

Random Items

(In the absence of the writer of Random Items, due to illness, the following editorial is substituted.)

Sugar Goes to War

Did you know that we are fighting with sugar? No? We are—not only through eating it.

Of course when we eat it, it produces energy. Most of us are fond of sweets and enjoy sugar in our food in a thousand ways.

We have a tremendous demand for sugar on the home front. It would be impossible to can so many delicious fruits without it. The government sets aside a substantial amount of sugar for canning our home grown fruits and vegetables. Prisoners of war and refugees are receiving sugar through the Red Cross.

But the use of sugar as a food is only a part of its great war use. It actually goes into the making of weapons with which our enemies are being killed. There is hardly a war commodity of which sugar is not a necessary part.

Industrial alcohol is largely made from black strap molasses which is a by-product of sugar. Alcohol is used in making an infinite variety of products.

Synthetic rubber is made in part from a chemical derived from sugar. Farmers could not get along without rubber tires with which to run their tractors and there are thousands of other commodities which require the use of synthetic rubber.

Sugar is made into industrial alcohol and then into explosives. Every bomb that we have dropped on Germany required the use of sugar in its manufacture. Most of the shells with which the Axis is being bombarded require sugar as an ingredient.

Even the hand grenades that are blasting the Japs out of fox holes could not have been created without sugar.

Many plastics that are now in use are derived from sugar. They are substituted for metal in a number of ways even on airplanes.

The great chemical industries have found out how to make dyes, varnishes and medicines from sugar. From the manufacture of airplanes to pans we are using sugar.

So you see, that innocent and ornamental sugar bowl on your table contains the potentialities for death—and a better life—in its sweet granules.

Denies Reports of Coffee Scarcity

George C. Thierbach, president of the National Coffee Association, emphatically denies a published report that the nation's coffee supply may become so low that even rationing will not give every consumer his share.

"The inventory of coffee in the United States is considerably above normal," Thierbach said. "While there are some difficulties involved in the purchasing of green coffee, the problems are of a temporary nature and are now in the process of being solved by government officials."

Thierbach called untrue a report that the OPA believed coffee stocks on hand would last no more than six months. A high OPA official said earlier that importers have advised they are unable to import coffee from Brazil at present ceiling prices.

Local Boy Enrolls In Technical School

Pvt. Edward H. Heverly, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Heverly, 102 East Logan Street Bellefonte has been enrolled in the technical school for training of radio mechanics students at Trux Field, Madison, Wis., an installation of the Army Air Forces Training Command.

Pvt. Heverly will receive a complete course in aircraft radio mechanics and will take supplemental AAF courses in defense against chemical attack physical training, and related subjects designed to fit him for overseas combat duty with the fighting AAF.

In civilian life, Pvt. Heverly was a high school student.

Former Governor Pinchot Warns Voters of Nation To Defeat Foes of Labor

Declares That the Men Who Oppose Roosevelt Have for Years Been the Effective Enemies of Justice to Labor

Gifford Pinchot, Republican and twice Governor of Pennsylvania, warned voters Thursday night that the men who oppose President Roosevelt are those "who want and always have wanted control of Government by Big Money."

Without Roosevelt, he said, there would now be no victory in sight for there would have been no repeal of the arms embargo, no lend-lease, no peacetime conscription, no building of 100,000 planes a year and no tremendous industrial expansion to meet the needs of national defense.

Roosevelt "looked ahead and acted, instead of short-sighted resistance, ridicule and abuse," said Pinchot. "If he hadn't where would America be today?"

The problem America must solve in the postwar era require a leader of the Roosevelt stature, he continued.

Pinchot charged that the men who oppose Roosevelt and support Dewey "are putting up the most enormous campaign fund in the history of politics in America."

"Many of these men have been for years the very effective enemies of justice to labor and the farmer the miner, the worker and the small businessman," he said.

