

POST SCRIPTS

RETURN
METER
ARTICLE
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FOX

Not that any one noticed it particularly but we didn't get around to writing any Post Scripts for last week's paper. In fact last week we didn't have much time to do anything but enjoy the new meter the water company put in.

It's a rather clever contraption they stick on a pipe and by lifting the metal lid you can read just how many gallons of water you've consumed. By Wednesday we'd pushed 'er up to 178 gallons and were just hitting our stride. We're a victim of mechanical lag. Somehow the rest of the world got about fifteen years ahead of us in its understanding of gears, dynamos, and piston rings. That's why most any kind of an automatic device provokes a kind of awed wonder in us. Unless they're pretty simple we shy away from them. "Better leave it alone" we say to ourselves, remembering several embarrassing incidents when we didn't. But there's nothing really complicated about the water company's meter. It's fool-proof. Sturdy and staunch—its little figures clicking off the consumption with a gay efficiency. Of course some of the novelty has worn off now—but we certainly have the water company to thank for the swell fun we had watching it work last week.

As far as we can recall, we've never divulged a source of confidential information, but people persist in sending us harmless little notes and veiling them in the most guarded anonymity. This one, for instance, postmarked "Wilkes-Barre":

A Suggestion
Why not call the Back Mountain Section
Mt. Blue Ridge
Progress.

Well, why not?
Fred M. Kiefer and Jimmie Gansel have written a story about Sir Malcolm Campbell's speed trials at Daytona Beach in Florida. It will appear in this month's issue of The Wyoming Valley Motorist.

Arthur Lee, who once ran a Kelly press for us and who used to write stories for us about life in the English army during the World War, stopped in to see us this week on his way back home to Toledo, O., from New York City, where he had been buying a new press. "Arch" has charge of a battery of lithograph presses in a big Toledo plant and the chances are that he supervised the printing of those diaries on your car's instrument board.

The explanation for the splendid publicity on the Shavertown Men's Club minstrel is that Maurice Chait, advertising manager for the Triangle Shoe Stores and one of the smartest public relations men in this section, has moved back to Shavertown and is turning a hand to help the club publicize its show.

Very few people remembered that John Yapple ever had a pompadour until we used that picture of him last week. Incidentally, we have a number of old pictures which we might keep out of the paper for a consideration.

It had been a tough winter for that tiny brown animal huddled in a clump of dried weeds.

The fox that lived in that territory had been hungry. A dozen times that tiny rabbit had managed to elude the swifter fox and reach, with bursting heart and lungs, a familiar burrow.

It hadn't been only the fox she had to fear. Hawks menaced her by day, owls by night.

But she had to find food and food is mighty scarce when all is brown and sear. Little to eat but bark.

Now it's spring. She is thinking about those little naked bodies for which she knows she soon must find a nest.

She doesn't venture out until darkness falls. She travels further afield than usual. She reaches a strange hard surface and ventures across. A pair of great eyes, blinding her own, bear down upon her.

Before she can move life is crushed out.

"Think I got him," a motorist boasts to his companion.

And that is what the Game Commission calls a human being just a little lower than—not a dog—a cur.

School Board Opens Bids For 5 Bus Routes

A special meeting of the Dallas Township school board was held in the high school building on Monday night, with president C. J. Elpper presiding. Bids for the five bus routes were received, with the following results:

Route 1, 8 miles. Allen Wilson, \$113 per month.
Route 2, 8.6 miles. Ted Wilson, \$111 per month.
Route 3, 6.4 miles. C. Besteder, \$113 per month.
Route 4, 6.7 miles. R. J. Elpper, \$125 per month.
Route 5, 9 miles. Frank Hess, \$119 per month.

Successful bidders must furnish \$1,000 bond; have insurance for \$50,000 liability and \$5,000 property damage. Secretary Russell Case presented letters and questionnaire from Harrisburg regarding the proposed addition to the school, but no definite action will be taken until the regular meeting on

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME WINS FAVOR

A spirited campaign being carried on in Wyoming Valley in an effort to have daylight saving time adopted this summer evoked considerable discussion in this section this week concerning the action to be taken by local business men if the valley communities agree to the plan.

