Pierre DELIANT, a Belgian miner, was killed by a fall of slate at Brier Hill on Thursday morning. He leaves a wife and four children, the youngest of which is nine years old. They own a house and lot on Belgian Hill. Friday afternoon the remains were buried at Arlington. Deceased was well known as an honest, hard working man, struggling to make a home for his family in the country of his adoption. He was a regular attendant at the U. P. Church. - Mar. 13 to May 12, 1892 McDonald PA Outlook

A child of Monsieur ELOI, Belgian Hill, died on Wednesday. - Oct. 29, 1892 McDonald PA Outlook

On the 29th ult., of fever, near Nickel Plate mine, Mrs. Leante ELOI. Deceased was one of a party of six that came here from Belgium about six months ago, and only the two brothers, Joseph and Leante ELOI, remain. Mrs. Joseph ELOI died on the 17th ult. and two children of Leante ELOI died during the summer. - Dec. 3, 1892 McDonald PA Outlook

On the 16th ult., of diphtheria, a child of Arthur CHARLIER of the East End. On the 1st in the same family, of the same ... a child; and on the 9th in the same family, another child. A fourth child of Mr. CHARLIER is sick with the same disease. Dec. 10, 1892 McDonald Record

Of diphtheria, on Wednesday, daughter of Joseph CENIS, aged about two years. - Dec. 31, 1892 McDonald PA Outlook

Died, on the 12th inst., on Belgian Hill, Monsieur PENSIS, at an advanced age. He leaves a wife and seven sons and daughters. Died, at Willow Grove, on the 11th inst., a child of Mr. DEWEY, aged six months. The remains were taken to Tarentum for interment. - Aug. 19, 1893 McDonald PA Outlook

The body of a man supposed to be the missing Willow Grove man, Frank CHARLIER, was found this week on the railroad track at DENNISON. It was the body of a man about 45 years old and only four feet, four and a half inches in height. Nov. 24, 1894 McDonald PA Outlook

On the 11th inst., at her home in the Robb Valley, Mrs. MASQUELIER aged about 60 years. Deceased came from Belgium with her family about seven years ago. She leaves six children. Mrs. M. was noted for her deep piety and earnest Christian life. The funeral was on Tuesday, Rev. Mr. LITTLE conducting the services. June 16, 1894 McDonald PA Outlook

Peter C RENIERS, one of the finest sculptors in the city, died on Friday morning at the residence of his son, Thomas RENIERS, #225 Elliott Street, Brushton (PA). He was at the marble works the Saturday previous, and feeling slightly indisposed he went to the home of his son instead of returning to his own residence at Turtle Creek. He was taken with sharp pain in the night and in a very short time was delirious. A physician was hastily summoned, he pronouncing the trouble an attack of pneumonia, and declaring that recovery was impossible. Despite all care and attention Mr RENIERS passed away, thus ending a long and useful life. Peter Charles RENIERS was born in Antwerp, Belgium, March 28, 1825. In 1848 he came to America, first locating in Cincinnati. In '51 he came to Pittsburg, and at different times was connected with the firms of WW Wallace and John Lawton. About that time he married a niece of Mr. Lawton, Miss Hannah ARMITAGE, shortly afterward removing to Philadelphia on account of his health. There he was connected with the firms of John Baird and J F Jacobi. He returned to Pittsburg in the early '60s starting in business for himself on Liberty street, removing from there to Ninth, and from that location to 914 Penn Avenue where he remained for a period of 16 years. During the last year he purchased property and erected a shop and office at the new entrance of Homewood cemetery, East End. He was a sculptor of note, having made busts of Dr Kane, the Arctic explorer; President Pierce, Charles Spang, Alexander King, Thomas Scott and other equally well known men. He perfected himself in his art in the schools of Paris. The figures on St Paul's cathedral were cut by him, likewise those on St Peter's in Allegheny. General Hay's monument in Allegheny cemetery, was his work; also the Kearney monument in St Mary's cemetery, and the magnificent altar donated to Trinity church by the late J H Shoenberger. His wife and five of a family of six children survive him: CJ, the old country of his adoption. He was a regular attendant at the U. P. Church. - Pennsylvania Scrap Book Necrology, Volume 10, p. 138

Wednesday morning Frank VANDERMEEST, 59 years old, a single man, who boarded with F. BEYENS on Belgian Hill, hanged himself with a strap in a little brick wash house in the front yard of the place where he boarded. This man has for a number of years as the spring approached, always been for a few days demented. In the old country he tried once, when he had one of these spells, to kill himself. On Tuesday he met Mr. Nicholas EGBERT and said he had lost his senses and must commit suicide. Mr. EGBERT and others set a watch upon the man and early Wednesday morning they prevented him from shooting himself. Shortly afterwards, while Mr. E. was preparing to have him taken to the county home, he suddenly disappeared and was found dead by Isadore EGBERT.

1 In 1900 Isadore EGBERT, b 1874 in Belgium lived with his wife Laura EGBERT, b Apr 1879, Belgium and son Nicholas EGBERT b Feb 1898, PA in North Fayette Twp, Allegheny Co. PA
At Sturgeon, on the 25th, two-months-old child of Joseph MASQUELIER.
Mar. 28, 1896 McDonald PA Outlook

On the 22d, 4-year-old child of J. P. LERMINIAUX, East End.
Late Apr-Early May 1896 McDonald PA Outlook

At Champion on the 17th, of consumption, Eugene CARLIER, aged 48 years. Deceased was a native of Belgium. He leaves a large family.
May 22, 1897 McDonald PA Outlook

Mr. Hubert HOYAUX, father of Mr. Emile HOYAUX of Liberty Street, died on the 29th ult. at his home in Th__, Belgium, in his 71st year. Mr. H. was superintendent of a large farm. He raised a family of nine children, and gave them a fine education and a good start in life. The old gentleman visited his son Emile here about a year ago
Aug. 21, 1897 McDonald PA Outlook

On the 17th at his home on Belgian Hill, Martin SUPLIT, in his 73d year.
Deceased was a native of Belgium, and was one of the first settlers in McDonald. He leaves a large family of sons, well-known citizens. Mrs. V. F. MARLIER is his daughter. The funeral was on Sunday, interment at Robinson Run.
Aug. 25, 1900 McDonald PA Outlook

Daniel Bare, a pioneer resident and one of the oldest and most respected citizens of the borough, died this morning at 12:20 o'clock at the residence of his son-in-law, Pharmacist James H Sheridan, northeast corner of Third and Locust Streets. The deceased had been indisposed, though not severely so, for some weeks. On last Sunday night he suffered an attack of heart failure, which gradually sapped his strength resulting in his demise this morning. Mr. Bare was a son of the late Henry and Lambertine Bare and was born at Xhendremael, in the Province of Liege, Belgium, on October 15, 1828. He was deprived by death of both his parents in his eleventh year. In his early days he served his country in the First Regiment of Royal Belgian Lancers, from which he received an honorable discharge upon the expiration of his term of soldier life. Leaving his native country he journeyed to Austria, Spain and England and from the last named place sailed for America, arriving in New York City in 1856. He located in New York City, where he married Miss Adelphine GOURT. Later he went to New Haven, Conn. And still later, 1861, came to South Bethlehem, then named Augusta, where his services as an expert zinc smelter were secured by Joseph Wharton, the pioneer manufacturer of that metal in this country. Other Belgian zinc workers were engaged and over them Mr. Bare was employed for many years as night foreman until his resignation some years ago. The deceased was one of the first members of the congregation of the Church of the Holy Infancy and was active in the work of the same from the organization of the parish and until many years after. His bereaved widow, one daughter, Rose, wife of James H Sheridan, and five grandchildren, the Misses Annie and Rose and Masters Clement, Daniel and Bare Sheridan and two brothers in Liege, Belgium, survive. The funeral will be held on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock from the home of the deceased’s son-in-law and will proceed to the church of the Holy Ghost, where high mass will be said. Interment will be made in the family burial plot in St Michael’s cemetery. - From ----, South Bethlehem – 13 Jun 1901

Jos. MASQUELIER, aged 59 years, and for sixteen years a highly respected resident of McDonald, died Wednesday at noon at his home on Valley street extension. Saturday he worked in the mine, and a few minutes after he returned, suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he never rallied. He leaves a wife and three children-Joseph, Mary and Adaline, all the children being married. Funeral services this Friday at 4 o'clock, interment at Arlington.
- March 29, 1902 McDonald PA Outlook

The 15-month-old daughter of Sebastian DESCUTNER, who returned from Europe two weeks ago after a stay of more than a year, died Wednesday morning of membranous croup. The child was one of twins, the other being with its grandparents in France, where the mother died. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon by Rev. E. S. LHEUREAUX. Interment at Hilldale.
April 11, 1902 McDonald Record

On Wednesday April 9th, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastine DESCUTNER, on Belgian Hill. Services at 3 o'clock Thursday by Rev. LHEUREAUX. Interment at Hilldale.
- April 12, 1902, McDonald PA Outlook

Jules CHARLIER, Sr., died Wednesday evening, June 4, 1902, at his home, Robb's valley, after a long illness of a complication of diseases. The deceased was born in Belgium, February 12, 1843, and brought his family her in October 1879. He at once affiliated himself with the First U. P. church of McDonald, of which he has been a faithful and consistent member up to his death. The first to teach a French Bible class in the Sabbath school, his walk in life was circumspect and he died in the triumph of the faith. His wife and six children, J. J., the grocer, Fred E., manager of the Federal Supply store, Emile, a miner, Elie, a clerk in the Federal Supply store, Mary and Alice, at home, survive him, also five grandchildren. The funeral will be held from the First U. P. church this afternoon and the services will be conducted by the Rev. E. S. LHEUREAUX, assisted by Rev. W. D. IRONS. Interment at Arlington.
June 6, 1902 McDonald Record
Romey GERAM, 49 years old, a native of Belgium, died at the south Side Hospital on Tuesday, the result of injuries received by a fall of slate in Cherry Valley mine two weeks ago. He is survived by his wife and six children, residents of Cherry Valley. The funeral took place yesterday morning with services at St. Patrick's Church, Noblestown.

Mar. 12, 1904 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Irma VANDALE, aged 21 years, died on Wednesday, at her home in Cecil, of tuberculosis. She is survived by her husband. The funeral took place at Arlington this, Friday.

Jan. 30, 1904 McDonald PA Outlook

Hector ROMAIN² died at Sturgeon Wednesday evening. He leaves a wife and one son, Hector, 11 years old, to mourn his demise. Deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows and La Solidarite society. Funeral services at 3 o'clock Saturday; interment at Arlington.

Mar. 12, 1904 McDonald PA Outlook

Seraphin SCHOLLART, a native of Belgium and a well-known resident of Noblestown, died at the home of his son Monday evening, aged 85 years. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon. Interment at Noblestown cemetery.

Mar. 18, 1904 McDonald Record

Died, March 14th, Serefene SCHOLLAERT³, of Noblestown, aged 85 years.

*Sturgeon column - Mar. 19, 1904 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Desire DUMONT died at her home here about one o'clock Monday afternoon of pneumonia. Death came unexpectedly. She was apparently somewhat better in the morning and her son went to his work in McDonald as usual only to be summoned home by the sudden turn in his mother's illness. Mrs. DUMONT was a native of Belgium and is survived by her husband, one son Joe, at home, and two daughters, Mrs. Mary JOHNSON, of Glassport and Ida, at home. The funeral services were held in the U. P. church Wednesday afternoon by Rev. H. GARROU of McDonald. Interment at Centre.

Mar. 25, 1904 McDonald Record

Mrs. Amelia, wife of Eugene QUINET, aged 44 years, died Monday morning and was buried Tuesday afternoon at Arlington. Deceased leaves a husband and eleven children. - Dec. 10, 1904 McDonald PA Outlook

Ferdinand DE LUEGE, a native of Belgium aged 49 years, committed suicide at his boarding place, the residence of Mitchell BENOIT, East Lincoln avenue, early Tuesday morning. Shortly after midnight DE LUEGE woke Mr. BENOIT's son Fred, who slept with him, by pounding him violently on the chest. His manner alarmed the young man who left the room and slept elsewhere the rest of the night. Mrs. BENOIT went to waken the lodger about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning and was horrified to find him dead, he having hanged himself to the bedpost with a piece of clothes line. The deed had evidently been contemplated for some time as a new clothesline was found among his effects. Deceased had lived in this vicinity for fourteen years. He was an epileptic and several times by reason of ill health had been forced to become an inmate of the county home. For the past year he had worked in a hotel at Rosevale, but returned to McDonald about three months ago and sought work at his trade, that of a miner. Failure to secure work and brooding over his continued ill health probably made the man despondent. He was not penniless, however, as the coroner found $103.90 in his trunk. His funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon. Interment at Hilldale cemetery.

Mar. 3, 1905 McDonald PA Record

Eli BOURGNET⁴, aged 41, was killed in Jumbo mine Tuesday morning by a fall of slate. The accident was due in a measure to his ignorance of the formation in this mine, he having only been in this country a short time. A wife and five children in Belgium survive him. Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D., conducted the funeral services Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made at Hilldale.

Apr. 28, 1905 McDonald PA Record

Henry LONGRE⁵, who was hurt in the Carnegie mine at Primrose on Tuesday of last week and sent to the hospital, died the same day. The remains were brought to his home at Taylorstown where services were held by Rev. H. GARROU and Paul SAPPIE on Saturday. Interment was made at Centre. Mr. LONGRE was a native of Belgium and came here with an older son and a little

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² The 1900 US Census shows Hector ROMAINE, b Nov (or Feb) 1868 in Belgium, married for 7 y to Celine, b Mar 1873 in Belgium (mother of one child), and son Hector, 7, b in PA. Hector came to the US in 1888 – naturalized (entry best viewed in negative format) – The WWI Draft Registration cards have Hector (Jr) b 19 Mar 1893, PA

³ 1900 US Census lists him under Seraphin SCOLLARD, 80y, b in Mar 1820, in Belgium ; married for 56y to Mary, b May 1821 in Belgium (she has had 7 children, 5 of whom are living at the time the census was taken). They emigrated in 1880, he is still an alien. Their son Victor, b 1846 in Belgium lives with them. He’s a coalminer.

⁴ (or BARGNET) http://patheolminer.rootsweb.com/wasjumbo1.html

Belgian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1905, Jumbo Mine, Age 41, married, 5 children; Instantly Killed by a fall of slate, in the Jumbo Mine, April 25, 1905.

⁵ Lougree, Herbert, Belgian Miner, Coal Loader ca.1905, Primrose Mine, Age 42, married, 5 children.; Killed. Fatally injured by a fall of slate, in the Primrose Mine, May 17, 1905.
daughter. His wife and several small children remained in Belgium to dispose of some real estate there. This she had done and was on her way to America, expecting to land this week. May 26, 1905 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Clementina VERSCHNEREN, 39 years old, accidentally ignited a quantity of powder at her home at Champion, near Sturgeon, Monday morning, and was burned so badly that she died from her injuries. The house, which had been badly damaged by fire recently, was almost wrecked by the explosion. It is believed that Mrs. VERSCHUEREN was hunting for something in a closet, where powder was kept by her husband and two sons, who are miners, with a lighted match and that she dropped the latter into the powder. Mrs. VERSCHUEREN was alone when the explosion occurred, the other members of the family being upstairs. When found her clothes had been burned. A doctor was summoned from McDonald but the woman had inhaled the flame and lived but a few hours, death putting an end to her terrible sufferings. The funeral services were held at her late residence at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Mr. DOAK of Sturgeon M. E. church in charge. The remains were interred at Arlington.

*The deceased's name is spelled two ways in the obit. - June 9, 1905 McDonald PA Record

Prosper FLORET, a well known Belgian resident, died at his home on North McDonald street Friday evening, October 6th, his death resulting from injuries received while at work in the mines about one year ago. Deceased was 70 years of age and is survived by his wife. Funeral services were held in the French Mission Sunday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Henry GARROU. Interment was made in Hilldale. - Oct. 14, 1905 McDonald PA Outlook

Louis HAINAUT was so severely injured by a fall of slate in Brier Hill mine Friday morning that he died from the effects of his injury at 2:30 in the afternoon. Mr. HAINAUT was aged 54 years, 4 months and 14 days. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, three sons, Jules, who married Jeferine DESCUTNER, Louis and Alfred, and one daughter, Mrs. Ernest BROHET. Mr. HAINAUT was one of the brightest Belgian-American citizens of McDonald and was a charter member of the French I. O. O. F. of McDonald, also a member of the Solidarite Association. He will be greatly missed, not only by the Belgian people, but by his large circle of friends in this neighborhood. The funeral services will be held at his late home at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. - Nov. 4, 1905 McDonald PA Outlook

Frank BLANCHARD, a Belgian, 50 years old, shot himself Thursday at 5 p.m. near the Champion tipple. BLANCHARD tried to kill his wife and also Mr. and Mrs. Flore HALEE and then shot himself through the heart, he leaves a wife and 5 children. - Nov. 4, 1905 McDonald PA Outlook

Baptiste VERCAMMEN, a highly respected French citizen, aged 84 years, died at his home in Sturgeon, Thursday November 30, at 2 a.m., of pneumonia. Funeral services were held at St. Patrick's church, Noblestown this Friday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, Rev. Father BURGOON officiating. Interment was made in the Noblestown cemetery. - Dec. 2, 1905 McDonald PA Outlook

Frank DEHAUX, single, aged 54, died at this home on Belgian Hill, Tuesday, January 2d. He is survived by two brothers, Emile DEHAUX of Robb Valley and Alex. DEHAUX of Charleroi, and three sisters, Mrs. Mary MASQUELIER, Mrs. Elise MASQUELIER of McDonald and Mrs. Jennie MANANDISE of Charleroi. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon. Interment was made at Hilldale. - Jan. 5, 1906 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Leon GUYAUX of Sturgeon, aged 20 years, died at this home on Belgian Hill, Tuesday, January 2d. Funeral services by Rev. DOAK on Wednesday. Died Tuesday, Feb. 20, Mrs. Leon GUYAUX, aged 20 years. Mrs. GUYAUX died at the home of her parents on High street, Sturgeon. Funeral Wednesday at 3 p.m., interment at Arlington. - *Sturgeon column Feb. 24, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

Hector HOEBEKE, aged 59 years, unmarried, of Champion, died Friday, Feb. 16, of pneumonia. Buried at Arlington cemetery Sunday. - *Sturgeon column Feb. 24, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

Raoul Balza, the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Balza died at the home of his parents of 1006 Crest avenue at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The child had been sick of pneumonia and its death was of unexpected. Services will be held at the house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock after which the remains will be taken to the Charleroi cemetery to be interred. The Daily Mail – Charleroi, PA, 20 Apr 1906

A little girl of Frank BOHEY's of Cherry Valley, fell into a kettle of scalding water Saturday and died from the effects on Sunday. Interment Monday at Center cemetery. - *Midway column May 26, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

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6 Although not listed as Belgian here, the 1900 census shows this Belgian lady living in North Fayette Twp, Allegheny Co, PA
7 http://awt.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/jgm.cgi?ti=0&surname=vercammen&given=baptist
8 The 1900 US Census (North Fayette, Allegheny, PA) shows Leon GUYAUX, 27 (b May 1873, Belgium) as the son of Desire (b Aug 1848) and Mary (b May 1854). The parents have been married 28 years and have had 12 kids, 7 of whom are living in 1900. They emigrated to the US respectively in 1887 and 1889. Their other children are: Nicholas (b Aug 1882, Belgium), Nellie (b Nov 1884, Belgium), Mary b Sep 1890, PA), Gusty (son b Apr 1894, PA)
9 The 1900 US Census (North Fayette, Allegheny, PA) shows Hector HOEBEKE b Jun 1856, single, b in Belgium, emigrated in 1891. He is a coalminer.
Mrs. S. DEWITT and daughters, Mrs. Mary AGRAIN and Leona RHODE, were called to Tarentum Saturday by the sudden death of Mrs. DEWITT's sister, Mrs. LAMBERT. The deceased was well known here having been a resident of this town for many years.

*Midway column May 26, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

On Monday June 4, Mrs. Leon CENIS 58 years of age. Funeral from her home Wednesday June 6. Interment at Arlington. Mrs. CENIS was found about 6:30 o'clock Monday morning lying face downward, just as she had fallen, in about one foot of water in Robinsons run across the county line below the Nickle Plate coal tipple. About six o'clock she left her son-in-law's home to prepare breakfast for her son who works at the Jumbo mine and for whom she kept house on the North side of the creek. She has been afflicted with rheumatism for some time and it is evident that she slipped and fell from the five inch pipe on which she was attempting to cross and which is about 18 inches above the water. She was probably stunned by the fall and was unable to save herself. She was removed to the HUMPHRIES mortuary on Washington St. and the coroner of Allegheny Co. was summoned. After an investigation it was shown beyond doubt that her death was accidental. She is survived by four sons and two daughters, four of whom live in McDonald and the two, a son and a daughter, at Lore city O. - June 9, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Constance HUTSEBAUT, 68 years old, died Sunday, July 22, at her home at Cecil. The deceased at one time lived here, also at Midway. Her husband and three married daughters survive. The funeral took place Tuesday. Interment was made at Venice.

July 28, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

August DEWITT died Friday, August 3, 1906 after a lingering illness. Services were held from his late home on French Hill Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. D. GIBSON. Interment at Center Cemetery. He is survived by his wife only, and she expects to sell out and return to her old home in France. - *Midway column - Aug. 11, 1906 McDonald PA Outlook

Feb. 2, 1907 McDonald PA Outlook

Peter TAZAT, age 82 years and 8 days old, died Tuesday morning, January 29, at 10 o'clock, at the home of his son, Louis TAZAT, of Belgian Hill. Mr. TAZAT was born at Dampreny, Belgium, and landed in the United States on Christmas Day, 1880. His wife who survives him is in Belgium. Of their seven children only two remain. They are Louis TAZAT and Clemence, wife of Fred. SCRVAIS, both of McDonald. The funeral services were held in St. Alphonsus' church by Rev. J. A. BURGOON on Thursday morning. Interment was made at Noblestown.

Mrs. Peter SUPLIT died Thursday morning February 7, at the family home on Belgian Hill. The deceased is survived by her husband and infant child. The funeral services will be held at the First Presbyterian church Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be conducted by Rev. J. P JORDAN assisted by Rev. H. GARRON. Interment will be made at Arlington.

Feb. 8, 1907 McDonald PA Outlook

Pierre Joseph DESCUTNER, aged 59 years and six months, died Wednesday morning, March 13, at his home on Belgian Hill. Deceased had been a resident of McDonald for almost 22 years. The greater part of his life had been devoted to the occupation of coal mining and by his thrift he had accumulated considerable property. He is survived by his wife and ten children: Mrs. Maria THEBAUT of Seattle, Wash., Sebastian at home, Mrs. Emma MASQUELIER, wife of J. B. MASQUELIER, of McDonald, F. L. DESCUTNER, Peter E. DESCUTNER and Effren DESCUTNER of the McDonald Tea Company, Mrs. Zephirine HAINAUT, wife of Jules HAINAUT of McDonald, Miss Arthimisia and Zephirin and Harry at home. The funeral services were held Friday afternoon at two o'clock, by Rev. GARRON, assisted by Dr. IRONS. Interment will be made at Arlington.

Mar. 16, 1907 McDonald PA Outlook

Peter SCHOLLAERT, a well-known resident of Sturgeon, died Monday evening June 16, aged 53 years. His wife and eight children survive him. The funeral took place Wednesday morning with High Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Noblestown. The deceased was a member of the Solidarite Society and a very large concourse of people followed the remains to their last resting place.

June 21, 1907 McDonald PA Record

10 The 1910 US census (Midway, Washington, PA) shows Mary Agran, 39, b in Belgium, emigrated to the US in 1886, has been married for 19y to Isadore Agran, 50, b in France. They have had 3 children, only 2 of whom are alive in 1910: Jennie L, 17, b in PA and Franck I, 16 also b in PA

In 1900, Smith Twp, Washington Co, PA, Isidore Agran (b Jan 1862) and his wife Mary (b Nov 1872) shows the children to be: Jennie, b Sep 1892; Franck, b Jan 1895 and Louisa M b Jan 1899

11 The 1900 US Census, Cecil Twp, Washington, PA gives Constance, b in Mar 1836, Belgium, married for 32y to Frank HUTSEBAUT, b Dec 1843, Belgium. She has had 8 children only 4 of whom are alive at the time of the census. She and her husband emigrated in 1887. he’s a coalminer.

