

Carrolltown Flier Loses Life in Crash Of Air Force Plane

Donald F. Hopper In Maryland Tragedy

A Carrolltown airman met an instant death last Friday when an Air Force training plane crashed at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., near Washington, D. C.

Victim of the crash was T-Sgt. Donald F. Hopper, 34, a veteran of World War II fighting and better known to his many friends as "Pete." He had served with the armed forces for 12 years.

The pilot of the plane also was killed and another man was injured seriously.

The training plane was bound for Chicago from Washington via Norfolk, Va. It had taken off from Bolling Air Force Base in Washington.

However, one of the engines caught fire shortly after the take-off. The pilot, an air force colonel, attempted to take the craft to Andrews Field, a few miles away.

The plane crashed in a tobacco field about one mile short of the runway at the airport. It then burst into flames, virtually cremating the sergeant and colonel.

Hopper was a son of Mrs. Clara Hopper of Midland, Mich., formerly of Carrolltown. He had moved from East Carroll Township several years ago to live with her daughter, Pauline, in Midland. In addition to his mother and the sister mentioned, he is survived by these brothers and sisters: Robert, Neillville, Wis.; Emmerson, Wichita, Kan.; Gervase, Pittsburgh; Mrs. Henrietta Krauth, Butler; and Mrs. Dorothy Patterson, Carrolltown.

A native of Carrolltown, the sergeant was born July 19, 1916. He entered the service in 1938 shortly after his graduation from Carrolltown High School.

He was one of the first American soldiers to serve overseas in the war.

Funeral services were held at 9 a. m. Wednesday in St. Benedict's Catholic Church, Carrolltown. Interment was in the church cemetery, with military rites by Fox-Pope Post, American Legion.

Twenty-six airmen from Sgt. Hopper's squadron, Bolling Field, attended the funeral.

Spangler Student Named To Penn State Dean's List

John Joseph Maholtz of Spangler, senior at Penn State College, has been named to the dean's list for scholastic attainment during the spring semester.

Expelled Czechoslovakia Missionary To Speak Here On Sunday Evening

Miss Ethel Wray, a native of Toronto, Canada, will be guest speaker at the First Baptist Church of Patton and the Calvary Baptist Church of Reilly's this coming Sunday.

Miss Wray, upon completion of her studies, was appointed as a missionary to Czechoslovakia by the Mid-Missions, a faith mission organization. She served as a religious instructor in an orphanage in one of the cities of Czechoslovakia.

When the communist regime

County Legion Will Honor Two Vets For Past Services

Walter Stinson, Fred Morley Are Cited

At a committee meeting last Wednesday night of the Cambria County American Legion, Committee in Blandburg, plans for recognition were outlined to honor Walter J. Stinson of Ebensburg and Fred (Fritz) Morley of Barnesboro as the Cambria County's most outstanding Legionnaires.

Newly elected officers also were installed and appointive officials were named at the meeting in the Blandburg Legion Home.

The two Legionnaires will be rewarded for "meritorious and outstanding service to the Legion."

Three members of the committee were named to select suitable awards for the men. Members of the committee are H. C. Riblett, Conemaugh; Van S. Harvey, Barnesboro, and Frank Evans, South Fork.

Samuel Brooks of Johnstown was installed as commander of the 20th (Cambria County) District of the Legion. Robert Gallowsky of St. Michael took office as chairman of the Cambria County American Legion Committee.

Joseph F. Bernard, Gallitzin, retiring commander of the district, had charge of installation ceremonies. Joseph LaRocca of South Fork is retiring chairman of the committee.

Appointed to offices by the new commander are Frank Evans, chaplain; Walter Stinson, secretary of the committee; Paul J. Willis, first deputy commander of the district; George Gold, second deputy, and George Rhawn, third deputy. Mr. Brooks will name two other deputies later.

Bernard Melvin was named the district adjutant.

Picnic At St. Augustine To Be Held This Sunday

Final plans have been completed for the big St. Augustine Picnic to be held in the St. Augustine Grove this coming Sunday, Aug. 27.

The picnic's famous chicken dinners will be served beginning at 12 noon. The meal will include noodles and all the trimmings. The price for adults is \$1. Games and other amusements also will feature. The public is invited.

Many former St. Augustine residents regard this picnic as an annual reunion.

