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The Rambler . . . Shuns Brewing at Home

By GEORGE KENNEDY

From time to time the Rambler gets suggestions by mail or telephone that he should write about the W. S. Jenks & Son Hardware Store at 723 Seventh street N.W.

"You ought to stop by and talk to the proprietor," one wrote. "Right now he has a sign over the door, 'Washington's Leading Purveyor of Fine Horse Shoes,' and another one in a window, 'Gigantic sale on wood well buckets—$4.95.'"

The signs were there all right. At the entrance were a crockery butter churn, a cider press, a rotary motor lawnmower with a bag that catches the clippings and a copper rain gauge.

"We used to make them for the Weather Bureau," said Victor Siegel, the proprietor. W. S. Jenks started the store in 1866 at 711, a few doors south. His son, Stewart Jenks, sold the establishment to Mr. Siegel six years ago and is now happily growing oranges near Orlando, Fla.

"People think the horseshoe sign is a gag," Mr. Siegel said, "but we sell a ton of horseshoes a month. I mean shoein' shoes, not pitchin' shoes — that's a separate category.

"We sell a lot of well buckets. They're used to pot plants.

"We feature the abacus, the Oriental calculator, in order to lead off The Star's 'Miscellaneous for Sale' section in the classified ads. It's hard to get ahead of an abacus alphabetically."

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HE PICKED UP one of the frames of beads on wires, considered a toy in this country but an all-around computer in the Orient.

"But you would be surprised at how many we sell."

His assistant said, "I sold an Oriental—I don't know whether he was Japanese or Chinese—quite a bill, including one of these things. While I was toting it on the adding machine, he flipped a few beads and came out with the right answer."

Mr. Siegel said, "You'd be surprised at some of the orders we get from that ad. One was from the American Consul in Afghanistan. He wanted an oil-burning range to heat water for his laundry. We sent it to him."

We had walked to the rear of the store, which was filled with pot-bellied stoves.

"You can't buy these in every hardware store," said Mr. Siegel, "and we do a big business in them. They are made by a foundry in Waynesboro, Va. They are still the lowest-priced heating unit. The Maryland tobacco farmer will buy them for his share-cropping tenants' cottages.

"And look at these kerosene kitchen ranges. Outmoded? Yes, but they are just the thing for the summer cottage in the mountains beyond the reach of electric lines."

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BY THIS TIME we were in a section of the store dominated by crocks, little crocks, middle-sized crocks and great big crocks.

"What are these for?" the Rambler asked.

Mr. Siegel's answer was, "They usually say they are buying them to put down some pickles, but I think it's for home brew."

His assistant said, "I know it's for home brew, because I sell them the crocks, the bottles, the capping machine and the caps."

"It can be perfectly legal, you understand," Mr. Siegel hastened to interpose. "I believe that if you get some sort of license from the Alcoholic Tax Unit of the Internal Revenue Service, you can make up to 200 gallons a year at home.

"And I am told that your home-brewed beer will cost only about 2 cents for a large glass."

Momentarily that tempted the Rambler, who is a sucker for a bargain. Two cents a glass!

But when he remembered quaffing home brew in those fantastic, unbelievable, yet unforgettable years of prohibition, he had a second thought.

Phooey on it! He'll continue to pay 25 cents for a glass of beer and enjoy it.

WARNING! A check with the Internal Revenue Service reveals Mr. Siegel was misinformed. The head of a family can make 200 gallons of wine a year by notifying the Alcohol Tax Unit of his intention and promising not to sell, but making beer in the home in any quantity is a violation.

Counsel to Ask Psychiatric Test for Rees

Hasn't Decided Yet on Insanity Plea for Suspect

Melvin D. Rees, jr., the Washington musician accused of five murders in Maryland and Virginia, probably will be examined by a psychiatrist next week when he is returned to Baltimore to face trial.

One of the attorneys helping to prepare Rees' defense, Walter L. Green of Hyattsville, Md., told The Star by long-distance telephone from Jacksonville, Fla., last night it would be premature to say an insanity plea will be entered. But he said he would seek a full psychiatric examination for the 31-year-old suspect who is accused of slaying the four members of the Carroll V. Jackson family and Mrs. Margaret V. Harold during the last three years.

