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**WALKO MEMORIAL**—Members of the Dallas American Legion joined by students, veterans, staff members, and former classmates of the late Pfc. Daniel S. Walko, dedicated the Veteran patio and bulletin board in his memory, Monday, at Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus. Walko, a graduate of the local campus, was killed on duty in Vietnam. Participants in the dedication were, left to

right, George W. Bierly, campus director; Dallas Legion commander Edward Lyons; Mrs. Linda Kittrick, Walko's sister; Mrs. Steven Walko, mother; Vice-commander Andrew Schlosser; Walko's father, Steven; Legion adjutant Tom Reese, and Bruce Davies, Dallas, former classmate of Walko's. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)

## WB Campus dedicates Walko memorial

A memorial to Daniel S. Walko graduate of Penn State's Wilkes-Barre Campus, with an associate degree in drafting and design technology, was dedicated Monday by members of the campus student body Veterans Club, faculty, and friends. Walko, who enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1969, was killed on duty in Vietnam, Aug. 8, 1970. Two classmates, William Kelly, Harveys Lake, and Bruce Davies, Dallas, spearheaded a drive for a veterans

patio and memorial bulletin board among the students, faculty, family and friends.

Members of the campus Veterans Club built a flagstone wall this past spring, flanking the patio and bulletin board.

The official dedication ceremony was conducted by Dallas American Legion Post Commander Edward Lyons, Vice Commander Andrew Schlosser, and Adjutant Tom Reese.

Bruce Davies presented the memorial to Campus director George W. Bierly.

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Walko, parents of Pfc. Walko, presented a memorial wreath and colored photo of their son. They also hosted a luncheon for dignitaries, former classmates, and teachers.

The Vets Club presented a bronze plaque to be attached to the bulletin board in memory of Walko.

## Jackson Twp. planners hear complaints on zoning proposal

by Joan Kingsbury

Portions of a newly proposed zoning ordinance proved unpopular with many residents at Monday's meeting of the Jackson Township Planning Commission.

The ordinance proposed for adoption must comply with the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Code and was financed in part through a planning grant from the Department of Community Affairs under the provisions of Act 8A. Marlene Pavlovski is the planning consultant.

Ms. Pavlovski explained that the ordinance is based on a comprehensive plan and sub-division ordinance which will be the subject of next Monday's meeting.

She noted that Articles 5, 6, 7 and 8 are of particular interest to township residents. Article 5 deals with establishment of districts. Article 6 concerns district regulation. Article 7 explains special exceptions. Conditional uses are dealt within Article 8.

The codes used on the proposed map were explained as follows. "S" represents a special district which indicates the State Correctional Institution and is to be used for strictly prison activities.

The conservation area is represented by the letter "C" which is to protect the township's natural resources. Single family dwellings are indicated by "R-1". Lots for this area must be a minimum of one acre. "R-2" indicates single and two family dwellings. "R-r" represents multiple family dwellings.

Neighborhood business districts, which are indicated in the area

around the Jackson Township Fire Hall and the Ceasetown area are represented by "B-1". "m" indicates the mining area in the township. "A" represents the agricultural area and is to protect all farm land. A minimum of 10 acres is required to be zoned agricultural.

The flood plain is designated by the Federal Flood Plan and indicates only the main and east fork of Harveys Creek.

The zoning of much of the former agricultural areas to R-1 upset many land owners. If this occurs livestock would not be allowed to be raised on that property. This would rule out horses for riding.

Mitch Wytowotch, township businessman, asked what would happen to his business since it would not be zoned in the proposed commercial districts. Ms. Pavlovski explained that an existing business may remain as it is. If the business would be sold, and would continue as before, this would also be acceptable.

If a fire destroys 40 per cent or less of the business it would be allowed to be restored. If the loss was more than 60 per cent any new building would have to revert to the proposed residential zoning for that area.

Attorney Fred Alcaro representing American Asphalt Paving Company complained that the mining area would be greatly reduced if the proposed map was accepted. The commission disagreed with this theory stating that the mining area is the same on the present map and the proposed map.

Alcaro then protested the fact that despite opposition from American Asphalt in 1976, new ordinances were

adopted which he felt were "too severe". John Fielding commission member, asked why written complaints were not filed with the commission at that time, within 10 days, which is the policy.

Alcaro requested a meeting with the planning commission, the supervisors and the township solicitor to discuss these and other complaints. Blythe Evans, solicitor, requested copies of maps Alcaro had used to dispute the size of the mining area. Alcaro agreed to provide copies of these maps.

Guy Lewellyn, chairman of the planning commission, instructed Alcaro and anyone else having complaints to file a written complaint within 10 days to secretary Chris Zbick. The planning commission will review and discuss all complaints submitted in this manner.

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## Shaffer warns about burning

Fire Chief Don Shaffer of the Dallas Fire Department reminds all residents of Dallas Borough that the borough has a burning ordinance.

Burning must be done in an approved container with nothing larger than half inch mesh screen covering. Violations are subject to fine and are enforceable by the Dallas Borough Police Department. There also may be no burning after dark.

Chief Shaffer also requests that residents of Dallas Township voluntarily adhere to the borough burning ordinance in order to prevent an epidemic of fires which are usually common at this time of year.

Dallas Fire and Ambulance Inc. serves both Dallas Borough and Dallas Township. In case of emergency call 675-1151.

## Candidates prepare for Nov. 8 school board elections here

by Estella Parker

Residents of the Back Mountain area are focusing their attention on the race for school director in the two local districts as Nov. 8, date of the general election draws near.

