

Center St. Resurfaced

Center Street, Shavertown, best known for its water-filled pot holes and wash board texture, was resurfaced recently by the Pennsylvania Department of Highways. It's smooth as velvet—a shock to any car that's used to traveling the stretch between Pioneer Avenue and Memorial Highway.

Irem String Band Ends Summer Series

Irem Temple was the scene of a lively concert by Irem String Band Sunday night under the direction

of John D. Williams. The audience joined in singing many old favorites, featuring John Thomas on the accordion. Highlight was the appearance of a sax sextet which had volunteered to come down from Binghamton. The String Band, only four years old, is the newest member of the Shrine family. It has been lauded for its performances as a parading unit. This concert brought to a close the summer concert series at the Country Club.

"A modern college athlete is one whose father continually writes to him for money."

England Is Foggy But Not Marilyn As She Heads For Year In Africa

This is for those who think that going to Africa is a terrible thing. Who'd like to go to Africa? Save your answer until you've read Marilyn Eck's experiences as a Rotary Exchange student. From the time she boarded ship, Marilyn's been caught up in a whirl of activity. She hasn't had a chance to think about being homesick. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eck, Shavertown, and is among six local students sponsored for the Exchange Program by Dallas Rotary Club. From her letter of July 27:



MARILYN ECK

"I wish we could be aboard ship at least two more weeks. It's such an education. Last year Rotary kids were pushed around—not this year. We have the run of the boat. We write articles for the paper, take language lessons, were in two sketches in the talent show and won second prize in the costume ball. (One of the sketches was from The Unsinkable Molly Brown). "The boat is so big I still get lost. "Our day's schedule: 8:15—Breakfast. After—clean up rooms, take language instructions, play checkers, cards, etc. 12:45 lunch. Afterwards: bull sessions, cards, letter writing, nap, movie, practice for talent show, interview for paper, etc. 4:45—tea. After—ironing for dinner, play cards, etc. 7:45—dinner. After—dancing in bar or Teagan Room. Bingo, Horseshoe, listening to symphonic music. WONDERFUL. 10:30—sandwiches served in Taverna (bar). Back to room. Bull sessions, cards. To bed by 3:30-6:00.

"I've learned to drink tea. We have tea every day at 4:45. I drank it when I got a little dizzy and seasick our first day on open seas and I've had it nearly every meal since. "What bull sessions we have, about everything imaginable. "In church Sunday, the service was in three languages—English, Dutch and German. I didn't get much from the sermon—it was in German. "We're off the coast of Ireland now. It's beautiful. The weather is horrible though. We've been freezing the whole trip. We wear slacks and sweaters mostly. We just had a 45-minute stop in Ireland. Is it fabulous! It's so good and beautiful. Big forests come right down to the water's edge. Neat little farms are laid out on the hillsides showing forth browns and greens. Castles protect hilltops. Big stone walls surround the castles in irregular patterns on the rocky crags. "Bands played in greeting as passengers disembarked. Sail boats with blue sails sailed around the Arkadia in welcome. The bay was calm and the water green. "Today a Trinidad native taught us a Trinidad card game. "The sea hasn't been choppy at all. The boat rolls and it's really fun trying to walk in a straight line. We have to keep our porthole closed because the sea washes into it and it leaks. We open it when the steward isn't around. It looks like an automatic washing machine. Letter of July 30 "Well, I've been in England almost two days now! I got off the boat yesterday at 7:30 a.m. after we had left off passengers in Le Havre. The man who met me put me on the train for London. There I was met by my host, G. Simmons, Esq. We were at his home by 10:15 a.m. Before I got to the home I had seen Baker Street, Piccadilly, Buckingham Palace and many others but I was so tired that everything was rather vague. I hadn't gone to bed the night before so I went to bed at 10:30 and woke up this morning at 7:50—nearly twenty two hours later. "I've had nine cups of tea so far today. Here they put milk in as well as sugar and it's delicious. "There are two children—Wendy, 6, and Chris, almost 5. It's funny to hear children speak such formal English. They laugh at such phrases as "backyard" ("back garden," if you please). Commonplace phrases are: "ring up a friend," plait your hair, "prams," etc. Everything is jolly good. "The bathtubs are funny. They are very long and very narrow. I don't know how fat people fit into them. Quite quaint.

The homes are so much prettier than ours. They are brick or stucco with vines on them and they usually have bay windows. Right now I'm watching an American TV show, Bonanza. Comedians are on TV and they are mocking the latest world developments (Russians won't invite Britains into their circle because they can't afford to live in England, etc.). As you probably know, Britains cost of living has gone up 1 1/2 points. Coffee, cigarettes and many other things have gone up also. Taxes seem to be a universal sore spot.

"Is it funny driving on the left side of the street! The driving column is on the opposite side from ours. The roads are narrower and more windy, but they are much more beautiful than ours. They look like pictures from a story book. Who said England's foggy! Today I saw the first real sunshine since leaving home. It was gorgeous, about 85 degrees, not humid, and sunny all day. We had lunch outside and tea at the country club. The main building at the club is a real old home. Ann Boleyn was imprisoned there while Henry VIII was trying to divorce her. The country club is not nearly as pretty as ours. Sand traps have brown sand. However, the gardens around the lawn and clubhouse are out-of-this-world. Huge Cedars of Lebanon spread protecting branches over much of the lawn. August 14—Africa While in England Marilyn stayed with three families. After the Simmons she was one day with the Sidwa family from India. Mr. Sidwa is the vice-president of the Bank of India. His niece, Homai, showed Marilyn around London. "London has fabulous shops for woolen goods." The third family was the Joneses. Their twenty-three-year-old daughter arranged a date for Marilyn and they introduced her to a "quaint" English pub. The following night they went to the Royal Festival Ballet. "Fabulous! Out of this world," says she. Commenting on the plane trip to Africa. "It killed me to be in Rome and Nairobi and not be able to tour. "I was met in Salisbury by Cecil Wright. Salisbury is beautiful. I was shown through the African slums. Wish our slums looked like that. "When I got here (Southern Rhodesia) I was met by Dr. Thompson Rhona, Lynne, Rod and Rod's friends Chris, Colin and Dee. "They do have basketball in Southern Rhodesia, it's called netball. "They're home is really beautiful, modern and expensive. "Thompsons have a few pets. Like say, four dogs, four parakeets, twelve chickens, three rabbits, nine pigeons, one cat, two white mice, two snakes and one goss hawk. "There are scads of servants running around. "The day after I got here, Rod and I went to see a hilarious play called 'Roar Like A Dove.' We ran out of gas! We walked 1 1/2 miles home—me in high heels. "Sunday night a member of Parliament and the Secretary of African Affairs were here. So far I've met the mayor, three British members of Parliament and the forementioned. There have been so many boys

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Our Lady, Mount Carmel Makes Plans For Auction

Holy Name Society, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Lake Silkworth, will sponsor an auction to be held on the parish grounds September 2 starting at 11 a.m. Rev. S. F. Banas and Rev. Francis Dobry-

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