

## James Durkin Made Director Of Penn Life

Philadelphia, March 14—James J. Durkin, Shrine View, has been elected to the board of directors of American Penn Life Insurance Company according to an announcement by George L. Sall, chairman.

Prominent in the insurance field and active in other extensive enterprises, as well as political circles, Mr. Durkin will bring invaluable knowledge and experience to the management levels of the rapidly expanding company, Mr. Sall asserted.

Mr. Durkin entered the insurance business as an agent for Philadelphia Life Insurance Company in 1947; in 1949 he opened his own general agency for the company at Wilkes-Barre. He now serves as general agent for Crown Life Insurance Company of Canada. For the past fourteen years, Durkin has been a member of the industry's Million Dollar Round Table, signifying the extent to his sales volume during the period.

Durkin was born in Germantown, Philadelphia, and educated in Philadelphia schools. For many years a resident of Dallas, he is president of Bristol Coal Company and a director of Wyoming National Bank. In addition, he is president of Great West Coal Sales Company, 19 Rectory Street, New York City.

He also is treasurer of the Luzerne County Republican Committee and serves on the Development Council of Kings College in Wilkes-Barre. Durkin is a member of the Westmoreland Club and Valley Country Club.

He is married to the former Anna Jean Edmondson of Danville. They have four children.

## Rushed to Hospital In Dallas Ambulance

Mrs. Leslie Hilbert is showing improvement at Nesbitt Hospital where she was taken in Dallas Community Ambulance, Saturday afternoon.

Stricken with a heart attack while alone at her home on Lehman Avenue, she was barely able to reach the front door and call for help. Don Weener, a neighbor who was just leaving his home, heard her and summoned Dr. Harry Galager and the ambulance, manned by Donald Bulford and Robert Besicker who administered oxygen.

Dr. Gallagher had nothing but praise for the promptness with which local ambulances respond to calls, "Few people," he said, "actually appreciate the wonderful service being performed by a few men at real sacrifice to their comfort, personal and business lives. These ambulances are the finest thing in our community."

## Mrs. J. K. Murray Finds Horned Grebe

Edwin Johnson of Dallas, founder of Back Mountain Bird Club reports that Mrs. J. K. Murray of Jackson has found a Horned Grebe in the snow. It was in good condition and Johnson banded it and turned it over to the Pennsylvania Game Protector Edward Gdosky. Inasmuch as the Horned Grebe is unable to get into the air from the land but has to take off from water, Gdosky took it to Arnold's Creek at Sweet Valley and released it from there.

## Register On Monday In Borough Building

John Yapel, dyed-in-the-wool Dallas Township Republican leader, urges all voters who want to vote for Bill Scranton for Governor to be sure to register at Dallas Borough Building Monday at anytime until 9 p.m.

Mr. Yapel did not say what voters should do who want to vote for Richardson Dilworth, but they, too, should register Monday.

No voters can change their party after the May 15 Primary. Any Back Mountain voter who has not yet registered, who has recently moved into the area, has changed his voting district or wishes to change his party affiliation may do so Monday at the Borough Building.

## Gates Will Attend Safety Conference

Major William T. Gates of Wilkes-Barre, chief of the safety division in the 1607th Military Air Transport Service Wing at Dover Air Force Base, has received a White House invitation to attend President Kennedy's conference on occupational safety.

Major Gates is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gates of Huntsville.

His wife is the former Gertrude M. Mahar of Kingston.

Major Gates is a brother of Paul Gates, Sterling Ave., Dallas, and Mrs. John Kupstas, Huntsville.

## Wins Poster Award



Janet Cleasby, 13, seventh grade student at Dallas Junior High School received one of the awards for an outstanding poster in the National Safety Poster Contest sponsored by Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis and American Automobile Association at a luncheon in Hotel Sterling.

One of the judges states that Miss Cleasby's entry was the finest piece of graphic art he had seen in this area.

Mr. John F. Rosser, principal of Dallas Junior High, enthusiastically endorsed the Safety Poster Campaign which resulted in more than 50 posters being submitted by students of the regular Art Classes taught by Mr. J. Philip Richards.

Six of the Dallas Junior High School entries have been sent on to the national competition in Washington, D.C. We are hoping that we will have further success with our posters in the nationwide contest. Posters designed by: Richard Ranalunas, Alfred Mahler, Robert Graham and Linda Ell are included in the group.

Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cleasby, Davis St., Trucksville.

