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## J. B. OVERBERGER TAKEN BY DEATH

### One of Best Known Residents of North Cambria Expires on Monday.

John B. Overberger, of East Carroll township, a well known farmer, residing adjacent to the southern outskirts of Patton borough and one of the best known and respected citizens of our community, as well as the northern section of Cambria county, expired at his home at 12:45 o'clock P. M. on Monday, following ill health covering a period of the last four years, resulting in being bedfast since the first week in March. Mr. Overberger suffered a complication of ailments, and death came to relieve intense suffering over a period of many weeks.

John B. Overberger was born seventy-two years ago in Cambria County, Johnstown. When a small boy he came with his parents, the late Michael and Theresa Lambrecht Overberger to the farm on which he died and on which he has continuously resided. As a young man he taught school in the various county schools of this section. For thirty-two years he served as a Judge of Election in his district, and was a member of the school board, a road supervisor and registrar assessor for many years. He was in fact a leading citizen of the Township, and his fellow citizens had the utmost confidence in his ability and integrity at all times.

John B. Overberger on June 27th, 1881, was united in marriage to Miss Heiene Hoover in St. Bonifacio's Catholic church at St. Boniface by the late Rev. Father Plus, O. S. B. He is survived by his widow and three daughters, the Misses Mary, Barbara and Catherine Overberger, and by the following sons: Dr. Benjamin J. Overberger, of Patton; Dr. Charles E. Overberger, of Barnesboro; Prof. Edwin W. Overberger, supervising principal of the Cresson Public Schools and Isidor A. Overberger, assistant treasurer of the Huguenoit Trust Company, of New Rochelle, N. Y.

The deceased was a faithful Catholic and a member of St. Mary's Parish in this place. He was affiliated with the Young Men's Institute and had held offices with the State Federation of Catholic Societies. He was a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Mary's Church.

The funeral services were conducted at nine o'clock on Wednesday morning with a high mass of requiem in St. Mary's Catholic church in this place, and interment was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Overberger saw Patton originate and saw its development. He was here before the town, although living outside the borough limits, he was regarded always as one of our citizens. He was known to practically every resident of Patton, young or old. His illness of the past four months daily brought forth inquiries from most of the folks of our community as to his condition.

## PLACE ORDERS NOW FOR TREES FOR NEXT SPRING

County Farm Agent H. C. McWilliams has announced that now is the time for the placing of orders with the Farm Bureau for next spring's trees. Mr. McWilliams says:

"Good companies, water companies and paper companies, who plant millions of trees each year, place their orders for forest trees ahead of the planting season. By doing this they get in ahead of thousands and thousands of farmers, who forget about it until a month or two before they wish to plant. The results is many farmers get no trees, others get what others do not want."

"White pine, red pine, larch, spruce and black locust are all excellent trees for the farmer to plant on wet ground. The pines will do well on the poorest driest types of soils, the others need moderate to good supply of moisture in the soil."

"Sometime during the next month drop in and see or write the county agent and take up with him your waste land problems. He has application blanks and will help you fill out your order."

"Waste ground growing weeds is a burden on you. This same ground planted to trees will be a source of pride to you and will result in good profits."

Walter W. Matthews and Wade H. Bunting, attaches of the bureau of motor vehicles, were motoring toward Ephrata, Lancaster county, Matthews suddenly called Bunting's attention to the brilliantly painted legend on the rear doors of a delivery truck rolling along ahead of them.

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"We'll just get this blind!" said Matthews writing down the vehicle's tag number. "Get ahead of him, so we can see what he looks like." .....

As the motor vehicle officials passed the truck they saw, however, that their alarm was needless. The painted legend on the side was the advertisement of a window-blind manufacturer.

## HITCH HIKING IS NOT CONTRARY TO LAW

As it originally passed the House of Representatives Pennsylvania's Motor Code contained a provision making it illegal for so-called "hitch-hikers" or "thumb-riders" to stand among the roadside soliciting "lifts" from motorists. The paragraph was stricken out in the Senate, and the action was agreed to by the House. "Hitch-hiking" may be a dangerous practice or a nuisance, as the individual cares to regard it, but, Motor Vehicle Commissioner Ben Eylon points out, it is not illegal. It is understood that the Senate's objection to placing a ban on the practice arose from the fact that students at various colleges "brought pleasure to bear," objecting strenuously to what they called an infringement on their right to get home week-end with the least possible expense.

