

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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### Most Anything At A Glance

BY ABIGAIL

Well folks, the Big Day is just about here—in fact tonight. As much as we all like the occasion, we all are happy when the season terminates. With the hustle and bustle of shopping and entertaining our friends and relatives and the little wife slaving over the stove, and dishpan, it is no small wonder that le femme is doggone glad when it is all over. However, it is the happiest season of the year by far and as it is the usual custom this column extends its annual wish to you all for A Merry Christmas.

You know the life of a columnist isn't what its reputed to be. Sure I get a kick (and a check) out of writing for you, my friends and readers. It is a long grind week in and week out. I am very happy if I can bring you a little pleasure and relaxation in reading the stuff. I receive a few compliments now and then, but these are offset by supercilious characters and others on the more drastic side, by far the number of unlady-like verbal brickbats hurled in my direction. Most everyone expects to read a rip-smorting, spicy column, dressing some unfortunate individual down, but when I do write such a column I am really the unfortunate victim. However, if you are inclined to be thin-skinned, take my advice and stay out of the journalistic profession. It certainly is not what it is purported to be. But no kidding, folks, I do receive a certain amount of gratification in manufacturing this friendly weekly message to you, and I appreciate the way you bear it with me. I feel I have accomplished a few things for the welfare of the community—and I might state that this is the primary purpose of this column of type, for the good of Emmitsburg, so when it appears that I am on the wrong track in attacking certain individuals, I have an ulterior motive behind it all—the welfare of Emmitsburg. Enough of the sob material, I don't want to spoil your holiday with this babbling from a sentimental columnist.

I was very happy to hear that several of the local pastors took the occasion to remind the faithful of the real unadulterated truth and meaning of Christmas last week. Several chose the theme of putting the Christ back in Christmas, the Child in the Crib and Rudolph consigned to his proper domain—the North Pole. We have, most all of us, had a tendency in the past few decades, to lose track of the origin of the glorious holiday. However, a few sermons like last Sunday will restore us to our senses. Let's have more of them!

Emmitsburgians soon will have the opportunity to hear their own home-talent in a formal concert. In fact, Dec. 28 has been set as the date. The beginners' class of the band, which is just observing its first anniversary, is scheduled to do a few numbers at the affair. You will be surprised to see what progress has been accomplished in such a short time by the students under the instructing of the capable and generous Mr. Simpson, who has given of his services graciously. The second portion of the band concert will be supplied by the Municipal Band, which really is in its infancy too. I know you will be proud to hear our own home-town band and I do hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to help bolster the band's morale by attending the affair Sunday night. You know nothing boosts the confidence of an organization more than a good attendance. Won't you take time out to hear them this Sunday evening? I'm certain you'll enjoy it.

### SON BORN

A son was born Sunday at the Warner Hospital, Gettysburg to Mr. and Mrs. Byron Jordan of Rocky Ridge.

### Tavern Owner Loses License; Appeals Decision

County License Commissioner Gail L. Cutshall last Thursday revoked the beer license of Charles T. Bankert, Emmitsburg tavern owner, following conclusion of a hearing begun on Oct. 14.

Edwin F. Nikirk, attorney for the establishment, noted an immediate appeal. The revocation was to go into effect on Monday.

The commissioner, who stated he would have a written opinion later, said the evidence was sufficient to prove that Bankert should not operate a tavern. The hearing was on charges that Bankert's Tavern, popularly known as Rube's Place, constituted a danger to the peace and safety of the community and that the proprietor had made numerous sales to minors.

Testifying last Thursday morning were witnesses in Bankert's defense and three police officers summoned by the commissioner. When the hearing convened two months ago, two minors, one 16, and the other 18, testified they purchased beer at the tavern several times.

Trooper 1/c Kenneth D. Bond, assigned by the State Police to the Emmitsburg area, said he has been called to the tavern about six times since Bankert has been operating the establishment in the past two and one-half years. Three of the calls, he said, involved fights and in one fight was a 17-year-old youth who was later found guilty of intoxication.

The trooper also stated he has been in the tavern on several occasions and has seen minors at the tables but was unable to determine if they purchased any alcoholic beverages. On Sundays, the officer stated, a difference in the liquor laws of Pennsylvania and neighboring counties brings a large crowd of outsiders into the community, which on occasion has become serious.

Trooper H. J. Brown, stationed at Thurmont, said he had received complaints of disturbances and traffic conditions created by cars backing into Route 15 from the tavern parking lot.

Also testifying for the commissioner was Chief Robert L. Koontz, of the Emmitsburg police, who said he observed cards on tables and juveniles about the premises. He said he had received calls about disturbances outside the tavern. Objections on the admissibility of complaints were registered by the defense attorney.

Bankert denied selling intoxicating beverages to minors and said he always required some form of identification of persons of questionable age. He asserted he called the police on two occasions to settle arguments which had begun outside the tavern.

Sunday is a large day in his operations, the operator continued, and said that when he put up signs excluding minors who were not accompanied by their parents, his crowd was cut "about half."

Samuel Clingan, one of the employees in the tavern, admitted selling beer to one of the minors testifying at the opening session of the hearing in October, but asserted the minor produced a draft card showing the youth to be over 21 years of age. Another employee, William Francis Swope, said he knew of no violations in the law at the establishment.

Oliver Sanders, a used car lot operator, whose place of business is north of Emmitsburg directly across from Rube's Place, said he knew of no trouble or law violations at the establishment.

Also testifying was John William Eyer, of the Emmitsburg area, who said he stops at the tavern occasionally and has never seen any law violations.

Unable to testify because of illness was Daniel E. Teeter, district attorney for Adams County, Pa., who said at the first hearing that he has handled a number of juvenile cases "which reflect back to trouble at Rube's Place."

Testifying at the opening hearing were trial magistrates of the Emmitsburg area who cited cases from the dockets. Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., was attorney for the commissioner.

The last roll call of the Continental Congress was on Oct. 10, 1788.

### Odds And Ends

By ANNABELLE HARTMAN

As I turn from the travel reports of recent months to the more miscellaneous type of material originally in mind for "Odds and Ends," two topics keep pressing for attention in a Christmas-month column: Christmas Cards and United Nations. I suppose in the face of such an odd and disproportionate-seeming combination I should add that I have in mind now just one main point on each of these topics, which does seem to give them a small connection and to bring the second into the field of suitable Holiday reflections.

But before I go on to what is especially in my thoughts on these two subjects let me put in a few facts about the history of Christmas cards for those interested in backgrounds (and perhaps a few parentheses to relieve the monotony for the printer). The story proper is a brief one, beginning no farther back than just before the middle of the last century, but as in the case of other features in our observance of the Holiday the Christmas card, too, is given a procession of forerunners by the social historian. The oldest I have noted is the inscribed New Year tokens used by the ancient Egyptians, some of them found in the tombs of Pharaohs; among others mentioned are printed New Year cards from the early days of European printing and engraving, and 18th century illustrated visiting cards and Christmas letter-heads.

There is an odd discrepancy of several years in the dates given by different supposed authorities for the production of the first real Christmas card, but the earliest, 1843, is apparently correct; in any case, the time in general and the place are of more interest; mid-Victorian England.

As to the person who first had the idea for such a card and the person who designed it, there is general agreement that they were, respectively, a Mr. (later, Sir) Henry Cole, an outstanding London citizen, director of the Victoria and Albert Museum, and his friend, Mr. J. C. Horsley, artist and member of the Royal Academy. It is said that about 1000 cards were printed from the original design and hand-colored; just how many for Mr. Cole himself, who sent them instead of Christmas letters, is not recorded. (I have seen a tiny black and white reproduction of this card. It has a center-section showing an obviously well-to-do family of three generations enjoying their Christmas dinner, and two smaller side-sections illustrating Christmas charity, in the form of a hand-out of a bit of food and clothing to a couple of forlorn-looking figures, all of this surmounted by a garland and a conventional greeting.)

There was an interval of almost 20 years before this small but significant invention became popular in England; but around 1860, and undoubtedly connected with cheaper postage and cheaper methods of color reproduction, large-scale production began, and soon "the Christmas card habit" spread to other countries of Europe and other continents. Its development elsewhere than in the U. S. is a more detailed part of the history than I am qualified or concerned to report; and as for the growth of the habit along with the industry here (this latter, the commercial aspect, I am also disregarding), we all know how firmly fixed and widespread a part of our Christmas observance it has become. (Another parenthesis, as I pass on to a different type, to suggest an interesting activity for those readers who have never tried it, just thinking through the whole series of your own personal Christmas experiences centering around the giving and receiving of cards, beginning, perhaps, with the looking up of last year's card list and on down to what you finally do with the cards you yourselves have received; and then imagining Christmas with all of these experiences left out!)

