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Only Yesterday
Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

It Happened 30 Years Ago

Miss Flora Brown, teacher of the J. B. C. Class of Dallas M.E. Church, was honored at a dinner. Teacher of a boys' class since 1914, she was, prior to that date, a primary school S.S. teacher. Dallas took Kingston Township 23 to 19. Sixty tax-payers of Dallas Township formed an association dedicated to lowering of taxes. J. F. Beseker was showing the first of the new line of V-8 Fords, a radical departure in motor cars. Three-cent postage for letters went into effect, and an editorial said that folks were looking for ways to use third-class mail instead. It cited the law of diminishing returns, said postal revenue was being lost which could not be regained, and deplored the situation. You could get veal roast for 12 cents a pound, boiling beef for six.

It Happened 20 Years Ago

Melvin Adler, Shavertown, serving somewhere in the Pacific, was wounded in action. Basketball teams abandoned the idea of bobsleds for transportation to games, adopted haywagons instead. Too many bare spots on the roads. Joe MacVeigh was named Colonel for West Side War Chest drive. Corporal Charles H. Morgan, Demunds, was reported a Japanese prisoner. No word had been received of the whereabouts of Walter Wilson, Dallas, believed to have been on Corregidor when that stronghold fell. Dallas Borough high school had its third band-leader since the first of the year, George Griffith succeeding David Smith. A new siren was installed at the observation post on Parrish Heights. Luzerne County farmers hoped to have the school term shortened, so students could help with farm work, replacing men in service. Lehman was having a rough time filling vacancies on its faculty. Mrs. Dorothy W. Major was hired for a third grade teacher, two other positions remained vacant. Harvesting of 14 inch ice at Harveys Lake went forward steadily. From servicemen: Robert Dierolf, Louisiana; James Knecht, Camp Campbell; Albert Mekeel, Florida; Arden Evans, Camp Polk; Howard Carey, England; Edward Parrish, Fort Bragg; Gilbert F. Huey, San Francisco APO; Stephen Hayer, Colorado; William Paul Sutton, Richmond; Harry E. Metzger, Kessler Field; Alderson boys: George Kuchta, Lloyd Garinger, Virginia, William Gaynor in Massachusetts, Thomas Garrity and Charlie Kern in Florida; Glenn Kitchen, Fort Custer; Foster D. Sutton, Camp Shelby; Robert E. Davis, hospital at Scott Field; Durwood Split, in hospital at Camp Edwards; Willard Rogers, Utah; Rudy Fanit, Camp Wheeler; Robert B. Price, Gulfport; Leonard Harvey, Brooklyn. Entering the service, a third son of the Templins, William, aviation cadet; Harry Snyder, Miami, aviation cadet; Mrs. Joan Harvey, WAVES. Donald Hoover, aviation cadet. Clarence Boston, Lehman principal, meteorologist. Died: Ruth Lewis, 68, former Dallas resident.

It Happened 10 Years Ago

Blood Donor Day in memory of Dr. Sherman Schooley netted the Red Cross 141 pints. Library Association elected Howard Risley president, succeeding Miss Frances Dorrance. Elected to the board of directors were Charles James, Bud Silverman, Harry Ohlman, Paul Goddard, Mrs. Lewis LeGrand, Paul Warriner, James Hutchison, Arthur Ross. For two-year terms, Mrs. Harold Titman, Mrs. Ray Hedden, D. T. Scott, Mrs. A. D. Hutchison, Mrs. Mae Townsend, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Fred Eck, Robert Bachman, George Taylor, Henry Peterson, Mrs. Fred Howell, Charles Nuss, Mitchell Jenkins, Raymond Kuhner, Howard Risley, Mary Weir, Paul Gross. On the coldest day of the year, a boiler blew up at Guyette's in Trucksville, injuring nobody, but scorching the staff stiff. Clouds of steam, torrents of boiling water, due to a stuck safety-valve. Died: Mrs. Alida Weaver, 63, Lehman native. Mrs. Maude W. Keller, 75, Shavertown. Married: Mary Ellen Humphreys to Thomas Franklin. Doris Marion Grey to Richard Schooley. Anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. William F. Myers, 56th.

New Information Officer At Benton Air Force Base

Newly installed Information Officer at Benton Air Force Base is Lt. Richard Cohen, succeeding Lt. Frank Clark. Lt. Cohen lives at Harveys Lake, occupying a cottage at Watahune Park. He comes from New York City.

