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FIFTEEN CENTS



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Youngsters dressed as goblins, witches, and various other spooky characters assembled at the Acme parking lot in Dallas before the parade Sunday. The Stegmaier Band provided the musical accompaniment for the marchers.

Elenchik, Park Win

Three Upsets Scored in Township, Borough Races

Three upsets—two of them genuine and one slightly ersatz—marked the local elections for township supervisors and borough council members in the Back Mountain community.

Jackson Township—one of the few Back Mountain communities to have elected a Democrat within the past 20 years—did it again when its voters elected Democrat Frank J. Elenchik as township supervisor. Elenchik defeated incumbent Wesley Lamoreaux by a vote of 303 to 261 in what must be termed a startling victory. What with the recent resignation of another supervisor, Elmer Laskowski, Jackson Township politics are all astir, and there are those who suggest that the situation bears close watching. Elenchik was unable to carry the Democratic candidate for auditor into office on his coattails, and Republican Dale Wright took that position from Walter F. Mickno, 286-217.

The other real upset occurred in Lehman Township where Democrat Joseph

W. Park stunned veteran poll watchers with a 353-339 victory over Republican Frank E. Crossin in the township's supervisor race. In the primary election, Crossin had garnered 253 votes to nudge fellow Republican William Samuel from the contest; his good showing in the primary makes his loss to Park in the general election all the more surprising.

The outcome of the primary election also played a significant role in the Lake Township supervisor's race, where Nesbitt Hummel stomped Jasper Kocher, 333 to 178. Hummel, who had lost the Republican party nomination in May to Kocher by a scant six votes, chose to change his party affiliation and run as a Democrat in the general election. His plan was eminently successful.

In Dallas Borough, that bastion of Republican supremacy, the four Republican candidates for council swept to easy victories. Three incumbents—Robert W. Parry (510 votes), Harold L. Brobst (511), and George H. Thomas

(485)—retained their seats and Robert W. Brown, a former Dallas Borough mayor, collected 504 votes to join them.

Democrats Francis Shonk and Richard Fuller polled 205 votes and 218 respectively.

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Republicans Win Board Seat; Harvey Victorious

Leonard D. Harvey, magistrate in District 3-8, once again proved his vote-getting abilities as he rolled up an impressive victory over his Democratic opponent, Richard Tattersall. Harvey received 2,666 votes in the communities comprising District 3-8—the townships of Lehman, Lake, Jackson, Plymouth and the boroughs of Dallas and Harveys Lake. Tattersall received 921 votes.

In the school director's race in Dallas Area School District, there was little contest as three Republicans won easy victories over their Democratic opponents. Patricia Gregory, whose name appeared on both the Democratic and Republican slates, took 3437 votes; William Price was second highest vote-getter with 2580 votes, and Ernest Ashbridge took the third school board position with 2403 votes. A diligently waged campaign by Democrat Paul M.

Lauer Jr. was to no avail—he lost with 1403 votes. Leonard C. Nordfors Sr., also a Democrat, received 947 votes.

A total of three school board positions were also up for grabs in the Lake-Lehman School District, and with only one Democratic opponent, the Republicans encountered little opposition. In Region One, comprised of Harveys Lake Borough, Noxen and Lake Townships, Ellis W. Hoover was the high vote-getter with 800 votes; he was shadowed by incumbent R. Arnold Garinger who took 744 votes. Their Democratic opponent, Norman J. Wienckowski, polled 442 votes.

In Lake-Lehman's Region Two, which includes the Middle and Southwest districts of Lehman Township and Ross Township, the Democratic candidate withdrew before the election, leaving the field wide open for Kenneth A. Williams, who received 597 votes.



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Tack Discovered in Trick or Treat Candy

A Back Mountain youngster narrowly avoided injury last Saturday night when he bit into a piece of Halloween candy in which was implanted a tack, Dallas Borough Police report.

Deploing the fact that the tack was found in "trick or treat" candy of a Dallas Borough child, Police Chief Ray Titus declared this week that he would continue the investigation "until we find the guilty party or parties."

The police chief said that he could not remember an act of this kind ever taking place in the borough during his career as a police officer.

The child involved went out Saturday night for Halloween trick or treating, and rang doorbells at homes on Elizabeth, Park, Joseph and Jackson streets. At one of the homes on those four streets the youngster received a wrapped piece of candy. He took it, as well as other treats, home before he ate any. When he bit into the candy he saw the implanted tack (something like an upholstery tack) and showed it to his parents, who informed the police of the incident.

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College to Meet With State Water Officials

A complaint filed with District Magistrate Frederick Anderson's office by the Department of Environmental Resources against College Misericordia has been withdrawn, pending the implementation of needed improvements to the college's sewage treatment facilities, the Post learned earlier this week.

A magistrate's hearing originally scheduled for yesterday afternoon was cancelled after officials from College Misericordia announced plans to meet Friday with State water pollution control officials.

The meeting follows a disclosure by the State that present facilities at the college are inadequate for the number of persons living on campus. The problem was discovered during a recent inspection by state and college officials.

The meeting between the college and state officials was scheduled to seek solutions to the problem as soon as possible, according to James Connery, College Misericordia business manager. "We intend to cooperate fully in meeting state

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Bank to Add Space

United Penn Bank has announced plans to construct two additional drive-in windows to accommodate customers at its Dallas Branch. The announcement was made this week by William Baker, Dallas Branch manager.

The two brick and stained wood buildings will be erected adjacent to the present drive-in window, which is located in the bank proper. The bank's driveway, now approximately eight feet wide, will

be widened to about 20 feet.

"With our present driveway, we have had some congestion at the entrance to the parking lot, but this situation should be remedied with the wider driveway," stated Mr. Baker. "There should be room at the drive-in windows for 11 cars without blocking the entrance to the parking lot."

Additional parking space will be given the lot. Existing parking capacity is 46; new capacity will be 52 vehicles.

Landscaping is planned for the northern corner of the property, where the front of the Morgis building stands. Grass, shrubbery and flowers will be planted in season, in keeping with the attractive landscaping alongside the bank wall, on the southern side of the driveway.

In addition to building the two new drive-ins, the main building, fronting on Main Street, will be remodeled to some extent and refurbished.

Mr. Baker's office, to the immediate left of the front entrance, will be completely enclosed.

The tellers' counter will be refinished, as will all the exposed oak trim. Also, the area for safety deposit boxes will be enlarged; thus permitting accession of 50 additional deposit boxes.

The bank has purchased the property at the corner of Main Street and Route 415 from Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Morgis, and notified tenants this week that they should plan to vacate the premises no later than Jan. 1, 1972. The Morgis building has housed the Sneak 'a Snack Cafe and Tony's Barber Shop, with law offices of B.B. Lewis and John S. Fine Jr. on the second floor.

Razing of the Gregory building will begin as soon as all tenants have moved.

Tentative date for completion of drive-ins and remodeling is set for April 1, 1972. After the Gregory building is torn down, construction of the new units will progress as weather permits.

"Weather will be a factor, but we anticipate approximately three months for construction," Mr. Baker said.

Bids will be advertised in about four weeks. One contract will be awarded for razing the Gregory building; a second will go to a contractor for construction purposes.

Lacy Atherton and Davis, Wilkes-Barre, drew the architectural designs.

Back Mountain's oldest voter in Tuesday's election was Herb Major, 95 year old resident of Overbrook Road, Dallas. Mr. Major has been voting at Back Mountain polls since he was 21 years old and says he has missed very few.