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MY MOTHER

SHE carried me under her heart;—
Loved me before I was born;—
Took God's hand in hers and walked through
the valley of Shadows that I might live;—
Bathed me when I was helpless;—
Clothed me when I was naked;—
Gave me warm milk from her own body when
I was hungry;—
Rocked me to sleep when I was weary;—
Pillowed me on pillows softer than down, and
sang to me in the voice of an angel;—
Held my hand when I learned to walk;—
Nursed me when I was sick;—
Suffered with my sorrow;—
Laughed with my joy;—
Glowed with my triumph;—and while I knelt
at her side, she taught my lips to pray.
Through all the days of my youth she gave
strength for my weakness, courage for my
despair, and hope to fill my hopeless heart;
Was loyal when others failed;—
Was true when tried under fire;—
Was my friend when other friends were gone;—
Prayed for me through all the days, when flooded
with sunshine or saddened by shadows;—
Loved me when I was unlovely, and led me
into man's estate to walk triumphant on the
King's Highway and play a manly part.
Though we lay down our lives for her we can never
pay the debt we owe to a Christian Mother.

—Anonymous.

The Road to Happiness for the Deaf Individual

A material aid towards inducing partial contentment upon our outlook on the trials of life is the making of a sincere effort to fit ourselves in with the era in which we are living. Some people seemingly prefer to live in the past, showing little interest in things modern, yet if we would be tuned up to a real enjoyment of life we should school ourselves to consider the present as equal to or better than the past.

As long as we refuse to see good in anything that has a new and modern flavor, so long will we continue victims to pessimism, which is a deterrent to contentment. The present may be filled with trials and disappointments, but happy is he who can smile at and with the times in which he is.

In the case of the deaf, who certainly show as patient a spirit as the generality of mankind, in the present era, there is an amusing befuddlement following the contentious claims of the superiority of this or that method of instruction employed in their education. The deaf themselves are not usually considered when these matters are being discussed, but were the adult deaf to be questioned they would undoubtedly declare that the most perfect method is that which affords to the pupil an opportunity for the acquisition of the habit of reading.

This is their main and safest reliance for attainment of improvement in the use of language and the gaining of useful information. It is the want of a proper practice in this valuable branch that is a misfortune to the deaf in after-school days, for reading brings to them some of those things that make life livable for them. Without the ability to read understandingly they lose a part of that something which brings happiness to their silent lives. An old and familiar saying advises "know thyself, be thyself, think," and this last is also a most valuable habit for daily practice; but it is too often neglected. For some it has no meaning, since thinking before acting never comes to the mind of those whose minds have not been trained for the useful activities that life demands in the effort for success through self-improvement.—*New York Journal*.

Love's Sweet Songs

"Out of the dreams that rose in happy throng,
Low to our hearts love sang an old sweet
song;
And in the dusk, where fell the firelight
gleam,
Softly it wove itself into our dream."

How often, oh, how often in the days that have gone by have I realized that truth in the above quoted verse. How often have I, leaning back in my swivel chair and with my feet upon my desk, looked up into the blue smoke of my pipe and seen there the old familiar scenes of my childhood days.

The most vividly painted picture of those which appear before me are those in which I see my mother singing to me and at the same time playing the guitar—a guitar which had been handed down through three generations. Sometimes I see her holding the baby in her arms with the guitar. Often the baby reaches down with his chubby, inquisitive fingers, pluck a chord and put the song out of tune. Mother then pushes the guitar out of his reach and continues. The song ended, I ask her to play another and another and another.

The picture fades and another takes its place. This time she is sitting in front of a low-burning fire; the lights are low. At her feet are my two smaller brothers, watching the glow and occasional flicker of a bright flame caused by the breaking of a log. I am standing at her side with one hand on her throat. The old guitar is not present; it has not been present for several years; time has taken its toll. But the song—the song is as beautiful as ever, even though it comes through deaf ears. Sometimes tears come to my mother's eyes. Then the song becomes plainer, perhaps, for my deaf ears. Then the picture fades slowly fades into nothingness.—*Bilbo Monaghan*.

The above article "Love's Sweet Songs" appeared on the front page of *The Deaf Mississippian*. Mr. Bilbo Monaghan teaches in the Mississippi School. He wrote it while he was at college and sent it to his mother. It was printed at her request.

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If you talk about your troubles
And tell them o'er and o'er,
The world will think you like 'em
And proceed to give you more.

—*Pittsburgh Post*.

R E C R E A T I O N P R I N C I P L E S

Every child needs to be exposed to the growth-giving activities that have brought satisfaction through the ages,— to tramping, swimming, dancing, skating, ball games; to singing, playing musical instruments; to dramatic activities; to making things with the hands; to caring for pets, to helping plants grow, to getting to know nature, to trying simple scientific experiments; to trying to make things beautiful; to learning the joy of team-play, of comradeship in doing things with others.

Every child needs to discover which are the special activities which give him personal satisfaction and joy. In these activities he should be helped to develop the skills essential to supreme enjoyment throughout life.

Every child should choose certain activities, certain hobbies that he can keep up as long as he lives so that there may be no "dull" stretches.

Every man should have certain forms of recreation which require little space and which can be fitted into small fragments of time. Every man needs to know well a certain limited number of games which he himself likes for use in indoors and outdoors so that there will never be an occasion when he cannot think of anything to do.

Every man should be helped to form the habit of finding pleasure in reading.

Most men should know at least a few songs with good music so that they may sing when they feel like it.

Every man should be helped to discover some form of beauty which he can really make his own—whether it be beauty of line, form, color, or sound.

Man thrives best in the sunlight. Every man should be helped to form habits of being active, of breathing deeply in the sunlit outdoor air.

Since living and not business is the end of life our cities should be planned from the point of view of living as well as of business and industry. Sunlight, air, open spaces, parks, playgrounds, in abundant measure are essentials to any living that is to give permanent joy and satisfaction.

It is of the greatest importance that every person be exposed to rhythm be-

cause without rhythm man is incomplete and tires himself and bores others.

About one year in every ten of a man's life is spent in eating. It is of fundamental importance that this one-tenth of a man's life shall be so lit up by play of mind upon mind that eating shall not be a hurried chore but an opportunity for comradeship and for growth for the whole man.

Rest, repose, reflection, contemplation are in themselves a form of recreation and ought never to be crowded out by more active play.

Those recreation activities are most important which most completely command the individual so that he loses himself in them and gives all that he has and is to them.

Ultimate satisfaction in recreation comes only through one's own achievement of some kind.

The form of one's recreation as an adult often, though not always, should be such as to use in part powers unused in the rest of one's life. A man is successful in his recreation life in so far as the forms of activity he chooses create a play spirit, a humor, which to some extent pervades all his working hours, helping him to find enjoyment constantly in the little events of life. A happy play of childhood is essential to normal growth. Normal men and women are most likely to grow from the children who have played well and happily. Normal men more easily continue normal as they keep up the childhood habit of play.—Scouting.

