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EDITORIAL

GREAT DECISIONS ARE NEAR

The United States enters its twentieth month of warfare, with its tremendous military power mobilized, trained and equipped for war on a mammoth scale.

The contrast between the situation that exists in July, 1943, with that of July, 1942, reveals the steady decline of Axis fortunes.

The United Nations, up to 1943, faced a coalition better prepared for war and occupying interior positions that enabled them to take full advantage of their superiority.

Now, the Axis powers are surrounded by enemies of greater strength who are ready to hammer at the circle of steel until it crumbles.

The fact that the United Nations are able to contemplate this double-barreled attack upon their foes proves conclusively that the initiative has definitely passed from the Axis and that the Allies have amassed strategic strength in vital areas.

Production and Transportation

In seeking to understand the course of the war, we should not overlook the fact that these ventures are possible because of the miraculous production of war materials and the successful maintenance of oceanic lines of communication.

No offensive would have been possible without our amazing output of the tools of warfare and the successful retention of sea control throughout the world.

The delay of Germany in attacking Russia causes considerable discussion and results in a variety of explanations. The most obvious is that the Nazis expect an Anglo-American invasion and hesitate to commit their reserves to a great battle in the East.

Obviously, this is good strategy, but it will be futile if the Anglo-American invasion is synchronized with a massive Russian counter-offensive against the Nazis.

Aerial Offensive Effective

The aerial offensive against the German Ruhr, and other German-held areas, has affected German plans, forcing the Nazis to attempt a better defense system.

The present promise is that aerial attack will be greatly increased this month and that the destruction of German industry, port facilities and transportation facilities will continue at a greater rate.

Meanwhile, the aerial offensive in the Mediterranean is duplicating the destruction that has been visited on the Ruhr and from Russia come reports that the Red air fleet is also dealing damaging blows to the enemy.

The operations in the Mediterranean, aimed at Sicily, Italy and the Balkans area are considered a prelude to actual invasion. The time and place of the invasion worries the Nazis considerably, forcing them to disperse their strength in order to be ready to defend the Balkans, Italy and Southern France.

U-Boat Campaign Fizzes

No review of the current war situation would be complete without reference to the amazing collapse of Germany's U-boat offensive.

Not only have allied ships experienced fewer losses at sea, but more U-boats have been sunk than ever before. The result is due to the execution of well-organized plans, which could not be carried out until sufficient escort vessels and scouting aircraft became available.

Today, convoys are more adequately protected by escorting warships, assisted by ample aircraft. In addition, some credit must be given to aerial attacks delivered against the U-boat nests in Europe.

Naval and Aerial Superiority

The situation in the Pacific represents the beginning of a great and violent storm. That considerable preparations are being made to attack Japan is apparent, with naval, military and aerial forces moving rapidly into the Japanese theatre of operations.

The probability is that the United States now has naval and aerial superiority over Japan and sufficient soldiers for the tasks which lie immediately ahead.

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BOALSBURG

Mrs. Margaret Kuhn visited her niece, Mrs. Charles Ross at Linden Hall, from Thursday until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sweeney and son of Centre Hall, spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Houtz.

Hamill Kline of Lemont, spent Saturday with his mother, Mrs. W. E. Kline.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Ross, Jr. and son of Allentown, visited the Charles Ross family Monday evening.

Staff-Sgt. Harold Klinger of Camp Chaffee, Ark., is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gladfelter.

Mrs. Emma Young spent the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. P. W. Knepp at Millbrook.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Havner of New York City, are spending several days at the George Musser home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Wert and children of Bellefonte, R. D., spent the weekend at the L. W. Whitehead home.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mothersbaugh and family were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Mothersbaugh, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gearhart and sons spent Sunday evening with relatives at Pine Grove Mills.

Leiby-Smith; Hosman P. Leiby and Mrs. Meien B. Smith, both of Mansfield, were married at the First Methodist church at Elmira, N. Y., Monday, June 28 at 4 p. m., by the Rev. Benjamin Rowe. The ring service was used. Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Johnson, brother-in-law and sister of the bride of Horsehead, N. Y., were their attendants. Several relatives and friends were present. Later a dinner was served to the wedding party at the Candle Light Tea Room.

Mr. Leiby is a former resident of State College, having lived on the Penn State dairy farm. He is now employed at the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association plant. They will be at home to their friends after July 4th at Pleasant View farm, Mansfield, R. D. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Reed of Johnstown, visited at the Harry Bailey home Saturday afternoon.

Henry Dale of Milltown, was a recent visitor at the Dale-McGirk home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Hess and daughter and Mrs. E. W. Hess and Joseph Jarrett spent Sunday with Edgar Hess family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Goben and two children came here from Chicago to spend the summer with relatives.

Joseph Jarrett of Altoona, is visiting with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hess.

Mrs. Warren Johnson of Nottingham, and Miss Helen Ross of Philadelphia, spent the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross.

