

Headlines Of The Week

A summary of this week's news of international interest, reviewed for Post readers.

MEANS

Gaston B. Means, notorious secret agent during the Harding administration, told wild tales of his experiences in searching for the Lindbergh baby but a jury found him and Norman T. Whitaker, attorney, guilty of conspiracy to defraud Mrs. Evelyn Walsh McLean of \$35,000. Mrs. McLean had given the money to Means to be used in negotiating for the return of the baby last year before it was discovered, dead.

SHIRTS

Into Wyoming Valley this week came organizers for the Khaki Shirts, anxious to enroll local men in their military organization which is anti-Communist, favors better government. Leader of the Khaki Shirts is Art J. Smith, Shamokin native, who entered army service at 14, has served under 11 governments, including China not, so long ago under General Chang.

BOGUS

Around Wilkes-Barre went Virgil Sandellin, Norfolk, Va., this week, offering (and selling) metal disks. He said they were "California Gold" pieces, rare and valuable. Enough people, including several bank employees, believed him to make it profitable, then police swooped down on him, took Sandellin and his "rare" coins to jail.

HIBBEN

President-Emeritus John Grier Hibben, Woodrow Wilson's successor at Princeton University, was killed on Tuesday when the automobile he was driving swerved in front of and was struck by a beer truck. It was believed Dr. Hibben had suffered a stroke while driving.

PEACE

Waiting for Hitler's declaration on arms, President Roosevelt released an unprecedented message to fifty-four nations of the world calling for practical measures of disarmament and warning that if any nation hinders or handicaps the move the world will know where the responsibility for failure lies.

RUSSIA

Early recognition of Soviet Russia was forecast because President Roosevelt, in addressing his peace message to the nations of the world, included Russia. It was the first time direct communication had been established between an American President and Moscow officialdom since President Wilson's message to the Congress of Soviet in March, 1918.

OUSTED

So often have Hanover township officials been removed from office it is no longer a novelty. This week four commissioners from Hanover were removed from office by President Judge W. S. McLean, charged with neglect of duties, illegal disbursement of funds and general malfeasance.

QUAKES

Two sharp earthquakes, hours apart and centered far from each other, shook San Francisco and Los Angeles this week. Residents, remembering the recent disaster at Long Branch, ran from their homes, clocks stopped, plaster cracked, goods tumbled from store shelves, but neither shock caused more than minor damage.

SLEUTH

Leo Smith, Philadelphia detective, saw a prisoner escape from a policeman on Tuesday, dashed after the fugitive. "Sock" went Smith's blackjack against the fugitive's head. Smith saw his prisoner's face. It was Wilbur Felmutz, who Smith had not seen since both were schoolboy pals.

ISRAEL

On the burial robe of an Indian he found in the Sierra Madre Mountains, 300 miles below the Mexican border, Paxson C. Hayes, Los Angeles architect found strange hieroglyphics which he believes definitely connects prehistoric inhabitants of Mexico with one of the lost tribes of Israel.

MITCHELL

Charles E. Mitchell was characterized by his attorney this week, as a "big fish" brought to trial on an income tax violation charge to appease "mob psychology".

REICH

Adolph Hitler's long-awaited declaration on Germany's arms policy came Wednesday, but it lacked the fire the world had expected. "Handsome Adolph" denied the Reich hopes for war, promised full co-operation with President Roosevelt's plan.

VETS

Wading through ankle-deep mud, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt went to the camp of the bonus army at Washington this week, inspected the facilities and was cheered enthusiastically by the men.

JAPS

While the world was talking about peace, Japan pushed onward this week into Chinese territory. Pleas for assurance that no nation will cross the boundaries of another country fell on holding 3,000 square miles of territory below the Great Wall in China.

Farmers Await Reaction From New Farm Bill

Measure Seeks Adjustment Of Agricultural Prices

CONSUMERS PROTECTED

(Special to the Post)

Throughout the country, and especially in such sections as Dallas and vicinity, where agriculture is a basic industry, eyes are turned toward the new and revolutionary Farm Aid-Inflation bill, Leviathan of the "Brain Trust" and through which the government will attempt to offset the severe and increasing disparity between the prices of agricultural and other commodities.

