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Weekly Letter Penna. Game Commission

Residents and nonresident hunters, several hundreds of thousands of them, are making final preparations in anticipation of the small game season which opens in Pennsylvania this Saturday.

The Game Commission offers sportsmen these reminders and suggestions: (1) Nine (9:00) o'clock is the opening hour the first day of season, October 31st. (Otherwise, daily shooting hours are 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.) (2) Start driving to the hunting location early so that speed on the highway will not be the cause of a wreck. (3) When enroute to and from hunting, and particularly when afield, be extremely careful of fire in any form. (4) Don't over-exert. (5) Always point firearms in a safe direction. Make sure your target is NOT a human. (6) Wear hunting apparel that will be readily seen by the other hunters. (7) Study the season and bag limit information given on your hunting license. (8) Play it safe all around. Hunting is both enjoyable and beneficial. There are no regrets when it is done safely, sensibly.

The state's game authorities express considerable satisfaction over the small game prospects for the upcoming season. Generally, the cottontail rabbit population is up over that of 1952. Ringneck pheasants are more plentiful than for several years. Latest field reports indicate grouse hunting will be at least as good as in the '52 season. Squirrels are on the move, indicating a lack of natural foods in quantities, but likely there will be a good take of the bushytails again this fall. A general increase in wild turkeys is reported over the great birds' range. Raccoons are abundant almost everywhere in the state. The populous woodchuck is legal game in November, as well as in all the hunting license period.

There is no open season this year on bobwhite quail, Hungarian partridges, hen pheasants, or sharp-tailed grouse. **Hunting Licenses Sold and Lost** In the Pennsylvania hunting license year that ended August 31, 1953 license sales totaled 830,799 for residents and 32,042 for nonresidents. The resident figure include 632 free licenses issued to resident disabled war veterans.

Interesting to note, 2,539 resident hunters and 60 nonresident hunters lost their licenses

FLORIN

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Berrier and son Donald of Waterloo, Ia. spent the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Berrier and other relatives.

Mr. A. S. Eichler of Buffalo, N. Y. is spending some time with relatives in town.

Rev. and Mrs. Roy Forney, spent Sunday at Shippensburg where Rev. Forney preached the sermons at the Church of the Brethren.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vogel, entertained the following at their home on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. William Lawton Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hauer and children, all of Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Geyer, and Mrs. Mabel Herr of Elizabethtown, visited their sister Mrs. Lillian Hamilton and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mumper and daughter of Neffsville, called on the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mumber, Sr., on Saturday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Becker, and daughter attended Love Feast services at the Manheim Church of the Brethren on Sunday where Rev. Becker preached in the morning service.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Felty of Havertown, suburb of Phila. are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Kaufman,

and secured a replacement for \$1.00 as required by law.

Nonresident Hunting License For Regulated shooting grounds

The Game Commission has received a number of inquiries whether a so-called "tourist hunting license" for nonresidents is available in the Commonwealth. Pennsylvania does not offer a general short-term hunting license to persons outside the state. However, an act passed by the 1953 Legislature amends the Game Law to allow licensed owners or operators of regulated shooting grounds, who have qualified as agents of the Department of Revenue, to sell three-day nonresident hunting licenses for use on regulated shooting grounds only.

To obtain such a license, a person must (1) Be 16 years of age or older; (2) Make application in writing to an authorized agent on a form prescribed by the Game Commission; (3) Present proof he or she is a nonresident of Pennsylvania but a citizen of the United States (naturalized foreign-born nonresidents must produce naturalization papers); (4) Pay \$3.15 for a "Three-Day Special Regulated Shooting Grounds License, which shall be valid for three consecutive days, Sundays excluded.

The new act provides: Such license entitles the lawful holder thereof to "hunt, take or kill, on lawfully operated regulated shooting grounds, all wild birds and wild animals which may be legally hunted, taken or killed in this Commonwealth on such grounds, and to participate in a shoot held thereon under a regulated shooting ground permit."

WEEKLY LETTER Continued Dad-Son Hunting Teams Increase Hunting is an exciting invigorating sport enjoyed safely by hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvania annually, but there are too many hunting accidents that mar this great sport.

An encouraging sign of safety training is reflected in the growing number of men who each year take their sons or neighbor boys hunting. This year, the small game season opens on a Saturday, the last day of Hunt Safely Week. Many school boys will go hunting on that day, and many a father's heart will be gladdened by experiences afield with a son or a daughter. A safe hunting trip is a successful trip.

Nonresidents Learn About Game Laws The Hard Way On the afternoon of October 28th, two New Jersey men killed a rabbit in Sullivan County. They killed a buck deer the same evening. An alert game protector, Patrick Craven, assisted by deputies, apprehended the men that night at 10:15.

The two lawbreakers paid total fines amounting to \$210. Their nonresident licenses, bought the day of their escapades, a 30-30 caliber rifle and a spotlight were seized by the officers.

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

News Items From E. D. Twp. School

The East Donegal Twp. High sponsored a one-week program of traffic safety education, Oct. 19-23, for all students of the school with a drivers' license or learners' permit.

The program, which was conducted by the Bureau of Traffic Safety Education of the Atlantic Refining Company, featured fleet of 2 cars, 2 instructors, driving tests, lectures and motion pictures.

The overall program, which was part of the school curriculum for the week, is an effort to better educate the young drivers of this community in the safe and proper operation of automobiles.

Donald Wolgemuth, Ross Eshleman and Josie Fornoff were given the stopping distance test.

