

Boro Council Gets Pile Of Bids, Defers Awards; No Cruiser Offer

Bids were received at Dallas Borough Council meeting Tuesday night on several items advertised, including a tractor-loader, truck, and paving materials, but no bid on police cruiser came through.

Decision on how to award contracts was postponed by Council president Harold Brobst until May 25, a special meeting with the Planning Commission, which will be closed to the public. Such a closed meeting is termed meeting as a "committee of the whole."

L. L. Richardson, local Dodge dealer, told Council he had a bid on the specifications for police cruiser, submitted from Detroit, but at the last minute he noticed the bid was based on a shorter wheelbase (two inches shy), and the home office could not get him another bid soon enough. His would have been the only bid submitted.

Council is re-advertising bids for the cruiser, to be opened at the June meeting. Dale Parry, Mathers Construction, American Asphalt, and Evans Asphalt all bid in part or whole on paving materials, and American Asphalt and Airport Sand and Gravel on stone and gravel; International Salt was lone bidder on salt; Mathers was lone bidder, \$17.50 an hour, on a paving machine, furnished and operated; bidders on the truck were Richardson and International Harvester.

In trade, the former at \$7200 for a four-wheel drive vehicle, the latter at \$7095 fwd and \$7059 twd; three bids were received on the loader, from Emmanuel, Highway Equipment and Supply, and Scranton Tractor and Supply, bids to be studied from standpoint of cost, type of machine, and whether new or second-hand.

In other business, discussion centered around health problems posed by drainage, septic tanks, and the creek, and miscellaneous administrative problems.

Lighting improvements to the tune of \$52 a month increase over present bill were considered for Memorial Highway, from one end of the borough to the other.

Councilman George Thomas said he had stopped at Kirby Health Center recently and asked whose responsibility the drainage problem caused by overflowing septic tanks is. He said the authorities there indicated that prosecution of drainage violators should emanate from the borough officials themselves, but there was no elaboration as to what laws would be effective. "Do we have a nuisance law?" Thomas asked.

He also drew attention to blasting operations on Sterling Avenue, and asked if there were a permit issued for this.

Council was divided as to whether drainage offenses were a state or municipal problem, and Thomas said the matter was not clarified much at the health center, but that he intended to pursue it until he found out. Brobst said the borough was in possession of a letter from the state saying the state would henceforth have jurisdiction over all health problems in this respect.

Back Mountain Area Ambulance Logbook

DALLAS COMMUNITY

Dallas Community ambulance took E. Kytile, Lincoln Street, to Nesbitt Hospital Sunday morning, Gil Morris, Robert Beseker, and Ed Roth attending.

LAKE TOWNSHIP

Lake ambulance took Peter Delaney, Alderson, to Nesbitt Hospital, Lee Zimmerman, John Stenger, and Jim McCaffrey attending, on Thursday, May 6.

Also on Thursday, Bruce Moss, west corner Lake, was taken to Mercy Hospital, Zimmerman, Stenger and McCaffrey as crew.

William Murphy, Park Street, was taken to Mercy on Sunday, Stenger and McCaffrey attending.

Yesterday, Peter Delaney was brought home from Nesbitt, Stenger and McCaffrey as crew.

FRANKLIN-NORTHMORELAND

Franklin-Northmoreland ambulance brought David Perry home from Nesbitt Hospital, Otto Harzendorf, Rev. William Watson, and Doris Bedford as crew.

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP

Kingston Township ambulance took Carl Schuler, Trucksville, to Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, Thursday, Harry Smith and Andy Roan attending.

Mrs. R. Rees, Orchard Street, Trucksville, was taken to Nesbitt Hospital on Thursday, Smith and P. Dailey attending.

On Sunday, Carl Altemus, R D 3 Wyoming, was taken from accident scene, top of Center Street, to Nesbitt Hospital, Walter Davis, Joe Youngblood, and Jack Lasher as crew.

NOXEN COMMUNITY

Noxen ambulance took Leroy Hess to General Hospital on Sunday, Earl Crispell and Bob Clark attending.

Edith Reese was brought from General to the home of Beatrice Dymond on Tuesday, Elvin Bean, Bill Crossman, and John MacMillan as crew.

A resident of Sterling Avenue inquired of Council what it intended to do about an inroad made in his lawn during road operations and drainage control, if anything. Was the borough going to fill with topsoil or should he do it himself? Council said he should do it himself.

Building permits in amount of \$58.82 were issued on \$50,536 worth of building in the borough, including several houses.

Fireworks At Dallas District Board Session

Andy Takes Bitter Exception To An April 13th Letter

Dallas School board meeting Tuesday evening was enlivened by a series of minor explosions, with one small rocket fired by a spectator.

Whether he did or did not want school play apparatus jettisoned because a child had scraped her knees on the school grounds at Trucksville, was not immediately apparent.