## MOVING PICTURE SURPASSES STAGE

### "The Letter" Striking Example of Completeness of Screen Presentation

The peculiar advantages of the moving picture over the stage are brought out strikingly in "The Letter," a Paramount production in which the famous stage and screen star, Jeanne Eagels, has the leading role.

The full stage with its limitations of scene can usually do no more than suggest the surrounding atmosphere. Motion pictures actually show it. There are many colorful sets in "The Letter," all of them presenting the usual life of Singapore and the Orient, which will be actually seen in the film version of this W. Somerset Maugham success. These sets include a full-sized bungalow located in the heart of a rubber plantation; a court room holding 200 persons; a Chinese gambling house, the homes and offices of various colonial settlers and scenes of brooding jungle and bustling street which the stage could not attempt to show. Throughout the picture the jungle setting is emphasized.

Miss Eagels has O. P. Heggie Herbert Marshall and Reginald Owen as featured members of her supporting cast, all of whom were recruited from the stage. This show will be presented at The Grand Theatre Monday and Tuesday.

## LOCAL YOUNG MAN EXPIRES AT HOSPITAL

Jacob W. Thomas, aged 23 years, son of Albert and Elizabeth Thomas, of this place, died of typhoid fever at Miner's Hospital at 3 o'clock Thursday morning of last week. He had been in the hospital for the past four weeks. The deceased is survived by his parents and these brothers and sisters: Catherine, Albert, Gerald, Sarah and Clifford Thomas, all at home.

Funeral services were held at 9 o'clock Saturday morning in St. Mary's Catholic Church, of this place, with burial in the church cemetery.

## SPANGLER HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Gordon Yeager of Hastings is recovering at the Spangler hospital, following an operation for appendicitis.

Irvin Leslie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Leslie, was removed to the hospital and will undergo an operation for the removal of his tonsils.

Miss Mildred Sheehan, of Loreto, recently underwent an operation for the removal of her tonsils.

Mrs. Minnie McCoy of Glordia, who has been visiting at Spangler, has been removed to the Spangler hospital for medical treatment.

Stephen Boncella, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boncella of Bakerton, has been removed to the hospital and will undergo an operation for the removal of his tonsils.

Earl Becker of Spangler has been removed to the Spangler institution for medical treatment.

Rudolph Weakland of Hastings is undergoing medical treatment.

Bianche and Betty Todhunter, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James Todhunter of Barnesboro, underwent operations last week for the removal of their tonsils.

Laura and Emma Neving, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neving of Bakerton, have been discharged from the hospital, where they recently underwent operations for the removal of her tonsils.

Homer Edwards of Ebensburg R. D. has been removed to the hospital here, suffering from injuries sustained recently in an accident at the Sterling No. 1 Coal mine at Bakerton.

Frank Peters of Emigh has been removed to the Spangler Hospital for medical treatment.

## LOCAL AND STATE NEWS OF INTEREST

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

Mrs. Harriet (Reighard) Davis, aged 62 years, wife of Amos Davis, died of heart trouble at the Winderb Hospital at 11:15 o'clock Saturday night. She was admitted to the hospital on June 10. The deceased had lived in South Fork for the last 42 years. She is survived by her husband and three children.

Margaret Ramoi, aged 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ramoi of Rathoon, was fatally burned Saturday evening while playing with matches near the parental home. She was admitted to Memorial hospital at 9 o'clock Saturday night and died soon after. The spot was burned over a large body area.

Sacred Heart parish, Bakerton, will hold a church picnic in a grove located along the highway between Carrolltown and Bakerton, on the Fourth of July. Meals, sports and amusements of the outdoor varieties will be on the program and there will be something of interest to everybody.

Teachers and 1929 graduates of the Hastings High School motored to Washington, D. C., where they took in the sights of the city and its environment for a number of days. The trip started Monday of last week. The visit to Washington is looked forward to by the students, who deem it worth while to anticipate during the senior year.

Seventy-three criminal prosecutions listed for trial at the June Criminal Court last week have been continued until the September term of court. The unusually large number of continuances were made necessary because of a crowded docket.

Services in commemoration of the Lost Children of the Alleghenies will be held this year on Saturday, June 29, instead of next Saturday as originally planned. The exercises, which are attended annually by a large number of relatives of the victims, are held at Pavia.

