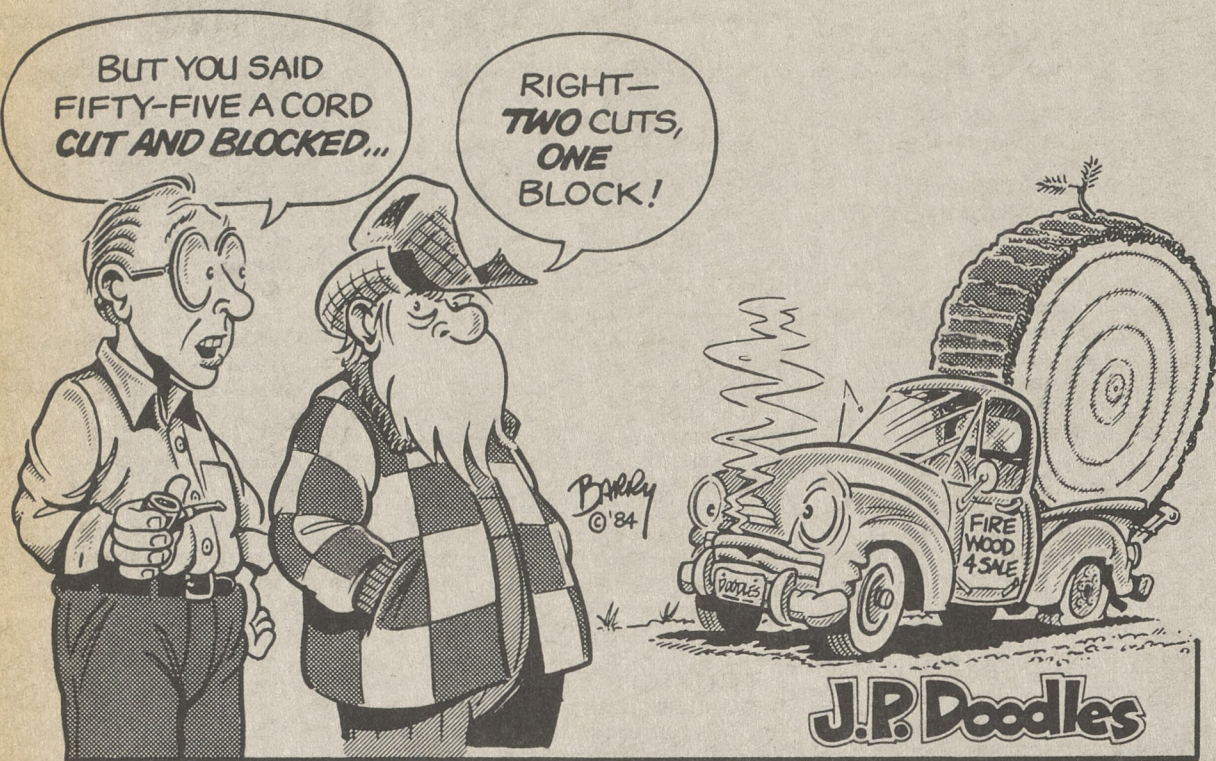


Perspective



It's firewood time

With the way the weather has turned toward the colder side of the thermometer lately, Back Mountain residents will start thinking about getting firewood for the winter season. Be careful when buying the wood, though. Don't get taken for a ride like our friend J.P. Doodles did.

Only yesterday

Local cow obtains new official production record

50 YEARS AGO - OCT. 5, 1934

A Guernsey cow owned by Colonel Dorrance Reynolds of Dallas obtained a new official record for production which entitled her to entry in the Advanced Register of the American Guernsey Cattle Club. Rosie produced 11,590 pounds of milk and 513.7 pounds of fat.

You could get - Lamb 17c lb.; chuck pot roast 13c lb.; stewing chickens 19c lb.; iceberg lettuce 2 hds. 19c; sweet potatoes 8 lb. 19c; sugar 10 lb. 55c; Waldorf papper, 4 rolls 17c; butter 2 lb. 55c.

40 YEARS AGO - OCT. 6, 1944

Pvt. Walter Kitchen, serving in the field of battle in France, was wounded. A wallet in his breast pocket stopped the rifle bullet, saving Walter from serious harm.

Resuming regular league football games which were cancelled due to gas rationing, Lehman Township defeats Dallas Township in the season opener. Lehman's broken field runner Pat Salansky ran 85 yards for the game's only touchdown.

Engaged - Elizabeth Shupp to Robert Cyphers.

