

FROM
PILLAR TO POST

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

Modernized kitchens and laundries are wonderful, but to mothers of young children they pose problems and provide hazards. We just had a letter from a daughter in Maryland that brought the hair right up on top of the head like a nylon brush.

The letter said: "When Dickie came up out of the basement without Scottie trailing him, I knew something was wrong, because the boys are inseparable. So I investigated, and fortunately I got there in time."

When Persis looked around the basement playroom and over beyond it to the furnace and the laundry equipment, there was no sign of Scotty. As she neared the electric dryer she heard a muffled sound and tore open the porthole door. Sure enough, there was Scotty, curled into the cylinder, his head wedged between his knees, and practically blue from lack of air. Four years old, he was able to tell what had happened, while two-year old Dickie remained inarticulate.

Experimenting, Scotty had found he could thread himself through the porthole into the dryer. Pulling in his last arm, he had invited Dickie to shut the door. Dickie, nothing if not amiable, had complied, and gone trotting off about his business. Bored by his loneliness, and with no older brother in sight to suggest activities, he had wandered desolately upstairs.

Provisionally, Dickie had not followed his mother's procedure in flipping the switch that would set the cylinder to revolving, or the other switch which would have turned on the heat.

We are now expecting to hear that another set of playful moppets have shut a willing victim into the dishwasher, sprinkled him with detergent, and turned on the works. We remember with a shudder one of our own horrifying experiences in bringing up a family. There were a good many such high spots, but this one stands out. We give the credit to the child's guardian angel for getting us to the sleeping porch in time to prevent her from starting on a perilous swaying journey to the tree house in the big elm.

The future mother of Scotty and Dickie and a more recent Wendy, wearing a size two sunsuit, sat on the window sill in a bushel basket, fifteen feet above the ground. Her older brothers, remembering summers spent on Cape Cod next door to a life-saving station, were arranging a breeches buoy effect for her accommodation.

The line, a length of thin twine, was already bent around an elm branch, clearing the tree house railing. The hurdle, another length of twine, ran from handle to handle of the basket, and another piece of string, fastened with a granny knot, fastened the hurdle to the line. The master of ceremonies raised his hand to give the signal. The boy in the tree house prepared to haul away. The passenger giggled and hugged her knees in the basket.

Gifted with second sight, we got there just as the basket was about to leave the ledge, grabbing it by one handle before the fatal jerk. We felt pretty limp, but not too limp to lay down a lot of law.

Acting in accordance with recent State legislation granting teacher salary increases, Dallas-Franklin Township Joint School District, on advice of the County Superintendent of Schools, E. S. Teter, will pay the additional wages on a prorated basis over the next eight months. No revision in the 1951-52 joint budget was needed as the directors had anticipated legislation allowing salary increases, and included this in the current budget.

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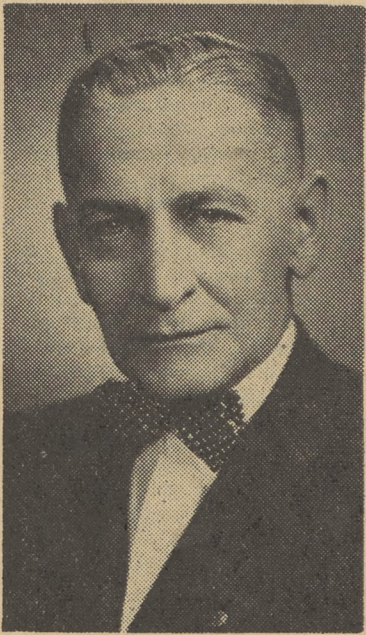
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BOX SCORE		
Back Mountain Highway Deaths and Serious Accidents Since V-J Day		
DALLAS	Hospitalized	Killed
DALLAS TOWNSHIP	10	13
LEHMAN	5	5
KINGSTON TOWNSHIP	42	5
JACKSON TOWNSHIP	2	1
MONROE TOWNSHIP	3	1
ROSS TOWNSHIP	2	1
LAKE TOWNSHIP	12	1
FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP	2	3
TOTAL	76	39

