

## Board Reelects Mellman, Gives 4-Year Contract

### Schools Report Number Of Minor Breaks In Buildings, Call Police

Dr. Robert A. Mellman, superintendent of Dallas Schools, was unanimously reelected Tuesday evening by the school board, with an increase in salary from \$13,500 to \$14,000, under a four-year contract. Dr. Mellman has been superintendent for two years, starting at the \$13,000 level, with a raise last year.

Dr. Robert Bodycomb, chairman of Teachers Committee, presided over the election, receiving the gavel from Charles Manneer, school-board president.

An executive session preceded the monthly meeting held in Dallas Senior High School Library.

Walter Prokopchak, speaking for the Teachers Organization, called attention to the spring dinner, scheduled for Saturday, May 12, at Irem Temple Country Club, asking for reservation by May 1.

A number of minor breaks were reported: John Rosser, principal of Dallas Junior High School reported a break into the gymnasium. Offenders were arrested by police. The second break, occurring also on Monday, April 2, was the lock on the annex door at Dallas Borough, reported by Louise Colwell. Nothing was missing. The same thing occurred the following Monday.

Westmoreland Elementary School was entered on Friday, April 6. Principal John Mulhern reported the window in the boiler-room door was broken, and the door standing open.

Daylight saving was adopted, to begin the last Sunday in April, continue until the last Sunday in October.

Easter vacation was voted extended, to run from April 16 to April 23, a full week of spring holiday. "Snow days," allowed for in the calendar, have been scarce this winter, resulting in surplus time.

### Cafeteria

A chart of cafeteria management was submitted to directors, together with menus, and listing of surplus foods received, with their utilization in lunches served students. For the year to date, cafeteria operation shows a loss. Month of March was in the black.

During the month, surplus food included 40 cases of cheese.

### Personnel

George McCutcheon's resignation as assistant varsity basketball coach was accepted. Sheldon Mosier's request to be relieved of summer assignment was granted, and a ten-month contract substituted at a decrease in salary.

John L. Paul, Wilkes-Barre, was approved as Supervisor of Maintenance, to exert control over custodians, and lending his own efforts toward repairs and reconditioning. He is an expert carpenter. Added to the list of substitutes were David M. Fischl, Wilkes-Barre, English and social studies; Mrs. Frederick Eck, Shavertown, school nurse.

Temporary professional employees: Nancy Jones, Patricia Whitaker, elementary; Lydia Jones, Donald Hoover, John Sulkoski, secondary.

Permission was granted to John Mulhern to attend summer camp with U.S. Army Reserve, May 13 to May 27; to William A. Austin to attend meeting of Elementary Supervisors in Milton April 12, and Annual Science and Conservation Workshop at Wylysing in May; to secondary school principals to attend Secondary School Principals Association annual meeting at Wilkes, April 26; to Thomas Jenkins to accompany cafeteria manager Frank Hemingway to Boiling Springs May 3 and 4.

### Health

Exclusion for chicken-pox during March, 8; measles, 1; poison ivy, 5; scarlet fever, 1; flu or virus, 32.

Absentee list for March, 3,228; number of pupils weighed and measured, 68.

### Miscellaneous

Kingston Township supervisors are considering removing a portion of the Westmoreland school site retaining wall. Report from Jack Stanley, chairman of building and grounds, was that his committee felt it was a good idea to straighten the road at this point, eliminating a dangerous curve. Supervisors plan to do the necessary grading on the school site.

Tax collections for March from Arthur Dungey were \$656.05; from Wilson Ryman, \$3,354.03; N. Eaton, \$1,133.45; Ted Poad, \$2,260.45. Treasurer's report showed a balance April 1 of \$212,804.24. Receipts for March included State Subsidy of \$212,723.85.

## Caddie Is Used To Being Robbed Of Knives, Guns

### Says Next Time Thieves Will Find A Large Rough Dog

Caddie LaBar says he's getting used to being burgled several times a year, but that this year they put tassels on the job...took a walkie-talkie from his stock, so that one man could keep on the lookout, ready to warn the rest of the gang.

Same old thing, says Caddie. In the early hours of Sunday morning, thieves made off with up to \$1,500 worth of pistols, fishing reels and rods, hunting knives. "You don't know just what you've lost," says Caddie, "but you keep on finding vacant spots where something that should be on the shelf, isn't."

Caddie always kept enough money on hand to make change with, when he opened Sunday morning at 9. This time, when he opened the store to a customer, he was minus \$103.

