

LOOKING BACK

10 YEARS AGO
July 2, 2008

Two area soldiers will be honored at the Fourth of July festivities for their bravery at the Costello-Monahan-Brown American Legion Post 964 in Pleasant Mount. Sgt. John Nebzydoski and Cpl. Brian McGranahan will be honored.

With gas drilling getting underway in our area, Greenfield Township Group, which covers an area from Greenfield Township/Finch Hill to Elk Mountain/Clifford/Union Dale, was among the first to receive gas lease checks.

Lynch's Consignment Shop has opened in Forest City at 509 Main Street.

Mary Scheller, Brown Dale, was recently honored with the Daniel F. Picchio Award for Excellence in the Arts at Scranton Preparatory School.

Sarah Zigon, a Forest City Regional High School graduate and senior at Keystone College, has recently begun "Change your Thinking-Project Inspiration" by leaving inspirational messages all over Forest City.

Deaths: Robert H. Daniels, Sr., Carbondale; Lucie Hamby, Clarks Summit; Merle Hunt, Honesdale; Francis E. Magalski, Vandling; Eva Cavazos Thibedeau, Pleasant Mount; Margaret J. Yale, Union Dale; Paul J. Oles, Olyphant.

20 YEARS AGO
July 1, 1998

Juliann Doyle was recently installed as District Eight Director of the PA Business and Professional Women's Club (BPW).

Plans for a Centennial in Vandling in 1999 came to a screeching halt last week when THREE Vandling residents showed up for the organizational meeting.

The Old Home Week meeting, which culminated in the crowning of Sarah Weber as Mardi Gras queen, was held at Forest City Regional on June 21st. Jennifer Trusky was the runnerup.

Deaths: Ronald J. Dixon Jr., Waymart; Judith Gursky, Scranton; Margaret Ann Majeski, Susquehanna; Myrtle Gelatt, Thompson; Felix M. Misunas, born in Forest City.

30 YEARS AGO
June 30, 1988

The Forest City OHW will have its first taste of the "Monster Truck" this year as the "Stroh's Strider 11" makes a visit to Forest City.

The Penna. Department of Transportation recently held a meeting, the first in a series of public sessions to discuss planning and development of the proposed Lackawanna Valley Industrial Highway from Scranton to Carbondale.

The Brown Dale Fire Co. No. 1 will conduct their annual picnic this weekend at the Fire Co. grounds.

Jeffrey Swegel, son of Robert and Noreen Swegel, Forest City, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of first lieutenant.

Deaths: Eric Neil Cable, Ohio; Donald J. Franceski, born in Forest City; Henry Kamin, born in Forest City; John Mihalick, RD 2, Carbondale; Paul Hutchings, Oregon; Frank Lopatofsky, RD 1 Waymart; John Struss, Brown Dale; Stephen Zagursky Sr., formerly of Richmondale.

40 YEARS AGO
June 29, 1978

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Yorke, Brown Dale, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 24.

Mr. & Mrs. John A. Bodnar, Higgins St., observe 35th wedding anniversary.

T/Sgt. Allen M. Gordon, son of Mrs. Mitchell Gordon, 316 Susq. St., Forest City, graduated from the State University of New York at Pittsburgh on May 14, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in General Studies.

Dr. Joseph A. Cable, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Cable of Main Street, Union Dale, has been awarded his Doctor of Osteopa-

thy degree at the Philadelphia College of Osteopathy Medicine.

Death during the week: Martin Korsakas, Brown Dale; Anthony Kersavage, Scranton, formerly of Forest City.

50 YEARS AGO
July 8, 1968

Carl Breese, Royal, died July 5th from injuries received after being kicked in the head by a horse at his home on July 4th.

60 YEARS AGO
July 3, 1958

Edwin Bloxham was installed President of Forest City Lions Club at Bilotta's Restaurant, Carbondale.

M/Sgt. and Mrs. Peter Kobilssek and children are visiting here after a two-year sojourn in French Morocco where he was attached to the USAF Weather Service Climatology Section.

Mrs. Mabel Puchaty receives service pin for over twenty years of service to Susq. County Board of Assistance.

Burgess A. B. Cimochowski has banned all fireworks during the July 4th Holiday.

James M. Kane, son of Mrs. Alice Kane, is commissioned a Marine Second Lieutenant at Quantico, Va.

Miss Patricia Rosemergy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Denney, RD 1, Thompson, has been awarded a four year FHA scholarship at Mansfield State College.

70 YEARS AGO
July 1, 1948

Borough Council reinstated Chief of Police Francis Mayers after Burgess fails to substantiate charges on suspensions order.

