COMMUNITY NEWS

Rockville

Mrs. Frank Marshall and daughter Betty, Mrs. Atlee Burriss, and Mr. George Lamar, Jr., expect to return on Wednesday or Thursday from a six-week motor trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Brunett entertained the Friday Evening Bridge Club last week. Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Cromwel, Mr. and Mrs. Camillus Stokes, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garrabrant and Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Adr.

Mrs. Albert Adr is with her mother, Mrs. John N. Morris, in Baltimore, for a few days .

Mrs. Darby Bowman was hostess to one of the Tuesday bridge clubs this week with the following guests: Mrs. William A. Linthicum, Mrs. Albert Boulc, Mrs. Alinus Spears, Mrs. Randolph Talbott, Mrs. Julian Whiting, and Mrs. Barnard Welsh.

Miss Marian Speare has returned from a visit with friends in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. William Pratt has returned from a two-weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. H. Warner, in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas and two sons have moved to their home in Washington for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs Emmett Dove returned early in the week after visiting the latter's sister, Miss Lillian Sage, in Phoenix, Arizona. While away they toured California.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert C. Warfield of Rockville, left Thursday for St. Petersburg, Florida, where they plan to remain until spring.

Miss Elsie England and Miss Maude England have gone to Chestertown, Md., to visit their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Brown.

SPARKS OF WISDOM

By DR. JOHN W. HOLLAND

Wrongdoing is the soul's undoing.

Self-distrust puts the mind into reverse gear.

The world is filled with beauty when the mind is set upon duty.

They who live wholly for the sod, become sodden in their thinking.

There are many new long names for sin, but it all comes from old-fashioned selfishness.

Laytonsville

Mrs. Alfred Praley is home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carl Scherrer in Silver Spring.

Word has been received here that Mr. Otis Poss, of San Francisco, has been quite ill of lobia.

Miss Margaret White is keeping house for Mrs. Howard Davis in Washington, while Mrs. Davis, who had her tonsils removed, Thursday, is now staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Riggs.

Mrs. Greenberry G. Griffith was hostess to the Bridge Club luncheon, Wednesday.

Mrs. Winfield Howes, Mrs. Edward Peters of Colesville, have returned after visiting relatives in Crew, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Clark had their son, Carlton Snouffer, baptized at the Episcopal church of Ascension, of Gaithersburg, Sunday morning by Cannon Rudd, rector officiating.

Mrs. William R. Griffith has been confined to her bed. She is slowly improving at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Harvey Fleck.

Mr. and Mrs. George Woodfield, Mrs. Cedelia Ward, Mr. Woodrow Ward, Miss Hetty Darby, Mr. Richard Green, Mrs. Dean Darby of Washington, and Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Beall of Chevy Chase, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Green on Sunday.

Got Indigestion?

Science discovers many causes for the prosaic stomachache. Read this interesting article, written in easy, understandable language. One of many features in the December 27 issue of the American Weekly, the big magazine which comes regularly with the Baltimore Sunday American. On sale at all newsstands.

Gaithersburg

The Young Men's Democratic Club will sponsor a Dance at the Gaithersburg High School on the 28th of December, from 10 to 1, with music by "Moods in Blue" and door prizes. The committee consists of Messrs. Park King, chairman; Thomas Miles, Pete King, Jimmy Walker, Mac King, Bill Broechart, John Engle, Garner Duvall, Sam Walker, Claggett Jones, Ulysses Griffith, Heb Freeman, George Darby, Oliver Smith, Bill Bean, Senator and Mrs. Steidman Prescott, Mr. and Mrs. J. Forest Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Casey, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Diamond, Mayor and Mrs. William McBain, and Mrs. Frances Latimer, Mrs. Laura Gardner and Mrs. Miles.

Mrs. Frank Tyler entertained the Womens' Missionary Society of Grace M. E. Church, South, this week at her home on Walker avenue.

Rev. Frank Tyler officiated at the marriage this week of Miss Amy Marie Pagenhardt of Westernport, and Paul Walter Lambert, of Cumberland.

The "Friendly Class" of Grace M. E. Church, South, has elected officers for the coming year. They are: President, Robert Louis Wells; vice president, Milton Walker; secretary-treasurer, George Darby.

Next Friday evening, December 18, Santa Clause will visit the Lyric Theatre with a present for every child. This has become an annual affair.

Organization of a bugle and drum corps formed of boys under 16 years is being sponsored here by Barber Briggs Post, American Legion, with Prof. J. M. Miller of Washington, Charles Schrader of the United States Navy Band, Harry C. Bertschy, Mrs. Helen G. Hickmore of the Gaithersburg High School faculty, and Dorsey Plummer, member of the Barber-Briggs Post, as instructors.

