

## 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. Larger events will be cared for elsewhere in our columns.

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

Little Ladonna Marie Weissner, of Columbia, Penna., is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bankard.

The Annual Christmas Program of the Keysville Lutheran Sunday School will be held on Saturday evening, December 23, at 7:45.

Daniel J. Null killed three hogs for Walter Smith, near town, that weighed 500, 585 and 628 lbs respectively, yielding fourteen 50 cans of lard.

Pvt. Eugene A. Clutz, of Fort Sill, Okla., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clutz. Pvt. Clutz will return to Camp on the 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Dunbar are spending the Christmas holidays with their daughter, Mrs. J. W. Annis and family, at Lexington, Massachusetts.

Two Christmas Plays will be presented by the children and Young People of Emmanuel (Baust) E. and R. Church, on Sunday evening, Dec. 24th, at 8:15 o'clock.

Richard Moler, Mrs. Anna M. Vinn and daughter, Mrs. Carrie Lloyd and son, Glendinell, all of Charles Town, W. Va., visited Mrs. J. A. Angell and Mrs. David Hahn over the week-end.

Miss Idona E. Mehning is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mehning. Last week-end, Mr. Paul K. Cummins, Jr., of Washington, D. C., was a guest at the Mehning home.

Pvt. Raymond E. Bowers, Fort Meade, Md., spent Saturday evening with his wife and children. Other callers during the evening were: Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Bowers, New Midway; Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Reinman and Howard Baker, of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Angell entertained at dinner on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Little of town and Mrs. Nora Witherow of Washington, D. C. The occasion being in honor of the first wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Little.

The Carroll Record office has been greatly handicapped this week by the illness of our linotype operator, M. Ross Fair, who has been confined to the house and under the doctor's care by an asthmatic condition. He is much improved and hopes to return to his post before long.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Wantz, East Baltimore St., received word from the War Department on December 20, that their son Pvt. Robert F. Wantz is missing in action in Germany since Dec. 3. Pvt. Wantz was reported missing several months ago but later reported back to his Comp.

Myrtle R. Devilliss, of near town, marked his birthday anniversary on Sunday. He was surprised by an Oyster dinner prepared by his wife and Mrs. Paul Six. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Myrtle Devilliss and sons Bobbie and Billie, Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. of Emmitsburg; Mr. and Mrs. Earle Parker and Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Study and Estella Mae, Mr. and Mrs. John Devilliss all of near Taneytown.

Arrangements have been made to assign Deputy Collectors of Revenue to various counties in the District of Maryland for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in filing amended estimated Income Tax Returns, and farmers in filing Estimated Income Tax Return for the Calendar year 1944. The date and locality on which this official will visit Taneytown is January 6th, and the Post Office will be his headquarters.

## WEEK OF PRAYER SERVICES

The annual "Week of Prayer" services, sponsored by the Protestant Churches of Taneytown, will be held during the week of December 31 to January 7, beginning on Sunday evening, December 31 and ending on Sunday evening, January 7, each evening at 7:30. Music will be furnished by an interdenominational men's chorus. The topics for discussion will be centered around the general theme "The Task of the Church." Discussions, however, will be informal, and prayer rather than preaching will be stressed as the chief activity of the series of services. The Taneytown Ministerial Association, which has arranged the Services, hopes that there will be capacity congregations at each service.

"The American competitive system has worked miracles in the past. It can work greater miracles in the future."—Malcolm Muir, publisher of Newsweek.

"I have cousin in Milwaukee; I haven't eaten in three days."—German surrendering to G.I. in Saar sector.

"Men are pugnacious and women are very pugnacious."—George Bernard Shaw, doubting women could promote world peace.

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

### Holiday Services in Taneytown Churches

#### TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Christmas program at Trinity Lutheran Church will be held Sunday evening at 7:30 P. M. The program will be as follows:

Silent prayer; organ prelude; singing by the choir; scripture; solo, Miss Idona Mehning; carol, "O Come All Ye Faithful"; dramatization of the Christmas story, "The Annunciation," "The Journey to Bethlehem"; carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem"; "The Angels' Song"; carol, "Hark, The Herald Angels Sing"; singing by the Primary and Junior Departments; singing by the choir; carol, "Angels From the Realms of Glory"; offertory; anthem, "Singing of Him," by the choir; carol, "Joy to the World"; benediction, organ postlude.

Those assisting in the dramatization are Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Shoemaker, Henry Alexander, Martin Zimmerman, Wilbur Naill, Richard Bollinger, Glenn Bollinger, Charles Null.

The committee in charge are the pastor, Mrs. M. Ross Fair, Miss Edith Hess; Mrs. Franklin Fair and Mrs. William Hopkins.

#### KEYSVILLE REFORMED

The Christmas Service at Grace Reformed Sunday School at Keysville will take place on Sunday evening, December 24, at 7:30 o'clock with the following program, piano duet by Misses Miriam Dubel; exercises and recitations by the younger pupils; special music by the choir, and a pageant, "The Christmas Story in Scripture and Song." Special offering for the Hoffman Orphanage.

#### GRACE REFORMED CHURCH

The Sunday School of Grace Reformed Church at Taneytown will hold its Christmas service on the evening of Christmas Day at 7:30 o'clock, with the following program:

Processional, "Joy to the World"; Invocation; Anthem, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear," by the Senior Choir; "Welcome," Rachel and Reba Sies; Exercise, "The Stocking Brigade," by the Beginners; solo, "Cradle Song" by Mary Alice Rue; exercise, "It's Christmas Time" by Mrs. Shreeve's Class; exercise, "The Spirit of Christmas" by Janet Sentz and Mrs. Rose Reid's Class; anthem, "Angels Guard Thee" by the Junior Choir, with Miss Charlotte Baker as soloist; exercise, "Giving Gifts" by Geo. Lambert and Mrs. Wm. McNair's Class; exercise, "Gift of the Stars" by Betty Ohler and Miss Helen Bankard's Class; exercise, "In a Good Old English Way" by Mrs. Mildred Hartsock's Class, with the congregation singing, "O Come, All Ye Faithful"; recitation, "Christmas Offering" by David Reifsnider; special offering for Homewood; playlet, "Songs in the Night" with the following characters, Caroline Shriner, Carroll Lambert, Richard Airing, William Rittace, Carroll Eckard, Angels and Choir.

### Mail Weddings Are O. K.

WASHINGTON. — Marriage by mail is O. K. with the army and the wife may collect the allowances of her soldier husband if the state in which the contract is made recognizes it as valid.

This ruling, in the case of Josephine M. Serraine of Upper Darby, Pa., and Capt. Joseph Vaccaro Jr., of Philadelphia, serving with the air forces overseas, was made by the comptroller general.

The Pennsylvania couple on December 3, 1943, by means of a document mailed back and forth for signatures, expressed their desire "to enter into the bonds of matrimony and become man and wife."

The paper stated that "whereas, it is impossible for them at this time to procure a marriage license and be married by a civil or religious ceremony" they "do hereby mutually covenant, promise and agree that they are now and henceforth will be husband and wife."

Assistant Comptroller Gen. Frank L. Yates made clear that some states require the presence of the couple at the marriage ceremony or have other regulations which would make absentee marriages impossible.

### Sewed American Flag

#### In Pillow to Fool Japs

GUAM.—The inhabitants of Guam never gave up hope that the Americans would return to this island.

One of the reasons the Japanese closed the churches was because the natives insisted on praying for the Americans to return, said Gailly R. Kamminga, commissioner of Piti town.

Kamminga, whose father came from Holland, laughed as he told how the Japanese looked through his house for an American flag. They threw a pillow from side to side without discovering the flag sewed inside. That was the work of his niece, Juana, a dressmaker, who said she had to cut down American marines' shirts to fit the Nipponese.

## One Friend To Another...

*Is good a friend... as the good old city knew, or any other good old city, town or borough, in the good old world"—A Christmas Carol.*

These words of Charles Dickens express exactly what this newspaper tries to be to the people of this community.

Because it is during the season of Christmas that the strength of friendships is most evident we choose now as the time to express our resolve to continue to be worthy of the friendship you have shown us.

In turn we wish for you the most Merry Christmas you have ever had. Despite the anxiety and worry which the war has brought to many of our homes in the past year, we urge you to remember that the bells of Christmas were ringing long before the warriors of wrong rose up and they will be ringing still when the scars of this generation's conflict are healed and forgotten.

Make faith in such thought your closest companion during this Christmas season.

Let friendship and faith then keynote our Christmas this year.

With such solid foundations our wish for you is certain to become reality—

*A Merry Christmas*



## SOLDIER INJURED

### Pvt. West Has Auto Accident Near Camp Ritchie

Pvt. Samuel P. West, of Camp Ritchie, Md., met with an auto accident Tuesday evening, between 5:00 and 5:30 o'clock, from which he received a fracture of his left elbow and concussion of the brain.

Pvt. West was on his way to Taneytown to spend the night with his wife, Mrs. Marion Six West. When coming around a curve in the road, between Camp Ritchie and Emmitsburg, in trying to avoid hitting a car with a number of children in, he ran into a post. The car went over the guard fence, rolled down a steep bank (about 10 feet) landing on its wheels. There was snow on the side of the road which may have been part of the reason for the car skidding.

Pvt. West crawled up the bank and was then picked up by a passer-by and brought to Taneytown. From here he was taken in the ambulance to the Camp Ritchie Hospital.

## PROCEEDINGS ORPHANS' COURT

Joshua L. Barnes, administrator of the estate of Edna B. Barnes, deceased, returned inventories of both Real and Personal Property, and received an Order to Sell Personalty.

Minnie Gertrude Rinehart, Executrix of the estate of William C. Rinehart, deceased, settled her First Administration Account, and received Order to Transfer Title to Stock.

80 Norman B. Boyle, administrator of the estate of Joseph Carbery Boyle, deceased, returned inventory of real estate, filed Report of Sale of Personalty, and stated his first and final account.

Harvey T. Rill, administrator of the estate of Edna B. Barnes, deceased, returned inventories of Real and Personal Property, and received order to sell personalty.

Herbert J. Zepp, of Littlestown, Pennsylvania, qualified as ancillary executor of the estate of George W. Zepp, late of Adams county, Pennsylvania, deceased, and received order to sell real estate; situate in Carroll county.

Fetter B. Newball, et al., administrators of the estate of Elsie M. Shaver, deceased, returned inventories of real and personal property, and received order to sell personalty.

Harry T. F. Hollenbach, administrator of the estate of Mary A. Jones, deceased, filed report of sale of personalty, and stated his first and final account. The court passing an order directing said administrator to deposit funds of infants.

Alvie G. Spencer, et al., executors of Charles W. Spencer, deceased, filed their report of sale of personal property.

Fetter B. Newball, et al., administrators of the estate of Elsie M. Shaver, deceased, received order to sell securities.

F. Neale Parke, administrator w.a. of the estate of Ada Hobbs stated a supplemental account to the second and final account.

Letters Testamentary, in the estate of Virginia V. Duttera, late of Carroll county, deceased, were issued to George E. Dodder, of Taneytown, Maryland.

"The manufacturers of the United States, together with their workers, have provided the tools with which great successes have been won."—Pres. Roosevelt to Nat'l Assn. of Manufacturers.

"It's ridiculous, preposterous and indefensible!"—Rep. Murray, (R. Wis.) blasting at idea of raising Congressmen's pay.

## KIWANIS CLUB

### Holds Christmas Party at Union Bridge

The Taneytown Kiwanis Club held its annual Christmas party on Wednesday evening at 6:30, at the Firemen's Social Hall in Union Bridge. President Clyde L. Hesson. A delicious turkey dinner was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Union Bridge Firemen. The period of group singing was in charge of Wallace Reindollar, with Mrs. Wallace Yingling as accompanist. The program which was informal, was in charge of the Committee on Underprivileged Children, Dr. T. H. Legg, Chairman. Announcement was made to the effect that later in the week Christmas dinner baskets and baskets of fruit will be distributed by the Committee, assisted by a committee of ladies, to needy children and to some elderly people in the Taneytown and Union Bridge communities. Rev. Guy P. Bready spoke briefly on the topic, "The Real Santa Claus."

The following members and guests were present Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hesson, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Legg, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Carel E. Frock, Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Nusbaum, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Baumgardner, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Harner, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. George Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. Howell Royer, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Essig, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Parish, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clutz, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Breth, Rev. and Mrs. Guy P. Bready, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Yingling, Mr. Walter A. Bower, Miss Virginia Bower, Mr. John O. Crapster, Miss Fairy Frock, Mr. Robert W. Smith, Miss Margary Coleman, Clarence Isach of Baton Rouge, La., Raymond Selby, Mr. Scott Schwartz, Miss Ruth Stambaugh, Mr. Raymond Wright, Mr. Melvin Sell, Mr. Doty Robb, Mr. George Dodder, Mr. Wallace Reindollar, Dr. C. M. Benner, Mrs. Lulu Basehoar, and Miss Mary Ellen Leh.

The meeting next week will be observed as "President's Night," and will be in charge of the retiring President, Clyde L. Hesson.

## Robots Will Displace

### Other Planes, Forecast

BALTIMORE, MD. — Peyton M. Magruder, airplane designer recently returned from the European battle front, predicted that the German robot plane would revolutionize air warfare and eventually replace piloted bombers.

"Two hundred years from now Hitler will be remembered as the man responsible for the first pilotless plane," Magruder said.

