

# Merry Christmas

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### Most Anything At A Glance

BY ABIGAIL

Well now that the Christmas season is here and everybody is in a favorable and forgiving mood, I think now would be the appropriate time for me to make amends for the misinformation I gave you last week. Seems as though I was misinformed about who ran the eating stand at Rainbow Lake during the recent deer hunting season. I reported that Bob Stonesifer had the doings of the deal. Well he was in a way, in charge of the enterprise, but where I was in error was that he was operating it for the benefit of the Conservation Club and the funds went to that group and not himself. Sorry.

I was happy to see that some individuals took my hint and proceeded to do some more Christmas decorating on their own. In last week's column I suggested that individuals or organizations pick up where the Town left off on the decorations and I was really tickled this week to see that more lights had been strung across East Main St., I imagine by cooperative and sympathetic people. At any rate East End of town is now just about complete as far as decorations are concerned and the effort is greatly appreciated and adds so much to the attractiveness of the town. Now then, is the East End going to show up the rest of the town? A string of lights doesn't cost very much folks, especially if you share the expense with another neighbor. What's say? Yeah and I have noticed that the solitary tree on the Square sort of looks lost. Three more would enhance the appearance considerably.

Be sure to take a look at the Christmas ads this week folks. Most of the merchants have placed these advertisements devoid of sales appeal, just as a friendly greeting to you, their friends and patrons. They feel that they owe this week to you, the public, and have therefore cut out just about all of the sales appeal of the ads in order to deliver their friendly message to you at this time of the year. There are really some cute verses on some of them and it will be well worth your while to take the time and read them.

Concerning Christmas cards, I imagine that I am just about like the rest of you. I love to receive them but I'm not too keen to have to return them. Each year I avow that I'll not send another one. But when the tide of them come swarming in, I, like most of you, relent and scurry about looking for my list left over from last year. No sooner than I have completed the ordeal than I hurriedly try to catch up with the new ones. There are additional ones each year. Suddenly I am caught in the spirit of the thing, after a two-week deluge of cards and I rush back to the postoffice in reciprocity for each new card I receive. I really enjoy receiving them but one of these years I am going to burn my list and start anew. It becomes a bit voluminous after a few years you know. . . . but then I suppose it's all a part of Christmas and while on this theme I'd like to take this opportunity of wishing you readers and the balance of the staff a very Merry Christmas.

#### LAST SATURDAY

Dennis Manahan—\$47.80

#### TODAY

\$222.00

This week and next week drawing will be held at 3 p. m., on Fridays.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Fissel, Greenmount, Pa., at the Warner Hospital last Thursday.

### Christmas Parade Set For Today

An estimated 1000 children from the Emmitsburg District will enjoy the annual Christmas Party to be held today. The affair has been sponsored for the past 26 years by the Lions Club, Homemakers' Club, Town Council and most local merchants.

The program gets under way at 11 o'clock this morning with a free movie at the Gem Theater, followed at noon with a free meal in the Fire Hall.

General chairman of the affair, Herbert W. Roger, announced that members of the Lions Club, Vigilant Hose Company, Police Chief Daniel J. Kaas and State Trooper 1/c Donald A. Tucker met at the Fire Hall early this week and packed several hundred pounds of candy for the kiddies.

A free time has been included in the program in order to allow parents to shop. This period has been scheduled from 1 to 2 p. m.

Following the shopping period the big parade will take place with Santa Claus participating. The parade will be marshaled by the Emmitsburg Police Dept., followed by the Municipal Band, Santa Claus and the children. The parade will form at the Doughboy in West End and will march to the Square where Santa will begin the distribution of free gifts.

Fire Chief John J. Hollinger reports he has been in close contact with Santa Claus and guarantees that he will not be late this year. The Chief will personally escort Santa from his landing field atop Carrick's Knob, to town.

Christmas music will be amplified on the Square throughout the day and the regular Christmas church services will be held later in the evening.

### Alumni Dance

The Sportsmen will furnish the music for the annual Christmas Dance sponsored by the Alumni Association of Emmitsburg High School, it has been announced by the committee in charge.

The affair will take place Tuesday evening, Dec. 28 starting at 9 p. m. Alumni and friends are invited to attend the annual event.

### CLUB FORMED

The Mothers' Club of St. Anthony's School was formed last Sunday at a social held in the school. The Sisters were present to welcome the group and the mothers met in the classrooms to view work the children have done and which was displayed.

Hostesses to the group were Mrs. Vernon Barbe, Mrs. Raymond Etheridge, Mrs. John M. Roddy, Jr., and Mrs. William E. Sanders. Hostesses from Thurmont included Mrs. Raymond Felix, Mrs. Ray Dominique and Mrs. Nelson Trout. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ernest Seltzer, Mrs. Lewis Kreitz, Mrs. Gerald Orosz and Mrs. Helen Eyer.

### Taney Will Favors School

The will of Miss Alice Taney was probated Monday in the Orphans Court for Frederick County. No valuation has been made on the estate of Miss Taney who died December 16.

The will was signed July 9, 1946 and witnessed by Alice S. Shorb and Frank W. Weant and it names Katherine Taney Silverson and Clifford A. Taney, Jr., as executors.

The instrument bequeaths \$500 to Sister Elizabeth Estelle Taney, of the Order of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent De Paul at St. Joseph Central House, Emmitsburg, if living. And to St. Anthony's Catholic School \$2,000 to be used by the managers of the school at their discretion.

The residue is to be divided equally between the children of the testator's eldest brother, Clifford A. Taney, Sr., late resident of Minneapolis, Minn. They are Katherine Taney Silverson, Cora Taney Van Campen, Clara Taney Will, Roger Brooke Taney Sr., and Clifford A. Taney, Jr.

### Death Claims Member Of Mount St. Mary's Faculty

Rev. Dr. John F. Cogan, 63, professor of philosophy at Mount St. Mary's College, where he formerly had served as dean and vice president, died at noon on Tuesday in St. Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, where he had been a patient for a week.

Father Cogan had been in ill health for a year and last week returned to the Brooklyn Hospital. His death, however, was unexpected.



DR. JOHN F. COGAN

The deceased was a native of Wilmington, Del., and was graduated from Mt. St. Mary's in 1914 and received his M.A. from the seminary in 1916. He was ordained in 1918. During his seminary days he taught at the college and helped coach the minims in baseball and football. After ordination he returned as a regular member of the staff, interrupting his teaching to continue his studies at Collegio Angelico in Rome, from which he received his Ph.D. in 1927.

Returning to the Mount, Father Cogan became professor of philosophy and an administrative officer. In the intervening years while he continued to teach, he also held the vice presidency of the institution and dean of studies, from which he retired a few years ago. He served also as chairman of the Athletic Council and moderator of such campus organizations as the Pridwin and Echo staffs, The Monogram Club, Athletic Assn., and the Monsignor Tierney Honor Society.

Solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated by Rt. Rev. Msgr. J. L. Sheridan, president of Mount St. Mary's, at Our Lady of Angels Church, Brooklyn, this morning at 9:30 a. m. The body will be returned to Emmitsburg and will be on view at Mt. St. Mary's College Saturday and Sunday nights from 7 to 10 p. m. A solemn Requiem Mass will be celebrated Monday morning at 10:30 a. m. by Msgr. John L. Sheridan and a sermon will be delivered by Msgr. William F. Culhane. Interment will be made in the college cemetery.

Members of the lay faculty of the college will be pallbearers.

### Annual Summary Of Local Police Dept. Shows Activity

The Emmitsburg Police Dept. this week released a summary of its activities from January to the present date.

The report discloses that 131 traffic violations (state) were handled, nine of which were dismissed and one the fines and costs were suspended. These cases, all of which were state motor vehicle code infractions, brought \$1,902.85 to the state treasury.

Twenty violations of Emmitsburg ordinances were handled and the fines netted the town treasury \$152.20. In addition nine criminal cases were tried and fines levied totaling \$114.00. All infractions of the law were tried before Magistrate Charles D. Gillelan of Emmitsburg and all charges were preferred by Police Chief Daniel J. Kaas.

J. Ledlie Gloninger left last week for Bradenton Beach, Fla., where he will spend the winter months.

In one year, 1860-61, eleven states seceded from the Union.

### Christmas Meditation

What's the Christmas Spirit, Daddy? The child peered gravely over the magazine where she had found these words, confidently awaiting an answer.

"Well, girl, it's . . . it's a lot of things, big and small. And hard as you'll find it to believe, Santa Claus is part of the small. You see, the Christmas Spirit isn't likely to visit you when you're knee-deep in your own pleasure; you've got to be heart-deep in kindness!