Rehearsals are held each Thursday evening at the high school and the enrollment to date is 75. From this number a picked corps of 30 will be selected. A donation of $100 for the purchase of instruments has been made by the post according to Ira Darby, head of the committee organizing the corps.

Dr. Broschart who has been quite ill, at the Montgomery County General Hospital, is reported much improved.

The school children of St. Martin's Catholic school will hold their Christmas Pageant and Santa Claus Party next Sunday, December 20, at 3 p. m., with tableaux, songs and group acting, all pertaining to the birthday of Christ.

Mr. Paul Waters of Germantown, who was hurt some time ago in an automobile accident, has been at the Montgomery County General Hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hickerson of Baltimore, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickerson at their home near Germantown.

Special services which Neelsville, Boyds, and Darnestown Presbyterian churches have been conducting as after-meetings of the National Preaching Mission, recently held in Washington, will be concluded at Neelsville church next week. Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings Rev. James P. Kerr, pastor of the church at Boyds will preach, and Thursday and Friday evenings the sermons will be by Rev. W. J. Campbell, pastor of the Darnestown church.

Mrs. Clyde Thomas entertained the Thursday evening bridge club this week.

The Christmas entertainment at the G. H. S. will take place Monday and Tuesday, the school being dismissed on Wednesday for the holidays.

The Community Christmas tree will be staged at 7:30 on Christmas Eve. Committee on speakers: Mrs. Granville Kinsey and Mrs. Walter Rhinehart. Music committee: Mrs. Clay Plummer, Mrs. J. B. Ely, Mrs. Jesse Briggs and Mrs. Bates Etchison. Committee on lighting: Mrs. Leslie Mullican and Mrs. Albert Claggett. All organizations of the town are invited. Christmas carols will be sung.

On Monday of this week while attempting the turn from Frederick avenue, into Diamond avenue, Mr. John Caulfield, blinded by the light of a car coming down the bridge, struck a truck, almost demolishing his car. Miss Rose Hutton, who was a passenger, received injuries on the head and arms and Mr. and Mrs.Caulfield escaped injury.

A group of people from the Ferndale and Pasadena, Md., charges visited the Home of the Aged last Sunday and put on a religious program. They numbered about twenty persons.

Washington Grove

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Browning have taken an apartment on Bilt-more street, Washington, for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burns and family, who have been residents of the Grove for the past year, have moved into Washington.

Mrs. Helen Becraft Bean and brother Henry Becraft, who have been on the sick list, are back again at their desks with the Mutual Fire Insurance Company at Sandy Spring.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Washington Grove M. E Church held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. George A Chadwick. Luncheon preceded the business session which was presided over by the president, Mrs. Lewis Havermale.

Mrs. Elste M. Palmer had as her guests Sunday, Miss Thelma Pugett, Miss Helen MacAllister and Miss E. De Venney of Washington.

Little Katherine Lowery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowery, celebrated her sixth birthday Saturday, at the home of Mr. John Lacey in Oakmont.

Damascus M. E. Church

Damascus, Md.
Raymond Hunter Brown, Minister

Sunday 11:00 a. m.—Christmas Sermon—7:30 p. m.—Epworth League.
Wednesday — Children's Division Party.

SALEM M. E. CHURCH
Cedar Grovey, Md.
Sunday 9:30 a. m.—Christmas Message. 8.00 p. m. S. S. Christmas Exercises.
Monday—Choir rehearsal at 7:30 p. m.
Christmas Morning—7:30 a. m. Damascus and Salem churches will worship in a joint-meeting at Salem church. Public is cordially invited. The church with the lighted Christmas Tree.

Last Sunday evening the Chevy Chase Epworth League was host to the Damascus Young people with a social hour and worship period.

Salem Social Club met at the parsonage Monday, with some forty persons in attendance. Small gifts were distributed and a Christmas tree and a Christmas program marked the Yuletide Season.

The Junior High League of Damascus held its annual Christmas party at the church, at which time parents were entertained, and a program of music, dramatics, and readings were presented. Refreshments were served.

Read The Montgomery Independent weekly for all county news.

Prominent County Woman Dies At Local Hospital

Mrs. Virginia Mae Waters Hedgman died at the Montgomery County General Hospital on Tuesday. She was the beloved daughter of the late Horace D. and Mrs. Valeria Waters of Germantown. Her first husband, Norman Boulc, of Rockville, died some years ago. Subsequently she married Mr. Edgar B. Hedgman, who survives, also three sisters, Mrs. Mary Boland, Mrs. George Hunter, Mrs. Outerbridge Spates and Miss Madeline Waters, and one brother, Kenneth R. Waters.

