

## Jaycees

The Installation and Awards Banquet of the Mount Joy Jaycees and Joycee-ettes will be held

this Saturday, April 7, at the Holiday East Inn. The social hour will be from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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The Marietta Jaycees are sponsoring an Easter Flower Sale at J-C headquarters at Market Street and

Waterford Avenue on 12, 13, and 14 from 9 until 9 p.m. William S. is chairman of the bene

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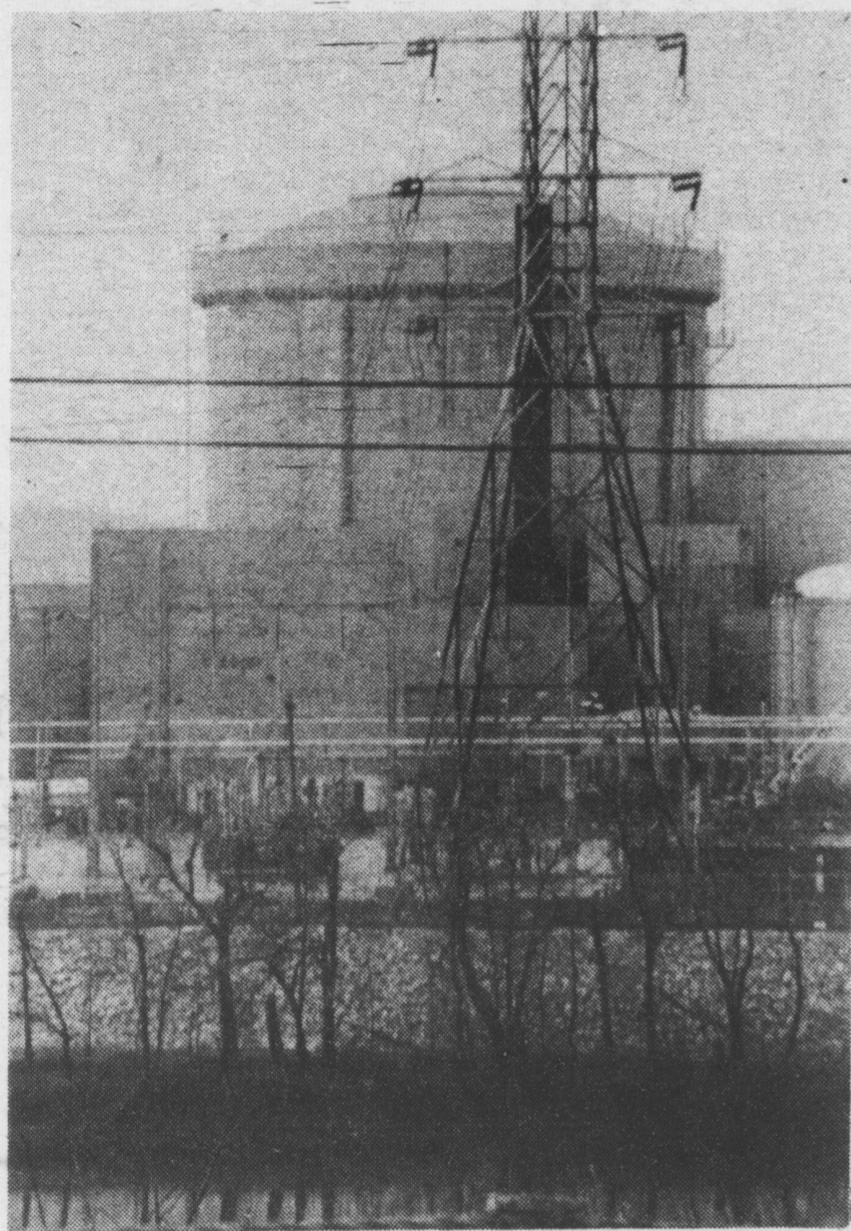
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## Community ready for possible evacuation

NOTICE: WNCE-FM at 101.3 MGz is the official evacuation notice station for this area.



power lines lead from the reactor containment building.

*Civil Defense, police, ambulance and firemen work around the clock accounting for all people and laying plans; Evacuation signal is five minute siren sound; Evacuation not a cause for alarm*

While many people left this area over the weekend, local police, civil defense, ambulance and fire personnel stayed and prepared for a possible evacuation.

Although the situation at Three Mile Island is improving as we go to press, evacuation may be started if the reactor situation should deteriorate.

