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As in years gone by, nature smiled benignly upon the NNRC and ideal weather greeted members and their friends when they assembled at Mapine Farm, Lansdale, Pa. on Sunday, June 24th, the occasion of the Club's Annual Summer Convention. NNRCers came from near and far with Vice-President and Mrs. Hank Tyndall copping the prize for members attending from the greatest distance. Runners-up were Editor and Mrs. Carleton Lord of Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kemp from Waterbury, Conn. and our good friend, Charlie Conley of Lemoyne, Pa. who made the 200 mile round trip to be present at his first NNRC gathering.

Baltimore was ably represented by the Rooster Hahn Clan and Charlie McCormick. Regrettably, illness in the family prevented Editor and Mrs. Carroll Weyrich from being present and also Bill and Mrs. Bauer who planned to make the trip with the Weyrichs. Ed and Lin Walzer and Bill and Cele Fallender were on hand to make sure that the New Jersey Coast had a voice in the proceedings.

From the "sticks" in Jersey came Mr. and Mrs. Roy X. Utter of Succasunna; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Norman of Pompton Lakes and Bob Knox of Sparta, who, having completed another semester at Lehigh University, is back home on Summer vacation. Incidentally, Les and Bea Kraemer of Newark made the trip to Lansdale the easy way. They rode up to Succasunna and sponged a ride in the Utter's new Ford.

There were games and prizes galore with last year's horseshoe pitching champs, Murray Buitekant and Matty Williams turning back the opposition although it must be admitted they had several narrow squeaks. Secretary Ben Feinstein still insists that the two aforementioned trick artists dug deep into the bag to come out on top. In second place came George Walls and Art Teuscher who likewise think they were victimized by the champs when the measuring stick was brought into play. The Feinstein-Potts combination finished in third place with Ben still claiming "we was robbed." And it should be mentioned here that the Sauerbier-Norman, Tyndall-Utter and Knox-Kemp duos furnished some pretty stiff competition and were deserving of a better fate.

In the 15 Bingo contests the winners were Mrs. Betty Lord, Mrs. Helen Potts, Mrs. Bea Kraemer, Miss Shirley Aist, Mrs. Mary Robinson, Mrs. Hazel Kemp, Mrs. Cele Fallender, Mrs. Katherine Walls, Mrs. Clara Tyndall, Mrs. Melba Teuscher and Mrs. Eleanor Daneker.

And when it came to tossing that bean bag, well, the boys with their glass arms, didn't look so good. Winners were Mrs. Betty Lord, Mrs. Hazel Kemp, Mrs. Marion Hahn, Mrs. Pearl Hahn, Mrs. Lin Walzer, Mrs. Cele Fallender and Mrs. Katherine Walls.

