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COMMUNITY LOCALS

This column is not for use in advertising any money-making program, fair, supper, party or sale. It is intended for news, personals, and such matters as may be of community interest.

Churches are especially given free use of our Church Notice Column, for brief notices concerning regular or special services. Large events will be cared for elsewhere in our columns.

Miss Nelda Long, of Thurmont, Md., is visiting Miss Alice Hitchcock this week.

T. C. LeGore was taken to the Gettysburg Hospital on Monday for treatment for hernia, suffered while at work.

Miss Idona E. Mehring, R. N., of Dundalk, spent the Christmas week-end with her parents, on East Baltimore Street.

Mrs. Richard Ohler returned home on Saturday, after spending a few days last week with Mrs. Virgie Ohler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Jester announced the arrival of a daughter at the Annie Warner Hospital, Gettysburg, on Christmas morning.

Miss Mary Shum, R. N., Baltimore, Md., is spending the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Shum, 12 Middle St.

Miss Audrey Ohler, Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, spent from Friday until Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ohler, Baltimore St.

Mrs. Charles Hockensmith, of town and Mrs. F. B. Twisden, Gettysburg, spent their Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Roop and family, of New Windsor.

Ens. John E. Chenoweth, Naval Air Station, Grosse Ile, Michigan, arrived home Thursday to spend a week's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Chenoweth.

At a Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Skiles and son, John Jr., guests were Mr. and Mrs. John H. Marker, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Fuss and Miss Alice Fuss.

Mrs. Jacob D. Null, of near town, who has been ill with bronchial pneumonia, was removed to the Hanover Hospital, on Wednesday evening, in an unconscious condition.

Little Barbara Eckard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Eckard who had been suffering with bronchial pneumonia, is able to be up, but her mother who is suffering with the grippe is still bedfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Griffith and daughters, Peggy and Mary Jean, of Hagerstown, Md., and Lewis Elliot, of Baltimore, spent the Christmas week-end at the home of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. F. T. Elliot.

S/1c Edward Leon Hill, U. S. Naval Barracks, Hingham, Mass., arrived here Thursday evening and remained with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Hill until Sunday morning. S/1c Hill had the good fortune of making the trip far as Baltimore in a large bomber plane.

Ralph E. Sentz, S/2c U. S. N., Portland, Me., spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Sentz, Sr. and family, of town; Mr. and Mrs. David Sentz and family, White Hall; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Sentz, Jr. and family, Harney, were also guests at the same place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leister entertained at dinner, on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baumgardner, son Robert, Jr., and Miss Sallie Mae Fowler, of Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Reindollar, Miss Mabel Leister, Mr. James Baumgardner, son, George; Mrs. Mary Wilt and Miss Shirley Wilt.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Hess, of Baltimore, were week-end guests of Rev. and Mrs. Thurlow W. Null. Guests at the Null home on Christmas Day were: Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wantz, Mrs. Raymond Wantz, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Reaver, Mr. Norman Hess, Misses Catherine Hess and Arlene Reaver and Messrs. Ivan and Joseph Reaver.

The Harney United Brethren Church will give its Christmas program this Sunday night at the church, at 7:30 p. m. The service was called off on account of the icy weather last Sunday. The program will consist of recitations, readings and carols with the candle-lighting service as the closing portion of the program. The public is cordially invited.

The Christian Endeavor Societies of Grace Reformed Church will again sponsor the annual "Watch-night" Service, to be held at the Reformed Church on Friday evening, December 31, beginning at 11 o'clock. The service will continue until midnight when the new year will be ushered in with appropriate ceremony. This is a union service, and everyone in the community is cordially invited to be present. Also representatives of all the congregations will participate in the program.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to all those who sent me cards, letters, flowers, fruit and magazines while I was a patient at the Hospital.

MRS. HORACE D. WORLEY.

CHAMBER COMMERCE

Important Plans Made at Meeting for Local Project

The Taneytown Chamber of Commerce met in regular session Monday night in the Fireman's Building with a large attendance present and the following officers in charge: Merwyn C. Fuss, president; David Smith, vice president; B. J. Arnold, secretary, and Charles R. Arnold, treasurer. A final report on the successful annual banquet was presented. It was outstanding both as to attendance and program. The attendance was reported the largest in the history of the Chamber.

The Rev. Charles Owen of the service flag committee, presented the recommendations of the committee to erect a substantial memorial and honor roll for all members of the community in the armed service. The committee consisting of Merle S. Ohler, chairman; Denton Wantz, the Rev. Charles Owen, S. E. Breth and James Myers was authorized to proceed with their plans.

The work accomplished by the Chamber in the past year was reviewed and steps were taken toward realization of bigger projects for the coming year. In this connection the housing situation in Taneytown was discussed by Mayor Norville P. Shoemaker and others and it was decided to sponsor an organization for development purposes and erection of new houses during the coming twelve months.

Donations were voted to the county Boy Scout and U. S. O. funds. The Christmas party sponsored by the Chamber for children of the community which was held last Thursday afternoon was reported entirely successful. It took the form of a motion picture program. Harry Dougherty served as treat chairman.

Three new candidates were admitted to membership, Jacob Adams, Charles Smith and Charles Shildt, and the following new members were welcomed at their first meeting: Louis Reifsnider, David Hess, Vernon Flickinger and Denton Wantz.

Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of David Smith, James Baumgardner and Harry Dougherty.

WEEK OF PRAYER

The Protestant Churches of Taneytown will, as usual, observe the annual "Week of Prayer" with a series of services during the week beginning January 2. The schedule of time and place is as follows:

Sunday and Monday evenings, in the Lutheran Church.

Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in the United Brethren Church.

Thursday and Friday evenings in the Presbyterian Church.

Saturday and Sunday (January 9) evenings in the Reformed Church.

All services will begin at 7:30 p. m.

It is the desire of the respective pastors to make these Services "Prayer" Services rather than "Preaching" Services. Hence prayer will have a large part in the program. The people of the community are invited to attend these services of repentance and consecration.

TANEYTOWN R. D. MAN PROMOTED

Recently promoted to Staff Sergeant is Robert F. Shorb son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvey S. Shorb of Route 2, Taneytown, Md. He is a member of the 64th Two-Engine Flying Training Squadron here. S/Sgt. Shorb's wife is Helen P. Shorb.

Dodge City Army Air Field, home of the "Phi Bomma Kappas of the Skies" is a B-26 Marauder pilot school of the Army Air Forces Training Command. Selected fliers who have just graduated from advanced flying schools are trained at Dodge City Army Air Field to become First Pilots and Commanders of the hard hitting Marauder, speedy medium bomber.

"A RECIPE FOR THE WORLD AT LARGE"

What the world needs is a welcome guest
Not so much pose not so much strain
And a little bit more of Spiritual gain

For we are better off alive than we are dead
And lying beneath the mortal sod,
Also carrying with us the lesson of
Putting a little more faith in our "Creator God"

For it is He who guides o'er our stormy sea
And makes his light shine for you and me,
So we go down in history as Servants of his call.

And carry with us the remnants of the Winter's Spring and Fall; of our lives
Remembering as we sow so shall we reap,
And the best that's in us we must try and keep

It seems that's the way it is to me.
By D. R. ZEPP.

Dec. 22, 1943.

ADDRESS RATION BOOKS

Hundreds of lost ration books dropped in the mails by the finders are being sent to the dead letter office every month because owners failed to fill in their addresses on the covers, according to OPA. Every holder of a ration book should make certain that his current address is plainly written in the space provided for that purpose on the cover.

MANY ACCIDENTS ON ACCOUNT OF ICE

Three Men Killed at Points Not Far Away

Out of a total of 339 violent deaths recorded for the Christmas week-end in this nation, 216 were due to traffic accidents.

On Sunday folks awoke to find rain falling and freezing, and the roads and pavements covered with a sheet of ice that made traveling on foot almost impossible; and cars, even with chains could move only with great difficulty and danger.

The nearest victim of the icy roads was Maurice Bernard Smith, of New Windsor, aged 27, truck driver for the H. E. Koonz Creamery, Inc., Westminster, who was killed Sunday morning when the heavy tractor trailer truck which he was driving skidded and got out of control on the hill just beyond Finksburg while he was enroute on the Baltimore boulevard to the city. When the front part struck a culvert, the tank swung around and struck the cab crushing the driver against the steering wheel. Death was pronounced to have been instantaneous.

Due to the nature of the accident it was some time before the body could be extricated from the wrecked truck on Falls Hill. A heavy tow truck was secured from Baltimore to pull away the large tank filled with milk which was being taken from the creamery at Westminster to the Koonz branch along the Reistersburg road. The entire Koonz creamery force at Westminster assisted in the work and State Trooper I. K. Judy was on duty at the scene from 9:30 a. m. until 5 p. m.

Another disastrous wreck occurred Monday about noon when a truck carrying John S. Spangler, 65, and his son, Leonard L. Spangler 27, both of Hagerstown, skidded on West Middle Street, near W. Confederate Avenue, Gettysburg, crashing into a pole, killing both men instantly and demolishing the truck.

The men, father and son, were proprietors of a potato chip establishment in Hagerstown. Though by the time of the accident the road had removed most of the ice from the roads, it is believed the Spangler truck, just entering Gettysburg struck an icy spot with the result shown above.

It required twenty minutes for people who gathered to right the demolished truck and release the bodies which were taken to the Benic Funeral Home and afterward removed to an undertaking establishment at Williamsport, Md.

UNIONTOWN UNION MEETINGS

Week of Prayer, Jan. 2-9, every evening at 7:30. Cooperating churches: Bethel Church of God, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Pipe Creek Church of the Brethren, Uniontown Methodist Church.

Sunday, Jan. 2, in Uniontown Methodist Church. Sermon by Rev. Geo. E. Bowersox, Jr.

Tuesday, Jan. 4, in Uniontown Methodist Church. Sermon by Rev. Geo. E. Bowersox, Jr.

Wednesday, Jan. 5, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Sermon by Rev. Paul F. Warner.

Thursday, Jan. 6, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Friday, Jan. 7, in Bethel Church of God. Sermon by Rev. Marshall E. Breneman, director of Camp Nawanaw Biglerville, Penna.

Sunday, Jan. 9th, in Bethel Church of God. Sermon by Dr. Lester A. Welliver, president of Westminster Theological Seminary.

Special music at these services by a Union Choir; a cordial invitation to the entire community to participate in these meetings is given.

PRAYER

"If we live a life of prayer,
God is present everywhere".

That was a splendid tribute to our Christian Mayor, Hon. Theodore R. McKeldin—that Carroll Dulany paid him in the News-Post of Baltimore on June 8th. Yet it was as true as preaching and thoroughly appropriate. Theodore McKeldin is a living manifestation that a he-man can also be a praying man. My acquaintance with him goes back a quarter century or more, and never in all those years have I ever known him to do an unmanly act or even speak an unkind word of any one. His record is as clean as a hound's tooth and we may with confidence expect him to keep it so.

W. J. H.

MAY ADD COST OF JAR

Housewives will have to pay approximately 2 cents more per jar for fruits, berries, and vegetables sold in glass containers where the processor has started packing in glass since 1941. In packing in glass containers, processors incur greater labor costs.

EXTRA POINTS TO BUY PORK

Spare stamp 1 on the first page of War Ration Book Four is good for five points for the retail purchase of pork through January 1st. OPA validated this stamp to get the unexpectedly large civilian supply of pork into the hands of housewives.

SERVICE MEN LETTERS

Contain Season Greetings and Experiences

Dear Sir:
Well as usual I can't think of any thing to write but my address has changed again.

The weather is very cold here at the present time even though the sun is out. I still would like to receive the Carroll Record for there are many things I like to read, all about Taneytown.

I would be very thankful if you would please forward the Record to that address. Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
CPL. GEO. F. HAHN 33200624
Bty C, 910 F A Bn
A P O 85 B, Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

To The Carroll Record:

I really enjoyed my trip over here (Africa), even though it was very dangerous. When we landed the people cheered us, and you could see that they were glad to see us. But it is very odd the way some of them like we do in the United States. They were so happy not to be ordered around by a dictator, and when we treated a lot of them like we are treated back home they were happy and tried to show us how they appreciated it in so many ways. But I must say this much, we who live in the United States never realize how good we have it. Nothing to worry about, no dictator to tell us what we should do, or what we shouldn't do, what programs to listen to on the Radios, what foods we are allowed to eat, or what kind of schooling we should have? We never know what other people are made to do, things that they didn't want to do or were shot if they didn't do things they didn't want to do.

We who live in the United States should get on our knees and thank God that we live in a country where everybody, white or colored, can do as we please, such as the Freedom of speech and freedom of religion, and most of all freedom to do as we please. Every country should have a Bill of Rights. I am certainly glad that I am a citizen of the good old U. S. A.

Sgt. CURWOOD G. HILL 6994113
Co. L, 22nd Q. M. Rgt. (T. R.)
A. P. O. 782
New York, N. Y.

The Carroll Record,

Dear Sir:
I like to thank you and the staff for sending me the Carroll Record and wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Also through the Carroll Record I want to say to the citizens of Taneytown a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. The Carroll Record makes us boys who have been away for months and is good to hear the news from the old home town. But I hope before another year rolls around many of us boys can be back, as there is no place like home. I will be looking for in the following years as long as I am in the U. S. Army. Again I thank your staff for the good work which you all put into the paper, and for sending it to town boys in the service of U. S. A.

Pfc. JOHN O. GARNER
A. S. N. 33377954
Co. C 14th Inf. A P O 360
Camp Carson, Cal.

DAIRY AND CROP SCHOOL

Emergency feeding problems facing Carroll County dairymen who want to increase milk production in the national food production program will be discussed at a two-day feeding and feed production school scheduled for January 4 and 5, to be held over the City Restaurant, Westminster, near the railroad.

Mr. John W. Magruder, specialist of the Agronomy Department and Mr. George Ryatt, Jr., specialist of the Dairy Husbandry Department, University of Maryland, will conduct the school and lead the discussions.

A shortage of many feed ingredients especially high-protein feeds and the intensive drought experienced this past summer have created many problems for dairymen in this area says L. C. Burns, County Agent. Suggestions for formulating grain mixtures under present conditions will be given and dairymen are urged to bring their questions to this meeting. Opportunities for making greater use of high quality hay and improved pasture and silages in the ration will be emphasized.

These schools will run for two days with a morning and afternoon session. Each session will present something new and different and every dairymen and livestockman is urged to attend. The schools will start at 10:00 a. m. and will close promptly at 3 p. m.

American-type grapes have a skin and seed refuse of 22 percent, one-half of which (skins) could be saved. Grape skins are edible as raw fruit and also make excellent jam.

Lettuce has a refuse of 31 percent in stalks and outer leaves, three-fourths of which is estimated to be preventable waste. Leaves otherwise marred can be shredded and used with tossed salads.

Skins of rhubarb and cranberries should be left on in preparing them. Raw cranberries may be ground with apples and an orange, and sugared well, to make a good salad.

LT. WILLIAM SELL IN SOUTH PACIFIC

Writes of Army Life in That Area

Somewhere in New Guinea
December 16, 1943.

Dear Mr. Stonesifer:

I suppose you are really in the midst of a cold and dreary winter and don't I wish I had a little of it down here! But, as you go deeper and deeper into the cold weather, we are getting more into the summer season. And the heat is terrific.

Of course, we have plenty of rain—nearly every evening to be exact—but it is definitely not of the cooling type. And five minutes after the rain has ceased, there is no indication whatsoever that there was any at all. The hot, scorched earth drinks it up as fast as it comes down—indeed, there seems to be no end to the amount of water the ground can absorb.

We are quite happy down here despite the few hardships that we have to contend with. True, there isn't a one of us who isn't overly anxious to get back to the states, but as long as there's no possibility of that we take everything in our stride.

For recreation, we have movies four nights a week. Although they are not the latest, nor the greatest always, there is always a large attendance. The theater is an outdoor one—we've named it the "Star-Lite" and no matter what the weather, we don't miss a showing. Let it rain—what cares? What matter that we get drenched thoroughly—we're not going to miss a few hours of the only entertainment we have! For, with a little imagination, we can picture ourselves at some swanky theater back in the states—all horrors of war forgotten. But we are suddenly jarred back to reality at the picture's end, when we slowly make our way back to our "homes."

