

What Makes A Good School Director?

The voters of Dallas Township who care about the future of the community and of the nation—and we feel sure this includes the great majority—will be asking themselves this question before primary election day. Naturally, no two persons will come up with identical answers. However, there are certain basic points which probably will be generally agreed upon.

That which is most needed at present is good, strong leadership of the open minded, clear thinking and cooperative type. This calls for men with integrity and imagination who can look ahead and at the same time face everyday facts; men who will keep the community informed concerning the progress of the schools; men who can get along with others in the interest of good education and good administration.

The last point is important. Cooperation is what has made our nation strong and it is the only course of action which can make the community strong. It is an ideal which must be learned by our school children if they are to become successful citizens. It will be well learned if the right example is set by their elders. The attitude of the School Board can exert much influence for good or evil.

We have mentioned some of the basic requirements for a good School Director. Whether a candidate measures up well against these standards can be determined by his public utterances and his general attitudes on questions of importance. If he thinks only in terms of the past and has no clear plans for the future, he is no longer a leader. If he adopts a "wait and see" attitude, he is a weak leader. If he appeals to the uncooperative emotions of a small segment of the community, his leadership is dubious at best. If he straddles the major issues and only makes up his mind when it is too late, he is no leader at all.

Of the five candidates for Dallas Township School Board membership the voters should have little difficulty in selecting the two candidates best qualified to work for the common good.

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FROM
PILLAR TO POST

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

We feel that though somewhat belatedly, we should place a modest wreath upon Father's brow, something on the order of a halo worn jauntily over one ear.

We knew that Father was due for his spot on the Calendar last Sunday, but we didn't get around to writing about it, due to this and that, and especially to taking time out to search for a small boy at the time a column for Father should have been in our thoughts, simmering away for future typewriter copy.

With most of us mothers elbowing fathers out of the picture, Father does not get much of a break. If he draws down a hand-painted tie he is doing well.

Most fathers do not get enough credit. Cartoonists contribute to this public opinion poll by pursuing father from the time he waits anxiously outside the delivery-room door, to the time when he snaps his galluses and hands out sage bits of unsolicited advice to his grandchildren.

Fathers are pretty solid citizens. They perform the modern miracle of paying the milk bill and the coal bill and making payments on the house, they see that Susie has dancing lessons and Jimmie a baseball mitt, they allow themselves to grow threadbare so that the Junior Miss may have a Junior Prom gown, and they stand back and allow the women to absorb the glory of bringing up the family.

Most women have not the slightest idea what a man is up against in providing for his family. Women know about food bills, but they have no conception about the overall cost of supporting a family. Little Naomi from across the street has a pair of white shoes, little Susie feels left out, so father takes up another notch in his belt, does a spot of figuring, and Susie gets the white shoes, though her patent leather slippers are in good shape and will be too small by the end of the summer.

Every girl, for the good of her soul and for her future husband's ease of mind, should in our opinion be trained to earn her own living and support herself for a time before marriage. This might give her a faint idea of what a man is up against.

Most men work hard. There is the responsibility, theirs the headaches, and in these modern days, theirs the stomach ulcers.

Competition is keen, the future uncertain, the strain of supporting and educating a family of children almost overwhelming. While tears to relieve the strain are allowable to a woman, her helpmate must not hiss teeth and take another shot of bicarbonate of soda. Convention allows him to kick the cat or slam the door until the dishes rattle, but not to shed a tear.

Fathers lead a tough life.

Natona To Close July 7 For Annual Vacations

Natona Mills will be closed during the week of July 7 to give all employees, except those in the maintenance department, their annual vacation.

Post Closed Saturdays

The office of the Dallas Post will be closed Saturdays during July and August.

Ernest Wood Dies Suddenly

Widely Known Music Instructor Was 67

The community was shocked last Saturday afternoon to learn of the sudden passing of Prof. Ernest Wood, 67, one of the area's most respected and widely known music instructors.