Paul M. Winter Seeks Seat In Next Congress

Shavertown Man's Petitions Are Now Being Circulated



PAUL M. WINTER

Petitions are being circulated for Paul M. Winter of Shavertown, as a candidate for the Republican nomination for Congress from the Eleventh District of Pennsylvania, which comprises Luzerne County. Mr. Winter has been a resident of the Back Mountain community for eighteen years and is known for his ability as a public speaker and for his opposition to communism in all of its forms.

From Revolutionary Stock Winter's ancestry in America dates prior to the American Revolution. His great-great-grandfather, Colonel Christian Winter, served with the Colonial Artillery from Lancaster, and was of Saxon origin. Both grandfathers served in the Union Army during the Civil War; one of whom, Miner Naugle, of Plymouth and Wyoming, was a Guard of Honor during the funeral ceremonies of Abraham Lincoln.

Military Background Paul M. Winter was born in Sunbury, the son of Prof. Irvin H. Winter and Elsie Naugle Winter; the former a teacher in the Coughlin High School for 23 years. He attended Wilkes-Barre elementary grades and graduated from Wilkes-Barre High School in 1914. He attended Pennsylvania State College until called to serve with the Third Pennsylvania Field Artillery for Mexican Border Service; later on detached service with Gen. Pershing's Army in Mexico. He completed his education in 1928 at Columbia University of Science with a degree of Ph.D. in psychology and sociology.

He enlisted in the Regular Army, April 15, 1917 for World War I and served 28 months, including overseas service in England, France, and Germany. Following his return, he served as lieutenant with the 109th Field Artillery. He married Margaret Barber Scheffler, of Bath, Pa. in 1922, and is the father of eight children: five sons and three daughters. Three sons served overseas in World War II; one, Richard S. Winter, was an officer with the 15th Air Force and received the DFC and citations; the second, Paul L. Winter, with the Seabees in the Pacific, and the third, Allen T. Winter served as staff sergeant with the Third Army under General Patton.

The candidate had experience as a reporter on the Wilkes-Barre Record, and was president of the Law Enforcement League of Pennsylvania in 1930-31. He worked in the anthracite mines on the engineering corps of the Hudson Coal Company, and spent nine years as industrial sales engineer for Cities Service Oil Company. At present engaged as manufacturer's agent for anthracite heating equipment.

Has Received Honors His military service earned him the Victory Medal, World War I; Mexican Border Medal, and Mexican Service Medal. For cooperation with the Polish Army under Gen. Joseph Haller in France during World War I he received the Star of Volynia, issued by the Legion of Volynia, Poland, and also the Volunteer's Cross issued by the Legion of Volynia. Was on the reception committee for General Haller when he visited Luzerne County in 1923.

For his anti-Communist activities he has received numerous educational and religious honors including the Meritorious Cross of the Royal and Sovereign Order of Piast, Poland; Chevalier of the Order of the Crown of Thorns; Correspondent of the College Heraldique de France; Chevalier of Honor and Devotion of

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FEBRUARY HAS FIVE FRIDAYS ONLY THREE TIMES IN A CENTURY

February 1952 is distinguished by not only its extra day for Leap Year, but by its having five Fridays. It has been twenty-eight years since Dallas Post subscribers have received five issues of the paper in the month of February. The last time was in 1924, the next time will be in Leap Year, 1980, with a twenty-eight year gap between that and February 2008.

Stainbrook Says Traps Are Set

Commission Meets Wednesday

Sixty-two salaried officers of Pennsylvania Game Commission will meet Wednesday afternoon at offices in Forty Fort to discuss measures for isolating the rabies-ridden districts of Pennsylvania and preventing spread of the disease.