Consensus of opinion here seemed to be that if Wilkes-Barre and surrounding towns decide to use daylight saving time, Dallas and its vicinity will almost be compelled to adopt the same system to prevent confusion among business men and commuters.

No definite agreement has been reached in the valley but the plan is being pushed by several service clubs and has received the indorsement of the Wyoming Valley Chamber of Commerce. Although there is some opposition to the daylight saving system, particularly among men working in the mines, it seems likely now that it will be adopted.

Most Eastern cities make a yearly practice of putting the clocks ahead one hour for the summer period. The chief advantage of that system is that people have one hour more of daylight after work for recreation or work about the garden.

The majority of persons who were questioned here this week were homeowners who would welcome daylight saving time. One borough official said he had no personal choice in the matter but that he believed in fairness to people who commute to Wilkes-Barre each day the communities in this section would be compelled to follow the example of the valley towns.

It is likely that the business men will hold a meeting to discuss the summer schedule of hours when it is known definitely what business men in the valley plan to do.

Laketon Seniors Rehearse Comedy

Miss Dunn Directs Play To Be Given At Lake On April 3

The Senior class of the Laketon High School will present the "Arrival of Kitty", a three-act comedy by Norman Lee Swartout, on Wednesday, April 3. Miss Margaret M. Dunn is the director.

This comedy has been successfully produced on the professional stage more than 5,000 times and over 1,500 times by amateurs. It is one of those rare and really funny plays with each part a star part. Jane, Mr. Winkler's niece, is ably portrayed by Ruth Delong. Clyde Mayer has the lead role as Bobbie Baxter, Jane's lover. Mr. Winkler, his sister-in-law, Jane and her maid Suzette are played by Dean Kocher, Helen Koslosky and Helen Sorchik. Harold Mayer, as Ting, the bell-boy is on the hop in all acts, being assisted by Theodore Karlisham, as Sam, the colored boy. Basil Lord as Benjamin More and Iva Bronson, as Kitty, the actress, furnish laughs and excitement in abundance as you follow them from one climax to another.

The student committee includes Jack Covert, Victor Nienius, Harvey Hebron, Elmer Deater, Arlo Meeker, Eunice Koslosky, Helen Shannon, Ruth Birth, Pearl Garnett and Margaret Walters.

Parents and friends of the students are invited to witness the play which will commence at 8. The proceeds will be used to defray the expenses of their Washington trip.

THE IMMEDIACY OF PARADISE

"Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise." Luke 23:43.

Prepared by Rev. Calvin P. Swank, D. D.

Four Roman soldiers are standing by the cross. The potion of wine and myrrh prepared by the women of Jerusalem out of kind and humane spirit was offered, but Jesus did not drink it. He would do nothing to interfere with the clarity of His mind until His mission was accomplished. Two criminals are beside the Saviour and in them we see the two divergent attitudes of men toward Him even today. The one scoffed and made light, the other believed and found a rich reward.

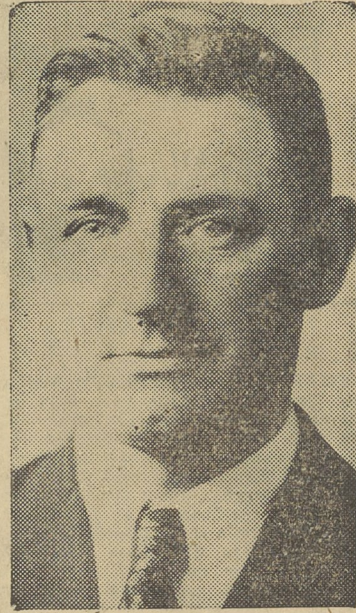
Matthew and Mark speak of these as "robbers." There were many such bands of robbers—literally thousands. The Jews cherished a "passion zealous for Israel's freedom." They hated Rome under whom they were a subject people. They believed that any deed against a Roman citizen was justified. This attitude was fallow ground for all kinds of Jewish sin. These two had fallen a prey to his malicious attitude and Rome was making speedy work of them.

