

## Harmony Club Celebrates Thirtieth Birthday



Harmony Club celebrated its thirtieth anniversary with a chicken dinner at Centermoreland Methodist Church served by the W.S.C.S. There were two charter members present: Mrs. Ira Frantz and Mrs. Frank Besteder. Absent charter member was Mrs. W. E. Schoonover.

Front row: Mrs. Gordon Austin, Mrs. Frank Besteder, and Mrs. Ira Frantz.

Second row: Mrs. Bayden Roderick, Mrs. Henry Phillips, Mrs. John Perry, Mrs. William Rozelle, Mrs. Ralph Lampman, Mrs. Weldon Carle, Mrs. Margaret

Hayes, Mrs. Floyd Reese, Mrs. Byron Kester, Mrs. George Schollenberger.

Third row: Mrs. Harry Sweppenheiser, Mrs. Thorn, Mrs. Ira Carle, Mrs. William Hitchings, Mrs. Reese Lewis, Mrs. William Llewellyn, Mrs. George Berlew, Mrs. George Bliss, Mrs. Russell Race, Mrs. Roy Martz and Mrs. Lewis Underwood.

Officers are: President, Mrs. Bayden Roderick; Vice President, Mrs. Floyd Reese; Secretary, Mrs. Byron Kester; Treasurer, Mrs. Gordon Austin.

## Schools Back In Session, Buses On Regular Schedule After Storm

Schools in the Back Mountain, closed for two days because of heavy snow, reopened Wednesday morning. All school buses were able to cover the territory, and with a few instances of pupils not being able to reach the bus stop through drifted lanes, attendance was up to the average for mid-winter.

Dallas Area Schools reported everything in running order, and buses travelling without hindrance.

Lehman-Jackson-Ross reported one student unable to reach the school bus stop, and Lake-Noxen one student.

Lake-Noxen expects to make up one of its lost days today, when the calendar called for a holiday in advance of George Washington's Birthday. A possibility for making

up the other lost day is Holy Thursday or Teachers' Day in June. The half day lost on Wednesday when a water main froze and school had to be dismissed early, does not count. Lake lost no time during the flu epidemic.

The State requires 180 days of school.

Lehman and Dallas already had two days to make up because of closing for influenza in the fall. Added to this, are the two days lost during the snow storm. Dallas will make up the lost full days at the end of the year. Neither jointure is able to say at this time when the other days will be made up. State reimbursement is geared to the required number of school days. No full calendar of school days, no reimbursement.

## Dallas Wins Another Big One, Defeating Ashley At Home 85-70

The Hot-Rods were never hotter than the ones going Wednesday night on Dallas Township court. Defense was thrown to the winds, as Dallas won over Ashley 85-70 before 450 excited and jubilant fans. It was really horse race ball from the first period.

Augustine led the Ashley attack with 29 points supported by Koblacka with 17; Cooper with 27 and Strauser and Mosier in support with 20 each were the Dallas standouts. It was anybody's ball game until late in the fourth quarter when Dallas put on a spurt to pull the game out of the fire.

The game was tied up more times than a chorus girl changes boy friends. With both teams playing full throttle throughout, Dallas had the better of it at the foul stripe by sinking 23 of 34 shots. Cooper made a total of 11 conversions. Ashley converted on 14 of 22 tries.

Dallas starting strong ran up a seven-point lead in one minute and seven seconds of the first period. At this point Ashley came to life and began to shave the lead, with the first period going to Dallas 20-18. Cooper was driving in and making a large percentage of his shots count, while Strauser was getting the rebounds off the boards. Dallas was trying hard to stop Augustine from driving in for lay-ups, but the Rocket flash was really on, and the defense was unable to set up its blocks.

The second period saw Dallas win by another 2-point margin. Mosier sinking three straight set shots from outside, drew the Rocket defense out for Strauser and Cooper to sneak in for lay-ups. Ashley was doing as well and it was anybody's ball game when the team left the floor at the half with Dallas leading 39-35.

