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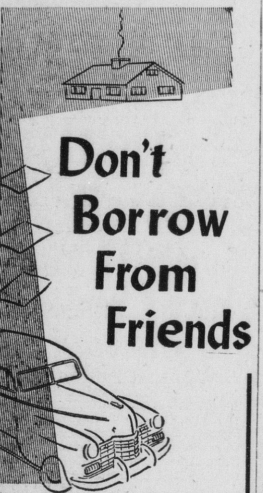
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EDITORIAL VIEWS AND COMMENT

When these lines reach your eye, dear reader, the editor will be in the State of Texas. On Tuesday of this week, the writer, his wife, and his sister-in-law, Miss Fannie Wetzel, of Carrolltown, left for Fort Worth, Texas...

which the writer is included, will fly by American Airlines planes from San Antonio, to Mexico City on April 18th, and will be treated to a reception by the Mexican government...

Topping the annual vacation trip of the nation's editors will be another week of travel in a foreign country, this year. Approximately 350 of the group, of



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living conditions of the mine worker and suggestion that the publishers send in for these illustrations and they will be sent them gratis, for publication. The newspapers that are published here in the actual coal mining fields of Pennsylvania, these pictures would create quite a laugh—or maybe they would far and feather us for printing them. Either procedure would be justified. Propaganda is a great thing and there are lots of country editors who fall for things they really have no sound understanding of.

Pictures of fine homes, of fine community centers, swimming pools and parks, and finer schools, may exist in some of the mining camps and communities, but they certainly are the exception and not the rule. If we were to take a picture of a few of the finest homes in Patton, and then tell the world that all the houses in Patton are representative of the pictures—we would have the same kind of propaganda for Patton as the Coal Mining Institute seeks to put across for all mining communities. The sorry part of the story is that in those sections of the nation where there isn't any coal mining, they get away with it.

Labor must be politically wise, if they are to long benefit by the laws they have so long fought for and attained. Just last week, for instance, the Republican dominated Pennsylvania House of Representatives passed a bill extending the work week hours for women. A turn-back by the Republican legislators were afraid of the reaction back home and opposed it—but they were very few. In the National Congress we have men whose every aim seems to be to take a crack at labor. They come from both parties.

Out in Illinois where the latest tragic underground disaster happened, the Chicago Tribune's Governor, Dwight H. Green was pulling all the stops to defeat Kennedy, the democratic candidate for Mayor of Chicago, and campaign collections were allegedly made from officials of the state government, to help swell the "kitty." However, Kennedy was elected mayor by landslide proportions, a turn-back upheaval of the voters from last fall, that has cost a spell of deep gloom within the G. O. P. at Washington, and elsewhere.

It hardly makes much difference to a miner whether his elected officials are Republicans or Democrats—a mixture of both—but it makes a whole of a difference what the attitude of the elected official may be in the enforcement of safety regulations.

They're holding an open hearing down at the State Capitol in Harrisburg on Wednesday of this week on tax measures pending in the legislature, including the 20 per cent tax on soft drinks which our hastily-minded Republican House has-

In all fairness to everyone who digs coal, the issue of politics, regardless of which party is to blame, or if both political parties are to blame—reeks with the very stink of the most unparliamentary attitude on the part of any fellow-Americans. All indications point to the fact that the Centralia mine was recommended for safety-alterations time and again since December 13, 1945, by an honest Illinois State Mine Inspector, and the superiors over him DID NOT enforce the recommendations.

If the federal government's administration of the coal mine safety codes has been lax, there is not argument to be made in their behalf. Safety of the men in hazardous occupations comes before politics—or it should. If it does not, well, it's certainly about time that the men who are endangered take a determined stand, themselves, simply for their own protection, and in order that their wives are not made widows, and their children orphans.

The Press-Courier receives a weekly trade journal of the newspaper fraternity, and an advertisement contained therein, sponsored by the Bituminous Coal Institute, contains pictures of the excellent homes and fine

majority so blithely passed a couple of weeks ago. Of all the taxes we know of imposition this is one of the most deplorable. The soft drink industry and the small storekeepers are against it, and rightly so. The tax cuts their margin of profit to the point where it would be unprofitable to manufacture it, or to sell it. Of course, they could do the only thing left them—boost the price of the pop to meet the tax and let the kiddies, who are principal soft drink consumers pay the difference. The result of this tax, if it passes the Senate, and becomes law, would be to put a large number of small industries out of business in this state, the same as a like law has done in South Carolina, where a law now exists, and as it did in Kentucky which recently repealed that law.

Carrolltown

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Drury of Pittsburgh were guests of the Easter holiday of Attorney and Mrs. Fred J. Fees and other local relatives.