Harry Stitt of Altoona, spent last week with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Fisher and daughter of State College, and Mrs. W. H. Stover of Boalsburg, were dinner guests at the Fisher home on Sunday.

Sgt. Robert Ross of Camp Dix, N. J., was a recent visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross.

T. B. Segner of Baltimore, and Mrs. Segner and children and Mrs. Harry E. Kline of State College, spent Sunday evening at the Charles Segner home.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Lutheran church met Thursday evening in the church. The members present were: Mrs. D. B. Thomas, Mrs. E. W. Hess, Mrs. Donald Raup and Misses Anna Dale, Anna Sweeney and Cathryn Dale.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gearhart of Pine Grove Mills, visited at the Hess-Thompson homes, Monday.

Miss Ruth Ross, a student nurse at Gessinger Hospital, Danville, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ross.

Additional Deaths

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O. Keller, of Pittsburgh. Also surviving are five grandchildren: Anne, Bob, Betty Tish, and Marguerite Keller, of Pittsburgh, and Sally Shoemaker, of Bellefonte. Mrs. Stevenson was a member of the Methodist church. Funeral services were held at the Koch Funeral Home, State College, Saturday afternoon, with Rev. W. E. Watkins, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist church, officiating. Interment was made in Centre County Memorial Park, near Shiloh church.

RALPH MILLER

Ralph Miller, son of Robert and Ida Miller, of Buffalo, N. Y., former resident of Bellefonte, died June 19 at Buffalo, of a heart condition. He was 39 years old and was born in Bellefonte November 4, 1903. Survivors include his wife and two children and parents, now residing in Buffalo. Funeral services were held June 22 and interment was made in Tonawanda, N. Y. Mr. Miller for about 20 years had been an employe of the Sun Oil Company at Buffalo. The Miller family left Bellefonte more than 25 years ago, locating in Buffalo.

MRS. GEORGE W. ZEIGLER

Mrs. Gertrude Stuart Zeigler, widow of George W. Zeigler, former Phillipsburg attorney, died Sunday afternoon at Miss Dennison's Convalescent Home at Villa Nova. Prior to her removal there she had been at the Phillipsburg State Hospital, and for a time was cared for at her family home. Mrs. Zeigler suffered a broken hip at her home last August, rendering her helpless since that time. A native of Sinking Valley, Mrs. Zeigler was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Stuart. Her only survivors are four cousins. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon in St. Paul's Episcopal church, Phillipsburg, with Father F. W. Lickfield officiating.

JOHN HENRY LONG

John Henry Long died at his home near Millroy, Thursday morning, July 1, 1943, at 3:30 o'clock, following a heart attack, aged 39 years, 5 months and 17 days. He was an employe of Standard Steel Works Division for the past 15 years and had completed his night's work prior to his death. In addition to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Long, who reside in Millroy, he is survived by his wife, the former Sarah Moyer, and by four daughters: Thelma, 13 years; Phyllis, 11 years; Shirley, 4 years; Judith, 11 months; also by one sister, Mrs. Harry (Verdola) Paize, Millroy. He was a member of the Millroy Fire Company and of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Millroy, being received into the church at the age of 14. Mr. Long was a hunter of note. Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon, in charge of his pastor, Rev. Charles A. Lantz. Burial was made in Woodlawn cemetery, Millroy.

MRS. MARY ELLEN MILLER

Mrs. Mary Ellen Miller, of Bellefonte, died at 12:55 p. m. Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Rockey, on North Second street, of complications resulting from a fractured leg, suffered June 19 when she fell in the hall of Cridler's Exchange building, where she lived. She had been at the Rockey home since the accident. Deceased was a daughter of William and Marie Miller Kilsore and was born at Pennsylvania Furnace on September 20, 1855, making her age at time of death 87 years, 8 months and 13 days. Her husband, William T. Miller, died some time ago. Surviving children are John H., of State College; William H., of Canton, O.; Mrs. Charles Rockey, Clair Miller and Mrs. Edward Hartman, all of Bellefonte. Other survivors include 17 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. She was a member of the Methodist church. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Rockey home, with Rev. H. C. Stenger, Jr., pastor of the Methodist church, officiating. Rev. C. C. Shuey of Bellefonte, assisted. Interment was made in the Sunnyside cemetery, Bellefonte.

County Observes Quietest Fourth

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streets were so-called Victory Sirens, a friendly masterpiece of paraffin whose chief claim to fame seems to be that when you're through blowing the whistles you can chew the whole sweetened creation. Youngsters in droves bought the sirens and toothed them incessantly.

The holiday weekend was almost free of accidents. Lois Hook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hook, of Bellefonte, R. D. 1, was treated at the Centre County Hospital dispensary for a laceration of the neck suffered when she fell on a milk bottle, and on Saturday Arthur Houck, Jr., of East Bishop street, was treated for a laceration of the back received while swimming at a making pool. There weren't any victims mangled by auto accidents or maimed by fireworks explosions.

