

# OBITUARY

## MRS. AGNES McVANE MORSE

Mrs. Agnes McVane Morse, a former resident of Bellefonte, died at her home in Cameron early Saturday morning, following a week's illness with complications. Born at Bellefonte, February 2, 1865, she was the daughter of John and Rose Ort Heinle. After her marriage with William McVane she and her husband moved from Bellefonte to Cameron where Mr. McVane engaged in lumbering. After his death, a number of years ago, the widow, who later married Fred Morse of Cameron, conducted a small store at her home, and for fifteen years served as postmistress, retiring in 1939. In addition to her husband, Fred Morse, she is survived by a niece, Mrs. Rose Stewart of Cameron, and several cousins, among whom is Wilbur Bland of Centre Hall. Funeral services were held at the Morse home in Cameron, Tuesday evening and the remains brought to Bellefonte yesterday afternoon for interment in Union cemetery.

## MRS. FRANK M. BARNES

Funeral services were held Saturday in Washington, D. C., for Mrs. Nellie Boal Barnes, Bellefonte native and wife of Frank M. Barnes, who died Thursday, December 4, 1941, at her home in Washington. Mrs. Barnes was born in Bellefonte about 82 years ago, a daughter of David C. Boal, of Boalsburg, and Frances Burnside Boal. She was a granddaughter of Judge Thomas Burnside, of Bellefonte, and lived in the Judge's former home, now the present I. O. O. F. building on West High street until it was sold to F. W. Crider. At that time she and her sister, Miss Lucy, moved into the house on North Spring street which their aunt, Mrs. Jane Mann, of Axemann, had built, and which is now occupied by the Misses Harriet and Elizabeth Hart. Mrs. Barnes was a cousin of George Boal Thompson and Mrs. Rebecca V. Mull, both of Bellefonte; Roland S. Morris, of Philadelphia, former U. S. ambassador to Japan, and Mrs. Samuel B. Scott, of Germantown. A brother, George, is deceased.

## ANNAL LABIN

Annah Labin, aged 78 years, 7 months, passed away at her home in Lake Lynn at 7:45 November 30. Death was caused by pneumonia, although she had been ill for over a year. She was born in De-Ruyter, N. Y., and at the age of 2 moved with her mother to Moshannon, then to Snow Shoe, where she resided until her marriage to Matthew Labin in March, 1880. Her husband preceded her in death 15 years ago; also a daughter, Alice died 8 years ago. She had resided in Lake Lynn for the past 38 years. She is survived by a son, Meese Labin, Lake Lynn; a daughter, Elesia Murphy at home; 6 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

## ERNEST E. HARPSTER

Ernest E. Harpster, 11-months-old son of David and Sarah Saucerman Harpster, of Pennsylvania Furnace, died in the Centre County Hospital at 9 p. m. Monday, December 8, 1941, of complications after a three-weeks illness. The child was born January 30, 1941 at Pennsylvania Furnace. Surviving are the parents and these brothers and sisters: Glenn, LeRoy, Mary Catherine, Eva, Marjory and Marion, all at home. Funeral services will be held at 10 a. m. Thursday at the Baileyville Presbyterian church, with Rev. Albertus Groendyk officiating. Interment will take place in Pine Grove Mills.

## R. BRUCE STOVER

R. Bruce Stover, 41, formerly in the real estate business at Lock Haven, and more recently employed at Harrisburg, died Tuesday morning at the Lock Haven Private Hospital. Born in Livonia, Mr. Stover went to Lock Haven in 1911, was graduated from the Teachers' College, then the Normal School in 1917, and for a number of years was a teacher at Carnegie High School at Pittsburgh. Later he joined his father, the late Thomas N. Stover, in the real estate business in Lock Haven. Funeral services will be at the Helt funeral home, tomorrow afternoon, with burial in Dunsmuir cemetery.

## MRS. GERTRUDE WAITE

Mrs. Gertrude Waite, widow of Hiram Waite, died Tuesday morning in the Ellis Hospital at Schenectady, N. Y. Born in Centre county November 21, 1867, she was the former Miss Gertrude McMonigal. Members of the family include a daughter, Mrs. C. C. Carolus of Altoona, and the following sisters: Mrs. Mary Swires, Bellwood; Mrs. Laura Miller, Grove City; and Mrs. Almeda Beaman, Schenectady. The body

was brought to Altoona for interment.

ADDITIONAL DEATHS ON PAGE EIGHT—SECOND SECTION

## Driver Freed In Man's Death

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L. Giles, of the Tyrone city police, and Mr. Bowser, driver of the car. Under questioning it was brought out that the victim was under the influence of intoxicants at the time of the accident.

Bowser testified that he visited Everhart several times at the hospital and that the victim told him he didn't remember what struck him or where the accident happened or any other particulars of the mishap.

Mr. Everhart was born October 17, 1870 in Spruce Creek Valley, a son of Alfred and Sarah (Hampton) Everhart. He was married to Sarah Frances Hampton, and had been a resident of Tyrone for 48 years.

Surviving are his wife; four sons, all at home; a step-daughter, and four brothers and a sister. Mr. Everhart was of the Methodist faith and followed the trade of roofer for many years.

