# War Toll 3 Killed, GIRL BURNED 6 Are Wounded IN EXPLOSION

Lt. Clifford R. Lauder, te College; Pvt. Foster J. Sayers, Howa and Pfc. Harry Woodring II, Lose Lives French War Exploding Oil Stove Area.

Lt. Lauder, who had previously

on September 20. In a letter written

First Army which, according to the

ieutenant, was among the very first

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S/SGT. PAUL ROGUS

Missing in Action

All December Sales

Will Apply

Centre County has purchased only

Bonds have been sold to date.

and sales of \$600,000 in bonds as-

this division are held for two prin-

Treasury Department tas announce

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cipal reasons.

will meet its full responsibility in are invited to be present,



PVT. FOSTER J. SAYERS Killed in France

As another week of World War 11 ended, casualty messages received by Centre County relatives reveal a toll of 3 county men killed. 6 wounded,

The dead are:

Lt. Clifford R. Lauder, State College, killed in Germany November 18. Pvt. Foster J. Savers, 20, Howard, killed in France, November 12. Pfc. Harry Woodring, State Col-

lege, killed in France, November 19. Pfc. Carl Houtz, 32, Lemont, slight-

ly wounded November 18, presumably Pfe. William Thomas Barndt, Jr., Julian, slightly wounded in Belgium,

T|4 Eugene S. Homan, 31, State College, slightly wounded in Belgium, Pfc. James R. Richards, Prosser-

town, previously reported missing in action, now reported in hospital in Cpl. Homer R. Krape, 24, Pleasant

Gap, slightly wounded in Germany, Pvt. Fred W. Hall, Fleming, slight

ly wounded Germany, December 1. S/Sgt. Paul Rogus, 24. Clarence,

gunner aboard a B-29 Super Fortress, is reported missing in action in the Asiatic Eleatre of operations. COUNTY LAGS IN

Lt. Lauder Killed

Lt. Clifford R. Lauder, husband of the former Ruth Harter, of East College avenue, State College, was killed in action in Germany on November 18, according to a War Department message received last Wednesday by his wife.



CPL. HOMER R. KRAPE Wounded in Germany

Samuel M. Hess, State College RD, bonds through December will apply has been named a director of the against 6th. War Loan quotas. An-First National Bank of State College other reason assigned for the local to succeed his father, the late New- slump in the E. Bond market is beton E. Hess, a director of the bank cause many district leaders and from 1907 until his death this year.

Causes Clothing to Burst Into Flames

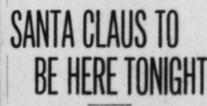
FATHER IS BURNED SMOTHERING FLAMES

Victim, Miss Grace Loesch 20, of Pine Hall, in Hospital

Lt. Lauder, who went into France stove at her home, Friday night, few days after D-Day, was sent M'ss Grace Loesch, 20, daughter of overseas in March of this year. Fol- Mr. and Mrs. George A. Loesch, of lowing his graduation from Penn Pine Hall, near State College, yesa a a m 1942 he entered the service terday was reported to be in critical n November and took his basic condition at the Centre County training at Camp Wheeler, Ga. He Hospital.

then was sent to Officer Candidate | The accident happened when Miss School at Fort Benning, Ga., from Loesch attempted to light the burner which he was graduated and com- of an oil stove to heat some water missioned in July, After short per- about 10:45 p. m. Friday. As she iods at Camp Wolters, Texas, and at touched the lighted match to th Camp Gruber, Okla., he was sent burner an explosion enveloped her in flames from the kneesup. She Lt. Lander, whose home is in Belle screamed and ran outdoors to the Vernon, had two brothers serving back porch and into the yard, he He was married in De- clothing a mass of flames.

camber 1943, and at the time of his Her father, who was sitting in the induction was employed at the living room, upon hearing the explo-Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia. His sion grabbed a blanket and ran after, wife is a daughter of Mrs. James her. He smothered the flames, which Harter, of State College, formerly of had been fanned by the wind, and suffered severe burns of both hands. Mr. Loesch summoned a physician who after rendering first aid brought the young woman to the



