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Survivor of Plane

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the carrier, darkness fell, and as ettes.

plunged into the sea.

plane. Whiting, crippled by the plane and ship. earlier injury. of the sudden stop. The other men pated and recalling his \$75 a week that occasion. were unhurt.

"and not a darned match in the out. carrier to deliver a load of mail fit!" He discovered later that some You know what they did? They Crash Arrives Here friends from the same carrier fell awoke everyone on shipboard for into the sea several hundred miles mail call-and the guys loved it!" away and that on their raft they "V-mail isn't so popular with most As the plane was enroute back to had lots of matches and no cigar- men because it lacks the personal touch of the original." Whiting ex-

time wore on the fuel supply got The trio spent 16 hours on the plained. "A typewritten letter is also lower and lower. Finally, it became raft before a patrol plane spotted not popular for the same reason." apparent that they weren't going to them and sent aid. In the early On the serious side, Radioman make it back to the carrier. The hours the three were engaged in Whiting, who participated in such three kept a close watch on the alti- administering first aid to Whiting's historic battles as Baker Island, Tarmeter in order to judge the distance wounds. Then he and the fail gun- awa, Wake, Kwajalein, Truk, and between the plane and the ocean ner put in the rest of the time Guam, said the Japanese are odd in the pitch blackness below. The sleeping while the pilot kept watch. fighters. Sometimes they appear to meter erroneously indicated that The Bellefonte youth a shy young- be inordinately brave, and at other they were still a safe distance above ster with a keen mind and ready times they appear the opposite. the water when suddenly the plane wit, estimates that since he enlisted Their planes are flimsy and can't in the Navy on July 14, 1942, while take much punishment, he added.

Because none of the men expect- employed as an inspector in a war After leaving the United States ed the plunge so soon, they were plant at Elmira, N. Y., he has trav- for action in the South Pacific, thrown about in the cabin of the eled more than 200,000 miles by Whiting became a qualified "Shellback" when the ship passed over the suffered injuries to Looking back on the 23 South Pa- equator. The Navy issued him an both knees and both ankles because cific actions in which he partici- elaborately inscribed certificate on

job back in Elmira, he commented: During the early months of his Clambering out of the canopy of "I think I'd rather be the man be- service, he said, the carrier went to the doomed aircraft, the three men hind the man behind the gun!" Pearl Harbor for repairs and refuelinflated their life raft and climbed but he grinned when he said it. ing, and the men all longed to get aboard. The equipment of the raft The airman, who has been award- back to San Francisco. But later, included food and water, but dur- ed the Purple Heart and the Navy as the U.S. advanced its positions ing the entire time none of the men Air Medal for outstanding service, in the Pacific, the men got to look touched either, saving it in the said the Navy likes its men at sea on a trip to Pearl Harbor as being event they were not rescued soon. to get mail from home. "One morn- "way back home." For six months We had two packages of cigar- ing about 3 a.m." he related "a Whiting set foot on land on only ettes among us," Whiting recalls, destroyer pulled up alongside our one occasion, and then only for two

tions.

mented.

He has no idea of how many missions he flew, for in the Pacific, he explained, the air forces operate on different basis than in Europe. When not engaged in actual combat operations, the torpedo planes were often sent on routine patrols to spot enemy surface ships and land posi-

"We sighted a submarine once," Whiting related, "but when we got close to it we could tell by its superstructure that it was a U. S. yessel." When asked what effect torpedoes



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RECENTLY MARRIED



Miss Patricia Wheeler Schreiber, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Louis W. Schreiber, of Beverly Hills, Cal., and Thomas Joseph Bertram, son of Mrs. Joseph Bertram, of Bellefonte, are shown above shortly after their marriage June 30 in the Church of the 'Good Shepherd, Beverly Hills, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Bertram are residing in Glendale, Cal. Mr. Bertram is areonautical technical inspector for Curtiss-Wright

Complete Harvest Award Prizes In 240 Acres of Peas

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fired from his plane had against and Mrs. Charles Thompson, of East enemy targets. Whiting said that cannery in Hanover, where the peas information is a military secret, but are washed again. re-graded and Curtin street, was awarded \$3 for that the Navy is preparing a detailed canned. Most of this year's finished collecting the greatest number of account of his unit's achievements. product went to the armed forces. questionnaires in connection with "It will be good reading," he com- As an indication of the size of the the Bellefonte housing survey re-

cently conducted by the Bellefonte crop it is reported that an average Petty Officer Whiting received his of 17 tons of shelled peas a day were Chamber of Commerce. Others who received awards were guard. early training at Newport, R. I., and shipped from the Pleasant Gap then was sent to Floyd Bennett vicinity during the three-week har-then was sent to Floyd Bennett vicinity during the three-week har-Wiskit N Y For six months he was vesting season. Field, N. Y. For six months he was vesting season Field, N. Y. For six months he was on submarine patrol duty aboard a dive bomber in the Atlantic area be-fore being assigned to the Pacific. The loing of the peas is necessary because peas when chilled will turn sour in as little as an hour's time fore being assigned to the Pacific. He left for the latter assignment on unless kept chilled.

