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BY A WISE OWL

Editorially . . .

Stalin Is Dead

Joseph Stalin, the world's most powerful man last week met the inevitable pursuer of life. Death.
 The grim reaper, undiscerning of position, unmindful of power or estate, struck down the world ruler of Communism with swift, precision-like manner.
 Residents here found no time to mourn. It is true a life had departed from the earth. But it was a life propelled by the desire to enslave free people everywhere.
 Stalin had risen to power by taking advantage of the inherent ignorance of the Russian peoples. He stayed there by keeping them ignorant, and through every base and vile move a scheming brain could conceive.
 Treachery, perjury, horror, intimidation and enslavement of the masses. His personal castle was one built truly on a foundation of sand.
 He was, in every sense of the word, the world's most powerful man—until the storms came.

An Afterthought

With a shake-up in the new Soviet regime, headed by Georgi Malenkov, it wouldn't be surprising to Western observers to learn the ten physicians who attended Stalin in his fatal illness have been sent to Siberia or even shot.
 Sufficient grounds for those actions could be found by Communist thinking on charges or insubordination. They were engaged to keep Uncle Joe fit and well but failed in their mission.

Weatherwise

Lancaster Countians, after last week-end couldn't be blamed for thinking the weatherman was off his rocker.
 Saturday night brought a snowfall of several inches, and by the time Sunday morning churchgoers had the chains on their cars, he had sent a warm sun to beat the snow into slush.
 It's getting so we can't even trust the calendar any more. The weather is seldom in line with what is expected of the seasons, and vice-versa.

Happy Day?

The U. S. Bureau of Census figures have just forecast that every worker will have more dependents during the next decade than he has had in the last—a happy thought with income tax day creeping up on us.
 Census calculations reveal that during the decade 1950-1960 the population of the United States will increase by 22.2 million persons, but that only 7.8 millions of these will be in the working age bracket.
 The others will be either too young or too old. We'll bet a few borough residents could use another \$600 exemption or two about now.

Another Deadline

Fishermen of the county have another deadline to be aware of in addition to the income tax filing law.
 On Friday, March 14, the State will close all fishing in county streams until April 15. Streams in other counties are likewise affected.
 Fishing will be permitted only in rivers, lakes and ponds not stocked with trout. The Fish Commission points out that even though a creek or stream has never been a trout stream or had never been stocked with trout it comes under the provisions of the act.
 Lancaster County ranks first in Pennsylvania and eighth among all counties of the United States in the number of live cattle sold from farms, the State Department of Agriculture reports.
 According to the U.S. Census, Lancaster County farmers sold 92,263 head of cattle in 1949, the latest complete report the bureau has because of the magnitude of collecting the statistics.
 Chester County is second in the state. Local farmers received approximately \$14,900,000 for the cattle, ranking the county 11th in the nation in the value of animals sold.
 Lancaster and Chester counties are the only ones in the State to rank among the first 100 of the more than 3,000 counties in the United States.

It's tough trying to write the column today. Don't think I have a touch of spring fever—more likely I'm just plain lazy. So here goes!

Had dinner at a friends house the other night and among the guests was one of the town's biggest gossipers. My hostess was urging her to have another serving of pudding, when the lady said: "Thank you, but only a mouthful." My hostess looked at her husband and said: "Fill up Mrs. ——— plate." ——— What a mouth she must have!

You know—the dollar may not go as far as it used to, but it makes up in speed what it lacks in distance.

"Why in the world don't you try to keep out of jail?" a judge asked an habitual offender. "I did try," complained the offender, "but I was arrested for resisting an officer." ——— you just can't win.

Our idea of a confirmed optimist is a man who marries his secretary thinking he can continue dictating to her.

Had to laugh up at the diner the other night. The waitress was serving a fresh traveler when I heard her say: "Watch it bub, I'm not the tomato that comes with your 40c salad."

I still contend that what women know about men doesn't amount to much but when they suspect makes up for it.

My grandpa tells me his gettin' married again and when he showed me a picture of his bride-to-be I was amazed at her youth, so I exclaimed, "Gee whiz, Gramps, how come you're marrying a nifty young babe like this instead of a woman nearer your age?" And he explained: "Well, son, I figure it's a heap nicer to smell perfume than liniment."

Overheard at a local bar: "My mother-in-law has a nice opera face—open day and night."

One of our Senior boys calls his new girl "Melancholy Babe. Why? Cause she's got a head like a melon and a face like a collier."

The world is full of willing people—those willing to work, and those willing to let them.

A woman from Elizabethtown is touring Europe and was posing for a snapshot in front of the fallen pillars of an ancient temple in Greece. "Don't get the car in the picture," she warned her friend. "My husband will think I ran into the place."

It's only natural for older people to be quiet. They have more to be quiet about.

Just remember when you hesitate—Asking the boss for a raise is a patriotic duty these days. The government needs the additional tax on your salary.

Why worry because your hair is falling out. Suppose it ached and you had to have it pulled out, one by one, like your teeth.