Rambling Around
By The Oldtimer — D. A. Waters

Commentators and columnists are still debating whether William Scranton is the 41st or the 103rd governor of Pennsylvania, more or less a few numbers in either case. Obviously there cannot be this great difference in fact, the counting is different. Like the case in the U.S., whether Grover Cleveland should be counted once or twice as president, many men have held office in Pennsylvania more than one term or one time. Then there were all kinds of acting governors, temporary governors, deputy governors, and lieutenant governors, not to mention presidents of this or that ranking as governors, and at first, William Penn, Proprietor and Governor, and his sons and grandsons. The Penns owned and ruled Pennsylvania for ninety-five years, finally after the Revolution destroyed their charter rights, sold it to the state for one hundred and thirty thousand pounds, a lot of money in those days. This was not all profit. The family had spent a lot of money in the colony, and had received some before.

William Penn was in the colony only two periods of about two years each. Once his colony was taken away from him by the King and added to the domains of the Royal Governor Benjamin Fletcher of New York, but later returned. In William Penn's absence and all the time later, Deputy governors, lieutenant governors, or presidents of the council, performed the functions of governor, one time five deputies serving jointly. This period accounts for about forty in the big number of governors, some of them counted three or four times. William Markham served off and on over a period of eighteen years in three periods. In between and later Thomas Lloyd served four times in nine years. Later James Hamilton served three times, intermittently, over twenty-three years. The really big man in Penn's time was James Logan, his Provincial secretary, who held office as president of the council only one two-year period ranking as governor. He probably held other offices.

On July 3, 1775 the Provincial Assembly passed resolutions appointing a Committee of Safety with Benjamin Franklin as President. Later a convention appointed a Council of Safety July 24, 1776. On March 5, 1777 the Council of Safety and the General Assembly were organized as the Supreme Executive Council, the presidents ranking as the real governor for one year terms. This period accounts for about a dozen of the big numbers as governor, some counted more than once. This was under the Constitution of 1776. Those who count 41 governors start with the Constitution of 1790, in effect 49 years, with governors serving three-year terms. First was Thomas Mifflin, of Quaker extraction, who was a major general in the Revolution, a member of the Continental Congress, and currently served as president of the Supreme Executive Council, who professed no political party. Following him there were 2 Democratic-Republicans (forerunners of the present Democrats), 1 Antimason, 2 Whigs, 13 Democrats and 22 Republicans. Some lists show more Democratic-Republicans and fewer Democrats.

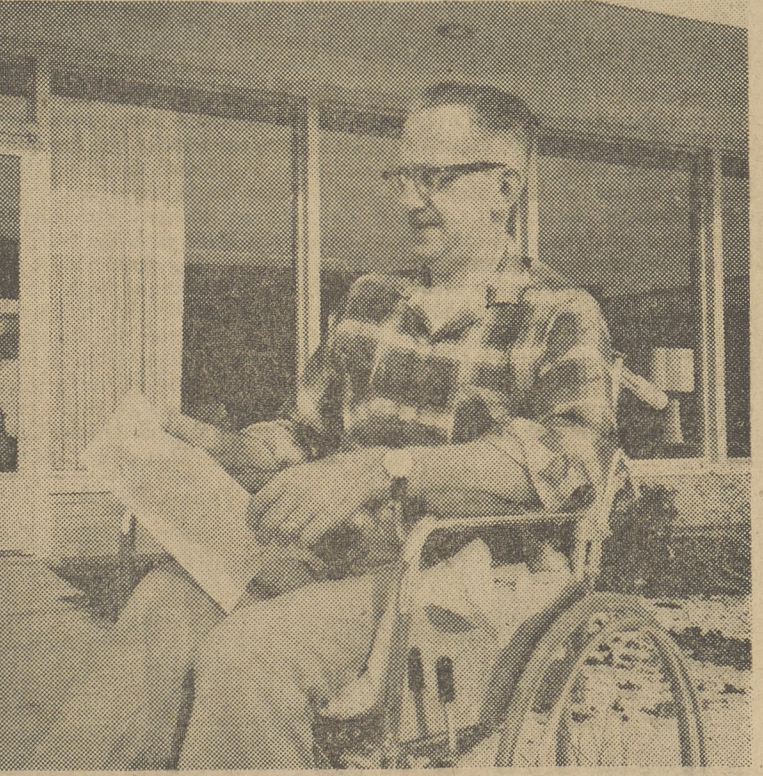
Those who want to get real technical, and build up the 103 governors, remember there were five hundred whites in the territory when it was named Pennsylvania, before Penn assumed control. The Dutch claimed the Delaware area, called the South River, from 1624 to 1664. The Swedes had governors of their Delaware Colony beginning in 1638 until they were captured by Dutch Peter Stuyvesant in 1655. Their first governor was the same Peter Minuit, who bought Manhattan Island for \$24 for the Dutch long before. All were captured by the English in 1664 and held until recaptured by the Dutch in 1673, and again captured and held by the English in 1674, the English Governor being Sir Edmund Andros. There is a long list of governors, commanders, etc. covering this long pre-Penn period.

