

20 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 3, 1998

'98 Although the Pennsylvania State Data Center depicts very little population growth in Pennsylvania through the year 2020, Fulton County is one of the counties in south-central Pennsylvania which is expected to experience growth at a higher rate than the state's overall rate. Fulton County is projected to experience a 19.7 percent growth, from 13,837 in 1990 to about 16,565 in the year 2020.

John Gracey of New Grenada took first place in the World Crossbow Competition in Hungary recently.

The former London Fog factory in Hancock opened its doors Tuesday as the tri-state area's newest antique and collectibles market. The market opened with 71 antique and collectibles dealers and will eventually be renting space to over 275 vendors. The building has been completely renovated by mall owner Forrest Mellott of Big Cove Tannery and H.B. Mellott Estates Inc.

Dr. Eugene Kilmore, M.D., an ophthalmologist whose primary practice is located in Mechanicsburg, will be seeing patients one day per month at Shultz & Lane Optometrist offices in McConnellsburg.

Following the last round of the men's club championship tournament played Sunday at Great Cove, Ron Maslanik was named the 1998 Club Champion after carding scores of 73, 74 and 76 for a total of 223.

Jim and Alice Chesnut travelled to Delta, Pa., August 29 to attend the 100th anniversary of the Delta-Cardiff Vol. Fire Co. One of the highlights of the parade was Hustontown Fire Co.'s 1949 Ford pumper leading a Delta line of equipment, driven by two of their veteran firefighters. The pumper served the Hustontown area until the fire company was formed in 1966. This was Hustontown's first piece of equipment bought from Delta.

Ryan and Lisa Deshong announce the birth of a son, Jared Forrest, August 16.

Deaths: Edna Clevenger, Needmore; Suella Ranck, Williamsport; Samuel Park, Three Springs; Dortha Smith, Hancock; Margaret Dikun, Everett; Ruth Kegerreis, Chambersburg; Donald Gosen, Berkeley Springs; Harvey Mellott Jr., Fort Loudon; Harry Hamil, Mercersburg.

Marriage licenses: David Wyland, Altoona, and Marla McElhaney, Altoona; Kenneth Shreve, McConnellsburg, and Kathi Swadley, York.

30 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 15, 1988

'88 Sen. John Heinz held a "town meeting" to meet with local residents at the Fulton County Courthouse on Saturday, September 10. He has introduced legislation to expand federal bridge repair and reconstruction work. In Fulton County, nine bridges are on the PennDOT 12-year plan as being in need of rehabilitation or replacement. However, only two of those bridges are targeted for work in the next four years. The rest, because of funding constraints, will have to wait.

Pete Pepple of Pepples Auction Barn said you could hear a pin drop at his auction barn on Friday night when bidding on a 1909 tin Coca Cola tray, oval-shaped and about 19 inches long, was bid up to \$610 to an unidentified buyer. Many other items in the Bertha Schooley estate sale brought unusually high prices, he said.

Jerry Smith, longtime member and former president of Great Cove Golf Club, was named the 1988 club champion on Sunday. The 1986 champion Lorraine Milroth was the women's 1988 champion after the last round of the three-round champion play on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Diehl of Hancock announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Ronald Eugene Mills, son of Patricia and the late Benjamin Mills of Warfordsburg.

Marriage licenses: Kenneth Farley, McConnellsburg, and Jennifer Burns, McConnellsburg.

Tonya Divelbliss and Boyd Beegle were united in marriage July 30 at Whips Cove United Church of Christ. Parents of the bride are Rose and Willis Hendershot of Warfordsburg and Tim Divelbliss of Needmore. Parents of the groom are Robert Beegle and Genevieve Beegle, Everett.

Births at the Medical Center: a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Rosenbery of Hustontown on August 27; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. David Davies of Hustontown on August 28; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Boden of McConnellsburg on August 28; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Harris of McConnellsburg on September 2; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Wilson of Berkeley Springs on September 3; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Robert McFarland of Six Mile Run on September 6; a son to Mr. and Mrs. David Crone of McConnellsburg on September 7.

Specials at the IGA: pork sausage, \$1.69 lb.; Pillsbury flour, 99 cents, 5-lb. bag; Colby longhorn cheese, \$1.99 lb.; Lebanon bologna, \$2.40 lb.

Deaths: Hildebet Smith Sr., Hancock; Madolyn Schreiber, Everett; Leona Everts, St. Thomas; Lee Ray, Carlisle; Uts Parson, Dillsburg; Bud Weller, Binghampton, N.Y.; Dorothea Sandy, Harrisonburg, Va.; Gladys Ruppenthal, Hancock; Mervile Perrey, Fayetteville; Ted Baer, Mercersburg; Helen Burke, Mercersburg; Donald McCusker, Little Orleans, Md.

40 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 7, 1978

'78 The body of state Rep. William O. "Bill" Shuman was laid to rest Sunday afternoon in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Greencastle. News of the popular seven-term Democrat's death last Wednesday while vacationing in Miami surprised and shocked his constituents in southern Franklin and Fulton counties as well as his colleagues in Harrisburg. Shuman was stricken with a heart attack in the Club Miami, an exclusive, all-male health spa of which he was a member. He was seeking his eighth term in the House and was finishing up his 14th year in the legislature.

