

Members Cite Some Specific Traffic Hazards At Safety Council Meeting

Andrew Commends Local Motorists For Safety Record During Winter Months

Problems relating to general safety on Back Mountain streets and highways were discussed at a meeting of committee chairman of Back Mountain Citizens' Committee on Safety Monday night in the Council Room at Dallas Borough Building.

Thomas Andrew presided and called attention to the good safety record made on local streets and highways since October but deplored the lack of interest on the part of citizens who want better driving conditions but who refuse to take any part in bringing them about.

Chief of Police James Gansel, reporting for the Police Committee, said that plans are being perfected for the continuance of road blocks and the installation of speed traps just as soon as weather breaks.

William Wright of the Service Club Committee said that arrangements have been made to provide educational programs for several of the clubs.

Mr. Andrew commended George McCutcheon and his committee for the educational program being carried out in the schools by the use of films and other safety programs to augment driver training.

Edward Dorrance of the Parent-Teacher Committee reported the use of safety literature and programs planned to acquaint parents' groups with highway safety.

The meeting was then opened for discussion of specific danger spots in the Back Mountain area and how they can be remedied.

Safety Problems

Jack Stanley and Lester Barstow of Natoma Mills spoke of the traffic problem on Memorial Highway between 7:30 and 8 a.m. when employees are going to work at Natoma Mills and have to make a left hand turn against traffic moving at excessive speed breaking over the hill from the direction of Harveys Lake.

It was recommended that cooperation of Dallas Township and Dallas Borough police, with an officer stationed at the mill entrance during peak morning hours, might result in a number of arrests and subsequent correction of the problem. It was not deemed necessary to have a traffic light installed as there appears to be no traffic problem when employees leave the mill during late afternoon.

William Wright brought up the matter of the Main Street traffic light which controls the flow of traffic on Lake Street. This light is green for only thirty seconds and flashes immediately from red to green without a yellow warning. Fred Welsh, of the Borough Police Committee, and Chief Russell Honeywell said that they were aware of the condition and would have the light retimed by Borough electrician Paul Shaver.

All present denounced the State Highway Department for its inefficient handling of snow removal especially in the narrows below Harters Dairy in Trucksville and for its apparent lack of foresight in providing sufficient ashes at the right time and in the right places.

Two of the magistrates attending confirmed a report of the police committee that the Pennsylvania State Police have made practically no arrests for traffic law violations over a period of months on Back Mountain highways. The committee will call this to the attention of the new commandant.

Howard Risley suggested that a tragic accident is "long overdue" at the dangerous intersection of lower Main Street, Dallas, and Memorial Highway at Forty Fort Dairy. Motorists entering the intersection from the direction of Dallas are almost completely without any view of traffic approaching from the direction of the California Fruit Market.

The intersection is now even more dangerous because of the greatly increased traffic to and from the Linear plant. Traffic lights might remedy the situation but the Department of Highways has resisted all efforts of Dallas Township Supervisors, who would pay for the lights, to have them installed.

Mr. Andrew said all problems brought up would be investigated with a view toward obtaining action for their elimination.

He appointed a committee headed by Jack Stanley and composed of George McCutcheon and Frederick Anderson to prepare the program for the next public meeting which will be held Monday, February 11 at 8 in Dallas Borough School Building.

Attending were: Tommy Andrew, Edward Dorrance, Russell Honeywell, Fred Welsh, H. A. Smith, Ornan Lamb, Jack H. Stanley, William R. Wright, James Gansel, Earl Gregory, Jr., Leonard D. Harvey, Frederick W. Anderson, Leslie Barstow, Jay H. Bloomer and Howard W. Risley.

Back Mountain Sends Sixty-Six To Wilkes

Furnishes 5 Percent Of Total Registry In Student Body

Over five percent of the total regular day school enrollment at Wilkes College during the Spring semester, begun this week, is made up of Back Mountain area residents.

Approximately 53 students are attending regular day school classes, including seven students who entered the Wilkes-Barre liberal arts institution for the first time this semester.

Also attending the local college are thirteen area residents enrolled in the Evening Division, bringing the Back Mountain registry at Wilkes to sixty-six.