Alfred K. Young, Johnstown aviator, suffered lacerations of the head at Ebensburg Sunday afternoon when he was struck by the propeller of his plane while attempting to spin it. Mr. Young had just completed a flight from Johnstown to the county seat and was preparing for his return trip, when the accident occurred. It was in the act of starting the motor of his plane, when injured, was taken to the office of Dr. D. S. Rice, where he was treated. He returned to Johnstown by automobile.

Proceeding a nuptial high mass in St. Lawrence's Catholic Church on Tuesday last week at 9 o'clock, the Rev. Father Raphael, O. S. B., of Carrolltown, pronouncing the nuptial mass, marriage Alvin Anthony Leiden and Miss Mary Ellen Drass, both of St. Lawrence. The attendants were Herman Leiden and Miss Rose Otto, also of St. Lawrence. A wedding dinner and reception followed at the Otto home. The newlyweds will reside in Chest Township.

In St. Lawrence's Catholic Church on Wednesday last week at 8 o'clock, Miss Elizabeth Thomas, of this place, became the bride of L. M. Dietrick, of Akron, O., the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Father Raphael, O. S. B., of Carrolltown. The witnesses to the ceremony were Herman Leiden and Miss Mary Ellen Drass, both of this place. Following the church ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Dietrick will take up their residence at Akron, where Mr. Dietrick is employed as a pipe fitter.

Mrs. Eliza (Dawson) Sybert, aged 78 years, wife of E. J. Sybert, died Wednesday afternoon at her home in Pittsburgh. Death was caused by paralysis, she having suffered a stroke several months ago.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary (McGraw) Sonnetfield, aged 45 years, wife of Felix Sonnetfield, of Hazelton, who died Wednesday afternoon, was held at 10 o'clock Friday morning in St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The body of Edward Feely, aged 14 years, son of Mrs. James Feely, of this place, former resident of Dunlo, who died of rheumatic fever on Thursday at the parental home in Wilkes-Barre, was brought to the home of the deceased's sister at Dunlo. Funeral services were held at 9 o'clock Monday morning in the Corpus Christi Catholic Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Louis Ostofsky, aged nine, of South Fork, received lacerations about the face about 5:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon, when a front tire of the automobile in which he was riding blew out, causing the driver, Ray Madison of Ehrenfeld, to lose control and crash against the guard rail of the Conemaugh state road at the intersection with the Park Hill highway. The youth was thrown through the windshield.

Catherine, the 2 months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rosenhamer, of Ebensburg, was born in Pennsylvania at the parental home Monday.

## 270 HAVE LICENSES TO OPERATE PLANES

Tabulations made by the aeronautics commission of Pennsylvania Department of Internal Affairs as of June 15 show on that date there were 270 licensed airplane pilots in Pennsylvania, a number considerably higher than shown at any previous time. In addition to the licensed pilots the records show that 81 persons hold student pilot licenses who are now being instructed in flying. The students listed were grown greatly during the past few weeks and is expected to continue at a lively rate during the summer months due to the school and college vacation period, which will give many persons an opportunity to take up summer flying courses.

The list of airplane and engine mechanics has been growing steadily, also and to date 249 such licenses have been issued.

Records on file indicate that at present there are 208 airplanes licensed in Pennsylvania and now being operated at various airports throughout the Commonwealth.

## GEORGE E. PRINDIBLE IS ACCORDED KNIGHTED HONOR BY POPE PIUS XI

### PATTON'S FOREMOST CITIZEN IS INVESTED WITH THE TITLE OF SIR KNIGHT OF ST. GREGORY, ONE OF THE HIGHEST OF TRIBUTES CONFERRED ON A CATHOLIC LAYMAN.



The Right Reverend John Joseph McCort, D. D., Bishop of Altoona, on his return from Rome, last week, brought a very distinguished honor from the Supreme Pontiff, Pius XI, to our townsmen, George E. Prindible.

The honor referred to—that of being made a Knight of St. Gregory—is one of the greatest that can come to a layman in the Catholic church. It is bestowed very rarely and only in recognition of outstanding service in furthering the work of charity and good will among men.

It has frequently been the pleasure of the Courier to congratulate Mr. Prindible on the high and well deserved honors that have come to him in his business and civic relations, but, in this instance, it is a very distinct privilege to join with his neighbors and friends—and they embrace the entire community—in heartfelt congratulations to Sir George, and in expressing the wish that he may live long to enjoy the world wide distinction that has come to him.

