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Most Of Synfuels Plant Coal Will Come From County

By ROBIN ROBERTS
Staff Writer

CLARKSBURG, W.Va. — A spokesman for the Consolidated Natural Gas Co. (CNG) Monday confirmed that most of the coal for the company's proposed synfuels plant in Point Pleasant, W.Va., is contained in huge reserves the company has acquired in Greene County since 1968.

Just last week the Department of Energy (DOE) awarded a \$3.9 million grant to Ohio Valley Synthetic Fuels Plant — a joint venture between CNG and Standard Oil of Ohio (SOHIO) — to conduct a feasibility study on construction of the synfuels plant in Mason County, W.Va.

The two parent companies will contribute an additional \$1.2 million toward completion of the feasibility study.

The announcement of the Ohio Valley project grant was made at the same time that the Greene County Coal Owners Assoc. received word it had received a DOE grant for \$855,000 for a feasibility study on the removal of methane gas from coal seams underlying property owned by the Emerald Coal field in Greene County.

CNG has already optioned more than 800 acres near Point Pleasant for construction of the proposed synfuels plant.

Since 1968, CNG has acquired more than 600 million tons of recoverable Mapletown and Pittsburgh coal in Greene County and Marshall County, W.Va.

According to Jack Powers of the CNG public relations office, most of the coal in the 600 million ton reserve is located

in Greene County, primarily in Aleppo, Springhill and Freeport Townships. The remainder of the coal is located in neighboring Marshall County.

The reserves, according to CNG, have been proven, mapped, and thoroughly analyzed and were secured for the purpose of supporting a synfuels plant.

Coal reserves in Greene County which were recently purchased by SOHIO, including the U.S. Steel-developed Kirby Mine and its reserves and a block of coal formerly owned by Pennsylvania Power and Light, are not involved in the synfuels project.

CNG claims there are economic benefits in having the local coal reserves close to the site of the proposed synfuels plant.

Powers said CNG has already re-

tained two firms to begin the important environmental impact study on the project. The study is required by both federal and state agencies. The feasibility study will include possible locations of mines to remove the coal from the huge reserves in both states and how the coal will be delivered to the synfuels plant. Options for delivering the coal include, rail, rail and barge, and overland conveyor belts.

The availability of water needed for the gasification process and the availability of highly skilled labor in this area were given prime consideration in the proposed location of the synfuels plant and the reserves which are to be used in supplying the coal for the plant.

If the study shows that the project is commercially and financially viable, as

well as environmentally sound, construction could start as early as 1984, according to a prepared news release from CNG.

Threshold production of eight billion cubic feet of high BTU natural gas and three million barrels of methanol could be reached by 1986. Ultimately, phased expansion could result in two duplicated facilities with a combined annual output by the mid 1990's of over 130 billion cubic feet of gas and 12 million barrels of methanol. This would supplement almost 30 million barrels of imported oil a year.

The project would ultimately create 1,500 permanent operating jobs and 3,500 permanent mining jobs. In addition, due to the phased production of synthetic fuel, the project will create

3,000 construction jobs over a 10-year period if it receives the final go ahead.

Ohio Valley Synthetic Fuels will be staffed by personnel from CNG and SOHIO.

The Foster Wheeler Energy Corp. will provide engineering services for the study. Environmental assessments will be performed by the NUS and Radian Corp.

CNG operates one of the country's largest natural gas systems and provides all or part of the gas supplies for about three million consumers in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, and New York, or about six percent of all gas customers nationwide. The company produces gas in the Gulf of Mexico and Appalachian regions and in Canada and purchases gas from domestic producers and transmission companies.

Students Missing? It Could Be Flu

Three of the five high schools in Greene County have reported a high rate of absenteeism during the past few days with most of it being attributed to the flu.

Over 30 percent of the 1,100 students at Waynesburg Central were absent Monday, but some of the blame was placed on the fact it was the first day of deer season. Apparently there was some validity to the statement because only 267 students were absent Tuesday.

A secretary at the school termed it "outrageous" and said the district had run out of substitute teachers. Even the principal John Barbero fell victim to the sickness.

Hunting season apparently can't be blamed for the empty chairs in the Carmichaels Area School District because school officials have been calling the parents of absent students. "We were suspicious of some of the boys being absent, so we called their homes," principal Stan Ferek III said Tuesday. "The students were indeed sick," he said.

Ferek said 70 students were absent Tuesday and about the same number on Monday and last Friday. "Even the sports teams have been affected by the flu," he added.

Jefferson-Morgan has also been hard

hit. Principal Joe Davis reported 112 students absent on Tuesday. "It was even worse last week," Davis said.

West Greene, apparently looking ahead to the deer season, dismissed school on Monday to allow students to "legally" miss school. Few absentees were reported Tuesday and Principal Paul Polink said other districts in the county should consider declaring the first day of deer season as a legal holiday because the hunters are going to miss school anyway.

Mapletown reported absenteeism was about normal the past few days and reported few cases of flu in the high school.

School officials at Carmichaels Area, Waynesburg Central and Jefferson-Morgan all reported they were sending an average of 12 students home each day because of sickness. The most common symptom was a high fever.

Mrs. Bertha Danforth, emergency room supervisor at Greene County Memorial Hospital, said Tuesday that "several" persons have been treated in the emergency room the past few days for flu-like illness.

Beverly Knisley, a member of the staff at the State Health Center in Waynesburg, reported they have had no communications from the state about a flu epidemic but have heard by word of mouth that the flu is spreading in Greene County.

PennDOT Merges Highway Operations

UNIONTOWN — The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), in an attempt to cutback spending across the state by \$100 million, has announced that the highway maintenance operations in Fayette and Greene Counties will be merged into one large maintenance sub-district.

The announcement came Thursday as a result of Gov. Dick Thornburgh's call for cuts in the department's spending.

According to Chuck Thompson, community relations coordinator for PennDOT's District 12, which includes Greene, Fayette, Washington and Westmoreland Counties, the merger of the two counties into the large maintenance sub-district will make it one of the largest, if not the largest, maintenance areas in the entire state.

The two-county operation will be headed by Ronald Langley, a PennDOT engineer, whose father Darlton is currently the maintenance manager for Fayette County. The elder Langley will resign in the near future.

Thompson said Friday that

Loren Dukate, currently the maintenance manager for operations in Greene County, will now serve as "lead assistant" for the two-county area. Dukate, according to Thompson, will have additional duties to those of the assistant county managers. Some of his new duties may require inter-county responsibilities.

The other two counties in District 12 will continue to operate as individual maintenance areas.

Thompson said that across state there were five such mergers of maintenance districts.

There will be no major layoffs because the merger, according to PennDOT spokesman, there will be loss of the one manager's job, one clerical worker and one production control worker. "There will be only administrative staffing changes. There will be no change in the people who are actually out on the roads," he said.

Under state law, there can be no cutback in funds to any county, Thompson explained, so the same amount of maintenance work should be done on county roads during 1981 as

was done during the current calendar year.

Thompson did say, however, that any construction project on the county's long-range plan which reaches or exceeds \$1 million, will be jeopardized by the cutback in PennDOT spending.

He said that across the state the merger of the sub-districts will save PennDOT approximately \$85 million, while the reduction in salaries will save an additional \$15 million.

Community Food Club Plans Sale

WAYNESBURG — The Community Foods Buying Club will open in its new location Dec. 19 from 3 to 6 p.m. to sell surplus food from the Dec. 12 sale.

The CFBC, a food cooperative in Waynesburg, is now operating in a garage in the alley behind the Hickety-Pickety shop on east High Street. The sale is open to the public, and new members are encouraged to join.

Vo-Tech Classroom Ordered Closed

By STAN DIAMOND
Staff Writer

WAYNESBURG — The Joint Operating Committee of the Greene County Vocational-Technical School ordered a small classroom closed until a separation above a partition forming one wall of the classroom can be checked by a structural engineer.

And, in an annual reorganization of the committee prior to their regular meeting Monday night, Edward

Tekavec, representing the Carmichaels Area School District, was elected president replacing Adam Novak, representing the Southeastern Greene District. Thomas Braddock, representing the West Greene School District, was elected vice president. Robert Teagarden, representing Central Greene, was elected treasurer until May to fill Tekavec's unexpired term.

The regular meeting day will remain the second Thurs-

day of each month at 7 p.m. in the school's board room. The committee also retained as its solicitors the firm of McCall, Krill, Stets and Murphy of Waynesburg.

The other member of the five member operating committee is Louie Baniecki, representing the Jefferson-Morgan School District.

Norman Waldman, school director, reported to the committee the small classroom located between the auto body

and auto mechanics shops had not been in use since the school's maintenance superintendent noticed the separation above the partition earlier in the week. Waldman said he had contacted the school's architect who said he could have a structural engineer inspect the area and make a report at a cost not to exceed \$300. The committee passed a motion to retain the engineer and to keep the room locked to prevent anyone from even walking through it.

The partition is a non-load bearing wall which does not support any roof weight but there is a concrete block type ceiling in the room.

The firm of Milinovich and Company Inc. of Waynesburg was hired as the school's 1981 auditors on their proposal of \$2,000 for the basic school audit.

Baily Insurance of Waynesburg was hired to provide workman's compensation insurance for the school on their bid of \$1,862.

Barnes Demands A Full Hearing

WAYNESBURG — Former Greene County Treasurer T. William Barnes has denied that he owes the county \$3,355 for hunter firearm permit fees he collected while in office, and has demanded a full hearing before the court regarding

the allegations.

His answer, filed Friday in Greene County Court, responds to a supplement to the 1979 county audit filed last month by County Auditors Viola G. Donovan, Genevieve M. Morrow and Betty June Long. In it they ruled that Barnes owes the county the \$3,355 for permit fees which he collected from 1970 until he left office in December 1979.

