

Editorially Speaking:

Quack Medicine

The New York World-Telegram and Sun recently ran an editorial on President Truman's suggestion to Congress that small business is in need of help.

The newspaper said, "Mr. Truman's message, however, does not go into the reasons why the 'traditional sources' of venture capital for small business have dried up.

"The chief of those reasons is excessive government taxes, collected by a system which gives people who might invest in small business enterprises compelling reason to fear that the possible gain is not worth the risk of loss.

"More useful than any of the President's five points, or all of them, would be determined action to cut down government waste and extravagance, stop squandering so much of the people's money, reform the tax system and take less capital away from private enterprise, small and large, through taxation and borrowing."

Venture capital is just what the name implies. It is the money that goes into new businesses, most of which begin in a small way. The investor knows that he is taking a risk of losing all or most of it.

This is a much more serious matter for the new than for the old business. The latter is established. It has its markets. It has capital and credit.

In the same issue of the World-Telegram, Dave Boone, a paragraph writer, said, "The government, which makes it tough for anybody to run a business today, now proposes loans of millions to folks who want to go into business."

FROM

PILLAR TO POST

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

Everybody in the community seems to be getting behind the Library Auction in a big way. Solicitors have been greeted with a welcome on the mat, and up to date there have been no refusals.

The library itself will be closed for July 7 and 8, so that all attention may focus upon the Barnyard and the auctioneer.

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In case anybody is wondering where those sleds came from, they were brought to Kingston five years ago in answer to an ad in the Trading Post for sleds for two small boys.

Five years ago sleds were practically unobtainable. The two little boys don't live here any more, so there is a surplus of sleds.

People are slipping their geraniums like mad, and potting small perennials for the Plant and Produce stand. Good cooks in the community are hunting through their files for special recipes for cakes for the Baked Goods Booth.

If our mud-room is any sample, folks who have been wallowing in spring house-cleaning have been laying aside small items for the auction. There is a huge corrugated box atop the porcelain table, holding practically everything but the kitchen stove, and if we run out of bottled gas before the auction, we'll include the stove.

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Peterson Heads Underwriters

Dallas Man Honored At Hershey Meeting

A Dallas man, Henry W. Peterson, special agent of the Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company with offices in Wilkes-Barre, has been elected president of the Underwriters Association of the Middle District.

Mr. Peterson was elected at the annual meeting of the Association held last Thursday at Hotel Hershey, Hershey, Pa. More than 100 members of the Association attended the meeting which was devoted during the morning to a business session; in the afternoon to a trip through the Hershey plants and in the evening to the annual dinner, at which Mr. Peterson served as toastmaster.

He entered the insurance field immediately after his graduation from Brown University where his daughter, Ann, is now a student.

Post Produces Sixth Yearbook

Seminary Annual Won Top Honors In 1949

Wyoming Seminary's big 176-page yearbook rolled off the Dallas Post presses this week and was distributed on the Seminary campus Wednesday afternoon.

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Table with 2 columns: Hospitalized, Killed. Rows include DALLAS, LEHMAN, KINGSTON TOWNSHIP, JACKSON TOWNSHIP, MONROE TOWNSHIP, ROSS TOWNSHIP, LAKE TOWNSHIP, FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, TOTAL.

TWO OPPORTUNITY DAYS NEXT WEEK

Kingston Township High School Graduating Class



First row, left to right: Harold Clyde William Birth, Robert James Richards, J. Bruce Cleasby, Myrtle Anne Pascoe, Lois Mae Lamoreaux, Delphine Rachel Rees, Margaret Ann Webster, Beverly Ann Atwell, Shirley Mae Johnson, Harriet Jean Williams, Bernice Mae Kritzerger, Anabel Biggs, Isaac Samuel Whispell Jr., John Stuart Cottle, Carl Granville Henning.

All Dallas Merchants Join To Offer Outstanding Values

Samples, Novelties, 25 Valuable Prizes To Be Given Away During Two-Day Event

Hundreds of housewives and shoppers who trade in Dallas will benefit during Opportunity Days next Friday and Saturday when Dallas merchants will feature special prices, have attractively arranged displays of new merchandise and give away more than twenty-five valuable prizes in order to make Back Mountain folk more conscious of the growing importance of Dallas as a shopping center.

24 Years Service



MISS BELLE RUCKEL

Retired Teacher Tendered Dinner

Miss Belle Ruckel Honored By Lehman

Belle Ruckel, retiring after 24 years on the Lehman faculty, was honored at a dinner at Irem Country Club Tuesday night at which every member of the staff at Lehman-Jackson was present, in addition to members of the school board.

