

State College Soldier Aids In Blowing Up Big Bridge

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Lt. Hipple Graduates As Liberator Pilot



One of a ten-man bomber crew trained to fight in B-24 Liberators and recently graduated at the heavy bombardment training base at Tucson, Ariz., is Second Lt. William F. Hipple, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hipple, West Lamb street, Bellefonte, who will soon be overseas as a pilot of the crew.

Brigadier McClellan Sends Xmas Greeting

A novel Christmas folder comes from Brigadier A. C. McClellan, commander of the post of the Salvation Army at Springfield, Illinois. It is ten by five inches. In the center appears a picture of the Lincoln tomb and the mask that stands before its entrance. In front is the Brigadier with the floral offering that the Swedish Salvation Army commander presented when he was in Springfield several months ago. To the left are these words, placed in Lincoln's mouth by the Commander: "Brigadier McClellan let me join with others in welcoming you to Springfield. I left this city in 1861 to become president. Eighty-eight years afterwards you come to uphold the high principles of truth and sincerity. God bless you."

Slightly Wounded in Europe Sgt. Eugene Homan, husband of the former Madeline Shuey of State College, R. D., and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Homan of Boalsburg, reported slightly wounded November 30 in action in Europe, is back on duty again, according to a letter received last week.

The young women who volunteer to serve the nation, in the WAVES, WACs or other organization, deserve the thanks of the country.

Advertisement for Vicks Vapo-Rol nasal spray, featuring a woman's face and the text "Ah! Now I Can Breathe Again!"

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BIRTHS

Hostermans Have Girl Mr. and Mrs. Ned Hosterman of Rebersburg, are the parents of a daughter, born Saturday at the Lock Haven hospital.

Son is Born Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Jackson of West Prospect avenue, State College, announce the birth of an eight-pound son at the Centre County Hospital last Wednesday.

Parents of Son Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Kleir of West Nittany avenue, State College, announce the birth of their first child, a son, John Doyle, born in the Centre County Hospital on Wednesday.

Daughter For Mornings Lt. and Mrs. John Moring of State College, announce the birth of a daughter, Sharen Ann, in the Centre County Hospital on December 12. Mrs. Moring is the former Dorothy Houtz of State College. Lt. Moring is overseas with the Third Army.

Daughter is Born Lt. and Mrs. R. H. Driscoll of Philadelphia, are the parents of a daughter, Caroline, born December 12 in that city. Mrs. Driscoll is Dr. Genvra Ziegler Driscoll, daughter of P. Thomas Ziegler of State College. The infant is the second girl in the Driscoll family.

Son For Coders Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Coder of East Logan street, Bellefonte, are the parents of their second son and second child born last Monday at the Centre County Hospital. Mrs. Coder is the former Carmella Campana of Valley View, while Mr. Coder is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Coder of Bellefonte.

Son For Olewines Mr. and Mrs. John Olewine, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are the parents of their first child, a daughter born last Thursday night in a Brooklyn hospital. The little girl is the first child in the family. Mrs. Olewine is the former Virginia Hughes, daughter of Charles Hughes of Brooklyn, former well known resident of Bellefonte.

Parents of Son Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Griffin, of the Locust case apartments, State College, announce the birth of their first child, a son, born in the Centre County Hospital on December 20. The infant weighed seven pounds, eleven and one-fourth ounces, and has been named Joseph Charles. Mrs. Griffin was formerly of New Geneva, Pa. Mr. Griffin is a member of the College faculty.

Son is Born Pvt. and Mrs. William L. Rhoads, of Bellefonte, are the parents of their first child, a son weighing 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born December 7 in the Centre County Hospital. Before her marriage Mrs. Rhoads was the former Betty Louise Estep, daughter of Mrs. Bertha Weaver of Bellefonte. Pvt. Rhoads, who is now with the armed forces in Germany, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rhoads of Coleville.

First Child Born Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Kish of West Foster avenue, State College, announce the birth of their first child, a son born in the Centre County Hospital on December 9. The infant weighed 7 pounds, 4 1/2 ounces and has been named Robert Alan. Mrs. Kish was formerly of Michigan City, Ind., and Mr. Kish, captain U. S. Army, retired, is employed at the Emergency Experimental Station at the College.

