

OWL LAFFS



BY A WISE OWL

All you have to do now is get the bills paid and Christmas will be over for 1954.

Our editor's wife was looking over the supply of Christmas trees at Ruhl's to see just which one would suit her fancy, when an especially well formed one took her eye. She indicated her choice to the attendant remarking that it was by far the nicest. He agreed, saying: "Yes, it is a beautiful tree, but it's planted there. That's part of the shrubbery."

This next week end is the one in which we all make a batch of good resolutions—some of which last well into February. Among the most fragile of resolutions are those connected with household expenses. The trouble with most budgets: There's too much month left over at the end of the money.

January's birthstone is the garnet; its flower is the carnation, and its weather often is as uncertain as an elephant hanging over a cliff with its tail tied to a daisy.

Don't forget to renew your driver's license in January; it runs out on the 31st. You might also remember your wife's birthday, but forget which one it is.

I got quite a chuckle out of a sign tied on the ear of a newly married couple last week. Instead of the usual "Just Married," it read "Result of Careless Talk."

You know my wife's favorite expression, every time I open my yap to say something? — "When I want your opinion, I'll give it to you!"

From Salunga comes this pre-Christmas tale.

"Twas the day before Christmas, Willie broke a window with a snowball, sassed his mother, got his new suit full of slush, broke the dial on the TV set and took father's pen to draw pictures with.

"Thank goodness," sighed his Papa "my boy is not a hypocrite!"

A local tavern keeper, who has a reputation for keeping some strong brews, had just closed his shop when he heard a heavy pounding on the door.

"Go away," he shouted, "You can't have any more to drink at this hour."

"Who wants anything to drink," came the answer. "I left without my crutches."

A little girl from Donegal St., who was quite fond of her baby cousin said to her mother one day, "Mama, can't we have a baby?"

"Oh, they cost too much," her mother said.

"How much?" asked the child.

"Oh, about \$150 or \$200."

The little girl thought awhile, then she said, "That's not too much when you think how long they last."

No wonder young, new mothers get confused.

The directions in a new fangled baby bottle recently put on the market read as follows:

"When the baby is through drinking, it should be unscrewed and laid in a cool place under the hydrant or in the refrigerator. If the baby does not thrive on fresh milk, it should be boiled." — The baby or the bottle?

Naturalists have reported a "decline in wild-life." — They should get out and look around some Friday night.

Have a Happy New Year and be sure you're here to enjoy it. — Make the "one for the road" coffee.

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EDITORIAL:

WATER AUTHORITY GIVES WEEKLY WATER CHECK

Mount Joy Borough water is tested weekly. According to Samuel Miller, the borough water is sampled and sent to Harrisburg where it is tested weekly. Every week a report is submitted to the borough authority and each week the water has been considered fine for drinking purposes.

During the past three months the streets of the town have been opened for work on the gas lines. A slight discoloration of the water has been the result of this work because the vibration of the air hammers causes shale to be shaken loose.

Some of the citizens felt that this water was probably not being tested when the "brownish" color appeared. It is well for all the citizens to know that we have an authority which is interested in the borough and its citizens. These men and the water supervisor see to it that our water is tested each week.

Letters To The Editor

To the Bulletin:

In the editorial of December 9th you stated that Clyde Nickle is offering to conduct a dancing school for the youngsters in Mount Joy, and then state states that there is a desire among the residents for such a school, now if you find two residents in Mt. Joy that desire such a school, then we cannot deny that the desire is among the residents. But tell me Mr. Editor, how many in Mount Joy desire a dancing school for their youngsters.

According to church reports about ninety percent of the people in Mount Joy are church members. And I challenge the impression that the statement conveys, that the community desires a dancing school for the youngsters. I am sure that ninety percent of the people in Mt. Joy are not for it. If I am wrong in this, then Mount Joy is not the town I think it is. And I suggest that the people of Mt. Joy let Mr. Nickle know that their youngsters will not patronize his dancing school, and I would further suggest that the Churches bring pressure upon the Schools, that they avoid all programs on Wednesday evenings, so that all the youngsters would have the privilege to attend midweek prayer meetings. Dancing schools will not be a remedy for our juvenile problems. I venture to say they will increase, because no dance has ever done any good to anyone.