Nearly every major community in the area is represented by students at the college. The Back Mountain has consistently sent one of the largest representations from North-eastern Pennsylvania communities to Wilkes.

Included among regular day students returning to Wilkes for their second semester are following from Dallas: Nelson Ashburner, R. D. 1; Leslie Barstow, Center Hill Road; Francine Bishop, Pioneer Avenue; Arthur J. Belles, R. D. 3, and Mary Jean Broody, Main Street.

Other area students are: Richard Davis, Grove Street, Trucksville; William J. Daw III, Harveys Lake; Sylvia Cusick, Church Street, Dallas; Samuel Dilcer, Main Road, Trucksville; Lee Eckert, Spring Street, Shavertown; Marcia Elston, Lehman; Robert Engle, Meadowcrest, Trucksville; Jeanne Estus, Franklin Street, Dallas; Jerome Gardner, Shrine Acres, Dallas; Daisette Gebhardt, R. D. 3, Dallas; Carolyn Goeringer, Demands Road, East Dallas; Robert Gregory, Lehigh Street, Shavertown, and Patricia Hemenway, Post Road, Trucksville.

More local folk also in the second semester are: Robert Carl Hontz, Franklin Street, Shavertown; Arthur Hontz, R. D. 1, Shickshinny; Patricia Ide, Lehman; Nancy Jones, Center Street, Shavertown; Ted Jones, Dallas; Jane Ann Lohmann, Lohmann Street, Trucksville; Grace Major, R. D. 1, Trucksville; Fred Malkemes, Ferguson Avenue, Shavertown; Richard Manganello, Shavertown; Lena Misson, R. D. 3, Dallas; Lyman Moore, R. D. 2, Dallas; Mary Parsons, R. D. 1, Dallas; William Rincken, R. D. 4, Dallas; Fred Roberts, Shavertown; Rosemary Rosavage, Knob Hill Road, Trucksville; Gail Schaffhauser, Lehigh Street, Shavertown, and Nancy Schooley, Lake Street, Dallas.

Joseph Schoonover, Centermoreland; John Steele, R. D. 1, Sweet Valley; John Stahl, Pioneer Avenue, Shavertown; James Van Campen, Main Street, Shavertown; David Vann, Westmoreland; William Weidner, Poplar Street, Dallas; Fred Whipple II, Shaver Avenue, Shavertown; Robert Williamson, Cedar and Goeringer Avenue, Shavertown; Donald Wilkinson, Shrine Acres, Dallas; Constance Yahara, R. D. 1, Sweet Valley.

A number of area students are beginning their first semester at Wilkes this term, entering college in the middle of the regular school year.

Among these are: Faith Elaine Edwards, Deerfield Farm, R. D. 2, Dallas; Thelma Harrison, Terrace Drive, Dallas; Thompson Boote, Knob Hill, Trucksville; Walter French, Church Street, Dallas; Robert Eidam, Shavertown; William Hill, Chase Road, Trucksville, and Richard Wileman, Church Street, Dallas.

Many of the Dallas and Back Mountain residents are registered in the evening division: Delmar Wade Rosemergy, Wyoming Avenue, Trucksville; Peter Duda, Davenport Street, Dallas; Lauren Dymond, R. D. 3, Dallas; Anne Hall, Main Highway, Shavertown; Arline Hill, Pioneer Avenue, Shavertown; Glenn Howell, R. D. 3, Dallas; Loraine Lukasavage, Center Street, Shavertown; Andrew F. Maillez, Center Hill Road, Dallas, and Arthur Nuss, Carverton Road, Trucksville.

Thomas E. Reese, Franklin Street, Dallas; Ralph Smith, R. D. 2, Dallas; Louis J. Tremayne, Chase Road, Trucksville, and Verna Lee Wagner, R. D. 1, Harveys Lake.

Yaple Is Improving

John Yaple is showing continued improvement at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital where he has room 113 on the first floor and can have visitors.

Serving Third Term



R. E. "POP" NEAL

R. E. Neal, Grandview Avenue, Dallas, was reelected for a third term as chairman of Back Mountain Branch Town and Country YMCA at its meeting Monday night.

