

Warmer today and Saturday, turning cooler by Sunday. Showers likely today and Saturday.

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## Most Anything At A Glance

BY ABIGAIL

With the Bi-centennial in the offing many residents are frantically searching their premises for some item significant or symbolic of the era. Old newspapers, pictures, relics, etc., are being turned up weekly but few of the owners will volunteer to let these priceless articles out of their possession. Old pictures are needed for special editions of brochures and newspapers, but very few have been proffered to date and the time is swiftly sliding by. In an effort to stimulate interest in the coming Bi-centennial, I am willing to devote space in this column or elsewhere in the Chronicle to old articles that are found, and of course, have authenticity, and will attempt to describe them to the public, however the information must be given as soon as possible so that as many as possible can be covered in time for the occasion. For example, this week I heard the story that a local lady is in possession of the original sign erected on the local telephone exchange quite a few decades back. There are many items such as these lodged in local homes and I feel that if they could be seen and written about it would enrich the history of the Bi-centennial quite a bit. If the owners are afraid of losing them they can bring them into the boss and he'll make notes concerning the item and pass them along to me for inclusion in the column. You can take the articles right back with you in just a few minutes, while you wait. There are a lot of old pictures about that could be written up and undoubtedly prove highly interesting. Engravings for these photos are a costly item so only a few can actually be published but we'll gladly devote space to putting the story over via words.

Speaking of early life in Emmitsburg, a lady was kind enough to bring into the office this week an original deed to a section of land here in town, dating back to 1793! Yes, the date is correct and the document is now 164 years old! Let me attempt to describe it to you, I know you'll be interested. The deed was recorded on April 13, 1793 and sells a plot of about 20,000 square feet of land in town to one Alexander and Henrietta Gettys and the seller of the tract is none other than William Emmitt, son of the founder, Samuel Emmitt. The land apparently was part of the estate of the founder and was a portion of the original Emmitt grant. Actually there is no purchase price on the document, but Mr. Gettys did place three pounds sterling hand money to make the deal binding.

I have no way of knowing just where this plot of ground was or where it is today, but here is a rough description of it: A back lot joining front lots except for an alley 10 feet beginning at a stone marker and running south 23 degrees, east 27 feet, south 17 degrees, west 300 feet, north 73 degrees, west 101 feet and containing 19,456 square feet. There seems to be some duplication of directions contained herein but perhaps a surveyor could enlighten us. All I know is what is recorded. The deed was witnessed, I believe, by two gentlemen, John Key and John Grimm. I could hardly discern the signatures of these two gents but I did come up with what I believe represented their signatures. Any of you folks remember anybody by those names who used to live here? Apparently the English influence and currency hadn't been done away with at that time as I note the hand money was in pounds sterling. And here's another bit of information that I bet you folks didn't know up until now. It used to be the custom here to pay ground rent on property purchased. The deed says that Alex Gettys had to pay ground rent to the tune of five shillings per year to Bill Emmitt—forever! I wonder when this system was abolished? Bring in your articles or items, ladies and gents, I can see they'll make interesting reading. One thing I'd like to know, where is this section of land and who owns it today? How's about a little assistance you older residents?

Mr. and Mrs. James Wivell and family accompanied by Miss Helen Wivell, visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wivell, Seven Valleys, Pa.

## Student Freed On Manslaughter Charge

A Mount St. Mary's College student, appealing a house of correction sentence for manslaughter in an auto accident in which two fellow students died, drew a directed verdict of not guilty on the manslaughter count this week in court at Frederick.

Chief Judge Patrick M. Schnauffer directed the acquittal after the completion of the state's case.

The defendant, Richard Donald Gardiner, 20, Bordentown, N. J., was convicted of reckless driving and ordered to pay a \$200 fine and the costs. The fine and costs were paid immediately.

