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WHERE AMERICAN HISTORY WAS MADE

Chesapeake Bay Country the Birthplace of Seven Presidents

—W. C. Poole in the *Dearborn Independent*—

When the easy-going hospitality and chivalry of the people and transportation companies going out of Baltimore give way to modern efficiency and commercialism, the Chesapeake Bay country in Maryland and Virginia will become a summer garden for American tourists. Baltimore will become the starting point from which thousands of Americans yet unborn will visit a thousand points of historic interest, from the birthplace of our National Anthem on the Patapsco to the first English settlement at Jamestown.

Scarcely does one of the many steamboats which leave Baltimore daily get under way before it passes over the spot where our National Anthem—the "Star Spangled Banner"—was born. Yet I have never seen on a single steamer anything by which the traveler might know when he reaches this sacred spot.

Thousands go to Folchester Beach on the crowded steamers on summer days, but not one of them seems to know that only three miles away is the only battlefield monument on the eastern shore of Maryland, at Chaulk's Field, where Sir Peter Parker was killed in action by the enraged Kent County militia in the war of 1812-15. Nor do they seem to know that old St. Paul's Church, now more than 200 years old, beautifully located among ancient oaks much older, and graves almost as old, is close by. Thousands pass through the beautiful and quaint old town at the head of the Sassafras River, over the state road, without noting the old brick house on the south side of the river and knowing the story of Kitty Knight who lived there in 1812-15 and met the British with her gun ready to fire on the one who came near. The house still stands as a monument to her courage.

Even in Chestertown—the seat of Wash-

ington College—one of the oldest in the country, I found many who did not know that Charles Wilson Peale, one of America's most famous artists, was born there. These points are all reached by various steamboats running out of Baltimore. Over these Kent County roads traveled Colonel Tench Tilghman carrying the news of the surrender of Cornwallis from Yorktown to the Continental Congress in Philadelphia. Over them traveled Lafayette in his visit to America. At Massey Station he is said to have lifted his hat in humble reverence to the Creator for the sight of the most beautiful and fertile land his eyes had ever beheld.

If one takes the boat connecting with the M. D. & V. R. R. to Rehoboth, the end of the ferry is beautiful Kent Island where traders from Virginia settled several years before the officially recorded settlement at St. Mary's, in 1634. Here a fort was built. Here Claibourne ruled in his own way. Here is largely the scene of Churchill's novel, *Richard Carvel*, and William H. Babcock's story *The Tower of Wye*. Here was located the first house of worship in Maryland, according to reliable historians of the Episcopal church. The congregation still remains, though in a different building.

At Easton, as the B. C. & A. R. R. train pulls into the station, still stands on the right in a clump of ancient oaks what is probably the oldest frame meeting-house in America. It was built by the Quakers in 1682 or 1684 and still stands as built. I saw seven of the old handmade benches which were made at the time of the building of the church. It is still owned by the Friends. In it William Penn and George Fox preached, a hundred years before Cornwallis surrendered at Yorktown.

Not far away from Easton is old Whitmarsh parish churchyard where lie interred

the bones of Robert Morris, father of him who walked the streets of Philadelphia and secured enough money to keep the troops of Washington from starving and freezing during the winter at Valley Forge. Near Oxford on the Choptank is the Plimhimmon estate, the home of the Tilghmans. Up the Wye River is Wye Town, the home of the Lloyds—seven generations of whom had a son named Edward so that they were distinguished by Edward Lloyd, the governor, et cetera. Across the Wye River is historic Bennett's Point where I saw the grave of Governor Bennett, buried in 1674.

By the Pocomoke River line of steamers, after touching at historic points on the eastern shore of Virginia, one sails up the river past Rehoboth where yet stands the first Presbyterian church built in America in 1682 by Francis Makemie, "The Presbyterian Apostle to America." Not far away was fought a naval battle between the Maryland authorities of St. Mary's and those of Kent Island in early colonial days. On each side of the Pocomoke River are historic landings between cypress and pine trees which sometimes almost brush the boats. At the head of navigation is Snow Hill, one of Maryland's oldest towns. It disputes with the Rehoboth in Somerset the claim of having the first Presbyterian church in America. The old Episcopal church in this town is said to be more than two hundred years old.

Baltimore had the first steam passenger railroad in America built chiefly by Baltimoreans. For three decades prior to the Civil War, it led the way in progress. It was the center of the first telegraph line and the center of commerce and shipping.

It is only a little way down the bay from Baltimore to Annapolis, reached by steam and trolley line. In the old state house at Annapolis, Washington stood and surrendered his commission. The old buildings still standing make this city worth a day of sight-seeing even if it did not contain the Naval Academy where the admirals who have made the American Navy respected around the world were trained. The Patuxent River line of steamers carries one up the historic Patuxent with its colonial homes on each bank.

The Potomac River line of steamers carries one from a full day and night from Baltimore, to Washington, over the old sailing vessel route, while Washington can be reached in one hour on the B. & O. Penna.

R. R. or by auto.

Two hundred years ago the Potomac River was one of the most important waterways of colonial days. Washington was born near its banks. He traced its stream to its source in his march to Fort Du Quesne, now Pittsburgh. In 1907 on my first trip over it, just after a trip up the Hudson, I said: "In one hundred more years it will be the greatest river in America for homes of millionaires". Already his prediction is coming true.

Near its mouth on the right is St. Mary's city where Maryland was officially settled. Westmoreland County on the left gave America two of its early presidents—George Washington and James Monroe, while a third, James Madison, was born close by at Port Conway across the line in King George's County. Charles County had a larger population at the first census of 1790 than it had in 1920. Old Fort Washington on the Maryland shore looks not unlike an old English castle. Mount Vernon—the home of Washington—is on its Virginia bank a few miles below Washington. The ancient city of Alexandria is only a few miles by trolley from the heart of Washington city; and Arlington the shrine of American soldiers, where lie thousands of dead, known and unknown, was the home of Robert E. Lee.

If one will here take the train to Fredericksburg he enters the heart of our greatest battlefields.

This quaint old city—the home of Washington's boyhood, where he is said to have been the only boy able to throw a shell across the Rappahannock River—was supposed to have been visited by John Smith about 1608 in his efforts to find a waterway to the Pacific Ocean. Around it, the soldiers of the North and South surged and fought for four years of Civil War. Within a circle of 100 miles of it, more lives were lost than in all the other territory of Civil War strife. A few of the old soldiers yet remain.

Fredericksburg battlefield, Chancellorsville, where Stonewall Jackson was shot, Spottsylvania, and many other battlefields are close by, while the bloody fighting around Richmond is not far away—less than a hundred miles to the South. Fredericksburg was the half way place in the direct line between Washington and Richmond. As the Confederates pressed northward the Federals withdrew, the high water mark

of the Confederate armies being Gettysburg for a few days. As the Federal forces pressed forward the Confederates fought harder till Lee surrendered at Appomattox. The Rappahannock River steamboats plying from Baltimore traverse the river at regular dates of sailing.

The York River in Virginia carries one past historic Yorktown where the steamer stops. The little village, so famous in history, does not have 200 inhabitants according to the last census. The Nelson house, the Cornwallis cave where General Cornwallis is said to have sought safety from American cannon balls during the siege, the old hotel, more than 200 years old, the old custom house, still standing and used as a bank, the monument where Cornwallis surrendered his sword—almost every inch of ground seems sacred.

The James River line of steamers carries one down the James River from Richmond over the most historic river in America. The entire country is preserved almost as when the first English colonists settled. What is left of the original Jamestown Island is almost as when the colonists first landed except for the works to preserve the land from the wash of the tide, and historic buildings which have been restored. The old Jamestown church which was burned during Bacon's Rebellion, more than two hundred years ago, was not restored till the Jamestown exposition when I stood within its walls on the very spot John Rolfe stood when he married Pocahontas.

