

Only yesterday

40 years ago - May 3, 1935

The 51st annual convention of Luzerne County Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held today in the Dallas U.M. Church.

A charter was granted to the Dallas Post of the American Legion at a meeting of the committee on Monday night.

Elwood Conden, Lillian Spencer, Alberta Hofmeister, Charles Birton, Jack Edwards, Leon Austin, Marie Keifer and Alice Eipper are named as members of the cast of Dallas Township High School's presentation "Listen to Leon."

Henry Disque was named president of the Dallas All-Stars Quilt Club at an organization meeting held this week.

Rev. J.J. O'Leary, pastor of St. Tehrese's Church, Shavertown will be received by a gala reception in his honor on his return from Florida.

Russell Weaver will be the scoutmaster of the new troop to be formed at Trucksville M.E. Church.

You could get—Two dozen bakery raisin, sugar, spice cookies, 25 cents; three cans of applesauce, 25 cents; two heads of lettuce, 17 cents; a quart basket of strawberries, 19 cents; chocolate syrup, three cans, 25 cents and 18 x33 window screens, 35 cents each.

30 years ago - May 4, 1945

Starting next Tuesday afternoon, volunteer workers will be at Dallas Borough, Dallas Township and Leh-

man Township high schools each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon during May to aid housewives to fill out applications for canning sugar.

The Back Mountain region was represented at the second session of the San Francisco conference by Jack L. Ruggles A.R.T. 1-c, Lehman.

Rev. Russel Edmondson will be installed as pastor of the Shavertown Bible Church, Sunday afternoon.

More than 90 people attended the covered dish supper and reception honoring Rev. and Mrs. Charles H. Gilbert. Rev. Gilbert is beginning his 10th year as pastor of the Carverton, Mt. Zion and Orange circuit.

Fred W. Malkemes will be toastmaster at the 20th anniversary banquet Wednesday for St. Paul's Methodist Church.

T-Sgt. Joseph Girvan, Dallas, has returned to the United States from Italy.

S-Sgt. Raymond Kuderka, Vernon, has been liberated by the American army after being reported missing in action December 25.

Married - Marion Dover and S-Sgt. A.J. Kisailus.

Death in service - Major Talcott Wainwright, Shavertown.

Playing at local theaters - "Laura" with Gene Tierney, Dana Andrews and Clifton Webb and "Polo Joe" with Joe E. Brown and Skeets Gallagher.

You could get - Tomato juice, 46 oz. can, 22 cents; green onions, large

bunch, 5 cents; ring balogna, 33 cents a pound; writing paper, 25 cents a box; coffee, 2 lbs., 47 cents and two bushels of peat moss, one dollar.

20 years ago - May 6, 1955

There were 16 cancellations of permission to receive the Salk vaccine at DallasBorough - Kingston Township schools, and 18 postponements and 21 absentees on the day of shots bringing the total number of inoculated first and second graders to 160.

The U.S. government as represented by the Air Force has selected Dallas Borough as an ideal location for the erection of nine housing units at a cost of \$16,000 each for its officer personnel of the Red Rock Air Force Base.

Little League president Charles Steinhauer announces that the 1955 season will open June 1 in line with the closing of school.

Permits were issued to Dale Parry, service station, and Anthony Acerese, restaurant, at Tuesday's meeting of the Dallas Borough council.

School children and little league players have been barred for three weeks "for the sake of obtaining a thick sod on the Shavertown elementary school playground".

Jeanne Casterline, Marcia Elston, Alice Ide, Grace Major, Edith Mazonkey and Nancy Williams have been named as candidates for the Queen of the May at Lehman-Jackson-Ross High School.

Ellen Walsh will reign as Queen of the May at Dallas-Franklin May Day. Married - Nancy Dymond and Calvin Crane, Florence Disque and Charles Kishbaugh and Barbara Hess and Laurence Robbins.

Deaths - Mary Rowlands, Trucks-

ville. At local theaters - "Young at Heart," Doris Day and Frank Sinatra; and "Black Widow," Ginger Rogers, Van Heflin and George Raft.

