

Carrolltown, Barnesboro Tie For Low Assessment 'Honors'

Properties Taxed At Only 24.8 Of Real Value; County Figure 37.2

Cambria County's assessed valuation of real estate moved higher last year, but the market value of country property had an even greater increase.

This is according to the new annual report of the State Tax Equalization Board, which lists market value of property in the county at \$413,044,500—an increase of \$6,242,300 over that of 1953.

The assessment used by the state board in preparing the table was \$153,464,800. That figure is a jump of \$1,455,340 over the previous year.

The 1954 percentage of assessed valuation stands at 37.2 percent of the market value—a decrease of .2 percent.

The board's report is used as a formula by the state in deciding state financial aid to the county's 57 school districts.

East Conemaugh Borough, as usual had the highest assessed valuation percentage.

The district's market value is listed at \$3,236,700 while the assessment totaled \$1,591,070. The percentage, therefore, is 49.2, the same as the previous year.

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New Surplus Food Eligibility Rules Announced for State

New Income Scale Less Drastic Than That First Proposed By Federal Department of Agriculture

The U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have reached an agreement which stiffens eligibility standards for distribution of farm surplus foods in Pennsylvania.

The agreement, however, is not as strict as federal officials proposed.

Under the new eligibility scales to go into effect on Aug. 1 a three-person family with an income of less than \$200 a month will be eligible for the food. If the family earns more than that it cannot take part in the program.

Gov. George M. Leader disclosed agreement to his plan last week and noted that the reversal of the federal decision for a still lower scale will allow about 200,000 state residents receiving social security and state unemployment compensation to remain on the surplus food rolls.

Of the 60 counties in the state, some 50 are enrolled in the program. Cambria County was one of the first to have a surplus food program, and in the areas outside the city of Johnstown it is handled here by the United Mine Workers of America.

Some 1,022,000 Pennsylvanians now are registered for food, more than in any other state in the nation.

Increases in eligibility range from \$15 to \$40 over the previously stated scale demanded by the federal government.

The previously recommended scale and the new scale, consisting of monthly income from various sources, follows:

No. of Old Scale Persons Deprived	New Scale	Present
1	\$85	\$110
2	\$125	\$160
3	\$160	\$200
4	\$190	\$240
5	\$215	\$280
6	\$240	\$300
7	\$260	\$320
8	\$280	\$340
9	\$300	\$360

State officials said the reason for the federal government's present decision to eliminate the 200,000 persons from the program was due to the government's belief that Pennsylvania was too liberal in qualifying needy persons.

Adoption of the lower scale would have meant that one of four persons receiving social security would have been denied surplus food as would a man and wife receiving state unemployment or workmen's compensation.

Both the new and old scales eliminate a single individual receiving unemployment compensation or a single person receiving workmen's compensation.

Hundreds of Northern Cambria residents are at present receiving the surplus foods.

LETTERS TO JANE . . .

By A. PAULINE SANDERS, Ph.D. Irona, Pennsylvania

Dear Jane,

Did you ever stop to think that it's all in the point of view? To the farmer, July is a month of hard work in harvesting and marketing some of his crops and cultivating others. To the school children it means a full month of carefree play, while working people anticipate the long-awaited 2-week vacation. And the homemaker, taking the weather, vacation and food into consideration, put summer meal planning into high gear.

Apply designation as "National Picnic Month." July will find families taking their meals to the parks, to the mountains, along the fishing or swimming holes, and to camp sites. Even at home, many meals will be "picnic style" served on porches, patios, and in the backyards. The ordinary foods become intriguing when served under such circumstances.

Food shoppers will find a wide choice of just-right dishes for summertime eating, both indoors and out, on the list of foods in abundant supply during July, as issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Plain and fancy, two items lead the July plentiful list—ICE CREAM and POTATOES.

