

# OBITUARY

**REV. JAMES DOHERTY**  
Rev. James Doherty, a retired Methodist minister and resident of Danville, died at the Phillipsburg State Hospital Thursday afternoon, Feb. 27, 1941. He was admitted as a patient February 1. He had no known relatives. Rev. Doherty was a member of Hebron lodge, No. 465, Free and Accepted Masons at New Oxford, Harrisburg Consistory and Jaffa Shrine, Altoona. He was 73 years old and was a member of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church and retired a few years ago from active service.

**MRS. W. L. STRUNK**  
Mrs. Anna Kathryn Strunk, 69, wife of W. L. Strunk, died at her home at Lamar on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 26, 1941, after an illness of several years. She was a life-long resident of that vicinity and for many years a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church. Surviving in addition to her husband are two sons and one daughter, Freeman, of Brooklyn, Conn.; Ralph, of Salona, and Mrs. Edith Romig, at home; five grandchildren and two brothers, J. W. Keister and W. R. Keister, of Lamar. Funeral services were held at the late residence Friday at 2 p. m. in charge of the Rev. Paul J. Keller, of Snyderdortown. Interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

**JOHN WILLIAM KLINFELTER**  
John William Klinfelter, of Millheim, native of Brush Valley, died at his home in Millheim at 1:05 o'clock Sunday morning, March 2, 1941, after an illness with a complication of diseases. He was a son of Lutheran and Anna Elizabeth Klinfelter and was born at Smulltown on April 17, 1888, making his age at time of death 52 years, 10 months and 12 days. On August 13, 1922 he was united in marriage with Lida May Colver, who survives with one son, James, at home, and one sister, Mrs. Mabel Page, of Rebersburg. Funeral services were held yesterday morning at the home, with the Rev. H. A. Houseal officiating. Interment was made in the Fairview cemetery, Millheim. Mr. Klinfelter was a member of Keystone Post No. 444, American Legion of Millheim.

**MRS. MARY BEAHM BRAUCHT**  
Mrs. Mary Catherine Beahm Braucht, widow of the late William Edward Braucht, died at the home of her son, Rufus, near Woodward, at 12:10 o'clock Thursday morning, February 27, 1941, after a brief illness with a complication of diseases. Mrs. Braucht was a daughter of Henry and Sarah Harter Beahm and was born in Haines township on December 27, 1863, making her age at time of death 77 years and 2 months. Surviving are these children: Mrs. Frank P. Stover, Millheim, R. D.; and T. A. Braucht, R. J. Braucht and Miss Orpha Braucht, all of Woodward. Two brothers and a sister, namely: H. O. Beahm, of Aaronsburg; Andrew Beahm, of Coburn, and Mrs. N. F. Boyer, of Millheim, also survive. Funeral services were held Monday morning in the Coburn Lutheran church, with the Rev. O. E. Freeman officiating. Interment was made in the Aaronsburg cemetery.

**HARRY H. HAAG**  
Harry H. Haag, widely known Bellefonte resident, died at 10:05 o'clock Thursday morning, February 27, 1941, at his home on South Penn street, from the effects of two heart attacks suffered two weeks ago. He had not been in good health for several months, but had been bed-fast for only the last two weeks. He was a son of Gottlieb and Catherine Treys Haag, both natives of Germany, and was born in Lycoming county on October 23, 1864, making his age at time of death 76 years, 4 months and 4 days. On June 7, 1889 he was united in marriage with Margaret Noll, and two years ago the couple observed their golden anniversary. Surviving are his wife and these children: Mrs. Mabel Dollinger, of Ashabula, Ohio; Ralph Haag, Bellefonte; Gottlieb Haag, at home; Phillip Haag, of Tyrone, and Paul Haag and Mrs. Malcolm Aikey, of Huntingdon. Mr. Haag was a member of St. John's Lutheran church, Bellefonte. He and Mrs. Haag have resided in the same house on Penn street since their marriage 52 years ago. Mr. Haag was a member of the Undine Fire Company for more than 50 years and for a period of years he was a

trustee of that company. By occupation he was a concrete finisher, having retired from active life some years ago. Funeral services were held at the Widdowson Funeral Home, North Allegheny street, Sunday afternoon, with the Rev. Clarence E. Arnold, pastor of the Lutheran church, officiating. Interment was made in the Union cemetery, Bellefonte.

