

Frederick County Backgrounds

Rev. Robert Smith Grier In the long history of Tom's Creek Presbyterian Church the pastorate of the Rev. Robert Smith Grier stands out as a landmark—not only in length of service but in progress. Rev. Grier kept "peace within the congregation" and worked for the welfare of all concerned. During his pastorate the old stone meeting house was abandoned and demolished and the new church within the bounds of Emmitsburg proper was built. This move took place in 1836.

When the Rev. Grier came to Tom's Creek Church in 1814, the event was not overlooked by the editors of the day—the "American Volunteer", published at Carlisle, Pa., wrote: "Ordination — On Wednesday last, Sept. 28, 1814, it was ordained in Emmitsburg, Md. over the congregations of Piney Creek and Tom's Creek, the Rev. Robert Smith Grier. He was the son of the late Nathan Grier of Brandywine. The ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. John Linn of Sherman's Valley. The Rev. Robert Cathcart, York, Pa., presided on the occasion and gave the charge."

Robert Smith Grier was the son of Rev. Nathan and Susannah (Smith) Grier and was born at Brandywine Manor, Chester County, Pa., May 11, 1790. He was of a notable family. His father was born in Bucks County, Pa., in 1760; graduated from the University of Pennsylvania; studied theology under his brother, Rev. James Grier. Nathan Grier was licensed by the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1786. He was ordained and installed as pastor of Forks of the Brandywine Church in 1787; he remained there until

his death which took place on March 31, 1814. Nathan Grier's brother, the Rev. James Grier, was born in Bucks County, Pa., and was converted early in life by Witfield. He was graduated from Princeton College in 1772. Ordained and installed over the Deep Run, Pa. Church in 1776. He remained there until his death on Nov. 19, 1791. The Rev. James Grier Breckenridge, grandson of Rev. James Grier, was a member of Piney Creek Church and entered the Presbyterian ministry in 1833. Both he and his wife died comparatively young and are buried in the Piney Creek churchyard.

Another son of the Rev. Nathan and Susannah (Smith) Grier was the Rev. John Nathan Caldwell Grier who was graduated from Dickinson College in 1809. He studied theology under his father and succeeded the latter as pastor of the home church (Forks of the Brandywine) in 1814. He was pastor there for over 50 years. He died Sept. 12, 1880.

It is interesting to note that the Rev. Robert Smith Grier became pastor of the Maryland congregations in the midst of the turmoil and fighting of the War of 1812-14. He was graduated from Dickinson College and the Princeton Theological Seminary. He continued the family tradition of "one charge" and Tom's Creek Church owes much to his fidelity and ability.

In addition to his ability as a churchman the Rev. Robert Smith Grier is held in high regard by antique devotees for the excellence of his artistry in wood carving. As a hobby he carved birds and animals in wood, using an ordinary pocket knife. In this art

he is now considered an equal to Bellamy of Kitty Point, Maine. It is known that the minister carved some 50 eagles — some of which have found a permanent home in collections of early folk art. Other carvings, which now could not be bought for any price, may be found in the homes of his descendants.

The Rev. Robert Smith Grier was a "much married man" having entered into that relation no less than three times. His first wife was Elizabeth Laverty and by her he became the father of two sons and three daughters. Susan Grier, the eldest daughter, became the wife of the Rev. Father John R. Marsden, rector of Christ Episcopal Church Huntington Township, Adams County, Pa. The graves of Father and Susan (Grier) Marsden are to be found in the old part of the Evergreen Cemetery, Gettysburg. Mary Grier never married and lived her entire life in Emmitsburg. Jane Grier died young and is buried in the family plot in Tom's Creek churchyard.

Elizabeth (Laverty) Grier died Sept. 25, 1830 and was buried in Tom's Creek graveyard.

In July, 1841, the following announcement appeared in the "Adams Centinel": "Married, Monday morning, July 26, 1841, at the Franklin House, Gettysburg, by the Rev. James C. Watson, the Rev. Robert S. Grier to Miss Jane Annan, both of Emmitsburg, Md."

Sarah Jane (Annan) Grier came of an old and established Frederick County family—long members of Tom's Creek congregation. By this second wife the Rev. Grier became the father of two children—a son and daughter, the former dying early in life while the daughter, Ann Margaret Grier, became the wife of Major O. A. Horner.

Rev. Grier's second wife died March 14, 1848—less than seven years after her marriage. She is buried in the Grier plot in Tom's Creek churchyard and the inscription from the marker at her grave contains the following wording: "In memory of/ Sarah Jane Grier/ wife of the Rev. R. S. Grier/ died March 14, 1848/ aged 37 years."

Rev. Grier's third venture into matrimony was to a member of the Stewart family. Margaret (Stewart) Grier outlived her husband by some thirty-seven years and when she died was interred in the Stewart plot in Tom's Creek graveyard. The inscription from her gravestone reads as follows:

"In memory of/ Mrs. Margaret B. Stewart/ wife of the Rev. R. S. Grier/ Born June 26, 1818 Died March 8, 1902."

There were no children born to the Rev. Grier's third marriage.

The notes on the Rev. Robert Smith Grier, his family, and "good works" will be continued in this series.

CYO Activities

Recently the CYO of St. Joseph's Parish has engaged itself in various activities. The members have gained new moderators and supervisors. You may have heard that college girls supervise at our weekly meetings. There are a lot who help regularly, but our favorites are Pat Hemler and Fran Boscia.

As for activities, Jan. 11 the group went to see the Ice Capades at the Civic Center in Baltimore. Also, early in January, the group had two swim parties at St. Joseph College.

