

# Hastings and Vicinity

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## County Music Festival to Be First Big Event At Memorial

### Rehearsals Being Held In New Hastings Building For District Event Scheduled Friday, Feb. 4

Rehearsals were held here Friday for the All-County Music Festival, which will be held in Hastings on Friday, Feb. 4. This will be the first time that the outstanding annual music event will be held in the north of the county. In previous years the festival was always held in the South County sections.

Hastings' large new Memorial Building will be the scene of the coming event. Rehearsals will again be held here the coming Friday, and again on the afternoon of the festival, Feb. 4.

The program as announced by William Williams, music supervisor of Hastings-Elder Schools, is as follows:

#### Band Program:

National Anthem (Smith), Daniel L. Auebach, Strike Up the Band (Gershin-Scheinfeld), Paul L. Flynn, Slightride (Anderson), Edmund Horner, Skyline Overture (Morrissey), Daniel DiCiccio, They Call It America (A.R. Bennett), William D. Gruver, Song of Jupiter (Handel-Anderson), William Williams, Student Prince Overture (Romberg-Bennett), by Frank Opperman, Tenderly (Lawrence and Gross), Stephen Szenes, Liberty Bell March (Souza), Michael Karolchik.

#### Chorus Program:

Incline Thine Ear, O Lord (Arkhangelky), Charles Pietro, Rain and the River (Flox), Robert N. Gobrecht, Ave Maria (Victoria), William Doverspike, The Farmer's Daughters (Arr. Williams), Martha King, Comin' Through the Rye (Arr. Simoesne), Edward Mennsick, Rock-a-My Soul (Arr. DeVaux), Barbara Balthasar, It's A Grand Night for Singing (Rogers & Hammerstein), James Hepler, They Call It America (A.R. Bennett-Wilson), Wm. D. Gruver.

Madame-Suzer students who are participating in the festival are:

Joan Shultz, second flute; Lois Anna, second oboe; Sandra Veil, first clarinet; Shirley Fletcher, second clarinet; Richard McMullen, tenor saxophone; Dave Com-

mons, first cornet; Eugene Dietrick, baritone; Bass cleft; Eleanor Dietrick, first trombone; Connie Link, bass; Robert Sasway, snare drums.

**'Day Off, Nothing!'** Says 'Burnt Out' School Teacher

"So you have a day off, Nell," we remarked to Mrs. Nell Waltz of Hastings R. D. when we noticed her in town Monday afternoon. Mrs. Waltz is a teacher in the Garmentown Grade School which was considerably damaged by fire Monday morning.

"Day off—nothing!" Nell emphatically replied in her unique manner. "I've made at least four trips back and forth to school and have plenty to do in the clean-up process necessary."

Mrs. Waltz discovered the fire when she arrived at the school about 8 o'clock that morning. Damage was estimated at between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Classes for grades 1 through 4 were resumed Tuesday morning in two undamaged rooms of the four-room building, with grades 5 and 6 being transported to Emrich until repairs are completed.

**Hastings Rotary Honors Firemen**

Our Volunteer Fire Company members were recognized for their unselfish and generous service to our community and surrounding areas at last week's meeting of Hastings Rotary.

George Clark was in charge of the program and cited the many activities, such as providing blood donors in case of emergency, ambulance service and sponsoring a number of community programs. An outstanding one is the contribution of \$10,000 toward the recently completed Memorial Building. This group has the distinction of making the largest contribution of any group or individual.

Fire Company officers present were: Francis Domalik, president; Robert Tockley, vice president; Pat Dillon, secretary; Don Westover, treasurer; Leo Kline, chief, and Peter Kovalcin, Phil Gray and Louis Marcuzzo, trustees.

The following Rotarians spoke briefly: Paul McNeilis, James Commons, and Rev. J. Walter Skillington. Brief remarks were also made by Messrs. Domalik and Kline, representing the firemen.

**CORRECTION, PLIZ!**

Two corrections are in order as regards to last week's poem, when one word was misspelled and one was omitted. Corrected lines are as follows:

(And mainly imperceptibly.)  
(Oh would that someone soon could find.)

**FINAL REDUCTIONS**

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## Local Man Weds St. Boniface Miss

At Fort Campbell, Ky.

A pretty mid-winter Sodality wedding took place Saturday morning in St. Boniface Church St. Boniface, when Miss Mary Grace Anna, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Anna, of St. Boniface, became the bride of Donald Strittmatter of Hastings. The nuptial high mass was at 9 o'clock and Father Frederick Strittmatter, OSB, of St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a floor length gown of white lace. Her fingertip veil of nylon illusion was secured by seed-pearl and rhinestone tiara, and she carried a bride's missal with white carnations and ribbon cascade. Following the ceremony, she placed white poem poems on the Blessed Virgin Altar, while the choir sang "Mary, At Thy Feet, I'm Kneeling."

