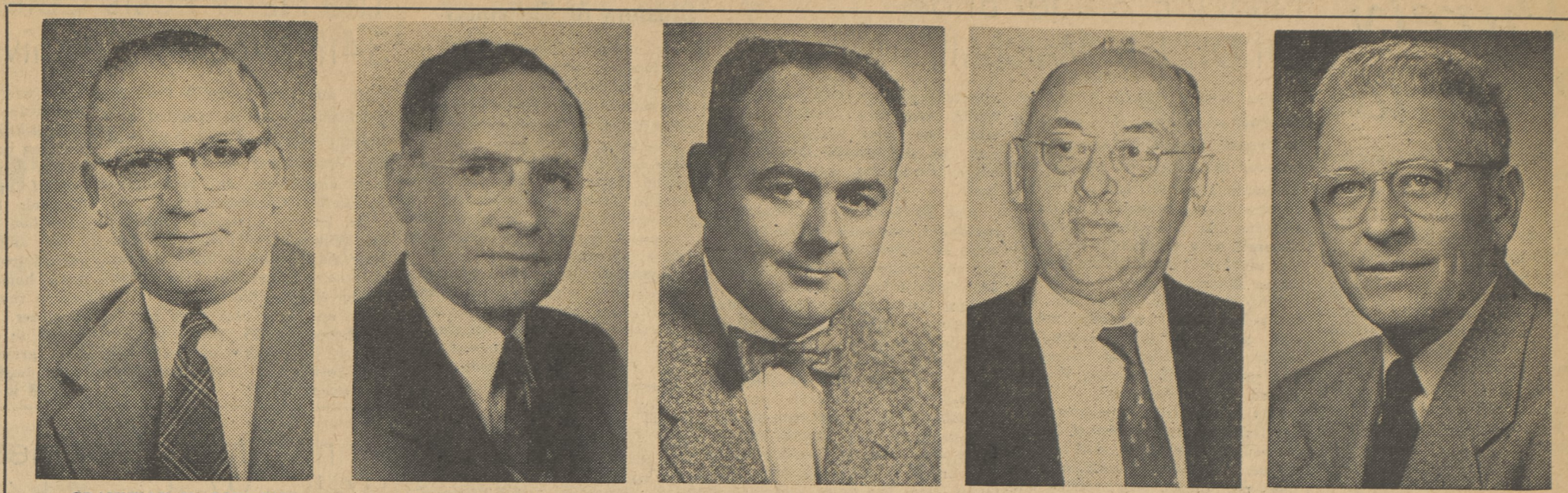


And Their Organizations Made The Headlines During 1955



ided as well. On the right of the 3-part picture, the oldest char- members, Mrs. Christine Malkemes and Mr. John Eck assist Rev. eric H. Eismann with the ground-breaking.



GRANVILLE H. SOWDEN

ALFRED D. BRONSON

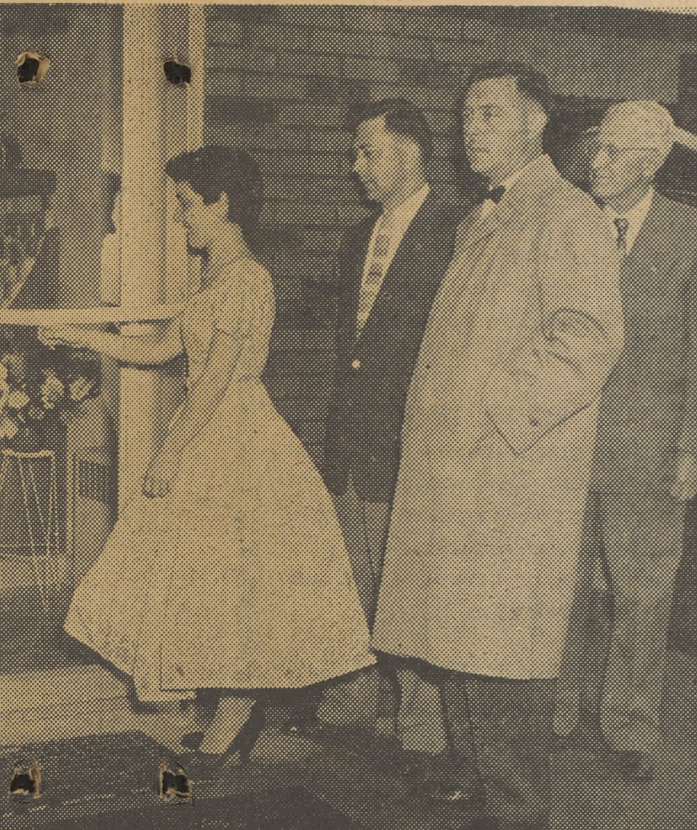
WILLARD E. JOHN, JR.

