

BLOOD IS LIFE

Blood is life. There is no substitute for it. No scientist has yet been able to manufacture it in a test tube.

You yourself are the marvelous laboratory in which blood is formed. You can give it generously to save another life, or you can selfishly withhold it, oblivious to another's need.

But if you withhold it after the first of March, you are incurring the grave danger of not being able to get it yourself when you desperately need it.

Duty is an unpalatable word. It is easy to allow a duty to drift to the back of the mind, with the idea that it can be examined later to determine its strength.

But danger is a personal affair. It can take your life from you, or that of your wife or your children.

If you do not join a Blood Insurance group before the deadline, you are in danger.

If you sign with one of the groups, you are automatically protected at once. You will not be asked for a blood donation very often. If you are in poor health, or under age, or over sixty, you will not be asked for a donation at all. More robust friends and neighbors will protect you by giving their own blood.

But if you are in good health, able to give blood, you will not be willing to let somebody else do your job for you. It is a matter of pride that you stand on your own feet, just as it is a matter of pride that you pay your debts. You have a debt to society.

Too many of us have allowed Blood Donor Days to come and go without going to the Blood Bank.

Somebody else has protected us. We have stayed away because it was snowing, or because we had to go shopping, or because the children were expected home from school.

What we have carefully concealed from ourselves is that we do not like to be pricked, so we let somebody else get pricked.

That is the plain truth. We take our children to the doctor as a matter of course to get the necessary shots for whooping cough and tetanus. It's too bad that Johnnie has to get those shots, but it is for his protection, so we hold his hands and feet and he yells for a minute, and all is over.

Children have to be coerced for their own good. We are adults, and we can march up to the needle by ourselves, in order to afford protection for our children, and our families, and our neighbors who are too old to contribute—

And ourselves.

Some of the folks approaching the donation deadline of sixty years, have been protecting you for years. Some of them are past the deadline and can no longer donate.

It is high time that the thirty-to-forty age group takes over the job and that the twenty-to-thirty age group recognizes the responsibilities of adulthood.

Donation Day at Dallas Borough School next Friday, 1:30 to 7:30.

THIS, TOO, IS IMPORTANT—

There is a possibility that the Teen-Age Baseball League may have to fold up this season. If it does it will be because of the indifference of the very people—mainly parents—who should be most vitally concerned with its continuance.

The Teen-Age League forms an important recreational gap in the Back Mountain area. In the past it has taken care of about 100 boys in the age group barred from competition in Little League and not yet mature enough to play on Bi-County or Industrial League teams.

These are the very youngsters who need encouragement to become more proficient players, but more important they need an outlet for their busting energy.

Juvenile delinquency is no problem in the Back Mountain area. We hesitate to mention it in the same breath with an editorial on Teen-Age Baseball—but if it ever does become a problem it will be because of our own indifference in providing healthy outlets for youngsters in the Teen-Age bracket.

If you're a parent of a boy who likes baseball, or if you enjoy the company of boys, why not attend the meeting of Teen-Age League officials at Back Mountain YMCA in Shavertown next Wednesday night at 8 and see what you can do to help keep this League alive? Maybe the League can do something for you as well as the boys. It's worth a try.

Borough's Ash Supply Is Low

Eipper's Crew Worked All Night During Storm

Dallas Borough's supply of ashes for street chindering is exhausted.

Borough Street Commissioner Ralph Eipper said yesterday that he would have to start hauling a new supply from the Valley.

"I thought the mountain of ashes we had stored last fall at the Borough Building would last for at least two years," he added wistfully, "but frequent snowfalls and need for continuous ashing have used them up."

The Street Commissioner and his two assistants, Ray Crispell and William McNeel, did a magnificent job of keeping streets open and ashed during the week end storms.

They worked continuously from 2 Friday afternoon, through Friday night until 4:30 Saturday afternoon. They were out again Sunday morning clearing three-foot snowdrifts on Center Hill Road and from Orchard Knob to Whipp's Corner along Huntsville Reservoir.

Dale Perry used some of his equipment to assist the Street Department on keeping some of the outlying roads open.

Mr. Eipper said much more ashing has been required this year than in any recent season.

Si Evans who has private contracts for keeping many parking areas and driveways open worked a forty-eight hour schedule from Friday to Sunday using his Farmall Super H tractor with eight-foot snow blade.

