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Again, No Rain

WAYNESBURG — It was cloudy and overcast all day — but that doesn't count.

For the third consecutive year, as of 11:45 Sunday night, disappointed Waynesburg residents had to suffer through a "dry" celebration.

Some think it's the fault of Florida Governor Bob Graham. "We should never have bet with the governor of the "Sunshine State," a local wag said Sunday night while watching the sky for just a drop of rain.

This marks the 109th year since records were kept on the unique celebration which is never considered successful without rain. For 93 years, Jupiter Pluvius obliged the local folk and sent everything from a few drops to a downpour on this county seat.

Attorney John Daily, although disappointed, is already looking for another bet next year. He will surrender his rain day hat to the southern governor at a later date.

The good weather failed to dampen the spirits of hundreds who jammed the block between Morgan and Washington streets Sunday. Many of the spectators came direct from the antique car show at the fairgrounds to the downtown area where they were entertained until late in the evening.

Two bands, a juggler, aerobic and dance classes and deejays provided musical entertainment and the local National Guard unit conducted a memorial service to members of Company K killed on July 29, 1918.

Jodi Burge of Carmichaels, the new Miss Rain Day, also performed on the courthouse plaza stage.

In the merchant's window decorating contest sponsored by the Special Events Commission, Main Street Gallery won first prize and will keep the "Gold Watering Can" trophy for the year.

Theme for the winning entry was "The Wheel Goes Round and Round" and featured a large wheel of fortune with the wheel segments designating various ways it could rain to satisfy the Rain Day tradition.

Second place went to Mickey's Men Store which featured a man in a rain coat carrying an umbrella and leaning against a lamp post in the rain. Third place went to the Carol-Lee Shop which posted a verse about the Rain Day tradition.

In the umbrella contest, 12-year-old Casey Lemley, daughter of Perry and Mary Lou Lemley of Jefferson, won first prize. Theme of her entry was "It's Raining Cats and Dogs" and the umbrella featured cats and dogs as rain drops. She received a \$30 cash prize.

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Rain Day Always Attracts Attention



Saturday's Rain Day activities on High Street centered around the county courthouse. Observer-Reporter / Stas Diamond

Indian Village Features Unique 'Ring' Structure

By Bob Eichenlaub, Greene County Editor

WAYNESBURG — An unusual central structure within two concentric rings of encircling households has been identified as one of the unique features of the Indian village currently being excavated on the Richard Foley farm near Bristoria in western Greene County.

James T. Herbstritt, an archaeologist who is directing field operations at the site for the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, updated the project for members of the Paul R. Stewart Chapter of the Society for Pennsylvania Archaeology at their monthly meeting Wednesday evening at Waynesburg. He is currently in his second season of work at the site.

Herbstritt said it is the largest protohistoric village of the Monongahela Woodland Culture found to date, and may very well have been the last which existed before the Monongahela people completely disappeared sometime around 1635.

Protohistoric is used to designate the period from 1590 to 1640 during which Indians of this region, while never actually contacting white people, had indirect contact with them through receiving European trade goods from other Indians who brought it inland from the east coast.

"Other Monongahela culture villages which have been excavated averaged from nine to 18 houses," Herbstritt said. "The village at the Foley site covered some 3½ acres and contained as many as 60 houses, indicating that from 250 to 300 people lived there."

The Foley farm village was situated on a narrow flood plain, surrounded by hills, at the point where Job Creek flows into the Dunkard Fork of Wheeling Creek. Indications are that it was occupied for about 40 years, Herbstritt said.

The most unusual and fascinating discovery made among the postmold patterns at the Foley farm — found in no other Monongahela village — was the remains of a large, centrally located structure which had many appendages in a petal pattern, which would have looked much like a flower when viewed from above.

Unlike the many surrounding houses, it contained no food storage pits or burial chambers, but did have a centrally located firebasin line with

plastered clay. Herbstritt theorizes that it may have been used as a men's house where priests and shamans congregated to perform such rituals as the rites of passage. Another possibility is that it may have functioned as a communal or council house, since it had a diameter of about 65 feet.

"It was a specialized structure and we're not sure what it was used for," he said.

Another of the mysteries still to be unraveled centers on burial customs.

A number of burial sites have been discovered at the village, all of them infants and children no older than 5 years of age who were buried under flat stones in the floors of dwelling houses. No adult remains have been found.

In a recent article published in "Pennsylvania Heritage," a magazine published by the Historical and Museum Commission, Herbstritt notes that the Monongahela Woodland Culture was first identified in 1939 by anthropologist Mary Butler. They thrived for 600 years in the Monongahela Valley of southwestern Pennsylvania, western Maryland and parts of northern West Virginia before vanishing without a trace.

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Post Office Sites Being Sought For Spraggs, Holbrook

The U.S. Postal Service is advertising for sites to house post offices in two Greene County communities.

The preferred sites would be within one-half mile of existing post office locations on a hard surface road.

Sites are being sought for Spraggs and Holbrook and should be a minimum of 65 feet by 125 feet or some 10,625 square feet.

Forms and required information pertaining to site submissions may be obtained from Unites States Postal Service, c/o Dan McCown & Co. Inc., Suite 1600, St. Claire Plaza, 1121 Boyce Road, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15241-3918, Attention: Kenneth R. Rader, REO.

Offers must be received in the Pittsburgh office before the close of business at 5 pm. Sept. 1.

Court Rejects Motion On Homicide Charge

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Court Friday rejected a motion which asked for the dismissal of a criminal homicide charge against Harvey A. Shekerko, 31, Waynesburg.

The motion contended that the affidavit of probable cause which Waynesburg Borough police executed in obtaining a warrant for Shekerko's arrest on March 30 was insufficient and fatally defective.

In dismissing the motion, Judge Glenn Toothman held that the affidavit sworn to before the magistrate who issued the arrest warrant contained enough facts to satisfy the requirement of probable cause.

"The affidavit does state certain generalities as claimed but when it is read in conjunction with the complaint, which is specific in its factual content and allegations, which is also under oath, there can be no doubt of a sufficient basis for the finding of probable cause," Judge Toothman states

in his petition.

Shekerko is charged with the fatal beating of four-year-old James Everett Caldwell, son of Linda Caldwell of Waynesburg. The child was found dead on March 21 at the foot of a flight of stairs in Shekerko's home on South Morgan Street.

In other criminal court action Friday, Judge Toothman refused a petition for a parole for Hallie McCollum Jr., 61, Holbrook R.D.1, who has served 13 months of a 17½-to-23-month sentence in the Greene County jail on charges of homicide by vehicle and driving while intoxicated.

His attorney, Roger J. Ecker of Washington, filed the motion on the grounds that McCollum is suffering from heart and kidney ailments and requires medical treatment.

While Judge Toothman turned down the request for a parole, he granted McCollum a one-week furlough to give him an opportunity to obtain medical treatment.

Ground Broken For Hospital Project

WAYNESBURG — Ground was broken for the \$5.8-million construction and renovation project at Greene County Memorial Hospital Wednesday morning.

The groundbreaking ceremonies culminated planning activities initiated in late 1980 by the Building and Grounds Committee of the Board of Trustees. Hospital Administrator Michael Flinn said the project should be completed in May 1985.

The project will provide approximately 14,000 square feet of new space and 9,000 square feet of renovated space. The project will not add more acute care beds, but will add much needed space in the ancillary areas of radiology, laboratory, physical therapy and the emergency/outpatient department. New space will be created on the third floor for a five-bed special care unit that will feature a central nursing station from which all patients can be observed simultaneously. A drive-through entrance on the ground level will provide access to an enhanced lobby and a community room will

located off the lobby for community meetings and conferences. There will be minor renovations to the dietary department and an additional visitors' elevator will be installed.

Members of the groundbreaking team were introduced by Administrator Flinn. They included: William P. Thomas Jr., president of the hospital's Board of Trustees; Dr. Stanley E.L. Falor, president of the medical staff; McClees Waychoff, president of the women's auxiliary; David Cumberland, president of the Greene County Hospital Authority; Katie Yuan-Tsai, president of the Greene County Medical Society Auxiliary; Arlene Donham, representing the hospital retirees, and Harriet Manfredi, representing the hospital employees.

Thomas introduced members of McAnallen Inc. general contractors for the project, Louis Waller, president; Charles Pryor, project manager; and Wilbur Davis, job superintendent. Steve Standifer, architect with Greshman, Smith and Partners of Nashville represented the hospi-

tal's architectural firm. Thomas also introduced Leo Vicini, district manager for Congressman Austin Murphy. Both Murphy and Sen. John Heinz provided assistance to Greene County Memorial Hospital in secur-

ing the loan guarantee for the hospital's project.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Visser, pastor of the First Baptist Church and president of the Waynesburg Ministerium, delivered the invocation.

Waynesburg College Given \$30,000 Grant

WAYNESBURG — The Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation of Princeton, N.J., has awarded Waynesburg College a \$30,000 grant to be used for student scholarship assistance during the coming academic year.

Dr. J. Thomas Mills, president of the college, said the grant would play an important role in the college's effort to find additional sources of scholarship support.

"Waynesburg College has a tradition of providing opportunities for deserving students," Mills said. "We are continuing our search for volun-

tary support from individuals, churches, organizations, foundations and businesses.

"The Newcombe Foundation has provided student-scholarship support for a great many Waynesburg College students in recent years and we appreciate their continued support," he said.

The foundation does not make grants directly to individual students. This year, grants totaling \$359,000 were made to 14 institutions of higher education related to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

Watershed Commission May Sue Columbia Gas

By Bob Eichenlaub, Greene County Editor

WAYNESBURG — The Wheeling Creek Watershed Commission is considering the possibility of condemnation proceedings to break a deadlock with Columbia Gas Co. over the removal of two gas pipelines and three storage wells from land in Greene County where the commission will build its sixth and final dam to control flood waters in the Wheeling Creek watershed.

Directors of the association, at their annual meeting this week in Washington, authorized Executive Secretary Ann Bower and Solicitor Robert McCall of Waynesburg to contact engineers, geologists and other experts as the first step toward

gathering the information which will be needed to file a declaration of taking which would force relocation of the wells and lines.

"We've been negotiating with the company for more than a year and have been unable to reach a settlement," Mrs. Bower said Friday. "They won't sign any agreement and their requirements keep changing."

One of the pipelines must be removed before construction work can begin on Dam PA-648, which will be built on the Enlow Fork of Wheeling in Richhill Township, just east of the West Virginia line in the northwestern corner of Greene County. It is located at the spot where the dam will be constructed.

The other pipeline runs through

the water impoundment area and the three storage wells are located on the fringe of the impoundment area, where they could be subjected to flooding in periods of high water.

The final dam will cost an estimated \$8.2 million, with \$7.3 million coming from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the balance from the watershed commission. Its construction will complete a complex of six water impoundment facilities in Pennsylvania and West Virginia to prevent flooding of Wheeling Creek in the Wheeling, W.Va. area.

Consolidation's latest cost estimate for moving the facilities was \$1 million, Mrs. Bower said. If it is accurate, it could be necessary to seek additional funding from the West

Virginia legislature, she added.

The watershed budget for 1984-985 which was approved at the annual meeting amounts to \$784,275, which includes \$731,200 for moving the gas facilities.

Mrs. Bower said that the commission will not make a final decision on condemnation until the technical data has been gathered. She said it would not delay the project because the commission would be in a position to proceed with construction as soon as the declaration has been filed.