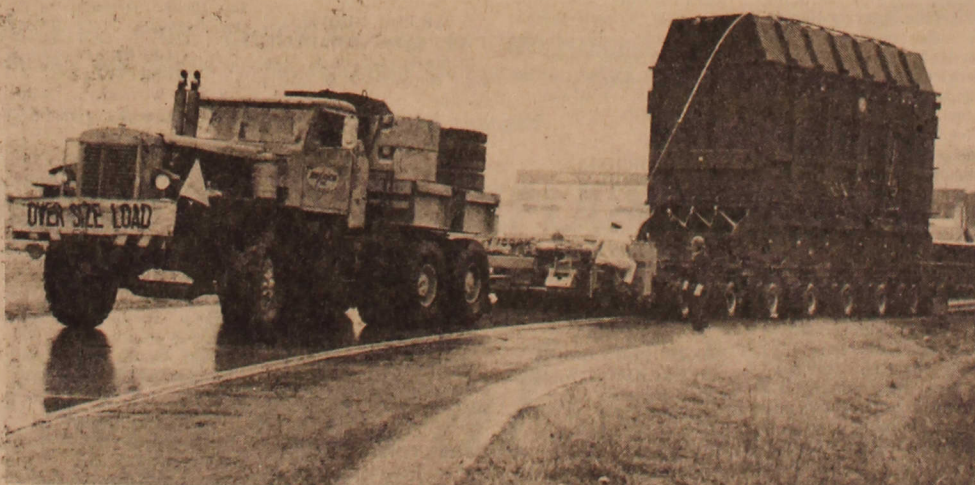
The auditor's ruling was based on a hearing the auditors held on Oct. 30 to give Barnes an opportunity to explain why revenues from the fees were not turned over to the county, with the exception of \$665.50 which was remanded when his term expired in 1979.

At that hearing, Barnes said that he had retained the money for use in making change at the counter, and that some \$2,500 of it had been stolen when the treasurer's office was burglarized in 1977.

In dismissing Barnes' explanation, the auditors ruled that the money should have been turned over to the county at least once a year, and if that had been done there would have been no loss through the burglary.

In his appeal filed Friday, Barnes again states that he should have been given credit for "at least \$2,500" which was stolen. He also claims:

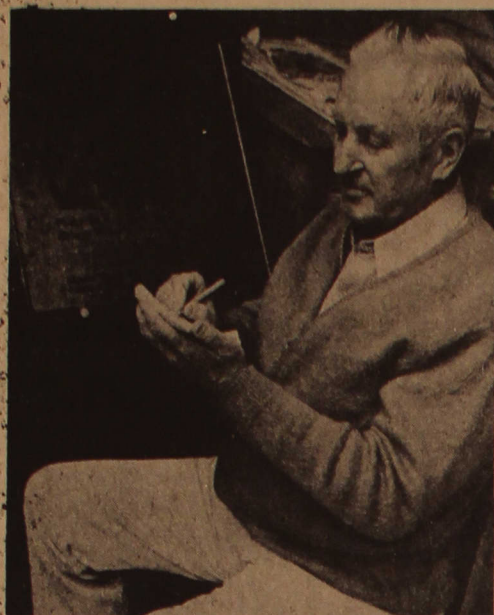
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Giant Transformer Moved

A 500,000-volt generator transformer makes its way to West Penn Power's Hatfield Ferry Power Station, near Masontown, aboard a special 144-wheel carrier. The transformer — 12 feet wide, 30 feet long and 18 feet high — is ready for service again after undergoing extensive rebuilding by the manufacturer. The 15-mile trip from the special railroad siding in Waynesburg to the substation took two days. When on the site and assembled, the transformer will contain 30,000 gallons of oil and weigh over one million pounds.

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Observer-Reporter Photo

Rush returned to Waynesburg to find an answer.

Rush Returns To Fit Pieces Together

By JOHN O'HARA
Staff Writer
WAYNESBURG — For a man who braved instant death more times than he can remember when teaching rookie pilots in Africa, flying the Hump in India during World War II and then going to an even more hazardous assignment of crop dusting in California, there has been little room for sentiment in the life of Carl Rush.

But a memory from his youth came back to him at a time when he could do little else but think, and he eventually had to return to his hometown to fit together the pieces of an experience which played an important part in his life.

A native of Waynesburg who wanted to fly an airplane or drive a harness horse more than most kids wanted to play ball, Rush even paid for his own private instruction to be sure he would qualify as a pilot during World War II. His Air Force service was behind him when he crashed while spraying dust on a California farm and was badly burned by the flames from the plane's gasoline and material he was spreading on the farm.

Wool Price

WAYNESBURG — A price support of \$1.35 per pound for wool for the 1981 marketing year has been set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, representing a 12 cent increase over 1980 support prices.

Earl Cole, chairman of the Greene County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee, said the support price is 72.2 percent of parity. Pulled wool will continue to be supported at a level comparable to the support price for shorn wool through payments on unshorn lambs.



OPEN WEDDING — Stacy Lee Summersgill, daughter of John G. and Sally H. Summersgill of Waynesburg, has announced her upcoming marriage to Douglas Clyde Lemley, son of Clyde and Betty Lemley, also of Waynesburg. An open church wedding is planned for Dec. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in the Bethlehem Baptist Church at Ruff Creek. A reception will follow at the Greene County Fairgrounds.

Doctors said his strong will to live was a big factor in his ultimate recovery following which he bought the crop dusting business he had worked for and hired other pilots to do the flying.

It also gave him time to get interested in harness racing again and as the years went by he revived the memories of his youthful days when he accompanied the late "Bolt" Reynolds, a rural mail carrier by vocation and a harness driver at the county fairs in Greene and Washington Counties by avocation.

These, Rush now recalls, were the happiest days of his life as little by little he picked up the special skills and knowledge which is required to help a horse to give his best performance.

Gradually his thoughts also turned back to a certain day at the Waynesburg fair when his former teacher, Bolt Reynolds, had driven fine harness horses.

During the weeks he was wracked with the pains of multiple degree burns and broken bone, Rush's thoughts swung from memory to reality with the recollections of his happy days riding with the old mail carrier and watching the harness races during fair week being a form of escape from his physical pain and expectation of complete recovery his link with reality.

However, in his musing he wasn't sure of the name of the horse which was brought back from the old rural delivery route. So, after his recovery, and mostly out of sheer sentiment, he returned to Waynesburg for a few days late in October to find the horse's name.

Only a few of his old friends were still around but one of them, John Ullom, a retired PennDOT employee recalled the incident of the old mail route horse winning a race at the fair.

Rush's next stop was at the office of the Observer-Reporter's sister newspaper, The Waynesburg Republican, where a microfilm file gave an account of the fair dates in August, 1921.

Next stop was at the Greene County Historical Society's Museum for a more detailed account written by the late Floyd Miller confirmed Rush's stray thoughts with a detailed account of how "Bernor," a 12-year-old mare had been driven on the mail route for several years by the late Ralph Summersgill of Sycamore.

Bolt Reynolds purchased the horse from Summersgill and started training it for racing, using extreme patience in legging it up for the faster gait it would have to run when racing instead of going over the country roads in the shafts of the old time mail car.

Gradually it all came back to Rush in complete detail as the exciting experience of seeing the old mail route horse beat the best of the professionally trained entries on that sunny afternoon in August, 1921.



Our Christmas Angel

Sunday
I Peter
5:7-11
Monday
Hebrews
10:9-25
Tuesday
II Timothy
3:1-5
Wednesday
II Timothy
1:1-8
Thursday
Romans
12:10-21
Friday
Romans
13:8-14
Saturday
John
21:1-17

Yes. We have a Christmas Angel living at our house. And most of the excitement of this joyous season revolves around her.

Of course, she is not an angel most of the time. She is a very special little girl — very special because we love her.

At church this Christmas she'll be one of the "angels" singing to the shepherds the joyous news of Jesus' birth.

We are glad the church has become an important part of her life. That's where she has learned that she is very special to God.

So are we all!

The joy of Christmas at our house . . . and in God's House . . . begins with the realization that Jesus was born because God so loved the world.



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

Waynesburg College Students Recognized As Campus Leaders

WAYNESBURG — Twenty-one students from Waynesburg College have been selected as being among the country's most outstanding

campus leaders, and will be included in the 1981 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Students were selected by campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory on the basis of academic achievement, ser-

vice to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and future potential.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory since it was first published in 1934.

Students named this year from Waynesburg College are:

Paul Ankrom, a senior accounting major and son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ankrom of Washington.

Mary Ellen Bolish, a junior political science/history major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bolish of Uniontown.

Charles Bondarenka, a senior business management major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Braunnegg of Charleroi.

Joan L. Capello, a senior sociology/history major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Capello of Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mark E. Cipriani, a senior accounting major and son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Cipriani of Monessen.

Martin B. Fritch, a senior chemistry and son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fritch of Burgettstown.

Leslie A. Godisart, a senior accounting major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Godisart of Charleroi.

Patricia S. Harvey, a junior English/political science major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harvey of Fred-

ericktown.

Margaret E. Holmes, a senior psychology major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson Holmes of Philadelphia.

Theresa J. Lacava, a senior chemistry major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lacava of Waynesburg.

L. Duane Marker, a senior accounting major and son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Collins of Hopwood.

Kirk W. Maruca, a senior small business management major and son of Mr. and Mrs.

Leonard J. Maruca of Uniontown.

Annette M. Massini, a senior accounting major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Massini of Brownsville.

Kimberley S. Pattison, a senior psychology/business administration major and daughter of Connie Fluharty of West Alexander.

Joanne B. Ryan, a senior accounting major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Ryan of Oak Ridge, N.J.

Deborah Roberts, a junior geology major and daughter

of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Roberts of Burgettstown.

Linda C. Smith, a senior accounting major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith of Herminie.

Lynn F. Sofaly, a senior biology major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sofaly of Irwin.

Lauren L. Stewart, a senior accounting major and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Stewart of McMurray.

Maureen J. Vail, a senior finance major and daughter of Flo Ann Vail of Uniontown.

One Acquittal, Two Indecisions In Trial

WAYNESBURG — One defendant was acquitted but the jury was unable to reach agreement on the guilt or innocence of two others in a Greene County burglary case Wednesday.

It marked the fourth time during the past few months

that criminal court trials have resulted in "hung juries."

Defendants in the case were Ronald Lee Chambers, 23, Carmichaels; Charles R. Harbarger Jr., 26, Carmichaels, and Robert Alan Joy, 21, Millsboro.

The jury returned a not guilty

verdict as to Chambers, but when they could not reach agreement on the other two after 10 hours of deliberation, they were dismissed by the court at 11:45 p.m.

The defendants were charged with breaking into the home of Richard L. Ermlick of Rices Landing R.D.1 on July 6, 1980. Articles valued at \$3,560, including jewelry and gold coins, were taken.

No defense testimony was offered in the case, with defense attorneys contending that the Commonwealth had failed to prove their clients were guilty.