Gardiner had been found guilty in a magistrate's court on the manslaughter count and on reckless driving. He was sentenced to six months in the house of correction and fined \$100 and costs by the magistrate. The conviction and sentence was appealed. The initial trial was held before Magistrate Charles D. Gillean in Emmitsburg in connection with the accident in which Edward Galen, 20, Philadelphia, Pa., and John Daley, 20, Englewood, N. J., were fatally hurt on Apr. 1.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Maryland Rt. 97 and the Tract Rd. about a mile west of Emmitsburg. Galen died two days later and Daley a week later in the Warner Hospital, Gettysburg. Gardiner also was badly hurt in the crash.

Dr. C. G. Crist, Adams County coroner, was a witness at the trial, as was State Trooper W. G. Morgan, who had investigated for the Maryland police. Msgr. John L. Sheridan, president of Mount St. Mary's College, and the vice president, Fr. William F. Culhane, appeared as character witnesses for Gardiner.

Granting a defense motion for a directed verdict at the conclusion of the testimony, the judge pointed out that manslaughter by automobile requires a wanton reckless disregard for human life. He said he did not feel such an intent had been proven.

Judge Schnauffer, in finding Gardiner guilty of reckless driving, said the testimony of the defendant indicated that for approximately a fifth of a mile before the crash occurred, he (Gardiner) knew something was wrong with the car and the Court felt something could have been done to avoid the accident.

The judge pointed out that a lot of the punishment in this case will be self-imposed—that the defendant knows what happened and has already suffered. It was just by chance, he remarked, that Gardiner was driving.

The defendant said he applied the power brakes but the car lurched forward. He let up on the brake, then tried it again but the car kept going ahead. He said the machine hit loose gravel and with a burst of speed shot across the intersection and crashed into a six-foot embankment. He made an effort to turn onto Maryland Rt. 97 but was unable to do so.

Gardiner testified that the brake and accelerator are very close together on the car. He could have had his foot on both, he said, or one of his companions sitting next to him could have had his foot on the accelerator while Gardiner was pushing on the brake.

In a statement given to Trooper Morgan, Gardiner said Daley had been driving earlier in the evening. He also said he had never driven the road before. Morgan testified that when he interviewed the defendant on the early morning after the accident at the hospital, Gardiner said he had six beers.

Morgan testified the Tract Rd. was in a "state of patching" and there was loose gravel in the area at the intersection. He said there were marks leading to the automobile which extended back for about 325 feet on the Tract Rd. These marks were white in color, he said, as if an object slid or had been dragged over the road, and were different from the ordinary black skid marks.

Edwin F. Nikirk, attorney for Gardiner, made a motion for a directed verdict at the conclusion of the State evidence and the Court reserved its findings until after defense testimony was produced. State's Attorney Samuel W. Barrick prosecuted.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wivell and son, spent Monday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rey Wivell.

## Ballyhoo Parade Draws Well

An estimated 400 persons turned out Saturday night to witness the Ballyhoo Parade held by the Bi-centennial Committee to advertise the event which will take place June 22-29. Committee members were heartened by the response of the public and believe a great deal of interest has been generated by the parade, as evidenced by the excellent turnout.

Forty of the Bi-centennial Belles were dressed in costumes of long ago and 50 members of the "Brothers of the Brush" appeared with full beards, goatees, mustaches, and similar hirsute adornment, plus high hats and derbies. Many also sported Bi-centennial neckties.

The "beards" and "belles" took part in a parade through the community last Saturday night led by the Francis X. Elder Post, American Legion marching unit, the Emmitsburg Municipal Band, Boy and Girl Scouts, and members and equipment of the Vigilant Hose Co. Several antique cars also took part in the parade.

Following the parade a program was held on the Square.

Wales Rightmour, Emmitsburg Town Commissioner, in top hat and with a mustache and beard as a member of the "Brothers of the Brush," sporting a Bi-centennial necktie, was master of ceremonies for the program.

The program opened with the National Anthem played by the Emmitsburg Municipal Band under the direction of Walter Simpson. The band played several other selections during the program.

