"Edie" Hess

Egg Ranch five year employee recognised

If you had to write hundreds of checks each week, as well as filing two accounting journals daily, your hand would probably fall off. This kind of work, however, doesn't seem to bother Edith "Edie" Hess Manheim RD6, of Plain and Fancy Egg Ranch, Inc., Elizabethtown.

Edie heads the list of the firm's Five Year Club. having been employed at Plain and Fancy since April

In recognition of Edie's impeccable record-keeping, she has been chosen as the Outstanding Employee of the Month and will receive a \$25 savings bond.

Mount Joy means coming home from a trip and you are asleep in the back seat of a car (vintage 1940 or thereabouts) and your parents say "Wake up, Mount Joy, we're home"... and you look through sleepy eyes and see, in big lights above Geo. Brown's cotton mill, MOUNT JOY, PA. It still feels good to come into a town and see that old cotton mill even though the sign is long

Mount Joy means small schools, where as youngsters we used to play tag around the coal bin at recess (most kids don't even know what a coal bin is, let alone play around it!). It's a place where you could walk home for lunch and still have time to go back and play before the old school bell rang.

And much later, when the old elementary school was burning down and my mother told me "your old school is burning down" I raced down on my bike to see the flames engulfing everything and soot and ashes rising high in the sky, and people watching a long familiar landmark go up in smoke. I suppose some kids today would

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cheer if their school were to burn, but somehow that day I had more than soot in my eyes and I was glad when we were able to salvage an old school desk from the third grade classroom. We are still using that desk today as a telephone bench. Later they cast small bells from the original old bell that tolled so many times calling the students to start their education. I am proud that I own one of those small bells, it is as much cherished as anything I

Mount Joy means parades, parks, carnivals, Krall's Butcher Shop where you could get your meat cut fresh and the sound of the blade cutting through bone still rings in my ears, it was the old-time farm shows. Farm shows that meant long rows of colorful produce, handmade crafts and canned fruits and jams, and the rides -OH, that glorious ferris wheel! Well, what's so great about a ferris wheel when we have Hershey Park and the sooperdooperlooper? Mount Joy, back then, ferris wheels were our sooperdooperloopers and it didn't cost any \$9.00 to ride and that ride meant more to me than all those fancy whirlygigs they have

... Siberski fired

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documents in on time, and Mr. Hallgren fired him for it. What lies behind these simple facts?

Mr. Hallgren told us that Siberski was fired on his sole and unallied recommendation, after having reminded the teacher "at least three times." There has been speculation among teachers and others that the administration

found Siberski a difficult person to work with, a "troublemaker," and that this is the reason behind the firing.

Mr. Siberski said that reports on his teaching were all favorable. He has seen them all, because all teachers are required to sign the reports on them.

UNION REACTION

Mr. Norris of the DEA

(Donegal Education Association, the teachers' union) said that a lawyer for the PSEA (the state union organization) has been looking at the case, and will shortly decide whether or not that organization will defend Siberski. No word on that decision is available as the Times goes to press.

Reaction among district

teachers seems to be mixed. Some feel that Mr. Siberski's case poses a threat to other teachers. They are afraid that they might be fired in a similar manner on the basis of a technicality. One teacher we spoke to, though, felt Siberski has "got what he deserves.'



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