

POST SCRIPTS

MEMORIAM PARALYSIS BATTLE PIONEERS TOMORROW

There is no Kunkle news in The Post this week, no word of folks who attended the grange meeting at Beaumont or entertained their cousins from Sweet Valley over the week-end. There is no Kunkle news, for Minnie Kunkle, who chronicled the doings of her neighbors for so many years, died last Saturday night.

This week there is no one from Kunkle to come in and sit across from us at our desk, as Minnie Kunkle did so often, recalling fine things in some life that had just reached its end. Oddly enough, Mrs. Kunkle seemed to remember only the best things about people. Perhaps that is why, now that she has gone, we are impressed by the consistent fineness of her own life.

We can scarcely believe that she will not be in today or tomorrow, apologizing because she has missed her deadline. She worried when her items were overdue. She never failed to phone us if her column was to be late. Only an editor knows how rare such consideration is. And that was typical of Minnie Kunkle's thoughtfulness.

She knew that readers were disappointed when her items were missing. Two weeks ago illness prevented her from writing her column, but last week we saw her coupe roll up and when we went out there she was, tired and ill, but with three sheets of Kunkle items. It should not be difficult to understand why we admired Mrs. Kunkle.

Her items were not the kind of journalism which wins Pulitzer prizes, but they did reflect, as nothing else written does, the every-day life of a typical American community. Each week in British Columbia, in Panama, and in Oregon home-stick subscribers scanned her personals for names which brought them home for a second.

Mrs. Kunkle was our oldest, our most faithful and our most valuable correspondent. We would be unworthy of the long loyalty to this paper if we neglected to recognize now the simple creed of service and kindness which she has bequeathed to all of us.

Last Fall a wave of infantile paralysis swept across the nation, taking nineteen lives in Chicago and alarming health authorities elsewhere. In September two cases were discovered in Dallas and a shiver of panic ran through the town. Schools were closed quickly and for a week parents lived in dread of an epidemic. Then the frosts came and everyone breathed easier, because the danger to them had passed.

The one case, George Phillips, recovered quickly, and without serious effect. The other victim, Agnes Kline, personable and healthy 29-year-old girl who had been stricken while she visited her sister, Mrs. Daniel Waters on Huntsville Street, was less fortunate. When most of us were forgetting the poliomyelitis scare, Miss Kline was just beginning a fight to regain the use of her paralyzed legs.

Only a few years ago there would have been little use of fighting. But through the efforts of her family and of Congressman J. Harold Flannery, Miss Kline was taken to the world-famous hospital at Warm Springs, Ga., where President Roosevelt recovered from infantile paralysis, and which is now financed by money raised by the President's Ball.

Miss Kline went to Georgia last November. From time to time news has come by letter or through relatives who have visited her of her courageous battle. Since the beginning it has been a slow, hard fight, frequently discouraging, but her own splendid spirit, with the help of the scientific equipment available at Warm Springs and the masterful skill of her physicians, has not been wasted. We learned this week that on a great day recently Miss Kline, the girl who was helpless nine months ago, walked upright about her bed. And if this should reach her, we

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FAITH HARDING WINS MENTION ON PROGRAM BROADCAST OVER WOR

Faith Hope Charity Harding, precocious daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry G. Harding of Trucksville and whose predictions of future events have puzzled many people, was the subject of a sketch on a program called "Women Make The News" on Station WOR on Tuesday.

It was the second time WOR has discussed the child's peculiar mental faculties within a month. Last month a commentator described the methods being followed to keep a record of and check Faith's visions of future events.

Democrats Reduce Traditional Lead Of GOP In Dallas

Registration Is Most Evenly Balanced In Years Figures Show

DEMS GAIN STEADILY

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Heavy and steadily increasing gains in Democratic registration throughout Dallas and vicinity since President Roosevelt's election in 1933 are disclosed by current registration figures.

Republican registration has maintained its former approximate ratio of three to one in Dallas Borough and Kingston Township alone. Registration figures show a Republican majority of about two to one throughout the Back Mountain district in the most evenly balanced registration in years, reflecting the general trend of Luzerne County since its Democratic capture in local elections last fall. Most notable Democratic gain was shown in Lehman Township, with the Southwest district in that place showing a Democratic plurality.

