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by R. A. R.

Last week the state handed the borough council a report of its finding during a recent survey of Mount Joy. Our borough is no worse and probably better than some areas.

However, when these inspectors see open 55-gallon drums used for storage and burning of refuse, they are unhappy. They say that 84% of the homes in the borough use that questionable method.

They recommend tightly covered containers for storage and no open burning.

Two other areas pointed to as needing attention are "mosquito breeding sources" and "rodent harborages." Such things which provide temporary or permanent breeding places for mosquitos are streams, ponds, swamps, water accumulations in old tires, open containers, tin cans, open ditches. Rodent harborages refer to deteriorating out buildings, improperly stored junk, lumber and rubble.

Borough Council took a good step last week when it said that it would make a survey of traffic control signs, stop streets etc. in Mount Joy.

The promise was made when the subject of New Haven and Donegal street intersection was raised.

This past weekend, we note there was a bad accident at Concord and Frank streets. There are no stop signs at that corner.

Within a few years, it is predicted by those who know we no longer will have feet and inches, pounds, pints, quarts and gallons or any of the other familiar weights and measures.

Already, the United States is the only major country in the world not now using the metric system to weigh and measure.

Sooner than we think we will be speaking of meters, kilns, liters and the like. For those of us who learned and have used the present system for so many years, it will be a big change. However, for the youngsters, the system is much much simpler and much more meaningful.

The new things are not hard for the children (the new math system, for instance). It's the teaching of new tricks to the old dogs that causes the difficulty.

"The needs of science and industry in a competitive world market will compel this country to use the metric system just as every other country in the world is doing," one official states.

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. David Schlosser

Miss Terri Toth To Have Lead In Senior Play

Miss Terri Toth, has been chosen to play the lead in the Donegal senior class play, entitled "Molly Morgan".

To be presented January 27 and 29 in the Donegal H. S. auditorium, the drama is a three-act production with settings in the village of "The Pastures of Heaven," California. Miss Catherine G. Zeller is director.

Additional seniors have character parts, including, Fred Gantz, Linda Zerphey, Rodney Rice, Steve Reinhold, Donna Fethers, Anne Heisey, Carol Aurick, Steve Billet, Roy Arnold, Mike Kear, James Libhart, Larry Way, Barret Borry, Lilli Ann Wivell, Linda Copenheaver, Karen Hoffman, Sherril Gutshall, Susan Zuch, Ted Fellenbaum, Karen Rice, and Michael Rice little brother, a fifth grader.

Student directors are Becky Kling, Jean Musser, Gail Simmons and Marilyn Baker.

Alumni To Drill For Ball Game

Holiday basketball for Donegal high school will center around a colorful game Tuesday night, Dec. 28.

Indian varsity of 1965-'66 and the J.V.'s will play two teams of former Donegal stars. Alumni arrangements are in the hands of the school's alumni organization, of which James Nissley is president.

The Alcms will hold a practice at the Donegal gymnasium on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 26, and all those interested in playing are invited to report. Any player who is interested in playing but who can not make the practice session should contact President Nissley.

Union Bank Holds Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Union National Mount Joy Bank was held on Thursday evening, Dec. 9, at Hostetter's dining hall.

The dinner was opened with the invocation by Mrs. Anna Sprecher.

Lester G. Hostetter, trust officer, served as the toastmaster for the program. Special recognition was given to Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Schroll as new director, and Mrs. Jay Snyder as a new employee. Also present as special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harris C. Arnold and son, Harris Arnold, Jr., Mrs. Ruth Krall, wife of the former cashier, and Mrs. Cleo Shank, wife of a former assistant cashier.

Norman H. Sprecher, assistant cashier was acknowledged for 44 years of service.

Mrs. Clarence Newcomer favored the guests with a reading. The McCaskey Choiristers under the direction of Miss Dorothy Schock, presented carols of the Christmas season.

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Big Annual Rush Begins At Post Office

The annual mail rush in Mount Joy is now in its second phase — headed for a grand finale the first and middle of next week.

First indications that Christmas is on its way comes

to the post office when a surge of incoming packages begins appearing.

These are of two kinds. 1 - merchandise arriving for merchants who were getting in last-minute shipments, and

2 - early Christmas shoppers who have been doing their buying by mail.

Postal mail handlers notice an increased number of packages arriving from well-known mail order houses. These, they assume are part of the Christmas buildup.

Then, a few days later, early greeting-card mailers begin bumping up the mail volume.

This week, the Mount Joy post office is beginning to feel the weight of holiday mailing as interesting looking pieces of mail from all over begin arriving.

This phase of the rush is expected to build until Monday, when, in all probability, the number of mail will hit or near its peak.

By Wednesday, the crush should be subsiding and — if they're lucky — by Thursday things will begin to be better.

Then,—again a big IF — Friday of next week should be back to nearing normal. By Christmas eve in the past few years, the local office has been able to "clean up" its Christmas load and have its part of Santa Claus activities well under control.