One of the most stupendous pieces of legislation in the history of the world, the measure aims to establish, as rapidly as feasible but having due regard for the interest of consumers, such balance between the production and consumption of agricultural commodities, and such marketing conditions as will restore the purchasing power of farm products to the level desired.

The legislation which applies particularly to the farmer gives the Secretary of Agriculture power to reduce acreage or production, enter into marketing agreements and issue licenses for the handling of commodities. Funds will be provided by an appropriation of \$100,000,000.

Because the measure has aroused such heated controversy and because it is so full of untried, new devices, its purposes and significance have been bewildering to any one not a student of inflation.

Some of these purposes are explained graphically in the following list of questions, the answers to which have been prepared by the Office of Information, United States Department of Agriculture.

General

Q. Today we have want in the midst of plenty. What answer does the Farm Act make to that?

A. When the farmer has not the income to buy from the city, the city worker loses his job and cannot buy the farmers' products. By creation of conditions which will help restore the ability of the farmer to buy from the city, one step will have been taken toward doing away with want in the city.

Q. But isn't the trouble underconsumption rather than overproduction?

A. It is both. Domestic consumption of food, however, hasn't declined as much as you might think. Even if domestic consumption were back to normal, farmers would still be producing surpluses of most stable commodities, in addition to the heavy excess stocks already on hand.

Q. How do you reconcile this reduction of production with the fact for years the U. S. D. A. has been urging farmers to produce more, and showing them how to do it?

A. We have urged the farmers to produce more to the acre, and have urged them as individuals to reduce their acres. The present bill faces the fact that the individual farmer cannot adjust his production intelligently unless he knows that his neighbors will do likewise. Hence the collective action proposed by the Farm Act.

Q. How will this plan help the farmers?

A. It is designed to give them greater income.

Q. How many farmers will be helped by the plan?

A. When action on wheat, cotton and hogs becomes effective, perhaps 2-3 to 3-4 of the farmers will profit from greater returns. Others may be benefited by trade agreements. And the prices of all farm products should react to a rise in the prices of basic products.

Q. How much do you intend to cut down production of wheat, pork, and cotton this year?

A. We can't tell until after public calling these conferences will be the first step in operation under the law.

Q. When will you issue the first order to farmers to cut down their acreage?

A. We won't order farmers to cut down acreage. If we decide on that action on any crop, we will offer those farmers who do cut acreage a chance to share cash benefits.

Q. When will the farmers get their money?

A. It may be worked out so that they will get part of it before harvest time—as soon as the reduction in acreage has been proven.

Q. Where will you get the money to pay farmers to cut down their production?

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Alumni To Give Play On May 20

Three Communities Unite In Sponsoring Show At Dallas

Alumni associations from Kingston township, Dallas township and Dallas township, high schools will sponsor jointly the production of a play, Fixing it for Father, in Dallas borough high school auditorium on Friday night, May 20.

The cast will be members of the Kingston township association, which recently produced the play with such tremendous success that the demand for a second performance was made. The cast will be the same as that which appeared in the initial performance at Kingston township.

IN ACCORD



One of the first to praise President Roosevelt's message appealing for a new course in international disarmament was Sir Ronald Lindsay, British Ambassador to United States. Sir Ronald telephoned the President soon after the message was released. He thought the proposal was "very fine."

Scouts Promise Thrilling Show

Animals and "Freaks" To Be Part of Affair Saturday

From advance reports it is evident that the "sideshow" which will be incidental to the animal show to be sponsored by Girl Scouts of Dallas tomorrow afternoon in the Raub hotel property will be one of the most amazing and bewildering affairs to strike Dallas in some time.

The animal show will be held from 1:30 to 4. To defray expense the very modest registration fee of three cents will be charged by the girls. All sorts of pets are eligible for entry.

There will also be ponies on which to ride and an exciting contest to decide which of the animals win prizes.