Caddie didn't lock up until half past twelve. It is presumed that the same thieves who broke into Betty Cease's Treasure and Gift Shop, employing the same method on the same night, were identical.

Thieves sawed through an iron bar, broke a window, battered down the door at the head of the stairs leading into the store.

Local police headed by Russell Honeywell, working with State Police, still have no lead.

Last year Caddie got everything back after a similar robbery.

Caddie says next time robbers break in, a surprise will be awaiting them. He plans to follow the example of several Dallas store-owners who have already installed large dogs on their premises. Nothing like a German shepherd to discourage thieves, he says.

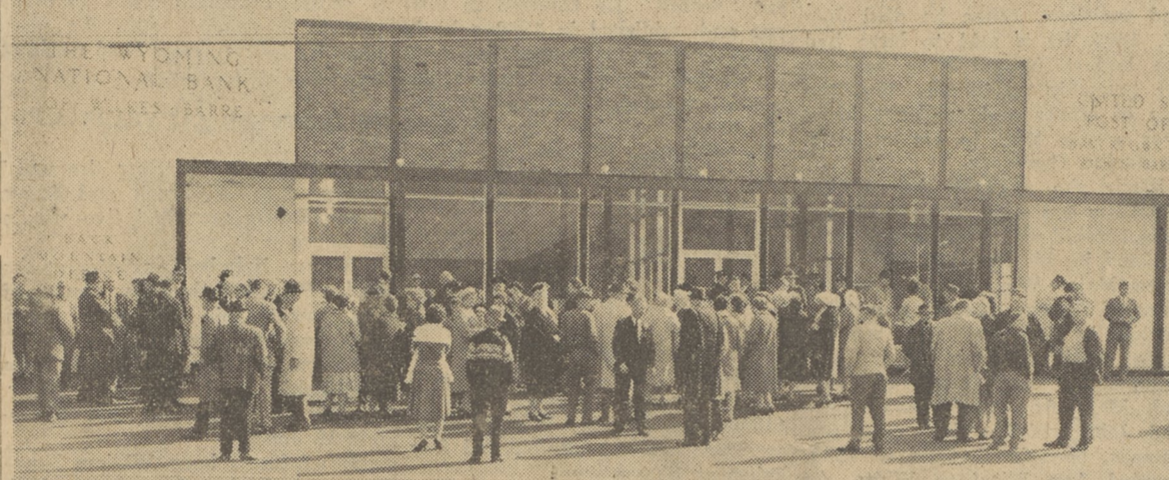
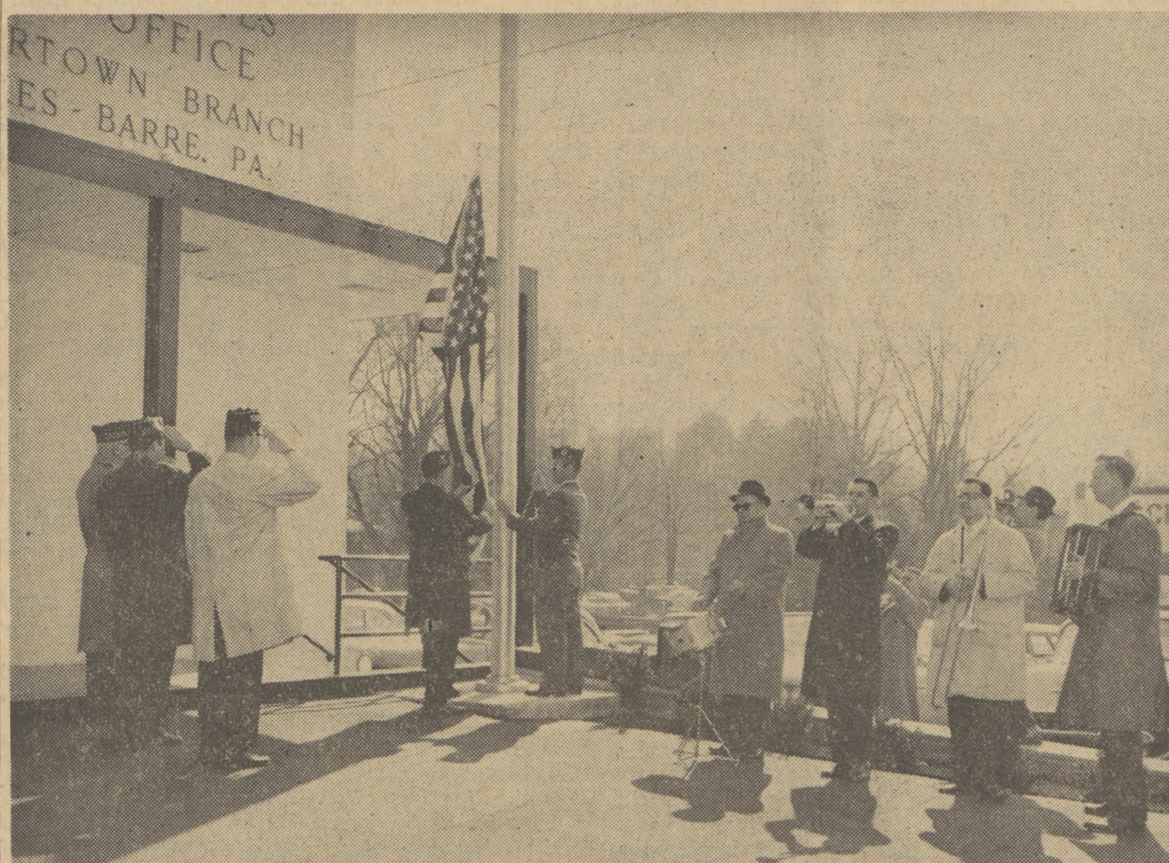
## Red Cross Asks Blood Donation

