

Library Service Up A Third In July And August

Board Defers Action On Appointment Of A New Librarian

Circulation of books and number of borrowers at Back Mountain Memorial Library increased by thirty percent during July and August over a year ago. Mrs. Albert Jones, librarian, reported at the meeting of Directors Tuesday night at the Library Annex.

Of the 5,998 books circulated in August, 2,419 were adult and 3,579 children's volumes. There were 482 more borrowers than in August 1961. July circulation was also up 1,325 more books and there was an increase of 356 borrowers.

Mrs. Jones also reported that she had attended the Americanism program of Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion last week and had received for the library a volume of the American Creed by Stuart Chase. Similar books were given by the Legion to other school and college libraries of the area.

Treasurer Homer Moyer reported a checking account balance of \$24,329.32 on September 1; \$5,000 of this amount representing matured U. S. Government Bonds.

Mr. Moyer indicated that the 1962 Auction net income will be approximately \$16,500 when all bills are paid and all accounts receivable are in and most of these have now been closed.

Invest \$5,000

The Finance Committee recommended the investment of \$10,000; \$5,000 immediately in 100 shares of Pittsburgh Plate Glass at approximately \$50 per share. The remaining \$5,000 will be invested in securities to be recommended at the October meeting.

Current investments include: \$5,000 in U.S. Treasury 2 1/2% Bonds due 8/15/63; \$3,000 U. S. Bonds 2 1/2% due 10/1/65; \$12,000 U. S. Bonds 4 7/8% due 11/15/64; 330 shares Commonwealth Telephone; 100 shares General Motors; 100 shares Miners National Bank; 30 shares J.J. Newberry; 100 shares Pennsylvania Gas & Water Co.; 100 shares Standard Oil of New Jersey; 100 shares F. W. Woolworth; 331 shares Wellington Fund and 100 shares Parke Davis Co.

Report On Insurance

D. T. Scott, chairman Insurance Committee, recommended retention of present insurance coverage with a complete inventory of books to be made as soon as a new librarian is appointed. A survey made by Henry Peterson, former Library Director, and Mr. Scott, indicates that the following coverage is adequate; \$17,500 Main Library Building, \$25,000 Annex; \$58,000 on contents of both buildings. The latter policy covers the movement of books from one building to another or in either building.

Stefan Hellersperk of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, indicated that rotted posts in the railing in front of the main building can be repaired for approximately \$100, the work of reinforcing posts with steel and resetting them will be done by Donald Weidner, custodian.

Improvement To Be Made

Mrs. Paul Gross, chairman of the House Committee, suggested the closing of a cellar stairway in the main reading room of the Annex and using the then available closet space for the storage of chairs and tables. Another stairway from the kitchen is still available. This was approved by the Board.

Ralph Hazeltine of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, announced that contracts have been let to Dallas Engineers for installation of a new furnace in the Main Library Building to replace the present inadequate Coal-O-Matic stoker, and to Mackinow Company for roof repairs. The work will be completed before the October meeting.

Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins, president of the Book Club, reported that 314 "Thank You Notes" had been mailed to Auction contributors. She also complimented Mr. Hazeltine on his fine talk before the Club on biographical research or "How To Look Up Your Family Tree" and offered the suggestion that the Club would like to have talks by other members of the Board.

On a question raised by Mr. Hazeltine there was considerable Board discussion on the exact term each Auction Chairman should serve on the Board, this never having been made "exactly clear" according to Robert Bachman. It was decided that the Advisory Committee would meet before the October meeting and present recommendations later to the Board.

Elect New Directors

Richard Hogoboom having resigned shortly after his appointment as a Director some months ago, Mrs. Paul Gross and Mrs. Eloise Tipton, serving on a committee, presented the name of Richard Harter Patterson, Sutton Road, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ide, for election to the Board.

