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## Acme Gets Face-Lifting

Dallas Acme Market is getting the new look. Folks who have been accustomed to finding baked goods along the side wall, will now find bread and pastry, backed up by mirrors, along the front, just as they come into the store. The fruits and vegetables have taken a long stride toward the front, and a much enlarged frozen foods display will take Dear Editor:

their place. The new meat counter has been in operation for about two weeks, higher and reprint display each Herbert Ward, manager, says the market is going to be really up to parisons. date when improvements are completed. There will be no interruption of service.

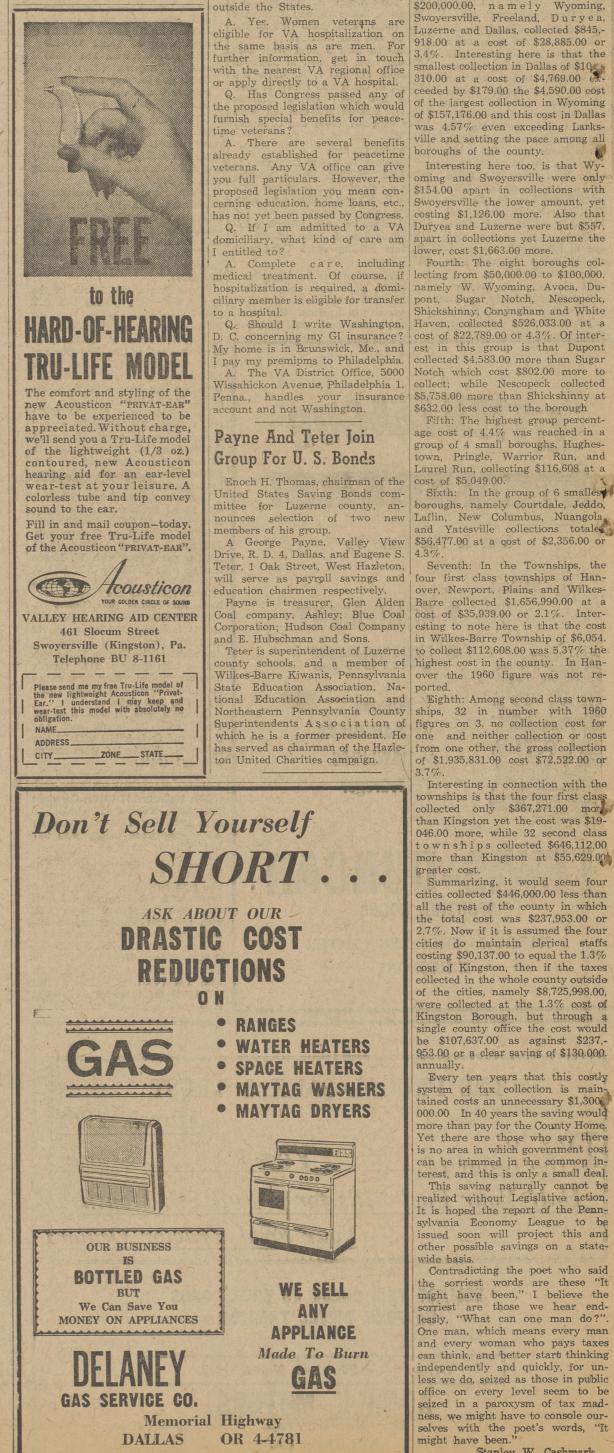
## **Brownies See Art**

121 of Trucksville visited the Art cost of which is not given in the ville, Ashley, Larksville and Exeter, Exhibition at the Little Gallery in report referred to. Wilkes-Barre. Brownies and guests However, to equal a 1% cost these \$1,192,838.00 at a cost of \$35,708.00 making the trip were Susan and 4 cities would have to maintain or 3%.

Pattiann Nagle, Penny Metz, Ann \$65,297.00; or to equal the cost of with these larger boroughs, is that Hiller, Sally Cyphers, Emily Peters, 1.3% in the largest Borough of of the first 3, West Pittston's collec-Patty Corbett, Beth Siner, Elaine Kingston their clearical staffs would tion of \$355,738.00 cost \$7,860.00 Friedman, Peggy Futch, Jeanette have to cost an additional \$90,137.00 while that of Forty Fort \$377,439.00 Samuels, Jo Haynes, Ann, Sam, and John Ridall. V. A. Questions

Girls were escorted by Mrs. Walter Marz, Bill Siner, Mrs. John Ridall and Mrs. Elmer Nagle.

woman to get into a VA hospital as boroughs. Mrs. Ridall explained the various technigues.



