

### Cambria Co.'s Crime Rate Doubles in Past Two Years

#### 712 Criminal Cases Alone During 1947

Crime in Cambria Co. has nearly doubled in the past two years, according to the annual report of J. Dean Joy, Clerk of the Cambria County Courts.

Year-end figures for 1947 showed a sharp rise over the preceding 12 months. During the four quarters of 1947 a total of 712 cases were completed in the Cambria Co. Courts. The figure compares with 372 in 1946, 373 in 1945 and 283 in 1944.

During the past 12 months, 540 defendants were sentenced by the courts as compared with 468 in 1946. A total of 507 pleaded guilty to criminal offenses, 32 were found guilty by juries and one was convicted by the courts.

Juries acquitted 26 defendants and 146 cases were dismissed by the court. A large number of dismissals is attributed to the fact that District Attorney Stevens Mayer retired from office on Monday after serving 12 years in that capacity. Many of the dis-

missals are cases in which the defendant named in the information has not been apprehended. However, some of the cases may be reopened by the new district attorney, Samuel R. DiFrancesco, if he so desires.

Of the 540 persons sentenced, 117 were given terms in the county jail at Ebensburg and 23 were sent to state prisons. Other sentences were: Probation or suspended sentence, 86; fine or costs only, 90; support orders, 202; work orders, 2; peace bonds, 17; other sentences, 3.

Heading the list of offenses were non-support or neglect cases numbering 233. Morality offenses of all types were next with 108. Both figures show an increase over the 1946 totals for these offenses.

Five murder cases and three manslaughter cases were completed. Other cases completed were: Robbery, 7; aggravated assault and battery, 28; minor assault, 45; burglary, 46; larceny, 39; automobile thefts, 13; embezzlement and forgery and counterfeiting, 6; and fraud, 9; receiving stolen goods, 1; carrying deadly

weapons, 7; violation of liquor laws, 12; driving motor vehicle while intoxicated, 15; other motor code violations, 23; disorderly conduct and vagrancy, 2; gambling, 2; blackmail, 1; resisting an officer, 7; violation of public assistance act, 2; surety of the peace, 31; maiming domestic animals, 2; miscellaneous, 5.

### Arctic War Warning Given by Col. Kane

War in the Arctic would favor the side with the "warmest suits" and the most "reliable engines," an Army expert on fighting conditions in the Far North stated this week.

Col. Paul V. Kane, commanding officer of Task Force Frigid in Alaska last winter, predicts in Military Review that if war comes to the Arctic, it will be in the form of an air attack.

But before any nation risks war in the Far North, it will have good equipment and well-trained cold weather fighters. "No military force will tarry in the Arctic any longer than is necessary," Col. Kane says.

"It will probably leave sufficient forces to protect its lines of communications and then hurry on to its main objective further south."

"The best way to stop an air invasion through the Arctic," he continues, "is to throw a deep air block in the way of the enemy."

"This requires a warning net and intelligence organization of the most dependable sorts."

### Returning Vets' Rush for Licenses On Decline in '47

Dan Cupid's little bow and arrow failed to hit the mark as often as it did in 1946.

That, at least, was the case in this district. Last year 600 less couples marched to the altar than in the previous year.

Records show Mr. Cupid hit the target 3,636 times in the 3 county area last year as compared with 4,236 "bulls-eyes" in 1946.

As the marriages declined so did the divorces. According to court records 50 less couples were separated legally last year than in 1946 in the three counties.

In 1947 the courts issued 455 divorces as compared to 505 the previous year. A quick glance at the figures shows that there was about one divorce for every eight weddings during the year just ended.

Court authorities said desertion was the principal cause for divorces granted last year with cruel and barbarous treatment as the second most prevalent cause. Figures released by Cambria County Register of Wills Michael J. Hartnett showed marriage licenses dropped about 10 per cent last year. During the past 12 months 2,228 licenses were issued as compared to 2,515 in 1946 which was the biggest marriage license year in the history of the county.

