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The Weekend Weather Forecast
Somewhat warmer Friday and Saturday and cooler Sunday. Scattered showers Friday or Saturday.

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Most Anything At A Glance

BY ABIGAIL

The battle lines are drawn and a battle to the finish is promised as groups of citizens band together to defeat the move of the Frederick County Board of Education to move the senior public school to the confines of Thurmont. Citizens here feel they have been betrayed by the Board members as they promised sometime ago that if an amicable agreement on a site could be reached they would act in accord with the decision. After several years of meetings, several sites were inspected and approved for purchase by citizens from both Emmitsburg and Thurmont and they were recommended to the Board of Education. It was ultimately decided, at a meeting of Emmitsburg and Thurmont citizens in Creagerstown, just two short months ago, that a half-way site would be acceptable. This decision was unanimous among the 30 representatives there.

It was a severe shock to the residents of this community when it was learned last week that the Board of Education had ignored the decision of these groups who had worked years to solve the difficult problem. The Board voted 4 to 2 to locate the school in Thurmont and have asked the County Commissioners for \$30,000 to purchase 40 acres there. This decision by the Board which flouted the desires of the people of two communities, galvanized the citizens of Emmitsburg into action and the County Commissioners have been deluged with letters from organizations, business people and private individuals as well as community leaders.

We have a justified claim to retain and improve our school here. We were perfectly willing to acquiesce to the wishes of the people of Thurmont and meet them half way if necessary but to be completely ignored and kicked out into the cold by the Board of Education is more than can be tolerated by the people of Emmitsburg. As most of you know, Emmitsburg is the second largest voting district in Frederick County, second only to Frederick City, and as such we feel that we are entitled to our own local school, and rightfully so I say. In addition Emmitsburg has about two and a half million dollars of assessable property here for which we pour many thousands of dollars into the county treasury, and incidentally, the Board of Education reaps the lion's share of your tax dollar, 82%. Why then we ask, shouldn't we be entitled to our own school? Both Republicans and Democrats here have solidified their ranks and will work for not only the retention of our local school, but for an expanded curriculum and enlarged buildings. We are paying for it and feel justified in fighting for it. However sitting back and letting George do it will lead us nowhere. Every single one of us old enough to compose a letter should do so at once. This letter should be sent to the Frederick County Commissioners demanding your rights. In addition all those organizations, public officials, etc., that have not as yet let their desires be known, should do so immediately as the decision to act by the Commissioners may come in a matter of days. Our school is an integral part of our community folks and we should not let it be taken away from us by default. This is not a time for lethargy and apathy, it's time for ACTION.

WILLIAM KILCULLEN

William K. Kilcullen, brother of Rev. Thomas J. Kilcullen, J.C.D., vice president of Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, was stricken with a heart attack on Monday and passed away Tuesday morning, Oct. 8. The funeral mass will be said by Father Kilcullen at St. John's Church, Bergenfield, N. J., this morning at 11 a.m.

Mr. Kilcullen, a New York corporation executive, had been semi-retired because of an existing heart condition. He was preceded in death last year by his wife and leaves one daughter.

Grass Fire

The Vigilant Hose Company answered an alarm Sunday afternoon for a small grass fire in the property of Alfred Myers, Irish-town Rd. Little or no damage was reported.

President's Mother Receives Degree

A capacity crowd of approximately 1000 jammed De Paul Auditorium on St. Joseph College campus last Saturday afternoon to witness Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy, mother of President John F. Kennedy, receive an honorary LL.B. degree.

Also receiving honorary degrees were Archbishop Lawrence J. Shehan, Archbishop of Baltimore and Miss Sarah Christie, assistant superintendent of schools for New Jersey. At least a dozen Monsignori from various archdioceses were present on the stage with the degree recipients and college officials as well as members of the faculty.

