

Jesse Adler Looks at the NEWS

IF DEWEY really wants an audience, how about rounding up the gag writers for Jack Benny, Bob Hope and Fred Allen. It would win him a lot of extra votes at the polls—the Crosby polls.

SO FAR the Russians have captured 47 German Generals. That's almost enough to supply a uniformed doorman to every night club in New York.

MRS. ANN WISSOTZKY had her husband, Harry, arrested for being \$1007 in alimony arrears while he bathed at a Russian bath. The judge told him to "sweat it out" and at this writing he's still steaming.

A BROOKLYN hospital announces that the recent hurricane cured most hay fever sufferers of their allergy. Seems to me that's doing it the hard way!

SIGN in Brooklyn Dodge dressing room (but not for long): "Come Out of the Cellar—the Air Raid Alert is Off!"

ADD Description: Peeping Tom: A wolf window-shopping!

GEORGE J. POLLACK of Long Island City was arrested by the FBI for draft dodging. Pollack explained he had 3 wives to support. One war at a time, huh, bub!

THE Rev. D. J. Jones of Taunton (Eng.) adopted his wife's name, claiming there were too many Joneses in the phone directory. Tired of Keeping Up With the Joneses?

HE'OLINE: Finland Ready to Fight Nazis: Tch, teh, teh. Now Hitler can't even borrow a Finn!

A N. Y. AUTOIST got a ticket for smashing into a water hydrant while driving with his arms around his girl. He got off with a suspended sentence when he showed the judge his girl's picture and asked: "Under these conditions, Your Honor, would you please your clutch?"

WOODY HERMAN, the band leader, wrote a song dedicated to his maid titled "Stay-A-While." She liked it so much she did.

TWO MARINES, scrapping on 42nd Street, smashed into an Adler Shoe window. "I wonder," wondered a passerby out-loud, "if they've got Marine insurance!"

EARL WILSON claims the reason Bobby Soxers are all out for F. D. R. is that they've heard "The Solid South" is for him.

TO RELIEVE the shortage of lumber, how about making a national forest out of John L. Lewis' eyebrows.

PEGLER, in the Journal, takes up the cudgel in behalf of the Negro "apologizing" for seeming to sound like his arch-rival neighbor, Eleanor. Well, Pegler may try to be frank but only Eleanor can marry one.

THE next time you complain about laundry service, think of the poor Chinese—they've been at war now for 14 years.

FOR your Scrap Book: News is the same thing that happened yesterday happening today—but to different people.

Former Rebersburg Minister's Wife Dies

Mrs. Salome S. Scherter, wife of the Rev. J. R. Scherter, pastor of the Evangelical church at Wellsville, died at her home Sunday afternoon, Sept. 16. She had become ill while teaching a Sunday school class that morning.

Her husband, the Rev. Mr. Scherter, formerly presided over the Evangelical congregation at Rebersburg.

Funeral services were held in the Wellsville Evangelical church Friday afternoon and burial was made at Myerstown.

CENTRE COUNTY HOSPITAL IN THE WEEK'S NEWS

Monday of Last Week

Admitted: Miss Margaret Hecker, Lemont; Helen Runkle, Bellefonte; Mrs. Carl Harpster, State College, R. D.

Discharged: Mrs. Irwin A. Weaver and infant son, Bellefonte; Mrs. Gerald Johnson and infant son, Spring Mills; Mrs. J. Fred Neff and infant daughter, Bellefonte; R. D.; Mrs. Donald S. Waite and infant daughter, Pleasant Gap.

Tuesday of Last Week

Admitted: Mrs. John R. Shope, Bellefonte; Margaret Kachonik, Clarance.

Discharged: Mrs. Larry M. Justice and infant daughter, Bellefonte; Mrs. Samuel McClintic and infant daughter, Pleasant Gap; Mrs. John S. Egli and infant daughter, State College.

Wednesday of Last Week

Admitted: Mrs. Harrison Duke-man, Howard, R. D. 2; Miss Pauline Brown, Bellefonte, R. D. 3.

Discharged: Mrs. Richard Noll and infant son, Bellefonte; Mrs. Edgar Eckley and infant son, Bellefonte, R. D. 1.

Thursday of Last Week

Admitted: Miss Dorothy Davis.

