

Commissioners In Squabble Over County Cows, Chickens

Democratic Officials Making Plans to Buy Farm So Co. Can Grow All Own Foodstuffs, Feed

(From Johnstown Democrat)

A plan whereby Cambria Co. would acquire new 176-acre farm was disclosed last Thursday in a spirited meeting of the salary board at the Ebensburg Courthouse.

The proposed purchase was revealed as the minority commissioner lined up the majority members in a heated discussion over the activities of County Farmer Lloyd Felix.

At the outset the meeting threatened to reach the boiling point, but it gradually simmered down to milder disagreement.

Minority Commissioner Cyrus W. Davis wanted to know why Felix had been told to take the cows and chickens, Davis asked. Farrell and Owens didn't think it was important enough to mention. It seems Davis did not attend the meeting when Felix discussed the four cows and 75 chickens with Farrell and Owens. They hadn't even thought of it since.

Farrell explained that the cows had been purchased at a low price but were not tested as yet.

Behind the Scenes . . . In American Business

Do women really enjoy shopping around from store to store looking for just the right article at the right price?

Not really, says the Harvard Business Review in a study of the lost sales opportunities in retailing. But this national habit, which the Review says is one of our greatest luxuries, is a costly one to retail merchants. The shopper takes the time of several salespeople, uses several fitting rooms or counters, tracks street dirt into each store which must be cleaned by porter or proprietor. Thus the shopper adds to overhead. But the loss to the retailer does not stop there. For every \$100 spent by customers in the first stores visited, there is an additional \$57 they will spend if they go to a second or third store in their search for the desired merchandise. So the Review gives some advice to retail merchants: be sure your merchandise offers a wide range of choice, and be sure you make every effort to please the customer. It's the big unit sale that most often gets away. People don't shop for 25 cent items; they do shop for the article costing \$8 or more.

THE GANDY DANCERS

The men you see working with picks and shovels along the railroad tracks are called "gandy-dancers." The term is as old as railroading, though no one knows its origin. One of the jobs of the gandy-dancer is to keep the ballast between the ties in good, firm condition so that the railroad bed is smooth and solid. It takes a gang of gandy-dancers about one hour to clean and refill properly that space (known as a crib) between the ties. But now Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Co. has come up with a mechanical gandy-dancer. It is called a cribbing machine, and its performance is something remarkable. Power-operated, the machine cleans one crib every 45 seconds as compared with the hour required by the pick-and-shovel gang. The machine will mean to the railroads and to the traveling public. Miles of secondary track which in the past were serviced only when absolutely necessary, can now be maintained

GRAND CHAMPION OF EXPOSITION



ONE THOUSAND POUNDS on the hoof, this prize Aberdeen-Angus is shown after being judged the grand champion steer of the 1949 Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show in Fort Worth, Tex. The champ brought six dollars a pound. Shown (l. to r.) are: W. R. Watt, show president; Robert H. Johnson, Goldthwaite, Tex., FFA boy who owned the steer, and newspaper publisher Amon Carter, who bought it. (International)

State Dept. Issues Booklet for Planters Of Forest Trees

Written As Much for Amateur As Professional

The State Department of Forests and Waters has released another Bureau of Forests booklet for specialized distribution over Pennsylvania.

Entitled "Forest Trees to Plant in Pennsylvania," the 34-page booklet, dealing with 33 different subjects, is primarily designed for persons interested in planting of trees for reforestation of idle lands.

The Department plans to distribute the new booklet to prospective planters of trees purchased from the Bureau of Forest's nurseries.

Instructions on how to plant trees obtained from the Department for reforestation purposes is included in the booklet. It is illustrated and captioned in concise, short terms, and is written as much for amateurs as it is for professional planters.

"When William Penn first set foot on American soil, what is now the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was covered with as fine a stand of white pine and mixed hardwoods as has ever been the pleasure and privilege of man to behold," the booklet says in its "Introduction," and adds: "When lumbering was in its heyday, it was currently believed that the forest resources of the state were inexhaustible—consequently, little care was exercised in the indiscriminate cutting of trees."

"The mature forests of our forefathers have gone," says the Bureau of Forests message in the booklet's introduction, and in its place, as a result of the bounties of nature and the efforts of the State's Department of Forests and Waters, a new young forest area is being grown. . . . Scattered throughout the state are vast areas, which might, in the course of years, restock themselves. But such a procedure consumes too much valuable time.

"There is no practical way to bring this land back to practical production, and that is to replant it with forest trees. . . . All idle land not fit for important uses should be put to work growing successive crops of timber. . . ."

"By planting acres of forest trees, owners of private lands are now changing liabilities of unproductive fields into assets that bring financial returns," the Bureau added.

"During the past 25 years private land owners in Pennsylvania have planted about 190,000,000 forest trees, and results can be seen everywhere in the state.

"Each year additional landowners are starting new plantations," the booklet points out, "for an estate of idle land is almost as good as worthless, but if planted to forest trees it becomes more valuable yearly."

The Bureau published the booklet to assist prospective planters in planting forest trees.

Spangler

MRS. HILDA DEMI (Too late for last week)

Mr. Louis Macek and daughters Rita and Betty, and Mrs. Mike Smoko were in Altoona recently.

Mrs. Lisie McGaughey entertained her club last Wednesday evening. A delicious lunch was served and prizes were awarded to Mrs. Mary Wylie, Mrs. Mildred Zalusnick and Mrs. Louise Constant.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Castonis of this place were visiting at the home of the lady's mother, Mrs. L. E. Weller of Huntingdon, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Lubert and son, David, were visiting relatives in town Sunday.