I was interested recently to find in an article on Christmas cards in a London magazine the following quotation, which states in a large general way the special point I had in mind to make here in a small specific way by commenting on one particular

kind of card that has attracted my pleased attention in recent years; the writer, you will see, has given much more than a personal meaning to these little pieces of decorated paper: "The Christmas card cannot claim to be more than one of the trifles among human inventions . . . but it has assumed a significance far greater than its originators could foresee . . . It has become a mirror of popular taste and feeling . . . a sociological document." If this opinion is true, and I would suppose the industry and the custom have developed to large enough proportions to make it so, then something can be gathered by one who studies our American society about our American taste and feeling as expressed in the kinds of Christmas cards we produce and use. Well, I can make no conclusion from a large-scale study of this sort, which must be left to the sociologist, but I do venture to infer something from the small piece of evidence mentioned above that seems to me a heartening thing, however slight.

I am not concerned here with the reflection of our "taste," although the particular kind of card I have in mind seems to me to do us real credit in this respect (along of course with many other varieties) with its charming design and lovely coloring; it is the reflection of "feeling" I am interested in now. And that feeling, if I understand it correctly, is a deeper sense of the meaning of human brotherhood, that fine thing so easy to mention but so hard to realize the full meaning of. In the cards of this type I have seen the feeling is expressed in a double way, through picture and inscription, and the picture and inscription, sometimes along with a distinctly Christian application, always emphasize the likenesses that bind men together, the unrealities of the barriers of race and color, of class and creed that have so long divided them. One picture (the chief but not the only one used) represents, in varied treatments, a group of children of different lands and races and cultures gathered together as one family around the Christ Child. And here is one of the inscriptions, accompanying a different picture.

Let Peace encircle all the world  
Let men walk hand in hand;  
A living bond of brotherhood,  
A voice from land to land.

(I may venture to wonder in print, now that it is too late for me to be suspected of advertising, whether any readers have guessed that I have been commenting on one special group of "Brownie" cards; if there are other "makes" of this type, I would appreciate having the information.)

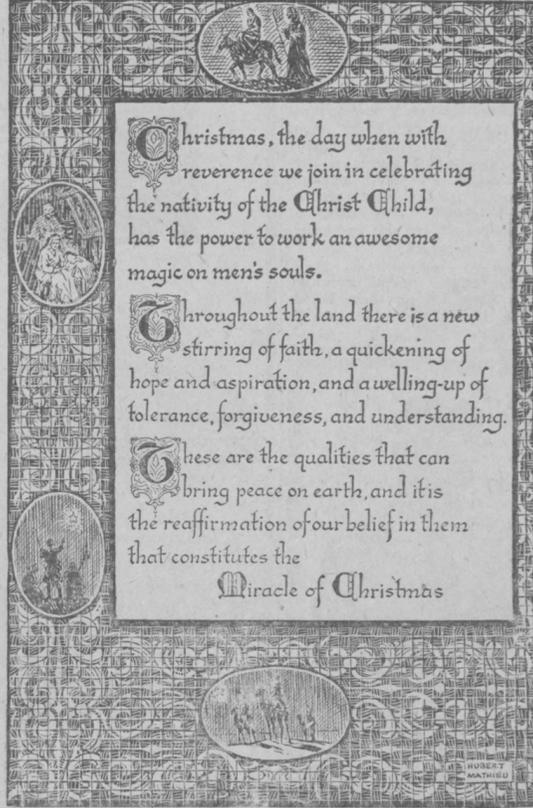
And thus, this little card, may I say once more in other words, that expresses not only our personal good will to a friend or acquaintance (for that is always there, too) but also our international good will, does seem to me one of the reflections it is cheering to find in the Christmas card "mirror."

And now, what is the aspect of United Nations — the great organization with the so-significant name—that I have in mind as connected with our Christmas season and even with this little card? It is the expression in United Nations at its best, beginning with the motives that inspired its origin, continuing with the most sincere and earnest efforts to carry out these purposes — the expression in United Nations wherever it has reached its highest level, of the true Christmas spirit. Just what everybody means by this "Spirit" I am not sure—perhaps it is not easy to define, but as I use it here I take it to mean, not a vague longing for peace that leads to no constructive action to make and sustain that peace, not a mere repetition of the words "good will toward men" but such a sincere desire that these two great essentials to human happiness may be realized on earth that it is constantly expressed in some kind of effort to bring this to pass. It is from this point of view, not overlooking the defects that have been pointed out in its Charter, the possible weaknesses in its organization, the partial failures in its accomplishment, that I find the Christmas spirit

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### OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

#### The Miracle of Christmas



Christmas, the day when with reverence we join in celebrating the nativity of the Christ Child, has the power to work an awesome magic on men's souls.

Throughout the land there is a new stirring of faith, a quickening of hope and aspiration, and a welling-up of tolerance, forgiveness, and understanding.

These are the qualities that can bring peace on earth, and it is the reaffirmation of our belief in them that constitutes the Miracle of Christmas

### Christmas Parade This Afternoon

The 24th annual Christmas Party, sponsored by the Emmitsburg Lions Club and merchants of the town, will take place today, beginning at 11 a. m. with a free movie at the Gem Theatre.

President of the Lions, J. Ward Kerrigan, announced the following committee in charge of the affair: Herbert W. Roger, general chairman, J. Ralph McDonnell, Clarence E. Hahn, Dr. D. L. Beegle, and C. A. Elder. A \$20 donation was made by a friend to help defray expenses of the occasion.

Following the movie the children will be served free lunch at the Fire Hall by the Homemakers Club and wives of the Lions. A free shopping period has been

set between 1:00 and 2:00 p. m. Christmas music will be amplified by J. Ralph McDonnell from the Square.

The big parade, led by the Municipal Band, is scheduled to take off from the West End at 2:00 o'clock, terminating at the Square for the distribution of candy and gifts to the children.

Church services are scheduled for this evening in most of the local churches.

### KOREA BOUND

T/Sgt. John T. Garner, son of Mrs. Agnes Garner, Emmitsburg, who is currently spending a furlough here, expects to leave Jan. 3 for overseas duty in Korea. Sgt. Garner, a member of the USAF, is assigned to the 1993rd AACS Squadron.

### Municipal Band To Give Concert Sunday In Local High School

The Municipal Band will give its first formal concert since its reorganization a year ago, this Sunday evening in the Emmitsburg High School.

President Samuel C. Hays said the program will be composed of two parts, the first of which

will be played by the Junior Band and the second by the Municipal Band. Activities will get under way at 8 p. m. Sunday night.

Conductor Walter A. Simpson has released an excellent program to be played for the concert.

### PROGRAM FOR BAND CONCERT

DECEMBER 28, 1952

WALTER A. SIMPSON, Director

#### PART I BY JUNIOR BAND

MEDLEY .....Jingle Bells, The Pine Tree and Choral  
CARNIVAL KING .....Overture  
SUNSET MEDITATIONS .....Tone Poem  
SHADOWLAND .....Waltz  
THE SALUTE .....March

#### INTERMISSION Remarks by the Conductor

#### PART II BY EMMITSBURG MUNICIPAL BAND

PAUL B. DERN, Soloist

MARCH #AY STATE.....Burrell  
THE RIPPLING RUBY OVERTURE .....Skaggs  
JUPITER, Cornet Solo .....Goldman  
Polka Petite  
OPERA GEMS, Selection .....Marku-Boyer  
MELODIES—Silent Night, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, It Came  
.....Upon the Midnight Clear and Joy to the World  
MARCH NATIONAL EMBLEM .....Bagley

### Youth Heavily Fined On Theft Charges

A Fairfield, Pa. youth pled guilty on three counts of thievery before Magistrate Charles D. Gillelan, Emmitsburg, Monday.

Lester C. Tyler, 17, the accused youth, was arrested by Chief of Police Robert L. Koontz on a charge of tampering with the automobile of Howard McGlaughlin, Emmitsburg, on Nov. 29. He admitted stealing gasoline from the vehicle and also to charges of theft of gasoline from a pump of James T. Hays, Emmitsburg, and a tire, tube and wheel from Sperry's Garage, also of this place, which later was returned. Tyler was scheduled to appear before the Frederick County Juvenile court and his failure to appear at a set hearing of that court resulted in the trial before the local magistrate. He stated that he was accompanied on the thievery depredations by two local juveniles who were tried last week and placed on probation.

Magistrate Gillelan fined Tyler \$25.75 on the McGlaughlin count, \$25.00 on the Sperry theft and \$25.00 on the Hays charge. In addition he was ordered to make restitution of \$20.00 for the gasoline stolen from Mr. Hays. Magistrate Gillelan soundly admonished the accused and stated that only because it was Christmas week that he was placing him on probation for a year in the custody of his mother, and not imposing a jail sentence. The judge further stipulated that he (Tyler) must accept a job in Washington which he stated he has obtained. Immediately following the sentence and paying of the fines, Tyler was taken into custody by Pennsylvania police who had warrants for his arrest on similar violations in that state.