Some Laws of Health

- I will eat only wholesome food and at the proper time.
- I will drink plenty of pure water and milk.
- I will bathe my body and wash my teeth every day.
- I will take regular exercise in the open air.
- I will sleep with my windows wide open summer and winter.
- I will go to bed early and rise early.
- I will have a regular time for work, and a regular time for play.
- I will avoid bad habits and cultivate good ones.
- I will remember that anger and bad temper poison the body.
- I will try to practice self-control.
- I will abstain from tobacco, alcohol, and dope.

TEXAS CELEBRATES CENTURY OF PROGRESS

HISTORICAL HIGHLIGHTS

The first American settlers came to Texas in 1821 as members of Moses Austin's colony. Arrangements were made with Mexico for a grant of 4,428 acres—nearly seven sections—to each married man. This generous grant started new colonies and brought thousands into Texas.

The first dissension came with the law of April 6, 1830. Further American settlement was restricted, save in Austin's and De Witt's colonies. Mexican convicts were to be sent to Texas for settlement; Mexican soldiers were to be stationed in Texas.

The first serious clash came in 1832 when an order was issued requiring all Texas-bound ships to enter the port at Anahuac. Texans, wishing to bring merchandise up their more convenient Texas rivers, protested vigorously. The order was withdrawn.

Meanwhile a revolution had been in progress in Mexico and Santa Anna became president. This was good news in Texas—Santa Anna representing to be the champion of free government. It was decided to send Stephen F. Austin to Mexico City to plead the Texans' cause and, if possible, make Texas a separate state in the Mexican Union. Santa Anna refused this request but treated Austin cordially. However, returning home, Austin was seized, brought back and thrown into prison, where he remained for 15 months.

Reaching Texas, Austin found the people in a fervor of excitement. Though the most patient of men, his tolerance was now worn thin. He told friends that the time had now come for war. A ringing call for men was responded to and, on October 2, 1835, the first battle was fought at Gonzales, where the enemy undertook to seize a small cannon. The Mexicans were routed. The Texans kept the cannon.

Up until this time Texans were fighting for a more liberal government under Mexico, but now more and more favored complete independence. A convention was held at Washington on the Brazos.

While the convention was still in session, news came of many disasters that had befallen the Texas army. Santa Anna's forces had arrived in San Antonio.

Travis, in command of the Alamo, had sent a call for re-enforcements, stating, "I shall never surrender or retreat!" Only 32 Texans were able to make their way into the Alamo fortress. At dawn, on March 6, Santa Anna's forces advanced on the Alamo. Before the end of the day, not a Texan of the hundred and eighty-odd survived.

With San Antonio taken, Santa Anna marched eastward, putting General Sam Houston's small army of less than 400 men to rout. The Texans fled before the Mexican Army, until a brilliant piece of Houston strategy turned the tide. On April 21, 1836, the Texans trapped Santa Anna in the battle of San Jacinto, the whole Mexican force, still outnumbering the Texans two to one, being killed or captured.

This battle ended the war and Santa Anna agreed to recognize the independence of Texas. Texas became a Republic a few months later.—*Folder.*

SO BIG TEXAS

Texas is so big! So big some one said, that the people of El Paso jeer at those of Galveston as being effete easterners. In terms of people, area, animals, crops, and natural wealth she is so big and her regional interests are so diverse that she has outgrown her very constitution, as a boy outgrows his pants. Laws good for east Texas may be bad for west Texas. State policies agreeable to the natives on the lower Rio Grande may cause grief and pain to those hundreds of miles away in the vast Panhandle.

Here in this big Texas that peculiar type of sport-loving near-statistician, who revels recklessly in fantastic figures finds himself in clover. He has so many millions of everything to add up and make tables about!

Merely to confound the newcomer, the native himself takes delight in repeating Munchausen tales of Texas; or in mentioning casually, for example, that it's farther from El Paso to Beaumont than it is from New York to Chicago. Were Texas as densely settled as Massachusetts, she'd have more than 131,000,000 people.—*The Geographic.*

HERE AND THERE AMONG THE DEAF

SUCCESSFUL DEAF ARTIST

Fred Lee, a deaf man, seems to have been accepted as a big shot in the offices of *Chicago Tribune and Herald*. More often than usual, his illustrative portraits in black and white show in the papers with his name attached.—*Silent Broadcaster*.

LEAVES ESTATE TO N. E. HOME FOR AGED DEAF

Quoted from the *New England Spokesman* is the following: "Official notice has been received by the treasurer that under the will of Miss Jessie A. Goddard of Newton, the New England Home for Aged Deaf is named beneficiary for one-ninth of the residue of her estate. The estate is appraised at about \$370,000, after direct bequests are made to friends and institutions, amounting to more than \$150,000. For years, she had been in close touch with the Home."—*Ohio Chronicle*.

DEAF MAN PRAISED FOR NEW REVOLVING TELESCOPE

The *World-Herald* and the *Nebraska State Journal* of January 26, each had a write-up of the new revolving telescope which has been under construction for more than a year and will be placed on the campus of the agricultural college, Lincoln, to be used by the University of Nebraska.

John M. Chowins, deaf mechanic for the physics department, was given much credit for the assembling of the telescope. Chowins entered the employ of the university in 1887, and has given continued service since then.

He was educated in a school for the deaf in England.

Both the *World-Herald* and the *Lincoln Journal* had pictures of Mr. Chowins standing beside the telescope.—*Silent Broadcaster*.

CLIPPING BUREAU EMPLOYS MANY DEAF

Walter Hyams and Company owns and operates a clipping bureau, the largest in the country, with headquarters at 370 Lexington Avenue, New York City. It has branches in Washington, Havana, and in several European cities. The New York office employs eighty people, practically

all deaf girls. Seventy girls and women work in the Washington office, but how many of them are deaf is not stated. This company has found deaf girls very efficient and actually prefers them to hearing women. This kind of work reading, clipping out, sorting, pasting, requires little detailed instruction; hence those who cannot hear can do it as well as those with all their senses intact.

If this is true, and it probably is, for it appeared in a reliable magazine, then not all employers of labor discriminate against the deaf. Some people know a good thing when they see it, and turn it into profit for themselves and others.—*Smith in The Companion*.

DEAF GIRL SCOUT FROM ROCHESTER SCHOOL RECEIVES SIGNAL HONOR

Chosen from candidates in all parts of the country, a Rochester Girl Scout left last night for New York to sail for England tomorrow.

The girl, Miss Clara Hamel, of 749 Highland Avenue, captain of Troop 51, Rochester School for the Deaf, will attend an International Extension Training conference in Bedford College, London.

Rochester area Girl Scout leaders hailed the selection of Miss Hamel as a signal honor for this city. She will be the only girl from the United States representing Girl Scout extension work in the field of those who have lost their hearing.

The conference will be conducted March 27 to April 3, but the Rochester girl, taking her vacation coincident with the voyage, will remain in England almost three weeks studying England's program for the physically handicapped and visiting other schools for the deaf.

