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Cambria County High School Bands Mass Prior To Contest At Barnesboro



Shown on the picture are the 7 high school bands taking part in the Cambria County American Legion Committee-sponsored contest at Barnesboro Stadium last Wednesday evening. Barnesboro Band, at the extreme left on the photo, took first prize of \$150.00 by amassing 98.27 points. Next to Barnesboro is Portage, third place winner of \$50.00, followed by Patton, Hastings, second place winner of \$100.00, is fourth from the left. Crosson is behind the Hastings unit and Spangler and Carrolltown are at the extreme right.

BLANDSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis of Lewisport visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steward Beers recently.

Miss Shirley Nash of Blandsborg and Mrs. James Brown of Bellwood were callers in Patton on Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Beers and daughter of Bellwood visited in town recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beers were visitors in Hollidaysburg on Tuesday of last week.

Harry Hopkins has moved to Baltimore, where he will make his home.

Miss Shirley Jean Nash has returned home after spending several weeks in Huntingdon, visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Monihan, and in Mount Union with other cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Burkholder, and her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burkholder.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Nash, Mr. and Mrs. K. E. Douglas and sons and James Brown motored to Mt. Union on Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Musto of Philadelphia visited her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beers, here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Regis Warner and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wilkinson and son, motored to Lewisport and Raystown Dam on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilkinson and children of Templeton spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilkinson Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McDonald and family visited recently at the Alfred Frank residence.

Doris, Carol and Jerry Bollinger and Helen Barr of Bellwood were last week visitors at the Leo Warner home.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Van Scoyoc motored to Lake Erie recently for a vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilkinson Sr., motored to Templeton on Sunday, where they spent the week with their son.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Hanagan of Washington, D. C., spent a vacation with relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Malocco and daughter returned to Pittsburgh after spending several weeks with Mrs. Mary Malocco.

The Fremens Auxiliary will hold their next meeting the third Tuesday in August, Aug. 5. The membership is urgently requested to attend.

Gail McCusker of Irvona is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. Mike Ewanakey.

Mrs. Micocki and son, Frank, and granddaughter of Washington, D. C., spent several days in town recently at the Frank Feidor home.

GLASGOW

Annual Troxell Reunion Held Near Here Sunday

The annual Troxell Reunion was held at the Ralph Troxell farm on Sunday, July 31.

Among those attending were: Mrs. Lena Harpster, Mrs. Alice Glasgow and daughter, Tille O'Shell, Shirley Spangler, Mrs. Willa Gates and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kuhn family, Mrs. Nancy Thomas, Mrs. Frank Lovell and family, Olive Lauffer, Walter Kuhn, Mrs. C. L. Kuhn, Alma Troxell, Franklin Troxell, Sandra Smiley, Annie Kuhn, Mrs. Melvin Monahan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sneath and son, Leo Kutruff, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Beers and sons, John Matthews, Laverne Lender, Arlene Shoppe, Robert, Ruth, Donna and Wilmer Troxell, Mr. and Mrs. John Troxell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Lender, Arlene Shoppe, Robert, Ruth, Donna and Wilmer Troxell, Mr. and Mrs. John Troxell and family, Florie Dupriest, Ralph Troxell, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Troxell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Troxell and sons, Gene Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. Boyd Monahan, Sandra Dixon, Clarence A. Troxell, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Thomas and sons, Mrs. Ermine Sneath, Catherine Kutruff, Mrs. Walter Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brubaker, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Frye and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Frye, Vera Jane Solikemer, Wayne Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Florence Strend, Mrs. C. J. Troxell, Frank Troxell, Mae Kuhn, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thomas and son.

John Walker, 80, Dies At Home in Roseland

John Walker, 80, of Roseland died at 5:45 p. m. Thursday of last week, July 27, at his home.

He was born in Philadelphia on July 18, 1859. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Amanda Walker, a stepdaughter, Mrs. Shirley Walker, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was a brother of Mrs. Manda Shovers of Philadelphia.

Funeral services were held at the Troxell Funeral Home by the Rev. Gene Sease. Burial was in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Bowman's Grove Scene Of McCartney Scattering

The annual McCartney Reunion was held at Bowman's Grove on July 23. Attending the event were the following: Mr. and Mrs. John Porter and Glen Porter of Juniata; Mr. and Mrs. Cloyd Gilmore and children of New Jersey; Mrs. John Ritchey, Margaret Ritchey, Mrs. W. C. McCartney, Ann McCartney, Mrs. Clifford L. McCartney and Elizabeth Ritchey, all of Altoona; Anne Ter Harr of Jamestown, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Spencer, and Mr. and Mrs. W. Deas, McCarty of Mapleton Depot; Ruth Troxell and Nancy Hoffman of Washington D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. William Frye and children, Sharon and Demita of Coraopolis spent a week's vacation here.

Mrs. Gene Reynolds and Mrs. Gene Reynolds were Thursday callers in Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hammond and sons of Baltimore spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Clair Reynolds.