George Ball, former local resident now of Pittsburgh, was a guest of relatives here and at Colver several days during the past week.

Mildred Myers of Washington, D. C., spent Easter with her mother, Mrs. Ann Myers.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Arble, and daughter, of State College, visited Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Rose Arble, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Volk recently were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Born in Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. William Zadal, of Norfolk, Va., Miss Helen Zadal of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. McGuire of Pittsburgh, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zadal.

Mr. Thomas Haley and son, Eddie, of York, Pa., and Maurice Campbell and daughter, Rose, of Washington, Pa., were visitors over Easter with Mrs. Haley's and Mr. Campbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Campbell.

Cyril Kanik is visiting his sister, Mrs. Ted Kawish, in Portsmouth, Va., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Buck and baby, Ray, of Pittsburgh, and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ite, of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end holiday at the home of the parents of Mr. Buck and Mrs. Ite, Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Buck of St. Mary's Street.

Sgt. Cyril Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gray of this place, who had been stationed in California, has been transferred to Keesler Field, Miss., where he has en-



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tered a school for study in aviation mechanics. Guests of Mr. Elmer Luther over the week end were his son, Joseph Luther, of Baltimore, Md., and his brother-in-law, Ed Weakland, of New Jersey.

Home from St. Vincents College at Latrobe, Pa., for the Easter vacation vacation Eugene Feigh, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Feigh, Alfred Strittmatter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Strittmatter, and Dale Beaser, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Beaser.

In observance of Vincent Eckert's birthday Tuesday, his wife tendered a little dinner party in his honor, Mrs. M. J. Farabaugh, and daughters, Martha and Mary Lee, being guests.

Miss Lois Randall, of Washington, D. C., was home over the last week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Randall of Bradley Junction.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bender at the Spangler Hospital on April 4—an eight and one-half pound baby son.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Owens, Jr., and daughter, Carol, were in Lewisburg with relatives on Sunday. Accompanying them were Mrs. Elizabeth Gagahan and daughter, Theresa, Mrs. Owens' sister, who shared several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Lieb.

Sgt. George Donch, Jr., of Washington, D. C., and Miss Patty Donch, of Stamford, Conn., were over-Easter visitors at the home of their mother, Mrs. Michael Donch.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kanik at the Miners' Hospital, Spangler, last Thursday—a daughter, Mrs. Kanik is the former Miss Ann Kline of Hastings.

Mrs. Patrick Stevens and infant daughter, who had been visiting for the past couple of weeks with Mrs. Stevens' mother, Mrs. Agnes Weber, returned to their home in Toledo, Ohio, last Saturday.

Mrs. Anna Hovan has returned home from a Pittsburgh Hospital where she had been a patient for some time. Her mother, Mrs. Hovan, is pleased to know that she is much improved in health.

John Stich, son of Mr. Boniface Stich of this place, who had been located in St. Louis, has been transferred by his firm to Kansas City, Mo.

Leo Zureko, son of Mike Zureko, will leave this week for the Deshon Veterans' Hospital at Butler, for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. William Flynn of Johnston spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Buck and Boniface Stich.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Piercy of Clearfield, spent the week-end at Carrolltown and Ebensburg with relatives. Mr. Piercy, a state forester, has resigned his position effective the middle of this month, and has accepted a position with the Bender Electric Co. The family will live in Ebensburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Smith and son, Tommy, spent Easter at Port Erie, Canada, where they visited Mr. Smith's sister, Mrs. Lee.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. John Baker and son, or Beador, were visitors Sunday at the Donahue and McNelis home here. Mrs. Mary McNelis of Patton, also spent several days here during the week with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don McNelis.

James Smith of Punxsutawney was a visitor at the Bob Smith home over Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Custer and family of Waynesburg were week end visitors at the home of the lady's mother, Mrs. Malin Stich Thomas. Mr. and Mrs. Custer and Mrs. Thomas and Miss Leora Stich visited in Windber and Johnston on Saturday. Mrs. Thomas returned to Waynesburg with her guests and will spend the next three weeks there.

Miss Cecelia Pawalski spent the Easter vacation here with her mother. She is employed in Cleveland, Ohio.

Fic. Paul McCumbe, of Westover Field, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van McCumbe.

Miss Jeannie Burkey, who had spent the past several weeks at the Maucher home, has returned to her home in Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCumbe of Baltimore, Md., were guests of Mr. McCumbe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Van McCumbe, over the week end. Mr. Van McCumbe returned with them to Baltimore, where he will visit for a week.

