

Girl Scouts need leaders



Front row, l. to r., Sherry Eisenhower, Mayor Gingrich, Betsy Marley. Back row, Kristen Straub, Sharon Marley, and Deb Pedrick.

The need for more adult leaders in Marietta was brought out at last week's proclamation of Girl Scout Week, March 9 to 15, in Mayor McDevitt's home.

After girls have graduated from the Juniors there is no where for them to go in scouting in Marietta, simply because there are no leaders for the older girls.

Leader Elizabeth Lippold said that there were no leaders in Marietta for girls in the 7th to 12th grades who are interested in scouting. She is the leader of the Juniors (4th, 5th, and 6th graders), and Sandra Rice is leader of the Brownies (2nd and 3rd graders), assisted by Georgette Roberts and Carol Barton.

"The girls are here and waiting for adults," said Mrs. Lippold.

"We need leaders," said Mayor McDevitt.

Tentative plans were made at the signing of the proclamation, also attended by scouts Amy Showalter and Lori Simmons, to initiate a drive for adult leaders



Left to right, Amy Showalter, Lori Simmons, and Elizabeth Lippold watch Mayor McDevitt sign proclamation.

This year marks the 63rd anniversary of the Girl Scouts in the United States. There were only 18 Girl Scouts in 1912 in a Savannah, Ga., troop. Today there are nearly 4 million Girl Scouts and their leaders.

In Mount Joy, Mayor

James Gingrich signed a similar proclamation making March 9 to 15 Girl Scout week in that borough.

Leader Sharon Marley and Scouts Kristen Straub, Deb Pedrick, Sherry Eisenhower, and Betsy Marley witnessed the signing in the borough hall.

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changing, and a lot of people are not aware of how much it has changed.

Even borough officials need to know more about police work today, Chief Millar believes. He says, "We need borough officials to ride with us in the course of our duties, so they can get a better understanding of police and just what they are spending the taxpayers' dollars for."

When Harold Kulman was a member of Marietta Borough Council he used to ride in the cruiser with Millar. Together, they took notes on violations of ordinances and issued letters to violators. True, to his convictions, Millar sent letters noting violations to his own home. No one, not

even the police chief is above the law.

Police work is also becoming more exacting in defending the rights of the accused. A policeman has to keep up with the law. Chief Millar was strongly influenced by the late Henry Rutherford of Marietta, former district attorney of Lancaster County, who encouraged Millar to take legal courses at Harrisburg Community College, the Pennsylvania State Police, and the F.B.I.

Chief Millar predicts that the job of policeman is becoming so professional, that it won't be long until all policemen will be required to be college graduates.

Millar points out that the job of being policeman in a

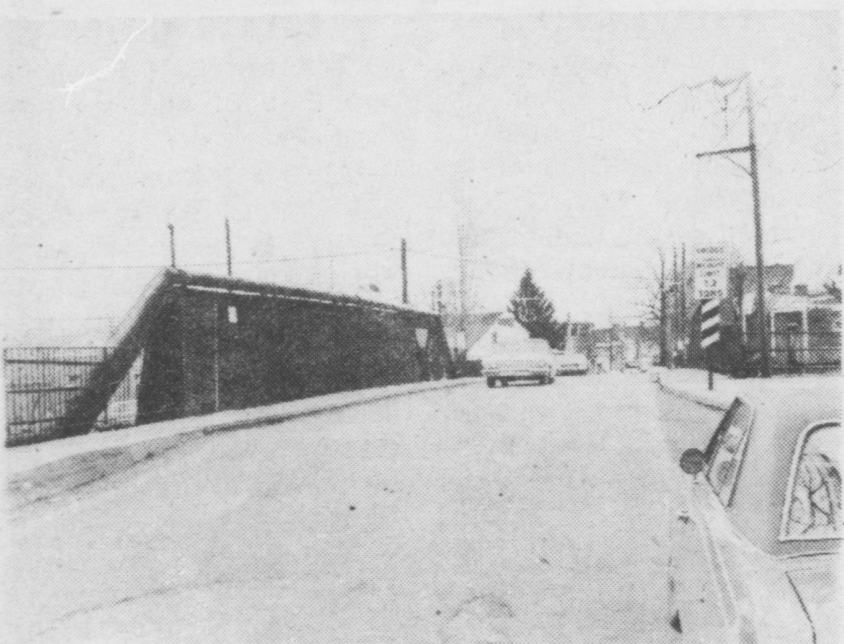
small town is in many ways more difficult than in a large city. In a small community a policeman must be a jack-of-all-trades; whereas in a large city policemen specialize in juvenile work, investigation, laboratory analysis, domestic problems, traffic, or different types of crimes. In a small town like Marietta, a policeman has to know about all phases of police work.