"At that point it would be up to a board of view appointed by the court to assess damages to which Columbia is entitled," she said.

John Mank, assistant state conservationist with the U.S. Soil Con-

servation Service, reported that a new requirement SCS requirement will create some delay, however. It provides that an outside SCS review team review all of the documents before construction can begin. As a result, the timetable for the start of construction has been moved up to October 1985.

Mank also reported that from 9,000 to 10,000 tons of Waynesburg coal will have to be removed from the dam site during construction, which will then be available for sale by the commission.

Mrs. Bower reported that negotiations are proceeding with Consolidation Coal to trade a tract of coal owned by the flood control commission for coal underlying the dam

site. Unlike other dams in the system, which have permanent pools of water, PA-648 will be built as a "dry dam" with a conduit six feet in diameter through the earthen dam. In this way, water in the creek would continue to flow through the dam except during flood periods.

John Lane, citizen representative from Ohio County, W.Va., was re-elected chairman of the commission at the annual meeting. Other officers are William Sember, Washington County planner, assistant chairman; John Gardner, Greene County commissioner, secretary; Mrs. Bower, treasurer, and Carl B. Knight, citizen representative from Marshall County, W.Va., assistant treasurer.

Waynesburg's Rain Day: How Its Story Grew

By Christie Molzon, Staff Writer

WAYNESBURG — Like many special events, Waynesburg's Rain Day started out small.

A chance remark by a local farmer, whose name is not known, to a pharmacist that "it always seems to rain here on July 29," caused the latter to start keeping a weather diary. But the legend of Rain Day might never have gone beyond the borough limits if it hadn't been for an enthusiastic newspaper reporter looking for a story that the national wire services would pick up.

In the late 1920s John L. O'Hara began sending the Rain Day story out to Pittsburgh newspapers and wire services. Slowly, the papers, including the local ones, began to report on the mystical annual rainfall.

The following are excerpts from the Waynesburg Republican that show not only how Rain Day has been celebrated over the years, but how its story has grown nationwide.

O'Hara claims the first Rain Day hat bet was made in 1932, and that year the Waynesburg Republican made mention of it with this item, "Several persons in Waynesburg, who have kept a record of the weather here for a number of years, were glad

to hear the rain early Friday morning as the almost unerring record of rain on July 29 was still holding good."

In 1934, the newspaper ran an item after Rain Day in the Local section in the back pages of the paper. "Several residents of the northside who were awake about 4 a.m., state that they heard it raining and the government instrument kept by Thomas S. Knox showed a rainfall of 1/50 of an inch."

The Aug. 1, 1935, issue reported: "William Allison, who was connected with the J.T. Rogers Co. Drugstore at the present site of the Daily and Spragg Drugstore, kept a record of the weather on July 29 for many years and, at his death, the record was continued by his brother, Albert G. Allison. Since the death of the latter, B.B. Daily has been keeping the record. The manner in which the Weather Man has been maintaining a weather tradition here on July 29 has spread abroad, for Mr. Daily says that four telegrams from news services had been received here by 9 a.m. Monday in regard to information as to the expected rainfall."

In 1937, under the headline "Showers Today," the Waynesburg Republican noted:

"The weather forecast for today is showers, but of course, Waynesburg

residents know that because it is July 29. It is always said that when people do not know what to talk about, they talk about the weather. However, this is one occasion upon which the weather is a timely topic for conversation. This tradition of rain on July 29 has been broken twice in the past 61 years — the last during the drought in 1930."

However, 1937 was a dry year and that was noted on page five, the very last item in the Local section. "Waynesburg's weather tradition failed Thursday last when Jupiter Pluvius failed to put in his appearance on July 29. Byron Daily, pharmacist, who has been the official weather recorder for the past 10 years, was compelled to pay his standing wager of a hat — but it turned out to be a shirt. The Daily and Spragg Drugstore was swamped with phone calls and Mr. Daily was compelled to go fishing to get away from the phone."

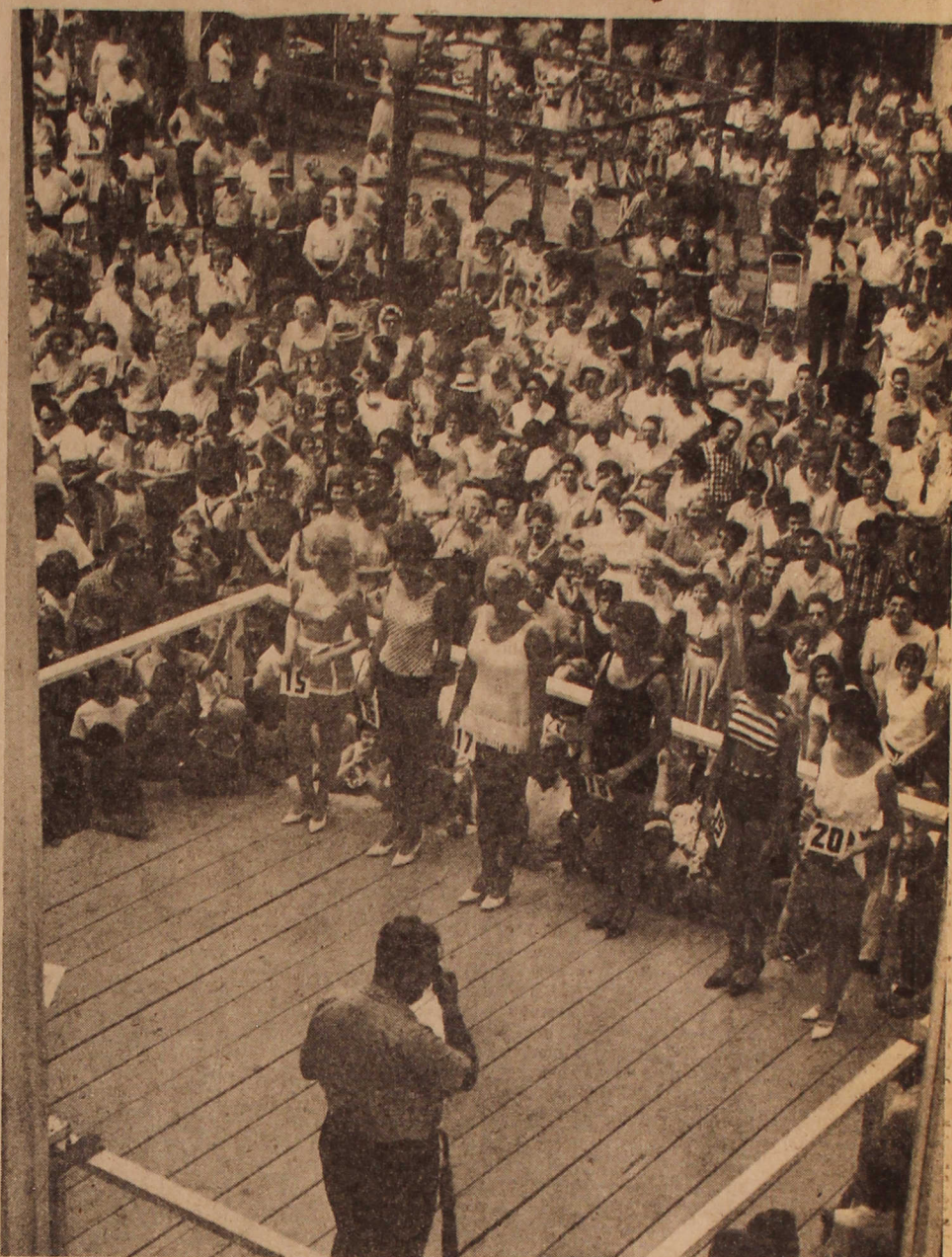
This item appeared Aug. 1, 1940: "Waynesburg's rainy day has for the past few years received nationwide publicity. In Chicago on Monday, radio station WGN dramatized the day with a five-minute sketch in which an old woman declared she knew it would rain 'because her corns hurt.'"

A new twist to announcing when sprinkles first fell also began to be reported, because the next year this appeared: "Waynesburg's July 29 rainy day tradition was upheld for the 64th year Tuesday when a shower fell just ten minutes after midnight. The courthouse bell was rung by several men who had taken up their annual vigil."

In the following years, it would be World War II that helped to spread the news of the unique day. The headline in the July 29, 1943, paper read "Greene County's Military Men on All Fronts, Betting on Falling Weather — Only 3 Misses in 67 Years."

From 1944: "This year, as was the case last year, Waynesburg men and women as well as other Greene countians in the service in all four corners of the globe will help spread the fame of their hometown and county seat by placing all sorts of wagers with fellow servicemen and women. A recent letter came from a foxhole on a beachhead in France which mentioned the approach of the July 29 rain back in Waynesburg was being awaited with interest by Waynesburgers even amid the tumult of the battlefield. ... Last year a slight shower after midnight and another about 9 a.m. saved the day for Daily and Waynesburg. This year, Waynesburgers say they will be satisfied even with rationed rainfall since everything else is on a wartime rationed basis."

When it rained July 29, 1944, the paper reported that members of the "July 29 Club" tolled the courthouse bell 29 times, "proclaiming to all Waynesburg that the old tradition



A swimsuit competition for Miss Rain Day in 1964 drew a large crowd.

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Rain Prophet John Daily dons firefighter garb to keep dry in 1956.

Observer-Reporter



In 1949 Rain Prophet John Daily posed with Waynesburg firefighters Robert Fox, center, and the late Clovis Wright, next to Daily. The other two are not identified.

Observer-Reporter



Mailmen getting into the Rain Day act in 1959 from left were, James Baker, Charles Greenlee, Ted Fordyce, and Willis Hawkins.

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held good."

More than 40 fire companies were invited to Waynesburg for Rain Day 1949 to participate in a large Rain Day parade. The newspaper reported a crowd of 3,000 turned out for the celebration which was not rained out. In fact, residents were trying so hard to bring on the rain that people who drove into town with a dirty car or truck were being fined 25 cents since "nothing invited a fender-streaking rainfall like a nice shining automobile freshly polished."

Apparently no celebrations were planned in the following years. On the front page of the Aug. 3, 1950, paper was a classified ad reading: "Wanted — Reliable Rainmaker. Permanent situation for one who can produce results when called upon. Present Rainmaker, unreliable, uncooperative, and not producing to best interests of community. Apply John Daily, Waynesburg."

In 1951 the only mention Rain Day received was a small, boxed headline on Aug. 1 reading "No, it didn't, durnit!"

There was no mention of Rain Day at all in the paper in 1952 and 1953.

The later reports in the 1950s of Rain Day were small notices in the paper: "a cloud obliged with a nice shower," "it did not rain in Rainburg," and "Daily wagered a replica of General Greene's chapeau."

But in 1961, the Waynesburg Re-

publican noted that the Waynesburg Junior Chamber of Commerce, for the past three years, had been sponsoring a Rain Day Festival in town, closing off High Street to traffic and providing carnival rides, dances and other amusements. "This year, proceeds will go for the recreation park the Jay Ceas are establishing near the Central Swimming Pool," the paper noted. "And merchants will keep their stores open until 9 o'clock Saturday night for the festival."

Just who the Rain Day "sucker" would be was also an item of interest and the traditional hat wager was made with such celebrities as heavy-weight champion Jack Dempsey, Bob Hope (who bet his friend, Bing Crosby's hat), the Three Stooges, Charlie McCarthy, Johnny Carson, and, in 1963, with Muhammed Ali (then known as Cassius Clay) who composed the following poem:

"Mr. Daily and all his crew
Shout that a drizzle or a dew drop will do
But I predict when July 29 comes around
Not even a drop of dew comes down
Back there in Waynesburg town."

