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## EDITORIAL COLUMN

Devoted to the Current Topics of the Day

### WHAT ABOUT THIS UPPER WEST SIDE?

What is this Upper West Side? To answer the question we must say it comprises the largest area of any community in Greater Wyoming Valley. In addition it has some 20,000 people and an assessed property valuation of nearly ten million dollars with an actual valuation of more than fifty million. It begins at Hillside and encompasses Carverton, Orange, Centremoreland, Beaumont, Noxen, Outlet, Pike's Creek, Sweet Valley, Chase and all the territory in the middle. A great majority of its people own their homes. They are 100% American and practically all American-born. There are three fire companies. Huge sums are invested in public school buildings and in a mass of churches. A fortune is spent annually to support these schools and churches. Strange to say it has only two banks. It has one of the best summer resorts in the State of Pennsylvania; a girls' college; one of the very best country clubs in the State. Just this brief surface view of the Upper West Side reveals a wealth of assets. It is growing, growing unbelievably fast. It has much—it needs more. Ask yourself and ask your neighbor: "What does the Upper West Side need most?" If you will then mail your replies to the contributors column of The Post and be reasonably brief, we will print them all in forthcoming issues.

### DALLAS MILK ORDINANCE

The Dallas Milk Ordinance is one of the best ordinances ever passed by the local council. The members did not wait for the horse to be stolen before locking the door. Happily, we never have had an epidemic caused by contaminated milk. Now we never should. Happily again, the ordinance causes practically no hardship whatever to our retail milk dealers. They were for the most part already voluntarily doing what the ordinance now demands.

### CONTRIBUTORS COLUMN

#### Chickens

Editor Dallas Post:

Some time ago your paper printed complaints sent in about the dog nuisance. How they ruined lawns, gardens, and doing much damage. The law took it up and imposed a fine on dogs allowed to run loose. Since then, most owners of dogs have kept them at home, but there is another nuisance which is greater than the dog, the chickens. They do more damage to neighbors property than dogs could do. One man told me last summer his neighbor's chickens not only ruined his lawn which had taken years to make, but they dug out bushes, flowers, and destroyed the flower beds, and it cost him about thirty cents a day for feed which they took from his garage and barn. There must be a law, or there should be, to compel people who keep chickens to build a fence and keep them on their own property. I am struggling with a new lawn myself at a great expense, trying to have a respectable looking place, but I can not spend more than half my time throwing stones at my neighbor's chickens.

Mrs. M. C. JETER.

#### Views of An Outsider

Without doubt the most appalling mess any small community ever got itself into, politically and otherwise, is now being experienced by Dallas Borough. The time for reconsidering has long since passed. The epidemic of aibis that has been offered to the citizens of this town, as well as being carried far beyond its borders, has become absolutely nauseating. Whatever happens from now on must, in the very nature of things, be in the order of anti-climax. Action and plenty of it, well directed, is the only thing that can save the situation as it now stands. Reference is here made to the political phase, with special emphasis on the activities of your far-famed school board.

Let us review the misdeeds of this August body and then proceed with the remedies. Before going further it must be noted that these remarks are not addressed to the minority group of the board.

From all outward indications, the man who has been personally responsible for the catastrophe in question, has tried to set up a self-imposed dictatorship for all things pertaining to public school education in your midst. Now, in order to run a successful dictatorship, the most vital adjunct is brains. Fortunately for the borough, this item is not listed among your dictators' assets, and what's more, he even admits that he was denied the privilege of obtaining any when he went through the Dallas school, so he is going to fix it so that others won't have the same misfortune. And how? Simply by removing the teachers of merit and retaining the others.

If you can't compute that one, put yourself down as a dud. But lets go back to your nice new fire-proof school house. Well sit on the steps so he can't throw us out, we won't

need the lights, for there is already too much light thrown on it. At the outset the building was to cost about \$41,000, according to your dictator, but on authoritative information, it has actually cost about \$65,000 to date and is not finished yet. Never mind the dedications. You people back here in the woods don't understand such things.