I have been living around Mount Joy and in Mount Joy for over seventy years, and I still think Mount Joy is a fine place to live, although I am in Orlando, Florida for a few months, and am what they call down here, a Yankee snow dodger.

Sincerely,
E. E. WOLGEMUTH

FLORIN

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCurdy of Palmyra, were dinner guests at the Hamilton home on Sunday and in the afternoon, Mr. and Mrs. McCurdy and Mrs. Viola Bricker and Miss Mary Hamilton, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ammon and family at Gap and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kraus and family at Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Martin Sr. entertained, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sentz and children, Mr. and Mrs. Oberholzer and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martin Jr. and daughter to dinner on Christmas Day.

The many friends of Mr. John Frey will be pleased to learn that he is improving at St. Joseph Hospital where he is a patient.

Miss Mary Hamilton spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kraus at Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gantz

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entertained the following on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Christmas Gantz and Mrs. Viola Bricker.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brooks and daughters, and Mr. Franklin Eichler, spent Christmas day with relatives in York.

Mr. and Mrs. Landis Hess entertained the following to dinner on Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Kauffman, Mrs. Adah Eichler and daughter, Margaret, James Musser and Mrs. Claude Espenshade and son, David.

Mrs. Albert Frank Sr., and Mrs. Albert Frank Jr., and daughter of Philadelphia, are spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frank.

Mr. and Mrs. Landis Hess spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hess at Loysville.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Liggins entertained the following on Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. William Brian and sons, Jeffrey and Gregory of Mt. Joy and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Liggins Jr. and son Jack and daughter Mindi.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Welley had as their guests on Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Tillman Barnhart of Rheems, Miss Mary Barnhart and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wittle.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mumper Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. John Bender Sr. visited Mr. and Mrs. John Bender Jr. and family at Lancaster on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Helms entertained the following on Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Grover Eichler, Christmas day.

Mr. Samuel Shelley spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller at Rheems.

Mr. and Mrs. James Eichler and daughter were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snyder at Falmouth.

The following were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mumper on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Brinser of Middletown, Mr. and Mrs. John Bender Sr. and son Leroy of Milton Grove, Miss Lois Gladfelter of Lancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Bender and children, Milton Grove, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Frey and daughter, Carlisle and Mr. and Mrs. John Bender Jr. and family of Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Ulmer of E-town RD, called on the latter's father, Mr. Samuel Shelley on Saturday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Vogle and family on Sunday were, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vogle and son Glenn of Columbia, Mr. and Mrs. James Posten and daughter Barbara, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hauer, and children, also two nieces, Mr. and Mrs. George Myers, and Theodore Sechrist, all of Lancaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Becker entertained at dinner on Sunday Rev. and Mrs. Henry Becker and Jere and Dorcas, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Martin and daughter, Linda, Mr. Henry Becker Jr. and Miss Beverly Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Becker and Glenn, Marion and David, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Witman and son, all of Mount Joy, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becker of Elizabethtown.

Among other guests, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Breneman spent Christmas with the former's nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Jay M. Foreman at Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Myers and Mrs. Sue Walters spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Wolgemuth and family at Elizabethtown.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Herr left on Tuesday for Florida where Mrs. Herr will remain to spend the winter, while Mr. Herr will return shortly.

Mrs. Kathryn Snyder and children spent the Christmas holiday visiting her son-in-law and daughter Rev. and Mrs. Earl Zeigler at Woodbury.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Bernhard entertained a number of relatives at a turkey dinner on Christmas day.

AREA MEN LOSE LICENSES
Of the 81 drivers who lost their driver's licenses and the 52 who regained their drivers privileges, local citizens are listed. Harold Drace, Rheems lost his license for speeding; Karl B. Engle, Mount Joy, failure to main proof of financial responsibility.