In the discussion, Howard Risley raised the question of the recognition of Auction chairmen for Board membership with particular reference to

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Round Table To Discuss Battle 100 Years Ago

Public Is Invited To Take Part In Antietam Program

Five members who attended the 100th anniversary reenactment of the Battle of Antietam last weekend will take part in a special Commemorative Discussion tonight at 8 at the meeting of Back Mountain Civil War Round Table in the Library Annex.

Richard Garman, president, has extended a cordial welcome to all members of the community who are interested in history and good discussion to attend this meeting.

"You don't have to be a student of the Civil War in order to enjoy these informal gatherings," he said.

The Round Table moderator will be Howard W. Risley.

Among those who will take part in the discussion are Judge Benjamin R. Jones, Mrs. Thomas Heffernan, Thomas Cully, Mrs. Carl Goeringer, Mr. Garman and others.

Mr. Garman, Mr. Cully, Mrs. Goeringer and her sons and Howard Risley attended the reenactment program at Sharpsburg, following different routes to the field. Some visited Harper's Ferry, others the South Mountain passes and some approached the field from Hagerstown where they also saw the pageant, Hills of Glory.

Plans are now being made for an overnight visit to Gettysburg early in October. The approach to the field will be along the route of Lee's army from Chambersburg to Cash-town with an overnight stop Saturday night at the Log Cabin at Caledonia Furnace in Caledonia State Park. After a smorgasbord supper, there will be a talk on the concentration of the armies on Gettysburg in the lounge of the Log Cabin.

Sunday morning the group will proceed to Gettysburg for a study of the first day's fighting along the Chambersburg Road where General Reynolds was killed and where Luzerne and Susquehanna County regiments played a leading part beside the Pennsylvania Bucktails and renowned Iron Brigade.

The cost for the entire trip including meals and lodging, but not for transportation which will be in individual cars, will not exceed \$25 per couple. Reservations cannot exceed eleven couples, or twenty-five individuals.

His Father Was At Sharpsburg

The 100th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam has added significance for a Goss Manor man, George Elwood Shepherd, whose father, the late William Henry Shepherd, was at Sharpsburg eleven years before George was born.

Mr. Shepherd expects to attend the Back Mountain Civil War Round Table meeting tonight.

His father, a Philadelphian born in 1838, joined Company E, First Regiment, Gray Reserves, when General Lee began his invasion of Maryland.

Later he moved to Wilkes-Barre. Another of his sons, the late William Carter Shepherd also lived in Dallas on Machell Avenue.

George E. Shepherd is the last surviving member of a family of four brothers and one sister and is one of the oldest living members of the Pennsylvania Society of the Sons of the Revolution. His heritage comes to him not only from his father's side but from his mother who was Lydia A. Ziegler of Zieglersville, Pa.

Like his father, he, too, enlisted when his country needed men. A graduate engineer from Lehigh University he enlisted as a captain in the Engineer's Corps in July 1917. After duty in Washington and Virginia, he went overseas in January 1918, first to England and then to Allerey, France, where he was engineer in charge of construction of the 10,000 bed Allerey Base Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Shepherd and two of their daughters live on Saginaw Avenue, Goss Manor.

Tools Valued \$1,000 Stolen

For the second time in two years Bruce Renard has been robbed of \$1,000 worth of tools from his garage, on Route 29 near Sorber Mountain.

Entry was gained by smashing a window the weekend of September 8. All of Renard's stock of transits, carpenter tools, electric drills, plumbing tools, and an air compressor were taken.

By virtue of sheer weight of the booty, the thief must have had a truck.

Lake Township Police Chief Edgar Hughes and State Police are investigating.

About a year ago, thieves made off with \$4,000 worth of materials when Renard's barn was entered.

It's Been A Good Year For Pheasants, Sportsmen Look Forward To Hunting

From every point of view, says Ed Gdosky, State Game Protector for the area west of the Susquehanna in Luzerne County, it has been a good year for breeding pheasants, and the outlook for hunting is fine.

