

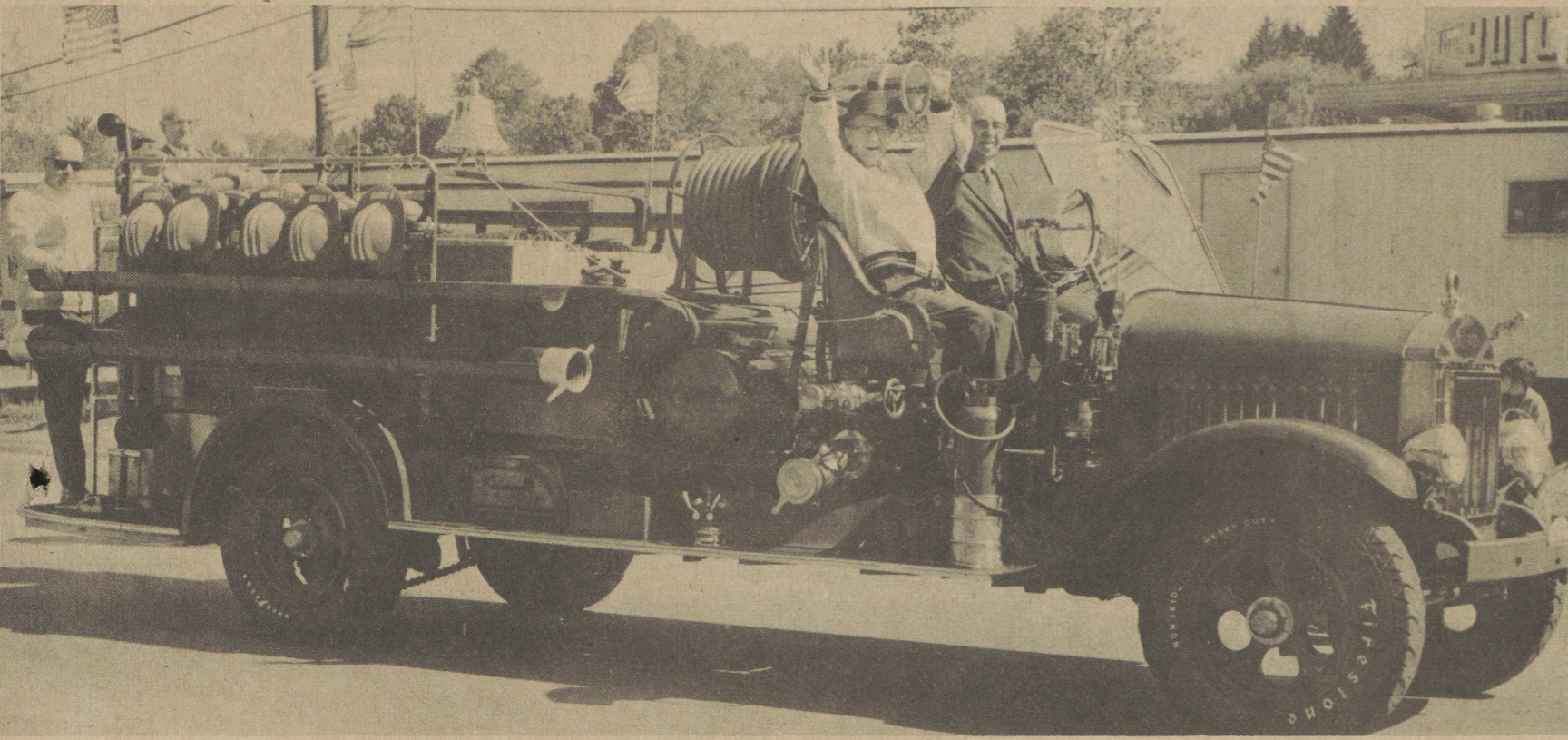
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Proud veterans of the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co. rode aboard a completely restored 1927 Mack pumper in the Memorial Day parade held in Dallas Monday morning.

1927 Mack Firetruck Leads Another Parade

Proudly representing a total of 167 years of volunteer fire service to the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co. five "old-timers" rode in Dallas' Memorial Day

Parade Monday. Their special mode of transportation was an "oldtimer" too—a 1927 Mack pumper truck.

