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LOCAL AND STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

Condensed Items Gathered from Various Sources for the Busy Reader.

—George Holmes, 39, and married, of Beavertown, was severely injured Monday, at a mining operation there, when he fell in the path of a mine car. He is a patient at a Johnstown hospital.

—Miss Margaret A. Kinney, aged 24, died on Monday evening at the Magee hospital in Pittsburgh, where she was employed as a graduate nurse. She is a native of Exeter.

—Mrs. Margaret Johns, aged eighty-four years, died at Ebensburg on Monday morning. The deceased formerly lived in Johnstown.

—Melvin Cornelius, aged 22, is in the Blair county jail, charged with arson, for having set fire to his father's barn near Roaring Springs the other day. It is said he sought to avenge alleged ill treatment given him by his father.

—Robert Meyers, nine months' old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Meyers, of Westover, died of pneumonia at the parental home on Friday last.

—Arthur Kent, aged 69 years, for many years a resident of Tunnelhill, died of apoplexy last Thursday at the Blair county hospital. He suffered a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday of last week. Mr. Kent's wife preceded him to the grave. Funeral was held at Tunnelhill and interment was in the Union cemetery.

—Cases against William and Louis Brice, of Gallitzin, charged with violation of the liquor laws, were dismissed at a hearing last week before the U. S. Commissioner in Pittsburgh.

—William, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William Czekalla, of Revloc, died of pneumonia at the parental home on Friday afternoon.

—Nicholas Weaver of Cresson fractured his right shoulder Thursday evening when he fell on an icy pavement. He was removed to the Altoona hospital.

—Rembrandt Peale Jr., and Charles Conrad, of St. Benedict, will sail this Friday from New York City for Europe. They will remain for several months and France will be the chief country visited.

—John Demchak, of Vintondale, aged 41, is a patient at the Memorial hospital, Johnstown, suffering from two stab wounds in the back. His condition is not regarded as serious. The man states he was attacked by an unknown assailant on Saturday night.

—Edgar McCloskey, aged nineteen years, is a patient at the Altoona hospital as the result of injuries sustained last Friday when caught beneath a fall of rock while at work in a mine.

—Ruth Marie Keefe, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Keefe, residing near Hastings, died of pneumonia at the parental home on Friday night. She is survived by her parents and two brothers. The funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon with burial in St. Bernard's cemetery.

—Mrs. Maude Khan, 40, was almost instantly killed and three others injured late Saturday night when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a stalled machine on the William Penn Highway near Duncansville.

—Charged with shooting his wife, Olive, with a shot gun, during a fit of jealousy, John Dehl, a miner, of Rossiter, is lodged in the county jail at Indiana.

—Mrs. Caroline Walton, aged seventy-six years, of Stroudsburg, died at the residence of D. and Mrs. J. F. Buzzard, in Portage, where she had been a guest.

SPANGLER HOSPITAL NOTES.

James Donahue is being treated at the Spangler hospital for an infected leg. He is getting along fairly well.

Aldo Innocenti, of Greenwich is a patient at the hospital suffering from an injured eye. He is improving.

John Fink, of Binghamton, N. Y., underwent an appendicitis operation at the hospital and is reported getting along nicely.

Earl Burley of Cresson is a medical patient at the hospital.

John Rice, of St. Benedict, is getting along very nicely at the hospital where he is receiving treatment for an injured knee.

William Davidson, of Spangler is a patient at the hospital, for medical treatment.

Mrs. Mary Shackle is a medical patient at the hospital.

Dolores Rodgers and Mary Kamis, of Patton, are medical patients at the hospital.

Henry Spotts, of Watkins, is getting along very nicely at the hospital, being treated for an injured knee, the result of an accident in Barz No. 14 mine.

PATENTS RUBBER CLEANER.

Duke J. Rosenstiel, Ebensburg undertaker, has received notice from the patent office in Washington that his application for a patent on a tube-cleaning device has been favorably acted upon, and a patent will be issued to him shortly.

