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LOCAL AND STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

Condensed Items Gathered from Various Sources for the Busy Reader.

Mrs. Mary Alpin, wife of the Rev. Mr. Alpin, pastor of the Barnesboro Baptist church, died on Monday morning at the Miners hospital at Spangler. She was admitted to the institution on Aug. 11.

The Rev. John R. Thomas, pastor of the Ebensburg Congregational Church, Sunday conducted the sixtieth anniversary services at the Bethany Congregational church located midway between Ebensburg and Wilmore.

Eighth grade examinations for all who failed or who were unable to take the regular tests last week given to nearly 200 boys and girls from all sections of the county at Ebensburg last week. The examinations were under the direction of the County Superintendent, M. S. Bentz, and his assistant, G. W. Stephens.

James Norman, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney J. Diehl, died at the parental home in Cresson on Thursday last of convulsions.

Steve Markovich, aged 5 years of Portage, died at the parental home there last Friday of pneumonia. He is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

Miss Margaret Fisher, aged 64, a resident of South Fork, died at that place of a complication of diseases on Thursday last.

Damage estimated at \$3,000 was occasioned by a fire in the stock room of the Charles McKeown printing establishment in Johnstown on Friday.

Five thousand persons assembled on Thursday of last week at Williamsburg, Blair county, to hold their annual community picnic. Charles M. Schwab of Lortree, born in the town, was the guest of honor.

Miss Anna Yuhas, aged 15 years, a student at the Portage High School died on Friday night at the Memorial hospital after an illness of a complication of diseases.

South Fork was picked as the place for holding the 1928 convention of the Northern Cambria Firemen at the convention sessions held in Barnesboro last week.

Miss Ruth Eger and Carl Conrad, both of Sankertown, were united in marriage at Cresson last week.

According to the Cresson Record Joseph Dibranski, of Patton was charged with malicious mischief made by a citizen of that place, alleging that in operating a motor truck he knocked down an electric light pole, and failed to notify authorities of the accident. At a hearing he was ordered to make restitution and was given a severe reprimand.

Union miners will hold a community picnic at South Fork on Labor Day.

Don't forget the annual Harvest Home Picnic at Chest Springs on Saturday of this week.

Between 350 and 400 men employed by the Hughes Coal Company at Benscreek, who are operating their mine on the Jacksonville agreement, are out on strike this week on an effort to have certain wages paid adjusted.

Dr. W. D. Hall of Glen Cambell has returned to his home after spending a couple of months studying in Europe.

John Henry Madison, 62 year old miner of South Fork, died at that place on Thursday last. He was born in England and came to this country at the age of 17. His wife preceded him to the grave. A number of children survive.

Five members of the state police detachment stationed at Ebensburg were transferred Sunday to Spangler where they will have headquarters at the Brandon hotel, six members of the same troop remain in Ebensburg, and three are stationed at Twin Rocks. It is rumored that additional members of Troop E, of Harrisburg will be assigned to Cambria County during the week.

NORTHERN CAMBRIA STORES TO CLOSE NEXT THURSDAY

Thursday of next week being designated as Northern Cambria day at the annual Cambria county fair at Ebensburg, the secretary of the Northern Cambria Business Men's Association, P. O. Holtz, of Hastings, announces that the stores of the North Cambria Merchants will be closed all day Thursday, Sept. 8th, instead of the usual half day.

STEPHEN REJBA, died on Saturday night at the home of a neighbor where he was visiting. A physician was summoned but he was dead before his arrival. Death was found to have been caused by acute alcoholism. The widow and three children survive.

The funeral services were conducted at nine o'clock on Sunday morning in the Greek church at Barnesboro and interment was in the church cemetery.

PICNIC AND PIG SHOW. A picnic and pig show will be held at St. Lawrence on Saturday of this week. The St. Lawrence Pig Club is sponsoring the doings. The social part of the affair will be in the nature of a basket picnic and there will be dancing on the program. For the show judges from Penn State College and the County Farm Bureau will be on hand to decide the respective merits of the swine.

REAL RACING EVENTS Start on Saturday of This Week At Ebensburg.

"They're off will be heard at the Ebensburg track next Saturday at two p. m. when the runners will make their debut in the Pennsylvania public, operating under the rules of the Kentucky Racing Commission. With that stern judge, Sidney Bender, in the presiding judgment, today on the oval at Ebensburg. Never in the history of Pennsylvania racing have there been such a large number and such excellent quality horses housed on one track as there are to be found in Ebensburg during the meeting which will hold forth daily up to and including Saturday, September 10th, with six races daily, rain or shine.