Mr. Green had a two-hour conference with Rees in his cell at the Shelby County Jail in Memphis, Tenn., yesterday. However, he said no decision had been reached with Federal authorities on whether the former University of Maryland student will be removed to Baltimore before a scheduled hearing on July 6.

May Waive Hearing

He said it was possible the formality of a Federal removal hearing would be waived but added, "There is no reason why Rees shouldn't stay in Memphis over the holiday."

"His parents want him back there badly," Mr. Green said.

However, United States Attorney Warner Hodges in Memphis said there had been no move yet to speed up Rees' return to Maryland.

United States Commissioner Leslie Nicholson of Memphis, before whom the hearing is scheduled to be held, said the proceeding will be conducted as scheduled unless the Government or the defense requests an earlier date.

United States Attorney Leon H. Pierson of Baltimore, who presented the case against Rees to the Federal grand jury that won his indictment under the Lindbergh Law, is expected to be out of town until after the long holiday week end.

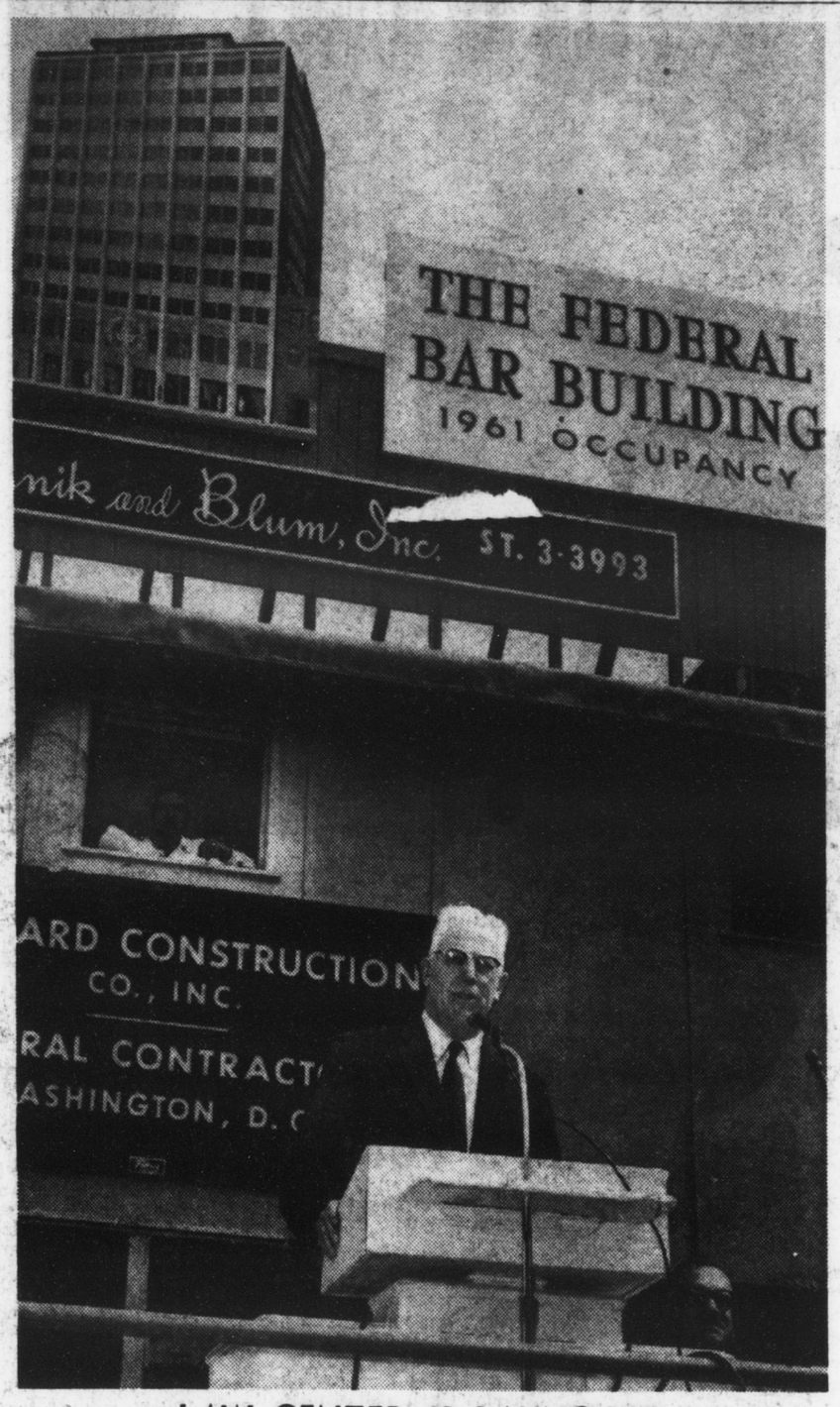
Worried by "Diary"

In his talk with newsmen before the jail conference, Mr. Green said the evidence accumulated by the FBI against Rees appears to be circumstantial. However, he said a handwritten document found in Rees' parents' home in Hyattsville "looks bad."

