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## 98 Years Old With A Model Life Of Service And Success

Very shortly now, Mount Joy's new Main street will be two years old.

And—to date — there has not been a single time that it has been necessary to "break open" the rebuilt roadway to repair underground utilities.

In the meantime, the recently resurfaced streets in the Florin area are taking a beating as part of the sewer installation program.

The street damage, however, is part of the price for the project.

Workmen are making satisfactory progress on the big digging job. One crew has moved northward on Orchard road to an area well past the intersection with Hill street. Excavating in that section is relatively easy but the line is very deep.

A second outfit is working in Church street between Angle and Market. Progress in that area has been tougher and slower.

Although she will be 98 years of age next Wednesday Miss Maria Hoffman has no special formula for longevity!

But — it would be safe to say that if one were writing a rule book about how to reach that age, he could use her life as the pattern.

Calmness and serenity would be two of the ingredients of the formula. Service to her family would be another. A sense of humor which shines through a pair of sparkling eyes even at 98 would be another. Too, parents who lived to be 84 and 88 would help.

She hears well, talks well, sees well and thinks well — and a visit to her home is like a spring tonic. Serenity is one of her pearls of age.

What does one do at age 98?

Well, Miss Hoffman, speaking only for herself; knits



Miss Maria Hoffman

booties — dozens of 'em; listens to her radio — station WDAC; reads her Bible — with the aid of a magnifying glass; does light housework — like peeling apples and po-

tatoes; and washes the dishes — breakfast only.

And, then with a big laugh, "You see, there are always fewer dishes for breakfast!"

And, speaking of breakfast

—she follows a menu most any doctor would set up as a prime health rule. She eats a good meal of hot cereal, an egg, toast, etc.

About the only concessions she would say that she makes is that she doesn't go out of the house any more and she would a little rather sit down than stand.

But, within the confines of her home on the Marietta road, between Mount Joy and Donegal high school, she and her niece, Miss Miriam Mellinger, are comfortable and secure. Miss Mellinger is 73.

Rounding out the "household," although they live in Lancaster, where they are nurses at the General hospital, are two grandnieces, Miss Alma Engle and Miss Marion Engle, daughters of Mrs. Mary Engle, a niece.

Miss Hoffman, who was (Turn to page 8)

What a man owns is in reverse ratio to the number of keys he lugs around.

### In College Play

Three area students of Messiah College, Grantham, will have parts in the school's Oct. 24 one-act play, "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich."

They are: Richard Wolgemuth and Dale Bicksler, both of Manheim, and Ken Brubaker of Mount Joy.

As part of the Homecoming Week end, the play will be presented in the Alumni auditorium.

### Plan Halloween Parade

Saturday night, Oct. 31, is the night the witches ride!

Or—in Mount Joy — they probably will walk—or again more properly, they will parade through the streets of the community in the annual Halloween promenade, sponsored by the Mount Joy Lions Club.

With the witches there will be goblins, spooks, hobos and a score of others — all

dressed and masked for the event.

Charles Ashenfelder, parade chairman, said this week that plans are virtually completed.

Marchers will form at 6:30 o'clock and step off at 7 p.m. sharp.

The route has been announced as follows:

Form at Market street and Columbia; north of Donegal street; west to New Haven; north to Main; east to Barbara; south to East Donegal; west on Columbia; south on Poplar to Donegal Annex.

At the school, prizes will be awarded in the following classifications:

Individuals (grade 1 to 8) — most comical, most original and fanciest;

Individuals (adults) — most comical, most original, and fanciest;

Couples (all ages) — most original and most comical;

Groups (three or more persons) — fanciest; most comical, largest group.

Best appearing float.

All children in costume and the Elementary Band members will receive candy bars.

The prize list for those judged winners totals \$385.

### New Firm Plans Building Project

A new corporation has been formed in the Columbia-Mount Joy area to be known as Johnson & Maurer Builders, Inc.

Offices will be located at 451 Locust St., Columbia, Charles Maurer, a Mount Joy builder, and Jack A. Johnson a Columbia realtor, are president and vice president respectively.

Purpose of the corporation will be to build custom homes. In addition, the corporation is authorized to buy, sell, exchange or trade real estate. Next week ground will be broken for two homes — the first of 120 planned to be built in Donegal Heights, near the Donegal high school. Total cost of the project will be \$2 million.

Age doesn't matter unless you are a cheese!!

