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One Can Judge Any Community

It has likely been your experience from time to time while motoring to form opinions on the progressiveness of any hamlet, village or town on its exterior appearance. If houses are unkempt and unpainted, streets and sidewalks are inferior, you naturally decide that the entire community pride can be reflected on what those conditions advertise. On the other hand, prim, painted buildings, well-kept streets, clean premises, instantly create the impression that the community is up-and-doing. You judge correctly that it is a progressive community.

This is the season of the year that clean-up programs are conducted on a community basis in the towns that are progressive, and Patton's spring clean-up period is next week. More so than the actual appearance of the properties, the clean-up weeks are movements to eliminate disease. Dirt and filth are breeding places for flies and mosquitoes. There is no excuse for dirt. Hence the clean-up week programs, now a part of the annual movements of most every town in our area, are to be regarded as a No. 1 "must" on the agenda.

Of course, borough councilmen and burgesses can issue proclamations, but unless every last property owner and tenant also takes a complete and active interest in the program, the result will not be 100 percent effective. Do your part in clean-up weeks. Not doing so is letting your neighbors down—letting the entire community down as well.

The Season for Oratory

On the even numbered years, the springtime is always accompanied by the primary election, and we judge even the most isolated citizen has some knowledge that such a referendum is in the offing. In Pennsylvania this spring the oratory is well above normal, and the quality is anything but uplifting. If we didn't know better, most of us would be led to believe that most anyone who is a candidate for office is either unfit for the job or maybe a downright crook. Political bombast, throughout American history, has mostly taken that trend. Too often, personalities instead of issues creep into the picture. All this squabbling within party ranks just now will later on be forgotten by most all concerned, so it isn't a wise policy to get yourself worked up over politics.

Aside from the candidates to be chosen at the spring primaries by both parties, in many communities—and Patton is one of them—there will be bond issue propositions put before the vote of the people and all citizens in these communities will receive a special ballot in addition to the regular primary ballot to decide what he or she thinks about such matters. It has been a long time since there were so many special ballots in so many different communities in this county. Every last one of them is on the voting of bond issues to meet certain requirements that the regular flow of tax revenue hasn't been sufficient to meet. Some will pass, others may fail. Supervisors, councilmen and school directors in many localities have plenty of headaches.

Crime Still Big Business

A crime every second. That's the record for the 12 months of 1949 as reported by J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI. During an average day last year, 293 persons were feloniously killed or assaulted, 162 robberies were committed, more than 1,000 places were burglarized and more than 440 cars were stolen, in addition to 2,800 other thefts. Crime was up 4.5 percent during the year and all offenses were on the rise except homicide and auto theft. The predominant age among persons arrested was 21 years. That means that a great proportion of the criminals likewise were teen-agers. The juvenile courts of Cambria County and most all other counties bear this out.

The FBI report shows that out of 74,778 automobiles reported stolen last year, the recovery percentage was 93.1. Hold-ups were more frequent on the public highways, a 2-to-1 ratio over kidnappings in commercial plants. Fingerprinting continues to be a "big business" for the FBI and almost 600,000 sets of the prints were taken and examined. The report shows that almost 60 percent were previously fingerprinted, being repeaters in crime.

Crimes are seasonal, concluded the report. Robberies, burglaries and auto thefts occur with greater frequency in the winter months and with less frequency in summer. Larcenies are lower the first part of the year and higher in the late fall and early winter. During the warm summer months assaults against the person are likewise heavier.

Let's Keep the Record 'Clean'

From away back in 1894, when Patton was incorporated as a borough, there have been various organizations that have promoted things that were good for Patton, and in those promotions, creed, color, nationality or politics certainly had no priority. The organizations, civic in character, were made up of all enterprising citizens, in athletics, bands, conventions, in the constant endeavor to better our conditions by obtaining industrial enterprises, in raising funds for various charities, and Patton can well be proud of its unity in purpose in every worthwhile endeavor. Everything that has been accomplished in the past has been realized through work by the citizenry. No one ever thought of attempting to take those glories unto themselves alone.