I was told that the church register showed that over six thousand bodies had been interred in the church-yard, but less than a score could be located. On the river shore I picked up what seemed to be pebbles, but found them bits of ancient bricks of former houses which stood where the waves were then washing. A few miles over on the mainland stands Williamsburg—the greatest center of history makers in colonial days. Old Burton Church still stands. The sexton is kept busy guiding visitors through the church and churchyard. Almost every pew has been occupied by some notables in American history. In its churchyard sleep many makers of America. Down the street is old William and Mary college nearly two hundred and fifty years old and next to Harvard the oldest college in America. The old powder horn—built to store powder in more than 200 years ago—still stands, well preserved. A guide and guide book

will show you this old historic town about three hours.

On the south bank of the river, not far down it, in Isle of Wight County stands the old Smithfield Church—built in 1632—and restored since the Civil War on its original foundations. The cluster cities at the mouth of the James reminds one of the cluster which stood at the mouth of the Hudson River.

Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News are destined to be the nuclei of leading cities on the finest harbor in the world within a few years.

Two centuries, and even one century, may find them surpassing New York City. They contain more people than New York did in 1880 and are the gateway of the South where trains will meet the ferry across the Atlantic. Here will come people from the North, East, South and West for climatic and economic reasons. Baltimore at the northern end of the Chesapeake and Norfolk at the other will be the terminals of the greatest water transportation in the world. Nor is the water used only for traffic. Probably a half-million persons, directly and indirectly, are dependent upon this bay and its tributaries for whole or partial livelihood.

This section which is less than two hundred miles long by one hundred and fifty miles abroad, contains the birthplace of nearly a dozen signers of the Declaration of Independence, also seven Presidents: Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, W. H. Harrison, Tyler, and Taylor. Washington and Monroe were born in Westmoreland County on the Potomac River, while Madison was born at Port Conway, in King George's County on the same river. Harrison and Tyler were born in Charles City County on the James River and when Harrison was elected President Tyler was elected Vice-President and finished the unexpired term of President Harrison when the latter died after less than a month in office.

Some day when its stone roads are completed, its steamboat lines are connected for the convenience of the tourist who must travel with speed, and its railroads are scheduled to connect with each other, it will become the tourist garden of America, through which Americans will travel by water, rail, auto and airship, glimpsing the deeds of their fathers.

How the Months Got Their Names

January among the Romans was held sacred to Janus, the two-faced god, from whom it derived its name. It was not universally adopted by European nations as the first month of the year until the 18th century.

February, the second month, was so called because at this time the Februa or feasts to the manes of the dead were celebrated by the Romans.

March was the first month of the Roman year and named after Mars. It was also considered the first month of the year in England until the change of style in 1752, and the legal year was reckoned from the 25th of March. Its last three days were once popularly supposed to have been borrowed by March from April and are proverbially stormy. The peasants in England, Ireland and Scotland still speak of the "borrowing days" and regard them as a time of high winds and unsettled weather.

To the fourth month of our year the Romans gave the name Aprilis, derived from aperire, "to open," probably because it is the season when the buds begin to open. The Anglo-Saxons called it Eastermonth.

The fifth month, May, is derived from Maia, the mother of Mercury, to whom the Romans on the first day offered sacrifices. It was the third month of the Roman year.

The sixth month, June, was held sacred to the goddess Juno, who presided over marriages and was supposed to take care of married women. It consisted originally of 26 days, to which four were added by Romulus, one taken away by Numa, and the month again lengthened to 30 days by Julius Cæsar.

Our seventh month, July, was the fifth with the Romans and hence called Quintilis ("the fifth"). At first it contained 36 days, was reduced to 31, then to 30, but was restored to 31 days by Julius Cæsar, in honor of whom it was named July.

August, the eighth month of the year, was so named after the Emperor Augustus (B. C. 63—A. D. 14). It was previously called Sextilis because it was the sixth month of the Roman year.

September is derived from the Latin *sep-tem*, seven, as it was the seventh month of the Roman year. The Anglo-Saxons called it "Gerst Monath," that is, barley month.

October is derived from the Latin *octo*,

eight, because it was the eighth month of the so-called "year of Romulus," but became the tenth when (according to tradition) Numa changed the commencement of the year to January 1.

November is derived from the Latin *no-vem*, nine, because it was the ninth month of the Roman year at the time when that year consisted of only ten months, and then contained 30 days. It subsequently was decreased to 29 days, but Julius Cæsar added two and made it 31 days. Augustus, however, lessened it by one, and since then it has contained but 30 days.

December is derived from the Latin *de-cem*, ten, because it was the tenth month of the Roman year, although the addition of January and February has made it the twelfth month.

The world is bound to be a dull place to him who meditates mostly upon himself.

The Love of the Twin Cities

Minneapolis will never have anything on St. Paul. Not if St. Paul knows it. A Minneapolis citizen dropped over to St. Paul. He went there simply to find fault. He stopped at a fruit stand and picked up a large watermelon. He said with a sneer:

"Is this the largest apple you have in St. Paul."

"Hey, you rube!" yelled the owner of the fruit-stand, "put that grape down!"—*The News-Post Year Book*.

There is no spring in the mountains but some creature has found it and satisfied its thirst thereat.

He Had a Bite !

A storekeeper who sold fishing tackle, had a large rod hanging outside his shop to which was attached a tin fish. One morning about 4 o'clock, a man, a good deal the worse for his night's enjoyment, caught sight of the rod and artificial fish. He went to the door and knocked. The storekeeper who lived over his store put his head out the window and said, "Who's there?"

"Don't make any noise, but come down at once," was the reply.

Thinking the man was on important business he came down as soon as he got partly dressed.

"Hush!" said the stranger, "Pull your line in quickly. You've got a bite."—*The News-Post Year Book*.

HERE AND THERE AMONG THE DEAF

Miss Blanche Spaur of Butte is now the forewoman of the chocolate dipping department in one of the largest candy stores of Butte known as "Gamers."—*The Rocky Mountain Leader*.

Albert Klopping is building houses and selling them on his own hook. They do tell that he is a good, conscientious contractor. He has Arthur Chappell, a first-class carpenter, with him.—*The Nebraska Journal*.

Ross Koons informs us that he has been promoted to the position of foreman of the Tube Department in the Black Hawk Tire and Rubber Company factory in Des Moines. We congratulate Ross, as we feel sure his promotion was merited.—*The Iowa Hawkeye*.

John Haggerty is still running a pocket-billiard parlor and a cigar store on 42 Old Dwight Street, Springfield. He expects to enlarge his business soon. Should any of you ever happen to be in Springfield, don't forget to stop at his place and you will be assured of a hearty welcome.—*The New Era*.

William F. Durian has been promoted to the position of Head Printer in the printing department of the Fuller Brush Company. His promotion is the more commendable for it was only a year ago that he came here from Canton, Ohio to make his home with his son, Walter. During the past year, he has been attending to his work faithfully, doing all kinds of work and there was, indeed, nothing that he could not do. This did not escape the notice of his superiors hence the advancement. We congratulate Mr. Durian on his success and wish him many more years of usefulness with the company.—*The New Era*.

The list of deaf inventors now bears one more name, that of Edwin M. Hazel of Omaha. His invention, fully copyrighted and protected by application for patent, consists of a most ingenious chart for the use of presiding officers and others interested in getting instantly the authoritative standing of any question arising in a deliberative assembly. It is called "Hazel's Handy Pocket Parliamentary Chart," and is based upon Robert's Rules of Order and

other accepted authorities.

By the use of Hazel's Handy Chart decisions on any and all questions may be instantly found on the face of a revolving disc centered on a printed chart listing all ordinary questions and usages of deliberative assemblies. The chart lists the questions and symbols arranged to appear on the revolving disc indicate what action may legally be taken on any question. Thus, by revolving the disc until an arrow points to the question involved, one may read instantly just what he may legally do with the question.

This pocket chart is made especially for deliberative assemblies, such as clubs, lodges, conventions and organizations, for instant, dependable decisions. It is simple and positive in its quick decisions, and over 350 questions are answered on its face without delay.—*The Iowa Hawkeye*.

