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# TEACH THE LESSON WELL

Much space is being wasted in the discussion of Finland's dilemma but the matter boils down to the fact that the Finns picked the wrong horse in the race.

We have much sympathy for the plight of the Finns but, in a war against civilization, they deliberately threw their strength on the side of the aggressors and they must now pay the cost.

It is very essential that this cost be paid. Otherwise the lessons of the present struggle will have to be repeated in subsequent years. It is vital that those who sided with Germany be taught that such activities carry inevitable penalties.

It is not a question of vengeance against the Finns. Vengeance should not, and does not, justify any peace terms, even against Japan and Germany. It is a question of teaching aggressor peoples that war does not pay and the lesson would not be emphasized if those who start a war and then lose it, are not penalized

As for the people of Germany and Japan it is necessary that they get this lesson. Nobody wants to punish our enemies just to enjoy the brutality of the executions. The supremacy of justice requires some punishment for the crimes committed and if the victors permit guilty people to escape punishment they will deserve what they will get, another war later on.

## HOW ABOUT "FIGHT PAY"

Ernie Pyle, who writes about the simple everyday life of our soldiers in Italy, suggested that a little more recognition should be given genuine combat ground soldiers.

He says that of any one million men overseas not more than 100,-000 are in actual combat with the enemy but that there is no official distinction "between the dogface laying for days and nights under constant mortar fire and the headquarters clerk living comfortably in a hotel" in a safe area.

Mr. Pyle would pay the actual combat soldiers something like flight pay that goes to air men. The extra pay would be a mark of distinction and a recognition of the job that actual combat entails.

Already, men serving overseas get extra pay, ten per cent for officers and twenty per cent for enlisted men. Flight pay adds an extra fifty per cent. As it is, combat soldiers draw no more than those bil-

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# **Random Items** (Continued from page one)

3 decades ago. (We don't think he's been frightened much since). Then there's Molly Shugert, Kathryn there's Meyer, Mary Woodring, nice looking children, all, but we fancy they wouldn't appreciate having their old photos tossed around. But wait! While this corner's picture doesn't appear in the groups, there is the horrible possibility that somewhere someone may have one to haunt us with. Blackmail? We were only fool-

JUDGE: Probably one of the toughest jobs

ing!!!

in the world, as we look at it, is being a judge. Particularly in the civil branches of the law, it seems as though for every question raised in court there are precedents to uphold both sides of the question. We can listen to the arguments by one attorney, and make up our minds that he's got the thing anchored. Then the opposition side opens up, and by the time he's through we're won

over to his side. About that time the judge asks a pertinent question or two and we see that both attorneys have overlooked something. Usually at this juncture we remember having urgent business to attend to elsewhere. But the judge can't do

may reverse his decisions. IRKED:

> This corner doesn't go around nunting

to the U.S. expressed by some people, you can't help but wonder. If they don't like this country there's

nothing to keep them from getting MEET AGAIN:

When Hillary Vieard, 59, of Philipsburg, appeared in court here my Monday morning to plead guilty to a burglary charge, he was no newcomer in the county courts, accord-ing to Court Crier, Paul F. Fortney,

of Bellefonte. "I remember the first time he appeared in court," Fortney reminisced. "It was back in 1912, I was District Attorney, and Vleard's

was the first case I prosecuted as District Attorney." Fortney added that the late Judge Ellis L. Orvis was on the bench at the time. "After Vieard was sentenced," Fortney went on, "I accompanied Sheriff A. B. Lee on the trip to Pittsburgh when he took the man there to begin his first term in the Western State Pen-

ACCIDENT:

itentiary.

Gerald Elwood Dreibelbis, 13, of Pennsylvania Furnace, whose neck as severely cut last Wednesday night when a sled on which he was coasting ran into a barbed wire fence, has plenty of what it takes. Although his windpipe was partly evered, his esophagus severed and his throat jacerated virtually from ear to ear, the youth withstood a



### He Couldn't Mean-

Bar here in 1884. He was especially adept in the trial of criminal cases A couple of sailors on the loose ran into a green country yokel who and had great influence with a jury. Chambers was always interested in was bewilderedly standing on a street corner gawking at a tall building. Thinking to have some sport with him, they invited the hick to join politics as a Republican. He was un-them and see some of the sights. ambitions, since Centre, at that

"I know a joint where we can get some swell limberger sandwiches and beer," suggested one of the gobs. "What say, Abner?"

