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## Two From County Die From Wounds

### Battle Toll Claims Lives of Two Residents; Four Are Reported Wounded, One Second Time; Runvilled Soldier Missing in Action

Two Centre county soldiers made the supreme sacrifice on foreign battlefields during the past week. They are:

Pvt. Elwood Grubb, Bellefonte, died of wounds.

Sgt. Joseph Krupa, Rush township, killed in action.

Those reported wounded were:

Pvt. Robert A. Garner, State College, wounded a second time.

Lt. Raymond Blowers, Phillipsburg, Pfc. Theodore Ishler, Jacksonsville, Pvt. Donald M. Shillings, Blanchard.

Missing in action:

Pvt. Maurice Watson, Runville.

### Pvt. Grubb Dies of Wounds

A letter and a telegram received a half-hour apart, brought joy, then sorrow, into the home of Mrs. Elwood F. Grubb of Bellefonte, Wednesday, when the contradictory messages told of her husband's recovery and his reported death.

A War Department telegram received Tuesday revealed that Pvt.



Pvt. Elwood F. Grubb

Elwood F. Grubb had died from injuries four days after being wounded.

The message stated that he died October 6 of injuries suffered while taking part in the capture of Luxembourg on October 2. Last Thursday Mrs. Grubb was notified by the War Department that her husband had been wounded and that she would be advised as reports of his condition were received. He is a son of Mrs. Edna Boohe of Rebersburg.

In a letter written to his wife September 14, and received Tuesday about a half hour before the telegram, the Bellefonte private told his wife that he was feeling fine. In part it read: "Things look good here and I don't think it will be long now until I'll be home. I hope to be out of this hell hole soon and be home to celebrate Christmas with you and the kiddies." The family live on the road at the end of South Potter street, Bellefonte, leading to the Rebersburg Mill.

Pvt. Grubb was called for service January 29 of this year, and was assigned to the infantry and trained at Camp Croft, S. C., Ft. Meade, Md., and Camp Blanding, Fla. Early in June he was sent overseas, landing in England, and four weeks later was sent into the invasion of France.

The Bellefonte soldier was born

## Wounded Bellefonte Soldier Convalescing in England



Sgt. John D. Drogan

Sergeant John D. Drogan, 22, of Bellefonte, a glider infantryman who was wounded by mortar fragments in the battle for La Haye du Puits, is now acting as a platoon leader in the rehabilitation program for wounded soldiers at this United States Army station hospital in England.

His ward officer, First Lieutenant Melvin T. Gorman, of Rochester, Minnesota, said, "Sgt. Drogan has

recovered from his wounds and is regaining strength by active participation in our rehabilitation program."

"We were setting up our mortar to knock out some of Jerry's resistance," Sgt. Drogan recalled, "when two mortar shells landed right behind me. It's lucky we were near a hedgerow, because the six of us that were hit had to sweat out another barrage before anybody could get in there to help us."

He was given first aid at a battalion aid station and was later evacuated to England.

As platoon sergeant in the hospital's program, Sgt. Drogan drills his fellow patients and performs minor administrative duties under the supervision of hospital staff members.

Sgt. Drogan was graduated from the Bellefonte High School in 1941 and was employed by the American Lime and Stone Company before entering the service. A veteran of the North African, Sicilian and Italian campaigns, he wears the Presidential Unit Citation for outstanding achievement during the North African campaign.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Drogan, reside in Bellefonte. Two of his brothers are in the service. Sgt. Charles Drogan, 29, also a veteran of the North African and Sicilian battles, is with a signal corps unit in India, while Pfc. Drogan, 27, is with an infantry unit in France.

### S/Sgt. Krupa Killed in Germany

Staff Sergeant Joseph Krupa, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Krupa, of Rush township, north of Phillipsburg, paid the supreme sacrifice when he died on the battlefield of Germany on September 19. Word advising the parents of the young soldier's death was received by his parents on October 16. He was 27 years old.

The telegram, sent by the War Department, stated he was wounded on September 19 while in combat duty in Germany and died the same day.

On June 19, 1941, he enlisted in the army and in February, 1944, was sent overseas as a member of the 47th Division. Among the camps at

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## GRAHAM STATION MAN IS ARRESTED

### Pleads Not Guilty to Stealing Articles From Parked Car

Bennie Travis, 42, of Graham Station, has been arrested on charges of burglary, larceny and receiving stolen goods, according to officers of the Pennsylvania State Police.

Travis is accused of stealing a girl's new coat and two pairs of men's socks from the parked car of Robert Shaw, of West Decatur.