Parents of Daughter Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dickson of the Foster apartments, State College, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a baby daughter, Kathleen Marjorie, weight 8 pounds, 3 ounces, born December 5 in the Alicoona hospital. This is the Dickson's first child. Mrs. Dickson is the former Marjorie Watts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Watts of Bellefonte, and a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Lytle and Dean R. L. Watts, State College.

December means the tenth month; do you know it happens to be the twelfth month?

HONOR ROLL

His Troop Cited



Corporal Calvin Lewis, 23 years old, of Karthaus, was inducted into the Army October 15, 1942. Receiving his basic training at Fort Riley, Kansas, Corporal Lewis was assigned to the 30th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, serving overseas twenty months. He served in the African theatre, and took part in the invasion of Sicily, Salerno, Italy, and Southern France.

Corporal Lewis is the son of Mrs. Howard Lewis of Karthaus, and is married to Vera Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lewis of Snow Shoe. Mrs. Lewis is employed in New York City as a dental nurse and lives with her sister, Mrs. Laurence Woltmann.

The 3841 Division Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop has been cited by Major General John E. Dahlquist, commander of the 35th Texas Division for exceptional performance in Italy.

Participating in the 29-day push from Anzio beach-head area through Rome to the hills overlooking Pisa, the troop distinguished itself in many instances.

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Spring Mills Marine Testing Rifle Sights



Marine Private Clair E. Immel, 17, of Spring Mills, R. D. 2, uses a special training device to study correct alignment of the sights of his automatic rifle, during an intensive marksmanship course he underwent as part of his "boot camp" training at Camp Matthews, San Diego, Cal. Pvt. Immel completed training in September this year and since then has been serving in the South Pacific area.

He entered the service on May 13, 1944, and prior to that time was employed in the Renovo car shops.

Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Austin P. Watson of Milesburg, arrived home from overseas duty late in November and are spending 30-day furloughs at their parental home.

Thomas R. Watson, S 1/c, aged 32, has been serving in the South Pacific area since August 1943. He attended the Milesburg grade schools and was employed by the Warner Company here at the time he entered the Navy in April 1943. He received boot training at Great Lakes, Ill., and after undergoing further training was assigned to duty in the Pacific.

S/Sgt. Taylor A. Watson, 21, was sent overseas in June 1944 and when he started home late in October had completed 31 missions as a gunner aboard a bomber with the 15th Air Force in Italy. While overseas he was awarded the Air Medal and also three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Sgt. Watson was graduated from the Bellefonte High School in the class of 1940 and was employed by the Titan Metal Company when he entered the service October 16, 1942. He received training in Atlantic City, a gunnery school at Ft. Myers, Florida; at Boise, Idaho; Salt Lake City, Utah; Decatur, Ill., and Tampa, Florida, before he was assigned to combat duty in Italy.

Both brothers will be home for Christmas.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Claude H. Decker, et ux, to Mary A. Smith, et bar, of State College, tract in State College, \$1.

Penn State College Alpha Gamma Rho Alumni Association, to Irvin M. Mohr, et ux, of State College, tract in State College, \$1.

Cloyd S. Harkins, et al, to Henry Willett, et ux, of Phillipsburg, tract in Phillipsburg, \$1.

Victor H. Theiss, et ux, to Lloyd J. Shankle, et ux, of Phillipsburg, tract in Rush Twp., \$2,000.

Susan Emery, by executors, to Sidney T. Riezel, et ux, of Centre Hall, tract in Centre Hall, \$2,475.

Isabel Johnson Reitz, attorney-in-fact, to Ralph Ardell Cleaver, et ux, of Snow Shoe Twp., tract in Boggs Twp., \$1.

Ruth T. King, to Claude H. Decker, et ux, of State College, tract in State College, \$1.

First National Bank of State College, to Robert R. Horner, et ux, of Boalsburg, tract in Harris Twp., \$1.

Lester O. Pletcher, et ux, to Ruth L. Kline, of Howard, R. D., tract in Howard Twp., \$1.

George P. Matern, et ux, to Rosalie M. Stefn, of Phillipsburg, tract in Rush Twp., \$1,500.

