

FROM
PILLAR TO POST

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

There is nothing to compare with a thorough childhood grounding in the works of Charles Dickens to help one over a minor domestic crisis. The lesser of the twins is afflicted with what amounts to a genius for inserting his fingers and toes in tiny apertures, giving them a half turn to starboard, thus rendering them immovable, then shrieking for the rescue squad; so it was no great surprise to find him with his head stuck between two uprights of the upstairs railing, held as securely as a cow in a stanchion from the neck up, but with equal play for the hind-quarters.

The tail-feathers went round and round in a rhumba, two small feet did an outraged stamp-stamp, two hands pushed desperately against the railings on either side, the other twin exerted traction from the rear, but the head remained firmly incarcerated.

The lesser twin was in the unenviable position of that man who in a spirit of playfulness and as the result of a wager, opened his mouth to admit a doorknob and found himself firmly attached to the door. Some helpful soul conquered his risibilities long enough to unscrew the corresponding knob, then deliver the original knob with the aid of a buttered shoehorn.

As it seemed impractical to slice off the protruding ears of the prisoner in the stocks, and equally impossible to flatten them sufficiently for withdrawal, something new and different had to be done, and that in a hurry, for the howls were rising to a hysterical crescendo and the victim was threatening to burst a bloodvessel.

Enter Charles Dickens. In "Bleak House" there is a character named Mrs. Jellyby, a vague soul more deeply concerned with the misfortunes of the heathen than with those of her immediate family. Mrs. Jellyby owns a child named Peepy, an undernourished specimen with a large head and a perpetually tear-streaked face. Peepy sticks his head between two iron railings and raises his voice in his perennial lament. The visiting lady suggests that where Peepy's head can enter, Peepy's body may reasonably be expected to follow, so the friends and neighbors gather round while Peepy is pushed gently through the railings, supported from below by interested hands.

Q. E. D. Where a child's head will go, his body will follow. With a mental picture of Peepy in mind, we turned the twin sidewise from above, supported him below, and presto, there he was, released from prison. Sequel? Ah yes, there is always a sequel, and in the case of twins the sequel has a certain sameness about it.

Loud howls from the upper hall, rotation of tail-feathers, stamping of feet, clutching of hands, and there is the second twin with his head fast between two uprights, waiting for deliverance a la Peepy, courtesy Mr. Charles Dickens.

What's A Pineknee? Jacksons Will Exhibit One At Lake Show

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jackson, of the Alderson Methodist Church, Harvey's Lake are exhibiting a pineknee at the eighth annual Flower Show at Lake Township High School Wednesday, August 25. If you wish to know what a pineknee is you will have to attend that exhibit between 3 and 10 p.m. as the Jacksons refuse to impart any information about a pineknee until the day of the show.

The exhibit, which is sponsored by the W. S. C. S. of the Alderson Methodist Church has attracted many flower lovers for the past seven years and many species of flowers have been exhibited there soon after their origination. The Dorothy James Rose was shown at one of the earlier flower shows at the lake soon after an horticulturist of West Grove, near Philadelphia originated that rose and named it in honor of the daughter of the governor of this state.

The American Beauty Rose is a common flower today, but three decades ago it was unknown. It was originated about thirty years ago, according to Ray Shiber of this borough, and at first was very expensive.

Shiber stated today that many species of gladiolus when originated sell for as high as \$500 a bulb. Horticulturists often split a bulb in order to share the expense.

The Jacksons are not claiming that a pineknee will cost that much but they do claim that it is something new and will be worth seeing.

Jackson and Mrs. George W. Carey, of Harvey's Lake are co-chairman of judges of the exhibit and they invite all amateur flower lovers to participate in this year's show. Rev. James Hilbert, pastor

Auction Shows \$4,500 Profit

Library Board Buys U. S. Savings Bonds

Executive Board of Back Mountain Memorial Library meeting last Tuesday night at the library heard Henry Peterson, treasurer, report that receipts from the Library's two-day auction will exceed \$4,500.