You could get - Clam chowder, 33 cents a pint; clams, \$1.85 per hundred; cinnamon rolls, 21 cents for an eight oz. pkg.; sweet corn, six lg. ears, 29 cents; ice cream, 79 cents for a half gallon and six, one pound cans of dog food, 85 cents.

10 years ago - May 6, 1965

Nette Krog Larson, Linda Piatt, Sandy Stille, Joan Mekeel, Mary Pamela Raklewicz and Shirley Disque are candidates for May Queen at Lake-Lehman.

Assistant Police Chief Walbridge Leinthal was named to replace Edgar Hughes as Police Chief of Lake Township.

Laying of the cornerstone at Trinity United Presbyterian Church last Sunday followed close upon the opening of the new edifice on Easter Sunday.

F. Raymond Searfoss was honored on Sunday for 57 years of service in the Lehman Methodist Church.

Arnold Garinger was recently appointed assistant principal of the Valley Forge Junior High School.

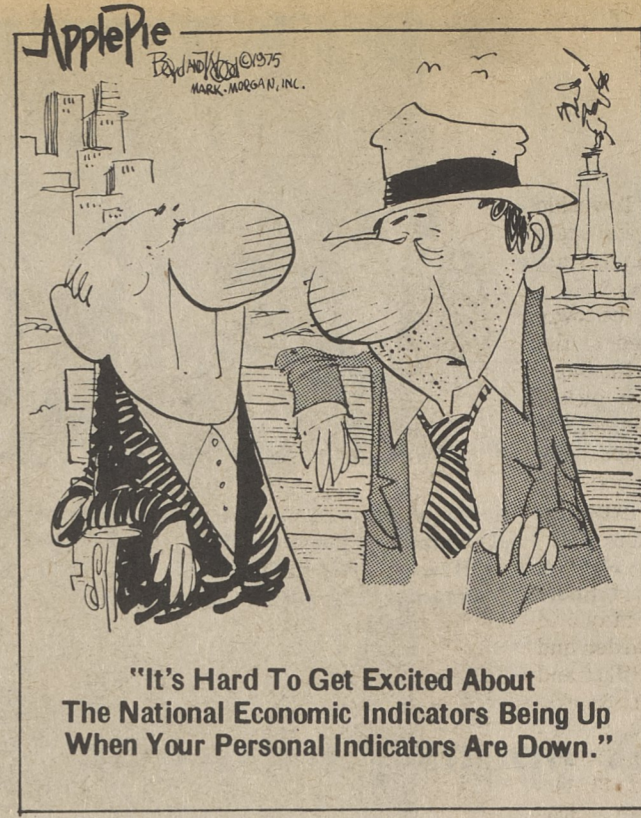
Robert Parry, chairman of fundraising for Dallas Kiwanis Club, announced completion of plans for a spaghetti supper at Dallas Senior High, May 15.

Engaged - Shirley L. Levan to William R. Lohmann.

Married - Susan Lavery and Ernest Harris.

Deaths - Ella Henninger, Shavertown, Wrighter Benscoter, Hunlock Township; Grace Van Nortwick, Dallas and Ward Jacquish, Oak Hill.

You could get - Luncheon meat, 49 cents a pound; facial tissue, four pkgs. of 400, 99 cents; cake mixes, three for 89 cents; canned hams, 69 cents a pound; fresh orange juice, 75 cents a half gallon and peppercorn, 99 cents a pound.



EDITORIAL

Vested interests...

"A newspaper must avoid both impropriety and the appearance of impropriety, conflict of interest and the appearance thereof. Promotion of any interest contrary to the general welfare, for whatever reason, is not honest journalism. Newspapers and newspaper people should accept nothing or pursue activities which might compromise or seem to compromise their integrity."

That's the way a basic principle of the ethics of journalism was proposed to the American Society of Newspaper Editors during their April meeting; and it's a stand this newspaper supports.

