

FOREST PARK---PIMLICO SECTION

# Reverend J. M. Rogers Writes On Christmas In A Blacked-Out World

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Dr. Charles Beard, eminent historian, summed up the lessons of history in four brief sentences. The last one of those sentences is especially interesting in a blacked-out world.

"When it is dark enough you can see the stars."

Many people who are nominally Christian will be able to see the meaning of the Star of Bethlehem this Christmas because it is dark enough to see it. They will understand something of its symbolism and deeper meaning.

Just at a time when human life was marked down to a very low figure on the counter of the Roman Empire a star appeared which heralded the birth of One who was to set eternal value upon every human soul. Every child born thereafter, whether boy or girl, was to be "impearled" in the light of that star.

**Freedom Is Foundation**

The belief in the sacredness of every person as a child of God has brought into existence the institutions of human freedom; has been the basic foundation for the creation of the ways of democratic government.

Today that belief is in deadly conflict with the belief in the individual as a vassal of the state. The universal conflict has produced a darkness in which even the nominal Christian should be able to see the significance of the Star of Bethlehem.

Then, too, that star symbolizes the permanence of those eternal values and principles for which Christ lived and died, for which His devotees have lived and died during the centuries, for which His modern disciples are now living and for which many of them are dying.

"Hitch your wagon to a star."  
Yes, hitch your wagon to the Star of Bethlehem and—TAKE COURAGE.

## Library Accepting Volunteers For Civilian Defense

Volunteers for civilian defense in any of the fifteen services listed will from now on be accepted and enrolled at the Enoch Pratt Free Library and any of its twenty-seven branches. Applications will no longer be received at the public schools.

Enlistments will be accepted from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. daily at the Main Library Building on Cathedral St., and from 1 P. M. to 9 P. M. daily at the branch libraries.

The enrollment of volunteers will continue indefinitely. The quota of 150,000 for Baltimore set by the Committee on Civilian Defense is far short of its mark, says J. A. Havin, head of the sub-committee on enrollment.

Registration at the libraries will be conducted by the library staffs aided by volunteer Red Cross workers.

There are people needed for—Air Raid Warden (men and women), Auxiliary Firemen (men), Auxiliary Police (men and women), Fire Watchers (men and women), Nurses' Aides (trained women), Emergency Medical Forces (men and women with Red Cross First Aid Certificates), Rescue Squads (men), Road Repair Units (strong, husky men), Demolition and Clearance Squads (strong, husky men), Electrical Repair Units (trained electricians), Also Decontamination Squads (strong men and women), Emergency Food and Housing Units (women who can cook and serve).

## BALTIMOREAN WORLD - FAMOUS SCULPTOR

### Louis Rosenthal Sought After By Thousands

Baltimoreans are indeed fortunate in having in their city a man, who by the very nature of his extraordinary work, has made the name of Baltimore famous throughout the world.

As a miniature sculptor, Louis Rosenthal is a genius; his reputation, in the opinion of many, is comparable to that of Cellini. He has compressed more achievement into the comparatively short time his art has become known than any three men in the same field. Foreign rulers, ambassadors, brother sculptors, famous artists, all praise his delicate skill.

Visitors from afar make it their business to "see Rosenthal." Often he is called direct from the railroad station for appointments to see his studio.

**Modest and Approachable**

Yet, with all the homage heaped upon him by critics and art patrons, he remains modest, friendly and as approachable as if he had not attained his high pinnacle of success.

Entering his studio on North Charles Street, we saw a short, stocky man whose ruddy color and vivid blue eyes stamp him the picture of health. He is nearing 50 perhaps, but his ready smile, quick wit and charming cordiality give him a younger appearance.

We stood before a cabinet containing some of his works. Picking up an exquisite sample, we marveled at the dexterity, the mastery his fingers possess. We watched his hands; they are large, solid, with square-tipped fingers like those of a fine surgeon. But one can guess the strength, the gentleness that lie within them.

One is amazed at the intrinsic beauty, the power, the scope of his minute masterpieces. The artist works without the aid of a microscope. Instead of moist clay, however, he uses black wax for his building material.

With one simple tool, a pearl-handled knife, he fashions his figurines. His is the skill of a virtuoso, the size of his compositions ranging from five-eighths of an inch to perhaps a full two to three inches.

At first the delicate operation of translating his wax models into metal presented a difficult problem, but after almost four years of experimental work he finally devised a process of hollow-casting. This highly successful method is his own secret.

Mr. Rosenthal began carving on

**Successful Party**

The Ladies' Sodality of All Saints' Church, 4406 Liberty Heights Ave., held a card party on December 9 at which \$918 was raised. This is a weekly affair, given for the benefit of church and school, but it is the first time such a large amount was taken in. After the Christmas holidays this busy women's group will continue its weekly games.

**News of Forest Park**

will be accepted up until Tuesday of each week at 5 P. M. at the Garrison Music Center, 3307 Garrison Blvd.

The Suburban-Times will consider for publication all community, church, school and personal news. Please note your name and address so that additional information can be obtained if needed.



LOUIS ROSENTHAL

the barks of trees when he was 9, living in his native village of Plungyan, Lithuania. When he was 18 he was invited to study with Professor Lillien, of Berlin, but when his family set sail for the New World, he broke his ties with Berlin and went with them to America.