The Board voted to buy five U. S. Savings Bonds until conditions are better for expansion. This makes a total of seven bonds held in a special fund by the Library Association to meet any future emergency and growth.

Miss Miriam Lathrop, librarian, reported a steady increase in book circulation among adults and juveniles. She spoke of the book station which has been established at Ruff's Store in Noxen. Thirty-five adult and sixty juvenile books were circulated at the branch during the first two weeks of its opening. Mrs. W. S. Hart is assisting the librarian at the Noxen branch which is open for two hours every Thursday.

The librarian's final report on book circulation in schools for the 1947-48 term showed that the schools borrowed 3,760 books for school libraries and that these books were circulated 25,261 times. Greatest number of books borrowed was 600 by Kingston Township Schools. Lowest number borrowed was 26 by Monroe Township Schools. Four schools in Fairmont Township, the farthest township served by the library, borrowed 386 books which were circulated 1,727 times.

Charles W. Lee, chairman, of the building committee reported completion of the installation of the new septic tank and completion of new guard railings in front of the library building.

Resolutions of condolence were forwarded to Dr. W. L. Lanyon, formerly of Shavertown and one of the founders of the library, whose wife died recently.

Attending the meeting were: Miss Frances Dorrance, Mrs. Fred Howell, Henry Peterson, Harry Ohlman, Charles W. Lee, Mrs. Joseph Schmerer, Mrs. Lewis LeGrand, Miss Miriam Lathrop and Howard Riley.

To Talk To Scouts

Rev. Robert Webster of Trucksville Methodist Church will be the speaker at the Scouters Party at Camp Acahela Saturday.

Lehman Board Elects Squire

Will Assume New Duties August 9

Lester B. Squire of Nicholson, assistant superintendent of Wyoming County Schools and a former principal of Lehman Schools, was elected principal at a meeting of Lehman School Board on Tuesday night.

Mr. Squire was one of fifteen applicants for the position left vacant by H. L. Hendricks' resignation to become principal of Millersburg Schools.

No stranger to this area, Mr. Squire taught at Lehman from 1931 to 1934 when he resigned to become principal of the schools in his home community, Nicholson. He resigned that position in 1942 to become assistant superintendent of Wyoming County Schools.

His wife is the former Helen Montgomery of Kingston. They have two children.

Signals To Operate

Traffic signals recently installed in Kingston Township at Center Street, Shavertown, and Harris Hill Road, Trucksville, will be put in operation on August 1 according to Chief of Police Francis McCarty.

Field of Entries In Trucksville Firemen's Soap Box Derby



Lined up here are the six entrants in Trucksville's first soap box derby. Behind them are their youthful admirers and mechanics. Car No. 6, Green Hornet, Don Johnson, driver; 1, Silver Arrow, Bobby Rice; 7, Silver Streak, Robert Edwards (winner); 3, Tucker Special, Edward Luzinski; 9, The D. G. C. Flyer, Douglas Clewell; 5, The Shark, Bobby Hess.

Fourteen Scouts Back From Camp

Twelve Advanced In Scouting Rank

Fourteen rugged Boy Scouts of Dallas Troop 241 returned this week sun-tanned and happy from Camp Acahela where they spent last week under the direction of Scoutmaster Fred A. Butcher.

Twelve of the Scouts advanced their rank while they were in camp. Advanced to star scouts were: Alfred Gavenas, Russell De Remer and Robert Snyder. Advanced to first class were: Jerry Machell, Lee White. Advanced to second class were: Jack Pizner, David Evans, Lowell Roberts, Richard LaValle, Asa Shotwell, Joseph Gailey and Frank Pavlick.

Three members of the troop were admitted to the Order of the Arrow. They were three of the six boys out of 85 in camp who were David Kunkle, Jerry Machell and Bob Snyder.

Many of the local scouts received additional Merit badges.

