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This column is not for use in advertising any money-making program, fair, supper, party or sale except for non-denominational charities or Fire Company or Public Library support.

Churches, Lodges, Societies, Schools, etc. are requested to use our Special Notice Department for money-making events.

Positively, no free notices will be given in this column to Card Parties, or Bingo games, or like events.

Walter Fringer, of New York City, spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. C. T. Fringer and family.

Miss Dorothy Kephart is spending from Tuesday until Monday with her sister, Miss Catherine Kephart, in Philadelphia.

Miss Betty Ott, nurse at the York City Hospital, spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ott.

The Homemakers' Club will meet next Thursday, at 2:00 o'clock, in the Firemen's Building. A good attendance is requested.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Putman and Mr. and Mrs. Thurston Putman, spent Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. D. H. Enfield, at Durham, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hockensmith and Miss Grace Waybright spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lockner, Gettysburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler and child, of Gratz, Pa.; Miss Mary Edwards, Brooklyn, N. Y. and Roy Edwards, of New York City, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Ethel Edwards.

Mrs. Charles L. Ritter, Frederick, is spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Ernest Ritter, Taneytown and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ritter, Keyville.

The Misses Helen Bankard, of Delmar, Del., and Ludean Bankard, of Federalsburg, Md., are spending their holiday vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bankard.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schmidt and son, Herman; Mr. and Mrs. Carmello Fonte and daughter, Betty, of Baltimore, spent Christmas Day, with Earnest Hyser and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lambert.

The Fire Company was called to Geo. Marquet's, along the road leading to the Uniontown and Westminster road, at 3:00 o'clock, Wednesday morning, to a chimney fire. No damage was done.

George Benner of Mt. Kaig, who has been a patient at the Frederick City Hospital, suffering with an infected hand, is now spending some time with his brother, Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Benner.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reifsnider and son, David, near town, were among the guests that were entertained to a Christmas dinner on Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Maurice Hess, Woodbine, Md.

Rev. and Mrs. L. B. Hafer attended services at the Second Lutheran Church of Chambersburg, Pa., and took Christmas dinner with a brother and three sisters of Mr. Hafer. The oldest sister, Mrs. Naomi C. Ramsey, celebrated her eightieth birthday anniversary the day before Christmas.

The following were guests at a turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Baumgardner and family: Mr. and Mrs. John Baumgardner, Murray Baumgardner and Virginia Ohler, from Taneytown; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Moser and daughter, Shirley; Margaret Null and Emma Bell Fuss.

Mr. John Eyer, near Ladiesburg, who has been confined to the house for several months, remains about the same. Last Sunday evening after the services at Mt. Zion (Haugh's) Lutheran Church, Rev. Schmidt and the choir gathered on the lawn in front of Mr. Eyer's home and sang Christmas carols, which were very much enjoyed.

Our office finished the last "before Christmas" order, on last Saturday, and are now back to a normal basis. We like to be busy, but do not like the jitterish before Christmas business, largely due to the bad habit of customers who do not plan far enough ahead—and likely never will—just before Christmas—but with some, it is a fixed bad habit. You get better work and service, usually, when workmen are not hurried.

Those who spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Mary Stonesifer, were; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hockensmith and daughter, Mary Frances; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stonesifer and sons, Charles Leo and Ernest; Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Phillips and daughter, Helen Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Stonesifer and son, Glen; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Shyrock and son, John; Russell Stonesifer, daughter and son, Gene and Fred, and Mr. Israel Griman.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Baumgardner and son Murray, of town, on Christmas Day: Dr. and Mrs. George Baumgardner, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ohler, sons, Joseph, Paul, Junior and David; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Baumgardner, sons Robert, Elwood and Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hesson and son, Charles; Mr. Kenneth Baumgardner, of Baltimore; Mr. Fancier, of Baltimore; Miss Nioma Harbaugh, of Baltimore; Miss Elizabeth Troxell, Philadelphia, and Miss Troxell, Rocky Ridge, visited at the same place on Tuesday, Dec. 27th.

BEGIN A SCRAP BOOK

One Good Way of Beginning the New Year Right.

If you do not already keep a well ordered Scrap Book you should begin one now. That is, you should begin to collect the "Scraps" for one, for actually making a valuable book is an art requiring thought and skill.

You need not buy a book specially for that purpose. The chances are that you already have a strongly bound book of some sort that is of no real use to you. Or, it may be that a request made at a printing office will result in your getting, free of charge, just what you need.

A good size would be about 2 or 2½ inches thick. The printed lines of the book should be about 4½ inches long. This would accommodate two columns of single column wide scraps. As the pasting in of scraps would prevent the closing of the book without spreading, carefully cut out two leaves of the book every time more space is needed.

Do not cut the scraps too close but let the column rule stand on each side, and when pasting in, let one of the rules stand as a separator of the scrap columns.

Let the scraps collect to a rather large quantity before beginning to make the book. This will give a chance to fill out the columns and also provide for a departmental system. The leaves left in the book should be numbered at the top in ink. Then be sure to provide an index both in the front and back of the book, in order to make it easy to find what you may want as the book increases in size.

Be sure to use some good paste, such as may be had at a drug or book store. A carefully made flour paste may answer the purpose. Use a good small brush and see that the paste is of the right consistency, and is evenly applied. It should not be wet enough to soak the leaves.

Take plenty of time to do the work neatly and well. What you are most interested in should determine the value of scraps. Certainly a lot of baking and cooking recipes should be kept. What to do in cases of emergency. How to care for homes and furnishings. How to make things.

Care of furnaces, lamps, refrigerators and electrical appliances. Simple remedies in "first aid", cases of illness or accidents. Do not overload the book with comparatively trifling matters.

Use the newspapers and magazines that come into your homes. The scraps are of more value in a book than in a lot of periodicals that you perhaps can not find when most wanted.

No doubt you will want to keep scraps of deaths, and public occurrences and events such as marriages. Arrange all of these, departmentally, and not scattered throughout the book.

It may be best to cut out all of the unneeded leaves and number the pages, from the very outset. After years of use, you will appreciate the value of your early care. And always keep the book at a place where you are sure to find it. Do not let it "lie around" for some time it will be one of your more valued possessions.

BROODER HOUSE BURNED.

A small brooder house at Norman R. Sauble's was destroyed by fire on Christmas Eve, shortly before 9:00 o'clock. There was nobody at home and no exact cause of the fire can be given; but it was likely due to an overheated stove. About 150 ducklings were destroyed along with the building.

WATCH NIGHT SERVICE PLANNED.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Grace Reformed Church, Taneytown, will hold their annual "Watch-night" Service on this Saturday night, New Year's Eve, at 11 P. M., in the Sunday School room of the church. Special music and talks are being arranged. Rev. Irvin Morris of the Taneytown Presbyterian Church will be the guest speaker of the evening. The public is cordially invited.

UNION SERVICE IN TANEYTOWN.

The Protestant Churches of Taneytown will unite in a series of Union Services during the week of January 1 to January 8, in the Reformed Church, services each evening at 7:30 o'clock. The speakers for each evening are as follows:

- Sunday, January 1, Rev. Irvin N. Morris.
- Monday, January 2, Rev. A. T. Sutcliffe.
- Tuesday, January 3, Rev. Guy P. Bready.
- Wednesday, January 4, Rev. A. W. Garvin.
- Thursday, January 5, Rev. Guy P. Bready.
- Friday, January 6, Rev. A. T. Sutcliffe.
- Saturday, January 7, Rev. Irvin N. Morris.
- Sunday, January 8, Rev. A. W. Garvin.

Congregational singing will be a feature of the services. The singing will be led by a Men's chorus, recruited from the choirs of the participating churches.

SILVER.

Read the article on our editorial page, this issue, on Silver. It may convey to you as much new information as it did to the Editor. Apparently, the authority for the correctness of the information is good. Why, these purchases were made? Is something of a problem.

What Will 1939 Bring Us?

(RANDOM THOUGHTS.)

Our wisest men do not know. Our best men hope for Peace, world-wide, and Prosperity in general. To all of us, the New Year means the beginning of another year of 365 days of both individual and organized Opportunity and Responsibility.

If we want Peace, Prosperity and Happiness, we must contribute our full share toward all. The measure of our Honesty, Industry and Economy will be very important.

There will be selfishness, Crime, Greed and Immorality in both Private and Public life, to steer clear of, as well as openly and effectually condemn.

As we Give, so are we likely to Receive, Truly it is Ours, and not the New Year's Opportunities and Responsibilities that are ahead of us.

ROBBERY AT MEDFORD

A Hold-up at one of the Medford Stores.

Norman Bollinger, a clerk in charge of a branch store of the Medford Grocery Co., was held-up last Saturday evening at about 5 o'clock, when one of two men pointed a gun at him and ordered him to deliver the cash he was about to take to the main store about 1000 yards distant.

Mr. Bollinger surrendered a change envelope that contained about \$24.00 in bills and \$26.00 in silver. Another and larger sum he did not get. The two men made a hasty getaway in a Chevrolet sedan. The authorities at Westminster and New Windsor were notified but as yet they have not been caught.

The main bandit is described as weighing about 200 lbs., 6 feet in height, and wore a disguise about his chin and wore glasses with screen sides. Mr. Bollinger at first thought the man was a late customer from a distance.

GETTYSBURG BATTLE VETERAN DIES AT 107 YEARS.

This week, Prof. Howard E. Slagen, of Salisbury, N. C., who is spending his vacation at St. Petersburg, Florida, sent us clippings from a St. Petersburg newspaper, telling of the death of Charles W. Eldridge, a veteran of the Civil War and fought in the battle of Gettysburg had just died aged 107 years, and of another of the veterans who died the next day, Harvey D. Cramer, 92 years old. One of the clippings says:

"As late as Friday, Eldridge was reported improving, but at midnight he began slipping away and failed to respond to oxygen which was administered to him. The keen-witted old gentleman was a master of the art of repartee. His observations on longevity, the modern generation, and "this day and age," have been quoted throughout the city. Born in Edinburgh, Scotland, he was married three times, and survived all three wives. He was a "strict Republican," and voted for nearly a score of presidential candidates during his lifetime. (When a mere youngster he ran away from home to a life on the seas which he sailed for half a century.)

About his strong but unorthodox views on the secret of longevity, he said not long ago: "I don't chew my food much. To keep your stomach right, give it plenty to do. If you chew your food too much the acids in your stomach get lazy and finally refuse to work at all."

Eldridge gave up liquor when he was "young"—about 30 years ago—but smoked cigars and a pipe almost continuously until a fall in his home last week, resulted in broken ribs, pneumonia and death."

Eldridge was at the Gettysburg encampment, last Summer, where about 75 years before, he had fought.

FURNACE CARE.

In order that we may get the most value out of a heating furnace in our home, there are certain facts that we should know and practice. The following, from "Better Homes and Gardens," are among them.

1. Be sure that flues are kept free from accumulated soot by having your furnace vacuum-cleaned at the beginning of the heating season. Heating engineers estimate that soot accumulated during one season will reduce the transfer of heat from 5 to 7 per cent, and waste a proportionate amount of fuel.
2. Keep the chimney clean. A dirty chimney reduces the amount of draft and is a fire hazard.
3. Inspect the smoke-pipe between furnace and chimney frequently. If it shows signs of corrosion or rust, install a new one at once, as a leaky smoke-pipe allows the dangerous carbon-monoxide gas to escape. For the same reason, see that the smoke-pipe is well cemented where it connects with the chimney.
4. Remove all ashes from fire-box and ash-pit when summer comes. Ashes have a corrosive action on grates and other metal parts. At intervals during the summer, burn paper and rubbish in your furnace. This keeps the smoke-pipe dry.

Honor, to whom honor is due, is seldom paid in full.

ALL CHIMNEY FIRES

Can be Provided Against with use of Proper Care.

Many chimney fires could be avoided if the property owner would exercise reasonable care. All chimneys should be brushed out once a year. There should always be a good-sized opening left at the bottom of the chimney, to be closed by a metal door, or plan without this chimney cleaning is difficult.

Of course, no chimney, or flue should ever be started on a wooden floor, all should be from the ground up. A stiff metal or wooden rod swab with a brush sufficient to loosen the soot should be used.

Or an old sack filled with hay or straw with rope at each end should be drawn up and down the chimney. Some use a small pine tree with good results.

When there is a good fire in a stove, when the chimney starts to burn, a handful of salt thrown on the stove fire is said to be likely to smother it out.

Do not allow paper or rubbish of any kind to collect in a fire place as it is apt to be set on fire by falling sparks.

Calling out a Fire Company in the middle of a night to help extinguish chimney fires, should be unnecessary; and it goes without saying that such calls should be well paid for by the sender.

SHERIFF'S SON CHARGED WITH BURGLARY.

It is currently reported that Geo. Shipley, son of Sheriff Walter L. Shipley, of this county is now confined in the Reisterstown, Baltimore County Jail on the charge of having broken into and stolen an auto from the Fox Motor Company garage last Saturday morning. The auto and some office equipment are valued at about \$1300.

The hearing was held before Justice J. E. Myers, of Reisterstown, and resulted in holding young Shipley for the action of the coming grand jury.

CONCERNING THE DOCTOR.

"During this prolonged period of hard times, there has been bitter complaint about doctors' bills, and many hard things have been said by irresponsible persons who picture the medical profession as a selfish body of men and women out to "do" the public.

There are three things which every doctor has to accept; first that he must do his best for his patients whether he is paid for his work or not; second that he must be prepared to wait a long time for his pay; and third that in a large number of instances he will not receive any pay at all.

Very few people realize that the doctors are the great charity foundation of the world and that despite their expensive education few doctors make any more than a bare living. And furthermore the doctors are doing everything they can to improve the people's health and because of this, people are living longer and becoming more healthy.

In reality the medical bill of the nation could be cut at least in half by the prevention of minor illnesses through eating foods containing the necessary protective elements and by the immediate care of injuries so that infection will not follow; in short by the people taking a share of responsibility for their own well being."

This is what a Doctor says, as published in a recent issue of The Farm Journal.

STATEMENT TIME.

If you get a statement of your account due from some business concern, do not resent it. All business men receive statements every month, for bills unpaid.

They expect you to take good care of your credit. They do not do business on a "pay any time" basis. Neither should you, for you are a "business man" too. Make your promise good, if you have made one; if not, then the statement tells you what is expected of you.

Sometimes it is best to be blind to the faults of others, and improve those of our own.

A TULAREMIA DEATH.

Reported by Baltimore City Health Department.

According to the Baltimore News-Post, another death is directly chargeable to the rabbit hunting pastime. The News-Post says:

"This death was that of a market proprietor who caught the disease while dressing shipped-in rabbits, even while wearing rubber gloves. His wife caught the disease last year, but recovered. Dr. Huntington Williams, head of the Health Department, said:

"Most of our trouble comes not from Maryland rabbits, which are now pretty free from tularemia, but from Kansas and Missouri rabbits which are shipped in here by railroads.

"They are dressed and displayed for sale in the markets, and it is in dressing this type of rabbit that the market man and the housewives are running the biggest chances.

"Tularemia is getting worse each year. We are having more trouble with it right now than with diphtheria."

Dr. Williams said the Department had recorded only three deaths from diphtheria this year, the lowest on record, and said he considered it an excellent mark for the Department."

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALES.

William B. Matthews, managing director of the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, requests everyone who has overlooked their Seals in the excitement of Christmas to hunt them up and make returns on them. "There are many unpaid for Seals tucked away in some hiding place, which if paid for, can insure every county an adequate anti-tuberculosis program for the ensuing year."

The records of the counties according to the last reports made by their chairman are as follows:

Allegheny	\$1175.00
Anne Arundel	1769.56
Baltimore (1st. Dist.)	553.80
Baltimore	2369.81
Calvert	93.70
Caroline	338.80
Carroll	498.45
Cecil	365.00
Charles	109.75
Dorchester	No Report
Frederick	1278.03
Garrett	199.70
Harford	697.11
Howard	220.05
Kent	398.50
Montgomery	3041.39
Prince George's	1336.13
Queen Anne's	229.10
St. Mary's	99.75
Somerset	111.75
Talbot	604.85
Washington	1552.69
Wicomico	641.45
Worcester	605.56

COLD COMES OUT OF THE WEST

The coldest weather of the season, so far, swept eastward from the far West, Monday to Wednesday. 10° below zero was reported in Dakota, Minnesota and Nebraska. Snow attended the cold throughout most of the west.

Southern states, from Maryland to North Carolina. Wind damage, approaching storm proportion followed as far South as Texas.

The coldest was recorded at Warroad, Minn., along the Canadian border where the low mark was 37° below zero.

Throughout northern central Maryland snow and auto accidents were numerous, and snow plows were called out in the Thurmont, Sabillasville section.

The extreme cold has continued practically throughout the country, as low as 34° below in Minnesota. Only 18 deaths appear to have been reported, directly or attributable to the cold.

In the far south freezing temperatures extended to the Gulf of Mexico and the borders of Florida. In up state New York temperatures have ranged from 10° below in the Adirondacks to 18° above at Albany.

Automobile accidents due to skidding have been numerous, and in some instances roadways have been lined with them in ditches, and some have entirely upset but mostly without deaths attending, but many with painful disabilities.

SENATOR TYDINGS DECLINES AN APPOINTMENT.

U. S. Senator Millard F. Tydings has declined for the second time the appointment as chairman of the Senate District of Columbia Committee, an appointment that carries with it practically the title of "Mayor of Washington."

The Senator likely means to attend pretty strictly to being a United States Senator, and is not seeking additional honors or responsibilities. It would be quite like him to adopt such a conclusion.

CARROLL COUNTY SOCIETY ANNUAL DINNER.

The Carroll County Society of Baltimore City will hold its 20th. annual dinner on January 19, 1939, at 7:00 o'clock, sharp, at the Southern Hotel. Governor-elect Herbert R. O'Connor and Hon. Fred G. Holloway, President of Western Maryland College have been invited to speak at this dinner. There will be an orchestra and of course singing.

"The three indefinables of genius are understanding, feeling and perseverance, and genius is made up of contentment of mind, good thoughts and exercise of memory."—Southerny.

INAUGURAL PLANS ARE COMPLETED.

All Ceremonies will be held out-of-doors, if possible.

Practically all plans have been completed for the inauguration of Governor-elect O'Connor, on January 11th. The chance is being taken that the weather will be fit for all ceremonies, including the inaugural address, to be held out of doors.

The hour of beginning has been set for 11:00 A. M., when the Naval Academy Band will open a concert on the State House lawn.

The Governor-elect will take the oath of office in the Senate Chamber at noon, and soon after will proceed to the south portico of the State House for the inaugural address.

The parade that will follow will be colorful and extensive, made up of military bodies, political clubs, bands of music, Baltimore police, State police, and numerous civic organizations.

Governor and Mrs. Nice will witness the ceremonies in the State House.

SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD MAKING PAYMENTS.

There are two kinds of payments under the old-age insurance provisions of the Social Security Act.

One kind is monthly old-age benefit payments. Payment of these will not begin until January 1, 1942.

The other kind is lump-sum payments. Such payments are due now to many workers; and to estates and relatives of eligible workers who have died since December 31, 1936.

The Social Security Board has made it simple for the eligible worker or the estate or relatives of an eligible worker to file a claim for such a lump-sum payment. Payments are only made to those who file claims for the sums due them.

(1) To the worker who has reached 65 since January 1, 1937, and who has been paid wages for work done as an employee since December 31, 1936, and before he reached 65, in any employment which is not specifically excepted under the old-age benefit provisions of the act; and,

(2) To the estate or relatives of a worker who has died since December 31, 1936, provided the deceased worker had been paid wages for work done as an employee, after December 31, 1936, and before he reached 65, in employment which is not specifically excepted under the old-age benefit provisions of the Social Security Act.

