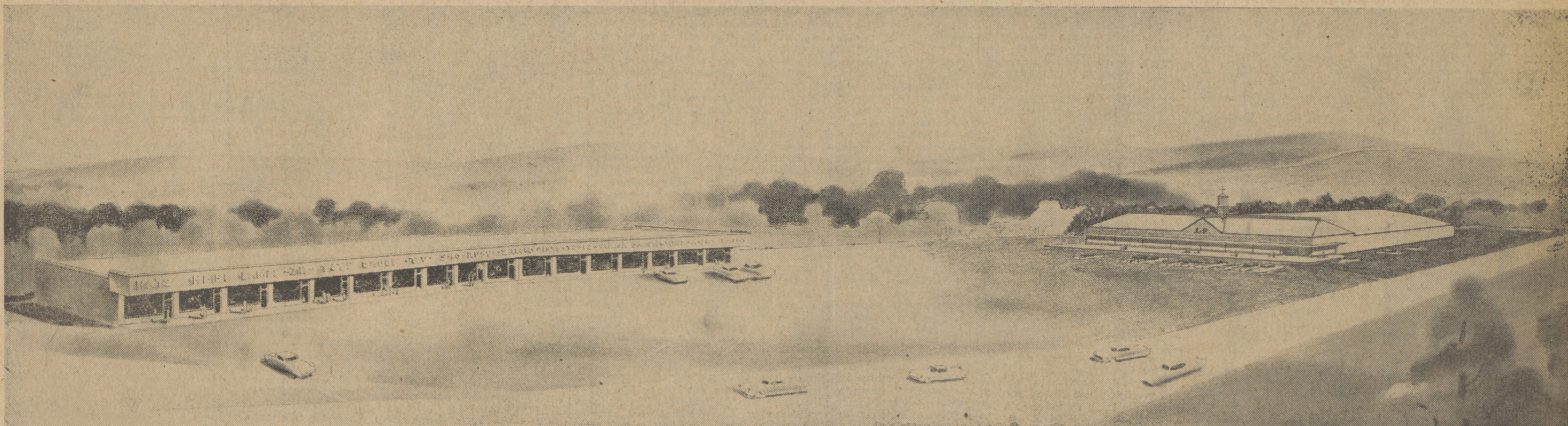


\$300,000 SHOPPING CENTER TO BE CREATED IN DALLAS



4 Cheat Death By A Hair As Crane Topples

Shears Kingpin, Drops Five-Ton Boiler, Crashes Two Joists

The Dallas Post narrowly missed having tragic front page news last Wednesday, when four men leaped to safety just in time, as a huge crane sheared its king-pin and dropped a five-ton boiler which was being lowered to its foundations in the boiler room at the new Dallas high school.

The men were easing the boiler to position, and had it practically in line with the foundation in the deep boiler room excavation, when they heard the pin snap. The crane has a capacity of twelve tons.

Superstructure of the crane crushed two metal joists, rotting the fall. A second boiler of similar size awaits installation. Little damage was done to the falling boiler.

Prentice Lacy, inspecting the building for Lacy Atherton and Davis, architects, said damage was minor. Joists will be replaced.

ARTIST HELD ON THREATS

A Shavertown artist, designer of church windows, and son of a former Republican County Treasurer, was arrested Monday by Special Agent James Burke of the U. S. Secret Service for threatening the life of Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

He is Barthomew Rutkowski, 32, Beech Street, father of three children.

He was arrested at his home and released on \$15,000 bail posted by his father, John B. Rutkowski, president of Forty Fort State Bank, after a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Harry A. Kolb at Scranton.

A further hearing is tentatively set before Commissioner Kolb on September 16, three days before Nixon visits this area.

No details were released concerning the alleged threats, but there are witnesses who say they heard them expressed in public.

Rutkowski, a graduate of Wilkes College and married to a former classmate, an Oriental student, was to have left for Columbia University on Tuesday to discuss further studies for his doctorate.

Dallas Teachers Hear Address By Dr. R. A. Mellman

New Superintendent Meets Faculty Body In Formal Session

Dr. Robert Mellman made his first formal talk to faculty members at Dallas Junior High School Tuesday morning, when teachers met to discuss plans for the coming year.

