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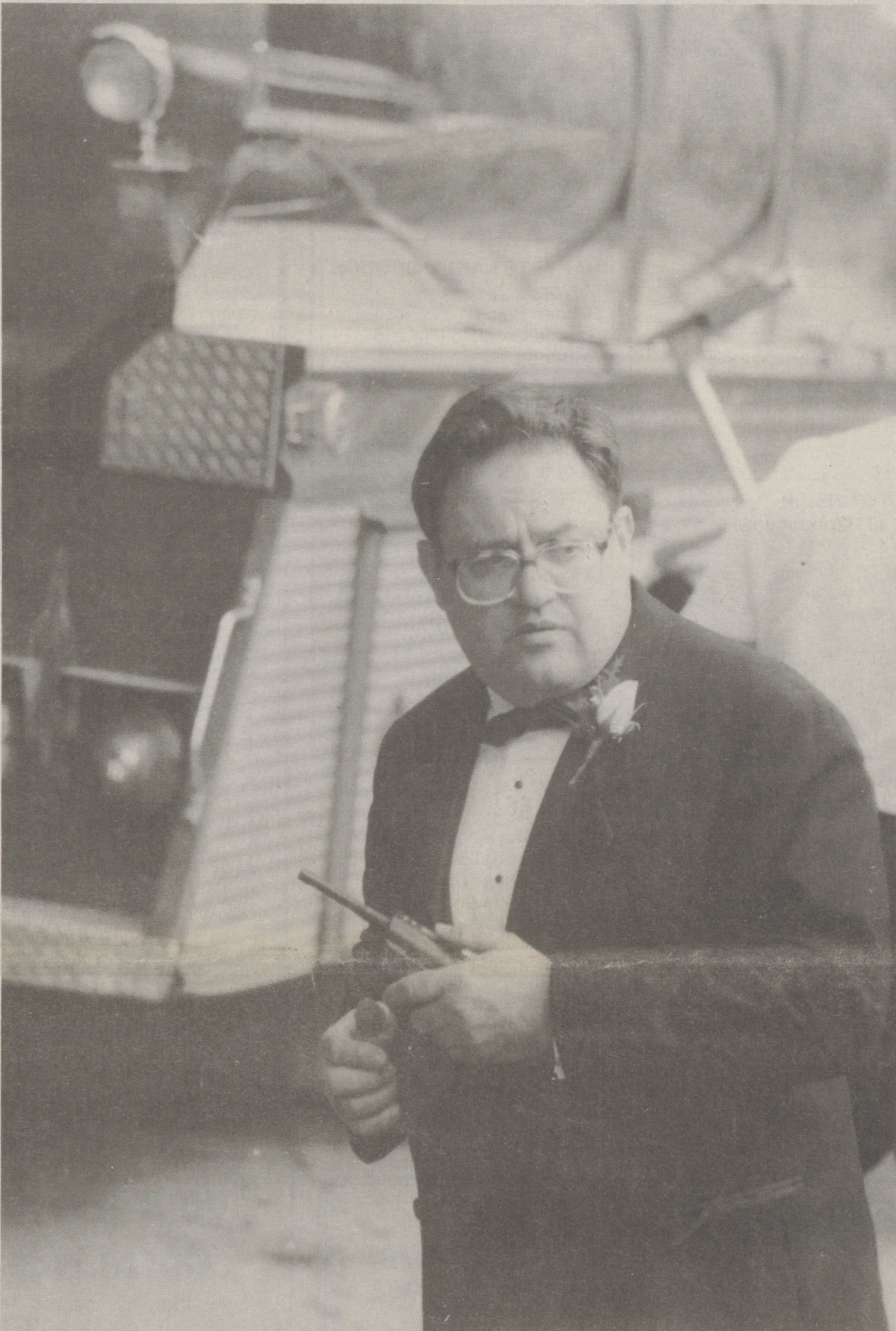
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Fire Chief..and father of the bride



When the fire alarm sounded the afternoon of Saturday, May 22, Dallas Fire Chief Bob Besecker responded, looking sharp in a tuxedo because he came directly from his daughter's wedding reception. Besecker and his wife, Peggy, returned to the reception after seeing that things were under control. The fire, in an unoccupied house in the Maplewood Heights section of Dallas Township, has been labeled suspicious and the state fire marshal's office is expected to investigate.

POST PHOTO/IRON BARTIZEK

Tupper startled by size of win

Will sell his beer business

By DAVE KONOPKI
Post Correspondent

Jim Tupper received dozens of telephone calls last Tuesday but one was the most telling.

