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THE EDITOR'S VOICE

Elliott Roosevelt, the late president's son, at an investigation, said that his indebtedness at one time was between \$300,000 and \$500,000 and that his net wealth was "zero". That's certainly doing business on a shoestring flyer.

WHY NOT HERE?

At Manheim the Remembrance committee of the Defense Council, held its fourth annual carnival which was a decided success. In that manner they are raising money for a worthy cause without any hardships on the citizens. That might be a mighty good idea for other towns, particularly Mt. Joy.

HERE'S HOW

Milton S. Hershey, the chocolate king, who built a home-made candy shop into a \$60,000,000 fortune, celebrated his 88th birthday last week. To think that at one time he conducted a candy manufacturing plant in the building now occupied as a silk mill by Geo. Brown Sons, in our borough.

He claims the secret of his success is "Late to bed and late to rise," and he has proven his assertion.

ABOUT OPOSSUMS

We notice where a mother Opossum gave birth to a family of fifteen on the street in Cleveland. Comparatively few of you folks know that an opossum is born, it attaches itself to one of the "buttons on mother's vest" and continues nursing until such time that it is old enough to eat solid food. Of course no opossum ever reared a family larger than the number of its "buttons" and the excess births always die.

It seems a downright shame that a city of 50,000 population permit about two hundred trolley and bus employees to put its people and the general public to such great inconvenience by refusing to work without a just cause. Why don't the Conestoga Transportation Company replace them?

Quite a number of them have applied for relief and some have taken other jobs.

Is it possible that in case they do not return to their jobs that the Transportation Co. will sell its equipment and go out of business?

GOVERNMENT INSURANCE

Insurance for men in service was sold to them by the government without much need of salesmanship, for the danger to come made insurance a necessity. Normally, one has to be 'sold' on it. A late figure states that 80 per cent of the men leaving the service are letting their policies lapse. Perhaps the government should "sell" their product, too. Aware of the unusually low rate for the type of policy, its coverage, the man invested in a private company can attest to its merits at a low cost. If at all possible to hold on, the veteran should keep up his payments on this insurance, as one of the few assets of service. Ask any old-time policy holder of government insurance his opinion and his advice will be that the discharged soldier will be glad he has it some day.

CAT'S OUT OF THE BAG

The public has finally learned one of the causes of so much unrest, dissatisfaction by union wage increases.

R. J. Thomas, president of the CIO said: The late President Roosevelt promised if labor "went along for the duration of hostilities in Europe with the Little Steel wage formula freeze", he would "see to it" that hourly wage rates would be increased in the reconversion period.

The late president also promised, he added, that this increase would "make up for" the 29 percent reduction in "take-home" pay" resulting from shorter work weeks.

COUNTY FAIRS

September and October brings the annual big event or the enjoyment, relaxation and education of its followers. The effect of the

lifting of gas rationing will undoubtedly have a marked difference in the crowds attending. Always anxious to attend, more will plan to keep their yearly date at the fairs. The programs staged for entertainment, the exhibitions of skill, ingenuity, industry and labor, will continue to captivate our interest. Counties take pride in livestock, poultry farm and home produce. The 4-H Club projects are always worth the trip. With horse racing and the usual side shows, Fair Week appeals to all as a time for reunions and of generally appreciating the American way of life.

WHAT A JAMBOREE!

There are today 213,000 idle men in the United States; all the Ford plants in the nation were closed and 50,000 men sent home due to inconvenience from a strike at one plant; the United Steel Workers want \$2.00 a day increase in pay and President Fairless says its impossible unless there is a price boost on all steel products; 400,000 AFL railroad workers want a 36 hour week; etc. etc.

If that doesn't keep President Truman and his advisers at Washington busy you can have my discarded straw hat.

