

Think It Over

"The government," says U. S. News and World Report, "has become the biggest source of income in the country. In the single year to end next June 30, the Treasury will spend an estimated \$46,000,000,000 in cold cash. This means that \$1 out of every \$6 spent in the United States will be spent by the government."

The biggest item in the budget—\$17,300,000,000—is accounted for by benefits and subsidies of many diverse kinds. Nearly half of that amount—\$8,300,000,000—will go to veterans and is one of the payments we are making because of past wars. Then farmers will come in for something over \$2,000,000,000 in direct payments and government crop loans and price supports.

Item number two—\$10,200,000,000—will go for salaries. It will go to 3,700,000,000 people, the number of civilians and military personnel now on the federal payroll. As the U. S. News points out, this does not include those who work indirectly for government, such as the men and women employed in plants producing materials for federal agencies.

Third is a \$10,000,000,000 item for goods. This includes an enormous number of items, running all the way from airplanes and tanks to paper and ink.

Interest on the public debt will require the sum of \$4,100,000,000. That will be a cash payment, and does not include the interest accruing on war bonds and saving bonds.

Services, such as printing, rent and utility bills, will cost the taxpayers \$2,400,000,000. And something like \$2,000,000,000 will be used for loans and investments.

The above items cover the major expenses of the government. Perhaps the most striking fact is the great increase in the number of individuals who now live off the Federal Treasury. To quote U. S. News again, "Ten years ago, when the New Deal was pouring out billions for direct and work relief, fewer than 20,000,000 persons were getting checks from public agencies. In the period that has followed, the make-work programs of government have disappeared. Prosperity has taken over. Personal incomes trebled. Yet . . . persons living on public dollars, in whole or in part, jumped 29 per cent."

The implications of this can be argued indefinitely. But it indicates the reasons for the uneasiness of those who wonder how much more government the country can stand.

FROM

PILLAR TO POST

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

Last summer canned apple-sauce practically disappeared from the local market. This year there is a surplus of apples, with apples raked into neat piles under the leafless trees to rot for humus. It does seem as if somebody with a mathematical mind ought to put two and two together.

It is a national disgrace to allow good food to go to waste. The fact that food is allowed to rot in the fields and orchards when there are plenty of people who could use it, is an indictment against common sense and probably antiquated methods of distribution and consumption. There is an answer somewhere, and it does not lie in letting George do it or in dumping the surplus on the government, which being translated means everybody in the tax-paying brackets.

In the case of apples, there is the solution of canned apple-sauce. There is a constantly growing demand for this, with baby-food manufacturers way out in the lead. Baby-food apple-sauce is just plain apple-sauce packed in bite-size cans and bringing three times as much revenue as if packed in family size tins. The smaller the can, the larger the price. Label anything "baby", and you have a market. Folks cheerfully pay an inflated price for tasteful glass which they could easily stew up on the kitchen stove and run through a Foley Mill or a strainer, but such is the nature of the buying public.

Out in Seattle, when the Wenatchee Valley Orchards promise too large a crop for ordinary marketing, the surplus frequently goes into dried apples as well as apple-sauce. Wenatchee apples, dried, are not as good as Pennsylvania apples dried, for the original product, though long on looks and glossy perfection, is short on flavor.

Why doesn't somebody hereabouts start dehydrating apples? Dried apples bring a good price in pound bags. The demand could easily be boosted by a campaign to popularize small cellophane bags for the snack trade. Dried apples satisfy the yen for candy, and have the advantage of being neither fattening nor sticky to handle. Dried in small enough slices, they would not produce digestive complications in the young even if swallowed whole.

Everybody over fifty remembers the strings of dried apples that once festooned the attic rafters. There were several apple-bearing attics in my childhood. Uncle Frank's attic yielded not only dried apples in quantity, but dried beef which could be whittled off with a jackknife. The combination induced a thirst to end thirsts, and the end result was usually a stomach ache, with both dried apples and dried beef swelling according to the laws of physics.

Goodness knows how many bushels of apples went into those lavish strings or how many woman and child-hours they represented, each slice patiently attached to its

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Board Appoints New Cafeteria Staff of Four

Kingston Township To Start Serving Lunches November 28

In preparation for the opening of its new high school cafeteria and dining room on Monday, November 28, Kingston Township School Board at a special meeting Tuesday night appointed the cafeteria staff.

