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## Dallas offer free garage

An offer to provide Dallas Township land to build a town hall and garage - at no cost to taxpayers - was made Monday night to supervisors by the Charles Van Horn estate.

Atty. Henry Greenwald, of Rosenn, Jenkins & Greenwald, the estate's law firm, made the presentation following an earlier move by the board of supervisors to condemn approximately four and three-quarter acres of Van Horn property near the Dallas outdoor theatre on Route 309.

Township solicitor Frank Townend, following a meeting of the board two weeks ago, was to file a declaration of taking with court.

Atty Greenwald said it would be disastrous for the township to cut in half 30 acres of land owned by the estate if the court approved condemnation proceedings.

The property being offered is located on Country Club Road near the new Presbyterian Church. Some property in that area has been sold for around \$2000 an acre.

According to Atty. Greenwald, the supervisors Monday night recessed without taking any action.

The township solicitor said that a decision by the board would be made Tuesday.

He said the decision would depend on exactly where the land is located, and that boundary lines would have to be determined.

"We have to see if we accommodate," he said. If the property is at the bottom of the hill it is doubtful if it would be suitable, he said.

The offer of the free land came as a surprise, Mr. Townend said.

What the township intended to condemn was a pie-shaped piece of land between the Dallas theatre, the Transcontinental pipeline and UGI lines.

The point of the "pie" is near the entrance to the theatre.

## water bd. is named

With the setting up of a Water Commission in Kingston Township, residents will have a board to whom they can voice their complaints.

The move is to provide service to residents that their complaints over the bad water situation will be heard.

Picked by Kingston Township Supervisors at their meeting Wednesday evening with a resolution to be determined on its legality, the group of men and women representing the community met Friday evening to set up plans.

Teachers, businessmen and housewives comprise the roster with Rev. Charles Gommer Jr. named temporary chairman.

Named were Mrs. Marie Naperkowski, who spearheaded the movement for action, Eugene Goffin, Dr. Howard Swain, professors at King's and Wilkes Colleges respectively; Elwood Swingle, John Cromauer, George Nichols Jr., Ned Hartman and Mrs. Joan Lenahan, as secretary, will assist Rev. Gommer, pastor of Trucksville Methodist Church.

Following the adjourned meeting of the supervisors Friday evening the new Water Commission named Rev. Gommer chairman to carry on its work. Bylaws will be drawn up and plans are to proceed with the successful conclusion of the crisis which has Trucksville residents up in arms.

They will act as intermediaries between the consumer and the companies.



Bob Saffian and Steve Post of New Goss Manor, Dallas, take advantage of the first snow of the season to create their version of the familiar snowman.

## personal vendetta charged

A Harveys Lake Borough resident claims that councilmen and the Luzerne County Planning Commission are making a personal vendetta against him.

Anthony Tolouba, RD 4, Lehman, owner of Tolba Trailer Sales, has taken exception to a statement by the borough's solicitor, Atty. John O'Connor, made at a meeting last week in which the attorney said the Luzerne Planning Commission would prosecute Mr. Tolouba.

According to the solicitor, Mr. Tolouba had applied to Lehman Twp. — before it became part of Harveys Lake Borough — for a building permit and had been refused.

When part of Lehman Twp. was ordered by the court to become part of the new Harveys Lake Borough, Mr. Tolouba's business was included.

Mr. Tolouba, however, has evidence that the permit was granted. A permit signed by J. Tough and Alan S. Major of Lehman Twp. was issued Mr. Tolouba on September 5, 1967.

A \$15 fee was paid in cash at that time, and the permit shows a receipt for the same.

In his request for the permit, Mr. Tolouba and his wife Helen, wrote that they "... know we have a place that looks like an eyesore" and declared that they would improve their property.

Plans included a new drainage field and the removal of an older building to be replaced by a newer type.

Mr. Tolouba said he has been in business 25 years, 16 of them at the present location.

He said that during that time he has had to go to court over numerous petty complaints

from officials and feels that he has been the victim of a personal vendetta.

"I am going to attempt to secure the services of the American Civil Liberties Union," Mr. Tolouba said. "They may provide me with an attorney to fight this thing."

He said that over the years he has been unfairly assessed, either through ignorance or through intent, and that he has tax statements showing this to be true.

"It becomes more difficult to see the red, white and blue in the American flag," when things are run this way he said.

## L-Lehman school bd. delays meeting

Lake-Lehman school board postponed its meeting until November 14 because of heavy snow on November 12.

Few visitors were present to voice opinions or make complaints. A request that a kindergarten bus stop at Oak Hill be changed, was referred to the transportation committee, chairman Franklin Patton.

A personal leave was granted to Joseph Martini, who had spent the day of November 1 at the hospital while his wife submitted to surgery.

Resignation of Mrs. Marjorie Barnes as a cafeteria worker was accepted, and Therese Tranel of Hunlock Creek RD 2 approved to fill the vacancy.

Decision was on recommendation of Mrs. Mekeel and Supervising Principal Robert Z. Belles. Two other applicants were considered.