Apparently the first actual resident Governor in what is now Pennsylvania was Johan Printz, who built a log mansion, called Printzhook, on Tinicum Island and occupied it in June 1644. Earlier Swedes resided at Fort Christiana, now in Delaware. At his big dinner, opening the place in the place the engagement of his beautiful daughter, Armeget, nineteen, to Capt. John Pappagoja, attractive young commandant at Fort Christiana was announced. He succeeded his father-in-law as governor.

The marriage of Armeget Printz to Captain John Pappagoja by Reverend John Campanius in the new Trinity Church, is the first recorded Christian wedding in Pennsylvania. It was the culmination of the first known romance among white people of the state.

Hummel, Confined To Wheelchair, Is Co-Editor Of Valley Crest News

by Chaplain Charles Gilbert



It has been a long five years for Larry Hummel, now co-editor of the Valley Crest News, which he edits from his wheelchair. With a sickening crash the two cars met head-on in front of Duke Isaacs on the Dallas Highway. It was ten at night on December 1, 1958 when Larry Hummel and his wife were riding in a car driven by Larry's brother William. A car approaching tried to pass a trailer, smashed into the Hummell car sending all three to Nesbitt Hospital. William's legs were broken. Mrs. Hummel's scalp was torn from her forehead. Larry's right knee hit the dash, smashing his thigh bone into his hip socket. Later he was removed to General Hospital where in May 1959 bone grafting was done and for six months he was encased in a full body cast to include the upper right leg.

Many Dallas area people remember the Hummells. Larry and his wife lived across from Checkerboard Inn on Carverton Road. Twenty five years ago he managed the American Stores in Shavertown and Trucksville. The older son Pic John Hummel is a cook and baker with the U.S. Army. After two years in Germany he has re-enlisted for six more years. Larry G., age 15, graduated from Westmoreland High in 1959, now attends Coughlin High, working part time. William has recovered from his accident and is now working at Whitesells Lumber. Mrs. Hummel has resumed work as a clerk at Boston Store.

By December 1959 Larry could get about in a wheelchair. He sold his home in Trucksville and moved into a house across from Craft Associates on Madison street, Wilkes-Barre. To the credit of this concern it should be said that they made such adjustments that Larry could work there. The City cut down the curb of the Hummell place and black-topped the driveway free of charge so that Larry could wheel his rented chair across the street to work. Larry suffered another injury when bumped by a truck door. This sent him back to General Hospital where he was fitted to a body and leg brace. What Larry needed now was expert therapy which on his reduced income he could not afford. Luzerne County's new Home was now opening in January 1962 with all facilities for rehabilitation. Larry was 47 when admitted in May 25, 1962 at Valley Crest Home. When the chaplain visited Larry he found a man low in spirit, all