Throughout the years we have had an outstanding fire company, Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade, civic groups and various clubs and lodges that have aided our borough officials in many projects and that have put over many successful ventures outside local government. No one ever thought of injecting politics into the scenes of the common, collective good that is built very recently. There have been businessmen's groups, service clubs, too, and in recent years the several clubs who have helped finances grow when needed. In all of these lodges there have been members of all creeds, of different political parties. Any differences of personal thought or opinion never were even thought of by the folks who were interested in Patton's prosperity.

Lo, and behold! Lately—very, very lately—there appears on the Patton scene a "GOP Civic Club" who very believe that never before has such a thing happened in this community. We have no interest in who will be nominated by the Republicans for Governor. If it is the intention of this "Civic Club," for instance, to claim credit for their candidate because Patton obtained food control, then we ask: Why were they not active at the time, and over the years, that so many of our officials were working for that cause?

Certainly we are all glad of becoming a Good-Will town. Certainly we are glad that a Republican administration at Har- stonary saw fit to help us in our plight. Certainly we should be glad that the little things that would have held up the entire project were taken care of, too, by a Democratic borough council and a Democratic Board of County Commissioners. But not one bit of all this gives any partisan group here in Patton any right to call themselves a "GOP Civic Group."

The people of Patton don't want Republican Civic Groups. They don't want Democratic Civic Groups. They do want and have an active Chamber of Commerce, an active Businessmen's Association, several clubs and lodges that are always willing to help along. These bodies—not a single one of them—ask if a member is a Democrat or a Republican. No one asks whether the boys and girls in our high school band have any particular partisan leanings. No one would suggest that a good baseball or football player should be eliminated because he happens to favor a certain political party.

It must be disconcerting to the many, good, sincere members of the Republican Party here in Patton who always have put their shoulders to the wheel in promoting our progress to see a partisan "Civic Club" movement develop. Imagine that they are the folks who really are in a position to chastise the "newer" members of their party in their indiscretions, we hope that they can put to rest such "hostilities" for all time, at the primary election held next month. There never should be a time when political institutions can take into themselves those either work for the city and community movements—see even a title that indicates such a purpose.



DEAN

LeRoy Bergamaschi, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bergamaschi, was ill at his home here over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mensen and son, Charles, and nephew, Frank, of Altoona were visitors here at the Bergamaschi home Sunday afternoon.

James Fumicelli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fortunato Fumicelli, was injured in a mine accident in Coalport last Thursday evening. Reports of his injuries from the Phillipsburg Hospital are: a nose injury, which required two stitches, a twisted knee and a possible back sprain.

Charlotte Fumicelli, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fumicelli, was very ill last week.

Joseph Bergamaschi and daughter, Doris, were visitors at the Kifinger home in Cresoon last Sunday afternoon.

Marilyn O'Leary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tim O'Leary, is spending some time at the home of Louis Spiller in Plainfield, N. J.

Angeline Spiller of Jersey City, N. J., has returned home after a short visit here with her father, David Spiller.

Joseph Bergamaschi and daughter, Doris, were last Saturday afternoon business callers in Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bergamaschi visited in Coalport last Saturday evening.

Visitors in Cresoon last Wednesday night were Donna Mae Jacobs, Dorothy Briggs, Rose Ann Fontanella and Doris Bergamaschi.

Joseph Bergamaschi will be spending the week in Blairsville, where he is now employed as a bricklayer.

A very successful ham supper was had by the St. Mary Magdalene Parish in Frugality last Sunday. A round and square dance followed the supper later in the evening in the church hall.

Mr. and Mrs. David Willis of Altoona are now making their home here, having moved residence this past week end.

Theresa Johnston injured one of her fingers when it was caught in a food chopper.

Mrs. Margaret Hale is very ill at her home. We wish her a very speedy recovery.

Michael Matish Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Matish of Pal- lentimer was awarded the satin

HASTINGS

By ANNE EASLY

A birthday party was held here Sunday evening in honor of Gertrude Thomas and John Lann. Attending included Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bills, Paul Bills, Josephine Martucci, Francis Williams, Francis Abel, Anne Easley, all of this place, and Mary Dorko of Barnesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. O. T. Strittmatter visited in State College on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Easly of Altoona spent the past week end visiting in town.

