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PLANS FOR COUNTY FAIR AT EBENSBURG NEAR COMPLETION

Automobile Racing Will Be One of Host of Features Prepared By the Management.

Automobile races used to win and lost in the grimy shops of the racing car builders. What the fans saw on race days was proof that one builder had put together a more powerful machine than another. The drivers were simply there to see that power and speed was used to greatest advantage.

Very often the most skilled driver and the most courageous one was to be found behind the wheel of a machine which gave him no chance to exhibit his own qualities while the race was won by a high powered car in the hands of a man lesser gifted.

All that has been turned around by Walter C. Stebbins, often called the "Tex" Richard of Auto Racing, who will promote the auto races at the Cambria County Fair, on Saturday, September 6th. Stebbins is at last realizing his dream of auto racing in which the accent is on the driver's skill and courage rather than on the steel "innards" of an automobile. The races will be one of the features of the fair, which opens at Ebensburg Fair Grounds, Labor Day, Monday, September 1st, and continues throughout the week.

All last year, Stebbins, who holds the title of auto racing director for Madison Square Garden in New York, steered clear of big car promotions and concentrated upon midget auto races at his various tracks throughout the country. But he was building, at the same time, for this year.

As early as July in 1940, Stebbins started lining up fields for the big car races in building this year. He outlined his plans to builders limiting motors to 214 cubic inches. He promised them 27 races during the season if they would "even up" their motors.

The car owners and drivers accept the idea and Stebbins is now receiving orders for motors. The motors and larger engines would mean more prize money in accordance with the Stebbins percentage plan.

The Central States Racing Association adopted the plan readily, and the Penn-Jersey racing circuit followed. Members of other racing groups were quick to sense the advantages of the new field with the result that some of them are flocking to the Stebbins group in defiance of fines which some of the racing groups levy on those who leave them.

Keep the motors the same size, Mr. Stebbins says, and you automatically place the results of the race in the hands of the better drivers. It will take driving skill, courage and brain cells to win my races.

The drivers are even more enthusiastic about the Stebbins method of making the car with the fastest time trial take the least advantageous position in the feature race for the big prizes. They realize that they will have to step on it and take chances which they ordinarily would not have to take if the fastest car were out in front at the start of the race. Stebbins handicap starts are coming into their own and similar types of races are now being held in all parts of the country.

Miner is Killed, and Another Injured in Shaft at Colver

One man was killed and another injured as the result of a fall of rock shortly after 5 o'clock last Friday morning in the Ebensburg Coal Company Mine at Colver. The dead man is George Smith, 28, of Nanty-Glo. Injured in the accident was Albert Hornolok, 32, of Farmertown.

Smith's death was caused by a fracture of the back and a probable fracture of the skull. Hornolok suffered an injury to the pelvis.

Smith and Hornolok were working in heading F-16. One of the men in a nearby room went to the heading where they were working to deliver a tool. On arriving in the heading he discovered the accident and immediately summoned help.

The dead man was a well known semi-pro baseball player, being first baseman for the Colver team of the Northern Cambria Baseball League. His wife, Mrs. Lena (Zandy) Smith, is ill at her home in Nanty-Glo, having been at the Colver hospital, giving birth to a baby July 31st. Smith is also survived by a younger daughter, aged two years. He had been employed at Colver since 1934.

Miners Hospital to Share in State Appropriation

Governor James M. Stewart signed the bill allocating \$2,740,000 for state-aided hospitals and \$449,325 for state-aided homes.

The Miners Hospital in Spangler will receive its share of this appropriation \$44,000.

NLRB VOTE SET AT BETHLEHEM PLANTS

Employees in Six Other Plants Choose CIO As Agent

The C. I. O. Steel Workers Organizing Committee has announced that the National Labor Relations Board has scheduled elections at two Bethlehem Steel Corporation plants on August 20 and 21.

The union estimated that 20,000 workers will participate in the elections at Bethlehem and Pottstown. About 18,000 men will vote at Bethlehem August 21, and 2,000 employees will vote at Pottstown on either the 20th or 21st.

