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INJURIES DECLINING DESPITE 'BOOM' IN DEFENSE INDUSTRY

Anthracite Industry Reports the Largest Number of Deaths; Bituminous Is Next

Industrial injuries in the "booming" defense plants of Pennsylvania are on the decrease despite continual stepped-up production, the Labor and Industry Department reports.

A report compiled by the department's research bureau for August disclosed a "slight decrease" in the number of industrial injuries recorded during the month. A total of 12,337 mishaps, 130 fatal, were reported for the period.

Largest number of deaths—29—was reported by anthracite mine operators while iron and steel companies and bituminous coal mines reported 14 fatalities each. In general construction fields only 13 workers lost their lives.

Railway, mine and quarry vehicles were involved in 17 of the deaths; motor vehicles in 15. Electrical apparatus killed 10 workers; chemicals, 9, and machines, 8.

"In spite of an increase of more than four per cent in exposure hours during August," Bureau Director Margaret M. Memmert said, "the number of industrial injury reports during the month decreased slightly. Although this decrease does not take into account the reporting lag, there is still some encouragement in the fact that accidents did not continue their upward trend."

The over-all picture for the first 8 months of 1941, however, was less encouraging. During that period there were 14,142 more accidents than were recorded in the corresponding period last year—an increase of 19.5 per cent and officials expected an accident increase.

Of the August injuries, 242 resulted in permanent partial disability, including 182 cases of dismemberment, 23 "loss of use" cases, and 32 facial disfigurements. Serious injuries also included 111 lost fingers and toes and 100 mine accidents about half of the disfigurements.

Major causes of the accidents were overcrowding, crowding or "poor arrangement," the report showed.

GREEN AGAIN CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF A. F. L.

William Green was again elected the President of the American Federation of Labor at the 61st Convention of the A. F. of L. held in Seattle, Washington, last week.

A pledge and demand that the A. F. of L. wipe out labor racketeering with in the ranks of its central bodies was contained in a resolution unanimously adopted without debate at the second last day of the sessions.

During the convention sessions George E. Browne, head of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, was voted out of his office as an A. F. of L. President. A few minutes later President Green and 12 other vice presidents were re-elected unanimously. Browne is now on trial in New York City on charges of extortion.

Secretary of Internal Affairs Unable to Be at Borough Council Gathering on Friday

William S. Livergood Jr. of Somerset, state secretary of internal affairs, was unable to attend the semi-annual dinner and meeting of the Cambria County Association of Borough Councils, which was held Friday evening in St. Thomas Episcopal Church Parsonage in Harrisburg.

More than 150 members of borough councils in 19 boroughs were in attendance at the meeting, which was in charge of G. Martin Fox, of Southmont. It was announced that 36 of the 32 boroughs in the county hold membership in the organization.

An effort will be made to enroll the other six boroughs before the next dinner meeting on April 16 in Westmont.

Charles Wilson, past president of the association, outlined various activities of the State Association of the Borough Councils.

The address of welcome was delivered by Richard H. Steele of Harrisburg. Rev. J. E. Jackson was in charge of devotions. Vocal selections were rendered by Jackie Morley, accompanied by Betty June Houch of Harrisburg at the piano.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends, neighbors, and relatives for their kindness and sympathy shown during our recent bereavement, the illness and death of our wife and mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Long, and also for the use of cars—Elder T. Long and Family.

MINERS, OPERATORS IN SECOND DISTRICT REACH AGREEMENT

New Contract Will Remain in Effect as long as Appalachian Wage Agreement

A sub-committee representing the United Mine Workers of America, District 2, and Central Pennsylvania Coal Operators have announced that Friday night they agreed on a contract supplement to the Appalachian wage agreement.

Disclosure of terms was withheld pending a ratification meeting of the joint scale committee at Altoona on Wednesday of this week. The agreement will remain in effect until the 1st of April, 1943.

District 2 covers approximately 50,000 miners in the following counties—Clearfield, Cambria, Somerset, Indiana, Jefferson, Armstrong, Elk, Clarion, Tioga, Centre, Bedford, Cameron, Huntingdon, and a part of Fayette.

The principal issues in the negotiations begun last July were a penalty clause fining miners \$1 a day for unauthorized strikes; the operators' attempt to increase rent on company-owned houses; and eligibility of the miners to receive vacation pay.

In the final stages of the negotiations the operators were represented by Charles O'Neil and W. C. Farnsworth, and the miners by James M. Waters, president of District No. 2, and Edward Sweeney, secretary-treasurer.

