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Editorially Speaking:

Country Editors Speak

"Keep government out of education Keep presidential power to a minimum Get out of socialization!

That sums up the view of an overwhelming majority of the editors of the nation's smaller newspapers, as revealed in a survey recently conducted by The American Press. Typical of the general antipathy of editors toward the whole idea of "welfarism" is perhaps best exemplified in the matter of proposals to increase social security payments to help provide for the hospital needs of people over 65 years of age. Seventy-eight per cent of the editors were opposed to further government intervention. By contrast, 84 per cent of the editors expressed preference for a voluntary non-governmental plan to meet the medical needs of the aged — such as is now being completed by the Blue Shield, Blue Cross and the American Medical As-

Judging by the comments of many of the editors as quoted by American Press, expansion of government in the medical care field was opposed for the same reason that editors oppose government interference in other fields - a deep and abiding fear of big government and

Editors are a highly individualistic lot. The fact that they are near-unanimous in opposition to government medicine, is reason enough to taking another look at this particular bureaucratic pill before swallowing it.

Yes, its queer the way the political mind works. "Life is not so short but that there is always time for courtesy." - Ralph Waldo Emerson.

"A government bureau is where the taxpayer's shirt is kept." - Anonymous

Wins American Spirit Honor Medal



In his Air Force Blues, Kirk Lan- | USAF, Commander. nan marches to receive his medal at This was the official order re-

(ATC) Lowry AFB, Colorado: fective 20 April 1962. Authority: complete his college education. nan, Church Street, Dallas, Pa.

Signed, F. A. Wernlein, Colonel

Lowry Air Force Base, Colorado. | ceived by Kirk's parents, Mr. Lan-Special Order from Headquarters, nan added information about his 3415th Technical School, USAF, son. Kirk, a 1959 Westmoreland graduate, spent a year at Wilkes A/C3 Kirk A. Lannan, (pipeline College, working at Sears Roebuck student) this headquarters, this sta- and Birth's Esso Station while attion, is awarded the American Spirit tending college. January 10, 1962, Honor Medal for his display of he enlisted in the Air Corps studyhonor initiative, loyalty, and high ing electronics, which he hopes to example to comrades in arms, ef- make his profession. He expects to

ATC regulation 34-3. Home of re- He took basic training at Blackcord, Mr. and Mrs. Edward R. Lan- man Air Force Base in San Antonio,

Safety Valve

COMMENDS REV. ARMSTRONG Dear Editor:

Sincerely, Peter E. Petroski Luzerne County CITIZENS For Decent Literature

FIVE O'CLOCK SHADOW

Dear Editor,

NOTER, down in the Florida Keys the Wilkes-Barre and Luzerne Street lot of us when he wrote the fol- at Courtdale Avenue. About oppos-House and printed it in his "Five the track swung to the left and O'Clock Shadow Column" on April followed the side of the mountain

it best to write immediately.

affect 18 million people by raising side and followed the side of the prices, but an increase seems in- hill to Shavertown.

cents a year.

levy anti-trust action against us. operation occurred. Frank Kniffen, And this outfit is too small to be age about forty, who shortly before er and John Hildebrant of Dallas.

how I can get to Washington.

or single us out as being un'Amer- the body on the car and continued both sides for the conductor to pass ald Deans; Elsie Sisco to Andrew

time to come down to the Florida Keys. And Bobby is probably too busy squeezing the life out of US Steel to get away. Teddy has a full schedule politicking and explaining Dear Editor: away his college cribbing.

could get away, maybe Ethel or . . ." lovely picture setting.

> Sincerely, Bob Taylor McLean, Va.

MORE ON RECREATION

Dear Editor:

Lately in the Dallas Post I have read letters written to you by students of our local school system. I as a former student would like to give my views on Recreation, as it is and was in Kingston Township.

league field was in Shavertown. Now it is in Dallas and children of the cians. Citizens groups interested in lower Back Mt. have to be driven to all the games. The Westmoreland provements in the academic proteenage team used the field at the gram, were skeptical about the en-Westmoreland building. Now the field is filled with playground equipment, leaving no place for the team to practice. The high school has been moved to Dallas and its a must for the students to have a car to

Yes there are Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts here in Trucksville and because I'm a scout myself, I know they are not getting proper support. The YMCA at Shavertown needs the support of all. It serves who felt there was no alternative a large area and the building is to providing the means to meet the completely too small to offer act-

ivities that it should. I feel the people of Kingston Township should support what recreation is left and attempt to find replacement for what we lost. The old Shavertown theater would make good Gym.