Though the affair is being planned by the girls, counsel is being given by Mrs. Eugene Lazarus, captain of Troop 7, and her lieutenant, Miss Ruth Hull, and by Mrs. Dorothy Hull, captain of Troop 54. Prizes will be awarded by Mrs. Roscoe Lee, a member of the camp committee.

Anyone desiring to enter a pet in the contest may register with Mrs. Lazarus or Mrs. Hull before tonight.

Lettie Lee Named Club President

Plans Discussed For Final Meeting, Picnic and Dinner

Lettie Lee was elected president and Elizabeth Love, vice-president of the Young Women's club of Dallas at a meeting held recently at the home of Miss Lettie Lee. Other officers elected were: Marie Woolbert, treasurer, and Marion Shindel, secretary.

Committee chairmen were appointed as follows: Mrs. John Durbin, mem-Mrs. Karl Kuehn, service; Mrs. Harold Wagner, publicity; Mrs. John Yaple and Mrs. G. K. Swartz, entertainment.

The club plans to send a girl from the Girl Scout troop in Fernbrook and one from the troop in Dallas to the Girl Scout camp at White's Ferry this summer. Each girl will be sent to the camp for one week.

Tentative plans were discussed for a club picnic to be held sometime during (Continued on Page 4.)

Many Affairs In Tribute To Local Mothers

Hundreds Attend Various Events Which Attend Mothers' Day

SPLENDID ADDRESSES

An unusually large number of Mother and Daughter dinners and similar events which are a part of the nation's annual tribute to its Mothers were held throughout this section in the last week.

Many inspiring addresses were delivered and in each case success marked the efforts of the committee. Among the affairs held were the following.

Silver Leaf Club

The Mother and Daughter dinner sponsored by the Silver Leaf club on Thursday of last week at the Kunkle Community hall was a decided success and was enjoyed thoroughly by all present.

Fifty guests were present to enjoy the attractive decorations, the tasty meal and the splendid program. The Kunkle orchestra played during dinner. The program: Recitations, Mrs. Forrest Kunkle, Mrs. John Isaacs, Mrs. Olin Kunkle, Miss Frances Hess, Mrs. Leroy Hess, Mrs. William Miers, Mrs. Fred Kunkle, Eleanor Kunkle; solos, Mrs. Edgar Nulton and Eleanor Sayre; songs, a quartet, having as members Mrs. Albert Kunkle, Mrs. Frank Hess, Mrs. William Brave and Mrs. William Miers.

Those attending were: Mrs. Sarah Wall of Centerville; Mrs. Ned Jones, Beaumont; Mrs. Arthur Kocher, Laketon; Mrs. Kiler Richards, Mrs. Ralph Lutes, Mrs. John Isaacs, Mrs. Ralph Elston, Dorothy Elston, Mrs. Gideon Miller, Jean Miller, of Dallas.

Mrs. Charles Martin, Mrs. Edgar Nulton, Mrs. Marvin Elston, Mrs. Owen Ide, Mrs. Frank Hess, Mrs. C. W. Kunkle, Mrs. William Brace, Mrs. W. S. Kunkle Mrs. Ralph Ashbourne, Mrs. Julia Kunkle, Mrs. William Miers, Mrs. Ralph Hess, Mrs. Fred Boston, Inez Boston, Mrs. Leroy Hess, Frances Hess, Helen Hess, Emily Shoemaker.

Mrs. Frank Smith, Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Clarence Rote, Mrs. Fred Kunkle, Mrs. Olin Kunkle, Eleanor Kunkle, Mrs. Russell Miers, Felice Miers, Mildred Devans, Mrs. Albert Kunkle, Marian Kunkle, Mrs. Harold Smith, Mrs. Wheeler Kunkle, Ellen Kunkle, Mrs. Forrest Kunkle, Eleanor Sayre, Mrs. M. C. Miers, Mrs. Dewey Mitchell, Mrs. Ralph Hoyt, Edwin Shoemaker, Thomas Landon, James Miers.

Shavertown

The annual mother and daughter banquet of Shavertown M. E. church was held on Friday night in the church parlors under auspices of the Keller Class. The affair proved delightful in every way. Mrs. Sherman R. Schooley was general chairman. Mrs. Paul Eckert headed the decorating committee. Mrs. Wesley Mitchell successfully served as chairman of the menu committee. Mrs. Martin Porter was chairman of the program committee.