Tommy Hammond of Baltimore is spending a vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Reynolds.

Mrs. and Mrs. Foster Troxell and daughters were callers in Altoona on Saturday.

Mrs. James McCartney spent

CARROLLTOWN

By Mrs. Thomas A. Owens
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Maurice Campbell of Washington, Pa., visited here for a week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Campbell.

Mrs. Thomas Haley and son, Edward, two daughters, Camilla and Leona, of York, Pa., and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wolfgang of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Short, were week end visitors in town at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Danch attended the reception of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Novak in Beaverdale on Saturday.

Miss Cecelia Fleck of Philadelphia, who has been a guest of Mrs. Rose Arble for a month, returned to her home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Callahan and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Jones visited with Ed Callahan a resident of Central City, who is a patient in the Windber Hospital.

Pat and Peg Danch and Mrs. John Farrington of Stanford, Conn., visited here last week at the Michael Donch home.

Mrs. John Render is visiting in town at the Samuel Jones and James Callahan homes.

Bill Callahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Callahan, recently left for Detroit, Mich., where he has secured employment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yablinsky of this place announces the birth of a son, born in the Miners' Hospital, Spangler, last Friday, July 28.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zurenko and family of Reading, Ohio, returned home after spending some time in town visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Zurenko.

George Dubyak of this place is in Youngstown, Ohio, where he is seeking employment.

George Pappas of Beaverdale is spending some time here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Donch.

Local Boy Scout Troop 71, is spending this week camping at the Roaring Run Council Camp in Somerset County. The boys will return home this week end.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wentz and son, Tom, daughter, Mary Jo, and Mrs. Fred Owens and son Freddie, the Edgar Haley Family and "Buss" Cunningham, enjoyed an outing on Sunday at Bland Park, Tippen.

and Mrs. Ernest Krutz and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Conrad and daughter.

Mrs. Kenneth Glass and children have returned home after spending a vacation with relatives in Washington, D. C.

Mary Lou Troxell of Pittsburgh spent the week end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Troxell.

CARROLLTOWN

Lt. Fred Fees Jr., U. S. Marine Corps, attached to the Second Marine Air Wing, reported to Treasure Island, San Francisco, Calif., on July 31 for further assignment. Lt. Fees is the son of Attorney and Mrs. Fred J. Fees of this place.

Miss Rea Lacey of Dallas, Tex., spent several days here at the home of Attorney and Mrs. Fred J. Fees.

Sharon Flaherty, daughter of Commander and Mrs. J. J. Flaherty of Cherry Point, N. C., left Sunday after spending a ten-day visit with Mr. and Mrs. John A. Murphy of Washington, D. C. Miss Flaherty also visited the Fees family here.

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ATTENDS LIBRARY SESSION

Rev. Father Vincent Neigherbon, TOR, librarian at St. Francis College, Loretto, recently attended the convention of the American Library Association. He participated in the sessions held in Cleveland, Ohio. Nearly 5,000 members attended the conference.

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CARROLLTOWN VFW

FORMER SYLVAN PARK (along brick road to Loretto)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4
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submarine Sandwiches

New Soil Conservation District

Last week in the courthouse at Ebensburg the formal organization of the new Cambria County Soil Conservation District was effected. The creation of this body had been a subject of controversy for about a year, and we believe neither the pros or the cons really had much idea of the true picture of the set-up, which brings cooperation to the county farmers and landowners of both the federal government and several of the state departments. Its satisfactory service in more than 25 other counties over the state, as well as an undetermined number throughout the nation, should bring to Cambria County much benefit, after the preliminary fogs have been dispelled and the board begins to learn the score.

In Pennsylvania, Soil Conservation Districts are authorized by Act No. 217 of the 1945 Session of the General Assembly. Its thought was to provide for the conservation of the soil and soil resources of the state and for the control and prevention of erosion, and thereby to preserve natural resources; assist in the control of floods, etc.; preserve wild life; preserve the tax base; protect public lands, and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of the commonwealth. The cost of this program to the taxpayers of Cambria County will be negligible—its services should be many.

While the act in the main is administered by the state, nevertheless the Soil Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture also enters the picture. It promises to promote all reasonable measures for achieving conservation of soil and soil resources, and control and prevention of soil erosion to those farmers and landowners in the county who ask such service. If sufficient interest is shown by local farmers, and we believe it will be, government service staff members will set up offices and residence in the county to make necessary surveys, in helping owners prepare soil and water conservation plans for farms and other units, in aiding landowners and operators to perform operations which require technical skill beyond the experience of the individuals involved, in making suggestions of revisions in present conditions, and by serving also, if requested, in aiding the county board.

Off course, the County Soil Conservation Board must request this federal service just as it must also request a number of services afforded by the various state departments. While the services of the state departments are presently, for the most part, available to our citizens, nevertheless the coordinated efforts of the Conservation District can work more practically to the satisfaction of the state and our local people. State departments, aside from the State Department of Agriculture which administers the program, include the Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters, the Pennsylvania Game Commission, the Pennsylvania Fish Commission and the Pennsylvania Department of Highways. Other departments, also, are cooperative, such as the Bureau of Mines.

