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PATTON BOY LOSES LIFE WHEN GUN HE LOADS DISCHARGES

Body of Harry Christoff, 13 Years Old, Found By Brothers on Saturday.

LAD SHOT IN BEDROOM

Shot through the head, the body of Harry Christoff, 13-year-old son of John Christoff, of Patton, was found last Saturday afternoon on the floor of a bedroom at the Christoff home alongside a high-powered rifle—a tragic remainder of the fascination which a gun holds for youth.

Young Christoff, who long had filled the dual capacity of housekeeper and general utility lad at the Christoff home, his mother having died seven years ago, was alone at the time he is believed to have accidentally shot himself. He had gone into his father's bedroom and had removed an old .30-06 rifle from a secluded corner of a clothes-closet, the instrument having been placed there in order to keep it out of the reach of the three youths who made their home with their father, who is employed at the mines near St. Boniface.

The father was at work and the two brothers of Harry Christoff—one younger, another older—were together on a hunting expedition when the accident occurred, presumably around 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The brothers returned in the middle of the afternoon to find the victim lying near the bed in their father's room. The rifle was on the floor and within reach of the body. It contained one shell, which had been exploded and, to all appearances, had contained the bullet which ripped into the boy's skull, tearing away part of the head.

According to Mr. Christoff, the rifle had never been put away until it had been carefully unloaded. He seemed certain that the rifle chamber had been empty at the time he left for work and, from this, it was gathered that the young victim must have rummaged through the house until he found a cartridge. There was no possible reason for suicide, members of the family and their friends insisted, and it was recalled that the father and his sons had planned to leave on a hunting excursion within a few days. The prospect of enjoying several days in the woods is a source of great interest to the lad's curiosity and to have led him to the place where the rifle was hidden. The family resides just beyond Patton in Clearfield township.

Funeral services were conducted at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning in St. George's Catholic church, Patton, with burial in St. Mary's cemetery.

The youth's mother passed away seven years ago. In addition to his father he is survived by three brothers and sisters: Mrs. Samuel Arnold and Miss Genevieve Christoff, both of Eberly; Eugene and Amanda Christoff, both of Pennsylvania; N. J. Christoff and Clarence and Allen Christoff, both at home.

BARACCA CLASS HAS A MEETING

The Baracca Class of the First Baptist Church met last evening, at its monthly business meeting at the home of William Blair. After the business session a pleasant social time was enjoyed when, Rev. W. H. Jones and Rev. Lillian Jones entertained with a quartet; also a trio by Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lottie Davis and Miss Martha Jones. A solo was rendered by Mr. Pregly. Miss Jones presided at the piano and the men sang a number of selections after which games were enjoyed. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Wm. Blair, and the Misses Margaret and Anna Blair. The following were present: Rev. M. H. Jones, C. W. Rumbaugh, Frank Pregly, Lewis Baker, Walden McQuillen, William Blair, Melvin Wilson, Emmanuel Pregly, William Cummings, Lyndus Jones, Henry Pregly, William Jones, Martha Jones and J. Lillian Jones.

PLEASEN EVENING AT SUNSERI RESTAURANT

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Sunseri on Friday evening last in honor of the second wedding anniversary of the couple. Cards and music were the features of the evening, the prizes being awarded to Charles Link, Mrs. Homer Leary and Michael Karlheim. After cards a delicious luncheon was served. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Eckenrode, of Carrolltown; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hein, of Chest Springs; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Heist and daughter, Janet, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Leary and sons, Albert and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Leary and son, Richard, Mr. and Mrs. William Leary and daughters, Grace and Peg, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Link, Edwin Karlheim, Michael Karlheim, Marcellus Weakland, and Miss Anna Mae O'Donahue, all of Patton, and Miss Verna Ivory of Carrolltown.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Strohm and daughters, Sally and Elinor, of Ithaca, N. Y., were holiday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rhody of Palmer avenue.

