

Edward Solomon Jr. Gets Commission As 2nd Lieutenant

Spends 15-Day Leave At Home In Patton



Lt. EDWARD SOLOMON JR.

Second Lieutenant Edward Solomon, Jr., son of Mrs. Shabida Solomon, of 447 Magee Avenue, Patton, was graduated on Dec. 12th from the United States Air Force Officer Candidate School, Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. The graduation of 500 men and women officers was the largest in Air Force OCS history.

Principal speaker at the ceremonies was Lt. Gen. Robert W. Harper, commanding general, Air Training Command, Brig. Gen. Wycliffe E. Steele, the OCS commander, presented diplomas. Awards to outstanding graduates of the class, 52 D, were presented by Lt. Col. Hugh D. Young, assistant commander.

Most of the new lieutenants received 15 day leaves to spend with families and friends before commencing extended active duty assignments at Air Force bases throughout the nation.

All of the newly commissioned officers have completed a 21-week program of intensive military and academic training. Included is the carrying out of an operational class system similar to that employed at the Annapolis and West Point service academies. The OCS is one of the principal establishments at San Antonio's Gateway to the Air Force base.

Lt. Edward Solomon is a graduate of the Patton High School of the Class of 1948. He then attended George Washington University, at Washington, D. C., and was graduated from the law school there in 1951. He was admitted to practice by the Washington, D. C. Bar Association in June, 1952.

Lt. Solomon entered service with the U. S. Army on October 8, 1951, and took his basic training at Camp Pendleton, Calif., and at the Patton Air Base, Georgia. He is married to the former Miss Mildred Christoff, daughter of John Christoff, of Patton.

Following his basic training, the new officer was assigned to the 1st Air Force at Westover Air Force Base, in Massachusetts. His new assignment will be permanent assignment to the 4th Air Force Base at San Antonio, Texas. Lt. Solomon left for San Antonio on Sunday, and will make his residence at the Air Force Base.

Wm. Whiteford Jr. Named President By Patton Firemen

William Whiteford Jr. was elected President of Patton Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, at a meeting on Tuesday night of last week in the Patton Fire Hall. He succeeds William F. Leary, who had served six terms.

Harvey J. Mulligan was named to his 18th consecutive year as chief engineer.

Other officers are: Frank Kinkead, vice president; Theodore Ott, re-elected secretary, fifth term; George Manna, treasurer, third term; Edward Woerner, fire chief, third term; William Semelberger, foreman; Carl Houck, assistant foreman; Mr. Woerner, drillmaster, and E. J. Burkey, re-elected trustee for 3 years.

Installation will take place January 13.

Plans were made for the firemen's annual party Thursday evening, Jan. 8, in the fire hall. Mr. Mulligan is chairman.

Emeigh Man Dies, Three Others Hurt In Auto Accident

Car, Tractor-Trailer Meet Head-On In Ohio

Elijah Baker, 67-year-old lumber dealer from Emeigh, near Barnesboro, died early last Tuesday morning as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident, Sunday, Dec. 21, near Canfield, Ohio.

The victim had been admitted to a Youngstown (Ohio) hospital for treatment of internal injuries and fractures of the pelvis and arm.

Baker's wife, Sarah, and Mr. and Mrs. James DeHaven of Barnesboro R. D. were seriously hurt in the accident. All three are patients at the Youngstown hospital.

The four Cambria County residents were hurt when their car collided head-on with a tractor-trailer truck. They were returning from California, where the Bakers had visited their daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ford of Los Angeles.

Elijah Porter Baker was born July 18, 1885, in Susquehanna Township, a son of Jacob and Martha Matilda (Gardner) Baker. Besides his wife, he is survived by these children: Oard and Mrs. Vera Evans, both of Akron, Ohio; Cloyd and Mrs. Vernie Stutchell, both of New Kensington; Mrs. Ruth Ford, Los Angeles, Calif.; John, Barnesboro; Mrs. Louise Driver, Plainfield, N. J.; and William, Cherry Tree. There are ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His first wife, Stella Bee, died 29 years ago. He was a brother of Mrs. Sally Bolvin, Cherry Tree; Mrs. Mollie Westover, Spangler; and John R. of Beaver.

Funeral services were held on Friday afternoon in East Ridge Church, and interment was in the church cemetery.

To Receive Awards At State Farm Show

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A New Year bows into a world that prays for peace and hopes for a new era of understanding among mankind. May 1953 see these prayers granted, these hopes fulfilled... and leave the world the better for its coming.