July 2. 1943. The vinery, which stands idle most of which Raymond Ammerman is Asked how he planned to spend of the year, was a place of intense scoutmaster, while the second winhis 30-day leave home. Gunner activity during the harvest season. ner is a member of Troop No. 2, of Whiting smiled, stretched, and com- When the crop began to come in, the Evangelical church whose scoutmented; "I'm going to get caught and before it was known how many master is Jesse Benner. up on my sleep.

men would be required to operate Results of the project made at Mill Hall. the equipment, Harold Breon, Spring the request of Bellefonte industries Mills school teacher who was in and the Chamber of Commerce were charge of the plant, and several successful.

4-H Club Meets

he Grange Fair. The next meeting

of the club will be held August 14

day." In other words, permitting form of a picnic for members and broke her right leg between

MEN

27 Men from Board other men worked 52 hours non-2 to Be Inducted stop until a regular crew of two 12hour shifts got into operation.

good advantage.

(Continued from page one) Joe Parada, Osceola Mills. Edward M. Gaffney, Mason City, wa (Bellefonte). them being boys 16 and 17 years old. 20 members and several parents parents. Sgt. Shaffer entered the

lowa (Bellefonte) Stewart E. Miller, Blanchard. Alvin T. Daughenbaugh, Ashland Howard). Farmers are paid for their crop by the weight of the shelled peas for the present. The meeting was in charge of the president, Ruth Grubb, Jack serving in the Signal Corps. Prior Stewart E. Miller, Blanchard, their acreage yields. Deductions are Keim gave a report on the 4-H Club to entering the armed forces he was Edwin R. Erickson, Philipsburg. made from the total if the company's Camp which he and Paul Stevens, employed as an electrician at the George H. Kane, Howard, harvesters and trucks are used in another member, attended recently. harvesting the peas, although the Glenn W. Ely, assistant county ag-farmer may cut and haul the vinca himself if he wishes. If a field is ably be exhibited in some form at Steve H. Yakich Port Matilda,

Emmett A. Witmer, Cleveland, O. Bellefonte) Gerald K. Kline, Bellefonte. level and free of stones.

Willard T. Royer, Milesburg.

Joseph Biggans, Clarence.

BROKEN SIZES!

Women's

ity, including Mr. Woodring and ture bride and groom. Mr. Keeler, realized that state of Pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Maurer affairs couldn't go on forever. The and of the guests were taken by final blow came when the slanting their niece, Mrs. Ralph Kelley, of rays of Friday morning's rising sun Ridley Park, Philadelphia.

shone upon the very dead remains Mrs. Maurer was the former Marof a trout which had leaped once garet Howard. Both Mr. and Mrs. too often during the night. So they called in the fish officials. They are the parents of eight chil-The officials called in a truck. Work-men scooped the trout out of the relief Maurer and Miss odor" (denture breath). Get FASbasins, loaded them into the truck Ethel Maurer, both of Alteona, and and returned them to the hatchery. Mrs. Zelda Smith, of Philadelphia,

Trout Refuse to

each fountain.

displayed ill-temper.

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The goldfish behaved beautifully,

playing about the pool and seeming perfectly contented. But the trout

from the moment they landed in the

iron basins, showed definite signs of

resentment. They switched angrily

about, refused to eat and otherwise

fountains. This kind of action dis- gifts.

can't live long out of water.

There were approximately a half dozen goldfish and five trout for MARRIED 50 YEARS

Celebrate Anniversary

at Rural Home

The net result: A half dozen orderly and complacent goldfish in each of the fountains.

bringing two of the planes down Sylvia Kay, of Pleasant Gap. with a Naval gun aboard the cargo Other guests and relatives were ship on which he was serving as a Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Buchanan an

daughter Marjorie, who is Mr. an In that service he has visited Mrs. Maurer's only great-grand pleted two trips to England. He Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Maurer, Mrs. spent the weekend with his parents. Luke Bloom, Mrs. Nannie Mercer Mr. and Mrs. James Rager and fam- Mrs. Sheldon Burns and daughter Nancy and Delene, Mrs. Calvin Bu

Seaman Charles Rager, who is chanan, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cogas No. 35. of the Logan fire company 35, and who entered the service on and granddaughter Norma, Mrs. An April 20 of this year, spent the time thur Peterman and children, Joh and Carol. Robert McCune, Mr. and Huntingdon of Howard, R. D., and Mrs. Clarence Meckley, all of Al their daughter, at their home in toona; Mrs. Ralph Kelley and chil dren, Connie and Stanley, of Phila

delphia: Mrs. James Meckley and children, James and Virginia, of J Goes to FL Riley T/Sgt. Guy E. Shaffer, son of Mr. lian, R. D. There were 46 prese and Mrs. William D. Shaffer, of including Mr. and Mrs. Maurer.