The device is intended for use by physicians, undertakers and other persons who use tubes in their business.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Sunday, February 3. Holy Communion at 8 A. M. Evening prayer and sermon at 4 P. M. Services every Sunday at 4 P. M. Rev. H. A. Post, rector.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Grant and daughter, Ruth, attended the funeral of Mrs. Grant's sister in Reading recently.

CZAR PAUL WAS MODEST TYRANT

Historical Fact That He Was A Tyrant Shown in Film at Grand Next Week.

Czar Paul I. of Russia—the world's most modest man!

Judged by his orders when he appeared in the public streets, Paul might deserve this title, for every man, woman and child was driven from his home by armed soldiers before the carriage or sleigh of the monarch made its appearance.

Death was the penalty to those who dared even to peep from the windows when the Little Father went by. Many an innocent baby straying beyond its mother's call, was shot or speared by the savage Cossack bodyguards of the Czar.

The dreadful brutality of life under this tyrant is shown with dramatic realism in Ernst Jannings' latest starring picture, "The Patriot," which was directed by Ernest Lubitsch, and comes to the Grand theatre on Monday and Tuesday evenings of next week.

With Jannings himself playing the role of the Czar, supported by such players as Florence Vidor, Louis Stone, Tullio Carminati, Vera Voranina and many others, "The Patriot" brings to the screen a story of such power and dramatic sweep that critics have hailed it as an historic cameo of more than ordinary significance. In fidelity to detail, accuracy and characterization, it might well be preserved for future generations to study as a means for arriving at a thorough understanding of an interesting period in Russian History.

"The Patriot" was adapted to the screen by Hans Kraly from the play by Alfred Neuman which recently proved a sensation in European theatres and in New York.

Remember this show is at the Grand on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

"LENA RIVERS" ON THE STAGE AT THE GRAND ON FRIDAY

Coming to the Grand Theatre, Patton, Pa., Friday, February 1, is Barney Russell Players, a stock company of unusual excellence, presenting that well known play known to all, "Lena Rivers". This play is very interesting from start to finish with a beautiful love theme all the way through and plenty of comedy, intermingled with plenty of vaudeville specialties. This company comes highly recommended by press and public wherever they have played and the management of the Grand theatre is to be highly commended for bringing this company here for one night only. The players are all men and women with reputations in the stock company field. Mr. Broadway, who has had a very interesting three years' experience with the Myrtle-Harder Company, Beverly Sotheland, who was many years with the original "Cat and Canary" Company; George Bradley, who was quite a favorite with the Chicago Stock Company, playing in Altoona at the Myrtle-Harder Company; Beverly Sotheland, a character woman, that has no equal in her line and has been with some of the best dramatic and musical companies throughout the land; Hazel Mae Young, who just finished a one year tour in Philadelphia, also James Russell, Ben Matthews, and others, including ten people and their own musical director. To miss this company on Friday night would be really missing a treat.

CAMBRIA EXHIBITORS WIN 19 AWARDS AT SHOW

The complete list of Cambria County exhibitors who won awards at the state farm products show in Harrisburg last week was given out the other day by H. C. McWilliams, Cambria County Farm Bureau Agent.

In the small grain class G. H. Dumm of Ebensburg, R. D., won first, second and third respectively in the wheat competition; Ralph Strittmatter was the winner of first place in the Victory type oats classification and Simon Niebauer, of Flinton, R. D., was awarded first place in the corn competition in District No. 4.

G. H. Dumm won first place in District No. 3, and in the state wide class in the white rural potato division and Clarence Griffith, of Ebensburg, R. D., finished second in district No. 3 and third in the state wide class in the same group. Mrs. C. M. Schwab of Loreto was third in district No. 3 and V. A. Holtz of Hastings R. D., was 6th in District No. 3, in the same division.

An exhibit of Russet Rural Potatoes entered by G. H. Dumm won first place in District No. 3 and placed 2nd in the state wide class, and W. D. Wetzel, of Carrolltown; Paul Strittmatter, of Patton, R. D., and P. C. Strittmatter, of Patton, won second, third and fourth places in District No. 3.