In the Dallas School District, active campaigning is underway by four candidates aspiring for the three vacancies on the board.

Incumbent candidates in the Dallas race are Mrs. Pat Gregory and Ernest Ashbridge. Basil Russin and Robert Chamberlain will be making their initial bids for the elected office.

Mrs. Gregory stated that she liked serving as a school director and felt that it was a "worthwhile community service". She also said that she had learned a lot about the job of being school director during her six year term.

She cited her six years of experience as being the most important qualification she has for re-

election. Mrs. Gregory said she believed that she can be judged on the job that she has done. Her special interest has been the transportation system and she feels that many improvements have been made.

Mrs. Gregory is concerned about the financial aspects of the school district. She feels that the district should provide as good an education as possible while holding the costs down.

Mrs. Gregory also would like to place a stronger emphasis on the elementary level of education. She stated that a "back to basics" approach would help to prevent the problems that develop on the high school level.

She said she would also like to improve the junior high school program in order to help seventh and eighth grade students cope better with the transition from the elementary level to the high school level.

Mrs. Gregory, a Trucksville resident, will be listed on both the Republican and Democratic tickets.

Incumbent School Board President Ernest Ashbridge will also be running for his second term. Ashbridge referred to his experience as an important aspect of his qualifications for the position. He stated that he feels it is important for the taxpayers to keep experienced people on the board in order to insure a continuity in the programs that have already been instituted.

Ashbridge pointed out that his 24 years of banking experience make him particularly aware of the problems of dealing with spiraling costs. He said he feels that the budget will require more time and thought in order to keep costs at a minimum.

Ashbridge's long-term goals include a re-examination of the administrative staff in order to determine its needs and organization

and a re-assessment of the curriculum on all levels with special consideration being given to the long range costs.

Ashbridge's daughter is a student at Dallas Senior High School and his son is a graduate of the school. Ashbridge resides in Shavertown and is running as a Republican.

Robert Chamberlain of Trucksville is campaigning for the first time. Chamberlain said he feels that a lot of things could be done that are not. He said he believes that the present school board does not always follow through on programs and he would like to see improvements made.

Chamberlain has been a Back Mountain resident all his life and is a graduate of Kingston Township School. He is currently serving as road superintendent in Kingston Township and has held this position for the last seven years.

Chamberlain said he believes that

the school district could save money by cutting back on unnecessary help and expenses.

He has two children in the high school and one in the elementary school. Chamberlain is a candidate on the Democratic ticket.

Basil Russin of Haddenfield Hills is also seeking office for the first time. Russin cited three primary reasons for his decision to run for the office. He believes that it is a civic responsibility and that he has the qualifications to do a "good and decent job" and the background appropriate for a school director.

Russin is a former teacher, having taught junior high school in New Jersey. At 31 years of age, Russin would be the youngest member of the board if he is elected. Russin feels that he can add youth to the board and offer a younger perspective on issues.

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## Ceremony marks health center dedication

Dedication ceremonies for the new Monroe-Noxen Health Center were held on Sunday. The new center sponsored by Rural Health Corporation of Northeastern Pennsylvania claims to provide medical and dental services to more than 5,000 residents of Wyoming County and the Back Mountain.

The ceremonies and open house were attended by several hundred people. Invocation was given by Reverend Gerry Tallent, Noxen. Steven R. Kafrisen, M.D. president of the board of directors of Rural Health Corporation served as master of ceremonies and outlined the role of the board of directors in improving the facilities and services of the corporation.

Immediate past president of the board, Robert Maskin, introduced the featured speakers. Speakers included Congressman Daniel J. Flood and State Secretary of Health, Dr. Leonard Bachman.

The speakers praised the board and staff members of Rural Health Corporation for their contributions to primary health care.

Congressman Flood outlined his commitment to the provision of adequate health care in his role as chairman of the House Appropriations Committee for Health, Education and Welfare.

Stanford L. Weiss, executive director of the corporation, remarked that "the new center will allow the corporation to offer improved services to be residents of the area." He outlined the history of the Noxen Center, which, in its old quarters, was the first of five health centers currently operated by Rural Health Corporation.

Honored during the ceremony were Edgar Engleman, board member of Rural Health Corporation and Beatrice Dymond, who owned the land on which the new center was built. A plaque honoring Engleman

for his dedicated service to the people of the area was placed in the building, as well as a plaque honoring Mrs. Dymond and her late husband and children.

Sharing the speakers' platform were State Representatives Frank O'Connell, Jr., Fred J. Shupnik and Carmel Sirianni. Monroe-Noxen's representatives to Rural Health Corporation's board of directors, Attorney Paul R. Mahler, Ruth McHenry, R.N., David Harris and Dr. Byron Myers and architect Gotfried Csala were also introduced to the gathering.

Dr. Kafrisen invited those attending to tour the facility and pointed out features of the building that would improve patient care. He noted the new pharmacy that will be open to the public, a modern and complete inventory of medical and dental equipment, laboratory facilities and designs for patient comfort and privacy.



**ORIGINAL RIBBON CUTTING**—The new Rural Health Center was formally dedicated last Sunday and was officially dedicated with two ribbon cuttings. The first was before the arrival of the Hon. Daniel Flood and the second cutting was after he arrived. Participants in the original cutting are left to right, Stanford Weiss, Beatrice

Dymond, former owner of the land where Center is located; Robert Maskin, immediate past president; Dr. Steven Kafrisen, president of Rural Health; and Dr. Leonard Bachman, state secretary of health. Two of the many spectators at the ceremonies are at the extreme left.