> Sincerely yours, Charles D. Repotski Class of 1961 Westmoreland High School

APPRECIATES PUBLICITY

Dear Editor:

I am happy to report that our 'Open House' at Retreat State Hospital was a tremendous success. your paper gave us stimulated much one director felt her crown was interest in the community as 1933 full of thorns. For though there is visitors attended during the after-

Dr. Claude H. Butler, Superintendent, and the entire staff wish of years could be seriously damagto thank you for your cooperation in making our day a success.

THOMAS KANYUCK,

Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer-D. A. Waters

Our sincere appreciation for your domain, available to steam railroads to select a jury and hold an inexcellent support against obscenity. in Pennsylvania under certain con- quest. They rendered a verdict of We are sure that your front page ditions, the local trolley road was accidental death. The man had been nessage against poisonous literature incorporated as a steam railroad, addicted to occasional use of liqbring to our communities a The Wilkes-Barre and Northern. uor. A funeral was conducted in Everyone knew that the steam part Dallas Church. Thank you for joining the fight, of it was only a subterfuge as the About the same time the same and also commend Rev. Grove grades and curves laid out were Mr. Snyder, acting as motorman, tax millage. In 1961, millage was Armstrong for the interest he has not good for efficient steam opera- struck a colt that jumped in front lowered from 21 to 19. Further tion. However the first cars into of the car. The brake having been reduction of 11/2, cutting 1 mill Dallas were actually pulled by steam applied, the blow was not too sev- from the light fund, half a mill engine, and such an engine was ere and the colt was not seriously from the sinking fund, caused taxstored for many years in the car hurt. barn at the lower end of town near

After a few years the controlling interest was sold and the new owners changed the name to Wilkes-Barre Dallas and Harveys Lake Railway Co. Under neither management We don't know whether you are was any attempt made to build shook up or not, but I suspect that the road into Wilkes-Barre. Connec-Editor Charlie Deal of the KEY- tion was made with the tracks of at Marathon, was speaking for a Railway where the turn was made lowing open letter to the White ite the present Luzerne Lumber Co.

to Hillside, whence it ran fairly sraight to the lower end of Trucks-"After seeing what happened to ville hill. Here it swung across the US Steel for failure to confer with road and the creek and followed you before raising prices, I thought the hill on the opposite side of the creek nearly to Mt. Greenwood, "I have no desire to adversely where it crossed to the opposite

Passing about where the main raises our mailing fees every year. line where the highway cut off to and bruises and was taken to was stricken with encephalitis and And there are still more increases Fernbrook as recently built, then ahead. As such, it appears this news- ran roughly parallel with the Lepaper may have to raise its sub- high Valley to the center of Dal- of Dallas were slightly bruised and of 24 Dallas Borough seniors. scription around fall by about fifty las and on to the Lake, to the left cut by flying glass. Other passenof the Lehigh Valley and not close gers, all more or less shaken up mules were promised for the Me-

busted up into smaller companies. had purchased a farm near Ketc- With the coming of automobiles, "So, I'm taking no chances. ham, was returning home from the minor crossing accidents were com-"I'd like to confer with you on valley. Near the stone crusher just mon for a while. In our own time this proposed fifty cents increase, below Ice Cave, now Hillside, he the most common cause of difficulty rationing work and started on gas but for the life of me, can't see apparently lay down on the track was falling ice and trees in the to rest and was struck in the winter season. "All of my spare time is taken darkness by the car which had left Lowest-numbered car rememberup working for the government. Wilkes-Barre at 8:20 p.m.. Josiah ed by the writer was "Old No. 4", a Valve: Bill Dierolf, Camp Gordon; Preparing and signing a continuous Rood of Dallas was motorman and combination baggage and passenger Robert Dierolf, Camp Livingston; flow of withholding forms, social A. L. Snyder, the conductor. This car that was used sometimes on William Swartwood, Camp Wheeler; security deductions and other bur- was entirely away from the usual night trips. No. 3 may have been Bill Rhoads, School of Communicaeaucratic red tape keeps my feet path of travel and his presence around. For summer service to tions; Clarence Montross, Chanute was unexplained. His skull was Harveys Lake, cars open at the Field. "At the same time I don't want crushed, one arm torn off, and both sides were used with seats across the government to tear us apart, legs nearly severed. The crew put the cars and a running board along W. Ridell; Jean Zimmerman to Don-

the board to a common agreement at the first meeting had to be rescinded. One township in the union district had reached its per capita

had improved the schools almost Ony a few years ago the little beyond belief but was being watched with critical eyes by local politischools, while delighted with imlarged scope of extended activities They had acted accordingly by the election of two women to the board

Already the overwhelming responsibility of being both conservative and progressive had taken take part or attend the school budget had been slashed by the adwalking or riding a bike back and ministrator in an honest effort to forth to Dallas is going just a little without ill effects to the educational progrem. Yet a truly conservative person could find other areas in which to cut.