12 August Deuwitt - b Jun 1842, M30, b Belgium, emigrated 1886, Na, farmer; Wife, Noela?, b Mar 1839, M30, 3/3, b France, emigrated 1886 on the 1900 US Census, Washington Co, Smith Twp, taken the 8th Jun 1900

13 1900 US Census (Sturgeon, Allegheny Co, PA) show a Peter SCHOLLARD, 48, coal miner, b Mar 1852 in Belgium, husband of Matilde, 42, b Jan 1858 in Belgium (she had born 10 children; only 8 of them living in 1900: Julius, b Jan 1881 in Belgium; the rest born in Pennsylvania: Walter, b Sep 1883; Charlie, b Oct 1885; Nora, b Jul 1887; Desire, b Jun 1891; Lizzie, b Oct 1892; Willie, b Aug 1895; Frank, b Jan 1900.
Mrs. Fanny PLETINCKS, 72 years and nine months old, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Victor CENIS of Liberty street, Tuesday evening, July 23, a few minutes before midnight. Mrs. PLETINCKS was a native of Belgium. Her husband, John PLEINCKS, died twenty-eight years ago. She is survived by one son and three daughters. They are Adolph PLETINCKS of McDonald, Mrs. A. MASSON of Cecil, Mrs. C. BASCOURT of Hays, Pa., and Mrs. Victor CENIS of McDonald. The funeral services were held at the latter’s home yesterday afternoon by Rev. H. GARROU. Interment was made at Arlington.  
July 26, 1907 McDonald PA Record

Emile, the six-months-old son of Albert Quinet, west of Primrose, died Wednesday of summer complaint. The funeral will take place this afternoon.  
Aug. 2, 1907 McDonald PA Record

The thirteen-months old son of Peter Degraff of Cecil died Monday. The funeral, conducted by Rev. W. D. IRONS and Rev. H. GARROU took place Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made at Venice.  
Aug. 9, 1907 McDonald PA Record

The six-year-old son of Frank Legrand of Primrose died Monday of diphtheria. Interment on Tuesday in Centre cemetery. The little boy was sick but two days.  
*Midway column - Oct. 4, 1907 McDonald PA Record

Victor Scollart, aged 62 years, died Thursday morning at Noblestown, of paralysis. He was never married and is survived by one sister and one brother. Interment was made at Noblestown cemetery Friday afternoon.  
Dec. 28, 1907 McDonald PA Outlook

Killed in Fayette mines Sturgeon, January 15th, Augustine BRACAVE, aged 42 years. Mr. BRACAVA was a member of Franco-Belgian lodge of Sturgeon and was buried by the lodge Sunday at Arlington cemetery. Mr. BRACAVA leaves a widow to mourn his loss.  
Jan. 23, 1909 - McDonald PA Outlook

Constant BACU, died Saturday, March 13, at Laurel Hill, aged 67 years. Funeral services at his late residence Monday, March 15, conducted by Rev. ENGLISH. Survived by his wife, four sons and two daughters: Victor, Fernall, John, Herman, Laura and Jermaine. Interment at Robinson Run cemetery Monday afternoon.  
Mar. 20, 1909 McDonald PA Outlook

Alfred COFFRIER, 74 years old, a native of Belgium, died n Friday, May 14, at the home of his nephew, Fred Motte, on Belgian Hill. He was a miner by occupation and had never been married. The aged Mrs. Motte of Belgian Hill is a sister. Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon by Rev. H. GARROU. Interment was made in Hilldale cemetery.  
May 21, 1909 McDonald Record

Alexander SOUFFRANT, 62 years old, died at his home in Sturgeon on Friday, November 6. The deceased was born in Belgium and came to this country in 1889. He was a resident of McDonald for about four years, afterwards moving to Sturgeon, where he had resided ever since. He is survived by his wife, three sons, August SOUFFRANT of Sturgeon, Jules SOUFFRANT of Auburn, Ill., Fermin SOUFFRANT of Eldorado, Ill., three daughters, Mrs. F. CARLY of Sturgeon, Augusta and Phoebe SOUFFRANT at home. Two brothers and one sister also survive him. The funeral took place on Sunday and was very largely attended. Interment was made in Robinson’s Run cemetery.  
Nov. 12, 1909, McDonald, PA Record

The funeral of A. J. DEBRUXELL(E)S took place from the family home at Cecil on Monday. Mr. DEBRUXELES died in Colorado, where he went last fall in the hope of regaining his health. He was aged 63 years and was prominent in Cecil, where he conducted a general store for about fifteen years. His wife and three daughters survive.  
Dec 1910, McDonald PA Record

Amelia, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. MASQUELIER, died on Sunday evening, January 16, at her home in South Sharon. Mr. MASQUELIER and family had resided here a number of years, until about a year ago when they moved to South Sharon. Amelia was very bright and punctual in her school duties, and was well liked by her friends, who were many. She is survived

14 The 1910 US Census (Pennsylvania, Washington Co, Cecil), shows Peter Degraff, 50, b in Belgium, emigrated in 1885 with wife Pauline, 47 also b in Belgium. She had 14 children only 9 of whom are alive at the time of the census: Victor, 22 b in Belgium, the others were all born in Pennsylvania: Daniel, 17; Joseph, 15; Frank, 12; Arthur, 11; George, 9; Angel, 7 and Jules, 5
15 The 1910 US Census (Mount Pleasant, Washington, PA) shows Frank Legrand, 44, coalminer, b in Belgium, emigrated in 1894, naturalized, married for 16 y to Susy, 37, also a native of Belgium. She had 7 children, only 4 of whom were alive in 1910: Olga, 15, b in PA; Elva, 14, b in MO; Helen, 12, b in MO and Frank, 2, b in PA
16 The 1900 US Census shows him in South Fayette Twp., Allegheny co, PA, living with his parents: Seraphin Scollard, b Mar 1820 in Belgium and his mother Mary, b May 1821 in Belgium (mother of 7 children – 5 of whom are alive in 1900) Victor was born in 1846 in Belgium. He emigrated in 1880 and is naturalized. Next door to them lives the family of Charles Scollart, a brother maybe?
by her father and mother, one sister, Celina, and two brothers. Funeral services were held from her home on Wednesday afternoon. Interment at Sharon. - Jan. 21, 1910 McDonald PA Record

**George DRUGMAND**, whose death was reported in last week's issue of the Record, was a student in the eighth grade of Imperial school, and his teacher and classmates offer the following as a tribute of respect to his memory.

*Poem cut

*The February 4 issue of the Record was badly damaged, and the obit mentioned was not on any of the available pages, so Victoria Hopodar included this to mark the death.

*From a separate column he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. DRUGMAND

Feb. 11, 1910 McDonald PA Record –

Mrs. Marie DESCUTNER17, 28 years old, wife of Peter E. DESCUTNER, died at her home on Valley street, Friday, February 18, at 4:45 a.m., of tuberculosis, after an illness of several years. Mrs. DESCUTNER is survived by her husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Desire POSKIN of Charlier street, and two younger brothers, Valentine and Emile, who reside with their parents. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon from the French church on North McDonald street. The friends that gathered for the service were so many that only about half could find room in the church. The services were conducted by the Rev. H. GARROU, assisted by the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D., and the Rev. J. P. JORDAN. Interment was made in the Hilldale cemetery.

Feb. 25, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Katherine CENIS, aged 78 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jules GOFFART of Laurel Hill, Tuesday morning, March 15, at 5 o'clock, after an illness of several days of pneumonia. Mrs. CENIS was born in Belgium, but came to America seventeen years ago, and had resided in this locality for the greater part of this time. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. CAUCHIE of South Side, McDonald; Mrs. NOE of Lore City, Ohio; Mrs. BOULANGER of Dietz, Wyoming, and Mrs. Frank GOFFART of Laurel Hill; and three stepsons, Max CENIS of Irwin, Joseph CENIS of Liberty street and Edward CENIS of Montana. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, conducted by the rev. H. GARROU. Interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Mar. 18, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Peter CHARLIER died Monday afternoon at his home here after an illness of about two years. The deceased was born in Belgium, January 16, 1853. The remains were removed on Tuesday to his son Arthur's residence in McDonald. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon. Interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetery.

*Midway column - Mar. 18, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Desire WAUTHIER, aged 59 years, died at his home in Sturgeon of heart trouble, Monday night, March 21. Mr. WAUTHIER had been a hard working man until about four years ago when he retired. He was born in Belgium and had resided in this locality about twenty-five years. Mr. WAUTHIER was well liked and respected by all who knew him. His wife, who is an invalid, survives him, also two daughters, Mrs. F. BENNETT of Arkansas and Mr. A. CHARLIER of McDonald, and two sisters, Mrs. SOUFFRANT of Sturgeon and Mrs. GAINAUX (GALNAUX?) of Belgium. Funeral services were held at his home on Thursday afternoon. Interment at Robinson's Run cemetery. - Mar. 25, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Alphonsus BEAUMARIAGE, a well to do retired miner, died at his home in Cecil at 2:45 o'clock, Monday afternoon, May 23, following an illness of considerable duration. He was 57 years of age. Four sons18 survive. Funeral services were held at the late home on Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment at Venice. - May 27, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Rosalie TAVERNIER, wife of Louis TAVERNIER of Laurel Hill, died at her home on Sunday morning, August 7, at 7 a.m. She was 36 years of age. The funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon. Interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetery. Besides her husband two small daughters (Renee and Alice19) survive. Mr. TAVERNIER was badly injured several weeks ago, while at work in the Briar Hill mine and is still confined to his home. - Aug. 12, 1910 McDonald PA Record

The death of Mrs. Adele20 WAUTHIER, aged 56 years, occurred Tuesday morning, August 16, at one o'clock. Her death was due to apoplexy. Funeral services were held Thursday at 4 o'clock. The interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetery. Mrs.

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17 Marie and Peter DESCUTNER were married less than a year at the time of the 1900 census (North Fayette, Allegheny, PA). They lived next door to her parents Desire and Mary POSKIN. Marie was born in Belgium in May 1882 and emigrated in 1887. Peter, her husband, was born in Apr 1877 in Belgium. They had no children.


19 The 1910 PA Micrcode indicates that Louis was 41, Rosalie was 36, Rene(e) was 12 and Alice was 6 (b PA)

20 Also known as Della; the 1900 US Census – North Fayette, Allegheny, PA shows she was born in Jun 1853, in Belgium; had been married 25y, had 4 children, 2 of whom are alive in 1900, emigrated in 1896, while her husband had been in the States since 1884
WAUTHIER is survived by two daughters. They are: Mrs. Frank BINET of Sturgeon and Mrs. Arthur CHARLIER. Her husband, Desire WAUTHIER, died five months ago. - Aug. 19, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Adolphine DUMONT 21, aged seventy-four, died on Thursday at the Washington Hospital. She was taken to the hospital suffering with bronchitis two days before. The remains were brought to her son Emil's residence on Saturday and the interment was made in Center cemetery on Sunday. - *Midway column - Aug. 19, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Joe DELAHANT was killed in the Carnegie mines in Primrose on Wednesday, by a fall of slate. He was a Belgian and had been in this county about two years. After he was found the body was taken to the undertaking establishment of W. F. NASH and later taken to his home near Primrose. He is survived by his wife and two children, who have been in this country but a short time. - *Midway column - Aug. 19, 1910 McDonald PA Record

Nicholas EGBERT, 64 years old, died at his home in Coal street, on Monday evening, January 9. The deceased was born in Charleroi, Belgium, and came to this place thirty years ago. His wife 22 survives him and these children: Emma, the wife of J. J. CHARLIER, Lena the wife of Arthur BAILEY, Florry, the wife of Eli CARLIER, Isadore and Jules, all of McDonald, and Helen the wife of F. J. SCOUVART of Avella, Pa. The funeral services conducted by the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D., and the Rev. Alexander MAGE, B. D., were held Thursday afternoon. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery. (Charlier and Carlier are really two different names) - Jan. 13, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Antony ROMAIN, a well-known Belgian, died at the home of his daughter at Champion Sunday morning, June 25, about 6 o'clock as the result of cancer. He was aged 70 years. Three sons and two daughters survive. The funeral services were held at the late home Tuesday afternoon. Interment in Robinson Run cemetery. - June 30, 1911 McDonald PA Record

George, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander POSKIN of Valley street, died Tuesday evening, June 27. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon, the services being in charge of the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D. Interment in Hilldale cemetery.

June 30, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Antoinette SUPLIT , 81 years old, widow of Peter SUPLIT, died Monday night, September 11, at 11 o'clock, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. NIMAL, Center avenue. Mrs. SUPLIT was born in Belgium and with her husband came to McDonald thirty years ago. The death of her husband occurred twelve years ago. Mrs. SUPLIT was well known among the French residents of this section. Besides the daughter, Mrs. Clarissa NIMAL, with whom she resided, four children survive as follows: Mrs. Victor MARLIER, John J., Peter and J. B. SUPLIT, all of this place, and Elisha SUPLIT of Springfield, Ill. The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the French Church. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Sept. 15, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Died, Friday, September 22, the seven-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmond DOUMONT. Funeral services were held from the family home on Sunday at 2 p.m., the Rev. J. G. REANEY officiating. Interment in the Center cemetery.

*Dmidway column - Sept. 29, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Victor, the one-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar DECREOO of Sturgeon, died of pneumonia Sunday, October 29. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. J. B. CAVITT. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Nov. 3, 1911 McDonald PA Record

The funeral services for the late Peter Joseph LHEUREUX were held at Rice, Friday, November 17. The Rev. John G. HILTON, conducted the services. Mr. LHEUREUX was born in Belgium, November 26, 1831 and died in this city on November 14, 1911. He was married to Marie Catherine Henriette HERMANS, March 6, 1861. To this union was born ten children, four sons and six daughters, of which three died in infancy. He is survived by his wife, two sons and five daughters, on brother, three sisters and ten grandchildren. The family came to America in 1869 and located at Braidwood, Ill., where the deceased engaged in the hazardous work of a coal miner. They came to Kansas and settled on a claim in Lawrence township in 1876, where they lived until about a year and a half ago the aged father and mother moved to Concordia. The eldest son is a missionary in Porto Rico (sic); a daughter, Miss Lydia, is teaching Spanish and French in the public schools of Albuquerque, New Mexico; another son is a barber in Atchison, while the others, we understand, live in this county. Mr. LHEUREUX is a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. Much might be said in depicting the incidents in the life of this old settler of this county, yet it would be but a repetition of the lives of the others, we understand, live in this county. Much might be said in depicting the incidents in the life of this old settler of this county, yet it would be but a repetition of the lives of the others, we understand, live in this county.

21 The 1910 PA Miracle indicates that she is living with her son Julius DUMONT in Washington Co, PA
22 The 1900 US Census give her name as Philomene, b in Belgium in Jan 1849; Nicholas was b in Belgium in Oct 1847. At that time, they had been married 30 years; Philomene indicated she had had 9 children, 6 of whom were alive at the time of the census. A son Jules, b in PA in Feb 1894 lived with them. Next door lived their daughter Lena BAILY (b in Jan 1871, Belgium), wife of Gustave (b in Belgium in March 1868) and three children: Victor, b Oct 1892, PA; Arthur, b Sep 1894, PA and Ernest b Jan 1897, PA. The Nicholas EGBERT family arrived in 1881, one year after Nicholas.
the stars and stripes, had after a painful self-denial of small luxuries and often of necessities, they muster the means to reach the goal of their ambition. The long passage over in the steerage, the first job in honorable toil that is offered is taken and the self-denial is again the rule and practice with the hope for better things. Enough is accumulated for a start in Kansas and hither they came. More toil, more self-denial, more effort to succeed in the face of discouraging conditions and unpropitious circumstances, but hopeful ever and with their faces set to the rising sun and never backwards they fought to win and they gained the victory. Our friend who was laid away today was of that type of foreign born American citizen. He was a good neighbor and a steadfast friend. He had the respect of his neighbors and fellow citizens, because he deserved it. He raised a fine family and left them the priceless heritage of a good name bequeathing to them a liberal education and citizenship in a land of unbounded opportunities. This was a goal of his early ambition, this the victory he had won. He lived to a ripe old age, to enjoy the fruit of his early toil and self-denial. He lived in that peace which comes as a reward for an honest life of well-doing and correct living.

*The Kansan of Concordia, Kansas - Dec. 1, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Syska BAKEN, aged 54 years, wife of John BAKEN, a well known Belgian of Champion, died at her home Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock, after an illness of several days. Besides the husband four children survive as follows: Oscar of this place, Mrs. John MUTE of Moon Run, and Anna and Paul at home. Mrs. BAKEN was a member of the St. Patrick's church of Noblestown. The funeral takes place this Friday afternoon.

Dec. 1, 1911 McDonald PA Record

Joachim DUCOEUR, a well known Belgian resident of Charleroi died Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock at his home at 708 Lookout avenue of apoplexy. Mr. DUCOEUR was about 52 y old and had lived in Charleroi about nine years. He had three brothers in America and three in Belgium. Besides his wife, Mr. DUCOEUR leaves three sons, Fernand, Joseph and Arthur. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the house. The interment will be in the Charleroi cemetry. Rev. J E Charles will officiate. — The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA, 11 September 1912

Maximilian MORSAINT, aged 69 years, died at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, December 24, at his home in Sturgeon. He was a native of Belgium and had been a resident of this section for thirty years. His wife and one married daughter survive. Funeral services were held at the home Thursday afternoon, the services in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVITT. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Dec. 27, 1912 McDonald PA Record

Vital SCOUVART, 67 years old, died at his home in Coal street, Tuesday morning, January 7. He came to McDonald about 26 years ago from his native country, Belgium. He was married to Miss Petronille DELVEAUX in 1869. She survives him, also one son, Frank SCOUVART of Avella, Pa. Funeral services, in charge of the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D., and the Rev. Mr. HAINY, were held at his late home on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Jan. 11, 1913 McDonald PA Outlook

Gabriel, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry DUBOIS, died at their home Wednesday, January 8. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon. Interment in Hilldale cemetery. - Jan. 11, 1913 McDonald PA Outlook

Dominique DELVAL, aged 67 years, a well-known Belgian miner, died at his home at Cecil Thursday morning, February 13, at five o'clock, after an illness due to dropsy. He was born in Belgium and came to McDonald thirty years ago. Mr. DELVAL reside her for 20 years and then removed to Cecil. The wife and four sons and four daughters survive. The funeral services will be held at the DELVAL home at Cecil Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D. Interment in the Venice cemetery. Feb. 21, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Only 15 years old and married but three weeks Mrs. Emil POSKIN drank two ounces of carbolic acid at her home in Valley street at 8 o'clock this morning. She died two hours later. Mrs. POSKIN was Mary VEYDT. Her husband is but 20 years of age. Member of Mrs. POSKIN's and the husband's families deny that quarrels with her husband are responsible for her taking her own life. No other reason has been assigned. The funeral was held from the late home in Valley street Tuesday afternoon. The Solidarite order, the members of two lodges of which attended in a body, was in charge. Interment was made in Hilldale cemetery.

May 9, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Mary, the two-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DHINAUT of Sturgeon, died at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, May 9. Besides the parents one sister survives. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the home. - May 16, 1913 McDonald PA Record

P. F. GOSSIAUX, aged 45 years, a Belgian miner, died at his home here Tuesday morning, May 20, after an illness of three years due to tuberculosis. He was born in Belgium. The wife survives. He also leaves a son and three daughters: Jules and Miss Simora GOSSIAUX at home, Mrs. Aena MONTIGNE of Monessen and Mrs. Della FERZAI of this place. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at the home. The interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetary. - May 23, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Louise ALLARD, 24 years of age, wife of Paul ALLARD, died Monday morning, May 19, at 5 o'clock at her home in Valley street. Her death was due to tuberculosis. She had been ill for the past two years. Besides her husband she leaves one daughter, Gwendola. One brother also survives, Louis ROMESTAN, who made his home with her. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made in the Hilldale cemetry. – May 23, 1913 McDonald PA Record
Mrs. Catherine PENSIS, aged 78 years, died at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, June 11, at the home of her son, Miles PENSIS, in Miller street. She was born in Belgium. Besides the son with whom she made her home, two sons and three daughters survive. The funeral services will be held this (Friday) afternoon at two o'clock at the PENSIS home. The interment will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. - June 13, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Joaquine WALTIGNY, aged 97, died Monday night in the home of her daughter, Mrs. August SAVAGE. Mrs. WALTIGNY was born in Belgium and lived there until she was 79 years old, when she crossed the Atlantic alone and went to Charleroi to live with her daughter. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. August SAVAGE of Charleroi, Mrs. J. F. CARLIN of McDonald and Mrs. BIOUX of Belgium. - July 4, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Pauline QUINET, age 60 years, died Tuesday afternoon, August 19, at 4:30 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. G. JAMISON, in Sturgeon. She was born in Belgium, coming here to this country twenty years ago. Her husband has been dead several years. Besides the daughter, Mrs. JAMISON, she leaves two sons, Emile and Patrick QUINET of Farrell, Pa., and Mrs. Catherine CASHDOLLAR of Sturgeon. The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVTT. The interment in the Robinson Run cemetery. - Aug. 22, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Evidently with the purpose of committing suicide, Mrs. Victorine DAMS, aged about 50 years, member of a well-known Belgian family of Sturgeon swallowed a quantity of paris green at her home Tuesday morning and died that afternoon at 3 o'clock. Mrs. DAMS was discovered in her home Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock by a neighbor and was then in a critical condition. A physician was summoned and worked with her constantly until her death but to no avail. Members of the family can offer no reason for Mrs. DAMS' act. They state there had been no quarrel of any kind that she was in the best of spirits when the husband, Louis DAMS, and sons, August and Louis, Jr., left home in the morning to go to work. Mrs. DAMS was born in Belgium, coming to McDonald about 15 years ago. Besides the husband and two sons, three daughters survive: Mrs. William SCHUMAKER and Mrs. Mary FINLEY of Sturgeon, and Mrs. Josephine JEANETTE of McDonald. The funeral services were held at the home Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Oct. 3, 1913 McDonald PA Record

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul MONTIGNY was buried Monday, September *9. Interment in Bridgeville cemetery. *Sturgeon column - Oct. 3, 1913 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Desire GUYAUX, aged sixty-one years, died at her home in Sturgeon, Wednesday morning, October 15, at six o'clock, following an illness due to pneumonia. She was born in Belgium, coming here with her husband about twenty years ago. The following children survive: Mrs. Celine ROMAIN and Mrs. Nellie PHILLIPS of Sturgeon, Mrs. Elida KINNEY of Steubenville, and Marie, Gustave, Leon and Nicholas, all at home. The funeral services will be held at the home Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. The interment will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Oct. 17, 1913 McDonald PA Record

The badly mangled body of John GILBERT23, a miner of Primrose, aged 45 years, was found on the Panhandle railroad Sunday morning at ___ o'clock by a track walker. The man had evidently been dead for some time and it is supposed that he was struck by a train during the night. GILBERT had been in McDonald during the early part of the night and started to walk to his home going along the railroad because it was easier walking. What train or when he was hit is not known. GILBERT was employed in the Primrose mine of the Carnegie Coal company. He leaves a wife and nine children, six sons and three daughters. The body was brought to the

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23 The 1910 Census Mt Pleasant, Washington, PA shows John GILBERT, 54, b in Belgium, miner, emigrated in 1886, naturalized, married for 16 years to Ida, 33, also b in Belgium, emigrated in 1885. She has born 7 children by 1910, all of whom are living at the time of the census. They were all born in Pennsylvania: Isadore (son) 16, Eugene 14, Peter 13, Matilda 9, Jane 7, Lena 5, John 3.

The 1920 Census shows that Ida stayed in Mount Pleasant. She rents the house where they reside. Six of her children are still with her. Eugene, 22 is a miner; Jane 15, Lena 15, John 13, Nestor 9, Joseph 6.

The 1930 US Census shows that Eugene, 32 got married 6 years later, to Anna, 27 b in Pennsylvania, with 2 children Eugene Jr, 3y 8m and Floyd, 1y 7m; Ida, 51, still resides in Mount Pleasant too with many of her children: Isadore, 34 (widower); John, 22, Nestor, 19, Joe 16 and Lena 21 along with married daughter Anna PATTERSON, 27; Peter lives in Independence with his wife Minnie ROGERS, 24, b in PA. They have 3 children: Thelma M, 7, Elizabeth J 5, Harry W 11. Living with Peter are 2 brother-in-laws Harry ROGERS, 13 and Robert ROGERS, 19. They were harder to find in the 1900 Census as for a time they apparently resided in Richland, Ohio County, West Virginia where we read: John GILBERT, miner, b Jan 1874, in Belgium, has been married for 5 years to Ida, b Jul 1878 in Belgium who has had 3 children, all of whom are living: Isadore, b Mar 1896 in Pennsylvania, Eugene, b in July 1898 in Pennsylvania and Peter, b Dec 1899 in Ohio.