The larger purses, combined with Kentucky Racing Commission's rules prevailing, have been instrumental in attracting a great number of owners to Ebensburg, who are not to leave the major tracks of the country. This in turn will be responsible in bringing to Ebensburg a class of horses that are seldom found in a small track, and it is also responsible for attracting a variety of riding talent that in point of efficiency cannot be surpassed anywhere.

That stable room will be at a premium is best evidenced by the fact that despite the construction of additional barns racing secretary Calman, is already endeavoring to devise ways and means for housing the number in excess of stable accommodations.

Patrons of the sport will have an opportunity never before presented, as several of the stables scheduled to ship horses that have recently shattered track records at Lexington and Columbus, while at least two derby winners this year are included in the stables scheduled to ship to Ebensburg. The riding talent will comprise six boys who are included in the twenty-five leading race riders in the United States and Canada this year.

Every modern convenience to be found on any race track in the country is to be found at the Ebensburg track and the management has expended a great deal of money to provide the public with every comfort and convenience. Indications for a record crowd on the opening day on Sept. 3, are anticipated, with grandstands filled to capacity when Starter Brown springs the barrier on the first race at two p. m. next Saturday.

SPORTSMEN HOT AFTER PROHIBITION AGENTS

In reply to the request of the Cambria County Sportsmen, that he report to prohibition enforcement officials in Pittsburg the recent pollution and killing of the fish in Sandy Run, near Portage, as the result of federal officers dumping large quantities of mash and raw liquor into the stream, United States Commissioner Ray Patton Smith, of Johnstown, has issued a statement.

The sportsmen believe that the federal officers should properly discipline, instruct and be responsible for their agents that commissioner Smith should take some action in carrying out his duty as commissioner. However, it is not the duty of Mr. Smith as a commissioner to institute a prosecution, even where he knows of a violation of the law. He says:

"Since it is not the duty of Commissioner Smith to report the matter to the Pittsburg enforcement officers, from which office the agents are working, the liquor and mash were dumped into the stream, the sportsmen say they will present the case to John D. Pennington, Pittsburgh, federal enforcement director. They state that unless the federal officers make an investigation, and take action, if warranted, they will insist that State Fish Commissioner N. R. Butler of that state water and power resources board prosecute the persons alleged to have filled the fish in the stream. The statement of Commissioner Smith, is as follows:

"The office of the United States Commissioner is not a prosecuting office as is a district attorney's office. Even without the aid of the United States Commissioner knows of a violation it is not his duty to institute a prosecution. It is the duty of the district attorney to do so in such a case as this. I have called the public attention to the matter which you have called to my attention. I must therefore say that I have no authority as United States Commissioner to prosecute anyone who violates these prohibition agents were prosecuted under a federal statute and the case brought before me in the usual regular way.

"Prohibition officers, like police officers constables and all other officers should be held to strict accountability for their conduct in such cases as this. An officer is not desirable. An inactive officer is of no value at all; in fact is a detriment. He prevents a real officer from filling his shoes.

Mr. John D. Pennington, prohibition officer for this district, is a thorough, conscientious executive. I am without constructive criticism of any of the activities of his department. If his agents have been guilty of any misconduct in this case, or any other, any one may report the matter to him and I am sure an investigation will be made of any apparently serious matter.

CHEST SPRINGS TO HAVE BIG ANNUAL PICNIC SATURDAY

Chest Springs is planning for its annual Harvest Home Picnic and big home coming celebration in the grove at that place on Saturday of this week, the ladies being busy for some time planning and preparing an elegant chicken and veal dinner and supper for the general public who are cordially invited to attend.

The affair will actually start on Friday evening of this week when a square dance will be on the card at the hall at that place. Square dancing will also be a feature on Saturday afternoon and in the evening until 9 o'clock, when it will be superseded by round dancing. An excellent orchestra has been secured and a good time can be looked forward to.

There will be games and amusements of all kinds. The Harvest Home picnic has grown to be a grand time and has grown to be a grand time at Chest Springs, and has also grown to be a grand time at all over the north of the county. Plan to attend it.

Article in the Courier.