In the pre-election season and during normal times, a community newspaper must maintain an "above reproach" position if its credibility is to be maintained. For this reason we

PUBLISHERS NOTE

No 'virtue in size'

"There's no virtue in size," my boss used to tell me. At the time we were concerned with the public understanding of one of the nation's largest manufacturers, and it was often a temptation to try to get an editor's attention with a superlative merited by the company's dominance of the industry.

Of course what he meant to say was "there is no (inherent) virtue in size," a point we have come to realize in the operations of this newspaper.

It is our intent to build the newspaper on a foundation of the business available to us. Since income from subscribers and readers pays only the costs of contract printing and distribution of the papers, the size of the newspaper actually depends on the advertising in a given issue. The

keep advertising and news departments separate and, most importantly, avoid situations which would even "appear" to be conflicts of interest.

No editorial employee of this newspaper is in any way seeking or involved in public office or partisan politics. The newspaper has no ties with any political party or partisan group. The new owners of the paper are not acquainted with or in anyway obliged to the former owners, including William Scranton—a prominent Pennsylvania politician, or anyone else.

As a matter of fact, we enjoy no "clout" in either Harrisburg or in the local county seat. We feel entirely free to call the political situation as we see it.

And we will continue to work to merit your trust and confidence.

Ray Carlsen

By Rev. Charles H. Gilbert

My typewriter talks

The greeting card business must be colossal. What a job it is to edge one's way into the crowd of people trying to pick out just the right one to send a friend. I like them, I mean I like to get them. I don't like picking them out! Most of the verses people select to send me I like, some more than others. But I am always interested, and joyfully so, in the personal messages the writer adds to the printed verse. There was one card that had me guessing; there were two "e's" and a "d" that I could make out. I figured that his secretary must have addressed the envelope, for that was written with great care and precision (I have seen that addressing before!) and the letter was cancelled with a Postal Service number (and I have seen that number before!); moreover the postage was a metered stamping. Don't mistake, me I have never had many signatures from him, but I do appreciate getting one on my 84th birthday!

But about greeting cards in general: I read them and take them to myself, with the meaning in them. They are mostly affirmations of good will, and if perchance they are humorous I know they are well-meant. For years I have been studying the use of affirmations as character-building tools. And it, the affirmations, I have found useful as a method of prayer. The Bible is full of them, and they are free to be used as the Bible intends them to be. There are affirmations of healing power

which Jesus used. "Your faith has saved you!" Sometimes the word "saved" is used, or at least meant, instead of "healed", with all the good wrapped up in it. I have used the Bible affirmations many times and continue doing so. Benedictions are also affirmations, prayers for good, silently or aloud bringing God's power into it.

I like this idea of having so many affirmations of good being sent in my direction. That busy executive that takes as little time as possible to put his signature on a letter, he doesn't want to be cluttered up too much with details. But he has one of the finest secretaries in Wyoming Valley, and he knows it and trusts her to take care of the minutia of business. She does. She is trustworthy. He is the same.

There are other affirmations that some write into greeting cards regardless of the season, but the season gives them a good occasion or excuse, perhaps, to formulate the words they want to use; words they actually mean for me. There are certain characteristics of these personally composed messages to me. At first I used to try to be modest about them and say, "Aw, they don't really mean that I'm all that wonderful, which I think I'm not." Then when people began saying nice things to my face (and I really wished they could be true!) I would say, "Well, it is greatly exaggerated, but I love it anyway!" And then I thought about what I had been taught about the worth of affirmations of good.

Whether these friends knew it or not they were helping me to be the kind of person they were saying I was. My friends are actually helping me to be the kind of "aging" person I have hoped for many years I would be. I don't want to be a bitter and crabbed old clogger! But God knows I need lots of help. Not only are my friends helping me but I see how I can, by using affirmations of good, help other people. Younger people need help from us who are older. So I'll say to all my readers: "You are all such wonderful people. You are kind and thoughtful in every way. I am glad I know you that way!"

