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Jesse Adler Looks at the NEWS

SONG dedicated to Hitler (to be sung at a large) "The G-Eyes of the World Are Upon You!"

INCIDENTALLY, the soldiers are singing a new parody: "The First Time I See Paris."

TELEGRAM from Gen. Eisenhower to Goebbels: "Everything Going—Nice too!"

REPUBLICAN Leader Sen. Taft accuses the Army of being "unduly anxious for soldiers to vote!" Seems to me that's one of the things (and he's one of the people) they're fighting for!

AND if Taft doesn't think they want to vote he must be confusing the average Yank with a Jerk.

OR MAYBE he's afraid of too many G. Ayes for F. D. R.!

DR. H. E. ROBERTSON of the Mayo Foundation claims you'll live longer if you keep a diary. With one minor precaution—keep it in braille.

FRANCES LANGFORD, commenting on her husband's injuries including a broken nose, said "They made a mountain out of a molehill." Well, that's one name for it!

HEADLINE: "Nazi Hitler's in Trap." We always said Hitler'd be caught with his Panzers down!

AT A RODEO in Ada, Oklahoma, there's a bronc named F. D. R. nobody has been able to ride. Evidently there are no Republicans in Oklahoma—or everybody d ride F. D. R.

WARDEN HARRIS of the Utah State Prison warned rosters yelling for their favorite jail team not to yell "We Wuz Robbed" during ball games. Both umpires, he explained were going time for robbery!

THE Berlin radio has been jammed lately by a heckler who interrupts and then derides everything the Nazi commentators broadcast. Sounds like Leo Durocher's got a new assignment.

QUOTE of the Week: "The war news makes you feel pretty good if you don't stop to think how many Americans are dying to make it good!"

BUGS BAER says he'd rather jingle small change than rustle paper money—he has an ear for music.

SATAN collapsed in New York last week from the heat. Which sounds like Hell 'til you remember Satan's just a North African 4-legged vulture.

IN BROOKLYN a beggar, when arrested, had \$35 in cash and a bank book showing deposits of \$1,200. Imagine asking for bread with all that dough in your kick.

A 19-year-old Cuban was found guilty of stealing a woman's ring in a N. Y. hospital, when the doctors put him under a fluoroscope and the evidence disclosed he had swallowed the loot. The police will pump him further.

THE engineer of the Indiana Women's Prison was almost arrested when he was caught climbing a wall to get into prison. Seems he lost his keys.

NEXT time you complain: "Aren't they ever going to stop War Bond Drives?" Just think what would happen to us if our soldiers and sailors said: "Aren't they ever going to stop these Invasions?"

Local Woman Suffers Second Hip Fracture

Mrs. J. Frank Smith, of the Petrakin apartments, West High street, who recently returned home from the Centre County Hospital where she underwent treatment for a fracture of the left hip, fell at her apartment about 4 p. m. last Thursday and fractured her right hip.

The accident happened when a cane Mrs. Smith was using slipped and caused her to fall to the floor as she was moving into bed from a wheel chair. She was removed to the hospital in the Widdowson ambulance.

The elderly woman suffered the first fracture in June in a fall at her apartment.

CATCHES 7 1/2-POUND CARP IN STONE CREEK

Guy Springer of State College last Monday caught a seven and one-half pound carp measuring 26 inches in Stone Creek near its junction with the Juniata at Huntingdon.

Mr. Springer, fishing for bass with a bounce rod hooked the big one about 10 p. m. With only 60 feet of line he had a battle royal for 20 minutes until his companion, Walter Passmore, also of State College, helped him beach the carp. Mr. Passmore, up to his boot-tops in the stream, made two vain efforts to grasp the fish before he was able to run his fingers down the line and get hold of the gills. Bait used was a night-crawler. A neighbor of Mr. Springer's enjoyed a baked carp dinner as a result of it all.

STALLED CAR HIT BY TRAIN AT CURTIN

When his car stalled on the tracks of the railroad crossing at Curtin at 11:35 p. m. last Monday, Justice Watkins, 49, of Howard, R. D., upon hearing the whistle of a freight train some distance away and unable to move the car, ran about a quarter of a mile toward the train to try to flag it.

C. F. Meese of Osceola Mills, engineer on the train, saw the man and attempted to stop but was unable to do so. The train hit the car and carried it about 700 feet down the track, demolishing it.

Mr. Watkins, who was driving a Ford roadster, was on his way home from Bellefonte. Police from the Pleasant Gap sub-station investigated the accident.