Despite the general slump, June was the biggest single month in the last two years in Cambria County. A total of 320 licenses were issued last June, 24 more than the 296 recorded in June, 1946.

Divorce decrees granted last year were down slightly from the previous year. The court granted 31 divorces in December to bring the total for the year to 281, which was less than the even 300 approved in 1946.

### Mrs. Catherine Milchak Expires at Hastings

Mrs. Catherine Milchak, 52, of Hastings passed away at 5:40 a. m. on Tuesday of this week. She was born Sept. 30, 1895, in Czechoslovakia, a daughter of John and Catherine (Garcar) Bendzella. She was a member of the Rosary Confraternity and First Catholic Slovak Union 393, Hastings.

Surviving are her husband, Anthony Milchak, and these children: Joseph, Pittsburgh; John, Stephen, Mrs. Walter Depto, Mrs. Leo Tomallo, all of Hastings; James and Dorothy, both at the parental home. She was a sister of Mrs. Mary Garcar, Struthers, O.; Mrs. Elizabeth Serafin, Mrs. Anna Bassista, both of Hastings; Mrs. Julia Roche, Pittsburgh.

There also are nine grandchildren surviving. Funeral services will be held at 9 a. m. Saturday in St. Bernard's Catholic Church, with a requiem high mass by Rev. Father Raymond Balke. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

### Marriage Licenses

Frederick Solomon and Irene Christoff, both of Patton, Frank J. Marana, St. Benedict, and Elizabeth I. Gray, Carrolltown, Raymond Duman, Johnstown R. D. 2, and Kathleen Nelen, Nicktown.

### 144 in Nation Lose Lives Over Holidays

Accidents on the Nation's highways, railroads and "thru" from other varied causes took 144 lives over the New Year's holiday.

One hundred and ten persons were killed in automobile and railroad mishaps and 34 in other accidental violence between 6 p. m. Wednesday and midnight on Thursday.

Pennsylvania had the highest number of traffic deaths, 13; Texas had 8, Illinois 7 and California and Ohio 6 each.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish, in this manner, to thank all those who assisted us in any way during our recent bereavement, the illness and death of our wife, mother, and daughter, Mrs. George Cunningham; also for the Spiritual and Floral offerings and for the use of automobiles.

Geo. Cunningham and Family Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Yeckley and Family

### Hershel Rummel, Spangler, Injured at Barnes' 15 Mine

Hershel Rummel, 42-year-old Spangler coal miner, was admitted to the Miners' Hospital at Spangler on Friday afternoon for treatment of a crushed hand.

Mr. Rummel was at work in the Barnes & Tucker Mine at Bakerton when the member was injured. It was caught between a machine and a mine prop.

### Such a Tongue We Have

In 1942 a Frenchman in New York was learning English. Finally he mastered the difference in sound between "ough," "ough," "ough," "ough," and "thorough." He was filled with glee, because he knew there couldn't be a tougher obstacle in any language.

But riding home from his lesson he saw a theatre-story heading which stunned him. He closed his

eyes, then looked again. It still head the same, and his exultation turned to despair.

The heading was: "Oklahoma pronounced success."

### IS KICKED BY HORSE

Christopher Wesner, 67, of Spangler R. D. suffered a fractured pelvis on Monday when he was kicked by a horse while at work on the farm of E. P. Dumm near Cherry Tree. He was admitted to the Miners' Hospital.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all those who assisted us in any way during our recent bereavement, the death of our daughter and sister, Dorothy Mae Dietrick; also for the Spiritual bouquets and floral offerings and for the use of cars at the funeral.—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dietrick and Family.

### TO MARK ANNIVERSARY

Rev. Father Joseph A. Banik, pastor of St. John the Baptist's

### Catholic Church, Barnesboro, will mark the 25th anniversary of his ordination on Feb. 24.

### LOTS OF MOTORISTS

In 1947, it is estimated that 51,000,000 persons in the United States took trips in 16,000,000 automobiles and spent \$6,000,000,000 on gasoline, repairs, lodging and other traveling incidentals.

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