Throughout the 1960s and 1970s the Rain Day celebrations took different

forms, sometimes a bathing beauty contest would be held, or a "Battle of the Bands," in addition to the regular street fair and special store sales. In other years, few events were held, but a careful report would be made of the calls coming from Los Angeles, Little Rock, Ark., or Trenton, N.J., from those wanting to know if it had rained.

In 1979, the paper reported one of the largest Rain Day celebrations in recent years was held. That year, the Special Events Commission was formed from the Waynesburg Economic and Revitalization Commission and took the responsibility of planning Rain Day activities. The commission has continued to host the Rain Day fun since then.

From the days when the courthouse bell was rung as the first sprinkles splattered the sidewalks to today's logging of the "official rain time" on a computerized drug store sign, the spirit of Rain Day has continued whether there was a large crowd downtown or just a few people asking if it had rained yet.

Unlike some holidays that have been commercialized to the point of being meaningless, Rain Day continues to be nonsensical, silly and fun.

A bit of lore that makes Waynesburg unique.

Why It Didn't Rain In Those Dry Years

WAYNESBURG — The official Rain Day record stands at 93 years of rain since 1875, 108 years ago, when the strange weather phenomenon was first recorded.

Not a bad record, 86 percent chance of rain, in fact.

But why did it fail to rain those 15 years? Was there some sort of Rain Day jinx?

Well, there are some theories to why it didn't rain on a couple of occasions, Leap Year, for instance. Yes, that missing day in February tended to play havoc with the well-tuned July weather pattern in Waynesburg.

In 1948, 1968 and 1972, all Leap Years, rain did not fall in the Borough. Ah, but note that rain fell, at least in 1968 and 1972, the day after.

The dry Rain Day in 1946 was blamed, not on Leap Year, but on Daylight Savings Time. Rain was reported falling in the western part of the county all evening and storm clouds were reported heading towards Waynesburg. Afraid that the sprinkles wouldn't arrive until after midnight, the borough council even offered to go into emergency session and declare the town back on Standard Time. But the council members were too late and it finally rained a few hours into July 30.

In 1949, Waynesburg hosted a

large Rain Day parade with 30 fire companies participating. It was hoped the parade would get rained out. It didn't. Like the year before, rain failed to show and the big celebration was dampened, excuse the pun, by sunny skies.

After trying a big celebration, the town tried another tactic, preferring to host a quiet affair in 1950 and 1951. But again, rain failed to appear, making 1948-1951 the longest dry spell on July 29 since records have been kept.

Rain Day Prophet John Daily offered his own explanation in 1965. That year, the bet had been made with television personality John Charles Daly of "What's My Line?" Daily decided betting with a man with the same name had jinxed the weather, especially since clouds had appeared overhead all day.

In 1975 and 1982 the traditional Rain Day hat wager was made with the same person — Pittsburgh weather forecaster Bob Kudzuma. His forecast for clear, sunny skies won him the bet.

It didn't rain in 1930 either, but that was to be expected since there was a severe nationwide drought that year. Rain would have been a welcome sight, and not only on July 29.

Of course, why it didn't rain last year is anybody's guess. Waynesburg residents are just hoping it's not a pattern that will continue this year.

County Court Refuses To Dismiss Prostitution Charges

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Court rejected Monday a motion to dismiss charges of prostitution brought against a Charleroi man who provided female entertainers for a local tavern.

David Kawelkewicz, 34, was arrested by state police on April 3 for incidents which occurred at the Twin Angel Tavern in Jefferson Township on Feb. 19. His attorney, Herman J. Bigi, filed the motion to quash on the contention that the complaint was defective in that it did not charge an indictable offense and also because it did not contain the required affidavit

of probable cause. In his opinion, Judge Glenn Toothman noted that the complaint states that the defendant did "unlawfully, knowingly or intentionally promote prostitution of another" and also states that he "did solicit a person to patronize a prostitute."

"We find that the language is sufficient to apprise the defendant of the specific charges ... and provide a reasonable basis upon which the defendant can prepare his defense," the opinion states.

It also notes that the affidavit of probable cause was made before the

magistrate on the same date the complaint was entered. "The record does not show whether it was served with the copy of the complaint and warrant of arrest, but what is known and shown on the record fully satisfies the requirements of the rule," it states.

In other court action Monday, Judge Glenn Toothman received motions from the attorney representing John Balsamo of Waynesburg asking for a writ of habeas corpus and for reduction of bond.

Balsamo, who faces charges of delivery of cocaine and solicitation to commit arson, is presently being held

in the Greene County jail in lieu of \$220,000 bail.

Attorney Robert C. Brady contends that Balsamo is being held illegally because the commonwealth failed to establish a prima facie case to justify the charges. He also contends that his illegal restraint and the amount of the bond is preventing him from operating his pizza shop to provide the income needed by his wife and five children.

A hearing on both motions will be scheduled.

Following a court hearing, Toothman directed that a shotgun con-

fiscated last year by state police be returned to James Robert Craig of Mt. Morris R.D.1, who testified that it was one of four guns stolen from his home in 1980.

The hearing was held on a petition by Richard Allen Eddy of Dilliner R.D.1 asking that the gun be returned to him so that he could return it to John Blosser, the person who had loaned it to him.

Police confiscated the gun in October of last year after Craig spotted the firearm in Eddy's position at a turkey shoot at the Mt. Morris Sportsmen's Club. Eddy was charged with

oblitering the serial numbers from a firearm, but the charge was subsequently dropped.

Blosser testified at the hearing that he had purchased the shotgun for \$350 in 1981. Eddy's attorney argued that the gun was seized illegally and it should be returned to his client or left in the possession of state police until the question of ownership could be decided through a civil suit.

While ruling that the shotgun be returned to Craig, Judge Toothman stayed execution of the order for 10 days to permit Eddy's attorney to file additional motions.

Several Countians To Go To Jail For Heart Assn.

WAYNESBURG — Once again, the Southwestern Pennsylvania Heart Association will participate in Waynesburg's July 29th Rain Day activities with its Jail Bail benefit.

Members of the community will be placed in the Jail Bail cell to be

located in front of the Greene County Courthouse and will have to urge friends and passersby to donate toward the bail needed for their release. The money raised will be used to help fight heart disease through the Heart Association's research, educa-

tion and community service programs.

The Jail Bail will be held from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. Saturday as part of the two-day Rain Day activities in the courthouse area.

Greg Hook, a member of the Greene County Steering Committee for the Heart Association and Jail Bail event chairman, said pledges towards an individual's bail, or a donation to keep the person in jail, also may be phoned in. The "prisoners" in the jail cell will have access to telephones from which they can call to obtain the necessary pledges to gain their release. The telephone number in the Jail Bail cell will be 627-7989.

Hook said the Jail Bail is a fundraising event involving the community and prominent citizens who will be placed behind "bars" and cannot be released until they have raised their "bail."

Prisoners who will be trying to raise their bail will include Greene County Deputy Clerk of Courts Shirley Stockdale and the new superintendent of the Waynesburg State Correctional Institute for Women, Margaret Moore.

Others will be John Gardner, Dan Bailey, Dave Coder, Tom Hill, Rusty Rice, Allen Nixdorf, Mary McCann, Dick Cowan, Pete Carlson, J. Victor Carlson, John Hardisty, Karl Baily, John Blosser, Bob Sonneborn, Bill Hook, Valerie Cole, Dave Arnold, Jim Harris and Bill Connor.



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School Lunch Policy Changes Announced

Changes in the 1984-85 free and reduced price meal policy for schools in Greene County have been announced.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has determined the following eligibility requirements for family size and income:

A family of one may receive free meals if the income is \$6,474 or lower and reduced price meals if income does not exceed \$9,213; family of two limits are \$8,736 for free meals and \$12,432 for reduced meals; family of three, \$10,998 and \$15,651; family of four, \$13,260 and \$18,870; family of five, \$15,522 and 22,089; family of six, \$17,784 and \$25,308; family of seven, \$20,046 and \$28,527; family of eight, \$22,308 and \$31,746.

Children of parents and guardians who are unemployed, or become unemployed, are eligible for free and reduced price meals during the period of unemployment, provided the period of unemployment causes your family income to fall within the eligibility criteria.

In certain cases foster children are also eligible for those benefits. If families have such children and wish to apply for such meals they should contact the school. They may do so by completing the application forms sent home in a letter to parents. Additional copies are available from the sponsor.

Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. The form requests information that officials need to determine economic need based on the income and number of persons in the family.

Required information includes: social security numbers of household members over 21 years of age, the

signature of the adult responsible for completing the application, the names of all household members and the income of all household members.

If the household income increases or decreases by more than \$50 per month (\$600 per year) or when the household size changes the sponsor must be notified in order to determine a change in eligibility.

The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the determining of eligibility. Neither the names nor the incomes will be released.

The parent must also certify all of the information is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief. The application is made in connection with the receipt of federal funds. Deliberate misrepresentation of information may subject the applicant to prosecution under applicable state and federal criminal statutes.

119th Jacktown Fair, Tradition

WIND RIDGE — The 119th annual Jacktown Fair will begin with a parade at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and continue through Saturday, Aug. 4.

Five girls will be competing for the Miss Jacktown Fair crown and the new queen will be announced from the grandstand immediately following the parade.

Candidates include Jennifer Jones, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Jones of Rogersville; Becky Miller, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Miller of Pine Bank; Rhonda Montgomery, 16, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Montgomery of New Freeport; Tracey Stewart, 16,

daughter of Ms. Sally Gillogly of Holbrook; and Annette Tharp, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donley R. Weaver of Sycamore.

The 1984 winner will be crowned by Nancee Ziefel, the 1983 queen. Miss Ziefel and the contestants will ride in the parade.

Also on Tuesday night, following the parade, there will be a battle of the bands.

Believed to be the oldest continuous fair in the United States, the event draws thousands each year to the hill-top fairgrounds in western Greene County. The shady grounds and friendly, country atmosphere has

Fair Preparation

The 119th edition of the Jacktown Fair at Wind Ridge will get under way tonight with a parade through town to the hilltop fairgrounds. The parade is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. At the grandstand area following the parade, a Miss Jacktown Fair will be selected from five candidates and a battle of the bands will be featured. The fair will continue through Saturday with a grandstand feature each evening. The exhibit halls and livestock barns will be open during the day with the midway attractions open only during the evening hours. Freda Guthrie, seated left, chairman of the home and garden department, records entries from Jean Livingston of Finleyville and her daughter, Robin. Others are department assistants Cindy Jones and Violet "Jake" Wendell, on the right, and Cindy Shough on the left.

Fair Parade Grand Marshals Named

WIND RIDGE — The board of directors for the Jacktown Fair have named Myron Murphy and Gerald Headley as grand marshals for the 1984 Jacktown Fair parade.

The parade will be held in Wind Ridge at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 31, to mark the start of the 119th annual fair, which will run through Saturday, Aug. 4.

Both Murphy and Headley are long-time residents of Wind Ridge and have been very active in community affairs.

Murphy was in charge of parking cars at the fair during the 1940s and 1950s and has painted the outside of fairground buildings for many years. He has been a member of the Richhill

Township Fire Company since it was organized in 1959 and has held many offices in the company. He was the first ambulance driver in 1960 and recalls going on more than 100 calls by himself.

