



This is an architect's drawing of the new Back Mountain Shopping Center which will be located between Route 309 and Ferguson Avenue opposite Evans Drug Store in Shavertown. The center will have nine

and possibly ten stores. There will be ample parking space for 1,000 automobiles in front of the variety of shops that will face Route 309. Biggest of the stores will be the new Acme Market with possibly a

large Junior Department store at the other end of the row of shops. Acme Market, located near the present Shavertown Grade School will be the first store to be constructed with others taking shape

just as quickly as possible. Completely modern in design, with grounds landscaped, and provisions for safe, convenient off-the-street parking, the center will provide housewives with a variety of shops.

Oldest Business Institution In The Back Mountain

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MORE THAN A NEWSPAPER, A COMMUNITY INSTITUTION

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Robbers Loot G. L. Boote Home

Police are still working without clues to the Saturday night robbery at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Boote, Knob Hill, Trucksville.

Making their entry through a basement window some time between 6:45 and 11:15 p.m., the robbers stole a small household wall safe containing a quantity of cash and bonds and completely ransacked the attractive ranch style home in their search for other valuables.

The safe, which had been concealed behind clothes racks in a bedroom closet, was found opened with some bonds still intact in the wooded area just down the hill on the Conyngham property.

The thieves, apparently professionals, wore gloves and left no fingerprints.

Entry was made during one of those rare instances when the Boote family was out for the evening. In company with their daughter and son-in-law Dr. and Mrs. John M. Krause of Danville, they had gone to a movie in Wilkes-Barre. The family Boxer was alone in the house.

When they returned, Mrs. Krause found her mother's purse on the living room floor and mentioned that the Boxer must have brought it there. That was the beginning of a fearful discovery. The entire house had been ransacked! The den was turned topsy-turvy. In bedroom, the robbers had taken out all of the dresser drawers and strewn their contents over the floors. A microscope box, owned by Dr. Krause, was jimmied, but the microscope left untouched.

While the robbers were at work, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wyant were entertaining the Dance of the Month Club nearby. Nobody saw any strangers in the vicinity of the Boote home.

Mr. Boote immediately notified Kingston Township and State Police. Officer Herbert Updyke arrived shortly and State Police continued the investigation throughout the early morning hours.

Some of the money taken was church funds kept by Mrs. Boote for an organization of which she is an officer.

The robbery is one of the latest in a series in the Back Mountain area that has included Evans Drug Store, all high schools, Caddie La-Bar's sporting goods stores and others.

A safe stolen from the Post Company in Wilkes-Barre was recently found opened and discarded near Huntsville.



Five Hundred Men Are Speeding Work On Big Jackson Mental Institution

Despite frequent bad weather, completion of the State Hospital for Mental Delinquents in Jackson Township is becoming a reality. It is possible, but improbable, that scheduled completion on November 28, 1958 will be met, according to Jack Finlow, assistant supervisor of John McShain, general contractors.

Of the thirty-eight buildings to be erected on the forty-acre site, four are in the final stages of construction and it is likely that at least a dozen more will be completed within the next couple of months. Among these will be some of the thirteen blockhouses that will ultimately be used to house nearly 1,000 patients; each to be assigned to a single, ten by six and a half-foot room, complete with lavatory and toilet.

The site of this activity in Jackson Township, about four miles from Huntsville Dam, is on land that has experienced a tremendous face-lifting through the removal of nearly a half-million yards of rock and dirt. The location was chosen by the General State Authority which is backing the project at a cost of \$13,500,000; but when the project is completed it will be administered by the State Department of Justice.

Only One of Its Kind
The Jackson Institution is a departure from other State Hospitals, normally controlled by the Welfare

Department. It is the only one of its kind in the country. It is designed to accommodate only men, of any age, who have been declared mentally deficient and criminally inclined and it will attempt to rehabilitate and return them to society so that they may lead normal, productive lives.

Recreational facilities will include an athletic field, television and reading rooms, and a 900-seat combination auditorium-gymnasium. For those who have the capabilities and desire for further education there will be a school in which they can study subjects up to, and including, the last year of high school; for the more mechanically minded there will be a vocational building completely equipped with shop.

A 300-seat chapel with revolving altar will serve the religious needs of Jews, Catholics and Protestants. The unusual altar will have three back-drops and when a particular religious group holds its service they will simply move the altar to the segment which is necessary for devotions.

Much of the routine maintenance work at the institution will be assigned to patients. Gardening, some maintenance and most of the kitchen work will be done by them. There will also be approximately 75 or 100 civilian workers, presumably from the Back Mountain area.

Civilians who will work or visit

at the hospital will enter by a gate that will lead them into a courtyard. Once they are in the courtyard they will be confronted by another gate which cannot be opened until the gate behind them is locked. This is only one of the measures that will be taken to insure maximum security. Around the buildings a twenty-foot high metal fence will be erected, and spaced at strategic spots will be six guard towers rising thirty feet in height.

Other than these obvious protective measures there will be little to suggest, from outside appearances, that the occupants are under fairly strict surveillance.

