



Jesse Adler Looks at the NEWS

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Historian Recalls Old Landmarks of Nittany-Brush Valley Turnpike

Former Centre County Resident Tells of the Toll Gate Keepers of Long Ago; An Interesting Bit of Local History

(By Henry W. Shoemaker) The revived interest in the old time toll roads of Central Pennsylvania is agreeably served by the charming reminiscences of George H. Gobble, the veteran Centre county historical author who now resides at Mt. Clemens, Michigan.

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Hecla Poultry Farms, Inc., to John H. Zellers, et ux, Minersville, tract in Walker Twp. \$1. D. Marvin Ishler, et ux, to Mabel G. Garbrick, Centre Hall, tract in Potter Twp. \$1.



Released by U. S. War Department, Bureau of Public Relations. FLIRTING WITH BOUNCING BETTY—U. S. Paratroopers on an Italian hillside engage in the dangerous task of removing hidden mines planted by retreating Germans.

Pay Heavily For Runaway Train Giving Boys Beer

Clinton County Judge Sentences Two Men to Terms in Jail

Floyd Bilby and his 18-year-old companion, James Carson, two Jersey Shore men, will have to serve six months in the Clinton county jail for buying beer for three youths of minor age.

Men Who Robbed Two State Policemen Receive Long Prison Terms

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WAR COSTS \$300,000,000 A DAY

Here's where your money goes: Up to March 1 the war had cost \$199,000,000, or about 300 million dollars a day. Total war outlays are reckoned from the start of the defense program on July 1, 1940.

CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL IN THE WEEK'S NEWS

Monday of Last Week Admitted: Mrs. David Keller, of Bellefonte. Discharged: Andrew Lentovsky, Port Matilda, R. D. 1; Miss Jean Smith, Spring Mills, R. D. 1; Donald Benner, State College; Lillah Tice, Bellefonte, R. D. 2; Wayne Webb, State College; Mrs. William L. Barr and infant daughter, State College; Mrs. Robert V. Laws, State College.

Three Little Girls Are Injured When Tree Is Felled At Philipsburg

Children Sitting on Front Porch Swing of Home When Tree Crashed House Next Door; One Girl Knocked Unconscious

Three little girls were injured at Philipsburg Sunday afternoon when Andrew W. Meyer, formerly workman of the Aspinthul Tree Expert company felled a large tree on Ninth street.

Board Penalizes Two Physicians

Lock Haven Board Imposes Penalties For Making Trip to Florida

Ration Board No. 1 of Lock Haven, meeting Friday, imposed penalties upon Dr. James L. Lubrecht for using emergency gasoline rations to make a trip to Florida, and upon Dr. Talryn James for accompanying him.

Sees Greater 1944 Food Production

Centre County FSA Supervisor Has Optimistic Outlook in Area

Army Student Hit By Car at College

Francis W. Fitzpatrick, Army Specialized Training Program Student at Penn State, suffered head and rib injuries Friday when he was struck by a car operated by H. Y. Ruckey, of State College, R. D. 1, in the 100 block of North Atherton street.

CHILD DRINKS DISINFECTANT

Glenn Neff, 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Neff, Sr., of Mill Run road, Blair county, was badly burned about the mouth last Thursday when he drank lyeol. The child had climbed to the medicine cabinet and reached the bottle containing the lyeol. His mother heard him scream and ran to the kitchen where she found the little fellow in agony.

S'NO FUN:

Too late for last week we received the following note signed "A Reader." Ordinarily we file such contributions in the wastebasket, but since this one appears to be somewhat different, we reprint it as follows: "It seems that after telling individuals, Town Council, Harrisburg, and even Congress how to conduct their affairs, it might be appropriate to call your attention to the last two snows which you left Old Sol melt instead of shoveling 'off' as your neighbors do. Can you imagine that? We defy the person to find a single flake of snow on our sidewalk!"

WE DISCOVERED, the other day, the source of the sounds of heavy breathing we've been hearing at the nose of our neck for some time. We looked around quickly and there stood the Draft Board. They finally caught up with us and presented us with a 1-A classification, which means we're entitled to a trip to Altona at government expense in the near future to see whether we're going into the armed forces. Just for the record we report that for some hours after getting the notice we felt as though we'd swallowed a bird's nest, complete with birds. We felt exactly as we did one time when we were scheduled to sing a solo in a home-talent show. Candidly, of the two, we think we prefer military service.

