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WHY PUBLICITY

When John Coolidge and Florence Trumbull will be united in the bonds of matrimony on September 23 at the simple Plainville, Conn., Congregational Church, the good wishes and love of a nation will speed them on their journey over the matrimonial seas. But isn't it so with every young couple getting married for the first time?

Why should there be so much excitement over John and Florence? Or, for that matter, Lindy and Anne? The girls in the case are simply doing what every gum-chewing little True Story reader dreams of doing. John flunked most of his exams when he was in Amherst and like lots of other normal college students, spent a lot of time at summer schools getting extra degrees—maybe? As for Lindy—oh, well, he's a hero—and we Americans do love heroes.

The answer to the appellation being spread all over the front pages of America concerning the forthcoming marriage is that the war between Russia and China isn't quite big enough to fill the pages. And the ever-busy newspaper man must make a story. The newspapers of America make fools out of the readers and fools out of the subjects of their stories. John Coolidge is a good fellow and so is his best girl, Florence. But we're pretty much fed up on seeing their pictures, reading their life histories and seeing every intimate detail of their courtship spread over the front pages of the country.

Let the newspapers lay off—and let the sons and daughters of the great men of America be the good fellows that they are.

A REAL NEED

Noxen saw the need of fire-fighting apparatus on Sunday night when its citizens helplessly stood by and watched a home consumed when a cheap chemical outfit could have put it out.

No town the size of Noxen can watch such disasters year after year without feeling a distinct loss of self-respect. Today there is no town so small or so poor that it cannot afford fire protection of some sort.

With an industry the size of the J. K. Mosser plant at Noxen and with all the fine sprinkling systems and fire protection that that plant may have, there is no reason why the Armour Company should not contribute to the cause of fire-fighting equipment if properly approached by a determined citizenry.

The first step to be taken is to do something. Those who are gifted with eyes to see and ears to hear should lead the rest. It means work, and hard work to pay for a fire engine, but the sense of security and satisfaction derived from it far offsets any expenditure of energy which may be expended toward obtaining it.

WHY NOT A LIBRARY?

Frequently we wonder whether Dallas is ever community-minded or whether for the most part we are not all rather willing to sit back and live pretty much to ourselves without being concerned about the problems of the other fellow or the community as a whole.

The Dr. Henry M. Laing fire company is the outstanding example in the borough of what a little community cooperation can accomplish. After we've cited the fire company we look in vain for further examples of civic accomplishment brought about by the unselfish cooperation of Dallas citizens.

A petty political squabble, a dog fight, or some other trivial matter is sure to find plenty of support on both sides. On a question so important as education the borough immediately splits in two. Howls are set up on all sides and instead of getting together to accomplish something each group tries to knife the other. The effort to get better schools and give children the education they deserve is forgotten in petty bickering. Its time that Dallas go out of the hick town stage and its citizens become more interested in what other towns of the same size are accomplishing.

We might look a little more to the future instead of sitting complacently by and being satisfied with the jobs already accomplished. One of the greatest needs of this community is a library. Yet no one ever mentions it. Towns far smaller than Dallas have splendid libraries, working examples of community thinking on the part of citizens. There are civic clubs in Dallas that could do an excellent piece of work by getting back of the project to establish a small library here and then plugging for it. If a civic club is merely a mutual admiration society and a place to get a meal once a week, it hasn't much excuse for existing.

Needless to say, a library to serve Dallas should serve also the entire upper West Side. Its location could be in any one of the communities between here and Luzerne. Most of us boost the upper West Side when we're away from home and forget about boosting it when we're here. We talk about the splendid air, the fine homes and what a good place it is to sleep. Many of us come here just to sleep—make it rather a dormitory community. But we don't have to be so mentally asleep that we let every other town the same size in the State outstrip us in civic accomplishment while we walk around in circles dead on our feet.

Contributors' Column

MORE ON POLITICS

I want to take this opportunity to commend you upon the stand taken by the Post in the political campaign just past. In the heat of a contest, certainly of great interest to you, you refrained from throwing mud at any of the candidates, either through your news and editorial columns or in the paid political advertisements appearing in your paper.

You did, however, hammer the Fine-Nicholson political machine. In no instance did you comment disparagingly on the character, ability, life history or sincerity of any of the candidates. I admire your restraint and your courage.

You will find enclosed \$5.00 for a five-year subscription in advance. Kindly send the Post to the same old address—keep up the good work—hammer the political gangs of Luzerne county to your heart's content and keep your head.

Respectfully,
T. D. T.

MESSAGE OF THANKS

To the People of This Vicinity—Although not victorious throughout Luzerne county in my campaign just closed for the office of Prothonotary, it is with great pleasure that I look back and see the confidence bestowed in me by the people of the Sixth Legislative District, and, more particularly, the people of my own communities in and surrounding Dallas, by the wonderful majorities I received in each and every district over my opponents.

My pre-election promises to serve this district and bring recognition to it is renewed, as I am going to continue to work to that end, as I feel that this great section, consisting of many communities, should have the recognition and patronage that it is entitled to.

With many thanks, I remain,
G. HAROLD WAGNER.