The Social Security Death Index adds more information:

Floyd R GILBERT, b 21 Aug 1928 – d. 11 Oct 2003, McDonald, Washington, PA
Eugene GILBERT, b 4 Jul 1897 – d Feb 1975; McDonald, Washington, PA
Harry GILBERT, b 21 Jul 1919 – d Oct 1980, McDonald, Washington, PA
Nestor GILBERT, b 27 Apr 1910 – d 16 Jan 1993, McDonald, Washington, PA

The WWI Draft Registration Cards also give information about:

Eugene GILBERT, b 4 Jul 1897, PA -
Isidore GILBERT, b 25 Mar 1896, PA- tall, medium built, gray eyes, brown hair
Peter GILBERT, b 11 Dec 1898, PA -
morgue of Deputy Coroner HUMPHRIES and taken to his home Sunday evening. The funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The interment was in the Center cemetery at Midway - Feb. 28, 1914 McDonald PA Outlook

After a year and a half's illness, Hubert Joseph BRONCHAIN, aged 64, died of asthma at his home on Belgian Hill, Monday morning, May 18th, at 4:10 o'clock. He was born in Charleroi, Belgium, November 1, 1849. Mr. BRONCHAIN came to this country in 1887 and had lived in McDonald ever since. He is survived by his wife and three children: Mrs. Leon RANDOUR and Mrs. Emma CARROLL of McDonald, and Fred BRONCHAIN of Carnegie. Funeral services were held at St. Alphonsus' Church Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, conducted by the Rev. Father MANISE, the French missionary. Interment in Noblestown cemetery. May 22, 1914 - McDonald PA Record

Following a five weeks' illness caused by the extreme heat, Louis MICHAUX, a well known carpenter of McDonald, died Wednesday. Five weeks ago MICHAUX was at work on the new high school building when he was overcome by the heat. He steadily grew worse until his death. The dead man was 36 years of age. He was a native of Belgium but had resided in McDonald for the past 30 years. He leaves his wife and four children. There also survive his father, Louis MICHAUX, Sr., one brother Frank and one sister, Leona MICHAUX, all of McDonald. (July 31, 1914 McDonald PA Record)

Mrs. Henrietta TOURNEY, wife of Gregory TOURNEY and a well known resident of McDonald died Wednesday night, June 10, at the family home on Belgian Hill. She was in her sixtieth year. Death was due to apoplexy, Mrs. TOURNEY having been ill for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. TOURNEY came to McDonald from Belgium 28 years ago and had many friends here. Mrs. TOURNEY was a member of the French United Presbyterian Church. Beside her husband she leaves one daughter, Mrs. RICHIE of McDonald, and five sons, Gregory, August, Gustave and Harry of McDonald and Charles of Canonsburg. Funeral services were held in the French church Friday afternoon. The services were in charge of the Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE. Interment was in Hilldale cemetery. June 19, 1914 McDonald PA Record

Eugene GILBERT, aged 71 years, a well-known resident of Primrose, died at his home there Friday, November 6, following an illness due to pneumonia. He was born in Belgium but came to this section 28 years ago with his wife and had resided here since. He was a member of the French church and one of its most active workers. His wife and one son, Joseph, at home, and three married daughters survive. The daughters are Mrs. HENNON and Mrs. NESTELL of Primrose and Mrs. MATTHEWS of Midway. One son was killed in the mine and another died of typhoid fever within the past year. Funeral services were held at the home Tuesday afternoon in charge of the Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE. The interment was in Center cemetery at Midway. Nov. 13, 1914 McDonald PA Record

Desire GUYAUX, 67 years old, a well known resident of Sturgeon, died at his home on Saturday evening, December 5. Mr. GUYAUX was born in Belgium but had lived in Sturgeon the past twenty five years. His wife died last October a year ago. He is survived by three sons and four daughters. They are: Leo and Michael GUYAUX of Sturgeon and Gustave GUYAUX of Oakdale, Mrs. Romain DAGUE of Sturgeon, Mrs. KENNEY of Steubenville, Ohio, Mrs. Mattie PHILLIPS of Imperial and Miss Marie GUYAUX of Michigan. Mrs. GUYAUX's funeral was held Tuesday afternoon from his late home in Sturgeon. Interment was made in Robinson's Run cemetery. Dec. 11, 1914 McDonald PA Record

Stricken by heart trouble as he was making a small purchase in the store of Louis TAZAT near his home on Belgian Hill Friday, Henry DEHAUT dropped to the floor and was dead before a physician could reach his side. Mr. DEHAUT had appeared in his usual health all day and had not complained of feeling unwell when about 8 o'clock he left his house to go to the store. Mr. DEHAUT was born near Liege, Belgium, 67 years ago. Twenty-two years ago he and his wife came to America, settling in McDonald, which has since been their home. For many years Mr. DEHAUT was employed in the mines. He retired from active work about ten years ago. His wife survives. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery. Dec. 18, 1914 McDonald PA Record

After a long illness, Prosper DEVREUX died Tuesday morning, February 2, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. August GATY, in Valley street. He was 77 years of age. Mr. DEVREUX and his wife came to McDonald from Belgium about sixteen years ago. Mr. DEVREUX was formerly employed in the mines but of late years he had led a retired life. He leaves his wife and two daughters, Mrs. GATY and Mrs. Vincent JIANNINO of McDonald. Funeral services in charging of the Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE were held in the French church Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was made in the Hilldale cemetery. Feb. 5, 1915 McDonald PA Record

At 7 o'clock Monday morning occurred the death of Emma, the four-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John LAGRAND of Belgian Hill. Death was due to pneumonia. Besides the parents one brother survives. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, interment being in Hilldale cemetery. - Jan. 15, 1915 McDonald PA Record

Following an illness of but a few hours John B. DUBOIS, a well-known Belgian (sic) resident of this place died at 5:30 o'clock Tuesday morning at his home in Miller St. Mr. DUBOIS was at his work at Jumbo mine of the Pittsburgh Coal company Monday as usual. He complained of illness in the evening and during the night rapidly grew worse. Heart trouble was assigned as the cause of death. The dead man was born in Belgium 61 years ago and came to America 16 years ago. His wife survives. He was a member of
the Solidarite society. Funeral services were held at the DUBOIS home Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - *January 16, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Apolexine ESGAIN, wife of Frank ESGAIN, died Thursday night, April 1st, at 10:30 o'clock at her home at Cecil. She was 58 years of age. A native of Belgium, Mrs. ESGAIN came to this locality about 1890. She leaves her husband and two sons, Frank E. ESGAIN of Champion and Adolph ESGAIN of Kentucky. Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in Robinson's Run cemetery. - *Apr. 9, 1915 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Adrien DUSSERE, aged about sixty years, a member of one of the best known Belgian families of the Panhandle section of Washington county, died at her home at Hanlin on Saturday evening, June 5th, at six o'clock following an illness due to a general decline. She formerly resided in McDonald. The death of her husband, Adrien DUSSERE, occurred about one year ago. Two sons and two daughters survive: Mrs. Donald HELLAIRE of Donora, Mrs. Emile ROBERTS and Adrien and Louis DUSSERE, all of Hanlin Station. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon. Interment was made in Hilldale cemetery. - June 11, 1915 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Amelia BERGER, wife of Leon BERGER, and a well known resident of this place, died at 7 o'clock Saturday evening at the home of her niece, Mrs. J. B. ROBERTS. She was 80 years of age. The funeral services were held in the First Presbyterian church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. J. P. JORDAN. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. Mrs. BERGER was born in Belgium and came to this country more than 28 years ago. She was married some years prior to her coming to this country and she and Mr. BERGER came directly to McDonald where they made their home. She was a member and conscientious worker of the Presbyterian church. She leaves her husband. There are no children. Aug. 14, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. FURNO and Mrs. ANDREWS attended the funeral of Mrs. P. J. CHARLIER 24 of Midway last Thursday. *Sturgeon column Sept. 4, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Alphonse VERSCHEUREN, aged 56, died at 8:30 o'clock Sunday morning at his home in Laurel Hill. Death was the result of a complication of diseases. The funeral services were held at the late home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVITT. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. Mr. VERSCHEUREN was born in Belgium and came to this country with his wife about 30 years ago. Since coming here he was employed as a miner. He leaves wife and one son now with the Belgium army. - Oct. 2, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Word was received by the DESCUTNER brothers on Monday that their brother-in-law Leandre THIBAULT was killed in a mine explosion at Ravensdale, Washington on November 15. Mr. THIBAULT left McDonald about 27 years ago and for some time had been located at Ravensdale. He was 54 years old and was employed as utility man around the mine. A brother of the DESCUTNER boys lost his eye sight in an explosion at the same mine about 12 years ago, he has since died. - Dec. 4, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Caesar LEROY, aged 63 years, a well known Belgian of Laurel Hill, died Sunday morning at 3 o'clock at his home. He had been an invalid for 11 years. Mr. LEROY was born in Belgium and came to McDonald 30 years ago. He was a miner until ill health forced him to retire. Besides the wife, three sons, Jules, Marcel and Rene, all at home. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVITT. Interment will be in the Robinson's Run cemetery. Nov. 13, 1915 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Phillipine DUTHIE, aged 62 years, wife of Theodore DUTHIE died at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at her home at Sturgeon. Death was due to rheumatism of the heart and followed a brief illness. The funeral services were held at the late home Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. Mrs. DUTHIE was born in Belgium. She came to this country

24 PJ Charlier = Peter Joseph CHARLIER. The WWI Draft Registration cards show a Peter Joseph Charlier, miner, born in May 1878, Belgium, living in Midway, listing Elmer Charlier as his closest living relative in Greenville, IL. The 1920 US Census shows a Peter Joseph CHARLIER, laborer at Coal Company, widower, 41, born in Belgium (Flemish) with children: Elmer, 14, Leah, 12, Eli, 10 and mother Eugenie, 65. The 1910 US Census shows Peter Joseph Charlier, 32, having been married for 6 years to an Elizabeth, 24, French. She had had 3 children, all alive at the time of the 1910 census: Elmer, Leah and Eli. Peter’s origins as Belgium-Flemish seem to have been crossed out to read Belgium – French. The 1900 US census – North Fayette, Allegheny, PA - shows Peter Charlier, coal miner, born in May 1878, Belgium, son of Peter (invalid, b Feb 1853, Belgium) and mother Jane (b. Feb 1854, Belgium), emigrated in 1879, with siblings: Baptiste, b. Feb 1881, Belgium; Emile, b. March 1887, PA: Emily, b. Jan 1895, PA; Mariah, b Sep 1895, PA – Jane had had 7 children, 5 of whom were alive in 1900. The WWII Old Man Draft cards have Peter Joseph Charlier, b 19 May 1877, Charleroi, Belgium with closest living relative, Elmer Charlier living in Lester, PA; Elmer Charlier (b 5 Mar 1905) died in May 1975, in Millville, Cumberland, New Jersey (SSN issued in PA) while Eli Charlier (b 9 Oct 1909) died Aug 1981, in Essington, Delaware, Pennsylvania. On the 1930 US Census – Tinicum, Delaware, PA, Elmer Charlier is listed to be married to Edna (b PA) with whom he had Elmer, 2½; Lewis, ½. Eli Charlier, ship fitter, married Victorine (b PA of Belgian parents)
in her youth and for the past 22 years had resided at Sturgeon. The husband is at the present time critically ill of pneumonia. There survive besides him three sons and one daughter. - Feb. 5, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Lambert DEPASSE aged 58 years who had been ailing for several months from asthma, died at his home Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. He was born in Belgium but came to McDonald about 25 years ago. The wife and two daughters Mrs. Marie LEUNIS and Mrs. Rose DONNAURE, both of McDonald, survive. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the DEPASSE home. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - Feb. 12, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Catherine MORSAINT, aged 67 years, died at nine o'clock Sunday night, April 16, 1916, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Emile DUTILLIEUX, at Sturgeon. She had been ill nine weeks with appendicitis and complications. Mrs. MORSAINT was born in Charleroi, Belgium, and came to this country thirty years ago, living here and at Primrose. Her husband, Maximilian MORSAINT, died two years ago. The daughter, Mrs. DUTILLIEUX is an only child. There are two nephews, Edward MORSAINT of Hays boro and Joseph MORSAINT of Detroit, Mich. Funeral services were held at the daughter's home Tuesday afternoon, in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVITT. Interment was in Robinson's - Run cemetery. - Apr. 21, 1916 McDonald PA Record


The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Eli SCHAYES died on Friday morning, July 7th. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - July 15, 1916 McDonald - *Sturgeon column

Mrs. Marrieta CAPELLA, wife of Casper CAPELLA died at her home in Sturgeon, on Wednesday night aged 22 years. Mrs. CAPELLA came to this country from Belgium with her father, Joseph GERHAIGEN when she was but a small child, her mother still resides in Europe. Besides the husband her father, two sons and one daughter survive. The funeral services were held at her late home on Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - Aug. 26, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

August PEICH, a Belgian, aged 76 years, died Wednesday at his home near Oakdale. Two daughters and one son survive. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the late home and interment was in the Valley cemetery at Imperial. - Sept. 2, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Mary MOTTE, aged 43 years, wife of Alfred MOTTE, died on Saturday night at 10 o'clock, after an illness due to cancer trouble. She was born in Hainaut province, Belgium, but came to McDonald with her parents 32 years ago. Eight children survive: Louis, Dohphine, Earnest, Jules, Celine, John, Alexander and Albert. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the MOTTE home, in charge of Dr. W. D. IRONS. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - Oct. 7, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Victor THIBAUX, aged 54 years, a resident of Pricedale, died in the Mercy hospital Sunday night, October 1, 1916, after an operation for hernia. He had been in the hospital two weeks. Mr. THIBAUX was born near Charleroi, Belgium, and came to this country about twenty-three years ago. He worked in the mines and lived in McDonald for a number of years. Thirty-one years ago he married Miss Eloise PETTIT, who survives with an adopted daughter, Augustine GONZE. The body was brought on Monday to the MOTTE home, in charge of Dr. W. D. IRONS. Interment was in Robinson Run cemetery. - Dec. 1, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Desire VERCAMMEN, aged 63 years, died at his home at Sturgeon at 8:10 o'clock Wednesday morning, November 29, 1916. He was born in Belgium January 28, 1853, coming to America and locating at Sturgeon twenty-eight years ago. His wife died sixteen years ago. Surviving are eight children, three sons and five daughters: Mrs. Lena DEVASSE, wife of Charles DEVASSE of Monessen; Mrs. Emma RANDOUR, wife of Alfred RANDOUR of East Bakersfield, Calif.; Mrs. Hermene SALLES, wife of F. J. SALLES who are spending the winter at East Bakersfield, Calif.; Mrs. Mary KREPS, wife of George KREPS of Monessen, Miss Christine, at home, Edmund VERCAMMEN of Sturgeon, Paul and Gustie at home. - Dec. 1, 1916 McDonald PA Outlook

Nottie VERSCHUREN, seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred VERSCHUREN of Sturgeon, died at the home of her parents on Wednesday morning, November 29, 1916, after a month's illness of pneumonia. Besides the parents, three brothers and sisters survive. The funeral services were held at the late home Saturday afternoon, December 2d and interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Dec. 9, 1916 - McDonald PA Outlook

Desire VERCAMMEN, aged 52, a well-to-do Belgian miner of Sturgeon, died Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock at his home, following an illness of three weeks of pneumonia. VERCAMMEN was born in Belgium, but had lived for the past 30 years in Sturgeon. His wife died 15 years ago, and he is survived by four sons and four daughters. He had not worked at his occupation for the last eight or ten years. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the late home. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. - Dec. 9, 1916 - McDonald PA Outlook

Maurice Jules MASQUELIER, three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules E. MASQUELIER, died at ten o'clock Monday morning, February 26, 1917, at the home of his parents in Valley street. Death was due to pneumonia. The boy had been sick only two days.
Besides his parents one sister, Aline Elizabeth, survives. Funeral services were held at the French church Wednesday afternoon in charge of the Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE. Interment was in Hilldale cemetery. - Mar. 2, 1917 McDonald PA Record

**Mrs. Mathile Isabella THILMONT**, aged 73 years, wife of Martin J. THILMONT died at her home at Cecil on Thursday March 8, 1917, following an illness of several months. Since October she had been suffering from pneumonia, which finally developed into heart trouble and caused her death. Mrs. THILMONT was born in Charleroi province, Belgium, and came to America thirty-four years ago, locating immediately in the McDonald section. Besides the husband, the following sons and daughters survive: Nestor THILMONT, at home, Leon THILMONT of Donora, Mrs. Fred DHAYER of Midway, Mrs. Amanda PHILLIPS and Mrs. Josephine CHEEBROUGHS of McDonald; Mrs. Mary HALLETT of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Delphine MILLER of Pittsburgh. She also leaves nineteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Short funeral services were held at the THILMONT home on Sunday afternoon. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Services at the cemetery were conducted by the Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D. - Mar. 16, 1917 McDonald PA Record

**Charles L. HAINAUT**, aged 53 years, died at his home at Sturgeon on Wednesday afternoon, March 14, 1917, after an illness of dropsy. He was born in Belgium and came to this country many years ago. He had resided in this locality about twenty-five years and was a coal miner by occupation. He is survived by his wife. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon in charge of the Franco-Belgian Club of Sturgeon. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery. - March 23, 1917 McDonald Record

**Gregory SCHAYES** was killed Thursday, July 26, at 1:16 o'clock, in the Jumbo mine, now known as Montour No. 1, of the Pittsburg Coal company. He was working in a main entry with his brother Arthur SCHAYES, when a fall of slate caught him and crushed out his life. Mr. SCHAYES was a well-known and respected mineworker and lived out Valley street. He was born near Charleroi, Belgium, September 12, 1864, and came to this country when a young man. He was united in marriage with Miss Camille CARLEY and to this union five children were born, three of whom are still living. They are: Mrs. Wendell P. STAMPFLY, Fanny street, and George and Telephore at home. Mrs. SCHAYES survives; also his aged mother who resides at Sturgeon and four brothers and sisters: Arthur SCHAYES of McDonald, Eli J. SCHAYES of Sturgeon, Mrs. Adolph PLETINICKS and Mrs. Xavier LORENT of the Monongahela Valley. Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon in the French church of McDonald. Aug. 4, 1917 McDonald PA Outlook

**Adolph OPENBRIER**, aged 30 years, of Primrose, died at the West Penn hospital in Pittsburgh on Tuesday morning, September 18, 1917. His death was due to injuries sustained in the mine about eight months ago. Mr. OPENBRIER was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver OPENBRIER of Midway. He is survived by his wife and one son, Adolph, his parents, three brothers and five sisters: Mrs. John STEVENSON and Mrs. Charles KLENNER of McDonald, Mrs. Hector LIBERT of Midway, Misses Justine and Margaret OPENBRIER, John, Oliver and August OPENBRIER, at home. Funeral services were held at his late home at Primrose on Thursday afternoon, September 29th, in charge of the Rev. J. B. CAVITT, pastor of Robinson's Run United Presbyterian Church. Interment was in the Center cemetery at Midway. - Sept. 28, 1917 McDonald PA Record

**LIVED IN CHARLEROI FOR MANY YEARS**

**Hadelin BARBOUSE**, aged 54 years, nine months and 29 days, died at his home 725 Lincoln Avenue Sunday morning at 8 o'clock. He had been a resident of Charleroi since the founding of the town. He was an employee of the Pittsburg Plate Glass works. He is survived by his widow Mrs KUPPIMIE and four children, Arthur, Arnold, Aledia and Mrs Wm BOBRIK. Also three brothers, Jules, John and Alfred and three sisters Mrs W. DELFOSSE, Mrs Joseph ALBERT and Mrs Louis LATOUR all of Charleroi. Funeral will be held on Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Requiem High mass at St Jerome's Catholic church, interment in Charleroi cemetery. The Charleroi Mail (Charleroi, PA) - Oct. 22, 1917

**Mrs. Clementine VERMER**, wife of John Baptist VERMER, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James STEVENSON, in Valley street, on Monday morning, November 12, 1917, at 11:30 o'clock, after seven months' illness. Mrs. VERMER was 62 years of age and was born in Belgium. She was united in marriage with Gustave ROMAINE, and to them were born five children, four of whom survive. In 1887 Mr. and Mrs. ROMAINE and their family came to America, locating at Noblestown. Shortly afterwards they moved to Primrose where Mrs. ROMAINE had resided since. Mr. ROMAINE died in 1895. In 1898 Mrs. ROMAINE was united in marriage with Mr. VERMER. She is survived by her husband, two daughters and two sons: Mrs. Louis DHANS of Primrose, Mrs. James STEVENSON of McDonald, Max ROMAINE of the United States Aviation Corps, and Victor ROMAINE of Primrose. Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon in charge of Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE. Interment was in Hilldale cemetery. - Nov. 16, 1917 McDonald PA Record

**Martin Jean THILMONT**, aged 77 years and 9 days, died at his home at Bishop on Wednesday morning, November 21, 1917, at one o'clock. Mr. THILMONT was a native of Charleroi, Belgium. Mrs. THILMONT died about six months ago. In 1883 Mr. and Mrs. THILMONT and their family came to America, locating in McDonald. About twenty-two years ago they moved to Bishop, where they had since resided. Mr. THILMONT attended the French Church of McDonald while his health permitted. Of the ten children born to Mr. and Mrs. THILMONT, seven survive, five daughters and two sons: Mrs. John C. PHILLIPS and Mrs. William CHEEBROUGHS of McDonald, Mrs. Fred DHAYER of Midway, Mrs. Frank MILLER of Pittsburgh, Mrs. William HALLETT of Canada, Leon THILMONT of Donora, and Nestor THILMONT at home. Funeral services will be conducted from the late home this (Friday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Interment will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Nov. 23, 1917 McDonald PA Record
Mrs. Catherine DESCUTNER, aged 76 years and 4 months, died Friday, June 28, 1918, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph CUJAS. Mrs. DESCUTNER was born in Belgium. In 1858 she was married to Mr. P. J. DESCUTNER. They arrived in this country March 5, 1885, coming to McDonald, where the family has resided ever since. Mr. and Mrs. DESCUTNER brought with them eight children, and two more were born in this country. Mr. DESCUTNER died March 13, 1907, aged 59 years and three months. The oldest daughter, Mrs. Maria THIBAUT, has resided in Seattle, Wash., for over thirty years. She has been visiting here for the past month. The oldest son, Sebastian DESCUTNER, died at sea in 1914, on his return to this country from Belgium, following the outbreak of the war. The other children all reside in the McDonald section. They are: Emma, wife of J. B. MASQUELIER, F. L. DESCUTNER, P. E. DESCUTNER, Zefrine, wife of Jules HAINAU T, E. F. DESCUTNER, John DESCUTNER, Arthenise, wife of Joseph CUJAS and Harry DESCUTNER. Forty grandchildren and six great-grandchildren also survive. Funeral services were held at the French church Sunday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Alexandre MAGE. D. D. Interment was in the Hilldale cemetery. July 6, 1918 McDonald PA Outlook

Fernand A. THOMASSY, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Desire THOMASSY, in Fifth Street, on Friday night, July 12, 1918, from the effects of burns received from an explosion of powder. Fernand was helping his brother deliver powder, and in some way unknown, the powder which was in three pound packages, ignited and young THOMASSY, ...on the delivery truck was so .. burned that death resulted. .. Brother who was in the Mag______, rushed to his assistance, but was unable to save Fernand. Walter was burned about the neck and hands. George, the twin brother of Fernand, who was also helping, was uninjured. Fernand was born April 7, 1902, being in his sixteenth year. He was a manly little fellow and was liked by all who knew him. The family has the sympathy of the entire community in this their sad bereavement. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Desire THOMASSY, three sisters, Mrs. L B. WILLIAMS of Oiltown, Okla., Mrs. James CRAIG of Burgettstown, Pa., and Lena, at home, and four brothers, Thomas THOMASSY, Walter THOMASSY of McDonald, and George and Arthur, at home. Funeral services were held in the home on Monday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock, in charge of Rev. J. P. JORDAN, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, assisted by Rev. A. MAGE, D. D., and Rev. W. D. IRONS, D. D. Interment was in Robinson Run Cemetery. July 20, 1918 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Joseph CENIS, one of McDonald's most respected Belgian residents, died at her home on Liberty street on Sunday night, November 17, 1918. Pneumonia, superseded by influenza, was the cause of her death. Mrs. CENIS was one of McDonald's foremost Belgian women, having a life acquaintance with her people, not only in McDonald, but in other parts of the country. She was born in Belgium. She took active interest in all work pertaining to the welfare of her people and the Allied countries as well during the war. Mrs. CENIS was twice married. Her first husband was Paul WAUTHIER. Mrs. CENIS was aged 59 years and is survived by her husband and six children: Josephine and Joseph at home, Mrs. John SMITH and Mr. Paul WAUTHIER of McDonald, Mrs. Joseph CENIS of Bulger, and Mrs. Emile CHARLIER of Midway. Nine grandchildren also survive. Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon, November 19th. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Nov. 29, 1918 McDonald PA

Emile CHARLIER died at the St. Francis hospital, Pittsburgh, on Thursday, November 21, 1918. He was aged 40 years. Mr. CHARLIER's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jules CHARLIER, came to this country when he was an infant, arriving at McDonald October 16, 1879. He was a coal miner and worked at the E. B. MCKEE coal mine, east of McDonald. About six weeks ago he became ill and was taken to the hospital. He is survived by his wife, Bertha DEHAUX, and two daughters, Amelia and Lenora, at home; his mother, Mrs. Josephine CHARLIER, two sisters, Mrs. Mary EVANS of Oakdale, and Mrs. Alice SMITH of Butler, Pa.; three brothers, Jules J., president of the Midway National Bank; Fred of Pittsburgh, and Eli of McDonald. Eli was the first Belgian baby born in McDonald. Funeral services were held at the late home in Valley street on Sunday afternoon. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Nov. 29, 1918 McDonald PA

Mrs. Marie DESIRE, a well known Belgian woman, died at two o'clock this morning at her home in West Sixth avenue. She had been ill a little more than a week with pneumonia. Mrs Desire was born in Belgium and came to Tarentum in 1914. Surviving are her husband Frank Desire; two sons, Jesse, with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, and Antone, with the Belgian army; a daughter, Mrs Henrietta Ponce, whose husband is also in service in France; and two other daughters, who reside in Belgium. Funeral services will be held in St. Peter's Catholic church but the hour of the funeral has not been set. December 11th, 1918, Valley News Distpatch (Tarentum, PA)

Mr. and Mrs. Edmond SCHOLLAERT received a telegram Wednesday stating the death of their son, Edmond, who was wounded in action October 2, 1918. A card dated November 20 was received by the parents on Tuesday of this week. At that time Edmond was in the hospital, and was getting along nicely. He died November 24. It is thought that blood poisoning caused his death. Edmond is the fourth Sturgeon boy who died in the service of his country. The other three are William BARCLAY, John CAIRNS, "Bun" TROY. - Dec. 20, 1918 McDonald PA Record

Francois LOUERE, aged 68 years, was found dead at his home on Belgian Hill on Monday morning, February 3d. He lived alone, and had asked a neighbor to call him at seven o'clock. On receiving no response the woman called other neighbors and they entered the house and found the man dead. Heart trouble was given as the cause of death. He leaves three sons and one daughter, all living in
East Pittsburgh. The funeral services were held at St. Alphonsus' church Wednesday morning. Interment was in the Noblestown cemetery. *This person is related to my mother-in-law – Feb. 8, 1919 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Jules LEROY, aged 31 years, died Saturday, February 14, 1920, at her home in Laurel Hill, following an illness of pneumonia. She leaves a husband25, 2 small children*, a father, mother, brother and sister. Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock by Rev. Albert A. LOVE of Corliss. Interment was in the Robinson Run cemetery. Feb. 19, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook - *From another article: the children were named Florence and Jules.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. POSKIN of Valley street, died at the house of his parents, Thursday evening, Feb. 27 of pneumonia. The child was one year of age. On Friday, Elmer POSKIN26, an 8 year old brother, died, also of pneumonia. Funeral services were conducted at the home Sunday afternoon by Rev. A. MAGE. Interment in Robinson Run cemetery. The children are survived by their parents and one sister. - Mar. 4, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook

Julien MASQUELIER, one of McDonald's most highly respected citizens, died at his home in Valley street Sunday evening, May 23, 1920, after an illness of about a year. Mr. MASQUELIER was born in Courcelles, Belgium, April 24, 1863. He came to the United States with his parents in April 1887, locating in McDonald. He worked in the mines and as a carpenter for a number of years and in 1894 opened a store in Valley street, which he conducted until last year when he turned it over to his sons. On June 7, 1887, Mr. MASQUELIER and Maria DEHOUX were united in marriage, the Rev. W. D. IRONS performing the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. MASQUELIER united with the First U. P. church, and when the French mission was started Mr. MASQUELIER was one of the active workers in it, being an elder, a teacher in the Sabbath school, and a leader of the choir. He did much good in a quiet unostentatious way. He is survived by his wife and these children: Emma, the wife of John GRILL of Tramping Lake, Canada; Evelyn, the wife of P. J. CHARLIER of McDonald; Eva, the wife of Albert SAPPIE of Pittsburgh; Harry of McDonald; Isabel, Octave, Julien and Merle, at home. He was the third member of a family of five brothers and one sister, and the first to pass away, being survived by Zachary, Eli, John B., and Jules MASQUELIER, all of McDonald, and a sister, Lydia, the wife of F. L. DESCUTNER of Steubenville. The funeral services were held in the French church Tuesday afternoon conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. A. MAGE, who was assisted by the Rev. Dr. W. D. IRONS. A quartet composed of Messers. PARKE, NEVIN, YOUNG, CAMPBELL sang. The funeral was a large one. Interment was made in the family lot in Hilldale cemetery.

