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TEAM WORK WINS!

Despite the crash of the stock market and Harry K. Thaw's loss of \$75,000 for spanking a girl, we have heard considerable in the newspapers this week concerning two outstanding young men, Albie Booth of Yale and Al Marsters of Dartmouth.

These two young athletes distinguished themselves in last Saturday's football games; the Midget Booth, 140 pound Yale backfield star by scoring winning touchdowns against the Army when Yale seemed defeated, and the whirling, crashing Marsters by crushing and demoralizing a powerful Harvard eleven.

In characteristic fashion hero-loving newspapermen played these young men up in Lindberg-like head lines forgetting the other ten men on the Yale and Dartmouth teams. Sports writers forgot what every coach and every student of football knows, that team-work and team-spirit are the basis from which individual brilliancy springs.

Football stars are the flower of star teams. Most spectators observe only the man with the ball, and to him goes the credit for long gains. Yet, if any of the other ten men failed by a fraction of a second to do his part, the runner, lacking protection and support might easily be thrown for a loss instead of tearing through the line or circling the end.

The attraction of football is that it is a perfect exhibition of the factors that are essential for success in life. Team-play wins victories in football as it does in communities. Civic progress and civic enterprises gain strength from the cooperation of citizens. Community projects are strong in proportion to the team play of the individual citizens, or as a slogan we saw posted behind the counter of a local store puts it, "A man can do a great deal of good for his community if he works hard and doesn't care who gets the credit."

A WEEKLY'S WEEKLY PROTEST

The efficiency of the United States government post-offices in this benighted section was demonstrated on Tuesday when a number of our subscribers living in the vicinity of Trucksville and Shavertown informed us that their copies of The Dallas Post were delivered on Tuesday morning. The lightning speed of the mail service is even more appreciated when we inform our readers that all copies of the paper are mailed from the Dallas post-office before midnight on Friday of each week. A weekly weekly protests to weekly functioning post-office department.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

The trouble with labor-saving machinery is that it compels so many young men to seek a livelihood playing in jazz orchestras, peddling silk stockings and editing country papers.

At twenty-five the average man sees the need of better laws but at forty-five he sees the need of better men.

Nowadays people apologize if they own only one automobile.

Heard Around The Corner

DALLAS BOROUGH ELECTION

With next Tuesday the election, very little comment is heard around the corner in regard to the borough election. A good many people thought that the burgess fight would grow wax and warm, but it seems the two candidates, Thomas Higgins and the present burgess, Harry Anderson, are content to let the issue in the hands of the people.

In the council fight it seems that sentiment has been steadily growing in favor of Ralph Rood. When Ralph was on the school board he served many years as treasurer at the munificent salary of \$25 per year, when he was allowed by law two per cent, which would have been in the hundreds, but Ralph preferred to save the school district this money. If elected to council we are sure he will maintain this watchful policy in regard to borough taxes, so that the people will be given an economic and efficient administration.

THE DALLAS TWP. PROSPECTS

More interest is shown in the election in Dallas township than in the borough. With Dyer Lauderbach and Bob Knarr holding the regular nominations, Republican and Democratic, respectively, the fight is enlivened a little by the entrance of a Mr. Edwards on the Square Deal, Citizens' or some other independent name party. However, the fight lies between Lauderbach and Knarr with the odds favoring Lauderbach.

Alex Wilson, the grand old Republican worker, with both nominations for supervisor, will no doubt be an easy winner, and to show what esteem the people of Dallas township hold for Alex, the total vote received by him in the primary equalled the vote of all of his opponents together.

Alex has given conscientious service since his appointment as supervisor and the people will not risk a change.

KINGSTON TOWNSHIP

With no county offices to be elected, and with practically all of the township offices held by men with both nominations, the lightest poll of votes was taken in the past few years.