Carl Stainbrook reports that seven trappers started working around the perimeter of the affected district Thursday morning, and will work inward from stations in Bradford, Sullivan, Columbia, and Luzerne counties, employing back-firing tactics as in control of a forest fire. In these designated areas, he says, no rabid animals have been found.

Westmoreland Band Banquet Saturday At 6

Westmoreland Band Association plans a dinner for band members and cheer leaders tomorrow night at 6 in the Westmoreland High School cafeteria. Bert Fennel will be master of ceremonies. Dancing will follow in the gymnasium.

Dispose Of Rabid Animals With Care

How to dispose of an animal carcass suspected of having rabies has been a matter of inquiry in the Back Mountain since the present rabies epidemic started. Edward J. Pugh, acting manager of Kirby Health Center, principal health officer of Wilkes-Barre, and head of the laboratory, explains procedure.

In detaching the head for shipment to the State Laboratory in Harrisburg, he says, use great care in sawing through the neck vertebrae. The spinal fluid has a greater concentration of virus in it than the saliva. A drop of it in the eye can easily induce rabies, as the eye is so close to the brain that inoculations would not be able to counteract the effect.

The mail will not accept a head for shipment. It must be sent by express or special messenger. The head should be packed in a metal container, in borax. A second container with sawdust and ice

Rabies Round-up For Back Mountain Shows Four Victims Taking Shots

Mrs. Richard Culver, nurse who saw Mrs. Harold Dixon through the last twenty-four hours of her life at Nesbitt Hospital last Thursday, is taking the Pasteur treatment, a course recommended because of certain abrasions on her hands which might have become infected.

Donald Derby, in spite of constant rumors that the course of treatment is going hard with him, seemed in good health and spirits when he entered Job Hadsell's store in Beaumont Tuesday evening. He was bitten by a mad fox February 5 while changing a tire in front of Polackek's gas station in Demunds.

Mike Krupsha, bitten the same night by the same fox on the heel, is just about finished with his shots.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kitchen, en route to Beaumont from Idetown, encountered a fox Wednesday night at 7:30. Mr. Kitchen swung the car to hit the fox, ran over it, backed up to finish it off, and lost sight of it. Donald Bennett, running out from his house with a flashlight and shovel, saw the fox hanging from the emergency brake cable. Kitchen started the car with a jerk, dislodging the fox. Bennett dispatched it with the shovel.

Claude Campbell, Clark Summit, is taking shots for mad dog bite. Losing his dog while hunting near Loyalville, Campbell was recalled to Loyalville when the dog turned up in Derwood Kocher's yard. When Campbell started to put his dog in a crate to take him home, Kocher said, "Watch out how you handle that dog. He's vicious."

"He wouldn't harm a fly," laughed his owner, and with that the dog bit his hand.

Campbell shot the dog and sent the head to Harrisburg. Upon learning that the brain was positive rabies, Campbell started his fourteen shots.

Mrs. Edward Atkins of De

Munds couldn't bring herself to run over a large fox which challenged her passage in the family car on Friday. It escaped. She reports that she has seen several foxes, and thinks they may breed in the rocky caves in the woods between the Atkins and the Nesbitt property.

Three foxes were shot on Louise Miller's place on route 309 on Tuesday.

A fox was shot on Center Hill Road, Dallas, by Chief Russell Honeywell.

John Honeywell, Russell's brother, shot a fox near the Sheldon Mosier place, Sunday morning. Jim Beseker, driving past in his car, reports that the fox was large, but very thin, and that its mouth was covered with white foam.

A sick dog belonging to Pinebrook Inn, Demunds, was shot in Myra Carlin's back yard Wednesday morning. Noting that the animal was acting strangely and making attempts to get into the house, Myra called Wilson Ryman and the State Police. Ryman killed the animal.

A large cat belonging to Paul Warriner, Demunds, dragged itself into the yard Saturday morning with a badly lacerated hind leg, obviously bitten. Mrs. Warriner went to Dallas to avoid seeing her pet shot.