TWENTY-SIX DOES SHOT IN CHEST TWP.

Twenty-six does were shot in Chest Township the last three days of last week, the special deer hunting period, and not one illegal kill was reported from the district, despite the fact that in practically all other open districts, a number of deer were illegally shot. The cold weather in Chest township is held accountable for the small kill in that section by Game Protector Thompson. One nimrod, according to Mr. Thompson, had five shots at a doe last Friday and missed the animal, which was within easy range, on each occasion. Another hunter was confronted by a doe about fifteen yards away and when he attempted to shoot, his gun was "frozen" by the cold weather.

HOME TALENT IN A BENEFIT SHOW

Worthy Project Undertaken By Walter McCoy Post of American Legion.

The members of the local Post of the American Legion, realizing that the Christmas period will, of necessity, mean little or nothing to the children of many homes in Patton this year, are planning to stage a play, the proceeds of which are to be used in bringing Christmas joy to the little ones. There is scarcely a town that is not making an effort along some line to aid the worthy and unemployed, and this represents an effort on the part of the Legion to help Patton in such an attempt.

The Post has secured the co-operation of Mrs. Loretto P. Reilly and Miss Loretto E. Prindible in this worthy project and feel sure that fact assures a finished production and an evening of thorough enjoyment awaiting them at the Grand Theatre on the evenings of December 15th and 16th.

Mrs. Reilly has selected an exceptionally and hilariously funny musical comedy, "Good Gracious! Georgie!" for presentation at this time. The cast, too, is exceptional, and represents many of the best in Patton's thespian group.

A group of Legionnaires will open the entertainment with the chorus of "Step by Step" which will bring back memories of the days of 1918.

The stage has been set to represent a modern ocean liner. No detail has been forgotten nor has expense been spared to make the set the "real thing."

In attending the performance you will be repaid not only by an evening of honest-to-goodness fun, but also by the added satisfaction of knowing you have contributed your bit toward making some of Patton's worthy kiddies enjoy a real Christmas stocking. A joyous program awaits you, which we are reserving for next week's issue in order that the show may be fresh on your mind.

Remember the dates, Monday and Tuesday, December 15th and 16th, at the Grand Theatre at 8 P. M. General admission, 50 cents; reserved seats 25 cents extra. Ticket jewelry company December 12, at 3:30 P. M.

Matinee on Saturday afternoon, December 13th, at 2 o'clock. Admission adults, 50c; children 15c.

PRETTY WEDDING ON THANKSGIVING

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at high noon on Thanksgiving day, when Miss Roxie Lansberry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lansberry, of this place, became the bride in Mr. Wayne Lynn, son of Mr. Elery Lynn of Magee avenue.

The marriage ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's parents by the Rev. M. H. Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church. Miss Florance Lansberry, sister of the bride, was the best woman, and Paul Lynn, a brother of the bridegroom, was the best man.

The bride was attractively attired in a gown of orchid dutchess satin, having a tight bodice with an ankle length flared skirt. She wore an amethyst necklace, the gift of the bridegroom, and carried a bouquet of orchid chrysanthemums. The bridesmaid wore a figured ensemble of canton crepe and carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums.

The event took place in a room beautifully decorated with flowers and ferns. Preceding and during the ceremony, "O Promise Me" wedding march from Lohengrin, and "Hearts and Flowers," were rendered by Miss Martha B. Jones, an intimate friend of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn will make their new home at 1249 W. Main street. Immediately following the wedding a delicious dinner was served the following: Rev. and Mrs. M. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lansberry, Mr. Elery Lynn, Miss Emma Harris, Mr. Wayne Lynn, Mr. and Mrs. William Trinkle and children of Hillwood, Mr. and Mrs. Wick Lansberry and son, Mr. Bigler McGuire, Mrs. Rachel Dinsmore, Miss Florence Lansberry, Mr. Paul Lynn, Miss Martha B. Jones, Mr. Russell Jenkins, of Factoryville, Miss Louise Lynn, Miss Sarah Sperry, Mr. Argus Jones, Mr. E. Lynn, Jr., Mr. Perry Witton, Mr. Scott, Merrill, Howard Dinsmore and Master Gill.

