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## Body Of Dentist Found Two Days After His Death

### Drifts From Snowplow Piled Around Parked Car At Shavertown

Dead two days from a heart attack in his parked car, while oblivious shoppers bustled in and out of Shavertown Shopping Center and ploughs piled new fallen snow higher and higher about the vehicle, the body of Dr. Carl E. Hergert of Harveys Lake was discovered Thursday afternoon at 3.

Absence of snow under the car indicated that it had been parked before snow started to fall at midnight on Tuesday.

It was the only car in the lot that had snow on the windshield Thursday afternoon. The vent on the driver's side was open, also the window on the passenger's side was lowered two inches. Nothing was visible, nothing to show that the car held a passenger.

Dr. Hergert, it is assumed, may have completed his shopping and come back to the car. Two Valentines and his hat were on the back seat. He himself apparently got into the passenger's seat. He had been complaining for some time of severe pain in his shoulder and stomach, and may have needed to stretch out more comfortably than in a cramped position behind the wheel.

Mrs. Marie Perrego, Dallas R. D. 3, parking beside the snow-banked car Thursday afternoon, saw through the window what looked like a tumbled blue blanket. Looking closer, she saw that a man in a blue overcoat was slumped on the seat, his head fallen below the steering wheel. She went into Dieton's Bakery to get the news, and summon police.

Herbert Udyke, Kingston Police, called Lake Police Chief Edgar Hughes to break the news to Mrs. Hergert, when the victim had been pronounced dead by Dr. Malcolm Borwick and Dr. H. G. Gallagher.

He was buried in Denison Cemetery Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Hergert, who recently reopened his dental office in Miner's National Bank after a number of years in Florida, had called his wife Virginia Tuesday afternoon to see that he was coming home.

Born in Wilkes-Barre August 9, 1909, Dr. Hergert was a son of Mrs. Johanna Hergert, and the late Adam Hergert. Dr. Hergert attended Wilkes-Barre public schools and was graduated from University of Maryland.

Surviving in addition to his mother and widow are children, Mrs. Charlie Adams, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. Fred Teshler, Hollywood, Fla.; Carl, Mrs. Duncan Davis, Jonathan, Miami, Fla.; eight grandchildren, sister, Mrs. Jerry Guyler, Wilkes-Barre.

## Jeep Rams Car At Beaumont

### Steep Hill, Ice Cause Collision

A Kingston woman was hospitalized at General last Wednesday night, suffering from a dislocated right hip, result of a collision between her car and a jeep in Beaumont.

Mrs. Edna Lake, 46, passenger in a car driven by her husband John, was travelling toward Wilkes-Barre. At the foot of the Beaumont — Alderson road intersecting Route 309, an exceptionally steep hill, a jeep driven by Howard R. Smith, 24, Harveys Lake RD, was unable to stop on glare ice, skidded, and crashed into the Lake car. His daughter Vanissue, 2, and son Howard, 4, were treated for contusions and he himself for abrasions of chest and left knee at Noxen Clinic.

Mrs. Lake was transported in the Noxen ambulance.

This is the stretch of precipitous hill that caused the death, many years ago, of a man driving a tractor. The victim was unable to stop the tractor, which gathered speed, bolted across the highway and over the bank at the turnoff to Monroe Township school, crushing the driver.

## Misericordia Alumnae Board To Meet Saturday

Executive Board of College Misericordia Alumnae will meet Saturday at 10:30 at Hotel Sterling, taking part in an all-day session with representatives from ten College Misericordia Alumnae Associations of the Eastern Seaboard.

Luncheon will be served at 1, with a chapter workshop to follow. Mrs. Robert Dee of Murray Hill, N. J. will preside.

Chapters sending delegates are from Harrisburg, Long Island, Luzerne County, New England, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Southern Tier, Binghamton, Washington DC and Wilmington, Del.

## Carl Derhammer Badly Burned In Explosion

### Clothing Ignites As He Hurls Stove Out Into The Snow

Carl Derhammer Sr. seriously burned in the explosion of a portable gasoline stove Saturday morning, is reported in fair condition at Veteran's Hospital.

Mr. Derhammer's upper body, arms and face were badly burned when the stove in the kitchen of his home on lower Demunds Road exploded at 7:10 while he was preparing to fry potatoes.

