

COMMUNITY LOCALS

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The "season" for hunting rabbits comes in on the 15th. (Sunday.) This gives the "bunnies" another day's respite from being shot—we hope.

The children of Mr. Peter Baumgardner gave him a birthday dinner at his home, last Sunday. All of his children and grand-children were present.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Smith, of E. Baltimore St., received a Postal Telegram this week from their son, Sgt. Fern Smith telling of his safe arrival in England.

The Armistice Day parade held in Westminster last Sunday presented a long procession of participants. The streets were lined with spectators and airplanes circled overhead.

Miss Agnes Zent returned home last Thursday, after visiting her sisters Miss Dorothy Zent and Mrs. John Meshejian at the Hotel Alexander, in Hagerstown, for several days.

The U. S. O. solicitors regret that the supply of window stickers and pins are exhausted, hoping this will not keep anyone from contributing. We are having fine results. Our quota is set up to \$765.

Scott Mc. Smith, came home from Maryland University Hospital, Baltimore, on Sunday, Nov. 8, to the home of his son, Walter S. Smith. He is very much improved, and is now able to walk around in his room.

See our new offer of magazines on page seven of this issue. Your choice of any magazine listed with a subscription to The Carroll Record at a low cost is offered. Call your friends' attention to this offer!

We urge our customers to anticipate their printing needs as far in advance as possible as our force of workmen is very small and with the rush of Christmas work coming on we will need every consideration possible.

Carroll J. Foreman, left Thursday evening of last week to visit his brother, David H. Foreman, in camp at Ft. Jackson, S. C. He was accompanied by David's lady friend, Miss Betty Sunday. They returned early this week.

Robert E. Bankard, of town, entered the service of our country yesterday, leaving Baltimore for Fort George Meade. Robert entered the employ of The Record Jan. 20, 1941, and became a valued and efficient man in our office.

Visitors at the home of J. Raymond Zent, on Sunday last were: Mr. and Mrs. John Meshejian, of Baltimore, and Hagerstown, and Miss Dorothy Zent. Other visitors at the same place were: Mrs. Pearl "Alexander" Zent, and brother Roten, of Charmain Pa.

Kits were sent to the following service men: Cor. J. Stewart Baumgardner, Pvt. Richard H. Baumgardner, Charles F. Baker, Luther Halter, Richard D. Hiltbride, Kenneth Harsock, Joseph Baker, Robert Bankard, Lloyd Kiser, Paul Copenhaver and Dr. Carroll D. Dern.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ritter, of town, attended the banquet on Friday evening, given in honor of the employees and friends of the Littionan Shoe Co., of Littlestown. Rev. Nevin Smith was the speaker of the evening. On Monday evening Mr. Ritter attended a turkey dinner at the Y. W. C. A., Hanover, sponsored by the Rotary Club. A number of other clubs and guests were present. The speaker of the evening was Dr. L. F. Livingston, Manager of the Du Pont Agricultural Extension Division, Wilmington, Del.

P. F. C. Robert Mercier Geisbert, a survivor of the aircraft carrier "The Wasp," spent Sunday night and Monday at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Geisbert, Middle St. Mr. Geisbert was uninjured, but spent four hours in the water before being picked up, after the "Wasp" was torpedoed, after Tuesday from Baltimore to re-enlist in California for duty. Mr. and Mrs. William Ohler gave a dinner Monday evening in honor of Mr. Geisbert. Those present were: P. F. C. Robert Geisbert, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Geisbert and son, Ronald; Miss Dorothy Shoemaker and Mr. LeRoy Strickhouse.

Mr. Edwin Burnham, of Chicago, has been appointed a chief specialist for the United States Navy. His work will include giving instructions in taking and receiving flag signals, sending and receiving international code by blinker, identifying storm warnings and distress signals and searchlights and sirenaphone. Mr. Burnham has been for many years in charge of Glen View Radio Station, at Glen View, Illinois, a northern suburb of Chicago, which has recently been taken over by the Government and is now being used as a naval training base. Mr. Burnham's wife was the former Elva Evelyn Zent, eldest daughter of J. Raymond Zent, of Keymar, Md.

