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Canto V — Benjamin Franklin, 1776

Time rolls along and swiftly weaves the minutes into years,
And he who yesterday was great, no longer reappears.
Upon the "Screen":—but yet his name illuminates the page
Whereon is writ a record of the hero and the sage.

Now Mister Ben of all the men who catered for the "Press,"
Left maxims to posterity with merit more or less.
The Constitution bears his name—(an honor truly great),
The rock on which our Freedom rests—the bulwark of the State.

The Declaration's treasured scroll grown musty, old and dim,
Reveals to you his autograph—a monument to him.
He delved into philosophy—into the clouds to find
The agent destined to promote the welfare of mankind.

A latent force of nature stood unveiled to mortal eyes
When he dispatched a tiny kite into the low'ring skies:—
The lightning flashed, and from a key the subtle spark was caught,
And lo! there was revealed a man the "Wonders God hath wrought"!

Of course it never once occurred to Bennie Franklin's mind
What Evolution would disclose—what service man would find
For this intensive element,—a marvel in control—
The Bolt that's revolutionized the earth from pole to pole.

In sanguine dreams he'd never seen this strange phenomenon
Become within a century the rival of the sun:—
Nor did he think the human voice would trail the slender wire,
The globe to circumnavigate to further man's desires.

What if perchance a radio had reached his list'ning ear—
No doubt he'd thought that Satan's imps would presently appear.
Yet, such is life, the one who plants the first productive seed,
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ROCK HALL REPORTER

Mother's Day Observed At Rock Hall

(Delayed Last Week)

Mother's Day services held the center of attention over last week end. The weather was ideal, blooming flowers were used profusely to decorate the church and all conspired to honor living mothers and memory of the dead.

In the M. E. Church there was a short service in honor of "Mother" before the lesson. The audience of 190 included quite a number of visitors. Male members of the choir sang "My Mother's Old Bible is True." The morning lesson read by the pastor, Rev. Conrad Hamer, was Christ's commendation as he hung on the cross of his mother to the care of John, the beloved disciple, and the latter's acceptance of the commission. The text was the fifth commandment, "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God, giveth thee," from the 20th chapter of Exodus. At night Miss Erma Jacob lead in an Epworth League Mother's Day service with some beautiful numbers. Songs: "God's Tomorrow," and "Faith of Our Mothers" was followed by prayer, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"; an instrumental duet by Allan Price and McCall Ayres; a poem, "The Bravest Battle Ever Fought" by Mrs. Albert Bryden; a duet, "When Mother Prayed," by Mrs. Elwood Taylor and Jesse Downey, the latter accompanying on a piano-accordeon; "A Toast to Mother" was given by Miss Alice Thompson, Mrs. Hamer, Miss Mildred Warner, Miss Beatrice Berger and Mrs. Irving Crouch; a recitation, "I Never Can Forget My Mother's Prayer" by Miss Erma Jacob; by request the men sang "My Mother's Old Bible is True"; a duet was sung by Miss Beatrice Berger and Mrs. Frank Barnes; address on the topic by the pastor; "Memories of Mother" by Mrs. Harry Price as a hidden voice sang them; cornet solo by Allan Price; "If You Love Your Mother" by Allan Urie; "Day Is Dying in the West" by congregation; prayer by pastor, benediction and doxology. Class and prayer meeting were held last Wednesday night. On last Monday night the Sunday School Board met and discussed a number of interesting subjects.

Wesley Chapel, with only the church hall available at present and 244 present at Sunday School, had some of the classes taught outside on Mother's Day. The Ladies' Bible Class, with Mrs. William Hastings leader, arranged the program which included solos by Mrs. Thumlert, and Mrs. Leppo, a cornet solo by Jesse Downey, readings by Mrs. Edward Stevens and Mrs. Walter Kelley and vocal selections by the class. The sermon by the pastor, the Rev. W. A. Donoway, was on the theme "Mother." The audience room was very pretty with flowers. At night Mrs. Merritt Thompson lead the service the topic being, "The Art of Making a Happy Home." The program was a song, "Have Thine Own Way"; a scriptural selection by Mrs. Thompson; song, "God's Way"; prayer by Mrs. William Hastings; male chorus, "The Old Rugged Cross"; responsive readings; vocal solo, "She'll Be There" by Emory Hogans, Jr.; reading, "What is Home Without a Mother," by Mrs. Richard Dierker; trio, "My Mother's Prayer," by Doris, Evelyn and Grace Townsend; reading, "Mother's Motto," by Mrs. Edward Stevens; song, "In The Garden"; reading, "The Gift of Motherhood," by Mrs. Edward Townsend; closing song, "God Is Love."