## Shavertown PTA To Have Panel On Foreign Languages Monday

Shavertown elementary P.T.A. will meet Monday night with Mrs. John M. Rodgers presiding. Panel Discussion on "Foreign Languages — Yes or No," will be moderated by Alfred M. Camp, with the following Panel members: Miss Mary Glowacki, William A. Austin, Mrs. Ruth M. Fossedal, and John Thomas.

It will open with a brief talk by Miss Mary Glowacki, Nanticoke, a graduate of University of Pennsylvania who has done extensive work in Polish Universities since 1937. With a Master's Degree from Columbia University she has taught Latin and French in Nanticoke High School 25 years. She was Dean of Women and Instruction in Polish at Alliance College, Cambridge Springs, Pa., and is now teaching 1157 pupils each week in Kingston Elementary grades. She teaches French, German and Spanish and has made 6 European trips and has delivered over 200 Travelogues. She has studied 8 languages, talks in 5.

The Moderator, Alfred M. Camp is music instructor at Dallas Junior High School. A graduate from Wilkes College he has his Master's Degree in Education (Administration) from Bucknell, a Master's in Psychology from Scranton University. He is doing graduate work at the University of Scranton.

John Thomas, Panel Member, is Elementary Guidance Counselor in the Dallas School District, is a member of Pennsylvania Study Council for Enrichment of the School Curriculum. A graduate of West Chester State Teachers College he has done graduate work at West Chester and now is studying at University of Scranton.

William Austin, Panel Member, is Supervisor of the Dallas Elementary grades. He is a graduate of Bloomsburg State Teachers College, has a Master's Degree in Education from Pennsylvania State University.

Ruth M. Fossedal, Panel Member, teaches history in Dallas Junior High School. She was graduated cum laude from Beloit College, Beloit, Wis. She has taught in South America, Maryland and Williamsport.

The public is invited to this meeting. Questions should be written at the meeting.

Robert Voelker has called a meeting at 7:45 of all Homeroom Mothers to plan the Spring Fun Festival for May 5. The Nominating Committee will be elected Monday evening. Discussion can be held

## NOTICE

Chief of Police Frank "Pete" Lang, Dallas Township, asks people who have reports for the police to dial number, OR 4-7154, not his home number.

## Dallas Directors Alternate Place Of Meetings

### Stannous Flouride Treatment Given For 198 Children

In accordance with action taken at the February meeting, Dallas School directors, held Tuesday night's meeting at Westmoreland elementary school. Sessions henceforth will alternate between Dallas Senior High School Library, and the other school buildings of the district. The plan gives board members a chance to become acquainted with facilities and improvements.

In the absence of Charles Manner, Dr. Robert Bodycomb presided.

Annual dinner of the Evening Extension School was announced to take place in the high school cafeteria April 7, with school board members as guests.

Purchase of playground equipment for Westmoreland at a cost of \$1,013 was voted.

Chester Molley was granted a sabbatical leave of absence for the 1962-63 school year, in order to complete requirements for his Ph.D. in English at State University.

Stannous flouride treatment was announced as continuing. The program, started in the first grade two years ago, continues with the same children on an experimental basis. This year 198 children are being treated by Mrs. Irene Evans, oral hygienist.

Permission was granted Dallas Senior High School Band to conduct a program at Retreat State Hospital at the convenience of Recreation director, Robert Reed and of Lester Lewis, band director.

Permission was granted to Donald J. Evans, teacher of economics and problems of democracy, George McCutcheon, guidance counselor and two 11th grade students to attend the Social Science Day at Lebanon Valley College, March 24.

McCutcheon and Robert Dolbear were granted permission to take 22 members of the Key Club to the State Convention of Key Clubs at Pittsburgh, April 6, 7 and 8. Advisors and Key Club members will travel by bus together with Kingston, Nanticoke and Swoyersville clubs. Expenses will be covered by individual members.

Permission was granted Louise Ohlman, choral director, and Betty Jean Davis, Sally Moyer, Elsa Orchard and Peggy Hall, to participate in the PMEA district choral festival April 12, 13, and 14 at Canton.

To McCutcheon and John Thomas, counsellors, to attend the annual conference of Pennsylvania School Conference Association, March 29, 30 and 31 at Hershey.

To William A. Austin, W. Frank Trimble and John Rosser to attend the 13th annual spring conference of the Pennsylvania Association for Study and Education of the Mentally Gifted, scheduled for Friday and Saturday, April 27 and 28, at Sunbury.

To Frank Hemingway, manager of the cafeteria service, to attend the Cafeteria Management meetings of the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials at Boiling Springs, May 3 and 4.

