

Back Mountain Boys in Service in Vietnam

- Mitchell R. Allen
- Thomas G. Appel
- Daniel B. Avery
- Sterling A. Barnes
- Larry G. Belles
- William Biggs
- Charles W. Chappell
- *Richard Michael Cummings
- Ernest Davis
- Russell E. Denmon
- David A. Dersheimer
- Thomas Detsick
- Wm. H. Dierolf, Jr.
- Anthony Digiosa
- Carl Edwards
- John J. Ferry
- Charles L. Finn
- Jonathan Ginocchetti
- John Horniak
- William Jones
- Albert Kern
- James D. Kytte
- Larry Lettie
- Robert Martin
- Bernard Mazer
- Ralph McCormack
- Paul Meeker
- Robert Misson
- Leo Mohen
- David Nevel
- Jon Newberry
- Kenneth F. Novis
- Wm. L. Oncay
- Arthur Owen
- Arthur W. Parks
- Albert Phillips
- Robert Price
- Tom Purvis
- Keith Reeves
- Lawrence L. Richards
- John Rogers
- Edward Schrama
- Francis Sebolka
- James Shields
- Kenneth Spencer
- Calvin Tinsley
- Robert Traver
- John B. VanHorn
- Gerald Wagner
- Ralph K. Wall
- George W. Wesley
- Donald Williams
- LeRoy Williams
- William B. Williams
- Larry Wolfe
- Arnold D. Wright

Back Mountain Area Ambulance Logbook

- Dallas Community
- July 12 — Mrs. M. J. Sedler, Sedler Lane, Dallas R. D., to Nesbitt Hospital. Wayne Harvey, Ed Roth and Wesley Cave, Jr.
 - July 14 — Palmer Updyke, R.D. 1, Dallas, to Nesbitt Hospital. Bob Carter and W. Cave, Jr.
 - July 15 — Mrs. Frances Cave, Dallas, from Geri Kay Nursing Home to Maple Hill Convalescent Home. Robert Besecker and W. Cave, Jr.
 - July 15 — Bernard Dalmus, to Nesbitt Hospital. R. Besecker, William Wright, Gil Morris.
 - July 16 — Mr. Cook Bodle Road, Wyoming, R. D. 3, to General Hospital. R. Besecker, Jim Davies, W. Cave, Jr.
 - July 16 — Sister Hope, College Misericordia, to Mercy Hospital. Besecker, Davies and Cave.
 - July 17 — Mrs. Anker, Highland Drive to Carpenter Convalescent Home. Dick Disque, III, R. Cartier.
 - July 17 — Mr. Werchok, Main Street, to Nesbitt Hospital. Harry Wesley, Wayne Harvey.
 - July 18 — James Brongo, Hickory Street, to Jefferson Hospital. David Casey, R. Disque, Jr., Judy Woolbert, R.N.
- Lehman
- July 14 — Mrs. Knight from Maple Hill Convalescent Home to Nesbitt for x-rays and return. Lanceford Sutton, Leonard Derby.
 - July 18 — Mrs. Martin Stook, from Sunset accident to Nesbitt Hospital. Lee Wentzel, Leonard Derby.
- Harveys Lake
- July 12 — Arley Harron to General Hospital. John Stenger and Jim Caffrey.
 - July 14 — Frederick Travis, Brooklyn; Pine Grove to Nesbitt Hospital. Stenger and McCaffrey.
- Kingston Township
- July 18 — Francis Marine, Carverton Road, accident, to Nesbitt Hospital. Andrew Roan, Marvin Yeust.
 - July 18 — Kimberly Stroud, Warminister, to Nesbitt. Ted Newcomb, Marvin Yeust.

AUCTION WINNER IN VIETNAM WAR

AMAZED AT LUCK
The winner of the Library Auction's 1967 Chevrolet Nova this year, a member of the U.S. Navy serving in Vietnam waters, has written a reply to his mother's wire informing him of his good fortune.

Richard Williams, 46 Main Street, Dallas, son of Mrs. Frances Williams, could scarcely believe the news. He writes: Dear Mom,

I just couldn't believe it. This is something which always happens to someone else. I couldn't realize it was true until I woke up from watch. Everyone aboard is excited about it too, and making all kinds of offers.

After careful consideration since I have no use for the car while in the Navy and since it would depreciate in value before I could use it, I have decided to take the \$2,000 offered and put it in the bank where it will collect interest. Then when I get out of service I can buy another car.

If you could use it I would be happy for you to do so. Thank everyone at the Auction. Tell them I still can't get over being a winner. I couldn't send you a wire since we are too close to Vietnam shores.

