

## Trailer Home Lost In Blaze

### Mrs. Lutes Son Burned Critically On Sunday

An aged Pikes Creek mother and her son lost their home early Sunday morning when fire believed to have originated in the refrigerator reduced their new trailer to rubble. Seriously burned in the blaze which occurred across from the Maple Grove Methodist Church was Burton Steltz, 60, who was awakened at 8:15 a.m. by the crackling of flames. As he opened his bedroom door in the rear of the mobile home he was met by a raging inferno, which by that time had burned through the kitchen and bathroom and entered the hallway near his room.

He attempted to reach the rear exit but was driven back by the intense heat, smoke and fire. Clad only in his underwear, Steltz fought his way to the other door, inhaling smoke and suffering severe burns to face, head, shoulders and arms in a desperate effort to reach the outside.

Witnesses said he fell out of the trailer and he was rushed to General Hospital by his children. At first it was thought he would lose his sight but physicians now believe this will be saved. Present danger stems from smoke inhalation and searing by the flames with factors guarding against the onset of pneumonia.

His mother, Mrs. Daisy Lutes, 82, was not home at the time of the catastrophe but was visiting with her sister, Mrs. Louise Foss, Sweet Valley.

Mrs. Lutes stated she has lost all their belongings and the residence was not covered by insurance. At present she is staying with her sister, Mrs. Harold Kocher in Dallas.

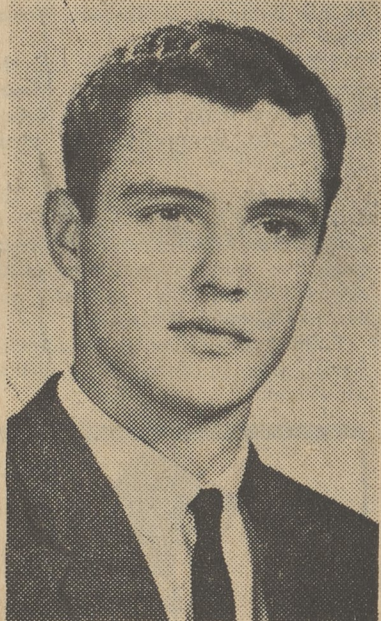
Mr. Steltz is the only child of Mrs. Lutes and the two had lived together.

Following the blaze which was answered by Sweet Valley Fire Company, who were unable to save the structure, the refrigerator was found to be completely turned over, leading to the supposition that a blast might have occurred. Neighbors reported hearing an explosion.

### DAY OF ATONEMENT, HOLIEST IN YEAR, FRIDAY AT SUNDOWN

Day of Atonement, most solemn of the High Holy Days in the Hebrew calendar, begins at sundown tomorrow with the intoning of the Kol Nidre. Yom Kippur, a day of fasting and prayer, is the day of soul searching and repentance for those of the Jewish faith all over the world.

## Rotary Sends Two To New Zealand



MARSHALL D. RUMBAUGH

Two Dallas young men are serving as Rotary Exchange Students in New Zealand. Arriving at their destination on Friday were Marshall D. Rumbaugh, son of Dr. and Mrs. Marshall U. Rumbaugh, Demunds Road, and John Gager, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Gager, Elmcrest Drive.

Both were chosen by Dallas Rotary Club to represent this district abroad. Rumbaugh and Gager are graduates of Wyoming Seminary and both received Eagle Scout Awards. Marshall was president of his graduating class and John was treasurer.

They left Kennedy Airport September 7, changed to Air New Zealand at Los Angeles and flew to Auckland, New Zealand, via Hawaii, their only stopover. Crossing the international dateline, they arrived in the land down under two days later although the flight took only 26 hours.

Rumbaugh is settled in Central New Zealand at Taupo, where he is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. Righton, parents of four sons. Due to bad weather he was forced to cover the last 50 miles to Taupo by taxi.

Gager is living with Dr. and Mrs.

## Trailer Home Disintegrates In A Matter Of Minutes With One Seriously Burned



This is all that remains of the large new trailer home occupied by Mrs. Daisy Lutes and her son, Burton Steltz, at Pikes Creek after fire of undetermined origin completely razed the mobile home early Sunday morning.

Note the windows blown out and the two doors, rear of which Mr. Steltz was unable to reach and had

to go through intense flames to escape from the dwelling. Fire began in the kitchen and spread rapidly. It is believed to have been smoldering for some time. Mrs. Lutes was not at home at the time of the catastrophe.

photo by James Kozemchak Jr.

## Dallas Rotary Fall Fair Bows Off-Stage Until Fall Of 1967



The small children and the harvest pumpkins are the essence of any Fall Fair.

