

## We Remember

### KILLED IN ACTION

RICHARD WELLINGTON CEASE, January 29, 1942  
 KEATS POAD, March 3, 1942  
 DONALD FREEMAN, March 31, 1942  
 WALTER CECIL WILSON, June 28, 1942  
 HAROLD THOMAS KEPNER, December 19, 1942  
 JOHN P. GLEASON, March 30, 1943  
 JOHN E. FRITZ, May 7, 1943  
 CLIFFORD S. NULTON, November 26, 1943  
 ELWOOD BLIZZARD, March 1, 1944  
 ROBERT RESSIGUE, April 20, 1944  
 ROBERT A. GIRVAN, May 14, 1944  
 SAMUEL GALLETTI, May 23, 1944  
 OTTO W. HARZDORF, June 1, 1944  
 JAMES DeANGELO, June 22, 1944  
 WILLIAM STRITZINGER, July 9, 1944  
 HERBERT C. CULP, July 12, 1944  
 ELWOOD R. RENSHAW, August 20, 1944  
 JAMES B. DAVIES, August 25, 1944  
**FREDERICK LOVELAND, September 12, 1944**  
 HARRY BEAN, September 13, 1944  
 EDWARD METZGAR, October 12, 1944  
 CHARLES KINSMAN, November 5, 1944  
 DONALD L. MISSON, December 11, 1944  
 WILLIAM J. GAREY, December 12, 1944  
 PAUL S. KOCHER, December 17, 1944  
 JOSEPH YANEK, December 22, 1944  
 JOHN E. REESE, December 26, 1944  
 GEORGE H. RAY, January 9, 1945  
 CHESTER GORCZYNSKI, January 10, 1945  
 THEODORE SCOUTEN, January 12, 1945  
 HARRY S. SMITH, January 15, 1945  
 WILLIAM SNYDER FRANTZ, January 22, 1945  
 EDISON WALTERS, February 1, 1945  
 LESTER L. CULVER, February 9, 1945  
 JOSEPH RUSHNKO, March 11, 1945  
 DONALD J. MALKEMES, March 16, 1945  
 ARDEN R. EVANS, March 19, 1945  
 DANIEL T. MORRIS, April 11, 1945  
 WILLIAM PHILLIPS, May 4, 1945  
 DAVID DECKER, May 14, 1945  
 RICHARD E. JONES, May 27, 1945  
 BURTON E. BONELL, August 28, 1945

### DIED IN SERVICE

GEORGE UTRICH, May 6, 1942  
 HOWARD A. COSGROVE, July 3, 1942  
 ROBERT F. REILLY, June 20, 1943  
 THOMAS CLARK LLOYD, July 4, 1943  
 EVAN J. BRACE, February 15, 1944  
 GEORGE S. RACE, October 26, 1944  
 JOHN LAITY, January 1, 1945  
 RAYMOND H. LOVELAND, January 8, 1945  
 JOSEPH POLACHEK, January 22, 1945  
 ROY G. SCHULTZ, February 19, 1945  
 LAWRENCE GAVKE, February 26, 1945  
 HOWARD E. LYNN, April 1, 1945  
 CHARLES BILLINGS, April 3, 1945  
 FRANCIS SIDORICK, June 17, 1945  
 FRANCIS GREY, June 25, 1945  
 RALPH FLOWER, October 13, 1945  
 MICHAEL W. O'BOYLE, December 29, 1945

## Editorially Speaking:

### Time To Become Concerned

As a property owner and taxpayer this newspaper is concerned with the recent turn of events in the management of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company.

We are concerned because we want the best possible fire protection this community can afford. We know we are not going to get it unless the people who own real estate and foot the fire company bills, take an aggressive and active interest in the company.

There is no room for politics and small town prejudices in the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company. Nor do personal likes and dislikes or ambitions have any place in its management. There is too much at stake to let the fire company be the pawns of those whose responsibility to the community ceases after their personal ambitions or whims are satisfied.

We remember only too well the days in 1939 when the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company had fallen to such low estate that it was a question whether the company could longer exist either as an effective fire fighting organization or as a social club. It was honeycombed with politics; leadership was irresponsible and there was less than \$15 in the treasury.

That was when a group of concerned property owners headed by Burgess H. A. Smith took the bull by the horns and determined to put the company back on its feet—not as a social organization or a plaything for youngsters but as an organization that could render effective fire protection in Dallas and the surrounding communities.

Once the community saw what was up, it immediately came to the aid of these men with substantial contributions and moral support. Fred Kiefer and Howell Rees wrote theatrical productions that played to capacity houses. As money poured in, physical equipment of the company was put in ship shape. Harry Ohlman, as president, put through several reforms and placed the company on an efficient business basis.