**MRS. SARAH L. MCCAULLEY**  
Mrs. Sarah L. McCaulley, wife of Harry E. McCaulley of Tipton, died at her home Wednesday night, Feb. 26, 1941, aged 74 years. She is survived by her husband and these sons and daughters: Arthur McCaulley, Cleveland, Ohio; William McCaulley, New Jersey; Mrs. John B. Barr, Bellefonte; Mrs. E. L. Bidle, Tipton; Mrs. Arthur Harshberger and Mrs. Howard McMahon, Altoona; also a brother, Thaddeus Stevens of Tipton, and a sister, Mrs. Martin Shay of Altoona.

**JOHN C. FABER**  
John C. Faber, well known retired Pennsylvania Railroad freight station clerk, who made his home with Mr. and Mrs. David Jones, of Altoona, died at 9:25 o'clock Monday night, March 3, 1941, at the Altoona hospital after an extended illness. Born June 3, 1865, at Pine Grove Mills, Centre county, he was the son of John C. and Sarah (Nichols) Adams Faber. He retired from the employ of the railroad company six years ago. He is survived only by one half-brother, Harry Swoope Adams, of Tyrone. Mr. Faber was a member of the Grace Methodist church and the P. O. S. of A.

**WILLIAM HANLEY**  
William Hanley, a life-long resident of this section and for many years an employe at the McCoy Iron works during its operation, died at 11:25 o'clock Sunday night, March 2, 1941, at his home near Milesburg, of complications. He was the son of Thomas Hanley and was born Jan. 29, 1864, making his age 77 years, 1 month and 3 days. His wife, formerly Lena Rhodes, has been dead for a number of years. Surviving are three children: Thomas of Rochester, N. Y.; Eugene, of Lock Haven; Mrs. Roy Kerstetter, of Corry, Pa.; Mrs. Ode Watkins, of Bellefonte, R. D.; Miss Helen Hanley and Mrs. William Snook, of Milesburg. Also one brother, Elmer Hanley, of Burnham, survives. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Milesburg Methodist church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. M. F. Kerstetter. Interment was made in the Trezjuly cemetery.

**MRS. ARTHUR B. BINGHAM**  
Mrs. Marion Ruth Bingham, wife of Arthur B. Bingham, of State College, assistant professor of agriculture extension, at Penn State, died at the Centre County Hospital at 5:15 o'clock Monday morning, March 3, 1941, of complications following a several weeks' illness. She was 49 years, 8 months and ten days at the time of her death. Mrs. Bingham was born in Chicago, Ill. on June 23, 1891, a daughter of Henry E. and May Mann Graves. She is survived by her mother. On October 23, 1916, she was married to Arthur B. Bingham, who survives. A sister, Mrs. L. R. Walker of River Forest, Ill., also survives. The deceased was a member of St. Paul's Methodist Church, State College. Funeral services were held at the church Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Harry F. Babcock officiating. The body was shipped to Chicago for interment.

**WESLEY J. HACKENBERG**  
Wesley J. Hackenberg, well known resident of Rebersburg and for 28 years affiliated with the Hamburg Broom Company, Hamburg, Pa., died at his home in Rebersburg at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning, February 27, 1941, of a heart ailment. Mr. Hackenberg was a son of Robert and Susan Hackenberg and was born in Millheim on September 30, 1877, making his age at time of death 63 years, 4 months and 27 days. Surviving are his wife, the former Verleena Breon, with whom he was united in marriage on January 26, 1898; three children, Mrs. C. F. Catherman, of Hanover; Harold, of Rebersburg, and Mrs. W. R. Zacharians, of Allentown, and these brothers and sisters: Jerome, of Salona; Mrs. Clarence Musser, of Aaron-

burg; Shem, of Rebersburg; Mrs. Lily Musser, of Williamsport and Mrs. Lottie Stover, of Muncy. Mr. Hackenberg was a member of the Rebersburg Reformed church and of the Rebersburg I. O. O. F. lodge. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Rebersburg Reformed church, with the Rev. Fred Denbeaux officiating. Interment was made in the Rebersburg cemetery.

