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25 Years Ago Family Helps Bell's Snack Bar Get Back In business After Flood — Although Bell's Snack Bar, outside of Taneytown on the Emmittsburg Road, had been swamped with water to the roof during the flood last month and one of the ice cream freezers ended up in a tree 15 feet above the ground, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Livesay, who run the place, are hopeful that they will be back in business this weekend. The silver panel truck, circled in the Record's flood picture last week, was standing high and dry on the other side of the building where the current had swept it; but a small key to one of the appliances still lay where it had been placed before the flood, unmoved by waters which had swirled over it. *The Carroll Record*, July 13, 1972.

50 Years Ago FLOOD LIGHTS FOR PLAY GROUND — Lions Club To Present Latest Improvement To Mayor And Council Tonight - The Westminster Lions Club announced plans for the formal presentation of the play ground night lighting system for this evening. The club members sponsored the recent carnival for the purpose of devoting the proceeds towards a lighting system on the Municipal Playground. The club will formally present the system, which has been completed and will illuminate the entire playground. It will be presented to the mayor and common council. The electricity light will be furnished by the City and not by the Lions Club as was mentioned last week. The presentation ceremony will take place on the playgrounds at 9 p.m., just prior to the commencement of the first night game to be played under them. From 8:30 to 9 p.m., there will be a short band concert. The music will be furnished by William F. Myers Son's band. *Democratic Advocate*, July 11, 1947.

75 Years Ago CHAUTAUQUA IN PROGRESS — The Westminster Chautauqua opened Wednesday afternoon with an excellent program and good audiences to enjoy the splendid selections. The Chautauqua superintendent opened the session with an address of greetings. The Swarthmore Versatile Six, a sextet of talented young ladies in a program of music, entertained both afternoon and evening. The Junior Chautauqua held its exercises, followed by Will H. Lea, an entertaining clown. In the evening Charles Ross Taggart, a musical humorist, presented two of his best selections "The Man from Vermont" and "The Old Country Fiddler." Yesterday was taken up by the Junior Chautauqua and Chautauqua superintendent in the morning. In the afternoon a concert was given by the Ernest Gamble Concert Party, composed of Ernest Gamble, Miss Clara Stadelman and Miss Verna Leone Page. The selections were delightful and attractive. They also entertained in the evening, followed by Julius Caesar Nayphe, in "An Oriental Pageant." The young Athenian was born in Grecian and educated in Palestine and this country. He appeared in the striking Oriental costume. *American Sentinel*, July 14, 1922.

100 Years Ago Manchester — The glorious 4th was pretty generally observed in our town. The stores were closed and work of all kinds generally suspended, while young America, with toy pistol and fire cracker, made all the noise possible. A pleasant feature of the morning was a parade of juveniles, with horn and drum, marshalled by Mr. C. Miller. The paper cap and tin sword, with plenty of bunting, made a good display. Master Ross Shower represented Uncle Sam and Hirst Handley the Goddess of Liberty, both with good effect. A family picnic, in the afternoon, in Miller's woods, north of town, was indulged in by 59 persons and a general good time enjoyed by all. At night the street was ablaze for quite a time

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with rockets, wheels and numerous other explosives, which were enjoyed by the crowds, while the Junior Band discoursed some good music in their open air concert. *American Sentinel*, July 10, 1897.