

"You cannot bring about prosperity by discouraging thrift. You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot further the wage earner by pulling down his wage payer. You cannot further the brotherhood of man by encouraging class hatred. You cannot help the poor by discouraging the rich. You cannot establish sound security on borrowed money. You cannot keep out of trouble by spending more than you earn. You cannot build character and courage by taking away man's initiative and independence. You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do for themselves."

—ABRAHAM LINCOLN

THE CHOICE OF TWO PARTIES

Seldom have the American people had an opportunity to vote for a President who was the choice of two great political parties.

This time they have that privilege. General Dwight Eisenhower was offered both the Democratic and Republican nominations.

He chose to become the standard bearer of the Republican party and received it over the opposition of old line politicians because of the tremendous groundswell of approval by all Americans—Democrats as well as Republicans.

Eisenhower chose the Republican rather than Democratic philosophy because he believes in individual freedom as opposed to the all-powerful super state.

That choice makes the difference in the reaction of Democratic politicians, but it has made no difference in the character of General Eisenhower. He is still the great leader, the great humanitarian and great administrator who led the World's greatest army to victory in Europe—without a word of censure of his conduct.

Would that the little men who applauded him then—and before the nomination—but who have since sought to defend him—could point to such a record! Eisenhower brought honesty and honor to the office of Supreme Commander. They have debased the greater office of President of the United States and have put cheap politics above country and integrity.

These hacks would have free-born Americans believe that Eisenhower has neither the ability nor character to unite all Americans—labor, farmers, industrialists—in a common front against the enemies of the Republic from within and without. What are they talking about after seven years of Truman and Acheson?

Here is a man who has been proved by great responsibility—not a bankrupt haberdasher, a Pendergast heeler, loyal only to his friends, corrupt or otherwise—but as a leader of men loyal to a cause above all else!

Here is a man who has brought diverse armies and divergent countries into powerful union behind a common cause in Europe. His philosophy has been "Unite and Win" for individual freedom rather than "Divide and Rule" for personal or political power.

But individual freedom is a phrase and a philosophy some in America cannot understand. They would have you believe that the only blessings—the only good—comes from the Democratic Party; that an individual's possessions, home, attainment of goals, health, morals, security—but not yet life itself—come from centralized power and the super state. That before 1932 the United States was the dark continent without its Washingtons, Jeffersons, Lincolns, Websters, Clays and Wilsons; without its pioneers building cities and conquering new frontiers.

They would hoodwink you into believing that the State created man, rather than man the State. They forget—or never knew—that the State can give back only what it takes away!

For the past seven years they have taken away our respect for men in high office and our confidence in the Washington administration and substituted in its place a shoddy code of morality that now festers in every phase of American life.

They cannot give us back what they have taken away. Only General Eisenhower and a new administration picked by him can restore our faith in the integrity of our leaders.

General Eisenhower can restore our confidence in them and in ourselves and in our ability to face the entire world without cringing.

I place economy among the first and most important virtues and the public debt as the greatest of dangers to be feared. To preserve our independence, we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. We must make our choice between economy and liberty, or profusion and servitude. If we run into such debts, we must be taxed in our meat and drink, in our necessities and in our comforts, in our labors and in our amusements. If we can prevent the Government from wasting the labors of the people under the pretense of caring for them, they will be happy. The same prudence, which in private life would forbid our paying our money for unexplained projects, forbids it in the disposition of public money.

—THOMAS JEFFERSON (1818)

FROM

PILLAR TO POST

By MRS. T. M. B. HICKS

The more Hallowe'en parades and school Hallowe'en parties I attend, the more I am convinced that girls of high school age need instruction in ballet dancing, or if family taboos forbid dancing, call it recreational therapy. Up to the fifth and sixth grade, little girls and boys march along without self-consciousness, backs straight, feet touching the pavement lightly, arms swinging freely.

Beginning with the seventh grade, muscles rippling with leashed energy, back straightened, chests expanded.