The banquet tables were very picturesque, with centerpiece of Japanese Quince blossoms, and with individual carnations as favors. Pink tapers completed the decorations. Mrs. Herbert Ray was song leader and Betty Williams accompanist.

The oldest mothers present were Mrs. W. H. Stang and Mrs. Anna Howe. The youngest mothers present were Mrs. R. F. Husband and Mrs. Walter Cooke. The mother of the largest family was Mrs. William Nicholas. The youngest daughters present were Mary Lou Boyce and Mildred Mary Porter.

The program was as follows: Invocation, Mrs. Earnest Keller; address of welcome, Mrs. G. R. Downer; piano solo, Claire June Malmemes; vocal solo (Continued on Page 4.)

HAS PRAISE



Commendation for rural school teachers was voiced by President T. T. Allen of Stroudsburg Teachers' college this week. Public school teachers in third and fourth class districts of this section rang high in the matter of college preparation, the educator said.

Rural Teachers Have High Rank

Educator Sees Progress In Preparation of Teachers Locally

"Public school teachers in third and fourth class districts in Luzerne County, who are directly under the supervision of the County Superintendent of Schools, rank high in the matter of college preparation," according to Department of Public Instruction data furnished by President T. T. Allen of Stroudsburg State Teachers' College. President Allen expressed particular interest in the excellent educational status of Luzerne County, one of the largest counties in the service area of the East Stroudsburg State Teachers College. "Twenty-five and three-tenths per cent of this group of Luzerne County teachers hold college certificates as compared with an average of less than twenty-five per cent for teachers in similar positions throughout the State."

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Church Observes 8th Anniversary

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Marks Growth From Small Group

Starting with a charter membership of 29 and without a church building, St. Paul's Lutheran church of Shavertown celebrated its eighth anniversary last Sunday with a membership of 136 persons.

Since its organization in 1925 the congregation has grown steadily every year showing an increase in membership. On March 26, 1926 the new church building was dedicated. At that time the membership was under 50. The property cost the congregation \$25,000. And during the years the debt has been cut to \$13,850.

In large measure the growth of the congregation has been due to the leadership and work of Rev. G. Elston Ruff who during his time of service has thrown himself into the work of building the congregation with a zeal and enthusiasm that has won him the admiration of the community as well as his congregation.

Board To Ask Early Payment Of State Fund

Delinquent Taxes Worry Directors Of Dallas School Board

TAXPAYERS LAX

Due to the financial problems caused by the delinquency of taxpayers, the secretary of Dallas school board, at a special meeting last Friday night, was instructed to write the State Department of Public Instruction asking that the appropriation due in August be paid earlier.

A considerable part of the meeting was devoted to checking up on delinquent taxes in the borough with a view toward taking steps for their collection.

Discussion was had on the tax duplicate for the year and the secretary was instructed to get the tax collector's surety bond for the entire duplicate.

Permission was given the light committee to have a new inverted type of electric lamp installed in the old buildings. Samples of the new lamp were on display at the meeting.

Announcement was made, as reported in last week's issue of The Post, that Dr. Carol D. Champlin of department of education of Pennsylvania State College, will be the Commencement speaker at the exercises to be held June 14. The Baccalaureate sermon will be given in Dallas M. E. church on Sunday, June 11.

Wanted: Another Pied Piper Here

Shavertown Prepares For Decisive Battle With Pesky Rodents

Shavertown is praying for another Pied Piper of Hamelin to rid that community of rodents whose nocturnal torays are a constant source of concern to many citizens living in the vicinity of Toby's Creek. Where the creatures come from or where they go is apparently a mystery to members of Shavertown Improvement association who appealed to Luzerne county Farm bureau to help them out of the difficulty by conducting an extensive extermination campaign throughout the community.

Many old timers who have tackled the problem with zeal say it seems impossible to get rid of the pests. The more they kill, the more they come. The real source of the evil is believed to be the banks of Toby's creek where the rodents feed on refuse and waste materials and there have their haunts and breeding places in the walls that line the creek. At any rate, Shavertown Improvement association has taken the matter in hand and with the co-operation of the Farm Bureau and local citizens expects to wage a war which will have its end in victory.

