

**October 27, 1996**

**25 Years Ago** Fakes Found In Bill Changer - Westminster city police and U.S. Secret Service agents are investigating two counterfeiting incidents at Western Maryland College where photocopied dollar bills were fed into a dollar changing machine. The city police said that the Secret Service is investigating the fake bills and added that they have no leads in the case. The incidents took place on Wednesday and Thursday last week when an employee of the College Grill found a total of 9 bogus bills in the vending machine. Since the incident was reported, the Mack Vending Company, owner of the machine, have readjusted it so it will reject the fake money, the police said. *Democratic Advocate*, October 28, 1971.

**50 Years Ago** Big Hollowe'en Mummers Parade Thursday Night - The parade will form at the State Armory, moving at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 31, going to Main street and Pennsylvania avenue, returning east on Main to Court street, returning on Main to the municipal playground in rear of Armory, where the prizes will be awarded. Starting at 9 o'clock there will be a Promenade and Dance in Armory. There will be a charge of 40 cents to defray the expenses. Prizes will be awarded those who enter the Promenade in the Armory. Children will have proper protection in line of parade, and all who participate are expected to be in line of parade from start to finish. The streets will be blocked off and the city officers and Legionnaires will assist in giving proper protection. Prizes will be cash and there will be more to offer this year. It is requested that parents encourage their children to take part and the adults as well. *Democratic Advocate*, October 25, 1946.

**75 Years Ago** Monday evening will be Hallowe'en when the goblins and spooks execute all kinds of mischievous pranks. Innocent mischief at this time can be excusable, but destructive celebrations should not be indulged in or encouraged. One of the worst of these is piling the square full of miscellaneous articles, for should a fire break out when the streets at this point are blocked, the delay occasioned might prove very disastrous and costly. Let the young folks have their fun but by all means refrain from damaging property or blocking the streets. *Union Bridge Pilot*, October 28, 1921.

**100 Years Ago** CORNER-STONE LAYING, The Corner-Stone of Alumni Hall, W. Md. College, to be Laid Next Tuesday - I am very glad to have the opportunity of calling the attention of the friends of Western Maryland College to a very interesting event which must be acknowledged as of great importance in the history of the progress of the college. The occasion will be the laying of the cornerstone of Alumni Hall, which was begun last August, and the foundation being now complete is ready for this important and interesting ceremony. The stone will be laid Tuesday Oct. 27, at 3 o'clock, by Door-to-Virtue Lodge, A.F. & A.M., of Westminster. President Gilman and Dean Griffin, of Johns Hopkins University will be present to make addresses, the Glee Club will sing, and the occasion will be enlivened with music by the Westminster Band. A large number of visitors from out of town—alumni, old students and interested friends—is expected, and all our friends from Westminster and vicinity are invited to be present to celebrate with us this great occasion. T. H. Lewis, President. *Democratic Advocate*, October 24, 1896.