For more than 40 years, Prof. Wood had been organist at Memorial Presbyterian Church, Wilkes Barre. He numbered among his friends, hundreds, now grown to manhood and womanhood, who obtained their first love of fine music from him.

For some 20 years he was organist of the Elks Club and he was also pianist at Rotary and Exchange Clubs of which he was a member.

Born in England, he was choir-master and organist for eight years at Independent Methodist Church of New Springs, Wigan. He came to America on April 16, 1911 and followed his profession here for the rest of his life.

Gentle in disposition, kindly and softspoken, he was a true gentleman and kindly and loving father, and husband.

In failing health for several months he was stricken with a heart attack while seated in an arm chair in the garden of his home on Rice street, and died a short time later as he was about to recline on his bed.

The funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 3 from the family home with Rev. Frederick Reinfort of Dallas Methodist Church in charge.

His son, Alan, with the Air Force at Kelly Field, Texas, telephoned from Buffalo, while en route home, asking that interment be delayed until he arrived. A prayer was held at the home after his arrival and interment was made at 5 at Woodlawn Cemetery, Dallas.

Surviving are his wife and the following children: Ernest Wiant and Lois Wood, at home; J. Allan Wood, in the U. S. Air Force at Kelly Field, Tex. and Mrs. Royal Culp, Huntsville; sisters and brothers, Mrs. Samuel Wane, West Pittston; Mrs. J. Sproston, Mrs. J. Allan Cooke, Mrs. Fred Edge and Silas Wood, all in England.

Pallbearers were: Ralph Eipper, Herbert Morley, Howard Womer, Elbert Lemmon, J. Henry Morgan and H. N. Stark.

Strawberry Festival To Aid Noxen Firemen

Ladies Auxiliary of Noxen Fire Company will conduct an old-fashioned strawberry festival and amateur night on Noxen Baseball Field Saturday.

The amateur show will be for youngsters between the ages of 3 and 15. There will be prizes.

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BOX SCORE
Back Mountain Highway Deaths and Serious Accidents Since V-J Day

	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS	10	13
DALLAS TOWNSHIP	5	5
LEHMAN	1	1
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	42	5
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	2	1
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	12	1
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	2	1
TOTAL	76	28

Plan To Open New School On September 1

Busses Will Serve Pupils From Three Local Parishes

Brick exterior walls are progressing rapidly so that the limestone trim is being installed on the front of the new Gate of Heaven Parochial School on Machell Avenue.

Work is moving ahead on schedule, according to Rev. Francis Kane, administrator of the parish, with September 1 as the objective for opening the building.

The heating plant has already been installed and concrete floors in the main building are being poured. The roof is completed. About fifty men are being employed.

When completed the building will have nine class rooms and an auditorium and will serve children embraced by Gate of Heaven, Our Lady of Victory and St. Therese's parishes. Father Kane said many pupils will be transported by bus.

A church census and house-to-house visitation are now being conducted to determine how many pupils will be enrolled when school opens. Father Kane said he could give no estimate of enrollment at this time because the project is new and any estimate would be fluid.

He was delighted with the beauty of the school's location and said the building itself will be a decided asset to the community.

Flower Festival For Alderson

WCSA To Feature Early Flowers

An early season Flower Festival, sponsored by Alderson Methodist Church WCSA and scheduled for Wednesday, June 27, is a new venture this year, planned for this date to take advantage of early roses and Delphiniums, not too late to interfere with the annual Flower Show.

The festival, explained Mrs. G. N. Carpenter, chairman, was a brain child of Frank Jackson, who considers early flowers as well worth exhibiting as later ones.

Classes will include common and rambler roses, delphiniums, old fashioned spring flowers, specimens of hybrid teas, potted plants including foliage varieties.

Flower arrangements range from miniatures and framed groupings, to table arrangements and mantel-piece settings, taking in both Victorian and modern arrangements.