I like to think that the penitent robber had been reared in a good Jewish home and that now he sees in the middle figure beside him, something that reminds him of what the prophets said and that His patience and goodness was like the Messiah, Whom he was taught to believe would come some day. But let's hear these "ruffians" speak. The one speaks tauntingly. He realizes that enmity against Jesus and that if he too shows the same spirit, he may receive some favor or mercy at their hands. But not so the other. He knows that he is guilty and deserves his punishment. He dares, in the presence of his crucifiers to open his mouth and declare Jesus innocent. He would, before his own death, reverse the decision of the Jewish and Roman courts in the presence of their officers. As though dressed in ermine robe of a governor, he says: "This man hath done nothing amiss," and crowns his statement with one of the prayer gems of literature, "Lord remember me when Thou comest into Thy kingdom."

The gracious reply of Him, Who had now become to the penitent robber a Saviour, was "Today shalt thou be with me in Paradise." It sounds so like our Lord's previous words, "In my Father's house there are many mansions." Paradise was a Persian word which meant garden. The Jews understood it well. It represented a quiet spot with trees and a mild and pleasant climate tempered by quietly rippling water. It was a place of rest when the day's work was done. The garden of Joseph, into which Jesus was later laid, was near. The sight of it reminded our Lord of that perfect heavenly garden. So the Saviour seems to say to the robber whose heart, by faith had been changed: "Today, just as soon as our tortured bodies give us release, you shall go with me to a beautiful place of rest."

Like all of our Lord's assurances, it is intimate, immediate, and infinite. It is not a question of where or what is Paradise. Anywhere, anything, that places us by His blessed side is Paradise. The bride cares not particularly where her beloved husband goes nor the condition of the country. Her happiness is in His presence. All that we need to know is that we shall be "with him." And it is always today in that "Land of pure delight
Where saints immortal reign
Where infinite day excludes the night
And pleasures banish pain."
This is Paradise. Its garden gate is open to you.
(Next week Dr. Swank's subject will be "Mother and Son.")

IN SHAVERTOWN MINSTREL SHOW



Reg Lacey, one of the star end men in the minstrel show to be presented by Shavertown Men's Club on Friday night, April 5, at Kingston Township High School.



Eddie Adolph, one of the talented youngsters who will appear in dance and song features at the Shavertown Minstrel Show. The juvenile star has an enviable reputation.

Shavertown Men To Stage Annual Show

1935 Minstrels Will Be Given
Friday Night,
April 5.

Shavertown Men's Club, which last year produced a minstrel of professional calibre, announces a new minstrel production to be given on Friday night, April 5, at Kingston Township High School. A particularly fine chorus of 60 male voices, the well-known Imperial Glee Club of Wilkes-Barre, and a number of feature comedians and soloists have been rehearsing diligently for this gala event, which is expected to attract a large audience.

The Shavertown Club, composed largely of men who take a prominent place in the industrial and commercial life of the valley, each year goes to great lengths to produce a minstrel which compares favorably with the efforts of professional performers. Last year's minstrel was so enthusiastically received that many men of exceptional talent have offered their services for this year's production.

Under the direction of David Joseph, such well known minstrel stars as the following have been enlisted to aid in the success of this gala effort: Reg Lacey, Ray Everett, Jim Jones and Morgan Williams, star endmen; two extremely talented youngsters, Mae Lacey and Eddie Adolph, will take the spotlight in newly created dance and song features; Howard Appleton, well-known Kingston Township School Director, in the role of interlocutor, will provide an able foil for the clowning of the blackface comedians.

The featured soloists are William Geyer, Arthur Evans, David Harris, Lou Jones, Don Hutchison and E. V. Davis. Each of these men possess fine voice and have been heard often in various singing festivities.

The annual show has come to be regarded as a big event in the way of entertainment for those who reside in and around the mountain community. A reputation for uniformly good productions has resulted in many talented Wyoming Valley persons volunteering their services.

