

Three Prize Cows, Bitten By Dog, Die Of Rabies At Hillside Farm

Borough Council Asks State To Dispose Of All Unlicensed And Unleashed Dogs

Concerned over the prevalence of rabies among dogs in this area, John Corliss, president of Back Mountain Kennel Club, asked Dallas Borough Council at its meeting on Tuesday night to take steps to do something about unlicensed and unleashed dogs in Dallas Borough.

Mr. Corliss said that the danger from rabies in the Back Mountain Region and in Wyoming Valley is real rather than just a scare. "During the past two months", he said, "three cows have died at Hillside Farm of the disease. These animals are believed to have been bitten during December by a stray dog that has not yet been found. The three cows were registered Holsteins and valued at more than \$1,000."

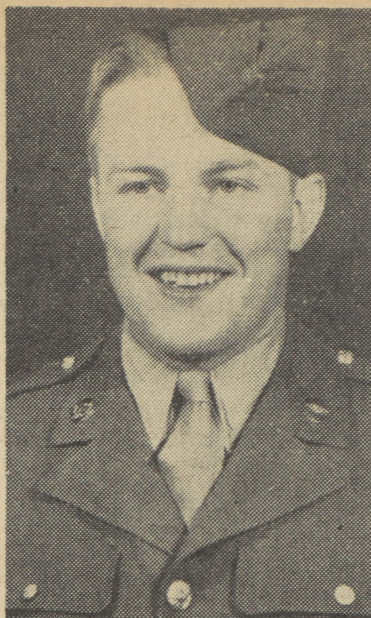
According to Franklin Heminway, manager of the farm, one of the animals died on December 26 another on January 3rd, and a third on January 21. Dr. Edward Kutish, veterinarian, treated the first two animals but could not diagnose the disease. When a third cow became ill, Mr. Heminway wired

the Bureau of Animal Industry in Harrisburg, and Dr. Farr, State Veterinarian, after an examination of the head, pronounced the disease as "positive rabies."

Mr. Heminway and Harold Roan have received preventative inoculations against the disease. Mr. Heminway said the first two cows apparently had the disease in a mild but fatal form. Both went off their feed, refused to eat or drink, and became paralyzed. The third cow was more violent and showed all of the other symptoms.

After hearing Mr. Corliss who was accompanied by Thomas Robinson, also of the Kennel Club, Council instructed its secretary James Besecker to ask Fred Kierle, State Law enforcement agent of the Bureau of Animal Husbandry to come here and conduct a campaign against unlicensed dogs. Council will also instruct its police officers to impound any dogs, licensed or unlicensed found ranging the streets, and owners will be required to pay a \$1 a day board until their

Kunkles Have 3 Sons In U. S. Armed Forces



Pvt. Sherman W. Kunkle

One of three brothers in military service, Pfc. Karl Kunkle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kunkle of Kunkle, has been missing in action since December 5. He was with General Patton's Third Army along the German frontier.

Karl entered service on June 26, 1944 and trained with an AAA outfit at Fort Eustis, Va., and Camp Stewart, Georgia, before being transferred to the infantry at Camp Van Dorn, Miss. He left for overseas in August 1944. He was a member of the class of 1944 at Dallas Township High School and played on the football squad. Before entering service he peddled



Missing In Action Germany
KARL M. KUNKLE
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ilk on the Lake route during the summers for Shady Side Dairy.

Pfc. John Kunkle, who entered the army on December, 22, 1942, is serving in the artillery with the Ninth Army somewhere in Belgium. He landed in France shortly after D-Day and has seen action in France, Belgium and Germany. At the time of his enlistment he work-



PFC John Kunkle

ed for the Central Penn Construction Company in New York State but prior to that time he had been employed by Zel Garinger for about ten years.

Pvt. Sherman W. Kunkle, a gunner in the tank corps, received his training at Fort Knox, Ky., and is now stationed at Fort Ord, California. A graduate of Kingston Township High School, he was an employee of Bronson's store, Sweet Valley before entering the armed forces. His wife is the former Betty Case of Trucksville. From the time he was 2 years old, Sherman made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Warden of Shavertown.