"Do you suppose they are raising that huge fund because they believe that they elect their man the rights of the plain people, which they have fought so bitterly, will be protected and increased? Think it over. These men are not in the habit of putting up their money unless they expect to get it back."

Pinchot said he is campaigning

P. R. R. Brakeman Seriously Injured

Sixty-Four-Year Old Railroad-Knocked From Oil Tanker

Shortly after going to work last Thursday morning, William M. Showers, 64, an Altoona Middle Division brakeman, was injured seriously when he was knocked from an oil tanker at the West Bound Homer yard and was admitted to Altoona Hospital suffering a position fracture of the skull, back and abdominal injuries.

The accident in which Showers figured was the third in as many days to have occurred in the Altoona yards. Showers was on his run when four additional oil tankers pumped into the five tankers in Showers' run with such force that he was thrown from the oil tanker he was on.

Richard Waitte, G. M. Sr., husband of the former Betty Fekey of Bellefonte, a member of the armed guard aboard a troop transport to reach France less than two weeks ago, visited the graves of his brother, Pfc. Harold Waitte of Bellefonte, and Pfc. Andrew Dean of Pine Grove Mills, both killed in action in France July 5.

Enroute to France, Seaman Waitte was informed of the location of the graves somewhere in France, and upon reaching his destination September 17, hitch-hiked the 30 miles to the cemetery.

Pfc. Waitte was a son of Mrs. Frank Wilson of Bellefonte, and husband of the former Eva Cosso of Coleville. Pfc. Dean was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie W. Dean of Pine Grove Mills.

Thomas Bowes was installed as chief patriarch of Bellefonte Encampment No. 72, I. O. O. F., at a meeting of the organization held last Monday night.

Others installed are as follows: H. M. Showers, high priest; J. C. Hillman, senior warden; H. E. Garbrick, junior warden; C. P. Hoy, recording scribe; C. B. Musser, financial scribe; C. A. Schaeffer, treasurer; Charles Jodon, outside sentinel; Ralph Homan, guide; and J. M. Hartwick, first watch.

Also C. W. Bauder, second watch; B. E. Cronmiller, third watch; Ralph Stover, fourth watch; John Delaney, first guard of the tent; Charles Young, second guard of the tent, and H. E. Garbrick, trustee.

The ceremonies were conducted by Victor A. Auman, district deputy grand patriarch, of Centre Hall.

Grave of County Boy Cared For By Family

The grave of Pfc. Donald Hutchison, State College, who died in Queensland, Australia, in 1942, is receiving thoughtful care from an Australian family.

Mrs. Rose Hanson of Queensland, wrote the Hutchisons "our garden overlooks the little cemetery and in appreciation for all your boys have done for us—the token of flowers is the least I can give to express my own personal gratitude."

Unconditional Surrender



Milesburg Man Chosen Moderator

H. H. Miles to Head Baptists' Association For Coming Year

H. H. Miles of Milesburg, Centre County, was elected as moderator for the ensuing year, at the final session of the Centre Baptist association Friday, marking the 114th anniversary, held at the Baptist church of Hollidaysburg.

The other officers chosen are: Vice moderator, Rev. Thomas McQuillen, Patton; clerk, Rev. Paul A. F. Millen, Huntingdon; treasurer, G. E. Arbery, Port Matilda; Trustees: H. H. Miles, Milesburg; Edward M. Greene, Huntingdon; J. E. Boring, Huntingdon; E. E. Bosler, Johnstown; W. R. Heaton, Philipsburg; George W. Radle, Mount Union; Egbert Holsopple, Tyrone, R. D.

Resolutions were adopted opposing the establishment of diplomatic relations between the state and any ecclesiastical body; another urged the church to revere the stand for a consecrated observance of the Lord's day and promote the desire for attendance at all church services.

A third resolution recommended that a committee be formed to establish a church educational program in the churches of the association, in harmony with the suggestion of the Northern Baptist association.