Every week the CYO sponsors a guitar mass at 10 a.m. on Sunday. The most recent party was a coffeehouse held in St. Euphemia's Hall. The group is currently planning a Parent's Valentine Party, to be held on Sat., Feb. 15. It will be at St. Joseph's High School auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

Surprise Bridal Shower

A surprise bridal shower was held last Sunday evening in honor of Miss Wanda Hemler. Those present were: Irene Messner, Mrs. Raymond Lingg and Lydia, Debbie Lynn, Sandy Hemler and Barbara Hemler, Mrs. Ella Hemler, Mrs. Ruth Etheridge and Ann, Mrs. Josephine Kelz and Linda, Coenia Herring, Julia Wantz and Shirley Wantz, Mrs. Harold Wantz, Mrs. Harold Baker, Anna Grace Shorb, Gloria Maddox, Jeanne Haugh, Mrs. Norma Nusbbaum and Darlene, Doris Orendorff, Viola Hemler, Viola Topper, Mrs. Joe May, Mrs. Brooke Miller, Mrs. Roy Miller and Connie and Janet Miller, Karen Miller, Mrs. Francis Hemler, Susan Martins and Mrs. George E. Martins. Those who sent gifts but were not present were: Gloria Martin, Sherry Wortz, Mrs. Robert Wetzel, Mrs. Sam Cool, Nancy Porter, Diane Kelly, and Mrs. Lester Miller. Many lovely and useful gifts were received and refreshments were served.

The things you eat can have an effect on your heart. Your Heart Association says. Reducing the intake of cholesterol and saturated fat can be a step on the road to protecting your heart.

Blue Cross Offers Student Coverage

Spring semester enrollment for students who want special Blue Cross and Blue Shield coverage will be held throughout the month of February, the Maryland health care protection plans announced this week.

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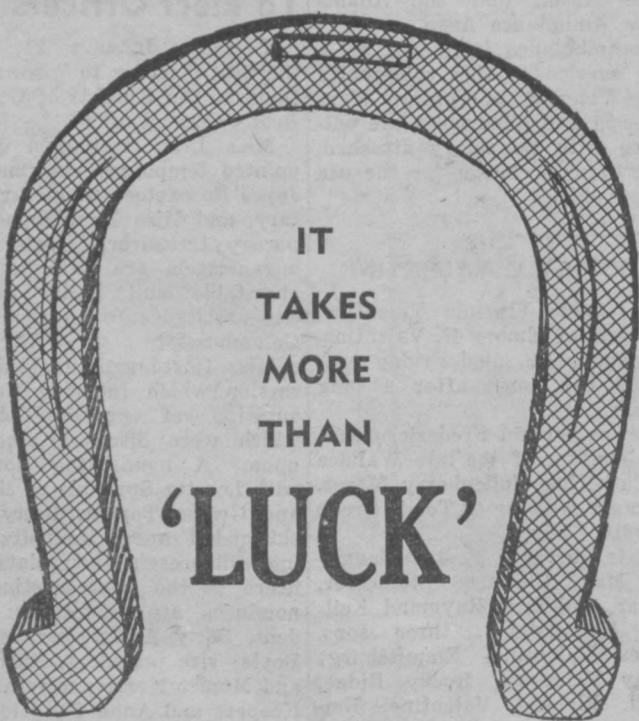
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Will The Giant Fall?

When the history of the 20th Century is written, five hundred years from now, when an unprejudiced historian has tracked down the whole truth about the historic events through which we are living today, the generations who read that history will be dumb-founded. The most incredible thing to be explained by the historians will be the attitude of the leaders of the so-called "West" towards the barbarism, the bloody pogroms, the colossal deceit, and

the growth to dominant world power of the Communists. The explanation will tax human comprehension and leave its readers with an enescapable wonder: "But Why?"

Beginning with Nikoli Lenin's leadership of a small band of revolutionary Bolshevik thugs in the Century's early years, to the violent overthrow of Czarist and then "Socialist" Russia, and on to their amazing gathering of world power, the Communists again and again have made the non-Communist nations of the world appear to be bereft of logical mental processes, barren of wisdom, courage and honor, devoid of moral principles, and helpless to utilize their almost limitless resources to save themselves. The so-called "West" and its 20th Century leadership must surely, in history, reflect such an image.

The Giant Is Infected
It is as if the "West" were a satiated, drowsy giant, grinning reproachingly while mosquitoes carrying a fatal plague swarm

up from nests below (which the Giant could destroy forever with one clomp of his foot) and drill their killing poison into the veins of his exposed forearm. He makes an ineffective slap with the other hand but drowsily says — "Oh, Heck!" — and relaxes back into a reluctant but passive co-existence with the pesty pests, though, in the half-asleep recesses of his mind, he knows the lethal nature of the pests and their poison.

To say that the giant may fall and die in putrid agony and that the mosquitoes may rule a world converted to one atheistic dictatorship is too fantastic for belief in the incredible period of history in which we now live. We had better believe that the giant may fall and the Communists, who began their flight to power as poison-bearing mosquitoes, may indeed triumph! Look at Vietnam, The Pueblo and Czechoslovakia (as recent incredibilities).

Mosquito May Win
VIETNAM: The United States with one of the mightiest striking forces on earth, and after suffering the loss of 30,000 soldiers and a toll of nearly 150,000 casualties, now is making significant concessions and virtually pleading on bended knee for a "truce" with a mosquito-size country with which it went to war. If, in the negotiations, the Communists are granted concessions leading to power in a "coalition" South Vietnam government, the little mosquito will have felled the giant; Ho Chi Minh will have won another decisive victory for international Communism. The war was begun by Communist Ho, agent of international Communism, to achieve political power in South Vietnam.

