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Editorially Speaking:

Community Grieves For Dr. Grover

His many friends and staunch admirers in the Back Mountain feel a genuine grief at the death last Thursday of Dr. A. W. Grover, grand old man of the Nesbitt Hospital staff.

Dr. Grover, for 52 years a practicing physician and surgeon in Kingston, took a friendly interest in everybody who was admitted to Nesbitt. The sight of his lean figure in its operating gown and cap, going through the halls at 3 a. m., was reassuring to anxious relatives.

There was nobody quite like Dr. Grover. Honors came to him, but he never sought them. He was too busy caring for his people. Rest well, Dr. Grover.

Some Of Us Are Confused

Some of us are confused. That is because we think in terms of butter and eggs, the price of bread, the mounting cost of fuel, and an unusually hard winter.

We wonder if the solution to not being able to afford a cook is to hire two upstairs maids and a butler.

The new 2 cent gasoline tax (temporary, to last only one year, of course), will solve all our problems. Drivers, anxious to take advantage of being taxed, will hasten to buy large cars whose tanks will accommodate more gasoline.

Manufacture of large cars, capable of using more gas, will take an upward swing, and the trend to more economical cars will be reversed.

This will give a shot in the arm to the steel industry and to the manufacturers of cars.

The importation of small and economical foreign cars will slacken to a mere dribble.

Domestic economy will skyrocket.

Workers, receiving boosted minimum wages, will rush to buy greater and greater quantities of gasoline.

Food prices will continue to advance, but this will be balanced off by higher wages, enabling more people to buy more gas, to oil the wheels of progress.

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... Safety Valve ...

ANSWERS MISS STEINBRUCH

I say regardless of methods of hiring, favoritism or what not if we can get more companies in here and bring the supply of jobs anywhere near the demand, much of what Miss Steinbruch criticizes will disappear. Meanwhile, it seems this is the time for action by everybody and less talk.

Diane Gets Letter And Picture From Nixon

Ten-year old Diane Davis, fifth grade student at Dallas Borough, received not only a letter from defeated candidate Richard Nixon, but a picture of the former vice president, in response to a letter in which she expressed her disappointment at the outcome of the election, from the point of view of a small girl. "If I had been old enough," she wrote, "I would have voted for you."

Diane is daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Carleton Davis, Machell Avenue. She took her letter from Mr. Nixon, with enclosed photograph, to school, to share with her classmates.

Drawn For Jury Duty

Drawn among 160 Luzerne County residents for jury service in the March session of the Court of Common Pleas are six Back Mountain residents.

For the March 13 term are: John Baur, Shavertown; Mrs. Alyce Kasabro, Franklin Township; and Mrs. Edna Tait, Trucksville.

March 20: Stella Lewis and Mrs. Mary Lipp, Dallas RD 3; Jane Ruggles, Dallas, RD4.

The world's only international park is Glacier-Waterton, joining across the U. S.-Canada border, in northwestern Montana.

SUCCESSFUL INVESTING ...

Investment Advisor and Analyst

Q. We are a little worried about the market. We own small amounts of A. T. & T., General Motors, U. S. Steel, Eastman Kodak and Scott Paper. There have been some shake-outs in the market and we wonder if it would make sense to sell most of what we have and hold the cash to buy back later.—M. B.

A. Minor fluctuations in the market worry some investors, maybe because they fall into a habit of calculating what their stock is worth day by day. Investing calls for both alertness and patience. You have to be alert to avoid holding indefinitely the stock of a company that was once on the up-grade, but has begun to go downhill. You have to be patient to get the full investment values out of stock of a company that is going uphill, but not necessarily steadily or at an even rate. In the case of the stocks you own, you have been well advised.

Q. Aren't most companies growing, actually, with the steady increase in population and in the gross national product? —J. J. P.

A. Growth of the country is reflected, in part, in growth of individual companies, but the point about so-called growth companies is that they are growing faster than their competitors. One measure is the rate of growth of annual net earnings. Take a group of companies in roughly the same field, measure the growth in annual earnings over a period of five or ten years and you will come up with a definite leader in the field. Anything like an average 10 to 15 per cent growth over 5 to 10 years is a mark of vigor.

Editor's note: Questions on investment may be addressed to the author of this column in care of this newspaper. Those of general interest will be answered in this column. It will be understood that no questions can be answered by mail.

35 RECEIVE AWARDS AT BLUE-GOLD DINNER

Presentation of awards highlighted the Blue and Gold dinner held by Pack 281 of Dallas Methodist church last Wednesday evening.

