

Six Trucks Loaded With \$700 Worth Of Merchandise Bring Christmas Cheer

Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company Completes Work Of Gathering Finances and supplies.

TREE PROGRAM TONIGHT

Ferman Wilson, aged 47, East Dallas carpenter contractor and former member of Dallas township school board is in Nesbitt Memorial hospital in a serious condition as the result of burns received about the face, arms and hands when his automobile with three others burned Tuesday afternoon following an automobile crash on Sordoni highway about one-half mile north of Luzerne.

Information concerning the accident is not clear, but it is believed that Mr. Wilson's car caught fire when it collided with a Crew Levick gasoline truck and gasoline spilled from the cans on the truck down over the engine of the Wilson machine. Apparently in a dazed condition from the effects of the shock, Mr. Wilson made no effort to get out of his machine or to extinguish the flames. Edward Button, driver of the truck pulled Wilson from his car and James Hutchinson, agent for Luzerne County Farm Bureau cut the clothing from his body and with William Harris of Alderson took the injured man to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Drivers Held in Bail

The drivers of the other three machines were arraigned before Justice of the Peace James Morgan at Kingston, Wednesday and held in \$1,000 bail each to await the outcome of Wilson's injuries. They were: Edward Button, 100 South Bennett street, Kingston; George Prater, of Shayvonting, and William Harris, of Alderson.

Wilson was driving toward home according to Edward Avery, Kingston township constable, who, with Curtis Anderson, Dallas township constable, investigated the accident. Button, driving an oil truck, was traveling toward Luzerne, and it collided with the Wilson coupe. Prater, following Wilson, crashed into the other two machines, and Harris, operating a truck, failed in his effort to avoid the other cars.

Wilson's car was not upset by the crash. It was turned part way around, facing Tobin's Creek, Constable Avery is of the opinion that the gas tank in the car was smashed by the impact with the oil truck. To this is attributed the fire which burned Wilson and damaged his machine and two other cars.

Wedding Anniversary

By a coincidence, Wilson would have celebrated his twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on Thursday, in that he is fighting a battle for his life in a hospital cot in Nesbitt Memorial hospital, where physicians say his crisis will not have passed until several days have elapsed.

Firemen Plan Building

Officers Appointed At Recent Meeting Held At Home Of Senator J. Sordoni.

Members of Harvey's Lake Fire Company No. 1 at a meeting held recently at the home of Senator A. J. Sordoni discussed plans for the erection of a combined community house, fire station and fire company building at Harvey's Lake.

A committee composed of I. A. Rood, Ed Yeager, Otis Allen, Michael Sordoni and Lyman Williams was appointed to investigate possible locations for such a building and report back to the company at a meeting to be held early in January.

At present there are no adequate housing facilities for the fire company's equipment, the chemical truck and pumper is housed in an unheated barn on the property of Otis Allen.

Members of the company are of the belief that the proposal for a combined police station and fire house at the Lake will meet with widespread approval among the summer residents and that the money for the building can be raised so that work can get under way within the immediate future.

Proposed at the meeting, the building will be heated and have ample space for the fire truck and storage of company equipment. Offices of Harvey's Lake police force will be in the building and there will be detention cells on the lower floor. Men hope that it will be possible to have a recreation room and gym in the building.

First National Stockholders Are Guests At Dinner

Clifford Space Gives History of Local Institution At Dinner Incident To Opening of New Building

CASHIER IS TOASTMASTER

Stockholders of First National Bank of Dallas held a dinner in the M. E. church on Friday evening. Opening of the new bank will take place about January 15. In the absence of George Wright, president, due to illness, William J. Jeter was toastmaster. Invocation was by Rev. Frank Hartsock, B. S., D.D. The toastmaster read a letter of regret from Mr. Wright on his inability to be present. Clifford Space gave a history of the bank. H. G. Buel spoke on the construction of the new building and the future of the bank. Samuel Griffith gave a number of piano selections, and Mrs. Harold Titman, soprano, and Mrs. James R. Oliver, contralto, sang duets.