May 26, 1920 McDonald PA Record

Julian MASQUELIER died at his home in Valley Street Sunday evening May 23 at 7 o'clock. He was aged 57 years. Mr. MASQUELIER was on of McDonald's business men, having conducted a store on Valley Street for the past 25 years. He came to McDonald from Belgium with his parents, in April, 1887 and on June 7, 1887 was married to Maria DEHOUX, Dr. W. D. IRONS performing the ceremony. Mr. MASQUELIER was active in church work uniting with the First U. P. church shortly after coming to this country, and when the French Mission was started Mr. MASQUELIER was of the workers initiating, being an elder and a teacher in the Sunday School. For years he led the choir being succeeded by his son, Harry. He was a quiet unassuming man and had done much in the interest of his people. Mr. MASQUELIER is survived by his wife and the following children, Mrs. GRILL who was married shortly after coming to this country, and when the French Mission was started Mr. MASQUELIER was of the workers initiating, being an elder and a teacher in the Sunday School. Mrs. F. DESCUTNER of Steubenville. The funeral services were held in the French church Tuesday afternoon conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. A. MAGE, who was assisted by the Rev. Dr. W. D. IRONS. A quartet composed of Messers. PARKE, NEVIN, YOUNG, CAMPBELL sang. The funeral was a large one. Interment was made in the family lot in Hilldale cemetery. - May 27, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Julien MASQUELIER died at her home in Valley street, Thursday morning, June 4th, 1920, at seven o'clock, after several week's illness. She was aged 52 years and died on her thirty-third wedding anniversary. She was born in Belgium and in 1887, shortly after coming to this country, was united in marriage with Julien MASQUELIER, who died about two years ago. The following children survive: Mrs. GRILL, in Canada, Mrs. P. J. CHARLIER, of this place; Mrs. A. SAPPIE, of Pittsburgh; Isabelle Rebecca at home; Harry A., Octave, Julien and Merle, all of McDonald. Four brothers and one sister also survive as follows, Zachary, John Baptiste, Jules, and Mrs. F. DESCUTNER of Steubenville. - May 27, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook

Mr. Arthur CHARLIER received word on Tuesday morning of the death of his sister, Mary DAILY and her husband, Steve DAILY as the result of an automobile accident at Birmingham, Alabama. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur CHARLIER, Helen JOHNENO, and Filbert DEGIGLE left on Tuesday afternoon for Birmingham. Mr. DAILY's mother who is visiting friends here received word of the accident on Monday and left for her home at once in Birmingham. No word as to how the accident happened or as to funeral arrangements have been received at this writing. - June 17, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook

25 The 1920 US Census taken in late January 1920, shortly before she died gives: Jules LEROY, 27 b in PA of Belgian parents, fireboss in coal mines, wife Amanda, 31 b Germany and children: Florence, 4y 2m b PA, Jules, 2y 11m
26 The 1920 US Census in Robinson Twp, Washington Co. PA, taken on 30 January 1920, gives Elmer G, 8, b in PA, son of Alexander, 39 and Rosa K POSKIN, 36, both of Belgium. With baby brother Harry A (10m) and older sister Rosa M, 17
Mrs. Emile27 MANANDISE, age 69, died early Sunday morning at her home in Charleroi. Mrs. MANANDISE was a sister of the late Mrs. J. MASQUELIER of this place. Besides her husband she is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Ulyssis G. SOUPLE, of Canada, Mrs. Fernan MANANDISE, Mrs. Homer FROCHER and Mrs. Nicholas LAUDRIN, of Charleroi; one sister; Mrs. Eli MASQUELIER, and one brother Mr. Emile DEHOUX, both of McDonald. Funeral services were held at her late home Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. A number of friends and relatives from here attended the funeral.

Nov. 11, 1920 McDonald PA Outlook

Joseph H. DOUMONT, aged 44 years, a native of Belgium, but for 26 years employed on the Panhandle section of the Pennsylvania, was almost instantly killed when 11 cars passed over his body in the Scully yards Saturday night about 8:30 o'clock. DOUMONT was employed as a switchman at the yards. He was "humping" a long string when killed. Two cars had just passed over the "hump" but he did not notice others approaching. He was knocked on the track and the entire string of 11 passed over his body. Though his body was terribly mangled, life was not extinct when he was found. DOUMONT was born in Belgium but came to this section when a young man and had resided in Midway since. He was well known in this section. For a number of years he had been a member of the Center United Presbyterian church. He was also a member of the I. O. O. F. and Brotherhood of Switchman. Mrs. DOUMONT survives with one son, aged 10 years. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in charge of Rev. R. W. NAIRN, D. D. Interment was made in the Center cemetery.

March 3, 1921 McDonald PA Outlook

Adolph MASSON, 41 years old of St. Louis, Mo., formerly a resident of McDonald, died Wednesday, April 20, 1921, from injuries received when he was held up and robbed. Mr. MASSON was removed to the City hospital after the robbery, and died three hours later. He is survived by one brother, Frank MASSON, of Sturgeon, an uncle, Adolph PLETINCKS, of McDonald, and his aunts, Mrs. Victor CENIS and Mrs. Victor BOSCOURT, also his stepfather, Frank ENSGAIN, of Cecil and brother-in-law, Joseph COSSART of Federal. The body was brought to Sturgeon Saturday evening. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in charge of the Rev. C. M. RITCHIE. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

May 5, 1921 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Matilda PIOT, aged 53 years, wife of Wm. PIOT died at the Mercy Hospital, Wednesday. She was taken suddenly ill on Saturday and removed to the institution on Monday. She was born in Belgium coming to this country in 1905 and has been a resident of this place for several years. She is survived by her husband and four children, three boys and one girl. Funeral services will be held from the late home on Sunday at 2 o'clock. Interment in Highland Cemetery. - The California Sentinel, 12 August 1921

Ansel DAY, 64 years old, a respected citizen of McDonald, died at his home in Valley street Friday morning, January 20, 1922 at 5:50 o'clock, after a lingering illness, from miner's asthma. Mr. DAY was born in Belgium and came to the United States thirty-two years ago. He located in McDonald and had lived here since. In 1891 he was united in marriage with Mrs. Mary FOUNTAIN. He followed the occupation of a miner nearly all his life, except for a short time in recent years when he was employed on the railroad. Three years ago he suffered a slight stroke. He had been ailing more or less since. He is survived by his wife, and three daughters: Kate, the wife of Constantine WILLIAMSON of North McDonald street, Nellie, the wife of William POUNDS of Valley street, and Marie, the wife of Morgan JONES of Valley street. There are also two stepsons and four stepdaughters: Mark DENNY of North McDonald Street, Alexander FOUNTAIN of Valley street, Annie, the wife of Emile VEYDT of Colliers, W. Va., Mary, the wife of Harry DUBOISE of Belgian hill, Helen the wife of Abel RANDOUR of North McDonald Street, and Rose, wife of Alex POSKIN of Valley street. Funeral services were held at the late home of the deceased in Valley Street on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, conducted by the Rev. J. H. DEBOLT, pastor of the Methodist church. Interment was in Hilldale cemetery.

Jan. 27, 1922 McDonald Record

Gustave DEWEY, 65 years old, died at his home on Belgian Hill, McDonald, on Wednesday afternoon, January 25, 1922, at 3:45 o'clock, of miner's asthma, after a long illness. Mr. DEWEY was born in Belgium January 12, 1857, and came to the United States, locating in McDonald, thirty five years ago. His wife survives him with two sons and one daughter. They are: Joseph DEWEY of Dinsmore, Augusta, the wife of Mark DENNY of McDonald, and Victor DEWEY of Laurel hill. The body was taken to the home if Victor DEWEY, Laurel hill, where the funeral will be held this (Friday) afternoon at four o'clock. Interment will be in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Jan. 27, 1922 McDonald Record

Emile DEHOUX, aged 69 years, died at his home in the New World, north of McDonald on Sunday afternoon, March 19, at 12:45 o'clock. Mr. DEHOUX for the past 34 years has lived in this vicinity. He is survived by his wife, five daughters and four sons: Mrs. Rose SMITH, Mrs. Loucetta JOHNSTON, Mrs. Millie SMITH of McDonald; Mrs. Bertha CHARLIER of Colliers, W. Va.; Mrs. Mammie (sic) GEORGE of Corliss and Emile, Jules, Fred and Victor DEHOUX, all of McDonald. The funeral services were held at

27 The 1910 Census indicates that Emile MANANDISE (laborer at glassworks) was her second husband. They were both from Belgium. Her name looks like Eugene (could be Eugenie). She was 46 years old while Emile was 39. There were children from her previous marriage: Alice DEHOUX?, 21, b in PA, a sales lady in a dry good store.
The 1900 Census gives a slightly different picture: Emile MANANDISE, b Oct 1872, Belgium, emigrated in 1892, coal miner; Eugene MANANDISE (has had 4 children, all of whom are alive -- only 1 marriage but the kids are listed as step children of Emile... - Eugene was born in Belgium in June 1854. She arrived in the US in 1887. Emile's step-children are: Mariah DELIANT, b Feb 1885, Belgium, Josephine DELIANT, b May 1887, Pennsylvania, Alice DELIANT, b Jan 1889, Pennsylvania.
Mrs. Marie LEONARD died at her home in Valley street, on Thursday, March 23rd; aged 48 years. Mrs. LEONARD was born in Belgium. She is survived by her husband, one son, Herman, and one daughter, Mrs. Jules MASQUELIER. Funeral services were held in the French United Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. Interment was in the Robb cemetery.

Leon BERGER died Thursday evening, March 23rd, in the 84th year of his age. Mr. BERGER, for many years, has live in North street, McDonald. Funeral services were held in the French United Presbyterian church, Saturday afternoon, in charge of Rev. Alexandre MAGE. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Mrs. Octavie DEBLANDER CHIFF, aged 58 years, wife of Henry CHIFF, died Saturday, January 5, 1923, at her home in Primrose of valvular heart disease, complicated by diabetes. Mrs. CHIFF was born in Belgium May 12, 1863, and came to America at the age of sixteen years, locating in McDonald. Five years later she moved to Primrose, where she had resided since. On July 15, 1884, she was united in marriage with Henry CHIFF who survives her with three sons and two daughters: August and Gustave CHIFF of Primrose, Lena, the wife of Charles LIBERT of Primrose, Mrs. Flora HICKS and Joseph at home. There also survive seven grandchildren, Mrs. Mathilda DERHOVEN of Primrose is a sister and Octave DEBLANDER of Primrose, Peter DEBLANDER of Cecil and Alphonse DEBLANDER of Philadelphia are brothers. Funeral services were held at her late home on Monday afternoon at two o'clock conducted by the Rev. Dr. IRONS of McDonald. Interment was in Centre cemetery, Midway.

Mrs. Charlotte MORTELETTE, wife of Peter Joseph MORTELETTE of McDonald, died at the family home in Valley Street on Wednesday afternoon, January 10, 1923, at ten minutes to two, after a long illness of cancer of the stomach. Mrs. MORTELETTE was born in Belgium April 6, 1895. About thirty years ago Mr. and Mrs. MORTELETTE came to America. For three years and a half they lived in Indiana and then they came to McDonald and have lived here since. Mrs. MORTELETTE leaves beside her husband, six sons and one daughter. They are: Eli of Polk, Samuel of East Pittsburgh, Jules of McDonald, Peter, George, and Rene, at home, and one daughter, Rachel, the wife of Victor CATRAIN of McDonald. There are two grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Rachel VERKLEEREN of Charleroi, and a brother, Samuel CLAVIR of Salem, W. Va. The funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon in the French United Presbyterian church in charge of the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Alexandre MAGE. Interment will be in the Hilldale cemetery.

Mrs. Emma DEVOS died at her home in Sturgeon on Thursday morning, April 27, 1922, at five o'clock, in her thirtieth year. Mrs. DEVOS' maiden name was DEacrooo and she was born July 6, 1892. She leaves her husband, Maurice DEVOS, a son, Maurice, Jr. and two daughters, Emmaline and Eleanor. Her mother, Mrs. Tillie DEacroo of Tarentum, a sister Mary, the wife of David THOMPSON of Sturgeon, and four brothers: Oscar, Joseph, Baptista, and Victor DEacroo, all of Tarentum, also survive. The funeral services were held from the home of her sister, Mrs. David THOMPSON, in Sturgeon, on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

After a lingering illness, which covered a period of 25 years, John B. JIRARD passed away at his home in Valley street Saturday evening, January 26 at 5:30 o'clock, death being due to pulmonary hemorrhages. The deceased had been confined to his bed one week prior to his death. Mr. JIRARD was born in Belgium March 21, 1848, being 76 years of age at the time of his death, and he had worked in the coal mines the greater part of his life. He is survived by his wife and one son, Michael, at home. Funeral services were held from his late home on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Interment was private, in the Hilldale (Robb's) cemetery.

John B. GERARD, aged 75 years, died at his home in Valley street at 5:30 o'clock Saturday evening, January 26, 1924 of asthma, after a lingering illness of 25 years. He fell down a flight of steps a week ago and following this accident was confined to his bed until his death. He was born in Belgium March 21, 1848. He is survived by one son, Michael, at home. Funeral services were held at his late home on Tuesday afternoon. Interment was in the Hilldale cemetery.

Louis LIBERT, aged 37 years, 9 months and 9 days, died at the home of his mother in Primrose at eight o'clock on Thursday evening, January 31, 1924, of miners' asthma. Mr. LIBERT was born April 25, 1886, in Belgium and came to the United States in his boyhood. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Maria LIBERT of near Primrose, three sisters, and three brothers. They are: Mrs. Charles CAGNERT, Mrs. Alexander SMALL, and Mrs. Gus LANCE, all three of Primrose, and Joseph, Frank and Gustave LIBERT, all three at home. Funeral services were held at two o'clock Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. John H. DEBOLT, pastor of the McDonald Methodist church. Interment was in the Center cemetery, Midway.

Mrs. Frank MICHAUX of East Lincoln avenue, McDonald, on Monday received word from Belgium that her father, Jean Baptist WATHELET, had passed away at his home in Dampremy, near Roux, Tuesday, March 11, 1924, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. WATHELET would have been seventy-two years old had he lived until the 19th of May. He is survived by his second wife, two
sons in Belgium, and four daughters, two of whom live in Belgium, one in McDonald-Mrs. Frank MICHAUX, and one in Whiteburg, Iowa-Mrs. Seraphin RENARD. Quite a few natives of Belgium, who now live in McDonald and vicinity, were acquainted with the deceased. The funeral services were held in the church at Dampremy in morning of March 13th.

Mar. 28, 1924 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Flora MOTTE, aged 81 years, eleven months and twelve days, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nicholas LIENARD, in Center avenue, McDonald, Thursday morning, April 17, 1924. Mrs. MOTTE was born in Mons, Belgium, May 5, 1843. She was married in Belgium and came to the United States with her husband, settling in Wheeling, W. Va. She has been a resident of McDonald for the past thirty-three years. Mrs. MOTTE was a member of the French United Presbyterian church. Besides her husband (Alexander), she leaves one daughter and four sons, Mrs. Nicholas LIENARD, Alfred MOTTE, Hilaire MOTTE, all three of McDonald, Ernest MOTTE, of ., Alabama, and Alexander MOTTE of Indiana. There are twenty-eight grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Funeral services were held from the home of her daughter, Mrs. LIENARD, in avenue, McDonald, at three. Sunday afternoon, conducted by CABRIT. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Apr. 25, 1924 McDonald PA Record

Jules Robert GOSSIAUX, the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Jules A. GOSSIAUX of Grindstone, Fayette county, died at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, May 17, 1924, of gastritis, after by three days' illness. The child was born December 5, 1923, and was aged five months and two weeks. Three other children remain in the GOSSIAUX home: Emile, Frank, and Joseph. The body was brought to the home to Mr. GOSSIAUX's mother, Mrs. Joseph PENSIS, in Orchard street, McDonald, where the funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:30, conducted by Mlle. CABRIT of the French church. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

May 23 1924 McDonald PA Record

Louis BORZEE, aged 81 years and two months, passed away peacefully at his home in Liberty street, Memorial day, May 30, 1924, at 10 a.m. He was born at Bon Saint, Province of Luxemburg, Belgium, March 3, 1843, and at the age of 12 years moved to Liege, Belgium, where he learned the trade of bootmaker. When 20 years of age he moved to Rux, Province of Hainaux, Belgium, and was united in marriage in 1868 to Mathilda COUSHE, who still survives. Mr. and Mrs. BORZEE left Rux February 9, 1887, coming to this country. They settled in McDonald where Mr. BORZEE followed the occupation of coal mining. He and his family at that time resided in F. A. THOMASSY's father's home in Miller street. Mr. BORZEE has been a highly respected citizen of McDonald for 37 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mathilda BORZEE, two children, Mrs. Samuel C. STEWART and David BORZEE, both of McDonald, also three grandchildren and one great grandchild. Funeral services were held at his late home on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. August DEVOS of the French U. P. church. Interment was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

June 6, 1924 McDonald PA Record

Charles SCHOLLAERT, aged 72 years, died of pneumonia at his home in Noblestown at 9:30 o'clock Friday evening, September 26, 1924. Mr. SCHOLLAERT was born in Belgium February 28, 1852, and came to the United States 43 years ago, settling in Noblestown. He was a miner by occupation until about six years ago when he was injured and was obliged to retire. He had resided in the house in which he died since he first came to Noblestown. Thirty-six years ago he was united in marriage with Miss Lena VERCAMMEN, who survives him. The wedding took place in St. Patrick's church. Five children survive. They are: Mrs. Mary DURAIN, Miss Mathilda, Miss Sadie, Arthur and Joseph, all at home. One sister, Mrs. Martin A. CHARMAR of McDonald, and one brother, Edwin SCHOLLAERT of Sturgeon also survive. Funeral services were held in St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church at Noblestown Monday morning at 10 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Fr. D. J. COX. Interment was in the Noblestown cemetery.

Oct. 3, 1924 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Mathilda DERBOVEN, aged 62 years, died at her home in Primrose at 5:45 o'clock Friday afternoon, October 24, 1924, of diabetes. Mrs. DERBOVEN was born in Belgium. She had lived in this country for over thirty years. Besides her husband, Triffon DERBOVEN, she leaves a son, E. L. DERBOVEN of Primrose, and a daughter, Mrs. Elida OPENBRIER. Three brothers also survive. They are Octave DEBLANDER of Primrose, Alphonse DEBLANDER of Philadelphia and Peter DEBLANDER of Cecil. Funeral services were held at the home on Monday afternoon at two o'clock, conducted by the Rev. A. DEVOS, pastor of the French U. P. church of McDonald. Interment was in the Midway cemetery.

Oct. 31, 1924 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Joseph ROBINO, 55 years old, died at her home in Seattle, Wash., Monday, December 15 1924. Mrs. ROBINO was born in Charleroi, Belgium, and came to the United States with her parents 33 years ago. The family settled in McDonald. She is survived by one son, Leonard PHEDANT of Seattle, Wash., and two daughters in California. Three sisters and five brothers also survive. They are: Mrs. J. B. MASQU(E)LIER and Mrs. Jules HAINAUT, both of McDonald, Mrs. Joseph CUJAS of Hickory, F. L. DESCUTNER of Norwood, near Philadelphia, Peter E. DESCUTNER, John DESCUTNER, Efren DESCUTNER and Harry DESCUTNER, all three of McDonald. 19 December 1924, McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Catherine BRIGODE, 62 years of age, wife of A BRIGODE, of 100 Crest avenue, died at her home on Tuesday evening, September 29 at 9:33 o'clock. She was born in Roux, Belgium on July 4, 1863 and had been a resident of Charleroi for the past 35 years. There survive besides her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Harvey B WOLFBRANDT and Mrs. Martin C DIETZ of Charleroi; two sons, Alex BRIGODE and Fernand J BRIGODE of Charleroi; two sisters, Mrs. Lucy BOSSOM of Blairsville, PA and Mrs.
Thereza VANMOTHEM of Hites, PA; one brother, Jules HORGANEIS of Charleroi, Belgium and thirteen grandchildren. Funeral services will be held from her late home Saturday October 3 at 2 o’clock with interment in Monongahela cemetery.

The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA 1 Oct 1925

Mrs. Philomene HIERSOUX, wife of Adolph HIERSOUX, died Thursday Dec 3, at 8pm at the home of her daughter Mrs. James O’Neil, Eleventh street, Monongahela. Mrs. Hiersoux had a stroke two years ago on Oct 22, last, and had been confined to her bed since that time. She was born in Jamiain, Belgium, September 18, 1839, coming to America 38 years ago. There survive her husband --- James O’Neil, two sisters, Mrs. Louise Williams of New Eagle, Mrs. August George of Sturgeon, PA and one brother Prosper Greer, of New Eagle. Funeral services will be held at the Transfiguration church next Monday morning with high mass, time of service being 9:30 o’clock. Intermont will be made in the Monongahela cemetery. 4 Dec 1925 – The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA

Mrs. Charles DE MIERBE, aged 76 years, died Sunday evening, December 6, at 11:10 at the home of her daughter Mrs. Harry DELBARRE of California. Besides his wife, his daughter, and his parents, he leaves two sisters, W. D. IRONS, and to tives. She is survived by her husband, one son Amel BASTEN of Montana, two

The body was brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. CHARLIER in East Lincoln avenue, where funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock at the home of her daughter with Rev. John R BURSON in charge. Interment will take place in the Highland Cemetery – The Charleroi Mail, 8 Dec 1925

Henry RANDOUR28, aged 21 years, died en route to the Canonsburg hospital following an accident in which he was squeezed between a pit car and the rib as he tried to throw the brake on the car as he was leaving his work in the Gilmore mine, near George station, about four o’clock Thursday afternoon, January 20, 1927. He was so badly crushed that he died shortly after having been injured. Mr. RANDOUR was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Abel RANDOUR of Belgian hill, McDonald, and was born June 21, 1905, in McDonald. In October 1925 he was united in marriage with Miss Florence DEVANNY. Six weeks ago a daughter was born to them. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of McDonald. Besides his wife, his daughter, and his parents, he leaves two sisters, Mrs. George MOORE of McDonald, and Mrs. George NICE of Midway, and one brother, Arthur RANDOUR, at home. Funeral services were held at two o’clock Sunday afternoon in the McDonald Methodist Episcopal church, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. J. M. BETTS, assisted by his former pastor, the Rev. J. H. DEBOLT of Washington. Interment was in the Robinson’s Run cemetery. Jan. 28, 1927 McDonald PA Record

Mrs. Arsene DUBOIS, aged 77 years, died at three o’clock Friday morning, February 11, 1927, in the county home at Arden. Death was due to complications due to her advanced years. Mrs. DUBOIS was born in Belgium. It was there she was married, and she and her husband came to the United States about forty years ago. Mrs. DUBOIS had lived in McDonald about thirty-five years. Mr. DUBOIS was killed twelve years ago in the Burger mine. Three years ago Mrs. DUBOIS went to the county home at Arden. There are no known relatives. The body was brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. CHARLIER in East Lincoln avenue, where funeral services were held at two o’clock Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. J. M. BETTS, pastor of the McDonald Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. Augustine DEVOS, pastor of the French U. P. church. The choir of the Methodist church sang. Interment was in the Robinson’s Run cemetery. Feb. 18, 1927 McDonald PA Record

Edmond SCHOLLAERT, aged 79 years, a native of Holland and for many years a resident of the McDonald locality, died Friday, February 25, 1927, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. R. GROSS, in Waynesburg. He had been in failing health for some time, but pneumonia, which developed a few days ago, was the direct cause of death. Mr. SCHOLLAERT was born in Holland in 1848 and came to America in 1877. He located in Noblestown, where he followed mining until he retired from work 20 years ago. His wife, Catherine SCHOLLAERT, died three years ago. About one year ago Mr. SCHOLLAERT went to Waynesburg and had since lived with his daughter there. Mr. SCHOLLAERT was a member of the French association and was also a member of the First United Presbyterian church of McDonald. Besides his daughter, Mrs. GROSS, at whose home he died, he leaves another daughter, Mrs. James L. MAIZE of Uniontown and two sons, Victor SCHOLLAERT of Sturgeon and Charles SCHOLLAERT of Bentleyville. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the home of his son, Victor SCHOLLAERT, in Sturgeon, conducted by the Rev. Dr. W. D. IRONS, pastor of the First United Presbyterian church, who was assisted by the Rev. J. M. BETTS, pastor of the McDonald Methodist church. Interment was in the Robinson’s Run cemetery. Mar. 4,1927 McDonald PA Record

Alfred TOURNAY, aged twenty years, a brakeman on the Panhandle railroad, was caught and crushed between two cars at four o’clock on Wednesday afternoon of last week in Weirton, W. Va. He died the following day—at six o’clock Thursday evening, March 10, 1927. Mr. TOURNAY was the son of Henry and Guillemille TOURNAY, and was born in October 1906, in McDonald. His mother died November 18, 1911. He is the third in the TOURNAY family to die by accident: a brother two years old was scalped to death in 1916, and his brother Henry was killed in a railroad accident September 2, 1927. Alfred was faithful in his attendance at the French U. P. church until he left McDonald about three years ago to seek work elsewhere. He was a member of the French U. P.

