

# THE OFFICE CAT

"A Little Nonsense Now and Then, Is Relished by the Wisest Men."

THE OFFICE CAT  
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Gum Stump, R. D. 1.

Bellefonte-on-Spring Creek  
March 15, 1951

Dear Abe,  
It is awful the things that are being pulled off in Centre County that never reach the ears of the authorities. For instance, just the other day the early morning silence of Mingo was pierced by a heart-rending shriek! Then all was still, save for a steady sobbing which seemed to tear at our very heart-strings. A still, white form lay on the ground. Towering over it was the awful creature who was responsible for the whole thing. Another cry rent the air: "Mr. Hockman! Henrietta's laid her morning egg!"

The other evening I appeared on a WMAJ Quiz Program up at State

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## EXECUTORS' SALE

The undersigned will expose to public sale the premises hereafter set forth pursuant to directions in the will of Robert A. Kerstetter, late of State College, Centre County, Pennsylvania, deceased, which sale will be held on the premises,

**Saturday, April 21, 1951**

2:00 O'CLOCK P. M., E.S.T.

### REAL ESTATE

Such premises consist of a two and a half story frame house containing seven rooms and bath and two-car garage and central heating, lying north of the Methodist parsonage on Highway Route No. 45 in the Village of Pleasant Gap, Spring Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, having a sixty-six foot frontage and extending westwardly from said State Highway a distance of one hundred eighty feet.

Also one good level building lot to the rear of above premises being sixty-six feet in width and one hundred fifty feet in depth.

TERMS OF SALE: Twenty-five (25%) percent at the time the property is declared sold and the balance on execution and delivery of deed therefor not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Possession of the first of the premises above described being subject to rights of present tenants.

**Clarence I. Kerstetter**  
208 Corl St., State College, Pa.  
**Alma Irene Kerstetter**  
124 N. Gill St., State College, Pa.

**E. M. (Jack) SMITH, Auctioneer**  
**M. W. GETTIG, Attorney for Estate**

## Public Sale

The undersigned will offer at public sale at the home of the late George S. Fisher, Nittany, Pa., first house west of the Nittany Inn on Route 64, on

**Saturday, April 7th**

Beginning at 12:30 p. m., the following personal property:

### HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Red Star 5-burner oil range; hot plate; Hotpoint electric range; Wherle kitchen range; large heatrola, like new; Dexter electric washer; 12-foot extension table with 6 matching chairs; Victrola with records; two 9 x 12 rugs; lots of carpet; radio; 4 beds; 2 bureaux; dining room suite with 6 chairs; kitchen cabinets; large buffet with plate glass mirror; couch; rocking chairs; stands; picture frames; Hoover electric cleaner; 2 hand sweepers; electric kitchen clock; other clocks; dishes; cooking utensils; new glass jars; window screens and doors; garden tools; lawn mower; corn sheller; porch swing; Singer sewing machine; Singer sewing machine for leather; bedding; 410 shotgun; 1935 Pontiac coupe.

### ANTIQUES:

Butter crock; coffee grinder; irons; drop-leaf cherry table; 6 plank bottom kitchen chairs; oil lamps; cord bed; high chair; commode chair; wash stands; dishes; dough tray; stereopticon slide with pictures.

### TOOLS:

Complete line of carpenter tools; 8-inch portable electric saw; 1/2-inch electric drill; three 1/4 h. p. motors; 3 sets of block and tackle; 3 heavy screw jacks; 30-foot extension ladder; 2 drag cords; wheelbarrow; grindstone; wood saw and frame; paper hanging tools, and many other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS: CASH.

**Mrs. Margaret Dorman**  
**Mrs. Ruth Beardslee, adm.**

**ROY OYLER, Auctioneer**

College and that Mickey Bergstein was asking the questions, and when he got to that \$64.00 question—WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A BOTTLE OF WHISKEY AND A BOTTLE OF CASTOR OIL?—my mind went blank. Well, the answer was—one's a TALKIE and the other's a MOVIE.

