

DALLAS	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS TOWNSHIP	10	13
LEHMAN	1	1
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	42	5
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	2	1
MONROE TOWNSHIP	2	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	12	1
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	2	2
TOTAL	76	26

THE DALLAS POST

Editorially Speaking: **This Is What The People Think**

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Everyone knows what our military and political leaders think about the war crisis. Or, at least, we know the endless statements, ranging from the reassuring to the grimly pessimistic, which they have issued for public consumption. But no one knows what the voters—the people who, sooner or later, determine the policies of this country—are thinking.

Holmes Alexander, Washington columnist, recently decided to do something about this lack of information. He made a "shoe-leather survey" which consisted of interviewing a number of senators and finding out what their constituents were writing about. He learned that six widely-held ideas are now dominant in the voluminous senatorial mail. Briefly summed up, here they are:

1. Acheson must be dismissed—even if that can be achieved only by the impeachment of the President.
2. We must pull out of Korea completely and stop useless sacrifice. Apparently the opinion, expressed by some top military men, to the effect that it is feasible to hold defense lines in South Korea has met with little public acceptance.
3. There is a strong lack of confidence in the Truman Administration. Mr. Alexander cites this as a typical message: "I am proud of my country, and of my boy in the navy, but not proud of the men who represent us in Washington. . . . We are desperately in need of statesmanship."
4. The United Nations must be either strengthened or abandoned. Here Mr. Alexander prints the following comment as typical: "This UN stuff is so much foolishness as long as we let any iron curtain country foul it up. . . . Are getting only token help from UN members while Asiatic hordes massacre our boys."
5. Russia, not China or North Korea, is our real enemy, and if there must be war it should be directed with full vigor against the Soviet Union.
6. We should mobilize to the hilt at once. And the A-bomb should be used if it will help our troops in Korea.

Various other views of great significance were found in the letters Mr. Alexander read. For one thing, not a single letter expressed actual terror at the thought of another war and the possibility of A-bombs being used against us. War, the tenor of feeling ran, is better than attempted appeasement of aggressors. Then Mr. Alexander wrote, "What we have here, all told, is a situation of total confusion. . . . The administration is in the position of a government which has fallen from popular esteem, but it must remain in office for more than two years to come. The letters quoted. . . . Could not go through the mail except in a country that valued its freedom. But the great Federal establishment which guarantees all our freedoms is bogged down with lame ducks in Congress, in the White House and in the cabinet."

Mr. Alexander's sampling is in accord with a view expressed by many newspapers, many commentators, and a few leading public figures—namely, that the people are ahead of their government in their thinking; that the people are perfectly willing to face the facts, and don't need to be fed vague, equivocal and essentially meaningless oratory by their leaders, and that the people will rise to this crisis, bitter as it may be, as they have risen to all others.

FROM PILLAR TO POST

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

The landscape looks like a Christmas card again, with birch trees penciling blue shadows across the drifted snow and hemlocks laden with white. We needed a blanket of snow to keep the rosebushes and strawberry plants from heaving, and to replenish the water table, lowered by steady encroachment of city upon country, felling of trees, and robbing of the soil with consequent erosion and heavy run-off.

An open winter may be easy on the fuel bills, but it is hard on the land. There is always that backlash of cold weather when spring should be with us, to compensate for the prolonged January thaw and the unseasonable warmth of Groundhog Day. Annual temperature has to equalize itself, and it is a happy arrangement all around when the cold weather comes at a time when it is due instead of after the crocus buds are opening. Chances are, if we get enough snow this winter, the grass will come out from under it in March as green as an emerald, instead of being seared from the roots as it was last spring.

This seven-inch snowfall is a vast improvement over the soiled slush along the edges of the roads last week, and a break for the small fry who got sleds for Christmas as well as for the adults who pant for good skiing weather.

Ho-hum, that discharges our obligations to the weather.

The other day Howard, muffled to the ears and beating his fingertips, enlarged upon the joys of walking to work in the morning, now that the staff transportation has enlisted in the Air Force. He said walking was healthy, and the nearer zero the weather, the less likelihood there was of being being any virulent bugs floating in the frigid air.

