

House Cleaning Due In Colleges

James B. Conant, president of Harvard, recently said: "The nation has a right to demand of its educational institutions that the teachers dealing with controversial subjects shall be fearless seekers of the truth and careful scholars rather than propagandists. But granted honesty, sincerity, and ability, there must be tolerance of a wide diversity of opinion."

No one can quarrel with that doctrine, and it could well serve as a model for any university in a free country. However, it is evident to anyone who has even a cursory knowledge of modern teaching that much of the instruction on controversial problems is warped and biased. This is done, in many cases, by individual teachers who are trying to sell some ism or other. And it is done in many other cases by text books which bend the truth in order to hew to what amounts to the party line.

It is one thing, for instance, to show the student what socialism and communism and the nationalization of industry involve, as contrasted with a capitalist or free economy. It is a very different thing to deliberately make it appear that the super state is the answer to the ills of mankind, and unfortunately that is an impression that emanates from many colleges today. It is all very well to discuss what may be wrong with the American system at the same time, we must honestly teach what is right in the American system, as proved by the results it has achieved for the masses of people.

Academic freedom is as basic as any other freedom. It must be protected from fanatics on either the right or the left wings of political and economic thought. But it must justify itself, as Dr. Conant said, by fearlessly seeking the truth — not by tearing down the principles which make possible the freedom of some professors in American universities to promote political and economic philosophies which, if adopted, would destroy the liberties and opportunities on which our nation was built.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

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

There is a course which I should like to see incorporated into the curriculum of the High Schools in the Back Mountain area, one which is given in some of the more advanced schools in the United States. This is an orientation course in Family Relations, covering all phases of normal family life, and seeking to reconcile the varying demands of a growing family with fairness to all parties concerned.

There are too many families in which the children are at loggerheads with the parents, or where the parents make no effort to understand the child's point of view and to satisfy his innate sense of justice, which in point of fact is usually sharper than that of an adult.

The other side of the coin is the growing child's inability to put himself in his parent's place and to understand what the adults of a family are up against in providing food, shelter, clothing, and in curbing dangerous social tendencies on the part of their young.

Most children feel that the basic necessities of life are as free as the air they breathe, failing to realize that they are the product of hard work and sacrifice on the part of their parents. Parents wonder why their children seem ungrateful, not taking into account their actual ignorance of what it takes to make a household tick.

Adolescents feel that they, and they alone, invented youth. To them, their parents are completely ageless and have had no background of similar turmoil. Parents forget their own growing-pains and are prone to skip lightly over the period extending from twelve to fourteen to complete maturity.

With the marriage of the children, parents find to their boundless amazement that increasingly over the passage of years they no longer own their children, but their children own them. If they are unable or unwilling to make the necessary adjustments, they are on the well-beaten path to an embittered old age.

It is to bridge the gap between the generations that the course in Family Relations is given. One age passes into another age so imperceptibly that human beings must be prepared for the closing of one door and the opening of another. There must be resources that can be drawn upon, inner strength and understanding, a willingness to relinquish, an ability to put away childish things, a determination to mature and then to age gracefully.

There are too many adults who feverishly cling to youth, long after youth is past. There are too many twenty-year-olds who refuse to accept responsibility.

An impersonal course in Family Relations, with an open forum for free discussion, case histories cited, every-day problems assigned for study and analysis and possible solution, might be the answer to many vexing questions. Such a course has brought excellent results in some of the more progressive schools.

It would probably be difficult to find the right teacher for a course of this sort. It would need somebody with a warm human understanding, somebody who could command real respect combined with affection from the students, a person in whom confidence would be placed. A person who probably would not know all of the answers off hand, but who would be willing to work them out.

Probably, in the words of the farmer who gazed for the first time upon a giraffe, "Shucks, there ain't no sech animal."

Klinetob Will Leave Church

Was Former Principal In Dallas Township

Rev. Corey B. Klinetob, pastor of Luzerne Methodist Church, announced that he will retire to make his home on Cape Cod at the annual session of the Wyoming Conference opening in Wilkes-Barre on April 7.

A native of Luzerne County and a former principal of Dallas Township school, Dr. Klinetob is a brother of Miss Bess Klinetob of Sweet Valley. He resigned that position when he entered Drew Theological Seminary to study for the ministry. He was ordained a deacon in 1909 by Bishop Moore and joined the conference that spring. While in Dallas he boarded with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Road.

He has served charges at Eatonville, Rendham, Firwood, Clarks Summit, Dunmore, Nanticoke, Peckville, Embury of Scranton and Luzerne.

For eight years he was manager of the Institute at Sidney, N. Y. and for more than twenty years he has been a member of the Board of Ministerial Training of which he is now chairman.

