

Did You Hear?

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Dr. and Mrs. Burchard E. Wright of Fort Myers, Florida, formerly of Donegal Heights, Mount Joy, returned in early October from a 15-day tour of Egypt. After several days in Cairo visiting the Citadel, nearby tombs and pyramids, there was a boat trip up the Nile from Luxor to Aswan with stops at Esna, Edfu and Kom-Ombo to visit the Valley of Kings (Tut's tomb and others), various temples and tombs carved out of solid rock thousands of years ago. Surprisingly modern hotels were found at Aswan. The Aswan high dam, a much touted Russian enterprise not long ago,

turns out to be a dirt dam already paid for by Egypt, according to Dr. Wright.

From Aswan the Wrights took a flight to Abu Simbel where many giant statues and the temples behind them were cut apart and reassembled at a higher level to prevent them from flooding. They then took a flight back to Cairo for a tour of the Cairo Museum where a person could spend months without even getting to the thousands of Tut artifacts (in gold, yet).

In mid-October, after returning, the Wrights journeyed to Philadelphia to attend the President's dinner at Dr. Wright's alma mater, Jefferson Medical College.

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Constance M. Merkel, Bainbridge, will have the lead role of Marsinah in the Lancaster Opera Workshop's upcoming production of the Broadway musical "Kismet." Actually Mrs. Merkel will share the role

with Anitra R. Archer. Mrs. Merkel will appear in the lead role on Nov. 20, 21 and 29, and Mrs. Archer will play the part on Nov. 19, 22 and 28.

Mrs. Merkel, a voice and piano teacher, has been guest soloist at various churches and sung at senior citizens' banquets. She is also organist of the United Methodist Church in Bainbridge.

Mrs. Merkel has been with the Opera Workshop for the last year and is looking forward to appearing in a lead role at the Fulton Opera House, Lancaster. Tickets for the musical "Kismet" are available from the ticket office of the Fulton Opera House.

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Grace Steinmetz, RD7, Manheim, won an honorable mention in the recent Lancaster County Art Association's Fall Membership Show. Mrs. Steinmetz was awarded \$10 for her work entitled "An Arrangement of Greens."

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Millersville State College president Dr. William Duncan, who began his teaching career in the Donegal district, was honored last week by county educators. Dr. Duncan is retiring in early January after 34 years at Millersville.

On hand to take part in the friendly "roast" was Donegal School District superintendent Ragnar F. Hallgren.

"I was in a rough position," Mr. Hallgren told the *Susquehanna Times*. He was the first superintendent to "roast" Duncan. "Up until that point everyone had only good things to say about Dr. Duncan."

Mr. Hallgren joked with group, explaining that it took a war to get him out of the Donegal District. Dr. Duncan joined the Army in 1942 after teaching in the local district.

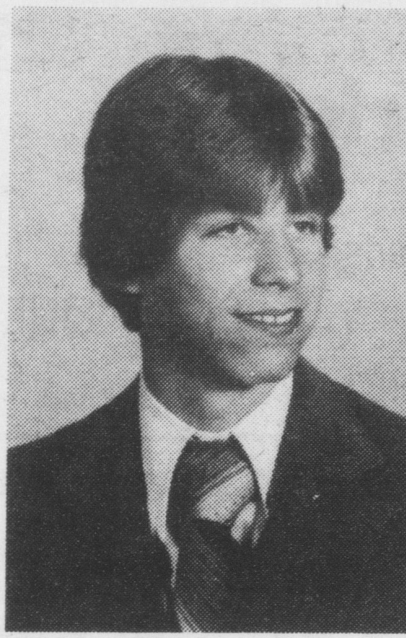
Joking that the Maytown building was not sure it wanted him back (Duncan taught at Maytown), Mr. Hallgren presented Dr. Duncan with a W3-33 form signed on the right side, to "make sure he doesn't come back."

Hallgren also pointed to the fact that Duncan stole a district teacher. That teacher later became Duncan's wife, Mrs. Alma Duncan.

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Tracee S. Gotwalt, Mount Joy, is a member of the freshman class of Elizabethtown College this fall. An accounting major, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald P. Gotwalt, 160 New Haven St., Mount Joy.

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Thomas Hatt

Soccer award to Tom Hatt

Thomas Allen Hatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Hatt, R.D.#1, Marietta, was the recipient of the John S. Shoemaker Memorial Trophy for this year.

The trophy is given by the Donegal Varsity Club and is awarded annually to the senior boy of the varsity soccer team that has displayed the highest qualities of good sportmanship, team spirit, moral leadership and devotion to his school and team.

NOTICE

Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday, November 27, trash collection will be picked up Friday, November 28.

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