State Police Are Probing Highway Fatality of Man Killed Near Houtzdale

Accident Occurs on Clearfield Side of County Division Line; Victim Was On His Way Home From Work When Struck

State Police are continuing their investigation of the highway fatality early Friday morning, a half mile south of Houtzdale, which cost the life of 20-year-old John Dombrosky, of Morann, Clearfield county.

Dombrosky suffered a fractured skull when he was struck by an automobile at 12:20 o'clock Friday morning. He was first taken to a Houtzdale physician and removed at once to the Phillipsburg State hospital. He was admitted at 1:15 a. m. and died at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Since the victim died in Centre county and the accident occurred in Clearfield county, Coroner Charles G. Shecker of Millsburg was called on the case. He will collaborate with Coroner Dr. E. S. Erhard of Curwensville in an effort to determine where the blame is to be placed.

State Police reported that the victim was walking along the road on his way home from work and that he yelled that he wanted a ride when a car driven by J. J. Hippo, of Juniata, passed. Hippo, it is said stopped to pick the walker up and Dombrosky started toward the car but just as he reached it or got on the car, another car allegedly driven by Joseph John Kline, 20, of Houtzdale, struck the man and side-swiped the stopped car.

A new angle was injected into the case Sunday, when Kline telephoned the investigating police officers and told them that he had not been driving the car which struck Dombrosky.

Andrew Petrusky, 21, of Brishin, the owner of the 1937 Studebaker sedan, was described as the actual driver at the time of the accident. Kline and a Thompson, 29, also of Houtzdale, were occupants of the car.

Kline told State Police that after the accident the three went on down the road and turned around and came back and that while they were turning one of the others suggested that he take the wheel as he had not been drinking and that the other two had been. He phoned to admit that he had not been telling the truth when questioned earlier.

The victim was employed at the Osceola Mills brickyard and was on his way home from work when he was struck. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dombrosky, of Morann.

Lodge Moves to New Quarters Fraternal Order of Eagles Now Housed in Plaza Building

The Fraternal Order of Eagles lodge which had occupied rooms in the John G. Brown building on South Spring street, Bellefonte, since organizing last November, moved its quarters last week to its new quarters in the Plaza building on West High street.

The present quarters of the lodge were built and used as a theatre for a number of years until about ten years ago when the Wolf Fur company leased it as a store. The Wolf company moved to its new quarters this month when they purchased the Nagney building on S. Allegheny street.

The large room which is 270 feet long and 26 feet wide is now being decorated by Andrew Carter of Mr. and Kenneth Franks of Bellefonte. He is assisting many members of the lodge. A color scheme of light blue, peach and cream is being used throughout the building which covers about 4,000 square feet.

The first room upon entering the building will be a lounge room while most of the remaining space will be used as social and dance room with a stage for musicians to be built at one end of the room. A large mezzanine at the rear of the building will be used as a meeting room. An air-conditioning unit is expected to be installed.

Officers of the lodge which has a membership of about 300, are as follows:

Lawrence L. Auman, president; Arthur Houck, vice president; Leroy Reside, secretary; Fred Coslo, treasurer; Willis McKinley, chaplain; J. R. Goodhart, worthy conductor; Fred Tressler, inside guard; Robert Broome, trustee for three years.

Fred Feakik is junior past worthy president; A. A. Kohlbecker, trustee for two years, and B. J. Gryctok, trustee for the year.