State College Presbyterian church to Charles Schlow, et ux, of State College, tract in State College, \$1.

Anne T. H. Henszey, to State College Presbyterian church, tract in State College, \$1.

Mary Elizabeth Dreese, et bar, to C. Bruce Struble, et ux, of College Twp., tract in College Twp., \$1.

Amanda H. Gardner, to Samuel E. Poorman, et ux, of Howard, tract in Howard, \$1.

George S. Keller, by heirs, to Rilla M. Keller, of State College, tract in State College, \$1.

Harry E. McClintey, to Jacob D. Corman, et ux, of Pleasant Gap, tract in Spring Twp., \$1.

Emery E. Day, et ux, to William Keller Snyder, et ux, of Rebersburg, tract in Miles Twp., \$100.

Clair C. Baumgardner, et ux, to Harry Meeker, Jr., et ux, of Snow Shoe Twp., tract in Snow Shoe Twp., \$175.

It's almost the last call for wives to let their husbands know what they expect for Christmas.

People without responsibility are often anxious to solve tremendous problems.

The slogan, "Remember Pearl Harbor," could be changed to "Remember Japanese Treachery."

Receives Honor



Pvt. Iovine, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Iovine, of North Thomas street, Bellefonte, has been awarded a battle star for his Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon in recognition of his combat duty while in the battle for Empress Augusta Bay sector at Bougainville. In addition to this award, he wears the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary behavior, efficiency and fidelity.

Pvt. Iovine was called for service on July 17, 1943, and on July 31 went to New Cumberland for induction. He received his basic and technical training at Camp Ellis, Ill., and in January this year was assigned to overseas duty. He was stationed for a time on New Caledonia, then on Guadalcanal, and is now serving with the Quartermaster Corps in the Southern Pacific.

Pvt. Iovine had completed his junior year at the Bellefonte High School a month before he entered the armed forces.

Centre County Hospital Notes

Monday of Last Week Admitted: Fred S. West, State College.

Discharged: Samuel Koch, Bellefonte, R. D. 3; Mrs. Philip Ghaner and infant daughter, Port Matilda, R. D.; Mrs. James F. Weaver and infant son, Lemont.

Tuesday of Last Week Admitted: Robert Morris, Bellefonte.

Admitted Tuesday, discharged on Thursday: Mrs. Hugh Toland, Bellefonte, R. D. 2.

Discharged: Mrs. E. E. Widdowson, Bellefonte; Katherine L. Hockenberry, Bellefonte, R. D. 3; Mrs. Clarence Jackson and infant son, State College.

Wednesday of Last Week Admitted: Alfred Crawford, Centre Hall; Maxine Crafts, Bellefonte. Admitted Wednesday, discharged Saturday: Martha Veneziano, Clarence; George Darr, Bellefonte.

Discharged: Evandee Gandy, of Bellefonte.

Expired: Infant male Wernham, State College; Mrs. Harold F. Graves, State College.

Thursday of Last Week Admitted: Charles Isenberg, of Boalsburg.

Discharged: Harold Sunday, Bellefonte, R. D. 2; Mrs. Kathryn Rupp, State College; Mrs. Walter C. Kish and infant son, State College; Mrs. William Spicer and infant daughter, Bellefonte, R. D. 3; Mrs. Clifford C. Wernham, State College.

Expired: Charles Shope, Bellefonte, R. D.; William H. Johnsonbaugh, Bellefonte, R. D.; infant female Walker, Centre Hall.

Friday Discharged: Mrs. Edward Miller and infant daughter, Bellefonte, R. D.; Mrs. Eugene Klier and infant son, State College; Harry Holderman, Bellefonte; Mrs. Charles Anderson, Bellefonte, R. D. 3; John C. Homan, State College, R. D. 1.

Birth: A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Houser, Bellefonte, R. D. 1.

Saturday Admitted: Miss Helen V. Camp, State College; Donald Homan, Aaronsburg.

Discharged: Frank Marino, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. Ross Lowder, Oak Hall Station; Thomas Horner, State College, R. D.; Henry E. Clevestine, Bellefonte, R. D. 2; Claire Baumgardner, Moshannon.

