



Where the Fuel Goes

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

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WHERE THE FUEL GOES An Army Transport burns 23,000 gallons of fuel oil a day.

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39 Men In Special Draft Class for May

20 Slated for Army; 19 for Navy; Regular Quota for Month Is Expected Soon, Local Officials Announce.

Local Draft Board No. 2, of Belleville, yesterday released the names of men summoned to fill special quotas for the Army and Navy on May 12. Twenty are listed for the Army and 19 for the Navy.

ESCAPES DEATH IN ACCIDENT HERE

Injured Man Crawls From Track Ahead of Moving Car

Randall Glasgow, 30, of Centre Hall, mill operator and lime leader at the National Gypsum Company plant in Buffalo Run Valley, saved himself from serious injury or possible death about 4 p. m. Tuesday when, after suffering a fractured leg in a fall from a slowly moving box car, he dragged himself off the tracks before the car ran over him.

According to reports, Glasgow had placed a brake stick in the brake wheel, preparatory to releasing the brakes. When he kicked at the ratchet to release it, the wheel revolved quickly and the brake stick is believed to have knocked the man off the car.

Named Postmaster At Centre Hall

The postmaster general announced yesterday the appointment of H. M. Potter of Centre Hall, as acting postmaster in that community, succeeding Estella Hosterman who had been serving temporarily since the death last December of Postmaster C. W. Boozer.

Mr. Potter for a number of years has been active in Democratic political circles and was chairman in Centre Hall for eight years. He served one year as a member of the party's county executive committee and for two years was chairman of the Jefferson dinner.

Mr. Potter is chairman of the Agricultural Adjustment Association in Potter township and is Centre Hall borough tax collector. He is a member of the Masons and is a patron of the Order of Eastern Star in Centre Hall and Belleville.

For the past 12 years he has been employed at the R. S. Hagan garage in Centre Hall.

Exams Here Friday

State scholarship examinations will be held at 8:30 a. m. Friday, May 5, at the Belleville, High School. These examinations are conducted for outstanding pupils throughout the county, and are open only to those recommended by the various school principals.

Pals From Guadalcanal Foxhole Meet Again at State College

When Chief Pharmacist's Mate H. Franklin Alters, who has just returned from the South Pacific, dived into his first foxhole on Guadalcanal to escape a Jap bombing raid, the first person he saw was Pharmacist's Mate Walter McLaughlin, of Chicago. The two became firm friends, and were together in many of the earlier engagements in the South Pacific.

5 FISHERMEN PAY \$550 FOR 55 SMALL FISH

Clarence Men Plead Guilty to Having 11 Trout Each

CAUGHT AT CABIN IN ALLEGHENIES

Only Three of 58 Fish Reported to be of Legal Size

A weekend fishing trip proved a costly experience for five residents of Clarence who fell afoul of the law and have been ordered to pay for 55 trout at the rate of \$10 per trout.

Justice of the Peace E. T. Haynes of Snow Shoe, before whom the five were arraigned Saturday night, said the men received the minimum penalty permissible under the law. The five men are: Andy Vangar, Andrew Alexander, Andy P. Polts, Steve Shultka and J. J. Puhallo, all of Clarence. They were arrested at a hunting camp in the Allegheny mountains near Kato, Saturday evening, by Centre County Fish Warden David Dahlgren of Phillipsburg, and two of his deputies, who said they found a total of 58 headless trout in the possession of the five men.

Killed in Action



Lieutenant John Hoffer

Lieut. John Hoffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hoffer of Phillipsburg, previously reported missing, was killed in action according to a telegram received by the parents Monday night.

ANNOUNCE DATE FOR GRANGE FAIR

Scheduled Aug. 26 to 31; G. W. Ralston Chairman

At a meeting held in Centre Hall last Tuesday, the committee for the Grange Encampment and Centre County Fair announced August 26 to 31 as the dates for the 1944 Fair.

College Man Hurt In Motor Accident

Robert Walker, 22, of State College, R. D., is undergoing treatment at the Centre County Hospital for a fracture and laceration of the arm suffered about midnight Tuesday when his car sideswiped a machine driven by Clair E. Hall, 20, of Julian, R. D.