Among the out-of-town folks attending the funeral of the late Dr. Joseph V. Maucher last week were: Mrs. Emilia Reig and daughters, Mary and Helen of Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. E. Freepert; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Buck of Erie; Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Maucher and daughters, of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Maucher, Jr. of Loretto; Miss Anna Maucher, Johnston; and Mrs. F. J. Heck, Natrona; John Burkey and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Burkey, of Johnston; Mrs. Regina Sloan, Dr. H. Sloan and Mrs. Mary McAuliffe, of

Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Huns, Ebensburg; Bob McAuliffe, Butler; Magr. L. M. Maucher and sister, Mary, Johnston; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mison, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Walters, Pittsburgh; Rosemary Wirtz, Mr. and Mrs. Pige Beaman and Mrs. Rosemary Resigno, of Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. William Heg, of Dulbis; Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Lantz, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Lantz of Garmin; Rev. Father McCarthy, Natrona; Rev. Father McGee, Bedford; Rev. Father Regis Mc Coy, Lawrence; Rev. Father Paul Veigel, Johnstown; Rev. Father Paul Thomas, Ebensburg; Rev. Father William Wilkink, Johnstown; Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Miltenberger, Johnstown; Mrs. Cloyd Gates, Mrs. Rose Gates, The James Fleming family, Mr. James Disilvano, Mrs. Scott Disilvano, Mrs. John Barbour, Miss Frances Wagner, Dr. Arthur Stull, Mr. Adam Green, Miss Clara Stehr, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus W. Davis, Dr. G. H. Sloan, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Seymour, Mrs. Irene Menz, Mr. and Mrs. William Lloyd, and Mr. and Mrs. James Sharbaugh, all of Johnstown; Mrs. Nan Davis, Mrs. Leo Kimball, Miss Lou Shunkewider, Mr. Frank Dorr, Mr. Patterson, Mrs. John Thomas, and Dr. Joseph Anderson, all of Ebensburg; Miss Grace Cooper, Loretto; Miss Marie Kane, Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Custer, Patton; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cusher, Ebensburg; Dr. S. A. Yeequel, Ebensburg; Dr. W. S. Wheeling, Windber; Mrs. George Clark, Windber; Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Schroth, Clymer; Dr. E. B. McCovern, Patton; Mr. and Mrs. George Bell, Loretto; Mrs. D. J. Murphy and son, Barnesboro; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lawrence, Altoona; Mr. Victor Kline, Mr. Bert Buck and daughter, Mrs. Ed Gues and daughter, Mrs. Frances Gues and daughter, and the Rev. Father Basil Balko, all of Hastings; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rively, Patton; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rively, Patton; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith, all of Johnstown; Mr. and Mrs. Kelly and Dr. A. W. Fees of Spangler; Rev. Marshauser, Windber; P. J. Riebeck Sr. and F. J. Riebeck, Jr., of Richmond, Va.

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John, George and Mary Louise Davis, of Akron, Ohio, spent the Easter holiday here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis, Miss Anna Davis and friend of Pittsburgh, also were visitors at the Davis home.

Leroy Settemyer, a resident of this place before he served his country in the war, is back visiting among his friends and relatives. He is driving a new car specially equipped for injured service men.

The farmers in this community are busy hauling lime at this time.

The picture "The Eternal Gift" was shown in the church hall here last Sunday, to a good attendance. It was appreciated by all.

Joseph and Bernard Cretin, employed by the Goodrich Rubber Co., Akron, spent the week end with their mother and relatives here.

George E. Adams spent several days with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McAleer, Mrs. Dennis Horne and Mrs. Ferd Nagle were recent visitors in Columbus, Ohio, where they visited with their sons, Charles Horne, and Gerald Nagle, who are students at the Josephinum College.

Misses Sally Davis of Lock Haven State Teachers College, and Edwina, a teacher in Philadelphia, were at their home over the Easter vacation.

Donald Krise was a shopper in Altoona on Saturday.

Holy Week services were carried out with all the solemnities in the church here. The 10 o'clock Mass on Easter morning was a high mass and was a very beautiful and impressive ceremony. The altars were very tastefully decorated. Everything was done in order to try to give to God the honor and glory that is due Him.

Mr. and Mrs. John Long of Ebensburg were callers here recently.

Work has been started to replace the roof of the large barn on the farm of Oliver Delozier, which was blown off in the recent wind storm.

Miss Alice McGough of Pittsburgh, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McGough of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. George Richards and family of Carrolltown spent Sunday here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Johnston and daughter, Ruth, of Loretto, were callers here on Sunday.

Miss Vesta McMorrett of Tyrone, was at home for Easter. She is employed by the Bell Telephone Co.

Miss Helen Cole of Altoona was a Sunday visitor at the O'Leary home here.

Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Dietrick have arrived safely at their home in Texas after spending a week here

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