

NOXEN

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richards returned from a vacation at Port Orange, Fla., on Tuesday. They stopped off for several days to visit Mr. and Mrs. William Martin and family, at Beaufort, S.C.

Mrs. Roy Newell and Mrs. Carl Crispell attended a hair style show held at the May Fair Supper Club, Wilkes-Barre, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kovic and family, Allentown, spent the week end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wisneski, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Patton and family.

Alford Ambrose, Chaplain at Haverford State Hospital at Haverford, Pa., was substitute pastor at St. Luke's Lutheran Church on Sunday. His home town is Altoona, Pa.

Classmates of the Noxen Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Jacob Miner, on Friday evening, April 21st.

Mrs. Robert Gunnis returned to her home at Buffalo after several days with the Jacob Miners.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schenk are spending several days at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Joseph French and family, Brasher Falls, New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kerns and son Albert, New Brunswick, N.J., spent the week end with her parents, the Elvin Beans.

Mrs. Daisy Waltman, a patient in the Nesbitt Hospital for five weeks, was removed to the Bakers Rest Home, at Factoryville, last Friday.

Mrs. Harry Bigelow was on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kelly visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Bachman, on Sunday.

Endurance Run

The Stony Mountain Endurance Run will take place next Sunday. Motorcycles will leave Beaumont Inn and will include the trip to Forkston and back again to the Inn. Noxen will be included.

The condition of Lawrence Dymond, a patient in the Veterans Hospital, Wilkes-Barre remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Allen, Vestal, N.Y., stopped in to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lord for a few minutes, on Monday, on their way home from their honeymoon, in Bermuda.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Case and family, Rovena, N.Y., spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Case and her sisters family, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Patton and family.

Albert Keiper is a medical patient in the General Hospital, since Wednesday.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. Dorothy French over Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Philip Shafer and family, Philadelphia, Mrs. Robert Cuthbertson and Joan Lane, Avenel, N.J., Miss Lillie Turner, Metuchen, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coole spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Younkins, Jersey Shore. John Hacklings, Binghamton, N.Y., visited his sister Mrs. Guy Fritz, during the week.

Missionary To Speak

Miss Dorothy Gilbert, Carverton, a missionary, back on furlough, from Africa, spoke on her experiences while there and also showed slides on Wednesday April 26th, at the Methodist Church. Everyone is cordially invited.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. Joseph Hackling, on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Allan Carl and daughter Pamela, Mrs. Millard Pegg, Berwick, Mr. and Mrs. William Mason, Johnson City, N.Y.

Mrs. Voyle Traver visited her brother Emra Traver who is a patient in the Geisinger Hospital, Danville.

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Pennsylvania Dog Dealer Faces Cruelty Charges At Dierolf Farm

In the wake of cruelty to animals charges filed against a large Pennsylvania laboratory animal supplier, The HSUS has again attacked lack of enforcement of the state's dog and anti-cruelty laws.

In a statement widely publicized in Pennsylvania and distributed by national wire services, HSUS Field Service Director Frank McMahon accused officials of the state Department of Agriculture of a situation in which "taxpayers' pets have become victims of the politics entangling the appointment of dog law agents."

The HSUS attack followed filing of charges of cruelty to animals against Dierolf Farms, Inc., a large Pennsylvania supplier of animals to research laboratories. On February 1, warrants were served on A. James Fendrick, president of Dierolf Farms, Inc., and John R. Dierolf, employee and former head of the firm. Each posted a bond of \$600 and faced possible sentences of fines up to \$600 or 90 days imprisonment, or both. A trial date of February 15 was set.

It was at least the fifth time that the Dierolf operation had faced such charges. The HSUS, the Animal Rescue League of Berks County and the Pottstown Animal Rescue League all have lodged charges in past years. The farm was the target of a well-publicized HSUS raid in December 1964 resulting in a statewide campaign to strengthen Pennsylvania's anti-cruelty laws.