There is a Teacher's Desk arrangement for children up to twelve years, and a small table arrangement for Juniors, 12-16.

Three Airmen Visit Here On Routine Flight

Three Kingston Township airmen, stationed at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss., paid a surprise visit to their families early Sunday morning.

They were: First Lt. Carl Dykeman, Second Lt. Albert Morse, and First Lt. Glen Loveland. All are veterans of World War II. Lts. Loveland and Morse having recently been recalled to service.

The boys were on a routine training flight in a twin-engine Army Bomber piloted by Lt. Morse.

The big ship landed at Avoca Airport at 5 AM. where it was met by Mr. and Mrs. John Dykeman and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Post, father and mother-in-law of Lt. Morse. The airmen had previously telephoned from Middletown Air Base that they were en route to Avoca.

Mrs. Dykeman was so excited that she embraced Lt. Loveland, to the meriment of everybody, before she realized he was not her son.

During their brief stay here, Lts. Dykeman and Morse visited the new government project at Red Rock Mountain. Lt. Dykeman is a specialist in the type of work which will be done there.

The trio departed from Avoca in the late afternoon, taking with them a vacuum cleaner which Mrs. Morse had left at home when she and her husband were ordered to Mississippi. The boys said they had plenty of room for more goods in the bomb bay. At Middletown Air Base they planned to pick up several other airmen for the return to Keesler.

Twenty-Five Players Organize Lake Band

Twenty-five people interested in band music turned up for practice at Lake Township Music Room Friday night, in response to a classified advertisement in the June 1 Dallas Post.

Leader is John Milus. Last year, there were forty-six players, a number which Robert Scott thinks will be equalled this year. Mr. Scott, leader of a four-piece outfit of his own, plays the drums with the Lake band.

Last year, he says, the band played in Mooretown and Sweet Valley churches, at the Noxen firemen's parade, and at the Harveys Lake Flower Show, to name but a few engagements.

This band is the outgrowth of the old Ruggles Band. It is Sherman Hoover, an old-time member of the Ruggles Band, whose wife has pieced a lovely quilt in flower-pot design to chance off for the benefit of the band. While membership is free to all comers, band music runs high, and costs must be met.

Band practice will be on Monday evenings at Lake School Music Room.

Three Speakers Talk On Flower Arrangements

Library Book Club met at Back Mountain Memorial Library Wednesday afternoon and heard Mrs. Franklin D. Robinson, Adelia Stevens and Helen Crane talk on flower arrangements.

Mrs. Joseph Schmefer presided. Book Club Auction chairmen gave their reports.

Four new members were welcomed, Mrs. Thomas Cease, Mrs. Russell Frantz, Mrs. M. D. Laycock and Mrs. Melvin Estey.

Attending were: Mrs. Lewis LeGrand, Mrs. Edgar Brace, Mrs. J. Franklin Robinson, Helen Crane, Adelia Stevens, Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins, Mrs. Joseph Schmefer, Mrs. Peter D. Clark, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Mrs. R. R. Hedden, Mrs. Arthur H. Ross, Mrs. Gerald Dettmore, Mrs. Herbert Smith, Jr., Mrs. Raymond Kuhnert, Mrs. G. E. Stout, Mrs. Ralph Garrahan, Mrs. Thomas E. Heffernan, Mrs. Herman C. Thomas, Mrs. Charles R. Smith, Mrs. A. D. Hutchison, Mrs. Dana Crump, Mrs. Charles B. Gates, Miss M. E. Gates, Mrs. M. J. Brown, Mrs. Donald J. Evans, Mrs. Paul Goddard, Mrs. John A. Girvan, Anna W. Kutzner, Mrs. H. A. Stuhlmueller, Mrs. Thomas E. Cease, Mrs. Stanley B. Davies, Mrs. Harold Titman, Mrs. Russell Frantz, Mrs. W. E. McQuilkin, Mrs. William W. Thomas, Mrs. Clyde N. Cooper, Mrs. Thomas B. Robinson, Mrs. Fred B. Howell, Mrs. James C. Langdon, Miriam Lathrop, Louise Owen, Caroline Kutzner.

