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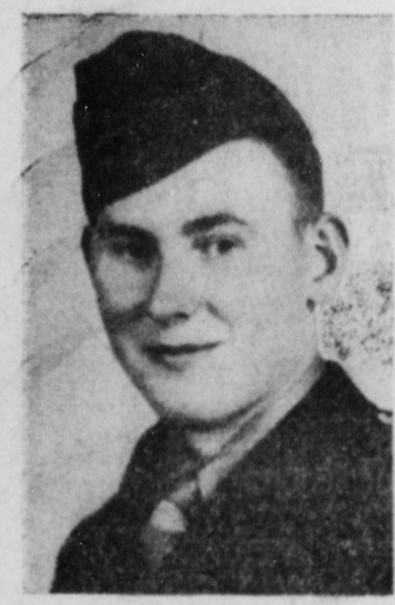
BELLEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1945

SUBSCRIPTION—\$1.50 PER YEAR.

## 8 Bellefonte Men In Casualty Lists

### Four Die; One Missing and Three Wounded On Battlefronts. Other County Men Are Reported Wounded.

Bellefonte received one of its heaviest blows to date this week when four local men died in action and one was missing in action during the week-end. The War Department has notified the families of the men that all were missing in action as of December 17, the day of the great German breakthrough. It is indicated that the four men were members of a field artillery unit, lost their lives at that time.



Pvt. Donald L. Bloom Killed in Action

The men are: Pvt. Donald L. Bloom, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bloom, of Pleasant View, just north of Bellefonte. T. S. Charles R. Breen, husband of Mrs. Virginia Gummert Breen, also of Pleasant View, and Pfc. Donald J. Flack, 21, son of Mr. Ruth K. Flack, of North Spring street, Bellefonte, formerly of Halfmoon Terrace.

The men served in France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, and were sent back into Belgium only a short time before they were listed as missing in action. Relatives here know that Bloom and Breen were together most of the time and it is believed that Flack also was in the group.



T-S Charles R. Breen Killed in Action

Pvt. Bloom attended the Springs township schools and for several years was employed on the Thomas B. Weaver farm in Bellefonte. Later he accepted a position in the laundry of the Centre County Hospital and was employed there at the time he entered the service. He was home last Memorial Day for a 10-day furlough.

## Navigator's Only 'Injury' Was Torn Pair of Pants



2nd Lt. James A. Graham

A torn pair of pants was the only injury sustained by Second Lieutenant James A. Graham, 26, whose wife lives in Bellefonte, navigator on the B-17 Flying Fortress "Lady Be Good," when he was forced to bail out of his crippled plane over American front lines.

## CHARGE FROM UNLOADED GUN WOUNDS YOUTH

### William Summers, 14, Shot by Brother While Playing. Condition Serious

An ill-fated turkey hunting expedition by four Boggs township boys who had taken the day off from school ended in tragedy shortly after noon Monday when Earl Lee Summers, 14, shot and seriously wounded his brother, William R. Summers, 12.

The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Summers, who reside along the Dry Top road, about a mile north of Milesburg. The shooting took place in the Summers home, during the absence of their mother and of their grandfather. The boys' father is employed in Akron, Ohio.

The wounded youth received a glancing blow from a charge of shot fired from a shotgun, at a range of about five feet. The charge struck the outer side of his right knee at the joint, tearing the flesh and shattering the knee joint.

## TWO SENTENCED IN TIRE THEFT

### Only Four Cases Listed for Action by Grand Jury, Monday

Entering pleas of guilty to charges of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of Spring Mills, R. D., at a special session of court here Monday morning were sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, fines of \$1 each and to undergo imprisonment in the county jail for 60 days.

## Believe Local Man In Prison Transfer

Twelve hundred American prisoners of war, probably including at least one Centre county man, were removed to Germany from a camp near Poznan, Poland, ahead of liberating Russian armies, Senator Tom Connally (D. Tex.) was advised in Washington early this week.

