

## If You Smell Chlorine In The Water, Don't Get Excited, Just Let It Stand

### 90% Of Water Pipes Are Underground And In Service

If you smell chlorine in the water, don't get excited, all you need to do is let the water stand in an open vessel for a short time and the odor will disappear, stated Sam Miller, President of the Borough Water Authority, today. The chlorine will be more noticeable than before the improvement as the water was pumped directly in an open reservoir where most of the chlorine evaporated before entering the water pipes in the borough, while today, most of the water reaches town via the new creek route.

The main object of the Authority of the Mount Joy Water Improvement program, said Mr. Miller, is to improve the present system and make it modern and efficient in every way with the least outlay of money. Before the work was started, many hours were spent by those in charge, with the consultant engineer, Mr. Joseph Michels, of Dallastown.

At the present time about ninety percent of the pipes are underground, and in service. All fire plugs are in with the exception of new plugs at the corner of Marietta and New Haven streets and on Pinkerton Road at the corner of the new Standard Corp.

#### Sizes of Pipes And Their Purpose

Before the improvement one 8 ft. pipe ran from the pumping (Turn to page 3)

## Complete Tests On Ginder Cows

Brattleboro, Vt. — Several registered Holstein-Friesian cows in the herd of Joseph A. Hook & Herman Ginder, Jr., Mount Joy, Pa., have completed official production tests under the Herd Department Registry rules.

Testing was supervised by Pennsylvania State College, in cooperation with the Holstein-Friesian Association of America. Highest producer among these was Cornell Lochdeen Superb with 549 pounds of butterfat and 16,528 pounds milk, produced on 2 milkings daily in 365 days at the age of 2 years 7 months. Her record averages approximately 21 quarts milk daily for the period covered by her test.

Another high producer was RMF Spitfire Kate with 525 pounds of butterfat and 15,772 pounds of milk, produced on 2 milkings daily in 365 days at the age of 5 years 5 months. Her record averages approximately 20 quarts of milk daily for the period covered by her test.

## Will Round Out 26 Years As Peace Officer Feb., 1st

February 1, 1953 will mark another milestone in the life of Elmer L. Zerphey, deputy Sheriff and president of Mount Joy Borough Council. On that date, Mr. Zerphey will round out 26 years of his life serving as a peace officer.

The first day of February, 1927 was the beginning of Deputy Sheriff Zerphey's career as a peace officer. On that date he was elected constable for Mount Joy and in November of the same year was appointed Chief of Police, serving in that capacity until the first Monday in January, 1948, when he was appointed deputy sheriff under the present regime of Sheriff A. W. Lane.

In March, 1949, Zerphey was

## Snowshoe Rabbit Season To Start January 1st

For a number of years, the snowshoe rabbit (varying hare) season has extended from Xmas Day through New Year's Day. This time it runs from January 1st, 1953, to January 10th, inclusive. The Game Commission believed the latter period would be more desirable and more seasonal for hare hunting. The gunning hours, every day of season are 7 a. m. to 5 p. m. The daily limit in snowshoes is again two, the season limit six.

For the most part, the mountainous northern counties are the home territory of Pennsylvania's snowshoe rabbits. In the absence of snow these white coated animals stand out in sharp contrast to the dark background, and short-legged hounds pursue the wide-circling "rabbits" more easily. It is under such conditions that comparatively large kills are made. In deep snow the situation is quite different. Only long-legged hounds are effective then, and hunters need sharp eyes to detect the ghostlike hares, whose dusky ears and brown eyes provide the only contrasts to the white background.

There are still enough snowshoe rabbits in areas of the state to provide this special winter sport for hunters. However, a too-abundant deer herd over many years has drastically reduced the snowshoe population. Deer have, to a great extent, destroyed the food and cover so essential to the varying hare's prosperity.

## Young Farmer Group Plans 4-Day Meeting

The longest series of meetings scheduled by any agricultural group at the Pennsylvania Farm Show during the week of January 12-16 is the four-day program arranged by the Pennsylvania young Farmers Association.

