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ANY CHANCE THAT

SKYLAB COULD FALL

Umpires needed

I can't believe in a community this size that we can't

support Back Mountain Girls' Softball with enough in-

terested volunteers to supply umpires during the week for

I saw how this community rushed to the aid of those

from the Valley when Agnes struck in 1972, I have seen the

support given to the Memorial Library Auction, and the

Volunteer Firemen's and Ambulance Associations, now is

the time to come to the aid of the young women of our own

Join me on Sunday, June 10, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Back

Mountain Little League Baseball field for an umpiring

orientation or call John Bergevin at 675-0789 if interested.

Season ends July 12, so hurry and sign up now.

ON TED KENNEDY?

by L.D. Burnham

I am standing in front of a gas pump. Its glass face is crusted with dirt. Its hose is rotting, its once shining chrome, dull and pitted. The station is deserted, its roof sagging, the door flapping open anr closed in the breeze.

Why does this gas station resemble a Hollywood ghost town set? What is happening here? Why would someone abandon a once profitable business? All this and more, this week in "Sixteen Inches."

One might first conclude that this business folded because of a gas shortage. But this is not the case. There is plenty of gas. The problem is that there is no need to go anywhere, and therfore, no need to use gas. Why this lack of travel? The answer: a beer shortage.

The United States is drying up and staying home. Experts say they warned of this "dry up" years ago. They warned that if we failed to slow down our guzzling, the day would come when there would be no more beer. As it looks, that day may be very

In the meantime, the lines to purchase beer grow longer and longer. Some say the \$10 six pack may soon be a reality.

"Sixteen Inches" traveled to Washington to find out the reasons for the dilemma. We asked the director of frothy affairs about the situation.

'The problem is many-fold," he told us. "We have grown too dependent on imported beers. This has kept our American breweries from attempting to develop new resources. We also began exporting too much of our domestic supplies to the Arabs. It's very dry and sandy in the Arab nations. They proved to be avid beer drinkers. Of course you know about the Froth-Crude agreement which significantly lowered oil prices in exchange for reasonable beer prices."

So the beer crunch is not only affecting our country but countries around the world. English pubs have been closed on Saturdays, and Ireland reports a rush on its whiskey supply.

We asked the director if there were other factors involved in the skyrocketing prices of beer. To this he said, "The light beer innovation of

years ago has hurt. For one, many people, especially women, who shied away from the fattening regular beer, became light beer lushes. That and the very expensive processing of the lights has left us in a bad position. We can expect light beer prices to increase at a much faster rate than the regular beer.'

The beer shortage is doing more than affecting the sobriety of Americans. "It's destroying the economy!" the director said. "The United States has a beer-oriented economy.

What he means is this: So many of

the so-called good old American institutions orbit around beer consumption. Summer picnics, sports, hotel and motel businesses, social affairs, college weekends, holidays-all provide millions annually in beer purchases.

Millions, that is, until now. We have what the director calls "a six-pack economy." And, according to the director, we're down to our last can.

So what can be done? "Rationing is the only way," says the director. He proposes an odd-even rationing system based on date of birth. He also proposes purchase limits and short

"The rationing will help," he states. "But what it comes down to is that Americans are going to have to pull their shirts over their bellies and cut back. We simply have to conserve our national resources.

Another shortage hoax or a genuine crisis? No one seems to know for sure. In the meantime, beer lines grow longer and America's beer drinkers are losing their heads.

Thanks for reading. I'm Burnham. And this is "Sixteen Inches."

Comment & Opinion



ANTI-NUCLEAR PANEL-Back Mountain residents participated as panel members in a recent anti-nuclear meeting in Wilkes-Barre. Left to right are Jerry Schultz, Dr. Gerald Reisinger and C. Miller. (Photo by Phyllis

two games a night.

Back Mountain community.

Dallas rated high in home construction

50 years ago - June 15, 1929

LETTER

Dear Sir.

Field day and picnic program given by Dallas Township Schools attract many parents and students.

Dallas Methodist Church celebrates

its 40th anniversary with a chicken dinner and special program. Dallas Rotary Anns entertain Wilkes-Barre Ladies of Rotary at

Colonial Inn. New swimming pool at Irem

Temple Country Club nears completion and is expected to be ready early in July. Beaumont trounces Dallas in fast 4-

3 game giving each team one win in their two meets this summer. Now playing at the local theatres--

'The Patriot', Himmler Theatre; 'Sunset Pass'', Jack Holt, Marinos Deaths--E.G. Stevens, Dallas, who

owned and operated Raub Hotel for 18 Engaged-Barbara Lois Keifer to

Lewis S. Wolfe.