North Cambria Personalities—No. 74 J. V. Maucher Jr. Veteran Schoolman

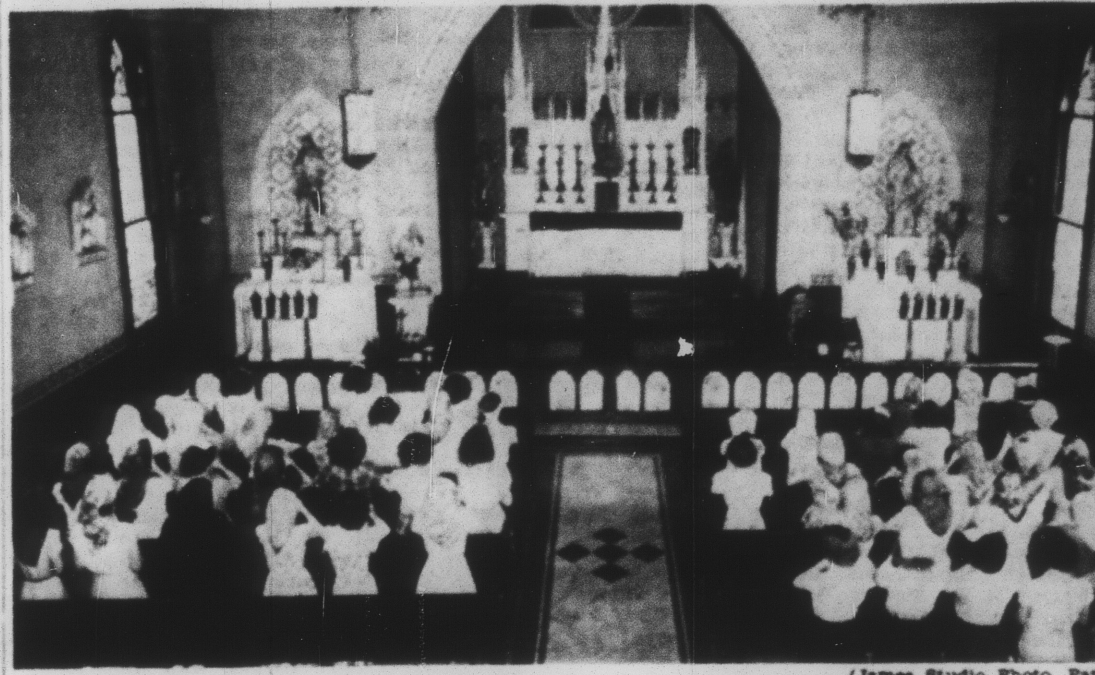
Mr. Maucher taught at McKees Rocks High School during the 1927-28 term, and the following year he traveled in Europe with his father and brothers. When he returned, he accepted a position as teacher at the Spangler High School and taught there two terms. In the fall of 1930 he was appointed assistant principal at Carrolltown High School and the next year he was appointed supervising principal.

A son of Dr. J. V. and Rose (Blum) Maucher, he was born in Carrolltown. He is married to the former Catherine Sanker, daughter of Luke and Cecelia Cooper Banker. Mr. and Mrs. Maucher reside in Loretto and are members of St. Michael's Catholic Church there.

The educator is a member of Phi Lambda Upsilon, an honorary chemistry fraternity to which he was elected while he was a student in college.

His hobbies include amateur photography and amateur astronomy. He made a six-inch telescope with which he studies the planets. The Carrolltown teacher has traveled extensively, having made several journeys to South American countries and to the West Indies.

Shirt Factory Workers Pray for Peace Each Day at Noon



By cutting short their lunch hour, 15 number of girls employed at the Phillips-Jones factory in Patton have been spending approximately 15 minutes daily at noon in St. George's Church praying for peace. Their example during the past several weeks has been responsible for a number of other groups using the same time to pray in other district churches. A huge outdoor rosary rally is being planned for two weeks from today, Thursday, Sept. 10, at the Barnesboro Stadium to ask for an enduring world peace.

Henry Rosian Barn Gulped By Blaze

Hastings R. D. Farmer Loses Grain, Hay Crop

Flames completely destroyed a barn on the Henry Rosian farm near Hastings about 7:30 p. m. last Wednesday, with the amount of loss estimated at \$900.

The fire was discovered by Mr. Rosian about 15 minutes after he and his wife had finished milking their three cows. They had not noticed any signs of smoke or fire during the visit to the barn. All the cows and other livestock were saved.

However, about eight tons of hay and a quantity of grain were destroyed by the blaze.

