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Medical Communications Improvements Proposed

The Greene County commissioners were invited Tuesday to take part in a project designed to improve emergency medical communications on a county and regional basis.

Representatives of the Emergency Medical Services Institute (EMSI) in Pittsburgh said the proposal involves the installation of microwave equipment which would expand and improve communications in three areas — citizen access (911 telephone system), EMS dispatch, and medical communications.

Cost of the nine-county installation would be \$3 million, of which \$2.4 million would be provided through a grant from the Appalachian Regional Commission.

Participating counties would pick up the remaining 20 percent of the cost.

Marty Hinebaugh, EMSI associate director, said the installation in Greene County would cost \$77,657, which would place the county share at \$15,532. Half would be due in 1981 and the other half in 1982.

The county would also be responsible for annual microwave maintenance costs of \$3,200, but Mrs. Hinebaugh said this would be \$5,623 a year less than it would cost if existing and proposed communications systems were required to rely solely on leased telephone lines.

The new communication system would include the installation of micro-

wave "dishes" on Higgins Hill, where existing radio facilities are located. It would also include a new \$23,000 radio console and microwave links which are necessary.

Installation of the new system would make possible communication between ambulances and the hospital and would make it possible to set up paramedic services within the ambulance companies. Ambulance companies, however, would be responsible for purchasing and installing equipment for their vehicles, since this equipment would not be covered by the grant.

Mrs. Hinebaugh said the microwave system could be incorporated into the

existing local police communication system based at state police headquarters. She also said it could be used in setting up the proposed 911 emergency telephone system in the county, and would provide greatly improved communications capabilities in the event of a disaster.

Both Vince McGarvey and Joni Jai Clutter, county EMS coordinator, said the Greene County EMS Council has endorsed the project. It is also supported by Greene County Memorial Hospital. William Groves of Carmichaels, who headed the committee which drew up plans for a county 911 emergency telephone system, said he would favor the program if it would cut down the cost

of installing the 911 system.

Fred Peterson, EMSI director, said that two of the nine counties involved in the plan — Armstrong and Indiana — have already agreed to participate in the program. Meetings are being held with the other counties. He said the EMSI needs an answer as soon as possible so that a formal application can be made to the Appalachian Regional Commission for the grant.

The commissioners indicated they wish to study the proposal further before committing the county to the contribution of \$15,532. They asked that the EMS Council schedule a meeting with the

Greene County Police Communications System Board and with the 911 committee to discuss possible uses for the proposed system.

In another development at the meeting, County Planner Valerie Cole reported that the Department of Environmental Resources has asked the county to define watersheds within the county as a first step toward establishing a storm water management plan for the county, as required by a state law enacted in 1978.

She said she has met with Carl Niederwerfer of the Soil Conservation Service and that he has agreed to assist with the project.



Workmen from the Ben Construction Co., one of the contractors on the Franklin Township Sewer project, put the finishing touches on the last of the collector and interceptor lines.

All Sewer Lines Buried; Operation To Begin Soon

All the lines for the new Franklin Township sewer system have been buried and officials hope to have the system in operation by March 1.

Ben Construction of Pittsburgh, contractor for the \$2.4 million interceptor system, this week connected the final joint of 21-inch pipe on the west side of Ten Mile Creek along the Monongahela Railroad property and completed the pipe portion of the system.

Marsolino Construction of Uniontown, contractor for the \$1.8 million system of smaller lines, completed their work late last year.

Actually the system was to have been completed in September but construction problems slowed both pipe contractors. Ben Construction hit rock as deep as 14 feet in some sections of the township.

Considerable time was spent in the area around the bridge over Ten Mile Creek near the railroad underpass. Because the eight-foot section of rock was so close to the state bridge, blasting was not permitted and the contractor

was forced to chip the rock by using special machinery.

Massaro Corp., prime contractor on the treatment plant along Route 188, has been delayed because of late-arriving equipment. Officials hope to test the facility by February 20 and have the plant operating by March 1.

Despite the long delays, Arthur Hall, engineer for Betz-Converse-Murdock, said the entire project should cost

just about what was predicted. Air tests on some lines remain before Ben Construction is finally done.

When completed, the plant will be capable of handling 500,000 gallons of sewage each day. Presently, the township will generate between 150,000 and 200,000 gallons of sewage per day. Expansion in the township was considered when plans for the new plant were submitted to the Department of Environmental Re-

sources.

Sewage from Waynesburg Plaza and the Greene County Industrial Park will be tapped into the system immediately after the plant begins operation. The new Greene Plaza will be connected immediately after it is finished this spring.

The 500 regular customers will be notified around March 1 as to their total charges including front footage costs and tap-in fees.

Welfare Rolls Decline In Only Two Counties

According to a study by State Auditor General Al Benedict, Greene is one of only two counties in Pennsylvania in which the number of persons receiving public assistance has declined during the past 10 years.

The study was published in

"The Fraud Report," a monthly report on the status of welfare compiled by Benedict and State Senator Richard S. Snyder, ranking minority member of the Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

According to the study, there were 557,159 persons on public assistance in October 1969, representing 4.7 percent of the state population. By October 1979, the total had grown to 942,147, representing 8.0 percent of the population.

In 1969, according to the study, Greene County led the state with 10.7 percent of its population (4,335 individuals) on welfare. Fayette County was in second place with 9.9 percent and Philadelphia was third with 9.6 percent.

By 1979, Greene County's total had dropped to 3,769, representing 10.2 percent of the population, which was the third highest percentage in the state. Philadelphia had moved into first place with 21.8 percent (388,110 people) and Fayette County had moved to second place at 12.3 percent, as the number of persons on the rolls there climbed from 16,735 to 19,247.

Other than Greene, McKean County was the only other

county in the state which saw a numerical reduction, from 4,076 people to 3,769 people, but the 1979 total represented the same 7.9 percent of population as the 1969 figure had.

The report notes that both the 1969 and 1979 totals include the aged, blind and disabled, who are now formally classified as SSI (Supplemental Security Income).

Home Burns; Aid Sought

The Greene County Chapter, American Red Cross, is seeking donations of clothing and household items for Betty Wise and her family who lost their home in a fire Tuesday.

Children in the family range in age from two to seven years old.

In addition to clothing, the family also needs beds, bedding, towels, table and chairs, and cooking and eating utensils.

Anyone wishing to donate items may contact the Red Cross chapter office at 627-3834 weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Carmichaels Council To Reconsider Decision To Buy Borough Building

Carmichaels Borough Council will re-evaluate its recent decision to purchase the temporary borough building in light of estimates on what it will cost to make repairs and renovations which were presented at a council meeting Monday night.

Council had voted two months ago to purchase the building for \$17,500 from

Charles Baily, based on an estimate that it would cost \$4,230 to make the repairs which were needed.

But the building committee reported Monday that extensive renovations are needed which would boost the cost considerably above this level. On top of this, an engineer will be asked to study the building to make an estimate of what it would cost to make any alternations which would be necessary to meet Department of Labor and Industry Standards.

As an alternative solution, President Robert Dobbins asked the building committee to get an estimate of what it would cost to raze the burned-out section of the former borough building shell and to erect a one-story building on the site. Earlier estimates of

what it would cost to rebuild the building were considered prohibitive.

The building committee reported that two contractors had said the basement and first floor of the burned building are still structurally sound. The building committee will also investigate possible channels that could be utilized in rebuilding the structure to bring the cost down to acceptable levels.

Members of the committee are Dorothy Helmick, Joyce Peccon and David Klimek.

Barbara Perkovic, director of the Carmichaels Area Small Community Advisor Program, presented council with a check for \$2,500 to pay for a demonstration project which will involve the purchase of new street signs for the borough and adjacent

sections of Cumberland Township.

She told council she will be soon making her final reports to the State Bureau of Policy Planning, an agency of the Department of Community Affairs, on the status of the pilot program, which has been underway for the past 13 months.

On recommendation of the street committee, Craig Baily's contract to salt and ash borough streets was extended to two years. Baily is to purchase a cinder spreader box for his truck to eliminate manual spreading costs.

James Nickler was reappointed to the Carmichaels-Cumberland Joint Sewer Authority to represent the borough for another five year term. Appointment of a borough assessor was tabled.

Suit Filed Over Short School Year

The West Greene Education Association has asked the Greene County Court to order the West Greene School Board to carry out what it claims was one of the agreements reached in ending the district's teacher strike last October.

The complaint, filed by Ronald N. Watzman, attorney for the PSEA, states that one of the conditions arrived at for ending the 26-day walkout was that none of the teachers would suffer any financial loss because of the strike through a guarantee that the school board would not shorten the school year.

Despite the fact that the school board negotiator was aware that this was part of the settlement, it states, the school board has refused consistently to sign an agreement to that effect.

In response to the petition, Judge Glenn Toothman issued a rule on the school district to show cause within 20 days as to why the petition should not be granted, with a stipulation that a hearing in the matter will be scheduled after the 20 days has expired.

Two Charged With Fraud

A Waynesburg couple will stand trial in Greene County Court next term on charges of welfare fraud.

Hershel M. Rutan Jr. and his wife Emma, were charged by the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare with collecting welfare benefits while drawing unemployment compensation during the first three months of 1978.

Rutan waived a preliminary hearing before District Magistrate John Watson, but his wife demanded a hearing and Magistrate Watson ruled that a prima facie case had been established by the state and ordered her held for court.

The two have been accused by the state of drawing over \$583 in welfare benefits during Jan., Feb. and March of 1978 while at the same time receiving over \$1,500 in unemployment compensation benefits.

If found guilty, both could be ordered to make restitution, pay a maximum \$1,000 fine and/or a year in prison.

A spokesman for the Welfare Department explained Wednesday that the purpose of the prosecution is not to use the courts as a "collection agency," but rather to punish persons who are convicted of welfare fraud.

Records Show Weather In January Was Mildest

The new year has come in like the proverbial lamb in Greene County as compared to the last three years.

During the month just completed, the county had an average maximum daily temperature of 37.8 degrees and an average minimum temperature of 19 degrees. During the month only 11.2 inches of snow fell on the Waynesburg area, where a representative of the National Weather Service, Sam McCollough, daily charts weather statistics. The statistics are used primarily to determine the watershed of the Monongahela River basin.

During January a year ago, a total of 16.6 inches of snow covered the ground in the Waynesburg area and measurable amounts of snow were reported on 23 days, according to McCollough, who pointed

out that there was only one day in January of last year that there was no snow on the ground. This year, it snowed measurable amounts on only 13 days.

The average maximum temperature in January of 1979 was 32.2 degrees while the average minimum was 16 degrees, meaning that temperatures during January of this year averaged 8.6 degrees higher than a year ago.

The most recent "really tough" January was 1978, according to the Weather Service figures supplied by McCollough, who takes his readings at the Waynesburg Sewage Disposal Plant in Franklin Township, where he is employed.