A claim must be filed before any payment can be made. No fee is charged. It is not necessary to employ a claim agent or anyone else. Your nearest Social Security Board field office will give you all information and every assistance.

Simple forms have been prepared so the worker may easily file a claim which will meet requirements of the act. A form is available for each class of claimant, that is, the wage earner himself; the widow or widower; other close relative; executors and guardians or committees.

BICYCLE ACCIDENTS ON THE INCREASE.

With accidents involving bicycles climbing steadily in the past few years, the Keystone Automobile Club advises that children who received bicycles for Christmas be instructed in the "rules of the road."

Many children who have never before ridden bikes will be riding them during and after the holidays, it is pointed out. Unless properly coached by their elders, the boys and girls will have no conception of their responsibilities on streets and highways.

"Parents may save themselves much grief," said George E. Kenepp, Manager of the Club, "if they spend some time teaching children with newly-acquired bicycles the fundamentals of safe operation in respect to traffic hazards."

"The tremendous increase in death and injury accidents involving bicycles shows that a great many youthful cyclists lack this knowledge. "Simple information such as waiting for traffic lights, slowing down at intersections, making turns properly, staying in one lane of traffic, obeying 'stop' signs, riding with lights at night, and other elementary factors for safety may prevent death or painful injury to children.

"An increase in bicycle accidents conservatively estimated at 90 percent for the last four years and a fatality rate much greater than that of automobile accidents should impress the importance of safety teaching on fathers and mothers who presented their children with bicycles this Christmas."

OUR ABSENT BROTHERS.

See the host, angelic brothers, Who have just gone on before, How they're waiting for the others Coming from a distant shore.

We are those who yet do tarry, And the waiting won't be long; For we're marching ever onward To unite with that great throng.

Ever marching, but not weeping Work remains for us to do, And we must not shirk that duty If to the Great Cause we're true.

Living brothers, those who left us Bid us ever firm to stand, For the Cause by them unholden— God and Home and Native Land.

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All articles on this page are either original or properly credited. This has always been a fixed rule with this Office, and we suggest the adoption of it by our exchanges.

The publication in The Record of clipped editorials does not necessarily mean that such editorials are indorsed by The Record. In many instances they are published in order to show varying opinions on public topics.

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TIME TO "TAKE STOCK."

We do not know with full assurance to what extent we are becoming too strongly "relief" minded. Whether or not our governmental new deals are unnecessarily upsetting our natural obligations, and creating a dependence that should not exist among normal minded individuals. If they are, then they are doing more harm than real good.

The very best kind of dependence is self-dependence; or dependence on those whose natural duty it is to supply care and attention to one's own blood, or to those who live about us as neighbors. There is a kinship that requires us to be helpful-minded at all times, to those about us who are unfortunate.

Manly and womanly pride should put off seeking aid as long as it is humanly possible to do so. It is not true that "the world owes us a living" in a good many cases. Children should want to care for their parents or close kin, and be glad to do so. Children should pay back debts they owe their parents who cared for them when in childhood. Even animals are apt to do this. It is only an exhibition of common humanity to do so.

If the government has the proper right to try to adjust family misfortune, it should first require the exercise of a charity that begins at home. A proper majority rule requires nothing less than this—something on the order of the Golden Rule, in operation in its best sense.

Going to the "government" for help may become both a habit and a demand, without just cause. And, a government may engage in such business in order to create obligations on individuals who are expected to "pay back" at election time, and thereby continue what may be a spendthrift government in power indefinitely; and for the selfish political interests of the benefactors who are not paying out their own money, but money gathered through compulsory taxation on the thrifty.

"Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness" is an old motto, long held in the highest esteem as a birth-right. But another old command, or motto, must not be forgotten—"Honor Thy Father and Thy Mother" that did not in the slightest mean that the government should represent either.

So, we need to "take stock" of the ways into which we are drifting, and at this beginning of a New Year is a good time to do it. New legislation is as much of importance as the observance of old laws that have never been amended nor repealed.

A YEAR FOR READING.

The year 1939 will contain many events of unusual importance. It is almost unnecessary to try to state what these events may be, for no one knows just what they may involve. But it is a sure case that there will be plenty of them.

Of course, the coming meeting of Congress will be interesting, and many new acts are pretty sure to come out of it. The situation in Europe is of world-wide importance, and the United States will be interested in many ways.

There are investigations being made by special committees that may give new light on the inner workings of some of our new deal legislation—perhaps going so far as to call for Supreme Court action.

Organized Labor is far from satisfied with the present situation, and will likely demand some radical changes in our laws.

The question of taxation—likely involving more of it—is a fairly sure comer during the year, and this may stir up a number of attending issues.

Yes, everybody of average intelligence will need to keep up with "the times" and this necessarily means more reading and the exercise of more individual thought and action.

The possibility of a "third term" for President Roosevelt is not by any means unthinkable. We are not paying much attention to mere precedents, just now, and big "politics" has the centre of the stage.

What the new Congress may do with its greatly increased Republican membership, is not the least of the coming news features. "The people" will unquestionably feel that they are not a silent quantity to the extent of the past two years.

Then, we have a new Administration in Maryland. What will it do, and how will we like it. Something radical is likely to be done about the road building question, and State care of the unemployed will be heard from. And this is merely skimming over the surface of what may interest those who have not heretofore been close readers—"the Science of Government."

CAUSE OF CONCERN.

There are over four million foreigners in America not naturalized, according to the estimate of the Commissioner of Immigration published in the last report of the Secretary of Labor. And there are over ten million unemployed right now in America according to estimates of the Federation of Labor.

Besides there are over twenty million people in receipt of direct or indirect relief from the government. No other country in the world faces such a situation. It is doubtful if any other government than ours would tolerate such conditions to exist. With our large unemployment situation an Alien at work means a citizen idled, and every additional for-American "reft" of his job.

And every foreigner in America out of work is an additional burden on the over burdened tax paying American. Over a quarter million foreigners were admitted to the U. S. during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1938, and 67,697 of these were admitted for permanent residence, the rest were visitors, but the visitors in many cases, sought and found jobs to the disadvantage of unemployed American citizens.

Now there is loud cry for the admission of six hundred thousand refugees from Germany. We do not need these refugees, we do not want them, and if the majority sentiment of the country is consulted we will not tolerate their admission. Brazil is larger than the U. S. and could swallow all of them without gagging—a thing certainly, which we could not do. Palestine—the Hold Land—is open. Why not return there and establish their kingdom.

This is not said with any feeling of antipathy to the Jew, it is our feeling toward ALL immigration of aliens to our shores. We admitted between 1890 and up to just before the World War so many aliens who have stayed and stayed alien minded, that we cannot swallow more until these are digested. We advise our statesmen and leaders to give thought to America and her needs and not to aliens and alien countries and their desires.

Baltimore. W. J. H.,

WILL THEY—OR WON'T THEY?

Those in Washington high places pinched themselves and each other last week just to be sure they were fully awake. When they had reassured themselves that they were not dreaming, astonishment turned to confusion.

To appreciate the situation that sent the brain trusters into a dizzy whirl, it must be recalled that on several occasions in recent months government spokesmen have said the cause of all our economic ills was the lack of co-operation by businessmen; that if the business man just had it in him to be constructive rather than critical of the government, recovery would at last be in sight.

Offers of co-operation came immediately from all business quarters, but on each occasion the brain trust group accepted with suspicion, seeming unwilling to believe that the business men meant it.

Then came the crowning blow to the disbelievers last week when some 4,000 industrial leaders gathered for the Congress of American Industry in New York and went far beyond the fondest dreams of the co-operation seekers. The businessmen not only extended a sincere offer of co-operation, but went so far as to offer constructive suggestions for co-operative effort between government, labor and business.

If all groups—industry, labor and government—are ready to admit and correct their mistakes, the businessmen reasoned, then recovery should be the inevitable result.

And that is what causes all the confusion in Washington. The next move is definitely up to the government and the brain trust is wondering just how it is going to meet its end of the bargain of cooperation. They hadn't figured that they would have to.—N. L. News Service.

THE GOVERNMENT'S INVESTMENT IN SILVER.

Silver is a commercial metal, not very different from copper, lead, zinc, tin, etc., and is bought and sold in the open market like the rest.

The market price of silver for the last three years has been very stable at from 42 to 46 cents an ounce. It is now 42 1/2 cents. That is what silver is "worth"—its real value.

But after July, 1934, when our Silver Purchase Act went into force, the Treasury was ordered to buy large quantities of silver, until one of two things happened; either the market price of silver rose above \$1.29 per ounce, or we bought so much silver that its value as coined money would be one-third of the money value of our gold stock.

Since that time the Treasury has bought about \$2,250,000,000 of silver (at its coined value, not its open-market price), and has paid from 64.64 cents per ounce to 77.57 cents, for silver produced from our own mines. For foreign silver the prices have been lower.

Since the silver miners could get only about 43 cents for their silver on the open market, the difference of nearly 24 cents is a free subsidy or hand-out. At times that subsidy has been as high as 32 cents an ounce.

For this hand-out at the expense of the taxpayers (later if not now) what have we received?

We have a stock of useless silver, as useless as so much slag.

We have "broadened our money base," which because of the \$14,000,000,000 of gold we hold, is already dangerously broad.

We have not increased general employment or raised wages or prices through the silver purchase program in any way whatever.

We have practically ruined the money systems of Mexico and China, and would have ruined India's if they had not taken defensive steps. We have added to the troubles of Spain. We have interfered with trade with all these countries.

We did all this—why?

To supply employment to an unimportant branch of an industry in a handful of states, where silver is produced mostly as a by-product of the copper, lead, zinc and gold mines. Probably there has been a little additional employment in the silver states since 1934. Certainly the stockholders and bondholders of the mining companies have benefited by the free hand-out they have received from the Treasury.

On the other hand, no government will hold this enormous mass of dead silver indefinitely. Some of it must some time be sold, and what this will do to the price of silver, the mining companies and the miners, it is not hard to foresee.

"As a subsidy to home producers the silver program has been an unprecedented success. As a device for buying Western votes in Congress with public wealth, it has been moderately successful. As a means of producing the general economic benefits promised to the nation by its advocates it has been a complete failure."—Farm Journal.

FIRST EFFECT OF ALCOHOL.

Dr. Emil Bogen and W. S. Hisey in "What about Alcohol?" say: "The first effects of small doses of alcohol may not be seen in the dulling of the senses and the loss of control of the muscles, or even in the weakening of ordinary thinking. The very first thing that alcohol does is to attack the highest abilities, the parts of the brain that have to do with judgment, reason, and the control of the behavior."

A person who has had an alcoholic drink is not so careful in choosing his words, and often says things that he would not have said if he were completely sober. Often this happens in the presence of other people who have also been drinking and they may then applaud language that would otherwise have disgusted them.

The looseness of speech, the little departures from good taste and manners, and the lessening of self-control may not be noticed by anyone who does not know how the same person talks and acts when he has not been drinking."

As a rule, the drinker is a "yes man." He is amenable to suggestion and particularly so if the suggestion is in line with the animal impulses which are asserting themselves strongly because of his narcotized inhibiting controls. This effect of alcohol is socially felt in the prevalence of disease so frequently attributable to misconduct.—Temperance and Morals.

A REVIEW OF THE WEEKLY NEWSPAPER SITUATION.

Wright A. Patterson, Editor of The Publishers' Auxiliary, has the following to say, in part, of the problems of weekly newspapers: "The year 1938 is closing. For publishers of America it could have been worse than it was, but it was not of the best, and that applies especially to the weekly newspapers.

However, there were bright, as well as dark, spots.

During the year more than 500 publishers of weekly newspapers found they could increase subscription or advertising rates or both and improve, rather than injure, their business. That represented approximately 10 per cent of the weekly papers which were sold at less than \$2.00 a year, and at the end of 1938, just about 90 per cent of the publishers of weekly papers are receiving \$2.00 or more each year from each subscriber. That was done not only without a loss in circulation, but with some actual gains in many cases.

This subscription item meant better than a quarter of a million dollars for these 500 publishers.

During the same period, a somewhat less number of publishers increased advertising rates, with a resulting increase in revenue.

On the other side of the ledger is recorded the passing of some 300 country weekly newspapers. Some of these 300 were weaklings for which there was not much excuse for existence, but some were worthy publications which would have succeeded had their publishers not been afraid to ask a fair price for their product. Looking forward to 1939 there are many reasons for encouragement. To be sure a number of newspaper offices will be affected by the wage and hour law. Some will have as they had in 1938, the direct social security tax. All will feel the effect of both laws on the price of supplies they must purchase. Directly or indirectly all will feel the effect of the ever-increasing wage scales and the short-ending of hours of labor, which necessarily mean higher prices for what the newspaper publisher must buy, probably including labor.

But general business conditions in 1939 will be improved over 1938, and while the cost of producing a newspaper will be increased, publishers have very generally learned that this increase must, and can, be passed along to the consumer—the subscriber and advertiser. That is an essential in all business, if the business is to continue, and the production of a newspaper is in no sense an exception."

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF Valuable Real Estate

LOCATED IN TANEYTOWN DISTRICT, CARROLL COUNTY.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County passed in cause No. 7004 Equity, in the Circuit Court for Carroll County, the undersigned Trustee named by said decree, will sell at public sale on the premises located along the public road leading from the Taneytown-Littlestown Road to Bethel Church, in Taneytown District, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 7th, 1939, at 1:30 o'clock, P. M., all that house and lot situated as aforesaid, now or formerly occupied by Leo T. Collins, adjoining the lands of John E. Teeter and others, containing 1 Acre and 89 Square Perches, more or less, and improved by a

2-STORY DWELLING HOUSE and other necessary outbuildings. This property is the same property which was conveyed unto Charles D. Grove by deed of Walter F. Crouse and wife, dated the 22nd day of November, 1937, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll County in Liber L. D. M. No. 167, folio 260 &c.

TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash on day of sale or upon the ratification thereof by the Court, the residue in two equal payments of one year and two years, respectively, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchasers, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale, or all cash at the option of the purchasers.

THEODORE F. BROWN, Trustee.

A. EARL SHIPLEY, Solicitor.

EARL BOWERS, Auct. 12-16-4t

Election Notice of St. Mary's Cemetery Association of Carroll County, Incorporated

Silver Run, Md. The lot holders of St. Mary's Cemetery Association, Inc., are hereby notified that the regular Annual Meeting for the election of two Directors, to serve for four years on the board, will be held on Monday, January 2, 1939, at 2:00 o'clock, P. M., in the Hall at Silver Run, Md.

HARRY N. GROFT, Secretary-Treasurer.

12-23-4t.

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ELECTION

A meeting of the members of the TANEYTOWN MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF CARROLL COUNTY, for the election of eight Directors for the said Company, shall be held at the office of the Company in Taneytown, Md., January 3rd, 1939, between the hours of 1 P. M. and 3:00 P. M.

GEORGE E. DODRER, Secretary.

12-23-2t

Notice of Election

The Stockholders of The Taneytown Garage Co., are notified that an election will be held for a Board of Directors at the office of the Company, Jan. 3, 1939, between the hours of 1:00 and 2:00 o'clock, P. M.

D. J. HESSON, President.

12-23-2t

SEASONS' GREETINGS

Taneytown Grain & Supply Co

Taneytown, Md.

NEW YEAR on WHEELS

By Helen Morton

"JUST one more mountain range to cross," Mac said to his sister, Josephine, as they got into their car one clear bright morning. They had been traveling forever, it seemed to her. They wanted to reach California and restore Mac to health.

"If we can start the New Year on the coast, everything will be all right," Josephine had told her brother, and she really seemed to have a superstitious feeling that if Mac was to get well, they must accomplish their trip by that time.

"Stiff wind blowing through here," Mac exclaimed, drawing his scarf more closely about his throat as they approached a grade.

"Mountain Springs grade," Josephine told him. "I hope the wind doesn't mean a storm. This is the last day of the old year."

They hadn't climbed far, however, before they knew they were in for it.

Josephine, at the wheel while Mac rested from his morning of driving, had to grip the wheel with fierce intensity. The car was climbing with difficulty. The snow was blurring the windshield.

"We've got to make the coast," Josephine was muttering to herself, when she realized that Mac had



"Here's luck," she said. "A house—the first I've seen in an hour."

wakened from his restless sleep. Abruptly she became animated, alert. "It's lovely and woodsy around here," she exclaimed.

"Awfully narrow road," Mac rejoined. "Are you sure you're on the highway?"

"I'm not sure of anything," Josephine replied. "Do you think we'd better stop and inquire?"

"I sure do," Mac agreed emphatically. "Your gasoline gauge isn't any too encouraging. We don't want to be stalled in this blizzard."

"You're getting tired, too, I know. I didn't count on this storm when I suggested stopping early yesterday. Here's luck," she interrupted herself. "A house right here, the first I've seen in an hour. I'll pop in."

She was back in a few moments, with a uniformed figure in a big slouch hat and high leather boots.

"Mac, I'm miles off the highway. I've been following the trail of Mr. Boseman's car. Oh, this is Mr. Boseman, a border patrolman, and this is my brother, Mac Silver. Mr. Boseman lives in this house here. He wants us to stop with him until the storm is over," Josephine explained, looking troubled.

"See here, Mr. Silver, I have plenty of room, and it will be a job trying to make the nearest town in this storm. In the morning I'll pilot you back to the highway and on to the coast." The young patrolman was very much in earnest. His eyes wandered from Mac to Josephine.

There really was no choice. Nothing ever tasted so good as the beef stew that was simmering on the back of the wood stove.

It was hard sledding next morning, getting through the drifts to the highway. But from then on it was only a matter of a few hours until they were descending the mountain.

It was after a hearty lunch together in a rustic tearoom that Jerry Boseman got up to leave them. "No, not good-by. I don't mean to let this be the end of our acquaintance. It's only the beginning," he insisted, looking at Josephine. "Here's hoping this New Year will mean a lot to you."

"New Year! Sure enough, and I forgot all about it," Josephine exclaimed. "And we are in California for it. Thanks to you, Mr. Boseman. Here's wishing you all the happiness in the world!"

"I know where that is to be found," he said, as he looked into her eyes.

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Peat Bog in Indiana Burns More Than Year

HUNTINGTON, IND.—A fire in a peat bog said to have been started by a carelessly flipped cigarette has been smoldering near here for over a year.

The blaze has gradually eaten away an area more than 50 feet long and almost as wide, and has resisted attempts to extinguish it as well as a year of heavy rains.

Early Clockmakers Made Odd and Useful Tickers

Craftsmanship among the medieval clockmakers was carried to a point which would do credit to a modern artisan. Working for cardinals and princes, they had unlimited funds and unlimited labor power to aid them in production and they set up some very creditable clocks which tell the time as well as when they first did 500 years ago.

Clocks were so rare and so useful that they were held in esteem and awe in those days. The first clock to be set up in England—in the old palace yard in 1288—had a permanent official appointed by the crown to take charge of it, says the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Medieval clocks could be very elaborate pieces of work, outliving anything to be seen in our day. To strike the hours, singing birds, crowing cocks or horn-blowing trumpeters would be ejected from special compartments. Processions of church officials and military officers, dressed in vestment or uniform complete to every detail, would be made to parade on a platform in front of the dial to announce the time of day. Bells would sound a different chime for every hour of the day.

Some of the medieval clocks were even rigged to show the movements of the stars and planets. This they did with considerable accuracy—a by no means unworthy achievement for any clockmaker anytime.

Earliest Corn Grown in Peru, Scientists Report

Corn on the cob first appeared in the damp savannahs of South America and attained its present form under cultivation by the farmers of prehistoric Peru, the National Academy of Sciences reports.

The origin of maize, or Indian corn, long has been a puzzle to botanists and archeologists. It was due to a single gene mutation from a wild form of pod-corn, in the opinion of agricultural botanists.

