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POST ADVERTISERS KNOW THAT YOU CAN'T SELL THEM IF YOU DON'T TELL THEM

OUR NEW SERIAL, "WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE", STARTS THIS WEEK

POST SCRIPTS

STUDENT DEER -30- GAME BODY

A young man from this community, a product of the local high school, a good student, and a good athlete left this fall to continue his studies in a school of higher learning.

Last Friday while on his way home for lunch Frank Garrahan couldn't believe his eyes when he saw a fine buck deer bounding across the road near the Methodist church.

Among the mysterious symbols and terms which have gradually come into common usage among newspapermen there is one which has motivated a great amount of research in the last ten or fifteen years.

We have heard at least eight different explanations of the origin of the use of the number. One of the most logical is that in the days when newspaper stories were written by hand, instead of on typewriters, a period was indicated by "xx", the end of a paragraph by "xxx", Roman for "30".

The most ancient explanation goes all the way back to the 30 magistrates appointed by Sparta over Athens at the termination of the Peloponnesian War. They were called the "30 tyrants" and were overthrown after one year's reign.

For several weeks now we have been amusing ourselves with a variety of the "Do You Know?" game. We've been trying to find out just how much the lingo of the newspaper has become a part of the layman's speech.

Newspapermen and printers have a long list of words and phrases which mean one thing to them and an entirely different thing to someone who is a stranger to the methods and equipment of a publishing plant.

The fact that any piece of writing, from a 2-line note to a six-column article, is considered by the reporter as a "story" seems to be known generally now but many other terms common to the newspaper office are given amusing definitions.

For example, a "jump story" is one which, for lack of space, must be continued to another page. Various persons questioned said the "jump story" is "exaggerated news", "astounding news", or "unexpected happenings which can be turned into news before the rival paper gets them."

Monster G. O. P. Rally To Be Held Here Monday

County Leaders To Sound Keynotes Of Republican Campaign

CROWD EXPECTED

An old-fashioned patriotic political rally will be held on Monday night at 8 in the Dallas High School Building under sponsorship of local Republican leaders.

Outstanding G. O. P. standard-bearers from Luzerne County will be among the speakers and an entertaining program will follow addresses.

Among the speakers will be District Attorney Thomas H. Lewis, Ralph Morris, State councilor of J. O. U. A. M.; Mrs. J. B. Davenport, vice-chairman, Luzerne County Republican Committee, and Referee Asa E. Lewis, of the Workman's Compensation Bureau.

Edgar Bauer, widely known as a magician, will be one of the chief entertainers and Roger Howell will be the soloist and song leader. Warhola's orchestra will play during the program and later will play for dancing.

Cider and doughnuts will be the refreshments. Peter D. Clark, chairman of the rally, expects a capacity crowd in response to the general invitation. Everyone will be welcome.

Booster Day For Team On Saturday

Double-Header Arranged For Local Football Fans

Saturday will be Booster Day for the Dallas High School football team.

In addition to the varsity contest between the local high school team and the team from Nescopeck High School there will be a preliminary tilt between two teams made up of seventh, eighth, and ninth grade pupils of Dallas schools.

So far, Dallas High School's team has had a discouraging season and today's program is to be as much a testimonial of community support as it is a means to aid the school athletic council financially.

The regular varsity line-up is announced in a page advertisement in this week's Post.

The line-up of young gridlers who will make their debut at 1:30 follows: Minnesota: L. E. Snyder, L. T. Monk, E. Ide, L. G. McCullough, Jones, C. Gould, Ruggles, R. G. Drake, Furneaux (Capt.) R. T. Polinski, Davies, R. E. W. Brown, Henson, Q. B. Culp, Garinger, L. H. Dix (Capt.), Veitch, R. H. E. Brown, Brace, F. B. Tutak

Local Musicians In Concert At Mossville

A concert will be given in the Mossville M. E. Church on Saturday night, October 27, by Mrs. Beatrice Lacy Williams, Miss Lillian F. Road, Miss Dorothy Smith, Ralph Smith, and Al Milliner-Camp.

Current Sentiment For Municipal Ownership In Dallas Has Background Which Had It's Germ In Earliest History

Practical Matter To Be Settled By Each Community

The civic possession of properties is one of the oldest theories of government.

Originally, the development and exploitation of natural resources was unknown. Water could be taken from the springs and rivers, heat came from the wood which could be gathered just outside the cave, and the oil which was the by-product of the animals the primitive man slew for food and clothing provided his flickering light after darkness. Everything was there for the taking.