Since foods in plentiful supply usually are reasonably priced, you'll be interested in the current list. Ice cream and other milk and dairy products, beef, broilers and fryers, fresh and frozen halibut, rice, vegetable fats and oils, hard potatoes, lettuce, domestic round cabbage as well as other seasonal vegetables, fresh and processed lima, canned grapefruit segments, sour cherries, small size prunes, and raisins.

For weeks now we've been hearing about June as a dairy month. However, in July there will be plenty of this valuable food even if cows tend to give somewhat less milk in hot summer weather.

The health-giving properties of milk become more important than ever during hot weather, when appetites lag and well-planned meals may go untouched. Often diners only top with food, but a glass of milk will not be ignored. It goes down smoothly and easily, making up for many of the nutrients that have been left on the plate.

Milk in its fresh whole fluid form provides the most in health-giving properties. The qualities in milk which promote growth and the development of sound teeth and bones in children, are needed by adults to maintain the body in good repair. Children need about a quart of milk a day. Teen-agers may require even more, and adults should have at least one or more pints a day.

Many products made from milk will supplement the nutritional needs provided by milk itself. In terms of calcium, one cup of milk, an equivalent amount will be furnished by 1½ ounces of cheddar cheese, or 1½ ounces of cream cheese, or 11 ounces of cottage cheese (not creamed), or 1½ cups of ice cream.

Dear me, how serious I sound. But it is serious and important that we give our families the essential nutrients and milk affords such an ideal way to get calcium, riboflavin, and potassium. Then, too, the clever housewife can so easily incorporate milk in many cooked foods. As much as ¼ cup of milk can be contained in one serving of scalloped or creamed dishes—vegetables, fish eggs or meat, and in desserts such as puddings, custards, or cream pies. Delicious creamed sauces may contain up to 1 cup of milk in each serving.

If one is keeping the calories down to an absolute minimum, just remember that almost all of the nutrients of whole milk (except vitamin A and fat) in the same amount of buttermilk or skim milk—with about half the amount of calories. One cup of milk contains 165 calories, but skim and buttermilk contain only 85. You can have almost a quart of skim milk—a

REILLYS

Mr. and Mrs. Rino Zordi and children, Warren and Marilyn, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nora, Mr. and Mrs. William Pinali, all of New Brunswick, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pinali and family of Altoona and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Cotton and family and Mrs. Roggoff of Washington, D. C. were week end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Delatree.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Delatree and daughter, Louise, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Delatree of Eastings and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Delatree of Ebensburg.

Alfred Delatree and sons, Alfred and Frank, and William Wightman and son, Ronald, recently spent a few days fishing in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Delatree and family spent a few days at Black Moshannon State Park recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tomko and daughter of Cleveland, Ohio, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCall and son of Ohio visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legrand and family visited recently with relatives in Ohio.

John Tinko Jr. of South Carolina recently spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Legrand.

Mrs. Julia Legrand, Barbara and Paul Bick, spent a vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Guinovors of Houtdale.

Chester Strasser of Creason visited with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lallemand recently.

Ralph Rostan of Washington, D. C. visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hauret.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kober and family and James Humenick, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kober and family and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Guber and family spent the week end at Black Moshannon State Park.

Airman Second Class and Mrs. George Swisher recently visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Swisher and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kober.

Mrs. Martz and children of Lewistown are spending a vacation at the home of Mrs. Clemence Lallemand.

Miss Nancy Kirkpatrick is visiting in Dry Run with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hockensberry.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baker of Akron, Ohio, spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kirkpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Kirkpatrick and children, Nancy, James and Patty, visited in Harrisburg and Gettysburg recently.

Gordon Kirkpatrick and sons, James and Richard, recently visited in Lewistown.

FALLETIMBER

Miss Carol Van Scoyoc of Van Ormer, Mrs. Howard F. Glass, Mrs. Jesse L. Hahn and Misses Cora and Mary Glass attended a regular meeting of the Ellen Wilson Rebekah Lodge of Coalport Monday evening.

