

# Fin, Fur and Feather



## PUBLIC LAND OPEN TO HUNTING

While the number of Pennsylvania hunters is doubling in the past 30 years great acreages of open small game territory were being closed to shooting. In some cases hunting is prohibited now in whole townships. Mainly, housing developments, the building of highways and the expansion of industries caused the shrinkage of open land on which small game hunting could be enjoyed.

On the other hand, an up-to-date record shows well over 1,700,000 acres owned in the name of the game commission, or leased by the agency, open to public hunting. This is exclusive of refuges, safety zones, game propagation areas, etc. Included in this total are huntable acres on Farm-Game Projects and game land holdings. The latter are largely woodlands administered by the Game Commission. The total amount of Commission owned or leased areas aggregates of two million acres.

About 1,500,000 acres of state land managed by the Department of Forests and Waters are also open hunting territory, as are nearly one-half million acres of the Allegheny National Forest.

The total acreage, then, of public land on which Pennsylvania hunters may pursue their sport without fear of trespass is between 3 1/2 and 4 million acres.

## GIVE WILDLIFE A BRAKE

Persons who have studied the problem of wildlife kills on highways agree that a little caution by motorists would prevent much of the slaughter. Importantly, wild species slain on roads in spring and early summer account for a much greater loss than at other times because they represent brood stock.

Being unpredictable, some wildlife will run or fly to unpreventable destruction in front of a car or truck. In many cases, however, allowing just an extra second of time to clear the vehicle's path would make the difference between life or death for wild creatures.

Game authorities are conscious of the highway hazards humans also face. They make it clear no one should endanger life or property to avoid striking a bird or animal. However, if drivers who can do so safely will slow down much wildlife will be spared without risk to anyone.

## SPORTSMEN PLANT

To most people, mention of spring activities on the farm means soil tilling and planting. Crop harvesting suggests colorful fall scenery and bulging stores of ripened grains, fruits and vegetables.

But in recent years an increasing number of sportsmen's organizations, Boy Scouts, beagle clubs and others have engaged in planting. In their case grain and fruit crops are seldom harvested; they are planted largely to supply, where grown, food and protection needed by wildlife. In other words hunters, having a stake in the game crop, are participating in sound food and cover management practices to preserve and increase wild species.

Numerous organizations are

planting grains or food-bearing trees, shrubs and vines on their club property. Others, lacking land on which to plant, pay farmers to allow strips of grain to stand unharvested close to protective game cover along woodlands or hedges. Corn in the grain for which they usually contract because it provides the best winter food for a variety of wild creatures. In cases where protection is more necessary than food the emphasis is on establishing evergreen plantations, thickets, briar patches, and brush piles.

Some sportsmen's organizations have done food and cover development work on state or federal land. On such holdings, with proper consent and supervision, they have planted food strips, pruned apple trees and released food-bearing species from choking vegetation. Some enterprising clubs have planted game foods on the open strips along power lines and gas and oil rights-of-way, with permission.

Each year more sportsmen ask what they can do to improve hunting conditions in their own area. This shows they have learned the importance of food and cover to the production and survival of the game crops they enjoy harvesting with gun.

## GAME FUND GAINS

Deer hides collected by Game Commission personnel last fall and winter, have been sold to the highest bidder. The transaction netted the Game Fund \$2,831.80. The number of hides involved was 2,151.

The hides were from deer killed illegally in the 1953 season, a number of road-killed animals and many shot while destroying crops. In numerous instances, too, hunters turned deer hides over to the game protectors rather than waste them.

## WOODCHUCK AND COON HUNTING

Replying to inquiries, the Game Commission furnishes the following information:

Raccoons and woodchucks may be taken in unlimited numbers during the period closed to dog training. But it is unlawful to use dogs to hunt, chase or train upon these wild game species in that period—extending from the first day of April to the 31st day of July.

A 1953 hunting license must be owned and worn by persons hunting woodchucks, coons or any manner of wildlife, whether classed as game or predator, any time of year.

## New Members Received At Shavertown Church

The following new members were received into the fellowship of Shavertown Methodist Church on Sunday by the pastor, Rev. Robert DeWitt Yost:

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Coburn, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon F. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Frederick, Mrs. Donald E. Himlin, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Holdredge, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Kingsbury, Mr. and Mrs. Ross E. Kimball, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Maurer, Mrs. Eleanor A. Olenick, James Edward Olenick, David W. Powell, Mrs. Robert T. Price, and Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Williams.