Mrs. Helen Daugherty, general chairman for the Bi-centennial committee, outlined the general activities scheduled for June 22-29 and urged increased participation in the anniversary activities.

Ralph Irelan, chairman of the "Brothers of the Brush" announced 117 has been enrolled. Mrs. Kathryn Warthen, chairman of the Bi-centennial Belles reported that the 78th member of that group had been signed and urged increased participation by women in the activities of the Belles who will wear costumes "of long ago."

Other committee members spoke briefly in outlining the working of their committees in connection with the Bi-centennial.

## SENIOR PLAY WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday evening, May 29, the senior class of Emmitsburg High School will present its play entitled "Showdown at Sawtooth."

The cast is as follows: Slim Higginbotham, ex-desert rat, Cyrus Manahan; Ben Lawrence, George Eyster, Martha Ward, restaurant owner, Myra Hess; Elmir Mabey, maiden, Doris Ridenour; Lowell Cartwright, a hotel guest; David Kretz; Annie Little Pony, an Indian servant, Barbara Nail; Josiah Tuttle, David Umbel; Leroy Huggar, Velma Glass, and Leroy Cartwright, Alfred Hahn.

The setting for the play is the lobby of Slim's Place, a desert hotel near Old Sawtooth, one stormy night when anything might happen.

Donald McCauslin is the stage manager with Eugene Fisher as electrician, and assisting them will be Arvin Bollinger, Robert Glass, David Warthen, Robert Troxell, and Thomas Bushman.

Clarence Ancarrow is in charge of advertising.

## MOUNT STUDENT DIES SUDDENLY

James P. Bengal Jr., 23, Mount St. Mary's College sophomore, died suddenly Thursday morning at 2:35 o'clock at the Warner Hospital in Gettysburg. Autopsy reports said death was caused by acute fulminating glomerulonephritis, a kidney disease.

The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Bengal, Waterbury, Conn., and had served with the armed forces for two years before entering the college here two years ago.

Bengal entered the hospital on Wednesday evening and died several hours later. Funeral services are tentatively scheduled for Monday in Waterbury.

## WANNA BE A QUEEN?

Are you between the ages of 16 and 25? Would you like to be "Queen of Emmitsburg," and reign over the coming Bi-centennial celebration? If so enter the "Queen Contest." Honor, glory and valuable prizes may be yours. Come to the Bi-centennial Headquarters on Tuesday evening, May 28, at 7:30 o'clock and get the details.

## Tomorrow's Citizens



Another group of Tomorrow's Citizens whose pictures were taken recently under the auspices of the Emmitsburg Chronicle. Taken above, left to right: Dianne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fogle, Emmitsburg; Beverly, 4, and Phyllis, 5 mos., daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis, Center Square.

## Dr. Caulfield Will Be Speaker At Mount Commencement

Dr. Philip A. Caulfield, Washington, D. C., chief surgeon and head of the department of surgery at Providence Hospital, Wash., D. C., will deliver the address to the 107 graduates of Mount St. Mary's College at the 149th commencement exercises on June 5. The Most Rev. Francis P. Keough, Archbishop of Baltimore, will preside at the exercises.

A native of Johnstown, Pa., Dr. Caulfield completed his pre-medical studies at the Mount and was graduated from Georgetown Medical School in 1929. Following a surgery residence at Saint Vincent's Hospital in New York City, he returned to begin practice in Washington in 1933. In 1934 he was appointed clinical professor of surgery and professor of surgical anatomy. In 1950 he was appointed chief of staff at Providence Hospital. He also is senior attending surgeon at Georgetown and Children's Hospitals.

Active in civic organizations, Dr. Caulfield has served as president of the John Carroll Society, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick, Providence Hospital Alumni Association and the Georgetown Clinical Society. He is presently on the physicians' committee of the Blue Shield Medical Service. In 1955 he became a graduate member of Alpha Omega Alpha Honorary Medical Fraternity.

