

Most Anything At A Glance

- By Abigail -

Did you realize that this time last year, the Chronicle stopped printing? I think the new owners have come a long way with the paper since then. The format is changed for easier reading, the print is sharp and clear, and more items of local interest are appearing all the time. The Chronicle is getting better and better.

Of the 12.7 million building fires which occurred throughout the country during 1974, more than 70 per cent occurred in homes and accounted for 34 per cent of the \$3.26 billion lost in building fires. Rather startling, isn't it?

Since this is Fire Prevention Week, I think it's appropriate to give serious thought to safety in the home. Do you have any fire hazards that could cause problems? Maybe it's all those old papers you've been saving. Well, home is not only the place where a man hangs his hat, but home is also where a man runs the greatest risk of losing his life in a fire.

Our local Fire Company will be making spot checks of homes in the area for possible hazards, and I sure hope you let them in to check your home. Some of the possible hazards may not be apparent to you, but they'll see them, and just possibly save your liver.

Between the Vigilant Hose Company and the VFW Ambulance crew, the safety of the citizens of the area are their prime concern. I hear they're planning to acquire a new tool which will facilitate removal of accident victims. These men don't enjoy seeing their friends and neighbors hurt in either fires or accidents and will go to any lengths to save lives. Lives are their primary concern. But we have to do our share too.

So let's welcome them, and try to make their job an easier one. These men are truly public servants, and are willing to go a long way toward helping make our homes the safe place we expect them to be.

Despite the large amount of rainfall we've experienced recently, Emmitsburg still is under a water ban. The number four well has not started producing any water for the town as yet. It was learned that we have some work to complete on the well that we didn't know about. So folks, we'll just have to keep on conserving our water and Mr. Flax assures me the well should be producing water within 30, barring any unforeseen difficulties. The output of the new well should be in the neighborhood of 60,000 gallons per day.

Weather

By Lucille Beale
Week of
Sept. 25 - Oct. 1

Date	High	Low	Precip.
25	70	48	
26	69	45	.08
27	72	57	.16
28	72	48	.32
29	65	36	
30	62	41	.74
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Dillon To Resign As Mount Saint Mary's President

Very Rev. Msgr. Andrew J. McGowan, chairman of the Board of Trustees has announced that the Board has accepted "with deepest regrets" the resignation of Dr. John J. Dillon, Jr. as president of Mount Saint Mary's College.

Msgr. McGowan stated that the members of the Board, reflecting the views of the college community, in accepting Dr. Dillon's resignation could only praise his efforts for a tenure of outstanding achievement and leadership in all areas.

Coming to the presidency during the trying times of the early 1970's, Dr. Dillon has led the college to its highest enrollment years, bringing the educational nature of the campus to its complete fruition. He has also been the prime mover behind the new construction on campus, including the \$1.5 million Knott Academic Center, Mulcahy Hall at the Seminary, the women's wing added to Memorial Gymnasium, the Seminary lecture hall, the new office facilities and student rooms in the Administration Building, and numerous other campus projects.

During Dr. Dillon's tenure new

academic programs, revised curricula, expanded faculty and educational facilities have been added at Mount Saint Mary's College. These new programs include the Masters in Business Administration, now in its second successful year, the professional degree for nurses, and the cooperative educational internship program.

In the area of fiscal management, the budget has been balanced despite increased costs brought about by the current inflationary trend. Msgr. McGowan noted that the Board in accepting the resignation respected Dr. Dillon's personal wishes to return to the classroom.

Dr. Dillon was appointed the twentieth president of Mount Saint Mary's College (the first layman to assume the position) in June, 1971, succeeding Rt. Rev. Hugh J. Phillips, president emeritus.

He joined the Mount Saint Mary's faculty in 1940 as a professor of English. Dr. Dillon has served on a host of committees, and he held the post of Public Relations Director and Athletic Director concurrently from

1951 to 1959. (He continued serving as Athletic Director until 1968.)

He was chairman of the Department of English from 1940 to 1968, and for many years wrote a literary column for the Baltimore Catholic Review as well as book reviews for the Pittsburgh Press and Baltimore Sun.



Dr. John J. Dillon, Jr.