Vernon R. Derstler, Mount Joy R2, regained his driving privilege.



Church News

NEWS PERTAINING TO ALL THE CHURCHES IN MT. JOY AND THE ENTIRE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church
Rev. Q. A. Deck, Pastor

Sunday
9:15 a.m. Sunday School.
10:20 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. — Holy Communion with sermons by the pastor.

This church cooperates with the Mount Joy Ministerial Association in the observance of Universal Week of Prayer.

Mount Joy Mennonite Church
Bishop Henry Lutz, Amos Hess, Henry Garber, Henry Frank Pastors

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Church.

Wednesday
7:30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting.

Mt. Pleasant Brethren In Christ Church
Pastors: Graybill Wolgemuth, C. H. Moyer

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service.

Wednesday
7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

Crossroads Brethren In Christ Church
Irvin W. Musser, Harry L. Brubaker, Paul Z. Hess, Pastors.

Sunday
9:15 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service.
7:00 p.m. Christ Crusader's and Children's Bible Hour.
8:00 p.m. Gospel Message.

Wednesday
7:30 p.m. Missionary Prayer Service.

Church of the Brethren
Falmouth Pike
Rev. Wilmer Hurst Pastor

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Worship service. Missionary message by Mrs. Paul Petcher, wife of Dr. Paul Petcher, who are on their first furlough from serving in Nigeria, Africa. The Ladies Trio from the Elizabethtown Church of the Brethren will provide special music.

10:00 a.m. Bible School.
The annual Christmas program was presented in the Church of the Brethren Sunday evening to a capacity audience.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
Mount Joy, Pa.
The Rev. Emmert M. Moyer Vicar

Friday, New Year's Eve Service 11 to 12 p.m.

Sunday
7:30 a.m. Men's Corporate communion and breakfast.
9:30 a.m. Church School.
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion and Sermon.

Nursery care during the 11 a. m. service.

Salunga Church of the Brethren
Earl Brubaker, Elder in Charge
Ezra Herman, Supt.

Sunday
9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Wednesday
7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting.
Bible Study.

West Green Tree Church of the Brethren
Abram N. Eshelman, Elder.

Sunday
8:45 a.m. Sunday School at Rheems and Green Tree.
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, at Rheems.

Calvary Bible Church
Rev. W. L. Wilson Jr., Pastor

Sunday
9:15 a.m. Sunday Bible School
Classes for all ages.
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship
The Pastor will be speaking on "Enduring Persecution."
7:00 p.m. Pre-Service Prayer Fellowship.
7:30 p.m. Evening Worship
Sermon by the Pastor "A True High Priest"

Tuesday
7:30 p.m. Women's Work Group at Marion & Ruth's.

Wednesday
7:00 p.m. Evangelical Teacher Training Class.
8:00 p.m. Midweek Prayer Service.

Thursday
8:00 p.m. Official Board Meeting at the Parsonage.

The Washington Street Church of the Brethren
Elizabethtown, Pa.
Nevin H. Zuck, Pastor

Sunday
9:30 a.m. Church School

Tax Assessment

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They, therefore, came to the conclusion that the use of land maps was imperative if every-one was to be assessed who should be assessed. They could find no other means or system that was nearly as accurate in accounting for all the land as the use of tax maps.

In the matter of appraising property, these more progressive states were uniformly using the reproduction value of the improvements on land as the basis on which assessments were computed. The method that was employed to establish these values was the use of tables of construction costs based on the square foot area of the improvement.

Using this method and securing all the data on a given property that would influence the reproduction value, either up or down, and the application of these facts to the construction cost tables, it was found that, in all instances, the influencing factors were the cost of construction, adjusted by condition of the property, proximity to the business district, the desirability as a residential area, public transportation, schools, and shopping centers.

When the Local Government Commission had completed its studies, its members unanimously agreed that this formula was the only sound manner in which equalization could be effected, and it became the basis for the 1951 Pennsylvania Assessment Law.

There is no better way to boost your business than by local newspaper advertising.