NEWSPAPERS' ARMY:

All in all, county newspapermen are pretty much in this war. Jack Yeager, of the Times, got his 1-A also last week. John H. Fleming, former county newspaperman, is doing a stint in the Navy. Charlie Mensch, editor of the Gazette, is taking his out in the Sea-Bees. Bill Uierich, of State College, did six months in Officers' Candidate School and is now on the reserve list.

WILD GEESE:

Several flocks of wild geese passed over Bellefonte Saturday morning, on their way north. Lee Bolt, local drayman, and Register Harry A. Corman counted about 70 in one flock and 40 in another. On the other side of the world people are looking into the skies these days but they don't see wild geese. They see mighty bombers loaded with tons of explosives. There are 2000 in some flocks, 1000 in others, or maybe only 650 in three. Here in Centre county never seen anything but geese.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Sgt. Jerry Weinstein and Weinstein (the former Tr. Curtin of Curtin) recently unique postcard-size announcement of the birth of their first named Thomasine Curtin March 11 at 3:15 p. m. at the home of Sgt. Weinstein, who with the armed forces. T. Weinstein, apparently drafted newspaper cartoonist, is "Extra Extra" under which he works with a bundle and a newspaper front page headed "Sgt. Weinstein's First Child." Proudly Present Their First Edition, Volume One, Number One. Across the bottom of the card is a group of soldiers reading from newspapers information about the new arrival.

REVENUE:

We still wonder, sometimes, whether Bellefonte Council did the wise thing last week when it kept the tax rate at the same level it has been—13 mills. All borough services, wages, salaries, and materials have increased. There has been a corresponding increase in revenues—and in fact the assessed value of real estate has been decreasing. It may be necessary next year, or the year after, to increase the tax rate not one mill, but two or three.

News to Him

A 44-year-old man told the FBI at Troy, N. Y., he never had heard of selective service. In fact, he said, he didn't know the First World War had ended. His home is atop Berlin mountain in a rugged section of Rensselaer county.

Prison is Easier

A district court jury at Oklahoma City agreed on the prisoner's punishment and returned to the court room with the verdict but neglected to specify where sentence would be served. "You see, judge," explained the jury foreman, "no one on the jury knew how to spell 'penitentiary' and that is the reason we left it off."

Goos to Cleaner's

Maybe he was looking for the cat's pajamas. At any rate, when Blackie, a fine Persian kitten, didn't show up for his saucer of milk and ignored all pleas of "Kitty, Kitty," his owner, Mrs. H. M. McWhorter, of Nashville, Tenn., recalled how she'd had to shove him away while she filled the laundry bag. She sent her husband to the laundry—and the rescue. The night watchman shook his head, waved toward trucks loaded with thousands of laundry bags. But McWhorter plunged in, undaunted. One truck unloaded, two trucks unloaded. Another watchman came and joined in the search. Hope vanished. McWhorter crawled across the trucks, calling "Kitty, Kitty." Then there came a faint "meow" and the cat was out of the bag.

VICTIM OF AUTO CRASH

Frederick K. Gould, of Bloomsburg, who would have been 21 years of age next month, was fatally injured when the station wagon he was driving figured in a collision with a steel-bodied dump truck at a highway intersection in Main township. Both machines were virtually demolished, although neither was overturned. Damage to the station wagon was estimated at \$1,000, and to the truck about \$800.

TRUCK BACKS INTO CAR

A truck operated by Joe Conner, of Everett, R. D. 3, in backing from a parking space on Atherton street, State College, about 3:15 p. m. Friday, ran into a car driven by Mrs. Jean A. Baird, of State College, which was traveling south on Atherton street. No one was injured and damage to the Baird machine was estimated at \$35.

HIT BY CAR, CHILD UNHURT

Twelve-year-old Mary Lou Winters, daughter of Mrs. Nellie Winters, Lock Haven, escaped injury Friday afternoon when she ran between parked cars on Bellefonte avenue in front of their apartment, directly into the path of an automobile operated by Donald R. Shearer. The child appeared unhurt and her mother declined to have her taken to a physician by Mr. Shearer.

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