

Odd and CURIOUS in the NEWS

'BEST WISHES, JOE' Two years ago Adolf Hitler messaged Josef Stalin: "Accept my most sincere congratulations on your sixtieth birthday, my best wishes for your personal well-being and a happy future for the Soviet people."

GLAD TO HELP Boatswain's mate Robert Fick rushed into Guyne Sun's Chinese laundry, New York, and asked for his bundle in a hurry. It was 11 o'clock and he had to report for duty at noon.

REDSKIN RILED The redman is on the warpath again. Twenty-two Sioux Indian braves from the Crow Creek agency shambled into a recruiting office at Sioux Falls and signed up for Uncle Sam.

'SEND MORE JAPS' Take it for what it's worth, but this is the story that has been circulating in Honolulu: When navy officials established contact with the marine garrison defending tiny Wake Island, they asked, "Is there anything you want?" "Yes," came the reply, "send us some more Japs."

A PLEASURE "I'd rather do business with a Jap than with an American," proclaims a sign erected in a main street show window by Joseph Cusie, of Somerville, N. J. Cusie is proprietor of a funeral home.

Bankers usually agree that "easy" money is a bad thing for the people.

Soldier and Companion Killed As Car Hits Truck-Trailer In Blair County

Believed to Be Sweethearts, Victims Were Identified as Private Albert F. Taxis and Miss Nettie Zweemer of Florida

A soldier and a woman companion, both of Florida, were fatally injured early Friday when their automobile crashed into a truck-trailer on route 22 near Canoe Creek, Blair county.

The car had to be partially dismantled to remove Taxis, the driver, from behind the steering wheel. Shopmen used tools from their cars. The truck sustained about \$250 damage, police estimated, but Guyer was not harmed.

An army regulation identification tag around the soldier's neck gave his next of kin as Albert F. Taxis of Maywood, N. J., apparently his father. Miss Zweemer, according to papers found among her personal effects, has closest family connections in Grand Rapids, Mich.

ORVISTON (From last week)

The Christmas season is again upon us with snow and ice for the delight of the children who are improving every minute of the time. But the older folks act very cautiously when traveling about.

Mrs. James Nyman of Marsh Creek, is visiting with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charlotte Nyman, Genevieve Nyman, who has been brought home from the Private Hospital at Lock Haven, is not improving as her family and neighbors would like her to do.

The P. O. of A. lodge held their Christmas party after the lodge session was over, and had a very pleasant time exchanging gifts.

Mrs. Essie Lomison, Mrs. J. Edwin Gillespie and Mrs. Clair Butler were Lock Haven shoppers last Wednesday.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Confer has been ill the past week but is some better at this writing.

Former Carriage Builder Is Dead

Lewis Corvin Funk, 87, of Clintondale, was found dead in bed about 5 o'clock Wednesday morning of last week at the home of his son, Ralph G. Funk, Dr. W. J. Shoemaker, Clinton county coroner, said he had died of a heart condition about 3 a. m. He had been ill for some time with heart trouble.

PENN STATE COW SETS NEW OFFICIAL RECORD

A new record, exceeding the average of the Guernsey breed for her age and class has just been completed by a 3 1/2-year-old cow, Pennsylvania State College and announced by The American Cattle Club of Peterborough, N. H.

MARKET QUOTATIONS Corrected Weekly by C. Y. Wagner & Co., Inc., Flour Mill, Bellefonte

To Relieve Misery of COLDS Take 666 LIQUID TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS

Preparedness Week



Poor Family Loses Everything In Fire

Homer Walker Family Deprived of All Household Belongings

The farm house on the Harry W. Heverly farm, once the Charles Heimer, Sr. farm, located on a high hill in Beech Creek township two and a half miles from Beech Creek borough, was entirely destroyed by fire about 9:30 a. m. Wednesday of last week.

The tenant family of Homer Walker, who occupied only the house was hard hit by the disaster as they lost everything including clothing on the second floor and considerable on the first floor.

