

Editorially Speaking:

SALUTE TO ROBERT W. JOHNSON
The Dallas Post salutes the late Robert W. Johnson, not only as a truly great editor with 57 years of newspaper experience at the Wilkes-Barre Record, but as a staunch friend of the Dallas Post.

During the early days, when Howard Risley first acquired the Dallas Post, Mr. Johnson's friendship and support was of inestimable value.

It was at the Wilkes-Barre Record, under Mr. Johnson's guidance, that Mr. Risley and his associate Howell Reese, cut their teeth on the newspaper business. It was Mr. Johnson's encouragement which motivated the venture into rural newspapering.

It was a spontaneous word of praise from Mr. Johnson that gave renewed impetus to Hix, in the early days of her association with the Dallas Post.

As a young boy, Bob Johnson used to play in the barn which is now known far and wide as the Auction Barn. When the Library Auction was first suggested, Mr. Johnson lent it his support, and saw to it that the infant undertaking had recognition in his paper. Throughout the years, he was one of those who unflinchingly promoted the annual Auction.

The Back Mountain feels as deep a sense of loss as the Wyoming Valley at the death on November 5 of a man who in the deepest sense had been a symbol of integrity and of progress, dedicated to the best interests of the community which he had helped to shape.

Rev. Lewis Will Speak On Civil War Friday

Rev. William Lewis, pastor of Jackson Street Baptist Church, Scranton, will be guest speaker Friday evening at the Civil War Round Table to be held at the Library Annex at 8 p. m.

The guest speaker will base his theme on "Luzerne and Lackawanna County participation in the Civil War." He will bring with him a singer who will give several Civil War numbers.

Post-Halloween Goblins

Children in Lehman liberally soaped a large black Cadillac last Friday night at around 8:30, and ground their feet into the finish of the flaring door ledge. Richard Disque, Dallas funeral director knows who the children are, but hesitates to make an issue out of it. The car is his livelihood, and has to be kept in spottless condition. It survived the Halloween season, fell prey to malicious mischiefmakers one week later.

Hurry Call

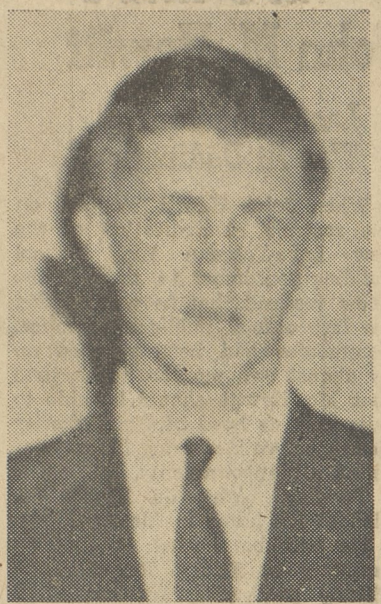
Monday at 5 a.m. Robert Becker, Church Street, Dallas, received an ambulance call. He got in touch with another member of the crew since he and his wife were momentarily expecting the birth of their second child.

An hour later, he took his wife to Nesbitt Hospital where a baby daughter was born, on the first birthday of his son.

Dallas Birthdays

Birthday greetings this week to: Walter Elston, Mrs. James A. Wertman, Allan Mosier, Robert E. Van Horn, Gerald Brunges, Nancy Jane

Receives Honor



Another Shavertown boy received recognition recently when Charles Malmes, junior at Pennsylvania State University, was elected to the College of Engineering Student Council.

"Chuck" as he is better known to his friends is also on the Editorial Staff of the Student Engineering Magazine, "Spectrum" and is currently serving as house manager of the Triangle Fraternity of which he is a member.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Malmes, E. Franklin Street, the engineering student is a graduate of Westmoreland High School, class of 1961, and has been on the honor student roll since he entered Penn State.

Crispell, Richard Bayliss, Kathy A. Maury, Harbert Marley, Donald Evans, Jr., William Lancio Jimmy Roth, Milford H. Shaver, William Bruce Fleming and Mrs. William J. Thomas, Jr.

Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer — D. A. Waters

The free public school for everyone is relatively young in the history of the world. For probably thousands of years, the education of the young was a family matter. Dedham, Mass., claims it had the first free school supported by public taxation in the whole country, built in 1648-49, with a watchtower on top to look out for Indian raids. Many ministers and other educated persons did a thriving business tutoring the children of the more wealthy. Most of the poor were not educated and many could not read and write.