Miss Ruckel is not abandoning the teaching profession but will continue to employ her talents in tutoring.

Presentation of a table lamp by members of the faculty was the high light of the evening. Master of Ceremonies was Anthony Marchakitus, president of Lehman Educational Association.

Russell Ruble, head of vocational agriculture gave the invocation, Mrs. Mildred Weidner spoke for the elementary teachers, Lester Squier for the school as a whole, taking as his theme the building of a personal monument during a lifetime of service and helpfulness.

Iris used for tables decorations, a huge bouquet, was presented to Miss Ruckel at the conclusion of the dinner.

Committee for dinner and arrangements comprised: Mrs. Alice Elston, Miss Hannah Culp, Mrs. Ella B. Lewis, Miss Ruth Shelhammer, Miss Estella O'Donnell.

Present were: Guest of honor, Miss Belle Ruckel, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Squier, Mr. and Mrs. William Keil, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Searfoss, Dr. and Mrs. Harry Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ide, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nuss, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ruggles, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shouldice, Miss Jule Bartley, Gerald Hoover, Lillian Burgess, Frances Austin, Hanna Culp, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Garrity, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lewis, Willard Lloyd, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Major, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Marchakitus, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Martin, Miss Dorothy Mattes, Mrs. Frances Perrogo, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Ruble, Frank Scott, Miss Ruth Shelhammer, Edwin Stolarick, W. Snyder, Mrs. Mildred Weidner, Miss Marjorie Downing, Mrs. Ruth Simms, Mrs. Frances Culp, Mrs. Glendoris Shelsanski, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howell, Anna Havrilla, John Sudimak.

Rev. Francis Freeman, pastor of Dallas Methodist Church from 1933 to 1941 and Mrs. Freeman escaped with slight injuries in a truck-car accident near Binghamton this week.

Rev. and Mrs. Freeman were taken to Wilson Memorial Hospital for a check-up, and were released after Mrs. Freeman's bruised knee and ankle cap were dressed.

Rev. Freeman is pastor of Sara Jane Memorial Methodist Church, Johnson City.

Medical Veterans of Luzerne County will hold their annual spring dinner at the Kingston House, Kingston, Wednesday, June 14, 9 p.m.

Win Awards At Lehman-Jackson Commencement

Monday night marked the first commencement of the Lehman-Jackson Joint School, the fortieth for Lehman Township. Addresses were given by four graduating seniors; Donald Gross, Valedictorian; Robert Hontz; Andrew Harrison; and Donald Britt, speaking on aspects of "Three Pillars of Success", home, church, and school.

Highlighting the graduation was presentation of special awards to Madeline Havrilla, Donald Gross, Fred Disque, and Carl Rood. Madeline Havrilla, daughter of Mrs. Joseph Havrilla, Trucksville R. D. received the Julius Long Stern award, a gold wrist watch, for Vocational Home-Making, Madeline, a vocational home-making student for the past three years, has been active in student affairs.

Donald Gross, son of George Gross, Ross Township, won the Charles Long F. F. A. Award, a gold watch for outstanding achievement in vocational agriculture. He won the State Project contest this past year, has been given the Reader's Digest award, and the Danforth Foundation award. And he is class Valedictorian. Gross lives on a ninety-acre farm, and plans to farm at home.

Fred Disque, son of Mrs. Phillip Disque, Hunlock Creek, wins the American Agriculturalist award for outstanding achievement and leadership in Vocational Agriculture. He is president of Future Farmers of America, Luzerne, Lackawanna County Area, treasurer of Blue Ridge F. F. A. He has had supervision of visual equipment at Lehman school.

Carl Rood, son of Carl Rood Sr., Sweet Valley, a senior in vocational agriculture, was a close runner-up for the Charles Long F. F. A. award. He received an engraved plaque through the courtesy of Mr. Long. He won the State project contest in wholesale truck gardening this past year.

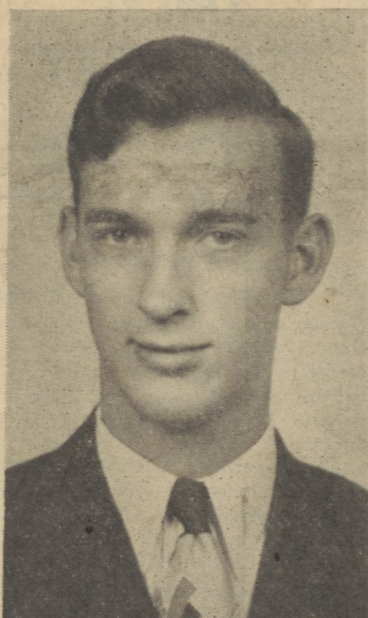
Ruth Katchmar won a leadership award, Arthur Nuss received the Letterman's award, Robert Hontz, the academic key Danforth Foundation. Awards for leadership went to Carl Wagner and Donald Gross.

