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# Patton Courier

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## WEST POINT AN EXCITING PICTURE

Glories of the Military Life Are  
Filmed With Fidelity at  
the U. S. Academy.

West Point—the very name suggests romance, glorious traditions and patriotism. All of these are embodied in William Haines' new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle, which comes to the Grand Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. In this the audience will follow his career as a cadet through the government's military academy.

It's a story of youth and romance—with the thrills of a great football struggle, the spectacle of parades and evolutions of Uncle Sams future officers—and a delicate romance between Haines' and Joan Crawford running through it.

Haines plays a "fresh" young man who comes to West Point to play football. The traditions of the corps mean nothing to him. He's conceited, selfish, wayward.

The remarking of the youth from this raw material into ideal timber for officership is strikingly shown in a dramatic and entertaining sequence. There are many comedy moments in his training—some of which Haines takes the fullest advantage; there are heart throbs as the cadet is put through the bitter experiences that must be his lot before he can learn the lesson of the corps; one has every sympathy with him while realizing that he deserves the lesson and that it's all for his good. The love theme is wonderfully carried out by Haines and Joan Crawford, who plays the heroine of the new story.

One of the outstanding characterizations is the work of William Bakewell as the timid young "Tex," adoring friend of the football hero and Ralph Emerson and Neil Neeley give eloquent portrayals as student officers. Major Raymond G. Moses of the United States Army, who plays the role he plays in real life as instructing officer at West Point, handles his part cleverly.

Edward Sedzewick, who directed Haines in "Slide, Kelly, Slide," and in "Spring Fever," directed the new picture from an original story by Raymond L. Schrock.

## JOHNSTOWNERS AT SPANGLER MEETING

Northern Cambria Kiwanis Pro-  
gram Is Handled By the  
South County Men.

The Northern Cambria Kiwanis Club at its regular meeting at the Brandon hotel, Spangler, on Monday evening, had as its guests twenty-three members of the Johnstown Kiwanis Club. Special musical numbers by the Adelphi Quartette of the South Cambria City and an address by Dr. H. C. Michael, pastor of the Moxham Lutheran Church, who appeared in the role of "The Ambassador of Good Will," carrying a message of friendship from the South Cambria Kiwanians, were features of the program.

George Clark, president of the local Kiwanis club opened the meeting and then turned the gavel over to O. M. The Adelphi Quartette, who then gave several selections, and William Udegrave of Johnstown contributed to the entertainment with magic tricks that were received with enthusiastic favor.