"Remember how bleak and barren Main Street looked early this month? And you know how it looks now, with the wintry harshness all shut out by those evergreen arches, and strings of lights. Well, that's sorta like the way the Christmas Spirit changes people . . . and towns . . . and the world. It takes all the grey coldness out of streets, and human hearts—and brings in something fine and fragrant like evergreen; something bright and sparkling like those streamer-lights of red and green and frosty-blue. It stirs up the best part of human nature, that's usually buried too far down. It turns on a long, warm, friendly smile inside of us.

"Remember the midnight service at church last year? There, more than anywhere else, you'll feel the touch of the Christmas Spirit. So many things play a part in it—the crisp silence of the night . . . the lights of the church, throwing long, golden patterns across the snow . . . frosty breath in the starlight, and faces rosy-fresh in the cold . . . a certain closeness and warmth that you'll never find anywhere—except at a Christmas midnight service.

"And then, girl, when you stand with the others and throw all your being into one of those great Christmas Carols, and the organ has a silver sound you never heard before, with your heart riding on its melody—then the Christmas Spirit is all around you, like a gentle snowfall. And your thoughts are soaring far, far above all the glitter and surface-shine of Christmas, up and through the midnight stretches searching the skies for the Star of Bethlehem.

"It's—so much more than I can say, and what I've said is probably hard for you to understand, but—"

She smiled across at him, her eyes shining in the lamp-glow. "I do understand, sorta better, anyway . . . and it is even more wonderful than Santa Claus, isn't it Daddy?"

And the winter wind whispered outside the window, envious of the bright glory within—for the radiance of the Christmas Spirit was with them, there in the room . . .

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### Sunday School Has Christmas Party

The Junior Sunday School Class of Tom's Creek Church held its Christmas party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Baumgardner Sunday evening. The following pupils were present: Betty Ann, Velma, Kenneth, Robert, and Eric Glass, Fred Rebert, Robert Bentz, Fred Grimes, Nancy Valentine, Richard Toms, Mead Fuss, Beulah McKinsey, Virginia Baumgardner. Guests were Susan McLaughlin, Robert Mumma and Donald Wantz. The evening was spent playing games and gifts were exchanged. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Baumgardner, the teacher, and Mrs. Maurice Moser.

### OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat

"Glory to God in the Highest  
and on Earth..." —Luke II-14



Christmas comes as a reminder, to nations as well as to individuals, that the promise of peace on earth is coupled with good will toward men.

### Obituaries

#### MRS. LUCY B. BOLLINGER

Mrs. Lucy Bertha Bollinger, 78, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Hawk, near town Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Her husband, William H. Bollinger, died last April 4.

Mrs. Bollinger was the daughter of the late Philip and Mary (Wise) Lawrence. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Emmitsburg.

She is survived by five sons, Allen Bollinger, Taneytown; Elmer Bollinger, Thurmont; Percy Bollinger, Taneytown; Charles Bollinger, Emmitsburg, and Joseph Bollinger, Littlestown, Pa.; three daughters, Mrs. Bernard H. Boyle, Emmitsburg; Mrs. Norbert Wivell, Thurmont, and Mrs. Earl Hawk; 53 grandchildren, 54 great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Rose Zeigler, Baltimore.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning meeting at the home at 8:30 o'clock, followed by a Requiem Mass at 9 o'clock at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, with Rev. Fr. John D. Sullivan officiating. Interment was in Mountview Cemetery, Emmitsburg. S. L. Allison, funeral director.

#### MRS. GEORGE BYERS

Mrs. Nettie Grant Byers, 88, Waynesboro, Pa., died last Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the home of a nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith, Fairfield R. D. A widow of George Byers, she had been in ill health for a number of years.

Mrs. Byers was a native of Freedom Twp. and was a daughter of the late George M. and Louisa (Wolford) Patterson. She was a member of the Waynesboro Lutheran Church.

The only survivors are nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Allison Funeral Home, Fairfield, with Dr. B. Clinton Ritz, her pastor, officiating. Interment in Mountview Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Pallbearers were John Eiker, Norman Riley, Walter Kugler, Alfonso Pecher, Lawrence Shriner and Nelson L. Trough.

#### ALICE LOUISE TANEY

Miss Alice Louise Taney, 81, great-great-niece of the former U. S. Chief Justice Roger Taney and the last of that line in this section, was found dead last Thursday morning, Dec. 16, about 10:30 o'clock in her home near St. Anthony's. Death was attributed to coronary thrombosis.

With a sister, Miss Taney a number of years ago unveiled a monument to Francis Scott Key at Frederick. Key was a native of Carroll County and married a member of the Taney family.

She was a daughter of the late Edward S. and Clara (McBride) Taney and was the last of that family.

Funeral services were held Monday morning with friends meeting at the home at 9:30, followed by a requiem mass at 10 o'clock at St. Anthony's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Vincent Tomalski officiating. Interment in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Emmitsburg.

Pallbearers were Harry Scott, Joseph Scott, John Walter, Richard McCullough, Michael Wasilifsky and Adolph Wasilifsky. S. L. Allison, funeral director.

### Special Choir Music For Church Services

Special music by the choirs of Elias Lutheran Church will be presented at the Traditional Candlelighting Service Christmas Eve starting at 11 o'clock. The Youth and Chapel Choirs are directed by Mrs. Reginald Zepp. In addition, Richard Frock will be the soloist for the Christmas Eve Service. Rev. Philip Bower, pastor, will bring a short message, "The Dawn of A New Day."

On Sunday morning all three choirs, directed by Mrs. Zepp, will sing, and Mr. John Basehoar, Gettysburg will be a guest soloist at this service. On Sunday morning, Rev. Bower's message will be "The Power of Jesus Name."

George Sprigg, Camp Hill, Pa., spent the week-end with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wivell.

Nevada was the thirty-sixth state admitted to the Union.

### Decorations Will Be Judged Friday Night

The judging of Emmitsburg's Christmas decorations will take place Friday evening, Dec. 31 from 8 to 10 p. m., it was announced at the regular monthly meeting of the Emmitsburg Chamber of Commerce held Monday night in the Fire Hall, Secretary C. A. Elder presiding in the absence of the president, Cloyd W. Seiss.

The monetary awards will be the same as in previous years, \$25.00 to be given to the winners in the commercial class and \$25 to the lucky winners of the residential classes. All those interested in the competition are asked to have their exhibits lighted for the judges between 8 and 10 p. m. Friday night.

#### Saturday Drawing Changed

The Chamber took action in changing the regular Saturday drawing date to this afternoon (Friday) at 3 p. m. Also the drawing for the following week will be held on Friday, Dec. 31 at 3 p. m. because most stores are closed on New Year's Day, Saturday.

The group authorized an allotment of up to \$50 to be made available to Herbert W. Roger, general chairman of a labor survey to be made after the first of the year. Several other organizations have expressed a willingness to allot money for the expenses of the survey, if needed.

#### Special Meeting

Announcement was made that the Saturday drawing contract expires next week and the Chamber of Commerce has engaged "Chick" Topper to "sound" out the members as to their desires of continuing or discontinuing the drawings. A drawing under local auspices was discussed but no action was taken. The Chamber has called a special meeting for this Monday night at 8:30 p. m., and asks all those merchants who are concerned with the drawing to please be present and it will be decided then whether the drawings will continue or not for another year. The \$5 draw prize was won by C. A. Elder.

### Fire Destroys Barn, Feed And Machinery

Fire completely destroyed the combination dairy and bank barn on the Roy Valentine farm about two miles north of Rocky Ridge last Thursday night, Dec. 16. Origin of the blaze is undetermined.

Also lost in the building was a considerable amount of feed and farm machinery, namely, 1200 bales of hay; 125 bales of straw; 25 bags of dairy feed; a disc harrow, cornplanter, cultivators, graindrill, hay loader and a side-delivery rake.

The Vigilant Hose Co. had men on hand shortly after the alarm was sounded. Cause of the fire which caused an estimated \$15,000 is still undetermined but investigation is continuing. It was the second serious fire on the Valentine farm in three weeks.

On Nov. 29 a shed on the property containing straw and machinery, was completely destroyed. State Trooper 1/c H. J. Brown is investigating both conflagrations. Firemen stated there was a possibility that both of the fires were set deliberately.

The fire in the barn was discovered at about 8:30 p. m. last Thursday as the family was at home watching television. The blaze started in the upper section of the barn where hay, straw and feeds were stored. The family had sufficient time to lead 18 head of livestock to safety, later selling them at an auction this week, having no feed or storage facilities for them this winter.

Firemen from Emmitsburg, Thurmont and Rocky Ridge responded to the alarm and concentrated their efforts on saving outbuildings. Emmitsburg firemen attached a portable pump to a small stream and used the water to save a corn crib and other buildings. Thurmont firemen employed booster streams to keep a milk cooling shed next to the barn at the other end from igniting. The fire trucks replenished their booster tanks from a farm pond about two miles away.

Volunteers with the Rocky Ridge Fire Co. remained on duty all night.