Awards were made by Wilson J. Maury, Cubmaster, as follows: Wolfe, gold and silver arrow—Thomas Balutis, Bruce Young, James Miller, David Dobson, Scott Saffian; Wolf, gold arrow—Scott Lefko; silver arrow—Fred Parry; Bear—Tim LaBar, Fred Parry; Bear, gold and silver arrow—Caddie LaBar, Jr.; Bear, gold arrow—Thomas Bottom; Bear, silver arrow—David Fitch, Garry Garris; Lion—Scott Blase, Damon Young, Roger Maury, Bill Kingsbury (these four advanced to the Webelo Den and received Scout Handbooks and Webelo Den patches); Lion, gold arrow—Damon Young.

One year pin—Allan Haycock, Robert Snyder, Robert Katyl, Thomas Bottoms, Donald Chamberlain, William Yarnal, Tim LaBar; Two year pin—Chucky Garris, Carl Remely.

Fiftieth Anniversary awards went to Damon Young, Scott Lefko, Bruce Young, Scott Saffian and David Fitch.

Graduated to Boy Scouts and receiving Webelo Badge and Three Year Pin were: Joseph Goode, Jr.; Eric Mayer; Robert Kelley. These boys attached the President Eisenhower Ribbon Award to the Pack flag.

Investiture was held by Scoutmaster Bruce Davies, assisted by Bruce Davies, Jr., Donald Bulford, Jr. and Arthur Miller, Jr.

A one year Den Mother service pin and appreciation award was presented to Mrs. John Churry by her son Craig Churry.

J. Warren Yarnal was toastmaster for the affair.

Rev. Russell Lawry, pastor, gave the Invocation.

Opening was held by Mrs. John Churry, Den Mother for Den #2; closing was by Mr. Joseph Goode, leader of the Webelo Den.

Mrs. Robert Block was song-leader for the evening with Mrs. Arthur Miller acting as choirleader.

Families of all the boys receiving awards were present at the dinner. Attending with their families also were: Douglas Bulford, John Cathral, Michael Vitale, Drew Bittenbender, Robert Hale, Jr., Charles LeBerge, Jerry Richards, Jr., Charles Baker, Richard Whitlock, John Souder, Allen Brown, George Block and the family of Rev. Russell Lawry.

Wins Award For Column At Virginia Convention

Barbara Harding, who has been writing a column for the Herndon-Chantilly Times for the past year, won second place in competition with Virginia news-writers. The award was presented January 23 at a convention in Roanoke. The column was one of three submitted in her behalf by her editor, without her knowledge.

Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks, Pioneer Avenue, was accompanied on her weekend to the convention by her husband, R. Marti Harding. Mrs. Harding not only writes a weekly column, but teaches kindergarten and ballet dancing in Herndon, Virginia.

The world's only international park is Glacier-Waterton, joining across the U. S.-Canada border, in northwestern Montana.

ONLY YESTERDAY

Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO:
Kunkle Community Center was host at a two-day Farmers Institute program staged by State College and Luzerne County Agricultural Extension.

Ira Brown, son of John Brown of Noxen, is improving slowly after a seizure of blood poisoning in the arm. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kunkle have received a present of a package of Columbia River smelts from Kelo, Washington.

The Meridians defeated the Olympics 34 to 22. Dobby, Fortner, Woolbert, Dorsett, Austin and Miller comprised the home team.

Monroe Township school board, Charles Clark, Lawrence Hilbert, Gale Clark, Harry Bigelow, and Elmer Crispell, saw plans for a new high school at Beaumont realized as 400 residents gathered January 30 for dedication of the building. G. A. Robinson, supervising principal, was host to the gathering. That same week, the Beaumont town team beat Tunkhannock Hose Co., and Beaumont high school defeated Noxen.

Twenty-one States in the Union are suffering the after effects of widespread drought. Misery is being relieved as far as possible by the Red Cross. In many areas, game is gone because of lack of food and because desperate landowners are shooting remaining animals for food.

IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO:
The John Crispells, Shavertown, had their first great-grandchild as a Valentine present on the eve of celebration of their 57th anniversary.

A band concert to raise funds for uniforming of the Dallas Borough High School band, netted \$230, not enough, but a good head start.

Sam Brace, football star of Dallas Borough high school, has been called up in the current draft.

Four carloads of surplus apples from this area are being shipped from Carverton and Lehman to the Surplus Commodities.

Hobart Henson, Shavertown, has been transferred to USS New York, the same ship on which his father, the late Grady Henson, served 23 years ago.