The third and fourth periods were to all appearances a replay of the first half. Late in the fourth Dallas really put on the clincher. Cooper was looking one way and passing to Strauser under the basket. Mosier was giving lessons in dribbling, and was fouled repeatedly by Ashley in attempts to obtain possession of the ball. That is the story of the game.

Dallas	G.	F.	Pts.
Rome	4	0	8
Dietz	1	0	2
Strauser	7	6	20
Mosier	7	6	20
Mollahan	4	0	8
Cooper	8	11	27
Totals	31	23	85

Brenner	2	1	5
Hooper	3	1	7
Worke	1	0	2
Cole	2	2	6
Breznay	1	0	2
Totals	28	14	70

Officials, Hill and Sorochak.

Ashley 18-17-16-19—70  
Dallas 20-19-18-28—85

Mollahan who entered the game in the second half looked good on his shots, as did Rome and Dietz.

## Dallas Kiwanis Hears Dr. Reiff

### Fascinating Facts About Harveys Lake

Dallas Kiwanis Club heard some interesting facts about Harveys Lake Wednesday evening, when Dr. Charles Reiff, head of the Science Department at Wilkes College, spoke on Limology (lakes and streams).

Harveys Lake, said Dr. Reiff, is not bottomless, as popular belief had it until a few years ago. The lake has a depth of between 92 and 95 feet in its deep spots. After Dr. Reiff finished taking 287 soundings, covering the lake from one end to the other, old-timers still insisted he must have missed a few spots. The water in the lake turns itself over twice a year, a gradual process, oxygen-laden top water being replaced by waters from the depths, insuring air for fish which retreat to the depths during the summer time. This includes the smelts, which come close to the top during the winter, follow the cold back to the bottom of the lake in the summer.

Bud Mathers presided, and Rev. Robert Yost, newly elected president of the local YMCA, gave the invocation. A birthday gift sent from Florida by Al Glahn, was won by Sherman Harter.

Support was asked for the Key Club at the Township school, which is sponsoring two basketball games next Thursday evening.

It was announced that six members of Dallas Kiwanis attended a Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis meeting at Sterling Hotel February 13.

## Cherry Pie At Bake Sale

Christian Friendly Class, Huntsville Christian Church, will hold a bake sale tomorrow at 4 p. m. at Gerald Frantz' Gift Shop on the main highway in Shavertown. Cherry pie, in anticipation of Washington's Birthday, will be a feature. Mrs. Elva Warmouth is chairman.

## Harry Allen Jr. Badly Injured

### On Crutches After Car Is Demolished

Harry H. Allen Jr., badly injured in a car crash at Troy, Pennsylvania, December 1, is now able to be about on crutches in his home at Harveys Lake.

After nine weeks spent in the hospital in Troy with a seriously fractured leg, he was discharged February 1, with orders to report back to the hospital once a week. A second operation may be found necessary, to remove the metal pin which is strengthening the splintered bone.

Harry, 21, was on his way back from his fourth season on the Great Lakes when he struck a pot-hole in a detour near Troy. Papers from the sun-visor overhead were dislodged, temporarily blinding him. The car struck a tree and was demolished. The Troy rescue squad took him to the hospital.

This year Harry was helmsman on the SS Millsop. Great Lakes ports are closed during the winter, crews going back home and reporting as soon as the ice breaks in the spring. He was less than a hundred miles from home when the accident occurred.

## Robert Broody Is Improving

### Fire Victim Is Taking Nourishment

Robert Broody, painfully burned over more than sixty percent of his body, is making a remarkable recovery at Berwick Hospital where he started to take nourishment on Monday.

His father Anthony Broody said Thursday, "I have nothing but the highest regard for the physicians and the new techniques which they are using. The open air treatment of burns requires no swaths, greases, ointments or bandages but a spray is released in the air similar to any aerosol bomb."

Mr. Broody said Robert will have no scars.

A physical therapist works with him daily to loosen up muscles. Robert was burned when he threw gasoline on trash he was burning two weeks ago at the Broody greenhouse near Beach Haven.