1952 Baby Crop May Set Record

The 1952 baby crop may set a U. S. record.

The U. S. Public Health Service in a report issued during the past week estimated last year's babies at 3,833,000 and said indications are that the 1952 crop will be one or two per cent higher.

Based on figures for the first 10 months of the year, the health service said the birth rate should be about 25 live births for each 1,000 population, about the same as last year.

The only time in 25 years that the birth rate has gone above that was in 1947 when it was 28.6 for each 1,000 population.

7 Persons Injured In Head-On Crash Christmas Evening

Five Get Treatment At Miners' Hospital

Seven persons were injured on Christmas evening in a two-car head-on collision on Route 219, two miles north of Barnesboro. Five of the injured were taken to Spangler Hospital.

State police of the Ebensburg sub-station, identified operators as George E. Patterson, 26, of Barnesboro R. D. 1, and Joseph E. Watral, 17, of Arcadia.

Patterson suffered lacerations of the lip, tongue and chin and possible fractures of the upper and lower jaw.

Three passengers in his automobile were patients in the hospital. They included Pete Giorata, 29, of Barnesboro; Lester Burkey, 38, of Cherry Tree R. D. 2, and Archie Boring, 21, of Cherry Tree R. D. 2.

Giorata sustained a fracture of the right collar bone, possible fractures of the upper and lower jaws, possible fractures of the ribs and abrasions of the left leg.

Garment Factory To Reopen Jan. 5

Normal Gallitzin Plant Compliment Near 100

Center Manufacturing Company of Gallitzin expects to resume operations at its plant soon after Jan. 5, Joseph H. Slutz of Philadelphia has announced.

Mr. Slutz is president of the firm. His announcement was by way of refuting rumors circulating in the North Cambria community reporting that they were going to understand the company had pulled stakes permanently.

Mr. Slutz gave no reason for the shutdown, which he declared was only temporary. Manufacturing came to a halt two weeks ago.

Americans Said to Be Living Longer

The percentage of persons in the United States 65 years old or older has more than doubled in the past century, the Census Bureau reports.

The bureau said one out of every 12 persons—8.4 per cent of the total population—was 65 or over as of July 1, last year. Fifty years ago only about one person of every 25 was in that age bracket.

In 1930, the census just prior to the enactment of federal social security legislation, one in 19 persons was 65, about 5.4 per cent of the entire population.

The bureau said New Hampshire ranks highest in the proportion of its citizens who are 65 or older. More than 11 per cent of the persons in the state are in this bracket.

Free Civil Defense Training Available At State Center

All Expenses Paid Except Transportation

Cambria county industries and community organizations are urged during the past week to send representatives to special civil defense training classes being conducted at Ogontz Center, near Philadelphia.

Special Programs On TV New Year's

Thursday Afternoon To Be Bowl Game Time

At noon on New Year's Day a year-end roundup of outstanding United Press-Movietone news films will be presented over television station WJAC-TV, Johnstown.

The news program will be followed at 12:30 p. m. by the very colorful Tournament of Roses Parade in Pasadena, Calif. The coast-to-coast telecast will last until 1:30 p. m.

The Cotton Bowl football game will begin New Year's Day at 2 p. m. in Dallas, Texas. A 15-minute warmup program will precede the game. The Rose Bowl gridiron classic will be telecast at 4:45 p. m. A pregame telecast will also be featured.

At least one news program will bring laughs to area TV viewers this new year. Beginning on Friday, Jan. 2, the "Life of Riley" program starring William Bendix will be presented over Channel 6. The half-hour program is scheduled for 8:30 p. m. this Friday and each week following.

Van Ormer Man Is Held for Court

William Shomo, aged 37 years, was held for court under \$2,000 bail at a preliminary hearing before Judge Joseph S. Spangler.

Shomo, who is married, and the father of eight children, has been a WPA worker on the Patton Schools project. He has been reported as being suspected of molesting little girls both here and in his home community.

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Mrs. Mary J. Liley Is Called By Death

Mrs. Mary Jane Liley, one of Patton's oldest and best known residents, died last Friday in the Patton Hospital, Spangler.

She was the widow of the late Richard Liley, who died a number of years ago. She was born in Wales, a daughter of David and Miriam (Richards) Ewan.

These children survive: Mrs. James Mitchell, Barnesboro; Mrs. Byrd Mahaffey, Collinswood, N. J.; Richard Liley, Mt. Airy; George Liley, Camden, N. J.; Mrs. Harry Baum, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. Robert Wilson, Lansdowne, and Mrs. Thomas McKee, Patton. There are sixteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was a sister of William Bevan of Atlantic City, N. J., and another brother and two sisters reside in Wales.