In other trials heard by the local magistrate Monday, Henry Robenett of Virginia was given a suspended sentence of 10 days in the county jail and ordered to leave town within three hours after being arrested by State Trooper H. J. Brown and charged with being drunk along the highway.

Lois Hunter Broderick, Orinda, Calif., was arrested by Trooper Brown and charged with failing to give the right of way on the highway. She paid a fine of \$5.75 before the magistrate.

Paul Everett Shockey, Route 1, was arrested and charged by State Trooper Kenneth D. Bond, with operating a motor vehicle without a driver's license. He was fined \$11.45 by Magistrate Gillelan.

Sidney Brown of Guilph, Ontario, was arrested by Trooper Bond for exceeding the 25-mile-an-hour speed limit and accordingly was assessed an \$11.45 fine by the Emmitsburg magistrate.

### Frederick Fair Dates Announced

Dates for the 1953 Frederick Fair were set and officers were re-elected at the annual organization meeting of the Board of Managers of the Frederick County Agricultural Society, held last week in the board offices in the Mutual Insurance Co. Bldg., on N. Market St., Frederick.

The 1953 Fair will be held on Oct. 6-7-8-9-10, five days and five nights, as has become customary.

### Youths Admit Guilt To Firing Shelter

Two Maryland youths last Wednesday signed pleas of guilty before Justice of the Peace John H. Besehore, Gettysburg, Pa., to charges that they, with two Maryland juveniles, set fire to and burned a school bus stop shelter three miles southwest of Fairfield, Pa., on Oct. 30. The juveniles have been certified to juvenile court.

David Glass, 20, and Robert Anthony Erawner, 18, both of Emmitsburg, Rt. 2, pleaded guilty before Justice Besehore to charges of malicious mischief by burning, and posted \$500 bail each for the next term of Adams County Court.

There are two main groups of meteorites, one of stone and one of metal. Some meteorites are a combination of metal and stone.

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## Homemakers' Corner

Use a bit of lively imagination, combine it with a few simple items that you have around your house, plus a few evergreens, and you'll come up with the best-looking Christmas decorations you've ever had.

If you haven't made your decorations yet, here are a few tips for making economical, attractive ornaments. For a front door wreath you'll need about a half bushel of holly, laurel, or other evergreen, a coathanger, and some florist wire. Bend the coathanger into a circle. Attach the evergreen to the hanger with florist wire. As a finishing touch, dress the wreath up with pine cones, bells, or with a cane and a big red bow. Then the wreath is ready to be hung from the coathanger hook.

In just 15 minutes you can make a big Christmas candle. Use a discarded fruit juice can as

the base of your candle. Melt some paraffin, and paint the sides of the can with it. Next, fill the rim with paraffin and let some of it run down the sides. Set the candle in a bed of evergreens—or mount around it bright Christmas balls.

About the easiest and most effective way to keep evergreens fresh is to stick sharpened evergreen points into a potato. The potato's juice will keep your evergreens fresh for almost two months.

If you want to color leaves for Christmas arrangements easily, spray them with paint bombs. The end of last summer's white shoe polish makes a perfect frosting for leaves or bare branches. Or make a frosting from a thick paste of two parts of flour and one part salt and moisten with water.

When baking sweet potatoes, rub a little fat on them before baking, if you want the skin to be soft.

### Your Christmas Seal Dollar

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fought on four major fronts: health education, case finding, rehabilitation, and research. The Christmas Seal Sale is the only financial support for all the activities of these associations.

Let's put it this way. You buy knowledge. Knowledge, not fear, can defeat tuberculosis. Every American must know how he can fight TB, which kills more than 30,000 Americans every year. He must know that tuberculosis can be controlled, can be prevented, can be cured. The health education programs of the voluntary TB associations help spread this knowledge.

You buy case finding. The voluntary associations work with the official health agencies and the medical profession in promoting programs to search out unsuspected cases of tuberculosis, which is spreading at the rate of 115-

000 new cases a year. Chest X-rays for all adults 15 years of age and older are one of the best means for finding unknown tuberculosis early, when it is easiest to cure.

You also buy medical research. Projects sponsored by the NTA and its affiliates out of Christmas Seal funds help advance the search for more effective methods of treating and preventing tuberculosis.

You also buy rehabilitation—those services to patients and their families which help them solve the physical, emotional, social, economic, and employment problems TB causes.

Your TB association can tell you in greater detail about all of its activities, for the program of each association is carefully adapted to the specific needs of the community which it serves.



The greatest gift is given again on Christmas Day; may this new Yuletide bring joy and faith abundant!

J. W. WALTER  
—FORMSTONE—

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## Season's Greetings

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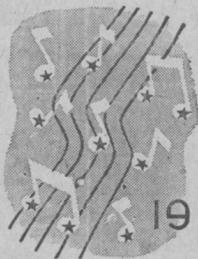
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# CHRISTMAS



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The good tidings of great joy are wonderfully repeated for us all again this year.



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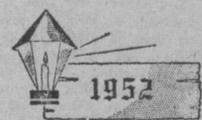
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Our hope for your peace and happiness goes out to every one of you.



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IRELAN'S PALM LUNCH

Emmitsburg,

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Maryland

### Christmas Tree Industry Growing

Some 34 million Christmas trees will be used in the U. S. this year—enough so that seven out of every eight homes can have the traditional Yuletide symbol.

District Forester William H. Johnson, emphasized this week



# Season's Greetings

MARK E. TRONE

—JEWELER—

BALTIMORE ST. HANOVER, PA.

that this tremendous demand shows the opportunity for revenue from an additional crop for the farmers of Western Maryland.

Farmers who have been plant-

ing evergreens for tree farming or as a soil conservation measure are deriving considerable revenue from the sale of trees removed in thinning operations.

For instance, in Garrett Coun-

ty, one farmer effortlessly obtained \$500 from a two-acre tract. A representative of the State Dept. of Forests and Parks came to his evergreen plantation and marked a number of trees that should be removed for sale so that the remaining trees would have more room for growth. The department then obtained a buyer who came to the man's land and removed 500 trees and gave the farmer \$500. Mr. Johnson said that all the farmer had to do was accept the money.

Farmers who plant evergreens on land not being used productively find they can thin trees every eight or 10 years and derive an income from the removed trees.

Christmas trees are being sold to wholesale dealers from state forests in Allegany and Garrett Counties, Mr. Johnson reported.

Approximately 2500 trees have been cut this season, with 500 of them from Green Ridge State Forest and the remainder from Garrett County.

Mr. Johnson explained these red and white pines come from plantations where thinning is needed for good future timber stands.

The trees are delivered to the roadside by State Dept. of Forests and Parks employees. The annual sale of these trees gives the department a profit.

Mr. Johnson said that instead of the old method of going out

into the forest, getting data and returning to the office to com-

pute the information, a new form eliminates computation.

The method should cut in half, the time to estimate the volume in a given stand of timber, Mr. Johnson said.

Scorpions can be as much as eight inches long.

### New Head of NAM



Charles R. Sligh, Jr., who began his career as a laborer and became a successful furniture manufacturer in Michigan after reviving a defunct company at the bottom of the depression, is the 1953 president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

A grandfather at 46, Mr. Sligh flies his own plane, is a past national water-skiing champion, and active in church and civic affairs.

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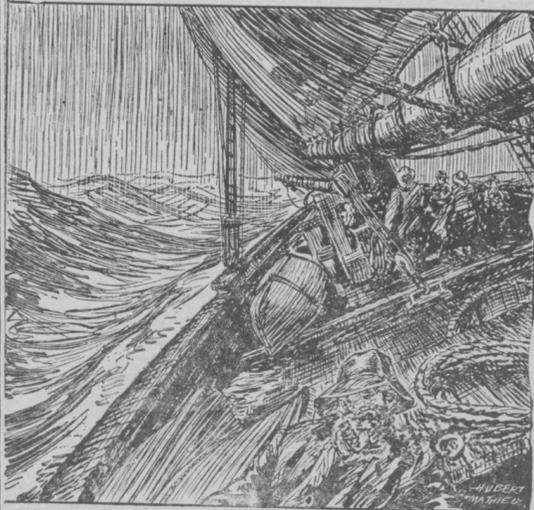
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### A warm word of Cheer



CHRISTMAS '52

We offer our best holiday greetings and pledge you a bright and merry Yuletide season.

MARGARET THOMPSON  
Thurmont, Maryland



### Season's Best Wishes

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### WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

The appointment of Hafold Stassen as Mutual Security Administrator by President-elect Eisenhower, causes speculation.