Our homes are tents, as it is impracticable to build permanent buildings when it may be necessary to move forward at any time. But we have done wonders with the canvas! Without exaggerating, we do have tents that would satisfy even the most particular.

We have our clubs—frequent dances (the girls for which are Army nurses, even though none too plentiful for the number of men that attend) and occasionally some Australian stage and radio personality as an added attraction. Some of the stage and radio stars are fairly good, in their own Australian way, but there are none who would compare with even the poorer class of entertainers in the States. The comedians have a dry sense of humor, and none of them have the knack of telling a joke or story in the manner to which we have been accustomed in the States.

The bulk of our heavier work is done by the native, and unfortunately, they are becoming too "educated" for our own good. At first, they would work for tobacco; slowly we got to paying them a small sum for each day's work (usually about 10¢). But now they ask for more—indeed, we've even had some minor experiences with strikes here in the wilds of New Guinea.

I could go on and say more, but I'll keep that for another time, or else I won't have an occasion to write. And, by writing to you, through your paper I can keep in touch with all my friends of the community.

So, then, until next time (who knows it may be from Rabaul?) I am sincerely,

BILL SELL.

PROCEEDINGS ORPHANS' COURT

The last will and testament of Elias H. Phillips, deceased, was admitted to probate and letters testamentary were granted unto Margaret C. Phillips, who received order to notify creditors and warrant to appraise real estate.

Letters of administration on the estate of Flora Markle, deceased, were granted unto Horatio A. Albaugh and Arthur F. Albaugh, who received order to notify creditors and warrants to appraise goods and chattels and real estate.

Ancillary letters testamentary on the estate of Louisa Kump, deceased, were granted unto Allen C. Wiest, who received order to notify creditors and warrant to appraise real estate.

The sale of leasehold estate in the estate of Mary B. Masenhimer, deceased, was finally ratified by the Orphans' Court.

Letters of administration d. b. n. c. t. a., on the estate of Lewis P. Manning, deceased, were granted unto William A. Manning.

Letters of administration on the estate of John P. Manning, deceased, were granted unto William A. Manning, who received order to notify creditors and warrant to appraise real estate.

Lula M. Mullinix, administratrix of the estate of Edwin W. Mullinix, settled her second administration account.

Dock, Swiss chard, and dandelion greens have little waste if used promptly, or washed and stored cold. The heavy midribs of chard can be removed and used in place of asparagus.

Apple peelings should be saved for jellies and jams.

DAY OF PRAYER

New Year's Day Again Set Apart by the President

President Roosevelt has proclaimed January 1 as a National Day of Prayer for "strength and guidance for the problems of widening warfare and for the responsibilities of increasing victory."

The text of the proclamation, made public recently, by the White House, follows:

"At the end of the year 1943, which has not only made manifest the devotion and courage of our nation's sons but has also crowned their efforts with brilliant success on every battlefield, it is fitting that we set aside a day of prayer to give thanks to Almighty God for His constant providence over us in every hour of national peace and national peril.

"At the beginning of the new year 1944, which now lies before us, it is fitting that we pray to be preserved from false pride of accomplishment and from willful neglect of the last measure of public and private sacrifice necessary to attain final victory and peace.

"May we humbly seek strength and guidance for the problems of widening warfare and for the responsibilities of increasing victory. May we find in the infinite mercy of the God of Our Father some measure of comfort for the personal anxieties of separation and anguish of bereavement.

"Now, therefore, I, Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Saturday, the first day of January, 1944, as a day of prayer for all of us in our churches, in our homes and in our hearts, those of us who walk in the familiar paths of home those who fight on the wide battlefields of the world, those who go down to the sea in ships and those who rise in the air on wings."

Governor O'Connor followed the President's proclamation with one of his own fixing two days, January 1 and 2 as days of prayer. After the usual preamble the proclamation of the Governor says:

"Now, therefore, I, Herbert R. O'Connor, Governor of the State of Maryland, do hereby proclaim Saturday, January 1 and Sunday, January 2, 1944, as Days of Prayer in Maryland, and urge our people collectively in their places of public worship and individually in their homes, to pray that God our Father will strengthen and protect the members of our armed forces on land and sea and in the air; comfort and sustain those at home who bear the heavy burden of sorrow; keep us united as a people with a common purpose to defend and preserve our heritage; give us the courage to go steadily on until Victory is won; and then, wisdom to unite with all other nations of good will to establish a peace that shall endure."

EXTEND HOG PRICE SUPPORT

Good and choice butcher hogs weighing 270 to 300 pounds will be included in the price support program according to WFA. This temporary emergency measure became effective December 23 and is expected to encourage the more orderly marketing of hogs and to relieve the congested conditions existing in many of the principal markets. The action is intended to protect farmers from prevailing heavy discounts for hogs weighing over 270 pounds. The hog support program previously applied to good and choice hogs weighing 200 to 270 pounds. WFA requested that hogs weighing less than 200 pounds be kept off the market until congested conditions are relieved.

In darkness there is no choice. It is light that enables us to see the difference between things; and it is Christ that gives us light—J. C. and A. W. Hare.

Liquid from all greens makes a good base for cream soups, or a valuable addition to stock pots.

Ration Reminders

Gasoline—In 17 east coast states A-8 coupons are good through Feb. 8. In states outside the east coast area A-9 are good through January 21.

Sugar—Stamp No. 29 in book Four is good for 5 pounds through Jan. 15th.

Shoes—Stamp No. 18 in Book One good for 1 pair. Stamp No. 1 on the airplane sheet in Book Three is good for 1 pair.

Fuel Oil—Period 1 coupons are good in all regions through January 3. Period 2 coupons are good through February 7 in all areas except the South, where they are good through January 24. Period 3 coupons, now valid in the Middle West and South, remain good through Mar 13 in the Middle West and through February 21 in the South. Period 3 coupons become valid in the East and far West on January 4th.

Meats, fats—Brown stamps L, M, N, P and Q are good through January 1st. Brown stamp R is good through January 29. Brown stamp S becomes good January 2 and remains good through January 29. Spare stamp 1 on the first page of War Ration Book 4 is good for 5 points for the purchase of pork through January 1st.

Processed Foods—Green stamps D, E and F in Book Four are good through January 20.

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DOES MORGENTHAU "RUN" THE COUNTRY?

Secretary of Treasury Morgenthau denounced the action of Congress in passing a tax bill of \$2,284,000,000 when he had asked for \$10,500,000,000. He indicated that there were good prospects for Presidential veto.

The Treasurer also attacked the liberalized contract renegotiation act which the Congress felt necessary in order to recapture profits. The "smartest thing business can do" said Morgenthau, is to leave the renegotiation law alone "unless business executives want to spend the rest of their lives on the Hill before investigating committees."

The trouble with Mr. Morgenthau is that he has stood by and supported all the extravagant and wasteful propositions of the New Deal since 1933. In view of that record he is at a great disadvantage when he tries to influence the public to turn its back on Congress.

Congress isn't perfect either, but when it slashed Morgenthau's 10-1/2 billion dollar taxation monstrosity it served the country well.

BILL OF RIGHTS

More interest was manifested in the anniversary of the Bill of Rights this year than we have ever noticed. Not being an ever century or half century since the Bill—the first ten amendments to our Constitution—took effect, we wonder why.

We believe the answer is to be found in the disposition of persons in authority to ignore those rights, and we are glad that emphasis is being laid upon them, and a tendency shown to defend the fundamental rights of American citizens.

Among the pertinent comments that we have noticed was a brief address by Judge James E. Boylan, Jr. of Carroll County, at a celebration of the anniversary by the Carroll County Bar.

Judge Boylan said, among other things:

"It is common knowledge that Federal agencies are administering relief in every city and hamlet of this country, directing the farmers what crops they may sow, investigating and regulating conditions of employment in local factories, supervising the operation of state systems of unemployment insurance, examining transactions between individual citizens, leading public funds to private individuals and myriad activities. Governmental power has become so centralized in Washington that the states have become virtually subordinate agencies of the Federal government, and their activities are largely limited to local fiscal regulation and to the exercise of police powers.

"Today the Congress passes whatever legislation it thinks expedient with little or no thought of the limitations imposed by the constitution. "Congress by the Constitution is given the power to levy taxes for the common defense and the general welfare, and when it levies a tax the Courts cannot pass upon the political discretion of Congress as to whether the levy is for the general welfare or for the welfare of any individual or class. Under the pretext of levying for the general welfare, the Congress makes appropriations which, while of advantage to some special class or interest, are not so much for the general welfare as to justify the action.

"Many of us have been lulled into a false sense of security by believing the Supreme Court, through its decisions, will preserve the Constitution. But it must be borne in mind that the Supreme Court renders no decisions, except in litigated cases, and many statutes violative of the Constitution are passed and become operative, and no litigation arises to cause the Court to pass upon the constitutionality of the Act. Even in a litigated case the Court refrains from declaring an act unconstitutional unless its repugnance to the Constitution is clear beyond any reasonable doubt.

"Our liberty and freedom are being frittered away by subtle promises of benefits. It is time for each

and every one of us to be reminded that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty, to realize that we are the custodians of our own destiny and that this responsibility has not been delegated to any political agent."

TRUE PATRIOTISM

What is patriotism? This seems a pertinent question in this season when the Christian world, now embroiled in a war to beat back the forces of totalitarian paganism, celebrates, the nativity of One Who came into the world to enlist men under the banner of world brotherhood. His kingdom was of another world, yet He upheld patriotism when He said, "Render therefore unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's."

What, then, is patriotism? Is it waving a flag and singing a national anthem? Patriotism is more than that. Patriotism is faith—faith is one's own land, in its people, in its spiritual strength as distinct from its physical might, in its fitness to lead the people to the fullest measure of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Patriotism is hope—hope that calls on the people not to give up when the burden seems heavy, for then is the time to put trust in the ultimate hope that things will be better, that out of work and tears, yes out of bloodshed, a better nation will be built. Patriotism is, above all, charity—the recognition of and respect for the rights and privileges of other nations which might not be so powerful. Charity makes patriotism workable in a world of many nations and many peoples.

These three then—faith and hope and charity—are the components of real patriotism. Through them patriotism receives its character of national honor. Without them patriotism is as "sounding brass." Resting in the straw of a Bethlehem manager, a Holy Babe brought these virtues to the world. Let the world look back to that first Christmas and learn from it the fullest meaning of the anniversary that it is about to celebrate.

And let the world learn that patriotism, in the spirit of Bethlehem, leads to the world peace forever that men want above all things—The Frederick Post.

THE END OF THE WAR

The most pessimistic of those men who are in a position to know more than the general public about the progress of the war, predict that the war in Europe will be over in a year. The most optimistic still think the Germans might give up most any time and there are a large number of so-called war analysts who say that Germany will surrender before spring.

Those of us who know only what we read in the papers may find it difficult to see any basis for these predictions of early victory. We can see that the bombing of German cities might eventually unnerve the German people to the extent that they would prefer peace at any price to continued bombing. But most military leaders seem to feel that victory is impossible by air alone—that bombings can only soften Germany to make an invasion of Europe easier.

Most people in this country, realizing that a large scale invasion would undoubtedly mean a great loss of life, continue to cling to the hope that the war can be won without invasion. There are no good grounds on which to base that hope, but it does seem possible that, if bombings continue on the present scale, when the invasion does come it may be more in the nature of an "occupation" without great loss of life and immediately followed by final victory.—Rhoderick Papers.

TOKENS—THEN AND NOW

Mary was four and Johnny six when she had to beg to get him to leave off playing soldier and become groceryman to her housewife. Tugged in her mother's long dress and plumed hat, she would sweep grandly up to the counter of the toy grocery with all her wealth—those colored coins that served for money—clutched in sticky little hands. Even the cardboard stores had a goodly supply in those days. And though the red wooden steaks defied baby teeth, the cereals, in sample boxes, were genuine.

Soon Mary will be taking blue and red coins to market again—and not in play. Tokens, Uncle Sam calls them, and they will be given in exchange for ration coupons. They will jingle in her already super-filled purse, and undoubtedly will get mixed up with nickles and dimes and those confusing new pennies.

Grocery shelves will not be well stocked, and steaks today constitute a menace even to grown-up molars. But she patiently will keep on totting her tokens until Johnny can leave his guns once more and eagerly take his place behind the counter again—for keeps—Christian Science Monitor.

Automatic Pilot

Improves Bombing

Ruin Created in Air Raids Credited to Device.

NEW YORK.—Details of "one of America's best kept military secrets"—the use of an electronically controlled automatic pilot—were disclosed with army approval.

The device, said by the army air force to have been "one of the factors responsible for the devastation" in raids over Europe and Asia, provides a stable platform for high altitude bombing "of vastly increased accuracy," and its use was said to be "equivalent to a material increase in the number of planes participating in an attack."

The improvement was described by the army air force and the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator company at a luncheon here. The company co-operated with the army air force on its development after material command officials at Wright Field foresaw the need for a modified instrument capable of accurately controlling aircraft on high altitude precision bombing missions.

The disclosures were made in accordance with army policy of informing the public on major military developments when it is certain the enemy no longer is in the dark about them. Existence of the autopilot was unknown previously outside military services and the industrial organizations building and installing it. The improvement was accepted by the army air force in October, 1941, and for months was standard equipment on American heavy bombers and some types of bomber-trainer planes.

A spokesman said loss of some planes bearing the equipment made it reasonable to assume that the enemy knew essential facts about it.

Alfred M. Wilson, vice president in charge of the company's aeronautical division, described the autopilot as designed "to take over completely the duties of the pilot on bombing runs" and "to hold the plane on a designed course without wavering." He added that it was not designed to replace pilots, but to give them maximum protection.

Censor Gives a Dollar; Soldier's Wife Gets \$700

SOUTH BEND, IND.—The censor who placed a dollar in a letter containing two others which a soldier had mailed his family had no idea it was the nucleus of a welcome bank account.

Private Edward N. Kleitz, serving overseas, sent \$2 to a daughter in a children's home and asked her to pray for her mother, a patient in a tuberculosis hospital. The censor increased the amount to \$3—and persons far and wide read about it. Mrs. Kleitz reported that in the last few weeks they have sent her and her children \$700.

Yankee Doughnut Stand Beats Army to Salamaua

WITH ALLIED TROOPS AT SALAMAU, NEW GUINEA.—Soldiers call it "the Salamaua Salvation army," and it's been doing a roaring business. Somehow Red Cross workers John Taylor of Gramercy Park, N. Y., and Leo Schwartz of Washington, D. C., managed to get onto the Salamaua Isthmus ahead of the main body of American troops. They pitched their tent beside a huge shell crater on the beach and started hawking their coffee and doughnuts—as the amazed Americans piled off their landing boats.

Labor Saver

Clerk—Care to buy a nice letter opener, sir?
Customer—No, thank you. I don't need one. I'm married.

Old Army Game

Sentry—Halt! Who goes there?
Voice—A full quart.
Sentry—Advance, friend, with the stopper out.



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Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the Taneytown Garage Company that an election will be held for a Board of Directors at the office of the Company, on January 4th, 1944, between the hours of 1:00 and 2:00 P. M.

CLYDE L. HESSON,
President.

ANNUAL MEETING —OF— UNION CEMETERY ASS'N

The annual meeting of the Keyville Union Cemetery Association will be held Monday evening, Jan. 3, at 7 o'clock in the Lutheran Church, for the purpose of electing officers and transacting any other business.
C. R. CLUTS, Sec-Treas.
12-24-2t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll County, in Maryland, letters of Administration on the personal estate of

INA L. FEESER,
late of Carroll County, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are warned to exhibit the same with the vouchers thereof, legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 8th day of July, next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate.

Given under our hands this 7th. day of December, 1943.

WILLIAM G. FEESER,
LUELLA C. FEESER,
Administrators of the estate of
Ina L. Feeser, deceased.
12-10-5t

ENJOY AMERICA'S GREAT MAGAZINE IN NEW SIZE

With a greater variety of features than ever before The American Weekly now appears in new, streamlined size for wartime reading. Don't miss this great magazine in attractive new dress. The American Weekly is distributed with The Baltimore Sunday American. Order from your newsdealer.

Thanks

The telephone people want to thank you for your help in the Christmas rush on Long Distance.

We appreciate your co-operation in these war-busy days.

Over New Year's, too, please help keep Long Distance wires clear, especially this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Remember, there are no holidays for war—or the telephone.

