

Every Man's Battle

John T. Flynn, the author of the best-seller, "The Road Ahead—America's Creeping Revolution," which was a staggering revelation of the strides socialism has been making in this country, recently addressed the Association of American Physicians and Surgeons. He spoke of the menace of socialized medicine. And then he said this: "The point I want to stress is that this is not just a fight for socialized medicine. . . The field of medicine is just one battlefield in a general war. . . The war is upon our whole economic and social system. . . There is another battlefield in this same war—to socialize the power industry. . . There is another one in agriculture, under the incredible terms of the administration-backed Brannan Plan. . . There is still another battleground in the field of industry where through the administration-backed Spence bill they propose to make the first dangerous steps in government-owned and government-planned industrial plants. . . There is still another in the field of credit. . ."

"The Federal government is now planning to get its hooks into the schools by gradually invading them by means of tax grants. . . Unfortunately, each of these battlefields is more or less neglected save by the group which happens to be involved in any given attack. What I want to impress on you is that each of these battles is man's battle. . . The coming of socialized medicine will be speeded by the coming of socialized power. . . The doctor, the educator, the free workingman, the banker, the farmer, the manufacturer, the free citizen must each of them realize that no more battles can be lost and that wherever the attack is pressed all must fly to the defense."

That is one of the best and clearest statements on American socialism that anyone has yet made. There are no isolated skirmishes in this ideological war. Each is part of the whole—and the whole is found in the clear intent to socialize and regiment all the resources and energies of the nation. The emphasis may periodically shift from one place to another, but the purpose is never forgotten. And all who believe in freedom and justice must join in the defense if socialist strategy is to be exposed and defeated.

# FROM PILLAR TO POST

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

It all comes from reading the Helpful Hints for Householders in the pages of the women's magazines. Those things are dynamite. Ask any man who has plans to settle down for a luxurious weekend. There is no woman alive who can see a man stretch out his legs to relax after a full meal without being tempted to furnish him with constructive employment to match the clean-up job she faces in the kitchen. Whether or not she yields to temptation depends upon a mess of intangibles, early home training, a premature yen for an Easter hat, or what have you.

Usually, she yields. Last Saturday, balancing a stack of dishes en route to the sink, I saw Tom going through the preliminary stages of getting set for the evening. He had already thrown another little chunk on the kitchen heating stove, had waited until it burst into flame, and then propped the door open so that he could enjoy the cheery blaze. He poured himself another, and bootleg, cup of coffee, and leaned down to ease his slippers.

"I got some wallpaper for that middle bedroom upstairs today," I began, conversationally, "but I don't believe we can put it on until we get some of that old paper off, just those places where it is pulling away from the wall."

Tom looked up resignedly, gauging with accuracy the exact moment at which he must turn in his cup. Taking the last half in a gulp, he rose to his feet, slid the cup into the dishpan, and prepared to be a model husband.

"How do I get it off, kitchen knife?"

"Nope, the article I read says you spray it to loosen the paste and then it skins right off like peeling a banana."

"What kind of a spray?"

"The directions didn't say. Probably an insect spray would be about right. You could localize the dampness and scrape off the wet paper in patches."

Tom went upstairs to case the joint. I yelled after him, "The ceiling looks pretty good, and who ever sees a ceiling anyway? We'll just let that alone."

Tom stuck his head over the railing. "What'll we do about the bed?"

"Can't we just push it around?"

"Not unless you want it full of loose paper."

I let the hot water out of the sink and sidetracked the dishes. I'd been hoping for a good excuse. We took down the bed, placing springs and mattress on top of the bed in the front room, stacking side rails and head and foot against the wall. This maneuver left an inviting open space. Tom reached up and yanked on a loose section of wall paper. It let go with a cheerful tearing noise.