EVERYONE LOVES THE FARMER BUT THE ACID IS COMING

".....The farmer is going to demand an even break in tariff legislation, on the basis 'if tariff for one, then tariff for all.' That means insistence that in all reciprocal trade treaties the industry of agriculture shall not be made the goat to the advantage of other sides of our economic structure. He is going to demand extension of rural electrification to his home, to his barns and to his village; more radios and refrigerators and other home conveniences; better roads, especially from door to market; better teachers because better paid teachers, with proper attention to school buildings, sanitary conditions and the like. He will insist that his sons and daughters have the same access to high school facilities in the public school system as their cousin in the town and city.

He is going to demand a larger share of the consumer's dollar, especially if he is engaged in the dairy industry, whose product is so vital to national welfare and health.

He is going to insist upon better telephone service and wider radio coverage in sections of the U. S. where these are not now available.

He is going to insist upon protection for his home, his business and his locality, which the extension of the rural police force makes possible. He is going to demand the end of some of the rackets which prevail in cities, such as the extortionist methods of unionized truck drivers which have become almost unbearable in the marketing of his products. He is going to demand representation on boards and commissions, especially those which disburse public funds.

He is going to insist that if ceilings are placed on the products he has to sell, above which he cannot raise prices, then there must be floors beneath with minimum prices, lessening the danger of his being squeezed to death, as so often has happened. He is going to insist upon the right to extend cooperative activities, with no interference with his right to combine with fellow farmer in assuring a square deal for agriculture in competition with other organized groups. In short, he is going to insist upon such rural environment and such privileges of farm and home as will not only bring him reasonable satisfaction in his toil, but will insure for his sons and daughters, so soon to take the reins, an equality of opportunity and reward for the industry to which they devote their lives.

Genuine love is best proven by the test of service, and the food consumers of America will have plenty of chance in the immediate years to prove by their sympathetic interest and practical cooperation just how deep-seated their love for the farmer really is.

HAPPENINGS - of - LONG AGO

30 Years Ago

Winfield Espenshade, Florin, severed three fingers on the right hand, while operating a circular saw.

Miss May Flowers opened a Kindergarten at her home on Marietta Street.

Our Public Schools opened with an enrollment of 404 pupils.

The bungalow of Mr. Horace Cox, Florin is nearing completion.

Jacob Brown, purchased the Wm. Weidman property at Florin.

H. H. Engle bought the Henerietta Gish dwelling.

Thomas McKinley has purchased the Florin hotel and equipment, from Patrick Duffy.

Markets: Lard, 12 1-2 cents, potatoes, 35 cents; butter, 26 cents, Eggs, 25 cents.

Wm. D. Easton, Marietta St. grocer, had a big reduction sale in groceries.

Martin Longenecker, hotelman at Lawn the past 18 years, has retired.

Dairymen B. F. Kauffman, moved into his West Main St. property he recently purchased.

A broom corn stalk measuring 16 ft., 7 inches was grown at E-town.

No death has occurred in the village of Milton Grove since July of 1913.

Jacob W. Shrite is slated for county commissioner on the democratic ticket.

Henry Omen, on the Hoffman Hershey farm, while hanging tobacco was injured when he lost his balance and fell.

18-months-old daughter of Jacob Lindemuth's was badly scalded when she pulled the coffee pot off the stove.

F & M Academy foot-ball team will oppose the Mt. Joy team here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shank of Rheems, have moved the household effects to Middletown.

John Shreiner sold the Horace W. Bemenderfer farm near Elm for \$75.00 an acre.

Fred Bucher has resumed his studies at State College.

Rev. I. H. Kern, pastor of the Lutheran Church was presented with a fine parlor clock by the Men's League.

Mrs. Mary Greenawalt, only living charter member of St. Mark's U. B. Church celebrated her 78th birthday.

20 Years Ago

An E. Donegal farmer lost a cow, after several days the animal was discovered in a well.

Mrs. Simon Menough, purchased a property at Lancaster.

Fred Diefenderfer has enrolled in Rensselaer School, at Troy, N. Y.

Mrs. Milton Fuhrman, E. Donegal, had a sunflower measuring 18 inches and weighed 7 1-4 pounds.

Chas. J. Bennett sold his farm to Bowman & Co., Lancaster.

Messrs. Geo. Zeller and John Murphy, received the Republican Nomination for council at the Primary.

