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## Incumbent DeWeese Is Easy Primary Winner

State Representative Bill DeWeese won an unexpectedly lopsided victory in Tuesday's election as he collected 71 percent of the votes in the Democratic primary to defeat challenger Daniel E. Bailey of Carmichaels by a margin of 9,086 to 3,658.

He also won the Republican nomination on write-in votes to eliminate any opposition he might have had in November to win a third two-year term as representative from the 50th District.

In Greene County, the Waynesburg legislator rolled to a 6,022 to 2,680 win, and in the seven Fayette County municipalities which are joined

with Greene County to make up the district, he won 3,064 to 978. His Republican write-in victory (there was no candidate on the GOP ballot) was 593 to 113.

DeWeese, when contacted Wednesday, said he was rather surprised at the size of his majority.

"I feel it was a significant victory over an experienced, old-line political establishment spearheaded by a new candidate and I have nothing but good will for those who opposed my election," he said.

"A record of performance on a daily basis should be the focus when people vote for members of their legislature,

and I hope the vote reflects in a significant manner what people feel about what I do in the state capitol.

"I regard my assignment as three sections of a pie. I have to be responsive to my constituents' need in one area and secondly I must involve myself in the day-to-day operation of the commonwealth and the process of amending and fortifying our laws. But I certainly will not forget the third share of the pie and will maintain and fortify a resilient political team.

"I will begin (almost immediately) to reestablish personal and political acquaintanceships that may have been somewhat jeopardized, and I will not forget for a long, long time those people who have been utterly loyal to my public service.

"Finally, I wish to congratulate Mr. Bailey for conducting a proper campaign effort."

The DeWeese-Bailey contest highlighted the election in Greene County, with the only other county-wide race also coming in the Democratic primary where there was a three-way contest for Democratic state committeeman.

It was won by a narrow margin by former county treasurer T. William Barnes of Franklin Township, who defeated Gregory F. Peccon of Carmichaels 3,242 to 2,983. Gregory A. Niveth of Morgan Township ran third with 1,808 votes.

County Democrats favored President Jimmy Carter by a solid majority over Edward M. Kennedy, and in the Republican primary George Bush was a narrow winner over Ronald Reagan.

They also joined with voters in Washington and Fayette Counties and part of Allegheny to nominate candidates for Congress and delegates to national conventions.

Voter turnout in the county averaged a healthy 66 percent, with 8,678 (69 percent) of the 12,678 registered Democrats and 2,242 (62 percent) of the 3,615 registered Republicans going to the polls.

Complete but unofficial returns from the county's 51 precincts show the following vote totals:

### DEMOCRAT

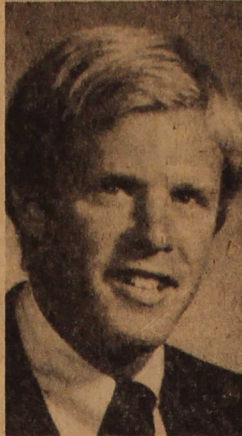
President of the United States—Jimmy Carter 4,975; Edmund G. Brown Jr. 345; Edward M. Kennedy 2,913; no preference 250.

U. S. Senator—C. Delores Tucker 2421; Pete Flaherty 6,125; Joseph Rhodes Jr. 879; Tom Anderson 198; Peter Liacouras 210; Craig Lewis 233; Ed Mezvinsky 280; John J. Logue 31.

Attorney General—Michael A. O'Pake 5,047; Walter Phillips 2,365.

Auditor General—Franklin L. Kury 1,941; Al Benedict 5,473.

State Treasurer—Olga O.



H. WILLIAM DEWEESE

Woodward 4,021; Bob Casey 3,361.

Representative in Congress—Austin J. Murphy 7,783.

Representative in General Assembly—Daniel E. Bailey 2,680; Bill DeWeese 6,022.

Delegate to National Convention (six to be elected)—Andrew V. Bohatch 773; Joseph M. Jordan 1,537; Carole Frankel 1,825; Christ-

ine A. Renninger 1,396; Joseph F. D'Andrea 1,857; James W. Haines Jr. 1,521; Charles W. Honse Jr. 856; John M. McCarrill 995; Wayne M. Long 1,854; Pauline Weston 1,119; Gregory A. Niveth 1,500; Walter J. Radishek 1,500; LaVerne Tipper 1,149; William C. Groves 3,178; Ann Jordan 883; Thomas E. Morgan 2,703; Pete L. Celani Jr. 540; Norma J. Lebler 918; David L. Gilmore 1,263; Frank Giosta 421; John J. Gruskowski 539; Tracy J. Zeller 728; J. Bracken Burns 724; Margaret R. Molinaro 871; Kevin J. Walsh 669; Joseph P. Whiteko 528; Frank R. DeLuca 774; Brian Murphy 1,090; William A. Polaski 759; Lillian Rojas 482; Edward Danyo 405; Marilyn D. Carlow 586; Audrew Gefsky Richman 0; Anna Belle Calloway 857; Guy E. Mahoney 627; Rose Marie Muzika 627.

Alternate Delegate to National Convention (three to be elected)—Susan M. Cole 2,846; David V. Coder 3,286; Leo P. Vicini 3,697; Richard J. Fiesta 2,382; Carolyn J. Frantz 3,567.

Member of State Committee—Gregory A. Niveth 1,808; T. William

Barnes 3,242; Gregory F. Peccon 2,983.

### REPUBLICAN

President of United States—Ronald Reagan 1,068; Howard H. Baker Jr. 38; Harold E. Stassen 14; George Bush 1,189; John B. Connally 10; Benjamin Fernandez 0; Alvin Joseph Jacobson 1.

United States Senator—Norman Bertasavage 62; Edward L. Howard 236; Bud Haabestad 735; Arlen Specter 558; Lewis C. Richards 93; Andrew J. Watson 113; Francis Worley 82; Warren R. Wil-

liams 89.

Attorney General—Leroy S. Zimmerman 1,885.

Auditor General—Benj H. Wilson 520; James W. Knepper Jr. 1,483.

State Treasurer—Marilyn Coyle Ecott 621; Kevin B. O'Rourke 1,216.

Representative in General Assembly—Bill DeWeese 593; Daniel Bailey 113.

Delegates to National Convention (three to be elected)—Richard C. Russell 516; Harold V. Fergus Jr. 318; H. Leonard Frye 911; Edward M.

Paluso 167; William S. Conover 115; David W. Knapp 172; Elizabeth M. Phillips 280; Richard S. Cowan Jr. 1,544; James W. Wagner 206; Charlotte Rummel 161; George H. Stewart 559; Carolyn J. Rapaport 245.

Alternate Delegate to National Convention (three to be elected)—Carolyn J. Rapaport 1,185; Thomas Uram 998; Rick T. Miller 1,281.

Member of State Committee—John R. Gardner 1,338.

### Primary Results By Precinct

Precinct	DeWeese	Bailey	Morris	113	21
Aleppo	47	47	Perry No. 1	143	84
Carmichaels	116	45	Perry No. 2	52	19
Center-East	116	74	Rices Landing	99	32
Center-West	34	13	Richhill	151	66
Clarksville	53	33	Springshill	32	13
Cumberland 1	360	124	Wash. Ruff Creek	73	54
Cumberland 2	263	113	Wash. Sycamore	37	25
Nemacolin	217	127	Wayne East	98	37
Cumberland 4	321	176	Wayne West	113	30
Dunkard Bobtown	265	57	Waynesburg 1-1	56	20
Dunkard Dilliner	102	27	Waynesburg 1-2	142	58
Dunkard Lower	62	25	Waynesburg 2-1	97	38
Dunkard Upper	43	8	Waynesburg 2-2	111	28
Franklin East	260	99	Waynesburg 3	201	71
Franklin West	123	41	Whiteley	84	51
Franklin North	232	59	FAYETTE COUNTY		
Franklin South	111	50	Fairchance	286	71
Frescott	43	11	Georges No. 1	150	41
Gilmore	33	51	Georges No. 2	290	87
Gray	30	14	Georges No. 3	213	68
Greene	83	18	Georges No. 4	114	26
Greensboro	95	36	Luzerne No. 1	187	58
Jackson	65	17	Luzerne No. 2	226	104
Jefferson	78	37	Luzerne No. 3	80	30
Jefferson No. 1	150	80	Luzerne No. 4	47	14
Jefferson No. 2	65	56	Luzerne No. 5	95	14
Jefferson No. 3	157	109	Luzerne No. 6	143	20
Jefferson No. 4	42	38	Masontown No. 1	208	87
Monongahela No. 1	143	61	Masontown No. 2	291	198
Monongahela No. 2	32	18	Masontown No. 3	130	47
Monongahela No. 3	131	34	Pt. Marion	164	34
Moran Chartiers	46	47	Smithfield	106	27
Moran Lisenecott	133	43	Springshill No. 1	90	15
Moran Mather	219	123	Springshill No. 2	147	37
Moran Teagarden	42	28	Totals:	9,086	3,658

### In Waynesburg

## Home Rule Charter Proposal Approved

A slim majority of voters in Waynesburg Borough indicated during Tuesday's primary election that they would like a study commission formed to consider a new type of government for that municipality.

Waynesburg council late last year asked the question of a charter change to be placed on yesterday's ballot, asking if the voters would wish to see a study commission formed to consider what form of government might be more properly suited for the community.

Currently, Waynesburg operates under a mayor-manager-council form of government.

Under the proposal, which passed by a narrow 28-vote margin (497 for and 469 against), a seven-member panel will be elected in November to form the study commission. The commission will then have nine months to study different forms of government which might be operative within the borough.

The candidates who will be listed on the November ballot will have no party affiliation

mentioned on the ballot.

The question failed to receive approval in only one of the borough's five precincts, Ward 3, where the question was defeated by a 156-144 margin. Of the 393 voters who went to the polls in Ward 3, only 300 took any stand on the issue.

In the borough's second largest precinct, Ward 1, Precinct 2, 152 voted for the proposal and 141 voted against it, but again 62 of those who went to the polls failed to answer the simple yes or no question which appeared on the ballot.

In Ward 2, Precinct 2, the issue carried by a slim 80-70 margin and in Ward 2, Precinct 1 it won the voters' approval by a 75-63 margin. In the borough's fifth voting area, Ward 1, Precinct 1, the proposal met with approval by a slim 46-39 margin.

The charter change referendum was the first ever placed on the ballot in Greene County and one of the few times in the state's history that such a proposal has received approval of the electorate.

## Feasibility Study For Coal Liquefaction Plant Proposed

By BOB EICHENLAUB  
Greene County Editor

A proposal will be submitted Friday to the federal Department of Energy (DOE) for the financing of a study with the ultimate goal of locating a commercial synthetic fuel plant in Greene County.