West Virginia Escapee Convicted Of Murder

KEYSER, W.VA. — A West Virginia man, once the object of a massive manhunt in Waynesburg, has been convicted of murder for the second time—this time for the shooting death of a West Virginia state trooper following a mass escape at the West Virginia Penitentiary in Moundsville on November 7, 1979.

David Morgan, 25, was convicted by a jury in Mineral County, W.Va. last Friday of the shooting death of Trooper Philip Kesner. The jury recommended mercy and as a result, Morgan is likely to receive a life term but would be eligible for parole after 10 years.

At the time of the escape, Morgan was serving a life sentence for the beating death of a Harrison County, W.Va., school superintendent. Morgan still faces charges on two counts of robbery and two counts of kidnapping in the escape.

Tpr. Kesner and his wife were driving by the prison at the time of the escape and their car was commandeered by a group of prisoners. During an exchange of gunfire,

Kesner and an escapee were fatally wounded.

Kesner's car was later found abandoned in Waynesburg. Local police searched the area for days, especially the Toll Gate Run section of Franklin Township where the convicts were spotted.

Three local persons were later charged with harboring two of the fugitives believed to be Morgan and Harold Gowen. Both men escaped the area but were later captured.

Only one of the 15 escapees remains at large. Ronald Williams, also a convicted murderer and the mastermind behind the escape, has eluded police for 13 months.

A defense witness in Morgan's trial, which was held in Mineral County on a change of venue from Marshall County, testified for the defense and said Morgan was a heavy drug user and the drugs could have altered his ability to act responsibly.

Records revealed Morgan had access to prescription drugs and Morgan told the doctor called by the defense that he had used various illegal drugs available in the prison.

Board Permits Bid Acceptance

ROGERSVILLE — The West Greene School Board at its regular December meeting Wednesday, gave superintendent Elliott LeFaiver permission to accept bids for the construction of the new middle school addition to the high school building and renovations to the existing building.

Estimated cost of the revised building project is \$2.9 million.

The plans, prepared by the architect firm of Foreman, Dorsh, Bashford and Wallace, have received the approval of state Department of Education.

The motion to allow LeFaiver to advertise for bids passed by a 7-2 margin, with board members Rick Barnhart and Roger Stalnaker voting against the project.

Similar plans for the project were rejected earlier this year after the board had opened bids.

The revised plans are smaller in size and cost.

The board also approved a number of revisions, connected with the building plan, in the district's PLANCON, long-range plan.

The board received a lengthy report on the district's Educational Quality Assessment testing program from Glenn Miller, William Throckmorton and Paul Polink.

In other action the board:

✓ Granted permission for Ron Lohr to conduct an eight week basketball program for elementary school aged children at the Graysville Elementary School.

✓ Glen Limbruner was hired as an art teacher at step three of the professional contract. Limbruner has a master's degree from Edinboro College and taught for two years in the public school of Florida.

✓ Brian Jackson was hired as an assistant wrestling coach for the 1980-81 season.

Court Crier Appointed

WAYNESBURG — Judge Glenn Toothman has appointed John V. Moore of Waynesburg to the post of Greene County court crier to fill the vacancy created Sept. 5 by the death of Richard Hatfield.

Moore, a retired commercial photographer, began his duties Tuesday.

Hatfield, a longtime resident of Waynesburg, had served as court crier for 16 years prior to his death. In the interim Prothonotary Charles Hogue has been serving as court crier in addition to carrying out his other job.

Barnes Demands A Full Hearing

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✓ That the assessments made against him are beyond the statute of limitations.

✓ That his accounts were audited each year for 12 years by both the county auditors and state auditors, and that no mention of the gun permit fees had ever been made in audits prior to 1979

✓ That the fact that auditor reports from 1970 through 1979 were duly filed and not appealed are conclusive and cannot be questioned.

✓ That "crucial witnesses" were not called at the Oct. 30 auditors' hearing.

✓ That the amount claimed for 1977 are erroneous and without proof, since records of permits for that year were destroyed by Treasurer Joseph Souders when he took office.

✓ That the accuracy of the count of various records by the auditors is "suspect and erroneous."

✓ That the auditors are blaming Barnes for their own failures, shortcomings and neglect of duty.

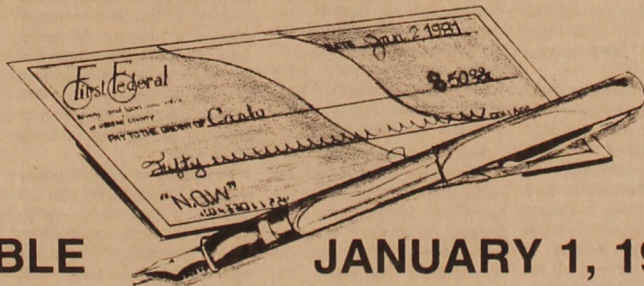
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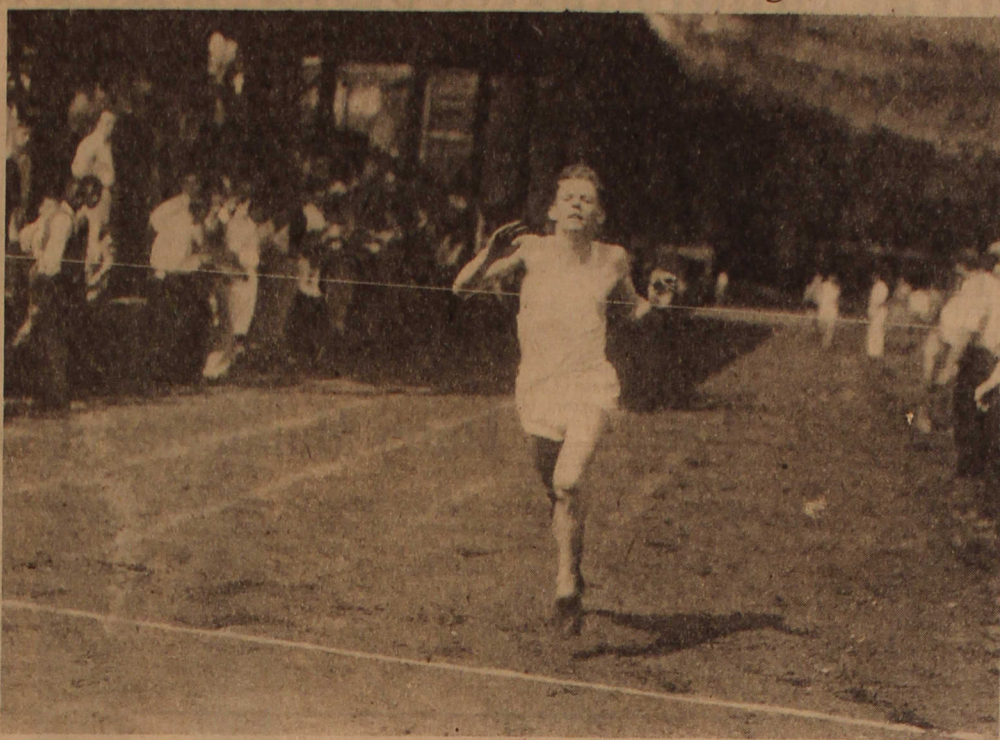
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Faces From The Past—Do You Recognize Them



Away back in 1934, persistence finally paid off for George Willis, the half-mile runner on the Waynesburg College track team in their dual meets with Washington and Jefferson College at the latter's College Field. As a freshman he finished fourth; was third as a sophomore and third as a junior. He is pictured above in his senior year (1934) finishing first in an inspiring demonstration of courage and determination. Willis became a teacher at his home town of Carmichaels and combined his teaching and running his farm on the outskirts of Carmichaels. The picture above was taken by the late Dr. Paul R. Stewart, who was the only man around town (Waynesburg) who owned a high speed type news camera (Speed Graphic) which did double duty in making close-up pictures of wild flowers for the botany classes he taught and also recording campus sports highlights as the one shown above.

Police Shouldn't Be Both Judge And Jury

Waynesburg Borough's police department created a stir throughout Greene County last week with publication of an open letter to the community in which they vented their frustrations about the outcome of a number of criminal cases in which they have been involved.

The letter expressed annoyance with what police apparently feel are shortcomings in the legal system as it involves the handling of criminal cases. It also made an appeal for community awareness of the problem that crime presents, and for community backing of police agencies.

Not surprisingly, the result was demonstrations of support expressed in various ways, including letters to the editor, statements placed on billboards by local businesses, and presentation of a certificate of appreciation to the police department by a local veterans' organization.

People within the court system who were willing to comment were generally understanding about the frustrations which motivated the statement, but at the same time said they felt it contained unwarranted inferences about the legal system at the local level, including the court, magistrates and juries.

All made the point — including one person who had served as a juror — that the judicial process must be objective, and that defendants are legally innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

On top of this, rulings by the Supreme Court have set up a system of safeguards for the rights of criminal suspects which arresting officers ignore at their peril.

Police may well be correct in arguing that the pendulum has swung too far in favor of criminals and that the system ignores the rights of their victims, but the reality is that they must do their job within the legal framework which has evolved.

Police understandably want a conviction and a tough sentence in every case they bring, and there doubtless are instances in which justice is not served as well as it might be. But it's a far better system than one in which police would also serve as the judge and the jury.

AROUND TOWN

By THE STAFF

Christmas and New Year greetings to all Republican readers from coast to coast from the staff and publishers of the Waynesburg Republican in this holiday season of 1980.

Prospects at this time, Dec. 17, are good for a white Christmas. It was mild during the past weekend but the weather is gradually getting a bit sharper day by day.

Another familiar figure around the town for many years, Mrs. Lucy McCurdy, was buried Monday following a long illness. She was the widow of Robert (Bob) McCurdy who was a partner with the late William Beckwith in their barber shop on South Morris Street for many years. She was also a cousin of Carl Banks of Washington, who was on the original staff of the Fort Jackson Hotel when it was opened in 1927.

Mark Booth, former Waynesburg College and Charleroi High School football coach, and one of his former players, Jim Dumm of Charleroi, will attend the Peach Bowl football game in Atlanta, Ga., during the Christmas-New Year's holidays.

Since the recent death of Charles Bosworth of Waynesburg, Bill Church, who now lives in Arizona, and Tony Guireri of near Uniontown, are the only two known barbers who worked at the former Downey House barber shops. Church, incidentally, was also one of the first from Waynesburg who was employed as a driver on the Blue Ridge Bus Line.

