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# Patton Courier



## LOCAL AND STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

### Condensed Items Gathered from Various Sources for the Busy Reader.

The corporation bureau has granted a charter to the Johnstown Finance Co. of Johnstown. The company has a capital stock of \$10,000 and is formed to buy and sell mortgages and judgments relating to real and personal property. W. H. Burd of Johnstown, is the treasurer. Other incorporators are C. F. Parrish of Cresson and S. G. Snare of Johnstown.

The sum of \$1,400 toward the purchase of a training aeroplane was pledged recently at the meeting of the Johnstown Aero club in the American Legion home. A campaign to raise the balance of the \$2,000 required for the purchase of the plane will be staged soon. Capt. J. J. Kephart, formerly an instructor in the R. A. F. and who will serve as pilot and instructor for the club, was the speaker at the meeting about 30 members attended.

Alex Brown of Pittsburgh and Joseph Losko of Ebensburg, Thursday filed a suit against Frank M. Fleischer, Pittsburgh, asking \$50,000 damages each as the result of an automobile accident at Munday's Corner, on the William Penn highway, last Jan. 3. Fleischer was driving a car in which the plaintiffs were riding, it was said, when it struck another automobile. Losko claimed to have received hurts which totally disabled him and Brown said his head was cut and bruised, effecting his hearing and sight.

Judge John W. McCann, of the Cambria County Court, gave the address recently at the annual commencement of the Altoona Hospital, 11 nurses winning diplomas. The graduates are: Regina A. White, Bertha Lucas, Catharine Lantz, Edna H. Sickles, Edna M. Nikol, Edna M. Johnston, Helen V. Moore, Agnes Curry, Jeanette M. Dwyer, Margaret E. Adler and Helen G. Wood, all of Altoona.

Clearfield was chosen the 1929 convention site for the Allegheny synod of the United Lutheran church at the closing session of the 38th annual conference recently in the Johnham Lutheran church, of which the Rev. E. Roy Hauser is pastor, will be host to the convention. Officers of the Synod were re-elected for another year.

Charles M. Schwab, head of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, does not know how much money he has. Speaking to Alumni of St. Francis College, of Loretto, Pa., at a meeting in Philadelphia, Schwab said: "I don't know how much money I have, nor does it interest me. I haven't the time to find out for myself. I am on the go about 18 or 20 hours a day and that doesn't give me time to think of wealth."

The planting of the first 400 trees along the Mother Highway has been completed. The trees are planted in the Carrolltown Fair Grounds to No. 9 mine.

Prisoners at the Snyder county jail will earn their board and clothes in the future. The County Commissioners have decided to hire out the men as common laborers, and any funds received from their services, beyond their keep at the jail will be applied to the maintenance of the prisoners' dependents.

Trouth fishing continues good in the streams in the Centre-Clearfield region. Even the most skeptical of the sportsmen are ready to concede the fishing commission had some ground for its claim that there would be an improvement in fishing in the state this year.

Fewer farmers went down in bankruptcy in 1927 than for a long time previously. Slowly the wreckage of the war is being cleared away.

A shortage of horses is here and prices are advancing. In the United States at the present time there are about 20 million, including mules.

Funeral traveling for a mile or more along State highway in Columbia county are escorted by details of the State highway patrol to prevent motorists from cutting into the procession or passing it. This practice was recently put into effect after several processions had been nearly disrupted by other cars cutting into the line.

C. A. Grief has been appointed acting Postmaster at Carrolltown. He succeeds his brother Lawrence A. Grief. He received his commission on May 26th and took charge of the office on May 16th.

Former Sheriff W. E. Muhlollen, acting for County Controller Henry L. Cannon, is auditing the accounts of all Aldermen in the City of Johnstown and Justices of the Peace in the boroughs and townships adjoining. The work starting several days ago. City Controller William H. Dawson will take part in the audit of several of the Aldermanic dockets, along with Mr. Muhlollen. It is stated. The work of auditing the accounts of the various magistrates will take considerable time. Some of them have their books in poor shape and the work of auditing is necessarily a slow process, it is stated.

Seventeen new patients were admitted recently to the State Sanatorium at the Summit, for tuberculosis treatment. There are now 723 patients at the institution.