## COAL AND IRON POLICE PAY FINES OF \$100 EACH

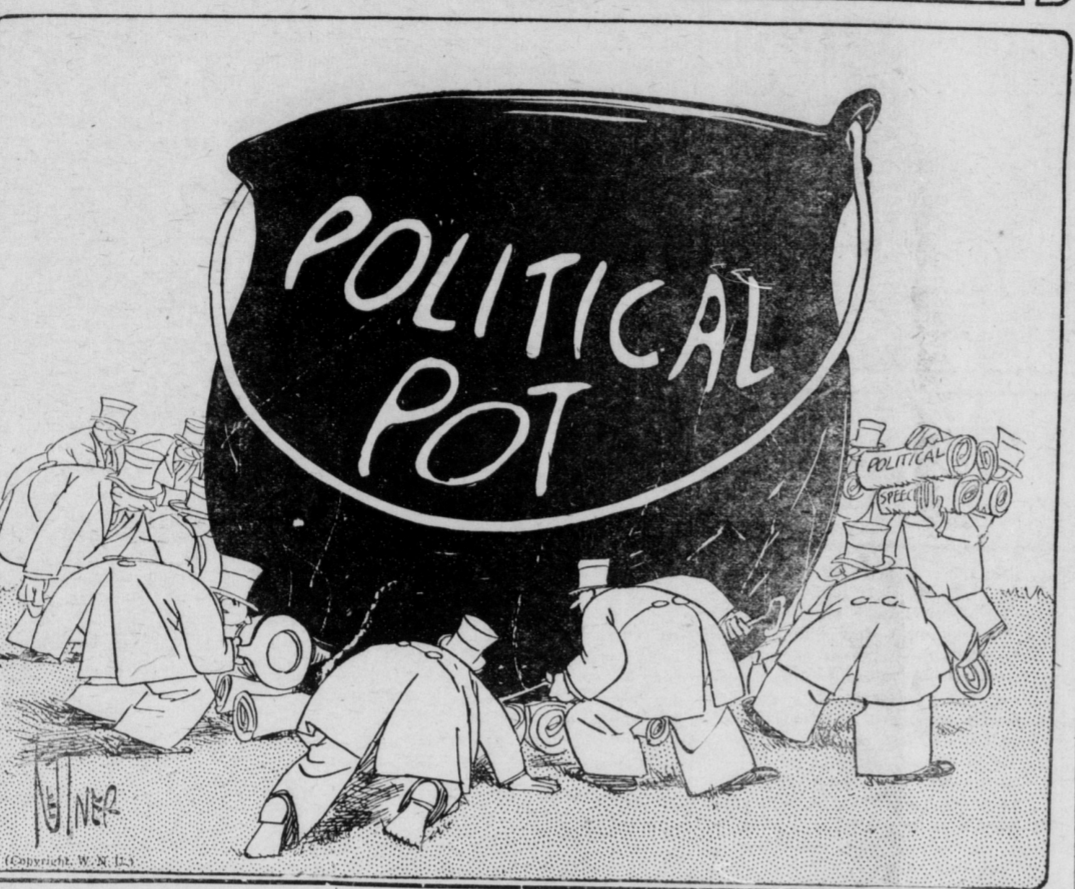
L. A. Dustin of Greensburg and W. R. Hill of Donora, coal and iron policemen employed by the Pennsylvania Coal and Coke Corporation, at the sub station near Summerhill, were sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and costs each when they were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Rowland in Ebensburg to answer charges of draining a dam near Summerhill with out permission of the state water commission. The men were arrested last Thursday by Deputy Fish Warden E. A. Miller of Donora, who discovered that the men had made a wholesale raid on the dam, which contained some choice carp and some game fish.

When arrested, it is alleged, the two policemen had broken the breast of the dam and were draining the water out into a small dam which they had built of logs. In the smaller dam they had a screen with a one inch mesh, in which they were capturing the larger fish. Deputy Warden Miller believes that it required at least 24 hours for the men to drain the dam and, when they were placed under arrest, had a tub full of large fish he declares. Many of the large fish and several buckets of the small fish were returned to the original dam by Warden Miller after repairs had been made to the breastwork.

The dam is known as the shaft dam and formerly was used to supply Ebensburg with water. Major Taylor of Ebensburg, who is in charge of the coal and iron policemen for coal companies in this section, announced that the two men had been promptly discharged by him when advised that they had broken the dam.

Dual track meet, Carrolltown High School vs. Ebensburg, Carrolltown Fair Grounds, 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

## Presidential Stew



## MRS. JANE DIETRICH CROSSES THE DIVIDE

Well Known Mellon Avenue Resident Was in Her Seventy-Ninth Year.

Mrs. Jane McCann Diethrich, a native of Cambria county, and widow of John J. Diethrich, died at 8:30 o'clock Monday morning at her home on Mellon avenue, following an illness of two weeks, in her 79th year. Mrs. Diethrich was born near St. Augustine on May 4, 1849.

Miss McCann and Mr. Diethrich were married on October 5th, 1869, by the late Rev. Father Edward Burns and Mr. Diethrich's death occurred sixteen years ago.

The following children survive: Mary Diethrich, at home; Veronica, wife of H. S. Buck and Bertha, wife of D. A. Buck, this place, and Edward Diethrich of Lionier, Pa. Thirteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren survive, with two brothers, J. and B. J. McCann, both of Pittsburgh.

The funeral services were conducted this Thursday morning at nine o'clock in St. Mary's church, this place. Interment was made in the family plot in St. Benedict's cemetery at Carrolltown.