His wife is the former Miss M. Frances Jacobus, Tawasco, N. J., whom he met while on a preaching assignment while he was a student at Drew.

They have four sons, one of whom, Rev. Hugh G. Klinetob, is pastor at Moscow, Pa.

Two Teams Ask To Join League

Bi-County Group Will Meet On Monday Night

Re-organization meeting and election of officers of the Bi-County Baseball League will be held Monday night at Monroe Township High School at Beaumont.

Last year there were seven teams in the League: Beaumont, East Dallas, Noxen, Vernon, Orange, Carverton and Mill City. Applications for franchises from Shavertown and Harding will be acted upon at Monday night's meeting.

George Gay of Tunkhannock is League president and Arch Austin of Beaumont is secretary. After the election of officers, schedules will be drawn up. Each team will play fifteen games.

All managers have been requested to submit their rosters of players and to come prepared to pay their franchise fees.

All players must live in the Back Mountain area in order to be eligible for team membership.

Back Mountain League has been in operation more than fifteen years, the only interruption in its activities coming during the war years when few communities were able to put teams on the field.

Drive-In Movie Will Be Erected At Sandy Beach

Wilkes-Barre Grocer Purchases Property From Margaret Pugh

Harvey's Lake will have a new drive-in motion picture theatre that will accommodate 500 automobiles and 300 seated patrons according to an announcement made by Sam Slomowitz, Barney street, Wilkes-Barre grocer, who has purchased approximately 785 feet of Sandy Beach from Margaret Pugh of Edwardsville. The purchase price was not disclosed.

Slomowitz, a summer resident at the Lake, said that purchase, completed on March 19, includes a part of the beach front, a restaurant and bath houses.

Contracts for work on the property and theater have been let, and it is expected the screen for the theater will be constructed within the next week or two.

Arrangements have been made with Harvey's Lake Light Company to supply electrical current so that the entire area and theatre can be brilliantly lighted.

Slomowitz said he plans to improve the beach front and buildings on the grounds. The restaurant, will be renovated and new equipment installed.

He said the theater will be in operation by May 30.

Miss Pugh purchased Sandy Beach Amusement Park, located in Lake Township, from Kingston National Bank on August 18, 1936, for \$70,000.

She is a sister of Thomas Pugh, Edwardsville merchant, who managed the park for his sister.

Pugh, at one time, was part owner of the park with William V. Davis, brother of Mrs. Warden Kunkle, Edwardsville.

At the time Miss Pugh purchased the property there were four tracts of land, the largest being the amusement park and beach.

The sale included riparian rights at Harvey's Lake and West End Creek.

Carverton Farmer Gets Suspended Sentence

Michael Riaubia, Carverton farmer, charged with obstructing an officer in the execution of a process, was given a suspended sentence of three to six months in the county jail when he was convicted before Judge Frank Pinola Monday morning after he had waived a hearing.

Riaubia was convicted also of pointing a deadly weapon when the constable visited the Riauba home to serve a legal process.

Defendant claimed he interfered with the officer and displayed the gun because his three small children were frightened by the officer's presence.

Mother Virginia BeBerus Has New Song Published

"Don't Say Goodbye, Say So Long!" is the title of a new song written by Mrs. Virginia Harding BeBerus of Trucksville and published by the LaMarre Music Company of Canton, Ohio. Pat Finley of Plymouth wrote the music.

It was broadcast for the first time this week over station WBAX with Jerry Lemo doing the vocal and Bob Allen playing the organ accompaniment.

"Dusk and Perfume" is the title of a second composition which will be published shortly by Mrs. DeBerus.

Named Supervisor

T. R. Jones of Shavertown, forecaster for Wyoming Valley Chamber of Commerce for the last year, has been named forestry educational supervisor of the Pennsylvania Department of Forest and Waters.

Working out of the district forester's office in Scranton for the present, Mr. Jones' work will be devoted chiefly to development of a forestry course for use in 300 schools in the State. He is married to the former Miss Irene Hicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hicks of Shavertown.

Businessmen To Meet

Dallas Borough Businessmen's Association will meet Monday night at First National Bank.

Effect of DDT On Wildlife Studied In Gypsy Moth Area

Harrisburg, April 1.—Although surveys in the past four years have shown no ill effects on wild life and beneficial insects through spraying DDT to wipe out the gypsy moth caterpillar in Northeastern Pennsylvania, another and more extensive check is now under way, according to Miles Horst, State Secretary of Agriculture.

An open air "laboratory" of 18,000 acres of forest, farm and urban territory has been laid out in Luzerne and Lackawanna counties. Surveys have been started by representatives of the United States Army and six Federal and State agencies to observe conditions before airplane spraying starts shortly after April 1 to eliminate gypsy moth caterpillars. Spraying is to be at the rate of one pound of DDT per acre.