The sessions opened Friday with a program by the Women's Missionary society with Mrs. J. P. Harris presiding; devotions were led by Mrs. E. E. Evans, followed by presentation and dedication of special gifts, address by Mrs. W. C. Snow and Home Missions report by Mrs. A. D. Smalley.

The ministers' council session was in charge of Rev. O. M. Bolt. An address was given by Dr. Dora R. Sharpe, on "Ministers Getting Ahead by Going Back." The Centre Baptist session was presided over by Rev. J. P. Harris.

The afternoon session opened with the Association Church School sessions, with Grover C. Merryman presiding. Following devotions and business, a timely address was given on the association by Rev. William J. Shope.

Rev. J. P. Harris presided over the final association session, which opened with prayer by Rev. J. W. Dow. The report of the association representative to the state board of managers was made by Rev. H. G. Dooley.

The next convention of the association will be held at Milesburg, Centre County.

Radio Mechanic In Outstanding Group

The B-24 Liberator Bomber squadron in which S. Sgt. Frederick R. Hockenberry, of West High street, Bellefonte, is a Radio Mechanic, recently was cited "for distinguished and outstanding performance of duty from May 12 to July 18," by Major General William E. Kepner, 2nd Bombardment Division commander.

During this period without loss of aircraft, crew squadron commanded by Major Herman A. Laubrich of Green Bay, Wis., "in the face of intense anti-aircraft fire and formidable enemy fighter opposition" bombed 20 targets in Germany and 34 targets in enemy occupied Europe. The squadron was further cited for its "tenacity of purpose, efficiency, determination and devotion to duty."

In addition to marking up an exceptional record of 54 missions without loss, the squadron during this period led all other squadrons of its Liberator group in the number of heavy bombers dispatched into battle.

Direct Relief Report State Treasurer G. Harold Wagner reported that direct relief payments made to needy residents of Centre county during the past week totalled \$487.80. Last week payments totalled \$524.40.

Training at Great Lakes John William Gilbert, 18, R. D. 1, Howard is receiving his initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center Great Lakes, Illinois. When his recruit training is completed, the seaman will receive a period of leave.

Woman Hurt as Tire Blows And Car Upsets Jessie Dandrea, 30, was admitted to Altoona Mercy Hospital Saturday night, following an accident between Cresson and Ebsenburg, when a tire blew out on the car on which she was riding and threw it on its side.

William J. Mainz was driving the car which carried seven occupants. Seven miles on the other side of Cresson, a blow-out of a tire caused the car to turn over on its side. Mrs. Dandrea suffered injuries to her left arm and shoulder.

Brush Valley Nimrod Recalls Record Stag Slain in Pennsylvania

Tells of Memorable Hunt in Clinton County to Capture 'Daddy of the Forest' That Sported 44 Points

By Henry W. Shoemaker in Altoona Tribune

"It was odd," mused Sam Strohecker, mighty nimrod of Rebersburg, Centre county, "that the record red deer of Germany, shot by the late Kaiser Bill in Silesia in 1893, had the same number of points, 44, as the record Virginia deer of Pennsylvania, which I killed on the big run of Beech Creek in 1894."

"All my life I had marvelled over the antlers of Reuben Stover's Centennial stag, shot in the east end of Brush Valley, with its 37 points in 1876, but it fell to my lot to bring down the daddy of them all, but I had to go to Clinton county to get it. I would not call my Big Run stag an abnormal specimen. The Centennial stag might be mine is just fine, heavy growth, of masculine qualities; if a deer is injured, the growth is uneven and far from pretty such horns make a poor trophy, no matter the size."

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"I had heard of this giant deer for several years. Prop timber men operating along the high ridges overlooking Beech Creek, and paper wood floaters saw it but did not have a chance to hunt much, usually they told us what they would like to do, as we sat discussing guns and hunting around the stove in Reuben Hains' general store in Rebersburg on winter evenings. Mr. Haines, a kindly old gentleman, would not 'shut up shop' until the last hunter was done talking, even if it be past midnight.

