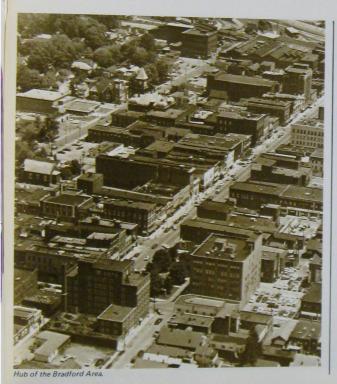


A message from the Bradford Area Chamber of Commerce





The Bradford Area Chamber of Commerce invites you to come and enjoy with us the natural beauty of our area and pleasant living in a progressive community.

Through the pages of this book you will feel the pulse of our city . . . a view of the past, and a look into our plans for the future.

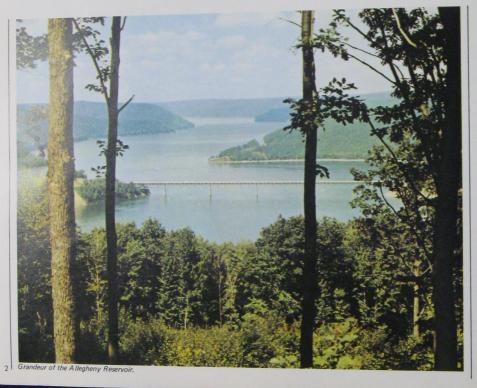
Bradford owes its early development to a natural resource-oil; today a well diversified economy provides employment for our people.

Another part of our progress is indicated by the active program of redevelopment and housing started several years ago.

But, the most important asset of any city is its people. Active and interested people are the catalyst that improve and develop a community, and you will find them here in Bradford. The many and varied community activities depicted in this book would not have been possible without the efforts of sincere and dedicated men and women.

We invite you to come and live with us in this happy valley surrounded by wooded hills. Enjoy the clean air and beautiful scenery in this land of pleasant living.

Community Profile



Bradford lies amid the rolling tree covered Allegheny Mountains in northern McKean County, Pennsylvania, an example of the harmonious possibilities of a thriving commercial center existing in unmatched natural beauty.

The county, named for the second governor of Pennsylvania, is located in the northwestern portion of the state, bordered by New York State on the north, Warren County on the west, Elk and Cameron Counties on the south, and Potter County on the east.

The city of Bradford has a population of 15,000 and the Bradford area which includes, in addition to the city, Bradford and Foster Townships and Lewis Run Borough, has a population estimated at 30,000. The county population is 53,000.

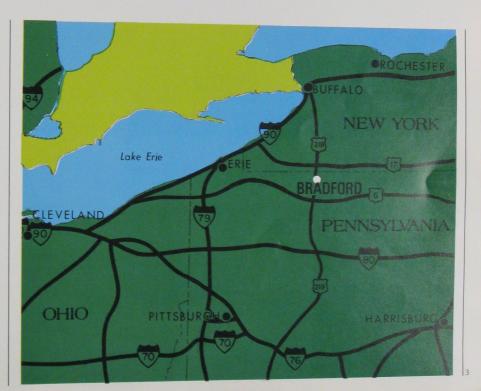
Free of the pressures attendant to the crowding in larger urban centers, Bradford nevertheless is engaged in a progressive program of reordering its resources and priorities to be ready for the contingencies of the future.

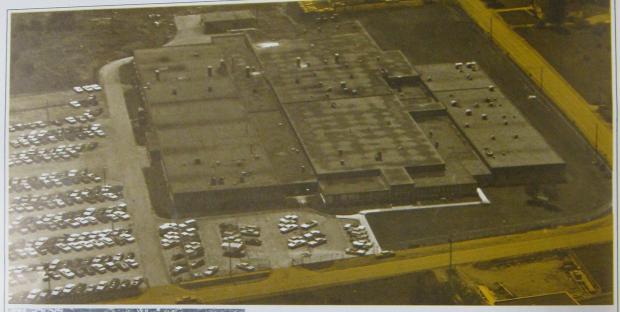
One trend which has already indicated direction for the future is the influx of temporary refugees from the cities seeking brief respite in the recreational haven of which Bradford is a natural center an easy day's drive for the 50-million persons who live within 350 miles.

The city is located on the north-south U. S. Route 219 which is being turned into a four-lane road to join Buffalo, 80 miles to the north, and Pittsburgh, 165 miles to the south. Cleveland is 190 miles to the west. East-west routes serving Bradford are Interstate 80 to the south and New York 17 to the north. Scenic Route 6 is the third east-west route servicing the city. Bradford is built on what was once a floor of a preglacial ocean. Its elevation is 1,443 feet above sea level. The climate is moderate (average temperature for January is 28 and for July, 71) and all four seasons have their special appeal.



Skier's view of Bradford City.







Airco Speer Electronics Resistor Plant in Bradford is one of the most sophisticated manufacturing plants for electronic components in the United States. The pride in providing high quality at competetive prices and the pride in providing the best delivery schedules in the industry are the factors that have contributed significantly toward substantial sales growth over the years.