The American Bar Association commissioned two distinguished members of the School of International Relations of the University of Southern California to do a comprehensive study and documentation of the origin of the Vietnam war. Here is a pertinent paragraph from the resulting report: "Today's war in South Vietnam arose essentially out of Communist North Vietnam's frustration over the refusal of the southern Republic to die—either through internal collapse, subversion, or Communist-dominated all-Vietnam elections."

Wake Up, Giant
CZECHOSLOVAKIA: World Communism last August, acting again in arrogant disregard of UN as well as international "law" which the Soviets themselves had written, invaded another nation to impose with military power the "law" of World Communism. UN Document No. A/C.6/L.208, introduced by the Soviet delegation and adopted at the Fifth UN ses-

sion, says in part: "The following may not be used as justifications for attack: (d) any revolutionary or counter-revolutionary movement, civil war, disorder or strikes; (e) the establishment or maintenance in any State of any political, economic or social system." The UN was founded to protect nations against such attacks—to keep the peace. Yet the United States in its lip-service protestations of the second Soviet takeover of Czechoslovakia did not even mention the Soviet-written UN "law" which the USSR trampled upon when it invaded Czechoslovakia. Again the "West" had acquiesced in another decisive advance of World Communism. The poison-bearing mosquitoes, now grown to massive size, had again reached the lifeblood of the giant.

Neither of the more humiliating than the story of the Pueblo.

Can the giant be awakened to protect himself? The people

of America are the heart and mind of the giant. They, and only they, can answer the question.

farmers in attendance. It will begin at 9:30 a.m. and terminate at 3:30 p.m. Free lunch and door prizes will be provided by the sponsors.

The worst mistake a turkey hunter can make is calling too often. When you think a gobbler is interested, leave that caller alone.—Sports Afield.

Corn Clinic Scheduled

Robert Jones, Carroll County Extension Chairman, will be the master of ceremonies at the first annual Penn-Mar Corn Clinic to be held February 20 at Frock's Sunnybrook Farm in Westminster, Maryland.

Jones is a native of a Harford County dairy farm and he has been active in Carroll County extension work for 12 years and was named Carroll County extension chairman in 1964, the position which he currently holds.

Jones will introduce the six speakers representing Allis-Chalmers, Behlen Manufacturing Co., DeKalb AgResearch, Inc., Geigy and Kerr-McGee Chemical Corp. The Penn-Mar Corn Clinic is designed to bring the latest in corn cultural information to the

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England a few years back. Their modus operandi was to buy five or ten \$10 tickets on No. 1 in a race, the theory being that the figure "1" was easiest to change. Then by artful use of clover, nail polish remover, carefully mixed inks and counterfeit numeral dies, No. 1 became the number of the winning horse. On one occasion, however, they failed to notice that there were ten horses in the race. The winner proved to be No. 10 and they had no "0" die. On another occasion, after they had carefully obliterated the No. 1 on their tickets preparatory to applying the winning number, the winner proved to be No. 1. Their chagrin made them sloppy in the re-application of the numeral "1" and proved their undoing.



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Most of us do not see as well as we could if we were to have our eyes examined and wore the correction recommended by our eye doctors. We accept a world not quite clearly defined—mostly because we were not aware of gradually fading vision. It happens so slowly, we are not always aware of it. As we approach middle age, nature forces us to realize that our vision is not all we could desire it to be. It is then we take action and visit the eye doctor for an examination.

If we would only realize that eye examinations every six months could prevent blindness—sometimes our own blindness—I am sure it wouldn't be necessary to continue to remind the public.

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VIEW OF EARTH FROM MOON

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A series of photographs exposed at twenty-second intervals were the most valuable of the over 1000 taken during the six-day flight. Astrogeologists will use them for accurate mapping and investigative purposes.

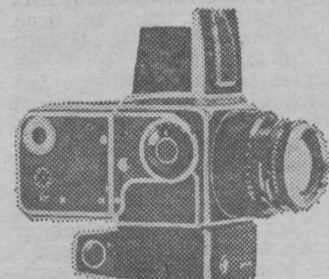
The Swedish-made camera NASA uses was automatically tripped by a programmed timer. The timer, drawing its power from the camera, opened the camera's shutter at the right times but the astronauts adjusted the opening manually instead of using a fixed setting as usual. During the sequence shooting, the astronauts used a twin camera for photographing possible landing sites.

Schirra's Mercury Sigma 7 craft flew on October 3, 1962. Hasselblad space models are like those made for professional and amateur use. The controls are larger for the astronauts' gloved hands and they are amodized against glare. They perform the same in space as they do on earth which is why NASA narrowed its choice to only the Hasselblad. NASA reports their flawless performance has already resulted in over 4000 photographs.

Still photographs brought back from the early flights were only considered added pluses but turned out to be of increasing importance. They have been used for studies from determining geological structures to rerouting commercial shipping. Now the Apollo 8 photographs will help land a man on the moon.

With the almost 500 photos taken during the sequence, astrogeologists have a sharp clear look at the moon's surface for the first time. Each photograph has a 50% to 60% overlap and are to be stereographically projected. In this way, the height (and depth of surface features) can be determined.

What makes the Apollo 8 photographs more exciting than any others is looking at the earth as a planet in its universe setting for the first time! Apollo 8's historic mission has given us all a chance to feel the way Columbus did discovering a new world. And to think, we are only on our way to discovering the universe!