Also seated on the platform were three Maryland state officials, Louis Goldstein, Comptroller, U. S. Senators J. Glenn Beall and Daniel Brewster, and Thomas W. Pangborn, advisor to Archbishop Shehan and former financial counselor and adviser to Archbishop Michael J. Curley. He was honored by St. Joseph College for his interest in education. A number of state senators were seated in the audience.

After receiving her degree the President's mother delivered the following short address to the audience:

It is a great privilege for me, and also a very real pleasure to be here today to participate in honoring Blessed Elizabeth Seton. Her life is a true inspiration to women who live in the world in our time since it shares so many elements with our own. Mother Seton grew to maturity in a very comfortable home; she traveled, she married, and she was the mother of five children. So often when we read the lives of the people who have been beatified or who have become saints, we find that they lived in a milieu which seems far away from our ordinary world. Many of them were secluded in convents, some of them were missionaries, most of them lived centuries ago. But today we are able to speak of the problems which all of us face daily, who mastered them, and who in the process gave us an unforgettable example of the place of prayer in our spiritual lives.

Possibly because her childhood was lonely on account of the early death of her mother, she felt a need early in life to turn to God and to confide in Him. And so even in her youth, regardless of childhood pleasures and distractions, she found time to pray, to meditate on God, and on her duties to her neighbor. The pattern begun so early continued in devotion to prayer and solicitude for the sick and the needy during her entire life.

In her middle years her husband died and Mrs. Seton suffered financial reverses making her largely dependent upon the kindness of her friends and relatives. Still she never lost courage nor did here faith falter; her care for the unfortunate grew more fervent and here prayers were multiplied. After a variety of changes and disappointments, she was able to establish an American Community of Religious women. With this dedicated group, she opened the first American day school of its kind from which the parochial schools of the country can be said to have their origin. How deeply all of us in American are indebted to her for the vision which became the parochial school system. We can only marvel at the manner in which it has expanded to its present number and brought benefits to so many millions of our children. What a remarkable achievement that was, and yet how many trials and tribulations Mother Seton encountered before her school and the Community were finally on firm ground. Uppermost in her mind and her heart was the belief that religious training was the most important part of the education of children.

It has never been possible for all children to enjoy the special advantages of the parochial school. When I was growing up, and even when my children were young,

there were only few parochial schools in the areas in which we lived. In these circumstances mothers and fathers were forced to assume much of the responsibility for the religious education of their children. When my children were young I remember how often used to take them for a walk or do some errands at the corner store and on the way home we would make a point to stop at church to pray. In this way the children would not think the church was some place where people went only on Sundays. As they grew older, we would discuss feast days, like Easter for instance, as they were usually at home together for the Easter holidays. Later on when they visited sacred shrines, as in the Holy Land, we would discuss these places and the events in our Lord's life. We regularly talked about the Gospel on Sundays at home, or some liturgical aspect of the Mass, and selected a child at random at Sunday dinner to describe what the Gospel was about and its meaning for him. In this way, I always felt interest was stimulated and religious events were brought into the area of our daily family living.

In their later lives, too, Blessed Elizabeth Seton continued to show constant solicitude for her children, advised them personally and by letter when she was away from home, and prayed incessantly. That surely is a lesson and an example from which we can profit. Too many feel that a mother's work is done when her children become adults. I always consider it part of my duty as a mother to keep in contact by letter or telephone with my children even though their interests keep them some distance from home. Sometimes it is a reminder that the First Friday of the month will be the Friday on which they are traveling. Sometimes it is to advise them that they are speaking too fast on the TV but I think it is the pleasant duty of a mother to advise—to encourage and to comfort her children be they far or near, young or old.

In my own particular life I have always been fortunate in having a father to advise our older children. In mature years I believe the steady hand and the experience of a father too is irreplaceable. When my children went out into the world, especially when the boys were choosing a career, when they were meeting other men, when they were encountering men's problems—in those moments a father's wisdom, counsel and advice were, I believe, all important. But Blessed Elizabeth Seton, we must remember, was deprived of that great advantage; she was widowed early. Mother Seton continued to work indefatigably for the children entrusted to her care in the school as well as for Sisters in the Community. Her instructions were simple and practical. She stressed efficiency in administration and pedagogy which were to be achieved through simplicity and directness of approach. She taught hard work as a means of salvation and perfection. And all was to be done with an open hand, warm heart and friendly smile.