Married - Betty Ann Newhart to Seaman 2C Raymond Pace.

Deaths - Frederick Loveland, killed in action, European Theatre.

You could get - Breast of lamb 17c lb.; skinless franks 35c lb.; chickens 39c lb.; cod filets 31c lb.; cauliflower 29c hd.; Macintosh apples 3 lb. 23c; coffee lb. bag 24c; Farmdale evaporated milk 3 tall cans 26c.

30 YEARS AGO - OCT. 8, 1954

Architect Robert Eyerer was engaged to present costs and specifications for additional classrooms for Dallas-Franklin School. Overcrowding made the addition necessary.

Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board opened its 612th store in the Dallas Borough Building. Warren Reed, Dallas and Francis Gabel, Wilkes-Barre were appointed to manage the store.

Engaged - Ruth Fiske to Lee Syphers; Lois Jean Ide to Fred

Hughes; Christine Crispell to Robert Lewis; Ethel Clara Patton to Harry Wells.

Married - Priscilla Cooper to Alexander Gulis; Mary Jane Williams to Harry Crossman; Dilys Rowlands to Bernard Stoner.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Whitesell, Lehman, 54 years. You could get - Chuck roast 37c lb.; rib roast 53c lb.; frying chickens 43c lb.; tomato soup 12 cans \$1; cauliflower 2 jumbo hds. 29c; honey-sugar melons 49c lb.; Ivory Snow, giant size 74c; Pillsbury's Best Flour 5 lb. 53c.

20 YEARS AGO - OCT. 1, 1964

College Misericordia planned its homecoming. This 7th annual homecoming weekend included Mass, and informal campus tour. Attorney Donald D. McFadden, LLM Wilkes-Barre was guest speaker at the luncheon. The highlight of the Fortieth Anniversary Reunion Dinner was the presentation of the first Outstanding Alumnae Service Award.

Area chairmen were named for the local United Fund Campaign. Back Mountain division chairman was Mrs. Edward Ratcliff. Area chairmen were Mrs. Harry Moyer, Shavertown, Trucksville, Carverton; Mrs. John Bourke, Lehman, Jackson, Harveys Lake, Mrs. Gordon Dawe.

Engaged - Carol Ann Haggerty to Leslie Barstow, Jr.

Married - Linda Calkins to Roger Whitesell; Janice Rose Ide to James Ray Steifel; Mary Mokychic to George Clemow.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Baker, Sr., Dallas, 48 years.

Deaths - R.H. Williams, Pikes Creek; Annabell Biggs Charney, former area resident; Mary Diehl, Noxen; Ellen Garinger, Shavertown; Adam H. Young, Trucksville; Raymond Denmon, Beaumont; David Davenport, Reyburn.

You could get - Boneless round roast 75c lb.; leg or rump veal 59c lb.; luncheon meats 59c lb.; shrimp, lg. 65c lb.; Cheddar cheese 49c lb.;

Maxwell House instant coffee 10 oz. jar \$1.53.

10 YEARS AGO - OCT. 3, 1974

George McCutcheon, Sterling Avenue, Dallas, brought international recognition to himself and Luzerne County Community College. At the International Convention of Circle-K held at Los Angeles, Calif. McCutcheon, director of counseling and advisor to the Circle K Club at LCCC was designated recipient of the Circle of Service plaque, the most coveted individual award of the organization.

Daniel C. Roberts purchased the first van type ambulance in the Back Mountain area. Officers of the company were Eugene Tilghman, president; Chet Davis, vice president; Jim McCaffrey, fire chief; Rev. Henry Westfield, secretary.

Married - Michelle Tattersall and Richard Boice; Linda Frances Miller to Brian W. Beard.

Deaths - Madge Snyder, Orange; Theodore Woolbert, Shavertown; Henry Trumbower, Sweet Valley; Erminie Farrell, Dallas; Daisy Oberst Crispell, Harveys Lake.

You could get - Pork loin chops 99c lb.; beef chuck for stew \$1.39 lb.; ground round \$1.29 lb.; seedless grapefruit 4-49c; carrots 2 lb. pkgs. 35c; cello pkg. spinach 45c; pkg. Dream Whip 89c.

STATE CAPITOL ROUNDUP

This is a summary of important events that occurred on Capitol Hill from Rep. Frank Coslett, 120th Legislative District.

