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Behind the Flood Control News

The Patton Boro officials are to be commended for the effort they have been putting forth for months in endeavoring to get a flood project for Patton—and a real one, not a half-way measure, is nearing the point where the project soon will be advertised for bids. However, the project still has to gain the final approval of the state officials.

Due to request from the State Dept. of Forests & Waters, details of the plan were not announced until this week in a special release to this paper by the department. The reproduction of the proposed plan published in this issue was made up several weeks ago, but the story was held up awaiting word from the department.

Under the plan Patton should be free of all flood worries for years to come. In addition to the dredging and building of levees along Chest Creek from the Water Works Dam to a point near the Patton Dump, the entire stream will be relocated and shortened from a point beside the Patton Athletic Field to the railroad bridge. This latter fact makes impossible a completed plan as to the exact location of all the new facilities at the new stadium until the flood control project is definitely approved. Locations of the baseball and football fields, however, were determined several months ago.

Naturally, all of this work entails money—on the parts of the state and Patton Boro, and also of the county. The Boro will have to acquire the land needed for the improvement, and it is the hope of the boro fathers that owners of the properties will turn them over for a fair price. Only a few properties with homes located on them will be affected.

Financing of the flood control work itself will be done by the State Dept. of Forests & Waters and work will be under the State Water & Power Resources Board. Supervisors of Chest and Elder Twp. also are cooperating in the project, and the Cambria County commissioners several weeks ago appropriated money to construct a bridge over Flannagan Run just across the Patton Boro line in order that that stream might be diverted across the hill into Chest Creek without running through the boro.

We know that the people of Patton are expressing their thanks, whether spoken or not, to all concerned who are working toward completion of a flood control project which will free them from fear of such happenings as occurred in 1936 and 1946. May their efforts come to a quick, successful conclusion.

Our Annual Meandering

At the time this article reaches your eye this week, dear reader, the editor and his wife will be washing westward on the railway streamer "City of Denver" from Chicago to Salt Lake City, Utah, where the annual convention of the National Editorial Assn. begins its sessions on Saturday of this week. Accompanying us will be Miss Fannie C. Wetzel and Mrs. Rose Arbie of Carrolltown. Our party will be gone practically the entire month of June and the itinerary following a four day convention at Salt Lake will take us to the Southern Parks of Utah, to the Grand Canyon of the Colorado, to Los Angeles, to San Diego, Tia Juana, Mexico, and to San Francisco before starting the trek home.

In former years we have been successful in reporting the trip by letters to this column while we were enroute. This year we are not going to do that. For the next several weeks this column will be conducted by our managing editor, Tom Owens Jr., and upon our return we'll probably tell you some of the highlights of our trip. Maybe a change of writers of this column will prove for the better.

Strip Miners to Pay More

Last week Gov. Duff signed a bill that will boost bonding requirements of bituminous strip mine operators 50 percent. The minimum bond per open pit operation will increase from \$2,000 to \$3,000 for tracts of less than 100 acres to be worked during the licensing year. For large operations the bond will increase from the present \$200 to \$300 per acre. The revision allows the operators to post in lieu of corporate security negotiable bonds of the federal government, the state, and some other securities at market values.

The bonds guarantee operator compliance with the requirement that the disturbed surface be covered with earth and planted with grass and trees. The secretary of mines is forbidden to release the minimum bond until there has been compliance. The revision extends from one to three years the time allowed for strip mine operator to landscape the property after he quits removing coal. It empowers the state forests and waters secretary to relieve the operator of the landscaping obligation if the landowner approves use of the site for purposes other than tree and grass growing.

The operators are given the option of paying the State Dept. of Forests and Waters \$60 an acre to do the landscaping for them. A similar provision was written into the original Anthracite Mining Control Law.

The sad part of the strip mining problem is evident to folks living in many sections of Cambria Co. While these unsightly piles of earth are rearing their ugliness everywhere and there, many of the strippers who had only smaller stipends to pay the state have disappeared from the scene, and naturally we wonder when, if ever, any attempt will be made on the part of the state to level off any of them. A good stiff bonding requirement should have been placed on the stripped away back in the time that the stripping of coal was started.

Goodness knows, there were many legislative members in those days who sought something substantial in the way of replacing the earth, but it seemed there always was sufficient strength from somewhere to keep the penalty price low.

Pennsylvania Week

We note that "Pennsylvania Week" chairmen have been named for this and adjoining counties. Certainly Patton stood out in its observance last year, and without any shadow of doubt the community outstripped any and everything in this entire section of the state—even the activities of our two nearby cities.

However, from what has transpired since that time, we seem to have been pretty well ignored by state circles as to our accomplishment. But Patton likely will have another good week's program again, because we so thoroughly enjoyed our achievement ourselves that it was pretty well concluded last year that it should be an annual event, whether or not the state sponsored another week or not.

Patton didn't go into the movement in a token manner, as our readers will remember. There were displays that even Altoona and Johnstown could not meet up with. In addition it brought to our own people just what they had accomplished in the past. As the week progressed, folks from the outside began to hear of the "wonderful" show in Patton and visitors began to come in droves. This year, if Patton observes "Pennsylvania Week," our fame created last season will be our own reward.

