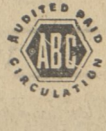


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Only Yesterday

Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO:

Renovation of the old Bank Building was being speeded for Commonwealth Telephone Co. and Harveys Lake Light Company occupancy. Luzerne County Gas and Electric planned to have offices in the same building.

Fred Kiefer owned a page from the famous Gutenberg Bible. The single page was valued at \$1,200.

Ice was six inches thick at Beech Lake, and the ice harvest was about to commence.

Ruggles-Noxon road was to be relocated with the coming of good weather, with elimination of a bad curve at Miller's Corner.

Lehman held the lead in the Rural League, with Orange in second place.

H. A. Bronson, Alderson, had a lamb that when ten days old weighed 29 pounds.

James Oliver unloaded a car-load of Dodge trucks, the third car-load of automobiles for the year to date.

An Auxiliary to Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company was formed.

Shavertown and Trucksville were slugging it out, Shavertown threatening to withdraw from Kingston Township. An editorial pointed out that Dallas Borough and Dallas Township were struggling against financial odds to maintain high schools up to State standards, asked if the population of Kingston Township preferred two second rate high schools to one first class building and faculty, a goal which could be reached by tarrying a jealous hatchet.

Prohibition was a sore subject, many thinkers urging its repeal because of inability to enforce the law.

Butter was 2 pounds for 49 cents, lard 3 pounds for 20; pineapple 2 large cans 29; eggs 21 cents a dozen, evaporated milk 3 tall cans for 29, hams 15 cents a pound.

IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO:

Lt. Richard Wellington Cease was killed in action somewhere in the Far East, the first Back Mountain boy to die in World War 2. He was a navigator on an Air Force Bomber. Twenty-six years old, he was son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Cease of Trucksville.

Orchard Knob Farm was sold to Donald Wilkinson and Fred Brokenshire, the Johnson property passing for \$23,000.

James Ellsworth Jones, 7, died after spending most of his short life in hospitals with a baffling ailment.

Only eighty acres of tomatoes were promised by local farmers in conference with a canner anxious to purchase 350.

Registration for the draft showed 467 names, including two father and son teams and 12 of foreign birth. Henry Fritzes and son Robert Henry comprised one father-son team; Charles E. Gensel and William Gensel another. Many World War I men were on the list, including Robert Bulford, Sheldon Drake, and William McIntyre.

The rule for no smoking in Dallas Borough school buildings was enforced on visiting organizations.

Names of more than 100 soldiers were added to the Post's mailing list, gratis, and a precedent was established to send the home paper all over the world for boys in service. Letters were beginning to come from the boys, giving news of themselves.

Wardens were given instructions to turn off street lights at once when the "red" alert was sounded in air raid drill.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Neely observed their 55th anniversary.

IT HAPPENED 10 YEARS AGO:

Mad foxes were still the main front page news, with four people getting shots, and many foxes menacing the area. Mrs. Richard Culver, the registered nurse who had seen Mrs. Harold Dickson through her last tortured days at Nesbitt, was taking the Pasteur treatment because of possibility of scratches on her hands becoming infected.

Donald Derby was bitten on the hand while changing a tire; Mike Krupsha on the heel by the same animal; Claude Cambell, retrieving his dog in Loyalville, was bitten.

The dog had become infected while AWOL after a hunting trip. Foxes were reported everywhere, all of them acting strangely unafraid of human beings. The Game Commission was starting a program of trapping.

The Whitesell Brothers were working on a 180 home development at Oak Hill, expecting to get twenty homes finished the first year.

Chick Smith was named head of the Sixth Library Auction.