MSA, successor to the Marshall Plan, is the agency in charge of giving away billions of tax dollars, and probably represents the biggest single drain on U. S. tax money. It had been expected that this situation would be changed in view of the avowed plans to cut taxes.

However, now there is wonder.

It is not believed that Stassen would leave the U. of Penn. presidency without concrete assurances that the agency will continue, and possibly be expanded.

Neither is it believed an overwhelming partisan loyalty would cause him to accept.

In the 1948 GOP nominating convention, a strong, popular Stassen drive by liberal Republicans was stopped by Dewey forces. So observers believe, it took very strong commitments to persuade him to again enter the arena of public life.

The new Congress will debate continuance of the giveaway plans. Adherents will argue that in view of the fact that there has been no opportunity for small and independent business to expand and create new job opportunities, the cessation of the giveaway programs would leave a great gap in the U. S. economy leading to a depression. This argument will be pegged on the assertion that a great deal of the giveaway items are manufactured goods that supply employ-

ment to U. S. workers.

However, cold facts show this is an erroneous picture. More than a year ago the huge cartel industries of Europe protested the great flood of U. S. manufactured goods. With their own production 40 per cent ahead of prewar records, and their own system of holding down production to hold up prices, European business was alarmed.

The result has been that for the past year, more and more of the MSA grants are in the form of raw materials, of which a large share is bought from British possessions.

In the meantime, Britain is now exporting more automobiles to the U. S. than the American auto industry is exporting to all the world. A large share of farm machinery shipped overseas by MSA is bought from the Canadian affiliates of U. S. firms.

Here is another case in point. On a recent day MSA announced another \$33 million for France and the French possessions in North Africa. Less than a quarter million of this total was in manufactured goods that could be presumed to have furnished U. S. employment to any marked degree. The balance was in petroleum and raw cotton.

Although steel is still on allocation to U. S. users because of defense needs, huge tonnages of U. S. steel are shipped to Europe by MSA. And now comes the announcement that the U. S. Army has placed a multi-million dollar contract for 500 British tanks.

Some pertinent questions will be asked about MSA activity.

Is MSA really helping Europe? Is MSA helping all U. S. business? Or is MSA merely supporting worldwide cartels?



Little Dave Allen and his "Drifters" are on their way to Korea to give the fighting forces a shot of western music to help them forget their weariness and the grim tomorrows ahead. The trio is traveling with the 78th USO-Camp Show to be sent out since May, 1951. The group is shown at the show's preview at Camp Kilmer, N. J., just before their take-off. Left to right, they are Little Dave Allen, leader; Pfc. Aileen Au of Honolulu, stationed at Camp Kilmer; Ernie Pal, bass player, and Frank "Rusty" Neves, accordionist. USO-Camp Shows are financed through the United Defense Fund, a part of most Community Chest and other united community campaigns.



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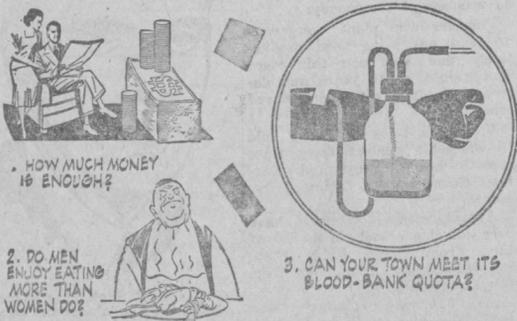
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Messrs. Warner and Bernard Boyle, of Baltimore, spent Saturday in Emmitsburg visiting their mother, Mrs. Harry S. Boyle who returned with them to Baltimore to spend Christmas.

FINDS 1791 COIN

Tupelo, Miss. — While digging for fishing worms, Thomas C. Barnes turned up a Dutch coin, minted in Utrecht in 1791.

Knowledge is Power



(1) This depends on the individual American's ability to resist defensive and escape buying; defensive buying—to keep up with the Joneses, escape buying—to give him a temporary sense of power. In her book, "The Folks at Home," Margaret Halsey puts her finger on the difficulty most people have with their finances.
(2) Men enjoy their food more than women do, writes John E. Gibson in This Week magazine. He cites a survey made by the American Institute of Public Opinion in which men of all ages throughout the nation were asked
(3) It can if the people who conduct the drive for blood to meet the needs of the Korean war will follow the example of a small town. When Felton, Minn., population 258, was asked to contribute to the blood drive, Vivian T. Murphy, a semi-invalid, helped put across the drive. She tells her story in the December Catholic Digest.

BABSON

Writes . . .

By ROGER BABSON

BABSON PARK, Mass., Dec. 23—I believe that free colleges and universities, unencumbered by government ties, are essential to our economy. I am sure Gen. Eisenhower—due to his experiences with Columbia University—believes likewise. We both are disturbed by the weak financial condition of hundreds of our important colleges.
Costs Up—Contributions Down
Inflation has forced operating costs sky high, while taxation has kept gifts down low. This is, of course, the result of short-sighted legislation of "soak the rich and excess tax business." We have reached the point where very few individuals believe they can afford to contribute large sums to educational institutions.
An indication of the end of this kind of policy is hinted at in a recent issue of the Harvard Business Review: Harvard's endowment stood at \$139 million in 1940, with total annual operating expenses of \$11 million. By June, 1951, Harvard's endowment had reached over \$200 million; but annual operating expenses had risen to over \$32 million. In other words, during that period, while its endowment increased 46 per cent, its operating expenses zoomed 195 per cent! Probably close to half of our colleges are currently operating in the red.
Cost Of Education Too High
To help relieve this financial stress, colleges have raised tuition costs, increased class size, trimmed facilities, and raised board and room rent. The results: the old, large colleges now cost parents \$2000 a year. Add to this clothing, transportation, and amusement, and Dad is lucky if he gets out of it for \$2500 per year. It is true that this cost can be reduced by enrolling your son in a college of business administration which combines four years' work into three years; but this means your boy must work.
How many fathers can afford \$2500 per year for four years when the top 20 per cent of our population holds 93 per cent of our total net savings? This leaves the bottom 80 per cent with but seven per cent of our national savings. Add to this the fact that the average annual earnings for all full-time employees in the U. S. are around \$3250 and you begin to think that the old colleges and universities may be pricing themselves out of the market.
Should present trends continue, I am afraid that Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and other famous institutions will be for only the privileged few who can afford their education, rather than for those who most deserve it. This, ordinarily, would be dangerous for a free society. Democracy needs the best character and brains of its citizenry, irrespective of their families' wealth. But I believe that today the smaller and more economical institutions are really developing better men.
Government Aid Given In 1944
Even under present conditions, the government has already been generous. At the height of GI education in 1947, the U. S. government was paying 50 per cent of the colleges' operating costs. For the fiscal year ended in June, 1950, the government contributed \$3.6 billion for general educational purposes. It is this form of financial aid that has kept many colleges alive these last few years, although this is not a satisfactory educational practice.
Our colleges should have further substantial financial aid both for operating expenses and scholarships to worthy students. Corporations could easily contribute to philanthropies three per cent of the five per cent allowable net taxable income which the law permits them to give tax free. This three per cent would come to about \$1.2 billion. If 25 per cent of this, or about \$300 million, were tabbed for higher educational institutions, including business schools that do such a fine job with individuals, the problem might be solved. But will business respond before it is too late? What will your company do about this important issue?
An ordinary cake pan, wrapped in aluminum foil, with candles held in florist clay, makes an ideal candleboard for Christmas decorations.
You'll find those holiday fruit stains a lot easier to remove if you rinse them with cold water just as soon as you've noticed them.

1953 Racing

Dates Released

Except for a minor change, the Maryland racing season for 1953 is practically the same as this year.
The Maryland Racing Commission took over the assigning of dates when the three major track operators—Pimlico, Laurel, and Bowie—were unable to agree upon a schedule, and this week announced a new lineup for the big tracks, half-milers, and harness ovals.
Next year's turf season will open March 27 at Bowie and will close at the same course on Dec. 5, just one day earlier than the original date scheduled for this year, when winter weather necessitated two postponements.
In the past, Laurel has opened the major fall season. However, Pimlico will open on Oct. 1 next season and will operate through Oct. 24. Laurel will follow with a 20-day session, and then Bowie will close 57 days of fall racing.
Date for Maryland major track follows,
Bowie, Mar. 27 to April 17, 18 days.
Laurel, April 18 to May 2, 13 days.
Pimlico, May 4 to May 16, 12 days. There will be no racing on Good Friday, April 4.
Fall Schedule
Pimlico, Oct. 1 to 24, 21 days.
Laurel, Oct. 26 to Nov. 17, 20 days.
Bowie, Nov. 18 to Dec. 5, 16 days.
It is reported Ben Cohen, who with his brother, Herman, and Cary Boshamer, is expected to close a deal Dec. 27 to purchase 98 per cent of the Pimlico stock.
The half-mile season will again be split with Bel Air conducting a 10-day meeting in May and then the other four minor tracks

operating consecutively from Aug. 4 through Sept. 26.
Dates for the minor ovals are:
Bel Air, May 20 to May 30, 10 days.
Cumberland, Aug. 4 to 8, Aug. 11 to Aug. 15, 10 days.
Hagerstown, Aug. 18 to 22, Aug. 25 to 29, 10 days.
Timonium, Sept. 2 to 12, 10 days.
Marlboro, Sept. 16 to 26, 10 days.
The dates for the harness racing season follows:
Rosecroft, May 18 to June 13, 20 nights.
Laurel, June 15 to July 11, 20 nights.
Baltimore Raceway, July 13 to Aug. 8, 20 nights.
Ocean Downs, Aug. 10 to Sept. 5, 20 nights.
Harness track operators received the schedule they had requested from the commission several weeks ago. It is practically the same as last year.

