

Secret Life of Walter Mitty opening in Columbia

On July 21, 22, and 23, the curtain will rise on the Columbia Little Theater's third production this season, "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty." This bubbly musical was written by Joe Manchester and based on the memorable short story by James Thurber. The show will be presented at the Columbia High School Auditorium at 8:00 PM on Friday and Saturday, and at 2:30 PM on Sunday.

Joe Lively will portray Walter J. Mitty, a quiet, unremarkable, average sort of man who escapes from

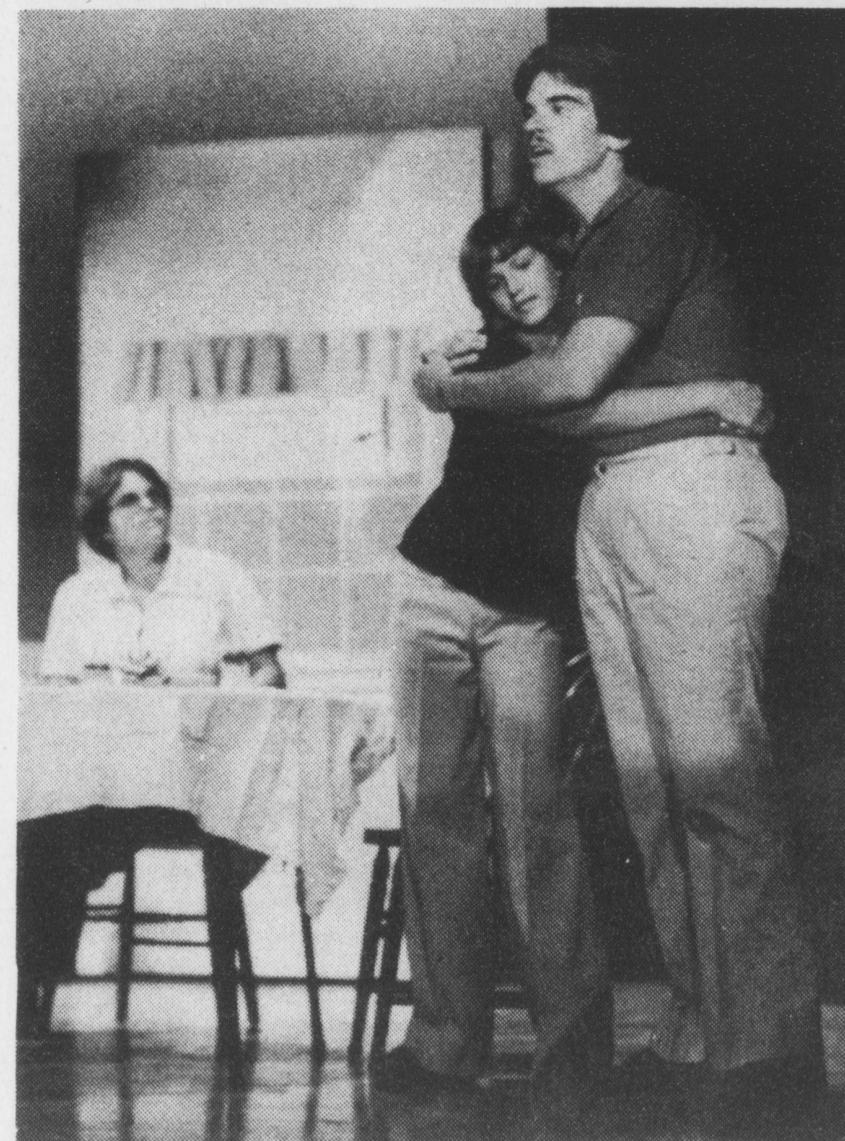
the boredom of everyday life through his daydreams. He also uses his dreams to tune out his nagging, domineering wife, Agnes, who will be played by Mary Jane Demmy. Penninah, their daughter—and the light of Mitty's life—will be portrayed by Tammy White.

Melissa Byers has been cast as the sarcastic, hardened nightclub singer, Willa de Wisp, who dreams of becoming the star of the Folies Bergere. The girl-chasing, freewheeling Fred Gorman, played by Gary

White, breezes into town and causes Mitt to have second thoughts about his life-style. Irving, Willa's boyfriend, and a health food nut, will be played by Bill Weinberg. Harry, the neighborhood barkeeper, will be portrayed by Randy Rohrer. Gorman's retinue of ladies of little class will include Louise White as Ruthie, Stephanie Weinberg as Hazel, and Debbie Smith as Sylvia. Chorus members include Patty Fuhrman, Diane Gilchrist, Sylvester Devine, and others.