No motor accidents were reported at the Pleasant Gap sub-station of the State Motor Police, and the Rockview sub-station also found the holiday an unusually quiet and orderly one.

Enters Marines

Edward James Allen, son of Mrs. Alice C. Allen, of East College avenue, State College, has enlisted in the Merchant Marine and is now stationed at Hoffman Island, N. Y. He attended State College High School, was employed at Rea and Derick's Drug store, State College, and, before entering the Marines, worked at the Bellefonte Airport under C. W. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drees and children of Niagara Falls, spent the weekend with home folks.

Prayer meeting was held at the Orvis Watson home on Sunday evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Rachau and son, Orvis Sholl of Milesburg, Fred Watson of Ohio, June Johnson, Olive Rhoads and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hicks and family.

Mrs. Roy Leathers called at the Harry Lucas home in Moose Run recently.

Marjorie Johnson spent the weekend with relatives at Gum Stump.

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Mrs. Frank Johnson of Runville, Minnie and Vera Reese of Gum Stump, spent Monday at the Lee Johnson home.

Random Items

AUTO STAMP:

Seems to us the Auto Use Stamp tax is a mighty sloppy one. You go to the postoffice, pay \$5, get a stamp, and paste it on the windshield of your car, with or without filling in spaces provided for your motor number and license number. The postoffice keeps no record whatever that you've bought a stamp. If you pay cash, you have absolutely no proof that you've bought one, except the stamp. And if you don't fill in the blanks on the stamp with good ink, anyone can soak it off the windshield and appropriate it for his own purposes. There's absolutely no way for you to prove you bought a stamp, and yet you're liable to a fine of \$25 if you don't have one. So we suggest, if you haven't bought your stamp, and if you pay cash when you buy it, that you ask for a receipt from the postal clerk who sells it to you and that you fill in the blank spaces provided on the stamp for the make, model, engine number and license number. If you haven't bought your stamp yet, you'd better get going, for the deadline was June 30 at midnight.

POETIC JUSTICE:

Friend James Weaver, who many months ago and to his vast credit, signed the pledge to abstain from alcoholic beverages, has been plagued by a local man who has been trying to get him to break the pledge. Last week, when the man again approached Jim to "have a little drink," Jim agreed that a little matter like a place where no one would see them. So they went to a taproom, got a booth way back in the corner, and the man was to pay the bill. Jim ordered a drink of 40-cent whiskey. The man ordered a drink of 15-cent stuff. The man quaffed his drink and prepared to enjoy watching Jim fall off the wagon. Jim raised the glass, swayed it slowly under his nose several times to enjoy the aroma, then suddenly reached out and dumped the 40-cent whiskey in a cuspidor. "Now, do you want to buy me another drink?" Jim asked.

MOCCASINS:

In order for men overseas to get

specific articles from home, they must write such requests to friends or relatives and the letters must be presented at the postoffice when the articles are mailed. Last week, a Bellefonte woman appeared at the postoffice with a letter from her son in North Africa asking for a pair of moccasins, and mailed a box which she declared contained the moccasins and some other little items. The postal clerk stamped the letter so that no other parcels could be sent on the strength of the request it contained, and the woman departed. In the course of an hour, Postmaster George R. Meek got an excited telephone call from the woman. "I just mailed a box my son requested," the woman said, adding, "but I forgot to put in the moccasins he asked for." The postmaster could do nothing about it, for the "request" to all intents and purposes, had been filled and no additional parcels could be sent. So the soldier overseas will have to write another letter asking for moccasins from home.

and ash collection system. This corner is housing an increasing number of complaints, but it takes a considerable weight of them to penetrate the walls of Bellefonte's Council chamber. Advantages of a municipal system would be better control of collection, dumping, and handling, and almost certain reduction in ash and garbage removal costs to citizens. Of prime importance however, is that a municipal system would operate without the duplication of service now given by three or more private agencies.

Trained in Florida

Pfc. Robert Faust, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Faust, of Centre Hall, a mechanic in the Air Forces at Kerns, Utah, was transferred there three weeks ago from Miami, Fla., where he had taken a 19 weeks' course in his line of work. He received his basic training in Miami Beach.

FALSE TEETH

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Brakman Injured in Fall Homer Compton, a Pittsburgh division brakeman of the Pennsylvania railroad was seriously injured at the Twelfth street bridge, Altoona, last Wednesday night about 11:40 o'clock. His home is in Kentucky but he was rooming in Conaway, Pa. He was riding a freight train down the east slope of the Allegheny mountain and apparently did not notice the bridge and was knocked down between the cars. His condition at the Altoona hospital is reported as serious, suffering from a possible fracture of the skull.

The baseball season will soon be with us and, we suppose, the national pastime will maintain its hold upon the public.

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