### Bloodmobile To Be At YMCA On April 27

Don't forget—the Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Back Mountain Branch YMCA building, Shavertown, April 27 from noon to 6. This collection will be for the Back Mountain PTA Council, which includes Shavertown, Trucksville, Dallas, and Westmoreland Elementary PTAs, and Dallas Junior and Senior High Schools, Commonwealth Telephone Company, Natona Mills, and Gate of Heaven PTA.

All blood chairmen are urged to contact donors so that each of these groups may meet their quota and insure an ample supply of certificates for residents of the Back Mountain.

## A Great Day In Shavertown



Top: Commander Edward Buckley and men of Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion raise the flag over the new Shavertown Postoffice while Bobby Baird and his orchestra play the Star Spangled Banner and the crowd joins in. Middle: Early arrivals await the opening ceremonies. Bottom: Judge W. Alfred Valentine, chairman of the Board of Wyoming National Bank, speaks briefly during the ceremonies just before the ribbon cutting. In the group are members of the Advisory Committee and Directors of Wyoming National Bank, Albert Bossard, president, left; Judge Thomas M. Lewis, right, and others. The weatherman cooperated providing a beautiful spring day. It was a great day in Shavertown for everybody.

## Seven Thousand Attended Back Mountain Lumber Company's Opening



Interior view of the beautiful new Back Mountain Lumber Company Hardware and Gift Store which was visited by more than 7,000 persons during its opening days last Thursday, Friday and Saturday. This view gives only a small idea of the extent of Back Mountain Lumber & Coal Company's extensive operations. The basement of this building, as large as the storm-room itself, is filled with spring and summer merchandise stocked neatly on great rows of modern steel shelving reaching almost from floor to ceiling. During the opening the store was filled with hundreds of floral tributes from well wishers and representatives of national hardware magazines were here to cover the story and obtain photographs for their publications.

## Kickoff Dinner Offers Unusual Door Attraction

### Somebody Will Win Handsome Hot-Point Steel-Topped Range

Library Auction Kick-Off Dinner May 3 at Irem Country Club will have, as a drawing card, a door prize that is guaranteed to bring out a banner attendance.

Courtesy of United Gas Improvement Company, and to go on display at Back Mountain Lumber



HARRY LEFKO

Company very shortly, is the bait—a forty-inch Hot-Point electric range topped in gleaming stainless steel, the most modern piece of cooking apparatus on the market.

Everybody who buys a ticket to the smorgasbord dinner, buys automatically a chance to facelift the home kitchen.

An added attraction, just announced by Auction Chairman Dick Demmy, is appearance of Aunt Jemima in person, to sing for the assembly.

Lee Vincent's combo will entertain.

Harry Lefko, dinner chairman, has as advisor last year's dinner chairman Charles Manneer.

Dick Demmy will emcee the program. Myron Baker will give the authentic auction touch by offering a few choice items for sale.

