

BASKET HANGERS

BACK MOUNTAIN LEAGUE

Lehman still clings to first place by virtue of its hard-fought battle with Trucksville—Dorset and Lew Ide were missing from the lineup—but the work of Johnson and Rosoloski made the fans forget that the former two were among the missing. It's all right, but don't try it again. Trucksville's game against Lehman showed the fault of too much long shooting. As a skillful exhibition the game was surpassed by many, as an exciting spectacle one would have to go back to the old Penn State days to equal it. Not only were seven of Trucksville's fourteen field goals made from midcourt or beyond, but most of them came when points were needed to stay up with the Lehman boys. It was all right, but don't do it again. Don't get to thinking that that is the way to win basketball games. Does Trucksville do its long shooting because it doesn't know any better or out of necessity? On first assumption that victories were pulled out of the fire over Dallas and Shavertown early in the season, the plan has been adopted as permanent so it seems. In our opinion it is neither lack of good basketball, nor reliance on the theory that a percentage of long shots will find their mark. It has happened that Trucksville has been unable to work the ball under the basket, except occasionally. They couldn't get it through Dallas and Shavertown on previous occasions and when the Lehman boys were weakened with Dorset and Ide out of the game they resorted to the same style of game. We also dislike Trucksville's back court game. It looks as if the ball is held just long enough to allow their opponents to shift to defense. Then, the only logical thing to do is to dribble until one of the defenders comes out of defensive formation. What actually happens is that Trucksville dribbles part way and, even when uncovered, usually uncorks a long shot, an unnecessarily long one. When uncovered dribble is the thing, when covered, pass. That method will draw fouls, if it doesn't accomplish more, and drawing fouls is still an important feature in basketball. The thing is keep the ball moving. It is hard to pass to a man who is covered, especially when five defenders are under the basket against four for the attackers. Trucksville is not going to win the pennant, but nobody need feel ashamed of the team that "Jim Goodwin and "Nut" Hazelton have gathered together.

BI-COUNTY LEAGUE

Skimming among the basketball players we find the league race running along fine. The boys are at the turn and speeding along to the end of the season. When the teams meet tonight it begins the second round of games, and anyone can win the pennant. Laketon's road is not too easy, the gold and blue will be given trouble at home with Dallas borough and away with Kingston township and Dallas township, with perhaps Lehman giving a little opposition. After the gold and blue of Laketon licked Kingston township, Coach Kline said, he was more than a little worried over the games to be played with Dallas borough and the township team from Dallas. And the one skirmish that is bothering him is the game next Friday night at the Meridian Hall, when the Laketon boys meet Dallas township. There will be fun and furious action. Dallas had little trouble beating Noxen last Tuesday, but had to fight hard to win, although the score would indi-

cate that it was an easy game. Noxen, its first year in basketball, is making a name for the high school. The league race at the present time is very interesting. Laketon has not as yet been defeated, but not far behind them comes Dallas township, Kingston township, and Dallas borough. It's a toss up as to how the three teams will finish. Beaumont gave the Kingston boys another hard battle last Friday night. Laketon's enthusiasm in following its high school basketball club has been a watchword in the back mountain. Everybody knows a visit here of the Lake boys means a good game and a packed house. It has been a matter of wonderment in many places that Laketon's following is not made up of school boys and school girls, nor for the most part of young men, but men in all walks of life. This may be because of the winning team that has been turned out this season. We wonder if this same enthusiasm would still interest the followers when the loser's portion would come. What will they do? Will interest slump, or will the lake people defy all laws of community sport by supporting a loser as whole-heartedly as they have been following a winner? College sport has been an exception, in that losers have been followed, but not quite as enthusiastically as winners. But high school sport, which is a community, when it amounts to something, has been subject to the law of supply and demand. Supply us with a winner or we won't see your games. Perhaps if this were carried out in the Dallas borough high school, better results would be obtained. So let's get behind our team and show the others in the league, that we, here in Dallas, can show as much enthusiasm as the Lake people do. (Communities have followed losers many times. Take the Dallas base ball team last year. Did they not receive the support as long they showed that they could win games. Take the Kingston township team. The first three games of the season the team had the support of the entire student body and townspeople, but they have lost two in a row. The enthusiasm of the fans seemed to die down a bit too soon. When the team played the Dallas township team, for it was noted that the continued drive of the township boys took the spirit right out of the White and Gold cheer leaders. Right now that old time school spirit is needed in Kingston township. With the team members all primed to do battle until the last ounce of energy within them is used up, the fans and cheer leaders should be the last to crumble. If Laketon or Dallas township lose their winning teams, and attendance should happen to drop off, no amount of newspaper writing will bring it back. The press may be great, but it bucks against a stone wall, which it can't get through, over or under, when it tries to tell the great sport fan of the back mountain he should support a loser as well as a winner. Yes, even in Dallas and Lehman, Beaumont and Noxen.