Cub Pack Gives Awards At Blue And Gold Dinner

Cub Pack 233 held its Annual Blue and Gold Dinner Tuesday evening at Shavertown Methodist Church. Seven dens and a webelos den were represented. The theme, "Go, Go, Go, Round-Up" carried out its decorative scheme with miniature rockets of gold and blue. Invocation was given by Rev. Robert Yost. Scoutmaster Joseph Precone made the awards, assisted by William Fredericks, assistant Scout Master. Brief remarks were given by Robert Evans, Scout Headquarters; Scout Masters John Butler and Malcolm Kitchen. Guest of honor was William Precone. Benediction was by Rev. Fredericks Eidan. Receiving one year pins were Charles Waite, Thomas Kreidler, Paul Dymond, John Thier; two year pins, David Merithew, Robert Brown; three year pin, Brian Wadas. Den Chief Cords went to Edward Friar, Loren Dymond, Vincent Roman, Albert Williams, Robert Glenn, Jeffrey Gillis; Denners Stripe to Paul Detweiler; Assistant Denners Stripe to James Groblewski. Winning awards were: John Harowitz, Bear Badge, Lion Book, 2 Silver Arrows; James Brown, Wolfe Badge, Bear Book, 3 Silver and 1 Gold Arrow; James Roman, Lion Book, 2 Silver and 1 Gold Arrow; Robert Youngblood, 2 Silver and 1 Gold Arrow; William Youngblood, Gold and Silver Arrow; John Porter, Wolfe Badge, Bear Book, Gold Arrow; Robert Merithew, Bear Badge, Lion Book; Thomas McCabe, Bobcat Badge, Wolfe Book; Brian Wadas, Lion Badge. David Wood, Gold Arrow; Jeffrey Gillis, Bear Badge, Lion Book; Larry Spaciano, Gold, Silver Arrow; Thomas Kreidler, Wolfe Badge, Lion Book, Gold, Silver Arrow; Paul Dymond, Silver Arrow, Lion Book; Warren Boyes, Bear Badge, Gold Arrow; Kenneth Covert, Bear Badge, Lion Book, Gold Arrow; James Gosart, Gold Arrow; John Thier, Silver Arrow; Joseph Precone, Bear Book, Wolfe Badge; Michael Precone, Lion Badge, Gold and Silver Arrow. William Connors, Bobcat Badge, Wolfe Book; Donald Voelker, Silver Arrow; William Fredericks, Bear Badge, Lion Book; James Groblewski, Bobcat Badge, Wolfe Book; Mark Groblewski, Bobcat Badge, Wolfe Book; Donald Innes, Bobcat Badge, Wolfe Book. Dinner was served by Auxiliary ladies, Mrs. William Fredericks, Mrs. George Shaver, Mrs. Joseph Youngblood, Mrs. Warren Boyes. Den Mothers are Mrs. Vincent Roman, Mrs. David Lohman, Mrs. William Flack, Mrs. Thomas Kreidler, Mrs. Allen Covert, Mrs. Robert Voelker, Mrs. Danie Detweiler. Frank Wadas has the Webelos Den. Next meeting will be held March 4.

From— Pillar To Post...

By Hix

Mrs. Matt Evans was annoyed when she spotted her daughter's new fur cap in the trash barrel. "This," she fumed, reaching into the barrel to retrieve the Christmas present, "is the freezing limit." She laid her hand on the cap, and the cap felt warm, much too warm for a subzero morning. An astonishing amount of warmth in a fur cap, everybody should have one, she reflected. The cap reared up on its hind legs and regarded Mrs. Evans with a baleful eye. The cap and Mrs. Evans stared each other down for a tense moment. The largest opossum Mrs. Evans had ever seen then hoisted itself over the rim of the barrel in slow motion, dragging its tail behind it, and making a rustling sound as it inched itself over the crusted snow. The whole thing set Mrs. Evans back on her heels. It was just as astonishing as the yellow Persian kitten that suddenly spread wide yellow wings and flitted off into the shrubbery; or the mouse hanging upside down on the white bricks of the fireplace that unfurled a velvet pinion, tucked it back again in position, and settled down for another nap; or the small Mallard duck which left its tail feathers in a zealous grasp and went staggering off, describing dizzy swoops and dips in the air as it headed erratically for the nearest open water. Things should stay put. Nobody should have to rearrange thoughts with such frantic speed. Seeing a fur cap materialize a pink-tipped pointed snout and a prehensile tail, or a kitten sprout, wings, or a mouse turn into a bat, is just as upsetting to the morale as swallowing a forkful of mashed turnips when you are set for mashed potatoes. Turnips are excellent in their proper place, but they need mental preparation and adjustment before they can be thoroughly enjoyed. One thing that did stay put this year, and to good advantage, considering the weather up to this point, was the groundhog. Nice of him to remain in his burrow, during that foul Saturday. The Founding Fathers of Punxsutawney, arrayed in tall silk hats, may have booted their local product out into the open for a look at Pennsylvania weather at its most disagreeable; but hereabouts, where the groundhog does not constitute a career, come February 2, the amiable animal gave us a break by remaining cozily underground. Now, bring on that spring weather. An early bird was heard to give out with an abortive chirp a couple of days ago, and who knows what February could bring forth, aided and abetted by a cooperative groundhog? Early yellow croci have been known to croak February 26.

