

**November 16, 1997**

**25 Years Ago** County Park Plan Gets Hearing—Carroll County's top planners unfolded a twenty year open space and outdoor recreation plan at a public hearing Wednesday night. In a hearing room crowded with concerned and civic minded citizens, the County Commissioners with members of the planning and zoning commission and the parks board presented, explained and considered comments on a 20 year projection of Carroll County Recreational needs. The plan developed by the Urban Research and Development Corporation, a private firm in Bethlehem, Pa., identifies existing, potential and possible recreation sites which might be available during the next two decades. Designed to avoid piecemeal acquisition without regard to population growth and density, the plan nevertheless shys away from a "strict timetable" or priorities for the acquisition of any property. The plan, displaying a psychedelic array of blue, orange and red hash marks, considered recreation needs in four county area, both rural and urban. *The Carroll Record*, November 16, 1972.

**50 Years Ago** Pfc. Hull Killed in Belgium Buried—First Military Service In Carroll County; Funeral Services At New Windsor Wednesday—Funeral services for the first Carroll County World War II victim to be re-interred in this country, were held Wednesday afternoon at New Windsor. Full military rites were accorded Pfc. Richard M. Hull, son of Mrs. Margaret Hull, Taneytown, who was killed in action in Belgium on January 12, 1945. Rev. Guy Bready officiated at the services at 2 p.m. in the New Windsor funeral home and Taneytown Post, American Legion, conducted military services, interment in Baust Church cemetery. The flag-draped casket was placed in Hartzler's funeral home in New Windsor, where friends called to pay their last respects. Pfc. Hull, who was 24 at the time of his death, had been buried in Henri Chapelle cemetery in Belgium. His body arrived October 26 in New York aboard the Army Transport Joseph D. Connelley and has been resting at the Quartermaster Depot in Philadelphia, pending release. *Democratic Advocate*, November 21, 1947.

**75 Years Ago** Strong Man At Opera House—With the vaudeville show playing at the Opera House is the strong man of the Nation. Last evening he pulled by his teeth William H. Bower's automobile, containing five passengers, a total weight of about 4000 pounds on Main street in front of the Opera. On tomorrow evening he will leave a two ton truck run over his back. Big feature pictures are included with the show. *Democratic Advocate*, November 17, 1922.

**100 Years Ago** Manchester—Mr. Chas. Betts, of S. Main street, who runs a cigar factory at Melrose, and drives to and fro each day, was returning home on Wednesday evening, accompanied by his father, in a buggy and when near Mr. Miller's, north of town, the bolt holding the shafts in place came out and the shafts dropped on the horse's heels causing him to jump and plunge forward. The buggy running to one side, struck a deep gully and Mr. B. was thrown with great force to the ground and was not able to get up. He was found by Rev. S. M. Roeder, who brought him to his home. Dr. J. F. B. Weaver was called and found him badly bruised but no bones were broken, and if he has not sustained internal injury will soon be able to get out. The horse ran for some distance but at last stopped and the elder Mr. B. was able to get out and get the lines which had fallen to the ground when the accident happened. *American Sentinel*, November 20, 1897.