It clouded over for awhile, but the Rotary Fall Fair had continued good weather for its Saturday and Sunday productions, a bit chilly Saturday, but moderating on Sunday.

Crowds were tremendous, the parking lot teeming with cars. Whether it was another horse show, an art show, or a hobby show was anybody's guess.

The exhibits were interesting, the student art work unusual, the display of arts and crafts beautiful. Results of competition were covered exhaustively in town papers on Monday.

Rosellen Klaboe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Klaboe, and a senior at Dallas High School, was crowned queen by Peggy Reese, last year's Rotary Fall Fair queen, also of Dallas. Dawn Covert and Karen Covert, Lake-Lehman High School, and Beverly Peirce, Dallas, were named princesses.

The baby parade which was the first feature of the fair showed small infants, large infants, and walking infants. One who came too late to enter but had her chance in the ring, was mounted on a hobby horse and attired in western garb. And very cute, too.

How that play-pen ever remained in place on its float was a mystery to spectators.

Best decorated carriage award went to Lynn Newberry, Humlock Creek; best float, Sharon and Karen Cook, Dallas RD 2; most comical, Walter and Patty Bronson, Dallas; fanciest, Johanne Paul and Albert Switzer, Dallas RD 1.

There were the usual horse-show features, barrel cutting, equitation, working hunter, pony hunter, clover leaf, break-and-out,

and Ted Newcomb in attendance waiting at Shavertown.

As the Oneys reached Hall's Drug Store a son was born to Mrs. Oney. Dr. Bucan was summoned and aided in the delivery.

The new mother and her infant son were then taken to General Hospital, in the ambulance, where they are reported doing fine.

## Undergoes Surgery

Mrs. Ziba Smith Sr., Jackson Township, is a patient at Hahnemann Hospital, where she submitted to major surgery on Monday. Reports are that recovery will be slow, but complete. Her address is room 1012, Hahnemann Hospital, N. Broad Street, Philadelphia.

## It Pays To Advertise

One of our advertisers, specializing in floor refinishing, had to cancel his ad for a few weeks to catch up on his backlog of work. Tough on the Dallas Post, but fine for the floor-sander. He's in again. Read the classifieds if you need your floor refinishing with up-to-date equipment.

## Number Changes In Phone Book

Delivery of the new Commonwealth Telephone Directory will start shortly.

All numbers in the Dallas exchange beginning with 674-3 will be discontinued. There are many number changes in the Sweet Valley exchange. Customers are asked to continue using the old directory until Thursday, September 29, 1966, which is the effective date for the above mentioned changes.

After September 29, the old directory should be destroyed.

Announcement was made by District Manager R. E. Koeb.

## Dallas Motorcade To Lehman Game

Charles Siegel, chairman, announces that the Dallas Booster Club Motorcade will leave the senior high school at 12:30 Saturday in a convoy across Route 309 onto Center Hill Road, progress down Church Street to Dallas Corners, then proceed out 415 to 118 from Lehman Center to the high school and Lehman football field.

Each driver is to be responsible for his own decorations.

The committee hopes for a motorcade of 100 cars to help bolster the spirit of the Dallas team.

## Family Bus Jaunt From Trucksville To Arizona

The George Mortimers are planning a jaunt from their home on Holly Street, Trucksville, to Phoenix, Arizona, using a converted school bus as a camper, and a station wagon as convoy. They estimate the trip as five or six days.

There are five children, from ten on down. Mrs. Mortimer feels no anxiety about the older ones switching schools or making new friends.

The bus has been equipped with bunks, cooking equipment, a portable refrigerator, and other necessities.

Until the family finds a suitable home in Phoenix, the camper will station itself in a trailer park, to allow plenty of time for thorough evaluation of school districts and housing.

## Back Mountain Area Ambulance Logbook

Kingston Township  
September 16: Mrs. Claudine Oney and son to General Hospital. Andrew Roan, Carl Miers, Ted Newcomb as crew.

September 17: Craig Williams and David Jones, accident, to Nesbitt Hospital. M. Yeust, Arnold Yeust and John Lasher.

