

# Noxen

Dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lauren Sayre Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Boyer, Attleboro, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Straley, Mr. and Mrs. George Sayre and Cecil Vopulis, Beaumont.

Edgar Engelman left Friday to spend the holiday weekend with his daughters, Mrs. Robert McGovern and Mrs. John Hansen and their families, Canandaigua, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Benner, Richfield, were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Montross Saturday. Others were Burt Montross, Mr. and Mrs. William Coole, Kelly Rae, Fred and Chris, Noxen.

Mary Patton, Binghamton, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Patton.

Sympathy of the community is extended to the family of Mrs. Albert Williams, who was laid to rest in the Orcutt Cemetery Thursday.

Mrs. Clark Oliver received word that her brother Elbert Endres, West Pittston, had been hospitalized.

Dinner guests at the home of Ruth Field recently were her son, Allen, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Tommy of Miami, Fla. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bigelow, Mariel and Agnes Lutes, Mr. and Mrs. Elmore Pogor of Glenside were also guests at the Field home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Miller, Towanda, were dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Joseph Hacking and son, Carl, Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Jones and family, West Carthage, N.Y., spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Albert Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Polk, Wyoming, called on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Shalata on Christmas. Other members of the family also visited.

Holiday guests at the home of Harry Siglin were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jenks, Wrightstown, N.J. and Mr. and Mrs. David Hopkins, Vienna, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hickin and son, David, Washington, D.C. were weekend guests at the home of David Dembowski.

Christmas guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dembowski and family of Muhlenberg; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Dembowski of Ghentdale, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Sieminsky of Boonton, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lord spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allen and family, Vestal, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Galka Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Urban Womer, Fairless Hills were weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Galka Jr. and family.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Harrison Seward on the death of her sister, Ethel Heck, Belmar, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Patton, Henri and Lee Ann, Dayton, Ohio, and Lowell Patton and Jan Dussinger, Sayre, were guests at the Franklin Pattons over the holidays. Mr.

and Mrs. Osbert Patton and their baby, of Ebensburg, were also guests at the Patton home.

Christmas dinner guests at the Fred Schencks were Mr. and Mrs. A.C. Myers and family, New Carrollton, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph French and family, Brasier Falls, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dendler and family, Winthrop, N.Y.; and Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Cahill and family, West Pittston.

The Frenchs remained to attend the funeral of his aunt, Helen Rhode, Thursday.

Mrs. Donald Meeker visited her daughter at Jamestown over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Benjamin and daughter Emmaus, spent the holiday weekend with the Thomas Gays and Guy Fritzes.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Besteder, Vernon, Boyd and Cheryl, Wilmington, Del., spent the New Year's weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Territo.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Goble and Cindy visited several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Goodyear at Tatersburg, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McGovern, Robert and Cindy Lou, Canandagua, N.Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Renford Swire and Rhonda, Harrisburg, were holiday guests at the home of Edgar Engelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Miner, Chenango Forks, N.Y., spent the weekend with his father, Jacob Miner.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wall spent the weekend at the home of their son, Larry Pederson and family, at New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Charles Atkins and son, Richard of Tampa, Fla., are spending two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harding.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterlyn May, Sidney, Jeffrey, Debbie and Valerie, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rifenberry, Amy Rose, Todd and Fran, spent New Year's Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Boone, Ebersville.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson, N.Y.C., are visiting at the home of their son, Roger, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Crispell recently visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schenck and family at Scotia, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Boone and Sharon and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Shupp spent the holiday at the home of Mrs. George Crispell, St. Petersburg, Fla.

# Commonwealth Telephone Acquires Leesport Rural Telephone Company

Commonwealth Telephone Company, Dallas, has acquired Leesport Rural Telephone Company, Leesport, through an exchange of common stock, Dec. 29, 1971, effective with the close of business Dec. 31, 1971.

David R. Willits, president of

the Leesport Company, and John B. Hibbard, president of Commonwealth made the announcement Dec. 28.

The acquisition involved the exchange of 42,660 shares of Commonwealth Telephone stock for 1,840 shares of Leesport common and 545 shares of preferred. The acquisition was approved by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Dec. 22, 1971.

