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Germans Penned 2,000 NEVIN SMITH HONORED **ON 25TH ANNIVERSARY Civilians in Monastery**

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Monday and the Allies had prom- or of their silver wedding anniverised bombardment next morning), sary. The party, a surprise, was Don Gregorio, the abbot, called in planned by their daughter, Mrs. the captain and a sergeant. He William Cox. pointed out the warning in the Am-

thing be done to prevent the slaughter of the civilians.

The captain said he would reply in Bellefonte February 11, 1919. Mr. at 5 the next morning. That night Smith has been employed as a die Don Gregorio held a special mass. maker by the Titan Metal Company He offered a very long prayer of for the past 24 years.

monastery so far and invoked His lowing children: protection for the civilians.

dred of us were pressing against the Germans to answer. "The Germans had placed another

machine gun before the gate. That seas. was the only answer Don Gregorio the anniversary celebration: Mr ever got.'

Pilots Unaware of Tragedy

At 9:30 a. m. the first wave of Corman, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Fortresses came over and began cas- Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence cading destruction upon the ancient Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar walls, some of them relics of the Wagner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles 15th century. The American pilots Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Christy Smith, had no way of knowing the warning Sr., and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Forhad been nullified by the Nazis and ster, all of Bellefonte; Mr. and Mrs. that hundreds of helpless men, Malcolm Wetzler, of Milesburg; Mr. women and civilians, the abbot and and Mrs. Willard Eminhizer, of his priests, were imprisoned inside Coleville; Miss Christine Smith, Mr. the target.

dreds of Mario's neighbors had tak-

en refuge The Germans fled their machine guns when the first salvo exploded. The panic-stricken refugees burst the gate and streamed down the hillside screaming. Before Mario's sister, Antoinetta, 15. picked up her 3-year-old sister, Maria, and ran, she saw three priests lying dead in the courtyard and Don Gregorio "in extreme agony."

"I think perhaps he was dying," she said.

Mario and his group were 25 yards from the gate when the second salvo burst. The people scattered into caves, groveling in terror, and lay there screaming and moaning for two hours while wave on wave of planes dropped their bombs with methodical precision.

When the last formation droned into the distance, the survivors crept down the mountain through the white dust of pulverized rocks. Marto's group found a couple of American mule skinners in the hills north of Cassino, who brought them to

safety Neither Mario nor any of the survivors with whom I talked later had any word of criticism of the Allies for making the attack. For the Germans they had nothing but curses.

Hundreds Fled to Monastery

Mario and his family had been in the monastery for 15 days. They said hundreds of residents of the Cassino area trudged up the mountain to the monastery, believing that once they were inside the "neutral zone" they would be safe from war's hor-

Mr. and Mrs. Nevin R. Smith of Bellefonte, were guests of honor at recent party at their home in hon-

Nevin R. Smith, son of Mr. and erican leaflet and begged that some- Mrs. Christie Smith of Bellefonte, and Nellie Miller, daughter of James

E E Hubler, auct.

and Stover, aucts.

Smith, auct.

Miller of the Forge, were married

thanks to God for having saved the They are the parents of the fol-

"The next morning several hun-"The next morning several hun-peggy and George Smith, all at dred of us were pressing against the nome. They have two grandchildren. gate before dawn awaiting for the Mrs. Cox's husband, Capt. Cox, is serving with the armed forces over-

> The following persons attended and Mrs. B. A. Doll, Mr. and Mrs.

Clair Deitrick, Mr. and Mrs. Grover son Walker, attorney.

and Mrs. Fred Yorks, Mrs. Christy Mario and his family scurried Smith, Jr., all of Bellefonte; James under the "royal entrance," a stout Miller, Mrs. Mildred Hines and Mrs. arch over the main gete. One bomb Margaret Daughenbaugh, all of the from the first wave shattered the Forge. The guests of honor were predome of the abbey and exploded in sented with gifts and cards were the second basement where hun- played. Refreshments were served.