Racket made by school buses was deplored by another spectator, who stated that his sleep was disturbed at 9 a.m. The matter was referred to Andrew Kozemchak, chairman of the transportation committee.

The real smoke bomb was hurled when Mr. Kozemchak read a letter addressed to Mrs. Ann Vernon, in rebuttal of a letter read by her at the April board meeting.

Mr. Kozemchak took bitter exception to everything in Mrs. Vernon's letter, published almost in its entirety in the Dallas Post of April 15. He questioned an expenditure of \$176.04 incurred by the superintendent, travel to Atlantic City and Harrisburg authorized by the Board.

The Dallas Post advised Mr. Kozemchak three weeks ago that his letter, though an honest expression of opinion, was not in its present form acceptable for the columns of Safety-Valve, and advised deletion of two paragraphs. These were not deleted.

It also advised Mr. Kozemchak that issuing such a letter in Safety Valve would place him in an unfavorable light, could result in an action for slander, and urged him to reconsider. It offered to run the material as a paid political advertisement.

It further suggested that he reduce his letter to the prime essentials, send it to Mrs. Vernon in person, or through appropriate channels to the directorate.

Mr. Kozemchak stated that he represented a large majority of the voters, as evidenced by the plurality which elected him.

Quoting from his letter: "It is my duty, and a mandate from the people, to look after the expenditures of all tax moneys. Do not these people have the right of honest dissent?"

Jack Stanley, board president, and Dr. Robert Mellman, superintendent answered that all bills and vouchers could, as always, be examined by any member of the board.

Also, that they had listened to a great deal of dissent, as the coming Primaries soared to fever pitch, and feelings ran high.

Mr. Kozemchak distributed Xerox copies of his letter to members of the press, and the meeting resumed.

Educational TV was approved, at a cost of \$1 per pupil. The board saw the program as either a huge success or a complete flop.

Receipts from tax gatherers amounted to \$12,764.82.

George Michael Daru, Wilkes-Barre Township, was employed as a temporary professional employee, over-riding action taken at the April meeting which named him as a full-time substitute. He holds a B.S. from Mansfield with a major in chemistry and a minor in mathematics.

Two men of high calibre who have been attracted to Dallas Schools by its reputation for willingness to experiment, have been employed. Both are versed in modern mathematics. They are Edward S. Augustine, Naticoke, and Edward J. Hetzel, Kingston.

Miners National Bank was named depository; Joseph E. Slamon, accountant; Mr. W. B. Jeter, treasurer; Atty. Jonathan Valentine, solicitor; Mrs. Harriet Stahl, board secretary.

A list of 200 senior students submitted by W. F. Trimble, High School principal, was approved for graduation.

Permission was granted to Dr. Mellman and William A. Austin to attend the Annual Conference of School Administrators at Pennsylvania State University, July 11 to 15th.

Dr. Mellman will be chairman of two afternoon sessions.

Dallas Masons Burn Mortgage On Ninetieth Anniversary



Mortgage-burning ceremonies were conducted at George M. Dallas Lodge 531, F.&A.M., last week, with 165 members in attendance.

Fourteen past masters of the lodge were present at the event, held May 3.

The Masonic hall was built in

1924 at a cost of \$90,000. It was occupied on New Years Eve, with the membership totting furniture appurtenances up to the new address on Main Street from the old hall in the 100F building, which houses Kuehn's Drug Store.

At the meeting last week, the

membership also celebrated the ninetieth anniversary of the lodge being in Dallas.

Worshipful Master presently is Robert Stephenson. Thomas Robinson was Worshipful Master at the time of building. First person to receive his degree in

the new building was Melvin Morris.

Largest attendance at a meeting was in 1957, a visitation night, a total of 265. Ted Wilson was Worshipful Master.

In the above picture is the mem-

bership, witnessing the mortgage-burning, which is being carried out by (left to right): Floyd J. Thompson, past master of the year 1918, Ted Wilson, chairman of the ceremony, and W. B. Jeter, past master 1921.

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Children's Day At The Fine Arts Fiesta, Sunday, May 25



Shown with primitive art entries at Back Mountain Memorial Library are Mrs. J. B. Marshall, Mrs. Donn Innes, and Mrs. Richard Paterson.

Children's Day May 23 at Fine Arts Fiesta in the Public Square, Wilkes-Barre, will be observed with afternoon program starting at 1. ending with announcement of Children's Sidewalk Art Exhibit winners.

Entries from this area will be accepted at the Library. Eligible are children from 5 to 11 years old. One painting only per child, crayon, oil, pastels, water-colors. Elementary school teachers have specifications. Friday May 21, is the deadline for entry.

Children's Day is sponsored by the Junior League: Mrs. Innes, chairman, Mrs. Marshall her assistant and Mrs. Richard Paterson. Art Exhibit chairman.

A former resident of the area, Mrs. Harry Schooley, is General Program Chairman for the annual event, May 20 through May 24.