AKRON WOMAN IS HUNTING VICTIM

Mrs. Mabel Charterfield Shot by Husband While on Visit with Patton Friends

Mrs. Mabel Charterfield, 23, of Akron, O., is a patient at the Spangler Hospital, suffering from a gunshot wound through the right arm and in the right hip, the result of an accident Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Charterfield, in company with her husband, came to Patton about the middle of last week to visit relatives and to remain until the opening of the deer season Monday. Mr. Charterfield had spent a few hours Saturday hunting in the woods near Patton and had returned to the home of his local relatives. Believing that the rifle was not loaded, it is said that he jokingly told his wife that he was going to shoot her and pulled the trigger on the gun. The bullet passed through the right arm and entered the right hip. An operation was performed at the hospital Monday and the bullet was removed. Mrs. Charterfield is reported to be in a fairly good condition.

PATTON HIGH SCHOOL NOTES OF THE WEEK

As Compiled for the Courier Readers by Bob Little of the Student Body.

Back to school once more and everybody seems to be in good spirits, a sure sign that their holiday vacation agreed with them.

As was expected, the Senior-Sophomore dance held last Tuesday night was a roaring success. Both classes wish to thank the public for patronizing their affair; and the class mothers and sponsors who so willingly helped put the dance across.

Miss Rhodes was a recent visitor at her home in Washington, Pa.

Lorraine Tarr, a graduate of last year's class visited the High School Monday afternoon.

Kathleen Otto was recently seen in Johnstown.

Gus Brunier said he knew he was going to see all of the basketball games this year because he was going to be on the first team. He doesn't love himself.

Betty Mellon and Peg Gwynn were week end visitors in Johnstown.

Miss Walsh spent her vacation at her home in Butler.

Betty Weakland a graduate of the school last year visited several classes Monday afternoon.

Last Wednesday morning the student body was presented with the first Junior Chamber of Commerce newspaper. The name of the paper is "Commercial Pick-Ups," and is to be published monthly. Although this first issue met with the approval of everybody, the staff expects to make each publication better than the last.

Ruth Donahue spent the week end in Altoona visiting friends.

Miss Hamilton spent Thanksgiving at her home in Conneautville.

Last Wednesday morning the students of the Freshman Class held an entertainment for the pupils of the new building. It was enjoyed by everyone and we wish to thank the Freshmen for holding it in our building. The program was as follows:
Reading—Gertrude Roberts.
Trumbone Solos—Emma Williams acc. by June Roland on piano.
Vocal Solo—Patty Rumberger.
Piano Solo—June Roland.
Violin Solo—David Welshire, acc. by June Roland on piano.
Ukelele and Vocal Solo—Babe Coughner.
Ukelele and Vocal Solo—Naomi Somerville.
Short Play—Cast: Bill Crowell, Regnia Maury, Bess Donahue and Donald Gronzik.
Vocal duet—Babe Cowher and Naomi Somerville.

Jessie Elmo and Florence Crowell were Sunday visitors in Hastings.

Mr. Bosserman gave an interesting talk to the school Tuesday afternoon. Take heed.

Ask Lawrence Franklin all about the "man eating flower" she told about in Biology class the other day. It may hand you a laugh.

Several of the high school students spent an enjoyable day roller-skating at Sunset on Thanksgiving.

What are all these mysterious telephone calls about, that Hud Alberts is making around the High School, Let's investigate!

