

Alice Panczak Is Winner Of County Essay Contest

Miss Alice Panczak, 17, Spangler High School senior, has won first place in the annual essay contest sponsored by the Cambria County Council American Legion Auxiliary.

The winners were announced at the auxiliary's spring meeting last Thursday in South Fork American Legion Post 653 Home.

Miss Panczak's winning essay on "Justice, Freedom and Liberty—the American Style" will be entered in state competition. No date has been announced for the state judging.

Spangler senior recently won first place in the essay writing contest sponsored by the McDonald Post 7503, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Spangler.

Her winning Legion entry had won top honors in the contest sponsored by Spangler Post 908, American Legion. Last fall she took second place in the "I Speak for Democracy" contest sponsored by the Johnstown Junior Chamber of Commerce.

She was elected a member of Spangler Chapter, National Honor Society, in her junior year and is co-financial chairman of her class Yearbook. She has served on the student council and as a class officer.

An honor student, Miss Panczak is active in dramatics and art work.

Second place was won by Edward Gervinski, a junior at Portage Joint High and the third place award went to Ronald Freeman of Barnesboro High School.

In addition three junior high school winners were announced. They are Dennis Petryszak, Bakerton, first; Mary Ann Frederick, Sacred Heart School, Portage, second; and Patricia Yacain, Portage Junior High School, third.

Total of 13 county units were represented at the session. Mrs. John Whalen of Spangler, county director, was endorsed as candidate of department historian. Her name will be submitted

To Retain Same Tax At Barnesboro

Barnesboro School Board has announced its intent to retain its present tax levies for the 1954-55 school budget.

Present taxes include a one-half of one per cent wage and profit tax, a \$1.50 per capita tax and 30-mill property levy. Copies of the tentative budget now are being studied by board members.

At a meeting Monday night in the school, directors agreed to co-sponsor midweek baseball activities in the community again this year. In the past, the school district has been providing balls and bats and paying a director's salary.

The midweek baseball league may be enlarged from its present four teams to include eight teams. Several business and other groups have indicated they may sponsor a team this year.

The board also agreed to separate under Eastern Daylight Time this spring and summer in cooperation with a move to be made by borough council.

Directors commended William Taylor, high school principal, members of the faculty and students for their "fine work" in displaying students' projects at an exhibit last week in the school.

The report was heard from Robert Gobrecht, music supervisor, on the national music convention he attended last week in Chicago.

The board was informed in a letter from R. C. Bartman, executive director of the State Public School Building Authority that due to limitations on state appropriations, the authority cannot approve additional building projects with assurance of state reimbursements.

Meanwhile, the director wrote the board's application is being kept on file for consideration should limitations be removed or further appropriations made.

Three Donations Given By Auxiliary

Three donations were made by the auxiliary to Vozdak Post 508, American Legion, Barnesboro, at a meeting last Friday night in the post.

The group voted \$5.00 to Cambria County Unit, American Cancer Society; \$10.00 to the post for the Legion fair to be held in Ebensburg in July and \$5.00 to the scholarship fund.

Mrs. James Long Sr. showed films on Mexico. Members of the auxiliary who attended a county council meeting in South Fork last Thursday were Mrs. A. P. Strolo, Mrs. James DeConna, Mrs. Mary Whitened and Mrs. Rae Karp.

Next meeting will be held on May 14.

John C. Youngkin, Fallentimber, Dead

John C. Youngkin, 71, Fallentimber, died at 2:15 a.m. Tuesday at the University of Maryland Hospital. Born Feb. 24, 1883, in Plinton, son of Richard and Sara (Sneath) Youngkin.

Survived by widow, former Ruth Gallagher, stepdaughter, Mrs. Frank Sigmond, Altona; grandsons, two great-granddaughters, brother, Harvey, Akron, O., and sister, Mrs. Harry Kessler, Altoona, Veteran of World War I.

Brief services at 2 p.m. Friday in last home, at Plinton, by Rev. Harvey, Beaver Valley United Brethren Church, Rev. Harry Interment, Beaver Valley Cemetery. Arrangements in charge of Troxell Funeral Home, Glasgow.

Susquehanna Red Cross Fund Drive

Susquehanna Branch of Cambria County Red Cross Chapter has attained \$3,203.92 in its drive to achieve a quota of \$4,178 in the 1954 fund campaign.

Although the drive has been closed officially, further contributions are expected to be received during the next several days.

Officials are hopeful that increased efforts on the part of workers and continued interest from the public will enable the branch to meet its quota.

Dogwood Legend Popular At Easter

This is the second year we've had this beautiful story in this edition. Our readers have begun to expect it every spring.