Don't Duck the Draft Law

Local draft board officials have sounded a warning to all men between 18 and 26 years of age. They say many men in Cambria Co. have failed to register with their draft board and under law are liable to prosecution by the U. S. district attorney. Under the Selective Service Act all men when they become 18 must register within five days of that birthday. In many cases draft eligibles are not signing until three or four months after the required time. Officials declare that this practice must stop of the proper authorities will take action against offenders.

Perhaps some of the laxity rests with the fact that there is a draft holiday and apparently none of the men registering will be called to service anyway. However, this doesn't mean that the men in the required ages are not obliged to register. It is the law. Good citizens obey the law and save themselves trouble.

It was pointed out that all veterans must register within 30 days after their discharge from active service. This, too, is being violated. As men in the area become eligible for call either by age or military discharge, questionnaires are being forwarded by selective service personnel. These forms must be filled out and returned within the specified time. It also was noted that there is too much negligence in advising the boards of a change of address and employment. This must be done within five days after such change.

Officials point out that they are not attempting to frighten anyone, but they are interested in saving eligible men a lot of trouble and embarrassment for failing to comply with regulations. If you are one of the age group mentioned and have neglected any of these provisions, you had better set yourself straight with the draft law.

Why Not Give 'Em Power?

For the fourth time in six years Congress is studying proposals to give the Federal Bureau of Mines more authority to promote coal mining safety. Present law gives the U. S. Bureau of Mines the authority to go into coal mines and, when they find dangerous conditions, to recommend safety measures. BUT it gives them NO power to close unsafe mines or enforce their recommendations. Enforcement has been left up to the states.

The present bill would authorize federal inspectors to order immediate withdrawal of miners from all areas in which they find "imminent danger." Mine operators or managers could be penalized for refusal to obey such orders. It would not increase government costs, as the inspectors are on the job anyway. It would give them a responsibility for mine safety.

Enlisted Men Get A Laugh

For once in their lifetime the enlisted men of the services are doing a little gleeful chucking over some economy that has come from Congress that really was unlooked for by most folks, and maybe even more so by the enlisted men themselves. The House last week killed a \$400 million pay boost for the services. The biggest blow for the enlisted man in this bill was that boost for him ranged about three percent, while at the top of the scale the "high brass" and "gold braid" would have gotten pay hikes of nearly 50 percent.

Congressmen who served during World War II played a leading part in killing the bill. They centered their fire on the fact that the highest ranking officers would get the highest pay boosts. Rep. Pat Slaton (D-Tenn.), a Navy veteran who rose from apprentice seaman to lieutenant junior grade, told the House that "too long has the brass had the breaks. It was the civilians in uniform who won the war," he said, "it wasn't the generals who hid behind bomb-proof shelters in the Pentagon. It's the captains and lieutenants and enlisted men who need a big raise."

Although the vote merely sent the bill back to committee for study, the floor manager of the measure commented that the legislation is dead for several years to come. Veterans now serving in Congress said generally that they didn't object to an equitable pay raise in order to attract the best type of men into the services, but they didn't feel the generals and admirals who already had been granted many privileges and advantages should walk off with the lion's share of the boost.

FLINTON

Joseph Lepota of New York is visiting with friends in Flinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Slovokoski of Washington, D. C., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Anna Slovokoski.

Sara Thompson has recently left for Elizabethtown, Pa., where she has secured employment for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Helen Wilkerson are visiting in town at the Treasa Gondok home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Swope of Erie visited over the holidays in town with friends and relatives.

John Swope who has been a patient in the hospital is much improved at this writing.

Barnesboro Hurler Has No-Hit Victory

With Jack Sheredy posting a sparkling no-hit 2-0 victory, Barnesboro Moose defeated Emeigh last Sunday to tighten its grip on first place in the Northern Cambria League.

Sheredy, who now has four straight wins including a one-hitter, fanned 14 batters and walked only two. He faced only 29 men.

Single runs in the third and 8th innings provided Sheredy with more than enough to win. The victory was the 10th against a single loss for Barnesboro. The summary:

Emeigh—Bobby, 3; Hubota, 3; Kaschak, 1; Trout, 1; Homady, 2; Borot, 1; Price, 1; Salvan, 1; Hollins, 1; Barone, 1; Pavlic, 1; Sheredy, 1.

Barnesboro—B. Anderson, 2; Wilson, 1; Hovan, 1; Klapak, 1; Moser, 1; Kofman, 1; Anderson, 1; Barone, 1; Bella, 1; Pavlic, 1; Sheredy, 1.

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Fashion Expert Lists Suggestions On Women's Wear for Summer

Bolero or Stole Will Be Very Popular Item

What about stoles for summer dresses? Is back fullness good for cottons? What are the smartest prints for spring? These are some of the questions you ask fashion expert Marian Corey and which she answers in McCall's for April. Writing about fashion highlights for spring and summer, she talks about berthas to pretty up plunging necklines, the big summer ahead for sheers, and the new cummerbund saah.