Schools and teachers were reasonably numerous, even in Colonial times. Many religious denominations established schools. Some groups of parents made subscriptions to run a school, and sometimes teachers set up schools and charged tuition. To take care of those unable to pay, Pennsylvania started to pass Pauper Education Acts in 1822, and later in 1804 and 1809. The State Constitution of 1790 provided: "The Legislature shall, as soon as conveniently may be, provide by law for the establishment of schools throughout the state, in such a manner that the poor may be taught gratis." The courts soon ruled that it would not be unconstitutional for the rich to be taught gratis also. There was intense activity in the state legislature in 1833-36 during which several actions were taken on public schools. A whole school code was adopted in 1911 and numerous changes have been made, probably at almost every session, since.

According to W. P. Ryman, in his "History of Dallas Township," the first schools here were private, about 1813 or 1814, conducted by either a Mr. Bell or Joseph Sweazy, in an old barn on lot 53, near the present Chris Eipper farm. On land donated by Philip Shaver, ancestor of half dozen families still residing here, the first schoolhouse in Dallas was built of logs in 1816 at the intersection of Franklin and Huntsville Streets. The schoolhouse was there before the roads were officially laid out, and stood until about 1853-54. It was used for all kinds of meetings in addition to school.

Candles in small holders, hung on nails in window and door frames furnished the only light, and all evening meetings were begun at "candlelight," since there were practically no clocks or watches here then.

Mr. Ryman, who grew up on the Space farm, states that it was

followed by a "red" schoolhouse. Some still living here are indefinite about the color of the wooden building which, in their time, stood on that corner. Maybe the paint was practically gone, or the building or siding may have been replaced in the meantime. The late Sterling Machell once told me he attended that school in the last year it was operated. The teacher was William H. Stang, who later became a Methodist minister, well known through this area.

For 1823-24 Mr. Ryman records, "Very hard times. The children of Joseph Wright, John Thorn, Peter Gary, Aaron Duffy, Nicholas Keiser, and Nathan Worden were returned to be educated by the county, because the parents were too poor." Some of their descendants still reside here.

Being dissatisfied with the schools some public-spirited men formed the Dallas High School Association in 1878, subscribed to shares, and with their own money built the two-story frame building on an adjoining lot in the fall of 1878. The Township continued to run the one room school for a while. After the Borough was formed in 1879, the school directors eventually took over the high school. The old one-room school was moved across the corner and used as a temporary residence while the Vincent Hoover house was being built.

The old high school building was enlarged in 1916. In 1925 a rush of pupils caused the school board to purchase and erect a two-room "temporary" building along the sidewalk, sometimes referred to as the "chicken coop." When the brick building was built in 1928, the temporary building was moved around to the north side and "temporarily" placed in an inset there until the building was completed. Later the heating was hooked up to the brick building and the two-story frame building also, and all are still in use.

Nothing has ever been done to complete the 1928 brick building although the board looked into it about thirty years ago. Several thousand dollars were originally spent for additional steel, plumbing, etc. to allow additional rooms but they were never built.

When the building was built, authorities, etc. were unknown. Districts paid their own bills and borrowed their own money under legal limits. The borough borrowing capacity was insufficient to complete the building.

Only Yesterday

Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

30 Years Ago

Grand Old Party (GOP) was victorious again, wiping the eye of the Independents. G. A. Hahn, Himmler and Clark were elected to Council, Thomas as auditor. Victors in Kingston Township were Prater and Appleton. Overwhelming majority demanded repeal of the 18th Amendment, but were adamant on turning down Sunday sports.

Mrs. E. A. Baker died in Noxen. Many organizations were solidly behind the attempt to beautify the roadsides from the Valley to Dallas by planting shrubs and flowers. Nobody said anything about the billboards.

Kingston Township team beat Wyoming Seminary on its first Alumni Day.

Mrs. C. L. Boston, wife of Dr. Boston, died aged 63. An editorial advised residents to stop laying the blame for kids smoking and dancing on the schools, start laying it on the parents and the homes. After all, said the editorial, children spend only one tenth of their time in the school, considering weekends, summer vacations, and so forth. A year, the editorial enlarged the subject, contains 9736 hours of time, only 900 hours of this amount under direction of the schools, so quit passing the buck.

