

Something To Remember

If you have a boy serving his country in the Army or the Navy, whose life may depend upon the delivery of supplies to the four corners of the earth, read this:

In Portland, Oregon, where conditions are similar to those in hundreds of other American cities, a free-born American citizen answered the call for men to man a new freighter going into the transport service. He had waited around for some days before the ship was ready, and when it came time to sign up was about out of money. He then found that before he could go on board as a seaman he had to pay the labor union about \$15.00. He didn't have the money. Fortunately he found a friend who loaned it to him.

Words are inadequate to express one's opinion of such a condition. Here is a situation where an American citizen can't get a job on an American ship carrying American-made supplies to American armed forces that are fighting to preserve this nation, until he pays tribute to private labor bosses. If the closed shop can tie our country up in this manner, what personal liberty have we to boast about?

In a free country, a man should have the right to join a labor union if he so desires, and he should have the right not to join if he so desires. Certainly no private organization should have the power to deny a man the right to work in a war effort, until that man can first pay it a cash tribute. How long the rank and file of American citizens will put up with such a condition remains to be seen.

PEOPLE ARE SOFTENING—Millions of men and women have decided they would rather beg for what they want than strive for it. We have become hitchhikers thumbing our way through life. Many of us would rather suppress our opinions and enjoy a free ride than fight for our bread or beliefs.—Clayton Rand, Mississippi editor.

If the tin shortage results in prohibiting canned beer, some of our previously most scenic roadsides will gradually lose their resemblance to a city dump.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

By Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks, Jr.

Synchronizing with the blooming of the daffodils, the blossoming of the cherry-tree, and the first tentative whirr of the lawn-mower, comes another unfulfilling sign of the breaking-up of a hard winter. The street-cars are full of little girls in brand-new permanent waves, ears scrubbed within an inch of their lives, high and exalted purpose writ large upon their earnest faces. Each little girl carefully deposits a small suitcase on the floor at her feet, smooths her skirt, and folds her hands with a rapt expression. Each little girl is shepherded by a fond Mamma. Each little girl is attending a rehearsal for the grand wind-up of the dancing-school season. Each little girl is convinced in her secret heart that she will be the star of the evening, and each mother is convinced that if her daughter is not the star, somebody'd better do some tall explaining.

Each prospective Shirley Temple or Deanna Durbin or Judy Garland is groomed for the occasion. Her mother fights with the other mothers for a suitable spot on the program. At dress-rehearsal and on the night of the performance, she hovers anxiously in the wings, waiting for little Iodine to make her bow.

Some of the mothers take life pretty seriously. A misstep, a falter in rhythm, a sour note, and little Iodine will do well to hotfoot it past Mamma on her way offstage. An upset parent is apt to plaster one hand firmly over a protesting mouth to prevent undue outcry, and apply the other hand to a diminutive rear in a series of staccato slaps.

On one occasion I saw five infants get the works backstage, each mother doing her duty by her offspring, each infant meekly submitting to discipline. And all in absolute silence except for the sounds incident to the laying-on of hands. No roars, no howls, nothing at all except a few hiccoughs and a subdued snuffle. The five little girls were supposed to do a cute little routine involving a doll apiece and a cradle, but the spotlight proved too much for their shattered nerves. Arrayed as they were in drop-seat pajamas, it was all too easy for their exasperated mothers to take advantage of them as they toddled off stage. Each mother grabbed her erring daughter and arranged her in a swimming position across her knee in less time than it takes to tell it.

The same evening was made memorable by the performance of two little girls who did a song-and-dance routine apiece. One microscopic blonde stated that She Had Her Love to Keep Her Warm. Swinging a diminutive but talented hip as she swayed back and forth in front of the microphone, she crooned earnestly in the direction of the sky-high mouth-piece, leaping energetically toward it when breath permitted.

The little red-head, the one with the Shirley Temple hair-do, ignored the microphone entirely. Her voice had that penetrating quality which made artificial aid superfluous. It appeared that the Love-Bug was biting this maiden, and that if the audience didn't watch its step the Love-Bug would transfer its attentions. The audience, thus warned, Oh'd and Ah'd over the infant phenomenon.

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Minister Pleased With New Parish

Rev. Prynn To Preach First Sermon Sunday

For a man who's been strictly ministerial ever since the tender age of eleven, Rev. Austin L. Prynn isn't nearly so grave and austere as perhaps a fellow of his antecedents should be. He isn't given to ponderous statements, nor does he clear his throat in an imposing fashion. He seems as anxious to make friends as a visiting Rotarian. As a matter of fact, he is a Rotarian.

Rev. Prynn, in case you're wondering why he appears in these columns, is the new pastor of Dallas Methodist Church. Many of you will meet him tonight at the reception up at the church for him and his wife, or perhaps Sunday morning when he preaches his first sermon here.