Many years ago just the mere sight of a deer on the most remote farm anywhere in Greene County was a sensation. Now they're so common that opening day of the season this year, a deer was seen browsing in the Bandstand Park in North Waynesburg and darted out in front of at-

torney Floyd King's car as he was driving down Richhill Street enroute to his office town.

Mr. and Mrs. George K. Stennett and their two sons will keep another year of perfect attendance at all Penn State football games (home and away) when they shove off in the family travel van for the Fiesta Bowl. Penn State plays Ohio State in the Dec. 26 game in Colorado.

Despite the increase in postage rates most Greene Countyans are mailing about as many greetings as usual, according to postmasters throughout the county.

John Moore, who retired from the photography profession a year ago, has been appointed court crier in the Greene County court. He succeeds the late Richard Hatfield who had held the position for the past several years.

Another of the former residents of South Morgan Street neighborhood has passed on. She is Mrs. Martha Clark Avery, 68, of Youngstown, Ohio, who died in that city Dec. 17. She was the widow of her college sweetheart, Paul Avery, a native of Youngstown, and is survived by two sons, Clarke of Youngstown and John of Glen Burnie, Md., four grandchildren and a cousin, Mrs. Margaret Perrin of Waynesburg. Funeral services were held in Youngstown.

Divorce Granted

Peter G. Drizos of New Providence, N.J., was granted a divorce from Beverly Ann Welsh Drizos of Pittsburgh in a final decree handed down Tuesday by the Greene County Court.

They were married Sept. 26, 1970, and have two children. The plaintiff charged indignities.



Fact and Folklore

John O'Hara

Residents of Waynesburg are currently getting ready to enjoy another Christmas with all of its traditional happiness and joys of the good cheer appropriate to the season.

But it was a different story 55 years ago when on Dec. 23, 1925 the very heart of the town's business section was destroyed by a devastating fire that burned four buildings with loss of a quarter million dollars.

The loss was insignificant, however, compared to the deaths of five young men of the communities and injuries suffered by some others when they were caught under tons of bricks and concrete, all because of the fact that no volunteer fire company had ever been organized to teach people the proper way to fight fires.

Efforts by a few far-sighted men in the community to organize such a volunteer group (the town couldn't finance a paid organization then or now) all fell on deaf ears with the excuse that "we never had any real bad fires around here."

Besides that, some of those who did turn out more or less regularly enjoyed the disorganized manner of fight fires in which every man was own chief and the call to "turn her on," referring to water hydrants, came from those who could yell the loudest.

It was a cry echoed all too often by a counter order to "turn her off" as every man tried to give directions. It was mostly by sheer luck that a catastrophe did not occur earlier in Waynesburg's history.

Fate's patience apparently had become exhausted by 1925, however, when on the bitter cold morning of Dec. 23 a fire broke out in a small restaurant on the first floor of the three-story Downey House building that extended 180 feet south on Washington Street to Cherry Alley. It was flanked on the west by the four-story Grossman Building and the two-story Silveus building in that order.

The flames roared their greedy way rapidly through all three structures. Before daylight had dawned on the harrowing scene five young men — all still in their twenties — had been trapped under tons of brick and concrete that collapsed onto the top of the Silveus structure in what amounted to a death trap that would never have happened with a properly-trained organization.

Names of the victims whose deaths led to almost immediate organization of the present fine Waynesburg Volunteer Fire Company were Hovey Call, William Finch, Victor Silveus, Joseph Rifenburg and Furman Long.

Two others were critically injured and hospitalized for many months. They were the late Clovis Wright, who later became a lifetime member and former chief of the Waynesburg company, and Luther Renner, who spent 39 agonizing weeks in Homeopathic Hospital at Pittsburgh recovering from multiple fractures and muscular injuries.

Two others less seriously injured, who were trapped in the rubble that cascaded down from the crumbling walls, were Harry Wilbert, who still lives in Waynesburg, and Odell Cooper, who has made his home at Salt Lake City, Utah, since the end of World War II.

If the community of Waynesburg was negligent in providing the type of fire protection it needed up to the time of that tragic fire, the negligence was corrected once the lives were lost and are continuing to this very day 55 years later.

Several generations of young men have been willing to spend hour upon hour of their own leisure time to learn the exacting skills in fighting and preventing fires and are still doing so. Their efforts have not been in vain.

Willingly they continue to crawl out of a warm bed on a cold winter night to help save a life or a home; to find a lost child, or to rescue a person or animal in danger of being drowned. They also attend fire schools and demonstrations in first aid and safety while others are watching television or enjoying themselves in some other way.

Passersby at the firehouse on East Greene Street can see firemen refurbishing equipment or the firehouse itself on many Saturday mornings while others are asleep, or on Sunday afternoons in a modern day exemplification of the lines once penned by the early American poet Ralph Waldo Emerson:

"When duty whispers low,

Thou Must,
And youth replies, I Can."

Councilman Appointed

CLARKSVILLE — Albert Kingan Jr., a borough councilman from 1970 to 1978, will again serve this community following his appointment Monday night to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Lisa Manfredi on Clarksville Borough Council.

Council also reported another member will be resigning in the near future because he is moving from the community. In addition, council member Betty Riecks was absent Monday for the third meeting in a row.

In the past election, no citizen ran for the office.

In other action, council adopted an 11-mill budget, the same as the 1980 budget. The budget calls for receipts of \$14,344 and expenditures of \$12,800.

Other taxes include a half-percent earned income tax; a \$10 occupational tax and a one-percent realty transfer tax.

Vehicle Stolen

Waynesburg Borough Police are investigating the theft of a 1976 Datsun owned by Patrick A. Fordyce of 548 Race Street, The Datsun, valued at \$1,200 was taken sometime between 10 p.m. Wednesday and 8:10 a.m. Thursday.

Project For Regional Emergency Communication Fizzles Out

WAYNESBURG — An eight-county project which was aimed at improving emergency medical communications on both a county and regional basis has been dropped.

The Emergency Medical Service Institute (EMSI) in Pittsburgh has informed the Greene County commissioners that it has withdrawn its application for a grant of \$2.6 million from the Appalachian Regional Commission to finance the three-year project. The grant was to represent 80 percent of the cost, with the eight participating counties being responsible for the other 20 percent.

Greene County, in March of this year, agreed to take part in the project. It would have involved the installation of microwave equipment to expand and improve existing communication facilities, adapting them for 911 emergency telephone systems, emergency medical services, dispatch, and medical communications.

Frederick V. Peterson Jr., executive director of EMSI, said that three developments have occurred which make

it inadvisable to pursue the grant request.

Greene County and four other counties agreed to make a financial commitment to the project, but the city of Pittsburgh and three other counties deferred action and have never agreed to participate.

"Almost daily the news media documents lay-offs and program cutbacks by local and county governments. Given this environment it is difficult for us to be optimistic about obtaining required contributions," Peterson wrote.

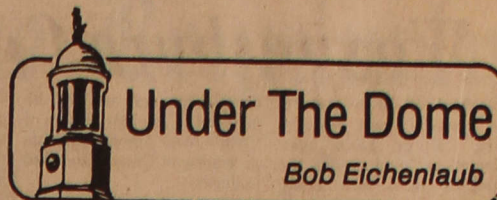
He also pointed out that one of the biggest selling points was cost savings which counties could expect by substituting intra-county microwave links for the long-distance land lines necessary for a countywide 911 emergency telephone system.

This advantage would be wiped out by House Bill 2176, which has been submitted to Gov. Dick Thornburgh for his approval. This bill, if signed, will enable state government to underwrite development and operation costs of county-wide 911 systems.

The third factor is a joint project of the Hospital Council of Western Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Education Communications System to develop a statewide microwave system with access to every hospital in southwestern Pennsylvania. "There is a strong sense that this developing system is compatible with our EMS needs," he wrote.

Had the EMSI project been carried through, Greene County would have received \$77,657 in equipment, with the county being obligated to pay \$15,532 of this amount.

A new radio control console would have been installed to replace and upgrade existing equipment at the Waynesburg fire hall to provide for countywide radio control for all fire and emergency medical services communications; an additional base station to relay medical instructions from physicians to paramedics in the field, and installation of hardware to implement the 911 emergency telephone system.



Under The Dome

Bob Eichenlaub

In terms of property taxes, Greene County's proposed 1981 budget is less painful than it might have been.

With budget expenditures pegged at \$7.5 million, the real estate levy has been reduced from 18½ mills to 13 mills, reflecting the increased tax base which was produced by changing the assessment ratio from 20 percent to 30 percent of market value. Even with the reduced millage, the tax will bring in about \$120,000 more than the \$1.8 million it brought in during 1980.

The bulk of the revenues will come from state and federal payments, many of them to fund programs which the county sponsors but in which it has no financial stake.

At any rate, it will be the rare property owner who will see an increase of more than five dollars in his county tax bill next year, and in these inflationary times that's pretty good.

Because of the limitation placed on increased tax revenue because of the assessment change (by law, 1981 property tax revenues cannot exceed 1980 revenues by more than five percent) the budget will be especially tight and a few jobs may have to be eliminated, particularly through not replacing people who are retiring. But the commissioners were still able to grant the county's 250 employees an eight percent pay in-

crease and stay within budget limitations — something which had been in doubt while the budget was in the preparation stage.

There is nothing unusual in the budget in terms of funding for any new programs or construction. There are some capital expenditures needed, primarily for equipment at the Curry Memorial Home, but they will be paid for out of the federal revenue sharing budget rather than out of the general fund.

The \$371,000 the county will have available in the federal monies is perhaps the key factor in keeping the general fund budget down, since the county can use it as a source for the \$220,000 it will need to make a payment on the indebtedness incurred last year to build the new county jail.

In fact, county demands on the fund are so great this year that there was just \$63,000 available to help the many non-county agencies which made requests for financial assistance — not nearly enough to meet the \$340,000 the requests totalled.

The best news for the county commissioners came last week when Congress renewed the revenue sharing program. Without it Greene County and all of its municipalities, which also receive the federal allocations, would really be in a financial bind.

Letterbox

Questions PSEA Proposal

Efforts by the Pennsylvania State Education Association to increase the state aid ratio from the present average of 43 percent to 50 percent can only make people wonder. How can any organization, which is supposedly comprised of our most highly educated, suggest increasing the state's share when it cannot, due to economic conditions in our private sector, meet the present 43 percent ratio?

Do they really believe that by raising the sales tax the state will have more money to pay the school districts? We have seen what happened in the past, and the increasing of our sales tax has not been the solution.