She is being sent abroad by the board of the Rochester School for the Deaf and Rochester Girl Scout Council.

Miss Hamel was selected by the Girl Scout organization on a basis of educational background, Girl Scout training experience and tested leadership. Upon her return, she will report at local and regional conferences. During summers, she is unit leader at Camp Beech Wood, Girl Scout camp.—*Rochester Democrat-Chronicle*, (March 20.)

YOUNG FOLKS' PAGES

Mother

Who is it that brings the sunshine,
And drives the clouds away?
Who is it that keeps us tidy
From morning till night each day?
Who is it that mends our clothing,
And cooks our food so good?
Who is it that guides our footsteps
Out of the forest and wood?

Our mother knows our troubles;
It's she who keeps us right;
Asks God for His great blessing
Before you rest each night.
His helping hand upon hers
Will make a greater love
And she will keep us striving
Until we meet above.

We know that she is aided
By Jesus Christ so great
But we can help Him please her
If we are not too late.
So ask your God to help her
Through struggle, fear and strife
And open wide the gateway
That leads to Heavenly life.

—Mary Couch.

A Mother's Loving Care

Jimmy scowled at the garden gate and gave it a kick with his shoe. Jimmy was pretty cross just then. He wanted a nickel to buy an all-day-sucker and mother said that it wasn't good for boys to eat candy in the middle of the afternoon. Jimmy knew that mother was right, but he wanted the candy and it made him cross. "I sometimes wish I didn't have a mother," he grumbled to his cousin, Bob. "Then I could do as I pleased." Of course, down in his heart, Jimmy didn't really mean to say such a terrible thing. He and Bob began to play with their fire engines, and they had such a good time that afternoon that he forgot all about what he had said. But it wasn't very long before he remembered it, and, oh, how sorry he was then!

The next morning when Jimmy turned over in his little white bed and sleepily opened his eyes, there was daddy bending over him instead of mother. Daddy wasn't smiling the way he usually did. His face was white and still, and suddenly Jimmy was afraid.

"You're a pretty big boy now aren't you, son?" daddy asked quietly. "And you are pretty brave, too, aren't you?"

Jimmy nodded his head.

"Mother is sick," daddy went on, "and the doctor took her to stay at the hospital for a little while. So you and I shall have to keep house together. Mrs. Brown who lives next door will help us. Will you try to be a very good boy and help daddy?"

Jimmy gulped, and said, "Yes, daddy."

Then his father gave him his bath and got his breakfast. It was fun to do things with daddy, but it wasn't the same as when mother was there, too. There wasn't mother to find the blue and orange socks that matched Jimmy's suit.

Before daddy went to the office, Mrs. Brown was ever so nice to him. She even let him play with the radio. But he didn't play with the radio very long. Nothing was right without mother.

That afternoon, when he fell down and scratched his knee, nobody came to bathe it and bandage it and cuddle him close for a minute to help him forget how much it hurt. Even the house didn't look right. It was dusty and there were things lying around on the floor.

For a whole week mother was gone. It was the most dreadful week Jimmy had ever known. Every night he prayed to the heavenly Father to take care of her and make her well.

And then, one day daddy came home smiling. "Mother is ever so much better," he said. "The doctor says that she can come home tomorrow!"

Jimmy climbed up into daddy's lap and hugged him tight. "The heavenly Father made her well," he said happily. "I asked Him every night to take care of her."

"Yes," daddy answered, "the heavenly Father knows that little boys and girls need their mothers." Then father explained to Jimmy how many, many things mothers do to make their homes pleasant and happy, and pleasing to the heavenly Father.

That night when Jimmy knelt beside his bed to say his bedtime prayer, he whispered, "Thank You, dear Father in heaven, for mothers."—Selected.

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It is wicked to go about with a face which indicates that life has been a disappointment to you instead of a perpetual joy. Write it in your heart that every day is the best day in the year.—Sel.

Are You Truthful?

Do you tell lies?

If you do, we are sorry for you.

In telling lies you hurt yourself and often hurt others, but you hurt yourself most. A lie is almost sure to be found out some time, and then your friends lose faith in you. Faith once lost is very, very hard to regain.

When you lie you are obeying the devil and disobeying God.

The lie is the tool of the thief and every kind of criminal. We believe that a person who lies also steals and does other wicked things.

One lie breeds another. In a short

time one lie usually hatches out many others, like flies in the summer-time. We try to swat all the flies so that they will not breed more and more flies to spread disease and death.

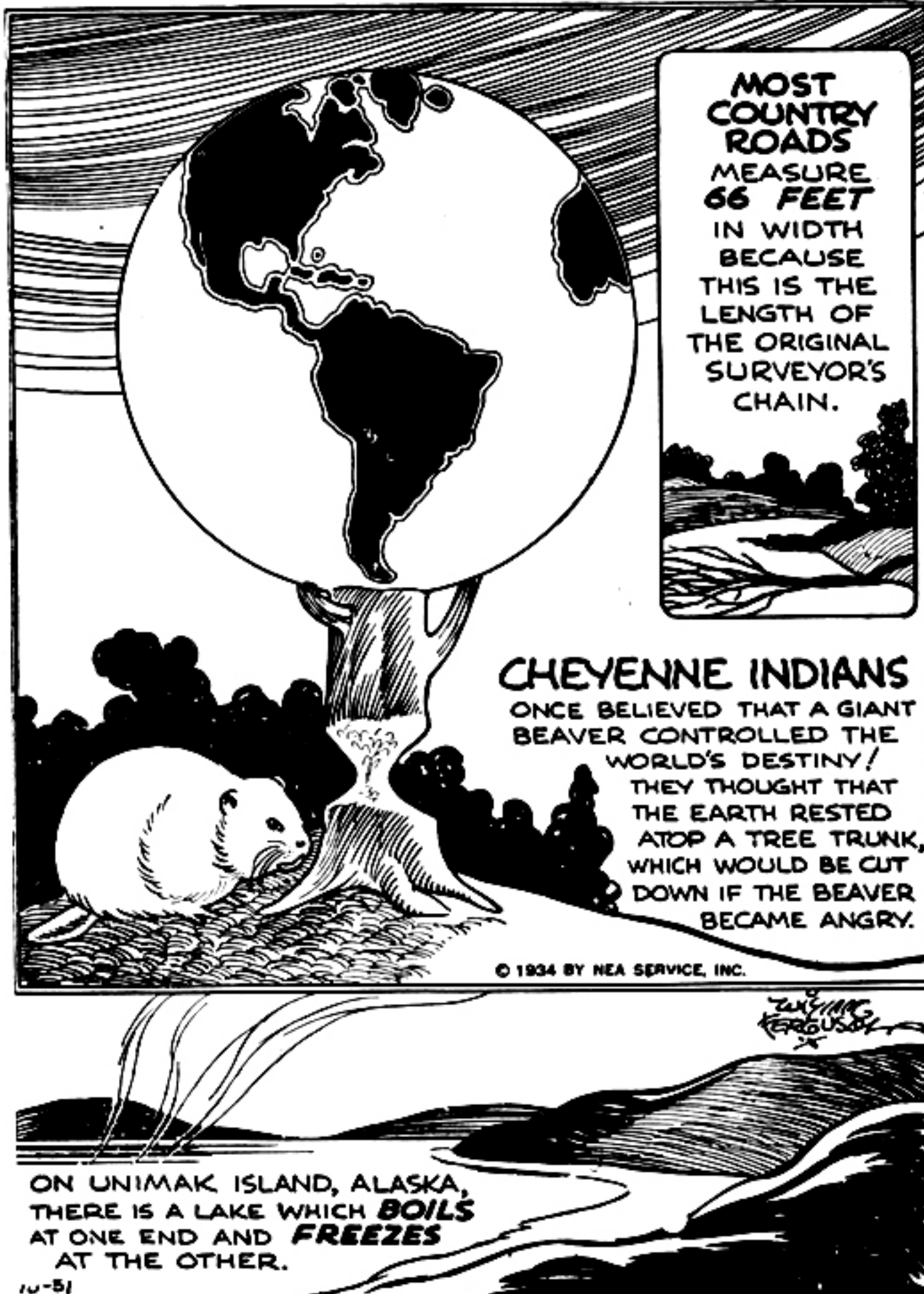
Erase the letter "f" from the word "flies" and you have "lies." They are worse than flies. Swat the lies before you tell them. If you do not you are pretty sure to be sorry some time, for a lie that you have told becomes your master and you become its slave.

