

Citizens For Scranton-VanZandt Organize In Back Mountain

A Citizens Committee for Scranton-VanZandt has been organized in the Back Mountain Area with James D. Hutchison, 134 Doran Drive, Trucksville, as Chairman and Mrs. John R. Vivian of Lehman as Vice Chairman. The announcement was made by G. Guthrie Conyngham, Chairman of the organization in Luzerne County.

The Committee has its purpose the support of Congressman William Scranton, Republican candidate for governor, and Congressman James VanZandt, candidate for the U. S. Senate. The Citizens Committee is interested solely in the state ticket and is composed of representatives from both major political parties.

Mr. Hutchison is a native of Wyoming Valley and a graduate of Kingston High School as well as Penn State University. For thirty-five years he served as County Agricultural Extension Agent under the Pennsylvania State University.

He is an elder at Kingston Presbyterian Church, a director of the Wyoming Valley Motor Club, and a past-president of the Wilkes-Barre Kiwanis Club. He played an active part in the organization of practically all of the farm activities in Northeastern Pennsylvania and was a pioneer in the development of contour farming. For many years he and his wife, Emily, conducted their own program on Station WILK in Wilkes-Barre.

Mrs. Vivian, the Vice Chairman, is a Fine Arts graduate of Syracuse University, and the mother of three girls aged two, six and eleven and a boy aged eight. She has been active over the years in many civic and social organizations. She is an active member of the Wilkes-Barre Junior League and is presently serving as volunteer coordinator for the Back Mountain YMCA, and is a member of the Kingston Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Vivian has been active in United Fund drives, Red Cross work, and is a member of the Art League. She also takes an active interest in sports including golf, riding and skiing.

Plans have already been completed for an organization of top volunteers to support the work of the Chairman and Vice Chairman. Chairman Hutchison will announce shortly the names of those heading the committees in various sections of the Back Mountain.

Joseph Cited By Air Force

Former Dallas Man Is NCO Of Quarter

A former Dallas boy, Staff Sergeant David L. Joseph, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Joseph, Spring Street, has been named Outstanding Non Commissioned Officer of the Headquarters United States Air Force Security Force for the third quarter of 1962.

The citation, made by Col. P. Gentry, Deputy Secretary of the Air Force stated:

"Your selection was based on the recommendation of your supervisor; factor considered for the determination of this award were your performance of duty, appearance and overall ability. It has been noted that you have worked industriously, made steady and effective improvement and have excelled by comparison with others."

"To be selected as the Headquarters U.S.A.F. Security Force Non Commissioned Officer of the Quarter imparts the full significance of your accomplishments. You are encouraged to continue your superior work and uphold the high tradition of this Force in your future efforts."

David is a graduate of Wyoming Seminary where he was a classmate of Samuel Nicholson, navigator, on the Flying Tiger Super Constellation which recently fell in the Atlantic.

He had been with the Air Force for twelve years serving in Florida, Morocco, Puerto Rico, and for the past two years in the Pentagon in Washington.

He and his wife, a former Florida girl, have three sons and make their home in Arlington, Va., where his parents visited him last week.

Mr. and Mrs. David Joseph Sr., also stopped at Silver Springs, Md., where they visited their son, John and family. John is the manager of an orthopedic shoe store there.

Lehman Deer Shot After Hurt By Car

A young doe was shot and killed by Lehman Township police Sunday evening, after its back was broken by a car on Route 118.

The doe jumped out of the underbrush about a half mile west of Lehman Center, and ran in front of a car driven by Don Malak, Lehman. Malak was not hurt, although the front end of his car was damaged. A crowd gathered around the deer, which lay in agony by the side of the road. Officer Roland Ide shot it, and Pennsylvania Game Commission took the carcass.

MacVeigh Hurt In 8-Foot Fall

Misses Footing On Porch Roof

Joseph Mac Veigh, retired executive of Pressed Steel Corporation, is making a good recovery at Nesbitt Hospital where he was taken Saturday morning with injuries incurred in an eight foot fall from a porch roof at his home on Center Hill Road.

Mr. Mac Veigh had been standing on the porch roof holding a ladder for Daniel Brown who was making minor repairs to the main house roof. Mr. Brown had just come down the ladder when Mr. Mac Veigh stepped back to descend another ladder to the ground. He missed his footing and fell to the lawn. He received a concussion and severe lacerations of the head.