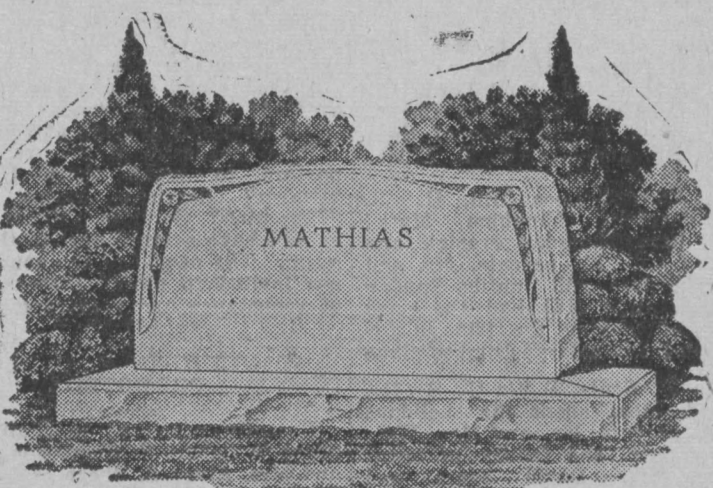
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Dougherty's Grocery

Spirit of Hope Symbolizes All New Year Rites

The observation of New Year's is universal, and although the precise date of its solemnization may vary among different races and creeds, the spirit of hospitality and hopefulness prevails traditionally.

Prior to China's adoption of the Gregorian calendar, the Chinese New Year was celebrated during the time of the first moon—around the first of February. Traditionally, all debts must be paid by midnight on New Year's Eve or "face" is lost on New Year's Day.

In the old days, the celebration began a week prior to the Eve when homage was paid to the Kitchen God and climaxed on the "fifteenth day of the First Moon" by "Teng Chieh," the Feast of Lanterns. The progression of festivities was accompanied by good conduct among young and old, parties and exchanges of greeting cards.

Hindus Celebrate in April.

The Hindus use a lunar calendar and solemnize their New Year toward the last of April. Many of the devout make pilgrimages to the Ganges and other holy streams for the purpose of washing away their sins, others offer propitiatory gifts to the gods in local temples, while feasting, exchanges of calls and greeting cards prevail among families and friends.

Rosh Hashana, the Jewish New Year, is one of the highest of Orthodox holy days. Also known as the Feast of Trumpets, the sounding of a ram's horn, the Shofar, calls the faithful to worship, reminding them of God's providence in caring for His people and rededicating them to His services. Rosh Hashana commemorates the Day of Creation and special prayers are offered in the synagogues for the restoration of Zion. In the home, the head of the house prays in behalf of his family over an apple or round loaf of bread which has been dipped in honey: the roundness thereof symbolizing the desire for a smooth and prosperous New Year.

January 'Two-Faced.'

The Gregorian month of January is the namesake of the two-faced Roman god accredited with the ability to look backward and forward simultaneously. New York city, on New Year's Eve, reflects the gaiety, toasting and meditation traditional to New Year's celebrations around the world.

The streets, particularly Broadway, are thronged with thousands of festival-minded persons, the hotels, etc., are crowded with parties and many gather in churches to welcome the New Year in prayer. As the clocks strike twelve, the noise-makers are blown full blast accompanied by the whistles on every ship, tug, etc., in the vicinity, joined by those of the surrounding communities.

Honor Norse Goddess.

Once upon a time, long before the Nordic tribes were converted to Christianity—maybe even before the Saviour was born—the tribesmen decked their lodgings with evergreens in honor of Hertha, Norse goddess of the home and domestic affairs. Hertha paid her annual visits during the time of the Winter Solstice and descended through the smoke which curled upward from the fir boughs burning upon a special altar of flat stones.

When the family and serfs were gathered before the blaze, Hertha would direct the person wisest in lore and legend to foretell the fortunes of those present.

For centuries the legend of Hertha's slippers survived in Germany. Cakes, baked in the shape of a slipper, were filled with candy and small gifts. Given to maidens and children, the slippers of Hertha supposedly bestowed the qualities of virtue, health and beauty.

American children may have never heard of Nordic Hertha, but rarely does a youngster hang up his Christmas stocking without worrying whether or not Santa Claus will be able to squeeze down the chimney.

Reduces File With Film
The Wilmington Institute Free Library has reduced its cumbersome, yellowing 72-year file of a local newspaper to 357 rolls of microcopy film, each about the size of a spool of thread. A total of approximately 285,000 pages of the Wilmington Journal-Every Evening, dating back to 1871, are recorded in these 357 rolls, each containing about 800 pages. They are stored in a standard file cabinet which takes up less than one 20th the space previously required for bulky volumes of the paper.

Develop New Corn
New types of corn adapted for growing in the tropical Americas are being developed by the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences in Costa Rica. Some of the most promising types have been found from among 78 varieties of Guatemalan corn. Some of the Guatemalan varieties quickly develop root systems, indicating unusual adaptability to tropical conditions encountered outside Guatemala.

Sign of Frost
It is hard to tell just when the first killing frost will strike. However the gardener usually gets fair warning. As a rule the first frost does little harm. It sings the leaves of the tender plants but leaves the fruits untouched. Once the leaf cover is gone, the gardener should lose no time in harvesting his tender crops; or the next frost will get them.

Smallest Balkan Nation
With the exception of Albania, Bulgaria is the smallest of the Balkan nations. It had an area in 1939 of a little less than 40,000 square miles, about equal to that of the State of Virginia. It occupies, however, a significant cross-link position between Rumania and Greece on one hand, and Yugoslavia and Turkey on the other.

Clip Shrinkage
The percentage of shrink is an important factor in the returns the sheep grower receives for his clip. At present prices a difference of even 1 per cent in shrinkage is equivalent to 1.2 cents per grease pound, or an average of 10 cents per sheep or \$120 per band.

Roots Need Moisture
Root vegetables need moisture to keep well. Carrots, beets, turnips, winter radishes, parsnips, salsify, celeriac will keep if stored in metal or wooden buckets or tubs, firmly packed in moist garden soil. Sand is not recommended, as it dries out too fast.

Needs Good Soil
They say that alfalfa is not a "poor land" crop but should be planted only on a fertile, well-drained soil that is medium heavy. If it is planted on bottom soils, where the water table is relatively high, the crop gets "wet feet" and the plants die out.

Blood Plasma
Plasma is the liquid part of the blood which, through processing, can be dried and carried in small packages—is instantly available for use on fields of action. Easily administered, it literally keeps death from the wounded.

Fatter Oysters
The armed services consume about 40,000 gallons of oysters a week, in season. Oysters will be larger and fatter because the New England beds have now entirely recovered from the effects of the 1938 hurricane.

Harvest Before Frost
Squash and pumpkins are best harvested and put in storage before the first killing frost. If they are kept in a dry, cool room or a frost-proof attic they should keep at least till January.

Early Armored Vehicles
For some time prior to World War I, marines used early forerunners of our present day armored vehicles . . . usually a reconstructed pleasure car sheathed in light armor plate.

Store in Dry Room
Be sure to store honey in a place that is dry and fairly warm. Don't put honey in the ice box. Low temperatures may make the honey crystallize and become cloudy.

Egg Belt
Farmers this year are asked to produce 57.3 billion eggs, enough to make a path of eggs 10 feet wide around the earth at the equator.

Use Nylon Rope
A nylon synthetic rope, stronger than manilla or sisal, is used as climbing rope by U. S. mountain troops.

Rabbit Feeds
Legume hay and a mixture of grains make the best combination of rabbit feeds, along with some green feed.

Raise Colored Cotton
Cotton in such natural colors as black, red and green has been raised on Russian experimental farms.

Rough Handling
Nearly all sweet potato storage diseases can be traced to rough handling at harvest time.

Losses in Shipping
The nation's shipping time losses are estimated at 150 million pounds of meat annually.

Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more;
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care, the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease;
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

—Lord Tennyson.

Stripped for Action 1944



This young son of a coast guardman stationed at Boston is shown as he greets the New Year. True to traditions of the coast guard, he is "stripped for action" as he wishes you a happy New Year.

Mummer's Parade Descendant From Early U. S. History

On New Year's Eve 1930 more than 300,000 persons watched the Mummer's parade in Philadelphia. There were 12,000 in the line of march down Bond street and the parade lasted from early evening until the wee hours of the New Year. The glamour and good-humored burlesque antics of the spectacle were far cries from what the uninitiated would expect to see in the staid Quaker City; nevertheless, the idea is descendant from Colonial days.

The earliest settlers along the Delaware river in the vicinity of present day Philadelphia were English and Swedes. The Mummer play "St. George and the Dragon" was traditional to the English celebration of New Year's: the Swedes were given to informal masquerades. It is not clear just when or how the Mummer play and the custom of masquerading joined forces; but after the Revolution, General Washington replaced St. George as the central figure of the festivities.

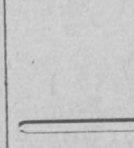
The whole thing was spontaneous and unorganized until, in 1886, it was sponsored by the Silver Crown New Year's association. In 1901, the Mummer's Parade was recognized by the municipal administration of Philadelphia, and officials and representative citizenry began turning out to participate in and witness the parade.

'Old China' Held Special New Year's Observances

In old China, New Year's was a very important festival: a time for taking stock of oneself, balancing accounts, "turning over a new leaf," visiting and giving parties, etc.

The celebration really began a week before the "first day" when homage was paid to the Kitchen God, whose paper effigy was ceremoniously burnt in order that his spirit might ascend to heaven through the smoke and report the conduct of each member of the family. Taking no chances, the children smeared the god's face with molasses before they burnt him to guarantee the sweetness of his report.

New Year's Eve has always been one of the busiest days of the year among the Chinese. All financial obligations must be met—a debtor on New Year's Day loses "face": and that is about the worst tragedy that can befall an Oriental. So, the stores and accounting houses are open until midnight and firecrackers pop throughout the community.



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Undue Optimism is hardly justified, but, looking into our crystal ball, we see better days ahead. In the light of this fact we say Happy New Year with the old-time spirit. May the best of everything come your way in 1944.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

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ONE'S "home may be frail: its roof may shake, the wind may blow through it, the storms may enter, the rain may enter", but at New Year's even such a home may be alight with cheer.

Standing on the threshold of 1944 there is reason to believe that the new chapter has brighter pages for all. With this thought we extend to all OUR SINCERE NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

The Economy Store

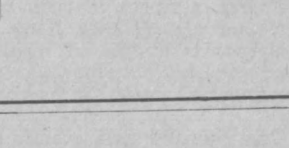
NOTICE TO DEPOSITORS

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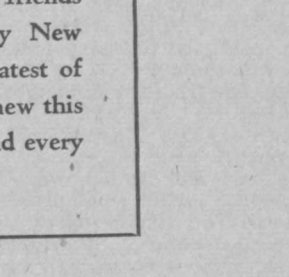
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CORRESPONDENCE

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 Fast Mail, west on W. M. R. R., Thursday morning. Letters mailed on Thursday evening may not reach us in time.

All communications for this department must be signed by the author; not for publication, but as evidence that the items contributed are legitimate and correct. Items based on mere rumor, or such as are likely to give offense, are not wanted.

LITTLESTOWN.

George W. Krug, Kingsdale, who has been confined to bed at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Samuel Coffman, suffering with pneumonia, is slightly improved. Mr. Krug is 97 years old, and a veteran of the Civil War.

Lt. C. Woodrow King, who recently was graduated as a Navigator and received his commission at Hondo, Tex., has reported for duty at an air field at Casper, Wyo., after spending a furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Elmer King.

Sylvania Lodge of Odd Fellows, conducted a Christmas party Monday evening. Small gifts were exchanged.

The flu and bad cold situation is improving with the cold weather last week. There are still a lot of people sick.

Milton Myers was suddenly stricken with paralysis while driving his car. His son-in-law who was riding with him took charge of the wheel and averted an accident. He was removed to his home, near Silver Run, where he is confined to his bed.

The F. O. E. Lodge is sending a Christmas gift to each member of the lodge just as fast as they can obtain their addresses. The gift is a Postoffice Money Order.

St. Paul Lutheran Church held a Christmas evening program at 11 o'clock.

Germany Township received from the State \$1,359.99 for tuition for its High School pupils.

Mrs. Harry M. Badders, Sr., received word of the sudden death of her sister, Mrs. Amos Damback, of Columbia, Pa.

Mrs. Paul R. Hann, R. D. 2 has been discharged from the Annie M. Warner Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Shoop, Mt. Joy, spent Christmas with Mrs. Shoop's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Sauerhammer.

Eugene H. Spalding, formerly of Littlestown, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Raymond F. Topper, Hanover, aged 76 years. Funeral was held Monday morning in St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Littlestown. The Rev. Rev. John H. Weber, celebrant. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Ada R. Myers, wife of Harry G. Myers, died at her home in Germany Township, R. D. 1, on Saturday at noon. Death followed an extended illness. She was 65 years old. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at the J. W. Little and Son Funeral Home. The Rev. D. S. Kammerer, her pastor, officiating. Interment was made in Christ church cemetery.

Hon. Charles H. Duttera, a former business man and prominent resident of Littlestown, who for the past few years resided in Baltimore, died Friday afternoon in the Baltimore City Hospital. He was aged 86 years. He was active in business interests of the town, also active in politics having served several terms in the House of Representatives at Harrisburg. He is survived by his wife, Emma Myers Duttera, Philadelphia. The funeral was held at the J. W. Little and Son Funeral Home, Monday morning. The Rev. John C. Brumbach, officiating. Interment was made in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

The Geisler Furniture Store was closed till Thursday on account of the death of Mr. Geisler's father, Aaron L. Geisler.

Charles U. Powell, died Friday afternoon at his home near Silver Run, at the age of 71 years. Death followed an illness of three months. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon in the Meadow Branch Church of the Brethren. The Rev. F. R. Siebel officiated. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year. May happiness and may health follow you in 1944.

FEESERSBURG

Christmas is past—so long planned for and over so soon. No snow on the ground, no Sunshine over head; but there was special services in the churches, sweet carols everywhere, many family reunions and gifts too numerous to mention—and no one forgotten that we've heard of. Too bad that so many were sick with the grippe that spoiled their plans, but let's look for the silver lining to our clouds and get well soon.

Then on Sunday there was a gentle rain freezing as it fell until night fall when we were living in a crystal maze and the world about us was brilliantly beautiful; but a rising temperature took most of it away during the night.

Regardless of the inclemency and sleet there was Sunday School at Mt. Union on Sunday morning and while the church was not over crowded, the Superintendent was in charge and they had a fine Christmas lesson. At the close a small treat of fruit and candy was distributed to the school.

The Christmas Service of the Methodist S. S. in Middleburg was given last Thursday evening, and was very good, but as Haugh's Church and Kewville held theirs the same time, it was not as well attended as usual. Reva, Colwell and Allen were present, the children did their parts well—under the leadership of Mrs. Reda Bostian and Mrs. Reda Six, with assistants; the

church was nicely trimmed with pine and a lighted tree, gifts of candy and oranges were given the school; and an exchange of gifts between scholars and teachers. Mrs. Ruth Repp Six was organist.

At the funeral of Mrs. Katie Williams Graham at Mt. Union on Wednesday of last week, her pastor, Rev. Bowersox spoke from the text, "She hath done what she could." The family of Henry and Amanda Williams grew up in this community, and all were present at the service except the oldest, Mrs. Emma W. Koons who was indisposed at her youngest daughter's home in Uniontown. The oldest brother, Irvy E. passed away 28 years ago. Byron Hartzler, the undertaker, sang "We are going down the Valley" and "Jesus Lover of My Soul." There were beautiful flowers and the body was laid to rest near her parents in the adjoining cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lesight were at her home from Friday to Sunday noon—a brief visit from military camp in W. Va., but all the Ross Wilhide family were together for Christmas, and they enjoyed every minute.

Our little "Guard" is growing amazingly, and lively enough to carry everything around within her reach. Suppose the ground hog has gone to sleep for the winter as we see no more of him.

As far as possible with their son, Sgt. Cleatus Grider away in service at Berryfield, Nashville, Tenn., the Maurice Grider family had a get-together with a few friends for Christmas. They exchanged splendid gifts and enjoyed a feast of good things to eat. Mrs. Grider is slowly recovering from this epidemic and was able to be with them.