Will Greet Youngsters at 7 p. m.; Free Movie Saturday

the Christmas season in Bellefonte, selves." theatre on Saturday morning.

ough officials. The distinguished visitor will occupy a seat of honor on a Chamber of Commerce float for a Aged Man Kills procession to the Diamond, with the legion Junior Band heading the

On the Diamond a public address Half of Quota Reached;

With only three days of the 6th. War Loan Campaign remaining. Santa's float to exchange the cards street. about 50 per cent of the E. Bonds of its \$750,000 quota, it was announced yesterday by War Finance Committee officials. Sales through Tuesday showed that only about \$375,000 in E Sales of other types of bonds to

individuals are nearing the quota, The Stumbling Tumbleweeds." signed to corporations and clubs in the county are high, officials said. There is little doubt but that the quotas in those two divisions will ment. The doors of the theatre will fun had gone far enough.

#### Five Overcome By While the campaign officially closes on Saturday of this week, the Fumes At Titan ed that all sales of E., F., and G.

at the Titan Metal Company plant Friday morning overcame five wom-en employes and mildly affected several others.

Two of the women, Mrs. Sarah Markle, of State College, and Miss Pearl Flack, of Bellefonte, were takon to the Centre County Hospital in the Widdowson ambulance, but soon revived and were able to return to their work about an hour later.

The fumes resulted when a greaseemoving solvent was applied to a machine. A spokesman said that heavy atmosphere prevailing during instead of being carried out the us-

## Democratic Group To Hold Yule Party

The Women's Democratic Club of Centre County will hold a regular "that there monthly meeting Tuesday, Decembe

## Lives Snuffed Out By Escaping Gas



Photo above is a recent one of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. John Hobart Rossman, who lost their lives Tuesday night of last week when gas escaping from a gas range filled the North Thomas street apartment where they slept. From left to right the children are: Robert, aged 5; Nancy, aged 4, and Richard, (Story of inquest appears below.)

# HOLD INQUEST IN BOND PREMIERE. CHILDREN'S DEATH AUCTION ARE HELD DINNER, SATURDAY band, who, she said, was going to kill her. In the hall she fainted and the Widdowson ambulance was sum-

in Rossman Family

Tragedy

"The children met their death by The two special 6th War Loan

were very negligent in leaving three About 125 persons attended the members. Since then the increase

(Thursday), and a free motion pic- Williams and Charles E. Martin of much larger, but those who did at-

of Chamber of Commerce and bor- at the Wonder Bar where Mr. Ross-(Continued on page Three)

## Court House Skunk

A well-fed, sleek, and unworried ystem will be installed to carry skunk threw consternation into Santa's brief message to all parts Centre county's Court House, Friday of the central business section.

While Santa is speaking Boy Court House yard for an nour or Scouts from Bellefonte will pass more until Martin Holderman, who through the crowd, giving to each is nearly 80 years old, gave chase child a ticket which will entitle him to the animal and finally killed it or her to a gift of candy from Santa, with a stone after chasing it half-Children with cards will file past way up to the jail on East High

for the gifts. This arrangement was | The skunk was discovered meanadopted to prevent larger children dering around the cellar entrance from crowding out the smaller ones. on the south side of the building Beginning tonight all stores in when Court House employes arrived Bellefonte, except food stores, will at work, shortly before 9 a. m. It remain open every night until was soon surrounded by a group of co-operation of the theatre manage- when Mr. Holderman thought the a civil case.

skunk on the run and finally dis- which was being tried yesterday. patched the animal.

ward, though, that the skunk had burglary, was found not guilty. not died without a struggle.

Few New Facts Revealed Nearly \$50,000 in Bonds State Commander Praises Sold in Special Events Post for Increase in in Bellefonte Membership

"The children met their death by gas escaping from a jet turned on by Campaign events in Bellefonte dursome unknown person."
That was the verdict rendered by a jury empaneled by Centre County a jury empaneled by Centre County cash value, it was reported yester-bush the events of the events and the sale cash value in the sale cash value, it was reported yester-bush the events of the events are constant of the events of Coroner Charles Sheckler, of Miles- day by those in charge of the events, ment Commander James F. Colly burg, to enquire into the death, last Tuesday night, of the three young children of Mr. and Mrs. John Hobart Rossman, whose lifeless bodies were found in bed in the family's gas-filled apartment in Haupt's Flats, North Thomas Street.