A Christmas Thief - - -

Just what makes a Christmas thief tick?

That is the question being asked by several people in the community this week.

With Christmas less than 10 days away, one of the things which makes the season colorful and interesting are the many many displays of colored lights around the area.

Yet — one of the current problems of the police dept. is the theft of light bulbs and the tampering with electric

light systems.

Ben Gainer, south Angle street, is "hopping" mad about the situation after bulbs have been stolen, and wires cut.

In fact, he said that he would give a reward for information leading to the apprehension of those who have been bothering his extensive lighting system.

One youngster — in the same neighborhood — was grabbed "in the act" of taking bulbs. Police report he was about the most scared kid that had been seen in that neighborhood.

Residents throughout the borough have made complaints — but none of them have an answer to what makes a "bulb snatching" Christmas thief.

Masonic Lodge Elects Officers

Charles W. Brooks, Elizabethtown R3, has been elected worshipful master of Caspita Lodge #551, Free and Accepted Masons.

He was named at an election held Friday, Dec. 3, in the lodge hall on West Main street, Mount Joy.

Others elected to office include:

Rollin Steinmetz, senior warden; Leonard G. Snyder, junior warden; C. Bernerd Grissinger, secretary and Dr. Thomas O'Connor, treasurer.

The following trustees were re-elected: Clifford L. Coleman, William D. Batzel and Christ Walters.

Oliver K. Snyder Jr., was named representative in the grand lodge.

Bank Announces Extra Dividend

Directors of the Union National Mount Joy Bank have declared a special dividend of 50 cents per share, payable Dec. 20 to shareholders of record Dec. 9.

This brings the dividend for the year to \$1.95 per share.

Wins Award At Hershey School

A local boy, Ronald Alleman, son of Mrs. Fern Alleman, 205 East Main street, has been granted the coveted Spartan Swater Award at Milton Hershey School. He maintained specified requirements for a full calendar year in scholarship, personal citizenship, and school activity. A senior, 17, Ronald is taking the college preparatory technical curriculum, majoring in electronics.

He is a member of the Drill Team.

Applications for the award were screened during the first month of the school year, and for boys qualifying, personal sweaters were then ordered. These are traditionally presented just prior to Christmas and this year were presented the first week in December.

Donegal Splits Success

Donegal's '65-'66 basketballers split their success this week, winning on Friday night and stumbling Tuesday.

Against Pequea Valley, on Tuesday, the count was 53 - 41 and the season now stands at 1 and 2.

George Berryhill was top scorer, hitting for 13 points. Next best was seven, by Stan Koser.

Donegal trailed at the end of every period — 6 - 3; 19 - 15; 37 - 26.

In the J.V. game, Donegal's beginners knocked out a nice fat 47 - 24 victory.

With a whopping 24-point barrage by George Berryhill to show them the way, Donegal's Indians Friday night clipped Lampeter-Strasburg, 67 to 63.

It was the first win of the season for the Tribe, as it works its way into the new basketball campaign.

The game was played at Donegal.

Gary Gohn had 11 points and Dennis Gohn, 10.

It was a tough affair, the Indians taking a 15-12 quarter lead, holding a slim 35-32 advantage at the half and a 50-44 lead at the three-quarter.

Victory actually came from the foul line, L-S had 27 field goals and Donegal 26. But, the free ones were 15

for the winners and only nine for the losers.

In the preliminary, Donegal's J.V.'s took a 45-24 win.

Friday night the Tribe moves into another kind of competition, playing on the home floor with Manheim Central as the opposition.

Next Tuesday Donegal goes to Elizabethtown.

Shopping Trip For Youngsters

The annual Christmas shopping trip for the boys and girls from the Messiah home, sponsored by the Mount Joy Junior Chamber of Commerce and assisted by the Joyceettes, will be held Saturday, December 18.

Accompanied by members of the Jaycees, the youngsters will have cash in their pockets, provided by the Jaycees, and shopping lists in their hands.

After the shopping expedition, the boys and girls will go to the fire hall, where the members of the Joyceettes (Joycees) will be equipped with Christmas wrapping materials and adult supervision for making pretty packages.

Later there will be refreshments.

There's Still Some Mystery

No one believes that the truth has been fully told yet, although there seems to be evidence that a rash of "flying saucers" has been explained.

For several weeks there have been numerous reports of unidentified flying objects in the immediate vicinity of Mount Joy. Whether there were not some kind of lights in the darkened sky seemed indisputable.

But, what they were or their origin was not explained.

Saturday night, however, Police Chie Bruce Kline found a bouquet of colored, balloons caught conveniently on the fence at Washington school.

Attached to the strings was an uncertain contraption of fuses, dynamite caps and other equipment.

One theory about the finding of the balloons is that the "mystery" now has been solved.

Another is that someone is standing in the corner smirking about a big fat hoax.