Clarence Griffith, of Ebensburg, R. D. won first premium in the White Russet Certified seed potato class; W. D. Wetzel won first premium and the sweepstakes award in the Russet Rural certified seed potato class, and P. C. Strittmatter and Harry Strittmatter won second and third premiums in the same class.

Altogether Cambria county entrants won eight firsts, five seconds, four thirds, one fourth and one sixth, or a total of 19 ribbons.

Farmers obtained 11,134 free special deer licenses during the season, final reports to the state game commission show.

Surprise Party at the Fox Home

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fox of near town on Sunday evening last, in honor of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Fox.

The evening was spent in card playing and the prizes were awarded as follows: Genie's first prize, Mr. Edward Dietrick; Ladies' first prize, Mrs. Frank Callahan; and the consolation awards were given to Mr. Edward Kuhnley and Mrs. Alex Fox. Following cards an elegant lunch was served.

The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Lougand, and daughter, Helen, of Cresson; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kuhnley and children, Camilla and Ralph; Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Long; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Callahan; Mr. and Mrs. Alex Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dietrick, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Short, Messrs. Martin Good, Peter Short, John Kuhnley and Mr. Woodland, and the Misses Eva Long and Betty Hornauer.

WILL CHECK CARS WITH OHIO LICENSE

A concerted effort will be made to check Pennsylvania residents operating cars with Ohio licenses in Pennsylvania, Benjamin G. Eynon, registrar of motor vehicles, Pennsylvania department of highways, announced this week. The Pittsburgh bureau of police has assured the department of its co-operation and instructions will be issued to Pittsburgh patrolmen to check and report Ohio cars observed daily on their beats.

Investigations in the past year have demonstrated that a large number of Pennsylvania residents have secured automobile registration plates in Ohio and are operating their cars in Pennsylvania throughout the year, taking advantage of the reciprocity agreement between Pennsylvania and Ohio. A majority of these Pennsylvania residents have taken out Ohio licenses because of the lower rates prevalent in Ohio and a few of them have taken Ohio plates because their Pennsylvania operating privileges were revoked. In either case they will be vigorously prosecuted. The Pennsylvania law, which requires that plates of other states in lieu of those which he should obtain under the Pennsylvania law, is inviting a fine of \$25 and costs. The Pennsylvania Department of Highways has no desire to embarrass bona fide Ohio residents driving cars in Pennsylvania under the reciprocity agreement between the states but it is determined to force its own residents to comply with the Pennsylvania law on registration of cars, officials said.

ST. AUGUSTINE NEWS NOTES GATHERED DURING A WEEK

James A. Wharton, of St. Augustine, Fla., died on Friday night, and was buried on Saturday morning. He was a civil war veteran, and was born in 1844, celebrated his 84th birthday anniversary at Altoona recently, a party being held in his honor. Those present were James A. Wharton, Charles James, Clarence and Rose Marie Carl, Cyrus, Herman and Mary Grace Carter, and Joseph Grimm, all of St. Augustine; Mr. and Mrs. Urban Stoltz, of Carrolltown; Mr. and Mrs. Julian Burley, of Bradley Junction; V. J. Krise, of Cresson; Gertrude Wharton of Tyrone; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carter, of Patton; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Wharton, Mrs. John Wharton, Robert Adams, Martin Manion, Guy Hostetter, Jessie Nagle, Margaret Wharton and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Mannion, all of Altoona. James Wharton was born in St. Augustine, Fla., in Clearfield township where he still resides. He also reared a family of seventeen children.

Mr. Wharton's grandfather served in the War of 1812. Mr. Wharton is enjoying the best of health.

A large crowd attended the church were callers here recently.

Francis Parabaugh of Loreto, was the guest of relatives here Sunday.

Kenneth Wyland, of Altoona was a recent caller here.

Cyril Wirtner, of Patton was a caller here last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Gauntner, and son, John, of Patton, were guests of friends here recently.

Katherine Riner was a caller in this place one day last week.

Ralph Hoover, son of E. J. Hoover, was seriously injured at his home here last Saturday while coasting.