**MRS. NORMAN DINGES**  
Mrs. Norman Dinges, of Clearfield, aunt of Von B. Johnson, of Snow Shoe, passed away at the Phillipsburg State Hospital early Friday morning, February 28, 1941, from the effects of an operation she underwent last Tuesday. Mrs. Dinges, a cousin of Mrs. William Meeker of the Spruce Run Hunting Camp, was in her late 50's. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the First Methodist church, Clearfield, with interment in Memorial cemetery, Clearfield.

**CLEMENT HARTER**  
Clement Harter, of Jacksonville, passed away at the Centre County Home, Bellefonte, Thursday morning, February 27, 1941, after a long illness with a complication of diseases. He had been a guest at the home for more than a year. Mr. Harter was a son of Andrew and Susan Arbegast Harter and was born in Marion township on October 17, 1871, making his age at time of death 69 years, 4 months and 10 days. His wife, the former Emma Corman, preceded him in death. Surviving are the following children: Mrs. Robert Breon, John Harter and Mrs. Charles Weber, all of Bellefonte; Ward Harter, of Davenport, Iowa, and Mrs. Joseph Meyers, of Pleasant Gap. Also surviving are a brother, Albert Harter, of Renovo; a sister, Mrs. Lawrence Hill, of the Methodist Home in Tyrone, and nine grandchildren. Mr. Harter was a member of the Jacksonville Reformed church and the I. O. O. F. lodge of Bellefonte. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Wetzel Memorial Chapel, Milesburg, with the Rev. C. Nevin Stamm, of the Reformed church, Bellefonte, officiating. Interment was made in the Zion cemetery.

**Lewistown Salesman Killed as Car Hits Pole**  
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Additional charges of involuntary manslaughter and drunken driving were made by the State motorist against Charles M. Griswold, 66, of Alum Bank, Bedford county, whose car caused the death of Molly. Griswold was released in \$1,000 bond for a hearing later.

**WRECKS CAR IN ALTOONA ENROUTE TO STATE COLLEGE**

David J. Freet, Jr., of Struthers, Ohio, a young chemical engineer enroute to pick up a friend at State College, from where he was graduated last June, drove the wrong direction over a one-way street in Altoona, Sunday, and landed in the Altoona hospital with a broken jaw and chest injuries. Freet, it is reported, swerved his car away from a parked car into the street car tracks and crashed head-on into a trolley, which he thought was going in the opposite direction.

**Car Goes Over Embankment.**  
Andrew Gavlock and son, Martin, of Hammerley Fork, escaped serious injury last week when the car driven by the younger Gavlock skidded on ice at the turn at Trout Run, near Hammerley Fork, Clinton County, and crashed down a 50-foot embankment. Neither occupant was hurt and the car was damaged about \$100 worth it was estimated. The men were returning from Renovo over roads which are clear of ice. In making the turn, however, the car probably veered to the side of the road where some ice remained.

The reading of books is to be encouraged but not everybody who reads a book gets something.

## THE WAR IN EUROPE

It is not the purpose of this column, which appears weekly, to attempt to forecast what will happen in the various theatres of warfare. What we try to do is to discuss the possibilities and to give information which will enable an intelligent reader to appraise the situation and to understand some of the developments as they occur. Illustrating this purpose, we cannot tell whether Germany will make an actual attempt to invade Greece, whether the drive, if it comes, will stem from Bulgaria or Yugoslavia or both countries, or say positively what Turkey or Russia will do. Wars are not fought upon such clearly defined strategy as to enable anyone to accurately predict events before they occur.

