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**100 Years Ago This Week...in
THE CIVIL WAR**
(Events exactly 100 years ago this week in the Civil War—told in the language and style of today.)

**Victoria Terms Britain
"Neutral" in Rebellion**

**Forbids Aid To
Either Side**

LONDON—May 13—Queen Victoria today told the world that England would remain neutral in the war between the states in America.
Noting "certain hostilities between the government of the United States of America and certain states styling themselves as the Confederate States of America," the Queen proclaimed a "royal determination to maintain a strict and impartial neutrality in the contest between the contending parties."



QUEEN VICTORIA, who has declared Great Britain neutral in the war between the states of North America.

Her majesty's decision was arrived at with full agreement of Prince Albert, her consort, according to court circles.
THE FAR-REACHING decision capped a month of international intrigue in which Federal envoys to the court of the Queen sought to steer Britain clear of any direct aid to the rebelling Confederate forces.
Secretary of State Seward earlier had given Lord John Russell, secretary of state for Great Britain, a thinly-disguised protest over his meeting with representatives of the Confederate government.
In this message, Seward advised Britain that privateers would be treated as pirates and that suppliers of aid to the privateers would, in effect, be treated as accomplices of the pirates—a clear warning to Britain to steer clear of the infant Confederate Navy.

Victoria specifically outlawed the enlistment of subjects of the crown in forces of either side of the North American controversy. Subjects of the Queen also were forbidden to supply munitions; to convey men or arms to either side in the war, or to in any other way aid either force.

Big Riot in St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—May 10—At least 20 persons were killed today, and several more gravely wounded, when Union troops opened fire on a mob in the downtown area of this city.
The troops were under command of Capt. Nathaniel Lyon, assigned in February as officer-in-charge of the St. Louis arsenal.
Lyon's forces raided a nearby encampment of state militia, forced the militiamen to surrender, and were parading them through the streets of downtown St. Louis when onlookers began throwing rocks.
The stones were met by gunfire and the 20 fell under the hail of Union bullets.
St. Louis is a troubled city today. Missouri Gov. Claiborne Jackson has branded President Lincoln's call last week for troops as "unconstitutional" and "revolutionary." The southern sympathies of the state militia—the group Capt. Lyon captured—are frequently and loudly proclaimed.

**Salmon Stocked
At Lake Winola**

Also Introduced In Four Other Lakes
A total of 421,000 fry and fingerling Kokanee Salmon were stocked in five lakes in the Commonwealth, according to an announcement made by Pennsylvania Fish Commission.
The new species were introduced on an experimental basis in Lake Winola, Wyoming county, as well as four other lakes. These waters represent the most favorable habitat for Kokanee stocking and spawning. Like the rainbow trout, which they resemble somewhat, the Kokanee require cool waters to thrive.
The Kokanee, a red salmon originally found in Northwestern North America, Alaska and Japan, has been introduced into various states in the West and East, including New York. They live and reproduce in fresh water lakes and mature after three years. At maturity they average about 12 inches in length and weigh about one pound.
The Kokanee was chosen for in-

roduction by the Commission because research seems to indicate that they will be able to live and reproduce in selected waters of the Commonwealth. They are highly prolific in waters suited to their spawning but annual planting would be economical and possible if spawning stocks can be established.
Kokanee are proven vigorous game fish and their flesh provides excellent eating. "If the stocking proves a success it will be a boon for the fisherman," the Commission said.

Safety Valve

IT WAS A PLEASURE
My dear Mr. Risley—
On behalf of the members of the Board of the Old Ladies Home, I wish to express to you our deep appreciation of the courtesy you extend to us in giving us such good publicity for our special occasions throughout the year.
The time you help us most of all is each November when we hold our Annual Donation Day. The response is always very gratifying — for which we offer our grateful thanks.
Yours very sincerely
Marion Payne
(Mrs. Bruce Payne)

**ONLY
YESTERDAY**

Ten and Twenty Years Ago
In The Dallas Post

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO:

Burgess J. H. Anderson issued the proclamation for Mothers Day.
Rural League was still bedevilled by bad weather. East Dallas was the only team that got its feet off the ground, taking Shavertown. Dallas Borough was still unable to find a suitable playing field.
Five miles of hard surface between Tunkhannock and Eatonville was promised for the coming year, the only Wyoming County road program for this side of the Susquehanna.
Seldon S. Gay, 50, Center Moreland, died after a long illness.

Thirty-nine carpenters were working on the new roller-coaster at Harveys Lake picnic grounds, the first of its kind in Northeastern Pennsylvania. The old wooden fence surrounding the grounds was being replaced with high cyclone fencing.
Dallas Borough Council voted to purchase from Jim Beseker a ton and a half Ford dump-truck for use in street maintenance.
Dallas School Board received a communication from Dallas Township School, offering use of the athletic field for school sports.
George Bowen was reelected principal of Dallas Schools.
Luzerne County legislators were backing a bill which would forbid publication of law-breakers' names in a newspaper until convicted of a crime. They held that many criminals were apprehended by publication of pictures which alerted the public.