## ST. FRANCIS FUND CAMPAIGN OPENS

### Charles M. Schwab Host to Many Visitors at the Ebensburg Fair Grounds.

Charles M. Schwab was host at Ebensburg on Monday evening at a banquet—the first of a series to be held throughout southern and western Pennsylvania in the next few days—attended by more than 250 members of the Alumni Association of St. Francis College, in their effort of raising a fund of \$200,000 to pay off existing debts and create an endowment fund for the college.

The gathering, a cross section of the business and professional life of Cambria and Blair counties, was held in the dance pavilion at the fair grounds at Ebensburg, with Judge John H. McCann as toastmaster.

McLean Work, of Pittsburgh, one of the directors of the campaign to raise the funds, explained the plan whereby it is hoped to secure the required amount. To be devoted to clearing up the present indebtedness against the college, to create a building fund and to provide the nucleus of an endowment fund, the money is to be raised by subscription from graduates and the friends of the college and is to come to the college in the form of insurance.

Minimum subscriptions of \$100 will be accepted, payable either in cash or on the installment plan. Chairman for the several communities where the drive will be conducted have been selected. Mr. Work said, and will start the drive within a few days.

Justice John W. Kephart of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, who was instrumental in securing for the college its charter, spoke on the place of the small college in the American educational field, while the Rev. Father Raphael Breheny, president of St. Francis College, conveyed greetings from the faculty and students to the graduates of the school.

Mr. Schwab spoke interestingly on "St. Francis As I See It," while other talks were made by Daniel J. Rafferty of Philadelphia, chairman of the Philadelphia chapter of the St. Francis Alumni Association; the Rev. John R. Thomas, pastor of the Ebensburg Presbyterian church; Rembrandt Peale of New York City, and Attorney D. Lloyd Claycomb of Altoona.

Thursday night, May 31, a similar banquet will be held at the Fort Stanton hotel in Johnstown, at which David Barry, president of the First National Bank of Johnstown, will be the toastmaster. Addresses will be made by Judge McCann, Father Breheny and Mr. Schwab, and Saturday night the campaigners will invade Pittsburgh, where a banquet will be held.

Music at Monday's banquet was furnished by the Glee Club of St. Francis College, and Harve Tibbott of Ebensburg.

ST. MARY'S I. C. E. U., No. 715. Whereas, It has pleased God in His infinite goodness and mercy to remove from us by death, our sister member, Mrs. Mary M. Buck.

Whereas, The highest tribute we can pay her is to say she led a pure, Christian life, and departed from this world like a Child of God, Whom she so faithfully served.

Resolved, That by her death the Society has lost a good member; her family a kind and loving wife and daughter.

Resolved, That in respect to her memory our charter be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days. These resolutions entered on the minutes of the Society and published in the local paper, and a copy furnished to the family of our deceased sister, Mrs. Mary M. Buck.

CATHERINE MAURER,  
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Gen. W. W. Atterburg, President of the Pennsylvania Railroad, in a statement in Philadelphia recently said his company had become part owner in the Trans-Continental Air Transport Inc.

## Patton Lad Called to Great Beyond

### Twelve Year Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastiano Panebianco Had Been Ill Only A Short Time.

Dominic Panebianco, aged 12 years, son of Sebastiano and Raffaella Panebianco of Patton, died at seven o'clock Friday morning at the parental home. His death came as a distinct shock to his relatives as to all those who knew him.

His sufferings were of short duration and in twenty-four hours he passed away calmly and unexpectedly. Besides his parents he is survived by one brother and three sisters, all at home, namely, Rosario, Milina, Angelina and Rosina.

The funeral services were conducted at nine o'clock on Monday morning in St. Mary's Catholic Church, following which interment was made in the church cemetery.

The funeral was an unusually large one, and a great many automobiles as well as a generous amount of flowers accompanied the body to its last resting place. Many relatives and friends from Pittsburgh, Cresson, Clearfield, Irwona, etc., attended the funeral. The grief stricken family is extended the sympathy of the community.

Mr. Angelo Cammarata of this place was the speaker at the cemetery.

## JOHN ABEL, AGED 73, OF HASTINGS, FOUND DEAD

Apparently dead for more than 12 hours the body of John Abel, 73, for many years a well known and prominent farmer residing near Hastings, was found in his home at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening.

An investigation failed to disclose any evidence of foul play and authorities expressed the belief that the aged man died of apoplexy. He had resided alone since his wife's death 27 years ago, and had been dead since Tuesday night, the authorities believe.