THANKS VOTERS

Editor Post—F. M. Gordon wishes to express his thanks and sincere appreciation of the support he received in the primary just passed.

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

Editor Post—I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to those voters who supported me in the recent primaries.

DONALD FRANTZ.

TO THE VOTERS OF DALLAS BOROUGH

At the recent primary election my name appeared on the ballots as a candidate for the office of burgess, and I was accorded one of the major party nominations. Along with this comes news that my total vote in the borough exceeded by a substantial plurality that of any of my three worthy opponents.

It is with much feeling that I contemplate this splendid testimonial of confidence on the part of my friends and neighbors. In the campaign I made no canvass of votes. During my forty years' residence in the borough I have held a number of offices of trust, and I have tried to keep faith with the people who elected me. This latest unsolicited expression of confidence, however, is worth more to me than a dozen borough offices, and in case of my election shall serve as an incentive to a continued faithful performance of official duties.

Sincerely yours,
J. H. ANDERSON.

Church Notes

Fernbrook P. M.
Ladies' Aid met Friday evening at the home of Mrs. eGorge Noble.
St. Paul's Lutheran, Shavertown
Morning worship as usual at 11 a. m.
No evening service till the first Sunday in October.
Next Sunday, September 29, will be holy communion.
Ladies' Auxiliary will meet in the church on Wednesday evening. Mrs. Charles Dressel will be hostess.
The Ladies' Auxiliary had a most enjoyable time at a corn roast this week at the home of Mrs. John Eck.

Huntsville Christian Church
The growing interest and increasing attendance at the services of the Huntsville Christian church are a fitting approach to the anniversary celebration which is being planned for the latter part of next month. Recently \$400 was paid on the principal of the indebtedness in addition to interest. This reduces the indebtedness to \$2,000. The pastor will speak at the 9:30 service Sunday morning on "The Nazareths of Common Life." Bible school will immediately follow.

Trucksville M. E.
9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.
10:30 a. m.—Sermon by pastor. Subject, "Christian Mathematics."
Children's sermon, "Air Castles."
There will be no Epworth League at the church on Sunday. The league will join with the Dorranceton league in an open air meeting at Farmers Inn.
7:30 p. m.—Church service. Subject of sermon, "Meeting Jesus at the Law."
Girl Scouts and their mothers will hold a meeting in the church at 2 o'clock on Saturday, September 28.

Dallas M. E.
Morning worship, 10:45 a. m. Subject, "The Mystery of Godliness."
11:45—Sunday school.
7:30—Vespers. Subject, "Men Who Are Offended at Jesus."
Monday at 8 p. m., Epworth League business meeting at the church.
Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., prayer meeting.
Thursday, 7:30 p. m., choir rehearsal. Please note change in time of the morning service.

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The Trouble With Having Bad Little Boys Over to Your House By Albert T. Reid



Election Jottings

With Thom Higgins receiving the Republican nomination and Burgess Anderson the Democratic, what a merry scramble for votes will be the order of the day at the general election in November.

Clifford Space's neighbors certainly stood by their candidate, as Clifford received ninety per cent of the vote on the Heights.

Stanley Doll received three votes to Jim Beseker's two on the Prohibition ticket for school director. Some people think Stanley will run in November.

Who was the person who was recognized by the Grundy-Fisher State machine for this Back Mountain district? Reports had it that \$500 was spent throughout this district to defeat Wagner for Prothonotary.

However, Harold came through with flying colors, carrying every district at least two to one and in most districts by much bigger majorities.

In making this stand against the State machine, Wagner deserves a great deal of credit. It was his strength throughout the Sixth Legislative District that carried Attorney Leonard Morgan for Controller.

Fred Gordon won both nominations for tax collector. However, Donald Frantz received a very nice vote.

Professor Morris is still as bright and chippy as ever. F. F. came through with the Democratic nomination for school director.

John Jeter won the Republican nomination for Justice of the Peace, with Charles Cooke the Democratic nomination.

Wardan Kunkle was very busy hauling votes on Tuesday. Wardan was only interested in the Prothonotary fight.

We expect some changes on Borough Council with some improvements in the police situation. We are spending too much for police protection, and with winter coming on, we hear that council is planning to cut police protection in half.

Some of the boys about town are on the anxious seat in view of their activities in the last election. We hear of at least two changes in the personnel of the borough employees.

However, Dallas Borough Council has kept itself free from certain classes of politics and the new members are men of the same stamp.

Nobody ran for overseer of the poor. Who wants the job?

Morgan Wilcox and John Frantz battled for the inspector of election position. Morgan finally won when John's wind gave out.

Mert Coolbaugh reigns supreme as

register-assessor. Here's one Democrat that they can't beat.

It was rumored down town that the Grundy machine spent \$30,000 to defeat Wagner for Prothonotary.

THE STORK'S VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Whitby of Pioneer avenue, Shavertown, are the proud parents of a baby boy, born in General hospital on Sunday, September 15.

Still He Fools Some People
"De long-talkin' man," said Uncle Eben, "is mighty liable to be relyin' more on cough drops dan on ideas."



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