J. W. Brungart Relates Incidents of His Early Years in Brush Valley

Some Interesting Reminiscences by a Member of Well Known Centre County Family. Had Varied Employment Experience



J. W. Brungart and Family

Believing that old friends like to hear from old friends, J. W. Brungart, a long-time reader of the Centre Democrat, delves into the past to send us some interesting reminiscences of his early years in the county.

Woman Hurt as Furnace Explodes

Altoona Housewife Receives Minor Face Injuries From Blast

An Altoona woman escaped serious injury Saturday when, through undetermined origin, the furnace at her home blew up, and she was struck on the face by pieces of steel.

Centre County Tops Scrap Paper Quota

Centre county was one of the 13 counties in Pennsylvania which collected more than 125 pounds of paper per capita during the paper salvage drive in August, R. J. Kennard, chairman for Centre County reported this week. A total of 60,471 tons was collected by the 67 counties of the state during the month, he said.

Fix Robbery As Motive In Murder

Believe Farmer Was Slain in Lyscoming County For Small Sum

Robbery has been determined as the motive of James E. Buckley, of Bath, N. Y., soldier being held in the Lyscoming county jail, in the slaying of Vincent Nowakowski, Blossburg farmer, Joseph P. Kellier, district attorney, of Lyscoming county, announced.

Parents Visit

Buckley, one of a family of six and a veteran of four years of service with the armed forces, was permitted to see and talk with his parents last week but always in the presence of authorities.

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Socket!!!

By Henry W. Shoemaker in Altoona Tribune

Says J. W. "Bill" Shelby, "Sage of Ghost Ridge" and able chronicler of Perry county folklore: "Captain John Smith, of near Lysville, was the king of Perry county drovers during the nineteenth century. He took the biggest flocks of sheep and herds of cattle, horses and hogs through Perry's wilds and left almost a perfect record for prompt and safe deliveries."

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Centre Hall Man Receives Honor

Featuring the final session of a joint meeting of the Pennsylvania Nutrition Council and the State Defense Council Activities in Harrisburg, Saturday, Mrs. Edward Martin, wife of the governor, presented a war bond to Robert L. Rhodes, of Centre Hall, who was selected by the defense organization as "Mr. Pennsylvania War Worker" in recognition of his civilian service to the nation.

Death-Defying Thrills at Bloomsburg Fair

One of the climaxes of Bloomsburg's record-breaking fair, now in progress, will be the automobile thrill show of Saturday afternoon, September 30, when at least a dozen old cars will be smashed in a score of death-defying feats.

Drama Section In Fall Meeting

The Drama Section of the Bellefonte Women's Club held its first fall meeting at the home of Mrs. Alexander Brown, on North Thomas street, last Wednesday night.

Sgt. Edmiston Writes From German Camp

Reported by the War Department as missing in action January 12, this year, and a month later reported a prisoner of war in Germany, Staff Sgt. William J. Edmiston last week personally confirmed the latter report on a card written to his mother, Mrs. Nellie Edmiston and her daughter, Betty, of South Spring street.

Saved From Sinking

Russell Shott, torpedoman 3.c. son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Shott, formerly of Renovo, is a patient in the Norfolk, Va., naval hospital. He was a member of the crew of the destroyer USS Warrington, which was sunk in the Atlantic hurricane.

Sunday School Rally

A Sunday School rally will be held at the Summit Hill church, Curtin township, at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon, October 8. Everybody welcome.

Narrator Tells of Captain John Smith, Noted Perry County King of Drovers

Relates Incidents of Lewis the Robber, Who Is Described as a Perfect Dandy; Held Sway Over the Fair Sex

By Henry W. Shoemaker in Altoona Tribune

"John's" forerunners were among those Perry countians who migrated from the old domain, and would never deny but that he was some kin or other of Princess Pocohontas' boy friend. Like the great navigator, Perry John Smith, as he was called, liked Indian maids. There were a few in those days back against the mountain at Newburg and Neville he always visited on his peregrinations.

"I've been accused of being hard-boiled," said Captain John, "but if I am, why do I carry a certain lady's glove next to my heart for 18 years?" Asked why he never married, his dark southern eyes twinkled merrily. "I would not commit bigamy for anybody."

