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Pvt. Donald L. Bloom

Killed in Action

T-5 Charles R. Breon

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Belgium on December 17, it was re-

2nd Lt. James A. Graham

· France early last month.

The wounded are:

on January 19.

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BELLEFONTE, PA., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1945

8 Bellefonte Men CHARGE FROM In Casualty Lists UNLOADED GUN

Four Die; One Missing and Three Wounded WUUNDS YU On Battlefronts. Other County Men Are Reported Wound William Summers, 14,

Bellefonte received one of its vealed to Department telegrams heaviest blows to date this week to relate the during the weekwhen casualty reports from World end. War II revealed that four local men | On Januar Oche War Department

had lost their lives in action. In had notified the families of the men addition another is missing in action that all were missing in action in and five Bellefonte men and two Belgium as of December 17, the day from other parts of Centre county of the opening of the great German pedition by four Boggs township breakthrough. It is indicated that boys who had taken the day off Pvt. Donald L. Bloom, T 5 Charles the trio, all members of a field ar- from school ended in tragedy short-R. Breon, 22. and Pfc. Donald J. tillery unit, lost their lives at that ly after noon, Monday, when Earl

The men are: Pvt. Donald L. ly wounded his brother, William R. Bloom, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wil-Summers, 12. liam Bloom, of Pleasant View, just The boys are sons of Mr. and Mrs. north of Bellefonte. T/5 Charles R. Roy Summers, who reside along the north of Bellefonte. To Charles R. Roy Summers, who reside along the Bron, usband of Mrs. Virginia Cunmo Breon, also of Pleasant New and Pfc. Donald J. Flack, 21, con of Mrs. Ruth K. Flack, of North Byring street, Bellefonte, formerly the absence of their mother and of their grandfather. The boys' father their grandfather. The boys' father of Halfmoon Terrace.

Playing. Condition

Serious

An ill-fated turkey hunting ex-

The wounded youth received

As it was, William suffered great-

been unsatisfactory since the mis-

Present in the little home at the

time of the shooting were William

and Earl Summers and two friends,

Donald Burns, 14, and his brother,

Walter, aged 9, who reside not far

All the boys attend the Boggs

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for Action by Grand

Jury, Monday

ing were sentenced to pay the costs

of prosecution, fines of \$1 each and

from the Summers home.

De alle of how they lost their lives is employed in Akron, Ohlo, vill not be known until further word glancing blow from a charge of shot

The military histories of the three the outer side of his right knee at men are almost identical. They en- the joint, tearing the flesh and shattered the armed forces on January tering the knee joint. 19. 1943, and at the induction conter at New Cumberland were assigned to the field artillery and were sent the wounded lad was saved from alther the wounded lad was saved from the wounded lad w to Camp Gruber, Oklahoma. Later most certain death, As soon as the they were transferred to the field shot was fired, the other boys real-artillery observation school at Ft. Sill, Okla., and in August 1944 were and immediately applied a tournient to England.

ent to England.

The men served in France. Belfor a moment or two every fifteen sium. Holland and Germany, and minutes to allow a limited circulawere sent back into Belgium only a tion of blood through the damaged hort time before they were listed as limb. missing in action. Relatives here



GM Harvey N. Benn, Jr.

know that Bloom and Breon were together most of the time and it is believed that Flack also was in the

Pvt. Bloom attended the Spring ownship schools and for several years was employed on the Thomas B. Beaver farm in Bellefonte, Later he accepted a position in the launand was employed there at the time he entered the service. He was home of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of some service. He was home of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of some service. He was home of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of some service. The service is a scheduled to begin at some service. The was home of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of some service. The was home of larceny, Clarence W. Zerby, of some service. The was home of larceny is a scheduled to begin at some service. The was home of larceny is a scheduled to begin at some service. The was home of larceny is a scheduled to begin at scheduled to be scheduled to begin at scheduled to be sch he entered the service. He was home of Spring Mills, R. D. at a special last Memorial Day for a 10-day fur- session of court here Monday morn-

