QUEEN ANNES COUNTY

Fined For Crap Shooting.

Walter Stringwood, a negro was before Magistrate Coursey Wednesday night on a charge of shooting dice at the Narrows. He was convicted and fined $10 and costs.

County Demonstrator Ill.

Everett F. White, county agricultural demonstrator, has been laid up this week with an attack of lagrippe. He was somewhat improved yesterday, however, and hopes to be able to meet his engagements for next week.

Is Elected A Delegate.

Baltimore Chapter, D. A. R. has elected the society's state editor, Mrs. Etta Legg Galloway, as a delegate to the Continental Congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution which begins April 16 in Washington. Mrs. Galloway is a sister of State Senator J. H. C. Legg.

Raising Fund For Road.

Ridgelyites are raising a fund of $2,500 as a contribution toward a concrete highway to be built in the spring from Stevenson's Corner through the town to the high school building, a distance of one mile. The improvement which will start about May 1, will replace one of the worst stretches of road in that section.

Bridge Builder Is Hurt.

While working on the new concrete bridge over Coxes Creek, Kent Island, Archie Hoxter was caught and wedged between a bulwark and a heavy piece of timber. He was badly crushed and bruised about the body before the timber could be removed. At last reports he was recovering from his injuries. This is the second serious accident that has happened on this bridge.

To Improve Gap In Road.

It is reported that advertisements will soon appear in our local papers for bids for the new state road from the college to town, thus joining the state road. Engineer Gale, who has charge of the state roads in Kent, Queen Annes, Cecil and Talbot, is reported to have made some remarks to this effect since the autos and teams were put to such inconvenience last week.—Chestertown Enterprise.

Muddy Roads Wreck Rig.

While driving to his home near Hope early last Sunday morning, Joe Foster, who sells meat to many Centrevillians, had his provision wagon broken. Just beyond "Needwood" he encountered a regular sea of mud and, in attempting to get through it, his vehicle suffered material damage. It was late Sunday before Mr. Foster was able to get home. He was in town Thursday with another wagon.

Oystermen Again Busy.

With the aid of fog, sunshine, rain and southerly winds, the ice fields that have for weeks been blocking the creeks and rivers are beginning to disappear under the influence of milder weather. The oystermen got busy as soon as possible, after being idle for weeks, and the bivalves again are going to market, Centreville getting a small share this week. It is expected that the oystermen will be able to work out the season without further interruption.

Gardeners Getting Busy.

With the coming of March, local gardeners are getting ready to plant their vegetables, etc. Because of the present high cost of living, all residents who have a small patch of ground are being advised to use it for gardening purposes, for even small yields play havoc with high prices. Some ground already has been broken for gardens and it is believed that operations will be well under way before the vernal equinox, unless unseasonable weather interferes.

Denounces Food Pirates.

A. S. Goldsborough, well known in Centreville, paid his respects to food monopolists at a meeting held last Sunday night in Union Square M. E. Church, Baltimore. Speaking on "Patriotism," Mr. Goldsborough said that the food pirates are no true patriots, but rank traitors of the most despicable sort who conspire to boost the high cost of living. Furthermore, he argued, these "pirates who prey upon their betters" should have the same fate meted out to them that is given to those who sail under the "black flag." In other words, Mr. Goldsborough would have these rapacious extortionists walk the plank or hanged at the yard arm.

Gloom Imps Parading.

With many of the little rascals perched on every vantage, a host of gloom imps are parading these days about the Centreville postoffice. Somewhere in the offing, Postmaster W. J. Woodford and his assistants are hoping that a veritable army of joy imps is waiting to descend on their office, but many outsiders fear even this hope is to go a-glimmering. The secret of all this is that the postmaster will get a bright, shiny $5 gold piece for each army or navy recruit he obtains. So far, Mr. Woodford has not even an application for one of Uncle Samuel's uniforms. Late reports are to the effect that two naval recruits were obtained at Easton by the traveling recruiting party that recently visited Centreville.

Goes To Kansas City.

Prof. Byron J. Grimes, county school superintendent, left last Saturday for Kansas City, Mo., where he will attend the winter gathering of the superintendents' division of the National Educational Association. Pertinent topics will be discussed at this meeting, which is considered of great importance to scholastic interests in the United States. Prof. Grimes plans to visit various interesting schools on his return trip and is expected to reach Centreville early next week.

Right to Run Bus Line.