Gerald Headley was the first fire chief of the fire company in 1959 and served with the company for more than 10 years. His wife, "Babe," was the first president of the Ladies Auxiliary which was organized in 1961 with 25 members.

Headley recalls going to Rawland, Ohio, to purchase a used fire truck which was the first piece of equipment owned by the company. He also recalls that the first house fire fought by the company was at the home of Harold Barnhart.

Village Features Unique Structure

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"For reasons still unclear, during the beginning of the protohistoric period most of the few surviving groups of the Monongahela Culture relocated their settlements from the main river valleys to extremely isolated regions nearby, with one of them being on the Foley site.

Archaeology at the Foley farm began in 1972 when the owner contacted the Paul R. Stewart Chapter of the Archaeology Society to report his discovery of unusual broken clay containers and other artifacts. Members of the society conducted excavations at the site for three summers, concentrating on an area which was identified as a village trash disposal site. Herbstritt and the PHMC became

interested in 1982 and conducted their first excavations last year, finding the site where the village had been located. The second year of work has been made possible by a grant from the Mellon Foundation.

Herbstritt said there are a number of theories about what happened to the culture. One of the most prevalent is that epidemic diseases, perhaps caused by indirect contact with the white man, caused widespread death, leading survivors to move on. In his article in "Pennsylvania Heritage," he notes that several theories have been advanced on what happened to the last survivors.

"The final path trod by the Monongahela people will doubtless never be known," he writes. "Some archaeologists and ethnohistorians

favor theories that they moved south to the Potomac Valley and beyond to become the eastern Shawnee of historic times. Others theorize, based on similarities discerned in material things, that the Monongahela were absorbed by the populous and powerful Fort Ancient culture.

"Archaeological investigations undertaken at Foley farm have uncovered samplings of the Monongahela's material culture which have, among other things, proven a long tradition of native technology. There seems to have been very little change in the culture's ceramic, stone, bone and shell industries.

"The traditions span at least six centuries from the Monongahela's

formative stages as a major prehistoric Indian culture of the Upper Ohio Valley to its final phase at the turn of the seventeenth century when these long-lived technologies were eventually eroded by indirect European trade.

"In this case, the resulting acculturation (interaction between two markedly different cultures) was caused by the dominant European culture which caused the subordinate native culture to alter or relinquish most of its traditions.

"From the very beginning, the acculturating trade ventures favored the Europeans, who exchanged worthless trinkets of glass, low grade metals — even foreign diseases — for the natives' valuable furs."



Herbstritt concept of what Indian village at Foley site looked like at its peak

Schools To Get Money For Remedial Program

School districts across the state have been allocated additional money to be used for helping students who do not fare well on a new two-hour competency test to be given to all students in grades three, five and eight.

TELLS or Testing for Essential Learning and Literacy Skills will be given to students the week of Oct. 15 as part of the Gov. Thornburgh's "Pursuit of Excellence in Education" program.

According to Tim Potts of the Pennsylvania Department of Education, "TELLS will measure the mastery of students' skills in reading and math. It will be scored according to objective standards."

A group of educators devised the goals of the new test and the Charles E. Merrill Publishing Co. was contracted to design the test using its range of validated test items. Test results will become available in late November.

According to Potts, the test will be "more like grading on a numerical scale of 1 to 100. Previously we had used a ... test which is like grading on a curve; students were scored in relation to other students."

Potts said the entire cost of remediation is to be borne by the state. It has not been determined when the money will be sent to the school districts. Basic subsidy payments are made every two months, but the remediation money may be sent as a lump sum to the districts, he said.

Traditional Rain Fails To Appear

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Second place and a \$25 cash prize went to Heather Broadwater, 10, daughter of Gary and Diane Broadwater of Dry Tavern. Her umbrella featured many ducks and used the theme, "Rain of Ducks." Nathan Gayman, three-year-old son of Jim and Donna Gayman received \$10 for third place with his umbrella which was in the shape of a big, fluffy yellow duck.

In the children's art contest sponsored by the Bowly Public Library, Jessica Vraber won first place with Heather Ann Dinich second in the kindergarten to first grade category. Martha Holste was first and Kristan Nelson second in the two to three year old class. Emily Krill placed first and Amy Headlee second in the four to six year old class.

In events sponsored by the Waynesburg Recreation Board and its Central Playground staff, Brett Fuller's frog "Hank" won the top prize in the frog jumping contest. Second place went to Brett's sister Joni with her entry "Daisy." Duane Arbogast and Keith Rishell won third and fourth respectively.

In the strong kid contest, Tammy Kiger, 7, Bobbie Shultz, 12, and Martin Robinson, 10, all placed first in their age categories. The turtle race was canceled for lack of entries.

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Crane Company Proposal Unexpected But Welcome

The Greene County commissioners were pleasantly surprised last week, to say the least, when an official of a major company literally walked in off the street and told them the firm would like to move into the county.

The commissioners indicated they would roll out the red carpet to welcome the multi-million dollar Anthony Crane Rental Co. and its 250 jobs, mentioning possible tax breaks and other incentives they would be prepared to consider to make the move as attractive as possible.

The commissioners had no advance notice that Anthony Crane Vice President Nicholas Ludi would be at their weekly meeting and his proposal was completely unexpected. Normally when a company contemplates such a move it contacts industrial development organizations and negotiations are conducted outside the glare of public attention until details are finalized.

Ludi explained that his company wants to move because it has encountered zoning problems at its present location on Route 21 east of Uniontown. A citizens' group known as Concerned Citizens of Barsingh have appealed a decision by the Fayette County commissioners to re-zone a 10-acre tract around Anthony's headquarters to permit the construction of an additional building and a heliport. Ludi said the company isn't prepared to wait for the three years of litigation it could take to resolve the problem.

Because of the way the approach was made, there is a gnawing feeling that Ludi was hoping that the inevitable publicity would apply pressure in Fayette County for withdrawal of the zoning change appeal.

At the same time, however, a location at the Greene County Airport and its adjoining industrial part would have to have appeal. The company has three planes which are now located at the Connellyville Airport, a considerable distance from its plant. At Waynesburg its aircraft hangar could be located next to its headquarters and it would have ready access to Interstate 79 for the movement of its heavy equipment.

The county commissioners said they will have Greene County Industrial Developments follow up on Ludi's proposal in the hope that the company means business about moving and can be brought into the county.

If GCID is successful, it would be a welcome boost to the economy.

Faces From The Past-Do You Recognize Them?



This was the scene at Bert Wade's blacksmith shop in Mt. Morris during a lazy summer afternoon in 1911.

Fact and Folklore
 John O'Hara

The antique car show held last Sunday at the Greene County Fairgrounds stirred pleasant memories of some senior citizens of Waynesburg's own heritage of fine automobiles in the early days of the industry.

Few towns of 5,000 population of less could boast of the high percentage of car ownership, especially in the higher priced field, in those early days when the automobile was still a rarity.

A contributing factor to this distinction was the affluence of many individuals due to the sale of coal lands, a strong cash flow from the newly-developed oil and gas fields, and a steady income from the sale of wool — then the county's most valuable farm product.

It was long since generally agreed among many unofficial historians of the automobile in Greene County that the first car owner was the late E.B. Throckmorton, more intimately known as "Zeke."

Always an ingenious individual with highly progressive ideas and alertness, he was an organizer of one of the county's first telephone companies — all of which were locally owned — and came by his interest in the new fangled horseless carriages naturally.

If the rapidly dimming scuttlebut of that day isn't too far wrong, the impression is that the first car was a mail order job from Sears, Roebuck. It was shipped by freight and had to be assembled here.

The most celebrated early automobile owner had to be the late Barney Grossman, who operated a men's clothing store on the northwest corner of Main and Washington Street at the same spot where Mickey's Men's Shop is now located.

Grossman was a native of New York City bus is reputed to have become a part of the local community in short order, and quite possibly was also the first store owner to be so daring as to buy a car.

He didn't drive it himself but hired the late Tom Corwin, then a mere youth, to drive for him, likely making Tom the town's first paid chauffeur.

Practically of the early doctors, all of whom made house calls routinely, welcomed the automobile from the very first as a relief from the much slower horse and buggy.

Medical men whose names come quickly to mind as having cars for use in their profession include the late Dr. G. M. Scott, Dr. H. C. Scott, who was known for years as "Young Dr. Scott" to distinguish him from his older colleague, Dr. Brock, Dr. T.N. Milliken, Dr. Charles W. Spragg, Dr. Norris, Dr. James Knox and his close friend, Dr. Frank Ullom.

One of the very finest cars in town was the big, highly impressive Winton Six of the Hoskinson family, whose home was in the brick structure on South Morris Street which later provided a home for the American Legion.

Because of its elegance it was eagerly sought for use by brides to be driven to church weddings. It would be worth a small fortune for anyone who had it today.

Among the very finest passenger cars in town was the White touring car owned by the William Zahniser family, who resided on South Washington Street. Mr. Zahniser and his brother John operated the Zahniser Machine Shop and Foundry which specialized in repairing oil and gas field machinery.

Naturally they insisted on the best cars — from a mechanical standpoint — that money could buy. John Zahniser was a Packard man of the Detroit Packard variety and owned one when he died. Wimmiam's White touring model wound up in the antique car collection of Jimmy Melton, the opera singer and movie star.

Electrically powered cars, which periodically are touted as the answer to gasoline shortages, also enjoyed brief popularity in the early days of the automobile industry, and one of them made an appearance in Waynesburg back before World War I.

It was owned by Fred Georing, a musical genius from Germany who had been a concert artist and a composer of classical music. He once hand crafted a fine piano which was sold to the Frank Black family.

The eccentric musician played and composed much better than he composed. While electric cars were slow and stately and considered safe for just about everyone, Georing managed to overturn his vehicle two or three times before he became a pedestrian for the rest of his life. Before going to the county home, he lived alone for many years on the second floor of the old Elms Brothers planing mill which stood on the site of the present Avalon Court apartment for the elderly.

Many townspeople, particularly teen-age boys, could identify practically every car owner with the make of his car. For instance, the late Dr. T. N. Milliken wore out two or three air-cooled Franklins which are long gone now.

Buicks were the best seller in Waynesburg in the era when automobile ownership was restricted to the affluent, before lightweight, low priced cars came along to put them within the reach of the average man.

Fayette County Firm May Move To Greene County

WAYNESBURG — The vice president of a multi-million-dollar company located in Fayette County met with the county commissioners Thursday to explore the possibility of moving the firm's operation to Greene County.

Nick Ludi said Anthony Crane Rental Co. is looking to move from the Uniontown area because zoning problems are blocking plans for expansion at their present location on Route 21 in Menellan Township.

"We are looking at several possibilities, but we would prefer to relocate in Greene County if a suitable site is available and satisfactory arrangements can be made," he said.

He said the company currently has 250 employees but would be adding more people with completion of the proposed expansion. In addition to the main office at Uniontown, the firm has operations in Florida and Texas.

"We are hoping to become the largest company of our kind in the country," he said.

Ideally, a location at or near the Greene County Airport would be preferable, Ludi said, since the company has three airplanes and a helicopter. In addition, that location would give them immediate access to the interstate highway system for moving their heavy equipment.

Ludi said the company would require at least two buildings as well as a large hangar at the airport.

He explained that the company has been operating at its present location under a "grandfather's clause" in the Fayette County zoning ordinance. Just recently, he said, they were successful in persuading the Fayette County commissioners to rezone the area for heavy industrial use to permit them to erect a new building and a heliport. But adjoining property owners have filed an appeal which presents the probability of a lengthy legal fight with an uncertain outcome.

