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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
gallons of fuel oil
a day.



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Plan Service For Captain Spangler

**Bellefonte Infantry Officer Believed to Have
Lost Life in Attack Near Montebourg;
Was Widely Known in Centre County**

Memorial services for Captain John Jackson "Jack" Spangler, 30, well known Bellefonte man who was killed in action in France on June 7, the second day of the invasion, will be held in the Bellefonte Presbyterian church at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, July 2, it was announced yesterday. The service will be in charge of Rev. William C. Thompson, pastor of the church, and the family has announced that all who wish to attend are welcome.

regiments of his division, under heavy shelling from German 88's, moved inland abreast, leaving none in reserve because of the speed with which the first part of the campaign was conducted. The division got through strong defense positions and joined the paratroopers at St. Mere-Eglise. It then moved on Montebourg, which was captured one week later. Captain Spangler is believed to have fallen at the opening of the advance on Montebourg. He was known to have been serving under Gen. Omar M. Bradley, who with Gen. B. L. Montgomery is commanding the Allied ground forces in the invasion.

Capt. Spangler, who prior to entering the service was assistant trust officer at the First National Bank, Bellefonte, began his military career at Penn State, where he enrolled in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps. Upon completing the four-year ROTC course he was placed on the Army reserve list and was called to active duty on May 5, 1941.

He received training at Ft. Benning, Ga.; Camp Gordon, Augusta, Ga.; and was on maneuvers in the Carolinas and in Louisiana. He then was sent back to Camp Gordon and from there to Ft. Dix, N. J. Subsequently he was stationed at Camp Gordon Johnson, Fla., until being sent to Ft. Jackson, South Carolina. He is believed to have sailed from an eastern port for overseas duty in February this year.

Capt. Spangler received his early education in the Bellefonte grade schools and for three years attended the Bellefonte High School. The following year he was graduated from the Bellefonte Academy. In 1935 he was graduated in commerce and finance from Penn State.

During his school years, Capt. Spangler was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. He was also a member of the Beta Beta Beta Honor Society.

War Department messages reporting Capt. Spangler's death were received last Wednesday night by his wife, Margaret Knoll Spangler, of State College, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben B. Spangler, of North Spring Street, Bellefonte.

Confirming details have not been received at this time from the War Department, but news stories have related that the division to which Captain Spangler belonged was part of the force assigned to isolate and capture Cherbourg. The division landed on the coast of Normandy at the beginning of the invasion, evidently near the mouth of the Douve river, its immediate task being to get through German coastal defenses and join forces with paratroopers dropped over St. Mere-Eglise.

Captain Spangler had a rifle company which apparently landed exactly at H-Hour, D-Day. The three

339 COUNTY PUPILS PASS SCHOOL EXAMS

**5 of 20 Highest Marks
Turned in by Miles-
burg Students**

**WILL ENTER HIGH
SCHOOLS IN FALL**

**Rush Township Pupils
Make Good Showing
in Tests**

A total of 339 Centre county grade school pupils passed non-resident entrance examinations for high school given May 27, it was announced yesterday by F. Glenn Rogers, county superintendent of schools.

Five pupils of the Milesburg borough schools were among the 20 highest scorers in the examinations. Second honors went to the North Philipsburg, Rush township schools, with four pupils among the 20 highest. In addition, the Rush township schools produced five others in the group, two of them being from the Point Lookout school, two from the Consolidated school, and one from the Moshannon school.

Other county schools which produced one pupil each among the 20 highest scorers were: Pleasant Gap, Spring township; Logan, Walker township; Bush Addition, Spring township; Mt. Eagle, Howard township; Hubersburg, Walker township, and Central City, Boggs township.

The twenty pupils scoring highest in the examinations are as follows:

Donald Hess, Milesburg.
David Lewis, Pleasant Gap.
Barbara Roberts, Milesburg.
Carl Deltrich, Logan, Walker Twp.
Miles Sowers, Milesburg.
Robert Shank, North Philipsburg.
Richard Lucas, Milesburg.
Eugene Smith, Bush Addition.
Josephine Heaton, Milesburg.

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Bow Your Head

THIS is Invasion! Now in the hearts, brains and muscles of our American Youth lies the future of our country.

Bow your heads. Pray with millions of mothers the country over, as their hearts reach out over the seas, each one seeking out her boy, to protect him with the shield of her love.

Believe that in this world there is definite strength in decency and honor. Believe that in our devotion there is moral force. Believe that our will to victory will aid that victory.

Seek and ye shall find!
Let us seek added strength and fortitude for our men in our own sacrifice and devotion.

Let us focus every thought, every action, and every prayer on the boys fighting for us.

