

HOT SCANDAL? Grounds for a libel case? We hate to disappoint the many readers who hoped that there was an interesting reason why the *Susquehanna Times* was delayed last week. The real reason is quite boring. Due to a printing error, a black blob appeared where Mr. Barnett's head should have been in a campaign advertisement. Since repeating the ad after the election wouldn't have really made up for our mistake, we decided to re-print the paper, instead.

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Monster invasion catches some Mariettans unprepared



Many people thought it was dead, killed by the storm, but the annual Marietta Jaycees Halloween Parade rose from its coffin and screamed through the streets last week. The fiends in the photo look like the sort of life-forms only the Jaycees would dare to (or even want to) create. For an un-retouched ghost picture, see page nine.

Chiques Methodist burns mortgage



The burning of the mortgage. Those participating were Jake Sherk, Bill Fackler, Ralph Miller, Rev. William Sharp, Rev. Woodrow Kern, and others.

by Joe Shaeffer

For many years there were two Methodist Churches, one in Mount Joy, the other in Salunga, with one minister supplying both congregations. The little Salunga Church began to burst its seams and the Mount Joy Methodist Church needed renovations and additional Sunday School space. After some

discussion it was voted to unite and build a church halfway between Mount Joy and Salunga.

Rev. Menno Good was appointed pastor of the two churches in 1958 and led the complete unification process. A new charter was awarded by the court forming the Chiques Methodist Church.

A successful financial drive was held and enough pledges were received to plan for the building of a new church on eight acres of land acquired from the Christ Breneman farm.

A hundred thousand dollar mortgage was negotiated with several banks and contracts were let for the building of the church [continued on page 2]

Marietta Council

—what's going on?

There has been a quiet feud within Marietta Borough Council ever since the last election. At this month's meeting, it became a noisy feud.

Councilman John Parker denounced borough council president Oliver Overlander, and offered a motion asking him to resign. When the motion was defeated, Parker walked out of the meeting.

The council has always been split into two factions: those who support former president Parker and those who support current president Overlander.

The two groups are based partly on policy differences, and partly on differences of personality and style. Lately, the personal differences have generated so much venom that council seems barely able to govern.

Although councilmen in both groups have been privately maligning each other for months, the anger has stayed below the table at council meetings until recently.

The spark which ignited the current explosion of fury was the firing of borough roads supervisor Bill Breckline.

Breckline was fired for allegedly stealing parking meter receipts.

Criminal charges were brought against him, but they were thrown out of court. After Breckline was found innocent, Parker, John Hinkle and John Reuter all voted to reinstate him in his old job. Overlander, Ken Ross, and James Howell voted to keep Breckline out. Mayor Flanagan broke the tie in Breckline's favor.

All three of Breckline's supporters voted to ask Overlander to resign at this month's council meeting.

Councilman John Parker recited a long list of accusations against council president Oliver Overlander last Tuesday, then offered a motion asking for a consensus vote on whether Overlander should resign.

When the motion was defeated 4-3 (with Overlander casting the tie-breaking vote), Parker said that he could no longer sit with the men in the room, and walked out.

Voting in favor of the motion were Parker, John Hinkle and John Reuter.

Voting against the motion were Overlander, Ken Ross, James Howell and David White.

(If the motion had passed, it seems unlikely that Overlander would have been legally required to resign. The purpose of the motion was only to make councilmen's feelings known.)

Parker's basic accusation was that Overlander had overstepped the boundaries of his office by making personal decisions without consulting council. Specifically, he charged that Overlander had;

— fired a CETA employee for stealing gas from the borough pump without consulting council

— roused borough police sergeant Steve Englert at 3 AM to unlock the gas pump for a friend whose car was out of gas, then reimbursed the borough one month later

— requested a dollar an hour increase for one of the boro's CETA workers after Breckline's ouster. (The man took over Breckline's duties.)

— interfered with the police investigation of the Breckline case. Overlander, Parker alleged, had told investigating officer Steve Englert not to discuss the case with police chief James Millar or Mayor Robt. Flanagan.

For the record, neither Overlander nor his supporters will comment on the charges except to say that they are false.

The present councilmen will have to sit down together in December, then the newly elected councilmen will join the group. Parker, Hinkle and Ross are not running for reelection.

Will the new council be less divided? No one on council whom we questioned seems to think so.

School Open House at Beahm, Donegal High

W.I. Beahm Junior High School is holding an open house on November 10th at 7:30 PM. The evening will be broken up into a mini-schedule of the students' school day so that all parents will be able to experience their child's schedule.

Refreshments will be served.

Donegal High School will hold an open house for

American Education Week on Tuesday, November 15th, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. All parents of students are invited.

Parents will have the chance to talk with their children's teachers. If conferences are desired for in-depth discussion, these can be arranged during the open house.

Members of the National Honor Society will serve the refreshments.