William Evans, of Lawn Street, Shavertown, was host to his parents at an open house in recognition of 63 years of marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. Evans were pioneer residents of Ashley.
You could buy P&G soap, ten bars for 33 cents. And flour was 59 cents for a 24 1/2 pound sack.
"Green Pastures" was a sensation in New York. Rev. Charles Frick brought a report of the unique presentation to his congregation at Huntsville Christian Church.
Robert Birth, 77, Sweet Valley, was buried in Bloomingdale Cemetery.
Mrs. Sarah Taylor, 77, died of bronchitis at her home in Lehman.

Dog owners got the customary annual warning about getting dog licenses.
IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO:
Shavertown Methodist Church parsonage was destroyed by fire. It had very little insurance. The congregation planned to build a new parsonage, but in the face of a \$16,000 debt still owing on the church edifice. On the building committee these members were asked to serve: Rev. Russell J. May; Ross Williams, and G. R. Downer, Warner Cook, D. H. Fado, Edwin Gurnsey, Granville Sowden, and W. Boyes, and Mrs. Stephen Johnson, secretary.
Charles Pettibone, 86, skilled cabinet-maker of Huntsville, was stricken with a fatal heart attack, dying instantly.

Ten Dallas boys from 10 to 14 years old, broke sixty windows in Edith Reynolds' home on the Heights. Taken before squire Herbert Williams of Trucksville, they were fined, and their parents warned.
Dallas Post Office expected to be up-ranked to second-class rating because of increased business, with employees going under civil service and the Post Master's salary increased to \$2,400.

Floyd Chamberlain was the subject of the weekly Know Your Neighbor column, with note made of his having been born in a log cabin, sure-fire guarantee of success in the world of politics.
Rev. Robert Sutton, ordained only a month earlier, was invited to the pastorate of Springvale Union Church, Norwick.
The Dallas Post ran an editorial pointing out the need for traffic control where five streets intersected. It pointed out also the traffic situation Sunday morning at intersection of Carverton Road with the highway, and asked for uniform regulation of traffic for Kingston Township and Dallas Borough, together with installation of lights.
Clark D. Bishop, carpenter-foreman for the Noxen Tannery, died at 79.
David Blocksage, printer for 56 years was considering leaving Dallas. Brought up in the old school which set type by hand, "Davie" was paid 75 cents for his first week on the old weekly, the Wilkes-Barre Times. For years he set type and composed for the Dallas Post.

AND 10 YEARS AGO:
Raymon Hedden was given the contract for construction of the addition to Lehman School, Lehman Building Authority accepted the offer of Ira Haupt and Co. Municipal Bonding Department. General construction was set at \$155,956; plumbing at \$43,460.
Dallas Post Office was still looking for a new location. Quarters on Main Street had been definitely outgrown.
A prefabricated house with four rooms and bath was put together in a day and a half on Memorial Highway, for use of Lewith and Freeman as an office and demonstration unit.
Mrs. Mabel A. Newcomb, 41, died at her home on Huntsville Road after

Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer — D. A. Waters

Natives and residents of the Keystone State have been in the front rank of those contributing to the knowledge, comfort, and happiness of the nation, and in some cases, of the entire world.

William H. McGuffey, born in 1800 out in Washington-County, was a teacher at 13, a college professor and president, founder of a school system, all out in Ohio, but better known as the compiler of "The McGuffey Eclectic Readers." These were standard for about a century and sold about 125 million copies in thirty-five states.

Benjamin Franklin, resident but not a native, was a writer, publisher, scientist in electricity and heating, philosopher, statesman, founder of the first circulating library in America, and generally active in civic affairs. With Dr. Thomas Bond he was a founder of the first chartered hospital in the U.S.

Other prominent scientists lived in the state. John Bartram of Philadelphia had the first botanic garden in the U.S. Edward Acheson, of Washington County, invented carborundum and various other products of the electric furnace. William Darlington of West Chester was a physician, congressman, long time bank president, and a noted botanist. Joseph Priestly, a Unitarian theologian, is better known as discoverer of Oxygen. His laboratory and home in Northumberland are now a museum. David Rittenhouse of Montgomery County made the first telescope in U.S. and observed the transit of Venus in 1769.

In more material things David O. Saylor made the first Portland cement at Copley and introduced the rotary kiln process of manufacture which has made Lehigh Valley leader of the industry. Christopher Sholes, a printer of Danville, invented a typewriter. Samuel Phillips, of Easton, a gunsmith, made the first split-bamboo fishing rod.