It is time that these government workers realize that they, too, have obligations and that they are not above what is happening in the private sector of our economy. They cannot continue the approach they have taken in the past, and that is the private sector of our economy be damned. They are going to get their share, and yes, in some cases more than their share.

In one of my recent letters, I said that in the future all of us would have to make sacrifices to correct what has happened to our economy. Since then many people in the private sector of our economy have made these sacrifices and are continuing to do so. But alas, those who are employed in the government sector still feel that they do not have to make these sacrifices and so far they haven't, at least not to the extent that the private sector has.

The government workers' philosophy has been and still is, if they need more money, raise taxes. The result has been to create a climate in which our private sector can no longer function.

The question now is, are we going to accept responsibilities that have been placed upon us by our previous action, or are we going to continue as we have in the past, each going our separate ways?

There is only one way to solve our problem; that is for workers in all segments of our economy, whether it's in the private sector, management or government, to strive for what is best for all of us, not just a privileged few. Any other course of action will only lead us further down the road to economic disaster.

If the PSEA members are truly interested in helping the local taxpayer, then all they have to do is reduce their wage and fringe benefit increases from ten percent, which they will receive each year for the next two years, to five percent. This alone could save local taxpayers six mills under our present tax structure.

Excessive taxation, which we now have, can no longer be tolerated. It is time that our elected office holders quit playing at being politicians and instead start to perform as statesmen. This way we will have laws that are best for all the people instead of certain self-serving special interest groups, such as the PSEA.

Kelce Mosley, President,
Concerned Citizens
For Responsive Government

Upset Over Toll Charges

Your constant reminder to the readers of the new toll-free lines is just one more stick on the fire that's burning concerning telephone rates and toll charges. Your decision to have a toll-free line is a good one, don't get me wrong.

But what burns me more than anything is that very few calls are not toll-free in one little area of Jefferson-Morgan. Calls to nearby Waynesburg, even, are toll charge over and above the monthly rate.

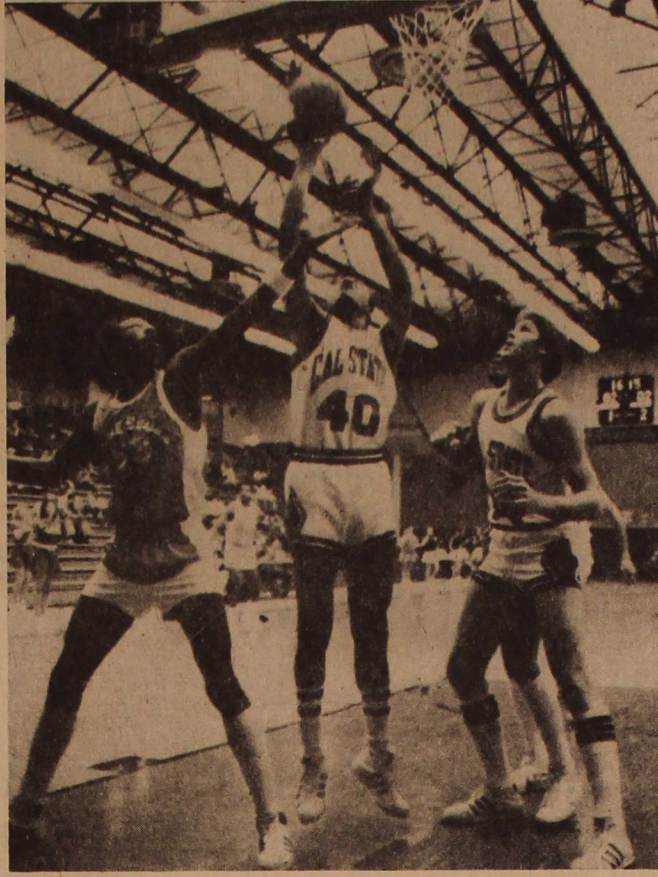
The same phone company runs the area around Jamestown, N.Y., and when I lived there a toll-free call could be made within a radius of 25 miles. This is something I never will understand. We would, by that same token, have been able to call Washington from here at no extra charge. Waynesburg, seven miles, and other small communities, also.

When are we going to get crusading newspapers or other media, or is advertising the all-powerful?

This is my humble (narrow minded) opinion. We had a bone tossed to us when Greene County Memorial Hospital installed a toll-free line. Thank God for small favors.

R. A. Komula,
Mather

54-39 Win Over Cal Troubles Jackets



Cal State's Bruce Gwin (34) goes up for a shot over Waynesburg's Paul Epps (left) and Mike Taylor (51)

Maxie Wiley (40) of Cal State shoots past a block by the Yellow Jackets' Tim Walker (53).

By TOM ROSE
Assistant Sports Editor
CALIFORNIA — Basketball purists could call it a defensive struggle. Cynics could call it a classic bore. An objective observer could call it confusing.

You can call Wednesday night's renewal of the California State-Waynesburg College basketball rivalry by all three descriptions. Waynesburg was a 54-39 winner, but it was a game that left a bad taste in Jacket head coach Rudy Marisa's mouth.

"I know your paper (the Observer-Reporter) is enthusiastic about this game, and it is a classic setup," Marisa said. "But I'm embarrassed as hell about this game. This was blah, blah, blah."

"If that's the real us, then we're in real trouble." The Yellow Jackets led at halftime by the unbelievable score of 16-13. Cal State actually committed more turnovers in the first half (18) than it managed in points, while Waynesburg nearly matched its first half scoring output with 15 mistakes.

"I didn't think it was a bad basketball game, but I was surprised at all of the turnovers," said Cal State's first year head coach Tim Loomis. "You might not expect Waynesburg to miss so many shots or have so many turnovers because they are a strong, veteran team. You might expect us to make turnovers because we are so young, but that's still no excuse for us either."

"If we make half of those easy baskets we missed in the first half or cut down on some of those turnovers, we could have been in the lead and really in a position to challenge them."

The Vulcans remained in contention in the extremely slow paced contest until nine minutes were left in the sec-

ond half, when CSC guard Tom High, after sinking three straight long distance jumpers, missed a 30-footer. Waynesburg, leading 30-26 at the time, then scored eight of the next 10 points in the game to all but clinch its fourth win in five games.

But it was a struggle for Waynesburg, and Cal State too.

"The fans don't like a defensive game," High said. "That's too bad and I must admit it's more fun to watch the teams go up and down the floor in a run-and-gun game. But we had to work our pattern and look for a good shot, we didn't want to get into a running battle with Waynesburg. Our game plan was to wait and take good shots, stay close and play tough defense."

The game didn't win many fans over to the sport, Marisa included, but it was a victory Waynesburg's Paul Epps (who scored 13 points) was glad to accept at CSC's Hamer Hall.

"It just seemed that we couldn't get a feel for the game," Epps said. "Cal State was very deliberate on offense and I think they lulled us to sleep a bit. But I think it was good strategy for them not to run with us. We have developed a reputation as a running team, that's our favorite style of play, and they figured they had to slow us down to beat us."

While the Vulcans did slow Waynesburg's fast break to a gentle stop, they had problems of their own offensively as well. Cal State managed to sink just 15 of 54 field goal attempts while Waynesburg was slightly better, making 17 of 51 tries.

And the Vulcans were hampered by foul trouble. Maurice Yeoman, after opening the game with a thunderous slam dunk for CSC's only lead of the game at 2-0, picked up two quick fouls in the first seven minutes of the game and was noticeably absent for the remainder of the half. His replacement, another freshman Randy Pierce, injured his ankle minutes later and was finished for the game.

Yeoman returned in the second half but was held to seven points by Waynesburg's choking zone defense.

High led the Vulcans, now 1-3, with 13 points while freshman Maxie Wiley added 10.

"When Yeoman got in foul trouble we just couldn't run with them," Loomis said. "Waynesburg's zone didn't confuse us but we just didn't open it up. Our guys didn't run through the lane looking hungry for the ball like the Waynesburg guys do. We just didn't move enough."

Mapletown Star Leads District Scoring Race

By FRED SIGLER
Sports Writer

Jeff Cettin of Mapletown High School continues to hold the lead in the Washington-Greene scholastic basketball individual scoring race.

However, the 5-8, 140-pound Mapletown guard, averaging 25 points per game, is being strongly challenged by four other district players who are scoring at a pace of more than 20 points per game.

The consistent Cettin stayed close to

his average with a 25-point effort in the Maples' only game last week, a 59-56 win over Fairchance-Georges in the opening round of Section 16-A competition. He now has 102 points in four games.

Mon Valley Catholic's Lance Spornak, who scored 45 points in two games last week, has the best average in Washington County, a 22.8 mark on 137 points in six contests.

Others scoring more than 20 points per game are Brian Rothermund, who has led McGuffey to the highest team

total in the district with a 20.5 average on 123 in six games; Peters Township's Paul Janda, the leader in total points with 163 for a 20.4 mark, and Barry Niemiec of Beth-Center, also at 20.4.

The top 10 also includes John Knisely, Burgettstown, 17.9; Bob Connor, Carmichaels, 17.8; Mark Dobrzynski, McGuffey, 17.8; Tim Kershaw, Ringgold, 17.7, and 17.5 by Bentworth's Jeff Conn.

McGuffey is averaging 75 points per game with 453 in six games, while Ring-

gold continues to hold the runnerup position with a 69-point mark and Canon-McMillan is in third place at 67.2.

Avella is the defensive leader, yielding 50.3 points per game to hold a slight lead over Mon Valley Catholic, which has allowed 50.8. Bentworth and California are also close to the leaders, giving up 52.0 and 52.8 respectively.

Avella, Mon Valley Catholic and Ringgold share the best team records at 5-1, while Mapletown is at 3-1. At the other

extreme, four district teams — Chartiers-Houston, Trinity, Jefferson-Morgan and West Greene — have yet to score a victory.

All scoring totals are based on box scores reported to the Observer-Reporter and those not received cannot be included in the lists. The race is based on scoring in all games instead of strictly sectional competition as was the policy in previous years.

WHS Deep-Sixes Raiders Scholastic Basketball

By FRED SIGLER
Sports Writer

It was a case of a young basketball team with some depth meeting a younger team whose enthusiasm and hustle is the biggest thing in its favor right now.

And, as was expected, depth won. But Washington High School had to work for its 74-55 victory over Waynesburg Central in Tuesday night's Section 9-A-AA game and the Little Presidents didn't have their second sectional victory in the bag until relatively late in the contest.

