

OWL LAFFS



BY A WISE OWL

Here it is, folks, Christmas week! The kids look forward to it for months; the wife shops for presents for weeks, and we keep paying all year. Regardless of that, it's a grand time. But in all the hustle and bustle of giving and getting I wonder how many of us forget why we really celebrate it. Think about it!

Speaking of Christmas, last year I got my wife a bungalow apron. I didn't know her size, but I made out alright. I got one that would fit around a bungalow and it fitted around her O. K.

At one store I went up to a salesman and said: "That stout woman over there is my wife. What do you think I should get her for Christmas?" The salesman took one look and said: "Roller Skates! Anything that big should be on wheels."

In Philly on Monday I lost my wife in one of the big department stores and I went to the lost and found department to find her. The man exclaimed: "Well, go ahead and describe your wife!"

My little nephew is a very skeptical kid. I said to him: "Don't you believe that fat man in the red suit with the white whiskers is really Santa Claus?" And my nephew said: "Naw — I was here yesterday when they made him join the union."

George Reigle said Santa Claus ought to bring H. A. Darrkamp a pair of roller skates, so that he could get into the store room a little faster to wait on the customers.

Then comes New Years and more headaches.

At one dance my wife was grossly insulted. The host said he didn't mind dancing the Beer Barrel Polka, but he didn't want to dance with the barrel.

I can still remember the party we had last New Year's Eve. Midnight came, everybody hollered and whooped, and just then, I yelled: "Watch me, folks — I'm going to put my best foot forward." I did — and fell down the cellar stairs.

My spouse always gets mad when I flirt at these parties and cries: "I've given you the best years of my life!" — What does she want — a refund?

She tells me I don't even know what love is, but I do. It's a lifetime subscription to an argument.

I'll still take summer time to all these holiday activities.

Johnny Charles, Sr., says horseshoe pitching is his favorite outdoor exercise. And the way he pitches them, it's real exercise. He leaves the shoes on the horse — that way he don't have to go get them — they walk back by themselves.

Prior to the holidays a young man was taking an examination to be a letter carrier. Question: "How far is it from the earth to the moon?" The young man looked startled and then replied: "If that's the route I am to travel, I don't want the darned job."

Then there's the little shaver who can't understand why he has to wash his hands when he gets up in the morning, cause he's had them under the covers all night and they couldn't possibly be dirty.

Some of our ladies can't understand why they continually have to buy hose for the fire engine, but as a Christmas ges-

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**Editorially**

**LIGHT THE LIGHTS**  
Mount Joy is fortunate to have a committee to plan for community Christmas lighting, to design the community lighting, to raise funds for lighting, and to erect the community lighting. Now, the only way that the lights can be a success is if you, Mr. and Mrs. Public, light those lights each evening. If you expect to be away, why not make arrangements to have the lights lighted by a friend? If you have one of the lights connected to your office and you aren't there over the weekend, why not make previous arrangements? They have to all be lighted each evening to give the true effect!

**Old Timers Game Is Next Tuesday**

Doors will open at 6:15 p. m. next Tuesday for the Old Timers basketball game to be played in the local high school auditorium. The game time is 7:00 p. m. Benjamin Groff has a line-up of Old Timers ready to form the two teams for the night.

Group singing will be conducted between the Old Timers game and the Alumni versus high school team. Samuel Harnish will lead the singing and Mrs. George Broske will accompany. A collection will be taken which will go into a fund toward awards for Mount Joy High School sports teams.

**School Earns More Free Sports Equipment**

A total of 23,517 points have been earned thus far in the "sports equipment" project at the local elementary school. With each 25c purchase at the Acme Store, one point is earned toward sports equipment. To date, the points are enough for the receiving of four soft balls and two soft ball bats. The public is invited to help with this project by placing sales slips in the black box at the door of the store.

**W. F. Owens Named To Industrial Sales**

The Pennsylvania Power and Light Company announced today the appointment of William F. Owens as Industrial Supervisor of its Lancaster Division. This position had been held by Carl R. Maio who was recently transferred to the Company's General Offices in Allentown.

Owens comes here from the Company's Harrisburg Division where he has been an industrial representative since 1950. Prior to this he had completed the Company's Student Training Program.

A native of Philadelphia, Owens graduated from Villanova University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and the Engineering Society of Pennsylvania.

During World War II, Owens served more than three years with the Army Engineering Corps. He was discharged in 1946 as a First Lieutenant. With his wife, Mary T., and their three children, Mr. Owens will make his home in this area. They're going to knit some. Isn't that sweet?