In her later life though suffering severe physical pains she worked night and day to relieve illness in others and to comfort the stricken souls of those about her; she labored without complaining and then placed the outcome in the hands of God.

The life of Blessed Elizabeth Seton is full of those practical virtues that appeal to the American woman! All of us can find, as I have found, some problems in her life which parallel those of our own—and her solution of them can be a great inspiration to us. Sanctity, through Blessed Mother Seton, becomes an attainable thing, a state which we can acquire, if we be faithful as she was in our duties towards God and towards our neighbor. How proud we should be that the first truly American saint is at the same time a truly realistic model for American women.

Lutheran Women Plan Meeting

The First Fall Assembly of the Frederick District Lutheran Church Women will be held Wednesday, Oct. 16, at the Woodsboro Lutheran Church, Woodsboro, the Rev. Donald A. Haas, pastor.

The theme for the assembly will be "Changing Is Learning; Learning Is Changing" with the Scripture from Philippians 4:9. "What

you have learned and received and heard in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you."

Registration will begin at 4:45 p. m. and continue until 5:25 p. m. At 5:30 a Fellowship Dinner will be served. The evening session will begin at 6:45 p. m., conducted by Mrs. John L. Barnes, Burkittsville, chairman of the Frederick District and will feature worship, buzz sessions on problems, a brief business meeting and four workshops.

Community Show Starts Today

The Emmitsburg Community Show, sponsored annually by the Emmitsburg Grange, will be held in Emmitsburg High School this week on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 11 and 12.

Competition runs keen in this show as interested housewives and farmers compete for show honors and large turnouts are anticipated both nights. There are 17 different classifications open for competition and three prizes will be given in each division.

Exhibits to the show were entered as early as last night and will be accepted from 8 to 11:30 o'clock this morning. They may be removed after the show Saturday evening about 10 p.m.

Entertainment has been programmed for both Friday and Saturday nights. Friday night an interesting movie entitled "The Land Is the Lord's" will be projected and on Saturday night the Emmitsburg Municipal Band, under the direction of Walter A. Simpson, will present a musical concert. Director Simpson announces the following program:

March, "The Billboard," Klor; Overture, "The Bandman's Delight," Skaggs; Waltz, "Harvest Moon," Von Tilzer; Selection, "Martha," arr. by Hayes; Intermezzo, "The Gondolier," Powell; Caprice, "The Whistler and his Dog," Pryor; and March, "Under the Double Eagle," Wagner.

Father Grace K of C Chaplain

Grand Knight Lumen F. Norris presided over the regular meeting of Brute Council 1860, Knights of Columbus held Monday evening in the Council Home, 25 members in attendance.

The transfer of Rev. Robert S. Grace from Upper Marlboro Council was received and approved and Grand Knight Norris appointed him the Council's Chaplain. The group went on record as opposing the moving of the Emmitsburg Senior High School to Thurmont and will write a letter to the County Commissioners to that effect.

It was announced that due to a conflict with the Mother Seton School Bazaar on October 26, that the date for the annual Knight of the Year Banquet and Dance would be changed to Saturday, Nov. 9. The application of Larry Orendorf, Jr. for membership was approved. The Charity Ball will be held in Baltimore this Saturday and several cars of local Knights will attend the social function.

Hospital Report

Admitted
Mrs. C. Bruce Late, Rocky Ridge.

Miss Ora G. Miller, Emmitsburg.

Discharged
Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry E. Dinterman, Emmitsburg R1.

Mrs. James Sanders, Emmitsburg R2.

Births
Mr. and Mrs. Paul I. Wivell, Emmitsburg R2, daughter, Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul M. Carter, Emmitsburg, son, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Swartz, Emmitsburg R2, son, Monday.