Maize, no longer found in a wild state, must originally have had "the two essential characteristics" of pod-corn to survive in the wilderness. These are a protection for the individual kernel and a means of dispersal of the seed.

Troubled by the total absence of wild pod-corn in Peru, the greatest center for cultivation of maize, the scientists looked long before they discovered evidence that it must have grown there in very ancient times. In the Peabody museum at Yale they found a faithful replica of a prehistoric ear of pod-corn of Peruvian workmanship.

Their conclusion was that Peru's able farmers soon cleared their maize fields of the undesirable pod-corn, which appears abundantly in Central America, where the Indians were less civilized and less careful of the purity of their crops.

Builds Nest, Hunts for Bride

The male stickleback, common in British ponds and streams, is a wonderful father but a fickle husband, observes a writer in Pearson's London Weekly. He builds a nest, similar to a bird's nest, with decaying vegetation. Then he assumes his brilliant coloring and goes in search of a bride. He brings her home and she lays her eggs in the nest. Then she gets the "order of the boot" and Mr. Stickleback brings home another bride. Then another and another until the nest is full of eggs. He then fertilizes the eggs and mounts guard over them, fanning the water with his fins to keep it circulating. When the young hatch he is still the dutiful parent and watches over them until they are strong enough to fend for themselves.

Size of the Baltic Sea

Although the Baltic sea is smaller than the greater sister sea south of the continent, it is a sizable body of water. The distance from the Skagerrak around into the head of the Gulf of Bothnia is more than 900 miles, and the main body of the sea is over 150 miles in width. It will surprise most readers to know that the shores of the Baltic are governed by the same number of governments that control all the Mediterranean, ten in each case. A curious difference between the two seas is that while the Mediterranean is more saline than the ocean outside of the Strait of Gibraltar, the Baltic is almost as fresh as a lake.

Canal Open to All Nations

Conceived by the French, the Suez canal was at first approved by Egypt, but opposed by Turkey and Britain. Finally completed by the French, it was opened in 1869. In 1875 Britain secretly bought control of the Suez company. In theory the canal is open to ships of all nations, in war as well as peace. Ownership of the canal is due to revert to Egypt in 1968, since it was built on Egyptian land.

Odd Greeting in Tibet

It takes more than a handshake to prove one's friendship in remote Tibet. In remote land the natives first receive a visitor by making him a number of bows, sticking out their tongues at him each time they rise. This ritual, however, is only a preliminary to the real greeting. As a supreme gesture of friendship, the host then offers his left ear to the visitor and indicates that he may cut it off if he so wants.

AT LONG LAST



Bang! But This Time It's The Hero Who's Taken In

EVANSTON, ILL.—"Stick 'em up." The harsh voice of the gunman crackled in the telephone receiver. "You asked for it. Now you're going to get it!" A burst of gunfire punctuated the sentence.

Hastily Warner Hoople disconnected the telephone, then called the Evanston police station. "There's a robbery and shooting in the drug store at Chicago avenue and Main street," he cried. "I just heard it over the phone." Then Mr. Hoople called a taxi to his home at 420 Keeney street in the suburb, and sped to the scene himself.

He arrived a minute after five policemen had stormed in. Sergt. Bill Johnson looked coldly at Mr. Hoople. There was no robbery. There was no shooting.

Mr. Hoople said he had telephoned to order some poker chips, and insisted he heard the robber. The explanation: Miss Margaret Loebbaka, a clerk, had laid the telephone mouthpiece down near a radio during a crime-does-not-pay radio program.

Game of Cards Is Used To Formulate Testament

LONDON.—Solicitors devised a game of cards to help a woman who could neither write nor speak to make her will. Two packs were specially prepared. One contained the titles of her properties and this the solicitor handled. The other bore the names of the woman's relatives. The game began with the solicitor laying down an "estate" card. The woman covered it with the card bearing the name of the relative she wished to inherit it, and they "turned the trick." So it went on until the property had been disposed of. The will was upheld in court.

Thief Tries Argument

YUBA CITY, CALIF.—A thief caught red-handed by a policeman should not try to run away. Instead the most modern and streamlined thing to do is to argue the policeman out of it. When such a chap here, walking out of a blacksmith shop with a collection of electric drills and welding equipment, was stopped he explained that he was employed at the shop, that he had come to work early, gave a fictitious name and automobile number, and went on his way.

Champion Eats 48 Eggs

WICKFORD, R. I.—Louis Tilling-hast claims to be Rhode Island's egg-eating champion, and to prove it he downed four dozen eggs.

SILLY QUESTION



"She is a perfect picture!" "Painted by nature or herself?"

Got Left

Fitzjones—Did you go to the theater last evening, Percy?
DeBrown—No; I attended a sleight-of-hand performance.

Fitzjones—Where?
DeBrown—I went to call on Miss Le Smythe, and offered her my hand, but she slighted it.

Nice Manners

Mama—I was glad to see you remembered not to throw the orange peel on the floor of the bus, Johnny.
Johnny—Yes, mother, I remembered what you said about being neat. I put it in the pocket of the man in the next seat.

Cat Puts Out Lights Before Taking Snooze

CLEVELAND.—Meet Teddy the cat.

Part Angora and Persian, Teddy has a few human instincts. Besides eating at the table with his owners, the cat unlatches the screen door when he wishes to go out and pulls the bedroom light cord before taking a snooze.

When hungry he rattles a can opener hung on a string.

'CANADA JACK' PAID HIGH IN ENGLAND

Feats of Strength Put Him in Higher Brackets.

LONDON.—One of the strongest men in Britain today is Martin Liisberg, better known as "Canada Jack."

He can break a six-inch nail with his bare hands in 50 seconds, and as a paver and layer of curbstones on big road schemes up and down the country, he can afford to smoke good cigars, pay \$300 a year income tax, and keep 10 men busy year in and year out handling what he calls lightweight curbstones he hasn't time to touch, because he is so busy handling the really heavy stuff.

He is believed to be the only man in the world at his particular job capable of putting into position unaided a 10½ foot long granite curbstone, weighing 100 pounds per foot.

"Canada Jack" is 5 feet 6½ inches of bone and muscles and says that the only man who ever gave him a thrashing was his father.

"And that was when I was a boy of nine in Canada, where I was born," he said.

"My father, standing over 6 feet 2 inches, was the strongest man I ever encountered. I ran away from home after he gave me a licking and, after spending years at sea in windjammers and sailing boats of all kinds, I discovered that I was capable of lifting extremely heavy weights.

"So I took on a job of setting curbstones into position on a reservoir scheme at Staines (12 miles west of London). It is a job which cannot be done by machinery, and recently I have worked on virtually every important road and building in the country.

"Now I am engaged in the construction of a big factory in Lancashire. It was during the construction of the great East Lancashire road that I laid the 10½ foot curbstone which is regarded by others as a world's record."

Tree and Fence Climbing Part of Dog's Daily Life

LOS ANGELES.—Some day they'll move that big alligator's cage six feet south in the Los Angeles 'gator farm's backyard on Mission road, and Freckles, one-year-old fox terrier, will be the most surprised dog in the state of California.

Because it's Freckles' habit to climb trees.

In climbing trees in his master's garden, Freckles has extended his unique art to scaling an eight-foot fence separating the house from the alligator farm. He has worn a pathway through a vine that covers the fence rail.

About 50 times a day, Freckles leaps lightly from tree to fence to the alligator farm.

Plop! He lands beside the cage of the largest, toughest, rip-snortin'-est 'gator in the whole establishment. That makes Freckles the only alligator-tree climbing-dog in America, his master thinks. But if the 'gator cage were six feet south, the pup would find himself right smack in the middle of it.

And Freckles ought to know better.

His master is Francis Earnest—who operates the farm!

Greek Mythology Reveals Stories of the Dogwood

Although the various dogwoods are sometimes so small that they seem hardly more than a good-sized shrub, they have been known for centuries and their legendary history reaches into Greek mythology, to the Roman empire at the time of Christ and to the folklore of early American Indian tribes. Their slender, twisted branches and unusual four-petaled flowers have seemed to call for explanation and the legends have tried to account for them, writes Paul Davey in the Washington Star.

One of the legends is to the effect that the dogwood, because of the hardness of its wood, was chosen for use in the cross at the crucifixion. The technical name of the tree is Cornus, from the Latin corna, a horn, and refers to the character of the wood. The legend runs that the dogwood was much distressed at being chosen for such a terrible purpose and that the Saviour, sensing this feeling, made to the tree this promise:

"Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used for a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted and its blossom shall be in the form of a cross—two long and two short petals and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there shall be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with blood, and the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns.

"All those who see it will remember it was on the dogwood that I was crucified and this tree shall not be mutilated or destroyed, but cherished and protected as a reminder of My agony and death upon the cross."

It is a beautiful way of explaining the peculiarities of the dogwood. History does not bear out the legendary assumption that the cross was made from the wood of the dogwood, but that does not take away from the beauty of the legend.

Greyhounds Pictured on Ancient Egyptian Stones

Earliest records of dogs include the greyhound, variations of this breed being depicted on Egyptian stones. The Afghan hound and the Saluki are forms of the greyhound, although their appearance is somewhat different. The Afghan hound is well covered with hair and the Saluki, noble in appearance, is distinguished mainly by luxuriant feathering.

England has made wide use of hounds and, although not recognized, the old hound dog is a familiar sight in America, writes Edwin McK. Johnson in the Chicago Daily News. English breeds include the Bassett, Beagle, harrier, bloodhound and whippet—each with its distinct function. With the exception of the whippet, these breeds are scent hunters. The whippet, like the greyhound, Saluki, Afghan, Borzois and Irish Wolfhound are primarily sight hunters, running down quarry by sheer speed and power rather than by tracking.

The foxhound and harrier are dogs of the chase. Beagles, too, are used in packs as are cross-bred hounds.

The Borzois (Russian wolfhound) is one of the most artistic appearing breeds, but its background reveals its original use for tearing wolves to pieces. Running in packs, these large dogs provided rare sport for the Romanoffs.

Irish wolfhounds, once near extinction, are the largest dogs of all.

Why Cats' Eyes Shine in Dark

The luminous appearance of a cat's eyes in the dark is due to the reflection of light by the tapetum lucidum, which is part of the membranous layer between the retina and the outer covering of the pupils of the eyes. This remarkable layer is distinctly differentiated from the choroid layer only in certain animals. It is the tapetum lucidum that enables members of the feline family and other nocturnal animals to see even when there is very little light. Some authorities believe this layer reflects the light rays through the retina a second time. In the domestic cat the tapetum lucidum is brilliant green or blue in color and has a metallic luster. The glare is especially noticeable when artificial light is thrown on a cat in a dark corner, or when a cat in a dark place is observed through an opening, light entering the darkness through the opening being reflected from the cat's eyes as from a mirror.

Use Much Cloth in Skirts

Tarasco Indian belles, descendants of a distinct old race that inhabits parts of Michoacan state in Mexico and is much admired by American tourists, beat the Dutch in the way of wearing skirts and petticoats. Their average every day skirt requires nine yards of cloth. With it are worn at least two and sometimes as many as five white cotton lace trimmed petticoats. Nobody has ever been able to ascertain why so much skirtage and petticoatage is worn.

Teak Tree Has Long Journey

In Burma the journey of a teak tree from forest to mill requires an incredibly long time. First the tree has to be girdled and dried, says Collier's Weekly, and then dragged to and floated down 1,200 miles of river to Rangoon, a job that has been known to take as long as 25 years.

A Few Little Smiles

AMPLE REASON

The collector was going his rounds for telephone charges, says Tit-Bits Magazine, and halting in front of one house he took a letter from his pocket and glanced over it. Then he rang the bell. The householder himself appeared.

"I understand," said the collector, "that you refuse to pay for the 152 telephone calls with which you have been charged?"

"I do."
"But, my dear sir, that's absurd. What is your complaint?"
"I haven't got a telephone!"

Very Logical

Bunger had found a new pet name for his wife. He called her "my cherub" so often that at last the lady, who was anything but an angel, became suspicious, and asked why he used that particular form of endearment.

Bunger looked uncomfortable for a moment, and then decided to put a brave face on it.

"It's like this," he said, "you never seem to have any clothes, you're always up in the air and you keep on harping."—Providence Journal.

WELL BACKED UP



"Has Mountain Lake college a big reputation?"
"I should say it has! Both O'Dodge and McFling, the great backs, are there."

Art 'Gum'

Bobby was examining grandmother's carved rose coral pin.

"Grandmother, I think your pin is lovely. It looks just exactly like chewing gum when I take it out of my mouth!" he exclaimed.—Indianapolis News.

No Doubt About It

"You ought to brace up and show your wife who's running things around your house."
"It isn't necessary. She already knows."

Quick, Get the Spray Gun

Mrs. Dasher—When we were in Egypt we visited the pyramids. Some of the stones were literally covered with hieroglyphics.

Mrs. Gusher—I hope none of them got on you. They say some of those foreign insects are terrible.

Only a Putt

Golfer—If you don't stop chattering you'll drive me clean out of my mind!

Wife—That wouldn't be a drive; it would only be a short putt!

The Correct Answer

"Well, John, will five go into one?"

"Yeth, mith!" lisped little John.

"Oh, nonsense, John; think again," said the mistress.

"Yeth, mith," again lisped John.

"Five toes go into one thocking!"

Not So Good

Elsie—Jim is a tremendously convincing talker, don't you think so?

Tessie—I did until I heard him try to talk back to a traffic cop last night.—Pathfinder Magazine.

A Miracle

Bertie—Ha! It is midnight, the moment when miracles happen.

Gertie—I think—
Bertie—There, didn't I tell you!—Pathfinder Magazine.

THE REAL PRODUCT



He—But you should know I come from a famous family; you should know my family tree.

She—And you're the sap, I suppose.

Taking No Chances

Grocer—No, sir, no checks. Why, I wouldn't cash a check for my own brother.

Customer—Well, of course you know your family better than I do.—Providence Journal.

Papa Pays

Hubby—You never tell me what you buy! Don't I get any voice in the buying?

Wife—Certainly, darling! You get the invoice.

CORRESPONDENCE

Latest Items of Local News Furnished By Our Regular Staff of Writers

We desire correspondence to reach our office on Thursday, if at all possible. It will be necessary therefore, for most letters to be mailed on Wednesday, or by Post Mail, west on W. M. R. E., Thursday morning. Letters mailed on Thursday evening may not reach us in time.

UNIONTOWN.

Dr. Harry Baughman, Philadelphia, Pa., visited Mrs. G. W. Baughman and Mrs. Harry Fogle, Thursday. Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Zollickoff, Christmas Day, were, Mr. Milton A. Zollickoff, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Devilliss and son, Lloyd, Jr., and Mrs. Carrie Bankard.

Sunday, December 25, Miss Blanche Shriner, finished 31 years of perfect attendance in Sunday School. This is a very fine record.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Devilliss had as their guests Christmas Day: Mr. and Mrs. Snader Devilliss, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Devilliss and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Halter and son, Philip Snader.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Devilliss, of Soledad, California, arrived here on Friday night, to spend an indefinite time with Mr. Devilliss' father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Snader Devilliss.

Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cookson and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Zollickoff, visited in Baltimore, Saturday. Miss Margaret Hoy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lockard, Saturday, Christmas Day Miss Hoy returned to her home in Philadelphia, with Mr. and Mrs. Lockard and daughter, Juliann.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Myers Englar were, Mr. and Mrs. Channing Rash, Easton, and Rinaldo Repp, Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robertson, B. L. Cookson and Roy Singer, attended the funeral of Edwin Cover, Easton, on Monday.

Mrs. Flora Shriner, Miss Blanche Shriner and Miss Jennie Trite, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Little and family, Hanover.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bankert, Christmas Day, were, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Young, Westminster; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Haines, Gloria and Alfred Haines, Cross Roads; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Senft and daughter, Waneta, Frieslandburg, and A. P. Bankert, Hanover.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Shirk, Taneytown, visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Zollickoff, Christmas Eve.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Myers Englar, Christmas Day, were, Mrs. Ida Englar, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Speicher, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fleagle, Mr. and Mrs. Channing Rash, Samuel and Rinado Repp and Jane and Billy Fleagle.

Miss Flo Blank, Baltimore, is spending the week with Miss Bernice Flygar.

Christmas Eve, Mrs. H. B. Fogle and Miss Miriam Fogle, entertained a few friends in honor of Mr. Fogle's birthday.

Mr. U. G. Crouse, Misses Lola Esther and Dorothy Crouse, spent Xmas Day with Misses Rebecca and May Bond, Jonnsville.

Mrs. W. G. Segafosse and Mr. W. N. Segafosse entertained to a family dinner Christmas Day. There were thirteen guests present.

Miss Mary Lee Smelser, spent several days with Dorothy Crawford, Westminster. Those who attended the wedding reception given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Horman at the home of H. G. Englar and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Englar were, Mrs. Ida Englar, Mr. and Mrs. Burrier Cookson, Mr. and Mrs. Myers Englar, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fogle, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Myers, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Speicher and Misses Miriam Fogle and Betty Englar.

Corporal and Mrs. H. H. Haines and daughter, Miss Doris Haines, entertained Mrs. J. E. Formwalt, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gagel, Mrs. Pearl McGregor and Mr. Theodore Friedman to a dinner Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haines had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Riffe, sons, Delmar and Wilson, and Mrs. P. Mummert, Taneytown, and Miss Mavis Blizzard, Westminster. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Zollickoff, entertained the Koons clan to a dinner Wednesday. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Koons, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Koons, Mrs. Rose Bohn, Mrs. Myrtle Sontz and daughters, Esther and Pauline; Mrs. Addison Koons, Mrs. John Shirk, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Shirk, Mrs. Charles Crumbacker, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cookson, Mrs. Edna Koons, Mrs. Bertha Albaugh and Miss Betty Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caylor, Finksburg, spent Christmas Day with Mr. Caylor's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Caylor and family.

Airplane Stewardesses

Come From Small Towns

CHICAGO.—Sixty-two of United Air Lines' present 140 stewardesses have home towns of under 3,000 population, according to company records. Apparently the country or small town girl who becomes a nurse, is likely to be ambitious to see the world, too, and is the pleasing, attractive, healthy and friendly type required for the exacting duties of a stewardess on a modern airliner.

Some of the towns represented on the roll include: Lapwai, Idaho; Pierz, Minn.; Celina, Ohio; Hells Canyon, Mont.; Valencia, Kan.; Brush, Colo. (the girl from this town is Alice Razor!); Petersburg, Alaska; Yoncella, Ore.; Soldier Summit, Utah; Brighton, Iowa and Tonganoxie, Kan., and Wamego, Kan.

FEESERSBURG.

Christmas—with a white mantle of snow when we awakened in the morning, a little pale sunshine at noon, then a clouded sky continuing until 3:00 P. M., on Monday when snow began to fall again, so we had a pretty white Christmas.

We were aroused by the sweet tones of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" 'neath our windows at midnight on Christmas Eve, tho' the dogs familiarity turned it into giggles, then greetings to those inside the window, and more singing in unison by carolers from Uniontown—who visited other homes in this vicinity, and their efforts much appreciated. An old English custom—but a nice one to retain.

Oh! but Santa Claus was loaded with gifts this year; plenty of toys, jewelry and fineries, plenty of perfumes, and useful appliances, beside books, musical instruments, fruit and candy, and treated everybody generously; while many beautiful cards of greeting were exchanged between friends. No there's no other season like it.

As usual some of our folks gathered in their family homes for Christmas dinner, while others entertained relatives and friends; so turkeys, geese, ducks, and chickens are considerably less in number than last week.

