

ONLY YESTERDAY

50 YEARS AGO - OCT. 2, 1936
 Jerry Elston, handsome young son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Elston, Kunkle, was winner of The Dallas Post Most Popular Baby Contest. Jerry won first prize of \$100 and an engraved silver loving cup.
 Betty Jane Whippel won second prize. She was awarded \$50.
 Tests on a new well at Irem Temple Country Club, Dallas, revealed a capacity of more than 110 gallons per hour assuring the club sufficient water for consumption and for watering the links.
 Postmaster George T. Kirkendall announced that the post office would begin registering workers for Federal Old Age Pension. President Roosevelt's Social Security Act would become effective on January 1, 1937.
Birthdays - John C. Wilson, 84 years.
 You could get - Granulated sugar 10 lb. 49c; flour 12 lb. bag 49c; Shurfine Coffee 23c lb.; Campbell's Soup 4 cans \$1; Shurfine milk 10 tall cans 69c; Octagon soap 4 bars 19c; pork sausage 28c lb.; peanut butter 2 pt. jars 29c; pineapple 3 lg. cans 50c; prunes 3 lb. 25c; sweet potatoes 10 lb. 25c; butter 2 lb. 79c.
40 YEARS AGO - OCT. 4, 1946
 Mrs. Daniel Shaver presented \$205 to Kingston Township School Board for use in the purchase of instruments for the new school band. Mrs. Shaver had single-handedly collected \$111 from interested citizens.
 Truckville Fire Chief Francis McCarty was honored for more than 20 years at Truckville. During the dinner pledges of cooperation in fire fighting efforts was agreed upon by Back Mountain Fire Companies.
 Overbrook Gun Club, which patrolled 2,600 acres of farm hunting grounds in the Back Mountain area, took action to prosecute youths who handled .22 rifles carelessly and indifferently to the safety of others.
 Engaged - Roberta Sutton and Paul E. Clemow; Londie Spaciano and John F. Kucavich.
 Married - Wilma D. Gay and John T. Thetga; Ruth M. Hackett and Harold Brown.
 Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Scott, 25 years; Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Wardan, 51 years.
 Deaths - William L. Reese, Fernbrook.
 You could get - Pollock filets 25c lb.; grapes 25c 2 lb.; cauliflower lg. hd. 15c; onions 5 lb. 12c; sweet potatoes 3 lb. 17c; Danish cabbage 3c lb.; Mueller's fine noodles 12 oz. pkg. 16c; Ivory soap 4 med. bars 23c; Keebler Club crackers 17c 11 oz. box; Bartlett pears 2 lb. 25c.

30 YEARS AGO - OCT. 5, 1956
 Kingston Township supervisors voted to join the remaining Back Mountain communities in the movement underway to make the highway a safer place. This meant more hours for police chief Jesse Coslett and police officer Herbert Updyke.
 Leaders of the United Fund campaign for the Back Mountain area met to map out plans for the October health and welfare appeal. Mrs. John M. Robinson was general chairman.
 Married - Mary Gargol and Kenneth C. Martin; Marilyn Shaver and William Thomas.
 Deaths - Hale Coughlin, Lehman; John H. Thomas, formerly of Shavertown.
 You could get - Smoked hams 49c lb.; ducklings 49c lb.; haddock cutlets 49c lb.; baking potatoes 10 lb. bag 69c; San Giorgio spaghetti sauce 10½ oz. can 22c; Reese's peanut butter cups 5-oz. 25c; rye bread 17c loaf; reg. pkg. Spic & Span 27c; Ivory personal bars 4-23c; 16 oz. can beef stew 35c.
20 YEARS AGO - OCT. 6, 1966
 Dallas High School freshman Gary Kleppinger was awarded the Eagle Scout Award. The award was presented at a breakfast a Shavertown United Methodist Church, where Gary was a member. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kleppinger, of Evergreen Street, Shavertown.
 College Misericordia presented a one woman craft exhibit. Featured was Janet Crosson, who had won a number of ribbons for her textiles and graphics.
 Married - Carl F. Daubert Jr. and Gertrude Carbohn.
 Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Swanson, 26 years; Mr. and Mrs. John Fielding, 26 years; Mr. and Mrs. George Richards, 11 years; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Daubert, Sr., 28 years; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Montross, Sr., 25 years; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ferry, 23 years.
 Deaths - August Schutz, Tunkhannock Highway; Beulah Stout, Beaumont.
 You could get - Pork loins 39c lb.; boneless chuck 69c lb.; chicken breasts 49c lb.; broccoli 29c bunch; delicious apples 19c lb.; Bartlett pears 46c lb.; cheddar cheese, mild, 71c lb.; cottage cheese 29c lb.; canned pineapple 4-99c; coffee 2 lb. can \$1.29; Alaskan King crab legs 89c lb.
10 YEARS AGO - OCT. 7, 1976
 Dallas Township board of supervisors voted to take over Fox Hollow Road at their regular meeting. Atty.