Louise Koral of Washington, D. C., was a week end visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kirach and family of Spangler visited in town last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Strittmatter and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Strittmatter visited in Carrolltown last Sunday.

Mrs. H. Joseph Easly of Pittsburgh is spending the week visiting here.

Peggy Cooney of Carrolltown visited in town last Wednesday.

Jean Stewart of Spangler visited here last Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Strittmatter and daughter, Patty, of Altoona, visited in town last Sunday.

Lois Donahue of Pittsburgh visited here over the week end.

Vincent Sherry of Altoona visited in town one day last week.

Mary Ruth Seisberger was a last Monday visitor in Vintondale.

BLATT BROTHERS

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On Both Nights

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TUESDAY, May 2

Gary Cooper, Helen Hayes

FAREWELL TO ARMS

ALSO
Becky Lane, Eddy Waller

SHERIFF OF WICHITA

WED. & THURSDAY
May 3 & 4

JANE WYMAN
MARLENE DIETRICH
MICHAEL WILDING
RICHARD TODD, in

STAGE FRIGHT

CASH NITES

Hollentown

John and Wellington Bland of Bellwood were business callers in town on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Fortney and children, David and Betty, visited in town Friday at the Withrow home. Thursday visitors at the Withrow home were Mrs. E. Heltz, Mrs. Matilda Pinke and son, and Mrs. Clement Holtz and daughter, all of Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Conrad attended a political rally at Ebensburg last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conley and family of Fallentimber visited Sunday with Mrs. Conley's mother, Mrs. Ethel Conley.

A large number of local young people attended a church rally in Altoona on Friday evening.

Mrs. Margaret Britton is visiting her son in Bristol, Pa. She also will visit friends in Harrisburg.

Harry Owens of Patton was a caller here on Friday.

Mrs. David Nash and daughter, Shirley, of Blandburg visited friends here one day last week.

Mrs. Bill Kilmeyer of Hollentown visited her daughters in Bellwood this past week.

GLASGOW

By JANE C. KUHN

Peggy Troxell of Altoona spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Troxell.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Krus and daughters, Carol and Connie, of Juniata spent the week end here at the Chester Kuhn home.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Camberg of Altoona spent Sunday here at the Foster Troxell residence.

Mrs. Clyde Krus Jr. and Mrs. John Troxell were last Saturday visitors in Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Foster Troxell and daughters were last Saturday afternoon visitors in Altoona.

Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Barnett of Sidman visited here recently with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dixon and family of Altoona visited in town last Sunday at the D. A. Dixon residence.

Members of the Caroline Troxell Rebekah Lodge who attended the district meeting last Thursday in South Fork included Anna Binnix, Mildred Gates, Annie B. Troxell, Genevieve Hotzner, Elsie Kuhn, Betty Hesseck, Iva Lovell, Ivan Kuhn, Grace Lovell, Essie Baker and Marguerite Garman.

Ordinances

CHANGE OF LINES, GRADES AND WIDTHS

ORDINANCE NO. 206

On Ordinance Approving and Establishing the Lines, Grades, Widths, Drainage Structures and All Other Structures appearing on the Plan of the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, showing Proposed Improvement on Ridge Avenue in the Borough of Patton, Cambria County, Pennsylvania; Adopting the said Plan as the Official Borough Plan for Said Street and providing for the removal of non-utility structures.

WHEREAS, The Department of Highways has submitted to the Borough Council of Patton Borough a plan showing the proposed construction and change of lines, grades and widths of a portion of State Highway Route No. 11054 on Ridge Avenue, from Station 206+75.00 to Station 211+80.85, a distance of 505.85 feet, as shown by the said plan prepared and submitted by the Department of Highways, approved March 20, 1950, by the Chief Engineer of the Department of Highways.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Borough of Patton and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same, that the lines, grades, widths, drainage structures and all other structures shown on the plans prepared and submitted by the Department of Highways as aforesaid be, and the same are adopted, and are hereby enacted and ordained as and for the true and proper lines, grades, widths, drainage structures and all other structures of and for the said Ridge Avenue, as shown on the said plan, which is hereby adopted as the Official Borough Plan for the said Street.