Whenever I think of golf I am reminded of a certain ardent Nittany Country Club golfer from Bellefonte who was sentenced to be hanged. We might incidentally mention that so far as we know his playing golf was not the cause of his punishment. But be that as it may, on the day set apart for his execution he was placed between a couple of Sheriff Kaufman's deputies and led from his cell into the prison yard. Here he was made to mount the scaffold; then he was placed on the trap. At this moment Sheriff Kaufman stepped up to him and asked: "Is there any last request you want to make?" "Yes," replied the Nittany golfer, "may I take a few practice swings?"

I was up to Cohen's Dress Shop the other day and Mr. Cohen put this to me. Said Cohen to the Office Cat, "if you killed me it would be HOMICIDE and if you killed yourself it would be SUICIDE, but if I killed myself would it be COHEN-CIDE?"

As I understand the figures quoted by President Truman in his latest message to Congress, the country today is enjoying the old "roaring twenties" prosperity with 15 or 20 per cent off for cash.

While in the mood I'll tell another, but for heaven's sake don't ask me from which Bellefonte school room it emanated. It seems that on this particular afternoon last week the children were indulging in speeches and recitations. Office Cat Jr. got up and began in this fashion:

"There was an old man from Boston, Mass., Who stood in water up to his ankles."

"Why, Office Cat Jr.," interrupted the teacher, "that doesn't rhyme." "Not yet," replied Junior, "but it will when the tide comes in."

Some of these Bellefonte doctors have asserted to me that every kiss shortens life three minutes, but I know a few Bellefonte girls who have a couple days to spare.

Now Abe, what's all this apple sauce about the unemployed selling apples on city street corners? There is nothing new about that. You know, even Eve didn't have a job until Adam ate one.

I got a folder the other day from the Winchester, Virginia, Chamber of Commerce. It said on it that Winchester has the largest distillery in the world. Now you know why Sheridan rode so damn hard.

I was eating down at Hoag's the other noon time when Bill Moerschbacher came over and asked me if I knew what the lowest thing in the world was. I didn't. Bill said it is a "ring" around a Scotchman's bathtub when the water is on a meter.

The Bellefonte High School had their "College Night" last Tuesday eve, Abe, and in an address to the student body Principal Ken Miller discussed the need of realizing the other fellow's point of view. He said it was something like the Penn's Valley story of the old lady who was about to die. She sent for Sara Jane, her niece, and said, "Sara Jane, I am going to die, and I don't want anyone to be fooling about it. When you come to lay me out I want to be laid out in my black silk dress; but take out the back panel and make yourself a dress from it." Sara Jane said: "Oh, Aunt Mary, I don't want to do that. When you and Uncle Horace walk up those Golden Stairs, I don't want people to see you without any back in your dress." "They won't look at me," the old lady replied, "the Kuhlman brothers buried your Uncle Horace without his pants."

Abe, how you ever had an embarrassing moment? If you've had one send it in to the management here and win yourself ONE DOLLAR in the Centre Democrat's "Embarrassing Moment" contest. Why just this past week the "Boss" received the following epistle for the contest:

Dear Sir,  
I work on an early night shift at the Wingate Rendering Works. I got home an hour early last night, and there I found another man in a compromising position with my wife. I was very much embarrassed. Please send me TWO DOLLARS, as my wife was also embarrassed.

Yours truly,  
H..... M.....

The "Boss", so I am told sent a check for THREE DOLLARS, admitting the possibility that the stranger, too, might have been embarrassed.

Your friend,  
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That's all, folks. No man ever becomes a Communist until he has given up all hope of becoming a Capitalist. —SCAT—

## UNIONVILLE

Methodist Church Services: Sunday School at the regular hour. The regular worship service in at 7 p.m. The Youth Fellowship at 8 p.m. The regular monthly business meeting of the directors of the Unionville Cemetery Association, Oak Ridge, will be held Monday, Apr. 2, in the school house at 7:30 p.m. A full attendance is desired. Mrs. Grace Stere and Miss Char-

lotte spent the Easter weekend with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Stevenson, of Altoona, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Alice Reish, student nurse in the Philipsburg Hospital, spent Easter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell Reish of this place. Mrs. Hannah Way and Miriam returned home last week from a few weeks' visit with friends in Port Matilda.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Russell Holt and his mother, Mrs. Orrie Holt, spent Easter with relatives of the former, in Tyrone.