Since spring is definitely in the air and the dogwood connected with this time of the year, and it's Holy Week, we can think of no better time to give it to them.

As we mentioned last year, the "legend" was originally written by a former newspaper man of Ozark, Ala., J. L. Miller. He published it in March, 1953. We are reprinting it from a copy which is the invaluable possession of Mrs. Leroy Bratton of Irvona, president of the True Blue Bible Class of the Irvona Presbyterian Church.

"At the time of the crucifixion, the dogwood attained the size of the oak and other forest trees. So strong and straight was the wood of it that it was chosen for the timber of the cross. To be used for such a cruel purpose greatly distressed the tree, and Jesus smiled upon it, sensed this, and in His gentle pity for sorrow, said to it:

"Because of your regret and pity for My suffering I make you this promise: "Never again shall the dogwood tree grow large enough to be used for a cross. Henceforth it shall be slender and bent and twisted, and its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross, two sets of petals and two short petals, and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be small prints, brown with rust and stained with blood. And in the center of the flower there will be an image of the crown of thorns and all who see it will remember it was upon a dogwood tree that I was crucified, and this tree shall not be cultivated or destroyed, but cherished as a reminder of My death upon the cross."

J. L. MILLER

Coalport-Irvona

Miss Marie Craft of Coalport has just returned from a two-week visit and motor trip to New Orleans. She was accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Taylor of Bedford.

While in New Orleans the worst of the winter weather prevailed and Mrs. Craft was hospitalized with a neck injury. Mrs. Kitcher, daughter of the hospitalized woman, received treatment for similar injuries in the office of a Hastings physician. C. J. Westover, Brookville, passenger in the Henry car, sustained brush burns of the right knee.

State police estimated damage at \$175 to the Henry car and \$200 to the Kitcher auto. The accident occurred about 3:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. August Schenley and son Bobby of Williamsport visited friends and relatives in Coalport on Saturday and Sunday. While here, Mr. Schenley purchased a new 1954 Chrysler at the Penn Auto Sales.

Three Injured In Hastings Mishap

Three persons were injured on Wednesday afternoon of last week in a two-car crash on route 36, three miles south of Hastings.

Operators involved were J. Beatty Henry, Brookville, and Mrs. Ruth Kitcher, Mahaffey, R. D. 2.

According to state police both cars were northbound when a third northbound car, traveling ahead, stopped near an intersection. The Kitcher car came to a stop behind the first vehicle, but the Henry car, unable to stop, rammed the rear of the Kitcher machine.

Mrs. Ruth White, 62, Mahaffey, R. D. 2, a passenger in the Kitcher car, was a patient at the Spangler hospital, with a neck injury. Mrs. Kitcher, daughter of the hospitalized woman, received treatment for similar injuries in the office of a Hastings physician. C. J. Westover, Brookville, passenger in the Henry car, sustained brush burns of the right knee.

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Two Killed During March On Roads

Two persons were killed and 18 others were injured in traffic accidents on Cambria County highways last month.

This was shown in a traffic report released by Sgt. James A. Blair, officer in charge of the State Police Substation in Ebensburg.

The toll from traffic accidents compiled includes only those accidents on county highways outside the City of Johnstown and the major thoroughfares where local police officers handle accident investigations.

State police investigated 32 accidents, involving 55 vehicles, in which the aggregate damage totaled \$13,985. Causes of the accidents included traveling too fast for conditions, 21; no right of way, 7; careless pedestrian and hit-and-run, 1 each, and miscellaneous, 2.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Brown of Coalport are rejoicing over the improvement of their child, who had been very ill.

Recent Deaths

Nickolas Kohan, Sr. St. Benedict—Nickolas Kohan, Sr., 66, of this place, died at 5:00 a. m. on Thursday, April 8, at his home.

Mr. Kohan is survived by his widow, the former Anna Lechmick, and these children: Joseph of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Catherine Weibrecht of Green Harbor, Mass.; Peter of Spangler; Andrew of Conemaugh; Miss Ann of Philadelphia, and William, Stephen, Helen and Nicholas Jr., and Michael, all of St. Benedict.

Mr. Kohan was a member of St. Benedict Local 2008, of the United Mine Workers of America and the Ukrainian Workmen's Association.

Mrs. Anna Wenglarz Coup—Mrs. Anna (Szwed) Wenglarz, 58, of this place, died on Tuesday, April 6, in the Memorial Hospital in Johnstown. She was born on Feb. 12, 1896 in Poland.

The deceased is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John Polinsky, of Revoc, and a brother, George, in Europe. Six grandchildren also survive.

A Requiem High Mass was sung at 9:00 a. m. last Saturday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Coupan and interment was made in the church cemetery.

