

Perspective



You'll have this!

Although newspaper editors may sometimes write things that make you feel like hitting them over the heads with baseball bats, try to envision life without any newspapers at all. And, this week, during National Newspaper Week, take a moment to count the benefits of having the opportunity to read a newspaper. You may find the advantages outweigh the disadvantages.

Opinion

National Newspaper Week

This week, newspapers can pat themselves on the back

Imagine, for a moment, what life would be like without a newspaper to inform you, to entertain you and to simply relax you.

Sure, you can watch television for all the same reasons, but unless you are available at just the right time, you may miss all of this. If you don't watch the nightly news on television or don't have the radio tuned in at the same time the announcers are ready to provide you with the news, you can easily miss the important things happening around you.

Your newspaper, on the other hand, gives you all of this - and gives it to you when, and only when, you are ready to receive it. Like the family dog, the newspaper is there when you need it, but won't desert you if

you don't have time for it at any given moment.

Your newspaper provides you with all kinds of information - from what's going on in all corners of the world to what the Lockhorns are fighting about this week. It can tell you the score of the high school football games, the favorite recipes of the day, who was involved in that automobile accident up the street from your house, who's celebrating an anniversary, and what's going on with the local school boards.

Your newspaper is a wealth of information - the kind of information you would be lost without. Newspapers have become so important to our lives, that very few people go more than 24 hours without at least glancing through one.

This week - National Newspaper Week - is the one week out of the year the newspaper world asks for your consideration in recognizing its products as your sources of information.

This week, as you read your newspaper, try to realize the tremendous amount of time and effort that goes into producing that newspaper and getting it to your home on time.

And, while you're reading that newspaper, thank the reporters, the photographers, the editors, the advertising salespeople, the composers, the pressmen, and the carriers for bringing that newspaper to you. For, without any one of them, you would be without that ever-important source of information.

- DOTTY MARTIN

Love those Phils.....

They have been called everything from geriatric patients to the "Old and the Restless," but the Philadelphia Phillies breezed past the Los Angeles Dodgers like nobody's business last week. The win gave the old guys the National League championship and a trip to Baltimore and the 1983 World Series.

Actually, the Philadelphia baseball franchise is old - it is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year. The Phillies have become a household word - a word that makes us mad when it is on the bottom end of a score and a word that makes us happy in times like this - a time when we can cheer "our" baseball team in the most important baseball

games of all - the World Series.

The Phillies really are "our" team. They are housed just a hop, skip and a jump away in the "City of Brotherly love" and, on several occasions, have visited our area during the off-season. Although we love 'em when they win and hate 'em when they lose, the Philadelphia Phillies are "our" team no matter what the score.

Story hour begins

By NANCY KOZEMCHAK
Library Correspondent

The fall sessions of the pre-school story hour began Oct. 5 at the children's annex of the Back Mountain Memorial Library.

This week, while the Phillies go against the Baltimore Orioles in the 1983 World Series, enjoy it - for it will be the best Major League baseball action you will see all year. But, remember, regardless of the outcome, the Phillies are still "ours" and even if they fall short this year, there's always next year.

- DOTTY MARTIN

Only yesterday

Local hunters prepared for upcoming season

50 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 13, 1933

Hunters got ready for the season by purchasing their hunting licenses. Fee for a resident license was \$2 while an out-of-state license ran \$15.

Morgan Cease, member of a pioneer family, farmer, storekeeper, operator of a lumber mill, postmaster, Justice of the Peace and school director died at the age of 70.

Deaths - Mildred Sickler, Noxen; Thomas Carle, Kingston.

You could get - Eggs 23c doz.; smoked hams 14c lb.; Maine potatoes 33c 15 lb.; sugar 10 lb. 49c; sweet potatoes 10 lb. 19c; Del Monte Fruit Salad 2 lg. cans 45c; sauerkraut 6 cans 59c; chewing gum 3 pkg. 10c.

40 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 15, 1943

The third annual Back Mountain Halloween Parade and Block Party was being planned. Lehman, Dallas Township and Dallas Borough School bands were featured in the parade. The parade was sponsored by area PTA's.

Paul Shaver, Chief Observer of Dallas' Observation Post, was notified that the post would discontinue 24-hour service. The post was organized immediately following Pearl Harbor.

Ten horsemen, guests of John H. Blackman of Idetown, completed their fifth annual 115-mile autumn ride over mountain trails through the old lumbering country bounded by North and South Mountain.