The announcement was made jointly at Waynesburg on Monday by Tony Hartlage, president of the Greene County Coal Owners Association (GCCOA), and Rep. Austin J. Murphy, who has been working closely with GCCOA and the Advanced Energy Systems Division of Westinghouse Electric Corp. in laying the groundwork for submission of the proposal.

The goal, in essence, is to utilize some 100,000 acres of Waynesburg and Sewickley vein coal assembled in western Greene County by GCCOA to provide, through the construction of eight mines, the 20,000 to 25,000 tons of coal per day which it would require to produce more than 50,000 barrels of fuel oil and gasoline per day.

Cost of the study has been

estimated at \$3.5 million. The DOE will be considering similar proposals from other parts of the nation which have major amounts of reserve coal and is expected to fund from 20 to 25 of them as a means of launching a national thrust to establish a coal "syn-fuel" program to help meet energy needs.

"I am totally convinced a synthetic fuel industry must emerge; it is the only feasible route we have to follow," Murphy said. "Coal is the one fuel that is totally owned by Americans."

So far as the Greene County proposal is concerned, Murphy feels it has a lot going for it.

"Through GCCOA the coal is available, and the county is suitable in terms of air quality and pollution controls. I am very optimistic that the application will be approved." He added he will also seek the backing of Sens. John Heinz and Richard Schweiker and is confident they will support the project.

This Friday is the deadline for submitting applications.

The DOE is expected to act on them within 60 days. It would then take an estimated 18 months to complete the study. The target is to have construction start in about five years.

During the construction period, it was estimated, the project would provide employment for some 2,500 to 3,000 people. The plant, when completed, would provide 400 or so jobs and the eight mines, employment for approximately 2,500.

Much of the preliminary work on siting mines has been done by the Mineral Realty Corp., a subsidiary of the L. Robert Kimball engineering company. They envision the construction of five small Waynesburg seam mines and one large Sewickley seam mine to utilize coal primarily located in Center and Wayne Townships, west of Waynesburg, and one Waynesburg seam mine and one Sewickley seam mine in Richhill Township. All would be deep mines, since the coal seams in those areas range in depth from 250 to 600 feet.

Cliff Tuttle, president of

Mineral Realty, said the project also envisions extraction of methane gas from the coal seams to be used in providing fuel for the project.

The application for the syn-fuel plant has been prepared by the Advanced Energy Systems Division of Westinghouse Electric Corp., and proposes utilization of the so-called H-Coal process of Hydrocarbon Research Inc., a division of Dynalcraft Corp. of McKean, Va.

This process, Hartlage said, has been in use for some 30 years on a pilot basis and has been tested successfully with all varieties of American coal. It was chosen, he said, because it presents relatively few environmental problems.

In response to questions, the sponsors agreed that one of the major questions to be answered would involve the availability of water needed for a syn-fuel plant, but they expressed confidence that a solution would be found.

They also said that the use of Pittsburgh seam coal would not be ruled out in the feasibility study, although

they noted that Pittsburgh coal is of a higher quality than that commonly used in syn-fuel plants and could probably be used to better advantage as steam coal or metallurgical coal.

"The bottom line is to produce a fuel (oil and gasoline) on a commercial basis that can be competitive in price, and we feel we have a proposal which can meet this criteria," Murphy explained.

The DOE study would explore the technical, economic, environmental and social feasibility of locating a syn-fuel plant in Greene County. Once this has been done—and if the project is found to be viable—negotiations would be worked out for the involvement of private industry to carry out the project. "We have already been talking with a number of large companies which are interested," Hartlage said.

The biggest block of coal, involving a tract of some 29,000 acres, is southwest of Waynesburg.

The coal owner's association, Hartlage said, has more

Mrs. Connie Parker, of Waynesburg R.D., was one of the 1,200 Franklin Township voters who turned out Tuesday to express an opinion on the proposed zoning ordinance.

## Franklin Twp. Voters Reject The Land-Use Ordinance

Voters in Franklin Township rejected a proposed land-use ordinance by a 680-586 margin Tuesday in a unique public opinion poll conducted at the four voting precincts in the township.

It marked the first time that a municipality had requested and received approval from the state Bureau of Elections to conduct such a poll.

The poll was requested by the township board of supervisors which has the authority to approve or reject the proposed plan but preferred to poll the residents and landowners.

Two supervisors, Ralph Porter and Reed Kiger had earlier said they would abide by the special poll and vote according to what the majority wanted. Robert Morris, the third supervisor, stated he would oppose any zoning ordinance regardless of the poll.

An effort was made to pass the ordinance in the fall of 1979 but one supervisor opposed the plan, another approved it and Porter, the lone holdover

from the previous board, suggested the public be polled.

Most of the opposition to the land-use plan came from Franklin-South where 154 voted against it and only 55 approved. According to one township official who monitored the poll, "many people said they didn't understand it and could not vote for something they didn't understand."

The same official questioned the propriety of Charles B. Orndorff, a long-time foe of zoning, sitting at the door of the polling place, and telling residents to vote against the plan. The official also noted that the polling place is located on the Orndorff farm.

Only one of the four precincts voted a majority for the plan. In Franklin-North, 229 approved the ordinance and 145 opposed it.

Franklin Township auditors and two representatives from the planning commission counted the ballots. They voided 75 ballots because the voter failed to tear off the

ballot number. However, the voided ballots would not have affected the 94-vote margin.

Two members of the planning commission, which has been working on the plan for over two years, announced immediately after the count they would attend the regular meeting of the township supervisors on Friday and submit their resignations.

Robert Lang and Christie Haney, who helped with the count, said there appeared to be no reason to continue the commission now that the majority had defeated the basis for future development in the township.

Dr. David Walker, chairman of the planning commission, was not available for comment after the count because of a death in the family.

Over 60 percent of the registered voters in the township turned out to voice their opinion on the proposed ordinance. Five official primary ballots were found in the special election boxes reserved for the poll.



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Congressman Austin J. Murphy, left, and Tony Hartlage field questions at the meeting where plans for a syn-fuel plant were announced.



Observer-Reporter Photo



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MR. AND MRS. LLOYD H. DAVIDSON

## 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd H. Davidson of Waynesburg will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, April 26, with open house for friends and relatives.

The affair, to be hosted by the couple's sons and daughters, will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Jefferson United Methodist Church, where they are members.

Mr. and Mrs. Davidson were married April 26, 1930, by the Rev. John McMinn of Jefferson.

Mr. Davidson, who is retired, was employed by the Crucible Fuel Division at Crucible, and later by the State Department of Highways.

The Davidsons have two sons, Robert Davidson of Streetsboro, Ohio, and Raymond Davidson of Ambridge; and two daughters, Mrs. Audrey Bucciarelli of Hopewell, Va. and Mrs. Lucille Policz of Jefferson.

They also have 10 grandchildren and one great-grandson.

- Sunday
- Proverbs 5:1-13
- Monday
- Proverbs 8:1-36
- Tuesday
- Proverbs 22:1-21
- Wednesday
- Proverbs 24:3-14
- Thursday
- Proverbs 30:5-33
- Friday
- Isaiah 61:1-11
- Saturday
- Isaiah 62:1-12



## A BIGGER WORLD

There comes a time, even in a chick's life, when the way must open to a greatly expanded world. When his confining shell no longer allows proper growth, he makes a point of throwing off his shackles and steps out into a big, strange world.

This comparatively simple phenomenon is paralleled in human existence as each child grows toward adulthood, and reaches out for the wider horizon. What he finds there will depend in great part on what he has been taught.

For this reason the early and continued guidance of Christian home and church are all-important. From these things the foundation of faith is built. Through faith and understanding the shackles of fear and bondage are dispelled, and your child grows spiritually strong to meet the ever-widening horizons and challenges of a modern world.

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MR. AND MRS. CLAY HOY

## Hoys To Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hoy of Mather will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house at the Greene County Country Club, April 27 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The couple was married by the Rev. John Greshner at St. Michaels Church of Fredericktown on April 28, 1930. The couple requests gifts be omitted.

## County Youths Attend 4-H State Capitol Days

Two Greene County youths who are interested in state government attended 4-H State Capitol Days last week in Harrisburg.

June Morgan, 16, a member of the East Franklin Sewing Club, visited the Department of Health because of her interest in consumer problems. Clark Patterson, 16, a member of the Greene County Baby Beef and Market Lamb Club, visited the Department of Commerce, where he was presented with a T-shirt bearing the new Pennsylvania logo, which will soon be released to the public.

They joined other 4-H members from throughout Pennsylvania for a first-hand look at state government and its agencies. They attended workshops and received a guided tour of the capitol building.

State senators and representatives discussed local issues with the 4-Hers at a legislative breakfast Tuesday, where the featured speaker was Arthur Nesbitt, president of NASCO International, Inc. and a national 4-H alumni winner.

## Church To Hold Groundbreaking

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Oak View United Methodist Church to be erected along old Route 21 in Franklin Township will be held at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, April 27.

The Rev. Donald Brown, Washington District superintendent, will be present after speaking at the Morrisville Church at 10 a.m. and the Coallick Church at 11 a.m. that day.

Church officials have paid \$57,000 for the 5.7 acre site and will continue with construction as money becomes available in the future. The Rev. William J. Ryan, pastor of the church, extends an invitation to the public to attend the ceremony.

## Heart Fund Chairman Named

James D. Ealy, Waynesburg Borough manager, has been named chairman of the 1980 Heart Fund Campaign for Greene County.

The announcement was announced by Cataldo F. Corrado Jr., president of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter, American Heart Association. As chairman, Ealy will coordinate volunteers who will distribute information on how heart fund money was spent in support of research, education and community service programs.