Red Head Queen



Miss Ardyth Gragg ambled into town from her father's truck farm near Tulsa, Okla., and walked off with the beauty crown for Farmer's Weeks at Oklahoma A and M College.

FRANCIS CAMPBELL CALLED BY DEATH

Prominent Patton Citizen Expires Suddenly At His Home, Monday.

Francis Campbell, aged 70 years, a well known retired mine foreman of the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Corporation and one of Patton's best known and respected citizens, died of paralysis at his home here at 10:30 o'clock on Monday evening. His end came suddenly and unexpectedly. Although not in good health for some time, Mr. Campbell had been about, and an additional stroke from which he failed to rally claimed him in a very short period.

Mr. Campbell, who has served as a member of the Patton School Board for a number of years, has always taken an active part in the municipal affairs of Patton, he having been a resident here for the past 35 years. He was a member of St. Mary's church, this place and of the Barnesboro Council of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Campbell is survived by his widow, and the following children, John and Walter, both of Patton; Joseph of California; Mrs. William Lamont of Bakerton; Mrs. C. A. Tague of Columbus, Ohio; and Margaret and Jean both at home. He also leaves the following brothers and sisters: Patrick and Joseph Campbell and Mrs. John Cunningham, all of Portage, and Sister Josephine, of St. Joseph's convent at Erie.

The funeral services will be held at nine o'clock on Friday morning at St. Mary's Catholic church, when a high mass of requiem will be celebrated. Interment will follow in St. Mary's cemetery.

BROADWAY LIMITED WRECK AT GALLITZIN KILLS TWO

Running at the rate of 35 miles an hour through a heavy fog, the east bound Broadway Limited, crack Pennsylvania flier, was derailed at Monday morning, after passing the Gallitzin tunnel the lead engine jumped the track, swerved to the right and plunged down a 100 foot embankment, carrying with it to their deaths both members of the crew, C. L. Garrett of Pitcairn, the engineer and R. C. Spangler of Derry, the fireman.

The second locomotive of the train ran about 100 yards along the track, then derailed and made a nose dive into the earth. The fireman, Emory J. Hartman of Wilkingsburg, was severely, probably fatally injured. The engineer, Edward Hunter of Crafton was severely scalded. Only two others on the train were injured, neither seriously—E. J. Sutton, of New York, baggage master and J. W. Simpson, of Manor, Pa., conductor.

What caused the derailment was at the time of going to press undetermined. It took many hours for the crack wreck crews of the P. R. R. to clear the tracks for traffic.

OPEN HUNTING SEASONS. Railbirds—Sept. 1 to Nov. 30. Mduhens and gallinules—Oct. 1 to Jan. 15.

Wild ducks, except wood ducks and eider—Oct. 1 to Jan. 15. Wild turkeys, grouse, rinnexes and quail—Nov. 1 to Nov. 15. Squirrels—Nov. 1 to Nov. 15. Rabbits and hares—Nov. 1 to Nov. 30.

Fur bearing animals—Nov. 1 to end of February. Bears over one year old—Nov. 15 to Dec. 15. Deer and elk—Dec. 1 to Dec. 15.

MISS KATHLEEN REFFNER. Miss Kathleen Reffner, aged six years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Reffner of Spangler, died at the Miners' hospital at 3 o'clock Friday morning. Death was caused by a complication of diseases. Her health had been impaired for the past three months. She was admitted to the hospital last Saturday a week ago.

FRIGIDAIRE PRICES LOWER. See the Frigidaire and Delco light exhibit at the Cambria County Fair. New low prices.

L. E. KAYLOR, Dealer, Ebensburg, Pa.

REV. GORMAN TELLS OF TRIP IN IRELAND

Finds Conditions Have Changed in Ireland Since He Left Twenty Years Ago.

The editor is in receipt of a letter, dated August 19th, from the Rev. P. T. Gorman, pastor, St. Mary's Church of this place, who has been spending the past month or so in a visit to his native land—Ireland. Here it is:

The Maze, Hillsborough, Ireland, August 19th, 1927.