Miss Kathleen Anna, as her sister's maid of honor, wore a medium green gown of lace and net, with small matching bonnet. She carried an arm bouquet of pink carnations. Ronald Easley, of Hastings, served as best man. A wedding dinner was served in Commercial Hotel, Patton, and a reception was held in Eagles' Ballroom, Patton.

Upon return from a Poono's honeymoon, the newlyweds will reside in Hastings.

A graduate of Hastings High School, Mr. Strittmatter is an Army veteran, having just recently returned from service in Korea. The former Miss Anna had been employed in the Phillips-Jones plant in Patton.

**Hastings Miss to Be Bride In Spring**

The engagement was announced recently Miss Martha E. Endler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Endler, of Hastings, and Frank J. Speicher, son of Mr. Elizabeth and the late Frank J. Speicher, of Kingston. A late spring wedding is planned.

A graduate of Hastings High School, Miss Endler has been employed in Harrisburg for several years where she holds the position of Secretary for the Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York.

Mr. Speicher, a graduate of the Kingston High School, attended Wilkes-Barre Business College, and is now enrolled at the Pennsylvania State Extension School in Harrisburg, where he is also employed at the Mechanicsburg Naval Supply Depot. He is a veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict.

**Oscar E. Miller Buried Here Friday**

A former Hastings man was laid to rest last week in St. Bernard's cemetery here, following funeral services Friday morning in St. Thomas Church, Ashville.

Oscar E. Miller, 68, died Jan. 18, at his home in Ashbury, where he had lived for many years.

Born in Hastings, Jan. 9, 1889, he was a son of Adam and Julia (Schid) Miller. Surviving are his widow, the former Regina Naughton, and these children: Mrs. Kathleen Buchanan and Mrs. Bernice Lewis, both of Ashbury; Mrs. Ernestine Link, of Hastings, and Eugene, of Ashville. There are 15 grandchildren, and 4 great-grandchildren. Mr. Miller was a brother of Philip Miller, Allentown; Miss Julia Miller, Indiana; and Charles and Walter Miller, Hastings.

**Hastings Serviceman At Fort Campbell, Ky.**

Pvt. Bernard A. Westover, son of John Westover of Hastings, was recently sent to Fort Campbell, Ky. where he is assigned with Co. B, 27th Engineer Bn. (c).

Since entering the service Pvt. Westover has been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. and Hoare, Germany. He has the Good Conduct Ribbon and the German Occupation Ribbon.

**BISHOP SHEEN INSPIRED**

We wonder how many local folk heard Bishop Sheen on his Jan. 18 TV Program. The Bishop's talk was unusually good that night, as he spoke on "My Four Writers"—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

What a gifted speaker he is. Frankly, we think Bishop Sheen is inspired. No wonder he has such an unusually large audience and ardent admirers.

**LET'S GO BYE-BYE**

By GERTRUDE M. HOUCK

It's hot for the country of Bye-Bye, where Daddy's knee, A-straddle atop Daddy's knee, His hands big and strong as the struts.

Two soft little lips as the fee: And now we are off at a gallop Through meadow, and valley, and wood.

To visit with Tom and the Piper, Or even Red Riding Hood.

And maybe we'll call on the fairies, Down there in the butternut dell, For where Daddy Horsey will take us, The horsey himself cannot tell. So maybe we'll visit Miss Muffet, Or chance by the roadside to roam.

Where one little peg went to market, And one little piggie stayed home.

But this I know—oh, just as sure as The biggest of piggies could take, So surely we'll nod in the saddle— The gallop will come to a trot! And then we will be at the stable And tenderly horsey will stand While Mommy will lovingly lead us, To dream-bedecked Lullaby Land.

**Hurrray!**

This reporter is fiding the clouds! For—to express an old cliché—continued effort is bearing fruit.

Monday we really struck a bonanza when we received three acceptances all in one day. Two poems were accepted by a publishing firm in Dayton, O. One, "True Sympathy," is a 24-line poem, and the other, "The Pessimist," is a four-line verse.

But what was really thrilling was the acceptance from "Ideas" to top verse magazine published in Milwaukee, Wis. No wonder we are excited.

A writer can become decidedly depressed and discouraged at repeated rejections. But when an acceptance or two comes along, one's outlook is considerably brightened.

It takes a stout heart and plenty of persistence—plus optimism—to become a successful writer. And we've always contended that competing in the profession is a heart-breaking rat race. But so fascinating!