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CHRONICLE SUSPENDS

Difficulties for Printers Responsible for Step

Our neighbor, The Emmitsburg Chronicle, announced in last week's issue that it would suspend publication for the duration of the war, but will continue its job printing office and preserve and protect its name for the future, and expects to resume publication as soon as the war is ended.

The reasons assigned are difficulties in securing trained personnel as a result of the draft, and increasing hardship in securing supplies, such as newsprint, foundry type, printing inks, machine parts and other essentials.

This situation exists widely in the newspaper world. One illustration is the order recommended by Industry Committee No. 49 of the Department of Labor which would require the payment of at least 40 cents per hour to the lowest employe of the printing industry, which is now being contested, and which will go before L. Metcalfe Walling, administrator of the Federal Wage and Hour Law, for decision.

The matter was up for a hearing in New York last Monday, Edwin F. Abels, president of the National Editorial Association appeared for the printing industry. He stated that the proposed increase would put most small weekly newspapers out of business.

PASTOR RESIGNS

Having volunteered for overseas service as a field director with the American Red Cross, Rev. Paul B. Beard has submitted his resignation as pastor of the Mt. Joy Lutheran church, and will begin a course of training in Washington, D. C., on November 16.

The resignation will become effective next Sunday, when Rev. Beard will preach for the last time at the two churches in his parish, Mt. Joy and Harney. During his present pastorate, which began in 1938, the Mt. Joy church has erected a parish hall and the town hall in Harney has been purchased by the Lutheran church for use as a parish hall.

After two weeks of training, Rev. Mr. Beard will be located at a nearby Army camp for 30 to 90 days before going abroad.

COMPARISON OF VOTES

A study of the results of the State-wide vote cast in Tuesday's election, as tabulated in the Office of the Secretary of State, showed a decrease of 177,792 votes from the gubernatorial election of 1938. The total for 1942 was 372,675 against a 550,467 total of four years ago.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Francis A. Wright and Charlotte C. Waddell, Taneytown, Md. Stewart Brightful and Agnes Chase Westminster, Md.

Robert E. Sell and Mary A. Doyle, Westminster, Md.

Jack P. McLaughlin and Marynell McLaughlin, Westminster, Md.

Clifton T. Harbaugh and Verna P. Givens, Cascade, Md.

Charles N. Lawe and Elma Harner, Hanover, Pa.

Clark W. Geiman and Janet Smith, Hanover, Pa.

John E. Tenney and Wynette L. Smith, Newport, R. I.

John M. Schenk and Mary E. Zeigler, York, Pa.

Leonard J. Impegnatelli and Anna M. Crumble, Westminster, Md.

J. Floyd Deull and Carolyn L. Flickinger, Westminster, Md.

Earl Wenz and Juanita Simpson, Hamilton, Ohio.

Floyd C. Curry and Betty L. Witt, Baltimore, Md.

Fire Company News

Master David Stambaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stambaugh, was taken to Sydneyham Hospital, Baltimore, Sunday night in the Company ambulance.

The Company met in regular monthly session Monday night. The Chief reported three fire calls during the past month. The ambulance committee reported eleven calls. The By-Laws committee reported they had finished the writing of the new By-Laws in accordance with the terms of the charter. They were read to those members present, and action is expected on them at a special meeting in the near future.

The Company's priority order on 1 1/2 inch hose was received and the secretary was instructed by the Company to write to the W. P. B. and explain that the order was on equipment that could not be used by the Company.

The following members were then nominated for the ensuing year: Pres. Donald Tracey, James Myers; Vice-Pres. David Smith, Wilson Riffle; Secretary, Doty Robb, C. G. Bowers; Fin. Sec., McClure Dayhoff, George Noble; Treas., C. R. Arnold, T. H. Tracey; Trustees, Paul Shoemaker, Walter Crapster; Chief, Raymond Davidson, Alton Boston. The meeting adjourned with a very small roll-call.

The bowling team received their new shirts—"not bad to look at." "Watch out for the alerts this month."

The Navy needs 7,000 college seniors and 7,000 juniors as future officers.