We heard some good concerts on the air, and fine sermons on Sunday; but to test one's metal the best Radio went blank for Christmas, and we were much like the woman who was looking at the wheelbarrow—and her husband said—"Now you stay away from that for you don't know anything about machinery."

Miss Ruth Utermahlen, of Baltimore, was with her sister, the C. S. Wolfe's over the week-end but couldn't get about even to church—because of inclement weather.

Misses Catherine and Frances Crumbaker attended a Christmas party given the defense workers at Uniontown on Friday afternoon, by the proprietor, Mr. Wilbur Halter, and all were treated royally. About 50 persons were present and feasted on the best of good food and enjoyed social fellowship.

Miss Mary Bostian of the Womans Hospital, Baltimore, has been home on sick leave the past two weeks and not well yet, following a siege of the Flu—hives beset her and they are stubborn and a misery.

The carol singing and music by the Hartzler Bros. in Middleburg Church which had been announced for Sunday evening did not take place—because of very unsafe condition of the roads, and inclemency. There were many accidents.

This is the last week of the old year—which brought many adventures to all—joy and pleasure, suffering and sorrow. Many began this earth-life and many departed from it, and there were blessings for all. The future is all untold, yet we enter it hopefully—Praying for Peace on Earth.

The Misses Mary Repp and Gloria Fleagle were home from the city with their parents in Middleburg for the week-end and Christmas dinner.

To one and all a good New Year of Health and Happiness.

NEW WINDSOR

The Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Presbyterian Church, on Sunday, Jan. 2, at 11 a. m.

Buddy Petry enlisted in the Navy and reports for service Jan. 15th. Mr. White reports for the Army, Jan. 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Engler spent Sunday in Baltimore at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gary.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Metcalf, are visiting their son and wife, in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hull, entertained a number of guests to dinner at their home on Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Roop entertained on Xmas Day Mrs. Frank Twisden, of Gettysburg, and Mrs. Charles Hockensmith, Taneytown.

Thomas Bennett and wife, of Philadelphia, Pa., were dinner guests of Dr. Geatty, on Monday evening.

Miss Louise Snader, spent the week-end with friends near Keymar. Miss Helen Saylor, of Westminster, called on friends in town last week one day.

Mrs. Eva Rhoades, of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end here with her mother, Mrs. W. Cora Stouffer.

Miss Eleanor Marsh, student at Western Maryland College, is spending the Xmas holidays at her home here.

Mrs. Lulu Smelser who has been sick for several months, shows no improvement.

Miss Betty Jane Roop a student of nursing at the Md. University Hospital, Baltimore, is spending the Christmas holidays here at the home of her parents, H. C. Roop and wife.

Miss Emma Ecker is visiting her brother, Rev. Harry Ecker and wife, at Gettysburg, Pa.

Miss Alice Reigler who stays with Mrs. Fannie Nicodemus, is visiting friends and relatives near Taylorsville, Md.

Miss Sara Baile of Baltimore, spent the holiday here with her parents, J. S. Baile and wife.

LINWOOD.

Rev. Elmer Keck and family enjoyed a 15 lb goose Christmas Day a gift from one of his members.

C. R. Etzler and family, moved from our little village Tuesday to their newly purchased home in Frederick. We regret parting with these good friends and neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Quessenberry delightfully entertained the Linwood Planning Group Wednesday evening. This was their annual Christmas party.

Miss Emma Garner enjoyed Xmas Day in the home of G. Fielder Gilbert, Uniontown.

C. W. Binkley and family spent Christmas Day with Mr. Binkley's parents, Middleburg, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. George Starr were among the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Reese, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Englar motored to Hagerstown, Christmas Eve and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Brayden Ridenour.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bowman entertained their children and grand children Christmas Day. Needless to say this was a most pleasant affair.

The White Gift Pageant "Miriam's Vision" was well given by the young people of the Linwood Brethren Church to a crowded house. This was indeed a most beautiful and impressive service.

Harry Baugher is enjoying a trip to Florida with friends.

The Missionary Society of the Linwood Brethren Church held their Christmas party Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Harry Baugher. Gifts were exchanged and tempting refreshments were served. Mrs. Harry Baugher and Mrs. C. S. Englar entertaining committee.

Mrs. Minnie Garner entertained a few friends Tuesday evening.

To the Editor and Staff a very Happy New Year.

UNIONTOWN

The John Albaugh's entertained the following on Christmas Day: Mr. and Mrs. Ira Albaugh and family, Mr. and Mrs. Levine Carbaugh and family, Mr. and Mrs. Upton Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Albaugh and Harold Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray LeGore, daughters, Bonnie and Regina, Silver Run, and Mrs. Evan Smith, Westminster, were guests on Christmas Day of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith. Mrs. LeGore and daughters remained over the week-end.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Devilliss and family on Christmas Day included Mr. and Mrs. J. Snader Devilliss, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Devilliss, Miss Margaret Devilliss, Philadelphia, and Bernard Devilliss.

The Raymond Kaetzel family, of Boonsboro, are spending the holidays at the G. Fielder Gilbert home. Miss Emma Garner, Linwood was a dinner guest on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Heltebride entertained in honor of their daughter, Thyra who was married on Friday evening to Louise Lignor, Baltimore. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Louise Lignor, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Heltebride, Hagerstown; Roy Singer and Dicky Welty.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard West and son, Barton, Baltimore, are visiting the H. B. Fogle's.

Grip victims include Mrs. John Shuey, Mrs. John Hoch, G. Fielder Gilbert and Barton West.

The Week of Prayer will start on Sunday evening with services in the Methodist Church. See church notices.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Powers, of Baltimore, visited on Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. William Caylor.

Due to the tragic death of Maurice Bernard Smith the Christmas service which was to have been given at Pipe Creek Church has been cancelled.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Myers Englar and Miss Betty Englar were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rinaldo Repp, Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haines were delightfully surprised to receive holiday greetings by telephone from their daughter, Lt. Doris V. Haines WAC at Stockton Air Base, Calif.

The Samuel Talbert family, Silver Spring, were callers in town, Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Paul F. Warner and family, visited friends in Baltimore and Linthicum Heights on Christmas afternoon.

Dr. C. Gardner Warner and family of Baltimore, spent Thursday afternoon and evening at the Methodist parsonage.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul F. Warner attended the Christmas party for the Seminary faculty at the home of President Welliver, Monday evening.

WOODBINE.

Due to the weather conditions the Christmas entertainment which was to be held in Calvary Lutheran Church was postponed until Tuesday night, December 28th.

Morgan Chapel held their exercises on December 21, "Christmas Around the World," was presented to a large audience, and was very interesting.

Samuel Gosnell who had been in the University Hospital, Baltimore, since October came home for Christmas, very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fleming entertained their two sons and families, of Baltimore during the holidays.

Miss Jane Chaney and Earl Palmer and wife, of this place are spending this week with relatives in Baltimore.

Alton Gosnell and family were entertained to a turkey dinner Christmas day at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gosnell, Mt. Olive.

Quite a lot of people are housed in with bad colds.

Mrs. George Buckingham who was very ill from a heart attack is better.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grimes have closed their house and have gone to stay with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Harrison. Mr. and Mrs. Grimes are old and not so well, therefore were not able to do for themselves.

Mrs. Marie (Crum) Wyatt who had been staying with her husband in Texas the past few months returned home. Mr. Wyatt left for overseas. How sad to see these young husbands leave. Hope they all will return again.

Miss Jewell Haines entertained the Jr. 4-H Club at her home on Tuesday.

Charles Fleming and wife gave a turkey dinner to their son Floyd and bride who were recently married.

A Happy New Year to every one.

HARNEY

Holy Communion Services is St. Paul Lutheran, Jan. 2, 1944, at 10 o'clock, S. S. at 9:00. Rev. Rex supply pastor in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wolff were among the Christmas day guests dinner of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smith, Taneytown, R. D. 2.

Mrs. Robert Reneker, York, spent Christmas week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reck. Mrs. Reck who was ill is somewhat improved at this writing. Her son Chas. Reck, of Manchester spent Tuesday with them.

On account of the icy roads the U. B. Xmas program was not held on last Sunday so watch the paper and don't forget to go.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hess, Baltimore, spent the Christmas week-end with the Rev. T. W. Null and wife.

Callers at the home of Samuel D. Snider and sister, Ruth over the holiday were: Mr. Chas. W. Hess, Baltimore; Virginia Myers, Gettysburg; Mrs. Ella Menchey and daughter, Mrs. Omar Renner and Mr. Ed. Bringer, Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Selby and family, entertained at a turkey dinner friends and relatives from Taneytown, Gettysburg, Baltimore and Harney.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clabaugh, daughter, Arlene, and Mrs. Theron Clabaugh, motored over the ice on Sunday to visit their son and the latter's husband, Theron Clabaugh of the Navy, in training somewhere in Maryland. Walter Yealy and Elwood Koontz all boys of this village in the same camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Snider, daughters, Peggy, Mary and Ann, son, Wm., spent Sunday afternoon with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Snider. Wm. Snider being a victim of lagrippe and could not go to his home they brought their turkey and came to his home where they had a Xmas dinner and all was more like Xmas being together.

Two more of our Harney boys Pfc. Kenneth Selby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Selby; Pfc. Francis Snider, son of Edna Snider have landed safely in Northern Africa. They were not in the same camps here in the U. S. A., but went over in the same ship and are in different regiments there.

Mrs. Hannah C. Eckenrode, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Eckenrode, children Patricia and Robert, and Thomas E. Eckenrode, spent Christmas day at Mr. and Mrs. Q. T. Eckenrode and sons, Tobias and Ronald, Middle River, Baltimore. Other guests in this home to a turkey dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Kalbfleisch and daughter, Clara, Baltimore 14 Md.

KEYSVILLE.

Mr. Thomas Fox and daughter, Vergie, entertained to Christmas dinner Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Flagle, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ohler, Westminster; Mr. and Mrs. Upton Austin, daughters, Carmen, Charlotte, sons Karl Melvin and William, of Taneytown; Miss Beulah Kelly, Taneytown; Mr. John Bare and Karl Harmon, of Fountain Valley; Joseph Ohler and Barbara Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Warren, Mrs. Sheldon Sheller, daughter Geva and Janet Stonemire, spent Christmas with Mr. Warren's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Warren, of Detour.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Heaps, of Highland, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cluts.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Warren and Mrs. Sheldon Sheller and daughter, Janet Stonemire, visited Mr. and Mrs. Arnel Stonemire.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Martha L. Smith and Marshall A. Morningstar, Westminster, Md.

Charles P. Bauer and Sarah Y. Barnes, Compton, Ill.

Clifton H. Dixon and Delma T. Curran, Sykesville, Md.

Charlie W. Perry and Fannie E. Brothers, Kitty Hawk, N. C.

Richard C. Thompson and M. Lorraine Wright, Sykesville, Md.

Paul W. Helwig and Lorene Koontz, Gettysburg, Pa.

Samuel F. Floyd and Verna M. Fishpaw, Upperco, Md.

Floyd C. Fleming and Emma M. Runkles, Woodbine, Md.

Irving C. Harman and Myrtle C. Erb, Littlestown, Pa.

William A. Brooks and Helen G. Bankert, Hanover, Pa.

Lester L. Gouker and Betty J. Bankert, Hanover, Pa.

Charles F. Baker and Emma B. Lockard, Taneytown, Md.

Curvin K. Krebs and Florence E. Taylor, Glen Rock, Pa.

Kenneth N. Alling and Doris H. Fowle, Westminster, Md.

John H. Hull and Elinor R. Morelock, Westminster, Md.

Tolbert F. Stonesifer and Margaret I. Black, Taneytown, Md.

William D. Freyman and Clara M. Sterner, Westminster, Md.

Charles L. Frank and Mary V. Duvall, New Windsor, Md.

Lawrence J. Noel and Jean M. Birgensmith, Centennial, Pa.

Harold J. Sanders and Alma B. Crites, Millers, Md.

Henry E. Delle and Alice Messersmith, Seven Valleys, Pa.

GIVES PRICE LIMITS ON CATTLE

Maximum and minimum limits on aggregate amounts packers may pay for live cattle in order to qualify for full subsidy payment have been given in a directive from the Director of Economic Stabilization, the War Food Administration, and the Office of Price Administration.

Price limits were given for 18 principal beef cattle markets. Limits in other markets are based on Chicago, the key market, whose limits are: Choice, \$15 to \$16; good \$14.25 to \$15.25; commercial, \$12 to \$13; utility, \$10, \$11; canners and cutters \$7.25 to \$8.25; and bologna bulls, \$8.50 to 9.50. Differentials between prices for Chicago and other markets are based on transportation rates and normal spreads in prices.

DETROIT LETTER

The Flu, which caused so many deaths back in the time of the first World War, has again put in its appearance not only in Detroit, but almost everywhere in the country. Out here, physicians say that it is in light form, but every day we hear of a few deaths caused by it. Schools are being closed, and absenteeism from the factories has greatly increased, owing to workers being attacked by it. We certainly hope that its ravages will not increase and reach the proportions it did in those former years, as instead of hundreds being engaged in war work, now almost the entire working population is thus engaged, and a serious outbreak of any kind of disease would be very serious, endangering the production of the millions of dollars worth of war supplies that are being turned out daily by the many large concerns in this area.

The annual drive put on by the Old Newsboys Association, Police Department and other organizations proved a huge success, as usual. The amount collected was over \$160,000, which will be used to provide Christmas cheer among about 30,000 poor children. It was carried out in the usual manner, and people responded to the appeal more generously than usual, as money seems to be more plentiful. The distribution of gifts, consisting of food, clothing and toys was made on Christmas morning, and we have no doubt that the hearts of the givers were gladdened by the joy brought into the lives of these less fortunate little folks and their equally unfortunate parents, for despite the high wages and demand for labor, a large city like Detroit always has plenty of those who need help.

The shortage of help has certainly played havoc with the mail service. In spite of the shortage of paper, and the almost daily announcement that Christmas and holiday greeting cards would be much scarcer than other years, we failed to notice any difference, and if there was any, it was on the opposite side of these predictions. Never have we seen such a large display of cards, nor finer ones, and it seemed that the postal force made every effort to get them into the hands of those to whom they were addressed, while newspapers and other mail were left to be delivered. Papers put in the mail last Friday did not reach us until the middle of this week, much to the disappointment of any who like to get the news from "back home."

Most of this delay was caused by the failure of senders to include the zone number, and we want to impress on the memory of any of our correspondents the importance of including this number, which is 15, as that will insure prompt delivery. The regular force of carriers has been so much depleted by the draft that mere school boys are employed to do this important work, and not being accustomed to the routes, are much slower in making the deliveries and more likely to make mistakes. So please take notice of this request, for which we return our thanks, in advance.

In one of our letters, we wrote about the fine weather we were having, and if we recollect rightly, said we were keeping our fingers crossed. Well, that did not do much good, as our weatherman turned loose on us some of the coldest weather we have experienced for some years. We see that you have had the same experience "back home" so will not enlarge on this, except to say that it caught quite a few out of heating fuel, causing some distress, which could have been avoided by ordering when requested to do so by the dealers.

We had the pleasure of entertaining in our home for some time last week, our grandson, Petty Officer 2/c Ferris A. Reid of the U. S. Navy who was married on the 17th. Miss Ruth Blasek, of Springfield, Ill., and who, with his bride, is on a brief bridal tour made necessary by his short leave from duty. Both are residents of Springfield, where the bride is employed by the Sagamore Electric Company, while her husband is stationed in New York for the present. Of course we all extend our congratulations to the happy couple, who will live in Springfield, when this war is over, and where the parents of the groom and bride both reside. His mother, Mrs. Esther Reid, the widow of our son, Ferris A. Reid, Sr., deceased, is well known, as was her husband, in the old town.

Our annual Christmas reunion was held according to schedule, with all of the boys and girl in attendance, except those who, by reason of distance, and service in the armed forces could not be with us. These we all had in remembrance, and all expressed the hope that by the time of the next reunion, all could be present. Especially we were glad to welcome our grand-daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Wilson, whose severe operations at the Tubercular Hospital we recently noticed, and who now seems on the road back to health.

It is no use to say much about the usual Christmas services, as they are about the same every year, and we have written about them before. Every effort was made to make the Christmas day a very pleasant one, but in many homes there were heavy hearts, caused by the absence of loved ones, and in some cases these absences are permanent.