POSITIONS OPEN IN COMMUNICATION SERVICE

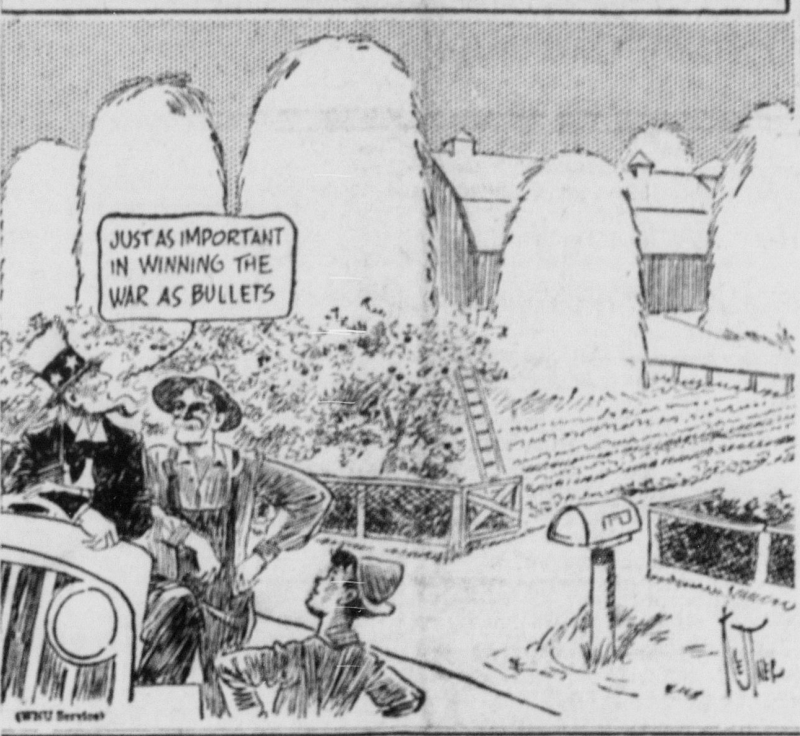
A class for Aircraft Communication Trainers will begin October 2 in New York and applications are now being received for the class. Applications should be made by means of a notarized Civil Service application Form 57, obtainable at Civil Service Regional Offices and at First and Second Class Post Offices.

After a six-month training period, trainees, who are expected to remain in the service at least two years, will be assigned to any location required by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. The work week is usually 48 hours, and overtime is paid for duty in excess of 40 hours a week. Starting salary is \$1,800, and a differential of 25 per cent is allowed for duty at stations outside the continental limits of the United States.

Persons applying must have reached their 19th birthday, but must not have passed their 40th birthday. Further information may be obtained by getting in touch with R. R. Hill, chief aircraft communicator at the Bellefonte Airport.

Still Seeking Learning Uncle Sam's doughboys are a studious lot. In the past year the Pennsylvania State College has received nearly 5,000 inquiries from overseas regarding correspondence courses.

Food Arsenals of the World



Limit Lumber For Home Repair Use 2 Men Held For Gasoline Theft

Fire, Flood, Tornado, Are Considered Emergency Cases

Home owners needing lumber for repair work will not be given preference ratings to assist them in obtaining lumber except in extreme emergency cases. Manager I. Walter Sell of the Johnstown District office of the War Production Board announced.

In general, damage caused by dwellings by fire, flood, tornado, earthquake, storm or similar catastrophe is considered justification for emergency ratings when damage is of such a nature as to make the dwellings unfit for continued occupancy. Examples of such damage are: leaks in the roof, weakening of the framework, separation of lateral supports from the main supports of the structure, broken joists or risers.

Deterioration of lumber because of wear and tear will not be considered an emergency need for lumber if the parts to be replaced will function without repairs for at least another three months.

Application for emergency ratings to obtain lumber for emergency repairs should be made to the Federal Housing Administration field office, Oliver Building, Pittsburgh, on form WPB-2896, and must show that the extent of the damage is such that the dwelling is unfit for use unless repaired.

Brother and Sister Meet Claude F. Fisher, 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Fisher of East Lamb street, Bellefonte, and his sister, Mrs. Charles Koch of San Diego, met recently in San Diego, after not having seen each other for one and one-half years.

Seaman Fisher enlisted in the Navy on January 21, 1944. His sister, the former Kathryn Fisher, moved to San Diego in 1942 and had seen none of her family until this time.

Port Matilda To Have Flower Show Bellefonte Man Injured in Fall

Roy Baylet in Williamsport Hospital After Accident

Roy Baylet, 43, former Bellefonte businessman, is in Williamsport hospital recovering from injuries suffered last week when he fell a distance of 30 feet from the roof of a building which he was painting.

Mr. Baylet sustained a fractured right shoulder, several ribs fractured and a slight concussion. He was taken to the hospital in an ambulance.

Until about two years ago Mr. Baylet conducted a garage collection business in Bellefonte and after that time was employed in Akron, O., and in Delaware.

Early this year he and his brother-in-law, Albert Smith, opened a plumbing business in Williamsport. His condition is improving, members of the family report.

Osceola Boy Makes Supreme Sacrifice

Pfc. Raymond Sokol, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sokol, of Frenchtown, Osceola Mills, was killed in action August 2, in the theatre in France, according to word received Sunday, August 20, from the War Department.

He had served in the United States Army three years and seven months and was overseas one year of that period. He received his basic training at Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla.

A native of Frenchtown, Osceola Mills, he was born October 27, 1918. Two brothers are serving overseas, Pvt. Joe Sokol, in New Guinea, and Pvt. Frank Sokol, somewhere overseas.