ALFRED H. RUNSTALL

JAMES D. HUTCHINSON

One of the big events of the '55 season was the establishment of another bank to serve the Back Mt. area. The Wyoming National Bank opened its new branch in Shavertown on March 16 with a large crowd on hand for the opening ceremonies. The bank's future

looks bright because of the five Back Mt. men shown here who were named to the Advisory Committee. Each is well-known in the area and respected in his own particular business.



community was Gerald and his family have their living quarters adjoining the store. Two young, local contractors, Howard and Elwood Whitesell, shown at the ceremonies with Mr. and Mrs. Frantz, were responsible for erecting the new store.



Shown above, in somewhat of a "Whistler's Mother" pose is Mrs. Bertha Jenkins, a ninety-plus great-grandmother who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Lewis Culp in Huntsville. One of her great-grandchildren, Jacqueline Louise Snyder greets Mrs. Jenkins with a bouquet.



Pictured here are the Lehman-Jackson, Back Mountain Little League Champions of 1955. Kneeling, left to right: Donald Malak, Benny Rusiloski, Stanley Rusiloski, Donald Watson, Harry Cutting and Richard McKeel. Standing, left to right: Robert

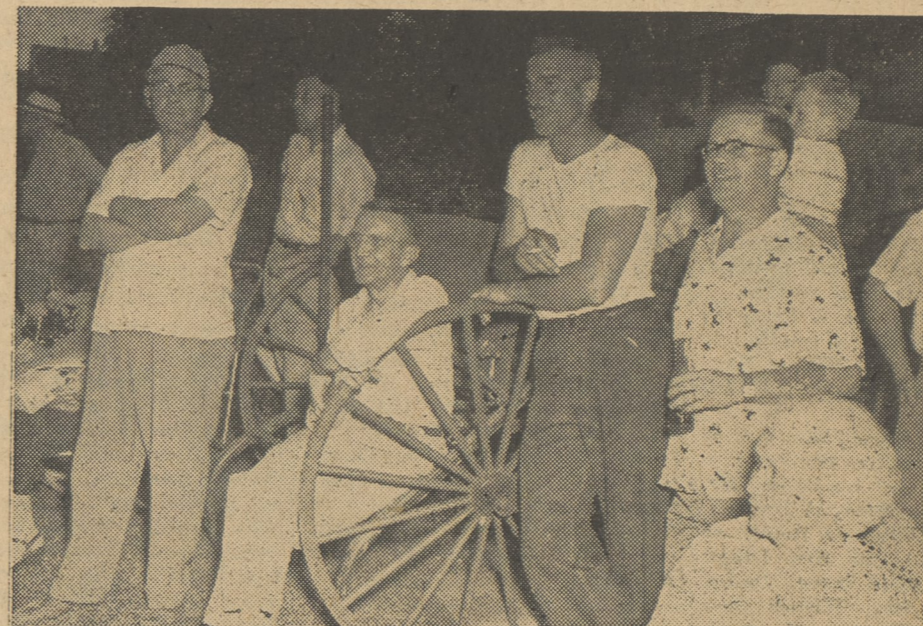
Disque, manager; Robert Rogers, Larry Thomas, Albert Niezgoda, Robert Ross, Thomas Kupstas, Larry Stash, Richard Disque and Joe Niezgoda, coach. Richard Rogers was absent when the picture was taken.



started in the summer of '54. In the picture above, Past Commander Fred Cockayne and Home Association Past President Frank Ferry handle the pick and shovel for the ground-breaking.



Sadly neglected in this area by its own citizens is the Civil Defense Program. Only a few stalwart volunteers are willing to give the time and effort to man their posts as air observers to help keep us all safe. Among these local volunteers is Clem Rincken, here being presented with silver wings in recognition of 250 hours of plane-spotting. Also shown are Mrs. Malcolm Nelson, Sgt. Fred Coughlin, Alice Smith and Flora Briggs.

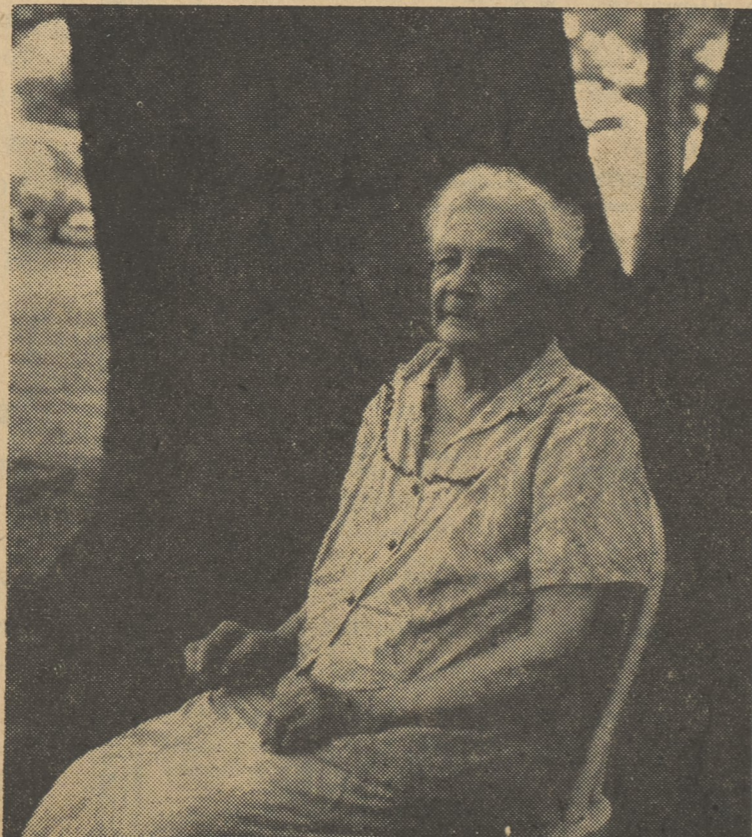


The obvious enjoyment that comes with attending the Back Mt. Memorial Library Auction is reflected here on the faces of some who never miss the big event. In '55, all previous records for attendance