Students Represent Frederick County

Joe Birch (Walkersville H.S.), Ingrid Rosencrantz (Frederick H.S.), Andrew Trout (Catoctin H.S.), Robin Turner (Frederick H.S.), and Bradley Van Goshen (Linganore H.S.), represented Frederick County at the Fifth Annual Maryland Forestry Board Conservation Workshop at Camp Greentop, Catoctin Mountain Park, Thurmont, Maryland.

For the past five years the Maryland Association of Forest Conservancy District Boards, in cooperation with the Maryland Forest Service sponsors a Forestry Conservation Workshop which includes high school students from each Maryland county who are instructed in all phases of forestry and conservation practices. The Forestry Board is a unique organization composed of interested lay people throughout the State of Maryland whose function is to promote forestry and conservation. The workshop enables students interested in forestry and conservation as a career to learn more about the professions from personnel working within these fields. Students were selected because of their interest and enthusiasm for conservation measures. Elliot Haines, Joseph Baker, Lawrence Sharpe, C. Robt. Smith, and Dwight Morris contributed to the camp on behalf of the County Forestry Board.

Under the direction of foresters and conservation specialists, the participating students received a concentrated course in forestry and conservation practices, and in wood utilization.

The week long program touched on many subjects and aspects of conservation. To name a few: Tree identification, wood utilization (tour of paper mill and sawmill), wildlife management, forest protection, outdoor recreation, reforestation, forest nursery practices, forest soil and water conservation, forest measurements and career opportunities. It

was a mixed bag, and was meant to be so. The workshop was a learning experience. The days were full of classroom and field trip experiences. It was a seeing and doing workshop. A combination of lectures, field exercises and field trips were programmed to give the campers a variety of activities.

Quizzes were given daily covering the material of the day. Truly, much information was absorbed by the students. The workshop was informational and educational in nature, but the fifty-seven students enjoyed a fellowship that can only be experienced in the out of doors. Students had a good time too. The appreciation and management of our natural resources so to enjoy them today and tomorrow was a predominant theme of the camp.

Each participating student received a certificate printed on a sheet of cherry wood veneer and a patch. An award was given to Linda Gauden of Talbot County for having the best total quiz score. Cecilia Bradford of Cecil County received the award for best all around camper. The headless ax award was given to Steve Rosta of Dorchester County. Steve managed to keep everyone smiling.

Ecology, environment, conservation and forestry. These and other words are used to today's youth as they express their concern over our natural resource problems. The workshop participants were interested and willing to be involved. It is hoped that the information and experiences remembered from the workshop will help guide and direct students into the field of conservation.

One student spoke of the "quality program" of the workshop and simply said, "thanks alot."

Peoples Projects Continue In Emmitsburg

Some of Emmitsburg's problems and charms were explored Thursday night in the fourth in a series of discussion meetings on "Emmitsburg: A Small Town Looks at its Future."

A "Peoples' Project" sponsored by the National Endowment For the Humanities, the series of programs being held at the Emmitsburg VFW at 7:30 p.m. Thursday will conclude next Thursday.

At last night's meeting a life-long resident of Emmitsburg complained that his children will have to leave the town to earn a living. At the same time a Mt. St. Mary's College student announced her hopes to return to Emmitsburg to raise her

family there, if the town remains virtually unchanged.

Town Commissioner Ernest Rosensteel, Mt. St. Mary's Senior Mimi Greenawalt, Freeman Quality Shoe Co. Manager Fred Smith, Senior Citizen Mrs. LaRue Harmon and Planning and Zoning chairman Ernest Shriver were among the speakers.

"A shot in the arm for our economy" is what Rosensteel called the local shoe factory. Because the town lacks enough industry, the commissioner said "many young people who don't want to leave Emmitsburg are forced to see his own children buy homes here, get into government and "take over" they had to leave to earn a living," he said.

During the course of his career at the College and Seminary he has become known to a host of Mountaineers as "Doc" Dillon. His teaching covered both the Seminary and College communities on the Mount Saint Mary's campus.

In 1969 Dr. Dillon was named executive vice-president of the college's internal affairs and in 1971 assumed the presidency of the college.

His own education began in his native Pittsburgh, where he attended Duquesne University and received his Bachelor's degree. He went on to acquire his Masters from St. Vincent College, Latrobe, Pa., and was awarded his Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1939.

Dr. Dillon was the recipient of the Mount Saint Mary's National Alumni Association Brute medal in 1970. He received an honorary Doctor of

Humane Letters from St. Joseph's College, North Windham, Maine, in 1972.