"With bare sun dresses you need something for covering up. That means either a bolero or a stole. The beauty of a stole is, it is so easy to make. One very nice one is kerchief shaped at the back, and you can wear it various ways.

"Back fullness is still a good style for summer dresses. There are four skirt silhouettes, all of equal importance for you to choose from. The slim type, the one with back fullness, the all-around flare, and the pleated. The flared skirt is the darling of the young crowd—their cotton dresses especially are apt to flare widely, and most evening gowns flare voluminously.

"How about a plunging neckline plunge? In actual truth, it goes only about to the top of the bra. However, if you want yours really deep, it is quite a good stunt to make your bra (or

the top of your slip) match the dress in color and fabric. It then becomes part of the design. Bare wide-open necklines are everywhere. Some are charmingly surrounded by something quite new in berthas.

"Dots, stripes, checks, small tie-die prints and paisleys come first in a list of the smartest prints. After these anything you like. The all-bias striped dress is high style and so is the cross-stripe one.

"Cotton voile is to be worn again and it looks too chiffon-like for words. All sheers are ready for a big summer—chiffon, semi-sheers, voiles, dotted swiss, organdy, organza and peek-a-boo eyelet. Sweet innocent dotted swiss dresses with huge taffeta sashes, are set to go.

"One spring dress model has everything: It's bias, has the widest of cummerbunds. The neckline plunges, and the skirt flares. Bare necklines are the rage but few are as beautiful as the framed-by-a-bertha type on a waffle pique dress. The bare V is another of the new open necklines, cut both wide and deep.

"Dots are a top-flight print, all shapes, all sizes. One dress has snow-flake type. It has also the new cummerbund saah, ending in a great big bow. All the blues are furiously smart for spring and summer. And navy is perfect for a day timer with a plunging neckline, and dignified good stunt to make your bra (or

Ebensburg Tops Mosscreek, 7-1

Breaking up a close game in late innings, Ebensburg humbled Mosscreek, 7-1, in a Cambria Co. Industrial League contest on Wednesday evening of last week on the Ebensburg field. Holding only a 2-1 edge, the Countyesters got to Gallo and Rackavan for three points in the 7th and 2 more in the 8th.

The winners collected only 5 hits but cashed in on 13 walks and two hit batsmen. Duman gave Mosscreek only 4 blows and whiffed 10. Mike Solan led the

office with two singles. Summary: Mosscreek—Wargo, 3b; Brtolomai, ss; Tomichko, lf; Rudak, cf; Hauze, 1b; Rachavon, 2b-p; Frank, cf; Hemerski, Gallo, p.

Ebensburg—Soyles, ss; Solan, cf; Glogoff, 3b; Silko, c; Parkins, 1b; Hazy, 2b; Meiler, lf; Mitchell, lf; Duman, p. Mosscreek — 010 000 000—1 4 2 Ebensburg — 010 010 022—7 5 1

COFFEY WINS SUPPORT

Mrs. Robert L. Coffey Sr., candidate for the Congressional seat of her son who was killed in an airplane crash, will have the support of the Barnesboro Democratic Women's Club, as voted unanimously at a meeting of the group recently in the Slovak Hall.



JOHAI—THE TELEVISION MAN SAID—IN FRONT OF THE FIRE PLACE WAS THE IDEAL PLACE FOR IT—AFTER I WATCHED 19 WRESTLING MATCHES AND 13 PRIZE FIGHTS I JUST PUSHED IT BACK A LITTLE!



Early Rising After Childbirth Said Aid To Quick Recovery

Early rising after childbirth offers a double benefit. The patient usually feels better, there is less chance for complications and convalescence is more rapid. It relieves the hospital shortage of beds and nursing service.

Early rising after childbirth has been practiced by primitive people since ancient times. Modern civilization with its greater complexities induced an acceptance of the belief that women needed a long rest and care in bed after the birth of a baby. It was feared early movement after childbirth would bring on dire complications within the body and a more or less conventional period of eight days in bed became customary.

Today, the trend is toward remaining active, with doctors, nurses and hospitals encouraging the patient to move about freely and go home several days earlier than she used to. The accepted time when the patient can move about now varies from six hours to four or five days after delivery. Early ambulation does not mean the patient can move about in the household duties requiring strenuous exercise. In some hospitals the patient is encouraged to dangle her feet over the side of the bed several times during the day, beginning 12 hours after delivery. Usually, after 24 hours, she can walk about her room and after 48 hours she can walk down the hall and have bathroom privileges.

Early use of the muscles increases circulation throughout the body, which hastens healing and returns to normal functions. Mother and child are doing fine—and will be home sooner.

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MANAGER CASEY STENGEL DOESN'T SEE HOW RASCHI CAN HELP BEING A 21-GAME WINNER - HE TOOK 19 LAST YEAR!

VIC WOULD PROBABLY SET SOME NEW PITCHING RECORDS IF HE ONLY FACED THE A'S - HE'S BEATEN THEM 9 OUT OF 10!

HELP!