Through his efforts and the assistance of others he raised hundreds of dollars from surrounding townships. Alone, he worked in Harrisburg obtaining money for the company relief fund.

Today Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company has \$2,088.44 of working capital in its treasury. There is \$3,500 in the Relief Fund Treasury. All bills are paid, and equipment is in excellent shape.

Best of all, under Ohlman's leadership and with the cooperation of Borough Council, surveys of the community were made and fire hydrants have now been installed at strategic locations so that fire insurance rates have been greatly lowered for more than seventy-five per cent of the property owners in Dallas.

A series of fire schools were conducted where active firemen could obtain scientific instruction on the best methods of combating all types of fires, and regular fire drills were conducted with the equipment to familiarize fire fighters with every aspect of its use.

Today those who own property and have something to protect are proud of their fire company and have confidence in its ability to do more than squirt water at a fire and smash furniture with a pick-axe. Fighting fire is a scientific business and not a picnic.

The position the fire company holds in the community has been built up by hard work and intelligent planning—not by care-free rattle headed youngsters or sloppy thinking, or by those, who without fire fighting training or without digging down in their jeans to foot the bills, jump on the fire truck every time the siren blows in order to be off on a lark.

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BOX SCORE		
Back Mountain Highway Deaths and Serious accidents since V-J Day		
	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS	2	10
SHAVERTOWN	1	1
TRUCKSVILLE	1	2
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	1	1
TOTAL	10	15

## Attempt To Rob Kuehns Foiled

### Fernbrook Youth Is In Custody Of Police

A fifteen-year-old Fernbrook boy who attempted to rob Kuehn's Drug Store on Christmas Eve has been released in the custody of Chief of Police Russell Honeywell on the youth's promise to report weekly to police and to return to classes in Dallas Borough schools after the Christmas recess.

The hearing was before Burgess George Williams who warned that further deviation from the straight and narrow path will lead to juvenile court.

The attempted robbery took place at 1:20 A.M. Christmas morning as Karl Kuehn, proprietor of the drug store, waited in the prescription room of his establishment for fires to burn up after mechanics had repaired a stoker that had been out of operation for several hours.

Mr. Kuehn said the stoker men left the store about 12:30 and he remained in the building to check the drafts and let the store warm up before setting the thermostat.

As he reclined in a chair, he heard a key rattle in the back door lock and on investigation saw through the door window, someone trying to gain entry. Without waiting for the intruder to open the door, Mr. Kuehn slammed his fist through the window at the robber who ran away through an alley. Mr. Kuehn recognized him and called his name.

Sometime later while Mr. Kuehn was dressing his cut hand in his apartment above the Frantz store, the boy came to him and admitted that he had tried to enter the store to steal Christmas presents for his parents. He said he thought Mr. and Mrs. Kuehn had plenty of money and wouldn't miss the few presents he was about to take.

## Couple Observes 54th Anniversary

### Sherman Hildebrants Married Christmas Eve

Surrounded by members of their immediate family, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman W. Hildebrant quietly celebrated their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary Christmas eve in the homestead at East Dallas where Mr. Hildebrant was born eighty years ago.

The couple was married in Derr Memorial Church, Wilkes-Barre, in 1892. Mrs. Hildebrant, now in her seventies, is the former Jane Fisher of Wilkes-Barre. She is hale and hearty and, rising early in the morning, sets a lively pace for her daughter-in-law and granddaughters throughout the day.

She tends the chickens, milks the cows, and churns the butter for the household. Besides all this, one might even find her in the garden or fields when Pa and John are short of help.

Mr. Hildebrant is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hildebrant who came from New Jersey and built the homestead. He, like his wife, fills every day with plenty of good hard work, keeping up with the youngest in the fields from daylight until dark.

The Hildebrants have two children living, Mrs. Marian Harter of Trucksville, and John at home. Another daughter, Beatrice Roushey of Fernbrook, died during the influenza epidemic. There are four grandchildren: Marian, Beatrice, Frances and Jean Hildebrant of East Dallas and Sherman Harter, now with the U.S. Army.

## \$300 Obtained From Kunkle Home On Hoax

Shortly before Thanksgiving, \$300 was stolen from Walter Woznicki's home near Kunkle Corners, by three men who gained entrance on the pretext that they were State Game Wardens looking for illegal deer meat. Mr. Woznicki and two children were absent at the time the men flashed a search warrant on Mrs. Woznicki, who was alone with her baby.

On his return he discovered the \$300 kept in the house was missing. The Woznicki's have lived in Kunkle for the past fifteen years where he is a prosperous dairy farmer.