Magruder is chief of new design at the Glenn L. Martin airplane manufacturing plant. He originated the Martin Marauder bomber.

## Nazi General Is Rooted

### Out of Cellar in France

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, AEF.—The 10th German general killed or captured by the American Seventh army in France was rooted out from the cellar of a little farmhouse west of the Belfort gap.

He is Maj. Gen. D. Rodowski, commander of the garrison of Clermont Ferrand, where Pierre Laval published a newspaper. His force was scattered by the Seventh army's drive north from the Riviera.

## C. OF C. MEETS

### Plans For Christmas Party Completed

The Taneytown Chamber of Commerce met in regular session Monday night, December 18, Merwyn C. Fuss, president, presiding. In the absence of the secretary, David Smith, vice-president, recorded the minutes.

The president made a report on the program for the Christmas Party and said everything had been arranged to give the children a very nice party.

Report on the banquet was made by Vice-President Smith.

Discussion was made on the Taneytown Memorial project by the president, John O. Crapster, Carl B. Haines and Rev. Chas. S. Owen.

## Pet Woodchuck Enjoys

### Life Down on the Farm

PITTSVILLE, WIS. — Peter the Great, a pet woodchuck of the George Yetters near Pittsville, has become domesticated, and from all indications he likes living on the Yetter farm as well as any woodland home.

Mrs. Yetter found the baby woodchuck last June at Castle Rock near Sparta. He was huddled near a path, trembling with fright. She brought him to their farm, named him Peter and fed him milk with a medicine dropper until he became a seven-pound, playful little animal.

One day last September, Peter wandered into the garden, dug his first hole and hibernated for the winter. In April he left his den, and was found wandering in the garden by Joe Arnold, a road patrolman. Mrs. Yetter was summoned, and Peter seemed tickled to see her again.

Again he was fed with an eye dropper, for he had lost four pounds, but now he eats all he can get. He is very fond of lettuce, and has developed a taste for sweets, especially ice cream and cookies.

Peter makes himself at home in the Yetter house. When the Yetters are too busy to play with him, he amuses himself with an old rubber ball, and when he is tired he climbs up on the davenport for a nap. The farm cats are afraid of the woodchuck, but Peter has made friends with the family's big yellow-haired dog.

## Loyalty Sneer Leads to

### Death, Murder Charge

MONACA, PA.—One man called another a slacker. They fought with bare fists. One is dead, the other held on a charge of murder.

Frank Lyons, 37, died of a broken jaw and fractured skull. His alleged assailant, Joseph Thomas, 27, Monaca war worker, is held to answer to a charge of murder.

The two men quarreled on the street. Police learned Lyons called Thomas a "slacker." Lyons was knocked down with a blow to the jaw and fell, striking his head against the curb.

## Colonel's Bonnet Is Too,

### Too Divine; He Blushes

WITH U. S. ARMY IN NORMANDY. — A colonel looked very dashing as his jeep slid to a halt on the gravel road. Strips of green and brown camouflage cloth fluttered from the netting of his helmet like the plumes a knight might have worn.

He blushed when questioned about his headgear. It seems he had given his helmet to a soldier to have camouflage attached. Not until later did he discover that the soldier in private life had been a woman's hat designer.

## 4,000 Autos a Day Are

### Headed for Scrap Heap

WASHINGTON.—More than 4,000 autos are being scrapped daily and approximately 1,500,000 will leave the highways permanently this year.

The OWI estimated that the supply of new cars subject to rationing had dwindled to 20,000 and that 650,000 used cars are in dealers' hands.

By the end of this year the number of privately owned passenger cars in operation is expected to be about 23,750,000. The ODT regards 20,000,000 privately owned cars run by essential drivers as the minimum number necessary to keep the civilian economy in operation.

## Find Louvain Library

### Partly Wrecked Shell

LOUVAIN, BELGIUM. — The famous Louvain library is partly in ruins, another victim of German ruthlessness. The library was destroyed by the Germans in World War I and rebuilt by public subscriptions in the United States. The building was again partly destroyed by the Germans when they entered Louvain four years ago, and hasn't been touched by Allied aerial bombardment. The front walls and roofs still stand, but the rear is an empty shell, framed by bare walls and empty windows.

## CHRISTMAS AT TANEYTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

### Schools Closed for the Holiday Until January 3

The Taneytown High School observed the Christmas season with two events in the auditorium. The one was "The Carol Sing" by the Glee Club and students, with the aid of the school orchestra. The songs consisted of Christmas hymns of a high type, together with processional and recessional.

The other event was a Christmas play, "They That Sit in Darkness," given by nineteen students, in the auditorium on Tuesday evening, December 19, at 7:30 P. M.

There were four scenes in the play, the first three being beside the well in Bethlehem. With appropriate scenery and costumes the play was well rendered.

## CORRECTIVE STEPS IN BRAKING SYSTEM URGED

The findings of a recent inspection of several thousands of automobiles revealed that defective rubber hose in the hydraulic braking system had contributed very materially to numerous serious accidents. Foremost of three causes according to an announcement by the American Automobile Association, has been the dripping of lubricating oil or excess chassis or steering lubricants on the brake hose. The Automobile Club of Maryland and the AAA, through the Westminster office urges all motorists to have their brake hose connection inspected by a competent mechanic and where presence of ANY oil or grease deposit exists, replace of hose is recommended as well as the use of the proper brake fluid. Serious accidents are already on record resulting from brake failure due to rupture to brake hose upon forceful application of the break pedal. Many lives can be saved and many cars continued in operation for the duration by an intelligent preventive effort against this hazard that wartime conditions have magnified into such importance, says the AAA.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

Theodore F. Ward and Kathleen L. Hooper, Westminster, Md.  
Ray E. Hawk and Pearl S. Henry Littlestown, Pa.  
Charles F. Myers and Doris A. J. Thomas, Baltimore, Md.  
Archie D. Toms and Jeannette E. Shoemaker, Cavetown, Md.  
James M. Bollinger and Ruby M. Fritz, New Windsor, Md.  
Francis R. Keagy and Dorothy L. Wentz, York, Pa.  
Ralph K. Zartman and Lela M. Grimes Hanover, Pa.  
LeRoy F. Flickinger and Catherine D. Brown, Hanover, Pa.

## FINAL DATE OF FEED PAYMENTS

"Ferris R. Penn, Chairman of the Carroll County AAA Committee advises all applicants who have not filed an application for their Sept. and Oct. Dairy Feed Payment to do so before December 30th, inasmuch as this is the final payment date and no payments can be made after this date."

"What would any sane man want with four wives?"—Noah Gray, 38, of Chicago, pleading guilty to marrying three without divorces, but no more.

"What an awful lot of hay this place would hold!"—U. S. Senator W. E. Jenner, Indiana, inspecting his office in Washington.

"I wouldn't be caught dead with a British Communist!"—American-born Lady Astor, British M. P.

"Dishwasher wanted, \$35 wk. Saxophone player wanted, \$30 wk."—Sign in New York employment agency.

"How often can people stand to look at my kisser?"—Comedian Bob Hope, suspending movie-making for a while.

"I'm getting too old to be afraid of anybody!"—Druggist George Haring, 82, explaining to Chicago cops why he socked a burglar.

## Ration Reminders

Meats, Fats—Red Stamps A8 thru Z8 and A5 through S5, good indefinitely. No new stamps until December 31st.

Processed Foods—Blue Stamps A8 through Z8; A5 through Z5, A2 and B2 remain valid indefinitely. No new blue stamps will be validated until the first of next month.

Sugar—Sugar Stamps 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34 each good for five pounds indefinitely. Stamp 40, good for five pounds of canning sugar through February 28, 1945.

Gasoline—A-13 coupons in new ration book good for four gallons thru December 21st. A-14 coupons good for four gallons beginning December 22nd.

FUEL OIL—East and West 1 and 2 coupons good for ten gallons per unit. Mid-West and South 2 and 3 coupons good for ten gallons per unit.

Shoes—Airplane Stamps, 1, 2 and 3 in Book Three, good indefinitely



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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1944

## DOE TO THE ILLNESS OF OUR LINO TYPE OPERATOR WE WILL NOT HAVE OUR USUAL AMOUNT OF EDITORIAL IN THESE COLUMNS THIS WEEK. THE EDITOR.

### THE CROSSROAD OF TIME

A mother lays her new born child in a crib... angels appear on a hillside... shepherds hurry quietly into Bethlehem.

Somewhat, the world stood still that night. Time was at the crossroads. Men took a long last look at the Old Testament and turned their faces toward a new era -- an age of love and brotherhood. With the first gurgle of that Jewish baby, Christianity drew its first breath on earth.

But why? -- who is this baby? Let's go over and look into that crib! There he lies -- a little boy. His mother has him so wrapped that all we can see is his face -- but it seems no different from other baby faces.

The strange, the mysterious fact about this baby boy is that the Jewish world has been talking about him for the past 1,500 years. Long ago -- 500 years before -- the prophets had lifted up their voices and said: "Behold! A virgin shall be with child, and bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel" (Matt. 1: 23).

"Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb shall sing."

"And he shall feed his flock like a shepherd, and he shall gather the lambs with his arm and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young."

This baby then -- this child -- is He the Prince of Peace? -- God the Mighty? Yes, because when He grew to manhood, He said He was God and He proved it. That's history.

And that is the marvel of this festival. It's that which brings the Christmas world to its knees every year: the spectacle of Almighty God in the flesh; the devout adoration of those tiny fingers -- fingers which shaped the mountains and set the moon in her place, now reaching out helplessly for Mary's face; those lips which pronounced the Fiat of Creation, now tiny and blue with cold.

Is it any wonder that today we raise our voices with angels and archangels? Today our Christ was born. Today our Saviour appeared. Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth, peace to men of good will!

"Come and behold Him, born the King of Angels." No, we must do more than behold. We must adore our God, enthroned now in the manger, soon on the Cross. -- The Catholic Information Society

### Liquor Consumption

Per capita consumption of distilled spirits in the United States declined 25 per cent last year, as compared with the 1942 rate. The drop in 1943 per capita wine consumption from the record high 1942 level was 16 per cent. Consumption of beer, on the other hand, rose 10 per cent on a per capita basis.

During 1943, per capita consumption of distilled spirits fell almost to the 1940 level, although national income was about double that reported for 1940. One of the principal reasons for this, of course, was the 1943 shortage of domestic whiskey and gin, resulting from the cessation of domestic whiskey, gin and blending spirits production in the latter part of 1942. Another reason may have been the reluctance of some consumers to pay the old 1943 Federal excise tax on distilled spirits of \$6 per gallon, a 50 per cent increase from the 1942 rate. Still another reason may have been the increasing number of servicemen who were leaving the U. S. last year for overseas.

## Renewal of Strawberry Beds Brings Dividends

Renovation of some patches of strawberry beds slated to be plowed under will pay. Mow the bed as close to the crowns as possible, remove leaves and any loose straw or mulching material and burn it. However, if the bed is badly infested with insects, such as the crown borer or such diseases as red stele, it will not pay to renovate it.

During the summer months the vigor and growth of the plants can be maintained by applying well-rotted manure between the rows. A commercial fertilizer high in nitrogen is a good substitute for manure or the readily available 4-12-4 fertilizer probably will be satisfactory. Commercial fertilizer should be used at the rate of 1½ pounds to 100 square feet or 300 pounds to the acre. Keeping the ground in good tilth and applying lots of water during drouth periods would help secure a good stand of runner plants for next year's fruiting with a greater probability of a high yield of good-quality berries.

In November or early December it will be necessary to apply a mulch to protect the bed. This is usually done after the temperature has dropped to 32 degrees but before it has dropped to the dangerous level of 18 or 20 degrees. The mulch should be ready to apply whenever weather forecasts during November give warnings of severe drops in temperature.

## Seedless Grapes Easily Frozen for Winter Use

Grapes of the small white Thompson seedless variety can be frozen easily in the summer for enjoyment next winter, according to Miss Jean Chase, home economist, University of Illinois college of agriculture.

Choose top-quality grapes at the proper stage of ripeness for eating. Discard any overripe or bruised fruit, wash thoroughly and remove stems. Fill containers with whole fruit and add enough cold 40 per cent syrup to cover grapes. Allow plenty of space for expansion. One pound of grapes will fill a pint box.

Use 1¼ cups of water to 1 cup sugar to make a 40 per cent syrup. Heat both to the boiling point, keeping syrup covered so that the concentration of syrup is not changed by evaporation. Always cool syrup before adding it to the grapes. Remember to prepare the grapes for freezing as soon as possible after picking and to freeze as soon as possible after packaging. When thawing grapes, leave them in the original unopened container placed in the refrigerator. A pound package will thaw in from 6 to 16 hours in the refrigerator.

### Small Nation

Uruguay is the smallest of all the South American countries: 72,500 square miles; and has the largest density of population of all of them: about 11.5 per square mile. It is located in the temperate zone, its geographical center being approximately 34° South and 56° West. Brazil is its northern and northeastern limit, Argentina its western, the Plata river (called river because of the low salinity of its waters even when it has a width of about 200 miles at the point regarded as its mouth) the southern, and the Atlantic ocean its southwestern. Its climate is mild, but any of the four seasons is typically different. The temperature varies between approximately 104° Fahrenheit in a few midsummer afternoons to approximately 30° Fahrenheit in a few midwinter dawns, the yearly average being 61.2. The rainfall amounts to an average of 37.5" a year, fairly evenly distributed throughout the seasons, although a bit heavier in fall and a bit lighter in summer. Snow is unknown (the last snowfall--1919--is one of the outstanding meteorological rarities that has happened in the country), as well as tornadoes, typhoons, etc.