And while each one bends to his task with ever-growing fervor and energy, let us adopt a common symbol as our faith in Victory.

Let that Symbol be War Bonds. Let us pour our money in a gigantic flood of goodwill toward our sons and brothers, as a spiritual shield for them.

This is the Invasion. The lives of our boys are at stake. Let them see that the Soul of America is with them.

Let it not be too late . . . not next month, next week, or tomorrow, but today . . . now.

BUY YOUR INVASION BONDS TODAY

The Publishers.

COLLEGE FLIER REPORTED MISSING

**Albert B. Homan Lost
Over Germany on
Flight June 9**

Flight Officer Albert B. Homan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Homan of State College, R. D., has been reported missing in action over Germany since June 9. His parents learned of his disappearance from the U. S. War Department.

Flight Officer Homan, 26, a member of the crew on a four-motored Liberator bomber, who has been on a number of missions, has been overseas since the latter part of March of this year.

The county soldier was inducted into the service in April, 1941, when he was assigned to the infantry and stationed at Camp Croft, S. C. Later he was transferred to the Air Corps and took his training at camps in Nashville, Tenn., Courtland, Montgomery, and Decatur, Ala., and at the Stuttgart Army Air

base. For the second time since last November, Pfc. Theodore Ishler, 28, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther "Lew" Ishler, residing along the Jacksonville road seven miles east of Bellefonte, is in an Italian hospital recuperating from wounds received in battle, according to a War Department message received Sunday by his parents.

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COUNTY SUFFERS SECOND WOUND

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Has Leg Injury**

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Wounded in Invasion



Pfc. James O. Workman
Pvt. Workman, better known in the Zion area as "Wimpy," was reported slightly wounded in action in France on the second day of the invasion.

He is a son of William L. Workman, of Mingoville, and has been in the service nearly three years. He had been in England since September 1942.

**Completes 48 Missions
In South Pacific**
Sergeant George A. Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Y. Wagner, of Bellefonte, has completed 48 missions as gunner on a B-24 Liberator in the South and Southwest Pacific Overseas since June, 1943.

Sergeant Wagner received guiney instruction at Las Vegas, Nevada, and Salt Lake City, Utah. He is a graduate of Bellefonte High School and the Academy, and attended Lehigh University prior to entering the AAF in May, 1942.

Sergeant Wagner has been presented the Air Medal and Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal "for meritorious achievements while participating in aerial flights on combat operational missions of a hazardous nature." He is also entitled to wear the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon with three bronze stars, each denoting a major campaign.

**Court Files Opinion
In Separation Case**
In an opinion filed this week in the case of Martha B. Bardo vs. Wilber M. Bardo, Jr., the Centre county court ruled that a man paying support to his wife from whom he is separated, is required to continue making the payments regardless of his wife's personal actions.

The order lets forth that an agreement entered into between Mr. and Mrs. Bardo at the time of their separation, under which the husband is to pay \$50 a month to his wife "until she remarries," cannot be invalidated because of any other reasons, real or implied.

**Monument Girl
Is Struck by Car**
Gloria Merriman, 7, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin J. Merriman of Monument, was struck by a car driven by Samuel Hoeman of Monument while playing in an alley at the rear of her home at 8:30 Sunday night, running off from behind a coal shed directly into the path of the car.

She was taken to the office of a physician at Beech Creek for treatment of lacerations to the face, bruise and body bruises after which she was moved to the Lock Haven hospital for further treatment.

Pvt. Howard R. Harlock, of the Pleasant Gap State Police sub-station made the investigation.

**Gap Firemen Plan
Festival July 28-29**
The annual festival sponsored by the Pleasant Gap Fire Company will be held at Noll's Grove, Pleasant Gap, Friday and Saturday, July 28 and 29, it was announced yesterday.

Music on the 28th will be furnished by the Spring Mills Band, and on the 29th the Junior Legion Band of Bellefonte, will be present.

Post-war bargains will come to the buyer who is patient.

2815 Servicemen Registered to Date

**Military Ballot Canvass Nearing Completion;
Bellefonte Area Leads County; Elec-
tion Officials Receive Instructions**

With 2815 Centre countians in the armed forces already registered for military ballots, and with the house-to-house canvass completed in only three of the 18 county districts, John R. Doty, county director of the canvass, yesterday expressed belief that total registrations would exceed the 3,000 mark by a substantial margin.

Since the entire task is scheduled to be completed this weekend, Mr. Doty urged canvassers to complete their assignments at once and to submit the cards to his office for processing. The canvass is being conducted by a group of 72 county block leaders aided by other Civilian Defense workers.