For instance, upon request, the Department of Forests and Waters will assist in the initiation of good forest management practices on farms cooperating with the district and, as far as available resources will permit, assume the responsibility for assisting the farmer in the prevention, control and suppression of forest fires, furnish technical assistance in the marketing of forest products, furnish seedlings and transplants at a nominal cost to be planted for soil conservation, watershed protection and wood products. It will furnish advice on care and planting of forest trees on timber standing, furnish cuttings and other forest cultural practices. Technical advice will be given to the extent that available resources will permit, relative to stream channel clearance and rectification, and so on.

The Game Commission enters the picture in assisting in the initiation of good wildlife management practices on farms cooperating with the district, in furnishing technical assistance so far as available help and resources will permit, in the establishment of approved practices beneficial to wildlife. It will cooperate with all federal and state agencies so that cooperators may obtain the best possible assurance of maximum game production. It will cooperate with the proper land use and with the type of farming practiced in the areas involved. The commission will give priority in the game stocking program to cooperators who keep their lands open to hunting. And, it will pay patches, hay for nesting cover, at mutually agreeable prices, from cooperators at strategic locations on lands open to hunting.

Naturally, too, the Pennsylvania Fish Commission enters the picture along the same trend. Whenever possible it will assist the Fish and Wildlife Service in the initiation of good fish and all sorts of aquatic life management practices on cooperators' farms. It will furnish technical assistance, so far as available help and resources permit, in the establishment of approved practices beneficial to fish. It will cooperate with all federal and state agencies in the objectives of the cooperators, and with the district in its fish stocking program, so as to develop better fishing in the open streams of Cambria County. Likewise it will cooperate with the district and the landowners in certifying facts necessary in securing the proper fish for stocking, which, at the present, are supplied by the Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Department of Highways, also, has a part in the Soil Conservation District program. It will keep in mind the objectives of the district when planning new highways, reconstructing or improving present highways and in maintenance operations. It will give special consideration in planning highway drainage to safeguard erosion problems wherever possible in line with practical and economical highway construction and maintenance. It will advise with the district on drainage and waterway construction or changes so as to be mutually beneficial to the district and department, and, if available and in line with department policies, make available to the district some of the departmental machinery.

The Soil Conservation District, of course, must request all these services. That will be done. The farmer or landowner, too, must request services from the District. All service is voluntary. Nothing is compulsory. When the board actually is in a position to start functioning, which should be early in this present month, or following a meeting to be held on Aug. 10, it is quite likely that the District will solicit applications from individuals. Plans will be furnished by the secretary, Thomas A. Owens, Commissioners' Office, Ebensburg. The application is simplicity itself, simply stating that the farmer desires assistance in developing a complete conservation plan for his farm, based on the proper use of land and the needs of his farm enterprise.

In the application the farmer states that he will cooperate in bringing about the land use and the establishment of the conservation practices called for in the plan which are acceptable to him and feasible for him to install. Neither the district nor the farmer will be liable for any damage to the other's property or personal injury resulting from the carrying out of the conservation plan. The plan will remain in effect until terminated in writing by either party.

We have gone to some length in explaining the Soil Conservation District program. Very few farmers, even farm organization leaders, we believe, fully understand its provisions. A state representative informs us that the Bureau of Mines also will enter the picture, in cooperation with the Department of Forests and Waters in the alleviation to some extent of removal of the scars and hazards that the strip mining operations have left in various sections of the state and which we have in disgusting evidence in many sections of this county. Westmoreland County Soil Conservation District presently is working at this phase. While nothing has been accomplished up until now, there is every reason to believe that definite good will come of the movement.

Heavier Than The Bridge

While the state, the county and the townships all post the maximum weight of loaded trucks to cross bridges, nevertheless for the most part, if a truck can get away with it he ignores the posting. A couple of weeks ago a report came into the County Commissioners' office that an overloaded truck had weakened the strength of the structure. The apprehension of the particular trucker is another matter. That requires witnesses and other proof.

However, over in Dauphin County the other day an out-of-state truck that still continues to "play games" with the Pennsylvania State Police in regard to overloading, had one of the bridges used (by a New Jersey trucker) buckle with disastrous results. In an effort to escape the small \$50 fine for overloading, the New Jersey trucker, hauling a load of canned eggs with an overload of 25 tons, left the main highway and traveled back roads to escape state police detection.

Near Hummelstown a small bridge had to be crossed, and the bridge was posted as a three-ton load limit. When the 25 tons got on the bridge the entire structure collapsed with a "noise like thunder." The tractor crossed but the trailer dropped into the creek. The contents of canned eggs also went into the creek. Now the driver faces a lot of charges, and the county has to build a new bridge to replace the one that was destroyed.

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