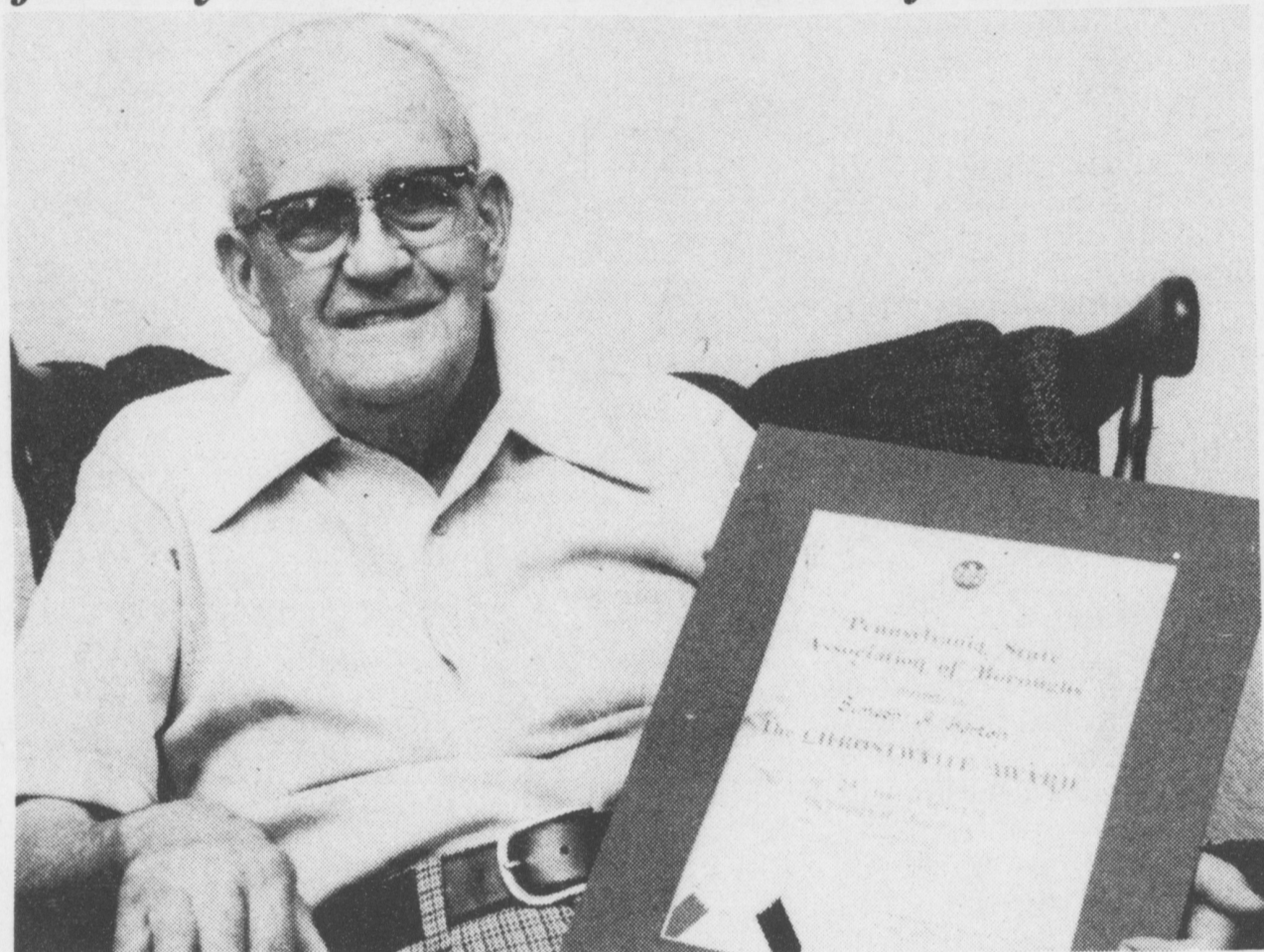
The production is under the direction of M. Carmella Mackinson, who has directed many Little Theater productions including "The Hollow" and "George M". Music is being directed by Phyllis Strittmater. Patricia Rowe is acting as chorus director, and Sylvia Powell is in charge of choreography.

Tickets are available through cast members or at the door. Admission for adults is \$3.00, \$2.00 for students and senior citizens, and \$1.00 for children under 12 years.



Walter Mitty [Joe Lively] embraces Penninah [Tammy White] while wife Agnes [Mary Jane Demmy] looks on in this scene THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY, opening Friday night in Columbia.

Sim Horton honored for 25 years' service on Mount Joy Council



Sim Horton poses with his award.