Heisey Bros. truck delivering 5-ton of crushed stone broke through the bridge near Deodote.

The new road built between Marietta and Chickies, made travel more convenient.

An auto ran into the green grocery stand at John Gantz's on Fairview Street.

El: H. Engle was knocked down by an auto, sustaining slight bruises.

Andrew W. Heisey on the Green Tree farm, harvested four acres of sweet corn, yielding 22 tons.

Jacob Ginder of Rheems sold his 6 acre farm to Menno Risser.

C. S. Longenecker purchased the Annie E. Snyder property on North Barbara Street.

The modern Home Construction Co., broke ground for a bungalow, opposite the P. R. R. Station at Florin.

Miss Helen Stoll is teaching school at Glenolden this Fall.

Miss Esther Garber left for Oberlin College, Ohio.

A New Holland farmer is the champion lima bean grower of the county. He picked 120 pints off 240 hills.

Markets: Eggs, 33-37 cents; Butter, 35 cents, and lard 20 cents.

5,055 machines over the Columbia bridge in 18 hrs. on Labor Day.

Marietta Boro Council decided to arrest any person, not a fireman, who gets on the apparatus.

Two Columbia residents killed three ground-hogs that weighed 31 lbs.

The Boro of Denver was 25 years old this week.

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Clayton Witmer, Town, (From page 1)

from \$25.00 to \$50.00, and that the Rotary club would entertain the Lion's Club, on the evening of Oct. 23rd. It was also decided to hold a noon table meeting every Tuesday night that the meeting would fall in the evening. This would give all the members not able to attend the evening meeting a chance to keep up their attendance.

Sam Dock, reporting for the clam bake committee, stated that six members who attended the bake, paid for clams, but received only chicken, and are therefore entitled to a 75 cent refund. If you are one of these members, contact Sam for your refund. However it must be done not later than next Tuesday's meeting, or the surplus money will go into the oaken bucket.

The speaker for the day was Elmer Witmer, a native of town, who has spent three years in the Hawaiian Islands, as a civilian worker. Mr. Witmer began his talk with his experiences from the time he left Middletown, until at Pearl Harbor, 11 days of which were spent on the ocean. On the boat Mr. Witmer stated that living conditions were no good, and neither was the food, Mr. Witmer stated that they were compelled to live in their life jackets, which made eating and sleeping difficult. He stated that when he landed at Pearl Harbor, there was a seven o'clock blackout and a ten o'clock curfew, both which were rigidly enforced. Any violations of the black-out rules, the fine for the first two offenses were \$5.00 each and the third offense was a jail sentence. Mr. Witmer stated that although about 45 percent of the population is Japanese, no acts of sabotage were reported and unlike the Pacific coast where all Japanese were interned, only those showing anti-American acts were interned.

On his arrival at Pearl Harbor, Mr. Witmer stated that practically all visible damage to that harbor and the air fields had been repaired although they were still lifting sunken ships from the harbor several years after the attack. Because of this, Mr. Witmer said that the death toll would go higher due to the fact that bodies were recovered from these ships. After the attack on Pearl Harbor, large underground store houses for oil and ammunition were built, and were connected to Pearl Harbor by a maze of tunnels.

The bombing of Pearl Harbor, said Mr. Witmer, was done by "dual citizens", Japanese who came to Hawaii, studied in American schools, studied our habits and customs, as well as the military and naval installations of the islands. When they returned on December 7th they were well schooled on the locations of everything, and this accounts for all the damage done on this sneak raid.

Mr. Witmer then spoke on the life of the islands saying that the principal crops are pineapples and sugar with very little farming. Although there is big business, transportation, communications and modern stores, practically all are controlled by the "Big Five", as they are known, which consists of five of the big influential families of Hawaii.

The religion on the island is Protestant, Catholic, Budist and Pagan, and practically every nationality may be found living there.

This was a very interesting talk and after Mr. Witmer had finished he opened the meeting for questions, and obliged the members by answering all their inquiries. The Rotary Club was glad to welcome Mr. Witmer as their speaker.