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"I had re-sighted by Bill Gilbert, the young gunsmith at Wolfe's Store. I also took a telescope along to be sure I was after the right deer. I had killed a hundred bucks in my time, mostly in Brush Valley, had occasional brushes with wolves, panthers and bears. I had my share of sport, but now I was a specialist. I got the master deer of Pennsylvania, and as it happened carried the grandest head ever brought down since the days of the early Swedes.

"Moyer could not go along, but I knew the territory pretty well, and rode up there on horseback, carrying my small four-piece tent and cooking utensils. Big Run empties (Continued on page 518)

Takes Own Life While on Visit

Body Found in Home When Brother Returns From Work

Harry Wolfe, 62, of Northumberland who was visiting his brother, Grover, in Renovo, took his life at 2 p. m. last Thursday by gas asphyxiation in the cellar of the Wolfe home. His body was found an hour later when the brother returned home from work.

Mr. Wolfe is believed to have been worried about domestic troubles. He arrived in Renovo Monday for a visit of a few days. Dr. W. J. Shoemaker, Clinton County coroner, said his death resulted when he covered his head with a blanket and inhaled gas. Surviving are his wife and several sons and daughters in Northumberland. Funeral services were held Friday at Milton.

Osceola Soldier One Of First in Holland

A letter from Lt. Quentin Duck, of Osceola Mills, states that he is now in his sixth foreign country—Holland. He stated that he was one of the first Americans to reach Dutch soil.

He said that after having been in France and Belgium for some time he was just getting to the point where he could get along pretty well with the language and is now in the dark again.

He described the country as beautiful. "These people strictly take good care of their homes. Reminds me a lot of York county."

"Nothing much to relate. I see Ernie Pyle is leaving for the States. Lucky guy. I met him down in a hotel when he was in France. He's a real guy and did a wonderful job over here."

Farm Machinery Is No Longer Rationed

War Food Administrator Marvin Jonts Friday ended all rationing and distribution of farm machinery and equipment except controls over corn pickers.

The machinery released from rationing and other distribution controls includes combines, corn binders, manure spreaders, mowers, side delivery rakes, hay loaders, pickup hay balers, wheel tractors, grain drills, potato planters, potato diggers, silo fillers, irrigation pumps, motor sprayers, garden tractors, well water systems, power pumps, farm milk coolers, sheet metal water well casings and farm scales.

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Every advance of civilized people represents an encroachment upon so-called rights of free men.

Jesse Adler Looks at the NEWS

MR. WALTER WINCHELL might like this tale told by Col. Donald MacGregor recently returned from overseas. Some Yanks and Brits were gathered for tea and rum at a home in England when one of the GIs wondered why in the early days of the war, the British spent so much time retreating. "We're here," he bragged, "to help you Tommies win the war." "That's interesting," replied the Tommy, "I thought you were evacuees from Pearl Harbor."

IN THE American League, Washington ended the season in the cellar—as low as it can drop. Just what the Republicans have been saying all along, huh?

IN N. Y., Chas. Wanger, a tattoo artist, makes a specialty of putting "clothes" on nude female tattooed figures. Sort of a Strip-Frase-Artist in Reverse.

SINGER Dinah Shore sang "Pistol Packing Mama" so well General Patton gave her a pistol. She's now perfecting a rendition of "I'll Be Glad When You're Dead You Rascal You" to sing to Adolf.

HEADLINE: "97 Murders of Nazi Officials Puzzles Authorities." Maybe it's because nobody liked 'em, maybe!

THE U. S. Rubber Company's appeal for four new tires was turned down by the Congress (Mass) ration board. Time to Retire—the Board.

A WORCESTER (Mass) firm has perfected a new chemical to make sea water drinkable. Now if they can do ditto to make some of the brooch you buy drinkable, they'll make a billion bucks.

INCIDENTALLY the soldiers have a new way of figuring money. It starts with millions, then billions, then trillions—then civilians.