ZONING ORDINANCE FINALLY APPROVED

The longest law in Belleville's history received final approval after second and third readings in Council Monday night, and within a matter of weeks the new zoning ordinance will be a part of the borough regulations.

Wedded Half-Century



Mr. and Mrs. George L. Peters

A family dinner in which more than fifty persons all related by blood or marriage took part was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Peters, two miles west of Stormstown last Wednesday in celebration of the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. Peter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Orvis Peters, Stormstown.

WORLD WAR VET TAKES OWN LIFE

Wilbur Rhule Sends Bullet Through His Chest

Death of a Port Matilda resident, veteran of World War I, from a bullet wound in the chest early Sunday morning, has been pronounced a suicide by Coroner Charles Sheekler, of Millburg, who investigated the matter.

GIRL KILLED BY TRUCK AT PORT MATILDA

Driver Not Held In Death; Victim Ran Into Machine

Struck by a truck while she was running to meet her father as he returned home from work, Shirley E. Garner, aged 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Garner, of Port Matilda, was instantly killed last Thursday afternoon.

Rotary Club Hears Interesting Talks

The Belleville Rotary Club heard a most interesting talk on what is usually considered a "dry" subject when Roland Boyce, of Curwensville, spoke on "Biologicals."

Local Man Held on Bad Check Charges

A trail of worthless checks through State College and Belleville stores came to an end Saturday when Henry S. Klinefelter, 24, of Belleville, was lodged in the county jail to await his appearance in court.

College Blamed For Fish Killing

Engineers of the State Sanitary Water Board Friday declared Pennsylvania State College responsible for the death of an estimated 500 legal-sized fish in Thompson's run, a small stream on the outskirts of State College.

Boro Issues Warning to Garbage Route Patrons

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Hospital Auxiliary Plan Rummage Sale

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Centre County Hospital will hold a rummage sale in the former Dear Phipps store room on South Allegheny street on Thursday, May 18, beginning at 1:30 p. m.

HOWARD MAN DIES IN ARMY TRAINING CAMP

Failure Machine Gun Rest Believed Cause of Fatality

SERVICES AT HOWARD TODAY

Pfc. Toner B. Hoover, 24, Victim of Accident at Salina

A training accident at Camp Phillips, Salina, Kas., proved fatal to Pfc. Toner Bruce Hoover, 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Hoover, of Howard, and brother of Mrs. James Marshall, of Belleville, according to word received here during the weekend.

Mrs. Marshall received news of her brother's death from Pvt. Hoover's wife, the former Sylvia Lucas, daughter of Mrs. Myrtle Lucas, of Belleville, in a telephone call from Kansas where Mrs. Hoover went about two weeks ago to be near her husband indefinitely.

According to reports, Hoover and another man lost their lives through the failure of a machine gun being used on an obstacle course.

It is reported that the men and a number of others were crawling across a field over which a cover of machine gun fire was being spread, simulating actual battle conditions. A wooden platform under one of the machine guns is said to have burned loose from the heat of the gun, permitting the gun to drop so that its fire fell low enough to



Pfc. Toner B. Hoover

WAG RALLY TO BE HELD, SATURDAY

Legion, VFW to Participate in Parade; Speakers

Brooks-Doll Post No. 33, American Legion and Jackson-Crisman-Saylor Post No. 1600, Veterans of Foreign Wars, are cooperating with the Women's Army Corps, Army of the United States, in staging a parade and rally Saturday evening, May 6 at 7:30 at the Diamond. If the weather is inclement the program will take place in the Court House.

Child Suffers Burns In Fall on Radiator

William Flack, aged 14 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Flack, of Julian, received treatment at the Centre County Hospital dispensary Friday for burns of the left arm and left leg, suffered when he fell on a radiator at his home.

Probe Death of Lock Haven Child

Mother Tells Conflicting Stories of Daughter's Death; Body Found in Car on Outskirts of City; Clothing Wet.

