

Spare The Rod And Spoil The Fun

At a time when every effort is being made to conserve food stuffs, scrap and labor, it is inexcusable that a few high-spirited and destructive older school boys in this community should be permitted wilfully to destroy property and make general nuisances of themselves.

This community has been pretty good to its boys and girls. It has given them good schools, it has given them band equipment, it has provided them with Hallowe'en parties, and it has co-operated with them in their scrap drives.

Now a few of their number bring discredit on the whole group . . . and this fault lies not with the schools but with parents who condone them and who pass their actions off lightly as the natural outlet for youthful exuberance.

One of the best friends the boys and girls have in Dallas is Ralph Rood. Tuesday night some of the older "smart alecks" overturned two of his beehives. The same night a couple of young sneaks smashed out windowlights. Not long ago a few bright boys hurled rotten tomatoes at women attending a Junior choir rehearsal. Valuable porch and lawn furniture has been carried off and persons who have labored long and hard during the summer to do their part with victory gardens have seen the fruits of their labor strewn over village streets. Twenty windows in a private garage have been shattered and not long ago a youthful mob ransacked a vacant house on the Heights. One look at the Payne property on Lake street will convince anybody of what happens to a property that remains idle for long in Dallas. Sunday night a trio of brigands cut down a new pulley clothes line, destroyed guard posts and deliberately twisted and bent a newly planted shade tree at the home of Mrs. Albert Parrish.

There is not a thing clever about such destruction. No one is even slightly amused. The rattle of shattered glass, the snap of a breaking shade tree, the thud of cabbages hurled against a front porch or the busy hum of an overturned hive of bees is not music to the person who foots the bills.

This community expects fun and pranks on Hallowe'en but it doesn't expect destruction or even pranks a week ahead of Hallowe'en . . . a day before or a day after, or every week during the year. Pranks it expects but not destruction . . . and if boys who abuse property rights run into jams they can expect no sympathy from the community nor from their best friends.

While their older brothers, cousins and many of their classmates are fighting to save this country—to protect the right of every boy and girl to guide his own destiny—to have fun when it does not molest the rights of others—these young destroyers cannot expect this community to be tolerant of their wanton playfulness . . . a playfulness that is costly to country, community and individual alike. If youngsters must show-off by abusing the privileges of youth, then we of an older generation reserve the right to give their misdeeds the widest publicity despite the pleadings of parents or the offenders themselves. If their lust for destruction cannot be curbed by local police authority or parental discipline, then there are ways—costly ones—by which they can be taught the value of the other fellow's property.

Any man is a wonder who can sit between two women through a long dinner and not make one of them angry.

Those Missing Fire Hydrants

About one half of Dallas Borough is now well protected with fire hydrants giving Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company at least an even chance to save most properties. But Parrish Heights is still unprotected and will remain unprotected if Dallas-Shavertown Water Company has anything to say about it.

In spite of repeated efforts on the part of the fire company to bring the installation of hydrants on the Heights to a head, the water company has delayed giving any answer until now, with winter just around the corner, it turns the proposition down with the excuse that the system "wasn't built to handle fire protection."

If this system wasn't built to handle fire protection, the other plugs that have been cut into its lines are certainly doing a swell job. We think there would be little complaint among Heights residents if they should have to go without water for household purposes for even a day or two if the use of water for fire-fighting purposes ever makes it necessary . . . they have gone without water many times in the past for less worthy reasons.

It is plain to be seen that the only way this community is going to get the complete fire protection that it needs is by fighting for it, and in this fight residents of the Heights will have to take the lead. This is not the first time the water company has told us that it couldn't furnish what we want. The time to act is now—not after the next fire.

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PILLAR TO POST

By Mrs. T. M. B. HICKS, JR.

That manure-pile under Howard's barn, the one that Donnie crawled over enroute to the hidden cache of scrap metal, would be very welcome on our own personal humus pile. For several years we have methodically collected leaves and grass-clippings, packing them closely in a secluded spot in the back yard and sprinkling them with an occasional bottle of ammonia to hasten decomposition.