And now, we want to thank our many friends for their patience in reading these letters, and also want to thank the Editor for his kindness in printing them. No one knows better than I do that they are some time only "Fillers" and do not contain much news, but in writing them, I have filled in much time that otherwise I would not have known how to kill. I wish you Happy New Year, full of health and joy. With this wish I bid the old year goodbye, with the hope that the new one will bring back peace to this country and to the world at large.

JOHN J. REID.



The finest CHRISTMAS present you can give is one of Uncle Sam's WAR BONDS. Keep on BACKING THE ATTACK.

Rhubarb leaves are one of the few exceptions to the rule "Eat it all." They are not edible. All of the rhubarb stalk, especially the skins, is edible. The younger and fresher the stalks, the more palatable rhubarb is.

DIED.

Obituaries, poetry and resolutions, charged for at the rate of five cents per line. The regular death notices published free.

GEORGE A. SHOEMAKER

George Albert Shoemaker died at his home in Taneytown Friday morning, Dec. 24, aged 68 years. He had been in declining health for several years but was critically ill only for the past ten days. For a period of 28 years he had operated a bread route out of Taneytown. He was a son of the late George A. and Laura Shoemaker. He had served as assessor for the Taneytown district and was affiliated with the I. O. O. F. Lodge of Taneytown and the Order of Moose, of Hanover.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Nora Kiser Shoemaker; a son, J. Kiser Shoemaker, Taneytown; two daughters, Mrs. C. J. Manning, New Windsor; Mrs. William B. Abrecht, Taneytown; also eight grandchildren, a brother, Rudolph A. Shoemaker, of Hagerstown; and the following sisters, Mrs. Fred Knopp, Baltimore; Miss Blanche Shoemaker, Mrs. John Wiley, Mrs. Edward Myers, Mrs. Charles Wilson and Mrs. Grace Harmon, all of Hagerstown.

SPECIAL NOTICES

SMALL ADVERTISEMENTS will be inserted under this heading at One Cent a word, each week, counting name and address of advertiser—two initials, or data counted as one word. Minimum charge, 30 cents.

REAL ESTATE for sale, Two Cents each word. Minimum charge, 25 cents. THIS COLUMN is especially for Wants, Lost, Found, Short Announcements, Personal Property for sale, etc.

CASE IN ADVANCE payments are desired in all cases.

FIRE WOOD, Sawed Stove length, (Dry), delivered—Harold Mehring, 8-28-44

FOR SALE—Three to four Cords of Wood, sawed stove length—Chas. Rohrbaugh, Taneytown.

LOST—\$10.00 Bill on one of the streets or in Stores in Taneytown—Finder please return to Wm. J. Baker and receive reward.

GARAGE FOR RENT—Mrs. Nellie Dern, Taneytown, Md.

FOR SALE—Three Barrels of Apple Cider Vinegar.—Winfield Ridgely, Mayberry. 12-31-44

SPECIAL—No Trespassing on my property near Cumberland for cutting and destroying property.—Wm. J. Baker.

BABY CHICKS, \$6.00 per hundred, and many other good values. Send for price list and free instructions for raising chicks.—Worthwhile 101 W. North Ave., Baltimore (1) Md. 12-17-44

DRINKING BOWLS, Stanchions and other New Barn Equipment is available for remodeling dairy barns. See installations at (Dietl Bros., Wilbert Hess, Wm. Harman, Frank Parish, etc. Wilcox Milk Coolers and Universal Milking Machines are sold and guaranteed by John D. Roop, Linwood, Md., Phone Union Bridge 14F4. 12-10-44

FOR SALE—Just received new supply of Florentine Lights, with Chrome Reflectors for Kitchen, Dining and Bath, 5 types to select from; we hang them.—Lambert Electric Store, Frederick St., Phone 1-R. 10-22-44

ELECTRICAL FARM Machinery is essential to the war effort. Have yours put in shape for the unexpected, have your farm light batteries repaired now.—F. W. Grosche, Phone Calvert 0087, 405 S. Hanover St., Baltimore (1) Md. 7-23-44

FOR SALE—Typewriter Ribbons and Supplies; Carbon Paper—Charles L. Stonestifer, Representative of Remington Rand, Inc. 7-16-44

FOR SALE—Air Mail and V-Mail Stationery. Just the kind of paper to write letters to Service Men—The Record Office. 7-16-44

WEDDING INVITATIONS and Announcements. Have three grades. Work almost equal to engraved, and prices to please you. 5-31-44

NOTICE—Give us your order for Daily Record Form Cards for Trucks as ordered by the Office of Defense Transportation, so that you may comply with your War Necessity Certificates—The Carroll Record Office. 12-25-44

SALESMEN'S Order Books are supplied by The Record from the manufacturers, at standard prices. About six weeks are required for filling such orders. 3-22-44

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. 1-14-44

Merriken Files For Congressional Nomination

Delegate Calvert C. Merriken, (D, Caroline) filed his candidacy with the Secretary of State of Maryland for the Democratic nomination for Representatives from the First Congressional District.

A native of Federalsburg, also the home of Senator Wilmer Fell Davis (R, Caroline), contender for the Republican nomination in the same contest, Mr. Merriken is a veteran of the first World War and has been active in Eastern Shore veterans' organizations.

He describes himself as "a lawyer," "a practical farmer," and the only candidate who can keep Caroline, Dorchester and Talbot counties in the Democratic column against Senator Davis in the 1944 Congressional election.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Carroll County, in Maryland, letters Ancillary Testamentary on the personal estate of

LOUISA KUMP.

late of York County, Pennsylvania, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 29th day of July, next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate.

Given under my hand this 27th day of December, 1943.

ALLEN C. WEIST,

Ancillary Executor of the estate of Louisa Kump, deceased

12-31-43

TANEYTOWN GRAIN MARKET

Wheat\$1.65@1.65
Corn, old.....Max. OPA \$1.25@1.25

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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. Joseph's Catholic Church, Taneytown, Rev. Arthur W. Murphy, pastor. Masses: Sunday, 8:00 and 10:00 A. M.; Holy Days, 6:00 and 8:00 A. M.; Week days, 7:30 A. M.; Sunday evening, 7:30, Novena Miraculous Medal.

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. alternate Sundays.

Trinity Lutheran Church, Taneytown—Sunday School, 9:30 A. M.; Worship, 10:30 A. M.; Luther League, 6:30 P. M.; Worship, 7:30.

Reformed Church, Taneytown.—Sunday School, at 9:30 a. m. Election of officers. Morning Worship at 10:30. Annual congregational meeting and election of Elders and Deacons immediately after this service. Christian Endeavor (Senior and Junior), at 7 p. m.

Watch-night Service, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Society, on Friday evening, December 31, at 11 o'clock.

Keysville—No Services. Next Service, on Sunday, January 9, at 2 p. m.

Taneytown Charge of the United Brethren in Christ Church, A. W. Garvin, Minister. Taneytown—S. S., 9:30 a. m.; Worship, 10:30 a. m.; S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Week of Prayer Services will begin Sunday night and will continue for the week at the following churches: Sunday and Monday, Lutheran; Tuesday and Wednesday, United Brethren; Thursday and Friday, Presbyterian, and Saturday and Sunday, Reformed. These services will be held at 7:30 p. m. There will be Jr. C. E., Wednesday, 4 p. m. There will be a S. S. Board meeting following the service on Wednesday night.

Barts—S. S., 1:30 p. m.; Worship, 2:30 p. m.
Harney—S. S., 6:30 P. M.; Christmas program and Candle-Lighting Service, at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to all services.

Piney Creek Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles S. Owen, pastor. 9:30 a. m., Sunday Holy Communion service; 10:30 S. S.

Taneytown Presbyterian Church—11 a. m., Holy Communion Service; 10 a. m., S. S. Jan. 2-9 Week of Prayer. Union Service each night.

Church of God, Uniontown, Rev. John H. Hoch, pastor. Uniontown—Sunday School, 9:30. Mr. Edward Caylor, Supt. Preaching Service, at 10:30 a. m.

Wakefield—Sunday School, 10 A. M. Mr. James Staub, Supt. C. E. Sunday evening, at 7:30 p. m. Miss Dorothy Barber, president.
Fritzburg—Sunday School, 1:30 p. m. Mr. Scott Sullivan, Supt. Preaching Service, 2:30.

Pipe Creek Methodist Charge, Rev. Paul F. Warner, pastor. Uniontown—Sunday School, 9:30; Morning Worship, 10:30; Evening Worship, 9:00 Union Service for the community.
Pipe Creek—Sunday school, 9:30.

Uniontown Lutheran Charge, Rev. George E. Bowersox, Jr., pastor. St. Luke's—Church, 9:30; S. S., at 10:30.

Mt. Union—S. S., 9:30; Church, at 10:45.
St. Paul's—S. S., 9:30.

Turn Down Felt
Wife—This is my new hat. Would you like it turned down?
Hubby—How much did it cost?
Wife—Only \$10.
Hubby—Turn it down quick!

Okay, Skip It
Harry—What's the difference between a snake and a flea?
Jerry—Easy. A snake crawls on its own stomach. A flea isn't particular.

Married Bliss
Mr. Smith—My wife talks to herself.
Mr. Jones—Mine, too, but she doesn't realize it. She thinks I'm listening.

Real Problem
Teacher—This is the fifth time, Tom, you've had to stay after school this week.
Tom—Yes teacher, and people are beginning to talk.

Good-By Daddy
Mrs. Neighbor—I saw a strange man kissing the maid in your house last evening, Betty.
Little Betty—April Fool! That was only my daddy!

No Money No Honey
Him—You used to say there was something about me you loved.
Her—Yes, but that's all spent now!

Popular!
Joe—That girl is like the measles. John—What do you mean, nobody likes her?
Joe—No, she gets around.

Interesting Temperature
Mary—If 32 degrees is the freezing point, what is the squeezing point?
Harry—Two in the shade!

Foolish Question
Barber—Is there any way you want your hair cut?
Customer—Yeh! Off!

Art Connoisseurs
Jim—Alice is as pretty as a picture.
Joe—Nice frame, too.



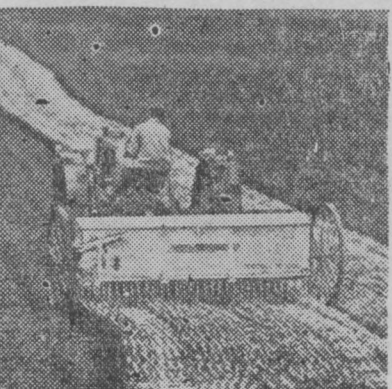
AAA Plans to Boost Production, Save Soil

Federal Payments for Conservation Continued

To help prevent disastrous soil depletion through using up of all the stored-up fertility for one tremendous harvest, a fund of 300 million dollars has been made available by congress to assist farmers in carrying out growing practices that will not only increase production immediately, but will also keep the land in condition for another high-level crop in succeeding years. Direct payments from the Agricultural Adjustment agency will be provided in some cases, while in others needed materials will be supplied, such as lime, phosphate and seeds.

Because of the variation in practices adaptable to the different growing regions, state and federal agencies will co-operate in working out an approved list for each state. The rate of payment will be determined by taking into consideration topography, soil, climate, conservation needs in the specific area, and the importance of each practice to production. Farmers will receive payments, as in the past, in proportion to how well they follow the practices for their farms.

Increases in yields per acre of crops in all parts of the country during recent years have been particularly marked in those sections where materials have been generally distributed. For example, before the Triple-A soil improvement program began, the corn yield averaged 23.5 bushels. In the last three years the average corn yield for the United States was 31.5 bushels. Wheat yields went up 4.5 bushels and the hay harvest was upped from a ton and a quarter to a ton and a half, while potatoes increased from 108 to 133 bushels and cotton from



A lime-spreader working on a lettuce field in Cumberland county, Maine. The Agricultural Adjustment agency can provide fertilizer materials and seeds when needed, under its conservation program.

191 to 253 pounds to the acre in the same period.

The 1944 practice program has a five-way emphasis: (1) expansion of agricultural use of lime, phosphate and other fertilizers; (2) promotion of legume, hay and grass seed harvest; (3) erosion control and water conservation measures; (4) range and pasture practices; and (5) supplementing of existing distribution channels, as well as adjustment of manufacture and delivery of lime and phosphate to keep movement on a more equal basis and do away with slack periods.

Approximately 190 million dollars will have been earned by farmers for soil-building and range practices under the 1943 program, according to preliminary estimates. This is an increase of 11 million dollars over 1942, of 68 million dollars over 1941 and of 75 million dollars over 1940, or a raise of 65 per cent in three years.

Agricultural Notes

The domestic wheat supply for the 1943-44 marketing year is now indicated at about 1,400 million bushels, which is 213 million bushels below the record supply in 1942-43.

Small quantities of hydrated lime will effectively deodorize and disinfect poultry manure.

Extremely large draft horses seem to have had their day. Draft mares 16½ hands high and weighing 2,000 pounds are as large as the industry requires. A satisfactory stallion measures 17 hands and weighs 2,000 to 2,200 pounds. Their offspring can be raised largely on roughage and still be big enough to fit the farmer's demands and to reach 16 hands and 1,600 pounds, the popular size for most horse markets.

Good care should be taken of borrowed equipment so it can be returned in the same condition to owner. Machines should not be loaned to anyone without the owner's permission. Owner's attention should be called to any parts damaged or broken before use.

The department of agriculture estimates that crops of dry beans, peas, peanuts, flaxseed, rice, potatoes and sugar cane will be considerably larger than last year, because of increased acreage.

Color Blindness Corrected

That color blindness is susceptible to correction is evidenced by recent studies involving the use of vitamins and eye training, reports the Better Vision Institute. In one group of 45 men rejected for military service because of inability to distinguish colors easily, after vitamins were added in substantial amounts to the diets of the men and their eyes given intensive training in color discrimination, 35 passed eye tests upon re-examination and were accepted in various branches of the military services. After six months the eyes of 35 men were found to have retained improved color perception.

Best Marksmen Right-Eyed
Men with dominant right eyes are the best marksmen, it is said. Studies of nearly 2,000 military recruits showed that men with very strong right eyes made the best showing, and that the poorest shots were those whose left eyes were highly predominant. However, the poor showing of left-eyed men probably partly was the result of the fact that the rifles were designed for right-handed persons. Only 16 per cent of the right-handed men were left-eyed.

A Good Investment
In 1942 the Canadian National railways expended \$683,000 to guard its vast properties from coast to coast against possible sabotage. On the National System's mileage basis, this protection, so essential to the lives of thousands of members of the armed forces and millions of dollars worth of war material in transit, cost the small amount of one and one-third cents per mile per hour.

Milk in a Cube
There's a chance you will buy a week's supply of fresh milk at the grocery store one of these days in a package of milk cubes. Now being experimented with, the cubes are dry, wrapped, and can be kept several weeks in a refrigerator. You'll simply drop a cube in a glass of water and have fresh, whole milk with no "condensed" taste.

Keep Every Ounce
Keep every ounce of drippings from beef, pork, lamb, poultry, suet, bacon, sausage, ham, etc. Strain all drippings into their containers. Cover and keep in refrigerator. Render out extra suet, ham or bacon rinds, and fat from fowl. Save even the bits of table fat that cling to clean wrappings.

Food Waste
The Food Distribution administration sets total food waste in this country at from 20 to 30 pounds of every 100 produced. Some of this waste occurs on the farm, in spoiled or unharvested crops. Some happens in transit from the farm to the market; some as food sits on grocers' shelves or in butchers' show cases.

Enlarge Savings
According to the bureau of labor statistics, 65 per cent of the rise in money income of the middle income consumer has gone to enlarge his savings. The department of commerce states that 62 per cent of these middle income groups are saving in cash for post-war buying.

Soya Ancient Food
Ancient Chinese literature tells us that the soybean was highly valued as a food centuries before written records were kept. The first record of the plant goes back to 2838 B. C. when the Emperor Sheng Nung wrote a description of the plants of China.

Soybean Output Up
Since 1937, production of soybeans has increased from about 46 million bushels to an estimated 200 million in 1943. Just since 1941, production has about doubled, and 1944 goals call for a further increase in acreage.

Prevent Bedsores
As a means of preventing bedsores, wash any part of the body that is under even fairly constant pressure at least twice daily with soap and water. Massage gently to stimulate circulation.