The first month of 1978 saw 37.4 inches of snow fall in the area and the maximum aver-

age daily temperature was 29.7 degrees and the minimum 11.1 degrees. January of 1977 was also a heavier snow month, with 21.8 inches of the white stuff covering the ground.

During 1977, the maximum daily temperature was 24.9 degrees while the minimum average was 3.6 degrees.

Looking ahead to things to come, McCollough noted that last February was not as mild as the month before. A total of 16.9 inches of snow fell. The maximum daily temperature averaged just 29.8 degrees and the daily minimum averaged only 7.1 degrees, much colder than January 1979.

McCollough's figures also revealed that the thermometer has yet to dip below the zero Fahrenheit degree mark this year.

Mt. Morris Authority Receives EPA Grant

The Mt. Morris Water and Sewage Authority has received a \$19,500 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the preparation of a feasibility study as the first step toward providing sewerage service for Mt. Morris and surrounding portions of Perry Township.

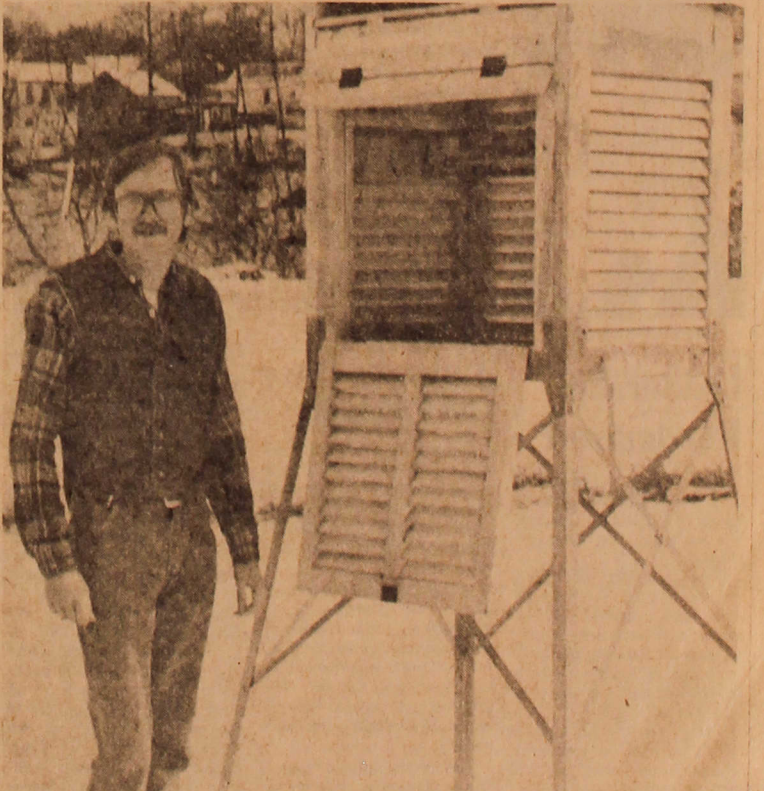
Congressman Austin J. Murphy, in announcing approval of the grant application Monday, said the funds will come from the federal agency under its Wastewater Treatment Works program.

The study will be made by L. Robert Kimball and Associates, an Ebensburg engineering firm, at a cost of \$26,000, with the authority pro-

viding the \$6,500 required to match the EPA grant.

The study will define those sections of Perry Township which could be provided with sewerage service at an economically feasible cost and will also estimate what it would cost to build such a system. Once the sewerage collection and treatment facility plan has been completed, the authority would be in a position to apply to the EPA for engineering and construction funds.

H. B. Arrison, chairman of the Mt. Morris authority, has noted that the community has been under citation for a number of years because of lack of sewerage treatment facilities.



Sam McCollough, who measures weather statistics for the National Weather Service, displays some of the equipment he uses to record daily high and low temperatures and to take rain and snowfall measurements.

Carmichaels Man Seeks Nomination

Dan Bailey, 32, a resident of Carmichaels and a native of Adah in Fayette County, announced Friday that he will seek the Democrat nomination to the seat in the Pennsylvania Legislature which is currently occupied by H. William DeWeese.

Bailey Carmichaels Area School District director, having been appointed in March of 1979 by the Greene County Court and winning the 1979 election to the board.

Bailey, who owns and operates the B&B Clothing Store in Carmichaels, is employed by United States Steel Corp. at its Dilworth Mine at Rices Landing. He is a member of United Mine Workers Local 1980 of Dilworth.

He also is a captain in the Pennsylvania National Guard and is the commanding officer at the Waynesburg Armory of the 2nd Battalion, 110 Infantry, of which he has been a member for the past nine years. He served one year of active duty with the Army at various locations in the country.

He is married to the former Elizabeth McLaughlin and is the father of two children, Janell, 6, and Jason, 10.

Bailey said in making his announcement that he would like to see a larger share of the tax dollars paid to Harrisburg by Greene and Fayette County residents returned to the district. "That was my principal reason for running. I don't feel the residents of the 50th District (which includes all of

Greene County and a section of southwestern Fayette County) get their fair share of the tax dollars which go into Harrisburg. I want to see our people get a return on their money."

He said he started circulating his nominating petitions in both counties Thursday.

At present, Bailey and DeWeese are the only two Democrat candidates known to be seeking the nomination to the legislative seat.

Student Enrollment At College Highest In Five-Year Period

Student enrollment for the second semester at Waynesburg College has reached the highest point of any second semester in the past five years, according to a report released by the office of the registrar.

According to the report, enrollment for the current semester is 801, compared with 775 in 1979. Second semester enrollment had dipped to 709 in 1977.

The increase in winter term enrollment is part of a trend of enrollment increases at Waynesburg College in the past several years. Fall enrollment has increased for the past four years.

Enrollment is one important indicator of institutional growth and stability, according to Joseph F. Marsh, the college president. He noted that all colleges and univer-

sities expect a slight decline enrollment from the first to the second semester.

"The enrollment figures for this semester reflect the college's commitment to providing attractive programs for today's students," President Marsh said.

The trend of enrollment increases at Waynesburg Col-

lege began four years ago with a large increase in the number of new students—freshmen and transfer students—that entered in the fall of 1976. Applications for the fall, 1980, semester are also running well ahead of last year's pace, according to a report prepared by the admissions office.

Sewer Authority Adopts Budget

The Franklin Township Sewer Authority at its meeting Tuesday night tentatively adopted a 1980 budget which calls for \$420,000 in debt service to begin paying for the \$8 million project.

Administration and maintenance costs are expected to be \$143,000 this year.

Three separate user rates were established by the authority as required by Department of Environmental Resources guidelines. Those using city water will be required to pay \$10 for the first 1,000 gallons and \$5 for the next 1,000 gallons or any portion thereof. Non-metered customers (those having well water) will pay a \$20 per month fee.

Industry Recovery Rates, although not applicable at this time, were established for users having contaminants or using over 25,000 gallons of water per day. There are no such users in the township at this time.

The authority also voted to retain the services of First National Bank and Trust Co. of Washington as their depository.

Massaro Corp., general contractor for the treatment plant, was cited for not having a superintendent on the job as required by contract. Author-

ity members voted to withhold \$25,000 from their payment until the situation is settled.

Mail Finally Gets Through

The mail got through Thursday for the new owner of Greene County Dodge at Waynesburg, but it took a court order to get the job done.

The request for the court order was filed in Greene County Court by James M. Facemire, who purchased the business from Richard Patrick of Connellsville, together with the right to continue the automobile dealership in the name of Greene County Dodge.

The complaint stated that Facemire had rented Box 770 at the Waynesburg post office for company mail, but that the post office had had instructions to forward all mail to the former owner at Connellsville.

In response to the petition, the court directed the post office to deliver the accumulated mail to Facemire, subject to possible amendment of the order following a court hearing scheduled for Feb. 8.

CETA Allocations For 1980 Explained

A description of the various Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) programs in Greene County, and a breakdown of how the \$1,568,768 allocated to the county for 1980 will be used, was presented at Friday's meeting of the county commissioners by George K. Stennett, executive director of Greene County Industrial Developments, Inc. Stennett's office administers the programs.

He explained that since Greene County does not have the required population of 100,000 to qualify as a prime sponsor, that it is joined with 22 other counties in Pennsylvania in what is known as "balance of state," making Pennsylvania the prime sponsor for the county.

Greene County, acting on the state's mandate, has created a Manpower Advisory Committee which makes recommendations to the board of county commissioners concerning the various types of programs to be operated in the county. The commissioners, in turn, make recommendations to the Balance of State Planning Council, which then reviews and makes its recommendations to the State Secretary of Labor and Industry. Final program decisions, with recommendations taken into consideration, then rests with the secretary.

One of the major programs in Greene County is CETA Title II, which provides employment in two categories.

Under "services for the economically disadvantaged," the county has been allocated \$529,891, to be used as follows:

Home Management Class at Waynesburg College, \$13,744; Principles of Mining class at county vocational-technical school, \$46,583; Youth In School (education and work experience) program administered by Pittsburgh Catholic Diocese, \$76,499; Adult Work Experience program also administered by Catholic Diocese, \$96,261; Home Improvement Training program administered by Community Action, \$96,463; Class in Real Estate Appraisal, conducted by County-Wide Appraisal and Consultant Services, \$90,647; On the Job Training administered by Bureau of Employment Security, \$52,010; unallocated, \$57,684.

Under Title II-D, which provides funds for transitional employment, the county will have \$272,821 to use to employ people for public service employment.

The county will also receive \$430,784 under Title IV, which is directed toward employment and training programs for youth in order to improve their future employability. Under the title, the county will utilize \$239,764 for an out-of-school youth education and work experience program administered by the Catholic Diocese; \$148,858 for a work

experience program for in-school youth through a summer program, to be administered by GCID, and \$42,162 for a community parks improvement program, also administered by GCID.

The county has been allocated \$335,272 under Title VI, a countercyclical public service employment program. Its purpose is to provide for temporary employment during periods of high unemployment. Fifty percent of the funds under this title must be used only for employment in specific projects which do not extend beyond 18 months. The balance may be used for non-projects.

Half of the funds, or \$167,636, will be used by the county itself to provide public service employment. Of the balance, \$88,344 will be used for a Home Energy Conservation (weatherization) program and \$44,256 for a Housing Rehabilitation program, both administered by Community Action, and \$35,036 for a Community Outreach program operated by the Southeast Greene Community Health Center.

The only other title which involves Greene County is the new Title VII, which aims to

increase the involvement of the private sector (business and industrial community) in employment and training activities. A total of \$1.7 million has been allocated to the 22 balance of state counties which, Stennett said, will probably be appropriated to those projects which seem to offer the best chance of creating unsubsidized employment opportunities for the economically disadvantaged, regardless of county.



