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By R. A. R.

The hassle about mini-courses in Occultism at Penn Manor seems to be missing the point.

It is not that knowledge in any area is inherently bad and that the course should be stricken from the curriculum.

The fault is that time given and the effort made is sadly misplaced -- both for the teacher and the student.

Far better that the emphasis be placed in a field which is more important. The scope of English electives includes multiple choices which are better fitted to the total education of youngsters for total living.

Nine weeks spent by a high school pupil on study of the occult is a poor choice in the use of his time, the time of the teacher and the expense would be better placed in some other area.

At Donegal high school, the now-under-construction auxiliary gymnasium is
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'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

When we were youngsters, we expressed our delight when school closed for the summer by this mild little couplet:

"No more lessons, no more books--
No more teachers' dirty looks!"

We chanted it surreptitiously as we bounded home, bent on a three-months holiday!

Not so today! Horns tooted, motors raced, tires spun, and brakes squealed about 12:30 Monday afternoon on Donegal Springs Road as the youth of Mount Joy expresses their glee at the beginning of their summer vacation.

Perhaps this is an annual custom, but we hadn't happened to notice it before.

During the winter months, we kept a scented candle burning on our desk at The Bulletin, to give a pleasant fragrance to the office.

It isn't necessary now!

Music in the Park

The Red Rose Chorus of the Lancaster Chapter of the SPEBSQA, Inc., will present a night of music Saturday, June 15, beginning at 7 p.m. in Memorial park.

This is the third year that the chorus has sung in Mount Joy for a Music in the Park program.

The group is made up of men from the surrounding area and is under the direction of Chuck Williams of Columbia.

The chorus placed first in the recent West Central Division and soon will be entering competition of the Mid-Atlantic District.

In case of rain, the program will be held at the W.I. Beahm Junior high school.

A special attraction at the park will be a rehearsal on Monday night, June 17, of the Sweet Adelines.

The programs are sponsored by the Mount Joy Community Council.

PENNY HOARDERS ARE TOUGH

Effort to Draw Out Coins Only Mildly Successful

Mount Joy penny hoarders are first-class copper-blooded penny pinchers!

Or, perhaps, just perhaps, Mount Joy does not have that many penny hoarders.

At any rate, an unusual "penny collecting" effort last week by Weis Markets did not create an ear-shattering jingle in Mount Joy.

Store Manager Herb Weller said this week that "We got some. But, not as

many as I had expected. No one customer offered more than 900."

The super market last week had offered a \$5 credit certificate to anyone who would cash in 450 pennies - an approximate 11 percent gain over face value.

Weller added that some stores - in the cities, particularly - collected thousands.

"The best way we have found," he offered, "is to ask the customer, when there is an odd amount purchase, for the extra pennies."

The local collection, he added, did not garner a week's supply of pennies for the Mount Joy store, which would use between 5000 and 7000.

Borough Water Rates Take Jump in Fall

The Mount Joy Borough Authority, at its June meeting held on June 6, approved a water rate increase for all levels of consumers, effective July 1, 1974.

The rate change will increase the minimum quarterly bill for residential users from \$8.50 to \$12.50 on the usage of 10,000 gallons of water per quarter. The new rates will be reflected in the September, 1974, bills.

The increase, the first for residential consumers since 1959, is to provide additional revenue for a proposed \$1.4 million capital construction program which will develop two recently-drilled wells,

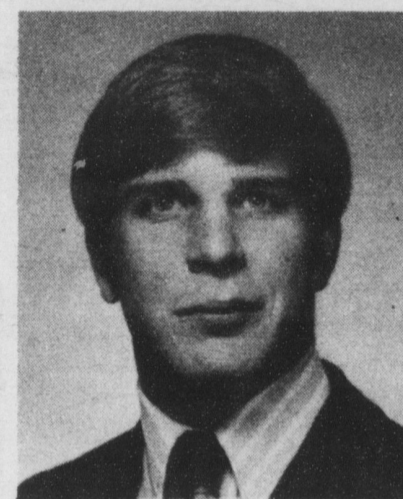
Boro Employs New Manager; Nixes Development Proposal

Mount Joy Borough Monday night employed a new borough manager and voted down a proposed housing development at the west edge of town.

Acting unanimously on the recommendation of its search committee, Council, meeting in the borough hall, employed Joseph Bateman to fill the vacancy left recently by the resignation of George Ulrich, the borough's first manager.

Bateman, age 22, has been serving as assistant manager at New Cumberland, Pa., a community of about 10,000 people.

He is a native of Delaware county, Pa., and a 1973 graduate of Shippensburg college. As a major in public administration, he served an internship with the Shippensburg borough and



JOSEPH BATEMAN

Chamber of Commerce, working on a joint special project.