## GREENE COUNTY CHURCH DIRECTORY

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| <p><b>FIRST METHODIST WAYNESBURG</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 10:45. Worship: Monday, 3:30, Junior Choir: Tuesday, 8. Senior Choir: Wednesday, 4. Primary Fellowship.</p> <p><b>WASHINGTON STREET METHODIST, WAYNESBURG</b><br/>9:30, Church School: 10:45. Worship: 6:30, Youth Group: Wednesday, 7. Choir rehearsals: 8. Bible study.</p> <p><b>ROGERSVILLE-NINEVEH METHODIST CHARGE VALLEY CHAPEL</b>: 9. Worship: 9:45, Church School.</p> <p><b>HOPEWELL</b>: 9:15, Church School: 10. Worship.</p> <p><b>NINEVEH</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>ROGERSVILLE</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>JEFFERSON METHODIST CHARGE</b><br/>JEFFERSON: 9:30. Worship: 10:40, Church School: Wednesday, 4:15, Junior Choir: 6:30, Senior Choir.</p> <p><b>RICES LANDING</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>MILLSBORO</b>: 7:30, Evening Worship.</p> <p><b>CARMICHAELS METHODIST</b><br/>9:45, Sunday School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>GARARDS FORT METHODIST</b><br/>9:30. Worship: 10:30, Church School.</p> <p><b>JOLLYTOWN METHODIST CHARGE</b><br/>LAUREL RUN: 9. Worship: 10. Church School.</p> <p><b>GRANDVIEW</b>: 10. Worship: 11. Church School.</p> <p><b>PLEASANT HILL</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>JOLLYTOWN</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>MT. ZION</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>MONONGAHELA METHODIST CHARGE MORRISVILLE</b>: 9. Church School: 10. Worship.</p> | <p><b>COALICK</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>THROCKMORTON</b>: 10. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>OAK FOREST</b>: 10. Church School: 7:30. Worship (second and fourth Sundays).</p> <p><b>MT. PLEASANT</b>: 10. Worship.</p> <p><b>UNION METHODIST CHARGE UNION VALLEY</b>: 10. Church School: 11:15. Worship: 7:30. MYF.</p> <p><b>FAIRVIEW</b>: 10. Worship: Church School: Tuesday, Choir practice.</p> <p><b>NEBO</b>: 9. Worship: 10. Church School: 11. MYF.</p> <p><b>FAIRALL CLAUGHTON CHAPEL</b>: 9. Church School: 11. Worship.</p> <p><b>FAIRALL</b>: 10. Church School: 11:15. Worship.</p> <p><b>KIRBY</b>: 10. Church School: 7. Worship.</p> <p><b>VALLEY CHAPEL</b>: 9. Worship: 10. Church School.</p> <p><b>WILLOW GROVE INDEPENDENT BAPTIST</b><br/>10. Sunday School: 11. Worship: Thursday, 7:30, prayer meeting.</p> <p><b>SUGAR GROVE BAPTIST</b><br/>10. Worship: 11. Church School.</p> <p><b>MT. ZION BAPTIST</b><br/>10. Church School: 11. Worship: 7:30, Evening Worship.</p> <p><b>CALVARY BAPTIST</b><br/>10. Sunday School: 11. Worship: Wednesday, 7:30, prayer meeting and Bible study.</p> <p><b>JEFFERSON BAPTIST</b><br/>9:45. Worship: 10:45, Church School: Wednesday, 7:30, prayer service.</p> <p><b>JOHN COLBY BAPTIST</b><br/>9:45. Worship: 10:45, Church School: Thursday, 7:30, Bible Study and prayer.</p> <p><b>CARMICHAELS BAPTIST</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 11. Worship: 7. Evening Worship: Wednesday, 7:30, Youth Choir, Bible Study.</p> | <p><b>FIRST BAPTIST WAYNESBURG</b><br/>9:30, Church School: 10:45. Worship: 7. BYF: Wednesday, 7:30. Evening Prayer Group.</p> <p><b>BATES FORK BAPTIST</b><br/>10. Church School: 11:30. Worship.</p> <p>9:55, Worship: 11. Church School: 6:30, BYF and Jet Cadets: Saturday, 10. Unit Rehearsal.</p> <p><b>FIRST PRESBYTERIAN WAYNESBURG</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 11. Worship: 6:30, College and Career Group: 7. Senior High Fellowship: Wednesday, 3:45, Youth Club: Thursday, 7:30 Chancel Choir.</p> <p><b>GREENE VALLEY PRESBYTERIAN</b><br/>9:30, Church School: 11. Worship: 6:30, Junior and Senior High Fellowship: Tuesday, 3:30, Teen Choir: Wednesday, 7. Calvin Choir: 8. Greene Valley Choir: Thursday, 4:15, Angel Choir.</p> <p><b>JEFFERSON PRESBYTERIAN</b><br/>9:30, Worship: 10:30, Church School.</p> <p><b>HEWITT PRESBYTERIAN</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 11. Worship: Wednesday, 6. Westminister Choir: 7. Chancel Choir.</p> <p><b>CARMICHAELS CHRISTIAN</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 11. Worship: Tuesday, 6:30, Ch Rho: Wednesday, 3:45, Chancel Choir: 4:30, Youth Choir: Saturday, 11. Cherub Choir.</p> <p><b>WAYNESBURG CHRISTIAN</b><br/>9:30, Bible School: 10:30. Worship: 6. Youth Groups: 7. Evening Worship: Wednesday, 7:30, Bible Study: 8:30, Choir rehearsal.</p> <p><b>MATHER CHRISTIAN</b><br/>9:30, Bible School: 10:40. Worship: 7:30, Bible Study.</p> <p><b>FIRST PILGRIM CHURCH</b></p> | <p><b>WAYNESBURG</b><br/>9:45, Sunday School: 11. Worship: 6:45, Young People: 7:30. Evening Worship: Wednesday, 7:30, prayer meeting.</p> <p><b>WAYNESBURG CHURCH OF CHRIST</b><br/>10. Bible School: 10:45. Worship: 6:30, Evening Service: Wednesday, 7:30, Bible classes.</p> <p><b>ST. GEORGE'S EPISCOPAL WAYNESBURG</b><br/>8. Holy Communion: 9:30, Senior High Class: 10:30, Church School and Holy Communion: Thursday, 7:30, Holy Communion.</p> <p><b>WAYNESBURG NAZARENE</b><br/>9:45, Church School: 10:45. Worship: 7:30, Evening Services: Wednesday, 7:30, Prayer Service and NYPS.</p> <p><b>ROLLING MEADOWS CHURCH OF GOD</b><br/>9:45, Sunday School: 11. Worship: 7. Evangelistic Services: Wednesday, 7. Family Training Hour.</p> <p><b>ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC WAYNESBURG</b><br/>Saturday Anticipatory Mass, 6:30; Sunday Masses, 8:30 and 11:30; Confessions, Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30.</p> <p><b>CRABAPPLE COMMUNITY</b><br/>10. Church School: 11. Worship: 7:30, Evangelistic Service: Wednesday, 7:30, Prayer Meeting.</p> <p><b>WEST GREENE PRESBYTERIAN CHARGE HARMONY</b>: 9. Worship: 10. Church School.</p> <p><b>UNITY-BRISTORIA</b>: 10:10, Worship: 11:10, Church School.</p> <p><b>WEST UNION</b>: 10. Church School: 11:15, Worship.</p> <p><b>HATFIELD FERRY LUTHERAN PARISH</b><br/>ST. PAUL'S, Carmichaels: 9. Worship: 10:15, Church School.</p> <p><b>JACOBS</b>: 9. Worship: 11. Church School.</p> |
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# Alicia Residents Protest Poor Road Condition

By ROBIN ROBERTS  
Staff Writer

ALICIA — There are 27 families which reside along Route 30076 near this small eastern Greene County community who swear they will go to jail if the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and the United States Steel Corp. don't come up with a solution to their problem.

Thursday morning a group of protestors, all residents of the Alicia area, blocked the narrow concrete road which leads into their village, at one time stopping as many as 25 coal hauling trucks to U. S. Steel's processing plant along the Monongahela River.

"For five years the trucks and heavy equipment have been traveling and crossing this road and just look at the condition it's in now," one spokesman for the group of angry citizens said Thursday afternoon, as she pointed the crumbling road and inches-deep mud along both berms of the road.

"We've been calling PennDOT and U. S. Steel for five years and decided this was the only way we were going to get any results. We've called and called and just don't seem to get any response from anybody," another protester told the Observer-Reporter as he walked along the road, where heavy steel reinforcing rods stick through the surface.

"When they (U. S. Steel) were building everything down here they took heavy equipment across the road and entire sections of the road were ruined,



A coal truck rolls past Alicia area residents protesting the damaged condition of the road.

just ripped out of the ground, and they've never bothered to fix those," said a third member of the group.

As a truck filled with coal passed the group, a male member of the gathering

pointed out how entire sections of the road rise up under the heavy weight of the loaded vehicle. Mud and water squirt from under the slab of cement and up between the seam between the

two pieces of concrete which form the somebody killed before anybody starts to listen to us. If one of the trucks is coming down the hill loaded and a car or school bus is going up, something has to

give. If you get off the road surface and road.

"I think it's going to take getting onto the soft berm, you're stuck," a protester said.

"We've been told that PennDOT is supposed to be here once a week to patch the road, but we're lucky if we seem them once every three months. When they do come they just throw some patch into the holes," she continued.

State troopers from the Waynesburg station were summoned to the scene of the picket line Thursday morning and others were called when the protestors refused to budge.

Nearly all of the protestors complained of having to make extensive repairs to their automobiles after traveling the road daily.

"I don't cuss, but I cuss when I go to work and I cuss on my way back home," one of the quieter protestors said with a smile. "For a long time there weren't even any guardrails along the road. One time there was a slide and one of our neighbors had to get out and take trees off of the road so we could get up and down it."

"We finally got some action today. U. S. Steel and PennDOT are supposed to meet and we're supposed to have some sort of an answer to our problem by next Wednesday. If we don't we'll be back out here Thursday morning and we'll go to jail if we have to," another member of the group proclaimed.

What further angers the group is the fact the steel company has constructed a road into its facilities, but will not allow its truck traffic to use the road. At the entrance to the U. S. Steel property, where the new road starts is a sign and an arrow indicating the truck route continues along the public road.

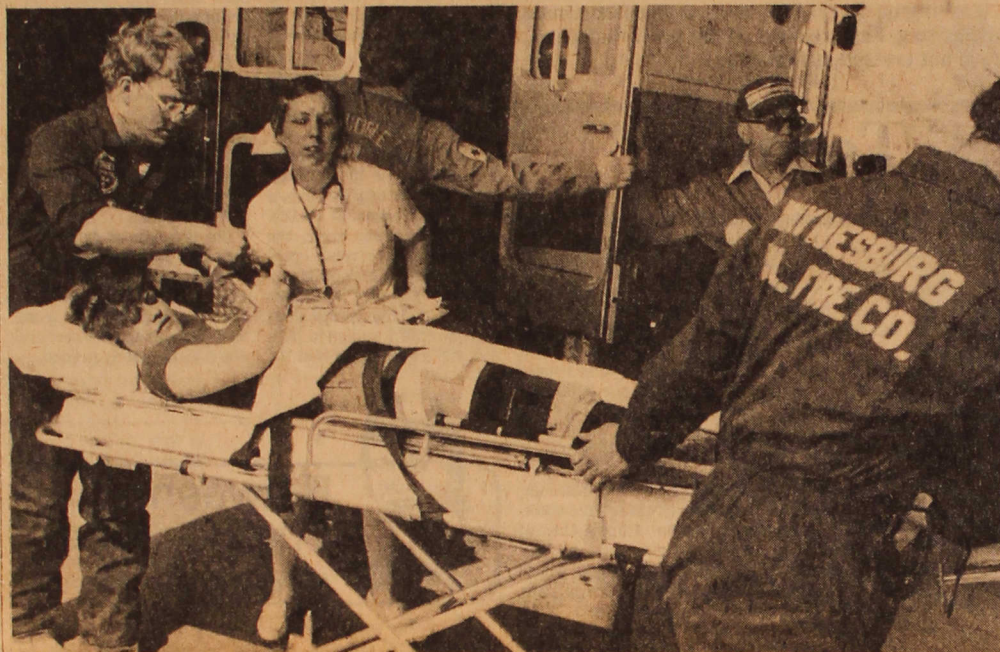
"They (U. S. Steel) could build the road from their works to Alicia (an estimated distance of one and a half to two and a half miles), but they don't want us crossing their property," another male member of the group pointed out.