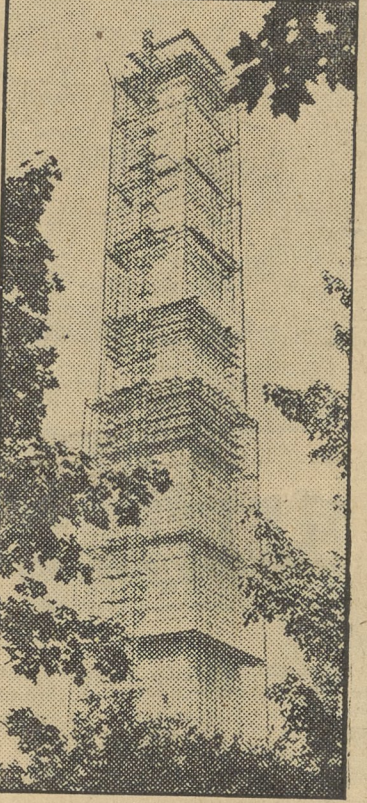
Land was held in common by the clan and changed hands only when enemies won it by force. Monogamy did not exist and, to a large extent, even women and children were the common property and responsibility of the tribe.

Gradually, man began to appreciate the value of tools and implements. When he had searched for the materials and manufactured his weapons and tools he felt that he, and he alone, should have the use of them. Then agriculture came and man protested against the distribution of crops upon which he had labored long and hard. Property became largely personal and private.

But urban civilization was forced to acquire certain properties which were necessary to economic and military success. The civic possession of streets, bridges, ferries, parks, and sewage systems were well-nigh indispensable to urban life. Only rarely in history have such properties been owned privately.

Ancient Rome had a surprisingly ef-

Big Frame Up In Washington



Framed in leaves and steel, the towering Washington monument presents an unusual appearance, its outlines blurred by steel scaffolding, as the job of getting its face lifted makes progress. It took workmen a month to erect the steel frame for the mammoth repair job.

\$45,000 Fire Ruins Old Car Barn Here

Believe Tramps Started Early Morning Blaze

Flames leveled the old car barn along the Wilkes-Barre Railway Cor tracks at Dallas early Wednesday morning, causing a loss which was estimated by traction company officials to be \$45,000.

Firemen from Henry M. Laing Co. responded to an alarm at 6 and pumped water from Toby's Creek. They were assisted for a while by a squad of traction company men. William Huff, motorman on an early street car, discovered the blaze and summoned the local firemen.

The building was about thirty years old. Nine cars were stored in it. About two weeks ago, six snow sweepers and electric shovels were removed from the barn to the Westmoor car barn to be prepared for winter service.

\$600 Monthly Available If Claim Is Made

Appropriation Is Made But Response Here Is Slow

ACTION URGED

Six hundred dollars a month is available for employing capable instructors from the Back Mountain to direct the new emergency education program here this winter but unless some plan to claim the appropriation and sponsor the program locally is made within a week that money will go to another district.

At a meeting at Luzerne on Wednesday night, Eugene Lazarus, a member of Dallas school board, was the only representative of this section present and he has urged that some local group, probably the Parent-Teacher Association, act immediately to secure the appropriation.

If plans to carry out the program in District 5, which includes the territory from Luzerne back, are made promptly it is probable six men or women from this region will secure positions for the winter months.

The program will function under the State Work Division and will start next month. Its purpose will be to develop a social, recreational, and educational program that meets the needs of the communities and gives employment to workers who have qualifications and the ability to develop such a community program.

An advisory council has been formed and its immediate objective is to determine the extent to which the various communities desire to participate and for this purpose it has delegated to its individual members the responsibility of forming local committees for related groups of communities throughout the county. Whenever possible, these committees will consist of a school director or member of council from each political subdivision in the group. Through these committees each community will be given an opportunity to express its desire to participate and arrange the details incident to the submission of the projects.

Any local group which is interested in contacting officials to assure Dallas of its share of the money may secure more information from H. H. Updegrave, county supervisor, whose office is at 33 East Northampton Street, Wilkes-Barre, or from Eugene Lazarus.