Waynesburg trailed by only 47-40 when Tim Winters, the Red Raiders' main threat on both offense and defense, drove in for a basket to open the fourth quarter but Wash High's Paul Wherry, John Wise and Clarence Gordon scored on fast breaks to build the lead back to 53-40. Winters came back with two baskets and a pair of free throws to cut it back to seven again at 53-46 with 4:22 left in the game.

Joe Henderson, Gordon and Mark Boness then came through with successive WHS baskets and the Little Presidents enjoyed a comfortable 59-46 margin with 3:00 remaining.

"I certainly thought we should have established a big lead long before we did," said Wash High head coach Bill Fleissner. "I'm happy to get another section win but I'm not particularly happy with the way we did it."

"Waynesburg has a young team but they work very hard and hustle all the

time. I'll give them a lot of credit for confusing us on defense. That number 43 (Winters) gave us a lot of trouble when we tried to go inside and he also did a good job on offense for them."

Waynesburg got off to a 2-0 lead on Rick Neubauer's shot from underneath but baskets by Gordon and Packy Hull gave Wash High the lead at 4-2. Chuck Wassick's free throw and a basket by Brian Sommers restored the edge to the Raiders at 5-4 but two free throws by Kevin Anderson and Hull's shot from deep in the corner put Wash High ahead 8-5.

The Little Presidents stayed ahead until Sommers tossed in a jumper from the foul line to tie the score at 11-11 as the first quarter ended.

Henderson, who finished as Wash High's top scorer with 18 points, put the winners ahead to stay at 13-11 with a 20-footer and added five more baskets in the second quarter to lead his team to a 31-23 halftime margin with Wassick scoring for Waynesburg at the buzzer.

The Little Presidents stretched their lead to 45-29 midway through the third quarter but the Raiders again came battling back and trailed by 47-38 going into the final eight minutes.

"I didn't think we played a real good game tonight but we're still a very young team and we did keep hustling," said Waynesburg head coach Rich Relich, a former Washington & Jefferson College basketball starter. "We got close several times but we just couldn't

get the key baskets we needed. We also had some trouble executing against Wash High's man to man pressure. We're in the middle of a rebuilding program and we're still a long way from being a good basketball team. I only have about eight players capable of varsity action and Wassick, the only returning letterman I have, started only 10 games last season."

Relich was, however, impressed by the inside play of Winters. "He's got some size and may grow more and he really does a good job inside. He just needs to develop a better shooting touch."

"I sure hope we start to play more consistently and don't have so many good spurts and then bad spurts like we did tonight," said Fleissner. "We have two big games coming up in the section (at Avella Friday night, and at home against McGuffey next Monday), and we want to win both to stay high in the race before the holiday break."

Henderson finished with 18 points on nine baskets to lead 10 Wash High players in the scoring column with Gordon and Hull adding 12 apiece as the Little Presidents improved their season record to 4-3.

Waynesburg—55
Sommers 4-9; Wassick 8-17; Neubauer 2-7; Winters 9-22; Conklin 0-0-0
Totals: 23-91-16—55
Washington—74
Sadler 4-8; Hull 5-12; Gordon 6-0-12; Anderson 2-5; Henderson 9-0-18; Boness 1-0-2; Wise 3-0-4; Dales 1-1-3; Wherry 1-0-2; Lee 1-0-2; Totals: 33-81-13—74
Score by Quarters
Waynesburg 11 12 15 17—55
Washington 11 20 16 27—74
Officials: Miller & Rumberger

Raiders, 70-58

WAYNESBURG — Waynesburg held leads of as much as 20 points in defeating Chartiers-Houston 70-58 in the Section 9-AA opener for both teams here Friday.

The Bucs, after falling behind by nine points in the first quarter, tied the game about midway through the second period, but Waynesburg moved out to the same nine-point lead by the intermission and put the game away in the third period. Coach Rich Relich used substitutes liberally in the final quarter, with nine Red Raiders breaking into the scoring column.

Tim Winters had his best game of the season to lead Waynesburg with 18 points, followed by Chuck Wassick with 15 and Brian Sommers with 14. Kevin Anesetti got 17 and Glen Garbort 16 to pace Chartiers-Houston.

Maples, 59-56

MAPLETOWN — Jeff Cettin, the leading high school scorer in the Washington-Greene County area, dropped in 25 points here Friday night to pace the Mapletown High School basketball team to a 59-56 victory over Section 16-A rival Fairchance-Georges.

Cettin hit on a dozen shots from the floor and one free throw for his total. Jim Dugan chipped in with 14 points for the winners and Chris Dugan had 10.

Keith Martin was high for the Runners with 16 points while Bob McCoy had 13, Earl Thomas 12 and Pat McDonough 10.

The victory leaves Mapletown with a 3-1 overall record and 1-0 in sectional play.

Frazier, 101-36

PERRYOPOLIS — West Greene fell behind by 23 points in the first quarter and it was all downhill thereafter as Frazier defeated the Pioneers 101-36 in their Section 16-A opener.

The taller and quicker Commodores had five players in double figures, with Tom Oldham leading the parade with 25 points. He was followed by Mike Ferrari with 17 and Mike Huwar and Robert King with 16 each.

Steve Burns collected 12 points to lead West Greene.

Geibel, 91-49

CONNELLSVILLE — The Geibel Gators, runnersup in Section 16-A a season ago and WPIAL Class A champions a year ago, opened their 1980-81 sectional season here Friday evening by bombing Jefferson-Morgan 91-49.

The Rockets hung tough against the Gators for the first six minutes, but the Fayette County team broke the game open in the last two minutes of the first period and went on to coast to the victory.

Ron Crofcheek took game scoring honors with 17 points. Dave Bell followed with 16, Ron Kupiel had 14 and Dan Deaver had 10.

German, 57-54

CARMICHAELS — The German Township Uhlans opened their 1980-81 Section 16-A basketball season with a hard-fought 57-54 overtime win over Carmichaels.

Further details of the game were not made available by Carmichaels officials.

Waynesburg Wins

WAYNESBURG — Robin Boyd tossed in a game-high 26 points to lead Waynesburg High School's girls basketball team over Chartiers-Houston High School 55-42 in Section 9-AA-A action Thursday night.

Boyd, a junior guard-forward, teamed up with Lori Trader, who dropped in 11 points, to account for 37 of Waynesburg's 55 points.

Waynesburg jumped out to a 32-22 halftime lead and coasted through the third and fourth quarters outscoring the Bucs 23-20.

Lynn Bazzoli, a sophomore forward, threw in 21 points to lead the Bucs, whose record is now 1-1 in section play and 3-3 overall.

Giebel Gals Win

MAPLETOWN — Giebel High School's girls basketball team dominated here Tuesday in defeating Mapletown 52-18 in a Section 16-A game.

Giebel was led by Kissinger with 11 points, while Sandy Griffin got five points to lead the Maples.

Maple Girls Win

MAPLETOWN — The Mapletown girls' basketball team won their Section 16-A opener here Friday evening, squeaking by Fairchance-

Georges by a 28-20 margin.

Dea Lash paced the winners, scoring one-half of her team's points. Three other Mapletown girls finished with four markers each. Barb Janosik and Lori Kanar each had eight points for the losers.

Raiders, 59-0

JEFFERSON — Tony Barbeta's Jefferson-Morgan High School wrestling team made it four in a row here Friday afternoon by scoring its second straight shutout.

The Rockets, picked by many to run a strong second to Waynesburg in the Section 8-AA race, stomped newcomer Mapletown by a 66-0 score. Wednesday evening, the Rockets had blanked Brownsville in an exhibition match.

The Rockets used eight falls, a pair of decisions and two forfeits en route to the win, their first in section action.

Gary Basinger (105), Eric Cottle (112), Mike Knight (119), Alan Yanak (126), Barry Thistlethwaite (132), Jerry Nelson (138), Bob Knight (145) and Al Starostanko (185) all scored falls for the winners with Bob Knight recording the quickest pin of the evening in just 29 seconds over Jeff Grim.

At 95 Gary Basinger decided Rick Griffin 12-5 and Doug Otto scored a 4-3 decision over Chris Homistek in their 167-pound bout.

Jeff Morgan—4
96-D. Basinger (JM) pinned Griffin 12-5
105-G. Basinger (JM) pinned G. Chory 0:43
112-Cottle (JM) pinned Mandarano 4:36
119-M. Knight (JM) pinned Murdoch 0:42
126-Yanak (JM) pinned M. Chory 3:53
132-Thistlethwaite (JM) pinned Phillips 1:11
138-Nelson (JM) pinned Robinson 2:24
145-B. Knight (JM) pinned Grim 0:29
155-Lawrence (JM) won by forfeit
167-Otto (JM) dec. Homistek 4-3
185-Starostanko (JM) pinned Pierce 0:33
Hvy.—Foraman (JM) won by forfeit
Referee: Marchetta

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Other Raiders scoring falls included: Greg Eddy (98), John Throckmorton (112), Ed Shriver (119), Bill Gerace (132), Bill Skelton (167) and heavyweight Mark Moore.

Pioneers, 59-9

ROGERSVILLE — The West Greene High School wrestling team upped its season record to 2-1 here Friday night, clobbering West Virginia neighbor, Cameron, by a 59-9 count.

The Pioneers used six falls on their way to the victory. Jay Hartzell (98), Craig Riffle (105), Pat Headlee (112), Alan

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Bedlion (138), Arleigh Crossler (145) and Ken Jones (155) all recorded pins for the Greene County team.

Scott Horn scored a 10-0 major decision over Tom Dunn at 167 and Rikk Walters had a close 3-2 win over Mark Yoho in their 119-pound bout.

West Greene—59
96-J. Hartzell (WG) pinned McClelland 5:55
105-Riffle (WG) pinned Logsdon 5:50
112-Headley (WG) pinned Rush 0:56
119-Walters (WG) decisioned Yoho 3-2
126-Hill (C) pinned T. Horn 3:55
132-S. Hartzell (WG) dec. Crossler 8:40
145-Crossler (WG) pinned Newman 1:00
155-Bedlion (WG) pinned Hewitt 1:22
167-Horn (WG) dec. Dunn 10:0 (major)
185-Huttman (C) dec. M. Horn 8:1
Hvy.—Schiller (WG) won by forfeit
Referee: J. Simon

Raiders, 59-0

MCCLELLANDTOWN — Defending WPIAL Class AA team wrestling champion Waynesburg Central High School started its 1980-81 season here Wednesday evening just the way it finished last season, by shellacking German Township 59-0 in the Section 8-AA opener for both schools.

