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Pastor Lawry Loses Sister In Death

Funeral services for Rev. Russell Lawry's sister are scheduled for this morning at 11 from the Young Funeral Home in Chinchilla. Officiating will be Rev. J. Edwin Lintorn, former pastor of Center Moreland Methodist Church. Burial will be in Shady Lane Cemetery, Chinchilla.

Miss Ruth Lawry, 63, died Saturday morning at Mercy Hospital, Scranton, following a long illness. Born in Scranton, Miss Lawry spent most of her life in Chinchilla. She was employed by the Haddon Craftsmen, Scranton until retirement due to ill health five years

ago. She was a member of Chinchilla Methodist Church.
She leaves her brother, Rev. Russell Lawry, pastor of Dallas Methodist Church; her mother; Mrs. Elizabeth William Lawry, and a sister, Mrs. Betty Dunning, both of Chinchilla.

Christmas, Birthday Observed At Coopers

Chief and Mrs. Robert Cooper, Chase Road, observed two happy occasions on December 25.

The entire family was home for Christmas Dinner and one of their granddaughters, Candy Cooper, celebrated her first birthday.

In addition to the host and hostesses, enjoying the festivities were Mr.

Better Leighton Never

by Leighton Scott

SEEN AND HEARD

Jim Murray, freight agent at Dallas for the Valley Railroad, and recently displaced by the closing of the line, is now running the freight office in Wyoming. Only one agent on the line outranks him in seniority, and Jim is well known as a railroader in Noxen and Wilkes-Barre.

George Stolarick of Lehman says people are congratulating him on the birth of a child, which was born to the George Stolaricks of Fernbrook, his nephew and family. George says there are four people with his name.

Ray Titus, who will be patrolling New Year's Eve, says the police will not be enthusiastic about boisterous infractions of the law, due to recent developments on Main Street.

Here's one added to my famous sign collection over the holiday, just to show how serious the "big government" problem is becoming. In front of a nearly-complete building along Route 22, Allentown; "United States Postoffice and Lubrication."

Having an easier time getting up Huntsville Road hall after a good sloppy snowfall? If so, it's because the County Highway Department has a local man on the scene. In the middle of last week's blizzard, Francis Dunham was keeping the worst spots on the hill negotiable by use of cinder piles spotted along the road. Boy, is that a blessing.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hillyer are now editors of the N.E. Pa. Reg. S.C.C.A. newsletter, which keeps us up to date on local automobile doings. It is very neat and legible, whereas, before, with all respect to the hard-working editor, it read like Japanese camera instructions.

Lehman Chief of Police Joe Ide is still convalescing at home. Hope your Posts are helping while away some of the time, Joe.

The warm spell (if you can call it that) late last week may have retarded the freezing of Harveys Lake a little, but its just a short time till we'll see the surface dotted with ice-fishermen, those perennial crazy-men. By early January, the Ziminski brothers, Ernie Evans, and Bill Blazes should have their ice-runners (motorized sleds) limbered up, and the fun begins for another season.

Morton Connelly says, he who opens the door of his car for a lady friend has either a new lady friend or a new car.

Scenes our camera missed this week: The little boy in the barber chair at Jim's, sitting out a part of life which is classically one of the most dismal ordeals a little boy undergoes, when in walks—heard and all—Santa Claus. Just alighting from the fire engine, Dick Oliver had dropped in for a holiday whisiker-adjustment.

and Mrs. Grant Cooper, Grant Jr., and Beth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith and Tammy Jo, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cooper, Gary Jr., Carol and Candy, and Allan Cooper.

Rambling Around

By The Oldtimer — D. A. Waters

Tearing up the Bowmans Creek branch is only one small item in general changes on the railroads in the last fifty years. Many other sidings and branches, some entire railroads, have been torn up and scrapped. And on the remaining trackage, traffic movement is nothing like it was early in the century.

From the Lehigh Valley station in Wilkes-Barre, the Bowmans Creek local trains making all stops were matched by similar local passenger trains up the river to Sayre, and return. Main line trains operated from New York to Buffalo carrying mail, express, baggage cars, coaches, sleepers, diners, and club parlor, and observation cars. Through sleepers were operated from Philadelphia to Toronto and New York to Chicago, via connecting trains, and vice versa. Sleepers for New York and Philadelphia were put on at Wilkes-Barre. There were also some through coaches to and from other roads.