Another Cambrian, Dr. John B. McAmeny, of Johnstown, shares this honor with Mr. Prindible—Bishop McCort making the announcement public at the recent graduation exercises of the Johnstown Catholic High School. They are probably the only two to have this distinction in the state territory between Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

## FRANCISCAN MONASTERY IS NEARING COMPLETION

The new Franciscan Monastery at Kladder Station near Hollidaysburg started last July, is nearing completion. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy by September. It will be known as St. Bernardine Novitiate for the training and education of young men for the priest-hood in the Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi.

The building is a three-story brick structure with basement and a 100 feet long with a depth of 37 feet. Everything necessary for the well-being and comfort of the students has been provided, while the location is ideal in a valley remarkable for its scenery. The site was purchased soon after the formation of the new province of the Franciscan order in the district in 1920.

Very Rev. Father Jerome N. Zazary, T. O. R., pastor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, Altoona, present provincial of this branch of the Franciscan Order, which was founded for the special purpose of caring for the Italian communities in any section to which it was conferred. This branch is known as the Province of the Immaculate Conception, of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis in the United States, and is incorporated under the laws of the State. Boys from the age of 14, who think they have a vocation for this particular work in the priesthood, will be received and educated, after which those who respond to the training will be sent to Rome to study.

When Stephen Bodoley, aged 15, of Wilmore was admitted to the Children's home five years ago little did he realize that he was destined to become a page boy for the United States in Washington. But that is just what happened.

Stephen entered the Children's home and soon proved that he was one of the most intelligent scholars there. When the announcement was received last April that competitive examination for page boy would be held in Altoona Stephen was among the applicants. He passed the examinations successfully and last week was notified to report at Washington immediately. Charles D. Boney, Superintendent of the Children's home took Stephen to Washington Saturday and after finding a suitable home for the boy, returned to Ebensburg.

## TREAT 8606 PATIENTS

During the month of May, 8606 patients in State-aided hospitals were given 145,910 free or part-free days of medical treatment, according to a report made public yesterday by Mrs. E. S. H. McCauley, State Welfare Secretary.

The field representatives of the bureau of assistance, under direction of Mrs. Martha J. Megee, made 57 visits to 46 hospitals in the State for inspection of the cases.

## CARD OF THANKS.

The family of the late John B. Overberger wish to express their deep appreciation for all the kindnesses shown during the courtesies extended to them during the recent illness and the death of their father.

## YOUTH DROWNS IN THE FALLEN TIMBER CREEK

### Seized with cramps while swimming with a girl friend in the Clearfield Creek, at Fallen Timber, Edward Shaw aged 21 years of Utahville, Clearfield County, was drowned about 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

When he suddenly disappeared under the water Shaw's girl friend, who lives in Fallen Timber ran for help and the body was recovered about 20 minutes later. Dr. B. G. Learn, of Blandburg, also was summoned to the scene and worked for more than an hour in attempting to resuscitate Shaw, but to no avail.

Edward Shaw is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shaw, of Utahville; also several brothers and sisters. He was employed as motorman in a mine at Utahville.

## COUNTY CONTROLLER GIVEN JURY PRAISE

### Grand Jury Passes Resolution Commending Work of Mr. Cannon.

The grand jury passed a resolution recently commending the work of County Controller, Henry L. Cannon, as shown by his annual report of Cambria County's business. The jury further recommended that their opinion be made public to the taxpayers of the county and a copy of it be presented to Controller Cannon. The resolution is as follows:

Resolved: That we, the grand jury of the week of June 3, 1929, express our satisfaction and approval of the Eighteenth Annual Report of Cambria County, so ably compiled by County Controller Henry L. Cannon, as we believe that the taxpayers are entitled to this information, and resolved further, that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mr. Cannon.

## CHARITY BALL FOR HOSPITAL BENEFIT

### Will Be Held at Sunset Thurs- day, June 27th, for Insti- tution at Spangler.

Dance and music lovers of this section have the opportunity of killing two birds with one stone on the evening of Thursday, June 27th. They can enjoy an excellent dance orchestra and at the same time help a worthy cause. A Charity Ball will be held at Sunset Auditorium, on Thursday evening next for the purpose of purchasing much needed equipment for the Miners' Hospital at Spangler, Pa. Inasmuch as this institution serves this particular section, the co-operation of our citizens should be forthcoming.