Mrs. Ralph Kauffman, Demunds, stepped out on her porch to investigate a high, whining snarl, and a huge fox leaped against the screen. Mrs. Joseph Yatcho, a newcomer to Shavertown, saw a fox slinking along Toby's Creek on Saturday.

A trapper working between Milton Bradbury's place in Carverton and East Dallas has bagged four foxes during the week. He has been trapping for several years.

Trapping on the Nesbitt Farm has netted nothing for six weeks, though ten were caught in early winter. No foxes have been sighted there.

demis under control, Back Mountain residents should take sensible precautions. Folks whose backyards border woodlands should carry a club when doing chores.

If a fox should leap, and no weapon is available, a coat thrown over the animal will confuse it long enough to make escape possible.

Once a fox is attacking, a gun is practically useless, but a loaded gun should be kept available in case of a fox circling the premises. Any fox which comes brazenly out into the open is presumably mad.

Area police officers or constables will render assistance. Russell Honeywell in Dallas, Francis McCarty, Louis Banta or Charles Metzger in Kingston Township, James Gansel in Dallas Township, Byron Kester in Franklin Township, are the men to call.

At Harveys Lake it is Fred Swanson; Jackson Township, Dennis Bonning; Lehman, Joseph Ide,

Smith To Head Sixth Annual Library Auction

Cancer Information Center Will Open In Library Annex

Henry "Chick" Smith will head the Sixth Annual Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction and Henry Jones will be co-chairman. Miss Frances Dorrance, president of the Association announced Tuesday night at the monthly meeting of the Library Board.

Both men have been active supporters of the Auction for a number of years. Mr. Jones serving as co-chairman and Mr. Smith as a member of last year's new goods committee.

It was also announced that the annual Auction Dinner will be held at Irem Temple Country Club in May with Mary Weir and Mrs. A. D. Hutchison as co-chairmen.

The Board approved the use of the Library Annex for a Cancer Information Center under the sponsorship of the American Cancer Association with Mrs. Harry Ohlman as chairman. Facilities will be provided for making and storing dressings and a telephone will be installed for the use of those seeking cancer information.

Henry Peterson of the music committee announced that Dallas Senior Woman's Club has purchased a new \$800 spinnet piano for use in the annex.

Bids were opened for painting the main library and the annex and for installation of gutters and leaders on both buildings. Contracts were not immediately awarded but the work will start just as soon as weather permits.

Bids were also opened for the installation of a new heating plant in the main library building and for reconstruction of a cellar wall and new chimney. No action was taken on either item, both being referred to the building committee for further consideration.

Alice Howell, chairman of the house committee, reported that the community is making full use of the Annex with practically every afternoon and evening taken up by different Back Mountain organizations, preference being given organizations that serve the entire area.

The Board emphasized that no groups of children will be permitted to meet in the Annex without adult supervision as specified in the house rules which were approved at an earlier meeting.

Henry Peterson, treasurer, reported \$2,200 in the treasury before payment of January bills.

Attending were: Charles W. Lee, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Mrs. Arch Brooks, Harry Ohlman, Howard Risley, Mrs. Fred Howell, Miss Florence Dorrance, president; Miriam Lathrop, Librarian; and Mrs. Mitchell Jenkins, president of the Book Club. Absent were: Charles Nuss, Mrs. Lewis LeGrand and Mrs. Joseph Scherer.

Mothers Challenge Teachers At Lehman

Mothers will challenge ladies of the faculty at Lehman-Jackson school February 29th in a hard fought basketball game on the new gym floor. Later in the evening, fathers challenge faculty.

Four games in all are scheduled. 9th and 10th grades start play at 6; mothers and teachers at 6:30; 11th and 12th grades mix it at 7:35; and fathers play faculty at 8:45.

Funds go to equip a dental clinic. Anthony Marchakitis, physical education director, does not go on record as predicting how long the second and fourth games will last, but says the audience will get its money's worth.