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and household goods. Sale at 12 o'clock noon sharp. E. E. Hubler, 46-t1 auct. MONDAY, MARCH 6-Gardner Long Will offer at public sale on his farm about 4 miles south of Cen-tre Hall, or 1 mile west of Centre Hill, a full line of farm stock and implements. This is a clean-up

male. Sale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8-A. E. Whit-

myer will offer at public sale on the John Confer farm, one mile west of Woodward, livestock and farming implements. This is a cléan-up sale and will begin at 10 a. m. Mayes & Stover, aucts.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8-Roy Zim-merman will offer at public sale on his farm, 21/2 miles southeast of Bellefonte, near Aviation field. auct TUESDAY, MARCH 14-C. W. Bart-ley will offer at public sale on his farm, six miles east of Bellefonte. livestock and farm implements. Sale at 10 a.m. E. E. Hubler, auct.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT, BELLEFONTE, PA.

stock, farm implements and some household goods. Sale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 - Storch Brothers will offer at public sale on their farm, one-half mile west of State College, Pa., known as the Snyder farm, livestock, farm

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 - Joseph WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15 — Joseph H. Owens will offer at public sale on his farm about four miles east of Pleasant Gap, near the Bellefonte airport, a full line of livestock, farm implemente and household goods. Sale starts promptly at 9 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct. implements and household goods. Sale at 9 a. m. Clean-up sale. E. M. Smith, auct. Gene Lee, clerk. THURSDAY, MARCH 9-Edith Car per will offer at public sale at the school house at Linden Hall, Pa. a complete line of household goods Sale at 12 noon. Ray Carper, auct

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15-Harry I. THURSDAY, MARCH 9 - R. Fred Nixon will offer at public sale on Hoy will offer at public sale on his farm, 8 miles east of Bellefonte, hl_8 farm $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Mackey-ville, livestock, farm implements and some household goods. This is a clean-up sale. Sale at 10 a.m. along the Jacksonville road, live-stock, farm implements and some household goods. Sale at 10 a. m. E. E. Hubler, auct. x46 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15-J. H. MC-

Cracken will offer at public sale on his farm, 3½ miles west of Pine Grove Mills, along the State High-way, a full line of livestock and farm implements. Sale at 10 a. m. H. L. Harpster, auct. THURSDAY, MARCH 9 - Clyde 1. Struble will offer at public sale on his farm luocated about one mile east of Lemont, along the road leading to Bellefonte, near Rock-view penitentiary lands, a full line of livestock and farming imple-

HURSDAY, MARCH 16-F. L. Walk ments. This is a clean-up sale and will begin at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, er will offer at public sale on the D. S. Wert farm, 3 miles east of Aaronsburg, livestock, farming im-plements and some bousehold FRIDAY, MARCH 10-Christ Beezer plements and some nousehold goods. This is a clean-up sale. Sale at 10 a. m. Mayes & Stover, aucts. will offer at public sale on his farm at Roopsburg, near Belle-fonte, livestock and farm imple-ments. Sale at 10:30 a. m. Mayes THURSDAY, MARCH 16 - Charles Bohn will offer at public sale on the Henszey farm at State College, FRIDAY, MARCH 10 - S. Hunte.

full ine of livestock and farm implements. Sale at 10 a. m. Lunch will be served by some organiza-tion. Terms cash. This is a clean-up sale. E. M. Smith, auct. Thomas, executor, will offer at public sale on Maple street, How-ard, Pa., a full line of household goods, the property of the late Corrilla Thomas. Sale at 12 noon. Wise & Hubler, aucts. W. Harri-son Walker attorney THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, MARCH 16 and 17, J. B. Strunk will offer at public sale on his farm known

at public sale on his farm known as the Strunk homestead, located $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of Mill Hall, live-stock, a full line of farm machin-ery and household goods. A com-plete list of items will be publish-ed later. Sale starts at 9 a.m. each day. This is a chean-up sale. E. E. Hubler, auct. 40tf FRIDAY, MARCH 10-Kooney Nale offer at public sale on the the ward, Pa., livestock and farm implements. Clean-up sale. Bale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct. CANCELLED — The public sale of Lewis G. Ream scheduled for Sat-Hubler, auct. 40tf FRIDAY, MARCH 17-John G. Miller urday, March 11, has been cancellwill offer at public sale at his farm, one-fourth mile east of Pine SATURDAY, MARCH 11 - Samuel Grove Mills, a full line of livestock