Police stated that the Shaw family had been shopping in Phillipsburg and that the merchandise had been left in their car. They said Travis was arrested Sunday at his home, at which time the new coat was found in his possession and that he was wearing one of the pairs of socks.

When arraigned before Justice of the Peace R. D. Shaw in Clearfield, the accused entered a plea of not guilty and waived a hearing. He stated that he had picked up two unknown hitch-hikers and that they must have left the package in his car. He was placed in the Clearfield county jail.

## Hotel Proprietor Buys Beaver Home

Although unconfirmed at this time it is understood that the Governor Beaver home on Curtin street has been purchased by B. J. Gryetko, proprietor of the Brockerhoff House. The consideration is said to have been \$6,250. Mr. Gryetko will convert the palatial home into apartments.

## How to Mail That Boy His X-Mas Box

### Rules Governing Soldiers Leaving After September 30

Christmas parcels for members of the Army leaving home stations on route overseas shortly before or after October 16, up to and including December 10, 1944, may be mailed under the following provisions, the postoffice announced yesterday:

1. Sender must show a change of address notification (W. D.—A.G.O. Form 204) which was received after September 30, 1944.
2. Weight limit—5 pounds.
3. Size—length and girth combined—36 inches and not longer than 15 inches.
4. Address package in ink and insert address on the inside of parcel.

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## Philipsburg Coal Company Restrained

In accordance with an injunction issued October 7 in Lewisburg by Judge Albert W. Johnson for the United States district court for the middle district of Pennsylvania, C. W. Askey and Raymond Askey, trading as the Glenn Coal company of Philipsburg, are restrained from selling, offering to sell, or delivering bituminous coal produced from the Glenn coal mine until such a time as the defendants have filed with the solid fuels branch of the OPA in Washington, D. C., Form B. C. D. Nos. 288 and 350 for each of the months April to July, 1943, inclusive, together with OPA Form No. 653,499, which is a report of operating data, bituminous coal mines, for August, 1943, and each month thereafter.

## RE-SENTENCED AFTER YEARS OF FREEDOM

### Rockview Convict Had Been "Absent" For Eighteen Years

### GOES BACK AGAIN TO PRISON WALLS

### Will Probably Never Live to Serve Entire Sentence

After eighteen years' liberty following his escape from Rockview Prison, November 14, 1926, Dominic Pugliese is back within the break walls of the Pittsburgh Penitentiary, where he is destined to spend practically the balance of his lifetime.

Pugliese was captured about a week ago in New York and returned to Centre county by prison officials. Arraigned before Judge Ivan Walker on Wednesday morning, he was sentenced to serve from 10 to 20 years, which will be added to his original sentence of 15 to 20 years, imposed for second degree murder.

Pugliese, having served nine years of his sentence, was 32 years of age at the time he effected his escape one Sunday morning by cutting the wires in the prison stockade. He was one of the few who have broken Rockview Prison to elude capture for so long a period.

When asked by the court if he desired an attorney he replied in the negative. Interrogated by Judge Walker as to why he fled the prison

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## SUTTON COMPANY DISPLAYS PRODUCT

### Local Firm Represented at National Metal Congress

Officials of the Sutton Engineering Company, Bellefonte, had a laboratory Model K T type straightening machine on display last week at the National Metal Congress held in Cleveland, Ohio.

The small machine, a replica of machines manufactured by the company in Bellefonte, was displayed in a booth manned by officials and company employees. The small machine was in operation, straightening small brass rods three-eighths of an inch in diameter throughout the Congress held from October 16 through October 20. The machine, which eliminates guides and prevents scratching, is the only one of its kind manufactured in the United States and possibly in the world.

Sutton officials who attended the Congress were J. Blair Sutton, Egil Risan, and O. J. Shawden. Others were Miss Anne Penny, William Benford and Adam Crossmyer, company employees. Mrs. Sutton also attended in addition to James Craig, William Brown and Michael Mianilli of the Titus company.

## 17 TO LEAVE FOR INDUCTION CAMP

### Ordered to Report For Military Duty on November 3

Officials of Local Draft Board No. 2 of Bellefonte yesterday announced that on Thursday, November 3, a group of 17 from the area served by that board will go to Harrisburg for induction into the armed forces.

In addition to the 17 who are to be inducted, the board stated that three others reported for immediate induction during September and October.

Those scheduled to leave next Thursday are:

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## Love Named District Legion Vice-Comdr.

John C. Love of Bellefonte, was elected first vice-commander of the Centre-Clearfield Bi-County Committee of the American Legion at a meeting of the organization held at the American Legion Home, Houtzdale, October 18. Mr. Love retired as an adjutant after serving one year.

