



# EMMITSBURG CHRONICLE

"READ BY MOST EMMITSBURGIANS"

**Weekend Weather Forecast**  
Temperatures will average five degrees below normal. Warmer today and Saturday. Rain by Sunday.

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## Most Anything At A Glance

BY ABIGAIL

The "nice" vote accorded our local officials who ran for election to our Town Council Monday, was testamentary as to the way in which the present board has conducted the affairs of the town. Ninety citizens braved the deluge Monday to cast a complimentary vote for the candidates who were running without opposition. My congratulations to Mayor Frailey and Commissioner Bouey. The present Town Council has undertaken one of the largest, if not the largest projects, ever to take place in this 200-year-old town. The sewer project will provide adequate modern sewerage coverage for the entire town. The project has been carried out with the absolute minimum of delay, expense and inconvenience to the entire community. Rights-of-way have been obtained and bids are being asked. Federal and State monetary grants have been acquired and it looks pretty certain now that the project will be concluded sometime late this year or early next spring. In my opinion this whole affair has been well-managed and little confusion, if any, has resulted. I can remember some other towns where the same sort of business took place and plenty of trouble developed. Some property-owners refused to grant rights-of-way and voters refused to give the town officials authority to borrow the necessary capital. Not so in Emmitsburg. Nary a protest was heard and when it's all over soon, we'll have an asset to the town that we can well be proud of. I'm certain that the project will encourage more people to build locally and possibly induce others to apply for annexation.

A number of protests have been received since the recent registration for the town election. Chief among the complaints is the one concerning time of the registration which is set by Council. Quite a number were either sick, out of town or too busy to get to the registrar's office and thereby lost the opportunity to vote. A number feel that five hours once a year is not ample time to give the public an opportunity to get registered. They point out that the Courthouse is open the year around for other elections. They do not feel that this is necessary here but do feel a better system could be devised, perhaps a longer registration day, several days in which to register, or a monthly registration prior to town meetings, etc. I am not advocating any set policy for the Town Council to abide by but I do think it has something to mull over for a while and that perhaps a better system of registration could be devised. Too short a registering time seems to be the chief complaint of those who missed the deadline. In all fairness to the public though, I do feel that the registration time, from 2 to 7 p. m., is a bit short and could easily be remedied. And while we are at it, what would be wrong with persons who have resided here for six months voting? A number of other towns have this sort of rule. This undoubtedly would swell the voting number over the 500-mark. There is no reason why we should adhere to portions of the state election laws. We have the authority to make our own to some extent, right here, and to suit our own convenience, especially concerning elections.

Was glad to see another Emmitsburg man, Samuel C. Hays, enter the race for the House of Delegates. This gives us two candidates from our town who are seeking election to county offices. Perhaps this an indication that we are finally awakening to the fact that we can elect our own representatives to offices if we stick together. And I do mean the word "stick." It is highly possible that we can push these men over the hurdle if we solidify our ranks and back them wholeheartedly. We need local representation in county and state offices and can have that representation if we lay aside our petty jealousies and party affiliations after the primary and support these candidates.

### LACERATED FINGER

Dr. John J. Dillon, 42, Emmitsburg R2, was treated at the Warner Hospital last Friday evening for lacerations of the left ring and little fingers sustained from a lawn mower knife.

## Obituaries

### FRANK B. McCLEAF

Frank B. McCleaf, 63, Rouzerville, a native of Adams County Pa., died Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock of a coronary occlusion while working at his fruit stand on Rt. 16, Fairfield R1. He had suffered a severe heart attack five years ago which prevented him from working at his machinist trade. He had worked in York for 15 years.

Mr. McCleaf was born at Fairfield R1, a son of the late Andrew L. and Anna McIntyre McCleaf. He was graduated from Emmitsburg High School and a business college.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Hovis McCleaf, and the following children: Frank B., Robert H. and Mrs. Arnold Potter, of Rouzerville; John R., of Bowie; William E. of Highfield; and Thomas M. of Smithsburg.