He said that longevity depended largely upon sufficient exercise in an Arctic temperature and that he envied us our mile hike, fore an aft.

This, we felt, was stretching it a trifle, crowding the mourners, gilding the lily, or what have you.

We emitted a Bronx cheer and advised him to find another swine before which to cast that particular pearl.

We said we liked winter fine. We liked it from a snug berth in front of the fireplace where we could get a view of the mercury crawling down into its bulb outside the window. We liked it when frost ferns formed on the inside

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Eipper Berates Those Who Want Joint Schools

Thinks Township Is Competent To Handle Problems By Itself

Editor Dallas Post:

It is good to know that there is a paper in the Back Mountain region that will print both sides of a question and that neither party will have to stand up before a firing squad for having his own opinion. In other words this is America and not Russia.

In reply to Dr. Jordan I will say that the good doctor did exactly what I hoped he would do, but could not see how, a man with his education, intelligence and standing in the community in which he lives could stoop so low as to use gutter politics to put his program over.

The people in Dallas Township are not nit wits and they do not want to buy a cat in a bag. Now that the bag has been opened and we have seen the cat as well as the tactics used by the one making the sale, we want no part of it. When the good Doctor lost his equilibrium and resorted to threats as he did in item 10 of his summary, his temperature and blood pressure must have been at an all time high. Dr. Jordan knows that all the members of the Rotary Club did not see eye to eye with him and his committee, and when a very important cog in the wheel resigned from the club, the committee took the name of the Back Mountain Citizens' Committee. By doing that they thought they could keep the Rotary Club out of it.

Dr. Jordan admits that he does not know the cost of this Utopia that he is advocating. I do not know either but I can make a good guess. If I wanted to put a product on the market and advertise it as costing no more than what you are now using, but would give better results, I would first find out the cost and then go out to sell. Dr. Jordan is trying to sell something with no price tag attached and that could be the reason why the people in Dallas Township do not fall as easily as he and others would like them to.

In 1925 we got the first dose of something for nothing and it came from one who should have known better. In other words the State Department of Public Instruction. We were told that by closing our one room schools and consolidating them under one roof we could save money and cut taxes. Two years after, the taxes were increased ten mills.

When one of the School Directors was asked about it, he said the man from Harrisburg had only talked about the good part and left the rest for us to find out. This committee is doing the same. Please do not think that I want to go back to one room schools. Dr. Jordan says, that due to previous plans of the Dallas Township School Board that have not materialized the committee has not been able to make the progress in Dallas Township that they had hoped to make. I have seen no progress in any district unless holding a few gabfests in each district is called progress. So far no one has signed on the dotted line. And if memory does not fail me, this committee asked the Dallas Township board not to form a jointure with Franklin Township, until they had more time to

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Big Brass Bell Rings In Belfry

Lehigh Valley Parts With Steam Relic

The Prince of Peace bell tower is now furnished with a bell. It rang for services for the first time on Sunday morning, but residents of Pioneer avenue might have been forgiven if they had leaped to the conclusion while it was being hoisted to position on Saturday that the Lehigh Valley had constructed a spur track and had reinstated a steam engine in place of its modern diesels.

When it developed that the bell from the historic Goss School, dismantled with the aid of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company and delivered to the church grounds well in advance of dedication services, could not be swung in the tower without benefit of a derrick and a stone-mason, a search was instituted for a bell of more suitable size. Edward Meneely, a member of the congregation, and a long-term railroad man located what was needed in Sayre, and through the offices of the trainmaster, J. Johnke, rounded up an engine bell from a dismantled Lehigh Valley locomotive.

The engine bell, its brass polished to mirror brightness, was hung in the belfry by the combined efforts of Howard Young, Willard Parsons, and Jack Sheehan, who made preliminary preparations; A. J. Sordani who lent equipment for hoisting the bell into the tower under the oversight of Clarence Woodruff; and Charlie Lee and Harry Snyder who assisted in the actual operation. The bell-ropes, thirty feet in length, was purchased at the Library Auction by Ralph Davis and presented by him to the church for the belfry.