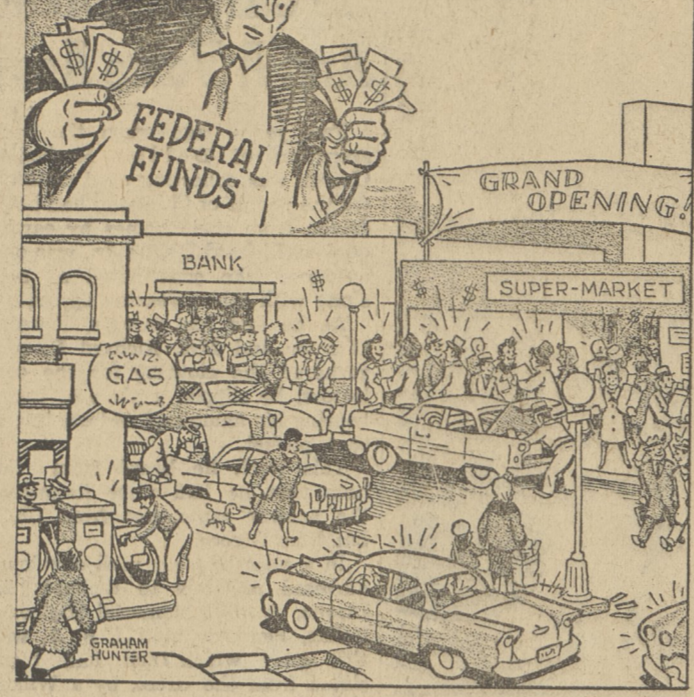
Paul Winter had his hat in the ring for Congress.

Married: Irma Marcini to Dennis Ferry; Mary Tomascik to John J. Comer.

Died: Mrs. Burton Wilcox, 52, Outlet; Mrs. Alex Mahoney, 45, Fernbrook; George Youngblood, formerly of Shavertown, at 61, Chester Puterbaugh, 58, formerly of Harveys Lake.

Tea was prepared by students in Mrs. William Watchulonis' Home-making class, and served by student teachers from College Misericordia.

THAT'S A DEPRESSED AREA?



Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer—D. A. Waters

Well known in this area for nearly seventy years and in Dallas Borough for about half that length of time, John H. Frantz died recently in Cleveland, Ohio, at age 84.

A little over fifty years ago, with his father-in-law John B. Hildebrandt, Mr. Frantz bought the Charles D. Gregory grist mill along the railroad tracks on the southeast side of Rice or Mill Street. It was a grinding mill then, quite an interesting operation, which elevated grain and then passed it down through various processes, until it came out as flour or feed or both. The firm also sold processed products of a similar nature, hay, straw, fertilizer, coal, etc. This is the building used by A. C. Devens for storage, across the street from his office. The adjoining building was remodeled, was the barn used for the heavy teams used in the business. These were soon followed by trucks.

The partners built adjoining new houses on Norton Avenue. Mr. Hildebrandt owned and lived in the corner house at Spring Street, now occupied by the Joseph family. The Frantz family, including Mrs. Frantz, Ola Hildebrandt, and daughter Arline, lived next door. Arline became a teacher and taught in Dallas schools for a time.

In 1911, Mr. Frantz was elected a trustee of The Methodist Church and served on the official board in various capacities for many years. Ola Frantz sang in the church choir and was active in the women's organizations of the church. Mr. Frantz was active in civic affairs and held various borough offices. His signature appears on my high school diploma, 1911, along with W. H. Whipp, F. M. Gordon, Chester White, F. M. Garahan, and William Bulford. He survived all the others.

Mr. Frantz was noted for a smile or a grin, which ever seemed appropriate, and liked to chuckle and laugh heartily. One day I happened to go into his place of business

and he was laughing with no one in sight. Said he, "I just started something, and you watch a few months and see if I am not telling the truth." Then he went on to explain that he had just arranged a nice local girl, of rather uncertain age, to a likely fellow from a nearby town. His laughter was justified. Shortly thereafter they were married and some of their descendants live in town to this day.

Another time we fell to discussing the public schools. Like many others, he felt that the modern schools (this was before World War 1) were not as efficient as the old ones. Then he gave me a problem used extensively in old Dallas High School by Prof. Frank F. Morris:

"A farmer with a barn fifty feet square tied a cow at the middle of one side with a hundred and twenty-five feet of rope. How many square feet can she graze?"

I went home and used up a couple of sheets of foolscap and a lot of time before I fell on a solution. Since that time I have used this problem regularly to take the wind out of the mathematical smart alecs, and usually get them in a daze on a few minutes. Then they sneak off to some high school teacher for help.

Also, quoting Mr. Morris, Mr. Frantz said he would like to see any present day high school pupils start out from scratch and translate the Lord's Prayer into Latin and make it come out like the official Church Latin version. Of course the trick in this was that the several English versions do not include the final clauses at all.

