

The Big Show Is Ready To Start

There is nothing in the world quite like an American political race. In these disordered times, the voters take the candidates and their platforms seriously, as the unusually heavy primary votes in various states demonstrate.

This year the active candidates have followed the tradition and given the photographers what they wanted. Dewey and Stassen, of course, have been the most active by far, with barnstorming tours reminiscent of the days before radio.

Curiously enough, a real show-down fight came in Oregon—a state which will have only 12 of the Republican convention's 1,094 delegates, and so will have practically no voting influence on the outcome.

Even the strongest Stassen backers reeled at the result. It was felt, before Dewey appeared on the scene, that Stassen was a cinch. The former governor of Minnesota got exactly what he wanted when Dewey accepted his challenge to a nationally broadcast radio debate on what to do about the communists in America.

However, it is doubtful if the Oregon victory has particularly improved Dewey's chances. He had to get it just to stay in the race. His margin—around 9,000 votes—was substantial but not sufficient to make him look like an overwhelming choice of the people.

No candidate, it must be emphasized, has anywhere near enough early-balloted delegates to win. It will take 548 to nominate. Dewey has 273. Taft has 111, and Stassen 141.

That is why the fact that a candidate may go to the convention with a big lead over the next contender doesn't necessarily mean a thing. Talk is still going around to the effect that once Taft or Dewey sees that he can't get a majority they will combine their votes to nominate one or the other.

The United States News recently polled Congress as to what Republican candidate would be most competent at the helm of State. A majority of the senators and representatives replied, and Taft came out on top by a goodly margin—some 60 per cent of those offering opinions thought that he would do an excellent job.

A great deal will depend on the number of ballots that are cast. If it goes on long enough without any one getting near to a majority, the organization may get behind a candidate who isn't particularly in the public eye, and put him over.

Both conventions will probably give more than usual attention to the selection of their vice-presidential candidates. It may not be pleasant to say it—but the burden of the presidency is so vast these days that the qualities and character of the second man on the ticket are nearly as important as those of the first.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

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

Grandmothers are once more coming into their own. Grandmother finds her spot in the sun. See any popular magazine for elaboration of the theme song.

The implication is clearly that grandmother has been gypped for so these many years laid on the shelf, sidetracked so to speak, but that now, bless her doddering old heart, she is being permitted to rock the baby in front of the fireplace, toasting her own toes the while.

That place in the sun, to speak from purely personal observation, occasionally becomes somewhat overheated, due to solar radiation or perhaps to the multiplicity of detail arising from the care of the small fry.

"Just call me George, and let me do it," is the motto for the streamlined model of present day grandmother. Far from sitting at ease in front of the fire with a complacent infant across the knees, however, the good old crone dashes from pillar to post changing underpinning on the twins, changing dummies on the newborn, removing the eldest from the soup of a neighborhood fracas, cleaning up the house and feeding a large and hungry male as well as several lesser bottomless pits.

And this, brother, is as it should be, a natural outgrowth of a mispent youth in the course of which (Continued on Page Five)

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

Class of Forty-Three Seniors Graduates At Kingston Township



Gathered for the last group picture of its high school career, the Class of 1948 poses in front of the main entrance to Kingston Township High School. The class received its diplomas at Commencement Exercises on Tuesday night.

Dallas Supply Expands Store

Addition Will Permit Display Of More Lines

In order to expand its lines and keep pace with a growing community, Dallas Hardware and Supply is building a 48x48 addition to its store on Church Street.

The work is moving along rapidly under the direction of Clyde Veitch who plans to install the roof next week. Assisting him are Don and Emerson Veitch and other carpenters.

When completed Dallas Hardware and Supply will have a building 110 feet long by 48 feet wide with a large cellar under the entire structure for warehouse purposes. Construction of the addition is the third major expansion that the firm has made in three years.

Commenting on the construction, Lawrence Updyke, owner, said this week, "we are going to keep right on expanding to meet the needs of this community. The people of the Back Mountain region have proved to us that they want service and merchandise equal to and superior to what they can get anywhere else.

The new addition will give us the space to carry more complete displays of floor coverings, outdoor porch furniture, water pumps, modern kitchens, bathrooms and all types of home electrical appliances."