The group says it will not stand for any more of PennDOT's "patchwork" repairs to the road, "We don't want anymore of that. We want a new road, before somebody gets killed."

Several members of the group said the condition of the road is so bad that the truck drivers using it agree with their sentiments.

Loren H. Dukate, PennDOT's maintenance superintendent for Greene County, said Thursday that PennDOT is currently negotiating with coal haulers who use the road to determine if they are willing to pay part of the costs of repairing the road.

"Some parts of the road are pretty good, but some are also pretty bad," Dukate said. "We're trying to get a commitment from the coal haulers to help maintain the road, but right now we just don't have anything concrete," Dukate said.



A mock accident victim arrives at the hospital in Sunday's exercise.

## Firemen Hold Mock Disaster Drill

A weekend fire-medical school, involving Greene County fire companies that provide ambulance service, culminated in a simulated chain reaction accident with 13 mock victims Sunday afternoon.

Held at the Jefferson fire hall and the junk yard of the East End Garage at Carmichaels, the school included removing victims from a wrecked vehicle, identifying injuries and providing first aid and responsibilities of an emergency vehicle driver given by State Police Trooper Charles Gallatine.

Coordinating the school were Murry Kline, Wayne Long, Larry Marshall and

Tom Schuman, along with Dr. Stanley Falor, director of emergency services at Greene County Memorial Hospital.

Following the staged accident involving a pick-up truck and four cars, the ambulance crews were called to the scene. After administering emergency treatment at the scene, the crews transported the victims to Greene County Memorial Hospital where Dr. Falor coordinated the emergency room staff in treating the victims.

In an evaluation of the exercise, Dr. Falor praised the ambulance personnel for their first aid treatment and espe-

cially in recognizing one of the victims as being more of a mental than medical patient.

Fire companies participating were from Waynesburg, Crucible, Carmichaels, Jefferson, Rices Landing, Clarksville and Greensboro which is in the process of providing an ambulance service. Also assisting in the mock accident as victims were students from the licensed practical nursing program at the Greene County Vocational-Technical School.

The auxiliary to the Jefferson Volunteer Fire Co. provided lunches for the two days of the school.

## Cumberland Supervisors Seek Solution To Flooding Problems

CARMICHAELS — The Cumberland Township Board of Supervisors, in an effort to get something done about flooding along Route 88, Monday called together state and local politicians, PennDOT officials, engineers, a soil conservationist, sewer authority members, and the complaining residents.

The Department of Environmental Resources (DER), an agency taking much of the heat for the situation, failed to have a representative at the meeting.

Several home owners along Route 88 have had extensive damage because of flooding which many blame on the overflowing sewer lines. A small unnamed tributary of Muddy Creek also overflows its banks and causes damage.

William Groves, chairman of the board of supervisors, became frustrated by the various agencies blaming each other and called all interested parties to attend the meeting and explain their positions on the matter.

First to take the floor was John Sokol, District 12 engineer for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. He said a culvert and drainage ditches along the Ceylon Road would be cleaned within the next two weeks. "We have no authority to work on the creek. That falls under the juris-

dition of the DER," Sokol told the large crowd.

Sokol said some of the work could have been done earlier, but a property owner has refused to grant right-of-way easement.

Groves reported that some residents had requested permission to hook their lines back into the septic system on a temporary basis until the flooding was corrected but were refused. He then commented, "DER gave permission to pump raw sewage onto the highway but refuses to allow septic hook-ups. It makes no sense at all."

Earl Burnham, who owns a small store and a home along Route 88, took the floor and claimed that he has been forced to clean his flooded basement on 14 separate occasions. "I told them when the sewer was planned that my home was too low," he said. "I went ahead anyway at the urging of the sewer authority. They have put in a by-pass, a trap, another line and I have purchased a pump, but we still can't use our inside facilities."

Burnham told officials that a plug had been installed in his line as a precaution, but the water forced the plug out and shot water to the ceiling. "PennDOT officials can't say they were not aware of this problem. I called their Union-

town office on at least 15 occasions but they never returned the calls after they refused to answer," Burnham charged.

Burnham said his washer, dryer, water heater and furnace were all ruined because of flooding. "I got partial damage payments after two years," he said.

Groves then told the crowd that he called the DER months ago about the flooding and was told that a flood impact study would have to be made. "We certainly don't need a study. We already knew it was flooding," Groves said.

Groves suggested an investigation by the General Accounting Office because of the federal money involved in the sewer project. Rep. Austin Murphy, who asked several questions during the meeting, said he would endorse a probe but warned residents and officials that money would be halted during the period an investigation would be conducted.

Representatives of Fayette Engineering Co., the sewer line engineering firm, said they would welcome such a probe because they were confident they had followed specifications.

Bruce Chambers, of Fayette Engineering, placed part of the blame on old sewer lines which have cracked and collapsed over the years and

allow surface water into the new lines. Chambers also said several homeowners have hooked roof and driveway drains into the new line, causing extensive infiltration.

"We recently tested 131 homes and found 12 percent of them had illegal drains into the sewer system," Chambers said.

"The system was designed to handle 100 gallons of water per day, per resident but on a rainy day there is 1 1/2 million gallons of water in the system. This is far in excess of what the plant is designed to handle," he said.

At this point, Groves suggested that the sewer authority prosecute those found in violation. Dan Murphy, president of the authority, said he would direct the authority solicitor to begin prosecution when definite proof is obtained that illegal taps have been made.

Groves urged PennDOT and other agencies to keep the supervisors informed about future correspondence with the DER.

Following the meeting in the township municipal building, the participants were taken on a bus tour of the problem areas. Another meeting has been scheduled to discuss progress by PennDOT and any action promised by the DER.

## 3 Businesses Burglarized

Three businesses, all located near each other along High Street just east of the Waynesburg Borough line, were burglarized sometime between their closing Saturday night and opening on Sunday morning.

According to state police, the Wishbone Chicken Restaurant reported \$50 in change was missing. The burglars gained entry to the restaurant by breaking the front door glass.

The other businesses entered were the Best Oil Co. service station and the Haught Car Wash. Neither reported anything taken. In both cases, entry was made by breaking side windows. The only property damage reported in the burglaries were the broken windows.

Judith Jacobs, of Waynesburg R.D.1, reported to state police she was assaulted and her car taken when she gave a ride to a man in his early twenties. The incident occurred at 10:30 p.m. Saturday

along Route 188 in Morgan Township.

State police said the suspect had long black hair and was described as thin built, about five feet four inches tall, and weighing approximately 130 pounds. He was wearing a blue jacket, white T-shirt and blue jeans.

The Jacobs car is a 1977 blue Chevettte.

A Lawnboy mower valued at \$250 was reported taken in the burglary of the home of Rose Arceri, of Graysville R.D.1, according to state police. The burglary occurred sometime between 3 p.m. April 12 and 6 p.m. April 18.

No injuries were reported in a car-motorcycle accident at 11:15 a.m. Saturday on the Ceylon Road near Carmichaels.

State police said a car being driven by Betty Carter, of Carmichaels, made a left turn in front of the motorcycle being operated by Calvin V. Pratt, also of Carmichaels.

Moderate damage was reported to both vehicles.

Melvin Dulaney, of Cameron, W.Va., reported to state police his 1979 blue Chevrolet

four-wheel drive truck was stolen from the Waynesburg Plaza Shopping Center lot sometime between 1 and 2 p.m. Saturday.

## Clarksville Ribbons Fly

Following suit with other communities in the nation, the village of Clarksville has yellow ribbons flying from poles on Main Street and other locations around the town showing support for the Iranian embassy hostages.

The patriotic showing was a result of action taken by the Clarksville and Community Improvement Association at its meeting last week. The idea of showing community support for the hostages in Iran was discussed and adopted unanimously by the group.

In addition to the organization's putting up the yellow ribbons, the families and individuals of the community are

being encouraged to tie yellow ribbons on their trees, poles, etc.

The Community Improvement group hopes the Clarksville area will show a great deal of support for their fellow Americans being held captive in Teheran.

### 107 YEARS OLD

One of Greene County's oldest, if not the oldest, citizens, Frank Rose of Waynesburg, will celebrate his 107th birthday Monday, April 29. The event will be marked by a party at the Waynesburg Senior Citizens' Center at 12:30 p.m. Friends are invited to attend the party.

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Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



A birdseye view of Waynesburg, circa 1900, is shown above, another from the collection of Henry Rodney, a Waynesburg College graduate from Uniontown who is now an executive of Sears Roebuck Corp.'s regional office at West Chester. It was one of a series of local scenes sold by the late William T. Hayes in his variety store on South Washington Street. The area in the foreground is college field, originally a part of the former Waynesburg Fairgrounds. Many more buildings, including the headquarters of Central Cab Bus Co. were not erected at that time.

Campaign For By-Pass Should Not Be Diluted

The Greene County commissioners are currently attempting to set up yet another meeting with state officials at Harrisburg to campaign for construction of the Route 21 by-pass south of Waynesburg.

In the past, they have met with several state secretaries of transportation, former Lt. Gov. Ernest Kline, numerous bureau chiefs and planning officials, and U. S. Senator John Heinz — always receiving encouragement if no action.

With County Commissioners Richard S. Cowan spearheading the effort, they are now seeking an audience with Gov. Richard Thornburgh and his new cabinet-level Economic Development Committee.

The argument, as always, is that the by-pass is urgently needed to reduce traffic congestion through the Morrisville bottleneck on the eastern side of Waynesburg Borough, and to begin the upgrading of Route 21 which will be essential for development of coal resources in the western part of the county.

The request, as it has been for some time, is for the state to put its weight behind an effort to obtain federal funding for the highway through programs designed to assist energy-impacted areas.

In light of the long ongoing campaign for the by-pass, it was rather surprising when Waynesburg Borough Council last week agreed to seek PennDOT assistance for the extension of Franklin Street (a minor street in the business district) into East Waynesburg.

The borough planning commission recommended the improvement, with one of its points being that it would provide an alternative to the by-pass if the extension was carried as far east as the Jefferson road.

Perhaps there are arguments which can be advanced for extending Franklin Street, but it is a borough street, not a state highway, and the proposal can only muddy the waters in light of the virtually unanimous support which the by-pass has received from county and local officials, including the borough.

The borough planning commission might be correct in assessing chances for the by-pass in the near future as remote, but those chances can only be lessened still further if community efforts aren't concentrated and unified in the direction of its construction.



Fact and Folklore John O'Hara

By the time this column appears in print, the spring primary election will be over, but by no means forgotten.