David Friedman is a general chemist for the Stadler Products Company of Cleveland, Ohio.

His position is a very responsible one for upon his analysis of all material depends its value to the company. After making analyses he must report to the company and the company is governed accordingly.

He was placed in this responsible position with some misgivings on the part of the company but after the trial his work was so satisfactory that no longer any doubts remain in the minds of the officers.

David writes that he works early and late and all through the day endeavors to be exact in all of his measures and calculations. He gets a good salary and is very happy in his work. What more could one ask in this life?

David always was a fine boy. While in school he did his best and was promoted from year to year. He never gave the school any trouble. He always honored his teachers and officers. After graduation he went to college for five years and specialized in chemistry. He is now one of the leading chemists in the great city of Cleveland. He is quiet in his manner and always dignified and polite.

The deaf boys now in school looking forward to useful lives for themselves could well afford to study a successful deaf man like David Friedman.—*The Ohio Chronicle*.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

The Boy Who Ran After the Stage Coach

His name was George Frederick and he was born in a quaint little town of Germany, two hundred and forty years ago, (about the very time that William Penn was founding Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love). His father was a barber, surgeon and dentist of Halle, for, in those days, barbers cared for bodies as well as beards! And a stern severe old barber he was, who determined the day George Frederick was born, that his son must grow up a lawyer.

Poor little George Frederick, knew nothing of this. He only knew that from the time he could remember, he loved music better than anything in the world, and that music was always forbidden him. His father thought it a namby-pamby business; he allowed no musical instrument in the house, and even kept George Frederick home from school for fear he might learn a scale or two!

But there was music in George Frederick's heart, and not even a stern old barber father could stop it. Somebody, probably his mother, helped the little boy to drag a rickety old spinet into the attic where he slept. (The spinet was a sort of feeble great-grandfather of our piano.) So when all the family were safely asleep, little George Frederick would crawl out of bed and practise and practise on the spinet till his fingers ached and eyes blinked with sleep.

He was only seven years old, and practising in secret every night, when one day his father started on a visit to George Frederick's elder brother, a page in the household of the Duke of Saxe-Weissenfels. The little boy begged and teased to go, but his father refused. So the stage-coach drove up, father climbed in and off clattered the horses. But why were all the passengers craning their necks out of the window? George Frederick's father looked out. There in the road behind them ran a small, determined figure—his son!

Perhaps the old barber was pleased with his boy's persistence, or perhaps he was cross. At any rate, he called to the driver to stop the coach and pulled in poor little panting George Frederick.

Of course, once at the estate of the Duke, it did not take the little boy long to discover

the wonderful organ in the Duke's chapel. And somehow one day he managed to steal in and take the organist's seat. Though he had never had a lesson in his life, beautiful sounds began to peal forth from under those seven-year-old fingers. The Duke, who was a musician himself, heard, and went to see the stranger organist. There sat a small boy—George Frederick!

The surprised Duke chatted with him kindly and when he understood his love for music, he told George Frederick's father it was wicked to make a lawyer of such a talented young musician. Little George Frederick was sent to study with the organist in the Halle Cathedral.

Long and hard he worked, but it was all joy for George Frederick. He learned to play the organ, the violin, the oboe and the harpsichord (another great-grandfather of the piano). Before he was nine years old, he was composing his own piece and playing the organ on Sunday morning in the cathedral.

At last his old teacher declared that his pupil knew more than he, and when he was only eleven, George Frederick was sent to Berlin to study and to meet other musicians.

When his father died he managed to send money to his mother and yet save enough to travel in Italy to hear music and to meet the great musicians of the day. When at last he journeyed to London, a grown man, his success there was so great, that he made England his home.

Probably his music that you know best is "The Harmonious Blacksmith," and his oratorios, "The Messiah," with its famous "Hallelujah Chorus" and its beautiful "I Know that My Redeemer Liveth."

It was Handel—George Frederick Handel, one of the great musicians of the world, the boy who ran after the stagecoach and found his dreams come true at the end of the road. *The Little Delineator.*

There are five little words, I'd have you to know: they are "Pardon Me," "Thank You" and "Please."

Oh use them quite often wherever you go;

There are few words more useful than these.

These five little words are filled with a power

That money or fame can not give,

So commit them to memory this very hour—

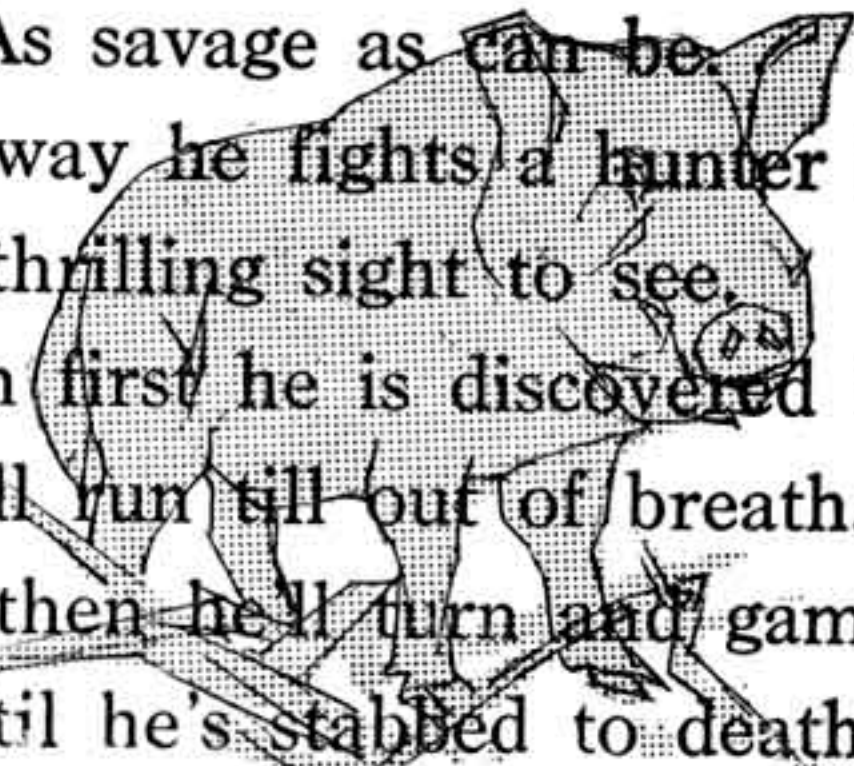
Use them as long as you live.

—Florence A. Richardson.

ANIMAL STORIES

NO. 13. WILD BOAR

THE wild boar lives in Africa,
 As savage as can be.
 The way he fights a hunter is
 A thrilling sight to see.
 When first he is discovered he
 Will run till out of breath.
 And then he'll turn and gamely fight
 Until he's stabbed to death.



True pigs are found only in the Old World, and even there in very widely different forms. Typical of these quadrupeds is the well-known *Wild Boar*, found abundantly in many parts of Europe, North Africa, Asia Minor, and Central Asia. In the British Islands the wild boar must once have been extraordinarily plentiful, especially in Ireland, where its tame descendants still so greatly flourish. In the days of the Plantagenets wild swine fed and sheltered in the woodlands close to London. James I. hunted them near Windsor in 1617, and even down to the year 1683 these animals still had their haunts in the more secluded parts of England. Although now extinct in these Islands, the wild boar is to be found plentifully at the present day in France, Germany, Austria, Russia, and Spain, Greece, Albania, and other countries of the Mediterranean. In most parts of Europe the wild boar is shot during forest drives, but in the Caucasus and round the Black Sea the hardy peasants lie in wait for these animals by the fruit-trees on autumn nights or way lay them going to the water and shoot them single-handed. Many an old Cossack, writes Mr. Clive Phillipps-Wolley, bears the scars of some desperate encounter with these formidable foes. In Spain, where in the old days the boar was pursued by cavaliers with spear and pike, it is still, in the forests of

Estremadura, followed with horse and hound, usually, says Mr. Abel Chapman, "during the stillness of a moonlight night, when the acorns are falling from the oaks in the magnificent Estremenian woods."

