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Luzerne and Wyoming County League To Open Season With Six Clubs— The Bell Will Sound April 28th

From all indications the Rural League should have a banner year. Six clubs have taken out their franchise and each club has added enough strength to assure them a crack at the pennant, at least all managers are more than confident. What a league this should be. Noxen had their representative at the meeting but refused to go along with a local club, thereby withdrawing their franchise. Shavertown was not represented and while they presented a roster for inspection the managers could not see where their interest in the league should warrant a franchise and therefore voted to return the guarantee held by the league from last season. This leaves Beaumont, East Dallas, West Wyoming, Dallas, Roaring Brook and Hunlock's Creek as a six-team league and gives the boys a fine circuit to travel each Saturday afternoon.

As the base ball fever ran high the boys decided to open the season April 28th, two weeks earlier than last season, which will allow for a three game series in the eliminations and a three-game series in the play-off for the pennant. A large delegation of live-wire fans attended the meeting as well as several ball players who were free to sign with any club in the circuit, prominent among them being: Doc Traver, Chet Culbert and Pinkey Swingle, all first-class pitchers. Bob MacDougle, one of the most active members of the league will arrange a schedule for the boys to be presented at the next meeting and then everything will be set for the umpire to call play ball, the word the boys

are all looking forward too. Following are the club rosters as passed by the Board of Managers and made eligible:

Dallas—Ray, Stitzer, Reese, Woolbert, Besecker, Evans, Lasco, Wm. LaBar, Learn, Reigles, Geo. Williams, Bob Moore, Rogers, Gebhart, Anderson, Peyton Lee, Clyde LaBar, manager.

East Dallas—N. Rogers, R. Rogers, H. Wright, Spencer, Crosby, Volinger, Durland, Renshaw, B. Williams, Montross, W. Wright, Ide, Sutton, Scoutin, Broden, Cummings, E. Wilson, F. Wilson, T. Wilson, Culbert, Dodd.

Beaumont—Chas. Smith, Clarence Smith, Arthur Smith, McDougle, Jno. Denman, Besteder, Story, Austin, Hilbert, Fritz, Wadas, Kranack, Richards, Geo. Stevens, Doc Traver, D. Evans, E. Denman, Dress, Gay, Zarnick.

West Wyoming—Geo. Kirk, William Kirk, Thomas Kirk, Weiss, Pazinsky, Galenty, Fosks, Sitor, Stradzas, Eckrothe, Milnik, D. Williams, Banks, Chas. Curry.

Hunlock's Creek—Rummage, Wm. Sorber, Hunter, M. Sorber, George Wildoier, F. Sorber, Bellas, D. Wolf, J. Lipko, S. Sorber, Davis, Wolf, Lewis, Warntz, Jones, Wandall, Simons, E. Sorber, M. Lipko, Croop, C. Wildoner, Englehart, Cumberland.

Roaring Brook—Glen Gregory, Gerald Gregory, Benscotter, D. Brader, C. Brader, Harrison, Thomas, Jinkins, Dippe, R. Kocker, Seafoss, Bonham, L. Brader, B. Whitesell, Kendig, H. Austin, Locke, J. Kocker.

Easter Egg Hunt At Fernbrook Park Scheduled To Start at 2 P. M. This Afternoon --- All In Readiness

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Dallas Rotary which is to be held at Fernbrook Park, Fernbrook this afternoon at 2 p. m. bids well in the great amount of interest being shown by both young and old.

Almost every parent in this Greater Dallas section, from Luzerne to Noxen have been besieged with requests by their youngsters to take them to the park today.

Girl Scouts In Charge

The several Girl Scout Troops in this section comprising Dallas, Nox-

en, Lehman, Shavertown and Trucks-ville have taken charge of hiding the eggs and patrolling the grounds.

On Thursday evening over thirty Girl Scouts under the supervision of several Rotarians, dyed approximately one thousand eggs.

Through the generosity of Earl Monk who donated the use of his large garage at Shavertown made a fine heated place for the coloring of the eggs.

Prizes will be awarded for each class of entrants.