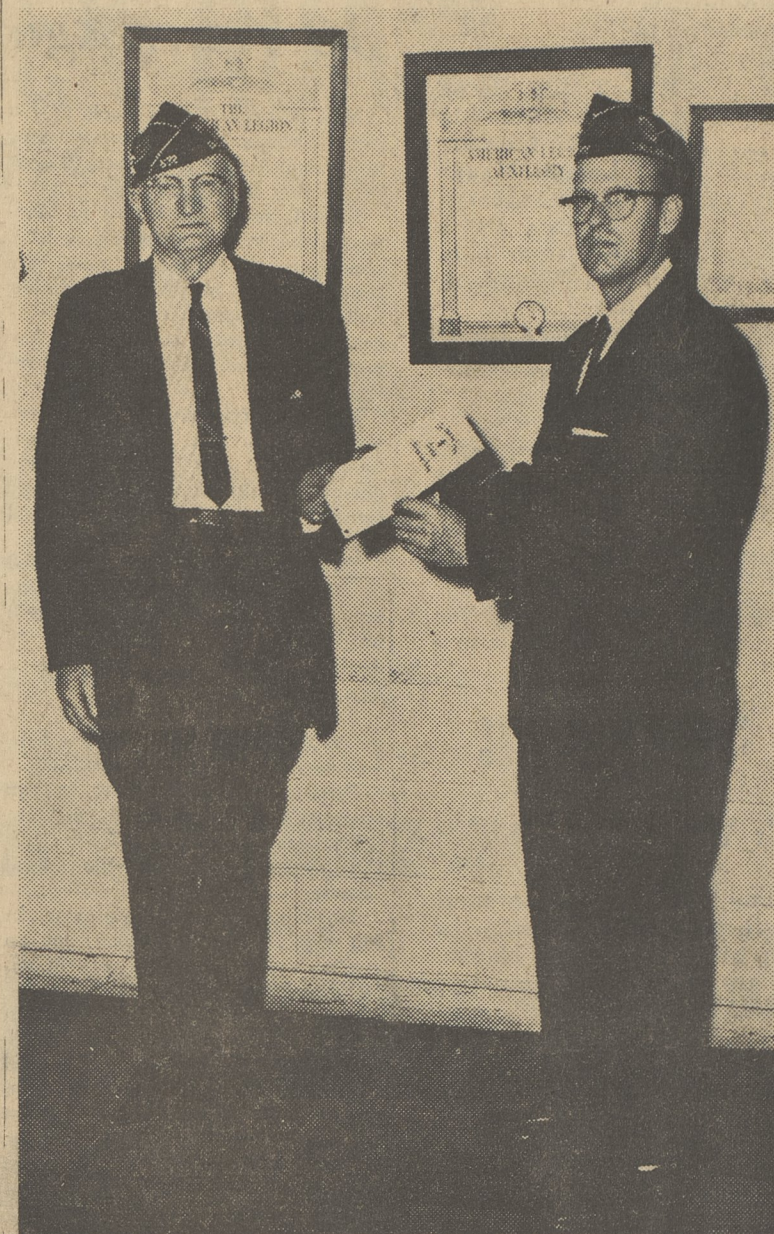
September 18: Called to Merrell home on Doran Drive. Walter Davis, William Kreischer, Harry Smith.

September 19: Arline Bessmer, Huntsville Road, to Nesbitt and home. Robert Shoemaker, Robert Bullock and Tom Evans.

September 21: Mrs. Mary McNeilis, Orchard Street, to General Hospital. Miers, H. Smith and L. Dymond, Jr.

Lake Township  
September 16: Edgar Hoover, Rt. 29, Harveys Lake, to Nesbitt Hospital. John Stenger and Fred Javer.

## American Legion Makes Award



Paul Shaver, founder and former Commander of the Daddow-Isaacs American Legion Post 672, receives the annual "Man of the Year" award at the hands of Commander Curtis F. Bynon. Related story on this page.

## Red Fox Is Shot Sunday In Trucksville Yard

Assistant Chief James Sisco, Kingston Township, was called to 96 Carverton Road, Trucksville, Sunday, with the complainant reporting that a fox was tearing up the swimming pool.

Sisco responded and upon reaching the yard had the red fox spring at him, whereupon he shot it.

Bill Robbins, custodian at the township building, claims it was his pet fox, which had escaped from its cage on Friday.

The police officer said it may not have been Robbins animal and he had not been notified of a red fox being missing.

## Fire At Restaurant

Dallas Fire Company answered a call Wednesday morning about 10:30 at Suburban Restaurant, Dallas, when a short circuit in the wiring on the roof began to smolder.

This is the third call sent out to the fire company in the past year and a half to extinguish a fire on the roof of the building.

Services for a year, and in Vietnam since June.

Before joining, he had worked at his parents' shoe stores, with the Acme, and had studied at Wilkes College.

He took his basic training at Fort Knox.