In India the wild boar of Europe and North Africa is replaced by a closely allied species (distinguished by a crest of long black bristles upon the neck and back), which furnishes some of the finest and most exciting sport in the world to mounted hunters armed with a sharp spear. There is not a pluckier or more fearless beast living than the boar; and as he carries long and extremely sharp tusks, and never scruples to use them, he is an exceedingly dangerous opponent when wounded and enraged. Severe and even fatal accidents have happened in the pursuit of this determined beast of chase. When at bay, the boar is absolutely reckless of life; and although pierced and mortally wounded by the spear, will yet force himself up the shaft, and with his dying effort inflict gaping wounds on the horse bearing his attacker. Indian shikaris, to illustrate the courage of the wild boar, say that he has the hardihood to drink at a river between two tigers. A wild boar will stand as much as 3 feet at the shoulder and weigh more than 300 lbs. The finest boar's tusk known measures 11½ inches over the curve.—*National History Library.*

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Financial Report of Athletic Association

The Maryland School Athletic Association has for some years taken pride in the fact that it has been instrumental in making the boys' athletics at the school self supporting. For a number of years the disbursements practically equalled the receipts and at times the school was called upon to make up minor deficits. Last year however, the association took a rapid stride forward, due primarily to the additional receipts for games in the new gymnasium, friends in the city having taken more interest in our basket ball games.

The present financial standing of the Athletic Association is as follows:

RECEIPTS			
Balance on Hand, Sept. 15, '26.		\$206.30	
Contributions		29.50	
Sale of Candies		41.95	
Athletic Supplies		12.60	
Central High School game		7.50	
Alumni game		39.95	
Total		\$337.80	
DISBURSEMENTS			
Athletic Supplies		\$ 30.70	
Basket Ball Posters		4.25	
Cash Box		2.00	
Central High School		15.00	
Mr. Quinn, Referee		5.00	
Auto to Westminster High School		10.00	
M. S. S. D. Alumni		11.00	
E. M. Gallaudet Memorial Fund		33.70	
Total		\$111.65	
On deposit	\$200.00		
Bank balance	7.50	Receipts	\$337.80
On hand	18.65	Disburse.	111.65
	\$226.15	Balance	\$226.15
J. A. McVernon, Treasurer.			
Jan. 10, 1927.			

Christmas Program

Prior to the departure of the pupils for their Christmas vacation, a Christmas entertainment was held in the school chapel. As usual a large Christmas tree ornamentally decorated and bearing strings of colored electric lights formed the center of attraction on the stage while the chandeliers and railing leading to the chapel were decorated with laurel. The following program was rendered:

Lord's Prayer

Primary Department

Mrs. Merrill's, Miss Greiner's, Mrs. Henderson's Classes
Christmas Carol Who Was Born on Christmas Day

Kindergarten

Miss Henning's, Miss Kinsman's Classes
Santa Claus and His Mechanical Toys
Santa Claus George Singer
Mrs. Santa Claus Doris Faupel
Recitation
A Christmas Carol Rossetti

Vera Draper

Advanced Department

Miss Kent's Class

A Play

The Birds' Christmas Carol Wiggin
Intermediate Department

Miss Bickford's, Miss Stonebraker's Classes

An Evening Prayer

Christmas Carols
1. Holy Night
2. We Three Kings

Recitation

Jest 'fore Christmas Riley
Mitchell Pumphrey

Ball Drill

Intermediate Department

Miss Bickford's, Miss Stonebraker's Classes

Christmas Carols

Miss Haight's, Miss Smith's Classes

1. Away in a Manger
2. O Little Town of Bethlehem

Address Rev. Carl B. Ylvisaker
Address Dr. Joseph H. Apple

Christmas Carols

Advanced Department

Miss Kent's, Miss Radcliffe's Classes

1. Hark, the Herald Angels
2. There's a Song in the Air
3. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear

Benediction Rev. U. S. G. Rupp

Mr. Duvall New Member of Board

A vacancy on the Board of Visitors was recently created through the resignation of Judge F. Neal Park of Westminster. Governor Ritchie has appointed Mr. Samuel Grafton Duvall of Frederick to fill the vacancy. Mr. Duvall is well qualified for the position and will make a valuable member of the Board.

The Code—A Reply

The editor of the *Virginia Guide* in his leading editorial of December discusses our criticism of the "Code" and concludes with the statement that, "Any other conclusion is untenable". We are not in the habit of presenting the "untenable" and as the author of the Code in the Christmas issue of the *Utah Eagle* states—"We like criticism, for we want the other fellow's reaction and his point of view", we shall again endeavor to make our position clear.

By modifying articles 7 and eliminating article 9 of the Code, there would still be "set forth certain principles or ideals for the guidance of members of our profession." Is it not logical to support a Code for what it sets up as a desirable goal and at the same time criticize it for dictating how this goal may be obtained? Our contention is that the profession is practically unanimous in its support of the "More and Better English" slogan, but many of its leading members are not willing to eliminate signs from chapel exercises nor do they deem it essential that signs be eliminated in the education of a small percentage of deaf pupils, under certain conditions.

Perhaps no one was more interested in the major portion of the Code than the writer. The first paper suggested by us in drawing up a tentative program for the Frederick Conference was a presentation of the Code which after such a spirited discussion was tabled at St. Augustine. We expressed regrets to the author of the Code at that time because of the failure to pass certain amendments which would have brought a favorable vote in support of the Code. As previously stated we labored diligently to have the articles in question withdrawn before the Code was presented.

What has become of the superintendent who but a short time ago stated that he would not be held responsible for the moral conduct of his pupils if he were deprived of the use of the sign language?

We do not propose to treat any code so lightly that we will shout its praises from the house tops, all the while conscious of the fact that some of its regulations are contrary to our views and practices.

The *Guide* as well as the *Western Pennsylvanian* recently devoted practically their entire space to articles on more and better English. Many of these articles are excellent and we concur with practically every

sentiment expressed. All of which can be consistently done despite opposition to article nine of the Code. We have met with considerable success in bringing about both better speech and better English in our own school. We have always contended that finger spelling is English and should supplant signs wherever possible in manual classes. We are opposed to finger spelling in oral classes, feeling assured that a certain percentage of deaf children can be educated purely by the oral method.

That the sign language should be eliminated from *all* departments as a means of instruction, is too drastic a statement and is not the opinion of a majority of Superintendents. May we refer to the statement made by Dr. Percival Hall, President of Gallaudet College, as printed in the above mentioned issue of the *Guide*. After referring to the mentality test given in a number of schools by Dr. Rudolph Pintner of the University of Ohio, and to the survey made by Professor Fufeld and Professor Day, he draws the following conclusion. "But it seems on the face of it, absurd to expect to develop to the best advantage mentally all deaf children some of whom enter school late, some born deaf, some partially deaf, and some low down in the mental scale while others are very high, by any one narrow method." To further quote Dr. Hall in the same article—"Nor has anything yet been discovered to take the place of the sign language in the quickening and awakening of some children, and in the presentation of interesting matter graphically and clearly to large bodies of deaf people." In our criticism of the Code we made this statement: "So long as we see every day the wonderful results obtained in our class of retarded children who are permitted to communicate in signs, thereby getting ideas as a foundation upon which to build language, we shall not instruct the teacher of our *backward* pupils to discard the sign language as a means of instruction. In other words *all departments*, as used in article nine eliminates that article from use so far as we are concerned.

From the Biennial Report of the President of the Florida School which just came to hand, we quote: "In the department of the deaf experience has proven that no one or single method will meet the needs of all the deaf children, therefore the combined system, or eclectic system, is used in the school. This method is in general use

throughout the country. It is a method which includes all systems which the test of time has approved. Especial attention is given to oral instruction. If, after a fair trial he shows no adaptability or progress, he is transferred to a manual class." This substantially expresses the view held by a large number of superintendents.