Winners will be noticed in next week's issue of The Post.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Automobile Parking

Several accidents have been narrowly averted the past several weeks due to autoists parking too near street intersection on Main Street. The greatest number of offenders seem to be those who park on Main Street in front of the Rustine residence and the A. & P. Stores and the Dallas Hardware. It seems that when these autoists park, they park flush to the street intersections and when other autoists come out of either Rice or Huntsville Street, it takes some maneuvering to avoid striking these parked cars. Officer Avery has been very busy the past week warning these people and it is hoped that this condition will be eliminated.

Beautiful Window Display
With Easter here one does not have to go far before he sees finer flowers than the average including potted plants on display in Thom Higgins' window at his place of business on Main Street. Thom has made arrangements with a local florist to supply the demands of local people in flowers and plants.

Of Service To Autoists
James Oliver has installed at his garage on Main Street, one of the latest in air stations for the benefit of the traveling autoists.

Jim has installed the latest air pumps that can be had. While putting air in one's tires, this air guage automatically shows just what pressure the tire records. This saves time and labor to the autoist and we are quite sure is greatly appreciated by those using the service station of our local townsman.

DALLAS PERSONALS

Mrs. Claude Isaacs entertained the Dallas Bridge Club at her home Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Betcher moved from their farm in Huntsville to Maple Heights in the Fernbrook section.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brinkel entertained at a family Easter dinner at their home Friday afternoon.

The Rotarians, with the help of the Girl Scouts, gathered at Earl Monk's last night to color eggs for the Annual Egg Hunt today.

Calvin McHose, principal of Laketon High School, is spending the Easter vacation at his home in Hazleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Warden Kunkle and Mrs. Elizabeth Kunkle have arrived home safely after a three months tour of Florida.

The party spent two months in Port Ritchie. They traveled to the West coast to Fort Meyers then by the Tamiami Trail to Miami.

They covered 4,705 miles on the trip. The party look well tanned. Warden says they are not only well but better looking.

Albert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Remmel Ide, of Meeker, a student at State College, was taken ill with scarlet fever. He is resting comfortably at this writing but will not be able to spend the Easter vacation with his parents.

Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of William P. McCarty, passed away at her home in Shavertown early Thursday morning after an illness of four weeks duration. She is survived by her husband, her mother, Mrs. I. L. Denison, and one sister, Mrs. Howard Leek. Services will be held from the late home this afternoon.

The only son of Mr. and Mrs. Knecht, of Centre Hill Road is in bed with pneumonia. This is the second attack, he having been seriously ill last year.

Madelyn McHenry arrived home from the Mercy Hospital last Sunday. Her father, L. A. McHenry, has had a violet ray glass window installed to help bring his little daughter back to health.

J. F. Besecker and Mrs. Besecker have both been ill for the past week, but are able to be around again.

Motorist will be glad to learn that Earl Monk has installed one of the latest air pumps in front of his building in Shavertown. One youngster too kadvantage of it the first day. He wanted to change the air in his bicycle tires, as it had been in there all winter.

Several members of the Dallas Chapter, O. E. S., motored to Plymouth Saturday evening to attend the installation of officers of the Plymouth Chapter.

Leonard Machell continues to improve at the hospital. He expects to be home this afternoon. Mrs. Robert Moore, of this place, has been his private nurse.

The Ladies' Aid served dinner at the church Monday and Wednesday for the men who are on the Canvassing Committee.

Mr. J. Hillard, of Plymouth, has purchased the Reese building on Main Street. He expects to remodel the place into an up-to-date garage with day and night service. It will be known as the Dallas Motor Car Company.

Miss Marie Woolbert entertained a few friends at her home Thursday evening.

Dr. George K. Swartz has moved his family from the Sullivan building to the Rice home, which they recently purchased. His new office rooms not being quite finished, he expects to keep the old ones for a short time. The young son of Prof. and Mrs. Ernest Wood has been under the Doctor's care the past week.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reese was brightened last Friday by the arrival of a daughter. This is the first girl in the family so "Tomnie" is wearing a broad grin. Shirley Mae and her mother are doing nately.

The many friends of Mrs. John Jeter are glad to hear that she is recovering from a serious operation, and expects to come home today.

Misses Dorothy Patterson, Marie Woolbert and Elizabeth Love arrived home from the West Chester State Teachers' College for the Easter vacation.