Protecting himself with a heavy woolen jacket, he carried the stove outdoors and threw it into the snow. The jacket and all other clothing above the waist, doused with gasoline, were burned from his body.

His wife and son Carl, 11, rushed to the victim and threw blankets about him to smother the flames. Mrs. Derhammer's face and hands were burned.

The explosion set kitchen curtains afire. Children of the family tore them down, extinguished the blaze.

Dallas Township Frank (Pete) Lange, next door, heard Derhammer's agonized shout and ran to the house. Dr. A. A. Mascali gave the injured man a shot before he was rushed to Veterans Hospital.

Staffing Dallas Community ambulance were Robert Block and Edwin Roth.

Just one week before Mr. Derhammer's accident, his son Carl Jr. narrowly escaped death when he flung himself from the sled in which he was coasting downhill in his yard, a split second before it was crushed beneath the wheel of a car. His playmate, Billy Belles, piloting the sled, was killed.

## Cancer Crusade Leaders Named

Robert W. Laux, general chairman for the 1962 Crusade of Luzerne County Unit, American Cancer Society, announces leaders for Greater Back Mountain.

They are: North Back Mountain, Mrs. R. C. Post, chairman, and Mrs. Hanford Eckman, vice chairman. South Back Mountain, Lester W. Hauck, Perrin Avenue, Shavertown, chairman.

All three appointees are well-known through their many civic interests, while Mrs. Post is primarily engaged in "helping my husband in his animal hospital", her activities are many and varied. Both she and Mrs. Eckman are members of Women of Rotary of Dallas.

Mrs. Post was for years associated with Wyoming Valley Playground and Recreation Association as a volunteer, and taught tennis in that capacity for 12 years. Among other interests have been the Legal Aid Society and Planned Parenthood, of which she is a past president.

The Back Mountain Library is one of Mrs. Eckman's chief interests. She is a member of the board, she is also active in the Junior Woman's Club of Dallas.

Mr. Hauck is a member of the firm of Allen, Rodda and Hauck, architects of Wilkes-Barre. He is a member of Dallas Rotary and has been active in current plans for erection of the Presbyterian Church in the Back Mountain.

In addition to Mr. Laux, other top leaders of the Crusade from the Back Mountain are Louis Maslow, chairman of special gifts, and Joseph H. MacVeigh, vice chairman, both of Dallas. Thomas J. Toole, Wilkes-Barre, is Crusade vice chairman.

Luzerne County's quote for 1962 is \$56,000.

## Digging Artesian Well

Because the present supply of water for Monroe Township School at Beaumont has been condemned, well drillers are now digging a new artesian well to supply the school.

Send Him Your Cards And Your Prayers



## Change In Wrestler's Condition Necessitates Another Operation

The condition of Fred Henebault, injured Lake-Lehman wrestler, now a patient at Geisinger Medical Center, has taken a turn for the worse and he will undergo another operation this week.

Up until a few days ago he had reached the point where he could be transferred from his bed to a fixed prone position in a wheelchair. Although his position was as rigid as in bed, the wheelchair permitted him to be moved about the center and gave him a change of scenery.

Then something happened and his condition changed. His neck is very weak. Doctors have told Mr. and Mrs. Henebault that they will have to operate this week, transplanting a bone from Fred's hip to his neck in order to strengthen it. And Fred is now back in bed again all of the time.

When he learned of the coming operation, Fred's spirits dropped for a while, but they were a little better Monday night; for he is willing to go through anything if he is only able to walk again. But the prognosis is not good.

Nurses at the hospital say that he is unfaillingly cheerful, always smiling, and that he never complains. All of the nurses and attendants love to drop by for a little chat and to say "hello".

## The Wilfred Ide Family Together For First Time In Three Years



Pictured above is the Wilfred Ide family, Loyalville, who enjoyed a reunion for the first time in three years during the holidays, just before Richard Allen left for service with Uncle Sam. Seated are Mr. and Mrs. Ide, standing Richard, Carolyn, Jeanette and SP/4 Warren.