KIWANIS CLUB HAS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The following officers have been chosen by the Northern Cambria Kiwanis Club to serve for the ensuing year:
President, Meade B. Cowher; Vice President, J. R. Nicholson; Treasurer, Fred Maurer; Trustee, J. R. Nicholson. The installation of the new officers will be at the first meeting in January, 1931. The old Board of Directors will serve for the coming years, as follows: Attorney William F. Dill, of Barnesboro; J. R. Nicholson, of Spangler; John E. Kauffelt, of St. Benedict; P. L. Brown, of Patton; George A. Clark, of Hastings; Attorney Reuel Somerville, of Patton; Prof. R. O. Lytle, of Cherrytree; Fred B. Buck, of Carrolltown.

Safety Precautions At Clay Works Affect Community.

Looking backward over the past few years, and at the distressing conditions that have constantly grown worse in this particular section of the country...

Looking backward over the past few years, and at the distressing conditions that have constantly grown worse in this particular section of the country, the Patton Courier has at various times pointed out how fortunate Patton has been in having located in our midst the plant of the Patton Clay Manufacturing Company—what advantages we have enjoyed over our less fortunate neighbors who have relied entirely on the coal industry—but it was not until Tuesday night of this week that we really thoroughly understood to a greater degree at what hazard on the part of the clay works management these fortunate conditions have existed in Patton.

On Tuesday evening, members of the Safety Committee of the Patton Clay Manufacturing Company were entertained at a banquet at the Brandon Hotel, Spangler, the management of the company acting as hosts. This safety committee is the nucleus of a safety organization that embodies every last employee of the company, and is headed by Burgess Thomas McQuillan, as safety engineer. In the past year the accident record of the plant has been materially reduced, but even yet it is far above that of other brick industries throughout the state.

The Patton Clay Manufacturing Company employs 277 men. Thirty-two are the active heads of the Safety Committee. A new corps will take their posts after the first of the year. Such is the order of things so that all make take a keener interest.

Patton has been extremely fortunate in the fact that the Patton Clay Works has been able to keep their plant in operation. Competition in the brick industry—the same as in all other lines—is exceptionally keen. One of the greatest liabilities that the management has had to contend with is the overhead entailed in liability insurance and compensation, the amount of premium paid being governed by the number of accidents in the plant. To reduce these accidents the Safety Department was organized, and while considerable progress has been made every employee will bring the results in the future. The theme of "Safety" is even more important with the men themselves than it is with the employing company.

Thomas J. Quigley, Chief of the Bureau of Mines and Quarries of Pennsylvania, has for the past year taken an active part in promoting the cause of safety at the Patton plant. He was here on Tuesday and addressed all employees of the plant at noon, and again the safety committee in the evening. His message was timely and to the point. In substance it amounted to something like this:

The Patton Clay Manufacturing Company, with a great business depression now in existence, has had to meet competitive conditions to the extent that they perhaps are now actually losing money in order that they retain their present markets and keep competition away, basing the policy on the hope that business conditions in the not too far distant future will again reach a point more nearly normal. Facing them in this condition is the enormous overhead that a great number of minor accidents have cost them, both in compensation insurance and in the excessive rates the number of accidents in the plant have caused them to pay for that protection. Mr. Quigley placed the matter before the men in a positive way, pointing out that in return for the work they have been afforded, they should be all the more careful in protecting themselves from injury, and by so doing, help the company reduce their accident carrying rates. Few Patton people realize the tremendous sum to which the Clay Works management is obligated for compensation. And those rates are based on the number of accidents—AND PATTON HAS THE LARGEST ACCIDENT RECORD OF ANY BRICK PLANT IN THE STATE.

But under the guidance of the Safety Department, much improvement is being noted.

This editorial is not written at the instance of the Clay Works management. It is inspired because it is a very serious concern to our community. Had the Patton Clay Works ceased to operate at the same time that the coal industry slumped, well—we can visualize the Patton community as "a back door beggar." After all, the moral of this editorial is inspired in the interest of self-preservation for the employees at the clay plant, and if they, themselves, benefit in being careful, they serve the threefold purpose of being true to their employer and true to their entire community.