William Cabell Bruce, general counsel to the Public Service Commission, has notified W. C. McDaniel, proprietor of the Arlington Hotel, that he has a legal right to run a passenger bus between the hotel and the railroad stations, regardless of whether or not another bus-line service previously has been established. There is nothing illegal in this competition, Mr. Bruce held in his ruling, announced Tuesday. Mr. McDaniel has not yet decided on the establishment of such a transfer service.

Wreck Delays Travelers.

Centrevillians returning from Baltimore last Friday afternoon were forced to spend the night in Wilmington, owing to a freight wreck near Aberdeen blocking the tracks. The Pennsylvania Railroad lodged them at the Hotel duPont. C. H. Kenton, Jr., however, took a train for Elkton and telephoned for an automobile to meet him there. He reached home at 5 o'clock Saturday morning. Former State Senator J. Frank Harper, A. M. Perkins and S. Chester Coursey were among those "marooned."

Is A War-Time Bride.

Because the regiment of her fiance, Lieutenant William Putnam Cherrington, U. S. A., was likely to be called into active service from Fort Preble, Me., in the event of war, Miss Dorothy Corkran, daughter of Mrs. Millard F. Corkran, of Wilmington, Del., and a niece of Dr. James M. Corkran, of Centreville, was married Thursday of last week in Christ P. E. Church, Portland, Me. The rector, Rev. George C. DeMott, officiated. Mrs. Cherrington's father was the late Rev. M. F. Corkran, of the Wilmington M. E. Conference.

List Grows Steadily.

Every once in a while another farmer is added to our regular list of job printing patrons. The time is gone forever when any old scrap of paper and a cheap envelope are good enough for farmers' use. The demand of today is for regulation sized stationery, neatly printed on good paper, and this demand is just as reasonable as one from a big business house. Farming is the largest business of the nation and farm stationery, while comparatively new, has come to stay. The up-to-date business like farmer quickly realizes its advantages.

Love Point Ferry Opens.

After being tied up by the ice for more than two weeks, the Love Point ferry resumed service on Monday last. The steamboat reached the pier after a struggle with floating floes in the Chesapeake Bay and crushing its way through some ice fields. Because of the menace of the floating ice, the steamboat did not resume scheduled trips until later in the week. Daylight trips were made, but it is expected, with the continuance of milder weather, that all the ice will be out of the bay in a short time and the ferry will be running as usual.

Moving Picture Program.

J. E. Cahill, manager of the Centreville Opera House, announces the following "movie" program for the coming week: Saturday (tonight), Paramount feature; Monday night, Fannie Ward in "Witchcraft;" Tuesday, Vitagraph picture, "Alibi;" Wednesday, Kitty Gordon in "The Crucial Test;" Thursday, Blue Ribbon Vitagraph film, "Hesper of the Mountains;" Friday special feature; Saturday, Blanche Sweet in "The Storm." Thos. H. Ince's great motion picture drama, "Civilization," will be shown in the Opera House on March 14.

Capital To Be "Bone" Dry.

Using a "gag rule" to overcome a "wet" filibuster, the prohibitionists in Congress on Wednesday forced through the Senate bill giving prohibition to the District of Columbia and adopted the Reed "bone dry" amendment to the postal appropriation bill. The House used "steam roller" methods and its action means that Washington will be without liquid refreshments after November 1st, 1917. It is generally agreed that President Wilson will sign the bill. Representative Jesse D. Price, of this congressional district, voted for the bill.

Fox Works A Trick.

That old sporting classic, foxhunting, is being revived in this section. Edmund Hurtt, who is wintering here, is at the head of the "resuscitation" movement. Almost every day a number of hunters and a pack of hounds go after Reynard. During a hunt in Queen Annes the fox worked a peculiar stunt, which is seldom done. He lay out flat on the ground until the dogs and hunters came within 100 yards of him, and then "beat it" for the woods with a speed that left hunters and dogs far behind.—Chestertown despatch to the Baltimore News.

New Maryland Almanac.

As a successor to the old Sun Almanac, Frank R. Kent and John W. Owens, both connected with the editorial staff of that paper, have this year issued the first number of "The Maryland Almanac," a copy of which reached The Observer this week. This new fledgling in the field of contemporaneous information is intended to take the place of the old domestic stand-by and the publishers announce that they purpose to make it a clear and concise contemporary history of the politics and progress of Maryland. It contains all the features of the old volume and many new ones.

Spy Scare At Eddystone.