Chairmen And Captains For Red Cross Drive

Mrs. Harry Ohlman and Mrs. Harris Haycox have been appointed co-chairmen of the Back Mountain Red Cross fund campaign.

They will be assisted by the following: Dallas Borough, Mrs. Milford Shaver and Mrs. Robert Van Horn; Dallas Township, Mrs. Fred Kiefer; Franklin Township, Mrs. Byron Kester; Jackson Township, Mrs. Earl Balliet; Lehman Township, Mrs. Orman Lamb and Mrs. Charles Nuss; Lake Township, Mrs. Harold Payne; Shavertown, Mrs. Byron Creasy and Mrs. Thomas Graham; Trucksville, Mrs. Joseph Blazes.

Fire Meeting Monday

There will be special entertainment at the meeting of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company in the Library Annex on Monday evening.

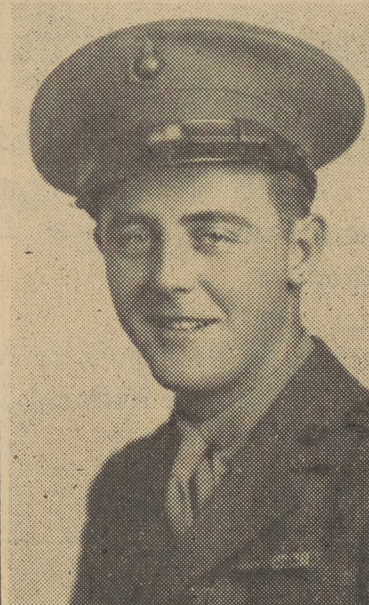
Whitesell Brothers Open Big Housing Project



HOWARD WHITESELL



GEORGE WHITESELL (Father)



ELWOOD WHITESELL

Two ex-Marines who landed on Guadalcanal with the First Marine Division and wondered then whether they would ever again see the Back Mountain country are sponsoring one of the biggest privately owned housing projects in the Back Mountain area.

They are Elwood and Howard Whitesell who enlisted together, went through Parris Island together and fought shoulder to shoulder through the Guadalcanal, Cape Gloucester and Pelieu campaigns—battles that added lustre and glory to the famous First Division.

Almost as soon as they were discharged the boys entered business together with their father, at first operating a wood working shop where they made storm sash and

custom built interiors for kitchens. Shortly they embarked in home construction and have been in it ever since, building more than seventy homes in the Back Mountain area and Wyoming Valley.

Now they have opened the 180-home Oak Hill Development at Idetown and expect to have twenty houses up this year. Ten miles of new roads are being built so that each home will have fronting on a new street.

A complete new water system will supply the homes with the purest mountain water from a 228-foot well already sunk by Dean Shaver.

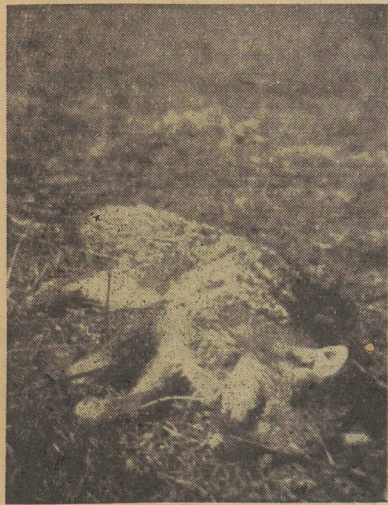
No lot at Oak Hill, which lies along the Huntsville Road just off

Memorial Highway at Idetown, will be less than 100 by 150 feet. Most of the century old oak trees have been left standing to afford shade and beauty for the lots. Each home will be landscaped by Rave's Nursery, also owned by a pair of Back Mountain brothers.

The entire project is restricted, and in the words of Howard, "there will be no cows in the backyards."

Ten styles of homes will be available to prospective owners and it is hoped that four homes will be completed each month, ranging in price from \$8,500 to \$15,000, and meeting all Veterans' Administration specifications.

Several cellars have already been dug and more than 1,700 feet of road has been cleared.



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