Dallas township was forced to play its best in the game with Lehman last Thursday. Lucky for Coach Girton's regulars that they piled up a big lead in the first half—39 to 20. "Red" Carey and Joe Morrissey were high scorers. The Dallas boys will have a chance to cut down the lead of the Lake boys next Friday night when they meet at Meridian Hall. Dallas borough plays Kingston township at the high school.

Lake Twp. High Defeats Noxen

Displaying their best form of the year and proving the fact that time develops athletes, Noxen high fought bravely against the Laketon league leaders last Friday night for four full periods of skillful basketball and went to defeat by the score of 32-11. Gallaway and Van Campen scored for Noxen, while Elmer Deater and "Pat" Elias excelled for Laketon. The Lake township girls defeated Noxen by the score of 37-13.

FRIENDS

Elsie Oney, Freshman

Oh! but it's wonderful
Some friends to have,
They fill your life with sunshine
They make it glad,
A friend to talk to
To confide your woes
If you have a friend
A great debt you owe.
To him because
He made life worth living
Solved many a problem
By good advice giving.
What would we do
Had we no friends
Life would trail on
To a tiresome end.

Lehman Township School News

An Editorial

GEORGE WASHINGTON

Stella L. Johnson, Lehman T. H. S.

George Washington was born February 22, 1732, at Bridges Creek, Westmoreland, Co., Virginia. He was athletic in form, and fond of outdoor life. He was always a leader among his companions. As a lad he was not a remarkable scholar, but was rather reserved and sedate in his demeanor; he was of a more serious turn of mind than other boys. The education that he received was completed by the time he was sixteen years of age, his last two years of schooling having been devoted to the studying of engineering, geometry, trigonometry and surveying. In 1748 he received a commission as a public surveyor and followed this profession for three years. Washington always had military ability, and at the time of the French and Indian trouble he enlisted in military tactics. In 1775 he accepted a position as aide on General Braddock's staff, where he showed unabated courage and gallantry. Washington's dauntless courage won him much fame. He was put in command of the Continental Army in July, 1775, and on December 4, 1783, he delivered his Farewell Address to the army and retired to private life. He was elected the first President of the United States, from which he was given the honor of being "Father of Our Country." Washington's administration of the civil government was marked by the methodical precision, which had characterized his conduct through life. His conscientious habit of undertaking no duty, until he comprehended its entire scope and being, was also especially apparent in his new position. He served two terms as President and on September 19, 1796, he issued his Farewell Address to the country, which he had been so largely instrumental in forming, almost out of a chaos. He retired to his home at Mount Vernon, where he devoted himself to agriculture. He died December 14, 1799.

Wins Master's Degree From State College

Miss Estella Goldsmith, of Dallas, One Of Fifteen to Receive Honor at Mid-Year Commencement

Miss Estella Goldsmith, of Dallas, was one of the fifteen to receive a master's degree at the mid-year commencement of Pennsylvania State College. Miss Goldsmith received her bachelor of science degree from the institution in 1927 and continued her scientific studies as a post-graduate student.

