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## Quaker Group Expands

### Plans War On Racism

CHESTER — The Friends of the Chester Project, which has devoted much of its time the last two years to fighting consumer fraud, will expand its operations July 1 and fight racism and ghetto problems on New Town.

The agency, sponsored by the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends, will split into two divisions.

One—officially called the Afro-Americans of Chester—will continue to do basically the same kind of work the community agency has been dealing with the past.

The other will be designed to combat racism by working in the white community.

**IN SAME HOUSE**  
Both divisions will be housed in the two-story project located at 317 Tilghman St., James Walker, chairman of the Friends committee dealing with the project, said.

Vinton Deming, 35, of 327 Bellevue Terrace, Upper Chester, will be in charge of the division working in the white community. He has been executive director of the project since it opened in May, 1966.

The division will direct its efforts to educating the white population about the existence and extent of racism and the needs of low-income and minority people.

**COUNTYWIDE**  
Its operations will take place throughout the county. Up to now, the project house has centered its activities on Chester.

Deming already is working within the white community as chairman of a group called People Urging Racial Justice (PURJ), which directs its efforts among the white populace.

Walker said the complete staff of the other project house division has not yet been finalized.

Consumer Education and Protective Association (DEPA) Chairman William Saunders, however, will be in charge of the project's consumer fraud work.

Walker said announcement of additional staff would be announced soon. "There will be an increase in the staff of the Afro-American division," he said.

Although the division will continue to emphasize consumer protection, it will also involve itself in other projects in the Negro community.

## Reelected

CLIFTON HEIGHTS — James C. Lasham, of 79 Chester Ave., has been reelected board chairman of the Democratic Committee of Clifton Heights. Mrs. Evelyn Hess, 132 Academy Road, was elected vice chairman.

McCormick:

## Port

This is a very serious time for all Delaware Counties. The state Legislature has approved a bill for port development in Chester and New Jersey, after a bitter and probably faked fight between Philadelphia Democrats and Pennsylvania Republicans. But it now appears that the vital port development can be killed if New Jersey does not go along.

The question is enormously confusing, but the basic facts are simple. This is what is happening and this is what we must do after we explain what is happening.

First of all, Chester recently got a new Democratic chairman. This probably means nothing, but there is always the chance that the new chairman might decide to establish a branch of the Democratic Party in Chester. This would be terrible for all Delaware County.

That is why the port is vitally needed. The port would provide many jobs for Chester people and if it were handled properly, measures could be taken to insure that all of these jobs go to Republicans. Then there is the money these job holders would pay in political assessments, which could only make the county stronger.

**IN ADDITION**, there is all this land along the river which could be intelligently speculated for by good knowledgeable land speculators.

Delaware County has far too little land speculation and this port geography is vitally needed if the county is to maintain its reputation as a good place to make a killing on land.

So you can see why Philadelphia politicians opposed the port. Their motives were strictly political, base and cheap. Of course, they did not really oppose the port bill or six Philadelphia Democrats would never have broken from their party to support the bill, unless they got paid off, which I doubt.

**NOW HERE** is something to think about: who owns the Delaware River? Nobody knows. Here is this tremendously valuable river, the only thing that keeps Pennsylvania and New Jersey from colliding and nobody knows who owns it.

If the truth be known, you would find that the river is owned by parties who are not interested in either Philadelphia or Chester. I can't prove it, but I have documented rumors that the Communists are behind the river.

What can you do as an average citizen? First of all, you have to remember that New Jersey has a Democratic governor. Why is that? That is a good question. But does it not make sense that a state with a Democratic governor would want to block port development on a river that nobody knows who owns? Think about that.

**AND MEANWHILE**, to pressure New Jersey into doing the right thing and meeting its responsibilities to the Republican Party of Delaware County, people who love this country should voluntarily hand in their automobiles and refuse to drive across the bridges into New Jersey and down to the shore resorts until Governor Hughes forces the New Jersey Democrats to play ball.

If Chester just stayed home one weekend, Wildwood would die. Swarthmore could kill Cape May anytime it wants to. If all Delaware County pastors would just say the word, Ocean City is out of business. It is the thirst of our young Republicans which keeps Somers Point wet.