Grain Field Burned Near Flemington

Fire, starting in a hay field, also burned through a wheat field at the Fred Pringle farm near Flemington Friday afternoon, and threatened an oats field.

The Lock Haven Hope Hose Co. and the Flemington Good Will Hose Co. responded to the alarm and the latter company put into use for the first time its new Mack pumper with its 200-gallon booster tank to extinguish the flames. Lock Haven stood by to protect homes in the Hill-view addition at Flemington.

The fire occurred about 800 feet from the Pringle house and barn.

Nine-Year-Old Altoona Lad Slain By Brother While Playing 'Soldier'

Melvin Browand Instantly Killed by 30-30 Rifle Bullet in Accidental Shooting; Gun Supposed to be 'Empty'

A game of "attack and capture soldier" ended in tragedy Saturday evening when a 9-year-old boy was accidentally shot by his brother at their east end home in Altoona, and was pronounced dead upon arrival at the Altoona hospital.

Melvin Earl Browand, 9, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Browand, would have celebrated his tenth birthday today, Thursday.

The lad was shot by his brother, Paul, 16, who was not aware that the gun was loaded. Melvin, known as "Buddy," was playing with some other youngsters and they had enlisted the aid of Paul, in the game of "attack and capture soldier."

Members of the family stated that the boys had raced from the downstairs to the second floor and that Paul had thrown himself across the bed and reached for the gun that was in the wardrobe.

One little boy shouted "boom" and ducked his head. Paul aimed the gun at him and it clicked. Buddy shouted "boom" and Paul aimed the gun. The 30-30 rifle discharged, sending a bullet into the child's head.

An Altoona Tribune reporter called at the home Sunday and learned that "Buddy" had had all his clothes laid out for Sunday school and his shoes nearby, before he and the other lads started their game.

Soldiers were close to the little fellow's heart for he has a brother, Kenneth, serving with the armed forces somewhere in the South Pacific. Not long ago, "Buddy" mailed Kenneth a Bible which he had won this summer in Bible school.

The parents and five brothers and sisters survive.

Prisoner Tries To Kill Self In Cell

Clinton County Man Is Unsuccessful at Suicide Attempt

An unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide by cutting his throat at the Clinton county jail at Lock Haven was made Saturday morning by "Tom" H. Miller, who was committed to the institution earlier in the week to serve 30 days for being drunk and disorderly.

Miller was one of four men, incarcerated at the jail on "drunk and disorderly" charges, who were put to work on the lawn at the institution Friday afternoon. Miller walked away. Later he boarded a slow train bound for Renovo, but instead of going to that town he got off the freight and went to the home of relatives in Flemington, where he tried to get some money. They refused to give it to him, advising him to go back to jail.

Records show that Miller is a "repeat" customer at the jail and this is the third or fourth time since the first of the year that he has been jailed for the same offense. He is married and a father.

Chester Hill Soldier Killed In France

S/Sgt. Charles W. Humphrey, Jr., 37, of Chester Hill, near Philipsburg, was killed in action in France on July 30, according to information received by family members last week. He was a son of Charles W. and the late Kathryn Humphrey, and was an outstanding athlete during his high school days.

In addition to his father, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters:

Howard, at home; Madeline, wife of R. E. Watt, Altoona; Evelyn, wife of Clarence Behmer, Detroit; George of Philipsburg; Kathryn, wife of Leonard Friedrich, Monaca, Pa. Maxine, of the Woman's Army Corps, stationed at the army air base at Albers, Okla.

Clarence Native Ordained as Priest

Rev. George P. Zetts, a native of Clarence, was ordained to the priesthood last Tuesday at ordination ceremonies at the Society of the Divine Word Seminary at Techny, Ill.

The newly-ordained priest, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Zetts, is a half-brother of Mrs. Mary Palinkas of West Linn street, Bellefonte, and has other relatives in the Clarence area.

Rev. Zetts will solemnize his first mass at St. Bernard's Catholic church, Akron, Ohio, Sunday, August 27, after which a reception will be held in the church rooms. The young priest's collegiate course for ordination to the priesthood and his special field of foreign missions called for 12 years of intensive study.

No Room For Them Only one of every three women applicants has been admitted to the Pennsylvania State College this year because of limited housing facilities.

SOUR NOTE

On his radio program Sunday, October 4, 1942, Drew Pearson predicted that Wendell Willkie would be a Democratic candidate for President in 1944. Could be, but there's no signs now.