REMEMBERING

Business section

Shown here is the business section of Dallas as it appeared in the earlier years.

Ben Jones and his client Dr. Warren Koehl, owner of Fox Hollow Development, were present to present their petition.
 Despite the fact that a 4-3 vote had been rendered against the issue of a Sandy Beach site for a municipal beach and borough building at Harveys Lake, some members of Harveys Lake, some members of Harveys

Lake Borough Council still pressed on with the idea.
 Deaths - Howard (Duke) Isaacs; Herman Hier; William Thomas Jr.
 You could get - Pork chops \$1.29 lb.; loin end roast 89c lb.; spaghetti sauce 32 oz. jar 79c; 32 oz. bottle Coca Cola 4-\$1; Keebler crackers, 69c box; yellow bananas 2 lb. 35c; fresh green beans 35c lb.

EDITOR'S NOTES

WELCOME BACK, Karen Spudis of Dallas.
 Karen, the proprietor of the Bargain Bakery Outlet on Route 415 across from Daring's Market in Dallas, recently returned home from a trip to Nashville, Tennessee.
 My sources tell me Karen had so much fun looking at artifacts in museums and at baseball games that she's now organizing another trip herself.
 It's good to have you back, Karen - I'm sure your customers are glad you're back.



DOTTY MARTIN

WELCOME HOME, ALSO to Helen and Tom Dickinson of Dallas.
 The Dickinsons recently returned from Florida where they enjoyed a week of sun and fun.
 Tom is retired from the maintenance department of the Dallas School District and has lots of time to vacation; however, Helen is still employed as a registered nurse in the Obstetrics Department of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.
 Are you counting the days until your retirement, Helen?
THE BEST OF LUCK is extended to my good friend, JoAnn Newberry of Orange.

JoAnn, formerly employed as the business manager of The Times Leader, began her new job Monday as the controller of ABC Radio in New York City.
 From Orange, Pa. to New York City is a rather big jump and I want you to know, JoAnn, my thoughts and prayers are with you as you begin this new life. Not only is JoAnn starting a new job, she's moving to a completely strange area and will be leading a completely different lifestyle as her living arrangement forces her to travel 2 1/2 hours one way to work.
 Hang in there, JoAnn - I'm sure things will work themselves out.
SPEAKING OF THE NEWBERRYS, JoAnn's parents, John and

Diane, are looking rather well these days.
 Having stopped at my house during a recently holiday get-together, Mr. and Mrs. Newberry looked better than ever. And, now that Mr. Newberry's got a brand new car, he claims to be in even better shape.
 I would bet the Newberrys' new granddaughter may have something to do with how good they look these days.
 Mallory Ann Carey, the newest addition to the David Carey family of Dallas, has the Newberrys smiling proudly these days. Mallory's mother is the former Debbie Newberry.
JUDI BLASE, of Dallas, hosted a going-away party for JoAnn Newberry at her home at Harveys Lake.
 A small get-together at Judi's beautifully decorated home on the lake was just what the doctor ordered in the form of a going-away party.
 It was a nice way to get together with some friends and an even nicer way to bid farewell to a good friend.
ISN'T THE KIRBY CENTER absolutely beautiful?

I've been to two shows there already and can't get over how gorgeous and how badly needed the civic center actually is.
 It amazes me that Al Boscov and his committee purchased that theater just nine short months ago and already have it operational.
 Opening weekend was just great with Wyoming Valley residents flooding the theater for almost every performance.
 It was nice to see Ed and Anna Mae Delaney and their daughter, Beth Ann, of Forty Fort at the Kirby last Sunday evening for the Up With People performance. The Delaneys are former residents of New Goss Manor in Dallas and maintain residences now in both Forty Fort and Florida.
 Cheers to the Kirby Center and to every one of Wyoming Valley's residents who contributed something to its shaping - heaven knows we've needed a center like this for an awful long time.
BARRY AND SHEILA SMITH of Dallas sure are acting like new people these days. Well, they're not exactly new people but they're not Barry and Sheila Smith anymore - they're Barry and Sheila Brutko.