He was born at Pleasant View, a son of William and Viola Hassinger of prosecution, fines of \$1 each and bloom, who survive with four brothers of the deceased, Pfc. William county jail for 60 days, and Cpi. Mahlon Bloom, both in ing two tires and tubes from a trac-France, and Herbert and Dale, at tor after it had been sold at public in the Navy, and son of Mr. and

Cpl. Breon was a son of Mrs. Catherine Martin Breon Jacobs, of slightly wounded in France on Jan- Steubenville, Ohio, His father is

Mills on December 15. Pfc, George A. Hall, 20, of Snow While in training at Ft. Sill, Okla. Shoe, injured in Belgium, January he contracted spinal meningitis and was in the camp hospital several Pfc, Harry E. Breon, State College, months.

seriously wounded in France on Jan- Before entering the service he was employed by the Warner Company and also worked for Kelly's Ice Co., drunken driving.

Three Bellefonte men who shared and Goldman's Market. their entire army life together, met "Jim," as he was known by most death together on a battlefield in people in Bellefonte, lived with his

D., violation vehicle code, Harry Fink, Clearfield, F. & B. Navigator's Only 'Injury'

Believe Local Man

Twelve hundred American prison- Members of Court Patrick Mcers of war, probably including at Ardle, C. D. of A. of Bellefonte, met least one Centre county man, were Monday night in the K. of C. rooms removed to Germany from a camp on West High street with Mrs. Mary near Posen, Poland, ahead of lib- Gray, grand regent, presiding.

State Department. From a camp magazine subscriptions during the ter, identified as Oflag 64, at Schubin, month of January.

many, it is believed here.

Bellefonte Man Visited By Royalty In England



The Lord Lieutenant of Hartford- tolking to Hart. N. Zell, J. of South fonte. Upon Mr. Schaeffer's death notified the main office to check the lons of sauerkraut; 42,660 gallons of from their commanding officer is refired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied Water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was be entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire, Lord Hampden, accompanied water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the Warfired from a charge of shire water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the Warfired from the charge of shire water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the water street. Bellefonte, who was the entered the employ of the water street. Bellefonte, who was the en about five feet. The charge struck by Lady Hampden, recently paid an indeption medical treatment at the ner Company and was working there underway, was discovered. The cannery buildings are when he entered the armed forces. The cannery buildings are official visit to an American military. Zell is widely known in Bellefonte on March 23, 1944. His wife, Mrs. at the northeast corner of the prison hospital in Hertfordshire, England, and vicinity, For many years prior Helen R. Zell, and two children, stockade.

and spent several hours chatting to the death of the late Harvey P. Margie and Dale, reside just off Schaeffer, he was employed at the South Water street, on what In the photo above they are seen Shaeffer hardware store in Belle-known as "Stony Batter.

ALL-STAR TEAM

TO PLAY HERE

cumbs to Self-Inflict-Club to Appear in Beneed Injury fit Game, Monday

A wounded veteran of World War | An all-ster basketball game will | The tax rate for Bellefonte Bor-

township school at Central City, but township school at Central City, but had stayed away from school that day and had gone to the Summers home where they spent some time hunting turkeys, according to statements furnished State Police officers John Elserhooth and E. B. Barney. Of Rockview sub-station.

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turning to the Summers home, Wil- unconscious. He was taken to the basketball players now in the armed the time has come for Council to liam Summers is said to have point- hospital in the Widdowson ambu- forces at Olmstead Field, Middleed a 22 rifle at his brother, with lance. Centre County Coroner town, Pa. This team is the best ser-Charles Sheckler of Milesburg, said death had resulted from a selfinflicted wound.

The Bellefonte soldier enlisted in State College, Lock Haven and Wilthe Air Porces on December 10, 1940. llamsport. a year before Pearl Harbor, and trained at several camps, including Key Field, Meridan, Miss., before

being sent overseas in 1942. After being wounded in North Africa he was hospitalized and on June 1, 1943, was returned to the Only Four Cases Listed United States, entering Halloran General Hospital, Staten Island. Later he was sent to Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., and also underwent treatment at the Entering pleas of guilty to charges Veterans' Hospital in Coatesville be- p. m., will be preceded by another

During the latter part of last year wil be 50 cents for adults and 25 (Continued on page Two)

Former Local Man Is War Casualty Bellefonte Woman Is Eighty Years Old

team.