"Probably won't need a spray," he announced happily, slipping his finger under a loosened section and applying leverage. The crack widened, ran up the wall, and kept on

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BOX SCORE		
Back Mountain Highway Deaths and Serious Accidents Since V-J Day		
DALLAS	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS TOWNSHIP	10	13
LEHMAN	5	3
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	1	1
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	42	5
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	12	1
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	2	2
TOTAL	76	26

## Economy League Official Talks At Township PTA

Robert E. Pickup Stresses Need For Quality in Education

Robert E. Pickup, Director of the Northeast Division of the Pennsylvania Economy League addressed Dallas Township P. T. A. Monday evening on school district reorganization. The central theme of his informative talk was the fact that in order to pay for the quality of education now demanded for their children by the people of Pennsylvania, it will be necessary to improve the efficiency of school administrative units. Such reorganization is highly desirable since greater educational opportunities will normally result.

Mr. Pickup emphasized that problems of education are of momentous importance to the nation, the state and the community. He pointed out that education in Pennsylvania while not at as low an ebb as in many states is coming in for careful reevaluation by many interested groups of educators and laymen.

In general, the solution of the most urgent problems facing small school districts is to join with others to form larger and more efficient districts. This can be accomplished in two ways: (a) the establishment of a joint district through contractual agreement between two or more small districts and (b) the formation of a union district by the complete abolition of two or more smaller districts by direct vote of the people.

While the second system has many practical advantages from an administrative point of view, the financial benefits are obtained by savings in operation costs rather than increased subsidy from the state.

On the other hand, the jointure method normally results in appreciable increases in state subsidy in addition to many educational advantages. Over and above all questions of tax savings, Mr. Pickup stated that the indirect and often intangible values of a constantly improved educational system are of tremendous magnitude.

Mr. Pickup was assisted in his able handling of questions from the audience by Mr. Robert M. Freeborn.

Attorney Robert Fleming presided. Charles Roberts, chairman of the executive committee, gave a report on a recent meeting of that committee. Suggestions were made to be acted upon by the president and the P. T. A. as a whole. Among these are: Setting up a finance or budget committee to study the P. T. A. income and expenses; continued support of the playground committee; appointment of an impartial committee to attend meetings of the Citizens' Committee and bring back reports to P. T. A.; appointment of a parliamentarian to help interpret the by-laws; plans to send a delegate or help finance a delegate from Back Mountain Council to attend the State P.T.A. convention.

A report from the playground committee stated that the recently ordered equipment has arrived and is waiting to be set up. Two hundred dollars was ordered paid to the school board to help pay for the equipment.

The annual alumni banquet will be held on either the first or second Saturday following Easter. More definite plans will be made soon.

## Blue Ridge FFA Wins Two Prizes

Demonstrates At Harrisburg Show

Award of \$100 won by Blue Ridge Chapter of FFA, Lehman-Jackson high school, last fall for a safety demonstration, was made official at the State FFA Association convention held during the week of the Pennsylvania State Farm Show in Harrisburg. The demonstration was the culmination of a year of intensive work including field trips, community meetings, farm clean-ups study of safety procedure, posting of safety signs, proper storage of poisons and inflammable materials.

Five members of the chapter worked up a twenty-minute demonstration on farm, home, and school safety. Presented before several local organizations, it was once more given in Harrisburg, where it placed sixth in competition with other vocational demonstrations from all over the State, winning an additional \$25 for the sponsoring group.

Frank Rozinski and Abe Slater were awarded State Keys for their individual efforts in safety. These were the first and only keys ever so presented in Pennsylvania.

Russell Ruble heads the department of Agriculture at Lehman, and accompanied the students to the Farm Show.

## Association To Name Directors

Hendricks To Give Talk, Show Slides

Directors of Back Mountain Memorial Library Association who are retiring after a three-year term will be replaced Thursday evening by popular vote of the members at the Annual Meeting, to be held in the library at 8 P. M. All association members who have paid dues of \$1 as Friends of the Library, will be entitled to vote.

Howard Hendricks, supervising principal of Millersburg schools, formerly principal at Lehman, will show colored slides taken on a recent tour of the western states.

Refreshments will be served by a Book Club Committee headed by Mrs. Walter Elston.

## Heads Installation



Grace Barrall, president of Lehman-FHA, who headed the model installation at the Pennsylvania State Farm Show in Harrisburg.

