

## Doesn't like "Adam & Eve"

Dear Editor:

Most of the time I enjoy your paper, but every once in awhile it gets me down.

For example, reading Adam and Eve gets me down. All those men and women so beautifully happy with each other - forever.

Sometimes I just don't believe your Adam and Eve columns. I say to myself: no man and woman can get along that well.

If I don't believe Adam and Eve columns I feel pretty good.

But then I get a nagging doubt: maybe the columns are true. Maybe some husbands and wives really are that happy. When I believe Adam and Eve columns I feel terrible.

You'd feel terrible too - if you had been married twice, and failed both times. When I read Adam and Eve and believe what I read I always ask myself: what is wrong with you, John E. Rivermoore? If all these other people have such happy marriages, why didn't you? Is everything your ex-wives said about you, true? ...And I get to feeling awful.

Well, Adam and Eve may be true, but even if it is, there are a lot of married men and women who aren't Adams and Eves.

For example, a female friend of mine told me last week she is leaving her husband after five years of marriage and two children, because she found a perfumed love letter to him which he apparently had hid under the carpet. She never would have found the letter if the edge of the rug hadn't been turned up a little, and she tripped over it. She nearly broke her neck, she said, and then she saw this letter lying there.

It was full of "darlings" and "sweeties" and compliments on what a great lover he was. My friend said that lately at home her husband had been about as loving as Adolph Hitler.

What really burned up my friend was that the little doll who was writing him this letter told him also what a great poet he was, somebody like Milton or Shakespeare. As an example of his immortal verse the doll quoted this line in her

letter: "How your youthful bosom swelled in the moonlight!"

It was that line of romantic physiology that had made my friend decide to leave her husband - because he had sent her a poem with that very same line before they had been married. At that time, when my friend had first read the line and had, of course, taken it as a reference to her own beautiful body, she had been deeply moved by a pleasing emotion. But, now, reading it referring to his girl friend's body, she was deeply moved by an unpleasant emotion.

I'm not sure whether she is leaving her husband because of jealousy, or because of a loss of respect for his literary abilities.

Your old employee,  
John E. Rivermoore

## Parents can teach kids how to read

By Linda Boozer

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All parents want their children to succeed in school. Parents can prepare their children for success in reading and related language activities before they enter school. The Donegal School District is sponsoring a two session workshop for parents of children ages 4 - 6. The first session will be held in the Seiler Elementary School on January 21 at 7:30 p.m. in the all purpose room. Session two will be held in the Riverview building on January 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the large group instruction room. Refreshments will be served at both Tuesday night sessions.

Miss Jean Doll, reading expert from the Lancaster Lebanon Intermediate Unit 13, will be presenting parents with suggestions for readiness activities to do at home. Materials will be provided so that some activities can be constructed at the Workshop and taken home. Both mothers and fathers are invited.

Please call the Seiler building (653-5117) on January 17th or 20th if you plan to attend. If for any reason you do not call the school first, please come anyway. Help to make learning to read a happy experience for your child!

## Junior play Feb. 20, 21

"Time Out for Ginger," a three-act comedy, will be presented by the Junior Class of Donegal High School on Friday and Saturday, February 20 and 21, at eight o'clock in the high school auditorium.

Karen Thompson will play the title role. Her father, the male lead, will be portrayed by David Presto.

Other cast members are as follows: Jean Bixler, Sue Bender, Sue Williams, Tammy Newcomer, Ted Hershey, Steven Zerphey, James Byrd and Jeffrey Boulton.

Anita Tignanelli has been chosen as student director, and Vickie Lilly will be stage manager. Miss Catharine Zeller, English teacher, is the faculty director.

### TOPS MEETS

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will be meeting every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at the Marietta Community House. The meetings are open to all interested women. Call Mrs. Darlene Williams for further information, 426-1380.

### DID YOU HEAR...

Mrs. Sam Deppeler of Maytown has a mysterious benefactor. She woke up in the morning after last week's snow storm to find that some unknown person had shoveled her walks AND built her a snowman outside her kitchen window.

### GRAND SQUARE CLUB TO HOLD DANCE

The Grand Square Club of Lancaster will hold a "Snowflake Dance" at the Willow Street Vo-Tech School at 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. on January 18.

### DID YOU HEAR...

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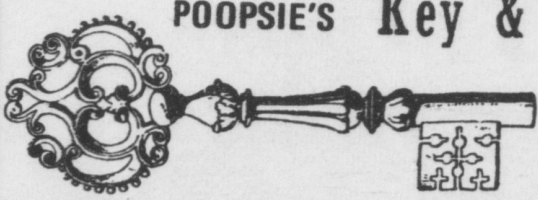
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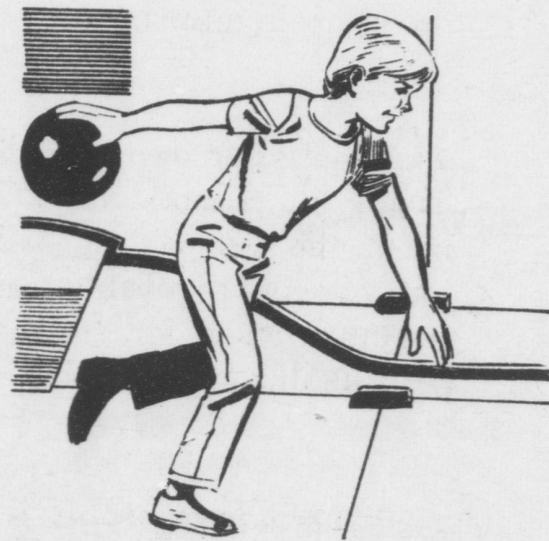
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