Chicks hatched from eggs in the incubators at Montoursville have been raised successfully by seven area farmers, in lots of 500 each, and the wild breeding season is phenomenal. Mr. Gdosky says the dry weather which plagued farmers was exactly right for young pheasants, and the survey shows a lot of them.

Added to the native wild life are the 2,800 birds recently released throughout this section. Hatched around the first of June, they are now ready to make their own way.

Game protectors select places for freeing the birds where they can find plenty of grain, to induce them to remain nearby instead of roaming too far afield from land open to hunters.

Each farmer who contracts to raise pheasants is given five pounds of chick feed to get him started. The switch to grains suitable for making more mature growth is made when the chicks are six weeks old.

Regulations call for 25 square feet of elbow room for each pheasant in the holding pens.

Farmers who annually take on the job of raising the pheasant chicks are folks who know their pheasants, and they are repeaters. The first year, there is expense in building the holding pens, but the \$1 apiece paid for twelve-weeks old birds counts up over the years, and the pleasure in augmenting the game supply is a fringe benefit. Nobody bothers with rearing birds unless he likes wild things.

Pete Fritsky has been in the business some years on Sutton Creek Road. Ken Rice, at Orchard Farms, has been raising pheasants over six years. In the same category are Ray Harned of Mulenburg, Henry Verbinski of Shickshinny Mountain, and Mrs. Esther Johnson of Huntington Mills. Ray Dunbar, also of Huntington Mills, has been raising pheasants for over three years, Charles Patla of Sweet Valley for over four.

These territories are covered: Franklin, Exter, Pittston, Fairmont, Hunlock, Union, Dallas, Kingston, Lake, Lehman, Ross, and Huntington Townships. On the other side of the Susquehanna, the same program is being carried out. Dallas is headquarters for the Northeastern District of Pennsylvania State Game Commission.

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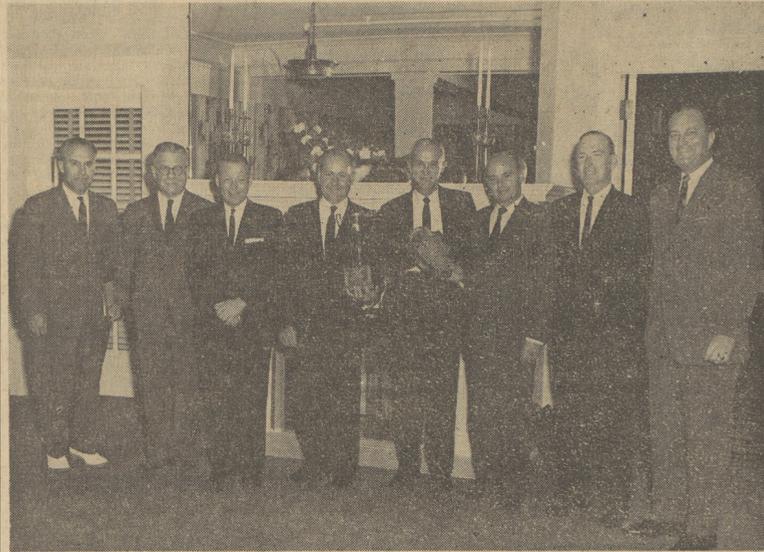
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Any Time, Any Thing, Any Where, That's Bill



Dean Ralston, Wilkes College; Alfred Ackerson, Jerome Gardner, Robert Maturi, William Wright, Richard O. Myers and Earl Phillips beam as Mr. Wright accepts the Outstanding Citizen Award presented by three service clubs at Irem Temple Country Club Thursday night.

PHOTO BY KOZEMCHAK

William Wright Wins Award For Citizenship

Three Service Clubs Agree Unanimously That It Is Deserved

Three service clubs of Dallas voted unanimously to name William Wright, 1962 Citizen of the Year. After the plaque had been presented Thursday night at the joint annual meeting of Dallas Lions, Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs, Robert Maturi, who made the presentation remarked, "Any time, anything, anywhere, Bill's the man. You can always count on Bill."