For the past five years Rev. Prynn has been pastor of the First Methodist Church of Pittston. His term there has been, on the whole, reasonably pleasant. But the Pittston First Methodist is over-large and somewhat gloomy and looks as if it might have stalactites hanging from its brownstone ceiling, so Rev. Prynn is not exactly distraught at the prospects of changing over to the cheerful and sun-lit atmosphere of Dallas. Besides, most of his years in the ministry have been spent in suburban communities and he expects to feel right at home here.

Rev. Prynn, just old enough to be in this last registration, was born in Jermyn, Lackawanna County, but moved to Scranton at an early age and considers himself more as a native.

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Students Of Dallas Township To Revive May Day Traditions

All the grand old traditions of May Day—a Queen and her court, May-pole dancers, colorful costuming and sprightly, spring-like atmosphere—will be revived next Friday afternoon by the grade and high school students of Dallas Township.

Climax of the May Day Exercises, first to be held at the township school since 1936, will be the crowning of a May Queen—Miss Rhoda Eddinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Eddinger of Demunds road. Miss Eddinger, chosen Queen by popular election last week, will be garbed all in white, and her eight attendants will wear pastel evening gowns. Members of her court will include Laura Rothery, Ann Detrick, Ada Jackson, Ann Borton, Shirley Austin, Estella Elston, May Louise Kitchen and Marilla Martin.

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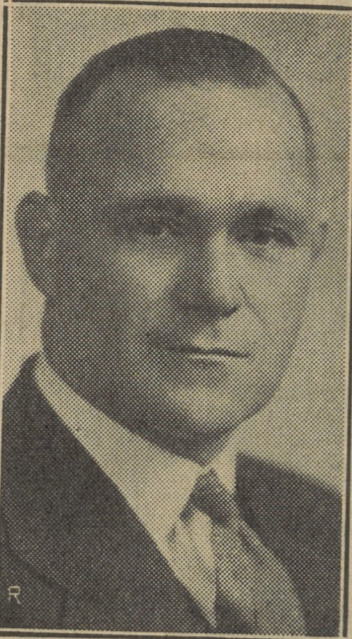
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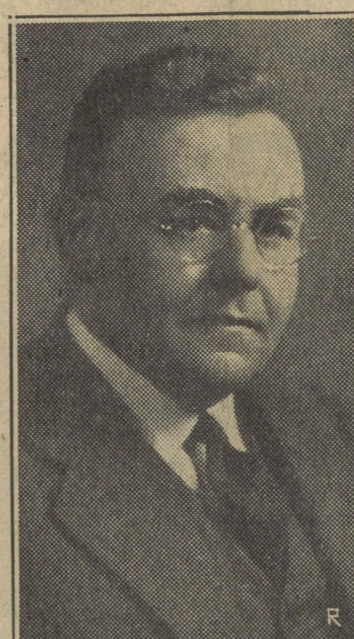
More Sweat, Less Blood And Tears!

Leaves For Firwood



Rev. Francis Freeman

New Dallas Pastor



Rev. Austin L. Prynn

Methodist Clergymen End Long Terms Of Service To This Area

The transfer from this area of two outstanding clergymen—Rev. Francis Freeman, pastor of Dallas Methodist Church, and Rev. Harry M. Savacool of Trucksville Methodist Church—was announced Sunday by Bishop Adna W. Leonard as the annual Wyoming Methodist Conclave at Wilkes-Barre came to an end.

Rev. Freeman will assume the pulpit of Firwood Methodist Church, Carey avenue, Wilkes-Barre, and to Dallas will come Rev. Austin L. Prynn, for several years pastor of the First Methodist Church of Pittston. Rev. Savacool has been assigned to the First Methodist Church at Owego, N. Y., and will be replaced in Trucksville by Rev. Clayton Hoag, pastor of Ogden Methodist Church, Binghamton, N. Y. The transfers are effective immediately. The local ministers will go to their new parishes this Sunday, as the Reverends Prynn and Hoag preach their first sermons here.

Rev. Freeman, pastor of Dallas Methodist for the past nine years, has served this community longer than any other minister in the history of the local church. Both he and Mrs. Freeman have worked tirelessly for the advancement of the parish and have helped to bring about many improvements. During Rev. Freeman's term as pastor, over \$16,000 has gone into the enlargement and redecoration of the church, and the construction of basement chambers for Sunday School classes and social affairs—one of the main achievements of the building program—has served to prevent over-crowding and vastly increase church activities.