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A City Built on Black Gold



Penn-Brad Historical Well Park located on Route 219 three miles south of Bradford.

A small party of pioneers from Vermont, seeking good fortune in the year 1823, decided to settle in a valley in the Allegheny Mountains of northwestern Pennsylvania and in so doing marked the spot where their descendants and others who followed their lead would build the city of Bradford.

The first settlers were far more interested in cutting down trees than in putting up cities, and the pine and hardwood forests that blanketed the land determined the development of the area in those early decades.

Through the valley wound a twobranched stream aptly named by the Indians, Tunungwant or Crooked Creek. The white men shortened the name to Tuna which they also gave to the first settlement. Others followed with names such as Foster Brook and Tarport.

The United States Land Improvement Company of Boston sent an agent to the area, Colonel L. C. Little, who purchased 16,000 acres for about six cents per acre in 1837. The area was given the name Littleton.

Gradually the settlement assumed the appearance of permanency with schools, churches and mercantile business to support the main occu-

pation of the lumber mills.

After Little's death in 1854 the name of the settlement was changed to Bradford. The derivation of the name has been lost in antiquity. Bradford was not located on a main water route and its early development was slowed to the tortuous pace of overland transportation. This was remedied with the coming of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Railroad, organized by Little's successor as agent for the land company.

The presence of a coal deposit at Mt. Alton, to the south, led to speculation in the 1850's that a wealth greater than the trees lay beneath their roots. The speculators were wrong in looking for coal but they were right in thinking Bradford's future lay in mining a great underground resource.

With the discovery of oil at Titusville in 1859 speculation began anew, but a mistaken belief that oil lay near the surface resulted in fresh disappointment. Although Bradford's first oil well was drilled in 1871, it was not until 1874, with the advent of improved geological techniques and equipment that would drill deep into the oil rich sand, that Bradford joined the oil boom.

Once accomplished, it was not long before Bradford became known as the "High Grade Oil Metropolis of the World." In 1876, 376 wells produced 380,000 barrels of crude oil. By 1882 there were nearly 3,000 wells producing 18 million barrels and Colonel Little's acres were selling for as much as \$1,000 each. With the coming of the twentieth century the oil boom subsided and



The forest prevails.

the residents of a growing Bradford turned to other occupations. More and more emphasis was placed on diversified industrialization.

Bradford's history is a story of the use of change to encourage growth and permanence. Looking ahead, community leaders have organized countless ideas, plans and target dates for renovation and expansion of the city. In preparing for

tomorrow, Bradford spares no effort in providing opportunities and encouragement for renewal and growth, assuring a prosperous and rewarding life for all of its citizens.

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Pioneer in Progressive Government



The city of Bradford, incorporated in 1879, is governed by a board of seven councilmen. One of the seven is elected mayor by the other councilmen.

The day to day administration of the city is handled by a city manager. Bradford was the first third class city in Pennsylvania to adopt the council-manager form of gov-



A quiet respite.

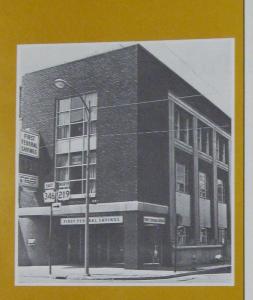
ernment in November 1962 after the state legislature okayed optional charter form for local government.

The city maintains full-time paid police and fire departments, two parks, and a half dozen play-grounds, as well as an excellent water system, an incinerator and a land fill program to handle solid waste disposal well into the future. A plan for secondary treatment of sewage has been approved.

The city government has been in the vanguard in the planning and execution of the numerous redevelopment programs that are making a new city of Bradford.

The county government, a three member board of commissioners, is located in Smethport, 20 miles east of Bradford.

The city, county, and surrounding townships, as well as private individuals, cooperate in mutual projects like the recently erected \$60,000 animal shelter and pound. An example of intergovernment cooperation is the Bradford Flood Control project which was completed in 1960 with state and federal assistance to keep the two branches of Tuna Creek within their banks. A Flood Control Authority now maintains the project.



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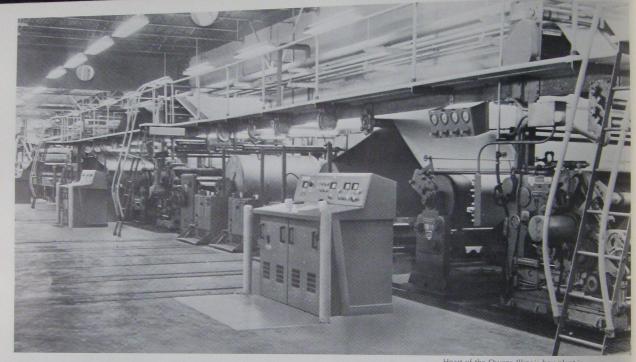
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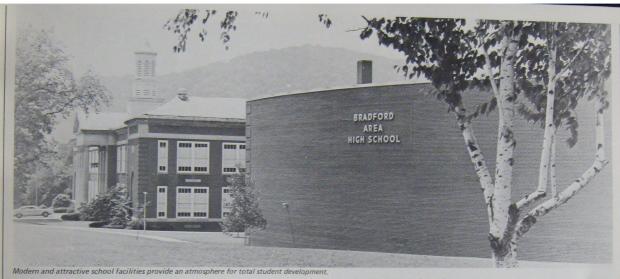
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Student Development



The Bradford Area Schools are committed to providing an educa-tional experience which will enable the individual student to qualify for the highest possible levels of formal education and to achieve to the maximum of his ability. The educative process is viewed as both cumulative and continuous with consideration of the total development of the student.