**NEWTOWN**

Mrs. Franklin Miller, East Orange, N. J. visited her mother Mrs. Elizabeth Hitchcock, who is a guest at the Arndt Rest Home.

Visitors during the past week of Mr. and Mrs. Aristicte Wittke and daughter Ruth were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wittke and children, Columbia R. D. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Simmons and daughters, Marietta, Mr. and Mrs. Ragner Hallgren, Mt. Joy, Mr. Harry Hamilton, Mrs. Ben Hoffman, Elizabethtown.

Mr. John Fogie, Mountville, visited his mother Mrs. Serena Fogie, on Monday.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Witmer and family were Mr. and Mrs. William Kauffman and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Kauffman Sr. of Ironville.

Mrs. Irvin Witmer held a Christmas party for her Sunday School class. Games were played, also singing by the group. A luncheon was served by the teacher. A most enjoyable time was had by all.

Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Arndt enjoyed the Christmas Story at the Mount Joy High School on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Minnie Geltmacher, of Kinderhook, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geltmacher and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fogie and son Richard visited with the following, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and daughter, Columbia R. D. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Atland and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barton, Columbia.

Mrs. John Grossman and children attended the Armstrong Christmas party on Sunday.

Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Matilda Derr were Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Derr and Son of Gratersford. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Derr and sons and Jane Flory of Mount Joy R. D.

Mr. and Mrs. John V. Witmer and son Johnnie, E-town R. D., visited Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Erb on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Gible, of Myerstown visited Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Frysinger, Mrs. Katie Moore and Mrs. Ida Eisenberger.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Gamber and daughter were Mr. and Mrs. Harvard Johnston, Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Salem Gamber and daughter Gloria, of Columbia R. D.

Mr. Bob Reheard and son and Mr. Chas. Sherk of Florin, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Isler and family.

Mrs. Howard Witmer and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fry and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kurtz, and Mrs. Mabel Ne ssalof Columbia R. D.

Visitors at The Arndt Rest Home, were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lefever and children, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Lefever, Conestoga, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Lefever, Mary Lefever, Mr. and Mrs. Harvard Johnston, Lancaster.

Mrs. Edith Erb visited Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brosey and family of Silver Spring and Mrs. Pearl Breneman, Mount Joy R. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Witmer and sons of Esbenshade Road visited Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Geltmacher and daughter.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Haines were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rollman and daughter, Pat, Litz, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Nentwig and family, Florin.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gamber visited Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Haldeman and family, Mount Joy R. D.

Mrs. R. H. Arndt visited Mrs. Theodore Sener, Lancaster on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Salem Gamber and daughter, Columbia R. D. visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gamber.

Mrs. Pearl Breneman held a Christmas party for her Sunday School class last Friday evening. Games were played. There was carol singing by the group. Luncheon was served by the teacher. The following were present: Shirley Ann Witmer, Betty Lou Frank, Barbara Ann Finnefrock, Betty Ann Haines, Mrs. Elsie Haldeman and daughters, Mrs. Edith Erb and Mrs. Pearl Breneman. A most enjoyable time was had by all.

**MONEY ORDER WINDOW TO CLOSE THURSDAY NOON**  
The money order window of the post office in Mount Joy will close at 12 o'clock noon Thursday, December 24 and Thursday, December 31 and announced by the acting postmaster, Elmer Zerpey.

**Under The Basket**

The Rams split in a pair of games with E-town last Friday evening. The Varsity won a thriller by the score of 41-37, while the J. V's lost 29-22.

It was the Varsity game that still has the townfolk talking. Mount Joy was outscored by 3 points in the first period, 2 in the second period and 1 point during the 3rd period, but the final period found them roaring down the home-stretch by outscoring the football team or rather, I should say the basketball team from E-town to the tune of 19-9.

The local coach could teach his boys to use the same methods employed by the E-towners but it is better to win the right way than to use such methods.

I know the majority of the Mount Joy fans realize that teaching the boys sportsmanship should come first. Yes, we all like to win but not at any cost. It is understood that E-town will be out to get the Rams when they journey to their domain. Well, I'm sure it will be another thriller but, the locals are not afraid of their football tactics, nor their remarks on the court. Remember we have defeated those growly bears from Elizabethtown three consecutive games. Twice last year and now this year. It is hoped that the local coach will have his team at full strength. Weber has improved very much scholastically, as has Beaston. C. Groff should be ready to play by the middle of January.