A very pleasant celebration was held Sunday week afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Foreman in honor of the latter's mother, Mrs. Emma Downey's sixty-ninth birthday. The company was composed of her children, grandchildren and friends. The happy hours passed with conversation, singing and viewing the beautiful Chesapeake Bay by which their home is situated. The delectable refreshments were ice cream, cake and fruits. Mrs. Downey was the recipient of some pretty gifts. Those present with the honored one were Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Downey, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Downey, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Warram and three children, Nelson, Harold and Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Foreman and three children, Raymond, Jr., Louise and Ethel; Mr. and Mrs. Morris Messick and daughter, Peggy, of Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Groce and four children, Francis, Carrol, Wenton and Mary, of Hatboro, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Puppe, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stokes, and son, Herbert, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Anothy Lucht, Mrs. Carlton Warram and daughter Barbara, Mrs. Mary Keller, Mr. and Mrs. George N. Coleman, Mrs. Charles Hynson, Mrs. George M. Coleman, Miss Mary Judefind and Miss Sarah Bigelow. All left late in the afternoon wishing Mrs. Downey many more happy birthdays.

MIDDLETOWN DEFEATED BY LOCALS HERE SUNDAY

In a well-played game the Chestertown nine kept its setson's record clear last Sunday by defeating the Middletown, Del., outfit on the Hopewell diamond, 3 to 2.

The Delawareans got away to a two-run lead in the first frame but from that point on, Timko, local speed ball artist, kept the visitors away from the home station. Chestertown began its scoring with a run in the second, tied the score in the sixth and put the winning counter across in the seventh.

The lineup and summary:

Chestertown	Ab	R	H	O	A	E
Russell, lf	3	0	2	1	0	0
Hickman, 3b	4	0	1	0	1	1
Oliffe, c	4	0	0	10	0	1
Bennett, ss	4	1	2	1	5	1
Kennedy, 2b	4	0	0	2	3	0
Clements, 1b	4	0	0	13	1	0
Willis, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Porter, rf	2	2	1	0	0	0
Timko, p	3	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	31	3	7	27	13	3

Middletown	Ab	R	H	O	A	E
Green, cf	4	0	2	1	0	0
W. Williams, lf	4	1	0	0	0	0
Sheets, 1b	4	1	2	12	0	0
Bryan, ss	4	0	1	1	2	2
A. Williams, 3b, c	4	0	0	2	3	0
Aikens, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0
Poore, c, 3b	4	0	1	3	4	0
Heldmyer, 2b	4	0	1	4	1	0
Armstrong, p	2	0	0	1	4	0
Totals	34	2	7	24	14	2

(a) Timko out, bunted thrid strike foul.

Chestertown . . 0 1 0 0 0 1 1 0 x—3
Middletown . . 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2

Double play—Bennett to Kennedy to Clements. Stolen bases—Hickman, Willis, Porter, Bryan. Struck out—by Timko 9, by Armstrong 2. Base on balls—off Timko 1, off Armstrong 2. Umpire—Blackway. Time of game 1.50.

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Second String Nine To Play

Baseball players who have idled on the Washington College bench most of the year will swing into action tomorrow as the Shoremen send a second-string outlt against the nine of St. Andrew's School of Middletown, Del., on the local field.

Tom Kibler will probably send White to the mound with Atry Griems doing the catching. Jim Salter, the regular team's third sacker, may play at first, a position he filled in high school. Kibler would like to take a look at him at this job.

Wilmot, the basketball star, will hold down second with Sleepy Howeth, who relieved Salter, at third, against Delaware, going to shortstop. Rabbitt Abbott will be at third.

In the outfield will be Louis Goldstein, who will captain the second-stringers, Bruehl, Compton and possibly one or two others.

Washington Nine Wins 7 To 2 Over Delaware Outfit

Shoremen Close Strongly To Cop Game

Spotting Delaware a two-run lead in the first inning the Washington College nine finished strongly to gain a 7-2 triumph over the Blue Hens as the athletic rivalry for the year between these two peninsula rivals came to an end here last Saturday afternoon.

Big Ed Evans was on the mound for the Shoremen and save for the first inning, when sloppy play permitted two runs to cross the pan, was never in danger. The southpaw was in good form allowing but five hits and walking but one opponent.

Greenwood, another southpaw, was on the mound for Delaware and his combination of slow, slower and slowest in the way of delivery had the locals baffled in the early innings. But as the game waned they were turning their swings to the easy ones and knocking the ball about sharply.

The lineup and summary:

Delaware	Ab	R	H	O	A
Roberts, c	4	0	0	1	0
Prettyman, 1b	4	0	0	11	1
O'Connel, 2b	4	0	1	4	2
Thompson, 3b	4	0	1	0	2
Hiikman, rf	4	1	1	0	0
Newman, lf	3	1	0	3	0
Foard, cf	4	0	1	2	0
Crompton, ss	4	0	0	1	4
Greenwood, p	2	0	1	2	0
1Payne	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	2	5	24	8

Washington	Ab	R	H	O	A
Berry, ss	2	2	0	3	2
Evans, p	4	0	1	1	2
Tignor, lf	4	0	0	0	0
Nicholson, cf	4	1	1	1	0
Huffman, c	2	2	1	7	0
Bilancioni, 1b	3	0	1	8	3
Salter, 3b	2	0	0	2	2
Howeth, 3b	2	0	1	1	2
Reinhart, 2b	3	0	1	3	3
Turner, rf	4	2	1	1	0
Totals	31	7	7	27	14

1Batted for Greenwood in ninth.