Many Schools Join Freedom Crusade

Many county schools throughout the state are participating in the Crusade for Freedom, the anti-communist movement headed in Maryland by Senator George L. Radcliffe.
Schools are familiarizing their students with the objectives of the Crusade by explaining the merits of a campaign of truth against Communism.
The Crusade, now in its third year, is the private citizen's way of fighting Communism. Through the operation of 13 freedom stations of the Crusade's Radio Free Europe, programs are beamed at six Iron Curtain countries daily at the rate of 1,086 hours per week.
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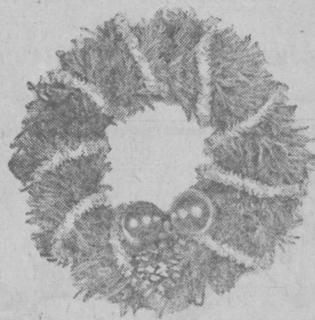
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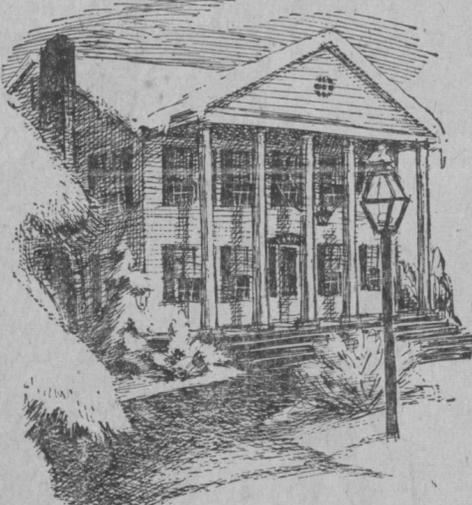
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Knowledge Of Heat Lamps Valuable

Farmers are using heat lamps by the thousands and find them valuable in saving young animals and chicks, says A. V. Krewatch, extension agricultural engineer, University of Maryland. Because it is easy to use heat lamps, Mr. Krewatch suggests that farm folks not get careless but use them safely and have them to do the job that they should.

If more than one heat lamp is used as a unit, it is best to support the unit by a light chain, rope, or wire. The electric cord should not be the support for the lamps unless only one lamp is used.

Mr. Krewatch also cautions that there should be adequate electrical circuits in the building with sufficient outlets where the heat lamps can be plugged on short lengths of the proper type extension cord. A porcelain or special metal socket is best because the sockets do get hot. Ordinary "across-the-counter" sockets should not be used.

There are two types of heat lamps. One type is made of hard glass, which is usually red in color, and will stand water splash or moisture. The other, a lower priced lamp, is made of clear glass and will break if water is splashed on it.

In many uses, heat lamps are best protected by a deep-dome reflector. If such a reflector is used be sure it is one with ventilation holes around the socket. This will prevent the entire unit from getting so hot.

Some manufacturers provide a bowed strip of metal across the open end of the reflector. Should the reflector fall on the floor or fall on litter in a pen, the lamps will simply roll over, pointing the heat rays upward and thus not become a fire hazard.

In a building where a large number of lamps are used, it is best to check the wire size of the circuits to be sure that full voltage is delivered to the lamps. The loss of heat is more than double the drop in voltage.



What Makes America Tick?

A recent nationwide sampling of high school seniors revealed that 55 per cent knew so little or cared so little about the economic system under which we live that they agreed with the keystone Communist doctrine of "from each according to his ability, to each according to his need." In a quiz given to find out how much they knew about the American system, the seniors scored 48 per cent—a few points better than mere guesswork would have produced.

The results of this high school sampling indicate, among other things, that the facts about our American system, the secret of American prosperity, must be spelled out over and over again in the simplest terms for every category of our citizenry. Every high school senior, every college student, every fact every American from school age up ought to know and ought to be reminded day in and day out that the American economic system works to their advantage because—

Everybody Can Dream

1. It permits everybody the freedom to dream, and to pursue their dreams. Therefore the nation benefits from the brain capacity of the total population, rather than from a handful of Planners as under Communism and Socialism. There have been lots of crazy ideas and dreams in our atmosphere of freedom, but likewise there have been marvelous ideas, and many have come from obscure men and women. The genius of Edison, Ford, Kettering, and Bell blossomed to maturity under freedom. Under Socialist or Communist planning these men of obscure origin might have been assigned to a collectivist farm—or Siberia.

2. It permits anyone to compete with the dreamers. Some 1400 automobile companies have sprung up through the years to compete with Ford in the low price field. Many companies make electric lights. In our country a man doesn't have to be a dreamer. If he has business or salesmanship ability he can compete with and perhaps even beat the dreamer at his own game. This freedom to compete allows our nation to utilize the latent powers of management from our whole population—instead of having only two or three producers selected by the Planners, and usually on the basis of "party" politics.

Screened Management

3. The American economic system develops and places a value on efficiency in the production of goods and services. Freedom to dream our dreams and freedom to compete with the dreamers have the effect of screening our management, and most efficient. Wherever I've been throughout the world, observant people of all nations have complimented the efficiency of American management. Our screened efficient management produces goods at low cost to the consumers and provides jobs at good wages. Under government management there is inefficiency, low wages, low production, a low standard of living.

4. It provides the American workman with the finest tools on earth. Keen competition under efficient management has inspired the development of machine tools which cannot be imagined by the workers in most countries. This advantage in tools permits an American coal miner to mine eight tons of coal per day, while in the government operated mines of England the miners produce only a fourth as much. The investment in tools in an American automobile industry is more than \$10,000 per employee. That much money has to be invested to make a single job. In chemical plants it reaches \$15,000 per employee; in the railroad industry, \$20,000.

Choice Of Occupation

5. The American economic system provides freedom for the working man and woman. Only free people can be efficient and ingenious on the job, and only under a private enterprise economy can free labor exist. Freedom permits the natural inclinations and abilities to develop and to find a satisfying outlet in the choice of occupation. American labor is constantly dreaming up new ideas that are being put into operation in American industry—to benefit the employes, the company, and the public which gains from better products at lower costs.

All high school seniors should know that the economic system gives the American workman seven times more purchasing power in food, eight times more purchasing power in clothing, and 10 times more

Absolute Divorce Granted The Carroll County Circuit Court at Westminster awarded Mildred E. Clingan of Taneytown, an absolute divorce from Samuel S. Clingan of Emmitsburg last

week. The two children were awarded to the mother. A daughter was born Thursday, Dec. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keepers of Emmitsburg.

Mrs. R. M. Fleagle and children of Greenville, Mich., are spending some time with Mrs. Fleagle's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stover of Bridgeport.

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Uncle Sam's women in uniform as well as his servicemen find USO club facilities come in mighty handy when they are off duty. Here three servicewomen check their "gear" with a USO volunteer. USO services are made possible by United Defense Fund which is seeking support through Red Feather and other united community campaigns.

purchasing power in housing than the Russian Communist system provides for its people, and almost three times more purchasing power than is provided by Socialism in England. These are facts we must keep fresh in our minds if we are to keep our system progressing and forestall the organized attempts of the Socialists and Communists to capture it and us.

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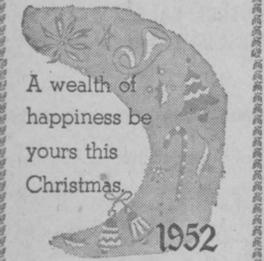
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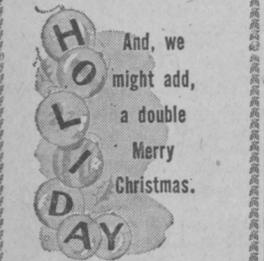
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12-Year Road Building Program Will Bring State Up With The Best

Following is the second in a series of five articles on the Maryland highway system and the 12-year plan for improvement of that system prepared by the State Roads Commission and the Highway Advisory Council. This plan will be submitted to the 1953 General Assembly. These articles comprise the text of an illustrated booklet entitled "The Road Ahead," copies of which may be obtained by writing to the Public Relations Division, Maryland State Roads Commission, Baltimore.