Employees in six other Bethlehem plants have participated in NLRB elections during the past few months favoring the SWOC as their bargaining agent in each instance.

On June 25 employees at the Cambria Plant in Johnstown voted 8,940 to 2,108 in favor of the SWOC as the sole bargaining agent.

TED LEWIS AND HIS BAND IS SATURDAY SUNSET ATTRACTION

Celebrated Orchestra and Rhythm Rhapsody Revue Carries Also Twenty-five Entertainers.

Manager Fred Lather of Sunset Auditorium has been making the dance and music loving public sit up and take notice the past several weeks. During the past two weeks alone he had an engagement of Alvino Rey and the Four King Sisters, and also Paul Whiteman. Now to cap the climax of securing the nation's outstanding dance and entertainment bands he announces that on Saturday evening of this week, August 16th, Ted Lewis, he of "Is Everybody Happy" fame, will be at the popular ballroom with his celebrated orchestra and his Rhythm Rhapsody Revue.

Lewis carrying with him 25 artists of the top-ranking type, and even if you don't dance, and love musical entertainment, here's one big chance of amusement. Admission will be \$1.25 tax paid. Dancing will be from 9 to 1 o'clock, Eastern Standard Time.

Cresson, Ebensburg Boards Name New Selectee Groups

The following have been selected by two boards in this section for induction into the U. S. Army under the Selective Service Act for the August call:

Cambria County Local Board No. 1, headquarters at Cresson. Induction date, Friday, August 22. James Crawford Nelson, Gallitain, Joseph Anselm Westrick, Patton R. D. 1. Thomas Craven Biller, Cresson. Joseph Anthony Stanslaw, Lilly. Stephen George Sheddick, Lilly R. D. 1. Regis Michael Conrad, Lovetto R. D. Michael John Ocilia Jr., Gallitain. Leo Edward O'Leary, Patton R. D. Regis Alfred Moutler, Falkenberg R. D.

Cambria County Board No. 2, headquarters at Ebensburg. Induction date, Friday, August 22. Joseph John Pennick, volunteer. Michael John Dwyer Jr., volunteer. John McKitt, volunteer, Ebensburg. Robert Donald Stormer, Ebensburg. Stephen Roman, Patton R. D. 1. Andrew Zawatske, Colver. All men will be sent to Camp Lee.

MINERS' FIRST-AID AND SAFETY TESTS WILL SET RECORD

To Be Held Saturday, September 6th, at Ebensburg Fair, As Part of Fair Program

Predicting that the statewide Miners' First-Aid and Safety Meet to be held at the Ebensburg Fairgrounds Saturday, September 6, as one of the outstanding features of the Cambria County Fair, will set a record for any similar contest. W. Garfield Thomas, deputy state secretary of mines, recently made committee appointments of those who will have charge of the affair.

The meet will be sponsored by the state secretary of mines, Richard Maize; the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Council, U. S. Bureau of Mines and the United Mine Workers of America. Participating in the statewide meet will be the winners of district contests already held in Indiana, New Kensington and Uniontown. The winners of the contests to be held at the Point Stadium at 7 p. m., Saturday, August 23, also will participate.

In addition to attending the Ebensburg meet, state mine inspectors of the 25 bituminous districts will hold a convention in the Ebensburg courtroom, Friday, September 5. Secretary Maize will be the principal speaker.

Mr. Thomas will head the committee in charge of the miners' meet. James Sanner, Colver, is secretary, and Bart C. Leonard, South Fork, of the Adams Fuel Corporation, treasurer. William Lamont, Ebensburg, mine inspector, will be the assistant general chairman. J. J. Forbes of Pittsburgh, supervising engineer of the safety division of U. S. Bureau of Mines, will be the chief judge and Francis Feehan, Pittsburgh, mine safety commissioner, U. S. Bureau of Mines, will serve as the announcer.

