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## Most Anything At A Glance

- By Abigail -

Trout fishing, bah!

You can have your long rods and dry flies. Out of all the fish supposed to be stocked in nearby streams, all my efforts were in vain...and a good many other anglers have been crying into the same towel.

In my estimation, if you want a good mess of fish the place to secure it is over the fish counters of your local stores.

I have figured out, taking into consideration the cost of equipment, gas, oil, tires, etc., that if I were to catch a fish the approximate cost would run me about four dollars a pound.

I have come to the end of my string and after careful analogy of the situation have come to the realization that the only fish available is — me!

From now on you'll see me at the fish counter, where it's nice and dry.

Once again the annual town election time has rolled around. Interest here is apparently light, but you can't tell until 10 days before the election date, which this year will be April 27, 1976.

All candidates must declare their intentions of running before 12:00 noon Friday, April 16.

All persons who have not voted within five years must register before the deadline to be eligible to vote.

Open for election are two positions this year — that of Mayor and one Commissioner. To date we know of only one person, William Austin, who has filed for Commissioner. Incumbent Mayor Sprankle has filed for Mayor. To date, we haven't the slightest inkling of anyone else's intentions of running despite the fact that some people have talked about it. I haven't seen them file as yet. Let's not have talk, but some action.

Let me warn you, these are tough positions. For instance, if you were mayor, suppose somebody calls you up at three a.m. and complains of a dog barking? Suppose you have 20 individuals calling you from York and complaining about the water rate increase? What in the sam hill are you going to do about it? Every time you walk to the post office to get the daily mail, someone jumps you about the conditions of the alleys or their sewer is obstructed or you get cussed out for a parking meter violation?

Filling these positions are no easy job, nor one to be taken lightheartedly. You must be willing to sacrifice your time for the betterment of the town and your neighbor. To rephrase a popular phrase, "Don't ask what your town can do for you, but ask what you can do for your town!"

This is just a thought you understand, but why doesn't a few of our organizations consider sponsoring a candidate for both mayor and commissioner?

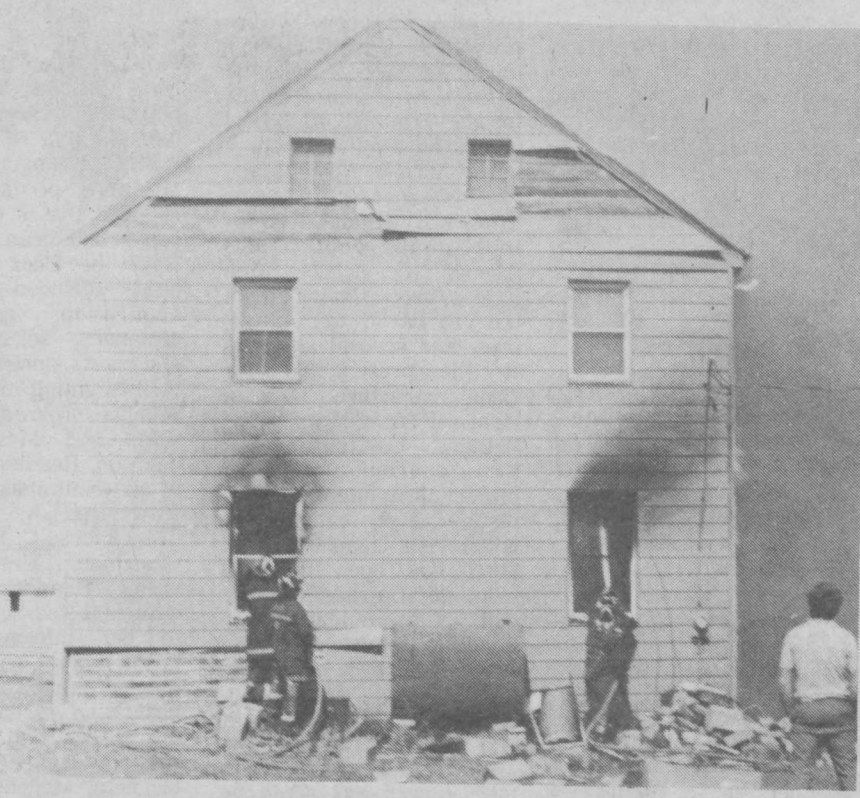
Anyway, whoever files and wins has my compliments for being a brave man or woman.

