

FIREMEN'S DOG--The D.C. Roberts Fire Company's mascot, the big black and white Dalmation is a familiar sight at Harveys Lake as he rides with the firemen on the back of the truck. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)

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## Water authority

a workable solution."

Phil Walter, chairman of Dallas Township supervisors, is anti-"water authority" as long as another solution is possible. Walter considers an authority the last resort.

"I believe the companies are trying," said Walter, "in some instances, they might merge and save money but I believe in free enterprise as long as someone is willing to provide service at a low cost."

Walter believes that an authority sometimes can become too unwieldy and that members also refuse to listen to the people.

"If a quick decision is needed, they can't make it," he said.

He doesn't doubt that the water table is going down but believes that the lack of sufficient rain is a major factor. He also believes that the companies can find other sources such as Mountain Springs on top of Red Rock Mountain. He pointed out that the pressure would be great because the flow would be all

Walter also said that the cost would be prohibitive. He believes one solution is that the companies update their equipment because the underground pipe is too small for the number of consumers on a line.

"The cost is too high plus additional renovations would be exorbitant for the municipalities to undertake," said Walter. "State or federal funding is not easy to obtain. We're usually low on the priority list. If there is enough demand for water I believe the

companies can find it." Jerry Machell, president of Dallas Borough Council, agreed with the other municipal leaders that the taxpayers can't afford a water authority.

"The residents have all they can handle now," said Machell. "Years back, the subject came up and it was a question of which came first, the water or sewers. We had water but the sewers were a necessity so we went with the sewers.

"Two meetings were held about the water authority and I went to both of them. The second was at the high school and only a few people turned out for it. From that time all interest

Machell said that the borough has had very few problems with water service or pressure. He said those they did have were usually due to lines breaking or pump failure. He

also said that considerable grant help would be needed to develop such a

Machell agreed with Venable that surface water should be considered for water supply. He stated that there is ample water at Harveys Lake and Mountain Springs. He said he believed that there is a lot of water in the ground but it would take engineers to determine if this is so. He also believes that it would require an indepth study before any consideration could be given to a municipal water authority.

The administering of a Back Mountain Authority, if one ever became a reality would be determined by the involved municipalities. Dallas Area Municipal Authority, the sewer agency, is chartered to broadly enough to administer water supply as well as sewage but it need not be DAMA. Any agency agreed on by the municipal officials involved can secure the legal status necessary to act as a water authority.

But at the present time, the possibility of a water authority to solve Back Mountain water supply problems is very remote.

## Penn State Campus offers nostalgia films

the days when movies were movies and with no commericals is being offered in the Back Mountain. A six week film festival, open to the public, starts Wednesday night at the Wilkes-Barre Campus of Penn State located off Route 118 in Lehman.

The shows, sponsored by the student government association, range from Bogie to Marlon Brando to the best of the foreign films and come to you at the

A nostalgia trip back to same old-fashioned prices you used to pay. A season's pass costs five dollars, while individual tickets sell at the door for one dollar. Showtime is 8 p.m. at the auditorium in the Campus Lab Building. Kicking off the series

this week will be "On The Waterfront' casting Marlon Brando in his most powerful role as an exwater front tough who chooses to fight the system. Along the way he meets terror, Eva Marie Saint,

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Karl Malden, and Lee J. Cobb. This movie won eight Academy Awards including best picture, best actor, best female supporting role, best screenplay and best director.

"Black Orpheus" directed by Marcel Camus will be shown next Wednesday night, Sept. 28. A portrayal of life in the Rio slums, it won the Grand Prix at the 1959 Cannes Film Festival and the Academy Award for the best foreign film.

Humphrey Bogart heads the bill Oct. 12 in "African Queen," the great film classic based on C.S. Forester's novel. Bogie and Katherine Hepburn team complete with rollicking comedy and poignant romance set against a spectacular scenic background.

"Shoot The Piano Player" is the Oct. 19 film series presentation. This foreign film stars Charles Aznavour and is directed by Francois Truffant, who recently directed "Small Change." A half-thriller. half-parody, this is a movie where many wild and fanciful cinematic devices are used

One of the greatest Westerns ever made, "High Noon" starring Gary Cooper will be featured Oct. 25. A story of community cowardice and individual courage, it focuses on one man and his fight against a band of outlaws seeking revenge. The struggle of the marshal to get the town to help him, his personal commitment to his nonviolent wife and his eventual shootout with the killers provide the suspense which has made "High Noon" the classic of

Western dramas. "l'A vventura," Michelangelo Antoninoni's landmark of contemporary cinema will end the series Nov. 2. The story of Italy's idle rich is a provocative statement of modern society which established Antonioni as one of the leading directors of the

## 'sprucing up' up in a daring escape from In the near future, it looks as though the Germans in World War Meadowcrest will be getting a needed I via a dilapidated river steamer. Brilliantly After 45 minutes of lively discussion written, directed and acted this is an adventure story

on Friday evening, Kingston Township supervisors agreed to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Luzerne County Housing Authority. This agreement enables Meadowcrest to be taken over by HUD, allowing for a substantial fund to be designated for the project.

A former agreement which designated several paragraphs that were unacceptable to the supervisors was refused by HUD. When questioned as to why the application was refused. Charles Sechleer. executive director of the Luzerne County Housing Authority, explained that according to Ann Harrison, HUD solicitor, nothing on the HUD application may be adjusted in any

Therefore, a letter must be sent from both the Housing Authority and solicitor Ben Jones of Kingston Township along with the present application explaining that the supervisors want no responsibilities for street lights; garbage removal; sidewalks and curbs.

HUD funds will benefit the township in several ways. Under HUD jurisdiction the Housing Authority must put in sidewalks and shrubs; modernize the present septic system or hook up to DAMA; install and pay for street lights. This must be done at no expense to the township. If the township would continue to remove snow as in the past, they would paid to do so. They will also receive 10 per cent of the net adjusted rental, along with the present \$420 per year.

Kingston Township residents must receive first priority for apartments under HUD.



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