Others elected were James O. Booth, Curwensville, commander, succeeding Samuel D. Rhinesmith of Bellefonte; Rev. G. S. West, Osceola Mills, second vice-commander; Forrest C. Bornhorst, Curwensville, adjutant; Rev. A. C. Bennett, Clearfield, chaplain; Guy Houser, Houtzdale, and John Phelps, Curwensville, sergeants-at-arms.

This committee, which meets every three months represents all Legion posts in the following places: Millheim, State College, Port Matilda, Bellefonte, Phillipsburg, Osceola Mills, Houtzdale, Clearfield, Grantman, DuBois, Curwensville and Madera.

## State College Woman Injured by Car

Mrs. C. R. Adams, of North Holmes street, State College, suffered injury to her right foot and body bruises when she was hit by an automobile on West Beaver avenue, State College, at 12:10 p. m. Monday.

The accident occurred when William Albright, of State College, operator of the car, was traveling west in the 100 block of West Beaver avenue. Mrs. Adams, in attempting to cross the street on the left side of the car, is reported to have stepped directly into the path of the oncoming machine.

## Howard R.D. Family Has 4 Sons in Service of Country



T/S Guy O. Miller



S/2 Howard W. Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Miller, of Howard, R. D., are another Centre county family who can boast of having four sons in Uncle Sam's fighting forces. Two are on combat duty abroad, one is in the Navy and the fourth is training for overseas service.

Pvt. Earl L. Miller, 21, is a member of Co. D, 101st Infantry, with the United States forces in France. He entered the service February 22, 1942, and successfully trained at Fort Jackson, S. C., Camp Gordon, Ga., Camp Campbell, Ky., and Nashville, Tenn. He then returned to Fort Jackson and a little more than a month ago was assigned to overseas duty.

T/S Guy O. Miller, 19, youngest



Pvt. Earl L. Miller



Pvt. Ray H. Miller

of the brothers, entered the service March 12, 1943. He received his basic training at Fort Knox, Ky., and Camp Campbell, Ky. Later he was transferred to Maryland and from there was sent overseas in December of last year. After five months training in England he took part in the D-Day invasion. At the present time he is somewhere in Germany.

Seaman Second Class Howard W. Miller, 20, is serving in the Navy and is now stationed at Norfolk, Va. He entered the naval service on March 18, 1944 and received his boot training at Bathbridge, Md. He is married to the former Loretta Meekley of Jacksonville, and the couple have four children.

Pvt. Ray H. Miller, 27, entered the

## OCCUPANTS ESCAPE INJURY IN WRECKS

### Auto Crashes Result in Damages to Cars Over Weekend

Several automobile crashes during the past few resulted in damages to cars, but no injuries to occupants were reported.

Considerable damage resulted in an accident about 2 p. m. Saturday when a coupe operated by Harry W. Horner of Bellefonte, R. D. 2, and a sedan driven by Charles E. Gates of Mingoville, collided on what is known as the "Three Hills," near Zion.

The machines sideswiped as Mr. Gates, steward at Rockview prison, was driving towards Mingoville and Mr. Horner, toward Bellefonte. The Horner machine, a 1929 coupe, was demolished, while damage to the Gates sedan was approximately \$200. State Police from the Pleasant Gap sub-station who investigated the accident, said.

## Democratic Rallies to Be Held Over County

### Dem Held Over County

Miss Maude Miller of Pennsylvania Furnace, Democratic county chairman, and D. Milton Bradford of Centre Hall, Democratic campaign chairman, announced this week that three Democratic rallies will be held this week and next in Centre county. They are scheduled as follows:

Oct. 28, Court House, Bellefonte. George O. Pershing, Elizabeth De Witt, former state vice-chairman, Prof. Charles S. Kniss, Democratic candidate for the General Assembly, and others will be the speakers.

Nov. 1st, High School, Centre Hall. Nov. 2, Democratic Club, Clearfield. All rallies will start at 8 p. m., except the one at Bellefonte, which will start at 7:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

## Roosevelt to Speak Saturday in Chicago

President Roosevelt will deliver a major campaign speech in Chicago sometime after his Friday appearance in Philadelphia's Shibe Park.

Presidential Secretary Early announced the Chicago speech yesterday, but stated he did not have the date. However, Mayor Kelly of Chicago, has announced a big Democratic rally for that city next Saturday the day after the President's Philadelphia speech.

## DEATH CLAIMS A PROMINENT COUNTY MAN

### Guy Z. Stover Dies Monday at His Home in State College

### WAS PARTNER IN PHOTO BUSINESS

### Native of Coburn, And Veteran of First World War

Following a serious illness of almost a year, Guy Z. Stover, 55, prominent State College man and for the past 25 years engaged in the photography business, died at 7:08 Monday morning at his Locust Lane home at State College.