Three solid trains of special cars carried nothing but milk. Mail cars carried U. S. Railway mail clerks sorting mail for points hundreds of miles away. Locked pouches were thrown off, picked up, and interchanged between trains enroute without stopping. A government mail clerk supervised handling mail between trains. Baggage of passengers was only part of the load in the baggage cars. Salesmen moved large sample trunks, and traveling theatrical companies had plenty of scenery, sometimes whole carloads.

There were many special trains. Excursions were operated to Harveys Lake, New York, Niagara Falls and other points. Three or four, or more, trains were run every time Cornell University opened or closed, even for holidays. School teacher and student specials on the spring trips to Washington were annual affairs. Troop trains were numerous in wartime, and ran every once in a while in peacetime.

From the same station, the Delaware and Hudson ran trains every hour or so to Scranton and Carbondale, some through to Nineveh to connect for Albany and Binghamton. The Pennsylvania operated to Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, the latter train carrying through sleepers. Across the street the DL&W had fast, frequent, electric-powered trains to Pittston and Scranton, and nearby could be seen the overhead trestle of the Wilkes-Barre and Hazleton electric railroad to Hazleton. From Kingstown the DL&W operated between

Northumberland and Scranton, where connection was made with service similar to the Lehigh Valley. Across the tracks from the L.V., the Central Railroad of New Jersey had similar service, including a well known mail train, the Bing & Phila, from Scranton to Philadelphia via NYC-DLW-CNJ-Rdg.

From Public Square, electric trolley lines spread out all over Wyoming Valley and to outlying points, including Harveys Lake. Today there is not a single train or passenger railroad or trolley car, anywhere in Wyoming Valley. Stations have been sold or torn down, or converted to other uses, or are in process of undergoing such changes.

The freight business has also changed, but is still going. Anthracite coal, once the principal commodity moving locally, is now only a small item. Steam power got bigger and bigger up to the 1930's, since which time it has been gradually supplanted by oil diesels, usually run coupled with one engine crew running up to five of them, compared to separate crews on every engine in steam days. Many tracks have been removed, some main tracks. Today a train can be expected on any track, anytime, anywhere, in either direction. And trains are much longer than formerly.

The types of cars formerly used are still in use, but in all cases, bigger. And special cars have been developed for certain commodities. Tanks, formerly used mostly for petroleum products, now carry chemicals and gases. Covered hopper cars handle in bulk a lot of things formerly bagged or boxed, such as cement, feed, flour, fertilizer, lime, salt, and chemicals. New and larger flat cars now carry up to three decks of automobiles, and the new piggy-back cars carry two big highway trailers. Perishable commodities are now handled in mechanically operated refrigerator cars. Heavy machinery, etc., is moved on heavy duty equipment.

When the railroads handled the bulk of public commercial transportation, passenger and freight, such things as commercial air travel, long distance busses and freight trailers, and big diameter pipe lines were unknown, also the St. Lawrence Seaway and some other highly developed subsidized waterways. The great increase in privately owned automobiles operated over paved roads caused the fall off of passenger business.

The Bowmans Creek Branch between Luzerne and Noxen was officially abandoned as of 12:01 A.M., Dec. 22, 1963.

Footprints

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JANUARY 24, 1963

Sheldon Drake retires from Post Office after 33 years.

Noxen dog-poisoner gets five.

Burglars again at Caddie's and Orchard Farms.

Incarcerated squirrel causes black-out.

Lone highway bid may be good. Died: George Shupp, 63, Dallas. Chester Nesbitt, 46, Shavertown. Mrs. Clara Watkins, 55, Harveys Lake. Mrs. D. Eva Barnes, Elmcest. Mrs. Arlene Watson, Shrine Acres.

Married: Marie Annette Stolarick to Robert D. Senchak.

JANUARY 31, 1963

Emory Lozier home at Sgaralat Lake burned to ground.

Heat-wave, weather up to zero, fantastically low temperatures, 20 below, coldest winter in century.

Kunkle man, 76, freezes hands, feet, dies. Harry Miller was a recluse.

Danny Richards elected chief of Dallas Fire Company.

Lake-Lehman gym completed.

Died: Mrs. Edna M. Brown, 84, John Gaydos, 48, Carverton. Mrs. June E. King, 30, Shavertown. M/Sgt. John H. Brown, 39, Fort Bragg. Mrs. Laura Koehler, 77, Harveys Lake. George Steltz, Sr., 84, Loyallville.

Married: Sharon Kay Samuels to Thomas Bloomer. Marie Annette Stolarick, to Robert Daniel Senchak. Ruth Croman to Larry Piatt.