### Ice Manufacture

Carbon dioxide has solved one problem of ice manufacture, eliminating brittleness in ice blocks and making it possible to increase production as much as 35 per cent, according to a report to the American Chemical Society.

Use of low temperatures to freeze water naturally increases the capacity of an ice plant, but ice frozen so quickly tends to shatter, it was said. The carbonation of the water makes "softer" ice, and prevents cracking or shattering, even in cases where other softening and anti-crack compounds failed.

The process is economical, and in some cases "carbonation" has enabled as high as a 35 per cent increase in production without addition to existing plant facilities.

### Disease Resistant

Another disease-resistant bean variety developed by U. S. department of agriculture research has been proving its worth, according to reports from the Pacific Northwest. It is the Pioneer bean, by far the best snap bean variety for certain northwestern areas, says USDA, although it is reported to be no better than many standard varieties when used in other sections. The particular advantage of the Pioneer is its resistance to the curly top disease. While it is susceptible to rust and yellow bean mosaic, rusts are rarely destructive in the areas where curly top is severe, reports show.



"Even today, as in days of old,  
We are sometimes blessed with  
gifts of gold."

MISS LETTY read the inscription over a life-size picture of the manger scene.

The sight of bright tinsel decorations, the sound of carols, and the smell of holly and fir on the crisp air between stores filled her with a nostalgia that almost unnerved her.

She had intended to shed twenty years of her life like a worn cloak, forgetting that she had spent her best days making a heaven on earth for her crippled mother so that her knight had wearied of waiting. Now she was going shopping for a family that had never been hers except in her thoughts, a plain little girl with pigtailed and freckles, and a sturdy small boy with pudgy hands and round expectant eyes.

She wondered what Larry Haines was doing. Poor Larry! She wished she might have said "yes" to his persistent wooing. The girl with whom he had run off had not bothered to make a decent home for him. Finally they had moved from town and Miss Letty had quite lost track of them.

Recalling that she had come to town to pretend, she made a fren-



zied dash to the toy department. She began to buy recklessly, getting into the spirit of her game.

"I'll find someone to give them to, she thought. Maybe I can borrow a couple of children from an orphanage just for Christmas.

On the way home she stopped to buy a tree and some bright decorations. At the grocer's she gave an order that made that good man's eyes nearly pop out of his head.

Leaving the store behind, loneliness swept over her. The house would be dark when she got home. Maybe the fire would be out, too.

She peered into the gathering dusk. Somebody was there waiting for her on the front veranda of the rambling old mansion. She hastened her steps. A man stepped forward out of the shadows, a child clinging to each hand.

"Letty," he said, "it's Larry!" "Land sakes!" she exclaimed. "You gave me a turn. Come in out of the cold."

She hustled them indoors, and turned to take a good look as she switched on the lights. It was indeed Larry, older and grayer, but trim and neat in a navy uniform. There stood her dream children, a plain little girl with pigtailed and freckles, and a sturdy small boy with pudgy hands and round eyes brimming over with tears.

"I want my Mummy," he sobbed. "His mother is dead," explained Larry.

"I thought, Letty," said the man, "that maybe you could look out for them a little. See, I've joined the navy. I've got to go and I hate to leave Letty and Jackie to almost anybody."

Miss Letty gulped and sat down suddenly in the rocker, gathering the little fellow into her arms.

"Gifts of gold," she murmured, "at Christmas."

"Many's the time I've dreamed of seeing you like that," he said, reaching for one of her hands. She noticed how thin he was. How thin the children were, too, and how inadequate their clothing. "I haven't got much, Letty," he began, "but whatever I've got is yours if you want it."

Still holding the small figure in her arms, she rose to open the door to the kitchen. The house radiated warmth and good cheer. "Fine," she said gently. "Welcome home, children. We'll have baths and supper, and then we'll trim the tree."

Larry's eyes caressed her. "Maybe, if I could get the license we could be married before I go off."

"Maybe we could, Larry."

His arms were suddenly around her and the child, his lips warm against her cheek. Little Letty clapped her hands. "Such a Christmas we are going to have!" she cried.

"Even today," quoted Miss Letty, remembering the inscription, "as in days of old, we are sometimes blessed with gifts of gold."

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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 Testamentary on the personal estate of

FRANKLIN SEESE UNGER, 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 subscriber, on or before the 23rd day of June, next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate.

Given under my hand this 20th day of November, 1944.

EMMA JANE UNGER, Administratrix of the estate of Franklin Seese Unger, late of Carroll County, deceased. 11-24-5t

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

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

MARY E. CRAPSTER, 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 23rd day of June, next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefits of said estate.

Given under our hands this 20th day of November, 1944.

ELEEN PATTERSON OURAND CATHERINE ELIZA.

BETH WALTERSDORF, Executrices of the estate of Mary E. Crapster, deceased. 11-24-5t

## NOTICE OF STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Taneytown Savings Bank for the election of Directors, approval of the acts of the Board of Directors and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting, will be held at the office of the said Bank on the last Tuesday of December, being the 26th day thereof, between the hours of two and three o'clock, P. M.

CLYDE L. HESSON, Secretary.

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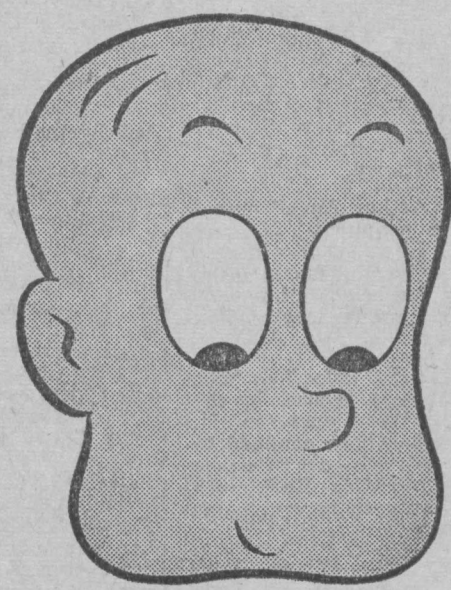
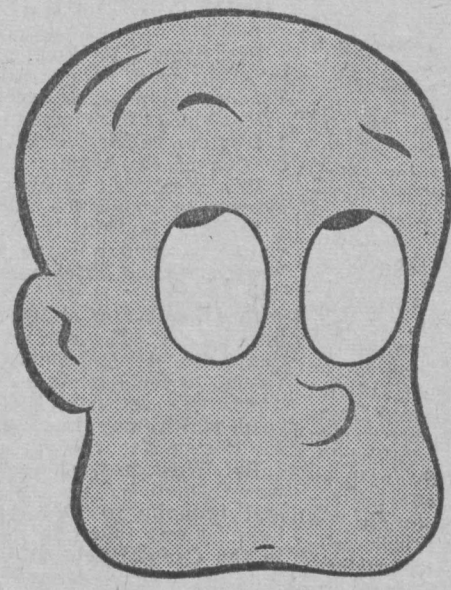
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vest now the sooner they'll return to take up their lives where they left off. So, we say—shorten it with War Bonds! Keep faith with the men on the fighting fronts!

And remember—your son and your neighbors' sons are fighting for a way of life that must be preserved for them here on the home front. Your investments in War Bonds will pay for the new farm machinery you and the boy will need when peace comes. He'll be counting on you for this, just as he's counting on your support now. Don't let him down.

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# THE CARROLL RECORD

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1944

## 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 East Mail, west in W. M. R. B., 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 an 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.

### FRIZELLBURG

Pvt. Robert Warner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lease Warner, who was seriously wounded in Italy in October, and later flew back to America, and is now convalescing in the England General Hospital in Atlantic City, N. J., spent a few days with his parents. That long-looked-for pleasure, "Coming Home," finally materialized and we are all so happy to welcome Bob back again.

Mr. Thomas Easley, of Baltimore, was a Sunday guest of William Arthur and family.

The dawn of this new day finds the earth covered with a white blanket the trees and shrubbery looking so beautiful, what a perfect setting for our Christmas season. Isn't it nice to enjoy the four seasons of the year, each one has its own loveliness. I'm thinking Santa will have to add a few sleds to his pack.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Myers entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Albough, of Baltimore, on Sunday. They are frequent visitors in the Myers home.

Charles Marker butchered four big hogs this week, their total weight being 1250 pounds. The family will not have to worry about red points for a few months to come.

Miss Emily Welk who, with her parents, moved from our village to Uniontown this fall, called on some old neighbors on Sunday.

Christmas just one week away finds the housewives busy making cookies and the last minute shopping. With the scarcity of candy this year we need not fear having an upset stomach after the holidays. Isn't it true, always something to be thankful for.

Rev. Charles Bix, of Baltimore, has accepted the call to the Uniontown Lutheran Church and will assume his new duties on Feb. 1. The former pastor, Rev. George E. Bowersox, Jr., who served this pastorate for the past four and one-half years is now living in Salisbury, Penna.

Misses May, Rosa and Madeline Geiman, of College Hill, called on Mrs. Harry K. Myers recently.

Merry Christmas to the Carroll Record and its subscribers.

### FEESBURG

After the fairest of days and the clearest sunset on Sunday, here is a cloudy sky—without sunshine on Monday morning and a mild atmosphere for mid-winter. Snow is reported in nearby states, so maybe we dare expect a white Christmas—which makes it seem just right.

On Friday noon, Mrs. Edward Ritter—who was living with her grandson, Donald Devilbiss, in Bark Hill, came to Grove Dale for a visit. It is over 40 years ago that she and Mr. Ritter with their three children moved from Morrison, Ill., to the J. Shirk farm here, which they had just purchased; and where they resided about 15 years, and were the kindest of neighbors.

James Kalbach, who had lived with relatives in Pamplin, Va., the past 3 years, moved back to our town on Saturday and is lodging with the Grinders at present.

Thelma Nushbaum and small son, Danny, of New Windsor, visited uncle, John Starr and wife, on Sunday, but were called home for ambulance cases—two of them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wolfe spent Sunday evening with the Maurice Smith family near Creagerstown, and with them attended the Christmas service in the Lutheran Church; with the shepherds around the manger and the wise men in tableaux; closing with a candle lighting recessional of the audience with Christmas music.

A Christmas card from Paul Spurrier, in Italy, has just been received, so we know something of his whereabouts, and that he remembers old friends.

One of these love V-mail letters from Kenneth Bair, received last week by a friend, says he is in France and likes it better than England where he was stationed for some time.

Charles, youngest son of Horace and Lettie Bickel Poston, has been in a hospital in Italy since Oct. 13 when he was struck in the leg by a piece of shell. He is improving and can put a little weight on it but of course he longs to see his wife and child.

Norway Nushbaum and wife were home from Norfolk, Va., at the end of the week, and returned on Sunday evening. While working with a saw at the shipbuilding yard, it flew off and struck his right hand, causing a complex fracture of the bone between the forefinger and wrist; which, of course, received prompt treatment but hasn't healed well. So he's going back to the hospital to have the bone reset this week.

The picture of 6 sons of Rockwood and Pearl Starr Nushbaum, in their country's uniform, appeared in the Frederick Post last week. A family of patriots, but not all have left the homeland yet.

From a camp in Virginia, Samuel Lockhart was home for two days last week to visit his wife and baby, both of whom are much improved.

Miss Sue Bivly spent most of last Thursday in Union Bridge, where

supplies are as plentiful and less in price than elsewhere. It is amazing anyhow that people seem to think they must go off to larger towns; and when local help is needed they apply to the merchants nearby and resent it if they don't respond generously.

Rev. F. K. Wentz, of Gettysburg Seminary, was the supply preacher at Mt. Union on Sunday morning and spoke well on "The Victory of Faith." The music, both instrumental and vocal, was of the Christmas spirit, but a number were missing from the choir. S. S. followed the preaching service with an earnest lesson on Christian living. There will be no special program for a Christmas service this year, but the primary classes will be given their annual treat of candy next Sunday at Sunday School.

The class of Smiling Sunbeams will meet at the Parish House at Mt. Union this Tuesday evening—a little Christmas party—when they exchange their inexpensive comradely gifts and have a generally good time, after the devotional and business program.

We have received a good looking picture of the Bayou Convalescent Hotel in St. Petersburg, Florida, where Raymond K. Angel resides. It is described as "a modernly equipped institution, ideally located in the Sunshine City—the healthiest spot on earth, with well kept lawns, shrubs, lily pools, colorful gardens, and an outdoor solarium for sun-baths; and for those wishing to fish, Tampa Bay is only one block from the hotel." Raymond is well cared for—and pleased.

Let's forget about house-cleaning. A neighbor put in a full day of first class work in dining room and pantry last week, and now we are thinking of Christmas and can enjoy the carols on the air and good hymn songs.

To the Editor, his staff of assistants, and the readers of "The Carroll Record"—we extend the greetings of the season, and may its good prove lasting throughout another year. Be good for goodness' sake.

## OWING TO THE ILLNESS OF OUR LINTYPE OPERATOR WE WERE UNABLE TO "SET" A NUMBER OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS SENT TO US BY OUR FAITHFUL AND VALUED CORRESPONDENTS.