Brave men do not lie.

Lying is the badge of cowards.

Which are you, brave or cowardly?—

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Close of School

Commencement exercises will be held in the auditorium on Thursday afternoon, May 28. A Mother Goose pageant will this year be the chief feature of the program. Following these exercises there will be the annual competitive drill and military parade on the front lawn.

The children will depart for their homes on Wednesday morning, June 3, and the parents are urged not to take the children home prior to the final closing exercises, Tuesday evening, 7 o'clock.

Conference of Executives Meets at Pittsburgh

The triennial meeting of the Conference of Executives of American Schools for the Deaf was held at Wilkinsburg, near Pittsburgh, Pa., April 21 to 25, with the Penn Lincoln Hotel as headquarters. Meetings were held at the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf. A goodly number of Superintendents from the United States and Canada were in attendance and the program was of a very high order. All who attended returned to their homes with renewed enthusiasm and greater determination to aid in better fitting deaf children to meet the ever increasing problems of our economic life.

Discussions of a thoroughly practical nature predominated. Lengthy arguments concerning pet hobbies were conspicuous by their absence. It is conceded that

certain differences of opinion as to methods prevail but the day of striving to coerce every individual to adopt a single standard is at an end.

The ultimate welfare of the child must ever be held uppermost in the minds of educators. A concerted effort toward bringing about those objectives which will retain for the adult deaf their position of social and economic equality and restore this feeling of security to the more recent of our graduates, requires wholehearted cooperation. If we have gained anything from the bitter experiences of the depression, it must be interpreted in terms of things practical.

Dr. J. W. Blattner of Oklahoma, who for the past six years has served with force and dignity as president, will find in Mr. Frank M. Driggs of Utah a worthy successor. Dr. Bjorlee was re-elected for a six year term as member of the Executive Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Manning proved charming as host and hostess. For weeks they and their splendid staff have labored faithfully to the end that the visitors found every wish anticipated. A debt of gratitude has been incurred which can never be adequately repaid.

Portraits of Former Board Members Received

Through the courtesy of Mr. William Dubel of Baltimore, a handsome portrait of Mr. John Black, President of the Board of Visitors of the Maryland School from 1903 to 1916, was presented to the school.

A portrait of Mr. Albert Jones, the gift of his son Mr. T. Poole Jones of Frederick, was also received. Mr. Jones was secretary of the Board from 1911 to 1921. These portraits are very much appreciated and they will be placed upon the walls of the Directors' Room.

Radio Addresses Continued

On May 6, Dr. Bjorlee delivered the fifth of a series of weekly radio talks, selecting as his theme "Deaf Women and their Status in the Economic World." These talks have been given through the courtesy of the Monocacy Broadcasting Company and the management has expressed a wish for a continuance of the talks to meet the requests of an increasing audience.

Father and Son Banquet

During the observance of Youth Week in Frederick, a Father and Son banquet was held on Friday evening, May 8, at the Francis Scott Key Hotel. Dr. Bjorlee had as his guests at the dinner the members of the City Junior Championship Basketball Team. The deaf lads were presented as silver trophy winners and received a good hand when it was announced that they were victorious in eleven out of twelve of the series games and defeated their opponents by 453 as against 137 points. Among the draw prize winners at the dinner were Edwin Markel, Arthur Potts, Mehrl Lutz and Roger Myers. Remaining members of the team and also guests at the dinner were: Murray Rothstein, Joseph Gelmini, James Ferrell, Scott Snyder, Alton Boyer and John McKenny.

Demonstrations of School Work

Recently four demonstrations of the work of the pupils have been made. On April 17, a group of children gave an exhibition before the Washington Street School P. T. A., and on May 1, a similar program was given at the United Brethern Church. Miss Kent and Miss Babcock were in charge of these demonstrations.

On April 20, approximately 50 ladies attending the Odd Fellows Convention in Frederick were guests of the school where in addition to a program in the auditorium, they visited the various school features. The ladies present represented every section of the State of Maryland and some were heard to express the comment that the demonstration at the school was the most interesting feature of their visit to Frederick.

On the afternoon of May 11, approximately fifty women, wives of the members attending the Retail Grocers' Association of Maryland, spent a major portion of the afternoon at the school. Their visit covered practically the same features as on the occasion of the visit by the ladies attending the Odd Fellows Convention.

It is always a pleasure to greet these groups and an opportunity is thereby afforded to dispell some of the misconceptions lurking in the minds of many who have had no opportunity to contact the deaf.

Safety Movies Shown

Through the courtesy of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Mr. Walter Rudy, several reels of moving pictures, portraying traffic hazards and violations of traffic laws, were shown in the school auditorium on April 22. Although Mr. Rudy could not attend in person, he was represented by Mr. Doll Derr and Mr. Paul Lowry, of the Commissioner's office. Mr. Derr was formerly a resident of Frederick and in earlier days participated in various athletic events in competition with teams of deaf boys. Mr. Derr is adept in the use of the manual alphabet and will prove a valued friend of the deaf in case his services are needed by them in the department.

Former Teacher and Matron Visit

Miss Frances Hancock, recently retired member of the Lexington, New York School, teaching staff, accompanied by Miss Bessie Zimmerman, now matron at the Rosewood Training School, visited us on Tuesday, April 21. Miss Hancock was for several years a valued teacher of the Maryland School prior to assuming her duties in New York, and Miss Zimmerman was in charge of the household department prior to assuming similar duties at the Rosewood Training School at Owings Mills. This was the first visit the ladies have made to Frederick for some time and they were much pleased with the building program and campus expansion which has been made in recent years. They were also impressed by the class work and the wholesome atmosphere of the school in general.

