

Pennsylvania Leads Nation In Plant Expansion

(Prepared for the Centre Democrat by the State Planning Board, Department of Commerce.)

A report of the Defense Production Administration lists Pennsylvania as first among the states of the nation in expansion of manufacturing facilities for the National defense.

Between Oct. 30, 1950 and Apr. 6, 1951, the record of plants granted accelerated tax amortization for the construction of new industrial facilities to carry out defense contracts, shows a national total of \$4,100,000,000. According to Federal records the greatest concentration of expansion for defense manufacture is occurring in the three middle Atlantic states, and two-thirds of the expansion in that area is slated to occur in Pennsylvania. The totals to Apr. 6 in the middle Atlantic are as follows:

Pennsylvania: \$756,460,000; New York: \$279,487,000; New Jersey: \$117,310,000. Texas, the second state in the nation, has \$569,873,000. Ohio, third, \$376,336,000; Connecticut: \$324,233,000; California: \$192,793,000. Pennsylvania's expansions to Apr. 6 of this year are 18 1/2% of the national total, and nearly three times as great as in the three states on the Pacific Coast.

The State Planning Board of the Pennsylvania Department of Commerce points out these figures of industrial expansion for defense manufacture confirm the post-war trend shown by the Census of Manufactures in 1947, which recorded the fact that the expenditure by Pennsylvania firms for expansion of manufacturing plants and facilities was greater than that of any other state.

State College Man Wounded

Lt. Robert Keller Hurt in Korea War

Second Lt. Robert S. Keller, of State College, Pa., has been wounded in action in Korea.

In letters received last week, he stated he had suffered wounds which severed the nerves in his right arm and that he was being returned to Tokyo for an operation.

Lt. Keller, who was stationed with the 6th Regiment Tank Co., Third Infantry Division, was believed to have been wounded in his second day in combat while commanding a platoon of heavy tanks.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis O. Keller, of Newark, N.J., formerly of State College and Bellefonte, Lt. Keller was graduated from the State College High School in 1945, and from Penn State last June. He served in the Air Corps for 18 months following World War II, when he was a rifle platoon instructor at Chanute Field, Ill.

Following his graduation from Penn State where he was a member of the advanced ROTC Unit, he went to Fort Knox, Ky., where he was commissioned. He spent a three weeks' leave in State College in February, and early in March left for the West Coast from where he was shipped to Japan and Korea.

Sportsmen And Nature Combine To Aid Game

Mother Nature is usually remembered for her charm and beauty, but she has her ruthless side. Wildlife know she is often inexorably cruel to her children during rigorous winters.

Along Pennsylvania valleys hundreds, sometimes thousands, of dead deer have been found in spring—victims of malnutrition. In recent years, as wild turkeys spread over most of the state's mountainous terrain, there was apprehension lest these magnificent birds, too, might succumb to short rations in severe cold weather.

Game managers express the belief that forest wildlife, particularly deer and wild turkeys, survived unexpectedly well largely because of supplemental feeding and a fortunate combination of events in nature.

They point out that the fruit and nut crop last fall was the most bountiful in many years. Forest creatures went into winter in excellent condition, carrying a heavy layer of fat on which to draw in lean periods when food would be scarce.

Harris Letters Continued—Venice, Switzerland, Death

Mrs. Livingston is the recipient of the next communication dated Feb. 17th, 1872, in which he speaks of hearing from James Harris, the hardware merchant of Bellefonte, and asks her to allow him to read this letter. His thoughts have more and more of a religious tendency in each succeeding letter, and he rejoices that they have had a real Protestant service on the Sunday before at the Consulate itself which was conducted by a Rev. Mr. McNaughton, a professor of the Theological Seminary of Belfast, Ireland, of truly Scotch-Presbyterian tendencies, with a congregation of some twenty persons.

He speaks in an off-hand way of having entertained Gen. William T. Sherman, his aide Col. Audenreid, and Lieut. Frederick Grant, a son of the President at luncheon a few days since. That Mrs. Harris had apologized to the General for what she termed a plain luncheon, since she knew he had just been enter-

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Renovo Mountain Television Experiment Achieves Success

Opens Tax Office



Clifford A. Johnston

Announcement was made this week that Bellefonte is to have a full Accounting and Tax Service. Clifford A. Johnston, who recently passed the examination for Certified Public Accountants, and who has been engaged in public accounting and tax work in Phillipsburg many years, opened an office Tuesday on the second floor of the Bellefonte Trust Co. building. He will handle all types of public accounting, auditing, Federal and State taxes, payroll tax work and installation of bookkeeping systems.

Mrs. John B. Miller, of 143 East Linn Street, will be employed as secretary. Mr. Johnston is active in many community projects in Phillipsburg and also is well-known in Bellefonte. He is past-president and presently a director of the Kiwanis Club of Phillipsburg, a former secretary of the Phillipsburg Retail Merchants Association, president of the Moshannon Shrine Club, secretary of the Phillipsburg Council of American, and a member of the National Association of Cost Accountants of Williamsport.

He also is one of the directors of the newly organized Centre County Vacation Land Organization. Mr. Johnston is married and he and his wife reside at 332 S. Second Street, Phillipsburg. They have two children, Marilyn, employed by the

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History Class To Go On Location

Penn State Group Will Go By Air

Travelling in a modern airplane, students this summer will tour Latin America to study Indian cultures and the colorful history of countries "south of the border."