It was this quality of dependability and community spirit that won Bill the award, inscribed: "1962 Citizens Award presented to William Wright, for outstanding community service by the service clubs of Dallas, Pa., Rotary, Lions and Kiwanis, at the Second Annual Service Club Dinner September 13, 1962."

Mr. Wright, New Goss Manor, member of Kiwanis Club, has been the backbone of Dallas School Board through the storms of reorganization into a Union School District, always acting as a balance wheel.

The Kiwanis Key Club trip to Denver was promoted by Bill, who was in on the original conference which set wheels in motion. And Bill went along to Denver to enjoy the Key Club Drill Team triumph at Kiwanis International Convention. He is vice president of Wyoming Valley Technical Institute a lay minister and former vestryman at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church, where he takes the pulpit once a month; past president of Kiwanis; past president of Dallas Ambulance and Church League basketball.

Bill was Library Auction chairman some years ago. He's one of the people the Auction couldn't get along without. His whole family works on it faithfully. Thirteen years ago they came to the community from Long Island, and they have been busy ever since.

And on Bloodmobile Day, there is Bill, stretched out full length, giving his pint. He won his gallon-Plus pin in May.

About 120 persons attended the joint meeting Kiwanis won the attendance crown. Last year it was the Lions, on a percentage basis.

Rotarians John Landis and James Alexander arranged for the dinner at Irem Country Club. Rev. Andrew Pillarella gave the invocation, Rev. John S. Prater the benediction.

Alfred Ackerson spoke briefly for Kiwanis, introducing members of the Inter Service Council, Earl Phillips, toastmaster, introduced presidents of the three clubs.

George Ralston, Dean of Men at Wilkes College, contrasted the power of Love with the power of the Atom.

Vandals Break Plate Glass Panes And Deflate 26 School Bus Tires

Dallas was prey to vandalism, this week. A local merchant lost two expensive plate-glass windows. Air was let out of twenty-six tires.

Ray Daring arrived at his supermarket, Memorial Highway, early Tuesday morning, and soon after was informed by one of his men that someone had knocked out one 4 by 9 foot window with a rock, and cracked another. The rock was thrown sometime after Daring's 9 o'clock closing hour.

With characteristic good humor, Daring said: "Somebody thought it wouldn't look right if both me and Gosart's didn't come out even in the week". Last week Gosart's store, Daring's competitor, lost three windows when an area man drove his car into the front of the appliance-center.

Daring also noted that future vandalism might be curtailed if Dallas Township Supervisors heeded Police Chief Laing's suggestion that there should be a curfew on young people under age 18.

Sunday night, perhaps in a celebration of school opening, the air was let out of twenty-six tires on school-buses parked overnight at

Orchard Farms Restaurant. Borough Police Chief Russell Honewell is investigating. Stephen Emanuel, owner of the buses, generally parks about twenty-four of them at Orchard Farms Restaurant.

Thursday night someone prowled in Anthony Hudak's tool-shed, Hadonfield, but took nothing.

"Besecker For President" Jim's Sendoff From Avoca

It was a gala occasion at Avoca Airport Sunday morning, when friends and well-wishers, complete with banners and confetti, saw a favorite son off for White Sulphur Springs. Some wag even had "Besecker for President" chalked on a large streamer.

James Besecker, Jr., after spending the week at the Monroe Calculating Machine Co. Convention as standard bearer, having won an over 100 percent quota for sales, will be home again tomorrow.

Georgia has been employing her spare time this week digging up the perennials and transplanting them to the other side of the yard. No cooking.