> thus maintain the present millage. Faced with a stalemate, the administrator suggested the only alternative was to concentrate on a higher percentage of tax collection at the risk of falling short and having to cut in areas he felt would be detrimental to his proposed

who

Who then should wear the crown? Those who believe in a progressive program and are willing to withstand the criticism in order Chairman "Open House" 1962. to see it through? Those who favor

To secure the right of eminent coroner authorized Esq. C. H. Cooke

Car No. 2, the unlucky car of the present motel. Electric power the road, ran away from Fernbrook Kingston Township high school other car into the side of a house being low for general construction.

fell through one of the car wind-"Certainly, I don't want you to grab up our records for a grand jury investigation or have your the time in THE DALLAS POST, the live that accident under electric lives for a grand lives for a

on to Dallas and turned it over along and also serve as a step ent- Kozemchak. "I realize you wouldn't have the to Undertaker B. W. Brickel. The ering or leaving the cars.

THE BATTLE OF THE BUDGET | more conservative spending in the truction done by the war in Hol-

school board had met to adopt a ting which necessarily results?

> The public was filled with indignation over the constant increases in taxes and also filled with misconception from inaccurate public reports. People were led to believe that any vote in favor of spending regardless of the reasoning was irresponsible.

The superintendent in one year

Arguments in previous executive sessions had pinpointed three over lapping schools of thought: Those proposed budget: those who felt we must maintain the present tax limit and try to live within it, cutting when necessary as the year progressed. And a third group in favor of making the necessary cuts at once in extended programs and

program. The vote was in favor of not increasing the millage. Now those heeded inaccurate reports would crown their heroes and con-We feel the excellent publicity demn their enemies. But at least some merit in this particular vote it was not a permanent answer to better schools, and over a period

and smashing a milk wagon.

man Josiah Rood, Conductor M. D. to D. W. Davis, \$202; sewage \$1,at the iron bridge in Luzerne. The \$2,729; total, \$64,526. trolley was coming toward Dallas and tried to stop at the grade cros- tributor to the Dallas Post, died folsing with a Lehigh Valley mine lowing a stroke. branch which runs up through Luzerne along the creek. The rail was tired Methodist minister, died at 67 frosty and somewhat greasy and the in Shavertown. car did not stop quickly enough to clear the railroad. A Lehigh Valley graduation: Prep suits for \$13.75. mine crew was pushing a train of coal up the creek and the leading were 25 cents a bushel. car struck the trolley. Dr. C. A. Spencer, as passenger, was bruised ing very little news. in the head and shoulders and one side of his body was partly para- IT HAPPENED 20 YEARS AGO: lyzed. E. J. Newman, of Beaumont, Wilkes-Barre Hospital. Mrs. C. B. hospitalized at Johns Hopkins. and scared, were Mr. and Mrs. morial Day Parade in Lehman. Dallas, Joseph Hagen, A. L. Snyd-

extended programs when faced with land. a financial dilemma? Or those who A new course to train men for The night was hot and the hour would hold taxes but not assume civilian defense jobs was started at "But just maybe someone else tense. It was the second time the responsibility for the program cut-

angerous, too, if it is uninformed. Perhaps a better understanding could be reached if the public would refuse to condemn or approve the direction of our educational program without knowing the facts. phone so that she could call the fire The board must also share this re- department. sponsibility by its willingness to

ANNE VERNON.

Editorial Note:

School board members take a terrific beating. It beats us why anybody ever runs for the office. A school board member can't hope to please his constituents. They elected him to hold down the taxes, and holding down the taxes is as impossible as holding down the rising cost of food and clothing. We have a very good school board serving the Dallas Union School District. It honestly disagrees; it picks up the pieces and reaches compromise; it wrestles with knotty financial and educational problems. It is in no sense a "Rubber Stamp" group, and more power to it. It is doing a good job, and with precious little praise.—HIX.