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Fourth National Registration Claims 1260 From This Region

Native Of Syria Registers First At Dallas Boro; Father Of Dick Cease Leads Trucksville Men

With many hoping wistfully that the military service age limits will be extended enough to give them a crack at the Japs or Nazis, some 1260 middle-aged and elderly men of this area were enrolled Monday and over last week end in the Selective Service Registration for the 45-65 year age group. Of this total, 798 registered at Dallas Borough and Kingston

Township high schools and were placed under the jurisdiction of County Board No. 1 at Wyoming. 461 were enrolled at Lehman Township High School and registered with Board No. 5 at Shick-shinny.

According to registrars here, the largest proportion of the men who signed up were anxious for active service and bemoaned the fact that the registration was primarily designed as an occupational survey, rather than a prelude for induction into the armed forces. Many have boys now in the Army, and the sons of a few were veterans of the last war. At Kingston township there was talk of organizing a company of home defenders from among the new registrants.

While registration at Kingston Township and Lehman was confined to Monday, Dallas Borough High School was open for two extra periods Saturday and Sunday afternoons. First man to register with Prof. T. A. Williamme here Saturday afternoon was Joseph Mofoot Broody of East Dallas, a native of Syria. Mr. Broody had two sons, both of whom are still living, who served with the U. S. Army in World War I. In that same struggle two of his brothers were killed in action with the Turkish Army and the rest of his family, with the exception of one other brother, were killed by shell-fire at Miten, Syria.

Sanford Keller, a native of Canada, and Walter Brzyski, who was born in Polish Germany, were also among the first to register Saturday. Mr. Brzyski's father served with the German Army in the Franco-Prussian War. Of his experiences he used to say, "I wouldn't ask a dog to serve in the German Army." Prof. Williamme

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WAR MOTHERS ASKED TO APPLY NOW FOR FREE BOX OF CANDY

Though many names have been received in response to the candy-for-war-mothers offer published in The Post last week, we know there are many more who are yet unaccounted for and urge that every soldier's or nurse's mother in this area send in her name and address to our office, together with the name of her son or daughter in the service.

A box of candy will be given free of charge to each war mother of the Dallas region after she has registered her name with The Post. The candy is donated by a Trucksville citizen. Names should be handed in promptly so that a sufficient supply of candy can be ordered.

Drive For Street Signs Gets Off To Flying Start

Residents Of Nine Streets Give 100 Per Cent Support

Residents of nine streets in the borough subscribed 100 per cent this week to the newly organized Street-Signs-For-Dallas Campaign and collections are near completion in several other neighborhoods.

Chairmen of the drive, appointed at random by the editor last Friday, turned to with a will and the first street-sign subscription—that of Elizabeth street—came in less than 12 hours after the names of the committees-of-one had been published, proving that there is still lots of public spirit in Dallas and that most people do, after all, read the editorials of The Post.

Elizabeth (Gold) There was excitement on Elizabeth street early Friday evening when Frank Davis and Mrs. Brooke Arnold canvassed the whole area so that their street could carry off first honors for an early report. They received 100% co-operation and made their final report at 7 o'clock Friday night when Frank Davis laid \$1.80 on the editor's desk. Mrs. Brooke Arnold was solicitor. Those who gave: Jack Pauling,

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Lehman F. F. A. Has Banquet

Fathers Are Guests Of Sons On Thursday

Forty-four members and guests attended the third annual Father and Son Banquet of Future Farmers of America in Lehman High School auditorium last Thursday night. Howard Newcomer, county vocational adviser, principal speaker, discussed "How Education in general meets the National Defense issue of Today."

Dennis Bonning of the Class of 1943 made an excellent toastmaster, keeping the program moving and handling his assignments with the dispatch of a veteran. The dinner

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Harvey's Lake Docks Under-Going Repairs

In preparation for the coming vacation season, owners of docks and boat landings at Harvey's Lake were hard at work this week repairing and renovating their shoreline installations. Because of unusually severe shifting of ice on the lake during the winter, the piling of nearly every dock at the lake was damaged and some were completely destroyed.

John Hanson, restaurant proprietor at the Picnic Grounds, has torn down the old docks in front of the resort and is building a new boat landing next to the bath house and a separate swimming dock. Both Police Chief Ira C. Stevenson and Squire Ralph Davis were installing new piles for their boat landings early this week and Frank Pinola was at work on his, too. Similar activities were noted at boat-houses, docks and landings all around the lake shores.

Teachers Will Register 2500 Back Mountain Families For Rationing

Four-Day Sugar Registration Begins Monday; Schools Will Recess After Morning Sessions

Local schools will run on half-day schedules and over 100 teachers and volunteer clerks will work long hours next week in order to register this region's 2,500 families for sugar rationing. At best it will be a monumental task, and local residents are urged to give their co-operation towards getting the registration accomplished with as little trial and trouble

Clean-Up Project Now In Progress

Rubbish Carted Away Today and Saturday

Dallas borough will undergo its annual spring cleaning today and Saturday, it was announced this week by Councilman Morgan D. Wilcox.