Love,
Richard

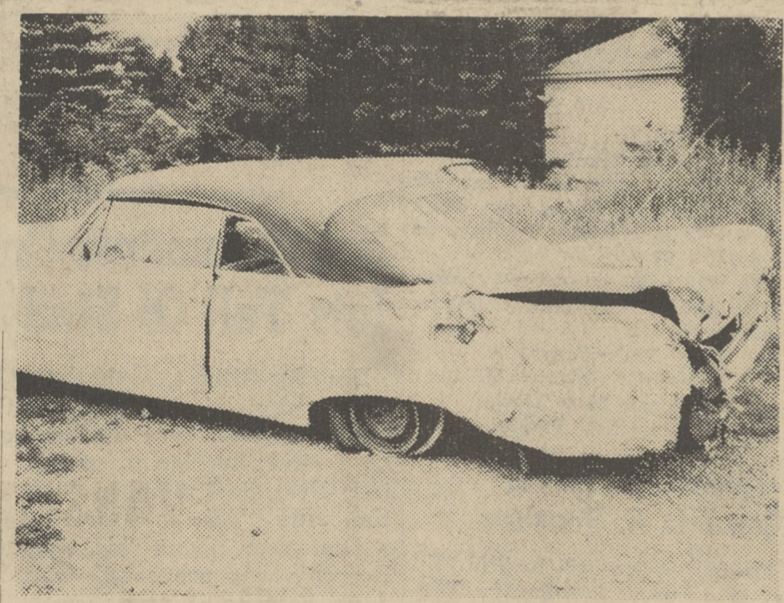
Chase Youngster Is Burned By Tar

Craig Yanchik, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Yanchik, Chase Manor, received painful burns of the right hand and arm and both knees on Friday when he tripped and fell into hot tar being spread on a road in Chase Manor.

Mrs. Henry Yankowski and Mrs. William Teske, neighbors of the Yanchiks came to his rescue and removed the substance from his body with gasoline before his mother came on the scene.

Taken home the burns were wrapped with ice bags and Craig

Wild Spin Injures Driver Early Sunday Morning



Larry Wesley, 24, Sweet-Valley, suffered head injuries early Sunday morning when his car went out of control across from the Dress Factory, skidded 200 feet to strike a telephone pole.

The 1964 Chevrolet Convertible skidded another 340 feet down the

Sunday Night Fire Demolishes Shavertown Garage



Fire flames leaping into the sky and visible in many sectors of the Back Mountain resulted in the complete destruction of this two car garage in the rear of 103 Perrin Avenue, Shavertown, and owned by Mrs. Frances Balas, on Sunday evening.

The alarm was sounded at 10:15 p.m., after Ernest Culp, watching television with his mother, noticed a glare and smelled smoke. He had returned home at 10:05 and said there was no sign of a fire at that time. Ernest resides with his mother, Mrs. Mildred Culp, in the second floor apartment of the Balas home.

Mrs. Balas had left her residence at 3 p.m., to visit her daughter in Fort Worth and her sister who

sides on the third floor of the home followed in her car at 3:30 p.m. Three automobiles, two complete among them, were usually parked in the large garage but the Triumph owned by Richard Balas was in the garage for repairs.

Firemen from Shavertown arrived on the scene first and in a matter of several minutes had hosed out the flames. Dallas and Truckville Fire Companies also answered a call for help placed by Mrs. William Frederick but were not needed. Trucksville stood by, however, to pump extra water into Shavertown's lines.

With the building completely destroyed and fearful of a collapsing structure, Shavertown firemen pulled down the smoldering debris. They tapped the fire out at 11:30 p.m.

Mrs. Balas lost in addition to the garage a power lawn mower, lawn furniture, table, hand mower and a number of other articles placed in the rafters.

For a time an adjoining two story garage owned by Jimmie Reese was threatened and a large pine tree was also burned about its trunk, but firemen saved the other building.

Chief Arnold Yeust was in charge. An investigation is being held with the possibility of arson not excluded. A number of homes are in the immediate area.

photo by Kozemchak

Closing Of Linear Plant Casts Additional Hardships On Help

The announcement on Friday that Linear, Incorporated in Fernbrook had been foreclosed upon by Commercial Credit Corporation cast a pall of despair among the workers already called back following a eight and a half month strike or lockout.

The action taken places 350 employees cut of a job including office personnel, union representatives and company workers.

Linear, Inc., which is a subsidiary of Greater American Industries purchased the business in 1957. The original Linear Company came here from Philadelphia.