# Bob Tales

By BOB

Those of us who often had coffee at Evans Restaurant with Paul Graver while he was working here in Dallas, find it hard to believe that such a quiet, mild-mannered fellow is now being held as the primary suspect in the Gilhool case.

The Republican organization claims it has eight workers in the Back Mountain area expounding the virtues of its candidate, Flack, and that it's a foregone conclusion who will win. I wonder.

A. J. ought to send WBRE-TV a letter of thanks. Now that they have a 7 a. m. program my set is on 17 hours a day. Wow, what an electric bill.

Westmoreland school directors' wives are wondering why their husbands are sprucing up more than usual for their regular meetings. Could be the newest director has something to do with it!

With the Wilkes-Barre papers on strike aren't you glad there's a Dallas Post?

Ask Sherm Harter to show you the Hula Dancer tie that Harry Peiffer gave him for his birthday... it's a lulu.

My daughter celebrated her 12th birthday this week. I can't believe it! I still feel like a young man but I guess I'm "over the hill". From now on I won't bother looking at a luscious blonde when she walks by.

Folks are seeing a lot more of the Evans Drug Store crew these days. With those new windows they're on display all the time.

One of our young Back Mountain attorneys was seen with his ex-wife this week. Could it mean there's a reconciliation in the offing? Gee, I sound like Walter Winchell on this one... Risley should pay me more.

The Yankees aren't going to win the pennant this year. Anyone want to bet?

Still have my little boy believing in Santa Claus but I'm hard put to it to get this Easter Bunny deal across.

Now that my ideal, Ben Hogan, has suffered defeat I won't feel so bad when Granville Sowden comes in with an 85 and I'm still in the 90's.

We have a new linotype operator at the Post this week, Clark Ruch, Jr. To see if he's any good just check this column for errors. I bet you won't find any.

The Major Brothers of Lehman, who just started their sporting goods store know a good promotion when they see one. They put ad handbills in the car of every fisherman at Harveys Lake the first day of trout season.

## Joy Class Appoints Committee For Tea

Joy Class, Kunkle Methodist Church, plans a Mother-Daughter tea May 4, 8 p.m., at Kunkle Community Hall. Committees were appointed at Tuesday night's meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Corey Besteder. Mrs. Thomas Landon and Mrs. Allen Brace hostesses.

Mrs. Wayne Elston is general chairman. Mrs. Fred Dodson heads program, assisted by Mrs. Dan Meecker and Mrs. Jack Birston. Mrs. Clyde Hoyt, decorations, Mrs. Harry Sweppenheiser, Mrs. Allen Brace, Mrs. Austin Wertman assisting; Mrs. James Knecht, refreshments, with Mrs. Thomas Landon, Mrs. James Miers, and Mrs. Gomer Elston; Mrs. Harry Haas and Mrs. Donald Ide, prizes; Mrs. Corey Besteder, publicity.

## THE DALLAS POST

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# ONLY YESTERDAY

From The Post of ten and twenty years ago this week.

## From the Issue of April 14, 1944

Independent Republicans unite behind Harold Flack. Rally at Kunkle deplors meddling by court house group.

Draft board calls fifty-seven local men.

Granville Carey will fill unexpired term of R. J. Culp on Jackson School Board.

Lehman organizes fire company.

Frank E. Matukitis, Dallas, wins Distinguished Flying Cross.

Edward Smith, Noxen, is missing in Italy.

In the Outpost: Tommy Evans, Italy; A. E. Brown, England; Norm Rosnick, Pacific; Herbert Goodwin, Anzio Beachhead; Joseph Wancho, Italy; Squire Williams, C-B-I Theatre; Lawrence Ide, Sardinia; Elwood Ide, Fleet; George Ray, New Guinea; Stan Hoyt, Alcan Highway; Richard Williams, New York APO; Emory Kitchen, New York APO; Art Hunsinger, South Pacific; Jay Gould, England; Howard Wilcox, Moses Lake AAB; Eric Weber, USN Frontier Base.

Mrs. Martha Bronson, Sweet Valley, is ninety years old.

Mrs. Maude Yeisley heads Rotary-Anns.