### Donegal Derby On Nov. 7

A score of horses and ponies and probably more will participate in the annual Donegal Derby, set to be held Saturday afternoon, November 7, at Harold Ends-low's Donegal Airport.

Curvin Martin, general arranger of the fall "horse outing" said this week that again there will be both harness races and running races with

Ben F. Stoner will be race manager and announcer. Paul Erb will be official starter and judges will include John Wenger, Richard Rainbolt and Jesse Snavely, Jr.

An added feature this year will be a sale at which Frank Zink and John Wenger will have several head of ponies. Martin said this week that he has official entries of the following horses and ponies.

Horses—Irish Flax, owned and driven by James Johnson; Gladly Accepted, owned by Beechwood Farms and driven by Lew Sauter; Lady Beechwood, owned by Beechwood Farm and driven by John Nissley; P. J. Haven, owned and driven by Martin himself; Evelyda, owned and driven by Max Hempf; Meadow Laurel, owned by Hempf, (driver not announced); Rex, owned and ridden

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### Two-Piano Concert Set

Two of Mount Joy's best known and most talented musicians — Mrs. George Broske and Dr. David Schlosser — are to give a third two-piano concert at Donegal high school Saturday, November 7.

Sponsored by the Business and Professional Women's Club and the Mount Joy Rotary club, of which the artists are members, the concert will feature some of the beautiful and wonderful music known and loved by many.

Although their formal program is arranged, they have

promised at least one "surprise" which has not been discussed publicly.

Mrs. Broske is elementary music instructor in Donegal school district and conducts the Elementary school band while Dr. Schlosser is a well-known physician and a past president of the Donegal Union School District school board.

Both are regular church organists, the former for the Church of God and the latter for St. Luke's Episcopal church.

J. Richard Gerberich is chairman of the Rotary publicity committee, assisted by Glenn Forney and John Hart Chairman of the BPW committee is Mrs. John Wealand, assisted by Mrs. Samuel Balsbaugh, co-chairman. Committee members are Mrs. Marlyn Sinegar, president of BPW, Miss Nancy Sperling, Mrs. Ralph Thome, Mrs. John Stauffer, and Mrs. Nellie Vogel.

### New Phone Books

This week, the new directory of the Columbia Telephone company is being delivered to all subscribers.

Included in the new directory are many number changes which have occurred during the past year. More than 1000 of these number changes were due to subscribers who have upgraded their service, according to Henry Y. Smith, president.

To prevent delays in placing their calls, subscribers are urged to consult the new directory. They also are advised to throw away their old directory.

### 'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

She continued, "It occurred to me that the next best thing to her letters would be to have The Bulletin come each week with its news."

We can understand the (Turn to page 2)

As a public service. The Bulletin lists the following physician, who may be reached for emergency service or by those who are unable to contact their family physician:

Sunday

Dr. Newton Kendig

THIS ISSUE --

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### Local Firms Enter Industrial Show

Two local firms are exhibiting in the big Lancaster County Industrial Show, being staged this week at Stahr Armory in Lancaster.

They are: Mount Joy Millwork with a complete kitchen and family room and the New Standard corporation, which will highlight examples of the production of custom metal stamping and assemblies.

The show will close Friday night.

### Tribe Bows, 20-6 To Conestoga V.

With a couple of breaks and a good ground game, the visiting Conestoga Valley eleven marred Donegal's Home Coming football game Saturday, 26 to 0.

At the half, the two teams were tied, 6 to 6, but CV pushed across touchdowns in both the third and fourth quarters to make the big difference.

ond, driving 57 yards. Conestoga Valley had both second Donegal scored in the second TD's set up by interceptions.

This week the Tribe goes to Columbia. The following Saturday, Oct. 31, is blank on the Indians' schedule.

### IN HOSPITAL

Miss Betty Charles, Pinkerton road, is a surgical patient in the Lancaster General hospital.

A woman came into The Bulletin office one day last week to subscribe to the newspaper for a year.

There's nothing unusual about that. It happens every day. But the reason that this particular woman wanted The Bulletin WAS unusual.

She was Mrs. Harold Harman of Ventnor City, N. J., and for 43 years, since the time she moved away from Mount Joy, in 1921, she had received a letter every week from her sister, Mrs. Harry Derr, with news of family activities and also happenings in Mount Joy.

Mrs. Derr died just two weeks ago, on October 9.

"For 43 years, every week I had a letter!" Mrs. Harman said. "I looked forward to hearing from my sister, so much, and I am going to miss her letters now."