Mrs. Janet Cooke-Hodge, Former Patton Resident, Passes Away at Cresson

Mrs. Janet (Hamilton) Cooke-Hodge, aged 68 years, a former resident of Patton, died at 2:30 p. m. on Tuesday at the home of a son, Robert Cooke, at Cresson. Mrs. Hodge had lived with her son for the past four years, previously residing in Patton. A native of Scotland, she was born June 18, 1872, a daughter of James and Margaret (Russell) Hamilton, both deceased. Mrs. Hodge was married twice, both husbands preceding her in death. Her second husband was John Hodge. Surviving are four daughters: Mrs. Howard Taylor, Emmaugh R. D.; Mrs. Ernest Yanasena, Cresson; and Mrs. Frank Sebulyak and Mrs. Carl Glatky, both of Vintondale, and a son, Robert Cooke, Cresson, all born of the first union. Twenty-five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive. Mrs. Hodge also leaves three step-sons—John Hodge, Baltimore, Md.; Alex Hodge, Patton, and James Hodge, South Fork—and these brothers and sisters: Robert Hamilton, Pittsburgh; William Hamilton, Cresson; Joseph Hamilton, Lucerne Mines; Mrs. Ann James, Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. Wilbert Weiser, all of Glen Campbell. The remains may be viewed at the Cooke home in Cresson until 7 o'clock on Thursday evening when they will be removed to the First Baptist Church, Patton. Funeral services will be held in the Patton church at 2 p. m. Friday by Rev. Thomas McQuillen, pastor. Burial will be made in Fairview cemetery.

Few Soldiers to Take Part in Nominating in County

Unless they return home on furloughs on September 9, less than 20 of approximately 1,000 Cambria County soldiers serving with the U. S. armed forces will be able to vote at the primary election next month.

At the close of business Saturday at the office of the county commissioners at Ebensburg less than 20 requests for "military ballots" had been received from Cambria County men serving in Army camps.

Saturday was the deadline for receiving applications from soldiers and sailors for absentee ballots for the September primary election.

The "military ballot" bill was signed August 1 by Governor James, who had the law on his desk nearly three weeks before he affixed his signature. The provisions of the bill gave soldiers and sailors time days to learn of such a bill and to write to county commissioners from where they are stationed.

—Fine Job Printing at this office.

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE BOARDS NOTIFIED OF FIVE LAW CHANGES

Rules Are A Lot Different Since Recent Legislature Acted on Five Measures.

Harrisburg.—State relief authorities sent to county boards last Friday digest of the five changes in the Pennsylvania Public Assistance Law made by the 1941 Legislature for guidance in local administration.

The acts, approved by the House and Senate and signed by Governor James, provide:

1.—A guaranty against "improper publication" of the names of persons on relief and restriction of the use of information about relief recipients for purposes connected with the administration of public assistance.

2.—Authority for the department and its local boards to promote rehabilitation of persons on relief and to take measures to help them find jobs.

3.—A requirement that a legal citizen or one who has filed declaration of intent to become a citizen need have only "a settlement in Pennsylvania." The law was amended to strike out the provision that an applicant must show at least two years previous residence in the state.

4.—Creation of the "Little WPA," providing the department with authority to help local communities finance work relief projects not in the competition with the WPA with the intent to come from relief rolls.

5.—A ban on extending relief to persons who advocate overthrow of the government by force.

Another act of the legislature, not affecting the county boards, however, was the bill placing the department's civil service under a special commission, along with the Division of Unemployment Compensation and the Liquor Control Board.

FIVE GALLON RATION Tank Cars, Trucks Go Into Service to Bring Oil to East

Oil company executives in this area predicted Sunday that the shortage of gasoline due to the five-gallon-a-week rationing for motorists. This is but one-third of the recently suggested ration of 15 gallons a week for car owners.

The average consumption in this section of the country last year was 15 gallons per car each week," one oil firm official said. There isn't going to be that much gas around this winter.

Meanwhile, Government and industrial leaders bent their efforts to increase the flow of oil and gasoline to the east, laying plans to make use of every available means to transportation.