You could get-butter 51c lb.; coffee 53c lb.; flour 24-lb. \$1.10; bread 11c loaf; apple butter 23c qt.

40 years ago - June 9, 1939

William Carson, FHA official tells local business and community leaders that Dallas is unsurpased as place for new home construction and has one of the highest ratings with the Federal Housing Administration of any section of Luzerne County.

John P. Bergevin

Crosswell Drilling Company is in its fith week of drilling operations for a new deep well for Dallas Water

Haveys Lake has been chosen for the National Long Distance Swimming meets to be held the latter part

Engaged--Eleanor LaBar Machell to William Austin Brickell; Margaret Hill to Richard Trout. Married--Mary Fedor and Rev. Guy

Dallas Arrows dropped to third place last Sunday when Carverton handed them a severe set-back 15-7. Now playing at local theatres--'Oklahoma Kid'', James Cagney, Himmler Theatre.

Rev. Charles H. Gilbert will preach at Kingston Township Baccalaureate

Sunday afternoon in the school auditorium.

You could get--Chuck roast 17c lb.; pork butts 19c lb.; tea 1/4-lb. pkg. 13c; Ritz crackers 20c lb; bread 2 lvs. 19c; Camay soap 3 bars 20c; Rinso 2 big pkgs. 37c; onions 4 lbs. 10c; watermelons 69c each; tomatoes 2 lbs. 19c.

30 years ago - June 10, 1949

Dallas Methodist Church is observing its 60th anniversary this week. Twenty four pastors have served the church during the 60 years. Reese E. Pelton is appointed as English teacher in the senior high school by the Dallas Township School

Back Mountain Playground and Park Association hopes to have the 3.6 acre plot in goss Manor completed as

a park by July 4. Now playing at local theatres-"Who Done It", Abbott and Costello, William Bendix, Shaver Theatre; "Marked Woman", Bette Davis, Humphrey bogart, Sandy Beach Drive-In; "Pursued", robert Mitchum, alan Hale, Star-Lite Theatre. Engaged--Wilma Ickinger to Layton

Married--Dorothy R. York and Roger McSweeney

Deaths--Mrs. Lillian Doll, Harveys Lake; Mrs. Ann Schooley, Trucksville.

You could get--Roasting chickens45c lb.; veal roast 59c lb.; cheddar cheese 45c lb.; bread 13c laof; coffee 44c lb.; frozen broccoli 33c pkg.; frozen green peas 2 pkgs. 49c; radishes 3 bchs. 10c; pineapples 19c

20 years ago - June 11, 1959

Fireproffing in Dallas Schools to cost \$12,582.

Lake-Lehman directors vote to start building plan. Gate of Heaven graduates class of

48 students on Sunday. Idetown Couples Club plans auction Donald Belles, 1959 Westmoreland

graduate, wins scholarship to the University of Maryland. Engaged-Shirley Jane Bailey to Kenneth F. Sedler; Patricia Eyet to

Arthur Coolbaugh; Mary Lou Elston to Charles Crook. Anniversaries--Mr. and Mrs. George Shaver, Sr., 42 years; Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kitchen, 40 years; Mr.

and Mrs. John Dana, 25 years. Now playing at local theatres-"The Mating Game", Debbie Reynolds. Tony Randall, Himmler Theatre; "Westbound", Randolph Scott,

Virginia Mayo, Forty Fort Theatre;

"Up Periscope", James Garner, Anniversry--Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwin O'Brien, Sandy Beach Drive- H. Long, 30 years. In; "Gidgit", Sandra Dee, James Darren, Luzerne Theatre; "The Black Orchid", Sophia Loren, Anthony Quinn, Dallas Outdoor Theatre.

Sixteen hour rain gives impetus to fruit crops in the Back Mountain. Rotary Club to honor top graduates

from Lake-Lehman and Dallas at dinner at Irem Temple Country Club. Deaths--Mrs. Gertrude Russ, Centermoreland; Mrs. Katherine Rothermel, Huntsville; Karl David Rittenhouse, Shavertown; John A. Kline, Jr., Harveys Lake summer resident; Howard Neely, Beaumont native; Mrs. Emma Gabel, Dallas. Little League players will ring doorbells Monday night.

