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 A HEAVY BOMBER
 cruising at a speed of 250
 m.p.h. may use 200 gal-
 lons of gasoline an hour.

The Centre Democrat

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 An Army Trans-
 port burns 33,000
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191 Men Called for Physical Exams

138 Fathers in First Group to Enter New "Draft Pool" From Board No. 2. Will Be Called for Induction in 21 to 45 Days

A total of 138 fathers and 53 non-fathers from the area served by Centre County Draft Board No. 2 of Bellefonte, will go to Altoona on Saturday, February 12, for physical examinations for military service, under the provisions of the new Selective Service regulation banning the former preliminary physical examination, and setting up a pool of available men for future draft calls.

Missing in Action



Sergeant Robert L. Clink, a telegram from the War Department received last Wednesday by Mrs. Pearl M. Clink, of Snow Shoe, announced the reported missing in action of her husband, Sergeant Robert L. Clink. While details were lacking, the message stated that Sgt. Clink, an aerial gunner on a B-17 bomber, had not been heard from since his last bombing mission over France.

The last word Mrs. Clink had received from her husband was on January 26, when an air letter to her stated that he had taken part in bombing the German city of Bremen.

Ordered to Appear Here for Sentence

In an opinion filed this week Judge Ivan Walker dismissed a motion by Carl E. Markle for an arrest of judgment and directed Markle to appear in court here at 10 o'clock Monday morning, February 7, for sentencing.

Markle was arrested on a charge of making a false statement when he applied for a learner's permit, in that he made affidavit this his operator's license had never been suspended or revoked.

He was found guilty by a Justice of the Peace, but appealed to the court. The court, after a hearing, upheld the Justice's decision. Markle then asked for an arrest of judgment on the grounds that the action was unconstitutional.

She's in the WAVES



Seaman 2/c Jane Griest Wright, daughter of Mrs. Mary Griest Wright, of 37 East Linn street, Bellefonte, has completed her basic training and is undergoing advanced training at the Naval Training School (WR) Bronx, New York, and has received orders to report for further instruction at the Naval Training School, Iowa State Teachers College, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

LARGE THROG AT FUNERAL OF CRASH VICTIM

296 Cars in Procession on Trip From Blanchard to Hublersburg

FULL MILITARY HONORS AT GRAVE

Church Filled to Capacity; Special Truck Required For Flowers

The funeral of Cadet Guy M. Heckman, 29, of Blanchard, native of Hublersburg, who died in a plane crash at Twenty-nine Palms, California, on January 21, held Sunday afternoon, was one of the largest funerals in the history of lower Bald Eagle Valley and Nittany Valley.

A total of 296 cars were in the procession, which moved from the home of the cadet's wife in Blanchard, to the Hublersburg Reformed church where services were conducted. Both first and second floors of the church were crowded to capacity and scores of persons were unable to get inside. All available seats in the church were occupied, though more than 100 extra chairs had been provided for the service.

Married in 'Chapel of The Sunset'



Pfc. Millard C. Benton and his bride. Standing before the altar in the Spokane Army Air Field's "Chapel of the Sunset" where they were married recently, are Pfc. Millard C. Benton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benion of Pine Glen, Centre County, and his bride, the former Miss Clara Standish, of Boise, Idaho. After the ceremony a reception was held for the couple in Spokane, Washington. Pfc. Benton is on duty at the Spokane Air Field in the Provost Marshal section.

TRUCK PUSHES SEDAN THROUGH WINGATE STORE

Damage \$1100 in Latest Assault on Building at Intersection

RECKLESS DRIVING CHARGE IS LODGED

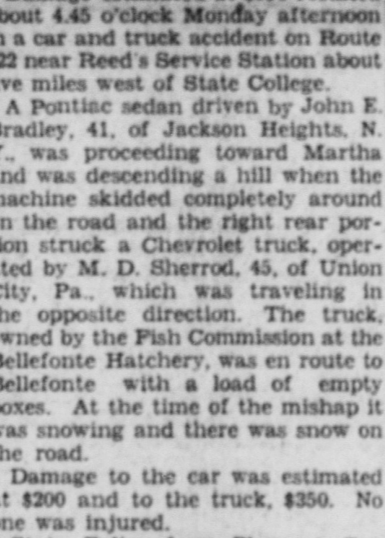
Truck Driver Claims He Veered Off Road to Avert Collision

A large tractor and semi-trailer outfit, which for some reason strayed to the left of the road while passing through Wingate about 4:45 o'clock Monday afternoon, rammed into the rear of a parked car in front of the little building housing the Maud Robb general store and postoffice, and forced the car through the front of the building.