Herbert Randall of Chest Springs was a recent visitor in this place.

A large crowd attended the church party here on Saturday evening.

COMPILE REPORTS ON DIPHTHERIA, TYPHOID

The total number of diphtheria cases in Pennsylvania for 1928 was 9120, which is next to the lowest on record, the bureau of vital statistics announces. The increase is based on a mild epidemic which occurred in the latter months of 1927 and the first two months of 1928. The normal incidence of this disease from March 1929 to January 1929, compared favorably with 1928 at which time the fewest reported cases were made.

Typoid fever for 1928 showed nineteen more cases than in 1927, the latter year having been next to the lowest on record ever made for this disease. The rate per 100,000 population for 1927 and 1928 is exactly the same, 15.1. The bureau explained the increase on the basis of more efficient reporting during 1928 than during 1927.

Miss Thelma Jones, of Johnstown, was a Sunday visitor among friends in Patton.

RECENT DEATHS IN THE COUNTY

Folks In the Neighboring Communities Who Have Crossed the Great Divide.

Miss Margaret Thomas.

Funeral services for the late Miss Margaret Thomas, of Munster township, where death occurred last Friday morning following an extended illness originating from injuries sustained last August by a fall at her home, were conducted at ten o'clock on Monday morning at St. Michael's church, Loreto, with interment in the church cemetery.

Miss Thomas was born in 1842 and was one of 11 children born to the late John and Mary Ann Campbell Thomas, early settlers in the Loreto section.

Miss Thomas is survived by two sisters, Susan, residing at the old homestead, and Mrs. Sarah Weakland, of Meyersdale. She was a sister of the late Hon. J. J. Thomas, of East Carroll township.

David R. Edwards.

David R. Edwards, aged 86 years, a well known retired farmer of Cambria township, died at his home at three o'clock last Friday afternoon. Death was caused by heart trouble and bronchitis.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock on Monday afternoon at the Edwards home, and burial was made in the Hermon cemetery, five miles north of Ebensburg.

Mr. Edwards was born in Cambria township. He had been a farmer all his life. He is survived by his widow and a number of children.

J. C. Callaghan.

J. C. Callaghan, a native of Cambria County, and Secretary of State for Arizona, died on Friday last at Phoenix, Arizona, where he was on a business trip. He was born in 1869, and went to Arizona about thirty years ago, and upon entering the political field was elected to high office. When Arizona entered the union Mr. Callaghan was elected the first state auditor, an office to which he was re-elected. He later was elected state treasurer and at the time of death was secretary of state. He has a number of surviving relatives in Cambria County. The body lay in state in the State Capitol at Phoenix and was brought to Johnstown this week. Services were held in St. John Gaubert's Catholic church and interment was made in the cemetery at Geistown.

Mrs. Mary K. Bassett.

Mrs. Mary K. Bassett, aged 60 years, wife of George K. Bassett, Sr., chief engineer of the Stinemore Coal Company, died of heart trouble on Monday at her home in South Fork.

The deceased was born at Wilmore, and besides her husband, is survived by a number of children. The funeral services will be held this Thursday afternoon at the home, and interment will be in the South Fork cemetery.

Recently a large number of dogs acts at the previous exhibitions but when the Messrs. Seeds and Dorr saw a dog act in which the animals made a pyramid standing on each other's heads, it broke human understanders and ton brooks, they booked. Gaudschmidt and his troupe of large and small performing canine wonders as a sort of an offset to the acrobatic elephant. They are still selecting from among all the high class entertainments they managed to see.

They also have made arrangements, tentatively, for the coming exposition of two conventions that are national, known and this not include the annual convention of the volunteer firemen which will bring all the members of the association in Central Pa.

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Arrangements are under way for a great band contest at which many of the best known musical organizations in the state will take part and there are many other contests which are on the schedule.

Bookings are being made for the week of the nationally known orchestra to be heard at the dance pavilion at the Ebensburg Fair Grounds not only during the Fourth of July week, but during the dance season, every Friday evening during the summer.