Scarcely any election is ever completely forgotten, what with the old philosophy, "to the victors belong the spoils," enriching the winners and disappointing the losers in one way or another—financially or emotionally.

Despite the general impression many people have of the business, or whatever a person wants to call it, of politics, it's not always an easy road to riches.

The first time I ever voted I also worked on the election board and, if my memory is correct, the pay was five dollars, as compared to \$20 or \$25 it is now. Of course, the buying power was much higher then than now.

The hours were about the same, from 7 a.m. one day to half-past one or two the next, with the hardest part—counting the ballots—coming at the last.

Through the early part of election day it's terribly boring as the people just sort of dribble in until late in the afternoon. Then they all seem to swarm in at once and many of them are more than just a bit testy for fear they'll be too late to get their voting done on time.

In my first experience the day was eased a lot by the principal man on the crew. In our case it was the late Brice Kennedy, the long time jeweler on High Street. He puzzled the newcomers on the board by having everyone sign all of the ballot sheets the first thing before any voters arrived.

We found out why later in the day when an old timer on the board left early for lunch and didn't come back until

mid-afternoon, thoroughly soused and spouting a constant stream of profanity. We knew then the reason for getting the return sheets signed early.

Besides falling all over himself he was as profane as a sailor's parrot and as acidic in his opinions of others—especially Republicans—as the late W.C. Fields used to be at the height of his career as one of Hollywood's greatest comedians.

That year, incidentally, was the first year women were "allowed" (as men folk of that time expressed it) to vote.

As though arranged by the gods themselves, one of the most sedate ladies in town and also one of the town's most fanatic feminists, came in to cast her first vote when the oldtimer was belting his tirades at everything in general and women voters in particular.

Quite a scene ensued until he gradually subsided and the lady got her vote into the ballot box. She made a grand, although somewhat disgusted, exit.

Then came the heavy last hour rush of voters and fortunately the old timer had dozed off in a chair out of sight.

Then the polls finally closed and the workers outside of the voting place blithely left their posts while the board members struggled on until long after midnight and for less money than the workers for the candidates.

And the last thing, before locking the door of the voting place, Mr. Kennedy "poured" the well soused board member into a backroom to sleep off his drunk before the store room was opened the next morning.

Around The Town

By The Staff

Did the election suit you? By the time this is in print it will be too late to do anything about it as the voting ends the same day this is being written. And after today the professional politicians will be starting immediately for the big fall campaign.

More Greene Countians continue to arrive back home from their winter vacations in Florida. Some of the most recent arrivals include Roy and Mae Clovis of Huffman Street. They spent the past five months at New Port Richey where two other Waynesburgers, Charles and Nancy T. Meighen, are year-round residents. It was the Clovis' sixth consecutive journey to that city. Roy, incidentally, had a busy winter as he joined a group of volunteers who made weekly collections of newspapers for one of the charity organizations of the city and which gave him the chance to make many new friends.

A touch of the elegance of the "old days" on Waynesburg's Main (High) Street was uncovered last week when Mickey Bruno removed a metal coating over the entrance to the former Army and Navy storeroom in the Messenger building. He found the delicately tinted glass panels in the facade of the entrance still intact. New bulbs will be placed in the lamps and soon the same soft, multicolored glow which older Waynesburgers recall so vividly will be enjoyed again. Mickey's men's clothing store will be moved to the new locations and open for business next Saturday, May 3.

Mike and Virginia Baker, both now retired from the teaching profession, have returned to their home on Sixth Street in the East End after spending the winter in Sarasota, Fla. A short distance away, at Holiday, Fla., were another couple who attended Waynesburg College

with them, Asa and Mildred Fisher Wiley. Both Mike and "Ace" were regulars on the Waynesburg College football team during the Frank Wolf coaching era.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Williams and daughter Susan, and Miss Elizabeth Walker and Miss Mary Collins, all of Ross Street, spent the weekend at the North Bend State Park at Cairo, W. Va., near the city of Parkersburg. It is a combination recreation complex and nature trails area which were of special interest to all members of the party. Dr. Williams, a professional biologist, is a professor at Waynesburg College and all of the others in the group are interested in floral culture.

There will be a familiar face missing from the informal noon hour gatherings of county officials and courthouse employees at Waynesburg's version of New

York City's Broadway and 42nd Street (the northeast corner of High and Washington Streets) from here on. It will be that of the affable and congenial Joseph Taffoni of Nemaquin, who was chief county assessor when his death occurred Sunday after he was stricken recently while visiting with his son in New Jersey.

Although no formal acceptance have reached the alumni office for Alumni Day at Waynesburg College on May 17, two classmates whose campus romance led to their marriage, Paul and Ruth (Brook) Morris, originally of Carmichaels and Waynesburg, have advised their friends they will be here. They now live at Chapel Hill, N.C. since Paul's retirement from his career service with the State Department at Washington, D.C. Prior to their marriage, Ruth was registrar at the college during the early 1930s.

Landfill Improvement Application Okayed

The Greene County Conservation District board of directors has cleared an application from Waynesburg Borough for a grant to assist with the cost of improvement work at the Waynesburg landfill to make ready for its closing.

The application is being submitted to the Penns Corners Rural Conservation and Development (RC&D) executive council for its approval as a "critical area treatment measure."

Karl Niederwerfer, U.S. Soil Conservation Service technician for the county, said a "very rough" estimate of the cost involved in the project would be \$30,000, of which 50 percent would be provided by RC&D funding. The borough could possibly provide its share through in-kind services, he said.

The project would involve covering and seeding of the section of the landfill which is no longer being used, with the cost depending on the amount of cover which will be required by the Department of Environmental Resources, Niederwerfer said.

In all likelihood, funding would not be available until Oct. 1 when the 1980-81 fiscal year begins, Niederwerfer said, so that work could begin this fall at the earliest, and more probably in the spring of 1981.

The RC&D application is part of a package of aid the borough is seeking to phase out the landfill in compliance with a DER order that it be closed by March 15, 1981.

Waynesburg Borough Manager James Ealy noted that earlier this week the county agreed to apply for \$30,000 in CETA funding to provide manpower to conduct a rat control program at landfill in conjunction with the phase-out. The DER has approved an application to have the state provide the rodenticide which will be required for this program.

One of the major keys to meeting the closing deadline is progress which is made in the next year toward the establishment of a regional refuse transfer station to serve 10 municipalities in northeastern Greene County, including the borough. Work on the establishment of such a station, which would process refuse for removal to an out-of-county sanitary landfill, is being done by the Northeast Greene County Solid Waste Authority.

Senior Citizens Activities

The Greene County Senior Citizens' Center at 341 North Richhill Street, Waynesburg, has announced some of the activities that will be held at the center in May.

On Tuesday, May 6, the center will sponsor a bus trip to the Century III Mall.

On Mondays in May, there will be workshops on communications conducted by Cheryl Ambrose between 12.30 and 2.30 p.m.

The center will continue to hold craft classes at 9:30 a.m. on Mondays under the guidance of Florence Mancuso

Letter Box

To The Editor: Recent newspaper reports of doings of the Wheeling Creek Watershed Commission (WC) and the USDA Soil Conservation Service (SCS) are very interesting to us who have been opposing the destructive plans of these two agencies.

We were happy to hear some time ago that the absurd idea of a recreation area to compete with Ryerson Station State Park had been eliminated. It appears, however, that the WC and SCS are going full speed ahead with the plan to supply water to United States Steel Corp. at a bargain price at the expense of the taxpaying public, a scheme which now seems to be the heart of the matter.

It should be remembered that the original purpose of these dams was flood control in the Wheeling, W.Va. area. The figures in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) clearly showed that the cost-benefit ratio, if confined to this purpose, was much out of line, so that it was necessary to dream up other benefits, namely, (1) the county park and (2) water supply. The county park was obviously indefensible. As for the water supply, it is difficult to fit this into a cost-benefit

analysis when the benefit goes to a private corporation and the cost is charged against federal tax funds.

It appears the WC and SCS are going to be less casual in the preparation of the EIS this time around but they are still faced with the cost-benefit dilemma and must depend on some other ploy. It is reasonable to guess that the WC will be telling the public how badly a municipal water supply is needed in western Greene County and how neatly a lake behind Dam 648 on Enlow Fork will fill the bill.

Such a supply is in fact not needed, but if it were there are serious drawbacks which the WC will not mention. (1) U.S.S. will insist that it have high priority in the use of the water; (2) the water when U.S.S. gets through with it will not be as good water; (3) the water will be available to households only at high cost to the householders, simply because supply lines have to be laid and individual connections made, after which come the regular water bills.

There will no doubt be other fanciful goodies offered to the inhabitants of Greene County by these busy destroyers. Let us all beware!

Robert L. Buckbee, Wind Ridge, Pa.

Divorces Granted

The Greene County Court has handed down eight final decrees in divorce.

JoAnn Grim King Flanagan, New Freeport, from Bobby Eugene Flanagan, New Freeport; indignities. There are no children.

Helen Jacqueline Perry, Bobtown, from Thurman W. Perry, Masontown; indignities. They were married Nov. 7, 1959 and have three children.

Rochelle Lynn Maison Jolliffe, Mather, from Marion

Lee Jolliffe, Waynesburg R.D.1; indignities. They were married March 29, 1975. There are no children.

Ethel Marie Tenney Cox, Waynesburg R.D.4, from Ronald R. Cox, Canton; indignities. They were married April 27, 1979.

Darla Faye Kucik Varesko, Carmichaels, from Robert Ronald Varesko, Rices Landing R.D.1; adultery. They were married Sept. 23, 1972 and have two children.

Under The Dome Bob Eichenlaub

The Greene County commissioners and the county assessment department are almost certain to draw flack later this year when notices go out to property owners advising them that the ratio between market value and assessed value will be increased from 20 percent to 30 percent, effective in 1981.

The result will be to increase the assessed value of all taxable real estate in the county from \$100 million to \$150 million without making any change in the market value assigned to property.

It will also mean the assessed value on individual properties will change. For example, a house with a market value of \$60,000 is now assessed at \$12,000. In 1981 it will carry an assessed value of \$18,000.

The thing which property owners must remember is that increased assessment does not necessarily mean that taxes they pay are to be increased by 33 percent. What it does mean is that the will have to keep a close eye on what happens when county and municipal budgets are adopted late this year, and when school district budgets are adopted in June of next year.

The county, for example, currently has an 18 1/2-mill tax levy, with produces annual revenues of some \$1,850,000. With the new tax base, the same amount of revenue could be raised with a 12 1/2-mill levy.

But preliminary estimates are that the county will need revenue of \$2.1 million in 1981, and it is a good guest that the

1981 levy will be set at about 14 mills to produce that amount. Townships and boroughs, which will be preparing their 1981 budgets at the same time, will face the same situation. They will be able to reduce their tax levies and still increase their revenues.