Taking inventory of a road system isn't so easy as taking stock in a store. The storekeeper wants to know primarily how much stock he has on hand. The highway engineer already knows that. What concerns him is how good it is. It isn't enough, therefore, simply to say that Maryland has 4736 miles of roads in its State highway system and let it go at that. The question is: How good are those miles?

Width is one measure of quality. The automobiles, trucks, and busses that use our roads today are wider, longer, faster than they used to be. They need more room. A narrow road may be better than no road, but a wide road is certainly safer than a narrow one. How wide? Well, experienced engineers say the minimum safe width for a two-way road—that means an undivided highway with nothing but a painted line to separate the traffic streams—is 24 feet. Now let's see what Maryland has in its 4736 miles.

First, let's subtract the 167 miles of divided highways that are already in use. So far as width goes, they meet the minimum requirements. That leaves 4569 miles of undivided, two-way roads. And here's what we have: Roads from nine to 12 ft. wide, 70 miles; roads from 12 to 20 feet wide, 2390 miles; roads from 20 to 23 feet wide, 1281 miles, and roads 4 feet or more in width, 826 miles.

That's the picture so far as width is concerned. But width is only one measure on how good a road is. It has to be considered in relation to other factors. Volume of traffic, for instance. Some Maryland roads carry 50 vehicles a day, some carry 500, some carry 5000 and a few carry more than 20,000. Some are jammed on Sunday, deserted during the rest of the week. Some are crowded every weekday morning and evening, almost empty during the rest of the day.

That complicates matters. Width is constant, but volume is variable. Highway engineers make a constant out of it by taking actual traffic counts over a period sufficient to cover the highs and lows on a given section of road, then striking an average and assigning that average as the volume factor.

By the standards they have evolved from these factors—width in relation to volume—many, many miles of Maryland roads are inadequate. For instance, the standards prescribe a divided highway when the traffic load reaches 3000 vehicles a day. Yet, in Maryland hundreds of miles of undivided highways are carrying vehicular volumes far in excess of that. As a matter of fact, some of these less-than-20-foot roads carrying up to 5000 vehicles a day. Specifically, 540 miles of two-way, undivided highways are carrying vehicular volumes in excess of 3000 a day, and 190 miles of that total is represented by roads less than 24 feet wide. That's worth remembering. It's an important consideration in deciding what we have today in the way of roads.

There are other factors, too. There's the factor highway engineers call "alignment." That has to do with how straight the road is, how frequent and how sharp the curves are. Then there's the factor they call "profile." That's another way of saying how level the road is, how often and how much it climbs and dips. Both factors are tied into the overall evaluation of any road. A too-narrow road is bad enough, even if it's straight and level, but a too-narrow road that twists and turns and climbs and dips is worst of all.

Maryland has a lot of road mileage like that. A recent survey shows: 6700 curves too sharp for normal driving speed; 12,800 places where hills, hollows, obstructions or curves limit view of the road ahead to less-than-safe distances at normal driving speed; 1900 hills long enough and steep enough to slow down heavy vehicles and produce, in the wake, the creeping congestion that tempts impatient drivers to take dangerous chances.

These are deficiencies directly connected with safety. They must be taken into consideration in deciding the value of what we have in the way of roads.

The condition of the surfacing on these roads that make up the 4736-mile total has to be considered, too. Obviously it isn't all of the same age or quality, so it can't all be in the same condition. There are good miles and bad miles, and they are in-between miles where the surface is

all right for the present but will have to be replaced in the not-too-distant future.

State Roads Commission engineers know where these miles are, and how good or bad each is. The totals, however, aren't significant in the over-all analysis, because in only a few isolated cases would the condition of the surface be the determining factor. If a road has to be widened, or straightened or leveled because of one or another of the factors we're already learned about, it will have to be resurfaced anyway.

There's one more factor to think about in evaluating what we have in the way of a State roads system. What does it represent in money?

You'll have to take your choice of several answers for that, for there are several ways to figure it. For instance, from the beginning of the State road system up to now, and including what will be committed before the end of this fiscal year, Maryland has spent \$440 million building and rebuilding its system of State roads. Is that its present value?

Another way would be to figure what it would cost to replace the whole State system, inadequate as it may be, at today's prices. When you think of the engineering costs, the rights-of-way that would have to be bought, the men and materials that the construction would take you can readily see it could run into billions. Could you call that its present value?

It's hard, you see, to set a dollar volume on our roads system; hard, and not too important. What is convenience worth? What's the true value of safety? What's a fair price for the whole structure of modern living that has been built up around our highways?

Whatever it is, that's what they're worth.

(The next article will discuss what we need in the way of improvements to bring our highway system up to modern standards.)

HOME OWNERS QUESTION BOX

Q—How can cracks be caulked to keep the caulking material from falling out after it hardens?

A—Use the prepared caulking compound made for that purpose. It never hardens completely but stays plastic enough to move with the wood or other surrounding material as it expands and contracts. Caulking compound can be applied with a putty knife or a caulking gun. It can be painted.

Q—What are the new pastel roofing colors, and are pastel shingles suitable for all kinds of houses?

A—Pastel shingles are new members of an already wide and accepted family of roof colors. They are soft, neutral blends that are slightly grayed. Red, green, and blue are popular. Aside from the color, pastel asphalt shingles are not different from others and can be used anywhere that other shingles can. Personal preference should decide.

Q—What causes fireplaces to smoke?

A—Poor construction is one reason, of course. Another reason is that the flue is clogged, perhaps because the throat damper is closed. Like any other chimney, the chimney to a fireplace should be kept clean.

Q—Can lacquer be applied on top of varnish?

A—No. The lacquer will act as a varnish remover and the finish of the wood will be smeared. Before lacquer is used, the old finish must be taken off completely.

Veterans Will Receive Dividend

The Veterans Administration announced recently another dividend will be paid next year to about five million veterans holding National Service Life Insurance policies.

The first payments will be made in February. The amount of the individual dividends for many policyholders will be the same as this year's dividend, with the large majority of men getting a flat \$60.

The dividend is the second regular one on NSLI—the first was paid this year—and will total \$180 million. With two special dividends already paid, the four total nearly \$4 billion.

Payments to individual policyholders, the administration said, will be made from 30 to 40 days after the anniversary date of the policy.

To be entitled to the dividend, the policyholder must have paid premiums for any three or more months between the anniversary date of his policy in 1952 and the same date in 1953.

The rate of dividend payment on most policies will be 50 cents for each \$1000 of insurance for each month it was in force between the 1952 and 1953 anniversary date.

Best quality oranges are firm and heavy. Select those with fine textured, well-colored skin.

MARYLAND FARM FRONT

Half a million farmers referred to the Soil Conservation Service in 1952 by County Production and Marketing Administration committees received technical assistance in carrying out Agricultural Conservation Program practices, according to Dr. Robert M. Salter, chief of SCS. About three out of every five ACP participants who were serviced by SCS were also cooperators with soil conservation districts.

The 1952 program year was the first full year of operations with SCS responsible for the technical soundness of permanent-type practices in the ACP, as directed by the Secretary of Agriculture in February 1951.

Dr. Salter explained that more permanent-type soil and water conservation measures were applied on farm and ranch lands of the nation during the 1952 fiscal year than in any previous year in the history of the SCS.

SCS progress in 1952 was attributed by Dr. Salter to four main developments, among them "improving teamwork between districts and SCS and other Federal and state agencies such as the Forest Service, the PMA, and state agricultural experiment stations and extension services."

The other three developments were (1) a new progressive planning procedure that enables SCS to help a larger number of farmers and ranches get started more quickly on conservation plans, (2) increased experience and efficiency of SCS technicians, (3) growing strength and activity of soil conservation districts.

Place Orders Early For Wire, Fencing and Nails Supplies of baling wire, nails, and fencing materials may fall short of demand during 1953 unless sufficient orders are placed now to boost lagging mill output, James A. Cottman, acting chairman of the Maryland PMA state committee, cautioned farmers this week.

"We have been advised that beginning in early September steel mills began reporting empty space on their rolling schedules for bale ties, coiled baling wire, nails, woven wire fencing, netting, and barbed wire," says Mr. Cottman. "This situation has grown steadily worse. If orders sufficient to utilize full mill capacities are not placed very shortly, it is quite possible that shortages will occur next spring and summer."

