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-EDITORIAL-

Giving of a full and complete pardon to Richard Nixon may be a good thing for the country, but ...

There are any number of reasons why that action, at this time, appears to be ill-advised.

First, it ended a honeymoon which would have served the country well to have been extended. It is inevitable that when President Ford, or any president or any person, begins to make decisions, he will create uproars.

It should have been recognized by almost anyone in Washington that a pardon would become, instantly, a divisive matter, rekindling Watergate fires which, for the time being, were banked.

Judgment, in these times of uncertainty and political distrust, would say that until it became necessary to improve the economic picture in America, the honeymoon atmosphere should have been preserved.

Secondly, at this point, anyone can ask with candor - "Pardon for what?" That is not the whole story, of course, but there is too much unanswered about Watergate to resist the question, even if you have a feeling Nixon is absolutely guilty of something. Until there was some kind of revelation, some court action, some indictment more specific than as of Sept. 1, the "For what" question will always hang unanswered, "swinging in the breeze."

Thirdly, and in the minds of many the most important, there is continued that nagging matter of politics as a "log rolling", "back scratching" "horse trading", "wheeling dealing" business.

The public has had about enough of secret negotiations followed by sudden announcements and some might add, weekend dealings.

Mr. Clean put a smudge on his face which the general public does not admire.

Had the new president used a better "public relations" formula, he could have saved for himself a prolonged honeymoon, preserved his "open above board" image and maybe learned enough to answer the nagging question about "For What?"

Timing, it often is said, is all important!

No self-respecting, conscientious family man has bought President Ford's "his family has suffered enough" statement as a reason for pardoning Richard Nixon.

In the society in which we live, one of the greatest deterrents to unacceptable actions of all kinds, by most men, is the knowledge that his family would suffer if he does not live an upright life.

Ministerium Sets Fall Meeting For Sept. 23

The first fall meeting of the Mount Joy Ministerium will be held on Monday morning, Sept. 23, at the Crossroads Brethren in Christ Church, at 9:30 o'clock.

The Rev. Robert C. Murphy, pastor of the Donegal Springs Presbyterian Church, will speak concerning the Northern Ireland conflict, an area he visited recently.

All ministers of the area are invited to attend. Several matters of important business will need their attention.

★ Letter To Editor ★

Dear Mr. Rainbolt,

In answer to the editorial signed "A Taxpayer," I wish to present a fact to him that may not be known by the writer.

The "money" that Mr. Clarence Schock contributed to the School was to be used for a "specific purpose" i.e. track, and not for general expenses which included the "taxpayers money."

A "special application" of the Schock fund, in this instance for the track, was used wisely and prudently.

My special contributions I gladly donate to the "School" are definitely not the taxpayer's money but my own personal donations for special purposes not included in the budget.

School Board members should be appreciated instead of criticized. The willing "man hours" of donated services per month would total several thousand dollars each and every month.

Donegal has been most fortunate in having dedicated, intelligent, capable men on its board since the inception of the "Donegal School District".

Did "A Taxpayer," happen to read the newspaper accounts of Columbia's and Conestoga Valley's probable costs for a gymnasium?

Donegal's "D.I.G." is a fantastic achievement!! Don't you agree!!

Edith M. Charles



Deaths

ALLEN B. SHEARER
Allen B. Shearer, 71, Mount Joy R2, died Friday, Sept. 13, at 12:45 p.m. in Lancaster General hospital following an illness of three weeks.

He was the husband of Edna G. Ober Shearer.

Born in Mount Joy township, he was a son of the late John M. and Fannie Becker Shearer.

Shearer, a farmer all his life, was a member of the Pleasant View United Zion Church.

Surviving besides his widow are four sons, J. Allen, Mount Joy; David E., Bainbridge; Richard O., Elizabethtown, and Stanley O., Mount Joy; three daughters, Anna Mae, wife of Ralph Frey, Manheim; Elsie Marie, wife of Jay G. Witmer, Manheim, and Ruth Arlene, wife of John Bartgis, Mount Joy; 33 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren and two brothers, Christ B. and Roy B., both of Mount Joy R2.

