slightly injured.

## Karen Heston Wins As Miss Kent County



KAREN HESTON, chosen Miss Kent County last night, is shown being crowned by Mrs. Harrison M. Cooper, an entry in a similar contest in 1950. At right is Mrs. Charles Joiner, also a participant 15 years ago.

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An 18-year-old Galena High senior, Karen Marshall Heston, last night was crowned Miss Kent County for 1965 in a preliminary to the Miss America Pageant.

The brown-eyed, auburn-haired winner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Heston, 2nd, of Galena. Her talent presentation in the Kent Pageant was singing. Her ambition is to become a fashion model.

Runner-up honors went to another Galena High senior, Susan Daryl Hollins, also 18, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morton Hollins, of Millington.

Miss Kent was crowned by Mrs. Harrison M. Cooper, who as Miss Margaret Pinder was a participant in the 1950 contest. Sponsored by the Kent County Chamber of Commerce, the contest drew only a small crowd at the Frank M. Jarman Post, American Legion, Home.

Robert E. Taylor was the pageant chairman and served as master of ceremonies. Carlton White was co-chairman and Louis Gretzinger the treasurer. James Zinnel is president of the Jaycees.

Judges were C. David Haacke, Mrs. Marvin Jacobs, Lawson Cording, Mrs. Howard Larimore and George Hessler. Elmer E. Horsey was auditor of the ballots.

Other contestants included: Deirdre Lorne Brewer, a Washington College student from Bayton, N. Y.; Helen Joseph Edwards, Chestertown; Linda Gail Hundevadt, a Washington College student from Washington, D. C., and Harriett Rebecca Lusby, of Kennedyville.

Statistically, Miss Kent weighs 120 and is five feet seven inches tall. Her bust and hips are 35 and her waist 23. In addition to an engraved trophy, a \$250 scholarship or savings bond, a wardrobe valued at \$350 and all expense paid trips to Catonsville for a July 4 parade and the Miss Maryland Pageant on July 16-17.

Miss Hollins, the runner-up, received an engraved trophy and a \$100 scholarship or bond.

The contestants appeared in evening gowns and swim suits with Miss Brewer, Miss Edwards and Miss Heston presenting songs in the talent competition and Miss Hollins, Miss Hundevadt and Miss Lusby performing at the piano.

## Corr Statement on Desegregation

Reade W. Corr, Kent superintendent of schools, this morning issued the following statement on desegregation of county schools:

"It has come to the attention of county school officials and board of education members that a variety of rumors are circulating regarding local desegregation plans for the 1965-66 school year.

"These plans are under review and most likely will be revised. When the revisions are final and approved by the required officials, the public will be promptly and completely informed.

"In the meantime, all citizens are requested to disregard rumors."

## Selected Service Businesses Gross \$2.1 Million Here

Selected service trade establishments in Kent County grossed \$2.1 million in 1963, according to the Census of Business, just released by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce.

This represented an increase of 60 percent from 1958, when the last previous census was made.

The service trades in the Census of Business included those providing personal services to individuals, miscellaneous business services, auto repair and other auto services, other repair services, motion picture production and distribution, motion picture theatres, other amusement and recreation services, hotels and motels.

These establishments in Kent employed 212 persons, exclusive of proprietors and had payrolls totaling \$560,000. Maryland had a total of 13,840 such establishments with receipts of \$706 million.



BARBARA RAYMOND

Named to the post of athletic director for women at Washington College this week was Barbara Raymond, of Rowayton, Conn. She will replace Doris T. Bell, who has been made supervisor of all women's dormitories.

Miss Raymond is a graduate of Catawba College and expects to get a master's degree in educational science from the University of Bridgeport this June.

## Career Conference For Kent Students Held Here Yesterday

Kent County's high school students heard from representatives of more than 40 fields yesterday as Career Conferences were held at Chestertown High and Garnett School.

Presiding over the event at Chestertown High was A. Richard Heberly, guidance counselor at Galena High. Thomas Elder, of Chestertown High handled the program for junior high students at Garnett.

Each senior student in the county system had three career sessions, meeting face to face with a working person in each of the three choices made previously.

Speaking to the students on the following fields were: Airlines, William J. Harbaugh; Nursing, Pauline J. Coleman and Marjorie Hawkins; Fashion Modeling, A. J. Howard; Psychology, Dr. Howard Grumpelt; Fine Arts, Barbara Presson.

Representing branches of the service were: Army, Sgt. S. Tull; Navy, CPO Frank Markert; Air Force, Sgt. H. Boone; Marines, Sgt. Marion Skinner; Coast Guard, Petty Officer Hipp; and WACS, Sgts. Archer and Painter.

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## Last Summer Roundup Scheduled On Monday

The last Summer Roundup for children entering the first grade at Chestertown Elementary School in September will be held next Monday, May 17, Kent County Health Center at 1 p.m.

Children whose last names begin with I through Z should report for registration and examination. Birth certificate is desired at the time of appearance.

REBECCA DAVENPORT



Miss Davenport, representing Harlan Bartholomew Association, Washington, D. C., is helping conduct a study of land use, parking and traffic flow in the down-town Chestertown area to be used in preliminary planning and zoning recommendations. Cooperating in the study is Richard Stahl, also of the Bartholomew firm.



RALPH O. HALL

S. RICHARD POWELL

JAMES E. RYAN

WM. A. BRISCOE

WARREN GILLESPIE

Seventy-nine voters went to the polls in the Galena town election Tuesday and incumbent mayor, James E. Ryan, unopposed, received 7 ballots.

There were six candidates for four Council vacancies. Elected were: William A. Briscoe, 73; Ralph O. Hall 55; Warren Gillespie, 49; and S. Richard Powell, 46.

The unsuccessful candidates were: John Duhamell, 36, and Samuel W. Johnston, Jr., 35. Voting machines were used for the balloting and the election supervisors were: Mrs. Nellie Cochran, Mrs. Warren Gillespie and Mrs. Raymond Mulford.