Roy W. Schlosser, Springboro Crawford county, is president of the organization.

Young Farmer Association sessions start Tuesday afternoon January 13, in the Forum of the Education Building with a meeting of the executive committee where delegates from local and county associations will be invited to participate in discussions. Committee appointments and nominations of officers are included in the Wednesday sessions and those on Thursday will be business meetings and the series closes with a meeting of the executive committee on Friday morning, last day of the Farm Show.

appointed Chief Burgess of Mt. Joy to fill the unexpired term of Thomas J. B. Brown, who had resigned. He was re-elected to this office in 1949, serving two years but resigned in March 1, 1951.

Zerphey served as a special deputy sheriff from January 1932, until appointed to a full time deputy by Sheriff Lane. On January 1952, he was appointed to the Mt. Joy Borough Council to fill the unexpired term of Clayton Newcomer, who resigned, and has been serving as president of that body of men.

Deputy Sheriff Zerphey and Mrs. Zerphey reside at the Miller apartments, on West Main Street, Mount Joy.



Happy New Year  
May the New Year bring you every promise of good health and happiness... and leave you with each promise richly fulfilled.  
May each day unfold new opportunities for warm friendship and solid achievement... and each month be a milestone in your steady forward march to better things.  
May 1953 prove one of the brightest pages in your memory book... because of what it did for you... your loved ones... your country... your world!

## Believe It Or Not, It Is As Simple As Your ABC's States Mr. Sam Miller

### Narrow Escape When Car Drops 15 Ft. Into Creek

A Mount Joy R. D. man escaped serious injury when his car plunged through a guard rail and dropped 15 feet into a creek when he fell asleep at the wheel of his car.

Allen R. Fisher, age 20, of Mount Joy R2, driving home from Manheim about 5:30 a. m. Friday morning fell asleep at the wheel of his car and hit the guard rails, knocking over four rails and dropping down a 15-foot embankment into the Chiques creek landing on its top. Fisher was thrown from his car into the creek. A passing motorist found him and rushed him to the St. Joseph's hospital in Lancaster.

The accident occurred just east of town on the Harrisburg road near the bridge.

State police investigated the accident reported Fisher suffered lacerations of the middle finger, brush burns and a cut forehead. The car, a 1952 Ford sedan was demolished.

### Fourth Offender Jailed Ten Days

Chief of Police Parke Neiss reported two automobile violations, one for driving without a license and one for reckless driving.

Jay Groff, Manheim R4, was arrested December 23rd for driving without a license. At an immediate hearing held before Squire Brown, he was committed to jail for 10 days in default of \$50 fine. This was Groff's fourth offense for driving without a license.

Raymond T. Cunningham, of Elizabethtown was arrested on December 23rd by Chief Neiss on a reckless driving charge. A hearing was held before Squire Brown and he was fined \$10 and costs.

### A Family Re-union On Christmas Day

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Ropka, Donegal Springs Road, this borough, had a family gathering on Christmas Day. Their two daughters and families and son Lawrence, who is with the U. S. N. Air Force, were home. They are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Trivet, Tacoma Park, Maryland; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dunbar and children, Gayle and Barbie-Jo.

The son, A-3 Lawrence Ropka arrived home by plane Wednesday from Sampson Air Force Base, Geneva, New York.

**Son Transferred**  
He is being transferred from Sampson to Ellington Air Base, Texas and is home on leave until January 6th when he begins classes as an Aviation Cadet at Ellington.

### \$394 Collected In Parking Meters For The Last Two Weeks

The parking meters are hitting an all time high. It was reported that for the last two weeks the parking public paid a total of \$394.00.

### Fire Co. Meeting Postponed To Jan. 8

Due to New Year's falling on the regular meeting night of the Friendship Fire Co. No. 1, this borough, the meeting will be postponed to Thursday, January 8, at 7:30 p. m.