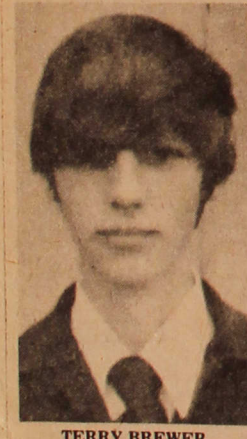
DAN BAILEY

Hay, Truck Are Burned

A 1976 model truck belonging to Larry R. Stockdale, 34, Rogersville, was extensively damaged by fire Monday afternoon.

State police said a load of hay being carried on the flat-bed truck caught fire from the exhaust system about 1:45 p.m. on Route 18, near Holbrook. The Center Township Volunteer Fire Company was called to extinguish the blaze.

Damage was estimated at \$1,000 in a fire which destroyed a pickup truck owned by Holbert (Bucky) White of Waynesburg R.D.5.



TERRY BREWER

Leadership Recognized

Terry Brewer, a member of the West Greene Future Farmers of America Chapter, has received the Keystone Degree.

Only two percent of the FFA members across the state receive such a degree and students must have demonstrated leadership ability and must have earned from their efforts in farming and deposited or invested at least \$500.

Terry, serving his second term as chapter president, was on the parliamentary procedure team for two years.

Last year, Terry represented the county in the State Young Farmers Program in land judging competition.



ENGAGED—Mr. and Mrs. Donald W. Mayle, of Waynesburg R.D.1, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Cindy Lou, to William J. Crayne, son of Mrs. Pauline Crayne and the late Herbert Crayne, of Waynesburg. The bride-elect is a graduate of Waynesburg Central High School. Her fiancé is a 1975 graduate of the same school and is employed by Ross Tractor Sales, Inc. A June 14, 1980, wedding is planned.



ENGAGED—Mr. and Mrs. David H. Stauffer of Rices Landing have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Lee, to Thomas G. Lingenfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lingenfield of Carmichaels. The bride-elect and her fiancé are 1978 graduates of Carmichaels Area High School. Miss Stauffer is currently a student at the Greene County Vo-Tech School in the licensed practical nurse program. Lingenfield is stationed at Great Lakes Naval Base, Great Lakes, Ill. A spring wedding is planned.

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Crimes Increase

Crime in Waynesburg Borough showed a marked increase in 1979 according to Police Chief James L. Rogers. There were 185 serious crimes reported in the borough during the past year and local officers solved 22 percent of them, only slightly below the national average. There were 130 serious crimes reported the previous year.

Lesser crimes, such as disorderly conduct and drunken driving, also rose during the year with 300 reported in 1979 against 181 in 1978. Local officers resolved 77 percent of these crimes, far above the 61 percent national average.

There were 208 adults and 52 juveniles arrested during the year, an increase in each category.

Chief Rogers said goods and money stolen last year were valued at \$139,269, almost double that of 1978. Police recovered \$87,695 in loot.

On a brighter side, traffic accidents were reduced for the second consecutive year. Police investigated 385 accidents in 1979 as opposed to 454 in 1978.

Traffic arrests have almost doubled in the past two years according to the report. In 1979, police arrested 678 persons as opposed to 260 in 1977. Local police arrested 60 drunken drivers in 1979 and 39 the previous year.

Also, police issued 10,770 parking tickets in 1979, a 25 percent increase over the previous year and over 50 percent more than were issued in 1977.

GCID Reports On Activities

A report on the activities of Greene County Industrial Developments, Inc. was presented to the Greene County commissioners Friday by Renardo Matteucci, GCID president, and George K. Stennett, executive director.

As part of the presentation, they previewed a new slide program which highlights the three areas of GCID activities — industrial development, community development, and manpower training. The slide program, they said, is now available to any interested group in the county.

In the area of industrial development, Stennett said that the agency is hopeful that it will have some "good news" in the near future with regard to at least one of two industrial plant buildings which are currently vacant. One is the former Grumman building in Carmichaels and the other is the former Datafold building in the Airport Industrial Park in Waynesburg.

Stennett said that the agency is currently working with "several prospects" which have expressed interest in locating in the county, but said he could not reveal details.

In the area of community development, he spoke of the role GCID has played in obtaining grant monies for the county, with the latest being preliminary approval of a \$463,500 community development block grant for Waynesburg Borough.

Since 1968, he said, GCID has been instrumental in obtaining an average of \$1 million per year in grants for various community development projects in the county, including water and sewerage grants. He pointed out that through various grant programs, for example, the coun-

Silver's Rising Price Helps Empty Consumers' Purses

It's the increasing price of silver, not gold, that will pinch the pocketbooks and wallets of local consumers in the next few months.

While the price of gold has skyrocketed in the world market, the value of silver has also been on a steady increase, meaning the price for dental work, camera film and hospital or dental x-rays is going up.

A sampling of area dentists, hospital personnel and stores that sell photography supplies reveals that as the price of silver has gone up the consumer has yet to feel the brunt of it, but will.

Because the cost of gold for dental work is "out of sight," according to one area dentist, most dental patients are now being treated with fillings of non-precious materials.

Dr. Evan Williams, of Carmichaels, said the metals used are just as durable as gold, but for the dentist or technicians in the dental lab, they are harder to work with. Dentists questioned said they have been using the non-precious metals unless the patient requests gold, or is willing to pay the going price for it, or has already had extensive dental work with gold.

But unless you're planning on having a great deal of gold work done, it is the increase of silver that will have the most effect.

"The biggest thing we've seen is the increased price of silver," said Dr. Bruce Shippe of Snee, Snee, Stacher and Shippe in Waynesburg.

Over the last few weeks silver prices have fluctuated between \$30 and \$50 an ounce. For dentists who paid from \$9 to \$12 an ounce for silver last year, the rate is closer to \$100 now, up from \$22 three months ago.

"When our overhead jumps four times in three months, it's hard not to raise prices," Dr. Shippe said.

The amount of metal used in filling a tooth, incidentally, is measured in pennyweights, or 0.05 ounces. The amount of gold in a crown is from a pennyweight and a half to two pennyweights, depending on the size of the tooth.

Since silver is a raw material used in camera film, amateur and professional photographers are faced with increases for rolls of film.

Local stores report increases from 20 to 35 cents on film while the photography department at the Observer-Reporter office in Washington has seen professional film in-

creased eight and one-half percent. Those pictures children have taken each year at school will be more expensive. Eastman Kodak's school photography film has gone up 30 percent. Even instant color film, which uses half as much silver as black and white, has risen six percent.

Those increases are reflected in x-ray film, which area dentists have seen raised 40 percent.

Michael Flinn, administrator at Greene County Memorial Hospital, said x-ray prices have yet to be raised, but they will have to be. X-ray film has jumped in excess of 70 percent and in some areas, 90 percent. Their suppliers will not sell over a 30-day supply since hospitals with available storage space could conceivably stockpile the film.

The hospital's x-ray department, however, as with some dentists and photography labs, is able to recover some of the silver used in their pro-

cessing. Flinn said this helps to offset some of the material price; once the silver is recovered it is shipped back to the company, much like a deposit on a soft drink bottle.

Even the dental clinic at West Virginia University, where patients are treated by students and therefore part of the material cost is absorbed in its educational program, has had to pass a portion of their metal increases on to patients. Dr. James Overberger, acting dean of the University's dental clinic, said they increased their fees Monday.

There is one happy note to the rise in silver prices. The price of gold, which reached an all-time high of \$865 a few weeks ago, is now dropping. Those who need silver or silver products in their work believe its price will also begin to stabilize. And some felt the increase was not as significant as the continual rise in operating costs due to spiraling inflation.

County UMW Official Reports Harassment

MASONTOWN — James W. Kelly, president of District 4 of the United Mine Workers of America (UMW), which includes all miners in Greene County, has charged coal producers in his district of harassing miners from the district who are retiring because of black lung disease.

In his letter, Kelly also calls for an investigation of the practices of doctors and technicians who are conducting physicals for miners who claim they have Black Lung Disease and asked state and federal officials consider legislation to prevent the claims of the District 4 miners.

Kelly Friday released the text of a letter which he has sent to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the United States Department of Labor, relating to the charges he has brought against the coal producers concerning Black Lung medical examinations which are conducted by the coal companies.

The text of Kelly's letter was:

"As president of UMWA District 4, it has come to my attention from numerous miners who are retiring because of black lung disease that they are being unduly harassed by company doctors, who are examining them on behalf of the company for black lung; of

particular note is the conduct of the pulmonary function studies given in the office of Dr. Shively, of Pittsburgh, Pa., on behalf of U.S. Steel Corporation and others in this district.

These miners have spent many years in dedicated and faithful hard labor, working for the steel companies in their mines. They are now afflicted with the dreaded black lung disease, which will shorten their lives and dampen their enjoyment of their later years. I feel that these men have earned respect and are entitled to be treated as gentlemen. It is absolutely wrong that they be subjected to the type of treatment they are presently receiving at the hands of Dr. Shively's technicians, who scream at them unmercifully and claim that they are not cooperating on the pulmonary function tests.

If these were only one or two complaints of this nature, I might be inclined to pass it off, but these complaints are consistent. My investigation shows that every miner in this district who are subjected to these tests have undergone the same harassment by the doctors and technicians. This is very upsetting to these men, and many of them suffer for days afterwards as a result of

the physical abuse that they are receiving.

As the elected president representing these men, I demand that an immediate investigation be launched into these practices and that this sort of treatment cease immediately. We do not object to the examinations, as we know under the law the company is entitled to have one, but I feel that no miner need be subjected to rudeness, nor be yelled at, castigated and called liars.

I am sending copies of this letter to our congressman and to our state senator, and on behalf of the 9,000 member miners and their families that I represent in this district, I am asking them to consider legislation to cure this insulting practice that our men have to endure after years of devoted service to the companies and to our country. They entitled to much better treatment than this."

NEW AIRMAN

Airman Patrick Terek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Terek of Cameron, W.Va. R.D.4 has graduated from the U.S. Air Force computer operator course at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas. He is a 1978 graduate of Cameron High School.



Wayne Township Supervisors (from left) Charles Decker, John Garrison, George Adams.

Township Has Government, Thanks To Court Action

Wayne Township is back in business.

The 1,318 residents of this southern Greene County township have been without a government since two of the three supervisors resigned their posts last month citing public pressure.

On Friday, Greene County Judge Glenn Toothman appointed John L. Garrison and George M. Adams to serve as supervisors until the first Monday of January in 1982.

Township residents will elect new supervisors in municipal elections of 1981 and they will take office in January, 1982, on a two-year and six-year basis.

Garrison is a Republican and Adams is a Democrat. Kenneth (Jim) Kerr and Truman Calvert, who re-

signed, are both Democrats. Judge Toothman interviewed eleven petitioners who sought the posts. Following the brief swearing in ceremonies by Prothonotary Charles Hogue, Judge Toothman urged the new board members to "give your best effort to bring order out of disorder."

The new supervisors will join Charles Decker, who was elected this past year, in forming a new board. All three were to hold an informal meeting Friday to discuss current problems and determine priorities.

Mr. Garrison, now retired, worked for 30 years in the gas drilling business with M.G. Brummage Drilling Company. He was an equipment operator and truck driver.