In a friendly letter to my wife, Mrs. Bertha Blockage, wife of David Blockage, one of the first printers on the DALLAS POST and long time barber, printer, and local politician in Dallas, asks about her old friends and comments on his column. She says they are both well.

Safety Valve

APPRECIATES CONCERT

Dear Editor:
On Sunday, February 18th we had the privilege of attending a concert and recital on the organ at the new High School. We would like to extend our congratulations and praise to the Dallas Area School District for putting its equipment and facilities to such use, whereby the public is able to enjoy this new building as well as to have their cultural needs full filled.

Recently we read or heard that our new modern expensive schools are not being fully utilized in many respects, but we feel that the Dallas Area Schools are proceeding in the right direction in this matter, with evening classes for adult education and such an affair as was held Sunday.

We hope in the near future more opportunities of this nature will be made available to the residents of the Back Mountain Area. Once again we say to our local school authorities, "Thank you."

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Love and Family

WE MISS HER, TOO

Dear Mr. Risley:
As everyone knows the Dyer's loved every part of Dallas—but Norton Ave., especially, will never be the same without Maggie.

She meant so very much to each of us and the most beautiful words written about her in the Dallas Post just received were to us the most gracious expression of love I've ever read.

Thank you,
Sincerely,
Virginia K. Dyer
Largo, Fla.

The line between properties is never more closely defined than when your neighbor shovels his front walk.

Turn Signals Now Required On All Autos

Trucks Must Have Additional Flashers Under New State Law

Owners of passenger and commercial vehicles in Pennsylvania must bring vehicles into compliance with new lighting and reflector equipment requirements as quickly as possible.

Recent amendments to the Motor Vehicle Code require that all vehicles including passenger type be equipped with electrically operated directional signals, and that commercial vehicles meet new standards involving approved lights and reflectors, plus the installation of a hazard warning switch.

Commissioner O. D. Shipley, Commission of Traffic Safety, said, "Although the deadline for compliance with the new amendments has been extended until October 31, it would be unwise for vehicle owners to wait until the last minute to have new equipment installed. The best time to have this work done is during the semi-annual inspection periods."

The electrical turn signal requirement will affect older model autos, other than those registered as "antique," as well as foreign-made cars and commercial vehicles not equipped with turn signals.

Among the more important of the new lighting provisions affecting commercial vehicles is one requiring hazard warning switch equipment.

"The new hazard signaling is an important safety innovation that will reduce the number of rear-end collisions at night," Commissioner Shipley said.

The law states that every motor bus, motor omnibus, and every commercial vehicle including pickup trucks and house trailers must be equipped with a switch which will cause signals to flash simultaneously when the vehicle is disabled on a highway or its shoulder.

The hazard switch regulation also calls for a red "tell-tale" indicator either installed on the dash or incorporated in the switch itself. Equipment must be of a type approved by the Secretary of Revenue.

Shipley pointed out that the switch requirement is patterned after a recent Interstate Commerce Commission rule and that Pennsylvania is the first state to adopt and apply the I.C.C. standard on a state-wide basis.

The Commissioner said, "The new lighting standards give Pennsylvania the most complete vehicle lighting program of any state in the nation."

Mrs. Arline Rood Wins PTA Life Membership

Those who attended the Dallas Borough PTA meeting on Monday evening were enthralled by the program. Miss Enid Housty, senior in the music department at College Misericordia, from Georgetown, British Guiana, gave a brief piano recital, brilliant and inspiring.

A birthday party in recognition of Founders' Day was held, and a collection taken for Pennsylvania Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Mrs. Arline Rood was given honorary life membership in the PTA.

Mrs. Stephen Hartman, Jr., presided. Plans were revealed for a movie which will be held March 3 at the Dallas Township school, open to children of all ages.

Room visitations were held, and a social period followed. Refreshments were served by mothers of Mrs. Steele's and Miss Davis' third grades. The attendance award was won by Mrs. Fleming's second grade.

More Trout For Area Lakes This Week

Pennsylvania Fish Commission planted 1500 brook and 1500 rainbow trout at Lake Silkworth on Monday.

Two plantings of trout were scheduled for this week at Harveys Lake, one on Monday, of 2,500 and 2,500 rainbow trout, and one on Wednesday, 4,000 each of brook and rainbow trout.