The writing, said to be in Rees' hand by the FBI, is described as a sort of a diary. It relates what investigators described as a "depraved and obscene" account of the last hours of the Jackson family.

Carroll V. Jackson, 29; his wife Mildred, 27, and their two daughters, Susan Ann, 5, and Janet, 18 months, were abducted on a lonley road near their Apple Grove (Va.) home on the night of January 11, 1959. Mr. Jackson, a husky truck driver, and Janet were found dead near a lumber pile close to Fredericksburg, Va., March 4, 1959. Mr. Jackson had been shot and the daughter apparently had suffocated.

Mrs. Jackson and Susan Ann apparently were driven into Maryland by the kidnaper. Their beaten bodies were found in a shallow grave near Gambrills, Anne Arundel County, Md., 17 days later.



LAW CENTER IS LAUNCHED

Chief Justice Earl Warren speaks at a ground-breaking ceremony today for the Federal Bar Building at 1815 H street N.W. The building will serve as a law center for attorneys in Government service and will house the National Lawyers Club and its modern law library.—Star Staff Photo.

Congress Units OK Home Repair Bills

Five D. C. Bills Voted For Final Senate Action

Passage Before Taking Recess Would Send Them to President

Five District bills were cleared today for possible congressional passage before the recess expected Saturday.

Sent to the Senate floor by its District Committee were measures to abolish the mandatory death penalty in the District, to require prescription sales for cough medicine now bought by some addicts and juveniles, to permit the Daughters of the American Colonists to locate a national headquarters at 2205 Massachusetts avenue N.W., and to amend laws dealing with wills and insurance.

Compromise Transit Bill

These pieces of legislation aleady have cleared the House in exactly the same form in which they were reported to the Senate. Senate action, possible today or tomorrow, would route them to the President. The other bill was a compromise transit measure reported by a Senate-House conference. House action could come today.

Only the controversial death penalty legislation faced possible objection on the Senate floor, legislators said.

As reported, it makes death the basic penalty for convicted first-degree murderers. The judge must impose a life sentence if jurors uanimously recommend this substitute.

If jurors unanimously decide on the guilt of a defendant but can't decide how he should be punished, then the judge may send him to the electric chair or to prison for life.

The bill would require a convicted murderer sentenced to life to serve 20 years before becoming eligible for parole.

The Senate District Committee, in its last session before Saturday, ignored the Commissioners' bill to speed redevelopment, despite growing pressure from the District Building for quick action.

The Commissioners also will have to wait until August for movement on their other first priority items—to create a mass transportation commission to regulate transit companies and to set fares in the area; to finance either through taxes or a Federal payment, or both, proposed salary increases and public works spending, and to raise benefits for the jobless.

The transportation compact failed to win consideration this morning from the Senate Judiciary Committee. Majority Leader Johnson of Texas made it clear that the fiscal problem must be postponed until August.

Possibility on 4 Other Bills

There is a slight chance that four other bills reported by the Senate this morning, but still pending before the House District unit, might gain a vote. They would:

Regulate the practice of physical therapists.

Free District employes from responsibility in suits brought against them for damages arising from their operation of city vehicles. The District would bear this risk.

Authorize the General Services Administrator to grant funds for construction of a 330-bed, $4.7 million convalescent hospital to be built on the grounds of the Washington Hospital Center.

Bond persons licensed by the Commissioners to engage in the home improvement business.

Bonding Slated Of Contractors And Salesmen

Both the Senate District Committee and House District Subcommittee today approved legislation to give Washington homeowners more protection against unscrupulous home-improvement contractors and salesmen.

The Senate group, moving with unprecedented swiftness, cleared the way for floor action in the Senate. On the House side, the floor committee is expected to act promptly.

