

Commentary

Editor's notes

A little of this... ...a little of that

AFTER LAST WEEK'S COLUMN, I had all kinds of advice from people who are even older than I am. All week, people were telling me where I could have my hair colored, where I could buy a good, sturdy cane and how I can start planning my retirement.

There weren't a whole lot of compliments, though. Except for the older gentleman working in the state store in the Luzerne Shopping Center last Thursday.



DOTTY MARTIN

As I was preparing to entertain some friends that evening, I stopped

there on my home from the office and picked up a bottle of wine. When I got to the counter, the gentleman (bless his soul) asked me for an identification card because he wanted to know if I was old enough to buy a bottle of wine.

I didn't get his name, but I would personally like to thank that man for making my day - or even my week - or even the whole year.

A REMINDER TO PEOPLE who have been submitting letters to our "Letters to the Editor" column. Our letters policy requires that all letters to the editor be signed and include a telephone number for verification.

We will gladly withhold the author's name from the letter if he or she so desires, however, we must have a signed copy here in the office and we must have a telephone number so that we can call the writer to verify the letter.

All letters that are received without signatures are filed in File No. 13 - and we all know what that is.

I, personally, like to see letters to the editor. I read each and every one of them, however, I think if a person has a point he or she would like to get across to other people, they should take the time to include their name and phone number so that we can verify the letter and publish it for others to read. Chances are the author of the letter may find that several more people share the same opinion.

It bothers me when we get a letter to the editor that really makes a valid point and then, when I get to the bottom of the letter, it's signed something like "Interested Reader," or "Concerned Citizen." These letters never make their way past my desk and truly defeat their purpose.

So, writers of letters to the editor, please include your names and phone numbers so we can share your ideas and opinions with our other readers. I feel quite sure our readers would like to know what their neighbors are thinking.

SPEAKING OF LETTERS, any of you who may be faced with a perplexing problem or a sticky situation, you may want to write to "Aunt Patty."

"Dear Aunt Patty" is a column which will be appearing soon on The Dallas Post. It will be designed to answer our readers' questions on just about anything and everything they choose to ask. This column is strictly a local column and is not nationally syndicated.

If you have a question or a problem to which you would like an

outsider's opinion, write to "Dear Aunt Patty," c/o The Dallas Post, P.O. Box 366, Dallas, Pa., 18612. Then watch the Post for your answer.

PLANS ARE PROGRESSING for the Dallas High School Soccer Club flea market. Scheduled for April 20 at the senior high school, the flea market is being sponsored by the Soccer Parents Club and all profits will benefit the soccer team's upcoming trip to Scotland.

The committee for the flea market is encouraging area residents to clean out their attics, garages and cellars and set up a table at the flea market to sell their wares.

Anyone desiring to rent dealer space is asked to call 675-4566 or 696-1437.

A TIP OF THE WRESTLING MAT goes out to Lake-Lehman wrestlers Jeff Austin and Norman Clancy who finished in fifth and sixth places respectively at the State Wrestling Tournament held this past weekend in Hershey.

Austin took a fifth place in the 98 pound weight class while Clancy finished sixth in the 132 pound weight class.

Nice going, guys!

MY SINCERE SYMPATHY is extended to the family of the late Guyon Dilfield who passed away Saturday night at Nesbitt Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Dilfield had been a guest at Cross's Mountain View Guest Home in Sweet Valley for seven years and my stepister and I visited him on many occasions.

Mr. Dilfield's knowledge of current events in the country and around the world made him a joy to talk to and I will surely miss his company.

To his daughter, Mrs. Lois Reese of Hunlock Creek, and her family, may the memories of such a wonderful man comfort you at this time.

WHAT A DELIGHTFUL EXPERIENCE I had serving as a judge for the "Excellent in Journalism Competition" sponsored by the Western Washington Chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, the Society of Professional Journalists.

As a member of Sigma Delta Chi for nine years, I had the opportunity to judge the work of professional journalists throughout the state of Washington.