Walter Prokopchak presided, recommending that teachers bear six things in mind: decide where you are going; which road to take; who will help drive; get together to get going; keep the passengers happy and contented; take plenty of tools. He concluded by saying, "Too often we lose sight of our true mission, development of the intellectual and spiritual resources of our students."

Dr. Mellman, introduced by Charles Mannear, board president, spoke of the tremendous strides taken by this area in organizing a Union District, and stated that the district had an extremely good reputation in Harrisburg. As a straw in the wind, he cited recent teacher applications, seventy-three for an existing four vacancies.

He stressed the importance of placing emphasis upon a well-rounded education, in spite of the current demand to specialize in science and mathematics. Fine arts, he said, should not be slighted.

Invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by W. Frank Trimble, Westmoreland principal; group singing was led by Lester Lewis, accompanied by Louise Ohlman; remarks by William A. Austin, elementary supervisor; remarks by Alton Whittaker on progress within the district.

Following luncheon in the cafeteria, teachers reported to their respective buildings for instructions from the principals.

In a letter addressed to all professional employees, Dr. Mellman asked that any faculty member who had experienced anything unusual during the summer, travelled extensively, or taken post-graduate work, share such experiences with the other members of the faculty, sending a report to Alfred Camp, director of public relations, for inclusion in a news letter.

Officers of the Teachers Association are: Walter Prokopchak, president; Mrs. Jewell M. Ruddy, vice president; Grace L. Barrall, secretary; Mrs. Oce Beryl Austin, treasurer.

Building representatives for Westmoreland are Mrs. Louise Prothero and Edgar Hughes; Dallas Junior High, William B. Baran, Esther Saxe; Trucksville elementary, Marian Young; Shavertown, Mrs. Rita McGuinness; Dallas Township elementary, Mrs. Dorothy Henney; Dallas Borough, Mrs. Grace Fleming.

Named chairmen of standing committees were: Alfred Camp, public relations; Mrs. Louise Co. L. Wall, ethics; Clinton Brobst, welfare; Jennie Hill, flowers; Katherine B. Scott, legislative; Emily Goldsmith, research; James H. Goodwin, salary; Joseph Podrazik, nominating; Joseph W. Ralchys, by-laws; Donald J. Evans, policy.