In Mount Joy, mayor Gingrich met with the fire companies and civil defense people Sunday night and hammered out plans. The evacuation signal would be five continuous minutes of siren sound. Evacuation would take 12 hours, according to plans.

Kleiner said the Mount Joy police have not had any serious difficulties because of hysteria or the empty houses of those who have left.

## Some stay, some go

Estimates were that as many as a third of the residents left town.

Several people said that half of Maytown was gone.

Police in Mount Joy estimated that a tenth of the residents had departed.

If there had been an evacuation of all residents, the only ones to remain would have been the police, and they were ready to shoot any looters they might have discovered.

The reactions of local people to the nuclear crisis this week varied much.

Some were terrified and quickly fled the area.

Others were nonchalant or at least fatalistic.

All must have been anxious. A medical expert in radiation at the University of Pennsylvania said that so far the crisis had taken a far greater psychological rather than a radiological toll.

"The main thing would be to stay cool," said acting borough manager Al Kleiner. "There won't be any need to rush in case of evacuation."

Evacuation would not be mandatory. However, a curfew—in effect from 7:00 PM to 6:00 AM—would go into effect if evacuation were instituted, so those who would stay should be ready for this. The curfew would be needed due to the threat of looting.

About 50 volunteers would canvass the town, knocking on each door. Every house would be covered.

Those who have cars should, in the event of evacuation, pack and drive out within 12 hours. Those who have no place to go should go to the Park City parking lot. If they would find that filled, they should drive onward along Rte. 30 to the Exton Square parking lot.

Those without transportation will be given rides to prearranged centers. Limousines and busses are ready. Ambulances are also prepared to transfer invalids. (The ambulances have already been active in transporting invalids out of the area.)

Civil Defense director Christ Charles will take charge of the situation in the event of evacuation.

Mr. Kleiner said that, if the evacuation took place, it would be done in stages: first the five-mile radius circle would be emptied, then the ten-mile circle. Mount Joy is just outside the ten-mile radius.

In Marietta, the evacuation signal will also be a 5 minute continuous siren. Civil Defense workers have been monitoring the air, and making lists of people who would have to be moved by ambulance or bus.

Mariettians without a destination should also head for Park City.

The possible evacuation is "well-planned," according to chief Millar. He stressed that the plans are "precautionary," and said he has "no foreseeable problems" in sight.

In East Donegal Township and Maytown, firemen, working with the supervisors and police, have set up plans to cover each and every house in the township. Fire trucks and ambulances would split up into four teams and cover the township according to the pattern worked out over the weekend. (An exhausted spokesman at the Maytown Fire Hall said that he and others had been awake and working for the past 25 hours getting the plan ready to implement).

Invalids have already been separately arranged for. Industries and churches have been contacted to get lists of all people in the township who would be hard to locate or transport.

All local ambulance crews are very well coordinated and are ready for evacuation, the spokesman said. Crews have volunteered to stay behind until all those who want to get out are safely away.

Remember — **DON'T PANIC.** An evacuation notice will **not** mean that you are in any immediate danger.

## Visiting journalist interviewed by Times

The clouds of steam above Three-Mile-Island had evaporated from our horizon last week, as technicians worked frantically to spare us from calamity.

When the *Susquehanna Times* heard that President Jimmy Carter was visiting the possible site of disaster we decided it was our journalistic duty to try to cover the president's visit to our territory.

We didn't see Jimmy, but we did see a host of fellow reporters from all over the world. We tried to introduce ourselves to representatives of the *New York* and *London Timeses*, but without too much success.

One obliging journalist, and a very interesting one, did, however, talk to us—one Imai Yoshinori of the Japan Broadcasting Company.

Mr. Yoshinori informed

us that the Japan Broadcasting Company was an organization very similar to the British Broadcasting Company.

The Japanese, he told us, because of their intimate acquaintance with nuclear horrors during World War II were very, very interested in what was happening at Three-Mile-Island.

Mr. Yoshinori told us that the plant at Three-Mile was constructed by Babcock and Wilcox Co. (a firm whose stock fell last week). Most of the nuclear plants under construction in Japan are being built by Westinghouse. Mr. Yoshinori sincerely hopes that Westinghouse nuclear plants are superior to those of Babcock and Wilcox.

Mr. Yoshinori said that the Japanese have a name for their "special concern" about nuclear reactions; it is called "nuclearallergy."



Imai Yoshinori