He also served on the Wayne Township School Board for six years and took an active part in the construction of the new high school. He has been a life-long resident of Wayne Township.

Mr. Adams, a native of Cleveland, Ohio and a resident of Wayne Township for over six years, was employed in the body shop of Wade's Garage until health problems forced his retirement.

Mr. Adams, following the ceremony, said, "I like Greene County and its people. I feel we can get control of this situation in the township."

All three supervisors agreed the 71 miles of roads in the township are in terrible condition and promised an all-out effort to correct the situation.

O'Rourke Running For U.S. Congress

Kevin B. O'Rourke of Masontown has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for the United States House of Representatives in the 22nd Congressional District.

The 22nd district is comprised of Fayette, Greene, and Washington counties as well as the southern portion of Allegheny County.

In announcing his candidacy, O'Rourke acknowledged he is not known by many voters of the area as well as the huge registration edge against him.

He believes that once the voters listen to what he is saying that these conditions will no longer present a problem.

O'Rourke feels that action initiated in the Congress has a direct effect on the lives of individuals in Western Pennsylvania. He argues that at the present, the attitudes of the majority of the district are not being effectively represented in Washington.

He stressed the need for a re-vitalization of local governments so that they are not as dependent on state and federal red tape in order to function.

O'Rourke feels one of the ways to increase their authority would be in the creation of community supervised works programs, like the WPA, as a solution to able-bodied persons presently receiving public assistance. This would reduce the welfare rolls to only those who were in real need. "Our people would become productive again, and our communities would be getting valuable services presently too expensive for them to consider."

O'Rourke also advocates a balanced budget, emphasis on the private sector in trying to curb inflation instead of the government's present policy of attempting to spend, control, and regulate its way out of inflation.

O'Rourke also is in favor of

increased defense budgeting, immediate re-institution of draft registration, and annual permits placed on allocation of foreign aid.

He also believes that the development of coal as an alternative fuel should be the nation's number one energy priority, along with the continued development of solar and nuclear power.

"If these goals were to be pursued, the 1980s could be the decade when we declare energy independence from OPEC pirates," he said.

O'Rourke is a life-long resident of the district. He studied political science at Clarion State College and also attended the Pittsburgh Institute of Mortuary Science.

O'Rourke plans an active campaign by promising to travel the district throughout the year, listening to the ideas of the voters and explaining his views on the issues to them personally.

Mistake Means More Money For Waynesburg From HUD

Officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Friday morning informed Greene County officials they had erred earlier in the week when it was announced HUD had approved a pre-application for a grant of \$410,000 to the county.

Actually, the pre-application was approved in the amount of \$463,500, an increase of \$53,500 over the amount originally announced. The mistake was caused by a computer printout error at HUD.

The pre-application was prepared by Greene County Industrial Development, Inc. (GCID) for the county com-

missioners who agreed to sponsor the grant request for Waynesburg Borough.

George K. Stennett, executive director of GCID, told the commissioners at their meeting Friday morning that he had been contacted by HUD officials earlier in the day concerning the additional funds approved in the pre-application.

If the county's final application for funds is approved by HUD, which is normally just a formality, the grant monies would be used on a massive revitalization project for the downtown business section of Waynesburg and the creation of approximately 30 housing units for the elderly and those

in low-income brackets within the business district.

The revitalization target area is along High Street, between Morgan and Morris Streets, and will include facade rehabilitation, sidewalk and curb improvements, the possible removal of overhead wiring and utility poles from the target area.

Donnelle Cappriotti, who wrote the pre-application grant proposal for GCID, said Friday she was "tickled to death to hear about the increased funding. It's still about \$36,000 less than what we had asked for in the grant proposal, but I don't think that will cause any real difficulties in completing revitalization project as proposed."

Greene Plaza Prompts Changes In Route 21

A plan for providing access to commercial properties along Route 21 near the Interstate 79 interchange east of Waynesburg which includes installation of turning lanes and a deceleration lane was presented Wednesday to the Franklin Township supervisors and to property owners who are involved.

The most immediate need for the improvement is the upcoming opening of the new Greene Plaza shopping center on the south side of Route 21, as it is expected to generate a large amount of new traffic.

Donald M. McNeil, a Pittsburgh consulting engineer retained by the property owners, presented the plan which he said will meet all Department of Transportation requirements, including the installation of a traffic signal at the new intersection created by the access road to the shopping center.

The total estimated cost of \$95,200, which includes the traffic signal, would be prorated among the property owners on a formula based on traffic volume.

Property owners who were at the meeting agreed to consider the proposal and to respond to it within the next few days. The plan is to formally present the idea to the township supervisors at their meeting next week so that they would be able to apply to PennDOT for a permit to have the work done.

The engineering plan, which has already been reviewed by PennDOT officials in the District 12 office in Uniontown, is the outcome of pressure applied by PennDOT last spring to improve traffic safety conditions on the 8,000 feet of Route 21 between Elm Drive (the access road to Waynesburg Central High School) and the I-79 ramps.

At that time, PennDOT threatened to close all median openings along Route 21 — both paved crossovers and a number of unpaved ones which had developed through use. PennDOT said it was planning to take the action because of a survey which showed the medians were causing accidents.

Following a meeting with

the property owners last July, PennDOT officials agreed to defer action on closing the median openings if a satisfactory plan could be drawn up for eliminating the hazard.

PennDOT created a 40-mile speed limit zone in the area as a temporary measure until plans were made to permanently eliminate the hazardous condition.

Volunteer Firemen Compile Call Total

Waynesburg volunteer firemen in 1979 answered 130 calls in five townships and two boroughs.

Most of the fires involved dwellings (31) with field fires accounting for 26 calls. Firemen were also at 14 emergency situations, 13 business establishment fires, seven mobile home and barn fires, five apartment house fires and 27 auto or truck fires.

Franklin Township had 59

calls with 37 in Waynesburg Borough. Firemen were also called to 17 fires in Washington Township, 10 in Whiteley Township, five in Morris Township and one each in Morgan Township and Jefferson Borough.

The major cause of most fires was attributed to electrical problems or human error. An average of 17 men answered each alarm and 123 hours were spent on duty.

Carmichaels Borough Seeks Property Title

Carmichaels Borough Council has brought suit in Greene County Court to acquire clear title to property on which the former borough building stands.

The action was filed Friday naming the Carmichaels Area School District and heirs, if any, of the late Lydia A. Jennings as defendants.

Mayor Paul Connor, who filed the action on behalf of the borough, stated in the complaint that Carmichaels Borough Council has determined that it would cost too much to restore the two-story brick building, which was extensively damaged in a fire in the spring of 1978.

The complaint also states that the borough is reluctant to spend money to demolish the building, and is not in a position to sell the property, as long as existing deed restrictions stand.

It points out that the building is a potential hazard and constitutes a nuisance since it is a "burned-out hulk."

The complaint explains that when the Carmichaels School District purchased the property in 1893 from Lydia A. Jennings, there was a clause in the deed that it was to be used exclusively for school purposes. And when the Carmichaels Area School District decided the property to the borough in 1976, it included a clause to the effect that the school district had the right to revoke the transaction for a period of up to 50 years if the property was used for anything other than public purposes.

Property Acquired

Waynesburg College has acquired another property on Franklin Street as part of its plans to expand the college gymnasium.

The property, located at the corner of Franklin Street and Fruit Alley, was purchased from Earl W. and Lena King of Waynesburg for \$50,000. It measures 50 by 90 feet.

Janet Cole Receives Award

Janet Louise Cole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Cole of Prosperity R.D. 2, recently received the Pennsylvania Keystone State Degree while attending the State Future Farmers of America Convention held at Harrisburg.

To qualify for the Keystone Degree, FFA members must have demonstrated leadership ability and have earned from their efforts in farming \$500 or have productively invested \$500 or more in their supervised occupational experience program. Only 2.5 percent of the state membership may be awarded this degree each year.

Janet is a student advisor and has been a secretary for two years. A member of many committees, she participates in numerous judging contests at the chapter, county and state levels, participated in

educational tours at the State Farm Show in Harrisburg, and is active in many other areas.



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HUD Grant Shot In Arm For Waynesburg Project

Waynesburg's plan to revitalize the downtown business district got a welcome shot in the arm last week when the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced that the borough's pre-application for a Community Block Grant had been accepted.

Acceptance of the "pre-ap" is virtual assurance that the community will receive the \$463,500 HUD has set aside for the project, which centers around a proposal to provide 30 units of subsidized housing for the elderly on the second floors of several commercial buildings in a two-block pilot area in the commercial area.

It would also help finance repair of dangerous sidewalks, removal of overhead utility lines from the main street, restoration of building facades and some landscaping.

Total cost of the revitalization has been estimated at \$853,500, with the program calling for investment by property owners, local organizations and the borough. The possibility of obtaining additional grants will also be explored.

The project was conceived by the Waynesburg Economic Revitalization Corp. (WERC), a non-profit organization formed nearly two years ago following a series of town meetings to explore steps which could be taken to make the business more attractive and economically viable.

Borough Council, the Greene County commissioners and Greene County Industrial Developments, Inc. have all given support to the program. The borough and county, for example, have adopted a plan which gives participating property owners an opportunity to improve their buildings without any increase in property tax assessments for a period of five years.

Receipt of the HUD grant will provide vital impetus to the revitalization program, with its eventual success depending upon cooperation between the public and private sectors.



Between The Bookends

Marcia McKenna Biddle

I know I have said it before, but I still think Finley Peter Dunne, alias Mr. Dooley, said the last word on everything. With so many of us suffering withdrawal pains due to the end of the football season, it seems appropriate to let Mr. Dooley have the last word again, even though that word was written in 1902.

Mr. Dooley himself was a football player, or so he claimed. But his football was played without rules, without time-outs, and without mercy. The neighborhood boys would meet in an outfield on Sunday afternoons and choose up sides. With 25 or so on a side, "Th' one cap'n'd kick th' ball, an' all our side'd run at it an' kick it back." (Mr. Dooley was Irish, of course, so you have to make allowances.)

"An' th' thin wan of th' other side'd kick it to us, an' afther awhile th' game'd get so tim-pis-chous that all th' lads iv both sides'd be in one pile, kickin' away at wan or th' other or at th' ball or at the umpire—he was mos'ly a lad that cudden't play an' that come out less able to play than he was when he went in. An', if anny wan laid hands on th' ball, he was kicked by ivry wan else an' be th' umpire."

Mr. Dooley laments the changes which have come over the game and describes one game he witnessed between the Christian Brothers and the Saint Aloysius Tigers.

"This here game that I've been seem' ivry time th' pagan festival iv Thanksgivin' comes 'round, sure it ain't th' game I played. I seen th' Dorgan lad comin' up th' street yesterday in his futball clothes—a pair iv matthresses on his legs, a pillow behind, a mink over his nose, an' a bushel measure iv hair on his head. Both sides had their friends that give th' colledge cries:

"Says wan crowd, 'Take an ax, an ax, an ax to thim, Christian Brothers!'"