Eighty workers just recently called back were given 48 hours notice. A number of other employees were awaiting recall.

A half million dollars in vacation,

sub payments, pension and severance pays is forthcoming to employees.

The Federal Government is expected to step into the picture and court action will probably be filed by the Rubber Cork, Plastic and Linoleum Workers Union Local 204, headed by George Marsden, president.

Many of those employed formerly at Linear have come to prefer the Back Mountain as their home and would be loathe to leave the region. The large plant may go to another buyer as industry continues to come into the valley.

The office at Linear was contacted yesterday but no answers or announcements were forthcoming from the management.

50 Mile Speed Limit On 309

**Drain Causing Sewage
Problem At Corner**

Edward Hall chairman of Kingston Township Board of Supervisors, again urged motorists to leave home five or ten minutes earlier in the mornings to avoid congestion on the Luzerne-Dallas Highway which has been the scene of many accidents in recent months, particularly in the Birch Grove sector.

He also reported on a meeting with State Highway staff and said the speed limit for cars will be lowered to 50 miles per hour and truck limit raised from 45 to 50 miles per hour. This was the best the Highway Department would offer although a skid resistor test is promised shortly in the region near Harter's Dairy. Since the highway is state owned and maintained, Mr. Hall told his audience at the board meeting Wednesday evening that the township has no control over it.

Another problem discussed was the sewage overflow at the corner of Spring and Brook Streets. Chief Herbert Updyke reported that Dale Williams, Sanitary Engineer for the Pennsylvania Department of Health had inspected the site, that dye tests had been done and that Williams said the French drain which previously took care of the trouble had been ruined when the Gas and Water Company went through there with their lines. Williams said there was nothing that could be done about it. Two families had corrected their problems but two were unable to do so. Both Mr. Hall and Road Superintendent Lawton Culver were present.

Mr. Hall then called on Karl Landmesser, who resides on the corner and asked him what Supervisor LaRoy Ziegler had said in a recent conversation on the problem. He repeated that Ziegler said the extending of pipe in the center

Truck And Car Collide Woman Driver Injured

Mrs. Martin Stook, Hillside Avenue, Harveys Lake, was injured on Tuesday morning at 11:45 when her car crossed the highway near Joe's Pizza in the Sunset sector to turn up Hillside.

Victor Pulozzi, Harveys Lake, driving a truck was proceeding west when Mrs. Stook turned in front of him.

The injured woman was taken to Nesbitt Hospital in the Lehman Ambulance by Lee Wentzel and Lenoard Derby.

She suffered a broken arm and lacerated knees.

Board To Make Heat Decision

Miss Esther Saxe Served 40 Years

Dallas School directors will have a decision to make soon on the type of heating it prefers for the new Junior High School with Gas and Electric Companies vying for the job.

The answer will be forthcoming soon it is expected with the board discussing the issue with the School Authority.

At a meeting of directors last week it was noted that after a period of 40 years service, Miss Esther Saxe, mathematics instructor retired as of June 30 as a faculty member. In addition to her teaching duties, Miss Saxe has been a leader in the Pennsylvania State Education Association during her entire career.

Three other teachers have resigned from the Dallas faculty, John Cathrall, who has accepted a position at Norwich University; Robert Hukill, who will teach in St. Louis, Mo., and Joseph Petrenchak, who has accepted a position with a pharmaceutical firm.

New professional employees are Miss Mary Ann Zessa, Miss Beverly Moase and Robert Kusma.

Named Coordinator

William A. Austin was appointed coordinator of all Federal Programs for the 1967-68 school year.

The request of Alfred M. Camp for a year's sabbatical leave in order that he may pursue doctorate studies was granted.

Dr. Robert Mellman, superintendent, will serve as a member of the Pennsylvania State Board of Private Trade Schools upon invitation of Dr. Breidenstine, Associate Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

The Don Wilkinson Agency was named as delinquent tax collector for the 1967-68 school year and Mrs. Janice Braker was appointed under the E.S.E.A. Program for the 1967-68 term.

Chimney repairs to the Dallas and Trucksville Elementary Buildings will be done by Hughes Brothers at their low bid; plumbing repairs at Dallas Elementary went to Harry Polfer in the amount of \$650; Chlorinator purchase to Wallace and Tieman at \$370; window shades to Roberts and Meek at \$347.40. Paving at Westmoreland will be done by American Asphalt Company at \$582.27 and at Dallas and Trucksville grounds by Dale Parry at \$2,870. Entrance door mats will also be purchased from Roberts and Meek at \$892.