In a review of registrations received to date, Mr. Doty said that so far the Bellefonte area leads with a total of 1537 persons being listed in military service. Second is the Philipsburg area with 561, and next comes State College with 500. Other area totals are Millheim, 153; Centre Hall, 98; and other counties, 6, making a total of 2815.

The canvass has been completed in Bellefonte and Port Matilda boroughs, and Patton township. The other 15 areas have not submitted their final reports.

Importance of finishing the task cannot be overemphasized, Mr. Doty pointed out, declaring that all cards must be in his office so they can be processed and sent to the respective election districts of the county on July 7, when election officials will meet from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. to carry out their role in providing those in the armed forces with an opportunity to vote.

Persons knowing of any countian who has not been registered after the canvass in any district is completed, are asked to get in touch at once with the sector block leader so that the canvass can be one hundred per cent accurate.

Registrations in each of the county boroughs and townships as of yesterday morning are listed as follows by Mr. Doty:

Bellefonte 547; Centre Hall, 24; Howard, 72; Milesburg, 66; Mill-

heim, 28; Port Matilda, 36; Philipsburg, 259; South Philipsburg, 23; Snow Shoe, 49; State College, 196; Unionville, 13.

Townships: Benner, 46; Boggs, 143; Burnside, 45; College, 29; Curtin, 37; Ferguson, 74; Green, 22; Haines, 28; Halfmoon, 29; Harris, 42; Howard, 36; Liberty, 67; Marion, 42.

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Wounded in Action



Pvt. Long, son of A. C. Long, of Blanchard, and Mrs. T. G. Leathers, of Howard, was wounded in France on June 7, the second day of the invasion, according to word received from the War Department.

Long, a former employe of the Piper Aircraft Company at Lock Haven, was a gunner and has been in the Army since February 21, 1942. He was assigned to the Infantry and in August of 1942 was sent to England, where he was stationed until the time of the invasion.

268 Tons of Paper Collected in County

Wastepaper salvage collections in Centre county during May totaled 268 tons, an average of 1.3 pounds per capita, R. J. Kennard of State College, chairman of the county salvage committee, announces. The county was one of 25 in the state which reached the state goal of 10 pounds or more per capita.

Collections throughout the state in May increased 5,244 tons or 11 per cent over April. The total was 43,528, or an average of 8.87 pounds per capita.

**Former Residents
Married 40 Years**
On Thursday, June 22, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, formerly of Milesburg, observed their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have been making their home for the past two years with their son, J. E. Smith and family in Phoenix, Va. Because of ill health Mr. Smith has not been able to work for the past 2 1/2 years. Mrs. Smith has been employed for some time as manager of a large dairy store in Hampton, Va., owned and operated by the Rosedale Dairies of Norfolk, Va.

LIBRARY TO HOLD CHILDREN'S HOUR

**Reader to Be in Charge of
Sessions Every Wed-
nesday Morning**
A story hour for children will be conducted at the library throughout the summer on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 by Miss Josephine Bathurst, who is in charge of work with intermediates at the Milesburg Presbyterian Church. All children are invited but the stories will be of particular interest to those in grades 1 to 4.

The Historical Museum on the second floor of the library building is open to the public on Saturday afternoon and evening (other days by appointment) in charge of Miss Mary Hunter Linn.

Newcomers to the community will find the following publications of interest: History of Centre County, by Thomas J. Mitchell; History of Bellefonte, by Ruth I. Kaye; Iron Industries of Centre County, by Thomas J. Mitchell. Copies of these pamphlets may be purchased at the library or may be drawn on any borrower's library card free of charge. The History of Centre and Clinton Counties, by John H. Linn, is a more detailed study in book form and may be used at the library only.

New books, periodicals, maps, and pamphlets are added weekly to the collection of the County library. All residents of Centre County are eligible to the use of the library and its services free of charge.

Boro Within 3 Horseshoes of Losing C. Baney

Bellefonte Borough faces a crisis from a new and unexpected source. Charlie Baney threatens to quit!

Charlie has kept the borough streets spic and span for more years than most of us can remember. Through the time-tested method of sweeping dust and debris into little piles and hauling the piles away in his horse-drawn wagon, it's all very simple and very effective.

"But look!" Charlie complains. "That horse has a shoe on only one foot. I can't get anyone to shoe the other three feet. His hoofs will wear away. He'll die. I'll quit!"

And that's the way it is.

**South Philipsburg Borough Hall
Withstands New Legal Assault**
The South Philipsburg Borough Hall is still the property of South Philipsburg, despite the latest efforts of a "purchaser" to claim the property as his own, according to a ruling by Judge Ivan Walker, filed in the offices of Prothonotary Bond C. White this week.

The tale behind the South Philipsburg Borough building is the story of a tax sale deed which the court holds was not executed according to definite laws provided by the Commonwealth in such cases.

