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Editorially

RAZOR BLADES AND GRAB BAGS

Razor blades and grab bags just don't mix. Yet, it has come to The Bulletin's attention that grab bags which were being sold at the Farm Show contained packages of razor blades. In fact, one small youngster purchased a grab bag, and, thinking the razor blades were something to play with, opened one and received a severe gash on the thumb, bad enough that it had to be treated by a doctor.

The finger of blame isn't being pointed at anyone in particular. Administration of the Farm Show is a mighty big job and is being handled in this community creditably and it would be rather difficult to make an inspection of all the goods offered by the various outsiders who set up booths. However, may we suggest that a set of rules and regulations might be drawn up and presented to each operator of a concession and published in the Community Exhibit book. Then, there would be grounds for action should unsuitable merchandise be sold.

From the incident came an unfortunate experience. It seems that the youngster's parents took their problem to a policeman and received the brush-off, with the comment, "We can't do anything there is no law being broken." Technically the officer was right. But this youngster's parents were not seeking an arrest. However, they did feel that a word from the officer to the concessionaire would bring about the removal of the razor blades from the grab bags; thus protecting other youngsters from the danger.

We think the parents were entitled to more than a "we can't do anything" answer.

WHY NOT REGULAR MEETINGS?

The other Tuesday night a Bulletin reporter took his pencil and pen and set out to

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cover the monthly meeting of the Borough Water and Sewer Authority. He went to the regular meeting place, the office of Gerberich-Payne Shoe Company. It was the second Tuesday of the month which is supposedly the regular meeting date. But all was dark and there was no meeting.

Now, this reporter had a pretty good idea there would be no meeting, since the Thursday night before, unofficially, or less than an hour's notice he had heard that the Authority was meeting that night. A previous commitment made attendance impossible on such short notice.

This certainly doesn't seem like the way to run this community's biggest business. Every resident of Mt. Joy is a stockholder, one way or another, in the Water and Sewer Authority, and as such is entitled to know when the meetings are being held, so that he can place any problems or suggestions he may have before the Authority members.

The shoe company is to be commended for making its facilities available to the Authority, this could be something if there is public attendance in any large numbers. Therefore it might be well for the Authority to consider holding its meetings in the Borough Council chamber.

The meeting place, however, is not real issue. It is The Bulletin's feeling that regularity of meetings at a designated time is important and that the public should be given notice in plenty of time if there is to be any variance.

NEWTOWN

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fogie were, Mrs. Elwood Mateer and Miss Kathryn Gephart.

Mrs. John Miller visited Mrs. Robert Yoder, Mrs. Victor Bushong and Mrs. Robert Sullenberger, Lancaster on Friday.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Weaver were Mr. Benjamin Weaver, Marietta, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Myers and daughter Joan, Columbia RD.

Harold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Witmer fell at school and broke two bones in his wrist.

Mrs. Helen Stettler, Mount Joy, visited Mr. and Mrs.

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Oliver Witmer and family. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Geltmacher enjoyed a trip to Perry County on Sunday. Mrs. Wm. Fogie visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Atland and family, Columbia. Mrs. John Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Miller visited Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Smith of Mt. Joy on Sunday. Misses Betty and Linda Geltmacher enjoyed a trip to the Mountains with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Newcomer, Mt. Joy RD.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kaufman Sr., Ironville were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Witmer and family.

Mrs. Laura Sener, Lancaster visited Mr. George Moore and family. Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Frysinger, Mrs. Katie Moore and Mrs. Ida Eisenberger, were Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Gible, Myerstown, Mrs. Emma Givens, Middletown, Mr. and Mrs. Harvard Johnson, Lancaster, Mrs. Henry Mellinger, Mrs. John Mellinger and son Curtis, of Mount Joy RD.

Mrs. Blanche Frysinger, Mrs. Katie Moore and Mrs. Ida Eisenberger enjoyed a trip to York County with Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Gible. Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Geltmacher and family were, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Stoppard and son, Kenny, of Ironville and Deborah Hinkle, Columbia.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Brosey and family were Mr. and Mrs. John Brosey and family, Sporting Hill, Mr. and Mrs. John V. Witmer and son Johnnie, of Elizabethtown RD, and Mrs. Pearl Breneman, Mt. Joy RD. Mrs. Robert Frank Jr. and son Ernie, Mrs. Jean Isler and Mrs. Irene Snyder visited.

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The appointment was announced after a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association's Annual Convention in Philadelphia, Oct. 11, 1956, by Roland L. Adams, PNPA president and publisher of the Bethlehem Globe-Times. Dew succeeds Theodore A. Serrill who is resigning to become Executive Director of Washington, D. C. Publishers' Association on Nov. 1, 1956.

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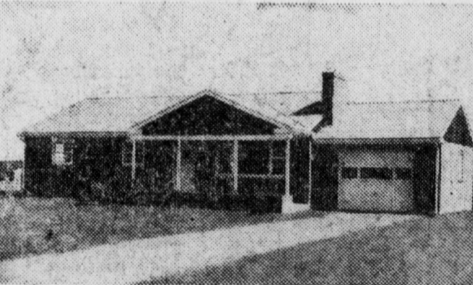
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