



ALL THE WAY TO THE TOP — Devery Sheffield, Princeton University track team manager, took advantage of an empty Palmer Stadium to get in a workout.

Staff photo by Tom Herde

North Jersey most populous U.S. area, data shows

U.S. Census figures again show that northern New Jersey is in the most populated area of the nation and central and southern New Jersey are right behind, but local officials said yesterday they believe there is safety in numbers.

The Philadelphia-Wilmington-Trenton area placed fourth on the list with 5.7 million people, a 0.6 percent rise from mid-1980. The study also said the population declines Philadelphia and New York experienced in the 1970s have stopped.

"Obviously, large numbers of people

attract more people," said Richard Porth, Trenton's assistant business administrator. "People tend to want to relocate where the action is and where large businesses are."

While Trenton's population has dwindled during the last few years, Mercer County's population has grown to between 350,000 and 400,000, Porth said.

"A lot of that growth can be attributed to industry coming in creating jobs and bringing in more people," he said.

Jersey City Mayor Gerald McCann observed, "More people congregate

where there are more people. More people draws more businesses. More businesses mean more jobs and more jobs mean more people."

The Census Bureau yesterday reported that the New York-northern New Jersey-Long Island metropolitan area remains first on the list of 36 areas with populations of 1 million or more.

THE AGENCY said the region, which had 17.6 million residents by mid-1982, experienced a 0.3 percent increase in population from mid-1980. The rest of the country experienced

an average 1 percent increase each year, according to the study conducted by Richard L. Forstall and Donald E. Starsinic of the Census Bureau's population division.

Overall, 111 million people or 48 percent of all Americans lived in the 36 million-plus population centers by July 1, 1982, the Census Bureau said.

In South Jersey, Mantua Township Committeeman Raymond Daminger said the Census study won't change his community's rural lifestyle because it is not expanding as rapidly as its neighbors.

Man claims insanity in shooting of wife

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A Titusville man claimed yesterday that he was insane in 1982 when he lay in ambush for his estranged wife and shot her twice with a rifle when she went outside to hang clothes, stopping his attack only when a shotgun-toting neighbor blocked his path.

Robert Wayne Lanterman, 43, a former Hopewell Valley teacher, is on trial before Superior Court Judge Richard J.S. Barlow Jr. for the July 24, 1982, attempted murder and aggravated assault on Margaret Lanterman. Lanterman faces additional weapons charges.

Testimony yesterday painted a portrait of a marriage gone sour after 11 years. In March 1982, the Lantermans agreed to separate for 18 months, the first step in New Jersey toward an uncontested divorce.

Three months later, Mrs. Lanterman filed for divorce, citing "extreme mental cruelty." She said her husband had "threatened me at work and wanted to move back into the house. The community was too small to avoid each other."

THEN, AROUND 5:30 p.m. on July 24, while she was hanging out some wash, she felt a "sharp, burning" sensation in her left shoulder.

She looked over her shoulder and saw she was bleeding. In panic, she ran toward the safety of her garage. She

reached the garage and collapsed, but not before a second .22 caliber bullet crashed into her hand. A third shot missed its mark.

In court yesterday, a neighbor of the Lantermans, Robert Burd of Revere Avenue, testified that he was sitting on his front porch when he heard "a pop or a bang."

Burd said he heard Lanterman's daughter scream, "Help! Somebody shot my mother. I saw Marge running... I ran inside and got my shotgun.... When I came out of the house, I saw Bob coming across the yard heading towards Route 29. He had a gun in his hand."

Burd said he ran toward the garage, where, "I heard the daughter screaming... I found Marge lying on the floor... he (Lanterman) was heading towards the garage."

"I pointed my gun at him, then I took his gun from him. The daughter was screaming, 'Why did you shoot her?'" he testified.

BURD SAID that as he walked the man away from the garage, a sobbing Lanterman told him "he had been there for hours waiting for her and that he had only wanted to scare her."