The men were charged with stealsale and before the purchaser re- Mrs. Thomas Grove, of Altoons, died ored on her eightieth birthday anmoved the machine from the prem- last week at a base hospital in Caliises. The theft occurred at the Mrs. fornia as the result of an illness at a buffet luncheon given by her Orphie Dobbles sale near Spring believed here to have been tuber-

The District Attorney yesterday Seaman Grove was quite well Godfrey avenue, Philadelphia. announced that only four cases are known in Bellefonte, having spent listed for presentation to the Grand three or four summers before enter- John O. Kline, Milton; Mrs. Minnie Jury when that body meets here on ing the Navy, with the Harry Bar-S. Lilley, Lewisburg; Mr. and Mrs. Monday.

Monday. street, when they resided in Armor Adler, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Platowsky, Chester G. Bloom, of Clearfield, Gap. Grove assisted Mr. Barner in Auer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sebastian, Mr. and the trucking business. His father is Mrs. F. Oberfield, Mrs. Edith Peters, Martin L. Cordery, escaping from at sea with the Sea-Bees,

Mrs. Margaret Thompson, Mrs. Mar-The Altoonan had served in the Merrill L. Meyer, Spring Mills, R. South Pacific for about two years Mrs. Herbert Brown, Mrs. Mary before becoming ill, His last visit in Coates, Miss E. Little, Miss Leila Bellefonte was about two years ago In addition, one surety of the wille he was home on furlough, peace case is to be heard at the us- Surviving are his parents, his wife. Robb, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Adual session of summary and domes- and three sisters, all residing in Al- ful and useful gifts. Mrs. Kline is tic relations court next Thursday, toons.

The case is that in which Isaac But- The body is being brought to Aller, of Philipsburg, is the defendant. toona for burial.

the past twenty-five years she has made her home in Philadelphia. Lift Restrictions on

Legion Scout Troop of Belleforte crating Russian armies, Senator Tom During the meeting it was voted has opened memberships to boy Connally (D. Tex.) was advised in to contribute \$5 to the Infantile who are not sons of Legionnaires

ag Camp No. 3-A, at Luckenwald, Germany.

Germany.

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Germany.

Lt. Edgar A. Spicher, son of Mr. describing the care of electrical kitters and minute, so he ordered all equipment not necessary to keep us airborne to be thrown from the Fort.

"By the time the ball turret, flak suits, guns and ammunition had suits and su ceived by Mr. Martin

ly from shock and loss of blood, and for that reason his condition has Carmen J. Torsell, 26, Suc-Olmstead Field Service Council President Sieg De-building shoke and loss of blood, and building shoke and loss of blood, and for that reason his condition has mands Better Law Enforcement

II, who received an honorable dis- be held at the new Bellefonte High ough for 1945 was retained at 13 the fire 80 per cent of the 1944 outcharge from the service on October School gymnasium on Monday night, mills by action of Borough Council put of the cannery had been shipped 27, 1943, died at the Centre County February 12, for the benefit of the at a regular meeting, Monday night, to other state institutions so only a Hospital here at 5 a. m. Sunday as local March of Dimes campaign, when a budget calling for estimated comparatively small quantity was the result of a self-inflicted 32-cal- which closes next Thursday. receipts and expenditures of \$60,- in storage at the time of the fire.

quit talking about better police protection and to do something about vice team in the country. The op- it. He cited a case of flagrant motor posing team will be made up of outviolations on the part of a man who standing players from Bellefonte, Monday noon drove at high speed through town several times. In addition to breaking speed laws and Secretary Watson, one of the best endangering school children, he said. basketball payers ever to come from the car had no muffler. No police by Representative D. Emmert Brum-Davis, former rector of the Belie-Bellefonte, will be one of the local were in sight during the violations, baugh, three new Veterans Adminmembers of the "pick-up" team, he added, declaring proper police ac- istration hospitals are provided for while Pfc. Henry Casper, of Belle- tivity would do away with traffic Pennsylvania and one for Delaware priesthood at impressive ceremonies fonte, home on furlough from a perviolations in town. lod of duty in Italy, and former