Mr. Neal, long active in "Y" work, is manager of Neisner Brothers in Wilkes-Barre. He is president of the Shrine Club of Wilkes-Barre, a director of the Dallas-Franklin-Monroe School Board, president of the board of trustees of Dallas Methodist Church, and heads the Wyoming Valley Merchants Association.

Elected or reelected at the same meeting were Rev. Robert D. Yost, vice chairman; Charles A. Eberle, Jr., recording secretary; James C. Edwards, second recording secretary; Elmer Evenson, treasurer; and Leroy Troxell, financial secretary.

Working with these officers are the following members of the board of management: Dr. L. E. Jordan, Malcolm Nelson, Col. H. H. Butler, Myron Baker, Clyde Birth, Donald S. Cutting, W. Arch Austin, Walter Mohr, and Kenneth Rice.

Township School Immunizes 468

Beaumont Students Get Salk Shots Today

Salk anti-polio shots will be given to approximately 100 children at Beaumont this morning at 9 by Dr. Irvin Jacobs, assisted by Mrs. Eudora Baird, RN, Dallas-Franklin-Monroe Township school nurse.

At the main school building in Dallas Township Wednesday morning, Dr. Jacobs and Dr. A. A. Mascali, school physician, gave 468 shots.

First shots were given to 89 pupils; second shots to 307; final shots to 72. Completely protected in both schools are 163 students.

Assisting the physicians and school nurse were four mothers: Mrs. Ray Kuhnert, Mrs. Allan Covert, Mrs. Louis Bedford, and Mrs. Howard P. Wiley, Jr.

Senior girls who assisted were: Dorothy Miers, Marie Stocker, Virginia Sweezy, Betty Lou Miller, and Arlene Mulnix.

One or two children showed signs of upset stomachs, several suffered emotional disturbance, and one little girl fainted during administration, an extremely small percentage out of nearly 500 patients. Individual units for each child, with no re-use of needles, made the immunization rapid.

Ambulance Fund Starts Saturday

Workers Ready To Distribute Cards

Dallas Community Ambulance Drive workers are reminded to pick up their quota of coin cards Saturday or Sunday at Dallas Borough Building between 1 and 4 p.m., for use during the weekend distribution. Crew members stand ready to serve the community at any hour of the day or night, regardless of weather, on order of the attending physician, or to rush victims of highway accidents to the hospital.

Coin cards have spaces for a quarter a week, a small price to pay for ambulance insurance in case of accident or illness. Cards will be collected late in April, according to plans laid by Leslie Barstow, drive chairman.

Dump Truck Topples Over At Service Station Site

A big dump truck owned by William Connelly, Luzerne excavating contractor, toppled over on its side Tuesday while unloading fill at the site of the new Atlantic Service Station that will be erected this spring at the intersection of Routes 309 and 115 opposite Clyde Birth's Esso Station.

Three other trucks and a bulldozer were required to right it.

Average Child Spends 24 Hours A Week At T-V

Panel Finds Animals, Science, And Cowboys Leading The Field

Westmoreland Parents Council presented a panel on Television Monday night at Dallas Borough school, designed to bring to the surface conflicting ideas on T-V for children.

Mrs. Fred Eck introduced moderator Thomas Shelbourne of Station WILK, and panel experts Charlotte Lord, Buckskin Jim, and Allen Larsen.

Mr. Larsen, executive director of the Community Chest, said that in his own family, all members studied the T-V Guide for the week and the family council decided what shows should be viewed, and what shows were not suitable. Parent supervision, Mr. Larsen said, is very important, as a survey of T-V habits throughout the nation shows the average child spending 20 to 24 hours per week sitting in front of the screen.

T-V, he said, brings the family together in a physical sense, but not in a social way, as quiet must be maintained.

Buckskin Jim, from WILK, put in a plea for the cowboy films. Maybe they are wild and woolly, he said, and apt to inspire the young to put on chaps, wave a toy pistol, and swagger around the house, but right always triumphs, the heroine is 100 per cent pure, the hero noble, and the villain is foiled. It's the modern version of the dime novel, and parents who reach for the newest who-dunit have no business to complain.

