Obituaries

KENNETH P. CRISPELL SR.

Kenneth P. Crispell, Sr., 71, of Beaumont died Feb. 1, 1995, at Towanda Memorial Hospital.

Born in Beaumont, he was the son of the late John and Helen Hoover Crispell.

He was a graduate of Beaumont schools and attended Mansfield State College for two years.

For more than 40 years, he resided in Luzerne where he coowned and operated Bibwells Garage, later known as Crispell's.

After retiring in he moved to Beaumont and lived there for 10 years. He then moved due to illness to Warren Center, where he lived with his daughter, Edith Fassett for a year.

He was preceded in death by brother, John and sister, Letha Race.

Surviving in addition to his daughter, are sons, Kenneth Jr., Beaumont; Claude, Burdett, NY; daughter, Carol Riaubia, Sweet Valley; 13 grandchildren; two great grandchildren; brother, Albert, Levittown; sister Alma Brown, Beaumont; several nieces and nephews.

Interment, Beaumont Cemetery.

ALBERT ECKMAN

Albert Hanford Eckman of Ocala, Fla., died Feb. 4, 1995 at home following an illness.

Born in Jamestown, NY, he was a son of the late Martin Albert and Sigrid Ahlquist Eckman.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Elizabeth Lawson.

He was employed for many years as a superintendent and general manager by Pier Aircraft in Lock Haven and Oklahoma. He was also a general manager of Coal-O-Matic Co., Trucksville, during the 1950s.

In 1960 he left for Florida, where he became active in Chamber of Commerce work.

He was a past president of the Dallas Rotary Club.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lois White Bahnick; sons, Kenneth, Ocala, Fla; Hanford L. Shavertown; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sisters, Hazel Anderson and Agnetta Johnson, both of Jamestown, NY. Memorial contributions may be

made to Hospice of Ocala, Fla.

JODI GRUVER

Jodi L. Gruver, 24, of Alderson Road, Kunkle, died Feb. 2, 1995, at home following an illness.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was a daughter of Jean Marie Hohol Gruver, Kunkle and James L. Gruver Sr.

RALPH KAZOKAS SR. Ralph B. Kazokas Sr., 72, of RR

2, Hunlock Creek, Lake Silkworth, died Feb. 4, 1995 at Meadows Nursing Center, Dallas.

Born in Luzerne, he was a son of the late George and Agnes Kazokas. He had resided at Lake Silkworth for the past 48 years.

He was employed as a coal miner for various mines in the Wyoming Valley for 30 years and owned and operated a dairy farm at Lake Silkworth.

He was a member of St. Casimir's Church, Lyndwood.

He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was a member of Daddow-Isaacs American Legion Post 672, Dallas; and Veterans of Foreign Wars Anthracite Post 2833, Kingston.

He and his wife the former Frances Klansek, celebrated their 48th wedding anniversary Nov. 23.

He was preceded in death by several brothers and sisters.

Surviving in addition to his wife,

Private memorial services will family.

The family requests that memorial contributions may be sent to the Meadows Nursing Center

MARTHA MacMEEKIN

Martha MacMeekin, 102, formerly of North Main St., Wilkes-Barre and Elmcrest Drive, Dallas died Feb. 5, 1995 in Dorrance Manor Rehabilitation Center, Kingston.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, she was the daughter of the late James Alexander and Ida Augusta Mac-Meekin.

She was a member of the Shavertown United Methodist Church. She was a former member of the Derr Memorial Church and United Methodist Church, both in Wilkes-Barre.

She was inducted into the Pennsylvania Century Society by former Gov. Robert Casey on her 100th birthday and received the Gold Seal Certificate from President and Mrs. George Bush. She was preceded in death by her brother, Marvin MacMeekin. Interment will be in Hollenback Cemetery, Wilkes-Barre.

DOUGLAS SMITH



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Auxiliary, 55W. Center Hill Rd., Dallas, 18612.

She was a graduate of Dallas High School, attended Luzerne County Community College and West Virginia University.

She was employed as a trainee with Franklin First Savings Bank, Wilkes-Barre.

She was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas and Delta Gamma Sorority at West Virginia University.

Surviving in addition to her parents are brother, James L. Jr., Harveys Lake; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Tregan, Luzerne; paternal grandmother, Anna Gruver, Courtdale; fiance, John Wertman, Dallas.