## ROGER BABSON SEES NO HOPE FOR AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIA

### 1947 IN A NUTSHELL

**BUSINESS:** To reach higher levels than recorded in 1946.  
**COMMODITIES:** Opposing trends.  
**LABOR:** Some basic problems to be solved.  
**REAL ESTATE:** Continued good demand for modern suburban homes.  
**POLITICS:** Increased foreign troubles.  
**STOCKS:** To work higher.  
**BONDS:** Firmness temporary.

By Roger W. Babson

1. One great event of 1947 will be a beginning of a movement of population from the big coastal cities to the small interior cities, unless definite steps are taken for world disarmament.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**  
 2. A year ago the U.S. Babson-chart registered 130. Today it is estimated at 160. The Canadian Babson-chart registered 190 a year ago. Today it is estimated at 204. Sometime during 1947 these Charts will register higher figures.

3. Reconversion of industry from war to peace has been completed although the great government surpluses have not yet been disposed of, leaving much more to be sold in 1947.

4. Inventories, quoted both at their price values and their volumes, will increase during 1947. Both raw material piles and manufactured goods will be in greater supply in 1947.

**COMMODITY PRICES**  
 5. Some rationing and priorities may continue into 1947; but both will rapidly be eliminated. Government regulations will gradually be lessened. World War II will officially be ended.

6. The retail prices of most manufactured products will be higher sometime during 1947 than at present. The prices of some of the food products may decline.  
 7. The unit sale of some department stores will begin to decline sometime during 1947; but the sales of food and variety chains may continue at peak figures.

8. The great question mark of 1947 will be how labor is to behave. Higher wage rates and less production per man inevitably mean higher prices.

**FARM OUTLOOK**  
 9. Pending a weather upset, more bushels of corn and wheat and of some other products will be raised in 1947 than ever before in our history. Although some prices may slide off, the total farm income for 1947 should hold up fairly well. But farmers should diversify more in 1947.

10. There should be an increase in certain fruits, fish products and vegetables with a decline in prices. The United States will have more to eat in 1947 than in 1946, probably 10% over the pre-war level.

11. Dairy and poultry products will continue to increase in volume with no increase in price; but fats, sugar and some canned goods will continue short.

12. Farmers will start in 1947 to work to extend legislation on their parity program due to fear of a collapse in farm prices.

**TAXES**  
 13. Taxes will not be increased during 1947; and there should be further reductions. More nuisance taxes may be eliminated altogether.

14. The Federal Debt will be decreased during 1947 and the Federal Budget may be balanced by June 30, 1948.

15. The cost of living will continue to rise during 1947 due largely to the lack of interest in their work by so many wage-workers.

16. Providing jobs for returning soldiers at satisfactory wages will be a big political task of 1947. There should be jobs for all, but not at the wages desired.

**RETAIL SALES**  
 17. The total volume of all retail sales will be about the same as in 1946. Poor quality goods will suffer, but many items now unavailable will be purchased.

18. The total dollar value of all retail sales should exceed 1946 with an increased demand for woolen and cotton textiles.

19. There will be a continued demand for men's clothing and especially for shirts and underwear.

20. Wise shoppers will buy only what they need and not grab to stock up on goods not absolutely required.

## Babson Has Had Active Career

### Business Wizard Is In Seventy-First Year

American business has no more inspiring personality than Roger W. Babson, internationally-known business commentator and investment adviser. An outstanding feature of his philosophy has been his lifelong insistence on the importance of religion in business.

Born in 1875, reared in an old-fashioned atmosphere of hard work and hustle on a farm in Gloucester, Mr. Babson went to Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating in 1898, he turned instinctively to financial and business activities.

His exertions, however, undermined his health; he contracted tuberculosis and was sent West "as good as dead!" While convalescing he worked out some of the possibilities and problems of business statistics.

That was more than forty years ago. Today his weekly statistical and financial reports are read by thousands of businessmen and his research work is carried on by a large staff of workers.

## Car Is Stolen From Beaumont

### Service Station And Home Are Entered

State Police were still without clues Monday to a series of robberies committed at Beaumont late Friday night or early Saturday morning.

Thieves stole a 1941 green Dodge Sedan belonging to Mary Jackson, Kingston High School teacher, from a garage within 100 feet of her home on the Tunkhannock highway. The newly opened service station belonging to Stephen Kozak was entered and silk hosiery, candy and cigarettes piled on counters, but it is believed the intruders were frightened before they could get away with their loot.

The home of Alpha Dymond, located just beyond the Kozak station toward Kunkle on the Tunkhannock highway, was entered and a diamond ring and other jewelry stolen.