Harold Wagner May Undergo Operation

Harold Wagner is quite seriously ill at his home on Lehman avenue and if no improvement is shown in his condition within the day physicians are of the opinion that he will have to undergo a major operation for stone in the kidney. Mr. Wagner has been ill for a week having been taken with a severe attack of pain on Friday last. His many friends in this region hope that he will not have to undergo a surgical operation and that his recovery will be speedy.

Municipal Ownership Of Properties Ancient Theory

Two weeks ago Dallas Taxpayers Association decided to present the question of municipal ownership of the local water company before the borough council.

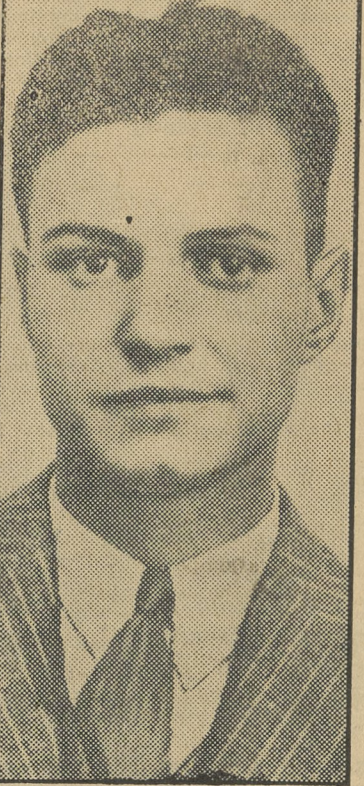
Because of the interest in the suggestion, The Post is presenting these articles on municipal ownership in an effort to explain its principles and methods. The Post is impartial in its views on the subject and is not presenting these articles in favor of either side.

efficient municipally-owned sewage system. After the Crucifixion of Jesus, His disciples founded a community in which all property was common, an extreme later attempted by experimental groups in many parts of the world. These theories existed for many years, and, in 1872, they became part and parcel of the present day orthodox theory of socialism as expounded by Karl Marx.

In America the tremendous natural resources and the rapid development opened the way for profitable development and exploitation. There were tremendous stakes for the intelligent, aggressive, honest promoter and organizer. The swift, surprising growth of industry saw the development of immense privately-owned public utilities.

The privilege of securing franchises for supplying water, light, or transportation to urban communities was eagerly sought. The franchise carried with it the creation of a virtual monopoly and it presented, if unrestrained, the opportunity for maintaining extortionate rates for service. Frequently corruption entered into the plan and at one time such injustice

Stoll Kidnaping Suspect



The safe return of Mrs. Berry V. Stoll, Louisville, Ky. society woman, to her home after payment of \$50,000 ransom to the kidnaper, precipitated an intensive manhunt throughout midwestern states for the suspected abductor, Thomas H. Robinson, Jr., above, former inmate of Tennessee asylums for the insane. Robinson fled from Indianapolis, Ind., after receiving the ransom money, federal agents say.

Some Beat-Thirty Six Square Miles

Biggest Rural District Keeps Lake Cops Busy

Ira Stevenson, who was reappointed chief of Police of Lake and Lehman Townships this week, may not have the biggest police force in the state but, with the possible exception of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, he and his single assistant cover the largest territory.

Chief Stevenson and his motorcycle patrolman, Fred Swanson represent the law, twenty-four hours of the day, in a territory which includes thirty-six square miles. Do they envy the city cop who has only two or three blocks to cover eight hours of the day?

Mr. Stevenson was reappointed at a salary of \$175 a month and Mr. Swanson was named as a full-time officer for the winter. Chief Stevenson has been chief at the Lake since 1931, succeeding Capt. John Ruth, who was killed while attempting to arrest a murderer. Stevenson has done some fine work during his tenure of office. He was formerly a State policeman.

Good Job

Clyde Lapp has cleared a section of the hill fronting his residence on Machell Avenue and has planted several varieties of spruce trees. The plot, once a tangle of underbrush and a fire trap, has been improved considerably by Mr. Lapp's efforts.

Mrs. Gordon Dies; Community Grieves

Had Been Resident Of This Section For 76 Years

Mrs. Alice J. Gordon, 76, a highly esteemed and respected resident of this section all her life, died last Friday at her family home in West Dallas. She had been ill since March but her death came as a severe shock to her hundreds of friends throughout this section.

Funeral services were held from the home on Tuesday afternoon at 2, with Rev. Lynn Brown of Lehman M. E. Church officiating. Interment was in the Idetown Cemetery. Pallbearers were Willard Diltz, Robert Chesney, Joshua Ferry, Merle Shaver, Kirt McCarty, and Carl Anderson.