Hastings Fire Co. members arrived on the scene to find the barn a mass of flame. They then concentrated efforts on outbuildings and were able to save a nearby pig-pen. Water was obtained from a small dam located a considerable distance away.

As firemen were taking the bumper from the Hastings Fire Hall to answer the alarm, the heavy overhead doors of the building fell and caught the vehicle when it was halfway outside. The door weighed approximately 1,000 pounds.

In spite of this fact, only a 5-minute delay was met. Timbers were quickly secured and the cows dropped up. It was later discovered that the ropes which pull the door weights had come off the pulleys.

Anthony Plasco, chief, narrowly escaped being struck by the falling doors.

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Centennial Book To Include History Of Entire District

Work is progressing on preparation of a souvenir book to be published on the occasion of the Centennial of St. Benedict's Church, Carrolltown. The celebration will start Sunday, Oct. 1.

According to present plans, the book will go to press soon. Meantime members of the parish and former parishioners as well as friends are asked to be personal patrons to help defray expenses of publication. Rev. Father Alban Basnik, OSB, pastor, announced.

He pointed out that personal patrons as well as business patrons will receive complimentary copies of the book. Any books left over after patrons receive theirs will be sold, it was announced.

Title of the book will be "Our Catholic Heritage." It will contain more than 100 pictures of the development of St. Benedict's Church, clergy and scenes of interest to the general public. Written material prepared by Rev. Father Valentine Koehler, OSB, formerly in charge of St. Joseph's and Cyril R. Stevens, will describe the beginning of Catholicity in this section and tell especially of the work of the Benedictine Fathers.

With the celebration of the centennial of the church, also will be observed more than a century of Benedictine service in this area.

The actual anniversary of the dedication will be on Dec. 25. However, it was thought advisable to hold the celebration before winter weather arrives. Those interested in being patrons for the book are asked to communicate with the Benedictine Fathers in Carrolltown.

Dr. Bowers Returns From S. America Ride Wake of Tornado While Nearing U. S.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Bowers of St. Benedict recently returned home from what they reported as a delightful trip to South American countries.

The couple cruised on the SS Uruguay to the South American east coast, stopping at all the important ports and cities, including Trinidad, Port of Spain, Rio de Janeiro, Santos Sao Paulo, Montevideo and Buenos Aires, Argentina, their destination.

The cruise was sponsored by the International College of Surgeons, being invited by the Argentine government for their 7th international assembly. Over 400 surgeons and their wives attended the conference and President Peron and his wife were entertained at various functions.

Dr. and Mrs. Bowers stated it was their first experience in taking such an extended cruise on a large ship and said it was most pleasant, entertaining and educational.

"We came home a few hundred miles behind the big tornado which blew itself out of the New England coast," said Dr. Bowers. "It is needless to say we were a little apprehensive. We had it little rough for a couple of days but otherwise the sailing was smooth."

Red Cross Courses Teach 750 to Swim

About 750 persons received instruction in Red Cross "learn-to-swim" campaigns in the county this summer, according to John A. Water safety instructor, John Alessandro of Johnstown.

The lessons, given free of charge, were held in Patton, Fort, Ebensburg, South Fork and Johnstown.

Persons passing beginners tests at the Patton Park pool who were not previously announced were as follows:

Joyce Dubyak, Jane Strittmatter, Dorothy Niebauer, Jane Nicholson, Doris McNulty, Clair Gill, Janet Smith, Jean Blasko, John Jenkins, and Jerry Hauret, all of Patton; Joanne Thomas, Donald Yehner, Dick Baker, Sylvia Ann Gresco and Donald Dumm, all of Hastings; Barbara Briel of Cresson and Lynne Cassidy, Westover.

FOYAT MEN TO TOUR

County potato farmers will visit the old Swope farm along the St. Lawrence road at 2:30 p. m. today, and the Ray Westrick farm near Patton at 3:30 p. m.

Parochial Schools To Open Sept. 5

'50-'51 Term Calendar Announced This Week

The official school calendar for the 55 parochial grade schools in the Altoona Catholic Diocese has been announced by Rev. Father Francis A. McNelis, the diocesan director of schools.

The term will open the day after Labor Day—Tuesday, Sept. 5. The official calendar follows: Sunday, Oct. 1, Catholic Action week; Thursday, Oct. 12, Columbus Day, holiday; Wednesday, Nov. 1, Feast of All Saints holiday; Sunday, Nov. 5, American Education Week; Friday, Nov. 10, Armistice Day observance; Thursday and Friday, Nov. 23-24, the Thanksgiving holiday; Sunday, Dec. 3, Missions Week; Friday, Dec. 8, Feast of Immaculate Conception, holiday; and Thursday, Dec. 21, Christmas holidays begin at 3:30 p. m.

