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Horse-Show And Auction Over, What's Next?

Now that the Lehman Horse Show and the Back Mountain Memorial Library Auction have gone down into history, the area can catch its breath and get ready for the next summer festivity. Center Moreland Church Auction is coming up, and the Idetown Horse Show.

If you have never attended the Center Moreland Auction, it's worth it if only for the chicken barbecue. Sometimes there are half-chickens left over after serving of the regular dinner has stopped, and these are worth taking home, still hot from the charcoal grill. Whatever the men use for the barbecue sauce, it's exactly right, and the end product is succulent and flavorful.

And the aroma that rises from the charcoal pits is something to dream about on an evening when the heat of the day is beginning to give way to a cool evening breeze.

All big doings, such as the Horse Show, Library Auction, or the various auctions in the area, means a lot of work for the committee, a lot of fun for the crowd, and a lot of clean-up afterwards. No matter how many trash barrels are located about the grounds, the litter accumulates. It's like the travelling public leaving behind it chaos in the service station washrooms.

Folks are messy when nobody is watching. Somebody has to clean up after any crowd. Summer time is litter time.

Dismaying Gap In Voter Registration

It is impossible to force citizens to register or to vote. This is one of the freedoms guaranteed by these United States.

If you decline to have anything to do with the government of your country, that is your privilege. But if you so decline, you are partially responsible for the things which you do not like about your municipal, your county, your state, and your national government.

One vote has been known to swing an election. One voice from one person.

If you do not exercise your right to vote, you have no right to complain about what you get. Registering and voting takes time. Sometimes it seems completely futile. But as a citizen, it is your concern.

It has recently been brought out that there is a dismaying gap between the number of people in the State of Pennsylvania who are qualified to vote, and the number of such citizens who have registered and are on the voting lists.

To attain citizenship, an alien must pass a rigorous test, and his application must come before a special board. An alien must be informed of his rights under the Constitution of the United States. He must be able to prove that he is worthy of citizenship.

By reason of birth, you are automatically a citizen when you become twenty-one years of age. You have never had to go through the courts in order to establish citizenship. History and subjects of government may have rolled off you lightly in the course of your high school studies. You may not give a particular whoop about being a citizen.

But you are, and you have a responsibility which many an alien envies you.

If you take any action which deprives you of your citizenship, you are poor indeed.

A letter from Harrisburg says: "Pennsylvania is suffering a citizenship gap of serious proportions. Since 1960, the total number of persons registered to vote has declined by half a million. At the present time, there are approximately two and one half million unregistered, but otherwise vote-eligible persons in the Commonwealth."

That All-Important Postmark

A postmark can make the difference between a legal and an illegal piece of mail, depending upon an announced deadline.

Material submitted by contestants may be thrown out if the deadline is not met. Payment of bills may incur penalties if the postmark is so dim that it cannot be read.

Important mail is subject to question if the date stamped on the envelope does not coincide with the date as given on an envelope.

Considering the increased price of first class postage, we think that the Post Offices of the land might well renew the ink in their cancelling machines.

This is no place to practice petty economy. If the Government wants to cut down anywhere, let it cut down on the junk mail that clutters the mailboxes, addressed to Rural Subscriber or House-Holder. Does anybody ever open it?

Only Yesterday It Happened 30 Years Ago

Opposition to school merger was stiffening. Even thirty years ago consolidation was being forced by the State. Noxen was against it, likewise Beaumont. Schools with fewer than ten teachers were required to vote. Merger with other districts for all small rural districts in Luzerne and Wyoming Counties constituted a problem.

Lee Tracy was news in 1938. Lee and his bride were planning to spend a few days here in Shavertown with his mother, Mrs. W. L. Tracy, before sailing for England.

Three-mile swimming event was coming up at Harveys Lake. The course was between the picnic grounds and Sandy Beach. Practicing daily were Irving Roe of Dallas, James Campbell of Wilkes-Barre, and Elwood Davies, Harveys Lake. The trio were champs, winning the title at Lake Ariel in 1937.

Dallas Water Company was in an endurance contest with the weather and the water supply. Summer brought on the usual heavy consumption of water, especially on wash-day on Parrish Heights. Nobody was about to give up the traditional washday in favor of spreading the load. State owned water companies were proposed. Parrish Heights residents were circulating a petition to the PUC.

Joseph Polack, acting Dallas Postmaster, asked residents to clean up their mail-box areas. Sewage plants still flourishing. Atty. Peter Yurchak was hopeful that a joint plan should be established. Federal Government would finance 45 percent, with 55 percent long term loan at minimum cost over a period of years.