This time, Dr. Robert H. Witmer, associate professor of surgery at the University of Pennsylvania and a leading Lancaster surgeon, was the complainant. He and dog law enforcement officers visited Dierolf Farms on January 7 in search of his lost dog, a toy poodle which had disappeared on December 30. A dog with a description similar to Dr. Witmer's pet was traced to the Dierolf kennels. The doctor did not find his dog, but he saw grim, intolerable conditions that prompted him to request humane society help.

In his complaint, Dr. Witmer said "... the kennel was dirty and smelly and consisted of a rectangular building with approximately five or six screened compartments on each side of the aisle ... The compartments were approximately 8 by 10 feet in size with different weight dogs in each ... There were 25 to 30 dogs in each section jumping all over each other. There was straw on the floor. Many dogs had open sores on their legs and conjunctivitis with a discharge from their eyes."

"There was blood on the floor of the aisle between the two sides. The general condition of the kennel was terrible ... overcrowded, dirty, sick dogs mixed with healthy ones ..."

Dr. Witmer reported his observations to the Animal Rescue League of Berks County which, in turn, called The HSUS. Field Service Director Frank McMahon was sent to Pennsylvania to interview Dr. Witmer and assist in any way possible. McMahon secured statements and helped in filing charges. No action was taken by the dog law enforcement wardens who accompanied Dr. Witmer on his visit to Dierolf Farms.

Ironically, the operators of Dierolf Farms were charged with violations of a law which was enacted largely through the 1964 HSUS raid which had also uncovered intolerable conditions. The current president, A. James Fendrick, had testified at public hearings before enactment of that law and, more recently, submitted recommendations to the U. S. Department of Agriculture for implementation of the Poage-Magnuson act (the Federal law enacted in 1966 to regulate suppliers of cats and dogs and certain other animals to research laboratories).

Fendrick has also been president and member of the board of directors of the Animal Care Panel, a national organization of breeders, animal care technicians and others, representing the interests of the sci-

entific community. Further, he has headed the Animal Care Section of Smith, Kline and French, a large Philadelphia pharmaceutical company doing considerable animal-using research and testing.

Little accurate information on John R. Dierolf's status in the firm is available. It is known, however, that he buys animals for the firm at Gilbertsville and at other auctions in Pennsylvania that have been under humane society attack for cruel treatment of animals.

In summing up the case, McMahon said that failure of the wardens accompanying Dr. Witmer to act "should have been forcibly to rebuke officials of the smelly and total disregard of some dog law officials for proper law enforcement." He urged that humanitarians in Pennsylvania write letters to Governor Raymond P. Shafer urging him to convert dog warden positions from political appointment to civil service status.

Sweet Valley

With the Sweet Valley parade schedules being prepared the ladies are planning to hold a White Elephant Sale on the same date. If you have any items to donate call Mrs. William Smith, 256-3410 or Mrs. Robert James, 477-3549.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Fire Company are also soliciting baked goods for the affair and hope to have a wide variety of goodies to offer.

Sincere sympathy of the community is offered to the family of the late Thomas Creasing who passed away on Friday.

The Sweet Valley columnist is getting too busy with activities these days and would like a replacement. Get in touch with the Dallas Post.

We would like to add that Shirley Savre has done a fine job for a long period of time and we will miss her.

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary have been granted in the Estate of Ethel T. Phillips, late of Wilkes-Barre City (died March 16, 1967).

All persons indebted to said estate are required to make payment and those having claims or demands to present same without delay to Mrs. Marguerite T. Ayers, 21 Melrose Avenue, Wilkes-Barre, Penna. or George L. Fenner, Sr., 615 Miners National Bank Building, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

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Legion Auxiliary

Harveys Lake American Legion Auxiliary Unit 967 met recently at Burke's Bar-B-Que, Sunset, with Mrs. Mildred Bozek, presiding. Mrs. Frances Yankoski reported that she, Mildred Bozek and Frances Desiderio, took Easter Candy to the Veteran's Hospital. It was distributed on the sixth, seventh and eighth floors. President Bozek; treasurer, Frances Yankoski were named delegates to the Bi-County Council Meeting to be held at the Plains American Legion Home on May 19th, also to the luncheon in Harrisburg on May 24th.

