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## 'Red' Jones will run for county commissioner

Joseph "Red" Jones, a Republican from Lehman Township, will announce his candidacy for Luzerne County Commissioner on Saturday, January 5 at 10 a.m. at the Kingston Borough Municipal Bldg., Wyoming Avenue, Kingston.

Jones currently serves on the Lake-Lehman School Board and has been on the board since 1981 and served as president in 1984 and 1985.

In announcing his candidacy Jones said, "I am adamantly opposed to the County Government getting involved in a County owned and operated landfill business and creating another authority. Because Governor Casey issued an executive order which demands that no more than 30 percent of the garbage in state landfills can be imported from out of state, and because recycling is mandatory, there was absolutely no reason for the county to spend \$156,000.00 for Malcom Pirnie of Chadds Ford.

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JOSEPH 'RED' JONES

## Local soldiers morale good despite cancelled leaves

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Back Mountain residents stationed with Operation Desert Shield are reporting that leaves planned for February have been cancelled.

At one time Peter Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Williams of Shavertown, and a member of the U.S. Navy stationed aboard the U.S.S. Guam in a bay off Saudi Arabia, had been hoping to come home for Christmas. Williams has been in the Mideast since August.

But that plan changed and Williams was told he would return to the States in February when he would first spend time in California for more training and then be given a leave to visit his parents about Feb. 18.

Then on Christmas Eve Williams called his parents to wish them a Merry Christmas, but he also had some disappointing news for them. He told them that his leave had been cancelled and his time in the Mideast had been extended to April or May.

"His morale seemed to be fine," said Mrs. Williams, "But he said it is frustrating just waiting and not knowing what is going on. We seem to know more about the subject then the men and women over there know," she said.

"We had received several letters from him, then we had none at all for about a month, but Dec. 26 we received one. Sometimes we receive several at one time, I hope the whole thing is settled soon."

### Hutchins gains promotion

John Hutchins, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchins, Cigarski Road, Lehman, has received a promotion to E-4 in the United States Navy since arriving in the Mideast among the early service personnel to be sent over.

His parents received a letter Dec. 26 in which he wrote that he is

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PETER WILLIAMS



LISA WILLIAMS

## Landon, Buckley called up for active duty

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

Two Back Mountain men are among the 402nd Military Police Unit who left January 3 for Camp Pickett, VA, possibly enroute to join Operation Desert Shield.

Thomas Landon of Kunkle and Jim Buckley of Haddonfield Hills are among those in the unit which was alerted. Buckley, formerly employed by Acme Markets, is the unit administrator and with the others was activated January 3.

Buckley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Buckley of Davenport Street, Dallas. He is married to the former Jo-Carol Birnstock. The couple have two sons and a daughter.

"We are a prisoner of war unit," Buckley said. "Exactly where we will be shipped and when has not been told to us as yet. We will receive those orders when we arrive at Camp Pickett. At

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## Alice Summa clocks out after 23 years

By CHARLOT M. DENMON  
Staff Writer

R.N. Fitch & Sons Inc. lost their "right arm" last Friday, December 28, when Alice Summa retired after 23 years as the company's secretary.