Buller's Beauty Salon
Main Street Florin, Pa.
Cold Waves Machineless
Permanents \$5.00 up
Call Mt. Joy 3-4339
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JEWELER
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Quality Meats
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EUGENE S. KREIDER
R. D. 2 MOUNT JOY, PA.
PHONE 3-9036 40-lfc

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The World's Most Widely Used Devotional Guide
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J. S. NEWCOMER
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Start the New Year off right by buying an appliance from Ward Bottle Gas. Gas is the nation's number one cooking fuel, and it saves you money wherever you use it.

See our large display of gas stoves, water heaters, refrigerators, etc. at either our conveniently located branch store, 25 S. State St., Ephrata, or our main office, Ephrata R. 1. Ward Bottle Gas.

52-lfc

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GENERAL REPAIRING
BODY and FENDER SHOP

R. D. 2 ALONG 230 ROUTE WEST OF FLORIN

PHONE 3-9367 J. S. SNYDER - PROP.

All A&P Markets Will Be
OPEN THIS THURSDAY
DEC. 30TH UNTIL 9 P. M.
All Markets Open Friday (New Years Eve) Until 6 P.M.
Happy New Year from All of Us at A & P!

A&P FOOD STORES
Your Thrifty A&P Will Strive...
To Save You More In '55

Crisp Iceberg Lettuce	2 large heads	23c
Solid Slicing Fresh Tomatoes	None Priced Higher	19c
Juicy Oranges	None Priced Higher	29c
Large Lemons	None Priced Higher	35c
Fresh Spinach	Washed & Trimmed	19c
Pascal Celery	2 stalks	25c
Delicious Apples	Northwestern	2 lbs 29c
Fancy Mixed Nuts	1-lb. pkg.	49c
Frozen Shrimp	Cap'n John's Breaded Fantail or French Fried	pkg. 49c
Frozen Limeade	3 6-oz. cans	29c
Sliced Strawberries	2 10-oz. pgs.	45c
Orange Juice	Cross & Blackwell	6-oz. cans 75c
Snow Crop Cut Corn	2 10-oz. pgs.	29c
Chopped Broccoli	Birds Eye	2 10-oz. pgs. 39c

Sharp Cheese Special Price Reduced Price
Treet or Spam 12-oz. can 41c

A&P Fruit Cocktail 30-oz. can 37c
Vege-Crest Vegetable Juice Cocktail 3 12-oz. cans 25c
Beans Ann Page 2 15-oz. cans 23c

Ann Page Mayonnaise pint 29c quart 49c
Sultana Rice 1-lb. pkg. 14c 2-lb. pkg. 25c
A&P Golden Corn Cream or Whole Kernel 2 16-oz. cans 25c

Orange Juice Florida Sweetened or Unsweetened 46-oz. can 25c
Kraft Cheez-Whiz 8-oz. jar 27c 16-oz. jar 49c
Warwick Thin Mints Chocolate Covered 12-oz. pkg. 35c

Beverages Yukon Club, Ginger Ale, Club Soda and Favorite Flavors (plus 5c bot. dep.) 28-oz. bottle 10c
Nabisco Ritz Crackers 1-lb. pkg. 33c
Keebler Saltines Crackers 1-lb. pkg. 25c
Bachman Prezels Extra Thin 6-oz. pkg. 19c 12-oz. pkg. 33c
Jane Parker Apple Pie Special Price 8-inch 39c
Jane Parker Potato Chips Special Price 1-lb. box 49c

A&P's Big 10c Sale! Your Choice
Iona Cut Green Beans 15 1/2-oz. can 10c
A&P Golden Cream Corn 8 1/2-oz. can 10c
Grapefruit Juice Florida Sweetened or Unsweetened 18-oz. can 10c
Ann Page Prepared Spaghetti 8-oz. can 10c
Iona Tomatoes 10-oz. can 10c
Iona Cut Beets 16-oz. can 10c

All Prices in this Advertisement Guaranteed through Friday, Dec. 31st.
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