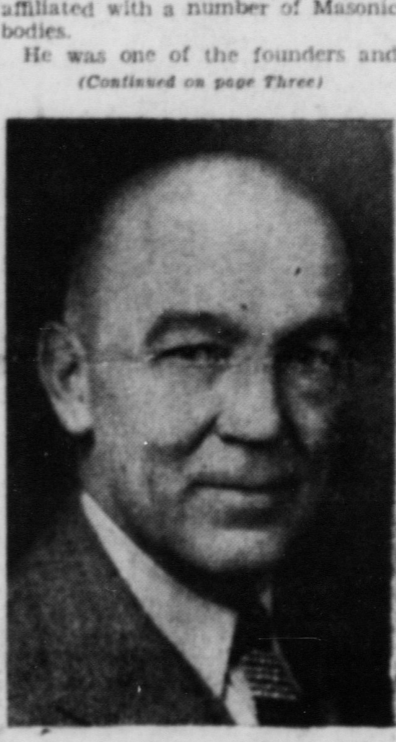
A native of Coburn, Mr. Stover located at State College following his honorable discharge from the army after World War I. He had worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad company as a telegraph operator before his enlistment in the signal corps. As a second lieutenant, he was severely wounded September 29, 1918. Following his recovery he served in the Army of Occupation at Coblenz, Germany, and also spent some time in Luxembourg.

He went into partnership in 1919 with Robert H. Brown, the pair buying the Smith Studio and starting the Penn State Photo Shop. In recent years he also owned a service station on East College avenue.

Mr. Stover was active in State College civic and business affairs, had long been a leader in Centre county Republican politics, and was affiliated with a number of Masonic bodies.

He was one of the founders and

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Guy Z. Stover

## SCRAP DRIVE TOMORROW

A scrap drive will be held tomorrow, Friday, October 27th, starting at 9 a. m. All persons are urged to deposit all their paper and tin cans on the curb for collection. Bellefonte's quota is 12 pounds per person. Let's try to meet it!

## MACDONALD HEADS COMMERCE GROUP

### William Brachbill And Newell Long to Fill Other Offices

R. C. MacDonald, district manager of the West Penn Power Company, was elected president of the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce at the regular monthly meeting of the board of directors on Friday evening. Other officers chosen for the coming year were: William Brachbill, vice president, and Newell Long, treasurer.

The meeting was held jointly with the Retail Division for discussion of post war planning, at which time plans were laid for the maintenance of an active Credits Bureau and cooperation on the part of all business places with the bureau.

It was decided by the board that there would be no Halloween parade this year, but that the Chamber would concentrate on having a real Christmas celebration.

A committee is to be appointed to go to Council for discussion of a more lenient enforcement of the parking meters and also to request that the meters would be discontinued during the Christmas season.

It was also decided that the stores would close all day Armistice Day and to observe Saturday closing hours on Friday, November 10. The stores will remain open on Wednesday afternoons of that week.

The Chamber is to operate a "Car Pool" and persons making out of town trips are urged to contact the office registering their trips. In this way, the Chamber hopes to make one car do the work of three or four.

## Democratic Rally Here on Saturday

### Important Issues to Be Discussed at Meeting Held in Court House; Former Chairman Labor Relations Board Will Be Present; Other Speakers on Program

A Democratic rally, at which a number of prominent speakers from public life will be present to discuss important national and political events, will be held in the Court House at Bellefonte, Saturday evening, October 28, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be presided over by Miss Maude Miller, Democratic chairman for Centre county.

One of the notable speakers at the rally will be Lee Lichtler, former chairman of the Pennsylvania Labor Board. Mr. Lichtler is being sent here by the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, and by endorsement of Orvis Reed, president, and George Kellerman, secretary of the local Central Labor Union. Mr. Lichtler is an able speaker with a fund of knowledge concerning the welfare of the laboring classes, and will have an interesting message to deliver.

Others who will appear here and address the rally are:

George O. Pershing, prominent citizen of Williamsport.

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## IMPORTANT TO FARMERS

Former Governor Gifford Pinchot, twice elected to the State's highest office, through the support of farmers, will make an important address over the radio on Saturday morning. Because of increasing age, Mr. Pinchot is unable to travel in his campaign for good government, and earnestly asks that all his farmer friends listen to his Saturday morning radio message.

Following is the time and station over which Mr. Pinchot will be heard:

KDKA, Pittsburgh, 5:45 to 6 a. m.