Two Cars Demolished

At 1:15 a.m. Sunday, Tfc. Earl F. Tracey of the Maryland State Police investigated a one-car accident on Route 97 in Emmitsburg.

According to the report, Ronnie Stonesifer, R1, Emmitsburg, was traveling east on E. Main St. when he apparently fell asleep. His auto struck a parked car owned by Harry Hobbs, Emmitsburg, ran up an embankment and struck a metal utility pole, police said.

Stonesifer was reported in satisfactory condition at the Annie Warner Hospital, Gettysburg, suffering from lacerations of the face and internal injuries.

Rev. David W. Shaum, Ph.D., professor at Mount St. Mary's College, has returned to the campus after a period of convalescence following major surgery at St. Joseph's Hospital, Baltimore, earlier this fall.

Mrs. Thornton Rodgers and Mrs. Marie Rosensteel, have returned home from a trip through the New England States.

P. P. & K. Contest To Be Held Here Sunday

More than half a hundred Emmitsburg boys eagerly are awaiting the opening gun at 1:30 p.m. Sunday when the 1963 Emmitsburg Punt, Pass & Kick Competition gets under way.

The public is invited to watch the grade school entrants in contests of punting, passing and kicking (using a kicking tee) footballs at the competition site, Community Field. Boys 8-11 still can register Saturday at Sperry Ford Sales, Emmitsburg.

The Emmitsburg area competitors will be testing their football skills at the same time as thousands of other youths aged eight through 11 also will be competing in Punt, Pass & Kick Programs throughout the country. Scores of the winners in each local competition will be wired to the National Punt, Pass & Kick Headquarters, for comparison and determination of state and area winners. The winners in each age group in the 14 areas—the areas being set up in line with the television coverage of the 14 National Football League Teams—will compete during half-time celebrations at NFL games, and eight finalists will compete at the National Football League Championship game, after a trip to Washington, D. C., and to Dearborn, Michigan, where the Henry Ford Centennial is being commemorated. All-expense trips to the NFL games for area winners and their fathers and mothers, and all-expense trips to Washington and to Dearborn, and the NFL Championship for the finalists and their parents, will be provided by the Ford Division of Ford Motor Company, which co-sponsors Punt, Pass & Kick with the National Football League.

In Emmitsburg, as in all other local competitions, first prizes of Baltimore Colts warm-up jackets will be given winners in each of the five age groups, with football helmets and autographed footballs for second and third place winners.

"I'm sure we're going to have a great program," said Frank X. Ligorano, Competition Director.

Mr. Ligorano said members of his committee have been busy getting the Community Field competition site ready for the Sunday program. Competitors will punt, pass and kick (using a kicking tee) footballs. Scores will be determined by awarding a point for each foot of distance the ball travels on the fly, and by subtracting a point for each foot the ball lands to the left or right of the center line. Distances will be measured to the half-foot, and half points awarded or subtracted.

"Any ties among our boys will be played off at the end of the program," said Mr. Ligorano. "In case any of our winners are tied with other finalists in the state competition, we'll have a special play-off at a day to be announced."

Emmitsburg sponsors of the program are Sperry Ford Sales and the Emmitsburg Lions Club.

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Mrs. Ralph Irelan and Mrs. Fern Baker visited recently with Sylvia Ann Irelan, Lowell, Mass. Sylvia Ann is a medical technician at St. John's Hospital, there, and is the daughter of Mayor and Mrs. Ralph F. Irelan, Emmitsburg.

School Transfer Highly Possible

A final decision as to the location of a new North County Senior High School location is in the offing it is believed after several delegations met with the Frederick County Commissioners and the School Board recently.