28 The 1910 US Census (North Fayette, Allegheny, PA) shows Abel Randour, 30, b in France, emigrated to the US in 1886, has been married for 7 years to Helen, 28, b in Belgium. She had 6 children, only 3 of whom were living at the time of the census: Henry, 4,Eveline, 2 and Blanche, 9 months. Helen emigrated to the US in 1888. The WWI Draft cards give Abel’s birth date as 28 Oct 1879. Abel died in April 1966 in McDonald, Washington, PA
Sabbath school, of the Y. P. C. U, and of the young men's athletic organization—the F. A. Y. M. He frequently played baseball for the French church team and was greatly admired by all who knew him intimately for his good sportsmanship, fair play, and other gentlemanly qualities. Mr. TOURNAY was employed as brakeman, working on one of the steel mill yard trains. In attempting to couple two of the scrap buggies together, he was caught between the cars, crushing his chest and puncturing his lung. Workmen nearby who were unable to explain the accident, assisted in his removal to the Weirton Steel company emergency hospital, where his injuries were dressed. It is thought he was struck by a dolomite pan as it tipped, and was knocked between the buggies. Besides his father and stepmother he leaves eight brothers and sisters. The body was brought to the TOURNAY home in McDonald on Friday afternoon, March 21, 1927. His body was badly mangled. He was united in marriage on the 13th of November last year with Mrs. Rosie BOURGUIGNON, whose husband was killed in a mine July 28, 1923. She is left with four children of the first marriage. Mar. 25, 1927 McDonald PA Record

Victor LIRA, of Cecil, 45 years old, was killed instantly when he was struck by a freight train of the Pittsburgh & West Virginia railroad at Cecil Monday afternoon, March 21, 1927. His body was badly mangled. He was united in marriage on the 13th of November last year with Mrs. Rosie BOURGUIGNON, whose husband was killed in a mine July 28, 1923. She is left with four children of the first marriage. Mar. 25, 1927 McDonald PA Record

George CUJAS, aged 11 years, of near Hickory, is in the Canonsburg hospital in an extremely critical condition as a result of wounds suffered when an old-fashioned breech-loading rifle backfired. A piece of steel apparently was carried into the chest of the lad and lodged in the base of his lung. His condition has been such that no attempt could be made to remove it. A man working on the CUJAS farm was experimenting with the old weapon when the accident occurred. Apr. 1, 1927 McDonald PA Record

Maurice BALZA of 1012 Meadow avenue, Charleroi, died in the Charleroi-Monessen hospital, December 25, 1956, at 9:30am. He was born in McDonald, Pa., January 27, 1900, the son of Leon99 and Mrs. Carmmellia NOVAK, aged 31 years, wife of Walter NOVAK, died yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at her home 1002 Crest avenue. She is survived by her husband, two daughters Marietta and Norma Jean, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Balza, four brothers, Rene, Maurice, Herman and Arnold and one sister Bertha, all of Charleroi. Funeral services will be held from the late home, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the rev Frank S Montgomery officiating, with interment in Charleroi cemetery. — The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA – 10 Oct 1927

LEONARD RITES TO BE HELD SATURDAY

Funeral rites for Mrs. Henrietta Antoinette (DUPONT) LEONARD, 72, well known Wellsburg resident, who died Wednesday, will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the late home, 99 Ninth street. Rev. M. M. Allison, pastor of the Wellsburg Presbyterian church will officiate, and burial will follow in Brooke cemetery. Mrs. Leonard was a native of Leige (sic), Belgium, and came to this country 40 years ago. She came to Wellsburg from Tarentum, Pa., in 1914 and has resided there since. She leaves ten children: Mrs. Ben Kirby, of Ward, West Va., Joseph, of Tiltonville (sic), Ohio, John, of Monessen, Pa., Frank of Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Lee Thomas of Columbus, Ohio, Mrs. Jules Regnier, Elmer, Jules, Mrs. Jackson Cook, Miss Henrietta Leonard, all of Wellsburg.

The Wheeling Intelligencer, Friday 20 January 1928. Page 13, Column 4

Emile OPENBRIER, aged 61, shot himself in a bed room at his home in Primrose about 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Mr. OPENBRIER was born in Belgium and came to this country 25 years ago. Besides his wife, Mr. OPENBRIER is survived by seven children: Mrs. Jules GOSSIAUX, Grindstone, Pa.; Mrs. David FERRIS, Midway; Mrs. William SMART, Bridgeville; Ferdinand, Emile, Jr., Joseph and William, at home. Funeral services will be held from his home Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment will be in the Center cemetery, Midway. Aug. 16, 1928 McDonald PA Outlook

Louis MOTTE, aged 36 years, of this place was fatally stabbed Friday evening shortly after 10 o'clock as the result of a quarrel at a dance held in Fayolle school house north of town. The cause of the quarrel has not been determined. Frank BOLIND, aged Santiago,

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99 The 1920 US Census (Cecil Twp, Washington Co., PA) shows that Rosie Bourguignon, 35, b in Belgium, emigrated in 1890, is married to Max Bourguignon, 44, also born in Belgium, who emigrated in 1896, have 4 children: Josephine, 16 b PA; Elise, 14, b in PA; Henrietta, 11, b PA and August, 1y 5 months, b PA.

The WWI Draft Registration Cards have Maximilian Bourguignon, coal miner for the National Mining Co., naturalized, b 15 Nov 1875, residing in Cecil, Washington, PA; medium size and build, brown hair.

100 The 1930 US Census for Charleroi, Washington Co., PA shows two BALZA families living next door to each other: Morris BALZA, 29, owner of a barber shop, married at the age of 22, born in PA of Belgian parents, with his wife Theresa, 26 (19y old at time of marriage) b in PA of Italian parents, with their son Raymond, 5
Leon BALZA, 54, married since the age of 19, b in Belgium, emigrated in 1889, naturalized; his wife Adelaide, 64 (married at age 29), b in Belgium, emigrated in 1893; their children: Rennie, 35, b in PA; -indel, 28, Bertha, 23; granddaughter Marietta Hornbake(?), 12 and brother Oscar Balza, 57, emigrated in 1893 (still listed as Alien)

The 1920 US Census, in Charleroi, Washington Co., PA is easier to read:

Leon BALZA, 43, emigrated in 1880, naturalized in 1898, working at the glasshouse; his wife Adelaide, 55 emigrated in 1892 and children: Rene, 24; Herman, 18; Arnold, 18, all 3 gatherers at the glasshouse and Bertha 13

In the same household lived Maurice BALZA, 19 and his wife Jennie, 17, both b in PA of Belgian parents; along with Oscar Balza, 46, emigrated in 1880, naturalized but no date given.
near Imperial, was taken into custody by Chief of Police SCHONS shortly after and confessed that he had wielded the knife. Tony FIALOS of Valley street was severely slashed on the left arm when he grabbed BOLIND who attempted to run after MOTTE fell. BOLIND succeeded in getting away but was captured by Policeman SCHONS near the German church, west of town. MOTTE died before medical aid could be reached; his body was taken to the mortuary of J. C. ROGERS. FIALOS was attended to by a local physician. Mr. MOTTE was a world war veteran serving with the 319 Infantry, 80th Division and for the past three years had been a member of the 103d Medical Regiment U. S. National Guards. He was a well-known musician and for the past year has been in the dragay business here. Besides his wife, Mrs. Antonia KLIMAS MOTTE, three children survive. They are: Louise aged 8 years; Louis, aged 6 years, and Roseann, 9 months. Mr. MOTTE is also survived by his father, Alfred MOTTE, of McDonald; two sisters, Mrs. Jennie DELGIGNESS of Langeloth, Mrs. Ralph SAUNDERS of Ellwood City, and five brothers, Ernest, Jules, John, Alex. and Albert MOTTE all of this place. A military funeral was held in the St. Alphonsus church Monday morning at 9:00, in charge of the Rev. Fr. Joseph A. BURGOON. The procession from his late home to the church was headed by the 103rd Regimental band of Oakdale, of which band he has been a member for a number of years. Interment was in St. Patrick's cemetery in Noblestown.

Mrs. Catherine DEHOU (nee RIGAUX) aged 25 years, died Sunday at 2:10 p.m. after an illness of influenza. She leaves her husband, Alfred DEHOU, and three children: Victoire, five and one-half years old; Isabelle, four years old; Alfred, eighteen months old; her mother, Mrs. Elsie RIGAUX of Valley street; a sister and four brothers. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. August DEVOS Wednesday at three o'clock. Oct. 31, 1928 McDonald PA Outlook

Desire POSKIN, aged 72, died of pneumonia Tuesday at noon in the home of his eldest son, Valentine, in North McDonald street. Mr. POSKIN came to McDonald forty-two years ago from Gilly, Belgium. He is survived by two sons, Valentine of North McDonald street and Aime of Valley street. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at three o'clock, at the home of his son on North McDonald street, with Rev. August DEVOS in charge. Oct. 31, 1928 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Antoinette BOHEY, aged 72, died at 12:20 a.m. Saturday, she was well-known and had many friends. She came to America forty-seven years ago from Marchienne-aux-Ponts, Belgium, settling in McDonald, then removing to Midway and later to Cecil. Mrs. BOHEY was a member of the French U. P. church of McDonald. She is survived by her husband, Bernardin BOHEY and three children: Mrs. Mary DEBLANDER of Ceil, Auguste BOHEY of Wheeling, and Simion BOHEY of Detroit. Funeral services were held Tuesday at two o'clock, with Rev. August DEVOS in charge. Oct. 31, 1928 McDonald PA Outlook

John Baptiste NIMAL died Thursday afternoon, December 13, 1928, at 12:45 o'clock. He was 74 years of age. Mr. NIMAL had been a resident of McDonald for many years. He followed farming until a few years ago when he was forced to retire on account of poor health. Death came as the result of a stroke. Besides his wife, Mrs. Josephine SUPLIT NIMAL, there survive the following children: Mrs. P. J. DESCUTNER, Mrs. L. H. STEWART, Mrs. W. A. STEWART, Ernest NIMAL and P. J. NIMAL, all at home. Funeral services were held in the French church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Rev. Auguste DEVOS. Interment was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - Dec. 20, 1928 McDonald PA

Mr. Oliver OPENBROWER, aged 65 years, died on Saturday, December 15, 1928, at six o'clock in the evening at his home in Midway. His death came as a result of a severe attack of asthma with which he had been ill four days. He was born in Belgium on February 18, 1863 and when he was 23 years of age was married to Miss Eugena LAHLEY, who survives him with five daughters: Louise, wife of John STEVENSON; Jennie, wife of Hector LIEBERT, Elsie, wife of Charles KLENNER, all of McDonald, Justine, wife of Nesbit PHILLIPS of Burgettstown and Margaret, wife of William MEREDITH of McDonald, and three sons, John of Midway; Oliver, Jr. of McDonald, and August, of Columbus, Ohio. One son Adolph died eleven years ago. Mrs. Valencia DUPONT, a sister, and Adolph OPENBROWER, a brother, still live in Belgium. Mr. OPENBROWER was a member of the French Odd Fellows organization of McDonald and the Solidarite Lodge of McDonald. The funeral was from the OPENBROWER home in Midway on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with services conducted by the Rev. B. F. HEANY of the First Presbyterian church of McDonald. Interment was in Center cemetery, Midway. - Dec. 20, 1928 McDonald PA

Mrs. Leona BROWETT, aged 75 years, died Saturday morning, December 29th, at 7:45 o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Desire THOMASSE in Fifth street, after an illness of several weeks due to heart disease. Mrs. BROWETT was born in Province Brabant, Belgium, December 3, 1853, and came to McDonald in 1887. She was the wife of Jules BROWETT, who died January 21, 1916. Mrs. BROWETT is survived by six children. They are: Mrs. Desire THOMASSE, Ernest, Rene, Fernal and Fred BROUETT, all of McDonald, and Mrs. Allan CHALMERS of Midway; also two brothers, Aime DELGIGNESS; and Desire DELGIGNESS of Belgium, and two sisters, Mrs. C. MATURIN of Belgium, and Mrs. F. BOHY of Monessen. Nineteen grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren also survive. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the French United Presbyterian church of which church she was a member. The pastor, the Rev. Auguste DE VOS had charge of the service and was assisted by the Rev. B. F. HEANY. Interment was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. Jan. 3, 1929 McDonald PA Record

Nicholas LIENARD, aged 66 years, died suddenly at his home Thursday evening, January 3, at 8:30 o'clock of heart disease. Mr. LIENARD was born in Belgium, February 12, 1862 and came to this country when twenty years of age. He has resided in McDonald 45 years. Mr. LIENARD had great musical ability and has been an instructor practically his entire life. He was a member of the La Solidarite association. Besides his wife, Mrs. Elmira MOTTE LIENARD, Mr. LIENARD is survived by the following sons and
daughters: Charles, Columbus, Ohio; Nicholas, Jr., Sturgeon; Alphonse, Louis, Adele, at home; Mrs. Emile SILHOL, Hays, Pa.; Mrs. Harry MASQUELIER, McDonald; Miss Vivian, at home, Mrs. William LYONS, Carrick, and Miss Madeline, at home. Funeral services were held in his late home on Center avenue, Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in charge of the Revs. Auguste DEVOS and B. F. HEANY. Interment was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. Jan. 17, 1929 McDonald PA Record

John Joseph SUPLIT died at 10:45 a.m. Tuesday, January 22, at this home in Valley street, after several weeks' illness with asthma and pneumonia. Mr. SUPLIT was born March 22, 1857 at Rouxbasse, Belgium and was united in marriage with Charlotte ROUSSEAU, June 4, 1884 in Belgium b the Rev. ANNETTE. He came to McDonald with his wife and son Joseph in 1887 and has resided here since that time following the occupation of coal mining. Besides his wife he leaves these sons and daughter: Fernand, Frank LIEBERT, Mrs. Zella SMALL, and Mrs. Louise COGINET of Primrose, Noblestown. Thirty children won for him many friends. He retired seven years ago and be of his failing eyesight, has been inactive. Mr. SUPLIT was a founder and elder of the French Mission church. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon in charge of the rev. Auguste DEVOS, assisted by the Rev. S. A. MCCOLLAM. Interment will be in Hilldale cemetery. Jan. 27, 1929 McDonald PA Outlook

E. A. LAGNEAUX31 died in 1929. E A. Lagneau aged 63 years and 4 days, died at his home in Fairchance, Fayette County, Tuesday night March 12, 1929 at 10 o'clock of complications. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ella Wilson Lagneaux. Mr. Lagneaux was born in Charleroi, Belgium on March 8, 1866. He immigrated to the United States in 1889, settling at Charleroi, Pa., where he worked for six years in a plate glass factory. From Charleroi he went to New York for nine years and then returned to Point Marion in 1904 where he opened a bakery. In 1906 he disposed of his bakery to Leon Hackett and moved to Fairchance where he opened another bakery which he later disposed of. Mr. Lagneaux returned to Europe with his first wife where she died five months after arriving there and was buried at Charleroi, Belgium. In 1898, Mr. Lagneaux married again and they lived in Fairchance. Mr. Lagneaux had made 30 trips across the Atlantic in his lifetime. Soon after his arrival in this country in 1889, Mr. Lagneaux took out his first naturalization papers. He was a member of the Odd Fellows. Brief funeral services will be held at the home Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, followed by additional services in the Fairchance Presbyterian church with the Rev. Mr. Douglas officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove cemetery, Fairchance. (The Charleroi Mail - 3/15/1929)

Mr. Emile HOYAUX, Sr., aged 74 years, died in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh Monday evening, December 9, at 10:15 o'clock. Mr. HOYAUX fell on a walk at his home Wednesday of last week, breaking a hipbone and sustained internal injuries. He was rushed to the hospital but his condition gradually grew worse. Mr. HOYAUX was one of McDonald's most highly respected citizens and was esteemed by all who knew him. For twenty-five years he was janitor of the school buildings here and his interest and friendliness towards the children won for him many friends. He retired seven years ago and be of his failing eyesight, has been inactive. Mr. HOYAUX was born in Thuine, Belgium, March 26, 1855 and came to this country thirty years ago. He was married in the year 1891. Mr. HOYAUX was one of a family of eleven children; the remaining ten brothers and sisters are all living in Belgium. Besides his wife, he is survived by one son, Emile Hubert HOYAUX, a violinist of note, who has been visiting at the home of his parents the past month. Funeral services were held in the French church Thursday afternoon at 2o' clock, in charge of the Rev. Augustine DEVOS, assisted by the Rev. B. F. HEANY. Interment was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. 12-12-1929 McDonald PA Outlook

Mrs. Lottie LENAIN, aged 64 years, wife of Emil LENAIN, died this morning, Sept 20, 1930, at 6:45 at her home, 216 Luella avenue, after a lengthy illness. She was a well known resident of Charleroi, having lived here for a number of years. She was born in Charleroi, Belgium, September 15, 1866. Surviving are her husband and one daughter, Mrs. Augustine SUFERANT of McDonald. Funeral services will be held from the late home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment in the Charleroi cemetery. 20 Sep 1930, The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA

Mrs. Marie ROMAINE LIEBERT, 69, died at 4:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 11, 1931, in her home in Primrose. She had been an invalid for 18 years. Mrs. LIEBERT was born in Belgium. She was united in marriage with Mr. LIEBERT in Belgium. Forty-three years ago they came to the United States locating in Noblestown. Thirty-five years ago they removed to Primrose. Mr. LIEBERT died in 1913. The following children survive: Mrs. Julia DHANS of Primrose, Hector LIEBERT OF Fanny street, Joseph LIEBERT of Primrose, Charles LIEBERT of near McDonald, Frank LIEBERT, Mrs. Zella SMALL, and Mrs. Louise COGINET of Primrose, and Gustave at home. Funeral services will be held at two o'clock Saturday afternoon in the LIEBERT home in Primrose, in charge of the Rev. B. F. HEANY, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of McDonald. Burial will be in the Center cemetery, Midway. March 13, 1931 Obits McDonald Record

Mrs. Sylvia DELVAUX, 72, died at 9 p.m. Sunday, March 8, 1931, in her home, 935 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, after an illness of four days. Born in Roux, Belgium, February 20, 1859, she came to America 53 years ago. She resided in McDonald prior to moving the Charleroi 29 years ago. Surviving are two sons and a daughter: Frank H. of Charleroi, Conrad of Niles, Ohio, and Mrs. Alice GODISART of Los Angeles, Calif. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon of last week, conducted by the Rev. F. S. MONTGOMERY, a Presbyterian pastor of Charleroi. Burial was in the Charleroi cemetery. Mrs. GODISART, because of illness and Conrad DELVAUX, because of a broken leg, were unable to attend their mother's funeral.
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Mrs. Roland MOREAU, 64, died at one o'clock Monday morning, March 30, 1931, in her home in Cecil, of a cerebral hemorrhage. She had been in ill health for five years. She was born August 5, 1866, in Belgium. She leaves her husband, a son, and a daughter. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in the home in Cecil. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. April 3, 1931 Obits McDonald Record

Mrs. Josephine CENIS NOWE, aged 65 years, 4 months and 11 days, died on Monday, March 23, 1931, after a three-day illness of bronchial pneumonia in her home in Cambridge, Ohio. The daughter of the late Victor and Adeline DUBOIS CENIS, Mrs. NOWE was born November 12, 1865, in Marshen, Belgium. On February 7, 1891, she was united in marriage with the late Henry NOWE in Brussels, Belgium. They came to the United States in 1893, locating in New Mexico. They later removed to McDonald, moving to Cambridge, Ohio, about 28 years ago. Mrs. NOWE made her home with her surviving daughter Mrs. Robert MCELROY, in Cambridge, Ohio, following Mr. NOWE's death February 1, 1930. Two grandchildren Raymond and Elmer MCELROY also survive, together with the following brother and sisters: Max CENIS of North Irwin, Pa., Mrs.Celine BOULANGER of Klein, Mont., Mrs. Emil GOFFART and Mrs. Elizabeth CAUCHIE of McDonald. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon of last week in the MCELROY home in charge of the Rev. J. F. MCLEOD. Burial was in the Northwood cemetery. Mrs. Roland MOREAU, 64, died at one o'clock Monday morning, March 30, 1931, in her home in Cecil, of a cerebral hemorrhage. She had been in ill health for five years. She was born August 5, 1866, in Belgium. She leaves her husband, a son, and a daughter. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon in the home in Cecil. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. April 3, 1931 Obits McDonald Record

Mrs. Alphonse DEWOLF, 70, died on Saturday, April 4, 1931, in Salem, W.Va., in the home of her daughter Mrs. Emma LAURENT, where she had been visiting when she took ill. She had been a sufferer from asthma for many years. Her last sickness was of three days duration. Mrs. DEWOLF was twice married. Her first husband, with whom she came from Belgium to Noblestown 45 years ago, was Aime HEMRY. He died about 22 years ago. He had resided the last 45 years of her life in Noblestown and in Champion. She leaves her husband, a son Alexander HEMRY of Harrisburg, the daughter in whom she died, and a sister, Mrs. Gustave DELMINTAUGE of Sturgeon. The funeral was held Wednesday from her late home in Champion. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - April 10, 1931 McDonald Record Obits

Calixte GILLARD, 81, died at 2 a.m. Tuesday, April 7, 1931, in his home in Cecil township, a short distance south of Laurel Hill where he had resided the past 44 years. He was a native of Belgium and a coal miner by occupation. His aged wife survives him. The funeral is being held this Thursday afternoon. Burial is in the Robinson's Run cemetery. April 10, 1931 McDonald Record Obits

Desire THOMASSY, 67, for more than fifty years a resident of McDonald, died suddenly at 7:30 o'clock Saturday morning, April 25, 1931, as he was about to open the store of the Service Stores Corporation in Marianna, of which he was a manager. For some time he had not been in rugged health, but continued in his employment. Mr. THOMASSY was born in Belgium, November 25, 1863, a son of the late Mrs. And Mrs. Thomas THOMASSY. The THOMASSY family removed from Belgium to France, and in 1880 came to the United States, locating at Smithton. Shortly afterward the family moved to McDonald, and for many years resided in the THOMASSY homestead in what is now Deloche avenue. Mr. THOMASSY had been employed the fast thirty-nine years as manager of stores for the Federal Supply Co., the Noblestown Supply Co., and the Service Stores Corporation. He was manager of the Federal Supply Co. stores in McDonald for many years. For several years past he has been manager of the Marianna store of the Service Stores Corporation. He was a member of the Carnegie PPOE, MacDonald lodge, IOOF, the Loyal Order of MOOSE, the K. of P. and the Royal Arcanum. For years he was a member of the McDonald Hose Co. Mr. THOMASSY was an upright citizen, a good family man, and a loyal friend. There is no guile in his make-up. Though he made no profession of religious faith, he was unconsciously in that which is good, and true and pure and his conduct in life was such that no one could say that Desire THOMASSY had wronged or taken advantage of him. He was held in high esteem by his associates in business and had the good-will of those who were or who had been in his employ. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Juliette BROWETT THOMASSY and the following children: Leona the wife of Leon B. WILLIAMS of Cleveland, Okla., Julia the wife of James F. CRAIG, Burgettstown: Walter of Fairmont, W. Va.; George of Carnegie, Arthur of Burgettstown, and Lena the wife of Raymond SIMPSON of Fifth street, McDonald. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Celine, the wife of Seal BAGUET of Hays, Anna the wife of George GILLESPIE, Sr. of McDonald, Celeste the wife of H. H. DELOCHE of Dalton, Ohio, Fernand A. THOMASSY, West Lincoln avenue, McDonald, Ida the wife of E. T. ROBERT of Fanny street, McDonald, George E. THOMASSY of Burgettstown, and Julia the wife of George YOUNG of Wilkinsburg. A daughter Laura died in 1901. A son Fernand died in 1918 and a son Thomas died in 1926. There are eleven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the THOMASSY home in Fifth street, conducted by the Rev. B. F. HEANY, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of McDonald. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - May 8, 1931 Obits McDonald PA Record

Joseph PENSIS, 65, died at 3:20 a.m. Sunday, May 24, 1931, in his home in Orchard street of complications. He had been ill since December 17. He was a son of the late Joseph and Catherine PENSIS and was born in Chatelineau, Belgium. He came to America in 1885, locating in McDonald. Later he removed to Charleroi, where in 1895 he was united in marriage with Amelia WALOT. To this union four children were born-Louise, Emilie, Henri, and Armand. The last named died in infancy. Mrs. PENSIS died March 26, 1905, and Mr. PENSIS remarried July 2, 1915. A son Amie of this union survives, together with the 3 children of the first marriage-Mrs. Louise PAYNE of Rayland, Ohio, Mrs. Emilie BIBBEE of Tiltonville, Ohio, and Henri of Dillonvale, Ohio. A sister Mrs.
Rosalie BOYNES and a brother John of Charleroi and a brother Miles PENSIS of McDonald also survive. He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose No. 65 of Carnegie, and La Solidarite association of McDonald. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the home in charge of Mr. Fernal BROWETT. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery.

May 29, 1931 Obits McDonald PA Record

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Alice DELBARRE, wife of Harry DELBARRE, of California, PA. The deceased was aged 39 years and died in the Magee hospital, Pittsburgh, yesterday at 6:05 pm. Besides her husband, Mrs. Delbarre is survived by two daughters and an infant son six days old. Other members of the family of the deceased are her father, Mr. Charles DEMIERBE, of California (PA) and the following sisters and daughters; Mrs. B DESIRE of California, Ms. BRISON and Mrs. Charles BRIGODE, both of Charleroi, and Mr. Emile BASTIN, of Bear Creek, Montana. Funeral services will be held from the late home in California, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Burson, of the First Presbyterian church, of California, of which the deceased was a member, will have a charge of the services. – The Monessen Daily Independent, Monessen, PA, 24 Dec 1931

Funeral services for Mrs. Apoline CABARET, aged 65 years, 8 months and 21 days who died at her home on McKinley Hill, Thursday evening, November 10, 1932 at 8:45 o'clock, following an illness of complications was conducted from the late home, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial was in the Point Marion cemetery. Mrs. CABARET was born in Jumet, Belgium, the daughter of Leon THIRY and Rosalie DELFOSSE. Her husband Emile CABARET preceded her in death on October 7, 1932. She is survived by the following children, Mrs. Irene FRERE of Point Marion, Mrs. Mary GIBSON of Masontown, WV., Mrs. Alice GOFFAUX and Mrs. Amelia LADIRE both of Charleston, WV, and Edgar CABARET at home. - Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 15 Nov 1932

John LEONARD, aged 75 years, pioneer resident of Charleroi died Friday night, March 17, 1933, at 11:50 o'clock at his home in 21 Crest avenue. Mr. LEONARD, born July 11, 1857 in Belgium, was one of the community's first settlers and was among the first employed by the Pittsburgh Plate Glass company. He had been declining in health for some time. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. S A SWERINGEN, who is en route home from Tucson, Ariz., where she had been with her husband; three sons, Anthony LEONARD; three sons, Anthony LEONARD of Detroit, Mich., and Fred and Emil LEONARD of Charleroi. His wife died in the year 1902. Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his daughter, Mrs. S A SWERINGEN, 705 Washington avenue. Rev. Frank S Montgomery, pastor of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church, will be in charge. Interment will be in Charleroi cemetery. The deceased is an uncle of John J LEONARD of this city, whose father, a brother of the dead man was also a pioneer resident of Charleroi and Monessen. - The Monessen Daily Independent, 20 March 1933

Leon BALZA, aged 78 years, died Saturday afternoon, August 5, 1933 at 5:30 o'clock at his home in 1002 Crest avenue. Mr. Balza was one the community's pioneer residents. He settled here 42 years ago, coming from Charleroi, Belgium, where he was born. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Adelaide Balza; four sons, Rene, Maurice, Herman and Arnold; one daughter Bertha Balza; six grandchildren and two brothers, Oscar Balza of Charleroi and Jules Balza of Rochester, PA. Funeral services will be held tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon, at two o'clock at the late home with the Rev. Bernard C Newman, rector of St. Mary’s Episcopal church as the minister. Interment will be in Charleroi Cemetery. The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA – 7 Aug 1933

Word has been received in Monessen announcing the death of Mrs. Fernanda Camille PANCOOK, which occurred on January 26th at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stephen WILSON, in Masontown, W Va. Mrs. PANCOOK was the widow of August J PANCOOK, Sr. and the family resided here in the early days. A son Julius F PANCOOK, the daughter, three sisters and six grandchildren survive. Two sons, August Jr. and Arthur PANCOOK preceded their mother in death. Arthur’s family are residents of this city. Mrs. PANCOOK was born in Belgium where her three sisters reside. The remains were laid to rest temporarily in a mausoleum at East Grove cemetery and will be brought to the Belle Vernon cemetery for interment.