But we lack the necessary livestock, and we are beginning to suspect that our front yard, with its substrata of furnace ashes and tin cans will never blossom like the rose until we can make connections with a barnyard. We have even considered instituting that classic gift of a load of well-rotted manure, come Christmas, but so far have not been able to bring ourselves to exchanging gifts so lacking in romance.

We are sneaking up on it, however, and the war is hastening the process. With the government asking us to cut out useless frills and limit ourselves to the bare necessities, perhaps our humus pile will be gladdened by the addition of the real McCoy along toward the end of December.

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Not everybody with a dollar to spare can shoot a gun straight—but everybody can shoot straight to the bank and buy War Bonds. Buy your 10% every pay day.

Lo, The Peaceful Tank



Pictured above is the Community Chest's peaceful tank that will never fire a gun but that captured the ramparts of indifference and stormed the citadels of selfishness Wednesday when it visited Back Mountain schools. At Dallas Borough, Lehman and Dallas Township schools, students capitulated willingly and enthusiastically. Bands welcomed the approach of the tank in the Borough and Township and at Lehman students pledged the \$59.07 they had received from the sale of scrap to the War Chest.

Back Mountain Hunters Await Opening Of Small Game Season

Five Saturdays Are Included In Season Which Opens On October 31

Brown stubble fields, dry, rustling rows of fodder rustling in the autumnal air, crisp, clear days and frosty nights—this is the time for the approach of the hunting season in Pennsylvania. This year the small game season opens earlier than has been the usual custom—it gets under way October 31 and closes November 28, having been advanced from

November 1 in order to give gunners an extra Saturday to be afield with gun and dog after ruffed grouse, rabbits, wild turkeys, ring-neck pheasants, squirrels, quail and other small game. As a matter of fact the small game hunter this season will have five Saturdays to hunt if he cannot get away any other days in the week.

Dallas Crossing Yields Old Rails

Lehigh Will Salvage 100 Tons On Branch

Lehigh Valley Railroad track crews, their forces expanded by several local men, were busy this week along the Bowman's Creek removing extra rails from all crossings so that the steel could be added to the nation's dwindling reserve of metal for the war effort.

Rails were removed from the Lake street crossing in Dallas early in the week and others will be removed from crossings at Alderson, Hay's Corners, Lehman, Fernbrook, Shavertown and other points along the line.

The old rails were placed in the crossings during peace time to (Continued on Page 8.)

Ted Wilson Receives Painful Nose Injuries

Ted Wilson received painful injuries to his face and nose Friday morning while he was cranking the engine that drives his saw mill. The engine backfired throwing the heavy iron crank in his face with such force that his nose was crushed so that the bones pierced the flesh. Fellow workers picked him up while he was still unconscious and brought him to Dr. J. C. Fleming's office for treatment. Later the crank was found imbedded in three inches of earth and Mr. Wilson's hat was picked up about eight feet from the place where he was struck. Mrs. Wilson had just left by bus for New York when the accident occurred and neighbors at first thought that they would have to call her back.

Twenty-Three Local Students Now Attend Wyoming Seminary

Twenty-three students from the Dallas area are attending Wyoming Seminary this year. Many are taking part in extra curricular activities and some are making outstanding records in scholarship. One, John K. Davies, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davies of Parsonage street, is editor of "The Opinator", student literary magazine. Ernestine Banker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Banker of Hay's Corners, is also a member of "The Opinator" staff and has contributed many of its leading articles.

Among those enrolled are: Trucksville—George T. Budd, Donald Cope, Albert G. Groblewski, F.

Prentice Lacy, Frank G. Mathers, 3rd, Robert N. Smith, Janice Lacy, Claire J. Malkemes and Norma Smith; Shavertown—John H. Griffith, 2nd, and Russell Houser, Jr.; Dallas—Peter D. Clark, Jr., John K. Davies, Raymond Goeringer, John V. Gregson, William R. Hoag, Donald Innes, Henry L. Lee, Richard G. Phillips, David H. Scherer, Dorothy Ann Weaver and Ernestine Banker.