Delaware . . . . 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—2
Washington. . 0 0 1 0 2 1 3 0 x—7

Errors—Crompton 2, Evans, Prettyman 2, Reinhart. Two-base hits—Thompson, Reinhart, Bilancioni. Home run—Huffman. Stolen bases—Turner, Crompton, Newman, Berry. Double play—Bilancioni to Berry; Berry to Bilancioni; Greenwood to Prettyman. Bases on balls—off Greenwood 9; Evans 2. Hit by pitcher—by Evans (Roberts). Struck out—by Evans 6. Umpire—Horsey. Time—2.05.

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Shoremen To Face Mounts This Week

Tom Kibler's Washington College nine will make a bid for the baseball title of the Maryland Intercollegiate Conference on Saturday when it faces the Mt. St. Mary's outfit at Emmittsburg. The Shoremen rest securely in first place at the present time with three victories and no defeats. Mt. St. Mary's was riding high wide and handsome with four wins and no losses prior to last Saturday but on that day the Green Terrors of Western Maryland pulled a surprise victory over the mounds and sent them down a notch in the league ratings.

The title this year, the first the baseball loop has functioned, will be decided on percentage of games won and lost, regardless of the number of games played. On that basis one win in the two games Washington has to play with Mt. St. Mary's and a triumph over Loyola in the game here Decoration Day, would assure the Shoremen of the crown.

The performance of Ed Evans last Saturday was pleasing to Kibler and makes the chances of the locals against the Mounts appear in a happier light. For with Evans ready to take the mound in the event Fountain falters the Shoremen are in a far better position than if Fountain had to be depended upon for the full nine frames.

Following the tilt with Mt. St. Mary's at Emmittsburg the two foes will mingle again on the local diamond next Wednesday and the locals will wind up their intercollegiate season on Memorial Day by entertaining the Loyola nine.

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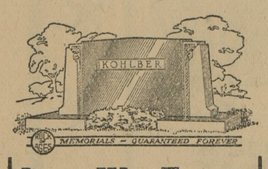
Track Team Ends Season On Friday

Gibby Young and the Washington College track and field team will make their last stand of the season on Friday when they face the West Chester Teachers' College five at West Chester. The Teachers have no slouch of a track and field outfit. They triumphed last Saturday over the University of Delaware by just about the same score the Blue Hens defeated the Shoremen earlier in the season. So Mr. Young and his cohorts have their work cut out.

The Shoremen have improved since the opening of the season with Delaware but whether that improvement is enough to offset the margin that appears to be present only time will tell. Certainly the locals are quite a few points better than when they met Delaware. MacMahon, in the 880-yard and 1-mile runs, is one of the notable improvements and Anderson has come along fast in the field events.



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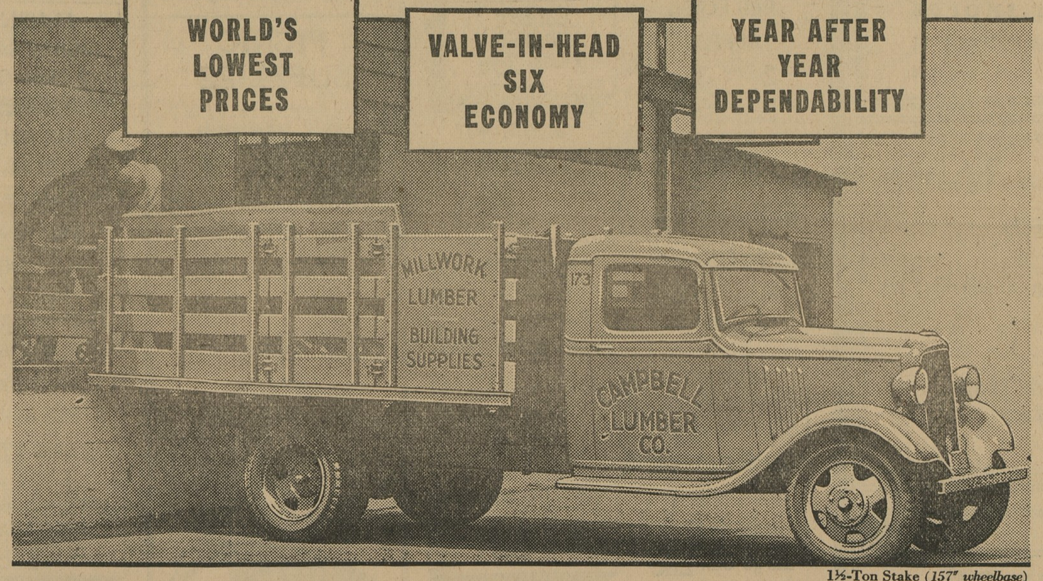

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