

Headlines Of The Week

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

BRAKES

All the way from New York to Ossining the buss driver had trouble with faulty brakes. A short distance from Sing Sing, where the passengers were to watch a baseball game, the buss took the wrong turn, careened dangerously down a long hill and toppled from a ramp into a lumber yard where it burst into flames. Seventeen died, 22 were in hospitals. "Criminal negligence" said State officials as they prepared to prosecute.

END

"The time will come when some cop will hit me and 'poo' that'll be all for John". So spoke Public Enemy John Dillinger last January. On Sunday night as he strolled boldly from a Chicago theatre Federal agents surrounded John Dillinger, sent three bullets into his body. Public Enemy No. 1 became Morgue Case, July 116. Not police skill but gangdom's double cross had ended the career of John Dillinger.

GAMBLE

Experts who have studied the gain in the sale of living room rugs, the decline in the number of bachelors, the increasing payments on personal loans recommended this week that the NRA "gamble" on a substantial fall rise in business, a less-than-usual summer slump, Shrewd business men noted the word "gamble".

WED

Casual movie-goers who still remember Jackie Coogan as "The Kid" in Charlie Chaplin's pictures were amazed this week to learn that Jackie will wed Toby Wing, voluptuous cinema star. Jackie is now a student at University of California.

GONE

Acting finally on newspaper charges of vice conditions, Wilkes-Barre city officials toured the city's "tenderloin" Tuesday, seemed surprised that inmates had not awaited their calls. Vacant houses indicated that charges had been correct, that occupants had fled leisurely, to other parts.

WOMEN

Local feminists beamed this week when they read that the number of women job-holders in this section is increasing. To the 25,024 male workers in Wilkes-Barre there are 7,780 females gainfully occupied. Of these women, 553 are married, 662 are widowed or divorced, 6,503 are bachelor girls.

COUSIN

In a dingy little house in Pittsburgh lives William Andrew Mellon, 60, cousin of Andrew W. Mellon, millionaire banker. Reporters heard William was in need, called to see him. A short time ago on a \$150 weekly relief roll, the "poor cousin" now receives aid from his wealthy cousin.

HEAT

By Tuesday, 404 persons had died as result of the country-wide heat wave, thousands of cattle had died from thirst in the drought-stricken middle west, and hundreds of millions of damage had been done to crops.

DUMMY

In Wellesley, Mass., Carl F. Anderson dressed a dummy in his best clothes, placed it in his front yard to scare off thieves while he went out for the evening. Nothing but the dummy was stolen that night.

PRAYERS

Near Bouke, Ark., at a Pentecostal meeting, a farmer boy slashed an artery in his companion's arm. Worshipers formed a circle around the wounded youth, prayed fervently for an hour, watched his blood flow unchecked until he was dead.

DEATH RAY

Acclaimed as a great genius a few years ago, Nikola Tesla keeps to himself now, makes brief statements to the press on his birthdays. Last week, at 78, he talked about a death ray which he believes he can invent which, if set on a nation's boundaries, would prevent it forever from attack.

L. A.

The Los Angeles, de-commissioned and stripped of engines and helium years ago, Nikola Tesla keeps to himself further flight this week because of deterioration of her metal structure. Ten years old, she was the first of the world's rigid dirigible airships to die of natural old age.

4-H CLUB PICNIC AT CROOP'S GLEN ON AUGUST THIRD

Luzerne County's Second Annual 4-H Club Picnic will be held on Friday, August 3, at Croop's Glen Park, Hunlock Creek, J. D. Hutchison, county agent, announced yesterday.

Throughout Luzerne County many clubs have been organized this year by the Agricultural Extension Service, interesting farm boys and girls in various projects such as Sweet Corn, Potato, Poultry, Sewing, and Health Clubs, with a membership of more than 320.

At the picnic, group games will be played in the morning and afternoon under the supervision of Joseph Patterson.

Post Reporter Gossips About Trudalsha Unit

Large Delegation From Back Mountain Region At Camp Muir

HOME SATURDAY

By EDWARD F. KOTCHI

Camp Muir, Anville, Pa., July 25—It seems only a few days since we arrived here for our two-week encampment but tomorrow we shall begin to pack and soon after noon on Saturday we'll be back in Dallas with our two exciting weeks of army life behind us until next year.

The Trudalsha delegation (which is our name for the group from the Back Mountain Region) is larger than I thought at first and visitors from home are surprised at the number of acquaintances they meet here at the 109th F. A. encampment.

Lieutenant Robert Montayne who hails from Trucksville is the assistant Regimental Communications Officer. The Lieutenant is a lover of good horses and is rated as one of the best riders in the Valley. He is held in high regard by his fellow officers and subordinates.

