

## Private Flying Increases, Death Rate Declines

Although private flying in this State increased more than 100 per cent in 1947, the number of deaths from airplane accidents was proportionately 26 per cent less than in 1946.

This is shown in the Pennsylvania Aeronautics Commission's "Annual Report of Aeronautical Violations and Accidents for 1947."

Last year, 240 aircraft accidents were investigated, 99 of which resulted in 57 deaths, 44 serious injuries, and 46 minor injuries. Thirty-six aircraft accidents were fatal accidents.

There were 48 aircraft accidents directly attributable to low and reckless flying, resulting in 22 deaths, 13 serious injuries, and 16 minor injuries. Fifteen low and reckless accidents were fatal.

Fatal aircraft accidents were reduced 17.7% over 1946, the total death rate from aircraft accidents was reduced 25.55%, and deaths from low and reckless flying were reduced 8.61%, in spite of the fact that based on issuance of airman certificates within the state, flying activities increased more than 100 per cent.

Altogether, 189 violations were committed by 148 violators, 96 of whom pleaded guilty as charged, nine were adjudged guilty, four were adjudged not guilty, 33 were given warnings, and six who resided outside the state, were referred to C.A.A. for action. One summary conviction was appealed to Court where the Court sustained the conviction. Twenty-nine violators were recommended to the C.A.A. for suspension or revocation of airman certificate.

### D. of A. Meeting

Mount Vale Council, 224, D. of A. will meet in the I.O.O.F. Hall this evening, Friday, at 7:30.

Officers are asked to wear white. Donations for the Sunshine Fund should be turned in. Drill team practice will follow the meeting.

## Rebecca Dinner Has Excellent Attendance

More than fifty women attended the first anniversary dinner of Lady Toby Rebecca Lodge No. 514 Wednesday evening at Trucksville Fire House.

Mrs. William J. Robbins, Jr., noble grand, was toastmistress. Speakers were Helen Keller of Lady Washington Lodge and district deputy, and Nora Hutchins, also of Lady Washington Lodge and a part marshal.

Entertainment was by Mrs. Matilda Crum and Joan Katulka of Lady Toby Lodge.

The dinner was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of Trucksville Fire Company under the direction of Mrs. Dorman Schooley.

The party table was attractive with centerpiece of pink sweet peas. Corsages of sweet peas were presented to the speakers and officers.

Present were: Nita Bidwell, Matilda Crum, Isabelle Cleasby, Dorothy Culver, Alice Davis, Ruth Dinsmore, Gertrude Eckert, Anna Folk, Betty Farr, Peg Goodwin, Bernice Hill, Alice Hand, Eunice Humphrey, Evelyn Hughes, Ethel Johnson, Midge Johnson, Belle Jones, Marian Kasalis, Joan Katulka, Alberta Lohman, Ella Long, Edith McElwee, Minerva Owens, Estella Pascoe, Mary Alice Prynna, Ruth Pritchard, Myrtle Rineman, Harriet Rogers, Hazel Roushey, Peg Robbins, Lottie Robbins, Ellen Sutton, Jennie Shaver, Mary Shaver, Mary Still, Bertha Sutliff, Arline Siglin, Ruth Skelding, Erma Shoemaker, Evelyn Shales, Pearl Walton, Helen Kebler, Nora Hutchins, Helen Hemenway.

## Pastor Will Deliver Second Lenten Sermon

Rev. Frederick Reinfurt will deliver the second in a series of Lenten sermons on the Apostle's Creed at the morning worship at Dallas Methodist Church on Sunday. Each sermon is delivered on a phase of the Creed.

Last Sunday his topic was "I Believe in—I Believe." This Sunday it will be, "I Believe—in God" and will be followed in order on March 7, with "I Believe—in the Holy Catholic Church"; March 14, "I Believe—in the Forgiveness of Sins"; March 21, "I Believe—in Jesus Christ" and on Easter Sunday, "I Believe in—the Life Everlasting."

## Dallas Church Notes

Those who wish to join Dallas Methodist Church or partake in the Sacrament of Baptism are asked by Rev. Frederick Reinfurt, pastor, to contact him. The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered on Palm Sunday and new members will be admitted into church membership.