The tury meeting in the Court and raily in the Bellefonte High Instituted in 1928 with 28 mem-

Plans for the official opening of small children of that age by them movie premiers, admission to which has been even greater. Commander the Christmas season in Bellefonts, mounted yesterday by the Belleonte Chamber of the pury were Richard of a \$25 War Bond at the Plaza the present time the post has 432 announced yesterday by the Belleannounced yesterday by the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce, inAlterio, William H. Brouse, Edward theatre booth. Attendance at the
chude a Santa Claus parade tonight R. Owens, Harry N. Meyer, Mark W. Bond auction and rally was not
cation by tend participated well in the spiritlic church, and Willard Neff, of
Santa Claus in person will arrive

Willard Van Camp, of Pittsburgh,
by W. W. Sieg, of Bellefonte, Titan
by W. W. Sieg, of Bellefonte, Titan at the Community Athletic Field on timony given by the children's para and in Justries. Admission to the Bast Bispon street at 7 n. m. and ents: a neighbor. Mrs. Helen Orn. auction was the purchase of 50 cents. Bhinesmith, commander of the 22-d Belle Hotel. East Bichop street at 7 p. m. and ents; a neighbor. Mrs. Helen Orn-will be met there by a delegation dorf; A. G. Dunklebarger, bartender in war stamps at the ticket office.

Rhinesmith, commander of the 23rd. Belle Hotel.

Mr. Sleg

At the auction, conducted by I Frank Mayes, Lemont auctioneer the first item sold, a 5-gallon can of oil, brought the smallest price, \$12.50. Two items, a \$25 War Bond and a new Westinghouse electric iron tied (Continued on Page Seven)

2 Trials Result in Guilty Verdicts: 2 Not Guilty

spectators, who, nevertheless scat- sulting in verdicts of guilty and two cial reception given by the Presi-The film will be Gene Autry in tered in confusion every time it in not guilty verdicts, were disposed dent after his inaugural earlier the mission is now open for all persons made a move. It walked up the front of at the regular December criminal same day. The Chamber of Commerce also steps of the building, looked in the court, Monday and Tuesday of this sponsoring the free movie at the door, broused around over the porch week. Yesterday the court was con-Plaza, Saturday morning, through and otherwise was enjoying itself cluding the session with the trial of White House followed by an address The office in the court house will be in the fund are: YMCA, Centre

With E bonds, however, the story open at 9 a. m. and the show will Showing considerable courage and begin Monday of next week, was or- and special invited guests. s different. Hopes that the county begin at 9:30 a. m. All youngsters a complete absence of fear for pos- dered discontinued because only one sible consequences, he got the case was ready for trial-the one the Electoral College from this dis-Charles Barendt, of Philipsburg. You could tell for hours after- tried before a jury on a charge of (Continued on page Sta)

The jury, meeting in the Court Room, Tuesday night, further commented: "The parents, to our view, were \$47,901.87.

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## Couple Invited to

honor of the President and Vice- Nations in World War II. President elect of the United States. | Carboloy is the trade name given uguration ceremonies.

et, members of the Supreme Court, known substance harder than Carand the Chiefs of the Army and boloy. The product is peculiarly Navy and Air Forces have been in- effective for use in cutting and mavited as guests of honor. On the following day a reception will be given at the White House by the Four jury trials, two of them re- President and will be the first offi-

Civil Court, originally scheduled to the Congress, Presidential Electors morning to 5 o'clock in the evening, Salvation Army, Crippled Childrens

Mr. Brockerhoff is the member of when it will close at noon. trict, and his invitation to attend the inauguration ceremonies came from the Electoral Colleges of the United States.

Mr. Brockerhoff will perform the official duties of his office Monday, official duties of his office Monday.

December 18 when he will join the other Presidential Electors of Pennsylvania at the State Capitol in Harrisburg to cast the ballot for President and Vice-President of the Centre and Clearfield Bar 100 Attend Event at VFW United States.