Defense courses at Lehman and Dallas Township, are attracting 70 young men. New machinery is being installed.

Mrs. Helen Ross, 49, formerly of Idetown, died after a long illness.

Mrs. Donald Harris, Shavertown, lost an uncle, William Pintard of New Jersey, in the Pennsylvania Railroad wreck last week.

Professor Jay Young will talk to Dallas Borough PTA on "What to do in event of an atomic attack."

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Looking at T-V

With GEORGE A. and EDITH ANN BURKE

Television Ratings are like stock prices when they start going down they seem to continue in a decline. Perry Mason's ratings have been sliding downward lately. The trouble is coming from "The Roaring Twenties." Up to this year Perry Mason has been able to withstand any competition. Early this Fall it looked as though "The Roaring Twenties" wouldn't be able to make an impression but as the weeks went by the show caught on and for the first time Perry's ratings began to show the effect.

Dorothy Provine is the feminine star of "The Roaring Twenties." She is a graduate of the University of Washington, where she starred in 35 dramatic production in the four years of college.

While in college she had her own local TV show and during the summer vacation she played in musicals.

Following graduation, Dorothy left for Hollywood and 15 months later she appeared in 31 TV shows and appeared in several movies including "The Bonnie Parker Story," in which she had a starring role. She also co-starred with the late Lou Costello in "Secret Bride of Candy Rock."

She was placed under contract with Warner Bros. in April of 1959 and assigned to the co-starring role with Roger Moore in "The Alaskans."

Dorothy says she really enjoys her dancing singing role in the "Roaring Twenties." Her co-stars are Rex Reason and Donald May.

Astaire Time—Fred Astaire will make what he has indicated will be his final TV appearance as a dancer when "Astaire Time" is repeated in color over NBC-TV Monday, February 20 (8:30-9:30 p. m. EST).

Astaire has made three specials and each one has been repeated once again under the same sponsorship.

"Astaire Time" opens with a special arrangement of Tchaikovsky's "Romeo and Juliet Overture" and closes with a medley of ten songs Astaire made famous.

Read Morgan who portrays a rugged cavalry sergeant on the television show "The Deputy" with Henry Fonda is six-foot-four. Meeting him for lunch you'd expect him to order a huge steak, but it turns out that he is a "vegetarian."

According to his own words he lives by a blender.

"I toss in some vegetables or fruit and satisfy my hunger in this way. There's nothing like raw goat's milk, honey, sunflower, sesame and our wonderful fresh vegetables we get here out on the Coast."

"We have what are called 'Health Stores.' A number of farmers in California grow produce especially for them. In other words, there are no sprays or chemicals used to hurry the growth of these vegetables."

"When I entertain, I don't enforce my diet on my guests. They have a regulation meal, poor things!"

Morgan was born in Chicago. Served two years active duty with the U. S. Air Force in Japan, Korea and Formosa. After the war he headed for New York where he got a minor role in "Lil Abner." His first big break came with a part in a Steel Hour television drama. After receiving his pay check which was a large one, he decided that he would head for the West Coast where most of the TV dramas are produced. It was frugal pickings for a while but finally the assignments started coming. He played in "State Trooper," "Wagon Train," "Laramie," "M Squad" and GE Theatre.

A hundred applicants were interviewed for the "Deputy" show but when he walked through the door and clinched it with a bone-crushing handshake the role was his.

In Exercise Snow Tiger

1st Cav. Div., Korea (AHTNC)—Army PFC Johnson C. Miers, Jr., whose parents live in Shavertown, recently participated with the 1st Cavalry Division's 8th Engineer Battalion in Operation Snow Tiger II, a command post exercise in Korea.

Snow Tiger was planned to test procedures which would be used in employment of nuclear weapons under cold weather conditions, fighting in darkness, snow, high winds, and sub-zero temperatures.

The exercise featured an offensive drive against a heavily entrenched, simulated enemy force.

Miers, 19, an engineer equipment repairman in the battalion's Headquarters Company, entered the Army in August 1959 and received basic combat training at Fort Dix, N. J. He arrived overseas in January 1960.

He is a 1959 graduate of Westmoreland High School.

In The Mediterranean

Norfolk (RHTNC)—Richard G. Newell, fireman, USN, Park Street, Harveys Lake, departed Norfolk, Va., February 2, aboard the destroyer USS Strong for a seven-month cruise in the Mediterranean.