John Miliauskas, band director, received permission to at-

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## water crisis to go to PUC

Attorney Merton Jones, newly appointed counsel to assist in the water crisis in Kingston Township, announced at the regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors last week that the best plan of action will be to file a complaint with the PUC and he expected to do this early this week, avoiding any court injunction at this point.

The complaint will be made by the supervisory board against Trucksville Water Company, designating insufficient supply as its main item.

Many residents have suffered over a period from the poor quality of water and the State Health Department came into the picture to the aid of residents.

Atty. Jones said he had talked to Representative Frank O'Connell, who had played a role in bringing a representative from the PUC into this area, and to Col. John Hetzel, who told Jones that he was fairly satisfied that repairs are being made to correct the condition.

A new line is being laid by the Water company from Huntsville Dam into Trucksville on the westerly side of the highway and the pump house at Hillside.

This move is designed to alleviate lack of water on the eastern hill. Doubt, however, remains in the minds of many consumers in this sector, who question its feasibility. Some feel that artesian wells may spout up throughout Trucksville.

William Long voiced his question on the use of such means to obtain more water. Lines going into the homes are small and inadequate he said. The recent turbidity has been blamed on an air injection system used.

A number of residents in attendance attested to the smelly content of the water which leaves a dark sediment in pots and pans. The Health Department has ordered every dweller to boil all drinking water and many folks are bringing in water from other areas.

The two schools in this section are being furnished bottled water for consumption.

Atty. Jones advised that putting the company out of business would solve no problems. He said that the water company has an allotted length of time to meet obligations, and urged residents to bring to him records denoting time and date they were without water.

He said this would be helpful in presenting his case. He commended the Health Department for its prompt action.

Atty. Jones also said he would

do all in his power to have the PUC establish adequate standards and see that they are complied with. If this is not done, then we can go to court, he continued.

Gus Colovos, a resident of Trucksville, said some findings were based on the siphoning action and was assured that this could cause dirty water. Mr. Colovos claims that an illness he suffered in July of last year was due to the dirty water coming into his home.

His wife reported that a health officer had been at their home in the past several days and that they were getting only a trickle out of their pipes and many times no water at all. They reside on Lehigh Street, one of the areas not affected.

Paul Sabol, who resides on Pioneer Avenue, said they had water but it stinks.

Ned Hartman reported he was to be represented here. He said his neighbors would like it was to be represented here. He said his neighbors would like it known that they had water problems also.

LaRoy Ziegler, in charge of this phase of business said the board had set up a commission to cover all areas.

Chairman Edward Hall said he knew of 32 families in Shavertown on two streets who were having poor service and unpalatable water. Shavertown is served by Dallas Shavertown Water Company and the upper Mt. Airy sector by Hillcrest Water Company.

Atty. Jones said that in checking records nothing could be found to show who owned Trucksville Water Company. It is reportedly owned by Rulison Evans. Bills to consumers come from the office of Penna. Power and Gas Company on Franklin Street, Wilkes-Barre. Evans is president of the firm.

Mrs. Naperkowski asked if these reports would be filed in a drawer by the PUC and forgotten and was assured by the special counsel that Rep. O'Connell will continue to push the action and State Health Engineer Ralph Heister will give all the support he can.

Mrs. Colovos said that every time they complained the fault seems to lie in the pumps or so we are told. Carmen, the maintenance man gets blamed. If different pipes are being laid, how will this alleviate the pump problem?" She asked.

Mr. Hall reminded residents that, "We are not buying a product in this case. God gives you that. The trouble is solely in the service." Mr. Ziegler added, "With the local government making a complaint, let's see

where we will get." Mrs. Naperkowski asked if writing letters to the head of the PUC, George Bloom, would help, and Mr. Jones replied

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*'better kids come from ...'*

A motto on the wall of Luzerne County Juvenile Courtroom, reads "Better Children Come From Better Parents."

As always, last Friday's session of Juvenile Court spotlighted the parents ... the mothers who were aghast that their children could be accused. The mothers who were suddenly resentful.

The mothers who had yielded to the way things were over many years, and who now appeared in a state of resignation.

A mother who had asked for help because her children were beyond her control.

A mother interrupting proceedings and being quelled by a quiet word.

A mother who gripped her daughter's arm in a punishing gesture, as the girl broke away and stormed down the aisle, defiant and incorrigible, clearly intent upon running away again.

It was all the usual pattern in Judge Robert Hourigan's court.

There were the usual consultations in private ahead of time, while people from the Back Mountain joined in a coffee break as they waited for a special case to be brought up.

Shel Evans was there, Mary Ward, Chief Herbert Updyke. "How those kids got that safe down the steps, I just don't understand," Shel murmured in an undertone, over the coffee cup.

A stairstep trio of boys, 10, 12, and 13, brought before the court for misconduct in school and truancy. The older ones committed to Warendale for counselling and control, the ten-year old remanded to the County Juvenile center.

A girl, sadly overweight, and

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## recreation commission is set up

Kingston Township Supervisors set up a Recreation Commission on Friday evening which will hopefully lead to a site and provisions for a play area in the district.