Among the callers at Grove Dale the past week were, Mr. and Mrs. John Barr, of Waynesboro, and their good neighbors, Mrs. Wm. Hare and daughter, Miss Margaret Louise, now a student at Mt. St. Joseph's, Emmitsburg on Wednesday; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gardner, of Blue Ridge Summit, on Friday evening; Clayton D. Beggs, of Baltimore, and H. B. Fogle and family on Sunday; Wm. Slemmer, of Frederick, and the Lowell Birely's, on Monday, with Mrs. E. Scott Koons and sister Mrs. Bertha Albaugh took dinner with the family, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmert Miller have spent the past week with his home folks at Accident, Garrett Co., Md. They've been missed at Mt. Union Church.

Rev. Kroh was in the pulpit at Mt. Union again on Sunday afternoon, and spoke well on "Christ the King." Miss Louise Birely took her place at the organ after several weeks indisposition.

The Christmas Service at Mt. Union on Thursday evening of last week was very good—but not over-crowded. Adults and children did their parts well, familiar carols were sung; a gift of money was presented to the pastor, Rev. Kroh by the Supt. of S. S.—F. P. Bohn, and after dismissal boxes of candy were distributed to all members. 112 the past season.

Some of our citizens attended the midnight service in the Catholic Church Taneytown on Christmas Eve, where there was a well filled house, and impressive service with a splendid message on "The Christ of Christmas," and fine music. Always we admire the spirit of reverence in the churches of the Catholic faith.

There were various mishaps on the icy roads last week, and on Friday our neighbor, A. J. Graham's car skidded on the hill at Bruceville when he was conveying a lot of eggs to Taneytown, and did considerable damage to car and cargo; but anybody can turn around like a flash on sleet.

Clinton Bar continues at the Maryland General Hospital, in Baltimore, where he underwent an operation on Tuesday morning; but do not yet know the cause nor effect—only his friends are hoping for his safe recovery.

Chicken-pox has come to our town at the home of Joseph Bostian, where his oldest child, June is a victim—a big disappointment for the holidays.

Ross Wilhide is butchering a number of hogs this week; and L. K. Birely will have four killed next week.

Among many good things heard on the air the past week we'll mention two: A Christmas Party underground in the North-west, where 60 miners lighted a tree—many feet beneath the surface, and all sang carols around it—"Peace on Earth, and under the Earth." Some years ago on Dec 20th, some one let down an evergreen tree as a joke, but the miners appropriated and illuminated it, and had their own party, so ever since on that date they trim a tree and have a song service. Then at the Shoreham Hotel, in Washington last Tuesday there was a children's Christmas party, when children of 24 nations gave greetings to the children of America in their native speech, then interpreted it in the English language. Could we do as well?

Another year is nearing its close; many who were here at its beginning have fallen by the way, and we must "carry on" as best we can. There were sunny days and cloudy days, sometimes storm, sometimes calm, some of joy and some of sorrow, but a faithful season and good harvests. We know not what lies ahead, but we do know the Lord will provide; so for all of you we wish—A Good New Year.

A Lap Ahead of Her
Time: 12:30 a. m.—Scene: (It's so dark in the parlor we can't tell.)
Mother (from upstairs)—Susiee! Remember what I told you—if that young man gets fresh, squelch him properly!
Susie (after a moment)—Yes, Mother. I'll sit on him!

Variety
"Your boy Josh says he's going to town to seek employment."
"Yep," answered Farmer Cornstossel, "I don't blame him. Everybody feels occasionally like gettin' away an' lookin' fur work 'stid o' stayin' where he knows it'll be waitin' for him regular."—Washington Star.

Postponed Ablution
Mother—Junior, you didn't wash your face this morning.
Efficiency Expert's Little Boy—No, mother—I heard you say we were going to have grapefruit for breakfast.

LINWOOD.

Laird Ankrum, of Ashland College, Ashland, Ohio, arrived last Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Ankrum.

Mrs. Lizzie Crebbs, of Littlestown, is visiting Mrs. Samuel Dayhoff and family.

After a two weeks visit with their daughter, Mrs. George Starr, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. DeMilt, left Christmas day for their home in New York.

Mr. Frank Wachter, Sr., of Frederick, spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Minnie Garner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dickerson entertained on Monday, the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Quessenberry, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Pfoutz, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bowman, Mr. and Mrs. Peters and daughter, Miss Helen.

Mrs. George Starr had as her Christmas Day guests Mrs. Minnie Garner, Miss Isabelle Garner and Junior Wachter.

Mrs. William Messler and Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Englar, were among the twenty-two guests entertained on Christmas Day by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Messler. This was indeed a most enjoyable occasion and a delicious dinner was served. On Monday Mrs. Messler and Mr. and Mrs. Englar were entertained in the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gatrell Smith, Hagerstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Messler and daughter, Martha, of Baltimore, were week-end guests of C. U. Messler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Brandenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brandenburg and daughter, Betty Lee, visited Carroll Brandenburg and family, of Baltimore, on Wednesday.

Due to the disagreeable night and by request the cantata entitled, "Blessed is He that Cometh," given by the young people of the Linwood Epethren Church, will be repeated this coming Sunday evening, Jan. 1, at 8:00 P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Blaxton and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Quessenberry and children, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Saubie and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Proctor Messler, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Dickerson and daughter, Miss Gladys, were Christmas Day visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Quessenberry.

To the Editor and Staff a Happy New Year.

KEYMAR.

William Six, of Youngstown, Ohio, spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Six and family, and Mrs. Mehrl Wilhide and family, spent Christmas day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wilhide and family.

Miss Oneida Dern, of Gettysburg, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Bessie D. Mehning.

Mrs. John Forrest, spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wright, of Union Bridge.

Recent visitors at the home of Mrs. Fannie Sappington and daughter, were, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Grunb and family, of Unionville; Mr. and Mrs. Artie Angell and daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth Sappington, of Hagerstown; Miss Frances Sappington, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Reuben Alexander, of Taneytown.

Mrs. Scott Koons and Mrs. Bertha Albaugh, spent Sunday with their sister and family, of Catonsville; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Angell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Otto entertained to Christmas dinner, Mrs. Elizabeth Troxell and Miss Miller, of Walkersville, and Thomas Otto, of Towson.

Mr. Arthur Koons, of Fort Meade, called on friends of this place, Tuesday.

Mrs. Donald Eyer, of Thurmont, spent Tuesday afternoon with friends of this place.

Those who spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Leakin and family were, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Grossnickle and daughter, Johnsonville; Mr. and Mrs. Truman Leakin and family of this place; Mr. Harry Welb, of near New Windsor; Miss Frances and Ellen Raives and Donald Leakin, of Ridgeville.

Miss Helen Jane Saylor, spent a few days with her friend, Miss Catharine Diehl, of Johnsonville.

Mrs. Effie Haugh, is spending some time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pinkney Hitcheson, near Woodsboro.

Wishing the Editor and Staff a Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year.

HOOPER'S DELIGHT.

Those who spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Franklin, were: Mr. and Mrs. James Franklin and family; Mr. and Mrs. A. Mundy and family; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Pickett.

Miss Ruth Stonesifer, of Westminster, is spending a few days with Miss Betty Jane Farver.

Those who visited during the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Farver and family, were, Mr. and Mrs. M. Pickett, Misses Helen and Elenore Graham, Carol Haines, Monroe Barber, Royer Graham, Harvey Shaw.

Those who visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Snyder and family, Christmas Day and in the evening were, Mr. and Mrs. Kerly Snyder and little daughter, Mary Ellen; Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Crabbs, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Farver and children, Betty Jane, Buddy and Fred; Miss Mildred Bankard, Charles Crouse and Samuel Pilson.

Well Santa was very good to all little boys and girls this Christmas. Don't think he missed a one in our section.

Mr. H. Bond and children Larue and June and Master Dock Reese and Mr. A. Bond and daughter, Dorothy, made a business trip to Baltimore, Friday night.

Mrs. Roger Stultz and son, Juntos, spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garver and family.

Mr. Buddy and Fred Farver called on their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Garver and family, Thursday evening.

Wish the staff and readers a happy New Year.

LITTLESTOWN.

Harry M. Badders, 41 Lombard St., Ashland, Ohio, arrived last Saturday to spend the Christmas holidays with the Pennsylvania railroad Company, was retired this week by the company, after completing 40 years of service. He began as a freight brakeman. He was promoted five times. On February 17, 1920 he was promoted to a regular passenger conductor.

Some of our weather prophets promise us a mild winter. So far it does not hold out, but hope that they will hit better the next two months. We will find out later.

I notice in your paper the following: No real man will ask for a favor of which he is unworthy, but most unworthy are always willing to ask anyone for a favor.

Frank Howk, son of William Howk, Harney, is visiting at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Mary Brown. Mr. Howk, who is in the air service of the U. S. Army. He will go to Florida where he will be stationed.

Over six hundred children were guests of the Chamber of Commerce, on Saturday afternoon.

The birth of the Christ was effectively told in sermon, songs, pantomime and drama in all the churches.

Henry M. Huff, aged 74 years, a plasterer, died at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, William Messinger, South Queen St., Friday evening. The deceased who had been in his usual health suffered a stroke Friday morning. Surviving are a daughter, three sisters and one brother. Funeral was held Monday afternoon at Christ Church. His pastor, Rev. Dr. H. H. Hartman, officiated. Burial was made in church cemetery.

A friend of Mrs. Kate (Bankert) Bowman, found her lifeless body in the attic on Saturday dinner, on S. Queen St, where she lived alone. Dr. Edgar Miller, Coroner was called and issued the death certificate, saying the aged woman had died by her own hand by hanging. She was a patient in the Gettysburg Hospital for a week having been discharged a week ago. Surviving are two brothers. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at the home. Her pastor Rev. D. S. Krammer, officiated. Interment was made in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

NEW WINDSOR.

Miss Connie Slack entertained a number of her friends at her home on Tuesday evening.

Miss Anna Krimm, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end here with Miss Marianna Snader.

Mrs. Margaret Waters spent the week-end in Baltimore.

Mrs. M. D. Reid, spent the week-end at Thurmont with her son.

H. C. Roop and family entertained her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Twisden, of Gettysburg, Pa., and Charles Hockensmith and wife, Taneytown to dinner on Christmas day.

Dean, Roscoe Slack, of Blue Ridge College, while out horseback riding on Sunday evening, his horse slipped and he was thrown under the horse and broke his knee cap.

Mrs. R. Smith Snader and daughter, Miss Margaret Snader gave a tea on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her sister-in-law, who recently returned here from Baltimore.

Miss Elizabeth Buckley entertained four tables of Bridge at her home, on Tuesday afternoon.

Paul Buckley and wife entertained the Rev. Nevin Smith and wife, of Westminster to dinner, on Saturday last.

Mrs. Roy Lowman and children, of Brownsville, are visiting at Vernon Lowman's.

Mrs. Maude Collins, Parkton, Md., who has been visiting here left for her home on Saturday last.

The public schools will open on Jan. 3rd.

MARRIED

STONESIFER—GREEN.

A six-year romance culminated last Friday evening with the marriage of Roland E. Stonesifer, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Stonesifer, of Union Bridge and Miss Anna Marguerite Green, daughter of Judge Lewis E. Green and the late Mrs. Green, New Windsor, last Friday evening at the residence of the officiating minister, Rev. Clyde Morningstar, in Marston.

The groom has been an employee of the Leigh Cement Co., the past thirteen years, while the bride has been employed in Westminster the past six years.

The couple went to housekeeping immediately in their newly furnished apartment, corner of West Broadway and Whyte Street, Union Bridge.

THOMAN—FROCK.

On Saturday, Dec. 24, at 5:45 P. M., Paul Thoman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Thoman, 210 W. Walnut St., Hanover, Pa., and Lavina C. Frock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Frock, were united in marriage with the ring ceremony of the Reformed Church at the Reformed Parsonage, Manchester, Md., by the bride's pastor, Rev. Dr. John S. Hollenbach. They will reside at the home of the bride's parents. The bride is a graduate of the Manchester High School class of 1935.

STUDY—DEVILBISS.

On Monday evening at six o'clock, Rev. Guy P. Bready united in marriage Mr. Joseph Elvin Study, son of Mr. Joseph Study, and Miss Bernice Diehl Devilbiss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Devilbiss, at the parsonage of the Reformed Church in Taneytown. Both Mr. and Mrs. Study are active in the work of Grace Reformed Church. Mr. Study holds the office of Deacon in the congregation, and Mrs. Study is an officer of the Christian Endeavor Society.

ANDERS—BAKER.

Mr. Charles A. Anders, son of Mr. Harry Anders of the vicinity of Taneytown, and Miss Mildred Baker, daughter of Mrs. Albert Baker, Taneytown, were united in marriage at six o'clock on Saturday evening, Dec. 24, by Rev. Guy P. Bready at the parsonage of the Reformed church.

COMMUNITY LOCALS.

(Continued from First Page.)
Mrs. Ida Young, spent from Saturday until Monday, with her sister, Mrs. Mollie Morris, Baltimore.

Mrs. Emma Shoemaker, of Hanover, spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. George Newcomer.

Miss Abbie Fogle left last Saturday, for Baltimore, to spend a week with her nephew, George Garner and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Garner and sons, spent Christmas day with her sisters and brother and their families in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Stonesifer, spent Christmas Day with Mrs. Stonesifer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wheatley, of Eldorado.

Messrs M. C. Fuss, David Smith, Curtis G. Bowers, Bernard Arnold and Walter A. Bower, spent Wednesday in Baltimore.

Miss Josephine Smith, of New York City, is spending the Christmas holidays with her father, Joseph B. Smith and family, near town.

Miss M. Amelia Annan was taken to the Garfield Hospital, Washington, D. C., on Sunday morning and operated on for appendicitis. She is getting along very nicely.

Miss Nellie Mae Smith, R. N., of Baltimore, and Fred Smith, of Woodbine, Pa., spent Monday and Tuesday at the home of their father, Mr. J. B. Smith and family, near town.

Mrs. Mary Wilt entertained to dinner on Christmas Day: Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reindollar, Miss Mabel Leister, Mr. and Mrs. John Leister, Mr. and Mrs. James Baumgardner and son, George, of Charles Town, W. Va.

Mrs. John E. Byers and Miss Thelma Reynolds, returned home on Monday evening, after spending the week-end in Baltimore. Mrs. Byers visiting her niece, Mrs. Charles Smith and Miss Reynolds visiting her parents.

Dr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mehning and two children, Betty and Jimmy, of Silver Springs, Md., spent from Saturday until Tuesday, with Mrs. Chas. Boston and son, Alton—Miss Helen Boston, of Baltimore, spent Saturday evening at the same place.

Druggist Robert S. McKinney received a bad fall, Thursday of last week, tearing a ligament in one leg, and is now getting around by the use of crutches.

The Rev. Arthur Garvin, pastor of the Taneytown United Brethren Charge, will conduct the 9 o'clock morning devotions over Station WFMD, Frederick, on Monday, Jan. 2nd. Music will be furnished by a male quartet from the Taneytown Church.

Mr. and Mrs. John Troxell and daughter, Elizabeth of Emmitsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Troxell and daughter, Anna Lee, of Rocky Ridge, and Miss Naomi Harbaugh, of Emmitsburg, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Dern, on Tuesday.

All pupils in Otterdale School made perfect attendance during the month of December. They are: Betty Speak, Maynard Barnhart, Elwood Stonesifer, Junior Fox, Marvin Hoy, Martha Hoy, Betty Jane Foreman, Betty Mae Coe, Latrice Coe, Martin Smith, Kenneth Arnold, and Calvin Hoy. The attendance 100%.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Witherow, of Harrisburg, Pa.; Miss Grace Witherow, of Washington, D. C.; Miss Minnie Allison and Mr. and Mrs. William H. Carter, of town, were dinner guests of Mrs. J. W. Witherow, on Christmas day. Mrs. Charles Witherow and son, William, of Washington, D. C., spent Monday at the same place.

The following were entertained at a Christmas dinner, on Sunday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Welty, near town: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wanz, Littlestown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Welty, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Welty, of town; Mr. Howard Welty and friend, Miss Olive Simpson, near town; Dr. M. J. Welty and friend, Miss Mary Shry, of near town.

Edward Reid entertained the Taneytown Dramatic Club with a Christmas party at his home on Wednesday evening, December 28th. Those present were, Mrs. M. E. Reid, Edward Reid, Mrs. James Lord, Ruth Stambaugh, Freda Stambaugh, Mary Shriver, Rose Beall, William Waltz, and Murray Roop. The evening was spent playing games which were enjoyed by all. Light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Fair and son, James, entertained during the week: Mr. Frank Currens, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Currens, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Derr, of near Barlow, Pa.; Miss Pauline Smith, of town; Mr. and Mrs. John Fox and son, Joe, of Gettysburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Geary Bower, and two sons, Robert and Herbert; Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Staley and two sons, Francis and Curtis; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Bowers and daughter, Betty, of near town, and Letitia Smith, of town.

On Sunday evening, at 6:30 P. M., at the regular meeting of the Reformed Christian Endeavor Society, the installation of the officers for the new year will be held. The officers for 1939 which were elected by the Society two weeks ago are as follows: President, Edward Reid; Vice-President, Margaret Shreeve; Rec. Sec'y, Bernice Devilbiss; Cor. Sec'y, Reba Waltz; Treas., Mrs. Carrie Beall. The Pastoral Consoler of the Carroll County Union, Rev. Ainsworth, will be present as guest speaker. Rev. Guy P. Bready, pastor of the Reformed Church, will install the new officers.

Miss Nell Hess, Baltimore, spent from Friday until Wednesday with her home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lord, of New York City, is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. James Lord, Jr., near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Arnold and family, entertained on Monday, the following persons: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. J. Strecker, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wiedeck and daughter, Reta, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert M. Coshour, all of Baltimore.

CARD OF THANKS.

I desire to express my sincere thanks for the many kind expressions in letters, cards, fruit, flowers, and so many good things to eat, during my two months shut in.

MRS. GEO. OVERHOLTZER.

CARD OF THANKS.

It is a great pleasure for me to extend my sincere thanks and best wishes to all my dear friends and relatives who so faithfully remembered me with correspondence, fruit and visits during my stay at the University Hospital, Baltimore.

ROBERT L. ZENT, Keymar.

Rural Officers Rival City Cops

Records Filled With Tales Of Heroism in Pursuit Of Criminals.

CHICAGO.—Though lacking the glamour surrounding their big city brethren, small town law enforcement officials are usually as competent when it comes to apprehending criminals. Police records are filled with tales of heroism in which village constables and civilian possees have brought desperadoes to bay.

One outstanding case has been reported from Albia, Iowa, where Sheriff John Goodwin of Monroe county received a crudely scribbled note reading: "Four rats from Chicago are going to knock over the Smokey Hollow mine payroll on April 11. Signed: A Friend."

Immediately Sheriff Goodwin gathered a posse of 12 leading Albia citizens, all good shots. Early on the appointed morning they prepared a blockade. One man was posted in a filling station, others hid behind trees or in ditches near the spot where the payroll car would likely be stopped. As predicted, the four gangsters arrived dressed as farmers, awaiting the kill.

Desperadoes Trapped.

The sheriff's plan worked to perfection. When the payroll car was halted, a blockade of trucks appeared from nowhere and the desperadoes found themselves surrounded by bristling machine guns and rifles. Sheriff Goodwin's accomplishment was later dramatized over the "Public Hero Number One" radio program, which specializes in publicizing the exploits of small town police officials.

Another example is the case of Convict Wilfred Lindsey, whose good behavior at Louisiana state penitentiary won him a trusty assignment as houseboy for the camp captain's home. But Lindsey was an incorrigible criminal. He planned a fiendish escape and one morning murdered the captain's wife with a butcher knife. Since the captain's car was essential to his scheme, Lindsey waited for the official to return, then shot him and fled.

Turns Gun on Self.

For five days 150 men under Sheriff Teddy Martin and Warden Louis Jones scoured the Tunica hills, finally locating Lindsey atop a high cliff. While the posse waited breathlessly below, Sheriff Martin and Sergeant Ellis Haydon risked their lives climbing the cliff while the mad Lindsey fired on them from above. Cornered, he turned his gun on himself.

