

### 3,269 Beavers Trapped In State's 1962 Season

Trappers caught 3,269 beavers in Pennsylvania during the 1962 beaver season, February 10-March 18. The take is considered about average for the State. During the 1961 season the harvest of the large fur-bearers was 5,333. In 1960 it was 2,940.

Again, the Game Commission's northeast division accounted for more of the animals than any of the other five. Wayne County was highest in the State with a take of 394 beavers. Susquehanna County was second with 354.

Other "high" counties and the catch in each follow: Crawford County, 262; Tioga, 202; Bradford, 195; Luzerne, 164; Monroe, 158; Sullivan, 150; Wyoming, 137; Elk, 124; Clearfield, 117; Lackawanna, 116 and McKean, 102.

Interestingly, 24 of the animals were trapped in Beaver County. In the remainder of the counties the number of beavers taken by trappers

ranged all the way from one each in Bucks, Dauphin, and Northumberland to 96 in Pike.

### To Give Recital June 3

Voice and piano students of Marie L. Lewis will be presented in a recital in the Dallas Senior High School Music Room on Sunday afternoon, June 3.

The following students will participate in the 2 o'clock recital: Allan Brown, Susan Buean, Kevin Covert, Michael Evans, Thomas Jenkins, Debbie Kleiner, Shari Kitchen, Ruth Lewis, Patti Lewis, Nancy Love, and Carol Neyhard.

At the 4 o'clock recital: Vickie Dittlow, Terri Jo Dittlow, Gloria Dolbear, Herbert Gerhart, Barbara Honeywell, Rosellen Klaboe, Marsha Sowden, Paula Scott, Thomas Vernon, and Alice Weaver.

There will be approximately one hour between recitals. Friends and relatives are invited to attend either or both recitals; there will be no charge for admission.

### Suffer The Little Children



Sister Augustine heads a seven-member staff at The Benedictine School for Exceptional Children.

### Memorial Day Parade Most Beautiful Ever

Memorial Day parade, says Mrs. James Besecker, was the nicest she has ever seen. Watching it from her porch on Lake Street as it left the War Memorial and turned up toward Warden Cemetery, she particularly enjoyed Alfred Camp's Junior High School Band, and the sight of the mammoth flag carried in the procession.

### Manslaughter Trial To Continue Today

Trial of Dr. Benjamin Groblewski, held on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in the highway death of Mrs. Sarah May of Beaumont just before Christmas, will continue today at 10, when further testimony will be heard before Judge Jacob Schiffman. Proceedings were recessed because of Memorial Day holiday.

### Official Delegates

Jerome Gardner, the official delegate from Dallas Kiwanis Club, and Mrs. Gardner, will leave by motor for Denver on June 6th or 7th so that they can be on hand to greet the Key Club when it arrives. Robert Maturi was to have been the other delegate from the Dallas Club but since he is unable to go, becomes immediately aware of an unexpected aura of natural happiness. And love seems to be as plentiful as air for breathing — to be taken as needed.

Of course, one of the reasons the school seems so homey is that each child gets individual attention. Sister Augustine, who directs the school, explains it when she says: "Each child is unique and has a definite place in God's plan—the Sisters endeavor to help each one toward fulfillment of this plan."

The Benedictine School for Exceptional Children is said to be the only boarding school of its type in Maryland. Being unique is nothing new for this institution once known as St. Gertrude's Academy, was the first and only boarding school operated by nuns on the Eastern Shore, and provided an educational program for girls of normal mentality.

It all began back in 1887 when nuns of the Order of St. Benedict (the oldest order of teaching nuns in the world) purchased the 750-acre estate and manor house of journalist Thorndike Rice. It was started as the motherhouse of the order and opened the school in 1886.

The changeover from a girls' academy to a school for the mentally retarded was made in 1959, beginning with 19 children. The following year enrollment nearly doubled.

The school has no restrictions as to race, color or religion. Individual applications are submitted to a Board of Admissions which meets semi-annually and only those children are rejected who would not benefit by the school program.

The children are divided into five groups according to age and ability and follow a closely structured program. Classes begin at nine and end at 3:30, at which time other planned activities are begun.

The curriculum includes reading, arithmetic, phonics, language, speech correction, arts, crafts, cooking, music, religion and typing.

The day of the school is well planned, regulated and supervised to bring out the best in each child. This helps the St. Benedictine Sisters to achieve their objectives, which are: to educate the educable retarded; to train the highly trainable; to develop to the fullest their talents and abilities so that they can adapt themselves to society and home life at least to some degree.

The school is still too young to measure its accomplishments in terms of "successful graduates," but even the visitor, as he walks away, is aware of the contagious faith that seems to assure success.

William Wright, who was an alternate delegate, will be the other official delegate.

### Three More Gallon Blood Donors Get Award Pins

Gallon pins were awarded to three members of the Back Mountain community, following the bloodmobile donation April 27 which made them eligible for the honor, and bringing the total number of one-gallon donors in the Wyoming Valley Red Cross area up to 1526.

They are: William Wright, New Goss Manor; Robert Addison, Back Mountain YMCA secretary; and Mrs. Elwood Swingle, coordinator of the PTA Council Blood Donation program.

### Community Award

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at college for an extra day after graduation, to add their bit to the success of the dinner.

Chairman Rev. Robert D. Yost thanked his committee and the Miscericordia players.

Mr. Brown had not expected to wear so many hats at the ceremony, but the Honorable Dan Flood, who was to have acted as toastmaster, was recovering from an operation and unable to be present, and Judge Bernard Brominski, elected to fill Flood's place, was taken sick late that afternoon.

A congratulatory telegram from Dan Flood was read.

In the reception line before the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Risley, Father Kane, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Laux, Dr. and Mrs. F. Budd Schooley, Atty. and Mrs. Brown, Rev. and Mrs. Lawry, Sister Celestine and Sister Marianna.

Guests were: Rev. Russell C. Lawry, Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Schooley, Charles H. Glave, Atty. and Mrs. James L. Brown, Judge Ben R. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Risley, Rev. Robert D. Yost, Sister M. Celestine RSM, Sister Marianna RSM, Mrs. Charles Glave, Rev. Francis A. Kane, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Richardson, Mr.

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Sister Jeanette instructs the Readiness Group in reading

### Former Idetown Girl, Now A Nun, Heads Maryland School For Children

A dedicated young woman, Sister Mary Augustine, is doing a magnificent work for retarded children at the Benedictine School in Denton, Maryland.

She is the former Mary Kern, daughter of Mrs. Marion A. Kern and the late Edwin Kern of Idetown.

We asked Editor Emory Dobson of the County Record, Denton, Maryland for permission to republish his story on her work. The Post is always anxious

to hear about the activities of young men and women who have gone out from this community to make their mark elsewhere.

We hope their families will not hesitate to tell us about them and help us to obtain their stories.

by EMORY DOBSON

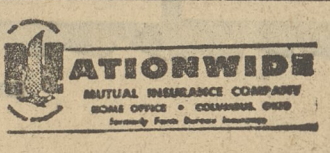
She was a tiny, delicate little thing with bright blue eyes and taffy-colored tresses. She stood there, prim and pretty, smiling as if she knew some special secret.

The nun in charge said the little girl was ten years old—that she was just learning to talk.

There are 41 other youngsters—boys and girls—like her at The Benedictine School, near Ridgely in Caroline County. All are mentally retarded.

The uninitiated visitor steels himself against heartbreak when he enters the big three-story building, which serves as both dormitory and school. But any fear of such a thing is quickly dissolved by a tinkling laugh, a triumphant shout evoked by successful achievement, a little hand held out in warm and sincere welcome.

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