## RESULTS OF THE PRIMARY SHOWS CLOSE CONTESTS

With only one district missing unofficial returns of Tuesday's primary gives Jay K. Sheesley a lead of 150 votes over his nearest opponent, Geo. T. Robinson, for the Republican nomination for state senator.

With eleven districts missing in the second legislative district, James has 3608 votes, Spencer 3537, Musser 3149, Evans 3019, Baumgardner 2946 with the rest of the field running lower. The winners apparently are James, Spencer and Musser, with Evans still having a chance of nosing out Musser.

## PATROL SYSTEM ADOPTED BY THE PATTON SCOUTS

A system of separate work performed by patrols, was adopted by the Patton Scouts at the regular meeting, Friday. The Scouts officials hope to obtain better and faster work in this system by inciting keen rivalry between the patrols. Each patrol is separate from the other by a system of certain arranged by the scouts. Some very splendid work is assured, but it is to be kept secret until the troop meeting is held once every month.

On Sunday at eight o'clock the scouts hiked to the sand hill to play games. A game was just stated when the heavy downpour of rain prevented them from continuing it.

The Scouts are progressing very rapidly in their work of directing traffic at the school. The boys were sworn into office as police of Patton on Thursday night, by Burgess Thomas McQuillen.

The scout officials are now making plans for the coming camping trip. The Patton Scouts are to camp with the Altoona Scouts. The details of the trip will be published later on in the Courier.

DANCE ON THURSDAY.  
The Patton Pirates Baseball team will hold a round and square dance in the Municipal hall, this place on the evening of Thursday, May 3rd, for the benefit of the team. Henniger's orchestra of this place will furnish the music and the general public is cordially invited to attend. Help the boys by your presence.

## TREE BORDERED HIGHWAY MEMORIAL TO MOTHERS

Shrine of Natural Beauty to Be Started Next Month in Cambria County, State Lending Its Aid to Originators of the Idea

Taken from the Philadelphia Record: HASTINGS, Pa., April 19.—Shrines of all kinds have been built all over the world in testimony of deeds of valor, of exemplary lives, of sacrifice, of exploit, but in Cambria county there has been born a new and beautiful idea, a "Tree Shrine," in memory of mothers.

Already the idea is spreading rapidly through western and central counties of the state, and those who originated it, or who have become interested, look forward hopefully to the time when every highway in the commonwealth will be bordered by trees, which stretching their branches in great natural gothic arches over every thoroughfare, will form a huge vaulted cathedral founded in the memory of motherhood.

The idea originated with the Northern Cambria Kiwanis Club, and already this organization has obtained permission from Secretary of the Highways Stewart to name a part of the state highway in this vicinity as "Mothers' Highway." The roadways to be so designated include the almost circular area lying between Barnesboro, Hastings, St. Boniface, Patton, Carrolltown, St. Benedict and Spangler.

## INTEREST IN TON LITTER PIG BREEDING INCREASING

County Farm Agent H. C. McWilliams announces that interest is growing in the swine breeders of the county in the ton litter work which is being carried on throughout the state. Three breeders in Cambria county recently entered litters of young pigs in an effort to produce a ton of pork within 180 days—the requirements to become a member of the state ton litter club. Those who have entered litters are A. B. Kirsch of Nicktown; A. A. Feighner of East Carroll township; and J. G. Stephens of Ebensburg, R. D.

Mr. McWilliams announces that all farmers who believe they can produce a ton of pork in 180 days are invited to enter the competition. In order to be considered as a bonafide aspirant it is necessary to have the litters marked and entered, which will be taken care of by the county farm bureau agent. Any who desire to try to meet the qualifications should notify Mr. McWilliams it is announced.

## TWO MORE ARE SENTENCED ON LIQUOR LAW CHARGES

The regular weekly session of motion and petition court and the regular monthly session of desertion and non-support court was held at Ebensburg on Monday with all three of the county judges on the bench. The motions and petitions were few and the desertion and non-support list was the lightest it has been for several months.

Joe Michellette of Scalp Level appeared before the court and pleaded guilty to violation of the liquor laws and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$100 and to serve not less than three days nor more than three years in the county jail.