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THREE HEIFER CALVES for sale at George Martell farm, near Taneytown, on Uniontown road.

FOUND.—Man's Glove. Owner can get same by paying cost of this advertisement at Record Office.

COMMERCIAL MILK COOLER. Have taken the agency for this cooler. Call and see it in operation.—Mervin E. Wantz. 12-30-2t

NOTICE.—I have decided to retire from barbering, I thank my good and loyal friends and the public for their loyal support, and hope you will continue with my successor, Kenneth Gilds. I thank you.—W. E. Burke.

FOR SALE.—Heavy Duty Swing Table Saw Frame, new, well built, seasoned oak, at reduced price.—O. T. Shoemaker. 12-30-3t

FOR SALE.—Some good used manure Spreaders, also new Spreaders, at all times.—M. E. Wantz, Taneytown. 12-30-2t

NOTICE.—I will continue my father's business of Broom Making. I am located near Stumptown, about one mile east of Taneytown. I also have Brooms on sale at all times. When farm work begins about the middle of March, shop will be closed.—John Sowers. 12-23-2t

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of The Union Cemetery Association of Keyville, Inc., will be held Jan. 2, 1939, at 1:00 o'clock in the Reformed Church at Keyville, to elect officers and transact other business.—C. R. Cluts, Sec.-Treas. 12-23-2t

AUCTIONEERING — Real Estate and Personal Property, by—H. E. Bowers, Taneytown R. D. No. 1. 12-9-4t

FOR SALE OR RENT.—Farm with good buildings and fences, and along a hard road. For information apply to—C. H. Long, Taneytown, Md. 12-2-tf

YOUR RADIO should be in good shape for the best season of the year. For best service, see—Paul E. Kooz, Taneytown, Md. 9-30-tf

SHOE AND HARNESS Repairing until further notice. Terms Cash.—Harry E. Reck, near Taneytown. 11-11-8t

50 USED PIANOS—\$19.00 up. All tuned, Adjusted. Guaranteed. New Pianos \$95.00. Easy Terms.—Cramer's Palace Music, Frederick. 7-29-23t

WANTED.—On Tuesday of each week, 1 load of Calves.—J. J. Garner, Taneytown. 7-29-tf

PLANING MILL.—All kinds of Wood Work; Repairing of Furniture.—C. Moul & Co., Inc., 218-220 Chestnut St., Hanover, Pa. 5-20-tf

TRY THIS Column for your needs, both for selling and buying. It brings customers and makes sales. Good business men make use of it. Many readers examine it. 1-14-tf

SEND OR HAND IN DATES of your Public Sale, for Sale Register. Do not depend on an Auctioneer to do this.

Amish Vote First Time; Save 'Red Schoolhouse'

BERNE, IND. — Approximately 100 members of the Old Amish church of Adams county voted for the first time in Berne and Monroe townships recently, and thereby prolonged the days of the "little red schoolhouse." A proposal to consolidate schools of the township and the town of Berne was defeated.

The Amish church forbids members to take part in politics or in any election. However, when the school proposal arose this fall many of them registered so they could voice their objections. They object to sending their children to consolidated or high schools.

Diamond-Studded Smile Sparkles for 23 Years

HUDSON, N. Y.—Jeremiah Ryan, retired restaurant proprietor, has a real diamond-studded smile. Years ago Ryan had three diamonds in a gold setting placed in his upper teeth and four in the lower. Today, dentists say the teeth and stones are as solid as when they were set in 1915.

Asked why he had the diamonds placed in his teeth, Ryan explained: "It was something I always wanted to do. In 1915 my customers wore diamonds on their fingers and in stickpins, so I decided to be different."

These Freshmen Look at Gift Fountain in Mouth

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CALIF.—Explosive freshmen of Stanford university called for a "dynamite fund" to dispose of an unwelcome drinking fountain, gift of alumni.

They called the \$2,500 fountain a concrete mushroom and said it looked like a "combination Roman bath and half an orange peeling."

"Stanford's cherished soil has been desecrated by a monstrosity in concrete," said a letter to the Stanford Daily.

CHURCH NOTICES.

This column is for the free use of all churches, for a brief announcement of services. Please do not elaborate. It is always understood that the public is invited to services.

St. Mary's Reformed Church, Silver Run—Sunday School, at 9:00 A. M.; Morning Worship, at 10:30 A. M.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30; Worship, at 7:30 P. M.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Taneytown—Sunday School, at 9:00 A. M.; Holy Communion, 10:00 A. M.; Union Service in the Reformed Church, at 7:30 P. M.; Preparatory Service this Friday evening, at 7:30.

Manchester Ref. Charge, Rev. Dr. John S. Hollenbach, pastor. Manchester—S. S., 9:15; Holy Communion, at 10:15; C. E., 6:45; Worship, at 7:30. Worship in observance of Union Week of Prayer all week at 7:00 P. M. Catechise, Saturday, at 1:45 P. M. Lineboro—Worship, at 1:00; S. S., at 2:00; Catechise at Church, Saturday, at 10:00 A. M. Snodysburg—S. S., at 1:15; Worship, at 2:15.

Tom's Creek M. E. Church, Rev. Crist, Pastor—Sunday School, at 9:00 A. M.; Church Services, at 10:00 A. M.

Reformed Church, Taneytown.—S. School, at 9:15 A. M.; Morning Worship, at 10:15. Immediately after the morning worship, the annual congregational meeting and election of elders and deacons will be held. Christian Endeavor (Senior and Junior), at 6:30. Installation of officers. Short address by Rev. W. E. Ainsworth; Union Service, at 7:30. Sermon by Rev. Irvin N. Morris. Watch Night Service, Saturday evening, December 31, at 11 o'clock in the Sunday School room, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society. Rev. Miles S. Reifsnnyder, speaker.

Piney Creek Presbyterian Church—Morning Worship, at 9:30. Sermon, "The Finished Course." Sunday School at 10:30.

Taneytown Church—Sunday School, at 10:00 A. M.; Union evening Service at the Reformed Church, at 7:30 P. M.

Church of God, Uniontown Circuit, Rev. John H. Hoch, pastor. Uniontown—Sunday School, 9:30 A. M. Mr. Jesse P. Garner, Supt. Preaching Service, 10:30 A. M. Theme: "The Year of Jubilee." The Week of Prayer service in the Lutheran Church, at 7:30 P. M. Union choir with John D. Young, leader.

Wakefield—Sunday School, 10:00 A. M. Mr. James Staub, Supt. The special Christmas Service that was given on Monday night, Dec. 26, will be repeated on Sunday night, January 1st., at 7:30 P. M.

Frizzellburg—Sunday School, 1:30 P. M. Mr. Marshall Mason, Supt. Preaching Service, at 2:30 P. M. Theme: "The Year of Jubilee."

The Union Bridge Lutheran Parish, Keyville Church—S. S., 9:30 A. M.; Worship Service and Holy Communion, 10:30 A. M.; C. E. Society, 7:00 P. M.

Mt. Tabor Church—Worship Service, 9:30 A. M.; S. S., 10:00 A. M. P. H. Williams, pastor.

Uniontown Lutheran Charge, M. L. Kroh, pastor. St. Paul—S. S., at 9:30 A. M.; Divine Worship, 10:30 A. M.

Baust—S. S., 1:30 P. M.; Divine Worship, 2:30 P. M.

Winters—S. S., 10:00 A. M.

Mt. Union—S. S., at 9:15 A. M.; C. E., 10:30 A. M.

The annual Week of Prayer Service will begin in the Lutheran Church, Sunday evening, 7:30 P. M. The Rev. Harry Hagar will preach.

Welsh Heroism in Quarry Wins the 'Workers' V. C.'

LONDON.—The heroism of two Welsh quarrymen has been revealed by the award of the Edward medal—"the workers' V. C."—by King George to William Williams and Ben Litter Jones.

At the Llysfaen quarry in Carnarvonshire these two men stood by a trapped comrade even though they knew that six charges next to them were timed to explode in 80 seconds. Announcing the award, the London Gazette gave the following description:

"Blasting was about to take place and six fuses had been lighted when a man named Roberts trod on a stone which tipped and trapped his foot. Williams and Jones tried to release Roberts and failed. Williams shouted to the others to pull out the fuses and pulled out four himself."

Jones pulled out the fifth fuse and Roberts the sixth. Had any of the detonations exploded all three men would have been blown to bits.

New Insect Is Created By College Scientist

PALO ALTO, CALIF.—A winged chrysalis, a new insect, half chrysalis and half butterfly, has been "created" here by science. It arises from the discovery of what causes the summer miracle of metamorphosis of caterpillars into butterflies.

The discovery was made by Dietrich Bodenstien, a research assistant in the school of biology of Stanford university.

The cause is a chemical in the chrysalis' head. The chemical acts like a hormone and ductless gland secretions.

The metamorphosis chemical may be hormone, enzyme or "a nervous stimulus." It travels through the chrysalis' skin. By cutting off circulation in the skin at the back of the chrysalis' head, Bodenstien prevents the body from changing into a butterfly.

Head and shoulders become the head and winged shoulders of a butterfly.

Blacksmith at 89 Carries On

Spends 80 Years Over Anvil And Still Is Active at His Trade.

OLMSTED FALLS, OHIO.—August von Brause, stalwart, 89-year-old blacksmith who has spent 80 years over the anvil, is one of the leading citizens of this northern Ohio community because he speaks six languages fluently and fashions horseshoes that the best thoroughbreds wear.

Eighty years ago, in a drowsy old German hamlet, nine-year-old August poked his nose into a blacksmith shop, picked up a hammer and startled the village smith as he struck the anvil.

"I want to be a blacksmith," he shouted.

And that's how he became a blacksmith. Today he is Ohio's oldest blacksmith, working every day in his little white shop and house here that he built with his own rugged hands 37 years ago.

Everyone in the countryside knows the big-muscled, gray-haired man of the forge and anvil, whose horseshoes are shipped to all parts of America to be tacked to the speeding hoofs of thoroughbreds.

Roamed Over Europe.

But the slightly stooped blacksmith also is noted among his neighbors for his linguistic feats which he learned as a youth when he wandered over Europe, learning to speak the language of each country he visited—England, Germany, France, Russia, Poland and Slovakia.

He was born in a tiny German village. At 15, after swinging a smith's hammer for six years, he had learned to shoe oxen.

During his wanderings, he stayed in Russia until a dispute arose over his papers.

"I didn't have any," he said, "because I had just walked into the country."

He started back, landing finally in France. With the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war in 1870, Von Brause enlisted in the German army and served one year.

Nine years later he set out for America. He left his wife and children in Germany and came to Cleveland. He worked there several years, finally taking out citizenship papers and sending for his family.

Does Good Business.

In 1901 he moved to Olmsted Falls, built his shop and home and has been doing a good business. He owns thousands of iron tools—hammers, tongs and all sorts of gadgets—which he made himself.

He used to make heavy shoes for farm horses, but since the modern tractor has pushed the horse into pasture, he now devotes most of his time to fashioning fine, light shoes for racing horses.

Von Brause lives alone in his little white house, with only his dog for company. Three children in Cleveland and one in Louisville, Ky., visit him frequently.

Strong and healthy, he is proud of his title of Ohio's oldest blacksmith.

"I eat anything," he said, "and after I've worked hard all day, I turn in and read anything—but I'll have to admit that I need my glasses to read."

As for present-day Germany, Von Brause said:

"The old Germany is gone. Things have changed and it isn't the same." But his anvil, forge and his flourishing trade—"Well, that's just the same as it always was to me," he said.

Gravel Pits in Indiana Yield Bones of Mastodons

TERRE HAUTE, IND.—Gravel pits near here are becoming a valuable source of important geological information, according to Dr. Robert Karpinski, Indiana State Teachers college geologist.

He is directing excavation work in the city gravel pit where workers uncovered a hip joint of a prehistoric elephant. Dr. Karpinski said the elephant may have been a mastodon, hairy mammoth or a Columbian elephant which trod southern Indiana 20,000 to 50,000 years ago. He expects to make positive identification when more bones are uncovered.

Several months ago a group of small boys discovered what Dr. Karpinski identified as a mastodon tusk, measuring 12 feet in length.

Pastor Weds 2,999

QUINCY, ILL.—Dr. J. J. Tisdall, pastor of the First Christian church here, has performed 2,999 marriage ceremonies in the last 44 years.

Gold Mining Pays Students' Tuition

BUTTE, MONT.—To make enough money during the summer to attend the Montana School of Mines, Max Rudin, of Costa Rica; Ralph Robideau, of Portland, Ore.; George Johnson, of Kevin; and Jerry Jarrard, of Spokane, leased an old gold mine.

They extracted 200 tons of ore, which assayed from \$40 to \$70 a ton, the royalties from which enabled them to continue their mining courses.

Former Home of King Seeks Tenant

Birthplace of Duke of Windsor Rich in Tradition.

LONDON.—The birthplace of the duke of Windsor and home of British royalty for 200 years is for rent.

The White Lodge, Richmond, where Lord Lee of Fareham and his American-born wife entertained friends from the United States for the last 11 years, the girlhood home of Queen Mary, and to which the then duke of York, now king, took his bride, is on the market at a "reduced rent."

But any prospective purchaser of the lease must be prepared to pay at least \$12,500 a year in rent, rates and taxes, for although White Lodge is a royal residence and one of the three "grace and favor" residences within Richmond Park, the tenancy of which is the king's gift, this privilege ceased when Lord Lee took over the tenancy 11 years ago.

The king and queen, then duke and duchess of York, lived in the house immediately before Lord and Lady Lee took possession.

A rambling old house with few modern conveniences, the White Lodge was also the home of Queen Victoria and Edward VII. There are 20 bedrooms, nine bathrooms and five and a half acres of what the house agent describes as "established and well stocked garden."

Lord Lee, who gave Chequers to the nation as the prime minister's country house in October, 1920, is moving to his country home at Avening, Gloucestershire, for his health.

He has numerous links with the United States. He married Ruth Moore, elder daughter of the late John Godfrey Moore of New York, in 1899.

Sage Brush Oil Seen as Basis for New Industry

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.—Sage brush, which carpets millions of acres of waste lands in the West, may become the basis of a widespread industry, as the results of experiments being conducted by a college professor and a plumber.

A crude open-air laboratory has been set up near Holladay, Utah, by Dr. Corliss R. Kinney, associate professor of chemistry at the University of Utah, and A. J. Bird, university plumber. There, in four years of experimentation, they have perfected methods of distilling sage brush blooms and leaves into an essential oil composed of camphor, eucalyptol, pinene and turpentine.

The principal drawback to profitable commercial exploitation of sage brush, Dr. Kinney said, is in harvesting. At present it is necessary for men to go out with banana knives and cut the tops by hand. He is studying the possibility of developing a mechanical cutter, somewhat similar to a sugar beet topper.

The oil extracted from the brush can be used, Dr. Kinney said, as the base for perfumes, cosmetics, medicines and a score of other products.

"Farmers living on marginal lands of the West are hard pressed," he explained. "Distilling the oil could be a home industry for western homesteaders. With very little equipment the oil could be distilled at home and the farmers could make badly needed extra money."

Vienna Scholar Is Happy To Study at Oklahoma U.

NORMAN, OKLA.—The turn of events in Europe made Dr. Lilly Lorentz happy that she left Vienna to come to the United States.

Dr. Lorentz landed in the United States with \$5 and a year's scholarship at the University of Oklahoma.

The daughter of a Sudeten-German soldier who died before the World war, Dr. Lorentz was reared and educated in Vienna, and at the end of four years' study at the University of Vienna she received a doctor's degree in chemical physics.

Four years after her graduation she worked in the Vienna movie industry, although she received no pay.

Dr. Lorentz has a year's research fellowship in physics at the university here where she will work with Dr. J. Rud Nielsen in the field of "Raman spectra," continuing a study begun in Vienna.

Although her plans beyond the year are indefinite, she will remain in the United States, she said. She will be a candidate for a doctor's degree in physics from the university here in June.

Trained Gorilla Takes His Life in Stride Now

CINCINNATI, OHIO.—Susie, the only trained gorilla in captivity, now seems to be taking a philosophic attitude toward life at Cincinnati's famous zoo.

Evidence of her emotional maturity was witnessed when Bill Dressman, her trainer and constant companion, took a week's vacation.

In the past Susie refused to eat while Dressman was not present to act as waiter. This time, however, she devoured her daily rations with gusto although she was a bit wistful.

Medical Marvel Dead

LONDON.—A man who amazed the medical world by marrying for the second time at the age of 70 and then having five children has died at Fareham, Hampshire, at the age of 90.

Doctors Make New Stomachs

Small Part of Organ Made To Grow; Advance in Treating Ulcers.

NEW YORK.—New stomachs created by surgery were described to the American College of Surgeons, who met here recently. Their creation follows discovery that if even a little bit of a stomach remains it can be spliced to an intestinal organ that will grow like a new room added to a house, to replace some of the lost area.

"About a nickel's worth of stomach is all that may be needed," it was stated.

A "nickel's worth" is one-fifth to one-sixth of a normal stomach. It is so little that at first the patient may be unable to hold even a small meal at ordinary eating pace.

Desperate Operation.

How these new methods have been discovered as the result of desperate operations to save life when stomachs were found far gone from ulcer or cancer was told by several surgeons.

Dr. Hans Finsterer of Vienna, one of the foremost ulcer surgeons in the world, reported it is sometimes better to throw away most of the stomach rather than try to save all.

He criticized a standard stomach ulcer operation, gastroenterostomy, as a cause of still more dangerous ulcers. This operation makes an opening in the bottom of the stomach, to detour around an ulcer situated at the exit.

High Rate of Cures.

Doctor Finsterer said that by removing two-thirds of the stomach he has effected 95 per cent of cures, a figure much higher than that achieved through the more conservative operation.

To complete the one-third stomach left, Doctor Finsterer fastens to it one of the canals of the upper intestine, the jejunum, and they unite.

Another surgeon told of a man who ate as much as his stomach would hold the day after about five-sixths of it had been removed. This man recovered as quickly as from an appendix operation.

Warning that inhaling tobacco smoke may lead to cancer of the lungs was issued in a report by Dr. Alton Oschner and Dr. Michael Debaquey of Tulane university school of medicine.

Strategy

Peebles—Didn't I see your wife arrive home yesterday? I thought she had gone for good.

Jeebles—Yes, she said she had; but I sent her a copy of the local newspaper with one item cut out.

Observing

"Pat, have you anything to say before I spring the trap?" asked the sheriff.

"Yes, begorrah, Oi do," replied Pat stepping gingerly on a loose plank. "This thing don't look safe to me."

Fair Enough

First Golfer—Confound it, sir, you nearly hit my wife.

Second Golfer—Did I? Well, have a shot at mine.

Push and Pull

Teacher—Johnny, what is velocity?

Johnny—Velocity is what a fellow lets go of a bee with.