Do you want to know why you had to shovel more coal on the fire today than you did yesterday, or why that one day last summer was hotter than the other days, To know all this there are only a few simple and workable rules than anyone can learn, stated Sam Miller, local weather prognosticator.

All you have to do is remember that the sun rules during the day time and the moon at night—when the sun is high north in the summertime its the warmest and when it is low south in the winter time, that's the time to shovel more coal in the furnace. 365 1/4 days is a sun cycle, and it is as simple as ABC stated Miller. The moon, same as the sun when high north, reflects the most heat and when low reflects the least amount of heat which may seem simple to everyone, but, says Miller, there is a joker to this, if the moon is high north and is as full as it will be on December 30, 1952 and if other planets do not interfere, we can expect warmer weather than normal for a few days. If the moon is low south and full, we can again expect above normal weather for the day time but it will be cooler at night.

When the moon is at low south and a new moon, that's when you get out the extra blankets for your bed for it will be cold at night for a week or ten days. But, don't rush for those blankets because this moon temperature will only come to pass provided no other planets interfere during these days with the moon or other planets. It's as simple as that, stated Mr. Miller. Now, remember this, when the moon is above the Equator and in Perigee at that time, the moon has the strongest effect on the weather.

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## To Welcome New Mt. Joy Residents

WELCOME TO MOUNT JOY, a project of the local Joy-Cees (women of the Junior Chamber of Commerce), will go into operation January 1 as "Mount Joy's new year's resolution to new citizens moving into the borough of Mount Joy."

If you have just moved into Mount Joy, you probably don't know where to find things, where to shop and you have questions about your new home, you feel slightly lost. But, from now on, you'll be officially greeted by the members of the local Joy-Cees. You'll have a chance to ask those questions and you'll find that you've got some friends in this new town!

WELCOME TO MOUNT JOY is the first big project of the newly organized Joy-Cees and had been started for a three-fold (From page 2)

### HOLLY AND PANSIES

There is something unusual happening on Main street in Mt. Joy—right under your very nose—but, we're wondering how many know it!

It's hard to believe anyway—not in dead-winter, freezing weather, Christmas decorations, etc., does one expect to see happenings like this. Curious? Well, for two weeks, or more, under the pine tree in Rev. Ranck's front yard is a pansy plant still blooming. Today there are two flowers in full bloom defying the winter weather.

It was first seen on the day on which the town's Christmas decorations went up. Remember how bitter cold it was? We thought it was Easter instead of Christmas. The Birth of Christ and the Resurrection! Those little pansies fit in the picture as much as the holly and mistletoe do.

## Winter Hazards Lie Ahead, Says Chief Parke Neiss

"Let's face it," Chief of police Park Neiss warned Mount Joy motorists today. "Old man winter's worst weather is just around the proverbial corner."

The chief pointed out it still is not too late to prepare for the winter driving hazards that lie ahead and listed six rules for motorists to follow.

The rules are the result of extensive tests conducted during the past 12 years by the Committee on Winter Hazards of the National Safety Council. The Committee has tested performance of passenger cars on all types of winter roads. Its recommendations are:

1. Get the "feel" of the road. Try your brakes occasionally, while driving slowly and away from other traffic, to find out just how slick the road is.
2. Slow down. Adjust your speed to road and weather conditions so you can stop or maneuver safely.
3. Keep windshield clear of snow and ice, fog and frost.
4. Pump your brakes to slow down or stop on slippery surfaces. Jamming the brakes can lock the wheels and throw your car into a dangerous skid.
5. Follow at a safe distance. Keep well back of the car ahead and give yourself room to stop.
6. Use tire chains on snow and ice.

Chief Neiss explained that reinforced type chains enable a car at 20 miles per hour to stop in about 77 feet on glare ice in 40 feet on hard packed snow. At the same speed, "winterized" tires take about 188 feet to stop on glare ice and about 60 feet to stop on hard packed snow, according to National Safety Council tests, he said.