## Personals

Mrs. William A. Frailey and daughter, Miss Marjorie Crist, attended the wedding of Miss Barbara Van Devanter and Mr. Harold Pevey on Wednesday in the Bethesda Methodist Church, and afterwards the reception at the Van Devanter home in Woodhaven.

Charles L. Sharrer, A. W. McClellan, Frank Weant, and Roscoe Shindelacker were members of the Christmas decorating committee of Elias Ev. Lutheran Church.

Colonel and Mrs. Thomas J.

Frailey are dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Frailey on Christmas Day at Stonehurst.

Frederick J. Bower, son of Rev. and Mrs. Philip Bower, is spending a two-weeks' leave of absence here from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., where he is stationed in U. S. Army Finance School. Accompanying him on leave from the same station is an army buddy, "Pedro," native of Hawaii.

Dr. James Lansinger, Baltimore, visited his mother, Mrs. Tyson Lansinger, and his sister, Miss Louella Lansinger, W. Main St., over the week-end.

## OF A NUMBER OF THINGS

### Christmas Stories

Let me say at once that I have in mind along with this title only our English treasury of Christmas short stories, just one small division of this particular type of story that has been produced, chiefly in the last two centuries, through the Christian world (not to mention the great amount of other kinds of literature also directly or indirectly inspired by the recorded events of that wonderful First Christmas—Christmas plays and pageants and essays, for example, and especially Christmas poems, many of these written to be sung as carols or hymns).

But even within this small division of Christmas stories in English the assortment in the treasury is large and varied, as a story reader knows from his own experience and anyone can gather from a glance at such books as "Merry Christmas To You," a collection of stories for children taken from many preceding collections, which are listed, or "Christmas Literature Through the Centuries," a survey book for grown-ups that reports on many separate stories and collections. Many Christmas stories have been brought together in books like the one first noted (by different authors); some have been published separately as small books or along with other Christmas stories by one author; still others may be found among stories of many different kinds by one or a number of authors; but by far the largest number have been appearing for years as part of the miscellaneous material of December issues of magazines. And in these various forms the treasury will continue to increase, no doubt, as long as a Christian world continues to exist!

And now, general introductory notes being disposed of very generally indeed, I turn to some particular notes on a small group of Christmas stories that are especially outstanding in very different ways. Familiar stories, perhaps, all three, none of them recently written, but I feel that column readers will agree that good stories like other good things

that have their connection with the "keeping of Christmas" do not lose their interest when they are no longer new.

A Christmas Carol. It would seem impossible not to mention here the story that is undoubtedly the best known secular (if any Christmas story can properly be called that) Christmas story in the world, thanks, partly, in recent years to the annual Christmas Eve radio reading. And what a strange and wonderful story it is, so colorfully filled with the life of lower-and-middle-class Victorian England, in the midst of which it originated, so packed with feeling and imagination, so fantastic, so gruesome even, here and there, so melancholy, so gay too in scattered spots (like the scene of the Pezziwigs' Christmas party for the young apprentices), and then rising to such a climax of gaiety and genuine happiness at the end! Much of all this is perforce omitted in a public reading of the story or a screen version, but between whatever lines are there one can read Dickens' warm sympathy for the underprivileged, his deep concern over the indifference and hypocrisy and injustice that marred the society he knew, and his appreciation of the fineness of the practical Christmas spirit that not only keeps Christmas well but continues active through all the days of the year.

For of old Scrooge the author says with his inimitable gusto: "He became as good a friend, as good a master, and as good a man, as the good old city knew, or any other good old city, town, or borough in the good old world." Is it any wonder that we are fascinated to hear how in one night of dreams (and what astonishingly distinct and connected dreams they were!) this "old sinner—hard and sharp as flint, from which no steel had ever struck out generous fire; secret, and self-contained, and solitary—as an oyster" was thus transformed?

The Gift Of The Magi. No greater literary contrasts could be imagined than those between Dickens' story and this short, simple, unemotionally told episode, the only slightest resemblance being that it too concerns the humble people of a great city. This is the story of Della

and Jim, young married people very deeply in love, living in a cheap furnished apartment and trying to make out until Jim rates a raise, on his twenty dollars a week; the exact place does not matter but the time does, for it is the day before Christmas.

(To make any not-too-long story shorter is of course to lose something of the effectiveness of its appeal, but that is what must be done when the plot must be told and space is limited. Let me mention, tho, for those to whom the story may not be familiar that it can be found in the collection by O. Henry (Wm. S. Porter) entitled "The Four Million," New York's approximate four million ordinary citizens in the early part of our present century).

Neither Della nor Jim had been able to save any money for a gift to the other who each wanted so very much to give one. Then Della had an idea: she would sell her hair and buy Jim the watch fob on which her heart had long been set, the plain, elegant platinum one suitable to go with Jim's only valuable possession, the gold watch inherited from his father and grandfather. With only a little hesitation as she pictured herself without what was really her very beautiful hair (and this was early twentieth century, remember, when bobbed hair had no standing), Della carried out her intention and presently was excitedly waiting for Jim and then greeting him and presenting him the handsome fob. And Jim—after a look of shocked disbelief at Della's shorn head—Jim with a wry smile produced his gift for Della, explaining that he had sold the watch to buy her the beautiful tortoise-shell side-combs that seemed to belong in her hair. The gifts were now useless, but two young people had never been happier.

That is all, except for the author's comment, which may help to make the title clear; for after all there has been nothing here about magi. Della and Jim may not have been thought wise to sacrifice the two greatest treasures of their home, but really, "Of all who give and receive gifts, such as they are wisest . . . they are the magi."

The Other Wise Man. This story, written some years after "A Christmas Carol," in the latter 19th century, by another of our American (U. S. American) story writers, and also entirely different from Dickens', as from O. Henry's, combines realism based on long and painstaking research in works of ancient history and travel with the religious mysticism that one might expect in one of his calling, for Henry Van Dyke was a minister as well as a writer. The story, which takes us back at its beginning to the actual time of the First Christmas, is said by an authority to be one of the best-known Christmas stories in the English language. Perhaps all column readers know it too, and I must in any case deal with it even more briefly than with the others.

The idea of a Fourth Wise Man, a member of the Magi brotherhood of priests and scholars and physicians, who planned to join three of his brethren in another country of the East and journey with gifts to worship the long-foretold Christ Child, guided by a star—this idea came as a sudden inspiration to the writer, but, as I have said, the working out of the story called for much thought and study. It is the story of a man's repeated disappointment in a cherished hope, his devoted unselfish service to the helpless and needy, his final great reward. For Artaban, who sold all his possessions to purchase three rare jewels to carry to the Prince who was to come out of Israel, never was able to present his gifts or to see the Prince, as a babe or at any time

during the years that followed, when he became a pilgrim, still hoping to have his cherished wish fulfilled. Always some immediate and urgent demand for his help detained him and required that his jewels (the sapphire, the ruby, the pearl), be parted with in turn. And at last he lay dying in Jerusalem at the time of the Crucifixion, unable even then to see the Christ whom he had sought so long. But a look of supreme happiness was upon his face, for a voice more beautiful than any human voice was speaking to him: "Inasmuch as thou hast done it unto one of the least of these my brethren thou hast done it unto me. Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

A. E. H.



## Greetings

May Christmas and the New Year hold for you the blessings of health, happiness and prosperity...

**THOMPSON'S**

Carlisle Street

Gettysburg, Pa.

CATHERINE UTZ



May yours be a holiday overflowing with happiness and good cheer.

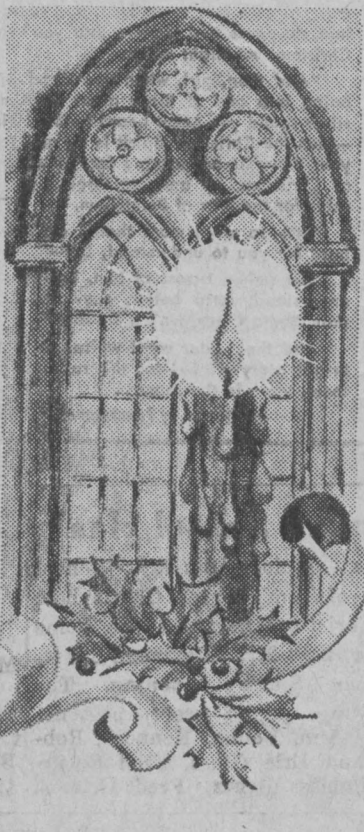
**IRELAN'S RESTAURANT**

Ann and Ralph

EMMITSBURG - MARYLAND

## Peace and Happiness for Christmas

May this Holy Season bring to our many friends all the rich blessings that will make for happiness and joy throughout the year.



**Francis X. Elder Post No. 121**

AMERICAN LEGION



May the Season's friendly cheer, Fill your heart with abounding joy To last throughout the coming New Year.