Engaged - Betty Shriner to Ensign Harold Kocher.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, Shavertown, 50 years.

Deaths - Margaret Stern, Philadelphia.
You could get - Veal cutlets 39c lb.; fresh ground hamburger 28c lb.; pork sausage 39c lb.; cod filets 38c lb.; haddock filets 40c lb.; ASCO coffee 24c lb.; Farmdale evaporated milk 3 tall cans 27c.

30 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 16, 1953

The possibility of holding kindergarten at Lehman-Jackson-Ross Elementary Schools was discussed at a meeting of the Lehman School Board. Supervising principal suggested a survey be taken to see how many children would be affected. Bus service would not be provided.

Fifty-three entrees from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Maryland, and Ohio were scheduled for the fourth annual field trials of Pennsylvania German short-haired pointer's club. The trials were held on the Jonathan Valentine Estate, Sutton Road.

Chuck Morrow landed a 13 $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch, 13-pound trout at Harveys Lake. This was one of the largest trout taken from the lake.

Engaged - Anne Lodge to Edward F. Haskell; Maxine Schwarzbarth to Lt. Marvin Slomowitz.

Married - Lois B. Evans to Joseph Waltich.
Deaths - James H. Race, Kunkle; Bessie Bowkley, Huntsville; Olive Frey, Beumont; Emily Parrish, Huntsville Road.

You could get - Boneless chuck roast 49c lb.; frying chickens 49c lb.; veal roast 49c lb.; shrimp 69c lb. or 5 lb. box \$2.99; oysters pt. can 79c; fresh mushrooms 49c lb.; Tokay grapes 3 lb. 25c; sharp cheese 69c lb.

20 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 17, 1963

Dr. Robert M. Bodycomb, a prominent Dallas dentist, was honored at the annual meeting of the American Dental Society in Atlantic City when he made a Fellow of the International College of Dentists.

Bow hunter George Holowich, Harveys Lake, bagged a 10-point buck near Stull.

Airman Charles Anthony Volack, Jr., Orange, lost his life in a plane crash in Bolivia. Volack was on detached duty on loan to the Bolivian government when the accident occurred. He was a graduate of West Side Central Catholic High School.

Engaged - Sandra Sprout to Robert D. Richardson; Karen Fitzgerald to David Harper.

Married - Charlotte Patton and David Hopfer.
Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. August Strazdus, East Dallas, 28 years; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sulgar, Shavertown, 56 years.

Deaths - Emily Besecker, Dallas; Corey G. Crispell, Beumont; Stella Eveland, Tunkhannock; Fred Pettit, former Pioneer Ave. resident.

You could get - Chickens 26c lb.; fresh picnic hams 33c lb.; corned beef brisket 69c lb.; shrimp 69c lb.; swordfish 49c lb.; grapefruit 9c ea.; McIntosh apples 4 lb. 35c; 3 lb. can Crisco 79c; 22 oz. jar pickles 29c.

10 YEARS AGO - OCTOBER 18, 1973

Kingston Township officials voted to lower the speed limit on all township roads to 25 miles per hour.

Harveys Lake Municipal Authority opened bids for the community's sewage system which was estimated at \$5,460,275. Engineers Glace and Glace were receiving the bids.

Michael Klug, a student at Dallas Intermediate School, and Edie Chesnovich a Lake-Lehman student, were grand prize winners in the Back Mountain Firemen's Association Fire Prevention Poster Contest.

Deaths - Marvin Kitchen, Alderson; Marian Major, Lehman; Robert Krown, Newberry E Estates, Dallas; Fannie Venema, Harveys Lake.

You could get - Pork sausage \$1.19 lb.; center cut rib pork chops \$1.19 lb.; seedless grapefruits 4-59c; delicious apples 3 lb. \$1; cranberries 1 lb. pkg. 39c; 100 ft. Glad Wrap 15c; fresh eggs 59c doz.; Pennsylvania Dutch Noodles 2-lb. pkg. 69c.

Letters

This reader takes opposition against articles about Fall Fair

DEAR EDITOR:

After reading and rereading recent articles by Dotty Martin and Jane Bolger of The Dallas Post, I called the Post and talked with Dotty Martin. She suggested I write this article for publication.

In recent years, The Dallas Post has become an investment by people from another area without the personal interest of a Howard Risley or Ray Carlsen. The staff should make an effort to duplicate their policies and cease being a weekly critique of our area which most people are justly proud of. A new policy would sell more ads and papers.

