

OWL LAFFS



A WISE OWL

Remember those two men-about-town who did the family marketing several weeks ago? Well, on Sunday they motored to Havre de Grace to see if they could find any trace of a horse they bet on in Saturday's races.

When they got to the track they scanned the course and sure enough there on the back stretch was the horse and rider nearing the upper turn on the final dash for home. These two men (Newcomer employees) waited until the spectacular finish was completed and then went out on the track to see what explanation the jockey had to offer.

This is it: Just as the race had started and they were going around the first turn, the horse got temperamental and refused to run the rest of the race until he had seen the newly completed Perryville bridge (because the track was closing and all the horses would be moved Sunday and he made up his mind he'd see that bridge before leaving, or else!).

Well, the jockey, knowing his horse was plenty fast, decided to humor him and still get back to win the race in plenty of time. Everything went lovely until they got to the toll house and the toll man wanted twenty cents for them to cross the bridge and the horse argued that a celebrity like him should go across free and this ended in quite an argument, so finally the horse decided they could go to the dickens with their bridge and came back to the track to finish the race and that's all that's to it.

Now don't be skeptical! Of course all that blab was a lot of foolishness but it helps fill the column and they really were at the track.

If Junior isn't careful he's going to have these penny scale owners pickingeting him. And if any of you gals would like to know your weight and hate to part with a penny just go to Junior, he'll weigh you and love it.

How do I know? 'Cause the other day Junior and one of my very kind readers were discussing females girls, to you). And Junior announced that he wished he could hold his girl on his lap. Sheeked, his friend asked why he would want to do such a thing and Junior bashfully explained: "So I could find out how heavy she is." So there, boys, don't give your girl a penny to get weighed. Just find a comfy place to sit, and with weighing her as an excuse, hold the bashful little lady on your lap. ... Junior, you're a clever boy!

Did I ever tell you about the girl they called "Rome" because of her beautiful form?

Met a Freshie on the bank corner looking very concerned yesterday. When I saw two of her classmates coming by I asked: "What ails her?" The one replied: "She's wrestling with her conscience." And the other added: "It's a featherweight match."

I finally had the pleasure of meeting quite a famous man. He pioneered in harnessing nature's forces ... In short, he invented the girdle. He sure gets around.

Any of you guys who missed the Junior play last Thursday sure missed seeing something plee-nity nice! That little French maid was something to write home about, with or without her accent.

Our neighbor says either the devil was chasing Sam on Monday morning or else he didn't want anyone to know he stopped to say hello to a certain person, but we'll give you fair warning, Sam, next time wait a minute to say hello to everybody or we'll tell Sara on you.

The other morning Clayt Newcomer was very considerate and

MESCAL IKE By S. L. HUNTLEY



Tenth Annual G. S. Marble Tournament

The tenth annual Grade School Marble tournament is open with about 150 entries under the direction of C. Casper Kreider, of the Borough schools faculty; Newton Kendig, pupils director, assisted by Lee Rice and John Booth. Prizes of wearing apparel will be furnished by the local Rotary Club. A champion will be crowned in each grade from one to eight, and the four highest of each grade from one to four will compete for the junior championship.

The highest in grades five to eight will compete for the borough title. The tournament is open to both boys and girls under fifteen years of age. The girls have their own tournament which is separated into a class for entries from the first four grades, and a class for the entries from grades five to eight.

Table with columns for school names and scores. Includes 'EAST DONEGAL H. S. TOPS ACADEMY, 6 TO 2' and 'F. and M. Academy'.

BACK RUN AND ELM TREE DEFEAT LINCOLN Many of the Schools of Rapho Township have participated in baseball during the closing months of school. No longer are sports confined to our larger school systems but have entered into our smaller districts. Back Run and Elm Tree have defeated Lincoln School by a large score. Special applause should be given to Eck Run who had only thirteen pupils during the 1940-41 term. The pupils are looking forward again to the opening term to participate in sports.

OUR LOCAL BOWLERS BANQUET AT FLORIN The Mount Joy Town Bowling league composed of 8 teams held a business meeting and banquet Tuesday night at the Florin Hotel. The league completed its season last Tuesday, when the Sparky's won the town championship by defeating the Young's. The Sparky's are C. Nissley, J. Spangler, J. Widman and John Mater.

walked down to the service station so that if his wife wanted the car it would be in the garage. Not long after he was at the station Geneva walked in and said she wanted the car and then was told that he left it at the house for her. So then some one drove her back home. ... Next time why don't you ride your bike? You can always take that home on the "service" car.

We've been told that Clayt is seriously thinking about calling in the "cops" to find out why his car keys are always mysteriously disappearing down at the station. Naughty, boys!

AUNT MIN SEZ:

The other day I started in housecleanin' fer dearlife! Thinks I, Min, now's the time to get the job over with before the weather sets in hot-like'n flies come swarmin' 'round the place.

Well, I got my scrub bucket'n sum nice soft rags'n soap'n stuff'n went up to the garret, fer I always think it's better to start up at the top'n work on down. This here garret'a mine always jest about gets me down... I guess I've got what sum folks call the "hoardin' habit" ... but I jest naturally have sentiment fer stuff'n keep on dustin' it off frum year to year, even if it don't do no body no good nowh...

I wuz havin' a right good rum-inatin' on all kinds'a old time stuff ... sum'a it, I started in thinkin', I'd jest make the break'n throw out this year of 1941, but then my tender spirit come to the fore'n back they went fer to stay fer another six months, waitin' fer another house cleanin'.