History of Dallas

(Continued From Last Week)

Conrad and Wesley Kunkle were men of considerable prominence in the community where they lived. Each had a power of making and retaining extensive acquaintances and friendships. Conrad was for many years Justice of the Peace in Dallas township, and was also one of the two first school directors appointed by the court for Dallas township in the year 1834 under the provisions of the new school law then for the first time put in force. Wesley was elected to the office of Recorder of Deeds in Luzerne county in the fall of 1860, and served one term. Intimately connected with the early settlement of the Green Wood country at Kunkle was also William Wheeler Kirkendall, father of George W., Ira M. and William F. Barre. Wheeler Kirkendall, as he was Kirkendall, now of the city of Wilkes, familiarly called, came from New Jersey, and was a carpenter, also a carder, fuller and clothes dresser by trade, and it was largely through his aid that the first carding and fulling mill was undertaken and built by Jacob Rice, 1st., in the village of Trucksville. He was a man of kindly nature and abounded in good cheer. A harmless joke was never any less enjoyable to him because it happened to be at his expense. He used to tell of and heartily laugh at an incident which occurred while he was engaged at the work of constructing the carding and fulling mill at Trucksville, above referred to. A neighbor of his from Dallas, somewhat noted for his fondness for practical fun, appeared coming down the road towards Kingston one morning in great haste. "Hold on, Uncle Abe," called Kirkendall as he passed, "what's your hurry? Can't you stop and tell us a good big lie this morning?" Quick as thought and without halting or turning about, Uncle Abe shouted back that he had no time, that Philip Kunkle had just fallen from an apple tree and broken a leg, and he was going to Wilkes-Barre for a doctor. Philip Kunkle was the father of Wesley and Conrad Kunkle, as well as the step-father of Wheeler Kirkendall, and was also a mostly highly esteemed citizen of Dallas, to whom, on account of his advanced years, such an accident was likely to bring most painful if not fatal consequences. Under these circumstances such an announcement was serious to Wheeler Kirkendall. Before he had time to revive after the first shock and recover his wits, Uncle Abe was out of sight and hearing. The suspense was unbearable, and no time was lost in starting for the scene of the accident, which was at least four miles away by the nearest route. There being no houses or conveyances at hand, the journey had to be made on foot. This was done in all possible haste, and after two hours of hard walking, up hill and down, over the roughest roads, Mr. Kirkendall arrived, much fatigued, at his journey's end, only to find Mr. Kunkle enjoying his usual health, and to discover that Uncle Abe had literally complied with his request and told a good big lie.

Levi Hoyt, formerly of Kingston, was also one of the first to locate at Kunkle. He lived there and operated with the saw-mill previously mentioned as early as 1838, but I am unable to get very positive data in relation to his transactions. An extensive business at one time carried on at Kunkle in the manufacture of long oars for small whale boats. The superior quality of white ash which grew there was specially adapted to this use. For many years after the first settlements in Kunkle, village the nearest school-house was by the roadside on the divide known as "Chestnut Hill" or "Brace Hill," about one and a half miles southeast of the present village. About the year 1858 a new red school-house was erected within the village limits. Soon after this improvement was made, it was proposed one day to start a Sunday school also in the same building. There being no church in the place, this proposition grew in favor and soon ripened into a fact. On the day fixed for the opening a large crowd was assembled, so that there was hardly room to accommodate the parents and children who had come from every direction to join the Sunday school. Great pains had been taken to have everything in readiness for the opening day, but in spite of all, one serious omission was at the last moment discovered. No provision had been made for the opening prayer. There were two or three residents of the village who had experienced religion in the Methodist way, and were to a limited degree pious, but they did not feel competent to undertake such an important prayer as this one. The upshot of it all was that everything had to be suspended and the people kept waiting while some one went three miles across country through the woods and brought a man who knew how to make such a prayer. From that beginning a large and prosperous Sunday school has grown up and become permanently established.

Vamping Him

By Albert T. Reid



THE WEEK'S DOINGS

Boys and girls of Luzerne county had a great time this week with teachers' institute and Hallowe'en all coming in the same week.

County highway employees have resurfaced the upper Trucksville road in

the vicinity of the Murray home thus eliminating a dangerous stretch of roadway where many accidents have occurred this year. The surface of the road was uneven in spots. When an automobile hit these sections just right it threw the control of the machine out of the hands of the driver with the result that in many cases the automobile was wrecked against one

of the maple trees on the Murray property.

Road Supervisor Theodore Snyder has been at work this week filling in the low spots on Lehman avenue. The especially bad piece of road at the corner of Lehman and Huntsville streets has also been put in good condition.

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