Vacation schedule for custodians was approved. Replacement of a

## Cheerleaders Win Class Competition At Bloomsburg



Here are the Dallas Varsity Cheerleaders, winners of the Class A competition at the Bloomsburg State College Tournament. This outstanding squad was awarded a trophy last Saturday night during the halftime of the Plymouth. Our Lady of Lourdes basketball game.

The girls are noted for their enthusiasm and peppy cheers and for their colorful halftime routine, a new addition to Dallas basketball games. The squad, composed of eight seniors and two sophomores, contributed greatly to the faithful support given Dallas athletic teams.

Left to right are: Susie Dorrance, Georgia McCutcheon, Glenda Williams, Sandy Ambrose, Nancy Elston and Judy Woolbert (co-captains), Carol Dungey, Carol Spare, Margie Walp, and Peggy Jordan. Miss Emma Engler is their coach. Junior Varsity Cheerleaders who had the opportunity to substitute during the season and did a fine job were Judi Wright and Sheryl Stanley. Other JV Cheerleaders are Linda Woolbert, Margie Davis, Susie Cheney, and Andrea Krimmel.

## Dallas Key Club Leads In State

Has 387 Points Out  
Of Possible 400

Of the 12 Key Clubs in the State, Dallas ranks first, having earned 387 out of a possible 400 total points.

Dallas has led Division 15 since school began.

The results of the recent Dallas Key Club election are as follows; President, Gary Cobb; Vice President, Bob Letts; Secretary, John Molski; Treasurer, John Brominski; Chaplain, Don Anderson; and Sergeant at Arms, Mike Jones and John Schaffer.

The new officers will be formally installed at the first night meeting after the State Convention in Pittsburgh, April 6, 7, and 8.

The Key Club will sponsor an elementary school basketball game tomorrow night and an "Aunt Jeannette" pancake supper later this spring to support its "Keys To Denver" campaign.

Tickets for the basketball game are 50 cents, and tickets for the pancake supper are \$1.00 for adults, and 50 cents for children. The basketball game will be held this Friday, and tickets can be purchased from any Key Club member.

storage battery stand-by light plant at Dallas Elementary School, was approved subject to approval by the Bureau of School Buildings, Department of Public Instruction, before the secretary may advertise for bids.

Mrs. Josephine G. Berkey, 19 West Fallbrook Avenue, Dallas, was added to the list of available substitute teachers. Mrs. Berkey was graduated from Juniata College with BS degree in elementary education. She has had teaching experience in Huntingdon Public Schools and operated a private kindergarten for three years in Huntingdon.

Addition of Mrs. Sheldon E. Bennett, Trucksville, to the list available substitute workers in the cafeteria service, was approved.

## Civil Defense Workers To Learn How To Use Detection Instruments

A special ten-hour course in atomic fall-out detection will be conducted over a five-week period in two hour sessions by Col. Leon Beisel for Civil Defense Personnel who wish to learn more about the new detection equipment supplied to Luzerne County.

All civil Defense personnel in the Borough and Townships of Sect-

or 4 are urged to attend these courses which will be held in the Library of Dallas Senior High School starting tonight at 7:30.

Seven or eight of the instruments will be supplied to this area, only if the trained personnel is available to use them. It is therefore urgent that all Civil Defense personnel take part in the training program.

## Coolbaugh Brothers Visit Parents After Long Cruise On Same Ship

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Coolbaugh, Shaver Avenue, had a welcome visit with their sons, FN. Laing Coolbaugh and SM. Merton Coolbaugh, who have been cruising in the Mediterranean aboard the USS Wood County L.S.T. for a period of five months.

They made port in Italy, Spain, France, Turkey and spent Christmas in Greece. They are now stationed in Norfolk, Va. Laing is married to the former Priscilla Martin, Dallas.

On his recent visit home, he brought his wife and Seaman and Mark Copeland also stationed in Norfolk, formerly of Illinois. They left Sunday for their home base. Their ship is comparatively new and makes many cruises. Their next will be in the Caribbean in April. These brothers are fortunate to be aboard the same ship. They have also travelled extensively in South America. Merton, 23, has been in service six years, Laing, 20, and has been in two years.

## T. M. B. Hicks In Serious Condition With Meningitis

There is little change in the condition of Thomas M. B. Hicks, Pioneer Avenue, first manager of the Wyoming Industrial Fund and former manager of Pomeroy's Department Store, who is seriously ill with meningitis at Nesbitt Hospital where he was taken early Sunday morning in Dallas Community Ambulance.