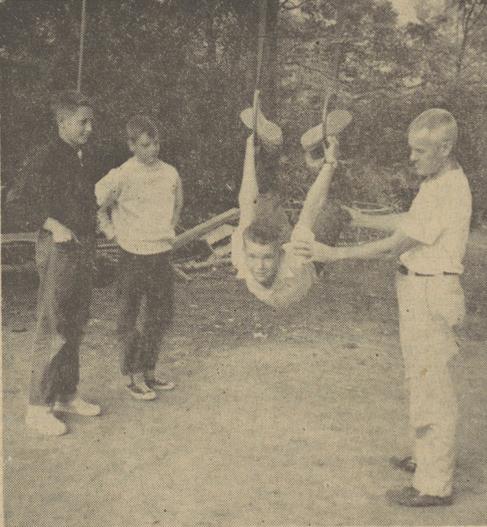
Butler And Parry Receive Legion Awards

Americanism Night at the American Legion Home saw two solid citizens receiving awards for outstanding service to the community. Taken completely by surprise were John Butler and Robert Parry, lured to Saturday night's meeting by a variety of bait, dangled skillfully by chairman Tom Reese and Commander Ed Buckley, who presided for the last time. He will relinquish his post in October, when James Davenport will be installed.

James Halpin, sponsored by Daddow Isaacs Post for Boys' State this summer, spoke of his experience at Penn State, when he, among hundreds of other boys from all over Pennsylvania, were given a first hand view of legislative processes.

William Kays, former 11th District Commander from Dunmore, was principal speaker, taking as his topic America's challenge to youth.

Scoutmaster John Butler In Action



John Butler instructs John Jr. on flying rings. Eddie Trexler and Tom Parker look on.

Butler Emphasizes Responsibility, Self-Reliance, And Physical Fitness

John F. Butler, Scout Master extraordinary, has won many awards, but the one that pleases him most is the completely unexpected plaque received from his Honor Scouts, at a meeting where the limelight, focussed upon the boys, was suddenly shifted and trained on the Scout Master.

The plaque, presented by Honor Scout Blessing, reads: "To All-Time Honor Scout John F. Butler, from those who are the better for having known him."

It is a very modest plaque, but

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Robert Parry Is Mr. Little League To Little League Players In Area

He likes people, especially kids, and that is why he is so popular with the Little League and as manager of Shavertown Acme Store.

He has been in the retail food business since 1941, with time out for three years service in the China-Burma theater of war, and since 1952 he has been up to his ears in baseball.

That just about sums up Robert William Parry, who hasn't time to breathe during the Little League season. The duties of president are taxing, especially this year when the Back Mountain Champs went hawg-wild, stormed into the championship of Pennsylvania, and mopped up a prize team in Medford, Massachusetts for the New England crown. They were stopped by Pitman, New Jersey, but they had gone miles farther than any other championship team from the Back Mountain.

And who was in the stands at Medford? Robert Parry, watching his son Robert make Back Mountain history. Robert, now 12, will be too old for Little League next summer, but he will play with the Teen-Age League. Mr. Parry took a week off from the Shavertown team that crucial week, dismissing pork chops and oranges from his mind in the interests of baseball.

Located ten years ago in the old Acme across the highway where Shavertown Postoffice is now operating, Mr. Parry was unable to resist the lure of baseball. That was when the Little League field was right there in central Shavertown. When Charles Steinhauer suggested that he get into the act, it was like shooting fish in a barrel.

As a boy, in Plymouth, Bob had played sandlot baseball, and at



ROBERT W. PARRY

school had played on both football and basketball teams. He admits he's a good bowler, too, but he no longer has that kind of time.

He coached the Shavertown Little League for two years (says it was a lousy job) and was then elected vice president of the association. For the past four years he has been president, and in the season it takes a lot of time, even when the champs don't go to town as they did this year.

Son Robert will still have Dad's interest, even if he is no longer able to play in Little League. The organization, about 300 strong, takes in the 8 to 12 year olds, the

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