Excitement prevailed last Saturday in the great Remington munitions plant, at Eddystone, Pa., when George Koob, an inspector, was arrested as a German spy. It is said that he admitted shells he had passed were imperfect, also that he was employed by a German detective agency. As a result, guard lines were tightened about the plant and 20 employes were arrested for violating the rules by carrying matches and whiskey into the works, where a number of Queen Annes countians, including B. Harman Eato, J. Harman Whiteley, Elijah Green and Lee Sparks, are among the 20,000 men employed.

Taken Ill On Train.

Hardy Robinson, a well-known farmer of near Centreville, while returning from Baltimore Saturday evening was taken seriously ill on the Pennsylvania train. When Carville was reached, Mr. Robinson was assisted from the train and it then was found that he was unconscious. He was again carried aboard the train and brought to Centreville, being rushed to the Arlington Hotel from the station in a motor-truck. There Dr. James M. Corkran diagnosed his trouble as uremic poisoning. After being critically ill all night, Mr. Robinson began to improve Sunday and Monday was able to be removed to his home.

Current Events Club.

With Miss Matilda Keating presiding, the fortnightly meeting of the Current Events Club, changed from Tuesday night, was held Wednesday evening in the Centreville Grammar School auditorium. Miss Nannie P. Keating gave a resume of the current events of the two preceding weeks and A. Howard Johnson addressed the meeting on "The Failure of the Submarine Warfare." Miss Esther Brown gave a recitation. Mrs. Charles H. Kenton sang and a musical program was rendered by a stringed orchestra composed of Misses Susie Mitchell, Mary Forman, Daisy E. Parvis, Pearle Mason and Katherine Coursey.

Chestertown's Mud Hole.

An automobile driver at Easton was asked the whereabouts of Chestertown on Sunday. He replied "Follow the state road until you arrive at a mud hole—that's Chestertown." Between the state road and High street, opposite the College Campus, is a very bad piece of road. Unfortunately, many automobile owners and drivers had to pay sums of money to be hauled from it on Saturday and Sunday. The road will, no doubt, be replaced in the near future by a piece of state road.—Chestertown Enterprise. Reports reaching Centreville stated that from $3 to $5 was demanded by residents of the town who furnished teams to haul machines out of the mud. The "kicks" became so frequent that the town commissioners finally employed a man with mules to help the autoists without heavy cost.

Hog Prices Are Soaring.

Despatches from Chicago stated this week that hogs have joined the H. C. L. family and now are selling as high as $13.55 a hundred pounds. When swine meat touched $13 a cwt. it eclipsed all records paid for porkers during the War Between the States. So insufferable has become the effect of high prices for foods that riots have broken out in New York and Philadelphia while Baltimore and Wilmington and other cities are going into the municipal marketing business to save their population from starvation. In the meantime, state and national authorities are preparing to probe and prosecute the food pirates and speculators responsible for the unheard-of prices which foodstuffs now are costing. It is within the memory of many Centrevillians when live hogs sold as low as 3 cents a pound.

Wreck Survivor Here.

William H. Greaves, one of the survivors of the wreck early last Tuesday morning on the Pennsylvania Railroad at Mt. Union, Pa., was a visitor in Centreville this week. Beyond a shaking up, he was not injured and is spending several days with his mother, Mrs. Alverta B. Greaves. Mr. Greaves was en-route from Richmond, Ind., to New York City, when the train he was in was smashed in a rear-end collision by a freight-train, the engineer of which ran past a caution signal. Twenty persons were killed and several injured. Mr. Greaves climbing from the wreckage of the Pullman he had a berth in, assisted in the rescue work, then hurried on to Philadelphia, where is located the firm that employs him as a traveling salesman in the West. While in Centreville, he renewed his subscription to The Observer.

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March Makes Its Debut.

To the accompaniment of colder weather, rain, snow and wind, February made its exit Wednesday and the fitful month of March staged its debut Thursday, coming in somewhat like the proverbial lion. The 1st wasn't such a terribly bad day, but it was sufficiently snowy and inclement, results hope, to be classed in the leonine calendar. This will mean, if the old prophecy holds good, that the month will "go out like a lamb," which result is devoutly to be hoped for. A harsher winter than that of 1917 rarely has visited the Delmarvia Peninsula. There have been storms, zero temperatures, mud and snow galore.

BUSINESS LOCALS

Locals under this heading are charged for at the rate of one cent per word, and remittance must accompany order. Twenty-five cents minimum charge.