Funeral services were held at the home on Monday afternoon by the Rev. William Fenstermaker. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

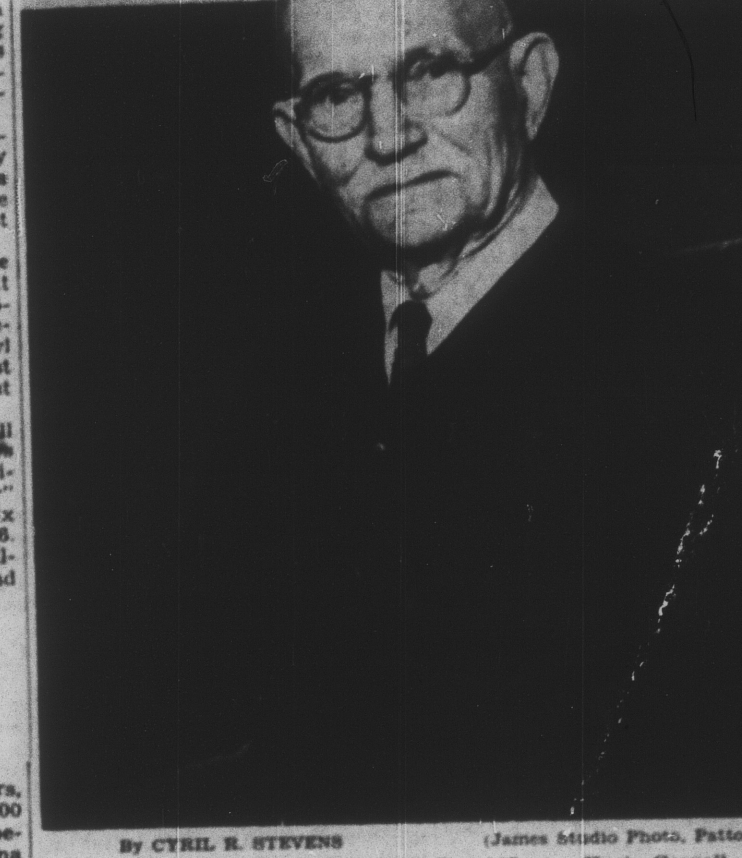
Expires At Cresson

Miss Hulda E. Burd, operator of a private kindergarten for the past 25 years in Cresson, feted her students at a Christmas party last Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday evening she was found dead in her home at 304 Keystone Ave., Cresson.

Richard P. Wilkinson, Cambria County deputy coroner, said death resulted from a heart attack. Miss Burd, about 62, lived alone. Her body was discovered about 11 p. m. by friend, Miss Burd was a sister of the late Attorney William H. Burd, Johnstown.

Isadore Yahner Still Very Active At 85

(James Studio Photo, Patton)



Isadore Yahner, retired Hastings businessman, is quite active and enjoys life at the age of 85. He exercises every day and with a rare exception attends Mass daily in St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Hastings.

Since he retired from the butchering and meat business in 1946, Mr. Yahner has taken up writing poetry. So far he has written about 18 poems, some of which have been published. He also enjoys taking part in contests. He said he has never won any but he gets recreation and information from taking part in the contests.

Mr. Yahner was born on April 7, 1867, in East Carroll Township, a son of Jacob and Helena (Long) Yahner. He and the former Mary Louvena Witt were married on May 27, 1890, in St. Augustine Catholic Church. Mrs. Yahner died in 1945.

Among their 12 children five have become religious—one priest and four nuns. Father Cyprian, formerly Gerald Yahner, is a member of the Benedictine Order of St. Vincent Archabbey, currently assigned in Baltimore. His twin sister, Sister Serenus, IHM, formerly Genevieve Yahner, is stationed in Lock Haven. A third religious, Agnes, now Sister Gertrude, is a member of the Benedictine Motherhouse in Pittsburgh. She is stationed in Vandergrift. Two other daughters, Mary and Margaret, became nuns, but both are dead now. The former was Sister Cecilia, O.S.B., who was a victim of the big influenza epidemic, and the latter was Sister Maria Immaculata, IHM, who died in 1934.