Mr. Brown took him immediately to the hospital where he was treated by Dr. Charles Shaffer. X-rays revealed no fractures but eight sutures were required to close the head lacerations.

Suffering from severe bruises and sprains, Mr. Mac Veigh must remain flat on his back for several days.

Bloodmobile At YMCA Tomorrow

Bloodmobile tomorrow at Shavertown YMCA building. Any resident who can possibly give blood should sign up. The best way to insure your own safety in case of highway accident requiring blood, prolonged illness requiring blood, or major surgery requiring transfusion, is to join one of the PTA organizations of the Dallas School District which sponsors the Blood Assurance program.

If one tenth of the membership of a Dallas PTA organization gives blood on each blood donor day, that donation protects the entire membership. It is a responsibility of the membership to donate blood whenever possible, so that the burden does not fall each time upon the same faithful few.

Mrs. Elwood Swingle is chairman of Blood Donors for the area. She, or Mrs. Edward Gilroy, has information. The cost of membership is very small, the advantages of belonging to a protected group is very great.

Tomorrow, Sixty years is the deadline for donation. But there is no deadline for membership in a PTA group that will give protection and insure blood when it is needed.

Is "The Lord's Prayer" Unlawful

AUTHOR WAS LOCAL MAN
Rev. A. Lewis Payne, pastor of Bowman's Creek Free Methodist Church and until his transfer to a charge at Maplecrest, N. Y., Superintendent of Wilkes-Barre District of the Free Methodist, has written an

article on the Supreme Court's decision to ban school prayer under the title "One Nation Under God" for the recent Free Methodist Magazine. Because the two-page article raises a number of interesting points, and because Mr. Payne

is a former local man, we re-publish here "One Nation Under God" in its entirety. Rev. Payne's brother, James Payne, was for a number of years pastor of Dallas Free Methodist Church. — Editor

Almighty God, we acknowledge our dependence upon Thee, and we beg Thy blessings upon us, our parents, our teachers, and our country."

The preceding brief prayer has had far-reaching and tremendous effects. It is the non-sectarian prayer approved by leaders of leading faiths and by the New York State Board of Regents for voluntary use in the New York schools; it is the prayer that has been catapulted into world-wide notice by the Supreme Court's ruling that it is unconstitutional.

Recently (in June) the papers reported Khrushchev as saying that the Communist flag would be flown soon from the capital in Washington—not by Russians, but by Americans themselves. Knowing that the cardinal aim of Communism is the destruction of religious faith, the Russian leader's prophecy takes on a more somber aspect than braggadocio when, almost on the anniversary of the founding of our nation, the Day of Independence, headlines across the country scream the amazing and alarming news: "Supreme Court Bans School Prayer"

By what trick of logic somersaults has the court which found no violation of the principle of separation of church and state in the use of public funds to transport pupils to parochial schools, to purchase texts, and to supply lunches, now been able to see a dangerous violation of the Constitution for the public schools to use a non-sectarian prayer which may be joined in only at will?

If prayer and religious devotions were a new custom in our schools; if prayer were a novel departure from a wholly secular educational program, we might more readily expect some to question the innovation. But any student of the history of the United States, knowing how deep-rooted the recognition of God has been in the nearly two centuries of our national life, cannot with integrity assert that our founding fathers considered the First Amendment an exclusion of religion itself from state, public, or school functions. What about those days when reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic were taught not only to "the tune of a hickory stick," but also with the Bible as a text in every class?

But there are the short-sighted ones who say, "Don't get so excited; the Court's ruling has no reference to school prayers in general; it only bans the Regent's prayer because it was composed and approved by state officials, and therefore constitutes a kind of state religion."

My first response is, Does it matter so much whether or not all prayers, but only a certain Regent's prayer, is declared to be unconstitutional? The fact that the Supreme Court feels that the times and attitudes of people will accept the prohibition of any non-sectarian prayer in any public function is cause for alarm!

My second response is, That while I do not presume to debate the legal interpretations against men trained in jurisprudence, yet the wide scope and far-reaching effects of this prayer ban are readily observed by trained attorneys and statesmen who know the trend of the times.