Both the House and the Senate units accepted the Commissioner's amendment, which included salesmen along with contractors and broadened the Commissioners' authority to define the types of home improvement work to be included under the legislation. Basically, the legislation requires bonding of home improvement contractors and salesmen to protect homeowners against fly-by-night promoters who take money from the homeowners and skip without doing the work.

One Section Deleted

The House unit deleted one section of the bill. This provision specified that proof of a homeowner's payment to a prime contractor would constitute a defense and render void mechanics liens filed by subcontractors and laborers.

The Senate group retained the provision. If the full House committee goes along with its subcommittee, the difference will have to be ironed out in conference.

Chairman Bible of the Senate District Committee, reported his groups' unanimous support of the legislation.

The measure moved through the Senate District Committee in record time. It was introduced by Senator Bible on June 23. Senator Beall, Republican of Maryland, held hearings on the bill and pushed it through the full committee today.

On the House side, the measure was introduced by Chairman McMillan of the House District Committee on June 21 after Representative Broyhill, Republican of Virginia, took the initiative in requesting Corporation Counsel Chester Gray to draft legislation to curb fraudulent home improvement activities.

Mr. Broyhill acted immediately after publication in The Star of a week-long series entitled "Homeowner Beware," pinpointing unscrupulous practices in the home improvement industry.

2-Day Hearings

Representative Dowdy, Democrat of Texas, conducted two days of House hearings on the bill. During yesterday's hearings, Representative Broyhill got into a colloquy with Representative Foley, Democrat of Maryland, over which newspaper deserved credit for the fast-moving legislation.

Mr. Broyhill said The Star deserved all the credit for the legislation. Mr. Foley said the credit should be shared with The Washington Post and Times Herald because that newspaper had printed a story on the same subject.

Arlington Votes Study Of All Honor Societies

By JOHN BARRON
Star Staff Writer

The Arlington School Board tried to abate the county's latest controversy last night as it ordered a study of the way students are chosen for membership in honor societies.

However, it refused to initiate a specific investigation of the appointment this month of 50 Washington-Lee High School seniors to the Kalagethos National Honor Society.

In advocating the specific inquiry by five independent educators, Board Member James Stockard denounced the "extreme secrecy" he said surrounded selection of the pupils.

Action Urged Now

Asserting that outstanding students were excluded, he declared: "There is no time for correcting a mistake like the present. The time to avoid perpetuation of an injustice is now."

Mr. Stockard's proposal failed to receive a second. Board Members Robert Peck and Mrs. Elizabeth Campbell expressed doubt that outstanding educators could be recruited for the investigation.

But the board agreed that because of increasing difficulty in gaining admission to leading universities, membership in honor societies has assumed such importance that selection procedures must be rigorously fair.

Standards Sought

Mrs. Campbell and others indicated belief that the study ordered should suggest means of standardizing methods of choosing members in all four Arlington high schools next year.

Earlier, a group of irate parents, whose children were not named to Kalagethos, charged that teachers manipulated membership in it to enforce conformity and to satisfy personal grievances against individual students.

Carl G. Estabrook, whose son was denied membership although he was president of the student council and winner of a National Merit Scholarship, characterized the selection procedure as "a blackball method in which one teacher who doesn't like a student can see that he is kept out."

School Officials Disagree

School authorities emphatically disputed the charges.

Washington-Lee Principal Ben T. Norris explained last night that each faculty member nominated candidates from the top-ranking 20 per cent of the graduating class on the basis of "scholarship, leadership, service and character." the right principles, integrity and initiative," he said.

Teacher evaluations and criticisms were processed by the faculty sponsor of the honor society and sent to a nine-teacher council which picked the students by majority vote, Mr. Norris related.

Police Killer Electrocuted By Virginia

RICHMOND, June 30 (AP).—Harry E. Fuller, 32, of Alexandria, was electrocuted at the Virginia State Penitentiary today for the 1959 murder of a policeman.

Fuller, a Negro, had been convicted in the slaying of Alexandria Police Pvt. Bobbie Jean Padgett, 27. The convict was pronounced dead at 7:42 a.m. today. He was the first person to die under an Alexandria death sentence since 1910.

Pvt. Padgett was beaten and shot with his own service pistol on February 4, 1959, while investigating a complaint by another man that Fuller had attacked him. The incident occurred in Alexandria.