The story was the same throughout Kingston, Dallas, Lake and Lehman Townships where Supervisors and Road crews did an excellent job in keeping highways open and safe.

Speaks To Class

Dr. J. J. Kocyan, well known obstetrician and gynecologist of Wilkes-Barre, was guest speaker at Walter Mohr's biology class at Westmoreland High School Monday. He spoke on "The Endocrine Glands". Dr. Kocyan is father of Mrs. Stephan Hellersperk, West Dallas.

No Skating At Lake

A heavy blanket of snow has spoiled skating at Harveys Lake for the time being, according to Chief of Police Edgar Hughes. There was remote possibility, he said, an area might be cleared this week end in the vicinity of Deaters and Javers at the Alderson end.

Snowshoes Needed

With sixteen to seventeen inches of snow on Red Rock Mountain, State Game Protectors are using snowshoes in the mountainous areas to carry on their work, according to Carl C. Steinbrook of the Kingston Office of the Game Commission.

Cancer Center Can Provide Many Kinds Of Supplies For Patients

The Loan Closet at the Cancer Information Center, Back Mountain Library Annex, may be drawn upon for supplies by any cancer patient in the Back Mountain, states Mrs. Harry Ohlman, area chairman, and Mrs. Jack Barnes, chairman of the Center.

The closet contains Johnny-coats, pads and rubber draw-sheets for protection of bedding, bed jackets, and standard sickroom supplies. Each week members of the group

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Blood Insurance Program Surges Ahead In Area

Blood Donor Day Next Friday At Borough School

The Red Cross Blood Insurance program caused a tidal wave of inquiry and response in the Back Mountain, following publicity in the Dallas Post, letters issued to all school children, and personal appearance of Ted Raub, district coordinator, at PTA meetings, factories, and business concerns.

Signing up in advance of the March 1 deadline, Sordoni enterprises have protected their employees and families, Fernbrook Park and Natona Mills are in line, but it is the PTA groups which will carry the ball for those residents who have no connection with large business groups.

The response has been so good that the Bloodmobile schedule for next Friday at Dallas Borough School has been revised upwards, and collection will be taken from 1:30 to 7:30 to accommodate business men and women. Local doctors will again divide the burden of duty.

Letters of explanation were sent home with school children of the area on Tuesday. By Thursday morning, eighty of the 400 families who have one or more children in the Westmoreland jointure had already replied. Supervising principals of Dallas-Franklin, Westmoreland, Lehman-Jackson-Ross, Lake-Noken, and Monroe Township schools, met with Mr. Raub last Thursday morning at Dallas Borough School to discuss the Blood insurance plan.

Mr. Raub met with PTA delegates Tuesday night, and spoke in many of the local PTA meetings during the past two weeks.

The plan is much like the Blue Cross plan, in that any group which is large enough to provide a minimum of ten donors or a maximum of ten percent of its enrollment, whichever is larger, may gain for its members assurance of necessary blood transfusion in case of accident, operation, or illness. Families are protected by one member signing with a group. Children, elderly people, people not in abounding health and able to donate themselves, will be included.

For the benefit of those families who have no connection with a Back Mountain PTA group or a business group, the coupon published last week is published again for their safety. It should be signed and returned at once to the Red Cross headquarters in Wilkes-Barre, so that names may be listed before the March 1 deadline.

Mrs. Stefan Hellersperk, Back Mountain Blood Chairman, foresees a record donation this coming Friday.