THE EDITOR

## Rural Bond Sales Effective Step In Postwar Planning

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard today called on American farmers to invest all "extra" dollars in War Bonds during the Sixth War Loan beginning November 20 as an "effective step in postwar planning" for rural America.

Directing his appeal, "To the Farm People of America," Secretary Wickard said, "the farm people of this country have an outstanding war record."

"It still takes a lot of money to finance the war, even though we are winning. The single task of supplying the Pacific theater is a tremendous undertaking. Add to that the equipment which was needed on the invasion coast of France, the supplies that are required now to knock down the walls of Hitler's Germany, and the total is staggering. So our job here at home is by no means over, just as the war on the fighting front isn't over. Our homefront responsibility is twofold: One is to stick to our job and do it well until total victory is won; the other is to buy War Bonds."

"The farm people of this country have an outstanding war record. They have achieved a production miracle in the face of wartime difficulties. Their bond-buying record is good, too, as indicated by the fact that farmers and their families purchased more than one and a quarter billion dollars' worth of bonds in 1943. This figures out at about 16 per cent of their net income."

"This Sixth War Loan campaign is the biggest yet for agriculture, but never before has agriculture had so many dollars that could be put into War Bonds. The record production of farmers, coupled with favorable commodity prices, has pushed their income up to an all-time high level. The investment of those extra, inflationary dollars in War Bonds would be the most effective step in postwar planning Rural America could take."

"Stake your share in the future—share your stake in the war."

### Gives Crowd Something

#### Worth While to Gawk At

PHILADELPHIA. — Patrolman Charles Seiber extinguished a fire in an automobile, then saw a crowd had gathered. He mounted the running board, cleared his throat, and bellowed like a carnival barker, "Ladies and gentlemen, this is only the side show. The main attraction is just a few doors away. Admission absolutely free." He pointed to a Red Cross subscription booth. "They were gawking, so I gave them something worth while to gawk at," he said.

### GI Art Professor

#### Help Restore Cassino

ST. PAUL, MINN. — After the war, Pvt. Frank Kacmarick, 25, of North St. Paul, hopes to take a hand toward restoration of masterpieces of Beuron liturgical art, destroyed in the bombing of Monte Cassino.

Private Kacmarick is a graduate of Minneapolis school of art, and expects to return after the war to St. John's university, Collegeville, Minn., where he taught art for five years. He has specialized in the study of Beuron art, so called because it originated in the Beuron Benedictine abbey in Germany.



### Power Resource

Personal confidence is one of the world's really great power resources. When two individuals become acquainted, after they have more or less dealing with each other, confidence (or a noticeable lack of confidence) always results. This is no part of high-brow psychology. It is a practical experience that comes to every human before he knows enough words to tell about it.

The power contained in this commonplace, human relationship is too big to calculate. How many times have you known insolvent business firms to rise above ruin and fight their way to prosperity because a banker believed personally in somebody? More than once I have seen "defeated" ball teams build victory from nothing anybody could see but the hopeful grin of a respected coach.

### Of Practical Use

Nowhere in mortal experience is the power of personal trust so obvious as in a hospital. Patients get better when the doctor comes. Pain seems to lose its edge, fever actually subsides, confusion gives place to calm when the physician enters. It is a positive curative, a definite part of physical treatment. It is a thing too useful and effective to be lightly discarded.

There is a concerted movement on foot in political circles to break up this relationship between doctor and patient. It is spoken of as "instituting socialized medicine." By no means have all the details of the plan been worked out, but the early steps have been charted. It adds up to putting all doctors on the government's payroll and assigning them their patients.

### It Is Regimentation

To Mr. Average Citizen it means that he can't choose his physician. If he gets sick or a member of his family encounters accident or ill health, he must complain to a bureau and accept the doctor picked by the bureaucrat in charge. He probably will be obliged to go somewhere and fill out a blank first. If the case calls for hospital service he will be so informed and a hospital selected for him.

Boosters for socialized medicine claim it will improve the entire nation's well-being. They say it will make doctors anxious to keep their communities well, make them zealous of disease prevention. I doubt it. Making doctors salaried government men can't help but make a lot of them lazy and indifferent. It might reasonably cost many lives and it would certainly pile administrative expenses to the sky.

### A Labor of Love

Professional services, by their very nature, are personal services. In large part they are confidential. A man who is not at liberty to pick his own confidants is not a free man at all. Doctors admit that they, on the average, might earn more money in fewer hours of work under socialized medicine. Nevertheless doctors oppose it and it is to their moral credit.

Doctors oppose shorter hours at better pay; why? Because in getting these "goodies" for themselves they would cause their patients to pay more, suffer more and perhaps die sooner. The physician's work would be no longer personal . . . no longer professional. In their vital delicate services doctors would have to get along without personal confidence, the most helpful of all medicines.

### First Yank in Ireland

#### Weds School Sweetheart

HUTCHINSON, MINN. — Sergt. Milburn Henke, first U. S. soldier to land in Ireland, and Iola Christensen, his childhood sweetheart, were married at the Friedens Lutheran church here.

The romance started during their school days, and when Henke was called upon to broadcast after his landing, he named Miss Christensen as his sweetheart. She participated in the broadcast. When Henke arrived home, the first thing he did was ask Iola to become his bride the following day, but she "had to buy some clothes," so the wedding was postponed.

Henke was in the initial African campaigns and was injured when a weapon carrier overturned. He wears the Silver Star for aiding a wounded comrade in combat in North Africa.

### 8-Year-Old Girl Gets

#### Letter From Eisenhower

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.—Eight-year-old Leah Midgette thought so well of the Allied invasion of Normandy that she wrote General Eisenhower a letter telling him so.

She received this reply from the Allied commander: "Dear Leah: How very kind of you to write such a nice letter. Thank you for your good wishes to me and all my Allied command. You must indeed be proud of your father, who is a member of the coast guard. Good luck to you. Sincerely, Dwight D. Eisenhower."

Leah mentioned in her letter that her father, Chief Storekeeper Augustus Midgette, has been in the coast guard 17 years.

## Rancher, 65, in Death Fight With Mad Mother Bear

Aged Man, Left for Dead by Savage Beast, Recovers And Kills It.

JACKSON, WYO. — A savage mother bear, attacking to protect her two cubs, was clubbed to death by Bernie Cole, 65-year-old rancher, after the animal had knocked him down and left him for dead, friends of Cole reported.

Cole, a husky, 175-pound bachelor employed as a caretaker on a ranch owned by Eleanor M. Patterson, publisher of the Washington Times-Herald, was attacked by the bear while cleaning out a beaver dam on a stream that runs through the property, 16 miles north of Jackson.

Cole told Homer Richards, a neighbor, that he had seen her two cubs playing in the vicinity but had paid no attention to them.

He went about his work and a few minutes later the mother bear jumped him with a savage roar. Cole had a 5-foot-long, water-soaked aspen in his hand but he never had an opportunity to use it.

### Felled by Animal.

The bear felled him with one swipe of a huge paw. Cole was knocked about 15 feet by the blow, he said, but did not lose consciousness. He retained his presence of mind and lay completely quiet, hoping the bear would go away.

Instead, she pressed the attack, biting him savagely on the shoulders and legs. Knowing that she would crush him to death if he made a single move, Cole lay still despite the pain.

Finally, convinced that he was dead, the bear wandered off. Cole lay motionless for about 10 or 15 minutes and then got up, still holding onto the water-soaked aspen.

No sooner had he reached his feet, however, than the bear rushed out of a clump of bushes and charged him again.

"I swung with my club and landed a lucky blow on her head, knocking her down and stunning her," Richards quoted Cole as saying.

"After that, I just beat her until I was all tired out."

### Not Seriously Injured.

The attack occurred near the ranch barn and after he had killed the bear, Cole saddled up a horse and rode 10 miles to a power station where he was given first aid and driven to a hospital at Jackson.

Cole was suffering from multiple cuts on the shoulders and legs and a severe cut on the head, but was not injured seriously, physicians at the hospital said. He was kept at the hospital until the next morning and discharged.

Bill Wallace, Jackson hotel proprietor, and the sheriff of Teton county said they saw the bear and estimated it weighed 700 pounds.

When it stood up, they said, it towered several inches above Cole, who is 5 feet 8 inches tall.

Richards said the bear apparently thought Cole intended to harm her cubs. A brown bear, he explained, seldom attacks without provocation, but when she thinks her cubs are endangered, a mother bear will attack anything without hesitation.

### Those Hardy Seabees

#### Also Find Time to Sow

WASHINGTON. — The Seabees aren't satisfied with building the roads and airfields on the fighting fronts—they need relaxation and are getting it on New Caledonia with a man-sized Victory garden.

The navy reported this and listed these crops already harvested: 2,862 pounds of green beans, 3,740 ears of sweet corn, 37 pounds of cucumbers, 2,926 pounds of radishes.

Lettuce and onions, other standbys of gardeners, are problems. Worms eat the lettuce; onions won't grow to edible size.

Their prize crop—more than an acre of watermelons—is not yet ready for eating.

### Scouts Will Receive

#### \$17,500 From a Song

NEW YORK.—Boy and Girl Scouts will receive \$17,500 from the "God Bless America" song fund in memory of the late Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, a trustee, who died in France.

The national council of the Boy Scouts of America was voted \$10,000 and the Girl Scout council of Greater New York \$7,500 by the fund trustees.

Created in 1940 by Irving Berlin to dispose of proceeds of his song, the fund has distributed \$121,000 to date.

### Korean Siren Is Saved

#### For Use in Air Raids

NEW YORK.—Because of the danger of United States air raids Japanese authorities in Korea have abandoned the use of a siren to summon the population for twice a day compulsory worship of Emperor Hirohito, it was disclosed by a broadcast over the controlled Keijo radio reported recently to the Office of War Information. Trumpet calls and the rendition of a song called "On to the Sea" have been broadcast at 7 a. m. and noon by local radios as a substitute for the siren, which has been restricted to use as a raid warning, the broadcast said.

## Keeping Spirit Of Christmas

HENRY VAN DYKE

(From "The Spirit of Christmas.")

It is a good thing to observe Christmas day. The mere marking of times and seasons, when men agree to stop work and make merry together, is a wise and wholesome custom. It helps one to feel the supremacy of the common life over the individual life. It reminds a man to set his own little watch, now and then, by the great clock of humanity which runs on sun time.

But there is a better thing than the observance of Christmas day, and that is, keeping Christmas.

Are you willing to forget what you have done for other people, and to remember what other people have done for you; to ignore what the world owes you, and to think what you owe the world; to put your rights in the background, and your duties in the middle distance, and your chances to do a little more than your duty in the foreground; to see that your fellowmen are just as real as you are, and to try to look behind their faces to their hearts, hungry for joy; to own that probably the only good reason for your existence is not what you are going to get out of life, but what you are going to give to life; to close your book of complaints against the management of the universe, and look around you for a place where you can sow a few seeds of happiness—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to stoop down and consider the needs and the desires of little children; to remember the weakness and loneliness of people who are growing old; to stop asking how much your friends love you, and ask yourself whether you love them enough; to bear in mind the things that other people have to bear in their hearts; to try to understand what those who live in the same house with you really want, without waiting for them to tell you; to trim your lamp so that it will give more light and less smoke, and to carry it in front so that your shadow will fall behind you; to make a grave for your ugly thoughts and a garden for your kindly feelings, with the gate open—are you willing to do these things even for a day? Then you can keep Christmas.

Are you willing to believe that love is the strongest thing in the world—stronger than hate, stronger than evil, stronger than death—and that the blessed life which began in Bethlehem 1900 years ago is the image and brightness of the Eternal Love? Then you can keep Christmas.

And if you keep it for a day, why not always? But you can never keep it alone.

## Wrap It Right



Here's what happens when packages—both overseas and domestic—are not wrapped correctly. That soldier or sailor may be a forgotten man on the holiday mail call unless packages are wrapped securely and addressed plainly.

## Brawn Takes Place of Boar's Head on Noel

Brawn has largely been substituted for the boar's head for the Christmas and New Year's celebrations. For this dish the pig's head is soaked in salt water all night, scraped, cleaned and the brain and eyes removed.

It is boiled until tender enough to remove the bones. The meat is picked from the bones, chopped fine, seasoned with red and black pepper, cloves, mace, nutmeg and salt. It is then pressed into a brick or loaf form and served cold.

The custom is believed to have originated with the ancient Romans.

## Coloring the Flames

To have colored flames in the Christmas fireplace there are a number of different chemicals which may be added to shellac as a carrier. Small pieces of wood may be painted with the mixtures or it can be mixed with sawdust. The following colors and chemicals required will give excellent results:

Violet, potassium chlorate; yellow, potassium nitrate; orange, calcium chloride; yellow, sodium chloride or salt; red, strontium nitrate; apple green, barium nitrate; emerald, copper nitrate; green borax; purple, lithium chloride.

## The Queue

The queue was officially or legally abolished in China in October, 1911, by the revolutionist under whose leadership the Manchu government was overthrown and the Republic of China established. Since the queue was regarded as a sign of the Manchu yoke, according to the Chinese News service, progressive Chinese were happy to cut their queue after establishment of the Republic in January, 1912. Many conservative Chinese and a majority of the common people kept the queue a few years longer, however, but about 1920 even the most conservative discarded it.

## Turkey Raising

Thirty per cent of the national turkey supply is produced in California, Texas and Minnesota.

