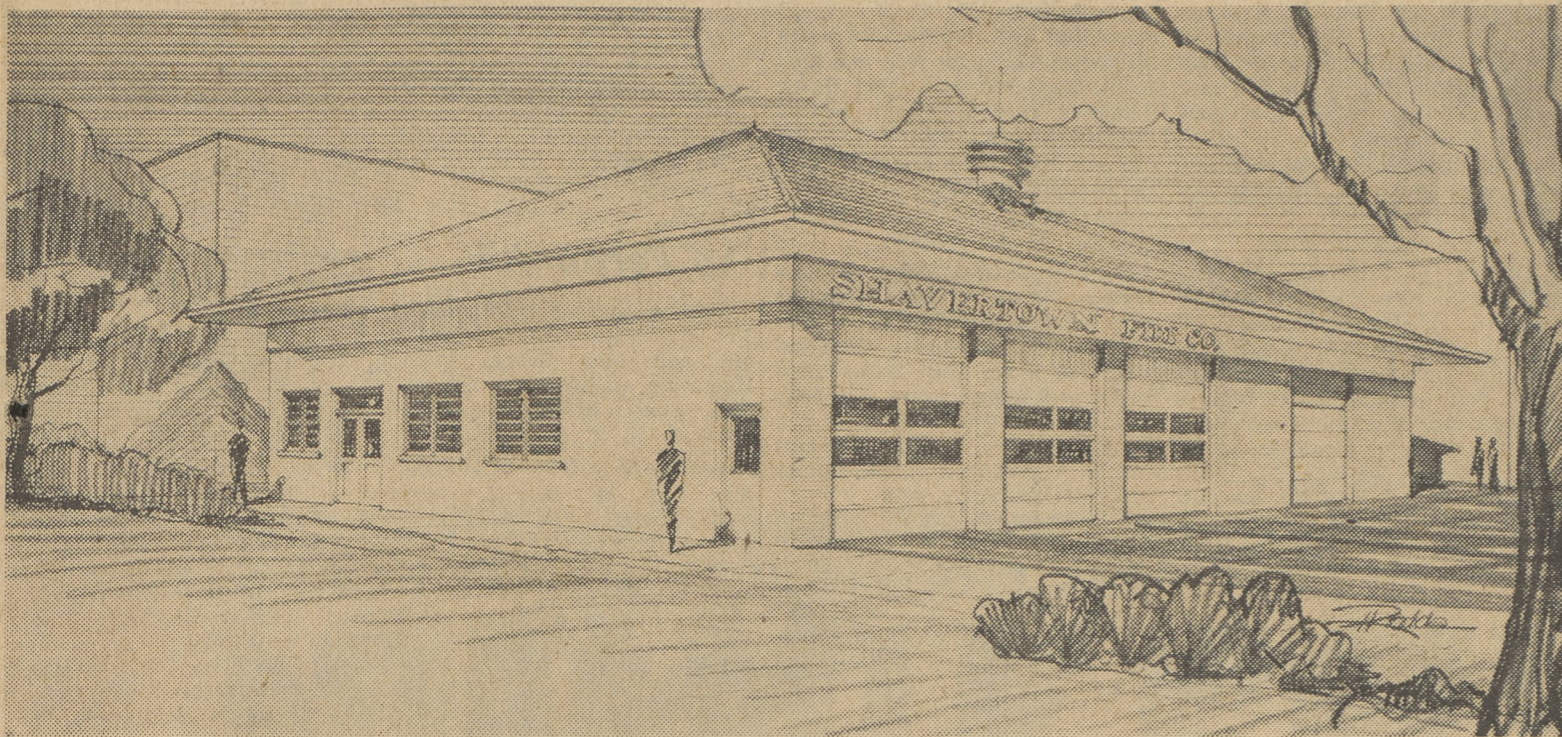


# Modern New Building Completely Heated By Electricity

Building Was Designed By Allen, Rodda and Hauck



This is the architect's sketch of the new Shavertown Fire Company Building which was designed by Allen, Rodda and Hauck to replace the old building on Main Street which was razed to make way for the new Back Mountain Lumber & Coal Company Building shortly after its disastrous fire on September 7, 1961.

The Fire Company building was built by and given to the fire company by Back Mountain Lumber & Coal Company in an unusual gesture of community good will in return for a small parcel of land now used as a driveway between the two buildings.

The Fire House was constructed at a cost of more than \$30,000 and contains a three-stall garage to house the fire apparatus and Kingston Township Community Ambulance. There is also a large combination meeting room and kitchen with all modern facilities.

Another unusual feature—possibly unparalleled anywhere; the building is maintained, light and heat furnished by Back Mountain Lumber & Coal Company which also pays the insurance on the fire house.

A section of the building, completely separate from the Fire Company quarters, is presently used for storage by Back Mountain Lumber & Coal Company, but could if future growth of the community demands, be easily converted for Fire Company use.

Dr. Mellman, superintendent of Dallas Schools, characterized this year's program as an austerity regime. Increased enrollment, he stated, had caught up with increased faculty, returning the class size to almost what it was before the start of 1961-62. Again, the faculty must be augmented.

Every classroom in the new building is in use. The auditorium, music and band rooms will need to be used for classes next year. Teachers in mathematics, English, and science are approaching the limit of their ability to instruct as classes became larger.

Small classes, Dr. Mellman explained, foster closer contact between teacher and student, giving an instructor a chance to spot bad study habits in time to take corrective measures, and leading to discovery of special skills and interests. A desirable goal in High School, he said, is 25 or 26 in a class. Expected in senior high school next year are 639 students.

Dr. Mellman welcomes the idea of using the auditorium for instruction by use of T-V and movies.