The following brothers and sisters also survive; Mrs. Charles Shorb, Emmitsburg; Mrs. John Eyer, Gettysburg, RD.; Mrs. J. W. Kugler, Fairfield RD.; Arthur F., Waynesboro, and Donald McCleaf, Frederick.

### JAMES A. McCULLOUGH

James A. McCullough, 63, Lancaster, Pa., formerly of Carlisle, died last Monday in St. Joseph's Hospital, Lancaster.

Mr. McCullough was a son of the late James and Ellen Parker McCullough. He owned and operated the Lancaster Baking Co. for the last five years. Prior to that he was employed as a supervisor for Saylor's Bakery. He was a member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Edna Kerchoff McCullough; three daughters, Mrs. William C. Mowry, Mrs. John J. Houston and Miss Mary E. McCullough, all of Lancaster; three sons, Robert E. and William J., both of Lancaster, and Richard R. McCullough, U. S. Army in Germany; two brothers, Leonard P. McCullough, Carlisle, and Prof. Richard J. McCullough, Emmitsburg; a sister, Mrs. Cecelia Dougherty, Abbotstown, and 17 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held last Thursday in St. Anthony's Church, Rev. Louis S. Dougherty, a nephew, officiated. Burial was at Lancaster.

### MRS. CHARLES A. FLAGGS

Mrs. Philomena A. (Minnie) (nee Althoff) Flaggs, wife of Charles A. Flaggs, died Tuesday at her home in Pikesville, Md.

The deceased, besides her husband, is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Emily Dey, Pikesville, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Petty and Mrs. Carrie Kirk.

Funeral services were held this morning at 9:30 o'clock from the Newell Funeral Home, Reisterstown, followed by a requiem mass at St. Charles Catholic Church. Interment was made in Mount Olive Cemetery, Randallstown, Md.

## General Bicycle Inspection

A bike inspection for all cyclists of the community will be held at the Scout House tomorrow (Saturday) from 1:00 to 3:00 p. m. The activity will be under the supervision of the Explorers and they have full approval by the Chief of Police, Robert L. Koontz.

Along with making the bicycles and their drivers a credit to the community by the attributes of safety, those boys who have had their bicycles checked over and have had their names entered on the Explorer Inspection Log, will then be eligible to enter the Rodeo on May 24, starting at 1:00 p. m. Prizes will be given for various classes, and the support of everyone is desired. The registration fee will be a quarter.

Please back your Explorer Scouts with this inspection.