The Monessen Daily Independent, 7 Feb 1934

Mrs. Emma WITTEBORT, prominent Point Marion resident, died Saturday night, February 24th, in the Cresson sanatorium where she had been a patient several months. The body was removed Sunday to her late residence in Point Marion. She is survived by her husband Emil WITTEBORT, who is an employee of the Quertinnmont Glass Company, and the following children: Sylvester, Senora and Mrs. Virginia BUMGARDNER, at home; Mrs. William DULIERE of Point Marion and Ned WITTEBORT of Pittsburgh. Funeral arrangements remained incomplete this morning. - Daily News Standard, Uniontown, PA – 26 February 1934

Dominick SCHEERS, 74, died at one o'clock Thursday morning, March 15, 1934, in his home in Sturgeon. Mr. SCHEERS was born April 16, 1860, in Belgium, and came to the United States twenty-eight years ago, locating in Sturgeon, where he had resided ever since. He was a coal miner by occupation, retiring several years ago. He is survived by his wife and a brother Paul SCHEERS, who resides next door. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in charge of the Rev. A. R. ARMSTRONG of the Robinson’s Run U. P. church, McDonald. Burial will be in the Robinson’s Run cemetery.

Mar. 16, 1934 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Henry CHIFF dies at 5:45 a.m. Sunday, March 25, 1934, of complications, in the home of his daughter Mrs. Charles LIEBERT in Primrose, where he had made his home the past eight months. Mr. CHIFF was born in Belgium, December 7, 1860, the son of Joseph and Virginia CHIFF. He came to the United States 52 years ago, locating in McDonald. Four years later he moved to Primrose where he had since resided. He was united in marriage in 1885 with Octavie DEBLANDER, who died January 6, 1923. To this union were
born five children: August of Primrose, Gustave, who died May 4, 1924, Flora the wife of Maurice MANSON of St.Albans, N.Y., Joseph of Primrose, and Lena the wife of Charles LIEBERT of Primrose. A sister Mrs. Frances BUREAU resides in Belgium. There are nine grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the home of his daughter Mrs. Charles CHIFF (sic, but I think it should be LIEBERT), conducted by the Rev. D. O. E. GARDNER of the First Presbyterian church. Burial was in the Center cemetery, Midway. - Mar. 30, 1934 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Word has been received by Mrs. Eli CARLIER of the death of her uncle, Joseph LEROY, police commissioner of Gilly, Belgium, on March 21, 1934, of a stroke, at the age of 79. Mr. LEROY is well known to many of the Belgian people of McDonald. He was on the Gilly police 45 years. He leaves his wife and two grandsons. - Apr 6, 1934 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Edmond J LEROY, aged 88(?), a glassworker for many years a resident of Point Marion, died in Uniontown Hospital, Wednesday at 6:00 from a complication of diseases. He is survived by his wife Amelia; four daughters, Mrs. Stanley JONES of Point Marion, Mrs. P.Q MOHL of Morgantown, Mrs. D LEROY SCHROYER and Lilian LEROY of Point Marion. Two granddaughters, a sister, Mrs. John ROBERTS of Jeannette and three brothers, Clifford of Point Marion; Michael of Charleston, WVa, and Peter of Junet, Belgium also survive. Funeral services will be conducted at the home Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with burial in the Point Marion Cemetery. Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA, 23 Aug 1934

GUYAUX Services To Be Held Today - Point Marion Nov 1.
At the late home of Cheat Street, last rites are to be held tomorrow at two o'clock for Mrs. Sadie GUYAUX, whose sudden passing came as a shock to the whole neighborhood late Tuesday afternoon. From Mrs. Mary BRIDGODE, who lived with her sister, we learn that she had been in extraordinary good health recently and since Sunday had seemed to be in a more jovial mood than customary. Mrs. BRIGODE departed a few minutes before 6 o'clock to visit her daughter and on her return fifteen minutes later discovered the aged lady prostrate. When medical aid arrived life had departed in the wake of a heart attack. Rev Fr A M Benedik will conduct the services with interment in the family plot in the Point Marion Cemetery, Conn Bros in charge.

Mrs. Sadie GUYAUX was born the daughter of Augustine and Fernand COLINET in Floreffe, Namur, Belgium August 20, 1867. Married to Peter J GUYAUX Sr. the couple came to America 1882, first to Duquesne, Pa. She was preceded in death by an only daughter, Mrs. Leon LAURENT, over 30 years ago, her husband Peter J GUYAUX , Sr. who passed on fourteen years ago, followed by her eldest son Peter J GUYAUX Jr., twelve years ago. Left to mourn her passing are a son: Fred GUYAUX of Clarksburg, WVa, two sisters, Mary BRIGODE of Point Marion and Mrs. J B CHERUY, Jumet, Belgium; and the following grand children, Helen and Howard GUYAUX, Uniontown, Mrs. Phyllis NESLER, of Clarksburg, WVa and Emile LAURENT, Brussels, Belgium. Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 2 Nov 1934

Georgie Emile MATON, one of the most widely known and highly respected residents of Point Marion, died suddenly at 12:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, January 3, 1935. In his home only a short time after returning from his morning's work. Mr. Maton was a native of Jaumet, Belgium having been born there August 20, 1866. After serving several years with the King's Army in the Belgian Congo, he returned and took up the glass trade. He went to Point Marion with the advent there of the handmade window glass industry. He also served for a number of years as doorman at Barney's theater. Surviving are: his widow, Mary Maton, and two daughters, Mrs. Anna Fahey and Miss Georgianna Maton. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. Jan 4, 1935 - Donation from Marilyn M Tolentino. (Transcribed by Beverly Sellers-Niel for the Fayette Co, Genealogy Project)

Mrs. Denise STRIMEL VOLPE, 41, died at 3:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon, July 6, 1935, in her home in Lorain, Ohio. Death ended a lingering illness of five years. She had been confined to her bed the past year and a half. Mrs. VOLPE was born September 15, 1894, in Jumet, Belgium, and brought to America by her parents at the age of 11. The STIMELS first resided in Cecil, later removing to McDonald. On April 27, 1910, she was united in marriage with John VOLPE in Donora. They resided for 15 years in Cecil. From Cecil the VOLPEs moved to Lorain, Ohio. Mrs. VOLPE is survived by her husband, three daughters, Elda, Ellen and Erma, and a son, John, Jr. A daughter Eva died December 7, 1932. She is also survived by her mother, Mrs. J. B. ROBERTS of McDonald and the following brothers and sisters: Herman STRIMEL, Mrs. Robert HERD, Albert STRIMEL, Raymond STRIMEL, and Ferdinand STRIMEL of McDonald, and Miss Simone STRIMEL of Lancaster. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the VOLPE home in Lorain, conducted by the Re. L. E. ROTHROCK of the Methodist church of Lorain, Ohio. Burial was in the Ridgeville cemetery. - July 12,1935 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Melchoir WILLIAMS, 74, died Tuesday evening, July 23, 1935, at 9:50 o'clock in his home in McKee Place. Mr. WILLIAMS had been ill of asthma and complications the past eight months. He was born January 21, 1861, in Belgium. On May 13, 1882, he was united in marriage with Mary VINARION, also of Belgium, and in 1886 they came to America. Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAMS celebrated their golden wedding anniversary three years ago last May. Besides his wife, he is survived by the following sons and daughters: Seamont WILLIAMS of Sturgeon and Sylvester WILLIAMS of McDonald; Mrs. Helen JIANNINO of Sturgeon; Kathryn, the wife of William NOTTE of Holidays Cove, W.Va.; Blanch, the wife of Sylvester DUCARME of Southview, and Rose, the wife of George CONLEY of Walkers Mill. There are nineteen grandchildren. Funeral services will be held this Saturday. July 26, 1935 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Nestor J. MATHIEU, 70, died at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 7, 1935, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Joseph VANDERBORD, in Ambridge. Death was due to complications. He had been sick since the first of March. Mr. MATHIEU was born October 9, 1864, in Sallisalle, Belgium, a son of Celestin and Anastasia MATHIEU, and one of 11 children. About 45 years ago he came to the United States and on January 28, 1893, he was united in marriage with Flora GILBERT of Primrose. He was a member of Center U. P.
church, Midway. He is survived by his wife, who makes her home with her daughter in Ambridge, a daughter Ellen, the wife of Joseph VANDENBORD of Ambridge, and a son Eugene of Philadelphia. A brother Severin resides in Sallisalle, Belgium. There are two grandchildren. Funeral services will be held this Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, DST, in the home of his daughter, 1518 Ohioview avenue, Ambridge. Burial will be in the Center cemetery, Midway. - Aug. 9, 1935 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Clementine DELMONTAGUE32, 78, died suddenly of heart trouble at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, September 25, 1935, in her home in Champion, near Sturgeon. Mrs. DELMONTAGUE was born December 11, 1856, in Belgium. She had been a resident of the Sturgeon locality for 45 years. An only child, a son, preceded her in death. Besides her husband, Gustave, she is survived by a granddaughter, Mrs. Elmer GRIMES and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held in the family home on Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock Daylight Savings Time. Burial will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. Sept. 27, 1935 Obits, McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Desiree LEMAL, 81, died at 3:37 a.m. Sunday, November 10, 1935, after an illness of several years of complications. Mrs. LEMAL before her marriage was Desiree FAUGONNIER. She was born July 15, 1854, in Antwerp, Belgium. At the age of 35 she came to the United States and settled in Sturgeon. She was united in marriage with Celestine LEMAL, May 1, 1890, in Pittsburgh. Her husband died a number of years ago. She is survived by one son, Jules LEMAL of East Lincoln avenue, McDonald, and one step-daughter, Lena, the wife of J. B. TEILHET of Farrell, formerly of McDonald. There are seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon n the home of her son, in East Lincoln avenue, conducted by the Rev. O. E. GARDNER. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - Nov. 13, 1935 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Aime VANDERMESS Called By Death on Anniversary of Wedding Dec 11, 1879
Point Marion, PA, Dec 12 – Death claimed Aime VANDERMESS, well known local resident just 55 years to the day after he had married Miss Josephine SOUPLET at Jumet, Belgium. Mr. and Mrs. VANDERMESS were married on December 11, 1879 and at noon on that date, 56 years later, Mr. VANDERMESS, who had lived an active and useful life answered the final call. The couple was preparing to quietly celebrate the occasion at the home here. Mr. VANDERMESS was aged 81 years, five months and 11 days, well known local resident just 55 years to the day after he had married Miss Josephine SOUPLET at Jumet, Belgium. Mr. and Mrs. VANDERMESS were married on December 11, 1879 and at noon on that date, 56 years later, Mr. VANDERMESS, who had lived an active and useful life answered the final call. The couple was preparing to quietly celebrate the occasion at the home here. Mr. VANDERMESS was aged 81 years, five months and 11 days, Eleven years later he removed to Point Marion, where the family had resided since. Mr. and Mrs. VANDERMESS were married following a courtship that lasted three years before they were married. When Mr. VANDERMESS first came to the United States he left his family in Belgium, returning later and bringing them to their new home. Mr. VANDERMESS had been ailing for upwards of a year and was unable to participate in the presentations for observing the 56th wedding anniversary, having lapsed into unconsciousness early this week.all at home, the following grand children: Arthur VANDERMESS, Jr.; Pore MANKINS, Zeluma and Rene BRASSEUR, Lillie and Rose VANDERMESS, Charles, Bertha, Annis BOUCHER of Fairchance and Emma ADAMS of Monessen and two great grand children. The Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 13 Dec 1935

Alphonse GEORGE, 69, died at 12 noon, Thursday, December 26, 1935, in his home in Sturgeon. He had been ill of pneumonia one week. He was born May 28, 1866, in Jumet, Belgium, and was united in marriage to Julia LAURENT, April 26, 1901, in Belgium. After coming to the United States he was employed by the Pittsburgh Coal Co. and had been an employee of this company the past thirty years. He had also been an active member of the Franco-Belgian club since coming here. Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Roland DRUGMAND of Imperial and Mrs. Abel MASQUELIER of Sturgeon, a son, Frank George of Imperial and a brother, August GEORGE of Sturgeon. Five grandchildren also survive. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in his late home in Sturgeon, conducted by the Rev. L. C. MATTHEWS. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. Jan. 3, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Matilda BORZEE, 87, widow of Louis BORZEE, died at 9 p.m. Saturday, December 3833, 1935, in her home, 207 Liberty Street, McDonald. Death was due to infirmities incident to her advanced age. Born in ROUZ, Belgium, March 4, 1848, she was married to Louis BORZEE in 1869 and came with her husband to McDonald in May, 1887. She had resided here since. She leaves a son, David BORZEE of McDonald and a daughter, Mrs. Samuel C. STEWART of McDonald. There are two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held in the late home, Tuesday afternoon in charge of the Rev. R. M. GROVE of Noblestown, and Mr. F. J. BROWETT of McDonald. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - Jan. 3, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Frank J. SCOUVATT. Sr., 59, Avella merchant, whose grocery store was extensively damaged by fire Saturday morning, died early Wednesday, January 29, 1936, in his home in Avella after a long illness of a complication of diseases. Born in Belgium, he came to the United States at the age of 10 and resided in the Cecil and McDonald districts where he was employed for eighteen years as a clerk and store manager. Thirty-one years ago he moved to Avella and opened his own hardware store, and seven years ago he also opened a grocery store there, conducting business in both until the time of his death. He was prominent in that community. He was a member

Name spelled DELAMONTAGNE on the 1930 US Census (District 733, North Fayette, Allegheny Co): Gustave, 61y, b in Belgium, with his wife Clementine, 73 also b in Belgium; emigrated respectively in 1889 and 1900. They live with their grand-daughter’s family: Elmer GRIMES, 23, b in PA (PA/MD); wife Alexina GRIMES, 21; three great-grandchildren: Shirley,3y5m; Darlene,2y3m; and John 1y1m- Elmer drives trucks.

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of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and an elder of the First Presbyterian church of Avella. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Petronella DELVAUX SOUVART of McDonald, the wife, Mrs. Helen EGBERT SOUVART of Avella, three daughters, Mrs. George P. SHANKS, Mrs. David H.WILLIAMS, and Miss Edna Mae SOUVART, and a son F. J.SOUVART, Jr., all of Avella. Five grandchildren also survive. Funeral services will be held in the home at Avella this Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. N. E. KOEHLER, Jr., pastor of Avella Presbyterian church, in charge. Burial will be in the West Middletown cemetery.

Jan. 31, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Cesare J. Lorant, 69, died Thursday, February 6, 1936, in his home in Cherry Valley of the effects of a stroke of paralysis suffered Wednesday. He had been in poor health since an earlier stroke two years ago. Mr. LORANT had lived in this section about 35 years. He was a native of Belgium, coming to this country when a young man. After coming to America he married Josephine, also a native of Belgium. He was well known in the Cherry Valley section. Much of his life he spent as a miner, but the last 10 or 12 years he had been a successful farmer. He leaves his wife and two sons, Arthur at home, and Achille P. LORANT of Cherry Valley. He also leaves three brothers and two sisters, Arthur LORANT of Morgantown, W. Va., Telesphore and Peter LORANT of New Kensington, Ermel DESTREE of Canada, and Sylvie TRESSY of Miami, Fla. The sisters were unable to attend the funeral, but the three brothers were present. Services were held Saturday afternoon in the home of his son, Achilles P. LORANT, in Cherry Valley. Burial was in Fairview cemetery, Burgettstown.

Feb. 14, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. VIGNERON WILLIAMS, 76, wife of the late Melchoir WILLIAMS, died at 9:30 o'clock Sunday evening, February 16, 1936, in her home in McKee Place, Sturgeon. Mrs. WILLIAMS was born December 25, 1860, in Auvlet, Belgium, and was united in marriage with Mr. Williams on May 15, 1883. They came to America in 1886 and made their residence in this locality. Mr. WILLIAMS died July 23, 1935. Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAMS celebrated their golden wedding anniversary May 14, 1933. Mrs. WILLIAMS is survived by the following sons and daughters: Seamont WILLIAMS of Sturgeon, Sylvester WILLIAMS of McDonald, Mrs. Helen JIANNINO of Sturgeon, Catherine the wife of William NOTTE of Hollidays Cove W. Va.; Blanche, the wife of Sylvester DUCHAMAR of Southview; and Rose, the wife of George CONELY of Carnegie. There are nineteen grandchildren. Funeral services were held this Thursday afternoon in the late home in charge of the Rev. L. G. RICHEY of Franklin, W. Va. Burial was in the Robinsons' Run cemetery.

Feb. 21, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Jane DELVAUX SCHOLLAERT, 40, wife of William C. SCHOLLAERT of Joffre, died at 4:40 a.m., Friday, February 21, 1936. She had been ill about five months. She was born in Belgium and came to this country at the age of eight years. Before going to Burgettstown 13 years ago she had resided in Charleroi, Donora, and Monessen. Surviving are her husband, William C. SCHOLLAERT, and a daughter Dorothy, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre DELVAUX, and three sisters, Simone, and Denise DELVAUX and Mrs. ESTON MOYER, all of North Charleroi. The funeral was held from the home of Julian SCHOLLAERT in Sturgeon Monday morning, with requiem high mass in St. Patrick's church, Noblestown. Burial was in the Noblestown cemetery.

Feb. 28, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Eli Mortelette, 47, single, died Monday noon, April 20, 1936, in the State hospital in Torrance where he had been a patient the past eight years. Death was due to heart trouble. He is survived by five brothers and one sister: Samuel of Cleveland, Ohio, Peter and Jules of East Pittsburgh, George of McDonald, Rene of Pittsburgh, and Rachel, the wife of Victor CATRAIN of McDonald. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Mortelette, who came to McDonald from Belgium over 40 years ago. Mrs. Mortelette died in 1923, and Mrs. Mortelette died in 1928. Funeral services are being held this Thursday afternoon in the Irons Memorial French U. P. church, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Alexandre Mage, who will be assisted by Mr. F. J. Browett. Burial in Hilldale cemetery.

Apr. 24, 1936 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Joseph Cenis, a former resident of McDonald, died suddenly Saturday, May 9, 1936, in East Liverpool, Ohio. He was aged 59 years, 4 months, and 9 days. A son of Leon and Felice Cenis, Joseph Cenis and his brother Victor CENIS of McDonald came to America forty-three years ago this May. He resided in McDonald until 1909, when he moved to Raccoon, where he conducted a grocery business and later moved to a farm on the Bulger road. About a year ago, because of ill health, he went to Youngstown, Ohio, to make his home with his daughters. On July 3, 1901, he was united in marriage with Leocadie WAUTHIER of Avella, Pennsylvania. They had been married about 10 or 12 years. She was born February 27, 1866, in Belgium. She and Alexander BLEUMONT were married in 1885 in Belgium and came to the United States 50 years ago, first locating in Fannie street extension, McDonald. He died June 13, 1923. Mrs. BLEUMONT (sic) was a member of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church. She is survived by four daughters: Mary, the wife of Jules Z. Masquelier of Valley street, McDonald, in whose home she died; Maria, the wife of Fernal SPLIT of Wilkinsburg; Nettie, the wife of John STEINHEISER of...
Fannie street extension, McDonald; and Josephine, the wife of T. G. SCHAYES of Vinita, Okla., and one sister, Hortense, the wife of F. DINDAL of Charleroi. There are ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the MASQUELIER home conducted by the Rev. Alexandre MAGE, D. D., pastor of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church. Burial was in the Hilldale cemetery. - Mar 11, 1938 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Mrs. Florentina DELIGINESSE BOHY, 75, died at 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 6, 1938, in the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. James PHILLIPS, in Monessen, after an illness of several months. She was a daughter of Barney and Victoria DELIGINESSE, and was born in the Province of Brabant, Belgium, coming to the United States in 1886. She was a former resident of McDonald. Mrs. BOHY is survived by two sons, Leon and Osval, both of Monessen. There are three grandchildren and one great-grandchild. A sister survives in Belgium. Mr. BOHY died on January 19, 1935. Funeral services were held last Saturday afternoon in the PHILLIPS home, conducted by the Rev. Mr. BOETTCHER, pastor of the Monessen M. E. church. Burial was in Belle Vernon.

July 15, 1938 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Leon MONSEAU, 52, died Thursday, July 7, 1938, in his home in Weirton, W. Va. after an illness of seven months. He was a son of Juliette MONSEAU and the late Herbert MONSEAU, and was born in Belgium. He had been a resident of Cecil for 35 years before going to Weirton where he was employed in the tin mill. Mr. MONSEAU was twice married. His first wife died 20 years ago. He was a member of LaSolidarite Association Mutuelle of Cecil. Besides his second wife, Mrs. LaFrance MONSEAU, he is survived by three sons: Edward, Leon, and Florent; two daughters: Marie Calena and Henrietta; his mother and his stepfather, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice VERNET; two brothers: Sidney of Weirton and Albert of Warren, Ohio; two stepsisters: Mrs. Mary FERIARIE and Mrs. Edna BROWE; and seven grandchildren. His father, a brother, Edward, and a sister Henrietta BALON, are dead. Funeral services were held at one o'clock Sunday afternoon in the MONSEAU home in Weirton and at three o'clock in the Venice U. P. church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. C. T. LITTELL, D. D. Burial was in the Venice cemetery.

July 15, 1938 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Ida ROMAIN DELANEY, 56, wife of Jules DELANEY of Champion hill, Sturgeon, died at 2:45 a.m. Tuesday, August 23, 1938, in the Mercy hospital after an illness of three years. A daughter of the late Anthony and Philomene FREMAL ROMAINE, she was born November 4, 1882, in Belgium and came to the United States with her parents at the age of five. She spent her entire life in Noblestone and Sturgeon. She and Jules DELANEY were united in marriage November 22, 1902, in McDonald. Besides her husband she is survived by four children: Juliette, the wife of Samuel WATTERS of Oakdale, Norma, the wife of Robert GAITENS, Jr., of Sturgeon, and Rose Marie and Florence at home; seven sons: Raymond of Noblestone, and George, Jules, Arthur, Hector, Bobby, and James, all at home; one sister, Mrs. Emile RANK, Sr., of Sturgeon; two brothers: Desire ROMAIN of Sturgeon, and Joseph ROMAIN of Barbont, Ohio, and four grandchildren. One daughter died in infancy. Funeral services were held August 25 in the DELANEY home, conducted by the Rev. James G. BARRONS, pastor of the Noblestone U. P. church, and the Rev. W. V. RITCHIE, pastor of the Oakdale U. P. church. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery.

Sept. 2, 1938 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Edmund VIGNOUL died in 1938 24. Edmund Vignoul, aged 43, veteran of the World war and a member of the Point Marion American Legion, died suddenly at 8:30 Tuesday morning in Clarksburg, W. Va., from Heart disease. He served overseas for a number of months. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 Thursday morning in Clarksburg, followed by a military burial in charge of the Legion in Evergreen Memorial cemetery, Point Marion. The Legion will conduct the last rites. Mr. Vignoul was born March 14, 1895 in Belgium a son of Leon and Marie Vignoul. He was married to Beatrice Warman, daughter of Clark and Emma Warman, of Point Marion. In addition to his widow, he leaves two children, Florence Marie and Edmund, Jr., and a brother, Leon of Clarksburg.

Aug 31, 1938 Herald Standard

Mrs. Petronille SCOUVART, 88, of Liberty street, McDonald, died at 7 p.m. Monday, September 18 1938, in the home of John B. ROBERT in Miller street, McDonald, after a long illness. Mrs. SCOUVART, widow of Vital SCOUVART who died 25 years ago, had resided in McDonald the last 51 years. She was born in Belgium. Her only son, Frank SCOUVART, a prominent businessman at Avella, died in January of 1936. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Rogers Funeral Home, with the Rev. N. E. KOEHLER of Avella conducting the service. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Sept. 23, 1938 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Frank MICHAUX, 59, of 320 East Lincoln avenue, McDonald, died at 6:20 p.m. Saturday, September 24, 1938, in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, of a heart ailment. He had been in ill health for three years. He was a carpenter by trade and had resided in McDonald the last 52 years. He was born April 5, 1879, in Charleroi, Belgium, and came to the United States with his parents at the age of seven. In 1903 he was united in marriage with Mare DEKEGEL in McDonald. Surviving are his wife, Mary; three daughters, Mrs. Amelia YECKO of Valley street, McDonald; Mrs. Leona GOULARD of Houston and Miss Doris MICHAUX, at home, and one son Harry of the L. O. O. M. apartments, McDonald. There are five grandchildren. A sister, Mrs. Leona GRABILL lives in Everett. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the home, conducted by the Rev. A. R. ARMSTRONG of Washington and the Rev. Alexandre MAGE of the Irons Memorial French church. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery.