"Th' other side says, 'Hit thim, saw thim, gnaw thim, chaw thim, Saint Aloysius!'"

"Well, afther awhile they got down to work. 'Sivin, eighteen, two, four,' says a lad. I've seen people go mad over figures durin' th' free silver campaign, but I niver see figures make a man wan fr to go out an' kill his fellow-men before. Wan lad hauled off an' give a lad across fr'm him a punch in th' stummik. His frind acrost th' way caught him in th' ear. Th' cinter iv th' Saint Aloysiuses took a runnin' jump at th' left lung iv wan iv th' Christian Brothers, an' wint to th' grass with him. Four Christian Brothers leaped most crooly at four Saint Aloysiuses, an' rolled thim.

"It took some time fr to pry thim off. Near ivry man iv th' Saint Aloysiuses was tied in a knot around wan iv th' Christian Brothers. On'y wan iv thim remained on th' field. They took th' ball out iv his stummik with a monkey wrinch, an' th' game was rashed. 'Sivin, sixteen, eight, eleven,' says Saint Aloysius, an' young Dorgan started to run down th' field. They was another young lad runnin' in front iv Dorgan, an' as fast as wan iv th' Christian Brothers come up an' got in th' way, this here young Saint Aloysius grabbed him be th' hair iv th' head an' th' sole iv th' fut, an' thrun him over his shoulder.

"'Whut's that lad doin'?' says I. 'Interferin', says Hennessy. 'I shud think he was,' says I. 'an most impudent,' I says. 'Tis such interference as this,' says I. 'that breaks up families,' I says. 'an I come away.'"

CHAPTER BIRTHDAY

The Xi Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi will hold its birthday dinner at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 13 in Rohanna's Restaurant.

Cancellations should be given to Betty Jo Rose. Participating in the program will be JoAnn Schamp, Jeanne Burns and Dorothy Seese. Members are asked to bring their secret sister gifts.

Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



The West Waynesburg team in the former Western Greene County Baseball League that flourished before softball took over is pictured above at their home diamond on the former Fonner Farm where the Waynesburg drive-in theater was located for many years. The team had a winning record and was in contention throughout the season. It was sponsored by Harvey Fonner. Members of the squad were, from left in the first row, Arden Turner, Andy Fabian Sr., Bob Criss, John Fabian, Earl Amos, Donald "Skip" Tewell, George Kern, John Ratulowski. In the same order in the second row they are, Russell Phillips, umpire; Harvey Fonner, team sponsor; Clarence Shaw, John Summersgill, Harry Sellers, John "Yick" Shultz, Kenneth "Bustie" Ward. Don Ward was killed in World War II. Shultz, Russell Phillips, Harry Sellers, John "Yick" Shultz and Andy Fabian are deceased.



Fact and Folklore

John O'Hara

"Oh, Said the Driller to the Tool Dresser, Let's Dance a Jig. Yes, by Golly, if we Tear Down the Rig."

The above was only one of the many jingles which were part of the folklore of the oil and gas drilling industry in southwestern Pennsylvania during the quarter century from 1900 through 1925 when fortunes were being made, sometimes over night, and sometimes lost just as quickly.

The folklore of the industry was brought to southwestern Pennsylvania and spread on down through West Virginia and into Kentucky and southeastern Ohio from the first oil fields discovered in the United States around Oil City north of Pittsburgh.

Its greatest impact in southwestern Pennsylvania was felt in the southern section of Washington County and the middle and western sections of Greene County most of which were farming areas with no industries.

Land owners received one-eighth of the production as royalties from oil wells and long term rentals from producing gas fields. Currently most leases from drilling for gas also give the landowner one-eighth of the production.

Interest in Greene County's possible future gas drilling was suddenly crystallized last week when the Peoples Gas Co., of Pittsburgh, unexpectedly struck an initial flow of

eight million cubic feet of gas per day at a depth of only 1,900 feet in what is known as the "Big Injun" sands.

It later diminished to about five or six million cubic feet per day but the differential in the value of the gas compared to much larger yields when the field was first opened makes it equivalent to a major strike in the "old days."

The word got around quickly and it will most likely bring on at least a minor rash of drilling by other established companies or perhaps a few of the once colorful "wild-catters" who "staked out" their ventures to many small investors.

The Peoples Company's surprise well was intended to have been drilled to about 9,000 feet in the hope of tapping a real gusher in the famous Oriskany sands which has been the state's most productive natural gas producing strata.

In the "first coming" of natural gas and oil drilling in Greene County it was a colorful industry which captured the imagination of the county's entire populace.

The wells in those were drilled by what came to be known as "cable drilling" from the fact that a huge drilling "bitt" some eight feet in length and 12 to 14 inches wide at the flared end was suspended from a high derrick on a large hemp cable at the start of the drilling process. It

was continually raised and lowered up and down until it almost literally "chewed" its way downward to the gas bearing sands.

Water was poured or piped into the well in sufficient amounts to create a sticky, semi-liquid sort of "goo" which was bailed out in a large pipe called, naturally, a "baier" and from which the contents were emptied by a mobile steel plug known as a "dart." It spewed the contents, called sand pumpings, down over the hillside or into a pit near the well on flat ground.

The drilling bitts had to be "dressed" (reshaped) by hand sledging after being heated in a gas fired forge adjacent to the derrick floor. It was a well established fact that a drilling well was "no place for a boy" or a man who wasn't strong enough to swing the 15 pound sledges for 15 or 20 consecutive minutes or have the guts to climb the ladder made of narrow boards

nailed on two-by-fours to the top of the derrick to adjust the pulley on which the drilling cable traveled.

Alas, however, drilling with cable tools is now almost as extinct as the Dodo bird and like the Peoples Company's recent well on the Headlee farm near Garards For in Greene Township, virtually all drilling is now done with rotary drilling machines developed in Texas many years ago.

They drill faster and the three two-man crews don't work as hard as the two-man driller and tool dresser crews who worked 12 hours each instead of the three crews on eight hour shifts.

Somehow or other they lack the devil-may-care sort of free spirit that marked the early days of the oil and gas fields of Greene and Washington Counties and their neighbors across the state line in West (by God) Virginia as they liked to call it before most of them moved to Texas years ago.

Tragedy Strikes Family Twice

A family of six was left homeless for the second time in a year when fire swept through their two-room home in Pine Bank Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Yeager of Pine Bank and their four children, two boys and two girls, lost all of their belongings when a stove in the kitchen of their house reportedly exploded and caught a nearby bed on fire.

By the time firemen from Wayne Township arrived at the scene the home was burned to the ground.

All members of the family escaped the blaze without injury.

Inexpensive Tree Seedlings Available In Packages Of 10

Many people want to plant trees but cannot handle a thousand at a time as offered through the reforestation program of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Forestry, according to Bill Wentzel, service forester.

You can now purchase a small amount of inexpensive tree seedlings from the Washington County Conservation District.

By popular demand, the district is again offering a package of tree seedlings to small lot owners or any person wishing to add a few trees to their home or farm landscape for shade, ornamental, wind-break or any other purposes.

Firemen received the call at about 3:30 p.m.

On Feb. 4, 1979, a home being rented by the Yeager family burned. The home stood between Brave and Pine Bank, also in Wayne Township.

The blaze occurred almost one year from the date when the family lost their house and all of their belongings.

Ann Barnhart of the Washington-Greene County Community Action Corp., is asking that persons wishing to donate clothing and household items for the family, especially the children. The boys are four and seven years old and the girls are two and six.



Under The Dome

Bob Eichenlaub

Since it was first introduced six years ago on the basis of an order by the State Supreme Court, the Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD) program has become an important part of the criminal justice system in Pennsylvania.

In Greene County, hundreds of first-time offenders have been admitted to the program, giving them a chance to have their arrest record removed from the books if they satisfactorily complete a period of probation and comply with other court-ordered penalties, including restitution and the payment of costs in lieu of a fine. But if they are again arrested during the probationary period, they are subject to prosecution on both the new charge and on the original charge.

"When the program was first proposed I thought it would be a catastrophe, but it has worked out pretty well in that it provides an alternative way of handling those difficult cases where the offender isn't likely to come into conflict with the law again," Judge Glenn Toothman said in commenting on his experience with the program. It has also cut down on the criminal court backlog.

The Greene County jurist, however, is unhappy about a bill which is pending in the House of Representatives. It would not only amend the program to open it to second-time offenders, but also contains a clause to the effect that "no penalty which would have resulted from a conviction may be imposed upon the defendant as a condition of participation." It sets a \$50 limit on costs that might be incurred by the defendant as a result of his participation.

At the present time, first-time offenders are admitted into the program by the county only after a hearing has been held, and the court has the power to refuse admittance to any defendant. The district attorney has the opportunity to oppose the admittance of any defendant, and without his concurrence it is difficult to gain approval.

Once accepted into ARD, a defendant is given a probationary term ranging from six months to two years. Special conditions can include alcoholism treatment, mental health counseling and, in the case of those arrested for drunken driving, attendance at driver improvement classes.

Costs imposed usually range from \$100 to \$425, with the latter being imposed in most drunken driving cases since it includes the \$100 they pay to attend driver improvement school. For these defendants, the big advantage is that admittance to ARD means they won't lose their driving privileges, and in cases where a person must drive to earn a living that is a most important consideration.

The proposed law which would impose a \$50 limit on costs, law enforcement officials feel, would virtually eliminate any punishment which an individual would suffer for breaking the law.

Representative H. William DeWeese is among the many sponsors of the proposed legislation, which is now pending in the House Appropriations Committee.

"The State Supreme Court set up the program, and it's almost unbelievable that the Legislature is now imposing itself into the system," Judge Toothman said.

AROUND TOWN

By THE STAFF

Old man winter was creating a pleasant image of himself as a kind Old Man until the past weekend when the mercury plummeted to its lowest mark of the season — nine below zero — last Sunday morning and right on zero Monday. Milder weather is promised by the electronic seers before the end of the week, however.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Victor Carlson of Waynesburg R.D. 2, have returned home from a Caribbean cruise of several historic and scenic ports of interest. The Rev. Carlson, former admissions director at Waynesburg College, has been pastor of a church in Washington County for the past two years and has now rejoined the administrative department at the college.

In Greene County's current lively real estate market it's become a rare occasion when at least one real estate sale is filed at the Register and Recorder's office and often there are many a single day. But on January 29 such a rarity did happen, as none at all appeared for the first time in many months, according to Thomas Headlee, Recorder of Deeds and Wills.

Most of Greene County's creeks were frozen over by the first of the week, which in earlier years would have attracted scores of skaters to the ice, but up to the first of this week not a person could be seen on any of the streams or ponds which now dot many Greene County farms.