No criticism of other methods is here intended. Some interesting facts have come to light within the past score of years which prove how public sentiment shifts backward and forward. The manual alphabet has been used in the education of deaf children in the United States since 1817, but a few years ago it was the advocate of manualism who dared express the view that finger spelling was English. To many a so-called pure oralist, it was linked with the sign language and should under no circumstances be used. As recently as 1920 we had an interesting opportunity to hear this theory advanced and refuted. At the request of Dr. Crouter we addressed the faculty at Mt Airy on the subject of Military Training. In the discussion which followed the athletic instructor rose to explain that the system could not be adopted at Mt. Airy, because it involved the use of finger spelling in giving commands. Dr. Crouter replied that he had no objection to commands being spelled on the fingers, adding that all the boys were conversant with finger spelling and furthermore declaring that under such conditions he would not object to signs being used for such are at times employed even in the regular army. Evidently views relative to finger spelling are broadening. May we not hope that signs also may find their proper status in our scheme of education.

It has been the abuse of spelling and signs that has placed both of these in disfavor. To quote Mr. Driggs: "I love the sign language I know how to use it well. It is a great boon to the deaf. They love it dearly, too dearly sometimes. I wish every deaf child could be taught to speak well and read the lips well. These things are wonderful accomplishments and much to be desired." In the *Western Pennsylvanian* "Language Number" the editorial which is an urgent appeal for every one about the school to use more English, concludes thus. "After English is mastered, we can see no objection to the use of the sign language.

Should not such veteran teachers of English as Smith of Minnesota and McClure of

Kentucky be reckoned with? Read their mild but thought provoking comments. Superintendent Caldwell in the *California News* cautiously inquires, "We should like to know whether "Ninth" eliminates the use of signs in chapel." The *Kansas Star* comments more flippantly concerning the whole matter. Let us hear from the rest. Indications are that educators of the deaf are more closely united as to policies and practices now than ever before.

What we had hoped for was a Code which could have been printed in bold type and placed in every class room of our school and that is why we are disappointed.

Acme Paper Cutter Installed

We have just added to our printing equipment an Acme Paper Cutter with a 31-inch blade. The cutter is run by a two horse power motor. This should eliminate the ragged edges which at times have appeared on our BULLETINS, the old hand power cutter having practically out-lived its usefulness.

Colorado School Calendar

Just as we were about to detail of receiving a desk calendar to replace the one of last year, the Colorado School kindly remembered us again with the handiwork of their print shop. The calendar bears an attractive picture representing poultry and egg product, a feature of the Colorado School.

Improved Appearance of the Optic

One of the brightest and neatest little magazines to reach the Exchange desk this month is the *Arkansas Optic*. Incidentally we hope the authorities may be successful in convincing the Legislature of the real need for the modest building program which is being requested in the Biennial Report of the Arkansas School.

Senator McCardell at the School

Senator elect, Mr. A. LeRoy McCardell was an interested visitor at the school Thursday December 16th. Mr. McCardell had an opportunity to visit class rooms, to hear the children at rhythm, to see our trades building and gymnasium and also to get first hand information concerning our absolute need for a new school building. In Senator McCardell the Maryland School will have a friend in the Legislature who will sponsor the needs of our institution should any controversy arise as to the appropriation for the coming biennial period.

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Miss Henning in Charge

“A bunch of golden keys is mine
To make each day with gladness shine.

‘Good Morning’, that’s the golden key
That unlocks every day for me.

When evening comes, ‘Good Night’ I say
And close the door of each glad day.

When at the table, ‘If you please’
I take from off my bunch of keys.

When friends give anything to me,
I use the little ‘Thank you’ key.

‘Excuse me’ ‘Beg your pardon’, too,
When by mistake some harm I do.

Or if unkindly harm I’ve given
With ‘Forgive me’ I shall be forgiven.

On a golden ring these keys I’ll bind;
This is the motto; ‘Be ye kind’.

I’ll often use each golden key
And then a child polite I’ll be.”

—Selected.

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Give your hair a nice little brush;
Do not be in too great a rush.
Keep your nails clean,
So they will be fit to be seen.
Brush your teeth every day,
To keep the decay away—

Those interested in our school will be glad to know that it has received an appropriation sufficiently large to cover a new building, which we hope will be finished by next September.

One day last December my folks and I motored to Philadelphia and went through Wanamaker's store. It is the most wonderful store that I was ever in. It is so immense and beautiful.—Evelyn Townsend.

Tuesday afternoon for the first time the Buick team was beaten in basketball by the Nash team. Then the Ford team came along and downed the Buicks. I am for the Nash team. Which team do you favor?—Brooks Russell.

This afternoon our senior team played a game of basketball with the Central High School, of Washington, D. C., on their court. Last December they downed us, but we turned the tables on them this time winning by the very close margin of 24 to 23,—Irvin King.

One night last week some girls and I went to the chapel with Miss Kent and Mr. Bjorlee to have a meeting about joining the Camp Fire Girls. Twelve girls joined and I know we will enjoy going out hiking and other sports and have lots of fun together, when we get the book on Camp Fire Girls, we start to study. I wonder if any of you know, what "Wohelo"

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means? Tell me the answer if you think you know.
Virginia Brushwood.

A JOURNAL

CLASS 1-A

Sheldon Blumenthal came back to school this morning. The boys and girls were glad to see him.

Yesterday afternoon some of the small boys played games in the gym. They had fun.

Last night some of the small girls played they were soldiers. They played they were at war.

A JOURNAL

CLASS 2-B.

We went to the chapel this morning. I played with Catheline Dye yesterday. Miss Greiner went to town yesterday. Herbert Frey has a new suit. His mother gave it to him.

Mareen Darby did not return to school Monday.

George Singer received a nice letter from his mother yesterday morning.

BOY SCOUT NEWS

From Feb. 6th to 13th, the Boy Scouts all over the U. S. will celebrate the 17th anniversary of the founding of the organization of Boy Scouts of America, by doing good turns daily, by attending each session of the local councils, and by wearing their uniforms, etc.—John Ross.

The Boy Scouts held their regular weekly meeting at their headquarters in the basement. During their business session, the subject of the Frederick County Scout Race was brought up. Troop 8, which is our number, is now in second place, only five points behind the Middletown troop. Troop 8 was very sorry that Roscoe Houpt of Troop 16 is sick and hope he will be his usual self again soon.—Marion Cramer.

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CURRENT EVENTS

Charlotte, former empress of Mexico as the wife of Maximillian died at her chateau near Brussels Jan. 19, aged 86.

Last year was the biggest year in the history of the automobile industry in the United States. A total of nearly 4½ million motor cars were made, of which 530,000 were trucks.

FAMOUS MEN BORN IN JANUARY

The birthdays of three famous men came this week Benjamin Franklin a famous American statesman who helped to write the Declaration of Independence and who first found out that lightning and electricity were the same thing, was born Jan. 17, 1706.

Robert E. Lee a man of brilliant intellect, one of America's greatest soldiers, and military leader of the Confederacy, and after the Civil War president of Washington and Lee University, Virginia, was born Jan. 19, 1807. Thomas J. Jackson, commonly known as "Stonewall Jackson," a military genius, admired by friends and foes alike and noted for his religious determination to do the right thing hence the name "Stonewall" was born Jan. 21, 1824. The figures of Lee and Jackson are both carved on the famous Stone Mountain in Georgia.

BOY SCOUT HEROES

Fourteen Boy Scouts have just been granted life-saving awards by the National Court of Honor, Boy Scouts of America. They have received certificates and personal letters from Daniel Carter Beard, National Scout Commissioner and chairman of the Court of Honor. All the awards were for rescues from drowning. Five of the boys who risked their lives in saving others, also received gold medals.

Legislation and Deaf Autoists.

