

Musicale Draws Varied Talent

St. Paul's Sponsors Program on March 18

Some of the best musical talent of the Back Mountain area have been organized for the second Annual Musicale to be held in Kingston Township High School on Friday night, March 18. The general response and the unexpected success of last year's musicale prompted its sponsors to make this outstanding musical program an annual event.

Organized to encourage a greater interest in music in the Back Mountain communities, the sponsors have been surprised at the amount of talent available in the area, and according to the committee some of the best musicians and vocalists have consented to participate in the 1949 Musicale. This outstanding talent, which is confined to this area, will include residents of Dallas Borough and the townships of Kingston, Dallas, Lehman and Lake.

Selections of classical music from modern composers as well as the old masters will be in the program, including selections from Chopin, Chaminade, Mendelssohn, DeBussey, Kreisler, and Rachmaninoff. Numbers on the program will include group singing, vocal solos, piano, cornet, clarinet, and bell lyre selections.

This Second Annual Musicale is sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Shavertown.

BEAUMONT

Mid-Term Tests were given at school this past week. Please examine your child's report card and feel free to call on the faculty for any discussion on the same.

The school collected \$40.30 for the March of Dimes.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schaw are on the high seas enroute to Germany. Mrs. Schaw was formerly Rachel Downs.

Robert Pilger of Rochester spent the weekend here.

Mrs. Ned Dress is ill at her home. Mr. Jacquish and Miss Stankovich of the Wyoming County Home Extension Service plan a meeting at the High School for men and women Wednesday, February 9th, at 7:30 p.m. Miss Johnston of State College will be present to show slides on nutrition. Miss Stankovich requests a can of home canned food or some clothing she has made from each woman to exhibit same

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for the evening. The public is urged to attend.

Beaumont High dropped a 'tough game to lose' to Tunkhannock last Friday at Tunkhannock by a score of 24-23.

The Gerald Roots have a new Crosley!

Mrs. Louise Nieman was given a "surprise party" last Friday by her students who remembered her birthday.

IDETOWN

Mrs. Frank Wright has returned to her home after spending the last week with her daughter-in-law and son, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wright of Kingston.

Callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sutton on Sunday were Mrs. Edward Dungey, Jr. of Wilkes-Barre, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Andrews of Shavertown, Mrs. James Casterline and James Krieger.

Frank McKenna, son of Mrs. Claire McKenna entered the Navy on Tuesday.

Arthur Dickson of Wilmington, Delaware spent the weekend with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Swan.

Mrs. Cecil Sutton and son Richard returned to their home on Wednesday from the General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Crispell and children Corrine, Judy and Thomas of Monticello, Illinois spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kitchen.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dymond and daughter Linda of Meridan, Conn. spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dymond of West Dallas.

Wesley Hilbert Jr., of Easton spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hilbert. Mrs. Hilbert is recovering from an illness.

The Ruth Bible Class will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Wright on Friday Afternoon.

TRUCKSVILLE

W. J. Robbins Sr. of Staub Road has returned to his home following several weeks illness in Mercy Hospital. His wife is still a patient at General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conklin and sons, Charles Jr., and David of Butztown, Pa., spent the weekend with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Shaver.

Mr. and Mrs. William White and family of White's Ferry spent Sunday with Miss Pauline Besteder.

Mrs. Arnet Albee of Ashley spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. George Shaver.

Mrs. William Shoemaker of Carverton Road is a patient in General Hospital.

Marvin Miller of Carverton road has returned to his home from Nesbitt hospital.