Boys and girls between the ages of ten and twelve who wish to unite with the church will be instructed in the meaning of church membership during the Junior Church Hour meeting at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. Those thirteen years of age or older will be instructed Sunday evening at 6 o'clock in a church membership class conducted by the pastor.

## Brace Bible Class To Entertain Scouts

Members of the Brace Bible Class will entertain Dallas Boy Scouts and prospective scouts at a special program to be given in the Social Rooms of Dallas Methodist Church Monday, March 1. Chairman of the affair is Zel Garinger, assisted by Richard Owen and Dan Richards.

Niles White was chosen president and Herbert Marley vice president at a recent meeting of the class. Other officers were Laurence Peirce, secretary and Sandel Hunt, treasurer.

Committees were: relief, Tom Kingston and Richard Owens; publicity, Dan Robinhold; membership, Dan Richards, Sev Newberry, David Jenkins, Wardan Kunkle, Henry Peterson.

## Thomas Ayres, Guests At Farewell Party

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ayres were guests of honor at a Farewell party held Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shortz of Trucksville. The Ayres will move to Gettysburg on March 1st.

Games were played and refreshments served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Finney, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stookey, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ide, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ayre and Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shortz.

## Quilting Party

Mrs. Lewis Nulton entertained last week at a quilting party Mrs. Perry Robbins, Mrs. James Gallagher, Kingston, Mrs. Bert Stitzer, Shavertown; Mrs. Katie Wilson, Fernbrook, and Mrs. John Getz, Kunkle.

# Tables Give Comparisons of School Finances and Enrollment

## School Merger Proposals To Be Discussed

### All Citizens Urged To Attend Meeting Thursday Evening

Every person residing in this area or owning property here should be interested in the meeting to be held in Dallas Township School, March 4th.

An act of the 1947 session of the legislature requires that County School Boards shall submit to the State Department of Public Instruction before July 1, this year, a complete plan for reorganization of the schools, in accordance with certain standards laid down by the State Council of Education.

The plans as submitted will not be compulsory on the school districts as presented. If approved by the State Council of Education they are then to be presented to the electors for approval before being put in effect.

The matter of consolidating the schools of this area has been discussed numerous times in the past forty years and always heretofore has been dropped due to financial difficulties. In order that the public at large may have an opportunity to be informed, as a public service, The Post presents herewith full financial information covering seven local districts as of July, 1947. The following explanatory notes will assist in comparing the several districts and understanding the tables presented in this week's Post.

**Receipts**  
Delinquent tax is that received from the court house from taxes paid there and tax sales.

State appropriation includes all payments received from the state treasurer for teachers' salaries, tuition, transportation, etc.

**Expenditures**  
General control includes salaries of secretary, treasurer, tax collector, solicitor, and their various office expenses, including surety bonds.

Instruction includes teachers' salaries, books, instruction supplies, maps, instruction apparatus, etc.

Auxiliary agencies includes public libraries, nurse service, etc.  
Operation of plant includes heat, light, power, telephone, janitor service, janitor supplies, etc.

Maintenance includes repairs and renewal of buildings and equipment; replacement of items worn out, etc.

Fixed charges include insurance, teachers' retirement payments, etc.  
Debt service includes interest on debt, payments on the principal to retire bonds and loans.  
Capital outlay is any expenditure which adds to the value of the school property such as buildings and equipment. In the case of changes this includes only the expenses in excess of the old property replaced.

**Assets**  
These are variously estimated by different districts and cannot reasonably be compared due to difference in methods of computation, but they give a general idea of the present facilities.

**Enrollment**  
This is the most important table listed and the small enrollment in some districts is the cause of the movement to consolidate schools. State appropriation for teachers salaries under the new law is based on 30 pupils for an elementary unit and 22 pupils for a high school unit. Additional pupils in a room will increase the number of units paid for in proportion. Fewer pupils in a room mean that the local district has more teachers than paid for by the state and the local taxpayers must pay the difference.