Oratorical Contests

The Luzerne County oratorical contest for boys will be held in Forty Fort High School on April 3. Robert Fleming, a sophomore from Dallas Borough High school, will compete. Christine Ruggles, a senior, will represent the borough high school in the Girls' Contest, to be held on April 12.

Alexander Graham Bell obtained the patent upon his invention of the telephone on March 7, 1876, and it has been called the most valuable single patent ever issued. On the same day another inventor, Elisha Gray, applied for a similar patent, but later it was decided that Bell was the rightful inventor.

SUTTON HIGHEST SCORER IN INTER-SCHOLASTIC LEAGUE

Lehman Takes Honors With High Scores, Championship, And Record Of No Defeats; Kingston Township In Second Place; Borough Third

Lehman High School's championship basketball team garnered the majority of honors in the season just ended, a statistical compilation made by Homer Nelson, coach of the Dallas Borough High School quintet, shows.

Besides maintaining a record unmarred by defeats, Lehman gave the league its high scoring player and piled up the greatest number of offensive points.

Sutton Is Leader

Chester Sutton of Lehman scored a total of 106 points. Walter Schuler of Kingston Township High School was second with eighty-nine points scored.

The next eight leading scorers were: Disque Lehman 74, Deater Laketon 69, Loveland K. T. H. S. 55, Whitesell Lehman 54, Millard Beaumont 54, Traver Beaumont 49, Lyne K. T. H. S. 48, Hemingway D. T. H. S. 46.

Besides scoring the greatest number of points, Lehman Township high school also had the least number of points scored against it.

The record follows:

| Team | Scored | Against |
|--------------|--------|---------|
| Lehman | 325 | 180 |
| K. T. H. S. | 261 | 206 |
| Dallas Boro. | 219 | 182 |
| Laketon | 197 | 223 |
| Beaumont | 169 | 242 |
| Dallas Twp. | 132 | 265 |

The standings of the teams at the end of the season:

| Team | Won | Lost | Pct. |
|--------------|-----|------|-------|
| Lehman | 10 | 0 | 1.000 |
| K. T. H. S. | 8 | 2 | .800 |
| Dallas Boro. | 6 | 4 | .600 |
| Laketon | 2 | 8 | .200 |
| Beaumont | 2 | 8 | .200 |
| Dallas Twp. | 2 | 8 | .200 |

See Need For More Construction Jobs

Unemployment Council Has Meeting At Kingston Township

Urging the necessity for more road construction projects in Kingston township to put the unemployed to work, sixty members of Kingston Township Branch No. 22 Unemployed League of Luzerne county met Wednesday night in Kingston township Grade school building.

Members of the League pointed out the need for better roads in the township and stressed the importance of putting local men to work building them rather than bringing men in from other districts to work on such projects.

By-laws which were recently drafted for the Kingston Township Branch of the Unemployed were given their first reading.

There was also some discussion concerning the postmastership in Trucksville. A committee of the League was appointed some time ago to investigate charges that the recently appointed postmaster holds two other lucrative occupations. This, the League believes is not in accord with the Federal Government's expressed intention of spreading the jobs. Certain members of the League pointed out that the postmistress recently displaced in Trucksville is a widow who had to support a family and that since the appointment of the new postmaster has no job.

Jonah Coming Up

"The World's Jonah Coming Up", a message of timely interest, will be delivered by Harry Rundell at the Noxen Bible Tabernacle on Sunday, March 31, at 7:30 p. m. Mr. Rundell has returned from evangelistic duty in Berwick, and a good-sized crowd is expected to welcome him.

80 Years Old

C. C. Shiber of Washington Street, Wilkes-Barre, was honored guest at a dinner at the home of his nephew, Ray Shiber, Center Hill Road, Dallas, to celebrate Mr. Shiber's eightieth birthday.

RELIEF DELAY SLOWS PLANS FOR ROUTE 92

Finance Difficulties At Harrisburg Darken Hopes

ACTION DEMANDED

Pennsylvania's difficulties in raising money to match Federal relief appropriations are being watched closely by groups interested in having Route 92, between Dallas and Tunkhannock, reconstructed this year.