He is survived by the following children: Frank and George of Altoona; Michael, Henry, Lizzie, Augustus and Benjamin of Eider Township, and John, Charles and Albert of Hastings. He is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Mary Warner of St. Lawrence; Mrs. Teresa Kiegan of Detroit, Mich.; Brother Eliezer, a Franciscan monk of San Francisco, California; Edward of Washington, Pa.; Mrs. George Gearhart of Thomas Mills, Va.; and Frank of Hastings; Mrs. C. X. Miller of Eider township and Mrs. Abel and Mrs. Edward Waltz of Norristown, together with 34 grandchildren.

Funeral services will likely be held on Saturday morning in St. Bernard's Catholic church at Hastings, with interment in the church cemetery.

## SPANGLER NURSES TO GET DIPLOMAS THIS EVENING

The sixteenth annual commencement exercises of the Nurses Training School of the Miners' hospital at Spangler, will be held at 8 o'clock this evening, Thursday, in the Spangler High School Auditorium. A class of seven young women will be graduated in the 1928 class.

The principal address will be made by Attorney Alvin Sherbine, of Johnstown. Presentation of diplomas will be made by Dr. T. O. Heltrick, of Spangler, President of the Board of Directors of the Miners' hospital.

A special musical program has been arranged for the graduation exercises. Music will be furnished by Luther's orchestra, of Carrolltown. Vocal solos will be rendered by Miss Eva Lowmaster, of Barnesboro; William Deninger of Patton, and Mrs. D. R. Lyon of Hellwood.

Following the commencement program at the school house a reception will be held for the nurses at the Nurses' Home.

## MR. GORDON BLAIR GIVES FINE TALK TO THE SCOUTS

Mr. Gordon Blair, the Scout executive of the Altoona troop, gave a very fitting talk to the parents of the local Scouts, and the Scouts themselves, Friday.

Mr. Blair gave a very clear description of the camp which the Patton boys intend to visit. The site of the camp is at Huntjagdon.

The Scouts also held Parents' Night on Friday. Also mothers and fathers of the Scouts could fully understand the features of the camping trip and just where their sons are going.

Following Mr. Blair's talk, the Scouts asked Mr. Blair certain questions concerning the fishing, swimming and boating at the camp. Mr. Blair answered these questions very intelligently and to the great satisfaction of the boys.

Mr. Brown and Mr. Somerville, the Scoutmaster and chairman of the council, also gave very good speeches. Mr. Fleming, our assistant scoutmaster is to leave the Scouts for the summer. The boys will surely miss Mr. Fleming, but they will earnestly look forward to his arrival in the fall.

## TWO MORE TOWNS MAKE THE GRADE

### But Patton Has Not Yet Been Reported "Over the Top" in Tiny Tim Drive.

Bakerton, Cherry Tree, Moss Creek and St. Benedict, have met their quota in the Tiny Tim Drive now on, leaving Barnesboro, Carrolltown and Patton, as well as Spangler, behind, but the men in charge in these last mentioned towns are working hard and feel confident that they will reach the goal in the near future.

At the Kiwanis meeting, Monday evening, May 28th, \$2200.00 was reported received. The drive will continue for two more weeks to enable the towns to support this noble work and to secure sufficient funds to hospitalize the crippled children we have as yet in our community.

Miss Nell Murphy, Pennsylvania State Nurse, of Carrolltown, who has wonderfully assisted in this work, has found it necessary to hospitalize as eligible for admittance to the hospital, and this number will be taken care of as soon as the drive is completed and any one knowing of crippled or deformed children residing in the district, should notify the Pennsylvania State Nurse, Miss Nell Murphy, of Carrolltown, together with 34 grandchildren.

Challenge is made to you who are strong in body to support this work and give, that others may have the same opportunities that you now enjoy. In addition this is an opportunity to some to take out insurance against the future for their loved ones who might become cripples at a time when they are without funds to give them proper treatment.

## ALTOONA BROADCASTING STATION LOSES LICENSE

The Federal Radio Commission acted drastically on Monday to clear the ether of interference by notifying 162 Broadcasting Stations that their licenses will not be renewed.

WEBC, the Altoona Broadcasting station, will come under the stations to lose their licenses.

## Watch the Water You Drink Well

### Dr. Theodore B. Appel, of the State Health Department Has Some Timely Advice to Offer.

"A large limousine recently drove up to a roadside water pump which carried the sign, 'Dangerous. Do not drink this water.' The sign was noticed, read, laughingly remarked upon and disregarded," said Dr. T. B. Appel, secretary of health, this week.