"It has cost us \$100,000 in the last six months and we've decided that the best answer is to move," he said.

The commissioners, who had no advance notice of the proposal, said they would be willing to cooperate in every way possible. They referred Ludi to George K. Stennett, executive director of Greene County Industrial Developments, Inc., who met with Ludi to set up further meetings to explore possible locations for the firm.

In action at the meeting, the com-

missioners appointed Bret L. Watson, 22, Holbrook R.D.1, as a communicator for the 1911 emergency telephone and radio system based at state police headquarters. His appointment fills a vacancy created by the resignation of John Keenan.

They said that Watson, a 1984 graduate of West Virginia Wesleyan College with a major in government, was one of 11 applicants for the job. He was employed at the starting salary provided in the union contract.

With completion of renovation of the third floor of the County Office Building, the commissioners are moving their offices and those of their staff from its present location on the first floor.

They said that the first floor space now occupied by the chief clerk and their other employees will be occupied next week by District Attorney Charles Morris and his staff, who are now located on the second floor of the Old County Office Building. The Veterans Administration office will be moved from the fifth floor of the old building to one of the other rooms on the third floor of the new building, but no definite plans have been made as yet for relocation of other offices to the third floor.

between the bookends
 by marcia mckenna biddle

Back in 1901, the big controversy was not whether the vice president was qualified to become president. He had, after all, the good sense to become a war hero first. The only remaining question, then, was whether or not he was too young for it.

Finley Peter Dunne, humorous columnist of the Chicago Evening Post at that time, gave his views on the subject through his fictitious Irish bartender, Mr. Dooley.

The newspapers, said Mr. Dooley, were wondering whether the man he insisted on calling "Tiddy Rosenfelt" was old enough for the responsibilities of the office. "Tiddy isn't afraid, but a good many ar-re," Dooley said, "that a man iv only forty-two or three, who hasn't lost a tooth, an' maybe has gained a few, a mere child, who ought to be playin' mibs or 'Run, sheep, run,' at Oyster Bay, will not be able to conduct th' business iv Gover'mint with th' proper amount of infirmity."

For instance, "Some day whin th' cabinet hobbles in to submit a gr-great question of foreign policy," the president might be out back playin' catch. "He'll have a high chair at the table an' drink th' health iv his guests in milk an' water," and other such outrages. "But what can ye expect from a kid iv forty-two?" Dooley wondered.

Dooley named other youngsters as examples: Alexander the Great "was on'y fourteen whin he conkered Boolgahyra, Caesar was jus' fr'm business college whin he put Mark Antony out iv the business. Frederick th' Great was in skirts whin he done whatever he done, and Fox an' Pitt was in compound fractions whin they went on the Council."

Dooley then asserted that the members of the Supreme Court were also too young, and were in danger of losing the respect of the nation because of it. "Many of the members was not pristin whin th' constitution was signed," he complained, "an' so don't know anything about it."

Well, Mr. Dooley concluded, "A man is old enough to vote whin he can vote, he's old enough to work whin he can work. An' he's old enough to be president whin he becomes president. If he ain't, 'twill age him."

True enough. And in another column Dooley went on to define the vice-presidency and its duties. "Th' vice-prisidncy isn't a crime exactly," he said. "Ye can't be sint to jail fr it, but it's a kind iv a disgrace. It's like writin' anonymous letters."

a man cud put in four years comfortably in th' place if he was a sound sleeper."

During the campaign, "Th' candydate fr prisidint is at home pickin' out th' big words in th' dictionary an' firin' thim at us fr'm time to time. Th' candydate fr the vice-prisidncy is out in loway yellin' fr'm the back iv a car. He goes to all the wakes an' church affairs an' appears at public meetin's between a cornet solo an' a glee club."

If elected, "Th' ilitors call on th' candydate fr prisidint an' hand him th' office. They notify th' candydate fr vice-prisidnt through th' personal columns iv th' papers."

All the vice-president was supposed to do then was to preside over the deliberations of the Senate. He is required to "rigorously enforce th' Sinit rules. There are none. Th' Sinit is ruled by courtesy, like th' longshoreman's union. Th' vice-prisidnt is not expected to butt in much.

"All that his grateful country demands fr'm th' man that she has illivated to this proud position on th' toe iv her boot is that he shall keep his opynions to himself."

And if that won't "age him," or her, nothing will.

Letterbox
Thank You For Caring

Our prisoners of war and missing in action were honored for the second successful year in a midnight candlelight service in front of the courthouse last Saturday.

The dedicated members of the Greene County Veteran's Outreach and the Foundation for the Accountability of POWs and MIAs are responsible for this impressive ceremony.

Those of us who have felt for many years that the sacrifices made by our loved ones have gone unnoticed and unappreciated, have been given renewed hope and faith in humanity by these compassionate people.

God bless all of you and thank you for showing us someone else cares.

Sincerely yours,
 Mrs. Laura J. Rein
 Waynesburg, Pa.

Letterbox

No Burnout For This Volunteer

Last summer, I was asked by my friend Archie Trader to serve on a United Way committee.

I found it impossible to say "No!" to Archie because he's such a good friend, so I agreed, but with reservation. Although Archie assured me the job would only require several hours, I was certain I had jumped head first into a hornet's nest.

I was amazed to find after several short meetings, the task was accomplished. It was then I learned the United Way has a simple solution to the problem of "burnout." In fact, it's so simple, I'm surprised it hasn't been used before.

Here it is: "Give a volunteer worker a simple task and then do not allow him/her the opportunity to take on any added responsibility."

If used properly, this formula will assure the volunteer will be back next year, eager to assist. We might not set a record, but we'll pave the way for next year, and the next year and the next.... A string of good years are worth a lot more than just one, super year that leaves a trail of burned out workers.

This spring, Archie asked me again to serve on the United Way

Letterbox

Thank You For Festival

To The Editor: I would like to take this opportunity to thank Brad Kline and the rest of the Rices Landing Volunteer Fire Department for such a wonderful River Festival.

Few people realize the amount of planning and preparation that goes into such an endeavor. They did a fantastic job and deserve to be very proud of themselves.

I'm looking forward to next year. The people who missed it this year should not miss it next year.

Donna Moredock,
 Rices Landing

team, but this time he asked me to be the vice chairman of the Community Division in the Waynesburg area.

My job will be to recruit team captains and assist them in recruiting solicitors. Each captain will recruit only five solicitors and each solicitor will make contact with only five prospects of his/her choice.

The more captains we recruit, the more solicitors we will have to make personal contacts. The success of the campaign depends on the number of contacts made by the solicitors.

Each year, the local public service agencies are getting less and less from Uncle Sam. It is our job to help fill the void. I am therefore requesting your help in organizing a Waynesburg community campaign team. Like Archie promised me, I'll promise you, "No more than six hours work between now and Oct. 1."

Please drop me a note or call me at home 627-5517 or at work 627-3196. Please say "yes" when you call ... a lot of people are depending on our help.

The training session for captains will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 3, in the United Way office on the second floor of the Waynesburg Borough Building. The training session will last for only an hour.

Yours truly,
 Mike Mulholland
 215 Bowby Street

TUALP To Hold Public Meeting

WAYNESBURG — The Trade Union Alliance for a Labor Party (TUALP) will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday in the social hall at St. Ann Church in Waynesburg.

Guest speaker will be a representative of the British National Union of Mineworkers, who will discuss the six-month-long strike of British coal miners and their campaign for support in the American labor movement.

Earnings Set Record For ALLTEL

HUDSON, Ohio — ALLTEL Corp., parent company of ALLTEL of Pennsylvania which provides telephone service to Greene County, has reported that revenues, net income and earnings per share for the second quarter of 1984 were the highest of any corresponding period in the company's history.

Earnings for the three-month period ending on June 30 of 76 cents per average common share set a second-quarter record. They were up 13 percent from last year's 67 cents per share.

Net income applicable to common shares increased 18 percent of \$14.4 million, up from \$12.2 million a year ago. Telephone operating revenues for the period were \$123.6 million — a 12 percent increase from 1983's second quarter of \$110.3 million.

In the first six months of 1984, ALLTEL earned \$1.47 per share, up 11 percent from last year's first half of \$1.32 to set a new first half record.

ALLTEL, headquartered at Hudson, Ohio, is one of the nation's major telecommunications holding companies with telephone operating subsidiaries in 19 midwestern, eastern and southern states serving approximately 1.3 million telephones with more than 850,000 customer lines.

Trip To Cedar Point Planned

WAYNESBURG — The Greene County Department of Parks and Recreation will sponsor a one-day trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky, Ohio, on Saturday, Aug. 18.

The air-conditioned coach will leave the parking lot behind the County Office Building, Waynesburg, at approximately 6:30 a.m. It will leave the park for the return trip at 7 p.m., arriving in Waynesburg at approximately 11:30 p.m.

The cost of \$28 per person includes bus fare and admission to Cedar Point. Pre-registration is required, with the fee due on or before Friday, Aug. 10.



MRS. ROBERT GRIM

Headley, And Grim Are Wed

WIND RIDGE — Michele Jane Headley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen H. Headley of Wind Ridge, and Robert C. Grim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Grim of Graysville, were married Saturday, June 23, 1984.

Nuptial vows were exchanged at 4:30 p.m. in the Fairview United Methodist Church, Graysville, with the Rev. Robert Gumbert officiating at the double-ring ceremony. Susie Jackson was the pianist and Sharlene Lucey, the soloist.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She wore a full-length gown of white polyester sheer lined in taffeta, fashioned with a standup Victorian collar with an illusion yoke of lace accented with pearls, full bishop-pleated sleeves ending in lace-trimmed cuffs, and a full skirt with long, chapel train.

Her lace-trimmed veil of illusion and blusher were attached to a matching headpiece trimmed in pearls. She carried a bouquet of red, white and pink roses.

Debbie Phillips, sister of the bridegroom, attended the bride as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Dorothy Finnegan, Diane Campbell, Jamie Hubbs and Babs Headley. They work pink gowns and carried roses.

Doug Grim served as his brother's best man. Ushers were Kevin Jackson, Kevin Campbell, Denny McCracken and Ray Burns.

Amanda Phillips, niece of the bridegroom, and Nile Burns were the flower girl and ringbearer, respectively.

A reception was held in the exhibition hall at the Jacktown Fairgrounds. Chris Grim attended the guest book.

Following a wedding trip, the newlyweds are residing at Graysville R.D.1. The bridegroom will enter the U.S. Air Force on Aug. 31.

Countians Named To Dean's List

Several students from Greene County were among those named to the Dean's List at Indiana University of Pennsylvania for the second semester of the 1984-85 academic year.

They are: Susan J. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson Jr. of Greensboro Star Route, a marketing major; Brian S. Sommers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sommers of Waynesburg, an economics major; Jeffrey J. Albert, son of Thomas B. Albert of Waynesburg R.D.3, a chemistry major.

And Cynthia J. Gapen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Gapen of Waynesburg R.D.1, a chemistry major; Jennifer L. Headlee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Headlee of Waynesburg, a dietetic major; and Matthew E. Majernik, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Majernik of Waynesburg R.D.3, a majoring in management information systems.



ENGAGED — Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hull of Cameron Star Route, Waynesburg, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Melinda, to Brian Tanner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tanner of 112 North Maiden Street, Waynesburg. The bride-elect is a 1983 graduate of West Greene High School and is a student at West Virginia Career College, majoring in medical assistance. Her fiance graduated in 1982 from Waynesburg Central High School and is employed by Kirby Sweeper Co. Their wedding is being planned for December 30, 1984.