The plans as at present being promoted by the state under laws which have been in effect for approximately ten years provide that schools may be combined by a merger of districts, or by contract arrangements between the various school boards under which joint schools are maintained or pupils sent on a tuition basis from one district to a school in another.  
It is probable that plans will be offered for the creation of larger districts of administration, and also for the making of certain units known as attendance areas under which more pupils will attend certain schools.

## Chosen President

Dale Zimmerman was elected president of Brotherhood of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown, at a recent meeting. Other officers elected are: Vice president, Charles Gosart; second vice president, Fred Nicely; secretary, Irvin Davis; treasurer, Charles Dressel.

## Receipts For Back Mountain School Districts, 1946-'47

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(Financial Report)

Districts	July 1946 Balance	Property Tax	Per Capita Tax	Delinquent Tax	State Appropriation	Tuition	Loans	Other	Total	Total—Less Tuition and Transportation
DALLAS BORO.	202.04	17,211.42	3,195.20	2,836.89	17,709.18		8,100	301.85	49,556.58	40,381.86
DALLAS TWP.	14,151.41	28,139.95	3,985.85	5,462.78	42,510.56	1,571.00		3,808.47	9,963.02	62,464.35
FRANKLIN TWP.	8,071.11	4,858.88	657.00	329.11	6,326.16			4.97	20,247.23	7,752.93
JACKSON TWP.	2,316.55	1,720.20	6,812.72	1,572.76	11,849.22			107.88	24,379.33	10,164.68
KINGSTON TWP.	4,311.15	48,056.67	7,428.25	6,029.15	50,471.50	675.19		2,312.65	119,284.56	96,555.67
LAKE TWP.	9,776.34	24,541.92	1,382.50	4,211.13	26,227.97	569.04		821.63	67,530.53	49,141.80
LEHMAN TWP.	16,617.22	23,112.13	2,395.50	4,422.28	38,615.45	11,337.59		2,868.73	104,368.90	70,413.40

## Income And Expenditures In Back Mountain Schools

1946 - 47  
INCOME BY SOURCES

1946 - 47  
EXPENDITURES

Districts	Local Per Capita and Property Tax	Appropriations (State & Federal)	Tuition	Delinquent Taxes	All Other Sources	Expenses Excluding Trans. and Tuition	Transportation	Tuition
DALLAS BORO.	\$20,406.62	\$17,709.18		\$2,836.89	301.85	\$40,381.86		
DALLAS TWP.	32,125.80	42,510.56	1,511.00	5,462.78	3,808.47	62,464.35		
FRANKLIN TWP.	5,515.88	6,326.16		329.11	4.97	7,752.93		
JACKSON TWP.	8,532.92	11,849.22		1,572.76	107.88	10,164.68		
KINGSTON TWP.	55,484.92	50,471.50	675.19	6,029.15	2,312.65	96,555.67		
LAKE TWP.	25,924.42	26,227.97	569.04	4,211.13	821.63	49,141.80		
LEHMAN TWP.	25,507.63	38,615.45	11,337.59	4,422.28	2,868.73	70,413.40		

## 1946-'47 Financial Report

### ASSETS

### Bonds and Loans

	Sch. Bldgs. and sites	Text books	Unpaid * Taxes	Sinking Fund	Total including balance	Bonds	Exemptions
DALLAS BOROUGH	\$100,219.20	\$19,189.20	\$12,164.08	\$	\$134,382.68	\$ 3,000.00	\$3,000.00
DALLAS TOWNSHIP	189,000.00	12,000.00	56,450.18	9,726.49	282,143.18	39,000.00	
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	3,900.00	900.00	882.13		14,705.28		
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,276.98				
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	248,073.18	21,189.45	18,057.74	269.49		26,500.00	
LAKE TOWNSHIP	102,500.00	20,500.00	1,467.31	20,000.00			
LEHMAN TOWNSHIP	172,000.00	21,000.00	4,117.36	209.00		34,000.00	

\* Previous to 1944 Duplicate.

