

Odd and CURIOUS in the NEWS

GIRL BEATS MEN
 17-year-old Patricia Altrec, of Beaverton, Ore., who operates a seventy-acre farm near LaCenter, Wash., defeated nine male competitors in a three-state regional plowing contest. The attractive high school miss won by plowing up points for straightness of furrow, straightness of opening furrow and of furrow wall, neatness of dead furrow and back furrow and maneuvering along headland. Patricia took over the farm operation last spring when her father, W. Altrec, took a job in a war industry.

LATE FOR SUPPER
 George (Dutch) Jaeger, of San Diego, Calif., was late for supper one year late—but all's forgiven because while his wife had waited the 29-year-old airman bagged six Japanese planes. Jaeger just returned from Burma where he helped the American volunteer group, the Flying Tigers, shoot down Japanese war birds. "The day he left San Diego to go to Burma," said his wife, "he called me and said he'd be a little late for supper. It was a year before he arrived home for that meal."

CAR FOR TICKET
 The Lancaster Service Committee had an automobile added to its collection Friday because R. W. Baxter decided to "walk for the duration" rather than pay a fine for overtime parking. Baxter strode into police headquarters, waved a parking ticket at the desk sergeant and said "You may have the ticket and the car." Police notified Earl F. Reiman, chairman of the salvage committee, and Baxter turned the title of the car—a 1936 sedan—over to him.

PICKED AT RANDOM
 Last Spring Lieut. John M. Anderson, 21, army bombardier of Pontiac, Michigan, closed his eyes, put his finger on a page of churches in the telephone directory—to pick the one at which he would attend Easter services. He did and met Marjorie Ackerman, also 21. They were married last week.

Promoted in Panama
 James C. Myers, son of George W. Myers, and former Lock Haven High School and Teachers College athlete, is one of eight civilian physical instructors in Panama City, Canal Zone, promoted to high non-commissioned offices in the U. S. Army Air Force Gunnery School at Tyndall Field. Myers was made a staff sergeant. He coached football at Centre Hall and Berwyn, and became an army physical instructor three months ago.

Sleep Walker Falls
 Miss Josephine McCohan, 19, of Tyrone, employed by the Sylvania Corporation at Mill Hall, walked in her sleep at her new rooming house in Lock Haven one night last week and fell from an upstairs window to the pavement below. Passers witnessed the accident, and she was taken to the office of a physician and from there to the Lock Haven Hospital, where she was found to have received only minor injuries.

Much Storm Damage
 The Northwestern Sunbury area received the brunt of a severe electrical storm last Sunday evening. Many trees were blown over and several streets were flooded in Northumberland, it was reported. The Stannett Building and Supply Company was said to have been struck by lightning, which caused a minor blaze.

For Victory: Buy Bonds.

FARM QUESTION BOX

by **ED W. MITCHELL**
 Farm Advisor
 General Electric Station WGY



Q—Can I dig or pull water-cress plants from a stream and reset them near my own spring?
A—You can buy water-cress seed and sow it near your spring or dig or pull plants and reset them. Do not let them dry out during the process. Cress is temperamental—it will either not grow at all or will grow in spite of abuse. Do not hesitate to try your luck in any way that is most convenient. Buy the seed or transplant any time except winter.

Q—How can I keep crickets out of the house?
A—Scatter a little chloride of lime around door sills or cellar windows wherever you think they might enter, and feed them sodium fluoride on bread and butter.

Q—Please tell me how to control Mexican bean beetles.
A—Watch the egg clusters on the underside of the leaf. Just as you would for potato beetles. When the first eggs hatch or at the first sign of feeding damage, spray or dust with either rotenone or calcium-arsenate, and repeat once a week till no new grubs and damage are seen. Use one pound of calcium-arsenate in five pounds hydrated lime, and shoot at the underside of the leaf where the feeding begins.

Q—How can rose bugs be kept away from peonies?
A—Rose bugs are a hard pest to

control. I send you a page suggesting various remedies, some of which work sometimes. No one has found a real, good control for rose bugs.

Q—I want some information on types of nesting boxes, fodo, and care of setting hens. Should the hens be separated from one another during this period?
A—Not necessarily. You can set a row of nest boxes in a secluded place and each hen will go back to her own. Any sort of box or basket will do. Put a chunk of sod and cover it with shavings or sawdust to retain moisture; give the hens a good house treatment just before you set them; and put food and water in a convenient place.