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D.M.V. REPORT

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New Highway Safety Standards Issued
Three new Federal standards for State highway safety programs have been announced by

the Department of Transportation. They deal with Police Traffic Services, Pedestrian Safety, and Debris Hazard Control and Clean-up. The standards, developed by the Federal Highway Administration's National Highway Safety Bureau, represents goals the States are expected to reach in the future. They are in addition to 13 Stan-

dards issued by Secretary Boyd, June 27, 1967, to carry out provisions of the Highway Safety Act of 1966. The Act requires the States to develop "comprehensive safety programs" to be approved by the Secretary, and directs him to issue Federal standards to set minimum performance levels. Standards issued earlier apply to a wide range of highway safety areas including: periodic motor vehicle inspection, motor vehicle registration, motorcycle safety, driver education and licensing traffic courts, codes and laws, alcohol in relation to highway safety, traffic records, and emergency medical services, among others.

The Act also authorizes Federal matching grants to assist the States and their local communities in bringing their programs into conformity with the Federal standards. The Congress has authorized \$65 million for such grants in the current fiscal year. A total of some \$32.8 million had been obligated as of October 31, since the beginning of the program.

As in the case of the standards issued earlier, the three newest standards reflect extensive consultation between the Department, the States, local communities, interested organizations and individuals, and the Safety Advisory Committee.

The three new standards and their purposes are: POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES—Purpose of the standard is to reduce deaths and injuries by improving police traffic services in all aspects of accident prevention programs, police traffic supervision, and post crash procedures to aid crash victims. The goal of the standard was expressed in the House of Representatives report on the Highway Safety Act. It said, "A major element of traffic control is the police force, be it city, county, or State. Few, if any, jurisdictions have traffic police forces of adequate size and training. They must improve and expand; the policies and practices they enforce must be consistent, impartial, and uniformly applied to all street and highway users; and they must not be financially dependent upon a fee system..."

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY—The purpose of the Standard is to emphasize the need to recognize pedestrian safety as an integral constant, and important element in community planning and all aspects of highway transportation, and to insure a continuing program to improve pedestrian safety.

The Standard directs itself to such items as studies of motor vehicle-pedestrian accidents and causes, improving the protection of pedestrians through reduction of conflicts with vehicles by separating their pathways, familiar-

izing drivers with pedestrian problems and ways to avoid collisions, and training and educating the public as to safe pedestrian behavior.

DEBRIS HAZARD CONTROL AND CLEANUP—Purpose of the Standard is to provide for the assignment of official responsibilities and for planning, training, coordination, and communications necessary to assure prompt correction of hazardous conditions, and restoration of accident sites to a safe condition. The Standard calls for procedures to enable rescue and salvage equipment and personnel to get to the crash scene, extricate trapped persons from wreckage, warning approaching drivers and detouring them past hazardous wreckage or spillage or potential spillage of hazardous materials, and training rescue and salvage personnel in cleanup techniques.

Flying the flag at half-staff comes from the naval custom of lowering sails in salute or as a sign of distress.

Electricity Use Sets Record

Residential customers of The Potomac Edison Company, for the second consecutive year, increased their use of electricity in the home at a record-breaking pace.

Figures released by the utility company show that in 1968, the average residential customer increased the use of electricity by 552 kilowatt hours over the previous year. This is the largest year-to-year gain in the history of the company, according to officials. The previous high was 467 kilowatt hours, set in 1967.

The gain for 1968 brings the annual average use per customer to 6,797 kilowatt hours, which is well above the national average.

While the use of electricity went up, Potomac Edison reported another decline in the cost. The average cost per residential kilowatt hour last year was 2.15 cents, compared with 2.18 cents in 1967.

By operating districts, the following is the average kilowatt

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During the years that I have served as National Chairman of the Mothers' March on birth defects, I have visited many of the more than 100 March of Dimes birth defects centers throughout the nation. In this time, I have seen countless children helped by skilled medical professionals using the most modern techniques of care.

It is always touching—and sometimes even awesome—to see the courage with which these small victims of birth defects face the consequences of the physical or mental damage they suffer. Ultimately, however, one becomes angry about the sad, wasteful erosion of young life. Why, one asks over and over, must these tragedies happen? Why are a quarter of a million newborn babies denied the gift of normal health every year in the United States?

Anger is not enough to meet this challenge. It must spiral into an active protest that will become a nationwide force in the fight to prevent birth defects. We owe it to unborn generations to support those who are leading this fight.

Since 1958, following the successful conquest of epidemic polio, the March of Dimes has devoted itself to the long-neglected field of birth defects.

Looking back on that decision now, I realize that in a sense this move was a protest against the shameful apathy and inaction that enveloped the subject. Public ignorance was appalling, the result of a centuries-old attitude that birth defects were tragic inevitabilities, and there really wasn't much you could do to prevent these cruel acts of nature.

Yet within the past decade tremendous changes have oc-



ON THE MARCH. Ready, set and going strong are these members of the March of Dimes Mothers' March. They are typical of women protesting against birth defects throughout the country.

curred because of scientific gains in this field. Conditions once regarded as hopeless now are being treated so effectively by doctors and allied medical personnel that children all over the country are able to lead useful, productive lives. In some heartening instances, there have been cures. Most important, perhaps, is the growing realization that prevention of birth defects is a possibility.

Rh disease in the newborn caused by blood incompatibility between the developing baby and the mother, threatened some 40,000 infants annually. Today, a vaccine administered to an Rh negative woman after the birth of each Rh positive baby will protect future children from the ravages of this condition.

