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PRIMARY ELECTION, TUESDAY, JULY 24

**Faith Kept With The People
Commends Sheriff Sherrock**

**Veteran of Great War Put
Youth and Fidelity In His
Career as Chief Officer
Of Law Enforcement
SERVES MANY IDEALS**

County-wide crusades against organized gambling and commercialized vice have distinguished the public service of Robert Sherrock who has been endorsed by the Luzerne County Republican Party for a second term as Sheriff. A native of Hazleton, a product of its public schools, long a church and social worker as well as prominent in county-wide and state-wide civil activities, Sheriff Sherrock represents the Pennsylvania Association of Sheriffs in the Civil Defense Organization recently completed across Pennsylvania in advance of any emergency brought about by war in Korea.

Only 34 years old, Robert Sherrock has a distinguished war record. For four and one-half years he served with the United States Army, and for almost three years of that service he was with the combat forces that defeated the Nazi-Fascist Alliance in World War Two. He was in the Normandy invasion. A resident at 237 Muir avenue, Hazleton, Sheriff Sherrock is married to the former Mary McElwee and they are parents of two sons. Mrs. Sherrock also has lived all her life to date in Hazleton.

Graduated from Hazleton High School with the class of 1934, Robert Sherrock joined his father, Joseph, and his brother, Edward, in the automobile business in Hazleton. At the outset of war he joined the army and remained in uniform until after the formal surrender of both Germany and Japan. Appointed by Governor James H. Duff as Sheriff when the incumbent, David Vaughn of Nanticoke, died, Mr. Sherrock won the Republican nomination and went on to victory in the 1947 elections. Several weeks ago he was unanimously endorsed for a second term by

ATTENDS TO DUTY



SHERIFF ROBERT SHERROCK

committeemen and the county executive committee.

A former State Director of National Sheriff's Association and a member of the Legislative Committee of the Pennsylvania Sheriffs Association, Mr. Sherrock also is associated with Hazleton Post 76 of the American Legion, Drake-Wear Post 589 of the Veterans' of Foreign Wars at Hazleton, Hazleton Kiwanis Club, Knights of Columbus, Hazleton Chamber of Commerce, Hazleton Elks Lodge 200, and the congregation of St. Mary's Greek Catholic Church, Hazleton.

Distinction won by state-wide association with civic enterprises recently brought to Sheriff Sherrock appointment to the honorary duties of a citizen and public officer in Civil Defense. In that group he will have charge of the activities that will represent the Pennsylvania Sheriffs' Association and the National Association of Sheriffs in formulating policies for emergency guardianship and rescue of civilians in the event of any enemy attack upon this commonwealth.

—Advertisement.

**Christian Herald Writer Warns
Of Hoodlum Crime In Small Towns**

New York, July 9—Small town and crossroads village are open to a new terror—crimes against people. Writing in *Christian Herald* magazine for July, Howard Whitman starkly warns that we have passed from the era of big city dealers in violence to the era of muggers, rapists, molesters of children and psychopathic killers who strike anywhere and everywhere.

"The professional gangster, vile though he was, didn't pick on women and children," the noted author points out. "Today's hoodlum does, and his depredations are as likely to burst forth in the most gentle, well-ordered community as in a swarming city."

America's frightening crime pattern has increased faster in rural areas than in heavily populated districts, the *Christian Herald* story shows. F. B. I. reports for 1950 indicate a city crime upswing of 0.4% against a rural increase of 4.4%.

Small Towns Complacent

Mr. Whitman's findings are the result of a two-and-a-half-year survey that took him across the country. He talked with judges, police officials, clergymen, educators and parents. He found small towns shockingly complacent.

"Each time I dug into serious crimes in the smaller cities and towns, I found the local residents incredulous," he reports. "They believed Los Angeles, Chicago and New York had a corner on crime. They had been lulled by the wishful lullaby, 'It can't happen here.'"

It did happen in Burley, Idaho, town of 5300 inhabitants, he shows. Seven-year-old Glenda Joyce Briscois was found dead in an irrigation ditch, criminally attacked, her head streaked by three deep crimson gashes. "A man in a car called to Glenda," her playmate broke the news. "He talked to her a little bit, and then Glenda got in the car and the man drove away."

Police departments have added a new phrase—"Automobile Sex-kidnaping"—to their lexicon of offenses, Mr. Whitman reports. He states that smaller communities are even more vulnerable to it than our mammoth cities, because women and children in small cities and towns more frequently walk along sparsely settled roads on their daily chores. There are easily accessible back roads and deserted barns to which the criminal can flee with his victim.

"In my coast-to-coast survey I found the pattern repeated hundreds of times," Mr. Whitman writes. "Nearly every community had its example of automobile sex-kidnaping, the hoodlum era's horrible successor to kidnaping-for-ransom."

"In Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, a seven-year-old girl was abducted in a car, attacked, and left semi-conscious in a haystack in near-zero weather. In Whittier, California, a forty-five-year-old woman was snatched into a car by five young hoodlums. In Lake Placid, New York, a six-year-old girl was assaulted by a man who picked her up in a station wagon outside St. Agnes Church just ten days before Christmas—on the pretext that he was 'one of Santa's helpers!'"

