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FENCE US IN!

Public Looks at 'Plan'

With a few possible exceptions, East Donegal Township likes its environment and prefers to live within a nice, neat fenced-off 13,848-acre rural "paradise".

But, those who would prefer little, if any change, are fearful that encroaching "progress" will shatter their peaceful and historic surroundings.

Further, there is a certain uneasiness that laws, ordinances, regulations and good intentions may not stand against a rolling tide of growth and development which already is inundating the area.

But, because of their love of the land and of open spaces, they are virtually willing to accept a planned and controlled-type development with its possible pitfalls rather than to risk being swamped by housing, business and industry.

Those are the impressions to be drawn from an hour and a half public hearing Tuesday night, Aug. 13, in the Donegal high school cafeteria.

Dr. John H. Brown of Marietta R1, member of the Planning Commission, probably shot nearest to the bullseye of the target when he talked briefly, saying that "I'd like to fence in the whole township. But, we can't."

Donald Betty, resident on Mount Joy R1, then summed up the situation by saying, "Lacking anything better, this plan is excellent."

Held, by law, by the East Donegal township Board of Supervisors and the township Planning Commission, the specific purpose of the meeting was to acquaint the public with a "comprehensive plan" for community planning — and to allow citizens to ask questions.

Many of the questions were answered, but two areas of more than passing concern were not.

Relative voids were left in at least two areas because the "plan" background did not include investigations into the areas.

They were "population growth" and school involvement.

The proposed comprehensive plan, it was explained, has no legal standing but is drawn to serve as a basis for writing a new zoning ordinance to replace a 1961 version.

Order of approach to the total problem calls for the "plan" to be accepted by the supervisors and then for a new zoning ordinance which becomes the actual "law" governing growth, land use, etc.

The intent is that the zoning regulations would be based on the "spirit of intent" of the comprehensive plan. Neither are expected to be inflexible documents but subject to "meet changing conditions and technological advances."



By R. A. R.

This newspaper has said before, but it is well worth repeating, that the residents of East Donegal township like where they live and would prefer that the community remain pretty much as it is, unchanged with "progress" and development.

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And, their pride and love of the area is well placed. It is
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'Of This and That'

by the editor's wife

Have we become a nation of migrants? Of nomads? of perennial wanderers?

Every time we are out on a highway, especially a major one, we are amazed and impressed with number of "living arrangements" we see rolling along! It seems as if a very large percentage of this country's population must be "on the move!"

The kinds of vehicles are almost without number. There's the luxurious motor home, lumbering gracefully down the highway. (Its numbers must have increased by 100 percent in the past year or two!) There are thousands upon thousands of regular travel trailers, of every size, color, shape and

disposition. There are "tent top" trailers, and an infinite variety of little and big buses outfitted with curtains and no doubt all sorts of conveniences inside. Nor must we forget the pick-up campers, also of every size, color and shape!

We sat in a roadside park not long ago, eating lunch, on I-81 north of Lebanon, and watched the procession going by on the highway. We estimated that about ten percent of them were "recreation vehicles." One in ten!

Who are the people who are circulating so widely and so continuously around the
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OPENER AGAINST COLUMBIA

Football Practice For 1974 Begins

Football, 1974 style, is under way at Donegal high school! With the season's opener against Columbia only two weeks, plus, away, Coach Gayne Deshler began putting his charges through their paces Monday and will keep the lads hard at work on an increasing tough schedule.

Two-a-day drills are being held morning and afternoon with a meal and gridiron meetings in between.

There will be plenty of fundamentals but a "slow" approach in an effort to avoid injuries during the first few days.

Friday evening, at 6 p.m. has been designated as "picture night." The team will be in uniform. Later, at 8 p.m., a parents night will be held in the cafe with movies, talks etc.

Saturday, the 24th, there will be a "green and white" squad game, beginning at 10 a.m.

Next week drills will continue at increased intensity. But, noon meals will not be included. Work will be in uniform "in pads".

A Donegal football feature which is expected to attract some attention will be the

second annual Ladies Night on Thursday evening Aug. 29, beginning at 8 p.m. To be held in the cafe, the affair will feature "how to watch, understand and enjoy football."

First scrimmage with another school is booked for Saturday, Aug. 31, at 10 a.m., when Dover high school of York will come to Donegal for a two-hour meeting which is not, and can not be, called a game.

Deshler, assisted by Gene Shulman and Dennis Iezzi, will be leading Donegal for the third season. He is optimistic about the possibilities for the season, expecting to do better than in 1973. However, the relatively small size of the squad this fall may have an influence upon how things turn out. He expects about 34 boys for the
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Standards Tightened For DHS Honor Rolls

Honor roll students were tightened last week for Donegal junior and senior high school pupils by the District Board of Education.

To qualify for the "A" honor list, pupils, beginning this fall, must achieve all A

grades in every full-credit course but one B will be allowed in a course equated as being less than a full credit.

The "B" honor roll people must achieve all B's or better in all subjects.

It was suggested that the "A" honor roll be called "Superior Honor Roll" and the "B" list called "Honor Roll".

Given Commendation

Specialist Four William G. Breinich, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur R. Breinich, Donegal Heights, has been presented the Army Commendation Medal at Ft. Richardson, Alaska.

The medal was awarded for meritorious service. Such service can be over an extended period of time or for outstanding achievement in a single situation. In either case, the recipient must have demonstrated skills and dedication far above the average.

Spec. Breinich earned the award while assigned as a communications security system repairman.



MISS ANNA MAE EBY, Donegal Springs Road, is shown above with a large tomato that grew in her garden this summer, tended by neighbor Kenneth Depoe. The "giant" tomato tipped the scales at 2 lbs. 4 ozs. and measured 18½ ins. in circumference. A companion tomato she brought along had the same circumference but weighed only two pounds.

All New Pupils Urged To Register By Aug. 27

The Donegal School District is urging all new pupils to register in their assigned building office on or before Tuesday, Aug. 27.

The building offices are open from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. each weekday. Any previous school records, including birth certificates, will be useful in this registration. The withdrawal of any pupils not planning to return to the Donegal Schools in 1974-75 also would be helpful and appreciated.

The Donegal schools will

open for all students on Wednesday, Sept. 4, on the same time schedules as last year. (Secondary students at 8:10 a.m. and Elementary students at 8:30 a.m.)

An in-service day for the entire professional staff has been scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 3.

There will be some minor changes in the district transportation schedules for 1974-75, but pupils should arrange to be at regular bus stops from prior years at least 10 minutes earlier than usual times.

AND GREEN IT IS!

\$5,550 Track Coating

And, green it is to be! Donegal high school's new running track is to be colored green — not coal black as it stands now.

At its September meeting last Thursday night the District Board of Education voted to have an additional

surface coating installed and to have it green.

The new topping over the expected final coating is to cost \$5550.

It was the original intent that the finish should be green — for Donegal's color
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A REMINDER

A reminder —

Donegal District schools will begin Wednesday morning, Sept. 4. Secondary schools commence at 8:10 a.m. and elementary at 8:30 a.m.

District teachers will hold meetings Tuesday, Sept. 3.