At the outdoor meeting Wednesday night at Jerry Machell's farm where all summer troop meetings are held, members of the Troop Committee composed of Lewis LeGrand, Zel Garinger, Niles White, Raymond Kuhner and Charles James, made formal presentation of Badges and Awards.

There are now twenty-one registered members of the troop under the leadership of Mr. Butcher who is stationed with the regular army on civilian work at Kingston Army. A former Eagle Scout and an assistant scoutmaster in his hometown, York, Pa., he is now a resident of Huntsville road.

Lehman Show August 21st

Flowers, Vegetables And Hobbys Included

Second annual Flower Show, sponsored by Friendship Class of Lehman Methodist Church, will be held Saturday, August 21 in Lehman High School from 3 P. M. through the evening.

Dorothy R. Major, chairman, announces that entries will be received on Friday evening, August 20th, from 8 to 10, and Saturday morning, August 21, 9 to noon. No entries will be received Saturday afternoon.

Entries will be judged from 12 to 3 P. M. on Saturday with vegetables and hobby divisions. There will be blue, red and yellow ribbons awarded in each class with special prizes to the outstanding exhibit in each section.

Those wishing to participate may secure entry classification sheets from any of the committee chairmen after August 6th. Out of town participants are cordially invited.

The following chairmen of committees have been appointed: Ribbons, Elda Coolbaugh; prizes, Ruth Nagle; entry blanks and tickets, Betty Miller; acceptance and classification, Madeline Adamsbick; refreshments, Ruth Disque; program, Marian Major; hobby show, Frances Ide, patrons, Mrs. Sutton.

Special attractions include refreshment stand, bake sale, and door prize.

Board of Health Meets

Dallas Borough Board of Health at its meeting Tuesday night learned that all Main street property owners, with the exception of one permitted open sewage to empty into Toby's Creek.

SHIBER ORIGINATES NEW GREEN GLADIOLUS SHOWN IN BALTIMORE SATURDAY

Ray Shiber's "Grundelight", a delicate green gladiolus which he originated, won first place in the 500 Class at the Show held by the American Gladiolus Society at Baltimore, Md. last weekend.

Ray, who had shipped his flowers by plane, received the news over the phone Sunday from Frank Parkinson, president of the New England Glad Society, one of the judges. Other judges were Dr. McLean of the New York Botanical Gardens and Dr. Bailey of the Boston Botanical Gardens.

Mr. Shiber also won a first in the 400 class with a bright red glad, "Firebug" and a second with "Parmissimus", a cerise rose.

Band Schedules Two Concerts

Fifth Series Will Open On August 11

Dr. Henry M. Laing Community Band has announced its fifth annual schedule of summer concerts to be presented at the Band Stand on Memorial Highway.

The first, on Wednesday evening, August 11 at 7:30 will be conducted by Charles Nuss, cornet soloist with the band. The second, on Saturday evening August 21 at 7:30 will be conducted by Ralph Harrison.

Howard Cosgrove is director of the band which is composed of twenty-five members from Kingston Township, Noxen, Lehman, Dallas Township, and Dallas Borough. Wilma Hess is twirler and Barbara Hope is vocal soloist.

Irma Robbins Laid At Rest

Woman Overcome By Gas In Apartment

The funeral of Miss Irma Mae Robbins, 20, whose body was found in her gas filled apartment in Easton on Sunday morning, was held Thursday afternoon from the family home in the Hillside section of Trucksville with services in charge of Rev. Robert Webster of Trucksville Methodist Church.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Robbins, Miss Robbins moved to this area five years ago from Courtland and for a time attended Kingston Township High School, leaving in her Sophomore year. She went to Easton eight months ago to live with an aunt and was employed in a Phillipsburg mill.