FEBRUARY 7, 1963

David Schooley reelected president of Library Association.

Dallas Woman's Club spearheads

proposal for Community Center.

Head-On collision, route 309, four taken to hospital, nobody died. Died: Clarence Woodruff, 76, formerly of Shavertown. Mrs. Emma Mancini, 85, Trucksville. Mrs. Jennie A. Hooper, 84, Shavertown. James Steinruck, 71, Hunlocks Creek. Mrs. Marion Scott Weidner, 63, Dallas. John Timko, Jr., 50, Carverton. Alvah B. Wilson, 86, Shavertown. Kenneth Cuddy, Noxen, 58.

Married: Janice M. Thompson to James Wertman. Doris Casterline, to Drew Fitch. Elizabeth Keefer to Bernard Corby.

FEBRUARY 14, 1963

Noxen dog-poisoner uses rump roast for bait. 17 dogs to date.

Sheldon Hoover a suicide.

Five Scouts become Eagles at Dallas Methodist.

Died: Harry M. Howell, 74, Lehman. Amy Warakowski, 2 days old, Dallas.

Married: Sandra K. Yeisley, to Richard K. Hall.

FEBRUARY 21, 1963

Rev. Francis A. Kane honored by Back Mountain Protective Association as Man of the Year.

Arch Austin, chairman of Golf at Irem.

Shel Cave honored by Idetown firemen.

Howard Whitesell on board of directors, Lumberman's Association.

Died: Edward Gilroy, 58, Shavertown. Mrs. W. A. Grant, 72, Trucksville. Louis B. Youngblood, 65, Trucksville. Mrs. Helen Moore, 57, Trucksville. Sharon K. Meade, 24, Dallas. John Ferguson, 86. Mrs. Freda Ehrpott, 66.

Married: Linda Conden, to Boyd Barber. Judith Ann Robinhold, to Wayne B. Brandt.

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Only Yesterday

Ten, Twenty and Thirty Years Ago In The Dallas Post

30 Years Ago

A springlike Christmas gave way to a sub-zero New Years.

One local man, John M. Baur of Laketon, was included on the list of liquor store dealers. He was assigned to Ashley. The Back Mountain had no liquor stores.

Employment was making a slow come-back, but a steady one, ever since June of 1933.

There were fourteen cases of scarlet fever at the lake.

Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Thomas were celebrating their Golden Wedding in Trucksville.

Butter was still two pounds for 41 cents, and chuck roast 10 cents a pound.

20 Years Ago

Roger Babson was predicting that Wendell Willkie would be the Republican candidate for president, but that FDR would win if the war continued. Midway in 1944 was the time set for collapse of Germany.

The front page was filled with obituaries.

Mrs. Bert Hill died on Christmas Day. William Weaver died at Idetown. A woman born in Lithuania, with three sons overseas in the service of this country, died. She was Mrs. Mary Belavage of Trucksville. "Grandma Williams, 93, died at Kitchen Creek.

Alan Kistler's letter from New Guinea was given a spot on the front page.

Alyce Jane Brace was married to Earl D. Brown.

Heard from in the Outpost were: Bob Hanson, from England; Ed Cundiff, Sampson APB; Joe Maculis, Italy; Lawrence K. Ide, Sardinia; Robert Misson, South Pacific; Thomas M. Beline, somewhere at sea; Charles Mitchell, Iron Mountain, California.

George Bulford headed Jackson Township School Board.

Married: Elda Dymond to Luther Hontz. Elizabeth Palace to Raymond Hozempa.

10 Years Ago

Stanley R. Henning, president of Dallas Borough-Kingston Township school board, suffered a fatal heart attack, but was able to pull his car off the road to safety before collapsing over the wheel.

Ross Township scheduled its dedication for January 2, Alfred Bronson officiating.

Mrs. William Lamb took a heavy fall when she stepped outside to look at the Christmas decorations at her home in West Dallas. X-Rays showed a broken hip.

Mothers were getting ready to march for Polio, Howard Risley lending his support to the annual drive for funds.

Died Mrs. Fay Watkins Osmun, East Center Street, heart attack. Mrs. Catherine Engelman, 44, Lake-Noxen teacher, after a painful illness. Robert B. Cralk, 87, Trucksville.

Gardner, Clifford Garris, Linda Gula, Andrea Haines, Phyllis Hanna, Sally Harter, Elaine Harter, Diane Hoover, Lois Hoyt, Nancy Hughes, Suzanne Jozwiak.