Presidents of the American Legion Auxiliary, Marion Oplinger will also attend. Foreign Relations chairman suggested buying twelve dolls to send, and send to children in the Philippines. Americanism chairman reported that Donna Mae Post, Lake Lehman student was winner of the Essay Contest, which was titled: How Can I Preserve My American Heritage. Mrs. Marie Coppellini and Mrs. Mary Engler were hostesses for this meeting. Present were Mesdames Mildred Bozek, Ruth Voskas, Eleanor Daugherty, Frances Desiderio, Frances Yankoski, Mary Engler, Laura Carey, Marie Coppellini, Ethel Engleman, Shirley Strohl, Pat Uzdella, Myrtle Wagner and Sally Masonis. Marie Coppellini and Mildred Bozek won the mystery prizes. The next meeting will be held at Burke's on May 9th with Marion Oplinger and Mildred Bozek on the sewing committee.

Visit Morgus Home

Patients from the Morgus Convalescent Home at Harveys Lake wish to express their thanks to the Girl Scouts of Troop 638 of Harveys Lake, for the many Easter cards, Easter baskets and birthday cards they have received. Many of the cards included their pictures in the cards. Mrs. "Pat" Corbett, R.N., who is on the nursing staff at the Morgus Home is the one who deserves credit for the project!

Merchandise Party

James Britt, president, named committees for the annual Merchandise Party of Harveys Lake. Sunset Section Branch Associations to hold on Friday, April 21st, at 7:30 at Sunset. Mrs. William Hornick served as general chairman, assisted by the following committees: Door, William Hornick, Office, Francis D. Britt, Edward Baluk and Mrs. Theresa Pritchard, ushers, Mrs. John Burns, Miss Sharon Britt, Edward Keller, Harry Wolovich, Mrs. James P. Britt and Mrs. Francis D. Britt. Prizes - Mrs. Bernard Keller and Mrs. Harry Wolovich; supper basket, Francis Fisher and Fred Kole.

Grover Anderson, Harveys Lake will enter the Armed Services on

April 25th. He was graduated by Pennsylvania State University in December, and spent last summer touring Europe. Grover expects to be invited to attend Officers Training School after his basic training is completed.

Back Mountain Women's Republican Club will reorganize for the primary election, according to Patsy George the club president.

Harveys Lake Women's Club is currently sponsoring a flag sale with the proceeds to be used for sending packages to local servicemen in Vietnam.

Rod and Gun Club of Harveys Lake held a meeting on Monday, April 24th at 8 p.m. at the clubhouse.

Auxiliary Meets

Daniel C. Roberts Fire Co. Auxiliary of Harveys Lake, met recently at the Fire Hall. President Carlene McCaffrey presided. They are sponsoring a sale on mens, womens and childrens umbrellas. Many different styles and colors, also ash trays.

Idetown

The Serving and Waiting Class met in the Churchhouse on Thursday night for the first time since Christmas. Mrs. Jesse Boice led the devotions. Mrs. Meade presided. Others present beside those mentioned were Mrs. Pearl Connor - Marie Spencer, Hazel Gordon, Mrs. Emory Haddel.

Mr. and Mrs. James Connor of Detroit, Mich., visited his mother Mrs. Pearl Connor over the weekend.

Mrs. Lydia Meade returned to her home on Monday after spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Meade in Sweet Valley.

Legal Notice

Sesled bids will be received by the Board of Directors of Lake-Lehman School District, Lehman, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, until 8:00 p.m., D.S.T., Friday, May 5, 1967, for Janitor Supplies. Specifications and instructions to bidders may be obtained at the Administration Office, Lehman, Pennsylvania. Eleanor Humphrey Secretary

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