

Obituaries

Rev. Crayton former pastor at Huntsville

The Rev. John W. Crayton, of 646 Rutter Avenue, Kingston, died Saturday in Methodist Hospital, Brooklyn, N.Y., where he had been a patient the past five days. He was born in Uniontown, Pa., Oct. 30, 1905, son of the late Herbert and Mary Brownfield Crayton.

The Rev. Crayton spent his early life in Uniontown and was a graduate of Uniontown High School, Adrian College, Adrian, Mich., and a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., following which he entered the Methodist ministry and he served the following churches: Stone Brook, L.I.; Southold, L.I.; Chenango Bridge, N.Y.; Vestal, N.Y.; retiring from active ministry in 1972. Following his retirement, Rev. Crayton served as interim pastor of the Huntsville Methodist Church for a few years. He was a member of the First U.M. Church of Wilkes-Barre and the Masonic organizations.

Rev. Crayton is survived by his wife, the former Evelyn McAllister; brothers, the Rev. Dr. Alfred L. Crayton, associate pastor of First U.M. Church, Wilkes-Barre; Ned B., Uniontown, Pa.

Funeral was held Monday from the First U.M. Church, Wilkes-Barre. Rev. Norman Evans, Pastor, and Rev. Norman W.

Clemens, associate pastor, Forty Fort U.M. Church, and District Superintendent Rev. William Reid presided.

C.J. Ranson was resident of Lake Twp.

Charles J. Ranson, 86, of RD 4, Dallas, died Saturday in Mercy Hospital where he had been a patient one week.

Born in Plymouth, he was the son of William and Hannah Coyle Ranson. He had been a resident of Lake Township for the past 20 years and lived in Kingston for many years. Before retiring in 1957, he was employed as an electrician 50 years.

Ranson was a World War I veteran, serving with the U.S. Army. He saw service in France during the war. He was a member of Gate of Heaven Church, Dallas, and its Holy Name Society. Ranson was also a member of Black Diamond Post 395 American Legion, Kingston, and its Last Man's Club. He was also a member of the IBEW. He was preceded in death by a son, William, in 1970.

Surviving are his widow, the former Ethel Blight; daughter, Mrs. Aileen Maye, Dallas; five grandchildren; eight great grandchildren; sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Hoffman, Shavertown.

Funeral was held Tuesday with a Mass of Christian Burial in Gate of Heaven Church. Interment was in Fern Knoll Cemetery, Dallas.

HL resident dies Monday in WB General

Anthony Ike Serhan, 60, of RD 1, Box 117, Harveys Lake, died Monday in General Hospital.

Serhan was born March 9, 1920, Bfirram, Lebanon and came to this country when six months old. He lived in Wilkes-Barre from then until 1944 when he moved to Harveys Lake.

He was the son of the late Moses A. and Rita Moses Serhan, formerly of Wilkes-Barre. Serhan was a 1938 graduate of Meyers High School and a World War II army veteran. He was an administrative aide for the 300th Field Hospital, Army Reserve Unit, Hanover Township.

For 18 years he was also a member of the 402nd Military Police Army Reserves and member of St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church, Wilkes-Barre.

His wife, the former Marie A. Shiner, died Oct. 29, 1963.

Surviving are children, Gary A., Harrisburg; Marvin T., San Diego, Calif.; David W. and Sandra M., at home; two grandchildren; brothers William M. Mountaintop, and Edmund, Wilkes-Barre.

Funeral was Wednesday with services at noon from St. Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church. Very Rev. Herbert G. Nahas officiated. Interment was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Carverton.



MAKING PROGRESS--Construction workers at the Franklin Street project in Kingston Township guide the first forms for the new bridge which is being built this summer. Work is progressing and the bridge is expected to be completed on time. [Photo by Mark Moran]

Nesbitt plans surgical classes

Nesbitt Memorial Hospital is sponsoring pediatric pre-surgical and post-surgical education classes on the first and third Tuesday of September in the Nurses Lounge of Nesbitt Memorial Hospital, 562 Wyoming Ave., Kingston. The next class is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 2, and an additional class is set for Tuesday, Sept. 16. Instructors will be D. Huff, R.N., Dot Battle, C.R.N.A. and A. Corbett, R.N.

Topics to be discussed are an explanation of the surgical procedure, a description of occurrences pre-operatively

and post-operatively, a tour of the pediatric department, a description of the procedure of anesthesia, a review of pre-operative laboratory work as well as the do's and don'ts prior to surgery and a review of the routine events after surgery including medication, respiratory treatments, surgical

dressings and family visitation.

The program is coordinated by the hospital's anesthesia, nursing and education departments. Classes are held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. To register or for further information, please contact Jane Danish, 288-1411 ext. 4010, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Parsons enters CG

Edward W. Parsons, son of E.W. Parsons of P.O. Box 157, Dallas, Pa., has been sworn in as a Coast Guard Academy cadet.

During this summer, he is undergoing training

which includes military familiarization, physical training and general military subjects. At the end of the period, the cadets will participate in a one-week cruise aboard the training barque Eagle.

The summer program is a basic indoctrination to life at the Coast Guard Academy. The academy offers four-year programs which lead to baccalaureate degrees and a commission as an ensign in the Coast Guard.



HOUSE OF CARDS--Some people build houses of wood or stone but three Back Mountain kids built a house and surrounding buildings of cards. Above, Scott Francis, Steven Shotwell and Eddie Kwak put the finishing touches on the project which took them approximately 10 hours and consists of 9,000 cards. [Photo by Mark Moran]

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