First, in the majority opinion rendered by Justice Black himself, "It does not matter that the prayer is denominationally neutral, or that it is voluntary for the students to recite it. When the power, prestige and financial support of the government is placed behind a particular religious belief, the indirect coercive pressure upon religious minorities to conform to the prevailing officially-approved religion is plain."

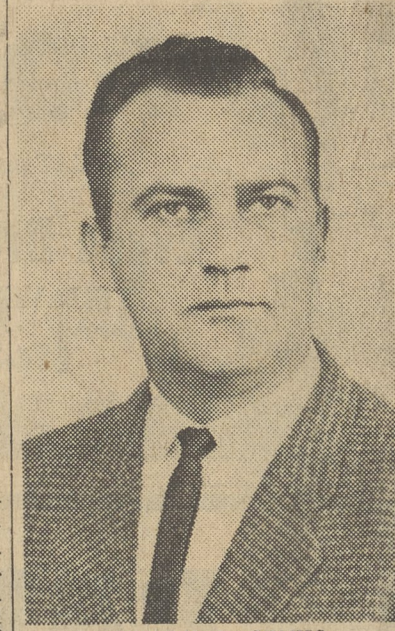
Now it would be the height of absurdity to think that Justice Black is accusing New York State of founding a new religion or a new denomination, and that he is fearful that some Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, or others will be coerced into leaving the church of their heritage and joining the New State Church! No, the barb of his rationalization is aimed only indirectly at the Regent's prayer in particular; it is thrust at religion in general. The argument of the atheists that their children are embarrassed and suffer undue official and social pressure when they do not participate in religious devotions in school is an argument that logically can be carried on to call for the destruction of the religious edifices in city and country, and the prohibition of all public functions, because the irreligious are socially embarrassed when others walk past their homes to go to church!

Dissenting Justice Potter Stewart expressed his opinion, "I cannot see how official religion is established by letting those who want to say a prayer say it. On the contrary, I think that to deny the wish of these children is to deny them the opportunity in sharing the spiritual heritage of our nation."

Former President Herbert Hoover said that the Court's interpretation of prayers in "our schools is a disintegration of one of the most sacred of American heritages."

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Linear Advances Four

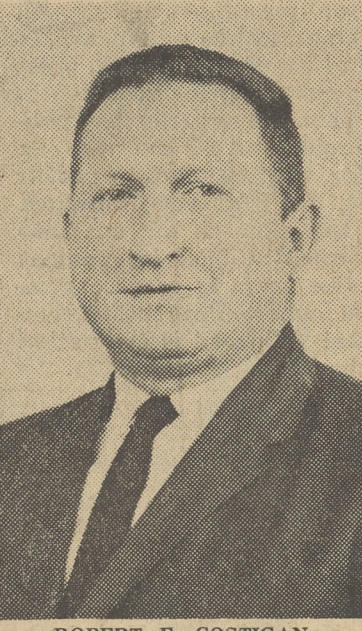


Philip H. Moore, Vice-President and General Manager of Linear, Incorporated, announced the following appointments among supervisory personnel at the Dallas facility: Donald G. Fannon, Overbrook Ave., Factory Manager, Andrew R. Lavix, Oak Hill, Ass't. Factory Manager; Robert F. Costigan R.D. 4, Superintendent, 4-12 shift; Andrew J. Semko, Swoyersville, Superintendent, 12-8 shift.

Mr. Fannon, a native of Forest Hills, Long Island joined Linear at Philadelphia as Plant Engineer. He is a graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology and holds membership in the Society of Professional Engineers.

As Factory Manager at Dallas, Mr. Fannon assumes complete responsibility for all Production, Engineering, Machine Shop and Maintenance operations, reporting directly to the Vice-President and General Manager, Mr. Moore.

Mr. Fannon and his wife are the



Mr. Lavix, a native of Hudson, becoming assistant to Mr. Fannon after having served as superintendent. He is a graduate of the Plains Township High School and attended Rutgers University. He is a member of Gate of Heaven Parish and is president of its Holy Name Society. He is a member of Jonathan R. Davis Fire Co. and member of the Board of Directors of the Harveys Lake Lions Club.

Mr. Lavix and his wife, the former Helen Mucavague of Swoyersville, have two daughters, Andrea and Marilee. Prior to joining Linear he was associated with the Okonite Co. in Wilkes-Barre and Passaic, N. J.