	RAJAH SYRUP, quart 29c
	SUNNYFIELD PANCAKE FLOUR, pkg. 5c
	SUGAR, 10 lbs. 47c
	FANCY CREAMERY BUTTER, lb. 30c
	LARD, 2 lbs. 19c
	SUNNYFIELD FLOUR, 24-lb. bag 65c
	HIGH ROCK or GOSMAN'S BEVERAGES, 3 quart bottles contents 25c—Plus Deposit
	PINK SALMON, can 10c
	SULTANA RED SALMON, can 19c
	BRILLO SOAP PADS, 2 for 17c
	KIRKMAN'S SOAP, 4 cakes 17c
	LANG'S PICKLES, Assorted, jar 10c
	EAGLE BRAND CONDENSED MILK, can 19c
	STUFFED OLIVES, 2-oz. bottle 10c
	ANN PAGE KETCHUP, 2 14-oz. bottles 21c
	ANN PAGE BAKED BEANS, can 5c
	ANN PAGE SPAGHETTI, 4 cans 25c
	ANN PAGE PEANUT BUTTER, 1-lb. jar 15c
	MELLOW WHEAT, pkg. 19c
	NECTAR ORANGE PEKOE TEA, ¼-lb. pkg. 15c; ½-lb. pkg. 29c
	STORE CLOSED ALL DAY MONDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 1939
	String Beans, 2 lbs. 17c Cabbage, 2c lb. Celery, Stalk, 2 for 15c, Heart, 10c Grapes, 2 lbs. 23c Grapefruit, 30c doz. Lettuce, 8c head Onions, 3 lbs. 10c Oranges, 20 for 25c Maine Potatoes, 15-lb. pk. 27c Spinach, 2 lbs. 15c Tangerines, 20 for 25c

Smiling Youth Has Had 44 Operations

Bone Disease Develops From Slight Bruise.

MILWAUKEE.—The morning sun shines brightly through the east windows of Milwaukee County General hospital, but the most cheerful corner of the room is the one occupied by Eugene Bonin, 18, smiling veteran of 44 operations.

Eugene has been lying in that bed for almost three years. He may never leave it.

It was in the spring of 1935 that Eugene's troubles began, the motherless boy and his father, Michael, believe. Eugene was a member of the high school track team. While jumping the hurdles at practice one day he fell, bruising and scratching his leg.

Soon after the fall it was discovered he was suffering from an abscess in the bone. Doctors operated, but the disease spread. Doctors diagnosed it as osteomyelitis, a disease which slowly devours the bones.

Since then his life has been a series of operations and blood transfusions. Doctors attending him at the hospital have lost count of the blood transfusions, they have been so numerous.

When his strength permits, Eugene sits up in the bed and uses a razor blade to build model airplanes and trains. His model locomotives have traced the development of the railroad industry from the earliest "one-horse" types to the ultramodern streamliners.

His father knows that hoping for the day when Eugene will walk again is almost futile. But he goes on believing that perhaps some day something will happen to turn the tide of ill fortune.

Doctors experimented with guinea pigs, believing that perhaps they could find some solution to the ailment. Thus far they have not been successful. Almost every bone specialist in the city has examined Eugene, his doctors said. None has been able to offer any assistance, however. Eugene himself attempts to minimize the difficulty he experiences through the affliction.

"Aw, they aren't so bad," he says when he tells of his many operations. "Some of them were just little ones."

Australian Says His Dog Has Human Intelligence

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA.—Australia claims to have a dog with human intelligence.

The dog is Beau Rex, an Alsatian, belonging to Jim Murphy, a miner and prospector of Edmonton, North Queensland.

Beau Rex, his owner claims, can carry two rifles and 50 rounds of ammunition; a miner's pick and shovel and 30 pounds of stores; two sets of golf clubs and 30 balls; first aid kit weighing 40 pounds; six umbrellas and hold a seventh one in his mouth; also retrieve any hidden object over a distance of two miles, day or night; find a buried object over the same distance and return with it after following a two-mile trail through heavy traffic, around corners, over fences and through shops and houses; fetch anything up to 40 pounds in weight from the water on cry of "Help."

Also run out 100 yards of field telephone wire on a spindle strapped to his back; arrest any person by right wrist on command; guard any object placed in his keeping.

These, says Murphy, are just "a few" of the things Rex can do.

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Taneytown Fire Company, meets on the 2nd Monday each month, at 7:30, in the Firemen's Building, James C. Myers, Pres.; J. P. Burke, Sec'y; T. H. Tracey, Treas.; Raymond Davidson, Chief.

All other Fraternities and organizations are invited to use this directory, for the public information it carries. Cost for one year, only \$1.50.

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MAILS CLOSE
Star Route, Hanover, North 9:00 A. M.
Train, Frederick, South 9:10 A. M.
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Star Route No. 10705, North 4:30 P. M.
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Train, Frederick, South 2:30 P. M.
Star Route No. 10705, North 6:30 P. M.
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Holidays for Rural Carriers are, New Year's Day; Washington's birthday; Memorial Day, May 30; July 4; Labor Day, 1st Monday in Sept.; Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas. When a holiday falls on Sunday the following Monday is observed.

Viola Came Into Use in The Fifteenth Century

Older than the violin, the viola family came into existence in the Fifteenth century. However, it passed out of general use almost 300 years later. The viola differed from the violin by having deeper ribs and a flat back, which sloped at the top. Its shoulders curved upward, thus joining the neck at a tangent, instead of at right angles. The "chest of viols" contained three sizes—bass (viola da gamba), tenor (viola da braccio) and the treble. To this group must be added subsidiary types—the double-bass viol, viola bastarda (baritone) and the viola d'amore.

Our modern viola developed from the viola da braccio, and, as the Italian name implies, was held by the arm. It had six strings, but in the Eighteenth century the lowest was discarded. To Gasparo Bertolotti (1540-1609) better identified with the place of his birth, da Salo, belongs the credit for perfecting our four-string viola, tuned like a violin, but a fifth lower in pitch. Our viola is a seventh larger than the violin, but earlier examples were both larger and smaller, observes an authority in the Chicago Daily News.

In the days of Bach the viola da gamba was popular. He wrote three sonatas for it, and he uses two of them in his sixth Brandenburg concerto. Of the secondary group, the viola d'amore, having sympathetic strings, has never become wholly archaic. Berlioz praised its tone quality, and Meyerbeer included it in an aria in "Les Huguenots."

Gray Thrush Flies High; Solitaire Lofty Dweller

In the high mountains of the western states, where the Douglas fir grow far apart on the sides of the broken granite slopes, a gray bird flies quietly through the scattering woods and alights on the upturned roots of a fallen tree. After a few minutes it deserts its perch to catch an insect in mid-air, much as do the bluebirds of the plains below. It is a Townsend's solitaire, a bird reclusive of the mountain solitudes, writes Ruth Wheeler in Nature magazine.

The solitaire is a thrush and one of the loftiest dwellers of all the thrush family. There is an air of mystery about these birds that fit quietly and unobtrusively through the mountain forests. They never go in flocks but seem to live to themselves, satisfied with the vast expanse of the upper world that is their kingdom.

Just as wild and full of romance as the region in which he lives is the song of the solitaire. He usually pours out his melody in a clear, rippling, penetrating warble from the summit of a high stub. This full, free song is the very spirit of the forest, the granite crags, and the tumbling mountain streams.

Monument to Camel Driver

In the desert badlands near Quartzsite, Ariz., stands a monument of colored quartz and petrified wood inscribed to "Hi Jolly." And thereby hangs a story from a curious chapter in the history of the U. S. army. Many years ago, when the army was active in western expansion, someone was inspired to start a camel corps for patrolling the desert. Seventy-four Arabian camels and one Syrian camel driver named Hadji Ali were imported. Though the idea at first seemed sheer inspiration, it failed for several reasons, the two chief ones being that the camels developed sore feet from sharp stones in the "badlands" and that prospectors mistook the strange beasts for apparitions and continually sniped at them. Eventually the camels were released to wander in the desert. Hadji Ali, whose name became Americanized into Hi Jolly, remained in the desert with the memory of his departed camels. Thirty-three years after his death, the monument was erected by the state of Arizona.

Leyden in Holland

Because of its famous university, Leyden is often called "the Northern Athens." Its ethnological museum is one of the finest in the world, and the streets ramble in all directions as they follow the Rhine. Ancient and modern gabled houses are at every turn, in Dutch Renaissance style. Of historical interest is its stately Sixteenth century town hall and the haunts of the Pilgrim fathers who worshipped in St. Peter's church. The carillon chimes among the loveliest in Holland. Goldsmith, John Evelyn and Sir Thomas Browne were once students in the university. Also Grotius Arminius, Scaliger and Descartes. The university was founded by William of Orange in 1572.

Why Puss Is Good Jumper

We all know how well Puss jumps. She is helped in this by having countless stalked oval touch-organs on the stomach-lining that communicate with the nerve supply of the intestines and loins. These, states a writer in London Tit-Bits Magazine, are called the Pacinian bodies; and they are so small that, although there are 600 of them on the palm of the human hand, thousands of people live and die ignorant of their existence. But everybody knows how sensitive the palm of the hand is. And our pet always manages to fall on her feet, when she drops from any height. She does this deliberately, aided by her peculiar internal arrangements.

VANITY

By SMITH BARKER
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MRS. STREET was very pretty. So was her daughter Valeria.

John Street was a plain farmer. But if you caught his eye you saw a perpetual twinkle that disconcerted wife and daughter oftentimes, showing (though of course they didn't know it) an invulnerable sense of humor.

Valeria had two beaux. One was Tom Kyle, a nice boy who was making a success of working a 160-acre farm on the shares. The other was Ronald Moore, a shoe salesman for a store that specialized in spike heels.

Valeria had known both in high school, and she loved to play a fast set of tennis with Tom, for she was a healthy young animal.

But Ronald looked like her favorite movie hero. And knew it.

"I don't care for that young Moore," said Mrs. Street to her husband as she saw Valeria gazing at the departing roaster of the shoe salesman one Sunday afternoon. "He has a weak chin."

"He spends too much on his tailor, and how he buys gas with a shoe salesman's salary is beyond me," replied old Street.

Then to his daughter as she sat down to supper, "When you go to Hollywood, daughter?"

Valeria flushed.

"For goodness sake don't put that into her head, John!" cried Mrs. Street, "we don't want all the beauties on the screen."

Valeria simpered.

Her mother always soothed her when her father said irritating things.

"Suppose even movie heroes and heroines eat," went on old Street, filling Valeria's plate. He knew her appetite.

"I don't want to go to Hollywood," pouted Valeria. "I have enough to do with these jealous cats here."

She left the room.

"I guess there's plenty girls around here prettier than you are, Val, and maybe the shoe's on the other foot. With spiked heels, too," her father added, taking salad dressing.

"I don't see why you always tease the girl," said her mother. "You know quite well Valeria is beautiful, though I confess it makes my heart ache to see how brown her back is getting. I think this tan is a foolish fashion."

"Better than sickly white paws, anyways," said her husband, "but seriously, that young Moore has to stop driving Val all over the country. I don't like it and I won't have it. But what can I do? If I say much she's likely to drive off to some fool justice and get married. These movies!"

Mrs. Street was not altogether without sense, and she disliked Ronald fully as much as her husband. Besides, she realized a shoe salesman with ambitions in ties is not a go-getter; and she read divorce cases and shuddered to imagine her lovely Val in some predicament that would place her on the front page.

"I guess I have an idea," declared John, as he put down his pipe and sauntered off to see his prize cattle before they went to sleep. "I'd rather watch over 50 calves than one girl, and that's a fact," he said to himself. "But I'll fix 'em."

Next morning he dressed himself rather carefully, and Farmer Street was distinctly good looking when dressed up.

He had the car washed and drove briskly to the ornate store of Grisley Bros., where young Moore worked.

Ronald chanced to come forward, and looked surprised and a trifle annoyed to see old Street standing grinning by his glittering display case of evening shoes.

"Morning," observed Mr. Street. "Real fancy place you got here."

Ronald bowed. "You want some shoes for, er, your daughter?"

"I do. You know the kind she wears, maybe?"

"I've never had the pleasure of fitting her," said Ronald. "I've often thought what a wonderful advertisement it would be for Grisleys if Val . . . er, your daughter, bought her shoes from us."

"Know the reason she don't?" asked old Street, the twinkle deepening in his eyes as he talked.

"Well, she has to have her shoes specially made. She's got a bunion, see, son? Can't wear ordinary shoes because it'd show. And she's terrible vain, if I do say it of my own girl."

Ronald looked as if one touch of a snee-horn would throw him over. Never could he picture his divinity with a . . . bunion.

"So I guess you'd better find some young woman who'd be a better advertisement for Grisley Brothers to take around in that little car of yours. My girl's a country girl, and she can't walk on stilts, though she'd beat you in a game of tennis, I'll bet. Good-by, young man, and don't risk the rocks in front of my gate. Might get a puncture." Grimly old Street walked out of the store.

Meanwhile Tom Kyle was playing tennis with Val. She thought his chin rather wonderful, and couldn't help comparing it with that of Ronald, which was all to the good for Tom.

"We certainly had a wonderful game," he said, as Mrs. Street invited him in for lunch.

"I can't see, though," she said, "how you, a farmer, manage to be out this time in the morning."

"Special occasion. My uncle came last night and he has bought my little idea for a tractor—told you about it, didn't I? Well, I told Mr. Street, then. He thinks it's a good idea, and we are going into partnership. He sent me around this morning to tell you about it. You see," Tom blushed, rather charmingly, "I've told him about Val before, and he's seen her, when we graduated, and he's never forgotten her, of course."

"Tom, aren't you silly?" cried Val, "how could he possibly remember?"

"No one could forget Val—Why, father, how late you are!" cried Mrs. Street. "Wherever have you been?"

"I've been to town," said the farmer. "Well, Tom, you look as if you'd a million dollars; what's the news?"

Tom repeated his story.

"And if you don't mind, Val is going to marry me this fall," he said. "She's found out that Ronald has two false teeth. The dentist told her Saturday."

Mrs. Street laughed shortly.

"There's lots of things we can find out if we set about it the right way, and there's lots of impediments to marriages that ain't in the law books."

Mrs. Street looked at her husband. She saw by his expression that all was well, and heaped up his plate.

Old Lotus Seeds Sprouted In Tests After 300 Years

Seeds of the pink lotus of the Orient (Nelumbium Nelumbo to the botanists) probably three to five centuries old, were sprouted when properly treated by scientists of the Field Museum, Chicago.

Doubts were cast on the viability of ancient seeds by the late Sir Walis Budge of the British museum, perhaps the most distinguished Egyptologist of our time. He tested seeds of unquestionable age, found in Egyptian tombs, but could not make them sprout. His experiments, as well as others conducted at Rotterdam, England, convinced him that there is no life left in seeds that are much older than 150 years.

The Field museum's seeds came from southern Manchuria. Professor Ichiro Ohga unearthed them from an ancient peg bed which had once been the bottom of a lake and which had been filled in. A willow tree growing on the site measured four feet in diameter. A smaller one near it was cut down and its annual rings counted. There were 125. Ohga decided that the lotus seeds were from 300 to 500 years old. He tested the seeds and found them still capable of germinating. When those received at the Field museum were first softened with sulphuric acid to dissolve the glassy, hard external coat, Professor Charles A. Shull found no difficulty in verifying Ohga's announcement. Other seeds which had been filed on the outside also germinated after having been soaked in water. The seeds treated with acid germinated more rapidly and successfully.

Expert Divulges Plan to Make Over City of London

How London, in 50 years, with its green circle, the demolition of worthless relics and the restoration of worthy ones, a broadening of the narrow thoroughfares, etc., could become a "city beautiful," was recently outlined in what he called a "master plan" by F. R. E. Town-drow before the Town Planning association at Welwyn.

"Few people," he said, "realize that practically the whole of the center of London has been rebuilt in a haphazard way within the last 50 years. The lives of buildings, especially commercial buildings, stores and theaters, is getting shorter and within the next 30 years probably the whole of the center of London will be rebuilt again."

"Thus, without forcing owners to rebuild, we could, if we had a master plan, have a new city in 50 years."

"Why cannot we make the center of London a place that would be a joy to be in of an evening, with boulevards and cafes and more space for theaters and important buildings."

"Instead we have such roads as Charing Cross road, which is surely the worst street in Christendom; a muddled bazaar which we call the Strand, and a string of good and bad shops mixed up in a flashy sort of way which we call Oxford street."

Work of Burbank, Plant Wizard

Luther Burbank, who died in 1926, was the world's greatest plant wizard. Early in his career, notes the Washington Post, came an order for 20,000 prune trees in nine months. Impossible, nurserymen said. But Burbank planted 20,000 almond seeds, transplanted the shoots, and delivered the trees on time. A white blackberry, a chestnut tree bearing nuts when only knee high, a 6-inch daisy were some of his pranks on nature.

Latin Pronunciation

The Encyclopedia Britannica states that the pronunciation of Latin in the classical period has been determined with approximate accuracy by the application of strict phonological method. While the so-called English and Italian pronunciations are used to some extent, schools in general have adopted this Roman method, with "c" and "g" hard, "v" equivalent to "w," etc. The "r" has approximately the English sound, perhaps more trilled.

NEW OUTLOOK

By Gregg Alexander

"A glorious New Year's day, isn't it?" the young man asked.

Molly aroused herself. She had noticed this attractive young man on the boat, of course. Molly had avoided him, however. If she hadn't been so absorbed with her own gloomy thoughts he wouldn't have gotten near enough to speak.

"Yes, it is," she replied coldly. But as she looked up into his merry face, her own sad countenance changed.

"Gee, but you are swell looking when you smile," he blurted out. "I've been wondering how you'd look with a smile on that pretty face."

Molly couldn't help but laugh. He sounded like a child. Then she grew sober.

"If you knew what makes me sad: my eyesight going, my fiance de-

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ciding he didn't want a blind wife,"—she started. But Jack stopped her.

"Start the New Year thinking of what you have, not pitying yourself. You have money to travel."

"Surely. Money!" Molly agreed disgustedly.

"More than ordinary good looks. Education, I should judge. A fair amount of charm. I can't judge that accurately, for you've kept it shut off." His tone was so droll that Molly had to laugh.

"Well, you do paint rather a strong picture, Mr. Pollyanna. You have your fair share of charm and good looks too," she responded, with a provocative smile.

"Stop it, stop it," Jack pleaded in mock alarm. "Turn it off, turn off the charm. I'm too susceptible."

"All right. Since you had the courage to tackle the glummiest girl on board ship, maybe I'd better try making myself agreeable." Molly was still smiling, but there was a look of determination on her face.

"Sure thing. Be a good sport. Take life as it comes."

A trace of bitterness returned to Molly's tone as she said: "It's easy for you to talk, with health and good looks and everything to make life easy."

Jack laughed. "Lots you know about it. They told me five months ago I had six months to live. But I'm showing them they're mistaken. Aren't your eyes better?"

Molly looked at him in astonishment: "You mean it, really? And you so full of fun all the time? Oh, my eyes, you say. Yes, they really are better."

"I was sure of it. Well, I'm off to see the mate. His wife wants him to give up the sea and settle down on land. The idea is driving him nuts. So long, I'll be seeing you. Good luck, and Happy New Year!"

Wife Is Very Surprised Husband Is Really 'She'

LOS ANGELES.—Mrs. Betty Higgins said she was very surprised when police informed her that her husband, Michael Higgins, 23, was a woman. She and Michael eloped four years ago.

Mrs. Della Harvey, who had lived with her daughter since her marriage, also was astonished.

"Why he—I mean she—has been a fine provider for Betty," she said. "And he—that is she—was always nice to me. I called her 'my boy.'"

The deception was discovered when a police psychiatrist became suspicious when he questioned the woman when a \$16,000 shortage was reported at the garage where she worked.

Robins Trick Their Foe In a Three-Day Battle

CONNEAUT, OHIO.—Two robins and a woodpecker had a three-day battle while contesting each other's rights to establish a home in the entrance to a hollow limb.

The woodpecker had amply upholstered the hollow limb with cotton wadding. Then the bird left on a short trip.

When it returned, two robins had taken possession of the home site. The battle began. The woodpecker and the robins were alternately victorious.

Finally, the robins outwitted the woodpecker. They sealed up the entrance to the limb with mud and grass, keeping out their enemy.

Safety First

"You young ruffian!" exclaimed the old lady, indignantly, "what do you mean by standing there throwing stones at that little boy?"

"I'm scared to go any closer, lady," came the reply. "That kid's got th' measles."

Not Himself

Rastus—Yo' ain't yo' self no more? Sick or sumpin'?