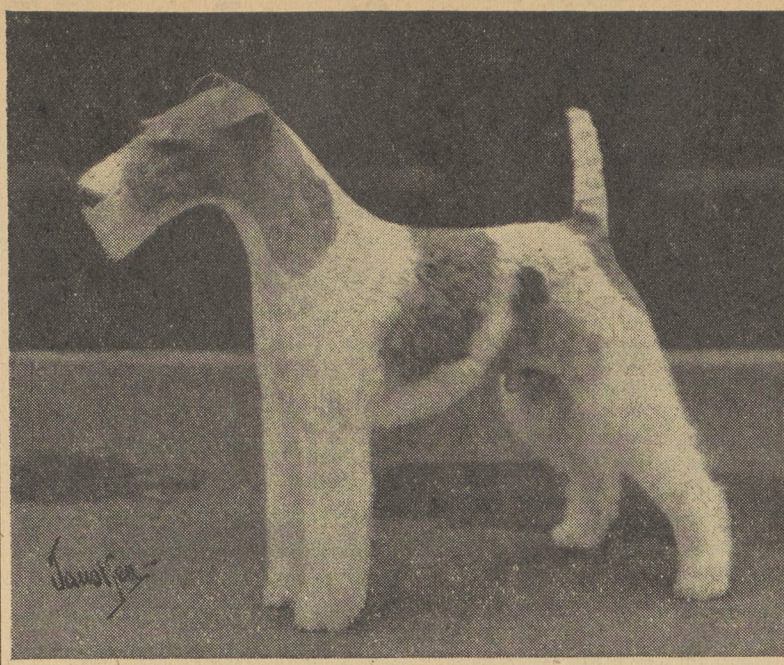
Lady Toby Rebekah Lodge 514 of Trucksville were hosts to the Rebekah Lodges of the Western District of Luzerne County on Wednesday night at the lodge hall. Bingo was played following the meeting and prizes given.

Mrs. George Shaver, Jr. visited her grandmother, Mrs. S. J. Harrison of Kingston on Friday.

Venison Dinner

Harvey's Lake Camp, United Sportsmen, will hold its annual venison dinner Monday evening, January 31, at Herman Kern's Tavern.

The Fox Terrier



When you want constant motion, and alert ready-for-anything companionship, just get one of my relatives. Save for our coats, we look like our cousins the Smooth Terriers. We're small dogs—16 to 18 pounds—so we're popular both here and in our old English home. We used to "go to ground" after foxes and other game, and we still like to hunt. Today, though, our most important work is keeping our masters laughing at our antics.

We're experts at that. There are bigger dogs—but there aren't any better. Ask any of our folks. They'll tell you we've got a strict sense of property and the brains, courage, and ability to back up our loyalty to our loved ones.

Pictured here is Champion R.B.N. of Fenbor, the outstanding wire-haired of the 1947-48 dog show year. Bred by Mrs. H. M. A. Tucker he is now owned by ArFor Kennels, Kansas City, Mo.

In The Interest Of Purebred Dogs

By Margaret McLuckie Cottle

The fox terrier—smooth coated and wire-haired varieties—is the best known and most widely distributed of all purebred dogs. Though now both the smooth and the wire-haired are recognized as one breed, they sprang from vastly different sources, the smooth's principal ancestors being the old smooth coated black and tan and the old fashioned bull terrier, while the wire-haired was bred from the rough coated black and tan working terrier of Wales, Derbyshire, and Dunham.

In the early days wires were liberally crossed with smooths, chiefly to give the wire the predominant white pigmentation, cleaner cut head and the more classical outline of the smooth, and no extended pedigree of a wire will be found without many smooth ancestors. However, this practice has been discontinued for many years. Very few of the early dogs possessed sufficient merit or exhibited enough prepotency to become factors of any importance in the development of the breed they preceded and the present day fox terrier—both smooth and wire—is the product of about 75 years of selective breeding. During this period the "weeds" have pretty well been removed. The good specimens were closely inbred in order to "fix" the attained improvements, and there have been developed such a wire range of good dogs among both wires and smooths that neither needs go outside of the variety to find top quality to which to breed.

Wire Fox Terrier

Wire breeders in the early days were far behind smooth fanciers in trying to breed refinement into

their stock, continuing to select their breeding specimens from those dogs which were most qualified in the field and around the farm, but the delay was offset by two important genetic advantages in time and source. The longer era of breeding wires solely for utility purposes served to fix the virtues of gameness and vitality so that little was lost in the subsequent attention paid to refining the wire. Also the wire breeder had the advantage of being able to stay safely within the fox terrier breed by drawing directly on the already comparatively set type of the smooth for refining qualities. After approximately 1910 it seemed needless to resort to further crosses and thereafter the process was discontinued.

