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25 Years Ago Morgan Chapel Prepares to Mark Centennial Year - Congregation Celebrating Its 100th "Birthday" During 1971 — Various Commemorative observances Planned - the congregation of Morgan Chapel, Woodbine, proudly announces the celebration of its centennial year in 1971. One hundred years ago, in May of 1871, a group of laymen under the leadership of Captain James Morgan established the Chapel as a community church to serve the Woodbine area. From that time until 1905 it existed as a small, one-room frame building at the intersection of Hoods Mill and Woodbine roads. (The foundation of this original structure is still visible on occasion during wet weather). In 1905 a new sanctuary was erected about fifty yards north of the old site, a structure which was rebuilt and enlarged in 1943. In 1945, with the help of 3,000 man-hours donated from the surrounding community, the Education Hall was finished and dedicated. *Community Reporter*, February 26, 1971.

50 Years Ago PARKING METERS HEARING MARCH 21 - The long awaited court action against the parking meters for our city will be heard in the Circuit Court for Carroll County with Associate Judge Clark, of Howard County, on the bench, on Thursday, March 21 at 10 a.m. The original bill of complaint was filed Sept. 19, 1941 by T. William Mather, Jr., George K. Mather, Frank W. Mather, Harry Rosenstock, Fred J. Schmitt and Ezra W. Harbaugh vs. the Mayor and Common Council of Westminster. The meters were not installed in the proposed sections of Westminster, and no hearing was had in the matter. On Feb. 1, 1946 a motion was filed for a hearing in the matter by Attorneys Francis Neal Parke and Ralph G. Hoffman, and the case has been re-opened. The complainants now are: Harry Rosenstock, Fred J. Schmitt and Ezra Harbaugh, D. Eugene Walsh, counsel to the city, will represent the city. *Democratic Advocate*, March 8, 1946.

75 Years Ago Dennings - A most enjoyable day was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Wilt on Tuesday at a quilting. Everybody was busy quilting when the invitation was given to come to the dining room where the table groaned with every good thing to eat and if you think we did not do justice, just ask Mrs. Wilt. After dinner we returned to our work. At 4 o'clock we were again invited to the dining room and there the table was loaded with cakes, candy, nuts, oranges and ice cream. All did justice and there was but one thing to regret and that was, the day was too short and we did not feel the work compared with what we ate. Sorry to say the bad weather prevented some from getting there. *UnionBridge Pilot*, February 25, 1921.

100 Years Ago Indian Garden Manufacturing Company - Editor of Sentinel: While Union Bridge is a place generally known, yet it may be of interest to your many readers, to learn something of the Indian Garden Manufacturing company which has sprung up there in the last few months. It takes its name from the original title of the land. There have been found many evidences of the Indians in the way of rude implements of warfare. The company proposes to manufacture porcelain door knobs, individual butter plates, electrical supplies, and emery wheels. It is said there are only four or five such factories in the States. They have succeeded in getting an expert for superintendent whose father was the first man to make porcelain door knobs. The company has built a two-story house, 75 feet long by 28 feet wide, with an annex of 28 by 28 feet, in which is located the kiln which will hold 30,000 knobs. The company expects to burn the first kiln this week. After that, one kiln a week. The company has four presses, and

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each press will turn out 3,000 a day. The members of the company feel very much encouraged in their enterprise. We hope they will succeed, as it will be the means of giving employment to about 15 hands. *American Sentinel*, February 28, 1896.