**MODERN MISS SHOP**

5 Chambersburg Street

Gettysburg, Pa.



**COFFMAN-FISHER DEPT. STORE**

LINCOLN SQUARE

GETTYSBURG, PA.



We wish you the brightest Christmas you ever enjoyed.



**PEOPLES DRUG STORE**

York Street

GETTYSBURG, PA.



## Greetings

As "it came upon a midnight clear," may the message of Peace and Good Will dwell in your heart at Christmas.

**MARK E. TRONE**

—Jeweler—

BALTIMORE STREET - HANOVER, PA.



## A Merry Christmas

This greeting goes to all our friends, With a special note of cheer — "We wish you joy on Christmas Day and happiness throughout the year."

**TOBEY'S**

13 Baltimore Street

Gettysburg, Pa.



**Season's Wishes**

It is our sincere wish that all the goodness of this glorious holiday may be yours to enjoy to the utmost. Merry Christmas!

**ORENDORFF'S Fruit Market**

**Merry CHRISTMAS**

All the blessings of the season to you and yours.

**EAST END GARAGE**  
EMMITSBURG MARYLAND

**Season's Best Wishes**  
The peace and happiness of Christmas belongs to you.

**Veterans of Foreign Wars**  
EMMITSBURG MARYLAND

**Season's Greetings to All**

May yours be a holiday overflowing with happiness and good cheer.

**JOHN W. WALTER**  
—FORMSTONE—  
EMMITSBURG MARYLAND

**P-E Plans Farmers Meeting For Jan. 21 In Hagerstown**

Herman Stockslager, president of the Four-State Farmer's Committee, has announced the schedule for the eighth annual Farmer's Meeting, planned this year for Jan. 21 in Hagerstown's Franklin Court Auditorium.

The meeting is scheduled to begin promptly at 9:25 a. m., with sessions running throughout the day until 3:30 p. m.

In making the announcement, President Stockslager stated, "This annual meeting has attracted many farm residents from over the four-state area and has proven to be one of the outstanding farm events held in this area. For the past seven years, large crowds have attended the meetings which have always been selected by farmer members of the committee for the four-state area farmers."

This year's program will be highlighted by the appearance of outstanding leaders in the field of agriculture from the University of Maryland, Penn State

University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, as well as an officer of the U. S. Social Security Administration.

Included on the program will be the following subjects: "Discussion of the 1954 Amendments to the Social Security Act" with special emphasis placed on the effects to the farmer and farm worker; "The 1955 Farm Market Outlook"; "Farm Management Problems for the Coming Year"; "Fitting Farm Machinery to the Size of the Farm"; and "How Many Months of Pasture Can We Get If We Plan For It?"

Mr. Wilbur S. King, director of Hagerstown Social Security Administration office, will cover the opening session of the program. Mr. King has been employed by the Federal government for the past 20 years and has been associated with Social Security work since 1936.

In his discussion, Mr. King will specifically cover how the new amendments apply to the farmer, the new method of reporting Social Security, and the effects on the farm worker.

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Welker, pastor.

Candlelight Services will be held at the Lutheran Church starting at 11 o'clock Friday.

A solemn high mass will be celebrated at St. Joseph's Catholic Church by Fr. John D. Sullivan, C. M., assisted by Fr. Thomas O'Connor, C. M., deacon, and Fr. Joseph Casl, C. M., subdeacon. Low masses will be at 7, 8:30 and 10 o'clock Saturday morning. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be given after the 10 o'clock Mass. No evening devotions.

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To find your dreams all gaily wrapped  
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When the last bow is tied,  
And the last train is on its track—  
May Joy with you abide!

Happy Christmas, everywhere!  
Dear Christ-Child, grant that we  
Who watch through the dark night, at last  
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From us to all of you!

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**FORMER PASTOR DIES**  
Word has been received of the death of Rev. Fr. Henry Conner, C.M., who was formerly pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church here about 16 years ago.

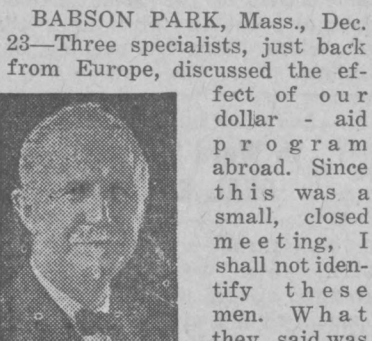
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hoffman, W. Main St., left by plane last Friday for Leesburg, Fla., to spend the Christmas holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Marion O'Kelly and family.

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**BABSON**

*Writes . . .*

By **ROGER W. BABSON**



**BABSON PARK, Mass., Dec. 23**—Three specialists, just back from Europe, discussed the effect of our dollar - aid program abroad. Since this was a small, closed meeting, I shall not identify these men. What they said was that the millions of dollars spent in Europe have not, as had been hoped, won very many of our European neighbors to our way of thinking.

**Why Aid Europeans?**  
The thinking behind our multi-billion-dollar aid program was that we could raise the living standards of Europeans by increasing their productivity. This means by showing them how to develop mass markets for their manufacturers. We hoped to win converts with refrigerators, shoes, radios, and many other items.

What we seem to have overlooked is the fundamental European desire for security. The American economy is dynamic. Competitiveness is inbred; risk-taking and venture capital are common denominators of our success. The European economy, on the other hand, is a static, protected economy. Production is stabilized; prices are controlled; the worker is protected; competition is discouraged; the common denominator is security. People are interested in working harder for security, but not in selling more units at less profit per unit.

**A Cynic's Reaction**

One cynic in the group said, "All right, then why do we try to force the American ways on Europe? These Europeans are happy; why should we unload a dose of American ulcers on them?" A comment from another went something like this, "Austria's productive capacity has been sharply increased since World War II. We were not concerned about them before the war; why should we be concerned now?" A reputable economist in the group raised another issue: "Europe knew it had a threat from the East, an enemy in Communist Russia. Might not Europeans now believe that they have two enemies seeking to infiltrate or absorb them—Russia and America?"

My own belief is that we must fight poor economics with good economics. We cannot hope to sell democracy to people who are economically enslaved by their institutions. If we do not act constructively, we shall lose Europe to Communism by default.

**Our Spiritual Value Below Par**  
I have a pet notion which I know will shock some of you, but think about it a while. Our dollar bill is a good measure of our spiritual values! A paper dollar isn't worth anything of itself; but, as a medium of exchange, it is a measure of values. It reflects such spiritual values as honesty, wisdom, courage, and integrity. From 1939 to 1953, the value of our dollar declined from 100 cents to about 55 cents. Does this decline in dollar value mirror our decline in character?

Dollar depreciation is largely a result of war. But why? Instead of paying as we went we were taught to borrow against the future. This could be perfectly O. K., because we owed nobody but ourselves. But it gave us the illusion of prosperity. It sidestepped self-sacrifice while increasing our national debt fivefold during these war years.

**Importance Of Sacrifice**

We have given young Americans the notion that they can charge their present happiness against some future date of accounting. We have developed the materialistic belief that money will buy everything, including the way Europeans think. The present value of the dollar reflects this belief. Perhaps it will take defeat in Europe to bring us to the realization that freedom cannot be bought with dollars without sacrifice. We should have learned that lesson 175 years ago.

The practical cure for Communism is not material, it is spiritual. It is not the amount of dollars you pour into a situation; it is the ideals. It is not security and pensions and comfort; it is ideals and ethics and character. It is those principles that make our dollar worth something. Right now our dollar is below par; I have faith, however, that as more Americans come to realize this great truth, we will put our own house in order. Then maybe what we have to say will make more sense to Europeans. We must practice and teach sacrifice.

**Color No Guide To Caliber Of Bear**

Nature thrill writers have at times tried to pep up their stories by claiming that their particularly villainous bear character was a cinnamon bear and not a black bear. They might with equal justice claim that a white pigeon had qualities superior to those of a blue pigeon. Cinnamon bears are simply color phases of the black bear. As David Newell aptly put it in his children's rhyme—

And black bear cubs, are brown, sometimes,  
A thing we can't explain rhymes;  
But anyway it's really true  
That brown bears are just black bears too.

Of course this does not apply to the Alaskan brown bear which is another species, but it does apply to the cinnamon bear.

Black bears are most successful animals. They have managed to maintain their existence across the continent in spite of man. They were originally found in most of North America except in eastern California, eastern Oregon, eastern Washington, Nevada and western Utah. There are 10 subspecies recognized but

the differences are minor except to zoologists. All are found in wooded areas and often more commonly near centers of human population.

A black bear is about six feet long and three feet high at the shoulder. The snout is long and usually lighter colored. There is usually a white throat patch. The tail is short. Bears walk flat-footed. Normally a black bear may show front foot tracks measuring three by four inches with five claw marks and hind foot tracks measuring four by seven inches also with five claw marks. In contrast to this a grizzly bear may make hind foot tracks measuring five by 12 inches. Black bears weigh up to 300 pounds; grizzlies to more than three times that amount.