In the *Missouri Record* of January 8th we note an article relating to deaf drivers of that state. With reference to the Maryland situation we would again state that the deaf were not caught napping. In any state where the automobile commissioner is empowered with full discretionary powers, the deaf may find themselves barred from receiving permits without the slightest warning. If the proposed legislation in Missouri gives more power to an individual, then her deaf may be discriminated against without a word of warning.

The deaf themselves know only too well how difficult it is to make the hearing world appreciate their capabilities. We have approached dozens of men who emphatically stated that they felt it unwise to permit the deaf to drive. Usually a lengthy conversation brought about the desired change of mind. Few men would be willing to give the time and attention required to overcome such a preconceived notion unaided by outside influences. Accordingly we are striving to get additional concessions for deaf drivers of Maryland without appealing to the Legislature.

All American Editorial Team

Lest the editorial pages of our exchanges become too serious in tone, the Stoker of the Melting Pot in the *Oklahoman* has contributed an original bit of humor in the form of an "All American Editorial Team." We have taken considerable liberty in reprinting the following extracts from the original article.

Left End	Smith, Illinois
Left Tackle	Jones, Ohio
Left Guard	Fusfeld, Washington
Center	Anderson, Iowa
Right Guard	Bray, Wisconsin
Right Tackle	Bjorlee, Maryland
Right End	Foltz, Kansas
Quarterback	Scott, Mississippi
Left Halfback	Blattner, Oklahoma
Right Halfback	Taylor, Montana
Fullback	Walker, South Carolina

Smith and Foltz get the wing positions because they are fast in getting down the field under punts, a polite name for kick.

Jones and Bjorlee are placed at tackle. The reason is obvious. They tackle their editorial page for all they are worth and are steady under fire.

Bray and Fusfeld get our vote as guards. Bray has shown himself to be a power on

the defense. Fusfeld has carefully shielded the results of the survey with a smoke-screen.

Anderson gets the pivot position. He can hit a fly at ten paces and hit hard, too. He will help give the line the steadying effect needed for smart charging.

Scott will call signals. He isn't afraid to ask for sorghum, turkeys or short skirts. He is for variety in play and we look for him to be a good field general.

Blattner and Taylor are logical halfback choices. Both can carry the argument deep into foreign territory on the slightest provocation.

Walker is needed at fullback his thrusts are short, sharp and effective. He usually opens up a hole, too. We also nominate him to do all the punting since he has the ability to kick squarely.

True to form Fullback Walker registers the first kick. He wants to substitute Caldwell of California, who always has "the upper hand at the End" for Col. Smith of Illinois who is "too valuable to assign to any one position. Why not make him manager and boss the whole team?" Underhill of North Carolina and Travis of Indiana are also suggested as substitutes, and rightly so.

There will probably be no objections so long as additions and not subtractions to the team are proposed. We predict the appearance of a second All American Editorial team ere long.

The Junior Bulletin

A copy of the *Junior Bulletin* is this month being sent out with each copy of the BULLETIN. This little paper printed tri-weekly contains the original composition work of the pupils together with interesting items of news. Each member of the teaching staff is assigned to paper duty one week at a time. Only hand set type is employed, thus giving the boys an opportunity to use some of the material they make up. The *Junior Bulletin* succeeds a daily sheet which was printed for several years and but recently discontinued.

Changes in Teaching Staff

These are days for establishing records. In the matter of speed we believe the following little episode entitles us to some consideration.

A long distance telephone communication from Washington, on Friday evening, Janu-

ary 7, announced to Miss Ruby Ford that a gentleman friend had unexpectedly taken a trip East and would pay Frederick a visit that evening. The following morning the young lady was released from her teacher's contract. By ten o'clock the young folks were on their way to Washington where they were married the same afternoon, departing on the evening train for their new home in Silex, Missouri. Miss Ford had only been with us since September but her amiable disposition had won for her many friends at the school and every one joins in extending congratulations to Mr. Frank L. Williams and very best of good wishes to Mrs. Williams.

An additional teacher, Miss Lois Montgomery of Sulphur, Oklahoma, had just arrived since the holidays. Accordingly a shift was made whereby Mrs. Henderson, with the required training for Home Economics as well as primary grade work, took over the Domestic Science classes while Miss Montgomery was assigned to the most advanced class of the primary department.

Robert P. MacGregor

It was quite a shock when we learned, through the *Ohio Chronicle*, of the tragic death of Mr. Robert P. MacGregor, of Ohio. On the evening of December 21 he had gone out to mail some Christmas cards and packages and while crossing the street was struck by an auto. He died ten minutes later.

Bob MacGregor, as he was popularly and affectionately known, was a picturesque figure at conventions and gatherings of the deaf, and stood out a recognized leader among them. He belonged to the early generation of Gallaudet College graduates, being a member of the class of 1872, which was the third class to graduate from that institution.

For three years after his graduation he taught in the Maryland School and in 1875 resigned from there to go to Cincinnati and start a day school. He continued six years as its head and then, in 1882, was appointed principal of the Colorado School. There he remained only one year, then accepted a position in his Alma Mater at Columbus. Six years later he resigned to accept the principalship of the St. Louis Day School for the Deaf but one year was enough and he returned to Columbus where

he taught until his retirement on a pension in 1920.

A graphic sign maker and endowed with the qualities of leadership, he early became prominent in the affairs of the deaf. He was identified with the founding of the National Association of the Deaf and was its first permanent president.

He is best known among the deaf of the country as an aggressive exponent of the Combined System which he consistently advocated in and out of season, and was an uncompromising foe of pure oralism. He was a forceful and convincing writer and an eloquent speaker and whatever he wrote or said received most respectful attention from friend and foe alike. Most of his writings on this subject appeared in the *National Exponent*, of which he was chief editor during the years of its existence, 1894-96. But he continued to write and voice his arguments through the columns of the deaf press whenever occasion offered opportunity.

As a sign maker he had no superiors and was probably the most popular among deaf orators. His long arms and tall stature with his great power of expression made his delivery vivid and fascinating.

He was 77 years old. His wife died several years ago and since then he had been making his home at Grove City with his daughter Bessie who is a teacher in the Ohio School. One other daughter, Jennet also survives him. She is doing social work in an eastern city.—*J. S. L. in Iowa Hawkeye.*

Unique Frederick Industry

By far the greatest number of goldfish grown in the United States come from Frederick County. In the past ten years the industry has increased some 200 per cent in that county until the production this year is conservatively estimated at 7,000,000.

Since the average selling price for goldfish is about \$20 per 1,000; it is safe to say that the county will pocket some \$140,000 this year.

Perhaps one quarter of the acreage devoted to goldfish in Frederick county is controlled by one company. The remaining three-quarters is portioned out in small lots. Many farmers devote a few acres, otherwise unproductive, to goldfish ponds and reap several hundred dollars yearly

from a small investment.

There are about 400 acres in ponds in the county. In size they vary. One individual pond is eleven acres in extent. Others cover only a few feet.

The largest shipping point is Adamstown and from there two carloads are sent every week in addition to smaller shipments each day. Fish are shipped in galvanized iron containers, five and ten gallon sizes. The large cans contain from 500 to 1,000 fish, the number governed by the weather conditions and by the size of the fish. In warm weather fewer fish are put in the cans than in the winter.

From Frederick County the goldfish go to every State in the Union and to Canada. They are usually shipped to jobbers in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia or Toledo. From these points they go to drug stores, pet shops and 5 and 10-cent stores.
—*Baltimore Sun*.

Christmas Treat

The pupils and teachers were again treated at Christmas to pound boxes of chocolates and oranges by Mr. John K. Shaw. Mrs. Ida Watner Levy, of Amarillo, Texas, also remembered the underprivileged children at Christmas time; while the annual gift from Mr. Isaac H. Moss enabled us to so arrange that every child could have the benefit of the Christmas vacation, either at home or in the home of friends.