Joseph Doody, well-known Waynesburg jeweler, who now resides at Oak Forest, has returned home after spending the past several weeks, including the Christmas holidays at the home of his son, Richard, a retired Army Colonel, at the latter's home in West Lake Village, California, in suburban Los Angeles. While there he lost his constant companion of many years, a Scottie Terrier which had been given him by his wife the last Christmas before her death. The animal drowned when it fell into a pool at his son's home.

Although power operated wood splitting devices — which cost upwards of \$300 — are

growing in popularity, many of the current crop of Greene Countians who have returned to wood as a fuel in the present energy crunch and who were cutting their own wood for many years still prefer to split the long chunks themselves as a matter of personal pride in their ability to do so.

The Rev. Ralph Stack, pastor of St. Hugh's Church in Carmichaels and his long-time friend, the Rev. Thomas Cassidy, formerly of Bobtown, now pastor of St. Titus Church in Alliquippa, will leave shortly for their annual southern vacation prior to the start of Lent. Their destination this year will be the British Isle of Bermuda, a sort of strange vacation spot for a couple of fellows of Irish ancestry.

Two Waynesburg couples, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Milliken and Mrs. and Mrs. Robert Murdock have returned home from a mid-winter trip to the Millikens' winter home in Clearwater, Fla.

Mayor Hosts Fund-Raiser

Pittsburgh Mayor Richard S. Caligiuri will serve as master of ceremonies for an "Evening with Bill DeWeese" fund-raiser to be held from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, in the Carmichaels fire hall.

Dr. Thomas E. Morgan, former 22nd District congressman, is serving as honorary chairman for the affair, which will feature remarks by K. Leroy Irvis, Democratic floor leader of the House of Representatives; Robert P. Casey, former auditor general, and Edward P. Zemprelli, State Senate Majority Leader.

The \$25-per-person fundraiser is not a dinner, but refreshments will be served.

CLASSES CANCELLED
Officials of the Greene County Chapter, American Red Cross announced Wednesday that because of a lack of interest, Red Cross first aid classes which were scheduled to begin Wednesday and continue through March 5, have been cancelled.

Free-Wheeling Jackets Run Past Cal State

WAYNESBURG — Warning: Keeping score at a California State-Waynesburg College basketball game may be hazardous to your sanity.

Remember the first time the two district schools met back on December 12 at Cal State? Waynesburg's Yellow Jackets won a 55-53 double overtime decision which featured a 10-minute Vulcan stall. Staying alert was difficult in that one.

But in the return game here Wednesday night keeping your wits was the problem as the teams gave a near-capacity crowd a taste of the National Basketball Association. And like the December meeting Waynesburg was the winner again, this time by the almost unbelievable score of 106-87.

Six Yellow Jackets placed in double figures, with Rod Wheeler (24), Tim Tyler (21) and Mike Taylor (20) leading the winners. And while the Jackets were busy bringing the home crowd to their feet, Cal State's Don Slappy was putting a gasp in the their collective breath with a 42-point performance.

Unlike the first meeting, Waynesburg never allowed

the Vulcans to set the tempo of the game. The Jackets jumped out to an early lead, and while Cal State failed to fold from contention until late in the second half, CSC never managed to take the lead and force the game to a trot instead of Waynesburg's full gallop fast break.

"We go into every game looking to improve our own game and of course against Cal State we have a little extra motivation," said Waynesburg head coach Rudy Marisa. "I think we really put something together tonight as a team."

The victory raised the Jackets' overall record to 15-2 and raised their stock as an NAIA District 18 playoff contender. Cal State is now struggling at 6-13 overall, and Vulcan head coach Ed McCluskey is still looking for some help for his thin bench.

"We had to go with four guards at one point," McCluskey said. "We just don't have the big men on the bench to help out the guys like (Jim) Walsh and (Seth) Jaffee. When they get tired or in foul trouble we don't have any height to replace them with."

Cal State appeared to be on

the edge of extinction several times in the first half, but stubbornly fought back to cut the Jackets' halftime lead to 46-38. And with 13:57 remaining in the game, Slappy hit a 22-footer to narrow Waynesburg's lead to 56-55. But while Slappy made 18 field goals, most of the from the 20-25 foot range, it was the layup he missed which may have triggered Waynesburg's clinching burst.

Slappy's layup would have cut the Jackets' lead again to one point but Waynesburg then hit three quick baskets before Slappy hit another rainbow jumper from 22 feet, and then clicked for 16 unanswered points to turn a close game into a 78-57 runaway. At that point only two questions remained to be answered. Would Waynesburg score 100 points? How many would Slappy finish with?

"Waynesburg got six points without the clock running," McCluskey said. "They kept going to the foul line and getting the rebound on the missed free throws. We were right in there until that stretch and then they broke it wide open."

The Jackets hit the century

mark when Paul Epps scored with 1:03 remaining but in the final eight minutes of play, Slappy captured the attention of what had been an antagonizing crowd. The 6-0 senior guard from Midland hit seven long jumpers in a row, keeping the Vulcans from being totally blown out of the gym, and finished with a game and season high of 42 points.

"For the past five or six games I've been shooting poorly," Slappy said. "I'm normally a slow starter and recently I haven't been able to break loose. I started out slow again tonight but I finally started to hit a few."

"I just want to try and win so bad for Coach McCluskey that's all. It's time for me to wake up and play ball for the man because he stood by me when I needed him. I just wish we had more help for our inside game. We only have three big men and after that we have to start putting guys 6-1 or shorter on the floor. Against a team like Waynesburg that's pretty tough."

Playing against Waynesburg for the last two years has been pretty tough on any team. The Jackets own the best record this season among

District 18 teams, and according to Marisa are deserving of the success they've achieved over the past two seasons.

"We're 15-2 now and over a span of two seasons we are 35-7," Marisa said with a proud smile. "Now that's not bad. And I'm speaking on behalf of the program. This

team has worked hard."

Mark Hozak was close behind Wheeler, Tyler and Taylor with 18 points while freshman center Tim Walker, who has suddenly blossomed into a starter, scored 12 points. The Jackets shot an impressive 70 percent for the game, which is one good rea-

son for the 106 points scored. Walsh, Cal State's rapidly improving freshman forward, finished with 16 points and 17 rebounds while Jaffee added 11 for the Vulcans.

There is one other bit of news. These teams won't be playing against each other again until next season.

And that should give scorekeepers ample time to recover from these two games.

Cal State—87
Henderson 2-0-4; High 1-1-3; Slappy 18-6-42; Jaffee 4-3-11; Thomas 2-1-5; Walsh 5-4-16; Gwin 3-0-6; Totals: 35-17(24)—87
Waynesburg—106
Wheeler 9-6-24; Epps 5-1-11; Tyler 9-3-21; Taylor 8-4-20; Walker 6-0-12; Totals: 45-16(26)—106
Halftime: Waynesburg 46, Cal State 38
Officials: Giles & Sheffield

Waynesburg Slices D&E

By JIM MOORE
Staff Writer
WAYNESBURG — It looked like a horde of scrappy woodsmen trying to chop down a redwood forest.

When the Davis & Elkins Senators appeared here Monday night they blocked out the light. John Vineyard, a 6-7 center, lumbered his 260 pounds to the center ring and battle was on.

Waynesburg started off fast and kept the pressure on for the next 40 minutes finally wearing the visitors down and taking a heart-stopping 30-78 victory with only two seconds remaining in the game on Rod Wheeler's driving layup.

Within five minutes the Senators had a 17-10 lead but the Yellow Jackets kept fighting back. Mike Taylor, a junior forward from South Park, consistently hit from the 15-foot range to keep the Jackets in contention. He ended the half with 20 points and the game was tied 45-45.

Paul Epps, playing perhaps his best game of the season, aided the attack with eight first half points.

"I was disappointed at halftime because we didn't show enough discipline," Waynesburg head coach Rudy Marisa said. "However, it was discipline on offense that finally won it for us."

Marisa had high praise for Epps' performance. The junior center had been hampered in the early season by an ankle injury and was experiencing a few problems adjusting to the Jackets' running game.

"Paul worked himself out of a slump. For the past two weeks, he has looked like the Paul Epps we knew in the fall and prior to his injury."

Both teams came out of the locker room with the jitters and both teams threw away passes before settling down in the second half. Davis & Elkins last held the lead when Brian Syle stole the ball from Wheeler and scored on an easy layup. Reggie Owens then stole the ball and was fouled on his layup attempt. He converted one foul shot and gave the Senators a 76-74 lead with 2:43 left in the game.

Mark Hozak, who experienced a difficult battle all night under the boards, scored

a few seconds later to tie the game at 76-76.

Waynesburg rebounded a missed shot and Paul Epps forced his way under the basket for a layup and a 78-76 Waynesburg lead with 53 seconds left.

Brian Syle, a freshman guard, hit a 24-foot jump shot to again tie the game. Waynesburg, quickly but calmly, worked the ball down and suddenly Wheeler cut down the middle of the lane and scored with two seconds remaining.

Davis & Elkins took a time out, went back to the court and looked over the Yellow Jacket defense before calling its last time out. But Reggie Owens' half-court set shot hit the gym roof to send the Waynesburg fans into a frenzy.

It was the 17th win in 19 games for Waynesburg. Taylor took scoring honors with 26 points coming on 12 field goals and a pair of foul shots. Paul Epps added 17, Hozak had 14 and Wheeler had

11. Ken Niner, a 6-5 forward, paced the losers with 18 points, most of them coming in the second half. Craig Hamilton, who hit four straight field goals early in the game, ended the night with 16 points. Freshman Dave Kirby, a 6-6 forward, came off the bench to score 14.

Vineyard, who was recruited out of a West Virginia prison, ended the night with 13 points.

Waynesburg shot 56 percent making 34 of 61 field goal attempts. The game was won at the foul line however, with the Jackets hitting 12 of 14 attempts and the Senators making good on eight of 13 attempts. The Senators had one more field goal than the Jackets.

Despite the height advantage by the visitors, Waynesburg grabbed 37 rebounds to 23 for Davis & Elkins. Taylor had nine rebounds and Epps

eight for the Jackets. Wheeler contributed nine assists to lead all players.

Davis & Elkins at one point in the second half attempted to work a four-corner, ball control offense but abandoned it quickly and went back to the run-and-gun attack.

Marisa praised the Senators after the game saying, "They are a talented team. They can run and shoot with the best of them."

Waynesburg's playoff chances became brighter Monday night as Edinboro defeated Point Park 67-65 and St. Vincent edged Clarion 57-55. Both Clarion, Edinboro and Point Park are involved in a close race with the Jackets in the NAIA District 18 playoff race.

Waynesburg will be traveling to St. Vincent Wednesday night after having defeated the Bearcats 67-53 in Waynesburg on January 23.

Raiders Slip Past Blue Devils

By KAREN HOFFMAN
Sports Writer

BURGETTSTOWN — But for the lack of two warm bodies, the Burgettstown Blue Devils could have pulled off the upset of the Class AA wrestling season Friday night.