## Fire Co. Money Drive Progresses

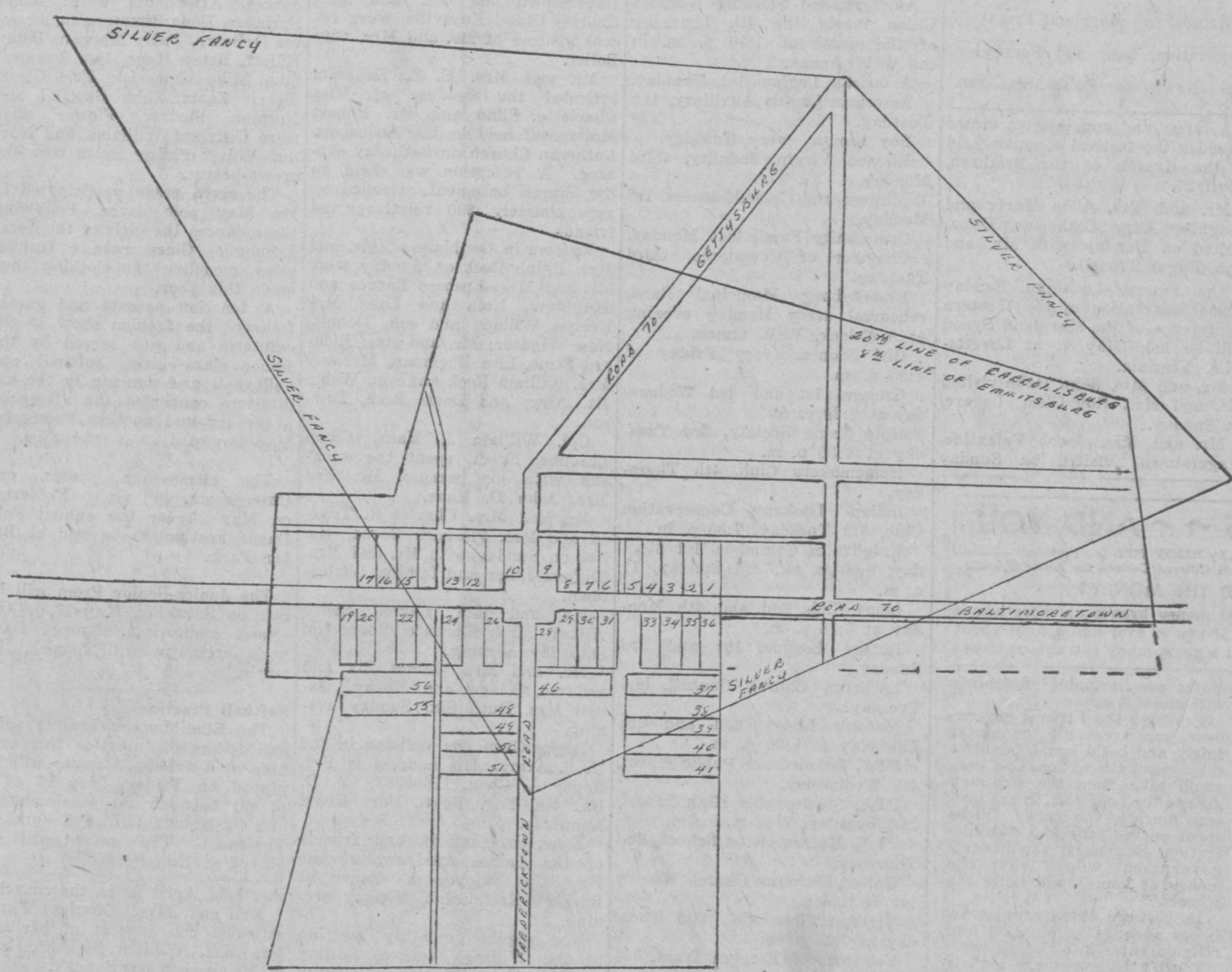
Guy R. McLaughlin, chairman of the Vigilant Hose Company's annual financial drive reports this week to date the drive was proving well ahead of last year's returns at this time. The drive's goal has been set at \$3000 and in previous years has been reached. The chairman wishes to thank those who have contributed so early and so generously and urges those who have not mailed in their contributions to do so at once. Door-to-door solicitations will be made in the near future in order to contact those who haven't as yet contributed.

### Daughter Born

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Joly, Emmitsburg, daughter, Wednesday.

Intelligent adults are kind to the children they meet in life.

## First Layout Of Town's Lots



Preceding the naming of the town of Emmitsburg, this area actually was two towns or villages overlapping each other. To the amazement of many, portions of the town were in Pennsylvania, later being re-surveyed and being declared in the State of Maryland.

The above map shows the first lots laid out and sold in Emmitsburg. Samuel Emmit reserved Lot No. 1 for his wife. This lot, designated by the above map, was nine doors from the Square on East Main Street.

Confusion has reigned since the town celebrated its Bi-centennial almost a year ago and a number of inaccuracies in dates have been turned up. This paper is grateful to Dr. Grace L. Tracey of Hampstead, Md., for her valuable research work which turned up many of these inaccuracies. The facts which she relates, are substantiated by court records and not hearsay, or old family letters. Dr. Tracey, in the interest of history and accuracy, has furnished the Chronicle the following information and supplied the illustration above.

Emmitsburg, Frederick County, Md., was laid out on a tract of land called "Carrollsburg," August 12, 1785. (Frederick County deeds, Liber WR 6 folio 82).