The funeral services were held at the home of her sister, Miss Madeline Waters at Germantown, on Thursday. Interment at Neelsville cemetery.

Strange Creatures

Second of a series of beautiful pictures, in full colors, depicting strange creatures of the sea. One of many features in the December 27 issue of the American Weekly, the big magazine which comes regularly with the Baltimore Sunday American. Get your copy from your local newsstand.

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VOL. X—NO. 10 ROCKVILLE, MD., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1936 ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR

Prominent Rockvillian Bride Of Ensign Robert R. Williams, Of Buffalo

Full military service for Miss Rose V. Abert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Bache Abert, of Rockville, and Ensign Robert Russell Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Williams of Buffalo, N. Y., was read Saturday afternoon, December 12th at 4:30 in the Catholic Chapel at the Naval Training Station, Chaplain W. A. Maguire officating.

Entering on the arm of her father, the bride was distinguished in her heavy white satin gown, which was made with a tunic caught at the yoke and waist and falling away into a long oval train. The yoke and long puffed sleeves which tapered to the writs was lace as was the medieval collar. Her tulle veil, which extended to the length of her train, was caught to a satin coronet, wreathed at the base with orange blossoms. A shower bouquet of white sweet peas centered with gardenias and valley lillies completed her ensemble.

Mrs. L. O. Crane, wife of Lt. Crane, of Coronado, was matron of honor and wore a rose crepe dress with a matching small brimmed hat. Her arm bouquet was pale pink roses and blue delphinium. Ice blue velvet with silver accessories was worn by Mrs. Abert with a corsage of pale pink roses and lillies of the valley.

Best man was Ensign George Stannish, and those serving as ushers were Ensigns John Lowe, Robert Close, Robert Paton, and Ernest V. Bruchez.

A reception was held after the ceremony at the home of Lt. Comdr. and Mrs. William M. Callahan, where the bride, her parents and her aunt, Mrs. William A. Pate of Rockville have been guests.

The couple will be at home to their friends after December 28th at 350 B ave., Coronado.

The bride was smart in a green woolen suit with a rust scarf when she left. She wore brown accessories and a corsage of gardenias.

Mrs. Williams was educated at the Georgetown Visitation Convent in Washington, D. C. Ensign Williams attended Cochran Bryan Preparatory school and was graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1934.

Gaithersburg Churches Celebrate Christmas

The cantata "Bells of Christmas" will be presented in both Grace and Epworth Methodist Churches on Sunday night. The program at Grace church will be in charge of Mrs. Charles Thomas and that at Epworth church will be directed by Miss Hazel Jacobs. Miss Margaret Plummer will give a reading at Epworth church entitled "Why the Chimes Rang."

Thursday evening the Epworth League, sponsored by the M. E church sang Christmas Carols on the streets.

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Franklin C. Getzendanner Dies After Brief Illness

Mr. Franklin C. Getzendanner, prominent United States Government official died last Sunday at the Homeopathic Hospital, Washington, after a brief illness.

Mr. Getzendanner entered the service of the Government in December 1891, when he was connected with the office of the Comptroller of Currency. He was with the Tarriff Commission nearly 14 years as chief of the Finance.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Getzendanner and by a daughter, Mrs. George A. Bonhag, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Windsor Offutt, both of Bethesda.

Mr. Getzendanner was born in Frederick, September 22, 1868. He has lived most of his life in that part of the state, his late home being in Montgomery County on Old Georgetown Road. He was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church of Bethesda.

Mr. Getzendanner was highly esteemed, an expert in his knowledge of Government finances, rendered services in innumerable civic enterprises, particularly an invaluable member of Community Chest teams many years.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 22, at the funeral home of William Reuben Pumphrey, 7005 Wisconsin Ave., in Bethesda.

Mrs. Charles Viett Sails

Mrs. Charles Viett of Rockville sailed from Baltimore on the 18th of December on the Steam Ship Kent of the Merchants & Miners Line, enroute to Jacksonville and Miami, Florida.

State Tobacco Growers Have Large Cash Sales

The Maryland Tobacco Growers' Association, numbering upwards of 6,000 growers and with offices in Baltimore, was second of all tobacco co-operatives in the country in point of its estimated business over the 1935-36 season.

With a volume of business for the period approximating $2,500,000, the Maryland tobacco co-operative was surpassed only by one in Tennessee with 18,000 grower members. The total sales of the Tennessee organization amounted to $3,380,000.