Q—Can you give me available information on the preparation of fruits and vegetables to be frozen?
A—In brief, the most important thing is to pack the product in an air-tight, waterproof package so it will not dry out. There are wrappers and packages designed especially for this purpose, and your locker, cold storage plant or local electrical dealer can probably supply them. Meats are prepared ready to cook, wrapped and frozen. Fruits are usually crushed with a little sugar added, packed in a waxed package, sealed and frozen. Vegetables are prepared for cooking but only scalded for a minute or two, then packaged and frozen. I will get you some bulletins on the subject.

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Central District Firemen Meet At Philipsburg In 50th Annual Convention

Delegates Select Kane As 1943 Convention City; Former Judge M. Ward Fleming, of Bellefonte, Re-elected Treasurer

The two-day sessions of the Central District Volunteer Firemen's convention at Philipsburg came to a close last Wednesday with the election of officers.

At the business meeting which marked the concluding session, the 105 delegates, and the 225 visiting firemen unanimously selected Kane as the 1943 convention city and proceeded with the election of officers for the coming year. Theodore Johnston of Kane was elected president, after James Connelly of Ludlow, personally declined the position, stating that his position in the present war effort prevented him from devoting his time in the business affairs of the group. Edward Clark, Clearfield, D. C. VanDevanter, Bellwood, and John Gowland, Philipsburg, were elected first, second and third vice presidents respectively.

Laboratory Is Damaged by Fire

Extracts Valued at \$4000 Destroyed; Short-Circuit Given As Cause

Approximately \$4,000 worth of extracts, gathered in Mexico and the Southwest by Prof. R. E. Marker, were destroyed in a fire in Dean Whitmore's research laboratory in the New Physics building at Penn State College early Saturday morning.

The extracts, representing much expenditure in time and money, were being used in Professor Marker's experiments with hormones.

The refrigerator in which they were stored was short circuited, causing solvents to heat and finally resulting in an explosion which burst the refrigerator and filled part of the third floor of the building with smoke and ammonia fumes.

Alpha freemen were called at 3:15 a. m. after the fire had been discovered by a campus patrolman. Chemicals and water from a booster tank were used to extinguish the blaze.

2 Sentenced On Morals Counts

Clinton County Farm Hand Gets 5 to 10 Years For Attacking Woman

Clinton County Court last Wednesday sentenced two men to terms in Western Penitentiary on morals counts.

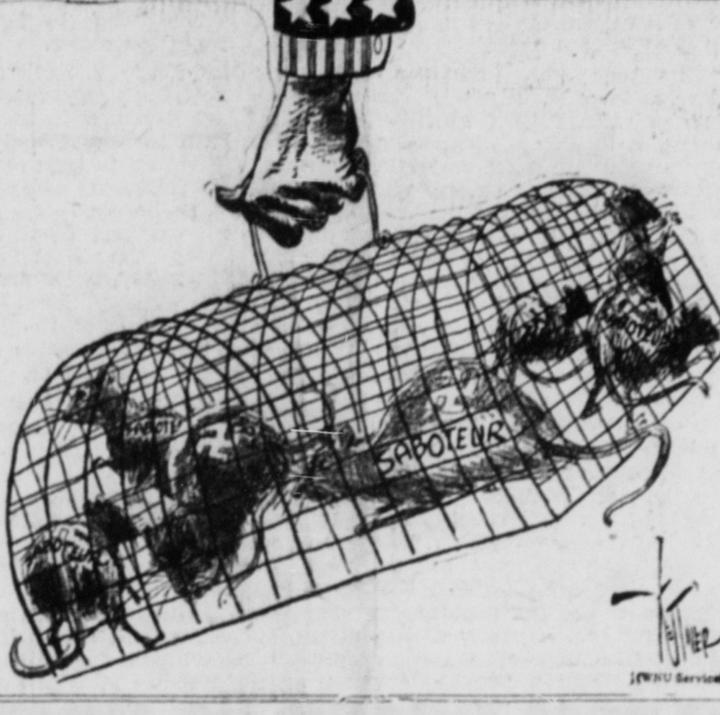
William Walmat, 23, farmhand who pleaded guilty to a rape charge involving a woman taxi driver, was given 5-to-10-year sentence and ordered to pay a dollar fine and costs.

Brady A. Beck, 39, convicted on a sodomy charge, was sentenced to serve 3 to 10 years and ordered to pay the costs and a dollar fine.

Walmat had been on probation from a larceny sentence of 3 to 5 years, dating from March, 1940.

Judge Henry Hippie presided.

Open Season for Trapping



CONFER ON CURRENT PROBLEMS

A two-day rural leaders' conference attended by forty-five delegates representing twelve rural organizations in the state was held by the Pennsylvania Country Life Association at the Pennsylvania State College early this month.

Planned primarily to give leaders the opportunity to discuss rural problems and programs, the conference consisted of symposium and round-table groups.