On February 12 Richard left for basic training with the Army at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. He was a 1960 graduate of Penn State University and worked since his junior year as a design engineer for IBM at Endicott, N. Y. Recently he received an appointment as Associate Engineer in the Development Laboratory of IBM. Last week members of the staff and his fellow employees held a special dinner in his honor and he was presented with a beautiful set of luggage. On February 11 a dinner was given by his parents at home to celebrate his 25th birthday. He is engaged to Marlene Lattimore of Apalachin, New York. The Lattimore family was present at the birthday dinner.

Carolyn is a member of the senior class at Lake-Lehman. She was honored as Girl-of-the-Month by the Harveys Lake Woman's Service Club and plans to further her education at Muhlenberg College. Due to high scores received in College Board Examinations, she received a letter of commendation from the Merit Scholarship Program.

Jeanette lives in Morrisville, Pa.

## He Cast His Bread On The Waters And A Voice Answered From Greece

Two years ago when the congregation of Dallas Methodist Church was collecting used clothing for the people of Chili who had been driven from their homes by earthquakes, Richard Disque Jr., was one of those who contributed a suit along with other wearing apparel.

As he and his parents, Funeral Director and Mrs. Richard Disque, gathered the clothing for the collectors, he slipped a piece of paper bearing his name and address in the coat pocket.

This week he heard from the note that he had since forgotten, the answer came, not from Chili, but from Greece.

In a neat blue air mail envelope, addressed precisely to Richard H. Disque, Jr., 672 Memorial Highway, Dallas, Pennsylvania, U. S. A. was this letter which Dick had translated from the Greek by a Wilkes College classmate:

Ermoupolis (village)  
Dear and unknown Sir:  
These days our providence distributed some clothes which you sent to us from America.

Inside one of the pockets of your coat we found this address. This gave me the opportunity to write to you and describe my family.

My hometown is Syros, the capital of the island of Cycladon. I have four children, three girls and one boy. My name is Ioannis Bacondios. I am a private clerk.

Here at Syros we earn our living through hard work, because the salary is low, and things are expensive. We accepted the clothes, the flour and other things which you sent to us with great pleasure, because we could really use them.

We thank you ever so much for your kindness and your good heart.

Sincerely yours,  
Ioannis Bacondios  
and family

## Heart Drive To Extend To March

### Chairman Names Area Solicitors For Drive

A meeting of Dallas Borough and Township area captains for the 1962 Heart Fund drive was held by Mrs. Paul Salingo, Dallas chairman, at Orchard Farms Restaurant last Tuesday evening.

Solicitors' kits were distributed and plans for the Drive which has begun in the Back Mountain this month and will continue through the first two weeks in March, were discussed.

Captains reported little or no trouble getting women to serve as solicitors. Mrs. Selingo said 'The needs of the Heart Association contain a personal message for all Americans. They have a special meaning for wives and mothers by tradition the guardians of family health. Women all too frequently see youngsters struggle gallantly to overcome handicaps of rheumatic fever or inborn heart defects. They know of husbands, their own or neighbors, felled suddenly by heart attack or stroke in the prime of life. No age group is immune. Women understand the heart score. That is why so many are serving as Heart Fund volunteers.'

The meeting was attended by Mrs. Fred Dingle and Mrs. Lyle Slaff, general co-chairman of the Drive for the Back Mountain, and Mesdames George Thomas, Harry Burns, Donald Weidner, George Budd, Hyman Lull, Franklin Gager, Warren Boyes, John Rosser, and W. Wayne Dorrislie, who, because of her understanding of the work of the Heart Association, will solicit all of New Goss Manor herself. Unable to attend were Mesdames Harrison Cook, Edward Scandlon, Frank Summa, and James Burdick, and Miss Elizabeth Young.

Signed for neighborhood solicitation are Mesdames George Manneer, Robert J. Lavelle, Joseph Sims, George Swartwood, E. A. Groblewski, Alexander Covert, Phyllis Berger, William Cooper, Harry Powell, Milton Leonard, Paul Priebe, Walter H. Larson, Willard Covert, Willard Newberry, Kenneth Young, Andrew Roberts, Frederick Drake, Lewis Reese, Harold Casterline, Ralph Marshall, Harvey H. Johnson, Richard Oliver, Robert VanHorn, James Oliver, John Kistler, Raymond Dukinas, William Barber, T. C. Kostrohal, Jack Bestwick, Joseph Yenason, Gerald F. Richards, Edward McDade, William Wagner, Misses Barbara Kozemchak, Patricia Rood, Bettie Sullivan.