Charlotte Lord, in charge of a program for using T-V to advantage in Wilkes-Barre Schools, spoke from the angle of program. Science, she explained, was leading the field in entertainment and education at this point. City schools, she went on, have nothing up to the eighth grade in the way of science, and smaller children are vitally interested in the world about them. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 9:30, a program along these lines is beamed to the classrooms of first, second and third grades in elementary schools having this service. The program is presented by Charles Hensley over WREB. On Friday at the same time there is a musical program.

Game protectors note, Miss Lord said, a definite increase in survival of baby wildlife since programs of explanation have been put on the air. Baby animals such as raccoons are abandoned by their mothers and left to die if a human being handles them. Children who find nests of wild young are now leaving them in peace instead of picking up the babies.

Glazed roads held down attendance, but the small crowd which braved the ice after the sleet storm started, were enthusiastic about the program.

Legion Plans Charter Night

Harveys Lake Post Will Meet At Noxen

Harveys Lake American Legion will hold a Charter Night program tomorrow night at 8 at the V.F.W. Hall in Noxen.

Members of the committee are Alger Shafer, chairman; Arthur Wagner, Calvin Strohl, Al Womer, Joseph Desidero and Leo Yankoski.

All Legion members are urged to attend the signing of the permanent charter.

The Auxiliary of the Post headed by the president, Frances Yankoski, will serve a covered dish supper.

Members of the Post have had an active month. Calvin Strohl and Al Womer represented the Harveys Lake Post at the Legion Conference held Saturday at Hotel Sterling in Wilkes-Barre.

Among those attending the testimonial dinner honoring Father Nolan at the Wilkes-Barre Legion Post 132 Home were: Commander Steven Glover; Senior Vice Commander Anthony Jalver; Paul Winter, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Strohl and Mr. and Mrs. Al Womer.

Two sisters and two brothers survive: Mrs. Lillian Trudgen, Fernbrook; Mrs. Charlotte Hilbert, Forty Fort; Lloyd and George Knell, both of Kingston. There are a number of nieces and nephews.

Ohlman Back Home

Harry Ohlman, who has been a patient at Wyoming Valley Hospital, returned to his home on Wednesday where he will recuperate for the next four weeks.

Heads Arab Patrol



R. LEROY DOURAND

R. Leroy Dourand, Shavertown, has been elected president of the Arab Patrol, the oldest unit in the uniformed units of Irem Temple Shrine.

Other officers elected were: Vice president, Thomas W. Walker; secretary, Walter E. Schimmelbusch; treasurer, John R. Goulstone; captain, Robert B. Mitchell; first lieutenant, Charles H. Jacobs; second lieutenant, Marvin M. Miller; chaplain, Luther C. Lang; representatives to uniform units, R. Leroy Dourand, Harry B. Rinehart, Bert B. Shiffer, and Ralph J. Miller; alternates, Frank R. Neher, Jr., and John C. Reese; stewards, Obed T. Hontz, Robert H. Voelker and George P. Vincent.

Members of the Arab Patrol from the Back Mountain area are R. Leroy Dourand, Theodore F. Hinkle, Obed T. Hontz and Robert Voelker of Shavertown; Jerry R. Gardner, Dallas Township; Robert L. Holland, Idetown.

Peterson Again Heads Firemen

Goal Of Sinking Fund Is Equipment

At annual meeting of the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company held on Monday, the following officers were elected: President, H. W. Peterson; Vice-President, Leslie Barstow; Secretary, William Baker, Jr.; Treasurer, Arthur Dungey; trustee, Leonard Harvey.

Chief, Nonti Berti; Assistant Chief, James Gansel.

Auditing committee reported that membership dues for the year 1956 amounted to \$1,781.30, of which slightly in excess of \$1,600.00 came from the coin card campaign. Balance in treasury on January 1, 1957, amounted to \$1,645.17.

In accordance with promise given the public prior to the coin card campaign, it was voted to purchase out of the company's balance, government bonds with maturity value of \$1,000, these to be added to sinking fund, which, with this addition, now totals \$4,153.50. As previously indicated, this fund is kept for the eventual purchase of new equipment. It is the company's intention to add to this fund yearly.