Police said that as Pvt. Padgett was handcuffing Fuller the latter snapped his arms back, knocking the officer's gun from his hand. Fuller grabbed the gun, shot Pvt. Padgett twice, then beat him over the head with the pistol as the officer lay on the ground.

Fuller was convicted April 10, 1959, and originally was scheduled to die last September. The first scheduled electrocution was lifted by a reprieve.

The slaying occurred when Pvt. Padgett and Pvt. Joseph Serafin, 27, were sent in separate cars to investigate an assualt complaint by a man who said Fuller had beaten him.

After Pvt. Padgett was felled, Pvt. Serafin and Fuller traded shots. The officer was wounded in the arm and two shots hit Fuller in the back before he fled. Fuller was arrested nearby a short time later.

Pvt. Padgett, a native of Roanoke, lived at 225 Chinquapin drive, Alexandria. He left his wife, Anne, and three children, Andrea, 8; Alan, 4, and Marlin, 3.

School Aides Report Improved Sex Attitude

The two-year-old sex education program in District schools is leading to more wholesome boy-girl relationships here, officials reported today.

"Secondary school boys are showing the girls more courtesy and respect," said Mrs. Lu Verne C. Walker, director of curriculum.

Birch E. Bayh, director of the entire school health program, also reported the development of "more wholesome relationships."

"What we're trying to do," he said, "is to show students that they can enjoy many things together without sex coming into the picture at all."

Supt. Carl F. Hansen released a full report today on the program. It contains comments of virtually every official connected with the program.

Mrs. Juanita Winn, director of sex education instruction at the elementary level, also reported improvement in the children's behavior and attitude about matters connected with sex.

"For example," she wrote, "one sixth-grade teacher reported that, after a detailed study of the human body, her pupils showed through their writings and attitudes greater respect and reverence for the way the body functions."

Mrs. Winn said the same teacher reported "that the boys showed respect and consideration for girls because of their knowledge of certain body functions."

The sex education program started as a pilot project in 11 schools in the fall of 1958. There had been considerable community pressure for such instruction. Many persons were alarmed at the rising number of illegitimate children and of cases of venereal disease in the District.

During 1959-60, the program was expanded to include all senior high schools, nine junior highs and 23 elementary schools. It will be expanded still more this fall, with the inclusion of all secondary schools and another 27 elementary buildings. By 1961 every school in the system will have the program.

SEND A KID TO CAMP

They Need the Help Father Never Got

Mr. Brown wanted his children to have a better life than he had, but it hasn't worked out that way so far.

"I just grew up like a weed," he told a worker. He was one of innumerable children whose parents didn't seem to care.

Mr. Brown explained: "I want to be an example for my boys."

But chronic alcoholism, which he has tried again and again to beat, has made that impossible.

He finds he offers his children little more than his own father gave him.

Mrs. Brown has turned to her oldest daughter, Mignon, 12, for help in managing the home and caring for the seven other children. With one child an invalid, Mignon's help is invaluable.

Yet Mrs. Brown wants Mignon and her little brother, Rod, to go to camp. She hopes to carry out the good intentions her husband never quite fulfills and give her children the chance he never had.

Brown is not the family's name, but their story is a true one.

Your contribution to The Evening Star Summer Camp Fund will help give two children a vacation that could change their lives.

The following gifts are acknowledged:

CAMP FUND FACTS

How to send a kid to camp:

Make out your check or money order to The Evening Star Summer Camp Fund. Mail to The Evening Star, Second street and Virginia avenue S.E., or bring cash to The Star cashier. A receptionist in the lobby will direct you to the cashier's office.

The cost—$39.30 for 12 days, $19.95 for six days.

All funds received by The Evening Star Summer Camp Fund will go to Family and Child Service of Washington, a United Givers Fund agency, for the use of its Summer Outings Committee. Family and Child Services is registered under the District of Columbia Charitable Solicitations Act No. 6-07-151.