The first planting took place last Friday, 4,000 rainbow, 4,000 brook.

Plantings of large trout are made, not fingerlings.

Electric Home Heating Advantages Outlined

If you're planning to build or remodel, heating experts claim your home will stay modern if you select electric heat. They state that there are no fumes, no smoke or soot, because there are no ducts, chimney, or furnace!

That means electric heat system installation costs are lower. And with an electric heating system there are no seasonal check-ups and clean-ups to get ready for the heating months. Service is reduced too, for electric heat has no moving parts. There is less chance for breakdowns in the middle of a cold snap.

For full electric home heating system details, call your electric power company.

A smart man never tells his wife a secret—he just thinks he does.

Pillar To Post...

by Hix

I had been looking forward to getting back my savings account pass-book. Like a miser gloating over his coins, I had figured out the amount of interest due since the last deposit some three years before, and visualized the nice black figures, added for free to the total.

There were things about that pass-book that I treasured. Twenty years old, it was, and its entries sketched a history. There was the happy time when a small legacy came my way, and was promptly stashed away to hatch.

There was the year when everything was going out and nothing coming in, a painful account of withdrawal after withdrawal.

There was the sizable figure representing the down payment on a house, and a corresponding entry from my mother. How many years ago? Twelve? Thirteen?

Then, for a time, there were steady deposits. Birthday presents and Christmas presents. An occasional welcome bonus. Repayment, me to me, of moneys abstracted for the account with a firm resolve to replace them.

One withdrawal indicated a drilled well, and a pretty penny THAT took out of the account.

A graph of a period, a whole middle of a life.

There were some important dates to remember. They were doubtless entered in the House Book, but they would also appear in the pass-book.

Let's see, now, when it was that a daughter-in-law was at the point of death? Ten years ago, eleven? The pass-book holds the answer. The years are beginning to fly. The pass-book holds them all. Important transactions, personal things. Not to be entrusted to a check book, buried in the anonymous mechanization of a modern bank.

The envelope from the bank. The decision not to open it until evening, when there would be time to go over it at leisure, and run a finger down the entries, the tragic and the triumphant, reliving an important period of time.

The envelope seems strangely glossy. How nice of the bank to replace it with a new jacket.

And now for the pass-book. Stiff and new and gleaming, it emerged from the jacket.

Only one entry, the latest. Plus of course the interest. And the total.

Twenty years reduced to one line. "You can't do this to me," I wailed over the phone the next day. "Where is my old pass-book?"

"But you have a nice new passbook, and it is all up to date, interest and all. You NEEDED a new book."

"It isn't the same. I need the entries and the dates. Please send me my old book."

"We changed ALL the books some time ago. The only reason your's wasn't changed is because you haven't made any deposits recently."

(Maybe I should let the bank in on the news that Savings Loan Associations yield a better rate of interest, and that any little spare change that came my way was automatically put to work in a more fertile soil.)

"Won't you see if you can locate it? I need it for reference."

"We'll look. Could be it's down in the storage room instead of having been destroyed."

"Oh, THANK YOU."

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.)

Jefferson Davis Becomes South's First President

RICHMOND, Va.—Feb. 22—Jefferson Davis was inaugurated as permanent president of the Confederate States of America in a rain-soaked ceremony here today.

The 53-year-old native of Mississippi gave a crackling inaugural address, criticizing the north's President Abraham Lincoln on several points, but seemed unable to draw the crowd out of its general air of gloom.

Accounts reaching this Confederate capital of decisive defeats in Tennessee, notably at Fort Donelson last week, have plunged the city into despair and forboding.

Alexander H. Stephens of Georgia, 50-year-old former Congressman, was sworn in as vice-president. He and Davis were named to their posts provisionally when the interim Confederate government was formed a year ago.

Davis is a striking-looking man—more than six feet tall, with finely-etched features and eyes the color of pine cone smoke.

He served as secretary of war under President Franklin Pierce from 1853 to 1857 and was twice a U.S. Senator from Mississippi.

BORN JUNE 3, 1803, in Kentucky—ironically, only 100 miles from the birthplace of Lincoln—Davis was the 10th child of Samuel Davis, a tobacco planter who served in Georgia during the Revolutionary War.

