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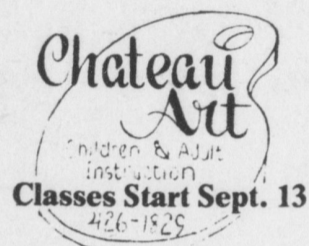
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County drops economically

The economy of the Lancaster County continued to decline in the second quarter.

Business analysts at The Pennsylvania State University said today that the area, late in starting to feel the recession, is now feeling effects of the slack in steel production and hard goods generally.

The job level of three out of five durable goods industries groups was dropping at the end of the quarter. By midyear, the factory job level was the lowest it has been here since 1967, and jobs in other industries were sliding more than seasonally.

Soft goods producers were picking up a bit, and checking account usage was speeding up, the Penn State analysis, published in Pennsylvania Business Survey, indicates.

Poetry Corner

OUR APOLOGIES....to Odesa Biesecker for printing her poems last week without titles. The **one** poem we printed, really is **two** — 'Cloud People' and 'The Brook'.

CLOUD PEOPLE

I like to look up at the sky
And watch the cloud folks passing by.
There's the little girl with her soft, white sheep.
And little Boy Blue still fast asleep.
A pirate ship with its motley crew.
Plundering the sea, the sky of blue.
Look! there's Eeyore, he's lost his tail.
And a milkmaid with her battered pail.
And Goldilocks and Baby bear,
And Rip Van Winkle, I declare!
It's stange, I think, grown folks can't see.
The cloud folks quite as plain as me.

THE BROOK

I wonder where I'd happen to
If I should ever follow you
Down through the shady little glen
Where the wood nymphs come to swim
And sail their leaf boats on your crest
As you meander on your quest
To find the river, then the sea
Through the meadows, past the lea.

Tumbling down the gentle hills
Cutting through the rocks and rills.
Rushing, angry, sometimes when,
Springtime swells your banks with rain.
When winter comes and chills your bed.
And heaps the snow upon your head.
Then your babbling voice is hushed.
Your spirit, frozen, cold and crushed.
But the morrow, new hope brings
Then your throat a new song, sings
When at last you greet the sea.
You're miles and miles away from me.

by O. Biesecker



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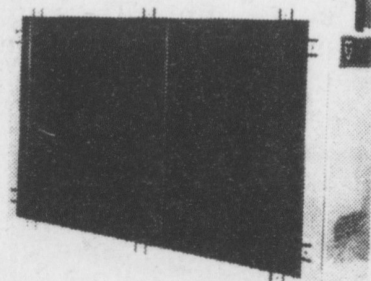
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