## Handicapped Girl Chosen Queen

### Carol Ann Williams At Rehabilitation

Carol Ann Williams wore a tiara at the Valentine Dance at Johnstown Rehabilitation Center, chosen by 500 other trainees to be Queen of the Sweetheart Swing, an honor which left her speechless.

Carol Ann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Stewart Williams, Parrish Street, is slowly overcoming a weakness of the lower extremities which prevented her from attending school with her classmates. Nonetheless, she kept up with her work and graduated with the Westmoreland Class of 1959.

With an eye to the future, and a gainful occupation, she enrolled at the State Rehabilitation Center in October. She is studying a business course, and hopes to prepare herself for employment, in an occupation where not much standing or walking is required.

The Dallas Post did a feature story on Miss Williams just before she graduated from Westmoreland, when she was still fearful of trying to use her muscles because she had suffered a broken leg in a fall.

## Noxen Men See How Westover Got New Plant

### NEED Group Visits Town Where Tannery Closed Two Years Ago

Three representatives of NEED, Noxen Employment, Enterprise and Development Association, visited Westover Saturday to learn how that Western Pennsylvania hamlet has attracted a new industry to replace its tannery which closed more than two years ago.

Making the trip were David Fritz, Franklin Patton and Leo Lord who have been leaving no stones unturned to attract a new industry to Noxen.

Westover, located in the northwest of Pennsylvania, faces the same problem as Noxen when its single industry owned by Armour Leather Company closed.

Now its citizens are thrilled by the announcement that the Raser Tanning Company, an upper leather processor, has purchased the abandoned tannery buildings and will employ 200 men where only eighty were employed before.

In addition the Raser Company has offered to reemploy every able bodied man in the community regardless of age and will train some of these men for key skilled jobs.

How was it done? Were there any magic wands? That was what the Noxen group wanted to learn when they made their visit so that they could profit by the experience of Westover's citizens.

They learned that Westover is only half the size of Noxen; that its tannery was not near so large or modern, nor is it located as close to arterial highways.

But the citizens of Westover had spirit and determination.

None of them sold their homes nor were there any vacant houses in town. Many of the men found jobs elsewhere but retained their homes in Westover.

The outlook was bleak, but the citizens formed a committee and purchased the plant buildings from Armour Leather Company for a nominal sum. Citizens signed personal notes in order to raise the money to make the down payment, even placing mortgages on their homes. Only one person defaulted during the two year period while the plant stood idle and that was because of personal misfortune.

The committee worked closely with the State Department of Commerce and others in an effort to attract new industry, but none was forthcoming.

There were other problems, too, taxes, liability insurance, and other expenses had to be met. "Finally" in the words of Ernest Wagner, one of the Westover committee members interviewed by the Noxen group, "we reached the point where we couldn't have hung on much longer."

Then the miracle happened. A former Armour Leather Company employee working in Ohio learned that a firm wanted other quarters outside of Ohio. He brought the closed Westover plant to its attention with the result that the buildings were sold and the plant is now occupied.

Mr. Wagner told the Noxen group, "Hard work, a dedicated community working together—and luck all played their part in bringing a bright future to Westover."

## Station Wagon Crashes Pole After Skid On Ice

Icy pave on Route 118 opposite Ray Daring's store sent a station wagon hurtling against a utility pole Friday night. The driver, Mrs. Joan Ide, Dallas RD 4, on her way to Wilkes-Barre, was admitted by Dallas ambulance to Nesbitt Hospital, suffering lacerations of chin and right knee. Admitted also for treatment of laceration of the nose and observation, was her 8 year old son William. Treated for abrasions was another son, Robert, 10.

Staffing the ambulance were Tony Zachary, Lane Jarrett, and Charles Plack.