Tuesday, Jan. 2, classes resume; Friday, Jan. 12, exams in religion, art, music; Friday, Jan. 25, exams in reading, English, spelling; Friday, Feb. 16, exams in geography, history, Christian social living; Thursday, Feb. 22, Washington's birthday, holiday.

Friday, Mar. 2, exams in arithmetic, science, health; Wednesday, Mar. 21, Easter holidays begin at 3:30 p. m.; Tuesday, Mar. 27, classes resume; Monday, Apr. 16, one-act play tournament begins.

Thursday, May 3, feast of the Ascension, holiday; Friday, May 4, Prince Gallitzin Day observance; Thursday, May 10, final examinations; Friday, May 25, establishment of diocese observance; Wednesday, May 30, Memorial Day holiday; and Friday, June 8, closing of school year.

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Supervising Principal Jesse W. Cogley Jr. announces that pupils enrolling in Grades 1 to 3 will report to the Second Ward Building, Grades 4 to 8 will report to the First Ward Building, and Grades 9 to 12 to the High School.

During the summer resignations were submitted by Mrs. Henrietta O'Leary, home economics teacher, and Mrs. Elizabeth Ludwig, second grade teacher.

Miss Barbara Overberger, a public school teacher for the past 43 years, 38 of which have been in the Patton public schools, will retire on Oct. 1, 1950.

The new teachers are Miss Nancy McNelis of Hastings, graduate of Indiana State Teachers' College, will teach home economics; Frank Martin of Arnold, a graduate of St. Vincent College, will teach social science. He also will serve as football coach, and will be assisted in that capacity by Pat Marquette.

Mrs. Marion Short of Patton, a graduate of West Chester Teachers' College will serve in the primary grades. She was, until this year, a teacher in the Cresson public schools. Miss Audrey Heist has been granted a sabbatical leave of three months.

The enrollment this year is expected to be higher than it has been in the last several years.

The following teachers will be on the staff for the current year: High school—John I. Barnard, principal; M. Agnes Connell, Sally Davis, H. W. Fleming, V. Marie Garity, Mary A. Gavaler, Rachel A. Gwynn, Mary L. Henyval, Mary E. Kollar, Angelo F. Larrito, Mildred B. Lowe, Catherine E. Markey, Pascal H. Marquette, Elizabeth K. Masnica, George Melton Jr., Frank Martin, Nancy McNelis, Barbara R. Overberger, John Semonith and Henry L. Sosinski.

Grade school—Rose C. Farnbaugh, Sue E. Gill, Audrey G. Heist, Anna H. Hozak, Anna V. Laccava, Marion Short, Mary L. Montanaro, Jane M. Patrick, Grace M. Ulrich and Yvonne O. Terger.

Over 9,000 Attend Eucharistic Day Event At Loretto

Approximately 9,000 persons attended the second annual Altoona Diocese Eucharistic Day observance Tuesday on the grounds and in the St. Michael's Church at Loretto.

The day's events, all in honor of the feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, began at 10:30 a. m. with a solemn pontifical mass celebrated by Most Rev. Richard T. Guilfoyle, bishop of the diocese. After mass, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament was held until 2 p. m. in the church, oldest in the diocese.

At 2 p. m. a solemn procession, with the bishop carrying the Blessed Sacrament, advanced from the church to a spot dedicated to Our Lady of the Alleghenies, where benediction was offered at a specially constructed altar. Another benediction was offered at the foundation of a church constructed in 1817, and the final benediction was offered over the tombs of early Cambria County settlers who are buried in Prince Gallitzin cemetery, where a rosary was led by Father Vincent A. Luther, assistant superintendent of schools.

Back in the church, votive vespers were led by Bishop Guilfoyle with combined choirs of 53 diocesan parishes singing responses. The day came to a close with solemn benediction with the bishop acting as celebrant.

Patton, Carrolltown Bands Enter Kennywood Tournament Of Music

The Patton High School Band and the Carrolltown High School Band will compete in the big Tournament of Music which is scheduled nightly the week of August 28 at Kennywood Park near Pittsburgh.

