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They did it!



The game's over, but coach Deshler still looks worried as his team begins celebrating the end of a perfect season of victories. The most successful coach in DHS history finally started relaxing about the time his team hit the showers. "I guess we won," the exhausted Indian skipper finally decided, "but we sure did it the hard way."

It was a nerve-racking game, but it had a happy ending.

Coach Gayne Deshler looked a bit glassy-eyed after his team came from behind to squeeze a narrow 26-22 victory from Elco last Saturday afternoon.

"I bet you feel shaky right now," a fan yelled to Deshler, as the coach slumped against a school bus and stared into space.

"Any comments?" asked a reporter.

"I guess we won," was about all Deshler could say. He didn't sound completely convinced that it had really happened.

Donegal High School has been fielding varsity football teams for 25 years, much to the delight of neighboring schools, who have traditionally pounded the Indians into the lower regions of their section.

After beating Elco last

Saturday, however, the Donegal Indians, for the first time in their school's history, won sole possession of the section 3 championship of the Lancaster-Lebanon football league.

At one point in the season, after they devastated previously unbeaten Lampeter-Strasburg, the team was ranked number one among all small high schools in the state of Pennsylvania.

The Indians now have a 14 game winning streak, and have won each of their 11 games this year.

Elco almost spoiled all that with some brilliant passing and a lot of good luck.

Much of the Raiders' passing brilliance was concentrated in the deceptively small frame of one Tracy Lehman, a young

man whose fingers stick to pigskin the way nails stick to giant electro-magnets.

Elco's good luck included three Indian fumbles and a lot of penalties.

Donegal got the game off to a good start by scoring on the team's first two possessions. Pete Splain led the typically brutal Indian running attack with two touchdowns, and added a couple of extra points with his toes. (The awed Elco announcer began calling Splain "this amazing athlete" halfway through the game.)

Elco soon discovered that running against the Indians was like beating one's head against a stone wall, but the Raider passing attack was another story. With Lehman catching everything that came near him,

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Bateman resigns

Mount Joy's borough manager, Joe Bateman, announced his resignation at last Monday's Borough Council meeting. He will be leaving office on January 2nd.

Bateman will be joining the firm of D.C. Gohn and Associates, Inc.

Bateman received a number of compliments from

the council members after he announced his departure. Omar Groff said that he had done a good job, especially in bringing federal and state money into the borough. President Ricedorf said that, while Bateman has on occasion been criticized, that meant that he had been doing his job. A borough manager

will inevitably be criticized, Ricedorf said, unless he does nothing.

Councilman Russell Chapin said that in his opinion, "Joe has been batting 500."

Most resignations are accepted without comment by the council.

Bateman has been the manager for 5 years.

Bateman's replacement will be nominated by a committee consisting of councilmen Omar Groff and Ammon Smith.

resolution passed

Bateman covered more routine matters before saying that he was quitting. He proposed a resolution to send to the state government a letter asking that borough managers be exempted from the financial disclosure law just passed by the state government.

Wolgemuth appointed

Mr. C. Miller Wolgemuth, of 40 Old Market, Mount Joy, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Harold Keller, who resigned last month. He will represent the West Ward.

Wolgemuth was nominated by councilpersons Chapin and Horst. He was approved unanimously.

"I'll do my best... I'm glad to serve," Wolgemuth said as he took his seat at the table. (He did not vote this time, not being sworn in yet). He will be a member of the Health and Safety Committee.

Birchland Avenue again

Mr. Mateer from Birchland Avenue spoke up during the Public Hour, asking what progress had been made in fixing the runoff problem. About 15 minutes of discussion followed, with council repeating its previous statements that it was going as fast as it could, and the Birchland Avenue resident complaining that that wasn't good enough. The man finally stalked out disgustedly.



Christine Brown, of Apt. #2, 239 N. Plum St., Mount Joy, points to her grandfather clock, made by Jacob Gorgus in 1718. Her home is one of ten included in the Mount Joy BPW Candlelight Tour to be held this Sunday.

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