Poorman will offer at public sale and farm implements. Sale a. m. H. L. Harpster, auct. at his farm located two miles north of Howard, livestock and farm implements. This is a clean-up sale. Sale at 12 noon. Roy Oyler, auct. FRIDAY, MARCH 17-Willis E. Breon will offer at public sale on the Corman farm, 2½ miles east of Spring Mills along the Penn's Creek road, a full line of farm stock, including 40 head of cattle. SATURDAY, MARCH 11-R. Edwin Tussey will offer at public sale at Boalsburg, Pa., a full line of household goods. Mayes & Stover,

implements and some household goods. Sale at 9 a. m. Lunch will be served by some organization. This is a clean-up sale. E. M. SATURDAY, MARCH 11 - Edward Houtz will offer at public sale on the Kerstetter farm in Buffalo Run Smith, auct. Valley, livestock and farm imple-ments. Sale at 10:30 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct.

ATURDAY. MARCH 18 - George Bright will offer at public sale at his farm in Asronsburg, a com-plete line of farm implements and household goods. Some livestock Sale at 9:30 a. m. E. E. Hubler,

MONDAY, MARCH 13-George Moth-ersbaugh will offer at public sale at his farm, one-fourth mile east of Boalsburg, livestock and farm implements. Sale at 10:30. E. M. nuct SATURDAY, MARCH 18-Earl White will offer at public sale on the Henry White farm, near Penn's Cave, a lot of livestock, some ma-chinery and some household goods. Sale at 12 o'clock noon. Terms TUESDAY, MARCH 14-C. E. Beck will offer at public sale on his farm at Warriors Mark, Pa., live-stock consisting of his Guernsey dairy herd, and farm implementa. Sale at 10 a. m. H. L. Harpster, cash. E. M. Smith, auct.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24 — John C. Orndorf will offer at public sale on the Mrs. Ids Stover farm, 2½ miles southwest of Millheim, on Paradise road, livestock and farm implements. Clean-up sale. At the same time and place there will also be offered for sale, 21 acres of farm land located in Haines town-ahin, 1% miles west of Woodward. ATURDAY, MARCH 18-R. E. Irvin will offer at public sale on the Ben Everhart farm, 2 miles east of Franklinville or 3 miles east of Spruce Creek, 10 head of horses; 20 milk cows; 20 heifers; 2 stock at his fi Spearly will offer at public sale at his farm in Buffalo Run Valley, along the Jacksonville road, live-

bulls; 40 head of hogs; 15 brood sows; 20 head of sheep; also farm implements. Sale at 10 a.m. h livestock and farming implements Bale at 10 a. m. E. M& Bmith, SATURDAY, MARCH 25 - Brown

Hackett will offer at public sale on the Alexander farm at Old Fort, Centre Hall, a full line of livestock and farming implements and some household goods. This is a clean-up sale beginning at 10 a.m. Terms of sale cash. E. M. Smith, auct. TURDAY, MARCH 25- Mary M. Rankin will offer at public sale at her residence, 155 East Curts street. Bellafonte, full line of household goods. Sale at 12:30 noon sharp. Mayes & Stover, aucts. P. M. Dubbs, clerk.

and will offer at public sale on his farm, on Route 45, between Pine Grove Mills and Spruce Creek, at Graysville, a full line of farm stock and implements, including 4 hors-ATURDAY, MARCH 25-W. C. Wit-mer, attorney in fact, will offer at public sale on the former W. W. Witmer farm, between Hunter's Park and Fillmore, in Buffalo Run Valley, livestock and farm imple-ments. This is a clean-up sale. Sale at 10 o'clock. E. E. Hubler, MONDAY, MARCH 27 --- Mrs. Budd

plements. Sale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith auct

will offer at public sale on his farm in Mill Creek, Huntingdor county, a full line of livestock and farm implements. An exceptional lot of cattle. Sale at 9:30 a. m. Terms cash. E. M. Smith, auct. McCormick will offer at public sale on the John and Anna McCoy farm, at Potters Mills, livestock and farm implements. Clean-up sale. Sale at 9 a. m. E. M. Smith. Potter will offer at public sale on his farm, 31₂ miles west of Centre Hall, Pa., along the Brush Valley road, livestock and farm imple-

BATURDAY, MARCH 18 — Christ Beezer will offer at public sale on his farm at Roopsburg, near Belle-fonte, a full line of 'household goods. Sale at 1 p. m. Mayes and Stover, auct.