And it was Fred Renard who rang the bell on Sunday morning for the first service. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Young presented him with a bouquet in recognition of services rendered.

Richardson Elected Head Of Rural Building & Loan

L. L. Richardson was elected president of Rural Building & Loan Association at its seventeenth annual meeting Monday night in First National Bank of Dallas.

He succeeds Albert G. Groblewski of Trucksville who succeeded the late George T. Kirkendall, second president. First president of the Association was the late Harold Rust of Trucksville.

Elected to the Board of Directors was Howard Isaacs, Trucksville automobile dealer. He succeeds John N. Hislop, who has been unable to serve because of illness.

Other officials reelected were: Edward Staub, vice president; G. Wilbur Nichols, secretary; W. B. Jeter, treasurer and B. B. Lewis solicitor.

Directors are: Mr. Richardson, Mr. Groblewski, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Jeter, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Staub, Herbert H. Hill, Harold L. Titman, Daniel R. Richards, Dr. F. B. Schooley, Frederick J. Eck, Thomas G. Reese, Edward W. Hall, D. G. Robinhold and Mr. Isaacs.

The Association is under the supervision of the State Department of Banking and has more than \$114,500 in first mortgage loans plus \$2,600 in stock loans. Installment shares amount to \$74,828.00.

Discussing the growth of the Association and the place it fills in the community, Mr. Richardson said, "more people in the Back Mountain Region should buy shares, because they are a good investment and an easy way to accumulate savings over a period of years. It is a local organization and all of its directors are local men."

Dallas Bank Hit 4 Million Mark During November

Stockholders Hold Forty-Fifth Annual Meeting On Monday

"Deposits have increased approximately \$300,000 during the past year and total assets reached a seasonal peak of slightly more than four million dollars in November," W. B. Jeter, president of First National Bank of Dallas, told stockholders at their forty-fifth annual meeting Tuesday morning.

"Loans still continue high," Mr. Jeter added, "as a result of our growing community and if our deposits and loans continue to increase, it may be wise to increase our capitalization to keep the ratio in proper proportion."

"The surplus account was increased \$25,000 in July to a total of \$200,000 and with undivided profits give the stock a book value of \$80 a share as compared with \$75 at the beginning of the year."

Mr. Jeter explained that the Board of Directors has put into effect a pension plan for all employees.

He announced the resignation of William Neely from the Board of Directors because of ill health and the election of Ralph Brickel to his place as a vice president of the Board.

The stockholders voted to limit the Board of Directors to seven members for the current year, and did not elect a director to fill Mr. Neely's place.

Those reelected were: W. B. Jeter, A. C. Devens, R. L. Brickel, Harold Titman, Herbert Hill, Clifford Space and Frederick Eck.

Borough Teacher Takes State Job

Mrs. David Morgan Rehabilitates Blind

Mrs. David Morgan, wife of Rev. David Morgan, Courtale, until recently a teacher in Dallas Borough school, has made a connection with the State Department of Welfare which will keep her busy twelve months a year, working out of Harrisburg and Wilkes-Barre. On January 1 Mrs. Morgan started a program of investigation leading to rehabilitation of young blind children in 23 counties of Eastern Pennsylvania.

Her work will entail visits to hospitals and institutions as well as schools and private homes.

Before entering the four year course at Mansfield, Mrs. Morgan took work at Beaver College which laid the foundation for the type of Welfare work she is now engaged in.

Mrs. Morgan has taught in Hatfield, Lake Township and Dallas Borough. It was Mrs. Morgan who started the annual Harveys Lake Flower Show ten years ago when Rev. Morgan was pastor at Alderson. William Morgan, eldest son of the couple, won a competitive four year scholarship to Cornell this year. Two other sons are at Wyoming Seminary.

Mrs. Morgan is sister to Mrs. Charles James, Dallas.