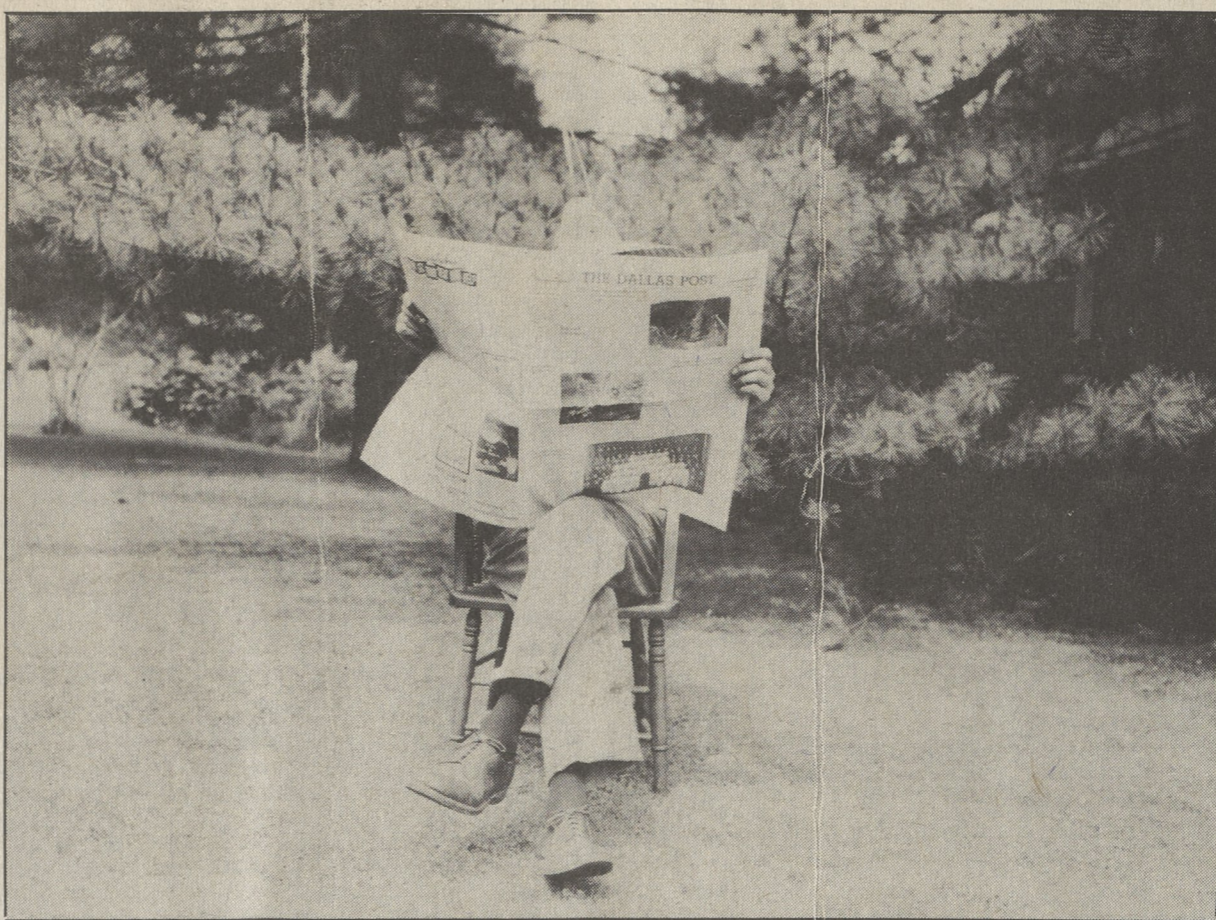
I chose the category of Sports Reporting and thoroughly enjoyed reading the kinds of things people across the country are writing.

PLANS ARE UNDERWAY for the first Appreciation Banquet sponsored by The Dallas Post.

Scheduled for Thursday, May 2, at the Idetown Fire Hall, The Post will be honoring its carriers and their families and its school correspondents and their families.