Anonymous	2.00
Ann S. Poulson	19.95
Warren W. Scott	5.00
Anonymous	17.00
Alfred Goldsmith	19.65
Mary B. Livesey	10.00
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Mrs. H. S. Fitzsimmons, Jr.	19.95
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Mrs. V. Ash	2.00
Maxine F. Beutler	5.00
Oliver T. Carr	39.30
Mary Frances Yeatts	39.30
Richard B. Webb	19.95
Grace E. Rogers	10.00
Jane A. Delano Post 6, American Legion	39.30
Cheerio Club, Garfield-Douglas Heights	10.00
In Memory of Robert Ports Whalley	5.00
Employes Trans World Airlines, Executive Office	15.00
A Grandmother	39.30
Chad Loebs	39.30
Peter Loebs	39.30
Today's Total	$455.60
Previously acknowledged	$11,707.65
TOTAL TO DATE	$12,163.25

FEDERAL CITY GROUP DIGS IN TO HALT STATUE INVASION

The Committee of 100 on the Federal City is mobilizing to stem the army of statues invading Washington's parks.

Rear Admiral Neill Phillips, retired, committee chairman, sounded the call yesterday by saying something must be done about "the new rash of marble monuments" marching on the city's open spaces.

Instead of "great marble temples," Admiral Phillips suggested the committee fight for memorials in the form of "living things" like scholarships or new parks.

David E. Finley, a committee member and chairman of the Fine Arts Commission, agreed. But if memorials must go in the "open spaces which make Washington such a beautiful city," Mr. Finley said, they should be "small statues and not these temples."

Already, Admiral Phillips said, there are plans to build memorials here to Presidents Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt. "And soon they will want to put up memorials to President Truman and Dwight Eisenhower," he predicted.

Jubilee Queen Finds Tommy, 11, Unimpressed, but Ready to Ride

By MYRA MacPHERSON
Star Staff Writer

Tommy Tomlinson may be the only male in Washington unimpressed with the Summer Jubilee queen, Ann Wilroy.

To him, Ann is little competition for the Iwo Jima Monument, the FBI building or the stamp collector's dream house—the United States Post Office.

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Tommy is 11 and Ann is one of those older women—eight years older. Tommy admits that girls do improve in eight years. Pigtails become French twists and they get those braces off their teeth and they learn to ask questions about important things like baseball and stamps. But after all, they're still girls.

With this in mind, Tommy greeted Ann with considerable aplomb as she stepped from a convertible at the Lincoln Memorial to approach him, his 6-year-old sister Cindy and their parents, the Richard Tomlinsons of Lancaster, Pa.

Tommy acted as if it were old hat for a beautiful stranger to offer to chauffeur him around town. He accepted readily. Ann was earnest about the offer. Since her May 28 crowning, this has been one of the duties she really enjoys.

"I love meeting strangers. I just go up and introduce myself and offer to take them anywhere they want," said the willowy, 5-foot 8-inch queen. "People don't believe me at first, but when they see the Jubilee Queen sign on the car, they do."

At the wheel of the car is Jim Ford, Ann's official escort. He's director of press and publicity for the Washington Convention and Visitors' Bureau.

Yesterday was a wilting day for sightseeing, so Ann, Mr. Ford and the Tomlinsons found a soda-serving air-conditioned oasis, where Ann ticked off some of her activities.

In the morning she had breakfasted with Miss Universe contestants from other lands, then toured the Capitol with them.

The night before, she had greeted Singer Johnny Mathis at his Washington opening.

A 25-foot cruiser is at her disposal and a family from some inland city will cruise the Potomac with Ann. There are a handful of gold keys to the city she'll distribute to mayors in Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Charleston, New York, Hartford, Wilmington.

And there'll be parades, boating regattas and more lunches and dinners, so many that Ann's summer job has faded into the background. Also the hours she spends with her steady date, Clyde Hall. He lives in Washington but Ann had to communicate by letter last week.

Monday, she will be at the July 4 festivities at the Washington Monument.

A sophomore at Immaculata Junior College, Ann is one of four children and lives with her mother, Mrs. Mary Wilroy, in Takoma Park, Md.

"Many activities are spur-of-the moment and I have to be ready at any time. Sometimes I get only four five hours sleep at night."

The night before last was one of those, which explained a quiet yawn and a desire for a nap.

4th TO BRING SUPER DISPLAY

The largest display of rockets, aerial bombs and firecrackers ever presented in a Washington Fourth of July program, will explode in the sky Monday during the annual ceremony on the Washington Monument grounds.

Prior to the fireworks show, which will begin when it gets dark about 9 p.m., there will be a flag-raising ceremony; an address by George V. Allen, United States Information Agency chief, and music by the Air Force Band and the Singing Sergeants.