Lock Haven police yesterday afternoon were continuing their investigation into the strange death of Doree Mae Moore, aged 4 years, daughter of Mrs. Arnold W. Moore, of 32 East Church street, Lock Haven, whose lifeless body was found in a car near that city Tuesday morning, while the distraught mother wandered about the scene expressing fears for her daughter's safety.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Moore is reported to have told police that on Tuesday morning she and her daughter drove out along the Renovo road about ten miles from Lock Haven. There they stopped near a small dam. Mrs. Moore said she struck her child over the head with a wrench then threw the wrench in the dam. The mother then claimed she held the child under the water of the small pool for a time.

Police expressed doubt about the entire story. A post-mortem examination of the child's body revealed no water in the lungs, and there was no skull injury such as a wrench could be expected to make. It is reported that there are clear indications the child suffocated to death.

Then too, Mrs. Moore went to the scene with police yesterday, but no wrench could be found where she said she threw the tool.

Mrs. Moore is reported to have been cool and collected yesterday in sharp contrast to the semi-hysterical state in which she was found Tuesday morning near her child's lifeless body. She informed officials yesterday that she has been much worried over her own physical condition and also over the imminent induction of her husband into military service.

Mrs. Moore is the former Sarah Miller of Mill Hill, a sister of Don

KUSSE RESIGNS C. OF C. POST HERE

Accepts Similar Position at Huntingdon, L. I.

Karl E. Kusse, for the past seven years widely known secretary of Belleville's Chamber of Commerce, and holder of a dozen or more other local offices, has resigned his duties here effective May 30 to become secretary of the Chamber of Commerce at Huntingdon, Long Island.

Schools Plan Two Music Programs

Monday evening, May 8, at 7:45, the Junior Chorus of the Belleville schools will give a program in the high school auditorium. The musical will digress from the usual concert style in that it will be presented in the form of an old-time minstrel. There is no admission charge and the public is cordially invited.

LANDS 29 1/2 INCH TROUT IN TOWN

"Moose" Ammerman Gets Biggest Trout Reported So Far

Centre County anglers have a high mark to aim at if they expect to top a catch made early Saturday morning by John "Moose" Ammerman, of West Logan street, Belleville, who while angling in Spring Creek opposite the William Wolf home on North Water Street, within Belleville Borough limits, landed a rainbow trout which measured 29 1/2 inches and which weighed eight pounds, four ounces.

Midnight Show at Plaza Here, May 10

A "spook" stage show and a screen mystery thriller are billed for a midnight show at the Plaza theatre, Belleville, Wednesday night, May 10, to be announced yesterday by Fred Fisher, theatre manager.

Want Bids On Two Star Mail Routes

The postoffice department reports it is having difficulty in obtaining bidders on two star routes serving Centre county. One of the routes is the important one between Tyrone and Belleville, and the other, also an important one, serves State College, Lemont, and Belleville.



Mrs. Annie Watson Emel

Mrs. Annie Watson Emel, of Snow Shoe, yesterday noon received a War Department telegram announcing that her son, Pvt. Harry Watson, died April 24 in England. There was no further information.

The soldier's mother, now wife of James S. Emel, of Snow Shoe, reported that she had a letter from her son three weeks ago in which he said he was well and that he expected an early end of the war. "I'll be home soon," he wrote. He sent a telegram to Mother's Day.

Pvt. Watson, who was 19 years old last February 21, was born in Indiana county. He attended the Snow Shoe High School and entered the armed forces as a member of the Belleville National Guard unit.

After serving at Camp Shelby, Miss., and Camp Sutton, N. C., he went to Ireland and then to England.

Surviving are his mother, his stepfather, a brother, Marlin Watson, Jr., and three sisters, Mary, Dorothy and Verna, all at home.

Pvt. Watson was a member of the Methodist church and Sunday school at Moshannon.

Belleville Central Re-elects Officers

All officers and directors of the Belleville Central Railroad were re-elected at the annual organization meeting held at the general offices on North Spring street, Monday.

At the stockholders' meeting Claude B. Wagner, of Philadelphia, Belleville, vice president, treasurer and general manager; Earl M. Cartwright, Belleville, assistant treasurer; Robert S. Walker, Allentown, secretary; W. J. Emerick, Belleville, assistant secretary, and Mr. Goeghegan, traffic manager.