Interment, Chapel Lawn Memorial Park, Dallas.

All memorial contributions may be made to the Jodi L. Gruver Cancer Fund c/o Franklin First Savings Bank, Dallas Shopping Center, Dallas 18612.

ROBERT SUMMERS

Robert Summers of Cliffside Avenue, Trucksville died Feb, 3, 1995 at Mercy Hospital, Wilkes-Barre.

Born in Philadelphia, he was a son of the late Clyde and Elizabeth Silvers Summers.

He resided in Trucksville since 1957. He was a member of the Trucksville Volunteer Fire Co. and an active member of the Luzerne County Council of the Blind.

He was a retired press operator for Linear Inc., Fernbrook and a member of the AFL/CIO United Rubber Workers.

He was preceded in death by sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Markey and Mrs. Ruth Jacoby.

Surviving are his wife of 41 years, the former Lillian Cobb; daughters, Lois Zabicki, Edwardsville; Dorothy Dalton, Allentown; Patricia Rieman, Bakersfield, Calif.; four grandchildren; sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Hayes, Conneaut Lake; Mrs. Elsie Schnidt, Kulpsville; many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Joseph C. Betz Funeral Home, Luzerne, with the Rev. Gerald Pearce officiating.

MORE OBITUARIES, PG. 2

Doughlas S. Smith, 55, of Newhart Road, Shavertown, Kingston Township died Feb. 5, 1995 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Wilkes-Barre.

Born in Hazleton, he was the son of the late Stern N. and Margaret Griffiths Smith.

He was a graduate of Slatington High School and attended Wilson College Magisterial Training Program.

He was employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a constable. He had also been employed as a truck driver by various area freight companies.

He was a member of the Trucksville United Methodist Church and was a veteran of the U.S. Navy.

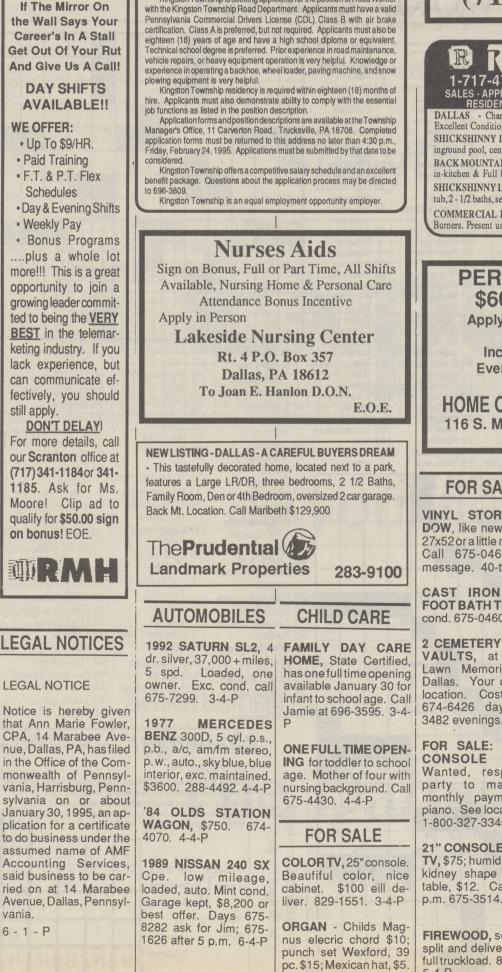
He was a member of the George M. Dallas Lodge 531 F&AM, Consistory in Caldwell Bloomsburg and the Irem Temple in Wilkes-Barre and its transportation unit. He was a member of the Board of Directors of Daddow Isaacs American Legion Post 672, Dallas, the Pennsylvania Constables Association, the Jackson Township Fire Co. and the Back Mountain Police Association.

Surviving are a son, Stern N. at home; daughters, Corrine Anderson, Harveys Lake; Pamela Spencer, Dallas; brother, Malen J., Charlotte, NC; four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday from the Richard H. Disque Funeral Home, 672 Memorial Highway, Dallas, with the Rev. Charles Naugle, pastor of the Trucksville United Methodist Church officiciating.

Interment will be in Memorial Shrine Park, Carverton, Kingston Township.

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