OFF TO DISTRICTS-Nine Dallas students will go to District Chorus at Abington Heights this weekend. First row, left to right, are Cindy Steinkirschner, Wendy Baird, Lisa Luksic, Julie Baird; second row, Steven Vrabel, Stephen Schwartz, Rob Robinson; third row, Ken Hillard, Nathan Faut. (Photo by Charlot M. Denmon)

Back Country Briefs

Friends of Mrs. Mary Mitchell of Culver Hill will be glad to learn she came home from Wilkes-Barre General Hospital last week and her condition at presstime was reported as good.

Scores of friends and neighbors turned out Sunday for the open house held at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church Sunday afternoon honoring Mrs. Blanche Lewis of Mount Zion, who observed her 80th birthday anniversary

Friends of Willard Smith of Mt. Zion will be pleased to learn that he came home on Friday from Nesbitt Hospital in Kingston, and his condition at presstime was reported as good.

Council on Ministries of the Carverton United Methodist Charge will meet Monday night at 7:30 at Carverton United Methodist Church.

A meeting of the Administrative boards of the Carverton UM Charge will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 at Mt. Zion UM Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Husband of Centermoreland, were among area folk, who attended the swearing in ceremonies at Harrisburg when Senator

Frank O'Connell of Kingston was sworn in as a member of the state Senate. Husband is chairman of the board of supervisors of Northmoreland Township.

Clarence Corby, another member of the board of supervisors of Northmoreland Township, also attended the O'Connell swearing in ceremonies in Harrisburg on Jan. 2 and enjoyed the trip. The day after - on Jan. 3 - Clarence slipped on an ice patch in the driveway of the Corby residence in Centermoreland and suffered a fracture of the ankle. He had the fracture reset at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and is presently recuperating at home. He will be laid up about eight weeks.

Attempts are being made to offer a standard first aid course to residents of Franklin and Northmoreland Townships if enough residents of those areas show an interest in taking the course. The course will in all probability be given in March. Persons interested in taking the course are asked to make their wishes known by calling either Don Searfoss at 333-4837 or Clarence Schoonover at 333-4932.

Young Bob Coolbaugh, son of Mrs. and Mrs. George Coolbaugh, is coming along nicely from injuries received in an automobile accident back on Dec. 10. Bob had x-rays taken Monday at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital and the results were satisfactory although he will continue recuperating at home.

Berean Class of Northmoreland Baptist Church will be guests of members of the Senior Teens Class home of Rev. and Mrs. James May in Lockville. Group is asked to meet at 5 and bring sleds and toboggans in the event of snowfall.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shiber of Centermoreland have announced the birth of a son, Jason William, in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital on Sunday, Jan. 7. Mrs. Shiber and the youngster are at home and coming along nicely. Jason weighed in at eight pounds, three ounces. The Shibers also have a daughter, seven year old Karen. Mrs. Shiber is the former Miss Christine Wisnewski, daughter of Mrs. Helen Wisnewski of Dallas. Mr. Shiber is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shiber of Wilkes-Barre

Friends of Mrs. Malcolm (Eudora) Baird of Sutton Creek Road will be glad to learn her condition at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital shows much improvement following surgery Birthday greetings are

extended to Catherine Berti, who observed her anniversary on Friday; Kristan Joy Hardisky, who marked her anniversary on Saturday; Melvina Scott and Steve Schramko, who celebrated their birthdays on Monday; Melvin Morris, Sr. and Carol Kristan, whose birthdays were observed on Tuesday, and Reuel Lasher, who observed his birthday anniversary yesterday.

Looking ahead, we extend birthday wishes to Michele Joy Lamoreaux and Verna Lee Wagner, who will observe birthdays tomorrow; Megan Beth Hardisky, who will observe her birthday on Saturday;

niversaries on Sunday; Ann Barlow, who will move up a year on Tuesday, and Marilla Stanton, who will observe her birthday anniversary on Wednesday All are from the

East Dallas area. In the Mount Zion area, birthday greetings are extended to Nicole Gaughan, who will observe her birthday on Saturday; Michelle Jevin, whose birthday will be observed on Sunday, and to Carole G. Conklin and Charles Perry, who will observe their birthdays on Wednesday

Mrs. Betty Bellas of Centermoreland; Mr. and Mrs. Elton Brace of Demunds Road, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kunkle and their son, Mark Kunkle, were among area folk, who attended the recent swearing in ceremonies of Senator Frank O'Connell in Harrisburg. Mark is a member of Senator O'Connell's staff.

Bowman Creek Lions plan dinner

Bowmans Creek Lion Club will sponsor a benefi spaghetti supper at St Luke's Lutheran Church Hall in Noxen on St Patrick's Day, Saturday March 17. Serving will be from 5 to 8 p.m. Proceeds of the benefit dinner will go into the club's fund for community improvements. Club is composed of members from the Beaumont-Noxen.

Ron Naylor, president, has announced the appointment of the following general committee to handle arrangements for the dinner: chairman, Charles Smith; Earl Crispell, Clinton Kyttle, Warren Johnson, Joohannus Anderson, Robert Belles, Connie Higgins, Robert Shilanskis, Calvin Strohl, Stanley Rygelski and Charles Mitchell.