Mrs. Helen Santee, of Kobe, Japan, formerly of this area, who left seven years ago, wrote of her experiences when her home was used by refugees from a flood.

Feature story on St. Therese's, tells of its patterning after an old chapel in Vifort, France.

Tunkhamock farmer shot seven coyotes. Roy Freeman found a den. Marie Virel became the bride of Sherman Heft.

Dallas fire truck sank in the mud while flushing Toby's Creek. Road roller ran amok while smoothing gravel on Route 92, rolled downhill, and sheared off a kinnipin.

Remember Baby Snooks? Mounted on a toy elephant, she graced the top of the fifth page in the issue of July 22, 1938.

Rattlesnake season. Snake with 15 rattles killed by Peter Traver at Evans Falls.

20 Years Ago

Water rates were to go up 25 percent, come October. The Trucksville Firemen's Fair was going strong, snip box derby a stellar attraction.

Letter of appreciation from Miss Frances Dorrance, thanking the Dallas Post for its cooperation in making the Library Auction a huge success.

Howard Hendricks, supervising principal of Lehman Schools, resigned in order to accept a similar position in Millersburg.

Irem Temple Horse-Show in final planning stage, one of the largest Horse Shows in the country. (What ever happened to the Irem Horse-Show?)

Miss Mary Still, 65, Dallas, a First World War nurse, died after a long illness.

Thomas E. Dewey was running for president. An acid tongued columnist characterized him as looking like the groom on a wedding cake.

Free Methodist camp meeting in full swing. Married: Esther V. Purvin to Gilford Atherholt, Irene Drechsel to Russell Wilcox.

10 Years Ago

Twelfth Library Auction over. Pix of big Saturday night crowd, pix of the tiger-skin rug modelled by Bob Bachman, its heavy head held up by Burgess North Berti. In the background Joe MacVeigh and William Evans. All the kids wanted to buy it—for fifty cents.

Thomas Reese headed the American Legion. Bowden Northrup explained the need for a Luzerne County Home, blasting the critics.

Johnson Miers, Jr., 17, Shavertown, caught his foot in a rotary mower, was badly injured. On crutches. Young couple with baby made news when they hiked from Elmira. Nice feature story on front page. By whom? Hix, natch.

Edward Biezup, at Nesbitt for cardigrams, died suddenly. Married: Elizabeth Ann Rowlands to Robert J. Williams. Joan M. Croop to Donald E. Cornell. Janet Mae Kithcart to Wayne T. DeRemer.

KEEPING POSTED

July 10: HARLEM RIOTS staged while Mayor Lindsay was out of New York. On his return, he told the vandals that they were defeating their own ends. One of the instigators was earning \$18,000 per year.

NO PROGRESS in peace talks in Paris. DeGAULLE accepts Pompadou's resignation, indicates he might be next in line for President. DR. SPOCK sentenced to two years in jail, \$5,000 fine. Will appeal. SOVIET TROOPS still in Czechoslovakia after maneuvers. TWO STUDENTS released by Soviet.

July 11: AMERICAN EMBASSY threatened in Saigon, guard increased. DEMOCRATIC PARTY might have to reschedule its convention for some city other than Chicago. Phone workers still on strike. Phones needed, 3,200. ROCKY SAYS no percentage in expecting a military victory, we must rely on able negotiation. GUNMAN LOOSE in New York, kills three, escapes. Populace lines roofs to enjoy the show.

July 12: GUNMAN SURRENDERS in Burlington, N. C. after fleeing New York tenement. WALLACE VOTE seen hurting Republicans, favoring Democrats. DIRKSON SUPPORTS LBJ in his appointment of chief justice. RUMOR OF RANSOM for Pueblo and crew said to be unfounded. FLORIDA GOVERNOR supports Rocky.

July 13: DEFENSE CHIEF in Viet for talks. SAIGON AWAITS attacks. Enemy said to try for third time to launch offensive against South Vietnam's cities. U.S., RUSSIA to launch flight service Monday. STARVING BIAFRANS seek world aid.

July 14: ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY Wage Pact approved. FRANCE NOTES Bastille Day. SOME PROGRESS reported in Pueblo talks. REP. J. R. POOL, Texas Solon, dies in Houston after flight from Los Angeles. SPORTSMEN SEEN ready to battle gun-control backers. SOVIET TRADE with China at all-time low in 1967. CHURCHMEN EYE Social Issues as World Parley enters final week.