The thing property owners will have to watch for is that they do cut their levies, resisting the temptation to adopt a budget "with no increase in real estate millage," when such action would actually give them a windfall of added income.

The same thing will hold true of school districts when they adopt their 1981-82 budgets in the spring of next year. As hard pressed as school districts are for operating monies, it will require discipline on their part not to take advantage of the situation.

The county commissioners took the action to revise the assessment ratio because the county probably could not have raised the money it will need next year without exceeding the 20-mill legal ceiling on millage with the present assessment base.

At 20 percent, the assessment ratio in Greene County was undoubtedly one of the lowest in the state. Washington County, for example, uses 30 percent; Fayette County 35 percent, and Allegheny County 50 percent.

But the ratio is rather immaterial. The thing to be alert for is that the millage is property levied against the assessment base to produce no more than the amount of revenue which is absolutely needed.



Between The Bookends Marcia McKenna Biddle

Our hero Finley Peter Dunne would probably not have celebrated National Library Week. He had nothing against libraries, but he was more concerned about writers.

Dunne was a contemporary of Andrew Carnegie's, and was not among his admirers. In a newspaper column published around 1900, he had his noted bartender, Mr. Dooley, ask his friend Mr. Hennessy:

"Has Andrew Carnaygie given ye a library yet?"

"Not that I know iv," said Mr. Hennessy.

"He will," said Mr. Dooley, getting down to his usual business, which was satirizing everything and everybody. He and my friend Agnes the Cynic would have made a good pair.

"Ye'll not escape him," Dooley warned Hennessy. "Before he dies he hopes to crowd a library on ivry man, woman, an' child in th' country. He's given them to cities, towns, villages, an' whistlin' stations. Before another year, ivry house in Pittsburg that ain't a blast-furnace will be a Carnaygie library."

"Does he give th' books that go with it?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"Books?" said Mr. Dooley. "What ar-re ye talkin' about? D'y'you know what a library is? I suppose ye think it's a place where a man can go, haul down one of his fav'rite authors fr'm th' shelf, an' take a nap in it. That's not a Carnaygie library. A Carnaygie library is a large, brown-stone, impenetrable buildin' with th' name iv' th' maker blown on th' door. A Carnaygie library is archytechoor, not lithrachoor."

Oh, literature would be represented, Dooley said. The most celebrated dead authors would have their names painted on the wall, "in distinguished company, as thus: Andrew Carnaygie, Shakespeare, Andrew Carnaygie, Byron; Andrew Carnaygie, Bobby Burns; Andrew Carnaygie, an' so on. That's th' dead authors. Th' live authors will stand outside an' wish they were dead."

Why? Well, Dooley says he knows a poet who received two dollars for his latest poem, "payable on publication." (And that price hasn't gone up much yet.) "Lithrachoor don't need advancin'. What it needs is advances fr' th' lithrachoor."

Translated, that means

Dooley thought writers ought to be better paid. And he thought that if Carnegie was going to present libraries, he should provide them with some means of support, too.

He had a solution: "If Andrew frad put a kitchen in th' libraries an' build some bunks or even swing a few hammocks where livin' authors could crawl in at night an' sleep while waitin' fr this enlightened nation to wake up an' discover th' Shakespeares now on th' turf, he would be givin' a rale boost to lithrachoor. With th' smoke curlin' fr'm th' chimbley, an' hundreds of poets settin' aroun' a table loaded down with pancakes an' talkin' poetry an' 'prize-fightin', with their wives holdin' down good-payin' jobs as librarians or cooks, an' their happy little childer playin' through th' marble corridors, Andrew Carnaygie wud not have lived in vain."

He likes Andrew, though, he insists, because he's not afraid to "give publicly." "Ye don't find him puttin' on false whiskers an' turnin' up his coat-collar when he goes out to be benevolent. No, sir. Ivry time he drops a dollar it makes a noise like a waiter fallin' down-stairs with a tray iv dishes!"

Two things remain—writers are still underpaid, and your local library needs your support.

Sentences Given

Sanford D. Griffin, 38, Dilliner R.D.1, was sentenced in Greene County Court Wednesday on charges of kidnapping and sexually assaulting two boys, ages 15 and 13.

He was sentenced to serve from 18 months to five years in the Western Penitentiary.

Griffin was found guilty of the charges following a non-jury trial on Feb. 28 and motions for a new trial were recently dismissed by Judge Glenn Toothman. The incident which led to his arrest happened July 14, 1979.

Gary E. Smitley, 31, Waynesburg R.D.6, was sentenced by the court to serve from three months to six months in the Greene County jail for violation of a court order.

Smitley had been ordered to pay \$300 in fines and costs when he pleaded guilty on Feb. 20 to charges of failing to stop at the scene of an accident and to driving without an operator's license.



# West Greene Board Accepts Perry Resignation

The West Greene School Board Wednesday night accepted the resignation of Dr. Robert Perry as the district superintendent of schools.

Early last week Dr. Perry was named by the South Side Area School District as its new superintendent and last Wednesday night he unofficially told members of the West Greene board that he had accepted the position with the Beaver County school district.

During Wednesday's meeting his formal resignation was accepted. He has served in the West Greene District for the past four years.

The board also heard a report from solicitor James Hook on progress being made by the district's architects to bring bids opened earlier this month for the proposed middle school addition and renovation to the existing high school building, and named a paying agent for the bond issue for the construction work.

Solicitor Hook told the board that the district architects, Foreman, Dorsh, Bashford and Wallace, have been working on cutting some of the costs from bids received on the construction and renovation work at the proposed middle school and high school.

By cutting some areas in the bids completely out and forcing other bidders to re-bid certain items, Hook said the architects have brought the cost of the project down to its estimated cost of \$5,350,000.

During his presentation Hook noted that statistics reveal that under the current tax structure in the district, 76 percent of all real estate taxes in the West Greene District are being paid by four owners of vast coal fields, Consolidated Coal Co., Consolidated Natural Gas, Pennsylvania Power and Light and United States Steel.

Hook said that a 30-year bond issue would require an annual payment of \$475,000, of which the state would pay \$175,000 per year, the coal companies \$210,000 per year and local property owners only about \$90,000 per year.

In a related matter, the board selected the lowest bidder, Gallatin National Bank, as the paying agent for the bond issue. First National Bank of Washington and First National Bank of Carmichaels also had bid for the position.

The board heard a request from officials of the Bowlby Public Library, which operates the Greene County Bookmobile serving four school districts in the county, for additional funding during the 1980-81 school year.

Joseph Hart, a member of the library board, explained that the other three districts in the county which participate in the Bookmobile program, Central Greene, Jefferson-Morgan, and Southeastern Greene, pay approximately three-tenths of a mill towards the program's annual expenses, but due to the increased assessment of the West Greene District, that board paid only about \$3,000 last year as its share.

It was noted by Dr. Perry that under the formula utilized by the library to determine what the share will be for each district, West Greene should be paying in the neighborhood of \$10,000.

Board president Robert Andrew assured the library representatives that the board would take a serious look into the matter while formulating next year's school budget.

The board also tabled bids for a new pickup truck and central air conditioning for the administrative offices.

Dr. Perry, following a request by the board, agreed to check with the South Side Area School District to determine if his starting date at his new position could be moved back one month from July 1, the date he is to take

over his new responsibilities. He told the board if the delay was not possible, he

would donate his time during night hours to help assure a smooth transition for the West

Greene District. A search committee, composed of administrators Wil-

liam Throckmorton and Paul Polink, two members of the district's citizen organization,

PRIDE, two members of the teaching staff and the board's personnel committee was ap-

pointed to begin the search for a new superintendent. The position will be posted

and advertised and the board will accept applications until May 30.

## A report to the public on 1979 from your Blue Cross Plan:

# A year filled with promise, performance, and ...concern.

A recent public service message from your Blue Cross Plan said: "The most modern health care includes old-fashioned concern."

It also suggested that concern for the patient, for the quality of care delivered, and for the cost of that care, are timeless concerns. 1979 was a year for showing special concern in these vital areas.

### Concern for the Subscriber

One of the most encouraging developments in recent years is the growing realization that people have a responsibility to protect their own health by following good personal health habits. During 1979, Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania conducted an extensive communication program devoted to promoting more healthful personal lifestyles.

In addition to health-oriented messages in newspapers, magazines, and on television, hundreds of thousands of booklets have been distributed free upon request to residents of Western Pennsylvania. These booklets include helpful information on stress, nutrition, children's health, exercise, VD, poison, alcoholism, and safety.

In cooperation with Pennsylvania Blue Shield, we sponsored "The Human Race", a series of 6.2 mile races designed to emphasize the physical benefits of running. Two thousand runners entered through regional qualifying races in Pittsburgh, Johnstown, Edinboro, Butler, and Washington, Pa. This successful event concentrated attention on how regular physical conditioning can benefit the cardiovascular system and promote better personal health.

Focusing on our subscribers' health is one way to show our concern for them. Providing better service is another. In 1979, we expanded activities at customer service centers located in the Beaver Valley and Eastland Malls. Our highly trained personnel at these locations have immediate access to information stored in our Pittsburgh computers. The result is faster, more comprehensive service for Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania subscribers, who now number more than 2,700,000.

### Concern for the Quality of Care

In cooperation with area physicians and hospitals, an intensified utilization review program was begun in 1979. Utilization review has been a mainstay of the Plan's cost control efforts for over 20 years, but last year's innovations will increase the potential impact of this important activity by permitting the review to begin on the day of admission to a hospital.

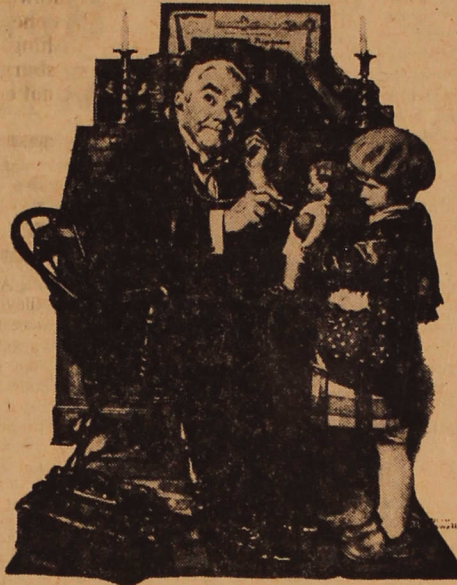
Of course, effective review of hospital stays brings the added benefit of assuring that subscribers receive the care they require, in the most appropriate setting—hospital, skilled nursing facility, or even at home.

Assuring the public access to quality care is a Blue Cross tradition. This Plan has traditionally provided sound programs of coverage to all segments of the community—to those in good and poor health alike. And we've expanded benefits under those programs to keep the protection that they offer solidly up to date with improving medical technology and patterns of treatment.

### Concern for the Delivery of Care

The delivery of health care becomes more complex and costly each year, complicating the administrative tasks of hospitals. Blue Cross works closely with hospital personnel to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of their own efforts.