FIRE TOWERS MANNED TO CHECK OUTBREAKS

Cooperation of Farmers Sought in Effort to Cut Timber Loss During Fall Season

Closely-knit lines of forest fire prevention and control have been drawn up for the Allegheny District, one of the three adjoining counties.

Charles E. Zerby, district forester for the Department of Forests and Waters says that all of the 11 towers located at strategic points throughout the district are being manned with inspectors, wardens and patrolmen alert for any outbreak.

The fall fire season is arriving at a later date than it did in previous years as the long growing season kept the foliage green and moist and thus reduced the hazard of outbreaks.

From now until snow covers the ground, weather conditions will be the principal factor in determining whether the forestry department is to have a comparatively light job or whether it will experience another busy season such as the one last spring. The number of fires which occur during the remainder of the season will be proportionate with the amount of rain that falls.

In preparation for the fall season Zerby announces the names of the inspectors and towermen who will function in the Cambria area.

Northern Cambria and Clearfield—Inspectors: Chas. B. Bowman, Glasgow; towermen: St. Lawrence, Albon Gill, Patton, and Lost Mountain, J. C. Homer, Glasgow.

Southern Cambria—Inspector: Lawrence Cameron, Johnstown; towermen: Lower Foder, Joseph Vasil, of Johnstown; Hosteln, Albert Haveren, Dunlo, and Findleton, Ralph Miller, Ebensburg.

Forester Zerby also named Morgan Westover of LaJone R. D. 1 and D. DeAngelis of Dysart as emergency patrolmen.

Republican Rally to Be Held Friday in Patton Moose Hall

The Northern Cambria Republican Club will stage two rallies, one on Friday evening, October 24, at 8:00 o'clock, in the Moose Hall at Patton, and the other in the Union Hall at Barnesboro on Monday evening, October 27, at 8:00 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Prominent speakers and entertainment will be features of the Rally. The Republican candidates who are seeking election have been invited.

Joseph F. Guffey Not Seeking Governorship

Senator Joseph F. Guffey has announced that he does not expect to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor next year.

"I favor an open primary," the U. S. Senator asserted when asked about reports that he might decide to run. "Right now, I'm not for anyone for Governor. Nor am I against anyone."

"But I am in favor of repealing the Neutrality Act."

Guffey held a three-hour conference with Joseph Wagner, Erie County Democratic chairman, and other party leaders.

Annual "Mummers" Parade on Halloween Eve in Patton

The Patton Chamber of Commerce and the Patton Fire Company will again sponsor a mummers parade this year.

Halloween Evening, Friday, October 31, has been designated as the date and the parade will form at the corner of Beech and N. Fifth Avenues to begin at 7:00 p. m. sharp.

This is an opportunity for the people of Patton and the entire Patton Community to turn out for a big evening of excitement. Many adults as well as children are expected in the procession and the committee guarantees plenty of prizes for all kinds of funny make-ups and costumes. Horns and noise makers of all kinds will be distributed to the school children.

Arrange now to take part in this big celebration, so you don't miss your share of the fun and excitement.

DEMOCRATIC RALLY AT LOCAL FIRE HALL ON FRIDAY EVENING

Candidates for County Offices as Well as Others Listed as Speakers

Democrats of the north of the county will open their campaign Friday night of this week when a rally will be staged in the Firemen's Hall, Patton, starting at 8 o'clock.

This rally is intended to cover all the communities in the northeastern section, such as the adjoining townships, Chest Springs, St. Lawrence, St. Augustine, Ashville, Dean and Dysart.

The issues of the campaign will be discussed by the two democratic nominees for Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County, the Hon. John H. McCann and Attorney Randolph Myers; by the Democratic nominee for Sheriff, "Pat" Farrel, and other outstanding speakers.

The rally's promoters invite all voters to come. Remember the place is the Firemen's Hall, Patton, and the time is 8 o'clock on Friday evening of this week.

Firemen Ask Arrest of Apparatus-Following Drivers

A resolution calling for the arrest of all motorists who follow fire apparatus to fires was adopted at a meeting of Zone 1 of the Cambria County Volunteer Firemen's Association last Thursday night in Cherry Tree Fire Hall.

In adopting the resolution firemen pointed out that motorists following fire apparatus have caused traffic jams and hindered the work of firemen as well as endanger their own and firemen's lives.