The new manager will assume his duties here about July 8.

Council, Thursday night, by a count of 5-2, and one member abstaining, voted to disapprove a proposed preliminary plan for the

development of a tract of land along Donegal Springs Road, owned by Jones & Zink and to be known as Pennsbury Manor.

Principal problem encountered was the method of handling surface drainage water.

Council also:

—Voted to hold a public hearing July 8 at 7:30 p.m. on the proposed closing of Ice Alley.

—Voted on final reading to make three thoroughfares one-way to all traffic. (Coal alley, northbound between E. Main and Apple Tree alley; Patterson alley, southbound between E. Main and Apple Tree alley, and Apple alley, southbound between W. Main and Clay alley).

—Voted to raise rates for Borough park tennis courts lights from \$1.25 per hour to \$2. Action is to be taken immediately to abolish the "honor system" payment plan and to install coin operated switch boxes at once. (During the month of May the "honor system" of payment collected only \$3. It was estimated that present electric rates cost the borough \$1.68 per hour).

—Moved to give into the hands of the Department of Environmental Resources a discharge problem said to be

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Donegal Hi Graduates Record Senior Class

It was the most pleasant commencement Donegal high school ever has staged!

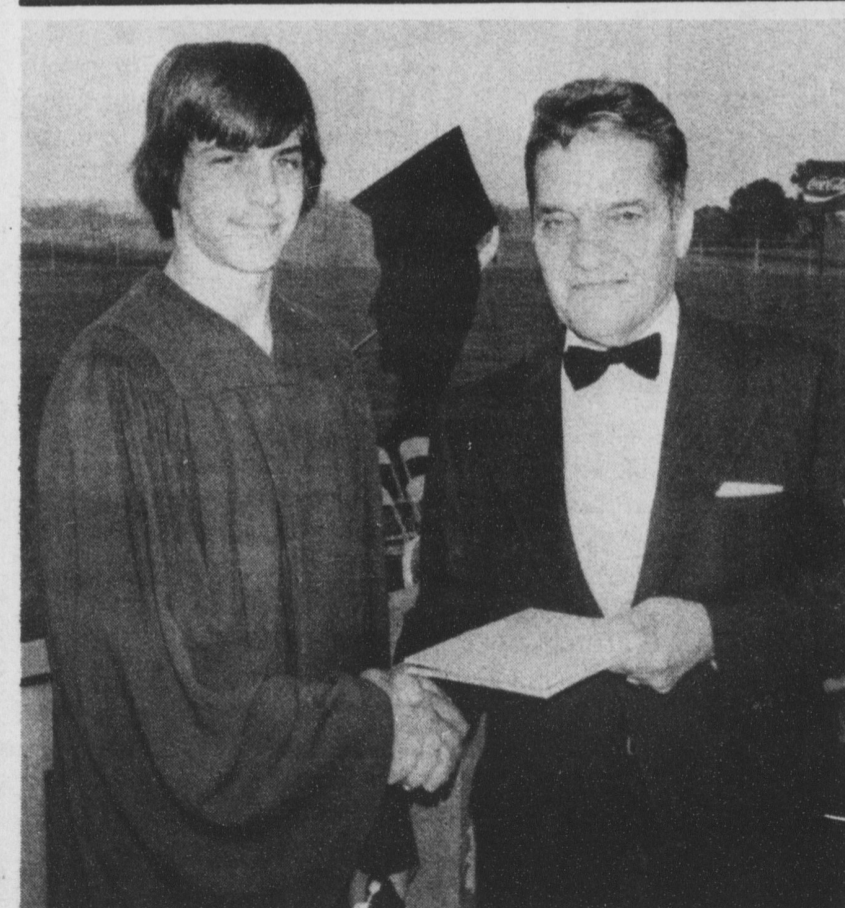
Although at 6 o'clock, as the record sized class of 191 seniors began marching onto the field, the weather was very threatening, not a drop of rain fell and within an hour the sun was shining hazily upon the 20th annual D.H.S. commencement, held outdoor for the first time on the football field.

There were seats aplenty and nature's air conditioning overbalanced the weather threat.

In other years, commencement in the auditorium has been one of the most uncomfortable gatherings of the year. And, seating was by ticket only.

This year, Tuesday evening, June 4, anyone was welcomed outdoors. Some brought folding chairs.

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STEVEN ALBERT RETTEW (left) is the first Donegal high school graduate to receive his diploma at an outdoor commencement. Here he is handed the precious certificate by J. Edw. Charles, president of the Donegal District school board. Rettew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rettew, 315 E. Market street, Marietta, was the first senior to march to the platform Tuesday night, June 5, at Donegal's first outdoor exercise in its 20-year history.

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