The topics discussed in the individual sessions were: educating the rural population and keeping it well-informed, maintaining health and welfare under war conditions, guiding the personal adjustment of rural

THOSE ROOSEVELT BOYS

Before Pearl Harbor it was fashionable for isolationists to work the knife in on the President sideways: "Through his family."

Most familiar slime song of those times was: "How'd the President like his sons to be sent into some foreign war?"

The answer, since overlooked, is lined up this week by *Time Magazine*. It's a record the President, his wife—and our whole country—may be proud of.

Those four Roosevelt boys—James, Elliot, John and Franklin, Jr.—are all in the armed forces. Not in cushy jobs, but in action. Three have been under enemy fire. Not once, but more times than we know.

Suppose you were the parent of these four boys. Look at their records. Then ask yourself whether this kind of service merits cheers—or sneers?

Maj. James Roosevelt of the Marine Corps, was bombed and strafed during an inspection trip to the Middle East last May. He was under fire again in the Battle of Midway. He was second in command of the Marine's daredevil, hit-run attack on one of the Gilbert Islands last week.

Lieutenant Colonel Elliot Roosevelt, on observation in Libya last spring, found his plane attacked, then chased by the Luftwaffe. After he returned to the United States, for a minor operation, he was put in charge of an aerial photography unit, promoted to lieutenant colonel two weeks ago.

Son of Former Bellefonte Resident Seeks to Set Aside Provisions of Mother's Will

Dispute, Based on Mental Condition of Mrs. J. Linn Harris at Time of Her Death, Being Aired in Clinton County Court

Preachers and churches figure prominently in the Harris will case being heard in the Clinton County court, the principals of whom are identified with a Bellefonte family. Dr. Linn Harold Harris, the petitioner, a son of the late J. Linn Harris, of Bellefonte, is an ordained Methodist minister, although he has devoted his life to teaching. He is trying to have set aside the will of his mother, Mrs. Mary Polsgrove Harris, the daughter of another Methodist minister, Dr. John B. Polsgrove.

In her will Mrs. Harris left the bulk of her estate to the Central Pennsylvania Conference of the Methodist church, the income to be devoted to a preacher's retirement fund as a memorial to her parents, John B. and Amelia Polsgrove.

The Rev. G. Cecil Weimer, pastor of the Trinity Methodist church at Lock Haven, of which Mrs. Harris is a member, is executor of her will.

The action brought by Dr. Harris to have the will of his mother set aside is based on the assumption that when she drew it not long before her death two years ago, she was of unsound mind and suffering from delusions.

Shared Father's Estate
 J. Linn Harris, father of the petitioner, died Sept. 12, 1938. Dr. Harris testified that his father's will divided his estate equally between his mother and himself, but the latter paid

all the specific bequests out of his half. He said that he believed his mother received an income of between \$700 and \$800 a year from securities left by his father. He never inquired about her exact income because he knew she had enough to live on.

Mrs. Harris died December 7, 1940. Dr. Harris testified he came to Lock Haven immediately upon being notified. Later, upon looking through his mother's effects he came across an envelope addressed to him and containing a will he found in a dresser drawer in his mother's room. Reading it and assuming it to be correct, from the contents, he went to the bank to go through the papers.

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Youth Overstayed Leave from Camp

Picked Up in Lock Haven on Instructions From Camp Sutton

Private James Hale, of Camp Sutton, N. C., was being held in the county jail at Lock Haven Saturday, on charges from camp authorities of overstaying his leave.

Hale was picked up on Saturday morning by Lock Haven Police when seen on a porch of an East Bald Eagle street resident, talking with a woman.

Questioned by Police Chief Martin J. Peters, Hale told the officer that he had come to Lock Haven several days ago because of the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Sarah Hale, who had undergone an operation at the Private Hospital.

The order from Camp Sutton ordering the youth's arrest stated he had been absent from camp since July 27.

County Gets Share Highway Payment

\$7401.01 Allotted Townships For Road and Bridge Maintenance

Auditor General F. Clair Ross on Friday approved regular September quarter highway payments totalling \$7401.01 to sixteen townships in Centre county, for maintenance and construction of roads and bridges on their respective highway systems.

Payments approved include:

Boggs	\$ 795.63
Curtin	484.91
Ferguson	583.77
Gregg	776.79
Haines	418.64
Halfmoon	174.19
Huston	268.25
Marion	94.16
Miles	174.19
Potter	1099.20
Rush	440.44
Snow Shoe	378.58
Taylor	426.96
Union	459.02
Walker	324.84
Worth	503.74
Total	\$7401.01

Reported Missing
 Joseph Felzer, former Lewisburg young man, has been reported by the War Department as missing or lost in action in the Philippines, according to a communication received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Kratzer, now residents of Candandigua, N. Y. A graduate of Lewisburg High School with the class of 1933 he had been employed at Syracuse, N. Y., with the John Deere Plow Company until his enlistment three years ago. No message has been received from him for several months.