Proposals from agents on football and student activities insurance was turned over to Finance and Insurance Committee.

The cafeteria showed a gain of 1,068.74 for the 66-67 year, but this was due to the school district assuming the responsibility for the replacement of equipment which is ordinarily paid for out of cafeteria funds if such had been sufficient. The slight raise in elementary lunches was needed during the year

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Town Historian Urges Interest IN Dallas Sesquicentennial

INTERESTING HISTORY DISCLOSED BY WRITER ON AREA'S DEVELOPMENT, AND PARTITION

A public meeting has been scheduled for 8 p.m. at the American Legion Building, next Monday night, to look into and, if possible organize, some celebration of the Sesquicentennial of Old Dallas, created by the court in April 1817.

It is a little late, but since such affairs usually are held during the year, a group has suggested that the churches, schools, service clubs, and other institutions and organizations, arrange their activities to emphasize local history during the period of about one week ending at Halloween. It is desired to keep all activities completely free of any political overtones, and any candidates in the upcoming election will be required to keep politics out of any Sesquicentennial observances. The Halloween Parade, a regular event in Dallas for over twenty years, is already in preparation for October 29.

In 1817, Dallas was a big rough triangle, mostly one unbroken forest, bordering Plymouth and Kingston Townships, with the apex on the Locoming County line near Dutch Mountain. The line from west to east 12.3 miles, cut through Huntsville, then probably the largest town Back of the Mountain, extending to a corner near Orange. The longest straight line on the northeast passed through the outskirts of present Beaumont and Noxen, 13.3 miles. Various courses on the western side followed the County line and the new Township of Union, three years old, passing through Sweet Valley and Mountain Springs, 16 miles.

Harveys Lake was not far from the center. Included also were present Lake Louise, Lake Catalpa, Elston and Sparlat Lakes, Harris and North Lakes, Meadow Lake and Lake Sikesworth, Bryant and Beaver and other smaller ponds. A marsh and mill pond were later flooded for Huntsville Reservoir.

Present day communities included are: Fernbrook, Dallas, East Dallas, Ketcham, Demunds, Kunkle, Alderson, Shawanese, Idetown, Lehman, Meeker, Pikes Creek, Outlet, Loyalville, Ruggles, Laketon, and Stull. None were in existence in 1817.

A former Land Township of Bedford, part of the Connecticut Town and County of Westmoreland, surveyed in 1774, had been split by the Luzerne County court in 1790 between Plymouth and Kingston Townships by extending their boundaries. Three petitions by local people to have Bedford reestablished resulted in the new township.

Alexander J. Dallas of Philadelphia, formerly secretary of the treasury for President James Madison, died during the court proceedings. The court order read, "The court confirms the division, and in testimony of the respect which the court entertains for the late Alexander James Dallas, call the new township DALLAS."

Our Dallas is the oldest of about fifteen places so named in the country. Most or all of the others are named for George M. Dallas, son of Alexander, Vice President under President James K. Polk.

In the first assessment in 1818, most of the new township was dense forest, listed as "unseated" lands. About 8,000 acres were assessed to 73 taxpayers in 38 families. They had 54 log houses, 34 horses, 33 oxen, and 73 cows. In the first census in 1820 Dallas had 373 people.

Now the big township has been cut up into Dallas Township and Borough; a big strip off the west side in Ross and Hunlock Townships, cut off in 1821 for Union Township; Lehman, including Lake and lands beyond cut off in 1829; part of Monroe cut off in 1832; part of Franklin in 1843. Much later a small slice was cut off Dallas and added to Lake and Lehman.

—D.A. Waters.

Another Hurt On Dallas Highway

The rainswept 309 highway near Hillside claimed another victim on Tuesday evening at 5 p.m., when Francis Marine, 46, 235 Carverton Road, Trucksville, received serious injuries when his car skidded and went out of control.

The front wheels mounted the curve in front of Donachie's then slid up the highway coming to rest against a tree. Marine was driving a 1966 Oldsmobile and driving north when the accident occurred. He suffered a severe laceration of the scalp, possible pelvic and internal injuries. Passersby aided him until Kingston Township Ambulance arrived, manned by Marvin Yeust and Andrew Roan.

Damages were in excess of a \$1,000, the whole left side of the car crumpled in and the front crumpled. Chief of Police Herbert Updyke investigated aided by Cliff Culver and Charles Woolbert. Traffic was heavy at the time.

