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ONLY YESTERDAY

Ten and Twenty Years Ago in The Dallas Post

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO:

A four year old West Dallas child strayed onto the Lehigh Valley tracks, and, startled by her mother's frantic call, stumbled and fell between the tracks just as a work car passed over her, leaving her completely uninjured. Beulah Grey, was stunned by her fall, and lay absolutely quiet when the work car unable to stop, hurtled over her. The Post-o-Graph company had a banner week, when Robert M. Scott had orders for fifty machines from Pittsburgh, an order augmented by another 100, and two days later another 100.

A Sunday baseball bill was passed by the State legislature.

A stretch of over eight miles of highway between Tunkhannock and Nicholson was employing 61 pieces of equipment in an effort to complete the Federal aid program before the deadline, September 1.

James W. Mackie of Shavertown was elected auditor of Luzerne Co. Gas and Electric.

State Game Farms reported a high rate of pheasant egg production. Curtis Anderson was named constable of Dallas Township by the court en banc.

Butter was 25 cents per pound; baked beans 2 cans for 10 cents; pink salmon, two tall cans 19 cents; sliced pineapple, large can 25 cents. Broadcloth shirts were \$1.00.

IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO:

Judith Hier, 8, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hier, Shavertown, was run down by a car as she dashed from behind a parked truck. Four passing motorists refused to take the badly injured child to Nesbitt Hospital because the blood might soil their upholstery.

Dallas firemen pondered an offer for purchase of the frame annex to Oneida Lodge for \$500. Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co. had been on the lookout for new quarters for some time.

Twenty area people were caught in a strict round-up of unlicensed dogs, and paid stiff fines.

A Hazelton firm got the contract for the new Harvey's Lake road.

Howell B. Rees was back again with the Post, by remote control, writing from the Bahamas.

Fred Keifer, after a long absence from the Post pages, was back again in a column on the cause of wars.

A unit of Bundles for Britain was organized here under direction of Mrs. Hayden Phillips.

Alex and John McCulloch and Ernest Culp were drafted into the service.

Tent caterpillars were on the increase.

Dallas Township increased millage by 5, bringing it to 33.

Congressman Flannery said he would work for a new Post Office for Dallas, one suitable for an expanding community.

Ruby Keiper became the bride of Daniel T. Morris.

Margaret Yop and Charles Pokich became man and wife at Center Moreland.

Ethel Harris was named Township valedictorian.

Five youths were accused of stealing farm implements in the Hunlock Creek area and selling them for junk.

AND 10 YEARS AGO:

The region had a white frost, but it did very little damage.

The pipeline owned by the Sun Oil Company was moved to make way for construction of the new Trucksville housing development. Several hundred additional feet of six-inch pipe were required.

David Kunkle, Westmoreland senior, won a scholarship to Wilkes.

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Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer—D. A. Waters

Occasionally a picture is published or exhibited to friends showing four generations in one family, and sometimes an obituary of an aged person will give details of many descendants. However there seems to be a definite lack of interest in genealogy in many people. It is an old saying that many a farmer knows more about the pedigree of his prize bull than he knows about his own ancestry, and certainly such lack of knowledge is not confined to farmers.

A classic example of large numbers of descendants is found in the Children of Israel. It is related in Genesis that Jacob and his descendants that went down into Egypt, including Joseph and his sons already there, numbered seventy persons, excluding wives not of the blood line of Jacob. Some four hundred years later a census was taken of males only, twenty years old and upward able to bear arms, as recorded in Numbers. This showed 603,550 men, exclusive of the entire tribe of Levi, and all women and minors, infirm, etc.

Pioneers in America suffered heavy loss of death in earlier years. In Virginia, after seventeen years of strenuous effort, the population was only about 1,200; Massachusetts had more than 16,000 after only thirteen years. By 1640 they had over 21,000 after which the tide turned and for a while more returned to England than came over, but very large families furnished enough people to spread westward. There were, and are, some very old families in Virginia, but the greater part of the present population in the whole country, tracing back the early ancestors, goes back to New England.

Genealogies of descendants of one pioneer, who came over early in the 1630's usually now run into five figures in consecutive numbers, with hundreds more whose places cannot be properly established. The problem is complicated by variation in spelling, some families having found as many as eighteen spellings, and some families have more. From adult pioneers to present day small children, usually covers about thirteen generations.

Since getting out of all public and organization offices, this writer has found time to do a lot of work on his own ancestry and that of his wife. It is a fascinating study, never ending, which so far has turned up over thirty ancestors, who came over in the early 1630's. Family lines show

many deacons, some preachers and teachers, a few dignitaries and others of some note, but mostly people of ordinary occupations.

Some families, not related to this writer, claim illustrious ancestors and prominent relatives through several generations. It also works, sometimes, in the opposite manner, showing generations of disreputable characters. Probably most of us were told in school about the infamous Jukes family, A prison sociologist, R. L. Dugdale, finding several members of the family in prison, made a study and found 709 of an estimated 1200 descendants. Of these, 140 had been imprisoned and 280 had been paupers, all together costing the state about \$1,308,000. This was many years ago, probably the figures would be higher now.