Miss Ruth Behers, of State College, visited over the Easter weekend with her friend, Miss Florence Finch and her father, J. Herbert Finch.

Some persons from here attended the open house Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rebbers Alexander, of Julian, in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. We wish to extend our congratulations too, and may you enjoy many more years together.

The schools of the borough were closed Good Friday and pupils of the Bellefonte High School had Monday off too, which made them a nice vacation from their work. Grammar school of the borough was closed Monday on account of their teacher, J. Russell Reish, being ill. Mrs. Edward Hall was on the sick list for some time and her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Williams, of Port Matilda, was here for a few days assisting with the work. Her neighbors and friends here are all glad to know she is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Zahniser attended the "Capping" of their daughter, Susanne, who is a student nurse in the Presbyterian Hospital at Pittsburgh. The exercises were held Monday evening.

Mrs. Mittie Reish attended the business in the post office while Mr. and Mrs. Zahniser were in Pittsburgh the fore part of the week.

Mrs. Glenn Peters, of New Orleans, La., has been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harold Fisher for the past few weeks. She returned the early part of this week, stopping off at Washington, D.C., for a short visit with her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher.

John Robinson who is employed by the PRR has been home ill for the past week with near pneumonia. He was somewhat better and was about, but took worse again and was returned to his bed. His many friends and neighbors hope his complete recovery may be speedy. His wife, who had been with her son, Basil, and family at Oil City, was called home and arrived Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Williams and Barbara visited with friends in the vicinity of Pittsburgh over Easter weekend.

## BOALSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Homan, after spending four months at Palm City, Fla., returned to their home Friday afternoon.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Homan during the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shuffler, Kitty Lou and Ann, of Boalsburg; Mr. and Mrs. George Horner and children, of Houserville; Mr. and Mrs. George Homan and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Homan and Marylin, of Centre Hall RD.; Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Homan and Claude, State College, and Mr. and Mrs. David Homan and children, of Oak Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Rimmer and son Shannon, of Centre Hall, visited Mr. and Mrs. Claude Witmer, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Witmer visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Grove at Lemont, Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hess, and Mr. Fred Lomberger visited Dr. and Mrs. David Allman and children at Stamford, Conn., from Thursday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Yearick, of Altoona, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rishel and daughter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Makepeace, of State College, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Houtz, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Oran Houtz, of State College, were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Houtz Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Ella Gingrich spent Easter Day with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Smelser and son at Bellefonte RD.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kellerman and Miss Joann Lockhart and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kellerman spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. William Lockhart at Vandergrift.

Visitors at the Markle-Baylerts home during the weekend were Mrs. Stella Davidson and Mr. and Mrs. Geraldine, Dick and Mike of Wingate; Mickey Heaton, of Cresson; Mr. and Mrs. Jared Grove and Janie, of Lemont; Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Klingler and children, of State College RD. and Mrs. Harry Schilling, of Boalsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shearer, of Washington, D.C., spent the Easter season with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Diehl and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Reese and Tommy spent Easter Day with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. K. L. Sones at Muncy.

Visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mothersbaugh and children on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Harold, Mr. and Mrs. Jared Grove and Janie, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Grove and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Thomas and Anita, of Lemont.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Robinson and Eddie spent Easter with their parents in Altoona.

Visitors with Mrs. Mildred B. Smith and father over the Easter season were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Peck and Charles, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Glenn, Robert and Joseph, of Baltimore.

Pvt. Leslie E. Kline of Camp Pickett, Va., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Kline. Other visitors at the same home during the weekend were Mrs. Russell Kline, Alice and Faith, of Bellefonte RD. and James Haupt, of Bellefonte.

Jerry Rishel, a student at Kutztown Normal, spent his Easter vacation with his father, Gerald Rishel, and sons.

