

Obituaries



A FIRING SQUAD presented arms as a casket containing the remains of Major General Alfred Verhulst was carried to its final resting place Sunday in the Sheboygan Falls Cemetery. The much-decorated veteran of World War II was born on a farm west of Sheboygan Falls in 1921. (Hill Photo)

Military Dignitaries Attend Services . . .

Honors Accorded Gen. Verhulst

SHEBOYGAN FALLS — Major General Alfred Verhulst, a Sheboygan Falls native, who commanded the U.S. Air Force Reserve's Eastern Region, was buried here Sunday with full military honors.

Maj. Gen. Verhulst, 54, died of a heart attack Dec. 23, in his office at Dobbins Air Force Base, Georgia.

Military dignitaries from air bases and the Pentagon attended the funeral services at the First Reformed Church in Sheboygan Falls and burial rites at Sheboygan Falls Cemetery.

The Rev. Cornelius Reynen, pastor of the First Reformed Church, and Chaplain Colonel Brad Burns, Dobbins AFB, officiated at the church services. Chaplain Burns also officiated at the graveside ceremonies.

A much decorated veteran of World War II, Maj. Gen. Verhulst was born March 7, 1921 on the family farm west

of Sheboygan Falls. He was the son of the late Leonard and Anna Roerdink Verhulst.

He graduated from Sheboygan Falls High School in 1938.

Fritz, as he was known to his friends and relatives, had attended the Falls High School 100th anniversary celebration this summer.

"I'm so glad he could make the celebration because he talked so many times about how much he enjoyed renewing his friendships with classmates," said Mrs. Alfred (Hazel) Verhulst.

She said some of his classmates with whom he had visited were attending the services from Texas and the east coast.

Mrs. Verhulst and her son, Randall, returned to their home at 59 Brookcrest Dr., N.E., Marietta, Ga., today. A daughter, Mrs. Jan Karen Smith, returned to Atlanta, Ga.

High-ranking military officials attending the funeral in-

cluded Brig. Gen. Joseph J. Lingle, Hill Field AFB, Utah; Brig. Gen. Ben Novarese, McClellan AFB, Calif.; Brig. Gen. William Hathaway, Hamilton AFB, Calif.; Brig. Gen. Ted Sorenson, Chicago.

Brig. Gen. Corcilius, Col. and Mrs. Charles Andrews, Col. Robert Hoffman, Col. Henry Schieble, Lt. Col. Edward Brown, Lt. Col. Thomas Kyle, Lt. Col. Frank Smith, Major Val Hendrix, T/Sgt. Henry Nehrbass, and T/Sgt. Marvin Bauer, all from Milwaukee.

Charles Marotske and Kenneth Jacobi, AFA, Wisconsin also attended the services.

Escorts from Dobbins AFB were Col. William R. Stack, Chaplain Burns and Chief Master Sgt. and Mrs. John Downey.

Mrs. Verhulst had words of thanks for the Dobbins AFB escorts for handling many of the arrangement decisions. "They were so helpful and

took care of everything," she said.

The Frederichs-Mueller-Norgaard American Legion Post 149, Sheboygan Falls, provided the graveside military honors.

Color guard Legionnaires were Jerome Bersch, John Roska, William Seich and Marvin Freund.

Firing squad members were Norbert Koene, Fred Keller, Robert Koene, Don Perronne, Harold Reimer, Willard Hoffman, Warren Eigenberger, Elroy Mauer, Dave Specht, Donald Bell and Richard Wachter, post commander. Bugler was Delbert Dicke.

Legion escorts at the church were Louis Wiesse and Frank Weber.

Honor guards Saturday and Sunday at the Huehns Funeral Home were Jerome Bersch, Merlin Sebald, Harold Reimer, Donald Bell, Richard Wachter, Wilbur Schultz, Grover Heimig and Willard Hoffman.

Mrs. Robert Schoemer

Mrs. Robert Schoemer, 64, of 1624 N. 11th St., died at her home Sunday night.

The former Armella C. Schlager was born in Sheboygan Dec. 31, 1910, a daughter of Joseph and Eva Kary Schlager. She attended Holy Name School.

On May 20, 1939, she married Robert Schoemer at Holy Name Church.

For the past 10 years, she had been employed at The Sheboygan Press and was currently working there as a proofreader.

Mrs. Schoemer was a member of Holy Name Catholic Church, the St. Anne's Christian Mothers Society of the parish, Catholic Women's Charity Club, and the American Newspaper Guild.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Tom, Jack and Paul, all of Sheboygan; two daughters, Mrs. Joseph (Ruth) Ross, and Mrs. Wesley (Louise) Henning, both of Sheboygan; six grandchildren; one brother, Joseph, Sheboygan, and three sisters, Miss Bertha Schlager, Miss Paula Schlager and Mrs. John Flynn, all of Sheboygan.

She was preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

The funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Holy Name Catholic Church. Family rites will be at 9:30 a.m. in the Gerend-Habermann Funeral Home. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday. A parish and combined society vigil will be held there at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

A memorial fund has been established in Mrs. Schoemer's name.