Woman Of 102 Loses First Son

Phillip Knell Dies After Long Illness

A mother who will be 102 years old July 9, survives her son, Phillip Knell, who died at the age of 69 Saturday afternoon in the Veterans' Hospital, where he had been a patient for four months.

Mr. Knell was buried Tuesday afternoon in Maple Hill Cemetery, his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Diehl Knell, Overbrook Avenue, attending the services from the Kniffen Funeral Home, being driven to the grave-side to keep her from walking on the frozen ground. Rev. Duane H. Collins of Douglas Presbyterian Church officiated.

Mr. Knell, a native of Wilkes-Barre, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Knell and the late George Knell, served in the Army during the First World War. Eleven years ago he moved to Overbrook Road. Unmarried, he was very close to his mother. He was the first of the immediate family to die. He had been in ill health for over a year.

Two sisters and two brothers survive: Mrs. Lillian Trudgen, Fernbrook; Mrs. Charlotte Hilbert, Forty Fort; Lloyd and George Knell, both of Kingston. There are a number of nieces and nephews.

Three Parishes Form New Confraternity

An organizational meeting of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine of Gate of Heaven, Our Lady of Victory and Queen of Peace parish was held Monday night.

There was a general discussion of the goal of the society and its various functions.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 9 at 8:15. Plan to attend and join the Confraternity.

Mothers' March Falls Short Of Fund Last Year

Returns Not Complete Due To Bad Weather, Checks Still Coming

Mrs. Cora Finn, chairman of the Mothers' March on Polio for the Back Mountain, reports that figures are not yet complete from Tuesday night's march, but that she thinks the total will reach \$1,800. Checks are still coming in to supplement the cash donations of \$1,633 received and banked Tuesday night. Last year the drive netted \$2,901.

Many streets were not completely covered because of icy roads. Mothers in some instances met with flat refusals, because the family had already contributed to the United Fund and were resolved to make no further contributions. As Mrs. Finn pointed out, the work of these specialized organizations could not possibly be carried out by a small percentage from the United Fund, and many victims of polio who were crippled before the Salk vaccine cut down the incidence of the disease, would be neglected. There is still need for funds raised from the annual March of Dimes and Mothers' March.

Mrs. Finn was assisted in her 8 to midnight vigil on Tuesday at the Library Annex by Mrs. Joseph Schneider, Mrs. Reese Finn, Mrs. Robert Hale, Mrs. Robert VanHorn, and Mrs. Carl Goeringer. Cooperating also were Chief of Police Russell Honeywell and Victor Cross, who took the donations to the Dallas Bank depository shortly before midnight, and stood guard over the collection while it was being counted during the evening.

Thieves Leave Not A Trace

Fund Stolen From St. Francis Cabrini

No trace of young thieves who stole \$300 from the vestibule of St. Francis of Cabrini Church January 23, has been found, though State Police are still investigating. The theft had apparently been planned in advance, as the youth who stole the large water bottle containing the coins contributed by worshippers, dashed into the vestibule and rushed out again to enter a car driven by another youth, waiting with the motor running.

Seen only from the back, the boy who snatched the bottle is described by a worker at the rectory as perhaps eighteen years old, wearing a light colored sports coat. The car headed for West Wyoming.

The fund, mainly in coins, was being accumulated to help pay off the debt on the Carverton church, and of the Blessed Sacrament at Center Moreland. Father Stanislaus Kolufski serves both churches.

Three Former Students Speak At Lake-Noxen

Three former students, now attending college, spoke to members of the Lake-Noxen senior class Monday afternoon, at an assembly arranged by Jessica Thomas, high school instructor in English.

Janet Bean, 1954, and Richard Race, 1956, both students at Pennsylvania State University, talked respectively about retail business and electronics.

Janet Turner, 1954, studying elementary education at Bloomsburg, talked of opportunities in this field. Janet, outstanding trumpet player, is in the college band and orchestra.

Richard Race is son of Mr. and Mrs. Zane Race; Janet Bean is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Bean; and Janet Turner is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Turner.