MONDAY, MARCH 20 - Samuel W Mulbarger will offer at public sale on the Noil farm in Pleasant Gap. livestock, farm implements and some household goods. Sale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct. W. C. Smeltzer, clerk.

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UESDAY, MARCH 21-Oscar Gilliland implements, including 4 hors-es, 30 milch cows: 25 registered grade heifers: 4 registered Holstein buils: this is a blood-tested herd. Alao 50 hogs: 20 sheep; 400 chick-ens; a full line of farm machinery and household goods. Sale at 9 a. m. E. M. Smith, and H. L. Harp-ster, aucts. W. C. Morrow, clerk.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 - G. H.

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livestock and implements.

Coakley will offer at public sale on his farm, one-fourth mile west of Yarneli, along improved road

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22-J. Prank Lose will offer at public sale, three miles east of Aaronsburg on his farm along the State Highway, a full line of livestock and farm im-

THURSDAY, MARCH 23 - James Hoover will offer at public sale on the H. A. Myers farm, three miles east of Rebersburg, livestock and farm implements. E. E. Hubler,

THURSDAY, MARCH 23-C O. Wal-

ters will offer at public sale on his farm on the Jacksonville road,

east of Bellefonte, a full line of farm stock and implements. Sale at 10 s. m. E. M. Smith, auct.

ship, 1% miles west of Woodward, along the Pine Creek road. Sale at 10 a. m. Mayes and Stover,

MARCH 24 -- Paul 8

lements and some household oods. Sale at 10 a. m. Wise & Hu-

Bale at 12:30 noon. Mayes wer aucts.

Benner will offer at public sale on the Andy Jodon farm, southeast of Bellefonte, livestock and farm im-

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22-Thomas Cates will offer at public sal on his farm, 5 miles east of Tyrone, Pa., or 2½ west of Warriors Mark, Pa., livesbock, farm implements and household goods. Sale at 10 a. m. H. L. Harpster, auct. W. C. TUESDAY. MARCH 28-Clair Smith

EDNESDAY, MARCH 29 - W. H.



ments. Clean-up sale. Sale at 10 a. m. E. M. Smith, auct.

THURSDAY, APRIL 6- Earl (Fox Robinson will offer at public sale one his farm, five miles north of Jersey Shore, on Route 84 to Bal-ladaywburg, livestock and some

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They found only Don Gregorio and three or four priests still at the abbey when they arrived. There was sufficient drinking water, but the food was a little ground corn and four which the refugees brought from Cassino.

The Germans permitted civilians to enter, but once the gate closed on them they were prisoners, survivors said. One man who tried to leave was shot, Mario said.

Those who reached freedom with Mario included his 18-year-old wife, his sisters, Antoinetta, 15 and Maria, Filomena, a white-haired woman about 50: Catherina, 54, and her daughter, Anna, 14, and son, Elio.

Filomena wailed continuously for the loss of her husband and four children inside the monastery. Catherina also wept for her lost husband. None of them had washed for three days and they were half-starved. The children begged for food as we talked

JACKSONVILLE

(From Last Week) Mrs. Ruth Betz and children of Howard, and Mrs. Alice Betz spent Saturday at Centre Hall at the home of John T. Delaney.

Mrs. Sumner Noll and Mrs. Edward Bartley were Sunday visitors at the Paul Hironimus home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wolf and daughter were Sunday supper guests at the Harry Baird home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Boone of Lock Haven, and Boyd Boone of this place, visited their sister, Mrs. Ted Dixson and family.

Mrs. Maynard Spicer spent the weekend with her granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yarnell and family

Miss Betty Aley accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meyer to Altoona, Sunday.



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