EARLY CHRISTMAS MAILING URGED.

P. O. Dept. Urges Patrons to Avoid Disappointments.

The postoffice department now is starting the most gigantic task in its history—the movement of a deluge of Christmas parcels, cards and letters while maintaining the regular flow of millions of pieces of mail daily to and from our armed forces all over the world.

Indications are that the volume of Christmas mail will be the largest on record. Already in September, latest month for which figures are available, retail sales had reached a level second only to the record month of December, 1941, according to the Department of Commerce. And sales are rising. Such heavy purchases always presage heavy mailings.

If thousands of our soldiers, sailors, marines and civilian friends are not to be disappointed at Christmas time, the public must cooperate by mailing earlier than ever before and by addressing letters and parcels properly. The best efforts of the postoffice department alone cannot be enough, in view of wartime difficulties faced by the postal system. The public must assist.

About 25,000 experienced postal workers already have been taken by the war services. Arrangements are under way to add thousands of temporary personnel to postal staffs, but this man power is hard to find and is inexperienced. Facilities of railroads and air lines are heavily taxed by movements of huge quantities of war materials and personnel. Extra trucks are almost impossible to obtain. Winter weather, hampering transportation, is beginning.

The free-mailing privileges granted to members of the armed forces has raised their mailings some 30 percent, it is estimated. Expansion of those forces also is adding rapidly to the postal burden.

The deadline already is past for mailing gifts to Army and Navy personnel overseas with assurance that the parcels will arrive by Christmas. The New York postoffice reports that in late October, 350,000 such parcels were handled daily in that office alone. The postoffice department is making strenuous efforts to avoid such a terrific jam as it faced in 1918 under similar conditions, during the First World War. It can succeed in those efforts—and avoid many heartaches for its patrons—if the public will cooperate by mailing early.

BATTLE AGAINST BOMBS

Technique for the battle against incendiary bombs has been altered with reports of four new and especially dangerous types of Axis missiles, Judge Robert France, executive director of the Maryland Council of Defense, warned all local defense directors, recently.

Because of the different nature of the new weapons, all previous instructions about fighting fire bombs are superseded by the following list of directions, the director said. The instructions:

1. Replace sand pails with pails of water and increase the number of pails, as the water will be more than ever the prime essential in attack. Prepare additional water supplies wherever possible.

2. Do not use spray streams, sand, powders, compounds or anything else that requires a close approach to the bomb.

3. When an incendiary falls and does not explode immediately, it would be advisable to adopt the following procedure in dealing with it: (a) If any sort of a solid stream device is available, such as garden hose, pump can, stirrup pump, etc., lie prone, with the head kept low, taking whatever cover possible, and at a great distance as the range of the stream and other circumstances will permit, and attack the bomb and resultant fire.

(b) If no solid stream is available, send immediately for an auxiliary fire unit, and gather all available water to combat the resultant fire after you are reasonably sure the bomb is not going to explode.

(c) Any bomb that neither burns or explodes should be reported at once to the bomb reconnaissance officer for his investigation.

(d) Where phosphorus-oil bombs have been used, all areas touched by the oil should be kept wet until proper examination can be made to ascertain whether or not phosphorus is present. Physical contact with fragments of such bombs, or with ground or equipment splashed with the liquid, should be avoided.

MISS HOFFMAN AT ANNUAL CONVENTION

Miss Adeline M. Hoffman, Carroll County Home Demonstration Agent was one of the speakers at the 27th annual convention of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, which was held at the State Teachers' College, in Salisbury, on November 3, 4 and 5th. Miss Hoffman spoke on Wednesday afternoon and her subject was "The Homemakers' faces her Clothing Problems in a War-time World." Supplementing her talk Miss Hoffman exhibited 15 garments showing what can be made from discarded things, how old garments can be refitted, restyled and reclaimed.

SERVICE MEN LETTERS

Containing Thanks for The Record and Kit.

The Carroll Record Co. Dear Sir: I received The Carroll Record today and it was certainly appreciated. It was like getting a letter from home. Thanking you with the deepest appreciation, I remain yours truly, PVT. JOHN O. GARNER, U. S. A. D-9-S. F. A. R. C. Fort Bragg, N. C.