James Roundbush of Puritan pleaded guilty to violating the liquor laws and was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$100 and to serve not less than one day nor more than three years in the county jail.

## POTATO GROWERS TO GATHER AT CONCORD

Prof. Dickey Will Discuss Fertilization in the Growing of Potatoes.

Prof. B. R. Dickey of the Extension department of Penn State College, has been secured to address the Cambria County Potato Growers' Association, at the meeting to be held the afternoon and evening of May 1st in the Concord Grange Hall, between Patton and Carrolltown. Prof. Dickey has made a careful study of the methods employed throughout the state by the potato growers who have been securing high yields. He is also well qualified to judge matters of fertilization in potato growing and a part of the sessions will be given over to the discussion of the kinds and qualities of fertilizers which have been found to bring the best results. Farm Bureau Agent H. C. McWilliams has prepared extensive informative material relative to fertilization to give to the members as a supplement to what may be brought out at the meeting.

The annual election of officers and the selection of an executive committee will take place at the meeting. The members will also discuss seed selection and production, along with methods of fighting potato diseases in the seed field. All farmers, together with all other persons interested in potato production, are invited to attend.

## MRS. MARY GILLEN DIES IN PITTSBURGH

Former Well Known Patton Lady's Body Brought Here for Burial.

Mrs. Mary (Coyle) Gillen, aged about sixty years, and one of the best known residents of Patton, where she had been engaged in the millinery business for years, died of a complication of diseases at seven o'clock Tuesday morning, at her apartment in Pittsburgh, to which place she had gone several months ago, when her health failed.

The remains were brought to Patton by train on Tuesday evening and taken to the home of her sister, Mrs. Myles McNamee, of Pennsylvania avenue, where the funeral services will be held at nine o'clock on Friday morning with a high mass of requiem in St. Mary's Catholic church. Interment will be made in St. Benedict's cemetery at Carrolltown.

## CARE OF THE TEETH IS HEALTH SUBJECT TODAY

"Forty-five million tooth brushes are annually used in the United States. This is a large number, but it is scarcely enough to care for the teeth of one hundred and ten million people. Which is sufficient excuse for a talk on the care of the teeth," said Dr. Theodore B. Appel, secretary of health, this week.

With the plans now being completed for Dental Health Week, the celebration of which will be coincident with the Child Health celebration the first week in May, this subject is particularly timely.

"Fortunately the state wide interest in child welfare will direct the attention of parents to the necessity of proper oral hygiene for the young people. This important prophylactic and preventive measure cannot be over emphasized. The first and second sets of teeth need regular supervision and daily attention. It is much easier for a dentist to fill little holes than big ones, it doesn't take long, it doesn't cost as much and it doesn't hurt as badly. Moreover, to march the children to the dentist's twice a year is to practice real economy, as it insures the efficient functioning of the teeth that otherwise would likely fall down on the job. This is eloquently proved by the fact that seventy per cent of all school children have tooth defects and they are due usually to a faulty diet, on account of home hygiene or the direct neglect of the teeth.

"So much for the children. Now, how about you? Are you, the parent, brushing your teeth three times daily? Are you religiously visiting the dentist twice every year? If, through the disregard of these things, the worst that could happen to you would be false teeth, it would be bad enough so just ask a person who owns a set if you do not believe this. But there is more possible calamity attributable to neglect than that.

"Here are some of the diseases which may be caused by bad teeth: gastric ulcers, kidney infections, rheumatism, neuritis, and heart disease—rather high prices to pay for your criminal indifference to dental attention.

"Therefore, be over solicitous concerning your children's teeth, but in the process, don't forget your own. Make Dental Health Week a family celebration for health and life's sake.

## BAKERTON MAN INJURED.

George Smith, aged 39, of Bakerton sustained a fracture of the pelvis on Wednesday when he was caught under a fall of rock in the Sterling Clay Co. mine. He was removed to the Spangler hospital and is reported as resting fairly well.