Since some crimes in Marietta are committed by people who live elsewhere, Chief Millar frequently has to travel far in tracking down evidence. Hearings before Magistrate Knorr take him to Mount Joy. Necessary trips out of town interfere with his duties in town:

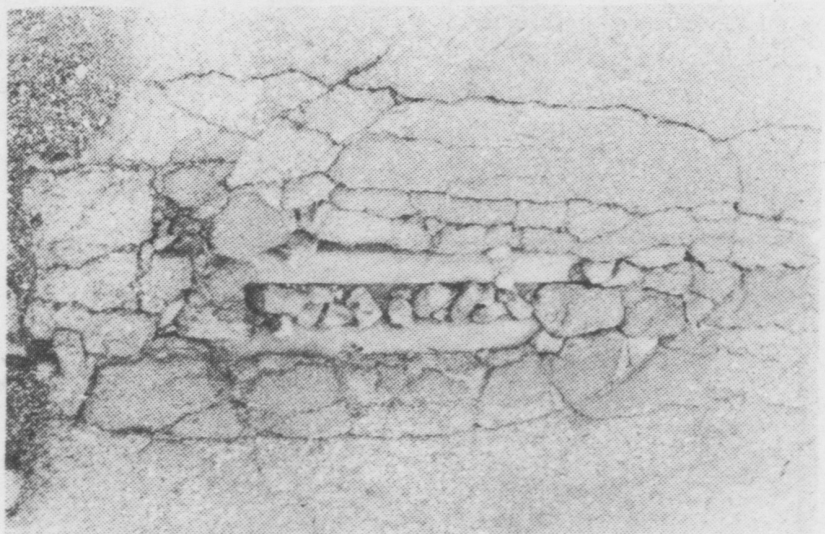
school patrol, checking parking meters, ordinance enforcement, and the increasing amount of office work required by the State.

"Even on my time off, I'm not really off," says Millar. On the "off" day the Bulletin visited Millar in his home, Millar had received a call at 2:25 in the morning which had kept him out until 6:35. The interview with the Bulletin ended when Millar was called out at 11:02 a.m. to go with officer Bill Carman (also "off-duty") to entice a raccoon out of an apartment building. Carman gave the animal a tranquilizer, and he and Millar took it out in the country and gave it its freedom.

Mount Joy presses State to act on bridges



Marietta Ave. bridge over Penn Central RR. in Mount Joy



Hole in Marietta Ave. bridge. Corrugated sheet metal under paving is exposed. Metal yields to pressure of foot. Borough government has been pressing State to act on bridges. Last week PUC responded with request for information for hearing.

Letters to Editor

Dear Editor:

Has anyone seen Holly? Holly, a little fox terrier, white with black ears and a black spot on her back, left her home, 121 East Main St., Mount Joy, on Valentines Day, February 14th. She had lived there for seventeen years.

Her mistress is very lonely and misses her. She was well loved and known

through stories that were told to school children and dental patients.

It is indeed a mystery. I would feel so much better if I only knew what happened to her.

If anyone has seen her or found her little body I would truly appreciate any word.

Sincerely,
Jane L. Walker

Police have to know

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They have a saw which can cut through the steel of a crumpled car in which a crash victim is trapped.

They carry in their cruiser a resuscitator which can save lives which would be lost without it. The Mount Joy police have all received advanced training in first aid.

To be something of a lawyer, doctor, scientist, photographer, mechanic, sociologist, and family counselor requires a lot of training.

Mount Joy sends its police officers to Harrisburg Community College for training in the latest methods of police technology and practice.

Chief Kline has taken 15 or more advanced courses in police work from the F.B.I. and the State Police.

Each member of his force has taken special courses or is scheduled to take special courses. All of the force

have attended college; some are college graduates. Full-time members of the force are: Bill Reuter, Bill Roberts, Frank Aument, Jr., and Dale Good. Part-time members of the force are: James Stetler, John Germer, Barry Stetler, James Grady, and Gary Gallagher.

There are problems, however, with having a highly trained force in a small town. Police salaries paid in small towns are lower than those paid in larger municipalities. Highly trained and skilled professional policemen can command higher wages than are customary in small municipalities. Good men like Fred Nestlerode, who used to be on the Mount Joy force, leave for more money.

Every town wants the best police force it can possibly have. But it takes money to have an up-to-date police force.

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not measure his success by the number of arrests he makes. Often, as in a fight between husband and wife, his appearance is enough to restore tranquility, at least for a while.

Chief Shirk likes his work. Especially challenging is solving crimes. Frequently it takes days, sometimes weeks tracking down the needed evidence.

It took Chief Shirk three days recently to gather evidence that the same youths who burglarized local retail stores and a place in Manheim had also burglarized a private residence all in the same night.

He took a tool bar found in the burglars' car, a door from the house, and finally a small piece of metal weather stripping from the door frame to the State Police ballistics laboratory to prove that it was the burglars' tool bar that pried open the house door. That tool bar had left its peculiar marks on the weather stripping, visible only under a microscope.

Not too long ago he traced a car stolen at Rivermoor Village to York, where it had crashed into a tree. The thieves were found through a girl hitch-hiker they had picked up and

let out of their car just before the crash.

Chief Shirk came back to Columbia where the thieves were reported to live, located them, and found out they had stolen another car in York after their crash there in the first stolen car. In one day they had been in Baltimore, bought some liquor and marijuana there, picked up some girls, wrecked their stolen car, stolen another car, and returned to Columbia, where they were driving around in the second car.

Chief Shirk solved the crime in one day, but it was a long day, running from 8 a.m. when the first stolen car was reported, until 1:30 a.m. the following morning.

He finds the training he received last year in a ten-week course at the State Police Academy at Hershey extremely useful in his crime investigations.

But the job of policing East Donegal gets more difficult and time consuming every day. Chief Shirk used to know practically everyone who lived in the township. That is no longer true. As more and more people move into the township, the job of policing it grows too.

Chief Shirk and his part-time force of J. A. Robinson, Ronald Johns, and Samuel Johns have their hands full.