## 10 Lehman Girls Visit Farm Show

Home-Makers Stage Model Installation

Ten Future Home-Makers of America from Lehman-Jackson High School staged an installation ceremony at the State Farm Show in Harrisburg on Thursday. Selected for this demonstration at the Regional conference last fall, the delegation represented 14 counties of Northeast Pennsylvania.

Grace Barrall, president of the local chapter FHA and of the Luzerne County Council, was assisted by Mary Alice Lewis, Freda Evans, Carol Price, Eleanor McKenna Patsy McKenna, Evelyn Niezgod, Mildred Katchmar, Geraldine Eustice, and Joan Oliver. The girls wore long black skirts, long-sleeved white blouses and a red rose; the table was covered with a white cloth and bore eight white candles to represent the eight ideals of FHA flanking a bowl of red roses.

Lehman-Jackson home-makers won two other honors in addition to the demonstration, two first prizes in sewing. Grace Barrall took a first with a red gabardine skirt featuring unpressed pleats; Mildred Katchmar with a tailored navy blue suit with bound buttonholes and other intricate details.

The delegation, including Ruth Shelhammer, Home Economics instructor, and Mrs. Charles Nuss, who drove the girls to Harrisburg, spent two days there, part of a crowd of 165,000 visitors.

## Press Lauds Bob Smith As Best Service End

Lt. Robert N. "Bob" Smith, formerly of Huntsville, son of Col. Norman Smith, and a former Wyoming Seminary and Annapolis football star, won an end position on the All-Service Football Team this year.

According to press dispatches: "Lt. Robert N. Smith, Trucksville, Pa., 6' 2" tall and 225 pounds of Parris Island Marine Base, found his way to the first team. The former Naval Academy star gridder has been considered the very best end in service football this year by his aggressive end play. The 'press box poets' of the western coast consider the rugged Marine the best pass catcher to appear on a service team on the coast in several seasons."

Pastors and laymen from fifteen Free Methodist churches will attend this convention. Rev. H. D. Oliver Jr., District Superintendent, will preach in the Sunday morning service. Love-feast in the afternoon conducted by Rev. H. J. Gabriel, pastor in Wilkes-Barre. The Sunday evening sermon will be delivered by Rev. H. J. Deats, pastor in South Cannan.

## Trucksville Church Is Host To Sunday School Convention

Rev. Ira Hancock, pastor of Free Methodist Church, Farmington, is the special speaker for the four-day Sunday School convention to be held in connection with the Wilkes-Barre District meeting in the Free Methodist Church on Carverton Road, Trucksville.

Rev. Hancock who is active in Sunday School work in western Pennsylvania, spoke last night and will speak again at 2:30 this afternoon and this evening at 7:45.

Saturday afternoon the meeting will be continued with tape recordings of Sunday School lectures delivered by Dr. R. L. Decker.

Mrs. Mary Schlosser, missionary to China 1909-1949, will speak at the public rally Saturday at 7:45.

## Local Men Win At Farm Show

Hillside And Sands Show Prize Stock

By C. S. HEMENWAY

The 1951 Farm Show is history. The annual Harrisburg event was even more successful than usual. An unusually large show of excellent heavy horses was noted. The writer heard of an offer of \$2,500 for one of the teams in the pulling contest.

The very large exhibit of beef cattle was notable for uniform quality, true also of the sheep and swine exhibits.

The Dairy Cattle exhibit which commands the central location at the show drew unusual attention. The quality was excellent, the breeds represented were Holstein, Guernsey, Ayrshire, milking Shorthorns, Brown Swiss, and Jersey.

### Hillside Shows Shorthorns

Of local interest: Hillside Farms, Trucksville, exhibited ten head of milking Shorthorns. There were 62 head of this breed from eight exhibitors, and the quality was noticeably higher in this the third year that this breed has been shown. Winners from Hillside include 2nd, four year old cow; 2nd, yearling heifer; 2nd, Senior get of sire. Eight of the ten animals shown were sired by Anderson Jerome, grand Champion bull in 1949.

### Sands Wins Ribbons

Ralph Sands won 2nd for a yearling bull and 2nd and 3rd for yearling heifers in a very strong and large class of Holsteins, probably the highest quality show this breed has made in a number of years. Sands showed three entries, won three prizes. This was made possible by a happy selection of herd sires. Ralph went all out when he bought "Explorer," sire of 2nd and 3rd prize winning yearling heifers. His "Sovereign" is a cormer.