Greene School Opens Sept. 8
 The board of school directors of Gregg township recently announced that all schools within the township will open for the 1942-1943 term on Tuesday morning, September 8.

FINAL AUTHORITY:
 The newspapers report that opinions of Congressman James E. VanZandt on the question of a second front in Europe are quoted in the August 14 issue of the United States News. After viewing the pros and cons of the situation Padgett VanZandt is quoted as winding up with the profound observation: "It is my opinion that the question of a second front should be left in the hands of our military leaders."

MORE VANZANDT:
 Rep. James E. VanZandt, our Congressman, last week introduced a bill proposing that the pay of all members of the armed forces be continued for six months after their honorable discharge from service. The measure provides that such pay is not to exceed \$200 a month. Wonder how many nights' sleep James lost figuring out that blanket vote-getting idea?

CAUTION NOTICE:
 If you see a youngster on Bellefonte streets crying tremendously, and if you ask him what's the trouble and he tells you his mother gave him a quarter to buy something down town and he lost it and he's afraid to go home, you'll be pretty safe in giving him a substantial kick in the pants. He's been working the racket with excellent results for these many months.

THINGS:
 ... we never knew before: Some persons, upon having an arm, leg, finger or toe amputated, have the pieces buried in their favorite grave. There are several cases on record where persons having amputations had the members buried in the family plot at the Union cemetery.

SOUNDS:
 ... the younger generation knows nothing about it: The clean and pleasant noise of a wagon wheel scraping against a curb stone... The thumping of a heavy drag wagon over a cobblestone street.

BURGLAR:
 Too late for publication last week, we received word of a burglary scare on West Curtin street one night early in the week. A resident of that area was entertaining a member of one of the town's oldest families and the two women were in the living room about 10 p. m. when there was a great commotion at the back door. Horrified, the ladies called out, asking who was there, but there was no answer. In panic they ran to the front door to get help, but just as they did so, the "burglar" appeared around the corner of the house. It was the hostess's daughter, unexpectedly home from a trip.

SLOGAN:
 The reverse side of business envelopes used by the Dean Phipps Auto Stores carries the following excellent suggestion: "Every town needs more free and easy parking. A moving car cannot spend money. A parked car helps every kind of business." That last sentence is handy advice to remember the next time you date that blonde from up the street.

NO TIN SOLDIER:
 Wonder how many of the persons who wore the badges "I Wanna be a Captain, Too," sometime ago when

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Check Up On Your Status In The Draft

Want to know your draft status? A listing of current classifications under the Selective Service Act follows:

- Class 1-A—Registrants free of any known physical handicap and not otherwise liable for active duty for any other reason.
- 1-B—Men with minor physical defects.
- 1-C—Persons already in the service who have been inducted into any branch of the service.
- 2-A—Men deferred because they are necessary in civilian life.
- 2-B—Men without dependents who are necessary in the national defense. (Police and firemen are in this class.)
- 3-A—Men with dependents.
- 3-B—Men with dependents employed in national defense industries.
- 4-B—Officials deferred by law.
- 4-C—Natural aliens requesting relief from service and aliens not acceptable to the armed forces.
- 4-D—Ministers and divinity students.
- 4-E—Conscientious objectors.
- 4-F—Men physically, mentally or morally unfit.

"Write 'Em a Letter"



Eight Stars in This Mother's Flag

Eight of Mrs. Esther McCabe's 12 children, residents of Lilly, Cambria county, are serving Uncle Sam—six in the armed forces, the seventh a second mate in the Merchant Marine, and the eighth a war worker. Three younger sons want to finish high school in this Cambria county community and "join up."

Mrs. McCabe, who also has one daughter, told all her sons as they entered the nation's service: "It is your duty to serve your country."

"Me is very proud these days," said Robert, 30, latest to go. "She knows that her sons are doing their duty to the nation which means so much to her. While, naturally, she

Suffers Bad Burns

James Scott, an employee of the Dye and Print Works at Shamokin, suffered severe burns of the abdomen, left leg and right arm, when a fellow worker overturned a pail of scalding water. He is in a serious condition at the Shamokin Hospital.

Admitted to Hospital
 George Owens of Bellefonte, was admitted to the Lock Haven Private Hospital, Sunday evening, as a medical patient.

The idea that this war is being fought to demonstrate that all races are equal is as fallacious as the first World War conclusion that all nations were equal.

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