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25 Years Ago YMCA FORMULATING PLANS TO CONDUCT SUMMER DAY CAMP - The Carroll County YMCA Program Committee, under the direction of W. Norris Weis, has begun to formulate plans for its summer day camp. The 1971 season has been extended to four two-week sessions covering an eight week period. The sessions are scheduled to begin on June 28, July 12, July 26 and August 9. Presently the committee is in the process of securing the staff to include the director, four senior counselors and four counselors in training. Interested persons may apply at the YMCA office at 117 E. Main St., Westminster. Additions to this year's camping staff, which will improve the programmed activities, are a program coordinator and possibly a foreign counselor. Scheduled events will include aquatics, nature and camp craft, arts and crafts, sports and special theme days. Both boys and girls ages 6 to 14 are eligible to be enrolled as campers. Transportation will again be provided at key pick-up points throughout the county for the convenience of the campers. Scholarships are being sought so that the underprivileged youths of the area can take advantage of the opportunity of having a day camp experience. *Community Reporter*, February 19, 1971.

50 Years Ago LADIES NIGHT BY WESTMINSTER BAND - The Westminster Band will hold its first ladies' night since the war tonight. The annual custom of ladies' night has been revived and will take place on the second floor of the City Restaurant. A program is being arranged by James Earp, Glenn Miller, John W. Peltz and J. Daniel Smith, with Orville Earhart acting as chairman. Following the program, a history of the band will be given by Francis C. Keefer. Dancing and refreshments will follow. The program will be as follows: march, "Waldmere," by the band; instrumental duet, "Beautiful Dreamer," Samuel P. Calrider and John Schweigart; instrumental quartet, "Carry Me Back To Ole Virginny," by Walter Bell, Raymond H. Bennighof, Glenn A. Miller and Edgar Weigle; piano solo, Francis Keefer; "Pennsylvania Polka," by the band; "God Bless America," by the band and solo by J. Pearre Wantz, Jr.; and "Old Canvales," by the band. John Schweigart is director of the band. *Democratic Advocate*, February 15, 1946.

75 Years Ago Carroll county appears to have been hit as hard by the financial stress as any section which has come to our notice. Teachers' pay are being withheld owing in lack of funds and it appears the county has reached the limit of its credit. A few years ago, comparatively, when taxes were below the dollar mark, we were told that the outlook for a lower rate of taxation was bright. To day the rate is higher than ever, while the county's treasury is in bad shape. What a rich collection of political ammunition to be used in our coming local elections! Let the voter be unbiased in his judgment, for remember, with every section wanting \$55,000 schools and \$50,000-a-mile roads, there will be enough uses for the county's money to keep its treasury in its present condition for years to come regardless of which of the political parties may be at the helm. *Union Bridge Pilot*, February 18, 1921.

100 Years Ago On last Monday morning Mr. Thomas Martin who was hauling grain to this place and was returning home, stopped at the post office for his mail, leaving his team standing. He was talking to some person when some snow fell from the roof of Mr. T. H. Eckenrode's house frightening the horses, which started. He endeavored to check them, but the rein by which he caught the off horse broke, throwing him under the wheels of the wagon, which passed over his body, breaking three of his ribs and puncturing one of his lungs. The team, which endeavored to run into an alley, did not make the turn

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properly and all four horses were thrown together on a pile. The wagon tongue was broken and the horses considerably scarred. Mr. Martin was at once taken into the drug store of Mr. John McKellip, and a physician immediately called to him. He was afterwards taken to his home, near Martin's schoolhouse. Your correspondent is glad to learn that at this writing he is improving as rapidly as possible, from the effects of the accident, which might have cost him his life. *American Sentinel*, February 15, 1896.