"One night after delivering his critters at Carlisle, he was returning home through Doubling Gap with \$600 in his jeans when he heard moans and groans at the side of the road. Just then a stranger jumped out and seized the bridle of Jupiter,

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Random Items

STYLES: After looking over the clothing being worn by many Bellefonte High School girls, i. e. slacks turned up at the cuffs, and odd assortments of jackets, jumpers, etc., a spectator at the BHS football game here Saturday commented: "Looks as though Mary Ward set the styles years ago, and these gals are just catching up."

WUZ HE ROBBED? "Frankie" Scabias, A.M. 2/c, of Chicago, Ill. here last week for a brief visit, told this one: He was paired off at a Navy boxing match one night, and when he was introduced to the audience the announcer had all kinds of trouble pronouncing his name. The bout ended and Frankie kind of thought he had won. But the other man got the decision. "I guess the announcer didn't want to struggle around with my name again!" Frank explained with a big grin.

CHARGED! "Gander" Myers and Jim Weaver, Bellefonte painters, engaged in painting a garage at Howard one day last week, leaned up against a fence for a rest. They didn't lean long, but did they rest for the fence was an electric one. One spectator said he never heard such yells and never saw a pair of painters move so fast.

GREAT CAESAR! Turned on the radio Friday night and heard a man talking. He said the social security laws should be broadened, that old age and unemployment benefits should be extended to include all classes of people; that medical service should be extended to all, regardless of ability to pay; that service men's benefits should not be jeopardized through the fact they gave up their jobs to serve in the armed forces. It sounded for all the world like a speech Franklin D. Roosevelt might make. But the voice was that of Thomas E. Dewey, speaking in Los Angeles. We wonder what some of the old line Republicans thought when they heard their candidate practically admit that the New Deal is swell, but that it isn't New Dealish enough. We wonder whether the people at large can believe that after the curing the New Deal has taken from GOP leaders in past years that party can be depended upon when it says, "We can New Deal better than the ones who invented it."

DAY DREAM: Wish we could be a policeman in Bellefonte for a day. We'd reap a rich harvest from guys who sail through stop signs without even slowing down; from that youngster who cruises around in a truck at 35 to 40 miles an hour, from broken who laugh at traffic lights, and from the heels who drive about town tooting their horns. And when day was done we'd slap a ticket on ourselves as a kind of conscience payment for the times our jalopy has refused to obey some of the motor regulations.

INTRIGUE: Mrs. May Gray, of the Centre County Credit Association, received a letter from the FBI last week asking the association's aid in helping to track down a woman who is passing fraudulent checks in this area. Listen to this description: "Between 35 and 40 years old, 5 feet, 5 inches tall, 130 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes, medium complexion, cultured type, well spoken, wears size sixteen dresses. The checks are made out with a check protector with the name she is using that day typed on the check. She displays credentials such as driver's license showing local address, social security card and other identification. No wonder she is successful—particularly if along with her other assets she is fairly good looking! A man could never get by with it."

QUIT: Armstrong L. Francis, of the West Penn staff in Bellefonte, a hard-boiled steagie smoker for years, has given up smoking. "Army" made his decision some months ago when he found he had to spend considerable time each day finding a store having cigars, and on top of that had to pay nearly twice as much for the same weeds.

AGING: If you don't think the nation's passenger cars are wearing out, stand sometime at a stop sign where cars starting out have to go up a grade. You'll be amazed at the number of chattering, rattling, knocking, rattling and shuddering cars there are. About the time you've come to the conclusion that a 10-year old car is unfit for further service, Bob Ford may breeze along in his 1904 Ford runabout. There's no missing or chattering there. The ancient crate is in tip-top shape.

OLD MAESTRO: After hearing the President's speech Saturday night, a hard-boiled Republican called us on the telephone and conceded Roosevelt's election for term four. "I hate to admit it," he declared, "but you can't stop him. He has what it takes! Why he even sewed up the vote of practically every dog-lover in the country when he told about Fala!"

Weekly Relief Report: State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner reported that direct relief payments made to needy residents of Centre county during the past week totaled \$324.40. Last week payments totaled \$317.70.

Canada Folks Visit Snow Shoe: Mrs. Thyer, son Andy and daughter Elsie, all of Canada, were recent visitors in Snow Shoe as guests of their relatives, Charles and Elizabeth Thyer.