An exchange of words resulted be-BHS basketball star, will be the tween Mayor Hardman P. Harris and Independent Offices Appropriation Borough Health Officer W. W. Bick-(Continued on page Six)

Plans Classes Here



B. KENNETH JOHNSTONE

Herbert Brown, Mrs. Mary "Building or Buying a Home." series of six informal classes for prospective home-owners, will be conducted by the Penn State Department of Architecture and the a daughter of the late Samuel Olewine and has been a resident of February 19, according to the an-College extension services, beginning Bellefonte for fifty-five years. Por nouncement today by Mrs. Mary Harvey Scott, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the course in Bellefonte.

War restrictions have caused a backlog of two million homes awaitng to be built in the United States. said B. Kenneth Johnstone, head of (Continued on page Two)

Woman Receives

identified as Oflag 64, at Schubin, month of January.

Any boy who is 12 years or older street, underwent treatment at the Poland, the men were taken to Stalage Camp No. 3-A, at Luckenwald, Power representative, showed slides ported by Charles E. Martin, of East, weekend for injuries received Friday.

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Heavy Damage In Fire at Rockview

Cannery Buildings Swept By Flames; Auxiliary Building is Destroyed and Machinery Damaged. Cause of Blaze Unknown

in the electrical system destroyed an building Friday afternoon.

everything was in order a half hour tables totaled 247,626 gallons. This later when a prison inspector made figure included 20,928 gallons of apa routing check of the buildings, ples, 67.620 gallons of apple sauce; Evortly before 5 p. m. a guard in 1.194 gallons of apple jelly: 42,342 one of the prison towers noticed gallons of peas; 5,028 gallons of spinsmoke pouring from the eaves of the ach; 19,884 gallons of grean beans roof of the cannery building. He 27.306 gallons of corn; 15.432 gal-

The frame auxiliary building Now Army Chaplain is burned to the ground, while the main building, of concrete blocks, was stripped of most of its wooden window frames and other woodwork by flames which were blown in a roaring blast from the auxiliary section. Canning machinery damaged included a corn husker, bean snipper, pea cleaner and apple parer, in addition to a small amount of canned food stored in the buildings, Intense heat caused a number of cans of applesauce to explode. In the main added to the fire loss.

Officials said a small crew of prison help had been working daily in the cannery labeling and shipping canned fruit and vegetables grown on prison grounds. At the time of The day before the fire 2 crew of

ious Sites May Again Be Considered

According to a statement issued in the \$84,500,000 appropriation contained in the three billion dollar ber 29, 1943. tions Committee.

in Eastern Pennsylvania consisting of 1200 beds; while an 1800 bed hospital for the treatment of neurosychiatric patients will be erected in Western Pennsylvania with an additional 1200 bed hospital in that (Continued on page Two)

Logans To Observe

celebrate its 75th birthday on Thurs- front. day, February 22, with a panquet to One of them is an iron cross. Gerbe held that evening at Brooks-Doll nan military decoration; another Post American Legion Home, East is a swastika tie pin, and another Howard street. The ladies of the is a cheaply made Nazi pin. Also Legion Auxiliary will serve the din- among the souvenirs is a religious

ner are requested to dial 3100 im- of Adolf Hitler mediately so that reservations can Mrs. Cox is the former Pauline be made.

Pire which officials believe may prison painters had just completed have been caused by a short circuit painting the woodwork in the main

auxiliary building at the Rockview Firemen used water from booster prison canvery, and damaged the tanks and also obtained a steady main building and much of the can- supply of water from fire plugs on ning machinery and equipment, late the prison grounds fed by the prison reservoir in McBride's Gap.

Righ winds blew flames from the Officials were unable to estimate wooden auxiliary building into the the amount of the loss. It is believed main building and firemen from that the destroyed structure may be Bellefinte, Pleasant Gap and State replaced with a building of fireproof College battled the fire for more construction.

an three hours. The Rockview cannery is a major Work in the cannery was discon- industry at the prison. The 1944 tinued at about 4 p. m. Friday, and output of canned fruits and vege-The cannery buildings are located gallons of tomato juice.