During World War II Dr. Caulfield was a consultant at Walter Reed Hospital. He is now consultant at the National Institute of Health. He is a member of the American College of Surgeons, the Medical Society of Washington, D. C., and the Washington Academy of Surgeons.

Dr. Caulfield will receive the honorary LL.D. from Mount St. Mary's at the commencement exercises together with Rev. Michael Gilloegy, Scranton, Pa., Rev. John Conroy, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., and Rev. Emmett Gallagher of Alexandria, Va.

## FATHER MURPHY AT GETTYSBURG

Rev. Neill J. Murphy, graduate of Mount St. Mary's Seminary and ordained to the priesthood last week, has been assigned to the assistant pastorate of St. Francis Xavier Church, Gettysburg, by Bishop George L. Leech, of the Harrisburg Diocese.

Rev. Albert J. Hoenninger, who has been assistant at the church for several months, will retire and reside at Villa Vianney, Lebanon, Pa.

## PROPERTY SOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosensteel sold to Mr. and Mrs. James A. McKenna Jr., a tract of about 35 acres and improvements in Emmitsburg District, consideration being around \$11,500.

## LITTLE LEAGUE MEETING

There will be a meeting of Little League officers and managers on Tuesday, May 28, at 8 p. m. in the Fire Hall.

## Colonel Galen Gough Is Commissioned To Paint Famous Pike's Peak

Not materially, of course, as Pike's Peak is the highest mountain in the nation and it would be quite a climb. Col. Galen Gough is to put it down on canvas, however, and it will be shown in art galleries in a New York exhibition.

Col. Gough has been a resident of Emmitsburg for about two years. His family has been invited to become residents of Colorado and a nice offer has been made him to reside in Colorado Springs, where he will pursue his art and writing career. A New York publisher has offered to publish his book and an agency in Hollywood a motion picture studio is interested in the production of his story.

During the past many months Col. Gough has sacrificed a great deal of working time to near the completion of the book and to facilitate matters to the satisfaction of his friends and business associates, Col. Gough expresses his gratitude for the kindness and faith in him by many of the Emmitsburg people, as well as in his home state.

Most recently a letter was received from the governor of his home state which reads as follows:

"To Whom It May Concern: Colonel Galen Gough is a native of Kentucky and one of our favorite sons. His record of achievements can be read in Mac-

## Small Girl Is Seriously Injured By Automobile

A little Emmitsburg girl was badly injured by an auto in Emmitsburg last Friday morning. She was three-year-old Deborah Gillespie, W. Main St., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gillespie. She was taken off the critical list at the Warner Hospital, Gettysburg, Monday.

The accident occurred on W. Main St., State Trooper William G. Morgan, who investigated the mishap, reported.

The young child was hit by a 1952 Kaiser driven by Wilbur Rentsel, 38, Fairfield Rt. 1.

Rentsel was driving east on Rt. 97 in Emmitsburg and the child darted out in front of him. Trooper Morgan said. She was taken to the hospital in the local police department cruiser, by Police Chief Daniel J. Kaas.

No damage was reported to Rentsel's auto. He was charged with reckless driving. Trial is set for May 25 at 10 a. m. in Emmitsburg.

The child was treated at the hospital after the accident for two broken legs, many lacerations and abrasions, and severe bruise burns of the skull, which was not fractured. She had improved enough Monday to be taken off the critical list.

## Group Discusses School Uniforms

A special meeting of the Mother Seton School P-TA was held last Friday evening in the school cafeteria.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the matter of uniforming the girls attending the school. As there were quite a few who were unable to attend the meeting, it was decided that each family would be sent a notice from the school which they will mark and return by mail, indicating whether or not they wish uniforms.

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## 'Brothers' And 'Belles' On TV

About 50 members of the "Brothers of the Brush" will journey to Baltimore this afternoon (Friday) to see the night baseball game between the Orioles and the Boston Red Sox. A full busload and several private vehicles will transport the bearded clan off to the city to combine business with pleasure, more or less.