With an enrollment of about 3,200 With an enrollment of about 3,200 elementary and 2,800 secondary school students, the district covers Bradford City, Lewis Run Borough and Bradford, Foster, Lafayette and Corydon Townships, an area of approximately 200 square miles. Public school plants consist of 13 elementary buildings, a school for trainable children, two junior high

schools and one senior high school. Secondary schools are located in Bradford. The elementary buildings are distributed throughout the district — four in Foster Township, two in Bradford Township, six in the city and one in Lafayette Township.

The newest structure is a junior high school built in 1961. Renovation to the high school with the addition of a new auditorium, gym addition of a new auditorium, gym-nasium and a vocational wing was completed in 1965. The second junior high school was expanded in 1964. Most of the elementary schools were enlarged in the 1950's. Plans call for consolidating the ele-mentary facilities into three or four large learning centers.

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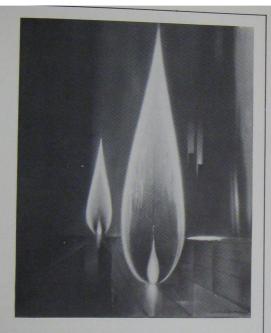


Association, Bradford High School has four regular curricula—academic, business, vocational and general.

The schools use the modern math and concept oriented social science programs developed by the Educa-tion Research Council of America. Also used are the AAAS elementary science program and the i.t.a. (initial teaching alphabet) approach to reading.

A modern language program begins in the seventh grade and an ungraded curriculum in language arts is being instituted. Students are given two periods each week to pursue independent study in well-actions and the pursue independent study in well-actions to the students are supported by the students are sup equipped learning laboratories. Extensive use is made of educational television broadcasts and a visual aides center, rated nationally as "distinguished," is located in the high school with satellite centers



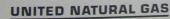


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in each of the other schools.

The vocational technical program makes use of eight separate shops for training in a diversity of skills from auto mechanics to laboratory assistants.

Pilot programs for high school students have been developed around the subjects of nuclear science and great western religious literature.

A special education program reaches students of all ages. A sheltered workshop, operated in cooperation with the McKean County Society for Retarded Children, provides valuable services to the trainable child.

Rounding out the school program are the adult education courses and the summer programs for enrichment and remedial work.

A professional staff of about 350 teachers, counsellors, librarians, home and school visitors, nurses, dentist and doctors carry out the school program.

In addition to the public schools, Bradford has a parochial elementary school and Central Christian High School. New plant facilities were completed in 1962.

Over forty per cent of the high school graduates continue their education, most of them at degree granting institutions.



Central Christian High School was completed in 1962.

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Pitt...Twelve Million for the Future

The University of Pittsburgh at Bradford is one of four regional campuses opened by the University of Pittsburgh in the 1960's to extend its service to higher education in Western Pennsylvania.

The Bradford Campus began modestly enough in 1963 with facilities consisting of a former hotel and a one-time hospital building and now is contributing to the remaking of Bradford with a \$12-million college complex on a 110 acre site.

The Bradford Campus offers a cross section of the total educational program of the University, enabling students to complete two years of undergraduate work in the College of Arts and Sciences and the School of Engineering and first two and one-half terms in the School of Nursing. Upon completion of two years of work at the Bradford Campus, students may enter the University's main campus in Pittsburgh or transfer to another four-

year school to complete undergraduate studies.

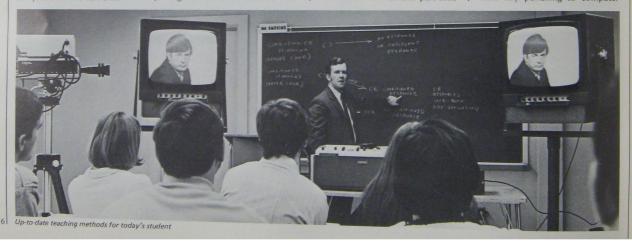
Graduate courses in education and library and information sciences are available in an evening program. The evening school schedule also includes a number of degree and non-degree offerings. Among these are seminars for elected officials and informal lectures.

Enrollment at the campus numbers about 475 full and part-time

students. The faculty numbers about 40.

The former Emery Hotel serves as dormitory and dining room, as well as student lounge and reception center. Most courses are taught at Hamsher House.