"I'll try anything once, by cracky," Abner agreed. They bellied up to the bar and ordered the limbergers and a round

beer. The gobs fell to with gusto, but Abner just stood and sniffed. "Didn't you ever eat any of that stuff before?" queried the gobs. "Nope," said Abner, dolefully, "but I've stepped in it plenty of times." \* \* \*

# Nuts From the Poet Tree

The night was dry and so was Willie, Until that whiskey knocked him silly; But now he occupies a cellie, For having too much in his-stomach.

# . . .

# Getting 'em Riled

Private-"How does a guy get rid of cooties in the army?" health. Later he read law with Cur-Corporal-"That's easy. First, you take a bath in sand, and then rub tin & Blanchard and was admitted ments and he has to be sure he's down with alcohol. The coots get drunk, and start throwing rocks at each to our Bar in 1860. right, for if he errs, a higher court other." Coburn had great influence in

### Then the Blackout

An American bomber group moved into their new British base, one struction of the Lewisburg & Tyrone "spies" or "German sympa- of England's best women's colleges in pre-war days. A few minutes after Railroad Co., as well as in other inthizers," which was a favorite the officers had settled in their rooms bells began to ring all over the dustrial improvements throughout pastime in World War I, but when halls. An adjutant rushed around to see what was wrong. Behind every Penn's Valley. He became president you keep hearing from time to time, door he found a button with a sign: "Ring twice for mistress." new instances of apparent disloyalty

### Whittling It Down

Nit-"I caught a swell three-foot bass yesterday." Wit-"I pulled a lantern out of the river while fishing and it was still burning

Nit-"Do you expect me to believe that?"

Wit-"All right, you can cut two feet off your fish, and I'll blow out law with James M. Petrikin and was lantern."

Private Goldbrick tells of a Navy dentist who got a salute of twenty-gums. gums.

# . . .

# **Cooling Thoughts**

The troops were marching through North Africa. It was arid and fonte when James was quite a young parched, not a drop of water was to be found. One soldier sat sadly on a boy. He completed his education at mount holding his head in his palms. the Bellefonte Academy, read law

"What's wrong with him?" asked the sergeant. "Home-sickness, sir," replied a private.

"Yeah, we've all got that."

"Yeah, but his is worse. He owns a saloon back home."

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### Watch Your Step

Here's to the soldier and his arms, Fall in, men, fall in. Here's to a woman and her arms,

Fall in, men, fall in. . . .

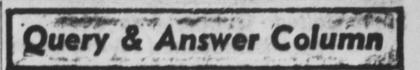
### A Hard Blow

A Hard Blow There were once two mosquitoes who met in a bugle and went out He was educated at the local schools on a toot together. and at the Bellefonte Academy, and

# . . .

The Bare Facts

The story is told of a draftee who needed a minor nose treatment. sistant-editor of the Democratic trip by automobile to the hospital and walked into the institution without losing consciousness. Sur-



March 16, 1944.

C. E. H .-- What is the language used in conducting the sessions of the ague of Nations?

Ans .- French is the official language.

Members of the Bar

(Continued from page one)

time, had a large Democratic ma-

jority. In 1891 he was appointed a

James W. Alexander, and in 1903

was appointed as a colonel on the

staff of Gov. Pennypacker. He was

a good trial lawyer and a genial, likeable companion. He died in 1912.

JAMES P. COBURN

Born 1831 in Aaronsburg

Hartsville School and returned tem-

porarily to his home, as his father

and mother were both in feeble

Penn's Valley and his practice was

chiefly confined to that region. He

Bellefonte, and died here in 1908.