The Carroll Record Co. Dear Sir: Please change the address on the paper to a new address. I also wish to thank you for sending the paper and I wish you would continue sending it. That way I know the news in my community and my home town. Thanks very much. A friend, PVT. GALEN K. STONESIFER, Foster Field, Victoria, Texas.

4-H CLUBS MARK ACHIEVEMENT DAY

Victory Achievements was the theme of the Carroll County observance of National 4-H Club Achievement Week, Sunday afternoon and evening, in Immanuel Methodist Church, Westminster, with 103 members and guests in attendance.

Richard Hull presided. The pledge to the flag was given, led by Henry Kohler, who wore his uniform of the Minute Men for his community. The National 4-H Pledge was given in unison after which the assembly sang, "American the Beautiful," with Mary Louise Alexander, Taneytown, as the pianist. The roll-call indicated most girls and boys clubs represented. A summary of the Victory Achievements of the boys in 4-H Clubs in Carroll County was given by Glenn Garner of the Baust Club, and the Victory Achievements of the girls in 4-H Clubs was summarized by Alice Hitchcock, Taneytown Sr. 4-H Club.

Miss Adeline M. Hoffman, Home Demonstration Agent, presented awards and recognitions to the following: Freda Condon, Woodbine Club, county winner in general 4-H records; Jewell Haines, County winner in food preparation; Dorothy Hoff, New Windsor, county winner in clothing achievement record; Alice Hitchcock, Taneytown, county winner in food preservation. These four girls received gold medals. Other winners who were announced were Elizabeth Miller county and state winner in handicraft; Shirley Welk, Taneytown, county winner in victory gardens, and four runner ups in the Victory garden contest; Maude Myers, Taneytown, Edna Crawford, Sam's Creek; Vivian Alexander, Sam's Creek and Evelyn Pitt, Union Bridge. These girls will receive their prizes at a later time.

The local leaders presented by Miss Hoffman were: Mrs. Frances Gorsuch Metcalfe, Sam's Creek; Mrs. Earl Palmer, Woodbine; Mrs. George A. Leister, Jr., Hillsdale, and Miss Elizabeth Repp, Union Bridge.

The outstanding work of Miss Elva Koons, of the Taneytown Club was given fitting recognition by Miss Hoffman. The Taneytown Club through her untiring efforts has progressed far in the 4-H program. For her loyal service and contribution to the program, Miss Hoffman presented a gift, in the form of an all star pin.

Francis M. Rogers, assistant county agent, made his awards as follows: Harold Brown, Westminster No. 7, was awarded book, "I Dare You," given by the American Youth Foundation; Malcolm Mathias, ribbon given by American Angus Association for outstanding work in fattening steers. The Baust 4-H Club was awarded a \$25 War Bond for outstanding work in soil conservation work; Westminster 4-H Club won \$25 for outstanding work in baby beefs; sanitary milk production team won second place at Timonium Fair with John and Paul Harbaugh, New Windsor; livestock judging team placed seventh at the Baltimore Livestock Show with John Means, Harold Brown and Paul Harmon, Westminster, rural route. He also stated that 20 baby beefs were shown by 15 4-H boys at the Baltimore Livestock Show. The enrollment in the 15 clubs in the county is 251 boys and their efforts last year resulted in production approximately \$14,000 worth of crops and livestock. They will stress in the coming year more meat, milk and home gardens.

The Kiwanis Club awards presented by William Flohr were as follows: Defense Bond to Baust Club for their special activities in soil conservation and erosion work and a Defense Bond to the Westminster Club for their activities in the raising of baby beef.

A talk on "The Stars and Stripes" was given by Mrs. Gladys C. Wimer, using a theme Henry Holcomb Bennett's famous poem, "The Flag Goes By." She closed by leading in "God Bless America." Mrs. Wimer, as Chairman of National Defense through Patriotic Education, of the William Winchester Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, announced that the chapter would award good citizenship medals at the next annual meeting to the outstanding 4-H boy and girl. The medal is based on five points, the qualifications being: honor, service, courage, leadership and scholarship.