The German measles (rubella) vaccine is expected to be licensed this year. Its significance can be seen clearly in the wake of a German measles epidemic a few years

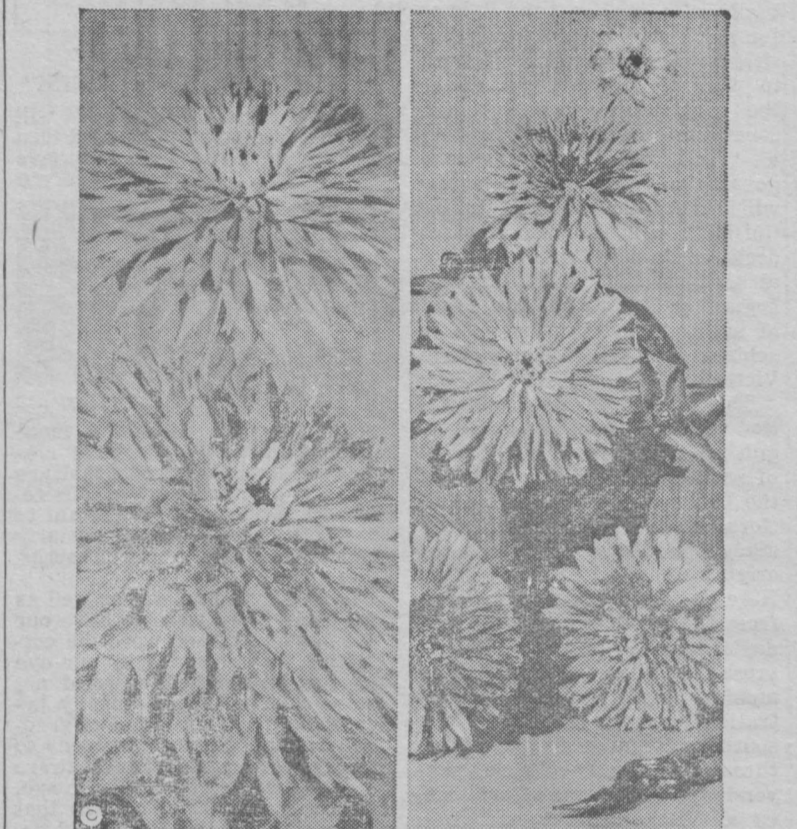
ago that caused tens of thousands of birth defects in this nation alone.

Thus it is in a new atmosphere of hope that mothers in cities, towns and rural areas will again march this January to raise more funds to support the treatment and research carried on through the March of Dimes.

From its inception, the March of Dimes fight against birth defects was a protest against shocking, lifelong damage to little children. Now, as we see significant advances in birth defects prevention, mothers have a far stronger reason to march in protest.

The March of Dimes is providing help, but the problem is enormous and needs the wholehearted backing of an aroused public. Never before has there been better reason to enlist support for scientists who are working toward the day when there will be fewer babies born with twisted bodies and crippled minds.

TWOSOME



Torch (left) and Rosy Future (right) are two newcomers to the roster of Zenith zinnia varieties. Torch has rich orange flowers; Rosy Future's blooms are bright rose-pink.

Two giant cactus flowered zinnias, Rosy Future and Torch are bronze medal winners for 1969 in the All-America Selections trials. Both are new members of that popular zinnia strain, Zenith. You may have grown some of their relatives: Firecracker, Princess, Bonanza or Yellow Zenith. If so, you know their performance in your garden.

The same mildew resistance, hybrid vigor, bushy plants about 2 1/2 feet high and profuse flowering over an exceptionally long time may be expected of the two new medalists.

The difference, of course, is in their flower colors. Torch is a rich orange, an improvement over Bonanza, which won a silver medal from All-America Selections a few years ago. Rosy Future has flowers of bright rose-pink. Both varieties have enormous blooms, 5 to 6 inches in width, as do the other Zenith zinnias.

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LEGISLATIVE REPORT from Annapolis

By State Senator Goodloe Byron
Monday Holidays
 In line with Federal Legislation passed in 1968 by the U. S. Congress to provide four additional Monday holidays annually, Senators Bertorelli and Hart and Delegates Dixon and Bonevagna have introduced substantially identical bills to provide such holidays in Maryland. The Legislation would establish in 1971 the observance of Washington's birthday on the 3rd Monday of February, Decoration Day on the last Monday in May, Columbus Day

on the 2nd Monday in October and Veterans Day on the 4th Monday in October. Observance of these nationally recognized holidays would, according to the sponsors, help to reduce peak automobile travel over the weekend periods. It would further provide an opportunity for family planning of at least five major weekend holiday periods a year (the Labor Day weekend was established several decades ago).
Maryland And The State-Local Tax Picture
 Although statistics are occa-

sionally misleading and may not be meaningful to the average citizen, a recent survey of the states from the point of the state and local tax burden should be of significance to the Maryland taxpayer. While the average American paid \$410.00 in taxes to state and local governments in 1967, the New York resident topped the list of fifty states at \$458.00. Residents of California and Hawaii paid \$415.00 and \$407.00, respectively, while the lowest four states—Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi and South Carolina—had per capita tax burdens of under \$200.00. Interestingly enough, the Maryland citizen paid an average of \$325.00 in state and local taxes in 1967, which was higher by \$37.00 than state and local tax payments per capita in 1966.
 As a result, both New York and California led the list of states in collecting \$8.39 billion and \$7.9 billion, respectively, while Maryland was among eleven other states with revenues of over 1 billion dollars each.