POLAND ASKS rebuff for Czechoslovakia. ACCUSED SLAYER of 3 returned to New York. UNIONTOWN HAS flame for Pueblo crewmen. PENNSYLVANIA PROVIDES added protection for those battling riots.

July 15: CLIFFORD in Saigon. BILL AIMED at armed criminals passes 128-57. HOUSE HIKES asthma pension to \$100. REPORTING OF Conventions threatened. STATE GIVES motorists 60 days to honor new rules. SECOND NUCLEAR device exploded by France. TAMPA SANITATION workers leave jobs. ACCUSED KING slayer to get hearing today. FORTAS GOES before Senate Group today in Chief Justice post bid. DELAYS MARK inauguration of Moscow-New York Flights. First flight arrives in New York. CONGRESS MAY meet after conventions. RED SUMMIT Parley closes with "letter" to Czechs. ABC FAILS to block Hughe's offer to buy. MALAYSIA, PHILIPPINES near break.

July 16: RED PULLBACK cuts threat to Saigon. RAY ARANDONS fight against extradition. Alleged killer of King due in U.S. FORTAS SAYS he advised LBJ on Vietnam and civil disorders in the United States. ILLINOIS BELL shuns binding arbitration. Democrats may move convention. OUTLAW in custody after reign of terror. PLANNED POSTAL strike affecting Canada. WILT CHAMBERLAIN backs Nixon's bid. THREE IMPLICATED in sale of gun used to kill Lila Kistler. YORK TO use own forces in disorders. TWO U.S. commercial planes arrive at Moscow airport. BILL BACKED by Shafer falls, 112-78.

New Hope In Controlling Leukemia

Leukemia, the form of cancer with the most fearful reputation has had some of its sting removed. Although it remains one of the quickest and surest killers among the various types of cancer, thanks to significant advances in diagnosis and therapy, a growing number of leukemia victims have passed the five-year survival period used in cancer cases for measuring success of treatment.

Some long-term survivors of acute leukemia are reported to be living and well after as long as 17 years following diagnosis, according to an article in the American Cancer Society's scientific journal CANCER, April 1968 issue. The article, by Dr. Joseph H. Burchenal, of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City contains a report on 157 long-term acute leukemia survivors, 103 of which are alive, well and with no evidence of disease 5 to 17 years after diagnosis.

Nearly half (48) of the surviving group have progressed so satisfactorily that treatment for the disease has been discontinued for periods of from one to ten years. Of the original group of 157 patients who survived for more than five years, Dr. Burchenal stated that more than 50% should survive for at least 15 years.

Until 1947, for a child to be struck with acute leukemia was a "quickly activated" death warrant.

series of adult and children patients during the period 1926-47 at New York's Memorial Hospital, only 3 of 150 patients survived more than a year, and none lived longer than 14 months. The dramatic change in 1947 when research under the direction of Dr. Sidney Farber, of Boston, led to the discovery that remission, or the temporary reverse of the disease, could be achieved through the use of drugs. Since that time more sophisticated drugs have been discovered, more effective use has been made of the earlier drugs, and the development of combination drug therapy have all led to rapidly expanding capability to control acute leukemia.

The earlier poor survival led many physicians to not even attempt elaborate therapy measures, tending to give as little treatment as possible in order not to prolong the patient's suffering. Dr. Burchenal stated. He added that as a result of the breakthrough in chemotherapy in 1947, physicians ceased viewing leukemia as a rapidly fatal disease and began treating the disease as one which could be treated with some promise of success.

Although he does not minimize the gravity of leukemia in any patient, Dr. Burchenal reported a healthy sign of hope for the future in proposing guidelines for the cessation of therapy for leukemia. When the patient has been under

Emily I. Hedden Dies At Carlisle

Funeral Will Be Held Today From Snowdons

Those of us who knew Emily Hedden, sister of Raymon Hedden of Loyalsville, were saddened by her death early Tuesday morning. Though she had lived in Carlisle for thirty years where she was head of the commercial department in the high school, her heart was in the Back Mountain area where she had made hundreds of friends on her long holiday visits and her summer vacations with Ray's family.

Born in Newport Township, she was a graduate of the township high school, Class of 1926, and of Beaver College, Class of 1930, receiving her B. S. degree. She received her master's degree at Penn State University. She was a member of Second Presbyterian Church, Carlisle, and Pennsylvania State and National Education Association. Emily was also a member of the Carlisle Hospital Auxiliary, Delta Xi Epsilon, honorary business-education fraternity and the Pennsylvania and National Business Associations.

