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The First Thanksgiving

Two Indians with an English accent deserve much of the credit for the first Thanksgiving in America.

They taught the Plymouth colonists how to make a home in the New World and helped them establish a peace that lasted for more than 50 years.

The first to approach the colonists, reports World Book Encyclopedia, was Samoset, a chief of the Pemaquid Indians. He walked into the colony one day in March 1621, and unsettled the settlers by addressing them in English. Samoset, it turned out, had earlier met some English fishermen along the coast of Maine and learned some of the language from them.

Two weeks later Samoset dropped in with his friend Squanto, a welltraveled brave of the Pawtuxet tribe. Squanto had been to England twice, once after having been kidnapped and sold as a slave in Spain by an English sea captain. He had returned to America in 1619.

Samoset introduced the colonists to Massasoit, chief of the Plymouth area. With Squanto acting as interpreter, the chief and the Pilgrims concluded a treaty of friendship that lasted until Massasoit died in 1661. Meanwhile Squanto went to live with the colonists, teaching them how to plant corn, pumpkins and beans and showing them where to

That' year the Pilgrims had a bountiful harvest and Governor William Bradford declared the celebration that became the first Thanksgiving.

Back Mountain Student At Center





Pennsylvania State 'University's veying technologies. Wilkes-Barre Center in its many In the picture seated from left to Notable Strides In Establishment years of educational service has right are William Fielding of R.I.

"We're Gathered Together To Ask The Lord's Blessing"

Ceremonial mortgage burning at Superintendent; Rev. John Gordon, Fred Schenck. Present also was Mrs. Noxen Methodist Church took place Sunday afternoon, a capacity audience filling the edifice. Noxen Methodist Church took pastor of the Alderson Methodist Charge; Leslie Kocher, chairman of join the others, in the chancel as the Building Committee; Ray Gun- the oldest member of the congre the Building Committee; Ray Gun- the oldest member of the congre-

Photo by Kozemchak

Gift Wrapping Is Explained

Methodist Church Burns Mortgage At Traditional Ceremonies At Noxen.

Two Days Early

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday and as a convenience to our advertisers this issue of THE POST comes to you two days earlier than usual. Next week's issue will be back on the regular schedule. In the meantime, may we wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving. -The Editors.

PTA Speaker

Extra chairs had to be placed in the sanctuary at Noxen Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, to accommodate the crowd which gath-

ered for burning of the mortgage. Leslie Kocher, chairman of the building committee which paid off the mortgage for improvements to the sanctuary over a period of seven years instead of the originally specified ten, touched a match to the mortgage, held on a metal tray by Raymond Gunton, one of the older members of the congregation. Gathered closely about Mr. Kocher as he burned the mortgage, holdit by one corner until it was reduced to cinders and dropping the smouldering debris in the tray, were

representatives of the people who had made the improvements possible The pastor, Rev. John Gordon, referred to affectionately by District Superintendent Leon Bouton as "Father John," Rev. Ruth Underwood, in whose pastorate plans were made for revitalizing of the church edifice; members of the building committee, officials.

Photographers snapped pictures as the mortgage flamed up and the blackened embers died.

The congregation stood silently. Sun streaming through stained glass windows touched the copper hair of a little girl, turning it to gold, and the small sleek head of a blond boy standing stiffly erect beside his mother. An infant in arms crowed suddenly as the flame leaped.

Dedicated later in the service were J. Warren Yarnal will speak to hymn books given by the Sunday School, Mariel Lutes, sponsor, velvet backdrop and hangings, offered for dedication by Mrs. Oscar Fish; register and stand by Mr. and Mrs.

A lectern, not ready for delivery,

Dr. Bouton, congratulating the praised the discrimination in selection which had resulted in a unified whole, each article complementing the others, instead of a jumble of unrelated furnishings.

Delivering the sermon, Dr. Bouton pointed out the four corners of the church, upon which a Christian edifice stands foursquare: to the East, the supremacy of Jesus Christ; to the South, the outer and the inner reality; to the West, the victory of Christ's kingdom, still growing; to the North, a task and a hope for the future.