Neighbors have been temporarily sheltering the family for whom an appeal has been made to the Red Cross and Salvation Army, which are asking for donations of clothing and household necessities.

HOLTS HOLLOW

The person who left their treat in the church can call for it at J. F. Watson's.

Mrs. Edith Burd entertained Mr. and Mrs. Milford Burd and family of Pleasant Gap, Mrs. Art Bennett and children of Runville, and other relatives recently.

Mr. and Mrs. John Watson took dinner at the Roy Sheesley home at Howard and attended the funeral of Tomer Robb.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler of Monument, Jane Bennett of Runville, Fount McCartney of Mt. Eagle, Harry and Linn Johnson were recent guests at the Leathers home.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Switzer, Julia Geovanelli of Bellefonte, Mrs. George Magargel of Pleasant Gap, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sheesley and family of Howard, were recent guests at the John Watson home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Reese and children of Gum Stump, called on home folks on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wesley and daughter of Clearfield, spent the weekend with relatives at this place.

Eddie and Monroe Burd called on friends at Orviston on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Malvin Lucas and family of Milesburg, Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Watson and family were callers at the Charles Lucas home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Shawley and son, Mrs. Harry Haagen of Yarnell, Rev. and Mrs. Miller and two children of Runville, Mr. and Mrs. Orvis Watson and family were callers at the Edith Burd home on Sunday.

Harvey Watkins of Orviston, attended church at this place on Sunday.

Testing Dye To ascertain if the dye is a 'fast' color, dampen a small piece of the dyed cloth and then rub it on a piece of clean white paper. If it leaves no stain, the dye is "fast."

Rare Disease Strikes Three Members Tyrone Family; All In Hospital

W. C. Bair, Wife and Daughter, Become Ill After Eating Canned Swiss Chard; Only 2 Other Cases Reported in State

A rare and peculiar disease known in the medical world as botulism, developing from a germ in improperly canned foods, has plagued the family of 72-year-old William C. (Uncle Billy) Bair, well known Tyrone Boy Scout figure, whose condition is regarded as much more serious at Phillipsburg State Hospital than his wife and daughter, Helen, 36, a Tyrone school teacher.

Hospital attendants disclosed that Mr. Bair was not considered very good, reported his wife as "fairly good" and his daughter as "good."

The family contracted the disease whose salient characteristic is paralysis, after eating canned Swiss chard. Botulism, it was explained, develops from green vegetables not properly cooked before eating.

First symptoms noticed is a double vision, it was said, and then the disease spreads gradually over the entire body, paralyzing the muscles, nerves and organs and generally resulting in death.

The strange disease purportedly only occurs when canned foods are not cooked properly before eating. The disease is so rare that only two other cases have ever been known in this part of the state. Ten or 12 years ago James Cunningham and his 4-year-old daughter, Thelma, contracted the poison when eating canned string beans. They both died at their South Phillipsburg home.

Back in those years, doctors stated, mortality was 100 per cent. Since that time a serum Botulinus Antitoxin, has been developed and this is said to reduce the mortality rate by 20 per cent.

18 Is Dangerous Age to Own Car

Clinton County Judge Warns Automobiles Are Occasions For Trouble

The opinion that boys of 18 are ill-advised in owning an auto even though they be capable operators, was voiced Friday by Judge Henry Hipple, presiding at the special session of Clinton county court, at which three Jersey Shore youths were sentenced.

The judge advised that this is particularly the case where youths have financial difficulty in keeping a machine. Cars are occasions for trouble to youths, Judge Hipple warned.

KATO (From Last Week)

Mr. Dewey Prophets died here at his home sometime Thursday night. His neighbor found him at 9 o'clock Friday morning.

John Biletz, who left last Wednesday morning on a trip to Virginia, returned home on Friday night.

Miss Mary Lago visited Mrs. Frank Rothrock Sunday evening.

William H. Alexander of Pancake, was down here having quite a bit of car trouble trying to make it up Kato Hill, and still didn't get to Pancake.