Mose—Got insomnia. Keep wak-in' up every few days.—Atlanta Constitution.

Unnerving

Doctor—Have you told Mr. Brown that he's the father of twins?

Nurse—Not yet. He's shaving.—From Telephone Topics.

Aramaic Used by Christ; Northern Syria Dialect

Jesus Christ was a Jew, and the language he spoke was the Aramaic, the dialect of northern Syria.

The Israelites were much in contact with Aramaean populations, and some words from that tongue became incorporated into the Hebrew at a very early date. At the time of Hezekiah, notes a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Aramaic had become the official language of both Judea and Assyria; that is, the language spoken at the courts.

After the fall of Samaria the Hebrew inhabitants of northern Israel were largely carried into captivity and their place was taken by colonists from Syria, who probably spoke Aramaic as their mother tongue.

The fall of the Jewish kingdom hastened the decay of Hebrew as a spoken language—not that the captives forgot their own language, as is generally assumed, but after the return to Judea the Jews found themselves, a people few in number, among a large number of surrounding populations using the Aramaic tongue.

When the latest books of the Old Testament were written Hebrew, though still the language of literature, had been supplanted by Aramaic as the language of common life. From that time on the former tongue was the exclusive property of scholars, and has no history save that of a merely literary language.

'Gem of Gems' Name Given Precious Ruby by Hindus

"Gem of gems" is the name given to the ruby by the Hindus, who prize it above all other precious stones. It is said to bring to its wearer health, wealth, wisdom and happiness, and is the emblem of true love. It has been said that he who possesses a flawless ruby dwells without fear in the midst of his enemies. The ruby is spoken of in the "Lapidaire en Vers," where it is called the most precious of the 12 stones God created, when He created all creatures:

"The ruby, called the lord of gems, the highly prized, the dearly loved ruby, so fair with its gay color." By the Lord's command the ruby was placed on Aaron's neck.

The many talismanic virtues of the ruby are noted in the Fourteenth century treatise on gems attributed to Sir John Manderville. Here the fortunate owner of a brilliant ruby is assured that he will live in peace and concord with all men, that neither his land nor his rank will be taken from him, and that he will be preserved from all perils.

Bible Facts

All book-lovers read the Bible for the beautiful, dignified English it contains, if for no deeper reason. Men who have made a very careful analysis of the Bible say that it contains 3,566,480 letters, 810,697 words, 31,175 verses, 1,189 chapters, and 66 books. The word "and" occurs no fewer than 46,627 times and the word "Lord" 1,588 times. Those who order their lives by the Bible could not choose a better set of practical instructions. The Book of Proverbs contains the sanest advice on behavior ever given to man. In the earlier books there are rules for eating and drinking, for sowing crops and the maintenance of bodily health. Historically, it is accurate; it contains a comprehensive list of the flora and fauna of Palestine and the surrounding countries, their merchandise and mineral products.

Quilts of Iron or Rope

Regular quilts are circles of iron rounded on top and flat on bottom. About 8½ inches in diameter, they weigh nine pounds apiece. Circles of heavy rope are sometimes substituted for iron bands. The game quilts is the "step-son" of discus throwing. It was originated by camp followers of Greek soldiers who, being poor, couldn't afford to buy discuses. Instead, they picked up horseshoes and bent them into circles. Lazy players didn't bother to bend their shoes, pitched them "as is." In the game of quilts, two pegs are placed 18 to 24 yards apart. The player stands near one peg, tries to throw his quilt on top of or near the other peg. He usually gets two points for a "ringer," one point for being closest to the peg.

Cologne Facts

Perhaps you know that the difference between eau de cologne and toilet water lies in the fact that while the latter is simply a mild rendition of perfume, cologne is an actual cooling agent. Fern, bergamot, orange blossom, lemon are mixed with alcohol in cologne to give that tingling sensation that cools the skin much the same way as menthol cools the palate. But the really distinguished eau de cologne has the added virtue of containing plenty of perfume essence besides, to give it character.

The Shakers

The Shakers were an American religious communal sect who made their first appearance in 1776 at Niskayuna, which is the name by which Watervliet, N.

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PETER CALLED TO SERVE

LESSON TEXT—John 1:40-42; Luke 5:1-11.
GOLDEN TEXT—Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.—Mark 1:17.

As we embark on the New Year, we gather in our Bible schools to take up an interesting series of studies on the life and work of Peter. The life story of any great and useful man is worthy of our careful study. The life of Peter has peculiar interest because he was so intensely human, and yet so gloriously used of God.

Our lesson for today starts at the right point, for we meet Peter when he as Simon first met the Lord. He was a mature man by that time, successful in business and "settled" in life, but with him (as with us) life did not really begin until he met the Lord Jesus.

I. He Was Brought to Christ (John 1:40-42).

Andrew, of whom we know but little, is a character greatly beloved because having found the Christ he at once set out to bring his brother to Him. He probably did not know that in bringing his rough fisherman brother to the Lord he was bringing one of the leaders of all time. The important thing is that he brought him.

The history of the Church abounds with the stories of humble men and women who have been used to win others to Christ, who have in turn been greatly used for Him. Think of the humble man who led Spurgeon to Christ, the Sunday School teacher who dealt with Moody, the simple but earnest Moravians who won Wesley—and be encouraged. You may have someone near you who may be awaiting your word to bring him to Jesus.

II. He Was Given a New Name (John 1:42).

Simon, meaning "to hear," is changed to Peter, which means "rock." The blessed Lord who in His omniscience knew what the change in Peter's heart was to mean in his life, gave him a new name to fit his new character.

What a blessed truth it is that God in Christ can and will take the blustering fisherman and transform all of his good qualities into power and usefulness for Himself. Thus God who knows just what we are ready and willing to make us what we ought to be in Christ. Have you gone through the experience of having Christ say: "Thou art . . . thou shalt be?" It may mean that you have passed through or will pass through the pressing experiences which are needed to weld together your characteristics into a "rock," but if it is God's hand that makes the change you will find it to be all joy.

III. His Occupation Was Changed (Luke 5:1-11).

Christ had chosen Peter as one of those who should forsake all and follow Him, as one of his disciples in the inner circle of the Twelve. Note how graciously He carries out His purpose. One day as He stands to teach on the shore of the sea of Galilee the crowd presses Him, and He steps into a boat and asks the boatman to put out from the land. And it "just happened" to be the boat of Simon, who had about a year before met the Lord and received the new name of Peter.

Such things do not "happen." The destinies of men are in the hands of God. The day and hour for Peter's call had come, and here he was to be taught by Jesus through a miraculous draught of fish that he was to be a fisher of men. God's clock always runs on time. Remember that, and also be assured that if you are His child not even the simplest "happening" in your life is unknown to Him. He who numbers the hairs on our heads, He who observes the fall of a sparrow, is not lacking in loving interest and care for His children.

Had our lesson been deliberately chosen for a New Year's message it could hardly have been more appropriate. To the one who knows not Christ as Saviour there is an invitation to begin the New Year by coming to Him. To the Christian there is the admonition to do as Andrew did—bring your brother or friend to Christ. We are not all called to leave our daily work and become full-time Christian workers, but every believer should be a soul-winner. To the one who has heard the call of God to leave his nets and follow the Lord in full-time service, here is the urgent renewing of that call. Step out in faith now and follow Him. To the church or religious worker discouraged by the failure of a social or ethical program here is the lesson and example of a life changed by personal contact with the Lord Jesus. The New Year may be blessed and fruitful indeed, if we each one heed the lesson of the day.

Human Nature

When we are most filled with heavenly love, and only then, are we best fitted to bear with human infirmity, to live above it, and forget its burden.—Maria Hare.

Animals and Birds Find

Plenty of Use for Tails

Certain species of mice have extraordinary long tails which are used as balancing organs while making long leaps. In another species of mice the tail seems to have no purpose at all as it is only a remnant. Among the larger mammals the bear and elephant have about the smallest tails in relation to their size, although the elephant had his compensated for by a proboscis on the other end. We may think the common cottontail was slighted in this respect, writes a correspondent in the Detroit News, but it has a tail nearly as long as a bear and furthermore it serves as a signal of danger much the same as the tail of the deer.

The Gila monster finds his tail an excellent place for food storage. The alligator uses its tail as a weapon and as a powerful lever in turning its body over and over after seizing its prey. In this way the alligator tears its food or victim as the case may be. The great order of insects show a wide diversity in structure and function of tails or tail-like appendages.

If one is expert enough to read the signals of the skunk's tail he can tell when to retreat to a safety zone. Some people claim they can pick up a skunk by the tail with perfect impunity, but some skunks are too clever for persons to take this advantage of them. Others claim they can pick up a porcupine by the tail without danger; however, unless you are an expert you will probably find it a very effective war club worthy of considerable respect. The beaver's tail is used to spank out on the water a warning of approaching danger.

Some tails serve chiefly as ornaments as in the peacock, the lyre bird and pheasants. The ruffed grouse is a famous dandy which, during the drumming period, struts about vainly displaying the coloration of his tail feathers. Of course, we all know that the horse's tail is not only an ornament but also a fly swatter. The question still remains of what use is a pig's tail?

Field Mouse Makes Home

In Network of Runways

The small mammal, known scientifically as *Microtus pennsylvanicus*, is a common species of field mouse. It makes its home usually in damp fields where there is an abundance of grass. It is a very active creature, both by day as well as by night, observes a writer in the Montreal Herald.

It lives in burrows, making a network of runways among the vegetation which are connected with their feeding grounds. The burrows may be in meadows or under logs, rocks, tussocks of grass or roots of trees, and lead to underground chambers filled with nests of dry grass which provide a home in winter and often in summer. Other nests are located in damp meadows or marshes in depressions on the surface or among clumps of grass.

The common meadow mouse is most prolific. Estimating the normal increase at six young, with four litters in a season, and assuming that there are no checks upon the increase, the results are appalling. A single pair and their progeny in five seasons would amount to nearly 1,000,000 individuals.

Field mice, also known as moles, have stout bodies, blunt, rounded muzzles, small eyes and short ears—often completely concealed by the fur. The tail is short and hairy; the soles of the feet are naked, or clothed with short hairs, and have five or six foot pads (plantar tubercles). The incisors are broad and not grooved.

Word 'Ginseng' From Chinese

Practically all of the American production of ginseng is exported to China, where it is in great demand for medical and domestic purposes. Branched roots resembling the human form are especially prized for their supposed occult virtues. The word "ginseng" is derived from Chinese words meaning "likeness of man." It is considered a cure for many diseases in China. The roots are marketable in about the fifth or sixth year from planting of seed. They are washed and cured in a well ventilated room with temperature not exceeding 90 degrees Fahrenheit. This takes about a month for the larger roots. They are then stored in a dry, airy place in sacks or boxes for shipment.

Did Not Like Buttons

Once, a gentleman would rather have been shot than have any buttons on his coat. In England, about 700 years ago, the fasteners were only "scandalous ornament on men of low degree." A bit later whole sleeves might be buttoned, from wrist to above the elbow. Buttons have not always been used as fasteners, says the Washington Post. The rank of a Chinese mandarin was distinguished by the color button he wore on his hat.

Highest Sea Mountain

Even though Mauna Kea in Hawaii is the highest island mountain in the world, the visible portion is only a small part of it. The mountain begins on a great plain 18,000 feet below sea level. It rises 14,000 feet above sea level, so high that it is topped with snow. The snow gives it the name Mauna Kea, which is translated "White Mountain."

**It's Open Season
For Resolutions;
Made Yours Yet?**

CHICAGO.—It's again time for New Year's resolutions and psychologists have something to say about it.

"Humbug," is the comment of Dr. Robert N. McMurray, executive secretary of the Chicago Psychological corporation.

"He's wrong," answers Dr. George W. Crane, noted psychologist with Northwestern university.

Although most scientists admit the average resolution lives no longer than a May fly, they claim this old American habit does have merit. Dr. McMurray sees no more logic in using the first day of January for making resolutions than in the old southern custom of shooting off fireworks at Christmas, but he admits that people most meticulous about their obligations are more likely to keep New Year's promises.



"A good resolution," he says, "becomes a compromise solution to the conscience conflict. The man who makes one says to himself, 'I will make a resolution not to do this or that which I should not during the forthcoming year.' Although it's not the same as refraining from such actions, it does have some value in quieting the conscience's reproaches."

But Dr. Crane is more hopeful. "It is wise to make resolutions," he says, "since the first step in progress of any sort consists of formulating the plans."

For those without sins to expiate, he suggests the following ideas: "Pay a sincere compliment to your wife or husband, your children or neighbors.

"Don't wait for death to tear the selfishness from your eyes, after which, in remorse, you heap extra bouquets on the coffin.

"Resolve now to pay at least three sincere compliments every day in 1939."

**WOMAN, 75, IS BACK
FROM ARCTIC TRIP**

**Covers 12,000 Miles Through
Ice-Laden Waters.**

NEW YORK.—A cruise on the Hudson's Bay company relief ship *Nascopie* through 12,000 miles of ice-laden waters of the North has been completed by a 75-year-old woman, who was greeted at Fort Ross as the oldest white person to set foot on that lonely outpost in the Northwest passage.

Mrs. Susan Nason of Medford, Ore., who made the trip with her daughter, Miss Margaret Nason, described the journey at the Post Graduate hospital, where she is receiving treatment for a foot ailment. She completed the trip at Halifax and then came here. The voyage lasted three months.

The *Nascopie*, an ice-breaking freighter, makes the trip annually to the Hudson's Bay company's northern posts to deliver supplies, take in new personnel and collect the fur cargo. On the 1937 trip the ship carried personnel to establish Fort Ross on Somerset island in the Northwest passage.

The *Nascopie* docked only once on the 12,000-mile voyage, at Churchill on Hudson bay, but anchored as nearly as possible to the outposts and sent provisions ashore in small scoops. Mrs. Nason said stops were made at 30 of the company's posts.

At Thule, Greenland, the ship took on two Eskimo families and transported them to Craig Harbor, on Ellesmere island, the northernmost post office in the world. Here the ship also left two Royal Canadian Mounted police who had been brought for duty at Craig Harbor.

The ship also carried a party of Canadian government geologists and other scientists to their destinations, but the passengers who attracted most attention were three brides-elect who were married aboard to two members of the outpost personnel and an explorer.

One of the brides, Mrs. Nason said, was a girl from Scotland, a stickler for ceremony, who wore a white satin wedding dress and veil and even brought her wedding cake with her to the Arctic. The other brides were from Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia. Altogether there were eight women aboard the *Nascopie*.

WORN OUT!

Pat overtook his friend Mike on the way to work one morning. Mike looked very tired, says London Answers Magazine, and was trudging along slowly.

"What's wrong with ye this fine morning?" cried Pat. "It's half asleep that you're looking."

Mike turned a bleary eye on his friend. "And it's tired I'm after feeling," he said. "Wasn't I up half the night?"

"What was wrong, then?" asked Pat anxiously.

"It was the cat," replied Mike. "Wasn't I sitting there till past one waiting for her to come in so I could put her out and be off to my bed."

Hand Coverings Traced

Back to the Israelites

"Gloves of Antiquity" mentions gloves in the Bible, in the Book of Ruth. Gloves were worn by the Israelites, solely by men of rank. Mural paintings of Thebes show gloves as a part of the king's raiment. Xenophon at the end of the Eighth book of *Cyropedia* complains of the unwarranted elegance of the Persians, that they not only wore umbrellas over them in summer and in winter, not satisfied with ordinary clothing, but have coverings made of hair for their hands and fingers.

Chaldeans defined gloves in their dictionary. Pliny speaks of an amanuensis who "wore gloves upon his hands in winter, lest the severity of the weather should let him lose anything." Homer mentions Laertes, father of Ulysses, in retirement "while gloves received his hands to shield them from the thorns." A celebrated Roman glutton came to the table in gloves so that he might be able to handle and eat the meat while hot, and so devour more than the rest of the company.

The Christians at the end of the First century considered the wearing of both shoes and gloves (hairy coverings for feet and hands) as shameful to persons in perfect health. But even cavemen wore gloves, possibly 160,000 years ago, according to some learned historians. So we really have an instinct about gloves and can justify all of their uses, even that of pure decoration, by studying the costumes of the ancients.

**Paper Decorations Used
In Chinese Ceremonials**

The use of ornamental paper cut to represent various objects and burned at Chinese funerals dates from the very inception of paper-making, writes David Hunter in the Bulletin of American Museum of History. Objects of all kinds are constructed of paper and burned at the bier of the deceased so that the departed spirit may have an abundance of the things represented by the frail paper effigies.

Along certain streets of all great cities of China are shops where these ghost-like replicas are sold—highly ornate cardboard chests, with shiny gold and silver paper locks; flowing robes of paper, painted with golden dragons and complicated patterns; shoes, hats and all manner of wearing apparel made of paper.

For the relatives of the wealthy, the craftsmen in paper also construct full-sized carts and horses, the thought being that when these fragile representations go up in smoke they will eventually assume reality in heaven and the deceased will have horses and vehicles at his disposal.

Great quantities of mock money are burned every year in China and all over Asia, where Chinese have made their homes. If sufficient "money" is burned, the deceased will be able to purchase elaborate clothing, fine horses and other necessities after reaching the spirit world.

Dark Ages, Middle Ages

The Dark ages extended, roughly speaking, from the fall of the western Roman empire in 475 A. D. to the revival of learning on the discovery of the papyrus at Amalfi, Italy, in 1150—altogether about seven centuries. The period extending from the fall of the Roman empire to the capture of Constantinople in 1533 by the Turks is known as the Middle Ages. The papyrus were a collection of laws systematically arranged from Roman writings on jurisprudence. They were enacted into law by the Emperor Justinian in 529 A. D. Their discovery at Amalfi stimulated a general study of Roman and Greek literature, which led to what is known as the classic age. During the Dark ages learning was at its lowest ebb in Europe and civilization seemed to retrograde, owing to the masses of barbarians who emerged from northern Europe and overran the former seats of learning.

Famed Umbrellas

Jonas Hanway was the man who popularized the rainshield in London. He took his life in his hands when he did it, too, asserts a writer in the Washington Post. Not that umbrellas were unknown. Far from it. They had been used as sun shades in the East for centuries. They were well-known in France. In fact, English women occasionally carried them. But Hanway was the first Englishman to date appear on the streets with an umbrella. He saw in it a way to prevent sickness caused by getting wet in rain. So, he carried his umbrella, though he was hooted, pelted with mud, sticks and stones. But Jonas Hanway lived to have the last laugh. Before he died in 1786 most men carried umbrellas and shortly after his death, even the hard-boiled men of the army took to them.

Wild Hare, Squirrels Pests

In the Eighteenth century wild hare and squirrels were so plentiful they became pests, with bounties on their heads, says the American Wildlife Institute. In one year—1749—800 pounds were paid out for the heads of gray and black squirrels at three pence a head in Pennsylvania alone. This means that more than 600,000 were killed for the price on their heads.

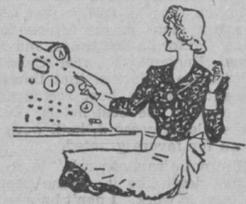
Household Hints

By BETTY WELLS

LIFE is pretty mixed up for the lady with a house. Just when we get all the gadgets we need for making things sail along on high, the world begins to snub us and we're left with the idea that home-making doesn't matter a lot anyway.

It's partly our fault. We've taken all this labor saving talk too much to heart, till we think the world owes us a button to push for every task in life. It's just as well to keep in mind the difference between drudgery and work, and remember all the jobs that will always have to be accomplished by the fine gusto of work. As we get rid of the drudgery, our energies and enthusiasm must go into the creative and constructive angles of home-making, into studying up on our job and really getting professional about it.

No time? Don't admit that. For here's where women today stand, darlings—we have smaller families; we buy ready-made most of the things our grandmothers had to manufacture; we have mechanical



We think the world owes us more and better buttons to punch.

help for all the heavy tasks; we're younger and prettier for our ages.