"He repeated that many times... he never told me he shot her, only that he wanted to scare her... he was very upset and crying," Burd testified.

Burd said that Lanterman told him that "he had recently seen his doctor and that he told him he'd kill her (his wife)," but the doctor had told Lanterman, "Everybody says that."

Lanterman's attorney, E. John Wherry Jr., asked Burd, "Did he appear to be communicating in a normal fashion?"

"No. Not in a normal fashion," Burd answered.

"What was his demeanor when you talked to him?" Wherry queried.

"He was in an emotional state," Burd said.

How the jury perceives Lanterman's emotional state during the early evening hours of July 24, 1982, is crucial for the defendant's case.

Wherry told the jury yesterday that several psychiatrists will testify that Lanterman was insane the night he shot his wife, thus providing enough evidence for the jury to acquit Lanterman by reason of insanity.

OBITUARIES

'The Joker's Wild' host dies in N.Y.

NEW YORK (UPI) — Television game show producer Jack Barry who started his broadcasting career in the 1940s at Trenton's WTTM radio station, died yesterday while jogging in Central Park, hospital officials said. He was 66.

Barry, who created the popular daytime game show "The Joker's Wild" and hosted it for the past 12 years, was pronounced dead at Lenox Hill Hospital about 1:20 p.m., a hospital spokesman said. Gene Shefrin, spokesman for Barry & Enright Productions, said the cause of death was a heart attack.

Barry and his wife had just returned from visiting their daughter, Barbara, in Spain, said Gene Shefrin, a spokesman for Barry's production studio.

Barry was jogging in the park near 64th Street and Fifth Avenue when he collapsed, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Barry went from WTTM to WOR in New York and took Dan Enright as a partner.

As well creating the "The Joker's Wild," Barry and Enright Productions created the longest-running daytime quiz show in network television history, "Concentration."

Barry and Enright also created and produced "Tic Tac Dough," the daily NBC series "Hot Potato" and produced for cable television "Nipsey Russell's



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Juvenile Jury."

Barry created the original radio version of Juvenile Jury in 1946. It aired on NBC-TV in 1947 as NBC's first commercially-sponsored show on its East Coast network. The program went national during the 1950s.

Barry and Enright also produced the quiz shows "21," "Life begins at 80," "Winky Dink and You" and "Dough Re Mi."

Barry was the owner and operator of Jack Barry Cable TV System in Los Angeles and was a partner in several other municipal cable systems nationwide. He produced several movies including the recently successful "Private Lessons."

Barry, who moved to Los Angeles in 1962, is survived by his wife, Patte Prebble Barry, and their four children. Funeral arrangements were incomplete.

Edward C. Tindall

EAST WINDSOR — Edward C. Tindall, 77, formerly of Maple Avenue, Shady Rest, died Tuesday at the Elms Nursing Home in Cranbury.

Born in Windsor, Mr. Tindall was a lifelong resident of the Hightstown-Cranbury area.

He was a retired carpenter.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

A graveside funeral service will be held 10 a.m. Friday at Greenwood Cemetery, Greenwood Avenue, Trenton. The Rev. Andrew W. McMillan, of the First Baptist Church of Allentown will officiate. Burial will follow under the direction of the Glackin/Saul Funeral Home, 136 Morrison Ave., Hightstown.

There will be no calling hours.

Helen Buzinski Lenco

LAWRENCE TWP. — Helen B. Buzinski Lenco died Tuesday in Helene Fuld Medical Center.

A lifelong Trenton area resident, Miss Buzinski was formerly employed by Curle F Industries in Trenton.

Surviving are three brothers, Walter and Frank Buzinsky(cq), both of Trenton and Dominic Buzinski, of New Holland, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be 8 a.m. Friday from the Winowicz Funeral Chapel, 865 Brunswick Ave. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9 a.m. in St. Ann's R.C. Church. Burial will be in St. Hedwig's Cemetery, Hamilton.