Scout To Attend Art Workshop

Miss Joanne Lynne Curry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Curry of Thurmont, was chosen by the Girl Scout Council of Central Maryland to attend a Visual Arts Workshop at Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas. The event is sponsored by the Central Kansas Council of Girl Scouts and will be held June 16 thru 28, 1969.
 Miss Curry applied for a Canadian "In Travel" project and was selected by the council as first alternate. She later applied for the Visual Arts Workshop. Besides being an "all around" good scout, she is particularly interested in experimenting with

various art mediums. She feels that her attendance at the Graphic Arts Workshop at Bell Manor in June 1968, offered by the Central Maryland Council, helped her to qualify for the event to be held in Kansas.
 The Visual Arts Workshop will be conducted by artists and craftsmen, giving participants an opportunity to explore Swedish folk art and customs, as well as art appreciation and product development in depth. The group will tour artists' studios, art galleries, and historical sites.
 Miss Curry has been preparing herself for the event by study

and dabbling in the arts. She will also be selling block print stationery to help finance her trip.

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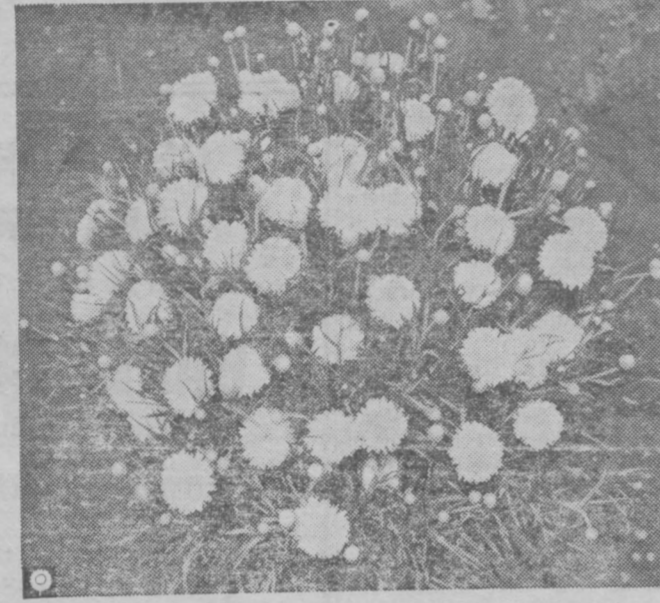
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WHITE AS SNOW



Round as a ball is the little bush of a plant and round as a ball are the white flowers. So, what better name than Snow Ball for this new centaura (or cornflower or bachelor's button)? Plant it alone or with blue-flowered Jubilee Gem.

At long last there's a dwarf, white, double-flowered cornflower to complement the dwarf, blue-flowered variety, Jubilee Gem. The new arrival is appropriately called Snow Ball, since the plants are almost as rounded in form as are the individual blossoms.

Because of its form and floriferousness, its heat and disease resistance, it is a 1969 bronze medal winner in the All-America Selections trials.

For 2 years it has been grown side by side with similar varieties already on the market in locations with varied climates: in Canada, across the United States and in Mexico. It has proven itself superior to these varieties in the ways mentioned above.

This centaura (or bachelor's button or cornflower) grows only 12 to 16 inches tall. The leaves are silvery-green; the plants well branched.

Flowers appear early in the season, are 1½ inches in diameter and are evenly distributed over the entire plant. Thus Snow Ball, alone or with its blue-flowered companion Jubilee Gem, is a perfect choice to "face-down" taller annual flowers or seeds may be sown in a row so the resulting plants form a border.

Buy the seeds as soon as you can for this is one annual that can be planted whenever the soil is workable. Even in the North the seeds or seedlings will prove quite hardy. Both will survive winter temperatures down to 10 degrees below zero.

OUR LIBRARY

The library has added many new and interesting books in the past few days. Among them is Jim Bishop's "The Day Kennedy Was Shot." More than four years were spent researching this book. Jim Bishop read 16,500,000 words from 92 different sources, and interviewed over 300 individuals—including President and Mrs. Johnson—to produce an uncensored minute-by-minute account of the day President John F. Kennedy was shot.

Another interesting book and one that could have meaning for all of the reading public—J. K. Lasser's "Managing Your Family Finances." This manual on family financial planning by the nation's leading authorities with detailed information about: Budgeting; Establishing financial goals; Ways to increase family income; Buying on credit; Renting, buying and selling homes; Savings and investments; Stocks, bonds, and real estate; Insurance; and Financing education; and other money matters. A particularly valuable feature of the book is a step-by-step guide to realistic budgeting for you. A real problem-solver for young marrieds and for families who experience difficulty in bridging the ever-widening gap between income and inflation. In addition the book offers up-to-date information on investing in the stock market; on buying insurance, both life and medical; and—a bonus indeed—it tells you how you may save substantially on Federal income taxes.

Anyone interested in telling fortunes? You don't have to be a gypsy according to Elizabeth Daniels Squire. She says that hand analysis was developed by the ancients and has origins in the lore of astrology. "Fortune In Your Hand," by Elizabeth Squire, reveals how you can arrive at a sound interpretation based

STRENGTH FOR THESE DAYS
 from The Bible

Behold, now is the acceptable time.—(II Cor. 6:2).

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Treatment at March of Dimes Center Enables Girl to Throw Away Crutches

Patty Bruce, 7, of Pontiac, Mich., crippled since birth by a severe spinal birth defect, learned by happy accident when she was little more than three years old that she could walk without braces or crutches.