Services were held from the Nissley funeral home Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock and from the Pleasant View United Zion church at 2 o'clock. Burial was made in the Mount Pleasant Brethren in Christ cemetery.

WEDDINGS

SHIRE - BARTON

The marriage of Miss Carol Barton to Vernon Shire Jr. took place Saturday Sept. 14, at 7 p.m. at the United Presbyterian Church, Marietta.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barton, 221 W. Walnut St., Marietta. She was graduated from Donegal high school. She was employed by Herr's Fruit Stand, Marietta.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Shire, 514 Rambler Road, Manheim. He was graduated from Manheim Central High School. He is employed National Cash Register, Manheim.

Mrs. Thomas Shoemaker, of Marietta was matron of honor. Bridesmaid was Frances Barton, sister of the bride, Marietta. Junior bridesmaid was Tanya Shoemaker of Marietta. Flower girls were Penny Barton, Marietta, and Debra Shire, sister of the bridegroom, Manheim. Richard Ackerly, Marietta, was ringbearer.

Serving as best man was Ronald Fory of Manheim. Ushers were Michael Barton, brother of the bride, Marietta; David Kelsey, Landisville, and Mark Showers, Manheim.

LOUCKS - BROSEY

The marriage of Miss Kathleen D. Brosey to Paul M. Loucks took place Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Bainbridge Church of God with the Rev. J. W. Brandt officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kleeman D. Brosey, Bainbridge R1. She was graduated from Elizabethtown High School. She is employed by Armstrong Cork Co.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Loucks 688 E. Market St., Marietta. He was graduated from Donegal High School and served in the U.S. Army for 13 months. He is employed by R.R. Donnelley Printing Co.

The couple will live in Bainbridge.

COLYER - MILLER

The marriage of Miss Kathy Ann Miller, 3552 Marietta Ave., to Timothy David Colyer took place Saturday, Sept. 14, at 2 p.m. at the Mountville Church of the Brethren with the Rev. Vernon D. Mitchell officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Miller, 33 Park Circle Drive. She was graduated from Hempfield high school and attended Mansfield State College. She is employed by Armstrong Cork Co., technical center.

The bridegroom is the son of Merrill R. Colyer, Mount Joy R1, and the late Esther Colyer. He was graduated from Hempfield high school and is a senior at Millersville State College. He was employed by Howmet Corp. Miss Diane Hartman of

East Petersburg was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were: Miss Jody Miller, Lancaster; Miss Brenda Miller, Lancaster, and Miss Sandra Miller, Lancaster, all sisters of the bride.

Serving as best man was Richard Colyer, brother of the bridegroom, Columbia R2. Ushers were: Michael Miller, brother of the bride, Lancaster; Richard Leibley, Lancaster, and Thomas Rineer, Donwingtown. The couple will live in Silver Spring.

NEFF - GRAYBILL

The marriage of Miss Lee Ann Graybill to J. Gary Neff took place Saturday, Sept. 14, at 3 p.m. at the Salem United Methodist Church, Manheim with the Rev. Russel U. Stahley and the Rev. Clyde D. Fulmer officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald H. Graybill, 834 Hill Crest Drive, Manheim. She was graduated from Manheim Central high school and is employed by National Central Bank.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John W.

Neff, Mount Joy R2. He was graduated from Hempfield high school and attended Lebanon-Valley College. He is employed by Town and Country Realty.

Miss Holly Summy of Manheim was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were: Miss Darlene Neff, sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Karen Good, both of Mount Joy R2.

Serving as best man was Robert Hess of Strasburg R1. Ushers were: Michael Graybill, brother of the bride, Manheim, and Larry Denlinger, Lancaster. The couple will live in Lancaster.

THOME - O'MEARA

The marriage of Miss Patricia Anne O'Meara, Broomall, to Jack Martin Thome took place Aug. 26 at sunset at Mt. LeConte, Smoky Mountains, Tenn., with the Rev. Rufus Morgan officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Barbara O'Meara, Broomall, and Joseph O'Meara, Philadelphia. She was graduated from Penncrest high school and Elizabethtown college with a

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