

Only yesterday

50 YEARS AGO - NOV. 6, 1936

Luzerne County contributed generously to the Democratic victory by sending New Dealers to the State Legislature, a Democratic county chairman to the state senate and congress. This was the first time in many years that the Sixth Legislative District, representing part of Dallas, was represented by a Democrat.

Although many clung loyally to their Republican voting, the residents of the Back Mountain voted to upset tradition by voting in favor of selling alcoholic beverages. The Carverton District was alone in retaining a dry municipality.

You could get - Land O' Lakes tub butter 35c; 10 lb. sugar 47c; salmon 21c tall can; apples 5 lb. 23c; coffee 24c lb.; cocoa 2 lb. can 15c; spinach 6c lb.; tuna fish 2 cans 25c; fig bars 2 lb. 25c; graham crackers 2 lb. 19c.

40 YEARS AGO - NOV. 8, 1946

Nine area residents were killed in the area's worst auto collision. The crash was so loud that students and nuns heard it at College Misericordia several thousand feet away.

Kingston Township and Lehman Township schools sponsored diversified programs aimed at stimulating public interest in American Education Week. Both districts held open house for all area residents.

Engaged - Ruth E. Mann to Glenn T. Kochoer.
Married - Cora Maude Clark and Daniel J. Carey.

Deaths - Glen Hilbert, Chester Moyer, Jean Moyer, Richard Denmon, George Jones, Jr.; Jean Lavelle and Sgt. Gilbert Van Kirk.

You could get - Cod filets 35c lb.; eggs 69c doz. mince meat 20 oz. jar 29c; Florida oranges 27c doz.; potatoes 50 lb. bag \$1.29; apples 3 lb. 29c; grapefruit 3-22c; Emperor grapes 2 lb. 33c; Ivory soap, 2 personal cakes 9c; vanilla 35c bottle.

30 YEARS AGO - NOV. 9, 1956

Miners National Bank, Dallas, moved ahead with plans to double the facilities of its office, which was inadequate to handle its constantly

increasing business. Lacy, Atherton and Davis were architects.

Mrs. Harry Goerginer, Jr. and Mrs. Robert Weaver, Dallas Senior Woman's Club representatives, and Mrs. Robert Husband of the Junior Women's Club collaborated with area photographer James Kozemchak in setting up the Back Mountain Christmas Lighting Contest. The two categories were exterior lighting of trees and shrubs and indoor lighting of picture windows which contributed to the outdoor scene.

Engaged - June E. Hewett and John Anderson
Married - Marion Seiple and Zone F. Garinger; Faith Lois Hoover and Rev. LaMar Dinger.
Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Ira Button, 50 years; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Daley, Fernbrook, 11 years; Mr. and Mrs. William Eckert 25 years.

You could get - Pork loins 27c lb.; standing rib roast 59c lb.; bacon 29c lb.; veal chops 69c lb.; chestnuts 1 lb. 19c; brussel sprouts 25c basket; Clorox 31c 1/2 gal.; Pillsbury flour 10 lb. bag \$1.10; rye bread 17c loaf; pound cake 33c ea.

20 YEARS AGO - NOV. 10, 1966

The Republicans swept the Back Mountain area with only Congressman Dan Flood winning a Democratic seat.

Student teachers from College Misericordia, interning at Dallas Schools were Margaret Casserly, Kathleen Dougherty, Katherine Kelly, Mary McCormick, Maureen Morrison, Margaret O'Brien, Noreen O'Leary, Theresa Stretansky, Barbara Szabo, Patricia Townsend, Sophia Verels, and Pamela Bauman.

Engaged - Susan Catherine Dorrance and Jerome Lee French.

Married - Albert Dendler and Celia Helen Nakoski.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Jason Harding, 50 years; Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Baloga, 25 years.

Deaths - Martin Moss, Hunlock Twp.; Anna Siegfried, Carverton; Frederick Greenly, Harris Hill Rd.; Stephen Gregory, Hunlock Creek;



Football players

Shown here are football players from the former Westmoreland High School. From left, first row, Paul Siket, Robert Letts, Joseph Shrey, Donald Andrews, Michael Kowaleski, Barry Slocum, Carl Buisch, Thomas Gauntlett, Robert Nekrasz. Second row, Erl Harris, Edward Coolbaugh, Lynn Dietz, Wesley Evans, Ernest supulski, Robert Taylor, David Kimball, John Duris, Harold Hislop, Charles Repotski, manager. Third row, Richard Powell, manager; Thomas Jenkins, faculty manager; Richard Brace, Harley Misson, Robert Eyet, Kenneth Thomas, George Jacobs, Ross Steinhauer, David LaBar, William Whittaker, David Stroud, Edward Brominski, coach. Fourth row, John Cathrall, assistant coach; William Cooper, Thomas Groff, Robert Billings, Peter Wolfe, Robert Ashman, Gary Smith, Larry Piatt, Sterling McMichael, William Eckroat, George Dombek, assistant coach.