Joe Shard, the project architect, said in an interview that the buildings were all designed with the idea of nullifying, as much as possible, the appearance of a prison. Even the window sashes are of a special design to complement grill-work on the windows.

Responsible for carrying out the architect's plans are twenty-three prime contractors, John McShain, Inc. as general contractor. Supervised by Lew Edwards, the McShain Company employs 250 of the 500 men who are on the job. Local contractors who have also done work on the institution, include Dean Shaver who drilled the two wells that supply the 600,000 gallon reservoir.

Back Mountain Firms Exhibit At The Armory

Parade Of Progress Will Continue Until Late Saturday Night

Back Mountain businessmen are well represented at the Parade of Progress in Kingston Armory this week, which is sponsored by Wilkes-Barre Junior Chamber of Commerce.

No less than five local businesses have set up attractive booths with displays ranging from cars to fish hooks.

Caddie LaBar has one of the largest exhibits. It includes seven boats, several outboard motors, fishing equipment and enough baseball gear to supply an entire league.

For those interested in sports cars, Kunkle Motors has three beauties on display: an Austin-Healey, an MG and a Swedish SAAB.

Dallas Outdoor Theatre has a midjet race car of the type that will be used when they begin their quarter-midget races this summer.

The home is emphasized in the booths sponsored by Commonwealth Telephone Company and Dallas Engineers. Phones of a dozen different colors placed against a white background indicate that there is a phone to complement any interior decorating scheme.

A fine display of heating units and burners by Dallas Engineers, Inc., is highlighted by an automatic coal dispenser which, if installed, would save hours of back-breaking work.

Another attraction at the Armory is a thirty-two foot guided missile which can be launched from B-47 bombers and which will travel at supersonic speeds. Its destructive force is more devastating than all of the bombs dropped by Air Forces on both sides during World War II. The missile is currently being displayed in front of the Armory and, whether it was done intentionally or not, it is only a few feet from four three-inch cannons which bear the date 1904. This contrast is a fine example that the Parade of Progress never stops.

The exhibit will continue until Saturday night.

Council Delays Naming Successor To MacVeigh

Dallas Borough Council accepted the resignation of Joseph MacVeigh but delayed appointing a successor at a special meeting called for that purpose on Tuesday night.

Councilman Robert Moore suggested the name of Robert Parry, manager of Shavertown Acme Market and superintendent of the Sunday School at the Dallas Methodist Church.

Councilman Grace Cace suggested Mrs. Arthur Culver, lifetime Dallas resident and John Mulhern, sixth grade teacher in Dallas Borough schools, and a registered Republican.

Both Miss Cave and Mr. Heddon expressed a desire to see a member of the Catholic faith on Council.

Since Councilman Wilbur Davis was absent and a vote might result in a tie with Burgess North Berti voting, it was decided to take more names under advisement and vote on the matter at another meeting within thirty days.

Daylight time was adopted to begin April 27 and end October 26. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 24th.

Willis Ide Loses Suit

Willis Ide, Idetown, has lost a \$30,000 suit brought against his father-in-law, Ralph Antrim of Elmira, for injuries received when he ruptured his spleen in a fall from a stepladder at the Antrim home while engaged in repair work on gutters.

Ground Broken For Construction Of Nine Shopping Center Stores

Four Generations Move The Earth



Four generations of the Eyerman family take part in ground breaking ceremonies for Back Mountain Shopping Center. Edward Eyerman Sr., 83, is a summer-resident of Shrine View and takes an active part in the construction firm which he organized in 1898 and that still bears his name. A past president of Wyoming Valley Motor Club, he is the only living member of the old West End Wheelman's Club, a forerunner of the Franklin Club. He is also the only remaining man of the twenty-five who drafted the original building code, adopted for the City of Wilkes-Barre in 1914. He was the secretary of that group.

Edward Eyerman Jr., present head of the firm, is one of the best liked men in Wyoming Valley. Engrossed in his work, he is no joiner, but has a deep interest in the Blind Association and other civic projects. He is a director of Miners Bank. He is a graduate of University of Pennsylvania. (His big brother, Bob, was drum major at Cornell.)

Edward III, a resident of Goss Manor, is an assistant in the construction firm and handles the real estate operations. A graduate of Bordentown Military school and Keystone Junior College, he was with the armed forces in Korea.

Edward IV is just about tops in the outfit, and a born construction man — as can be seen by the way he handles a shovel!

Local Students Take Top Honors At West Catholic Science Fair

Dallas area students swept three of a possible four First Prizes at West Side Central Catholic's first Science Fair which was held in the auditorium on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Ann Black, Carol Rinehart, Marion Mascali and Eddie Girvan all shared in the top honors which makes them eligible to enter their displays in the Luzerne County Science Fair to be held in Wilkes-Barre, April 23-25. Carol Rinehart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Rinehart of Trucksville, and Marion Mascali, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Mascali of Dallas shared the First Prize for the biology exhibit by dissecting and removing the entire skeleton of a frog.