## Weyerhaeuser Executive Visits His Family Here

Ben C. Shipman, Tacoma, Washington, vice president in charge of marketing with Weyerhaeuser Lumber Company, stopped off to spend Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Marks of Lehman and his son and daughter-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Ben C. Shipman Jr. and children, Ben S. and Jennie Lynn of Buffalo, who are spending some time with Mrs. Shipman's parents. Mr. Shipman was en route to Mt. Pocono where he will have charge of the company's three-day eastern sales meeting at Pocono Manor, Ben, Jr. who is Rilco sales engineer in Buffalo, and Jack Phillips, Dallas, Weyerhaeuser sales representative in this area, also attended the Mt. Pocono meeting.

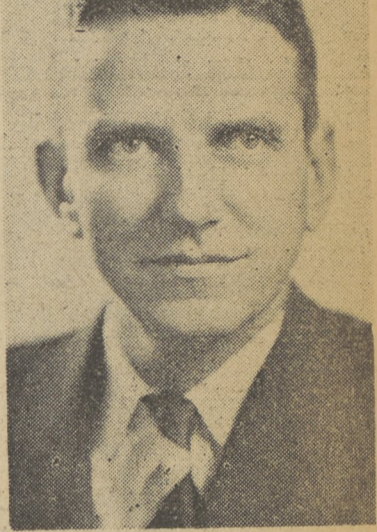
## Col. H. H. Butler Takes New Post In Washington

### General Manager Of Commonwealth Co. Goes With U.S.I.T.A.

Col. H. H. Butler, for the past nine years vice president and general manager of Commonwealth Telephone Company has resigned that position to become associated in an executive capacity with the United States Independent Telephone Association with offices in Washington D.C.

He will be Director of Government Relations.

Before coming to Dallas, Col. Butler was president of the Illinois Telephone Group Companies



which later sold their Pennsylvania holdings to the Commonwealth Telephone Company, and their other holdings throughout the United States to General Telephone Company.

No successor to Col. Butler has been named by Commonwealth and for the interim Andrew J. Sordani Jr., president of Commonwealth, will assume his duties.

Col. and Mrs. Butler and their two sons Jon and Harris have made many friends since coming to Dallas where they have taken an active part in community life. Harris is now completing his internship at Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia and will enter upon a three year residency there in internal medicine starting in July.

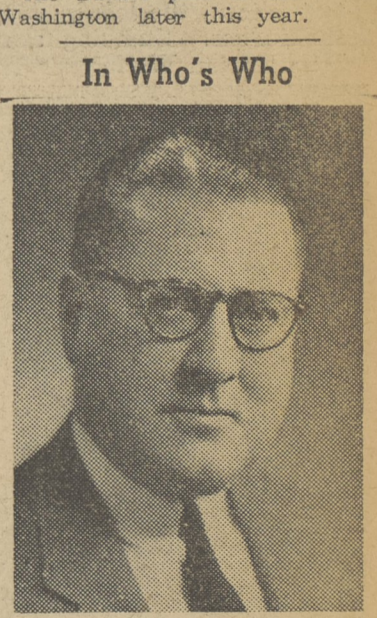
Jon, a member of Kiwanis Key Club and Drill team will graduate from Dallas High School this spring.

Both Col. and Mrs. Butler have been active in Dallas Rotary Club and Women of Rotary.

A native of Ohio, Col. Butler was a veterinarian at Washington & Lee University, Lexington, Va. After graduation, he joined the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, a member of the Bell System and later became Commercial manager in Baltimore and Division Commercial manager for the State of Maryland. During World War 2 served as signal officer in the personnel section of the Army in Washington D.C. He has remained in the active reserve until he retired some months ago with the rank of Colonel.

The Butlers plan to move to Washington later this year.

## In Who's Who



Atty. James Lenahan Brown, Westmoreland Hills, well known lawyer in both Back Mountain and greater Wyoming Valley, appears in the 1962-63 volume of Who's Who in the East.

Graduate of Lafayette College and Dickinson Law School, he is associated with Congressman Dan Flood in the law firm of Flood, Brown, Hourigan and Farrell. He was admitted to the bar in 1936.

He has carried the ball for many local organizations, the most recent the group which protested building of the new Lake-Lehman High School.

He is a past president of Back Mountain Protective Association.

In 1957 he was special assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He is married and has four children. His wife is the former Irene P. Keavns.