First Sergeant George Franks resides at Hillside, Franks, who is better known as the "Top Kick" is the trouble shooter of the Battery, and is well adapted for this arduous task. His duties are many and varied. He is responsible for the execution of orders from the Command, discipline and organization of the men, and it is he who usually takes a paternal attitude toward bungling rookies.

Robert "Bob" Little is ranking Staff Sergeant and comes from Trucksville. He is responsible for the installation and maintenance of the telephones and lines within the regiment. Bob is a popular "Serg" to his fellow buddies although he can be as tough as any of them when occasion demands. This was illustrated recently, when, upon ready to retire, Little found his cot neatly folded away, useless for immediate use. Dire things were promised the wrongdoers, but up to date they have succeeded in eluding him.

Captain Corey Patton, Kingston, Kingston Regimental Communications Officer, commands the 109th Headquarters Battery. Captain Patton is well acquainted throughout our vicinity. He has the reputation for being the best radio and electrical man in the regiment and is a very capable and efficient officer and is well liked by the command to a man.

Howard G. Young, Shavertown, is the next ranking Staff Sergeant and is the professional soldier of the Battery. Young served a three year enlistment in the Hawaiian Islands. He was recently awarded his rank; he also carries the Regimental colors. While off duty, Young is frequently seen in the immediate vicinity of the Hahnemann Hospital Nurses' Home in Scranton. He is firmly convinced that his presence there is a valuable and uplifting influence to the nursing sorority.

Alfred Millner-Camp, Instrument Sergeant, resides in Trucksville. Because of his diminutive size, Camp is often mistaken for a Boy Scout, a slight which he vehemently resents. Notwithstanding his height, Serg is every inch a soldier as his many friends will attest. He has the ambition and ability to move from the ranks which he undoubtedly will.

Rules Kangeroo Court

Sergeant Matthew Evans who calls Shavertown his home is at once a friend and a demigod to the impressionable rookie. Matt is a master of many things. During his travels as mail-carrier, he has built up quite a clientele for his natural "fixing" talent. Nothing definite has been attributed to him but "tis said that he specializes in marital difficulties. His sidelines includes managing an amateur matrimonial bureau, curing minor ills, fixing children's toys, and solving income tax problems. Evans writes as the Mighty Potentate of the Battery Kangeroo Court which rookies are brought before to defend themselves against trumped-up charges. Almost invariably they are convicted; while none doubt the integrity of the Judge, though many of his decisions are received with misgivings.

Harold Rood, Dallas, is a Regimental Chaffer. Although he is a rookie he carried on like a veteran. He is well liked throughout the camp, and it is pleasant to hear his infectious laughter.

George Lewis of Dallas, is another rookie in the Battery. It is rumored that he looks forward somewhat apprehensively to the oncoming session of Kangeroo Court. Lewis, a good radio man, is a valuable asset to Radio Station WSEXE. An enthusiastic or a bug on all things electrical, Lewis spends a great deal of his time in the radio tent. He has shown acute symptoms of homesickness.

Floyd Young, Jr., of Shavertown, is still another rookie. Young thoroughly approves of army life just as long as it doesn't interfere with his sleep. His sense of humor and good fellowship make camp life a little more lively than it ordinarily would be. He relishes guard duty and strange to say this yearning is and has been nearly gratified.

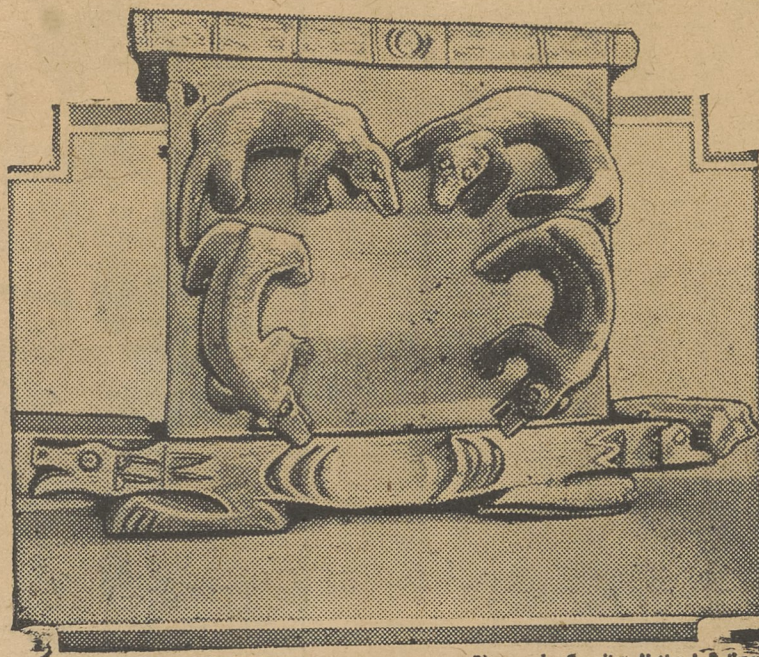
May Win Promotion

Morris Sledz of Dallas is a gunnery corporal in F Battery. While only a youth, Morris has the knack of handling men. Rumor has it that the corporal may soon be appointed a sergeant. He is a qualified pistol marksman.