Two Doe Deer Visit Dallas On Wednesday

Two large doe deer apparently from the Newberry Estate made an early morning survey of Dallas gardens on Wednesday.

Their travels took them as far as Lehman Avenue where they investigated Ralph Rood's beehives and then continued to Floyd and Roger Harris's garden about 6:30.

Soon tiring of village life they bounded up over the hill to Earl Monk's home on Pine Crest avenue, thence across Huntsville road to Parrish Heights and the refuge of the Newberry lands.

Most Property Owners Meet Borough's June 1 Deadline

Arrival of the June 1 deadline set by Dallas Borough Council for the installation of septic tanks to prevent raw sewage from entering Toby's Creek found the majority of Main Street business places and home owners complying.

There are still two or three properties where work on sumps and septic tanks has not been started; but those who have not complied have informed Council

Horse Show Will Go On After All

Most Shriners Regret Unfavorable Publicity

At a meeting of the Mounted Patrol of A.O.M.S. Monday night at Irem Temple Country Club action was taken to reconsider abandonment of the Irem Horse Show for the benefit of Crippled Children, and the show will go on as previously scheduled starting Thursday July 29 and continuing for four days.

Dwight K. Fisher, Pioneer avenue, will be show chairman, Denton Durland, captain, and Peter M. Malkemes, Trucksville, secretary.

Cash awards have been increased from \$10,000 to \$13,000 and there will be hundreds of trophies for the many events which have already attracted entries from all over the country. The show is now a member of the American Horse Show Association Incorporated.

Fly To Convention

Harry Ohlman, Dan Robinhold and David Jenkins have returned from Atlantic City where they attended the Shriners' Convention on Tuesday and Wednesday. They returned home Wednesday evening.

Announces Natona's Vacation Schedule



JOHN McCUSKER

John McCusker, general manager of Natona Mills has announced the plant's summer vacation schedule which will effect its more than 325 employees.

The main vacation period will extend from July 3 through July 11 with work resuming on Monday July 12. More than 300 employees will have their vacations during this period.

The leavers and leavers auxiliary, twenty-four employees, and the

Traffic Fines On Increase

Two Weeks In June Exceed May and April

Officers of the State Highway Patrol are giving Dallas Borough officials excellent cooperation in the enforcement of the motor vehicle code according to Joseph MacVeigh, president of Borough Council.

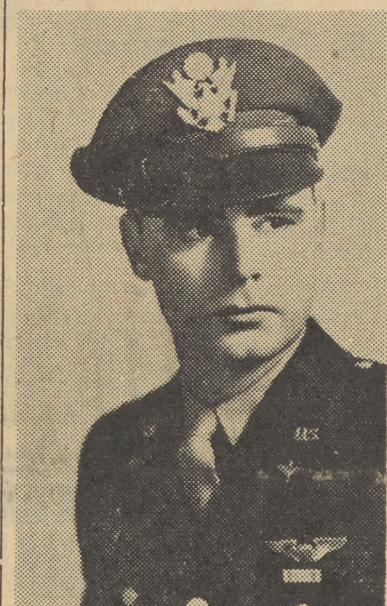
They have made numerous arrests during the past few weeks Mr. MacVeigh said. During April fines amounted to \$15. During May this amount was more than doubled. With three weeks yet to go in June fines to date exceed the totals for both April and May.

"It is not Council's desire to collect fines", Mr. MacVeigh said, "but we are anxious to promote highway safety both for the vehicle driver and for the pedestrian; if fines have to be imposed to bring this point home, the sooner motorists learn that Dallas means business, the better it will be for all concerned."

Landmark Is Razed

The venerable old barn that has been a playground for generations of Dallas youngsters back of the former Albertson house on Church street is being razed by the new owners, Glenburn Realty Company, a subsidiary of Natona Mills.

Pilot For Artillery



LT. CHESTER J. SUTTON

First Lieutenant Chester J. Sutton, A. C. of Lehman, a Veteran of thirty missions as pilot of a B-17 airplane over Europe, has been assigned to the air section of 967 Armored Field Artillery Battalion as Liaison Plane Pilot.