Manager Luther of Sunset Park Auditorium, has shown the proper spirit by donating the hall on that evening for this worthy purpose.

The hospital authorities have not been lax in their endeavours of opening up by some of the most representative horsemen who race their mounts at Havre de grace, Phillico, Laurel, Bowie and the other famous eastern track.

Not much is said during the year of the work of C. S. Maurer superintendent of the grounds of the Cambria County Industrial Exposition but for months he has been busy getting everything in shape. He has an army of men at work not only policing up the grounds, but making many improvements that will be readily noticed by patrons.

At the Exposition headquarters in Ebensburg a large force of clerks have been busy for several weeks mailing literature about the Exposition far and wide. When it is known that the newspaper that gives all the details of the Exposition is distributed to nearly a quarter of a million people, this means that over a million read.

The circus and vaudeville acts on the race track every afternoon and evening, comprise thirteen acts of the highest quality that judgements can select and money obtain. The Duttons, with their great circus, can furnish an entire show themselves and have done this on many occasions. Yet at the Exposition there are only one of the acts on the bill. Manager John Conway has surpassed himself this year in matching up men for the boxing bouts that always attract the fight fans of the evening of opening day. The orchestra for the dances, every evening in the pavilion, is that of a nationally known leader and the fireworks are more of an outstanding feature than ever. Nothing made a bit in previous years has been overlooked and much that is new and attractive has been added. The fifth annual Exposition promises to be the best yet.

## ROAD FROM EBENBURG TO MUNSTER REPAIRED

With an extension program of improvements completed, the seven-mile stretch of road between Ebensburg and Munster was re-opened to traffic, Sunday. Improvements of this road lessen the distance between Ebensburg and Cresson as it is three miles shorter than the route via the William Penn highway.

The road has been closed for about two months while the improvements were being made. It also was closed for a while last fall.

New brick were laid on the road for a distance of 2,800 feet. The brick on another mile of the road were relaid and a number of sharp curves were widened. The Paul Construction Co. of Cresson had the contract.

## STATE REVOKES 70 DRIVERS' PERMITS; OTHERS RESTORED

Seventy drivers lost their licenses for violations of the State motor vehicle laws, while the State Highway Department blacklisted 31 others during the week ended June 13, it was announced at Harrisburg recently.

The Highway Department restored driving privileges to several score persons who had been blacklisted.

## GREAT INTEREST IS SHOWN IN EXPO

### Federal, State and Municipal Au- thorities Have Joined With the Individual.

Never before has Cambria county shown so much advance interest in our own great Industrial Exposition, which opens at Ebensburg on Monday, July 1st, a little over a week from now. Never before have outsiders shown so much curiosity about the great show. On no previous occasion has it happened that Federal, State and Municipal authorities have joined with the individual to make this holiday event at Ebensburg the great sporting week of the year in this part of the country.

Not only have four separate government departments joined the list of exhibitors, with great displays but the Governor, of Pennsylvania, the Hon. John S. Fisher, has consented to open the Exposition on Monday, July 1st. As if to add to this, President Herbert Hoover has given his consent to the band of the United States Marines of being present to give a concert during the opening ceremonies. This band rarely leaves Washington to participate in any outside events.

The people have lent their approval to the many sports that will be sanctioned during the week. The entry of Cambria County's business companies lists have steadily grown in the shoe pitching tournament, the coal loading contest, the coon hound trials the first aid meet, the evening dances, the boxing week on the evening of the opening day and in the horse show and the bench show that will be features of the week.

The Central District of Pennsylvania Volunteer Firemen's Association, comprising over seventy fire companies from 12 counties is to have the greater part of Tuesday during which it will hold the biggest and most diversified parade on the Exposition grounds it has engineered. It will also hold contests and sports, including a band contest. The Mining Institute of America, an organization of Superintendents and executives that includes members from 13 foreign countries and the Central District Coal Operators Association will hold conventions at the Exposition during the week. These organizations recognize that the Exposition is an educational asset along the lines of their work, besides being a great amusement and sporting event in the holiday week.

Horse are already on the grounds for the racing and the stable capacity of 150 animals all been requisitioned by some of the most representative horsemen who race their mounts at Havre de grace, Phillico, Laurel, Bowie and the other famous eastern track.

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