Zone 1 is composed of fire companies in Cherry Tree, Patton, Carrolltown, Spangler, Barnesboro, Clymer and Hastings. Ralph Hetrick, the zone president, was in charge of the meeting.

A lunch was served by the Ladies Auxiliary of Cherry Tree Company. The next meeting will be held in January in Hastings.

Ralph J. Binder Is Nominee for Barnesboro Tax Collector

Ralph J. Binder, clerk at Binder Bros. Hardware Store, Barnesboro, at the primary election, received the Democratic nomination for tax collector of Barnesboro Borough. Mr. Binder is a graduate of the Barnesboro High School and later from the Eastman National Business College of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He solicits the vote and support of the voters of Barnesboro and promises to fill the duties of the office to the best of his ability. (Political Adv.)

District 6, State Educational Association, Meets Tuesday

Miss Naomi Leonard of Gallitzin was elected president of District 6, Pennsylvania, State Educational Association at a district meeting held Tuesday evening in Ashville Public School. Other officers named were: Stephen Hovan, Patton, 1st vice president; Albert O'Connor, 2nd vice president, and Miss Mary McCann, Gallitzin, secretary-treasurer.

Frederick Korman, Dean Twp, was elected delegate to the state convention in Harrisburg last December, and D. F. Litzinger, Patton, was named as alternate.

County nominees for president selected were John I. Barnard, Patton, and Frank Congrove, vice president.

The program featured vocal selections by a trio from Patton High School; a trio from Carrolltown High School, and the Barty Trio from Gallitzin.

SPANGLER SAILOR IS REPORTED MISSING ON TORPEDOED BOAT

Seaman Iral William Stoltz May Be First Enlisted Victim of Present World War II

First import that war in Europe sooner or later will strike down manhood of Cambria County was felt here with the receipt of a grim message Sunday by a Spangler woman, Mrs. Mary Stoltz, mother of an American seaman.

It was learned last week that Iral William Stoltz of Spangler, an enlisted man in the U. S. Navy, was aboard the U. S. S. Kearney when the destroyer was attacked by a submarine early Friday morning in Atlantic waters.

Dispelling earlier hopes that Stoltz was aboard the destroyer which was making port after being torpedoed near Iceland, was this message received by the man's mother Sunday:

"The Navy Department regrets to inform the family of Iral W. Stoltz that he is reported missing due to the torpedoing of the Kearney. We will keep you informed."

Mrs. Stoltz, mother of the Spangler miner who was serving his second enlistment in the Navy, knew of her son's presence on the Kearney, having received a letter from him—the missive reaching Spangler Friday, the same day the torpedo found its mark.

Seaman Stoltz, born December 21, 1904, worked in coal mines in Spangler area for a number of years. In April, 1924, he enlisted in the Navy and served four years, returning to dig coal at Spangler for a number of years. Stoltz answered the call of his country again by enlisting for his 2nd "hitch" July 18, 1940. His father, John R. Stoltz, died early in 1941.

Brothers and sisters of the seaman reported "missing" are Harry Stoltz, Spangler; Robert Stoltz, Baltimore; Mrs. LaRue Tyler, Hastings; LaVanda Stoltz, Cecil Stoltz, Mrs. Vivian Feighner and Alan Stoltz, all of Spangler.

Friday night of this week the Patton town will play at Barnesboro. Several hundred students and fans are expected to witness the football game between the two high school teams. The game was originally scheduled to have been played on Saturday night, but because of the weather conditions was postponed until Monday.

As predicted by observers the two teams were very evenly matched—in fact the final score was just the same as that tallied before the two teams played. It was a scoreless tie.

The new Carrolltown High School has put on quite a show at the hall for their Patton guests.

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HUNTERS NEED NOT BE REVOLVER OWNER TO APPLY FOR USE

A ruling that a hunter or a fisherman need not be the owner of a revolver to use it for sports purposes was received recently by the County Treasurer, Emelyn Jones, from Chas. E. Stanbaugh, chief law enforcement clerk of the Pennsylvania Game Commission. Dr. Jones was requested to issue a registration for a revolver to a young man who declared that the firearm belonged to his father.

The law not being concise on the question, Mr. Jones requested a ruling from the game commission.

Mr. Stanbaugh declared in his letter to Dr. Jones "that one need not be the owner of a revolver in order to register it for hunting; purposes so long as he follows the legal procedure for such registration."

The applicant register the revolver, however, must apply in person to the county treasurer in the county in which the hunting or fishing license is issued. He must state his name and address, number of the gun, the make and caliber. The revolver in addition to being used for hunting or fishing purposes, may also be used in the training of dogs."