Life, he reminded his listeners, is a series of crises, with plateaus to be expected after each major effort, a breathing space before struggling up another height to the ultimate victory.

"You," he concluded, "Are the

The loyal support of the congre-

gation; the men's suppers; the

Thanksgiving collections over a

period of years; the faithfully filled

envelopes for the building fund; the

personal labor; the unflagging zeal

of the building committee; all these

Rev. Gordon in opening the serv-

ices, read a letter from former Dis-

trict Superintendent Harold Buck-

pleasant associations with Noxen

Rev. Underwood, speaking briefly,

said that she would always hold

a warm place in her affections for

Church."

were emphasized.

Methodist Church.



Standing in the chancel were Warren Montross, Mrs. Leslie Koch-er, Rev. Dr. Leon Bouton, District



J. WARREN YARNAL install officers, and map out a pro- Fred Schenck.

Duties of Parents.'

members of the newly organized Westmoreland Elementary School PTA Tuesday evening, November 28, when the group meets to elect and

gram for the year. Mr. Yarnal is chief psychiatric will be dedicated later. worker for the Children's Service Center in Wilkes-Barre. He will congregation on its achievement, speak on "Rights of Children and

In Bubble Gum





Moderator

Citizens Committee for Better Schools announces the next meeting for Wednesday, November 29 at 7:45 p.m. in Room 1 of the Dallas High School.

Dr. Irvin Jacobs, chairman of the Study Committee, will moderate the discussion. The panel will include Mrs. Louise Prothero and Robert Somerville from the Senior High School; Frederick Case, Mrs. Lena Moore, William Morgan, and Miss Esther Saxe from the Junior High School, teachers of mathematics.

William A. Austin will cover mathematics on the elementary level.

The committee hopes to bring out what is currently being taught, what the future goals may be in this department, and how our students progress in mathematics after they go on for further education. This meeting is a direct follow-up of the discussion of college admission requirements held last month. Parents and students interested in preparation for advanced education are urged to attend.

Members of the study committee James Besecker, Jr.

Penalty Goes Cn Taxes Dec. 1

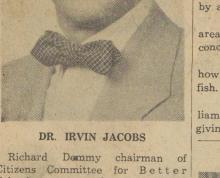
payment goes on all local taxes December 1.

Back Mountain tax collectors say collections are somewhat slower this year than last year.



are Mrs. Fred Eck, Mrs. Hale Coughlin, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs.

A five-percent penalty for late



to 12 and from 2 to 5 p.m.

In Kingston Township Collector trained many Back Mountain Area Shavertown, John Higgs, R.D. 2, Ted Poad has arranged special hours young men for technical careers. Dallas; Richard Powell, 40 Perrin for the convenience of those who Among the 128 freshmen at the Ave., Shavertown. Standing from have not paid their taxes. His of- Center this year are six men from left to right are Claude Sorber, R.D. Fellowship are: Rev. Robert R. ship, Archer Mohr, Ronald Woolfice in the Kingston Township Build- the Back Mountain Area. All are 1 Noxen; John Anskis, 215 Meadow- Smyrl, mederator, and Lester Hauck, cock, William Cooper. ing will be open Friday night from studying for Associate Degrees in crest, Trucksville, and Dale Culver vice moderator; Mrs. Thomas Long-6 to 8 and on Saturday from 9 a.m. Engineering with majors in elec- of Carverton Rd., Trucksville. tronic, drafting and design, or sur-

Honor Congressman Daniel Flood

of Machell Avenue, Dallas, and Rev. Association at Irem Temple Club. serve Officers Association.

Daniel J. Flood by the Wilkes-Barre Distinguished Service Citation from Butler.

ing in a tribute to Congressman sented Congressman Flood with the ad Mrs. Flood, and Col. and Mrs. and Father Kane.

