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## EDITORIAL

Now please remember: The bigger the Summer vacation, the harder the Fall. Try and spend it just inside your income.

It appears fashions return and from the break of bathing suits advertised today. Eye is back in style again. Even those strapless sun-dresses are mighty pretty if the woman can stay in them.

**HITCH-HIKERS**  
Everytime you see a guy along the highway "thumbing", unless you really know him, you're smart if you pass and don't even notice him. Give a fellow a free ride and you have an unavoidable accident, he is injured and you are to blame.

Roy V. Runk, forty, of East Berlin, York County, was kind to a hitch-hiker, who, after riding several miles, pulled a gun. took \$26 from Runk and his car. It's about time motorists get tough.

**GOOD NEIGHBORS**  
The profit and credit citizens can mark for their town can be required by effort and energy in the spring. Cleaning, painting, repairing to keep neighborhoods tidy, is a profit and a credit. Removing refuse will reduce fire hazards as well as make more attractive living quarters. Most of them desire their homes and their grounds free of rubbish. Civic-mindedness results in building the reputation of a town. Its neighborhoods are what give a town its name for pleasant living. The careless, shiftless conditions express the art of folks who dwell therein. Neat dwellings point to stronger characters. Lawns, gardens, and flower beds are being worked on now and the result of such activity will soon be evident. Trimming bushes, repairing fences, painting lawn furniture, is a citizen's tribute to his neighbors.

**ONE MAN'S WAY**  
It may be one way of filling the pews. A pastor of a church in a Pennsylvania town, a young man of 24 years of age, donned a red masquerade costume to play a role of Satan. To build up the attendance at Sunday night services, he carried placards and then passed out pamphlets to recapture the wanderers and keep them from "going to the devil". He used other schemes to boost church attendance. The first was in hiring a plane and dropping 10,000 leaflets on the community, to get folks to Sunday morning services. Churches here have room to accommodate larger crowds on the Sabbath. Pastors would be pretty pleased to see those who have strayed from the flock, return to the fold, but we doubt if any of them plan to play the role of Satan or hire planes in order to leave to achieve this.

**WHOSE FAULT**  
We spend money to protect ourselves from disease, to keep all the streets from being polluted, and to maintain fire departments for the sake of life and property. What about the danger to self from parole boards and parole systems that permit discharging of all criminals who repeat crimes? J. Edgar Hoover writes of the effect of loose parole systems and the automatic discharge systems. The FBI has a list of 14,000 men which it acknowledges as public enemies, all under conviction for crime. Of these paroled on this list, 78 percent have later been arrested for other crimes. Today there are, at large, sought by police, 10,000 parole violators. We can place blame on careless or "bought" parole boards, but most of it can be placed where, in order to reduce taxes, we don't spend enough money to finance prisons, appropriate blame on careless or "bought" give the best service. Protect against disease, polluted waterways and fire and accident, but save money and not protect ourselves from criminals?

## LIKE A SEARCHLIGHT AT NIGHT

If you have an automobile which is running well and providing excellent service, you don't take it apart and monkey with its innards. Yet many current legislative proposals, on both the national and state levels, involve tinkering with the basic cogs in an economic machine which has given better service to more people than any other that man has managed to devise since history began.

Sometimes this tinkering is very obvious—as in the drives to bring back price controls, rationing, allocations, and other such devices to be giving the bureaucrats control over the production and distribution of goods and services. At other times the tinkering is indirect—as in projected changes in a tax law and tax principles which would make it increasingly difficult for business to operate and to expand. In either case, we are borrowing alien schemes which when tried elsewhere, have universally produced scarcity and also want among the masses of people.

The American economic machine goes by various names—free enterprise, the competitive system, and so on. Regardless of the label, the fundamentals are simple. Everything produced and sold, whether it be a pound of meat or a suit of clothes, moves in a market which is controlled by one natural law—supply and demand. The manufacturer who produces a suit and the preacher who distributes the meat to consuming centers must do everything humanly possible to give the buyer what he wants and at a price he is willing to pay. And he must do it in the face of tough competitors who are out to get more and more business for themselves.

Aside from all the theories of economics, one fact stands out like a searchlight in the night—this system of ours gave America its unrivaled standard of living.

**SPEAK OF CULTURE**  
One hears much about communities needing more culture. By culture, we do not mean the part concerned with good breeding as we mean the appreciation of the arts and sciences, which many believe are the ear marks of culture. Many small and medium-sized towns have auditoriums where they offer lecture and concert series. Some communities sponsor art exhibits and also dramatics. Whatever the size, a civic minded group in a town, can build a fuller life for the residents by offering such cultural advantages. It takes money to do many of these things, especially when outside talent is engaged, but we might have within our own town and its neighboring territory enough of people interested, willing and able to, say form a musical association, a string ensemble, a village symphony. Little theatre groups are flourishing all over and their efforts are appreciated by those interested in seeing stage plays as a relief from movies. There is a certain amount of ability in every town and to further it leads to enjoyment and appreciation for all concerned. Needlework, painting, leather work, wood craft, knitting, crocheting, composition in letters, poetry and so forth, would draw interest to exhibits, from the whole county. Such seeds of achievement sown now might bring a rich crop later on to towns like Mt. Joy.