The use of industrial engineering and management techniques—our Management Consulting Service, for example—has helped hospitals to increase efficiency, contain costs, and identify problem areas—all contributing to the improved delivery of care. Another program provides a



Illustrator Norman Rockwell possessed the genius to demonstrate the quality of concern for the individual, whatever the age or status. This cover illustration from the 1979 Annual Report reflects our continuing concern for meeting the health care needs of the people of Western Pennsylvania.

centralized computer system at Blue Cross headquarters in Pittsburgh which gives participating hospitals the advantage of high-speed data processing without the attendant expenses for on-site hardware and personnel.

Ninety-two area hospitals are now benefiting from our Automated Outpatient Claims System—a telecommunications network that has saved time and expense by virtually eliminating manual preparation, mailing and processing of outpatient claims. The system also generates valuable management reports.

### Concern for Performance

Concern for health costs and subscriber service begins with our own Plan performance.

Concentration on high-efficiency processing methods enabled us to process more than \$1.6 billion in health care claims last year. Blue Cross employees are proud of the fact that for the third consecutive year, our Plan achieved the highest productivity rate and the lowest cost in the nation for processing Medicare Part A claims.

Corporate cost per unit of work continued to decline, while productivity in terms of work units per employee increased.

### Concern for the Cost of Care

The rising cost of health care is a serious matter of public concern. During 1979, our Board of Directors' Cost Containment Committee strongly reemphasized the need to explore new approaches in moderating future cost increases. Partly as a result of these efforts, the average cost of a day of inpatient care in Western Pennsylvania is among the lowest of any heavily industrialized area in the nation.

A prospective method of reimbursing hospitals has helped to contain costs by obtaining advance agreement with providers on payment amounts; creating incentives to keep a close eye on expenses. When audits show that hospitals have been able to hold costs to below prospectively agreed-to levels, they share equally with Blue Cross in the savings. The cumulative savings to date from this reimbursement program, in which a number of Western Pennsylvania hospitals are currently participating, exceed \$37 million.

Blue Cross also has taken an active role in the Pennsylvania Voluntary Effort (PAVE) to reduce the rate of increase in total hospital costs. The Plan is represented on the State Committee and various sub-committees and has other top people serving in staff capacities.

### 1979 Performance in Review

The following data profile the operation of the Plan in 1979:

Subscription income in 1979 amounted to \$573,285,576, compared to the previous year's \$502,029,056.

The cost of claims for subscriber care was \$553,573,694. The comparable figure for 1978 was \$470,346,042.

Operating expenses were \$20,490,565, or 3.6 percent of subscription income, compared to \$17,884,002, or 3.6 percent of subscription income in 1978.

Reserves at year-end 1979 were \$96,635,363, equal to 2.02 months of average monthly underwriting expense. Reserves at the end of 1978 were \$83,772,399, equal to 2.06 months of underwriting expense.

The average cost of a day of inpatient care for Blue Cross subscribers in Western Pennsylvania hospitals was \$212.69, or 13.9 percent higher than the previous year's \$186.69.

The average cost of an outpatient case increased to \$43.88 in 1979, from \$39.41 in 1978.

The total number of inpatient and outpatient claims incurred was 2,385,734, compared to 2,224,644 in 1978.

Outpatient claims increased to 1,977,175 in 1979 from the 1,832,895 claims incurred in 1978.

Inpatient claims showed a moderate increase, to 408,559 in 1979 from the previous year's 391,749.

There were 210,155 major medical claims incurred in 1979, and 488,664 prescription drug claims. The comparable figures for 1978 were 150,400 major medical claims, and 398,000 prescription drug claims.

As intermediary for the Medicare and Medicaid programs, the Corporation processed 1,378,105 claims representing \$613,868,642. This compared with 1,290,236 claims representing \$528,574,264 for 1978.

At the close of 1979 there were 1,318,292 basic Agreements in force covering 2,700,755 subscribers. At year-end 1978 the comparable figures were 1,267,663 Agreements and 2,611,212 subscribers.

The average length of hospital stay for patients under 65 years of age in 1979 declined to 6.33 days, compared to 6.47 days in 1978.

Our 1979 performance, coupled with our concern for the community's health needs, gives continuing promise for increasing service. For more details, write for a free copy of our Annual Report.

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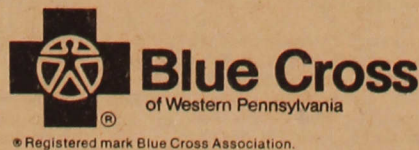
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## Pickets At Greene Plaza

Pickets representing craft unions working at the new Greene Shopping Plaza in Franklin Township Friday slowed traffic going into the shopping center and halted all construction on new businesses.

According to a source at the shopping plaza, non-union employees were working in the Radio Shack Thursday night and union construction workers were protesting.

Pickets left the scene early Friday afternoon after the issue was apparently resolved.



Registered mark Blue Cross Association.



# County Obituaries

## Sollars

Harry Arnold Sollars, 91, Mt. Morris, died at 8:40 a.m. Thursday, April 17, 1980, in Monongalia General Hospital, Morgantown, W.Va., after a long illness.

He was a son of James and Elizabeth Murphy Sollars and was born June 4, 1888, at Hartmanville, W.Va. and had resided at Mt. Morris for the past 37 years. He was a retired coal miner, having been employed by the Valley Camp Coal Company.

Mr. Sollars served with the U.S. Marine Corps during World War I. He was a member of Local 1058, United Mine Workers of America; the Mt. Morris American Legion post, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars post at Morgantown.

Surviving are his wife, Hazel Clark Sollars; two sons, James Sollars of Cleveland, Ohio and Robert Sollars of Brook; six daughters, Mrs. Lawrence (Betty) Bowser of Morgantown, Mrs. Gerald (Louise) Woods of Core, W.Va., Mrs. Wanda Tennant of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. William (Sylvia) Close of Toledo, Ohio, Mrs. Hazel Laskody of Mt. Morris and Mrs. William (Ruth) Cale of Masontown, W.Va.; 34 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Guy (Pearl) Smith of Elk Garden, W.Va. and Mrs. Melvin (Maude) Wilt of Morgantown.

Three sons, a daughter, eight sisters, a brother, a grandchild and two great-grandchildren are deceased.

## Taffoni

Joseph A. Taffoni, 64, of Nemaquin, died Sunday, April 20, in Garden State Community Hospital, Marlton, N.J., where he had been hospitalized since becoming ill several weeks ago while visiting his son.

Mr. Taffoni, who was chief assessor for Greene County, was born November 21, 1915 at LaBelle, a son of Umberto Taffoni of Brownsville and the late Candida Abbadini Taffoni. He had resided at Nemaquin for the past 34 years and was a member of Our Lady of Consolation Church at Nemaquin.

He was also a member of the Pennsylvania Assessors Association, the Waynesburg Elks Lodge, and the Sons of Italy Club at Masontown.

As a young man, he had been active in baseball and was a member of the Fayette County Baseball Hall of Fame.

Surviving in addition to his father are his wife, Agnes Cseko Taffoni; a son, Joseph Taffoni of Medford, N.J.; two grandchildren, Matthew and Maria Taffoni of Medford; a brother, Ernest Taffoni of Brownsville; two sisters, Mrs. Thomas (Mary) Kotnosky of Nemaquin and Mrs. Harry (Clara) Kulan of Levittown; and a number of nieces and nephews.

## Taffoni

Joseph A. Taffoni, 64, of Nemaquin, Chief Greene County Assessor, died at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 20, 1980, in Garden State Memorial Hospital, Marlton, N.J., where he had been hospitalized for the past three weeks.

He had gone to New Jersey to visit his son during the Easter holiday.

Taffoni, who had been employed with the Greene County assessment department for the past 12 years, had been appointed chief county assessor three years ago.

Arrangements are in charge of the Michael Lucas Funeral Home, Carmichaels. A complete obituary will appear in Tuesday's Observer-Reporter.

## Maxwell

George Maxwell, 74, a former resident of Waynesburg, died Sunday, April 20, 1980, in Cleveland, Ohio, where he had made his home for the past seven years.

He was a son of the Rev. Robert Maxwell and Maude Pollock Maxwell and was born in India while his father was a missionary there.

Mr. Maxwell was a former pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg. While residing in Cleveland he had a private law practice.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Nancy Parish and Mrs. William (Peggy) Christopher, and a brother, R. Wallace Maxwell of Waynesburg.

## Kennedy

Jessie M. Kennedy, 90, of 143 South Morris Street, Waynesburg, died at 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, April 22, 1980, in Greene County Memorial Hospital, following a long illness.

She was born July 1, 1889, in Jollytown, a daughter of the late Walter P. and Cynthia White Manning.

On August 17, 1910, she married Brice W. Kennedy, who died October 22, 1967.

Mrs. Kennedy was a graduate of the Waynesburg College School of Music. She was a housewife and had worked part-time in the family jewelry store at Waynesburg.

Mrs. Kennedy, a former resident of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, had resided in Waynesburg since 1902. She was a member of the First Methodist Church of Waynesburg, where she had taught Sunday School, and was a member of the Worthwhile Bible Class. She was a past matron of the Order of Eastern Star, Emerald Chapter 135 and the Rhodora Club.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Alice M. Colgan of Baltimore, Md., one niece and five nephews.

Two brothers, Warren Manning and Dr. Milton F. Manning, are deceased. A son, Brice W. Kennedy Jr., died in infancy.

## Troutman

Michael K. Troutman, 79, of 113 North Maiden Street, Waynesburg, died at 11 a.m. Monday, April 21, 1980, in his home of an apparent coronary occlusion. He had been in his usual health and his death was unexpected.

Mr. Troutman was born June 17, 1900, in Avalon, a son of P.A. and Annie Barry Troutman and was married August 15, 1923, to Lucile Cowell Troutman, who survives.

Most of his life was spent in the Waynesburg area where he was employed by Carnegie Gas Company for 42 years. He retired as superintendent in 1964.

Mr. Troutman was a member of Waynesburg Borough Council and the police committee of the council. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Surviving in addition to his wife are two sons, Edward C. of Lexington, Ky., and Barry V. of Bethel Park; seven grandchildren; a great-granddaughter; and two brothers, W. (Web) Troutman of Seal Beach, Calif., and Robert W. Troutman of Waynesburg.

Two brothers, Thomas N. and Calvin A., are deceased.

## Piatt

John O. Piatt, 61, of Cleveland, Ohio, died at 11:57 p.m. Monday, April 21, 1980, in Euclid General Hospital, Cleveland.

He was born in Waynesburg, March 10, 1919, a son of John W. and Catherine Sharp Piatt.

His wife, Gaynell Mullins Piatt, survives.

Mr. Piatt had resided for the last 25 years in Cleveland where he was employed as a core maker at the P&B Foundry Co.