EBENSBERG HOME IS GUTTED BY A BLAZE; \$5,000 DAMAGE

Fire of an undetermined origin broke out at an early hour last Saturday morning and partially destroyed a frame dwelling in Ebensburg, owned by Paul Martin, and occupied by the Rome Cook family. Due to the prompt response and efficient work of the local firemen the fire was confined to the interior of the building, which, along with the household goods, was almost completely destroyed. The loss is estimated at about \$5,000 partly covered by insurance.

The blaze was discovered in the rear of the dwelling and is presumed to have been caused by a overheated stove. The members of the Cook family were asleep when the fire broke out. Mr. Cook being awakened by the smell of smoke. After rousing his family he went to a neighbor's house and sounded the fire alarm.

BONIFACE CINCH PLAYERS DEFEAT

The St. Boniface cinch players had a get-together recently and have decided to again challenge the Patton Second Ward Cinch team to a game to be played at St. Boniface the stakes to be whatever the Patton bunch suggests.

The St. Boniface team, with a rearrangement of the players, feel sure they can trounce the local team.

PREPARE DEER BULLETIN.

A bulletin outlining the present deer situation in the state is being prepared by the Board of Game Commissioners and will be available at an early date.

Farmers' Phone Changes Rates

The Northern Cambria Farmers' Telephone Company, furnishing service in Chest Springs, Ashville, and St. Augustine, has filed with the public service commission at Harrisburg a new tariff which makes increases and changes in existing rates, effective on March 1st, next.

The rate for business telephones and residence telephones is increased from \$24.00 per year to \$30 per year in each instance.

Rule No. 2 is changed to include additional territory which may be served without toll charges. Rule No. 3 is changed to show that switchboard connections are with the Bell Telephone Company instead of with the Huntington and Clearfield Telephone Company.

PREPARING PLANS FOR INDUSTRIAL EXPOSITION

Blair C. Seeds, of Loreto, and H. Frank Dorr, of Ebensburg, have just returned from a tour of the east, where president and secretary, respectively, of the Cambria county Industrial Exposition have been scouting for attractions for that great show which is scheduled for the week of the next Fourth of July at Ebensburg. They had to explore in many fields, not the least was that of horse racing and they returned to announce that the racing at Ebensburg next summer will be under the supervision and guidance of Edward J. Brennan, of Baltimore, Md., one of the best known race track stewards in the east. Mr. Brennan is connected officially, with many race track organizations and has charge of many tracks during the season, being well known not only to many horse owners and riders but to the eastern racing public in general.

Just as the baseball scouts have to look at many games that are not always worth while, in order to find the unknown "pistol" who may become a star in the big leagues, so President Seeds and Secretary Dorr had to sit through many shows, while they tried to select a half a dozen acts that would go with a smash in the outdoor vaudeville and circus entertainment which has become one of the great features of the mid-summer entertainment at Ebensburg.

Secretary Frank Dorr comes back with the information that a wire walking clown elephant, put on by two acrobats, is one of the funniest things he has seen in years and these chaps, Mills and Mills, were booked for the exposition before they could change stage costumes to street clothing.

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CONTROLLER FILES ANNUAL REPORT

Henry L. Cannon Submits Annual Report to the County of Cambria.

County Controller Henry L. Cannon, in the Court of Common Pleas at Ebensburg on Monday filed the eighteenth annual report of the Controller of Cambria County, in accordance with the act of Assembly of 1895. The report is a statement of the fiscal affairs of the county during the period from noon January 2, 1928, to noon, January 7, 1929. The summary shows the controller's balance on hand, Jan. 2, 1928, not including \$15,668.41, outstanding warrants, of \$530,514.41, and receipts for the same period of time amounting to \$2,965,363.51. A summary of expenditures over this period of time shows warrants issued to the amount of \$2,963,361.31, with a Controller's balance on Jan. 7, 1929, not including \$9,297.08 outstanding warrants of \$532,516.61.

The report is very comprehensive and exhaustive, itemizing all expenditures and receipts, as well as all resources and liabilities. It also contains a statement of bond funds, a statement of taxes due from collectors Jan. 7, 1929, a statement of the amount due districts from sealed and unsealed lands and the statement of the expenditures at the county home.