## DIED.

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

### JACOB STRAWSBURG

Jacob Strawsburg, aged 68 years, a retired farmer died early this Friday morning at the home of his stepson, Alvie W. Miller, 217 Green St., York, Pa. Complications were the cause of his death.

He was the son of the late Joseph and Susan Strawsburg and is survived by his wife, Sallie Miller Strawsburg; one stepson Alvie W. Miller, York, Pa.; one step-daughter, Mrs. William Perago, York; one brother, Charles, of Baltimore; four sisters, Mrs. Julia Warner, and Maurice Clabaugh, Union Bridge; Mrs. John Smith, Unionville; Mrs. Rebecca Strawsburg, Baltimore; one grand-daughter, Mrs. Albert Barnhart, Harney, and one grandson, Melvin Miller, Yoe, Pa.

Mr. Strawsburg was engaged in farming near town, retiring a number of years ago, and was in declining health for two years and lived in York the past three months.

Funeral services will be held Sunday at 3:15 at the C. O. Fuss & Son Funeral Home in charge of Rev. Guy P. Bready. Interment will be made in the Grace Reformed Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Fuss Funeral Home on Saturday evening from 7 to 9.

In loving memory of our dear wife and mother who died June 23, 1944, Mrs. Walter Clingan.

Six long weary months have passed Since you bid me farewell; But still I love and think of you More than tongue can tell.

Often at times I wish you were here To brighten the gloomy days; And though you are gone, your dear face Will linger with me always.

Why did you go when life seemed fair And no dark clouds were near To dim the brightness of our lives, Or start the bitter tears?

I thought not at the close of day, When night veiled earth and sky, That one so full of life and hope, Would breathe her last good-bye.

No one knew just what you suffered, You bore your cross alone; You were just a contented patient, So the Master took you home. Her Loving Husband.

As twilight comes at the close of day, And sunset flames the sky, We think of you, dear mother, And the happy days gone by.

Thoughts of you come drifting back, Within our dreams to stay, To know that you are resting, When twilight ends the day. Children George and Irene.

Our thoughts go wandering when daylight fades, To the time which seems long ago; And memory paints the scenes of then, In the gold of the twilight glow.

I seem to see in the soft dim light, A face I loved the best; And think of her when the sun's last ray Goes down in the far-off west. Sister Ruth.

A tribute of love to the memory of our dear brother, Geo. A. Shoemaker, who departed this life one year ago, December 24, 1943.

The depth of sorrow we cannot tell At the loss of one we loved so well, And while he sleeps a peaceful sleep, His memory we shall always keep. What happy hours we often enjoyed,

How sweet the memory still; But they have left an aching heart The world can never fill. God knew that you were suffering, And the hills were hard to climb, So he closed your weary eyelids; And whispered, peace be thine.

Not dead to us who loved him, Not lost, but gone before; He lives with us in memory, And will forever more. By his sisters,

Blanche, Victoria and Grace.

## TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

Resolutions of Respect adopted by Taney Lodge No. 28, I. O. O. F., of Taneytown.

Whereas, An All-Wise Providence has removed from the circle of our membership, brother NATHANIEL J. WILHIDE, and we deem it fitting to make a permanent record of our deceased Brother, therefore be it Resolved, That we record our appreciation of the character and spirit of fraternal WILHIDE, deceased, that we give expression to our sorrow and sense of loss in his passing away, and that we extend to the bereaved family our sincere sympathy with them in their great loss.

Resolved, That our charges be draped in his memory, shall remind us of our own frailty, and admonish us to make the most and the best of the days allotted to us.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the Carroll Record, a copy be incorporated in the minutes of this meeting and a copy sent to the family of our deceased Brother.

DAVID SMITH,  
MORRIS C. FUSSELL,  
NORMAN S. DEVILBISS,  
Committee.



## 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 a date, counted as one word. Minimum charge, 20 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.

CASH IN ADVANCE payments are desired in all cases.

**FIRE-WOOD SAWED** Stove length and delivered, dry.—Harold Mehring. 11-3-tf

**BOWL Christmas Day.** Open Afternoon and evening.—Taney Recreation.

**FOR SALE—Fodder Shredder** in good operating order and some nice shoats.—R. E. Bankard, Taneytown, Maryland.

**FOR SALE—Christmas Suggestions:** Hand Pumps, Stirrup Pumps, Tire Chains and Water Heaters—Crouse Motor Sales.

**FOR SALE—Sow with six pigs;** one sow will have pigs in March.—Charles E. Sell, Taneytown. 12-22-2t.

**FOR SALE—Heatrola** practically new; low down wagon and carriage; a good dump rake. H. W. Barrick, Frizzelleburg.

**FOR SALE—One hundred shoats** of good corn. D. D. Clark, Walnut Grove Road. 12-22-2t

**FOR SALE—Top wood oak and hickory.** Sawed Stove length. Price \$24.00 for large truck load; delivered if not over 12 miles—Apply William R. DeGroft, Taneytown RD 1, near Kumps Station.

**FOR SALE—get your pop-corn** for the kiddies for Christmas at Percy V. Putmans. 10c lb.

**FOR QUALITY FEEDS—at good prices,** see Taneytown Southern States Coop.

**WE HAVE A SUPPLY of Brooder Stoves and Poultry Feeders** on hand at all times—Taneytown Southern States Coop.

**WE HAVE A full line of Asphalt Roofing, Roofing Coating and other miscellaneous items**—Taneytown Southern States Coop.

**LOST—30 lb Shoat.** Liberal reward will be paid for its return. L. E. Smith, Phone 31F13, Taneytown.

**FOR SALE—Christmas Trees,** Pine or Cedar, any size.—At Sell's Ice Plant. 12-15-2t

**WANTED—Old Walnut or Cherry** Corner Cupboard, Chests of Drawers, Glass and China. Get your old things together. Write today. Top prices. Address A B C care The Carroll Record, Taneytown, Md. 12-15-3t

**WANTED—Large Dogs,** 5 months old or over. \$1.00 each.—Deliver to W. L. Eckert, Taneytown. 12-8-3t

**BABY CHICKS—New Hampshire** and Rock-Hamp cross. Hatches each Friday.—Stonesifer's Hatchery, Key-mar, Md. 12-1-4t

**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. 12-25-1f

**SALESMEN'S Order Books** are supplied by The Record from the manufacturers, at standard prices. About six weeks are required for filling such orders. 3-22-3t

**KEEPING YOUR Electrical Farm Machinery** in top shape is the least you can do, we'll be glad to help you.—F. W. Grosche, 405 S. Hanover St., Baltimore (1), Md. Phone Calvert 0087. 10-20-13t

**PIANOS! PIANOS! Cramer's Big Sale** now going on. Prices slashed, Bargains galore. World's finest guaranteed Pianos. Easy terms. Big Cash discounts. Write for price list.—Cramer's Palace of Music, Frederick, Md. 6-8-tf

**FOR SALE—Florescent 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. 10-22-2f

**FOR SALE—Air Mail and V-Mail Stationery.** Just the kind of paper to write letters to Service Men.—The Record Office. 7-16-1f

**FOR SALE—Typewriter Ribbons** and Supplies; Carbon Paper—Charles L. Stonesifer, Representative of Remington Rand, Inc. 7-16-1f

**WEDDING INVITATIONS** and Announcements. Have three grades. Work almost equal to engraved, and prices to please you. 5-31-3t

**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. 1-14-1f

## Postal Money Order

### Is Not Legal Tender

NEW BEDFORD, MASS. — A postoffice money order is not legal tender in payment of debt, a district court special justice ruled recently.

Justice George H. Potter, of the third Bristol district court, made the ruling in granting an eviction order for non-payment of a tenant's rent.

## 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 P. M.

**Reformed Church, Taneytown.**—Sunday School, at 9:30 A. M.; Morning Worship at 10:30. The Christian Endeavor meetings at 6:30 P. M. will be omitted. Sunday School Christmas Service on the evening of Christmas Day at 7:30. Special offering for "Homewood" and the Hoffman Orphanage. Watch Night Service, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor Societies on Sunday night, December 31, at 11 o'clock. "Week of Prayer Services" in the Reformed Church, December 31 to January 7, inclusive, each evening at 7:30.

**Keysville—Sunday School,** at 1:00 P. M.; Worship, at 2:00; Christmas Service this Sunday evening, December 24, at 7:30. Special offering for the Hoffman Orphanage.

**Taneytown Charge of the United Brethren in Christ Church,** A. W. Garvin, pastor. Taneytown—S. S., 9:30 A. M.; Worship, 10:30 A. M.; S. C. E., 7:00 P. M.; study S. S. lesson and prayer meeting, Wed., 7:30 P. M. Thursday, 7:30 P. M. Ladies' Aid, place of meeting to be announced Sunday.

**Barts, S. S., 10 A. M.** Harney, S. S., 2:00 P. M.; Worship, 2:45 P. M. Prayer Meeting for Servicemen, Wed., 7:30 P. M. The leader will be Mrs. Lillian Spangler.

**Piney Creek Presbyterian Church,** Rev. Charles S. Owens, pastor Friday 7:30 p.m. December 22, Christmas exercises in the Church. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Morning worship and Christmas services. 10:30 S.S.

**Taneytown Presbyterian Church.**—7:30 p.m. Sunday evening worship and Christmas exercises by the children. 10 a. m., Sunday School.

**Keysville Lutheran Church.**—Christmas Services Dec. 23, 1944 S. S. 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11 a. m. Rev. A. A. Kelly Supply Pastor.

**Uniontown Lutheran Charge Rev. Charles Bix.** Pastor Elect. Emmanuel (Baut) S. S. 9:30 a.m. Preaching 10:30 a.m. Christmas Pageant, Dec. 25, 8 P.M. St. Paul's Uniontown S. S. 9:30 A.M. Christmas Program and Meditations 7:30 P.M.

## Father of Navy

The popular belief is that John Paul Jones, first regular naval officer to win outstanding victories at sea, is entitled to the honor of being the real father of the United States navy.

The No. 1 commission in the United States navy, signed by George Washington, went to John Barry, a comparatively unknown Irishman from county Wexford. Barry was granted his commission for bravery during the Revolution.

Jones is buried in the chapel of the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, in a tomb which rivals in beauty that of Napoleon in Paris, although the setting is less impressive. Barry, however, has a statue of heroic size on one of Washington's main thoroughfares, while John Paul Jones is memorialized by a small, life-size statue in a remote corner of the mall, behind the White House.

## Eucalyptus Trees

Among the most extensively planted eucalyptus trees are those of the fast-growing type, used as a fuel; as far as my information goes, it is the best wood fuel. These fuel eucalyptus can be felled with good economical success when they are five years old, although it is generally agreed that the optimum felling age is around nine years. Other slower growing varieties are planted in order to use their wood for pickets, in carpentry, etc., and some very slow growing ones furnish very hard woods which compete successfully in this field. An interesting feature associated with the growing of eucalyptus is that when they blossom in late spring they bear the practically only flower rich in nectar at that time; and so, the intelligent agriculturist is able to obtain separately the "eucalyptus honey" from the rest of the production and get a fairly high price for it.

## Plant Growth

Day length as a factor in plant growth has been receiving special attention from researchers of the U. S. department of agriculture. Necessity for supplying crop seeds for planting in various parts of the world has given impetus to studies to determine the relative value of day length in the growth and germination of different crops, and varieties of those crops. Among the versatile crops in this respect are snap beans, field kidney and lima beans, experiments have shown. Because they are "day neutral"—are able to flower when they have either short or long days—it is possible to grow them over a great range of latitudes, wherever temperatures and other seasonal conditions are favorable.

## Homespun Philosophy

By Ezra

Jack the Postmaster is snowed under. No he didn't fall into a snow drift but he stuck in a deluge of Christmas cards. They are coming in by the thousands. Big ones, little ones, white ones, colored ones, they are crowding Jack and his helpers into the corners.

The other day I went into the Post Office and I saw Jack with his coat off and his sleeves rolled up, as sorting mail.

I said, "Hiya Jack!"

He said, "Hiya Ezra!"

Deciding to rib him a bit I continued, "What are you doing with yourself these days?"

"Doing? You ought to come in back of this counter then you could see what I am doing."

"You should be paid a commission on all the mail you handle through this office then you could lay something aside for a rainy day."

"Well, I'll admit I'd try to accumulate enough for a wet evening."

"Good, Jack, be sure to take your umbrella along."

No fooling, folks, Jack is plenty busy. We were warned a month ago that there were only about forty more shopping days until Christmas. But, we all waited until now to mail our cards and packages. We had absolutely no regard for the postmaster and the mail men.

Our Christmas spirit had a long way to go to be raised to a high enough pitch so that they would drive us to send the proper greetings to our friends. Last fall they were at a record low. The condition of our world was the cause. Messages from the War Department telling us of an end last August but now they are talking about peace in the summer of 1945. What can you expect? It takes a lot of courage to muster the proper Christmas spirits this year.

Perhaps, because of this, they will be more genuine when they do descend upon us. Perhaps we will see through the immediate dark and gloomy picture into a time of eternal peace.

Our hearts will glow again When "the lights come on again All over the world!"

After all Jack doesn't mind—much. He likes to work. I have a suspicion that if he likes to work as much as he does to bowl those Christmas cards and packages will all arrive at their destination in plenty of time.

## 'And a Doll ...'



These two trusting youngsters pour all their Christmas desires into Santa's ears. And chances are exceptionally good that he will heed them—he looks completely captivated by the girls.