Jacqueline Cheek And Charles Stoneking Wed

ALEPPO — Jacqueline Cheek and Charles Stoneking exchanged marriage vows in a ceremony Saturday, July 14, 1984, in the Centellian Church of God.

Pastor Dennis Dawson officiated at the double-ring ceremony. Dee Eisiminger, sister of the bride, was the soloist, accompanied on the acoustic guitar by Gary D'Angelo. Linda Braun of New Freeport was the pianist.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wylie Cheek of Aleppo. The bridegroom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Stoneking of Nettle Hill.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She chose a floor-length gown of white chiffon and silk venice lace accented with pearls and sequins. It was designed with a V-neckline and long, fitted sleeves, with an A-line skirt flowing into a chapel train. Her three-tiered veil of illusion was encircled with lace and was held in place with a wreath of lace bows. She carried a cascade bouquet of daisies and carnations tipped in blue and white roses.

Terry Cheek attended her sister-in-law as matron of honor, appearing in a gown of blue taffeta and lace. Bridesmaids were Lori Cheek, sister of the bride, and Kim Torbolo. They wore gowns in pastel blue.

Bill Stoneking served as his brother's best man. Ushers were Richard Cheek, brother of the bride,



MRS. STONEKING

and Tink Eisiminger, brother-in-law of the bride.

Chrissy Eisiminger, niece of the bride, and Chuckie Stoneking, son of the bridegroom, served as flower girl and ring bearer. Heather Eisiminger, niece of the bride, attended the guest book.

A reception was held at the Waynesburg VFW with music by "The Boothill Band." Out-of-state guests attended from West Virginia and Indiana.

The newlyweds are residing at New Freeport.

Lynne Renee Speelman Weds Washington Man

Lynne Renee Speelman of Waynesburg and Thomas M. Braun Jr. of Washington were married Saturday, July 21, 1984.

The bride is a daughter of Mrs. Lois P. Speelman of Waynesburg R.D.4. The bridegroom is a son of Dr. Thomas M. Braun of Bentleyville R.D.1.

The double-ring ceremony was performed at 2 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Church of Waynesburg with the Rev. David Barrett officiating. Nelson Fox was the organist and Amy Gernert the soloist.

The bride was given in marriage by her brother. She appeared in a formal-length gown of white sheer organza styled with an empire waistline, bodice of pearl-studded silk Venice lace appliques, high Victorian neckline of schiffli embroidered illusion, sweetheart yoke trimmed with schiffli, bishop sleeves of sheer organza, and deep cuffs with lace trim. The plain skirt and attached train were trimmed with a chantilly lace ruffle, with the train extending into a full chapel sweep.

She wore a lace hat trimmed with silk Venice lace with silk illusion which was designed by her mother. It was scalloped with chiffon and had a blusher veil. She carried a cascade bouquet of stephanotis, lilies of the valley, white philaenopsis orchid, lavender roses and miniature carnations, accented with baby's breath and ivy.

Kristy Murdock of Waynesburg served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Lori Trader of Washington, Hilda Curtis of Washington and Stacey Hewitt of Washington. Junior bridesmaid was Julie Smitley of Waynesburg.

The attendants wore off-shoulder gowns of white chiffon and lavender print covering. They had lavender hats and carried fans of stephanotis, lavender roses and lilies of the valley.

Dr. Braun served as best man for his son. Ushers were Jeff Speelman of Waynesburg, brother of the bride;



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James Braun of Bentleyville, brother of the bridegroom, and Joe Zoretich of Bentleyville. Junior usher was Eric Braun of Washington, son of the bridegroom.

Lindsay Hollowood, niece of the bridegroom, and Jeremy Braun, son of the bridegroom, served as flower girl and ringbearer.

A reception was held at the South Mranklin Social Hall in Washington, with out-of-state guests attending from Maryland, Ohio, Virginia, Michigan, Iowa and Germany. Aides were Mabel Miller of New Freeport and Ellen Winters of Waynesburg.

The bride graduated from Waynesburg Central High School in 1980 and from Waynesburg College in 1983. She is employed as a billing clerk by the Presbyterian Association of the Aging in Washington.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Bentworth High School and the Opticians Institute, Pittsburgh. He is employed as manager-optician by DuBois Optical in Washington.

Following a wedding trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C., the newlyweds will reside in Washington.

Mary Louise Smalara, Morgantown Man Wed

St. Hugh Church in Carmichaels was the setting for the Saturday, July 14, 1984, wedding of Mary Louise Smalara and Craig William Collins. The Rev. Ralph V. Stack officiated the ceremony. Stan Ferek was organist and Sue Vertosik, cousin of the bride, was soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Alfred and Ann Smalara of Carmichaels. The bridegroom is the son of William and Karen Collins of Morgantown, W.Va.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown which featured a satin underskirt with an embroidered sheer organza overlay, fitted bodice and Juliet sleeves. Her headpiece was a fingertip veil and blusher attached to a half-wreath of flowers. She carried a silk bouquet of white roses and ivy.

Laura Biddle was maid of honor. Bridesmaids, attired in blue taffeta, were Regina and Susan Smalara, sisters of the bride, and Linda Osborne and Kim Tekavec.

David Collins served as his brother's best man. Ushers were Frank and David Smalara, brothers of the bride, and Brad Russell and Rick Barr.

Following the ceremony, a reception for 180 guests was held at the



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Shady Side Inn, Uniontown.

The bride is a 1979 graduate of Carmichaels Area High School and a 1983 graduate of West Virginia University. Her husband is a 1979 graduate of Morgantown High School and a 1984 graduate of West Virginia University. He is employed by Merrill Lynch Realty Co., Charlotte, N.C.

After a wedding trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C., the couple will reside in Charlotte.

J-M Board Names New Coach, Head Teachers

JEFFERSON — The Jefferson-Morgan School Board Monday night elected a new head wrestling coach, re-named head teachers, and took the first step to removed a deed reversion clause on the old Chartiers elementary school building to allow the district to dispose of the property.

On a unanimous vote, the board elected Alan Rafial as head wrestling coach for the 1984-85 season. Rafial, a teacher in the district who had been an assistant wrestling coach, replaces Tony Barbetta who had held the head coaching job for the past four years.

The coaching position had been declared open following conclusion of the wrestling season last year. Barbetta had applied for the job but withdrew his name in a letter read at the meeting Monday night. Rafial's salary was set at \$1,400. The board also elected Ronald Headlee, a substitute teacher in the district, to fill one of the two assistant wrestling coaching positions.

The board approved Stephen Yourchick as head teacher for the junior-senior high school and Charles Braden, head elementary teacher. They held the same positions during the past school year.

Anne E. D'Antonio of Jefferson was hired as a special education teacher for the junior-senior high school. Her salary was set at \$14,035.

The board authorized Solicitor C. Robert McCall to petition the Greene County Court for relief from a deed restriction in the form of a reversion clause on the district's old Chartiers elementary school building and property to allow the district to dispose of the facility.

The property was acquired for school use in the 1860s with the provision that it would revert to the property owner or his heirs if it ceased to be used as a school facility. No heirs of the owner can be found and the district would like to dispose of the building which was no longer

used for classes in the mid-1970s, but continued to be used for storage until about 1980.

New textbooks selected by the teaching staff and administration were approved for typing, ninth and 10th grade health, trigonometry, calculus, and theatre and drama, which is a new course for the 1984-85 school year.

The board approved a contract award to supply the district with a tractor with various attachments

from Goslin Sales and Service of Dry Tavern on their bid of \$9,854.

Superintendent Kenneth Macek reported the 1984-85 school term will begin with a teacher in-service day on Friday, Aug. 24. The first day of classes will be Monday, Aug. 27. Macek said the in-service day will include a state sponsored session on discipline in the classroom which was requested by members of the Jefferson-Morgan Professional Association.



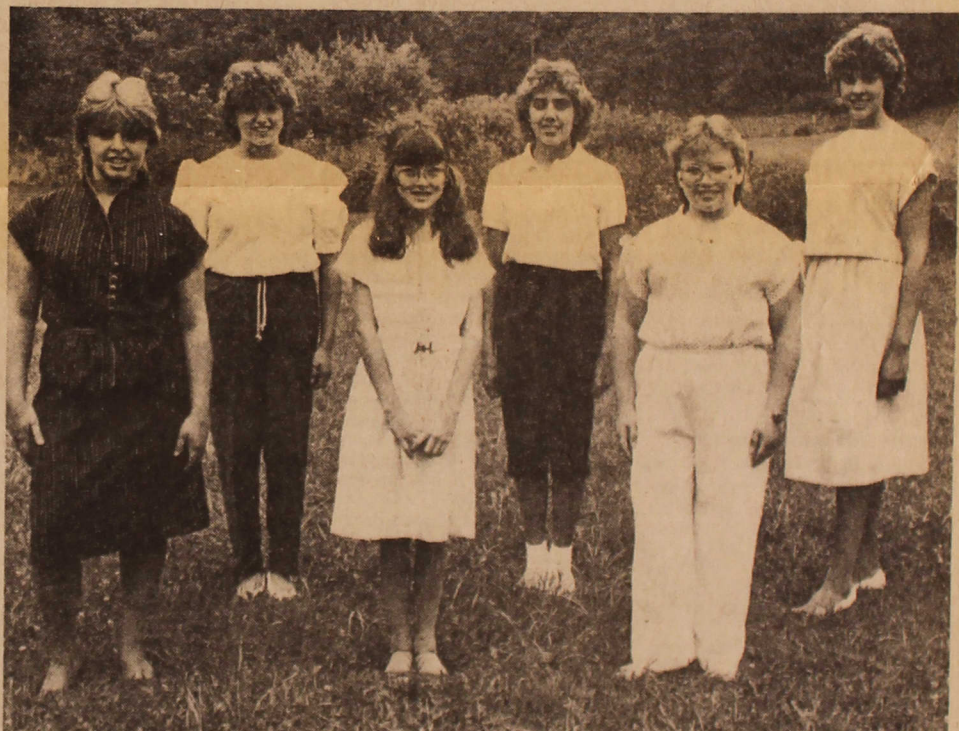
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Looking For Rain?

A Rain Day celebration can never be "dampened" by inclement weather, but this year stormy weather apparently was not in the clouds for Waynesburg. The caps crowned by the Rain Day symbol cast shadows on the wall, as did the sun visor worn Sunday by a man who looks as though he was looking for rain.

Man Arrested

WAYNESBURG — State police reported the arrest Wednesday morning of Larry Mark Allum, 22, of Dilliner R.D.1, on seven counts of burglary and two counts of theft.



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4-H Fashion Revue

The 1984 Greene County 4-H Fashion Revue was held Tuesday at the East Franklin Grange Hall, Waynesburg. Blue ribbon winners were selected in both a junior and senior division, with senior division winners eligible for the Regional 4-H Fashion Revue to be held Friday at Monroeville Mall. Junior division winners in the picture above, from left, are Candy Jones, Spraggs Stitcheroos Club; Tracey Nixdorf, East Franklin Sew 'n Sew Club; Dawn McDougal, Stitcheroos; Denise Rutan, Sycamore Stitchettes; Missy Martin, Sew 'n Sew Club; and Valerie Kerr, Carmichaels Pin 'n Needles Club. Senior division winners in the picture below, from left, are Marcy Morgan, Joni Rush, Lorna Varner, Vicki Sue LaCount, Lauren Patterson, and Amy Osso all from the East Franklin Sew 'n Sew Club.