Elwood Swingle was named temporary chairman by Edward Hall.

Earl Fritzges, Harold Rose, Milton Evans and John Baur complete the commission.

The Board has been trying for some time to obtain land which would provide local recreation as recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board of Kingston Township.

In other action the supervisors awarded the bid for a police cruiser to Howard Isaacs at a price of \$2500.25. Loader bids will be studied further.

Due to need for a third police officer the board will advertise for applicants before the December 11 meeting.

## Election Results at Local Polls

### Dallas Borough

North District - President: R-Nixon 359, D-Humphrey 172, I-Wallace 21; Senator: R-Schweiker 387, D-Clark 142; Judge Superior Court: R-Hannum 363, D-Cercone 145; Auditor General: R-Deputy 324, D-Casey 203; State Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 353, D-Sloan 164; Congress: R-Bunn 219, D-Flood 325; State Representative: R-O'Connell 411, D-Adams 137.

South District - President: R-Nixon 246, D-Humphrey 158, I-Wallace 17; Senator: R-Schweiker 268, D-Clark 131; Judge: R-Hannum 260, D-Cercone 128; Auditor General: R-Deputy 233, D-Casey 165; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 238, D-Sloan 150; Congress: R-Bunn 134, D-Flood 275; State Representative: R-O'Connell 298, D-Adams 111.

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South District - President: R-Nixon 598, D-Humphrey 262, I-Wallace 56, (Peace and Freedom)-Gregory 1; Senator: R-Schweiker 606, D-Clark 250; Judge: R-Hannum 589, D-Cercone 229; Auditor General:

R-Deputy 539, D-Casey 304; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 551, D-Sloan 282; Congress: R-Bunn 336, D-Flood 554; State Representative: R-O'Connell 655, D-Adams 234.

Middle District - President: R-Nixon 543, D-Humphrey 257, Socialist-Blomen 1, I-Wallace 28; Senator: R-Schweiker 590, D-Clark 213; Judge: R-Hannum 549, D-Cercone 225; Auditor General: R-Deputy 497, D-Casey 303; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 530, D-Sloan 259; Congress: R-Bunn 247, D-Flood 474; Representative: R-O'Connell 593, D-Adams 230.

North District - President: R-Nixon 127, D-Humphrey 62, I-Wallace 13; Senator: R-Schweiker 136, D-Clark 52; Judge: R-Hannum 128, D-Cercone 53; Auditor General: R-Deputy 122, D-Casey 65; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 116, D-Sloan 69; Congress: R-Bunn 94, D-Flood 105; Representative: R-O'Connell 149, D-Adams 52.

On the question of Veterans (Vietnam) Compensation: S-278 yes, 92 no; M-292 yes, 82 no; N-59 yes, 25 no.

### Kingston Township

Shavertown - President: R-Nixon 617, D-Humphrey 278, Socialist-Blomen 1, I-Wallace 37, Peace and Freedom-Gregory 1; Senator: R-Schweiker 662, D-Clark 237; Judge: R-Hannum 628, D-Cercone 244; Auditor General: R-Deputy 570, D-Casey 324; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 579, D-Sloan 300; Congress: R-Bunn 368, D-Flood 550; Representative: R-O'Connell 680, D-Adams 235.

Trucksville - President: R-Nixon 755, D-Humphrey 343, I-Wallace 51, Militant Workers-Halstead 1; Senator: R-Schweiker 782, D-Clark 315; Judge: R-Hannum 760, D-Cercone 311; Auditor General: R-Deputy 688, D-Casey 422; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 722, D-Sloan 360; Congress: R-Bunn 427, D-Flood 700; Representative: R-O'Connell 828, D-Adams 295.

Carverton - President: R-Nixon 111, D-Humphrey 60, I-Wallace 22; Senator: R-Schweiker 119, D-Clark 58; Judge: R-Hannum 115, D-Cercone 61; Auditor General: R-Deputy 95, D-Casey 79; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 115, D-Sloan 64; Congress: R-Bunn

64, D-Flood 122; Representative: R-O'Connell 121, D-Adams 65.

Veterans Compensation - S-348 yes, 103 no; T-501 yes, 97 no; C-89 yes, 24 no.

### Jackson Township

President: R-Nixon 343, D-Humphrey 274, Militant Workers-Halstead 1, I-Wallace 42; Senator: R-Schweiker 365, D-Clark 243; Judge: R-Hannum 351, D-Cercone 253; Auditor General: R-Deputy 321, D-Casey 207; Treasurer: R-Pasquerilla 324, D-Sloan 280; Congress: R-Bunn 218, D-Flood 422; Representative: R-O'Connell 408, D-Adams 244.

Veterans Compensation: 212 yes, 62 no.

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## tie those dogs

Chief Lionel Bulford, Lehman, asks that all residents keep their dogs tied or suffer heavy fines.

He has received many complaints, particularly from the Oak Hill area.



Somewhat typical of the season's first snow storm Tuesday of last week, was this fallen tree that luckily did little damage at the home of Mrs. Ramage, Park Street, Harveys Lake. Three automobiles were parked in the driveway at the time.