That's normal, and to be expected. It's the girls we are worried about. What is it that turns happy and energetic little girl into a changeling, converts a child with flying feet into a girl who can't lift her toes off the floor?

And don't bother to give us that old eye-wash about adolescence. Toward full maturity, lassitude gone,

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Two Area Men Will Head Boy Scout Council

J. S. Mitchell, Orange
Will Be President; Bob
Weaver, Vice President

Two Back Mountain men will assume high offices in Wyoming Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America next January 1. They are John S. Mitchell, Orange, who will become president and H. Robert Weaver, Dallas, who becomes vice-president.

Mitchell, the father of three boys in Scouting is a graduate of Washington & Lee University. At present he is a member of the Scouts' Executive Board and has been active in the development of Camp Acahela, the Council's summer camp. His business is in Pittston, where he is an executive of a wholesale grocery concern.

Weaver is a former Scout and veteran camper in the local Council and for the past year has served as chairman of the Activities Committee and a member of the Board. He, too, sees the Scout program at work in his home, his oldest son having entered the Cub Scout program a few months ago. A graduate of Lehigh University, he is president of Wilkes-Barre Clay Products Company.

They were elected at the Annual business meeting and planning conference of the Council held last Monday evening at the Wyoming Seminary Day School.

Parade Starts Tonight At 7

Many Local Concerns
Contribute To Prizes

Financial contributors to tonight's Back Mountain Hallowe'en Parade include: Dallas Borough, Dallas-Franklin Township, and Shavertown PTA's; Dallas Rotary and Kiwanis; American Legion, Harveys Lake Lions, Dallas Women's Club, Juniors and Seniors.

Acme Market, Carl Merritt, Dallas Water Company, Joe Hand, Don Evans, Dallas Hardware, Caddy La-Bar, Herbert Lundy, Clyde Cooper, First National Bank, Robert Hislop, Charles Gregory, Harry Smith, Bert's Drug Store, L. L. Richardson.

Back Mountain Lumber Company, Dallas Dairy, Arlean Bowman, Sick's Store, Kuehn's Drug Store, Grace Cave, Hislop's Economy, Henry's, Commonwealth Telephone Company, Duke Isaacs, White's Hardware, F. A. O'Neill, Dodson and Hudak, Phil Cheney, Flannigan's Furniture, Robert Hale, J. F. Besecker, Casper's Drive-In.

Judges are Clarence Laidler, Dave Williams, Charles Roberts, Sheldon Mosier, Harry Schooley, John Roser, Mrs. Alice Yapple, Mrs. Freda Hughey, Raymond Kuhnert, Mrs. Hannah James, Mrs. Arline Rood, Mrs. Antoinette Mason, Mrs. W. E. McQuilkin, Mrs. Louise Colwell, Mrs. Harriet Stahl, Mrs. Jeanne Jones, Miss Cornelia Davis, Mrs. Ruth Novy, Mrs. Rachel Porter, and Charles James.

Parade will start at 7 sharp from formation point on Lake Street, pass the reviewing stand in front of Oliver's Garage, make the circuit of Main, Mill and Memorial Highway, and pass the reviewing stand again, disbanding immediately thereafter. Dallas-Franklin Township Band will lead.

Herman Kern will lead community singing, accompanied by Jack Titus on the piano accordion. Francis Ambrose and Henry Peterson are co-chairmen.

HALLOWE'EN VANDALS ENDANGER MOTORISTS; OBSTRUCT HIGHWAYS

Hallowe'en vandals, boys of high school age from the Dallas Heights area, kept police and property owners on the hop Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Without regard for the safety of motorists, they dragged stumps and rocks out onto the highway at the intersection of Pinecrest and Huntsville Road.

Then they rolled a concrete pipe, three feet in diameter down Huntsville Road where it struck a telephone pole below Norton Avenue which fortunately prevented it from rolling down to Main street where it might have struck an automobile, a pedestrian or crashed into Flannigan Furniture Store windows.