Jean VonDolteren, Savannah, weds Earl Williams, Trucksville.

## From the Issue of April 13, 1934

First scarlet fever fatality is Evelyn White, 5, Sweet Valley.

Calvin McHose is reelected to head Dallas Borough schools.

Sherman Christy Henning, 7, died in Trucksville.

Dallas Township estimates cost of high school addition.

Dallas-Tunkhannock highway in deplorable condition following bad winter.

Light snow blankets region.

Eggs, 20c per doz.; seedless raisins, 5c per pkg; celery, 3 bunches 25c; butter, 2 lbs. for 49c; lard, 2 lbs. for 15c; coffee, 19c per lb.; candy bars, 3c.

## Mary Magdalen Sholtis To Wed John L. Parrish

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mary Magdalen Sholtis, daughter of Mrs. Blanche Sholtis of Demunds Road, to Robert L. Parrish, son of John Parrish of Wyoming. A summer wedding is being planned.

Miss Sholtis is a graduate of Dallas Township High School and is employed as an assistant at Misericordia College. Mr. Parrish was also graduated from Dallas Township High School and is employed at Natona Mills.

# SAFETY VALVE

IN MEMORY OF FATHER

Editor The Post, Dear Sir:

I am thankful for the nice things you have done for me. To show my gratitude toward the people of Dallas who wrote to me, I am sending a book that has a bit of history and pictures of the oldest castle in Germany today.

I went through it and it is so nice I wish you could see it, but I know a lot of people around Dallas will never get an opportunity to see it, so when the book comes please put it in the Library for me as a memorial to my father, Merle Shaver.

Your friend, Pvt. Howard E. Shaver, US 5262268, APO 166, 22 QM Substist Supp. Co., C/O Postmaster, New York N. Y.

## APPRECIATE PUBLICITY

Dear Sir:

The Junior Class of Lehman-Jackson-Ross High School would like to express deepest appreciation to the whole newspaper staff for the wonderful job you did in advertising our play, "Stranger in the Night." It was a great success because of the wonderful cooperation we received from you. We thank you very much.

Sincerely yours, Junior Class, Of L. J. R. H. S.

Harrisburg, Pa.

Mr. Howard W. Risley, Editor, Dallas Post, Dear Sir:

I wish to commend you for the time and effort you have given to traffic safety in recent weeks. I have noticed with great interest the space devoted to safety in your paper and the interest shown by the business and professional men and women of your community in helping to sponsor safety ads in your paper.

It is very evident that they are aware that safety needs to be advertised and sold to some people in much the same manner you would sell them a commodity.

Transportation is our greatest asset and fast becoming one of our greatest problems for the reason that approximately 10% of all drivers of motor vehicles are involved in accidents resulting in the deaths of nearly 38,000 people yearly, plus nearly \$4,000,000,000 a year in accident costs.

I wish we had more people like you and the ones who are helping to sponsor safety ads in your paper. Your promoting of traffic safety is helping to bring about a better understanding and respect of traffic laws and more courtesy among drivers.

Please accept my thanks for your help in making your community and other communities in Pennsylvania a safer and better place to live and bring up our children.

Sincerely yours, Oliver H. Metcalf, Governor's Highway Safety Advisory Committee.

## ... and I quote:

"Adolescence is when daughter knows best." — William Franklin Gaines.

"A wife is a woman who can be very sweet when she wants." — Dan Bennett.

"The way of the transgressor is hard — especially on others." — Shannon Fife.

"America will continue to progress in social and economic freedom and strength as long as our young people are taught to cherish and defend their heritage." — Charles R. Slight, Jr.

"Some folks' idea of the curse of drink is having to pay for it." — H. G. Hutcheson.

"In Hawaii, men often make passes at girls who wear grasses." — Harry Rolnick.

As Steel Goes— The steel industry, without whose production most of the nation's factories would grind to a halt, has been spending \$1,300 a minute for the last seven years to expand its capacity even further. It has invested \$5,000,000,000 since the end of World War 2 on new facilities.

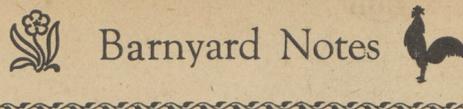
Decision is a sharp knife that cuts clean and straight; indecision, a dull one that hacks and tears and leaves ragged edges behind it. — Gordon Graham.