Barry and Sheila are now officially the children of both Jean and George Brutko as all the legalities were worked out last week to have George become their legal father.
 My sources tell me Barry and Sheila are rather proud of their new status while Mom and Papa George are still drinking champagne in celebration.
HATS OFF to Fran Hoover of Trucksville who, just a few weeks ago, was credited with saving a man's life.
 Hoover was operating a ditch digger along Route 6 about two miles west of Factoryville when he noticed that a vehicle driven by a 78-year-old Scranton man had rolled off the road into a drainage ditch.
 When Hoover reached the vehicle it was turned over on its roof and submerged in about three feet of water. Hoover managed to open the rear door of the vehicle and, unable to pull the man out of the car because of a secure seat belt, held his head and his arms above water until help arrived.
 When another passerby arrived on the scene, Hoover and the other man managed to cut the victim loose from his seat belt and drag him onto the bank. By then, the

Factoryville Ambulance crew had arrived and the victim was transported to the Mercy Hospital in Scranton where he was treated and released.
 It was obviously quick-thinking on Hoover's part that kept the elderly gentleman from drowning during the accident.
SOMEONE TOOK THE TIME to write a Letter to the Editor this week, but then forgot to sign it.
 The letter, written as a response to something that was printed in the September 24th edition of The Dallas Post, was well-written and made a very strong point. Unfortunately, the letter will not be published unless the person comes forth and verifies the letter by signing his or her name to it. The author's name will be withheld upon request, however, we must have a signature on record.
 We encourage our readers to respond to anything in our newspaper in the form of a Letter to Editor, but remember, we cannot print your letters unless they are signed.
 (Dotty Martin is the Executive Editor of Pennaprint Inc., publishers of The Dallas Post. Her column appears weekly.)

LIBRARY NEWS

By **NANCY KOZEMCHAK**
 Special to The Dallas Post
BRAVO!! September 19, 1986! The grand opening of the F.M. Kirby Center for the Performing Arts.
 Truly one of the most magnificent events that I have ever attended. The building itself in its refurbished condition is just beautiful and the 1800 people attending the opening in their tuxedos and formal dresses made for a dazzling evening from beginning to end.
 I was fortunate to be able to

attend this gala affair with three dear friends and from the moment we arrived at the front of the Kirby Center until seven hours later when we were leaving Genetti's after dinner, we felt as though we were in some sort of a social whirlwind. The trumpets sounded announcing the opening of the doors, the ushers were there to escort people to their seats, friends were greeting each other and commenting on the beautiful condition of the center and admiring the festive dress and attitude of everyone in attendance.
 The Northeastern Pennsylvania

Philharmonic provided the musical accompaniment for the opening and they were superb. The Wilkes-Barre Ballet performed the Bolero as the opening act and they did an excellence performance. "The Celebration Tour" starring the American Ballet Theatre's prima ballerina, Cynthia Gregory and company, was just perfect. For many of us, this was our first experience in viewing ballet, and I'm sure most everyone will agree, it was an enlightening experience and a beautiful performance of art.
 The tuxedos have been returned,

the dresses have been cleaned, covered and stored in the back of the closets and the limos are back to normal doings. This date, of course, was my birthday and that's why the celebration was super special.
 Another special person, Al Boscov, celebrated a birthday on September 22nd and had Happy Birthday sang to him at Genetti's. A surprise coincidence; we are both Virgos and one important ingredient in a Virgo's lifestyle is perfection. The Kirby Center is definitely done to perfection. An enchanting evening, what a way to celebrate the

beginning of our next year. From beginning to end, a night to remember! BRAVO!!
 The display case is featuring transformers borrowed from the collection of Kevin Rogers of Shavertown. Kevin is eight years old and in third grade at the Westmoreland School, and has been collecting transformers about three years. I understand the good ones are called autobots and the bad ones are deceptions.
 We have on display Grimlock, Tyrannosaurus Rex, Ratchet who transforms to a robot on a battle

sled; Swoop or Pyterdacyl transforms to a robot; Metroplex from robot to mobile battle station, which is the newest one. Optimus Prime was his first transformer having been a Christmas gift from Grandmother. The purple stickers designate the bad ones and the red & blue stickers are on the good ones.
 These will be on display until October 22nd. The public is invited to come and visit.
 (Nancy Kozemchak is the assistant librarian at the Back Mountain Memorial Library. Her column appears weekly in The Dallas Post.)