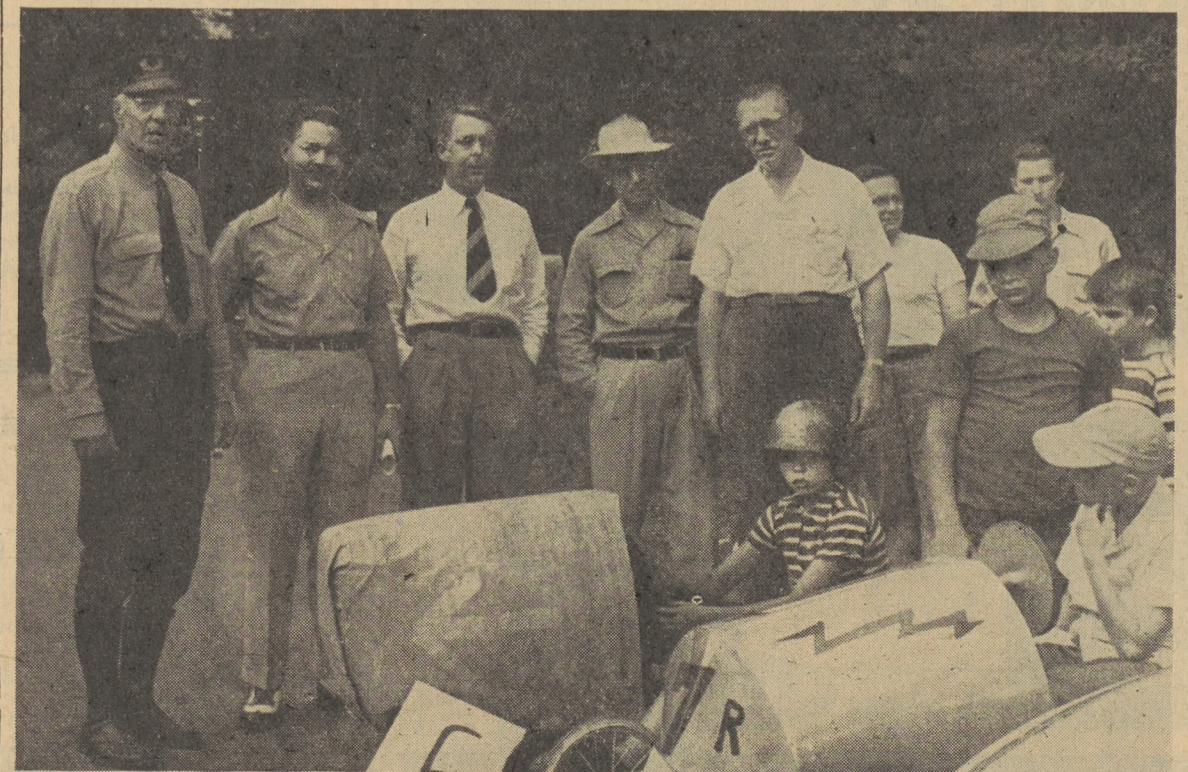
She was a young woman of happy disposition, well liked by friends and neighbors. Her parents visited her last Saturday afternoon and evening and when they departed she was in happy frame of mind and making plans for the coming week. Shortly after their departure she was found overcome by gas which the Northampton County Coroner, Dr. David F. Bachman declared was suicide but which friends and relatives believe was accidental. There were no notes.

Beside her mother and father, who is a colliery electrician, she leaves a brother, Arthur, a student in Trucksville grade school. Pallbearers were: Bruce Robbins, Clyde Robbins, James Oplinger, Floyd Oplinger, Clyde Oplinger, and Fred Carkhuff.

Borough Council to Meet

Monthly meeting of Dallas Borough Council will be held Tuesday night at Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Officials At Last Saturday's Soap Box Derby



Don Johnson and Bobby Rice talk it over with officials before starting the race. Standing left to right, Chief Francis McCarthy, who had charge of keeping the course open; William Clewell, starter; Thomas Shelbourne and Bud Silverman, timers, and Don Finney, president of Trucksville Fire Company, flagman. That fellow in the striped shirt is Donald Johnson who won the admiration of the crowd a few minutes later when he lost a tire in the trial heat but finished the course anyway.

