

#### 60 Years Ago - June 11, 1937 **POLITICS BLAMED FOR BLOCKING BY-PASS**

The buck having been passed neatly to them, Luzerne County Commissioners this week held the sfate of the Luzerne-by-pass in their hands. Annoyed by The Post's intimation that politics is partly responsible for the delay in constructing a road which everyone seems to agree is necessary. Democratic leaders blamed the Republic County Commissioners for blocking the project because they have not appropriated money for property damages.

With "Save The Historical Society" as their battle cry, a group of public-spirited volunteers this week launched a campaign to enlist 1,000 new members into the Wyoming Historical and Geological Society.

#### 50 Years Ago - June 13, 1947 **HOWARD WOOLBERT** AWARDED BUS CONTRACT

Howard Woolbert was awarded the contract for School Bus Rte. 2 which terminated at Shavertown Grade School at the meeting of Kingston Township School Board on Wednesday evening. Isaac Corson was released from his con-

tract. Board also instructed Principal James Martin to get further information on the cost of teachers and equipment for establishment of a kindergarten.

Technicians of the Lavelle Aircraft Corp. are dismantling the seaplane which crashed at Harveys Lake prior to shipping it to the factory for rebuilding. The plane floating upside down at the Picnic Grounds was righted last week with equipment of Conn Construction Co. pumped dry and towed to Sandy Beach where Chief of Police Swanson beached it.

You could get - Standing rib roast, 45¢ lb.; turkeys, 45¢ lb.; Bing cherries, 39¢ lb.; cucumbers, 5¢ ea.; cantaloupes, 15¢ lb.; new cabbage 7 1/2¢ lb.

#### 40 Years Ago - June 14, 1957 REV. KANE APPEALS FOR **VOLUNTEERS AT GOH**

Rev. Francis A. Kane, pastor of Gate of Heaven, Dallas and Our Lady of Victory, Harveys Lake, appealed for volunteers to work on the Gate of Heaven School Expansion Campaign. This campaign with a minimum goal of \$100,000 was organized to help defray the cost of constructing the new wing to the school.

In the death of Dr. Harry A. Brown, general practitioner for 54 years, the community has suffered an irreparable loss. He brought three generations into the world.

Dallas Post Plant will be closed the entire week of June 28-July 8 to give its employees one week of their annual two weeks vacation. The Dallas Post will not be issued that week for the first time in 68

#### 30 Years Ago - June 8, 1967 LAKE-LEHMAN BAND **CAPTURES TOP TROPHY**

The Lake Township Board of Supervisors, received a letter from Thomas Georges notifying the group that their community has received a priority from the Pa. Dept. of Health. Much discussion was held on the zoning of the township with Solicitor Ben R. Jones III advising the board that an ordinance could be in effect by the end of the summer or early

The Lake-Lehman Award winning band captured the top trophy at Sherbourne, NY June 3, to receive a first champion award in concert class AA with the highest score ever earned 97 out of 100 points. Forty top bands from all over New York attended the event.

Mr. and Mrs. F.R. Searfoss observed their 55th wedding anniversary June 5. The couple were married at State College by Rev. James McHendrick.

#### 20 Years Ago - June 9, 1977 **RESIDENTS PROTEST** ROCK CONCERT AT PARK

Residents of Demunds Corner area were present at the monthly meeting of Dallas Township Supevisors held Monday evening to protest a recent 'rock concert' which was held at Granddaddy's Park owned by Andy Kosek. According to one resident cars began arriving at 2 p.m. and there were still a few people around at 7 a.m. the next morning.

## James

(continued from page 1) lot of good people."

James grew up in the Back Mountain, graduating from Westmoreland High School in Dallas in 1954. After completing two years of college at

Mansfield University, he went

to teach in a New Jersey school. James explains he was able to teach with only two years of school completed because they were so desperate for teachers. "The first class I ever had kept asking me, 'Are you staying?' The previous year they had four different teachers," he said.

James taught in New Jersey for two years before joining the army. After serving there as a teacher, James completed his degree and continued to teach in New Jersey schools. In 1964, he returned to the Back Mountain to teach elementary school at Lake-Lehman.

James explains why he left the New Jersey School system. "I was watching Jersey and the changes that were going on and I didn't like it," he said. "This area has been a great place to rear children. All my family went through Lake-Lehman. It was a good district and I knew it. I wanted to be a part of it."

James served as Elementary Supervisor from 1965-1967 and became Elementary Principal in 1967. Among his achievements, James notes he was the first elementary school principal in the district.

The Lehman-Jackson Elementary was originally designed to house grades kindergarten through sixth, as well as all the sixth graders in the district, but now serves grades K-6 and Ross Elementary's fifth and sixth graders. James feels that being an administrator has allowed him to do more and given him more control over the curriculum. "We always had one idea," James explained. "Whatever we did, we did it for the good of Lake-Lehman children.

"Children still come up and hug you," James said. "They come to school and feel secure here. I'm happy with how the staff has worked." But he adds, "Now I think it's time to leave. I had my opportunity and it was

James came from a family of teachers. His mother was a kindergarten teacher and his father was head of the Dallas Borough School. "I guess I inherited it," he said about teaching. "I lived around it all my life." James decided to go into elementary education because, he said, "That's where the reward is. You see kids grow each vear.

James plans to travel and play plenty of golf after retirement. He and his wife, Jane, have enjoyed traveling in the past, but he notes now "there won't be any restrictions." The couple have traveled to every state in the union including Alaska and Hawaii. James would like to return to Disney World, visit Michigan and Minnesota, and take a cruise through the Panama Canal.

"It's been a good school district and a good place to work," James said. James offers these words of wisdom to aspiring teachers. "Just make sure you like it. You've got to be interested in children because it is a strain. Your reward comes back in the children, how well they perform, and how they remember you.'

## OBITUARIES

### **LOUIS STEIN**

Louis L. Stein, 81, of RR 2, Harveys Lake, died May 23, 1997 at the Lakeside Nursing Center, Harveys Lake.

Born in New York City, he was

the son of the late Louis and Elizabeth Grimm Stein.

He was preceded in death by his wife, the former Clara Kulka. Surviving are sons, William L.

Stein, Loyalville and Frederick W. Stein, Long Island, NY; three grandchildren and a great-grand-

Interment, Washington Memorial Park, Long Island, NY.

# **Library Auction Corner**



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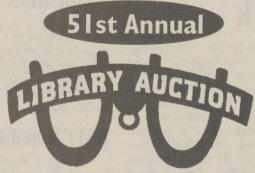
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