Present: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Jeter, H. G. Buel, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Titman, Frederick J. Eck, Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Hartsock, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford W. Space, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Oliver, Samuel Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Garrahan, P. F. Genter, C. E. Hersh, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Frantz, J. B. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Hildebrand, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. John Isaacs, Ruth Water, Mrs. William H. Whipp, C. Faye, Whipp, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whipp, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Frantz.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Nulton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hess, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Devens, Leonard S. Machell, Eleanor Machell, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Machell, Ira D. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Honeywell, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brickel, Mrs. J. L. Ryman, Fred J. Youngblood, Warden Kunkle, Mrs. Elizabeth Kunkle, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Rood.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Rood, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Warden, Mr. and Mrs. George Bulford, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shiber, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Newman, Marguerite Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. Paul B. Shaver, Mr. and Mrs. Sander Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kuehn, Lettie A. Lee, Mrs. Henry Lee, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Neely.

FORMER RESIDENT DEAD

Morgan Wilcox has received word from his stepmother Mrs. Fred E. Chapman, of Pasadena, California that Mr. Chapman died, December 10th, of heart trouble. Mrs. Chapman was the former Mrs. Chester Wilcox and lived in Wilkes-Barre, Dallas and Harvey's Lake for many years.

THAT HOLIDAY FEELING

JUST before Christmas they all felt so tired. They had been busy doing so much—shopping, keeping up with work that had to be done, making puddings and pies, cranberry jelly. Oh, there was so much for every one to do around Christmas time.

Every one was busy with something or other—rushing to get everything finished in time. And every one felt tired.

But just as Christmas approached it seemed that new strength entered into each one. It was the beautiful holiday feeling, the feeling of joy and gaiety, of thankfulness for friends, of thankfulness for home, of rejoicing for families.

The tired feeling drew away into the background. In its place came the holiday feeling—the feeling of good will to all, of peace and of contentment over the lasting possessions belonging to mankind—the possessions on which one could never put a price.

That holiday feeling brought all that was good into the foreground. No one would have missed it for anything in the world.—Mary Graham Bonner.

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Township Parents Attend School Christmas Program in Large Number

With more than 150 persons attending, Dallas township Parent-Teacher Association held its December meeting with a special Christmas program in the Vocational school building on Monday night.

Prior to the opening of the meeting the school band, under the direction of Prof. Rich, played several selections.

Following the opening of the meeting by the president of the association the assemblage sang "Oh Little Star of Bethlehem" followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Sixth Gets Banner

Upon completion of reports of the secretary and treasurer, the Association was presented with a red and white satin attendance banner bearing a white keystone with red letters. The banner, designed by George Russ of Fernbrook, will be presented each month to the grade having the largest number of parents present at the association meeting. The honor for the first month went to the parents of the sixth grade pupils.

The entertainment program opened with the boys' chorus singing Christmas Carols, followed by an interesting dance, "The Dance of the Snow Fairies." The girls who took part in this number were dressed in white and silver making a beautiful and graceful appearance as they were joined by boys dressed in the red garb of Santa Claus. During the chorus all lights

were extinguished and a drill was presented with all the girls carrying lighted candles. Following this the boys' chorus sang, "We Three Kings of Orient Are" and the girls' chorus sang, "Oh! Holy Night."

A Christmas play, "Christmas Eve at the Mulligans" was much enjoyed and depicted the true Christmas spirit. Mrs. Newell of Fernbrook accompanied by Samuel Griffith, pianist, gave two vocal selections.

Paper on Dickens

Mrs. George Aughterton read a delightful paper, "Christmas as Charles Dickens Knew It." Mrs. Aughterton spoke of the great English novelist as the "apostle of December, the fireside and the Yuletide. Everyone who would seek the true interpretation of Christmas spirit in books must consult Dickens, for no other writer has put so much good fireside and Christmas spirit in mouths of his characters as Dickens has in his wonderful stories. Dickens was the champion of the oppressed and the censor of the selfish rich. A single one of his tales was far more serious and convincing than lengthy homilies in which Christian Charity was lacking."

