

AN ATTAINMENT OF THE LARGEST GENERAL WEEKLY NEWSPAPAER CIRCULATION IN CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

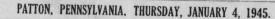
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## U. M. W. of A. Scale Committee Sessions To Be Held In Altoona February 2-3; For District No. 2

With selection of representatives to the important national scale and policy committee heading the agenda, plans for the biennial convention of District 2, of the United Mine Work-ers of America were anounced Wed-nesday by James Mark, district pres-ident. ident

More than 200 delegates, represent-ing 198 local mine unions and approx-imately 38,000 district workers will meet on February 2 and 3 in the Ea-gles' hall at Altona to elect scale reesentatives and transact other bus-

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John L, Lewis, who has guided the destinies of the mine union for more than a quarter century, will be ask-ed to attend the convention, President Mark said. Should press of business prevent the colordu national union leader from attending the sessions, he will be requested to send a represen-tative from the international office. At the last district convention held in 1943, John O'Leary internation-al vice president of the UMWA at-tended. With termination of the mine contract only three months away, the district session takes on added prom-inence.

inence. Four committeemen will be elect-ed from the rank and file of the un-ion locals to participate in charting a course for the forthcoming wage negotiations with the operators. The national policy committee will meet sometime in February and will draft wage and working demands in ac-cordance with instructions of the Sentember international convention

No. 2—Huntingdon, Bedford, Blair Somerset and Fayette Cos. No. 3—Clarion, Jefferson, Arm-strong and Elk Cos. No. 4—Cambria Co. Scale committeemen named at the last convention were William Dem-boscky, Michael Punchak. Arnoid Ga-belli and Sam Burns. President Mark also appounded ho

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## **AREA SHIVERS IN ANOTHER STORM**

Bitter, sub zero cold struck Cambria County early this week and gusts of wind whipped up drifts that kept many roads closed and communities isolated for some time, and countless form hence farm homes

Tarm nomes. Blinding gales of Monday night's blizzard subsided Tuesday morning and temperatures remained near zero throughout the day and started to dip sharply on Tuesday evening.

Many rural roads in Northern Cam-bria are reported still closed while highway crews work to keep main routes passable. The State Highway department reported 2 inches of snow to have fallen in Cambria County on Tuesday. Batton was isolated as Mark

Tuesday. Patton was isolated on Monday night until Tuesday afternoon when highway plows opened the Patton-Carrolltown road. The Patton-Has-tings road was still closed Wednes-day afternoon and the Patton-Chest day afternoon and the Patton-Chest

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Pvt. Francis A. Nelen, the nineteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelen of Nicktown R. D., was killed in action on December 5th, while in the fighting in Germany, according to war department information sent-his parents.

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boro. The inquest was conducted by Cor-oner Patrick McDermott in the office of Justice of the Peace David A: Westover of Barneaboro. Kuzna was injured fatally or Christmas night when he was struck by a car operated by Heinman. The accident occured on a street in Bar-nesboro. Testimony showed that it was snowing heavily at the time and that visibility was very poor. Members of the jury were D: A. Mestover, R. H. Greenwood, H: T. Hershberger, R. L: Struble and John Valenty. SHOE STAMPS WILL NOT BE CANCELLED NOT BE CANCELLED

### PATTON SERGEANT MARTIN NAMES NEW HAD EXPERIENCES IN 40 MONTHS AWAY

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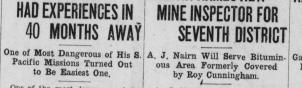
One of the most dangerous of the many dangerous missions on which Staff Sergeant William Gresko Patton was sent during his service in the south Pacific, turned out to be the easiest one. The enemy made a slight mistake in estimating the sit-patrol routed a much larger force of Japs. The infantryman told of the exper-tience, which was also one of his clo-sest brushes with death, when he re-turned to the United States after more than 40 months overseas. "It was after our outfit landed in Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea," the sergeant explained, in an interview One of the most dangerous of the

Hollandia, Dutch New Guinea," the sergeant explained, in an interview released by the War Department Bu-reau of Public Relations on Tuesday of this week. "I was assigned to a 10-man patrol which was to go to Dormea and make a landing there. This was about 30 miles up the beach from our original landing. "The Durpose of our patrol was to

Carrolitown road. The Patton-Has-tings road was still closed Wedness-day afternoon and the Patton-Chest Springs road was opened Wednesday morning. Highway crews were hampered by the breakdown of equipment inclu-ding the large rotary plow that had been used in clearing deep drifts on north county roads. Most rural schools were the second sec

SUPERVISORS WILL HAVE ANNUAL MEET

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A: J. Nairn of Johnstown Friday

The new state mine inspector is a veteran of nearly 30 years in the coal industry. A native of the Houtzdale district, Mr. Nairn began his coal ca-reer in Johnstown as a fire boss at the Franklin No. 2 mine of the Cam-bria Steel Company. He was stationed from 1012 to 1000

bria Steel Company. He was stationed from 1916 to 1920 on a rescue car of the U. S. Bureau of mines and in January, 1941, was named senior inspector with the bu-reau in charge of Greene and Fay-ette Counties. He remained with the U. S. Bureau of Mines until May when he was named an acting in-spector with the state department. He is a brother of Patrick Nairn, well known in the district, who for-merly served as deputy secretary of mines. Patrick Nairn is now safety inspector for the H. C. Frick Coal Company at Uniontown. As inspector ar the seventh dist-

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tour times as much as average. These figures are not interpreted by coal operators to mean that there is plenty of coal to be used with the careless abandon with which we used to burn it. Rationing, on the present basis, presumably will con-tinue to be necessary for some time. But certainly there is nothing in the situation to warrant the dire pro-pleases of the SPAW seet summer, when a huge shortage and "the worst coal crisis in American history" were talked about for this winter.

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**BERNARD WALTERS** 

GETS BRONZE STAR the Fifth Army Italy con With the Fifth Army, Italy.—Cor-poral Bernard W. Walters of Patton, Pa., recently was awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service with Lt. General Mark W. Clark's Fifth Ar-**BOY SCOUTS PLAN** 

my in Italy. The action for which the Corporal

The action for which the Corporal was decorated took place near Loi-ano, Italy, on October 6, 1944. Walters, wounded by enemy shell fragments, nevertheless successfully drove his vehicle away from a burn-ing truck loaded with exploding am-munition and took several wounded men to a hospital. He has been aw-arded the Furple Heart for combat wounds. Dates were set and plans outlined for a series of winter and summer outdoor activities for troops of the Adm. Robert E. Peary Council, Boy Scouts of America, during a meeting of Council leaders last Thursday ev-ening in Johnstour

Walters' unit has been in continu-ous combat in Italy for 138 days. It made the D day landings at Salerno, cal days. It is executive secretary of the coun-respondence of the countries of the secretary of the coun-cal also fought at the beachhead ar-sund Anzlo.

More Than Thirty-Seven Million

Tons Are Mined Over Last Year's Record Output.

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