Mr. Cottman explains that in order to fill the expanding farm needs for these products, it is

STRENGTH FOR THESE DAYS

For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore Thy Name's sake lead me, and guide me— (Psalm XXXI, 3.) Of what benefit or value is the leadership or advice of the wisest and ablest of men if they themselves are without the guidance of God? We know from the Bible that such blessed guidance is not, however, reserved to any one set of men but is available to the least of us who, through righteousness, will make ourselves worthy in the sight of the Lord and seek His help.

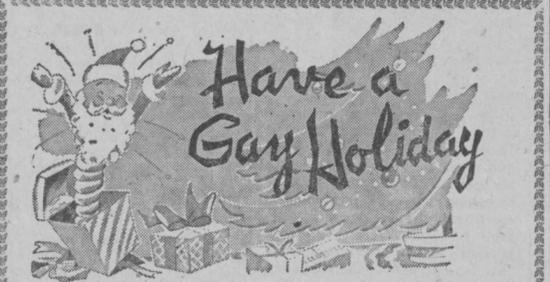
necessary for the mills to operate at or near capacity the year round. This depends upon the extent to which orders on the mills are sufficient to utilize the available rolling capacity.

Farmers can be particularly helpful in solving the present situation by anticipating their needs for the coming crop season and either placing their orders immediately or advising their dealers of their anticipated requirements, says Mr. Cottman. In this way the full demand can properly be gauged and provided for by distributors and the steel mills.



We hope you may be surrounded by joy and gladness and filled with the warmth Christmas brings to everyone.

WELTY'S MEAT MARKET Emmitsburg, Maryland



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CROSSWORD PUZZLE LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

1. Nonsense (slang)	4. Electrical Engineer (abbr.)	18. Languishes	38. Bounder
6. Distress signal	5. The (Old. Eng.)	21. French military leader and conqueror	39. Blue grass
9. A contract	6. Condemns to punishment	23. Over (poet.)	41. South Carolina (abbr.)
11. Heartily	7. Upon the top of	25. Breezy	42. Toward
12. Unbind	8. Race	26. Fellow	
14. Measure (Turk.)	10. Rumble	27. Granular variety of limestone	
15. Repair	11. Particle	28. A size of coal	
17. Toward	13. Weir (var.)	29. Cools	
18. Pocketbook	15. A dwarfed thing	30. Ages	
19. Pair (abbr.)	16. Unit of work	32. Frosted (Brit.)	
20. A roof-like canvas cover		36. Prison	
22. Inquisitive			
24. Emmet			
25. One-spot card			
26. Deal with			
28. A U. S. president			
31. Natives of Indiana			
33. Exclamation			
34. Entire amount			
35. Gulf of Mexico island			
36. Alcoholic liquor			
37. Fragment			
39. Chums			
40. Umbrella-like fungus			
43. Conclude			
44. Live embers			

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VIRGIL By Len Kleis

MUTT AND JEFF By Bud Fisher

**Alumni Dance  
December 30**

The Emmitsburg High School alumni dance will be held Tuesday evening, Dec. 30 and promises to be one of the most successful to be held in recent years. President Carroll Frock Jr., of the alumni, has appointed the following committees in charge of the promotion: decoration, Arthur Sanders, Hazel Glacken, and Mary Fiery; refreshments, Lucy Bollinger, Inez Glass, and Doris Waitler.

The Spatsmen's Orchestra has been engaged for the winter social function.

The vanilla bean was discovered in Central America and Sixth Century Spaniards introduced it into Europe.

**Presbyterian Church  
Will Hold  
Installation Services**

Jan. 15 at 8:00 p. m. has been announced as the date of the installation of Rev. Gideon Galambos as pastor of the Piney Creek, Taneytown, and Emmitsburg Presbyterian Churches to be held in the Emmitsburg Church.

Rev. Galambos came to America from Czechoslovakia and was called to this parish from Philadelphia, where he has been for some time.

Not only the members of these churches are invited to attend this service, but a cordial invitation is extended to everyone in the surrounding communities.

The program for the installation services will be announced later.

**Come to Church**

**REFORMED CHURCH**  
Rev. E. P. Welker, Pastor.  
Christmas Eve Service, 7:30 p. m.  
Sunday School—9:15 a. m.  
The Service—10:30 a. m.

**EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Philip Bower, Pastor  
Christmas Eve at 11 o'clock to midnight, the traditional Candle-lighting Service with special music by the choirs.  
Sunday School for all ages, 9:15 a. m. The Service, 10:30 a. m. Christmas play, 7:30 p. m., "The White Pearl."

**TOM'S CREEK METHODIST**  
Rev. Byron H. Keesecker, Pastor  
9 a. m.—Sunday School.  
10 a. m.—Morning Worship.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. J. Franklin Weaver, Pastor  
Service 11 a. m.  
Church School 9:45 a. m.

**TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Byron H. Keesecker, Pastor  
Christmas Service Sunday at 9 a. m.  
10 a. m.—Sunday School.

**ST. JOSEPH'S R. C. CHURCH**  
Rev. John D. Sullivan, Pastor.  
Midnight Mass Christmas Eve.  
Low masses Thursday at 7, 8:30 and 10 o'clock. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament follows late mass.

Masses at 7:00, 8:30 and a High Mass at 10:00 a. m. Baptisms at 1:00 p. m. Confessions at 4 and 7:30 p. m. on Saturday.

**ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE**  
Rev. Stanley Scarff, Pastor.  
Midnight mass Christmas Eve.  
Masses at 7:30 and 9:30 a. m. Confessions Saturdays at 3:30 and 7:30 p. m.

**YOUTH GROUP TO  
PRESENT PLAY**

"The White Pearl," a Christmas play, will be presented Sunday at 7:30 o'clock by the Sunday School group of the Lutheran Church. The play comprises two acts and was written by Valeria R. Lehman and has a playing time of about 45 minutes. The action takes place in a Bethlehem

home, the first Christmas Eve.

At the close of the play there will be a distribution of gifts.

Pope Pius XII canonized Mother Frances Xavier Cabrini, first American citizen to be granted sainthood, on July 7 of 1946.

**Obituaries**

Joseph Edgar Brown, well-known resident and carpenter of Lantz, died very suddenly last Thursday evening, Dec. 18, while visiting his son, Joseph K. Brown, at his home in Blue Ridge Summit. He was aged 73 years.

A son of the late Upton and Clare E. Conrad Brown, the deceased was a member of the Cascade Church of God. His wife, predeceased her husband by five years.

One daughter and two sons survive: Mrs. Hubert Bailey, Creagerstown; Clyde W. Lantz, and Joseph, Blue Ridge Summit. Three sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Minnie Harbaugh, Lantz; Mrs. Merh Willard, Oakland; Mrs. Nettie Harbaugh, Hagerstown; Ivan Brown, Lantz; Russell Brown, Cascade; Charles Brown, Highfield, also survive, as do four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. Burial was in Blue Ridge Cemetery, Thurmont.

**ROBERT L. SANDERS**

Robert L. Sanders, 56, died at 6:45 o'clock Friday morning at his home, Rt. 1, Gettysburg, Mt. Joy Twp., of complications. He had been in ill health about a year but had been able to be up and about his home Thursday.

He was born in Adams County, a son of the late Robert F. and Mary Jane Shertzer Sanders, and had been a farmer most of his life. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Two Taverns. He leaves his widow, the former Mildred Funt; one daughter, Mrs. George Gantz, Gettysburg

**Lions Agree**

**To Sponsor Horse Show In 1953**

Preparations have all been made for the 24th annual Christmas Party, it was reported by Lion Herbert W. Roger, chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements at the regular meeting of the Lions Club held Monday night in the Lutheran Parish

Rt. 1; one son, John R. Sanders, at home; one grandson, Frederick Gantz, and these brothers and sisters: Mrs. Max Sites, Fairfield Rt. 1; Mrs. Clare Diehl, Hanover; J. Clair Sanders, Hunters-town; Donald Sanders, McSherrystown; Orin Sanders, Littlestown; Roland Sanders, Emmitsburg; Kenneth Sanders, Fairfield; Arthur Sanders, Gettysburg R. D., and Francis Sanders, U. S. Army.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, the Rev. Oscar E. Feeman officiated. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Hall, President J. Ward Kerrigan presiding.

Once again the Lions will sponsor the horse show and Acting Secretary John J. Dillon Jr. was instructed to select a probable date and send the annual dues to the Maryland Horse Show Assn. Lion Dillon was appointed by the president to serve as the organization's delegate to the Community Fund.

A presidential commendation was given Lion Charles R. Fuss for the work he has done for the welfare of the community in the form of better streets and roads.

A discussion concerning the removal of the blinker from the Square and the installation of a traffic regulating device was held, but no action was taken.

