

Oh Where, Oh Where, Has My Little Dog Gone

Every dog, so they say, has his day and the mutts of Luzerne county had theirs last week. Dallas dogs, more fortunate than their city brothers, roam at will as is their custom. They can wag a tail comfortably anywhere.

Their good fortune, we learn now, was just a matter of economics. It costs more to drive a Humane Society ambulance to Dallas to pick up a stray than in the more populous alleys and narrow streets of the valley. Wear and tear on a truck costs money and the chance that the dogcatcher might have to chase \$2 worth of ears all over our rocky hills and wood lots, makes this the land of freedom for dogs. Of course if someone notified the chief dispatcher's office that some meek little pooch was cornered in a house or yard, the white ambulance might come all the way to Dallas to pick up the pet and "find a nice home for him" in the valley—dog heaven we now learn was his destiny.

A "profitable" Humane Society has to have dogs in volume to make money at \$1 an ear; it, like any other business has got to have turn-over. This area was a land of diminishing returns; that's why a lot of Dallas Dogs still have their ears, and why well bred city dogs coined the expression, "I'd give my ears to live in Dallas."

It might not always have been so pleasant for Dallas dogs. Another year of big volume like last year might rapidly have depleted the urban dog population. Then Dallas dogs would have come in for more Humane consideration even if less profitable. The law of supply and demand—not the dog laws—would have seen to that. This fertile field might well have become the happy hunting grounds for the humanitarian work of the Humane Society. With the organization really on a production basis, it is not likely that the whole of Luzerne county could have supplied enough dogs and we would soon have had to import them from surrounding counties. Even the lowly hot dog might soon have been forced to grow ears. Such a possibility was avoided with the publicity given the Humane Society's slaughter shop by the State Dog Inspector this week.

All jesting aside, it is a serious situation when the public is imposed upon by an organization which in most communities has gained the respect to give meaning to its name. The primary motive behind any humanitarian organization is not profit nor to become self-supporting. If the Humane Society needed memberships or financial support to carry on its legitimate work, it could have secured it from those who love animals and pets. Unfortunately it needed memberships only for a front, and those were supplied by well-intentioned sentimentalists who failed to see that the organization was properly conducted.

The most important lesson in the fiasco is this: Let those who lend their names freely to organizations seeking public trust and confidence assume the responsibility of making certain that they are run honestly and above board.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

We read a letter to Dorothy Dix in a competitive sheet a little while ago. A young woman of eighteen was complaining because her mother kept trying to make her go out with a friend of the family, "an old man of thirty-seven." She had better things to do, she said, than assist this wreck around the streets, better things to listen to than his antique lecherous prattle. Miss Dix agreed with her warmly, and so do we. Youth ought to stick to youth. Once, when we were eighteen, we went out with a dear old lady about thirty-five and she swiped our watch. That cured us.

Boston stories continue to seep southward. There is for example, the case of the Western lady who was taken to the meeting of a club there. "And just where do you come from," one of the dames asked, "From Idaho" the Western lady told her. In the kindest possible way, the Boston lady patted her hand and said, "My dear, I'm sure you won't take offense if I tell you something you ought to know. We pronounce it, Ohio." It must have been at another Boston Club meeting that the topic of conversation revolved about family backgrounds. "You know," said a Back Bay matron, "in Boston we think breeding is everything," and an honest Westerner replied, "well, in the West we think it's a lot of fun but we don't think it's everything."

We'd bet, if the electric light companies, could narrow it down, their charts would show a greater consumption of light on Friday night than on any other night of the week. That is the evening most folks read Time—and if they are lucky Life once in a while gets there ahead of Time. But that's the light company's problem and the reader's, not ours. What interests us is the way these magazines and the Readers Digest are accepted in the best and lowest circles.

Take Life for example. For more than three years we have been watching a very bothersome struggle in the publishing world—Life trying to figure out a way to print a picture of a living, breathing woman with absolutely no clothes on. The special problem of Life, of course, is that everything in it has to have the air of a respectable, high-minded commentary on America. Life, that is, can't publish a picture of a naked woman with the simple caption: Woman Undressed. It has got to say something. Once in a while they get it. We are glad to report that after years of frustration and seventeen million angle shots that almost got there but not quite, the editors have finally seen the answer. Like all truly great things it was simple. They merely photograph life art classes in various universities from East to West. Once they photographed Yale art school. That was their best. It had Yale, it had Art, it had Class, it had America; it had everything, including no clothes on. It was Life's dream come true. It was a tremendous relief to us. And a very interesting picture, too.