An excited young mother from town called to her husband who was deep in the sports page: "The baby just swallowed the match!" "Calmly, he called back "Here, use my cigarette lighter." ——— Helpmates?????

Hypocrites are like pins—they point one way and head the other.

I didn't see anything at the Builders Show but stuff I couldn't afford.

Patronize Bulletin Advertisers.

Letters To The Editor

February 26, 1953
 Dear Editor:
 I read with keen interest, your editorial on "Building New Homes" and agree there is a need for more new homes in Mt. Joy.
 According to the last census, Mt. Joy had one of the smallest increases in population of the various towns in Lancaster Co., even bordering on the degree of stagnation. Stagnation is not progress.

Attached is a clipping from the Lancaster New Era of the past week in which New Holland is considering plans for the equalization of property assessments, and of hiring an outside agency to do the job.
 I suggest however, that an agency not familiar with local valuations, may well profit by contacting a real estate agency operating locally to get estimates of valuations in this area.
 May I suggest that this be submitted as a second means for the encouragement of new home building in Mt. Joy, for by so doing, we as a borough would have an unbiased appraisal of properties and a fair assessment which no doubt has "slipped out of line" as New Holland's has.

I am personally a prospective home builder in Mt. Joy, and in the past few years, I have learned the assessments on many well built, valuable, older homes in the borough which have very low assessments. Assessments which have existed for many years and have not kept pace with rising valuations in recent years.
 Therefore, the prospective home builder is penalized as far as current assessments (in addition to high building costs) due to the fact that older homes of very great value as far as today's real estate market is concerned, is living on the gravy of low, outmoded assessments.

The borough needs a certain amount of money to operate, and if the older homes doesn't provide the necessary revenue with the unfair assessments, the inclination is to "soak" the home owner with the shiny new homes. This kills the incentive for new home building.
 In my contacts during the last two weeks, several prominent people made the statement that if they were building a new home locally, it wouldn't be in the borough, especially since the tax and water rent have again risen in the borough.
 Maybe this idea of reassessment could change their opinions also.
 If this letter has any merit, forward it to the borough authorities, Chamber of Commerce, or to whom it may concern.
 Yours for a bigger and better Mount Joy.
 An interested home builder.

Florin Y.F.G.

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 15. will be a Sword Drill and all the young people are asked to bring their Bibles and come enjoy this service with the YFG at 6:30 p. m. There will also be special singing.
Hobby Show
 Plans for a Hobby Show are underway for April 14 by the group and is open to all in this vicinity. Anyone who wishes to enter please call Mrs. J. K. Wittle, Mt. Joy 3-9433, or Mrs. C. F. Wisegarver, Mt. Joy 3-9454 on or before April 10th.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Minnie Hunsicker, Lancaster, has been removed from the Lankanau Hospital at Philadelphia and is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Martin Metzler, Columbia Ave., this borough. She was a patient in the hospital for ten weeks undergoing several operations.
 Mrs. M. K. Enterline, Cherry street, Elizabethtown, returned to her home last week from the St. Joseph's Hospital where she had been a patient for three weeks.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Carpenter, 20 E. Main St., this borough, are visiting New York City. They left Sunday and are expected to arrive home today (Thursday).
 Mrs. Doris Byle was a week-end visitor at New York City, where she attended the Hair Style Show.

\$2500 Fire At Rheems

A fire, apparently caused when the grate of a bucket-day fell allowing red hot coals to roll out and ignite the coal bin, damaged the home of Charles Shank, Rheems to the extent of about \$2500. The fire was discovered shortly after 2 P. M. by Mrs. Shank and her daughter.
 The property is owned by Martin C. Cope.

\$20,000 SALE

A crowd estimated at 1500 persons attended the 12th annual consignment sale of farm equipment on Valentine Day at the farm of Paul Sanger, near Myerstown, in Lebanon county. Sales totaled more than \$20,000 and high prices for hay ranged from \$24 to \$32.50 per ton; straw sold from \$26 to \$30 per ton; potatoes brought \$2 a bu. and corn on the ear sold for \$44 per ton.

SURPRISE PARTY

A birthday surprise party was held at the home of Allen Shearer in honor of his fiftieth birthday.
 Refreshments of cake and ice cream were served the following: Mr. and Mrs. Jay G. Witmer and sons, Donald and Lester, Mr. and Mrs. J. Allen Shearer, Doris Marie, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shearer and Martin and Mary Ellen, Miss Fannie Flory, Charles Riggelman, and Guy Spittler.

JAY MUELLER BOUGHT THE WHITE PROPERTY

The one and one-half story dwelling sold by Mrs. Barbara White, Stauffertown, at public sale recently, was purchased by Jay M. Mueller, Lancaster, and not by his father, Michael A. Mueller as was published at the time of the sale.
 Everybody reads newspapers but NOT everybody reads circular advertising left on their door step.

Look At These Values!

Canned Fish Bonus Buys For Lenten Menus!