If any of you folks out there have any old pictures of our citizens, the staff of the Chronicle would like to have them for inclusion in the paper. Seems as if these have been very popular with our readers, who enjoy remembering when. All pictures will be returned to the owners after publication.

I'd like to personally thank the people from the Emmitsburg area who care enough about the town to travel to Washington to appear before the Site Committee of the National Fire Prevention and Control Administration, to try to get the Fire Academy located on the St. Joseph's College site.

It takes time to get a presentation together, then these people have to take time away from their jobs to appear before the committee.

It would be nice if the site committee decided on utilizing the Emmitsburg site for obvious reasons, but if they decide against it, we know it wasn't for lack of trying on many people's part.



(Photo by Mary Johnson)

## Family Left Homeless

Members of the Wayne W. Piper Family were left homeless when their renovated home on Tract Rd. was ruined by fire and smoke in a \$25,000 fire on March 23.

Firemen from Emmitsburg, Fairfield, Greenmount, Fountaine, Cashtown, Frederick, and Thurmont, spent an hour bringing the blaze under control.

Shortly after receiving the alarm from a fuel oil delivery man, Fairfield Fire Chief Lawrence Eversole said his volunteers arrived to find the two-story home a blaze.

Eversole and Adams County Fire Marshal John W. Murren said they were uncertain what caused the blaze that started in a corner where a new frost-free refrigerator was located.

The blaze spread through the kitchen into a hallway and gutted a second floor bedroom and bathroom. The remainder of the house was ruined by smoke and water.

Piper, a self-employed contractor, said he noticed nothing amiss when he and his brother left the house at 12:15 p.m. following a cold lunch. The house was unoccupied when the fire was discovered.

According to Vigilant Hose Chief E. Eugene Myers, Piper had recently completed renovating the log structure with aluminum siding.

Firemen spent three hours on the scene.

The Pipers, Chief Myers said, lost

all their furniture, clothing and other personal belongings in the fire.

Emmitsburg Firemen are conducting a clothing appeal for the family. They are seeking the following items for Mr. Piper, size 34 pants, medium shirts and size 10 shoes; for Mrs. Lorraine Piper, size 16 slacks, 38-40 blouse and size 7½ shoes; for a daughter, size five dresses, size 10 slacks and size 10½ shoes; for a son, pants, size two, shirt and size five shoes.

## Brown Goes On Maryland Ballot

Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr., 36-year-old Governor of California, will appear on the Maryland Democratic Primary Ballot next May 18. Secretary of State Fred L. Wineland today mailed the same letter to Governor Brown that previously was mailed to Jimmy Carter, Frank Church, Fred R. Harris, Henry M. Jackson, Ellen McCormack, Morris K. Udall, and George C. Wallace. Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia and Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota have filed an affidavit of non-candidacy with Wineland, and

their names will not be placed on the ballot. Former Ambassador Shriver yesterday announced he was withdrawing from the race as well. On the Republican side, President Ford and Ronald Reagan will appear on the ballot. Wineland said he decided to add Governor Brown's name after national news media attention was focused on the youthful Governor as a genuine national candidate. Should Brown or any of the other candidates, so notified by Wineland choose to remove their names, they will have until April 2 to file the affidavit with the Secretary of State.

## AG Officials Discuss Funding, Exports, Conservation

"It is possible for us to wake up someday and discover too late that we have been robbing research, extension, conservation, and other agricultural programs, while excessively expanding welfare programs," Virginia Congressman William C. Wampler told officials of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service on March 19, 1976.