We will also be honoring the first-ever male and female student/athletes from both Dallas and Lake-Lehman High Schools. The four recipients of that award will be announced at a later date and will be formally recognized at our banquet.

The staff members are all looking forward to this banquet because it gives us the opportunity to recognize those students who have played such an important role in our operation during the year.



Relaxing

Don Weidner, of Lehman, relaxes with a copy of The Dallas Post behind the former office of The Dallas Post on Lehman Avenue. Weidner, who is now employed by Offset Paperback, Dallas, posed for a Post photographer sometime during the late 1960's. This photograph was then used in an ad, advertising The Dallas Post. (Thanks to Sandy Sheehan, of Dallas, for allowing us to use the photo.)

Only yesterday

Shindler Baking Co. opens local store

50 YEARS AGO - MARCH 22, 1935

Shindler Baking Company of Scranton opened a store in the former Meridian Restaurant building. An established company organized by a family of Dutch bakers, Shindlers also operated a bakery in Hoboken, N.J.

Ralph Eddinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Eddinger of Shavertown and a pupil of Miss Lillian Rood of Dallas was a first prize winner in piano solo competition at the annual Elsteddoff in Edwards Memorial Congregational Church in Edwardsville.

You could get - Legs of lamb 23c lb.; standing rib roast 25c lb.; corned beef 25c lb.; celery hearts 10c bunch; white grapes 2 lb. 29c; butter 2 lb. 65c; salmon 10c can; 2 lb. haddock 23c; prunes 4 lb. 25c; Ritz Crackers 2 1-lb. pkgs. 39c.

40 YEARS AGO - MARCH 23, 1945

Sgt. Louis Achuff of Fernbrook, radio gunner on a Flying Fortress missing on a bombing mission over Germany was reported by the War Department as a prisoner of War in Germany. Alfred J. Brown, Shavertown, was also reported as a German prisoner of war.

Fernbrook Stables on Pioneer Avenue planned a day of fun for horse owners. A paper chase in the morning will be followed by an afternoon featuring horseshow events for exhibition purposes.

Married - Irene Finney to Warren Rogers. Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Cragg Herdman, Beaumont, 25 years.

Deaths - Lawrence Gavek, in service in France; Dr. Sarah Wyckoff, Dallas, noted for her work in tuberculosis; Emma Butler, Kingston.

You could get - Bacon 41c lb.; eggs 44c doz.; oranges 43c doz.; onions 4 lb. 13c; apples 3 lb. 25c; Palmolive soap 3 bars 20c; margarine 26c lb.; cod 35c lb.; Crisco 3 lb. jar 68c; flour 10 lb. bag 47c; raisins 10c pkg.

30 YEARS AGO - MARCH 25, 1955

Projected widening of Route 309 from the vicinity of the Y near Casper's restaurant to the Wyoming County line south of Beaumont was approved by the Highway Department.

Dr. Jonas Salk's new polio vaccine awaited federal approval. Nine million school children of first and second grade age were awaiting vaccinations, following approval by the government. Locally, supervising principal of Dallas Borough-Kingston Township schools James Martin prepared students by sending out permission slips to parents.

Engaged - Agnes Schneiderite to Michael V. Smith, Jr.

Married - Alice Giberson to Marcy S. Evans; Joan Smith and John Giberson.

Deaths - Dr. Harry Albertson, Scranton; Anthony Cosma, Hunlock Creek.

You could get - Turkeys 55c lb.; picnic hams 29c lb.; ducklins 55c lb.; stewing oysters 69c pt.; haddock or cod fillet 39c lb.; Ivory soap 12 med. bars \$1; eggs 61c doz.; whole wheat bread 2 lg. lvs. 29c; coconuts 2-25c.

20 YEARS AGO - MARCH 25, 1965
Evaluation at Lake-Lehman High School by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools commenced.

Stating personal reasons, assistant police chief Jesse Coslett of Kingston Township tendered his resignation. James Sisco was appointed to the position.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Milton Perrigo, Demunds Road, 43 years; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Rood, Shavertown, 19 years.