Greene County Obituaries

Marie Clendenning

Mrs. Marie Clendenning, 88, of the United Methodist Home in Pittsburgh, formerly of Waynesburg, died Saturday, July 28, 1984. Although in failing health, her death was unexpected.

She was born December 28, 1895, in Versailles, a daughter of Edmund E. and Livia Jane MacDonald Schellhase.

She was a 1912 graduate of Uniontown High School and attended the Waynesburg College School of Music and School of Business.

She was married March 31, 1926, to Dr. W.B. Clendenning who died in 1983.

A resident of Waynesburg since 1917, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Emerald Chapter 135 of the Order of the Eastern Star, the White Shrine of Jerusalem, Waynesburg Library Club, American Legion Auxiliary of James Farrel Post, Ladies Auxiliary to the Greene County Medical Society, Chautauqua Women's Club of Chautauqua, N.Y. and the Daughters of Ruth Class at the First United Methodist Church.

Surviving is a son, Dr. William E. Clendenning of 7 Pleasant Street, Hanover, N.H., and four grandchildren.

She was the last of her immediate family.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, August 26, in the First United Methodist Church in Waynesburg.

Arrangements are being handled by the Behm Funeral Homes Inc. in Waynesburg.

Goldie H. Wright

Goldie H. Wright, 94, of Waynesburg R.D.2, formerly of Wind Ridge, died at 3:55 p.m. Thursday, July 26, 1984, following a long illness.

She was born May 4, 1890, in Richhill Township, a daughter of William Madison and Katherine Kent Hughes. In 1910, she married Roscoe E. Wright, who died in 1949.

Mrs. Wright was a retired postmaster at Wind Ridge, a position she held for 26 years. She and her husband also owned and operated a grocery store at Wind Ridge for many years.

Mrs. Wright was a member of the Wind Ridge Christian Church, Aleppo Grange, Emerald Chapter 135, Order of the Easter Star, Warrior Trail Association, and Ladies Auxiliary to Greene County Memorial Hospital.

She was the last of her immediate family.

Surviving are one niece, Katherine Horn, of Tavernier, Fla.; two grandnieces, Rosalie Hamilton, of Wind Ridge, and Lind Popelli, of Winston-Salem, N.C.; two grandnephews, William J. Hughes, of Spokane, Wash., and Mike Horn, of Winston-Salem, N.C.; and two great-nieces and five great-nephews.

Deceased are on son, Kenneth, two sisters, Jennie Kuhn and Lulu McCracken, two brothers, Floren and Burt Hughes, and two grandchildren.

Kenneth Paul Yeager

Kenneth Paul Yeager, 52, of Waynesburg R.D.4 was dead of an apparent heart attack upon arrival at Greene County Memorial Hospital at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 28, 1984.

He was born June 1, 1932, in Waynesburg, a son of Hattie Crouser Yeager of Waynesburg R.D.5 and the late Thomas Yeager.

All of his life was spent in Greene County as a farm laborer. He was most recently employed by Reed Huffman.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are five daughters, Mrs. Linda Tolley, Mrs. John (Debra) Stagers and Shelia Yeager, all of Waynesburg R.D.5, Mrs. Ronald (Karen) McMasters of Waynesburg and Patricia Yeager of Waynesburg R.D.4; five sons, Kenneth Jr., Roger, William, Randy and Tony, all of the Waynesburg area; 15 grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Kenneth (Norma) Cox of Waynesburg R.D.4 and two brothers, Donald of Pine Bank R.D.2 and Ivan of Waynesburg R.D.5.

A brother, William, is deceased.

George A. Booth

George Adin Booth, 59, of Natchez, Mississippi, and formerly of Rogersville, died Tuesday, July 17, 1984. Services were held July 19, 1984 in Natchez.

He was born in Hundred, W.Va., a son of Fred H. Booth of Rogersville, and the late Pearl Harn Booth.

Mr. Booth was a veteran of World War II, discharged from service after receiving serious injuries in the Battle of the Bulge. He received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

He retired from the Armstrong Rubber Co. in 1962 and was a member of the Jefferson Avenue Methodist Church of Natchez.

Surviving are his wife, Hannah; two daughters, Martha B. Francis of Las Vegas, Nev., Marjorie B. Lewis of Birmingham, Ala.; three grandchildren; his father and step-mother, Fred H. and Mary C. Booth of Rogersville; two brothers, Willis H. Booth of Wesleyville, S. Wayne Booth of Berlin; two sisters, Mrs. Violeta Fletcher of Beaver Falls, Mrs. Martha Mitchell of Houston; and a step-brother, LaVern Anthony of Rogersville.

Anne G. Levine

Anne Gilbert Levine, 55, of 557 Ross Street, Waynesburg, was pronounced dead of an apparent heart attack at 8 a.m. Saturday, July 28, 1984.

She was born September 18, 1928, in Spartansburg, S.C., a daughter of Clarence W. and Roic Kimbrell Gilbert.

Her early life was spent in South Carolina. She moved to Waynesburg in 1946.

Mrs. Levine was a member of the Washington Street United Methodist Church and was formerly employed by Hood Insurance Agency in Washington and First Federal Savings & Loan in Waynesburg.

Surviving are her former husband, Manuel D. Levine; two daughters, Mrs. Tammy Asson of Charlotte, N.C., and Beth Anne of Cincinnati, Ohio; a son, Randy of Buckhannon, W.Va.; two granddaughters, Natalie Anne and Kelley Michelle; three sisters, Mrs. Grace Mabry and Mrs. Devine Davis, both of Spartansburg, and Mrs. Gertrude Burnette of Christeen, S.C.; and three brothers, Milo, William and Winfred, all of Spartansburg.

A sister, Helen, is deceased.

Harry Horwalt

Harry Eugene Horwalt, 56, Dilliner R.D.1, died Tuesday, July 24, 1984 in the West Virginia University Hospital, Morgantown, after a long illness.

He was born October 29, 1927 in Grant Town, W.Va. and had served with the Army during World War II. He was a retired miner and a member of the VFW and American Legion posts at Point Marion.

He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Ann Horwalt; six sons, Harry Horwalt of Point Marion, Raymond Horwalt of Morgantown, Stephen Horwalt of New Geneva, and Robert, David and Timothy Horwalt, all of Dilliner; two daughters, Mrs. Jon (margie) Varesko of Rices Landing and Mrs. Louis (Shirley) Valentine of Nilan; 11 grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Dolly Kelly of Fairmont, W.Va., Mrs. Maxine Gaines of Rivesville, W.Va. and Mrs. Betty Spadaford of Everettsville, W.Va., and a brother, Nelson Horywalt of Pittsburgh.

George Eldon Gregg

George Eldon Gregg, 57, of Waynesburg R.D.3, died at 3 a.m. Thursday, July 26, 1984, in University Hospital, Morgantown, W.Va.

He was born March 21, 1927, at Durbin, W.Va., a son of the late Dr. George W. Gregg and Della Patton Gregg.

Mr. Gregg was a pharmacist at Garber's Drug Store, Carmichaels. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Waynesburg, and had served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He was also a member of the Pennsylvania Pharmaceutical Association, American Museum of Natural History, Greene County Country Club, U.S. Golf Association, and American Legion Post 181, Somerset.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Jane Griffin Gregg, two daughters, Mrs. Paul (Marsha Lynn) Dille, of Westminster, S.C., and Mrs. Peter (Amy Leigh) Cannon, of Pompano Beach, Fla.; one son, David Eric Gregg, of Waynesburg; and one granddaughter, Angela Ashley Dille.

Julia Reposky

Julia Volchko Reposky, 71, of 118 Schroyers Lane, Carmichaels, died Tuesday, July 24, 1984 in Greene County Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

She was born April 9, 1913 in Phillips, Fayette County, a daughter of the late Andrew and Mary Bakos Reposky. She had resided at Carmichaels since 1945 and was a member of St. Hugh's Catholic Church.

Surviving are her husband, John S. Reposky; a son, Andrew J. Reposky of Geneva, Ohio; a foster-daughter, Robert Mayger of Elkhart, Ind.; a granddaughter, Holly Reposky; three sisters, Mrs. Adam (Mary) Prevarnik of Carmichaels, Mrs. Margaret Vavreck of Uniontown and Mrs. Joseph (Katherine) Seitz of Tucson, Ariz., and two brothers, John Volchko of Masonton and Stephen Volchko of San Mateo, Calif.

She was a member of the First Methodist Church, Waynesburg, and the WSCS of the church.

Surviving in addition to her husband, Herald R. Ealy, are one son, Dale R. Ealy, of Waynesburg; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Frank (Edna) Ealy, of Graysville; and one brother, Forney Fordyce, of Claysville.

Deceased are one infant son, one sister, Jennie Devine, and two brothers, Dr. James A. Fordyce and Denny Fordyce.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, August 4, in the First United Methodist Church in Waynesburg.

Arrangements are being handled by the Behm Funeral Homes Inc. in Waynesburg.

Interment will be in the Waynesburg Cemetery.

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Harry V. Boyce

Harry V. Boyce, 91, Carmichaels R.D.1, died at his home Monday, July 30, 1984, after a brief illness.

He was born July 23, 1893, in Belle Vernon, a son of William and Alcinda Wilson Boyce, and had resided in the Carmichaels area for the past 57 years. He was a retired miner who had worked at the Hillman mine of Poland Mines, and also had owned and operated the Whiteley Beach service station.

Mr. Boyce served in the Army during World War I. He was a past commander of the American Legion post, Carmichaels, and was a charter member of Greene Barracks 2783, a World War I veterans' organization.

Surviving are his wife, Gladys Haines Boyce, and several nieces and nephews.

Three brothers, Fred, James and Frank Boyce, are deceased.

Vista M. Jack

Vista M. Jack, 95, of Carmichaels, formerly of Taylortown in Greene County, died at 11:45 p.m. Wednesday, July 25, 1984, in Uniontown Hospital.

She was born October 17, 1888, at Brown, in Harrison County, W.Va., a daughter of Theodore Clay and Melissa Taylor Bennett. Her husband, Andrew McGarvey Jack, died in 1969.

Prior to moving to Taylortown, Mrs. Jack was postmaster at Brown, W.Va. She was a member of the Taylortown Methodist Church and for many years was active in the church and served as church pianist. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star, Masontown.

Surviving are one son, Dr. Roy C. Jack, of Carmichaels; three grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Two children died in infancy.

Ralford Erle Welling

Ralford Erle Welling, 30, of Holbrook R.D.1 was pronounced dead at 12:20 p.m. Sunday, July 29, 1984, in his vehicle near Claylick, the apparent accidental victim of asphyxiation.

He was born September 24, 1953, in Waynesburg, a son of William Robert and Kathleen Raymer Welling of Holbrook R.D.1.

He was a 1972 graduate of West Greene High School and was employed as a carpenter by RAL Building Systems.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, are two brothers, John Welling of South Lebanon, Ohio, and Ronald Welling of Clinton, and a sister, Donna Rodriguez of Key West, Fla.