Most of these students are enrolled in the college preparatory course for which Wyoming Seminary is famed throughout the county.

Back-To-School Night

About 50 members of the Lehman Methodist Church attended the party last Wednesday evening held by Mrs. Simms department of W.S.C.S. The party, which took the form of a "Back-to-School Night", was lots of fun for oldsters who had to brush up on their readin', writin' and 'rithmetic.

Schools Obtain \$240 From Sale Of Scrap Pile

Citizens Resent Sale Of Firemen's Scrap For Private Purposes

The last of 35 tons of scrap gathered by Dallas Borough Schools during the Scrap for Victory Campaign was hauled away Wednesday by old metal buyers. Immediately thereafter a corps of students set to work gathering nails, rubbish and other debris that might make the school grounds unsuitable for parking purposes and by the end of the week that part of the yard that has been a beehive of activity for the past two weeks will have regained its usual composure.

The schools received just a few cents short of \$240—\$239.24 to be exact—from the sale of the scrap.

Firemen Sell Scrap

On Wednesday scrap metal men also began removing the big collection on Main street that had been brought in by Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company. Earlier in the week some who had donated to the big pile, complained that certain articles—lawn mowers, horseshoes and other knick-knacs had been sold to local residents for further use. One man who noted his discarded lawn mower being rolled away said: "I gave that mower to be made into war material to help my sons who are in the army and I want it returned right where it was."

A woman who has a son in the air corps also objected to the use as curios of some of the scrap she had donated. "It's plain to be seen that the man who got such a kick out of those old horseshoes, hasn't got a son in the army" is the way she put it.

How this material that had been donated to the scrap pile got into private channels is still a matter that many persons are attempting to clear up.

Wardens Want Better Alarms

Local Officials Will Be Asked To Buy Them

In an effort to prevail upon township supervisors and school directors to have additional air raid alarms installed in Dallas Township, sixty air raid wardens met Monday night in Primitive Methodist Church, Fernbrook, and formed a permanent organization.

Russell Case was elected president, with Clyde Hope as vice-president and Sheldon Fahringer as treasurer. Wardens Moore, Hartman and Major were named on a committee to contact the supervisors and school directors and outline plans which they think will give Dallas Township an adequate warning system.

Jackson Township supervisors have already taken steps to secure two new sirens and the Dallas Township wardens are convinced that similar sirens should be installed in a number of locations in their township.

Gala Hallowe'en Parade and Party Will Attract Hundreds of Revelers

Costume Parade Will Be Climaxed With Block Party On Main Street

There will be no rationing of fun and merriment on Saturday night, October 31, when boys and girls from every Back Mountain school invade Dallas to take part in the Second Annual Hallowe'en Parade and Block Party. The Block Party is a new feature this year and will take the place of the festivities which concluded the program last year in Dallas Borough High School Auditorium.

Firemen's Job Is Hampered By Lack Of Water

Reynolds Fire Proves Immediate Need For Hydrant On Heights

Handicapped at the start by lack of fire hydrants on Parrish Heights, Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company won a plucky two-hour fight against a stubborn attic fire Monday afternoon and saved the two-story stucco cottage owned by Miss Edith Reynolds of Bear Creek and occupied by Miss Grace Clift and her two nurses.

The fire apparently started under the eaves from an overheated chimney, according to Chief Leslie Warhola, and smoldered there for some time before one of the nurses smelled smoke and notified the fire company. Flames were lapping through the roof when firemen arrived. Lines of hose supplied from the booster tank and chemicals were used to check the fire blazing through the attic but not before dense smoke and heat forced firemen to use smoke masks.

A second floor bedroom suffered some damage where the fire broke through the ceiling and side of the house but the greater part of the damage resulted in the attic where timbers were charred by the intense heat. There was little or no damage from water as firemen carefully removed rugs and many valuable antiques including six Hitchcock chairs to places of safety.