In the spring of 1970 a computer was added to augment the campus program in computer science. A full complement of courses ranging from key punching to computer





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languages is offered to both regular students and evening classes.

The new campus is to be built on two parcels of land, one a gift of the Kendall Refining Company, division of Witco Chemical Corporation and the other acquired through an urban redevelopment program. A 32-acre area will be devoted to playing fields, gymnasium, and allied athletic uses; a 78-acre plot to classrooms, dormitories and administration buildings. As the new campus develops, enrollment is expected to rise to between 1,200 and 2,000 students.

St. Bonaventure University, 20 miles north of Bradford at Allegany, N.Y., has long been a source of higher education for Bradford residents.

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Timber... Oil... Diversity

Bradford, once a lumber town, then an oil town, is now home to a variety of industries producing a broad spectrum of manufactured goods.

The list of products includes machinery, pipes and valves, stone glass and clay products, bricks, cigarette lighters, cutlery, a wide range of electronic components, paper products, charcoal, petroleum and wood products.

The oil and lumber industries no longer dominate the economy but remain important producers. There is one oil refinery and headquarters for three other major oil companies in Bradford. In addition, many companies manufacture equipment for use in petroleum and natural gas production.

Forest related industries are predominantly furniture making and wood working. Slugs for baseball bats and molded products of a wood-resin composite are stamped "Made in Bradford,"

The labor force in McKean County consists of 20,000 men and women, about half of whom are employed in the Bradford area. Four Bradford area industries employ more than 500 each. Another half dozen employ 100 or more. Many in-



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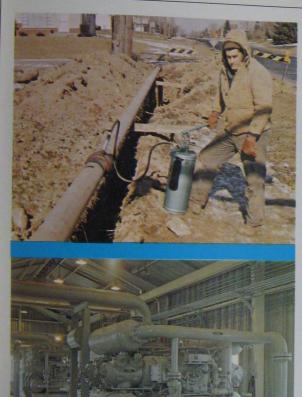
dustries require highly specialized skills and a large portion of the labor force consists of skilled, experienced workers.

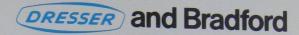
The climate for industrial growth in Bradford is exceptionally good. The adjuncts of a progressive community make it an enviable place to live and work. The Bradford Community Industrial Corporation stands ready to aid new businesses in settling in the area and to help in financing new facilities and plant expansions.





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Evolution of a Community



Bradford's first settlers, when they decided to leave Vermont, were able to pack up and, leaving their problems behind, go out in search of a new territory and a new start. It was a luxury afforded pioneers in an undeveloped country.

"Moving on" is no longer a feasible solution to problems and the pioneer today, while still searching for new starts, is no longer finding a solution in new territory but in methods of reutilizing the resources at hand.

Bradford is fortunate in having a dynamic program of community development which is making possible a multiplicity of opportunities for renewing the community and enriching the lives of its residents.

Development and implementation of the program is the work, principally, of two agencies. The Redevelopment Authority and the Housing Authority. This work is under the imaginative leadership of the Bradford City government and the guidance of a determined planning Commission.

While the two operate separately, their projects are tied together for an integrated program of community improvements — financed by federal, state, and local monies. The function of the Redevelop-

ment Authority is the removal of blighted areas by acquiring and clearing land and assembling it in parcels to be sold for private or public development. Bradford is currently involved in seven projects and has received more money in grants per capita than any other city in Pennsylvania.

Four of the projects are receiving Federal assistance. Renewal funds to acquire and prepare land within these four projects will total 6.5million, which will result in two downtown commercial projects valued at 2.25-million; a public housing program for the elderly and low income families valued at 4.3-million; a moderate income housing project to cost \$800,000 and additional commercial development in the housing project area of approximately \$150,000. The latest project to be undertaken is the Neighborhood Development Program which will provide for a new Post Office, a new library, 60 housing units, additional downtown parking spaces, loans and grants for private housing rehabilitation. This most recent undertaking will have a redevelopment value of 2.2million dollars

Two projects are financed solely on the state and local level. These









It's all about people!

Our Bradford Area Story is one of People. Past rapid growth in population created a community. Current continuous appraisal and renewal of our urban environment will assure a future of which we... and our children... can be proud.

The Bradford Redevelopment & Housing Authorities of the city of Bradford are facing squarely the problems of the past and earnestly endeavoring to renew the community for the future of our people.

Today, from a per capita viewpoint, we are involved in more renewal and housing activities with a greater dollar investment than any City in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Seven urban renewal projects and two housing projects involve eleven and one half million dollars.

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One locally financed project plans for purchase of 100 acres for development of a 30-acre park and housing.

and housing.

In Bradford the redevelopment effort emphasizes housing, as indicated by the number of projects devoted to that area. Planned in the projects are 800 dwelling units for low to moderate income families and the elderly. The housing units themselves will vary from high rise apartments and prefabrecated modular units to individual dwellings. The Bradford Kiwanis Club is acting as non-profit sponsor for one of the projects — a 50-unit apartment complex for moderate income families.