Deaths - Sol Schleicher, New Goss Manor; Victoria Histolski, Carverton; Joseph Hoyt, Beaumont; Elizabeth Jones, Dallas.

You could get - Fresh turkeys 39c lb.; hams 29c lb.; honeydws 49c ea.; jelly eggs 25c lb.; pickles 3 pt. jars 89c; pink salmon 49c lb. can; brooms \$1.09; pt. bottle Easy Off oven cleaner 69c; Pillsbury cake mixes 89c.

10 YEARS AGO - MARCH 20, 1975

Bob Baird was feature soloist in the Dallas Senior High School Band concert. Baird played "A Trumpeter's Lullaby" accompanied by the Dixieland Combo which included John Kraynak, Scott Dilley, Jeff McDonald, Fred Ostrum, Kevin Bonowitz, Keith Samsman and Joe Sims.

Six candidates filed petitions to vie for three seats on the Lake-Lehman School board. Paul Crockett, Broadway, Richard C. Ide and Michael Slimak, Angelo DeCesaris, Edward Mark and Joyce Hrabowski sought school board seats.

Engaged - Karen Fry to John G. Puchalsky; Mary Ann Levi to Andrew B. Michaels.

Anniversaries - Mr. and Mrs. Louis Purvin, Shavertown, 50 years.

Deaths - Hazel M. Bennett, Shavertown; Althea Biddle, Dallas; Helen Stash, Dallas; Edna Gibbon, Old Goss Manor; John P. O'Neill, Dallas; Mabel O'Kelly, Shavertown; Eugene Lavelle, Dallas; John Brin, Sweet Valley; Maude Knight, Shavertown.

You could get - Boneless round roast \$1.39 lb.; smoked kohlhassi \$1.39 lb.; smoked hams \$1.19 lb.; Musselman's applesauce 3-15 oz. jars \$1; Kebbler Club crackers 16 oz. pkg. 65c; Shurfine margarine 2 lb. \$1.19; oranges 59c doz.

LIBRARY NEWS

By **NANCY KOZEMCHAK**
Library Correspondent

Well, here we are, one week into operating from our new facility on Huntsville Road and I must say it certainly is a welcome change from our other buildings on Main Street. We are still working around telephone men, electricians, plumbers, construction men and painters; but are beginning to get it all together and start catching up with the business at hand. We still have two piles of cartons in our office area and our new all-purpose room is in complete disarray, other than that, things have shaped up very well. Everyone who comes into the new library agrees; it is a beautiful asset to the Back Mountain community.

We have had three former employees visit this past week; Peggy Lord with her 15 month old son, a former typist; Bill Hartman, our former custodian; and Rita Kester, a former page. They all felt as we do, it is a beautiful place to work.

Anna Manzoni of RD 2, Dallas donated a lovely framed map of Alaska to the children's library which was sent to her after she visited there in 1968. She enjoyed her visit there so much and the map reminded her of the pleasant times and she decided it would be nice for the children who visit the library to enjoy it also. She also donated a 'hair seal,' a native seal of Alaska, made from actual seal hair and with real ivory tusks. We thank her for these gifts.

The Back Mountain Memorial Library is involved in a service to the public called Interlibrary Loan. If a patron needs a certain book and we do not have it in our collection, we can request it, through the Osterhout Library and they will try to locate it. The Osterhout van delivers and picks up from Back Mountain on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week. We recently received a book for a patron, Grace Nalbone, from Fort Campbell, Kentucky. If you need a really specialized book, try us and we will try Interlibrary Loan.

We are presently receiving on a regular basis 136 magazines, such as: American Craft, American Heritage, Antiques, Astronomy, Atlantic, Better Homes & Gardens, Boy's Life, Business Week, Changing Times, Christianity Today, New Yorker, Organic Gardening, Seventeen, Sports Illustrated and Time, to name a few. We also have a good assortment of children's magazines like: Big Backyard, Career World, Cobblestone, Cricket, Dynamite, Highlights, In Sports, Playmate and Ranger Rick. The current issue of the magazines are in the reference room and do not circulate; however other magazines circulate for a two week period.