Glenn W. Mulhollen and son, Don, spent the week end visiting friends and relatives in Akron, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael R. Matish and son, Robert, and Mrs. Howard F. Glass visited Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas V. Criste of Dyarst R. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Good and son, Robert, visited recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blain Gallaher of McConnellstown.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bickford of Palmyra and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vogel spent their vacation in Palmyra and York.

Miss Patty Tonkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Tonkin had her tonsils and adenoids removed at Miners' Hospital, Spangier, recently.

Master Roy Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Davis of Colerain is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn L. Glass.

Harold G. Potter of Detroit, Mich. spent several days visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geoffrey Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Beck and children, Janice and Ricky, of Tyrone, visited on Friday evening with Mrs. Hazel Kough and Mrs. E. J. Goy.

Miss Gail Jenkins of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the week end visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Jenkins.

Mrs. Hazel J. Jenkins and son, Philip, of Detroit, Mich. are visiting at the home of Mrs. W. R. Kough.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dawson and daughter, "Sparky", and Paul D. Jenkins of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the week end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Jenkins.

Calvin L. Edmiston of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Edmiston.

Miss Elmeda Frye of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the week end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence W. Frye.

Jack Morris of Detroit, Mich. is visiting at the home of his father, Mike Morris.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Edward Buddie of Pittsburgh spent the week end visiting at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Upton E. Plessinger and Mr. and Mrs. Edward K. Buddie.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Noel and children of Pittsburgh spent the week end visiting here.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bloss and children of Railroad spent the week end visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Edmiston.

Wilbur S. Zimmerman of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the week end visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zimmerman.

Variety of New Spring Fabrics For Decorating

Following the "mixed separates" idea in clothing fashion, the home fabric styles are here in print-and-solid ensembles. New prints enliven the draperies, while solid color upholstery appears in contrast fabric, picking up the understated hues of the print. Or vice versa, the solid drapery carries out the color theme of the print slip-cover.

These contrast combinations occur in the same fabric line, as prints appear with solid borders and solids come out edged with print.

The prints are provincial this spring, with imaginative designs providing pleasant diversion. Also important are modern abstracts and sporting prints.

Fabric-wise, the emphasis is on washable synthetics, such as Fortisan, a fibre blended with rayon and cotton.

CROSSWORD

- ACROSS
1. Lost color
 2. Malt beverage
 3. Indistinct across
 4. Not straight-forwardly
 5. Writing table
 6. Therefore
 7. Weep lightly over
 8. Dwell on
 9. Bicycle (shortened)
 10. Boil slowly
 11. Employ
 12. Italian capital
 13. Actuate
 14. Related
 15. Climbing stem
 16. Girth's name
 17. Like
 18. Busy
 19. Expel
 20. Northeast (abbr.)
 21. Escape (slang)
 22. Beige color
 23. Novice
 24. Prosecuted judicially
 25. Fum
 26. Orient
 27. Similar
 28. An evening party
 29. A city magistrate
 30. Pass a rope through (naut.)
 31. Wallow through water
 32. Trembling



- DOWN
1. On account of
 2. Soak fax
 3. Kings, queens or emperors
 4. Land measure
 5. Boss
 6. Infringe
 7. Shield
 8. Extinct birds
 9. City (Japan)
 10. Gifts for the poor
 11. Part of a telephone
 12. Rail
 13. Goddess of dawn
 14. Twilled fabric
 15. Evening (poet.)
 16. Even (poet.)
 17. Rhodium (sym.)

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Local 6394 Urges Seeking of Changes in Welfare Setup

Cite Sick Insurance Program As Biggest Need In Letters to John L. Lewis, Executive Board

Conemaugh Local Union, 6394, UMWA, has requested that we publish the following letter sent to John L. Lewis, President, and the International Executive Board of the UMWA, Washington, D. C.

"The membership of Local Union 6394, Conemaugh, Pa., District No. 2, has adopted the following at the last regular session June 11, 1955, pertaining to our working conditions, wages and welfare.