REBUILDING THE STATE'S infrastructure and creating new jobs in the process is the intent of legislation introduced by Rep. Joseph A. Lashinger (R-Montgomery). Lashinger has proposed the formation of a commonwealth Infrastructure Development Bank which would be a source of funds for municipalities to use for building and rehabilitating highways, bridges, mass transit systems, water systems and other government projects. The bank would provide money through a revolving loan program. Lashinger said the proposal would not only help Pennsylvania's deteriorating infrastructure, but would also aid the steel industry.

COAL OPERATORS in Pennsylvania will receive added incentive to return thousands of acres of abandoned mine fields to their natural state if a bill passed this week by the House is signed into law by the governor. The measure, which was previously approved by the Senate, would forgive mine opera-

OPINION

Director seeks communication

Northeast Pa. battles competition for growth

By HOWARD J. GROSSMAN

The game, "Trivial Pursuit," has become an important contributor to the entertainment index of the nation. Northeastern Pennsylvania finds itself in the game of untrivial pursuit as it seeks to battle the competition for economic growth throughout the nation. This game, however, is not left to chance, but represents a striking relationship among actors physical characteristics, assets, liabilities, and general features which dictate the landscape and peoples of the pocono Northeast. It is "untrivial" since the very life blood of the region's future is at stake. It is "pursuit" since the region's history and foreseeable future has been and is one of catching up with other parts of the country as far as economic growth is concerned.

The ground rules have changed since the amazing comeback of Northeastern Pennsylvania in the 1950's and 1960's. Today, the competition is even worldwide as every part of the country seeks to attract foreign investments into their jurisdiction. Northeastern Pennsylvania is no different, and in fact, has many features to offer this segment of economic trade. This is true in both an exporting sense of products produced by industries in our region and the potential which exists to capture reverse foreign investment in the region.

There is no shortage of financial incentives to help stimulate economic growth in the region. There is however, a wide range of financial incentives offered by competitive areas and regions throughout the nation. While these incentives are important, there are many other factors which dictate why industry locates in a particular area.

Among these factors are: excellence in labor supply, strong worker productivity, quality transportation system, and many other factors. Northeastern Pennsylvania has many of these factors, if not all, but must package them effectively to increase the likelihood that new industry will locate in the region. Packaging means looking at the region as a unit, rather than individual parts. It means recognizing that Northeastern Pennsylvania represents the 58th largest metropolitan area in the entire nation. It means working harmoniously to attract industries large enough to dictate full cooperation among all public and private sector groups to attract that particular industry. It means Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Hazleton, and other communities working closely together in a governmental sense to attract the type of industry most suitable for the region. It means much more in the way of developing techniques by which the region can be far

more competitive than it is today.

In examining the economic lifestyle of the region, it should not be forgotten that Northeastern Pennsylvania's employment growth has mainly occurred as a result of existing businesses and industries expanding. Therefore, great attention should be placed on this factor to even increase the likelihood that these businesses will expand further in the 1980's and 1990's. The pursuit of expansion is just as important, and in many cases, far more important than spending the time necessary to attract a new industry from out of the region.

One of the recent examples by which pursuit of economic excellence has become critical is the Ben Franklin Partnership. This Pennsylvania-based advanced technology program provides funding by the State in a challenge grant sense to encourage both basic industries to upgrade and modernize and attract new type of technology industry to the State. If Northeastern Pennsylvania does not awaken to the importance of this program, and to compete more effectively in seeking technology based industries, and utilizing the program to upgrade basic industries such as needle trades, we will fall further beyond the great battle for economic growth. Every organization concerned with economic growth in the region needs to take advantage of the Ben Franklin Partnership program, as well as develop an aggressive posture for economic improvement.

Untrivial pursuit is more than a game; it represents the economic life line of Northeastern Pennsylvania. The moves and counter-moves which are made within the next year or two represent the basic mode by which the economic well being within the region over a much longer period will be sustained.

Every citizen and every official within the Pocono Northeast needs to be concerned about these strategies and decisions. It is not enough to leave these decisions to other, but to participate in how these strategies are formed and then put into place. Since many development agencies are involved in the process, citizens and officials should become knowledgeable of each organization's role and help in a positive and constructive way to encourage the best type of economic growth for the betterment of all, and the improvement of the region's quality of life.

One such way is to communicate with the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, 1151 Oak Street, Pittston, Pa. 18640-3795.

(Howard J. Grossman is the executive director of the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania.)