The "Brothers" will be the guests of the Gunther Brewing Co. and will be taken for a tour of the company's brewery and fed before the ball game. It is highly possible that TV cameras will pick up the group during the game and many local citizens will be watching, hoping to get a glance at the bewhiskered gents. The "Brothers" feel this is an excellent opportunity to publicize the coming Bi-centennial and at the same time enjoy a baseball contest.

Ralph F. Irelan, general chairman of the "Brothers," announced this week that eight more men were enrolled during the week, bringing the total enrollment in the clan to 117. At the same time shaving permits were issued to eight gentlemen, as follows: V. L. Hartdagen, Francis Arnold, Louis F. Rosensteel, George Cool, Lewis A. Cool, Howard Fitz, Edward Lingg and H. Robert Gillean. Shaving permits are obtainable at Houck's Store and "Brother" cards at the Village Liquor Store. Ties, hats, bonnets, balloons, placards, bumper sings, etc., are available at Bi-centennial headquarters on the Square. The shaving permit group now totals 84. Latest additions to the "Brush" group are George Starnes, Chas. Copenhagen, Bailey Goss, Guy W. Ohler, Carroll Wills, Toss Shorb, Thomas Bollinger and Robert Wivell.

On Television Tuesday Night

A group of 10 "Brothers" and 10 "Belles" will appear on television next Tuesday night between 10:30-11 p. m., over a Baltimore station when the group will be the guest of the National Brewing Co., Baltimore at the wrestling matches held in the Coliseum, Baltimore.

The "Brothers of the Brush" will get another shot on TV Saturday night, June 15, when they will appear on the Jimmy Dean show from Washington.

Arthur Elder, publicity chairman of the Bi-centennial committee, announced that a series of two feature articles publicizing the event will appear shortly in the Baltimore Sun, the publication date to be announced so local citizens have ample opportunity to order their copies. Photographers from the paper will be in Emmitsburg in the near future to take some interesting shots of historical points of interest. Arrangements are being made with at least one radio station to cover part of the Bi-centennial parade and outstanding events.

## 'BELLES' NEARING 100 MARK

Emmitsburg's Bi-centennial Belles are rolling along with 78 charter members. If you haven't joined, and no one is "too old," why not give it a whirl. It's loads of fun. Don't wait until the last horn is blown, until the last old dress is safely tucked away, and miss out on all the excitement.

And speaking of old dresses, the Belles have been scurrying through attic and trunk in search of forgotten "period pieces."

Didn't the parade last Saturday evening bring back memories? Beards and bustles, taking one back to the days of wooden ships and iron men. Let's go gals, young and old, join the Bi-centennial Belles.

Members who are planning to tour Taneytown are asked to contact Mrs. Stouter at Bi-centennial headquarters on W. Main St., near the Square, so there will be sufficient transportation for the number of Belles making the trip. You are asked to be at the headquarters Saturday evening at 5:30 o'clock.

This week's new members are as follows: Mrs. Jane Orndorff, Mrs. Hazel Topper, Mrs. Ada Myers, Mrs. Mary Theresa Leonard, Mrs. Mary Bouey, Mrs. Rosalie Lingg, Miss Louella Bushman, Mrs. Catherine Shields, Mrs. Bernard F. Shields, Mrs. Carol Staub, Mrs. Joseph Kreitz, Mrs. Mary Betty Goulden, Mrs. Dorothy Pryor, Mrs. Guy Baker, Sr., Mrs. Stoner, Mrs. Mamie Starnes, Mrs. John Eyer, Mrs. Marian Boyle, Mrs. Mary Hoke, Mrs. Anne Marie Koontz, Mrs. Cathryn Topper, Mrs. Pauline Hall, Mrs. Catherine Fitez, Mrs. Elizabeth Fuss and Mrs. Barbara Hoffman O'Kellew.

Police estimate damage to the Moyer vehicle as \$500, \$300 to the Topper car, \$500 to the Bentz car, and \$50 to Fleagle's.