Lt. Sutton is a graduate of the Lehman High School and attended Lafayette College. He enlisted in the Air Corp August, 1940 from Wilkes-Barre. He was a Weather observer at Langley Field, Virginia; Westover Field, Massachusetts; and Presque Isle, Maine. Lt. Sutton was commissioned and received his Pilots Wings at the Air Corp Advanced School, Blytheville, Arkansas.

Oversas in the ETO, Lt. Sutton was assigned to the 423rd Bomb Squadron of the 306th Bomb Group of the 8th Air Force. He was relieved from active duty in August, 1945. Lt. Sutton is married and has two children. He is Field Executive of the Wyoming Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America with offices located in Wilkes-Barre Deposit and Savings Bank Building in Wilkes-Barre.

Each battalion of Field Artillery has an air section consisting of two pilots and the necessary ground crew and mechanics. The planes are light planes and are used primarily by the Artillery for observation of enemy activities and for conducting artillery fire upon enemy forces. The planes carry no weapons and depend entirely upon their maneuverability in the air and their ability to land almost anywhere to escape hostile aircraft. With the employment of light airplanes and the principles of massing fire power in great strength the Artillery of the United States Army has no equal in the world.

Timberman's Car Badly Damaged

Long Was En Route To Lake Champlain

Mr. and Mrs. McKinley Long, Sweet Valley, suffered a number of bruises and abrasions when their car, a 1940 Chevrolet, collided with a truck Thursday evening near Scotia, New York.

They were driving behind a line of traffic consisting of two cars and a truck, when they speeded up and passed the two cars; as they attempted to pass, the truck whipped out to make a left hand turn without giving any signal and smashed into the Long's vehicle. The front of Long's car was smashed.

Charles Long and family, including June Long, a sister who is a registered nurse, went to Scotia Thursday to bring their parents home.

Mr. Long was on his way to Whitehall, N. Y., near Lake Champlain to purchase 1,900 acres of timberland. A 10-man crew will start timbering in two to three weeks to cut white pine, hemlock and oak for market.

Blast Ruptures 1,300-Volt Cable

Dallas residents in and near Douglas Culp's building development on the Tunkhannock Highway just above the "Y" were given a scare as the 13,000 volt Luzerne County Gas and Electric Company's feeder cable from the Swoyerville Sub-Station fell to the ground about one o'clock yesterday afternoon. A sheet of electrical flames 5 to 6 feet high kept all spectators at a healthy distance.

The cable, weakened by successive vibrations from blasts of dynamite set off by Mr. Culp in excavating for the homes, fell a minute or two after the second blast of the day. No debris hit the cable so it was judged that the vibrations knocked it down.

The Dallas Fire Company was called and re-routed traffic. The Gas and Electric Company's engineer, "Butch" Nesbitt and a repair crew restored service after an hour. The accident caused some inconvenience in Dallas and threw the fire siren out of commission so that firemen had to be summoned by still alarm. At Commonwealth Telephone Company offices operators had to use auxiliary manual equipment to ring subscribers. Home refrigerators were defrosted and business places using motors on light lines were unable to continue operations.

Permits Issued For Four Homes

All Are Being Built In Heights Section

New home construction which has been on the upward trend in Dallas Borough for several months, continues brisk.

Permits for four new homes ranging in value from \$6,500 up have been issued during the past week by Building Inspector James Besecker.

Included are new homes on Parrish Heights, being built by Postmaster Joseph Polack; home on Maplewood, Archie Bush; home on Parrish Heights, Joseph Wallo, and a home on Elizabeth street being built by Frank Michael.

BANKERS' HOURS

Starting tomorrow, Saturday, June 12, the Dallas Post will be closed Saturdays in order that the editor and his wife can get some gardening done.

Four Motor Cyclists Are Fined For Driving Without Mufflers

In a drive to abate noise made by motorcycle exhausts, Pennsylvania State Police recently arrested four motorcyclists at the traffic lights on Main street. The owners were fined a total of \$40 and costs when given a hearing before Justice

of the Peace James Besecker. Two of the owners were from Kingston and two from Wilkes-Barre. All were fined for operating their vehicles without mufflers and one was fined for not having a driver's license.