**Ladies Interested In Homemaking Projects**

A group of vicinity ladies met Wednesday evening of last week at the home of Mrs. C. B. Holtz of Hastings R. D. when "rug making" was the subject under discussion. Miss Kurtz of Ebersburg, home economics extension representative, was in charge.

The next meeting will be held at the Holtz home Feb. 16, with "knitting" as the feature. Anyone wishing to join the group, which will meet about once a month, is welcome and urged to do so. Various projects will be undertaken which should prove of considerable benefit to the homemaker.

**Mr. and Mrs. Paul Binder, Mrs. Naomi Little, Mrs. Arthur Lantz and William Triplett, all of York, and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Binder of Patton were guests Sunday at the Binder home here.**

Raymond Thomas was a visitor in Ashville last Thursday.

## Fifty Years Ago

Items taken from the files of the Cambria News, Jan. 27, 1905.

The M. M. Taylor Amusement Co. will present "Why Girls Go Wrong" at the Hastings Opera House, Feb. 2.

S. B. Hewlett and M. E. Cowher of Patton were callers in town Tuesday.

A large quantity of ice of a superior quality is being harvested in town this week.

P. J. Geus, the Nicktown land-lord, was a caller here on Tuesday.

Wm. Beveridge will put in a shooting gallery in his Beaver Street pool room.

W. C. Westover of Barnesboro was a business caller in town on Monday.

Mr. A. B. Earhart, chief clerk in the superintendent's office in Crosson, was in town Monday looking after railroad business.

Robert Dillon of this place and William Wetzel of Carrolltown have purchased the business of J. J. Hawk & Co., at Carrolltown and will take charge April 1.

A very enjoyable Assembly was held in the Opera House Tuesday evening with Stull's orchestra providing the music.

For Sale—A six room house on Spangler Street, plastered throughout and in fine condition. W. R. Streams, Hastings, Pa.

Mrs. Diana Price, wife of Edward Price of this place, died at her home in East End last Thursday of Bright's Disease, after a lingering illness. Interment was made in the Swedish Cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Found—A sum of money on the streets of Hastings. Owner can have same by calling at this office describing the money, giving satisfactory proof of loss and paying for this notice. A. M. Larson, Hastings.

St. Benedict Presbyterian Church

Plummer Harvey, STM, Minister

Sunday, Jan. 23—9:30 a. m., Holy Eucharist. Westminster Fellowship. Day. The pastor will be assisted in the service by LaVerne Saylor and Judy Stoltz. Moderators of Senior and Junior W. P. Groups, 10:30 a. m., Home Day School. James H. Stratten, organist. 7:30 p. m., Senior Westminster Fellowship. The pastor, moderator and Miss Ann Symons, counselor.

Monday—Boy Scout Troop 14 meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Tuesday—Explorer Post 14 meeting at 7:30 p. m.

Wednesday—Carol choir rehearsal at 8:30 p. m. and Chancel choir rehearsal at 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, Jan. 27—7:30 p. m., Junior Westminster Fellowship. Judy Stoltz, moderator and James Stratten, Telford Saylor and John Davidson, counselors.

Friday, Jan. 28—8:30 p. m., Planning meeting of the Women's Organization at the Bert Taylor home. At the last meeting of the Ladies Aid Society it was planned to merge the Ladies Aid and the Women's Missionary Society. The planning meeting will work on ways and means to form the merger. The new organization will be called The Women's Organization of St. Benedict Presbyterian Church.

**BUY SHOES**

Buy new shoes for young children as soon as needed even if the old shoes aren't worn out. That's the advice from Margery L. Beason, Penn State Extension clothing specialist. The foot of a young child can change a whole size in four to eight months.

—A woman would rather be idolized than understood.

**Colver PTA Views Social Security Film**

Irvin Tuttleman, assistant manager of Johnstown District office of the Social Security Administration, showed a film entitled "They Need to Know" at a meeting of the Colver Parent-Teacher Association last Thursday evening in Colver Grade School auditorium.

Mrs. Nora Mastreine, president, said five delegates will attend the Feb. 19 Founders Day meeting in Johnstown. They are Mrs. Tom Smith, Mrs. Clinton Bowers, Mrs. Ralph Eisenhower, Miss Viola Parrish and the president.

The membership chairman, Mrs. Heen Freidhoff, reported 428 persons now belong to the group. She said at least one parent of each pupil in the eight grades is a member. Room awards were given to Miss Parrish's Grade 1 room and Mrs. Florence Brown's Grade 6 room.

Tractors up on hilly ground. A hillside steep is out of hand.

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