## BELLEFONTE C. D. A. TO HOLD CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of Court Patrick McArdie, Catholic Daughters of America of Bellefonte, at a meeting in the K. of C. rooms, West High street, last week decided to hold a Christmas party in the same rooms, December 14, at 8 p. m. Members are requested to bring a 25 cent gift. Mrs. Russell Haupt is chairman of the party.

It also was decided to continue the weekly parties being held every Saturday night in the store room in the Brockerhoff building on West Bishop street.

The following committees were appointed to act for the next three months: Mrs. Winfield Love and Mrs. Sarah Moerschbacher, sick call; Mrs. Joseph Bauer and Mrs. Ruth Casper, activities.

## MADISONBURG YOUTH IN ARMY AIR SCHOOL

Aviation Cadet Kenneth L. Royer of Madisonburg, is now studying aerial navigation at the Advanced Flying School at Albany, Ga.

Cadet Royer left the replacement center at Maxwell Field, Ala., headquarters of the Southeast Air Corps Training Center, last week for the Georgia school. He has been studying navigation at Montgomery, Ala., since September. Upon the completion of the navigation course, he will be awarded a commission as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps.

He attended the Pennsylvania State College where he participated in soccer and skiing. He was an engineer before he entered the Army.

Classified Ads bring results.

## Renew Plans for Air-Raid Alarms

### Bellefonte Legion Seeks Volunteers to Aid in Observation Posts

What was originally set up to be a test of air-raid warning service along the Eastern Seaboard can well be the real thing now that we are at war with Japan.

When the Bellefonte American Legion was requested by the Air Corps of the U. S. Army to furnish personnel to operate these air-raid warning posts, the response of volunteers was satisfactory. This was during last summer and the prospects of spending a few hours on an observation post spotting planes, and the hope of being able to make a telephone report direct to Army Air Headquarters at Mitchell Field, was quite an inducement.

For reasons unknown this test was never held in this area. The eleven observation posts assigned to, and organized by Brooks-Doll Post No. 33, Bellefonte, are still intact. Monday things began to happen. Four of the eleven chief observers received telephone calls from Air Corps Headquarters, advising them of their post's code name and number and directing them to go into action at once. They also were advised that they would receive detailed instructions by mail. The chief observers immediately started to round up their observers. Slight difficulties were encountered due to sickness, working hours, and other reasons. For this reason volunteers are requested to contact the chief observer closest to their home at once and volunteer to act as observers. The more observers there are the less time everyone will have to be on duty. Anyone from the age of twelve up with good hearing is eligible to volunteer for this observation duty for perhaps several hours a day.

Bellefonte is not far from the Atlantic Ocean and is on direct air lanes to vital defense industries in interior. Vital defense industries are located here and must be protected at all costs. Now is the time it must be done.

Following is a roster of chief observers, their home addresses, and services and their home addresses:

Walter Zahniser, Unionville; Hugh Quigley, Bellefonte; M. L. Weisler, Milesburg; W. W. Hampton, Bellefonte; L. R. Glenn, Milesburg; Earl Peck, Nittany; Robert R. Hill, Bellefonte; L. Ward Hill, Pleasant Gap;

## Hunter Held In Fatal Shooting

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According to reports the penalty imposed under the law for the charge is a jail term of from one to two years, and in addition the defendant is required to pay an amount not exceeding \$500 to the family of the victim.

The criminal prosecution was brought against Matella after a coroner's jury meeting at Clarence last Wednesday night found that Bosak had been killed by Matella in mistake for game.

"I swear by Almighty God that I thought I was shooting at a deer," Matella told the coroner's jury before a large but orderly audience of spectators in the United Mine Workers' Hall at Clarence.

Witnesses who testified also included Andy Botson, Clarence; Edward Dembinski, of New Kensington; and John Duke, Clarence, all of whom had been hunting with the victim on the day of the fatal accident; Squire Tobias, who said that Matella reported the accident to him about 5 p. m. the same day, and who added that he tried to get in touch with officers to report the matter; Michael Botson and Mike Soltis, both of Clarence, who arrived on the scene soon after the shooting, and Dr. Edward Harris, of Snow Shoe, who performed an autopsy at the request of Coroner Sheekler.

Bosak was shot as he and his companions emerged from a trail in the woods six miles north of Clarence. Matella, witnesses claim, fired the shot from a point 63 feet in front of and below where Bosak was standing. The victim, shot through the abdomen, died on the spot about half an hour later, while arrangements were being made to get him out of the woods.

## Piper Distributor Killed

The war with Japan in its first hours came near Lock Haven with the killing of Bob Tye, Piper Cub distributor in Honolulu. Mr. Tye, head of the K-P Flying Service, had wired only last Friday for another Cub. The Associated Press reported that Mr. Tye, machine-gunned by a Japanese plane that swooped low as he was attempting to spin the propeller of a plane, was the first to die in the Japanese surprise attack.

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**Educators Meet**  
Central Pennsylvania educators opened their fall conference at the Pennsylvania State College Tuesday, with nearly 100 secondary school administrators and teachers and college professors of education expected to attend. Dr. Allan Patterson of the Lock Haven State Teachers College was listed to head a discussion of problems in training secondary school teachers.

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