DON'T LET THEM TAKE IT AWAY

Now is the time for the Women of America to pit our strength in an all out effort to defend NOT the Republican Party—NOT the Democratic Party—but our own flesh and blood, which we have sacrificed for years on end, for what!

I am not speaking about the Revolutionary War—where the "Essence of Freedom" was won—or the Civil War—where the "Equality of Man" was defended because men knew it was RIGHT, but I am speaking about the present "Police Action" in Korea, which is a continued hamburger social, from profits jostled from World War II, with our own flesh and blood as the ammunition.

Oh, yes, I know what I am talking about, and it is the first time in the history of my existence that I have made my outcry—at election time... why?

Because my two sons are in Korea today—the only two boys I have—fine, strong, clean young men—sitting in filth, serving their time, and all the while our Chief says, "There is no war!"

Women—look at your boys—from one to fifteen years of age. Think of them in a few short years, coming out of high school with no jobs, draft age and no plans but military objectives!

Do you think that it is only because my sons are in Korea that I'm fighting? Oh, no—I have endured the ravages of war for years. I had two brothers in the First World War—several nephews and my own son-in-law in the Second World War—and now two sons in Korea—but that isn't all. I visited my daughter recently and looked into the eyes of my grandson, six years of age, and then the pot boiled over. How long, I thought, will this holocaust last?

Women fought for years for their own rights, and won the right to vote. It isn't a matter of selecting the man who can throw the most mud, or make the most promises, but we've got to have a military man who knows what the score is... a man who will salvage a normal life for our sons... a man who has the insight to create a solution to these inhuman wars.

It is like grasping for the last straw—to save our boys. It's only for four years, but it might be a woman's salvation, and a young man's dream come true.

Women use the rights you have won—and VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

A Lehman Mother

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Breaking It Gently: "Your House Was On Fire, But It's Out Now."

When Mr. and Mrs. Charles DeWees 3d walked into Hislop's Wednesday night to dial their home phone and let Dolly Spiel, the babysitter, know their whereabouts, a neighbor said, "It's OK, Mrs. DeWees, the fire's all out."

"What fire?"

"Oh, didn't you know your house was on fire?"

The DeWeeses generated sparks, flying up the hill to Shrine View. Everything was quiet, the Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company about to leave, the blazing box spring extinguished, sitting on the lawn after being hosed down by the fire department.

Dolly, 13, calm and collected after quick action which probably saved the whole house from going up in smoke, explained.

The boys, Curly and Fred, had been in bed and supposedly asleep. At 10:15 Dolly smelled smoke, Curly, 9, and Fred, 7, were trotting back and forth from kitchen to ground-floor bedroom with glasses of water. The burning candle, surrounded by a puddle of melted wax, was on the floor under the bed, and the box spring was blazing. Fred, the guilty party, had tried to put it out himself, recognized defeat, and alerted Curly in the next room.

Dolly called the fire department, and within five minutes everything was under control.

Fifteen minutes later, with the panicked parents bursting into the house, Fred was bedded down in Curly's room, and the baby, in a far room, had slept through screaming sirens and the entire fire-fighting activities.

Fred had carved a Hallowe'en pumpkin Wednesday afternoon. The fact that it lacked a candle was weighing upon him and keeping him awake. So he remedied matters, melting the end of a candle to imbed it in the pumpkin.

"This is the third fire he's started," explained Mrs. DeWees, "one in a wastebasket and one in

the middle of the kitchen floor."

"Have you a good stout paddle, or do you believe in self expression on the part of the young?"

"Believe me, that kid's rear is absolutely calloused. And he still finds matches around, goodness knows where. He puts a couple in his pocket, and they breed in there in the dark."

Memorial Rites For Capt. James This Afternoon

Pilot Swept Away
In Hudson River
After Plane Crash

Captain Alfred S. James, 32, abounding health and happiness last weekend when he visited his parents in Trucksville, will be honored in a Memorial service this afternoon in the chapel at Stewart Air Force Base. Up to time of publication, his body, swept away by a strong current in the Hudson River on Monday, had not been recovered.