Negotiations between Integrated Design Systems and the Waynesboro Knitting Co. are expected to come to a close this week and ownership of the old Sagner building on Lincoln Way West will be changing hands.

Long-distance truck driver Ken Reeder of South First Street had an alarming experience recently. He was hauling a million-dollar load of solid tin ingots and after a stopover at a motel in New York state en route to his destination found the next morning that the truck and million-dollar cargo had been stolen while he slept. The empty truck was found later in New Jersey by FBI agents who are investigating the hijack. Ken lost a number of valuable personal belongings, which were also stolen from the truck, but he is thankful he decided against using the sleeping facilities in the cab, due to the heat, the night it was stolen.

Kevin Mellott, 12, son of Wilkie Mellott of Harrisonville, had the misfortune of breaking his leg in three places recently in a motorcycle accident.

Patricia Kendall, RN, McConnellsburg, was appointed last week by the State Department of Health to the po-

MEMORY JOGGER



This week's Memory Jogger, submitted by Barb Hoffman of Dublin Mills, pictures the last reunion of the Winegardner School in early 2000. Many in the picture went to the school. Pictured in front, seated, is teacher Lois Madden. Also pictured are Clippingers, Millers, Kneppers, Grissingers and Hess families.

sition of public health nurse for Fulton County, to replace Vivian Abbott, who retired in July. Mrs. Kendall is married to Morrow Kendall and took over her new duties on Tuesday.

Pleasant Ridge Church of the Brethren, Needmore, was the setting for the marriage ceremony uniting Jacquelyn Elaine Beatty and Danny Allen Porterfield on August 12. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Beatty of Needmore. The groom is the son of Willard Porterfield of Apollo Beach, Fla., and Mrs. Shirley Yanosik of Needmore.

Specials at the IGA: Bounty towels, 2/99 cents; Hawaiian Punch, 2/99 cents; bottom round roast, \$1.69/lb.; french fries, 89 cents, 4 pounds.

Births at the Medical Center: a son to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Regi of McConnellsburg on August 28; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Martin of Mercersburg on August 26; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Royer of Berkeley Springs on August 2; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Bishop of Hancock on August 30; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sharar of Mercersburg on August 31.

Deaths: Mrs. Geraldine Melinda Truax, Needmore; Beatrice M. Hollenshead, Needmore; David Howard Wible, Littlestown.

50 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 19, 1968

'68 The State Weather Modification held a public hearing in Harrisburg last Thursday, at which more than a dozen witnesses testified that cloud seeding in Pennsylvania is still going on in spite of recent legislation which sought to control such activities by the issuance of licenses. Approximately 100 people attended the hearing. At a meeting of the board following the hearing, a study was made of the possible cost of setting up a means of enforcing the law which calls for licensing persons engaged in weather modification activities. Radar control and a high-speed airplane, it was pointed out, would be essential equipment needed to detect and apprehend persons engaged in illegal cloud seeding.

The Central Fulton PTA will hold its first meeting on Monday, September 23, at 7:30 p.m. in the all purpose room.

John Greathead left Thursday to begin his first year of study at the School of Graphic Arts, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, N.Y.

Marriage licenses: Robert Johnson of Wells Tannery and Joyce Henry of Hustontown; Carl Reed of Hancock and Ruth Powell of Warfordsburg; Dale Gress of McConnellsburg and Carol Jeannette Castle of York; David Young of Breezewood and Barbara Golden of Warfordsburg.

Miss Judy Strait, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Strait of Harrisonville, and Donald Eisaman, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Eisaman of Waterfall, were united in marriage August 24 at Sideling Hill Christian Church.

An open house was held September 8 in honor of the 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Seiders.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Layton of York at York Hospital on September 8. Mrs. Layton is the former Charlotte Doyle of McConnellsburg. Mr. Layton is formerly from Warfordsburg.

Miss Glenda Martz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Martz of McConnellsburg, became the bride of Duane Carbaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Carbaugh of McConnellsburg on September 10 in the home of her parents.

Specials at the IGA: Borden's ice milk, 49 cents, half gallon; Carnation evaporated milk, 15 cents, 13-oz. cans; IGA coffee, 2-lb. can, \$1.29.

More local students who are beginning or returning to school are Sharon Black and Sam Metz to Penn State University; Lindsay Riggs to the Drexel Institute of Technology; Ellis Souders to Lycoming College; Caroline Hunsecker and Carol Mellott to Lancaster Hospital School of Nursing; Wanda Merrell to Hagerstown Junior College; James Fry to Carson Long Military Academy and Paul Mellott and John and Jeff Culler to Mercersburg Academy.

Deaths: Lewis Harris, McConnellsburg; Johnson Deenen, Hyndman; Mrs. T. Blanche Shank, Buck Valley; Rev. Kelly Wigfield, Washington, D.C.