The vogue is to dedicate each part as it is hauled on the lot, such as the cinder blocks that form the artistic inner walls, the disappearing clothes closets and the nobby heating plant. This latter, by the way, is unique. The coal is in one corner of the cellar, the furnace in another. The ashes are placed neatly alongside of it. The reason for the inside ash pile is that if the fireman attempted to carry them out after he had cooled his fire, the fire would be out before he got back. But this is all according to the plans and specifications of your dictator's hand-picked architect, so here is another proof positive of the vacuum-equipped one-man school board.

The masterpiece of the entire layout appears to be the combination auditorium, dance hall, gymnasium. This was supposedly installed to mop up all the stragglers in thought who were not in entire accord with the rest of the scheme as it sized up while in the course of construction. Much emphasis is placed upon the empty space on the second floor, another little bit of unfinished business. When this section is dedicated the visitors will be introduced to an ultra-modern, super-convenient means of approach to the second floor of the last word in building construction. In the days of our forefathers this device was called a ladder, but the term applied in this case is held strictly in reserve and will be passed on only to those presenting cards at the door. When the State representative from the Department of Education came here to inspect this cross between a garage and a zoo, his first question upon entering the inner portals was, "When are you going to finish it?" This was addressed to your dictator. Just to show you how far astray the untrained mind can go at times my answer would have been, "When we get the money," but not so with your dictator. He nonchalantly replied to the effect that he was going right ahead with the work. This little incident was injected merely to show you what a clever dictator you have when he is put under extemporaneous strain. Now the funds which were intended to handle this enterprise played one of the minor roles up to the time that it was brought to its present state of unfinished completion. But as to what happens from now on, your guess is as good as mine. The following data are alleged to be approximately accurate:

1. The school board has already borrowed more money than it is legally permitted to.
2. The bank has refused the board any further loans.
3. Undaunted by these two setbacks, the board is still gunning for more money from anyone who is willing to kiss it good bye.

Ordinarily, and to the average person, the situation would seem a little depressed. How it sizes up to your dictator is a matter of conjecture. What is your opinion, brother, when

## The WEEK'S DOINGS

Between \$400,000 and \$500,000 has been allotted to Wyoming County this year by the State Highway Department for road repair work. This is a small amount compared with that allotted to other counties throughout the State. For several years Wyoming County commissioners have failed to take advantage of opportunities for State aid in road construction and have been severely criticised by State Highway officials and citizens.

He was just an odd job man and considered poor financially, but when Michael Breagan, 70, died this week in the Athens Hotel in Bradford County, the coroner found nearly \$11,000 in his pockets. Two nieces in Grand Rapids, Michigan, are Breagan's only heirs.

Fifty-eight men and two officers now make up the roster of Troop B, State police at Wyoming. Seven new members from the State training school at Hershey were transferred to the barracks this week. The average age of the new troopers is 24.

Lon Chaney, screen actor, famous for his character portrayals, is seriously ill with influenza at his home in Beverly Hills, California.

Scranton-Spring Brook Water Supply Company, often called Water Octopus, gougers and similar disparaging names, this week placed advertising in many newspapers. The advertising called attention to happenings of thirty years ago as compared with incidents of today. The company claims not to have raised its rates during a thirty year period and points out the percentage increase in costs of many other commodities. The Scranton Times, ever active in the campaign against increased rates, is called upon the carpet for its great increases in advertising rates over a period of thirty years while water rates have remained constant.

The Saturday Evening Post last week carried more than ten pages of Woolworth 5 and 10 cent store advertising. The occasion was the fiftieth anniversary of the great chain which now stretches around the world. The advertisement was written by McNeilis-Weir Advertising Agency, of our city and New York. Catherine McNelis, former advertising manager of the Boston Store, Wilkes-Barre and Hugh Weir, free lance newspaper man, are the two partners of the advertising firm.

### Huntsville

The Ladies' Aid of the Huntsville Christian Church met at the church on Thursday, April 25, for its monthly meeting. An excellent dinner was served by the third division.

Miss Ella Frantz spent the weekend as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Frick, of Sweet Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Culp, Lewis and Howard Culp and Mrs. Bertha Jenkins visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter O. Lutz on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Hazle Bogart spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Moore, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Jones and family, Miss Rachael Evans, of Kingston, Miss Gertrude and Arline Culp of this place, were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Covert on Sunday.