He served with the U.S. Army during World War II. Mr. Piatt was a Protestant.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, John E. Piatt of Washington; four grandchildren, John, David, Michael and Deborah, all of Washington; and one brother, Edwin Piatt of Washington.

A brother, Paul, and a sister, Lillian, are deceased.

## Calvert

Amy Renee Calvert, infant daughter of Rick Allen and Connie Patterson Calvert of Waynesburg, died Sunday, April 20, 1980, in the Monongalia County General Hospital at Morgantown, W.Va.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Patterson of Waynesburg R.D. 3; the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Haven Calvert of Waynesburg R.D. 3; two maternal great-grandmothers, Mrs. Irene Davis of Jefferson, and Mrs. Florence Patterson of Waynesburg; and a maternal great-grandfather, Karl Davis of Jefferson.

Private services and burial, in charge of the Mariner and Milliken Funeral Home, North Maiden Street, Waynesburg, will be held at the convenience of the family.

## Hepler

Charles F. Hepler, 80, of Mather, died in the Greene County Memorial Hospital, Thursday, April 17, 1980.

He was born August 3, 1899, at Wickhaven, a son of John F. and Phoebe Ellen Reed Hepler.

His wife, Edna M. Hess Hepler, died December 17, 1972.

Mr. Hepler was a retired coal miner and a member of UMWA. He was a former resident of Fredericktown and a member of the Mather Christian Church.

Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Richard (Eleanor) Parks of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, Mrs. Kenneth (Betty) Hoover, Wellsville, Ohio, Mrs. Harold (Emma Jean) Ball of Clarksburg, Mrs. William (Edna Lee) Kotch of Nemaquin, Mrs. Thomas (Pauline) Welling of Kent, Ohio, Mrs. Ronald (Barbara) Hager of Stow, Ohio; four sons, Charles C. and John F., both of Indianapolis, Ind., James A. of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and Kenneth R. of Canfield, Ohio; 29 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and two sisters, Elizabeth Biesecker of Parma, Ohio, and Margaret Garnett of Big Pine Key, Fla.

A son, John Frick Hepler, and daughter, Phoebe Ellen Reed Hepler, are deceased.

## Wood

Mary E. Wood, 79, of 359 North Richhill Street, Waynesburg, died in her home after a short illness at 8 p.m. Sunday, April 20, 1980.

She was born August 3, 1900, in Waynesburg, a daughter of Attorney John L. Wood and Blanche Jewell Wood. She graduated from Waynesburg College in 1923 and received her master's degree from Columbia University in 1927.

Miss Wood was a retired college professor, having taught science at Salem (W.Va.) College, Greenbrier (W.Va.) College, the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut, and Chowan College, Murfreesboro, N.C.

She was a lifetime member of the First Baptist Church of Waynesburg and was also a member of the John Corby Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, and the American Association of University Women.

A sister, Mrs. Helen Wood Scott of Waynesburg, survives.

## McEwen

Robert James McEwen, 61, formerly of McCracken, died Thursday, April 17, 1980, in Burlington, Kan.

He was born September 3, 1919, in North Braddock, a son of James and Ruth Hensel McEwen.

Mr. McEwen was employed as a police officer by the Burlington police department for the past year and a half.

He served with the U.S. Air Force during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Charlotte McEwen of McCracken; two daughters, Roberta and Ruth at home; seven stepchildren, Robert Smith of Emporia, Kan., David Smith of Pittsburgh, Paul Smith of San Francisco, Calif., Mrs. Ralph (Lonnice) Cheek and Myrtle Smith of Aleppo, Mrs. Charles (Mary) Six of Bristoria, and Sgt. Allen (Tony) Smith, who is stationed in Korea; and one sister, Hazel of North Braddock.

Graveside services were held Monday, April 21, at Graeland Cemetery, Burlington, Kans.

## Forshey

Jerry L. Forshey, 42, of Orange, California, died at 8 p.m. Friday, April 18, 1980, at Orange.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Forshey, of Waynesburg.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are his wife, Viviane; two daughters, Jessica and Janet; two sons, Marc and Patrick; one sister, Mrs. Barbara Morris of Waynesburg; and two brothers, Allen Forshey, of Fort Leonard, Mo., and Ernest Forshey, of Sacramento, Calif.

Services will be held in Orange, Calif.

## Wilson

Ellen C. Wilson, 54, of New Freeport R.D.1, died Friday, April 18, 1980, at 5:30 p.m. in the Curry Memorial Home following a long illness.

She was born January 30, 1926, a daughter of the late Frank and Belva Hughes Crow.

On April 5, 1947, she was married to James R. Wilson, who survives.

There will be no funeral arrangements. Mrs. Wilson had willed her body to the Human Gifts Registry of the West Virginia University Medical Center.

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Services will be held in Orange, Calif.

# Coal Owners Get Support Pledge

A member of the Carter administration pledged his support to the Greene County Coal Owners Association during the group's annual meeting Tuesday.

The schedule of business also included the election of a new board of directors to serve during the ensuing year.

Jack Sullivan, administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration and a member of the President's Task Force on Coal, agreed to become the White House contact for the association in its effort to market its coal.

The Coal Owners Association consists of some 800 families in western Greene County who have banded together to sell Mapletown and Sewickley coal which underlies their property. More than 100,000

acres of coal are involved. Sullivan, who attended the Naval Academy with President Carter and chaired his 1976 campaign in Pennsylvania, feels he is in a position to cut through "red tape" and "provide you with quick answers." He congratulated the group on its program, noting that it would give a boost to coal development in the area.

President Tony Hartlage presided over the meeting. He estimates that the coal resources pooled with the association are worth about \$25 million.

## Parking Permits

Waynesburg Borough Manager Jim Ealy reminds persons who park in the borough for an entire work day, that parking permits for all four municipal parking lots are now on sale in his office.

Twenty-three persons were elected to the board of directors for the ensuing year, 16 of them on a regional basis and seven on an at-large basis.

Elected as representatives from Center, Wayne and Franklin Townships were Marc Haney, Tony Hartlage, Francis Huffman and Sam King. Those from Washington, Morris and Gray Townships are Jim Hildreth, Bill Shumaker, Martha Pettit and George Yurt. Aleppo, Richhill and Springhill Township representatives are Melvin Houston, Deloris Kennedy, Milt Jones and Jim Rizor.

Those elected as at-large representatives are Dorsey Phillips, Gordon Scott, Rose-dale Miller, Rudy Marisa, Doug Walker, Victor Doman and Arthur Patterson.

# Stewardship Theme Of Methodist Church Talk

Special services will be held at the Jefferson United Methodist Church on April 20-23 with Rev. Bruce Taylor, pastor of the West Nash United Methodist Church, of

Wilson, N.C. as the featured speaker.

Taylor is associate national director of stewardship in the United Methodist Church. Theme of the special services

will be "Stewardship of Time and Talents."

Services will begin Sunday, April 20, with a fellowship dinner at 5:30 p.m. followed by a singspiration and film at 7 p.m. with Taylor.

A sack-lunch seminar for women will be held at 11 a.m. Monday with another singspiration at 7 p.m.

An after-school special will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday for boys and girls in nursery school through high school. There will be a singspiration at 7 p.m.

A men's fellowship spaghetti supper will be held at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday with another singspiration to follow at 7 p.m.

Rev. Bob Baur, the host pastor, invites the public to attend.

# Area Residents Warned Of Solicitation Fraud

Businesses and residents in the Waynesburg-Franklin Township area are warned that persons who have been soliciting funds for the Waynesburg Volunteer Fire Co. or the Greene County Firemen's Association do not represent either the fire company or the firemen's association.

Waynesburg fire chief John Gardner and Larry Marshall, president of the county association, said Wednesday afternoon that they have received a number of reports from area businesses that persons have been attempting to solicit funds in the name of the

fire company or association. Gardner and Marshall say that no member of the local department or association is currently soliciting funds.

Persons in the area who might already have donated should contact Marshall, Gardner or Wayne Long, county fire marshal, with as much information as possible.

Residents and businesses are asked to contact Waynesburg Borough or state police should a person attempt to solicit as a member of the fire company.

# Rotarians Hear WERC Plans

Two officials of the Waynesburg Economic Revitalization Corporation (WERC) gave Waynesburg Rotarians an updated report on the proposed downtown revitalization and rehabilitation project currently under study by local and HUD officials.

A final HUD decision on the \$460,000 grant for the project is pending and will not be known until June.

Attorney Robert Berryman, WERC president and Robert Lang, treasurer of the organization, addressed the members.

Berryman told the Rotarians that their recent pledge of \$1,000 to the project "has my sincerest personal thanks and the thanks of all our members. This kind of community support is an essential ingredient in convincing HUD to grant the funds requested, hopefully in June, so that we can get underway."

Lang, the evening's main speaker, reviewed the project's history and then reported on results of a meeting which WERC held a week ago with property owners in the two blocks of High Street between Morgan and Morris Streets which serves as the "pilot area."

Twelve owners, according to Lang, attended the meeting, and nine made appointments with WERC's consulting engineer for a survey of their buildings this week. Purpose of this survey is to determine which specific buildings are suitable for rehabilitation and ultimate use as apartment sites for the elderly and low-to-moderate income families.

Lang said that the consulting engineer is coming from the Neilan Engineers of Somerset. "This preliminary survey is required in order to provide HUD with specific data on potential housing units available here. We will also need commitments from property owners who wish to be a part of this project that will, in fact, meet their share of the rehabilitation." WERC, Lang added, will employ an administrative aide to handle the documentation required by HUD once the project is underway should it receive the green light to go ahead.

He also noted that WERC is "in close touch with West Penn for removal of cables in the pilot area."

# UMWA Officials Announce Support

In a statement issued Sunday night, United Mine Workers of America officers of southwestern Pennsylvania and Districts Four and Five — which cover all of southwestern Pennsylvania — announced their support in Tuesday's primary election for Walter Radishik and Dr. Thomas E. Morgan as delegates to the upcoming Democratic convention.

Martin Connor, international executive board and District Five member; Walter Suba, international executive board and District Four member; and James Kelly, District Four president, said that both Radishik and Morgan have always shown strong support for labor.

The two WERC officials responded to several questions from the Rotarians. These dealt largely with rent limits as approved by HUD, the scope of HUD guarantees, and related matters.

They were introduced by Rotarian Peter Jabour, also a member of the WERC.

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The First and Final Account of Allan A. Stephenson, Executor of the Estate of Elizabeth S. Hope, late of Carmichaels Borough, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

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Estate of Donald G. Wells, late of Perry Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

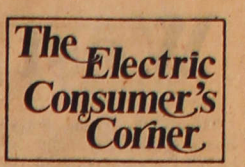
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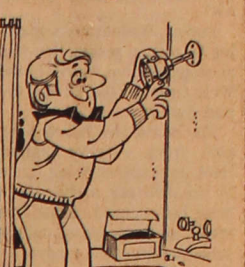
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