Jerome R. Gardner, Jr. Takes Masters Degree

Jerome R. Gardner Jr, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gardner, Shrine Cub Pack 233 Visits Acres Dallas, received a Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Pennsylvania, Monday

A graduate of Kingston High Vincent Roman and Mrs. John Por-School, young Gardner received his ter visited The Dallas Post Monday B.S. degree in Music Education from afternoon and had an opportunity Wilkes College in 1960. He is mar- to learn about the various printing ried to the former Merle McKeown, processes uder the guidance of and they have two sons, J. R. Gard- James Lohman. ner III. and James R. Gardner. Mr. Gardner will begin his duties man, Steven Klaboe, Charles Waite,

with the Bellevue Community Cen-Robert Youngblood, James Brown. ter in Scranton on July 1st.

lived so well so far behind before.



"A beatnik's idea of a lovely bride is when her sneakers match her sweater."

Only. Yesterday

Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

IT HAPPENED 30 YEARS AGO:

Dallas Borough Council for the second consecutive year lowered payers to rejoice.

Contract was let for the new to Luzerne one time, knocking an- Herman Maillander's bid of \$46,076 J. L. Turner got the heating and About a week before Christmas plumbing at \$10,859; plumbing in 1900, the same car No. 2, motor- went to Redington, \$3,260; sump, Thomas, was completely demolished 410; electrical work, Jacob Laux,

John Downing, 65, frequent con-

Rev. Clinton Brooks Henry, re-

A special offer in advance of Michigan russet seed potatoes

Another four-page issue, contain-

Seven year old Jimmie Ayre, "Your post office department intersection is now, it followed the ows, sustaining a wrenched back Dallas boy until he moved to York,

Barker and Mrs. Thomas Oldershaw Louis Kelly ranked first in a class A yoke of oxen and a span of

General Edward Martin swept the polls in the republican primaries for Governor, repudiating the Finesponsored candidate in Sixth Legis-School teachers completed sugar

rationing. Most residents asked for B cards. Service men heard from in Safety

Married: Lois Williams to Douglas

Fire destroyed the Kenneth Traver home at Evans Falls. A full page was devoted to des-

Heights, stood helplessly holding the phone while flames engulfed her home. Reason? A neighbor on the same line would not relinquish the

Advertisers were ballyhooing soap products which, they claimed, required no rinsing. Wonder what happened to those miracle deter-

gents? Back Mountain Little League opened its second season. A story by Mrs. Hicks in the Dallas Post won the top State award.

the School of Journalism at Colum-Morris Lloyd, car dealer, was interviewed for a Know Your Neigh-

and rated a two-week scholarship at

Married: Madeline Ruth Transue to Clair LaBarre. Charlotte Culp to Albert Ashton

Alta Lou Hall received a medal for life-saving from Commissioner Mrs. George Fry. Died: Mrs. Eleanor Prutzman, 85. Wesley Hilbert, 82, Beaumont.

Michael J. Kocher, 81, Harveys

Lake. Charles H. Knight, 70, Jackson Township; Charles VanBuskirk, Fernbrook, completed rabies shots. His pet dog snapped at him, subsequently died

Cub Scout Pack 233 with their Den Mother Mrs. F. Klaboe, Mrs.

In the group were Vincent Ro-John Harowig, Paul Wade, James Roman, John Porter, and Billy "Never have so many people Youngblood.

Committee For New Goods To Meet Friday At Kern's

For the ninth successive year, the Library Auction New Goods Committee will meet for its first official session at Herman Kern's Friday at 7:45, for cold cuts and refreshments, chairman James Alexander following tradition established by

Mitchell Jenkins. The meeting at Kern's is always one of the high spots of the Auction preparations. New Goods bring in sizeable portion of moneys realized at the Auction, more than any other single committee.

Barnyard Notes



May 100 Years Ago

One hundred years in May the Union armies under General George McClellan held the Virginia peninsula and the James River approaches to Richmond.

The Norfolk Naval base had been evacuated on the eleventh and the ironclad Merrimac destroyed by the Northern Monitor. McClellan spread his massive army along the swampy Chicka-

hominy and got a good look at the enemy by sending up captive balloons with officers riding in small baskets to peer across the confederate lines strung about Richmond.

It was the second year of the Civil War and the first big Northern offensive—an amphibious operation—had carried the blue army down the Potomac and Chesapeake to the mouth of the

On May 31 would come the battle of Fair Oaks or Seven Pines and the wounding of the Confederate leader Joe Johnson. Then Robert E. Lee would take over the Confederates army, soon to be given its immortal name, the Army of Northern Virginia.