The body of Pvt. Peter Kutuch, RD, Richmondale, who was killed in action in 1944, is returned home for burial.

David Slick, Railroad St., receives his pharmacy degree from Temple University.

Rev. T.J. McCormick was installed as pastor of St. Agnes Church succeeding Rev. Francis McGinley, transferred to Arch-bald.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stone, of Thompson, observe 50th wedding anniversary.

Robert Murray, Richmondale, is attending Red Cross National Aquatic School at York, under the auspices of Forest City Red Cross Chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Chorney, Dundaff St., observed their 35th wedding anniversary.

80 YEARS AGO
June 30, 1938

The Freedman Theater, closed for two and one-half years, will open Saturday.

John Zaller was elected president of Local 1035 UMW in a spirited election held Sunday in Legion Hall.

Plans are in preparation for a reunion of FCHS Class of 1918 to be held at Lake Como.

John R. Miller graduated Saturday from the Renouard School of Embalmers. He will be affiliated with the McGranaghan Funeral Homes.

90 YEARS AGO
July 5, 1928

John Sukienick, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sukienick, Depot Street, drowned Friday in the Lehigh River near Allentown, when a canoe, which he was using capsized.

Motion pictures of the recent KSKJ parade held here in June are a feature attraction in the news reel being shown locally at the Freedman Theater.

Two local fishermen were fined \$20 each for fishing with set poles at Long Pond.

An overheated stove caused a \$4,000 fire at the McGlowsky property on Hudson St., Monday evening.

100 YEARS AGO
July 4, 1918

William Muchitz has purchased the Mary E. Farrell property on South Main Street.

Sixty-four Vandling young men are enrolled in Uncle Sam's fighting forces.

Chief of Police Stanley Kolen-da is enjoying his vacation taking

in the sights of Philadelphia.

Joseph Luxmore, of Vandling, has received word that his youngest son received wounds in France which proved fatal.

110 YEARS AGO
July 2, 1908

The Anthracite Telephone Co. has installed a fire alarm system at the No. 2 breaker; In case of a fire a person may call the exchange, which in turn will notify the fire room from where the fire whistle will be sounded.

The Vandling Fife and Drum Corps will hold their annual picnic next week under committees headed by Carl Bartholomay, Walter Evans, Conrad Kleinbauer, George Llewellyn, John Mason and Samuel Willis.

The area hay crop which was promising earlier this season will not come up to expectations. Farmers say the recent dry weather will prevent a bumper crop.

120 YEARS AGO
June 30, 1898

A choir has been organized in the Forest City Welsh Congregational Church under the direction of T.O. Jones.

Forest City now has six young men in the service. It is expected that they will face the Spanish in Cuba within two weeks.

A local mine worker was taken to the county jail, charged with stealing cars in the local mines. His method was to take a ticket off a loaded car and put his own ticket in its place.

Michael Gailusa, a miner working in the Clifford shaft, was fatally injured by a roof fall yesterday.

130 YEARS AGO
June 28, 1888

A charter has been granted to a group of local Civil War veterans for the formation of a GAR Post, which will be known as No. 577.

George E. Resseguie will soon write a history of Forest City for the Montrose paper.

Charles Stein has acquired possession of John C. Brown's furniture and undertaking business.

Monday noon the coal pockets of A. J. Hoole collapsed, stalling train service for over five hours before it was cleaned up.

Coming Events

July 4 - 7th Annual Fire Cracker 5K run/walk, Wed., Pleasant Mount Community Center, benefits Boy Scout Troop 407, Pleasant Mount, go to www.pleasantmountcc.com

July 4 - Chicken barbecue, Wed., Pleasant Mount Fire Hall. Sponsored by Pleasant Mount UM Church, Tickets adults \$10, children \$5. Serving noon until sold out.

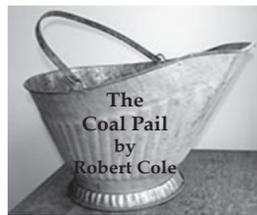
July 7 - Shehawken United Methodist Women annual festival, rain or shine, Shehawken United Methodist Church, Dixie Highway & Scott Center Road, Starrucca, Sat., 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Proceeds benefit the Women's Mission Projects.

July 11 - Clinton Center Baptist Church trip to Sight & Sound Theatre, Lancaster, \$105 includes lunch, Jesus production, Mike Dolph 570-470-5996, Janet Curtis 570-960-1166, Teresa Ursino 570-280-8640.