Sept. 30, 1938 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

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Mrs. Marie Ann BARBER, 73, died at 9:15 p.m. Saturday, July 12, 1941, in her home in Monaca, following a six-month illness due to a paralytic stroke. She was born October 5, 1867, in Belgium. She is survived by one son, John BARBER, and one daughter, Margaret, the wife of Nick ELDER, both of Monaca; one brother, Joseph BOUCHA of New Sheffield, and two sisters: Mrs. Peter J. CHARLIER of McDonald and Mrs. George DUJARDIN of Baltimore, Md. Two brothers resided in Belgium. Her husband, Harry BARBER, died May 15, 1940. Funeral services were held July 16 in the BARBER home, conducted by the Rev. C. E. READ. Burial was in Sylvania Hills cemetery. - McDonald Record-Outlook July 25, 1941

Adolph CAMBIEN, 85, died Sunday, August 10, 1941, in his home in Cecil. He was born May 23, 1856, in Belgium and came to the United States 48 years ago. He had been a resident of Sturgeon before moving to Cecil and was a retired coal miner. His wife, Emily CAMBIEN, died February 15, 1926. There are no relatives. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Coleman funeral home, Cecil. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. - McDonald Record-Outlook Aug 15, 1941

Mrs. Mary SOUFFRANT CARLY, 62, widow of Fortney CARLY, died at 2:20 p.m. Thursday, March 5, 1942, in her home on the Noblestown road at Sturgeon, after an illness of only a few hours. A daughter of Mrs. Mary WAUTHIER SOUFFRANT of Sturgeon and the late Alexander SOUFFRANT, she was born September 23, 1879, in Belgium. Coming to the United States at an early age, Mrs. CARLY had been a resident of Sturgeon the past 45 years. Besides her mother, she is survived by one son, August CARLY at home; three brothers; August SOUFFRANT, Jules SOUFFRANT, and Firmin SOUFFRANT, all of Sturgeon; two sisters, Mrs. John (Augusta) PUSKAR of Columbus, Ohio, and Mrs. William (Phoebe) RENNEKAMP of McKees Rocks. There are two grandchildren. Mr. CARLY died in 1929. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the CARLY home, conducted by the Rev. Father ERKINS, pastor of St. Patrick's church, Noblestown. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Mar. 13, 1942 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Mrs. Pauline HENRY THIELET, 54, died at 2:40 p.m. Thursday, March 5, 1942, in her home in Cecil, following a tree-month illness. She was born in Belgium and upon arrival in the United States locating in Noblestown. She and Joseph THIELET were married in 1906 in Cecil. Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons: George THIELET of Hills, Felix THIELET of Cecil, and Raymond THIELET of Cecil, one daughter, Mrs. William ROBERTS of Pittsburgh; three brothers, Felix HENRY of Canonsburg, Ferdinand HENRY of Cecil, and George HENRY of Noblestown. There are six grandchildren. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the THIELET home, conducted by the Rev. Alexandre MAGE, D. D., pastor of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church, McDonald. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. - Mar. 13, 1942 McDonald PA Record-Outlook

Louis GILLES, 71, of McDonald, a former resident of Midway, died at 4:20p.m. Wednesday, July 8, 1942, in St. Margaret's Memorial hospital, Pittsburgh. He had been ill for two weeks. Born on August 27, 1871, in Alsemont, (Alsemont) Belgium, he was the son of August and Mary LEGREEN GILLES, and came to this country many years ago. Mr. GILLES was married 51 years ago to Leontine HOLS, who survives. He was in business in Midway for 29 years as a merchant and had resided in McDonald for the past two years. Surviving in addition to his wife, are two sons, Ferdinand of Fowlersville, Mich., and Edmond of Midway; three daughters: Mrs. Louisa CULLEY of McDonald, Emma and Elsie at home, and four grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in the home, 214 Barr street, in charge of the Rev. R. C. SUT_ON, pastor of the Burgettstown, U.P. Church. Burial will be in Center cemetery, Midway. - July 10, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Joseph PIERRARD, 48, died suddenly of a heart attack about 1:00 p.m. Saturday, July 18, 1942, in his home, 344 North street, McDonald. A son of Philip PIERRARD of McDonald and the late Alice BERGER PIERRARD, he was born June 23, 1894, in Belgium and came to the United States with his parents at the age of six years, Locating in McDonald. He and Margaret ZIRWAS of McDonald were married September 29, 1920, in McDonald by the Rev. W. D. IRONS. Mr. PIERRARD enlisted in World War I and was a first class private. He served with his parents at the age of six years, Locating in McDonald. He and Margaret ZIRWAS of McDonald were married September 29, 1920, in McDonald by the Rev. W. D. IRONS. Mr. PIERRARD enlisted in World War I and was a first class private. He served eleven months overseas. He was a W.P.A. worker and was a member of LaSolidarite association and the McDonald Volunteer Fire department. Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Margaret SHOTIS of Primrose; on son, Philip PIERRARD at home; one brother, Emile PIERRARD of McDonald, and two sisters: Mrs. Edmond DILLON of McDonald and Mrs. E. A. RANK of Sturgeon. There is one grandchild, Rose Marie SHOTIS. His mother died eight years ago; a sister, Mrs. Theodore LEGROS died August 15, 1929, and a daughter died in infancy. Funeral services with military honors were held Tuesday afternoon in the Emile PIERRARD home, North street, conducted by the Rev. O. E. GARDNER, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, McDonald, assisted by the Rev. Grant M. McKNIGHT, D. D. pastor of Robinson's Run church. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Among the friends from out-of-town who attended the funeral were the Howard GILES family of Pittsburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. ATTORIO of Ohio, and Mrs. Margaret GEHRKE of Buffalo, N.Y. July 24, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Julienne DAOUT VEREGHAN, 70, of 235 Barr street, McDonald, widow of Louis Joseph VEREGHAN, drowned Thursday, July 23, 1942, in a pool known as the "Third Entry" near Sturgeon. Mrs. VEREGHAN was reported to have left her home in the morning and had apparently walked about three miles from McDonald when the drowning occurred. The first knowledge of the tragedy came about noon when two Sturgeon boys, Louis DAMS and Glenn VEZIE, who had gone to the pool to swim, found her body floating on the surface. The body was removed to the James R. Coleman Funeral home at Cecil. A daughter of John Baptiste and Angeline H. S. EDMINDE, she was born December 19, 1869, in Belgium and upon arriving in the United States she located in Sturgeon, where she had resided for 43 years. After her husband’s death in January 1940, she moved to McDonald and made her
Harrison Victor DAGUE, 74, of Main street Sturgeon, died at 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 26, 1942, in the Washington hospital following a three-month illness. He was born in Washington county. He and Celine GUAYAU ROMAIN were married January 1, 1914, in Pittsburgh. Mr. DAGUE was a member of the Franco-Belgian association and active in the affairs of the community. Besides his wife he is survived by a step-son, Hector ROMAIN of Sturgeon; a brother, William DAGUE of Houston, and a sister, Mrs. Mary HUNT of Washington. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Monday in the DAGUE home. Burial will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Aug. 28, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

John B. SUPLIT, 71, single, died Sunday night, August 15, 1942, in the Washington County Home at Arden, following a year's illness. He suffered a paralytic stroke about a year ago while residing in McDonald and was removed to the Home. A son of John J. and Antoinette LEJEUNE SUPLIT, he was born in Belgium and came to the United States with his parents about fifty years ago, locating in McDonald. He was a coal miner by occupation. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. V. V. MARLIER of Summit street, McDonald, and two brothers, E. E. SUPLIT of Springfield, Ill., and P. J. SUPLIT of McDonald. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon, August 18. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Aug. 28, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Jules MERCIER, 50, of Primrose died at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 27, 1942, in the Canonsburg hospital. He had been in ill health the past six years and was bedfast eighteen weeks. Mr. MERCIER was born May 11, 1892, in MELLET, Belgium, and came to the United States in 1913 with his wife Louise with whom he was united in marriage December 7, 1911. They first located in Belgium hill, McDonald, and in 1914 they moved to Primrose. Mr. MERCIER was a coal miner and house painter by occupation. He was a member of La Solidarite association, McDonald. Besides his wife, Louise MERCIER, he is survived by three sons: Louis who is married and resides in Primrose, Joseph, stationed with the marines in New River, N. C., and John at home: a daughter Dorothy MERCIER at home: a grandchild, Lonnie MERCIER of Primrose. His father, two brothers and two sisters are in Belgium. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the MERCIER home, conducted by the Rev. Alfred HUBBARD, pastor of Center United Presbyterian church, Midway. Burial was in Center cemetery. - Oct. 2, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Victor DE BOE, 54, of Cecil, died Monday, November 2, 1942 in St. Francis hospital, Pittsburgh, following an illness due to complications. A son of Stanley and Tressia DEGRAVE DE BOE, he was born in Belgium, but had spent practically his entire life in Cecil. He was employed as a truck driver. He is survived by the following brothers and sisters: Mrs. Jennie PENSIS, Mrs. Emma DORDAIN, and Frank DE BOE, all of Cecil. Funeral services will be held Sunday evening in the DAGUE home. - Dec. 4, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Sylvester J. WILLIAMS, 49, of 201 Liberty street McDonald, died at 7:00p.m. Thursday, November 26, 1942, in the Aspinwall Veteran's hospital, following a brief illness. A son of the late Melchoir and Mary VIGNEAUX WILLIAMS, he was born June 22, 1893, in Laurel hill, McDonald, and had been a resident of McDonald his entire life. He was a charter member of Ernest Phillips Post American Legion No. 485, and of La Solidarite association, McDonald. Mr. WILLIAMS was employed at Champion Coal washer. He is survived by his wife, Mina Delilah WILLEY WILLIAMS; three daughters: Mary Ellen, Virginia, and Doris, and three sons: William, Sylvester, Jr., and Lee, all at home: one brother: Seamont WILLIAMS of Sturgeon; four sisters, Mrs. Helen JIANNINO of Sturgeon, Mrs. Kate NOTTE of Hollidays Cove, W. Va., Mrs. Blanche DUCARME of Canonsburg, and Mrs. Rose PREAUX, Mrs. Augustine CHABOSOL and John DE BOE, all of Cecil. Funeral services are being held this Thursday afternoon in the home of his sister Mrs. CHABOSOL. Burial in Venice cemetery. - Nov. 6, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Sylvester J. WILLIAMS, 49, of 201 Liberty street McDonald, died at 7:00p.m. Thursday, November 26, 1942, in the Aspinwall Veteran's hospital, following a brief illness. A son of the late Melchoir and Mary VIGNEAUX WILLIAMS, he was born June 22, 1893, in Laurel hill, McDonald, and had been a resident of McDonald his entire life. He was a charter member of Ernest Phillips Post American Legion No. 485, and of La Solidarite association, McDonald. Mr. WILLIAMS was employed at Champion Coal washer. He is survived by his wife, Mina Delilah WILLEY WILLIAMS; three daughters: Mary Ellen, Virginia, and Doris, and three sons: William, Sylvester, Jr., and Lee, all at home: one brother: Seamont WILLIAMS of Sturgeon; four sisters, Mrs. Helen JIANNINO of Sturgeon, Mrs. Kate NOTTE of Hollidays Cove, W. Va., Mrs. Blanche DUCARME of Canonsburg, and Mrs. Rose CONLEY of Walkers Mill. Funeral services were held Sunday evening in the Rogers Funeral home, conducted by the Rev. S. A. MC COLLAM, D. D. pastor of the First Presbyterian church, assisted by Graham COOPER, chaplain of Ernest Phillips post, American Legion. Burial was Monday morning in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Dec. 4, 1942 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Fernande WATLET, 57, wife of Jules WATLET of Raccoon (Joffre), died suddenly of a heart attack at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 28, 1943. She had been visiting in Carnegie going to the train that was to bring her home. Mrs. WATLET was born in Belgium, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Victor DRUGMAND. Surviving besides her husband, are a daughter, Mrs. Rena DEVALKENEE of Raccoon; two sons: Albert of Raccoon and Jules of Monongahela, two brothers: Alfred DIDIOT of Bulger and Pvt. Victor DRUGMAND with the U. S. coast artillery, California, and a sister, Mrs. Amelia DUMONCEAU, in Belgium. Seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the home at Raccoon, in charge of the Rev. R. L. BIDDLE of Florence. Burial was in Center cemetery, Midway. - Feb. 5, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Lena EGBERT BAILY, 72, died Monday noon, February 1, 1943, in her home 215 Liberty street, McDonald. Her husband, Gustave BAILY, died about seven years ago. Mrs. BAILY was brought to the United States from Belgium in 1889 by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas EGBERT, and the family settled in McDonald in 1885. She is survived by two sons: Victor of Sturgeon and Arthur of McDonald, and a daughter, Evelyn, at home. There are two grandchildren and one great-grandchild, also three sisters: Mrs. J. J. CHARLIER and Mrs. Eli CARLIER of McDonald, and Mrs. Frank J. SCOBART of Avella, and a brother, Isadore EGBERT of Carnegie. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon and were in charge of Dr. MAGE, pastor of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Feb. 5, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook
Charles CHOME, a resident of Sturgeon the past fifty years, died at 7:35 p.m. Saturday, February 6, 1943, following a lingering illness. He was born June 20, 1852, in Belgium and had been a resident of Sturgeon since coming to the United States with his wife Natalie DEVAULKANIER CHOME, who died November 3, 1940. Mr. CHOME is survived by three daughters: Julia, the wife of George TOWARD of McDonald; Emma, the wife of Oscar BYKENS of Sturgeon, and Laura, the wife of Emile MEUTE of Florence; a grandson, Charles CHOME, whom they adopted. There are eight grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held February 10 in the CHOME, conducted by the Rev. O. E. GARDNER, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. - Feb. 19, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

LORIAUX, Joseph, age 66 years, a veteran glass worker, died Monday night, February 8th at 11:30 o'clock in his clock in his home in Copelli street, Pt Marion. He was born in Jumet, Belgium and came to this country at the age of five years, first living in Hartford City, Indiana. He came to Pt Marion in 1905 to work for the Federated Glass Company. He is survived by his widow and one son, Aime, owner of the little store on Railroad street. A daughter preceded him in death in 1926. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock in St Hubert's Catholic Church with Rev Topping in charge. Interment Pt Marion cemetery under the direction of the Herod Funeral Home Pt Marion. Morning Herald, Union Town, PA – 10 February 1943

Mrs. Adelaide Balza, aged 78 years, died February 23 at 4:10am at her home at 1002 Crest avenue after a short illness. She had been a resident of Charleroi for the past 50 years. Surviving are four sons: Rene, Maurice, Herman and Arnold of Charleroi; a daughter, Miss Bertha Balza, at home; seven grandchildren and one great grand-child. Friends will be received at the late home.- The Monessen Daily Independent, Monessen, PA – 23 Feb 1943

Gary E. HAINAUT, eight-month-old son of Amelia HAINAUT of Primrose, died at 4:30 a.m. Monday, February 15, 1943, in the Children's hospital, Pittsburgh, following a week's illness of pneumonia. He was born June 6, 1942, in Primrose. Besides his mother, he is survived by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip HAINAUT, and his great-grandmother, Mrs. Hortense HAINAUT of Primrose. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, February 18, in the home of his grandparents, conducted by the Rev. C. E. Chapman, pastor of the Midway Baptist church. Burial was in Center cemetery, Midway. Feb. 26, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Juliette MORIN MONSEAU VERNET, 83, of Weirton, W. Va., died Saturday, February 20, 1943, in the Gill hospital, Steubenville, Ohio, of heart trouble, which was of seventeen weeks duration. She was born August 10, 1860, in Belgium, came to the United States in 1891, and resided in Cecil until 1920, when she moved to Weirton. Mrs. VERNET was twice married. Her first husband was Hubert MONSEAU. She was married to Maurice VERNET in 1909. Besides her husband, she is survived by two sons: Albert MONSEAU of Warren, Ohio, and Sidney MONSEAU of Weirton, W. Va.; two daughters: Mrs.Richard BRONWER of Canonsburg and Mrs. James FENARK of Weirton. There are 21 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the Venice U. P. church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. C. T. LITTELL, D. D. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. Mrs. VERNET was the aunt of Peter and Ernest VANDALE and Mrs. August DEVOS, Sr., of McDonald, and Mrs. Philip CHAUSSARD of Farrell. - Feb. 26, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Peter J. BELOT, 64, died in his home, 781 Freeport road, Creighton at 3:30a.m. Tuesday, February 16, 1943. Having been a resident of Creighton for 28 years, he was a member of the Odd Fellows and the Belgian club of McDonald and Sturgeon. He resided in McDonald before moving to Creighton. He leaves his wife, Alphonse; two sons, George BELOT of New Kensington, and Raymond BELOT of Springdale; two sisters, Mrs. Marie MENGES of Glassmere and Mrs. Georgiana STENUIT of Belgium, and four grandchildren. Mrs. Alphonse DUCARME of Sturgeon is a sister. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, February 18, with the Rev.Mr. STEWART of Creighton and the Rev. Mr. HARRIS of Indiana, Pa., officiating. Burial was in Prospect cemetery at Creighton. Among those from McDonald who called at the BELOT home or attended the funeral were Joseph LAURENT of Valley street, Mr. and Mrs. A. CHARLIER of East Lincoln avenue. Former residents of McDonald but who now reside in Indiana were Mr. and Mrs. William YAATES and daughter Laura and Mr. And Mrs. William YATES, Jr. March 5, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Amie DELESTINE, 51, died at 1:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 9, 1943, in his home in Cecil, following a two-week illness. A son of Mr. and Mrs. Louie DELESTINE, he was born January 28, 192 in Belgium and had resided in the Cecil community for a number of years and was engaged in the carpenter trade. He was a member of the French club, Cecil. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Julia DELESTINE of Charleroi; two daughters, Mrs. Palmer STARY and Mrs. Harold RICHTER, both of Charleroi; a son, Amie DELESTINE of Charleroi, and a sister, Mrs. Pauline GOSSETT of Cecil. There are five grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the GOSSETT home in Cecil, conducted by the Rev. W. L. STEWART. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. Mar. 12, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Alexander GLAUTHIER, 77, died at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, 1943, in his home, 360 Barr street, McDonald, following a two-year illness. A son of the late Lucier and Kathryn CHAPPELL GLAUTHIER, he was born April 2, 1865, in Belgium and came to the United States with his parents at the age of 16 years. He and Louise LEPREUX were married December 4, 1890, in McDonald by Squire Graham S. CAMPBELL. Mr. GLAUTHIER was a retired coal miner. Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons: Eugene and Louis GLAUTHIER, both of Akron, Ohio, and Lt. Theodore GLAUTHIER, stationed at the army finance school, Durham, N. C.;
Joseph LEGRAND. 70, died at 2:05 a.m. Wednesday, March 24, 1943, in his home in North street, McDonald, Following a brief illness of pneumonia. A son of August and Jennie VONBEL LEGRAND, he was born June 18, 1872, in Charleroi, Belgium, and came to the United States 40 years ago. He had been a resident of McDonald for 30 years and was employed at the Miller Col Co. mine at Sturgeon. Mr. LEGRAND was a member of La Solidarite association, McDonald. He is survived by a son, Joseph LEGRAND of Valley street, McDonald, and a daughter, Mrs. Archie PALAMARAS of East Lincoln avenue, McDonald. There are five grandchildren. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. this Friday in the Hamel Funeral home conducted by the Rev. A. MAGE, pastor of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church, McDonald. Burial will be in Hilldale cemetery, Valley street, McDonald.

Ronald ALFRED, six-month-old son of Walter and Blanche RANDOUR ALFRED, died Friday, March 19, 1943 in the family home, 369 Barr street McDonald, following a three-day illness of pneumonia. Ronald was born October 20, 1942. Besides his parents, he is survived by two brothers, Lloyd, 6, and Floyd, 2. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Frank T. JAMES, pastor of the McDonald Methodist church. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

Mrs. Helen ROSSOMME, aged 37 years, died at her home in Wilkinsburg, following a short illness of pneumonia. Surviving is her husband, Raymond Rossonne, and two children, Jeanne Alice and Raymond Richard. Her mother, Mrs. Israel Anderson of this city also survives along with two sisters Mrs. Ebba Layman, Monessen and Miss Alice Anderson, Cleveland, and a brother Leroy Anderson, Monessen. Friends are being received at the Woodward Home for Funerals where services will be held Saturday April 17 at 2pm with Dr R F Steininger of St Paul’s Lutheran church officiating. Interment, Grandview cemetery. Dave H Woodward, funeral director in charge. - The Monessen Daily Independent, Monessen, PA – 15 Apr 1943

David S. BORZEE, 60, died suddenly at 12:30 noon Wednesday, April 22, 1943, in his home 131 Third street, McDonald, of a heart attack. His health had been impaired for several years but he had continued about his duties as usual. Born September 24, 1882, in Rue35, Belgium, his parents Louis and Matilda BORZEE came to the United States when he was three years of age. He was united in marriage with Marie M. WILSON, June 30, 1914. Mrs. BORZEE survives him. He had been employed with the Manufacturers Light & Heat Co. at McDonald for 24 years and had been foreman the last 14 years. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. this Saturday in the late home. Burial will be in the Robinson's Run cemetery. - April 30, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Louis GERMAIN, 78, of Sturgeon died at noon, Thursday, April 28, 1943, in the Woodville hospital following a lingering illness. He was born April 23, 1865, in Belgium. He was united in marriage with Aline VERHAEGEN in Belgium and accompanied by his wife and two children came to America. A daughter, Augustine, died on board ship and was buried at sea, and the son, Jules, died several years later in Sturgeon. Mrs. GERMAIN died on February 8, 1938. Mr. GERMAIN is survived by several brothers still living in Belgium, by a niece, Mrs. Jules DELAHURT of Sturgeon, and two nephews: S/Sgt. Victor CAPELLE of For Jackson, S. C., and Herman CAPELLE of Sturgeon. Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Oscar E. GARDNER, D. D., of the first Presbyterian church of McDonald, were held Monday afternoon. Burial was in the Robinson's Run cemetery. A brief French service was conducted at the grave by Mr. J. LA PLANCE of Champion Hill, Sturgeon. - May 7, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Frank LEONARD, 78, died at 12:20 a.m. Wednesday, May 5, 1943, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Jules E. MASQUELIER, 205 Valley street, McDonald, following a brief illness of pneumonia. A son of Theodore and Philomene BURRY LEONARD, he was born November 21, 1864, in Charleroi, Belgium. He and Maria CENIS were married 53 years ago in Belgium, and came to the United States with their family in 1900, locating in McDonald. He is survived by one daughter, Helen, the wife of Jules E. MASQUELIER, and five grandchildren; Colletta LEONARD, and Aline, Morris, Leonard and Jack MASQUELIER. A daughter, Yvonne, died in infancy and a son, Herman, died October 19, 1942. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 this Friday in the MASQUELIER home, conducted by the Rev. Grant M. MCKNIGHT, D. D., pastor of the Robinson's Run church, McDonald. Burial will be in Hilldale cemetery. May 7, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Leonie GILLARD, 92, widow of Calixte GILLARD, died Sunday, May 9, 1943, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. DUCARME, R. D. 2, Canonsburg, where she had made her home for 12 years, following the death of her husband. She was born in Belgium, and had resided in McDonald for 50 years prior to her husband's death. Mrs. GILLARD had no living relatives. The funeral was May 12 from Rogers' funeral home, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. May 21, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

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Mrs. Helen FOUNTAIN RANDOUR, 61, of Coal street, McDonald, died Friday, June 4, 1943, while en route to the hospital. A daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Enis FOUNTAIN, she was born in 1882 in Belgium and came to the United States with her parents in 1888. The greater part of her life was spent in McDonald. She is survived by her husband, Abel RANDOUR; two daughters; Mrs. Blanche ALFRED and Mrs. George MOORE, both of McDonald; one son, Arthur RANDOUR of McDonald; six sisters: Mrs. Harry DUBOIS, Mrs. Alex POSKIN, Mrs. William POUNDS, Mrs. Charles AMIC, and Mrs. Mary AMIC, all of McDonald and Mrs. Constantine WILLIAMSON of Carnegie; two brothers: Alex FOUNTAIN and Mark DENNY, both of McDonald. There are 12 grandchildren. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, June 7, in the McDonald Methodist church, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Frank T. JAMES. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. June 18, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Emile BONTINK, 67, of Sturgeon died suddenly of a heart attack at noon Tuesday, June 22, 1943, while returning to work. He was born November 13, 1875, in Belgium. He and Henriette Maria MATTIE were married in Belgium in 1897 and with their children, Eva and Herman came to the United States in 1907. Besides his wife he is survived by two granddaughters, Mrs. J. LUTYNAKY and Sylvia Ann VANDENBERG, both of New Kensington. A sister, Mrs. Dolphine MINUET of Ensley, Ala., also survives. A daughter, Mrs. Eva VANDENBERG, died August 18, 1942, and a son, Herman BONTINK, died April 3, 1919. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. this Friday in the BONTINK home, conducted by the Rev. O. F. GARDNER, D. D. pastor of the First Presbyterian church, McDonald. Burial will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. June 25, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Arthur BOULANGER, 72, of Fallowfield township, near Charleroi, died at 11:15 p.m. Monday, June 28, 1943, in the Charleroi-Monessen hospital, following a two-year illness. A son of Leopold and Louise MARTIN BOULANGER, he was born June 21, 1871, in Hermont, Belgium, and had at one time resided in the DEBRUXELLES home on Belgian hill Cecil. His wife was the former Julia MERSERA. He is survived by four sons, Alphonse, Jules, George, and Arthur, and a sister, Mrs. Camille SAVARNO, all of Charleroi. There are six grandchildren. Funeral services were held July 1 in the BOULANGER home, conducted by the Rev. Frank S. MONT. of the Charleroi. Remainder is crumbled away. July 9, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

McCARTNEY - Mrs. Maria RENVILLARD, 71, of this place, died in the Philipsburg State Hospital on July 22. Death was attributed to a heart attack. Born in Belgium on May 5, 1872, she had been a resident of this place for a number of years. Surviving are the following children: Mrs. James OSEWALT of Osceola Mills; Mrs. George HAMM of McCartney and Sylva at home. Funeral services were held in the Church of God at Brisbin on Sunday. Interment followed in the church cemetery. Thursday July 27, 1943 Clearfield Progress

Mrs. Philomene GATY, 72, died at 9:115 p.m. Thursday, August 12, 1943, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Herman SUPLIT, Valley street, McDonald. A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Prosper Ghislain DEVREUX, she was born November 14, 1870 in Jumet, Belgium, and had been a resident of McDonald the past 47 years. Besides Mrs. SUPLIT, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. Sylvia JIANNINO of Wilkinsburg, and a granddaughter, Hilda Mae SUPLIT. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the Irons Memorial French U.P. Church, McDonald, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Alexandre MAGE. Burial was in Hilldale cemetery. Aug. 20, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Elmira MOTTE LIENARD, 68, died suddenly of a heart attack at 12:00 o'clock noon Tuesday, August 31, 1943, in her home 320 Center avenue, McDonald. A daughter of the late Alfred and Flora MOTTE, she was born December 4, 1875, in Belgium and came to the United States about 52 years ago, first locating in Wheeling. She and Nicholas LIENARD were married in wheeling 51 years ago and came to McDonald shortly afterward. Mr. LIENARD died January 3, 1929. Mrs. LIENARD was the former Julia RANDOUR. Mrs. Dorothy RANDOUR of Carnegie; two brothers: Alphonse and Louis LIENARD, both of McDonald; two brothers: Hilaire MOTTE of McDonald and Alex FOUNTAIN of Terre Haute, Ind. There are eleven grandchildren. A son, Charles LIENARD of Columbus, Ohio, died December 22, 1938; a son Nicholas LIENARD of McDonald, died in 1930; a brother, Alfred MOTTE of McDonald, died in 1930, and a brother, Ernest MOTTE of Birmingham, Ala., died in 1937. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday in Pettit's funeral home, McDonald, conducted by the Rev. O. E. GARDNER. Burial will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. Sept.3,1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Leon BRANSBERG, 70, of Cecil died at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, November 25, 1943, in the Canonsburg hospital, following a two-week illness. He was born November 11, 1873, in Belgium. He and Julia PREAUX were married in Belgium and came to Cecil in 1902. Mr. BRANSBERG was a coal miner by occupation. Besides his wife, he is survived by one son, Emil BRANSBERG of Pricedale, and one daughter, Mrs. Henry (Madeline) AUBREY of McKees Rocks. There are seven grandchildren. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon in the Coleman funeral home, conducted by the Rev. H. STANBERRY, pastor of the First Christian church, McKees Rocks. Burial was in the Venice cemetery. Dec. 3, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Nestor THILMONT of Cecil died on Saturday, December 18, 1943. Born in Belgium over 60 years ago, he was brought to this country when a child. He is survived by three sisters: Mary, who resides in Canada, Mrs. W. A. CHEESEBROUGH of Bridgeville, and Mrs. J. C. PHILLIPS of McDonald, and a brother Leo of Steubenville. The funeral was held Monday. Dec. 24, 1943 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook
Alfred J. DHAYER, aged 82 years, 10 months, died at 2:30 pm. Monday, January 10, 1944, in his home in Midway, following a brief illness. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John B. DHAYER, he was born March 13, 1951, in Belgium and came to the United States about 50 years ago. He had been a resident of Midway the past fifty years. He is survived by four daughters; Virginia, the wife of Alliance RICHMO__ of Carnegie, Mary, the wife of Jack DERBSHIRE of Los Angeles, Calif.; Dolphine the wife of Joseph BEAUDUIN, Sr., of Avella, and Tillie, the wife of Edward H. MONTGOMERY, Sr. of Midway; three sons: John B. DHAYER of Midway, Oliver DHAYER of Hollidays Cove, W. Va., and James DHAYER of Avella; two sisters: Mrs. Alex GAUTIER and Mrs. Louis VEYDT, both of Cecil. There are 20 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren. His wife, the former Clementine THILMONT, preceded him in death. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday in the DHAYER home in Midway, conducted by the Rev. Alfred HUBBARD, pastor of the Center U. P. church Midway. Burial was in Center cemetery.

