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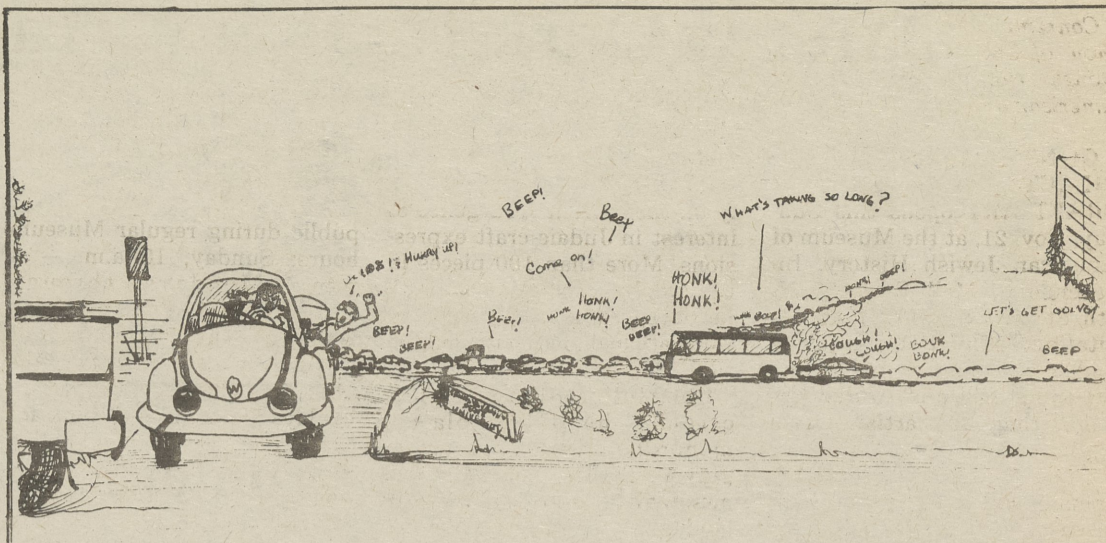
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News From Harrisburg

HARRISBURG (Nov. 29) — In celebration of the 300th anniversary of the first settlement of Germans in the Commonwealth, Gov. and Mrs. Dick Thornburgh opened an exhibit of Pennsylvania German folk art at the Governor's Home.

The collection of Fraktur and samplers on display — the 14th exhibit in the governor's "Salute to Pennsylvania's Artistic Heritage" — is from the Pennsylvania German Imprint Collection of Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster.

"Ginny and I are especially pleased to participate in the celebration of the 300th anniversary of the Pennsylvania German community," Thornburgh said. "This exhibit serves as a fine example of the cultural legacy that has contributed to the illustrious heritage of Pennsylvania."

The exhibit of 51 Fraktur and 20 samplers will be on display during the special "Holiday Tour" of the Home, scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 5, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The decorative manuscript writing, which is the essence of Fraktur, originated in central and western Europe and was brought to Pennsylvania by Germans who migrated here in search of religious and economic freedom in 1683.

Traditionally, Fraktur was used to record important family events. The exhibit includes examples of recorded events most commonly written in the illuminated manuscripts, such as births (Geburts) and baptism (Taufschien). Also on display is another form of Fraktur called the Vorschrift, which was a memento generally given to a pupil by a teacher which il-

lustrated how one formed letters, and contained a reminder of the moral ideals the school hoped to develop.

The needlework samplers included in the exhibit range from the alphabet (generally a first endeavor) to more sophisticated biblical quotations, verses, and traditional German designs which were used as the pattern to decorate towels, tablecloths and other linens.

The Fraktur on exhibit is from the extensive collection acquired by Franklin and Marshall College in 1954. The Fraktur is housed in Shadefackenthal Library and the samplers in the North Museum of Franklin and Marshall College.

The exhibit will be on display at the Governor's Home until Jan. 5, 1983.

From The Editor

Merry Christmas! It won't be long now until we see the end of the Winter Term and the beginning of the Spring Term. At a mental loss for a sermon I just want to take up this space to mention a few things.