Now starting at the present youngster and looking backward, it is no trouble at all to see that we are all descended from many ancestors. Forgetting legal and technical questions and figures on a biological basis, we each had two parents, they each had two, and so on. If there was no intermarriage in close families, a child of today would have had about 4096 ancestors living in pioneer days, probably most of them living in foreign lands. And this doubles with every generation backward, so that we probably have millions of ancestors.

This writer has made no special study of the genetics involved, excepting longevity as shown by dates of birth and death, that being a field by itself. We all know of families where a particular physical characteristic such as a missing tooth, a crooked finger, etc. have been passed down. The same applies to red hair, eye color, etc. And when you start to think of mental characteristics, the field is unlimited.

This writer takes no stock in these mail-order family trees you can buy for two dollars with a coat of arms for a few more. He has traveled too many miles, searching wills and quit-claim deeds in courthouses, checking death certificates, reading books in libraries and historical societies, checking grave stones in cemeteries, and rummaging in dusty newspaper basements for obituaries, not to mention correspondence with people from Massachusetts to New Mexico, and records of government files at Washington, D.C., to look with any favor on ready made articles.

Local Girls To Graduate
 Among the forty-two student nurses who will graduate tonight from Geisinger Memorial Hospital Training School for Nurses are two Dallas girls, Lois Jean Vanderhoff and Barbara Alice Belsky. Exercises will be at Danville high school.

Capacity Crowd At Ross
 Ross Township elementary school welcomed a capacity crowd at its operetta last week. Principal Myron Moss reports good ticket receipts.

Janice Rinken Starts Final Year Of Training
 Janice Rinken, daughter of Mrs. Vivian Rinken, Idetown, student nurse at Mercy Hospital, Scranton, will receive her third stripe on Saturday, May 20, and start her Senior Year. She is now taking a three months course in the Psychology Department at Allentown State Hospital.

She spent the Mother's Day weekend with her mother and eight year old Debby. Her father, Alexander Rinken, died last October.

Spaghetti Chef



AL D'AMARIO

Men's Club of the Prince of Peace Church will serve a Spaghetti Dinner in the Parish House Saturday May 27th, 5 to 7:30 p.m. Men serving on committees are: Tickets; Edward Driesbach, chairman; Dr. Ben Marshall, at the door.

Cooks, bakers and salad makers; Al D'Amario, chairman; Paul Goddard, Donald Evans, Leroy Brown, William Wright, Ted Ruff, and Thomas Andrews.

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Ace Trumpeter



LARRY CARPENTER

Larry Carpenter, with the Lake Township Senior Band ever since being abruptly transferred at the age of eight from the junior band, and is now with the combined Lake-Lehman Band, will be honored May 25 for Meritorious Musicianship by Luzerne County Instrumental Band Directors Association.

This award was won a month ago at Wilkes College when he played Hayden's Trumpet Concerto, and took a two-hour written music examination which he passed with flying colors.

Selected for the Northeast District Band April 21 and 22, he was chosen for the All-State, Region 2. Sharon Coombs was also chosen, but a conflict in engagements forbade her appearance. John Millauskas, Lake-Lehman conductor, accompanied Larry to the State Band last Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

With interruptions in his childhood for bouts with rheumatic fever, Larry has played both piano and trumpet for eight years, taking private lessons in both from Alfred M. Camp, director of Dallas Junior High School Band.

When eight years old, after two weeks in the Lake Junior Band, he became trumpet soloist in the senior band, and when in the fifth grade, took and maintained first chair in the trumpet section.

His ambition is to continue with music as a career. He hopes some day to return to Lehman and prepare young musicians for the band which he confidently expects Mr. Millauskas still to direct.

Larry is foster son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sorber of Outlet, who are both intensely proud of his talent, and his industry.

Walter E. Booth, 59 Was Fruit Grower

Funeral services for Walter E. Booth, 59, Hunlock Creek RD. fruit grower, who died suddenly at Danville Hospital on Monday, will be held Friday at 2 p.m. from the Bronson Funeral Home, where friends may call Thursday evening. Burial will be at Oakdale, Rev. Oscar Saxe officiating.

Until failing health a year ago curtailed activities, Mr. Booth had been enthusiastic in the Mens Bible Class of Oakdale Methodist Church. He was born in Ross Township, son of the late George N. and Elizabeth May Culver Booth. His wife is the former Genevieve Elvis of Hunlock.

Surviving are also these sisters and brothers: Harold, Bloomingdale; Mrs. Anna Wiggins; George R., Columbus, Ohio; Mrs. Charlotte Penn, Honolulu; Mrs. Ruth Timm, Chicago, Ill.

Evening School Deposits To Be Returned May 22

The \$5 deposit required for registration for Dallas Evening Extension classes starting last October will be returned to those students who have attended 75% of the classes.

A refund will also be made to students who signed up for a class that did not materialize.

Refunds will be made in the Principal's Office at the Dallas Junior High School Monday, May 22nd from 7 to 8 P.M.