Morris King, a graduate of the Army Cooks' and Bakers' School during World War 1, will be chef. A resident of Kingston Township, Mr. King has had years of experience as a cook for Girl and Boy Scout Camps, Health Camps and for the tobacco camps in Connecticut.

Assisting him will be Mrs. Elizabeth Billings of Trucksville, Mrs. Billings is the mother of two children and is a war widow. Another assistant will be Mrs. Dorothy Culver, also of Kingston Township, mother of three and a war widow. Mrs. Bess Grant, whose son is in the Navy, was appointed as a substitute.

All will take health and physical examinations before assuming their duties on Monday. It is expected to take a week to get equipment in order and stocks arranged before starting regular cafeteria service the following Monday.

Miss Anna Mae Pagniat, head of the Home Economics Department, will be cafeteria director and arrange the menus.

About 300 high school students will be served luncheons daily for 15c per meal. Faculty members will pay 25c because no government subsidy applies to their meals.

About 150 students can be seated in the dining room at a time so that senior high school students will be served at one seating and junior high school students at another.

Eventually Serve Grades

The Board hopes that by next year arrangements can be made so that students in both Shavertown and Trucksville grade schools can be served hot lunches.

By that time it is hoped that Jackson Township and Lehman Township will have progressed far enough on their joint district so that Jackson Township students will be attending school in Lehman. This will permit the use of one room for a dining room in each of the Kingston Township grade buildings. Food can then be transported to these buildings by truck in special containers from the main kitchen in the high school building.

This kitchen is now set up with ample facilities to take care of the grade schools. Its 40-cubic foot refrigerator and automatic dish washing machine with a capacity of 500 lunches an hour were obtained three years ago from the government at no cost to the district.

The Board has announced that the Cafeteria, Dining Room, new Home Economics department and new Commercial department will be open for inspection on Friday afternoon.

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Cracks Neck In Accident

Al Gould Wears Plaster Cast

Albert Gould, who sustained a cracked body in the third vertebra at the base of the neck in a football accident on October fourth is well on the way to recovery.

All ten or twelve other young men were playing touch football in a vacant lot on Machell Avenue. One of the boys fumbled and as Al fell on the ball several of the players piled on top. His neck was bent and Gould says he felt and heard the snap. However, he got in his car and drove himself home.

Later he appeared in Dr. Mascall's office. After an examination the doctor sent him to Nesbitt Hospital where his neck was set in a plaster cast which Al still wears. Although suffering no pain or loss of sleep, he is looking forward to getting rid of his uncomfortable high, stiff collar. It should be removed within the next month.

Al served five years in the Army Air Force and was in Italy as a mechanic when the war ended. During his service years Al played many football games with his Army buddies at tackle without receiving any more serious injury than the customary bruises.

At the time of the accident, Gould was on his way home from work. He is employed by contractor Bud LeGrand.

Parent-Teacher Officials To Conduct School of Instruction

National Parent-Teacher Association for the Sixth District of Pennsylvania will hold an all-day school of instruction for officers and members of Parent-Teacher Associations on Wednesday, November 30, at Dallas Borough High School.

It will be the first time that anything of this size and scope has been held in the Back Mountain Area. Members of Associations from Luzerne and Wyoming counties have been invited to attend.

The program, starting at 10 a.m. and concluding at 3:15 p.m., will be in charge of Mrs. Arthur Hughes, of Moscow, president of the Sixth District, and will include talks by several outstanding leaders in Parent-Teacher work.

Address of welcome will be by Mrs. Charles James, followed by a talk on procedures by Mrs. Hughes. A model meeting will be conducted by Mrs. Hughes.

Dallas and Kingston Township Teams Prepare For Final Tilt

Both Dallas Township and Kingston Township lost last weekend to superior Luzerne County Conference teams. Kingston Township bowed 27-7 Saturday afternoon to the second place Wyoming eleven while Dallas Township went down in defeat 35-18 Thursday night before the fourth place Forty Fort Flyers.

Both teams will be idle this weekend in preparation for the season's biggest tilt—the annual Turkey Day Classic. For the first time in many years Dallas Township goes into the Thanksgiving Day contest as a definite favorite. But past records and odds mean nothing in a game like this for with both teams keyed up anything can happen and usually does.