The Strong, operating as a unit of the Sixth Fleet, is scheduled to visit France, Greece, Italy, Spain and other countries along the Red Sea, Arabian Sea and Persian Gulf.

If a feller doesn't keep moving, somebody will soon run over him.

Barnyard Notes

There is nothing more relaxing on a winter afternoon than a visit to Floyd Wells Barber Shop cozily perched above Gregory's Store in Trucksville.

Floyd operates what I would call an old-fashioned shop complete with checkerboard, outdated copies of Holiday, Life and the colorful publications of the Arizona Highways Commission.

Just through the doorway is his neighbouring woodworking shop where amid sawdust and busy hum of wood saws the genial barber fashions smoking stands and odd bits of furniture when customers are scarce. That isn't often now that he is semi-retired and keeps the shop open only on the last three days of the week.

What I like about his place is the customers you meet there on a winter afternoon and the leisurely pace of the conversation which ranges from the 1936 flood, to the shortest route to Florida. Sometimes there are profound explanations of why the Democrats won the last election and what's to be gained once we do put a rocket on the moon.

Nobody seems to be in a rush to reach the barber chair, get a quick haircut and get out. Everybody appears to be content to enjoy the company of his fellows and to indulge in unhurried conversation, recapturing the homespun atmosphere that in another day surrounded the potbelled stove in every country store and rural railway station.

RUGGED INDIVIDUALISM—NEW STYLE

I think you will like the following little story called to my attention sometime ago by Peter D. Clark. It appeared for the first time in the Rotary magazine and has now been inserted in the Congressional Record by Congressman Frank Bow from Ohio:

"It seems a young man lived with his parents in a public housing development. He attended public school, rode the free school bus, and participated in the federal lunch program.

"He entered the army and upon discharge kept his national service life insurance. He then enrolled in the state university, using his GI benefits. Upon graduation, he purchased a farm with an FHA loan, then obtained an RFC loan to go into business.

"He expanded his activities by buying a ranch with the aid of a GI loan and obtained emergency feed from the government. Later he put part of his land in the soil bank and the payments helped liquidate his debts. REA lines supplied electricity. The county agent showed him how to terrace the ranch, then the government paid part of the cost of a pond and stocked it with fish. The government also guaranteed him a sale for his farm products.

"His parents lived very comfortably on the ranch with their social security and old-age assistance checks.

"His children grew up, entered public schools, ate substantial lunches, rode free buses, used a public library, played in public parks and swam in public pools.

"He owned an automobile so he favored the federal-aid highway program.

"He signed a petition seeking federal assistance in developing an industrial project to help the economy of his area, and he was a leader in urging new federal buildings and public projects.

"Then, one day, he wrote to his congressman and said: 'I wish to protest excessive government spending and high taxes. I believe in rugged individualism. I think people should stand on their own feet without expecting handouts. I am opposed to all socialistic trends and I demand a return to the principles of our Constitution.'

"Here we have a rather startling account of the varied areas of daily living which are touched by government. Surely it explains why the government dips so deeply into our pocketbooks."

From

Pillar To Post ...

by HIX

The ravens have been feeding me again. Last month it was a deer steak from Michael Traver's deep-freeze in Noxen. This week it was a frozen catfish from the Smith Pond, with a side helping of hothouse tomatoes and lettuce, a sprig of fresh green parsley and a snip of sage in full bloom.

This true confession takes into no account the sandwiches which I swipe from the editor's covered lunch basket on press day, good raven fare if there ever was any. Myra makes very tasty sandwiches, much better than the unappetizing variety I turn out myself. They have plenty of mayonnaise to float the cut-up bits of this and that, and they are sinfully nourishing, a great morale booster on a bleak winter day.

It was delightfully sunny on Saturday. The car, unleashed after visiting the garage to get its timing apparatus and its carburetor adjusted, was raring to go. It seemed a good time to take the Cease-town road and drop off for a minute at the Ziba Smith place, to see what was growing in the greenhouse.

Mrs. Smith had just taken down the Christmas scene, packing away the straw-thatched stable that had stood by the quiet little pool in the greenhouse until five minutes earlier. It smelled heavenly in there, warm and moist, and suggestive of early spring.

"What on earth is that?" I inquired, pointing to a leggy looking plant with a trunk almost as thick as that of a wisteria.

"That," replied Mrs. Smith, "is a tomato plant. It's eighteen months old, and it is still producing. See those ripe tomatoes hanging up near the roof?"

I saw the ripe tomatoes. They caused my mouth to water, but asking for a ripe tomato at this season of the year is equivalent to asking for the Hope