**IT'S A GREAT SHOW**  
With the thrill of the returning robins wearing off, the sight of the first crocus dimmed, weather and plowing discussed to death, time of tulips, jonquils and hyacinths passing, pussywillows and spirea winding up their show, come the billboard poster to hint of future joy and excitement and of conversation. It is the approach of the circus, elephants, spangles, sawdust and peanuts, that thrills the six to sixty in years, the circus that comes out of hibernation each spring to awaken memories in the elder hearts and widen the eyes of the very young. The colorful display, the trained animals, the wild west shows, the clowns and acrobats, the bands and ice cream candy, make a circus something to really cheer about. It has been greatly modernized and streamlined from the days when many oldsters saw their first circus. Motorized, it does away with the big heavy red wagons drawn by sleek Percherons. Maybe though they still have little boys carry water to the elephants and get the free tickets to the "big show". We don't want to lose all of the nostalgic features of yesterday's

## HAPPENINGS — of — LONG AGO

### 20 Years Ago

L. Percy Heilig purchased the Paul Evans property West Donegal Street, at private sale.

Miss Esther Garber will open a studio for piano and pipe organ.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Brown, Sr., Market St., celebrated their 50th anniversary.

Mr. Jacob Boyer will erect a fine and modern dwelling on the lot opposite the Florin Hall.

A poem written by Miss Rebecca Helman was published in the Phila. Evening Bulletin.

The Booster Club held Ladies night at Murrell's Inn Ephrata.

Rheems Fire Company installed a modern fire siren on their new building.

Mt. Joy Borough Board of Health, quarantined 22 cases of the measles.

Mrs. Edna Beamesderfer, Manheim and Miss Eleonore Sterling of Wilmington, Del., were appointed teachers in the grade schools.

5th and 6th Grades, presented the Operetta "Goldilock's Adventures" in the auditorium.

Legion Auxiliary netted \$60 in profit at their baked ham supper.

Forty-one children were inoculated at the Baby Clinic, many being present from the Florin Grade School.

A number of the student's papers of our Junior High School were accepted for the Palmer Honor medals.

Three men were arrested in Lebanon after trying to dispose of four radios stolen at L. F. McElroy's dealer at Florin.

Markets: Eggs, 24 - 26; Butter - 40; Lard 12.

Mt. Joy Rotary Club planned to hold Ladies Night at the Oaklyn Tea House near E-town.

8th grade promotion of the Florin school will be held in the Florin Hall.

An Akron motorist went thru the two red lights on Main Street, and later collided with a car that was driven by Frank Hershey, of town.

## NEWTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wittle of Columbia, Mr. Harry Hamilton of E-town, Mr. and Mrs. Ragner Halgren of Mt. Joy and Mr. Charles Wittle Marietta visited Mr. and Mrs. Wittle on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geltmacher spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Steppard of Lancaster RD. and spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Stoppard of Mt. Joy RD.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Fogie, Mrs. Gladys Young, Mrs. Roy Gephart Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Swords, all of Mt. Joy, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Hippler of Lancaster RD and Mrs. Martha Orlo and daughter Antionette of Philadelphia visited Mr. and Mrs. George Schoelkopf on Sunday.

Mrs. Lillian Witmer held an Easter dinner for her family on Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Witmer and children Jack and Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Witmer and son Howard Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Witmer and son Ronald of Lancaster RD.

Mr. Amos Witmer was Sunday dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Myers of Kinderhook.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Laura Weaver.

Miss Susanne and Arly Watt of Mt. Joy visited Mrs. Matilda Derr on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mumma and Mrs. Ray Myers of Mt. Joy visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Moore on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Salem Gamber and children of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gamber of Manheim visited Mr. and Mrs. Abram Gamber on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Haines and son Robert visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rollman of Lititz on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Geltmacher visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Keith and family of Brunnersville on Sunday.

Everybody reads newspapers but NOT everybody reads circular advertising left on their door step.

greatest show on earth. The merging of the small circuses into the larger ones means we don't have as many traveling our way as in the old days, but those who do come will be that much more appreciated and welcome when they finally reach us - the young in heart.

## Coming Events

### BAKED HAM SUPPER

The Ladies Bible Classes of the Church of God, Landisville, Pa. will serve a Baked Ham Supper Saturday, April 23rd, at the Landisville Fire Hall from 4 to 8 p. m.

### Rummage Sale

Friday and Saturday, April 29, and 30, the Ladies' Bible Class of the Trinity Lutheran Church will hold a Rummage sale at the Parish House.

Friday open from 1 to 9 p. m. — Saturday open at 10:00 a. m.

### Food Sale May 6

Girl Scout Troop No. 96 will have a food sale at the Market House on Friday evening, May 6th beginning at 6 p. m.

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Take a good look at your next telephone bill, and you will see that Federal taxes make up an important percentage of your bill! Federal tax on local service is 15%. On long distance service where the charge is 25c or over, the tax is 25%. Other forms of telephone service are taxed from 8 to 25%.

This tax is imposed directly upon you as a telephone user. Your telephone company, at its own expense, acts as tax collector.

Telephone service today is usually regarded as a necessity. Yet the 25% tax on long distance and other services is higher than the 20% for luxury items, such as jewelry and furs.

Telephone users everywhere have expressed their opinions on this high excise tax to their Senators and Representatives in Congress. Their views will help to guide future Congressional action on this unusual peacetime tax on a necessity. We are sure that your Congressmen would appreciate your views as a taxpayer and citizen on telephone taxes.

These excise taxes levied directly upon you as a user are in addition to the corporation income taxes which the company pays to the government. These taxes must be included in the company's cost of business and must, therefore, act to increase your telephone bill as a sort of hidden sales tax.

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