The "Standard of the Breed" is the same for both varieties of the breed except for coat in the wire-haired, "which must be broken. The harder and more wiry the texture of the coat, the better. On no account should the dog look or feel woolly; and there should be no silky hair about the poll or elsewhere. The coat should not be too long so as to give the dog a shaggy appearance but should show a marked and distinct difference all over from the smooth species.

The dog whose picture is used to illustrate this variety is an excellent specimen of the breed "Champion R. B. N. of Fenbor" bred by Mrs. H. M. A. Tucker, shown to his championship by Robert Neff and now owned by ArFor Kennels of Kansas City, Mo. This dog was the outstanding wirehair during the 1947-1948 dog show year and is proving himself in the stud as he has in the show ring.

Merchants Would Like To Know Your Choice Of Store Hours

At a recent meeting of Dallas Business Association, Grace T. Cave, Ord Trumbower and Lawrence Updyke were appointed to make a study of store hours.

During recent years the real shopping day of the week in Dallas has changed from Saturday to Friday, although the actual day is immaterial so far as the merchants are concerned.

The Association realizes that the Back Mountain area is growing and that the stores must grow too; but this cannot be accomplished without cooperation. In anticipation of demand, local merchants are stocking their stores with nationally advertised merchandise to meet customers' needs.

Realizing it is much more convenient for customers to shop within walking distances of their homes and where parking space is available if they drive, the merchants wonder why many ride crowded busses or seek expensive, crowded parking lots in order to buy what they can more conveniently get at home.

Because of this the following questionnaire has been prepared by the Association. The merchants hope their friends and customers will be sufficiently interested to answer the questions and mail the coupon to The Dallas Post or drop it in the boxes set up for that purpose in all Dallas stores.

1. Do you like to shop Friday night?
2. Would you prefer to shop Saturday night?
3. If local stores were open Saturday night would you shop in Dallas in preference to shopping elsewhere?
4. If stores were closed Wednesday afternoon the year around, would you be inconvenienced?
5. Do you buy everything you possibly can in Dallas?
6. If not, give reason?
7. Remarks

SWEET VALLEY

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tworek entertained at dinner Sunday Mrs. Elizabeth Smith.

Mrs. George Matthews and mother, Mrs. Ella Morgan, Elwood Mathews of Wilkes-Barre and Elmer Wolfe of Pike's Creek called on Miss Bess Klinetob on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Callender spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. Nellie Harrison at Huntington Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wesley spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Yetter at Pike's Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hazelett have been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Farver and son, Elton of New Columbus spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. Ira Butten.

Michael Horniak who has been stationed at Fort Warren, Wyoming, is spending a furlough at his home before going overseas. He was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Bronson Monday. Mike was employed at the Bronson store before entering the service.

County Trappers Get Good Bounties

Luzerne County residents who trapped and hunted predators during December received \$748.00 for their efforts from the Game Fund according to the Divisional Headquarters for the nine northeastern counties located at Forty-Fort. Two hundred forty-eight weasels, eighty-three gray fox, thirty-four red fox, and eight great horned owls were probated by the successful hunters and trappers of the county.

This amount is part of the \$33,470 paid out to claimants for the month of December in the entire state. Since June 1st a total of \$81,643 has been paid out of the Fund for claims on 6,231 weasels, 8,016 gray foxes, 9,644 red foxes, 16 goshawks and 1,175 great horned owls. \$2,178.00 of this amount has been returned to trappers and hunters of Luzerne County in this period.

Information regarding bounty claims can be secured from any District Game Protector, Alderman Justice of the Peace or Magistrate. Game Commission officials point out that the fur crop of Pennsylvania annually amounts to nearly two million dollars, a highly prized natural resource.

Store Talk

Two more worthy causes are knocking at your door, this week—"The March of Dimes" and the "Red Cross." The "March of Dimes" brings hope to those on whom the door to health and happiness has been closed forever. When you open your door, remember that the Red Cross takes care of many who don't even have a door left. Surely you'll want to aid both these worthy causes.

Do It Yourself has become a popular saying during these times of rising prices. "Congowall", the miracle linoleum wall covering is applied just that way. There are 13 colors of it in block design. Just the thing for your kitchen or bath rooms. 13c for square foot is what it costs to make your home a palace beautiful.