Surrounded by more than 100 friends and family members at the Irem Temple Country Club, Tupper, a candidate for District Justice, picked up the phone at 9:30 p.m. and was informed that he had just won the vote in Dallas Township, the home base of his opponent, Dallas Township police chief Carl Miers.

Jim Tupper was going to be the Back Mountain's new District Justice, eventually tallying two votes for each one garnered by Miers.



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JIM TUPPER

Rules few for boat operators

A 4-year-old can legally pilot a speedboat in Pennsylvania

By GRACE R. DOVE
Post Staff

With the approach of warm weather and the boating season, the Harveys Lake Borough Council is considering an ordinance which would prohibit boats on the lake from traveling fast enough to create a wake after dusk.

On a busy weekend, several hundred boats at once can be on the lake, according to Deputy Waterways Conservation Officer Paul Grimes, who also serves as the borough's codes enforcement officer.

"I've never stopped to count," he said from his vantage point on the bridge over the Inlet, where he and another officer could easily observe incoming and outgoing boat traffic, occasionally good-naturedly asking boaters to slow down coming under the bridge.

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"We have relatively few problems," he added. "Most people obey the rules of the road."

"I've been out on the lake myself after dusk, and I know that it can be hard to see the required lights on other boats until you're practically on top of them," said councilman Richard Boice.

"The problem is that while some people are sitting out in the middle of the lake doing some night fishing, sometimes other boaters out for an evening's ride are going too

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Memorial Day events planned around area

By GRACE R. DOVE
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During Memorial Day weekend, May 28-31, several Back Mountain municipalities will host special observances.

Friday, May 28:

• Sweet Valley: The Sweet Valley Fire Company's annual carnival begins at 5 p.m. behind the Ross Twp. Elementary School.

Saturday, May 29:

• Jackson Township: The annual memorial service with firing squad and guest speakers The Very Rev. Herbert Nahas and Captain Kevin Miller of the 109th Field Artillery, sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Jackson Township Volunteer Fire Company, will begin at the memorial at the Jackson Township Fire and Ambulance Hall on Chase Road at 2 p.m.

• Sweet Valley: The Sweet Valley Fire Company's annual carnival opens at 5 p.m. behind the Ross Twp. Elementary School.

Sunday, May 30:

• Oakdale: The Oakdale Cemetery Memorial Association will hold a memorial service at the Oakdale Church at 7:30 p.m., to honor the memory of soldiers and civilians who have passed away this year.

Monday, May 31:

• Oakdale: The Oakdale Cemetery Memorial Association will hold a memorial service with firing squad, at the cemetery at 10:30 a.m., followed by a roast beef dinner in the church hall between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

• Dallas Borough: The annual Dallas Memorial Day parade will begin at 9 a.m. at the Daddow-Isaacs Post 672 and proceed down Route 415 for a short service at the Honor Roll at Dallas Corners, followed by services at Woodlawn and Chapel Hill cemeteries.

• Sweet Valley: The Sweet Valley Fire Company's annual carnival opens at 10 a.m. behind the Ross Township Elementary School. The parade begins at 1:30 p.m.



GOLD MEDALISTS - Back Mountain students at West Side Tech who recently won gold medals for television production at the Pennsylvania State Skills Olympics show off their wards with their teachers, from left: Sean McDonough, audio-visual instructor; senior Steve Hoover; senior Dan McCoy and Stephen Stahl, administrative director of West Side Tech.

Tech students head for national meet

By GRACE R. DOVE
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Two West Side Area Vocational-Technical School students, Steve Hoover of Trucksville and Dan McCoy of Franklin Township, will be heading to Louisville, Kentucky with video in hand after winning a gold medal for television communications at the Pennsylvania Skills Olympics, a statewide competition held at Lebanon

County Area Vocational-Technical School.

Steve and Dan will represent Pennsylvania at the National Vocational-Industrial Clubs of America conference June 21-27.

Seniors and best buddies who do everything together, Steve and Dan had been selected by their teacher in communications, Sean McDonough, to compete.

The competition had two phases: a general knowledge test

on television production and the history, pledge and symbol of the Vocational-Industrial Clubs of America, followed by a practical knowledge demonstration.

"We had 2-1/2 hours to produce a 30-second promotional video on an assigned topic," Steve said. "Our topic was the building maintenance competition. It was tough - they had gotten off to a

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