## Key Club To Sponsor Basketball Games

The Key Club of Dallas-Franklin-Monroe High School will sponsor two basketball games Thursday night. Girls of the Varsity will meet girls on the alumnae team at 7; boys' Varsity will meet alumni at 8. Tickets may be purchased from members of the Key Club or at the gymnasium door. Receipts will defray expenses of the Key Club delegates to the Allentown convention later in the spring.

## Forlorn Robin

Mrs. May Conway, Trucksville, called on one of the bitterest days of the week to report a very fat robin, looking very down in the mouth as he sat on a limb of her ash tree.

## Vivian Cat Is Home

The Melvin Vivian family on West Center Hill road were delighted late Wednesday afternoon when their pet grey cat with white paws returned home after being away ever since the snow storm started last Saturday.

## Peter Delaney Has Heart Attack

### Given Oxygen On Way To Mercy Hospital

Peter Delaney, proprietor of Delaney's Gas Service on Memorial Highway, was stricken with a severe heart attack Sunday morning and rushed to Mercy Hospital at 10 a. m., receiving oxygen continuously during the trip. He is resting comfortably. Cardiograms have been taken.

Mr. Delaney dropped into Dixon's for the Sunday papers, leaving his truck parked outside, saw Dr. H. G. Gallagher also getting papers, and asked for advice about a bad pain in his chest, recurrence of a pain he had suffered the day before while delivering a tank of bottled gas to a customer.

Dr. Gallagher, seeing his patient near collapse, sent for the Dallas Community Ambulance and for Father Frank, who hurried down from Gate of Heaven to administer the rites.

Leslie Barstow and Leslie Barstow, Jr., and Ray Titus, dropped their snow shovels in response to the emergency call. Nort Bert and son, Jackie, assisted in getting the patient into the ambulance.

## Phone Traffic Heavy Monday

Some idea of the abnormal traffic carried by Commonwealth Telephone Company lines during the height of this week's snow storm can be obtained from figures released by Jack Landis, Dallas office manager.

On Monday there were 48,048 outgoing calls as compared to a normal 19,521 calls. Incoming calls were 28,194 compared to a normal 14,521. There were 2,924 overflow calls (calls that could not be handled by the lines) compared with a normal 11.

A total of 76,242 calls (incoming and outgoing) on Monday compares with a normal total of 34,018. The increased load on Monday was 124 percent of normal. The normal figures were taken last August when Harveys Lake traffic was at its peak.

The recent storm did little or no damage to lines and was nothing for repairmen in comparison with sleet storms and wet snow which double the resistance of lines and consequently cause breakage.

## Youth Who Rifled Lake Cottages Is Sentenced

A Swoyerville youth who rifled Harveys Lake cottages of electrical appliances during December, was sentenced by Judge Lewis on Wednesday to a term of imprisonment from eighteen and a half months to five years.

Articles including a gas stove which was taken apart nut by nut and bolt by bolt, were stolen from cottages owned by Percy Brown, Eugene Lazarus, and a number of others. When disposal proved difficult, Edward Paluk, 21, threw the articles over a bank beyond Scranton. Some of them were recovered, according to Chief Edgar Hughes.

The youth, said Chief Hughes, customarily carried a loaded automatic.

His mother had no idea of what he had been doing. Grief-stricken, she handed Hughes a fifty dollar bill which Edward had given her for Christmas. "I can't keep it," she said, "I am afraid he got it dishonestly."

## Hogoboom Heads Seal Campaign

### Crippled Children's Easter Goal \$16,000

Richard Hogoboom, Sutton Road, Trucksville, has been named chairman of the 1958 Easter Seal Campaign for Wyoming Valley Crippled Children's Association, according to an announcement by Robert E. Pickup, president of the Association.

During the 1958 Easter Seal campaign, March 6 through Easter Sunday, April 6, Hogoboom will direct a large group of volunteers in the month long appeal.