Christian Herald's story lists the "no reason attack" as today's second most prevalent crime. Psychiatrists agree that violence has become a neurotic end in itself.

Assault for Thrill

Says Mr. Whitman, "I found cases where mere kids of 12 to 16 have swooped down upon innocent pedestrians and beaten them up just for a thrill."

Near Holland, Missouri, a 15-year-old farm boy sawed the lock off a railroad switch and wrecked an oncoming passenger express. The engineer was killed, the fireman seriously injured. "I just wanted to see a train wreck," the boy told police.

The major by-product of the hoodlum era is murder, Mr. Whitman finds. Since World War II the toll has run from 6,990 to 8,442 annually. Murder victims were once rival gunmen. Today they are often innocent people minding their own business. During an average day, 293 people are killed or assaulted, 162 are robbed, 1,100 burglaries are committed, and 45 women and girls are raped—somewhere in the United States.

What You Can Do

"You can help to keep the scourge from your town," Mr. Whitman declares in *Christian Herald*, and makes three suggestions.

First, get acquainted with your police chief. "You and your neighbors," says Author Whitman, "can help your police department increase its coverage by doing part-time volunteer work. I do mean actual crime fighting or patrol—but indoor work, clerical work, licensing, switchboard operating, report making, filing and the dozens of routine chores which sap so much of the strength of a police department. For each hour of work you do, you release a trained police officer for crime prevention duty on the streets. Talk with your chief. See how he thinks you can help."

Second, encourage the protection of crime victims from any and all notoriety. A town can't fight crime if it doesn't know what crimes are being committed. Thousands of crimes, especially those against children, are never reported to the police, and dangerous criminals are free to roam at will. An estimated 50% of rape cases are never reported to the police, and in cases of molestation of children, probably eighty to ninety percent are not reported, Mr. Whitman found. Victims shy away from the mire of cheap publicity. Their anonymity must be protected.

Step number three is education—of parents, children, and even of police. Squeamishness is a luxury that threatened people can no longer afford.

He suggests that a competent speaker, doctor, psychologist, or trained police officer, be scheduled to address the local P. T. A. Parents

**Republican Candidate
FOR
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JOSEPH F. BONFANTI

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**TO THE VOTERS
of
LUZERNE COUNTY,
Pennsylvania . . .**

I wish to call your attention to the fact that I am a candidate for the office of Sheriff of Luzerne County at the coming election. While holding the office of constable of Kingston Township in the past I endeavored to conduct the office with dignity, fidelity and justice to all. This, I think, I have fulfilled conscientiously, and if I am successful in the election I will faithfully perform the duties of the office with honesty and equality. I, therefore, solicit your vote and earnest support.

Thanking you, I am
Respectfully yours,

LOUIS BANTA

themselves must educate their children to life's dangers. "Probably half of the sex crimes of recent years could have been avoided if the innocent child had known at least enough to protect himself from falling into a trap," the *Christian Herald* article says.

Police are accustomed to crimes against property, larcenies and burglaries. They must be educated too on crimes against people. "Perhaps your town could send an outstanding local officer to a first-rate police academy such as the F. B. I. National Academy in Washington, for a full course or even for two weeks," Mr. Whitman suggests. "When he returned he could brief the rest of the force. It would pay dividends."

Hoodlum crime will not be curbed by waiting, warns *Christian Herald*. "If we do nothing, it will get worse. The hopeful part of the picture is that we need not do nothing. There is a job for each of us."

Read the Classified Column

**Voters Of
Dallas Twp.**

There are usually a lot of candidates for all offices, at the primaries.

Before you choose the man you vote for—**LOOK INTO HIS RECORD OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LIFE.**

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**Clara Ohlman's Brother
Dies While On Visit**

Mrs. Harry Ohlman's brother, Clarence F. Johnson, 68, here in the East on a visit to his mother and relatives, died suddenly in Wilkes-Barre Monday morning.

The body was sent to Cincinnati for burial yesterday, after private funeral services at a funeral home in Wilkes-Barre.

Born in Wilkes-Barre, he has

been a resident of Cincinnati for the past 35 years.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth; two sons, Gerald and Melvin; sisters and brothers, Mrs. Harry L. Ohlman, Dallas; Mrs. George Fogg, Mrs. Herman Mailander and Mrs. Mildred Strittmatter, Wilkes-Barre; Mrs. H. M. Young, Kingston; Edward, Albert and Paul, Wilkes-Barre; his mother, Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Wilkes-Barre; four grandchildren and one great grandchild; several nieces and nephews.



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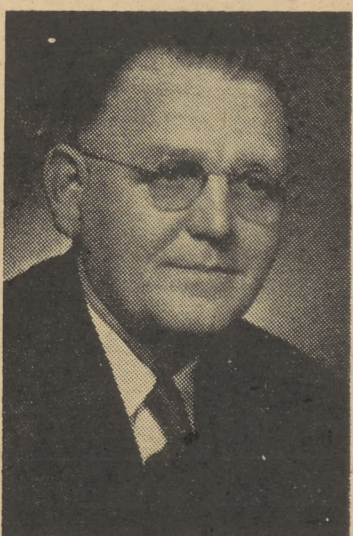
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