Auxiliary sells 2,148 hoagies

Mothers Auxiliary of the Orange-Centerville Little League held a very successful hoogie sale last Thursday at Centerville Methodist Church. A total of 2,148 hoagies were sold and proceeds of the sale will go towards a baseball trip to Veterans' Stadium, Philadelphia, next month when all Little Leaguers of that area will be guests.

Mrs. Richard Strazdus was co-chairman, assisted

by Mrs. Carol Montross, co-chairman, and Mrs. Joyce Hislop, co-ordinator. Phone tains were Mrs. Cathy Faux, Mrs. Doris Montross, Mrs. Betty Mokuich, Mrs. Ray Strazdus, Mrs. Cookie Wall and Mrs. Betty Bellas.

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Lake-Lehman school board candidates

Slimak commented that he felt "it will turn out all right." He said he felt the committee "is something the school district can use."

Slimak said he was running for reelection based on his 12 years experience. He said he has "served on every committee, is well-versed on the school" and is retired and therefore able to give "full time attention" to the position.

Mrs. Hrabowski, agreed with the other candidates that the MSA evaluation was fair. It was her opinion she said that the evaluation "sounded good."

The area dealing with teacher student communication was the area she felt most needed attention. She said she feels the board should look into why "there is this lack of rapport, and what can be done about it."

Mrs. Hrabowski agreed with the evaluation's statement that there is a lack of community involvement in the school district. She said it was her opinion that what was needed was more people "doing more things."

Mrs. Hrabowski said her solution to the lack of communication within the administration, board, staff, students

and community would be "to check more carefully the qualifications of the teachers, to see if they are really interested in the students."

She added that she felt greater communication could be established within the school system by allowing "more socializing between staff and board members, to get to know each other as people."

On the citizen's advisory committee, Mrs. Hrabowski commented that it was her belief that "it is not taken seriously enough." She said that it needs work, and public support, but she considers it "a good idea."

Mrs. Hrabowski decided to run for the board, she said, because she has "an honest interest in the system." She said she feels qualified by virtue of her work with the Northeast Educational INTERMEDIATE Unit and because she is "sincerely interested in all the kids, not just (her) own."

DeCesaris, when asked his opinion of the MSA evaluation, said he had a "mixed reaction." He said it was his opinion that the recommendations, "could have been more specific."

Citing as an example the statement

in the evaluation that says the district has a low cost per pupil in relation to other districts in the state, DeCesaris said the evaluation should have said why. He explained that the low cost could either mean that the district was spending its money wisely, or that it was not providing enough. He added that he thought the evaluation, "fair in general, just not specific enough."

DeCesaris said that it was his opinion that the area most needing change within the system was the academic portion. "The traditional three R's need improvement. There is a need for better course selection to come away from locking the student into one basic curriculum."

DeCesaris stated that he would "have to disagree" with the MSA lack of community involvement statement. He said it was his opinion that the MSA was given a "false impression" in the two and one half days they spent at the school. He said it was a "difficult thing for the MSA investigators to evaluate based on the little time they spent at the school."

DeCesaris said that he agrees that there is little interest in the schools on the part of those not directly involved by employment or children in the district. He attributed this to the low tax millage in the area.

DeCesaris said he feels that more participation at board meetings, as is currently encouraged by the board, and more direct communication between the staff, teachers and administration should be brought about. He said he would encourage teachers to participate more at the board meetings instead of going through the administration to open lines of communication.

DeCesaris said he felt it was the board's position to "establish policy", to gear the school's philosophy toward both academics and activities in the right proportion." He said he sees the board as serving this purpose, "staying out of the day-to-day administrative work of the school and in-

stead setting the policy and seeing that the administration carries it out."

DeCesaris, as a member of the citizen's advisory committee, said he is not yet sure, "just how effective the committee is." He said it is not receiving the "acceptance" by the parents it requires. He added that the committee has only had three meetings to judge from and acceptance may come as it goes on.

EeCesaris said he is seeking the board position because he feels well qualified by education, vocation and training and as a parent "concerned with the quality of education." He has been a professor for 21 years, and even though that is in the "college sector" of education he said he feels he has been in close touch with education as a whole.