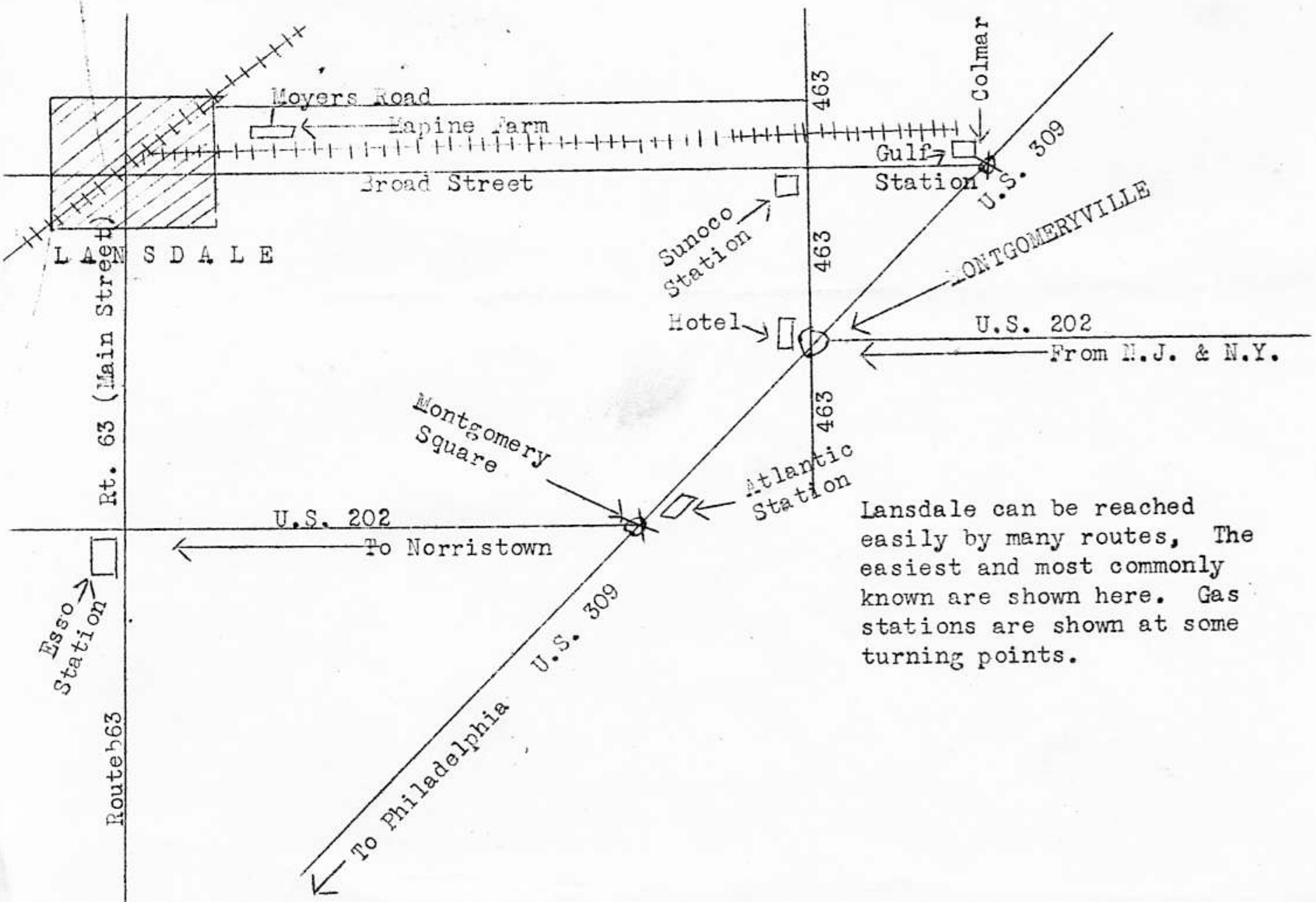
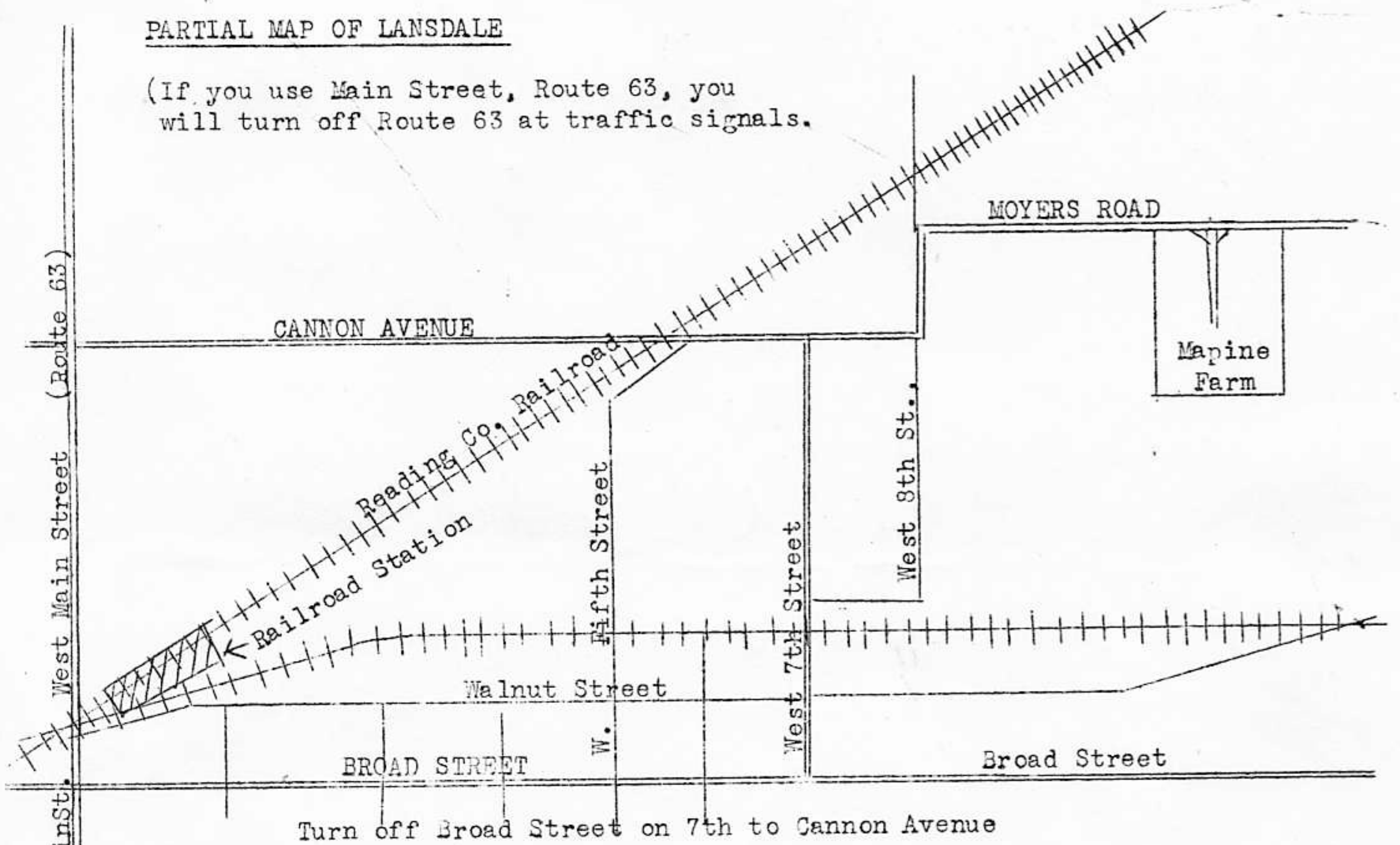
Festivities were highlighted by the presentation of "The Man of the Year" award to Vice-President John W. Reichert by Les Kraemer, chairman of the Club's awards committee. The award is in the form of a handsome engraved plaque donated every year by Vice-President Harold Robinson. It goes to the member who, in the committee's opinion, has done the most for the Club in the past year.

This year's gathering was overshadowed by the knowledge that it is the last one that will be held at Mapine Farm as our hosts, Harold and Mary Robinson, announced that it had been sold and that they are leaving it in September. However, there was good news too, for Harold and Mary have purchased a new and larger farm in the Perkiomen Valley, twelve miles distant from Lansdale and assured us that everything will be in readiness for us to gather there next Summer.

In conclusion we wish to express our appreciation to our hosts for a delightful day and to Dick Daneker and Vince Stasen who were in charge of arrangements for the day and who turned in a bang-up job. To V.P. Jake Goldstein goes our thanks also for helping the ladies by calling out the numbers in Bingo and for the refreshment and smokes he so generously provided. See you all next year.

PARTIAL MAP OF LANSDALE

(If you use Main Street, Route 63, you will turn off Route 63 at traffic signals.)



Lansdale can be reached easily by many routes, The easiest and most commonly known are shown here. Gas stations are shown at some turning points.