New Vestrymen Begin Duties

Rev. Williams Names Committee Chairmen

Newly elected vestrymen of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church began their duties Tuesday night at the vestry meeting in the Parish Hall. They are: Calvin C. Hall, Ralph Davis, Floyd S. Sanders and Thomas Andrew.

Business transacted was under chairmanship of the rector, Rev. William R. Williams. Minutes of the last vestry and annual congregation meeting were read by Secretary Alfred S. James. Treasurer's report was submitted by J. Sheldon Cave.

Next order of business was appointment and election of officers to serve on the vestry for one year. Rev. Williams appointed Charles W. Lee, Senior Warden, and Paul Goddard Junior Warden. Vestrymen elected Alfred S. James who will serve a second year as secretary. The new treasurer will be Calvin C. Hall, and Ralph Davis will be accounting warden.

Rev. Williams created a series of committees which will function with one vestryman as chairman and with committee members from the congregation. Committee chairmen will be: Building and maintenance, Paul Goddard, chairman, assisted by John Sheehan and Willard Parsons; grounds, Charles W. Lee; finance, Calvin C. Hall and Ralph Davis; youth work and church school, Thomas Andrew, assisted by Donald C. Clark; membership J. Sheldon Cave; ushers, Sheltun T. Evans, assisted by John F. Sheehan; furnishings, Alfred S. James; servicemen and service-women's committee, Elwood C. Hudson, and Constitution and By-Laws, Donald J. Evans.

A committee headed by Elwood C. Hudson for serving the needs of the young men and women of the Parish who will serve in the Armed Forces is newly created. Arrangements will be made to have a plaque bearing the names of all members of the church entering the Armed Services, along with a service flag. Every young man and young woman will receive from the church a combination prayer book and hymnal, and tiny cross. The church's weekly bulletin will also be mailed to persons in service.

Final Rites For C. H. Tremayne

Dies Monday At 80 After Brief Illness

C. H. Tremayne, Yeager Avenue, was buried yesterday in Denison Cemetery after funeral services conducted by Rev. Norman W. Clemens, Wilkes-Barre, and Rev. Robert W. Yost, Shavertown.

Mr. Tremayne would have been 81 in March. He had been acutely ill since the Monday before Christmas, and had rallied during that period with expectation of recovery. He died on Monday at 2:30.

Since retirement in 1938 from the wide-spread grocery business he had built up from small beginnings in Ashley until it embraced a territory reaching from Mountain Top to Forty-Fort, with stores in Ashley, Kingston, Nanticoke and Parsons, Mr. Tremayne had made an attempt to retire gracefully, but found that life-long activity had spoiled his taste for leisure. After almost five years of inactivity, he accepted a position in the Registration Department in the Court-House Annex, and held it until his last illness.

Mr. Tremayne was a native of Cornwall, England, son of John Henry and Ellen Rowe Tremayne. At the age of 17 he came to America and settled in Ashley, first taking employment as a carpenter and then becoming interested in the grocery business. Fire destroyed a large store in Ashley, but Mr. Tremayne rebuilt at once.

Residents of Hedge Place, Kingstons. (Continued on Page Eight)

Hendricks To Speak At Annual Meeting

Howard Hendricks, supervising principal of Millersburg Public Schools, formerly supervising principal at Lehman and a former member of Back Mountain Library Executive Board, will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the Library Association on Thursday evening, January 25, at 8 at the Library.

Mr. Hendricks will show colored slides of his recent tour through the western United States.

In addition to Mr. Hendricks illustrated talk, Directors and Friends of the Library will hear a discussion of plans for expansion of the library and the renovation of the recently purchased Parrish property for library purposes.

There will be an election of Directors, officers and Executive Board in which all members of the Association who have paid \$1 annual dues will be entitled to vote.

Heart Chairman

Frederick Eck, cashier of First National Bank, has been named chairman of the annual Heart Campaign in the Back Mountain area.