And the oldest golf course in continuous use in the U.S. was opened out in Clarion County in 1887. The first successful use of a three-wire electric lighting system was made in a hotel in Sunbury under the supervision of Thomas A. Edison.

The first successful hill-climbing automobiles were invented by Charles E. Duryea and tested out by him on Mount Penn at Reading. A borough in upper Wyoming Valley is named for him.
George Westinghouse, of Allegheny, developed AC transmission of electrical current and invented some four hundred devices. The best known at first was the railroad air brake which made long and heavy trains possible, all controlled by compressed air from the engine. He founded the industry which bears his name.
Joshua Humphrey of Haverford developed the frigate "Constitution" well known in naval annals and subject of the poem "Old Ironsides," which made the first Oliver Wendell Holmes famous.

John B. McCormick, of Indiana County, worked on the water wheel of a sawmill and eventually designed the first modern mixed-flow type of water turbine. John A. Roebling, of Butler County, invented steel wire rope and designed the Brooklyn Bridge. His son, Washington Roebling, built it.
Pennsylvania was the breadbasket of the early colonies, the southeastern plains being the best land under settlement. Some of the farms, especially those of the Pennsylvania Dutch, are still productive after over two hundred years, sometimes in the same family. Those farmers had know-how from experience. John Beale Bordley, of Chester County, conducted numerous experiments in crop rotation and soil fertility. He wrote Rotation of Crops and Husbandry and Rural Affairs. In the same county, Joseph Rothrock pioneered in forest fire control, reforestation, and scientific forestry, long before Gifford Pinchot made a political issue of it.

For a century after Jesse Fell burned anthracite in an open grate without forced draft at Wilkes-Barre in 1808, it was considered the most desirable fuel for home heating. Some people think it is yet. This founded a big industry in mining, transporting, and selling the fuel, and in the manufacture and installation of devices to burn it. Elsewhere in the State bituminous coal is mined and stripped, being the foundation for the soft coal industries and iron and steel industries, which would require more space for discussion than here available.

"The Age of Oil," in which the life of all mankind, almost, has been revolutionized, was inaugurated out in Crawford County near Titusville Aug. 27, 1859. Indians had skimmed surface oil from "Oil Creek" before the white man's time. It was made into patent medicines and a local sawmill used it as a lubricant. Scientists decided it could be made into a lubricant and fuel. A Connecticut group sent Edwin L. Drake, not a scientist, to Titusville. Digging in the usual manner of making a well for water proved futile as the sides caved in. He enlisted the aid of Billy Smith, who had drilled for salt, and had tools made in Smith's blacksmith shop. After drilling sixty-nine feet, during which time local people had poked fun at the drillers, they struck a crevice and stopped work, it being Saturday night. On Sunday afternoon Smith and his son walked out to the well and were amazed to see a dark fluid floating near the top of the pipe, and still rising. The petroleum industry was born.

The first "Oil Exchange" was located nearby later. Refineries were built at various points. The first oil pipeline, five miles long, was opened in 1865 in Venango County. Natural gas, which usually is found near oil, was soon found. One well in Westmoreland county, one of the world's most productive, caught fire in 1881 and burned for years with a tremendous roar and brilliance.
But we all live differently since.

**Highway Deaths Decline,
Fantastic Claims Rise**

Philadelphia, April 6 — Pennsylvania motor vehicles rolled 42, 068, 550,000 miles over the Commonwealth's highways in 1960, but the death rate of 3.8 per 100 million miles was well under the national record low average of 5.3. While the state's 4,515,801 registered vehicles reeled off space age distances, automobile insurance under-writers hoped that the fantastic claims rate would take a commensurate downward direction. During the late 1950's the country's insurance companies were paying over \$7 billions for deaths, injuries, lost earnings and mechanical repairs resulting from approximately 12 million accidents per year. In 1960 the total ran close to 7 1/2 billions.
In nothing the decrease in last year's mortality and injury totals, leading actuaries expressed the wish that total claims would also decline. In Pennsylvania they estimated that, under the impact of spiraling medical and repairs costs, boosted in some areas by overly generous juries and the excessive claim, the carriers paid out more than \$500,000,000 of the country's traffic accident bill. This is no improvement over '59.

PRESENT AND PAST

A night watchman heard noises in the dark warehouse. Drawing his revolver, he went to the door and called:
"Come out with your hands up, so I can see who you are. If you don't, I'll come in and see who you were."

a long illness. Mary Lou Gilligan became the bride of Norman E. Stair.

Outlet Free Methodists gave an open house for their new pastor, Rev. James Payne, recently moved from Bowman's Creek.