Aviation's Start
Montgolfier soared aloft in his hot air balloon in 1783; the Dolphin, first of rigid airships, appeared in 1852; in 1903, Wilbur Wright flew at Kitty Hawk—and modern aviation was born.

Villainous Killers
Coopers, sharpshinned, marsh hawks, great horned owls and screech owls are villainous killers of birds and wild game and should be the object of every sportsman's shells.

Slip Covers Popular
Slip covers became popular chiefly because they saved furniture from dust during the open window season and because they gave a sense of coolness to the rooms.

Beet Tops Nutritious
Beet tops constitute about 22 per cent of the weight of the bunch of beets and contain almost as much nutrition as the roots.

Close to Water
None of the small islands which make up Palmyra in the South Pacific has an altitude of more than six feet above sea level.

Eels Migrate Annually
American eels annually migrate into the Atlantic to spawning grounds south of Bermuda.

United States Now Has Mighty Fleet

Carries Our Flag Today on All Seas and Oceans.

WASHINGTON.—A giant fleet, "mightiest in world history," carries the United States flag today on all oceans and seas. And, in the skies, is "the most powerful naval air force in the world."

The navy proudly gave the descriptions in an inventory disclosing gigantic production of ships, planes, ammunition—production that still is adding swiftly to the "greatest sea-air power on earth."

On the seas, the navy observed, the fleet is composed of 14,072 vessels, including 613 warships. Three years ago there were 1,076 vessels, with 333 fighting ships.

The navy air forces have more than 18,000 planes—dive bombers, torpedo bombers, fighters, patrol ships, planes of all types. Three years ago there were 1,744 naval planes of all types.

Speed of the production that has built up the fleet and air arm is portrayed in these comparative figures:

"In July, 1940, the navy received five newly completed vessels; in July, 1943, almost 1,200.

"In July, 1940, the navy received 25 new airplanes; in June, 1943, almost 2,000."

Emphasis in the swift job of building the world's mightiest fleet has been laid on hard hitting warships that can battle it out with any enemy craft.

In that fighting category 333 new ships have been completed since July, 1940, at a cost of three billion dollars. Of other types, landing craft make up the largest total—12,964 new boats costing one billion dollars.

"No naval construction program of comparable size and speed," the navy said, "has ever been accomplished by any other nation."

Polish War Worker Wills

Bonds to United States

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.—A foundry worker who came from Poland 30 years ago has named the United States as the beneficiary of his war bond holdings.

John Konieczny explained that "if anything should happen to me, I would want to know that what money I have will go back to the country that gave it to me."

Konieczny does not believe that he has any relatives. He said that three brothers in the Polish army were killed in the last war and he believes that two brothers have been slain by the Nazis.

Employed at the Bullard machine tool plant here, Konieczny has allotted 15 per cent of his wages for war bonds and last week added a \$500 bond to others he also purchases from time to time.

Storks Shunning Germany;

Fail to Return as Usual

BOSTON.—The stork, a bird not hitherto noted for discrimination, is avoiding Germany.

According to Arthur J. Orner, Congregational educational missionary under the American Board of Foreign Missions in Mt. Silinda, Rhodesia, these birds have gone on a strike and refuse to return to their usual nesting places in Germany.

Mr. Orner explained that they usually migrate to South Africa for the winter, returning home for the nesting season. This year, he said, they stayed in South Africa.

Sneezes Kill Woman, 85,

Break Rib of Her Twin

RICHLAND CENTER, WIS.—Sneezes caused the death of one member of Wisconsin's oldest set of twins and sent the other to bed with a broken rib.

In sneezing, Mrs. Susan Driskill, 85, aggravated an old injury which physicians said caused her death.

Her twin, Mrs. Elizabeth West, was not able to attend the funeral because she fractured a rib while sneezing.

The twins, who lived in different towns, suffered the sneeze attacks the same day.

Pearl Harbor Finishes

Mammoth New Drydock

PEARL HARBOR.—The navy has a new drydock, built in less than a year—one-third the normal peacetime schedule—and capable of handling the navy's biggest ships, built or building.

Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, commander-in-chief of the Pacific fleet, termed it a magnificent achievement of construction. Rear Admiral William R. Furlong, commandant of the Pearl Harbor navy yard, said the dock would play an important part in winning the Pacific war.

Mother of 12 Children

Wins Honors in College

TROY, N. Y.—For the first time in its history, Russell Sage college has an honorary alumna as a member of the board of trustees. She is Dr. Lillian Moller Gilbreth of Montclair, N. J., internationally known consulting engineer in management, and holder of eight degrees.

Mrs. Gilbreth is the mother of 12 children, and her home on Nantucket is known as "The Shoe."

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STORE HOURS—8 A. M. to 6 P. M. Daily

Oyster Shell, bag 98c
2 lbs Coffee Stretcher 17c
Peanut Hulls \$1.25 per 100 lbs
Ground Wheat, bag \$2.95
1 lb Jar Peanut Butter 23c
2 lb Jar Peanut Butter 39c
5 gal Can Roof Paint \$1.48
You can visit our auction room daily.

5 gal. Galvanized Gas Cans \$1.25

All-Weather Anti-Freeze gal. \$1.25

Feed Oats \$1.10 bushel In Bags

Potatoes

100-lb. bag No. 2 size \$1.98

100-lb. bag No. 1 size \$3.25

Hudson Stalls and Stanchions \$12.75

26-gauge Corrugated Roofing, square \$11.00

Just unloaded a carload of 95% Ground Corn \$3.60 bag

10 lbs Hominy 35c

6x9 Rugs \$1.98

9x12 Rugs \$2.33

9x15 Rugs \$4.44

We pay 10c lb. for Lard and exchange can

Ground Wheat, bag \$2.95

Aluminum Paint, per gal \$3.98

Brick Strip Siding, to cover your house and save heat, sq \$2.95

1-ply Roofing, 35-lb 59c

2-ply Roofing, 45-lb 79c

3-ply Roofing, 55-lb 98c

3 Boxes Cream Corn Starch 25c

3 Boxes Cube Starch 25c

3 Dozen Boxes Matches 25c

Vinegar, gallon 25c

Paper Shingles, sq \$2.98

Plow Shares, each 60c

2 gallon Can Auto Oil 60c

Bed Mattresses \$7.98

Red Barn Paint, gal 98c

5 gal Bucket Roof Paint \$1.48

10-lb. Bag Flour 39c

25 lb Bag Flour 89c

50-lb. bag Flour \$1.75

100 lb Bag Flour \$3.45

Rabbit Pellets \$4.50 bag

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TANEYTOWN ORGANIZATIONS
Taneytown Chamber of Commerce meets
on the 4th Monday in each month in
the Municipal building, at 8:30 o'clock.
Merwyn C. Fuss, Pres.; 1st. Vice-Pres.,
James C. Myers; 2nd. Vice-Pres.,
David Smith; Secretary, Bernard
J. Arnold; Treasurer, Chas. R. Arnold.
Taneytown Fire Company, meets on the
2nd Monday each month, at 7:30 P. M.
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Robb; Fin. Secretary, Robert Peacor;
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Window Service Opens 7:15 A. M.
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Lobby Service Closes 8:00 P. M.
MAIL CLOSE
Star Route, York, North 8:25 A. M.
Train, Frederick, South 9:25 A. M.
Train, Hanover, North 2:05 A. M.
Star Route, Frederick, South 3:23 P. M.
Star Route, York, North 6:00 P. M.
Taneytown-Keymar 1-M 8:10 A. M.
Taneytown Route 1 8:10 P. M.
Taneytown Route 2 8:10 P. M.
MAILS ARRIVE
Keymar Route No. 1, Mail 7:30 A. M.
Star Route, York, North 8:00 A. M.
Star Route, Frederick, South 10:40 A. M.
Train, Hanover, North 10:00 A. M.
Train, Frederick, South 2:30 P. M.
Star Route, York, North 6:00 P. M.
Taneytown Route No. 1 2:00 P. M.
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JOHN O. CRAPSTER, Postmaster.
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sonic Day, May 29; July 4th; Labor Day,
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November 11; Thanksgiving Day and
Christmas. When a holiday falls on Sun-
day, the following Monday is observed.



...AND moreover, this is New
Year's eve," said Wallace,
as if that ought to settle the matter.
"Cheer up. Let's go to the Officers'
Club and join in the fun."

George Martin shook his head. Be-
fore he could welcome the approach
of another year he had a trouble-
some decision to make. The crowd-
ed streets, the milling people, the
babbling groups headed for Times
Square—none of these signs of the
coming of 1944 had power to lift
him from his depression. His voice
was solemn.

"Look at my problem from the
personal angle," he said. "Tell me,
Wallace, how would you feel if you
had been told you couldn't return
to the school ship after the holi-
days?"

"I'd feel bad, naturally. But not
as if the world had come to an end."
"You're not a sailor," returned
Martin. "You don't understand what
the school ship gets to mean to a
fellow. It gets in the blood . . .
under a man's skin."

He listened carefully as Martin
continued: "You should have seen
Doyle's face when the Cadet Council
told him he was through. It went
white. It's not only the way a fel-
low feels about it himself, it's a fel-
low's family . . ."

Wallace was saying: "The school
ship's not the only place of its kind
in the world. A fellow can still work
his way up from the fo'c'sle, you
know, and become just as good an
officer."

They were walking along a water-
front street, now, past seamen's
lodging houses. A row of men stood
in line before the doorway of a
Sailors' Mission.

"Shipping's bad," volunteered one
of the men. "No more ships. Can't
get a job for love nor money. Got
a cigarette?"

Martin pulled a package of them
from his pocket, offered it. The



You're to report back to the school
ship January 3.

sailor took a cigarette eagerly, wait-
ed for a light. "Thanks, buddy."
"See what a fellow's up against?"
Martin said. "Even old-timers can't
get ships. A youngster would have
no chance at all."

At the next stand he purchased a
newspaper. He stood under a neon
sign and opened it to the Want ads.
"Look. Here are your shore jobs.
Wanted: an office boy. Must run
elevator. Wanted: boy to distribute
handbills. Wanted: soda clerk. Are
these anything for a fellow who
really wants a sea career—a mer-
chant officer's career, the whole
world ahead of him, and a captain's
berth at the end?" He threw down
the newspaper. "I've made up my
mind. Come with me," he said.

At a small hotel for sailors, he
turned in and inquired: "Doyle stop-
ping here? Thomas Doyle?"
The clerk thumbed through the
register. "Number 1215."

As George Martin entered the
room, Doyle sprang to his feet. He
had been stretched out on the nar-
row bunk, his face buried in the pillow.

"I heard you hadn't gone home,
Doyle," said Martin.
Doyle's eyes were swollen and
red. "I thought I'd rather stay here,
sir . . . until after the holidays.
Then I thought I'd get a ship—or a
shore job. I couldn't face them at
home, sir . . . I just couldn't."

Martin took out his watch. "If
you can get out to the airport by
one o'clock, you'll catch a night
plane to Bangor. That's where you
live, isn't it? Got enough money?"

"Yes, I have. But . . ."
"Do as you're told," said Martin.
"Your case has been up for con-
sideration since the holidays started
last week. I've been thinking it
over carefully, and will veto the ac-
tion of the Cadet Council. You're
to report back to the school ship on
January third, with the others. It'll
be up to you to make good. Those
are orders."

The boy's face was radiant. "Happy
New Year, sir! That's all I need-
ed, sir, to change the whole world
for me—another chance at the school
ship!"

"Funny old world," said George
Martin, superintendent of the Nauti-
cal Training School, as he rejoined
his friend in the lobby. "Another
chance at the school ship . . . that's
all Doyle needed to face New Year."

McClure Syndicate—WNU Features.

ALMANAC



- JANUARY New Year's Day;
Washington raises flag
of United Colonies, 1776.
2—Louisiana State Univer-
sity opened, 1860.
3—Postal Savings banks
formed, 1911.
4—Cornelius Vanderbilt
dies, 1877.
5—Government takes over
operation of North Red
Cross society, 1905.
6—Imprisonment for debt
abolished, 1800.
7—Open phone service
between New York and
London, 1927. WNU Service

Shipyard Turnover
There are more than 675,000 work-
ers in the maritime shipyards. In
the first quarter of 1943 there was
an average of 11.2 per cent turnover
each month, of which 2 per cent rep-
resents men inducted into the armed
services. On the West coast, where
approximately half of our shipping
is built, one-seventh of the working
force during every month are new-
comers, needing to be trained or
broken in to new conditions.

Shipping Lagged
England had in 1913 more than
23,700,000 deadweight tons of ship-
ping to less than one million for the
United States. Their entire launch-
ings during four years of World War
I were about what American yards
are now turning out in four months.
The total number of American mer-
chant ships never met the number
required to carry American troops and
supplies.

Flag of the Americas
The white flag symbolizing peace
was adopted at the Seventh Interna-
tional Conference of the American
States at Montevideo in 1933. It
bears three purple crosses to signify
the three caravels of Columbus. Be-
hind the central cross is a bronze
sun of the Incas, commemorating all
the native Indian races of the three
Americas or the Western hemi-
sphere.

Dry Moisture
If soft rot becomes severe at any
time during the storage period, the
storage house should be heated until
the potatoes are dried out and the
moisture disappears. After the po-
tatoes have dried out, they should
not be removed from storage, be-
cause potatoes should not be han-
dled until you are ready to ship or
sell them.

Ships Named for Women
Two more Liberty ships have been
named for women, according to the
Maritime commission. The latest of
these is the Marie M. Meloney,
named for the well-known woman
journalist and editor. The 57th ship
named for a woman was christened
the Mary Mapes Dodge, for an
author who well remembered for her
juvenile books.

Soybean in America
First mention of soybeans in Amer-
ican literature was made in 1804 by
one James Mease, who wrote that
"the soybean is adapted to Pennsylv-
ania and should be cultivated." It
was not until 1898, however, that the
department of agriculture began the
introduction of a large number of
soybeans from Asiatic countries.

New City
A new city will be founded in the
Brazilian jungle soon, according to
a recent announcement of the of-
fice of the economic co-ordinator,
which is sponsoring a "March to the
West." The city will be established
on the Araguaya river, between Mat-
to Grosso and Goyaz, in an area
rich in gold and other minerals.

Better Base
Metal parts of farm machines
should be painted with an implement
paint, or one with a varnish base,
which is preferable to one with an
oil base, as it dries better and
does not come off so readily on
hands and clothes.

Treat All Birds
When treatments for lice or mites
are made, all birds in the flock
should be included. One or two left
untreated will soon reinfest the en-
tire flock.

Animal Totals
It is expected that the total num-
ber of grain-consuming animal units
on farms on January 1, 1944, will be
5 to 10 per cent greater than at the
beginning of 1943.

Lettuce Leaves
Though the inside leaves of lettuce
may look prettier, the outer leaves
have greater mineral content and
should be included in the salad.

Nylon Glosses Paper
Nylon-bristled brushes now are
used by the paper industry to im-
part the required gloss to glassine
and greaseproof paper.

Government Girl's Salary
The average salary of a "Govern-
ment Girl" in Washington is less
than \$1,800 a year.

Excitement
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Associated Newspapers.
WNU Features.

MRS. CORNELIUS L. DeWOLFE
strolled one bright, sunny
morning down the hedge-lined flag-
stone walk that extended from the
side terrace of the great DeWolfe
estate, via flower garden, swimming
pool, summer house, tennis court,
greenhouse and lawn. At the gate,
which shut out the common world
from the exclusiveness of the De-
Wolfe grounds, Mrs. Cornelius L.
paused, was, in fact, about to turn
and retrace her steps when her eye
chanced to rest upon the gate latch.
A feeling first of surprise, then of
anger, then of faint alarm gripped
her in respective succession. The
gate was unlocked and was swing-
ing gently upon its hinges. Mrs.
DeWolfe frowned, thinking of the ex-
act words she would use when dis-
charging the gardener, Pierre, for
his neglect.

Trembling, pale of face, she re-
turned to the privacy of her own
grounds, securely locked the gate
and hurried up the winding path.
Near the flower garden she encoun-
tered Pierre, who, at sight of her,
doffed his hat and waited respect-
fully for the corpulent lady to catch
her breath.

"Pierre," she managed at last, "I
have just made the most dreadful
discovery! I found the gate un-
locked—and what do you suppose!
There's a chalk mark on the side-
walk in the lane beyond."

