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Merchant of pot-smokers' pipes says *Times* wrecking his business



Mount Joy head shop owner Jay Feldser glumly inspects his unsold water pipes. The pipes are legal, but most buyers fill them with illegal marijuana or hashish. The ceramic motorcycle outlaw in the foreground is actually a pipe.

Jay Feldser, a young Lancaster entrepreneur, opened Mount Joy's first "head shop" last September. (A "head" is someone who likes to smoke dope, and a "head shop" specializes in selling drug paraphernalia like pipes, cigarette papers and roach clips.)

Business has not been good, and Mr. Feldser thinks the *Susquehanna Times* and the *Merchant* are to blame. Advertising salesmen for both publications approached Mr. Feldser, but the publishers changed their minds when they saw his ad.

The *Susquehanna Times* was willing to advertise the shop's Indian jewelry and shirts, but refused to print the words "head supplies" in an ad. The *Merchant*, Feldser says, simply did not run his ad. When Feldser called their office,

they made a series of excuses, then told him they wouldn't run the ad under any circumstances.

The *Lancaster Independent Press*, a weekly newspaper with an anti-establishment editorial policy, ran a front-page story about the advertising ban. After reading the story, a *Susquehanna Times* reporter visited Jay Feldser in his shop.

"I can't understand why they (the local newspaper and advertiser) did it," Mr. Feldser said. "I sure in h--- didn't do anything to them."

Feldser pointed out that his hookahs, hash pipes, and papers are completely legal. "A lot of people might come in here to buy papers to roll their own (tobacco) cigarettes," he said. "I don't know what they do with them. It's none of my business."

"We thought this would be a good place to do business," Mr. Feldser said. "There was not a shop like this in the surrounding area for miles. I don't understand why there's so much opposition to my business. I think everybody is just against longhairs."

Feldser says the Borough of Mount Joy turned down his request for permission to hang a sign over the sidewalk. He hung the sign anyway, and nobody has ordered him to take it down.

Local police sometimes stroll into the shop, he says. They look around, but never buy anything.

Customers are mostly young (17 to 25), but older people sometimes drop in to buy incense or jewelry. The biggest turnover is in pipes and papers, however, and there just aren't enough buyers.



When rescue workers arrived at the scene of the CAP mock airplane crash, they quickly realized that it was just a drill. After all, how often does a plane-crash survivor land on top of a 20 foot wall without even being scratched? The rescue workers' mood was cheerful until fireman Marty Cusick was discovered lying on a ledge near the top of a steep ravine. Marty's agonized screams filled the air as grim rescue workers treated his broken leg and lowered his stretcher to a waiting ambulance...

Mock airplane crash brings fast response

A mock airplane crash was staged near Bainbridge last Sunday by the E-town-Marietta Civil Air Patrol Squadron 308.

The drill was kept secret, but every fire, ambulance, and rescue unit in the area responded quickly to the 'emergency'.

At approximately 12:30 p.m., an Emergency Locator Transmitter was acknowledged by the E-town-Marietta Civil Air Patrol, to be in the vicinity of Bainbridge. Immediately a C.A.P. aircraft was dispatched to the area. Using a Directional Finder, the plane spotted the "downed" aircraft.

...When the stretcher arrived at the open doors of the ambulance, Marty suddenly sat up and said, "I'm not going into that ambulance, because there's nothing wrong with me." Marty's act had been part of a "simulated real emergency" to give rescue workers practice under realistic pressure. Everybody agreed that Marty had done a good job of scaring his buddies. Unfortunately, rescue workers had cut Marty's pants off his leg to examine the fracture.