Dallas Scouts Entertain Dads In Fine Manner

Inspiration, good cheer, and gratification were the three big things evolving from the gathering of Girl Scouts fathers, committee women and friends present at the Dallas Girl Scout banquet last evening. The banquet was the second annual affair of its kind and was a great success.

The menus, favors and games carried out the nature parts of Girl Scouting and were the ideas of Mrs. J. P. Wilson and the members of the Troop No. 9. During the banquet those in attendance were well entertained by Rev. Harry Henry who represented the Dallas Kiwanis Club and the singing was very efficient, being led by Thomas Higgins of the Rotary Club. Speakers of the evening included Mrs. Edward Conrad who gave a most inspiring talk on the benefits derived from attendance at the local Girl Scout Camp Onawandah; Mr. R. Space gave the "Fathers Viewpoint on Girl Scouting" and the teachers views were very well shown by Professor R. J. Templin.

Mrs. A. S. Culbert, district chairman of the Dallas district, gave the address of welcome and her very interesting talk included the "Aims and Ideals of Girl Scouting," also the progress of the Dallas troops.

Following the banquet supper a playlet entitled "The Girl Scout Magic," was presented by Doris Roberts, Deborah Jeter, Alberta Hofmeister and Lillian Spencer, after which a number of girls were invested by the captain of the Troop, Mrs. J. P. Wilson. The girls invested are: Alice Baer, Margaret Hill, Helen Himmeler, Martha Ruff, Catherine Gensel, Catherine Griffen, Madge Supace, Ruth Kintz, Margaret Elston, Betty Cooke, Lillian Spencer, Lois Gregory, Alice Johnston, Margaret Culp, Mrs. J. L. Kintz, Mrs. A. D. Hull, Mrs. Lulu Beisel, Cleminthe Lawrence and Valeria Lawrence, who have successfully completed entrance requirements for admission.

A large number of proficient badges were awarded by Mrs. Edward Conrad, commissioner of the Wyoming Valley Council, including second class, tree finder, signaller, scholarship, needlewoman, musician, motorist, laundress, horsewoman, home nurse, health winner, Girl Scout observer, first aid, dressmaker, craftsmen, cook, citizen, child nurse, artist and scholarship.

The banquet was arranged by Mrs. J. P. Wilson, Mrs. Arthur Thomas, Mrs. Paul Gordon and Miss Lillian Rood, officers of the troop, and the following committee members: Mrs. Ruth Cairl, Mrs. J. L. Kintz, Mrs. A. S. Hull, Mrs. R. R. Rood, Mrs. Sterling Machell, Mrs. Lulu Beisel and Mrs. A. C. Culbert.

The Scouts are standing always on the threshold of new and better things. Our immediate prospect is moving our regular meetings into the new high school building. We love the old because of its associations with happy times but the newness and completeness of our fine new building is an invitation to every organization in our community to cover its future with glory and the Scouts feel that they have a great share in that business. Also the Scouts of tonight are aware that the fathers of their generation are directly responsible for the new building with its gymnasium ready for games and exercise which are so necessary a part of Scout life.

And I am happy that it is my privilege in our welcome to express the Scouts appreciation of the great and little sacrifices the fathers have made in order that daughters may become fine citizens.

A man going his name as Mr. Scott, ran his Ford into a telephone pole near the Goss school last Tuesday afternoon. He was taken to the office of Dr. Swartz by Chief of Police Avery. He suffered minor injuries and was later locked in the jail for awhile to sober up. A few pigs in the car were uninjured and were taken on to Kunkle by some friends.

Mrs. Edith Adelman is spending some time with friends at Berkshire, New York.

D. A. WATERS AND OUR SCHOOLS

Dallas, Pa.,
March 26, 1929.
EDITOR DALLAS POST:

Not to conduct a controversy with Mr. Morris, of which there has been more than enough in board meetings, but solely to give the readers of your paper the true conditions in the borough schools, this statement is submitted. In the event it is printed, it must be done without any expense to the school district or the undersigned. On account of the numerous letters published by Mr. Morris during the past year, this complete reply is necessarily long, as heretofore the other directors have been too busy improving the schools to be able to make public reply to the several letters.