Kiefer Accepts Position With American Weekly

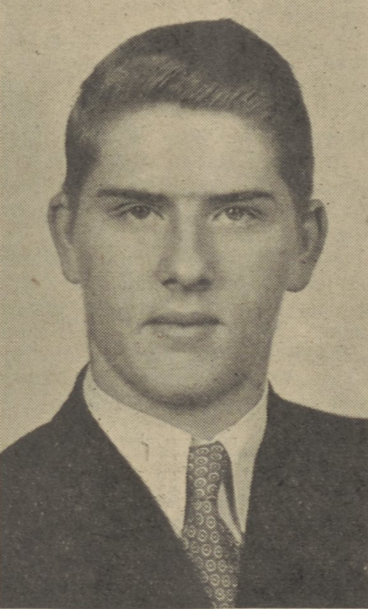
Fred M. Kiefer, Shrine View, has been appointed to an executive position with the Trade Expansion Division of the American Weekly in New York City. The American Weekly is the largest advertising medium in the world appearing in all Hearst Sunday papers and many others.

Mrs. Kiefer and the children will continue to reside permanently at Shrine View.

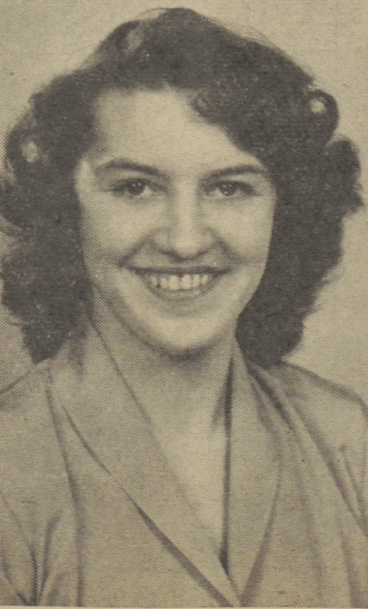
Award Winners



CARL ROOD



DONALD GROSS



MADELINE HAVRILLA

Twenty-One Get Their Diplomas

Priscilla Cooper Heads Dallas Class

Dr. Ralph W. Decker, president of Wyoming Seminary, was the speaker at the Commencement exercises of Dallas Borough School on Tuesday night.

Three seniors speaking on the general theme: The Challenge of the Mid-Century were: Priscilla Cooper, valedictorian, "Winning our Rights"; Elizabeth Berrettini, "Problems Facing Us"; and Patricia Patsey, "Our Acceptance of Duties."

Rev. Frederick Reinfurt gave the invocation and benediction. Supervising principal Charles A. James presented the class and Harry L. Ohlman, president of the Board, presented diplomas.

There were twenty-one in the class. High honor students were: Priscilla Cooper, Patricia Patsey, Elizabeth Berrettini, Mavreen Kelly, Elizabeth McQuilkin, and Carol Monast.

MacVeigh To Head "Y" Fund Campaign

Joseph MacVeigh has accepted the chairmanship of the general committee which will shortly conduct a financial campaign for the Back Mountain Town and Country Y.M.C.A. according to Lewis LeGrand Sr., chairman of the Back Mountain "Y" management. Exact dates have not yet been set for the Drive but each Borough and Township is making needed preparations for the event. Personnel of the committee will be announced next week. The "Y" Board will hold its regular meeting Monday night at 8 at Back Mountain Memorial Library.

Mrs. Thompson's Father Buried

Fred M. Myers, 80, foster father of Mrs. Nelson Thompson, Dallas, died Tuesday morning at his home, 358 Wright Avenue, Kingston after a lingering illness. For the past five and a half months he had been nursed by his granddaughter, Cora Steele.

Born in Kingston in 1870, Mr. Myers was a graduate of Wyoming Seminary and Syracuse University where he took architecture.

His family formerly owned large acreage in the vicinity of the old Dallas Fair Grounds and the Sandy Beach section of Harveys Lake.

The funeral was held Thursday at 2 with Rev. Charles W. Phillips officiating.

To Vote on Consolidation

By action of Noxen School Board at its meeting Wednesday night a referendum vote will be held in Noxen Township late in July or early August to determine whether citizens approve consolidation of Noxen Township High School with Lake Township.