## Carpenter, Inc. Entertains Employees

The Henry G. Carpenter Ins. Company, this borough, held their annual Christmas banquet for their employees on Friday at Bennett's Restaurant. Thirty-two were present to enjoy the turkey dinner, including Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Carpenter and Mrs. Anna J. Gaffin of Philadelphia, who is spending the holidays here with the Carpenters.

## March of Dimes To Start Jan. 29

The Annual Mothers' March On Polio will be conducted on Thursday evening, January 29, 1953 all over the United States and the Lancaster County Chapter For Infantile Paralysis is this year co-operating with this national project.

The Mothers' March On Polio is a dramatic one-hour porch-light canvass, conducted as a climax to the Annual March of Dimes. It is held at the very end of the campaign as a wind-up. It will be held in Lancaster in all the villages and boroughs and districts of the county.

In Mount Joy, the March on Polio is to be staged Thursday, January 29, between the hours of 7 and 8, as the wind-up event of the 1953 March of Dimes, it was announced today by Christian Rudy, County director of the annual fund-raising appeal for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. If there are any Mothers or other interested people in Mt. Joy who would like to help for just one hour in this project, will they please get in touch with Mrs. Vera E. Albert, 330 N. Barbara St. Phone 3-5181.

## Street Lights Replaced In Landisville, Salunga

All the street light bulbs in the villages of Landisville and Salunga have been replaced according to Mr. Thomas Pennypacker, District Manager, Columbia District.

Mr. Pennypacker says all burned out street light bulbs should be reported by calling Mt. Joy 3-3611 or Columbia 4-2151 and they will be replaced within 24 to 48 hours after the Pennsylvania Power & Light Company has been notified.

## Navy Man Home For The Holidays

Joseph F. Coover, USN, arrived here Monday before Xmas for a two week visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Coover, Hopewell street, this borough.

He is serving aboard the USS Black Destroyer since February and will rejoin his crew at Norfolk, Virginia on January 5th to ship out on a cruise.

## Daughter Born To Wife Of Navy Man

John H. Williams, engineman first class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams, this borough, and his wife the former Miss Mary Ugarwovick, of Bisbee, Arizona, recently became the parents of a baby girl.

Williams is presently serving in the engineering department aboard the submarine USS Diodon which is engaged in training units of the U. S. Fleet and air arm in anti-submarine warfare.

### MOVES OFFICE

Jacob R. Corll, Public Accountant, announced today that he has moved from his former location, 29 W. Main Street to the Joy Theatre Building, Mt. Joy.

## Daniel Brandt Who Toured The West At 84, Dies

Daniel Geib Brandt, who captured the imagination of Lancaster Countians 19 months ago by embarking on a six week tour of the west at the age of eighty-four—died at 1:20 p. m. Wednesday at his Dauphin Co. home.

He had been in ill health for several weeks and had marked his eighty-sixth birthday on July 13.

Brandt made his home with a son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Schroll, Elizabethtown R2, near Deodote.

He was a native of Milton Grove, Mt. Joy Township, and was a son of the late John and Fannie Geib Brandt. His late wife was the former Mary Randler.

Brandt was employed for 25 years preceding 1918 by the Cameron Estates, in East Donegal Township. He then accepted employment with the Bachman Chocolate Manufacturing Co., Mount Joy, and he retired in 1942.

He was a member of the Mt. Joy Mennonite Church.

In May of last year, Brandt and a brother-in-law, Abram Weaver, Landisville, set out on a six weeks tour of the western states, visiting nieces and nephews in Montana, Wyoming, Oregon and Washington.

The trip was Brandt's first to the west and it fulfilled a long-held desire.

He is survived by his daughter, Jennie, the wife of Roy C. Schroll, and with whom he resided; a second daughter, Stella, wife of Morris G. Reem, Elizabethtown R1, and two sons, Harry R., of Hershey, and William R., Blossburg.

Two brothers, Aaron G., Elizabethtown, and...

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