Next year's Auction chairman will be introduced by this year's chairman. Speeches will be held to the absolute minimum. This get-together is strictly for fun, and proceedings will not be allowed to drag.

Harry Lefko has some surprises up his sleeve. (Harry, you have been warned.)

The Sixteenth Annual Library Auction is scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 5, 6, and 7, in Risley's Barnyard. Committees are already hard at work. The Kick-Off Dinner launches the effort officially.

## Bells Will Ring On Patriot's Day

### Legion Taking Part In National Event

Residents of Dallas today were urged to participate on April 19, in a nationwide demonstration of patriotism and National Unity to be proclaimed by the ringing of bells, by Commander Ed Buckley, of Post 672, The American Legion (here).

With the cooperation of Gate of Heaven Church, College Misericordia and Dallas Methodist Church, the American Legion will observe Patriots Day, April 19, with the ringing of bells for four minutes beginning at 1 p.m. to 1:04 p.m.

He pointed out that National Commander Charles L. Bacon of The American Legion had appointed Adm. Anleigh A. Burke (USN) (Ret.) to head up a "Bells-Across-The-Nation Committee to which Commander Buckley has been appointed as a personal representative of the Legion National Commander. This National Committee seeks the organization of Community Committee throughout the United States to join in this Nation-wide demonstration of National Unity.

The observance in Dallas will coincide with those of thousands of other cities, towns, and villages throughout the nation where church bells, school bells, carillons, chimes, etc., will ring out in unison, giving a dramatic emphasis to America's declaration of National unity.

"The close cooperation and assistance given by all who have consented to participate in this patriotic endeavor gives further significance to the great spirit of unity which is America."

## Back Mountain Police Association Tonight

Back Mountain Police Association will meet tonight at Dallas American Legion Home at 7:30, to hear Judge Bernard Brominski speak on the Domestic Relations Court.

## LOUISE MARKS RATES CONGRATULATIONS IN METRO PUBLICATIONS

In the current issue of Plus-Business, published monthly in New York City, Louise Marks has a citation from Editor Joseph A. Bernstein, plus a memo congratulating her on her clever utilization of a Metro service ad. A pair of eyes peering over a "No Odor" plug for Perlene, indicates that the customer doesn't need a nose to wrinkle when garments are sent to Davis Cleaners.

Nice bit of advertising for Davis, and a sheaf of posies for Louise, puts a lively and effective imagination to work for a local dry cleaner. Choice of "eyes" attention compeller from Metro to dramatize the "no odor" theme, was indeed an inspiration.

Here's the editorial comment, as printed in Plus Business: "Creative woman ad manager of the Dallas Post, Mrs. Louise Marks, puts a lively and effective imagination to work for a local dry cleaner. Choice of 'eyes' attention compeller from Metro to dramatize the 'no odor' theme, was indeed an inspiration."

## Key Club Escapes Tunnel Tragedy By Slim Seconds

### Boys On Way Back From Pittsburgh Rocked By Blast

Key Club boys from Dallas Senior High School, en route to Pittsburgh Sunday afternoon after attending the Key Club Convention at Hotel Hilton, heard a violent explosion one minute after they had safely passed through the tunnel under Tuscarora Mountain and were parking at the Howard Johnson Restaurant on the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

Looking back, they saw smoke pouring from the tunnel, and a mad tangle of traffic as all cars were halted.

A few moments later, word came that four people had burned to death not far from the east entrance, in the blazing wreckage of a collision between a heavily loaded trailer truck and a passenger car from Delaware.

Only three members of the Key Club Drill Team went with the other Key Club boys to Pittsburgh, an arrangement deemed advisable in view of the Drill Team's coming participation in Kiwanis International Convention in Denver in June. Barry Slocum, headed the workshop on service to the community; Robert Letts, Lt. Governor of District 15, of which Dallas is a part, had charge of the essay contest; Gary Cobb was the third Drill Team member.

Key Club members included John Brominski, Charles Kishbaugh, John Molski, Robert Wallace, Stuart Stahl, Robert Keay, Robert Shannon, Robert Peterson, Paul, Joseph Hand, Sicket, Tim Groff.

By 7:30 Sunday evening, Emmanuel's bus discharged Key Clubbers, with George McCutcheon and Robert Dolbear, after the three day trip and a full schedule. Friday was the essay contest. On Saturday evening, after the state dinner, awards were presented, followed by a dance.

Dallas Key Club received commendation for its scrapbook and Single Service entry. Single Service is a community activity performed by members during the year. Dallas Key Club assists needy families as its community contribution.

