

Bill Nagle

# Bill Nagle to explore universe

Bill Nagle, 26 North Chestnut Street, Marietta, is seen above, polishing his eight-inch, f-7, mirror for his astronomical telescope.

It is not hard to find Bill at work bringing his telescopic mirror to a perfect parabola; he's been working on it since last March.

First, in order to accurately reflect the faint rays of a distant star, Bill's mirror must have a shape of a perfect sphere; then, ever so carefully, he must bring it to the shape of a perfect paraboloid.

This is Bill's third telescopic mirror. The first, a six-inch reflector was started when he was only 14. Work on that was interrupted by a stint in the Navy, work, and other hobbies.

After finally completing the six-inch mirror, Bill started work on an eight-

inch mirror, which was almost finished when it rolled off a table, fell onto the concrete basement floor and split in half, "just like a pie." That was after 100 hours of work. Bill then started work on his new eight-incher, shown in the photo.

When it's done Bill will be able to bring the view of distant nebulae and galaxies into his backyard in Marietta. Bill is fascinated by the study of distant universes.

Astronomy has not been Bill's only hobby. Before telescope making he had a deep interest in cacti and was a member of the Exotic Collection of Eng-

Before cacti his interest was art and cartooning. His oils and pastels have been exhibited at the Chateau d'Art in Marietta.

## Keller resigns from **Mount Joy Council**

\$42,952 went begging alternative plans for solving and councilman Harold Keller resigned at the meeting of the Mount Joy Borough Council last Monday night.

Keller did not attend. A letter from him was read, which said he was leaving the council because he was too busy with his businesses.

The resignation was accepted with regret.

The \$42,952 of federal revenue sharing funds that are available were the subject of a proposed use hearing. Council president Ricedorf announced the hearing, looked at the two reporters and two citizens who were attending the meeting, and asked for ideas on how to spend the money. No one spoke. Ricedorf asked again, and again no one spoke. He then declared the proposed use hearing closed and referred the matter of spending the money to committee.

During the public hour, one of the citizens asked about progress on the Birchland Avenue water problem. Councilman Smith replied that the engineer who is drawing up the plans for a ditch and swale to carry away the water hasn't done anything

The Birchland Avenue spokesman asked if the township had contacted the council. Mr. Bateman said in reply that he had tried to arrange a meeting with the supervisors of Mount Joy Township, unsuccessfully. Some land involved in the drainage problem is in the township.

"I don't think anything will be done. It'll be forgotten," the citizen said at one point. "I wish I had an answer for you," replied councilman Smith.

President Ricedorf told the man that money for the Birchland Avenue problem would be included in the budget, to be drawn up before the end of the year. This would assure that something would be done, he said.

The borough has six

the problem. The engineer is now working on one of the plans, but slowly. Councilman Smith said that he had been dropping in at the engineer's office every day, in an effort to prod the engineer into faster action, until he had found out that he was being charged for the time he took up.

The man from Birchland Avenue also complained that the citizens hadn't heard anything from the borough. He was told that nothing had happened.

Several councilmen told the man that the borough is doing the best it can under the circumstances.

Mayor Gingrich asked that borough residents drive with their lights on between 6:00 and 9:00 PM on October 31st, Halloween night, as a safety measure in view of the number of children who will be roaming the streets.

Dale Good, a police officer, resigned.

Donegal Springs Road is being resurfaced, noted Mr. Bateman, except for one section in front of Mr. Rainbolt's house. The problem was discussed by council. It came out that the curb in the area is too low, keeping the street level down, and causing runoff problems which prevent resurfacing.

Mr. Bateman commented on a new law, just passed by the State, which requires full financial disclosure for all municipal workers who make policy, such as borough councilmen. The law also requires disclosure for the immediate family of such people, and outlaws the government doing business with a firm that employs a policy-making person.

The council reacted to Mr. Bateman's remarks with amazement and derision. Many shook their heads, and made comments to the effect that council would be decimated soon.

Te new traffic ordinance was passed.

The park improvements were outlined and discuss-



### New community rising in Mt. Joy

George Nauman and Dave Stonesifer can be seen in above photo installing insulated aluminum skirting around George's new mobile home located in Penn Mobile Home Court on the Southeast end of Mount Joy just north of Route 230.

George's and Dave's homes are two of six that

have gone up in the new community within the past four weeks.

A total of 53 homes are planned for the area.

The houses average 14 by 70 feet and are all of very fine quality. The new residents are enthusiastic about their new homes and neighborhood.

#### Send Jessie a card!

Jessie Nissley, the famed groundhog lady of Ephrata, is soon celebrate her 63rd birthday, on October 26. Jessie is well known to local school kids for her entertaining programs.

The Susquehanna Times has been asked to help publicize a birthday card shower for Jessie. We suggest that any of our

readers who know Jessie and her groundhog friends send a birthday greeting to: Jessie Nissley, 532 Pointview Avenue, Ephrata PA 17522.

Birthday cards will help to cheer Jessie, who is disconsolate because her pet groundhogs face extermination or deportation. (See last week's Times.)

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# Auntie Mame to be presented at Donegal High DHS School



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The Senior class of Donegal High School will present the two-act comedy, "Auntie Mame," on Friday and Saturday nights, October 27 and 28, at 8:00 p.m. in the high school auditorium. The play, written by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, is based on the best-selling novel by Patrick Dennis.

Who is Auntie Mame? There's surely one in every

community, often in every family. Some of the wild, exploratory spirit of Auntie Mame bubbles in each human being who really believes that "life is a banquet!" Auntie Mame is a sparkling, scatterbrained, and warm-hearted lady who is well-to-do, lives in New York at the peak of the Twenties, and brightens the American landscape from the era of the

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