

Legislators aim to revitalize region

Passage of Jeri E. Stumpf's state legislative proposals is expected to revitalize York County municipalities and eliminate blight. Stumpf is the director of the urban affairs committee of the State House of Representatives.

His actions were publicized in the July 6 Around Town, and he wrote that the proposals would be of great assistance to the city. Later, he added that municipalities such as Hanover and Red Lion would benefit by the new laws.

State Rep. Steven R. Nichol, after reading that column, adds that Hanover and Penn Township are in the process of applying for state funding through the Department of Community and Economic Development to undertake regional planning initiatives.

"My assistant, Charles Peck, a Hanover borough

councilman, has been particularly active in bringing together these two municipalities in making this application. I believe he has even obtained West Manchester Township's commitment to participate. Chuck recognizes that with passage of Acts 67 and 68, these municipalities that engage in joint planning will have an advantage in securing state financial assistance for any local projects," writes Nichol.



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Hanover, as an older industrial community, faces many of the same challenges as York City and other urban centers, Nichol says. "Acts 67 and 68 are particularly meaningful to us; after all, Hanover Borough is actually larger in population than half of the third-class cities in Pennsylvania," Nichol writes Around Town.

He says he is also aware of joint planning efforts in southern York County and

the Dillsburg area. "These communities may not share in some of the urban-type problems facing York City and Hanover Borough, but they can benefit from the legislation," Nichol writes. Stumpf is a former York City planner but has been with the state house committee for 28 years.

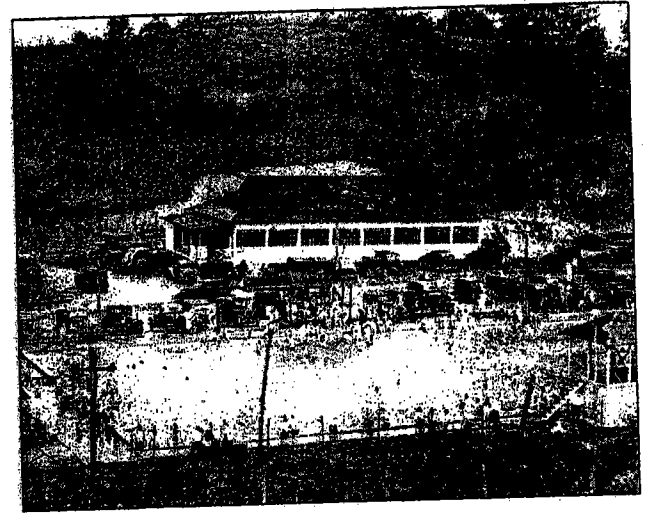
Plans are under way for dedication of Hanover Junction Railroad Station on Nov. 18, announces Tom Brant, director of the York County Board of Parks and Recreation.

Included is installation of "Horse and Hike" sculpture by Leonard Streckfus to honor Tim Fulton and the York County Rail Trail Authority. The station is along the rail trail. Fulton was chairman of the authority from 1990 to 1999. Also, the restored Hanover Junction National Landmark sign will be returned for the dedication. A reproduction of the Nov. 19-20 newspaper,

the New York Tribune, with an announcement of President Lincoln changing trains at Hanover Junction en route to Gettysburg will be exhibited. Reenactment of the raiding of the station by descendants of Col. E.V. White and his 35th Virginia Cavalry is also scheduled.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr., a staunch defender of the environment, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 18 at York College as part of its cultural season. His late father was U.S. attorney general. Also, Dr. Dot Richardson, who led the U.S. Olympic softball team to victory in the Atlanta and Sydney games, will speak at 7:30 p.m. March 14.

Joe Clark, who took over as principal of New Jersey's Eastside High School in Paterson and expelled 300 students on a single day in his first week on the job, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20. He re-



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stored discipline to the school and was praised by state officials.

Two 50-minute one-act American chamber operas will be presented by Frederick Schreiner, York College music director. The operas are "The Telephone" and "The Old Maid and the

Thief" and will be performed at 7 p.m. Dec. 7.

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