



Abe Groff

Groff named commissioner

Abram Groff, Mount Joy, was recently appointed by the Lancaster County Commissioners to a four year term on the Lancaster County Planning Commission. He was also elected to the position of Secretary-Treasurer by the Planning Commission.

Groff represents Region 4, covering the municipalities of Elizabethtown, Lititz, Manheim, Marietta and Mount Joy, and the townships of Conoy, East Donegal, Elizabeth, Mount Joy, Rapho, Penn, Warwick and West Donegal.

The Lancaster County Planning Commission has nine members.

DID YOU HEAR....

Betty Groff, Mount Joy's most renowned cook, is collecting material for another tome. The working title is "From Garden to Glass"—and it will tell you what to plant in your garden

and what to do with the fruits thereof.

Betty is looking for ideas and recipes for canning and freezing—she would welcome your contributions. Here's your chance to get Grandma's Rose Petal Jelly into print!

Mt. Joy Boro Council, 2/9

The proposed agenda for the Mount Joy Borough Council meeting to be held on Monday, February 9, 1976, at 7:30 p.m., in the Borough Offices Buildings, 21 East Main Street, Mount Joy, PA is as follows:

1. Receive auditors report for 1975.
2. Consider passage of a Resolution supporting the Bicentennial celebration.
3. Consider guaranteeing of the Mount Joy Borough Authority's up-coming bond issue.
4. Receive the 1976 committee objectives.
5. Consider approving the proposed conditional use for Witmer and McCoy and David G. Heisey.
6. Discuss the Merchants Association request for additional Borough funding of snow removal.
7. Consider accepting the lease for the parking lot behind East Main Street.
8. Discuss community development application for 1976.



Parents hear Mr. Lawrence

Mr. James Lawrence, Principal of Maytown Elementary School recently spoke at the January meeting of the Parents and Teachers in Partnership of Maytown School. Mr. Lawrence described how the elementary school fits into the state educational system.

He discussed the "quality continuous progress" education which occurs in our local elementary school system. Grading, communication, and discipline were also among the topics covered by Mr. Lawrence in his presentation and in the question and answer period which followed.

Sylvia Herr, fund raising chairman, reported that the Colgate School Action Plan will go into action in the near future. Mothers will be asked to save the labels of Colgate products which will be redeemed for cash by the parents' group. Funds will be used for school equipment.

Topic of discussion for the February meeting of the Parents and Teachers in Partnership will be student safety and the safety patrol program. The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 12, at 7:30 p.m., at the Maytown Elementary School.



From left to right: Mrs. Maurice Bailey, Mrs. Pat Herr, Miss Mary Jane Hoffer, Mrs. John Fry, Mr. Maurice Bailey, Mrs. Molly Hart, Lesetta Mummau, Jean Bixler, Mrs. Marilyn Edsell

Bailey tells BPW about history of Grey Iron Casting Company

by Hazel Baker

Maurice Bailey, director and former secretary of the original Grey Iron Casting Company, Mount Joy, spoke on the history of that industry at the January meeting of the Mount Joy Business and Professional Women's Club.

The company, according to Mr. Bailey, was originated in 1940 by three Mount Joy men. It burned in 1871 and was rebuilt at a new location in 1871. In 1881 it was reorganized as Grey Iron Company Limited.

In 1896 the foundry was moved to East Donegal Street. Finally, the foundry

was rebuilt in 1899 on South Jacob Street, today's site.

The chief products were mechanical banks, trivets, miniature cooking utensils, stoves, replicas of dolls, and novelties.

In 1903, the National Novelty Company acquired the business. World War II closed the foundry and torpedo trucks were manufactured. This also brought about the hiring of women to paint the trucks.

In 1944, the company changed from defense production to toys.

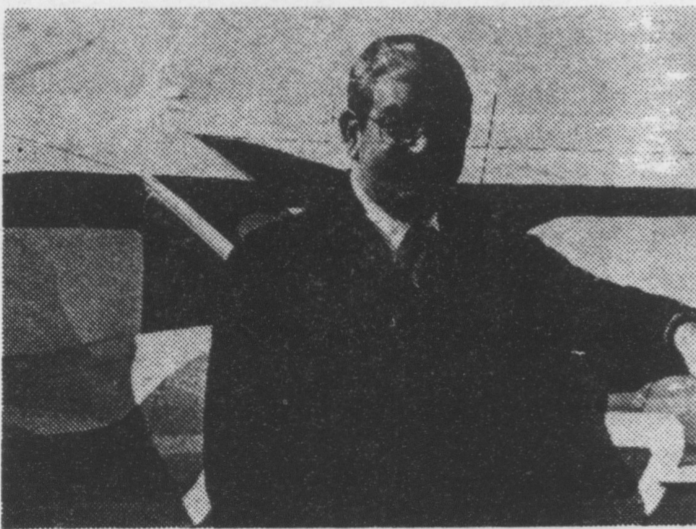
In 1962, a three story office and showroom was added to the establishment. In 1954, a two story structure for shipping and

storage was built onto the plant. In 1973, a one story addition to house electric furnaces and six floors for molding the castings was completed.

In 1974 the name was changed to Donsco Inc., which is a contraction of Don Smith. The company was consolidated with Riverside Foundry, John Wright Inc., York Metal Factory and Wrightsville Hardware Company.

Mrs. Patricia Herr, a member of the civic participation committee introduced the speaker and Mrs. Ralph Garber who presented several vocal solos accompanied by Mrs. Melvin Schaeffer.

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God has helped us to rejoice through our grief. Becky was a Christian. She loved Jesus very much and her short life was a wonderful testimony to all who knew her. Because of this, Heaven has become a much nearer and dearer place to us, for we know that one day we will be with her again.

God has been our strength. None of us is strong enough to cope with something like this alone. But when we depend on God, He gives us so much more than we need.

It is our hope that all of you can share the love of God that we have found. Becky would wish this for you too.

We want to talk to many of you in the days ahead and would welcome suggestions on how we can better serve the Lord in the operation of our business.

Thank you all for being not just customers, but friends, and for caring so much.

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Willis and Martha Herr and Family