The Patton Clay community is more dependent on the Patton Clay Manufacturing Company operating its plant from three to five days a week than it is in any other two or three or four business enterprises in the entire north of the county.

Then, too, there are many who think that every time a car load of clay products leaves the Patton yards, a car load of profits will come rolling in for the owners. Folks are like that. They don't sometimes realize that in times of depression profits are cut to the bone—sometimes even into the bone—

in order that markets may be retained. The Patton Community can be extremely thankful that we have had the Clay Works to fall back upon in the past and present, and that we will have it in the future, and if the co-operation of the 277 men who are employed there will help insure us keeping the plant in operation, we feel sure they will do it. And we have been advised also that the management have given definite assurance that work will follow uninterrupted throughout the winter months at the present ratio.

Geo. W. Frerking, supervising factory inspector, of Johnstown, Attorney Gus Gleason, of Johnstown, Fred Blankenhorn of the executive department of the Clay Works, and Ralph E. Good, the latter as toastmaster, all had a word of compliment for the progress made during the past year by the Safety Department. The Courier, too, takes this method of congratulating the leaders and the 277 men at the plant, each and every one of whom are its personnel.

THOS. A. OWENS, Publisher.

SPANGLER HOSPITAL BUYS X RAY UNITS

Most Complete Equipment in This Section Will Be Installed Very Shortly.

The Board of Trustees of the Miners' Hospital of Northern Cambria, Spangler, has purchased a most complete X-Ray Laboratory. The equipment will consist of an X-Ray Apparatus for all Radiographic work, and of ample capacity for treatment work, such as cancer, various skin conditions, etc. All the latest developments are incorporated in this installation which includes Stabilized Control, Timing Device, Magnetic Releases, Bucky Diaphragm, Stereoscope, Plate Changer, and a Combination Table of the latest model manufactured. This table embraces both Vertical and Horizontal Fluoroscopic, Radiography, Diagnostic and Stereoscopic in either Vertical or Horizontal positions.

The outfit, when installed, will be second to none for all phases of Radiographic work, as well as Deep Therapy Treatments.

This community should be congratulated upon having a service equal to the large cities. The necessity of X-Ray in a hospital cannot be questioned and with this outfit, the very best quality of work can be done. The equipment was purchased after thorough investigation, not only by members of the Board of Trustees but with the aid of the Medical Staff. We congratulate not only the hospital but this entire community by having purchased the finest X-Ray that money can secure for the aid of the unfortunate.

Same will be installed within the next ten days. After installation a cordial invitation is extended to all to visit the hospital and see this new equipment of which the entire community should be very proud.

JOHN D. WALKER NOT TO RUN FOR COMMISSIONER

A formal announcement that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself as a member of the board of county commissioners at the election next year was made Wednesday by John D. Walker, now serving his second term as a county commissioner.

"As far as I am concerned," Mr. Walker said, "from the time of my last election to this office I never anticipated that I would succeed myself. At this time I will say quite frankly that I am not going to be a candidate for the office of county commissioner. I am finishing my second term as county commissioner and I appreciate what the taxpayers have done for me. I have at all times endeavored in every way to fulfill my duty to the best of my ability."

In announcing his intention of not being a candidate to succeed himself, Mr. Walker said that it was "a little early to talk politics, but I want to quiet all rumors to the effect that I intend to run next fall."

GIRL SCOUT NEWS AND HAPPENINGS

The Girl Scouts held their weekly meeting on Wednesday of last week because of Thursday being Thanksgiving. The next meeting will be on Thursday of this week. It will be "Mystery Night."

The girls decided to assist in community endeavor by offering to dress dolls for Christmas. All those desiring to have dolls dressed should leave the dolls and material for dresses at the homes of the following girl scouts:—Martha Rumberger, June Rowland, Lorna Williamson, Dee Whitehead, Babe Cowher and Iva Dumm. The dolls will be dressed free of charge, but any money offered to help the girl scouts will be accepted.