Appeals To Back Mountain Women To Help Wounded At Valley Forge

An urgent appeal to women of the Back Mountain Region to enlist for duty at Valley Forge General Hospital in Phoenixville is made by Captain Eugene A. Watson, Commanding Officer, Wilkes-Barre Sub-District of the Philadelphia WAC Recruiting District.

The Captain declared women between the ages of 20 to 49, inclusive, should volunteer for the new Medical Technician Program of the United States Army which provides for assignment to Valley Forge as well as other General Hospitals which are receiving 30,000 battle casualties a month.

"Women who meet the requirements for enlistment will be given six weeks of basic training before being sent to a recognized Army Medical Technician School and, after an additional six weeks of technical training," Captain Watson explained, "these women will be assigned as WAC medical technicians at Valley Forge, Beaumont and Finney General Hospitals, according to their preference. The latter two hospitals are located at El Paso, Texas and Thomasville, Georgia, respectively."

In announcing the details of the

recruiting program, the Captain pointed out that it is imperative that overworked doctors and nurses receive help at once from the ranks of intelligent, healthy and earnest women, who by the performance of general hospital duties will enable wounded soldiers to receive the full measure of skilled medical care due them.

"Women from this area who heed this critical call may form groups in their own community or from among their circle of friends, in order that they may enlist together for initial service at Valley Forge and work with one another in the common effort of healing our fighting men."

The Captain indicated that previous hospital training is not necessary for eligibility; the minimum requirements asking simply that applicants possess two years high school or the equivalent, and the earnest desire to render patriotic service as a Wac medical technician.

Applications for enlistment and complete details about the program are distributed at WAC Recruiting Stations in the Post Office at Wilkes-Barre.

Crusade Plans Laid By Church

Dallas Charge Has Goal Of \$1,900

Official Board and members of Dallas Methodist Church met this week to make plans for the Crusade for Christ during which time Dallas and East Dallas Churches will raise \$1,900 for Post War work of the Methodist Churches of America.

Members of the committee Dallas Church are: Mrs. Stanley Davies, chairman; Peter D. Clark, co-chairman; Mrs. William Baker, secretary and Z. E. Garinger, treasurer.

Pledge cards will be mailed to all members of the church and friends. The cards are returnable before February 18, and those who make pledges will have one year to pay.

Mrs. Davies said: the aim of the Crusade does not interfere with the regular program of the church in domestic or foreign fields. The Crusade stresses evangelism, increased membership, stewardship and aid in the rehabilitation of men returned from war.

Board Delays Decision On Teen-House

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lution to seek the advice of its solicitor on the legality of turning the building over to the committee, and also to inquire into insurance liability. The solicitor will then refer the matter "back to the Board for whatever future action it may wish to make."

Although the action of the Board in delaying its reply was discouraging to the committee which has plans well under way for the establishment of a youth center, it decided to report its progress to a meeting of Kingston Township parents and students which is scheduled for this Sunday at 3 o'clock in Shavertown Hose House.

The committee is composed of Robert Currie, chairman, representing the Council of Defense, S. B. G. Arber, Luther Powell, Rev. Felix Zaffiro, Granville Sowden, Jr., Thomas Phipps, Nancy Nichol, Mary Lou Boyes, Naomi Hons and Mildred Porter.

At the meeting last Sunday, Harry Hirsch, State Director of the youth program of the Office of Civilian Defense outlined the steps necessary to set up a youth center and to obtain financial aid in the form of equipment from the State.

Returns From Italy



Cpl. Cragg E. Wetzel

Cpl. Cragg E. Wetzel, son of Wilbur and Corva Hunsinger Wetzel of Harvey's Lake, has returned to this country after many months overseas as a member of a fighter squadron with the 15th Air Force.

Cpl. Wetzel joined the air corps in Wilkes-Barre on December 14, 1941. He received his training at Keesler Field, Miss.; March Field, North Island, and Long Beach, California. He sailed from Camp Kilmer, N. J. on the Queen Mary for Glasgow, Scotland, and was stationed for a time in England and Ireland before taking part in the invasion and action in Italy. He returned to this country from Naples on December 26 and landed in Boston. He has been staying for sometime with his uncle Hiram Hunsinger of Pottsville and will leave shortly for a rest camp at Miami, Florida.