It was a hot summer day and her mother had set aside Patty's crutches, removed the braces from her legs and stood the pretty little blonde in a neighbor's backyard wading pool. "It was like a miracle," Mrs. Bruce recalls. "She began to walk right through the water."

After that day, Patty, who was born with leg-paralyzing open spine and deformities of both feet, practiced and exercised until she needed neither braces nor crutches on dry land. If there is a miracle in her story, however, it has nothing to do with the water.

Dr. Donita B. Sullivan, director of the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, explained, "With proper physical therapy and other treatment over a period of time, children like Patty often develop enough muscle power to walk without the support of braces."

Today, for a girl who had such a slow start, Patty can do a swinging job with a hoola hoop. But life has been a long, uphill struggle.

Patty's fight to live like children born free of handicaps began in Pontiac when she came into the world prematurely, weighing only 3½ pounds. She was the first of fraternal twins, and her brother, Mike, was also born with a birth defect.

Doctors detected a heart murmur in the lad, indicating possible congenital heart defects, and have been seeing him once a year since birth.

Patty's condition required immediate attention. When she was three months old, she was taken to the Birth Defects Center in Ann Arbor where neurosurgeons performed corrective surgery on her back. After that, her deformed feet were treated, first with casts, then with braces and now with exercise only. The little girl has returned to the March of



PATTY BRUCE, 7, Pontiac, Mich., may sound sound to her twin brother, Mike, but she was born with an open spine and can't walk so well. Mike has no problem walking, but he was born with heart defects. With them is Dr. Donita B. Sullivan, director of the March of Dimes-financed Birth Defects Center at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

Dimes Center four or five times a year since her operation for continuing treatment and checkups.

According to Dr. Sullivan, Patty may need urologic surgery sometime in the future. As a result of the open spine, the little girl cannot control her bladder or bowels.

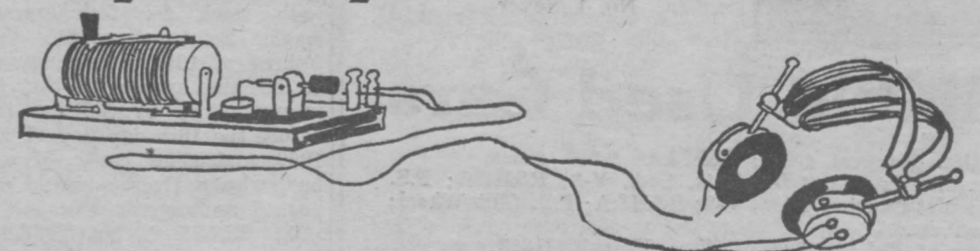
Through the years much of Patty's therapy has been received at home. One of her favorite means of exercise is a rocking horse. Mrs. Bruce points out, also, that brother Mike has a lot to do with walk. "She always watched

him and tried to copy him." Patty has learned to walk well, but she is not yet able to walk normally. She still tends to toe in.

"One day she came home from school and said one of her classmates called her pigeon-toed," Mrs. Bruce says. "Well, I just smiled and told her not to mind. I am just so happy that she can walk at all."

Since that hot summer day several years ago when Patty took her first unaided step, the Bruce family have installed a new fixture in their backyard. Right in the middle is a very large children's wading pool.

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BRIDAY SHOWER

A surprise bridal shower was held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Herbert Gingell in honor of Miss Rebecca Hoke. The hostesses, Miss Jane Hoke and Mrs. Herbert Gingell, used a red and white color scheme in decorating. Those present were Mrs. Leonard Zimmerman, Miss Edna Zimmerman, Mrs. George Gingell, Mrs. Esther Warren, Mrs. Jack Humerick, Mrs. Joseph Hoke, Mrs. Ruth Eyer, Mrs. Leonard Long, Mrs. Ralph Long, Mrs. Roy Motter, Mrs. Charles Knox, Mrs. Thomas Hoke, Mrs. John Joy, Miss Debbie Joy, Mrs. Donald Long, Mrs. John Hoke, Miss Jane Hoke, Mrs. Herbert Gingell, Mrs. Ellis Rohrbaugh, Mrs. Harry McNair and Mrs. Anna Gall. Sending gifts but unable to attend were, Mrs. Robert Joy, Miss Dorothy Humerick, Miss Joyce Rohrbaugh, Miss Nancy Rohrbaugh, Mrs. Carroll Baumgardner, Miss Michelle Hoke, Miss Judy Hardman, Mrs. Ella Mae Eyer, Mrs. Ronald Brown, Mrs. George Martin and Mrs. Emory Summers. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses. The door prize was won by Mrs. Ralph Long.

Miss Hoke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hoke, and C. Thomas Knox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Knox, will be married on Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Incarnation United Church of Christ, Emmitsburg.

Local Young Marine Seriously Wounded

Pfc. Joseph W. 'Billy' Wilson, 20, son of Mrs. Dorothy Wilson, Gettysburg, formerly of Emmitsburg, who was critically wounded by enemy explosives in Vietnam January 27, has had both legs amputated as a result of his injuries, his mother was informed by telegram Monday evening.

Pfc. Wilson, who served with the Marines in Vietnam since early December, lost an eye by

surgery soon after being wounded and has now been moved to a U. S. Naval Hospital at Yokosuka, Japan, according to the latest message to his mother.

The right leg was taken off at the knee and the left leg above the knee. Pfc. Wilson is described as "very seriously ill" and his prognosis is "poor." Mrs. Wilson has been assured her son is receiving the "best of care."

Mail for Pfc. Wilson may be sent to the U.S.N. Hospital, FPO, Seattle, Wash. 98769.