Largest Program In East

The area is but a part of the 150,000 acres or 250 square miles to be treated between April 1 and June 15. Federal and State Departments of Agriculture are co-operating in the spraying program, largest DDT operation in the Eastern United States this year.

Army and State Department of Health officials are particularly interested in the ability of DDT to control mosquitoes, black flies and other insect pests of man and animals. The State Department of Forests and Waters will have observers check the value of DDT in protection offered trees in keeping down leaf-feeding insects, including the gypsy moth caterpillar.

State Game Commission observers will check for possible effects on game and song birds and wild life in general. State Fish Commission specialists will see if DDT affects growth of fish in the streams of the 18,000-acre area. The Federal and State Departments of Agriculture will observe effects, if any, on bees and various beneficial insects.

Each agency is checking con-

Veterans Oppose Traffic Hazards

Highway Officials Will Be At Meeting Tuesday

Second in a series of meetings designed to safeguard pedestrians and minimize traffic hazards in the Back Mountain area will be held at Kingston Township Veterans' home at Trucksville, Tuesday at 8:00 P.M.

At the first meeting held on March 2nd, Harradon Smith, county superintendent of Pennsylvania Department of Highways, gave a constructive talk and assisted in planning the proper method of arriving at the desired goal.

Next Tuesday evening, Bernard J. Harding, District Engineer for the Department of Highways, will speak and advise procedure for eliminating obstructions and usurpation of the right-of-way which now cause great danger to pedestrians, forcing them to walk on the improved surface of the roads with hazard to themselves and motorists. Mr. Harding will be accompanied by Harradon Smith and Kenneth V. Potter, District Maintenance Engineer, who will discuss problems peculiar to their positions, regarding these adverse traffic conditions.

Recognition of these traffic hazards was attested by the attendance at the previous meeting of several civic, church and service organizations. All organizations are cordially invited to send representatives to this meeting, along with any citizens who are interested in making Back Mountain Highways safer for all who use them. Kingston Township Veterans' Association is convinced that these hazards can be remedied. With the support of the residents of this area a greater measure of safety upon the highways can be attained.

New Enterprise

G. Harold Wagner, Pen Lake Park, and Harry N. Fagely of Mauch Chunk have filed an application with the Secretary of the Commonwealth for registration under the fictitious names act for The Cobbs Sales Company of Pennsylvania with principal offices at 709 Brooks Building, Wilkes-Barre.

Expect Sell-Out For Band Concert

More Than A Hundred Students To Take Part

A sell-out performance is expected tonight when Dallas Township High School's seventy-five piece school band presents its annual spring concert in the high school auditorium under the direction of Alfred-Milliner-Camp.

An added attraction will be the appearance of the school chorus of sixty members.

Proceeds will be used to purchase new uniforms for the band.

Band members are: Trumpets—Harry, Belles, John Roberts, Earl Lamoreaux, William Whipp, Robert Winters, Nancy Martin, Betsy Bunton, Dana Race, Irene Shultz, Don Evans, Jessie Carey, Anthony Yurchak, Dorothy Prutzman, Karl Landmesser, Bobby Rice, Jerry Elston.

Clarinet: Joy Lamoreaux, Phyllis Kunkle, Calvin Miers, Edward Kraft, Barbara Brace, Peggy Martin, Lorraine Wasser, Jacqueline Mahoney, Nelson Ashburner, Mary Louise Lipp, Marilyn Mosier, Mary Ann Polachek, Lois Ward, William Henninger, Nancy Carey.

Saxophones: Virginia Brungess, John Shields, Jerry Miers, Julia Updyke, Lawrence Shupp.

Trombones: David Parsons, Shepherd Moore, Donald Wiedner.

Baritone Horn: Kenneth Martin.

Drummers: Elton Brace, Harold Swank, John Hope, Carolyn Morris, Kenneth Sedler, Allan Watkins, Lynn Moore, Sonny Sutton, Lee Lamoreaux, Robert Roote.

E Flat Horns: Lois Klein, Regina Klein, Barbara Stephens, Marion Parsons, Theresa Polachek, Mary Kozick.

Bell Lyres: Janet Hess, Elizabeth Calhoun.

Bass Horns: Raymond Kuhnert, Robert Henry, Thomas Stash, Fred Brown.

Flutes: Winifred Decker, Patsy Pickett.

Piccolo: Augustine Haraden.

Twirlers: Wilma Hess Nancy Hessler, Mabel Miller, Patsy VanCampen, Nancy Faheringer, Naomi Veitch, Louise Trimble, Rose Ann Rogers, Lois Trimble, Rose Ann Patner, Gloria Davis.