A bucket brigade kept the booster tank filled with water from a nearby deep well power pump.

The Reynolds cottage sits some distance from Huntsville Road in an isolated pine thicket adjoining the W. F. Newberry property. It was occupied for a number of summers by Miss Reynolds and her mother and more recently has been leased to Miss Clift, daughter of the late C. E. Clift, Woolworth executive, and Mrs. Clift.

In spite of its isolated position firemen could have easily reached the house with lines of hose from the proposed location for a fire hydrant on the Heights. Only recently efforts to have a hydrant located in that region were turned down by Dallas-Shavertown Water Company. Had there been water, damage would probably have amounted to considerably less than the \$1,000 which Miss Reynolds will now have to spend to put her property back in shape.

Republican Women

Republican women of the Back Mountain area are urged to attend the meeting of Republican women at Hotel Sterling Saturday, October 31. There will be an interesting program of Republican speakers.

Fifty-Five Frozen Hudson Cars Are Put In Permanent Storage

Fifty-five new Hudson automobiles, owned by James R. Oliver and frozen by Government order, were placed in permanent storage this week. Nine of the machines are stored in the Odd Fellows Garage, eighteen in Mr. Oliver's warehouse and twenty-eight in a warehouse in Kingston.

Under Government regulations and the eye of a Federal inspector the cars were given a complicated 14-point checking before they were jacked up. Here are just a few of the operations. Cars washed and paint cleaned, windshield wiper blades removed, upholstery and floor covering cleaned and moth-proofed, all chrome plated parts waxed and oiled, tires deflated,

spark plugs removed, oil drained from engines and engines rust-proofed, engines sealed, exhaust sealed, battery removed, cooling system rust proofed, brakes checked, hood and door latches lubricated, all doors and windows closed, cowl vent left open if screened.

Commenting on the steps taken to insure the proper care of the machines during what may be a long storage period, James R. Oliver said, "It would be a good idea for every motorist who plans to store his car for the duration to give his automobile the same detailed attention. If he follows the plan carefully his car will be in just as good condition when he takes it down off the jacks as it is when he puts it in storage."

Special Police

Unless unfavorable weather intervenes this year's parade and party will attract the greatest crowd ever assembled in Dallas Borough, Chief of Police Walter Covert and his committee will have extra officers on hand to handle the crowds, cut off traffic, and promote the safety of the revelers.

Plans for the parade have not been entirely completed by the marshals, James Besecker and Harry Ohlman, but marchers are expected to assemble on Lake street at Warden Cemetery at 6:45. The three divisions will form along Center Hill road each headed by a high school band. Dallas Borough, Dallas Township and Lehman Bands (Continued on Page 8)

Abbott Leads Draft Group

14 Local Men Leave From Local Board 5

Fourteen of twenty-eight young men inducted into the army on Monday by Local Board No. 5 of ShicksShiny were from the Back Mountain country.

Leader of the group was Freeland Knight Abbott, son of Rev. and Mrs. Frank K. Abbott of Lehman. A graduate of Wyoming Seminary he has spent the past four years in Boston where he graduated cum laude this spring from Tufts College and won a fellowship from the Fletcher School of diplomacy and international law conducted jointly by Tufts and Harvard University.

Others in the contingent were: Harold Long Freeman, Sweet Valley; Doyle Sorber, Hunlock's Creek R.F.D.; Jacob A. Maciejczyk, Hunlock's Creek R.F.D.; Leo Yascur, Trucksville R.F.D.; George Halowich, Alderson R.F.D.; Royal J. Culp, Dallas R.F.D. 2; Albert Vernon Garringer, Dallas R.F.D.; Leonard Charles Stortz, Trucksville R.F.D.; George Calab Bray, Alderson R.F.D.; Steven Samuel Prehartin, Alderson; Clifford Harry Davis, Dallas R.F.D.; James Milton Cease, Trucksville R.F.D., and Walbridge E. Lienthall, Alderson.