Davis attended Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky., and later the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, graduating in 1833, 23rd in a class of 33.

He served in the Blackhawk war and with distinction in the Mexican conflict, being wounded at Buena Vista.

Personal tragedy blighted his young adulthood. His first wife Sarah, daughter of former president Zachary Taylor, died three months after their marriage. The present Mrs. Davis, the former Anne Howell, is the daughter of a rich Mississippi planter.

The Davis plantation, "Brierfield," on the high banks of the Mississippi, is a Southern show-place.

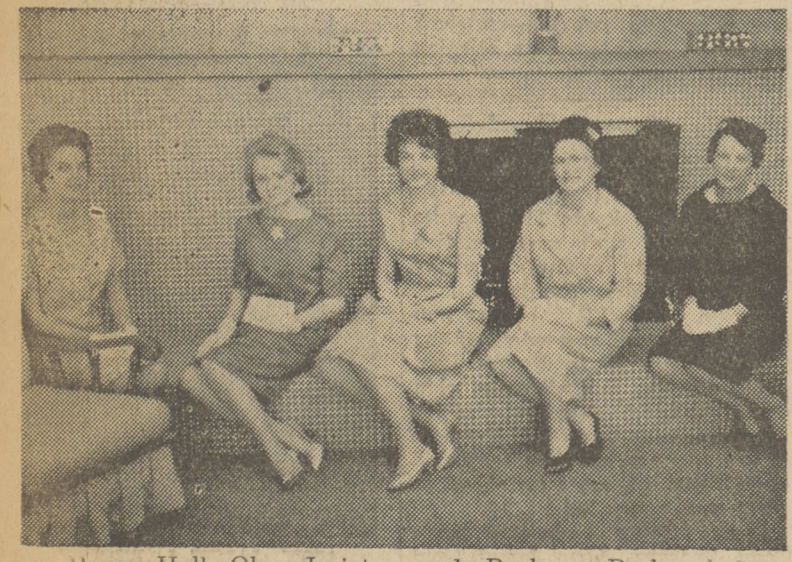
WHILE SERVING in Congress as a representative of Georgia, Stephens, a small, intense man, earned a reputation as a hard and unwavering fighter.

He and Lincoln were allied, as fellow Whig congressmen, in opposing the Mexican war, and Stephens has battled incessantly

Dallas Woman's Club Sponsors Annual Vogue Pattern Contest



Mrs. Fred Eck, narrator for the Vogue Fashion contest, sits at the left by Mrs. Raymond Goeringer, one of the judges. Standing are Mrs. Gustav Kabschat and Miss Marian Wolfe.



Peggy Hall, Olga Jerista, and Barbara Prokopchak, home-making students, and Mrs. Victor Cross and Mrs. Robert Milne are modelling outfits of their own making.

Winners of the Vogue sewing contest, sponsored by Dallas Senior and Junior Woman's Club, with prizes awarded on Monday at Dallas Senior High School, are: Peggy Hall, first prize; Barbara Prokopchak, second; runner-up, Olga Jerista; among the women, Mrs. Victor Cross and Mrs. Robert Milne.

Judging was done in the Home Economics Room by Mrs. Gustav Kabschat, Dallas, regional manager for Beauty Counselor Make-Up; Mrs. Raymond Goeringer, sewing instructor at Dallas night school; Mrs. Marian Wolfe, fashion coordinator from Fowler Dick and Wacker.

First Prize winner may enter the district contest at Bethlehem March 15. The winner in this contest will enter a State contest. The National contest offers a first prize of \$1,000. Contestants locally had planned

to appear at the Wednesday meeting of Dallas Woman's Club, but the meeting was postponed because of heavy snow.

Mrs. Cross modelled a beige wool ensemble with brown hat and accessories. Mrs. Milne showed a basic black wool suit with short box jacket and three-quarter sleeves.

Peggy Hall wore a jacket dress in powder blue brocade, a basic sheath with jacket. Barbara Prokopchak modelled a gold brocade afternoon dress, cut in a low V front and back. Olga Jerista wore a royal blue outfit with separate jacket, and jewel neckline, three quarter sleeves.

Tea was prepared by students in Mrs. William Watchulonis' Home-making class, and served by student teachers from College Misericordia.

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