Surviving are brothers, Raymon and Norwood A. Hedden, State College.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Snowdon Funeral Home, 140 North Main Street, Shavertown, Friday morning at 11:30. Interment will be in Newport Cemetery, where her father and mother lie.

Rev. James Ferguson, pastor of her own church will officiate. Friends may call Thursday, 7 to 9.

Safety Valve

In Reply to Mrs. Robert Flemings Letter: July 16, 1968

To the Editor, No, Mrs. Fleming, I do not agree with you.

The other evening my car was among the many autos queued up at our town's "family" drive-in theater to see the movie which you and Parents' Magazine have unanimously condemned.

In truth, the movie was dreary and cheap. Even a bit boring. Obviously it is not my intention in writing to defend the movie's virtues, which, admittedly, are negligible.

However, it is important to note that I was not forced to go to the theater. At no time during the evening did I become so entangled in my car's seat belts that it was impossible for me to leave. Nor were the exits blocked by the management to prevent my departure.

In choosing to go to the movie, and in deciding to stay, I was exercising a right purportedly granted adults in this country, the right to select.

Yet you, or a committee you might establish to determine what is Decent and Good and Beautiful, would deny me this privilege.

I protest! I protest! I protest! For you see, I fear the attempts of any individual or group to censor what I may see or read far more than I fear the results of watching a smutty film or reading a trashy novel.

In a society which seems increasingly determined to undermine my freedom to choose, I feel it is my responsibility and duty to jealously guard this right.

Sincerely, (Mrs.) Shawn Murphy

Lake-Lehman Board Approves Kindergarten Transportation One-Way

The Lake-Lehman School District Board of Education has approved kindergarten transportation one-way on the following routes for the school year 1968-69:

Route 1 — Norris Glen area, Chase Corners, Chase Manor, Route 29 to Smith Pond, Smith Pond Road, Follies Road, Fieldcrest area, Huntsville Corners, Huntsville Road. (Kindergarten session will be held in the morning at the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. The School District will transport children to school and parents will pick them up at noon.)

Route 2 — Idetown Corners, 42nd Street, Oak Drive, Lower Circle of Oak Hill, Huntsville Nursery. (Kindergarten sessions will be held in the morning at the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. The School District will transport children to school and parents will pick them up at noon.)

Route 3 — Mooretown area, Broadway, Bloomingdale, Sylvan Lake, Village of Sweet Valley, Grassy Pond Road, Mooretown via Routes 177 and 29 to Kupstas' Store, Payne's Store, Bear Hollow, Outlet Road to Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. (Kindergarten sessions will be held in the afternoon at the Lehman-Jackson Elementary School. The School District will transport children to school and parents will pick them up at noon.)

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treatment for at least seven years, and has been free of disease for at least four years.

Pillar To Post...

by HIX

There are twelve families around the Back Mountain who are entitled to an acute case of the screaming meemies after the Library Auction... that is, unless the mice make good their escape from those cardboard cartons.

The Auction annually specifies, in a hopeful sort of a fashion, NO KITTENS will be accepted for sale over the auction block. Puppies, yes; parakeets and canaries, yes; lambs, yes; ponies, yes.

But no kittens. A little girl lovingly clutching a small kitten, takes it home. She wants to dress it in her doll clothes and trundle it around the block in her doll carriage. It is warm and affectionate, showing its pleasure by a humming purr.

So what happens? Her mother screams, "Get that wretched little thing outahere, RIGHT NOW! Take it back to the Auction. YOU KNOW you can't have a kitten!"

The little girl, weeping desolate tears, takes the kitten back to the Auction. It seems simpler to just put it down on the ground than to hand it back to the auctioneer. And by that time, the auctioneer is not the same man.

He is a perfect stranger, and he has never seen the kitten. Half starved, it hangs around the barn for awhile, and then disappears.

That's why we don't take kittens at the Auction. But nothing has ever been said about mice. The subject has somehow never come up. Mud turtles have not been banned, either. Nor snakes nor rattlers. It has seemed unnecessary to make any sort of a ruling on off-beat livestock.

The twelve mice which went over the auction block Saturday afternoon, a job lot, and supposedly all of one litter, made several small children happy. What happened when they took them home, will probably go down in the annals of Auction history.

The boy who bid them in for fifty cents made a nice piece of change out of the transaction. He promptly sold them off for a quarter apiece. Somebody ought to keep an eye on that lad. He's headed for big business. It's not often that an investment shows such astonishing returns, and on the same afternoon.