Matthew Higgins, East Dallas.

You could get - Semi boneless hams 69c lb.; chicken breasts 49c lb.; boneless stewing beef 23c lb.; bananas 9c lb.; seedless grapefruit 5 lb. bag 49c; cauliflower 29c hd.; dates 39c lb.; yams 2 lb. 25c; Maxwell House coffee 2 lb. \$1.75.

10 YEARS AGO - NOV. 4, 1976

Dallas Junior Ann Harleman placed fifth in the cross country districts held at Emanon Golf Course which earned her a trip to the State competition. She was the only runner to represent the Mount runners either the boys or girls cross country teams.

Harveys Lake Planning commission agreed to recommend a municipal building site to the borough council. Guy Giordano was commission chairman and Bob DeRemer was commission member.

Deaths - Grace Cave, Dallas; Joseph Hanks, Midway Manor; Vera Lewis, Shavertown; Joseph Alapac, Dallas.

You could get - Pork roast 89c lb.; pork chops \$1.19 lb.; sliced bacon \$1.29 lb.; kidney beans 4-\$1; 22 oz. loaf bread 3-\$1; Shurfine margarine 3 lb. \$1; Carnation evaporated milk 3-89c; carrots 2 pkg. 35c; oranges 10-79c.

Editor's notes

HALLOWEEN is a rather weird holiday for me. It's probably the only holiday that I can't seem to get into anymore.

I remember going trick-or-treating when I was a child and getting dressed in a costume and filling my plastic pumpkin with all kinds of goodies from friends and neighbors. It was kind of fun - probably more fun then than it is now because I didn't have to march down to the local hospital to get my candy x-rayed or have my Mom and Dad sift through my pumpkin for things that shouldn't be there.

It was just good clean all-American fun for all of us kids. We got dressed up, rehearsed our song or our joke or our dance or whatever we planned to do to earn our treats, grabbed a flashlight and our mother's hand and off we went - to the neighbors, to the friends, to the relatives. And, in those days everybody had their porch

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light on. We didn't have to skip any houses because they weren't accepting trick-or-treaters - we simply went from one house to the next.

And we had to do something in order to get a treat. Walking into someone's livingroom and holding out our pumpkin or opening our bag was unheard of without some kind of entertainment. We had to do something - something we had learned in school and something we were proud to do. We only hoped no other trick-or-treaters before us had done the same thing because we wanted so much for

your entertainment to be an original.

And, we certainly didn't travel out of our immediate neighborhood to go trick-or-treating, unless of course Grandma and Grandpa lived several blocks away in which case Mom or Dad would drive us there - and that would always be the last stop of the night because we'd stay there longer than at any other house and probably walk away with more goodies from them than we'd get from any of our neighbors. But that was okay - because that's what Grandmas and Grandpas are for - to spoil little kids. Especially little kids in Halloween costumes.

Halloween seems to be so different these days. With all

the candy nestled neatly on trays on the coffee table in the livingroom this year, I waited for the trick-or-treaters to come to my house. They came - but only about two dozen - not by droves like they did when I was one of those little types in costume.

And they came from far away - a mother and her eight children piled into the livingroom and told us they were from Hanover Township and the reason they were trick-or-treating in my neighborhood in Forty Fort was because nobody in Hanover Township would let them in their houses! All nine of them - that's right, Mother included - then opened their bags and awaited some candy. Not even a song - not even a

joke. Just "We're from Hanover Township. Give us some goodies!"

It's no wonder I can't get into the spirit of Halloween anymore. The spirit isn't there. No longer is it an evening to dress up in wild and crazy costumes with your brothers and sisters

and your friends. Halloween is now a "gimme, gimme, gimme" type of holiday and, frankly, I for one would rather do without it.

(Dotty Martin is the Editor of The Dallas Post. Her column appears regularly.)



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