WHF, Harrisburg, 6:45 to 7 a. m.

WGBI, Scranton, 7 to 7:45 a. m. (Tuesday through Saturday).

KYW, Philadelphia, 6 to 6:15 a. m.

## TYRONE BANKER CHOSEN TRUSTEE

### F. & M. College Honors School Principal

John D. Meyer, vice president of the First Blair County National Bank of Tyrone, has been elected to the board of trustees of Franklin and Marshall College. Mr. Meyer, himself a graduate of the college, has always been an active alumnus. For the past twenty years he has been president of the Central Pennsylvania Alumni Association, and in that position has always served the interests of the college. He is a member of the General Alumni Advisory Revolving Fund Committee, and for a number of years has served on the College Fund Board. As evidence of his interest in the college several years ago, he established a Scholarship Fund for worthy boys from Blair Centre and Huntington counties.

For the past five years, Mr. Meyer has also served on the board of trustees of Hood College for Girls at Frederick, Md.

It will be recalled to many of our readers that soon after his graduation from college, Mr. Meyer, a native of Centre Hall, came to Bellefonte in 1900 as principal of the high school and after a few years was elected supervising principal of the schools. After serving for ten years he resigned from school work to enter the banking business.

## PTA DISCUSSES CHILD PROBLEMS

### October Meeting Proves Most Interesting and Instructive

By a happy phrasing of his views on homework, Superintendent John L. Bracken of Clayton, Missouri, won first page position on many of the nation's newspapers, last summer by asserting, "A child has as much right to close his desk and leave his worries behind him at the end of the day as does his father." And it was the view on homework of parents and teachers in Bellefonte that held the attention of the Parent-Teachers Association Tuesday evening, October 24.

A lively and interesting discussion was had on this subject in which both parents and teachers participated. Mrs. Charles Garbrink and Miss Betty Lockington were the principal speakers at the meeting and both contended that the so-called "home work" should be done in the classroom and not at home.

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## CLUB HEARS TALK BY DR. E. C. HENRY

### College Head of Ceramics Discussed Interesting Subject

Dr. Edward C. Henry, acting head of the Department of Ceramics at Penn State College, was the principal speaker at the October meeting of the Bellefonte Woman's Club held in the Presbyterian chapel, Monday night.

Dr. Henry was introduced by Miss Kathryn Burket, program chairman, who spoke on "Selection of Dinnerware for the Home." He demonstrated how to detect good china ware and explained that American hotel dinnerware was the strongest china in the world. He pointed out that inexpensive dinnerware is often very good dinnerware. There are nine different dinnerwares, they are

## Last Centre County Fair Held AT Bellefonte Thirty Years Ago

To the several readers who have been interested in knowing when the last county fair was held in Bellefonte, the answer is September 23 and 4, 1914. That year witnessed the fifteenth and final fair sponsored by the Centre County Agricultural Exhibiting Company.

The fair had its beginning in 1900. Early in that year a charter was granted to John M. Shugert, John I. Olewine, F. W. McElroy, Charles B. Leader and John M. Dale, for the privilege of organizing a fair association, and in September, 1914, the first Centre County Fair was held on the McCoy meadow between Bellefonte and Milesburg.

In order to provide space for the half-mile race track that was built, the course of Spring Creek, which flowed through the grounds, was moved back along the Pennsylvania railroad tracks. This allowed room for the width of the race track and also for the erection of the grandstand which stood parallel with the railroad tracks.

Many familiar names can be recalled of those who took part in the first fair of 44 years ago. One of the interesting sports events was a live

pigeon shoot with the following entries: George Uzzle, W. R. Haines, Maurie Jackson, John J. Bower, L. H. Gettig, John Trafford, Linn McGinley and Robert F. Hunter. First prize, a shotgun, was won by John Trafford, second, a hunting coat, by L. H. Gettig; third, a sweater, by Robert F. Hunter.

Among the exhibitors at the first fair were the Pennsylvania State College, W. Fred Reynolds, livestock and agricultural products; J. A. Bena, musical instruments; James Schofield, Danie Irwin & Sons, Phoenix Milling Co., and others. John G. Dubbs, L. H. Musser, McCalmont & Co., and L. C. Bullock had fine exhibits of agricultural implements and farm equipment.

The opening fair had some unusually good race horses. Many fast horses were entered and some fine races run. The only local entry was George A. Beeser's "Pearl B," which ran second in the running heat.

During the years that followed a number of local horses could be found on the racing list. Among these were: "Vernes Hall," W. V. Larimer, Bellefonte; "Doctor M,"

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