Two large oil companies, it was revealed, have begun deliveries by motor oil to eastern refineries by crude oil tank trucks and railroad tank cars, although this method is 10 times more costly than ocean transportation.

ST. AUGUSTINE PICNIC Will Be Held Sunday; Usual Good Meals Will Be Feature

The annual picnic of the parishioners of St. Augustine Catholic Church will be held in the picnic grove at that place this coming Sunday, August 17th.

Good meals particularly will be a feature of this event, with dinner served from 12 to 2 p. m. Supper will be served from 4:30 to 6:30 p. m. The price of each meal is 50c. Chicken dinners will be afforded both at noon and in the evening, and all the good things that go with chicken.

Entertainment will be afforded for all attending—bingo, games, music, and other amusements. You are cordially invited to attend this affair.

MEETING PLANNED BY MEDICAL UNIT
The Cambria County Medical Society will hold a meeting this evening at the Summit Country Club near Golf, tennis, trap shooting, chicken dinner and buffet supper will all be features of the affair.

PROPERTY FOR SALE
Property must be sold as the owner is leaving town. No reasonable cash offer will be refused.—Mrs. Bruce Monlath, 314 Mellon Ave., Patton.

LIQUOR EMPLOYEES DESERVE A RAISE

Scale Is Lower Than Prevailing Wages for Similar Work

Union employees in the State liquor stores are talking about a strike in an effort to get the minimum pay schedules provided in a bill passed by the 1941 Legislature but vetoed by Governor James.

The State liquor store workers have been persistently, but temperately, seeking better pay for several years. And they deserve it. Their pay scales are substantially lower than those prevailing in industry for similar work.

The bill which Governor James vetoed provided a pay rate of \$26.75 a week for clerks, \$31.15 a week for assistant managers, and \$35.77 a week for store managers. These are not high rates of pay for a business which earns 18 million dollars a year profits and which does the immense volume that is handled through the State Liquor Stores.

Liquor store employees are under strict civil service. They cannot take part in politics. Perhaps that's the reason why they have fared so badly.

COUNTY SPORTSMEN PLANNING OUTING AT EBENSBURG SUNDAY

Annual Event of The Association Gives Promise of Being the Best Held in History

The third annual field day and picnic event of the Cambria County Sportsmen's Association will be held next Sunday, August 17th, at the Fairgrounds in Ebensburg. Plans now being completed by the committee in charge of the event forecast the largest crowd and the best program ever held in the history of the organization.

Members and their families, as well as all sportsmen and their families, are urged to bring their families. These are desired to go to the grounds and find a convenient stand on the grounds.

The program will start at 9 o'clock in the morning, and from 9 to 12 the noon dog trials will be held at the main gate; from 9 until dark, rifle shooting contests will take place at the race track, and during the same hours, also at the race track, trap shooting events will be a feature.

At 1:00 p. m. there will be a dog judging show in the arena. At 2 o'clock a number of ladies and children's contests will take place in front of the grandstand, with both an archery exhibition and plug and fly casting contests at the same place beginning at 2:25.

At 3:00 p. m. Fred Soisson of Hating, nationally known marksman and trick shot, will give a lengthy exhibition in front of the grandstand. Mr. Soisson will also give a number of his new and latest shooting stunts.

Sportsmen are always interested in his exhibitions. At 4:00 p. m. a boxing show will be presented, and at 5:30 the drawing for the gate prize will be held.

Approve Ebensburg Span at Inspection

The new bridge over the Pennsylvania railroad tracks at the west end of Ebensburg was approved last week following an inspection by representatives of the county, the borough, Cambria township and the Public Utility Commission. The structure, recently constructed by the Union Construction Company of Tyrone, replaced a steel and wood bridge. It is of concrete and steel and has three traffic lanes with two five foot sidewalks.

The old bridge was declared a menace to motorists and pedestrians. The Pennsylvania Railroad will pay fifty per cent of the land damage resulting from the construction of the span and the other damages will be paid by Cambria County, Ebensburg Borough and Cambria Township.