"I beg your pardon, ma'am?"
"A chalk mark, idiot! A cross—
made with a piece of chalk. Have
you no idea what that means?"
Pierre, it means this house is
marked! Marked, I tell you!"

"Marked, ma'am? By whom?"
"Gangsters, of course!" Mrs. De-
Wolfe was becoming fairly exasper-
ated. There had been a stirring ac-
count of the chalk mark method in
the morning paper. "Don't you un-
derstand? Gangsters. They have
picked our home as a likely prospect
to rob. They know that Mr. DeWolfe
is away for the week. They place
a sign on the walk. Pierre, we are
about to be robbed, possibly mur-
dered!"

Mrs. DeWolfe eyed Pierre angrily,
yet she would not be deterred from
lending a bit of drama to the mo-
ment. "Pierre," she said with an
expansive gesture, "hurry at once
and warn Arturo. Tell him to arm
himself and guard the gate with his
life. After that you had better warn
the remainder of the servants."

Mrs. DeWolfe started briskly up
the walk. Pierre replaced his hat,
sighed deeply, shook his head and
shuffled off in search of Arturo, the
chauffeur.

Pierre found the chauffeur polish-
ing the hood of Mrs. DeWolfe's lim-
ousine. "The old lady's at it again,"
he said, sitting down at the running
board and tugging a pipe from his
hip pocket.

Pierre sighed and tamped tobacco
into his pipe. "Oh, she found a
chalk mark on the sidewalk outside
the west gate. Thinks it's a sign
put there by gangsters, and we're all
to be murdered and robbed."

"Well, of all the dumb, crazy, half-
witted notions!" Arturo stood erect
and placed a hand on either hip.
"Say, she's nuts!"

"Oh, I dunno," Pierre struck fire
to his pipe. "I dunno, Artie. May-
be it's because we don't understand
her. She's one of them kind of folks
who likes exciting things; likes to be
dramatic. Romantic, I guess you
call it. And nothin' ever happens
around here. Nothin'. Not a dang
thing to satisfy that cravin' in her."

Midnight came and went. The
lights in the house had long since
been extinguished. There was only
stillness now, broken by the scarcely
audible rustle of a gentle wind
through the hedges.

Suddenly Mrs. DeWolfe, watching
from her darkened bedroom win-
dow, emitted a gasp. She had seen
near the west gate the skulking fig-
ure of a man. The figure disap-
peared. Then abruptly the still night
air was shattered by a shout. It was
followed by the sound of running
feet, the west gate opening, a re-
volver shot, a scream, a curse . . .
silence.

Thrilled beyond her wildest
dreams, Mrs. DeWolfe rushed below
stairs and flung open the west ter-
race door. A moment she stood
there, breathing heavily. Pierre, his
face streaked with blood, suddenly
emerged into the circle of light,
stopped at sight of her and doffed
his hat.

"Pierre! What happened?"
"It was a gangster, ma'am. Ar-
turo and I trapped him. He got
away, but I don't think he'll come
back 'till off."

Mrs. DeWolfe clutched at her
throat. "Pierre, you brave man!
Tell me—" her voice was soft and
gentle, "—are you hurt, Pierre?"

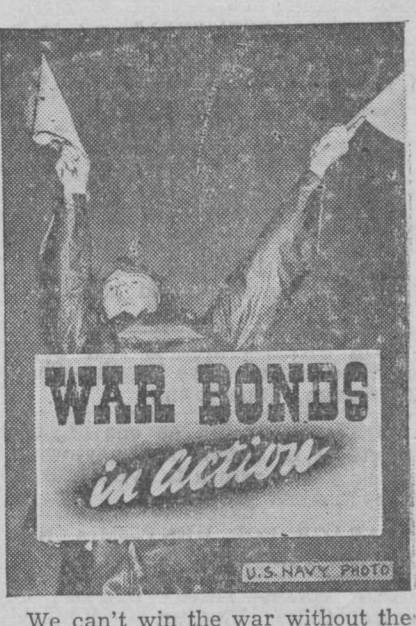
"No, ma'am. Cut up a little. I'll
go back to my room now and wash
up, if you don't mind, ma'am."

Out in the gardener's cottage
Pierre, too, was smiling. He washed
the streaks of catsup from his cheeks
and sighed contentedly, the sigh of
a man whose duty has been well per-
formed. He sighed again and
smiled, thinking of the account of
the chalk mark method he had read
in the morning paper.

Recreational Facilities
The army and navy have spent
approximately 200 million dollars
for recreational facilities, including
equipment for athletics, indoor
games, shows and music.

WARNED OFF
When the telephone bell rang the
duty man at the fire station an-
swered.
"Is that the fire station?" came
a voice over the wire.
"Yes," said the fireman eagerly.
"Well, I've just had a new rock
garden built, and I've put in some
very rare plants—"
"But where's the fire?" demanded
the fireman.
"Some of these plants are very
expensive," the voice went on,
"and—"
"Look here," said the fireman
wearily, "don't you want a flower
shop?"
"No, I don't," said the voice. "I
was coming to that in a minute. My
next-door neighbor's house is on fire
and I don't want your clumsy fire-
men walking all over my garden
while you're here."

Memory System
Jane—What's the piece of string
around your finger for?
Mabel—Oh, that. Well, that's a
knot. Knots are in wood. You cut
wood with a saw. Saw makes me
think of see which rhymes with tea.
So this is to remind me to get a
pound of coffee today.



We can't win the war without the
navy; our soldier can't win unless
our ships deliver; merchant ships
can't deliver unless the home front
provides. One important convoy job
is flashing signals as this youth is
doing in the Battle of the Atlantic.
Your equally important job is to
continue buying War Bonds until
victory.
U. S. Treasury Department

NOTICE!

It has come to the attention of the Mayor and City Council that citizens of Taneytown are burning paper and other rubbish in the City limits, between sunset and sunrise, in a very careless manner.

The Mayor and City Council wishes to warn these persons that this is a violation of a City Ordinance and the laws of the State of Maryland and is a wasteful practice and very dangerous to life and property.

All waste paper should be saved, if salable; all other waste paper and rubbish should be burned carefully, between sunrise and sunset, in a covered incinerator and the fire should be carefully watched until completely extinguished.

Your cooperation in this matter may be the means of saving—saving lives and property.

THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

TANEYTOWN, MD.
NORVILLE P. SHOEMAKER, Mayor
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Crossword Puzzle

Solution in Next Issue.

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1 Simian	54 Not any	3 Printer's	12 Part of "to be"
2 Exists	55 Hypothetical	4 measure	14 Likewise
3 Beneath	56 To stimulate	5 Image	17 Italian coin
4 British	57 Earth goddess	6 Vegetable	20 Stake
5 Dominion	58 Person of	7 Fabulous	23 Note of seale
6 Approach	59 mixed blood	8 horserake	24 Interjection
7 Teutonic deity	60 College	9 animal	25 Nobleman
8 To reduce the	61 Ascended	10 Ancient sail-	27 Mexican
violence of	62 Spanish article	ing vessel	30 Outbreak
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22 Bed-stay		publication	38 Dialect
23 To sharpen			39 More
24 To let fall			enamored
25 To behave			41 Journey
26 Essence			43 Rude shoe
27 War god			44 Latin con-
28 Toward			junction
29 Scandinavian			46 Note of scale
navigator			48 To add zest to
30 Part of speech			51 Isles
31 Conjunction			53 Sea in Russian
32 Plunder			Turkestan
33 Greek myth-			57 By birth
ological			58 Printer's
character			measure
45 Speck			60 Worm
46 Sailors			62 Spanish for
49 Law: a wrong			"yes"
50 Fresh-water			64 Colloquial:
porpoise			father
52 Scandinavian			
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Lesson for January 2

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JESUS BEGINS HIS MINISTRY

LESSON TEXT—Mark 1:9-22.
GOLDEN TEXT—Repeat ye, and believe the gospel.—Mark 1:15.

A new year of opportunity is before us. What will it hold for us and for the world? We do not know, but God does, and trusting Him we move forward. One thing we must have this next year is more Bible study. We need to know what God's Word has to say to us day by day.

In our Sunday schools we begin today a three month series on the Gospel of Mark, which presents Christ as the Servant of God. It is the Gospel of mighty acts.

In our lesson we see Jesus—
I. Entering Upon His Ministry (vv. 9-13).

The baptism and temptation of Jesus were not just a preparation for His work, but were rather His actual entry upon His mission.

The baptism of Jesus was not because of any sin in Him, for He was sinless. It was of real significance as His entry upon the work for which He had come into the world—that of redemption. He who knew no sin became sin for us. He here partook of the sinner's baptism, not because He had sinned, but because He came to be the sinner's substitute (see Heb. 2:17).

What infinite love and condescension! To it God the Father gave His approval (v. 11), and the Holy Spirit gave heavenly witness by descending upon Him.

The one who was to be the constant opponent of Christ and His followers was reckoned with at the very beginning of His ministry as He was led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of Satan. Around Him were the wild beasts, before Him was Satan, and in it all "the angels ministered unto him."

The devil has only three real temptations to present, "the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life" (I John 2:16). He uses the same three types of temptation with us, varying the "dress" in which he presents them. Let us be on guard.

Victory came through the use of God's Word. We need to learn that lesson and not attempt to defeat Satan with any man-made weapons of will power, logic, or culture.

II. Working As Preacher and Teacher (vv. 14, 15, 21, 22).

The Gospel of Mark is the book of Christ's miraculous works. It is therefore significant that His first recorded work was that of preaching. His second that of calling and preparing fellow workers, and last of all the miraculous healing of the demoniac (vv. 23-28).

From a human viewpoint one would think that the opposite order would prevail. First let the Master do some mighty miracle to catch the attention of the people, then organize a great "party," and then preach. Much effort in our day follows that human formula and fails of lasting results. The man who magnifies preaching and gives the Word of God pre-eminence will see real spiritual accomplishments.

Notice also that when Jesus began His ministry in Capernaum (v. 21), it was by teaching, essentially the same as preaching. There is no substitute for the personal presentation of the gospel.

Jesus preached faith and repentance, or perhaps one should say repentance and faith (v. 15). They went together in our Lord's preaching. Let us follow His example.

The preacher of our day, truly called of the Lord and faithfully proclaiming the full counsel of God, may well be encouraged by the importance our Lord gave to that ministry. He too may speak with authority because He speaks for Christ.

III. Calling His Helpers (vv. 16-20).

The orderly development of any work calls for the choosing and training of associates. Moody is said to have observed that "it is a greater thing to put ten men to work than it is to do ten men's work."

Our Lord was no mere human leader, but He desired and used fellow workers and He committed to them the carrying on of His work after He departed.

God still calls men into His service. Would that grace might be given to each one to whom such a call may come to respond "straightway," as did the disciples.

The nature of our Lord's call to these men is worthy of our attention. He wanted them not as executives, or leaders of an organization, or as His personal attendants. They probably served in all these capacities and others. But their main business was to be personal soul-winning.

Let us not forget that such is God's calling to each of us who are Christians. We may have other duties to perform, other work to do, but this thing we must do—we must be "fishers of men."

Rubber Output Up
While official statistics are lacking, reports from the Americas indicate total hemisphere production of rubber now has exceeded an annual rate of 30,000 tons on its way toward an announced goal of 100,000 tons or more in 1944-45. Whether this goal is reached depends upon how successful rubber development authorities are in overcoming transportation, food supply, diseases and manpower obstacles to rapid increase in collection of wild rubber in the vast forests of the Amazon and Central America.

Synthetic Bristles
Several American manufacturers have developed synthetic paint brush bristles which are said to give such good results that they may be permanent competitors of the natural hog bristles, most of which were formerly imported from China, after the war ends. At present, the armed forces have first call on the most successful of these products of American chemistry, but ultimately they are destined also for general civilian use.

Endures Frosts
Cabbage will stand several light frosts, so may be left in the ground for several weeks. Root crops are still more hardy and are best left in the ground till mid-November. Early harvest of these hardy crops and removal to storage, which is usually still too warm, causes most of the failure in trying to keep the crops for winter use by the family.

Clean Paint Brushes
Use linseed oil or other paint drying oil, turpentine, or one of the prepared brush cleaning compounds sold by paint dealers for cleaning paint brushes. If the brush has been used in shellac, it should be cleaned with alcohol, or if it has been used in lacquer, with lacquer thinner made by the manufacturer of the lacquer.

New Job for Women
"Piscatorial bookkeeper" is the name of one of women's newest jobs taken over from men. Its duties are to count fish and distinguish their species as they pass through gates in weirs built in the fish ladders of Bonneville dam in Oregon, on their way to tributaries of the Columbia river.

Leaning Tower a Guide
Galileo, Pisan genius, used the Leaning Tower to prove for the first time that objects of different weights fall with the same speed. The swaying of the chandelier in the Cathedral, like Newton's apple, set Galileo to formulating the principle of the pendulum.

Water in Honey
When you cook with honey, remember a part of it is water. You can't substitute honey for sugar, measure for measure, without making some other change in the recipe. For one thing, you'll have to use less liquid than the original recipe calls for.

Lowest Pass
Brenner is the lowest pass through the Alps, less than a mile above sea level at its highest point. It has played a prominent part in European history; its steep sides have for centuries echoed the clatter of hoofs and the marching of armed men.

Income Rises
While personal taxes have increased from about three billion dollars in 1940 to an estimated 16 billion in 1943, total income payments to individuals increased during the same period from 76 billion dollars to at least 140 billion.

Wood Soles
A shoe manufacturer is now making wood-and-glue soled shoes for both street and dress wear. Soles are made of hard northern maple and glued with synthetic resin waterproof glue.

Prevent Swine Ailments
Many swine ailments can be prevented by good management. Keeping hogs comfortable as well as healthy means fewer losses and greater gains for the feed consumed.

Less for Food
In 1918-1920 food required 37 per cent of the working man's income. This was gradually reduced over the years to 22 per cent during the past year.

Outdoor Movie on Front
An outdoor movie theater operated by the army in New Guinea shows current films within a month of their general release in this country.

Olive Variations
The sizes of American olives range from small ones weighing 140 to the pound to the largest size which equal 32 per pound.

Fish Excavate Nests
Many fishes excavate nests and line them with pebbles during the spawning season.

First Torpedo in 1866
The self-propelling torpedo was developed originally in 1866 by Robert Whitehead, a Scotch engineer.

Save Metal
Over five million tons of metal are being saved in 1943 by the use of wood-and-glue construction.

Leads New England
Maine, with an area of 33,040 square miles, is the largest state in New England.

'I Resolve'



The speculative attitude of this young lady is ample proof that she is taking her New Year's resolutions seriously. She isn't going to take a chance on making a resolution she won't keep. Perhaps she has determined to study harder or to be of greater help to her mother—but at least she is going to keep her word.

New Year's Day Around the World

By MISS ABBIE CONDIT
National Recreation Association.

A New Year's party based on the customs of other countries will provide an appropriate theme for your celebration this year. Send out invitations decorated with an hour glass or the Old and New Year, inviting the guests to come in the costume of some country. Ask each to bring a "white elephant" possession, securely wrapped, for as tradition has it in Scotland, a package in the hand of the guest insures the host a bounteous year. (These gifts will be exchanged later in the evening as one of the party activities.)

Colorful decorations are in order for the party. In the Orient, dark green pine branches and light green bamboo stalks are hung on the gate posts, and tangerines and tangerine-like fruits are indicative of long life and happiness. Bright red lobsters and crabs are hung over doorways.

In China on New Year's day everyone puts on brand new clothes and goes visiting; so at our party there may be a grand march with judges, of course, to award prizes for the pretties, funniest, and most unique costumes.

'May Joy Be Yours.'
At the end of the march each person is given a card and a pencil. On signal each tries to obtain as many signatures as he can. He approaches someone, bows in Chinese fashion, saying "Kung Hi, Kung Hi" (I humbly wish you joy), and the other replies "Sin Hi, Sin Hi" (May joy be yours). Then each writes down the other's name. At the end of five minutes the person with the largest number of names receives a trivial award.

In Belgium we hear of a "Sugar Uncle," a "Sugar Aunt." All the keys disappear from the inside doors in the houses before New Year's Day. Then, when an unsuspecting aunt or uncle goes into a room alone, the children rush to lock the doors on the outside and do not permit the aunt or uncle to come out until he or she has promised ransom with which the children will buy sugar plums and candy. Divide the group into a number of circles with 10 to 20 players in each. A leader is given a key or a bunch of keys. He walks around the group nodding at players who fall in line behind him. When about half the members of the circle are trailing along, he drops the key and all dash to find places. The one left out pays "ransom" by being "it."