Emmitsburg Ladies Provide a Treat

As mentioned in the last issue of the BULLETIN, it was our pleasure to entertain the Emmitsburg Women's Club. At the next regular meeting of the club, it was voted that the ladies show their appreciation in the form of a gift to the children. And what a treat it was! Parcel after parcel was taken from the automobile and when spread out on a large table it was found that the contents totaled eleven large cakes, ten boxes of cookies and six boxes of sweets ranging from gross lots of Hershey bars to a variety of home made candies. Needless to state, the treat was thoroughly enjoyed, but best of all was the spirit of good will manifested by our Emmitsburg friends.

School Superintendents Here

On April 19, Superintendent E. S. Tillinghast of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Superintendent J. A. Raney of Indianapolis, paid a brief visit to the school. The gentlemen were enroute to Washington. It was a pleasure to have these friends look in on us, although their visit was entirely too brief.

New President at Western Maryland College

Dr. F. G. Holloway was inaugurated President of Western Maryland College at Westminster, Maryland, on Saturday, April 25. The exercises were largely attended with 120 schools, colleges and universities represented at the ceremonies in Alumni Hall. Dr. Arlo A. Brown, President of Drew University, delivered the address of the occasion. Dr. Bjorlœ represented St. Olaf College at the exercises.

Three Additional Eagle Scouts

A court of Honor was held in the gymnasium on the evening of April 27 with Col. E. L. Mattice, Mr. H. L. Maze and Mr. Lynch of the Washington Council in charge. A considerable number of hearing and deaf scouts were presented for merit badge awards. Conspicuous among those receiving marks of distinction was Benjamin Myerovitz who qualified for the rank of Eagle Scout. Since the holding of the Court, Thomas Miller and Thaddeus Juchno have completed their preliminary work and these three boys will receive their Eagle Badges at Commencement.

Students Guests of Catholic Daughters

Court Maryland, No. 278, of the Catholic Daughters of America, entertained fifteen Catholic students of the Maryland State School for the Deaf Thursday night at St. John's school. Bingo was played and an address given by Rev. Fr. Raymond Kelly of St. Martin's Parish, Baltimore, spiritual director of the deaf children of Maryland. Refreshments were served and each student was presented with a "St. Christopher" medal and favors. Treats were sent to three of the smaller children at the school who because of the lateness of the hour did not attend. Miss Margaret Hartman is grand regent of Court Maryland. Miss Nan Wilson was chairman of the entertainment committee.

Guests from the Maryland School were:

Vera Cirri, Marie Meyd, Edward Bodensteiner, Edwin Markel, Dan Kalinowski, Thaddeus Juchno, Armstrong Elliott, Robert Haines, Anna Mazziott, Cecelia Wol-sky, Olive Ferrell, Viola Hagegeorge, Joe Gelmini, George Swindell, Melvin Hurley.—*News-Post*.

Soap Sculpture

Much interest has been shown recently in a nation wide contest covering soap sculpture. The contest is conducted under the auspices of the National Soap Sculpture Committee of New York City. A very creditable collection of eighteen pieces was sent by boys at the school and some of the entries, it is felt, stand a good show of winning prizes or honorable mention. It was amazing to see some of the fine productions made by boys whom we had not suspected of being particularly interested in activities of this sort.

Outings for the Girls

Saturday, May 2, proved an outing day for the girls. The girl scouts, under the leadership of Miss Benson, took a hike to the Monocacy, while Mrs. Klipp arranged a surprise picnic at her home in the country for her little charges. Mrs. Bramble accompanied Mrs. Klipp.

The members of the New Era Club accompanied by Miss Wohlstrom and Miss Babcock, spent April 25 at Camp Baker, Braddock Heights. They enjoyed the over-night stay at the comfortable log cabin and returned to school early Sunday morning.

Local Mention

The Frederick Camp Fire Girls accompanied by their leader Miss Sarah Quinn, visited the school museum on April 17.

Miss Wohlstrom had the pleasure of a visit from her sister, Mrs. J. B. Stratton of Plattsburg, New York, April 19 to 21.

Gifts of clothing to needy children have recently been made by Mrs. Francis Manahan and Mrs. Norman Ager, parents of two of our delightful smaller boys.

The final meeting of the Monday Musicales was held in the auditorium on the evening of April 27. The program consisted of vocal and instrumental selections rendered by a group of artists from the Peabody Institute, Baltimore.

ALUMNI AND OTHER DEAF

Messrs Newman Norford and Lester Miner were visitors on Sunday April 19. The latter had spent a week in Baltimore and was on his way to his home in Hagerstown.

Miss Nadine Fox proudly shows her friends a diamond studded ring which she asserts is from Mr. Abe Omansky whom she will accompany to the altar before many moons are past.

Messrs John Geiger and Joseph Bogucki spent April 29 and 30 in town and called on their Alma Mater. They were laid off recently, the factory in which they worked having shut down for good.

Murray Faupel had the misfortune to fall from a horse on April 26 and sustained a compound fracture of the upper arm bone. After nine days at the City Hospital he was discharged, his arm fixed up in splints.

Miss Louise McClain enjoyed herself immensely at the farewell party which Miss Helen Skinner tendered Mrs. Sophia Schmuff Roop at her home in Baltimore on Good Friday. Mrs. Roop has joined her husband in Vinton, Va.

Messrs Ferdinand Alsip, Samuel Snider, Louis Hallem, Miss Pauline Bensley and Mrs. Charles Devoe each sent money to renew their BULLETIN subscriptions. Mrs. Devoe says that her son Bernard, aged 17, is working in a C.C.C. camp near Frederick.

Mrs. Stephen Sandebeck spent Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26, as the guest of the Faupels and was taken around to call on her old friends in the city, also Alma Mater. So great was her change in looks due to the gain of fifty pounds of flesh since her operation for tumor a year ago that her friends could scarcely recognize her.

Mr. John A. Trundle is a gentleman of leisure now. He retired from the trucking business and sold part of his land. John, however, does light garden work for the sake of exercise and to provide fresh vegetables for the family table. His faithful horse was put on a friend's farm to live the rest of its life. The stable was

remodeled and fitted into two garages.

As a welcome change from her winter confinement Mrs. Herman Thom of Easton, Md., took a long auto trip quite recently. She went to Baltimore by bus and from there she motored with sister, niece and the latter's husband to Mt. Vernon, Va., to see Washington's home, and the next day to Harrisburg, Pa., where they spent the night, then continued through Pennsylvania to Clyde, N. Y.

The following from this city went to Baltimore on April 18 for the reading and movies given at Gehb Hall under the auspices of the Alumni Association: Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Benson, Miss Mary Benson, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Faupel, Messrs Charles Creager, James McVernon, Mrs. Francis Summers and Misses McClain and Nadine Fox. The reading, by Prof. Frederick Hughes, alone was worth the admission price and more. The affair was a financial success, we are told. Prof. Hughes is master of the art of characterization.