Simeon Horton served 25 years on the Mount Joy Borough Council before he retired at the end of last year. In honor of his long service, Sim was presented with the Thomas F. Chrostwaite Award at the last Mount Joy Borough Council meeting.

Sim sat on Council during the annexation of Florin, the rebuilding of Main Street, and the big furor over the Park Avenue area development, back in the forties. He recalls Council dealing with ducks overcrowding Sico Pond.

We asked Sim how he cast his votes.

"I always tried," he answered, "to do what would be best for the

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Mount Joy Boro Council meets

Seventeen Mount Joy residents complained to borough council Monday night about mud and water problems on Birchlan Avenue.

They said muck seeps into their yards and cellars from a field, and as they talked, volunteer firemen were hosing down the street.

When the weather is dry, they have dust problems, council was told.

Council members referred to the issue to a committee and said they would also ask advice from the state Department of Environmental Resources. The field is in Mount Joy Township, not in Mount Joy Borough.

Mrs. Charles Frank was identified as the owner of the field, which presently is planted in soybeans.

Council honored Helen Pennel, a crossing guard for 21 years who retired in June, and Simon Horton, a council member for 25 years.

Mrs. Pennel was given a certificate of recognition from policeman Frank Au-

ment, and she also received a certificate of appreciation from Mayor James Gingrich. Horton was presented the Thomas F. Chrostwaite Award by Councilman Omar Groff.

Last month council decided to buy a brick house beside the borough building on E. Main Street. Monday night, the financing was decided.

The board will use \$34,000 from federal revenue sharing funds that have been set aside, and \$27,000 will be borrowed from Union National Bank for one year.

No use for the property has been decided. It will be rented for at least one year, the board said.

The police department had planned to put "no turn on red" signs at every intersection with a traffic light in town. Then the state disallowed some of the signs.

Monday night, the board decided, for the sake of uniformity, to reverse itself and allow such turns at all lights.

East Donegal Township Supervisors meet

East Donegal Township supervisors will soon be advertising for bids for a traffic light at the intersection of Routes 441 and 743. The latter road, also known as the Maytown Pike,

connects the borough of Marietta and the village of Maytown and continues to Routes 230, 283, and Elizabethtown.

State permission has been granted for the signal light after four years of

studies and negotiations on traffic patterns through the busy intersection which was the site of numerous accidents. Cost of the survey alone was \$700.

The light, after being erected, will be operated

on a timer and will function with red, green and amber lights at the heaviest traffic hours. At other times, an amber blinker will possibly serve as a warning to motorists.

Cost of the installation, which may have nearly tripled in the last four years, may run as high as \$18,000 to \$20,000, officials said.

Chief George Shirk of the East Donegal Township police predicted that accidents may not be prevented if the signal light is erected, but may increase with rear-end collisions. However, he feels that the flow of traffic during rush hour will be eased with the regular intervals of the signals.

Marietta crime report

Fewer 'incidents,' more 'offences'

The semi annual Marietta Police report has been released. Compared to last year at the same time, there are more incidents but fewer offences.

In the last six months there were in Marietta: 718 incidents; 135 offences; 78 criminal arrests; 66 juvenile arrests; 145 traffic arrests; 68 ordinance arrests; and 29 traffic accidents.

Last year there were 642 incidents and 180 offences. Arrests are down from 425 to 357 this year.

Acting Police Chief Steve Englert told the Times that an offence is a crime, and an incident is a call, in police jargon. Offences are down this year because of

"Less juvenile activity," he said, adding, "70% of all crimes are due to juven-

iles, and there are a few juveniles who aren't around this year."

Marietta bikes must be registered

The Marietta Police remind bicycle owners that they will begin enforcing the bike registration ordinance after July 31st. If your bike is not licensed, go to the Police Station in Boro Hall between 8:30 and 4:30 weekdays, or call County Control at 653-1457 to make an appointment.

"The main purpose of the law is help us recover stolen bicycles," said Sgt. Englert of the Marietta Police.

The cost is \$1.00 to register a bike that has never been registered, and 50c to re-register. The registration runs two years.

East Donegal Jaycees 1st meeting

The newly formed East Donegal Jaycees will hold their first regular meeting on Wednesday, July 19th, at 8:00 PM in the pavilion beside the MYO Building on North King Street in Maytown. In case of rain the meeting will be held

inside the Maytown Youth Organization building.

Glenn Hershey, chairman of the Columbia Area Jaycees, will be on hand to complete the paper work. The Columbia group is backing the new East

Donegal Jaycees.

Any young men in Maytown or the township who are aged 18 to 35 can join this newly formed Jaycee chapter. Want to know more? Go to the meeting or call Jay Bixler at 426-1315.