A strong drive by Sixth District Chairman Peter Clark and his Republican forces, leading up to registration deadline on October 9th, will boost the Republican figures to a very great extent, it is believed, but from all indications, the Democratic registration will very nearly keep its present pace. Judging by the recent lopsided primary, however, Judge Arthur H. James, Republican candidate for Governor, will poll an immense majority in this section in the general election next fall.

	Rep.	Dem.
Dallas Borough	531	162
Dallas Township	730	406
Kingston Township	1270	420
Lehman Township	414	256
Lake Township	453	423
Franklin Township	199	102
Jackson Township	315	223
Totals	3917	1992

Fireman Set \$1,000 For Campaign Goal

Dallas Volunteers To Make First Appeal In Two Years

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A campaign to collect \$1,000 in pledges during the next month will be started by Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co. at its annual supper at Adam Kiefer's red barn at Shrine View tomorrow.

The firemen have made no public appeal for funds since 1936 when \$700 was contributed. Recently several lengths of worn-out hose burst and the firemen purchased \$900 worth of new hose, borrowing from the bank to pay for it.

Formerly the fire company conducted several benefit shows and a carnival every year to raise funds. The plan of appealing directly to citizens for cash pledges met with such success two years ago that the company has not had to sponsor any fund-raising schemes since.

The equipment of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Co. was purchased with contributions from the people of the borough and the township and the men serve without compensation.

Clyde Lapp is chairman of the drive, which will end on July 18. Tom Robinson is chairman of the Bean Supper, tickets for which can be purchased from any member of the company or at the Red Barn.

To Connect Noxen On Lake Exchange

35 Subscribers Will Have Dial Phones After July 5

About 35 telephone sets in Noxen homes will be converted into dial phones next month, Michael Kuchta, manager of the local branch of Commonwealth Telephone Co. announced yesterday.

Noxen telephones are connected with the Centerville exchange now but will be on the Harvey's Lake exchange after the switch is made, Mr. Kuchta explained. A new line has been erected along the five miles between the Lake and Noxen.

The changes will not be in effect until after the new directory is issued, probably after July 5, and none of the new numbers can be used until after they are published. Harvey's Lake already has dial telephones, as has Tunkhannock.

STAR OF KITCHEN



Mary Lou Lender, who plays the part of Dedee Abot in "Star in My Kitchen," the moving picture which will be shown at Himmler Theatre on June 29 and 30 and July 1 in connection with The Post's Second Annual Free Cooking School. Miss Lender is as lovely and sweet as her photograph indicates and has just finished an important part with one of Hollywood's famous male stars in a picture yet to be released.

Advice, As Well As Fun, In Free Movie

Cooking School June 29, 30 And July 1 Has Full Program

Going to school in a theatre! It sounds odd, doesn't it? But that is what women of Dallas and neighboring communities will be doing when The Post's Second Annual Motion Picture Cooking School comes to town on June 29.

There will be real lessons, too, lessons in measuring, mixing, and blending the ingredients for many recipes; in the preparation of such triumphs as a lattice-top fruit pie; in making delicious frozen desserts and salads; in laundering fine fabrics, and in planning healthful meals for growing children.

The class won't be all work, though, for there is a constant play of sparkling humor, the appeal of tender romance, the suspense of a coherent, intelligently-directed story, which dramatizes everyday happenings, in "Star in My Kitchen," the full-length, all-talking, part-technicolor picture which will be the main feature of the three-day cooking school.

Everything will be free, admission to the school, the daily recipe sheets, the samples, the generous store of gifts that will be carried home and the advice and exhibits which will be sponsored by manufacturers and merchants. Everyone who attended last year's highly successful school will be back. All those who missed last year's show are urged to be present. Complete and final details will be announced in next week's Post. Watch for them!

GETS SCHOLARSHIP

Florence Dempski, tuition student at Dallas Borough High School, has been awarded a scholarship by International Correspondence Schools.

SCOUT HIKE

Dallas Girl Scout Troop hiked to the fire tower on Tuesday and ate dinner at the country club picnic grounds. In the afternoon Mrs. Stanley Davies awarded badges.