So if we're worked to death, we're doing a lot of putting somewhere along the line and it's up to us to keep score of our days and find out where our time is going. How much is frittered away . . . how much is spent doing things the long way around. In short, we'd better get hold of all that extra time our labor-savers provide and make it sit up and talk. Use it to keep our minds as slicked up as our homes. Use it to learn the technical side of our job. What about vitamins and calories anyway and why are they important (aside from reducing)? How many of us have really read through any of the authoritative books on children? Do we know the furniture periods by sight and does the story of rugs, the history of textiles enrich our daily lives?

Well then! When we become real experts in our work, we'll quit calling ourselves "Just housewives" and stop wishing for "something interesting" to do.

Interesting Color Scheme.

"I had stage fright when the painters came to do over my living room and dining room," writes Mrs. A. H. A. "And so I just had everything painted ivory and let it go at that. I just didn't have the nerve to tell them what I really wanted. Now it's time to repaint again and I'd like to be forearmed with a plan for a more interesting color for these walls. I'd like to add warmth and spaciousness to these rooms and I'd greatly appreciate your help in doing it. The living room is 12 by 14 and joins the dining room, which is 12 by 12, through an arch without draperies or French doors.

"I have broadloom rugs in eggplant; the couch and two chairs are of light green wool with indistinct figures and the other chairs are in brown. The exposure is south and east and the draperies are a hand blocked linen with flowers—predomi-



"Painters give me stage-fright."

nant colors are eggplant and green. How shall I paint walls and woodwork? Have you any suggestions for archway?

"The hall is L-shaped and so narrow that only a small table and lamp can be used in it. Rugs are green broadloom of soft light shade and draperies are figured green and brown linen. How should I paint the walls here? Many thanks for your help."

You have to be firm with painters! They have a way of looking so shocked at an unexpected color. You might try suggesting something really fantastic to begin—like black walls. They'll be so relieved when you compromise on apricot or mauve-pink that they'll go to work with a will.

Seriously, why wouldn't a soft powdery apricot be the thing for these walls? Or else a soft light mauve-pink? There you would have a tone harmonious with your other things, yet warm and spacious and not so commonplace as ivory. You might repeat the wall tone in accessories of glass in as near the same color as you can find. We'd have living room, dining room and hall walls painted all the same color or varied shades of one color. © By Betty Wells—WNU Service.

Mazers, Bowls of Wood,

Were Made From Maple

Before glass and pottery for table use became common plates and drinking cups were made of wood. Mazers or bowls of wood were first used in the Thirteenth century and were made of the bole of the maple tree, cut across the part where the branches grew. This showed the beauty of the grain and was greatly prized.

The name may have come from the Dutch word "maeser," meaning a knot in the wood. As this section of a tree has the closest grain, it is possible this part of the wood was selected for its good wearing qualities, for the mazer was often subjected to hard usage and was in constant use, writes Alice R. Rollins in the Los Angeles Times.

The early mazers were often rimmed with silver which not only protected the brittle edges of the wood but also provided a place for the curious and quaint inscriptions to be found on many of them.

The inscriptions on the very early mazers are in black letter or Lombardic and some of them have flowers, animals and fruits in between the words. The date of these old mazers can be told by the spelling and style of lettering and the silver work.

The medallion which is found in the bottom of every mazer is a distinctive mark. No two are alike and they are of great variety. Some of the designs are a knight, king and falcon, rose, boar, shield and helmet. In addition many carried initials and monograms.

**Perpetual June Enjoyed
In the Famous Bahamas**

The Bahamas lie across the Tropic of Cancer, a short distance to the east of the Gulf stream, and this location gives them the climate of perpetual June.

Although not the largest island, New Providence, about the size of Staten island, is the most important, as it contains the capital, Nassau. The islands number approximately 700. The group is one of Great Britain's three self-governing colonies, sharing this distinction with Bermuda and Barbados. San Salvador, or Watling island, is generally accepted as the landfall of Columbus. It is 12 miles long and seven miles wide and much of its area is covered by a lake.

The island of New Providence is about 21 miles in length from east to west and seven miles from north to south. It is mostly flat, though a range of rocky hills makes its appearance.

The Bahamas have a population of about 60,000. The city of Nassau represents 20,000, of which two-thirds are colored. Next to New Providence the island of Eleuthera is the largest in population, having about 7,500 natives.

The lowest recorded temperature in the annals of the weather bureau is 53 degrees.

General Jackson's Horse

According to the Louisiana State museum, Old Duke was Gen. Andrew Jackson's favorite mount. An article in the New Orleans Daily Crescent on that subject says in part: "I was often reminded of this praiseworthy remembrance of fidelity and merit, cherished by my old friend General Jackson toward his famous Old Duke, the horse he rode during the Southern campaigns of the late war. Though Duke grew feeble, was greatly affected, withered and almost helpless in his latter days, he was not forgotten nor suffered to be neglected. . . . On one occasion, to try the general on a tender point, the writer of this article suggested the idea of putting an end to the sufferings of Duke. 'No,' said his generous master, 'never, never! Let him live, and while there is anything to go upon this farm, Duke shall have a part.'"

Long-Tailed Fowl Once Popular

The Yokohama long-tailed fowl has a fascinating history. Long ago the inhabitants of Tosa, Japan, carried its feathers as pennons on their spears, carefully breeding the birds to get long feathers, says Pearson's London Weekly. These fowls are bred in Japan, where their cages are lighted only at the top, lest the birds descend from their perches and spoil their fantastic tails. But the fowls must have exercise so they are taken for walks—during which an attendant acts as "train bearer," solemnly holding the fowl's tail.

Famous French Fortuneteller

Catherine Monvoisin, known as La Voisin, was the wife of a jeweler. She practiced chiromancy, face-reading, midwifery and provided love powders and poisons. Her chief accomplice was one of her lovers, the magician, Lesage. The women of Paris flocked to La Voisin and she accumulated great wealth. She was one of the chief personages in the famous affaire des poisons which disgraced the reign of Louis XVI and was executed at an early stage of the proceedings on February 20, 1680.

Weapons of the Zulus

A Zulu chief named Moselikatse became famous a century ago and was the ruler of thousands of square miles. He carried a shield made from an ox hide. Spears were the chief weapons of old-time Zulus, and each soldier carried two or three of them.

PROCEEDINGS ORPHANS' COURT.

Walter T. Grimes, administrator of Edna R. Grimes, deceased, reported sale of personal property.

Julia A. Smith, administratrix of Harry W. D. Smith, settled her first and final account.

Carroll G. Wareheim, executor of Amelia Snyder, deceased, received order to compromise claim.

Carroll G. Wareheim, executor of Amos F. Grogg, deceased, settled his first and final account.

Letters of administration on the estate of Laura Everhart, deceased, were granted to Horatio T. Wentz, who received order to notify creditors and warrants to appraise personal property and real estate.

Grace Steele Day and Ethel E. Steele, administratrices of Elizabeth S. Steele, deceased, settled their first and final account.

Union Bridge Banking and Trust Company, executor of Washington Shaffer, deceased, reported sales of real estate and personal property.

Horatio T. Wentz, administrator of Laura Everhart, deceased, returned inventories of real estate, personal property, debts due and current money, and received order to sell personal property.

Isaac N. Stoner, administrator of Charles R. Wilson, deceased, settled his first and final account and received orders to transfer securities and automobile.

Monday, January 1st, 1939, being a legal holiday, the Orphans' Court will be in session Tuesday and Wednesday, January 2nd and 3rd.

OUTDOOR LIFE SHOW.

Special features for the 1939 North American Sports, Garden and Outdoor Life Show to be held in Baltimore's vast Fifth Regiment Armory, Feb. 17th. to 25th., inclusive, will be announced at a luncheon to be held Tuesday at the Belvedere Hotel, Baltimore.

Government officials, including Mayor Howard W. Jackson and Governor-elect Herbert R. O'Connor, together with national and local leaders in conservation, sportsmen groups, garden clubs, boy and girl scout activities, and other bodies interested in the show will speak briefly.

H. Lee Hoffman, director of the Show and President of the Maryland Outdoor Life Federation, sponsors of the show will preside at the luncheon.

It is expected that Mr. Hoffman will announce many new attractions which will be featured in the show. It was revealed at Show Headquarters, 811 North Charles Street, Baltimore, that exhibits will come from points as distant as Florida, Alaska, Nova Scotia, Texas, and many other far-away places.

Commenting on the luncheon Mr. Hoffman said, "Plans for the 1939 Show, as will be officially announced on Tuesday, will reveal that the interior of the Fifth Regiment Armory will be transformed into a vast panorama of all phases of outdoor activity. Seventy-five percent of all available space has already been allocated. Represented through exhibits will be all types of Governmental Agencies and practically every group and organization in the State of Maryland directly or indirectly interested in conservation."

MARRIAGE LICENCES.

William D. McLaughlin and Pauline E. Bowers, Westminster, Md.

Vernon L. Hann and Nellie M. Martin, Greenmount, Md.

Judson O. Yingling and Gladys R. Leister, Reisterstown, Md.

Daniel J. Eckenrode and Mabel M. Willard, Thurmont, Md.

Joseph E. Study and Burnice D. Devilbiss, Taneytown, Md.

Walter M. Linton and Edna Welk, Sykesville, Md.

Roland D. Stonesifer and A. Marguerite Green, Union Bridge, Md.

George B. Marshall, Jr. and Lula C. Plickinger, Taneytown, Md.

Brice W. Conway and Elsie A. Porter, Woodbine, Md.

Howard T. Phillips and G. LaRue Logue, Westminster, Md.

Stewart R. Klinedinst and Mildred D. Patterson, Spring Grove, Pa.

Ray M. Small and Elizabeth S. Rhoten, Camden, N. J.

Elmer H. Shemery and Treva R. Stahlnecker, Mifflinburg, Pa.

Sterling E. Garver and Mae M. Horton, Westminster, Md.

Frank Bair and Ethel L. Nicholes, Manchester, Pa.

Charles A. Anders and Mildred V. Baker, Taneytown, Md.

John M. Sprinkle and Belle M. Garland, Hampstead, Md.

Ralph A. Miller and Ruth E. Dull, Sykesville, Md.

Paul Thoman and Lavina C. Frock, Hanover, Pa.

Every community has outstanding men and women who give freely of their virtues, but receive little encouragement for it.

Why the elephant waves his ears back and forth continuously has been a mystery to the world of naturalists for years. Now it has been discovered that the ears, with their many blood vessels, act as a thermostat. By waving them back and forth, the animal draws air over them to lessen his body heat.

Things of God that are marvelous are to be believed on a principle of faith, not to be tried into by reason.—S. Gregory.

"He that would have the government of human affairs, should have wisdom that can look forward through things that are present and, by the exercise of experience that has passed. So, wisdom and learning should go hand in hand."—Colton.

Fire losses on farms in the United States in 1938 were estimated to amount to \$95,000,000, an increase of five per cent from 1937.

The famous Alcatraz Prison, California, is named after the albatross, a bird that has the liberty of land, air and sea; the word albatross comes from the old Spanish word, alcatraz.

NO. 1 HITCH HIKER CHISELS HIS WAY AROUND THE WORLD

Pays Not a Cent for Travel Or Bed and Meals at Best Hotels.

CHICAGO.—He is hardly more than a boy but in the last five years has traveled more than 156,000 miles, chiseling all the way. He buys postage stamps (airmail only), and pays 20 cents every three months for a lockbox in Manchester, Conn. Aside from that, however, the only thing he can remember buying in the last five years is a green tie. He panhandled the money for that. He is Arthur Dean Swift, 22 years old, purported descendant of Jonathan Swift, the satirist, and self-styled Modern Gulliver.

Mrs. Martin Johnson, he says, bestowed the Modern Gulliver epithet. His claim to descent from the author of "Gulliver's Travels" conflicts with records which say that Jonathan Swift had neither wife nor children.

Tours Foreign Parts.

Since he left South Manchester, Conn., on June 15, 1933, he has been in every state in the Union four times, California five times, and has toured England, France, Canada, and Mexico. Most of that time he has eaten in the best restaurants and slept in the best hotels. Once in a while, if pressed, he'll work in return for favors granted.

"I'm not afraid of work," he says, "I just don't like it. Some people are born to work. I don't happen to be one. Here's my system: It's not good psychology to say 'Gimme a dime for a cup of coffee.' In the first place I don't like coffee, hamburgers, or hot dogs. I go into a big hotel or a swell restaurant, with a smile on my face. I act kind of humorous—just call it personality. I don't know how I do it, except that I try to make my benefactor feel better than when I met him.

"He feels better about giving me a meal or a room or 50 cents than he would if he'd given a dime to some one else. I tell him how wonderful times are, how wonderful this country is, how good business men are, and how rotten politicians are. Business men are good hearted, but they are the best suckers."

His System Works.

And the system works. Swift has clippings and autographs from coast to coast to prove it. He has traveled on everything from "bikes to blimps," he says, and has mooched more than 20,000 miles of travel from the major air lines. Amelia Earhart gave him a lift from Newark, N. J., to Indianapolis, Ind., and then gave him \$5 when she said good-by. Big names drop into his conversation with startling casualness.

"Henry Ford gave me \$20 once. . . I saw George Bernard Shaw on a channel boat, but all he'd give me was advice. He told me to get a job. . . I once had an \$8 meal at the Waldorf. I guess Oscar was just trying to show me what he could do when he got started. . . The swell-est place I ever slept in was Death Valley Scotty's \$2,000,000 castle. . ."

Swift was born in England and came to this country when he was five years old. A couple of years ago he decided he'd like to go to France and join the French Foreign Legion, so he had Connecticut repatriate him to England, he says. Then he decided not to join, and England obligingly deported him to the United States. Neither trip cost him a cent.

Wife Gets Mate's Job —He Gets the 'Alimony!'

CHICAGO.—There's an old trick in the alimony courts that didn't get by Mrs. Lucille Abrams, thanks to Judge Philip J. Finnegan, who appreciates a woman with spunk and a strong right arm.

Frank Abrams is a coal man. His expression was sad when he told Judge Finnegan that business just wouldn't permit him to keep up the alimony payments—that's why they had fallen in arrears.

That's where Lucille popped into the picture.

She walked up to the judge, rolled up her sleeve, and exhibited her brawny muscles.

"If he can't make that business pay, I can!" she announced. "I used to drive the truck for Frank, and I've done my share of the carrying, too."

"So, your honor, if he can't pay alimony with that business, I'll take it over and pay him—\$1 a day."

Judge Finnegan couldn't see anything unfair in that proposition, so the coal business is in other hands, and the alimony payments likewise reversed.

Hooks Prize Pike but Takes Diver to Land It

SENECA FALLS, N. Y.—It may be a fish story, but it's true, nevertheless, according to two Cayuga Lake State park lifeguards, Frank Poleck and Denton Woodward, the lifeguards, say it happened this way:

While fishing after the park closed, Poleck hooked an 11-pound pike, but was unable to land it. Woodward, fearing the fish would get away, dropped his line and dove into the water, grabbing the fish by the gills. It measured 34 inches in length.

UNCLE SAM RELIES UPON YANKEE WITS TO COMBAT SPIES

Foreign Snoopers Harder to Catch Than Ordinary Criminals.

WASHINGTON.—Old-fashioned Yankee wits have to serve the American war department in the place of the spy systems other nations hire. But the wits do right well sometimes. For instance:

Recently a young American diplomat stationed in Europe had an appointment to visit a European naval air station. He put on his topper and tails and quite innocently arrived at the station a day early to see what he could see.

The gate man admitted him and sent off for the commanding officer, but the American sauntered off blandly for the water's edge, his eyes photographing all strange details, including some queer, stumplelike arrangements set at intervals along the runways where the planes took off. Just then the flustered station commander caught up with him and ushered him back to the center of the post.

He's Diplomatic About It.

When they returned to the runways the stumplelike businesses were gone.

"O, secrets," thought the diplomat to himself.

So he quietly stepped off the holes where the stumps had been. Back at his office he wrote a description to our war experts. And that's how we found out that some nations are laying mines from airplanes.

Those stumps were fastenings to facilitate swift threading of mines onto airplane fuselages as the planes slid down the runways for a takeoff. The idea would be a great time saver if we ever went to war.

Spies are the lightning bugs of the underworld: here they are, here they aren't. Their trail is picked up through something they've done. But are they men or women, young or old? Where do they live?

They're a much trickier lot to catch than the ordinary criminal because they're schooled in the secrecy that is their most valued weapon. Even after they're caught investigators hesitate to tell how it was done because they may need the secrets they've learned through that hunt in the next one.

But if you ask enough questions you may hear of such tricks as the whisky ginger ale one, which was told by an American who knew spies were trailing him.

Secret Inks and Codes.

Codes and secret inks form a department by themselves in the spy business. They're used to send orders to spies scattered about the globe, and to return reports to the home office.

Secret inks write and then fade out. Several methods, depending on the ink, bring out the writing again. The simplest one becomes clear when the note is held over heat. Spies scorn that. But they usually carry an ink that develops only through some complicated chemical re-agent which is brushed lightly over the letter.

But even here they pile trick on trick. They have to carry the ink with them. If they are arrested and the ink is found it's proof of their work. That led to a strange discovery by our investigators during the World war. They had arrested a man suspected as a spy. But no evidence was found on him or in his bag.

So our secret service put his clothes through some chemical tests. From the cloth on the buttons of his dress coat came a dark color. It was secret ink. It had been dried into the buttons for use when he needed it.

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We are about to meet an interesting young chap who without previous experience is taking on a big job and a heavy load of responsibility.

There will be no point in our asking him at this time what his plans are; he doesn't know himself. Of course, we are all counting on him to help in solving some of our problems. But we must not forget that he is also counting heavily on us for our cooperation.

Therefore, let's just pitch in and help all we can without asking too many questions or assuming to know too much in advance about what he intends to do.

To our friends and patrons we extend best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

The Birnie Trust Company
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND.

Look ahead a Year

It's only a matter of fifty-odd weeks to NEXT Christmas. Is that too far to look ahead? Not if you want to give generously, without going into debt. Not if you want ready cash to meet heavy holiday expenses. Not if you are prudent and far-sighted like many other men and women who are starting their 1939 Christmas Club Accounts at this bank RIGHT NOW. Why not come in and open an account of your own.

JOIN OUR 1939 CHRISTMAS CLUB

CHOOSE ONE OF THESE PLANS

Weekly Deposit	Receive in 50 Weeks
\$.25	\$ 12.50
.50	25.00
1.00	50.00
2.00	100.00
3.00	150.00
5.00	250.00

TANEYTOWN SAVINGS BANK

Bank Stock Dividend Declared

Out of its last six month's earnings, the Westminster Deposit and Trust Co., have declared a semi-annual dividend of 3%, to be paid all stockholders on or before Jan. 1, 1939. This makes its \$100,000.00 capital stock an attractive 8% investment, very desirable for these times. Besides the dividend, it will add a substantial amount to its surplus and reserve.

Election of Directors

An election of Seven Directors of The Detour Bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the Bank, on Thursday, January 19, 1939, between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock.

DAVID B. REIFSNIDER,
Cashier.

Ice Age Fossil Dug Up From Gravel Pit in Ohio

CINCINNATI.—A fossil high bone of an elephant-like animal that roamed Ohio more than 40,000 years ago was found in a gravel pit here.

The bone, measuring 3 feet in length and weighing approximately 75 pounds, was unearthed 25 feet underground on property owned by William H. Barber, who donated it to the University of Cincinnati.

According to university museum officials, the gravel pit from which the fossil was taken was laid down during the last of the glacial epochs of the Ice age.

Movies Go to College

LOS ANGELES.—The University of Southern California now offers 22 different courses in the various branches of motion picture production. Studio directors and film executives serve as lecturers.