Much credit for the success of the program was due to Miss Love, Miss Woolbert and Miss Van Tuyle who worked diligently with their pupils in preparation for the special entertainment features. Refreshments were

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Mrs. T. D. Wolfe Laid At Rest

Aged Carverton Woman Was Decedent of Pioneer Wyoming Valley Family

Mrs. Lucinda Church Wolfe, aged 86, died at her home, 30 Ninth Street, Wyoming, Wednesday evening, December 16, following an illness of three months duration. She was the widow of the late Theodore D. Wolfe.

Mrs. Wolfe was born at Carverton, and was a direct descendant of one of the pioneer families of Wyoming Valley. She has lived at Wyoming for a number of years and was a member of the Wyoming Methodist Episcopal Church. Surviving is one daughter, Ada L. Wolfe, a teacher at Guthrie School, Wilkes-Barre, two sisters Mrs. Elizabeth Wesley and Mrs. Harriet Barnes of Pikes Creek and one brother, A. A. Church, of Pen Yan, New York.

The funeral was held from the home Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. George G. Summerson, pastor of Wyoming M. E. Church officiated, assisted by Rev. Joshua Brundie, of Wilkes-Barre. Mrs. Summerson sang, "Going Down the Valley" and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." Interment was in Maple Grove Cemetery, at Pikes Creek.

The pall bearers, all nephews were Jesse Hann, Albert Jamison, Charles Wolfe, Fred Wolfe, Ira E. Gallup, Steward Pollock.

Aged Resident Dies At Daughter's Home

Mrs. Sarah Jacobs Would Have Been Ninety-five on New Year's Day

Mrs. Sarah M. Jacobs, one of the oldest residents of the Dallas region died Monday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Hale of Dallas, of complications. She had been in ill health for the last six months. Mrs. Jacobs would have been 95 on New Year's day.

Mrs. Jacobs was the widow of Benjamin Jacobs of Bridesburg, Pa. Following his death many years ago she came to Dallas and made her home with her daughter. Despite her advanced age she was mentally alert and evinced a great interest in present-day affairs. She was active until about a year ago.

Surviving are a son, John Jacobs, of Denver, and one daughter, Mrs. Hale; also six grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at 4 with brief services at the home of Mrs. Hale. Interment was private in Cedar Hill cemetery, Frankfort, Philadelphia.

East Dallas Man Seriously Burned In Auto Crash and Gasoline Blaze

May Establish All Year Auto Testing Stations

Some of Those Approved Will Be on Permanent Basis

INSPECTION STARTS JAN. 1.

Garages and service stations in rural communities of less than 10,000 population will be appointed permanent official motor vehicle inspection stations where the need exists and provided they otherwise meet regulations established by the Department of Revenue, Benjamin G. Eynon, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, said recently. This will be done to enable motor vehicle owners in such localities to comply with the law requiring motor vehicle inspection.

In sections other than distinctly rural communities the department has fixed certain space requirements which applicants for appointment as inspection stations must meet. Applicants in communities of 45,000 or more population must have space to service a minimum of four cars. Those in communities of 45,000 or more population must have space to service a minimum of two cars.

Approximately 7500 owners of garages and service stations have applied to the department for appointment as permanent inspection stations. Of that number about 35 per cent, have been rejected by State Highway patrolmen as not meeting department requirements. This rejection is not necessarily final, Commissioner Eynon said. Those rejected may apply for another examination, he declared, but a second rejection will follow unless the defects have been remedied. He added:

No Favoritism

"No favoritism will be shown in making appointments. Every applicant will have a square deal, but the department intends to protect motorists and legitimate motor vehicle repair shops. We are going to give the Pennsylvania car owner an inspection which will bring about a correction of safety equipment and reduce accidents. Following appointment each shop will have to submit to regular inspection. Those not living up to requirements will be dropped."

Among some of the causes for rejection are lack of facilities for testing lights and brakes. No appointment will be made of an applicant who intends to test brakes on the highway on curves or on the crest of hills. Applicants are also being rejected because of insufficient knowledge of brakes and headlights or of the requirements of inspection. Others have been rejected because of misstatements on their application concerning space, equipment or the number of mechanics in their employ.

All old official headlight and brake-adjusting station appointments will be invalid after January 1. The work formerly done by such stations will be performed by the permanent official inspection station.