Questions from the audience include these: Is it possible that the high school is already too small? What will be the long-range quality of education under the proposed Luzerne County reorganization plan? Why should Dallas merge? We have a good school system.

## Fifty Out Of 8,600 Taxpayers Are Interested In Dallas Schools

Fifty tax-payers out of approximately 8,600 who support the Dallas Schools found time to attend a meeting Wednesday night in Dallas Senior High School. They were lost in the 604 seat auditorium.

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How will the merged district be financed?

Is the school lunch program a success? Is food wasted in the elementary schools?

Accelerated program?

Are we doing enough for the gifted child?

What about the average student? Is he getting a break or is he coasting?

Our budget. Is it too high or too low?

Could the Pennsylvania Economy League help analyze future budgets?

Apathy in the community? Rearrange the bus schedule and watch irate citizens descend upon the schoolboard.

Findings; Merging of districts is not apt to lower the quality of instruction, nor increase the administrative cost. Real advantages can be envisaged, such as central record and tape library, pooling of certain unusual resources. The proposal will be studied at a special school board session.

Formation of a Union District enabled the Dallas jointure to build a new High School which it had to have. Schools cost money. Upkeep costs money. Education costs money. Dallas spends this year \$415.57 per pupil, as against last year's \$404.69.

The budget, reiterated Dr. Mellman, has been cut to the bone. It had to include several extra teachers.

Morris Slater presided, Mr. Clewell

read the questions aloud.

Before the meeting, a report on a panel discussion held May 9 and May 22, where pupils answered questions on social behavior posed by parents, was distributed. It was issued by Warren Yarnal, moderator, and it contained some exceptionally well thought out adult conclusions reached by youthful panelists Barbara Tag, Dale Mosier, Marlene Futch and John Dana, in response to questions posed by Mrs. Fred Eck, Mrs. Earl Phillips, William Wright, and George Jacobs.

The report recently submitted to the School Board, rated a grade of excellent by Dr. Mellman, who considered it highly significant.

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## "Why Isn't There A Cardinal Bird In That Case?" Has A Simple Answer

The case of birds at the Dallas Post is a never-failing attraction for children of the neighborhood, who sometimes wonder why the display does not contain a cardinal.

A hundred years ago, when the birds were mounted by Herman Jopling of Inkerman as his prize hobby, cardinals had not filtered into Pennsylvania from below the Mason-Dixon Line. Even twenty years ago, a cardinal on a snowy morning in Dallas was front page news, and one cardinal could keep several families happy, going from one feeder to another.

George T. Budd of Dallas says the birds in their glass case used to be housed in the third floor of his parents home after his grandfather Jopling gave them to his parents. When Mrs. George W. Budd gave up her home in Druid Hills to move to Washington, the birds came to roost at the Dallas Post.

Mr. Budd dropped in at the Dallas Post last Thursday. "Mother sometimes inquires about her birds," he said, "but I don't know a thing about birds. Couldn't name more than three." He continued, "They are over a hundred years old."

## Twenty-Pint Debt Of Blood Wiped Out By Donation

Certificates for twenty pints of blood have been sent from Wyoming Valley Red Cross to University of Pennsylvania Graduate Hospital in payment of the debt owed by the John Chesnovitch family, cancelling the entire obligation.

Two Kingston Township men, keeping an eye on the blood donation October 5, offered to donate if two more pints were needed, and did so when their blood was required to complete the total contribution.

Mrs. Chesnovich, says Mrs. Edward Gilroy, coordinator, has offered to do anything in her power for the Red Cross in gratitude for a significant service. It is the Red Cross which is the liaison between donor and patient.

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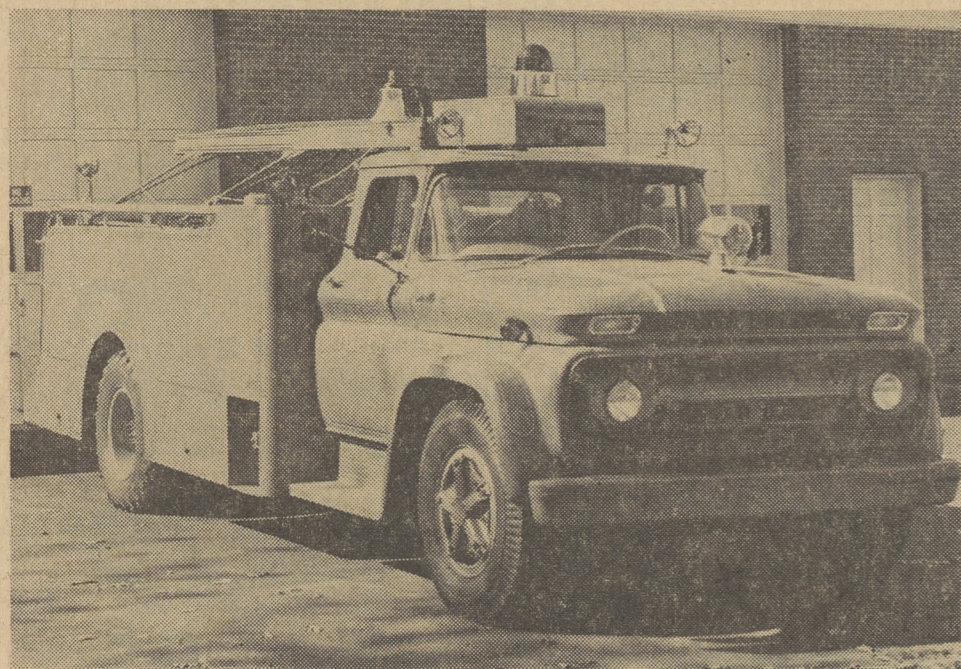
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