Time doesn't have to worry quite as much as Life. One must be able to read to get much from Time so

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Few Early Risers See Army Convoy

Lee Routes Battery B Through Home Town

Few local persons were on the streets Wednesday at 7:15 as Capt. Larry Lee of Battery B and his convoy of twelve trucks and artillery pieces passed through Dallas from Tunkannock to the 109th Regiment Armory in Kingston.

The captain is proud of his outfit. Late Tuesday night he telephoned Burgess Herbert A. Smith that he had made arrangements to route his heavily loaded trucks through Dallas so that local residents might have an opportunity to see a part of the regiment depart for Indian-town Gap.

The Battery left the Tunkannock armory promptly at 6 a. m., arrived in Dallas at 7:15 and left Kingston at 8. In the convoy were several field pieces, station wagons, regular trucks and two of the army's latest four-wheel drives with trailers.

Three Battery members were unable to accompany the convoy. They were Sgt. Robert Passmore of Tunkannock, kept home by illness; Corp. Ralph C. Sands, whose mother is seriously ill in a Wilkes-Barre hospital and Pvt. Lloyd Baker, who is in General Hospital.

Outstanding Actor To Receive Award

Will Bestow Honors At Annual Dinner

Each year the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences makes an annual award to the outstanding actor and actress of the production of the year. The awards for 1938 and 1939 were given to Robert Donat for his work in "Good Bye Mr. Chips" and to Vivien Leigh for her acting in "Gone With the Wind."

Friday night at the last performance of "Let Us Take Council," Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company's annual production, James O'Boyle received the award for his outstanding work in last year's production, "West of the Rio," establishing a custom which the firemen hope to continue each year. This year's award, a beautiful bronze shaft, known in motion picture slang as an "Oscar," was the gift of Fred M. Kiefer, co-author of the 1940 and 1941 shows. Presentation was made by Calvin McHose, chairman of the show committee.

The "Oscar" for best performance in "Let Us Take Council" will be awarded at the annual dinner for the east late in March. Selection will be made by popular vote of those who saw the show. During the next four weeks a ballot will appear in this newspaper and at the conclusion of the voting a committee of judges will count the ballots and disclose the winner to the committee in charge of making the award.

Ballots may be mailed or brought to The Dallas Post. All ballots must be signed, and no more than one ballot should be sent in by the same person.

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Dallas Church To Hear Mrs. Albert A. Drasher

Mrs. Albert A. Drasher, soloist at the Kingston Presbyterian Church, will give a fifteen minute recital in Dallas Methodist Church Sunday evening in accordance with the plan to have special music at the church one Sunday evening a month. Mrs. Drasher will sing "The Good Shepherd" by Van de Water and "A Song of Patience" by Beethoven.

Gross Adolph Takes To Army Life And Joins Up For The Duration

Among the 800 officers and men of Wyoming Valley's own 109th Field Artillery when it left bright and early Wednesday morning for Indian-town Gap, none was more eager to be up and going than its newest member Capt. Larry Lee's Great Dane, giant Gross Adolph. The Dane, purchased especially by Larry to guard his hearthstone while the Captain is away at the wars, soon took to army life and soldiers rather than domesticity, and now is a full-fledged mascot of Battery B. His sleek tan coat and fine physique make him a popular member of the outfit.

When Adolph neglected home duties and trailed Larry to the regiment, he had no more ardent pleaders for his induction than two majors and the regiment's Adjutant Policoff, who by way is a veterinarian and pledged to look out for the dog's health.

For the past ten days Adolph has been stationed with the Battery at Tunkannock living at the Arm-

WHEN AXIS LEADERS RELAXED AT FLORENCE MEETING



Adolf Hitler (the bum) and Benito Mussolini (a bigger bum) relax and temporarily forget about their set-backs in their attempted invasions of England and Egypt respectively as they attended a concert in Florence, Italy. It is believed that it was during this conference Hitler agreed to send Nazi mechanized forces which Mussolini now says are helping the Italians in Africa which the British confirmed this week.