Captain Klugh led the locals with 17 points while Kenny Beinhauer led his team with 17. Beinhauer is one of the smoothest players the locals have faced. We acknowledge his good play and "tip our hats" to a fine athlete.

E-Town JV	G	F	TL
Williams	10	9	29
Mt. Joy JV	G	F	TL
Frey	0	4	4
Fish	0	2	2
Mayer	0	1	1
Zimmerman	0	2	2
Harple	0	0	0
Becker	4	0	8
Pennell	0	0	0
Grove	0	1	1
Beaston	2	0	4
Totals	6	10	22

E-Town	G	F	TL
Williams	0	0	0
Martin	0	0	0
Beinhauer	7	3	17
Kauffman	0	2	2
Andrews	2	1	5
Byerly	4	1	9
Clark	1	2	4
Totals	14	9	37

The next game will be with the Alumni of 1952-53. Those boys are Bill Zimmerman, Tom Kear, Ben Clinger, James Metzler, Donald Germer, Clair Wagner, Edward Lindemuth, Toby Weber, Ed Breneman, Gerald Bender. They are all from last year's team. The game will be held next Tuesday evening at 8:15 o'clock.

The Varsity Rams will begin their practice sessions with a scrimmage with Mechanicsburg on the local court next Monday. This scrimmage is not open to the public.

Thursday they will probably scrimmage Columbia again.

**Drop-In Planned For Christmas Eve**

The traditional Christmas eve party will be held at the post home December 24. Free eggnog and lunch will be served to all persons who come to the home. The hours for the "Eggnog-lunch drop-in" are from 7 to 9 p. m.

At 9:00 p. m. the post home will close for the night.

Personnel who work at the post home will hold their Christmas party at this time also. Gifts will be exchanged.

**TWO HOMES PURCHASED**  
Mr. and Mrs. John E. Toppin, 255 Marietta Avenue, have purchased the John Hippie home, 132 South Market Street, Mount Joy at private terms.

**FLORIN**

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Todd, Manheim, called on Mr. George Shetter and family on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Kauffman visited Mrs. Emma Peifer, at the Messiah Home at Harrisburg on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mumper Sr. were Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Macear at Mount Joy on Sunday.

Recent Sunday Dinner guests of Rev. and Mrs. Howard Bernhard were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Paris Ober and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shank and family, Mrs. Salome Shank of Elizabethtown R. D. and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Duple and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Landis Hess and Miss Margaret Eichler, Mr. Claude Espenshade, visited Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hess and Mr. and Mrs. Max Hess at Loysville, Perry Co., on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ammon, and children; Mrs. Lillian Hamilton and Connie Pierce were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kraus at Lancaster on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Myers entertained the following to a dinner last Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wenger of Chambersburg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wagner of Palmyra, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Herr, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Strickler, and Miss Joan Wolgemuth of Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. John Farmer entertained guests at a Christmas dinner Sunday. The following attended: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Farmer, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Farmer, Jr. and family and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Waltz and family.

**Aliens Must Register During January, 1954**

Notification has been made known that all aliens must report their address during January, 1954. Aliens may go to any post office and ask for an Annual Address Report Card; fill in all the items on the card; sign it; hand the completed card to any postal clerk and do not mail it.

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Varsity & J. V.  
8:00 P. M.

Dec. 29—Alumni	H
Jan. 5—East Donegal	H
Jan. 8—Marietta	A
Jan. 12—Mdnor	H
Jan. 15—Manheim Central	H
Jan. 19—Manheim Twp.	H
Jan. 22—Elizabethtown	A
Jan. 26—Manor	A
Jan. 29—Patton	H
Feb. 3—Patton	H
Feb. 5—East Donegal	A
Feb. 9—Manheim Twp.	A
Feb. 12—Marietta	H
League Games	
Junior High	
4:00 P. M.	
Jan. 8—Manheim Central	A
Jan. 12—Bainbridge	H
Jan. 15—Elizabethtown	H
Jan. 22—Hempfield	H
Jan. 29—East Donegal	H
Feb. 2—Patton	A
Feb. 5—Marietta	A
Feb. 12—Manheim Central	H
Feb. 19—Elizabethtown	A
League Games	

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THURSDAY — FRIDAY — SATURDAY, DEC. 24 - 25 - 26  
CLARK GABLE — AVA GARDNER -in-  
**"Mogambo"**

MONDAY — TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28 - 29  
HENREID — PATRICIA HENREID -in-  
**"Siren Of Bagdad"**  
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