There will be no calling hours Thursday. Friends may call Friday from 8 a.m. until time of service at the funeral chapel.

Hal Runner

ALLENTOWN — Hal Runner, 69, of Lakeview Drive died Wednesday in St. Francis Medical Center, Trenton.

Born in Philadelphia, Mr. Runner had lived in Allentown for 34 years.

For many years he managed the shoe department in Lit Brothers Department Store, both in Trenton and Philadelphia and was later associated with Van Realty in Bordentown. He served for nine years as an Allentown Borough Councilman.

He was a member and past lay leader of the Allentown United Methodist Church, past president of the Allentown Lions Club, and a past deputy district governor of 16B, Lions Club.

Surviving are two daughters, Jan-Stoltz of Fort Collins, Colo., and Joan Ruddiman of Allentown; a son, Jay H. Runner of Mineral Wells, Texas; a brother, Edward Runner of Browns Mills; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Monday from the Pepler Funeral Home, 114 S. Main St., Allentown. Burial will be in Allentown Methodist Cemetery.

Friends may call Sunday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home with the Allentown Lions holding services at 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Allentown Lions Club, P.O. Box 162, Allentown, N.J. or the Allentown Public Library Association, P.O. Box 383, Allentown, N.J.

Albert C. Imhof

EWING — Albert C. Imhof, 66, died Wednesday in Helene Fuld Medical Center.

Born in Trenton, Mr. Imhof had resided in Ewing for 28 years and was retired from American Airlines after 28 years of service.

An Army-Air Force veteran of World War II, he was a 1st Lt. combat pilot in the China-Burma area, decorated with two Distinguished Flying Crosses and three Air Service Medals.

He was a member of Fraternal Lodge No. 139 F&AM of Trenton; a life member of Palestine Commandery Knights Templar; a member of Three Times Three Chapter No. 5 Royal Arch Masons of Trenton; and Royal Selected Masters of Trenton, J. Howard Harding Council No. 116.

He was a member of the Allied Pilots Association and the Pennington Road Fire Company and a charter member of the Abiding Presence Lutheran Church.

Husband of the late Edith Cartwright Imhof, he is survived by two daughters, Elizabeth E. Lipsky and Patricia M. Rauth, both of Trenton; four grandchildren, Brian and Amy Lipsky and Tammy and Joseph Rauth, all of Trenton; a brother, Oscar T. Imhof of Trenton; and a nephew.

Funeral services will be 9:30 a.m. Saturday from the Saul Colonial Home, 3795 Nottingham Way, Hamilton Square. The Rev. John W. Harding, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer will officiate. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

Friends may call Friday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the colonial home with Fraternal Lodge No. 139 F&AM offering services at 8 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to Abiding Presence Lutheran Church, 2020 Pennington Road, Trenton, N.J.



Imhof

Christopher C. Bell

HAMILTON — Christopher C. Bell, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Todd C. Bell of Groveville died Sunday in Mercer Medical Center.

Also surviving are his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Ford of Windsor; his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ray Bell of Groveville; and his great-grandfather, Louis J. Blauth of Hamilton.

Private funeral services will be held at the convenience of the family under the direction of the Saul Colonial Home, 3795 Nottingham Way, Hamilton Square.

Elizabeth T. Burkert

HAMILTON — Elizabeth T. Burkert, 102, and a resident of the Mercerville Care and Convalescent Center for the last 14 years, died Sunday in Hamilton Hospital.

Mrs. Burkert was a former resident of Washington Crossing, where she and her late husband George W. Burkert built their home which is now the Nature Center of Washington Crossing State Park.

She was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Trenton and the Titusville Presbyterian Church for many years.

Surviving are a nephew, Charles Struble of Elberon; and a niece, Helen Radice of Belleville.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday from the J. Allen Hooper Funeral Chapel, Inc., 45 N. Pennsylvania Ave., Morrisville, with the Rev. R. William Shaub, pastor of the Titusville Presbyterian Church officiating. Burial will be in Colestown Cemetery.