Union forces on the Peninsula numbered 44,944 with 790 dead; 3,594 wounded and 647 missing. Confederates had 41,816 effectives, 980 were killed, 4,749 wounded and 405 missing. Richmond was under seige.

Before 1862 ended two of the bloodiest battles of the war would be fought at Second Bull Run and Antietam in Maryland. Earlier in the west, on April 7, amid the peach blossoms at

Pittsburg Landing, the Battle of Shiloh had been fought by Generals U. S. Grant and Albert Sidney Johnston. The battle of Shiloh made it necessary for both western armies

to move thousands of their wounded men to Columbus Mississippi About fifteen hundred of them were buried in the hallowed

ground known as "Friendship Cemetery". It was appropriately named for there on April 25, 1866 "Decor ation Day" was first observed. Early in the spring of that year, four years after the battles on

the Virginia Peninsula and at Shiloh, three young women, accompanied by a young Confederate widow, filled their arms with flowers each day and tended the graves of the Southern dead. Forty Union soldiers were also buried there and soon their graves began to look bare and forgotten.

The young widow then suggested that all the graves be decorated. A few days later a strange procession made its way to "Friendship Cemetery" It was led by young women in white followed by older ladies who wore black, all carrying large bouquets of spring

When they reached the cemetery they proceeded to decorate all the graves regardless of army differences. Today, 96 years later, "Decoration Day" or "Memorial Day", is observed throughout the land as one of our most solemn occasions.

dead, It now embraces the fallen of all wars in which the United

Though originally planned to commemorate the Civil War

States has participated.

Pillar To Post...

It would have paid big dividends to have done a little map studying before starting for Souderton last Thursday, but it looked so simple. Just down the Northeast Extension of the Turnpike, off at Landsdale, and a mile or so over a country road. Not far at all,

according to recollection of a similar trip last fall. Must be some way of getting on the Turnpike from the road leading up the mountains toward Hazleton, and this dodge would save going up East End Boulevard. Memory insisted that there was an exit marked for Hazleton just before reaching the Wilkes-Barre

So, if there was an exit, there had to be an entrance. Only there wasn't. The filling station attendant at Hazleton disclaimed all knowl edge of any method of getting to the Turnpike, though probably if I'd stay right on Route 309 as far as Tamaqua, I might see a sign-

With that, he turned on the gas pump, and high test gas spurted all over the place from a leaking hose. The attendant washed it off, and the car moved to a pump on the far side of the station, one not bandaged with adhesive plaster.

Tom exercised patience. "Lots of time, take it easy, "he soothed,

taking a surreptitious peep at his watch. And at Tamaqua, sure enough, there was a sign. It pointed toward Lehighton, and it was garnished with a green Turnpike On the Turnpike at last, one car after another passed as if

the English Austin were tied to a post. Maybe speed was being checked by Radar, but the Radar was off duty. "Get off at the Quakertown interchange instead of Lansdale,

We got off at the Quakertown interchange. Where was that short country road? The road that turned sharp to the right after a mile or so and led straight into Souderton? This road led through a whole flock of towns including Sellersville, and finally came into Souderton by the back door, debouching upon the railroad station, with the main drag far below. It hadn't been that way last time we went to Souderton. Why were the

city fathers monkeying with the scenery? It was hotter than the hinges of Hades, but mercifully there was a spot in the shade where we could park. And we were only an hour late for the appointment. Everybody had gone to lunch, so we had a sandwich at a doggery. On the way back, we started toward Quakertown interchange,

and lo and behold, we were on the country road heading toward Landale. Only it was a lot longer than we had remembered. Where on earth was that right angle turnoff and the short stretch of road leading to the interchange? Must be we've passed the interchange. Nope, there it is, up

ahead. Back on the Turnpike . . . "If you pass a likely looking place to get a cold coke, don't pass it, just turn in." "Be your age, there aren't any coke stands on the Turnpike."

"You kidding? I'm going straight to the Wilkes-Barre exit and down that long grade where thirty-nine casualties have occurred on

"I'm bone dry." "What makes you think you're the only one who is bone dry?" "I feel it worse." "Oh, baloney."

"Goingto try to get off at the Hazleton exit?"

account of truckers failing to believe in signs. I KNOW that route." Tom made one last try. "How about stopping for some ice cream?

"Ah, go soak your head."

advised the toll-taker.

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