—The Ladies Aid Society of Ruthsburg M. P. Church, will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Jester Friday evening, March 9th. M311*

—The Junior League of Centreville M. E. Church will hold a bake in the Dandy Hal building, Centreville, Saturday, March 3rd. Cakes, pies, biscuit and candy for sale beginning at 1:30 P. M. M211*

—The members of Wye Mills Church will hold a "Name Social" at the parsonage next Thursday evening, March 8. A penny for each letter in your name will be charged at the door. Musical program. Refreshments will be served. M311

—Ladies who are considering life insurance policies should read the letter published this morning from Mrs. Isabelle C. Butler, wife of Captain Charles W. Butler, to the New York Life Insurance Company. Mrs. Butler thanks the company for the prompt payment of a policy which matured this week and which was settled through W. H. Gibson, local representative. M311

—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Baxter, Sudlersville, desire to thank the many friends who have been so good and kind to their son, Roulson Baxter, and his family, since his sad accident. M311

—Mr. Handy Robinson, of near Centreville, desires to thank those who so kindly assisted him during his illness this week. He heartily appreciates the efforts of those who made him comfortable in Centreville until he recovered from his illness and was removed to his home. M311

—The Caloric Pipeless Furnaces installed this season by H. W. Chambers have proved to be quite a success. Those sold have given general satisfaction. Mr. Chambers has a car load now on the way, and another soon to follow. Any one in need of a furnace will do well to give him a call. See ad in this issue. M311

OBITUARY.

Mr. W. H. Clapp, who has made his home for the last seven years at his farm home, "Headlong Hall," Centreville died at the home of his brother in Brooklyn, N. Y., after a short illness of pneumonia, February 28. Mr. Clapp was very interested in up to date farming and was always studying improvements, until now he has a very modern farm. He was a kind-hearted generous host and leaves many friends who mourn his loss, also a brother and sister. His last days were devoted to the interests of other, striving after high ideas, and we feel that for him, Eternity will be cloudless. M211*

DIED

Clapp—On Wednesday, February 28, at his home, 278 Henry street, Brooklyn, after a short illness of pneumonia, in his sixty-fourth year, William Haines, son of the late Mary L. and Stillman S. Clapp.

Funeral services were held at his late home on Friday, March 2, at 2 P. M.

TEN RULES FOR PLOWING.

1. Plow, if possible, when the soil will drop from the moldboard in a mellow, friable condition.

2. It is better to plow when too dry than when too wet and don't delay the work too near seeding time.

3. Plow as long before planting as possible, so the soil will have ample time to settle into good seed-bed condition and store up moisture for the coming crop.

4. Deep plowing enlarges the moisture reservoir and gives more root room.

5. Late fall and winter plowing destroys weeds and many insects.

6. When a green crop or heavy coat of manure is to be turned under, plow early so the organic matter will have time to decay and the soil to become settled before seeding.

7. Have the seed bed loose and well pulverized on top, but firm and well packed underneath.

8. Good plowing breaks up and mellows the soil. Well pulverized soil will grow larger crops than a lumpy one containing the same proportion of plant food, for the reason that it holds more moisture—and it is the moisture which carries the plant food to the growing crop. It gives the plant roots a larger feeding area and has a more constant temperature.

9. In finishing a land, unless the purpose is to leave a deep dead furrow for drainage, turn a shallow furrow back into the dead furrow. The barren subsoil will produce little or no crop.

10. Poorly drained fields, or those in regions of great rainfall, may be plowed in narrow lands, making high back furrow ridges and deep dead furrows. If necessary, such lands may be plowed this way two or three years in succession. This elevates a large portion of the surface and gives better drainage over the whole area.—A. M. Ten Eyck.

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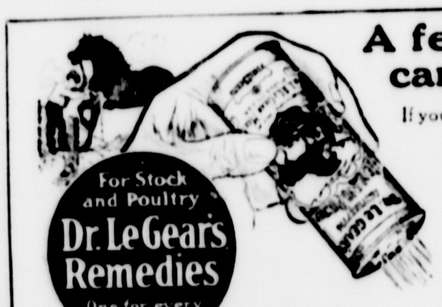

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late of said county, deceased. All persons having claims against said deceased's estate are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the undersigned

On or before the 17th day of September, 1917,

otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said deceased's personal estate.

All persons indebted to this estate must settle at once.

Given under my hand this 17th day of February, in the year 1917.

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