

## Survey finds citizens reasonably satisfied

According to preliminary results of a survey conducted by the borough council, the citizens of Mount Joy are fairly content with life in their town.

The survey was conducted as part of a newsletter sent out by the borough to all its residents.

So far, 255 questionnaires have been returned. Deadline for receiving further questionnaires sent out with the newsletter is June 20.

The table below shows relative satisfaction and dissatisfaction with various aspects of life in Mount Joy. (Answers do not always total 255, because some people did not answer every question.)

SUBJECT	SATISFIED	DISSATISFIED
Fire protection	245	5
Garbage service	240	10
Leaf pick-up	222	13
Parks	218	30
Street plowing and salting	215	32
Borough office service	197	19
Police protection	188	55
Street lights	184	64
Service received for taxes	175	60
Condition of streets	136	118

Most dissatisfaction was expressed about condition of streets.

Here are the things liked most about Mount Joy:

Small town character	200
Good place to raise children	131
Close to work	101

Major problems seen by the respondents were:

Properties should be cleaned up or condemned	120
Community center needed	91
Need more stores	73
Need movie theater	74
Storm drainage	67
Street maintenance	64
Poor management in schools	63
Better police force	58

Some specific questions asked were:

Should boro reduce taxes and cut back services?  
Yes—126 No—196

Should boro establish historical district like Lititz?  
Yes—126 No—106

Should boro issue more newsletters?  
Yes—131 No—20

How often?  
4 times a year—91  
2 times a year—105  
1 time a year—24

What should be done with railroad bridges?  
Close off unessential bridges 113  
Borrow money and repair 126  
Let deteriorate 11

## Letters to the editor

I really enjoyed Poems and Sonnets from 'Saga of the Susquehanna' by Chester Wittell which appeared in your June 4 edition. My grandmother is a long time subscriber to your paper and I enjoy reading it when she is finished. I was especially interested in 'The Old Railroad Station' since the poem is about my birthplace. You see, while my father was in the service, my mother and grandmother were living in an apartment

on the second floor on the station. I arrived on the scene on January 28, 1943. Since being born in a Railroad Station seems quite out of the ordinary, I feel correct in assuming that I am the only person ever to be born in 'The Old Railroad Station' at Mount Joy. Thanks to you and to Mr. Wittell for providing a memento of my past.

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Ruth McConnell

## Ruth McConnell heads Maytown Legion Aux.

Ruth L. McConnell, Maytown, was elected president of the Maytown American Legion Auxiliary Unit 809 at their monthly meeting, Monday, June 9.

Ruth has been active in the auxiliary for the past four years. During that time she has served on numerous committees and has held several offices.

Other incoming officers elected at the meeting are: Mrs. Chester Yordy, first vice-president; Mrs. Norman Leas, second vice-president; Mrs. Paul Hossler, Secretary; Mrs. Henry Haines, Treasurer; Mrs. Ben Stark, Chaplain; Mrs. George McConnell, Sgt. at Arms; and Mrs. Robert White, Historian.

## Fire companies avert hay fire at Erb farm

Friendship Fire Company #1 and Florin Fire Company of Mount Joy were summoned by Friendship Fire Chief Frank Good to the Gerald Erb farm, Mount Joy, R.D. No. 1.

Chief Good was alerted when Erb became concerned about the heat in hay bales stored in his barn.

Good arrived at the Erb farm at 8:01 p.m. Tuesday evening and checked the temperature of the hay.

After 1 hour and 38 minutes the temperature

had reached a high of 174 degrees and Good made the decision to have the hot stuff removed, thus preventing what could have been a major fire.

Approximately 30 men from each company responded and along with neighbors summoned by Erb removed about one third of the 4,000 bales of hot hay from the structure.

The volunteers remained at the scene until Chief Good announced that it was then secure.

## Les Reinhart's work at Mack's Brewery

A retrospective exhibit of work by local artist Les Reinhart will open on June 23 for two weeks at the Mack Brewery, Pat Abel's recently opened antique shop, located at 139 E. Market St. in Marietta. Emphasis will be on oils and watercolors depicting Lancaster County and the Chesapeake Bay area, Maine scenes and still lifes, travel sketches and graphics, in addition to work in silk screen and pastels.

Born in Lancaster, the son of Harry and Martha Reinhart, Les was a well-known name in Lancaster art circles in the mid-1900's. He studied art at the Wilmington Academy of Fine Arts, where he won the scholarship for design.

He was one of the originators and a president of the Lancaster Sketch Club, a forerunner of the Lancaster Art Association. His pictures have been exhibited in New York, Philadelphia, New Jersey, Delaware, and in several traveling art shows. He is listed in the Young Artists Group of Who's Who in American Art. In addition, he did a series of Lancaster County scenes for the Lancaster Newspapers, known as the 'Lancaster Sketch Book'.

In the last years of his life he was searching for a new art form, represented by his last painting, the self-portrait of an artist in agonizing transition, a period abruptly ended by his untimely death in 1971.

The Mack Brewery seems an appropriate place for a showing of Reinhart's work. Pat Abel, the young proprietor, has been a friend and admirer of Reinhart's since his childhood. Moreover, the building has the local color that always delighted the artist. The brewery operated from about 1830 to

1870. A part of the original vault is still in existence, and is gradually being excavated by Pat and his brother Mike, who owns it.

Pat selected the name the 'Mack Brewery' because one of the numerous (at least six) owners were the three Mack brothers, an accountant, a brewer and a cooper.

The shop is a charming collection of the artifacts of the period during which the brewery operated and contains many memorabilia of Lancaster's history.

Please note--The brewery itself is not open to the public. Hours for the exhibit are from 1 to 5 p.m.

## RACHEL HEISTAND RETIRES

An employee with over 22 years of service at the Elizabethtown Hospital for Children and Youth has put away her microscope and other hematology effects this week.

Mrs. Rachel F. Heistand, Medical Technologist, will retire from the Hospital laboratory in which she has worked since May 1, 1953. In June, 1961, Mrs. Heistand was appointed Chief of the laboratory operation, and she has retained that position to retirement.

She and her husband Claude, reside at R.D.#4, Manheim.

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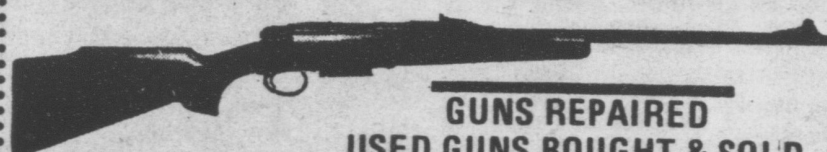
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