INVENTORS: Art Boob, Logan Fire Chief and employe of the Borough Water Department, and Phil Baylor, borough manager, are getting quite a collection of home-made power tools at the water works at the Big Spring.

Using mostly scrap materials, Art, who recently received a vote of thanks from Council for putting auto wheels on an emergency fire-pump provided the borough by the Federal Government, has built a gasoline-driven mower, an electrically driven law trimmer, an electric drill press, electric machine, electric grinder, and several other devices to aid in the work of the department. The motor used to drive the bench grinder is an scrap one salvaged from an airplane.

ANNIVERSARY: Saturday, August 5, when Auctioneer L. Frank Mayes, of Lemont, cried a public sale of the household goods of the late Mary E. Payne, in Lemont, was the fourth time he had been in charge of a sale at the same house and it was at that house just 38 years ago that he cried his first sale. In 1906 Frank went to a sale scheduled there and was in the crowd when the auctioneer hired for the occasion failed to put in an appearance. Friends persuaded Mr. Mayes to act as a substitute, and he's been at the business ever since.

ODDITY: A friend pointed out, the other day, a seeming oddity about infantile paralysis, the dread malady which is now quite prevalent at this time. Despite the fact that the disease is generally supposed to be most contagious, the friend pointed out that from many years of observing its action, she has never heard of more than one person in any family being infected. There may be something in that observation which may turn out to be the key to the spread of the disease—if only someone had the knowledge and inspiration to grasp it!

Maybe you wonder sometimes why local newspapers don't carry more stories of interviews with men who are home from the battlefronts—men who fly airplanes, men who serve on warships, men who ride tanks, and just plain soldiers who have risked their lives a hundred times on the battlefields. It isn't because the newspapers don't want such stories. It is because they can't get them. The armed forces, it is reported, have a course called "S-2" in which men in the service are told what they may say and what they may not say about their experiences. This course is here to testify that if what we learned in classrooms remained with us as effectively as "S-2" stays with service men, we'd be a whole lot smarter now than we are.

NOT SCANDAL: Various persons have asked what the "confidential reports" are that are mentioned in the police reports submitted to Borough Council. Here's what they are. When Bellefontes enter the armed forces, or get jobs away from home, routine checks sometimes are made upon their character, their abilities, etc. in the home town, to determine whether they're eligible for certain jobs, or suitable for promotion. Requests for such information are made to the police department.

GLIDERS: This corner hereby warns you soft hearted fathers against permitting your youngsters to buy a certain type of toy glider now on sale locally. They cost 15 cents, and you suspect they can be assembled in a few minutes. You imagine they'll break in a few hours, and that peace will again descend on your household. The things require hours of patient toil to put together, but once they are assembled they're most durable. Even if they break they can be patched up forever with a little cement. We've fished them out of trees off of roofs, got Eddie Widdowson to turn out Sunday with

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SOCIAL SECURITY WHAT IT MEANS TO YOU

(No. 5 of a Series of six)

"Upon the death of a worker who has the necessary quarters of coverage monthly benefits may be payable to his family," John D. Teasdale, manager of the Williamsport office of the Social Security Board, points out.

"The Old-Age and Survivors Insurance provisions of the Social Security Act provide monthly payments for children under 18 of an insured worker who dies," Mr. Teasdale explains. "Also included for benefits are step-children and adopted children, under certain conditions."

"The widow, regardless of her age, may also receive monthly payments while she has such children in her care. The widow's benefit is equal to three-fourths of the worker's primary insurance benefit and each child's is equal to one-half of the primary insurance benefit. There are limits, however, to the maximum which may be paid on one worker's account."

"As previously explained, widows at age 65 or more may be entitled to monthly benefits, whether or not she has dependent children in her care. A widow who had received benefits because of having a young child in her care may receive benefits again upon reaching 65.

"If a qualified worker dies leaving no widow or child under 18, his dependent parents may receive monthly benefits upon reaching age 65. "The monthly benefits to children under 18 and to a widow with such children in her care may be payable even if the worker had earned wages of \$50 or more in only six quarters out of the twelve calendar quarters just before the quarter in which he died."

The lump sum payable if an insured worker leaves no survivors qualified for monthly benefits will be explained by Mr. Teasdale in the August 24 issue of The Centre Democrat.

If you have any questions about the Social Security Act, Mr. Teasdale invites you to call at or write to the Williamsport office of the Social Security Board, Williamsport, Pa.