Lieutenant William B. Robinson, Jr., of Dallas is executive officer of Battery F. He is considered to be one of the best gunnery officers in the regi-

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+ Do You Know? +



Photograph, Canadian National Railway

That recently anthropologists of the Canadian Government unearthed in British Columbia what is believed to be the last Indian tomb of its kind that will ever be discovered? It is the work of some member of the Musqueam tribe of which only fifty members remain. Elaborately carved, the relic takes the form of a wooden sepulchre mounted on a boat-like platform about eight feet long. The carving, which is shown above, was made from a solid piece of cedar about eighteen inches thick and three feet square, and was probably hewn out with an adze. Only one other example of this type of tomb is known. It is in the Government Museum at Ottawa where the new discovery has also been placed.

RAINS HELP FIREMEN TO WIN 7-DAY BATTLE WITH LAKE FIRE

500 Acres Young Timber Burned; Loss Of \$3,000

A seven-day battle with a 500-acre forest fire which crept within 100 yards of summer cottages at the Outlet at Harvey's Lake despite the valiant efforts of more than 100 fire-fighters was over yesterday.

Heavy showers on Tuesday night and again on Wednesday afternoon gave the nearly-exhausted firemen the break they had been awaiting and the final sporadic outbursts were subdued.

Unknown, careless berry-pickers who were seen in the section are believed to have started the blaze more than a week ago. Damage was estimated at \$3,000.

At times about 175 men were fighting the stubborn blaze. Two engine pumps sent continuous streams of water into the flames. Fifty Civilian Conservation Corps campers from Mehoopany came to the lake on Sunday and scores of other residents from this section helped out, including one crew composed entirely of Dallas men under Dave Brace.

Despite the great number of fire-fighters and the intense heat of the flames no serious injuries were reported.

One of the pumps used was from the State Department of Forests and Waters. That pumper had 2,000 feet of hose, the Harvey's Lake Fire Department had 1,000 feet, and Senator A. J. Sordani added 2,000 feet more to the supply.

Dallas men who helped to fight the fire were expecting to be called to Catawissa where 200 men have been fighting a forest fire which has been raging along a mile front for more than a week.

Many smaller fires were reported throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania during the week and all were extinguished with difficulty because of the dryness of the woods. At Harvey's Lake roots two and three feet deep smoldered and burst into flame after firemen had believed all traces of fire had been extinguished.

Built Steam Engine

Myron H. Detrick of Chicago, who is visiting in Trucksville this week, was one of the first men to build a horseless carriage. In 1900 he constructed a steam automobile which had many advantages over other automobiles of the era, but the gasoline engine won such wide popularity that "steamers" disappeared.

Thirty Arrested

More than thirty drivers have been arrested so far during the month of July by members of the State Highway patrol for improper passing between Trucksville and Harvey's Lake. Most of the arrests have been made when motorists have attempted to pass other vehicles without a clear view of 300 feet ahead.

HUNDREDS JOIN IN RECREATION PROGRAM THROUGH RURAL AREA

Hundreds of persons from Dallas, Lehman, Shavertown, Fernbrook, Trucksville, and Demunds are joining in the program of recreation, education, and entertainment which is being conducted throughout this section with Federal aid by the Playground Association of Wyoming Valley.

With the support of school and civic organizations and under the direction of Miss Iona L. Evans, the supervisor, the movement is making rapid progress and the programs being adopted are on a par with those taking place on the city recreation centers.

The faculty for the rural district includes Miss Margaret Donahue, Miss Mary Coyte, John Keating, Miss Mary Corcoran, Miss Marjorie Ransom, Miss Louise Miller, Miss Dorothy Seibel, Miss Iona L. Evans.

This afternoon from 2 to 5 the second of the dancing classes will be conducted at Fernbrook Park. Every one is eligible to join the class. The lessons are free. At least 100 students and a number of visitors crowded the pavilion at Fernbrook Park last week.

The schedule which will become effective today follows: 2 to 2:30, beginner's tap dancing; 2:30 to 2:40, intermission with specialty numbers by Sarah Kress; 2:40 to 3:10, advance tap dancing; 3:10 to 3:20, intermission with a specialty number by Jack Kurtz; 3:20 to 3:50, ballroom dancing; 3:50 to 4, intermission with specialty numbers by Robert Howard; 4 to 4:15, beginners' tap dancing; 4:15 to 4:30, advance tap dancing; 4:30 to 5, ballroom dancing.