Rev. D. E. Moylan conducted services in the Calvary M. E. Church Parish Hall Sunday, April 26, 11 o'clock a. m.; gave the afternoon talk in the school auditorium and proceeded to Hagerstown in the evening to preach to the deaf from the city and vicinity at St. Paul's Church.

April 26, exactly forty-five years ago Rev. Moylan entered upon what was to be his life work, that of ministering to the deaf of Baltimore. Forty-five years is a long time but he hope he will live and continue his good work until he rounds out a half century before retiring.

Mr. Alfred E. Feast and Mr. George Werner, two well known and respected deaf who for many years resided in Baltimore, passed away on April 19 and 20 respectively, the former aged 65 and the latter, 67.

Mr. Feast had been under treatment for dropsy for some time but died peacefully in sleep at his home Sunday morning. He was a Canadian by birth and training before he came to Baltimore and for forty two years was a valued and efficient employee of the U. S. Printing and Lithograph Company. He married Miss Eliza-

beth Riall, a product of the Maryland School, and had two sons and two daughters.

Mr. Werner passed away after a painful illness of seven weeks at Bon Soeur Hospital; received his education at the Knapp School, now discontinued; was married and had four daughters.

We extend sympathy to the surviving relatives of the above deceased.

Fifty Years Ago, May, 1886

Mr. George Veditz and Master Fred Tschiffely were in Washington on the 5th and attended the Presentation Exercises at the Deaf-Mute College.

Gustavus Thies of Baltimore, a former pupil, came down upon us last week on his bicycle in regulation wheelman's helmet, Knickerbockers and Norfolk jacket. He covered the 40 miles in good time.

The chief talk of the school as well as in town during the past few weeks was the "Bazar of Nations" held at the City Rink May 7-9. All our teachers took active part. Misses Fish, Bokee and Barry were with the German booth, and Misses Harris and Doub were at the art gallery and Italian booth.

Twenty-five Years Ago, May, 1911

Rev. D. E. Moylan, Mr. Plummer and Mr. Kavanaugh were among our outside friends who were present at the Athletic Meet.

The boys motored to Mt. St. Mary's Thursday afternoon to cross bats with the strong college nine. The game was a fine and fast one. We lost to the college by the score of 10 to 7. Batteries for M. S. D. were Boyle and Garrett.

Our boys participated in the annual out door Athletic Meet of Y. M. C. A. on McCurdy Field. M. S. D. came out fourth in regard to number of points, but they captured the lion's share of prizes.

COMING EVENTS

May 16—Entertainment at Gehb Hall under auspices of Baltimore Division, No. 47. N. F. S. D. Admission: Adults, 25c; children 10c.

May 20—Bingo and Strawberry Festival of Jewish Deaf Society at 1914 Madison Ave. Tickets 25c.

June 4—Strawberry Festival, Gehb Hall, 217 N. Calhoun St., benefit of Methodist Church Mission.

ELY LITERARY SOCIETY

On April 18 the following program was given by members of the Ely Literary Society. Current events, Trimble Lamert; reading, "The Golden Goose," Ruby Dilley; essay, "The Humming Bird," Cecilia Wolsky; stories, "Alice's Easter Lily," Pauline Delauter; "Fannie's Easter Eggs," Ruth Jones; "The Clouds," Edwin Markel; "Sirrah, The Shepherd Dog," Melvin Hurley; "Johnnie's Easter Egg," William Merrette; playlet, "Poor Little Annie Rooney," Sue Scheuerman, Miriam Meredith, and Vivian Leitch; jokes, Richmond Kieffer; declamation, "Easter," Mehrl Lutz. The critic, Phoebe Hughes gave the report.

BASEBALL

The Maryland School returned to the baseball wars Tuesday afternoon, May 5, after a lapse of several years by defeating Walkersville high school, 14-8, on Bjorlee Field. The rivals fought along on even terms until the eighth when our lads staged a rally for six runs to break 8-8 deadlock and win the decision. In that inning our winners put together two singles, a double by Haines, three walks, and a triple by Blumenthal. Juchno of our Silentees, and Moberly of Walkersville were leading batsmen.

W. H. S.	AB.	R.	H.	A.	O.	E.
Murphy, rf.	4	2	1	1	0	0
R. Ports, 2b.	3	2	0	4	2	0
Moberly, p.	4	1	3	1	0	0
Eaves, 1b.	4	1	1	4	0	0
Wachter, lf.	5	0	1	0	0	0
K. Ports, c.	4	1	0	12	0	0
Trout, ss.	5	1	2	1	3	0
Barrick, cf.	4	0	1	0	0	0
Werking, 3b.	5	0	2	1	0	1
Totals	38	8	11	24	5	1
M. S. S. D.	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Juchno, 3b-p.	6	2	4	2	2	3
Haines, 1b.	6	1	1	5	3	0
Keyser, 2b.	5	2	2	4	0	0
Downes, cf.	2	2	1	2	0	0
Click, lf.	4	1	2	0	0	0
Baraty, c.	4	1	1	11	0	1
Winebrener, 3b.	2	1	1	0	1	0
Kalinowski, p.	2	0	0	0	2	0
Miller, p.	1	1	0	2	0	1
Blumenthal, rf.	5	3	1	1	0	0
Synder, ss.	3	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	40	14	13	27	8	5
Walkersville	0	2	0	0	3	3
M. S. S. D.	1	3	0	0	0	1

Summary: Two base hits—Moberly, 2; Eaves, Trout, Keyser, Downes. Three base hits—Barrick, Blumenthal. Base on Balls—Off Kalinowski, 3; off Miller, 2; off Juchno, 1; off Moberly, 7. Struck out—By Kalinowski, 3; by Miller, 3; by Juchno, 5; by Moberly, 12. Winning pitcher—Juchno. Umpire—Myerovitz.

PUPILS' ITEMS

Girls' Items

I finished a dress and my scarf will be done soon. This afternoon I am going to the sewing room. When my scarf is finished, I will help Miss Gaskell, I think. I hope my mother will like my dress.—Dorothy Dorsett.

On Commencement Day, May 28, we shall give a Mother Goose pageant in the chapel instead of the usual program. It will be very interesting, we think. We older girls are to take part in the May Pole dance.—Nellie Martz.

Last Monday morning Doris Faupel brought my teacher a bouquet of beautiful tulips in different colors. They are near my desk and I enjoy looking at them. I like tulips. They certainly are exquisite flowers.—Pauline Bloodsworth.

Tuesday afternoon I worked three buttonholes on the jacket of my white suit. I was glad when the buttonholes were finished because they were rather hard to make. I shall wear my new suit many times during the summer vacation.—Ethel Hall.

We hope that our guests on Commencement Day will like the quilt which we are making in the domestic science department. We used a tulip pattern and appliqued lavender and pink tulips with green stems and leaves on each cream colored square of the quilt.—Mary Stump.