Black bears mate for the season only, usually in June. The one to four young are born seven months later usually when the mother is in hibernation. The cubs weigh about half-pound each, are blind and practically helpless. They remain with the mother at least until fall. The mother commonly bears young every other year and may live to be about 25 years old.

The food of black bears is varied and includes almost any animal matter, living or dead. Vegetables and fruits are also popular in season and an individual may range over an area 30 miles across in maintaining its existence.

Normally black bears will not

Mrs. Euphemia Rotering, Miss Anna Rotering visited Tuesday with Mrs. Mae Welty, Longview Nursing Home, Manchester, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Stull and Mrs. George C. Naylor attended open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Haines of Westminster last Sunday in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

William Kincaid, a graduate of St. Joseph's High School and at present a student at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, visited at St. Joseph's High School last Tuesday.

The Victory Bell at Annapolis is rung only on the occasion of a Navy football victory over Army.

molest human beings but a wounded bear or a mother defending her young, or a starved bear seeking food, may be dangerously aggressive. They are not to be trusted and park visitors who attempt to feed them do so at their own risk. These bears are clowns and their cages or dens in zoos are invariably popular. Bear meat is edible, particularly if the animal has fed on fruits and berries. The fur has a durability 85 per cent that of the standard otter.

The National Wildlife Federation encourages a better understanding of bears for the good of man and of the bears.—E Laurence Palmer.

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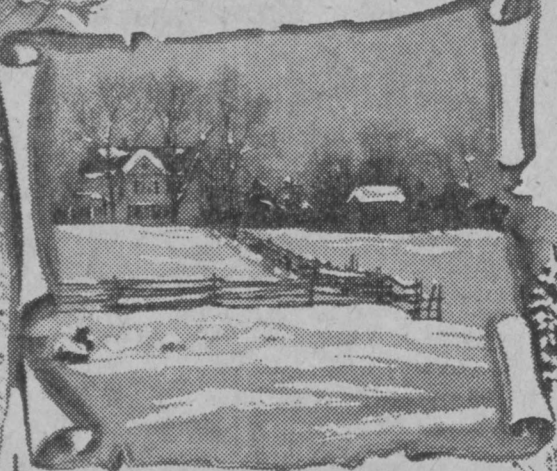
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**MARYLAND FARM FRONT**

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson recently announced the removal of two proposed special controls on the production of some crops in 1955: (1) cross-compliance requirements among individual crop acreage allotments; (2) limitations on the use of acres diverted from allotment crops to produce commercial vegetables, potatoes and sweet potatoes.

George J. Martin, chairman of the Maryland Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, points out that another production control was removed in September. This was the provision which would have limited the total acreage on larger farms.

"When the total-acreage-allotment provision was removed in September," Mr. Martin explains, "it was decided to retain the cross-compliance provision among the different allotment crops, and to plan a special limitation on the use of diverted acres to produce commercial vegetables and potatoes next year."

"Secretary Benson says these provisions have been removed because new developments have changed the basic situation. Mr. Benson's announcement emphasized the severe drought in widespread areas, and the necessity of rebuilding feed supplies in much of the South, the Southern Great Plains, and parts of the West."

The announcement also pointed out that when the 1955 farm program was originally planned, there was no definite assurance that rigid price supports would not be continued for next year's production. The new Agricultural Act, passed by Congress during the summer, provided price flexibility and was a big factor in the decision to remove controls."

Price supports for oats, barley, rye and grain sorghums produced in 1955 were announced on the same day Secretary Benson announced removal of cross-compliance requirements and limitations on the production of commercial vegetables and potatoes.

Supports for these crops will be at levels reflecting 70 per cent of the parity price, as of Nov. 15, 1954. The national average "dollars and cents" supports for 1955, reflecting 70 per cent of parity, are: oats, 61c per bushel for grade No. 3 or better; barley, 94c per bushel for grade No. 2 or better (except mixed barley); rye, \$1.18 per bushel for grade No. 2 or better; grain sorghums, \$1.78 per hundredweight for grade No. 2 or better (except mixed grain sorghums).



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## County Farmers Will Get Social Security January 1

About 2800 farm operators in Frederick County will come under coverage of the Federal social security system on Jan. 1, 1955. This series of articles is designed to answer, in a general

way, some of the many questions that farmers have about the social security program, such as who is covered, what must they do to obtain this insurance protection, what will it cost, and what benefits will be payable.

First, let's find out who is covered. Any farm operator, regardless of his age, who has net income from farming operations

during 1955 of \$400 or more will be covered as a self-employed person. Even if his net farm income is less than \$400 he may elect to be covered if his gross income is \$800 or more, provided he figures his income on a cash rather than an accrual basis. In figuring the amount of farm income it is important to note that income which a farm owner received as rental on land he owns is not counted for social security purposes.

Next, what must the farm operator who is covered do about it? He should begin keeping complete records of his farm income and expenses on Jan. 1, if he does not already do so. He should get a social security card sometime in 1955 if he does not already have one. To do this he may obtain an application for a card at any post office and mail it to the Hagerstown social security office. His social security number must be shown on his report of income which he files after the end of 1955. This report, which will be attached to the regular Federal income tax return, will be filed with the Director of Internal Revenue and accompanied by the social security tax payment amounting to three per cent of the income.

First reports for most farmers will be due early in 1956, covering earnings during 1955. How

long then must a farmer be covered before he can receive benefits? That depends on his age. If he is already 65 or older he needs only two years of coverage to become eligible to receive retirement benefits. For example: Let's say farmer Jones was 65 this year. He has never worked under social security. In 1955 and 1956 his net earnings from operating his farm are \$900 each year. He files his claim for retirement benefits in January 1957. His monthly benefits are payable retroactively back to April 1956. Farmers who reach 65 in the future will need more than two years of coverage, but 10 years is the most required in any case. For example: A farmer reaching age 65 in the first half of 1961 would need five years of coverage.

Eligibility for any amount of future benefits payable to farm operators and farm families depend on the farm operator's proper filing of reports of his income each year. Those farmers who do not make enough to have to pay income tax will still have to file a Federal income tax return in order to pay the social security tax. Failure to file the annual reports will mean that no

## Orioles Release 1955 Schedule

The Baltimore Orioles this week announced their complete home schedule for the 1955 season.

The re-vitalized Orioles, who have been given a tremendous face-lifting by their new general manager, the smooth-talking Paul Richards, will open the season at Washington on Monday, Apr. 11, returning to Baltimore for their local debut the following day. The Boston Red Sox will furnish the opposition, before what promises to be another sell-out opening day crowd.

Baltimore's home schedule calls for a total of 67 playing dates, the same number as last year, when the Birds were not rained out a single home opening. There are 10 double-headers on tap, including eight Sunday twin bills and two holidays (July 4 and Labor Day).

The schedule calls for 34 night games, five less than were listed in 1954.

benefits can be paid when the farmer retires or dies.

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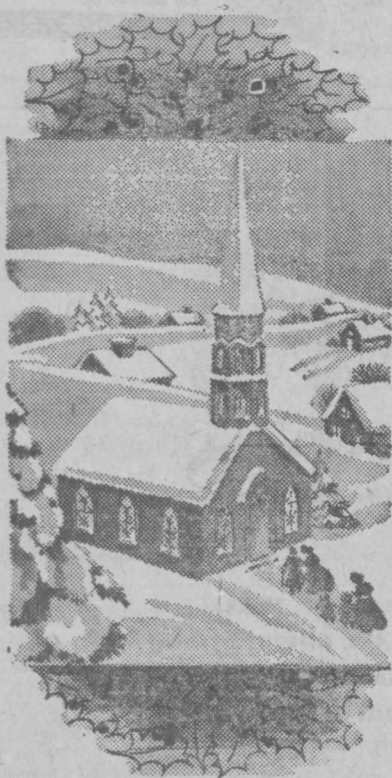
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### SON BORN

Mr. and Mrs. George Hopkins of Westminster, announce the birth of a son, Jeffrey David, on Dec. 16, at the Maryland Gen-

eral Hospital Baltimore. Mrs. Hopkins is the former Miss Mary Lou Muench, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Muench, Emmitsburg.



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**NO COMMENT**By **WALTER CHAMBLIN, Jr.**

It is putting it mildly to say that many Republicans and Southern Democrats were astounded by the statement of the Secretary of Labor, Mr. Mitchell, that state right-to-work laws "do more harm than good."

This group pointed out that the Secretary's position is contrary to President Eisenhower's announced intention to respect the sovereign rights of the states... and the Secretary obviously was ignoring the President's oft-repeated campaign pledges in this respect.