The first of the two compulsory mo-

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Ferman Wilson, Former Township School Director Will Be In Hospital Several Weeks

THREE DRIVERS HELD

Six trucks loaded with \$700 worth of foodstuffs, clothing and toys will distribute Christmas cheer to needy families of the community today as Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire company completes its work of Christmas basket distribution.

For more than a month members of the fire company and committees have been doing the work of investigation and solicitation so that there might not be a cheerless home in any section of the back mountain region on Christmas Day.

Loaded on the trucks this morning were seventy-five baskets of food. Each basket contained a five pound roast of meat, 25 pounds of flour, five pounds of oatmeal, two cans of milk, two pounds of butter, five pounds of sugar, six cans of fruit and vegetables, two loaves of bread and one pound of candy. This was the minimum sized basket, but the size of the baskets varied with the number in the families and all contained many more items than those mentioned above.

Hundreds of bright colorful toys were distributed. There were 102 pairs of shoes. The boys got heavy tan high-toppers with a special knife pocket and knife in it. The girls got pretty tan oxfords sturdily built for hard wear. 150 pairs of stockings were also included in the firemen's Christmas order as were fifteen pairs of articles and fifty suits of underwear. Thirty bushels of potatoes were also included in the firemen's Christmas Cheer trucks as they drove away from Christmas headquarters in the Kunkle building. A. L. Parks of the Park's Baking company again donated the bread as he did last year.

Adam Kiefer Responsible

The firemen's Christmas Cheer work this year was inspired by Adam Kiefer of Shrine View who suggested the idea at a recent meeting of the company and started off the fund with a contribution of \$200. Everybody in the community soon fell in with the idea and soon contributions for the work were coming in from all sides and dozens of men and women offered their assistance in the work of investigating needy homes, soliciting funds and materials and in preparing and packing the baskets. Toys were repainted to look like new and clothing was repaired and put in first class shape. Many contributed canned vegetables and fruits and farm produce. A benefit motion picture at Himmler theatre and a Charity dance at Kunkle helped to increase the funds in the treasury. Besides the Christmas fund for needy families, the firemen also raised a purse of \$100 from its membership to be given to an injured member of the fire company on Christmas Day. All of the merchandise used for distribution was bought at wholesale from local merchants.

Committee Members

Members of committees were: Purchasing, Adam Kiefer, Warden Kunkle and John Yapple; Investigation committee, Warden Kunkle, Mrs. G. A. A. Kuehn, Mrs. Nellie Hislop, Mary Still, Mrs. William Vivian, Mrs. Ferman Wilson, Mrs. George Norton, Mrs. Leon Kintz, Mrs. John Isaacs, Mrs. F. P. Kunkle and Mrs. Merle Shaver; Packing, Warden Kunkle, John Yapple, Mrs. Ralph Hallock, Mary Still, Mrs. James Oliver, Mrs. Clyde Vietch, Mrs. Addison Woolbert, Mrs. Warden Kunkle and Mrs. Nesbitt Garinger; Finances, Charles Riegler, Clyde Vietch and Morgan Wilcox.

A Forest Christmas Tree

By Arthur Guiterman In Mirthful Lyre

DEEP in the heart of the timberlands The Christmas fir of the woodfolk stands, Bright with the glitter the Frost King loans To its rich green tassels and its dark brown cones. And the woodfolk come through the drifted snow For their Yuletide gifts that are heaped below: Bark for the beaver, sprouts for the hare, Golden honey for the drowsy bear. Moss for the doe and the antlered buck, Wildwood apples for the gray woodchuck, Nuts for the chipmunk, haws for the grouse, And alder fruit for the white-foot mouse.

Following the Christmas Eve services tonight at Dallas M. E. church there will be Carol singing and a Christmas program at the Community Christmas tree on Main street Dallas. The program will include singing by the assemblage, Carols by the M. E. choir, selections by the Dr. Henry M. Laing fire company band which will make its premier appearance. There will also be short talks by Dr. Frank Hartsock, pastor Dallas M. E. church, and Morgan Wilcox who will speak as representative of the Fire company. It is not expected that the program will get underway before 9:45.