Dr. Dillon is listed in "Who's Who in the East" and in the "Directory of American Scholars."

His honors include memberships in Sigma Kappa Phi, National Honor Society, Lambda Iota Tau, National Literature Honor Society, and he was a founding member of Delta Epsilon Sigma, the National Scholastic Honor Society.

Dr. Dillon is a member of numerous organizations and societies including the Modern Languages Association, the National Catholic Education Association, National Council of Teachers of English, American Council on Education, and the Association of Independent Colleges of Maryland.

Administration Supports VFW Ambulance Co.

Before a large crowd attending the recent Monday night meeting of the Town Council, the administration agreed to support the VFW Ambulance Company in its purchase through the State of Maryland an Auto Extrication tool to free accident victims.

Larry Little, representing the ambulance company, asked the town to purchase the \$5,000 specialty tool which will then be titled in the name of the town, but used by the ambulance service and Vigilant Hose Company.

The details of how the Hurst tool can be used and an explanation of how the state will pay \$2,500 of the total cost was made by Mike Smith, coordinator of the Mid-Maryland Emergency Medical Services Council, which represents Frederick and Washington Counties.

The money for the tool would come from the federal government as part of a grant program as far as the state's share is concerned, while the balance of the money is to be raised locally through a fund drive that will see that the town's treasury is reimbursed.

According to Larry Little in 1975 there was a total of 364 personal injury accidents in the area to which the ambulance crew responded, and 54 more than both the ambulance crew and fire company responded to.

The state program will see that

other Hurst tools are placed in strategic spots in the area. Already, Woodsboro, Frederick and Littlestown have these units.

Ernest Shriver, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission, informed the town council that the "Village Zone" is now in final draft form and that a public hearing on it has been set for October 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the second floor of the firehall. Copies of the ordinance and maps will be available at the town office this Monday.

Burgess Richard Sprinkle has set Saturday, October 30 for trick or treat during the hours of 5 to 7 p.m. followed by the annual Halloween parade. Refreshments will be served in St. Joseph's grove following the parade. No Halloween antics shall take place on Sunday. Any violators will be prosecuted.

Mrs. Marvin Laws of East Main St. presented a water and sewer bill stating that she was being charged extra for having a roomer. According to Mrs. Laws, she does not charge the roomer any rent and does not believe she should be charged extra by the town. She does not consider the student to be a roomer, but a guest in the home. After conferring with town attorney, Frederick Bower, the Town Council stated that Mrs. Laws is subject to the increased rate because the roomer is not a member of her immediate family as stated in the town's ordinances.

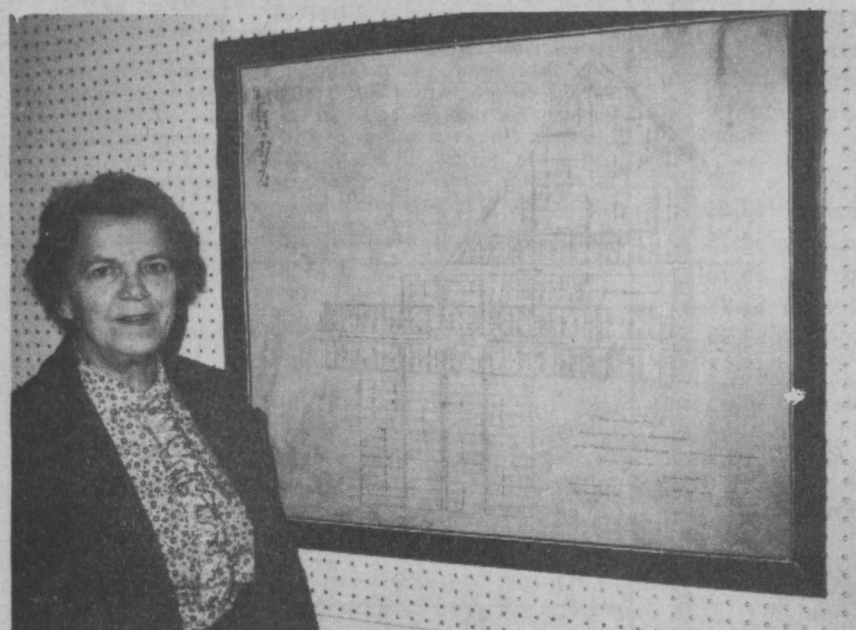
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In other business: — Learned that the resident trooper will begin Nov. 1.