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Mecca for Outdoor Recreation

Bradford lies in the center of a tremendously expanding complex of recreational facilities which provide for enjoyment of every conceivable outdoor activity in every season of the year.

The area has always been known to sportsmen, hunters and out-doorsmen who have come to fish from its crystal streams and stalk the deer or wild turkey in the golden days of late autumn or trudge along the ridges of hills for the single purpose of being alone with nature.

These have now been joined by the increasing number of city dwellers who, feeling the pressure of the city, travel to this region to



The Kinzua Dam



This dramatic photo taken three miles above the earth graphically shows the magnitude of the Allegheny Reservoir extending 27 miles back of the Kinzua Dam which is seen in the lower left hand corner. In the upper left you can see Lake Erie and beyond it the shore of Canada. Bradford, located immediately to the right of the Reservoir, is only fifteen minutes from the lake.

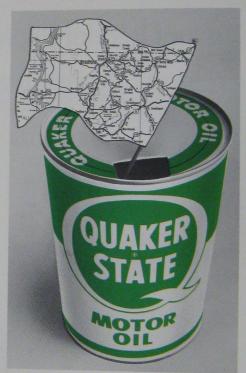
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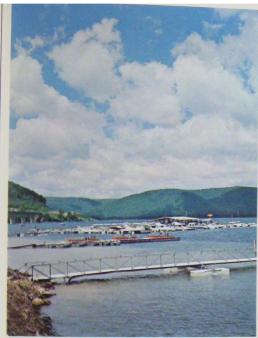


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unwind, to breathe fresh, clean air, to smell the fragrance of pine instead of gas fumes.

The number of annual visitors to the Bradford area jumped into the millions with the completion of the Kinzua Dam and the formation of the Allegheny Reservoir, 27 miles long with 91 miles of forested shoreline.

The reservoir bordering the county on the west includes boat ramps, picnic and swimming areas, campsites and scenic areas with winding



Calandar of fall foliage



Zippo Professional Golf Tournament

trails, all operated by the U. S. Forest Service. Of historic note is the burial ground of George Washington's Indian friend, Chief Cornplanter, in the Riverview Cemetery a few miles beyond Willow Bay.

The reservoir is located in the Allegheny National Forest which stretches east toward Bradford — thousands and thousands of acres of forest dotted with developed sites for camping and picnicking and trails for hiking.

To the north on the New York

State border is Allegany State Park, laced with miles of trails and developed with an abundance of campsites, cabins and swimming facilities.

Located in the national forest south of Bradford is the Tionesta Scenic Area, a stand of virgin beech and hemlock giving the visitor an idea of what the forest primeval looked like.

Visitors who have never seen deer except in a zoo are delighted by the frequent sight of a White Tail

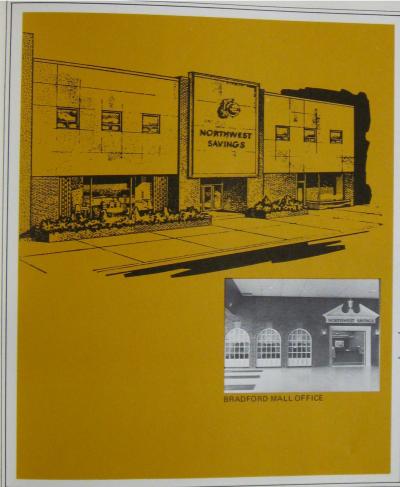


nibbling shoots along the roadside Another roadside sight familiar to the area is the pumping jack, moving up and down as it raises crude oil to the surface, often in someone's front yard. Those who are interested in seeing what happens to crude oil on its way to becoming gasoline and other petroleum products are welcome for tours of the Kendall Refinery.

Other attractions are the Kinzua railroad bridge at Kushequa, the longest, highest and oldest structure of its type in the state, and the world's last refuge for Lobo Wolves in Kane.

For golfers there are two 18 hole courses in the immediate area and others are within a short driving distance. One of the annual events in the community is the Zippo Professional Golf Tournament; an-other is the Valley Hunt Club Horse Show.





Northwest Savings Association was incorporated in Bradford in 1896. Now in its 75th year and serving a wide area of Northwest Pennsylvania it operates two offices in Bradford (one in the center of town, the other in the new Bradford Mall) and offices in Warren, Titusville and Johnsonburg.

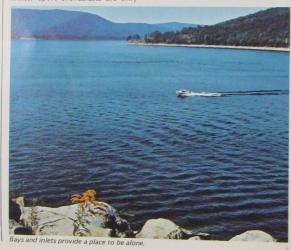
Northwest Savings multiple thrift programs pay the highest possible rates. Their Mortgage Financing Plans include Home Purchases and Construction financing, along with FHA and VA financing plans.

