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SEVEN CENTS

Saturday's open house by Donegal Industries was so successful and so completely satisfactory that we can not help but wonder what a harvest of good will some other manufacturing plants in our area could have if they planned a similar Saturday afternoon.

It doesn't take a new factory as an excuse. An anniversary, a new paint job or the opportunity offered by some "national" week. There are "national" weeks for about every product you can think of from pickles to candy and from shoes to hats.

In considering the benefits of such an open house, we must think back to the opening of the Union National Bank's new building. That too was a big success.

Which reminds us that the Lancaster County Farmers National will have a somewhat similar event very soon.

It is evident that people are not only interested—they are eager to see the what and how in the manufacturing of products.

People want to see the inside workings of things.

Saturday, the women were fascinated to see the sewing together of the beautiful little slips for girls—ages 1 to 14. The men were equally fascinated to see how the machines are rigged to handle a tremendous volume of work.

And, the girls who operated the machines, the supervisors and the men, all were so very courteous and kind (and all of them dressed up)

## 'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

The month of December is a pleasant, interesting time in the Mount Joy area. It is the season of the priceless Christmas programs given by the elementary children, capably coached by Mrs. Geo. Broske and Mrs. Walter Sloan, with the help of the many teachers . . . it is the time of church bazaars, of beautiful concerts by the church choirs and the older "children" at Donegal high . . . it sees the appearance of the community Christmas tree and the reappearance of the colorful lights on and in homes all over town.

Downtown Mount Joy becomes festive with the lighted wreaths on lamp posts and the gay interesting windows of the Mount Joy merchants, beckoning the Christmas shopper.

Singly, and in groups, women carry out the annual tradition of making Christmas candies, cookies and fruit cake . . . children pray for snow . . . the little orphans of the Messiah Home are taken on their annual shopping tour by the Jaycees, and fed and helped with the wrapping of their gifts by the Joycees . . . There are parties . . . there is carolling . . . baskets are packed for the needy . . . trees are trimmed, stockings hung . . .

## Presbyterian Churches Extend Call to Pastor

The Rev. Harry A. Freebairn, associate minister of Calvary United Presbyterian church of Highland Park, in Upper Darby, Pa., has been issued a call to fill the pulpit of the Mount Joy and Donegal Presbyterian churches.

At congregational meetings of the two churches, held on Sunday morning following a trial sermon by Rev. Freebairn, he was unanimously selected.

He is expected to come to Mount Joy not later than February 1.

The call was given on the 125th anniversary of the organization of the Mount Joy church.

## Student Teacher Day at Annex

The Donegal Annex is planning to hold a Student Day on Wednesday, Dec. 16, in all classes. Each class will elect a student to be their teacher. So that the students will have time to prepare for this assignment, the election will be one week before the Teacher Day. A student may be a teacher in only one period.

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Hempfield Singers will present their Christmas program at Chiques Methodist church, Route 230 east of Mt. Joy, on Sunday, Dec. 13, at 7:30 p.m.

The Singers are the Choral group of Hempfield high school. The director is Richard Kline.

We have mentioned our recently-acquired interest in antiques, and the fun it is to "hunt them out" in shops throughout the county and at auction sales.

One of our most recent acquisitions is one of which we are particularly proud. It

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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. John Gates

## Citizen Objects To 'Secret' Voting By Mount Joy Borough Council

Question of the legality of a "secret" vote by the Borough Council erupted Monday night at the local body's December meeting, held at the fire hall.

A citizen, armed with law book, first asked that the minutes of the November meeting be read. The unusual action required 22 minutes of reading by the secretary.

The citizen then referred to the "secret" ballot taken to elect a borough policeman

and displayed his law book. The secretary read the section of the book which was alleged to apply.

There was no resolution of the legality of the matter but later in the meeting, Council recognized the point and voted that the previous action be nullified and that the vote be taken again. By voice vote, Sylvester Swords was named a police patrolman, unanimously.

A letter from the state

highway department approved speed limits on Donegal Springs road, making a 35-mile-per-hour top on the section east of Cross Roads church and 40-miles-per-hour westward to Spookey Hill, the borough limits.

It was noted that four lights have been erected around Memorial park, that another will be erected soon behind the Acme store and that on Monday a compact-

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## Indians Clobber Pequea Valley By Wide Count

With a big 65 - 38 count, the Donegal Indians whammed Pequea Valley in the home floor opener of the season on Friday night, Dec. 4th.

