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BY A WISE OWL

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We understand the Boxmen will have their own cheering section.

Florin Fire Chief Swords is having trouble finding his pants when the siren blows at night. The last night the siren blew, Rube got out of bed, and after scouring everywhere for them he finally decided to ask his wife where they were. She sat up in bed and saw his pants lying at his feet on the floor. Rube still got to the fire in time.

Saw a very potent sign erected as part of a traffic safety campaign. It read: "Pedestrians—Use the crosswalks to avoid that run-down feeling!"

A Florin Romeo doesn't understand why his girl slapped him after he said such nice things about her, I asked him exactly what he said and he repeated: "Darling, your eyes are like deep pools of sparkling water; Your lips are like two little red rosebuds wet with the morning dew; your teeth are like the finest pearls; but you have the darndest looking nose I have ever seen on anything but an African ant eater."

Then there was the man who was given just one month to live. That was the length of time his wife would be away on her vacation.

Clyde Nissley says a careful driver is something more than a guy who honks his horn as he goes through a red-light.

Two farmers met at Becker's Gas Station: "Howdy, Joe," one of them greeted. "Haint seen you for several months. How's things?"

"Haint you heard, Bill?" Joe replied. "Me and my old woman's been divorced."

"Do tell" remarked Bill. "What did you and your wife do about the house you-all own?"

"Divided it up, Bill."

"Divide your house! How?"

Joe grinned. "Fifty-fifty," he replied. "She took the inside and I took the outside."

A little girl from town was visiting her aunt in a big city and they were out for a walk one day when they passed a hospital with straw spread over the street to deaden the sound of the vehicles that travelled by. "What's that for, Auntie," asked the little girl. "Why, that's the hospital where we get the little babies here in the city." The child pondered for a moment, then she blurted out, "Well packed, ain't they?"

An East Main Streeter says his girl has the darndest ideas. Whenever he takes her to Lancaster to the movies they always have to sit in the balcony and when they go to a drive-in movie he has to jack up his car.

Jim Berrier, from Milton Grove sent us this poem.

A cow, like a ship, has a stern and a bow,

And a tail in place of a rudder;

You fill'er at one end with hay from the mow

And you empty her at the udder.

A young sailor on leave told us he had a most harrowing experience during one tour of duty in the Pacific. The destroyer was sinking and the captain shouted:

"Does anyone know how to pray?"

Our seaman yelled: "I do."

The Captain called: "Well, you pray and the rest of us will put on life belts. We're one ship out on life belts. We're one ship out on life belts."

A WISE OWL

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Editor:

I am writing in response to a previous request for opinions on a Youth Recreational Center. We all want a better community for our children. We may not have all the answers but I can't conceive of disagreement on this—if we are to have a better chance.

I do not truthfully believe that our own community can afford to erect a suitable community building and to maintain same. It is, however, important for our community to immediately consider a Recreational Center of this type, but first let us take inventory of our present available facilities in our community.

We should all volunteer our views on this important problem as soon as possible. I, therefore, list the following five (5) suggestions for the committees consideration:

1. We could erect two full sized basketball courts on the old grade school site with provisions so made that they could be flooded with several inches of water in the winter to provide skating in the center of town. These courts could be built that they would not interfere in the future with any building program which might be later decided upon.

2. Eight of our local churches could easily be used for certain functions and meetings of our teenage groups during the year.

3. We have a very fine auditorium and gymnasium in our Mt. Joy Grade School which, if properly controlled and administered through the school assistance, could be used for regular teenage group meetings and dances.

4. The stone mansion located on the Joy Company School Playground, adjacent to the new dam on the Chiques Creek east of town, was turned over by Mr. Clarence Schock to the local School District which at the present time is not being occupied. It has great possibilities to remodel sufficiently for a Youth Recreational Center. It would seem prudent to explore the possibility of this building, since it has so many natural surroundings (skating pond, dam, boating facilities, etc.). Since the stone mansion is the property of the Mount Joy School District, we can be assured of a competent governing body to properly control the activities and the maintenance thereof.

5. If the town still would consider the necessity of having a larger building, probably our community could acquire and improve the large barn now owned by The JOY Company, adjacent to the stone mansion above mentioned in No. 4. I am fearful, however, that the cost at this time to remodel this barn into a suitable Youth Center would also be objectionable. However, the possibility could be explored.

We are all deeply interested in our teenage group and their activities. I, therefore, believe that the above five suggestions should be considered and explored before we attempt a project which may be quite burdensome for our community at present and for the future years.

The committee on this project are doing a very good job. Let me assure everyone that this letter is not written to delay decision on this problem. We need facilities now for our teenage group. Let's all work toward this immediate end.

Thanking you very kindly for the opportunity given to our community to express their ideas on this particular project, and with community improvement and betterment always my interest, I remain

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