Merely having an open mind is nothing. The object of opening the mind, as of opening the mouth, is to shut it again on something solid. — Gilbert K. Chesterton.

It isn't enough for people to be proud of the place they live in. They have to live so the place will be proud of them. — Clarence Francis.

Our country, right or wrong. When right, to be kept right; when wrong, to be put right. — Carl Schurz.

# Barnyard Notes



We were about to go to press with another column this week when there arrived in the mail a letter from Bess Cooke enclosing Frank Brookhouser's "Man About Town" column from the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin with this note scribbled across it, "Howard Risley should see this column." We think you should see it too, so here it is.

## MAN ABOUT TOWN

By FRANK BROOKHOUSER

A mongrel dog named Terry will end a lot of lonely wandering this weekend.

He will rejoin his master way out in Racine, Wis., writing finis to a story almost unbelievable in its unusual developments and involving a number of kind people in this town—a story to warm the heart in a troubled time.

## This biggest journey of Terry's life will be made in style.

He will be flown from this city to his master on a United Airlines plane.

And that trip will end the traveling which began eight months ago for Terry, when he ran away from a place near Wilkes-Barre—no doubt looking for his master—and somehow found his way to Philadelphia.

Ironically enough, it was a tragic incident, almost claiming Terry's life, which has now set the stage for the happy reunion of a man and his dog.

Terry was struck by a car in Fairmount Park on March 20. He was with a small boy and another dog. They disappeared after the accident.

But Miss Ethel B. Thaw and Mrs. Ann Winkler, of 6308 Sherwood road, happened along. Both of them love dogs and they stopped their car, put Terry on a blanket, and took him to University of Pennsylvania's Veterinary Hospital.

The driver of the car which had hit the dog, Murray Harris, also loves them and he insisted that Terry have the best of care at his expense.

Terry was completely paralyzed on his right side, and it looked as though he would never be completely well again.

This made Miss Thaw and Mrs. Winkler more anxious than ever to find his owner.

Returning from the hospital, where they had made arrangements for Terry's care, they drove up and down streets near the accident scene looking for the boy.

And finally they made a telephone call to the Luzerne County courthouse in Wilkes-Barre, for the dog had a license from that county.

They found that Terry belonged to Donald Foote, of Hunlock Creek, Pa., and they sent two telegrams and two special delivery letters to Foote. These were forwarded to Racine.

And last Friday night Miss Thaw received a call from Foote. He was extremely happy to hear that Terry was still alive and had been located. "He must have talked \$200 worth," Miss Thaw says. And he asked that the dog be shipped to him, whether or not Terry was crippled for life.

"He's been too good a pal to forget him, now that I've found him again," Foote said.

Foote explained that he had moved to Racine from Hunlock Creek eight months ago, and had left Terry with a neighbor, who was to ship the dog to Wisconsin after his master was settled. The dog had run away and had found his way to Philadelphia. Foote didn't know this, of course.

All he had known was that Terry was lost and he would probably never see him again.

Miss Thaw and Mrs. Winkler offered to drive out to Wisconsin with Terry. Harris said he had to make a business trip to Chicago soon and would take him that far.

"No, I don't want to wait," Foote said. "Ship him by plane, as soon as he is well enough."

The doctors here had done their job well, with the help of wonder drugs, Terry, they said, would be all right again. He would not be paralyzed on one side for life. He was coming along fine.

And so, although Terry doesn't know it, he has the biggest thrill of his canine life coming up on Saturday.

He'll see his best pal and be with him for good—thanks to some Philadelphia people who know that any dog is just a little feller in a big tough world.

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## Lights On

By Dorothy Anderson

Will your lights go on, my brother, Brightly at the close of day? Will you join the mighty battle Wiping out dread cancer's sway? Will your lights go on, my brother, Will you help to fight the foe Whose unsuspecting victim You and I can never know?

Will your lights go on, my brother, Will you lend a helping hand, Bringing aid to countless thousands Stricken now throughout the land? Will you give your bit, my brother, Whether it be great or small, For those crying out in anguish, Will you heed their pleading call?

Will your lights go on, my brother, Will you join this great crusade? Your few coins may yet tomorrow Rescue dear ones from the grave. Will your lights go on, my brother? Harken to the dying plea— Wipe out cancer's deadly horror, Lest it next strike you or me.

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