Hangin' up on the attic rafters fer nigh on to thirty years now, wuz that awful lookin' painted up picture of "Uncle Zeke" ... at least that's what wuz writ on the back'a the thing. Who ever this "Uncle Zeke" wuz I never knew'n fer that reason Zeke stayed up in the attic all these years. The inspiration dawned on me that maybe he wuzn't my Uncle Zeke at all, but sum other Uncle Zeke'n I took the bull by the horns'n put the picture in the stair steps to throw out on the ash pile.

I wuz kind'a tired out frum cleanin' when it come time for me to stop'n go to get a bite to eat I guess I must'a kind'a lost consciensness about Uncle Zeke bein' on the top step'n down we both went ker-plumblin' over about five'a my garret steps.

I wuz jest about gettin' over the shock'a that tumble down steps with Zeke's big picture the next day, when in come my friend Jen sayin' "...fer land sakes, Min, what's the idea'n not goin' out this here beautiful afternoon? ... Sun shinin', birds singin'n nature callin' frum the hill tops to be communed with ... so I got rigged up, even though I wuz gettin' stiff like frum that fall down the garret steps.

We wuz strollin' up Locust Street along the Park lookin' at the squirrels'n commentin' on how awful thrifty they wuz hoardin' stuff fer a rainy day, when Jen grabs hold'a my arm sayin' "...Look, Min' ... Look quick! ... there goes Uncle Zeke." "Where," sez I, "where's Uncle Zeke?" "N then I saw my ash man haulin' a big load'a ashes'n stuff'n standin' up lookin' over the back'a the truck wuz that awful picture 'a Uncle Zeke, with that silly grin on his face... like as if he wuz sayin' "...So long Min! ... How's your shin frum fallin' down steps?" ... 'N the pest kept on grinnin' that silly grin'n I sed to Jen "if ever I wuz glad to see a load'a junk go up a stret, I'm glad fer the sight'a that picture goin' there... it's the worst lookin' picture of sum mody laughin' I ever seen" ... 'N Jen sed, "ach, well, Min, cheer up ... he's sure headin' fer the last round-up now" ... 'n we started in lookin' at the squirrels again. Sumtimes stuff gets on a person's nerves.

HOME OWNERS FORUM

CONCRETE sidewalks or flagstone paths can be laid directly on the earth granting natural drainage facilities and soil sufficiently loose to assure moisture filtration. When adequate drainage is lacking, the installation of a well-packed base of at least six inches of gravel or cinders is essential to prevent the collection of water from undermining the concrete.

Whatever the path width or flagstone design, two by fours laid so as the top edges mark the walk surface make convenient side and section forms. Lay sidewalks in about five foot sections with narrow vacancies to allow for expansion. The irregular designs commonly emphasized in concrete flagstone construction adequately compensate for any movement.

For complete assurance as to the quality of the ingredients and consequent durability, it is advisable to mix the priming coat on the job from 3 parts (by volume) of paste white lead, 4 parts lead mixing or lead reducing oil. Follow with two topcoats of equal parts of the two ingredients tinted as desired with paste colors-in-oil.

LANDISVILLE

Mrs. Earle Stauffer returned home from the hospital Sunday. The Church of God Sunday School will hold a food sale Thursday, May 8th. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Swarr announce the birth of a daughter.

Refreshment: John Baker, Edith Kreider and Susan Lockwood. Secondary Roll: Seniors, Robert Baker, Miriam Brubaker, Louise Covert, Betty Godshalk, Blanche Ibach, Betty Kendig, Norma Landis, Eleanor Mowrer, Russell Murray, Jean Nash, Marian Nolt, Anna Stank and Wilbur Shoemaker.

First Hymnbook in U. S. Mrs. Florence Bronson Hays of Gasport, N. Y., owns a copy of what she believes was the first hymnbook printed in the United States. The author and publisher was Oliver Bronson, an ancestor of Mrs. Hays. He was a distinguished composer and teacher of sacred music during colonial times, and general master of the colonial militia. The book carries an inscription which says: "A new collection of Sacred Harmony containing a set of Psalm Tunes, Hymns and Anthems; likewise the necessary rules of psalmody, by Oliver Bronson, Simsbury, Conn. Printed and sold by the author at his house, 1783."

EAST DONEGAL DOWNS MOUNT JOY NINE, 5-2

Table with columns: Teams, Won, Lost, Pct. Lists teams like East Donegal, Mt. Joy, Elizabethtown, East Hempfield, Marietta.

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LOCAL NINE DEFEATS EAST HEMPFIELD

Table with columns: Teams, Won, Lost, Pct. Lists teams like E. Hempfield H. S., Charles ss, Brandt 2b, Nissley 3b, Haver'k p, Henry rf, Kauff'n c, Murray lf, Dornaw' cf, Derr 1b, Snavely cf, Hostetter p.

OUR LOCAL TENNIS TEAM MEANS BUSINESS

When the Lancaster County High School league opened last Tuesday, Mount Joy High will be trying for its eight consecutive title, having dominated the league ever since it started. The first team ever to be entered in the league was coached by Wilbur I. Beahn. Since then W. G. Diffenderfer guided several teams to the title. Now a new coach is again at the helm. He is H. H. Herr of Anville, who has come to Mount Joy to fill Diffenderfer's place.

Table with columns: Year, Won, Lost. Lists years from 1939 to 1940 with corresponding wins and losses.

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