On the Steering Committee for erts, Mrs. Thomas Bobo, Mrs. Clifmore, secretary.

the newly organized Presbyterian ford Troup, Hugh Aird; member-Christian Education, Mrs. John Dungey, chairman; for children, Mrs. tain Library Book Club Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Hauck; adult, hausen. Raymond Carmon, Mrs. Robert Zieg-

Outreach, Mrs. Carmon, Mrs. Leon Moyer, Mrs. Lloyd Kear and Mrs. liegler, Thomas Bobo, Paul Heitzirrater; fellowship, Mrs. William Iawson, Mrs. William Eckroat, Mrs. Fobert Wilde; ushering, H. L. Hoove, William Lawson, Jack Barnes,

Lickawanna, the work in this area point by Mrs. Otto Weyand. is being guided by an elected com- Named to the Christmas decoramssion, Herbert Pickett, chairman. tion committee were Mesdames Or-Members are Elder Miner Ayles- nan Lamb, Otto Weyand, Arnott mond University last season was one he and she were both "ministers' worth, Elder James Hutchison, Eld- Jones, Paul Gross, Ray Turner Sr. of the four top college pass re- kids," and saluted the first woman er William Schuster, Rev. Jule and Tom Hillyer.

The commission will secure an mond Walters, Edward Scanlon, Wil- of age."

approval of the Presbytery. The new Fellowship, meeting in Mrs. Weyand and Mrs. E. G. Ruth- ing a pass for Richmond Univer-Dalas Junior High School, has rec- erford poured.

Col. H. H. Butler and Mrs. Butler Chapter 34 of the Reserve Officers National Headquarters of the Re-| Standing: Capt. Daniel Wolfe and ently inaugurated a Church School Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Col. Butler, who is vice president Seated, left to right, are Mrs. Ed- Giles, Jr., Mrs. Richard L. Under- but people of all ages. Back Mountain area residents join- with main offices in Dallas, pre- Frank, Congressman Daniel J. Flood Schwartz, Capt. Robert J. Kachmar formation.

be made shortly.

A novel and delightful program centering around holiday gift wrapping and fancy bow tying was featured at the meeting of Back Moun-

In charge of worship, LeRoy Rob- Dungey, Mrs. Robert Clayton; youth, afternoon by Patricia Mengering-

Mrs. Herman Thomas, president

Vazeter, Mrs. Archer Mohr; Robert Henry Peterson as members of the nominating committee. Mrs. Enoch Thomas read the secretary's and Mrs. Thomas Hillyer the treasurer's report. Book Selec-

tion Report was given by Mrs. Thom-Sponsored by the Presbytery of as Hillyer and Contingent Fund Re- picture of a professional football

Ayers, Rev. Lloyd Crall, and Rev. Tea was served by Mrs. Harold speed and sure hands. He is 6' 3", Mr. Kocher, in thanking the congre-

organizing minister subject to final lard Seaman, Stewart Ferguson, Her-

sity. Present were Mesdames: Thomas Bob was home this weekend, Mrs. Wolfe Mrs. John Giles, Lt. Col. which will serve not only children, Hillyer, Herman Thomas, Enoch following the game with the Boston Thomas Jr., J. H. D. Ferguson, G. Patriots, to see his wife and family. Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, all at ex-treme right, headed a group of monwealth Telephone Company Mrs. Leonard Frank and Lt. Col. Larson Miss Nancy treme right, headed a group of monwealth Telephone Company Mrs. Leonard Frank and Lt. Col. Larson Miss Capt. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Underwood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Underwood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, and Capt. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, and Capt. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, and Capt. Dauksis, wood, Lt. Col. Cont. Dauksis, cont. Cont. Dauksis, cont. Dauksis, cont. Cont. Dauksis, cont. Cont. Dauksis, cont. Con

Frantz, A. G. Rutherford, Kittie Den- new son, Bobby, born on October

An Every Member Canvass will nis, Betty Walter, Dana Crump, A. L. Jones Prosper Wirt, Fred B. Mrs. Coolbaugh has been staying A. 13. Mrs. Coolbaugh has been staying A. 14. For the protocol of the prot Howell. Thomas E. Heffernan, Ed- with her mother in Old Forge but ward Scanlon, Willard Seaman, Rob- says that next year she is going to Former Dallas Telephone operatert VanHorn, Otto Weyand, Harold follow the team with Bob, "then, ors will hold their annual Christ-Titman and Arthur Ross.