"Carrollsburg" (5000 acres), was surveyed for Charles, Daniel and Mary Carroll on Sept. 2,

1732 (a large part of "Carrollsburg" was in Pennsylvania—then believed to be Maryland).

On May 13, 1757, the Carrolls sold 2260 acres of "Carrollsburg" to Samuel Emmit (Frederick County deeds Liber F folio 237). The Carrolls sold the remaining acres of "Carrollsburg" to William Cochran (Frederick County deeds Liber F folio 239).

From Oct. 12, 1759 until Aug. 20, 1739, Samuel Emmit sold parts of "Carrollsburg" to Abraham Emmit, William Cochran, Sr., Henry Williams, Charles Robinson, Robert Flemming, William Shields, Samuel Carrick, William Emmit, Josiah Emmit and Abraham James Emmit. The 320 acres that Samuel Emmit sold to his youngest son, Abraham James Emmit, was the "old Emmit Plantation" located in the forks of Tom's Creek, Middle Creek and Flat Run (Frederick County deeds Liber WR 11 folio 708).

In his deed of Aug. 12, 1785 "for all that piece \* \* \* wherein the lots of a new town are laid out," Samuel Emmit reserved Lot No. 1 for his wife, Lot 17 for his son, Josiah, Lot 16 for his daughter, Mary, Lot 4 for his son, Abraham, Lot 10 for his grandson, William Porter and Lot 8 for his son, Abraham James Emmit.

On May 29, 1786, Samuel Emmit gave a second deed to Wil-

liam Emmit for the town of Emmitsburg in order to correct the survey lines of his deed made on Aug. 12, 1785 (Frederick County deeds Liber WR 6 folio 454).

On June 16, 1787, Samuel Emmit gave a deed to William Emmit in which he declared that he had "by indenture made 1785, made 35 acres of Carrollsburg for the use of a town which was then begun thereon \* \* \* did discover that there was not enough land \* \* \* did on May 29, 1786 \* \* \* 54 acres \* \* \* have again discovered that there is not fully enough \* \* \* now beginning at a marked stone at the southeastern corner of the first Lot in the said town near the great road leading to Baltimoretown and running on S 17 W 68 1/2, N 73 W 84 and the north side of the said road three quarters, N 31 E 55 and three quarters, N 73, W 14 1/2, N 17 E 33 and two thirds, S 73 E 21 1/4, N 31 E 52 to the end of 40 p. on the 20th line of Carrollsburg, then with the said line S 57 E 125, S 9 W 42, N 73 W 73 to the end of 13 and two third p. of the first line of the said piece (80 acres) (Liber WR 7 folio 348).

On December 1, 1785 William Emmit sold Lots of Emmitsburg: No. 2, Michael Row; 3, Samuel Caldwell; 5, Jacob Hockersmith; 6, Conrad Hockersmith; 7, Christian Smith; 8, Patrick Reed; 9,

John Whitmore; 12, Adam Hoffman; 13 and 15 to Charles Robinson (son); 19, Samuel Carrick; 20, David Kishner; 22, Michael Smith; 23, James Agnew; 24, Daniel Gordon; 26, Michael Hockersmith; 28, James Hughes; 29, David Tanner; 30, James Larkins; 31, Jacob Tanner; 33, John Lock; 34, John Webb; 35, Peter Krise; 36, Robert Wrench; 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, Adam Hoffman; 46, John Goring; 48, Margaret McDonald; 49, 50, 51, Samuel Blair (Frederick County deeds Liber WR 6 folio 268 through 284, folio 222-224, folio 219, 220, folio 233, 263, 273 and 318).

The lines of "Silver Fancy" overlapped those of Carrollsburg—deeds for Lots in Emmitsburg (in the year 1808) were given "as decided by the court to be called Silver Fancy."

## PRIZE WINNER

An Emmitsburg student, Julian Clark, Grade 9, St. Joseph's High School, received the honor of having one of her photographic entries being accepted for publication in the Catholic Miss of America publication, June edition.