**A & P STORE FOOD
CORRECTION PRICE**

Green or yellow squash are priced at two pounds for 25 cents and cucumbers, three for 29 cents and not as listed in the vegetable section.

Sudden Unmarked Curve No Answer To Safe Driving

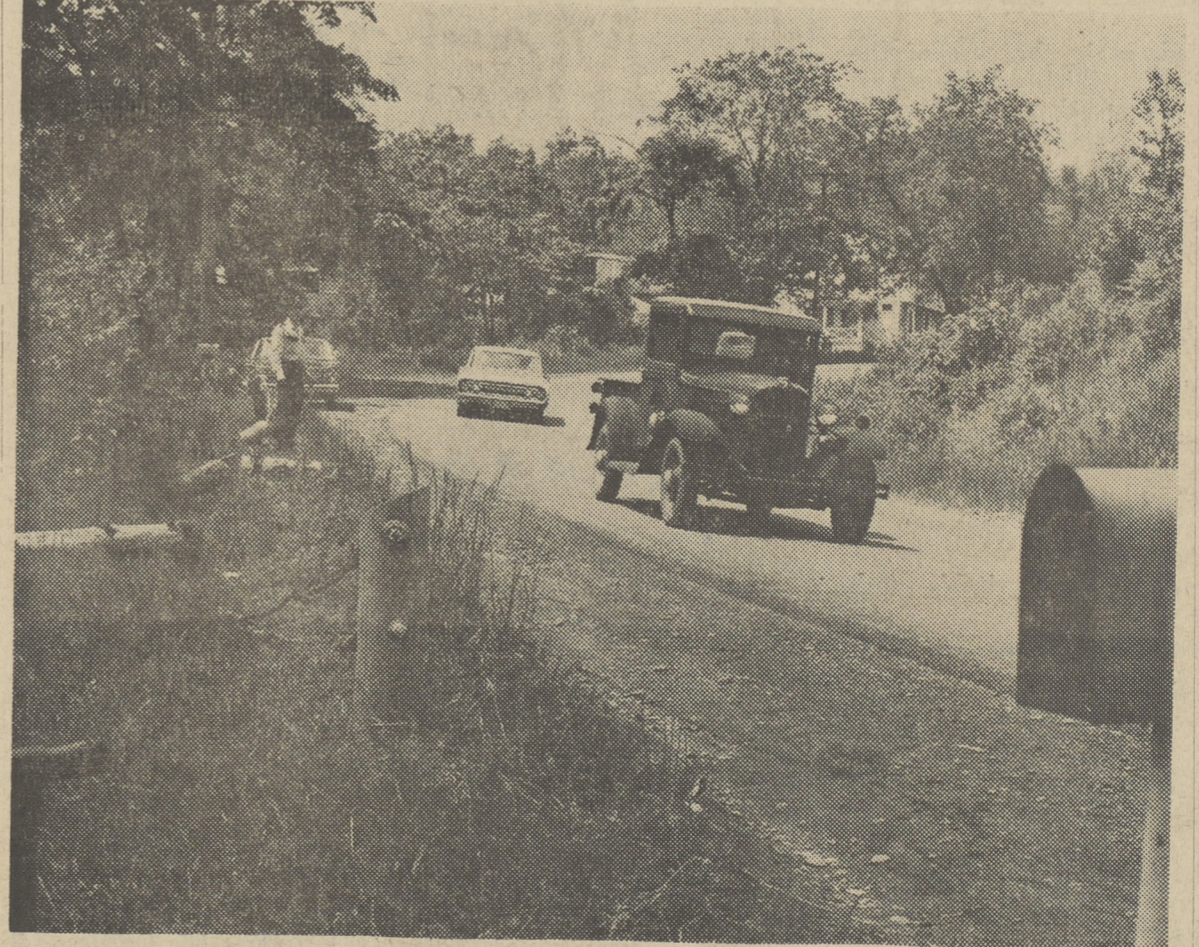


photo — J. Kozemchak, Jr.

David Werts, who resides on the Wyoming Orange Road in Carverton called our attention to this dangerous curve where broken rotted guard rails provide no protection to the unwary motorist.

Just before one turns onto Mt. Olivet Road this sudden twist into a wicked curve has been the scene of many an accident and a creek 18 to 20 feet below the road lies waiting for its victims. Several

youngsters dropped into it several years ago. Last week's bad accident seriously injured three and three accidents have occurred here in the last month.

Mr. Werts reports the State promised to straighten it out several years ago but nothing was done. Residents who fear for their lives and property and the danger to others traveling that way would appreciate reflector signs and a