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Towering Virgin Pine Falls Across Revolutionary Hero's Modest Stone

A towering virgin pine, one of the few remaining in this area of Pennsylvania, crashed to the ground in Idetown cemetery during last Tuesday evening's violent wind and hail storm.

Its branches covered, but did not damage, the modest gravestone which marks the spot where Abraham Pike, for whom Pikes Creek was named, rests in peace after his lusty fights against the Indians, and with the Revolutionary forces in the fight for Independence.

He was originally buried farther down the hill, near the old Inde-

pendence School, but wet ground dictated removal of several bodies among them that of Abraham Pike, to higher ground donated by Stephen Ide, the location of the present Idetown Cemetery.

Abraham Pike's stone bears no date. The name is there and the name of the 6th Continental Army of the Revolution.

Each year, on Memorial Day, the metal holder bears a flag.

Saturday, James L. Park cleared the branches away, and cut the pine into lengths for the saw-mill.

Mel Crispell Hurls 2-Hitter

For Third Straight Win
 Beaumont Over Jenks

With Mel Crispell and Alvie Cook swapping positions Sunday, Mel going to the mound and Alvie, donning the mask, Beaumont notched its third straight win.

Crispell hurled a strong two-hitter in blanking Jenks 2-0 in a thriller. It was the toughest contest for Beaumont after walking over previous opponents.

Norm Harding also turned in a stellar performance on the hill for Jenks in a losing cause, allowing six hits, four to the Beaumont battery, Crispell and Cook. He also recorded nine strikeouts in the contest.

Harding and Traver, Jenks battery were the only two men to solve the offerings of Crispell.

Beaumont travels to Forkston Sunday, with game time set for 2:00 P.M.

Beaumont	ab	r	h
Dendler, rf	4	1	1
Brobst, 3b	4	0	1
Sparfoss, ss	4	0	0
M. Crispell, p	4	0	2
E. Harris, 2b	3	0	0
Conden, 1b	4	0	0
T. Crispell, cf	4	0	0
Cook, c	3	1	2
E. Harris, lf	1	0	0
C. Crispell, if	2	0	0

Jenks	ab	r	h
Mock, ss	4	0	0
Layton, cf	3	0	0
Harding, p	4	0	1
At Patton, 3b	4	0	0
McMillan, lf	3	0	0
Je Brody, 1b	3	0	0
W. Weiss, rf	2	0	0
Je Brody, 2b	2	0	0
Brown, 2b	1	0	0
Traver, c	3	0	1

Franklin Township Casts A Light Vote

With the exception of the School Director contest, there was no competition for Republican nominations in Franklin Township.

Nelle Eaton, incumbent and unopposed, received the nomination for Tax Collector with 129 votes.

Other results were: Herman Coon, supervisor, 123; school director, Steinhauer 91; Hslop 54; Justice of the Peace, John Fowler 121 (Mr. Fowler has held the office for thirty years); constable, Byron Kester 133; auditor Dave Parry 119; Judge of election William Parry 130; inspector of election, Mrs. Mildred Lord 130.

In the Democratic contests, Louis Banta, former Kingston Township Police Chief, received 23 votes for constable losing out to Harry Sweitzer who received 70. George Parfisch received 73 for school director and Alex Matukitis received 71 for supervisor. Frank Sarnock received 76 for Justice of the Peace, Elmer DeWitt received 79 for judge of election, and Florence Shrivelly 73 for inspector.

Franklin Township has about 325 registered Republican voters and 140 Democratic voters.

Primaries Are Quiet In Jackson Township

There was no excitement at the Primaries in Jackson Township on Tuesday.

Veteran School Director George Bulford, who has served 28 years, was nominated without opposition as was his running mate, John Fielding.

The results, Republican ticket: Tax Collector Louis Wilcox 191; Supervisor Elmer Laskowski 149; Reuben Gabel 63; School Directors, George Bulford 146, Fred Fielding 157; Justice of the Peace, Robert Culp 144; Constable Gansel 149; Judge of Election Jeffreys 182; Inspector of Election Loretta Peaks 166.

Democratic: Tax Collector, Cigarski 64; supervisor Elinchik 63; school director Gibbons 58; Justice of the Peace, S. Brown 59; auditor Fred Gable 65; constable Rusiloski 59; judge of election, none; inspector of election, Yascur 63.

Troop 281 Signs Up For CD Messenger Service

Members of Boy Scout Troop 281 have signed up with Stefan Hellerperk for Civil Defense messenger service. Scoutmaster Bruce S. Davies Jr. will organize messenger service for all five mass-care centers in the Dallas area.

Enrolling were these Scouts: Robert Van Orden, Art Miller, James Yarnel, Bob Kelly, Don Dennis, John Gager, Charles Spencer, Renard Carkhuff, Thomas Bebe, James Knecht, Russell Gula, Richard Bayliss, Robert Elston, James Smith, Larry Edwards, Joe Goode, George Mahler, David Hess, Bill Baker, Calvin Tinsley, Don Bulford, Richard Cross, Marshall Rumbaugh, Marc Davies, Jeff Townsend, Bill Rowett, James Carey, Bruce Davice III, Raymond McClary.

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