Defending WPIAL individual champions Marty Stewart, at 105, and Doug Haines, wrestling at 155, scored wins in the Red Raiders' opener; Stewart by scoring a 5-0 decision over Don Williams and Haines by pinning Mike Belch at the 34 second mark of their bout.

Other Raiders scoring falls included: Greg Eddy (98), John Throckmorton (112), Ed Shriver (119), Bill Gerace (132), Bill Skelton (167) and heavyweight Mark Moore.

Rockets, 58-0

BROWNSVILLE — The Jefferson-Morgan High School wrestling team won its third exhibition match of the season here Wednesday evening by blanking Brownsville 58-0.

The Rockets, who open their Section 8-AA season Friday evening when they host Mapletown, used seven falls on their way to the easy win.

Fur Flies In Jacket Win

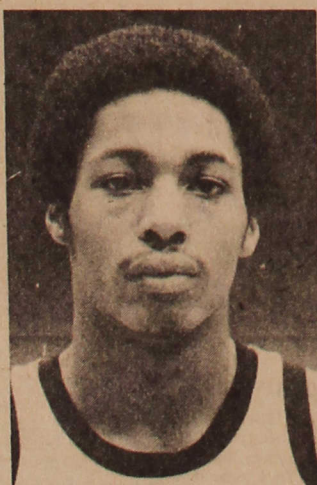
By JIM MOORE
Staff Writer

WAYNESBURG — They collected their fifth win in six starts by defeating Frostburg, Md., 90-82 here Saturday night but the Waynesburg College Yellow Jackets had to wrestle and play football in the second half of the brutal contest to come away with the victory.

The visiting Bobcats took advantage of their bench and kept sending in fresh troops during the second half. Waynesburg managed to maintain an average 13-point lead during most of the game but the Bobcats narrowed the margin to three late in the game. Veterans Mike Taylor and Tim Tyler took control of the Jackets offense and scored key baskets in the final four minutes to pull away from the husky Bobcats.

Taylor, a sophomore guard, led all scorers with a 23-point performance coming on 10 field goals and three foul conversions. Senior Mike Taylor added 20 points to the Jacket total while Paul Epps and Tim Walker added 19 and 15 respectively for the winners.

Freshman guard Greg Seker led the Bobcats with 21 points while Steve Liller added 18 points. Tony Doerr, a 6-7



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freshman, contributed 10 points as did Dave Porter. Officials called 57 fouls in a game that

often resembled a rugby match with as many as six players involved in one scramble for a loose ball. In addition, the Bobcats were assessed with two technical fouls, one when a player spiked the ball.

"We are still looking for a catalyst either in the form of a player or a circumstance to make us a better ball team," Jacket coach Rudy Marisa said after the game.

Waynesburg maintained a comfortable lead until early in the second half when Frostburg became physical in its offensive strategy. The Jackets made several turnovers and missed several shots before the veteran players slowed the game and hit on key shots. Both Taylor and Tyler hit two field goals each in the final three minutes to keep the Jackets ahead.

Coach Marisa after the game said his pre-season concern about height and bench strength has become apparent early in the season.

Waynesburg hosts California State at 8 p.m. Thursday in the College Gym. Now 5-1 on the season, the Jackets defeated California last week on the Vulcans' home court.

Obituaries

Chambers

William Francis Chambers, 83, of Cameron R.D. 4, W.Va., died at 7:15 p.m., Sunday, December 14, 1980, in Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Glendale, W.Va.

He was born May 4, 1897, in Marshall County, W.Va., a son of Frank and Anna Brewer Chambers.

Mr. Chambers was a retired farmer. He was a World War I veteran and a member of the American Legion, Cameron Post 18. He also was a member of the Clouston United Methodist Church.

On December 29, 1923, he married Nancy L. Fletcher, who survives.

Also surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Charles (Lisa) Bartrug and Mrs. Gibson (Lavonne) Stroppe, both of Cameron, Mrs. Eva Ludewig and Mrs. Elma Heilman, both of Wheeling, W.Va., Mrs. Joe (Thelma) Otte of Glendale and Mrs. Charles (Neda Mae) Kellas of Warwood, W.Va.; two sons, Harrison F. Chambers of Sherrard, W.Va., and Arnold L. Chambers of Glen Easton, W.Va.; 35 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Ocie Thomas of Glendale, Mrs. Lilly Glover of Andover, N.Y., and Mrs. Della Cumpston of Wellsville, N.Y.; and two brothers, Pete Orville Chambers of Whitesville, N.Y., and Josh Chambers of Cameron.

Brand

Manda Miller Brand, 60, of Carmichaels R.D. 1, died at 8:10 p.m. Tuesday, December 16, 1980, in Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She was born December 30, 1919, at Whitetop, W.Va., a daughter of Monroe Miller and Ennice Dolinger Miller Brooks. Her husband, Wilbert (Curly) Brand, survives.

Mrs. Brand had lived in Carmichaels for the past 35 years. She had been employed at the Curry Memorial Home for 12 years. She was a member of the Greene Valley Presbyterian Church of Carmichaels.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are five daughters: Mrs. John (Zerelda) DeFiugo of San Jose, Calif., Mrs. Ray (Dawn) Sturgis of Burke, Va., Martha Smitley of Waynesburg, Mrs. Ben (Judy) Douglas of Rochester, N.Y., and Mrs. James (Geneva) Blankenhorn of Reading; eight grandchildren; three sisters: Mrs. Clyde Hargrave in California, Pauline Greer in Virginia, and Mae Brewer McCance in Ohio; and four brothers: Clarence and Ed Miller, both in Virginia, Elmer Miller in Florida, and James Miller in Maryland.

One sister, Fannie Greer, and one brother, Van, are deceased.

Summersgill

John William Summersgill, 69, of Milfred Terrace, Fredericktown, formerly of Waynesburg, died unexpectedly Wednesday, December 17, 1980, at 4:45 a.m. in his home.

He was born May 18, 1911, in Waynesburg, a son of the late Jess and Emma Frye Summersgill.

Mr. Summersgill was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Millsboro. He was a retired employee of the A&P Co. and he was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose No. 461 of Waynesburg.

Surviving are his wife, Louise Moore Summersgill; two sons, John G. Summersgill of Waynesburg and Charles W. Summersgill of Niles, Ohio; three daughters, Mrs. Martha Lackney of Kent, Ohio, Mrs. Carol Wilson of Fredericktown and Mrs. Mary Virgili of Carmichaels R.D. 1; and 12 grandchildren.

Franks

Mary Elizabeth Franks, 74, of Greensboro, died Tuesday, December 16, 1980, in Lake County Memorial Hospital, Willoughby, Ohio.

She was a daughter of the late Adam and Anna Dolack Lesnick, and was born May 24, 1906, in Oliver, Fayette County. Her husband, Steve Franks, died in June 1980.

Mrs. Franks was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church in Greensboro.

Surviving are two sons, Edward Franks of Bobtown and Steven Franks of Pittsburgh; two daughters, Mrs. Robert (Rosemarie) Leaf of Willowick, Ohio, and Mrs. John (Catherine) Lind of Houston, Texas; 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. A son died in infancy.

Wright

Harry E. Wright, 87, of Rices Landing, died Friday, December 12, 1980, at 4:30 p.m. in Greene County Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born December 29, 1892, at Vanderbilt, he was a son of Charles and Roxalina Johnson Wright.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Thomas Wright of Rices Landing.

Mr. Wright was a retired coal miner from Crucible Mine and a member of UMW Dilworth Local 1980 in Rices Landing.

He was a veteran of World War I, having served with the U.S. Army in Europe and a lifetime member of the Brooks-Crago Post of the American Legion in Rices Landing.

Mr. Wright had resided most of his life in Rices Landing. He was a Protestant.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Robert Wright of Harrisburg; three daughters, Mrs. Helen Hayes of Detroit, Mich., Mrs. Katherine Thomas of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Linda Voight of Rices Landing; eight grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and a sister, Mrs. Louella Stillwagon of Vanderbilt.

One sister, Maude, is deceased.

Baker

Mary Baker, 64, of Carmichaels, died at her home, Wednesday, December 10, 1980.

She was born May 23, 1916, at Poland Mines, a daughter of Elmer and Christina Howard Murphy.

Her husband, William Leroy Baker, died in 1952. Mrs. Baker had lived all of her life in the Carmichaels area and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Carmichaels.

Surviving are one son, Leroy Baker of Carmichaels; a daughter, Mrs. Charles (Loretta) Teagarden of Carmichaels; four grandchildren; several step-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren; two brothers, Elmer Murphy of Carmichaels R.D. 1, and Charles Murphy of Pontiac, Mich.; and four sisters, Mrs. Edward (Edna) Varesko of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Robert (Margaret) Teagarden of Rices Landing R.D. 1, Mrs. Edward (Silvia) Morris of Solon, Ohio, and Mrs. Thomas (Dorothy) Seni of Ohio.

Avery

Mrs. Martha Clarke Avery, 68, Youngstown, Ohio, a native of Waynesburg, died after a long illness Tuesday, December 16, 1980.

She was born March 17, 1912, in Waynesburg, a daughter of John and Ocie Headlee Clarke. Her father was a grocery store owner and her mother served for several years as a juvenile probation officer of the county court.

Mrs. Avery graduated from Waynesburg High School and from Wayne College in 1934. She was the widow of Paul Avery, who was also a Waynesburg College graduate.

Surviving are two sons, Clarke Avery of Youngstown and John Avery of Glen Burnie, Md.; and four grandchildren. Mrs. Margaret Perrin of Waynesburg is a cousin. A brother, Arthur Clarke, is deceased.

Funeral services and interment were held in Youngstown.

Andrews

William L. Andrews, 87, of Waynesburg R.D. 1, died Monday, December 15, 1980, in the home of his daughter, Naomi Lee King, of Waynesburg R.D. 1. His death followed a long illness.

He was born October 31, 1893, in Dennison, Ohio, a son of W. D. and Agnes Belle Thornburg Andrews. His wife, Beulah Belle Ferguson, whom he married January 21, 1915, died March 24, 1979.

Mr. Andrews had been employed as a postal clerk and State Store clerk in Burgettstown. He also did income tax returns.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church in Jefferson and the Greene County Senior Citizens. He was the last of his immediate family.