Charlotte Kaleta, Ann Lacy, Richard Letts, Nancy Lohmann, Nancy Love, Marjorie McCarthy, Robert Miller, Richard Morgan, Barbara Nauroth, Joan Nelson, David Newhart, Sarah Peters, Karan Potter, Linda Rattigan.

Priscilla Reese, Paula Richards, Edward Roman, Edward Rutkin, Tina Siglin, Susan Sipple, Sharon Smith, Howard Sprau, Nancy Steidinger, Catherine Swingle, John Szela.

Debra Tanner, Diane Thier, Danny Thomas, Gloria Thomas, Norma Thomas, Mary Townsend, David Traver, Shari Turner, Gail Williams, Judy Wilson, Thomas Wisniewski, Michele Wittek, Raymond Yagloski.

HAPPY LEAP-YEAR FROM DALLAS POST

This is Leap-Year coming up, with 366 days instead of the more usual 365. And that happy providence will place Christmas and New Years for 1964, safely within a weekend, when travel and family plans may more easily be carried out. They will both fall on Friday, and the staff of the Dallas Post can say goodbye to the current rigorous schedule.

If it's divisible by four, it's a Leap Year. Happy Leap-Year to everybody in the community, from everybody at the Dallas Post.

From— Pillar To Post...

By Hix

There was a sudden burst of song outside in the snow, and I scrambled around in my handbag to find the classic dollar-bill, though it did look as if the Seventh Day Adventists were crowding the mourners just a bit, catching me both at home and at the office; but it was all in a good cause. And then it turned out to be 'not the Seventh Day Adventists after all.

I opened the door, and there was Patty Davies and her children, with Stanley holding the youngest safely above the swirling snow, and the other children plunging about, knee-deep.

A small boy sang, Away in a Manger, and I could feel myself melting and coming unstuck. How was he to know that seventeen years ago this Christmas just before Barbara came home from the hospital with the newborn twins, a small boy had been taught that that same carol in order to surprise his mother, and that the surprise had exceeded all expectations.

And a little later, there was the same carol over the long distance phone, a direct pipeline to Massachusetts, where six children were lined up awaiting the signal, the next to the eldest just home from the hospital.

Many people have asked me why I didn't go away this Christmas. I wouldn't have missed Christmas here for the world, with the long-distance calls coming in from all over the map, the final one at a little past midnight, to announce safe arrival in Berea, Kentucky, of the Christmas Country Dance School enthusiasts who had been plugging steadily westward ever since early morning, changing shifts at the wheel of the Volkswagen bus with monotonous regularity.

There was a call from brothers and sister in Charleston, S. C., and there was one from Lake Packanack. And a call from Chicago made valiant efforts to get through, but was finally completely stymied by the Christmas rush.

There was the fun of buying a set of Christmas dishes for somebody whose dishes have a way of hitting the floor; and the fun of buying an un-Christmas present for a tall boy who could use a warmer jacket. Caddie had what it took.

And a few little unexpected odds and ends, such as a driveway shovelling job from a neighbor.

That plate of turkey from a friend was completely delicious. And the shower of Christmas cookies. (I had declined all invitations for Christmas dinner). And that jug of home-brew from Bill Moss.

Grandson Bill's little sun-motor is whizzing around on the sunny windowsill to beat the cars. He had heard me say that my old sun-motor had been knocked off the table and broken, so he financed another one in the hobby shop at the Dulles Airport.

Probably other airports and other hobby shops have sun-motors, but this one is special, just because it comes from the brand-new airport where all the notables from foreign lands arrived at the time of the Kennedy funeral.

There's no place quite like the Back Mountain to spend Christmas. This year we had a bonus of fresh-fallen snow, to make everything look spic and span, and produce those inky shadows under the trees after the snow stopped falling.

Sometimes there is a dismal rain at Christmas time, but you can always count on a cold snap at New Years.

Whatever the weather outside, there are the apple-logs for the fireplace, and there's something about a storm that makes the living room a cozy gathering place.

Nothing like a little contrast to point up the comforts at home.

Babson's

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American-South African Investment Co. Ltd. Readers should remember, however, that gold-mining stocks will go down as well as up, in accordance with many different conditions.

17. PROFITS. I forecast that corporate profits will continue to rise in 1964, though possibly at a somewhat slower pace than recently.