We were very much surprised before recess on Thursday to hear that we were going to have a treat. We all went to the main building. Dr. Bjorlee and Miss McCanner had cookies and several kinds of candy. The Emmitsburg Women's Club sent the treat to the children of this school. It was very thoughtful of them.—Anna Mazziott.

I am anxious to finish a smock and a little blue silk dress, which I am making in domestic science class. These garments will be on exhibit Commencement Day. I think the little dress is pretty. It is for my dear old friend Patsy Lee's birthday gift. I am very fond of Patsy Lee. She is my favorite neighbor.—Helen Hook.

Last Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock we walked six miles. We stopped at

the bridge on the Gas House road. We sat down near the bridge and rested. We picked many violets. After we got back to Frederick, Miss Benson took us to Rhoades' store and I bought popsicles and candy. We all enjoy hiking.—Georgie Green.

I got an interesting letter from my brother in California. He said that his boat will go to Peru, South America, soon. He will write to me from Peru and tell me about the country there. He is a lucky boy to travel around the world. He injured several fingers on his left hand recently, but they are much better now.—Annie Meredith.

May 28 will be Commencement Day. Some of the girls and boys will be in a pageant. I expect a great many people will come. I hope they will be pleased with the exercises. They will be different this year than any other year. Perhaps many people will be surprised to see a pageant, but I know they will like it.—Sue Scheuerman.

Last Saturday afternoon we Girl Scouts hiked with Miss Benson to the Gas House bridge and back. It is about three miles from school. We stopped at Peggy Main's aunt's home to get some water to drink, and we enjoyed looking for wild flowers along the side of the road. It was a fine, warm afternoon, and we enjoyed our walk very much.—Katherine Strosnider.

About two weeks ago the Catholic girls and boys in our school went to a party at the Catholic Church hall. We played bingo, and I won four prizes. I got a handkerchief, some face powder, a bar of soap and a wash cloth and a box of letter paper. We had a good time at the party, and we were very glad that the people of the church invited us to it.—Vera Cirri.

We are studying the names of vegetables and flowers this month. There are several vegetables that I do not like. My teacher told me that I should eat all kinds because they help to keep us healthy. There are several kinds of flowers blooming in the yard—tulips, violets, lilacs and iris. The rose is my favorite flower and sweet potatoes and cucumbers are my favorite vegetables.—Nancy Tannenbaum.

The Martin Johnsons while in Africa a few years ago stayed at night sometimes in a protected wagon to take pictures of feeding animals. They did not want to kill them, but just to take photographs of them. Once a lion was found chewing one of the tires and had to be shot before he could finish his meal on the passengers. I think Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson were brave people to live in "Darkest Africa."—Estella Gillispie.

One of my teachers told me that "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" was an interesting new movie in technicolor about a feud of war between two families in the Virginia mountains and that the scenery was beautiful. This year producers have planned to make ten or twelve new pictures in color. The color process has not been perfected yet, but it is being improved all of the time. I hope to see some of the new pictures in color.—Clara Koontz.

On April 25 we girls of the New Era Club rode in the school truck to Camp Baker where we stayed over night. Miss Wohlstrom and Miss Babcock went with us as our chaperons. Every girl helped in cooking our meals, and in doing the work around the camp. After dinner we walked to Braddock Heights which is about one mile from Camp Baker. We spent a lot of time in the woods near the camp. Everybody had a fine time and all are looking forward to another week-end at Camp Baker next year.—Mildred Dick.

My teacher says that she is going to travel around the world, starting June eleventh. She will go to New York first, then leave there and go through the Panama Canal to San Francisco, California, on to Hawaii, Philippine Islands, Japan and China. Then she will go to Ceylon and Bombay, India, Egypt and through the Red Sea, on to Italy and finally to Marseille, France. Then she will return to New York. I hope Miss Witcher will enjoy her trip a great deal. I wish I could go around the world too. I am certainly envious of her.—Anna Menhorn.

There was an apple blossom festival in Winchester, Virginia, recently. Thousands of people from several near-by states, went there to see the pageant and the apple blossoms. It is an annual affair. There were numerous apple trees in bloom. A beautiful young lady is always

chosen for queen. She is crowned by the governor or some other important person. It is a pretty sight. Richmond Kieffer's people came here and took Richmond and Scott Snyder to Winchester. I have never attended the apple blossom festival, but I wish I could go sometime.—Doris Faupel.

On Thursday evening April 23, the Catholic Daughters of America invited the Catholic boys and girls of the Maryland School for the Deaf to a social at St. John's Hall. We played bingo and many of us won prizes. We were surprised to see Father Kelly, who is the superintendent of St. Francis Xavier School for the Deaf in Baltimore and, also, my priest at home, at the party. He seemed to enjoy talking with us. After the games we went into another room and found a beautifully decorated table. On the table were nuts, cakes, pineapple juice, ice cream, fruit, and candy for refreshments. Later in the evening some ladies who were present brought us back to school in their cars. We had spent a delightful evening and thought the members of the club were very kind to invite us to the social. I wrote a letter to Miss Mary Russel who is president of the club and expressed our appreciation for their kindness in inviting us.—Marie Meyd.

Camp Baker is near Braddock Heights. There are crude houses, one used for cooking and eating and the other for sleeping. There is a small grove composed of many young pine trees, also other trees as well as numerous wild flowers. At first when we reached the camp one Saturday recently, we unpacked our picnic supplies and then walked about while several other girls prepared our dinner. After the meal we all walked over to Braddock Heights where we spent several hours looking around and taking pictures. Finally we went to the store where we bought some candy and ice cream. Later we went back to camp and I helped to prepare supper. After clearing away the tables we popped corn and played games until bedtime. I woke up several times during the night and turned over as sleeping on the floor was not so soft. In the morning after breakfast we walked about in the woods and fields. I saw many lovely views. I had a delightful time and would like to repeat the charming experience.—Ruby Dille.

Boys' Items

I helped Mr. Charles Creager to move the chicks from the old laundry to the poultry house. The school has 500 chicks now. I took the chicks in a box on the wheelbarrow.—Veril Click.

Every morning we look out of the school room window. We can see a mother robin and three baby robins in a nest under the power house ventilator roof. The mother bird feeds her babies.—Edward Bodensteiner.

Last February I started to make a small model of a ship. I did not finish it because I went to the Frederick City Hospital for an operation. It took me three months to make it. Last week I painted it brown, black, and white. Maybe I shall put it in the exhibit at Commencement.—Lee Hudson.

Last week the boys practiced running on the track on Bjorlee Field. We will compete with the Frederick High School and Church Street School on Friday afternoon, May 15, on our field. We will try our best to win the most points. We like the exercise for our health.—Herbert Frey.

Henry W. Longfellow and John G. Whittier were born in the same year, but not the same month. They wrote many beautiful poems, some of which we have learned. They were famous poets of New England. I wish some one of our pupils could be famous in some way.—Philip Mumford.