Mrs. Stefan Hellersperk is costume chairman, and announcer for the first day; Mrs. Robert Crayton has the rag-doll exhibit; Mrs. LeRoy Brown, rug-hooking; Miss Nancy Day, assistant program chairman; Marlon Frantz, West Side Flower Exhibit.

Children's Day will include a Punch and Judy Show by Alfred

Groh at 2 p.m.; a band concert by the prize-winning Lake-Lehman band, directed by John Miliauskas; at 2:30; a Sing-Along at 3; Children's fashions then and now, at 3:15; Polish dancing at 3:30; a Hootenanny at 4.

Trucksville's Little Cow Palace To House Teen-haven And Market

Trucksville's "Little Cow Palace", or the Mathers Building, as it is formally known, located across from the firehall on Carverton Road, adjacent to the highway, has finally found some likely tenants.

Pending ultimate transaction this Monday, the larger side of the building, measuring 40 x 70, will be the home of a new Economy Store supermarket, while the smaller side will be a teen-haven -- sort of a

combination soda fountain and recreation and meeting spot.

Lessees will be Harry Roat, Jr., Carverton Road, and Ralph Williams, Trucksville. Mr. Roat, associated with Roat Supply, Kingston, says that the deal is not complete, but should be in the near future, hopefully early this coming week.

The men hope to find managers for both enterprises, and will not actually run the market or teen-center themselves. For the latter, Mr. Roat told the Dallas Post, they would like to find a manager with recreation or guidance experience, if possible.

Building has been vacant since last fall when it was finished. It is owned by F. Gordon Mathers, Knob Hill, Trucksville, who scoured a number of possibilities for tenants, among them several well-known local food store companies.

The last grocery store in Trucksville was Gavy's Market, which was displaced in spring of 1964, after construction plans for the new highway were altered. Trucksville corners, effectively the village to passers-by on the highway, were virtually be-soft of identification when the work took its toll, including the Gavy-pharmacy-post-office building. Now with a new firehall and municipal building, as well as the "Little Cow Palace", Trucksville has been rebuilt from the ground up.

Lint-fire Checked

Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company, Dallas, responded to a call at the Hodden apartment house, Split Rail Lane, on Friday, after a woman complained of smoke billowing from the cellar into her apartment. No fire was found, but some lint in a clothes dryer was suspected.

L-Jax Chorus

Lehman-Jackson Elementary Chorus will present its annual spring program Friday night, in the gymnasium, under direction of Jean Greskiewicz, starting at 8.

Heard in the "Songfest of Melody and Rhythm" will be 100 fifth and sixth grade students. Offerings will include patriotic songs, spirituals, folk songs, classical numbers, and songs from Mary Poppins.

Library Auction Gets Off To Running Start At Kick-Off Dinner



Here they come, bearing down upon the smorgasbord from the right and from the left, at the Annual Library Kick-Off Dinner Wednesday night at the Country Club. Diners may look for themselves with a magnifying glass.

Chairmen of committee announced by Merrill Faegenburg, Auction chairman, will be printed in next week's Dallas Post.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reese, Mr. and Mrs. George Payne, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bachman, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Whitebread, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Moyer, Mrs. Ben H. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Harter, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde A.

Faatz, Francis J. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Sallada, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Birch.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Nauroth, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burns, Mr. and Mrs. Vince Roman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Corbett, Mr. and Mrs. E. Thompson, Mrs. W. F. Newberry, Mrs. Mary Chladek, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Scott, Mrs. Arthur Newman, Laura Miller, Mrs. J. B. Schooley, David N. Schooley.

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Laux, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Ornan Lamb, Frank Slaff, Fred Eck, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hazeltine, Henry Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Du-rrelle T. Scott, Mrs. Thomas Hefferman, Catherine West.

Dr. and Mrs. Les Jordan, Arch Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Howell, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Davern, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Donald D. Smith, Mrs. Elwood Swingle, Mr. and Mrs. John La-Berge, Harry Lefko, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Huston, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ackerson, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maturi, Mrs. Joseph Morton, Mrs. John W. Baur.

Rev. Francis A. Kane, Mrs. Richard M. Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Demmy, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Faegenburg, Mr. and Mrs. William Wright, Mr. and Mrs. George McGardner, Rev. and Mrs. John Prater, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Maslow, Mr. and Mrs. John Bourke, Mrs. A.

T. Galbraith, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Maslow, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huttman, Mr. and Mrs. James Dick, Mr. and Mrs. James Houlette, Mr. and Mrs. L. Rubino, Mr. and Mrs. J. Clinton Rupert Schork, William Kearney, Mrs. Hanford Eckman, Mr. and Mrs. Archer Mohr, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Titman, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. West, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Frantz, Mr. and Mrs. John Konsavage, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gay, Mrs. Stanley H. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thomas.

Robert Dolbear, Thomas Kriedler, George H. Thomas, J. Bowden Northrup, William J. Umphred, Ray Parsons, Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks.

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