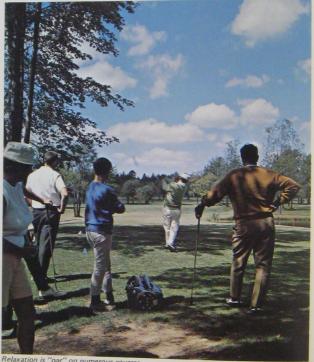
They have originated Commercial Financing of apartment dwellings, motels and land development. Additional services offered are Special Purposes Club Accounts, Travelers Checks, Money Orders, and Passbook Loans. You will find it a pleasure to deal with the experienced staff in attractive, modern surroundings at Northwest Savings.

NORTHWEST SAVINGS

Callahan Park is a 32-acre all season recreation center for Bradford residents — tennis and basketball courts, swimming pool and ball diamonds for spring, summer and fall use; for winter, an ice skating rink and Zippo Ski Slope, a 350 foot vertical drop down a slope of 1,100 feet. A rope tow helps skiers get back to the top. Winter sport enthusiasts are only

a short drive from a number of fine commercially operated ski slopes. Fall also draws a number of visitors to view the gorgeous autumn foliage. The blazing reds, oranges and golds of Bradford's trees are part of the scheduled sights for several fall foliage tours.







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Outlets for all Creative Talents

Numerous performances by the best of professional artists, writers and thinkers combine with lively programs of artistic participation by the community to enrich the cultural life of Bradford.

The Bradford Civic Music Association, one of the oldest of its type, has been bringing musical artists to perform in Bradford since 1926. The list of performers, top orchestras, soloists, dance and popular music ensembles, is long and impressive. In addition to the Association, or the state of the control of the control

ation program, the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra plays periodically in the city.

Another well-established cultural program is the Civic Lecture series. Recent speakers have included Art Buchwald, Harrison Salisbury and Vincent Price.

Yet another series of programs is presented annually by the Bradford Film Society. The works of Bergman, Truffaut, Fellini and Antonioni are among the offerings. Originally a project of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth EI, the film series is now given in a downtown theater under the auspices of the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford.

The Bradford Campus also contributes to the cultural programs of the community with informal courses and lectures.

The Bradford Art Center encourages local talent and art appreciation with classes, lectures, exhibits and discussions. The Center affords ample room for artists to work and also has a growing library of

art books and magazines.

The Seneca Highland Players, an active amateur theater group, provides entertainment for the community and at the same time gives its members a chance to learn and demonstrate acting skills and talents in other facets of the drama.

The Bradford Landmark Society is dedicated to preserving monuments to the area's exciting past. Part of the organization's program has been tours of historic houses. Bradford is also home to the fa-



mous art collection of T. E. Hanley. Much of the collection now graces art museums from coast to coast. The Carnegie Library of Bradford serves the reading needs of the community with a collection of 43,500 volumes and 150 periodi-

cals and newspapers. The library also has a collection of film strips and phonograph records for use by its patrons and a complete file of the local daily newspaper is kept on microfilm.





Bradford Art Center encourages talent and

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The completely enclosed Bradford Mall offers: air conditioned comfort; free parking for 1,600 cars; convenient hours, open 10 A.M. to 10 P.M. daily and closed Sundays; and a fine selection of merchandise and services.

BRADFORD MALL ON ROUTE 219

EAST BRADFORD, PENNSYLVANIA

millimeter film presentations and a summer reading program for children. Films are also available to organizations seeking them for program material.

The library has a 4,500 volume collection donated by T. E. Hanley and a representative collection of painting and sculpture donated by the art collector.

A total of 9,627 patrons borrow an average of 103,000 books annually. Plans include the hope of a new library building in one of the city's redevelopment projects. Chautauqua Institution, which offers a full summer cultural program, is less than an hour's drive away.



The inquiring mind.



Hippocrates' People

Meeting the medical needs of the area is Bradford Hospital, an up-to-date 223 bed, general institution following all the regulations of the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.

The hospital building, a space age design constructed completely of aluminum in 1950, was the first hospital architecture of its type in the nation.

Equally as modern as the facility is the service provided within by the excellent professional staff. This includes four surgeons, three internists, eight generalists — three of whom are internists, two obstetrician-gynecologists, two radiologists, a pathologist, a urologist, a pediatrician, an anesthesiologist, an eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, and two consulting psychiatrists. Among the hospital's fine facilities is a completely equipped four-bed

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coronary care unit staffed around the clock by nurses with special training in coronary cases.

Bradford hospital places emphasis on continued education of its staff to keep abreast of advances in medical knowledge. Doctors participate in the telephone lecture network of the Western New York

Bradford Hospital

Regional Medical Program and a videotape machine and monitor in the hospital library give access to a nationwide library of tape programs.

With the growth of the area, the hospital is expanding its physical and inhalation therapy and X-ray departments.

A clinic operated in close cooperation with the hospital is a source of care for crippled children and expectant mothers as well as patients with cancer, cardiac, and psychiatric problems.

Ambulance service in Bradford is provided through the fire department





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FOREST OIL CORPORATION

Fifty-five years ago the Forest Oil Corporation was founded in Bradford. Since then this successful organization has grown and expanded until it has branches in several other parts of the country including Denver and San Antonio. The Bradford office remains the central office for Forest Oil, producers of oil products.