First off, I regret that the *Lion's Eye* made some errors in the last issue and now we would like to recognize them. To George Betancourt: In the last issue we neglected to mention your name as one of the photographers who took pictures for our Spirit Week page. You did take pictures for us, and excellent ones too.

To Langston Hughes, where ever you may be, we regret that we incorrectly noted the author of your poem, "Dawn." By coincidence it is the same name

of a song written by a Mr. Dunbar in 1905. Hmhmhmhm.

Next, BUY A CLASSIFIED AD!!!!. Sell your puppy, car, house, Swiss bank account, shoelace, friend, your friends car, anything at all. If it has a price tag, the *Lion's Eye* can help sell it! We also print personal messages too. Ads are \$1 for 20 words.

Finally, in the upcoming issues of the *Lion's Eye*, Mike Grogan will continue his report on efforts to solve the hazardous problem of traffic here at the Delaware County Campus. We need your thoughts and comments so that we, the campus students, can suggest a solution to this problem.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
 Peter D. Cook, Editor

Funding for Highways

HARRISBURG (Nov. 23) — Gov. Dick Thornburgh today issued the following statement on the endorsement today by President Reagan of a program to fund a nationwide highway and bridge construction effort:

"I applaud President Reagan's decision to endorse the proposal put forward by U.S. Transportation Secretary Drew Lewis to make additional federal revenues available for the rebuilding of our nation's highways and bridges, which would generate significant employment in the steel industry and construction trades in Pennsylvania.

"In light of the tremendous potential for stimulating employment and economic development through the rebuilding of our highways and bridges, it is all the more critical that the General

Assembly act swiftly to prevent the loss by Pennsylvania of federal highway funds that could result from a 1978 auto emissions inspection consent decree.

"Early action on the proposal to greatly increase our bridge reconstruction efforts in Pennsylvania is also important to create several thousand additional jobs and escalate the timetable for critical bridge replacement and repair.

"While we have already made significant progress in Pennsylvania rebuilding our highways and bridges, there is much more to be done, and the potential of additional federal revenues can serve to further our own efforts in this area.

"As lead governor for highways on the Transportation, Commerce and

Technology Committee of the National Governors' Association, I have urged the federal government to consider alternatives for the turnback of federal funds to states to finance needed improvements in our transportation systems and create jobs which result from such efforts. I will continue to work for an allocation system of federal dollars that will give states maximum flexibility to make decisions that meet our specific needs.

"Through our efforts to stabilize our own highway revenues, we have taken Pennsylvania from dead last to first among the 50 states in attracting federal highway funds. The potential of additional federal revenues means that we could be in a position to significantly expand our already considerable efforts in this area."

Bridge Rebuilding

HARRISBURG (Nov. 30) — Gov. Dick Thornburgh today congratulated the Pennsylvania General Assembly for approving legislation that will enable the Commonwealth to embark on the nation's largest bridge rebuilding program.

With bipartisan support the General Assembly passed administration-endorsed legislation, which earmarks more than \$1.4 billion for bridge reconstruction projects that will eliminate costly detours in the state's highway and local road networks, generate 20,000 construction-related jobs annually, and will increase demand for Pennsylvania steel and concrete products.

The governor stated: "Passage of a program which will allocate more than \$200 million a year to restore or

replace nearly 1,000 bridges over the next six years will be recognized as a major contribution to Pennsylvania by the 1981-82 session of the General Assembly.

"The swift bipartisan passage of this program will enable the Commonwealth to embark on the largest bridge rebuilding effort by any state in the nation, and I congratulate the members of the General Assembly for recognizing the need for this massive undertaking.

"The General Assembly's willingness to face up to our longterm bridge needs once again reflects its restored confidence in a revitalized and reformed Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

"This program represents a comprehensive, statewide ap-

proach to rebuilding the crumbling, obsolete and aging bridges that are interrupting our commerce, separating our communities, delaying our emergency vehicles, and impeding the movement of school buses, farm machinery and trucks.

"Each year, commercial trucking operations will save hundreds of millions of dollars in costs now associated with extra travel caused by closed and weight-limited bridges that now can be repaired or replaced.

"At the same time, this major bridge rebuilding program also will help stimulate a lagging economy, generating 20,000 construction-related jobs a year, and creating a substantial demand for steel and concrete products in Pennsylvania."

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