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25 Years Ago Mobile Recreation Unit To Be Here July 30 to Aug. 2 - Unit Contains Necessary Materials For Variety Of Activities - Will Be Stationed At Elementary School—The Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks has procured a mobile recreation unit for the recreation councils of the county. The unit is to be on loan to the various councils upon requests. It contains the necessary materials for a variety of activities. The recreation unit will be in Mt. Airy next week, at the Mt. Airy Elementary School. It is hoped that Mt. Airy residents will come out and enjoy these programs. *The Community Reporter*, July 26, 1974.

50 Years Ago Horse Show Aug. 14th—Plans for the 15th annual horse show, sponsored by the Westminster Riding Club, are being made by the officers. Edward J. Eckenrode, chairman, announced that he plans to send entries soon to horsemen. He said that classes and prizes also will be announced soon. All club members are requested to volunteer on which committee they choose to serve. Paul E. Lawyer was announced as a new club member at the meeting Monday when Donald Muth, vice president, was in charge. Reports on club progress were made by Mrs. W. A. Pickens, secretary, and David S. Babylon, treasurer. It also was reported that numerous reservations have been made for the horse show dance, which will be held the evening before the show opens. George D. Osborne is chairman of the dance committee. Reservations for tables may be placed with Mrs. Edward Eckenrode, telephone 86-J, or Mrs. Roger T. Brown, telephone 438-R. *Democratic Advocate*, July 22, 1949.

75 Years Ago To Have Chamber Of Commerce—At the call of T. W. Mather, Jr., Charles W. Klee and C. Edgar Nusbaum, well known business men and boosters of Westminster, about 75 citizens from this city gathered at the Firemen's building, Wednesday afternoon to consider and hear the views of the business men as to the advisability of forming a Chamber of Commerce for this city. The meeting was opened by electing William T. Mather, Jr., temporary chairman, and J. Thomas Anders secretary. The chairman asked for the men to express themselves on the subject, which brought forth opinions of a number, which lead to the election of officers. The officers elected are to make plans and set the wheels in motion for a successful beginning of the organization. They are President, C. Edgar Nusbaum; Vice President, Miller Richardson; Executive Committee, Joseph Mathias, Carroll Albaugh, D. S. Gehr, W. H. Davis, William N. Keefer, Joseph E. Hunter and T. W. Mather, Jr. *Democratic Advocate*, July 25, 1924.

100 Years Ago A Daring Highway Robbery—One of the most daring highway robberies ever committed in this county was perpetrated on the public road half a mile southwest of Marston at 2 o'clock last Monday afternoon. William or "Billy" Wood, as he is familiarly called, a man nearly 80 years old, was assaulted by a strange young colored man, who robbed him of his pocketbook containing \$25, and also of about \$4 which he had loose in his pockets. Securing the money, he fled across the fields toward Mount Airy, and was seen later several miles nearer that place. He was not known to any person who saw him, but is described as above the medium height, slender and very black. He wore black clothes and a black cap. He has not been apprehended. *American Sentinel*, July 22, 1899.