There is a lot you can do. So bring your cars tonight to the courthouse in Media. Refuse to support sin in New Jersey. Return to God. Send your money to the Republican Finance Committee, care of this newspaper, and please don't forget to leave your keys in the ignition.

## Barbecue Request Rejected

### Unwanted In Upper Chi

UPPER CRICHESTER — The township commissioners said Thursday night they rejected an application for a fund-raising barbecue in Twin Oaks Village because there was no evidence the community wanted the event.

Two Twin Oaks Village residents defended the official action and objected to the proposed barbecue, which would have raised funds for a community cleanup operation.

The rejection was questioned by William Harris, of Chester, and Robert Woodson, director of the Media Fellowship House. The permit had requested permission to conduct an event which would raise funds for the purchase of tractors, lawn mowers, and for the hauling away of debris from the Twin Oaks Village area.

**MUST HELP SELVES**  
"It is important for citizens to help themselves," said Woodson.

Commissioner William Groce said the permit application listed a local church as sponsor of the barbecue but that a check with the church pastor revealed he was not connected with the plans.

Mrs. Lavina Crosby, 241 Broadway Ave., objected to the barbecue, saying it would bring in heavy traffic.

She said barbecues were conducted in the past in the village area and they brought with them "profanity, gambling and drinking."

Ralph Dorville, 318 Jackson St., also opposed the barbecue plans and said "There is, as such, no Twin Oaks Civic Association."

Commissioner P. R. Dennis Thomas C. Roberts told Harris and Woodson their board has "heard nothing but negative comments" about the barbecues from the village people.

"If you have more to go on and the permit application is organized group representing the people in the community who are welcome to come to the next meeting and we will reconsider your request," he said.

Harris, who said he lived in Twin Oaks for 40 years before moving, and Woodson, who reported he had been asked to accompany Harris to the meeting, were told there was no need to raise funds to haul away debris.

## TRUCKS WILL COME

Groce, sanitation chairman, said that when clean up days are conducted, all residents have to do is place the junk at the curb and call the township office. Trucks will be sent to haul the stuff away, he said.

In other business, the township board set a July 15 hearing day for a change of zoning request from Russell Richardson Associates, which wants to change from commercial to industrial a 4.3 acre tract west of Market Street south of the B & O Railroad.

# Marple Newtown Files School Suit Objections

## Plotts Appointed Police Chief By Nether Providence Board

NETHER PROVIDENCE — Sgt. C. Raymond Plotts, 33, of 387 Manchester Avenue was appointed police chief by the township commissioners Thursday night.

Plotts, who has been on the police force since 1958, has been in charge of the department since February when he was named to take over the duties of the late Walter A. Sydnor, who was granted a leave of absence because of ill health and died Feb. 23.

Early last month, the 11-man Nether Providence Police Force presented the commissioners with a letter expressing their confidence in Plotts and urging his immediate appointment as chief.

The announcement Thursday evening by Police Commissioner

Francis P. Desmond, followed Plotts' certification by the civil service commission.

The new chief was born and educated in Media. Following his graduation from Media High School he served for two years as desk clerk in the Media police department.

From 1953 to 1955 he served with the Military Police in Japan and soon after his discharge he joined Nether Providence as a patrolman. He was promoted to the rank of sergeant in May, 1963.

Until recently, he was associated with Boy Scout Troop 277 as assistant scout master for 2½ years and scout master for two years.

Plotts is married to the former Marjorie Worrell of Chester Heights and they have three sons.



RAYMOND PLOTTS

## Early Argument Sought

### Cost Risks Feared

**MEDIA COURTHOUSE** — The Marple Newtown School Authority tried again Thursday to block a suit aimed at preventing erection of a Marple elementary school.

Solicitor Raymond E. Larson filed preliminary objections to the equity suit brought last week by Mrs. Donna T. Roether of Marple.

He contended the equity court was without jurisdiction and the facts alleged in the suit do not set forth a cause of action.

Larson contended she could have filed an appeal of a Marple Zoning Board of Adjustment decision granting a special exception for the school but failed to do so.

On Wednesday, Judge Louis A. Bloom dismissed the authority's first attempt to halt the suit.

Larson had asked the court to order Mrs. Roether to either drop her suit or post a \$1-million bond.

The judge concluded that he had no authority to do this, and that Larson should have filed preliminary objections.

The objections have to be argued before the court en banc. Larson plans to ask Judge Bloom for an early argument because of the time involved.