Bergman, Clark Head Seal Drive

Starts March 10, Ends On Easter

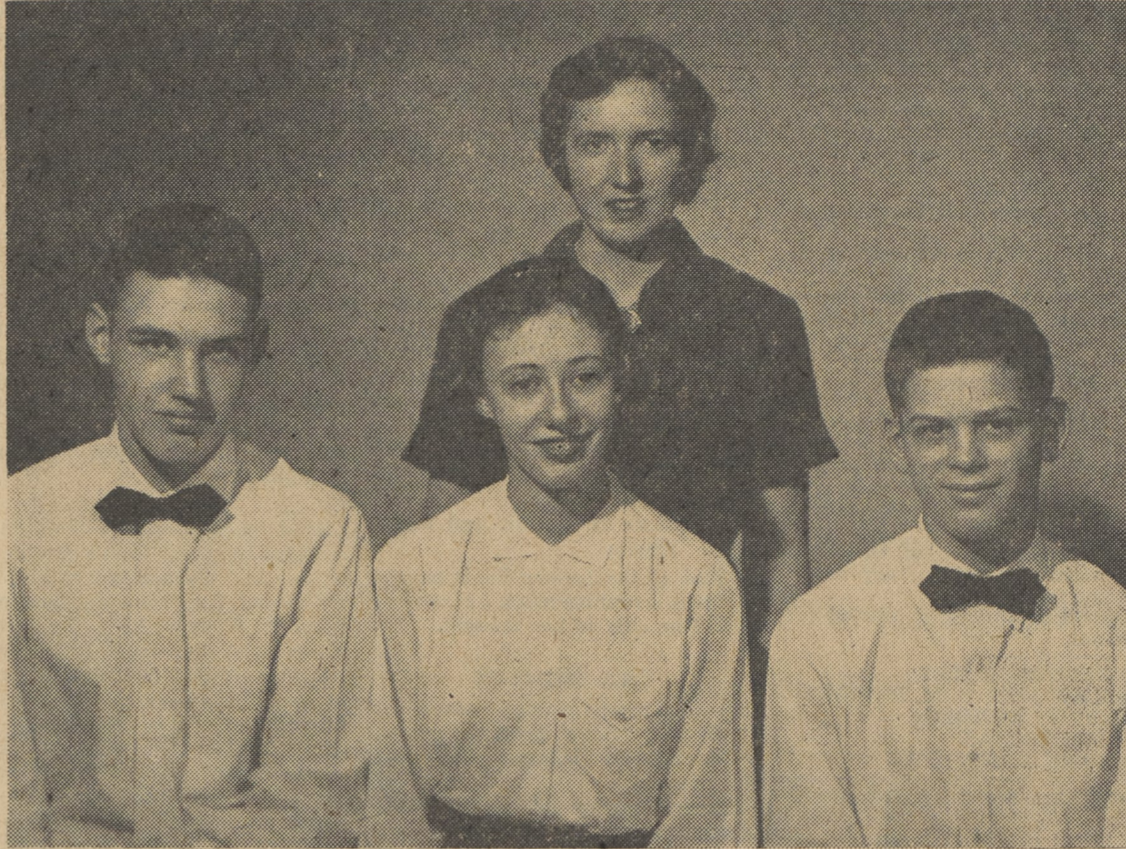
Three Back Mountain residents will hold key posts in the 1955 Easter Seal Appeal to be conducted state-wide and nation-wide from March 10 to Easter Sunday, April 10. Justin Bergman, Jr., Briar Hill, Trucksville, will head the drive for the greater Wilkes-Barre area; Peter D. Clark, Dallas, will act as co-chairman; Dorothy Major Baker, Lehman, has been appointed publicity chairman. Other committee heads are: Robert Kintzer, clubs and civic organizations; Robert Pickup, supplies; Mrs. Raymond T. Russell, special events; Mrs. Edward Darling, "500 club."

Mr. Bergman, president of the Wyoming Valley Crippled Children's Association, sponsors of the drive, announces a goal of \$16,000. Funds received will be used to continue the Cerebral Palsy Clinic which at the present time serves 108 children. The clinic is held daily in the Kirby Memorial Health Center.

make dressings, which will be delivered if desired, or may be called for at the Center on Tuesdays between 10 and 4. Currently, eight dozen dressings are being supplied weekly to one patient in the Back Mountain.

Mrs. Clyde Cooper is in charge of the Loan Closet; Mrs. Charles DeWees III, transportation and delivery; Mrs. Lloyd Kear, dressings. More volunteers are needed. Contact Mrs. Charles Flack, chairman, if interested.

Westmoreland High School Students Sing In State Chorus



Three senior high school students from Westmoreland High School will sing in the Northeast District State Chorus at Hanover Township High School on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Jeanne Croom, a senior, will sing First Alto; Robert McQuilkin, senior, will sing Second Bass; Robert Williamson, junior, will sing First Bass. Mrs. Florence H. Sherwood is vocal music supervisor.