STATE CAPITOL ROUNDUP

Here is a summary of important events that occurred on Capitol Hill last week from: Rep. Frank Coslett, 120th Legislative District.

STATE TAXPAYERS could save \$24 million in interest payments if a Thornburgh administration proposal is adopted in the 1985-86 budget. The recommendation would have the state use \$24 million of current state revenue to repay a portion of a \$190 million economic development bond issue approved by voters last year. Budget Secretary Robert Bittenbender estimated the total cost of bond redemption and interest payments over the next 20 years at \$285 million, if \$24 million of current revenue is used. The economic development money is to be used for nine programs, including loans and grants to economic development agencies, updating equipment at vo-tech schools and community colleges, aid to small businesses, a youth conservation corps program and minority business development.

PRESIDENTS OF three state-related universities have requested \$26 million more in funding than Gov. Dick Thornburgh proposed in his 1985-86 budget. Appearing before the House Appropriations Committee, the presidents of Temple, Lincoln and Pittsburgh universities said they need a total \$226 million in state money to avoid increasing tuitions for the fall semester. Pitt has requested \$103 million, Temple, \$115 million and Lincoln \$7.6 million.

HANDICAPPED PENNSYLVANIANS who use support dogs to accomplish routine tasks received good news from the House State Government Committee. The panel unanimously approved a bill permitting the dogs in public buildings. The measure, sponsored by Rep. Joseph R. Pitts (R-Chester), amends the law granting "seeing eye" and "hearing dogs" access to public buildings to include support dogs. Support dogs are specially trained to aid the mobility impaired. They can answer the telephone, open doors, turn on lights, assist individuals in climbing stairs, and generally helping in accomplishing necessary tasks.

New development will aid organizations with grants

By **HOWARD J. GROSSMAN**
Special to The Dallas Post

A new development has occurred which will help non-profit organizations and others become more knowledgeable of the availability of Foundation grants to improve services in the region.

The Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania has been designated as an Affiliate Library Resource Center to serve the seven counties of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

This designation was given by the Foundation Center, a national non-profit organization based in New York which publishes a wide range of important documents, to make it easier to obtain Foundation funding for programs and services of importance to the Pocono Northeast. For example, the Directory of Foundations which is published by the Foundation Center provides detailed information on national Foundations and others who can assist depending upon the type of project envisioned by local organizations to carry out their functions and responsibilities.

In some cases, projects can be developed which have statewide and

or regional significance in addition to having local impact, and may carry with them better chances for Foundation funding. In still other cases, projects can be localized in content depending upon the criteria by which a national, state or regional foundation provides such funding.

There are many foundations throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with many based in the Philadelphia and Pittsburgh metropolitan areas. In some of these cases, there may be limitations as to how their funding stream can benefit Northeastern Pennsylvania. However, no project of worthiness in the region should be bypassed on the basis of assumptions and/or mis-information.

With the designation at the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania have come a series of publications which continue to be updated periodically and which are available for use at the Council's headquarters in Pittsburgh.

The information can be gleaned by contacting the Council's Research Librarian, or communicating with the Council by telephone or personal visit in order to utilize

the publications directly. The office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The address is 1151 Oak Street, Pittston Township, Pa. and telephone number is (717) 655-5581.

The following is an example taken from the publication "Foundations for Individuals," and this particular entry is in the General Welfare category. There are also listings for scholarships, arts, grants and company employee opportunities.

LAKE (WILLIAM B.) FOUNDATION c/o Fidelity Bank, 135 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19109. Limitation: Residents of Pennsylvania. Financial Information: Year ended 5-31-82. Assets, \$310,602 (M); total giving, \$25,865, high \$5,951, low \$900.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: Grants have been awarded for living and other expenses, primarily to Philadelphia residents.

Also shown is an example of a listing that you will find in the Foundation Directory, 9th Edition.

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