Police Find No Trace Of Dallas Diamonds

It has been nearly two months since Henry Mastalski, Dallas jeweler, lost \$1,500 in diamond rings, a loss only partially covered by insurance. State police are working on the problem, in conjunction with Chief of Police Russell Honeywell, but there has been no lead.

Henry says that in a recent issue of a jeweller's magazine, a picture is shown which points out exactly similar conditions in Ohio, where a thief threw a chunk of concrete through a plate glass window and made away with \$1,200 worth of diamond rings.

In a similar theft, three Lackawanna County teen-age youths got \$450 in rings from the Wasley jewelry store in Montrose April 16, 1956.

Salk vaccine will be given to pre-school children on third Thursdays of each month at the Shavertown YMCA building, from 3 to 4 p.m.

Richard Collett Killed In Plane Crash At Devens

Single-Motor Craft Ploughs Into Dense Woods, One Escapes

Lt. Richard B. Collett, 24, son of Orphans Court Reporter and Mrs. Bartholomew Collett, Harris Hill Road, was instantly killed Wednesday afternoon when the plane in which he was flying with another officer and an enlisted man, crashed in a wooded area two miles from Fort Devens, Mass.

Funeral arrangements have not yet been completed, as investigation into causes of the failure of the single engine Beaver L20 plane is still under way. The family expects the body to be released sometime during the coming weekend to be brought to the Kniffen Funeral Home in Wilkes-Barre.

Mrs. Prentice Lacy, sister of Mrs. Collett, the former Nancy Luetzel of Forty Fort, flew with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Luetzel, to Boston on the 9:45 plane Wednesday night. The family was met at the airport by an Army car for the trip to Groton, forty miles north, where Lt. and Mrs. Collett made their home.

According to eye witnesses in a hovering Army helicopter, only one man escaped from the crashed plane, an enlisted man who was picked up by the helicopter with a broken collarbone and burns.

The two officers, Lt. Collett and Captain Clifford D. Tresidder, a married man with four children, were attached to the Fourth Regimental Combat Team.

Lt. and Mrs. Collett were expecting to build a home near their family in Kingston Township. Mr. and Mrs. Collett and their daughter, Mrs. Harry Goeringer, Jr. live within a short distance of each other. It is a singularly devoted family.

Richard was the only boy in two generations, a young man who was always completely delighted with life, handsome and well liked everywhere he went.

He had already finished his education at Rutgers in 1954 and was in the service of the Air Wing, US Infantry, before his mother and father moved to Trucksville a year ago. He trained at Fort Rucker, Fort Benning, and in Texas before being transferred to Devens. High school education was obtained in Fairview Township.

He and his wife have been married for two years. There are no children.

Vegetable Growers To Learn About Income Tax

Vegetable growers of Wyoming Valley and vicinity will be afforded an opportunity to hear a discussion on "Income Tax and Social Security" tonight at 8 at the Kingston House.

E. V. Chadwick, county farm agent, has announced that B. Wayne Kelly, farm management specialist of Pennsylvania State University, will speak. Mr. Kelly will also lead a discussion on individual problems regarding income tax and social security.

A special committee of growers will be prepared to entertain a motion that the vegetable growers organize.

This type of organization would be educational in emphasizing the production and packaging of quality produce, the uniformity and appearance in packages and the promotion of produce raised by Valley growers toward more local consumption. Promotion of better understanding between the grower and consumer as well as consumer education of locally grown produce will be another aim.

Appeals Order of Board

May Brennan, Main Highway, Harveys Lake, appealed to the court this week from a Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board order revoking her restaurant liquor license.

The board found sales were made on Sundays, dancing was permitted without an amusement permit and during hours when prohibited, the establishment was conducted in a noisy manner and a female was permitted to serve as bartender. The board also found appellant was cited for violations and had suspensions imposed four previous times since 1950, the last being for 101 days on January 25, 1956. The revocation order is effective February 5.

Lien Against Flannagan

A Federal tax lien for the amount of \$2,187.85 for unpaid withholding tax was filed in the office of Prothonotary Olin W. Evans against Ralph P. Flannagan this week. Mr. Flannagan is former owner of Flannagan's Furniture Store, Main Street, Dallas.