Frederick J. Walters

Frederick J. Walters, 79, of 614 N. 4th St., died Saturday evening at Heritage Nursing Center where he had been a resident for one week.

Born Feb. 7, 1896, in Menasha, he was a son of John and Louisa Walters. He attended school in Polar, Wis.

His marriage to Ella Rabe took place in Manitowoc on Oct. 19, 1919.

Mr. Walters served as a cook with the 127th Infantry during World War I, with one year of duty in England.

He was employed as a truck driver for the City of Sheboygan from 1930 to 1961 and was also janitor at the Municipal Auditorium at the time of retirement.

He was a member of Ebenezer Lutheran Church, Barracks 2091 Veterans of World War I, City Employees Association, and was previously active in Boy Scouting.

Surviving are a son, Roger of Sheboygan; four daughters, Mrs. John (Marjorie) Ertel, Mrs. LeRoy (Arlene) Graefe, Mrs. Lenore McCandless and Mrs. Roger (Caroline) Karsteadt, all of Sheboygan; 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Bert Walters of Madison, Peter Walters and Myron Mader, both of Antigo.

A daughter, a brother and three grandchildren preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. at Ebenezer Lutheran Church, the Rev. Victor Meyer, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Sunrise Memorial Park Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Ballhorn Funeral Chapel after 5 p.m. today until 11 a.m. Tuesday and from noon until the time of services at the church.

Barracks 2091 will hold a memorial service at the funeral chapel today at 7 p.m.

A memorial fund has been established in Mr. Walters' name for Ebenezer Lutheran Church.

Mrs. Emily Metzner

Mrs. Emily Metzner, 72, formerly of 2320 S. 10th St., died at Heritage Nursing Center Saturday afternoon. She had resided there the past six years.

The former Emily Withuhn, she was born at Haven on April 9, 1903, a daughter of the late Carl and Mary Withuhn.

She attended school at Haven.

On June 25, 1921, she married Alvin Metzner at St. Paul Lutheran Church. He died in October, 1971.

Mrs. Metzner worked at Wigwam Mills and as a nurse's aide at Sheboygan Memorial Hospital for about 10 years before retiring in 1965.

She was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

Surviving are one son, Ralph, Green Bay; eight grandchildren; one brother, Albert Withuhn, Sheboygan; two step-brothers, Carl Withuhn of Sheboygan and Bill Winkel of West Allis.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, two step-sisters and four step-brothers.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, the Rev. Earl Finnigsmier, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Ramm-Ziegler Funeral Home from 6 p.m. today until 10 a.m. Tuesday and at the church from 11 a.m. until the time of services.

A memorial fund has been established in Mrs. Metzner's name.

Mrs. Hilda Odekirk

Mrs. Hilda Odekirk, 80, of R. 1, Oakfield, Fond du Lac County, widow of Norman Odekirk, died Saturday afternoon at the Grand Care Nursing Home, Fond du Lac where she had been for five months.

The former Hilda Hornberg, she was born on Nov. 7, 1895, in the Town of Eden, Fond du Lac County, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hornberg.

On Jan. 21, 1920 she married Mr. Odekirk in the Town of Eden. The couple lived and farmed in the Town of Greenbush until 1948 when they moved to the Town of Plymouth. Mr. Odekirk died of Dec. 17, 1958.

For the past eight years she had lived with a daughter in the Town of Waupun.

She was a member of St. John Lutheran Church, Plymouth.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Gloria M. Denzin of the Town of Waupun; two sons, Harold and Delmar, both of the Town of Plymouth; 15 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and one sister, Mrs. Emma Scheid of Fond du Lac.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one daughter and two brothers.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, Plymouth, the Rev. Robert Wudy, senior pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Greenbush Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Wittkopp Funeral Home in Plymouth from 3 p.m. today until 11 a.m. Tuesday and at the church from noon until the time of services.

A memorial has been established in Mrs. Odekirk's name.

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Massacre

tragedy itself. Historians view Wounded Knee as the last fighting of the long Indian wars of the 19th century.

The clash culminated efforts by the Army to force Indians, including a group led by a chief named Big Foot, to return to the reservation.

In the months before Wounded Knee, tensions mounted and white settlers became alarmed. The report said the Army began action to get the Indians back on reservations, by persuas on if possible.

According to the account, the cavalry intercepted Big Foot's band. Rations and tents were given to the Indians and a conference arranged for the next day.

"Big Foot and the chiefs were . . . requested to persuade their followers to turn in their weapons," the Army

report said. "... Big Foot resorted to subterfuge and very few weapons were relinquished . . . A search of the tepees disclosed 60 concealed rifles. As a result of this concealment, the braves were asked to remove their blankets."

Shortly afterward, the shooting began and the fighting, much of it hand-to-hand, spread to the outskirts of the camp.