## ENGINEERS TO INSPECT FIVE DAMS OF COUNTY

Five dams in Cambria county are scheduled for inspection this year by engineers of the water and power resources board. Several hundred dams are inspected annually by the engineers who make inspections to prevent disasters.

The dams in Cambria county, their locations and owners, are: South Fork Water Co., Sandy Run No. 1; over Sandy Run in Adams township; Colver Water Co., Vetera dam over Vetera branch of Blacklick creek in Cambria township; Cresson Ice Co., over Clearfield creek in Allegheny township; Charles M. Schwab, over Loretto branch of Chest Creek in Allegheny township; and the Northern Cambria Water Co., over Schirf's run in Barr township.

## THREE INMATES OF COUNTY HOME DEAD

Former Residents of Johnstown Drink Poison Liquor, and Die in Agony.

Three male inmates of the Cambria County Home died in violent convulsions on Thursday last following the drinking of some poisonous concoction believed to have contained alcohol as a basis, thought to have been brought to the home by one of the victims. The dead:

John Szeman, aged 63, who has relatives in Cambria City, Johnstown, and was admitted to the institution on April 25th, last.

John Butrick, aged 42, unmarried, whose residence is not definitely known although he is believed to be from Johnstown.

John Condir, aged 35, an Austrian, formerly of Johnstown, who was admitted March 25th, last, a veteran of the Austrian army in the World war and who carried a bullet wound in his jaw sustained in the war.

Butrick was the first to die. About 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon he was seen by some of the inmates staggering out of the cobbler's shop to a bench outdoors. He reached the bench and died in the throes of convulsions. His death occurred about 2:10 o'clock.

While several of the inmates were attempting to care for Butrick, Szeman was seen to reel from the barn near the cobbler shop, and by this time, John A. Mackaye, an official at the county home, had been called and he immediately attended to Szeman. This victim, however, died ten minutes after Butrick.

At about the same time, Condir, the third victim, was discovered in a fit of vomiting and was removed to the institution, where he was immediately given attention, and an attempt was made to remove all the poison from his body. The aid given Condir was partially successful as he lived until 1:12 o'clock Friday morning.

Just before he died Szeman told Mr. Mackaye that the liquor which he and the others had drunk was hidden under some straw in the barn. He was not able to state where he had procured it, but it is believed that Szeman was the one who had either brought the liquor to the county home or had himself made it. Szeman was the barber at the home and a week previous was found near the barn violently ill. The illness passed off in a short time and no importance was attached to it. It is believed now, however, that he had then drank some of the concoction that Thursday caused his demise.

About a pint of whiskey was found by Mr. Mackaye in the place indicated by Szeman. It was entirely black and somewhat resembled blackberry wine but not having the red color of wine when exposed to the light. It is not similar to any of the various brands of moonshine whiskey and its contents will not be known until it is chemically analyzed. The pint of liquor was discovered in a quart bottle.

## DOROTHY JANE CORNELIUS MAKES HIT AT SPANGLER H. S.

Pupils of the Spangler High School staged a varied entertainment program at the School Auditorium last Friday evening on which occasion little Dorothy Jane Cornelius daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Cornelius, of Palmer Avenue, did some very skillful toe dancing. Beautifully attired in a rainbow ballet costume her appearance and dancing captivated the audience spontaneously. A number of other dances produced by Spangler talent under the direction of Miss Mary M. Simpson local dancing instructor added much to the enjoyment of the program.

Other features on the program were a saxophone quartet coached by Wm. D. Simpson, vocal solos, readings, and a miniature circus by Spangler High School adding much to the merriment of the evening. The principal feature of the program was an orchestra concert by the combined school orchestras of Bakerton, Emehigh, and Spangler numbering thirty-four players. These orchestras are under the direction of the Simonsons' Studios and played this concert under the baton of their director Wm. D. Simpson.

Patton and the surrounding towns were well represented in the audience that filled the auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kelly visited friends in Altoona on Friday night.

## LOCAL AND STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

Condensed Items Gathered from Various Sources for the Busy Reader.

Henry H. Giffen, aged 45 years, an employee of the Pennsylvania Railroad, died on Sunday evening at his home in South Fork.