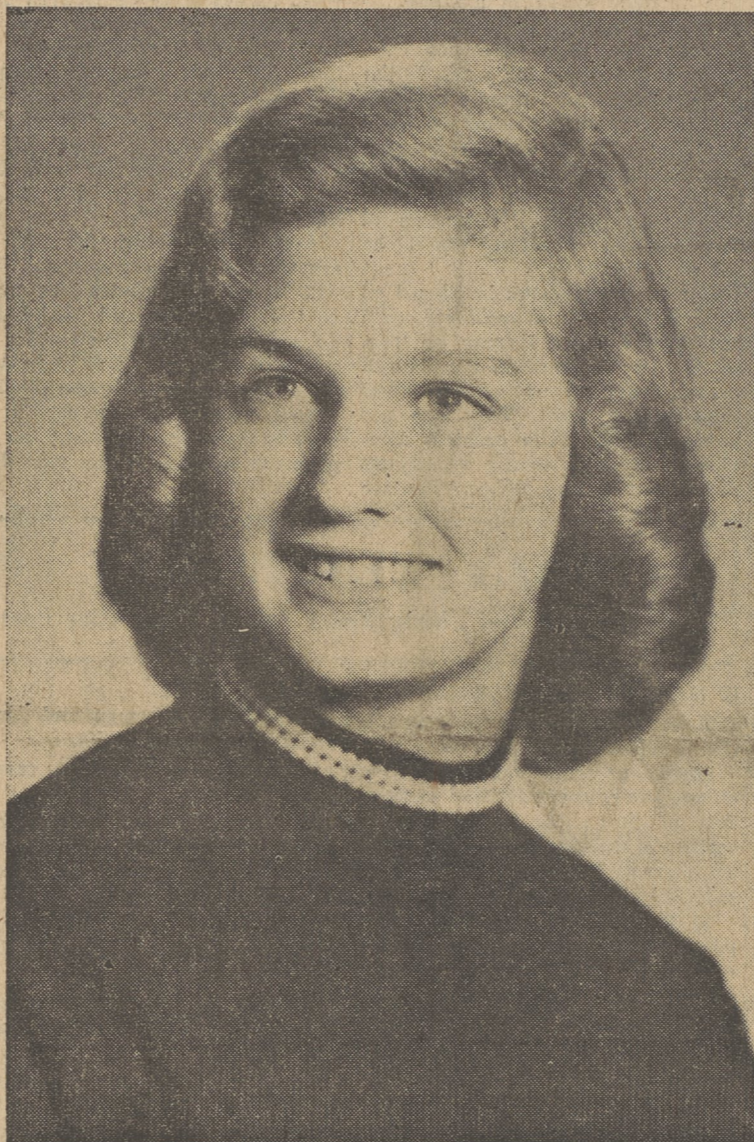
Copperhead In Trucksville

Kingston Township Police warn that a copperhead snake was killed recently in the vicinity of Cliffside Avenue and that a few years ago seven were killed in that general area.

Kills Rattlesnake

Sheldon T. Evans, Shavertown pharmacist, killed a timber rattlesnake with eight rattles and a button Sunday in the vicinity of Loyalville.

Will She Be Named Miss America?



PRISCILLA M. HENDRICKS

Priscilla Hendricks Among Top Contenders For Miss America

The eyes of the Back Mountain region, especially those of her former friends in Lehman Township, will be turned this week on the Atlantic City Beauty Pageant where for the first time a girl closely associated with the area will be among the leading contenders for the Miss America title.

She is Priscilla Hendricks whose father was for a number of years supervising principal of Lehman Schools and is now superintendent of Governor Mifflin High School in Shillington, a suburb of Reading.

A sophomore at Simmons College, Boston, Priscilla entered and won the Miss Greater Reading contest on the day she arrived home for summer vacation.

A few days later she was crowned Miss Pennsylvania at West Chester and signed a contract to represent the Pepsi Cola Company in Pennsylvania at personal appearances in department stores and community celebrations, during the summer months.

This busy schedule forced her to forego any plans for attending the University of Pennsylvania this fall where she intended to begin a course in veterinary medicine.

She is a tall smiling blonde, with bright green eyes, weighs 128 pounds and is a 35-24-35, five feet seven inches tall.

She was queen of Shillington's fiftieth anniversary two years ago, and last summer placed second in diving in the Amateur Athletic Union swimming meet in Berks County.

Her schedule this summer with the Pepsi Cola Company has been a busy one, permitting her only four or five days at home with her family. She left last Friday for the preliminaries at Atlantic City and on Monday her father and mother went down to be with her for the week and the stiff competition which opened Tuesday night with Miss America parade on the Boardwalk.

Priscilla rode on a float with merry-go-round motif and was beautiful on television.

On Tuesday morning her picture appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer with two other contestants as they strolled along the Boardwalk.

Miss Hendrick's talent is art—a difficult one to present before an audience—but she and her father have worked out a novel presentation for a pastel, two oils, a mosaic and a relief wall plaque.

Her mother, Jerry, says this has been a busy summer and she will be glad when it comes to a close, but she doesn't think the limelight has turned her daughter's pretty, sensible head a bit.

Fritz is pleased that Shillington schools do not open until September 19, giving him an opportunity to be in the middle of the excitement at Atlantic City much as he was in former days at Lehman Horse Show and Back Mountain Library Auctions.

The opening of Shillington schools has happily been delayed because of reconstruction of the old Shillington Junior High School Building and the construction of a new million and a half dollar addition.

Mr. Hendricks will be the speaker at the January meeting of Dallas Elementary and Junior High School PTA meeting later this year.

Parking Is Barred On Huntsville Road

Chief of Police Russell Honeywell warns all motorists that no parking is permitted either side on Huntsville Road from Main street to Franklin street. This precautionary measure has been taken to forestall possibility of accidents to school children darting from behind parked cars.

Council Meets Tuesday

Dallas Borough Council will hold its September meeting on Tuesday night at the Borough Building.

Construction To Start Immediately On New Eighteen Unit Shopping Center At Y

First Lease Is Signed With A & P Company; Seventeen Other Units Are Still Available

Mothers Guard Intersection

Group Gathers To Guarantee Safety

Mothers of Shavertown Elementary School children manned the Center Street crossing Wednesday morning, in the absence of police protection. Gathering at 9 a. m. were: Mrs. Edward Ratcliffe, Mrs. Neil Kochoer, Mrs. William Pugh, Mrs. James Mericle, Mrs. Ralph Gearhart, Mrs. Kenneth Beisel, Mrs. Stanley Wills, Mrs. James Keiper, Jr., Mrs. Clayton Klaboe, Mrs. Wilbur Lawry, Mrs. Luther Strunk, Mrs. Percy Love and Mrs. Kelley. Present also were two fathers, William Pugh and Milo A. Bauerly.

