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Old Tales Recount Harrowing Days For Early Back Mountain Settlers

By GARFIELD JACKSON

Here is a bit of local history that day. The boys got their grain ready just came to mind, and I thought and intended to start early in the it might be of interest to Dallas morning to go to mill. So the father Post readers who may have heard took down the family Bible, and the same story and could verify while the family gathered round, a or add to it.

It is concerning a family that sang a hymn and had prayer belived on the mountain near where fore the boys left. the old Wyoming Camp Ground When they were about ready to was. I read this story in a Sunday leave on their journey, the father School paper many years ago, but suddenly said, "Boys! Something have never learned the name of tells me that you should not go the family mentioned in the story. to mill today. It seems like a divine

During the days before the Wyom-ing Massacre the Connecticut and I can't let you go." So the boys Pennsylvania settlers fought for pos- were very disappointed, but resession of the Valley and much mained at home talking among property was destroyed. Settlers themselves of their father's strange ere driven out, and those from behavior.

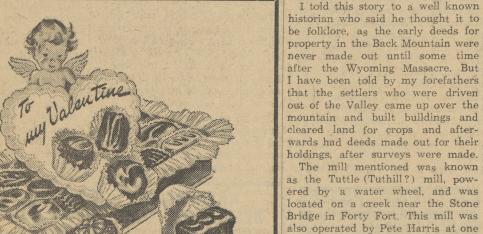
Sonnecticut moved to the Back | So late in the afternoon, one of Mountain wilderness until things the boys took a walk from home, got quiet. They cleared land and to a place where he could look down built log buildings for themselves on the Valley, and he smelled and their stock, waiting for things smoke and was anxious to learn to be settled so that they could the cause. This was near what is

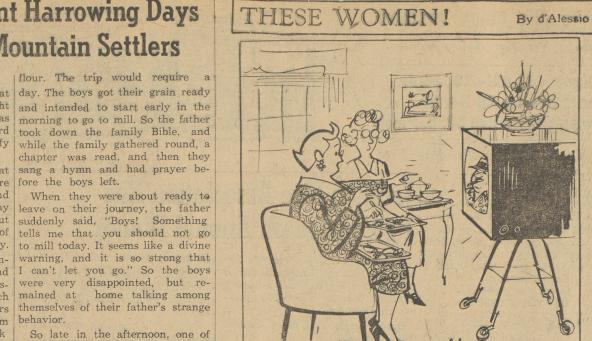
in this family, and the father told smoke was rising, and hurried home the boys that they could each take to report, and the whole family a bag of grain and go to Pete Har. came to see, and discovered that ris' mill and have it ground into the Indians who had attacked the





again return to the Valley. known as the Look-Out. He saw There were three husky boys many places in the Valley where





Brodbeem

time. Mr. Harris was one of the first forty settlers in Forty-Fort.

4-H CLUB NEWS

ville Fire Hall, at 8 p.m.

ing a 4-H Club.

The first meeting of the Cloverleaf 4-H Club of Luzerne County, will be held February 15, at Trucks-

All last year's members are re-quested to attend. The Pins for

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settlers had spent the previous day | and girls in 4-H clubs in Pennsylright on that spot and had never vania, not only boys and girls quish, Walter S. Black, John Woy- week as the second Monday, Janudiscovered the little family that from rural areas, but from the chick, Jack Hogan, Keith Yeisley, ary 14. had been so close all the while. city and towns.

I told this story to a well known historian who said he thought it to be folklore, as the early deeds for property in the Back Mountain were inter a 4-H Club, attend the first meet-ing and find the approximation of over the first meet-ing and find the approximation of over the conditions in a combination of over the conditions in the first meet-an educational organization of over the conditions in a combination of the conditions in the first meet-and the first m never made out until some time ing and find the answers to any 2800 clubs, providing its members rain, sleet, and snow-forced transafter the Wyoming Massacre. But questions you may have. No ob- with opportunities to improve their fer of scheduled open air ceremonies I have been told by my forefathers ligation to join.

President Hogan thanked the ment as far as the Club is concerned. as explained by H. R. McCulloch Alerio Speakers for the evening were commission secretary, by the 1963

Ward Jacquish and Walter S. Black. January immediately following their Present at the meeting were the election. Next year the third Tues-

abilities to speak in public, conduct in front of the Capitol-to the in-

Back Mountain Toastmasters Install doors. Soon afterward the Legisla-ture passed an act decreeing that future inaugurals be indoors at the date incidentally, will be only one **New Officers At Dinner Meeting**

Officers of Back Mountain Club meetings and develop their execu-1553, Toastmasters International tive capacities through practice, were installed at a dinner meet- mutual constructive criticism and ing at Donachie's Thursday night. assumption of responsibilities within

Past President John Woychick the organization. It's also a great called the meeting to order and deal of fun! We'd like to invite after thanking the group for their help afforded him during his tenure be held at the Dallas Library Annex of office, turned the gavel over to building on February 15 at 8:15 the evening's Toastmaster, Jerry P.M.

Fritzen. Mr. Fritzen introducecd the new officers as follows: President, 1963 Farm Show Will Jack Hogan; Educational Vice-Presi-dent, Jerry Fritzen; administrative Precede Inauguration Vice-President, George Norton;

Treasurer, Don Edwards; and Secre-been set by the Farm Show Commission for January 7 to 11. Ordinarily the Farm Show opens group for their faith in him and the second Monday in January, as promised that the year 1962 would be a year of growth and accomplish-to the first Monday was occasioned,

John Woychick, whose topic was "Milk Price Control", and Bill The State's administrative code Morgan, who recited from "The stipulates that its governors must be Bombardment". The evaluators were inaugurated the third Tuesday of

following: Paul Monahan, Ward Jac- day, January 15, comes in the same

Don Edwards, Bill Morgan, Jerry Next year's inaugural is scheduled

calendar day earlier than this Jan-

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