As it was, they came within a single point of beating defending WPIAL Class AA team champion Waynesburg, which used 12 points on forfeits to fashion a 28-27 exhibition win in the crowded Burgettstown gym.

"This very possibly could have been a preview of the WPIAL team finals," said Waynesburg coach Joe Ayersman. "If so, it will be darn tough for us to repeat."

"It was a close one tonight," he said moments after his heavyweight, Scott Schifko, held Burgettstown's Kelly Suehr to a 5-3 regular decision to preserve the win. "This was a real barn burner."

And Waynesburg, the Section 11 champions, almost was engulfed by the flames.

Discounting the points earned at 98 and 145 on the forfeits, Waynesburg recorded only 16 team points on four match wins. Burgettstown, almost certain to be the Section 9 champs, won six bouts, three of them on falls.

"The forfeits cost us the match," said Burgettstown coach Joe Nicoletta, who made no attempt to hide his bitterness

over the fact that two wrestlers did not show up for the meet. "I had no notification that those two boys wouldn't show up. They have no consideration for the

"Our kids were up for this match. They wrestled hard. But they were mentally down, knowing they were 12 points behind before we even started wrestling."

Once they did start wrestling, however, the Blue Devils dominated the match, getting pins from Jim Lane at 11:24 in 4:38 over Mark Belding; Mike Harvey in 4:31 over John Kuntz at 138; and Mark Marshall in 5:46 over Bill Skelton at 167.

"The falls they got hurt us," said Ayersman, whose Red Raiders now are 12-1 on the year, compared with Burgettstown's 9-4 record. "We just couldn't seem to stay off our backs."

"We expected a close one. It's been close between us the last couple of years. And we've been darn lucky to beat them."

In addition to the pins, Burgettstown got regular decisions from John Lis, 6-2 over Tom Eddy at 105; Jim Orgavan, 7-6 over Gary Haines at 119; and Suehr at heavyweight.

After Marty Stewart won on forfeit at 98, Waynesburg lost three matches before 126-pound Joe Throckmorton retained his undefeated status with a pin in 2:43 over Ringo Fish. The Red Raiders then got four team points on

Kevin Durkin's 9-1 major decision over Rich Lane at 132.

Bruce Bartholomew won on forfeit at 145 to take Waynesburg from an 18-16 deficit into a 22-18 lead and then Doug Haines won a crucial 5-3 decision over Burgettstown's Pete Comis at 155 for a 25-18 Waynesburg lead.

Marshall's pin at 167 brought Burgettstown back to within one point at 25-24 with two matches to go. A pin at 185 for Waynesburg would have sewed up the win, but sophomore Dan McGraw wrestled a heady match in holding Ed Throckmorton to a 5-2 regular decision to keep Burgettstown within winning range at 28-24.

But Schifko, nearly pinned by Suehr in the second period, came back to get a three-point near fall in the third period to settle for a 5-3 defeat.

Burgettstown needed at least a major decision in that match to tie the team score.

"The loss at 155 didn't help us," said Nicoletta, "but Danny McGraw did just a super job for us. He didn't win, but we were thrilled he fought so hard. He showed some good technique for a sophomore. He gave 100 percent and that meant a lot to the team."

"We schedule Waynesburg because they are tough and every year it's a one or two point match. I just hope the points fall on our side some year."

Palone's Leads In Basketball

Palone's holds a slim lead in the Greene County Adult Basketball League. The league leaders have compiled a 6-1 record so far in winter play, but both Carl's Lounge and Rocky's are hot on the leaders' tail with 5-2 marks.

New York Life, Albert's Delite and Trempus are all 4-3. Matteucci's and Colonial are each 3-4. Brownsville is 1-6 and Radio Shack brings up the rear of the league with an 0-7 record.

Ray Sheets is the league's leading scorer, having played in just six games and hit for 147 points. The number two scoring spot is held down by Don Williams, who in seven games has collected 139 points.

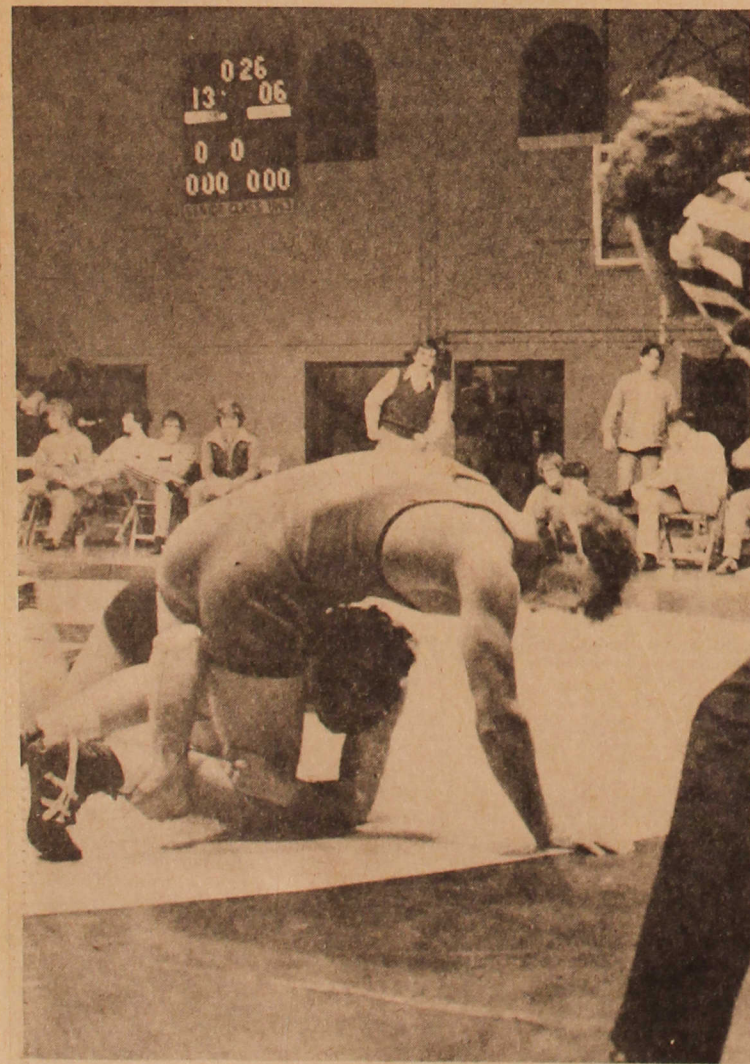
In action this week, all at the West Greene High School gymnasium, New York Life meets Palone's at 5 p.m.; Matteucci's meets Radio Shack at 6 p.m.; Trempus and Rocky's play at 7 p.m.; Colonial and Brownsville play at 8 p.m. and Albert's Delite take on Carl's at 9 p.m.

Raiders, 43-9

WAYNESBURG — The Waynesburg Central High School wrestling team ran its record to 13-1 overall and 7-0 in Section 11-AA here Wednesday night with an easy 43-9 win over Carmichaels.

The Red Raiders used falls by Joe Throckmorton (126), Bruce Bartholomew (145), Doug Haines (155) and Greg Cowell (167) and a major decision by Ernie Throckmorton at 185 to secure the win.

Although the Raiders breezed past the Mikes with relative ease, there was a big upset in the 105-pound weight class when Jeff Baney pinned Marty Stewart in 2:41.



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Diemert Scores Win

Waynesburg College's Rick Diemert shoots in on the legs of California State College's Mike McWilliams during action Tuesday night at Waynesburg College's gym. Diemert scored an 8-4 win over the former Carmichaels Area High School wrestler, but the Yellow Jackets dropped their match with the Vulcans, 30-13. The Jackets return to action this weekend in a 12-team tournament at West Liberty (W.Va.) State College.

Activities For Adults Scheduled

Thanks to the efforts of a group known as the Greene Council for Leisure Time Activities and the Greene County Department of Parks and Recreation, a series of adult activities have been scheduled for the Central Greene School District.

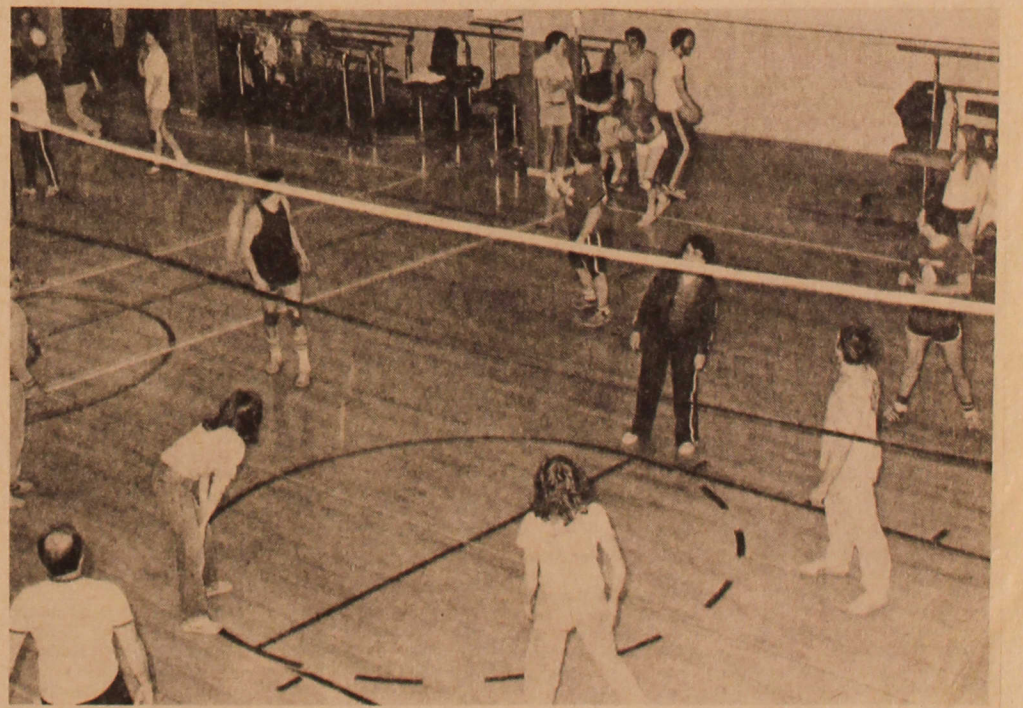
The name of the program is the Central Greene Community Schools Program and its purpose is to make maximum use of the school facilities by the community they were constructed to serve.

During the current school year, the program has sponsored 30 activities which included coed volleyball, swimming lessons, sewing, ceramics, crewel, basketball,

assertiveness training, guitar lessons, slimnastics, aerobic dancing, woodworking, gardening, Egyptian archaeology, cooking, and a number of others.

Beginning this month, the group plans to start an additional 20 activities. A complete listing of the new activities and their schedules will be released in the near future.

Sometime early in March the group plans to announce a Community Schools Open House that will be held in early April. The open house is designed to allow interested persons to have a look at the new Margaret Bell Miller Middle School and to try some of the activities sponsored by the group.