Mr. Costigan, a native of Philadelphia, joined Linear in 1947 and has held various supervisory positions since. He is a graduate of Roman Catholic High School, Philadelphia, where he was active in basketball

Because of her illness, the fiftieth wedding anniversary dinner planned by her and Mr. Lamoreaux for Saturday, October 13, at the Castle Inn has been cancelled.

False Alarm

Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company responded Sunday night at 7:30 to a call that there was a brush-fire near Reservoir Drive. About twenty men and a pumper investigated, but found



Mr. Semko, will assume the duties of Superintendent of all production operations on the 12-8 shift.

He is a graduate of Swoyersville High School and has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Mansfield State Teachers College. He has attended Rutgers University, New York University and Wilkes College, and took courses in Industrial Management and Personnel Relations.

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Gloria Dolbear Named To Represent Dallas At Flaming Foliage Festival



GLORIA DOLBEAR

Gloria Dolbear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Dolbear, Overbrook Avenue, Dallas, will represent Dallas Senior High School as Miss Dallas at the State Flaming Foliage Festival, Renovo, Pennsylvania on October 13 and 14.

Miss Dolbear, selected by her school for qualities of character, appearance, poise, and scholastic ability, will compete with high school seniors throughout the state. The Queen will receive a four-year partial scholarship to one of four universities in Pennsylvania along with other gifts.

Her other activities are: a member of Shavertown MYF, where she held the office of vice-president, secretary of the Back Mountain District MYF, Rainbow Girls, and member of the Shavertown Methodist Senior Choir. She has competed as soloist, and placed first, in the Eisteddfod, at the Dr. Edwards Memorial Church, Edwardsville, and has been guest soloist at various functions in the community. She is presently studying voice and piano, and hopes to attend college and major in Music.

Ross Walker, a Rotary Exchange student from Myrtleford, Victoria, Australia, will be her escort during the two-day festivities, which will include luncheon, parade, banquet, and Queen's Ball on Saturday, and crowning ceremonies on Sunday.

The Colorettes, Junior High School Keyettes and Drill Team will participate in the parade. Mr. Leon Emanuel is furnishing the convertible in which Miss Dolbear and Mr. Walker will ride in the parade.

Drouth Caused Loss Of One-Third Of County Apple And Potato Crops

Luzerne County has lost approximately one third of its potato and apple crops due to summer drought conditions, reports the Luzerne County Agricultural Extension. Even the County Demonstration potato plots lost about 150 to 200 bushels per acre.

On the other hand, this year's crops have turned out some outstanding produce, in terms of quality and size.

Those monster potatoes born this rainy September are no accident or atomic mutation. According to Assistant County Agent Ralph Beard, they are symptomatic of viny vegetables' response to this summer's strange weather.

All summer, fertilizer in potato fields lay dormant while the drought burned on. Then when the rain came so quickly .17 of an inch over normal, the fields gave forth huge fruit, as the vines quickly filled out.

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giant into the Post from Stanley Dymond's farm in Dymond Hollow -- two and one half pounds.

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Work Progresses At Lake-Lehman, Some Handicaps

Grounds Take Shape, Parking Lots, Roads, Being Blacktopped

At Lake-Lehman High School, the encircling driveway has had its first coat of blacktop; the entranceway has been completed; the cafeteria is fully equipped and in action.

With several days of much needed rain, seeding has taken hold and grass is growing on one side of the building.

Football practice goes ahead on the home field, where grass has been mowed and a set of goalposts erected.

Shop classes are still curtailed by lack of facilities. Until the shop can be opened, students are working in the cafeteria, doing mechanical drawing and figuring estimates for projects.

At Lehman elementary, black-topping has been done in the parking lots, behind the building and at the side which gives on the new administration offices from the area where the old frame building was recently razed.

The old football field is now a play area for grade school children. Play apparatus remains in its original location, but youngsters have the run of the entire field.

In the building, where painting and redecorating has been done, the cafeteria is serving meals, but to save dishwashing until modern equipment is hooked up, paper plates are being used. Plumbers are working on the equipment now.

At the Lake building, cafeteria service is being given. Some painting is still going on.