"We in the coal industry have not had an increase in basic wages since 1952. Our welfare program is outdated and is being outdistanced by other labor organizations.

"Since 1952, the United Steel Workers, Automobile Industry, Rubber Industry and a dozen others have received wage increases and better working conditions each year, and are all surpassing the coal miner who has to labor underground.

"We know and understand that the coal industry has had its trying times, and we also know that coal is basic to industry. Therefore we believe that it is time to act.

"We in the coal industry do not have a sick insurance program. This is the biggest issue confronting our members at this time. When fellow coal miners get sick they have nowhere to turn for help but to go to the Department of Public Assistance, or turn to some other charitable organization for something to eat and buy clothing for their families.

"We also want to point out to you that in our State of Pennsylvania, when our members are forced to go to the Department of Public Assistance for help, they are forced to surrender their insurance policies, sell their automobiles, if they own one, and if they happen to own their own property, they must sign a lien against said property before they are eligible for any assistance.

"This is what is happening to sick members of the United Mine Workers of America, simply because the International Union of Public Assistance officers and executive Board have failed to adopt a sick plan.

"Steps should be taken immediately to correct these conditions. We also wish to point out that the United Steel Workers, who

pay \$3 or \$4 a month toward their sick plan, receive as much as \$42.50 per week for six months in case of illness, and this also carries a death benefit of \$3,000 to \$4,000 payable at death and not spread out over a year's payment.

"The initiation fees and dues of the United Steel Workers, at present are lower than those of the UMWA, and their benefits are greater.

"We also want to point out the unfairness that is being dealt to a single man or a member without any dependents who at death receives the small sum of \$350, but if he carries an insurance policy of \$300 his beneficiary does not receive one cent from the Welfare Fund, yet the same man pays the same amount of dues as a family man whose widow or dependents receive the small sum of \$1,000 which is split up and payable over one full year.

"This plan is inadequate and is outdated, and is not comparable to any other labor organization. Our present annual vacation system is outdated as far as the number of days or amount we receive for this period.

"We should follow the pattern of other labor organizations. We believe the coal miner is entitled to more vacation time, and pay, plus paid holidays, as received by other labor groups.

"In conclusion, something should be done for the unfortunate men of the coal industry, who have lost their jobs and are too old for the industrial work, and too young to receive pensions. They are the forgotten men of the UMWA and the coal industry. This also includes the sick and ailing men of the coal industry, yet today, these same men who were the backbone of the union are turned away and forced to accept charity from State and Welfare Agencies.

"The membership of Local Union 6394, Conemaugh, Pa., would appreciate it very much, if this letter would be given your wholehearted consideration and attention.

"The letter is signed by John Blasek, Jr., president; Louis Rosansel, recording secretary, and John Michyna, financial secretary.

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Colored Hose Is Making Debut

There's colorful news afoot in the hosiery world, as shoes open up for spring and summer wear. Because this opening bares more of the foot, women are becoming more stocking conscious—and taking to newly colored hose as a result.

The "blended look" above and below the hemline includes hosiery, Pastels, for instance, follow the lead of the new pastel shoe leathers. Stockings appear in pale pink, champagne, yellow and in particular pale blue, which blends so well with spring and summer navy.

Gray is very much in evidence, melting into new gray ensembles.

The shock colors, while seen less frequently than others, are still more popular than ever before. Purples, deep pinks, strong yellows and bright blues make up the gayest tones in footwear.

Reds, so important in shoes, are missing in stockings. Instead, they are subtly blended with pinky stockings tones or else contrasted with gray.

Avocado-colored shoes get the blend treatment also, with yellow beige hose. Some, however, are a true avocado.

Checks and overchecks are to be seen in a new boy-shoosized topcoat. Although it's styled and treated for rain protection, it has a sleeve set and texture that give it additional reason in the sun for men's wear.

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