The ranking minority member of the House Agriculture Committee explained details of the Budget Control Act to ASC State Committeemen and State Executive Directors from a 17-state area at a gathering in Williamsburg, Virginia.

H. Lehman Toms, Chairman of the Maryland State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, and members William B. Crum of Walkersville and Edgar M. Morris of Parsonsburg attended the two-day conference. Francis E. Lookingbill who heads the Maryland State ASCS Office in College Park also participated.

"The significance of farm exports to the economic well-being of our country has never been greater than it is today," Dale Sherwin,

Agriculture Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and Commodity Programs, told the group. He cited last year's \$12.6 billion agricultural trade surplus as a "significant factor" in beginning economic recovery. Sherwin predicted a similar surplus for fiscal 1976.

Elvin J. Person, ASCS Deputy Administrator for Programs, encouraged the assembled farm program administrators to make whatever efforts they could to reduce the national deficit by reducing expenditures when possible.

Challenging the conference participants both to follow and lead in farm policy, Edward D. Hews, ASCS Eastern Region Director, reminded the group that they were hand selected as leaders in their states. "You are the key to the future success of agriculture," Hews told the assembly.

Ray Hunter, head of the Washington Office handling ASCS conservation programs, reviewed program changes in light of changing public attitudes toward conservation. The U.S. "can no longer be a throwaway society," Hunter said. Details of other farm programs were discussed by Bob Hanson, Director of

the ASCS Program Operations Division.



Chairman of the Town Council, and Chief of Vigilant Hose Co., E. Eugene Myers and Dana Kiester, Director of Fred. Co. Bicentennial Committee, present a plaque of

Fred. Co. Bicentennial coins to Sgt. Major Dave Wolpe as a memento of the U.S. Army Band's trip to Emmitsburg. (Photo by Mary Johnson)

## Local Man Receives Award

A Special Achievement Award for outstanding performance in the Utilities and Pollution Control Division, Directorate of Facilities Engineering, was recently received by Robert G. Wormley of Emmitsburg.

Colonel Joseph A. Pastore, commanding officer, presented the award to Mr. Wormley, in ceremonies held in headquarters at Ft. Detrick.

The citation that accompanied the award read in part that, "Mr. Wormley designed and built a

Relative Power Output for monitoring power levels of Radio Handie-Talkies that cannot be checked with standard equipment due to lack of external antenna connections. This device gives the Facility Engineering Directorate improved radio maintenance services to their clientele."

Wormley is an industrial electronic control mechanic and has been employed at Ft. Detrick for 21 years.

Mr. Wormley and his wife, Dora C. reside on West Main St. in Emmitsburg.

## Fairfield Man Is Arrested

State police have arrested a third man in connection with a shooting incident at the Greystone Inn, Blue Ridge Summit, March 16.

Walter Tilton Jones, 27, Fairfield, was arrested Wednesday by state police as he was being discharged from the Waynesboro Hospital and charged with criminal trespass, making terroristic threats, criminal mischief and criminal conspiracy.

Jones was arraigned before JP Bruce Ingels, Waynesboro, and com-

mitted to Franklin County Prison in lieu of \$6,000 bond.

Rick Calimer, Waynesboro R. 5, was charged Friday with criminal and defiant trespass, making terroristic threats, criminal conspiracy and simple assault.

Stephen L. Mose, Waynesboro R. 5, was charged Thursday with making terroristic threats, defiant trespass and criminal mischief.

Calimer and Mose were released on \$6,000 bond.

## Band Presents Concert

Friday evening in De Paul auditorium at St. Joseph's College, the Studio Band of the United States Army presented an evening of music before an enthusiastic audience of approximately eight hundred people.

Under the sponsorship of the Vigilant Hose Co., the band played such favorites as sounds of the big bands; Count Basie, Glen Miller, Tommy Dorsey and Duke Ellington's "Take The A Train."