Managers: Leona Wassel, Barbara Hope.

The United States Army Transport, the "John L. McCarley," is due at New York this week with the bodies of 2,619 Americans who died in the struggle for the liberation of Europe, the Army announced today.

Aboard the vessel are the remains of 240, many of them from the Wyoming Valley area, being brought to the United States under the provisions of a 1946 congressional act at the instructions of next-of-kin residing in Pennsylvania.

Virtually all the remains aboard the "McCarley" which is scheduled to arrive from Cherbourg, are being returned from the "D-Day" military cemeteries at Saint-Laurent-sur-Mer, Blosville and LaCambe, Normandy.

Next-of-kin were notified shortly before arrival of the vessel at New York and prior to publication of the names of the dead aboard the ship.

Kingston Township Gets \$144 From Fund

Kingston Township was one of twenty-three municipalities in Luzerne County to share this week in the distribution of \$20,000 made by Luzerne County Institutional District, from funds received by the former Central Poor District for its office at West Union and North Franklin Streets, Wilkes-Barre. The amount Kingston Township received was \$144.

Sale of the building marks the transfer of the last physical property formerly owned by the Poor District. The Retreat Infirmary was sold to the Commonwealth some time ago and the money obtained then was likewise distributed.

Body Of Soldier, Killed In France, Being Returned

Funeral Services For William Stritzinger To Be Announced Later

The body of S/Sgt. William F. Stritzinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stritzinger of Fernbrook, is among those due to arrive in New York City on April 2 aboard the United States Army Transport John L. McCarley.

Sgt. Stritzinger was twenty-one when he was killed in action at Blosville, France on July 9, 1944 while serving with an infantry unit. He took part in the initial invasion of France and engaged in some of the most stubborn fighting at the fall of Cherbourg. A number of his comrades in his own Company B were killed in action or reported missing at that time. Among them two Wyoming Valley boys, Pvt. Thomas Purvis, Lee Park, missing; and Sgt. Rudolph Nicholi, Wilkes-Barre, killed.

Sgt. Stritzinger was born in Kingston and came to this area in 1927 with his parents. He attended Dallas Township High School where he was guard on the football team and before entering service was employed by General Cigar Company. He had a natural bent for mechanics and drawing and was taking a special course in the latter when he enlisted in the army.

He received his basic training at Camp Lee, Va., and was subsequently stationed at Camp Pickett, Va., and Camp Blanding, Fla. He was one of nine cousins overseas.

At the time of his death he was engaged to be married to Miss Albertina Van House of Jamestown, N. Y.

He was a member of the Salvation Army and attended its services regularly and also played on the Sunday School soft ball team.

His body will be brought to Wyoming Valley for burial. Exact date of funeral services will probably not be known for some time.

Beside his parents he is survived by two brothers, George of Fernbrook; Peter Jr., of Kingston; and a sister Mrs. Edward Bartow of Fernbrook.

New Book Tells Tale Of Asylum

Gilbert Gabriel Is Former Newspaperman

The upper Susquehanna River in the days of the French Royalist settlements is the scene of Gilbert W. Gabriel's novel "I Thee Wed", published today by The Macmillan Company.

The story concerns the log-cabin village of Asylum in Wyalusing, built by French and Americans as a refuge for Marie Antoinette, and various of the novel's leading characters are historic figures whose descendants now live in Pennsylvania and who are responsible for such place names as Dauphin, Montour, Luzerne and Fayette, or Dupont, Dushore, Jeannette and LaPlume.

As the author of The New Yorker's first Profile, a Hollywood scenario writer and former newspaperman, Gilbert Gabriel makes "I Thee Wed" an accurate portrayal of a romantic period in America's history.

The author was born in Brooklyn, graduated from Williams College in 1912, and was later honored by his alma mater with an M.A. He began his writing career as a cub on the New York Sun, and within a few months became literary editor and then music critic. Within half-a-dozen years he had taken two leaves of absence—one to study music in Rome with Respighi, and the other to serve in World War I as a Second Lieutenant of Infantry.

He has written non-fiction and fiction for Vanity Fair, Collier's, Town and Country, Harper's Bazaar, The New Yorker (he wrote The New Yorker's very first profile), and other magazines. He covered the theater a season or two for The New Yorker, Vanity Fair, Town and Country, The Stage, and Theatre Arts.

He does his writing in his home near Brewster, New York, where he lives with his wife, Ada Gabriel, the painter and lithographer.

BOX SCORE

Back Mountain Highway Deaths and Serious accidents since V-J Day

	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS	2	11
LEHMAN	1	1
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	20	4
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	2	1
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	1	1
TOTAL	31	17