Falls From Truck

Warren Haines of Flinton suffered a fracture of the right wrist and lacerations of the wrist on Thursday evening last when he fell from a truck near Flinton. The vehicle was loaded with lumber. Haines lost his balance while seated on the lumber and fell to the paved road. He was removed to the Spangler hospital where his condition is reported good.

RELIEF PAYMENTS RESE

Direct relief payments made to the needy Cambria County families during the week ended Monday show an increase of \$25 over those of the previous week, according to State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner.

No job is too large or too small for our job printing department.

MINE 'EXPLOSION' TO BE DEMONSTRATED AT JOHNSTOWN MEET

Setting for Underground "Disaster" Will Feature "Black Diamond Week"

A mine explosion—one of the tragedies of the mining industry—will be staged at the Point Stadium, in Johnstown on Friday evening, August 22nd, as one of the highlights of Johnstown's "Black Diamond Week."

Under the direction of Dennis J. Keenan, of Barnesboro, state mine inspector, approximately 12 teams of miners will give an exhibition of mine rescue work. A "mine" will be constructed on the baseball field and by having the "roof" open, spectators on the bleachers will have an opportunity of witnessing mine rescue work similar to that carried on underground.

The mine will be constructed in a manner to show headings, haulage tracks, rooms and air channels. After the "explosion" rescue teams including men equipped with apparatus, will enter the mine and carry out work identical to demands made upon them in time of actual underground disaster.

Competing teams will not be informed of the nature or extent of the "explosion" until the start of the mine rescue contest. A similar event held last year at Ebensburg proved so successful that the general committee for the "Black Diamond Week" decided to feature the "explosion" as one of the highlights of the Johnstown program.

As explained by Inspector Keenan, the exhibit will be "the same as in a coal mine, with the exception that spectators may occupy seats in the bleachers to witness what takes place at the time of disaster in the bituminous coal industry."

R. D. Joseph, state mine inspector, and president of the Central Pennsylvania Safety Association, announced that the mine rescue contest is entirely different from the first one held in the county, because it was representative and covered in the 2nd, 3rd, 10th, 12th and 20th inspection districts will compete for cash prizes amounting to \$100.

Winners of the sectional meet at Johnstown will be entered in the state championship meet—an annual feature of the Cambria county Fair at Ebensburg, next month.

Defence Group Will Coordinate Council's Work, Meeting Held at Ebensburg C. H. Concludes

Steps toward the creation of an executive board which would coordinate the work of local defense councils in the county were taken at a meeting held last week in the Ebensburg Courthouse. Attending the session held under the auspices of the Cambria County Council of Defense were representatives of fourteen townships, and ten boroughs: Walter J. Stinson, county council chairman, presided.

Mr. Stinson and Attorney George M. Spence, solicitor for the county council, outlined the needs for an executive board representing all sections of the county. Mr. Stinson said that the current armament drive has shown a necessity for such an organization in order that all local councils will have the benefit of the experience of others.

Township supervisors complained that they had not been notified by Defense Council officials at Harrisburg of the necessity for them to organize councils in their respective townships. Dr. Arthur M. Stoll, a member of the county council, outlined briefly to the supervisors the purpose of the local council.

It is likely that a meeting will be held in the near future by the county council to perfect plans for the organization of the county-wide executive board.

In the formation of the board, Mr. Stinson stated, all townships and all boroughs in the county will have a voice.

BITUMINOUS WAGE EARNINGS

Wage earners in the bituminous coal mining industry received average hourly earnings of 87.3 cents during May. Average weekly earnings in the bituminous coal industry in May were found to be \$28.62.

Bituminous coal mine workers, according to preliminary reports, averaged a total of 195 days employment in 1941, which was 19 more days than in 1940.

Coal gives a \$1100 to 20 persons for every 1000 tons produced and shipped annually.

COAL PRODUCTION.
Bituminous coal production in the United States for the week ended August 1st was estimated around 13,000,000 net tons or about 87.5 per cent of the present mining capacity.