



'The President Has Been Shot'



The President may be dead, but the phone lines can't go dead. Robert Kline, 418 E. 4th Street, Bloomsburg, and Edward Fenstermacher, Light Street, Pa., make repairs even though JFK is being buried. Mr. Kline paused in his work to say, "This killing business is not a good reflection on this country. Regardless of what, who or how, the killing of the President could not have been done by anyone calling himself a good American citizen." Mr. Fenstermacher said that he didn't believe in doing the kind of thing that was done to the President. "Oswald's death, too, is a mistake," he said, "because there is still much to be learned about him and why he did it."

'I Just Heard the News'



When the first reports of the shooting of the President were heard, men and women began to cluster in small groups on the street, to exchange bits of information they had heard, to ask: "Is he dead?" Shocked, unbelieving, some went to TV appliance stores in the business district and watched the story from Dallas unfold on demonstration sets. Customers and salesmen watched in silence, too stunned to transact for the moment their daily business.

'How Could It Happen Here?'



"Is what they're saying true?" a man asked on Sanbury Street. "The President's been shot!" one man called to a friend passing in

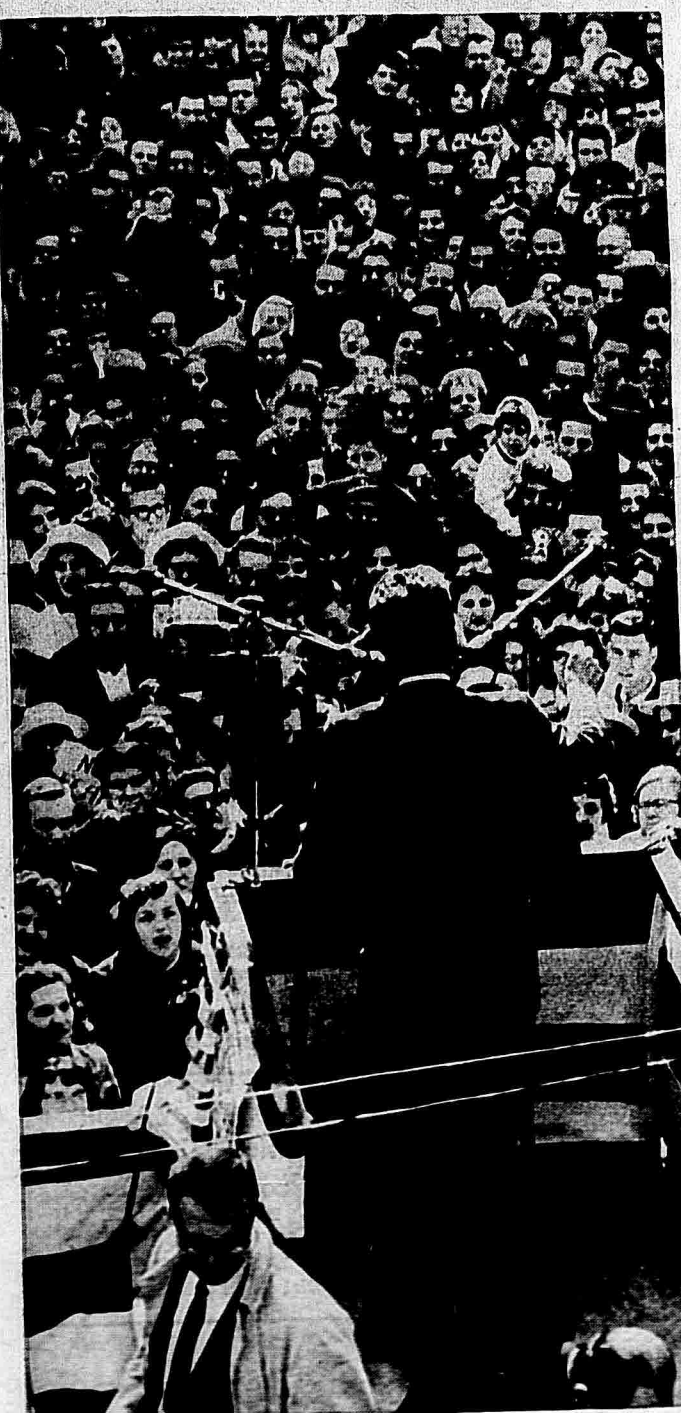


a car, and the man braked his car to a dead stop. In fact, almost everything came to a stop on that Black Friday afternoon. And the awesome news changed the day, changed the activities of the hour, turned the minutes into the slow tickings of a nation's heart.

Area Visits During 1960 Campaign



Kennedy in Hazleton



Crowds estimated at over 10,000 crowded into Hazleton's shopping area on Friday, October 28, 1960 to catch a glimpse of and hear the then-Senator John F. Kennedy deliver a campaign speech. They waited for more than five hours, never becoming impatient, because the campaign caravan was running more than two hours behind schedule. The ovation that thundered across Hazleton that day for this man who was to lead our nation will never be forgotten.

Above, Lyndon Johnson, then Senator and now President of the United States, is shown addressing a crowd estimated at over 2,500 during visit to Shamokin on Tuesday, October 18, 1960. In photo below, taken on same day by Dick Patrick, the affable man from Texas leaned forward from speakers' platform to talk to local people. The new President once described himself as "a free man, an American, a U. S. Senator, and a Democrat in that order. I am also a liberal, a conservative, a Texan, a taxpayer, a rancher, a businessman, a parent, a voter, and not as young as I used to be, nor as old as I expect to be—and I am all those things in no fixed order."

The 36th President