Miss Jackson did not discover the loss of her car until late Saturday morning. State Police summoned from Tunkhannock sub station were without clues until a Beaumont resident came forward with the information that he saw someone drive away from the Jackson garage in the direction of Tunkhannock at about 5:30 Saturday morning.

## Ruth Lord Rittenhouse Buried At Sweet Valley

Mrs. Ruth Lord Rittenhouse, 21, Sweet Valley, died December 24, at Nanticoke State Hospital, following six months illness.

A graduate of Lehman High School, class of 1943, her vitality and gaiety made her well liked by teachers and students. She continued her popularity as a member of Sweet Valley community where she was active in young peoples' functions. She was a member of Maple Grove Methodist Church and Young Ladies' Sunday School Class and taught a Boys' Class for several years.

She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Lord; husband, Gerald; infant son, Donald; brothers, Clyde, Freas and Stephen; sister, Betty; grandparents, Mrs. Liza Keller and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Lord, all of Sweet Valley.

Largely attended services were held from the home Saturday afternoon with further services from the church at 2, in charge of Rev. George Snyder. Flower carriers were Beatrice Morris, Ida Morris, Cora Keller, Mildred Keller, Betty Hoover, Mary Lamoreaux, Dorothy Lord, Martha Hoover, Flora Rittenhouse, Frances Keller, Mildred Rittenhouse, Arline Segar, Isabelle Hutchins, Edith Bonning, Mildred Machena and Betty Sutton.

Pallbearers were Robert Morris, Harry Morris, Basil Lord, Harry Hoover Jr., Elmer Keller and Charles Keller.

## Announcement

Nesbitt Hospital Auxiliary will meet on Friday, January 3, at a place to be announced later. There will be a speaker.

## Masked Bandit Attacks Woman At Hays Corners

### Mrs. Ralph Balut Puts Up Furious Battle At Dusk Friday Evening

Held up by a blue bandana masked bandit as she left her home at Hay's Corners, Friday night at 6:30 to take her automobile from the garage in order to visit her husband who is a patient in Mercy Hospital, Mrs. Ralph Balut, the former Anna Legosh, put up a terrific struggle and warded off her attacker until she could run screaming and crying across the Country Club Road to the Gordon home for assistance. The attacker escaped.

Recounting her experience to State Police, Mrs. Balut said she heard footsteps behind her as she left the house, entered the garage and turned on the headlights of her car. Thinking it might be a neighbor, she turned and saw the bandit in the beams of her flashlight.

"This is a stick-up—a hold up," the bandit said. She, frightened, held out her purse. "Take it, take it." As she extended her hand holding the purse, the bandit shoved it away and tried to force her into the automobile. She rebelled and fought her way past him out of the narrow garage until he grappled with her in front of the building. She screamed and beat him with the flashlight that went out during the melee, while the attacker pummeled her head and face with some light object. Eluding his grasp she ran in the direction of the highway where he again caught her and threw her to the ground in the snow. There they fought until she was able to gain her feet and run screaming to the Gordon home.

Highly nervous and suffering from shock, the plucky young woman who has lived at Hay's Corners for 22 years, explained her plight then got in her car and drove to Mercy Hospital where she was treated by the house physician for bruises and lacerations.

State Police who were summoned by neighbors immediately after the attack, trailed the attacker through the snow to the rear of the garage and then down the old traction company right-of-way to the old Harvey's Lake highway where his footprints were lost.

On her return from the hospital, Mrs. Balut told the police the man was five feet eight or nine inches tall, weighed between 150 and 160 pounds and wore a dark business suit. He was between twenty-five and thirty-five years of age. Mrs. Balut thought he might even be younger. He spoke distinctly. Police said that fingerprints indicated that he wore new overshoes or galoshes.

Mrs. Balut found her purse lying in the yard unopened and with nothing molested. A beaver coat which she carried on her arm and had placed in the car was found lying along the highway where the robber had abandoned it.

Impressed with her plucky battle, State Police commented, "Whoever he was, he didn't expect to meet a wild cat when he came here." They are still investigating.

On the same night or early the following morning a home and a business place were entered and a Dodge sedan stolen from a garage at Beaumont.

## Rev. Frankfort Leaves St. Paul's

### Tells Congregation Of Decision On Sunday

Rev. Herbert E. Frankfort, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown, announced his resignation at the morning service last Sunday.

Rev. Frankfort, pastor of St. Paul's for the past ten years, succeeded Dr. Elson Ruff, now editor of the "Lutheran" at the Lutheran Publishing House, Philadelphia, and pastor of St. Paul's from its founding in 1925.

Rev. Frankfort announced that his farewell sermon will be given Sunday, January 19. He was unavailable for comment as the Post went to press but his resignation is believed to be a prelude to an advancement within the church. No successor has been considered.

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