The two-engined C-54 which he was piloting pancaked in the Hudson almost immediately after taking off from the air strip enroute to Burlington, Vt. The six occupants stood on the wing until the plane submerged, then dove into the icy stream. Three are listed officially as missing, three made it to shore, only 150 yards away, after battling the current to the point of collapse.

Captain James, with his wife and two little boys spent Saturday and Sunday in Trucksville, his boyhood home. A graduate of Kingston Township schools, he had played football on the team and had done outstanding work in art. He attended Wyoming Seminary following graduation.

He served overseas in Europe, receiving the Air Medal, Presidential Citation, ETO ribbon with four stars and bronze arrowhead for amphibious landing. In 1946 he was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant. He recently spent eighteen months in Korea, returning last spring, and was assigned to Lawson Field, Georgia.

A sister, Mrs. J. P. Wynngaarten, North Carolina, slated to accompany her husband, an officer in the Marines, to Italy late in November, arrived in Trucksville on Tuesday after being informed of the tragedy.

The family went to Stewart Air Base. Captain James' parents are Mr. and Mrs. A. S. James, Hillside Avenue, Trucksville. His widow is the former Doris Madden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Madden, Sloum Street, Forty Fort.

Forest Fires Break Out In Wyoming Area

Thick Haze Blankets
Region From Virginia
To Canadian Border

A thick haze hung over the Back Mountain Region on Monday blotting out surrounding hillsides and creeping down into the valleys causing scores of persons to telephone The Dallas Post to learn if there were nearby forest fires.

Inquiry at the Harvey Fire Tower back of Irem Temple Country Club revealed the Towerman (William Harlos) was in constant radio communication with other towers throughout the State, but that no forest fires of any consequence were then burning in Pennsylvania.

The explanation was that the haze was covering all of Pennsylvania as well as states from Virginia to Canada, and was probably drifting in from forest fires in Virginia and other nearby States.

Later in the day fires did break out in powder dry nearby woods. One fire, reported at 5:40 P.M. in the Carverton area burned over five acres before it was extinguished at 8 P.M. by two forest fires crews of six men each under the direction of Nelson Burgess of Carverton and Jake Novicky, fire wardens.

Another broke out at 12:05 and burned over sixty acres in the vicinity of Wyoming Camp Ground. Between forty and fifty men under the direction of Nelson Burgess, Vincent Ramage and Andrew Nagy, wardens, assisted by twenty marines and their captain stationed at the Marine Training Center, Wyoming, had the fire under control late last night.

While the Wyoming fire was in progress another broke out at 8:05 on Luzerne Mountain. This was brought under control by a crew under the direction of Jake Novicky after burning over three acres.

These fires were all within the area of the Harvey Tower.

Another serious fire under the jurisdiction of the Wyoming Tower at Mehoopany broke out Tuesday night after 5:30 in the Root Hollow area of Wyoming County. It burned over 100 acres with flames leaping high up the mountain side before it was extinguished.

Both towermen Harlos at Harvey Tower and Harry Bronson at Wyoming Tower reported that there had been relatively few forest fires in their areas until Tuesday, but that absence of rainfall made conditions treacherous.

BEAR AND HER TWO CUBS PUT ON ACT FOR FIRE TOWERMAN

Towerman Harry Bronson at the Wyoming Fire Tower, Mehoopany, reported this week that the lonely life of a towerman has had its compensations this fall, with the autumn foliage more beautiful than ever before.

The Wyoming Tower is located at the head of three ravines, Bowman Hollow, Root Hollow and Sugar Hollow. There the towerman has an unobstructed view for hundreds of miles of woodland.

Nearer at hand, however, in fact at the base of his tower, Bronson said, he had observed "quite a show" on several occasions this fall. A mother bear and her two cubs had put on their acts. "My how she hopped them around and cuffed them when the playful cubs misbehaved."