Appointed to serve as co-chairman was Mrs. W. H. Mainwaring, Fort Fort. Both Hogoboom and Mrs. Mainwaring are directors of the Crippled Children's Association. Hogoboom is manager of Wilkes-Barre office of Kidder, Peabody Company, having been formerly associated with the Philadelphia office. He is a native of North Dakota and a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, a member of the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club and the First Presbyterian Church.

In accepting the post, Hogoboom pointed out that the 1958 goal for Easter Seal funds in Wyoming Valley is \$16,000 which must be met if crippled children in this area are to continue to receive the care necessary for their rehabilitation and if direct services are to be extended to other handicapped persons not now receiving care and treatment.

## Area Loses Third Key School Man In Six Months

### Charles James Dies At Johns Hopkins After Long Illness



CHARLES JAMES

With the passing of Charles James, secondary school administrator, Dallas Area School Jointure has lost a third key man. Raymond Kuhnert, Area Principal, died July 27; Harry Ohlman, president of the joint board and of Luzerne County School Board, died three weeks later, at a time when Mr. James was desperately ill at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Showing improvement for a time, Mr. James was readmitted to Johns Hopkins during the Christmas holidays, and died there Thursday night.

He was buried in Fern Knoll Tuesday afternoon, following services from Dallas Methodist Church, where the body lay in state. Pallbearers were: William Clewell, Dr. Robert Bodycomb, L. L. Richardson, D. T. Scott of Dallas Borough School Board; Patrick Reithoffer and Hayward Lancia. Honorary pallbearers were James Martin, supervising principal; William A. Austin, elementary administrator; W. Frank Trimble, Westmoreland principal; John Rosser, Dallas-Franklin High School principal.

Masonic and Eastern Star services were held Monday night at the funeral home.

Rev. Russell Lawry, in speaking of one of his best friends and staunch supporters of the church, brought out the fact that Mr. James was dedicated to his faith and to service to the community, putting aside all thought of personal aggrandizement, playing the cards as they were dealt, and making the most efficient use possible of his keen understanding of children and youth.

Supervising principal of Dallas Borough Schools, he yielded his position with good grace when the Westmoreland Jointure was formed, taking on the duties of Supervisor of Curriculum. When the larger jointure was formed, he became Supervisor of Secondary Education for both high schools.

One of the last things he did, when he realized that death was imminent, was to will his eyes to the eye-bank, that somebody else might see.

Active in work of the church, Mr. James was superintendent of the Sunday School, a member of the official board, and teacher of the Edgar Brace Bible Class. He had extensive Masonic connections, holding membership in Caldwell Consistory, Irem Temple, and the uniformed police units. He was past master of Silentia Lodge 168, F&AM, of Butler, N. J., and was Worthy Patron of Dallas O. E. S.

A strong supporter of Back Mountain Memorial Library, he was chairman of the Barn for one of the annual auctions.

Mr. James, a native of Coudersport, graduated from Mansfield State Teachers College. After holding supervisory positions in Gouldsboro, Pa., and Kinnelon Borough, N. J., he came to Noxen as supervising principal in 1941. He was supervising principal of Dallas Borough Schools until jointure with Kingston Township.

He is survived by his widow, the former Hannah Caswell of Taylor, a teacher in the Dallas Area Jointure kindergarten; a son, Charles C. James, elementary teacher in Pemberton Schools, N. J.; a sister, Mrs. Owen Holcomb, Shinglehouse; two brothers: Z. L. James, Genesee; and Ronald L. James, Pen Yan, N. Y.; a number of nieces and nephews.

Mr. James was a brother-in-law of Rev. David R. Morgan, former pastor of Alderson Methodist Charge, now pastor of Christ Methodist Church, Mountain Top.

## Heaviest Storm In Years Visits Back Mountain

### Climaxes Ten Days Of Sub-Zero Cold And Stops Traffic

Back Mountain residents stayed off the highway in droves on Sunday, heeding the warning of State Police and Wyoming Valley Motor Club that roads were almost impassable in this area, and completely blocked in other sections. Folks who blithely ignored the warnings, regretted it later. The storm started Saturday afternoon, and continued all night, dumping a foot more snow to add to the fourteen inches of a week earlier.