Gilbert Waite, Lois Ann and Gladys, and Richard Swank were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clair Blazynski at Port Matilda on Easter Day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Morrison, of Williamsburg, spent Easter Day with Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Bloom and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grenoble spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jared Ripka at Spring Mills RD. Mrs. Walter Neuman is visiting



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## Pine Grove Mills

Movings.—The J. C. Packard family resigned its position on the Miller sisters farm. His successor is the M. J. Klingler family from Mill County. Eugene M. Irvin from the Kessler farm, to his new modern home in State College. The Tice family from the Mike Shoemaker farm, to the Glenn farm. Walter Garner from the Glenn farm to his own farm in Huntingdon County. Gene Martin from State College, to the Metzger farm house. William Parsons from his town home to the Campbell farm on White Hall. Robert Colpetzer from the Campbell farm, to the Oscar Gilliland farm at Graysville. Ernest Colpetzer and bride to the Dunkle farm at Fairbrook. Russell Wilson from the Gilliland farm to his own farm in Huntingdon County. James Corl from the Dodd apartment, to State College. The Wilbur Diehl family to its new modern home on E. Main Street. Robert Hockenberry to the Fry house on W. Main Street. Charles Dreibelman from Ferguson township, to Shiloh. Earl Homan, Ronald Taylor and Clear Dean will occupy their new modern homes by late spring.

The Baileyville Grange degree team will confer first and second degrees at Walker Grange at 8 p.m. Apr. 12. They will also compete for blue ribbon awards at the annual State convention in October.

The Westminster Fellowship of Graysville Presbyterian Church is sponsoring a roller skating party at the Coliseum roller rink at 8 p.m. Apr. 2. The public is invited. Lt. William E. Fry, wife and daughter, of Norfolk, Va., were pleasant Easter visitors with the Fry clan in Centre County. Lt. Fry is on the Carrier Leyte and for the past two years has been in Korea and Japan. He has been in the U. S. Navy for 28 years. Eugene Barto and wife visited his grandfather, John H. Barto, Sunday.

Next meeting will be at 7 p.m. Monday, Apr. 16, at the Lutheran Church. George Gearhart is the leader. Present were Miss Maude Williams, Mrs. Raup, Mrs. R. Cannon, Tommy Cannon, Wayne Cole, Shirley Homan, Dee Dee Jurey, Louise Mothersbaugh, Harriet and Henrietta Reish, Becky and Glenn Smith, Janice Sweet, Larry Sharer, Harry Trauger and Ann Wheeler. There were four visitors, Barbara Trauger, Glenn Raup, and Norman and Kay Bickle.

The Daughters of the Ruth Class of the Lutheran Church met at the church Wednesday evening. Barbara Keller, president, presided at the business meeting. Faye Spotts and Gladys Waite were in charge of entertainment. Games were played and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be at 8 p.m. Apr. 11, at the home of Betty Musser. The entertainment committee for the meeting is Geraldine Hohenberry, Virginia Neff and Betty Musser. Present were Mrs. W. H. Neff, the assistant teacher, and Gail and Jan Callahan, Geraldine Hohenberry, Esther Mackereth, Barbara Keller, Shirley Perryman, Gladys Waite, Patay Walker, Faye Spotts, Betty Musser, Lucretia Homan, Frances Harpster, Virginia Neff, Joann Beagle, Louise Schel-

## Man Charged In Auto Collision

A truck operated by Donald H. Confer, Howard, and a car driven by Mrs. John R. Miller, Jr., Millheim, collided on Benner Pike, south of Bellefonte, at 10:15 a. m. Friday. No one was injured.

State Police of the Rockview substation said that the truck, owned by Herbert R. Imbi, State College, backed onto the highway in the path of the Miller car.

They said that Confer was committed to the Centre county jail and will be charged with drunken driving.

Damage to the car was about \$75 and loss to the truck about \$10.

The reason men in public office play politics is that voters expect them to play politics.

day in the Centre County Hospital.

Hugh C. Dale will resume operations at the well-known Dale home- stead farm on the Branch, Apr. 1.

Paul Parsons is planning a new modern home to be built this summer on Church Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Way, of Zion, are proud parents of a fine baby girl, Lois Ruth. Mrs. Way is the former Miss Ruth Grubb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer A. Grubb. She is the second daughter.

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