Births: A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James C. Gilliland, Oak Hall Station; a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Benner, of Bellefonte.

Expired: Peter D. Wells, Centre Hall, R. D. 1; Mrs. John L. Deitrick, Bellefonte, R. D. 2.

Sunday Admitted: Howard Evey, State College.

Discharged: Mrs. Leona Thompson, Bellefonte; Calvin Weaver, Jr., Rebersburg; Stephen P. Smith, of Phillipsburg, R. D. 1; Mrs. Charles Griffin and infant son, State College.

Birth: A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul N. Alters, of Woodward.

There were 32 patients in the hospital at the beginning of this week.

Receives Service Award For Aiding Aircraft Repair

For designing a wheeltire-puller which has jumped aircraft landing gear repair by 500 per cent, Master Sergeant Richard D. Ulrich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Ulrich, of 222 Spring street, Bellefonte, recently received the Distinguished Service Award of his Air Service Command depot in England.

The award, given to soldier-technicians whose outstanding services have helped the depot surpass world production records for aircraft repair, was personally presented to Sgt. Ulrich by his commanding officer, Col. John G. Moore, of Las Animas, Colorado. The ceremony took place in one of the depot's huge hangars.

At a time when faster disassembly of aircraft tires was critically needed at the depot, Sgt. Ulrich devised his wheeltire-puller which, in the hands of one semi-skilled soldier, can remove a tire in less than one minute. The job formerly took two skilled technicians from 30 to 45 minutes. The device also eliminates the dangerous practice of heat treatment and jamming formerly used.

Ulrich is also responsible for a modification to aerial cameras which has increased their efficiency at extremely high altitudes.



A former tool and die designer for the Titan Metal Manufacturing Co. of Bellefonte and engineering student of Penn State College, Sgt. Ulrich is now production engineer at the depot.

Orviston Soldier Is Wounded 2nd Time

A War Department telegram received last Wednesday by Mr. and Mrs. William A. Packer of Orviston, revealed that their son, Pfc. Claude R. Packer, 23, was wounded a second time in the ETO fighting.

Pfc. Packer was slightly wounded Nov. 25, Wednesday's message stated. He was first wounded in action in France, July 25 of this year, his parents were notified early in August. Later his parents were notified that he had returned to duty August 10.

The Orviston soldier, a member of an infantry division, entered service about a year-and-a-half ago and after training several camps went overseas in May of this year. He has four brothers also serving in the armed forces. They are Pvt. Calvin, now in India; Pvt. Lloyd, now serving in France; Richard, S 2/c, in the U. S. Navy, and Pvt. Albert, now stationed at Ft. Knox, Ky.

Mt. Eagle Sailor Receives Promotion

Robert Edwin Rager, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Rager, of Howard, R. D. 1, who has just returned from a trip to France and who is home for a 30-day furlough, has completed the Navy training course for Coxswain and has been promoted to that rank. He now is a Petty Officer, 1st class.

Coxswain Rager has completed four trips across the Atlantic as a member of an armed guard aboard a merchant vessel. On his most recent trip to France he visited the grave of Cpl. William F. Leathers, of Mt. Eagle, who was killed in France late in August.

Receives Honorable Discharge

Army Instructor Harold B. Cronster was honorably discharged on Dec. 6th after nearly two and one-half years of faithful service to his country, serving at different posts in South Carolina, North Carolina, Maryland and Missouri. Mr. Cronster is a graduate of Lock Haven State Teachers' College, receiving his B. S. degree in 1934, and taught in the Centre county schools for seven years previous to his induction. He was promoted to "Army Instructor" shortly after entering the army. He expects to resume teaching in the public schools as soon as his health is improved.

Seaman Visits Parents

George R. Bowmaster, Jr., seaman 2/c, who has been training at Great Lakes, Ill., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Bowmaster, Sr., at Monument, recently. He was formerly employed in the brickyards at Monument and entered the Navy last September.

Mill Hall Man Missing

Pvt. John J. Snook, husband of Mrs. Ruth M. Snook, of Mill Hall, has been missing in action in Germany since Dec. 6, the War Department informed Mrs. Snook, Thursday.

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