Where Teachers Spent Christmas

The following members of our teaching staff spent part or all of their Christmas vacation visiting at the following places: Mr. Gale, Frederick; Miss Surber, Staunton, Virginia; Miss Kent, Washington; Miss Young and Mr. Faupel, Frederick; Miss Radcliffe, Washington; Miss Smith, Mercersburg, Pa.; Miss Cason, Clarendon, Virginia; Miss Haight and Miss Greiner, Ashland, Ohio; Miss McAndrew, Glenside, Pennsylvania; Miss Bickford, Gloucester, Mass.; Miss Stonebraker, Monongahela City, Pa.; Mrs. Henderson, Philadelphia and New York; Mrs. Merrill, East Lyme, Conn.; Miss Kinsman, Ironwood, Mich.; Miss Henning, Romney and Springfield, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Bjorlee spent the week between Christmas and New Year at their log cabin retreat in the mountains near Pine Grove Furnace, Pennsylvania.

LOCAL NEWS

Since the holidays the print shop department has been busily employed in getting out the Biennial Report.

The pupils very appreciatively remembered the Superintendent at Christmas time by presenting him with a handsome lounging jacket.

A delegation of Frederick Rotarians motored to Hagerstown on December 16th to attend an intercity meeting and hear Rotarian Harry Lauder of Glasgow, Scotland.

On the evening of December 14th a meeting of the Frederick County Boy Scout Council was held at the school. Arrangements were made for completing the budget campaign.

On December 15th Mr. Shaw and Mr. Bjorlee discussed with Governor Ritchie the school budget for the coming biennial period. Plans for a new building were particularly stressed and Governor Ritchie's support of the building program was practically assured.

Rev. Carl B. Ylvisaker of Northwood, Iowa, arrived in Frederick on December 17 for a brief visit. He was invited to address the pupils at their Christmas Tree exercises. Rev. Ylvisaker was on his way to Palestine where he will spend six months at study prior to assuming his new duties as head of the Department of Religion at Concordia College, Minnesota.

With Miss Margaret Kent as Guardian, we have organized our first group of Camp Fire Girls at the school. With Evelyn Townsend as Assistant Guardian the following girls constitute the group:

Jeannette Blumberg	Audrey Ode
Elsie Hobson	Virginia Brushwood
Josephine Fannelli	Virginia King
Mary Russell	Yetta Summerfeld
Edna Brewer	Arietta DeGrange
Dorothy Myers	Mary Saylor

During his first few days in camp, Brown was the victim of so many practical jokes that he doubted all men and their motives. One night while he was on guard, the tall figure of one of the officers loomed up in the darkness before him.

"Who goes there?" he challenged.

"Major Moses," replied the officer.

Brown scented a new joke.

"Glad to meet you, Moses," he said cheerfully, "Advance and give the ten commandments."

ALUMNI AND OTHER DEAF

Mr. Walter Swope was a week end caller at the school January 14-16.

The sympathy of his friends goes out to Mr. Lester Miner who grieves the passing away of a loving mother. She was called to the Beyond as the year was taking its leave.

With the coming of balmy weather days Howard Hood, "shoe-doctor" of Mt. Airy will be seen spinning, sporting, speeding on the highways and byways of Maryland in a swell new Oldsmobile roadster.

The engagement of Miss Nellie Swope, bathing beauty, who carried off the silver loving cup at Fairview beach last August, and Mr. Joseph N. Markel of York, Pa., has been announced. We are straining our ears to catch the notes of the wedding bells.

Miss Tillie Faupel of Manns Choice, Pa., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Faupel since the 21st of December and so well does she like this place that she intends to prolong her visit till the middle of February. Mrs. Joseph Murray mother of Mrs. Faupel spent the weekend of January 8th with the above.

On Sunday December 12th Mr. J. A. Trundle received the best wishes for a happy birthday from a host of friends he having passed the 67th mile post on life's journey. John is hale and hearty, and feels like going a long way yet. It seems to him but yesterday he was attending the Old Barracks school as a barefooted kid.

Mr. Benson is a hustler for the Edward M. Gallaudet Memorial Fund all right and the Agent wishes there were many boosters like him. For if there were Maryland's quota would be subscribed in short order. Mr. Benson turned over to the fund three fourths of the net proceeds of the Alumni-School basketball game, a total of \$33.70.

The Christmas festivity at the Methodist Mission in Baltimore was a tremendous success judging from the length of time required to give the excellent program and the number in attendance. The exercises commenced at half past seven and lasted until ten o'clock. The church was filled to overflowing with members, guests, and visitors from out of town. This occurred on December 28.

Misses Mary and Elizabeth Benson spent their Christmas holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Benson, of the city. Miss Elizabeth had to return to duties at Gallaudet on the 28th of December, but Miss Mary remained until the second of January when she left for Baltimore and the day following for Hartford, Conn., accompanied by her mother who intended to spend a fortnight or so as her guest. According to a letter from Mrs. Benson she is enjoying her visit up in Connecticut to the utmost.

Franklin T. Martin of Chicago, is so attached to the MARYLAND BULLETIN he can not afford to miss a number. Recently the November number failed of delivery at his home probably due to an error in our mailing list or for other reasons, and instead of letting the matter go he worried himself to the point of writing and making inquiries. Franklin says he enjoys following the progress of the school through the BULLETIN which is what many other alumni subscribers say. Indeed the School is making splendid progress thanks to the highly efficient management of Superintendent Bjorlee.

Instead of the usual post mark of Sarasota as formerly appeared on letters from Mr. Fred Tschiffely we will hereafter notice the new one, Venice and there is a reason. The above named gentleman has shaken the dust of Sarasota, Fla., off his shoes for good and moved to another place the name of which conjures up the famous seashore resort in California, or if you please the more famous island city of Italy. Having secured remunerative employment with a company called Brotherhood Locomotive Engineers he resigned his position which he had held for five years with Palmer Grover Corporation. The Venice (Fla.) Company has just finished building a new house for Mr. and Mrs. Tschiffely and the latter have moved in.

Through the exchanges we note that Mr. Harry Baynes is teaching a class at the Alabama School for the Deaf, for the time being we understand. The Louisiana School to which he had been attached in the capacity of teacher of printing and in the literary department closed last Fall for a ten months' vacation. Mr. Baynes who dis-

liked forced idleness from being thrown out of a job, jumped to the Alabama School where he is making good use of his time.

The Superintendent was in receipt recently of a letter from Mr. Gervaise Neale who described an auto accident in Washington in which he figured. He was hurt so badly that he was laid up in a hospital for three weeks. Luckily the injury to his knee-cap which required thirteen stitches healed up so nicely under the skilful care of a physician that he is able to use his leg as before the mishap. Gervaise says that he received full pay when he was incapacitated because of the accident, and also gets paid for the many holidays he has along with the other workers of the company—Jewish and National holidays. Gervaise is fortunately situated as to employment.

A large bus full of Alumni and other persons came from Baltimore on the eighth, the date of the Alumni-School game. The party consisted of the following: Misses Marie Dietz, Rose Friedman, Christine Kecken, Margaret Bateman, Anna Wiener, Mary Dilworth, Anna Rychwalski; Messrs Roland Stultz, Ray Kauffman, Nathan Kambarn, Wallace Weeks, Milton Woolford, Vincent Demarco, Boniface Owinski, Josiah Carroll, Michael Cohen, George Cohen, Rozelle McCall, Abe Omanski; Mr. and Mrs. Uriah Shockley, and those composing the Alumni team: Abe Stern, Joseph Pfeiler, John Urbanski, Frank Weitzel, Vincent Serio, William Smith, John Fielder and Harry Friedman.

Other deaf visitors at the game were Misses Edna Henson and Ethel Mason, and Messrs Henry Bernac, Arthur Winebrener and James Behrens.