The damage, as estimated by State Police at Pleasant Gap sub-station, was as follows: to the truck, \$800; to the car, \$400, and to the store, \$200, or a total of \$1400. No one was injured.

The building, veteran of at least four previous onslaughts by cars and trucks, is located directly opposite the point where the road from Snow Shoe joins the Bald Eagle Valley highway. Usually, in past accidents at the site, vehicles coming from the direction of Snow Shoe failed to stop in time and ran into the store. The worst of these accidents happened about five years ago when a heavily loaded coal truck ran clear through the building and was half-way through the back wall when it finally came to a halt.

Honored at Party



Hilda L. "Rose" Haupt, thirty-nine years of service as a valued employee of the Bell Telephone Company, was honored at a testimonial dinner given in her honor Friday night at the Penn Belle Hotel here by the telephone employees of Centre County.

Ray Noll Re-Elected Head of Whiterock

Ray G. Noll of Pleasant Gap was re-elected president and general manager of Whiterock Quarries at the annual meeting of the company last week.

Brockerhoff's Honored at Dinner, Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Brockerhoff, of Bellefonte, who were married in Harrisburg several weeks ago, were guests of honor at a reception and dinner held by a group of friends at the Brockerhoff Hotel, Tuesday night. Approximately 50 persons were present.

Two British Tars Reach Journey's End in Bellefonte

Two members of the British Royal Navy who got an urge to see the United States while they were temporarily stationed at Asbury Park, N. J., came to journey's end in Bellefonte on Friday.

Arriving here fundless, the two sailors appealed to a local organization for money, but officials of the organization, suspecting they might be A. W. O. L., called Asbury Park to determine whether it would be all right to provide the money.

"Just hold them! We'll be there to escort them back personally," came the answer from His Majesty's Fleet officials.

So the sailors were taken to the county jail where Sheriff Jerry Galda provided for their needs until Sunday when five members of the British Royal Navy from Asbury Park arrived here to conduct the men back to their duties aboard ship. Their names at the jail were listed as William H. Hopper and James Cornish. One of them is said to have survived the sinking of three ships.

STATE COLLEGE FLIER KILLED

Ens. E. H. Fletcher Dies When Dive Bomber Plunges Into Sea

Ensign Emmett H. Fletcher USNR, 22, youngest son of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Fletcher, of West Fairmount avenue, State College, was killed in action on Saturday, January 22, according to a Navy Department announcement received by the young man's parents.

Ensign Fletcher, pilot of a dive bomber based on an airplane carrier, crashed into the sea and sank immediately. His body was not recovered.

He is survived by his wife, the former Beatrice Mensch of Milton; his parents; a sister, Mrs. Paul W. Peterson, of Erie; and five brothers, Robert, a civilian tank instructor at Ft. Normandy, San Antonio, Tex.; Richard, an Army captain on overseas duty; Steve, instructor in mathematics at George School; Peter, Navy ensign, temporarily stationed at Norfolk, Va.; and John, a Navy lieutenant now serving in the Pacific area.

FREE BOND MOVIE SCHEDULED HERE

Purchase of Bond Entitles Buyer to Attend Showing of "Madame Curie"

Arrangements were completed over the weekend for a gala War Bond Premiere at the Plaza theatre, Bellefonte, for 9 p. m., Sunday, February 13. A special program has been arranged for the big event which will include the showing of "Madame Curie," the outstanding motion picture which is now in its eighth triumphant week at New York's Radio City Music Hall.

Pencil Pierces Eye of B. H. S. Student

Budd Cronmiller, 18, son of Carl Cronmiller, of the Penn Belle Hotel, a member of the Junior class at the Bellefonte High School, suffered a laceration of the right eyeball Friday morning in an accident at school.

Beaver is Named County Chairman

Thomas B. Beaver, of Bellefonte, was elected chairman of the Centre County Republican Committee at a meeting and luncheon held last Thursday night at the Penn Belle Hotel.

Former Martha Youth Missing in Action

Jack Nason, radioman in the Air Corps stationed in the South Pacific, is reported to be missing in action, according to word received by his relatives in the Martha vicinity.