Smoked hams were 15 cents a pound, sugar 49 cents for ten pounds.

20 Years Ago

Pilot wings for Lt. Herbert C. Culp and Lt. Evan J. Brace. A heavy storm flooded cellars, two inches of rain coming down in 24 hours accompanied by gale force winds.

Millard Stair, Lehman school custodian for twelve years, died suddenly.

Game Commission hoped for a bear kill of at least 600 in Pennsylvania. Only 149 were bagged in 1942 because of cold weather and early hibernation.

Sgt. Raymond R. Hozempa, Lehman, won the air medal for patrols over the Panama Canal.

First snowfall of the year. In the Outpost: M. W. O'Boyle, Santa Anita Field; Larry Isaacs, Fleet P.O.; Edward Shilanski, Fleet P.O.; Elias W. Miller, Atlantic Ocean; Roland Masters, Palm Beach; Bernard Novicki, Kings Point; Alan Kistler, Pacific; Elwood Ide, Cherry Point; Wilson Garinger, Fort Bragg;

Charles Kern, Georgia; Francis D. Polachek, California; Arden Steele, Florida; Frederick Hand, San Francisco; Fred Harris, Iran; Stewart Yorks, Maine; E. H. Evans, Bremerton Navy Yard; Glenn Kessler, Scott Field.

Died: Stella Metzger, 69, Vernon. Jasper Swingle, 84, Shavertown. Jennie Youngblood, Trucksville. Mrs. Elizabeth Cunningham, 53, Dallas. N. Whitney Howell, 86.

Married: Isabelle Veitch to Robert Loomis. Ann C. Hogden to Robert Pritchard. Hazel West to James Kistler. Viola Bertha Stoll to Nelson Wilson.

10 Years Ago

A permanent Highway Commission was formed to keep the Harveys Lake Highway a memorial to soldiers and sailors and airmen of the wars. John Blackman was named secretary. Representing Dallas Rotary was Sheldon Mosier; Kiwanis, Bill Wright; Woman's Club, Mary Weir; Lake Lions, James T. O'Connell; American Legion, Louis Reese.

Died: Robert Van Horn, prominent lawyer, aged 83. Walter W. Wright, of a heart attack.

Letter from William Amos, formerly of East Dallas, who was a resident of the Old Men's Home in Wilkes-Barre, a delightful elderly man of 90.

Mrs. Ina F. Lemmon Lies At Sunnyside

Ill for two weeks at Nesbitt Hospital, Mrs. Ina F. Lemmon, 75, Carverton Road, died Monday morning.

She was buried in Sunnyside morning, following services conducted by Rev. Grove Armstrong, pastor of Trucksville Free Methodist Church, in Dallas.

Born in Schultzville, daughter of the late Joseph H. and Phoebe Valentine Finch, she lived in Forty Fort for 24 years before moving to this area in 1943.

She belonged to Trucksville Free Methodist Church, where she was treasurer of the Missionary Society.

She is survived by her husband William Leroy; a son, Elbert L. Kingston, and a grandson, Frank.

Mrs. Ethel Schoonover Lies At Marsh Cemetery

Mrs. Ethel Schoonover Center Moreland, was buried Tuesday from the Center Moreland Methodist Church, Rev. William Watson officiating. Interment was in Marsh Cemetery.

Mrs. Schoonover, 56, died Saturday night at General Hospital, a few hours after admission.

A native of Berwick, the former Ethel Pearl Lamoreaux was the only daughter of the late Walter B. and Ella Lily German Lamoreaux.

Her husband James survives; also three children: Robert, at home, and Roland, with the US Army at Fort Benning; Mrs. Joyce Bellas and Mrs. Linda Dymond, Dallas RD; two brothers: Walter, Center Moreland, and Roland, Wilmington, Delaware.

Mrs. Jennie Steltz Buried Tuesday

Mrs. Jennie Steltz, 54, Pikes Creek, died Friday morning in the Carlisle Hospital where she had been admitted a month earlier for a series of tests. She suffered a severe stroke a week before her death, not regaining consciousness.

For the past few months, she had been living in Carlisle, where she was taken ill.

Born in Lehman, her parents were William and Myra Shaver Meeker. She was a member of Maple Grove Methodist Church and active in its W. S. C. S., also a member of the Sweet Valley D. of A.