Briefly, here's what happened. Harry Vaughn was original owner of the property and when he sold it to the Borough there were certain unpaid taxes. In course of time these taxes were entered at the County Treasurer's office, under Vaughn's name, and the property subsequently was sold at Treasurer's sale to the County Commission-

GIFTS RECEIVED BY LOCAL CHURCH

**Fund Established for Purchase of Chimes After
Close of War**

The celebration of the 100th anniversary of the organization of St. John's Lutheran Church came to a close Sunday with the celebration of the Holy Communion. At the morning service the pastor, the Rev. Clarence E. Arnold, announced gifts received in honor of the centennial of the church: A set of Ely silk stoles, a violet altar superfrontal with the fair linen, a pulpit antependia and four bookmarkers, robes for the choir and the acolytes, a church sign, an honor roll board, a service flag, tract rack, vestibule electric fixtures, and a basement electric fixture.

In addition a sum for the adding of chimes to the church organ has been provided and additional monetary gifts have been set up of between \$1500 and \$2000 for work to be done after the close of the war.

Recognition was given to twenty-eight members of the congregation who were received into communion.

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BOND DRIVE IN COUNTY LAGGING

**Millheim Area Leading
With 85% of Quota Filled
—Industries Strong**

With less than two weeks of the 5th War Loan Campaign remaining, Centre county yesterday was far short of its quota on all types of Bond sales, according to figures available from various sources, it was revealed by Claude G. Aikens, County War Finance Committee chairman.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, in a tabulation of county returns on sales of E bonds and other types of bonds sold to individuals, reported that of a Centre county quota of \$985,000, only \$286,000 have been sold, or 29 per cent of the quota. On other types of bonds sold to individuals the quota is \$1,953,000 and sales are \$423,000, or 22 per cent.

From a statewide view, the county sales are encouraging since the average for all counties of the state is 26 per cent of quotas on E bonds and 25 per cent on the other types.

In Bellefonte total sales of bonds to individuals including E bonds are \$250,446, and the quota is \$415,000. Sales by individual issuing agencies as reported by Malhon K. Robb, of the Banking and Finance group of the War Finance Committee are:

Bellefonte Trust Co. \$127,920
First National 115,106
Farmers National 1,363
Post Office 6,056
Total \$250,445

The Bellefonte quota for corporations (Continued on Page Seven)

Local Stores To Observe July 4th

Tuesday, July 4, will be a general holiday in Bellefonte business places. Stores, banks, the postoffice, and other business establishments will be closed all day. Mails will be dispatched as usual from the postoffice, but there will be no window service or deliveries. Postmaster Ebon Bower said.

Because of the holiday, Tuesday, stores and business places which ordinarily observe a half holiday Wednesday afternoons, will remain open all day Wednesday, July 5.

Named Manager of Shaffer Store Here

Russell G. Schaffer, of Altoona, has been named manager of the Allegheny street Shaffer store in Bellefonte, replacing T. B. Guyer, who recently resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. Schaffer will move to Bellefonte and will occupy the Walter Eberhart property on West Linn street. Mr. Guyer is to go to Woodbury, Bedford county, where he recently purchased the Baker grocery store.

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY BEAUTY QUEENS FOR 1944



The 1944 edition of "L'Agenda," Bucknell University yearbook which has just come from the press, features the photographs of the four comely co-eds pictured above. They were selected by Varga, well-known artist, as the four most beautiful senior women; at Bucknell. Miss Emily Lou Craig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Craig, of 19 West Curtin street, Bellefonte, was graduated from Bucknell Saturday, June 24. She is a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority and has served on the House of Representatives of the Women's Student Government Association at Bucknell.

William Coxe Store In Bellefonte Will Be Fifty Years Old On July 3rd

July 3, 1894—Just fifty years ago Monday—William C. Coxe, then a youth with broad experience in the woolen mills, railroad shops, and in grocery stores, took \$1,400 he had saved up from his earlier labors, and set himself up in the grocery business on West Bishop street, Bellefonte.

His store was located in the room now occupied by Angelo Genoa's tap room. Nine months later Mr. Coxe moved his store into what was known as the Brown Corner, where the Dan Grove garage now stands. On December 1, 1896, fire destroyed

the building and the entire stock. With only five cents in cold cash to his name, and muddled out of fire insurance through the dishonesty of an agent, "Coxe" as he is familiarly known, borrowed \$40 from the Buddinger store company at Snow Shoe and reopened his grocery in the location it has occupied ever since.

That, briefly, is the history of the W. C. Coxe grocery, which is nearing a half-century of existence under the ownership and management of its founder.

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