Unless the State can produce funds to support the Federal Relief Program that appropriation will be cut and Pennsylvania will be unable to carry on its road improvement program, confidential sources at Harrisburg said this week.

Differences of opinion between Governor George Earle and the Republican-controlled Senate are the chief obstacle in the way of the fund-raising program.

When a group of local men interviewed Warren Van Dyke, State Secretary of Highways, several weeks ago Mr. Van Dyke promised that the highway, or part of it, would be constructed this year if the Federal appropriation is made and if the State is able to raise money to match that appropriation.

Farmers Arrange For Group Sales

Co-operative Marketing Plans Adopted Here

On Saturday morning in the Luzerne County Agricultural Extension Association's Office, a group of representative potato growers from the different communities in Luzerne County met and perfected a County Organization.

Waldron Frederick of Conyngham Boro. was elected chairman of this meeting and also to be the county head of the purchase of the potatoes.

Under the plan that was adopted in Luzerne County, the growers are requested to telephone the chairman in each respective community or in adjacent communities, giving their name and address and the number of bushels of potatoes they would like to sell under this plan. This information should be sent to the following chairman in the various communities not later than noon, Friday, March 29th.

As soon as a county estimate of the number of potatoes available for sale, these chairman will meet and determine a quota for each community and a pro rata share for each grower in the community.

The general plan is that the potatoes will be graded co-operatively in each community at a central grading plant. From this point the potatoes will be inspected and each grower selling potatoes will be responsible for his potatoes being delivered to a central warehouse in Wilkes-Barre.

Potatoes must grade U. S. No. 1 and will be inspected by a representative of the Bureau of Markets, Department of Agriculture at no cost to the grower. The price is 69c per hundred pound sack, delivered to Wilkes-Barre. The sacks are returnable to the farmer at the time of delivery or at such time within sixty days as he may call for same. It is expected that the purchase of these potatoes will be started in about ten days.

The following were elected to act as chairman for their respective communities:—A community may embrace several adjoining townships.

Briggsville and Hobbie — Clemon Smith, Nescopeck; Fred Hess, Nescopeck.

Huntington Mills — H. B. Lerner, Huntington Mills.

Muhlenburg — E. B. Vosler, Hunlock Creek, R. D.

Lehman and Jackson — Alfred Rice, Dallas, R. D.

Carverton and Dallas — J. B. Schooley, Trucksville, R. D.

Conyngham Valley — Waldron Frederick, Conyngham.

Black Creek — Clyde Zehner, Sugarloaf.

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FIRST NIGHTERS ACCLAIM BIG BENEFIT FIREMEN'S SHOW AS HIT

A capacity audience applauded the cast of "Aren't We All" enthusiastically as the first performance of the 1935 Benefit Show of Dr. Henry M. Laing Company was given last night in Dallas Borough High School.

The comedy will be repeated tonight in the high school.

Although the plot was a humorous one and the action itself compelled interest, the chief interest in the production centered about the great number of local persons who took part. The audience, composed largely of friends and relatives, greeted the actors and actresses with clamorous applause and appeared to extract the maximum of enjoyment from the play.

A great many impromptu episodes, injected by members of the cast to liven up the dialogue, provoked a great deal of amusement. The good-natured jokes on local people were particularly well-received.

Generally, the play was recognized as the finest ever given by the local company. Much of the credit for the success was given to Mrs. Arlene Rood, the director.

No estimate could be made of the receipts but it expected that the production will also be one of the most profitable to the company and that it will receive a sizable sum for current expenses and for its proposed building fund.

The firemen, under the direction of their committee chairman, worked especially hard on the production this year. Aside from sponsoring the show and arranging its details, the volunteer firemen published an interesting and valuable souvenir program which netted an appreciable sum.

James Besecker, general chairman, last night expressed his gratitude to all persons who appeared in the show, to business men who helped, and to all others who contributed to the success of the production.

Tonight's performance will be the final one.