Many more mothers from the east side of the highway crossed with their children, en route to first grade registration.

There was no demonstration. Assistant Chief of Police Herbert Updyke paused in his patrol car for a few moments.

At Trucksville school, there was no organized group of mothers.

In Dallas Borough and Dallas Township, police manned the main crossings in their areas.

Kingston Township Supervisors withdrew regular police protection of school crossings August 10.

Announcement was made yesterday by Louis F. Goeringer, Orange, that construction will start within the next three weeks on a new eighteen unit shopping center at the intersection of Routes 309 and 115 opposite Orchard Farm Restaurant.

At the same time the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company announced that one of the units will be occupied by one of its most modern super markets. This building will be of Colonial design in keeping with the firm's 150th anniversary.

In discussing plans for the center, Mr. Goeringer said that seventeen of the first floor units are available for lease. He also stated there is a possibility of adding a section of second floor offices for professional use.

Plans for the center have been drawn by architect Ettore Lipp. The site, which was purchased in 1940 from Wilkes-Barre Traction Company, contains 163,000 square feet, 39,999 of which will be occupied by shops and super market.

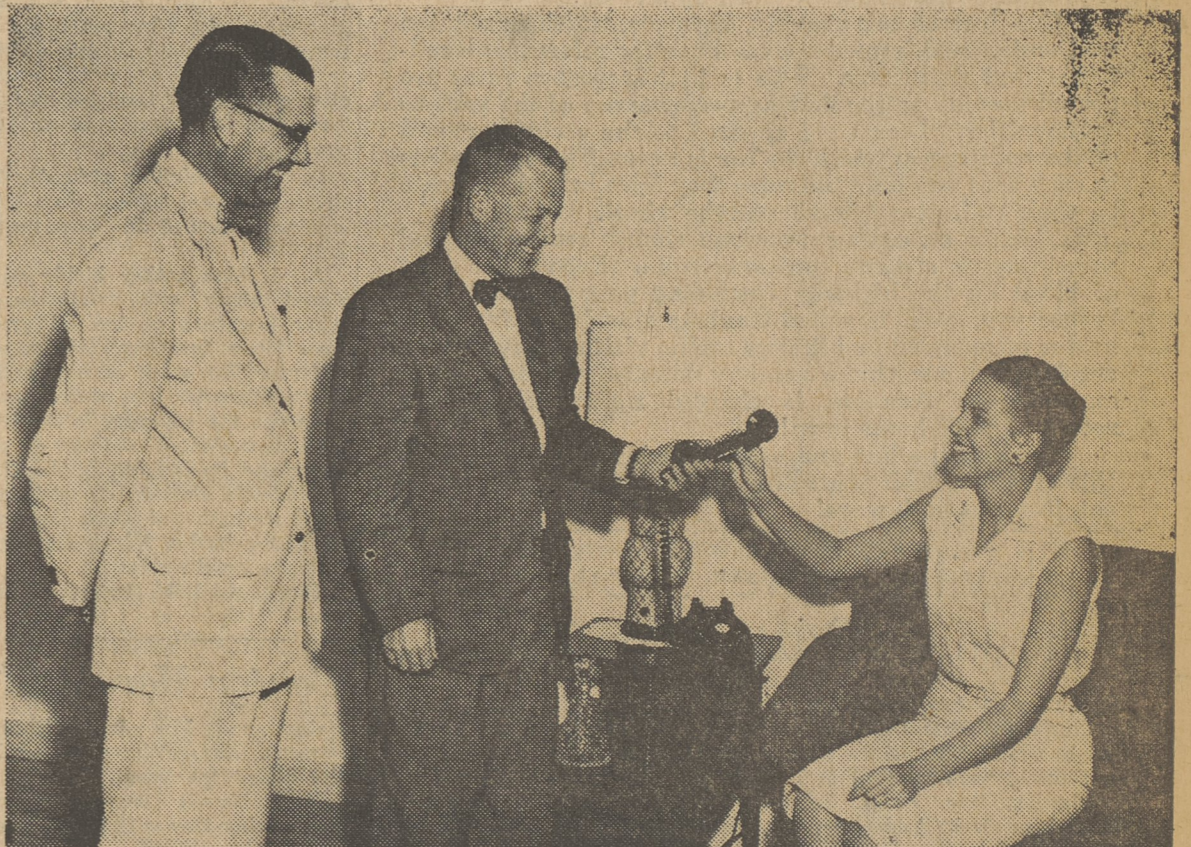
The entire area will be paved and brilliantly lighted. Since acquiring the property which was covered with a grove of hemlocks, Mr. Goeringer has had the trees removed, and the whole area brought up to grade with thousands of tons of breaker rock.