Prices? With all the present day predictions, no one knows just what will happen in 1949—except that there will be a little change in steel goods and machinery. We offer you better prices from the advantage of quantity buying in many cases, but in general we'll have to grin and bear it while labor rules the roost.

Frigidaire Ranges for 1949 have the zippy look you want plus all the high speed and convenience features possible to incorporate. Frigidaire quality hasn't changed. See it and you'll buy it.

Hay choppers available now! By a surprise purchase we can offer a small number of "Dellinger" machines now. This machine is well made and has many desirable features. Take a look on your next visit.

Flash! A carload of Tractor drawn manure spreaders just arrived at the warehouse. Buzz 50-50 if you want to get rid of a tough job.

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Babson Thinks Utilities Safe Stocks to Hold

New York City, Jan. 6—During the past few days I asked many investment bankers: "In view of the business and market uncertainties, what are the safest stocks to hold?" The general answer was that the stocks of the operating utility companies offer the best combination of safety and income.

OUTLOOK FOR BUSINESS

Total kilowatt hour output of the utilities will decline with general business, but this decline will be from industrial customers. As many electric companies are now short of generating capacity, and cannot take on many new residential customers, this could be a blessing in disguise. Residential customers are much more profitable than large industrial customers. Therefore, by switching customers, the total output could decline without a decline in profits.

Electric companies have very few labor troubles. In the case of water power companies, the labor expense is only 20% compared with 80% in the printing industry. The labor expense for the entire electrical industry is low, equalled only by the chemical industry. Therefore, it has little to fear from the much-talked-of "fourth round" of wage increases.

OPERATING EXPENSES

The electrical industry is a large purchaser of supplies including millions of miles of copper wire, millions of poles, arms, and insulators, thousands of trucks, as well as great quantities of coal, oil and natural gas. Although there may be some further price increases on some of these products, yet the corner has turned downward on the average. This should benefit the utilities so long as we avoid war with Russia or the Chinese Communists.

The only "nigger in the woodpile" is the attitude of utility commissions regarding rates. Many utility companies are in need of higher rates, especially street railway and bus companies which have large labor expense. As, however, these rate-making bodies clearly understand that to take care of their customers the utilities must have more capital, and in order to raise more capital must give investors a reasonable dividend, they should gladly grant these needed rate increases.

INFLATION HEDGES

Utilities of operating companies can be recommended for safety and for income, but they should not be selected as hedges against inflation. If considering only the cost of replacement, stocks of utility operating companies should be worth double what they were ten years ago provided they cannot be caught by the "Depreciation Formula". The fact, however, that utilities are not free to raise their rates without special permission, is a distinct handicap. Hence, for inflation hedges it is better to buy steel or merchandising stocks. A live merchant can always keep one jump ahead of inflation.

It is wise to confine one's purchase of electric company stocks to the territory in which you live. You, yourself, should know the attitude of your local authorities on this rate-making problem; it is reflected by your local newspapers. If you believe that your public service commission is fair, then buy the stock of the company supplying your home with electricity; but not otherwise.

IMPORTANCE OF DIVERSIFICATION

Of course, you should not put all of your eggs in any one basket, however good that basket may be. This means that one should not have more than 20% of his funds in public utilities, and not more

than 5% in any one company. An investor should have his funds divided amongst different industries, different companies and different sections. As a final thought, I urge you to avoid utilities in big cities that might be bombed in case of World War III.

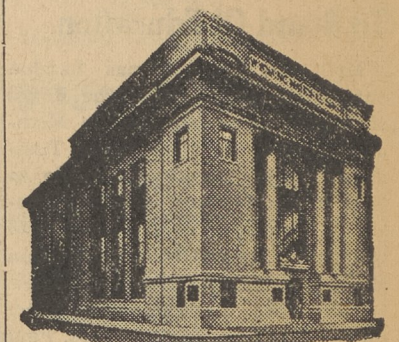
Tax Load Is Almost Ten Times Heavier

Special to The Dallas Post

Harrisburg, January 20—(PNS)—Luzerne County taxpayers—on the basis of population, buying income and taxable payrolls—will be paying approximately \$125,831,000 of the proposed 1950 Federal budget of nearly \$42 billion, according to the Pennsylvania State Chamber of Commerce which said this is 9.6 times greater than the total local taxes of the county levied in 1946.

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