— Was asked to confirm or deny a rumor to the effect that two special meetings were held with the local Police Dept. concerning the police dept. either joining or starting a union. The "official" answer was no; no meetings were held nor is the police dept. either joining or starting a union.

— Urged all citizens to attend the public hearing on the dualization of Route 15 at Catoctin High School, on Oct. 18.



In 1797 a map of a suit arguing over the "platts" by virtue of a re-survey issued in the William Emmitt Vs. Charles Robinson; Wm. Shields Vs. James Joy; Wm. Shields Vs. Robert Brown court case over lines of their lands. In 1808 a new and accurate plan of the flourishing town called Emmitsburg was drawn by Samuel Noble, Lewis Motter and Frederick Gelwicks, correctly laid

down by Andrew Smith on Oct. 28, 1808. A legible copy was made of this map in 1968 by Bertram Kerschner. These three maps were donated to the Emmitsburg Historical Society by Mrs. Mary Hoke shown above with Mrs. Kathleen Warthen accepting the maps on behalf of the Historical Society. They were framed by Mr. Floyd Lewis and are to be the nucleus of a mini-

museum which the Historic Society hopes to have at the Community Center. The Society is presently looking for display cases or wall racks or any memorabilia of the town. If anyone has any memorabilia they would like to see displayed, please contact any member of the Historical Society.

May Expand
Smith revealed that Freeman Shoe, a subsidiary of United States Shoe Corp., Ohio, has tentative plans to expand, hiring 20 percent more employees within a year.

Mimi Greenawalt, intrigued by Emmitsburg for 3 1/2 years, wants to return to raise her future children. Discussion indicated industry in the bedroom community of 1,680 persons couldn't compete with the wages of \$9 to \$12 per hour Emmitsburg based construction workers are earning in cities.

May Disappear
People live in Emmitsburg, but government moves to Frederick, Muller noted. "Little towns, the image, the notion of what the U.S. is all about. They are going to disappear and that's my worry."

AARP representative Mrs. Harmon took only one minute to express the Senior Citizens' primary need: A small community owned mini-bus to get people to the Community Center. Zeroing in on the industry problem, Thomas Ryan, Mt. St. Mary's Mathematics Dept., urged the town to "decide what type and what level of industry is exactly what you need and go out and shoot for the type of industry that enables you to increase the tax base and provide the services."

Oppose Sixes Dam
Proposals that could benefit the town were put to a plus or minus vote by Ernest Shriver. Ninety-nine percent opposed the Sixes Bridge Dam which would create a 4,500-acre lake covering 11,000 acres of farmland and would extend to the south east corporate district limits of Emmitsburg. Authorized by Congress, but voted down in Maryland, the lake would be the largest fresh water body in the Baltimore-Washington area, supplying and drinking water to Washington and parts of Frederick County. An opposed resident, Ralph

Ireland said severe down draws during summer months would leave "300 acres of mud flats right behind my house."

Considered a plus, the leasing of St. Joseph's College to the National Fire Academy will be decided very soon, according to Commissioner Rosensteel. Marjorie Webster Junior College, Washington, is first choice, St. Joseph second, he said.

Proposed dualization of Route 15 divided citizen opinion, but they saw creation of a north route 97 by-pass as providing access to planned development areas.

Emmitsburg's biggest problem, according to Shriver is "the Automobile." Lack of parking space deters tourists to the Seton Shrine from visiting town and narrow streets and alleys provide "no really good access to any of the areas off the main street that are now accessible to a good wide street."

200 Houses
Emmit Ridge, a development in the planning stage now zoned for 49 townhouses will eventually sprout 200, Shriver predicted. Yet the "only real parking is on East and West Main Street and on the Square."

College students ranged from liking the "character" of the historic sections of town to requesting a poll of Mount students to research recreational possibilities such as a bowling alley or indoor tennis court. One male student said "the town isn't there and they're bored stiff."

The College was rated a plus, but accommodations for visiting parents, friends and clergy in Emmitsburg's motel-less town got a large minus. J. Norman Flax, Commissioner of Water and Sewer said: "We have been approached by developers and I think we could handle it." A hearing on village zoning is scheduled for October 21 at the Emmitsburg Fire Hall.