## Mrs. A. C. Grove Guest of Honor on Birthday

Mrs. A. C. Grove, who with her trushand resides a short distance east of Bellefonte, reached her 81st birthday on Saturday and the following day, Sunday, her two sons arrived at the family home to pay their mother tribute. At the jinner served in honor of the occasion, the following were present: Roy Grove, of Bradford: Clair Grove, of Altoona; Mrs. Grove's sister and husband, Mrs. Grove's of Pieas-ant Gap, and Mr, and Mrs. A. C. Grove.

Both Mr, and Mrs. Grove enjoy

Members of the Court Room an hour before the funeral for Judge WFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the VFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the VFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the verming hour before the funeral for Judge Fleming, Priday, paid tribute to his memory by adoption of a resolution reviewing his life and achievements, and by a series of brief addresses by Bar members.

The Clinton County Bar Association joined in the tribute by presenting a somewhat similar resolution adopted by that organization, and which Judge Ivan Walker order-the greatest assets in winning success in sports or in life—were given by speakers at a dinner held in the VFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the VFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the VFW home last Thursday night by speakers at a dinner held in the verming, friday, paid tribute to his memory by adoption of a resolution of a resolution reviewing his life and achievements, and by a series of brief addresses by Bar members.

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Bob Higgins, head coach of the greatest assets in winning success in

# HeldUnder\$1000 **Bail For Court**

Man Charged With Aggravated Assault And Battery; Wife Taken to Hospital With Laceration of Throat.

At a hearing before Justice of the tution after undergoing treatment High street, yesterday afternoon, come home about 3 p. m., Monday; Charles Blair Harris, 40, of Hunt- that he had accompanied her downingdon, for six weeks a resident of town to a restaurant for supper; Bellefonte, was held under \$1000 that he had picked a quarrel with bail for court on charges of ag- an 18-year-old boy in the restaurgravated assault and battery. Bail was not immediately furnished and he was committed to the county

was filed by Chief of Police Harry Dukeman of Bellefonte, who was called to the North Spring street rooming house where Harris and his wife reside, about 9:30 p. m. Monday when a disturbance was reported in the Harris room. Chief Dukeman said that when

ie entered the rooming house he heard a woman's screams, and entering the Harris room found Harris and his wife in an altercation. The woman was on the bed, her face and clothing covered with blood, and Harris was in a threatening attitude over the bed. The officer reported that he

dragged the man away and the woman ran from the room, screamthe Widdowson ambulance was sum-

At the Centre County Hospital she was found to be suffering from a laceration under the chin which required three stitches to close; lacerations above the right eye and about the side of the neck, and A record of growth outstanding in numerous bruises about the arms.

Says Cartel on Carboloy Spells Victory For United Nations

An interesting story about Car- Pittsburgh football coach, and numbley and cartels and of their vital erous other celebritics.

who was unable to reach Bellefonte Hachmeister, Franklin Hood, Cecil in time for the meeting because of C. Carlson and C. I. Newell—most the heavy snow.

Illustrating his talk with samples The Inauguration of Carboloy and tools equipped with well known to older Bellefonte resbits and cutting edges made of that Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Brocker- material, Mr. Sieg declared that the noff, of West Bishop Street, Belle- product, in the opinion of many, a plate, may be made with Mr. Vanfonte, are planning to attend a re- represented the difference between Camp, or with Dr. Robert Irwin, ception and banquet to be given in victory and defeat for the United treasurer of the Alumni Association.

at Hotel Mayflower, Washington, D. to a fusion of tungsten and iron C., on January 19, 1945. The recep-tion and banquet are part of the in- Company, sole owners of patent and manufacturing rights in the United Members of the President's cabin- States. Diamonds are the (Continued on page Siz)

## REGISTRATION OPEN

who wish to register, change their The President will take the oath of party enrollment, change address, or to various agencies early in January in the presence of the Members of open each day from 9 o'clock in the County Hospital, County Library with the exception of all Saturdays Society, Pleasant Gap fire company

Peace William H. Brown on West Mrs. Harris said her husband had (Continued on Page Three)

### To Be Honored



James R. Hughes

A combined Christmas party and 80th birthday celebration in honor of James R. Hughes, of Bellefonte, headmaster of the former Bellefonte Academy, will be held by the Academy Alumni Association on Saturday evening. December 16, at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, ac-

Mr. Hughes' birthday will not ocanniversary party date was set at the convenience of the greatest number of Alumni.