Local roads were well ploughed in comparison with Wilkes-Barre and Scranton, where traffic was practically at a standstill. The northeast extension of the Turnpike was closed Sunday afternoon when a howling gale whipped powdery snow into heavy drifts.

Coming on top of ten days of zero weather, the heavy snow seemed like almost the last straw. But residents, reading of the plight of Honesdale, decided they were not too badly off. Honesdale was isolated.

Kingston Township, which had succeeded in ploughing out from under thirteen foot drifts left by the storm of the preceding week, buckled down to open its rural roads again.

With two hired bulldozers and a snow-plough truck augmenting their equipment, road crews broke a path to the home of Mrs. Libbie Simons, where Doris Stritzinger had been sheltered for a day and a night after collapsing in a snow drift.

The Kingston Township ambulance staffed by Bill Purcell and Arnold Yeust, took Mrs. Stritzinger to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Monday morning at 11. Mrs. Stritzinger, who tried to reach home early Sunday morning while her husband battled drifts to get his car under way, was in poor shape when she reached the home of Mrs. Simons, and required round-the-clock attention until the rescue was made. Three hours in a drift in zero temperature had frozen one of her legs.

By Wednesday morning Back Mountain school buses were running on schedule, though a number of residents of Franklin Township kept the children at home because of the distance through deep snow to the bus stops.

By Thursday morning, under a bright sun, temperatures rose and bare highways appeared as if by magic.

## Sidelights On The Storm

Folks who attended the Valentine Dance given by Dallas Woman's Club at Irem Country Club found their cars snowed in after the party was over, and snow still pelting down. Drivers who had stalls broke the way for those who did not, but at that, some party-goers had to walk home, arriving at 4 a. m. to relieve weary baby-sitters. Among the plodders were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sekera.

Gerry Stout, Holcomb's Grove, did things the easy way. He went in town on the bus on Sunday, and stayed there until Tuesday evening. Marge, with a store next door, didn't have to cope with the blocked garage.

J. Carol Dodson, student at Elmira College for Women, spent five and a half hours in the bus terminal in Mansfield on Sunday, reaching Elmira at 11 p. m.

Tom Hicks, on his way to Cornwall, Ontario, took a train from Scranton (see Pillar to Post) and by 11 p. m. had progressed as far as Syracuse. Nothing was running from that point on, so he holed up for the night at the hotel.

Schools were out for two days, and all the kids caught up on their sledding.

Phil Cheney of Dallas Service Station says he'd be willing to bet there isn't a set of chains or any of the repair parts for sale in the Back Mountain or Wyoming Valley.

During the zero days preceding and during the big snow, filling stations were run ragged getting frozen cars started and giving batteries a quick shot in the arm.

Nobody could have looked more blissful than Si Evans when he ploughed out the Dallas Post parking lot and driveway on Tuesday. Swoosh, swoosh, the long blade on his huge tractor turned back the snow. Si, up aloft in his parka, wearing a smile you could have tied behind, said business was fine... not like last year when nobody needed a snow plough.

The hens have all stopped laying, going back into winter hibernation but eating their heads off just the same.

Folks keep right on reporting robins.

## Welcome Lambs

This has been a busy year at Highland Acres Farm, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thomas. During January 54 lambs were born; in February, six.

## So You Think This Is Deep



Road Supervisor Arthur Smith of Kingston Township stands on top of one of the giant drifts of snow near the former Harvey A. Coon farm in Kingston Township. With him are Robert Gregory and other members of road crew who have worked day and night for the past two weeks. This picture was taken a week ago Wednesday.

Since then there has been another severe storm and the drifts have piled twice as high.



Henry Peterson and Arthur Smith stand in front of the Paul Cybulski, potato storage house on Coon Road in the Carverton area of Kingston Township. Those great drifts on either side, completely covered the storage house where 10,000 bushels of potatoes are normally stored. In case you think that it is open sky above the roof, you're mistaken. It is nothing but snow to the top of the picture.