**Awarded Scholarship**

His American career began in 1907 when he submitted two sculptural groups carved in plaster to Mr. Ephraim Keyser, head of the Rinehart School of Sculpture. He was immediately awarded a four-year scholarship in sculpture in addition to one in drawing.

Graduating from school with high honors, he opened a studio, but gave this up when the World War broke out. He endured many hardships before he gained his stride in his chosen work. He accepted any kind of work to earn a living.

He learned anatomy through working with medical students, studying and absorbing everything he could. His range of knowledge, therefore, embraces many fields; science, art, history. He even invaded the field of music, for he is in addition an accomplished violinist.

**Honored by Society**

In 1922, following a visit to the United States of the late Alyn Williams, president of the Royal Society of Miniature Painters, Sculptors and Gravers of England, he was elected to membership in

this society, the highest honor which can be paid an artist.

He has exhibited in galleries all over the world and has had two miniatures accepted for the permanent collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art of New York.

In 1928 the Russell Sage Foundation of New York, taking movies of modern men of genius for the benefit of future generations, sent photographers to Baltimore to include Mr. Rosenthal. He was the only Baltimorean to be thus honored.

Mr. Rosenthal's subjects are varied, he has delved into mythology, legend, tradition and history for his inspiration.

**Miniatures Are Pure**

In the world of art Louis Rosenthal stands for an astounding accomplishment, the purest in miniature sculpture. He is truly one of the most famous the world has ever known.

Mr. Rosenthal is married, has three children and makes his home in Forest Park, on Boardman Avenue.

He is deeply interested in the cause of infantile paralysis and often visits the hospitals to observe these unfortunates, but he says he is so affected by their broken bodies that he cannot remain long in their presence.

This great kindness of heart manifests itself in his figures, for his sympathetic portrayal of childhood is infinitely touching. N. R.

### Santa Claus Visits Baltimore Suburbs

**Lunch in Forest Park**

It was noon. Time to eat. And Santa and his wife are accustomed to eating. The couple were invited to lunch at the home of the editor of "The Suburban Times."

The editor's wife, ready for any emergency and used to anything in the newspaper business, got busy, made some sandwiches and coffee and opened the cake box for her unusual guests. Then after hearing some phonograph records they left for their next flying visit—to Pimlico.

Their means of travel was not the traditional reindeer sled pulled by Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen, but a Ford with an eight-cylinder motor and five gallons of gas. In a streamlined age even old Santa's conveyance is streamlined.

**A Pimlico Sensation**

In Pimlico the pair created a minor sensation. Children trailed them from corner to corner. Large groups of children sneaked up and crowded around the strange couple from the North Pole.

Many of the children had brothers and sisters at home who wanted the candy sticks. Santa was a little skeptical, but Mrs. Santa, with a woman's generous heart, gave indiscriminately—no questions asked.

**Off to Waverly**

A visit to Waverly was next on the schedule. Santa and his wife sure made a hit in this neighborhood.

The candy sticks disappeared rapidly, and soon many children were seen sucking the peppermint and walking down the avenue.

Bundled in the "Flying Ford," the pair were whisked away toward the lively little section of Hamilton. They were much impressed with the beautiful homes in the area and said this was the first time they had been out in the Hamilton community.

**Even Stop Traffic**

At the intersection of Harford Road and Hamilton Avenue the couple stopped traffic. Autos pulled up alongside the curb and kids in the cars yelled, "There's Santa."

Adults driving their machines nearly collided with others, so eager were they to see what all the commotion was about.

Santa and his wife have come to Hamilton! This was the cry that spread rapidly through the community.

Again children appeared from nowhere and hovered around the North Pole residents. Several hundred sticks of candy vanished as quickly as Santa could say, "Mrs. Santa Claus."

**Supper in Hamilton**

Mr. and Mrs. St. Nick had supper in Hamilton and remained until after 8 o'clock to greet the residents there.

And off they went to visit other folk. There's little time to spare just before Christmas Day. But be good for Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be back next year.

## Good Health Now, More Than Ever

Since the value of good health has been definitely stressed as a vital part in our defense program, we thought it timely to approach representative professional men in our community on various health subjects.

This week, we present Dr. Murray M. Mimeles, D.D.S., who has consented to open this series with a talk on Dental Care.

**The Importance of Dental Care to National Health and War Effort.**

The recent examinations of our young men for army service, reveal that the largest majority of rejections were due to dental neglect. Good teeth and good health are correlated, and we cannot have one without the other.

The large number of "dental cripples", which the examining boards discovered among boys who should be in the prime of health, proves that the average person does not give enough thought to his teeth.

There are only a few simple rules for the average person to follow in order to play safe, "den-

tally speaking."

1. Periodic examination of the teeth. Do not wait until your tooth aches before you see your dentist, for then it may be too late to save it. Have your teeth examined regularly, at least twice a year.
2. X-Ray all doubtful teeth. The X-Ray picture shows up cavities that many times are hidden from view, and also infections of which one may not be aware.
3. Home Care—Mouth Hygiene . . . Brush your teeth regularly at least twice a day. Ask your dentist to instruct you in the correct method of brushing teeth and massaging gums.

Our government has seen to it that the soldiers receive the best of medical and dental care. The "home front", however, is important too. Now that "all out" war has been declared, let us see to it that "man hours" of vital work are not lost due to sickness and neglect, and that the health of the entire populace is kept above par.

Murray M. Mimeles, D.D.S.

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