After wrangling with the problem for the past five years it is believed a decision is near. The new school would accommodate students from both Emmitsburg and Thurmont. After learning that the School Board had voted 4-2 last week to locate the new school in Thurmont, residents of Emmitsburg were aroused and a delegation appeared before the County Commissioners Monday with a petition and about 40 letters from various influential individuals and businessmen, in an effort to block the action and decision of the Board to locate the school in Thurmont. Over the years several delegations have appeared before both the School Board and the County Commissioners. During the summer two groups of interested citizens from both the towns met at Creagerstown to discuss the situation and the choice of a site and it was unanimously agreed at the meeting to locate the new school halfway between the two towns. At that meeting, at which a member of the Board of Education was present, it was thought the matter was settled once and for all and the Board member was instructed to inform his group of the group's decision. It was with quite some surprise Emmitsburg learned when last week the Board of Education decided to disregard the wishes of the people of Emmitsburg and locate the school in Thurmont. Town officials, organization leaders and individuals plan to let the County Commissioners, who must appropriate the

necessary funds for a new school, hear their story.

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Mount Homecoming October 18-20

Rev. Carl J. Fives, Alumni Secretary at Mount Saint Mary's College, has announced that early reservations for the 1963 Annual Homecoming at the college indicate a large attendance for the weekend. The program will begin on Friday, October 18 and end on Sunday, October 20.

The Homecoming Committee this year was composed of Joseph Rosensteel, '37, Gettysburg, Pa.; Rev. Philip A. Barrett, '50, Troy, N. Y.; and Dean J. Sprague, '57, Cadillac, Mich. The program on Friday evening is planned for the Mountaineer priests who are unable to attend on Saturday because of parish duties. It will feature a President's Reception and a Seafood buffet.

Saturday's activities will begin with a Mass in the College Chapel at 8 o'clock. At 10:30, the national officers and chapter officers will hold a business meeting. Lunch will be served in the student cafeteria at noon.

In the afternoon the faculty wives will host the ladies at a tea and fashion show and the Mount Cross Country team will host eight teams in the first Mount Invitational Meet. Teams are coming from Gettysburg, West Chester, Albright, William and Mary, St. Francis, Richmond, Millersville, and Delaware Valley. The meet is scheduled for 1:30.

Also in the afternoon the annual meeting of the Alumni Association will be held with the installation of new officers. In the evening on Saturday the Alumni Dinner will be held at which time the DuBois Medal will be awarded. This is the third awarding and will go to Rt. Rev. Louis J. Mendelis, S.T.D., LL.D., pastor of St. Alphonsus Church, Baltimore, Md. Monsignor Mendelis was chosen as this year's recipient by the Medal Committee composed of Rt. Rev. James J. Casey, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Rt. Rev. John L. Sheridan, president emeritus; Charles M. Grace, New York City; John V. Morgan, New York City; and James Keely, Baltimore, Md.

Following the dinner a dance will be held with the orchestra of Maynard McKissick furnishing the music. Sunday will be devoted to religious exercises.

Fire Company Plans New Hall

President John J. Hollinger presided over the regular monthly meeting of the Vigilant Hose Co. held Tuesday evening in the Fire Hall, 22 members in attendance.

Fire Chief Sterling White reported four fire calls answered since the last meeting, three of which were grass fires and one automobile. The Chief reported that the warning sirens on North and South Seton Avenues had been repaired and were now operating, warning cars traveling north and south to stop and let the fire apparatus proceed safely.

Charles Hartdagen, chairman of the building committee, reported progress being made on plans for a new fire hall to be located on the site of the old Baldacchino property which has been razed.

The lot is adjacent to the present fire hall. Present plans call for the erection of a one-story building with a flat roof designed to be able to accommodate additional floors when desirable. A thank-you note from Daniel J. Kaas was read at the meeting.

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Homemakers To Prepare Gifts

Ten members attended the first fall meeting of the Emmitsburg Homemakers Club held September 26 at the home of Mrs. Luther Cregger.

Mrs. Charles Stouter, president, opened the meeting with a safety slogan. She announced that any member is welcome to help trim Christmas trees at Victor Cullen Hospital on Dec. 18. Also any one who would like to help fill Christmas stockings for the hospital should come to 118 West Church St., Frederick, on Dec. 12.

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