

Obituaries

SESSLER, JOHANN, 86, of Dallas, died Apr. 25, 1988 in Wilkes-Barre Mercy Hospital following a brief illness.

He was preceded in death by four brothers.

Surviving are his wife, the former Victoria Mascavage; daughter, Frieda Sessler, N.Y.; sister, Anna, Germany; one grandson; one great-grandson; one niece.

WILLS, HARRY BLYTHE, 86, of RD 2, Harveys Lake, died Apr. 26, 1988 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

He was preceded in death by wives, the former Anna Duffy; the former Elizabeth Rowe Bray; sister Margaret Boettger.

Surviving are his wife, the former Mildred Williams; daughters, Mrs. Lois Crutchley, Trenton, N.J.; Mrs. Susan Deithorn, Satellite Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Mary Legenz, Wilmington, Del.; sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Crane, Fayetteville, Kansas; Mrs. Annabelle Carpenter, West Pittston; brother, George, Greensboro, N.C.; James, Brownsville, Tx.; six grandchildren.

DEVENS, GEORGE D., 70, of Steele Road, Jackson Twp., Plymouth, died Apr. 26, 1988 in Hospice St. John, Wilkes-Barre, following a prolonged illness.

He and his wife, the former Evelyn Bryant, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 9, 1987.

Surviving in addition to his wife are daughters, Mrs. Connie Balliet, Plymouth; Mrs. Evelyn Baker, Trucksville; sister, Mrs. Jane Arner, Hunlock Creek; brother, Edward Devens, Elmira, N.Y.; three grandchildren.

HARRIS MARGARET, 83, of Cornwall Rd., Baltimore, Md., formerly of Dallas and Alderson died Apr. 6, in the Mason Lord Medical Facility, following an illness.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jake, formerly of Alderson.

Surviving are brothers, Glyn and Ernest of Baltimore; Robert of N.J.; several nieces and nephews.

FARNIE, LEATHA B. GORDON, a native of Trucksville, died Apr. 23, 1988.

She is survived by her husband, William Farnie; daughter, Leatha; sons, Billy and Robert; brothers, James and Charles Gordon; sisters, Ruth and Ruby; five grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

WILSON, GERTRUDE A., formerly of Dallas and a resident of Summit Nursing Home, Wilkes-Barre, died Apr. 23, 1988 in Wilkes-Barre Mercy Hospital.

Surviving are a sister, Virginia Hanson, Wilkes-Barre.

BILLINGS, GLENN TOTTON, formerly of Trucksville, died Apr. 26, 1988 in Delaware Valley Hospi-

tal, Levittown.

Surviving are sons, Walter, Levittown; David, Beaumont; James, Chase; daughter, Mrs. Edward Pitcavage, Tunkhannock; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Chester Harris, Athens; Mrs. Alfred Tapp, Dallas; brother, Frank, Trucksville.

BELLON, ALICE, of Atlantic City, N.J. died Apr. 26, 1988 in Atlantic City Medical Center.

Surviving are sons, Donald, Atlantic City, N.J.; Robert, New York City; sisters, Mrs. Anna Elchuck, Shavertown; Mrs. Dorothy Lisowski, Bloomfield, N.J.; Mrs. Julia Drochak, Trucksville; Mrs. Helen Lewis, Wilkes-Barre; brothers, Steven Prehatin, Plains; George Prehatin, Swoyersville; one grandchild.

SIGLIN, THELMA G., 75, of Noxen, died Apr. 28, 1988 in the Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Surviving are her husband, Carl Siglin, Sr.; sons, Roy Swingle, Orange; Ronald Swingle and Carl Siglin Jr., both of Noxen; Charles Siglin, Trucksville; Richard Engleman, Sweet Valley; daughters, Lois Engleman, Betty Weaver and Doris Zacharias, all of Noxen; sisters, Elizabeth Dailey, Tunkhannock; Beatrice Mulligan and Doris Kasson, both of Noxen; 21 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

GUMBRAVICH, JOSEPH G., of Demunds Rd., Dallas, died Apr. 28, 1988 in the Geisinger-Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township.