During the campaign Mr. Eisenhower emphatically said that he would "see that the legislative rights of the states and local communities are respected" and "we will not reach into the states and take away from them their powers and responsibility to serve their citizens."

Further, the Secretary of Labor, in opposing these state right-to-work laws, is superimposing his own judgment over that of the people of 17 individual states as to what is best for them in the field of labor-management relations... And also is challenging the judgment of more than two-thirds of the members of both Houses of Congress which passed the Taft-Hartley Act specifically authorizing the states to enact such laws if they chose to do so.

This Republican and Southern Democrat Capitol Group has al-

ways contended that employee-employer relations can best be handled at the local level... where the various parties are known to each other... rather than by Federal bureaucrats in Washington.

While the Secretary of Labor did not deny that the states have the right to enact such laws, he said he is opposed "categorically" to them... and thereby clearly implied that the influence of his office will be used to the utmost to break down the laws now existing in 17 states.

In the opinion of the Capitol Group, this would be a catastrophe... as it would impede the progress which has been made to restore employee-employer relationship to the local level and remove Federal jurisdiction. Mr. Mitchell did not submit any evidence to back up his claim that the state right-to-work laws "result in undesirable and unnecessary limitations on the working men and women and their employers in bargaining collectively."

Congress gave the states the right to enact such laws after listening to months of testimony that the laws would materially help to restore to the individual his basic right to decide for himself whether to join or not to join a union. This provision was put into the Taft-Hartley Act to counter-balance another provision of that act which allows the Union Shop, under which the right of the individual to determine whether or not he wishes to join the Union could frequently be abridged.

Further, Mr. Mitchell failed to explain his contention that these laws do not "create" jobs, and

that they impair collective bargaining and undermine Union security. To the Capitol Group this was all new thinking, as it was the first time that they had heard of labor laws as job-creating laws unless the laws were stretched to provide featherbedding... that is, creating jobs for which there is actually no need.

The Capitol Group also is of the opinion that the laws promote, rather than impede, collective bargaining by giving the individual the right to bargain for himself if he desires... And the only infringement that

**Trapping Season Opens January 1**

The state-wide season for taking muskrats, otter and mink will see upon Union Security was that right-to-work laws would restrict the security of Big Union bosses as virtual dictators.

Mr. Eisenhower quickly let it be known that the Secretary of Labor was speaking for himself and not the White House. If Mr. Mitchell pursues his announced objective, there will be a battle royal in Congress this winter.

open in Maryland, according to the Game and Inland Fish Commission, on Saturday, Jan. 1, and closes Mar. 15. However in the Counties of Garret, Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Howard and Montgomery there is an exception to the general law, and in these counties the season on muskrats and mink opened Dec. 15 and will run through Mar. 1.

All persons hunting or trapping fur bearers and game animals must possess the regular Maryland hunting license and tag, which latter, must be worn on the back. Written permission must be obtained to trap on land owned by another person. Tags for shipping furs out of the State may be obtained from game wardens.

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**EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE**

This is to give notice that the subscriber has obtained from the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, in Maryland, letters Testamentary on the estate of **ALICE LOUISE TANNEY** late of Frederick County, Maryland, 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 25th day of July, 1955 next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Those indebted to the deceased are desired to make immediate payment.

Given under my hand this 20th day of December, 1954.

Katherine Taney Silverson,  
Executrix  
Murray H. Fout,  
Agent and Attorney

True Copy Test:  
**HARRY D. RADCLIFF,**  
Register of Wills for Frederick County, Md. 12/24/6t

**EXECUTORS' NOTICE**

This is to give notice that the subscribers have obtained from the Orphans' Court of Frederick County, in Maryland, letters Testamentary on the estate of **LUCY LAWRENCE BOLLINGER** late of Frederick County, Maryland, 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 25th day of July, 1955 next; they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Those indebted to the deceased are desired to make immediate payment.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of December, 1954.

**MARY BOLLINGER BOYLE**  
**ALLEN BOLLINGER,**  
**RUTH BOLLINGER HAWK,**  
Executors

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**HARRY D. RADCLIFF,**  
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### SJHS News

Sister Margaret, head of the French department of St. Joseph College, was guest at an assembly held Tuesday afternoon in the auditorium.

Sister studied for her doctorate in French at the Sorbonne in Paris and brought several film

strips centered on Christmas and translated into English by members of the French Honor Society of St. Joseph College. One film strip provided an interesting story as to the origin of the Christmas tree. Several other films showed Christmas miracles.

Doors closed for the Christmas holidays at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 22. School will resume on Jan. 3.

Members of the SJHS Glee Club, singing the conventional Christmas carols of old, went caroling Tuesday evening. Approximately 20 students sang the songs bringing "peace on earth, to men of good will."

The monthly meeting of the CSMC was held Tuesday afternoon. Robert Gelwicks, president, reminded the students of the Mission Dance to be held Dec. 29 in the school auditorium with students from Westminster, Frederick, and Hagerstown Catholic High School mission units attending.

Students were asked to begin to make preparations for the annual Mission Bazaar which will

be held this year on Feb. 4.

As a culminating activity, students of the biology class made fingerprints in connection with the study of the skin. The students then classified their own prints.

Mary Jane Scott was judged the winner in the annual Royal Typewriter Contest for her essay on "What Christmas Means to Me." The contest was staged nation-wide with more than 16,000 entries from high school students.

#### St. Francis Defeats St. Joe's

St. Francis Preparatory of Spring Grove proved to be too much and too good for St. Joe's High of Emmitsburg. The men of St. Francis routed St. Joe's by a 71-42 score. This was St. Francis' third win in four games and St. Joe's first defeat in six tries. The outcome of this game probably surprised none, as St. Francis was generally acknowledged as being much too strong for the locals.

St. Francis scored 18 points in the first quarter while holding

St. Joe's to five. The men from Emmitsburg had been caught by surprise in the first period, but they reorganized their defenses quickly and scored 14 points in the second period. However, the Prep racked up 20 and the half-time score read 39-19, favor of Prep. In the third period St. Francis again scored 20 points while holding their opponents to 11. In the final quarter playing against the Prep's second string, St. Joe's made a desperate effort but they just did not have the height. With 13 points accumulated in the fourth quarter by St. Francis and 12 by St. Joe's, the tally at the final whistle stood at 71 for Prep on 30 field goals and 11 free throws. Emmitsburg accounted for 42 points on 17 field goals and eight free throws.

The Prep men were greatly aided by Max Schmeling, a 6-foot 8-inch center, high scorer with 20 points. High man for St. Joe's was Floyd Miller, with 14 who stands slightly under 5-feet 10 inches. It might interest the readers to know that the Prep's shortest man on their first string was taller than St. Joe's tallest man, 6-foot 2-inch Center Bill Greco.

### EHS News

Emmitsburg High School has been very fortunate in having Miss Anabelle Hartman to help rearrange and classify our library; and in having the Alumni present us with a new section of shelves for storing our books.

Miss Hartman very graciously went over the library incorporating new volumes added this fall, attempting to get together all books of one general classification, arranging other sets of books which had no definite place because they represented special groups.

Also removed were books of a miscellaneous nature, such as fiction, autobiographies, etc., and placed them in proper order. Jackets taken from new books were filed according to type so they might be used for exhibition purposes.

A list of suggestions for continued care of the library were left with the librarian, among them were these: books should be shelved when not in use; catalog cards should be given for all new books and books in bad condition should be either rebound or destroyed.

The teachers and members of the high school are truly grateful for this charitable act and wholeheartedly thank Miss Hartman for her generosity and untiring zeal in rearranging our library and also thank the Alumni for the new shelving.

### Your

### Personal

### Health

It wasn't going to happen this year. Remember? Your Christmas shopping, sewing, and baking were going to be so well planned that there would be no last minute rush. And where are you now?

How are you going to finish those aprons for the church bazaar? When will you find time to bake cookies for the children to give to their teachers? Weren't you going to applique some flowers on Sister's new skirt? And you haven't a gift for Father? Don't you envy Mrs. Jones who did all her shopping last summer, who has everything finished to the last elegant bow on her packages?

You don't really envy her, do you? For the next few days the house will be full of excitement, confusion and spicy smells. You'll have too much to do, but it will all get done. And you will probably be less tired at the end of it than Mrs. Jones who is now "resting up" for the ordeal of Christmas Day.

Hard to believe? Science tells us that we feel better after working hard than after resting. Resting can be very difficult indeed especially if you have to do it. Take a person suffering from tuberculosis, for instance. Rest is a basic part of the treatment for TB. Often, months in bed are required to give the diseased lung a chance to heal. Can you imagine what it would be like? You'd have to learn how to bear the tedium, how to keep your mind occupied so that worrying and fretting won't make you even sicker. Your body as well as your mind would resent the lack of activity. The skin, the digestive system, muscles, and blood circulation all suffer some bad effects from rest. New ways of treating TB are cutting down on the amount of time patients must spend in bed, but it is still a long ordeal.