What turned out to be the most successful watch-night party ever held by the deaf of Western Maryland occurred at the home of Miss Annie and Mr. Andrew Schwankhouse in Cumberland on December 31-January 1. Games were played, prizes were awarded, stories were told, jokes were split. The guests enjoyed all sorts of fun. At midnight the refreshments consisting of ice cream, cakes of many sorts, delicious chocolate candy and punch were served. The party broke up in the wee sma' hours of the morning, to be exact at 3 o'clock. The following were entertained: Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Metty, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Hutter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Metty, Mrs. Edith Speel-

man, Misses Agnes Bell, Zolna Vandegrift, Hazel, Elsie and Mildred Speelman, Messrs Earl Metty and Paul Vandegrift.

Miss Jennie Jones of Washington, D. C. kindly sent us the following news item:

On December 2nd, a surprise party was tendered Mr. James Amoss at the home of Mrs. Blondheim, one of his daughters, on Quincy Street N. W. Many of his relatives as well as a host of his deaf friends were present. Amongst those attending were Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Edington, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. R. Boswell, Mr. and Mrs. C. Quinley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Flood, Mrs. A. Parker, Mrs. A. Council, Mrs. S. Alley, Mrs. Robert Smoak, Misses Leitch, Cooke, and Jennie Jones and Mr. Robert Werdig. Mr. Amoss received many useful gifts and remembrance cards. The "young" boy confessed he was merely seventy one years young. The guests questioned him about his long life and found that he has had quite an eventful one. He is now a retired government employee having served Uncle Sam faithfully for forty years. His retirement was effective three years ago. He is a product of the Maryland School Class of 1874. His host of friends will be glad to know he is well and enjoying life. To top off the evening, refreshments were served and not a single person went home feeling light in the "tummy" of course.

Deaths

Mrs. Frank Layden, after an illness of a short duration passed away on December 28. She had not been in robust health and so after a bad cold had materially weakened her constitution pneumonia set in and she succumbed. Mr. Layden survives her.

The many friends of Mr. William Wesley Swartz will hear with much regret of his passing away. Mr. Swartz's health was for several years on the down grade. His constitution was undermined by sick spells until he became so weak he was confined to his house on Mulberry St., in Baltimore. Death which occurred on Friday, January 14, was due to heart disease. He was in his 80th year. Funeral services were held at his late residence the night of the 17th after which the remains were shipped to his former home in Kingston, Pa., the burial taking place Wednesday. Mr. Swartz was a pupil of the old Broad Street School in Philadelphia. From there he went to Gallaudet College where he stayed a few years. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Swartz.

BASKET BALL

M. S. S. D. 22

Central H. S. 37

Our Senior Basket ball team lost its opening game to Central High School, Washington, Friday, December 11, 1926, on the former's court, 37 to 22. The home team started with a rush and finished the first quarter with a margin of seven points. The visitors changed their line-up and the second quarter ended with the score a tie, 17-17. In the final half the Washingtonians outplayed the home team and led at the end of both quarters. The visitors gave a fine exhibition of passing and were strong on defensive work. Deluca and Downes starred for the losers.

M. S. S. D. 23

Westminster H. S. 4

Our Senior tossers ran away with Westminster High School at the latter place, Tuesday, Dec. 14, 23 to 4. The silenttees took the lead at the start and increased it at every stage of the game. The home team failed to score until the last few minutes of the final half, when R. Benson caged a marker and a foul. The visitors played a fast and aggressive game both in passing and defense work. Deluca starred for the deaf lads by caging six goals. Line-up:

M.S.S.D.	G. F. T.	Westminster H.S. G. F. T.
Deluca, f.	6 2 14	W. Benson, f. 0 1 1
King, f.	0 0 0	R. Benson, f. 1 1 3
Downes, c.	3 1 7	C. Brown, c. 0 0 0
Lowe, g.	0 0 0	B. Brown, g. 0 0 0
Smith, g.	1 0 2	G. Schron, g. 0 0 0
Teeter, f.	0 0 0	G. Weller, g. 0 0 0
Totals	10 3 23	Totals 1 2 4

M. S. S. D. 36

Alumni 10

Our Senior team downed the school alumni basketball team, Baltimore, in our gymnasium in easy fashion, Jan. 8th, 36 to 10. Downes and Deluca, starring for the winners, rolled up 32 points. Stern a former Maryland School star, played best for the alumni, caging three baskets. Serio and Urbanski, also former stars, seemed unable to locate the cage.

Deluca, f.	4 4 12	Pfeiler, f.	1 0 2
King, f.	1 0 2	Urbanski, f.	1 0 2
Downes, c.	10 0 20	Stern, c.	3 0 6
Lowe, g.	0 0 0	Friedman, g.	0 0 0
Smith, g.	1 0 2	Serio, g.	0 0 0
		Wetzel, g.	0 0 0
Totals	16 4 36	Totals	5 0 10

M. S. S. D. 42

Westminster H. S. 19

Our Senior team had little difficulty in defeating the Westminster High School team at our gymnasium Friday night, Jan. 14, before a large crowd by the score of 42 to 19. The game was one-sided throughout and the winner was never in doubt. Downes ran almost at will and rang up 25 points, more than enough to defeat the visitors. Deluca and Smith also helped along the Silenttee cause. B. Brown and Mooley played best for the Carroll countians.

Deluca, f.	4 1 9	Mooley, f.	3 0 6
King, f.	0 0 0	Robinette, f.	1 2 4
Downes, c.	12 1 25	Brown, c.	2 2 6
Lowe, g.	0 0 0	Benson, g.	1 1 3
Smith, g.	4 0 8	Schwinn, g.	0 0 0
Drinks, g.	0 0 0	Miller, g.	0 0 0
Totals	20 2 42	Totals	7 5 19

M. S. D. 36.

St. James' School 29.

Our Senior basketballists took the measure of the strong St James School team in a fast and hard-fought game in Hagerstown, January, 19, 36-29.

We took the lead from the first and were never headed, and at half time led our rivals by the margin of three points, the score then reading, 18-15. The victory was somewhat of a surprise, because the St. James team is generally considered one of the fastest in Western Maryland.

Downes and Deluca stood out on the local offense and scored almost at will, the former scoring 16 points and the latter, 18. Korycki, a new comer, starred on the defense for the Silenttees.

King, f.	0 2 2	Warfield, f.	4 4 12
Deluca, f.	8 2 18	Onderdonk, f.	4 0 8
Downes, c.	8 0 16	Bell, c.	3 1 7
Lowe, g.	0 0 0	Bishop, g.	1 0 2
Korycki, g.	0 0 0	Yonker, g.	0 0 0
Smith, g.	0 0 0	Hunter, g.	0 0 0
Totals	16 4 36	Totals	12 5 29

ELY LITERARY SOCIETY

A fine Christmas play entitled "A Christmas Carol in Prose," taken from Dickens, was given before the Ely Literary Society on the evening of December 4th by a number of boys directed by William J. McCannless. The cast is as follows:

Scrooge	Billy Williamson
Marley's Ghost	John Barthlow
The Clerk	Fred Henklein
Scrooge's Sister	Ernest Reeb
Scrooge's Nephew	Billy McCannless
Scrooge's Niece	Brooks Russell
The Children	{ Sheldon Blumenthal Bill Taylor, Nelson King
Mrs. Cratchits	Victor Krohn
Mr. Bob	Henry Ross
Martha	Ernest Reeb

STAVE ONE

Section I Marley's Ghost

Section II On the Street

Section III In Scrooge's Counting House

STAVE TWO

The First of The Three Spirits

STAVE THREE

Section I The Second of The Three Spirits

Section II The Cratchits

Section III Scrooge's Bright Gleaming Room

STAVE FOUR

Section I The Last of The Spirits

Section II Church Yard

STAVE FIVE

The End of it

The Ely Literary Society members enjoyed an evening of moving pictures on December 11th. Several reels showing the deaf of Maryland at their picnics last summer, also scenes at the N. A. D. convention in Washington. Mr. Roland Stultz had charge. At the conclusion he was tendered a rising vote of thanks for the excellent pictures. Every one in the audience was very much pleased with the show. John Ross, Sec'y.

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