## Asks Support For Fire Company

Editor, Emmitsburg Chronicle: As chairman of the financial drive of the Vigilant Hose Co., I feel it my duty to report to the public on the progress of the drive.

The \$2,000 mark has just about been reached. This figure is two-thirds of our goal of \$3,000. If you have not yet sent in your donation please place it in the mail today. Remember, the Fire Company is for your protection and is one of the best equipped and trained companies in this area. You may think—why give? I've never had a fire in 20 years! What about tomorrow? When the sirens blow it could be your home! Think it over and send in your donation without delay.

J. E. HOECK

## Mount Will Graduate 107 Seniors

One hundred and seven seniors will receive degrees at the 149th commencement program at Mount St. Mary's College in the exercises opening on May 31. Dr. Philip A. Caulfield, Washington, D. C., will deliver the address to the graduates on June 5 and the Rev. Michael A. Gilloegy, pastor of St. John's Church, Scranton, Pa., will deliver the baccalaureate address on June 4.

Graduation activities will begin with ordinations in the college chapel on May 31 and June 1 with the Most Rev. Jerome D. Sebastian, auxiliary bishop of Baltimore, conducting the ordinations. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John L. Sheridan will celebrate the traditional requiem mass for deceased alumni, friends and benefactors of the college on June 4 at 8:30 a. m. in the college chapel.

The baccalaureate services will be held at 4:30 p. m. on June 4 in the college chapel and will be followed by the faculty buffet supper for graduates and their parents in Bradley Hall. At 6 p. m. the annual dinner meeting of the National Alumni Assn. will be held in McCaffrey Hall. The senior ball will take place at 9 p. m.

The Most Rev. Francis P. Keough, Archbishop of Baltimore will preside at the graduation exercises beginning with an academic procession at 10 a. m. Following the commencement exercises in Memorial Gymnasium at 10:30 a. m., the buffet luncheon for the graduates and their guests will be held in Bradley Hall.

The annual banquet of the National Alumni Assn. with Thomas P. O'Brien, president, in charge, will be held at 12:30 p. m. in McCaffrey Hall, at which time the new graduates will be received into the association.

Dean J. Sprague, Cadillac, Mich., president of the student council and a member of Delta Epsilon Sigma, National Catholic Honor Society, will deliver the valedictory address at the commencement exercises, and James T. Delaney, Chester, Pa., the salutatory address. Graduates of 10 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico are represented.

Honorary degrees will be presented at the graduation exercises to Dr. Caulfield, Father Gilloegy, Father John B. Conroy, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., and Father Emmett Gallagher of Alexandria, Va.

## Four Cars Involved In Sunday Traffic Mishap

Four cars were damaged last Sunday night as the result of one car sideswiping another and hitting several other cars. The mishap occurred at 10 o'clock Sunday evening in front of the Recreation Center on W. Main St.

Police Chief Daniel J. Kaas, who investigated the accident, said John Moyer, 40, East Freedom, Pa., was headed west on Main St. when his car crossed the center of the highway to the left and sideswiped a 1948 Dodge headed east and driven by Joseph Felix Topper, 27, Emmitsburg Rt. 2. The impact drove Moyer's vehicle back to the right side of the road where it rammed the rear of a parked 1953 Chevrolet owned by Brooke Bentz, Taneytown Rt. 2, pushing it about 20 feet into the rear of another parked car owned by Franklin M. Fleagle, 38, Thurmont.

Chief Kaas charged Moyer with reckless driving and he posted \$101.45 collateral for a hearing before Magistrate Charles D. Gillean Saturday morning. Moyer was uninjured in the mishap.

Police estimate damage to the Moyer vehicle as \$500, \$300 to the Topper car, \$500 to the Bentz car, and \$50 to Fleagle's.

## WILL SHOW FILM

A sound film will be projected by the Friend's Creek Church of God on Sunday, May 26, at 8 p. m. at the Blue Ridge Summit Fire Hall. Everyone is welcome and there is no admission.