Did you know that part of your Christmas Seal contributions to your tuberculosis association is spent to help TB patients get through the necessary period of rest with the least possible physical and mental suffering to help them bear the tedium so that

### Christmas Party Held

A Christmas party was given at the home of Miss Dian Shuff Saturday evening, Dec. 11 at 8 o'clock. Those attending were

they will stay in the hospital until they are completely cured? Those of us who have too much to do and the strength to do it during the Christmas season can be grateful for our good luck.

Mr. and Mrs. William Umbel, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wortz, Richard Wortz and friend, Petie Flax, Jeanne Troxell, Darlene Brewer, Warren McClell, Alfred Poole, Joe Williams and friends from Washington, Gus Adelsberger, George Kramer, Buzz Walters and Donald Joy.

Delightful and delicious refreshments were served. After the party, fun was enjoyed at the Big Dipper in Waynesboro.

Saint David is the patron saint of Wales.

START THE NEW YEAR OFF RIGHT  
BY ATTENDING OUR BIG

## NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

FUN FOR YOUNG AND OLD

FRIDAY, DEC. 31

8:30 'til ?

Music by LEESE TRIO

PUBLIC INVITED!

V. F. W. POST

EMMITSBURG, MD.

## GALA DANCE

Join in the fun, bring your friends. Enjoy entertainment right here at home and save money. Meet the gang here.

## NEW YEAR'S NIGHT

MUSIC BY  
THE RHYTHM KINGS

Dancing 8:45 'til ?

American Legion Home

Emmitsburg, Md.



## Greetings

From all of us  
to all of you—  
a Merry Holiday  
Season, filled to the  
brim with joys of  
the Yuletide.

## ANTHONY'S SHOE STORE

BALTIMORE STREET HANOVER, PA.



In harmony with this  
joyous season...we extend  
our best wishes for the  
happiest holiday ever.

## MENCHEY'S MUSIC STORE

YORK STREET

HANOVER, PA.

## Season's Greetings

AND ALL GOOD WISHES  
FOR THE  
New Year



## Gettysburg News & Sporting Goods

Chambersburg Street

Gettysburg, Pa.



Make merry, be happy,  
have fun for  
this is Holiday time!  
There's joy in the air,  
warmth in our hearts—  
and a very Merry  
Christmas on our lips.

## RUSSELL B. OHLER and SON

—Electrical Contractors—

EMMITSBURG

MARYLAND



## THE Season's Good Wishes

May all the good cheer and joys of  
this happy holiday season stay with you and  
your dear ones throughout the coming year.

## Leinhardt Bros.

in Hanover, Pa.

... FURNITURE ...



## Christmas WISHES

A wealth of health, happiness  
and contentment are our wishes for  
all our friends and  
neighbors on this most joyous holiday.

## HOUCK'S

Center Square

EMMITSBURG, MD.

## Merry Christmas



To All Our Friends and Customers  
During the Yuletide Season!

Extra Select OYSTERS pt. 89c  
Extra Select Oysters . gal. \$6.75

Standard OYSTERS pt. 79c  
Standard Oysters . gal. \$5.50

TANGERINES 2 doz. 35c

Box 80 GRAPEFRUIT \$3.29

Box 200 ORANGES \$4.50

Box 210 TANGERINES \$2.39

## C. G. FRAILEY

West Main Street

Phone 7-3831



## CLASSIFIED ADS

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE** — Double-breasted White Holland Turkeys. Alive or dressed. Apply  
E. J. SMITH, SR.  
Waynesboro Rd., Emmitsburg  
12/17/2p Phone HI. 7-4253

**FOR SALE** — Top Soil or Fill Dirt; will deliver.  
EDW. J. SMITH, JR.  
12/17/4t Phone HI. 7-4652

**PLAY SAFE!**—Have an extra set of keys made and be ready for any emergency! Can make any key while you wait!  
B. H. BOYLE

**FOR SALE**—Breakfast Set and four Chairs; Guncase, Rockers and straight chairs.  
ADAM BENNETT  
12/24/1p Iron Springs, Pa.

## NOTICES

**NOTICE** — For your complete Building Supplies see the Flohr Lumber Co., Blue Ridge Summit, Pa., phone 23, or A. W. McClellan, Emmitsburg, Md. Telephone Hillcrest 7-4284. tf

## SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

The Frederick County Board of Education will open sealed bids at 10 a. m., January 5, 1955 on the following school bus routes:  
(1) Myersville to Middletown.  
(2) Middletown-Jefferson Road and Quebec.  
(3) Mountandale to Lewis-town.  
(4) Rocky Ridge to Emmitsburg.

Each contractor to furnish his own bus. Specifications and detailed information may be secured at the school board office, 115 E. Church St., Frederick, Md. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
E. W. PRUITT,  
12/17/3ts Secretary

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this opportunity of expressing our profound gratitude to those kind friends who sent cards, flowers and expressed their sympathies, and for any other acts of kindness shown us during the recent bereavement of our beloved mother, Mrs. Lucy Bollinger.

## THE CHILDREN

**Notice Of Annual Stockholders Meeting**  
The regular annual meeting of the Stockholders of The Farmers State Bank, Emmitsburg, Md., will be held at the bank on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1955 at 1:00 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing Directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.  
GEORGE L. WILHIDE,  
12/24/4t Cashier

## NOTE OF THANKS

I wish to thank the members of the Vigilant Hose Co., Guardian Hose Co., and the Rocky Ridge Fire Co., for responding to the fire at my farm and also other friends who helped in any way to extinguish the fire and clean up the debris.  
ROY VALENTINE

## INDEPENDENCE SECURITY SURE INCOME

IF that's what you are looking for—but lack capital and experience—get full information on the Watkins Dealership available in nearby rural districts. You can have a steady, repeat business selling Watkins NATIONALLY ADVERTISED household and farm necessities. Income of \$5000 and more possible first year. Write: J. R. WATKINS CO., Box 367R, Dept. MU, Newark, N. J.  
12/24/2p

## WANTED

**WANTED**—A farmer to take a dealership with a major hybrid seed corn company. Write Box 58, Union Bridge, Md. 12/17/2t

**HELP WANTED** — Frederick County industry desires an agronomist, 27 to 35, for inside and outside work, typing very helpful. All benefits as expected from a good company. Apply in person to employment agency, Masonic Bldg., Frederick, Md., or in handwriting, giving references to, Emmitsburg Chronicle Box C. tf

## FOR RENT

**FOR RENT**—Furnished or unfurnished apartments. Apply Mrs. G. R. Elder, phone HI. 7-5511.

**APARTMENTS**, medium size; excellently located in Thurmont. Phone Hillcrest 7-3781. tf

**HELP WANTED**—Man for general dairy work with established dairy concern. Must have driver's license. Pleasant working conditions; start at \$45.00 per week with increase after first month. Apply  
CASTLE CHEESE CO.  
Hillcrest 7-3911,  
12/24/2t At Sixe's Bridge, Rt. 2

Delaware, the first state to join the union, ratified the Constitution on Dec. 7, 1787.

## Church Notes

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATH. CHURCH**  
Rev. John D. Sullivan, Pastor  
Sunday Masses at 7:00, 8:30 and High Mass at 10:00 a. m.  
Weekday Masses at 6:30 and 7:30 a. m.  
Baptisms every Sunday at 1:00 p. m.

**ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE**  
Rev. Vincent J. Tomalski, Pastor  
Masses Sunday at 7:30 and 9:30 a. m. Confessions Saturdays at 8:30 and 7:00 p. m.

**TOM'S CREEK METHODIST**  
Rev. Paul McCauley, Pastor  
Special Christmas program will be given Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

On Monday at 9:30 p. m. the Official Board and Helping Hand Society will hold a meeting.  
A Watch Night Service will be held Dec. 31 at Thurmont by the MYS.

**TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**  
Rev. Paul McCauley, Pastor  
Worship Service, 9:00 a. m.  
Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.  
On Tuesday evening the Junior and Senior Choir will hold rehearsals.  
A Watch Night Service will be held Dec. 31 at Thurmont by the MYS.

**REFORMED CHURCH**  
Rev. Edmund P. Welker, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.  
Worship Service, 10:30 a. m.  
Preparatory Service and installation of officers will be held at the 10:30 o'clock service.

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Gideon Galambos, Pastor  
Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.  
Worship Service, 11 a. m.

**EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Rev. Philip Bower, Pastor  
Children's program by the Sunday School at 9:15 a. m., and a pageant at 7 p. m.  
The Church Council will meet Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Choir rehearsals at 6:30, 7 and 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night.  
The annual Watch Night Service will be held New Year's Eve from 11 to 12 o'clock. The Holy Communion will be celebrated the first Sunday of the New Year at 10:30 a. m.

**JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES**  
At 7 p. m. Sunday, Bible lecture "Heaven, Hell and Resurrection" followed at 8:15 by a Bible study from the Watchtower magazine on "The Christian Warrior." Tuesday at 8 p. m., a Bible study from the aid, "New Heavens and a New Earth." Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Theocratic ministry school, followed at 8:30 by service meeting. True Christians today have the greatest fight of history on their hands. 2 Cor. 10:3-5.

Army Day is observed on April 6, the date the U. S. entered World War I, 1917.

Twenty-five per cent of the population of the South American republics is illiterate.

The famous Texas frontiersman, James Bowie, was inventor of the Bowie knife.

## STANLEY WARNER MAJESTIC GETTYSBURG

Thurs.-Sat. Dec. 23-25

## "CATTLE QUEEN OF MONTANA"

Barbara STANWYCK  
Ronald REAGAN  
In Technicolor

Friday Midnight  
Christmas Eve Party!  
"MURDERS IN THE RUE MORGUE"

Doors open 11:30-Show at 12

Sun.-Mon. Dec. 26-27

Two Encore Hits!  
"BATTLEGROUND"  
"ASPHALT JUNGLE"

Tues.-Wed. Dec. 28-29

"Crest of the Wave"  
Gene KELLY  
Jeff RICHARDS

Doors open 11:30-Show at 12

Sun.-Mon. Dec. 26-27

## "CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH and POCAHONTAS"

Pathe Color — Continuous Showings Xmas Day

Sun.-Mon. Dec. 26-27

Randolph SCOTT  
"Badman's Territory"  
with "Gabby" Hayes

Tues.-Wed. Dec. 28-29

Sonny TUFFS  
Victor JORY  
"CAT WOMEN OF THE MOON"

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## Personals

A/2c William C. MacKinzie returned to his base at Great Falls, Mont., after spending a 30-day furlough with his parents and his wife, the former Beulah Glass, Emmitsburg, who expects to join her husband sometime in the spring.

C. Felix Adams spent last week in Philadelphia, Pa., visiting his daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Overholtzer and husband and Mrs. Charles Harner and family. He accompanied home on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Newcomer and son who spent the week-end in Philadelphia at the Overholtzer and Harner homes.

Visitors at the home of Mr.

and Mrs. Raymond Baumgardner | Mrs. James Baumgardner and Jerry Hoskins and daughter, Sharyn, of Dundalk; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin of Baltimore; Edgar Grimes of Mt. Airy; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Boon of Taneytown; Dr. and Mrs. Chance of Towson; Dr. and Mrs. George Baumgardner of Baltimore and Mrs. Maurice Moser of Emmitsburg.

Donkeys are the only mode of transportation in Clovelly (Devon, England) high street.



## J. RALPH McDONNELL

—ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR—  
EMMITSBURG - - - MARYLAND

## Season's Greetings

May happiness and good health be yours throughout this Christmas season.

EMMITSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT  
Daniel J. Kaas, Chief

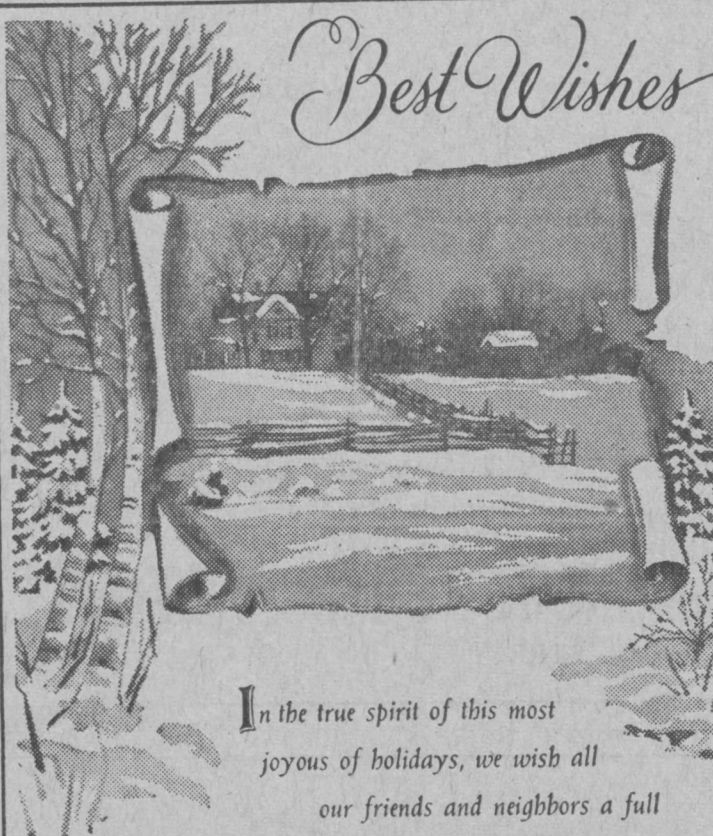
## OPERA HOUSE

FREDERICK, MD.  
Showing Friday - Xmas Eve  
Shows at 10 p. m. & Midnite

DEAN JERRY  
MARTIN LEWIS  
in HAL WALLIS' ROBERT  
"3 RING CIRCUS"  
PRESENTED THROUGH  
VISTAVISION  
A PARAMOUNT PICTURE

Showing thru Dec. 31

COMING HITS!  
"NO BUSINESS LIKE SHOW BUSINESS"  
"A STAR IS BORN"



In the true spirit of this most joyous of holidays, we wish all our friends and neighbors a full measure of happiness, health and prosperity.

## FIBERGLASS AWNING CO.

Mr. and Mrs. Fern R. Ohler  
EMMITSBURG - MARYLAND

## Greetings

May the joys of the Season and all its friendly cheer brighten your home at Christmas and abide with you all through the year...This is our warm Holiday wish for you and yours.



## WENTZ'S

"SERVING YOU SINCE '22"

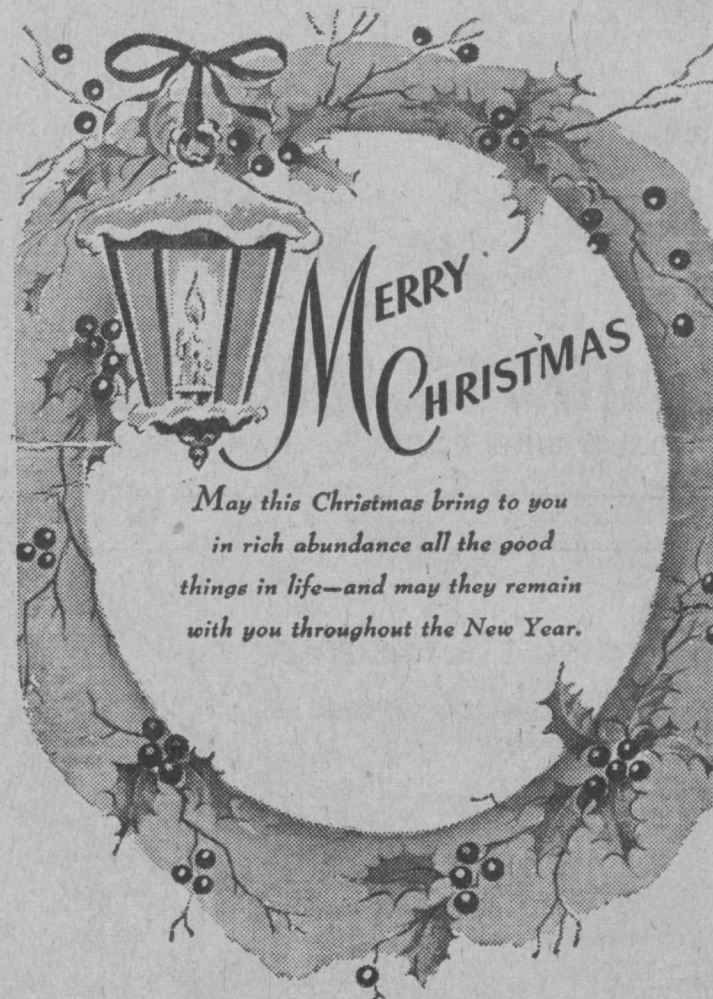
BALTIMORE STREET

GETTYSBURG, PA.



## Emmitsburg Recreation Center

C. A. HARNER  
EMMITSBURG - MARYLAND



May this Christmas bring to you in rich abundance all the good things in life—and may they remain with you throughout the New Year.

## Schmitt's Interior Decorations

JAY and CATHERINE SCHMITT

Lincoln Square

Gettysburg, Pa.

## CHRISTMAS

## Wishes

Here's a cheerful little earful of Christmas wishes for all our friends. May your homes and hearts abound with holiday warmth, happiness and good fellowship.

## ROSE-ANN SHOPPE

Baltimore Street

Gettysburg, Pa.