Many of us have attended fairs in other areas. During dry hot weather, they faced similar problems to ours. We did not create problems. We did what was possible to control them. Chairman Bill Kalinowski was watering, oil has been used, calcium had been spread, but in one hour Mother Nature neutralized every effort. The writer believes that the Fair was administered in excellent efficiency by Bill Kalinowski, his wife and committee. You can't expect permanent buildings, blacktop walks and a show arena in the three years we have had to develop the new Fair site.

The "confusion" and "awful" lot of "unanswered questions", are only increased by Jane Bolger's article in the Sept. 28th Post. Maybe the writer can answer adequately a few of them.

"Originally", as Jane states, "the Dallas Fall Fair Association". Originally, it was the Dallas Rotary Fall Fair, founded in 1963. In a few years it had become too much for one club to handle, so Rotary invited Dallas Kiwanis and Dallas Lions to join them. With five

members from each club, the Dallas Fall Fair was founded. In the middle seventies, the Back Mountain Kiwanis Club and Dallas Junior Chamber of Commerce joined the Dallas Fall Fair.

In an effort to make her article become a mysterious mistake, Jane Bolger mentions "people who have resigned from one board or another and insinuate 'there is a story there' are not willing to be quoted".

When you have served on as many Boards as the writer, you learn that a minority of members seem to feel their duty is to rock the boat. They usually resign. Sometime, it is justified. The important part is when was the resignation justified? Unfortunately the writer has no right to answer that question.

The finances and governing bodies are not confusing. The Dallas (Luzerne Co.) Fall Fair Board administers the fair. The profits are divided between financial support of the Paramedics, housed in the Medical Center, and the Back Mountain Medical Center Board. Any additional profits will be used to improve the fair grounds or for a worthy community project.

The community should be grateful to the Nesbitt Memorial Hospital. Five members of their board joined with five members of the Fall Fair board to plan and make the Medical Center a reality.

So who benefits from the fair? Everyone who is young at heart; everyone who wants our area to be progressive; everyone who occasionally needs a medical facility; everyone who needs the paramedics in an emergency; and enthusiasts - not critics.

DR. L.E. JORDAN
TRUCKSVILLE

Money talks louder in politics

DEAR EDITOR:

"Money talks."
We've all heard this phrase used one way or another in our daily lives, but nowhere does money "talk" more loudly than in politics.

Interest groups - from automobile dealers and avocado growers to doctors and dockworkers - have organized committees through which they funnel money into campaigns of candidates for public office. These committees are known as political action committees (PACs).

Over 3,300 PACs gave more than \$80 million to U.S. congressional candidates in the 1982 elections. This is a 500 percent increase in the number of PACs and a 560 percent growth in PAC contributions since 1974, when 600 PACs gave \$12.5 million to House and Senate candidates. The problem with this PAC money is that it comes with strings attached. What the PACs want is access to legislators.

And their money does talk. So loudly that you, I and the interests of this country suffer. Studies show over and over again that all too often legislators decide issues in favor of the largest givers. Instead of our government being of, by and for us, it is becoming of, by and for the special interest PACs.

Junior Women thank those who supported play

DEAR EDITOR:

The GFWC Dallas Junior Woman's Club would like to publicly thank those who supported their recent production of the children's play "Annie Oakley and Buffalo Bill."

Many handicapped and underprivileged children were given the opportunity to attend the play through generous donations from the general public and local businesses.

The Dallas Juniors Woman's Club is a non-profit

What can you and I do about the disproportionate influence of PACs on our government? Fight back.

What we need is a limit on the amount of money congressional candidates can accept. Congressional elections should also be financed by a combination of small contributions from individual constituents and an equal amount of federal funding while PAC contributions should be held to a minimum. This is similar to the system we now use to finance presidential elections (enacted after the Watergate scandal) which has reduced the impact of PAC contributions on presidential campaigns to an almost insignificant level.

I urge you to join me in this fight against PACs by writing or calling Representative Frank Harrison. Let him know that you believe that we must change the way our elections are financed. Together, we can stifle the loud voice of money in politics and finally take Congress off the auction block from the highest bidders.

LEO G. KUCEWICZ JR.
WILKES-BARRE TWP.

organization, all proceeds realized from the play will benefit their annual scholarship fund and other special projects; such as health care programs, community children projects and helping others less fortunate than themselves.

Membership is open to all young women between the ages of 18-40. Further information, contact Valerie Gialanella at 675-5193.

Club president is Kathie Oravitz.
DALLAS JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB

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