

WEEKLY HEALTH TALK

We are reasonably familiar with the Solomon Islands, the Dodecanese Islands and the Thousand Islands.

But where are the Islands of Langerhans?

The islands of Langerhans are a cluster of small cells in the pancreas, a digestive organ of the human body.

Many organs of the body manufacture hormones, chemical substances which aid in the proper functioning of other organs.

In addition there are organs designed solely for the purpose of producing hormones.

These hormones exert a profound influence on the physical appearance, on physiological processes, and on mental and emotional manifestations of every individual.

A source of hormones are the endocrine glands.

They are ductless glands and deliver their secretions directly into the blood stream.

Chief gland is the pituitary, located in the base of the skull, which controls size and growth of the body.

Other glands in the endocrine chain include the thyroid, the adrenals, the parathyroids, and the sex glands.

Endocrinology: The study of the internal secretions.

Endocrinologist: A worker in the subject of endocrinology or a physician who treats diseases arising from disordered internal secretions.

Endocrinopath: A person with disorder of the glands of internal secretion.

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BREAD GLADDENS SICILIANS



Once more there's bread to be had in Trapani since the Allies took over. The smiles of this Sicilian housewife and boy show how welcome it is. In an island rich with food products, natives went hungry until freedom came. Signal Corps radiophoto.

STATE DEFERS STUDY OF SOLDIERS' BONUS

While state officials made plans last week to welcome Pennsylvania's returning servicemen with jobs, no study has been authorized on bonuses for the veterans.

Speaker of the House Ira T. Fiss, chairman of the Joint State Government Commission, which is making numerous surveys for legislative recommendations, to the 1945 General Assembly, asserted that no study for soldier bonuses was being undertaken by the state, although there may be some by private groups or individuals.

Attempts by legislators during the last session to provide bonuses for World War II veterans were shelved in committee. Robert Frey, director of the Legislative Reference Bureau,

explained that a constitutional amendment authorizing the state to float a bond issue would be necessary to secure bonus funds "because we couldn't raise the money which would be needed by taxation." He added, "many millions of dollars would be required."

PEAS.

A total of 17,900 acres have been planted in green peas for processing this year in Pennsylvania. This is an increase of 2,600 acres over last year according to surveys by the State Department of Agriculture.

At any rate the political candidates themselves are taking an interest in the coming primary and election. But the rest of the folks are a bit more engrossed in winning the war.

RECENT DEATHS

Leo W. Cretin.

Leo W. Cretin, aged 48 years, a well known Northern Cambria County farmer, died on Tuesday morning after an extended illness. He was born on August 27th, 1895, in Clearfield township, a son of John and Anna (Kessler) Cretin. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Anna (Horne) Cretin and five children—Joseph, Bernard Isadore, Mary and Paul, all at home. The deceased was a brother of Lawrence Cretin of Dysart, R. D., and Mrs. Mary Plunkett Ches. Springs. The funeral services will be held at nine o'clock on Friday morning in St. Augustine's Catholic Church at St. Augustine, by the Rev. Father John O'Toole and burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Vincent Meloy.

Vincent Meloy, aged 80 years, a well known farmer of the Chest Springs section, died at 6:40 o'clock on Wednesday morning of this week, after a brief illness. A son of Patrick and Bridget (McLade) Meloy, he was born in Chest Springs on September 18, 1862. His wife and daughter, Olive, are dead. Surviving are a sister Mrs. Ella Mellon, Johnstown, and three children—Walter, with the United States Forces in North Africa; Mildred and Gerald, both residing at home. Funeral services will be conducted at nine o'clock on Saturday morning in St. Monica's Catholic church at Chest Springs, by the Rev. Father Padden pastor, and interment will be in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Louisa Cochran.

Mrs. Louisa (Wilkinson) Cochran, aged 66 years, of Patton, died last Thursday night in the Miners Hospital at Spangler, where she had submitted to an appendicitis operation. She was born on June 30th, 1877, in England, a daughter of Joseph and Alice (Stopp) Wilkinson, and had been a resident of Patton for 59 years. In addition to her husband, she is survived by nine children—John W., Johnstown; Mrs. Norman Swisher, Patton; Mrs. Fred Dreher, Pittsburgh; Jesse, Johnstown; Mrs. William Peacock, Mobile, Alabama; Mrs. Arnold Yesko, Pitcairn; Mrs. Mildred Dishart, Johnstown; Sgt. Curtis, stationed in India; and Sgt. Jack, stationed in Texas. She was a sister of Joseph Wilkinson, Patton; Mrs. Eliza Lee, Patton; and Mrs. Walter Sherwin, Glen Campbell. Mrs. Cochran was a member of the Patton American Legion Auxiliary and of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Funeral services were conducted at one o'clock on Monday afternoon at the Cochran home by the Rev. Thomas, pastor of the Episcopal church. The funeral cortege left immediately after the services for Forest Lawn Cemetery near Johnstown, where additional services were conducted in the chapel there.

Sister Mary Austin Wills.

Sister Mary Austin (Wills), 63, of the Sisters of Mercy, died on Monday morning in the Mount Aloysius Junior College, Cresson, after a prolonged illness. She was born Sept. 1, 1879, in Ashville, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Wills, and was a descendant of Capt. Michael McGuire, early Loretto settler.

Sister Mary Austin attended the Ashville grade schools and then entered the novitiate of the Sisters of Mercy, then located in Loretto. During her 45 years as a Sister of Mercy she served in numerous schools in the Altoona diocese as well as in Butler.

When the Mercy Hospital opened in Johnstown in 1911 Sister Mary Austin was one of the first who served there. Throughout her religious career she was always conspicuous for her great interest in the poor and sick and in seeking out the needy ones, it was said at Mount Aloysius.

Surviving are three sisters—Mrs. P. W. Finn, Mapleton Depot, Huntington county; Mrs. Harriet Leix and Mrs. F. X. Leix, both of Avalon, Pittsburgh.

Funeral services were held in the Convent chapel at Cresson on Wednesday morning and interment was in the College cemetery.

HASTINGS COUPLE WEDDED SIXTY YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Warfield of Hastings, celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary recently. They were married in Houtzdale and resided there for a time before taking up their residence in Hastings. The couple were tendered a reception given by the Ladies' Aid of the Methodist Church, Hastings. Special music was provided by the Campbell Studio choir and orchestra.

Mr. Warfield, who is 81, has been a member of the Odd Fellows' lodge for 51 years. The couple has 20 grand children and six great-grandchildren.

AUGUST NOVENA AT CARMEL. The eighth monthly novena in honor of St. Therese, "The Little Flower," will open at the Carmelite Monastery at Loretto, on Sunday, August 22nd, and close on Monday, August 30th, at 4 p. m. During each Novena special intentions are made for peace and for all those who are serving their country. Many names have been sent to the Carmel to be included in the Novenas and the prayers of the Carmelite nuns. All other intentions recommended will also be included. The next novena to be announced will be the Solemn Novena in preparation for the Feast of St. Therese. Please address all petitions to the Carmelite Monastery, Loretto, Pa.



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