Under the direction of Sgt. Major Dave Wolpe, the band also played a variety that featured Don Ryer, a vocalist from Baltimore, Md. singing a medley of oldies but goodies, bossa nova, disco music, music from television favorites such as the theme from "SWAT."

After receiving a standing ovation from the audience, the group favored

them with their rendition of "The King Porter Stomp."

The Studio Band will be appearing in Frederick on July 3, at the band shell in Baker Park.

Chairman of the Town Council, and Fire Chief of Vigilant Hose Co., No. 6, E. Eugene Myers and Dana Kiester, Director of the Bicentennial Committee of Frederick County, presented a set of bicentennial coins of Frederick County to Sgt. Major Wolpe as a memento of the Band's visit to Emmitsburg.

Sets of these coins are available at

all county banks. The silver coins are \$25.00, the bronze are \$1.00.

Our thanks to the Band for such an enjoyable evening, and our thanks to the Vigilant Hose Co., for all the work they did in bringing such fine entertainment to the Emmitsburg area.

## Another Accident

Another accident took place at the West end of town last Sunday night. Christopher Paul Jordan of Route 3, Thurmont was proceeding east bound on Route 97 near the intersection of 97 and Mountain Road, when he sideswiped a parked and unattended vehicle. No injuries were reported.

This brings the total of accidents on West Main St. since the first of the year to nine.

## Treasury Cautions Against Chain Letter

Jesse L. Adams, Deputy National Director, U. S. Savings Bonds Division, Department of the Treasury, today cautioned residents of Maryland about becoming involved in chainletter or savings schemes "to get rich" with Savings Bonds.

Many years' experience with chain schemes indicates that most participants lost their entire investment, according to Mr. Adams. This outcome is inevitable, because the supply of interested persons is soon exhausted. The greater the amount to be invested, the sooner the saturation point is reached.

Banks and other issuing agencies are, therefore, authorized by the Treasury to refuse applications for Bonds where there is reason to believe they will be used in a chain-letter scheme.

Chain-letter schemes which use the mails to facilitate their purpose are considered by the Postal Service as a violation of the postal lottery and fraud laws.

Further, postal officials have

warned that, even though the lists of participants are not circulated in the mails, this does not alter the illegality of the operation since, usually, the Bonds or other evidence of participation in the schemes are mailed. There is also the possibility that the scheme may violate local anti-lottery laws, even if the mails are not used in any way.

In addition to the fact that chain-letter schemes violate federal law, the Treasury believes that the public should be made aware that such schemes — which are essentially get-rich-quick activities — do a distinct disservice to the Savings Bonds Program. Rather than encouraging persons to make genuine investments, they create the illusion that participants are both aiding their government and themselves. Even in the rare case where an individual receives a large return, it is likely that he would quickly redeem the Bonds, thereby placing a further burden on the Treasury.

Bonds for such chain-letter schemes, and who discover that participation may violate certain laws and regulations, may request a refund, using Treasury Form PD-2966 — provided they have the Bonds in their possession. This form is available at many banks; it may also be requested from Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third St., Parkersburg, W. Va. 26101.

## Weather

| Date | High | Low | Precip. |
|------|------|-----|---------|
| 20   | 76   | 38  | 0       |
| 21   | 74   | 45  | .12     |
| 22   | 58   | 35  | 0       |
| 23   | 57   | 21  | 0       |
| 24   | 68   | 30  | 0       |
| 25   | 62   | 43  | .06     |
| 26   | 69   | 34  | 0       |



(Photo by Mary Johnson)

Three Emmitsburg youths were injured Sunday night when their vehicle ran into a utility pole on Old Frederick Road. After colliding with the pole, the vehicle overturned, pinning Robert Ott, 17 underneath the auto. He was transported to Maryland Institute for

Emergency Medicine. Dennis Ryder, 17 and Greg Adelsberger, 17 both passengers in the auto, were transported by VFW Ambulance to Warner Hospital where they were treated and released.