THOMAS CRAIGHEAD

Born 1798 in Lycoming County

to Bellefonte in 1826, where he read

JAMES CRAWFORD

Born 1809 in Huntingdon County

with James M. Petrikin and was ad-

mitted to the Bar in 1832. For a year

or so he took over Craighead's post

with his preceptor, but in 1834 he

moved to his native county and

practiced law in Hollidaysburg until

Note: With the aid of Mrs. D. A

J. SMITH BARNHART

Grove, of Bellefonte, the following

biography has been added to our

Born 1828 in Spring Twp.

His family had been among the

became interested in literary work

In 1857 he took the position of as-

the time of his death in 1840.

He was educated locally and came

He completed his education at the

P. R .- Where did the hollyhock originate?

Ans .- The hollyhock was developed from the mild mallow, a native of Syria and is believed to have been discovered by the Crusaders and brought to Europe by way of Palestine.

R. N. S .- When was the last shot fired by the United States Navy in the first World War?

Ans,-It is believed that the last shot was fired by Battery No. 4 of the United States Naval Railway Battery in France, between 10:05 and 10:58 a. m., November 11, 1918. Five rounds were fired by this battery at Longuyon, France, J. A. Kaffka, S. F., second class, was at the gun.

deputy revenue collector, and later appointed as assistant to the Adju-H. L. E .- How many inventions have been submitted to the governtant-General. During these latter ment since the beginning of the war? years he associated himself with

Ans .- Since August 1940, the National Inventors Council has received 165,000 ideas and inventions, many of which have been adopted by the War, Navy and other departments.

B. F .- What country has the most laws?

Ans .-- Barnes and Ruedi in The American Way of Life states that it has been observed that America has more laws than any other nation in the world. There are 2,500,000 Federal, state, and municipal statutes on the books.

O. B. P .-- How long have crosses been used to mark Christian graves? Ans .- Among the very easliest Christian graves which have been disvered, the cross was used as a symbol.

L. G .- Who is the goddess of victory?

Ans .--- Nike, in Greek mythology, is the goddess of victory. The Romans lled her Victoria

R. E. M .- What is the capital of Bolivia?

Ans-La Pax is the actual seat of government.

was deeply concerned in the con-P. R. D .- On what occasion did Winston Churchill jump 30 feet from bridge?

Ans .- While visiting his aunt on an estate near Bournemouth. Churchill played the game of Indians with his brother and cousin. He of the First National Bank of Belleran on a bridge both ends of which were blocked with other boys. To touch fonte after the death of Edward C. him would mean that he was captive. He, therefore jumped, hoping the Humes, moved his residence to trees in the ravine would break his fall. He ruptured a kidney and suffered a severe concussion.

# AUDITORS' REPORT

### TAYLOR TOWNSHIP, CENTRE COUNTY

From First Monday in January 1943, to First Monday in January, 1944. admitted to our Bar in 1829. He had CASH BALANCE AT BEGINNING OF YEAR

Cash in Bank, Securities and Reserves. .\$ 707.20 Total .\$ 707.20 His father's family moved to Belle- RECEIPTS Taxes Collected in Cash during Year .\$ 149,77 Taxes Collected on Old Duplicates during Year. Amount Received from County on Unpaid Taxes or Liens Filed 189.43 Amount Received from Other Sources (a) to (i) Form 905. 3.42 Total .\$ 366.23

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lance with Act	
1, 1943, P. L. 433.	
Signed:	C

CURTIS W. SOLT. HAROLD J. ERHARD.

BLAINE O. BECKWITH.

Auditors



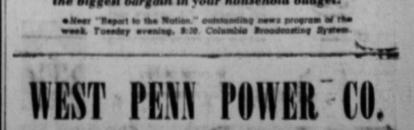
recently and nearly fell over when they learned that the country was busy with a man-size war.

You can imagine their further shock when they tried to buy food and supplies. Items scarce ... ration points ... prices sky high! Things sure

Only in paying an electric bill-if their cave, had been wired for electricity-would the boys have found no difference, no sign that the war

For even though war has made many things cost more, you have been able to get plenty of electricity for your home at the low, pre-war price level. There's been plenty for you, for our, industries and for every essential civilian need!

are now in our Country's service. But their fellow-employes are on the job, working harder than ever to provide you with a dependable supply of electricity-at a price that is just about the biggest bargain in your household budget!



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