Miss Mary Biletz was visiting her friend, Miss Betty Leso, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Holtzapple and their friend, John Biletz, moved to Lock Haven Saturday morning.

Pete McClosky is our new neighbor and is working at the Kato mines.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kaleso moved to Clarence Sunday afternoon.

Gets British Order It was announced by plant officials of the Milliflung Body Company that a 398-unit order has been received from the British Purchasing Commission.

Record Year For Fair In spite of the ban on attendance of children this year because of infantile paralysis, profits in excess of \$24,000 were earned at the record-breaking 1941 Bloomsburg fair, it was shown in the report of the treasurer for the past year. Paid admissions to the fair were shown to be 98,865 and total day and night grandstand receipts were \$31,213.75. Both are all-time records for the 86-year-old exhibition.

Buy Defense Bonds now!

Random Items

INSIDE DOPE: We offer our condolences to Bellefonte's Mayor Hardman P. Harris, who almost got a Christmas present of an appointment to a vacancy on the State Fish Commission. From what we hear he was virtually promised the job, but a Republican politician who definitely is not down or out, put a sprague in Hizzoner's appointment because he and the Mayor's sponsor some time ago came to the paring of the ways. As a result, Mayor Harris, long a staunch and loyal Republican, and who is no younger anymore, lost a golden opportunity to a nice honorary position.

LUNCH: "There is nothing," commented a well known veteran Bellefonte fireman yesterday, "that delights the heart of a volunteer fireman more than to be served hot coffee and a sandwich after he's been fighting a stubborn fire. It is more stimulating than the stronger forms of refreshment!"

IN MOVIES: Bellefonte residents will be interested to know that Col. J. E. Taylor, of Beverly Hills, California, a native of Bellefonte, was technical adviser for the Warner Brothers film "They Died With Their Boots On." Col. Taylor, a regular army man with long cavalry experience, is a brother of Capt. Richard Taylor, of Bellefonte, and of the late Col. Hugh S. Taylor, of this community. The Taylors long have been army-minded, and the youngest member of the clan to enter the armed forces is Philip Taylor, son of the late Col. (Continued on Page Seven)

FDR Asks President In 1956 To Send Colin Kelly 3rd, to West Point

In an unusual token of appreciation of a deed of heroism, President Roosevelt has addressed a letter to the President of the United States—whoever it may be—in 1956, requesting the appointment as a West Point cadet of Colin P. Kelly, III.

Now less than two years old, Colin P. Kelly, III, is the son of a 26-year-old Captain Colin P. Kelly, Jr., who scored three bomb hits and sunk the Japanese battleship Haruna off Luzon December 3.

Captain Kelly, of Madison, Fla., lost his life in the action which destroyed the first Japanese warship in the war which began Dec. 7 with the Japanese surprise attack on Pearl Harbor.

The President's letter, written on White House stationery and dated December 18, follows: "To the President of the United States in 1956:

"I am writing this letter as an act of faith in the destiny of our country. I desire to make a request which I make in full confidence that we shall achieve a glorious victory in the war we now are waging to preserve our democratic way of life.

"My request is that you consider the merits of a young American youth of good heritage—Colin P. Kelly, III, for appointment as a cadet in the United States Military Academy at West Point. I make this appeal in behalf of this youth as a token of the nation's appreciation of the heroic services of his father who met death in line of duty at the very outset of the struggle which was thrust upon us by the perfidy of a professed friend.

"In the conviction that the service and example of Captain Colin P. Kelly, Jr., will be long remembered, I ask this consideration in behalf of Colin P. Kelly, III."

It was the second time in as many days that the President has cited the heroism of the army aviator.

Addressing the labor-industry conference to curb war-time strikes, he applied the word "must" to them as individuals in urging a quick agreement and added:

"A boy, the other day, was out in a plane. The government did not tell him he had to dive on a battleship and lose his life. That was his 'must'; his own personal 'must.' There was nothing in his orders that told he had to dive his plane into a Japanese battleship. That was young Kelly's own personal 'must.'"

"And each one of you, and I too, we have our personal 'musts.'"

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