## Christmas Seal Origin Recalled With 1943 Drive

The origination of the Christmas tuberculosis seal was recalled by officials of the American Tuberculosis institute as the 36th annual sale got under way.

Back in 1903, Einar Holboell, then a young mail clerk in the post office at Charlottenlund, Denmark, conceived the idea of a voluntary tax on Christmas greeting cards which would benefit the poor. He gained permission from the ministry to sell the stamps at post offices for a fund to erect a hospital for tubercular children.

In 1907 Miss Emily P. Bissell of Wilmington, Del., adopted the idea and interested the American Red Cross in the project. The first national sale in 1908 brought in \$135,000 and the amount has grown larger each year. The sale of seals has saved 100,000 lives annually among tubercular patients, officials declare. At the time of his death in 1927, Holboell was president of the International Tuberculosis association and a member of the board of directors of the National Tuberculosis Association of Denmark. As a mark of honor to the originator, the Danish Christmas seal for 1927 bore his picture.

## Double Discovery

While engaged in discovering America, Columbus also took it upon himself to find one of the country's universal food favorites, the sweet potato, called by the Indians "batata." The yellow tubers are considered the original potatoes.

## Ban Is Eased on Postwar Goods

### Making Models of Civilian Items Permitted in Latest Order.

WASHINGTON. — Industry received the go-ahead signal recently to build models of postwar goods embodying new materials and wartime improvements in design and technology.

The war production board action is effective at once. It is the second of Chairman Donald M. Nelson's four orders, opposed by the armed services until a recent compromise which delayed some of the program, paving the way for ultimate reconversion of industry to consumer goods.

The permission to build experimental models, if neither labor nor machinery is diverted from war work, applies to passenger cars, refrigerators, civilian airplanes, vacuum cleaners, television equipment, radios and numerous other products, even including juke boxes and vending machines.

### Removes Limitations.

In the case of forbidden articles, no assembly of experimental models has been possible for more than two years. In some other cases, like bicycles, WPB's "victory model" regulations allowed experimentation only within the rigid, stripped-down manufacturing standards imposed to save metal.

The new order not only removes such limitations but affords priority aid under the fairly high rating of AA-3 previously available to research laboratories.

Any company may spend up to \$5,000 a month in a single plant in production of models without consulting WPB. Technical staffs or other employees may not be diverted from war work.

### Samples Barred.

"Models may not be distributed to promote sales or create demand, and shall not be displayed to the trade or the public," the board ruled. "Production of samples is specifically prohibited, and models of houses, buildings or structures involving construction may not be made."

The action is expected to help industry get designs ready in advance for the resumption of civilian goods, and to stimulate the use of plastics, light metals, and other materials which have gained new prominence during the war.

The first of Mr. Nelson's reconversion orders revoked the prohibition against non-war use of aluminum and magnesium. The third permits manufacturers to place orders now for machines and tools which will be needed when peacetime production starts.

### Pedestrian Accidents

Two-fifths of all traffic deaths were to pedestrians in 1943. Two out of every three pedestrians were killed while violating the law or engaging in some obviously 'unsafe act.

### Don't Like Heat

Spinach takes longer to mature—40 to 50 days—and does not like hot weather. It is harvested by pulling up the plant by the roots, so that one crop is all it yields.

## Date Dress Helps War Bonds Sales



A brown crepe dress, trimmed with light blue satin, is the date dress favored by Junior members of the American Women's Volunteer Services. The deep-U neckline is accented by a soft bow, the perky front peplum repeats the rounded line. The girls are planning their winter program, and sewing for themselves is an important part of it. They realize how necessary it is to save dollars for extra War Bonds—and this is an easy way to do it. Patterns similar to this may be obtained in your local store.

U. S. Treasury Department

## Western Electric Company Celebrates 75th Anniversary

World's Largest Manufacturer of Communications Equipment Has Served Nation in Peace and War



This scene from "Heritage For Victory," shows the original Bell switchboard room in Boston in 1881. "Board men" stood before the panels and switched calls as directed by the "talkers" who, seated at desks, conversed with subscribers. A supervising operator, in foreground, exercised control over the somewhat confusing procedure and waited on any prospective subscriber who chanced to wander into the office.

During November nearly 100,000 men and women, comprising the nation-wide family of the Western Electric Company, observed the organization's 75th anniversary. Western Electric, the manufacturing, purchasing and supply unit of the Bell System, has become, during World War II, the nation's largest producer of communications and electronic equipment for the Armed Forces.

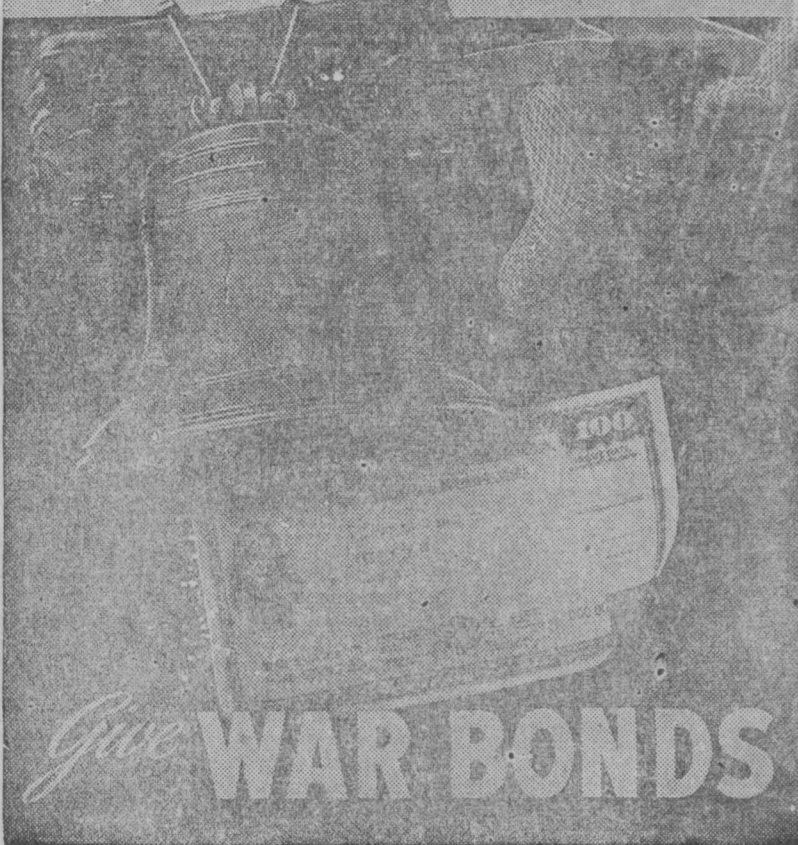
As part of the anniversary observance, employees of the company in key cities from coast to coast, previewed a feature-length motion picture entitled "Heritage For Victory" which dramatizes the growth of the organization over three quarters of a century and demonstrates how the cumulative skills, technique and experience gained through 75 years made it possible for the company to meet the great challenge this war has imposed upon it.

The story of Western Electric began in Rochester, New York, during the dark and uncertain days following the Civil War. Enos Barton, an alert young telegrapher, wished to manufacture finer telegraph instruments. He formed a partnership in Cleveland, Ohio, with Elisha Gray, a prolific inventor and former professor of science at Oberlin College. Their reputation for quality workmanship transformed their humble shop into a mecca for inventors, among them Thomas A. Edison.

In the midst of promising success, an invention of Professor Gray caused the small shop to outgrow its limited facilities. The invention consisted of an improved printer telegraph which automatically printed telegraph messages on a paper tape. General Anson Stager, vice-president of the Western Union Telegraph Company, instantly recognized the commercial possibilities of this device and, after acquiring a financial interest in the partnership, he persuaded Gray and Barton to move the business to Chicago. In 1872 the firm adopted the name Western Electric Manufacturing Company.

Professor Gray learned to send music over a telegraph wire. Concerts were transmitted by his "harmonic telegraph" from Milwaukee to Chicago four years prior to the invention of the telephone. Given a little time, Gray was certain he could send speech over a wire, but Alexander Graham Bell emerged as winner in the race for that honor. In 1881 negotiations with the American Bell Telephone Company resulted in Western Electric's becoming its manufacturing unit. At this time telephone calls were limited to the subscriber's immediate community. Year by year, Western Electric ingenuity, coupled with Bell System engineering talent, stretched the distance. The telephone spanned the nation in 1915. U. S. Army aviators spoke by radio telephone from plane-to-plane and from plane-to-ground in 1917. The world accepted electrically recorded and reproduced phonograph entertainment in 1919. The vacuum tube improved long distance telephony, and in 1922 a more powerful vacuum tube resulted in Western Electric's successful radio broadcasting transmitter. In 1926 the Western Electric sound system revolutionized silent motion picture entertainment. Regular commercial service by radio telephone to Europe became a reality the following year and quickly spread to the entire civilized world. In the meantime the Bell Telephone Laboratories had been formed to concentrate on research, and a great variety of by-products of the telephone art joined forces to provide for better living. These included improved aids for the hard-of-hearing, electrical stethoscopes, artificial fever machines, marine radio telephones, an artificial larynx for the mute, audiometric apparatus, radio compasses and other navigation aids, and finally, as a prelude to the marvelous and ultra-secret electronic instruments of World War II, the absolute altimeter, introduced in 1938, which, through timing the echo of a radio wave, gives pilots the exact height above the terrain, whether over water, land or hidden obstruction. With Pearl Harbor, production of telephone equipment for purely civilian use virtually ended. Today no U. S. pilot takes to the air without the support of some Western Electric essential. Radio sets from the skilled hands of telephone makers plunged across the Siegfried line in U. S. tanks. Electrical gun directors, containing elements from nearly all of the company's dozens of manufacturing sites, helped to blunt the counterattacks of the Luftwaffe and to transform many a buzz-bomb into a harmless puff of smoke. The results of these miracles of peacetime technology—armed for war—are, in battle-front action on land and sea and in the air, helping our fighting men speed the day of peace.

## For Liberty and Peace on Earth



WAR BONDS



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## Christmas Delayed

by LEALON MARTIN, JR.

"ASSUREDLY, Mamma," said Jules Greillon, "this tree, she's mos' pretty."  
He surveyed with pride the glittering spruce, with shiny toys piled beneath.  
"Yes, Papa," Marie agreed. "It was nice that Mr. Bonsour keep the tree good for you this long. Perhaps Mary Ann, she will now believe."  
Again the old sadness came to Jules Greillon. Poor Marie! It was not well that a Cajun couple should be childless, yet God had so willed it—and their habit of calling each other Mamma and Papa, begun years ago in hope, had long since been dropped.

Jules' eyes dimmed as he remembered how the child had come to them, early in December, just before they were ready to leave for the usual three months of muskrat trapping.

Mary Ann was five, chubby, yellow haired, daughter of his cousin from the hill country north. She was an alien to this lower coast land of marsh and water. But there



"Oh!"

had been no closer kin, no one else to take her after the highway crash in which both parents had been killed.

Greillon came back to the present. "Now, Papa, all is ready," Marie was saying. "It is but to wait quietly until she awakens."

In her bed, snuggled in the blankets against the chill of the February dawn, Mary Ann could dimly hear the voices in the next room.

In the other room the oak in the fireplace crackled merrily. Warmth and cheer filled the place.

But the two sitting there, waiting quietly but anxiously, scarcely realized this—or that the bells and holly, the red and green paper, and the glimmering tree made the room a different world, a child's fairland.

Would this make the little one feel better, Jules wondered? It had been a mistake, taking her down to the marshes with them. Yet once there, they could hardly leave until the season was done. It was the furs that brought their living, made them, not wealthy, but well-off, able to take care of a child.

They had tried to explain to her that trapper folk postponed the holiday until they returned to the little communities clustered here and there on solid land north of the rat country.

"And Santa Claus won't even come?" Mary Ann had asked, wide-eyed.

More than anything, Jules remembered and regretted that moment in their little marsh hut. He had looked helplessly at Marie.

"But no, my sweet," Marie had tried to explain. "He will come later, back in Timbalier."

But the child had burst into tears. Greillon was sure that it was this that had become the barrier between Mary Ann and them. Somehow they could not break through it.

"She does not have the faith in us, Mamma," he had said to Marie.

"Perhaps later she will," Marie had said hopefully.

Mary Ann stirred and rubbed her eyes. It must be getting up time. Funny that Mrs. Greillon hadn't called her. She always did. Mary Ann wriggled out of bed, padded to the door, opened it.

"Oh!" cried Mary Ann, catching her breath. Then, in sheer ecstasy, "Oh!"

It couldn't be true, yet there it was! A really, truly Christmas tree, all bright and beautiful. A big red stocking hanging by the fireplace. And toys piled up under the green branches, and the most beautiful doll!

The room was all cozy. Mary Ann's eyes sparkled. Santa Claus had come after all as Mr. and Mrs. Greillon had said, as she hadn't believed. There they were smiling at her.

"Oh, Mamma, Papa," she cried, running in, "Santa Claus really did come after all, just as you said he would, didn't he?"

Mamma and Papa Greillon looked at each other smiling gently, eyes gleaming.

"Yes, my sweet," Mamma said, tenderly.

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## WAR QUIZ CORNER

WHO IS HE?  
(40 points)



1. High ranking Nazi, he flew from Germany to England on mysterious mission and was interned. His name?
2. Who said: "Whoever lights the torch of war in Europe can wish for nothing but chaos"?
3. What was Churchill's first war job?
4. Italy's Fiat G50 gained fame as (a) a tank, (b) plane, (c) torpedo boat.