The Baltimore bank pointed out that in point of membership the Maryland Tobacco Growers' Association embraced one-tenth of the 60,000 co-operative tobacco growers and that its last season's marketing record of $2,500,000 represented approximately 22 percent of the total sales reports of all co-operatives in the industry, which amounted to $11,500,000.

Sales of the Maryland co-operative for the 1935-36 season increased by approximately $100,000 over the previous season.

Extra Session Of Legislature Costs Maryland $11,928

According to an announcement from the office of William S. Gordy, Jr., State Comptroller, the special session of the Maryland Legislature which ended last Saturday cost $11,928, with the printing and telephone bills still to be paid.

A total of $23,000 was appropriated for the expenses of the session and of this $14,189.02 has been spent. In addition to the amount already expended, a printing bill of $2,261.02, contracted at the special session in March, but unpaid since that time, was settled.

Mileage Adds to Cost

One of the items which added to the cost of the session, which began at noon Tuesday, was the mileage paid the members. This ranged from $110 for members from Garret county to $15 for members living in Baltimore city or in Anne Arundel county.

Delegate Phillip Miller (Dem., Anne Arundel), is the only member of the House who, by law, is made ineligible for mileage.

Paid Only Once In Session

Miller lives in Annapolis, and the State law provides for mileage of all members but those living here. An Anne Arundel county delegate who lives just outside the corporate limits, within two miles of the State House, gets his $15.

Baltimore county members get $19 mileage, while those from Worcester county get, $94.

The mileage is paid only once in a session, no matter how long it lasts. The members receive the same for a one-day special session.

Wedding of Interest At Washington Grove

Miss Jane B. Sappington of Washington, and Mr. John H. Markland, of Rockville, were married at Washington Grove Monday, December 21, at the home of the bride's grandfather, Dr. Albert Osborn, who was the officiating minister. Only the immediate relatives of both families attended. After the ceremony the young couple left for a wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside in Washington.

Confession Implicates Alleged Murderers

The alleged slayers of Elwood Matthews, wealthy 65-year-old Silver Spring farmer, wereimplicated in another killing yesterday when Joseph Kirby, 20, one of the gang, told West Virginia police that his companions, Lawrence Gingell, 20, and William Reed, 25, killed William E. Dolman, 34-year-old Philadelphia salesman, near Sutton, W. Va.

Dollman's body was found in his blazing automobile on the highway 20 miles from Sutton on November 26—five days after Matthews had been slain.

Gingell, who was arrested last week as he attempted to hitch hike across Highway Bridge, Washington, is being held in the Rockville Jail charged with murder.

Reed, leader of the gang, is still at large.

Miss Williams Is Wed Recently To H. S. Hyatt, Jr.

A wedding of much interest was performed on Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams at Damascus, when their daughter, Miss Ruby Mae, became the bride of Mr. Herbert Souder Hyatt, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hyatt, Sr. The home was decorated with palms and ferns with fall cut flowers mixed among them. The wedding march was played by Prof. Maxwell Burdette and he also accompanied Miss Julia Ward who sang "Because" and "I Will Love Thee,'; Rev. William A. Ledford officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin with full puff sleeves to the elbow and patterned on the princess line, with which she wore a white tulle veil caught in her hair by baby's breath. She carried a shower bouquet of white roses and baby breath. The maid of honor, was Miss Hilda Hyatt, sister of the groom, who wore a gown of blue silk taffata, designed as that of the bride and carried a shower bouquet of Talisman roses.

The groom had for his best man, Mr. Kenneth Howes of Etchison.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held with Mrs. Thomas Hawkins and Mrs. Ernest Hawkins receiving.

The couple left for a trip to Florida. The bride wearing a black brocade crepe with black accessories to match. Upon their return they will make their home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams, near Damascus.

ASTROLOGY FOR ALL

The attraction announced for the Holiday week, starting Sunday, December 27th, at the Masonic Auditorium, 13th and New York ave. Washington, is of special interest. Under the title of Astrology For All, it is a series of talks and forecasts, with a general presentation of the science of Astrology, in terms that are described as being understandable to everyone. This attraction is visiting the larger cities only and will be in Washington for the one week only.

It is designed to entertain and interest the general public, as well as students of astrology. Contrary to the general belief, that astrology is a mysticism and beyond the understanding and comprehension of the average person, it is now being presented as a study or science, that is based on mathematics. A person with a knowledge of ordinary mathematics and the assistance of annually published ephemerises, may easily acquire a working knowledge of this science.