Citizenship Papers Presented at Barnesboro to Forty-Two

A program was held at 8 o'clock last Thursday evening in the Yodank American Legion Home in Barnesboro in honor of 42 new citizens. Certificates of 42 men and women who recently were naturalized.

The certificates were presented by Probationary John L. Hite, Attorney Arnold Smoot of Barnesboro delivered an address. The Americanization committee of the County Legion also participated in the ceremony.

Carrolltown Couple Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Feighner of Carrolltown were dinner guests on Sunday, the occasion marking their 50th wedding anniversary. The date of the anniversary was Monday, but the observance was held on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Feighner are descendants of two of Carrolltown's pioneer families. Mr. Feighner is a son of Charles and Sophia Feighner, and was born July 23, 1867. His wife, the former Frances Campbell, is a daughter of Peter and Jane Campbell, and was born February 24, 1869.

Mr. and Mrs. Feighner were married October 20, 1892. Attending were Miss Jennie Campbell and Philip Lutzinger, who also were later united in marriage.

DEMOCRATIC PARTY STARTS DRIVE FOR VOTES WITH RALLY

Judge Musmanno Makes Address at Key Meeting Staged in Johnstown Sunday

Forcing a man to vote in order to retain his right of franchise is depriving him of his liberty and freedom of choice, Judge M. A. Musmanno, nominee for Superior Court, told a large audience at the Democratic Rally Sunday afternoon in Johnstown.

In making the declaration against forced voting, Musmanno lashed out in no uncertain terms at his Republican opponent, Judge Charles E. Kenworthy, who told a Uniontown audience recently that "a man who failed to vote at three elections should be deprived of his citizenship."

Musmanno was the keynote speaker for the Democratic Rally in Johnstown which opened the "home stretch" campaign for the Democratic candidate for Supreme Court, Superior Court and Cambria County offices.

Judge Musmanno termed Kenworthy's statement "a most fearful declaration and one fraught with danger to our constitutional rights, a torpedo aimed at the liberties we hold most dear."

He said in part: "Judge Kenworthy's statement in this particular instance reveals an intolerance and autocratic bent of mind which should never go with anyone—least of all a judge."

Judge Musmanno said this year's election is important to Democrats for the reason that it is a forerunner of next year's election of a Governor. He said now is the time to register your protests against Governor James and his many broken promises.

Judge Musmanno further stated: "I ask you to vote for the Democrats, candidates because our party stands for prosperity for all and not for a few. The Democratic Party stands for protection of the savings banks, protection of the working man, protection of the widow and the orphan."

Judge A. A. Nelson presided at the enthusiastic rally and urged a full turnout of voters to assure a 100 per cent conquest at November 4 polls.

Speakers included Judge John H. McCann and Randolph Myers, candidates for Common Pleas Court; Pat Farrel, candidate for sheriff, and others.

FIRE TOWERMEN WILL REPORT PLANES SEEN

Secretary G. Albert Stewart of the Department of Forests and Waters, announces that the 145 observation towers in Pennsylvania have been made available to the U. S. Aircraft Warning Service in connection with the National Defense program.

These towers are distributed throughout the State at strategic points on high mountains. The exact location together with local names are shown on maps which have been forwarded to the office of the Inter-County Commander at Mitchell, Pa., Mr. Y. Each towerman will be given a special training with respect to reporting by telephone or radio, any airplanes he may see or hear near his tower. The main purpose of this training, at the present time, is to be ready should an emergency arise.

The forest fire observation towers are of steel construction, sixty to eighty feet in height, and are connected by special telephone lines with the headquarters of District Foresters and Forest Rangers. Many of them are used as landmarks by pilots and on some of them beacon lights have been placed so that they can be located at night. The Negro Mountain tower in Somerset County has a ground elevation of 3,190 feet.

No Cigarette Shortage, U. S. Assures Smokers

The Commerce Department at Washington assures smokers that cigarette rationing won't be necessary as the result of a cessation of cigarette paper imports from France, once the chief supplier.

There is and will be an ample supply of cigarette paper manufactured in this country from flax straw grown mostly in California and Minnesota.

COUNTY AWARDS CONTRACTS

Contracts for providing the furnishings for installing the heating plant at the new Cambria County Home chapel have been awarded by county commissioners, which will be open for use by all denominations by Christmas. It is being constructed by the WPA.

The Press-Courier will buy clean, cotton eggs. Must be without blemish.