Nason, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Nason, of Phillipsburg, formerly of Martha, entered the service in November 1942. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Williams, of Martha.

MARCH OF DIMES NETS \$690 HERE

Theatre Collections Total \$491.18; Other Agencies Report \$199.77

Receipts from the "March of Dimes" campaign held in Bellefonte in conjunction with the drive for funds for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, totaled \$690.96, according to preliminary reports yesterday.

Of the total, \$491.18 was collected in the Plaza and State theatres, Fred Fisher, manager, said. The remaining \$199.77 came from the activities of which Mrs. Wallace J. Wertz was chairman.

The theatre collections, held last week, are approximately two-and-a-half times larger than similar collections in 1943. Mr. Fisher declared, according to preliminary reports, that the collections were made by a group of Boy Scouts, who passed through audiences at each performance when that establishment was open here. As an incentive to them Mr. Fisher had an arrangement whereby for each dollar bill appearing in the receipts taken up by the Scouts they would receive one free movie ticket. As a result, Mr. Fisher issued a total of 48 free tickets to the Scouts.

Stewart Purchases Jersey Shore Store

Clyde M. Stewart, who recently resigned as manager of the Wolf Furniture Company store in Bellefonte, has purchased the Ralph Tubbs furniture store in Jersey Shore and took charge of that business February 1.

Mr. Stewart came to Bellefonte in 1929 as first manager of the Wolf store when that establishment was opened here. He had been in charge continuously until his recent resignation, and had been employed by the Wolf Furniture Company continuously for 18 years. During his residence in Bellefonte he has been active in many civic, fraternal and church organizations. He served as chairman of the Retail Division of the Chamber of Commerce, is a director of the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club, is district chairman of the Boy Scouts, and has been active in IOOF work.

Mr. Stewart, who some years ago purchased a home on East Linn street, expects to continue his residence here.

Findings of Local Court Are Affirmed

A Centre County Court decision in the case of Polydorus Baroutas vs. Gregory Brothers, of State College, has been upheld by the State Superior Court.

The case, based on a dispute over the boundary line of properties owned by the litigants, was tried here before Judge Walter Smith, Clearfield County, who presided specially because Centre County Judge Ivan Walker had a previous interest in the matter. Judge Smith ruled in favor of Gregory Brothers, and the plaintiff appealed to the Superior Court. That Court affirmed the finding of the local court.

County Bond Sales Only 25% of Quota

Total Bond Sales \$507,800—Quota \$1,943,000; Bellefonte Far Below Record in Previous Drives; School Campaign Opens.

With only 12 days of the 4th War Loan Drive remaining, Centre county citizens have purchased only 25 per cent of the quota assigned.

This gloomy picture was drawn yesterday from official reports covering sales in the county from the beginning of the drive on January 18, through Saturday, January 28. The reports were received from Washington by Claude G. Aikens, of State College, chairman of the War Finance Committee, and Mahlon K. Robb, of Bellefonte, chairman of the county banking and investment committee.

Bellefonte, which in former War Loan campaigns has been one of the leading purchasers in the county, is far behind its usual pace, so far only about 30 per cent of the quota has been sold.

Of Centre county's total quota of \$1,943,000, only \$507,800 has been sold. Of the total quota, \$1,286,700 was earmarked for sales to individuals, as separated from sales to corporations, clubs and other large purchasers. Individuals to date have purchased only \$322,300 of the \$1,286,700 assigned to them.

Bellefonte's total quota is \$699,825 and sales up to and including January 28 were only \$218,119.25. Of the total of \$321,825 earmarked for individuals, only about \$168,000 has been sold.

Bellefonte High School students launched a War Bond campaign at a special assembly yesterday morning when the school goal was set at \$50,000. In the 3rd War Loan drive students sold \$42,000 in bonds.

At the assembly, three motion pictures were shown, and home rooms were grouped to compete with each other in the sale of bonds. Prizes are to be given the students selling the most bonds and the campaign will close February 15 with a dance.

New Wolf Manager



The Wolf Furniture Company announces the appointment of Eugene Beckwith as manager of the Bellefonte store.

Mr. Beckwith has been with the Wolf Furniture Company for many years, recently as assistant manager of the local store. His faithful service and ability has played a major part in selecting him for this important post, Herbert T. Wolf stated.