'First Footer' Relay.
The circles may be easily straightened out into file formation for a "First Footer" relay. In Scotland it is considered good luck to be the first to step into a house after midnight, so there is a mad dash from house to house after the stroke of 12. Each team is a would-be "first footer." The leader counts to 12 and on "12" the first member of each team dashes to a goal and back, touching off the next player. The first team finished is the lucky one and receives a prize of cookies or tiny cakes, as was the custom.

Boys and girls of Russia have a rather strange custom. On New Year's Day they go about throwing peas and wheat at passers-by. The peas are thrown at enemies, while the lighter wheat is reserved for friends. Wheat grains are too small to handle conveniently, so give everyone eight or ten beans of one kind and eight or ten of another kind. Do not designate which is "enemy" or "friend." Guests are to trade beans with one another and at the end of five minutes the one with the fewest enemies and the most friends is given a prize.

In France the children used to leave their wooden shoes out at Christmas time for presents, but the adults exchange gifts at New Year's time. In accordance with this custom the "white elephants" may be brought out and distributed in any manner you like—by drawing or in grab bag style. All the presents should be opened on the spot as an appropriate climax to the party.

Busy Capital
Though rural for the most part, Denmark in its capital, Copenhagen, possesses a city with a population of nearly a million. This commercial center of Scandinavia is on Zealand, largest of 100 populated islands lying east of Jutland and comprising perhaps the more important half of Denmark. Normally, 15,000 fishing vessels brought in 300 tons of fish daily. Cheap, silent transportation for Copenhagen's office workers was provided by 400,000 bicycles.

Finished Compost
Fundamentally, finished compost is a well turned or spaded mixture of soil and decayed plant material, usually with manure or commercial fertilizer added. Although some authorities recommend the addition of lime, the department of agriculture says that it may cause loss of nitrogen from the fermenting vegetable matter. Department specialists suggest placing unbleached wood ashes and other materials containing lime in the garden area itself.

Rail Center
Long a shipping center, Copenhagen, Denmark, has also become a railroad center. By means of great bridges connecting the islands and railroad ferries where straits are too wide for bridging, trains reach Berlin in nine hours; Esbjerg (England debarkation port on North sea) in four hours; and easily cross the narrow Oresund to Malmö, Sweden's southern railroad terminus.

Develop Microphotography
Newspaper files are only one of many outstanding uses for microphotography. V-mail for the men overseas is the best known. Recently developed films record fine detail so accurately that, it is said, "Gone With the Wind" may be reduced to a roll of film about the size of a five-cent spool of thread.

Neutral Politically
Once a power which at times controlled all of Scandinavia and even England, Denmark in modern times has pursued a "middle of the way" course politically. It pioneered in social security and health legislation. There are few millionaires and fewer beggars among its 3,800,000 people.

Sulpha Tablets
If a soldier is wounded, and is conscious, he begins to take sulpha tablets as soon as he is hurt, and dusts his wound with the powder. Thus his pain is eased and infection is prevented until he can be reached by a hospital corpsman and taken back to his lines for surgical treatment.

Keep Vegetables
Common storage of vegetables and fruits for home use—is the easiest and cheapest way to keep many vegetables, apples, and pears for winter use. Some vegetables maintain more nearly their original flavor in storage than when kept in any other way.

Treat Wood Products
"Clean Treatment" is the process of treating wood products with non-aqueous preservatives to protect them against changes due to moisture, stain and decay. This treatment leaves the wood clean, paintable and easy to handle.

Wages Up
Weekly wages of manufacturing workers, after deductions are made for living cost rises, have increased 28.9 per cent since January 1, 1941; and all nonfarm workers' wages have increased an average of 8.8 per cent.

High Recovery
Official figures compiled by the war and navy departments show that the death rate from wounds from Pearl Harbor until March 31 of this year was only 3.1 per cent; in the last war the rate was 7.6 per cent.

Clean Shells
Nylon bristles, the same as those in tooth and hairbrushes, now are used in brushes to clean ammunition shell casings before final inspection and installation of parts.

Absorbs Moisture
Honey takes up moisture as it stands. That may not be so good with some candies and frostings. But it helps to keep your fruit cakes and steamed puddings moist.

Plastic Insole
A plastic insole has been developed for U. S. jungle fighters, which keeps soldiers' feet dryer and can be washed with soap and water.

Plastic Fife
U. S. army bands and drum corps now have available a new plastic fife, reported to have fully as good a tone as the standard fife.

All Purpose Fruit
Olives serve as milk, butter, eggs, tonic, and soap to the masses of Greek people.

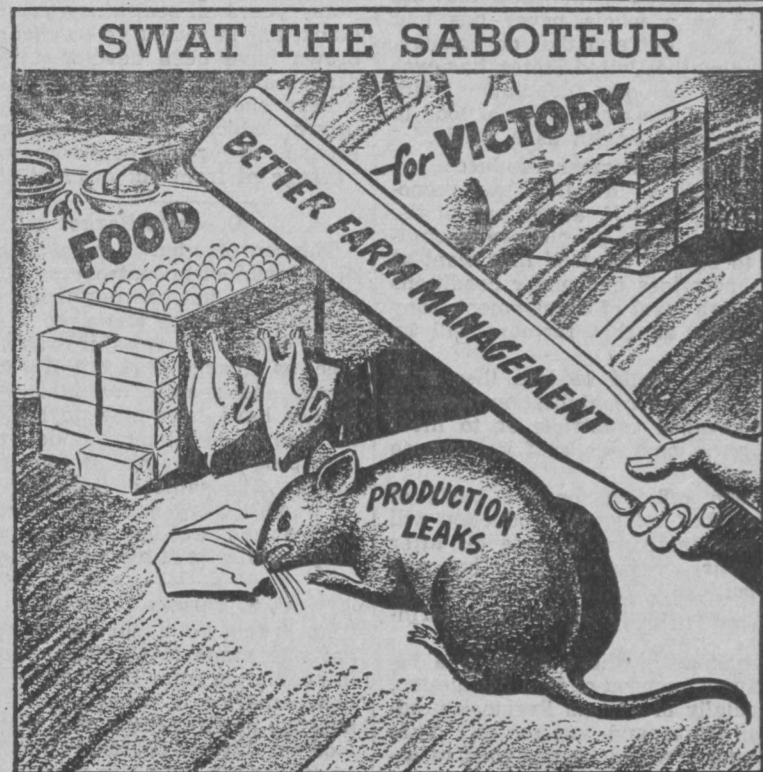
Dried Olive a Staple
In Greece the salt cured, dried olive, almost unknown in America, is a staple of diet.

Physical Giants
Early Hawaiian chiefs often were physical giants, weighing 300 to 500 pounds.

Late Cutting
The greatest danger is from cutting alfalfa too late in the fall.



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Taneytown Grain & Supply Co.

BONDS OVER AMERICA

On the shores of the Delaware stands the oldest residence in Pennsylvania, the Caleb Pusey House, built at Upland in 1683 of field stone and mortar like so many residences of early Colonial days.

Keystone Home



The countries of occupied Europe hold ancient landmarks pointing to the dim past, but in the mad attempt to Nazify the entire continent Germany has wantonly destroyed thousands of historic links to obliterate all but the Teuton trademark.

Keep Our
Heritage; Buy
More War Bonds

Boom for Farm In Peace Is Seen

Economists Say Demand for Foods Will Last Five Years After War.

WASHINGTON.—American farmers will have a market far greater than their ability to produce for at least five years after peace has been declared, according to government economists and farm officials.

The predictions of a big market in the years immediately following the war are based on the prospect that the United States will have to send abroad for relief and rehabilitation even more food than it is now sending for lend-lease and military purposes.

The experts' belief in the possibility of permanent agricultural prosperity is based on the facts that the world as a whole never has had enough to eat and that no country, including the United States, has ever supplied its own population with enough of the right kinds of food to sustain good health as a whole.

Take All Farmer Produces.

Agriculture department economists say that if, at the end of the war, American people are permitted to buy all the food they want at present prices and under conditions of a high level of employment, they will take all that farmers will be producing.

Nothing would be left, they add, for relief and rehabilitation needs of war-ravaged countries, or to meet the nutritional needs of low-income groups.

Farm officials, on the basis of hopes that industrial production will be maintained at high levels after the war, are planning to improve agricultural production and the economic and social conditions of farmers.

Keystone of those plans is a selective expansion of food production, especially of certain livestock products, fruits and vegetables. That expansion would be designed to assure adequate nutrition for all Americans.

Nutritionists estimate that such an expansion would require 40 per cent more dairy products, 80 per cent more truck crops, 20 per cent more eggs and 20 per cent more fruit than the quantities consumed in the 1935-39 period. At average crop yields, these and other needed increases would require about 40 million additional acres of crop land, or about one-eighth more than is now being used to produce food for the home market.

Need More Farms.

Officials estimate that at least 300,000 new farms would be needed to help supply such food requirements. In contrast to the situation following some of our earlier wars, at the end of the present conflict there will be no unoccupied good land in this country ready for cultivation.

To make additional land available for settlement would require irrigation, drainage and clearing. It is estimated that there are something like 30 million to 40 million acres of such land. Of this total 10 million to 20 million acres could be reclaimed in western states through irrigation, and another five million acres of fertile land in the Mississippi river delta through drainage. About 15 million acres requiring drainage and clearing are located at various points over the country.

In addition, officials estimate that part of the 20 million acres acquired by the army and navy for camps, proving grounds and other purposes could be returned to cultivation to provide farms for at least 25,000 families. It has been suggested that this land, as well as reclaimed land, be held for sale to ex-service men.

Besides helping to meet food needs and providing settlement opportunities for qualified ex-service men, a reclamation program would probably be an important part of any public works plan to provide employment during demobilization.

124 Billion Is War Bill Of U. S. for Three Years

WASHINGTON.—The United States has spent \$124,000,000,000 for war purposes since the start of the defense program July 1, 1940, the War Production board reports. The total includes expenditures to September 1.

Expenditures in August were \$7,529,000,000, a 12 per cent increase over July but 2 per cent under the outlay in the peak month of June.

WPB said the daily rate of expenditure for war purposes in August was \$289,600,000, based on the 26 days in the month on which checks were cleared by the treasury. The figures cover checks cleared by the treasury and payable from war appropriations, plus net outlays of the Reconstruction Finance corporation and its subsidiaries.

Customers Shocked as Train Enters Tavern.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.—Three customers were sitting in the Silver Dollar tavern early one morning, quietly sipping their drinks, when a train came in. "It was quite a shock," one of them told police.

An engineer had misjudged the length of a string of cars he was backing into a barrier wall adjoining the tavern.

React Differently
Because of differences in milling processes, different soya flours will react differently when combined with liquids. Some will take up more liquid than others, and if a woman is using them in her own recipes, she will have to experiment at first to see how much the liquid measurement in her recipe must be changed. The different milling processes are known as (a) the "expeller" method, in which the fat is expelled, giving a flour which tends to stick together; and (b) the "solvent extraction" method, which produces a drier, dustier type of flour. This drier flour will take up more liquid than flour of the expeller type.

Processing Seal Skins
There are more than 100 distinct manipulations or treatments involved in the processing of fur-seal skins, each requiring great skill and care. This work is completed in about 60 days and results in the creation of a fine fur that is both exceedingly durable and of great beauty. For many years all sealskins were dyed black, but in recent years shades of brown have been developed. Two shades are now used; safari brown, a deep chocolate tone, and matura brown, which has a bluish background. A fur-seal coat contains an average of from six to eight skins.

Concrete Barge
The concrete barge is experimental and subject to controversy among the experts, but has performed well and fills a definite war need. A concrete barge uses two-thirds as much steel as a cargo ship, but of a lower grade and readily available. The barges have been slow in building, and are costly for tonnage delivered. This program has recently been curtailed. The same criticism applies to wooden barges. Both concrete barges and wooden barges are a very small part of the total program.

U. S. Throws Away Food
According to a survey of edible garbage made in 48 cities, ranging in population from 12,000 to two million, America is throwing away an average of three-fifths of a pound of food per day per person. Collections of garbage in the cities ranged from 552 pounds per capita per year down to 70 pounds, with a medium figure of 235 pounds. The normal range ran from 177 to 333 pounds, or from one-half to nine-tenths pounds a day per person.

Good Breakfast
In planning breakfasts for school children, take into consideration the lunch and dinner or supper that they are to have. Breakfast should provide its full share of energy foods and body-building foods, and of the "protective" foods that build resistance. "Start the day right with a good breakfast" is a rule worth remembering. A slim hurried breakfast is the prize recipe for inefficiency and a none-too-good disposition.

Watering Boosts Yield
It has been shown that watering cows twice daily produces 57 per cent more milk than watering once a day. One hundred heavy laying hens will drink 10 tons of water in a year. A laying pullet has been observed dipping her beak in a pan of water 57 consecutive times after breakfast. And it takes 550 pounds of water to produce 100 pounds of pork.

Washington Born in Virginia
The Father of Our Country was born at "Wakefield" in Westmoreland county, Virginia. This is on the southern bank of the Potomac river, between the mouths of Pope's creek and Bridge's creek and some 40 miles southeast of Fredericksburg.

Marines Guard Canal
Marine corps detachments at Balboa and Coco Solo, at the Pacific and Atlantic termini of the Panama canal, respectively, are guarding a project that shortens the water distance from San Francisco to New York by 7,873 miles.

Lightning Strikes Twice
Studies of certain electric power lines reveal that the average 50 miles of power line will be hit by lightning an average of 50 times a year, and each stroke will have a voltage of between 20 and 30 million volts.

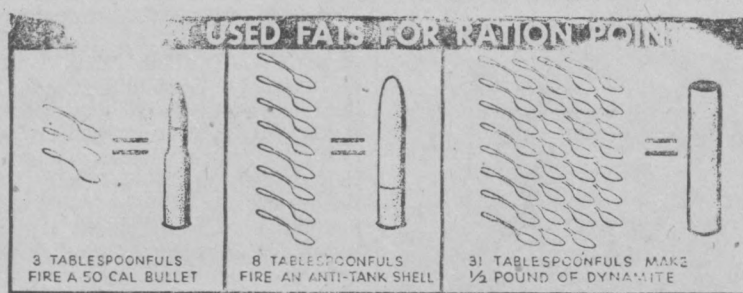
Producing Mica
Colombia is joining the ranks of American nations producing mica for the United States war effort. This strategic material, vital to radio and electrical equipment, is now being mined on a small but growing scale in the republic.

Plastic Plywood Pianos
Army field pianos that require less than 37 pounds of metal are built chiefly of plastic plywood, painted olive drab. With a collapsible bench, the total weight is 393 pounds.

Excellent Corn Substitutes
Barley, wheat, rye and oats all contain several per cent more protein than does corn, so all make excellent substitutes for corn in a mixed dairy ration.

Export Vehicles
Less than 10 per cent of Canadian automotive vehicle production is allotted to Canadian forces at home and abroad. The remaining 90 per cent is sent to other United Nations.

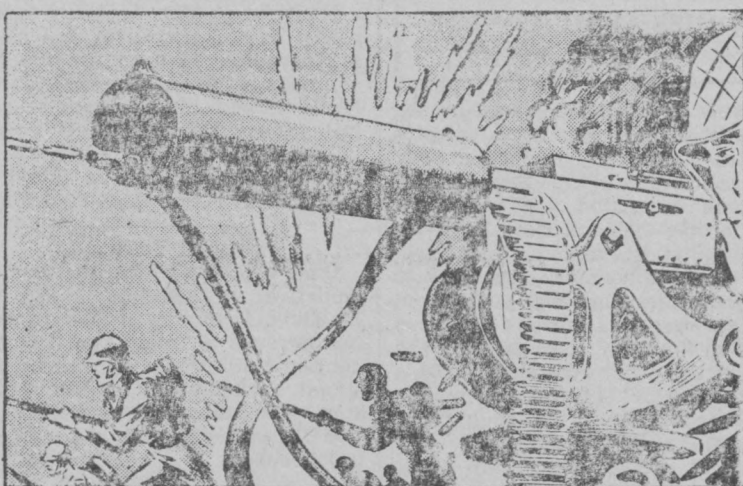
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