The First Prize in chemistry was awarded to Eddie Girvan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Girvan of Dallas, for his construction and operation of the "Castner cell."

Ann Black, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Black of Huntsville, won the physics prize for a display showing how physics was applied in pagan times. In four steps, Ann showed how the pagans opened and closed the massive doors that served as the entrances to their cities. By expansion of gases they caused condensation which was used as energy

for a pulley system that manipulated the huge doors.

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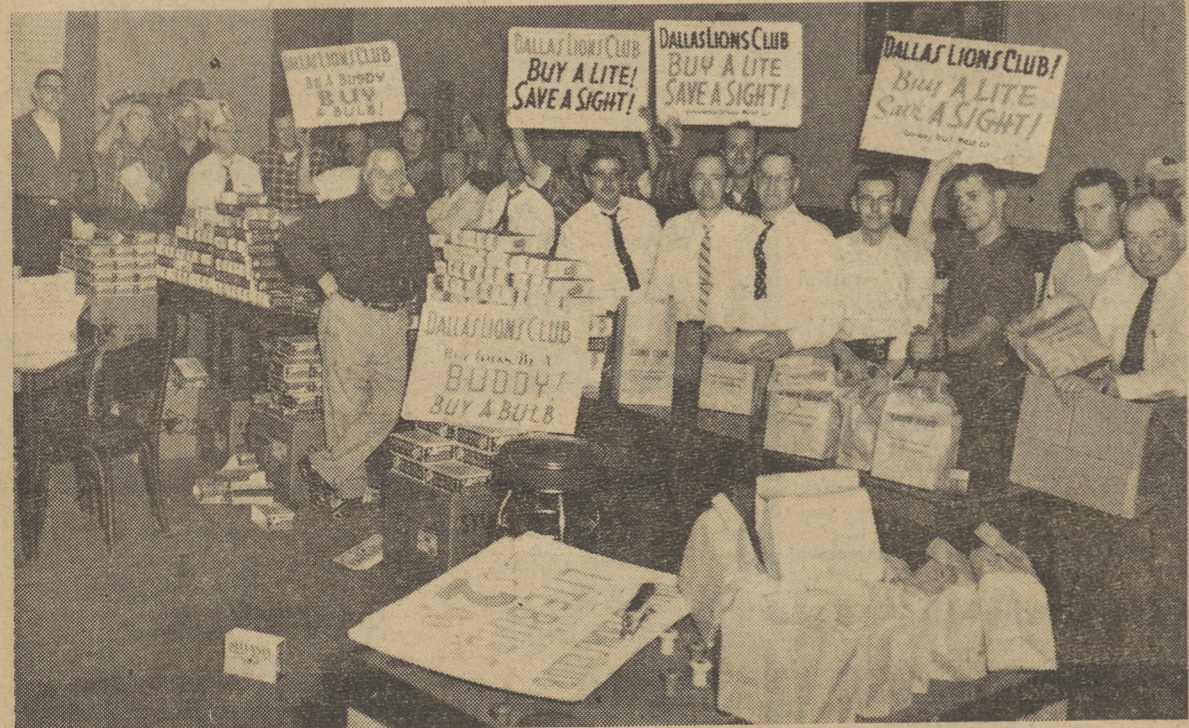
They feel that the present organization, broken up as it is among the townships, is ineffective. The public is invited.

Pursue Pigs Through Neighboring Yards

A brisk pursuit of two pigs through Lehman Saturday afternoon resulted in setting ahead their slaughter date by several weeks.

Andrew Race got the pigs on Thursday, and is turning them into ham, bacon, and chittlings for the Stuart Marks family.

Let Your Light Shine With The Lions



Spotted in this crowd of enthusiastic Dallas Lions who are preparing for their "Save a Sight—Buy a Light" campaign this Sunday are James Thomas, William Fry, George Eddy, R. E. DeRemer, Bill Davis and Thomas Smith.

Nine bulbs in a bag will sell for \$2; all of the income will be used in the Lions Sight-Saving program and other charities.

These men will call at your home Sunday. If you are going to be away, leave \$2 with your neighbor for your bag of bulbs.

A good supply at home will save everybody's sight.

Brings Back Desk Chair For Another Auction

They're beginning to come back again, those items bought last year at the Library Auction in the excitement of bidding against neighbor. Ralph Downend got a swivel desk chair last year, a sturdy job with leather seat and back. Tuesday morning he brought it back to the Barn in his truck, donating it to the Twelfth Annual Library Auction, scheduled for July 11 and 12 at the Barnyard.

BURGESS SAYS SPEED WILL BE CURBED BY ROAD BLOCKS, TRAPS

Burgess North Berti warns that speed traps will be in operation in the Borough some time during next week. Drivers, he said, have been going through stop signs with barely a pause, and making too high speed on Borough streets.

To Attend Conference

Eleanor Humphrey, secretary for the past ten years at Lake-Noxen Schools, will attend the State University conference of Pennsylvania Educational Secretaries Thursday, Friday and Saturday.