Mr. Hicks is the husband of Mrs. T.M.B. Hicks of the Dallas Post staff and author of Pillar To Post.

Now employed in New York City with the George S. May Company, Mr. Hicks was in his usual good health when he arrived home to spend the weekend with his wife, but was taken ill during the night; became unconscious before morning, and has remained in that condition ever since.

He is being treated by Dr. Charles Perkins.

No visitors or flowers are permitted.

## Free Show Tonight At Dallas Drive-In

Dallas Outdoor Theatre, now under the ownership of Fox Outdoor Theatres, will open tonight with a free showing of "Tunnel of Love." The community is invited to attend as guests of the management.

James Stiefel, formerly manager of the Fox Theatre in Pottsville, has been named manager of the local Drive-In which will be open weekends until April when pictures will be shown on an every night schedule.

Tomorrow night, Saturday and Sunday nights, Butterfield 8 with Elizabeth Taylor, will be the featured attraction.

Carleton Degenhart, field representative of the Fox firm was in Dallas this week making arrangements for the pre-season opening of Dallas Outdoor Theatre. He said the concession building has been completely remodeled in ultra modern cafeteria style and that many other improvements and renovations are contemplated just as soon as weather permits.

## L. A. Genetti Dies;

Leon A. Genetti Sr., prominent in the grocery and restaurant business in the Hazleton area for many years, died Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital, Hazleton, where he was admitted as a patient Saturday night. He was the father of Gus Genetti.

Willard Newberry will be in charge of the work.

Rev. Smith said his congregation has at least two sites in mind in Dallas Borough but did not care to comment further.

The present Free Methodist Church is located on Mill Street, near Devens Mill. Rev. Smith said that site would not be used because a regulation of the church conference stipulates that any new church must be built on a site with minimum specified requirements (for parking).

Rev. Smith said Caddie LaBar has offered to furnish transportation for lumber, but other trucks will be needed. He also seeks information on available buildings where the lumber may be stored until construction starts. He may be reached at OR 4-7146.

## Former Owner Helps Church Get Building

### Highway Department Cooperates To Aid Free Methodists

Through the good offices of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways and Al Rebennack, Kingston Home Appliance Dealer, Dallas Free Methodist Church may within a period of time have a new church edifice.

Rev. Ralph Smith, pastor, announced this week that the building, formerly occupied by Dr. Richard Crompton's offices in Trucks-

ville, has been given to his congregation.

The building will be razed. All materials and lumber will be salvaged and stored for use in the future construction of a new church.

The two-story building, at one time occupied by American Stores, and later by Peter Malkemes' Restaurant, has a depth of 100 feet and width of thirty feet.

The lower floor was until recently used by Dr. Crompton for his offices. The second floor is divided into two apartments.

There are two complete heating systems, one hot water and one steam, lavatories and bathrooms among the salvage.

Rev. Smith said the building was originally purchased by the State from Mr. Rebennack to make way for the new highway.

He discussed purchase of a building for salvage with State Highway officials in Scranton who told him that they would make arrangements to transfer this building back to Mr. Rebennack with the stipulation that he in turn give it to the church.

Now Rev. Smith's problem is to find persons who are willing to contribute their services toward taking the building down. He has been given until May 1 to accomplish the job.

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## With Tunkhannock Firm

Robert Hislop Sr., formerly of Dallas, is now associated with Leopold Motors, Oldsmobile and Rambler distributors, in Tunkhannock.

## Receive God And Community Award



On Girl Scout Sunday, Dallas Methodist Church honored two Girl Scouts who completed requirements for "The God and Community Award."

Donna Smith, left, and Patti Larson, right, members of Troop 27, Dallas receive the awards being pinned on them by their mothers. These are the first such awards given in the Back Mountain and Wyoming Valley area.

Rev. Russell Lawry presented the awards to Mrs. Stanley B. Davies who represented the Girl Scout Council and the Official Board of the Church. Mrs. Davies is an honorary member of the Girl Scout association and is on the Board of Wyoming Valley Girl Scout Council. She presented the awards to

the mothers who pinned them on the girls.

This award for Protestant girls was launched a year and a half ago. As required, each girl worked for a year with her pastor on the projects which included service to the church, a study of the history of the church, and the contribution the church makes to the community.

The activity is sponsored by United Church Women of Wyoming Valley Council of Churches in cooperation with the Girl Scout office.

Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Smith, West Dallas. Patti is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Larson, Elmcrest.