Jan. 14, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Oliver CUIJAS, 60, died at 7:45 p.m. Sunday, March 19, 1944, in his home, R.D. 4, McDonald, near Cherry Valley. Mr. CUIJAS was a farmer in the McDonald vicinity the past 35 years. He was born March 30, 1883 in Belgium. He is survived by his wife, Julia GEREIN CUIJAS: three daughters: Mrs. Hazel MARTINEZ of Langeloth, Mrs. Dorothy BISH of Midway, and Mrs. Julia FOLEY of Burgettstown; three sons: Herman CUIJAS of Langeloth, Oliver CUIJAS of R. D. 3, Burgettstown, and Julian CUIJAS at home; his mother, Mrs. Desire CUIJAS and a brother, Joseph CUIJAS, both of Warrendale; a sister Mrs. Clementine DESCUTNER of McDonald and eight grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the CUIJAS home, conducted by the Rev. Carl E. CHAPMAN, pastor of the Midway Baptist church. Burial was in Mt. Prospect cemetery, Hickory.

March 24, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Florence THENIS SCHEERS, 92, died suddenly of a heart attack at 5:45 p.m. Sunday, April 2, 1944, in her home in Sturgeon. She was born May 1, 1851, in Belgium and came to the United States 37 years ago, locating in Sturgeon. She is survived by one daughter, Irma, the wife of Paul SCHEERS of Sturgeon. There are four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Her husband, Domenick SCHEERS, died about ten years ago. Funeral services were held the afternoon of April 5 in the SCHEERS home, conducted by the Rev. G. M. MCKNIGHT, pastor of the Robinson's Run U. P. Church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

April 14, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Arthur CHARLIER, 78, died at 1:30 a.m. Saturday, April 8, 1944, in his home, 106 Miller street, McDonald, following a lingering illness. He was born April 12, 1865, in Belgium and had been a resident of McDonald the past sixty years. He was a member of La Solidarite association, McDonald and the Franco-Belgian club of Sturgeon. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Laura WAUTHIER CHARLIER; five daughters: Della, the wife of Charles HALEY of Indianola; Mary, the wife of Fernal PIERSON of McDonald; Twennett, the wife of William YATES of Indianaola; Anna, the wife of George BELOT of Arnold, and Miss Augusta CHARLIER at home. There are 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the CHARLIER home conducted by the Rev. G. M. MCKNIGHT, D. D., pastor of the Robinson's Run U. P. church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

April 14, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Gustave TOURNAY, 67, of 317 Fairmont avenue, McDonald, died at 7:20 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 1944, in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, where he had been a patient for over two weeks. Death was due to a complication of diseases. Mr. TOURNAY was a son of the late Gregory and Henrietta TOURNAY and was born January 2, 1877, in Belgium, coming to America in 1882 with his parents. He had been a resident of McDonald ever since. He and Nancy PODEVIGNE were united in marriage October 29, 1919. Besides his wife he is survived by the following children: Norman of McDonald, Cpl. George TOURNAY, stationed in North Africa; C

May 5, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Eugenia CHARLIER MASQUELIER, 70, died at 6:18 p.m. Sunday, May 21, 1944, in her home in Valley street, McDonald, following a lingering illness. A daughter of the late P. J. and Constance CHARLIER, she was born February 20, 1874, in Jumet, Belgium, and came to the United States 57 years ago, locating in McDonald. She was a member of the Robinson's Run United Presbyterian church, McDonald. She is survived by her husband, Jules MASQUELIER, Sr.; two sons: Frank MASQUELIER of McDonald and Raymond MASQUELIER of Avalon; one daughter, Mamie, the wife of R. P. HUSLER of Carnegie; two sisters; Mrs. J. P. GROCHEN of Dunbar, Fayette county, and Mrs. D. J. LAINE of McDonald; one brother, P. J. CHARLIER of McDonald. There are seven grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in the Robinson's Run United Presbyterian church, McDonald, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. G. M. MCKNIGHT, D. D. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery.

May 26, 1944 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

LECHIEN, Rosine Mary, aged 63y, died at her home in Pt Marion Monday morning, May 29, 1944. She is survived by her husband Oscar, one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Provencal, and one son, Marius, both of Pt Marion. Also surviving are two sisters and one brother in Belgium. Funeral services will be held Saturday morning June 3, 1944 at 9:30 in St Hubert's R C Church. Interment in the Evergreen Memorial cemetery under the direction of E J Conn Funeral Home. - Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 1 June 1944
Mrs. Palmyre ALBERT, age 64 years, of 101 Tenth street, Charleroi, died in Charleroi-Monessen hospital, January 3, 1945 at 3:15pm. She was born in Belgium, November 16, 1880, the daughter of Joseph Macau and Leoni Remy Albert, both of Belgium. She came to Charleroi in 1918. She is survived by her husband Joseph Albert, one daughter, Mrs. Alice Hans, and one son Joseph Vandermette of California, PA, two brothers, Frank Macau of Smock, PA and August Macau of California State, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. - The Charleroi Mail, 4 Jan 1945

Omer FROCHEUR, age 63 years, of 313 Crest Avenue, Charleroi, Died in Charleroi-Monessen hospital, March 22, 1945 at 9:50pm. He was born in Belgium, December 13, 1881, and came to Charleroi fifty years ago from there. He was a member of the Royal Ar—num and was employed as a mill worker for the Pittsburgh Steel Company. He is survived by his wife Josephine DEHANT, two daughters Mrs. William --- Jr. and Mr. Ernest HOWARD, Charleroi, a brother, Campbell FROCHEUR of Speers, three sisters, Mrs. Frank ROSSOMME of Charleroi, Mrs. Louis CROOKHAM, Donora and Mrs. Roy WILLISON of Williamsport and two grandchildren. - The Charleroi Mail, 23 March 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Balza and daughter Adelaide, wish to express their appreciation for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy and condolence extended by their friends and neighbors during their recent bereavement, the loss of their son and brother, Pfc Raymond M Balza36, who was killed in action February 14, 1945. - The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA – 24 Mar 1945

Emile MOLLE, age 80 years, of 502 Tenth street, Charleroi, died in Charleroi-Monessen hospital, April 14, 1945 at 6:50am. He was born in Charleroi, Belgium, August 22, 1864 and was a member of the Charleroi F.O.E. He has been living retired. He is survived by his wife Mary ALMIESTER MOLLE, three sons, Paul, Alfred and Joseph MOLLE, all of Charleroi and one daughter Mrs. Alice MIKLOS of Charleroi, then grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. – The Charleroi Mail, 14 April 1945

Mrs. Josephine DORDAIN, age 85 years, of 922 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, died at her home, April 23, 1945, at 8:30pm, after an illness of two weeks. She was born in Belgium and came to Charleroi forty-five years ago from Sturgeon, PA. She was a member of St Jerome’s church. She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Josephine RICHIR, Mrs. Juliette BRUNELLE and Mrs. Madeline GOBERT, all of Charleroi, Mrs. John KULOW of Weirton, West Virginia, two sons, Jules and Louis DORDAIN, both of Charleroi, one sister, Mrs. Alexander QUINET of Belgium, thirteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The Charleroi Mail, 24 April 1945

Aime HENROTIN (VI-PA), aged 78 years, died at his home, Water street, Point Marion, early Tuesday morning, April 16, 1946. He was born in Jumet, Belgium August 21, 1867. He is survived by his wife Catherine, and a niece Rita W HALL and a nephew Maurice WERY. Funeral services will be held at the home Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o’clock with Rev Joseph FLESHMAN officiating. Interment in Evergreen Memorial cemetery under the direction of E J CONN & Son, Point Marion.

The Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 18 Apr 1946

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness extended to us during our recent bereavement, the death of our beloved husband, father and brother, Herman Balza.37 We especially wish to thank the Rev. Frank Montgomery, the singers, pallbearers, those who sent flowers and offered the use of their cars, and all who in any way tended to lessen our sorrow. Mrs. Mary Balza and Family, Brothers and Sister

The Charleroi Mail, Charleroi, PA – 30 Apr 1946

Julien P. SCHOLLAERT, 65, died at 3:00 p.m. Monday, July 8, 1946, in his home, McVay street, Sturgeon, following a lingering illness. A son of the late Peter and Matilda VerCAMMEN SCHOLLAERT, he was born February 17, 1881, in Belgium. His wife,

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36 Pfc Raymond M Balza was killed in action in the Pacific theater.

37 Herman Balza’s obituary - found in The Charleroi Mail, 25 April 1946 – is unreadable
Paula THOMAS SCHOLLAERT died in 1941. He is survived by the following children; Thomas, Frances, Eleanor, Walter, Julien, Jr., Albert, and Raymond, all of the Sturgeon vicinity. A grandchild and several brothers and sisters also survive. Funeral services were held Thursday morning with Requiem high mass in St. Patrick's church Noblestown. Burial was in St. Patrick's cemetery. July 12, 1946 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Seamont WILLIAMS, 62, died at 11:00 p.m. Thursday, July 4, 1946, in his home in Sturgeon. A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Melchoir WILLIAMS, he was born February 8, 1884 in Belgium. Surviving are three sisters; Catherine, the wife of William MOTTE of Hollidays Cove, W. Va., Blanche, the wife of Sylvester DUCARME of Canonsburg, and Rose, the wife of George CONLEY of Walkers Mill. A brother, Sylvester WILLIAMS, of McDonald and a sister, Mrs. Helen JIANNINO, of Sturgeon are deceased. There are nine nieces and thirteen nephews. Burial services were held Monday in the JIANNINO home in Sturgeon in charge of the Rev. Charles F. TAME, pastor of the Methodist church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. July 12, 1946 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Alice PIERRARD DILLON, 54, of Valley street, McDonald, died at 6:25p.m. Friday, September 6, 1946 in the Mercy hospital where she had been a patient for six days. A daughter of Philip and the late Alice PIERRARD, she was born July 11, 1892, in Belgium. Surviving besides her father are her husband, Edmond DILLON, two sons, Robert and Edward, and one daughter, Mrs. Howard FELTON, all of McDonald; also one sister, Mrs. Emil RANK of Sturgeon, and one brother, Amile PIERRARD of McDonald. There is one granddaughter. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in her late home in charge of the Rev. C. F. TAME, pastor of the McDonald Methodist church. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Sept. 13, 1946 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Flora M. MATHIEU, wife of the late Nestor J. MATHIEU, of 1113 Maplewood avenue, Ambridge, formerly of Primrose, died Friday, September 20, 1946, after a week's illness. A daughter of the late Eugene and Florentine GILBERT, she was born November 7, 1870, in Wanfercee, Baulet, Belgium. Mrs. MATHIEU came to this country in 1887 and spent most of her life in Primrose. After the death of her husband in 1935 she lived with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph E. VANDENBORD in Ambridge. She was a member of the Center Unite Presbyterian Church, Midway. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ellen VANDENBORD, of Ambridge and a son, Eugene J. MATHIEU of Paoli, Pa.; one grandson, two granddaughters; and one great-granddaughter. Also by two sisters, Mrs. Benjamin WORSTELL and Mrs. James HANNAN, and one brother, Joseph GILBERT, all of Primrose. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at her late home in charge of Dr. Thomas E. GRAHAM, pastor of the First United Presbyterian church, Ambridge, assisted by the Rev. Eldin BENNETT of the Midway Center U. P. church. Burial was in the Center cemetery, Midway. Sept. 27, 1946, McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Emma GOSSIAUX, 71, wife of Jules GOSSIAUX, suffered a stroke and passed away at 3:12 p.m. Wednesday, October 23, 1946, in her home in the Southside, McDonald. She had been ill for some time. A daughter of Amaible and Florence PUTT, she was born November 12, 1874, in Gilli, Belgium, and as a child of six came to McDonald where she has spent her life time. In 1891 she became the bride of Jules GOSSIAUX. Besides her husband she is survived by two children: Mrs. John Paul DONNELLY of Hollidays Cove, W. Va., and Arthur GOSSIAUX at home; a sister, Mrs. Carl WILSON of McDonald, and a brother, Frank PUTT of Detroit. Funeral services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the Pettit Funeral home Lincoln avenue, McDonald, in charge of the Rev. Alexander MAGE, pastor of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church. Burial will be in Robinson's Run cemetery. Oct. 25, 1946 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Sharen (sic) Rena WATLET, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert WATLET of Joffre, died Sunday, October 13, 1946, shortly after birth. Surviving besides her parents are two brothers, Albert, Jr. and Sidney Jules, and a sister, Peggy Joyce. Burial was October 14 in the Center cemetery, Midway. Oct. 25, 1946 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Clarissa MARLIER, 79, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday, December 27, 1946, in her home in Summit Street, McDonald, following a lingering illness. A daughter of Jean Joseph and Marie Antoinette LEJEUNE SUPLIT, she was born in Roux, Belgium, and came to McDonald in 1887 where she had since resided. She and Victor F. MARLIER were married April 4, 1889, in McDonald by the late Dr. W. D. IRONS. She was a charter member of the Irons Memorial French U. P. church. Surviving besides her husband, Victor F. MARLIER, are two sons, Victor E. MARLIER of Pollansbee, W. Va., and Fernal R. MARLIER of Crafton; five daughters, Mrs. George NELMS of Pittsburgh, Mrs. J. Harold TRIMMER and Mrs.H. G. LEONARD, both of McDonald, Mrs. V. M. CHAMBON of Pollansbee, W.Va., and Mrs. Henri M. MARC of Garden City, N.Y., and two brothers, Elise SUPLIT of Springfield, Ill., and P. J. SUPLIT of Mayville, N.Y. An infant daughter died in 1893. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the Irons Memorial church in charge of the Rev. Alexandre (sic) MAGE. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Jan. 3, 1947 Obits, McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Mary K. PIERRSON, 69, died at 6:10 a.m. Saturday, December 28, 1946, in her home in Queen street, McDonald, following an illness of several weeks. Mrs. PIERRSON was born March 3, 1877, in Roux, Belgium, and came to the McDonald vicinity 43 years ago. Surviving besides her husband, Louis PIERRSON, are two sons, Louis of Hollidays Cove and Fernal of McDonald; two daughters, Mrs. Walter RATTIGAN, of Paris, Pa., and Mrs. Charles MYERS, Jr., of McDonald, three brothers, Fernand CATRAIN of Roux, Belgium, and John and Archie CATRAIN of Detroit, Mich. There are nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.
Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon in the Pettit funeral home in charge of Dr. S. A. MC COLLAM, pastor of the First U. P. Church, McDonald. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. Jan. 3, 1947 Obits, McDonald Record-Outlook

John Winand JOHNEN of 311 Queen street died at 12:50 a.m. July 5, 1947, in the Washington hospital following a lingering illness. A son of Joseph and Anna BECKER JOHNEN, he was born January 20, 1865, in Eupen, Germany. Before coming to this country, he worked in Verviers, Belgium for 14 years as a baker, after which he made 21 trips across the Atlantic ocean as a cook. Upon his arrival in the United States, he located for a short time in Philadelphia, coming to this area in 1895. He and Josephine GORGELS were married August 21, 1895, in the Holy Trinity church, by the Rev. Ambrose F. BRUDER. Mr. JOHNEN served in the German army for three years and is a member of the La Solidarite Association of McDonald. Surviving besides his wife, are three sons, Joseph J. and Louis J. JOHNEN, both of McDonald, and Leopold J. JOHNEN of Flushing, Ohio, and three daughters, Mrs. Paul WAUTHIER and Mrs. Henry KRENN, both of McDonald, and Mrs. Bernard CYPHERS of Neville Island, and a sister, Mrs. Arthur GERMAIN of Leige, Belgium. There are 21 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. A daughter Elida died in 1918. Funeral services were held July 7 in the Pettit Funeral home in charge of the Rev. Joseph H. RODGERS. Burial was in Robinson's Run cemetery. - July 11, 1947 Obits McDonald-Record Outlook

Frank E. PLUMERET, Sr., 63, died at 8:05 p.m. Thursday, August 7, 1947, in his home on the Noblestown road, Sturgeon, following an illness of two weeks. A son of Alexander and Melanie HIEL PLUMERET, he was born June 10, 1884, in Belgium and came to the United States at the age of 18 months. He started work as a miner at the age of 12 years and became a foreman at the Champion mine of the Pittsburgh Coal Co. in 1917. He was later transferred to the Montour No. 9 mine where he worked until his retirement July 16, 1946. During his employ at the mine he was an active as an instructor of first aid, and took part in a number of mine rescue missions. He was a member of Garfield Lodge No. 604 of McDonald, and the Pittsburgh Consistory. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Hortense PLUMERET; a daughter, Mrs. Joseph VANGYSEL of Sturgeon; two sons: Leon of Carnegie, and Frank of Hubbard, Ohio; a brother, Seraphine of McDonald, and two step-children, Mrs. Josephine SLONEZEWIJSKI of Summit, N. J., and Emile DEPASSE, with the U.S. Navy in San Diego, California. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon in the home in charge of the Rev. Eldin BENNETT, pastor of the Center U. P. Church, Midway. Burial services with Masonic rites were at Robinson's Run cemetery. Aug. 15, 1947 Obits McDonald Record-Outlook

Mrs. Hubertine ECHTERNACH KLAGAN, age 38 years, of 804 Second street, Charleroi, died in Mercy hospital, Pittsburgh, October 5, 1947 at 1:25pm; after a lingering illness. She was born in Belgium, February 1909, the daughter of John and Don—ine Joliet Echternach of Belgium. She came to Charleroi in 1910 from Belgium and for a number of years was employed at the First National Bank here. She is survived by her husband Paul KLAGAN, her parents, mr. and Mrs. John ECHTERNACH. One brother, John ECHTERNACH, Jr. of Dallas, Texas and one sister, Mrs. J Olive ENOS, Jr of Charleroi.
The Charleroi Mail (Charleroi, PA) – 6 Oct 1947

Mrs. Marie Theresa Leclercq, 82, widow of Victor Leclercq, at Summit Hospital, Kane, PA, Born in Dampremy, Belgium, November 6, 1865, she came to the United States 55 years ago. Located at Duquesne, PA and later moved to Kane where she was a resident for 38 years. The past 5 years she had lived with her daughter, Mrs. William Pierotti of Smethport.
Pittsburgh Post Gazette, 26 Nov 1947

Mrs. Quertinmont Taken by Death - Prominent Resident of Pt. Marion
Mrs. Laura QUERTINMONT, prominent and well known resident of Point Marion, died in her home near Railroad Street Saturday November 1, at 8pm following an illness of several weeks. The widow of Jules J QUERTINMONT Sr. who died in 1936, Mrs. QUERTINMONT operated a dry goods store in Pt. Marion for a number of years. Surviving are three children, Mrs. Lorenza HARTGAN, Mrs. Blanche THOMAS and Jules J QUERTINMONT Jr. of all of Pt. Marion; one brother Marsall DOG of Pt Marion; two sisters, Mrs. Julia PERRIER of York and Mrs. Augusta WASELLE of Jumet, Belgium, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Friends are being received in the home where prayer service will be held, Tuesday morning at 9 o’clock, and additional rites in St. Hubert’s R C Church at 9:30 with Rev. Fr P H TOPPING officiating. Burial will be in the Pt. Marion cemetery under the direction of the F J CONN & son Funeral Home, Pt. Marion. - The Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 3 Nov 1947

BRASSEUR, Amy VANDERMESS, aged 65 of pt Marion, died Sunday April 25, 1948. Death was due to drowning. She was born October 12, 1882 in Jumet, Belgium and had resided in the United States for the past 48 years. Surviving are her husband, Clement Brasseeur; three children, Mrs Rose Mankins, Rene and Zelma Brasseur of Pt Marion; three grandchildren; three brothers, Arthur David, Oscar and Rene Vandermess, of Pt Marion. Her mother, Josephine Vandermess, preceded her in death February 5, 1948. Friends are being received in the late home, Jeanette St, where services will be conducted Wednesday April 28 at 2pm. DSF(?) with Rev Fred B Grimm officiating. Interment will be in Evergreen Memorial cemetery, under the direction of the Conn Funeral Home, Pt Marion. - Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 27 April 1948

WAZELLE, Rose, aged 77 of Pt Marion, died Tuesday morning, February 1, 1949 at 6:50 following a lingering illness. Surviving are her husband J B WAZELLE, one daughter Norma, one granddaughter, Rose at home; two sisters and one brother Adele Sent, Victoria Bierneaux, and Joseph Brigode, residing after 5 o’clock this afternoon. February 4, at 2 o’clock with Rev Fred B Grimm officiating. Interment will be in the Pt Marion cemetery under the direction of the Conn Funeral Home.
Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 2 Feb 1949
GOUTTIERE, Josephine, aged 72, of Point Marion, died Monday evening, February 28, 1949 at 10:50 o’clock, in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest J LEBEBVRE, following a lengthy illness. She was born September 20, 1859 in Jumet, Belgium. In addition to Mrs. LEBEBVRE she is survived by two other children, Nestor GOUTTIERE of Maumee, O; Mrs. Edgar GOUTTIERE Clarksburg, WV. Friends are being received in the CONN Funeral Home, 15 Main St, Pt. Marion where funeral services will be held Friday morning March 4, at 9 o’clock, with additional rites at 9:30 o’clock in St. Hubert’s R C church with Rev. Fr. F H TOPPING officiating. Interment will follow in the Evergreen Memorial cemetery. - The Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 2 Mar 1949

TAMENNE, Josephine, aged 79 years, former Point Marion, resident, died Tuesday morning, June 7, 1949. In the home of her son Louis Tamenne, Rd 1 Smithfield. She was born December 5, 1870, in Belgium. Her husband Gustave Tammane and daughter Ida Fife preceded her in death. In addition to her son, Louis, she is survived by five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren. Friends are being received in the Conn funeral Home, Point Marion, where services will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o’clock with Rev. Joseph Fleshman officiating. Interment will be in Point Marion cemetery. - Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 8 Jun 1949

Mrs. Rosa GAINVORS, who resided with her son Amile J GAINVORS of 1403 Fourth avenue, Juniata, died this morning at 6:30o’clock at the Philipsbug State hospital after a two months’ illness. She was born March 3, 1881 at Strepy-Bracquegnies, Belgium and emigrated to this country in 1910. She had been a resident of Altoona since 1912. Her husband emile Frank GAINVOIRS died Dec 19, 1941. Surviving are two sons Amile of Juniata and August George of Brisbin; four grandchildren, one great-grandchild and a sister in Belgium. Mrs. Gainvors was of the Baptist faith. Friends will be received at the home of August G Gainvors at Brisbin after noon Saturday. - Altoona Mirror, 5 Aug 1949

DULIERE Services Held in Pt. Marion
Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for George DULIERE, 73, prominently known in Point Marion civic circles and for many years associated with the Houze Glass company. He died Saturday morning in Uniontown Hospital. He is survived by the widow Marguerite, three children, Ruby, George and John; one granddaughter; three sisters, Mrs. Angela LECLERC, Mrs. Blanche WITTEBORT, Pt Marion; Mrs Alphonse LEFEBVRE, Dunkirk, Ind.; and Florise, Morgantown, WV. Mr. DULIERE was born in Jumet, Belgium, and came to this country at the age of eight. He resided in the Meadville district before coming to this country in 1899. - The Morning Herald, Uniontown, PA – 7 Sep 1949