Last April, Dr. Bjorlee had many new trees planted on the side and back campus of our school. Some of the old trees had died. We have many trees on our school grounds. There are dogwood, elm, linden, maple, horse chestnut, apple, cherry, sweet gum, and other kinds. In the spring they are beautiful.—Fred Connick.

On our school grounds there are two big horse chestnut trees which are now in bloom. Their blossoms are long and white like candles. They also have clusters of several big leaves. They are the good work of Mother Nature who makes everything look pretty and attractive in spring.—James Ford.

The Senior Reading Room boys planned the entertainment that was given in the chapel last Saturday night. We gave three different short playlets, which were call-

ed, "Worry and Peace," "Come Back to Life," and "The Peters Murder Case." They were very good. Everyone seemed to enjoy them very much.—Thaddeus Juchno.

Last Friday morning at about ten o'clock my family came to see me. We all went to Winchester, Virginia, to the Apple Blossom Festival. Of course we had a fine time. After we left Winchester we rode around and saw many interesting places, including Harper's Ferry where the bridge was carried away in the Potomac flood recently.—Richmond Kieffer.

Some of our boys have been practicing running, hoping that they will win in the track and field meet which we will have soon. Then some boys from the Frederick High School, and from the Church Street School will compete with us on Bjorlee Field. I do hope we will make a good record this year, and a better one than we made last year.—Daniel Kalinowski.

Last Sunday morning I went to 7:30 service at the Catholic church in Westminster. I was spending the week end at home. After church my father and I went to the country to see a friend who is a farmer. We walked around the farm and father heard a noise and jumped over a fence. He killed a large snake. I do not know what kind of snake it was.—Robert Haines.

A few weeks ago, my parents brought my new bike, which I received at Christmas. I ride on it almost every day and have an enjoyable time. Several other boys have their own bicycles too. I wash my bike and keep it clean. I shall take it home this summer and hope I can often ride it to the shore, about five miles from home, for I want to learn to swim. I shall ride it to Hampstead too, to see the baseball games.—George Singer.

We shall be having our examinations next week, and soon after that it will be time to go home for the summer vacation. I shall be very glad to be with my family again. This is the first time that I have ever been away from home for such a long time. I shall miss this school very much because I like it here, and I think I shall be glad to get back to school in the fall after the vacation is over. Then I shall be sorry to leave home again, for I like to be on the farm.—William Jones.

One afternoon last month, Lewis Longfellow, Thaddeus Juchno, Charles Knowles, Kenneth Brown, and I went to the Y. M. C. A. to take the Boy Scout Life Saving Test. The athletic director of the Y. M. C. A. gave us the examination. I was delighted that I passed. Now, I am an Eagle Scout and shall receive my Eagle Badge on Commencement Day. During the summer vacation I shall go to the Y. M. C. A. in Baltimore and practice for the Red Cross life saving examination as I want a Red Cross senior life saving badge.—Benjamin Myerovitz.

Last Sunday evening Morris Highkin and I walked down to the garage, stopped at a tree and looking up saw a nest. Pretty soon a bird flew along and stopped at the nest. It had yellow and black feathers and it was a goldfinch. I have seen flickers, woodpeckers and wood thrushes this spring. When I get home, I shall buy some bird books. I love to watch the birds make their nests and to find out their names. Somebody told me that when a bird was building in a nest near Henry Ford's front door, he went around to the back door so as not to disturb it.—Fred Schroeder.

On Saturday, May 2, which was a very warm morning, George Singer, Armstrong Elliott, Mr. McVernon, and I went in Mr. Hahn's 1936 Hudson car to the University of Maryland to take part in the field day events. At the field meet we represented our school in several of the races. I lost in the 880 yard dash, Armstrong lost in the 100 and 220 yard dashes, and George Singer lost in the one mile race. We were sorry that we won no honors, but we enjoyed the trip very much nevertheless.—Charles Knowles.

After the close of school in June I hope to go to visit our national capital. I want to visit the new Supreme Court Building, the Archives Building, the Pan American Union, and several other new buildings which I have never been in. I have a ticket that will admit me to the Senate gallery until January third. I hope I can go there this year, while the Senate is in session. Last year I was so thrilled to be able to see the Senate in session. I saw the Vice President and several well known senators.—Robert Muckey.

Recently, one of my teachers went to

Lilypons, Md., a little place about ten miles from Frederick. Lilypons has a postoffice but no houses nearby. It has many goldfish ponds where different kinds of goldfish are raised. The water is piped from the Monocacy River into the ponds. When the fish are grown they are sent to all parts of the country. Miss Lily Pons, the French singer, now in America, often sends her Christmas cards to Lilypons to be mailed. Many people think that Lilypons was named for Miss Pons, but that is not true. The ponds have many lilies which are beautiful in spring and summer.—Trimble Lammert.

On Saturday morning, May 2, Coach McVernon, Charles Knowles, George Singer and I left the school at 9:15 in Mr. Hahn's car for Washington, D. C., and the track meet at the University of Maryland. After reaching Washington we drove around the city to see the Washington Monument, the new Supreme Court Building, the White House, the Capitol, Congressional Library and Lincoln Memorial. We arrived at the university about 12:30, just in time to take part in the 100, 220, and 880 yard dashes and the mile run. We were greatly disappointed that none of us won first place. We enjoyed the tennis matches, baseball games, lacrosse and other events.—Armstrong Elliott.

One morning last April, I went into an antique dealer's shop where old furniture, guns, coins, dishes and many other articles were for sale. The dealer showed me an average sized bottle containing a mountain. On the mountain side was a little house and in front of the house stood a man, his wife, and three children. It was an interesting scene. The man was leaning slightly and a tree had fallen to the ground. The dealer asked me if I could make a scene like that one. When I said that I certainly could, he laughed at me. He said that he wanted the man and the tree to stand up straight. I told him that I would fix them, if he would give me a little glue, some wire, and a pair of pliers. He gave them to me and I made the man and the tree stand up. The dealer told me that I was a wonderful boy and offered me some money. I thanked him, but said that I would not take the money as I was glad that I could do that little favor for him.—Thomas Miller.

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through

Is to sit an’ tell each other what the children used
to do.

We couldn’t keep ’em always an’ we knew it from
the start;

We knew when they were babies that some day
we’d have to part.

But the years go by so swiftly, an’ the littlest one
has flown,

An’ there’s only me an’ mother now left here to
live alone.

Oh, there’s just one consolation, as we’re sittin’
here at night—

They’ve grown to men an’ women, an’ we brought
’em up all right;

We’ve watched ’em as we’ve loved ’em an’ they’re
splendid, everyone,

An’ we feel the Lord won’t blame us for the way
our work was done.

They’re clean an’ kind an’ honest, an’ the world
respects ’em too;

That’s the dream of parents always, an’ our dreams
have all come true.

So although the house is lonely an’ sometimes our
eyes grow wet,

We are proud of them an’ happy an’ we’ve nothing
to regret.”

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