E. G. Jenkins, State Boys Club Agent talked at length about State activities and the National 4-H Club program and State and National broadcasts on Saturday.

An inspiration 4-H Citizenship ceremony was conducted by Miss Hoffman, Mr. Rogers and Mr. Hull and

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DRIVE BY U. S. O. FOR FUNDS.

From November 11-25 in Carroll County.

The solicitation campaign for Carroll County, United Service Organization, got under way for the second annual drive on Wednesday, November 11, and will close November 25th. The campaign chairman for the County, G. Russell Benson, has urged that all workers begin this week and complete the drive in their respective districts over this period. Each district chairman has been informed of the quota to be raised in his district. He has also received all literature connected with the campaign.

In a number of the districts special workers' meetings have been held and the plan for their own campaign has been discussed and committees have been appointed to carry on the necessary work.

Mr. Benson with his campaign director, Mr. Scott S. Bair, has been spending the past three weeks in the preliminary activities leading up to the definite financial drive. Therefore the next two weeks will be a concentrated effort for funds. Carroll Co.'s quota is \$7,500. The slogan for last year still holds good: "Carroll County over the top—every district over the top."

Mr. Stewart Myers, Manager of the local WFMD Broadcasting Studio, will give flash announcements daily of the campaign from November 11 to 25th.

At the general meeting held Sunday afternoon in the library of the Westminster High School, Mr. Benson requested all chairmen to report to him after the first week's solicitation. This will be necessary in order for the County Chairman to follow the progress of the campaign.

Mrs. John Wood and her co-chairman Mrs. Albert Rothel, have sent personal letters to all the women's organizations in the county. This group last year did an excellent piece of work in the campaign.

The following workers have volunteered in Taneytown, Middleburg and Uniontown districts to solicit funds for this much needed war-time service:

Taneytown Dist. No. 1—Mrs. Elwood Baumgardner, Chairman; Daniel Alexander, Mrs. Bernard Arnold, Charles Arnold, Miss Amelia Annan, Murray Baumgardner, Elwood Baumgardner, Samuel Breth, Mrs. Walter Bower, Alton Boston, Jack Crapster, Norman Devillbiss, Edgar Essig, Merwyn Fuss, Murray Fuss, Mrs. W. Hopkins, Mrs. Clyde Hesson, Mrs. Carroll Hess, Norman Hess, Geo. J. Harman, Mrs. Kenneth Koutz, Mrs. James Lord, A. C. Leatherman, Harry Mohney, James Myers, Charles Ritter, Howell Royer, David Smith, Miss Mae Sanders, James Sanders, Thomas Tracey, Mrs. Grace Myers.

Uniontown Dist. No. 2—Harold Smelser, Chairman; Rev. John Hoch, Rev. George Bowersox, Rev. Paul Warner, Harry Pogle, Mrs. Helen Myers, Miss Dorothy Crumbacker, Mr. Joseph Weller, Miss Kathryn Myers, Miss Lauretta Wantz, William Flohr.

Middleburg Dist. No. 10—Frank Alexander, Chairman; Charles Cluts, Charles Ritter, Clarence Stonesifer, Frank Bohn, H. C. Putman.

THE SURPLUS

The Maryland Public Expenditure Council is attempting to have the surplus in the State Treasury used to reduce State taxes, rather than for additional expenditures. It says: "The State surplus is now approximately \$10,000,000. That \$10,000,000 is your money. It represents an over charge you have paid for the government service you received from the State."

"What shall be done with that \$10,000,000? Shall it be returned to you in the form of reductions in State tax rates, or shall it be frittered away on new services or in making old services more expensive to you?"

"It is up to you to decide! You may remain silent while the spenders dissipate this vast sum or you may exercise your democratic rights and have your State taxes reduced. Spenders are already at work. Press reports indicate department heads want more money next year. The school teachers want more money. The state police head wants 130 new troopers."

The taxpayers are urged to write the Governor and their representatives in the Senate and House of Delegates urging them to return the surplus to the taxpayers and to reduce expenditures to bare necessities during the war.