Zion, recently was transferred from Lack of gasoline keeps a lot of The regular meeting of the Pine Camp Crowder, Mo., to Pt. Riley, All the 44 men employed at the Grove Mills 4-H Club was held re- Kansas, and returned to his duties people from taking trips that they July 27, 1944.

Be Decorations JULIAN R. D. COUPLE YMCA Swimming Pool to Open To **Pool to Open Today**

The swimming pool in the Belleonte YMCA will be opened for use oday, it was announced by officials. The pool has not been in use for ome time

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Maurer Under a tentative schedule announced by Philip H. Johnston, who is in charge of the men's activities, and Miss Eleanor Dobelbower, who will supervise the women's activities, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Maurer, Tuesday and Thursdays will be reformer residents of Altoona, but who served for women and girls and

By Thursday the goldfish had the for the past twenty-four years have Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays appearance of having always been lived on a farm at Julian. R. D. 1, will be reserved for men and boys. in the fountains, but the trout were Centre county, celebrated their 50th It is planned to open the pool to increasingly restless. They got to wedding anniversary with their chil- boys under 12 years on the three leaping out of the pool and landing dren, relatives and friends, on Tues- days from 10 to 11 a.m. Boys from on the grass where they flopped day, June 27. Mr. and Mrs. Maurer 12 to 16 may use the pool from 3 to about under the spray cast from the received many useful and beautiful 4 p. m. those days, and the evenings

will be reserved for men. turbed Recorder Leamer R. Wood- At the supper hour, Mr. and Mrs. Girls up to 12 years will have ring, who as a fisherman from way Maurer, arm in arm to the strains Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 to back realized that even angry trout of the wedding march, led the pro- 11 a. m.; those from 12 to 16 will cession to the lawn where a well have the same days from 3 to 4 p. So Recorder Woodring braved the laden picnic table was decorated m., and the pool is reserved for

cold spray and spent most of Thurs- with beautiful flowers. In the center women, Tuesday and Thursday day afternoon catching trout as of the table was a large and delic- nights. This schedule is subject to they leaped from the basins, and lous wedding cake, baked by their revision, officials said. throwing them back into the water. daughter, Mrs. Sylvia Langhorn. On Practically everyone in the vicin- the top of the cake stood a minia-

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be sprinkled on ds false teeth plates, he in place. Do not slide, slip, or rock. No gummy, gooey, pasty taste or feeling. FASTEETH is slikaline (non Maurer were reared in Juniata Gay.

illes who attended are: Mr. and Mrs Harry Langham and daughter Merlyn, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Maurer and General daughter Dorothy, all of Julian, R D.; Mr. and Mrs. George Buchanas Glenn Maurer and son Dale, all o Auctioneering ! Altoona; Mr. and Mrs. Arthu Schenck and daughters Elaine and

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(Howard)

cultivation of peas of high quality. The average yield of shelled peas -Buy More War Bonds to help per acre was from 1% to 1% tons. speed Victory! while some farmers produced more

than two tons per acre. Next year t is planned to morease the acre-

at harvest time is so essential

Mr. Breon said the past season-

harvesting machines can be used to

ity. That's the reason the fast work joyed by all.

Mr. Breon said that from a finanial standpoint the growing of peas ems to be satisfactory to the paricipating farmers. As a crop it pays well, he claimed.

During the past season Clair Alson served as general overseer of the Pleasant Gap plant for the Hanover company, while Allen R. Wareheim, son of Harry Wareheim, president of the Hanover company, was general manager of the local plant.

Pleasant Gap **Merchant Dies**

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soon occupied so much of hi time that several years ago he sold the store stock and rented the room to Chester Rote. Since then he had devoted his entire time to radio work, and his shop became well known throughout a radius of neary a hundred miles.

Mr. Stitzer always was interested in civic affairs and at the time of his death was a member of the Spring township school board. He was a member of the F. & A. M. at Centre Hall and of the Consistory at Williamsport,

Surviving are his wife, the former Besse Williams, of Scotia; three children, Mrs. Charles Keiser, of New Bloomfield; Cpl. Harold Stitzer, of Camp Carson, Colo., and Mrs. William Waite, now at home during her husband's service in the armed Also surviving are three grandchildren and two sisters and a brother: Mrs. Frank Bitner, of Mill Hall: Mrs. Albert Beck, of Clintondale, and Harry A. Stitzer, of Hublersburg.

Of a courteous and friendly disposition, and endowed with characeristics of generosity and absolute ntegrity, Mr. Stitzer had a host of friends throughout this area. His skill and his workmanship in building radio equipment were known far and wide. Funeral services were held at the

home yesterday afternoon, with Rev. Donald Raup officiating. Interment was made in the Pleasant Gap

Sgt. John L. Barr and wife, of Cape Charles, Va., spent the weekand with his mother, Mrs. Lydis Barr, at her home in Julian





JULIAN