Clark Black is ill at his home near Patton.

HERMAN LONG AND MAE GAUNTNER WED

Herman Long, son of Mrs. Laura Long, of Mellon avenue, and Miss Mae Gauntner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Gauntner, of Ashville, were united in marriage on Thanksgiving morning at nine o'clock in St. Thomas Catholic church at Ashville, by the Rev. Father Denny, pastor, who also celebrated the high mass which followed the ceremony. Attendants were Miss Anna Mary Long, sister of the bridegroom, and William Gauntner, a brother of the bride. The bride wore a navy blue ensemble with matching accessories while her bridesmaid wore midnight blue. Following the wedding ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Long spent several days on a motor trip in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE IN PATTON

Will Start in the Next Day or Two, Announces the Local Chairman.

Christmas Seals sent out by the Johnstown Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis have been received in Patton and will be forwarded to the people of this community in the next few days. Mrs. Cecil Mitchell is the chairman of the local committee for the appeal. The other committee members names will be found on the back of the circular that will accompany the seals when mailed.

The Christmas Seal Sale is truly a work of charity. President Herbert Hoover, in inaugurating the sale, had the following to say: "The Christmas Seals of the National Tuberculosis Association which are sold at Christmas time every year provide funds for one of the most valuable of all services to mankind in helping to prevent and destroy a disease that threatens millions of homes and weakens millions of the children and youth of the nation. I commend this yearly program to all of our people."

All Patton folks who can possibly do so are urged to buy Tuberculosis Seals. The remarkable achievements of the public health movement, which in the past fifteen years has increased the length of human life by two and one-half years, prove the service of the seals. Let Patton do its share in this worthy cause.

MRS. RUDOLPH MILLER IS CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. Rudolph Miller, aged 49, a resident of Carrolltown, after moving to Bradley Junction one year ago, died at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at her home there, a complication of diseases causing death. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hertzog of 42 du Pont place, Johnstown.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and parents, are a son, Leroy of North Braddock, and a daughter, Rosemary, at home together with their brothers and sisters: Ambrose, Pittsburgh; William, Cresson; Rudolph, Washington, D. C.; Carl, St. Louis; Anna, wife of D. T. Weakland; Johnstown, and Ida, wife of James Werner, Altoona. There is one grandchild, Mrs. Miller was, Emma Hertzog before her marriage and was born June 8, 1881. For many years she resided in Carrolltown, where she was a member of the Ladies' Aler society.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday morning, with a 10 o'clock Requiem high mass in St. Benedict's Catholic church, Carrolltown, the Rev. Father Thomas Wolfe, O. S. B., prior of St. Benedict's serving as celebrant. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

MISS RACHEL ELMS WEDS HASTINGS MAN

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Elms announce the marriage of their daughter, Rachel to Samuel Sherron of Hastings, last Thanksgiving day. The couple were attended by Miss Jessie Elms, a sister of the bride and James Sherron, brother of the bridegroom.

Following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served to the following invited guests: Mrs. Louis Commons, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stokes, Mrs. John Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Anderson, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Elms and Mrs. Joseph Mancuso and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherron, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sherron and family, Mr. Highmarsh, and Mr. Shebaugh, all of Hastings; John and Sam Shevock, Frank Vallinsky, Frank Galinsky, and Dan Spicher of Hastings; John Kuma of State College; Mr. Natrigo, of Patton; John Baccusa of Hastings; Eddie O'Leary, John Shapenco and the Misses Florence Crowell and Aileen and Verna Booterbaugh, of Patton.

ST. GEORGE BAZAAR ON IN FULL SWING

The annual bazaar of St. George's church ladies is on in full swing this week in the Fitzpatrick store room on Magee avenue. Entertainment is furnished nightly, and will close on Saturday night. All kind of amusements are featured by a bingo game. The general public is cordially invited to attend.