NO AUTO INSPECTION THIS YEAR

According to a recent announcement by Motor Commissioner W. Lee Elgin, Maryland motorists will not be required to have their automobiles inspected before obtaining license tags for 1943-44. A serious shortage of capable mechanics in garages was given as the chief reason for discontinuing the annual inspection this year.

JOHN J. REID WRITES

On 25th Anniversary of Leaving Taneytown.

Just 25 years ago, to the day, on which this letter appears in the Record, I left the old town where we had resided for 37 years, and a day later, landed in this city, which at that time seemed so far away, and in which I have had to meet many experiences that I had not thought of then. To my mind, not having been acquainted with any large city, except Baltimore, which is built on entirely different lines (at least that part of it that I knew anything about) from the part of Detroit, that we lived in since coming here, I was under the impression that we would hardly ever see a blade of grass, an impression of which I am occasionally reminded of by my family, and which I now know was entirely wrong, especially now, when my grasscutter is in the Army, for all the homes in this residential section of the city have large lawns, in front and back, and the grass grows pretty fast too.

In fact I have found that, in a good many ways, Detroit is not a bad place to live, but in my estimation is not to be compared with any small town, especially Taneytown. To any one who likes lots of friends, the small town always is way ahead of any large city. But to any one who is able to work, and likes factory life, our city is just the place for him, especially when times are good. Even to the loafer and those who hate work, the large city is just the place, as they can go on Welfare and live pretty comfortably. But to those who like lots of friends, as I said before, and are assured of a good living in a small town, I advise them (especially one who is living in and around the old town) to think twice before changing to life in a large city, a statement I have made many times before, and which is made at this time for emphasis only.

In thinking back over these 25 years, I find that many changes have been made in that time. When we left for Detroit, I had no idea that I would ever get back to even see the old town again. But I have been agreeably surprised to find that quite a number of visits have been made, and most enjoyable ones they have been too. The only sad note in my last visit was the fact that so few of my old comrades and friends of my youth are left. All but one or two of the school teachers, who met weekly in the old school-house to exchange ideas and experiences have passed on. And not only these friends, but many more I missed.

Before and after my serious illness, I was unable to sleep well, and would often think of them, and wonder just who are still in the land of the living. And sometimes comes the thought that maybe they are better off than those of us that are left to see and hear what our country has had to face in the last few years.

In a large city like Detroit, as it is now, with everyone who is able to work, or who is not in the armed forces of the U. S., moving about at a pace that is almost unbelievable, many accidents are daily occurring; one of these occurred just a short time ago, when a fast passenger train ramed into a D. I. R. bus, crowded with mostly women and school children; killing 16 and injuring 27 more, some very seriously. As all the Eastern papers carried an account of this accident, I will not describe how it happened. But I want to call your attention to the carelessness of those in authority in this city in safeguarding railroad crossings, such as the one at which this terrible accident happened.

There are nearly one hundred such grade crossings in this city, most of them unguarded, except maybe by a flasher light. Since this last accident, the officials are talking of many ways to safeguard the lives of motorists and bus riders, but I guess, in the end, not much will be done. In our opinion, neither the engineer of the fast train, or driver of the bus in this case, were to be blamed, but only the short-sightedness of the city, street railways and steam road, are to be blamed.

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Random Thoughts

(This is a reprint of an article formerly published. Owing to the popularity of these Random Thoughts we will for a time reproduce others of the same type.)

HOBBIES AND HABITS

Some think there is not much difference between the two, but while there are good and bad in both, we believe the hobby has the best reputation, by far. Of course, we habitually do things, good and bad, but our hobbies are the more likely to be exercised out in the open and to be for pleasure or profit, in plain view.

For instance, we have a hobby for collecting things or making them. We have a hobby for doing something, or going to places or specializing in some particular line, without concealment. We can almost foretell what a hobbyist can be depended on to do and where he will be found at certain times.

Of course, we must know both the habits of some and hobbies of others. We can hardly think of one lying, or drinking, as a hobby; but we do remember such actions as habits. After all, common old-time honesty and truth, whether as a hobby or habit, is the main consideration.

P. B. E.