Visitors were: Mrs. M. J. Brown, Caroline Kutzner and Anna Kutzner.

Wet Weather Retards Corn

Cool, wet weather prevailed during the first half of the week, hindering harvesting, cultivating and field work generally. Despite sunny days the latter half, maximum temperatures for the week averaged 9 degrees deficient in east portion and 4 degrees deficient in west portion. Precipitation was above normal for the 4th successive week.

Lack of sunshine and warmth slowed growth of corn until past mid-week when weather favored rapid development. Stands and color are good. Cultivation of corn and other row crops is progressing rapidly as soils dry out. Condition of wheat is fair to good. Much in northern counties is in head. Cool wet spell favored rapid spread of rust—continued dry weather is needed to minimize losses. The oats crop developed nicely and much early planted is heading. Wet ground delayed cutting of barley—some has lodged and will be difficult to harvest.

Potatoes made exceptionally fast growth and tubers of earliest plantings are attaining fair size. Transplanting of tobacco is in full swing. Rainy weather delayed drying of alfalfa, clover and timothy and much harvested was of low quality.

Partial List of New Merchandise for Auction

Anthra-Flo Heating Unit	Coal-O-Matic Stoker Co.	Permanent Wave	Druid Hill Beauty Salon
Anthra-Flo Installation (\$50 toward)	Earl H. Monk	Rabbits	Thomas Andrew
Anthra-Flo Free Interest on Unpaid Balance,		Rabbits	Henry Jones
	First National Bank, Dallas	Rabbits	William Bertels
Automobile Tire	Jack Williams	Roll Roofing (5 rolls)	General Roofing Co.
Automobile Battery	James R. Oliver, Inc.	Simonize Job	Ray Chappel
Automobile (used)	Ralph Davis	Soap (144 cakes)	Tucks Drug Store
Auto Back Up Lights (2)	Lester Pontiac	Septic Tank (large)	C. E. German & Son
Baby Ducks	Paul Warriner	Sheep (Black lamb)	Herman Thomas
Bird Houses and Feeders	Frank Jackson	Suit or coat (men's val. \$45.95)	Crawford Clothes
Bananas	Tulaney Produce	Sewing Stands (Mahogany 3)	David Schooley
Black Leaf 40 (gal.)	Penn State Seed Co.	Toilet Set	Cooks Drug Store
Bond (\$200 value)	Daddow-Isaacs Post Amer. Legion	Tool Box (steel)	Frank Henry
Congoleum Rug (9x12)	John Nash	Top Soil (large load)	A. Hudak
Corsages (value \$125)	Hill the florist	Top Soil (large load)	Yellick Brothers
Charcoal	Motor Twins	Tumbler & Coasters (24)	Greenwald Furniture Co.
Chickens (crate)	Henry Pool	Vacuum Cleaner	Truckville Radio Service
Chickens (4 roasters)	Truckville Mill	Vigoro (several bags)	Miner-Hillard Milling Co.
Coal (4 tons)	M. J. Brown & Son	Waffle Iron	Andrew Fisher
Crushed Stone (4 tons)	Coon Construction Co.	Watermelons	James Thomas
Chest of Drawers (val. \$125)	A Friend	Chocolate Milk and Milk	Harters Dairy
Clock	Sid Hayes Town Hall Service	Chocolate Milk and Milk	Forty Fort Dairy
Ducks	Henry Jones	Chocolate Milk and Milk	Orchard Farm Dairy
Duplicating Machines (2)	Post-O-Graf Mfg. Co.	Chocolate Milk and Milk	Dallas Dairy
Dog Food (several bags)	Blue Streak Dog Food Co.	Chocolate Milk and Milk	Shady Side Dairy
Desk Radio	John Marley	Cream	Woodlawn Dairy
Dry Cleaning (\$10 value)	Davis Cleaners	Ham	Boyles Inn
Dry Cleaning	Peoples Laundry	Ham	Brokenshire Harveys Lake Hotel
Dogwood (pink) and Evergreen Tree, Hall's Nursery		Ham	Sheldon Cave
Enamelware	Brown & Fasset	Ham	Torchy Wilson
Faucet (Dual Mix, val. \$14)	Mack Supply Co.	Ham	Marty Walsh
Fuel oil (200 gallons) or equivalent in gasoline.		Ham	Hislop's Tally-Ho
	Purcell Oil Company	Ham	A Shrineview Friend
Hot Water Heater	Shavertown Lumber Co.	Ham	Herman Kern
Garden Tools & Fertilizer	King Floral Co.	Ham	Herbert Lundy
Ladies Suits (several new)	P. & R. Clothing Co.	Ham	Masonis Beaumont Inn
Lawn Mower	Lewis & Bennett	Ham	John Nothoff
Lavatory (porcelain)	Joe Hughes	Ham	Castle Inn
Magazine Racks (2)	David Schooley	Ham	Atty. Roscoe Smith
Membership (val. \$7.50), Wyoming Valley Motor Club		Ham	Bowman's Early American Restaurant
Peanuts (bagged)	Obici Peanut Shop	Ham	Checkerboard Inn
Playhouse (large)	Ray Hedden	Turkey	Richard Brace
Pressure Cookers (3)	Phillips Frozen Foods	Ham	Donahue Restaurant