Our Local Draft Board (From Page 1)

ly to enter the service. He worked at the Brown Textile Mill, here. Other brothers in the service are Eugene and Oliver in the Army and Frank Funk in the Navy.

Amos Sipling Weidman, eighteen, Manheim, another selectee, has two brothers in uniform, Ray, just back from overseas, and Robert Weidman. Amos was employed by the Manheim Beltng Co.

Two brothers of Henry Franklin Weidman, 18, Bainbridge RI, another member of the group, have been discharged. Charles F. Weidman, Jr., is a New Guinea veteran and Paul N. Weidman, Jr., also is an Army veteran.

Other members of the group: Eli Charles Frick, 19, Mt. Joy, worked for Bachman Chocolate Co.; Aldus Brandt Kresdy, 18, Manheim, farm worker; Robert Lee Hassinger, 18, Elizabethtown, chauffeur at Hershey Hotel.

Eli Lewis Dohner, 18, Elizabethtown RI, Rheems truck driver; Robert Coble Farmer, 24, Elizabethtown RI, father of one child, worked

IRONVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Berntheizel were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bender of Landisville. On Tuesday evening at 7:45, the Rev. and Mrs. R. V. Mays will entertain the members of the Ironville Christian Endeavor Society at their home.

Melvin VonStetten, U. S. Navy, is enjoying a furlough with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Melvin VonStetten, Jr. and will leave on Wednesday to report for duty on the Pacific coast.

Miss Patricia Reynolds, of Cochranville, were week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Forno.

The following members of the Ironville Fire Co., attended a demonstration of a La France fire engine at Media, Penna., Pres. Earl C. Albright, Secretary, Jonas Eby; Harry Albright, Cleon Staley, Harry Musser, Paul Metzger, Chester Ammon, LeRoy Mellinger, Benj. Haverstick, Benj. Weaver, Roy Forno, Glenn Kauffman, Howard Habecker, Wilbur Albright and Harry Grider.

The following officers were elected in the Ironville U. B. S. S. for the coming conference year: Supt. Luther Ulrich, and secretary, Drew Mummaw, both are in the service. Acting superintendent, Glenn Kauffman, Ass't. Supt. John Fox, acting secretary, Alvin Mummaw; Ass't. is Wilbur Rettew; Treasurer, Paul Metzger; Pianist, Janet Stair, and Lois Young; Librarians, Ruth VonStetten, Betty Garber, assistants, Dorothy Kemmick, Marie Grider; Chorister, Hazel DeTambel; Ass't. Ruth Staley; Missionary Supt. Lydia Staley; Ass't. Mary Young; Cradle Roll Supt., Sarah Jane

Mummaw; Ass't. Anna Freeland; Home Dept. Supt., Jacob Kaufman, and Ass't. George Rost; Primary Sec. Jenn Albright; Ass't. Nancy Mummaw; Primary pianist, Mildred Siegrist; Primary Librarians, Mildred Mummaw, Anna D. Seigrist; Ass't., Shirley VonStetten and Jean Kemmick.

The Women's Bible Class elected the following officers: President, Lydia Staley; Secretary, Laura Kauffman; Treasurer, Linnie Berntheizel; Teacher, Jennie Forno.

Ruth Albright, entertained her class of young girls with a hike to Indian Head, where they enjoyed an out door lunch.

On Sunday the Ironville U. B. S. S. will hold their annual rally day service. Luther Ulrich will teach the Sunday School lesson. Special music by Sara Anna Etzweiler, and the address will be delivered by Rev. T. Brady, pastor of the first English Lutheran Church of Columbia. A special effort will be made to have 100 per cent attendance in each Sunday school class. The committee consists of Jean Stair, Hazel DeTambel, Erma Forno.

Mrs. Virgie Musser, Miriam Musser and Albert Kleiner are on the sick list. Cpl. Ray Mummaw, accompanied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mummaw, motored to Philadelphia, to see a buddy of Ray's who was in service with him in the Pacific. Ray will stay at the Navy Yard for future orders.

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