For those who viewed the parade, the driver of the Mack was James Besecker, a charter member of the Dallas fire unit since its organization in 1927. A fire chief for 15 years, Mr. Besecker is still an active member of the unit. Seated with him was Les Warhola, also a former chief. Riding on the back of the truck were Dan Richards, a former chief; Tom Kingston, and Henry Peterson, former president and currently a vice-president.

Average years served with the fire company is 31 years - with Mr. Besecker serving in his 44th year. Each of the five men were presented with helmets, marked with their names.

The chain-driven 1927 Mack was given a special restoration job in time for the day on which America honors her dead from all wars. Fire chief Don Shaffer was in charge of the restoration project.

"Everything that could be removed from the truck and chassis was taken off and refinished, refurbished, rebuilt, or restored," declared a fire company official.

Monday Fire Destroys Home

An early Monday morning fire gutted the home and garage of the William Downs family in Lehman Township while the family were visiting with Mrs. Downs' parents in Wildwood, N.J. No injuries were reported.

The alarm was called in at 4:20 a.m. by a member of the John R. Vivian family, neighbors of the Downs. Lehman and Jackson Township fire companies and Jonathan R. Davis Fire Co., Idetown, responded with seven pieces of equipment. Lehman Township fire chief Harold Coolbaugh directed about 40 volunteer firefighters; he was aided by assistant chief L. C. Sutton. Several members of the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co., Dallas, also helped to battle the blaze, but their equipment was not used.

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Garinger Wins In Vote Dispute

A petition which sought to have nine absentee ballots cast in the May 18 primary election at Harveys Lake Borough included in the borough's official returns was approved by the Luzerne County Board of Election, *Court en banc*, following a hearing last Thursday morning.

The petition initiated by Arnold Garinger, Republican candidate for school director in Lake-Lehman's first region, was filed by Atty. Charles D. Lemmond Jr.

In presenting the petition before Judges Robert J. Hourigan and Peter Paul Olszewski, Atty. Lemmond noted that "an examination of the open and sealed returns does not indicate that these ballots were included in the returns to the board."

Eight of the absentee ballots in question were cast by Republicans; one by a Democrat. The count revealed that Mr. Garinger received seven votes, J. Franklin Patton received three votes, Ellis Hoover, three votes; and Earl Booth, two votes.

The vote count reversed an apparent victory for Mr. Booth and indicated that Mr. Garinger was in fact the Republican party's second school board nominee.

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Teacher, Board Dispute Flares in Lehman District

No agreement has been reached in contract negotiations currently in progress between the Lake-Lehman School Board and teachers in that district, *The Dallas Post* learned earlier this week.

According to Calvin Kanyuck, chief negotiator for the Lake-Lehman Education Association, a meeting with the school board's negotiating team was scheduled for last night at 8.

"We are hopeful that a contract agreement will be reached before the end of the school year," Mr. Kanyuck stated. The purpose of the meeting last night, the negotiator told *The Post*, was to "iron out the major areas of disagreement" between the teachers and the school board.

He indicated that these "major areas" involved teacher salaries and hospitalization benefits for dependents.

On May 12, Lake-Lehman teachers voted against accepting proposals which had been agreed upon by their own nego-

tiating team and the school board; the proposals were reportedly defeated by a vote of 39 to 40.

In commenting on the current contract negotiations, Atty. Charles D. Lemmond, chief negotiator for the school board, acknowledged the defeat of the proposals "by a single vote" and stated that his committee—comprised of school board directors J. Franklin Patton and Michael Slimak—would "meet as often as is necessary to arrive at a contract settlement which is satisfactory to both parties."

Mr. Kanyuck stated that he does not anticipate a strike inasmuch as the teachers have not at any time taken a strike vote. "The only voting which has been done has been on the proposals," he said.

Other members of the teachers' negotiating team are Frank Wilczewski, Zack Riehl, and Bettie Strawser.

Dallas Teachers Agree On Proposed Contract

Details of salaries and benefits for professional employes of Dallas School District were revealed Friday by Walter Glogowski, president of the Dallas Education Association.