"It is reasonable to assume that a number of women and children were shot when the troops returned the fire that they had been receiving," the report said, noting some 65 soldiers were killed or wounded.

The Army acknowledged that "individual excesses occurred" despite what it called precautionary efforts to control the troopers' firing.

Traffic Death Toll 930

By The Associated Press

Eight traffic deaths during the Christmas holiday weekend, half of them in the first six hours, put Wisconsin's 1975 traffic fatality toll at 930

today compared with 908 on this date last year.

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Crime

gan, special agent in charge of the FBI's Milwaukee office, said on a television panel show there Sunday that "white collar crime" such as embezzlement and tax violations was continuing to increase in Wisconsin.

"It is the most difficult and involved to investigate," he said.

Hogan cited a U.S. Chamber of Commerce study which said showed that white collar crimes cost the nation \$40 billion a year.

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Woman's Body, Third In Eight Days, Found

RACINE, Wis. (AP) — The partially-clad body of a young woman was found late Sunday afternoon in a residential neighborhood here by a group of children.

Her body was the third woman in little more than a week to be found in the area,

and the fifth body to be found in the state in two days.

The partially-frozen body found alongside a tree near the Root River was clad in only a sweater and stockings. Panties, blue jeans and boots believe to be the victim's were found 150 to 200 feet away.

An autopsy was planned to determine the cause of death, but police said they suspected foul play.

The body of Josephine Stewart, 69, was discovered Dec. 21 on a Racine beach near her home. Police said an autopsy determined that she had been struck on the jaw and then strangled.

A body later determined to be that of Mildred Brant, 33, of Waukegan, Ill., was found Dec. 20 in a field at nearby Mount Pleasant after she had been missing since Dec. 10. An autopsy showed that she also had been strangled.

Both of the earlier victims had been found fully clothed.

The body of Arleen Reynen, 67, of De Pere, who had been missing since Dec. 19, was found Sunday morning by two teen-agers about three miles from the housing project for the elderly where she lived. Brown County Coroner Tim Blaney said death appeared to be due to exposure, and foul play was not suspected. But he said an autopsy was planned.

Mrs. Dolores De Graff, 45, of Ashwaubenon was found dead by relatives Saturday on the back porch of her suburban Green Bay home. Blaney said she apparently had fallen, and died of exposure.

Jobless

seasonally adjusting the figures, critics say. Shiskin concedes there have been difficulties with the seasonal factor, designed to remove effects of recurring events, such as Christmas, from the overall trend.

Critics also claim the popularly used jobless rate doesn't really measure the full extent of underemployment, which includes those working part-time, temporarily or beneath their skills.

The common theme that unites all critics is that if the jobless figures do not in fact reflect reality, then neither do the very important business and government decisions made with them as the basis.

Snow

snow flurries were reported across Wisconsin Sunday. Partially clearing skies in east-central areas Sunday night pushed temperatures to as low as four below zero at Hilbert. Cloudy skies elsewhere kept readings in the teens and 20s.

Highs yesterday ranged from 30 at Stoughton to 22 at Duluth.

Overnight lows included seven at Green Bay, 11 at Madison, 15 at Milwaukee, 21 at Park Falls and 26 at Ashland.

WHITE COLLAR BOOM

White collar workers will account for over half of all the nation's workers by 1980, The Conference Board reports. Blue-collar workers will account for only one-third of the work force and service and farm workers will comprise only 15 per cent.

The first European university was that of Salerno in the 9th century.



BOBBY SULLIVAN, 9, of Mequon rests at Chicago O'Hare International Airport after his ordeal aboard a plane that suddenly lost altitude and cabin pressure Saturday night over the Pacific between California and Hawaii. Bobby was in the cockpit of the charter DC-8 at the time. The plane was on its way from Honolulu. (AP Wirephoto.)

Obituaries In The News

Dallas Tarkenton Sr., SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP) — The Rev. Dallas Tarkenton Sr., father of Minnesota Viking quarterback Fran Tarkenton, died of a heart attack Sunday while watching the Viking-Dallas Cowboy playoff game Sunday. He was 63.

Mary King Patterson NEW YORK (AP) — Mary King Patterson, former woman's editor of the New York Daily News and widow of News' founder Joseph Medill Patterson, died at her home Saturday following a long illness. She was 90.

Mrs. Maris Garside LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Mrs. Maris Garside, pioneer Nevada newspaperwoman and writer, died Saturday night in a Las Vegas hospital after a long illness. She was 88.

Adell Infant Died Of Crib Syndrome

An autopsy on a 2½-month-old Adell boy found dead in his crib early Friday proved inconclusive as to an exact cause of death, Sheboygan County Coroner Dr. Andrew E. Cyrus said today.

Thomas H. Payne's death, Dr. Cyrus said, would be listed as resulting from the inexplicable crib death syndrome.

The youth was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Payne, 512 Edgewood, Adell.

He was found by his mother around 4:55 a.m. Friday in a motionless state in his crib and was pronounced dead on arrival at St. Nicholas Hospital.

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