Street foreman Bill Baker and his crew will cover every neighborhood in the borough and collect ashes, rusty tin cans and other rubbish. Any items aside from garbage and materials that could be contributed to the industrial salvage drive will be carted away. Local home-owners are asked to give their full co-operation to the clean-up project so that Dallas can be thoroughly cleared of rubbish heaps and other unsightly accumulations of waste.

The borough truck will cover the following sections today (Friday): Brookline, Main street, Lake street, Church street, Norton avenue, Lehman avenue, Machell avenue and Huntsville road up to and including Franklin and Ridge streets.

The Parrish Heights district will be cared for Saturday.

Observers Dropped

Because of failure to report for their shifts after signing up for air observation work, 52 men have been dropped from the rolls of the observation post at Harvey's Lake.

as possible. Registration will take place at Dallas Borough, Dallas Township and Lehman Township High Schools and the elementary schools of Shavertown and Trucksville Monday through Thursday of next week. At Dallas, Dallas Township and Lehman, school will recess at one o'clock on those days and registration will be held from 2 to 8 P. M. Kingston Township schools will recess at 11:30 and registration at the township grade schools will be conducted between the hours of 1 and 8 P. M.

All families are to be registered in their own school districts. One and only one member of each family unit is to appear and will register and receive ration books for himself and all the other members of his family. The following information will be required from each applicant:

1. The exact name and an exact description of each member of the family unit, giving the height, weight, color of eyes, color of hair, age and sex of each one.

2. The person who registers for the family unit must state his or her exact relationship to each member of it.

3. It is necessary to know to the pound just how much sugar is in the possession of each household. The amount of sugar will be divided by the number of people in the family and stamps will be torn out by the registrar for all sugar in excess of two pounds per person. If more than four stamps have to be removed, issuance of the book will be withheld until later.

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Lundy Buys Sullivan Building, Plans Industrial Development

Main Street Business Block Will House Three New Stores; Cost Is Below \$10,000

Herbert Lundy, Dallas Township Tax Collector and partner in the Lundy Electric Company of Wilkes-Barre, purchased the Main street building owned by John L. Sullivan this week for an amount reported to be less than \$10,000. The two-story stucco and concrete building, occupying one of the most desirable business locations in Dallas, will be completely

Students Battle Fernbrook Blaze

Three Houses Saved From Burning Brush

A roaring brush fire which endangered three homes in Fernbrook for several hours Monday was finally extinguished by the Dallas and Shavertown fire companies and a number of school children.

The blaze broke out on Fern street shortly after noon and flames were licking at the walls of the William Vivian residence and two neighboring houses when the local firemen reached the scene. Sprayed with water and chemicals, the fire was finally brought under control by 3 o'clock, but continued to burn for several hours thereafter.

The fire was first discovered by several students of Dallas Township, out of school for the day due to the Selective Service Registration, and by beating the burning brush they attempted to hold it in check until the firemen arrived. The young fire-fighters were Mary Doris and Bob Kemmerer, Marie and Charles Colen, Margaret Roberts, David Barto, Willard and Ernest Reese, Frank Cunius, Thomas Stritzinger and William Penterocross.

Spaniel Puppies

Merrill Thomas, who has been raising Cocker Spaniel puppies for the past year and a half, has a litter of six of the prettiest six-weeks old puppies that have been seen hereabouts. In addition Merrill has seven older female spaniels. Their strain is that of "My Own Brucie" famous Spaniel champion.

renovated by Mr. Lundy to house three modern stores, a tavern and three second floor apartments of four, five and six rooms each.

The corner property has a main street frontage of 65 feet and extends in rectangular shape along Rice street 102 feet and 108 feet along the line of property owned by A. C. Devens, Dallas miller.

Present tenants are Grace Cave who operates a Lady's Shop, Paul Suska, shoemaker; Peter Oberst, barber, and Mrs. John Hayden who operates Hayden's Cafe. The apartments and one large store room formerly leased by the A. & P. Stores Company, are unoccupied.

Mr. Lundy has an option on the Cafe but is undecided whether he will exercise his option. The section of the building which formerly housed the old Meridian Restaurant and Night Club, is equipped with large hardwood dance floor and is two stories high with surrounding balconies and booths. Two of the most beautiful natural stone and anthracite fireplaces constructed by William Wilson are in this part of the building.

In discussing his future plans for the property Mr. Lundy expressed some uncertainty due to priorities on building materials. He declared, however, that he expects eventually to devote most of his time to the supervision of the building and operating a business there, and that he will renovate heating and plumbing and prepare apartments and storerooms for immediate occupancy.

For the past few years the building has fallen upon hard days through removal of tenants and was to have been sold at Sheriff's sale within a few days in the suit of a Wilkes-Barre Loan organization (Continued on Page 8.)