Ralph's Junior 2nd prize heifer was defeated only by the Junior Grand Chapion female of the Show and his Springbank Piebe Sovereign was defeated only by the Junior Grand Champion.

### County Exhibits

Also of local interest was the steer shown from Luzerne County by a 4 H Club boy from near Hazleton. For the milking Shorthorn breed this steer finished very well, selling at the auction for 39c per pound when strictly beef-bred steers sold at 40-41c. The farm show is of interest to people from every walk of life. Home Economics, fruit, school projects, historical exhibits are some of the attractions. Large farm machinery, seed, feed, wild life, forestry, poultry exhibits, attract much interest.

The night shows drew capacity crowds two hours before scheduled starting time. One outstanding feature was the 4 H Club projects. These young people put in long hours of hard work and achieved results comparable with those attained by much older and experienced people. The onlookers were thrilled when these young folks came into the show ring with fine animals beautifully fitted and groomed.

Many a tear was shed when the animals were finally led through the sale ring and sent on their way. The Grand Champion Steer sold for \$1.40 per pound, weight 1130 pounds.

### Calves Admired

Two baby calves shown by Hillside Farms received much attention. Youngsters petted them and the older folks also loved them. One was a month-old pure white calf, son of Anderson Rosabel, 3rd prize 2 year-old milking Shorthorn; the other, we called Hillside Harrisburg, the first calf born at the 1951 Farm Show.

## Kenneth Hughes, 4 Recovering Slowly

Kenneth Hughes, four-year-old victim of a sledding accident last week on Lehigh Street, Trucksville, is making steady progress toward recovery at Nesbitt Hospital, but will remain there for some time longer.

The little boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hughes, Birch street, was operated upon immediately after admission with a compound fracture of the skull. He was dangerously ill for several days, but is now able to take a little food and recognize his parents. Never too rugged, he has lost considerable weight. He is not yet able to sit up.

## Public Forum to be Held on Jointure School Board Directors to be Present

By DR. L. E. JORDAN

As a result of rapid development in the school situation, the Back Mountain Citizens' Committee for The Public Schools is anxious to have a large turnout at its January meeting. This will be held at Kingston Township High School Auditorium Tuesday night, January 23 at 8.

The program has been arranged so it can be a clearing house for the many questions that are on parents' or taxpayers' minds. Citizens' Committee has arranged to have supervising principals and School Directors of Kingston Township and Dallas Borough answer questions concerning the Jointure being studied for those two districts, and general questions concerning the overall picture of the area.

The Citizens' Committee welcomes the interest and discussion that is now taking place. While it is not all in agreement with our thinking or present school laws, it does show that people are thinking about our schools and that is a healthy situation which will lead to the correct solution.

While our efforts are progressing too slowly for some of our critics, two Jointures, one formed and the other in the process of formation, seem to us to be faster progress for six months work than we had expected. I recall public projects that lingered much longer with no results. Anything well worth while and as large in scope as this project, surely cannot be done according to a time table.

In this paper last week Mr. D. A. Waters had an excellent article on the financial problem of Jointure. It deserves some enlargement. The Committee has been criticized for discussing finances too much, but you can not divorce it from your mind, as you, the taxpayer, will make it the prominent issue. It naturally follows that good education and educational facilities require money, whether they can be provided under Jointure without increase in taxation is of paramount importance.

## Old Toll Gate Lions To Meet At Colonial

Old Toll Gate Lions will hear a talk on "Why we need a Back Mountain Chamber of Commerce" by Arlean Bowman, president of Dallas Businessmen's Association, on Tuesday, 6:30, at Colonial Inn, Fernbrook.

At the last meeting, Lions saw moving pictures illustrating "Waters of the Commonwealth," a film shown by Bernard Bush, sanitary engineer for Pennsylvania State Department of Health, slanting toward purification of streams.

## Lehman Firemen Buy Gas Masks

Lehman Fire Company purchased two new gas masks at its meeting on Monday night.