Corporal Punishment Right Of Parents, Townsfolk Say

BELIEVE CERTAIN AMOUNT IS JUSTIFIED

A certain amount of corporal punishment in the schools may be necessary to maintain discipline, but under ordinary circumstances parental punishment should be adequate, according to a cross-sectional census conducted in Dallas this week.

Generally speaking, the men interviewed felt that the day of the hickory stick has passed, and that only mild physical punishment in extreme cases, should be permitted. Most of the women believed that all corporal punishment should be administered at home at the discretion of the parents.

John H. Thomas, adjutant of the Daddow-Isaacs Post, American Legion, believes that the law passed in 1931 forbidding corporal punishment in the schools is a significant factor in the change in teaching methods, and that sufficient discipline can be maintained in classroom without recourse to force. A younger and more modern type of student has made the old strong arm methods unnecessary, he said.

Peter M. Oberst, Main Street barber, expressed an opinion that some boys have no respect for the words and or-

Police Are Still At Work On Noxen Shooting Scrape

Farmer Says He Fired Shot Thinking Nephew Was Prowler

TWO ARE QUESTIONED

State Motor Police were silent yesterday on the results of their investigation of the shooting of William Brown, 23, of 27 Kelley Street, Luzerne, at Noxen last Saturday morning. They reported they are still working on the case.

William Kibbler, a Noxen farmer and Brown's uncle, is reported to have shot the Luzerne man in the left leg in the belief that he was a chicken thief. Charles Hartman, the officer in charge on the case, was not at the barracks yesterday and it could not be learned if any charges have been brought against Kibbler.

Two men who were with Brown, William Bernard and Edward Nafus of Luzerne, were taken into custody for questioning shortly after the shooting but State Police would not admit that they are still being held.

Brown says he went to the home of his uncle early Saturday morning and found the place closed. He knocked on the door, he said, and was leaving when someone fired a shot and he fell wounded.

Kibbler said he was awakened by noises in the rear of his home and believed thieves were after his chickens. He got his gun and fired at one of the men. He did not know it was his nephew, he declared.

NO DEFICIENCY AID

Dallas Borough School District has received word from the State Highway Department that it will not receive deficiency aid provided to stricken school districts this year because its financial condition is good enough to permit it to borrow.

Beaumont To Test Arrows' Baseball

Dallas Nine After Revenge For Hard Loss Four Weeks Ago

Apparently recovered from their early-season lethargy, the Dallas Arrows will go after Beaumont's scalp on Sunday afternoon at Espy field in an attempt to gain revenge for a 5-4 defeat at the hands of Beaumont in a ten-inning game last month.

The Arrows managed by Don Grose, have shown great improvement in their last two games, defeating East Dallas, 14 to 3, and Jenks, 5 to 2. Last Sunday's game with Jenks was called in the seventh inning because of rain. Previously Dallas had lost to Jenks, Beaumont, and Noxen.

Sunday's game should be a close and exciting one. Since the two teams played their thriller, the Dallas nine has shown vast improvement in hitting and fielding. There will be no charge for admission but an offering is taken.

CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Kunkle and Margaret Kunkle wish to express their appreciation to all those who sent flowers or helped in any way in their recent bereavement.

First Of Several Hundred Distrain Notices Served

Acting On Demand Of School Board, Dallas Borough Tax Collector Appoints Professional Collection Firm As Deputy In Drive To Reduce Balance Owed District

BOARD WILL RESUME LINE'S CASE NEXT WEEK

The first of several hundred distraint notices to be served on delinquent taxpayers in Dallas Borough were issued yesterday by Tax Collector Arthur Dungey, who has been ordered by Dallas Borough School Board to "crack down" on delinquents who are responsible for the more than \$2,100 balance he owes the district.

The notices will be served by Kishbaugh-Smith of Kingston, professional delinquent tax collectors, and persons who have neglected to pay their per-capita taxes will be charged a fee in addition to the penalty already due. The per capita tax in Dallas Borough is \$5.

The drastic action followed a meeting of the borough school board on Wednesday night, when Mr. Dungey reported the balance due the board on the 1937 duplicate. After all allowances had been made, Mr. Dungey owed the school board \$6,241.27. Thirty-four exonerations, totalling \$178.50 were deducted, as were the land returns, amounting to \$4,643.46, leaving a balance of \$1,419.31 due the district. Of that amount, \$1,257.31 is in per capita taxes.