Lion Robert E. Daugherty was reappointed as general chairman of the horse show for 1953.

From 24,000 to 107,000 eggs are spawned by the female lamprey

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The spirit of the season strengthens our bonds of mutual friendship

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- 1949 Buick Sedan, R&H, Super . 1295.00
- 1947 Studebaker Conv. Coupe, R&H . 695.00
- 1947 Buick Sedan, R&H . 895.00
- 1947 Pontiac 2-Door Sedan, R&H . 795.00
- 1946 Olds Club Sedan, Hyd., R&H . 795.00
- 1937 Chevrolet Coach . 95.00

- '52 Cadillac '62' 4-dr. Sd., RH '48 Pont. conv. cpe., RH, Hyd.
- '52 Mercury Sedan, R&H '48 Olds '98' 4-dr., sedan
- '52 Merc. Sup. '88' 2-dr. Sed., '48 Chev. 2-Dr. Sedan, H.
- Radio and Heater '48 Pont. Conv. Cpe. RH, Hyd
- '51 (2) Olds Sup. '88' R&H '47 (2) Pont. 4-dr. sed., R&H
- '51 Pont. 4-dr. Sed. RH, Hyd. '47 Olds '98' C. S., RH.
- '50 Pont. 4-dr. Sd., RH, Hyd. '47 (2) Pont. Club sed., RH.
- '50 Plym. 2-dr. Sed., RH. '47 Cadillac '62' 4-dr. sedan
- '50 Pontiac 4-dr. Sedan '47 Chev. 2-dr. sed., RH.
- '50 Olds '98' 4-dr. sed., RH. '46 Plymouth 4-door sedan
- '50 Olds '88' 2-dr. Sed., RH. '46 Olds Club Sedan
- '49 Ford 4-dr. sed., RH, O.D. '52 GMC 152 Pickup S-Tag
- '49 Merc. 4-dr. sed., RH. '52 GMC 102 Pickup S-Tag
- '49 (2) Buick 4-dr. sed., RH. '51 Ford Chassis and Cab
- Dyn. Flo. '50 Int. 1 1/2-ton chassis-cab
- '49 Olds '98' 4-dr., sed., RH. '49 Internat. Dump W-Tag
- '49 Pontiac '8' 4-dr. sedan '48 Internat. Dump V-Tag
- '48 Cadillac 62, 4-dr. sed., RH '46 Studebaker 1/4-ton Pickup

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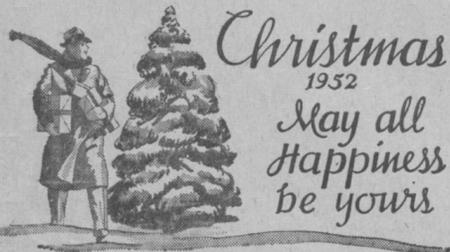
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Let's help Santa make this the merriest Christmas of all. 1952

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Fear not, for behold!

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**Emmitsburg Memorial Post 6658**

**Veterans of Foreign Wars**

Center Square



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FOR SALE—Custom Aluminum Storm Windows and Doors. A most complete 3-track, all extruded architecture aluminum window with all the latest features and the least gadgets. Simple to operate. All windows and doors custom made to fit. For free estimates call FERN R. OHLER Emmitsburg 215-F-12

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FOR SALE—Lot, 170 ft. frontage, one acre, 41 perches, 365 ft. deep. Located on Rt. 15 near Emmitsburg. Write Box C, Emmitsburg Chronicle. 12/19/2p

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FOR RENT—Three unfurnished rooms with private shower; third floor; reasonable rent of \$20.00. Phone 7-F-3.

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NOTICES

ATTENTION TAXPAYERS! All taxpayers owing 1952 or prior year taxes are requested to make settlement by Dec. 31, 1952. It is necessary for Frederick County to have current taxes in hand by the end of the levy year in order to meet budgetary obligations.

Payment of all taxes by the end of the year will be greatly appreciated. Respectfully, JAMES H. FALK, County Treasurer

12-12-3t

Notice Of Stockholders Meeting: The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of The Farmers State Bank, Emmitsburg, Md., will be held at the banking house in Emmitsburg, Md., on Tuesday, January 13, 1953 between the hours of 1:00 o'clock and 2:00 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing directors of the bank for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEORGE L. WILHIDE, 12 26 3t Cashier

Accounting Demanded

An equity action seeking an accounting has been filed in court by Mr. and Mrs. William D. Reese Jr., Emmitsburg, against Mr. and Mrs. Martin R. Hitchcock. The complainants say that in 1948 they executed an delivered a chattel mortgage in favor of the Hitchcocks to secure repayment of a \$2000 loan.

They say they subsequently repaid \$500, leaving a balance of \$1500. In the year 1949, Mr. and Mrs. Reese assert the Hitchcocks claimed the loan was in default and entered the premises, taking machinery, tools, and other articles mortgaged. Since the seizure, the complainants continue, they have been unable to learn what disposition was made of the property. They say they were never given any notice of sale of mortgaged chattels, as required by law. They claim the value of the balance of the loan and ask for an accounting, saying any surplus should be given them. Mathias and Mathias are attorneys for the complainants.

VFW PARTY DEC. 29

The annual VFW Christmas party for post members, auxiliary and social members will be held Monday, Dec. 29, starting at 7:30 p. m., it was announced this week by VFW officers.

Combine sliced cooked carrots, thin white sauce, bread crumbs and grated cheese to make an appetizing carrot scallop.

700 Children Enjoy Treat

Santa Claus and his helpers treated more than 700 surprised school children attending the three district schools last Friday.

Students in St. Euphemia's Parochial School, Emmitsburg Public School, and at St. Anthony's received oranges and candy. Those in the first three grades were given an extra gift.

The project, sponsored jointly by the American Legion Post and the Emmitsburg Memorial Post, VFW, was the fifth annual event.

More than 50 dozen of oranges and 400 pounds of candy were distributed to the children before they left on their Christmas recess.

Helping Santa with the distribution were Cmdrs. Fern Olden and Eugene T. Rodgers, Post Adjutant Lumen F. Norris, John Garner, and William Rodgers.

Cub Scouts Hold Party

The Emmitsburg Cub Pack Scouts held its pack meeting and Christmas party last Friday night at the Legion Home, N. Seton Ave.

Twenty-five members of the troop, three young guests, and parents attended the affair, which saw Santa Claus in his usual role.

The Cub Pack, sponsored by the local American Legion Post, is scoutmastered by Kenneth D. Bond.

The Scouts were served cookies, ice cream, soft drinks, popcorn, and tangerines.

FUND TO MEET

President Paul A. Keepers of the Community Fund has called a meeting of that group for this Monday night at 8:00 p. m. in the VFW post home, second floor. New delegates will be installed for the year.

Odds And Ends

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constantly present in United Nations.

And now in conclusion I shall let myself hope that some of my readers who are not familiar with the details on which this general statement is based will look forward to an account of them, for a part of that account is what I am looking forward to giving in my first report for the New Year. A.E.H.

There are two main groups of meteorites, one of stone and one of metal. Some meteorites are a combination of metal and stone.

MAJESTIC GETTYSBURG

Thurs.-Fri.-Sat. December 25-26-27 SPENCER TRACY GENE TIERNEY "Plymouth Adventure" Color by Technicolor Sun. & Mon. Dec. 28-29 TYRONE POWER "PONY SOLDIER" Color by Technicolor Tues., 1 Day Only, Dec. 30 "CATTLE TOWN" DENNIS MORGAN New Year's Eve MIDNIGHT SHOW TWO FEATURES "DRACULA" and "FRANKENSTEIN" At the Midnite Show Only



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Chamber Of Commerce

EMMITSBURG MARYLAND

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert L. Joy, signed to the Sixth Infantry, S. Seton Ave., have received word that their son, Pfc. Joseph C. Joy, has arrived safely in Berlin, Germany. He has been serving in the Sixth Infantry since his brother, Pvt. Joy, has been serving in the past six months.



GREEN'S PASTRY SHOP EMMITSBURG, MARYLAND

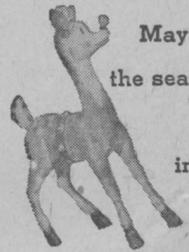
MERRY CHRISTMAS



We're on time with 'special' wishes for a bright and happy holiday season.

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May the great joy of the season find its way into your hearts in large measure.

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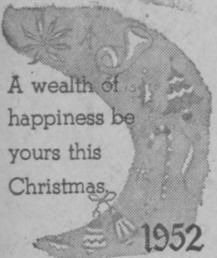
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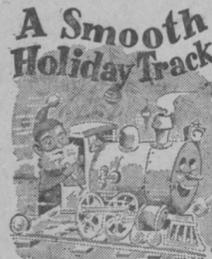
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