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In business only two years, Bradford Glass has already established an excellent reputation as sellers and installers of many varieties of glass products. These include mirrors (ready made or cut to size and pattern), plate glass, windshields, all types of

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The Rudolph C. Nelson Insurance Agency, located in the Hinckley Building, has been writing insurance since 1936. The General Accident Group, the Royal-Globe Insurance Group, the Western Surety Company, and the Ohio National Life Insurance Company are represented by the firm. In addition, the services of Pennsylvania and New York State Brokers and a Notary Public are provided. Rudolph C. Nelson, Walter H. Schilg, Emily Ostberg,



Gift Storms, and Jeanne Walker are well-qualified to serve as "Your Agent for All Kinds of Insurance."

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Active People... Better Community

The numerous clubs of Bradford provide its citizens with opportunities for fellowship and participa-tion in programs to better the com-

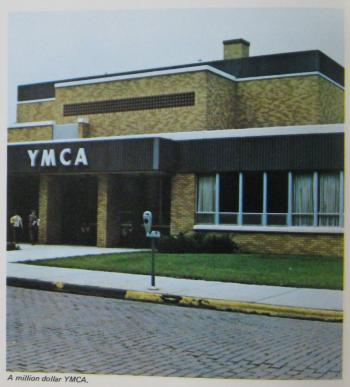
A partial list of service, veteran's and fraternal organizations for men and women include Kiwanis, Ro-tary, Lions, Zonta, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Elks, Moose, Knights of Columbus, Eastern Star, Odd Fellows, Masons, and Jaycees. There are many others.

In addition to their social programs, clubs and organizations provide backing and manpower for projects of various sorts.

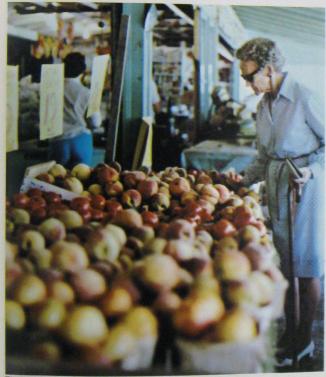
The YMCA and YWCA have special appeal to members of all ages with a wide range of recreational and educational programs.

The YMCA recently replaced its old facility, built in 1906, with a million dollar plant which boasts a swimming pool, gymnasium, hand-ball and squash courts, exercise rooms and a health club featuring steam room and sauna and massage equipment. In addition there are a number of game, meeting, reading and television rooms. The YMCA has a large and active membership and has also extended use of its facilities to the Bradford Campus 42 of the University of Pittsburgh.





Where Shopping is a Pleasure





Downtown convenience.



A wide selection

The shopper in Bradford can count on two very important considerations — parking close to the store and a wide selection of quality merchandise to guarantee getting what is wanted rather than taking just what is available.

The one stop shopper who goes to the Bradford Mall or the person who likes to go from store to store in the more traditional downtown shopping area can select from nationally advertised brands in food, clothing and other goods. City operated parking lots accommodating 250 cars, and on-street parking put stores just steps away whatever the personal preference. The mall covers an area of more than 200,000 square feet with parking for 1,205 cars. A large discount department store is located in a redeveloped downtown site.

Visitors seeking overnight accommodations have their choice of six motels and hotels with a total of more than 300 rooms.

Serving the financial needs are two commercial and two savings banks in addition to several finance companies.

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The joy of shopping



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In Touch with the World

Bradford is served by a sophisticated network of communications and transportation which puts the city in contact with any spot on the globe.

The Bradford Regional Airport, served with a daily schedule of flights by Allegheny Airlines, takes the air traveler into the center of such cities as New York, Pittsburgh,



and Philadelphia more rapidly than many daily commuters to those cities can drive there.

Mile-a-minute superhighways are close by. Route 219, the north-south route on which Bradford is located, is being improved to a four-lane road from Buffalo, N.Y., to West Virginia. A \$10-million project is now under way relocating the road where it passes through Bradford. South of Bradford is the east-west Interstate 80 and a short distance to the north, the soon to be completed New York Route 17.

Intercity passenger service is provided by three bus lines. Freight service is available from two railroads and eight trucking firms. Pennsylvania Electric Company, United Natural Gas Company, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania and Bell Telephone of Pennsylvania provide utilities.

News and entertainment are given by a morning daily newspaper, a weekly newspaper, a radio station, and ten television channels on a cable, a direct link to New York, Buffalo, and Erie among other cities.

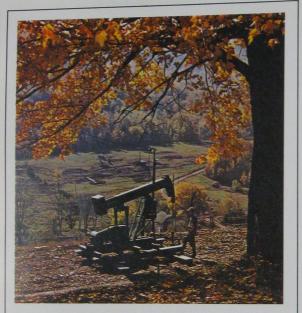


Bradford Regional Airport



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Bradford is a strategic city in the crude oil production sphere of Pennzoil United's elevating resource operations. At some 6,000 barrels daily, Pennzoil remains the largest Penn Grade crude oil producer. This supply furnishes crude oil to three refineries that manufacture renowned Pennzoil Motor Oil. To provide a continued supply of Penn Grade crude, Pennzoil United is actively engaged in the investigation of new methods for oil recovery through production research.