You could get--Capons 49c lb.; chuck roast 39c lb.; angel food cake 33c; sharp cheese 59c lb.; fresh eggs 2 doz. 89c; egg noodles 35c lb. pkg.; frozen sliced strawberries 2 pkgs. 55c; frozen grape juice 2 6-oz. cans 29c; new cabbage 5c lb.; leaf lettuce 2 bchs. 15c; peaches 3 lbs. 35c.

10 years ago - June 12, 1969

Dallas Township supervisors will request a traffic light at Hildebrant Road, Route 309 and Center Hill Road, to facilitate the large amount of traffic coming out into this artery of

Arthur Asher of Trucksville, blind in one eye for 58 years, has his sight restored by miracle of modern surgery

Jack Jones, director of Kingston Township's new summer recreation program announced that June 17 will mark the opening of the playgrounds for all local boys and girls from 7 to 17 years of age.

Dorothy Andrews Elston, 33rd treasurer of the United States, will be a guest of the Lehman Volunteer Fire Company July 3,4 and 5 at their annual Lehman Horse Show.

George McCutcheon is chairman of Back Mountain Library Auction to be held July 10,11 and 12.

Mrs. Frederick Eck, Shavertown, is chairman of the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital Auxiliary's eighth annual festival June 18 on the hospital grounds.

The new Pennsylvania State Liquor Store in the Dallas Shopping Center opened this morning.

Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Company's fourth annual bazaar at Konefal's Grove in Chase is termed big success.

Married--Lana Marie Vanchure and Thomas M. Sapser.

Deaths--Mrs. Anna Losh. Lehman: Mrs. Lena Dendler, Beaumont; Mrs. Mary Swoboda, Harveys Lake; Mrs. Grace Morton, Carverton.

Kunkle hosts national Enduro Race of 122 miles

Lake Jean is temporarily closed for swimming following application of an herbicide to control aquatic weed

You could get--Picnics 39c lb.; lamb chops 89c lb.; peanut butter 45c jar; bread 4 lvs. \$1; eggs 2 doz. 75c; instant coffee 79c 6-oz. jar; frozen baby limas 4 pkgs. 89c; frozen orange juice 4 cans 89c; Bing cherries 49c lb.; cantaloupes 49c ea.; green beans 19c lb.; cauliflower 39c hd.

Jackson Twp. views grants

Jackson Township supervisors reported to township residents Monday night that a representative from the Home Rehabilitation Program for low-income families will be present at the Jackson Township Fire Hall on Thursday, June 14 at 4 p.m. At that time, a discussion will be held concerning what criteria is necessary to qualify for the program.

The rehabilitation program is administered by the Luzerne County Office of Community Development and provides grants for low-income homeowners to assist in such home repairs as heating systems, electrical systems, plumbing or roofs. No liens are placed on the home because of these grants.

A family of one person with a maximum family income of \$4,500; a family of two with \$5,500 per year; and a family of three with \$6,500 per year are eligible for the grants. The grant restriction goes up by an additional \$1,000 in maximum income for each family member over three.

The board accepted the resignation of Patrolman Richard Arnold, effective June 3, Arnold stated in his resignation that he was leaving for

'personal and private reasons" Guy Llewellyn was reappointed as chairman of the Jackson Township Planning Commission. John Fielding was reappointed to the board of the Planning Commission.

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Gas?

enough gas to stay in business, I don't care what he does.

"But I have been selling gas for 30 years and if I sit here without gas while he is supplied with it, then I will be plenty angry. Under ordinary circumstances I wouldn't worry about

Martin stated that he is supplied gas by Petroleum Service, which has been forced to cut allocations to their dealers. He said that he called the Department of Energy about Dummore Oil Company coming into the

According to Martin, the Department of Energy indicated that they had heard about Gentile but nothing more has been done. Martin said he was not contacted during the Department of Energy survey.

Woody LaBar, LaBar's Sunoco Station, said that he is not worried about the new operation.

"To me it's just another indication that there is gas available--it's just a question of when. As far as hurting us, I'm not worried--Redhead is a "Gas and Go" station and they never cut into our business.

"We have our regular customers that we have had for years. I can't see where it will make any difference.' Difference or not, the new Mobil station is open and pumping gas. How many hours daily and how many days each week it will be open is not cer-

"We can't determine hours until we know how much gas we're going to get and how much we sell," said Roberts.





Ray Carlsen Blaze Carlsen Mrs. T.M.B. Hicks Charlot Denmon Tom Mooney James Smith Jane Maturi Virginia Hoover Bea LaBar Estella Parker Olga Kostrobala **Betty Meeker**

Joe Wright Kay Whitehead

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