Noxen and Ross buildings, redecorated last year, required nothing but normal maintenance to ready them for school opening.

Total enrollment for Lake-Lehman, according to Robert Z. Belles, elementary supervisor, is 1758.

At the Senior Junior High School, there are 851 students.

Total elementary enrollment is 907. Lehman has 369 children; Lake, 186; Ross, 181; Noxen, 113. Kindergarten has enrollment of 57.

With no bus service offered, few parents from the outlying districts have enrolled their children in kindergarten. Most of the 57 pupils are living within a short distance of either the Lake or the Lehman schools, where classes are held.

Kindergarten teachers are Mrs. Helen Squier, at Lehman, and Mrs. Letha Schenck, at Lake. Mrs. Squier taught on a substitute basis last year Mrs. Schenck, of Noxen, is new to the teaching staff.

Bow And Arrow Season Starts

One Eager Sportsman Draws Stiff Penalty

Two deer were bagged during the opening days of bow and arrow season, one Monday, one on Tuesday, according to Ed Gdosky, Pennsylvania Game Commission. William Stuart, Dallas, got his deer on Monday; Jack Bachman, hunting with a party from Emmaus, got his on Tuesday at 8 a.m., bringing down an 80-pound doe at 40 yards. Both deer were taken in the Loyallville area.

Tuesday evening, Gdosky stalked an 18 year old sportsman who was treed on an apple bough, waiting with his bow and arrow for a deer to pass beneath, an hour beyond the legal time for hunting. Whizz went the arrow, away went the deer, and Ed announced, "You're under arrest."

The fine is \$15 and costs.

Each deer must be tagged before being moved from the location where it fell, and Harrisburg informed of the kill within a week. Postcards addressed to Harrisburg come with the hunting license.

Bow and arrow season started Monday, lasts until October 26.

The season is fairly long for wild geese. It starts October 10, ends December 8. On opening day of duck season, October 20, no hunter is allowed to fire a shot at anything until noon, EST. Duck season ends December 8.

Small game starts October 27 at 8 a.m. EST. Turkey season is slightly shorter than the rest of the small game, ending November 24. Other small game may be taken until Dec. 1, 5 pm, EST.

Bear season begins November 26, ends Dec. 1.

Antlered deer season starts December 3, 7 a.m. EST, ends December 15, followed by one day of doe season December 17. A hunter who has shot an antlered deer cannot apply for a doe license.

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CENTERMORELAND UFO IS WEATHER BALLOON

The strange lingering silver object high in the sky Tuesday morning over Centermoreland was a weather balloon traveling in southeasterly direction.

A number of residents in that area registered curiosity about it, and Lois London notified the Post. By noon-time, the balloon had become a sort of pet to the Back Mountain. Early afternoon a phone call came that there had been a flash of fire in the sky, and the balloon had disappeared.

A quick check of the sky showed one DC-3 and one jet-fighter where the balloon had been, with the latter now hanging over Luzerne and Kingston, still on its way south.

It appeared to be only half-inflated, headed toward the earth.

Forty Hunt For Lost Noxen Tots

Lured By Fire Siren From Snake Country

Some forty citizens, with State Police and volunteer firemen, combed the foot of Schooley Mountain and surrounding area Tuesday afternoon in search of three small children, lost since lunch-time.

Geraldine Hetttesheimer, 5, Billy Traver, 4, and Morrison Witter, 3, were playing together, and had wandered off. Mrs. James Hetttesheimer notified Fire Chief Fred Schenck.

Wandering around without fear in the deserted Armour Company tannery, the tots came out of the woods when they heard the fire siren blowing, probably to see a fire. They had been sleeping.

But the siren was blown by Chief Schenck on the advice of State Police, in hopes that it would lure the children back to town. It did. They had been exploring up back of Tannery Hill, and when they got tired, they lay down and went to sleep.

They were gone about four hours, during which the parents, the Hetttesheimers, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Traver, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Witter, were frantic, as was a large part of Noxen.

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LISTINGS FOR SMITH AHEAD OF WILLIAMS IN NEW PHONE BOOK

Since listing of all telephone numbers alphabetically in the new Commonwealth Telephone Co. book, taking in the entire area, a trend has reversed itself.

Always before, Williams was the name that led in point of numbers, for the Back Mountain region.

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