July 12, 13 & 14 - Union Dale Vol. Fire Co. annual picnic, Fri., Sat., & Sun., www.uniondalefire.com.

July 15 - St. Peter and Paul R.O. Church family style roast beef dinner, church hall, Belmont Turnpike, Union Dale, (Greek Settlement) Sun., noon to 2:30 PM., dance from 3:30-6:30 PM.

July 27 - Christ the King Parish picnic, July 27, 28 & 29, Betty & main Sts., Eynon, live bands, picnic opens 5 p.m.



The following short stories are of life as a young boy in the Forest City Area and are written by Robert Cole, Bordentown, NJ. His parents were Alfred and Jessie Atkinson Cole. He was born in 1940 in his grandparent's house on Railroad Street. His grandparents were Richard and Jessie Atkinson.

Chervink and I did a lot of stupid stuff that now could have put you in jail. We played with dynamite and blasting caps. We knew how it worked because Russ' father was a dynamite man in the mines and he had brought a wooden case of dynamite home from the mines and stored it in his cellar.

OUCH. We were in the cellar one day and Chervink had a 20 gauge shotgun shell in his hand. I asked--what are you going to do with that?? He put it in the vice and said that he was going to hit it with a prick punch. WOW-- I said--let me out of here before you do that. He said why??

I said that if you hit the primer, the shell will explode and get us both in the legs. He said that he never thought about that.

Needless to say that he did not do it. We did manage to set of a few 1/2 sticks of dynamite and did not get in any deep DO-DO. We then stopped fooling around with it because we knew it was dangerous.

I don't know what happened to the case of dynamite but I do know that it was very unstable. There was liquid oozing out of the sticks and it was most likely nitroglycerin. Very dangerous and we had no clue. I don't know what ever happened to the case of dynamite.

BACK HOME!

If I had the power to turn back the clock, Go back to that house at the end of the block-- The house that was HOME when I was a kid, I know that I'd love it more now than I did.

If I could be back there at my mother's knee, And hear once again all the things she told me, I'd listen as I never listened before, For she knew so well just what life had in store.

And all the advice my dad used to give, His voice I'll remember as long as I live; But it didn't seem really important then; What I'd give just to live it all over again.

And what I'd give for the chance I once had, To do so much more for my mother and dad; To give them more joy and a little less pain; A little more sunshine--a little less rain.

But the years roll on and we cannot go back, Whether we were born in a mansion or in a shack; But we can start right now--in the hour that's here, To do something more for the ones we hold dear.

And since time in its flight is traveling so fast; Let's not spend it regretting that which is past; But let's make tomorrow a happier day By doing our "good to others"--TODAY.

(Author Unknown)
(Thanks to Bob Cole, NEWS Coal Pail columnist, for sending this)

Reps available from Apprise Program

Representatives from the Apprise program are available year-round at the B/S/S/T Area Agency on Aging, Inc. office in Montrose to counsel individuals regarding Medicare, Medicaid, Advantage Plans, Medigap/Supplement, prescription plans and the Pennsylvania PACE program. Information is available on the numerous medical insurance and prescription drug eligibility programs available. Assistance with the completion of various medical forms and applications is also available. These services are offered as part of the Apprise program.

Apprise representatives are available to discuss insurance and prescription medicine issues for Medicare beneficiaries of all ages, and to advocate for individuals as necessary. This service is confidential and offered at no cost.

For additional information or to schedule an appointment, please call the B/S/S/T Area Agency on Aging, Inc. at 1-800-634-3746.

The Apprise program is also in search of people that are interested in volunteering. Helping people understand their benefits can be such a highly rewarding opportunity. You can be part of the team.

To volunteer as an Apprise Counselor or to receive more information about the volunteer opportunities, please call the agency at 1-800-982-4346.

The Apprise Program and the B/S/S/T Area Agency on Aging, Inc. are funded in part by the Pennsylvania Department of Aging; the United Way of Bradford County; the United Way of Susquehanna County; the Lycoming County United Way; and the Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, and Tioga County Commissioners.

100 YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Items from the Independent Republican, Montrose Democrat and Tri-Weekly Journal Submitted by Betty Smith, Susquehanna County Historical Society, Montrose Back issues of 100 Years Ago can be accessed at www.susqcohistoc.org

Brooklyn - Mrs. Louisa Lee has passed her 90th birthday, yet is active and energetic and anxious to do her all in aiding our soldier boys. The Indian wars, the Mexican war, the rebellion and Spanish American wars are all fresh in her memory, and when the war of 1812 was the latest conflict to furnish table conversation she was a child and heard the battles discussed by real soldiers of the Revolution, and got the tales of '76 first hand. But, although aged, Mrs. Lee is thoroughly modern, and her needles have been industriously clicking for the boys of '18 who are overseas. A beautiful afghan is the latest product, which has been sent to Scranton to provide comfort to some doughty soldier lad. The young ladies of today may still take lessons from this bright lady of 90 summers, who learned to knit at a much earlier age than they are now. Mrs. Lee is the mother of Alice Louise Lee, the well-known and popular author.