**Two Valleys of Invasion**  
If Germany invades Greece, the offensive will develop along the Struma River valley from Sofia to Salonika or in Yugoslavia from Belgrade down the broader valley of the Vardar river. These are the natural routes of invasion and while the Greeks have made efforts to fortify their positions, it is doubtful if they will be able, alone and unaided, to hold the German invasion and at the same time keep Mussolini's Fascists engaged in Albania.

The attitude of Turkey and Yugoslavia are important because together they can put about a million and a half soldiers in the field. Both nations have good fighting men, although not equipped for mechanized warfare. Nevertheless, bolstered by British assistance and taking advantage of favorable terrain, the two nations might well make even the German army think twice before bringing them into the struggle.

**Salonika The Rich Prize**  
The key to the Greek situation is the port of Salonika, from which the Allies built up an eastern front during the World War. Experts say it is easily defensible. In the World War the Allies' defenses stretched from Stavros to the Vardar marshes, a distance of fifty-five miles. Nearly 150,000 soldiers were required. Today, with German threats from two sides more men would be required.

That the British are working feverishly to develop the Balkan situation favorably is seen in the visit of Eden and General Dill to Libya and Turkey. Naturally, the British must determine whether to push their attack against Tripoli or send the victorious troops of Gen. Wavell to the aid of Greece. The latter course would appear necessary if Germany attempts to invade Yugoslavia to stand firm against German pressure.

**Mysterious Strategy Involved**  
In connection with Balkan developments it is well to remember that German tactics in the area, since the beginning of the war, have been apparently aimed at preserving the Balkans as a base of supplies. The Nazi are willing to extend their conquests without military action, if possible, and in Rumania and Bulgaria they have undoubtedly succeeded. Maybe, in time, they expect to do the same in Yugoslavia and Turkey.

Greece, it is reported, has twice rejected British offers of greater military assistance. The Greeks, it seems, believe that with aerial help they can handle the Fascists in Albania and want to do nothing to invite a German attack. However, if British troops arrive at Salonika, and there are rumors that they are on the way, the conclusion will be inevitable that Greece fears a real German drive. Certainly, if the British go into Greece the Nazis will have no choice but to accept the proffered challenge.

**British Move Forward in Africa**  
Continued progress by the British is reported from Italian East Africa, which includes Italian Somaliland, the former Ethiopia and Eritrea. Gradually, the British are

## Vacant Tannery Is Razed by Flames

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fighting a stubborn blaze which caused great damage the previous night and for a time threatened the entire borough, moved their truck from its quarters and were ready to dash away at a moment's notice.

**Reflected For Miles**  
So great was the blaze, the redness of the sky was noticed in the western section of Williamsport. Beech Creek reported that a meeting at the Presbyterian church adjourned a little early as the flames shone through the windows as the church was darkened for the showing of some motion pictures. Beech Creek people first thought Corman's farm home was ablaze.

The tannery operations were conducted in a number of buildings, standing apart by themselves or attached to facilitate departmental handling. A check showed the scope of destruction as follows: Half of the tan yard, west of the fire wall, which included the entire dry loft and a portion of the rolling loft. The beach room, a brick building attached to the tan yard, was the structure that burned in a second fire Saturday morning.

In the direction toward the Lock Haven Silk Mill, the beam house, to which was attached the hide house, also went up in flames as did the hair house, standing by itself south of the beam house.

The small brick building along the Pennyc tracks also gave up the ghost. With it went a bit of sentiment. That was the building first used as an office for the West Branch Tannery by its founder, Wilson Kistler, in 1870.

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"Avoid kites with metal ribs. Use strong cord—no wire or line twine—and keep it dry. Wet string will conduct electricity—and metal can cause a 'short' if your kite should land on wire."

"Keep a steady pull on the string. If the wind slackens, haul the kite down. Add more tail if the kite darts or dives."

"If your kite should land on wires or a pole, climbing after it or trying to knock it down with sticks and stones is dangerous. The kite is sure to be worthless anyway—and you may damage wires, cutting off the electricity from many homes."

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