## Soldier Of The Month



JONATHAN GINOCCHETTI

Jonathan Ginocchetti, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ginocchetti, owners of Fairview Shoe Stores in Dallas and Mountaintop, has been named Soldier of the Month at his station in Vietnam.

This is the third time he has been accorded this honor, twice in the United States, the third time in Vietnam, where he serves with the Supply Division of the Quartermaster Corps.

He has been with the armed

## Freak Wind Splits Huge Double Oak Tree, Damages Roof



—photo by Kozemchak

A freak wind raged through Dallas last Thursday at 2 p.m., splitting a double oak tree in two near the base, and depositing one-half on the roof of the John Layaou home at 119 Lehman Avenue.

The half that is still standing will be removed on Saturday by G & G Tree Surgeons, who worked Thursday night from dusk until 11

p.m. to lift the heavy oak from the roof without creating further havoc.

The chimney needs repair, also the TV antenna. Hayden Richards, a near neighbor, remarked that considering the weight of the tree, the house could have easily been crushed, if it had not been for the still-standing portion that took off

the pressure, and the small branches that cushioned the blow.

This is the second roofing job for the Layaou home in the past few years. A hail storm with jagged pellets the size of golf balls mandated an entire new roof about five years ago. Layaous were able to get the same roofer, John Dana from Carverton.

## American Legion Taps Shaver For Man Of The Year

### Honor Long Overdue For Founder Of Post And Past Commander

Man of the Year status was long overdue for the founder and third Commander of the Daddow Isaacs Post, American Legion.

Paul Shaver is the American Legion in Dallas. Commanders come and commanders go, but Paul goes on forever, marshalling the Memorial Day Parade, arranging for the children's Christmas party, standing as a symbol of the organization in Dallas.

Residents who have received the honor include Howard Risley, late editor of the Dallas Post, and Miss Miriam Lathrop, first librarian of Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Last year, Rev. Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Heaven, was the recipient.

Decision was unanimous to confer the honor on Paul Shaver Saturday night at the American Legion Home. Commander Curtis Bynon officiated.

Paul had not even expected to be present, as he had put in a hard day. A phone call saying that he and his wife ought to come up, that there was something he could help with, hoisted him out of his easy chair and his slippers to attend the meeting.

He had suggested a number of other people whom he considered worthy of the honor, and they had been taken under consideration.

It came as a complete surprise to him when his name was called. Mr. Shaver, away back in 1935, when Charles Cook of the State Police was commissioner of the 12th District, started discussion with him one Sunday afternoon. There were a number of veterans of the First World War in the area, who could form a nucleus for an American Legion Post.

World War II was not even on the drawing board.

Informal discussion led to a meeting of service men in the old Borough building on Mill Street, with a consequent organization of American Legion Post 672.

The post of Commander was offered to Mr. Shaver. With characteristic modesty, he refused it, and Arthur Brown became the first Commander.

Paul accepted the post as Commander in 1938.

He says, in retrospect, "All the Commanders were a fine lot, cooperation was 100%."

Paul has seen the Legion Post through its infancy, through the years of World War II, through the fire which destroyed the building on Huntsville Road, through the decision to build a new home on property owned by the Legion on the Harveys Lake Highway, through all its growing pains.

He has seen grizzled comrades from the days of the first World War pass on, and young men, now middle-aged, from the Second World War fill their vacant places.

He has seen veterans from Korea joining the Legion, and striplings from the armed action all over the world today knocking at the door.

But anybody who thinks that Paul Shaver is an oldster, should look again.

That veteran of World War I, who served his country in France in 1918, may not be quite so nimble in mounting a ladder in the pursuit of his business as an electrician, but he gets there all the same.

Who was it who went up the flagpole to affix the gilded ball to the top when the American Legion put up a flag for Mike Langel?

Who looks down from the top of a tall ladder while adjusting lights for the Library Auction?

Paul was born here in Dallas on Main Street, son of Emory and Emma Shaver.

Educated in the Borough Schools, he enlisted when the call came, and served in the St. Lazaire sector.

Returning, he entered employment with the Delaware and Hudson, working with high voltage wires from Wilkes-Barre to Carbondale in the days when the railway was considering turning to electricity for its power.

Later, he was employed in Cleveland.

In 1920, he set up his own electrical service, in which he was joined eventually by his son Paul Jr.

His first love remains the American Legion.

Without the tall, spare figure marshalling the Memorial Day parade, Dallas would lose one of its best advertisements.

Paul Shaver is an institution.

## New Fire Call Number

Shavertown Fire Company and Kingston Township Ambulance may be reached by calling a new number, 675-1242, effective September 29th.