"It is indeed difficult to believe such a story, but it is true. Whatever were the motives back of such an attitude the fact remains that foolhardiness and foolishness were thus deplorably displayed. While such a case is most unusual it nevertheless emphasizes the duty of every traveling motorist to himself to protect his health.

"It is of little avail to an individual that city health departments purify their water and otherwise safeguard health, if while traveling he becomes entirely careless of the kind of water he drinks, contracts typhoid fever in consequence, becomes seriously sick and dies.

"In Pennsylvania every effort has been taken to safeguard the automobile tourist both in camps and on the road. All private water supplies on the main highways and many of the secondary ones have been examined and placarded either as safe or dangerous.

"It will pay absolutely to believe in these signs, even if all the others on the highway are discounted; they tell a story of scientific investigation and every particular may be relied upon.

"It will perhaps demand some will power to drive by an unmarked supply on a side road if one is thirsty. But it is a safe thing to do. The exercise of self-restraint is better than weeks in bed with an illness.

"Some jurisdictions do not examine private water supplies. And in this situation the only safe thing is to carry along water the purity of which has been established, boil the water if obtained locally, or place a drop of tincture of iodine in every pint of the supply used. Vacation typhoid, now in season, will be considerably reduced if these suggestions are seriously considered.

"To tourists who are planning extensive trips out of the country, anti-typhoid immunization is strongly advised. Unpasteurized milk and water in other lands and localities are rendered safe by this simple, scientific, preventive procedure. So why take chances? Life being sweet, don't impair or lose it, by acquiring vacation typhoid, whether at home or abroad."

## DR. EMLYN JONES HEADS WELFARE BOND ISSUE IN CAMBRIA

Dr. Emlyn Jones of Johnstown has accepted an appointment as Cambria County Member of the Citizens' Committee for the Welfare Bond Issue.

Owen J. Roberts, noted Philadelphia attorney who was government counsel in the Teapot Dome cases, is chairman of the committee which has been formed to aid in bringing about the endorsement of the \$50,000,000 Welfare Bond Issue which will be voted upon next November at the polls as Amendment No. 10.

The bond issue is for capital development of state owned institutions for the unfortunate. The committee is placing before the voters of Pennsylvania facts about conditions and needs of state institutions caring for the mentally ill, feeble minded, epileptics and delinquents.

Figures gathered by the committee show that virtually all the eighteen state owned institutions are dangerous to the community. The State School, which is one of the state institutions serving Cambria County, has a capacity of 1153 patients and has a population of 2298.

## MILTON SILLS IN A FINE ATTRACTION

### Lauds He-Man Drama and Declares Film Patrons Favor The Same.

"He-Man," or elemental drama, is what screen fans most favor, declares Milton Silles, who has become one of the screen's foremost stars within the past two years because he has devoted himself exclusively to this type of motion picture.

Appearing in virile characterizations with out-of-door backgrounds, Silles has developed a tremendous following. An Silles modestly disclaims credit for this, declaring the type of picture in which he has been starred is largely responsible.

His role in "Burning Daylight," the First National picture to be at the Grand Theatre, Patton, next Tuesday and Wednesday, is an excellent example of the sort of story Silles believes the most adaptable to pictures.

With its locale in Alaska during the hectic days of the gold rush, the action of the picture is essentially pictorial, and the camera has caught many scenes of the frozen plains and the struggle of humans with the primitive elements more innately dramatic than any class of picture ever shown.

Inasmuch as the screen at its best is pure action and pantomime, Silles believes more pictures of this type should be made.

"Burning Daylight," is a picturization of Jack London's thrilling novel of the same name.

## TEACHERS MUST HAVE HIGHER RATING FOR NEXT YEAR

The school year now approaching its close will mark a significant period in the history of education in Pennsylvania, Dr. John A. H. Keith, superintendent of public instruction, said this week. It registers the time, he said, when all new teachers entering service in the public schools of the Commonwealth, must hold a standard certificate.

The advance Pennsylvania has made toward higher teacher qualification is best understood when compared with the year 1920, Dr. Keith asserted. At that time more than 45 per cent of the teachers were without standard certification. Today ninety per cent of the teachers possess standard licenses and 85 per cent are rapidly acquiring the necessary credits for the standard certificates.