Commonwealth Telephone Company serves over 140,000 telephones in 16 counties in eastern and northeastern

Pennsylvania and has telephone plant in service in excess of \$69,000,000. It has approximately 2,800 shareholders.

Leesport Rural Telephone, located in Berks County, six miles north of Reading, had 4,589 telephones in service and assets of almost \$1,200,000 as of Nov. 30, 1971. The Company will be a separate subsidiary corporation of Commonwealth Telephone Company and will be known as the Leesport Telephone Company.

Officers of the new Leesport Company will be: John B. Hibbard, chairman of the board; David R. Willits, president; George B. Sordoni, vice president-treasurer; Charlotte Dissinger, secretary; Raymond C. Parsons, assistant secretary.

Directors are: Edward S. Barber, John R. Clark, Charlotte Dissinger, Lloyd C. Gable, John B. Hibbard, Stanley G. Kauffman, Raymond C. Parsons, George B. Sordoni, William J. Umphred, David R. Willits, M. Isabelle Willits, Verna M. Willits.

# Alderson

The Gleaners Class of the Alderson United Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. Albert Armitage Dec. 29 for its regular meeting and Christmas party. Mrs. Theodore Heness, Mrs. Arthur Wagner, and Mrs. Robert Bush were co-hostesses.

President Mrs. Robert Williams had charge of the meeting and heard reports from the secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Williams thanked all who made the cookie sale a success, and it was decided to give \$350 to the church treasury.

After the meeting games were played, gifts were exchanged. Secret Pals for the coming year were picked, and lunch was served. Attending were: Mrs. Henry Westfield, Mrs. Amos Hunsinger, Mrs. William James, Mrs. Samuel Davis, Ethel Roden, Ida Allen, Jessie Rogers, Mrs. Raymond Garinger, Mary Montross, Esther Grey, Sue Dodd, Rose Sweeney, Mary Kuchta, and the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeMichele and children of Tarrytown, N.Y. spent the New Year's weekend with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Javer.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Avery left Tuesday to spend the remaining winter months in St. Petersburg, Fla. Their daughter, Lois, drove them to Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Heness celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary Jan. 5.

We wish to express our sympathy to the family of the late Arthur Tredinnick.

The following folks are celebrating their birthdays in January—Norman Shannon, Taft Truska Jr., William Mann Sr., Mrs. Elwood Conden, Mrs. Fred Swanson, Joe Stredney Jr., and William Mann Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brodi, and Anna Magalski of Larksville, were recent callers at the Albert Armitage home.

# Misericordia Students Begin New Semester

College Misericordia will officially begin its spring semester Monday as students return to classes following holiday vacation. The students have been on semester break for nearly four weeks.

The semester break at College Misericordia was longer this year than in previous years as the college recently adopted a 4-4 plan for classes. Under the plan, the students attend classes for four months, have a month semester break, and continue with a four month long spring semester. One of the advantages of the program is that finals are completed before the vacation period. When students return, they immediately begin the new semester.

Extension division classes at the college will also begin Monday with the first class meeting at 6 p.m. Extension classes scheduled prior to that period will not be held, according to Sister Mary Eloise McGinty, RSM, Registrar. Tuesday's extension classes will be held as scheduled, she said.