## Bellefonte Man Visited By Royalty In England



The Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire, Lord Hampden, accompanied by Lady Hampden, recently paid an official visit to an American military hospital in Hertfordshire, England, and spent several hours chatting with patients.

## VETERAN DIES OF BULLET WOUND

### Carmen J. Torsell, 26, Succumbs to Self-Inflicted Injury

A wounded veteran of World War II, who received an honorable discharge from the service on October 27, 1943, died at the Centre County Hospital here at 5 a. m. Sunday as the result of a self-inflicted .32-caliber revolver wound in the forehead.

## Former Local Man Is War Casualty

Robert Grove, 22, radio operator in the Navy and son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grove, of Altoona, died last week at a base hospital in California as the result of an illness believed here to have been tuberculosis.

## Miss Soissons Speaks at CDA Meeting Here

Members of Court Patrick McEvers, C. D. of A. of Bellefonte, met Monday night in the K. of C. rooms on West High street with Mrs. Mary Gray, grand regent, presiding.

## Lift Restrictions on Scout Membership

The Brooks-Doll Post American Legion Scout Troop of Bellefonte has opened memberships to boys who are not sons of Legionnaires. This action was taken at a meeting of the Post, Monday night, when it was announced that sufficient members are enrolled to obtain a charter.

## ALL-STAR TEAM TO PLAY HERE

### Olmstead Field Service Club to Appear in Benefit Game, Monday

An all-star basketball game will be held at the new Bellefonte High School gymnasium on Monday night, February 12, for the benefit of the local March of Dimes campaign, which closes next Thursday.

## NO CHANGE IN BORO. TAX RATE

### Council President Sieg Demands Better Law Enforcement

The tax rate for Bellefonte Borough, for 1945 was retained at 12 mills by action of Borough Council at a regular meeting, Monday night, when a budget calling for estimated receipts and expenditures of \$60,576.66 during the current year was tentatively approved.

## Plans Classes Here

"Building or Buying a Home," a series of six informal classes for prospective home-owners, will be conducted by the Penn State Department of Architecture and the College extension services, beginning February 19, according to the announcement today by Mrs. Mary Harvey Scott, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the course in Bellefonte.

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## Home From Scenes of War, Appeals for Nurses

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## Heavy Damage In Fire at Rockview

### Cannery Buildings Swept By Flames; Auxiliary Building is Destroyed and Machinery Damaged. Cause of Blaze Unknown

Fire wailers believe may have been caused by a short circuit in the electrical system destroyed an auxiliary building at the Rockview cannery, and damaged the main building and much of the canning machinery and equipment, late Friday afternoon.

## TO BUILD 3 VETS HOSPITALS IN PA.

### Congressman Says Previous Sites May Again Be Considered

According to a statement issued by Representative D. Emanuel Brumbaugh, three new Veterans Administration hospitals are provided for Pennsylvania and one for Delaware in the \$44,500,000 appropriation contained in the three billion dollar Independent Offices Appropriation bill favorably reported to Congress February 5 by the House Appropriations Committee.

## Receives Souvenirs From German Front

Mrs. William Cox, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Smith, of East High street, recently received from her husband, Captain Cox, who is with a field artillery unit in Germany, several souvenirs from that battlefront.

## Logans To Observe 75th Anniversary

The Logan Fire Company will celebrate its 75th birthday on Tuesday, February 22, with a banquet to be held at evening at Brooks-Doll Post American Legion Home, East Howard street. The ladies of the Legion Auxiliary will serve the dinner.

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## Now Army Chaplain

### Lt. Neil Gray

Lt. Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gray, of Wilson street, Bellefonte, and who last year became rector of the Episcopal church at Hollidaysburg, on January 18 enlisted in the U. S. Army as a chaplain and has received a commission as a first lieutenant. Lt. and Mrs. Gray came to Bellefonte early this week for a brief visit with the former's parents before going to Ft. Devens, Mass., where he will be stationed for the time being.

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