18. COPPER PRICES. Commodity prices are dependent on two factors: Demand and supply. Take copper: I believe demand will continue to increase during the electrical era we are now in. And, since my visit to Africa, I feel the supply of copper is almost unlimited. Hence I forecast little change

in price on balance in 1964.

19. OTHER BASIC RAW MATERIALS. With some few exceptions, the above applies generally to many of the basic raw materials, including iron and steel, and especially aluminum. The present firming in quotations will not carry much further and could be subject to setbacks later in the year.

20. SUGAR. Sugar prices, however, will hold in a generally high range all through 1964.

21. BUILDING — SUBURBIA. I forecast that new building will continue around present levels through 1964, with additional growth in "suburbia." This applies to single houses and to apartment houses, which could easily be overbuilt as the hotels and motels have been.

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Doing their good deed at Christmas time were these Girl Scouts of Harveys Lake, Troop 648, under direction of Mrs. Welford Scouton and Mrs. Richard Smith, leaders.

Troop members took cheer baskets made by Harveys Lake Women's Club to Carpenter Nursing Home,

distributing them to each patient and entertaining with Christmas carols.

The girls also made an attractive favor for each guest. Sharon Montross assisted with the music and Mrs. William Evans also assisted the girls.

Present on the goodwill call were Dianne Johns, June Bellas, Paula Smith, Yvonne Smith, Linda Evans, Linda Weaver, Clara Clark, Gail Space, Dorothy Luketic, Marie Blizard, Judy Lee and Millie Traver.

Honor Roll

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Botsford, Nancy Brown, Barbara Brown, Linda Carla, Marcia Checkon, Sharon Conden, Harry Cooper, Colleen Coneghan.

Elva Costello, Pamela Cully, Susan Davis, Janine Dierolf, Cheryl Dietz, Stanley Dorrance, Gail Dymond, Helen Edwards, Ida Gillespie, Robert Graham, David Green, Elaine Gullford, George Hackling.

Reba Heide, David Hess, Gail Hughes, Joyce Hughes, Lee Isaac, Eleanor Jones, Jerie Jordan, Janet Kelley, Lenore Kennedy, Cheryl Kester, Carol King, Cynthia Kon-savage, William Kyle.

Jane Layaou, Patricia Martin, Molly Ann Messersmith, Frederick Mintzer, Laura Napierkowski, Linda Sara Otto, Deborah, Penman, Antoinette Patchkis, Edmund Peters, Margaret Reese, Todd Richards, Betty Rome.

Margaret Road, Patti Sickler, Daniel Sinicropo, James Steinhauer, Marion Stredney, Linda Taylor, Jeffrey Townsend, Sharon Wagner, Dorothy Whalen, Howard Wiener,

James Williams, Linda Winnear, Richard Yanalunas, James Yarnal.

9TH GRADE: Donald Alexander, Janet Balshaw, Robert Bayer, Robert Blair, Richard Burkhardt, Debbie Carruthers, Janet Cleasby, Nancy Covert, Russell Eyet, Linda Farrar, Scott Fry, Lawrence Haycock, Ruth Higgins, Rosellen Klabo, James Knecht, Carol Kuchemba.

Catherine Martin, Margaret McHale, Candace Mohr, Carol Mohr, Jeffrey Morris, Beverly Peiroa, Dorothy Philo, Richard Reithoffer, Kimberly Roddy, Sharon Savage, Deborah Savicks, Debbie Slater, Donna Smith, Robert Stanton, Steve Townsend, William Wagner, Christine Zarychta.

8TH GRADE: John Anderson, Ruth Besecker, Scott Blase, Allan Brown, Debra Campbell, Nancy Crispell, Peggy Darrow, Ann Davies, Daniel Dorrance, Lucy Fleming, Charles Garris, Charlotte Gelb, Matthew Gillis.

Robert Huttman, Helene Kushinks, Barbara Kyle, Louis Mikalajick, Dennis Miller, Jane Mitchell,

Lunar Eclipse

Anybody see the lunar eclipse early this morning? It started at 4:45, ended at 7:30 when the moon vanished over the western horizon. Right after 4:45 is when the sleeping is best in these parts. An eclipse of the moon is heralded by more and larger trumpets when it is staged around nine o'clock at night.

Robert Nicol, Elizabeth Otto, Robert Parry, Daniel Reese, Katherine Reese, Cynthia Supulski.

7TH GRADE: Deborah Allen, Donald Anthony, Anna Maria Arcuri, Charles Baker, Vera Balshaw, Alicia Bauman, Timothy Ba