IN THE South Pacific the medical dept hands out slips of paper informing the GIs "You kiss the girls here at your own risk." One corporal returned the slip, saying: "It's the same in Brooklyn—I had to marry the girl."

ANOTHER GI, learning that his brother became a father for the eighth time, called "Congratulations Stop Name the Eighth After me Stop For God's Sake Stop."

A LONDON member of Commons says he will give £20 to every woman in his local district who has a baby on V Day.

BECAUSE Pvt. Wilbur Sisk of Kansas City has a sister-in-law named Eiffel Towers Sisk, the censors returned all his letters, claiming "Eiffel Towers" was a code.

THE inner ramp on the Adler Height-Increasing shoe was looked at with suspicion by a cobbler in Ireland who called in police, thinking the shoemaker might be using the ramp to conceal spy messages. He was exonerated on the strength that he merely was trying to be Two Inches Taller Than She Is.

FAVORITE of All GI overseas stories is the British folks terse summation of the visiting Yanks. "They're overdressed, overpaid, oversexed and Over Here!"

THE Fourth Anniversary of the Axis, "celebrated" Friday, was really a Wooden Anniversary—for all the celebrants are destined to wind up in wooden boxes before the next anniversary.

OUTSIDE of Camp Blanding there's a Chinese Laundry run by twins named Wight & Wong Woo. They look so much alike you can't tell Wight from Wong.

Hollidaysburg Woman Fatally Shoots Self

Mrs. Julia Ann Hoff, 58, a Hollidaysburg woman, who had been in poor health, died of a self-inflicted 32-caliber bullet wound at Chimney Rocks, Blair county, last Wednesday. A man walking at the store quarry saw Mrs. Hoff walk towards Chimney Rocks where her body was found about 15 feet from the lookout.

Mrs. Hoff, who resided with a sister, Mrs. Howard Wright, in Hollidaysburg, left a note for her sister, stating that when the note was found she hoped to be at rest at Chimney Rocks.

When found Mrs. Hoff was dead, a bullet from a 32-caliber revolver having penetrated her body from underneath her left breast.

'Seven Angels Stood Before God'- Bible Foretells Fliers' Rescue

SUPREME ALLIED HEADQUARTERS Sept. 30—A Biblical passage picked at random by one of the crew of the Flying Fortress "Heavenly Body" foretold with uncanny accuracy what was to happen to seven crewmen who survived an emergency crash in the English Channel, it was disclosed Friday.

Before the Fortress took off from England to bomb a Nazi tank factory at Bremen recently, Sgt. Gilbert H. Woerner, of Fredericksburg, Texas, radio operator and gunner, opened his Bible at random and inserted a pound note for safekeeping.

When he eventually returned to base, he found the money marking Revelations, Chapter VIII, verses one to four, which related with remarkable detail in allegorical manner the crash and the rescue that he and six of his mates had just undergone.

Over Germany, one engine of "Heavenly Body" went out and on the way back over the Channel, two others failed. The pilot told the crew: "This is it, brace yourselves."

The big bomber broke into three sections as it hit the water. The pilot and co-pilot, trapped in their section, disappeared under 20-foot

waves. The other seven clung to a rubber dinghy.

"And I saw seven angels which stood before God," it says in Revelations.

The airmen, buffeted by the waves and drenched in salt spray, looked up and saw a British rescue plane circling overhead. Its pilot was radioing their location to rescue craft.

"And another angel came," Revelations continues.

For 30 anxious minutes, the crewmen looked toward England, awaiting help.

"There was silence in heaven, about the space of half an hour," says the Bible text.

Finally, the fliers saw a rescue launch speeding their way and the plane above dropped smoke bombs to direct it.

"And smoke of incense, which came with the prayers of saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand."

The seven were picked up and returned to base ready to fly again, and the seven, after reading and marveling over the verse, have named their new ship "Seven Angels."