### ANSWERS

Count: Question one, 40; rest, 20 each. Score: 100, perfect; 80, good; 60, fair.  
1. Rudolf Hess, deputy fuhrer.  
2. Hitler, May 21, 1935.  
3. First lord of admiralty.  
4. Plane, a fighter.

### Onion Storage

For satisfactory home storage of onions over a period of several months: 1. Select good, fully dried onions. 2. Keep in a cold dry place, but do not let them freeze. 3. Provide for circulation of air by spreading. Never pack closely in a closed container. Pantry or attic is usually superior to cellar, because cellars are often damp.



## Christmas Cheer to All!

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- 24—Recruits offered \$16 and 160 acres land to join army, 1811.
- 25—Christmas Day.
- 26—Washington crosses Delaware; defeats Hessians, 1776.
- 27—U. S. orders rationing of processed foods, 1942.
- 28—Gen. Jackson defeats British at New Orleans, 1814.
- 29—Thirteen vessels in navy, 1778.
- 30—Charter Dartmouth university, 1769.
- 31—China recalls military mission to U. S., 1942.



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GOOD CHEER! There's nothing quite like it. And good cheer is an affair of the heart. It cannot be withheld and hoarded to gain added value with the days or years. Good cheer must be spent!

Let us all radiate good cheer this Christmas of 1944, for there are reasons enough for good cheer if we but pause to reflect.

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when beaming faces tell that Christmas is very, very near, we are reminded again of the supreme value of friendship. He who has no friends, though he may have amassed a fortune, cannot be happy.

We have many friends in this area—friends from many years back as well as friends who have become friends during this past year. These friendships are a great source of pride and happiness to us.

To all these friends we wish a very Merry Christmas Season.

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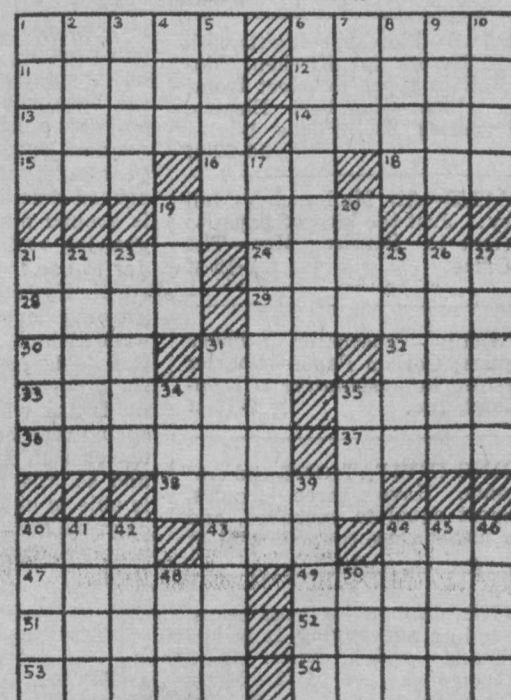
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## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

By HAROLD L. LUNDQUIST, D. D.  
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### Lesson for December 24

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#### THE GROUND OF UNIVERSAL JOY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:8-12; Hebrews 1:1-4; I John 1:1-4.  
GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all the people.—Luke 2:10.

What would you like for Christmas? Could anything be better than to find for your heart and mind that spiritual safety, certainty, and joy which transforms life? Well, that is exactly what Jesus came to bring mankind. It was the first Christmas gift, and it is the best gift this year too.

**I. Safety (Luke 2:8-12).**  
Men need deliverance from their sin. They needed it when Christ came. They need it today. They must have a safe refuge, one in which they may rest secure.

All the efforts of this world to meet man's need are vain. As Joseph Parker put it: "The world did not want an adviser. The world had advised itself almost into hell. The world did not ask for a speculator. Everything that man could do had been done, and men sat in the darkness of their own wisdom. The world did not want a reformer, a man who could change his outward and transient relations, an engineer that would continually devote his time to the readjustment of the wheels and the pulleys and the various mechanical forces of society. The world wanted a saviour." Jesus came as Saviour. The good tidings revealed to the faithful shepherds were to be "of great joy to all people" because they presented the One who could bring them redemption from sin.

That revelation is ready to be made again this Christmas, and as it came to the shepherds at their work in the field, so it may come to you on the battlefield, in camp, in the air, under the sea, in the kitchen, the factory—yes, anywhere. We rightly go to our churches to worship on Christmas Day, but let us remember that Christ is everywhere, seeking each one—yes, knocking at your door. Will you let Him in? Then you will have Christmas indeed!

**II. Certainty (Heb. 1:1-4).**  
God has spoken through the centuries in the messages of many faithful servants. We do well to give heed to God's Word through them. But after all they were only servants. This message of redemption is so vital and fundamental that God sent His Son, Himself the Redeemer, to declare it.

How final, and definite, and blessed is that truth. The heir of all the eternal glories of God the Father, and Himself the effulgence (or the flashing forth) of the glory of God, has spoken God's last word—His certain word—about redemption from sin.

We all know how full of uncertainty the world is, how our own minds are distressed by the very uncertainty of countless things about us. What a precious gift from God to realize anew the absolute certainty we have in Christ. He came to save, to satisfy, and to keep us.

Note that He has all the needed authority and power to carry out His loving purpose (vv. 3, 4). He who "made purification of sins" for us to believe, is divine. He has all power. He is glorious beyond our ability to describe. He is God. We can rest in perfect assurance in His redemption.

**III. Enjoyment (I John 1:1-4).**  
God knew the need of man for real joy if life was to be pleasant and profitable. Being a Christian was never intended to be a somber, doleful business. No, indeed. "These things we write," says John, "that our joy may be made full."

What did he write? By inspiration of the Holy Spirit he wrote of Christ, "the Word of life." He had seen and known Him, the Redeemer. He had fine and uplifting fellowship with Him, and declares that we too (as believers) share in that fellowship.

One of the bright and glad things about the Christmas season is our fellowship with our family and friends. It brightens the whole holiday season. How much more delightful is the fact that we have "fellowship with the Father and with His Son, Jesus Christ."

That fact really "makes" Christmas! Many will be separated from family and friends this year, but Christ is there, and they may have this most precious of all friends with them. The empty place around the family table will be filled (if we wish) by the Lord Himself. Let's keep Christmas with Him as the unseen but nonetheless real Guest. In fact, let us do even more than that, let us count Him into the intimate fellowship of our family circle (and two can make such a circle). That is what He wants to be—to you and to me—this Christmas Day, 1944.

May his joy be yours in full measure. That is the wish of the writer of these lines, and it goes from his heart to the very last reader who may be in the uttermost part of the earth. A blessed Christmas to you!

## Offers Evidence That Sharks Attack Men

Scientific evidence that a shark will attack a human was presented in the Journal of the American Medical Association by Capt. B. H. Kean of the army medical corps. Injuries often attributed to sharks have been shown on closer investigation to have been inflicted by fish such as the barracuda, Captain Kean said. The present case is reported because scientific identification of a shark which attacked a human being is rare.

"The attack occurred in a shallow cove about 75 feet off the north shore of Rey island, Gulf of Panama, Pacific ocean, where a navy boat had anchored. No refuse had been dumped into the cove; no sharks were seen.

"A sailor, aged 20, wearing swimming trunks, dove into the water to determine if the ship's propeller had been fouled or damaged. As he came up he was attacked by a 'man-eater' shark 6 or 7 feet long, which was seen at close range by the captain and by several members of the crew. It was impossible to shoot the fish without subjecting the sailor to danger, for both were thrashing about, the shark making repeated attacks. The injured man was lifted on deck within one minute of the initial attack. He was bleeding profusely from wounds of the left leg. . . .

The sailor died in shock four hours after admission to the hospital and seven hours after the injuries were received. Fragments of several teeth were found in the wounds. The tips of two teeth were shown to Mr. John T. Nichols, curator of recent fishes, of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, who identified them as "tips" of the teeth of a small so-called man-eater shark.

## History of Warsaw Checked by Warfare

The precise date of the foundation of Warsaw, Poland, is not known; but it is supposed that Conrad, Duke of Mazovia, erected a castle on the present site of Warsaw as early as the ninth century. Casimir the Just is supposed to have fortified it in the 11th century, but Warsaw was not mentioned in the annals before 1224.

From the 16th century on, the history of Warsaw is a series of intrigues and wars, first between Poland and Sweden and then between Poland and Russia. The Russian conflict reached a high point in a bloody insurrection in 1833 during which the Russians (then in possession of the city, used extremely harsh measures to put down demonstrations for independence.

In 1915, Warsaw fell to the Germans and in 1918, the Poles made themselves masters of the city again. Then, in 1939, Warsaw again surrendered to the German troops after a siege of 20 days and a series of bloody battles. Much of the city was reduced to ruins by air raids.

### Nurses Corps

Approximately 40,000 army nurses have become officers of the army of the United States, acquiring full military status for the first time since the Army Nurse corps was founded in 1901 by an act of congress.

By the terms of an executive order signed by President Roosevelt, the entire personnel of the Army Nurse corps has been moved bodily into the army, with the same pay and prerogatives as other officers. The net effect of the new law was to remove the last of a series of legislative limitations which until now have made the Army Nurse corps an auxiliary body rather than a full-fledged army component with the same standing as other branches.

Army nurses now have the same status as members of the WAC, who were also an army auxiliary when first organized. Commissions in their present grades will be issued to all members of the Army Nurse corps under the provisions of the new executive order unless they expressly decline appointment.

### Farm Research Pioneer

Lavoisier, the great French scientist born 200 years ago, established what was in effect the first agricultural experiment station, where he demonstrated how the yield of crops could be doubled and the stock improved. "The Father of Modern Chemistry" spent some 600,000 livres for an estate near Blois, and 120,000 more for development of scientific agriculture. Lavoisier drained the poorest land, and through crop rotation, intensive agriculture, and careful fertilization doubled the yield of wheat. He tried new crops, weighed sowings and yields; measured fertilizers; imported rams from Spain to improve the quality of both sheep and wool; selected better cows for breeding to increase the quantity of milk.

### Battleship Curiosities

A 35,000-ton battleship uses five times as much fuel oil as one of our new destroyers—68 per cent more than a heavy cruiser, if operated at high speed. The oil is stored in tanks built between the outer shell and the inner bottom of the hull. They refuel at sea—but by what process cannot be revealed for reasons of security.

Eight different lubricants are carried aboard a modern battleship—one-half the number of lubricants required before our entry in the war.

## The Christmas Tree Scandal

By MARION HAYES

I GIVE you my word, I was never more flabbergasted in my life than the afternoon I found Jennie Muldrow looking through Bill's closet. Bill is my husband. I must have made a sound—gasp, maybe—for she turned around with a jerk. If I ever saw guilt on a human countenance it was on hers. Then suddenly I had an inspiration. I laughed weekly. "You gave me a start, Jennie," I said. "I didn't know anyone was in here. Were you looking for your coat?"

"Yes. I—I was," she stammered. Perhaps it would be better if I began at the beginning. You see, the bridge club was meeting at my house. Just the usual crowd, two tables. Jennie Muldrow, only a few minutes earlier, had invited us all to a dinner party at her home the week before Christmas.

That night Mildred Carr phoned me. "Mary," she said, "did you see a pair of brown pigskin gloves anywhere? I thought they were in my purse but I can't find them."

The next day I told Mildred I couldn't find the gloves. "Just as I thought," she answered.

"What did you say?"

"Mary, I hate to say this, but I'm terribly afraid we have a thief in our midst."

Immediately I recalled Jennie Muldrow in Bill's closet, but I didn't mention it. "Why, Mildred!" I exclaimed. "What makes you say that?"

"Well, Betty Hicks lost a compact yesterday. I don't mean she drop-



If I ever saw guilt on a human countenance it was on hers.

ped it somewhere. She had it at your house. But when she got home it was gone."

"And that isn't all. Kitty put a lovely Appenzell handkerchief in her bag when she left home, but this morning it wasn't there."

I started to speak but Mildred said quickly, "Now don't say she was just mistaken, Mary Ellsworth, because that isn't all. Guess what Martha Fox told me!" This was just rhetorical, so I didn't answer. Evidently Mildred had had a busy morning. "Jennie was visiting Martha last night and, when Martha was called to the phone and her back was turned, Jennie pocketed a tie of Raymond's! Martha was facing a mirror but Jennie didn't notice."

"What do you think? Could Jennie be a kleptomaniac?"

"I don't know," I answered. I said nothing about seeing Jennie in Bill's closet. I never did tell anyone but Bill. He was inclined to pooh-pooh the whole business.

The burning question was: Should we go to the Christmas party or not? There was a difference of opinion about what to do. Martha wanted each one to make up a watertight excuse and stay at home. Mildred Carr said ruthlessly, "No, that won't solve anything. Jennie must resign from the club. We can't have a criminal in it. She must understand she isn't wanted." The more determined Mildred became, the less I wanted to humiliate Jennie. So finally I said, "Girls, you can all do what you like, but I'm going." The upshot was that all of us appeared except Mildred and her husband.

Jennie gave us the surprise of our lives. She had a small, beautifully trimmed tree, with attractive looking packages nestling in the branches. We simply gasped. "Jennie! You shouldn't have done this!" She laughed. "Really, it wasn't much trouble. In fact, I had a lot of fun."