Dear Mr. Owens: I have been thinking of the folks of the old home town very much during the past month. It may seem rather strange to be speaking of Patton, Pennsylvania. It was my second outing, after residing in the house where I was reared. I find myself strangely out of touch with this land of my birth. Twenty years in America have left their impression and their changes felt. Ireland still but an entirely different island from the one I left as a lad. Coming over this time I landed at Kingston on a dark, and stormy crossing from Highgate in England. The boat was filled to overflowing that is correct in one way at least) and your humble servant stood out in the rain all night. I have heard it said that the roughest bit of water in the world is the Bay of Biscay, and the next is the Irish Sea. I am quite ready to agree to these views and persons on the boat that were not the victims of mal de mer, I failed to see them. Daybreak and the Irish coast were welcome sights. Imagine if you can two hundred wet and cold people standing in line to have their baggage examined by the customs inspectors of the Irish Free State. Dooer this help of the British and I was to have still another one bit later in the day when we crossed into Ulster. The train for Belfast was waiting and in a very few hours we were in the City of the North. It is a truly beautiful city with a population of nearly one million. Rope manufacturing, ship building and linen weaving are its principal industries. Here are built most of the White Star liners, the Titanic among the largest of them.

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Shares With Buddies



T. G. Shaw of Ft. Worth, Tex., hit it rich in oil. He remembered his wild days, the proceeds of which will pay for fifty homes for AEF convalescents and families in the Kerrville Hills near San Antonio.

THOMAS ROUNDSELY FATALLY INJURED

Former Patton Miner Dies In A Pittsburg Hospital As Result of Accident.

Thomas Roundsely, aged 41 years, formerly a resident of Patton, died Thursday night at the Allegheny General hospital, Pittsburg, as the result of severe head injuries sustained when caught in a premature explosion while working in the Pine Run Coal Company mine at Vandlergriff.

The body arrived here on Friday night and was taken to the home of William Elms. Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon in the Church of God, of which the deceased was a member. Interment was in Fairview cemetery. Elder L. G. Gorsuch conducted the church services.

Mr. Roundsely is survived by his widow, Mrs. Sarah (Cartwright) Roundsely, and five children, Ralph, Regina, Elizabeth, Frank and Lois all at home. He also leaves his mother Mrs. Sarah Roundsely of Patton, and one brother, Edward Roundsely, and one sister, Mrs. Ebnar Caskey, both of Johnstown. The deceased was a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, of this place.

GIRL FATALLY HURT IN MOTOR ACCIDENT

Miss Grace Buck, aged 22 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Buck, of Buck's Mills on the Carrolltown Road, near Bradley union, was fatally injured and three companions escaped with minor injuries early on Sunday morning when an automobile in which they were riding crashed into a pole near the intersection of the William Penn Highway and the Cresson detour, near the Half Way Inn. Miss Buck was taken to the Mercy hospital, Altoona, where she died after four hours later. She suffered a fracture of the skull, concussion of the brain and severe body injuries.

The ill fated car was driven by Thomas Donahue of Patton, and other occupants in addition to Miss Buck included a young lady and gentleman. After the fatal crash the automobile caught fire and was destroyed. Miss Buck was taken to the hospital by Donahue and a resident of Cresson who arrived on the scene shortly after the accident. It is said that the car crashed into the pole as the result of being forced off the highway to avoid a collision with another machine.

Miss Buck is survived by her parents, one sister, Madeline, and two brothers, Francis and Ferdinand. She was employed at the Orange Tea Room in Cresson.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning in St. Michael's church at Loretto and interment was in the church cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish, through the columns of the Courier to express our sincere appreciation to all who so kindly assisted us during the recent bereavement we have experienced, the death of our husband and father, Thoms Roundsely.—Mrs. Sarah Roundsely and family.

PATERICK FAMILY OUTING.

The Paterick family held its annual reunion at Allegheny Lake recently. A delightful program of entertainment was provided. Present from Patton were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heist and family and Joseph Fox.

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BRIDGE PARTY FOR PATTON NEWLYWEDS

A bridge party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Short, newlyweds was held by a group of friends at their home on Mellon avenue, recently. The affair was planned to be a surprise to the young couple who lately took up housekeeping. The group that schemed the social gathering provided everything needed to make an evening of entertainment.

PARTY AT GALL HOME.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Gall of West Macez avenue, entertained a number of young folks at their home recently. A program of games, music and dancing delighted the guests. A daintily appointed lunch was served to the following: Betty Boyer, Louise Dees, Margaret Gall, Mary McLaughlin, Mary Stoltz, Harold Craun, Fritz Churella, and Clark Heist all of Patton and Archie Gall and Frank Pulson of Chicago, house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gall.

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