To date 26,000 teachers' licenses have been issued by the Department of Public Instruction—4000 of which were issued to college graduates, 7500 to Normal graduates and the remainder to teachers with miscellaneous preparation.

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## PATIENTS IN STATE ARE OVERCROWDED

### But You Can Remedy the Situation By Voting Favorably in the Fall.

Patients in state owned institutions of Pennsylvania, many of them institutions which under the law serve Cambria county, are sleeping in attics, hallways and basements or on mattresses on floors and children are doubling in single beds. In some cases tubercular patients are kept with non-tubercular, and in one hospital, where overcrowding necessitates violent patients rooming together, they must be matched according to strength so that they will not injure one another.

These and other startling conditions are revealed in a "Handbook of Facts" issued this week by the Citizens' Committee for the Welfare Bond Issue. This Committee, in which Owen J. Roberts is chairman, is placing before the voters of Pennsylvania the needs of state institutions to show why the \$50,000,000 Welfare Bond Issue should be approved next November at the polls.

The law directs that feeble minded patients from this county shall be cared for at the Polk State School, which will be benefited by the bond issue. The handbook shows that institution is dangerously overcrowded. The Polk School has a capacity of 1152 patients and a population of 2298. Polk also has a waiting list of 751 patients. If the bond issue is authorized, the Handbook points out, new construction will relieve the overcrowding and provide for the other pressing needs of this and other state institutions.

Patients in eight mental hospitals of the state are said to be the worst sufferers from overcrowding, though in one institution for the feeble minded beds are so close together that patients must climb over one "bed" to get to their own. In many instances dining rooms are so crowded that patients sit elbow to elbow with chairbacks touching. Depressed, restless, "excited inmates are herded together in narrow corridors, wide enough for only two rows of chairs, used because overcrowding and living rooms are filled with beds.

"The better the facilities for care and treatment," says the handbook, "the more quickly patients are cured or sufficiently improved to return to the community—the sooner the state is relieved of the cost of maintenance. Apart from all considerations of humanity, sympathy, pity, or even justice, it pays the state in dollars and cents to provide adequate facilities for the insane."

"Mental disease without skillful treatment may become chronic and render the patient dependent for the rest of his life, which often means not only the life long care of the patient by the state, but also public support of the dependent family."

In the eight hospitals there are now 23,594 insane patients, while the capacity of these institutions is only 20,744. Authorities of national prominence have termed this Commonwealth's failure to develop properly these institutions a reproach to a state possessing the material resources that Pennsylvania enjoys.

In the Fairview State Hospital for the criminal insane, which receives patients from this county by court commitment, the capacity is 391, but 615 men are crowded in. Another 615 patients committed to this hospital have to be kept indefinitely at penitentiaries and jails before room can be found for them at Fairview.

In addition to vividly portraying the conditions as they now exist in the institutions of Pennsylvania, the handbook issued by the committee points out how the needs will be met through the Welfare Bond Issue. Out of the total authorization of \$50,000,000, bonds will be issued in installments over a period of perhaps ten years, or over a shorter period if the work of construction is planned and executed without delay. By this means, it is asserted, a continuous policy can be assured, the waste incidental to piecemeal methods of construction can be eliminated and the building program carried out in a business like, systematic way.

The Welfare Bond Issue, it is shown can be carried from present revenue sources without additional taxation. The Bond Issue will be listed as Amendment No. 10 on the November ballot.

Pennsylvania has eighteen state owned institutions for the unfortunate. In this group are eight mental hospitals, three institutions for the feeble minded, one colony for epileptics, three industrial reform schools, two penitentiaries, and one farm prison, with a second at Graterford, under development. In addition to these state owned institutions, the private mental hospital at Dixmont functions practically as a state institution.

The handbook contains information of vital interest to the people of this county. Readers of this newspaper may secure copies of the Handbook free by writing to the Citizens' Committee for the Welfare Bond Issue, 311 South Juniper St., Philadelphia, Pa.

## CHURCH LEAGUE.

Games in the church league during the week resulted as follows: Presbyterians 12, Grecks 5, Brochian and Withrow; Timck and Falatic; Russians 3, St. Mary's 1; Lamont and Mangold; C. Baranick and M. Kapko. St. George 7; Grecks 5; Bradowsky and Stasko; Falatic and Skordinsky.

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