Silver Lake, Richmond Hill - James Lonergan died June 30, 1918. He was a son of John and Catherine Lonergan and was born in County Tipperary, Ireland, 76 years ago. He came with his parents, when a boy, to this country and when the [Civil] war broke out his parents refused to give their consent for him to enlist and he ran away, was returned home and ran away again, serving valiantly his period of enlistment and later joined the navy. He is survived by his wife, Alice and children: John, of Ithaca; Mrs. J. V. Meehan, Montrose; Richard, of Elmira; Philip of Albuquerque, N. M.; Mrs. T. H. Quain, of Bridgewater, and James, of Richmond Hill. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery,

Montrose. South Montrose - Men from the Susquehanna County Light & Power Co. were here last week and visited this place and Loudon Hill Farm, looking over the territory with a view of running a wire to South Montrose to furnish the place with light and power, and also considering the possibility of furnishing current for the large farm and its numerous buildings. Mr. Ballantine has a finely equipped electric plant on the farm, but is considering getting service from the company. Elkdale, Clifford Twp. - The cheese factory is making about 30 cheeses a day. The factory is in full operation with Ray Lee, an experienced cheese maker, in charge. Several hundred prime cheeses have been made of superior quality.

Springville - As far as can be ascertained, Mrs. Bert Taylor, of this place, is the only mother in the township who has given three sons to the service of Uncle Sam. They are stationed as follows: Corp. D. G. Capwell, Infantry, Camp Logan, Houston, Texas; Pvt. John H. Capwell, Field Artillery, Fort Sill, Okla., and he has also seen service in the Philippines; and Pvt. Paul J. Capwell, 26th Engineers, Camp Dix, N. J. In another year two more sons will come under the draft. Susquehanna mother, Mrs. Michael Igo, has two sons, Pvts. James and Thomas at Camp Upton, Long Island. She and her husband are the parents of nine children, eight boys and one daughter, all under 21.

Forest City - A half-holiday was observed by the Forest City merchants and their employees yesterday afternoon. Every Wednesday afternoon for the next

two months, except on pay-days, all stores will be closed.

Uniondale - At a L. A. S. supper served at the home of Mrs. E. Oram an incident of unusual interest took place. A special table was arranged for the entertainment of aged ladies, of which there were ten, all widows. "Aunt Fanny" Felts presided, as being the oldest, nearly 90 and poured tea from a teapot nearly 200 years old, being the property of Mrs. Libbie Greene.

News Brief: A small wireless plant which is believed to have been giving information to U-boats operating off the Atlantic coast was discovered in the room of a summer boarder at Palermo, N. J. and the man arrested. Government wireless operators had been aware for some time that high tension of rapid frequency were being sent out from some source along the Atlantic coast, and the plant was finally located by the use of a new clever device called the "detectograph," which is said to be capable of tracing to within 100 yards the source of any wireless operations. ALSO The United States is the only country with a known birthday. All the rest began, they know not when, and grew into power, they know not how. There is no Republican--no Democrat--on the Fourth of July--all are Americans. James G. Blane

200 Years Ago from the Montrose Gazette, July 4, 1818.

*MARRIED. At Southampton, L. I. on the 27th of May, Mr. Silvanus [Sylvanus] S. Mulford, merchant of this place [Montrose], to Miss Fanny Jessup.

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Week of July 9

Monday - Baked fish in parsley butter, stewed tomato, steamed broccoli, mac & cheese, rocky road pudding.

Tuesday - Chicken Parmesan, green bean almondine, tossed salad, spaghetti, chocolate mousse.

Wednesday - Swiss steak, sauteed zuke & squash, mashed potato, dinner roll, orange

Thursday - Ham w/pine-apple sauce, Asian veggie medley, steamed carrots, brown rice, peach crisp.

Friday - Turkey hot brown sandwich, chicken wild rice soup, balsamic tomato & cuke salad, strawberries & cream.

For reservations, please call a day ahead at Forest City, 10-2, 785-3386. At Lenoxville, 10-2, THURSDAY ONLY, 222-9550, or you can call the Senior Service office at: 278-7664 or 800-634-3746

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