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Coed volleyball is one of the big attractions of the Central Greene Community Schools Program, sponsored by Greene County Council for Leisure Time Activities and the Greene County Department of Parks and Recreation.

County Obituaries

Strosnider

Ralph Austin Strosnider, 74, of 48 Cooper Avenue, Johnstown, (formerly of the Kutztown area) died at 2:25 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6, 1980, in the Lee Hospital, Johnstown. He had been in his usual health and death was unexpected.

He was born March 4, 1905, in Wayne Township, near Kutztown, a son of the late Norman J. and Bertha Stewart Strosnider.

His early life had been spent in the Kutztown and Brave communities and for the last 37 years he had resided in Johnstown.

In his early life he was affiliated with the Pursley Baptist Church and was a veteran of World War II who served with the U.S. Army in the European Theater of Operation.

He was a retired employee of the People's Natural Gas Co. and for several years he was employed at the Brave Compression Station. For the last several years he was employed in the Murraysville and Johnstown area. He was a member of the F&AM Lodge in Johnstown and the Knights Templar. He never married.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Blanche Morris Westwood of Waynesburg and Mrs. Ruth Barnes of Uniontown, a brother Alpheus Strosnider of Pine Bank R.D.1 and several nieces and nephews.

Silbaugh

Alvin A. (Pete) Silbaugh, 75, of Fifth Street, Mather, died unexpectedly at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 30, 1980, in his home.

He was born April 2, 1904, in Somerset County, the son of John and Katherine Daniels Silbaugh.

Mr. Silbaugh had lived in Mather for over 50 years. He was a retired coal miner of the Mather Mine. He was a member of UMWA Local 6330.

Surviving are his wife, Florence Conn Silbaugh, whom he married on October 20, 1926; three daughters, Mrs. George (Janet) Wheeler, of Marianna, Mrs. Paul (Ida Mae) Cerar, of Clarksville R.D.1, and Mrs. Leonard (Faye) Oleschky, of Parma, Ohio; eight sons, John H. Silbaugh, of Gary, Ind., Forrest W. Silbaugh, Bedford, Ohio, David J. Silbaugh, Aliquippa, Barry E. Silbaugh, of Durham, N.C., Ronald C. Silbaugh, Strongsville, Ohio, Alvin A. Silbaugh Jr., of Walton Hills, Ohio, and William L. and Thomas R. Silbaugh, both of Mather; 25 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; one brother, Woodrow Silbaugh, of Braddock; and three sisters, Katherine Silbaugh, of Wilkesburg, Mrs. Jean Johnson, of Deep Creek, Md., and Esther Silbaugh, of Hollywood, Calif.

One son, Robert E., four sisters and three brothers are deceased.

Wade

James McKinley Wade, 82, of Mt. Morris Star Route, Waynesburg, died at 3:15 a.m. Thursday, January 31, 1980, in West Virginia University Medical Center, Morgantown, W.Va.

A son of the late William Sherman Wade and Sarah Effie West Wade, he was born June 12, 1897, in Cassville, W.Va., and had resided most of his life in the Mt. Morris area. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, Blanche Roderick Wade; a son, Robert Sherman Wade of Mt. Morris; two daughters, Mrs. Janet A. Todd of Morgantown, W.Va., and Mrs. Harry (Linda) Burkett of Moundsville, W.Va.; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Recie I. Moore, who made her home with her brother.

Miller

Martha Ann Miller of Mather died after a brief illness at 4 p.m. Wednesday, January 30, 1980, in Greene County Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Miller was a daughter of the late Joseph and Elizabeth Patterson Dupont.

She was the widow of Ralph Miller, who died in 1966. She had formerly resided at Lemont Furnace, Fayette County, and she was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ at Vanderbill.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Edward (Agnes) Davis of Mather; a son, Joseph Dupont of Oliver No. 3; 17 grandchildren, and 35 great-grandchildren.

A son, Ralph, is deceased.

Phillips

Florence Roberts Phillips, 66, of 170 East Greene Street, Waynesburg, died Friday, February 1, 1980 at 2:45 p.m. in the Shadyside Hospital, Pittsburgh. She had been ill for three weeks.

She was born September 8, 1913 in Nineveh, a daughter of the late James M. and Effie Morris Dillie.

Her first husband, Charles P. Roberts, died in 1957. Her second husband, Byron M. Phillips, died in 1975.

Mrs. Phillips was employed as a dispatcher for the Central Cab Co. in Waynesburg and was associated with the local taxi business for 28 years.

She had lived in Waynesburg in the area all her life and was a member of the Washington Street Methodist Church.

Surviving are two sons, Charles J. Roberts of Waynesburg R.D.3, Thomas F. Roberts of Waynesburg; two daughters, Doris J. Reid of Addison, Stella V. Miller of Wood River, Ill.; a step-daughter, Rosalie Parry of Charleston, W.Va.; 15 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and two step-grandchildren; one brother, Leroy Dillie of Washington; three step-brothers, Charles Corbin, Edward Corbin, Clyde Corbin; and one step-sister, Mary Cox.

Two sons, William Roger Roberts, Gary Richard Roberts; her step-mother, Pearl Corbin and a step-sister, Lillian Ward, are deceased.

Bishop

Margaret C. Bishop, 98, of Carmichaels, formerly of Albright, W. Va., died Friday, February 1, 1980 in the Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She was born January 27, 1882 in Albright, a daughter of the late Amos and Ruhama Teets.

She was a member of the Beechrun United Methodist Church.

Her husband, William H. Bishop, is deceased.

Surviving are three sons, Artie Bishop of Beaver Falls, Ivan Bishop of Albright and John Bishop of Carmichaels; three daughters, Mrs. Arta Clark of Morgantown, W. Va., Mrs. Ruhama Rexroad of Baltimore, Md. and Mrs. Wanda King of Carmichaels; 18 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren.

A son, Earl, three brothers and two sisters are deceased.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday, February 4, in the Mt. Moriah United Methodist Church in Valley Point, W. Va., with the Rev. Harold O. Kelley officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Moriah Cemetery.

Burwell

Mrs. Mary Jane DeHaas Burwell, 48, of Falls Church, Va., died Wednesday, January 30, 1980, in Fairfax (Va.) Hospital after a brief illness.

She was born September 25, 1931, in Uniontown, a daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Ernest P. DeHaas.

She was a graduate of Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh.

Surviving are her husband, Dr. James A. Burwell; two daughters, Bianca DeHaas Burwell and Rebecca Preece Burwell, both at home; a sister, Mrs. Calvin C. (Joanne) Rush of Waynesburg; and two brothers, Dr. Robert DeHaas of Washington and Dr. E.P. DeHaas of Carmichaels.

Services will be held Saturday, February 2, in the Pearson Funeral Home, Falls Church, Va.

Pio

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She was born in Grays Landing, the daughter of the late Matthew and Anna Shimek.

Her husband, Eugene Victor Pio, is deceased.

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Five brothers are deceased. Services will be held Thursday morning, February 7.

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He was a retired foreman for Duquesne Light of Warwick Mine, and was a member of UMW, Local 6310. A World War II veteran of the United States Air Force, he was a member of the Veterans of Foreign War Post, Greensboro.

Surviving are his wife, Irene Eogacik Kalasky; three children, Mrs. Carl (Eileen) McElroy, Uniontown, Mrs. John (Theresa) Handlin, North Olmsted, Ohio and David P. Kalasky of Uniontown; four brothers, Peter of Dover, Del., William of Carmichaels, Louis of Youngstown, Ohio and Rudy Kalasky of Woodbridge, Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Julia Toth and Mrs. Ann Costello, both of Youngstown and Mrs. Mary Jane Greene of Cleveland, Ohio; also four grandchildren.

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Election Board Approves 'Public Opinion Poll' On Zoning

The Greene County Election Board has given its permission for a "public opinion poll" on the question of zoning in Franklin Township to be held in conjunction with the primary election on Tuesday, April 22.

2 Former County Men Plead Guilty

Two men, one charged with burglary and the other with forgery, entered guilty pleas in Greene County Court Monday.

Robert L. Roster, 25, formerly of Greensboro R.D.1, was fined \$500 and given a one-to-five-year prison sentence which was suspended on condition that he make restitution

Parole Officer Speaks

Ron Copenhaver, an Adult Probation Services officer for the Pennsylvania Parole Board, discussed the functions of the Parole Board and the state's Pardons Board at the Waynesburg Rotary Club meeting Monday evening.

Copenhaver's parole activities cover 35 counties in western and southwestern Pennsylvania, largely in the role of liaison between the Parole Board and the county probation offices which are in his area of responsibility.

The Parole Board, Copenhaver explained, is comprised of five full-time members who are not allowed to engage in any other earning activity while in office. They are appointed by the governor with the approval of the state Senate.

The two major functions of the board, as given by Copenhaver, include:

Decisions whether to release or recommit inmates.

Providing supervision and guidance to parolees once they have been released from correctional institutions.

The parole official stressed a provision in the state law which does not permit parole to anyone who has been sentenced to less than two years. Further, he noted, an inmate must serve the minimum part of his, or her, sentence before parole eligibility can be considered.

As of now, Copenhaver said, Pennsylvania has a total of some 50,000 persons — both male and female — either on parole from a correctional institution or on probation. A total of 230 parole officers, agents and supervisors are employed by the Parole Board.

The Pardons Board, comprised of five members also, is an entirely different entity: the lieutenant governor and attorney general serve, as prescribed by state law, and three other members are appointed by the governor.

This board's primary functions deal with recommending to the governor either commutation of sentence or clemency (forgiveness). In either case, the final decision rests with the governor.

If a sentence has been reduced as a result of Pardons Board action, the inmate is then eligible to apply for parole based on the newer (and lower) limits of the sentence.

Granting of a parole is a time-consuming process. Copenhaver brought out, involving "face-to-face" interviews, statements from those involved such as attorneys and judges, and evaluations on the appellant's "chances for making it successfully on the outside."

Joining in the discussions were Rotarian John Graham, chief probation officer for Greene County, who introduced Copenhaver, and Ewing "Red" Miller of Carmichaels, parole officer for this area.

Both Miller and Copenhaver noted that Gov. Richard Thornburgh has indicated a desire to replace or revise the parole system but that specific proposals have not been made public. The two characterized Pennsylvania's parole system as "one of the toughest in the nation."

Marion said the opinion sampling would have to be distinct and separate from voting in the primary, but that polling places in the township could be utilized for the purpose. He also said the county could not bear any of the costs which might be involved.

Township Solicitor William Hook said he has met with Marion to lay down general ground rules, which are subject to approval of the Franklin Township supervisors.

Under the plan, the township would phrase the question involved, which would, in essence, ask residents if they favor or oppose a proposed zoning ordinance prepared by the township planning commission.

The township would be responsible for having the questionnaires printed, and could then place them in the four voting precincts on primary election day.

Persons going to the polls to vote could then mark the questionnaires at the same time as they vote, but would deposit them in a separate box from that in which ballots are deposited. The questionnaire

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