EDWIN YECKLEY IS DEAD AS RESULT OF HUNTING ACCIDENT

Accidentally Shot By Own Rifle on Saturday, Dies on Monday at Hospital.

SON OF LEONARD YECKLEY

Edwin Yeckley, aged 13 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Yeckley, of East Carroll Township, Passed away at the Miners' Hospital in Spangler on Monday afternoon, two days after he had been admitted to the institution in an extremely critical condition, suffered from a bullet wound in the vicinity of the heart, which was inflicted on Saturday in a hunting accident near the Yeckley home. The bullet entered a short distance below the heart and lodged in the vicinity of the spine, causing paralysis of the lower extremities.

Accompanied by his brother, Louis, aged eleven years, Edwin stalked a rabbit into a hole on his father's farm, Saturday. Supporting the rifle against his body Edwin attempted to stuff the stalk end of the weapon into the rabbit hole. As he did so the jar is believed to have snapped the trigger of the gun.

The boy suffered considerably from loss of blood before he was removed to the Spangler institution, and an operation to remove the bullet could not be performed because of his weakened condition.

Both Edwin Yeckley and his brother are pupils of the Shambaugh school. It is said that both boys had manifested a keen desire for rabbit hunting, but that they could not obtain the consent of their parents to hunt for game until Saturday.

Edwin Yeckley is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Yeckley and the following brothers and sisters: Leona, Charles, Geraldine, Louis, Ethel, Gretta, Mary Mildred, Lea and Loemary, all at home.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning at nine o'clock in St. Benedict's Catholic church at Carrolltown, with a high mass of requiem. Interment was made in the church cemetery.

JOHN F. KRISKE, 71, EXPIRES SUDDENLY

Succumbs to Heart Attack at Home in Dean; Funeral Services Last Monday.

John T. Kriske, aged 71 years, a well-known resident of Dean, died suddenly from a heart attack at his residence at 6:45 o'clock last Friday evening.

The deceased was born in Clearfield Township on December 2, 1858. He was a son of P. J. and Catherine Kriske. Mr. Kriske is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Kriske and these children: David Kriske, of Fallen Timber; Sherman Kriske, of Dean; Peter Kriske, of Pittsburgh; Mrs. Catherine Davis of St. Augustine; Mrs. Ida Wills of Dean, and Mrs. Pearl Krohne, of Ashville.

He also leaves four sisters: Mrs. J. N. Alexander of Madera; Mrs. J. E. Holten, of Ashville; Mrs. Samuel Evans of Ebensburg, and Mrs. H. D. Garner of Cherrytree. The deceased was a member of Patton Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Monday morning in St. Augustine's Catholic Church, with a high mass.

OKLAHOMA COW PUNCHERS AT GRAND THEATRE

The Oklahoma Cow Punchers, international radio stars, will be at the Grand Theatre, this place, this Thursday evening to play real old fashioned tunes. Radio fans from all over the world write them letters saying their music is the best they ever heard. Not that in their own line of playing do they strum their own native western tunes, but they also play modern, up-to-date music that will make your feet want to dance.

The management of the Grand theatre has gone to a big expense in the bringing of this attraction to Patton direct from radioland for the music loving public of this community. The sweet harmony singing by the Oklahoma Four, led by Maw, will carry you back to the days of long ago. As for Tom, he sure swings a wicked hoof for a man of his age. They are coming direct from radio station KDKA at Pittsburgh to Patton.

MELODY MAKERS TO BROADCAST FRIDAY

The Patton Melody Makers will broadcast from Station WJAS, Johnstown, on Friday evening of this week for an hour's program beginning at 10:30 o'clock and continuing until 11:30. The Melody Makers have been at the Johnstown station before, and their program met with such favorable comment. Northern Cambria county friends of the orchestra are urged to "listen in" this coming Friday, as the boys are preparing their "very best" for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnard of Palmer avenue spent Thanksgiving and the week end at the home of Mrs. Barnard's parents in Kittanning.