Fire Company Nets \$514 On Annual Show

Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company will hear final reports of committees in charge of its annual play, "Let Us Take Council" at its meeting tonight in the fire house. Arthur Dungey, financial chairman of the show committee has announced that the show made a net profit of \$514. He will give his complete report to the company this evening.

Methodist Army Will Raise Funds

Local Churches Help War Relief Program

More than 100,000 men, enough to make a sizeable army if assembled in one place, will "right dress" and "forward march" down the aisles of the Methodist Churches of America on Sunday, the denomination's "Day of Compassion," in a maneuver which, while not military, is definitely war-related.

Armed with offering plates they will receive gifts in a campaign to raise a total of a million dollars from eight million Methodists for three appealing causes: aid to British Methodists; general overseas relief; religious and social welfare work among the boys in training. Because the nation-wide effort centers on a single day, Methodist ministers are asking those who cannot be present to send their "offerings in advance or by someone who can place it on the plate."

All Methodist churches of this area will have special sermons. At Dallas Methodist church Rev. Francis Freeman will use the parable of the Good Samaritan as his sermon theme.

Wyoming Rotary Host To Dallas Rotarians

Members of Dallas Rotary Club were guests of the Wyoming Club last night at an Inter-city meeting in observance of the 36th anniversary of the founding of Rotary International. Chairman of the meeting was Atty. Max Rosen. Speakers were Dr. George Williams and Rabbi Samuel Wolk.

Farmers Enthusiastically Support Movement To Establish A Cannery

Seven Per Cent Of Those Polled Can Supply One-third Of Crops Needed

First returns from 58 out of 900 farmers polled in Back Mountain Townships by Luzerne County Farm Bureau to determine the amount of acreage available for three cannery crops—tomatoes, sweet corn and peas—indicate an enthusiastic acceptance of the proposal to interest a reliable cannery in locating here.

The first 58 farmers to reply, or about 7% of those polled, said they could provide 343 acres for cannery crops, broken up as follows: 138 acres tomatoes; 154 acres sweet corn and 51 acres peas, or about one-third of the necessary acreage to provide a cannery with ample produce for profitable operation.

James Hutchison, county agent, said he was pleased with the acceptance accorded the proposal. Many farmers jotted comment on their return cards. One said, "A cannery will not only create a new market, it will strengthen our present one." Another wrote, "This is what I have long wanted to see established in Luzerne County." Many wrote, "I am very much interested, count on me for continued co-operation."

Mr. Hutchison said he knew that many more cards would be in his office before the close of the week. He urged farmers "to take their cards from behind the clock on the kitchen shelf where they have put them for safe keeping and further study, and mail them in right away. When I asked farmers to return their cards before February 25, I forgot about no mail deliveries on Washington's Birthday; so we have extended the period for return another week."

Mr. Hutchison further stated, "If a cannery can be assured from 300 to 400 acres of tomatoes, about the same acreage of sweet corn and 200 to 300 acres of peas, he'll be right interested in establishing here. With definite figures on which to work we can really get down to business and have something to offer."

In his letter to 900 farmers, Mr. Hutchison said: "For sometime there has been considerable interest in the organization of a cannery in the northern end of the county. I personally believe a cannery would greatly increase the use of much idle land, and also increase the cash income per farm."

"In the formation of a cannery it is my thought, that there should be no local promotion or investment of money, but that an effort should be made to bring in a cannery who is looking for a site in an area where quality vegetables can be produced."

"There is no question that with our upland soils, we can, weather permitting, produce quality in tomatoes par excellent, and likewise with corn."

"Before we can interest a cannery in locating within this area we must give him an idea of the acreage that might be available. We can't promise definitely that a local cannery can be established but we can with every farmer's effort make a real attempt to get one."

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- THE POST WANTS:
1. Permanent and legible street markings and numerals on all homes in Dallas, Shavertown and Truckville.
 2. Emphasis locally on activities which will train men and women in national defense measures.
 3. The installation of fire plugs in Dallas Borough.
 4. The construction of a new, shorter highway between Dallas and Harvey's Lake before 1942.
 5. Centralization of police protection in the Dallas area.
 6. More sidewalks.