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The Carrolltown High School Band, directed by Joseph Boes, is slated to participate Friday evening, Sept. 1. It will appear the same night as Plum Twp. High School Band, Charleroi High School Band, Braddock High School Band, Robinson Twp. High School Band, South Fayette Drum & Bugle Corps, Turtle Creek Girls Drum & Bugle Corps and the Duquesne High School Band.

Winners in the various classes will appear Saturday night, Sept. 2, to parade again and receive their trophies.

The Tournament of Music is a part of the Fall Fantasy being held nightly at Kennywood, all next week. A dazzling Alice in Wonderland parade will be held at the same time the bands are marching.

Beautiful floats, depicting characters from the famous children's book, will be interspersed through the parade with the many bands. The entire parade gets underway at 8:30 each evening. Kennywood's famous free thrill acts follow on the lagoon stage at 9:30 p. m. nightly.

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Supervising Principal Jesse W. Cogley Jr. announces that pupils enrolling in Grades 1 to 3 will report to the Second Ward Building, Grades 4 to 8 will report to the First Ward Building, and Grades 9 to 12 to the High School.

During the summer resignations were submitted by Mrs. Henrietta O'Leary, home economics teacher, and Mrs. Elizabeth Ludwig, second grade teacher.

Miss Barbara Overberger, a public school teacher for the past 43 years, 38 of which have been in the Patton public schools, will retire on Oct. 1, 1950.

The new teachers are Miss Nancy McNelis of Hastings, graduate of Indiana State Teachers' College, will teach home economics; Frank Martin of Arnold, a graduate of St. Vincent College, will teach social science. He also will serve as football coach, and will be assisted in that capacity by Pat Marquette.

Mrs. Marion Short of Patton, a graduate of West Chester Teachers' College will serve in the primary grades. She was, until this year, a teacher in the Cresson public schools. Miss Audrey Heist has been granted a sabbatical leave of three months.

The enrollment this year is expected to be higher than it has been in the last several years.

The following teachers will be on the staff for the current year: High school—John I. Barnard, principal; M. Agnes Connell, Sally Davis, H. W. Fleming, V. Marie Garity, Mary A. Gavaler, Rachel A. Gwynn, Mary L. Henyval, Mary E. Kollar, Angelo F. Larrito, Mildred B. Lowe, Catherine E. Markey, Pascal H. Marquette, Elizabeth K. Masnica, George Melton Jr., Frank Martin, Nancy McNelis, Barbara R. Overberger, John Semonith and Henry L. Sosinski.

Grade school—Rose C. Farnbaugh, Sue E. Gill, Audrey G. Heist, Anna H. Hozak, Anna V. Laccava, Marion Short, Mary L. Montanaro, Jane M. Patrick, Grace M. Ulrich and Yvonne O. Terger.

New Pastor Arrives At St. Lawrence

The Rev. Father Camillus Long, OSB, a native of Cambria County, last Sunday assumed charge of the St. Lawrence Catholic Church at St. Lawrence, succeeding the Rev. Father Regis McCoy, OSB, who was transferred to Cleveland, O. Father Camillus comes of pioneer Cambria County family and has many relatives in this section. He had been a member of the faculty at St. Vincent College for a number of years prior to being assigned parish work.

Hastings Unit Wins \$500 Cash Prize

The crack Hastings Drum and Bugle Corps walked off with top honors and a \$500 cash prize at Myerdale on Tuesday evening of this week.

The unit won the tidy sum during competition in an American Legion sponsored parade in connection with the 50th Somerset County Fair now under way in Myerdale.

Second prize in drum corps competition was taken by the Bewick's Drum Corps and third place by the New Florence Shamrocks. Second prize was a trophy cup and third was a plaque.

The 22 units which took part in the parade were judged by winners in the various classes of the All-American Judging Assn.

Patton, Carrolltown Bands Enter Kennywood Tournament Of Music

The Patton High School Band and the Carrolltown High School Band will compete in the big Tournament of Music which is scheduled nightly the week of August 28 at Kennywood Park near Pittsburgh.

The Patton High School Band, under the direction of John Semonith, is scheduled to participate Monday evening, Aug. 28. It will appear the same night as the Punxsutawney High School Band, Veterans All-Girl Band of Mt. Pleasant, Springdale High School Band, Belle Vernon Gold Cadets Drum & Bugle Corps, Grapeville Drum & Bugle Corps, East Bethlehem School Band and North Braddock Volunteer Firemen's Band.

The Carrolltown High School Band, directed by Joseph Boes, is slated to participate Friday evening, Sept.