The following students were given the road test: Nancy Fuhrman, Patsy Houseal, Gilbert Cornwell, Marlin Miller, Bernard White, John Garber, Richard Arndt, James Smith, Ross Eshleman, Don Wolgemuth, Michael Grove, Jay Mummaw, John Heisey, Verby Crocker, Lovina Demmy, Larry Sears, Josie Fornoff, Harold Derr, Phyllis Wolgemuth, Sarah Singer, Thomas Eckard, Martin Heisey, James Kinsey, Jean Mitchell, Rodney Ney, Wilbur Heisey, Daniel Hess, Jacob Shenk, James Ginder, Herman Gebhard, Janet Seiders, Leroy Holter, Richard Hess, Larry Wagner, Elizabeth Nolt, James Longenecker, Paul Kaufman, and Jay Greider.

Friday, Oct. 23, the Atlantic Refining Company entertained the members of the East Donegal School Board and principal at a luncheon held in Hostetters Banquet Hall. Ralph Coleman, Supervising Principal, Marietta Borough Schools was also present.

William McFadden spoke briefly on the Company's safe driving program and the driving habits of our local students.

Tuesday, Oct. 20, the "Nature Study and Hiking Club" traveled to the Governor's Stables near Falmouth and the Pot Holes along the Susquehanna

The following members made the trip: Dorothy Noll, Robert Eichler, Edward Drescher, Nancy Fletcher, Juetta Barclay, Katie Minnich, Duval Adams, Ronald Stoner, Myrtle Morgan, Barbara Gible, John Eckard, June Hessler, Sara Gutshall, Martha Ruhl, Kenneth Geib, Richard Shirk, and Ross Eshleman.

The trip was under the direction of Mr. C. A. S. Hollinger and Mr. Donald Staley.

Tuesday, Oct. 27, the following from the Nature Study Club made a trip: Clarence Witmer, Kenneth Bailey, Glenn Kaufman, Faye Hiestand, Gerald Brandt, Jo Ann Stehman, Robert Newcomer, Geraldine Waters, Gladys Weaver, Jay Greider, Glenn Aldinger, Glenn Eshleman, Charles Snyder, David Hershey, Shirley Koser, Nancy Arndt, Shirley Noll and James Rutt.

Mr. Herbert Mitchell, recently returned missionary from Europe and Asia spoke to the students in a special assembly Wednesday morning.

In order to bring the students of East Donegal, Marietta, and Mount Joy a little closer together and to help them get acquainted, a number of joint class events are planned this year. The first of these events will take place on Thursday evening, Oct. 29 in the form of a halloween party sponsored by the three junior classes. East Donegal, under the supervision of class advisors, Mrs. Gingrich, and Mr. Staley is responsible for decorations; Marietta, under the supervision of class advisor Mr. Herbert Peters will provide the refreshments; and Mount Joy, under the supervision of class advisor, Mr. Geo. Broske, will provide the entertainment. Principals of the three schools and their wives are invited.

AMBULANCE CALLS

Three calls were answered by the local Friendship Fire Co. ambulance during the past week. Richard Ginder, Mount Joy R. D., was transported Thursday, Sunday, George King of Lancaster was transported to Dr. Leonard in Mount Joy and back to Lancaster again, Wednesday, Mrs. Catherine Williams, Florin was taken to Lancaster. All three were admitted to the General Hospital.

Mortuary Record

MILTON G. ERB
Milton G. Erb, 75, Mount Joy R1, East Donegal Twp., died at 11 a. m. Monday at his home after a five-year illness.

Born in Rapho Twp., he was a son of the late John M. and Fianna Garber Erb and was a tobacco farmer and laborer.

Besides his wife, the former Katie Eshleman, he is survived by a son, Marvin E., at home, and these brothers and sisters: Jacob, Columbia R1; Howard, Minnie and Ella, all of Mt. Joy R1, and Bertha, wife of John Habecker, Richmond, Calif.

JAY H. GIBBLE
Jay Harold Gibble, seven-months old son of Jay H. and Grace Hostetter Gibble, Elizabethtown R3, died at 1:25 a.m. yesterday at the Lancaster General Hospital after a brief illness.

Besides his parents, he is survived by two sisters: Judy Ann and June Carolyn, both at home; his parental grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Elmer G. Gibble, Elizabethtown; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hostetter, Elizabethtown R3.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon.

HALLOWEEN PARTY HELD FOR PRIMARY DEPT.

A Halloween Party was held for the Primary Department of the St. Mark's Evangelical United Brethren Church Saturday afternoon, October 24. Prizes were awarded to the children in costumes. Patricia Fisher received one for the prettiest; Tad Hershey, most original and Sally Ulrich, last one guessed.

Games were played and refreshments were served by the teachers, Mrs. Arthur Sprecher, Mrs. Elwood Mateer, Mrs. Harvey Stoner and Miss Shirley Eby.

SAUERKRAUT DINNER AT LUTHERAN CHURCH

A sauerkraut dinner will be held at the Lutheran Church, on Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 11 a. m. until 1:00 p. m. The dinner is being held by the Ladies Bible Class of the Sunday School.

PERSONALS

Mrs. George Smith, Wheaton, Ill., is visiting her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Larson Smith of Mount Joy R1.

Elam Bomberger, cashier of the First National Bank, accompanied John Detrich, cashier of the Central National Bank, of Columbia and E. O. Brubaker, cashier of the Elizabethtown First National Bank and Trust Company, attended the tenth annual Correspondence Bank Meeting in Philadelphia Wednesday, Eugene Black, who was re-elected for a five-year term as president of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, spoke to the group.

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