Mr. Beckwith is thoroughly trained in the furniture business and well equipped to assist homemakers in choosing the correct furnishings for their home.

Bellefonte is one of the leading establishments in the Wolf chain of eleven furniture stores throughout Pennsylvania and Maryland. "Customers of Wolf's may rest assured that in the future as in the past, this store will live up to its reputation of supplying the best in home furnishings at the lowest possible prices." Mr. Wolf declared in announcing Beckwith's appointment.

This newspaper joins with the community in wishing success to Mr. Beckwith in his new position as manager of the Wolf Furniture Company store.

ALAN KATZ TO MANAGE STORE

Grandson of Founder of Local Business to Move Family Here

The Katz Store, one of Bellefonte's oldest and best known business houses, will mark a new era in its history this month when the present owners, Blanche Poorman and Nell Flack, turn over the management to Alan Katz, of Philadelphia, grandson of the founder of the store.

The change in management will be highlighted by a store-wide clearance sale beginning this weekend. When the new manager takes charge about February 15, an entire new stock of merchandise will be on hand. Miss Poorman and Miss Flack will continue in the store after Mr. Katz takes charge.

The original Katz store was opened about 60 years ago by Aaron Katz and when he retired it was taken over by his son, the late William S. Katz, who successfully conducted the business until his retirement in 1929, when the Misses Poorman and Flack assumed control. William Katz and family at that time moved to Atlantic City.

Voters Purge Ends; Registration Open

The Registration Board at the Court House announces that any persons throughout the county who have not returned their re-instatement cards will have to appear at the office in the Court House and re-register as the annual purge has now been closed.

All those who have not voted in the past two years and have not returned their re-instatement cards have been taken from the various district registers and they will be unable to vote at the next election. April 25. Cards no longer can be honored. Citizens are required to appear at the office in person for the purpose of registering.

Catholic Church To Hold Bazaar

The annual pre-lenten bazaar of St. John's Catholic church will be held at the school hall, East Bishop street, February 17, 18 and 19.

As in former years there will be decorated booths in which fancy work, cakes, candies, and groceries will be sold. Committee chairman are: Stephen Knapp, buildings and bazaar; Miss Agnes Shields, fancy work; Mrs. Rose Pearl, cakes, and Mrs. Mary Ellen Cunningham, candy.

Quigley Agency New Manager of

Captain Hugh M. Quigley, who is occupational classification officer for the Indiana State Selective Service with headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind., returned to his duties there yesterday after having spent several days in Bellefonte attending to business matters here.

Captain Quigley announced that Miss Mary Rankin, who has been attorney-in-fact and manager of the Hugh M. Quigley insurance business since his enlistment in the service, has withdrawn from that position in order to give full time to her own insurance agency, Miss Mary Irvine, for some years employed in the Quigley office, is now in full charge there.

The Quigley home on East Curtin street has been opened and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lightner and family, of Ridgway, will move into the home Friday of this week, expecting to remain there for the remainder of the winter, after which time they will occupy the Dorworth home on West Linn street.

Mrs. Quigley and children, who for some time have been with Captain Quigley in Indianapolis, expect to return to Bellefonte in June to re-occupy the family home.

Wounded In Action

Cpl. Walter J. Bradley, 29, of Snow Shoe, last week received word that his son, Cpl. Bradley, had been wounded in action while fighting in New Guinea.

Mr. Bradley wrote: "Dear Mom: Well, I'm recuperating in a hospital here. Got a piece of your old store in my leg, but don't worry, I'll soon be hiking again."

In December the soldier's parents received word that another son, Pfc. Richard Bradley, had been injured in an air raid in England and was recuperating in an English hospital.

Cpl. Walter Bradley was born in Nelson City, Utah, and was graduated from the Phillips, West Virginia, High School. He served three years in foreign service before the war, his enlistment expiring in 1938. He re-entered the service on June 9, 1941, and was stationed at Camp Wallace, Texas, and in California before being sent to Australia. Prior to being re-called to duty, Cpl. Bradley was employed in the Clarence brick yard.

Fire at College

An electric range in the kitchen of the W. J. Jones home on East Beaver avenue, State College, was somewhat damaged about 3:45 o'clock last Tuesday afternoon when a grease pan under the stove ignited. Members of the Alpha Fire Company were called out to extinguish the blaze.