They were very nice little mice. They ranged in size from a very small albino with pink eyes, to a large model in seal brown. They all had the same extraordinary length of tail.

They ranged around in various cardboard boxes, looking for food, and nibbling gently at an exploring finger. The albino curled up and went to sleep in my hand. The seal brown job took a walk up my arm, but was perfectly docile at being plucked from his (her?) perch and returned to the carton.

Remembering the spinning mice which used to stop traffic regularly when displayed in the pet shop window on Bromfield Street in Boston, I suggested a large fishbowl for a house. Fishbowls have the advantage of having no foothold for an exploring mouse.

Spinning mice eat birdseed and sip daintily at the microscopic container of water. They are probably the stupidest creatures alive, unable to navigate in a straight line because of some physiological defect in the inner ear. They don't mind drowning themselves in their water dish. A few drops at the bottom, renewed daily, is all they can stand. They shuck the insides out of a bird seed, leaving behind it the husk.

They chase round and round the fishbowl, leaping over the water dish, and when worn out with their efforts, they quiver themselves to sleep, usually in the seed dish. They are very small, much smaller than even the albino mouse which peered out of pink eyes at an inquisitive finger on Saturday.

Some mother is probably having a fit, because it is reasonable to suppose that at least one mouse got away, dragging his (her) tail behind him (her) and making for the dark cavern under the radiator.

At least you can usually find a kitten if it gets away. A mouse wreathes itself around your ankles, mewling plaintively for food. A mouse vanishes as silently as a wraith, and you never can tell where he (she) will turn up next.

I hope the parents were kind about the whole thing. Women aren't really afraid of mice. They just yield to astonishment when something goes flitting across the floor. It is the surprise element. They don't need to worry about a mouse running up their skirts. There was a day some seventy years ago when skirts might have offered a hunted little beastie a dark refuge, but no more.

Any mouse that could reach the moon-day skirt should have a A for achievement, or even for honest effort.

Evaluation Of Westmoreland Elementary School Made In May

The Lehman Horse Show and the Library Auction side-tracked an interesting report on the May evaluation of Westmoreland Elementary School, one which is now being presented in a letter to Elementary Supervisor William A. Austin, written by Richard J. Jones.

The letter follows:

It was indeed a pleasure for Miss Patricia Campbell and me to have participated in the PSSC evaluation at the Westmoreland Elementary School on May 2, 1968. Although a more detailed, formal report will follow, I am using this means to convey the basic results of the visiting team's observations to you.

As far as the evaluation instrument is concerned, Westmoreland Elementary School showed an admirable rating on all six of the scales. The ranges of the average on the scales went from 6.0 to 6.75, significantly above the average of 5 that is considered a "good" rating. The details of this will follow in the later report.

What is most noteworthy, as a consensus of the visiting team of teachers, was the apparent high spirit and morale of the teachers of your school. It is a most enviable characteristic and probably the most basic key to the attainment of those educational objectives that we all value. They showed a vital concern for all pupils. This positive attitude seems to have permeated the pupils, for they in turn showed enthusiasm, were poised and creative, and seemed to appreciate and respect their classroom and the things that are in it. The concern for children as it is manifested in your guidance program in the elementary schools shows positive foresight, although further improvement and refinement in this area should be considered. The transition and special education classes are indeed a positive amplification of this active concern for the needs and problems of all youngsters.

The remedial reading program is another favorable educational modification. It showed a variety of

techniques in use, with attractive displays to arouse and encourage interest. The special education class seemed to be well organized, with an individual approach.

There seems to be an ample supply of audio-visual aids and equipment. The quality of the art work seems to be high as evidenced by many fine displays. The students were courteous, well-mannered, and seemed to be neat, clean, and well dressed.

Good teacher supervision was evident, with discipline approaching an effective balance — neither loose nor too rigid. The class sizes were good in most cases.

At the closing meeting with your faculty on May 2, I reviewed these commendations. I would also like to mention again several of the more pertinent recommendations.

First, although the building is old, it seems to be sound, well maintained, with the classrooms attractive in general. However, every nook and cranny seems to be utilized. There is little question that the school is overcrowded. Certain special areas need to be provided, such as better accommodations for remedial reading, the transition classes, instrumental music, office space, faculty materials center, guidance, and some regular classrooms. A central library is also recommended, although the supply of classroom supplementary materials seemed adequate. Better lighting facilities are also needed, particularly in the hallways.

The number of teachers and students requires a full-time principal for the building. I was astounded upon learning that the principal of such a large school also has teaching (Continued On 4-A)