At hearings Friday and Tuesday, authority witnesses had said the cost of construction and the interest rate on a bond could amount to nearly \$500,000 as a result of the suit.

The bids have been opened and a \$2.1-million bond issue has been awarded. However, award of the bids and sale of the bonds have been blocked by the suit.

Mrs. Roether's attorney, contending her suit is the granting of the special exception is void because the advertisements for the hearing were carried in a Marple weekly newspaper not published with legal notices.

The school site is the Halcyon Farms tract, between Palmer's Mill and Cedar Grove Roads.

## City Group To Join March

CHESTER — About 60 city residents are planning to take part in a poor people's demonstration day Wednesday in Washington, D.C.

Granville Lash, of the Chester Support Committee for the Poor People's Campaign, said Monday three buses have been hired for the trip.

"There is no charge and poor people from Chester will be given priority for the bus seats," Lash said.

He said residents must sign up for the seats by 5 p.m. Monday through the Chester Home Improvement Project office, 311 W. 3rd St.

The committee reported \$570 and 13 barrels of food have been collected in Chester for the campaign.

Lash said 10 barrels of food already have been sent to Resurrection City, the home of the poor people's march.

The three buses are scheduled to leave Chester at 8 a.m. from 3rd and Tilghman Sts. and return by 10 p.m.

Lash said a meeting will be held for those planning to take the trip.

## Man Robbed

CHESTER — A 55-year-old Upper Chester man was robbed of \$100 Thursday shortly after cashing a check at a downtown bank.

Frank Hutchinson, 403-A Concord Road, told police he was walking on 11th Street near 11th and 12th Sts. when three men knocked him to the sidewalk.

## No One Opposes GCM's Status At Public Hearing in Chester

CHESTER — The Greater Chester Movement (GCM), which received the support of the Delaware County commissioners last March in a bid to continue as the county's anti-poverty agency, cleared another hurdle Thursday.

No one opposed GCM at a designation of the anti-poverty public hearing required by federal law before official

Carmichael

THE FOOD IS GREAT — BUT THE MENU IS INSCRUTABLE—

CHINA CAFE

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## Perfetti Elected

CLIFTON HEIGHTS — Vincent Perfetti, 118 Jackson Ave., was elected council president Thursday night, following the resignation of Christopher J. Conboy.

Conboy, 92 E. Berkeley Ave., had served as president for three years. His resignation, submitted on the recommendation of a doctor, was accepted with regrets.

The election of Perfetti, a Republican, was unanimous.

GOP candidate James Nauly, 25 E. Windsor Ave., was chosen over John Cipolla, 207 N. Sycamore St., who was nominated by Democrats on council.

The resignation of Conboy, a Republican, was submitted last month but had not taken effect until Thursday night.

# Brookhaven Pupils Form Club to Lose Pounds

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BROOKHAVEN — Overweight pupils at Ceebourn Elementary School have formed a club to help them lose pounds sensibly.

The organization was started by Mrs. Constance Carlson, school nurse, who became concerned about the health of students after noticing some of them were unable to take an active part in sports because they were overweight.

She devised a program enabling the children to safely control their weight and lose some of the excess they already had acquired.

The club was formed with the approval of the school's principal and the school district's medical director.

Mrs. Carlson spoke with pupils and their parents, asking their cooperation in the controlled diet practice program.

Family doctors also were consulted.

**THE CHILDREN**—Many of them totting low-calorie lunches to school — eat together in a room separate from the school cafeteria.

Mrs. Carlson plans menus for three daily meals of a balanced diet. No in-between-meal snacks are permitted.

The club has been in operation for two months and each of the members is showing progress.

**EACH OF THE** pupils is weighed weekly and a progress chart is kept for each by Mrs. Carlson.

In school activities where food is involved, the children—aided by their parents and Mrs. Carlson—provide their own refreshments of low starch and carbohydrate content.

The club plans on having a picnic before school closes for the summer, said Mrs. Carlson.

But the diets will be stuck to even on the picnic.

After all, clubs have to have rules.



DAVID DAVIS, 12, checks weight of Dawn Laventure, 11.

DAVID LEE, 11, and Debra Loftland, 10, exercise for nurse Mrs. John A. Carlson at Ceebourn Elementary School in Brookhaven.