Starting salaries range from \$6,400 to \$8,700, with an additional \$100 in the fifth and 11th steps. With a bachelor's degree, a teacher's salary will increase to \$10,800 after his or her 14th year of service.

Fringe benefits have increased in some areas. Prior to this contract, Blue Cross and Blue Shield was singular; it is family coverage now, with \$4 per month paid by the district. Teachers will also have the benefit of \$3,000 life insurance.

The length of the school year is 187 days. School hours per day remain the same.

Although contracts have not been signed, agreements were reached last week by the school board and DEA's negotiators. Formal signing of contracts will be made upon completion of perusal by Ben Jones 3rd, school board solicitor, and Peter O'Brien, northeastern representative for Pennsylvania State Education Association.

The DEA president was asked about comparable salaries in this school district and other area districts. He stated that even with increases this year, local teachers are not receiving salaries as remunerative as last year's salaries in Wyoming Valley West, Wilkes-Barre, Tunkhannock and other districts. "Parity was not attained," Mr. Glogowski in-

Unproper Voting Found in Borough Primary Election

The three-member election board of Harveys Lake Borough was admonished by Luzerne County Judges Robert J. Hourigan and Peter Paul Olszewski for apparent lapses in proper voting procedures on Primary Election Day at a hearing before the *Court en banc* last Thursday morning.

The hearing was prompted by an affidavit filed by Democratic Watcher Helen Sgarlat, who alleged that the election board of Harveys Lake Borough had permitted the voting polls of that community to be "conducted in an unlawful manner."

Present at the hearing were Judge of Election Cornelius Smith, Minority Inspector Bina Stenger, and Majority Inspector Helen Bainbridge.

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Former Globe Store Executive Joins Newspaper Management

William W. Davis Sr., 611 Lilac Lane, Clarks Summit, has been named vice president and general manager of Greenstreet News Co., according to an announcement made this week by William W. Scranton 3rd, president. Greenstreet publishes three regional suburban weekly newspapers, *The Abington Journal*, *The Dallas Post*, and *The Mountaintop Eagle*.

Mr. Scranton said that Mr. Davis' principle functions will be to direct the advertising, circulation and business departments of all three newspapers. His appointment becomes effective immediately.

Widely known in the advertising and business community of Northeastern Pennsylvania, Mr. Davis was formerly national advertising manager of the *Scranton Tribune* and *Sunday Scrantonian*. Later he joined the Globe Store as advertising director and then became sales promotion manager. In 1960 he was named vice president of the Globe Store. More recently he was eastern sales manager for Ad-R-Holt, Inc., where he was a specialist in retail promotion services.

Mr. Davis, a Scranton native, is a graduate of Central High School, Keystone Junior College, where he majored in

business and journalism, and the University of Scranton, where he studied advertising and marketing.

A member of many civic organizations, Mr. Davis is a former president of the Scranton Commercial Association; former vice president of the Scranton Better Business Bureau; a former

member of the board of directors of the Scranton Chamber of Commerce; and a former member of the Scranton Advertising and Sales Club. He has served on various other committees, including the United Fund, Downtown Development Committee, Chamber of Commerce public relations committee, and the chamber's sustaining drive.

Mr. Davis will assume some of the duties formerly held by both Mr. Scranton and J. R. Freeman. Mr. Freeman will now hold the position of vice president in charge of news for Greenstreet. He will also continue his duties as editor of *The Journal*.

In his new position, Mr. Davis will maintain offices at Greenstreet Corporate headquarters, 41 Lehman Ave., Dallas. In addition, his responsibilities will entail duties in *The Mountaintop Eagle* offices near the Triangle in Mountaintop, and *The Abington Journal* offices in the Tenant Building in Clarks Summit.

A former master sergeant in the U.S. Army, Mr. Davis, and his wife, Lucille, are the parents of two sons and a daughter, William W. Jr., a trust officer at Northeastern National Bank; Charles H., with the Aetna Insurance Co., Scranton; and Sheri, a student at Endicott Junior College, Beverly Mass.



William W. Davis



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