Ballerina In Swan Lake



MARSHALL NUNLIST

Traditional And Original Ballet At Irem Temple February 21, 22

Marshall Nunlist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Nunlist, Oak Street, Trucksville, will have an important ballerina part in the Wilkes-Barre Ballet Theatre presentation of Swan Lake Monday night and Tuesday afternoon at Irem Temple. She will execute a solo and will dance in the Pas de Quatre with Mary Gawat, Diane Raker and Susan Frank.

The four little girls will wear the classic coc feather headdress, and short white tutus, a replica of the costume worn by the ballerina, Roseanne Caruso who demonstrated for the Book Club last year. Members will wear the traditional long white tutus.

Presentation of Swan Lake involves renting of one of the two scripts available for orchestration

Legion Meets Monday

Daddow-Isaacs Post No. 672, American Legion will hold an important meeting Monday night at 8 at Dallas Borough Building. All officers and members are urged to be present.

Economist Is Speaker

Margaret L. Plunkett, educator and labor economist, spoke on "Present Day Developments in the Middle East" at last night's meeting of Dallas Rotary Club at Irem Temple Country Club.

from the Leeds Music Company. There is no printed orchestration. Among the well known musicians who will accompany the three ballets are Clyde Owens, Chester Parry and Lewis Savitt, conductor.

Orchestration for "Johnnie at the Fair" is being whipped into shape at evening rehearsals. Mrs. Nunlist's original music having been written primarily for the piano.

Twenty Back Mountain children are in the casts of the three ballets: Swan Lake, Johnnie at the Fair and the Judgment of Paris.

Mrs. Barbara Linshes Weisberger, instructor, states that funds from next week's recital will go toward establishment of a ballet guild for furthering of classical and modern ballet in Wyoming Valley.

Mrs. Graves Comes Home On Crutches

Mrs. Robert Graves, Shavertown, injured in a traffic accident near Coaldale February 6, returned home on crutches Tuesday, accompanied by her son Robert. Her husband, with leg and head injuries, remains in the hospital at Coaldale where all three members of the family were admitted after their car collided with another on icy roads. Mr. Graves, with serious concussion, may be dismissed early next week.

Teeners Need Parents Help

League May Fold Without Support

Whether the Back Mountain Teen-Age Baseball League will continue another year definitely hinges on the outcome of the meeting to be held Wednesday, February 23 at Shavertown YMCA.

A meeting was called for Monday, February 14, with only seven in attendance and three teams represented. It was felt little or nothing could be done with only two officers present, except to make every effort to get the managers, coaches and officers out to Wednesday's meeting.

It was brought to the attention of those who did attend Monday's meeting that the league is very much in debt.

With no up-to-date report from the treasurer, there was no accounting for the funds taken in at last year's games.

A sizeable sum is supposed to be owed to an out-of-town firm for equipment supplied the Teeners in recent years.

It is understood this firm supplied equipment valued in excess of \$1,400, of which a sizeable chunk has been paid. That was three years ago. Since then more equipment was bought and more money paid to the firm, but how much, no one seemed to know Monday night.

If the Teen-Age League is to continue it will definitely need early organization and the help of every person interested in Teener baseball in the Back Mountain area.

New officers will be elected at the forthcoming meeting and many items will be discussed. Among them will be ways in which to raise funds, establish playing fields, and the paying of entrance fees.

It is definitely urged that all parents of teeners, coaches, managers, officers and any person at all interested in the development of the area's young boys, attend this meeting. It will be held February 23 at 8 p.m. at the Back Mountain Town and Country YMCA. Try and make it.

West Wyoming, Westmoreland and Dallas were the teams represented at the meeting Monday evening.

Those present were Herman LaBar, Jim Lohman, L. C. Starbuck, Clark Ruch, Vic Cross, Dale Shaver and George Shupp.

Complains Evening Grosbeaks Eat Chickadees Out Of House And Home

Bird lovers organized informally at a Thursday night meeting in the Back Mountain Memorial Library Annex, Edwin Johnson accepting the presidency and Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks the secretaryship at Arnott L. Jones' suggestion. Second Thursday nights were decided upon as meeting dates.

The matter of selecting a name was deferred for the present, suggestions ranging from Back Mountain Bird Lovers to Bird Brains.

Frank Jackson expressed willingness to jot down names of birds and locations, with dates, if members or interested parties would telephone him when birds first appear.