60 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 18, 1958

'58 Mrs. Norma Anderson of Rising Sun, Md., is spending some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Nace, while recuperating from injuries received in an automobile accident three weeks ago. She had been a patient in a Gettysburg hospital.

Robert Linn returned to his home here Sunday after being a patient in Chambersburg Hospital for three weeks.

Mrs. Noble Clemens of Ringtown is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C.F. Seville, Mrs. Seville being a patient in the Medical Center.

Miss Eliza Corbin, who had spent the past two years in Vietnam, is at present a patient in a California hospital.

Pfc. Albin Chubb, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.B. Chubb, recently returned home Monday from Japan where he had

served in Signal Communications since last November. After a 10-day furlough, he will report to Fort Meade.

Ralph McKee, postmaster at Amaranth, is a patient in the Veterans Hospital in Pittsburgh for observation.

Mrs. Elizabeth Guyer has been elected president of the local American Legion Auxiliary, with Mrs. Josephine Fix serving as vice president.

"The ridiculous sign atop Tuscarora Mountain, proclaiming the speed limit to be 50 miles for autos and 40 miles for trucks, was removed last week." The sign was replaced by two other signs, one just over the top and the other approximately three-quarters of the way down, both reading: "Hill - Trucks Use Low Gear." This appears to be in the right direction, but it is still not what the local Chamber of Commerce went on record 100 percent at its last meeting as being in favor of bypassing Route 30 around McConnellsburg. At that meeting, both Sen. Whalley and Rep. Garlock were present and pledged their support of a bypass. At the present time, the "News" editor has on his desk no fewer than four different letters Sen. Whalley has written the Division of Safety; as well as one of the replies he received - a fine example of Harrisburg "double talk." That letter stated that such a project would require action on both sides of the mountain as well as on both sides of the route leading to Mercersburg - a reasoning that officials here do not understand.

Dennis Hill, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Hill of Knobsville, was critically injured Sunday afternoon when the bicycle he was riding was struck by an automobile at Knobsville. Admitted to Fulton County Medical Center, he was found to have a fractured pelvis, concussion of the brain and lacerations of the scalp and right leg.

The local A&P Store reopened on Tuesday morning of this week after being closed for three days because of a strike called by the Food Employees Union of the Pittsburgh, Youngstown and Altoona areas. Marathon negotiations over the weekend brought a quick end to the first strike by employees in 18 years. In the new contract male employees will receive an hourly raise of 14 cents, females 12 cents and part-time workers 14 cents.

Local American Legion members elected the following directors of Fulton Post on Monday night: Leo Crouse, Raymond Johnston, Gerald Peck and Donald Hamil.

Word was received this week by Dr. Arnon Kaplan, who served as chairman of the fundraising drive, that the portrait of "the country doctor," the late Dr. Edgar MacKinlay, will be shipped Friday.

Dr. Robert Fry will begin his practice in Fulton County September 23. Formerly of Newville, he will occupy the office of the late Dr. MacKinlay on the courthouse square. He is a graduate of Gettysburg College and Temple University Medical School and recently completed his internship at Harrisburg General Hospital. He and his family have returned to the home of Robert Raker on Route 522, just south of McConnellsburg.

The construction of a \$6,000,000 stretch of a four-lane, limited-access super highway along Route 126 in Fulton County is expected to begin within six months. Planned as part of the interstate system, the highway will connect with a similar highway to be built along Route 40 east of Hancock toward Washington and Baltimore.

Dr. Francis Shunk Downs has resigned as pastor of McConnellsburg Presbyterian Church.

Wells Valley Boy Scout Troop No. 81 will receive its charter at a special service to be held at Wells Valley EUB Church on Sunday.

The agriculture department has forecast that the nation's volume of crops this year will be the largest ever.

J. Ora Wible, president of the Union Steel Corp. of Pittsburgh, has presented Fulton County a new electric clock for the courthouse dome in McConnellsburg, installation of which is expected to be complete this week. The new clock will replace the one given to the county by James Agnew in 1852, one year after the courthouse was built. The cost of the clock at that time was \$600 and had two faces, as there was little need for faces to the north and west because of the sparse population. The donor of the first clock, Col. Agnew, was a McConnellsburg merchant and amassed a fortune of \$125,000, a vast sum for those days. The new clock will have four faces and will strike on the hour. Although Mr. Wible would not reveal the cost of the new clock, it reportedly cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000. He is the elder son of Attorney L. H. Wible of McConnellsburg.

The local fire company has acquired a new ambulance, a 1948 Cadillac, trading in its old one to the Worth Motor Co. of Philadelphia.

John Miller Jr. and Alice Hendershot were married August 31.

Births at the Medical Center: a son to Mr. and Mrs. George Fagley of Harrisonville on September 11; a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Truax of Warfordsburg on September 12; a son to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McCoy of Fort Littleton on September 14.

70 Years Ago

From The Files Of September 23, 1948

'48 Edna Souders, 46, McConnellsburg; Genevieve Skiles, 24, McConnellsburg; and Edward Lynch, 67, Big Cove Tannery, were injured in an auto-