The entry, "Poor Pup," brought Miss Clark, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Louis Clark, the magazine award.

The Catholic Miss of America is a nationally circulated magazine for junior and senior high school girls. Published monthly September through June by Publications for Catholic Youth, Minneapolis, Minnesota, The Catholic Miss of America has featured student writing and art work in its June issue for nine consecutive years.

## Gets Six Months On Larceny Charge

An Emmitsburg man, William Wetzel, 21, was sentenced to six months in the Maryland House of Correction at Jessup, Md., this week following extradition from Pennsylvania, on a charge of larceny of a sum of money allegedly stolen from the home of Charles Miller in 1957.

Wetzel was arrested by State Trooper William G. Morgan and charged with the larceny and was given a hearing before Magistrate Charles D. Gillelan who meted out the sentence.

Cpl Thomas Stoner, U. S. Marines, Philadelphia, visited over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stoner, Emmitsburg Gardens.

## Candidate



The second Emmitsburg man to file for office in the coming primary, May 20, Samuel C. Hays, entered the race last Friday. Mr. Hays will run on the Republican ticket and will be a candidate for the House of Delegates. Another Emmitsburg man, John A. O'Donoghue, already had filed for the office of Register of Wills, on the Democratic ticket.

## School Registration

Registration of all pre-school children for the Emmitsburg Public School will take place on May 12 starting at 1 p. m. The parents and children will meet with Miss Bussard, county health nurse; Arvin P. Jones, principal, and Mrs. Ana Leary, First Grade teacher. Children should be accompanied by parents, if possible, or another adult.

Advertising is not a necessity; you can quit business.

## K. OF C. BINGO SET FOR MAY 19

Another in a series of bingo games sponsored by Brute Council 1860, Knights of Columbus, will be held in St. Euphemia's Hall on Monday, May 19 beginning at 8 o'clock.

The committee in charge of the affair consists of Frank S. Topper, chairman, Francis S. Arnold, Everett Chrismer, William L. Topper and J. Laurence Orendorff. The committee reports an outstanding selection of prizes has been provided for the occasion, the prizes being donated by members of the Council.

These affairs have been steadily growing in popularity and a good attendance at this event is anticipated. A "coffee break" is planned during the evening for players to partake of refreshments. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Daughter Born

Dr. and Mrs. William H. Carr, Emmitsburg, R3, a daughter, born Tuesday at the Warner Hospital in Gettysburg.

## Benefit Bingo

A benefit bingo game will be held in the Fire Hall on Saturday evening, May 17, sponsored by the Emmitsburg Little League. A wide variety of prizes will be available and a door prize will be awarded. Play commences at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited and urged to attend. Proceeds of the affair will be used to finance the local Little League this year.

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"Silver Fancy" (100 acres), was surveyed for Daniel Dulany on Oct. 15, 1744 and was patented to his sons, Daniel and Walter, on Sept. 9, 1761. On March 16, 1763, the Dulany's contracted for its sale to Daniel Keith. On Feb. 7, 1787, Daniel Keith sold Silver Fancy to William Emmit—the deed was given by the heirs of Dulany who held the mortgage. The deed for Silver Fancy to William Emmit was dated March 9, 1798 (Frederick County deeds Liber WR 16 folio 377).

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## Baseball Activity Resumes Sunday

Action in the Pen-Mar Baseball League was rained out in all towns last Sunday and the games have been rescheduled for later in the season.

Play will be resumed this Sunday when six of the league's eight teams are scheduled to play. The Hanover at Blue Ridge Summit game will be played later in the season due to Hanover being unable to field a team during the first four weeks of the campaign due to Pennsylvania High School rules prohibiting the playing of high school boys until after their scholastic schedule has been completed.

Sunday's Contests  
EMMITSBURG at Cashtown.  
Littlestown at Fairfield.  
Union Bridge at Taneytown.

## IN GERMANY

Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Benschel, Emmitsburg, left Emmitsburg yesterday for a three months' visit with Mr. Benschel's parents in Germany near Frankfurt-On-the-Main.