Lehman Senior Makes Good Showing As Judge

Darrel Major, president of the Lehman High School F. F. A., placed in the upper third as a judge of poultry at the National F. F. A. Convention held in Kansas City last weekend. Representatives who judged poultry, alive and dressed as well as eggs, came from every state in the Union.

Darrel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Major of Trucksville R.D. and member of the Senior Class at Lehman won the State F. F. A. judging contest held at Penn State College this spring.

The trip was made with several other boys and the agriculture teacher of Wellsboro. They enjoyed the Mississippi River, seeing great herds of steers, visiting the Chicago stock yards, spending a day on a huge ranch near Kansas City, and taking pictures of the Truman home in Independence, Mo.

Henry M. Laing Firemen Select New Fire Truck

Decide On Larger
American LaFrance
750-Gallon Model

Purchase of an American LaFrance 750-gallon capacity pumper was decided upon at Monday night's meeting of Dr. Henry M. Laing Fire Company in the Library Annex. Action was taken after a brisk discussion of relative merits of a smaller 500 gallon pumper, and opening of sealed bids for smaller models.

Henry Peterson gave it as his considered opinion that if a considerable expenditure is made to buy new equipment, it should be the best obtainable, holding that purchase-is-a community venture with the company responsible to the community for the best return on its investment. If the Fire Underwriters who made the survey state that the standard for communities of comparable size is a 750-gallon model, then nothing less should be considered.

Ohlman Sketches History

In making the motion for negotiation with American LaFrance, Harry Ohlman sketched progress of the fire department since 1939, with spectacular lowering of fire insurance rates since installation of fire plugs, bringing protected areas into class C.

A 750-gallon per minute pumper having been recommended, Mr. Ohlman suggested that it would be the height of folly to compromise with a smaller fire truck, which could result in increased fire insurance rates for the area.

Ben Edwards replied to this that the smaller models would have acceptance by underwriters, that the 160-horsepower models would in fact develop two hundred. The answer to this was that nobody knew what a new board of underwriters would do, and that the specified 200 horsepower to be a matter of record, not of assumption.

Prior to the motion to purchase a larger truck, it was moved that all bids for a 500 gallon pumper be scrapped and bids opened once more for a 750-gallon model. Crozier Williams suggested that bids were already at hand for 750-gallon pumpers, and there was no percentage in starting from scratch, as bids would doubtless be honored, even if somewhat dated.

Bid of American LaFrance was the highest, \$15,907 for a 750-gallon pumper developing 204 horsepower, but it was considered the best piece of apparatus offered, both in ease of handling and performance. It had been on display in Dallas the preceding Thursday night and several drivers had had a chance to sit at the wheel.

Following opening of sealed bids for 500-gallon pumpers, representatives from Mack and Ward LaFrance companies explained their specifications and answered questions, with Ward LaFrance representative slinging the hooks liberally into the Mack Company, and holding that what was good enough for New York City ought to be good enough for Dallas.

Fire Chief Besecker brought up the fact that a fire truck could be purchased from Civilian Defense, probably a GMC, and that the government would defray half the cost at the outset instead of half the cost after the entire amount had been paid. This truck, he said, would be complete with hose, nozzles, and all accessories, at a cost of approximately \$13,250.

Motions to jettison bids on 500-gallon pumpers and to select the American LaFrance model of 750-gallons were opposed, but carried by a majority.

Henry Peterson, presiding before arrival of Dan Richards, president, reminded members that with 1500 homes serviced in the community, a \$2 per year membership from each family would roll up a neat backlog for the fire company, making possible excellent upkeep and expansion.

Peterson reminded members that they would be responsible, as in former years, for helping marshal the Friday night Hallowe'en parade.

Besecker Reports

Chief Besecker, in giving his report, stated that there had been three fires since the last meeting, two grass fires and one at College Misericordia, which, due to wooden rafters and beams above the floors in the attic would have been disastrous if not brought under control and confined to the one room.

He also stated that due to recent fire drills and student instruction, Dallas-Franklin Township schools

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