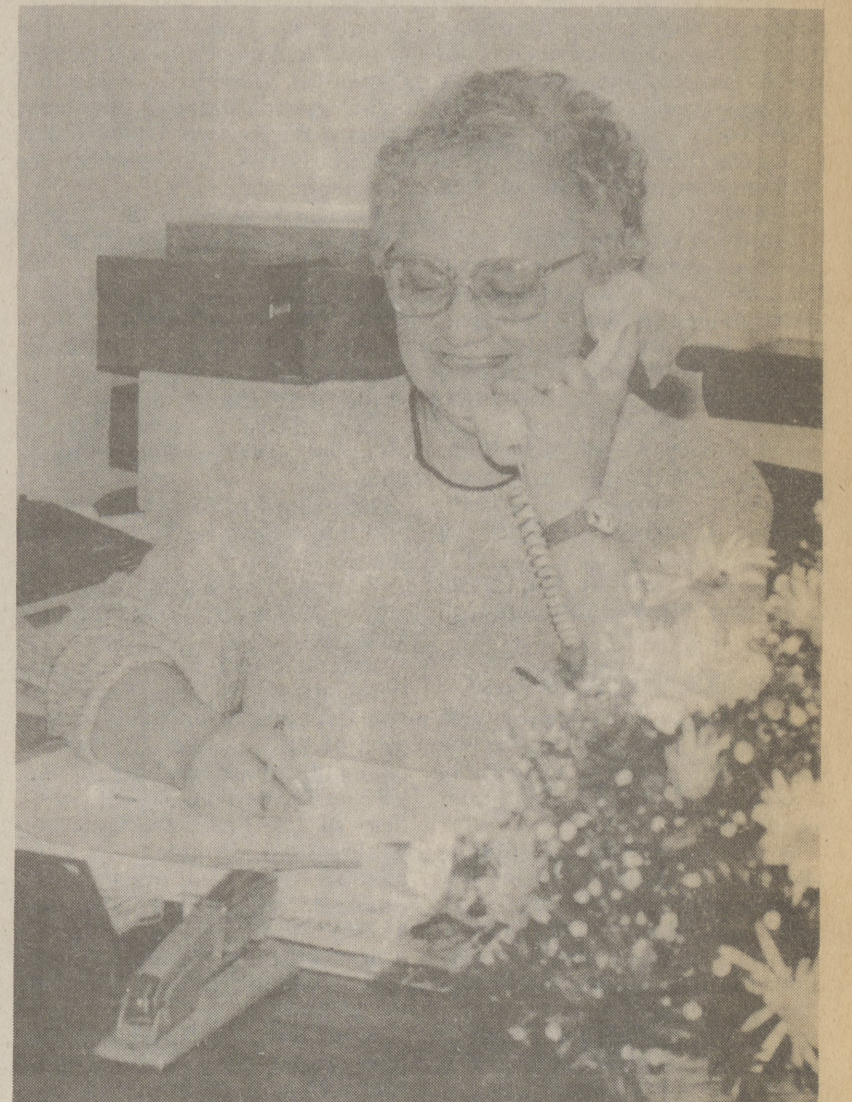
That's exactly how the Fitch brothers refer to Alice. "Alice has a very special personality and knows how to handle the customers," said Drew Fitch. "She is like a member of the family and this is a family business. It will be like losing a right arm when Alice goes."

"We won't get anyone to replace Alice but will look for someone to work in the office."

Alice came to work as a part-time secretary to the sons' father, Ralph Fitch, in October, 1967 when the office for the business was in his house. In 1972 the boys took over the business and incorporated as R.N. Fitch & Sons Inc. They first moved the office to the garage building in back of the house, then as their business grew the three brothers tore down that building and constructed the large, modern building which has a huge storage area for supplies, an area for large equipment and a vehicle area. In the front of the building are the offices, the secretary's office and reception area, and the brothers' offices.

"The business has grown im-

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23 YEAR RETIREE - "It's like losing your 'right arm' said Drew Fitch referring to secretary Alice Summa's retirement from the business after 23 years. It won't be the same without her." Above, Alice answers a call from a customer last Friday following the snowstorm that hit the Back Mountain area. In front of her to her left is a floral bouquet sent to her by the Fitch Brothers. (Post Photo/Charlot M. Denmon)



### She's not homeless

This hen seems to have laid claim to a stall in a Lehman barn. (Post photo/Charlotte Bartizek)

## Jackson budget up 18%, no tax hike

By RICH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

There will be no change in tax rates for Jackson Township residents next year.

The township board of supervisors approved the 1991 budget at a special meeting last week. The new budget totals \$508,080.34, an increase of more than \$77,000 over 1990.

Revenues are expected to match the increase in expenditures, and the township's real estate tax will

remain at 3.5 mills.

Like many municipal budgets, the majority of the expenditures will go to police and roads. Almost 35 percent of the budget will be spent on roads as \$177,405 has been allocated for road work.

The police force will receive more than \$91,400, or approximately 18 percent of the township funds.

On the revenue side, the township is hoping to receive a grant of nearly \$64,000 to be used for the proposed recreation area. This year

the township has received \$57,000 in grant money to be spent for the program.

The board wrapped up its 1990 business with the passing of the budget and the supervisors will begin the new year with a reorganization meeting on Jan. 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jackson Township Fire Hall on Chase Road.

Following the reorganization meeting the board will hold its regular monthly meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m.

## Vandalism prompts increase in patrols at Harveys Lake

By RICH JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Harveys Lake police will once again be stepping up patrols in an effort to control the latest wave of vandalism to hit the borough.

Borough residents have recently been plagued by vandals who use B-B guns to shoot out car windows. Police reports show that six cars were vandalized in a four-day period.

Police believe all the damage may have been caused by the same person or persons, as the incidents all occurred near one another.

From December 23 through the

27 three cars were damaged on Carpenter Road, two cars on Outlet Road and one car on Sunset Road. All of the incidents occurred

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