At a meeting of the association held last Friday night other business of importance was also taken up. An agreement was made with Kingston township supervisors so that all unemployed men who are receiving help from relief agencies may work out their personal taxes on the roads. The committee arranging the agreement has as its members Stanley Davis and H. W. Hall.

All unemployed who owe taxes will be registered and the list turned over to the supervisors who will use the men as they are needed. The registrars for Shavertown are Messrs Hall and Davis.

Rev. F. M. Sellers, who was recently appointed pastor of Shavertown M. E. church, and who was an aviator during the World War, gave a graphic talk on some of his experiences during those days. He also mentioned some of the improvements that can be obtained for the community if the citizens will co-operate.

The next meeting of the association will be held June 2 in the Shavertown grade building.

Firemen To Meet

An important meeting of Dr. Henry M. Laing fire company will be held tonight in the borough building. Important business is expected to be transacted and there will be a discussion of several matters of unusual interest.

SUNNY WEATHER SEES FARMERS SPEEDING WORK

Handicapped for weeks by unseasonable weather, farmers took advantage of the last two days of pleasant weather to make up for time lost while chill rains were falling.

Corn planting, which was from a week to ten days late, spurred ahead; planting of potatoes, which was interrupted, proceeded, and truck farmers especially welcomed the warm sun which will enable them to carry out their long-delayed work.

The rains that were so unfavorable for field work, however, were fine for pasture and meadows. Some farmers say pastures were never better.

Motor Club Has Enviably Record

Works To Make Streets And Highways Safe For Travel

It is fitting that Luzerne county, which has a motor vehicle registration in excess of that of any other county in Northeastern Pennsylvania, should also have an organization of motorists which sets the pace for other clubs

of the club, which is not operated for profit or financial gain but is governed by the individual automobile owners who are members and whose interest the club promotes and protects.

As a unit in the international chain of American Automobile Association clubs, Wyoming Valley Motor Club is prepared to provide a hundred varied services to motorists.

It furnishes an insurance policy, free towing and first aid stations, discounts on certain automobile repairs, legal advice, membership in A. A. A. and Pennsylvania Motor Federation, up-to-date information on roads and tours — all for the one membership fee.

It offers a reward of \$25 for arrest and conviction of the thief when a member's car is stolen.

It maintains a motorcycle to clean glass off streets and it has saved its members thousands of dollars in fines and costs by exposing constables.

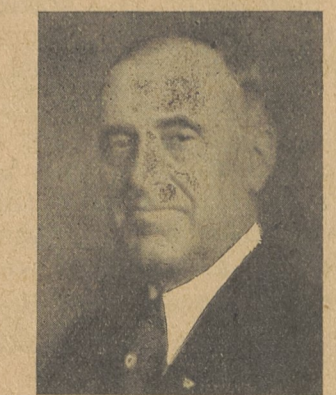
From the day of its organization, it has been working to make the streets and highways of America safer and to stimulate and develop those projects which are of common interest to motorists.

From year to year, the safety activities of the club have been expanded until today almost every motorist in this section has felt its influence through the medium of safety lessons and posters for schools, highway signs which are not only for the safety but for the information of motorists.

Credit for all these things belongs primarily to those public-spirited men and women who are members and to

Recognized As One Of Outstanding Clubs In State

the group of splendid men who are at the head as officers and directors. But the benefits which have come from the movements sponsored by the club have been enjoyed by every car owner in Luzerne county.



P. G. Rimmer, President

Decreasing death toll from traffic accidents is one accomplishment for which the public in general may thank the motor club.

Luzerne county has a number of things of which it can be proud but it can find nothing better to boost and support than its motor club.



Norman Johnstone, Secretary

throughout this section.

Wyoming Valley Motor Club is not the largest club in Eastern Pennsylvania but there is no doubt that it is one of the most aggressive and progressive in the State.

Nearly 4,000 motorists from Wyoming Valley and vicinity are members