LETTERS

Film shows different angle

DEAR EDITOR:

Those attending the recent PHL convention in Altoona, Pa. were shown an impressive and informative film made by Dr. Bernard

Nathanson. It was entitled "An Abortion from the Victim's Viewpoint." Permission was granted to film the procedure by the doctor performing the abortion of an 11-week-old baby.

Dr. Nathanson, at one time, was director of one of the largest and busiest abortion clinics in the world, thus presiding over 60,000 abortions, 5,000 of which he personally performed. He later became Chief of Obstetrics at St. Luke's Hospital in New York City where he studied and treated the children in utero "as patients." He now is an articulate speaker in defense of human life and is committed to a pro-life position. Dr. Nathanson is author of "Aborting America" and "The Abortion Papers: Inside the Abortion Mentality."

Dr. Nathanson began by showing us two instruments used in this type abortion. The suction apparatus which was in the shape of a straw and a clamp resembling scissors curved on the cutting end. When the film begins he points out the different parts of the baby as seen in a side view on the ultrasound equipment. When the suction apparatus is inserted in the birth canal, the baby's heartbeat increases and the baby moves to the corner of the uterus. Although the amniotic sac

had not been touched, the baby knows something is wrong. The heartbeat is now 200 beats a minute.

The baby is now facing the camera, its mouth open wide in a silent scream. The instrument is moved back and forth; the baby keeps trying to get away with the violent movements. The heartbeat is now 220. The instrument finally penetrates the amniotic sac and fluid is drawn out. The suction apparatus is attached to the baby's body and is pulled down with suction into the cervix. The body is torn off the head and spine. The doctor continues to take out bits and pieces. The head can be seen floating free. The doctor next uses the clamp to crush the head so it can be removed.

We have seen many images of man's inhumanity to man — Pearl Harbor, nuclear bombing in Japan, WWII holocaust, Viet Nam, pictures of racial injustice of blacks being chased by police dogs, etc. Now, we who were present saw the image of an abortion where the baby had "no choice."

The doctor who performed this abortion has not performed another since seeing this film.

RUTH M. SMITH
WEST WYOMING

Doctor warns against rabies

DEAR EDITOR:

Today a young boy died of rabies. Rabies is almost always fatal. We need your editorial support to again warn the public about this fatal illness.

Let me express more strongly certain precautions that should be taken by every person:

1. Don't you or your children touch a dead animal or a live wild one.
2. Have your dogs and cats immunized against rabies.

3. If bitten, get immediate medical attention.

If you need additional information call: Dr. Bobby R. Jones at (717) 787-3350 or Bruce Reimer at (717) 787-1783.

Once again - rabies is nearly always fatal and the number of rabid animals in Pennsylvania continues to grow. It is of epidemic proportion in some counties.

H. ARNOLD MULLER, M.D.

Folk Art Contest slated

The third annual Luzerne County Folk Festival Art Contest for students in grades one through eight will be held at First Eastern Bank, 11 West Market Street, Wilkes-Barre, beginning Oct. 9.

Categories for the exhibit are drawing in charcoal, pencil, pen, ink, or pastels, painting in oil, acrylic or watercolor and paper crafts. Art work must be solely the work of the entrant and drawings must utilize the theme of this year's

festival — "Travel the Rivers of the World" or "Along the Susquehanna", as well as "Your Ethnic Heritage".

Entry forms are available by contacting the Luzerne County Tourist Promotion Agency 288-6784. Further information can also be obtained by contacting Donna Morgan, contest chairman, 287-7245; Helen Selecky, co-chairman 736-6782 or Beverly Marchetti, co-chairman, 675-4841.

LIBRARY NEWS

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK
Library Correspondent

The Back Mountain Memorial Library will be flying a new flag of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania along with the American Flag in the near future. I stopped at Senator Frank O'Connell's office last week and received the flag. The flag we have been flying is a few years old and was getting rather tattered and torn. I spoke to Frank's office last week and they assured me they would obtain a flag for us. As Frank wrote on the note he enclosed with the new flag, we will "Fly it proudly!" Thank you, Senator O'Connell.

The Book Club of the library will meet on Monday, Oct. 15, in the middle room on the second floor of the new library building on Huntsville Road. The meeting will begin at 1:30 with Florence Crump presiding. Doris Pierce will head the hospitality committee. We are hoping for warm weather on the 15th, otherwise, we will go with portable heaters as the new heating system is not expected to be operational by that time.

New books at the library: "Travelers In An Antique Land" by David Creed is a savage novel of power and compassion that brilliantly lays bare the tensions, violence, and terror of a city torn apart by civil war.

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