He is also "by training and profession" a certified public accountant. He said he sees this type of business expertise as potentially beneficial to the board in bringing about a "better service for a better price."

Mark said he views the MSA, Education Quality Assessment as the benchmark from which the board and the citizen's advisory committee can work to improve the school district.

He said it was his opinion that the Lake-Lehman district "did not fare too well," in the report.

Mark said he feels the need for additional facilities, due to overcrowded conditions, is the first place that change is necessary within the district. He added that he felt there was room for improvement in upgrading the staff and in the overall school curriculum.

Mark said he feels the "lack of community interest" statement is "no longer true, although "it may have been at the time the report was made." Mark said he believes that since the January formation of the citizen's advisory committee, "there has been more input from the community as a group."

Mark said he "firmly" believes that

a dialogue must be developed between the different factions of the district. He said he is very much opposed to the present board requirement that persons attending their meetings sign a ledger stating "why they are there."

Mark said he felt people should not have to have a reason to attend. He said he thinks people should come to meetings for reasons other than specific "gripes or complaints."

As president of the citizen's advisory board, Mark says he sees their serving a greater purpose in the future. He said the group is there, "in an advisory capacity to help, not hinder the system." He said he feels the committee can be used in many ways toward the implementation of goals within the system.

Mark said he will seek the school board position based on his "maturity, stability and imagination." He said he has had a "diversity of experience based on his education and vocation as a psychologist." He added that he has a "vital interest in his community, its education, vocation and people."

Swim clinic

The Reverend Joseph P. Kelly, director of Camp St. Andrew, has announced that once again this year Camp St. Andrew will conduct a swim clinic, emphasizing training in competitive swim events.

During the week of June 22-27, boys and girls in grades 3-9 will receive specialized instruction in competitive swimming. James P. Higgins, athletic director at Bishop Hoban High School, Wilkes-Barre, will serve as clinic director.

Ambulance

DALLAS
April 16 - Auto accident, Upper Demunds Road, Dallas. Charles Cummings, RD 5, Shavertown, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: B. Bessecker, T. Carroll, H. Smith.
April 16 - Fire Support, Dallas View Trailer Park, not needed. Crew: E. Roth, Lois Disque RN, Ann Rowlands RN.
April 17 - Viola Prushinski, Woodcliff Drive, New Goss Manor, Dallas, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: J. Davies, D. Shaffer, Lois Disque RN, D. Bessecker, H. Smith, R. Cartier.
April 17 - Bomb scare, Dallas Senior High School, stand by. Crew: R. Cartier.
April 17 - Frank McGarry, 93 Main St., Dallas, to Mercy Hospital. Crew: J. Davies, Lois Disque RN, D. Bessecker.
April 19 - Ada Murdock, Lower Demunds Road, Dallas, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: T. Wright, Kay Wright, J. Davies.
April 20 - Auto fire on Bunker Hill, not needed. Crew: B. Bessecker, T. Carroll, D. Bessecker.
April 20 - Bike accident, Hildebrandt Road, not needed. Crew: B. Bessecker, T. Carroll, D. Bessecker.
April 20 - William Fredericks, 93 Center St., Shavertown, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: T. Wright, Ann Rowlands RN, L. Sheehan, S. Schramko, D. Carey.
April 21 - Auto accident, Routes 118 & 309 Intersection, Katherine Weriz, RD 2, Harveys Lake, Pasquale Cocchi, 125 Parry St., Luzerne, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: B. Bessecker, M. McFadden, S. Schramko.
April 21 - Jerry Miller, Main Road, Dallas, from brush fire. Lower Demunds Road, to Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Crew: B. Bessecker, K. Wright, L. Sheehan.

KUNKLE
April 9 - Ray Henney, RD 1, Dallas, not needed. Crew: Ted King, Larry Hilburt III, Jack Dodson.
April 14 - Auto accident, Kunkle-Alderson Road, no injuries. Crew: Jack Dodson, Larry Hilburt, Tom.

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