Pennzoil United, having been in the Penn Grade picture for many years, today explores for oil and gas in various other areas of North America, also South America, the North Sea, England, and Indonesia.

United Gas Pipe Line Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary, handles almost ten percent of the natural gas consumed in the United States.

Through Duval Corporation, Pennzoil United has escalated its position as a major Free World Producer of strategic metals and minerals.

Houston, Texas headquarters is the home of these natural resource activities, but to the Company, Bradford is also home.

PENNZOIL UNITED, INC., THE NATURAL RESOURCE COMPANY

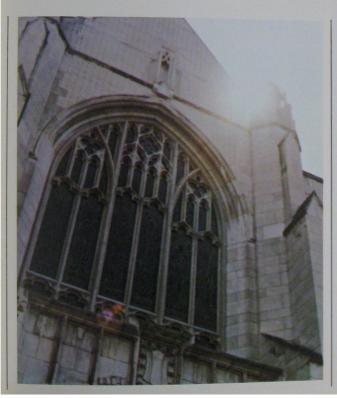
Established in 1926, the Producers Bank today has four offices, three in Bradford, one in Smethport. McKean County has benefited by the bank's innovations in many fields. For example, this bank was the first to have an installment loan department, drive-in banking facilities, modern proof machine operation, electronic bookkeeping machines, school savings accounts, thrifty-check checking accounts, and an internationally accepted bank credit card (Master Charge). This is the true pioneer bank of Bradford, the bank that lives up to its reputation of efficiency, professional staff, and modern standards - The Producers Bank.

Producers Bank



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Churches...Working Together



Religious faith has always been evident in the community spirit of Bradford.

The earliest settlers were of the Baptist faith. It has been related that in the spring before the raftsmen began their long journey to Pittsburgh, the good citizens of Bradford, believing the risk to life and limb in physical danger was enough without inviting spiritual peril, insisted they be baptized. The ceremony was duly scheduled for the Sunday before departure. By 1875 there were ten churches in Bradford and today that number has grown to 36 Protestant churches, three Roman Catholic churches, and a synagogue. They all work together toward common goals through a council of churches. Individually the churches work toward the improvement of the community through programs for youth and adults.

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Statistics

GEOGRAPHIC:

Bradford is located in northwest Pennsylvania near the New York State line, 79 miles south of Buffalo and 157 miles north of Pittsburgh. Route 219 is the main north-south route through the city.

Altitude: 1443 feet above sea level

Climate:

Average temperature for January is 28° and average July temperature is 71°.

Precipitation:

Average annual 45 inches

POPULATION:

City: 15,000 (Est. 1969)

Metropolitan Area: 30,000 (Est. 1969)

EDUCATION:

Bradford Area School System has one high school, two junior high schools and fourteen elementary schools. The Parochial system has a high school and elementary school.

The University of Pittsburgh at Bradford provides the first two years of college credit courses, and graduate courses at the Master's level.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

Council-Manager - Mayor and council elected by citizens. Manager supervises daily operation.

Fire and Police Department Staffed by full-time paid civil service employees.

HEALTH SERVICES:

Bradford Hospital: 223 beds

3 Nursing Homes

UTILITIES:

Electricity - Pennsylvania Electric Company

Natural Gas - United Natural Gas Company & Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania

Telephone - Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania

Water - Bradford Water Authority. The city's three reservoirs hold more than a billion gallons of highquality water.

Sanitation - Bradford Sanitary Authority. A modern two-milliondollar sewage treatment and refuse

TRANSPORTATION:

Railroads: Baltimore & Ohio Erie-Lackawanna

Motor Freight: Eight major lines

Bus Lines: Blue Bird Coach Lines Edwards Motor Transit, Inc. Seaway Coach Lines

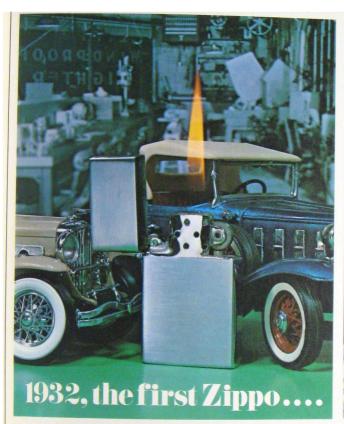
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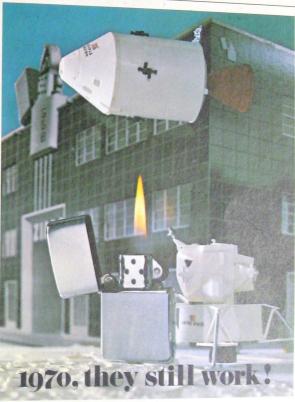


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