Last year an underdog Dallas Township eleven held Kingston Township in check for three periods before bowing 14-0 in the last quarter. Left end, Bill Morgan's touchdown pass to right end Dick Handley, followed shortly afterward by another six-pointer on McAvoy's plunge which was set up by the interception of a Dallas Township desperation pass, became the deciding plays in an otherwise evenly matched encounter.

On the basis of comparative scores against mutual opponents, Kingston Township rates better with Forty Fort and West Pittston while Dallas Township has the edge on the Lehman and Tunkhannock games. As host, the Orange and Black from Kingston Township will be set to perform before a large crowd in search of its first victory of the year, while Dallas Township will be looking for its third victory for it has top-sided wins over Avoca and Dupont to its credit. Internal dissension on the Dallas Township squad has prevented

Forty Women Discuss Current Best Sellers At Book Club Meeting

Forty members of the Back Mountain Library Book Club met at the Library Wednesday afternoon for tea and an informal discussion of current best sellers. Seven new members were accepted: Mrs. F. W. Reinfurt, Mrs. Melvin Sweeney, Mrs. George Keller, Mrs. W. F. Newberry, Mrs. Clarence Woodruff and B. B. Lewis.

There was a lively discussion of "Rage to Live" by John O'Hara. Some held that such books should be barred from the library while others thought it would be difficult to invoke any form of censorship. The book, however, will not be on the shelves for some months because there are so many reservations for it.

Plans were discussed for erecting a Christmas tree. Folks visiting the library between now and December 12 are asked to bring Christmas ornaments. Any one wishing to donate the tree should

Lehman Instructor's Father Is Killed In Mine Accident

Student, faculty and athletic representatives of Lehman High School attended the funeral in Edwardsville Wednesday afternoon of William J. Martin, 55, father of Robert Martin, assistant coach and faculty manager of Lehman schools.

Mr. Martin, a mine foreman, lost his life last Saturday afternoon at Woodward Colliery, when he walked into a chamber just as six dynamite charges were set off. The men employed in the section were unaware that Mr. Martin was in the section. He was an expert mining man and had been

employed by Glen Alden for more than forty years. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Bethesda Congregational Church, Jr. O.U.A.M. and Woodward Hill Fire Company. Beside his wife, the former Ann Phillips of Plymouth, he leaves his son, Robert, one grandchild and a sister, Ruth Martin, Wilkes-Barre. Lester B. Squier, supervising principal; Anthony Marchakitus, coach, and Arthur Nuss, Letterman's Club were official representatives of the school.

Legion's Club License Is Still Held Up

Control Board Will Await Decision of Superior Court

Although Judge Frank L. Pinola reversed the Liquor Control Board and ordered a club liquor license granted to Daddow-Isaacs Post American Legion for use in its proposed new home at Castle Inn, the Board this week refused to grant the license when representatives of the Legion appeared in Harrisburg for it.

The Board has refused to take any action on the license until the State Superior Court finally decides whether private clubs are within the liquor quota law.

The lower courts have been disagreeing among themselves for ten years over interpretation of the 1939 Liquor Control Act.

This week the Court heard arguments on an appeal of the Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company of Bethlehem from a Lehigh County Court decision upholding the Liquor Control Board's refusal to grant a club license because the quota of one license for each 1,000 people has been exceeded.

The Court's decision is expected to settle the fate of a club license for Daddow-Isaacs Post as well as for other clubs throughout the State. Liquor Dealers' Associations throughout the State have thrown their weight behind the Liquor Control Board in an effort to have definite limits placed on the issuance of club licenses.

In the meantime Daddow-Isaacs Post will bide its time until the Court decision before it exercises its option on Castle Inn, and John Panco, owner will continue to operate his business under his own license serving steak, chicken and seafood dinners as well as alcoholic beverages.

PTA Will Hear Four Speakers

Mrs. Nunlist Will Give Parents' Views

November meeting of Dallas-Franklin Township Parent-Teacher Association will be held Monday evening at 8:15.

Teachers will meet parents to discuss report cards from 7:45 until 8:10.