Friends may call Saturday from 9 a.m. until time of service at the funeral chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Titusville Presbyterian Church, 48 River Drive, Titusville N.J.

Dorothy K. Gillings

RINGOES — Dorothy K. Gillings, 84, of Old York Road, died Wednesday at home.

Born in Birmingham, England, Mrs. Gillings came to this country in 1929, and formerly lived in Cranford, Beach Haven and Bridgewater before moving to Ringoes four years ago.

A retired school secretary, she was formerly employed with the Cranford School System.

She was a member of the Kirkpatrick Memorial Presbyterian Church in Ringoes and the Women's Club of Long Beach Island.

Surviving are her wife, Mary Fedor Toth; a daughter, Anna Meisner and a son, Kenneth S. Toth, both of Mercer County; a sister, Yolanda Dolecki of Missouri; two grandchildren, Kenneth S. and Phillip R. Meisner Jr., both of Mercer County; and several nephews.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m. Friday from the Saul Colonial Home, 3795 Nottingham Way, Hamilton Square. The Rev. Leo A. Forsberg, pastor of the Christ Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery.

Friends may call Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. at the colonial home.

George J. Toth

HAMILTON — George J. Toth, 64, of Mercerville died suddenly Tuesday in Hamilton Hospital.

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, Mr. Toth had resided in the Trenton area for the past 31 years. He retired in 1976 from the United States Steel Corporation, Fairless Works, after 30 years of service. An Army veteran of World War II, he was a member of Christ Presbyterian Church of Hamilton.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Fedor Toth; a daughter, Anna Meisner and a son, Kenneth S. Toth, both of Mercer County; a sister, Yolanda Dolecki of Missouri; two grandchildren, Kenneth S. and Phillip R. Meisner Jr., both of Mercer County; and several nephews.

Richard Benedict actor, TV director

LOS ANGELES (UPI) — Actor-turned-television director Richard Benedict, best-known for productions of the action dramas "Lawman," "Hawaiian Eye" and "Surfside Six," has died after suffering a heart attack. He was 64.

Benedict, who turned to directing after failing to become a star performer, had been ill for a long time when he died last week in North Hollywood Medical Center, a family spokesman said yesterday.

The director also was known for his work on the "Run for Your Life" series, in episodes of "Mission Impossible" and "Charlie's Angels," and the long-running Angie Dickinson series.

Benedict was born Joseph Scirba in Italy and came to the United States as a boy.

He had a successful stint as a firefighter before starting his acting career in 1946. During the next three years, Benedict appeared in several

minor films and in "City Across the River." But in the same film was unknown actor Anthony Curtis, later Tony, and audiences only noticed the newcomer.

Acting disappointments led to the development of the technical side of Benedict's career. He became a dialogue coach and in 1954 he was dialogue director and bit player in "Act of Love," a Kirk Douglas film.

HIS CAREER moved away from acting and directing as Benedict managed a few unsuccessful fighters and served as a bartender. Finally, he captured a good part and was the assistant director under Lewis Milestone for "Ocean's Eleven" in 1960.

The success of the film led Benedict to the open doors of directing and the final stage of his career as a television director.

Saliba services

TRENTON — Funeral services for Saliba A. Saliba, 72, who died Tuesday at the University of Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia will be held Friday at 8 a.m. from the Hartmann Funeral Home, 539 Centre St. Requiem Liturgy will be celebrated at 9 a.m. in St. George's Greek Orthodox Church. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery. Friends may call Thursday from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Death Notices

TEDESCHI
In St. Francis Medical Center on April 30, Louis S. Sr. 83, of Trenton, beloved husband of Anna (nee) Forconi Tedeschi. The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral today at 8:30 A.M. from the Brenna Funeral Home, 340 Hamilton Ave. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 A.M. in St. Joachim's Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.