She graduated from Lehman High School and Wilkes-Barre Business College.

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Finishes Payroll, Parts With Appendix

She is survived by her husband Burton, these children: Robert, Loy- alville; Mrs. Gloria Naugle and Burton, Pikes Creek; Mrs. Beverly Rebert, New Buffalo; eleven grandchildren; two sisters: Mrs. Ruth King, Dallas, and Mrs. Mildred Wright, Chase.

Native Of Stull Dies In Montrose, Aged 86

Charles Baker, 86, native of Stull, died Tuesday morning at the home of his son George in Montrose. He will be buried this afternoon at Kochee Cemetery, following services scheduled for 2 p. m. from the Nulton Funeral Home, Rev. Gail Wintermute officiating.

He was the son of the late Roy and Christine Shook Baker.

Surviving in addition to his son George in Montrose, is a grandson, George Gerdon, at home; and a sister, Mrs. Clara Anthony, Kingston.

Mrs. Beth Whitesell Dies In Florida

Mrs. Beth Whitesell, 61, former resident of Idetown and daughter of the man in whose memory the Idetown Firehouse was given to the community, died in Naples Hospital, Florida, last Wednesday.

She was buried at Oakdale on Monday, following committal services conducted by Rev. William Hughes.

Native of Kingston, daughter of the late Jonathan R. and Mollie Cogswell Davis, she was educated at Wilkes-Barre Day School and Wellesley College. For the past ten years she lived in Florida.

She leaves her husband Reed; four children: Mrs. Mary Buys and James G., both of Scotia, N. Y.; Mrs. Betty Billip, Wisconsin; Jonathan R., Vermont; two brothers: J. Allen Davis, Asbury Park; Albert Davis, Mountaineer, N. J.; a sister, Mrs. Helen D. Clark Sutton Cold Field, England.

Arrangements by Bronson.

Spanish-American War Veteran Dies

One of the last remaining veterans of the Spanish American War died last Saturday morning at Veterans Hospital after a long illness.

Thomas Morton Boettner, 86, Harvey's Lake, was buried at Chapel Lawn yesterday morning, following services conducted by Rev. John Prater from the Disque Funeral Home and from the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church.

The veteran State Police captain retired twenty-seven years ago after serving thirty-five years with the force. One of the first men to join the State Police when it was founded, Captain Boettner spent thirteen years of his tour of duty at Wyoming Barracks.

A native of Tamaqua, son of the late William and Christina Oberender Boettner, he lived for a time in Butler where he belonged to Butler Lodge 272, F. & A. M. Moving to Harvey's Lake he joined the Prince of Peace Episcopal Church.

Surviving are: his widow, the former Sarah Davies; three children: Mrs. Charles Littlefield, Pittsburgh; Thomas Sr., Slickery Rock; William Cleveland, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Louise Smith Haddon Heights N.J.; five grandchildren.

COMMUNITY SYMPATHIZES

Sympathy is extended to Wiley, Clyde and Margaret Veitch, Dallas, who lost their brother Walter Shiber Saturday night. Mr. Shiber, 77, North Haven, Conn., died after a long illness. He was a brother of the late Ray Shiber Dallas, Miss Veitch attended the funeral.

Honor Roll

cialek, Pauletto Mickup, Keturah Milbrodt, Teresa Mulligan, Leo Niedzwiecki, Marie O'Brien, Joseph Pall, Sherry Piper, Kathy Price, Alan Montross, Thomas Stager, Fred Valentine, Jeanne Wesoloski, Leota Yanek, Virginia Yoder.

Ninth grade: Joan Bennett, Lucille Bonning, Corrine Conklin, Sheldon Ehret, Joy Johnson, Edward Jones, David Klingerman, Linda Marchakitus.

Richard Mazonkey, Bonnie Patton, James Reese, Diane Rogers, Lillian Schlosser, Rosemary Seholka, Mary Sgarlat, Curtis Swanson, Carol Urbank, Irene Urlick.

Tenth grade: Patricia Bagdziminas, Linda Baker, Rita Bronson, Mildred Case, Terry Davenport, Donald Gregory, James Harris, Pamela Hoyt, Helen Ide.

Gail Kagan, Judy Kocher, Donna Parrish, Richard Pearson, Pamela Parsons, Lonnie Platt, Nancy Scouten, Michael Simon, Joseph Stager, Rita Zbick.