After dinner the presents were distributed. One by one the missing articles came to light. Kitty's face, as she lifted her Appenzell handkerchief out of a dainty velvet case, was the funniest thing I've ever seen! Raymond Fox unwrapped a tie holder from which a tie was hanging, and Bill did the same. Everybody was laughing uproariously by this time, yet looking decidedly sheepish, too. I was gazing in fascination at my present—pictures of my children.

Just to make it unanimous, she said, there was a gift for John Muldrow. "I've been looking high and low for that thing," I heard him say.

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## Rich and Poor Mingled During English Yule

During the 1400s and 1500s before the Puritans got the upper hand, the golden age of English hospitality reigned. At Christmas time castles and manor houses were filled with guests by the score and the hundreds.

Kinsmen and neighbors were there and on certain days the tradesmen and tenants, for all were equal at this season. The 'ostler could dance with the mistress if he had the nerve to ask her. And he usually had—after the wassail.

The great halls were a din of geniality. There was light—almost enough to pierce the wood smoke. And there were the savory aromas: Roasting beef, roasting mutton, fowl and brawn (the flesh of the wild pig, which had been caught and fed good grain to the point of arousing his suspicions; too late, of course).

The dark ale flowed and added its voice—by proxy—to heighten the noise. At the peak of all this there was brought in the Yule log—a relic, incidentally, of the Scandinavians' pagan worship of Thor. With a brand from last year's log the new one was fired.

The light from these roaring flames would shine out through portals opened to the knocks of caroling and wassailing bands who, more often than not, were brought into the hall to eat of nutmeg cakes and brawn and mustard.

### Christmas Elf Concerned

**With Well-Being of Cattle**  
Jule-Nisse was not exactly a Danish version of Santa Claus. He was an elfish little old man who lived in the attic and was primarily concerned with the well-being of the cattle, keeping them quiet and contented, caring for them if the stablehands neglected their duties.

Nisse's name and association with Christmas probably stems from his legendary tenancy of houses where peace and contentment prevailed. 'Tis said he either avoided homes where contention ruled or played all sorts of gremlin-like tricks upon the occupants thereof.

Danish youngsters, mindful of Nisse's long memory and watchful eye, put themselves upon their good behavior as Christmas approaches.

### Legends of Holly

Holly was much admired by the Druids who believed that its evergreen leaves attested to its favor with the sun god.

Legends related that the crown of thorns was plaited from the holly. Before the crucifixion the berries were white but turned crimson like drops of blood.

Another is that holly is hateful to witches and is therefore placed on doors and windows to keep out evil spirits.

A more modern legend is that whoever brings the Christmas holly into the house first, either husband or wife, is the one who will rule the ensuing year.

### Same Old Santa

Same old Santa, same old joys. Same old dolls and sleds and toys; Same old holly, same old tree, Same old gifts for cherubs wee; Same old carol, same old light, Same old stockings hung at night; Same old words of merry cheer, Same good wishes for the year. Same old Christmas! Seems to me That's the way it ought to be.

### Christmas Tax

Greeks in the southwestern part of their peninsula dive into the waters of the harbor to recover a wooden cross thrown in by the archbishop. The villager who recovers the crucifix has the right to levy a small Christmas tax upon each home in the village.



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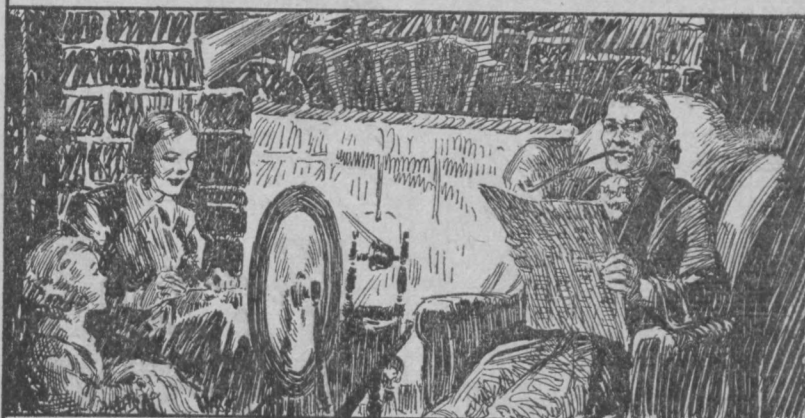
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## OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

### THE HOME-TOWN PAPER

BESIDES THE BIBLE AND THE ALMANAC, THE COLONIAL NEWSPAPER WAS THE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND INSPIRATION.



NOW, WE ALSO HAVE RADIOS, MOVIES AND POPULAR BOOKS BUT IT IS STILL OUR LOCAL NEWSPAPER THAT IS ALL THESE THINGS TO US: "THE FRIEND OF THE FAMILY...THE MARKET PLACE...THE WORD OF THE WEEK, THE HISTORY OF THE YEAR, THE RECORD OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE ARCHIVES OF STATE AND NATION." —PAUL BRISTOW ADAMS—CORNELL UNIVERSITY.



—AND TO THOSE OF US WHO ARE FAR FROM OUR NATIVE TOWNS, THE COPY OF OUR HOME PAPER IS A WARM REMINDER OF OLD FRIENDSHIPS AND HAPPY DAYS.

## War Bonds Will Finish Them

By Ferd Johnson  
Chicago Tribune—New York News Syndicate, Inc.





## Doughboy Tune Makes Hit on Italian Front

A new infantry song, composed by doughboys of the Third Infantry division, which has one of the longest records of combat service of any of our army's ground units, is one of the most popular numbers on the Italian front, an officer just back from four campaigns in the North African theater of operations revealed. The song, "The Dogface Soldier," is played by the Third division band at ceremonies, parades, dances, and all other public gatherings.

"They play it hot, and they play it sweet," the officer said. "The whole Italian countryside knows it."

The lyrics of the latest GI tune are:

I wouldn't give a bean to be a fancy pants marine;  
I'd rather be a dogface soldier like I am,  
I wouldn't trade my old O. D.'s for all the navy's dungarees.  
For I'm the walking pride of Uncle Sam.

On all the posters that you read, they say the army builds men,  
So they're tearing me down to build me over again.

I'm just a dogface soldier with a rifle on my shoulder,  
And I eat a Kraut for breakfast every day.  
So feed me ammunition, keep me in the Third division;  
Your dogface soldier boy's O. K.

## Moldy Corn

Farmers should not feed moldy corn to horses or sheep, but it does not injure cattle, and hogs can be allowed to eat all of it they want, advises Prof. F. B. Morrison of the New York State college of agriculture.

## Nutritive Value

Slightly more of the nutritive value of frozen vegetables is saved if they are not thawed before they are cooked. They should be dropped while still frozen into boiling water and cooked for a short time.

## Easy Picnicking

To keep a picnic tablecloth from blowing away, make a pocket in each corner of the cloth large enough to hold a walnut-sized stone. Each will help weight the cloth down.

## Bonds Over America



## SPANISH TREASURY

Florida demonstrates the old maxim that good things are made slowly. Long before the Pilgrims landed in the North, Spanish and English explorers were battling to plant their colonies on the East Coast. Sebastian and John Cabot sailed along there in 1497 and in 1513 Ponce De Leon christened Florida. By 1672, St. Augustine had a population of 2,000. In 1586 Sir Francis Drake destroyed the town and looted its treasury. Spain rebuilt it the next year, much more substantially. Reconstruction must be done all over the world when the guns are silent. Buy more War Bonds to speed the day when the world can begin to rebuild.

U. S. Treasury Department



WHAT stancher tree than the oak, and what stancher friends than ours? Each year at Christmastime we realize more keenly than ever that our success in this community is deeply rooted in the firm soil of friendship. We cannot tell you in so many words how much these friendly associations mean to us, and how we cherish them. But we know you will understand.

In this spirit of appreciation we send our sincere good Christmas wishes to you and to all those dear to you.

**The Reindollar Company**

**Indian Linguists**  
Most Indians in the southwest speak three languages: Their tribal tongue, English and Spanish.

## Elm Trees

American elm trees are valued at more than \$750,000,000, according to forestry experts.

## Eases Polishing

A cloth dipped in vinegar and water should be rubbed over furniture before polishing. No finger marks will show and it will polish easier.

## NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

VIRGINIA V. DUTTERA

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 subscriber on or before the 20th day of July, next; they may otherwise be excluded from all benefits of said estate.

Given under my hand this 19th day of December, 1944.

GEORGE E. DODDERER  
Executor of the estate of Virginia V. Duttera, deceased.

## ELECTION

A meeting of the members of the TANEYTOWN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY of CARROLL COUNTY for the Election of eight Directors for the said Company, shall be held at the office of the said Company in Taneytown, Md., January 2nd, 1945, between the hours of 1.00 P. M. and 3.00 P. M.

GEORGE E. DODDERER,  
Secretary.

## TANEYTOWN GRAIN MARKET

Wheat .....\$1.63@1.63  
Corn, new .....\$1.25@1.25

## FOR SALE

My House on York Street, formerly the (Bachman) Property.

MRS. J. F. REIFSNIDER,  
7700 Belair Road,  
Baltimore 6, Md.  
12-15-2t

AT FIRST  
SIGN OF A  
**COLD**  
USE 666  
Cold Preparations as directed



Christmas trees are again gleaming in the windows!  
Just about time for us to be thinking of how much we are indebted to you.

And just about time for us to call upon two little words that carry more cheer and good will than all the big words that have ever been coined—

**Merry Christmas**  
Cutsall's Esso Station

## Miller's Smart Shop

To my friends and customers I wish to thank you for your patronage the past year which has helped me so much during these trying times. I hope to, merit your Good-will and more than ever shall strive to serve you faithfully with the 1-day

## SUGGESTIONS 'TIL CHRISTMAS

A few Ladies' non-rational Patent Leather Dress Pumps, Rayon Gowns, Slips and Panties, Mittens, Sweaters, Bedroom Slippers, Sport Jackets, Rain Coats, Dresses, House Coats, Head Ornaments, Scarfs, Umbrellas, boxed and loose Handkerchiefs.

## USEFUL GIFTS

Tea Towels, Table Cloths, Guest Towels, Pillow Case Sets and Blankets.

## SEE OUR LINE

of Ladies Pocket Books and Wallets; also Men's.

## BABY LINE

consists of Blankets, Caps, Robes, Mittens, Dresses, Sweater Sets, Pillows. Snow Suits \$9.95 and \$10.50.

## FOR POP AND THE BOYS

Smoothie Ties keep them looking their best. Raincoats, Leather Jackets, Mackinaws, Shirts, Scarfs, Hats and Bedroom Slippers for last-minute shopping.

Yours for a Merry Christmas

**John T. Miller**  
(ON THE SQUARE)  
TANEYTOWN, MD.



To our friends and customers,  
wherever they may be, we send our  
warmest Christmas greetings

## THE TANEYTOWN SAVINGS BANK

(Member of The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation)

Our Best  
**Christmas**  
Wishes to You



High above the broken cities and war-torn fields, rides the changeless Christmas Star, the eternal symbol of Christian faith and hope. Men and nations must at last yield to its regenerative force and turn back to ways of peace and brotherhood.

We hope you have a pleasant Christmas and that next year our boys from all over the world will be home to enjoy Christmas with us.

**THE BIRNIE TRUST COMPANY**  
TANEYTOWN, MARYLAND.

(Member of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation)

We wish all our friends

A

**Merry Christmas**

**MENCHEY MUSIC STORE**

HANOVER, PA.

**J. ROBERT MENCHEY**

## Greeting

The Taneytown Clothing Company extends to all its employees and to all the people of Taneytown and the community its best wishes for a

**Merry Christmas**  
and  
**A Happy New Year**

## Rainbow Roller Rink

Big Pipe Creek Park—TANEYTOWN  
**CHRISTMAS NIGHT**  
MONDAY, DEC. 25, 9 P. M.

—PRESENTING THE—  
**"Royal Roller Review"**

A Colorful Extraganza on Roller Skates  
—CONSISTING OF—

MILITARY MARCHES  
NATIONAL DANCE STEPS  
DARE DEVIL SPINS

Bobby Ford—Waltzed & Two Steps on stilts on Skates  
Pete Crum—The Comedian & Juggler  
ACROBATIC LIFTS

**"The Trip Through The Cups"**

Skating Before and After the Show  
ADMISSION—50 Inc. Tax—Skating Starts 8 P. M.

## Taneytown Theatre

"Always A Good Show"  
Taneytown, Md.

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22nd and 23rd, 1944  
**TYRONE POWERS** **ALICE FAYE**

**"In Old Chicago"**

MONDAY and TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25th and 26th 1944  
**DOROTHY LAMOUR** **EDDIE BRACKEN**

**"Rainbow Island"**

(Technicolor)

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27th and 28th  
**RED SKELTON** **ESTHER WILLIAMS**

**"Bathing Beauty"**

(Technicolor)

COMING:

"Seven Days Ashore"



## Election Notice

OF

St. Mary's Cemetery Association of Carroll County, Incorporated  
The lot holders of St. Mary's Cemetery Association of Carroll County, Inc., are hereby notified that the regular Annual Meeting for the election of two Directors, to serve for four years on the board, will be held on Monday, January 1, 1945, at 2 o'clock, P. M., in the Lutheran Parish House, Silver Run, Md.

**SAMUEL P. HAWK**, Secretary-Treasurer