Enlarged Acme Market To Open Next Thursday

Store To Be Closed Monday And Tuesday To Complete Work

Painters, roofers and carpenters were busy this week putting the final touches on the new 25x60 foot addition to the Acme Market on Main Street. When the store closes for business Saturday night the market will not re-open until Thursday morning in order to give employees and construction crews an opportunity to renovate the interior of the entire store, install new fixtures and rearrange stock.

Exterior of the building along Mill Street is being sided with asbestos shingles and the two-story front will be painted in cream with blue trim. At the same time roofers are at work laying a fire proof composition roof on the building.

Interior arrangement will be the most modern design with complete new lay-out of fixtures and shelving. The meat department will extend along the entire rear of the store room, with an up-to-date fruit and vegetable department at the right. The dairy department will be one of the most modern units to be found anywhere. Special fixtures in this department are among the first to be used in any similar market in Wyoming Valley.

When the market reopens on Thursday morning, officials of the company are of the opinion that it will be one of the most modern and progressive stores in the American Stores system.

Defense Classes Are Overcrowded

Township Hopes To Add Another Course

Enrollment in National Defense shop classes which are being held five nights a week at Lehman and Dallas Township schools have exceeded all expectations. Classes have been limited to 20 students at Lehman and 25 at Dallas Township.

Because neither school has facilities nor the instructors to handle larger classes, authorities at Dallas Township are seeking approval to open another class in woodworking and metal work. If 10 to 12 additional youths register their desire to join classes at Lehman a similar effort will be made.

Classes in sheet metal work in Dallas Township are being held in the old Goss school. While the class in metal work has been cut to 25 there are still approximately 30 men on the waiting list. The Township schools have made application with the State Department of Education to open preliminary courses in woodworking for these men. Thorwald Lewis, supervising principal, says that there are not now any additional funds provided in the State for new classes but legislation is being rushed to provide such funds.

If the Township application is approved additional equipment for woodworking courses will be ordered. This will include pedestal grinder, wood lathes, band saws, jointers, scroll and circular saws. Most popular phase to date of the metal working courses is the mechanical drawing station. Students who fail to attend class regularly are dropped from the courses immediately and men from the waiting lists are given their places.

Township Parents To Hear Concert

Unusual Instruments To Be Played Monday

Dallas Township Band Parents' Association will hear music played on unusual band instruments Monday night when a representative of Gage Musical Instrument Company attends their meeting at Dallas Township High School.

The program is sure to be of interest to all parents of prospective members of the band. At the same time plans will be laid for the annual spring banquet for the band.

Another feature of the program will be a concert by the band with a number of the young musicians playing special instruments loaned by the Gage Company.

Eddie Wallo Brings Home The Bacon, Crown Of Roses And A Championship

No soldier returning from the wars ever came home laden with more trophies than Eddie Wallo, Huntsville boxer, when he returned from the British Gloves Boxing Tournament held last Thursday and Friday in Binghamton, N. Y., for the British War Relief Fund. In addition to a new set of boxing gloves, new punching bag and \$20 worth of merchandise donated by Binghamton merchants, Eddie also brought along a crown of roses, rather withered, but all the same the crown for the championship in his particular boxing class.

Eddie had a field day at Binghamton winning over three opponents—one of them Donald Setzer of Mildred, his nemesis in the CYO tournaments at Plymouth a few weeks ago when the Mildred lad won two out of three tilts in successive bouts. Eddie needed just one round at Binghamton to win over Setzer with a technical knock out.

He also won over Virgil Gunderman of Binghamton by a technical knock out in the third round and in the semi-finals beat Neil Bunnell of Endicot by a knock out in the first round.

Champions were determined in each of the weight classes in the finals. Many of the bouts were refereed by Jimmy Braddock, former world's heavyweight champion. His manager, Joe Gould was also present.

Local champions were: Eddie Wallo in the 160-pound novice class; Edward Williams, Wilkes-Barre, 112-pound novice class; Mickey Suder of Wilkes-Barre, 135-pound novice class. All the boys came home with crowns of roses similar to Eddie's. In addition to their gifts each of the champions received red and blue satin robes with the inscription, "British Gloves Champion 1941" woven on the back. 1,600 fans witnessed the tournament.