Delton Fire Auxiliary To Sell Vegetable Soup

Jonathan R. Davis Fire Company Auxiliary laid plans Monday evening for a home-made vegetable soup sale to take place next Tuesday at the Fire House in Idetown, starting at 4 p. m. Patrons are asked to bring quart containers. If necessary, delivery may be arranged through Mrs. George Carpenter, Mrs. Lee Bicking, Mrs. Clifford Davis, Mrs. Louis Lanin, Jr., or Mrs. Charles Casterline. Clifford Ide, recently retired after being employed with the Ockonite 24 years. Ide first began working for the company in 1939, when it was located in Wilkes-Barre. Six years ago the Ockonite was transferred to New Brunswick, N. J., and Mr. Ide was transferred also and has been working there up until the present time. Mr. Ide and his wife have a son, Dean, of Dallas.

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Editorially Speaking:

A POLITICAL GRAB?

By Dorothy Anderson

The old adage of "Strike When the Iron is Hot," is applicable to the current unrest in Kingston Township over its affiliation with the Wilkes-Barre Post Office. The great majority of residents were unaware of all that the political grab entailed. Service began, and forces of both offices were thrown together before houses were correctly numbered. Did they have to move fast because an incoming administration would not condone their plan? Mountain Top likewise fell under its jurisdiction. We are nine miles away from Wilkes-Barre. Why should we be classed as part and parcel of the office located there? Door to door delivery sounded great to unsuspecting citizens, while surveys completed for just such a service prepared by local postmasters, could not be made public until postal officials approved. We are proud of our Back Mountain region and the fresh atmosphere where we propose to live and raise our families. We do not appreciate losing our individuality unless it is for the common good of the entire region. Trucksville, an old community, completely lost its identity when the transfer of postal facilities was made. Our own Post Office bearing the proud title of Shavertown-Trucksville is permissible under the postal laws. Door to door delivery can still be maintained, using our own citizens as employees. Hundreds of names on a petition can easily meet with consideration by the Postal Department. It is not too late to do something about it. Let's move quickly. The time to keep Kingston Township independent is now.

Chilly Weekend Ahead For Scouts Of Shavertown Boy Troop 232

It looks like a chilly weekend for John Butler's Boy Scouts, but they have camped out in sub-zero weather, in a howling blizzard, in drenching rain, and at the other end of the spectrum, have baked on the annual canoe-paddle down the Susquehanna, finishing the week with peeling noses and blistered backs. Hardy bunch, not to mention Mr. Butler and Jim McCoo. On Thursday, Boy Scouts of Troop 232 will pitch their tents in the Back Mountain Shopping Center. This is the way the schedule looks: Activities for Scout week. THURSDAY Set up Tents in Back Mountain Shopping Center. FRIDAY 5:00: Set up Camp - build fires in stoves. Prepare Ground beds. 6:00 P.M. - Prepare to WELCOME VISITORS. Set up Demonstrations; prepare Coffee and Donuts. 7:00: Rope making and Knot Tying. Prizes for visitors tying 5 knots. 8:00: FIRST AID Demonstration By Scouts. Kingston Township Ambulance Team Demonstration. 10:00: Prepare for Bed. SATURDAY 7:00 A.M. - Arise, wash and prepare Breakfast. Clean up. 9:00: Inspection; Explorers start Hunter Stew for Dinner for all. 9:30: Signalling - Compass - Rope Making - Knot Tying and Map Making. 12:00: Dinner - Hunters Stew-Hard Rolls. 2:30: Break Camp. National Scout Sunday, February

Ambulance Puts In Full Day Thursday

Kingston Township Ambulance crew had a full day Thursday. At 2:30 p.m. they were called to take Jennie Hooper to Wyoming Valley Hospital; Mrs. Stella Bartleson was taken to Nesbitt Hospital at 5 p.m. While returning home, the men received an emergency call to rush to the scene of an accident on Route 309. Dr. Walter Mokychev and Mrs. Anna Getz were taken to Nesbitt Hospital. Kreischer, Roan, H. Smith and Pugh manned the first trip. Yeust, Kreischer, Smith and Pugh took the next calls with William Frederick, captain, on hand to administer oxygen to Mrs. Getz, who was in critical condition. Breaks Arm On Ice Verne Pritchard, Trucksville, tax collector of Kingston Township, slipped on the ice near home Sunday and broke several bones in his left wrist. A cast was applied by Dr. Charles Perkins Tuesday.

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