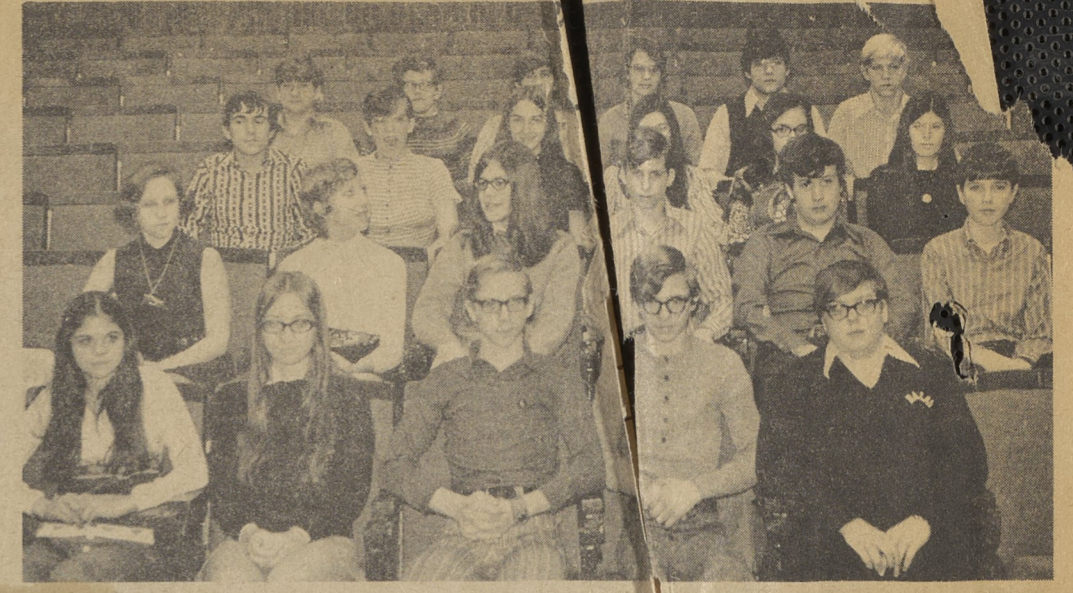
The spring semester at College Misericordia will end May 17. Graduation ceremonies have been scheduled for May 21.

# Senior Citizens Plan Valentine Luncheon And New York Trip

Emerson Perrine, district manager of Social Security Administration, was guest speaker at the Jan. 10 meeting of the Back Mountain Senior Citizens Club at College Misericordia. Mr. Perrine spoke on Medicare and Social Security and held a question and answer period afterward.

The club discussed plans for the upcoming trip to New York to attend the Easter pageant.

A luncheon will be held Feb. 14 at the Franklin Tea Room, Shavertown. Emeret Franklin has offered to serve lunch for a very reasonable sum. Anyone interested in attending the luncheon should contact Caroline Caperoon, Franklin Street, Dallas, before Feb. 7.



Twenty-six ninth grade students of Dallas Junior High School qualified for certificates as the result of their performances on the NEDT. They are pictured above, left to right, first row: Margaret Hoidra, Carol Szczechowicz, Ronald Robinson, Brian Nichols, John Kraack. Second row: Karen Carey, Dorothea Anthony, Suzann LaBerge, Jeffrey Dickson, Robert Hughes, Jeffrey Odell. Third row: William Barber, Leslie Goeringer, Trudy Connor, Susan Richards, Maureen Dexter, Megan Davis. Fourth row: Phillip Miller, David Casselberry, Charles Nicol, Roger Sheehan, Frederick Schulze, David Fritzges. Absent from photo: Karen Aicher, Paulette Albosta, David Celmer.

# Dallas Junior High Students Cited

Cited for superior performance on the National Educational Development Tests, according to John F. Rosser, principal, were 102 Dallas Junior High students.

Twenty-six ninth grade students qualified for Certificates of Educational Development as the result of their outstanding performances. These certificates are awarded to students whose composite scores are in the top 10 percent of their grades nationally.

Forty-two eighth grade and 34 seventh grade students also qualified for the certificates.

The NEDT offers an impartial estimate of educational development and provides information useful for present appraisal and future planning. The NEDT battery consists of tests in English usage; mathematics usage, social studies reading and word usage.

Recipients of certificates are: Dorothea Anthony, Karen Aicher, Paulette Albosta, David

Celmer, William Barber, Karen Nagle, Gary Ostrum, James Carey, Trudy Connor, Jeffrey Riefenstahl, Therese Roman, Dickson, Megan Davis, Susan Sorber, Martha Spears, Maureen Dexter, David Richard Spencer, Judith Stroh, Casselberry, David Fritzges, Jeff Supulski, Patricia Sutton, Leslie Goeringer, Margaret James Swepton, Thomas Hoidra, Robert Hughes, Swingle, Mary Szczechowicz, Suzanne LaBerge, Phillip Diana Tabbitt, Debra Thompson, Brian Nichols, Charles Diana Tabbitt, Debra Thompson, Carolyn Thrasher, George Weaver, Michele Wilson.