Surviving are two daughters, Naomi Lee King of Waynesburg R.D. 1 and Billie M. Dyhouse of Pittsburgh; one son, William Forbes Andrews of Fairfield, Calif.; 12 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Taylor

Alex P. Taylor, 71, of Route 88, Carmichaels R.D. 1, died at 1:10 a.m. Tuesday, December 16, 1980 in Monongalia General Hospital, Morgantown, W.Va.

He was a son of the late Alex and Margaret Percy Taylor and was born August 14, 1909 at Scottdale. He had resided at Carmichaels for the past 35 years.

Mr. Taylor was a retired superintendent's clerk at U.S. Steel's Robena Mine and was president of the U.S. Steel Pensioners' Association and chairman of the Frick Picnic Committee. He was a member of St. Hugh Church at Carmichaels and of the Carmichaels Senior Citizens.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth Kelly Taylor; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Jacqueline) Feeley of Chicago, Ill. and Mrs. William (Joyce) Halstead of Prince Frederick, Md.; a son, Patricia A. Taylor of Enola; four grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Leon (Estelle) Haracy of Carnegie and Mrs. Charles (Dorothy) Hostetter of Duncannon.

Casper

John A. Casper, 71, of 23 Arbor Apartments, Carmichaels, formerly of Mather and Carnegie, died at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 13, 1980, in his home following an extended illness.

He was born February 10, 1909, in Mammoth, a son of Peter and Helen Coleman Casper.

Twice married, his first wife Mary Bichko died in 1971 and he is survived by his second wife Mary Jane Butler Casper.

A retired truck driver, he was employed by Norwalk Freight Lines of Pittsburgh. Most of his life was spent in Carnegie and he had lived in Greene County for the past seven years.

He was a member of St. Hugh's R.C. Church in Carmichaels and Teamsters Local 249.

Also surviving are two daughters Mrs. Leonard (Nancy) Anthony Jr. and Mrs. Robert (Eileen) Cleric, both of Carnegie; four grandchildren; a stepson Joseph Butler of Charlottesville, N.C.; two step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren and a sister, Mrs. Anna Siglish of Ambridge.

Two brothers and a sister are deceased.

Renner

Ica Flora Renner, 90, formerly of Spraggs, died Saturday morning, December 13, 1980, in Waynesburg.

She was born June 11, 1890, in Brock, the daughter of Thomas J. and Almedia John Renner, and was a member of the Blacksville United Methodist Church.

Surviving are a nephew Luther Renner of Waynesburg; two nieces, Marjory Levine of Cleveland, Ohio, and Lucille Gardner of Waynesburg.

A sister and three brothers are deceased.

McCurdy

Lucy Banks McCurdy, 90, of 262 Reinhart Avenue, Waynesburg, died Thursday, December 11, 1980, at 3 p.m. in Greene County Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

She was born December 25, 1889, in Clarksburg, W.Va., a daughter of Virginia Banks.

She was married to Robert B. McCurdy, who died January 8, 1969.

Mrs. McCurdy resided most of her life in Waynesburg. She worked as a caterer and had been employed as a cook in the home of Josephine Denny and Helen Howard.

She was a member of the Bethel A.M.E. Church in Waynesburg.

Surviving are two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Mary Beckwith of Waynesburg and Mrs. Byrdie E. Crockett of Washington.

Church Dinner

The annual Christmas dinner of the Rogersville United Methodist Church will be held at 6:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 20 in the social hall of the church. Each family planning to attend is asked to bring a covered dish and their own table service. Rolls and beverage will be provided.

A Christmas program will be presented by various classes of the church beginning at 8 p.m. and there will be a treat for each child present.



Observer-Reporter Photo by Stan Diamond

Visions Of Sugar Plums, And Other Edibles!

Joella Lewis, left, and Lisa Bell, students in the home economics class of Mrs. Jessie Leidecker at West Greene High School, add more "weight" to a gingerbread village the class began making earlier this week. For those who gain weight just looking at such things but don't plan to diet until after the holidays, the details follow: the village is made of six gingerbread houses trimmed with icing, choco-

late drops, candy canes, gum drops and wafers. It's all sitting on a large landscaped cake with white icing for snow and blue icing for a skating pond and stream. The road through the village is paved with candy with candy cane light standards featuring gum drop globes. The gingerbread houses will go home with the students but the cake will be a victim of a 'fat attack' by students and teachers.

County Organizes Prison Board

WAYNESBURG — A prison board which will be responsible for overseeing operation and management of the new Greene County jail was organized Tuesday.

The board, which will be called "Inspectors of the Greene County Jail," will consist of Greene County Commissioners Joseph Pawlosky, L. R. Santore and Richard Cowan, Judge Glenn Toothman, Sheriff Remo Bertugli and District Attorney Charles

Morris.

After being established by resolution during Tuesday's meeting of the commissioners, the board organized by electing Pawlosky as chairman and Santore as secretary.

Meetings, which will be open to the public, will be held on a monthly basis. Time and place of the meetings remains to be determined.

County Solicitor A.J. Marion noted that make-up of

the board is prescribed by state law. In counties which have one, the county controller is the seventh member of the board. Greene County does not have a controller, however, and Marion said there is no provision in the law to have a substitute seventh member in such cases.

With a six-member board it will require four votes to pass a motion.

There was some discussion about hold a meeting of the

prison board prior to adoption of the county budget on Dec. 30, but the members felt that would not be necessary provided they were furnished with a copy of the section of the budget dealing with the jail.

The board, working with Warden Andy Bystry, will be responsible for establishing policies relating to operation of the jail, for staffing, and for all areas of its administration.

In the past, prior to construction of the new jail, administration of the county jail was the responsibility of the sheriff.

In other action the commissioners authorized John Graham, chief probation officer, to employ a secretary to fill a vacancy created by the promotion of an employee. On recommendation of Judge Toothman, they also approved the appointment of an additional secretary for the probation department with the salary to be paid out of federal and state funds received by the county for probation services.

Public Notices

LIST OF FINAL ACCOUNTS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COURTS BY AL DARNEY, CLERK OF COURTS, OF THE COMMON PLEAS COURT, ORPHAN COURT DIVISION ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 1981.

The First & Final Account of William H. Lavins, Administrator of the Estate of Anna G. Lavins, late of Cumberland Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

The First & Final Account of John Murphy and George Murphy, Administrators of the Estate of Agnes Bailey Murphy, late of Jefferson Borough, Greene County, Pennsylvania.

AL DARNEY, Clerk of Courts 12-12, 19, 26

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE ESTATE OF REX E. KENNEDY a/k/a REX KENNEDY of Franklin Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of administration having been granted by the Register of Wills in and for Greene County, Pennsylvania, on the estate of the above named decedent, to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same; and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to MAUDE I. KENNEDY R.D.#4

Waynesburg, Penna. 15370 Administratrix ROBERT M. KEENER, Esquire SAVERS, KING, KEENER & NALITZ, Attorneys 12-5, 12, 19

ADMINISTRATOR C.T.A. NOTICE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA M. STONEKING a/k/a VIRGINIA STONEKING of Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of administration C.T.A. having been granted by the Register of Wills in and for Greene County, Pennsylvania, on the estate of the above named decedent, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same; and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to:

James A. Stoneking Box 150 R.D. 1 Dilliner, Pa. 15327 Administrator C.T.A. THOMPSON AND BAILY Attorneys 12-19, 26; 1-2

Public Notices

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE Estate of MARGARET M. REED late of Cumberland Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement.

JANE ULLERY & RALPH ULLERY R.D.#1 Box 125 Carmichaels, Pa. 15320 Executors THOMPSON AND BAILY Attorneys 12-5, 12, 19

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE Estate of James Furman Patterson late of Waynesburg Borough, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement.

Harold E. Patterson 46 High Rock Road Wayland, Massachusetts 01778 William R. Davis Attorney 12-12, 19, 26

EXECUTRIX NOTICE Estate of GILMORE F. BELL, a/k/a G. F. BELL late of Carmichaels Borough, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the above named estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to all persons indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, and to those having claims against the same to present them properly authenticated, for settlement.

Helen E. Bell 1110 Smithfield St. State College, Pa. 16801 Executrix THOMPSON AND BAILY ATTORNEYS 12-5, 12, 19

FICTITIOUS NAME NOTICE Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Assembly, Number 380, approved May 24, 1945, of intention to file in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and in the Office of the Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas of Greene County, Pennsylvania, on or about the 22nd of December, 1980, a Certificate for the conducting of business in Greene County, Pennsylvania, under the assumed or fictitious name, style or designation of WAYNESBURG LIMOUSINE, with its principal place of business at 129 South Washington Street, Waynesburg, Greene County, Pennsylvania 15370.

The character of business so carried on or conducted is carriage of persons by vehicle in Airport Transfer Service between Waynesburg, Pennsylvania and Greater Pittsburgh International Airport.

The name and address of the person owning or interested in said business is Paul S. Fike, Jr., R.D. 2, Box 100, Waynesburg, Pennsylvania 15370. Paul S. Fike, Jr., R.D. 2, Box 100 Waynesburg, Pa. 15370 12-19

ADMINISTRATOR C.T.A. NOTICE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA M. STONEKING a/k/a VIRGINIA STONEKING of Dunkard Township, Greene County, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters of administration C.T.A. having been granted by the Register of Wills in and for Greene County, Pennsylvania, on the estate of the above named decedent, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims or demands against the estate of said decedent, to make known the same; and all persons indebted to the said decedent are requested to make payment without delay to:

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Home Damaged By Fire

CARMICHAELS — A mobile home five miles south of Carmichaels was extensively damaged by fire Tuesday morning.

Carmichaels Fire Chief William Groves said the dwelling, located on the Turkey Knob Road, was owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Mackey of Greensboro R.D. 1. He estimated damage to the trailer and its contents at \$7,500.

The alarm was called in at 10:45 a.m. by a motorist who saw smoke coming from the building. Firemen were at the scene for more than four hours, with lack of water hampering their efforts. The

Crucible Fire Company was called to provide an extra tank truck.

Groves said Mr. and Mrs. Mackey had left the home about 45 minutes before the blaze was discovered. Cause of the fire has not been determined.

Groves also reported that Carmichaels firemen were called out Monday morning when smoke from an incinerator seeped into Carmichaels Area Junior High School. He said that an automatic damper malfunctioned.

Students Held For Burglary

WAYNESBURG — Two Waynesburg College students were lodged in Greene County Jail over the weekend in lieu of \$5,000 bond following their arrest by Waynesburg Borough Police on charges of receiving stolen property and burglary.

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