David James Elden Hastings—David James Elden, 69, of this place, died at 8:00 m. last Friday, April 9, at his home. He was born on Sept. 18, 1884 in Houttsdale, a son of Robert and Harriet (Petcher) Elden.

Mr. Elden is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Reale Neyman of Grove City. He was a brother of John of Pittsburgh; Bert of Hastings and Mrs. Cora Beaver of Cresson. Also surviving are three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m. last Sunday in the Early Funeral Home, Hastings, by Rev. J. Walter Skillington, the pastor of the Hastings Methodist Church, and interment was made in Union Cemetery, Hastings.

Mrs. Blaine Berringer St. Benedict—Blaine Berringer, 70, of this place, died on Saturday, April 10, in Miners' Hospital, Spangler. He was born on Feb. 27, 1884 in Indiana County, a son of Alex and Beatie (Berringer) Berringer.

Mr. Berringer is survived by two sons—Leo and Verlo, both of St. Benedict; and four grandchildren. He was a brother of Mrs. Nellie Clawson and Glee, both of Rahway, N. J.; Mrs. Stella Lydic of Irwin; Mrs. Oneta King of Cherry Tree and Sherd of Greensburg.

Funeral services were held at 3:00 p. m. on Tuesday in Long Funeral Home, Barnesboro, by Rev. J. M. Kennedy and interment was made in Uniontown Cemetery in Indiana County.

Granges To Have Neighbor Night

A Neighbor Night meeting of all the granges in Cambria County will be held at Munster Grange Hall, Munster, on Thursday, April 22, at 8:30 p. m.

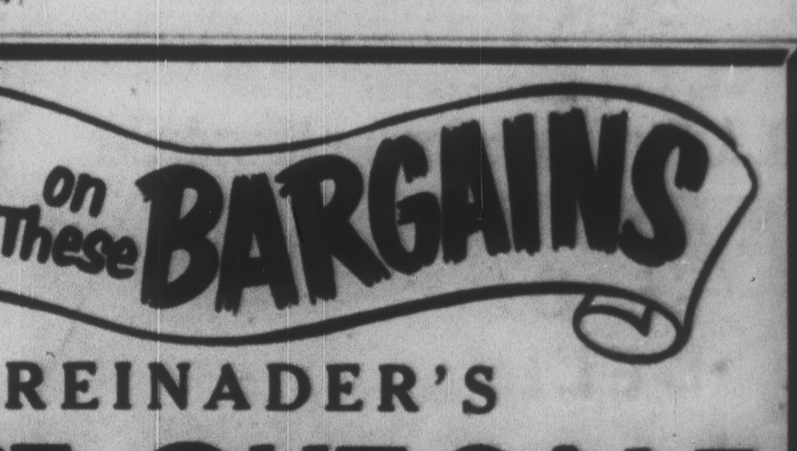
The Munster Grange will be host to the other granges. The Buckhorn and Crossroads Granges will present a program for the evening. All granges are cordially invited to attend.

TO RESUME SOCIAL GAMES Chest Springs will resume its Social Games in St. Monica's Parish Hall every Tuesday evening, beginning April 20 at 8 p. m.

Press-Courier ads pay best!



Age-old, yet ever-new, is the transcendent glory of Easter. And where else can you find its true meaning so beautifully expressed as in Church? Here, as you join with family and friends in song and prayer, you will experience anew in your heart the miracle of Easter, and return to your work-a-day world refreshed in spirit and strengthened in faith, hope and courage.



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As you gather with your family and friends in Church, this Easter morning, may you rejoice in the inspiration of the Easter message; may you find the renewed spiritual strength to face the problems of this world with high courage and ever-abiding faith and hope.

RUPP'S COALPORT, PENNA. NEXT DOOR TO FIRST NATIONAL BANK. MEN'S DRESS SHOES, fine quality, pair \$4.88.

BEAVER VALLEY W. S. W. S. Church Group Has Meeting. A meeting of the W. S. W. S. of the Beaver Valley E. U. B. Church was held at the home of Mrs. Gertrude McKee.

COALPORT-IRVONA. Miss Marie Craft of Coalport has just returned from a two-week visit and motor trip to New Orleans.

SUNRISE EASTER SERVICE. The Youth Fellowship of the local E. U. B. Church will be in charge of the Sunrise Service at 6:00 a. m. Easter Sunday.

COUNTY HYMN SING. Cambria County Hymn Sing will be held in the E. U. B. Church at 2 p. m. on Sunday, April 18.

SAVE on These BARGAINS GREINADER'S CLOSE-OUT SALE. Girls' COATS \$4.95. Girls' Toppers \$7.95, \$12.95. Girls' Dresses \$1.79 up.

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