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## **Tax Collection Savings Could Pay For County Home In Forty Years**

SAFETY VALVE

## By STANLEY W. CASHMARK

over and above the \$17,500.00 cost A study of the cost of Tax Col- of 4 collectors.

lection in Luzerne County based, Second: Taking the Boroughs, year for which all reports are avail- at a cost of \$16,893.00 or 1.3%, the able reveals some interesting com- best performance among all the boroughs.

First: The four cities of Wilkes- Three boroughs, Forty Fort, West Barre, Hazleton, Pittston and Nanti- Pittston and Plymouth, collected coke, where the city maintains a tax \$1,105,584.00 at a cost of \$22,312.00 collection office, collected a total of or 2%. They are in the \$300,000.00 \$8,279,789.00 with compensation to \$400,000.00 bracket. In the \$200,paid to 4 collectors totalling \$17,- 000.00 to \$300,000.00 bracket, Thursday, March 2, Brownie Troop 500.00, plus some clerical help the boroughs of W. Hazleton, Edwards-

| collected only slightly more or

Kathleen Marz, Maureen Dillon, clerical staffs costing an additional Interesting to note in connection cost \$7,150.00. Looking at the second five, the next to lowest collection in Larksville of \$223,882.00 cost by far the most \$9,354.00 or 4.17% and Q. Is there any chance for a was the top cost among these 8

> a patient? I'm a World War II Third: In the smaller boroughs the veteran but was never stationed six collecting from \$100,000.00 to \$200,000.00, namely Wyoming, A. Yes. Women veterans are Swoyersville, Freeland, Duryea, Q. Has Congress passed any of ceeded by \$179.00 the \$4,590.00 cost was 4.57% even exceeding Larks-

Shickshinny, Conyngham and White A. The VA District Office, 5000 Notch which cost \$802.00 more to

> Fifth: The highest group percentage cost of 4.4% was reached in a group of 4 small boroughs, Hughestown, Pringle, Warrior Run, and

and Yatesville collections totale

over, Newport, Plains and Wilkesin Wilkes-Barre Township of \$6,054. Teter is superintendent of Luzerne to collect \$112,608.00 was 5.37% the of \$1,935,831.00 cost \$72,522.00 or Interesting in connection with the townships is that the four first class collected only \$367,271.00 more than Kingston yet the cost was \$19-046.00 more, while 32 second class townships collected \$646,112.00 more than Kingston at \$55,629.00 greater cost. Summarizing, it would seem four cities collected \$446,000.00 less than all the rest of the county in which the total cost was \$237,953.00 or 2.7%. Now if it is assumed the four cities do maintain clerical staffs costing \$90,137.00 to equal the 1.3% cost of Kingston, then if the taxes collected in the whole county outside of the cities, namely \$8,725,998.00, were collected at the 1.3% cost of Kingston Borough, but through a single county office the cost would be \$107,637.00 as against \$237,-953.00 or a clear saving of \$130.000. annually Every ten years that this costly system of tax collection is maintained costs an unnecessary \$1,300 000.00 In 40 years the saving would more than pay for the County Home. Yet there are those who say there is no area in which government cost can be trimmed in the common interest, and this is only a small deal. This saving naturally cannot be realized without Legislative action. It is hoped the report of the Pennsylvania Economy League to be issued soon will project this and other possible savings on a statewide basis. Contradicting the poet who said the sorriest words are these "It might have been," I believe the sorriest are those we hear endlessly, "What can one man do?". One man, which means every man and every woman who pays taxes can think, and better start thinking independently and quickly, for unless we do, seized as those in public office on every level seem to be seized in a paroxysm of tax madness, we might have to console ourselves with the poet's words, "It might have been." Stanley W. Cashmark

furnish special benefits for peace- of \$157,176.00 and this cost in Dallas A. There are several benefits ville and setting the pace among all already established for peacetime boroughs of the county. veterans. Any VA office can give Interesting here too, is that Wyyou full particulars. However, the oming and Swoyersville were only proposed legislation you mean con- \$154.00 apart in collections with cerning education, home loans, etc., Swoyersville the lower amount, yet has not yet been passed by Congress. costing \$1,126.00 more. Also that Q. If I am admitted to a VA Duryea and Luzerne were but \$557. domiciliary, what kind of care am apart in collections yet Luzerne the lower, cost \$1,663.00 more. A. Complete care, including Fourth: The eight boroughs colmedical treatment. Of course, if lecting from \$50,000.00 to \$100,000.

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