Last year he erected a building there which is occupied by Luigi's Pizzeria. Negotiations for the lease with A & P were handled by Harry F. Goeringer & Sons who will also handle the leasing of the other units.

A section of the adjoining property is owned by Atlantic Refining Company and there is a likelihood that construction will soon start there on a new service station.

No name has yet been selected for the center. It is hoped that residents will suggest one and mail their suggestions to Harry F. Goeringer & Sons offices in the Miners Bank, Wilkes-Barre.

Commonwealth Installs 75,000th Telephone



Commonwealth Telephone Company this week installed its 75,000th telephone at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Geiger, Oak Hill.

Participating were: left to right: Daniel G. Chapman, general commercial superintendent, J. N. Landis, district manager, and Mrs. William Geiger, formerly of Emmaus.

The Geigers are new residents of the Back Mountain area since Mr. Geiger's transfer here by Westinghouse Corporation.

Installation of the 75,000th telephone marks Commonwealth's better-than twelve-fold growth since it was acquired by Andrew J. Sordoni in 1928 and takes on added import during the 50th anniversary year of the founding of Sordoni Enterprises.

In 1928, Commonwealth had 6000 subscribers and a general plant in

immediate need of rehabilitation. Since then, the Company has reconstructed its entire outside plant, exchanged numerous unattended dial exchange buildings and has converted 92 percent of its system to dial.

Foremost among its many new buildings are offices in Towanda, Clarks Summit, Tunkhannock, Elizabethville, Quarryville and Bangor. In 1951 Commonwealth located its general offices in its new administration building at Dallas.

During these years Commonwealth has expanded until it serves approximately 4600 square miles in eastern Pennsylvania. In 1952 it merged within it the former Luzerne and Bradford County Telephone Companies.

Other major acquisitions included Tioga County Bell Telephone Company in 1953, Pennsylvania Com-

munity Telephone Company in 1954 and Blakeslee and Ferridge Telephone Company in 1955. A multi-million dollar program of rehabilitation of plant and service was considerably advanced at the close of World War II with emphasis being placed on the mechanization of exchanges.

Plant valuation today exceeds \$24 million, compared with \$1 1/2 million in 1928, and each year, for the past five years, has continued its record construction pace scheduling annually more than \$2 1/2 million in new construction.

Third largest of the independent telephone companies in Pennsylvania and 27th in the Nation, Commonwealth continues to keep pace with the rapid growth of its service area.

King-Size Pops Poster



Mrs. Richard Patton of Sutton Road, Trucksville, extends an invitation to all Back Mountain residents, by way of her king-size poster, to attend the special outdoor, "Pops" concert of the Wilkes-Barre Philharmonic Orchestra this Sunday afternoon, September 11, at 4 o'clock in the pavilion at Irem Temple Country Club. This is the first time the orchestra has played outside of Wilkes-Barre. The occasion is the opening of the local orchestra's tenth anniversary season.

This free concert represents a generous donation of time and talent on the part of the symphony's musicians. Two local residents who are regular members of the ensemble are John Detroy, tympanist, who is also associate conductor, and Robert Baird, who at one time

played with the United States Navy Band.

The program will include such all-time favorites as "Slaughter on Tenth Avenue" by Richard Rodgers, "Holiday for Strings" by David Rose, and selections from Bizet's "Carmen." In the absence of Ferdinand Liva, William Gasbarro will conduct. Mr. Liva is currently in Europe making final arrangements for a number of guest conducting engagements abroad. He will return in time to conduct the November opening of the orchestra's regular subscription series.

The free concert also marks the kickoff of an intensive membership campaign which will be headed by Mrs. Houston Day of Shavertown. Mrs. Richard Paterson is poster chairman for this valley-wide drive.