FORECASTS RUSH TO GET DRIVERS' CARDS

Renewal of automobile operators' licenses for the fiscal year beginning March 1st, 1929, reached a total of 502,546 during the last week end. Benjamin G. Eynon, registrar of motor vehicles of the Pennsylvania Department of Highways, announced, warning that only four weeks remain in which the one million five hundred thousand drivers will be required to get license if they wish to drive.

Bureau clerks issued the first 1929 license on January 8. Since that time applications have been received at the rate of 33,000 a day, a slight increase over last year's rate. Registrar Eynon feels that motorists throughout the state should be prompt in filling applications to avoid a last minute rush similar to the annual congestion over license tags.

A rate of 44,000 renewals a day during the entire month remaining must be maintained if all drivers are to receive issued for the last week end, 1,898,977, leaving nearly a million and one-half drivers without license certificates.

MUST BURY DEAD ANIMALS IN WINTER

The bureau of engineering of the state health department this week stressed the importance of the sanitary disposal of dead animals, not only during the summer, but during the winter.

Recently a large number of cases have reached the bureau indicating the indifferent attitude of many people regarding the proper disposal of many carcasses during freezing weather.

The owners of dead animals should at all times comply with the department's regulations, bureau officials said. These require the disposal or removal by burial or incineration within 24 hours after death. In view of the number of reduction companies and of individuals engaged in the business of collecting carcasses, whose activities reach far into the country districts, it is often possible to thus dispose of the dead animals without cost to the owner. In animals, dead animals, if buried, must be covered by at least two feet of earth and at a location not less than 100 feet from any waters of the state.

JOHN J. HOGAN DIES OF HEART TROUBLE AT SPANGLER

John J. Hogan, aged 76, a well known Spangler store keeper, dropped dead on Thursday afternoon of last week at the warehouse of his store. Although Mr. Hogan's health had been impaired for some time, he was able to attend his store and gave no signs of serious illness until he was stricken with the heart attack.

Mr. Hogan was born in Ireland and had been a resident of Spangler for the past thirty years. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Julia Lane Hogan, and the following children: John and E. H. Hogan, of Indiana; Daniel Hogan, of Cleveland, Ohio; Richard and Thomas Hogan, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. J. B. Ech, of Spangler; and Mary, Julia and Fred Hogan at home. Three grandchildren survive.

The funeral services were conducted on Monday morning in St. Patrick's Catholic church at Spangler and interment was in the church cemetery.

U. S. SURVEY GIVES INFANT DEATH DATA

The United States Bureau of the Census has just released provisional infant mortality figures for seventy-three cities throughout the country for the year 1928. These figures are based on a total of fifty-two weekly reports. In this list are Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Erie. The average number of deaths under the age of one year per thousand live births for the seventy-three cities is given as sixty-six, compared with sixty-three for the same cities in 1927.

Pittsburgh reports a rate of seventy-six per thousand live births, or an increase of 72 in 1927.

PATTON HIGH SCHOOL NOTES OF THE WEEK

A Summary of What Is Transpiring Among the Students, Serious and Otherwise.

—Miss Rose Marie Rhody of Pittsburgh, Pa., was a visitor in school last Friday with Marie Brannigan of Ashville.

Our new high school library was opened last week. The library has been very beautifully furnished in solid oak furniture. Although the collection of books is not complete as yet, the best current periodicals and magazines have been selected. In a few weeks we expect to have a very complete library.

Since the library has been opened and furnished warning has been issued not to cut initials on the tables or chairs. No doubt it will be just too bad for anyone violating this rule.

Each member of the senior class must hand in a thesis on February 1, of not less than five hundred words. Each senior received a different subject to write on. These papers are the annual senior class themes and are written each year in conjunction with "Problems of American Democracy."

At a meeting last Friday the Sophomore class decided to buy letters for those making the class team.

Each of the four classes have organized basket ball teams and practice has been going on very well. In a few days the teams will