Seventh grade: Wendy Icher, Daniel Albert, Diane anony, William Bispels, Kim onawitz, Roberta Bonning, eanor Ehrhorn, Pamela Ellis, Jura Enslin, Colleen Gries, Ben Grossman, Joan Hrison, James Howell, M. Eward Johnson, Robert Jonson, Morgan Jones, Shben Jones, Mary Kleeber, Cal Kreidler, Daniel Menges, Pat Phillips, Stephen Porter, Dera Prater, Trenise Ricardson, Abby Rodda, Donald Schalk, Carol Sheldon, Ellen Sherman, Steven Skamer, Bonita Key, Craig Ston, Sue Thornton, Patricia Wads, Tommy Youells.

Certificate winners in the eighth grade are: Karen Barna, Betty Bridger, Scott Bytheway, Lynn Cleaver, Edward Corcoran, Clyde Davis, David Dierolf, Edward Dymond, Edward Farrar, Eric Gillis, John Hannigan, Donna Heidel, William Heist, Jeffrey Hopper, Valerie Jones, Colette Kashuboski, Irene Lucas, Thomas MacAvoy, Jayne McGough, Sean Moran, Paul Moran, Dawn Morgan, Linda Parker, Sally Porter, Bruce

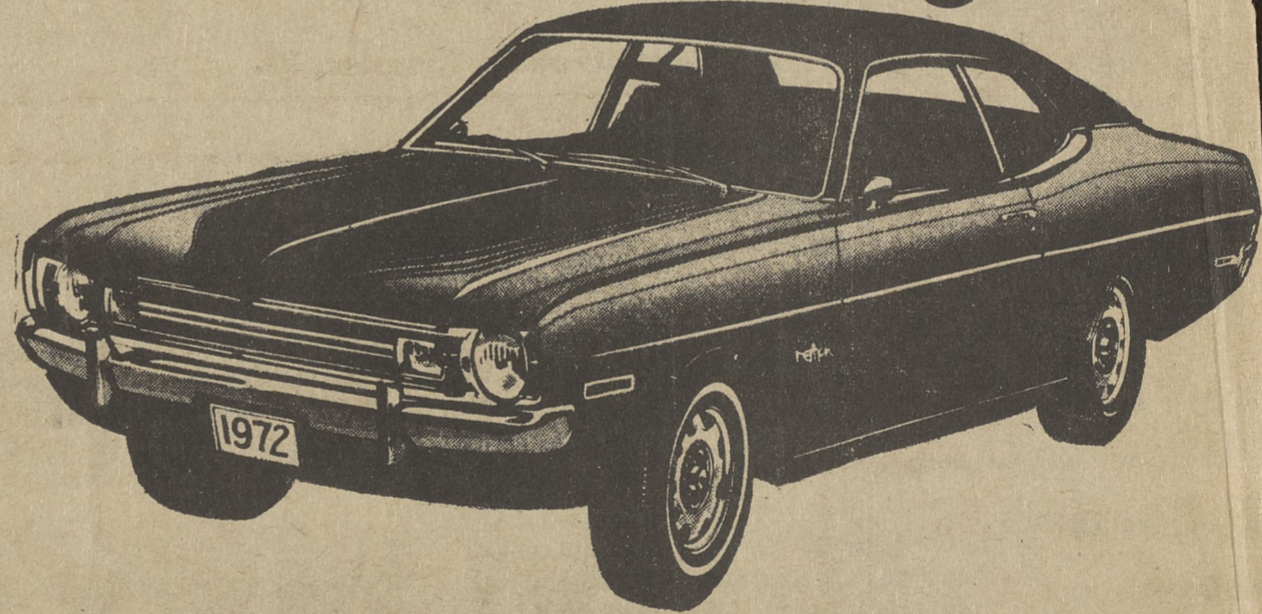
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