Miss Goldsmith's thesis for the degree of master of science was entitled, "The Genus *Polyporus* in Luzerne County." She made an extensive survey in the county to determine the number of the species of Genus *Polyporus*.

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Fowler, Dick and Walker

THE BOSTON STORE

Dallas Township School News

Ila Goss, Editor

The next Dallas township Parent-Teachers meeting will be held at D. T. H. S. Monday evening, February 22. Every parent of Dallas township is welcome.

VALENTINE PARTY

The F. E. B. N. Club of Dallas township vocational high school held their first meeting Tuesday, February 10. They decided to have a Valentine party Friday afternoon, February 13. Seven new members were taken into the club. A very delightful lunch was served after the initiation of the new members.

The vocational girls have received their new schedules for the second semester.

The seniors of D. T. H. S. gave an oyster supper Wednesday evening, February 18, at the Kunkle Grange Hall. The supper was enjoyed by every one who attended. The seniors thank every one who assisted them with the supper.

Friday afternoon the township band played a few selections. The valentines were distributed. At the end of the entertainment was a song by the school.

DINNER PARTY

The faculty of Dallas township high school enjoyed a chicken dinner at the East Dallas church Friday, February 13. After this they all gathered at Miss Love's home, where card playing was enjoyed by all. A dainty lunch was served to the following: Miss Stevens, Miss Stahlman, Miss Goldsmith, Miss Wallace, Miss Robinson, Miss Love, Mr. Girton, Mr. Kester and Mr. Drake.

SPORT NEWS

The Dallas township teams met the Lehman township teams on the Dallas township floor on Thursday, February 12. The girls game was won by Lehman by the score of 34-5. Helen Spencer, one of the forwards, is ill at her home.

The boys game was won by Dallas township by a score of 44-2. The game was a fast one and several fouls were called on both teams. Tod Morris, a forward, on the boys

team has quit the squad. We sure hope "Tod" comes back, because he is needed by the team.

The Dallas township teams journeyed to Laketon to play Noxen, on the Laketon township floor, on Tuesday evening, February 17. The girls game was won by Noxen by a score of 10-8. The boys game was won by the Dallas township boys by a score of 40-9. Matukitus being high scorer on the team, scoring 15 points, followed by Carey making 10 points. Elston on the girls team scored 7 points.

M. K., Reporter.

JUNIOR NEWS

The Juniors dedicate this little poem to those members of the class who are ill:

We hope you don't stay sick,
Another single minute
Cause you're missing lots of fun,
And being sick—there's nothing in it.

A certain junior girl says that Charles Landers has a weakness for purple stripes.

Elizabeth Frantz, a member of the Junior class, is very ill at her home. We hope she will soon recover.

SOPHOMORE CLASS

Arthur Keefer, a member of this class, was ill at his home. We are very glad that he is back in school doing his daily work again.

JOKES

We notice that Jean Bogart received a valentine that she does not want any one to see. She must be very proud of it.

FRESHMAN CLASS

A sleigh-riding party was given by Thelma Kiefer February 10, at the Country Club. Games and dancing were enjoyed by the following: Doris Lauderbach, Henry Love, Thelma Kiefer, Joseph Huntzinger, Lulu Meeker, Charles Landers, Jean Ritchie, George Hoffmeister, Alberta Hoffmeister, Paul Broihun, Lillian Spencer, Willard Lauderbach, Robert Hislop and Elizabeth Neuman.

Kathleen Randall was ill for several days. Jewel Litwin has not yet recovered from the dead.

Talk Of The Town Sale

Continued Until Monday

Because of bad road conditions, many persons living in rural sections, have been unable to attend this sale. We want you to share in the big savings we are offering and have decided to continue the sale up to and including Monday. To replace some items on which we are completely sold out we are adding three specials to the sale.

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At present and in the future the local office will be in charge of Mr. Phillip Anderson, of Dallas.

All payments on water bills should be made in person or by mail at the Water Company office, Lake street, Dallas, or to our duly authorized representative, Mr. Anderson.

Dallas and Shavertown Water Co.