Legion Gives Library \$200 Defense Bond

Auction Chairmen Are Pleased With Early Collections

The Barn on Lehman Avenue was gradually beginning to fill this week with hundreds of pieces of old furniture for the Library Auction on July 6 and 7. Many were antiques.

There were also truck loads of miscellaneous items ranging from portable electric sewing machines to curved early American mirrors surrounded with eagles.

The big influx of old merchandise will really get underway next week when the transportation committee, headed by Phillip Cheney and Ray Evans, starts its trucks moving to all parts of the Back Mountain area on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Solicitation Committee headed by Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins and Mrs. Herbert Smith, and composed of 100 members of the Book Club has about completed its work of visiting every home so that collections can start in earnest on Monday.

Persons who have not been contacted should telephone the transportation committee Dallas 9090 if they want their goods picked up on the first three days of the week.

D. T. Scott Jr. and Henry Jones, chairmen of the New Goods Solicitation Committee, reported on Monday night that their committee now has more merchandise on hand than for any previous auction. Dozens of merchants, they said, are taking advantage of the advertising value of the auction and are giving better items than ever before. "If this continues," Mr. Scott said, "we will more than double our goal of \$2,000 for new goods."

The total goal for the Auction this year is \$10,000.

Harry Ohlman, and Howard Risley, co-chairmen, said they believed this figure might be exceeded if those interested in the Library continue their outpouring of generosity as they have during the past week.

They called special attention to the gift of \$200 Defense Bond from Daddow-Isaacs Post of American Legion, and the offer of the Legion to "put its shoulders to the wheel" and help the Auction in every way possible. The gift came as a complete surprise to the Auction Committee and Library Board and was entirely unsolicited.

Also unexpected was the suggestion from two large firms that they may contribute all of the soft drink, buns and hot dog rolls used at the refreshment stand. This will go a long way toward helping the committee to achieve its slogan, "Everything given—nothing bought for the Library Auction."

There was also a report unverified at presstime, that all ice cream sold at the auction will be contributed.

Last year the Auction Committee incurred expenses of some \$600 for these items.

Air Raid Test Is Scheduled For Tomorrow

Airplane Observers Will Also Man Posts For All Night Test

The State Council of Civil Defense has arranged the fourth air raid test warning for Saturday, between 2:00 and 4:00 P. M. DST. James C. Poff, Chief of the Division on Communications for Luzerne County, and Attorney James Hiscox, Air Raid Warning Specialist, have ordered all District and Municipal coordinators to be ready for the test probably near 3:00 P.M.