Eleventh grade: John Balavaze, Linda Calkins, Howard Ellsworth, Karen Gibson, Jackie Hoyt, Douglas Ide, Joyce Ide, Lynn Johnson, Gail Kelley, Carolyn Keris, Juliana Klumunes.

Susan Lamoreaux, David Lewis Mary Marchakitus, Edward Milne- vich, Leonard Morris, Marlene Pat- ton, Janice Pios, Bernadine Rusil-

Four hours after Mrs. Jack Jones made out the payroll at L. L. Richardson's, she was parting with an over-ripe appendix at Nesbitt Hospital. Staggering slightly ten days later, she voted for her favorite candidate for school director, and on Wednesday was back at her typewriter.

Mrs. Jones did make one concession to circumstances, however. Instead of working at the Shavertown pools as usual, she simply cast her ballot, and caught up on election results over the air-waves that evening.

Slipping, Jonesey?

Public Notice

DALLAS TOWNSHIP ROAD NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Supervisors of Dallas Township at their regular monthly meeting to be held at Dallas Township High School on Wednesday, December 4th, 1963, at 7:30 P.M. will consider enacting the following Ordinance:

DALLAS TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 1963-1

LAYING OUT AND OPENING A PORTION OF RIDGE STREET

SECTION 1. A portion of Ridge Street, beginning on the northerly side of Fern Street (said Fern Street having been laid out and opened as a public road on the 14th of September, 1939, in proceedings filed in the Court of Quarter Sessions of Luzerne County to Ne. 437 April Sessions 1939) at a point distant in a northeasterly direction from Terrace Street two hundred fifty (250) feet, and extending therefrom a distance of six hundred (600) feet, is hereby laid out and opened as a public road, a Petition of interested citizens for the laying out and opening of such road having been received. Such portion of Ridge Street is in the Township, as shown on the map recorded in Luzerne County Map Book 2 at page 332 and is shown in red on the sketch attached to this Ordinance.

Section 2. The Secretary is directed to file a copy of this Ordinance, together with the sketch in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of Luzerne County and to file another copy with the Pennsylvania Department of Highways.

The sketch to be attached to said Ordinance may be inspected at the home of the Secretary.

All parties interested may attend such meeting and be heard.

DALLAS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
Glenn Howell, Secretary
Frank Townend, Solicitor

ESTATE OF MARY SUTTON, late of Borough of Wyoming, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, who died May 24, 1963. Creditors make payments to JOHN W. McCORMICK, Esq., 818 Miners National Bank Building, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, Administrator, or his attorney, MERTON E. JONES, Esq., Hourigan, Kluger & Spohrer, 930 Miners National Bank Building, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

Leslie Warhola, Mgr.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Letters Testamentary in the Estate of THOMAS E. DAVIS (or Davies), late of the Township of Dallas, who died on the 28th day of February, 1963, have been granted by the Register of Wills of Luzerne County to THOMAS PRITCHARD, 25 E. Main Street, Plymouth, Pa. Creditors are notified to make known their claims and those indebted to the estate to make payment to said Executor or to his attorney.
B. B. LEWIS, Attorney
Dallas, Pa.

Letters Testamentary in the estate of Margaret S. Lee, late of Dallas, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, who died July 17, 1963, have been granted to John Roscoe Lee, 52 Terrace Drive, Dallas, Pennsylvania, as Executor. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims to present the same to John Roscoe Lee above named.
NEVILLE B. SHEA,
Attorney

oski, Linda Rusinos, Raymond Scott, Marguerite Shaver, Anna Mae Sites, Keith Swanson, Betty Lou Trotta, Lois Wolowich, Lois Williams.

Twelfth grade: Sandra Agnew, David Arendt, Barbara Engleman, Marguerite Feist, Susan Fielding, David Higgins, Ronald Hontz, Mary Ann Jeffery, Betsy John, Patricia Kanasky, Mary Ann Kuchemba, Alan Landis, Wilma Long.

Theodore Maciejczak, Irene Martin, Richard Maye, Katherine Mingus, Beverly Moyer, Joseph Paulet- ti, Larry Pederson, Carol Remy, Jon Rogers, Jay Ruckel, Leonard Ruotolo, Richard Sarmonis, Karl Squier, Sharon Strzelczyk, Barbara Wolowich, James Worth, Joseph Zbick.

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