Countians On Cal State Honor Roll

WAYNESBURG — Thirty-five Greene County students are listed on the dean's list at California University of Pennsylvania for the second semester of the 1983-84 academic year:

Highest Honors — John B. Areford, Carmichaels R.D.1; Dale B. Davis, Clarksville; Donna Frameli, Clarksville; Kimberly Ann Krause, Crucible; Charles Walters, Crucible; Ruth Ann Medency, Prosperity R.D.2; Sherry Bochna, Greensboro R.D.1; Cynthia Mancini, Greensboro R.D.1; Patricia Correll, Holbrook R.D.1; Tyra E. Braden, Jefferson R.D.1; Robert A. Korcheck, Nemaocoin; Christi Roberts, Waynesburg R.D.4; Michael Schreck, Waynesburg R.D.2.

High Honors — Michelle McWilliams, Carmichaels; Robert D. Velencia, Carmichaels; Mary Ann Jordan, Dilliner R.D.1; Sandra S. Lemley, Greensboro; Patricia Williamson, Greensboro; Susan Hathaway, Jefferson; Jeffrey Polander, Jefferson R.D.1; Emil L. Pacl, Nemaocoin; Kevin D. Jones, Pine Bank; James M. Coode, Rices Landing R.D.1; Terry W. King, Waynesburg; Irene E. Kress, Waynesburg R.D.4; Sally Rishell, Waynesburg.

Honors — Cynthia Spears, Bobtown; John E. Hair, Carmichaels R.D.1; Stephen R. McCann, Carmichaels R.D.1; Margaret A. Corazzi, Clarksville R.D.1; Richard Krause, Crucible; Frank S. Gilmer, Jefferson R.D.1; Harlan E. Pust, Jefferson; Thomas Sisler, Rices Landing; Sandra A. Kress, Rogersville.

Area Man Escapes From State Hospital

BRIDGEVILLE — State police in Carnegie said Daniel Mansberry, 31, of Nemaocoin, escaped from Mayview State Hospital.

Mansberry was given a grounds pass and failed to return to his assigned ward. He was reported missing at 12:55 p.m. Saturday.

Police said Mansberry, who was at Mayview on a civil court commitment, was wearing a blue shirt, blue jeans and tennis shoes.

2 Countians Elected To Board Of Directors

Two Washington County residents have been elected to the board of directors of the American Lung Association of Southwestern Pennsylvania.

They are Edward Harris, a Washington accountant, and Lauren Schwerha, health education coordinator for the Community Medical Center of Northwest Washington County.

He's Spread The Word

John O'Hara Is Rain Day's Unofficial Publicity Director

WAYNESBURG — As hundreds of people flock to Waynesburg to take part in a host of events scheduled for the annual Rain Day festivities this weekend, it's hard to believe what makes July 29 so special almost never spread beyond the idle conversation of a few people.

The way Rain Day is heralded in Waynesburg now is a far cry from its observance years ago when it garnered little more attention than a few lines in the back pages of the local paper. And it took a while before some townspeople started taking a bit of pride in their town's unique holiday.

John O'Hara of Waynesburg is the man who first reported on Rain Day and, even when folks thought he was strange to find interest in the weather story, he continued to write about it.

O'Hara admits he was just curious at first to see if any news services out of the area would pick up the story, but you get the feeling he also saw it as a way to put Waynesburg on the map. In his articles he often compared Rain Day to the return of the swallows to Capistrano or to the Punksutawney groundhog. And, it's no secret that O'Hara, who spent his early life in Pittsburgh, later came to love Waynesburg and adopt it as his hometown.

O'Hara started writing sports while he was a student at Waynesburg College, mainly because he saw the job as a way to get into athletic events for free.

His keen eye for a different story lead him to first report on the Rain Day record being kept in a local drug store. In the late 1920s and early 1930s, as local newspapers show, the rainfall phenomenon made it into print with only a few sentences on the back pages.

But the Rain Day story was a natural one for O'Hara whose own life is a collection of humorous events and chance encounters with colorful characters, so the fact few cared to know about Rain Day didn't stop him from

Defending Champion Winner In Annual Rain Day Fun Run

WAYNESBURG — Over 90 runners participated in the annual 6.2-mile Rain Day Fun Run held Saturday evening under the sponsorship of the Greene County Department of Parks and Recreation.

Defending champion Paul Jost of Washington County retained his crown when he covered the course in

First Antique Vehicle Show Deemed Success

WAYNESBURG — The first car show sponsored by the Greene County Antique and Classic Motor Vehicle Club was termed a resounding success by club members Sunday as close to 2,000 people turned out to see the vehicles on display at the county fairgrounds.

One hundred and four cars and one antique motorcycle were on display. Many of the vehicle owners came from Pittsburgh and other towns in Pennsylvania, part of West Virginia and Ohio, with one man driving a 1969 Cadillac 610 miles from Connecticut and another driving his car 550 miles from New Jersey.

The following were winners in the car show:

Model T Fords — first place, Terry Haggerty, Wyatt, W.Va., 1930 Ford.

Model A Fords — first place, Andrew Dixon, Rices Landing R.D.1, 1924 Ford.

Cars to 1929 — first place, George Long, Beaver Falls, 1924 Olds; second place, Thomas Heston, Fairmont, W.Va., 1926 Star.

Cars 1930-1936 — first place, Don Stout, Flemington, W.Va., 1931 Chevy; second place, Jim Myers, Pittsburgh, 1931 Chevy; third place, Chris Martin, Morgantown, W.Va., 1934 Cadillac.

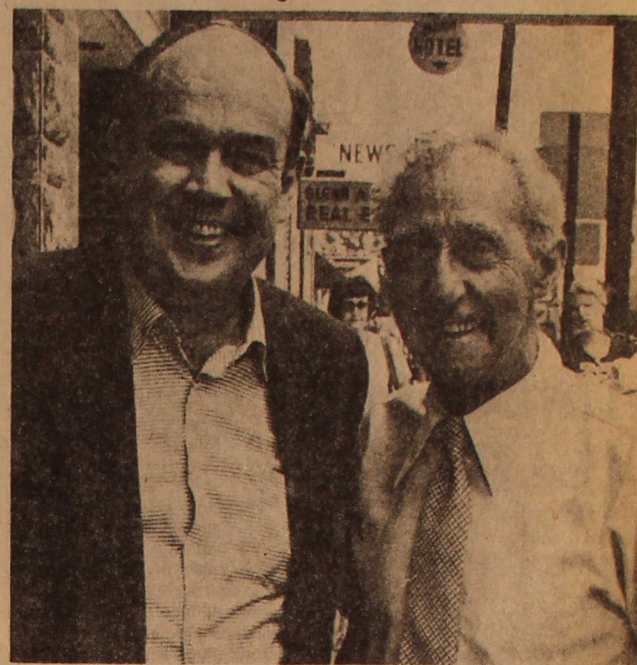
Cars 1937-1945 — first place, William Fefolt, Finleyville, 1937 Chevy; second place, Allen Hoffman of Pittsburgh, 1939 Buick; third place, Buck Delancy, 1941 Cadillac.

Cars 1946-1950 — first place, Frank Stillwell of Waynesburg R.D.1, 1950 Mercury; second place, Shelia Misovich of Belle Vernon, 1949 Ford; third place, Lloyd Roth, Marietta, Ohio, 1946 Dodge.

Cars 1951-1954 — first place, Ray Cooper, Newell, W.Va., 1952 Chevy; second place, Roy Gerritsen, Morgantown, W.Va., 1951 Chevy; third place, Fred Ashcraft of Clarksburg, W.Va., 1952 Ford.

Cars 1955-1959 — first place, John Schick of Pittsburgh, 1958 Chevy; second place, D. Burrows of Pittsburgh, 1957 Morgan; third place, John Steffan of Glassport, 1956 Imperial.

Cars 1960-1967 (Chevy only) — first place, Daryl Maurer of Clairton, 1967; second place, Jim Tron, Pittsburgh,



CBS correspondent Charles Kuralt, left, with John O'Hara in 1980.

his annual report.

It was after he joined the Associated Press as a "stringer," that his Rain Day story started getting national attention. It would later be helped along by this country's involvement in World War II. Then, servicemen far from home boasted about the weather phenomenon that made their hometown unique and even made bets it would rain.

Perhaps O'Hara's "crowning" moment as the unofficial publicity director for Rain Day came in 1980 when CBS newsman Charles Kuralt and his "On the Road" crew came to town. Kuralt explained he was led to Waynesburg and its Rain Day story after receiving a compelling story

from O'Hara. That year millions of people learned about Rain Day from television on not one, but two evening broadcasts. The extensive news coverage that year was a far cry from when O'Hara had to struggle to get a paragraph or two into his hometown paper.

Even though he will turn 81 this December and his eyesight is no longer good, O'Hara continues to write a column for the Waynesburg Republican, and keeps up with events surrounding each year's Rain Day celebration. It is a story he is proud of, not because of his work on it — he always downplays his role — but because of what the day has brought to a town he loves.

Other winners and their times were:

Ages 13 and under — Steve Adams, 45:55; Brian Porter, 51:59; and David Baily, 1:00:48, in the men's group, and Tracey Thomas, 1:14:00, in the women's group.

Ages 14 to 19 — David Tallaricio, 37:27; Bruce Jones, 39:55; and Earl Gilpin, 41:52.

Ages 20 to 29 — Donald Zimak, 37:48, and Donald Smith, 37:58, in the men's group, and Tina Huffman, 48:35; Beth Lazer, 49:21; and Jane Fast, 54:36, in the women's group.

Ages 30 to 39 — Glenn Tacy, 35:13; Douglas Campbell, 36:35; and Bill Jenko, 38:28, in the men's group, and Carolyn Crislip, 47:25; Mary Minarcik, 49:46; and Shirley Bailey, 1:01:06, in the women's group.

Ages 40 to 49 — Joseph Thomas, 35:50; John Snodgrass, 36:29; and Edward Comedy, 42:20, in the men's group, and Eileen Lang, 1:14:00, and Sandy Lazor, 1:21:00, in the women's group.

Ages 50 and over — James Lacey, 40:55; Phil Coleman, 42:10; and Conrad Sharps, 43:47, in the men's group. There were no women entered in this division.

Bible School Planned

WAYNESBURG — Vacation Bible School at the First Baptist Church of Waynesburg will be held Monday through Friday, July 30-Aug. 6.

Classes will be held each day at 6:30 p.m. The closing program will be held at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 5.

Boys and girls from three years of age through the eighth grade are invited to participate. Theme of the school is "God Bless Our Native Land."

Monaruth Tennant and Donna Knisley are co-directors of the Bible School, with Shirley Stockdale serving as secretary. Robin Throckmorton and Amy King will be in charge of music, with Becky Rush as pianist.

Members of the crafts committee are Janice Patton, director; Vickie Brewer, B.J. Chapman, Becky Rush and Charlotte Headlee. Becky Thomas and Sue Ellen Anderson will have charge of the kitchen and Robin Salosky, Dorothy Gran-

lee and Lynne Williams will provide a nursery for the children of teachers. Petey Walker will be the recreation director.

Teachers and helpers in the various departments:

Nursery, Linda Chapman, Nancy Ros, Debby Walker and Michelle Younken; kindergarten, Shari Fox, Jeanne Stacher, Carolyn Montgomery, David Baker and Kim Mankey; primary first, Judy Cowell and Gwen Smith; primary second, Sue Smith and Susan Gregorich;

juniors, Deanie Rameas and Clara King; pre-teen, Sheryl Falvo and Haddie Doney; junior high, Diana Williams and Twila Hallam.

Public Notices

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE ESTATE OF ETHEL M. ANDERSON of Franklin 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.

Harry W. Anderson
834 Elvira Avenue
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Executor

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