### EXPENDITURES

1946 - 47	General Control	Expenses of Instruction	Auxiliary Agencies	Operation of School	Maintenance	Fixed Ch'gs.	Debt Service	Capital Outlay	Balance
DALLAS BORO.	\$1,940.23	\$12,401.07	\$ 491.29	\$1,969.33	\$ 277.16	\$1,204.03	\$ 8,471.19	\$ 350.64	\$ 352.89
DALLAS TWP.	2,174.65	16,345.76	376.00	4,112.75	1,263.74	878.05	8,991.83	3,622.47	14,914.17
FRANKLIN TWP.	488.53	19,513.38	6,275.52	3,183.33	2,439.39	1,411.41			9,023.15
JACKSON TWP.	861.25	9,766.70	313.00	423.65	47.88	184.32			2,255.88
KINGSTON TWP.	4,056.87	8,345.86	2,106.00	491.82	194.55	219.07		100.00	2,717.23
LAKE TWP.	3,067.54	5,952.80	2,131.00	5,468.70	2,499.41	102,533.67	12,344.21	1,689.45	2,089.03
LEHMAN TWP.	2,428.77	41,249.17	1,967.21	6,932.78	2,527.27	708.16	4,060.00	7,972.41	16,104.11
		16,485.50	6,016.44	3,238.06	441.71	764.20			104,368.90
		19,375.55	3,869.16	2,949.83	552.94	708.16			
		13,558.58	8,273.90	3,312.41	490.99	675.24			
		34,111.44	11,426.57	5,495.02	1,114.93	1,173.15		2,143.59	

## Assessed Valuation, Tax Rates and Borrowing Capacity

Districts to be included in Administrative Unit	1947 - 48 Assessed Valuation	Tax Rate Reported Per Cent of Cap. Assessment 46-47	TOTAL Borrowing Capacity		Bonded Indebtedness Outstanding July 7, '47		Additional Borrowing Capacity			
			School Board 2%	Electorate 7% School Board	Electorate Total	School Board TOTAL				
DALLAS BORO.	\$636,036	100%	\$5 30	\$12,120	\$44,520	3,000	3,000	6,000	9,000	30,500
DALLAS TWP.	986,104	"	\$5 33	19,720	69,020		39,000	39,000	19,700	39,000
FRANKLIN TWP.	325,822	"	\$3 18	6,500	22,750				6,500	22,700
JACKSON TWP.	353,769	"	\$5 22	7,060	24,710				7,000	24,700
KINGSTON TWP.	1,556,885	"	\$5 35	31,120	108,920		26,500	26,500	31,137	82,400
LAKE TWP.	1,258,785	"	\$2 22	25,160	88,060				None	88,900
LEHMAN TWP.	887,136	"	\$5 30	17,740	70,960		34,000	34,000	17,700	28,100
	\$6,004,537									

## Enrollment By Grades During 1947-'48 Term

PRESENT DISTRICTS * TO BE INCLUDED	ESTIMATED ENROLLMENT BY GRADES 1947 - 48												TOTALS BY GRADES **			GRAND TOTAL
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1-6	7-9	10-12	
DALLAS BORO.	25	18	17	28	18	30	23	24	24	25	19	21	136	71	65	272
DALLAS TWP.	(16)	(11)	(9)	(5)	(10)	(12)	(10)	(12)	(2)	(12)	(4)	(2)	(105)			636
FRANKLIN TWP. *																
JACKSON TWP. **	17	19	20	20	18	13			(5)	(1)	(4)	(2)	109	(13)	(5)	109
KINGSTON TWP.	65	58	67	67	54	63	58	51	44	51	54	45	374	153	150	677
LAKE TWP.	(4)			(3)	(2)	(1)	(1)	(2)					(9)	(4)		362
LEHMAN TWP. ***	(1)	(1)	(3)	(2)	(4)	(5)	(16)	(21)	(38)	(25)	(27)	(28)	(16)	(75)	(80)	(171)
	35	35	31	31	30	30	43	50	73	52	48	42	192	166	142	500
	GRAND TOTAL												1366	662	528	2556

\* Franklin Township pupils attend Dallas Township School.

\*\* Jackson Township pupils, grades 7-12, attend Lehman Township High School. (Numbers in Parenthesis indicate number of pupils who are non-resident. These are included in the grade total).

\*\*\* Pupils from Ross Township, grades 9-12, attend Lehman Township High School.



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