The sirens and whistles throughout the County will again give the test warning to accustom the people to the signal, which consists of a three-minute period of short blasts of a whistle or warbling sound of a siren; this is the Red alert, or danger signal.

After an intermission, the all clear or White signal will be given, which consists of three one minute blasts of a whistle or a siren, separated by two minutes of silence, that is, a blast for one minute, then two minutes of silence, a second blast of one minute, then two more minutes of silence, and then a third blast of one minute. The whistle and siren operators are cautioned to note the difference between the Red alert and the White alert signals.

Attorney Hiscox instructed all district and municipal coordinators to indicate that this is a test warning, only, by preceding the three minutes of short sharp blasts, the Red alert, by three single short sharp blasts. These three short sharp blasts which precede the three-minute signal indicate that it is a test only. Should the three-minute signal occur without the three short sharp blasts preceding it, the citizens are to know that that is a real warning of an enemy attack.

There will be no interruption of traffic or of normal activity during this test. It is mainly to instruct the people as to the type of signal which is being used nation wide.

Airplane Observers

At the same time, Attorney Paul R. Selecky, Chief Airplane Observer for Luzerne County, has been ordered to instruct all sixteen airplane observation posts in the County to man the observation posts, for the first time, for an all night test. The test will begin Saturday morning, at 9, and will extend all through Saturday, all Saturday night, and all day Sunday until 6:00 P. M.

All the sixteen posts will be manned by volunteers in shifts of two to four hours each, in teams of two observers, who will follow the instructions on how to report airplanes at the designated telephones to the filter centers, where the flights of all airplanes will be mapped throughout the State. Special army airplanes will be sent into the air for these tests, along with the normal passenger airplanes which will continue to operate during the test. The various veterans posts are directed to see that their airplane observations posts are properly manned.

League Of Women Voters Will Publish Local Guide July 20

The Dallas Post on July 20 as a public service will publish a Voter's Guide for the Back Mountain area, using material gathered by Back Mountain members of the League of Women Voters.

Candidates for the offices of School Director and Councilmen in Dallas Borough, and for School Director and Supervisors in Kingston, Dallas, Lehman, Lake and Jackson Townships have been sent questionnaires. These questionnaires ask the candidates for background qualifications for the offices they seek and for their views on how they will meet the desires of the voters for community betterment.

Dallas Borough councilmen and township supervisors have been asked: What do you think would be the best methods (consolidation? Borough Planning Commission? Township or borough manager?) to provide the needs (zoning? fire protection? sewage disposal? water supply?) of our growing communities?

School directors have been asked: Do you believe that larger school administrative districts and attendance areas are desirable? If not, how would you set out to improve our schools? How could these improvements be financed? The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization with

a year-round program of Voters Service. The League does not support or oppose any political parties or candidates but strives to promote party participation and voting in every election. In gathering the material for a Voters' Guide it hopes to reach the maximum number of potential voters with information that will make them want to vote and help them to vote intelligently. Although a Voters' Guide has been published by the League for several years in Wilkes-Barre prior to each primary and general election, this is the first time a full-scale canvass of Back Mountain candidates has been attempted. It marks also the first time a newspaper has published the Guide as a public service.

It has been explained to those candidates who were sent questionnaires that no material will be used without their signed consent. However, the League reserves the right to state in the Guide if a candidate has failed to return the questionnaire.

Back Mountain members of the League who are cooperating in the publication of the Guide: Mrs. Leroy Bugbee, Mrs. C. A. Eberle, Mrs. Williams Evans, Jr., Mrs. Stefan Hellersperk, Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins, Mrs. Arthur Ross, Mrs. Gerald Stout, Mrs. Robert Walsh.