There are a number of important reports to be presented by the committee chairmen. The program committee will present a timely and interesting discussion. A committee of teachers will discuss "What the teacher expects of the home". A parent, Mrs. Marshall Nunlist, will give the viewpoint of the parent on "what the parent expects of the teacher and school".

Raymond Kuhnert, supervising principal, will talk on "What the principal expects of the teacher, parents and school". Floyd Chamberlain will present "What the school board expects of the teacher and parents". Refreshments will be served.

Buys Registered Jersey

Fred Risch, Orange, has purchased a registered Jersey, Honorable Buttercup, from the Wayne C. Ervine herd, Montrose.

Board Meeting

Executive Board of Dallas Junior Woman's Club will meet Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Ralph Garris.

PLENTY OF TURKEY AND TRIMMINGS FOR LEHMAN TWP. STUDENTS

Lester B. Squier, supervising principal of Lehman Schools believes some of his students' eyes are bigger than their stomachs—especially those who have bought two lunch tickets at 15c each, for the big Thanksgiving Dinner that will be served in the school cafeteria next Wednesday noon.

And here's the reason. On that day the cafeteria will serve cranberry sauce, roast Back Mountain Turkey with Lehman dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, ice cream and beverage. Portions will be extra large because the cafeteria director has purchased seventy-five pounds of turkey more than used last year.

New Committee Refuses To Discuss Zoning

Goeringer Heads Group Opposed To Any Restrictions

Dallas Township's new committee on zoning which was appointed to help work out an ordinance that would be satisfactory to everybody, refused last Thursday night to discuss anything with the original zoning board.

Although Charles Cella, representative of Fell's Chair for Local and State Government of the University of Pennsylvania, had come here from Philadelphia for the meeting, he and Clarence Laidler, chairman of the original board, were told there was nothing to discuss.

Mr. Cella and his group were employed some months ago by the supervisors to make surveys of the township and recommendations for a zoning ordinance. The cost of Mr. Cella's trip from Philadelphia will be borne by Dallas Township.

A representative of the new committee stated that his group had not had an opportunity to meet and was not prepared to discuss zoning with the old board.

At the town meeting held on October 25, recommendations of the original board for a zoning ordinance were voted down after remarks from the floor by Atty. Arthur James and Harry Goeringer, real estate man.

On motion of Mr. Goeringer, the Supervisors were empowered to table all of the work done by the old board and its technical advisers and appoint a new committee to work along some other line of approach.

This motion had the effect of dissolving the old zoning commission composed of Mr. Laidler, Walter Elston, Paul Warriner, Charles Lee and Arch Brooks. On the surface it would also appear to discard the work done by Mr. Cella and the Institute of Local and State Government at considerable expense to the township.

Members of the newly appointed committee, two of whom are not residents of the township, are: Harry Goeringer, chairman; L. A. McHenry, Clarence Myers, Harry Martin and Ted Wilson.

From citizens of the township not officially involved, it is learned that the antagonism between the two groups springs from entirely different viewpoints on zoning.

The original group favors some form of protection for the old timers and property owners while the second group is inclined toward no restrictions.

Lee Ohlman Injures Ear

Horse Steps On Him As He Falls

Lee Ohlman, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ohlman, Machell avenue sustained a serious injury last Thursday afternoon when he fell from a horse near his home.

Lee was being given a ride by Billy DeReemer, on a horse rented from Jerry Machell's riding stable when he lost a stirrup. Leaning over to reset his foot, Lee lost his balance and falling, was struck by the horse's hoof.

The boy was taken to Dr. Mascall's office for immediate treatment. The jagged tear in Lee's ear, cut from the thick part of the lobe up to almost the top, necessitated eight stitches.

There are no indications of complications, and the young horseman is expected to be out in a short time.

CROP Campaign Gets Under Way

Wesley Lewis, Chairman of the Luzerne County CROP committee, which means Christian Rural Overseas Program, for the relief of Catholics, Protestants and Hebrews in Europe, has announced that the campaign will continue until November 25.

This program is the first of its kind where Protestants, Catholics and Hebrews have gotten together on a relief program. In most parts of the country there will be a solicitation of rural folks asking them to contribute, and this may be allocated to whatever disbursing agency the donor wishes. This program is national in its scope and is well organized throughout Pennsylvania.

Most of the rural ministers are cooperating with CROP by making announcements and some of them are assisting by appointing committees for the solicitations.