Pink Salmon	COLD STREAM	16-oz. can	49c	Tuna Fish	CHICKEN-OF-THE-SEA	8 1/2-oz. can	31c
Chum Salmon	PERFECT STRIKE	16-oz. can	39c	Sardines	MAINE-IN-OIL OR MUSTARD	3 cans	25c

FLORIDA VALENCIA ORANGES LARGE 176-SIZE NONE PRICED HIGHER 1 dozen 33c

CARROTS WESTERN-NONE PRICED HIGHER 2 1-lb polythene bags 19c

FRESH ASPARAGUS CALIFORNIA TENDER GREEN SPEARS 1 lb 39c

STRINGLESS BEANS FLORIDA ROUND None Priced Higher 2 lbs 29c

GOLDEN BANANAS NONE PRICED HIGHER 1 lb 12c

U. S. NO. 1 CERTIFIED MAINE SEED POTATOES IRISH COBBLERS 10-lb. 59c 100-lb. \$5.49

GREEN MOUNTAIN KATAHDIN or CHIPPEWAS 10-lb. 49c 100-lb. \$4.49

SMALL YELLOW ONION SETS 2-lb. 33c 32-lb. \$4.98

SMALL WHITE ONION SETS 2-lb. 35c 12-lb. \$5.39

ORANGE JUICE OLD SOUTH 2 1/2-oz. cans 29c

SNOW CROP PEAS 2 1/2-oz. pgs. 35c

SNOW CROP FROZEN FOODS
 DICED POTATOES 16-oz. pkg. 9-oz. pkg. 14-oz. pkg.
 FRENCH FRIED POTATOES 9-oz. pkg. 14-oz. pkg.
 CHOPPED OR LEAF SPINACH 14-oz. pkg.

Your Choice! 2 Pkg. for 37c

HUNT'S PEACHES SLICES OR HALVES 29-oz can 27c

CRESTVIEW EGGS LARGE BROWN & WHITE DOZEN IN DATED CARTON 65c

CHEDDAR CHEESE MILD pound 49c SHARP pound 59c

HEINZ KETCHUP 14-oz bottle 23c

HEINZ BEANS BOSTON, VEGETARIAN OR TOMATO SAUCE WITH PORK 2 16-oz cans 27c

GREEN GIANT PEAS 2 8-oz cans 25c 2 17-oz cans 39c

DOMESTIC SWISS CHEESE In the piece 1 lb 59c

SLICED CHEESE KRAFT'S DE LUXE SLICES AMERICAN, SWISS or PIMENTO .-oz. pkg 31c

SLICED PINEAPPLE DOLE & DEL MONTE large can 32c

LIBBY'S SWEET PICKLES 15-oz jar 25c

PEANUT BUTTER CREAM-ENUT 11-oz jar 29c

GREEN GIANT CORN CREAM STYLE 2 17-oz cans 33c

LIBBY'S TOMATO JUICE 2 18-oz. cans 27c 46-oz can 29c

DINTY MOORE BEEF STEW 24-oz can 47c

CHILI CON CARNE HORMEL 16-oz can 33c

BUTTER KERNEL PEAS 2 17-oz cans 37c

JELLY EGGS WORTH MORE 1-lb pkg 25c 2-lb pkg 45c

Egg Noodles ANN PAGE 1-lb. pkg. 27c

Apple Pie JANE PARKER SPECIAL PRICE! each 39c

LOOK FOR THIS TAG ON THE SHELVES AT YOUR A&P! Bonus Buy!

All Prices in This Advertisement Effective Through Saturday, March 14th

CASHMERE-BOUQUET SOAP 3 both size cakes 32c	RINSO large pkg. 27c	SURF large pkg. 29c	BREEZE FACE CLOTH IN EACH PACKAGE Large Pkg. 31c
VEL Large Pkg. 29c giant pkg. 70c	RINSO giant pkg. 53c	SURF giant pkg. 58c	BREEZE DISH TOWEL IN EACH PACKAGE Giant Pkg. 60c
LUX FLAKES Large Pkg. 27c	LUX SOAP 3 regular size cakes 22c	LUX SOAP 3 both size cakes 32c	CAMAY SOAP 3 Regular Size Cakes 22c
LAVA SOAP 3 medium size cakes 29c	TIDE large pkg. 29c giant pkg. 70c	SPIC and SPAN Regular pkg. 24c Giant pkg. 77c	SWIFT'S MEATS FOR BABIES CHOPPED OR STRAINED All Varieties 3 1/2-oz. Can 22c
DUZ Large Pkg. 27c giant pkg. 65c	CHEER large pkg. 29c giant pkg. 70c	CRISCO SHORTENING 1-lb. can 34c 3-lb. can 93c	CREMO MARSHMALLOW 7 1/2-oz. Jar 21c
OXYDOL DETERGENT Large Pkg. 29c giant pkg. 70c	JOY LIQUID DETERGENT large bottle 29c giant bottle 70c	SWANSON CHICKEN FRICASSEE 14-oz. can 49c	ALPO DOG FOOD ALL BEEF 15 1/2-oz. Can 27c

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