The school operating and building problem in Dallas Borough is not a fanciful creation of any of the present or past directors, but is caused by the increased enrollment in the schools as shown by the following table, 1922-23, selected at random, being used for comparison with the present school year.

Enrollment—1922	1928
Grade 1	12 38
Grade 2	14 34
Grade 3	11 26
Grade 4	16 28
Grade 5	12 35
Grade 6	17 23
Grade 7	12 29
Grade 8	9 14
Total	103 227
Teachers	3 6 1/2
Av. pupils per teacher	34 36

NOTE:—Grades 7 and 8 are being taught by the high school faculty one and one-fourth times the time of one teacher being used and allowed above. It will be seen that each teacher is now actually teaching more pupils, as an average. It may also be noted that the higher grades now, which were the early grades in 1922, have actually increased in enrollment.

Similar comparison of the high school cannot be made, as there have been outside tuition pupils to be considered, but this question will be more fully covered in a later paragraph.

School building facilities in 1922 were adequate, there being three grade rooms for 103 pupils and one large room for the high school with a floor capacity of approximately 80 pupils.

With this introduction, the several items discussed by Mr. Morris will be taken up as they appear in his last article excepting that the subject of the high school changes will be taken together at the conclusion of the letter.

Regarding the state appropriation it is true that the district has not received its complete reimbursement. State appropriations are made by the state legislature in each odd numbered year, based on the reports of the school the preceding school year. Recent appropriations have been therefore based on the school payroll for 1926, at which time five teachers were employed, four rated as grade and one as high school. The district received \$450 for each grade teacher and \$585 for each high school teacher, which would total \$2,385. From this was deducted a small amount for the salary of the county superintendent and \$68.50 due to one of the teachers having an inferior certificate. The employment of additional teachers this year has raised the rate of appropriation, subject to the ap-

proval of the State Council, so that including back appropriation now due, the district should receive a maximum of \$5,625 next year. In the event the increased rating is not approved, this will be a few hundred dollars less.

As to the coal consumption, not all the details are explained by Mr. Morris. To dry out the new building the fires were burned practically 50 per cent or more longer each day during the month of February than usual. Also none of the main or feed pipes were at that time covered which made an immense waste of heat as far as the rooms were concerned, although this helped to dry the building. February and March, although somewhat mild this year, are the worst months of the year when it comes to heating. Also there is considerable coal now on hand already paid for. To date there has been placed in the new building 9 tons pea coal and 10 1/2 tons buckwheat, total cost \$135. This will cover the heating cost for two months, under very adverse conditions, and ought to be much less under normal operation.

The additional electrical expense referred to by Mr. Morris is by no means unusual but is the normal condition. Section 621 of the school code requires that there shall be run into the rooms at least 30 cubic feet of fresh air per minute per pupil. To do this it is necessary to run the fan which was installed for this purpose and has absolutely no other use. The shutting off of the fan to save electrical bills is a plain violation of a mandatory provision of the law, and a violation of all dictates of common sense as the health of the children requires that a large number seated in one place for three hours at a time must have ventilation.

Not only that, but the heating system was designed to be operated with the fan running and will not properly operate without it. The firm which built the system, the firm which repaired it this year, and the chief fuel engineer of one of the largest anthracite coal producers in the world, all agreed, after inspection, that less coal would be required and better heat furnished by running the fan. Even if the law permitted less, most of the directors feel that the people of the town want the children to have an adequate supply of fresh air at any cost.

The remarks regarding the location of the furnace are not understood. There are now four heating plants being operated and the heating comments of Mr. Morris cannot be applied to any of them and for this reason proper reply cannot be made. The only heating unit not located as nearly as practicable to the center of the area to be heated is the steam boiler in the new building. Since the steam is handled through covered mains, a few feet change in the location of the boiler is of no effect as there is a complete circuit and putting the boiler at one point instead of another would in no way reduce the length or size of the mains.

It is apparent that Mr. Morris does not understand the seating situation at all. Most of the school seats in the old building had been in use so long that no one knew when they were installed. The desks were cut up and defaced so that they were entirely unsuited to any reasonable school use. Transferring the larger

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