Warrior's Wayside Duck Farm was the subject of a feature story, garnished with pictures of fuzzy little ducks in cartons ready for shipment, fuzzy little ducks in brooders, and fuzzy little ducks emerging from the shell.
George W. Siglin, 58, employee at Noxen Tannery for over thirty years, died at Local Hospital.
Mrs. Lois Houck, Shavertown, daughter of pre-Revolutionary ancestors died, suffering from a heart condition.

**General Information Concerning
Lake-Lehman Building Program**

Lake-Lehman Jointure Agreement was entered into July 7, 1958. All Boards which were a part of this jointure, at a regular meeting of June, 1958, signed the agreement.
The reason for formation of this jointure was to comply with the County Plan and thus make Lake-Lehman eligible for supplemental appropriations which amount to between \$20,000 and \$21,000 a year to the districts. One of the conditions on which Lake-Lehman received its supplemental appropriation for 1958-59 was based upon a report to the State that the Joint School Board was going to start immediately on plans to build a joint high school so that it would meet State requirements for elementary schools. Again in 1959-60 the jointure report indicated it had conferred with the Department in regard to the building program and was ready to engage an architect.
April 6, 1959, the State Department acknowledged receipt of PIBB-40a for Project No. 781 and No. 802. It was not until August, 1959, that the Department mentioned the old Project No. 324 that had been filed by Lake-Noxon.
By passing a resolution to waive claim for immediate State Reimbursement on Projects 781, 802, in June of 1959, the Board was able to have Cortez Fisk from the Department come to the area and examine the need for school buildings.
A letter dated July 31, 1959, is on file which stated that the Department was in full agreement that Lake - Lehman needed additional facilities, but in order to enlarge the present high school it would be necessary to take care of elementary facilities and this would call for a new elementary school at Lehman.
September 10, 1959, Lake-Lehman Area School Board petitioned the Department of Public Instruction to re-assign Project No. 324 of Lake-Noxon to the Lake-Lehman Area Joint-Board. The Department acknowledged this request and required new PIBB-40a's for the three projects known as 781, 802 and 324, September 16, 1959.

From the end of September, 1959, until Spring of 1960, the Joint Board discussed the program. Lester Squier and Robert Belles worked with the Department in developing Room Schedules. The first Room Schedules were developed December 18, 1959, calling for additions and alterations to the present Lehman High School, the building of a new elementary school, and remodeling the Lake School.
On February 9, 1960, the Board took action to hire Roushey, Smith and Uhlmann as architects and they immediately started making plans as approved by the State Department.
By the early part of May some preliminary drawings had been presented to the Department and after requested changes had been made, the architects' estimate on construction exceeded original estimates. This was primarily because of the State Requirements of building a new elementary school at Lehman and facilities needed on the Lehman High School Building.
From May until September 22 discussions were held with the Department in regard to the best plan for meeting building needs. August 28, 1960, Dr. Tressler, Director of School

Buildings Bureau, sent a letter stating that they would approve a new high school on a new location under Project 324, providing the Lake High School Building and the Lehman High School Building were altered to handle elementary grades.
Roushey, Smith and Uhlmann were immediately directed to prepare new preliminary building plans.
In the meantime members of the Building Committee, along with other members of the Board, visited new school buildings to get ideas of facilities and costs. August 17, 1960, Room Schedules were again revised with final revision September 26, 1960.

At the present time approvals from the Department are as follows:
Cost Estimate Approvals by Ralph C. Swan, Deputy Superintendent:
a. December 14, 1960—Project 324—Cost \$1,715,300
b. December 16, 1960—Project 781—Cost \$181,720
c. December 16, 1960—Project 802—Cost \$102,980
Final Approval by Harry W. Stone, Division of Architectural Service:
a. December 14, 1960—Well Drilling on Project 324
Preliminary Approval by Harry W. Stone for General Construction:
a. December 14, 1960—Project 324

h. December 16, 1960—Project 781 c. December 16, 1960—Project 802
The rated pupil capacity of the new high school under Project 324 is 887 students. Pupil cost is \$1,759. Square foot cost is \$17.34.
November, 1960, the Department put out a bulletin entitled, "Johnny Gets a School House" showing that the average per pupil cost for junior-high schools in 1959 was \$1,940.00. The Department said the cost for 1960 had risen to \$2,200. The cost for Junior high school in 1959 was \$2,169 per pupil and for senior high school \$2,706.
When preliminary drawings were shown to the architectural division of the Department, they commented upon the small amount of corridor space and lobby facilities; "You have a very compact school building. We hope you have eliminated all facilities that will reduce the efficiency of your school program."
As of this date bids have been let for the drilling of a well and digging of test holes for the main part of the building. Bids are out for the test holes under the heavy part of the building.
Preliminary information has been secured and discussed with the committee relative to heating system, light fixtures, and fixed furniture. Detailed plans for shop and home-making departments will shortly be available.
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