This probably is the first attempt along big lines, to ever place this fact before the theatregoing public. The subject for the opening Sunday at 8:30 p. m., will be "Meaning and Uses of Astrology," while the week evenings will be devoted to the different Birth Months, which start approximately at the 20th of each Calendar month. Monday evening is Aires and Taurus, for those persons born in any year from March 20th to May 20th, the others following each evening in order.

4-H Club Awards Made To Girls Of County For Domestic Science Work

Miss Dorothy Emerson, Girls' State 4-H leader, has just sent to the Home Demonstration Agent the 4-H Clothing awards won by Montgomery County 4-H girls during 1936. These awards will be presented at club meetings and school assemblies as fast as Miss Turner can distribute them. Following are the awards presented to the girls:

Ann Shillinger—Subscription to Evelyn Tobey Fashion Service.

Jean Parent—A book "Good Taste in Dress."

Helen Bryan—Scissors.

Edwina Hambleton—"Good Taste in Dress."

Ida Stiles—Scissors.

Catherine Stiles—Scissors.

Elizabeth Daniels—Plaque.

Dorothy Petzer—"Good Taste in Dress."

Virginia Barnes—"Good Taste in Dress."

Coommercial Awards

Jean Parent—Electrolux award.

Caroline Barnsley—Montgomery Ward award.

Edwina Hambleton—Style Revue award.

Ann Beall—Kerr Glass award.

Several of the girls received awards for canning displays which they sent to College Park in November. These have not been received as yet at the office but will be given to the girls shortly.

We are very proud of the fact that the majority of the 190 4-H girls enrolled in the various projects in the county completed their year's work.

During winter months 4-H club work is being carried on only the second Monday week of each month when Miss Judith Ault, Assistant Home Demonstration Agent, is in

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Daniel C. Ifert, Noted Church Worker, Dies

Mr. Daniel C. Ifert, aged 70, retired farmer, died at his home, Woodfield, on Friday, December 18. He was a native of Middletown, and resided in Montgomery county for many years. He was an active worker in Wesley Grove M. E. Church at Woodfield and a leader in the cause of prohibition. He formerly was superintendent of the Woodfield Church.

Mr. Ifert is survived by a sister, Mrs. Mary Dodd, of Middletown, his wife and three sons, Noah Ifert, of Damascus; Christopher Ifert, of Freedom, Md.; Jonathan Ifert, of Woodfield; three daughters: Mrs. Norman Burdette, Mrs. Bernard Lewis, and Mrs. Edward Keith, all of Woodfield.

The funeral services were conducted at the church in Woodfield on Sunday, December 20, at 11 a. m. Burial in Middletown.

Methodist Home Gives A Christmas Breakfast

In keeping with its custom of some years special exercises in observance of Christmas will take place in the dining hall of the Home of the Aged in Gaithersburg. At the regular hour, a breakfast will be served Christmas morning. An elaborate and beautifully decorated tree will grace the scene. After a short religious service under direction of Rev. Herman M. Wilson, superintendent, presents will be taken from the tree and given to each one of the many guests of the institution. Musical numbers appropriate to the day will be rendered. Each succeeding year this Christmas observance grows in enjoyment and importance at the home.

Recently the home had a visitation from the Young People's Department of Central M. E. Church, South, of Baltimore. A musical was given for the entertainment of the inmates, concluding with the serving of a repast. Notice has been received from the Clarendon, Va., M. E. Church, South, that next Monday evening, a large representation will journey here and furnish an entertainment for that evening.

ROAD PROGRAM IS PUSHED IN COUNTY

In Montgomery there are already two specimens of the earlier stages of the work being done under the program out of the county's allotment of road funds. Stretches of both the Comus and the Vier's Mill roads have been widened to 30 feet and subjected to drainage treatment. Later they will be stabilized and given surface treatment.

The stretch on the Comus road is a mile and a half and that on the Viers' Mill road two and a third miles.

Only Thing Unchanged, Unchanging

A song, on that first Christmas,
Led shepherds from their fold;
A gleaming star led wise men
With incense, myrrh and gold;
They sought the lowly manger
Wherein the Christ Child lay
And knelt in silent wonder
Upon that Christmas Day

No more, as on that Christmas,
Shines forth the wondrous star;
No more, as then, come Magi
From Eastern lands afar;
No more come awe-struck shepherds,
As came the shepherds then,
To bow in adoration—
But Christmas comes again.

And still on earth remaineth—
And shall, through ages long—
One thing unchanged, unchanging!
The joyous Christmas song.
So lift ye up, this Christmas,
Your hearts. Lift, as of yore,
Your hearts and voices, raising
The Christmas song once more.