The burning subject of grosbeaks arose, with club members claiming that they were eating the chickadees out of house and home. Forty years ago, said Mr. Johnson, a flock of fifteen was considered phenomenal. Frank Jackson reported 150 at

Directors And Teachers Dine In Cafeteria

Board Expresses Appreciation For Evaluation Help

Seventy members of the teaching staff of Dallas Borough-Kingston Township Joint Schools, administrators, school directors and their wives were entertained Wednesday night at a Turkey Dinner in Westmoreland High School Cafeteria. The dinner was prepared by girls of the Ninth Year Class.

It was planned by the School Board in recognition of the work done by the faculty in making possible the evaluation of the schools by the Middle States Association of Secondary Schools.

James Hutchison, president of the Joint Board, presided. Principal W. Frank Trimble read a letter from the Middle States Association giving its approval to Westmoreland High School. Mr. Hutchison expressed the appreciation to the Board and himself to the faculty for making this approval possible.

Mr. Hutchison called upon Supervising Principal James Martin who introduced Dr. Eugene Hammer of Wilkes College who spoke on Staff Morale. "You have good morale," he said, "when people are contented and happy. I sense it in this group tonight. You must first have a purpose, then use the skills of the staff and give the staff recognition."

Mrs. Charles A. Eberle was dinner chairman. Prof. Trimble was credited with roasting the turkeys and William Clewell with baking the cake, though neither would admit it.

Attending were: Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Hammer, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. James, Mr. and Mrs. Fredric W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. James D. Hutchison, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Richardson, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Bodycomb, Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. LeGrand, Mr. and Mrs. William Clewell, Mr. John F. Wardell, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Eberle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Mannear, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ohlman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Trimble, Mrs. Eleanor C. Jones, Mrs. Eleanor H. Austin, Miss Pearl M. Averett, Miss Adaline Burgess, Mrs. Louise Colwell, Miss Cornelia B. Davis, Mrs. Grace M. Fleming, Mr. James H. Goodwin, Mrs. Ruth Henwood, Mrs. Florence H. Hughes, Miss Mabel Jenkins, Mr. Thomas H. Jenkins, Mrs. Lee Ann Johnson.

Mrs. Edythe Kromelbein, Mr. Theodore Laskowski, Mr. Lester R. Lewis, Mrs. Antoinette C. Mason, Mr. George A. McCutcheon, Mrs. Louise R. McQuilkin, Mrs. Eva T. McGuire, Mr. Walter H. R. Mohr, Mr. Chester N. Molley, Mr. William A. Moran, Miss Sophia Morris, Mr. John ulhern, Mrs. Ruth K. Novy, Mr. Joseph Park.

Mr. Charles R. Poad, Mr. Joseph Podrazik, Mrs. Rachel Porter, Mr. Joseph Rakshys, Mr. William K. Roeder, Mrs. Arline B. Rood, Miss Esther J. Saxe, Mrs. Florence H. Sherwood, Mr. Robert Somerville, Miss Bertha M. Sutliff, Miss Georgiana Weidner, Mrs. Dorothy T. Withey, Miss Marian Young, Mrs. Janet Barger.

Atty. Roscoe B. Smith Addresses Book Club

Atty. Roscoe B. Smith, Center Hill resident, gave a very interesting talk on Abraham Lincoln at the meeting of Back Mountain Library Book Club Wednesday afternoon. Meeting was in charge of the new president, Mrs. Warren Unger. Mrs. Roscoe Smith and Mrs. Ray Shiber poured.

Harveys Lake

They were first reported in Pennsylvania in 1889, mentioned in New York as something remarkable in 1910, but in Ohio earlier than in the area farther east.

Mrs. Charles Flack reports a dove, February 5. Nearly thirty varieties of birds have been identified since January 1: Carolina wren, English sparrow, song sparrow, white throated sparrow; slate colored junco, goldfinch, pine siskin, purple finch; evening and pine grosbeaks; chickadee, cardinal, shrike, robin, dove, white breasted nuthatch, brown creeper, titmouse, blue-jay, crow, hawk, hairy, downy and pileated woodpeckers, screech owl, pheasant, grouse, sparrow hawk.

Present were: Edwin Johnson, Mrs. Harold Flack, Mr. and Mrs. Arnott L. Jones, Blanche E. Thompson, Mrs. A. H. Van Nortwick, Frank Jackson, Harry B. Allen, Mrs. T. M. B. Hicks.