About 200 persons have registered for different classes at the Lehman recreation center. A Community Glee Club recently organized is planning rehearsals and a number of classes are in progress.

The schedule there follows:

Monday, 8 to 10 p. m., basketball, music; Tuesday, 9 to 11 a. m., children's games; Wednesday, 9 to 11 a. m., handicraft; Thursday, 9 to 11 a. m., tennis, Brown's court; Friday, 9 to 11 a. m., the same activities as on Tuesday.

New Demands Made For Action In Water Fight

WOMEN THREATEN TO ORGANIZE OWN UNIT TO ASSURE RELIEF

Joint Committee Appointed To Review Plans Presented

Developments in the fight to assure an adequate water supply to homes in Dallas and Shavertown moved quickly toward a climax this week as various groups effected prepared to meet public demands for prompt and effective action.

The major accomplishment was the appointment of a committee of local men who will review plans which have been discussed in the last year and recommend measures which they believe will bring satisfactory and permanent relief.

But the most sensational development of the week was the threat of Dallas women to form their own organization and conduct their own campaign for a satisfactory water supply. "If the organizations already in existence are, unable to accomplish anything we'll take up the fight—and we'll accomplish something" one woman told The Post this week.

Pump Fails.

After the serious leak had been discovered near Misco-Cordia College by Dallas-Shavertown Water Co. last week there was a temporary improvement but on Wednesday morning The Post received a number of calls reporting that homes on Franklin Street, Machell Avenue, and Parrish Heights were without any water service.

At the offices of the water company it was explained that a bolt on a booster pump at Hay's Corners had broken and that the pump had been out of commission for a short time until repairs could be made. The water service had been restored as soon as repairs were made, it was reported.

Difficulties with water service continued to be reported from scattered sections yesterday and demands for relief grew more insistent. Appeals were made to The Post constantly to stress the necessity for immediate relief.

New Angle Appears.

A new and important angle to the water problem made itself evident as result of reports that families which had planned to reside in Dallas or Shavertown changed their plans because of the fear of an inadequate water supply. At least one case of the removal of a local family to Wyoming Valley for the same reasons was known.

Business men and realtors are especially anxious to have current unsatisfactory conditions remedied so persons residing in this section or families planning to come here can be assured that they will not be inconvenienced as far as an adequate water supply is concerned.

One man who was reported to have changed his plans to move here is quoted as saying "Beautiful landscapes won't make up for a shortage of water."

Defend Employes

In nearly all telephone calls to The Post this week there was a kind word for the local employes of the Dallas-Shavertown Water Company. There was no attempt to minimize their efforts to satisfy the demands of complainants. Several persons even expressed a hope that the problem can be solved by the present water company so no steps toward municipal ownership or legal action are necessary.

One woman who telephoned The Post made an emphatic denial that there is any attempt to force the people of Dallas to change the source of their supply. The majority of the women, she said, care not from whom or where the water comes as long as it is adequate and clean.

Hearing In September.

The complaint the Dallas Taxpayers' Association made to the Public Service Commission last summer is scheduled for hearing in September, it was reported this week.

Attorney Peter Jurchak said he has written to the Commission requesting that an engineer be sent here to investigate conditions. A previous letter to the commission from Attorney Jurchak brought an apology from the Commission, which said its engineers were all busy and could not be sent here until later. It is believed, though, that the request now in the hands of the Commission will bring results.

Attorney Jurchak, who was one of the leaders in the formation of the joint committee, explained this week that a group of residents of Mt. Greenwood are considering a plan to ask that their complaint be added to that made by Dallas citizens to the P. S. C. He believes the request will bring the condition before the Public Service Commission more forcibly if the Mt. Greenwood petition is presented in conjunction with that from Dallas.

Taxpayers Act.

At the meeting of the Dallas Borough Taxpayers' Association last Friday night it was estimated that seventy per cent. of the residents of the borough know nothing of a shortage of water, an estimate which could not minimize the necessity for relief to the thirty per cent who are effected. The wide-spread criticism this week indicated that the estimate was low.

A committee, having as members H. A. Smith, Eugene Lazarus, Ralph H. Rood, Chester Shepleman, and Charles A. Stookey, was appointed to confer on conditions and recommend methods.

The movement for relief now has the support of Mt. Greenwood Kiwanis Club, Greater Dallas Rotary Club, Shavertown Improvement Association, Trucksville Citizens' Committee, and the Dallas Borough Taxpayers' Association and it is expected that through the committee now functioning the five organizations will unite.

Companies Register

Forty-one certificates of authority to do business in Pennsylvania were issued to Foreign corporations during June. They paid \$1200.

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