Surviving are his wife, the former Helen Losh; son, Richard, Dallas; sisters, Mrs. Anna Shultz, Exeter; Mrs. Julia Cispowski, Wyoming; Mrs. Frances Pohonche, Tunkhannock; Mrs. Jean Hosey, Kansas; two grandchildren.

SUTTON, BERT, 90, of Lehman, died Apr. 28, 1988 in the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, Kingston.

He and his wife, the former Elizabeth Wilcox celebrated their 67th anniversary on 1987.

He was preceded in death by a son, Harry, in 1961.

Surviving are a son, William, Lehman; sister, Mrs. Corey (Emaline) Evans, Bloomsburg; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

ACKERSON, ALFRED H., 85, formerly of Dallas, died Apr. 29, 1988 in the River Street Manor Nursing Center, Wilkes-Barre.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna S. Pope in 1969 and Louise Flasser, in 1977.

Surviving are daughters, Mrs. Robert E. Cleaver, Mount Laurel, NJ; Mrs. Barry Mason, Dalton; brother, Edward T., Bayville, L.I. NY; 14 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren.

Only yesterday

50 Years Ago - May 6, 1938

Harry L. Tennyson, supervising principal of Dallas Borough Schools for the past two years, has submitted his resignation to accept a position as head of the joint districts of Smith Township and Burgettstown Borough in Washington County.

A caravan of newspapermen and travel counselors from Eastern United States will visit Harveys Lake and Dallas briefly on Saturday, May 14, during a 11-day jaunt through Pennsylvania.

The 42-year-old trolley system will be abandoned soon when the street car line will be severed to build the by-pass at Luzerne and buses will replace the system.

Kingston Township School Board approved a motion to advertise a bond issue for \$18,000 under the Mansfield Act. The money will be used toward the cost of a new building.

You could buy - Sliced bacon 15c 1/2 lb. pkg.; eggs 29c doz.; strawberry preserves 17c lb. jar; potatoes 35c peck; rhubarb 3 bchs. 10c.

40 Years Ago - May 7, 1948
Trucksville United Methodist Church congregation honored 92-year-old Trucksville resident Fred F. Boote, member of the church since July 1909, after he came from England in April 1908.

Twenty four local men will be among more than 150 candidates who will receive degrees and become members of the Caldwell Consistory at Bloomsburg this week.

Shortage of hides due to strikes in the major meat packing firms of the country has curtailed production at Noxen plant of Armour Leather Company.

One hundred and seventy five new members have joined Shavertown Fire company within the past two weeks as a result of the company's renewed efforts to have every citizen a member.

Eight Dallas students win athletic awards for their achievement in basketball. The boys were presented sweaters by Dallas Borough Athletic Association, and the girls were presented with gold basketballs.

Beaumont High School team coached by Arch Austin, is leading the Western Division, Wyoming County League with no competition in sight.

You could buy - Hams 59c lb.; haddock filets 35c lb.; coffee 49c lb. can; Ideal dog food 2 cans 27c; Spry 3-lb. can \$1.19; Lux soap 2 cakes 27c.

30 Years Ago - May 9, 1958

Dr. Lester E. Jordan is elected District Governor of Rotary District 471. He was nominated at the Pocono Mountain Conference last week and will be voted into office

at the June meeting of Rotary International in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Tex Wilson, former Jean Monk of Dallas, of Dallas Township averted tragedy for two children shortly after breakfast Tuesday morning but was herself overcome with coal gas and hospitalized after she had saved her four-year-old daughter and two-year-old son.

Pat Whitaker will be crowned Queen of the May Day exercises Tuesday at Dallas-Monroe-Franklin School. Class president Bradley Updyke will crown her.