Mrs. Gordon was the daughter of Horace and Hannah Spencer, old residents of this section. She had lived in Dallas Township during the entire span of her life. She was a splendid Christian woman, a fine mother, and a good neighbor.

Her husband, John Gordon, died about ten years ago. Mrs. Gordon was a devout member of the Idetown M. E. Church. Surviving are a son, Corey H. Gordon of Dallas; and two daughters, Helen and Hazel, at home; also a grandson, Paul Gordon and a granddaughter, Janet Gordon; and a sister, Mrs. Julia Spencer of Idetown.

Democrats Gain But G. O. P. Will Be On Top Here

Wyoming County Strong For Dietrich's Candidacy

CONTEST NEAR END

The Back Mountain Section gives every evidence of holding to its rockribbed Republican traditions this Fall but the Democratic vote here will probably be the largest ever polled by that party.

Because of the absence of local contests, interest in the election to be held November 6 is still dormant, except in Dallas Township where a \$25,000 bond issue is to be voted upon. The number of votes cast probably will be less than the 1,700 counted in Dallas Borough, Dallas Township, and Kingston Township last Spring but the number of Democratic votes will be many more than the 125 cast by that party's followers here in May.

Back Mountain communities gave Senator Reed tremendous pluralities last May at the primaries and it is likely that he will have most of that support next month, despite the efforts being made here in behalf of Joseph F. Guffey, the Democratic nominee. Guffey's greatest gains here will be among those voters who chose Reed as a protest against his opponent, Governor Finchot, and Pinchot's alignment with the candidate for governor, William A. Schnader may harm the Attorney General's candidacy here.

The Democratic gains in this section are due largely to the growing popularity of George H. Earle, the Democratic candidate for Governor. Because of strong political connections, Schnader will receive the majority of the Back Mountain votes, however, although strong Democratic sentiment in other parts of the county may carry Luzerne County for the Democrats.

Congressman C. Murray Turpin is assured a good majority in this section, although it is reported that his strength in many other sections of the county rests entirely with the support of the County G. O. P. machine and, that, lacking that support, he might easily lose to his Democratic opponent, Dr. John Casey.

Willard G. Shurtz, the present Representative of the Sixth Legislative District, of which Dallas and the Back Mountain area is a part, has both Democratic and Republican nominations.

Tremendous gains have been made in Wyoming County by the Democrats, largely because of the whole-hearted support being given by members of all parties to the candidacy of Elmer E. Dietrich, who seeks election as Congressman. Mr. Dietrich's opponent is Louis T. McFadden.

Throughout the Fifteenth District, Mr. Dietrich has made great gains during the last month and the enthusiasm for his candidacy which is general throughout Wyoming County has spread to other counties in the district which formerly were McFadden's strongholds.

As the end of the campaign approached this week, candidates for state offices redoubled their efforts to climax what will be Pennsylvania's hottest gubernatorial election in years. Particularly because it will be another test for the "New Deal", the state is being watched by political observers throughout the nation.

State-Wide Battle

In the eyes of the rest of the country, Pennsylvania's gubernatorial election is more than a contest between Democratic and Republican candidates. In an address this week, George Earle, the Democratic candidate for governor and former United States minister to Austria, said: "Pennsylvania is going to vote for or against President Roosevelt's program on November 6. Let us be perfectly clear about that. The Democratic Party is for his program. The Republican party is against it. Which will you have?"

"President Roosevelt has been in office 19 months. In that time he has started one of the greatest social and humanitarian reconstruction projects this nation has ever seen. We call it the New Deal. It is designed to bring about economic recovery by raising labor's wage through minimum scales, by establishing maximum work hours to decrease unemployment, by priming the pump with emergency federal expenditures. Some critics say it cost too much. I say that anything that brings us out of the chaos of depression cannot cost too much. I say that (Continued from Page 8.)

REPUBLICAN LILY STILL BLOOMING, DESPITE N. R. A.

There's a good omen for Republicans at the home of Mrs. O. L. Harvey 142 Franklin Street, Dallas. A lily plant which began blooming early in August is still going strong.

It has bloomed constantly for nearly three months now, each of its three or four stalks having four or five blossoms continually.

The lily is classified, officially, as the Republican lily. Even the NRA hasn't stopped it from blooming overtime.

The plant won first prize at the Trucksville flower show several months ago.