THURSDAY NIGHT LADIES' BOWLING LEAGUE (Rainbow Lanes)

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High team set, 1468, Texaco; high team game, 533, Ridge; high individual set, 316, M. A. Hahn (Ridge); high individual game, 125, M. L. Wetzel (Cowgirls).

WEATHER REPORT

Temperatures for the Emmitsburg District for the period ending January 31, as reported by Mrs. Lucille K. Beale, local weather observer, were as follows:

	H	L
Saturday, Jan. 25	44	25
Sunday, Jan. 26	34	16
Monday, Jan. 27	35	9
Tuesday, Jan. 28	31	7
Wednesday, Jan. 29	33	25
Thursday, Jan. 30	37	30
Friday, Jan. 31	52	32

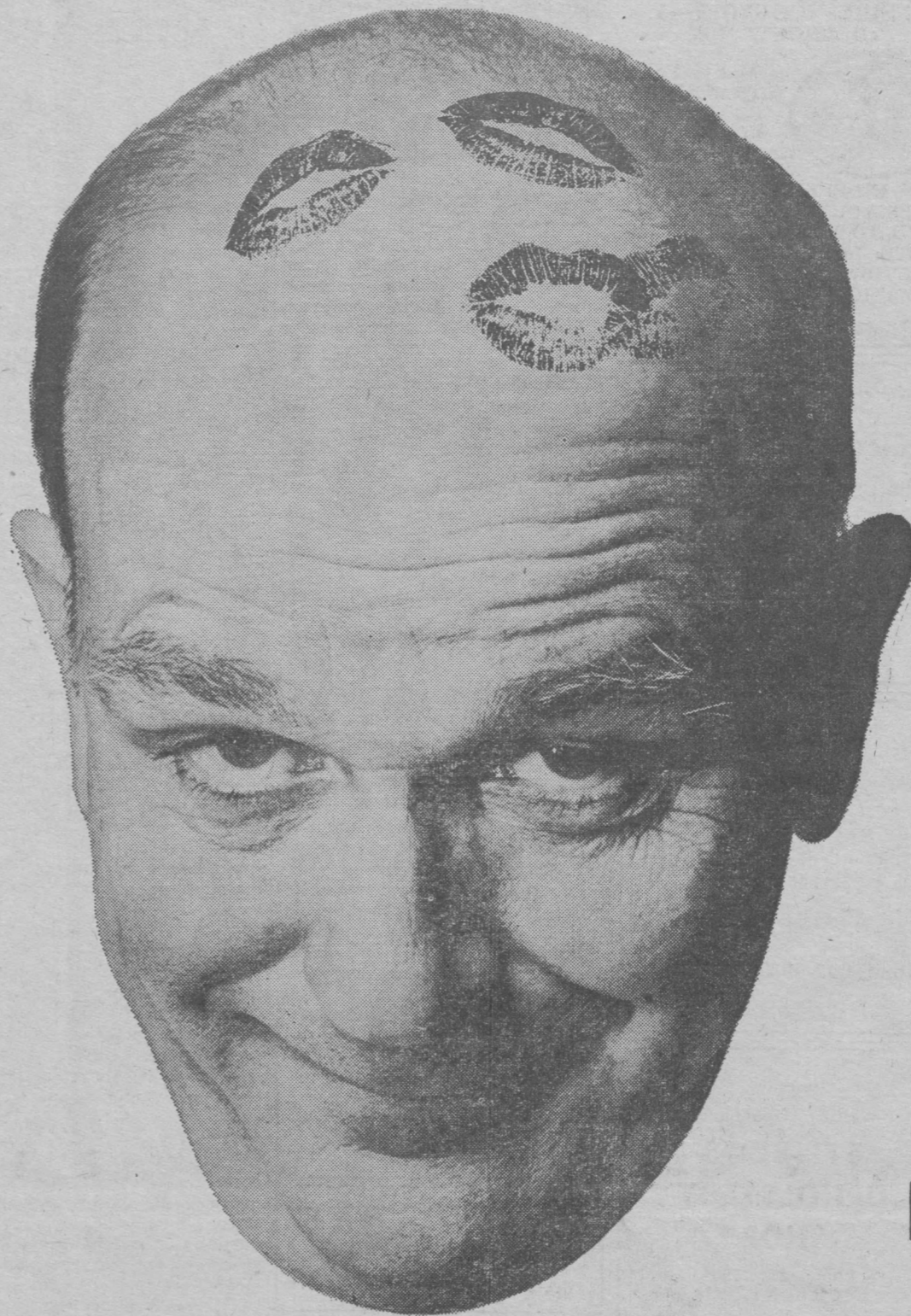
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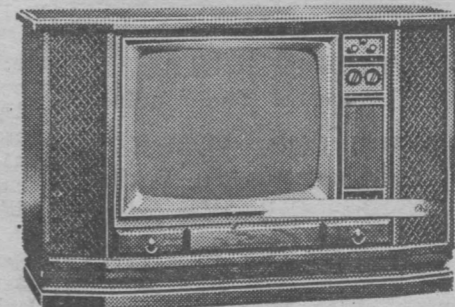
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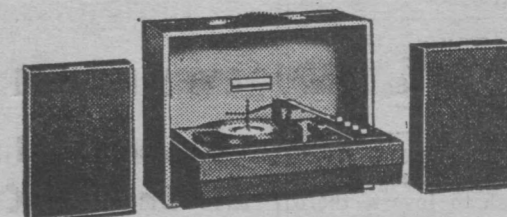
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