A fairly large crowd attended "Ye Ole Tyme Singin' Skule" which was presented at the Christian Church by the members of the Firwood Church of Christ. The cast consisted of about fifty persons. All were dressed in old-fashioned clothes and were a great source of amusement to the audience.

Elwood Terry and Stephen Bombick attended a party given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kinsman of Hayfield Farm recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Moore have taken up their residence in the Lamoreaux home at Huntsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Moss are now living in the new part of their house. They have been having their place remodeled for the past several weeks. Elmer Major, of this place is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edwards are having their road stand remodeled. We hope that the stand will bring many customers this summer as it has done in the past.

a bank refuses a loan to the school board? As a rule they are out after this kind of business. If there is any question about where the money is to come from to pay for the dictator's wild orgy of frenzied finance, look over your tax cards when they come along. In this connection I wonder if at least two members of the coalition that linked themselves up with the dictator after deserting the only brains that the board can boast of, have had any heavy thoughts. These members are substantial property owners in the borough. It won't be so tough though to be required to help pay the bill; look at all the glory you have shared. The foregoing was intentionally meant as a criticism if you have not interpreted it that way. Since I don't believe in criticising without offering something better in its place, I will suggest the following line of procedure which is based on sound business judgment. Rid yourselves of the dictatorship now. Don't wait for elections or other formalities, but go about it with sufficient rigor to impress his successors that such tactics will not be countenanced in the borough. If necessary resort to the courts. Sometime ago he made a statement in the public press that he was going to resign anyway. You will be money ahead in the end.

—An Outsider.

C. J. Eipper

### The Aim Is To Restrain The Calf

By Albert T. Reid



### I FEARED AROUND THE CORNER

#### Base Ball

It is too bad that our local base ball team cannot have a ball diamond. It seems that we have sufficient land about town to donate same, let alone use of it.

#### Petty Robberies

Several stores in our locality have been visited by petty thieves and more particularly the A. & P. Store at Shavertown. It is about time that a few examples be made. A certain few young men in our locality have been rather active and they should be apprehended.

#### The Sunday Telegram

We note that Dallas is once again appearing in the Wilkes-Barre Telegram. It sure started off quite spicy and just a little too aggressive. However, the new owners of the Telegram are trying hard to give us a first class paper and will expect real news from their correspondents.

#### The Milk Ordinance

A little comment has been heard on the Milk Ordinance which in the main is quite favorable and now that it has been passed it should be enforced.

#### SOUDER-RINUS

The wedding of Miss Elsie Rinus and Albert T. Souder was solemnized in Lutheran Church at Shavertown, Tuesday, at 5:30 p. m. Rev. E. Elson Ruff officiated and the ring ceremony was used.

The bride was attractively gowned in white crepe de chine, trimmed with real lace and tiny rosebuds, studded with pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of white bridal roses and sweet peas. Her veil was coronet style, with orange blossoms, brilliants and pearls, edged with real lace to match her gown. She wore a string of pearls, the gift of the groom.

The maid of honor was Miss Gertrude Weaver, of Centremoreland, and the best man, Wayne Weaver of Centremoreland. Bridesmaid were Miss Margaret Knorr, of Wyoming; Miss Dorthea Smith, of Larksville; Miss Carolyn Allen, of Plymouth. Flower girls, Blanche Marcy of Wilkes-Barre; Clara Weaver, of Centremoreland. Edward Rinus, brother of the bride and Elliott Miller, of Larksville were the pages. Ushers were Joseph Mertis, of Plymouth, and Myron Marcy, of Luzerne. Before the ceremony Mrs. Elliott Miller, of Larksville, sang an appropriate number, accompanied on the organ by Mrs. Elsie DeWitt Swartz, the church organist. A wedding supper was served to about a hundred guests. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts. They will be at home to their friends in a newly furnished home at Mt. Greenwood after May 15th.

### THE BOSTON STORE



## Planting a Garden?

You'll find everything you need here! Rakes, hoes, sprinkling cans, spades, etc. No work to gardening these good, new tools.

Garden Rakes \$1.00

You'll find these stoutly made garden rakes just the thing you need for your spring gardening.

Spading Forks \$1.00

Easy to use spading forks with smooth polished handles. Of steel. A timely special.

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These lawn brooms will clean up your garden in a jiffy. They pick up everything!

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