La Gray, son of Mr. and James Gray of Wilson street, Bellefonte, and who last year became recof the Episcopal church at Ho lidaysburg, on January 18 enlisted in the U. S. Army as a chaplain and has received a commission as a first Congressman Says Prev- Heutenant. Lt. and Mrs. Gray came to Bellefonte early this week for a brief visit with the former's parents before going to Ft. Devens, Mass., where he will be stationed for the

> time being. Lt. Gray and Rev. Francis P. fonte church, were ordained to the held in the church here on Septem-

The army chaplain was graduated bill favorably reported to Congress from the Bellefonte High School in February 5 by the House Appropria- the class of 1936, attended Bard College of Columbia University for As Congressman Brumbaugh ex-plained, this appropriation launch-General Theological Seminary in es the initial program of providing New York City on February 10, 1943. additional hospital and domiciliary In March of that year he went to facilities under the recently enacted Altoona as curate of St. Luke's "G. I." Law. The hospital program church and also served as vicar of provides for the location of a gen- the Holy Trinity church at Hollieral medical and surgical hospital daysburg. After his ordination as

Receives Souvenirs From German Front

Mrs. William Cox, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Nevin Smith, of East High street, recently received from her 75th Anniversary husband, Captain Cox, who is with a field artillery unit in Germany, The Logan Fire Company will several souvenirs from that battle-

medal, apparently made in Belgium Any Logan members who have for the tourist trade, and a German not received invitations to the din- postage stamp bearing the likeness

Home From Scenes of War, Appeals for Nurses

prove news to her friends in Belle- sick and wounded in military hosfonte and Centre Hall, Lieutenant pitals in this country but also as re-Head Injury in Fall Strohm Person, spent many of her borne the long months of constant vacations in Centre Hall with the service since the war began. Mrs. Anna Johnson, of Valentine late Mrs. Margaret Strohm, and in Red Cross is doing a good job in the

after two years of active service in

The recent return of Lieutenant North Africa and Corsica, 'oday ad-Beulsh Person to her home in Tren- ded her plea to registered nurses to the Department of Architecture, ton, N. J., after two years of service join the armed forces.

(Continued on page Two) In the Army nurse camps of North The army, she said, needs nurses Africa and Sicily, will no doubt at once, not only to take care of the

Person, a niece of Albert E. and Lola placements for the nurses who have



"Lady Be Good," flying with the Third Air Division's 452nd Bomb Group on an Eighth Air Force bombing assault against vital marshalling yards at Hanau, Germany, was hit by flak immediately after "bombs One engine was "knocked out" and caught fire. but as the bomber began to lose altitude, the wind smothered the flames. "Five minutes after that," recalled

Lt. Graham, "the propeller on one

(Continued on page Two)

A torn pair of pants was the only injury sustained by Second Lieutenant James A. Graham, 26, whose wife lives in Bellefonte, navigator on the B-17 Flying Fortress "Lady Be Good," when he was forced to bail out of his crippled plane over Amer-

Miss Soissons Speaks In Prison Transfer at CDA Meeting Here

Bishop street

Scout Membership

other local member of the opposing

The feature game, beginning at 8

cents for children. All proceeds will

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Mrs. Catherine E. Kline was hon-

son-in-law and daughter. Mr. and

Mrs. Arthur J. Adler, at 532 West

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs.

Washington early this week.

The Senator said his information that a check had been received from the United States Embassy in Switzerland, through the representing commissions on sales of the Post, Monday night, when it is the Curtis Publishing Company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the representing commissions on sales of the Post, Monday night, when it is a meeting that a meeting that a check had been received from the Post, Monday night, when it is a meeting that a meeting that a meeting of the Post, Monday night, when it is a meeting that a meeting of the Post, Monday night, when it is a meeting that a check had been received from the United States Embassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy in Switzerland, through the company was announced that sufficient membassy is suffic