## TO PRESENT PROGRAM FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

The prize-winning Lake-Lehman Band presents its annual spring concert Friday and Saturday nights at 8 in the Lehman gymnasium under direction of John Milauskas.

Give this group of enthusiastic instrumentalists a rousing welcome when they march to the rostrum, the same kind of welcome they have received from enthusiastic spectators everywhere when they have appeared in competition.

Junior Band leads off with simpler arrangements, folk songs, favorite hymns, a German waltz, a stirring march.

Senior Band presentations are enlivened with twirlers and color guard, using as an opener the Lake-Lehman Alma Mater, composed by Swanson and Milauskas, taking in some intriguing novelties along with more substantial offerings, and ending with the National Anthem.

## College Debators Tie For Third Place

College Misericordia varsity debaters tied for third place in the tournament held at City College of New York over the weekend: Juniors, Ann Willis and Rita Ryan argued for the affirmative, senior, Marie Padden and Junior, Phyllis Kovalick, for the negative.

## Robbers Cut Bar, Break Window Jimmy Door

### Leave Penny Trail Behind As They Abandon Gift Shop

Sometime between midnight Saturday, and Sunday morning at 10, thieves broke into Betty Cease's gift shop on Memorial Highway, cleaned out the spare change, opened all the boxes, stole several nice gifts including good costume jewelry, and left a trail of pennies on their way out.

Mrs. Cease locked up at 9:30 Saturday night, leaving a light turned on.

At midnight, Ray Titus, male police rounds, pushed a card at the door giving the inspection.

Sunday morning the door was unlocked. "It looked like the aftermath of a hurricane," reported an oddly enough there was no malicious vandalism scattered, drawers gift-wrapped, but no gifts.

Mrs. Cease was folding money a little change, the hurried exit, was a sack of 500 kept in a safe for purposes.

Thieves made two attempts at entry, the second successful. They smashed a rear window leading to a storage room; cut an iron bar; battered down a stout door dividing room from the shop. Deep-cut tire tracks at the rear of the shop indicate a hurried abandonment of the robbery.

Mrs. Cease called Dallas Borough Police Chief Russell Honeywell, Honeywell informed State Police. A State Police detective dusted for fingerprints Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

It took strength to jimmy that door, they all agreed. By late afternoon, Mrs. Cease was permitted to start the sorry task of cleaning house.

## New Post Office To Open Monday

### Shavertown Equipment To Be Delivered Today

Shavertown Post Office will move to its new quarters on the main highway over the weekend, opening its doors to the public Monday morning at 8:30.

This, says Postmaster Richard Griffith, is not the formal opening, which will take place later when notables can be present. Date for the ceremony has not yet been set.

Facilities in the new building are ample, parking space abundant. Equipment is expected from Wilkes-Barre today.

Since Shavertown Post-Office was taken over by Wilkes-Barre over a year ago, one rural route has been replaced by house to house service affecting over 400 families, and several hundred patrons who formerly came to the Post Office for their mail are now served.

Three regular mail carriers, Gerald Shonk, John Brown, and Edward Ungvaryski operate the small blue fleet vans in door to door delivery. One carrier, Bernard Kulakowski still carries a sack, walking over a shortened route. Willard Doran substitutes for carriers on their day off.

Harry Evans handles the remaining rural routes, Shavertown RD 5, 47 miles of travel per day.

Mail clerk is Jean Glahn, substitute Arline Bessmer. To date, no plans have been made for enlargement of the staff.

## Junior High School Boy Injured In Tumbling

An eighth-grade boy from Dallas Junior High School was taken by ambulance to Nesbitt Hospital Tuesday at 11:30, and remains for observation after being injured in a tumbling class in gymnasium period.

Dale Prynne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Prynne, apparently struck the back of his head and neck. Staffing the ambulance were Ray Titus and Don Bulford.

Mrs. Prynne is on the part-time cafeteria staff. Mr. Prynne is one of the custodians at Dallas Senior High School.

## Local Dog Lovers On Training Club Board

Local dog lovers are members of the Board of Anthracite Dog Training Club: William Moss, Trucksville, Harry McCartney, Dallas, Mrs. Jack Weber, Sweet Valley, and Bart Collett, Shavertown.

The spring class in Obedience Dog Training sponsored by the club will start Saturday at the Kirby Park training area under the Mark-et Street Bridge.