NOW AND THEN

THE SOUND OF THE LEAF

Hushed and cool the bird-cries now
at twilight:
How swift the sun sinks burning in
the West:
For in the evening first the hand of
autumn
Holds the petals of the flowers
pressed.

How silently the last of summer lingers:
How still the shadows lie across the
grass:
And vine leaves whispering under
the windows
Lean to let the fleeing season pass.

And suddenly against the forming
darkness
The shapes of trees spring reeling into sight.
How solemnly the sound of one leaf
falling
Rolls like distant thunder through the
night.

ROBERT WISTRAND

Autumn is coming very slowly this year. Though some trees show that she is using her paint brush with lavish hand, yet the greater portion of them still retain their green color. The plane trees do not dress so gayly as do the maples; which glow in their brilliant colors of yellow and red. The oculists are recommending that one should gaze on a distant scene every once in a while. It is good for strengthening the eyes and increases their long sight vision. The Indians trained themselves to see in the far distance and they could discern objects far away. What a fair scene awaits any one who looks on the landscape now with the blue river, the autumn coloring and all the lovely flowers. No more beautiful picture awaits those who appreciate nature in her loveliness.

STOCKINGS FROM COAL

The long promised Nylon stocking has made its appearance in Wilmington. As there are very few made so far, Wilmington is the only city that has them for sale. as it is the home of the du Ponts. A shovel of coal a pailful of water and some good fresh air furnish the ingredient of this run resisting stocking.

The new textile fiber promises to become celebrated if the coal and other ingredients prove to give the long wearing qualities promised. Sheerness and beauty are also claimed.

DIVERSITY OF GIFTS

A shoveler in a Utah smelter won three State Fair first prizes for crocheting and embroidery. This recalls a Kansan who took a one-man exhibit of tatting to New York City and who tamed wildcats, or something of the sort, on the side. Just the same, it is still bad strategy for a family man to let it be discovered that he knows how to wash dishes.

MAYOR LE GUARDIA

Mayor Le Guardia of New York City has plenty of critics, but no one can say that he is an idle man.

On October 24, of this year we read the following:

NEW YORK (AP)—After a 33-year interlude, Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia received a special merit award Oct. 24 for his feat of mastering shorthand and typewriting in 30 hours.

The recognition, in the form of a leather-bound testimonial, came from the Pratt School of Business, where he took the course in August, 1906, because "If I wanted to eat, I had to get a job." The Mayor recalled that after leaving school he received $18 a week as a stenographer. "I thought that was pretty good," said the Mayor, who now draws approximately $450 a week.

GUIDO RENI

He was a famous painter of the Renaissance. Examples of his wondrous art are seen in many palaces and churches of Italy. Two of the best known are "Ecce Homo," picturing our Lord crowned with thorns. His face so nable, and his bearing so dignified, amid the jeers and insults of his enemies, shows what reverence the painter had for his subject.

Another picture is Aurora, the goddess of the dawn. He painted this on the high ceiling of one of the palaces of Rome. It features the goddess scattering roses as she flies, while behind her is the car of the sun god, Apollo driving his horses while accompaning the car, are beautiful women, representing the hours of the day. The ceiling on which it is painted is so high that the visitors seat themselves around a table which has a large mirror on it and this reflects the picture so that they will not have to gaze at the ceiling.

BUSINESS WOMEN CLUB PLAN CARD PARTY FOR LIBRARY

On November 13, 1939, the Business and Professional Women's Club plan to stage a card party for the benefit of the Chestertown Library. The party wil be open to the public and will include the lighter games of five hundred and pitch as well as tables for bridge enthusiasts. Miss Irma Adams is in charge of the sale of tickets and these may be bought from any member of the Club. The Club feels that the Library contributes so much to the educational, recreational, and cultural life of the community that it is a project, upon which, the Club should expend time and effort. The support of the entire comunity is requested to make this a great success. Announcement as to the place will be made later.

The next regular dinner meeting will be held on November 20th at the Sophie Fisher Inn and the program wil be in charge of the Health Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Cornelia Lumpkin. Mrs. Lumpkin is arranging for an interesting speaker from Johns Hopkins. The Health Committee holds regular meetings on the second Monday of each month and cordially invites any member of the organization to attend.

The first bowling night was held on Wednesday and the bowlers will meet at the local alley at 7 p. m. every Wednesday night.

Miss Hermione Riches will launch the Curernt Events Club on Thursday night, October 26 at the High School. The meeting will last one hour, from 7 to 8 p. m. and will be held twice a month.

The Glee Club, forming under the direction of Miss Lottie Peacock will meet at her hom on Tuesday, October 31.

Members who are interested in any of these activities are free to join each of the groups.

On Saturday, November 4th a trip to Longwood Gardens and Wilmington will be enjoyed by Club mmebers. Those desiring to take the trip are requested to notify Miss Sue Smith, Miss Anna Pippin or Miss Marjorie Dixon. The group will leave Chestertown at 1.30 p. m. on that day.

Membership in the Club now numbers ninety and new names are being proposed.

KENNEDYVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Redmile and daughter of Washington, D. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kegs of Wilmington, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redmile.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell Crew entertained his mother, Mrs. Katie Crew and sister on Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Cain and Mrs. Acca Crew were delegates to the W. C. T. U. Convention at Betterton last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Robinson, of Newark spent the week end with his sisters, Mrs. James Lusby and Miss Elizabeth Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Miller and Mr and Mrs. Andrew Toulson spent Sunday with relatives in Wilmington Del.

Mr. and Mrs. William Lipscomb returned home on Sunday from spending sometime with their son, Mr. Edgar Lipscomb and wife in Rock Hall.

Don't forget the church supper tonight in the school building.

Mr. and Mrs. William Anthony, Jr., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony near town.

Master Billy Anthony spent Sunday with Billy Fogwell.

Miss Catherine Fogwell and friend visited her sister, near Wye Mills on Sunday.

Service in Grace Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Rev. Thomas will preach

Miss Grace Starr spent the week end with Mildred Miller.

Miss Mildred Miller entertained some friends in honor of her birthday on Friday evening. Those present were: Miss Helen Mitchell, Anna Bramble, Agnes Cochran, Grace Starr, Mildred Miller, Calvin Miller, Dickey Freeman, Billy Crouch, Betty Wiltbanks. The evening was spent in games and music. Pineapple ice cream, cake and candy were served. All enjoyed a pleasant evening and left for their homes wishing Mildred many more happy birthdays.

Service in Grace Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening at 7 p. m. Rev. Thomas will preach.

Mr. Robert Young quietly celebrated his 79th birthday on Saturday congratulations.

Miss Sophie Miller entertained Mrs. William Ford at dinner on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boggs and Sara returned to their home in Wyoming Del., on Sunday after spending the past two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boggs.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ringgold entertained Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams of New York over the week end.

Mrs. James Robinson is visiting her son, Mr. Delbert Robinson and wife in Baltimore.

Miss Anna Miller and friends, of Salisbury and Miss Marie Miller, of Wilmington, spent the week end with their parents.

Miss Bernice Scotten, Miss Helen Bauscher and friend and Mr. Allen Bauscher spent the week end with their parents.

Miss Gladys Archibald, of Wilmington, spent the week end at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pennington, of Rockville, spent the week end with their parents.

Mrs. Thomas Johnston and Mr. and Mrs. George Johnston visited in Wilmington on Friday.

Mrs. Annie Crow entertained the Woman's Club on Thursday. Mrs. Glenn gave the kitchen demonstration.

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