Mr. Benschel recently passed his state examination as a real estate broker and upon his return will open a real estate office in Thurmont. The Benschels made the trip to Germany by plane and plan to return here on August 4.

Foods with waxpaper wrappings called for more than 800 million pounds of petroleum wax in 1956—about 80 per cent of the wax consumed last year in the U. S.

## C. G. Frailey, Allen Bouey Re-elected

Emmitsburg went to the polls Monday in light numbers for the annual Town Election. Out of a list of 480 qualified voters only 90 ventured to ballot, due mainly to the inclement weather. Interest was keen in the election but the torrential day-long downpour caused many to remain at home.

Clarence G. Frailey, incumbent mayor, received a 100% average of the total number of votes cast. Commissioner J. Allen Bouey, running for re-election, received all but one of the 90 votes cast. The vote was an indication of the appreciation and gratitude on the part of local citizens, for the exemplary work done by the two candidates who sought re-election. Judges of election were Charles D. Gillelan and Mrs. Ruth Eyer.

Following the close of the polls at 7 o'clock, the regular monthly meeting of the Town Council was held with the chairman of the board, Charles R. Fuss, presiding. The reports of the clerk and treasurer, Miss Louise Sebald, were presented and approved as reported. A donation of \$25 was authorized for the Emmitsburg Little League. Street Commissioner Charles Fuss reported that the town's alleys will be repaired in the near future and some will be repaved, as needed. The annual town clean-up was discussed but no date for the event was set. Usually this clean-up takes place around Memorial Day. Council agreed to have a broken section of highway on Federal Ave. in front of the Richard Sprankle property repaired as soon as the weather permits.

Most of the meeting was devoted to discussion of the plans for the new sewerage system which appears to be well under way. All rights-of-way have been acquired and the advertising of bids is now in progress. Following the conclusion of the advertising period and the opening of bids on May 26 the contract for the actual laying of the line and erection of a pumping station and disposal plant will be let to some qualified contractor and it is expected that actual work on the project will get under way sometime this summer. It is estimated that it will take about four miles of pipeline. The project will cost in the neighborhood of \$250,000. When completed the new system will provide complete sewage disposal for the entire town, including those areas newly-annexed.

Police Chief Robert L. Koontz, in his monthly report to the Town Fathers, reported \$30 in town ordinance violations, eight motor vehicle arrests and issued 14 warnings. In addition he reported that he investigated one accident, handled six complaints, received nine night calls, repaired 27 meters, made one ambulance run, directed traffic for one funeral, one fire call and washing the streets. He also reported that he picked up five juveniles under 13 years-of-age for breaking in a restaurant and attempting to break in again, tearing down a tent, stealing cigarettes out of delivery truck, also stealing umbrella, sunglasses, cigars, cigarettes and ringing door bells. He also gave a talk to the students at Mother Seton School on safety crossing streets, riding bikes and crossing at traffic lights.

## Awarded Trophy

John Adelsberger, son of Mrs. Adele Adelsberger and student at St. Joseph's High School, attended the Banquet at St. Maria Goretti's School in Hagerstown, recently.

John was awarded the Basketball Trophy for the best player on the team at St. Joseph's, by The Blue Ridge Catholic League. This is the second basketball trophy awarded John. He has also won two trophies in archery for Baltimore City, has won 13 medals in archery, and is a Life Scout.

## ELECTED PRESIDENT

Miss Mary Jane Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Scott, Villa Rest, Emmitsburg, was recently elected president of the Blessed Clet Mission unit at Saint Joseph College, Emmitsburg, for 1958-59. This organization helps finance volunteer lay apostles from the college and assists various missions.

Miss Scott, a junior, is working toward a bachelor of arts degree in English. She held the post of secretary of the Blessed Clet Mission unit this year.

Optimism is more important to business than cash is to buyers.

A hard task is eased by the application of immediate energy.

If you drink and drive you are not only thoughtless but selfish.