'Keeping my throat warm...

by the Rev. Charles H. Gilbert

Last week, about the time I should normally have been writing my column, we got word that niece Ruth Ming and her son Ron were driving down from Albany, N.Y. for a visit. I'm sure I have written before about the little baby daughter of my new boss when I went to work on the farm as a teen-ager.

She was named for her mother's youngest sister who eventually became my wife, and that's how I became that baby's "Uncle Charlie" instead of simply "Charlie the hired man." (Later on somebody decided that lacked the proper dignity for my ministerial position, and I became "Uncle Charles" to that part of the

make such a long trip in the dead of grandfather Hiram Gilbert in a photo furniture re-arranging and some other odd jobs, so she couldn't get at retyping my column until Monday. And then the weather was so bad that we even cancelled my appointment with Dr. Gelb, which meant that Tuesday morning I had two appointments, one for my feet and one for the rest of me.

Saturday morning we had two were coming, with the decision to try it in spite of the forecast for freezing rain for their return trip on Sunday. monthly shot from the doctor. He says They arrived earlier than we ex- .I'm in pretty good shape, provided I

pected and we had a wonderful visit. For supper we decided they should

try the beautiful new restaurant in Dallas (which is a famous town to them because of the Dallas Post!) instead of the one at the motel over on the highway where they were staying. We knew Ron was especially fond of salads, and we all had something called an "Un-quiche", which was so filling nobody had room for dessert.

Sunday afternoon about one we had a phone call that they had reached home about 11 a.m. They had left the motel at 6 and missed most of the bad

People who haven't seen me for a while sometimes exclaim, "You're as to sour house, you could sit in my not growing a beard, are you!" My reply is, that I'm not doing a thing Anyway, it's always a delightful about it, just letting it happen. I've occasion when such special folks can often wondered if I would look like my winter for just a short visit, and Cathy taken when he was 80, if I should let was busy doing some cleaning and mine grow, and of course there's only one way to find out.

It should eventually help to keep my throat warm. It has reached the point now, after about four weeks, where it really shows that I'm letting my beard grow, instead of just forgetting to shave. Grandpa's face looks much rounder than mine so far, but his beard was much fuller.

The cold weather does bother me phone calls from Albany regarding now much more than when I was our weather and whether or not they younger. But I have nice warm clothes and scarves and turtlenecks to keep me warm, and have had my

don't step out in front of a car.

One problem I do suffer from every winter is getting cracks in the ends of my fingers around the nails. I have wondered how these pretty ladies with long handsome fingernails ever manage with typewriter keys.

The problem with me about typing is a matter of the necessity for communication, not only across the world in general, but from me to you. Speech is not always practical, especially at a distance. Sometimes my "tin ear" doesn't always hear words as they are said, particularly on the telephone. But one must try to communicate. And if you should come mother's rocking chair which is now in the living room.

Part of our furniture shifting includes putting more straight chairs in the living room because the Allelujahs practice here now during the cold weather, and Cathy thinks they sing better -- also have room for more -with straight chairs. Kynarion is so delighted when they arrive, and some of them know how to escort her up to the bedroom or behind the desk in my study and close the "gate" so she won't interrupt rehearsal.

The cats, of course, can take it or leave it without any excitement at all. Twink and Goldenrod generally retreat with dignity, but Snow spent the entire hour last week on the sofa among the sopranos; he wasn't permitted to join them on Sunday,

Bill Wagner, Susan Edwards and Matthew Cybulski, who will observe tomorrow evening at the their birthday an-FLAGSTONE HOUSE Restaurant & Cocktail Lounge Sunset, Harveys Lake 639-9998 Specializing in Steaks, Chops & Seafood Every Wed. & Fri. 6 to 8 oz.

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Police Reports

Boy injured

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A 14-year-old boy was treated at and released from Nesbitt Hospital Saturday after he was struck by a car along Lower Demunds Rd. while walking a horse.

Dallas Township Police say that Ronald Morgan, RD 6, Dallas, was walking the horse along the road when he was hit by a car operated by Elizabeth Spencer, RD 3, Dallas.

Spencer told police she could not get around the boy and horse because of oncoming traffic and slid when she tried to stop.

Chain reaction

An accident involving three parked and unattended trucks took place last Tuesday when one truck ran away and struck two more in the lot behind the United Penn Bank, Main St., Dallas.

According to Dallas Borough Police, a borough employee parked the municipal 1977 Ford truck on borough property near the cinder pile close to the borough building when suddenly he noticed that it was running away downhill into the United Penn lot.

The employee reportedly ran after the truck and tried to halt it but could not.

It struck a 1975 Dodge truck belonging to Eugene Kocher, Box 141, Dallas, and pushed it into a 1973 Dodge truck belonging to George and Shirley Cave, 11 Monroe Ave., Dallas.

The Kocher vehicle was towed from the scene. Investigating was Chief Edward Lyons.

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Superbowl

--Our Super Bowl prediction is the Cowboys on a hunch, but they've got to first contain Franco Harris and put pressure on Terry Bradshaw. That's easier said than done. When Steelers beat Cowboys three years ago most of the guys playing today were only rookies and could be all she wrote. Roger Staubach must be on target. We're curious to see if Steelers blocking corps can handle Cowboys defensive front which isn't an easy task. Our prediction is Cowboys, 27-24?

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