Firemen Award \$1,000 In Prizes At Biggest Fair

S. D. Finney Says Profits Will Total More Than \$2,000

Climax of the most successful summer fair ever held by Trucksville Volunteer Firemen was the awarding Saturday night of \$1,000 worth of merchandise to a dozen happy winners.

Top awards and the winners were: electric refrigerator, Frank Morrison, Davis Street; electric range, Mrs. Walter Billings, Trucksville; electric washer, Mrs. Bernie Wilson, formerly of Shavertown; radio-phonograph combination, William Henninger, Dallas R.F.D. 3; vacuum cleaner, Eve McGuire, Wilkes-Barre; electric roaster, P. L. Holbrook, Harris Hill road, Trucksville; electric mixer, Harter Dairy, Trucksville; electric toaster, Robert Slaff, Mt. Greenwood road; electric iron, J. Hansel, Kingston; electric iron, Lewis Sickler, Wyoming R. F. D. 3.

Special prizes were a golden wool blanket awarded to Doris Bush and a floral designed hooked rug awarded to Mrs. Kenneth Rice. Other prizes included baskets of groceries, chickens, flour, broilmasters, and electric irons.

Winners of the door prizes on Thursday night were: \$20 Mrs. Morris Lloyd; \$15, Richard Parry; \$10, Harry Johnson; \$5, Mrs. Ray Greenwood. On Friday night the winners were: \$20, Donald Johnson; \$15, not announced; \$10, Dr. Jordan; \$5, Betty Lou Griffiths.

Saturday afternoon and evening were as usual, the big day with throngs attending the preliminary and final heats of the first soap box derby ever run in the Back Mountain area.

Crowds lined both sides of Shavertown road, the route of the race, from the Lehigh Valley trestle to Dr. Howell's home and police were busy keeping the course open for the racers. Trials started at 4 o'clock and finals at 7.

There were six entrants in the preliminary trials who finished in the following order: Robert Edwards, Wyoming R. D. 3, driving Silver Streak, time: 1 minute 12 1/2 seconds; Douglas Clewell, Trucksville, driving the D.G.C. Special, time: 1 minute 37 seconds; Bobby Rice, Orchard Farm, driving Silver Arrow, time: 1 minute 41 1/2 seconds; Edward Luzinski, Trucksville, driving Tucker Special, time: 1 minute 54 seconds; Billy Hess, Trucksville Gardens, driving THE Shark, time: 1 minute 54 1/2 seconds; Donald Johnson, Trucksville, driving Green Hornet, time: 2 minutes 14 1/2 seconds.

Only mishap in the race came when Donald Johnson lost a tire. He kept in the race coaxing his machine down the incline crossing the finish line only through superior driving. His pluck brought him a great hand from the crowd.

The four finalists did not finish in the same order as in the preliminary heat, Edward Luzinski nosing up from fourth to second place. The final order: Bobby Edwards, time 1 minute 12 seconds; Edward Luzinski, 1 minute 30 1/2 seconds; Bobby Rice, 1 minute 32 1/4 seconds; Douglas Clewell, 1 minute 38 seconds. First prize was a boy's bicycle given by Howard Isaacs; second, RCA portable radio given by David Schooley; third fluorescent camper's light given by Russell De Remer; fourth, ball and bat given by Trucksville Fire Company. Consolation prizes were \$5 given by Gregory's Store and \$2.50 given by the Fire Company.

Race officials were S. D. Finney, flagman; William Clewell, Howard Woolbert, starters; Thomas Shelbourne and Bud Silverman, timers; Dr. George Flack was chairman and judge. W. E. Mannear was official photographer.

Music throughout the fair was furnished by Alfred Milliner Camp assisted by members of Dallas Township High School Band.

Booths and refreshment stands did a sellout business with more than 54 dozen novelty items being sold at the stands and fish pond.

S. D. Finney general chairman announced early this week that gross income exceeded \$3,600 with an estimated net profit of approximately \$2,000.

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	4
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	
LAKE TOWNSHIP	1	
TOTAL	31	17