Two other of the 12 children also are dead—Gertrude, who died as an infant, and Edwin, who died in 1916 at the age of 23. The living children besides the religious already mentioned are Paul and Charles, both of Hastings, and James, Thomas and Germain, all of Reading. There are 10 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Yahner started out as a carpenter apprentice at the age of 18. At the same time he started teaching school and taught for 13 years. During the winter months he taught school, and during the summer he followed his trade as a carpenter. He taught in Croyle Township, Chest Township, Hastings Borough and Elder Township. When he first started teaching his salary was \$25 a month and he worked his way up to \$40 a month when he quit teaching 13 years later.

In 1899 Mr. Yahner became engaged in the butchering and meat business. For several years the business was operated as a partnership, but finally Mr. Yahner became the sole owner and operated it under the name of Yahner Meat Market. He continued the business until his retirement in 1940.

The Hastings man at one time served as secretary of borough council and borough school board. He resigned these positions when he entered business. However, he served several terms both as a school director and councilman. At present, he is a member of the Holy Name Society of St. Bernard's Church and of the Rosary Confraternity. He also holds membership in the Hastings Moose.

The Patton Ministerium, meeting at the Methodist Parsonage last Saturday, Dec. 27, arranged for the annual Union Week of Prayer Services which will be held next week, Jan. 4 through Jan. 9. The schedule of meetings and speakers is as follows: Sunday, Jan. 4—Trinity Methodist Church, Rev. John T. Drury, speaker.

Monday, Jan. 5—The Presbyterian Church, Rev. William E. Fenstermaker, speaker.

Tuesday, Jan. 6—The Baptist Church, Rev. Plummer Harvey, speaker.

Wednesday, Jan. 7—The Presbyterian Church, Rev. John T. Drury, speaker.

Dr. Willis D. Hall To Head Medical Staff At Hospital

Dr. Raymond Dandrea Accepted As Member

Dr. Willis D. Hall of Glen Campbell is the new president of the medical staff of Miners Hospital, Spangler.

He was elected to succeed Dr. A. M. Silensky of Barnesboro at the staff's annual reorganization meeting on Tuesday evening of last week at the hospital.

Other officers are Dr. Donald Shambaugh, of Carrolltown, vice president; Dr. John A. Murray of Patton, elected to his 18th term as secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Gerson Faden of Barnesboro, assistant secretary.

Dr. Silensky, Dr. Samuel L. Earley of Cherry Tree and Dr. Harry F. Graham of Barnesboro were named to the executive committee.

Dr. Raymond Dandrea of Patton was accepted as a staff member. A World War II veteran, Dr. Dandrea received his bachelor degree in 1947 from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, and his doctor's degree from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.

The young doctor is a son of Mrs. Lucy G. Dandrea of Patton. He served his internship both in the Miners Hospital and in Memorial Hospital, Johnstown. He will serve as a general practice physician on the staff.

Officials announced purchase of 200 pounds of candy which were presented as Christmas gifts to professional and non-professional employees of the hospital.

Pfc. Wm. E. Lender, Killed In Korean Fighting

Defense Department Notices Aunt, Uncle

Pfc. William E. Lender, 19, of Patton, was reported killed in action less than six months after going into combat with the Reds in Korea.

The soldier was 19 years old, and was a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Lender of Patton, who received a telegram from the Department of Defense informing them that Pfc. Lender had been killed. The soldier had made his home with his uncle and aunt.

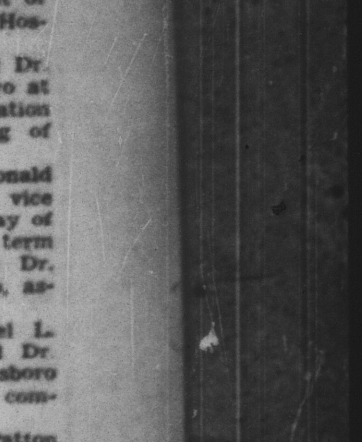
No additional details of the death of the young man were released. The telegram said that further details would be included in a letter.

When killed, Pfc. Lender was serving with the 108th Regiment of the 48th Infantry Division. At Thanksgiving time, the date of the last letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Aileen, Pfc. Lender was on the lines.

Pfc. Lender entered the service in January of 1951 and trained at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, before entering paratrooper school at Benning, Ga.

Patton Trio to Get Keystone Degrees

(James Studio Photo, Patton)



Harold Miller (left), James J. Karstman and William Trooban, all members of Patton Chapter of Future Farmers of America, will receive the coveted Keystone Farmer Degrees at ceremonies at the State Farm Show on Jan. 14. They were among the nine youths in the Cambria-Indiana area to earn the award.

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