GROSSMAN ON ECONOMICS

By **HOWARD J. GROSSMAN**
 Special to The Dallas Post
 The needle trade industry is sick, and while its disease may be fatal, steps must be taken in an all out attempt to protect this important part of Northeastern Pennsylvania's economy.
 Some of these steps were laid out in a bill which was passed by Congress, vetoed by the President, and was shown to be veto proof by eight votes in a recent attempt to override the President's decision. In a report recently presented to the Executive Committee of the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania (EDCNP), the trend toward substantial cutback of this key industry sector was evident.

Between 1974 and 1983, according to "County Business Patterns" a decline of 11,888 jobs and 150 needle trade plants in the region occurred. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recently stressed its concern by establishing a \$4 million low-interest (three percent) loan program for equipment modernization for the sewn industries in Pennsylvania. Sewn industries include the needle trade, shoes and boots, and handbags.
 This loan program is administered in the region by the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania, and is one of a series of low-interest revolving loan fund programs available to the business and industrial community of Northeastern Pennsylvania. It is unlikely that this loan program alone will resolve the problems of

the needle trades in the region or in the state. It is abundantly clear that the problem needs to be resolved at an international and national level. Thus far, no solution has shown itself to stem the rising tide of foreign imports which seems to lie at the heart of the distressed patterns which have impacted the needle trade industry.
 Over the years, a number of attempts have been made to stimulate renewed interest in the needle trades. Several years ago, through the cooperation and funding support of the Private Industry Councils in Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties, the EDCNP carried out an important work plan designed to improve the industry's image. This work plan resulted in the preparation of

an audio visual describing the importance of the industry sector, as well as a brochure which outlined some of the advantages of the work place and was distributed to school districts and others throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania.
 In 1978, a special report was prepared by a commission under then Governor Shapp to evaluate the future of the industry sector and recommend actions which could be taken to stem the decline of the industry sector in Pennsylvania. It is interesting to observe that one of the recommendations made was to establish a low interest loan program, but it was not until 1986 that the program was, in fact, implemented in the state. The aforementioned EDCNP report talks about

the needle trade industry in the following terms:
 It is unlikely that the needle trade industry's problems will be resolved immediately. A further shake out is likely with more firms closing and more jobs lost to Northeastern Pennsylvania. If this were to occur, it would be a tragedy and cause great hardships to many families in the region.
 It is vital that a new look be given to the needle trade industry in Northeastern Pennsylvania. No actions can be taken locally without some type of national and international view of the future of this industry sector.
 In the absence of new national legislation, there is a need to find ways by which the State of Pennsyl-

vania and or local organizations can, at least, provide some type of support mechanism. While the new loan program by the State of Pennsylvania can prove to be helpful, it is not a solution to the problem. Every conceivable action should be taken to encourage ways and means by which the needle trade industry can continue to be an important part of Northeastern Pennsylvania's economy.
 Is there a future for the needle trade industry in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and, therefore, in Northeastern Pennsylvania? (Howard J. Grossman is the executive director of the Economic Development Council of Northeast Pennsylvania. His column appears periodically in The Dallas Post.)

LETTERS

DEAR EDITOR:
 Pennsylvania is one of only a handful of states that still permit the use of live birds for target practice.
 One of the largest live bird shoots in the world takes place every Labor Day in the Pennsylvania town of Hegins in Schuylkill County. Since 1934 as many as eight thousand birds are killed each year during the day long event called the Fred Coleman Memorial Shoot.
 The birds are placed in small traps which, when pulled by a

string, collapse releasing the birds. Pumped up with booze and bravado, shooters take aim at pigeons who in some instances have never flown before being released from the shooting trap.
 Most birds are shot on the ground as they walk away from the collapsed trap. Those that are not initially wounded or killed fly back to the holding crates; or wait innocently near the collapsed trap to be captured and used again as a live target. Observers estimate that only

one percent of the birds escape to freedom.
 The majority of birds are wounded, not killed. Organizers hire young boys called "trapper boys" to kill the wounded birds by wringing their necks. Firsthand accounts reveal that almost 70 percent of the birds are only crippled by the shooters and must be killed by the "trapper boys." They are paid \$28 to collect the killed and wounded birds. They literally spend the day from dawn to dusk wringing the

necks of crippled birds.
 International Society for Animal Rights is joining with other Pennsylvania activists to promote legislation which will outlaw the use of birds as live targets.
 If readers would like to join this campaign and help abolish live bird shoots, please contact ISAR at 421 South State St., Clarks Summit, PA 18411.
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