Irene Davis, aged 14 years, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Davis of Lilly, died on Friday night after a short illness. She is survived by her parents and a number of brothers and sisters.

Edward Miller, aged 46, of Sinking Valley, Blair county, was perhaps fatally injured when his barn was blown to the ground in the high winds of last Thursday. The victim was in the barn at the time.

Mrs. T. L. Gibson, of Baltimore, wife of a former county superintendent of schools of Cambria county, died at that city on Friday last.

A small frame building situated along the improved highway between Lilly and Cresson was destroyed by fire last Friday. The origin of the blaze is unknown. A family by the name of Krise occupied the dwelling and they lost practically all of their household goods.

David Heuffal, state game protector of Punxsutawney needs the protection, and not the game, according to his story. Heuffal said he caught a trout eight inches long in his lap while he was stooping to let his line run out in a pool below a riffle. The fish in its effort to make the riffle broke water and leaped into Heuffal's lap.

Walter Isenberg, aged 33 years of Ebensburg, a lineman for the Penn Central Light and Power Company, narrowly escaped death on Tuesday of last week when he came in contact with a high tension wire while working on a pole near Coupon. He was burned about the head and left leg. He was rendered unconscious and his body was lowered from the pole by fellow workmen. Mr. Isenberg was saved from falling by his safety belt and was buckled about him. He was removed to the Altoona hospital and is improving.

Governor John S. Fisher the past week or so has been on his annual inspection tour of state institutions. Two bond issues totalling \$42,800 were approved this week by Secretary James F. Woodward. Jackson township, this county, will float a \$25,000 bond issue for the funding of previous indebtedness, and a \$17,800 issue was approved for West Township in Huntingdon county, for road purposes.

A summer session of St. Francis' College Extension will be conducted at Mt. Aloysius Academy, Cresson, from Monday, July 2, to Monday, August 6th. Houtzelle and its summer session will count towards the A. B. degree, and also towards standard permanent certificates.

Dr. Samuel Black McCormick, 69, Chancellor Emeritus of the University of Pittsburgh, died at his home in this city on Wednesday of last week. He was a victim of pneumonia. The funeral was held on Saturday.

The Rev. Theodore Turchenko, a Ukrainian Orthodox priest, of Bakerton, was placed under cash bond recently when he was arraigned before Justice of the Peace Dominick Gelotte in Nanty-Glo on a charge of assault and battery. The charge brought against the priest was by Mietro Matish, who is said to be one of the leading members of the Nanty-Glo Ukrainian congregation. According to reports the minister was asking the members to sign petitions to the bishop for his appointment as pastor of the Nanty-Glo church and Matish refused to sign the petition and it is alleged that the priest struck him and knocked him down the church steps.

George Ahles, aged 72, employed at St. Joseph's orphanage in Ebensburg, died at the orphanage on Thursday last. He was unmarried. Mass service was held on Saturday morning at Holy Name Church in Ebensburg and the remains were interred in St. Benedict's cemetery at Carrolltown.

Funeral services for John T. Klingensmith, aged 79, retired station master of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who died on Friday afternoon last at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. E. Roberts in Revloc, were conducted at 3 o'clock in the First Presbyterian church at Latrobe.

John Lonzecker, aged 38, single, of Nanty-Glo, an employee of the Springfield Coal Company, was removed to the Memorial hospital at Johnstown on Saturday for treatment for an infection of the left foot, which developed following an injury suffered by the patient in a mine accident on April 3rd. Lonzecker's condition is pronounced fairly good.

Miss Evelyn Mitchell of Johnstown and John W. Fisher of Dale were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon by Justice of the Peace Young in Ebensburg.

Cambria county was the scene of two fair sized conflagrations last week, near Loretto and Cresson, at the former place about 70 acres of track and brush lands being swept by flames that consumed a barn and stock. The one at Cresson destroyed about 20 acres.

Charles Stuller of St. Benedict pleaded guilty to desertion and assault and battery and was remanded to jail for further investigation.

Whose paper do you read?