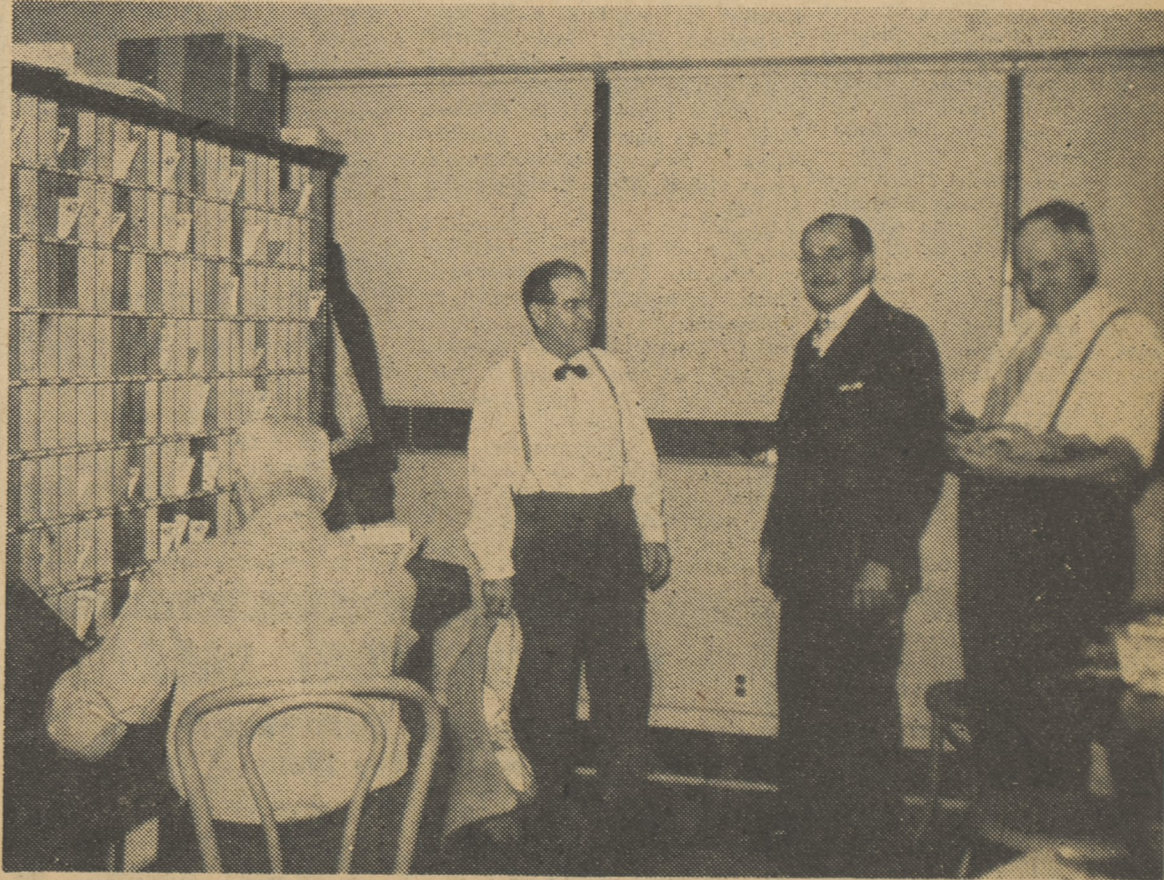
were broken and the hundreds who devoted many hours to the success of this ninth auction came away happy with a job well done.



Gordon by his dotting grandfather, F. Gordon Mathers, II, John can see his great-grandfather, Frank G. Mathers, Sr. and his great, great-grandmother, Mrs. Addie Dodson Mathers.



Over the century mark and still going strong is Mrs. Elizabeth Deihl Knell, Overbrook Avenue, Fernbrook. Undoubtedly, the oldest woman in our community, Mrs. Knell recollects with enjoyment her lifelong friendship with the famous William "Buffalo Bill" Cody who was her next-door neighbor in Jeffersonville, New York.



Rain and mud, wind or snow, the mails always got through on Fred Youngblood's route. For thirty-seven years, Fred served rural patrons in this area and knows the region's byways better than anyone

else. This month, Fred turned in his mailbags to postmaster Joseph Polackey for the last time and is now leading the life of a retired country gentleman at "The Maples", his lovely farm on Demunds Road.