SECTION 2. The Borough hereby assumes responsibility for the removal of all non-utility structures where necessary for the opening or improvement in accordance with the aforesaid plan.

SECTION 3. The President of the Borough Council and the Burgesses are hereby authorized to express the approval of the Borough to change of lines, grades and widths of the aforesaid State Highway Route, by affixing their signatures, and the Borough Seal to the said plan.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its approval as provided by law.

Enacted into an ordinance and passed at a session of Council of the Borough of Patton held this 21st day of March, A. D. 1950.

CLARENCE A. GILL, President, Patton Borough Council

Attest:
ALBERT L. HALUSKA, Secretary

Approved: ROBERT FORSYTHE, Burgess

ORDINANCE NO. 205

Signifying the desire of the Borough Council of the Borough of Patton, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, to make an increase of the debt of said Borough in the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand (\$36,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of providing funds for and toward the construction, maintenance and repair of a new reservoir dam for the Patton Water Works and the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and sewers and other general borough purposes within said Borough.

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to make an increase of the debt of the Borough of Patton, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, in the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand (\$36,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of providing funds for and toward the construction, maintenance and repair of a new reservoir dam for the Patton Water Works and the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and sewers and other general borough purposes within said Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby enacted and ordained by

the Borough Council of Patton Borough, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, that:

Section 1. The Council of the Borough of Patton hereby signifies its desire to make an increase of the debt of said Borough of Patton in the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand (\$36,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of providing funds for and toward the construction, maintenance and repair of a new reservoir dam for the Patton Water Works and the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and sewers and other general borough purposes within said Borough.

Section 2. A special election be and the same is hereby called for the Primary election day on Tuesday, May 16, 1950, during the hours when the polling places in the Borough of Patton are open for the purpose of conducting said Primary election; said election shall be at the place for holding the municipal elections in Patton Borough, for the purpose of obtaining the assent of the electors of said Borough of Patton to an increase of the debt of said Borough of Patton in the sum of Thirty-Six Thousand (\$36,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of providing funds for and toward the construction, maintenance and repair of a new reservoir dam for the Patton Water Works and the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and sewers and other general borough purposes within said Borough.

Section 3. The President and Secretary of the Borough Council of Patton Borough are hereby authorized and directed to give notice of said election in the Union Press-Courier, a newspaper of general circulation, circulating generally in the Borough of Patton and in the Cambria County Legal Journal, the legal newspaper designated by the Rules of Court for the publication of legal notices and advertisements in said County. Said election notice shall be published in both weekly newspapers, referred to above, two (2) times, the first publication to be during the week beginning Sunday, April 23, 1950, and the second to be during the week beginning Sunday, April 30, 1950. The first publication of such notice shall therefore, be not less than fourteen (14) days nor more than twenty-one (21) days before the date of the special election and Primary election day, May 16, 1950.

Section 4. The question to be submitted to the electors of the Borough of Patton at the election

to be held on Primary election day, May 16, 1950, shall be in the following form:

"Shall the debt of the Borough of Patton, Cambria County, Pennsylvania, be increased in the sum of \$36,000.00 for the purpose of providing funds for and toward the construction, maintenance and repair of a new reservoir dam for the Patton Water Works and the construction, maintenance and repair of streets and sewers and other general borough purposes within said Borough?"

Section 5. The Secretary of the Borough Council of the Borough of Patton is hereby authorized and directed to submit to the County Board of Elections of the County of Cambria at least twenty-five (25) days prior to Primary Election day, May 16, 1950, a certified copy of this Ordinance and the form of question to be submitted to the electors.

Duly adopted this 27th day of March, 1950, to be effective on and after April 14, 1950.

CLARENCE A. GILL, President, Patton Borough Council

Attest:
ALBERT L. HALUSKA, Secretary

And now, March 27, 1950, approved.
ROBERT FORSYTHE, Burgess

Spring time is Saving time at

It's Spring! Mama and papa and the youngsters—everybody in the family has the urge to get up and go places. See that your car is in ship-shape condition, in good running order, safe and ready for lots of travel. Bring it to us for a check-up. We'll tell you exactly what your car needs... give you an estimate... and do the work you order speedy and well.

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