In addition to that balance due on the 1937 duplicate, Mr. Dungey also owes the board \$134.06 on the 1934 duplicate, \$234.21 on the 1935 duplicate, and \$385.33 on the 1936 duplicate, a total of \$2,172.96. Unless he can reduce that balance materially his appointment to collect the 1938 duplicate will be endangered.

As in other nearby communities, tax collections in the borough have been increasingly difficult and the drastic action inaugurated yesterday by Mr. Dungey comes only after ordinary collection methods have failed. The Kishbaugh-Smith collecting agency was recently restrained from collecting when the former attorney general, Charles J. Margiotti, charged its methods were illegal. Since then the organization has had a decision warranting its methods of collection and is permitted to serve in Pennsylvania as a deputy regularly-elected tax collector.

Hearing Next Week

At the same meeting at which the directors conferred with Mr. Dungey they made arrangements to resume hearings in the case of Ernest E. Line, member of the high school faculty who has been charged by the board with misleading it as to his certification and punishing two boys physically. The directors notified Attorney Arthur Maguire, counsel for Mr. Line, that they will meet any time at his convenience during next week.

A contract was executed with T. A. Willamnee as the new supervising principal of the high school and the secretary was authorized to write a letter to the present principal, Harry L. Tennyson, thanking him for his splendid services and expressing best wishes for his future.

The following contracts were awarded:

Laboratory supplies, W. W. Welsh, Chicago, \$36.45; coal, buckwheat, Frank Edwards, R. D. 3, \$3.90 a ton; egg, Mineral Springs Coal Co., \$6.70 a ton; janitors' supplies, Kurtz Bros., Clearfield, \$74.17; Anthracite Janitors' Supply Co., Plymouth, \$45.75; J. I. Holcomb Co., Indianapolis, \$65.00; general school supplies, Kurtz Bros., \$175.77; H. A. Whiteman, \$72.37.

The equipment destroyed included a reaper, corn cutter, gas engine, feed mill, corn sheller, cultivator, two-horse hiller, spray machine, marker and shovel plow. Eight to 10 tons of hay, three to four tons of straw, 200 bushels of corn and 40 bushels of oats also were destroyed. The loss was estimated at more than \$4,000 and was not covered by insurance.

Two years ago Mr. Welsh's herd was stricken fatally by Bangs disease and he had been building up a new herd. His cattle have been beginning to produce and in expectation of increasing milk volume he had just built a new milk house.

Store Partnership Agreed Dissolved

The partnership of Joseph Schmerer and Barton Long, who have operated a retail grocery store on Huntsville Hill, has been dissolved, Joseph Schmerer announced this week. Mr. Schmerer will continue the business.

Share In Payments From Old District

Kingston Township Receives \$1,364; Franklin Gets \$34.43

The school district of Kingston Township received \$1,364.50 this week as its share of funds which have accumulated from income from lands which were set aside by the proprietors of the original Kingston Township more than a century ago.

Ten other school districts also received shares of the \$14,348.01 which was distributed by Attorney W. P. Brewster, representing the Trustees for the Proprietors of the old township. Franklin Township received the smallest share, \$34.43. Other districts which benefited are in Wyoming Valley.

The money had accumulated since 1822, when certain land was set aside to finance schools and churches. The discovery of coal brought tremendous revenue for a time and about \$140,000 was distributed about ten years ago.

Nicholas Staub Is Named Postmaster

Succeeds William Luksic At Trucksville; Long A Resident

SHOTGUN WOUND FATAL

An accidental discharge of the shotgun he was carrying blew out the brains of Cecil DeWitt, Carverton farmer, Wednesday morning, when he interrupted a hunt for crows to tie up a stray cow, and then tripped over the chain with which he had secured the animal. The body was taken to W. T. Scureman funeral parlors in Wyoming, whence the funeral will be held this afternoon.

The appointment of Nicholas Staub of Trucksville as postmaster at the Trucksville office was announced from the office of the Postmaster General in Washington, D. C. yesterday.

Mr. Staub will succeed William Luksic, who has resigned after filling the position for the last four years. The salary is \$2,000. Mr. Staub is the son of Nicholas Staub and a member of a pioneer family of the Kingston Township section.

In addition to his farming activities, Mr. Staub is engaged in construction work.