Dallas Post gave a special salute to three Back Mountain mothers, Mrs. Melbourne Carey, mother 14; Mrs. Jay Young, mother of 11 children; and Mrs. H.G. Gallagher, mother of eight children.

Six women's teams from the Back Mountain are bowling in the 13th Annual Tournament of the Wyoming Valley Woman's Association at Ashley Recreation Center, North Main Street, Ashley.

Dallas Area Schools will be represented at the golf tournament District Two held at Irem Temple Country Club tomorrow, May 10, at 8 p.m.

You could buy - Rib roast 69c lb.; asparagus 39c lg. bch.; cucumbers 5-25c; bread 17c loaf; frozen Fordhook limas, 2 10-oz. pkgs. 39c; pepper 4-oz. 29c.

20 Years Ago - May 9, 1968

Opponents to the idea of a sewage system for Oak Hill and additional properties will attend a meeting of Lehman Supervisors at the Lehman Fire Hall Friday night at 8 p.m. to present their petition.

George McCutcheon and Doris Mallin presented the first bound copy of the Sesquicentennial Memory Book to Fred Hennebaul, Huntsville Road, Dallas. Mrs. Mallin supervised the publication of the book, McCutcheon was chairman of the Sesquicentennial and Hennebaul was honorary chairman of the Olde Dallas Sesquicentennial.

Library Auction Chairman Donald Anthony announced that the Kick-off Dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 7 p.m. at the Country Club.

Sweet Valley Fire Company lays plans for big Memorial Day parade.

Hayfield House Campus, Pennsylvania State's newest campus at Lehman, will be in full operation by the opening of classes in the Fall, and local homeowners will be asked to house students.

A crowd gathered Wednesday night for the ground-breaking ceremonies of the new Dallas Junior High School.

Dallas and Lake-Lehman each won games Monday night in the Luzerne County Scholastic Baseball League. Lake-Lehman downed Bishop O'Reilly 11-3, and Dallas defeated Nanticoke 11-10.

You could buy - Pork butts 45c lb.; chicken legs 45c lb.; Fla. sweet corn 6 ears 49c; Calif. strawberries dry pint 39c; whole wheat bread 2 1-lb. pkgs. 83c.

10 Years Ago - May 4, 1978

Harveys Lake Taxpayers Association this week issued a survey questionnaire to residents asking them to rate local council members and inviting opinions on local issues.

Back Mountain firemen plan a fire school May 13 and 14 at the gravel pit on Old Lake Road, Harveys Lake.

Representatives of the Harveys Lake American Legion, borough council, Lions Club and PennDOT met Monday to discuss plans for relocation of the American Legion Honor Roll of World War II veterans from the area.

Mrs. Robert Cartier, president of Gate of Heaven Parent-Teachers Guild, reported that 258 donated blood to the recent blood drive held at the school.

Back Mountain Recreation Council announced full support of the Senior Olympics, to be held at College Misericordia, May 5 and 6.

Lake-Lehman's softball team edges Seton Catholic 10-9 to continue its winning streak.

West Side Tech takes Dallas Mountaineers 6-2 behind the pitching of John Kush, who gave up only five hits.

Back Mountain Elementary Wrestling Club plans freestyle tournament, May 19, at the Dallas Senior High School.

Married - Florence Jane Jamison and Bruce Smyth Davies, III.

Deaths - Raymond Bolton, RD 1, Dallas; James E. Denniston, Chase Road, Shavertown; John A. Stoffo, Dallas; Lee Zimmerman, White Birch Trailer Park, Dallas.

You could buy - Chuck roast \$1.19 lb.; frozen peas 3 10-oz. pkgs. \$1; Dawn Liquid Detergent 22-oz. bot. 79c; Coca-Cola 2 liter bot. 79c; oranges 10-\$1; Birdseye Cool Whip 9-oz. cont. 59c.

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