Speakers at the party will include Dr. H. C. Carlson, basketball coach of the University of Pittsburgh: Jock Sutherland, former—University of

Mr. Sieg was pinch-hitting for Bernard Righy, Pat Householder, of them former Academy students

> Reservations for the dinner, at \$5 both of Pittsburgh.

#### Gap Welfare Fund **Drive Totals \$825**

Roy H. Adams, chairman of the Pleasant Gap Welfare Fund drive. yesterday reported that a total of \$825 in cash contributions has been received to date, and asks anyonwho was not visited during the drive to forward any additional funds The office of the Registration Com- either to him, or to Ralph Fornwalt.

The contributions will be allocated and Pleasant Gap playground.

# HOLD LAST RITES B. H. S. GRIDDERS

**Associations Honor** 

Memory

Members of the Centre County Bar, meeting in the Court Room an sports-or in life-were given by

both resolutions are also to be sent to members of Judge Flemings' family.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Grove enjoy good health, considering their advanced years. Mr. Grove will be 82 years of age next April.

Walkey Sale December 16
Because of an error last week in announcing the public sale of L. M. Walkey on the Elmer Hough farm, one mile west of Livonia, attention is called to the correct date, Saturday, December 16.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Grove enjoy The County resolution was presented by J. Thomas Mitchell, who was named by the Court as chairman of a committee to prepare the memorial. Assisting Mr. Mitchell were committee members J. Kennedy Johnston, District Attorney Musser W. Gettig; and Judge Fleming's law partner, William W. Litke. The Clinton County resolution was presented by Attorney A. Lipez, of (Continued on page Siz)

Brooks-Doll Post American Legion. Bellefonte, toastmaster at the dinner, declared that the determination never to quit fighting, no matter how great the odds, is a quality that cannot be over-emphasized.

Coach Higgins concluded his brief talk with the showing of several recis of Penn State's team in action during the past season, pointing out salient features of the various plays.

Toastmaster Hartranft, whose address came at the conclusion of the (Continued on page Siz)

## Home; Bob Higgins Speaker

Two principles for success in

ing to furnich references.

"The children now have enough But the most ambitious offer of of everything for the entire winter." all came from a man who wanted Mrs. Weber declared, Contributions to adopt a girl and a boy, "He said," of underwear were short, but Mrs. Mrs. Weber declared, Weber remedied that lack by pur-chasing the needed garments with for them if he could have them." West Bishop Street, Bellefonte.

chasing the needed garments with cash donated to the cause.

"There's enough left over to give the youngsters a fine Christmas," Mrs. Weber declared.

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Most of the clothing sent to the family was of good quality and many garments were practically new. Confirmed who contributed so generate Headquarters, West Bishop Street, Bellefonte.

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All members, husbands and friends are invited. Each woman is asked to bring food and table service for those she invites

Mrs. Jerome Maher of Leechburg, Mrs. Luther Kline of Altoons, Earl, George, Mrs. John Hall and Miss (Continued on page Tarce)

Offers of Adoption to 10 Children The ten children, aged 1 to 14 parts of Centre county and from years, of a Howard township family other counties, Mrs. Weber added. who were in dire straits last week The milkman delivered some of the the morning caused the fumes to and who were unable to attend items, the "electric light" man spread quickly through the room school because of the lack of cloth- brought others; some came by mail ing, are fully outfitted for the en- and some was delivered personally. tire winter, it was reported yester-day by Mrs. Balser Weber, of How-sons, offering aid. There were teleard, whose appeal in The Centre phone calls from persons who want-Democrat last week brought a flood ed to adopt the children and offer-

Appeal Brings Clothing, Money,

## Principals in Golden Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Teaman, Bellefonte