From the first, it was the Tribe all the way. After jumping to a 20 - 5 lead in the first quarter, the Indians maintained a brisk pace and led 31 to 13 at the half.

At the three-quarter pole it was 46 to 27 and that was the story. It was their second win in two starts.

The truth of the matter is that there was just too much Rice & Brown and company for the visitors.

The former poured through 21 points on 10 fielders and a single free toss while Brown was treading on his heels with nine fielders and a pair of charity ringers.

Frank pushed through an even dozen points. The best the Valley boys could do was an 11-point try by Reynolds who did it on four baskets and three free ones.

The J.V.'s, had a good evening, breaking out of the loss column with a 48-17 victory.

Friday, the tribe goes to Penn Manor. Next Tuesday (the 15th) to Lampeter-Strasburg.

On Sunday, Dec. 6, a Surprise Drop-In was held in honor of the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Nolt, South Jacob street, Mount Joy by their children.

Approximately 40 relatives and friends were there.

## School Board Picks Charles

J. Edward Charles, for many years a school director, has been elected president of the Donegal Union District schools.

He was named Monday night at the annual organization meeting of the school board, held in the Donegal high school library. He succeeds Dr. Thomas Mariner, who has been head of the board for two years.

Charles has held the presidency previously. Prior to serving the Union district he was a member of the East

Donegal township school directors' board and of the Donegal Jointure.

The only other officer chosen on Monday night was Dr. David Schlosser, who will be vice-president next year.

The secretary and the treasurer will be named in May of 1965.

Dr. Mariner was elected representative to the Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau and Martin Musser was named alternate.

The board renamed K. D. Shirk as its solicitor.

## Digging On South Side

Sewer construction in the Florin area continues to progress.

Tuesday first digging on the south side of the Pennsylvania railroad began at the corner of Market avenue and Wood street. The big digging machine moved eastward from that point.

Although all laying of mains on the north side of the railroad is not completed and two crews are still at work, the end is in sight and only a few "runs" remain to be done.

One stretch is Pink alley, which involves settlement of right of way arrangements. That stretch is one which involves use of a considerable section of the sewer system on the north side of Route 230.

In the meantime, the Mt. Joy Borough Authority has filed eminent domain proceedings to take lands be-

longing to Irvin R. Musser, Mount Joy R1, deemed necessary for use in building a pumping station and other facilities connected with the sewer system.

## FREE PARKING

Mount Joy's business district will have a "parking meter holiday"!

By vote of the Borough Council Monday night, Dec. 7, parking meters will not be enforced from Friday, December 11 (Friday of this week) through January 2, 1965.

By unanimous vote, the Council acted favorably upon a request made by letter from the Mount Joy Chamber of Commerce and its retail merchants' division.

A similar "vacation" was granted last year during the Christmas shopping season.

## National-Standard Has Good Year

"The 1964 year was very successful."

That is the statement of Thomas H. Pearce, president of National-Standard, in the company's annual report, issued this week following the close of the fiscal year on Sept. 30, 1964.

Although Mount Joy is only part of the big N-S operation, Mount Joy was one of the facets of the business which helped to make the year successful.

Two paragraphs from the report to stockholders concern the opening of the Mt. Joy facility. They state:

"Our new wire manufacturing plant in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania, was completed in 1964 in record time and well below cost estimates.

Now in operation, this facility is probably the most efficient wire plant in the country. The total cost of this plant, financed over two fiscal years, is approximately \$3 million, 70 percent of which is machinery and equipment.

"The Mount Joy plant operates as part of the National-Standard Division in Niles, and was established to serve eastern wire customers. Physically, the plant is a one-story building covering 120,000 square feet. It will employ approximately 100 people."

The report showed a total net income of \$3.968 million, highest in the company's history, and earnings equivalent to \$3.25 a share. The com-

pany has paid cash dividends for 49 consecutive years. This year the annual rate was \$1.50 per share, which is a company record of continually increasing profit return to stockholders.

National-Standard has operated at a profit for 58 consecutive years.

Mr. Pearce said, "Achieving these sales and earnings is particularly gratifying in view of major price reductions which we made in several types of carbon steel wire. These price adjustments have helped us competitively in obtaining new orders, and were possible only because of the production efficiencies which have resulted from our continuing capital investment program."