Lions Hear Plans For Area C of C

Al Bowman Speaks On Organization

Harveys Lake Lions Club held its first meeting of the new year at Herman Kern's Restaurant Wednesday.

"Formation of a Back Mountain Chamber of Commerce" was discussed by Arlean T. Bowman, Dallas businessman. According to Bowman, plans are being made to lay the groundwork for such an organization as an outgrowth of the present Dallas Businessmen's Association.

The speaker made it clear that this newly proposed Chamber of Commerce could exist and function properly only if business and professional men from the entire Back Mountain were represented. Harveys Lake Lions enthusiastically endorsed the proposed organization.

Business and professional men and women in this area are invited to attend a meeting Monday, January 15, 2 P. M. at Bowman's Restaurant to further discuss creation of a Back Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

Lions Club members were invited by Mr. Bowman to attend a joint meeting with Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs during February, to hear an address by internationally famous Dr. Stephen C. Y. Pan, Ph.D. Doctor Pan is author of "China Fights On" and longtime Chinese Adviser at United Nations Security Council.

Next meeting of Harveys Lake Lions Club will be held Wednesday, January 24, at Herman Kern's. Speaker will be Andrew Ruskin, Assistant County Superintendent of Schools.

Kenneth Hughes Critically Ill

Fractured Skull In Coasting Accident

Kenneth Hughes, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hughes, 4 Birch street, Trucksville, is in critical condition at Nesbitt Hospital after a sledding injury on Sunday at 4:20 P. M.

Kenneth, with his three year old brother Tommy, had been sledding in company with Mrs. Hughes. When Tommy asked to go home because he was cold, his mother took him, expecting Kenneth to follow. Kenneth took one more slide, but this time from the crest of Lehig street which joins Harris Hill Road at a sharp angle screened by stone walls. His sled gathering speed, he shot into the intersection and collided with a car driven by Robert Davis, Rice street, Trucksville.

The child's skull was fractured, with a piece of bone driven into the brain, necessitating immediate operation following admission to Nesbitt Hospital, where he was taken after preliminary diagnosis by Dr. Charles Perkins.

He has regained consciousness occasionally, but remains in a state of shock. Some improvement was noted on Tuesday, but on Wednesday Kenneth had slipped back into a precarious balance between life and death.

Borough PTA Meeting

Dr. Robert Bodycomb and Dr. Robert Berman will present a program "Care Of The Teeth" under sponsorship of the Luzerne County Dental Society at the Dallas Borough PTA meeting Monday evening at 8 P. M.

Local Enlistees Leave For San Antonio Base

Among the 238 Air Force enlistees shipped by special train to Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, Monday were several Back Mountain boys: Kenneth Glen Roberts; David T. Joseph, Jay H. Bloomer, Martin Pugh of Dallas; Robert J. Koons of Shavertown; Ronald L. Hutchinson, Sweet Valley and John G. Gunton, Noxen, R. D.

The shipment, largest in the history of the local recruiting station left at 4:15 in nine pullman cars and diner and arrived at the Base Wednesday night.

Tax Increase Of \$10,299 Looms If Housing Units Are Untaxed

Kingston Township School Board has taken exception to statements appearing in public print, apparently emanating from Luzerne County Housing Authority, that the State contributes the bulk of school costs in that township.

Auditors' reports show that actually local taxes account for 53.43 per cent of the costs; tuition 5.07 per cent and State Appropriations 41.50 per cent.

Cost to maintain a pupil in Kingston Township Schools for one year is \$193.00. Of this amount \$102.29 is paid by local taxables; \$9.65 comes from tuition,

Earl Craig Succumbs To Pneumonia At 60

Earl Craig, 60, Courtale, father of Mrs. Dolores Trumbow, Huntsville Road, and well known in the Back Mountain because of summer residence in Dallas, died in the General Hospital Wednesday night at 10 from pneumonia complicated by a weakened heart. He had been admitted twenty-four hours earlier.

Burial will be in Maplewood Cemetery, with funeral services conducted by Rev. S. M. Nichols on Saturday at 2 from a Luzerne Funeral Home.