Mrs. Louise Macek was hostess to a paper party last Tuesday evening at her home. The demonstrator was Mrs. Moore of Ebensburg. A delicious lunch was served and a number of friends and neighbors attended.

Mr. Albert Valpitto of Johnstown spoke to the Presbyterian Youth Fellowship at the Spangler Presbyterian Church recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Westover are the proud parents of twin girls born Feb. 10, at the Miners' Hospital. They have been named Barbara Jean and Patricia Jean. Mrs. Westover was the former Imelda Greene daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Greene.

A surprise birthday party was held in honor of Tessie Toth at her home on Friday evening. Bingo and cinch was featured and prizes were awarded. A large number of guests attended and Mrs. Toth received many nice and useful gifts.

Mr. Lester Plouse of Pittsburgh was visiting relatives here on Sunday.

Mrs. Lantzy of Turtle Creek was visiting over the week end with her mother, Mrs. Grace Kelly of this place.

Miss Margaret Kelly of Veterans' Hospital, Butler, was visiting with her mother, Mrs. Grace Kelly, over the week end.

Gallitzin Adopts 25-Mile Speed Law

Parking Laws Also To Be Strictly Enforced

A code to control traffic in Gallitzin Borough has been adopted by the borough council. The new code will become effective immediately.

The borough will erect necessary signs to inform the public of the new traffic regulations. Removal or damage of the signs is prohibited. Violators of the code are subject to a fine of not more than \$25 or 10 days in jail at option of Burgess Paul Raymond.

Principal provisions of the traffic code are a speed limit of 25 miles per hour on borough streets restricted or no parking in more than a dozen alleys and streets, and prohibiting overnight parking except by special permission of a police officer because of emergency or special condition.

One-way traffic will be in effect on Chestnut Street from Jackson to Main Street. Entrance will be at Jackson Street with exit at Main Street.

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Artificial Breeding Increases Board of Directors to Seven

The Cambria Artificial Breeding Cooperative elected three new directors at its second annual meeting at the Courthouse in Ebensburg last Thursday evening. They are L. A. Hartes Jr. and Graham Hoffman, both of Ebensburg R. D., and John Hoover of Cresson R. D.

Each will serve a three-year term. Holdovers on the board of directors are E. J. Farabaugh, Loretto R. D.; John Pryce, Ebensburg R. D.; Galen Metzger, Johnstown R. D.; and Paul Hoover of Patton R. D.

The seven man board will reorganize at its regular meeting on Friday, Mar. 4. Mr. Farabaugh now is president.

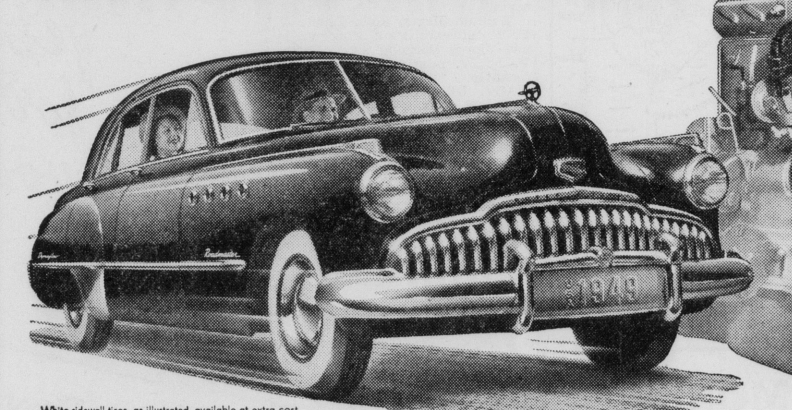
The session was marked by addresses by Francis Holsopple of Portage R. D., George Thompson of Clarion and H. Olmstead of Pennsylvania State College.

Mr. Holsopple, technician for the county unit, stated that 1,995 cows were artificially bred last year—an increase of 34 percent over the preceding year.

Mr. Thompson, manager of the Western Pennsylvania ABC at Clarion, showed motion pictures of the activities at the central cooperative.

Mr. Olmstead, dairy extension chief at Penn State, discussed recommended procedures in raising calves. Brief remarks were made by H. C. McWilliams, Co. farm agent, and E. A. Mintimer, assistant agent.

Valve-in-Head - and Fireball too!



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It seems that valve-in-head engine design is becoming quite the thing, now that gasolines are stepping up in octane rating and higher compression ratios begin to be worth while.

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For more than forty-five years, Buick engineers have been working with, developing and learning all about valve-in-head engine design.

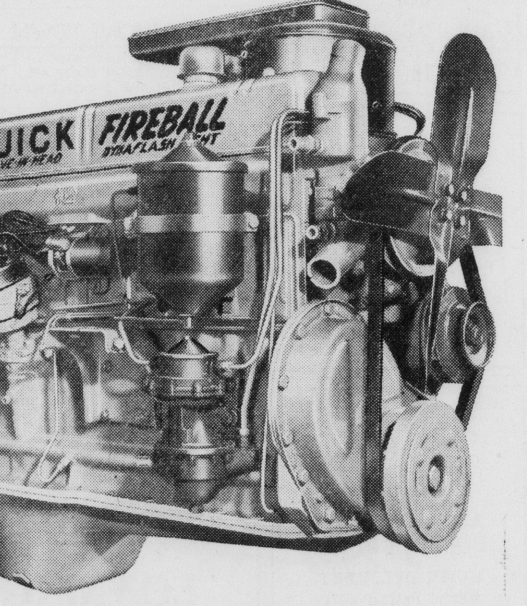
So quite some time ago Buick applied a principle, possible only in valve-in-head design, which still remains a Buick exclusive.

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