Beside the Air Medal and two oak leaf clusters of which he is very proud, Cpl. Wetzel has an interesting collection of French, Arabian, Egyptian and Irish money as well as old Roman coins. He has also collected a number of German military medals and mementos of conflict.

A brother Sgt. Willard Wetzel, who completed twenty-five bombing missions over Germany, is now stationed in Texas.

Truckville Meeting

Several buildings have also been suggested for a Teen-Age House for boys and girls of Truckville. Parents and representatives of other community organizations will meet in Truckville Hose House at 3 o'clock on Sunday to discuss the matter. All citizens of Truckville are invited to attend.

Squirrels And Rabbits Keep Alive!

By Max Dreher

As we sit in our living rooms every evening, enjoying all the modern comforts and luxuries of life, especially the abundant supply of food and warmth, we often forget about the poor animals that live in the neighboring woods. How they manage to keep alive is not an impossible feat, but it is a matter of the strong surviving and the weak perishing. The strong are able to find food, but the weak are not.

Yes, we feed the birds, for they are around us all the time; we see so much of them that they naturally arouse our sympathy. But with rabbits and squirrels it is different; they are afraid of humans and stay hidden as much as possible.

"Where do these animals find food? Well, when the snow is as deep as it is now, the bark of young trees is the main food for rabbits, especially birch, poplar, and maple. They also find food in apple orchards. Although apples are under two or three feet of snow and are frozen solid the rabbits will come out of their holes in the evening, dig them out, and eat them.

Of course, the squirrels will be content to go around to all of their hiding places, hollow trees, big nests, and holes dug in the ground, to see how many nuts they can find. As a whole, squirrels are not hit as hard as the rabbits, because they store a considerable amount of nuts and acorns in the fall. They are excellent climbers and also make raids on feeding stations put out for birds. For example, Mrs. Mae E. Townsend, of Pioneer avenue, puts out great quantities of bird food every year. All six of Mrs. Townsend's feeding stations are located in trees and frequently the squirrels rob the birds of all their food.

The Pennsylvania Game Commission is also doing a fine job feeding wild animals and birds wherever and whenever it possible.

They are particularly trying to get aid to the deer, because this deep snow is hindering their fast gain so much that dogs, running on top of the snow, can catch up with them and chew and tear them to shreds. Often times they mangle the legs of the deer, while it is struggling helplessly, unable to move and defend itself. The food put in the woods by Commission Officials and volunteers who are fond of wildlife is of great help.

The food supply for skunks, beavers, muskrats, and coon has never been too great a problem. Both beavers and muskrats store vast quantities of food in their immediate surroundings. During the winter, this food serves in satisfying their appetites and also as shelter.

But, you know, when you come right down to it, about the smartest little animal in the woods, fields, and pastures is the wise old woodchuck; he sleeps all winter.

VERNON

Cecil Treible was the guest of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Besteder, the past week.

Mrs. Ruby Tiejn of Kingston, formerly of Vernon, is a patient in the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Brown. Her young son is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Brown. School has been closed several days due to the deep snow.

Mrs. Herbert Rogers entertained Wednesday night, Mrs. John Wyda, Miss Pauline Wdya, Mrs. Joseph Faux, Mrs. Clyde Eggleston and Mrs. Alva Eggleston.

The local Boy Scouts spent Wednesday evening in Meshoppen at a district rally.

S/Sgt. Raymond Kuderka, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kuderka, has been reported missing in action in Belgium.

Vernon Ladies' Aid has been filling scrapbooks for the USO Scrapbook Service.

Mrs. Joseph Faux and children spent Saturday in Wilkes-Barre.

John Hopple Badly Wounded

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ceived his basic training at Camp Blanding, Florida, and was sent overseas in November as a member of an infantry replacement pool.

Johnny was a conscientious, hard worker, and was always one of the first to arrive at the Space farm mornings to see that the cattle and other livestock were given the proper care. The whole community is pulling for his speedy recovery.

Feed Comes From Omaha

Rail shipments from Buffalo and the Great Lakes area have seriously retarded shipment of grain and feed to local mills and farmers, but many cars of feed have been shipped here from Omaha and other points south of the snow belt.



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