Members of the company are completing the work on their building. Volunteers are completing the carpentry and painting every Monday night.

Ladies Auxiliary has recently completed work in the kitchen installing a new gas stove and hot water heater. New dishes have already been received.

## Library Board Meets

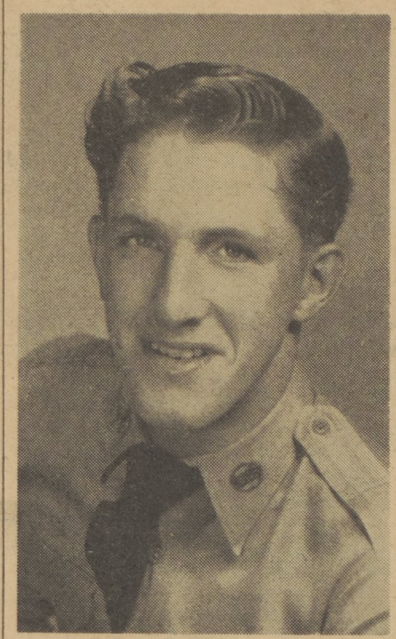
Back Mountain Memorial Library Executive Board met at the library Tuesday evening to discuss routine business and lay further plans for the kick-off dinner for the Library Auction. Originally planned for February, the dinner has been postponed until after Easter.

Members present were Miss Frances Dorrance, president; Henry Peterson, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Howell, secretary; Miriam Lathrop, librarian; Howard Risley, Charles Nuss, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Mrs. Joseph Schmerer; Mrs. Lewis LeGrand, Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks.

## DUCKS SMELL SPRING IN THE AIR, FLOCK TO BACK MOUNTAIN POND

Spring has come. Mrs. LeVan Beisel counted forty ducks on White Lake, in the hollow below the intersection of the new road from Lehman with the older Route 115. Ralph Rood, taking the joy out of life, gives it as his opinion that the ducks probably are wintering hereabouts instead of coming on from the deep south. It is more encouraging to think that those ducks smelled spring in the air and got the vernal urge.

## Pic. Andrew Zosh Jr.



To Leave For Overseas

Pfc. Andrew Zosh Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Zosh Sr., R. D. 1, Dallas, is spending a twenty-day furlough with his parents prior to leaving for overseas duty.

Andrew, a graduate of Lake Township High School in the class of 1949, took his basic training in San Antonio, Texas. He is now stationed at Davis Monthan Air Force Base at Tucson, Arizona.

The attitude of the State Legislature has been to favor Jointure, by making the State appropriation attractive financially. Schools under Jointure are receiving more State appropriation in most cases than comparable individual school districts with the same number of students. The reason is clear. The Legislature under Governor Duff, felt that Jointure could offer a better educational program, than the same districts operated individually as our districts are now. There are many reasons for this. We will discuss them from time to time.

Governor Fine has consistently supported Gov. Duff's policy and in his campaign talks, stated that school support from the State would be increased. At the present time, bills have been drafted which will be introduced in the next few weeks to effect this school aid. We do not know what the attitude of the new legislature will be. It is felt certain that appropriations for individual school districts, Jointure school districts and teachers' salaries will be increased, with the favor still towards the Jointure system due to its more economical operation, better teacher load and increased educational facilities.

There is no one in the Citizens' Committee who is setting himself up as an expert in financial affairs. All the figures in connection with the Jointure have been studied by the Supervising principals, considered by the School Boards, approved by the State before an agreement is signed.

School Code on Jointure For those who are interested, we will explain Jointure finances as outlined in the School Laws of Pennsylvania, 1949-1950, and verified by the County Superintendent's office.

In Article XVII, such a system is referred to as a Joint School. Section 1701. Establishment—The board of school directors in any two or more school districts may establish, construct, equip, furnish and maintain joint elementary public schools, high schools, . . . provided for in this act. The cost of establishing, constructing, equipping, furnishing and maintaining such joint schools . . . shall be paid by the several districts establishing the same, in such manner and in such proportion as they may agree upon. No joint school . . . shall be established without receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the board of school directors in each district establishing the same.

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