> **Ambulance** Association Fund **Drive Starts Next Monday**

At its meeting Monday night at Michaline Whitman, Frances Mo-Orange Methodist Church, Franklin- cium, Arlene Wisniewski, Ruth Evacuated For Highway Northmoreland Township Ambulance Rogers, Romayne Williams, Ida Ber- First home to be completely evac-Asso, kicked off its drive to raise lew, Jerry Felter, Verna Weaver, uated and turned over to the Depart-\$1,000 to finance the new Asso- Dolores Stelma, Ann Petchkis and ment of Highways along the right ciation.

The Association recently pur- Pledge cards were distributed to in Trucksville is that of Mrs. Elizachased the ambulance now in use by the members of the teams and the beth Billings. Dallas Community Ambulance Asso- Drive will start next monday with The property, near Kingston Townciation and will give 24-hour service every effort made to conclude it ship Building, contains two apartto the people of Franklin and North- within a week. moreland Townships.

The three co-chairmen of the Rev. Edward Lintern, president; Hen- Billings' sister, Florence Frantz, who

Photo by Rosser Lord, Hilda Coon, Dolores Kuzma, Besteder.



BOB COOLBAUGH

A young customer dropped into Evans Drug Store Saturday and ingham, who sent congratulations purchased a package of Bubble from Binghamton and recalled many Gum

Imagine his surprise when he pulled out of the package a colored player with this caption:

"Bob Coolbaugh, offensive end, the Noxen congregation. Oakland Raiders who while at Rich-Rev. Bouton reminded her that ceivers of the country. He was minister in the Wyoming Confer-

Titman's committee: Mesdames Ray-weighs 200 pounds and is 21 years. gation before the burning of the mortgage, read a list of loyal mem-

. The picture depicted Bob wearing bers who were no longer with the man Thomas and Enoch Thomas. the famous numeral 85 while catchcongregation. The closing of Noxen's principal

ndustry, a great blow to the community, was almost coincidental with the making of the last payment of the \$12,038 mortgage on the

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maybe, the Raiders' luck will change. mas party at Hotel Sterling on Saturday, December 2. Reservations should be made with the Commonwealth Office, OR 4-1211 or Mrs. August Walter, OR 4-8524 by No-

First Trucksville Property

of way of the new State Highway

mets. Until this week the upstairs

drive are: Stapley Jones, John ry Hess, vice president; Mrs. Louise has moved to Pioneer Avenue. The Kadliak, and Edward Dorrance. James, secretary; L. Stanley Jones, lower apartment was occupied by Team members are: Marie Duffy, treasurer. Directors are: Franklin Mrs. Billings' brother, Elias Frantz. Marion McHenry, Emily Davenport, Township: Marie Duffy, Malcolm He has returned to Plymouth.

Mary Mitchell, Marietta Gay, Joyce Baird and Harold Davenport; North- Within a few days the State will. Gloria Parrish, Nora Neilson, Minnie savige, Willliam Storey and Carl place signs on the building stating that it is the property of the State

Junior High Students Prepare Thanksgiving Favors

All .

Students in Miss Esther Saxe's | Veterans Hospital and Convalescent ship and guidance of Miss Saxe. | huff, J. Carle, R. Cheney, J. Coburn, | V. Ditlow, S. Dymond, L. Ell, S. Emil, Among the students who took R. Cosgrove, R. Cross, C. Cully, P. E. Esler, H. Franica and C. Hines. classes at Dallas Junior High School Homes. prepared more than 200 Thanks- The favors included various kinds part in the project were: R. Antan- Achuff, P. Aleknavich, P. Baker, Absent when the pictures were takgiving Tray favors for Junior Red of individually wrapped candy. The itis, R. Bayer, R. Berkey, R. Ber- J. Balshaw, C. Calkins, J. Chernin, en were: R. Ashman, E. Culp and Sickler, Grace Harris, moreland Township, George L. Matu- make payment to Mrs. Billings and Cross distribution to Wilkes-Barre work was done under the sponsor- lew R. Burkhardt J. Carey, R. Cark- J. Cleasby, N. Covert, L. Dennis, M. Berti,

Dorothy Hess.

Officers of the Association are: apartment was occupied by Mrs.

vember 29.