The tours, arranged in cooperation with Study Abroad of New York, N. Y., will be conducted by Dr. William H. Gray, professor of Latin-American history at Penn State, who has travelled extensively and conducted research throughout Central and South America.

Dr. Gray said that 50 persons will be enrolled for the month-long course, known as Colonial and Social History of Latin America. The class begins July 7.

Mexico City, Teotihuacan with its giant Aztec pyramids to the sun and the moon, the earthquake ruins at Antigua and Guatemala, with its famed Indian fair, are on the itinerary of the "flying classroom."

Dr. Gray also explained that the students would join in the observance of the 400th anniversary of the University of Lima, and said the tour would enable them to see voodoo dances and Emperor Christopher's citadel in Haiti.

Pvt. William Auman Sent To Georgia

Pvt. William E. Auman, 371 Reynolds Avenue, Bellefonte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert B. Auman Jr., also of Bellefonte, has been assigned to the 288th Signal Radio Relay Company, Camp Gordon, Ga., for basic training after completion of processing at the 2053d Reception Center at Fort Meade, Md.

He will receive six weeks training in basic military subjects necessary for all soldiers, including qualification firing with the carbine or M-1 rifle.

The remainder of his basic training will be in advanced individual subjects and the basic fundamentals of his arm or service.

Reserve Officers To Hear Geography Prof. Dr. E. Willard Miller, professor and chief of the division of geography at Penn State, will address the Centre county chapter, Reserve Officers Association, at the Allencrest Tea Room in State College at 6 p. m. Thursday.

Dr. Miller, who will be introduced by Lt. Col. A. W. Auman, president of the chapter, will speak on "Environmental Protection in Alaska." He will illustrate his talk with slides of pictures taken during his recent visits to Alaska.

Johnstown Station Received Clearly

Renovo may have television very soon.

Tests made Sunday afternoon brought in a clear signal—even under adverse weather conditions.

The group from the Greater Renovo Television Corp., working with an engineering firm from Pottsville, were making tests on a nearby mountaintop Sunday about 3:30 p. m. The elevation was about 2,000 feet. The 50-foot antenna was raised and the set turned on. Suddenly there was the sound of a woman singing and her picture appeared on the screen.

There were excited exclamations from the small group. Despite flashes of lightning and the sound of thunder in the distance, the picture of the young singer was perfectly clear. There was no "snow"—no sign of wavering.

The channel remained tuned-in until it was identified as Johnstown. Then further tests were made—all satisfactory.

Additional experiments will be made in order to bring the permanent antenna as close to Renovo as possible—where it will be brought into homes by coaxial cable. A spokesman for the local company refused to reveal where the successful test was made.

In Lock Haven, the Susquehanna Television Co. which attempted to obtain exclusive right to Renovo also, had no report to make on whether their tests had been satisfactory.

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Gas Operations Hit Ferney Area

Contract Given For Drilling There

A contract has been executed to begin drilling operations on the Ferney anticline which extends from Waterville, Lycoming County, to Ferney, 10 miles north of Lock Haven.

Announcement of negotiating the contract with Clyde Williams, Couderport contractor, was made by Dr. Forney Winner, of Winner Murphy Oil & Gas Land Development.

Mr. Williams will begin moving the rig into the location on the Johnny Springer farm at Springers Corners in Gallagher township, Clinton County, in the near future, it was stated.

The rig, it was explained, has a capacity of drilling to a depth of 10,000 feet for gas and oil.

It was explained by officials of the Winner & Murphy firm that they expect to hit the oriskany, the gas bearing sand, at 8,000 to 9,000 feet. There is no cost plus in the contract, it was revealed, but a straight guarantee to proceed to the oriskany.

Mr. Williams was low bidder of four Pennsylvania drillers. He drills the deepest well in the Wharton field in Potter County in 1950. Recently he brought in the "Shoppers' Well" for the Renovo Gas & Oil Development Co. at Cross Forks.

A large bonus was offered to Mr. Williams to be the first to reach the oriskany on the Ferney anticline. The Ferney anticline is 14 miles in length and rises from 600 feet on the Susquehanna to 2,000 feet on the Mohawk, and 1,743 feet at Springers, descending to 600 feet at Pine Creek.

This week contracting for the Mohawk's 780 acres will be negotiated. Many people from Lock Haven and Williamsport areas invested in the development.

Others cited were Robert Hugh Hamill, Bellefonte, senior in bacteriology, 252; Ward Milford Stover, Millheim, senior, agricultural education, 252; Winslow Channing Nicholas, junior, agricultural and biological chemistry, 28; Gordon Victor Rowland, senior, horticulture, 278, both of State College.

Five County Citizens, students at Penn State, were among the 102 in the School of Agriculture cited for outstanding scholarship during the fall semester.

Dr. Lyman E. Jackson, dean of the school, stated that Evelyn Grace Black, 147 E. Park Avenue, State College, a junior in medical technology, was one of the eight students to complete the semester with a perfect 3.0 average.

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Children and May Belong Together



The Centre Reporter Forms Part of Centre Hall Story

The Centre Reporter as well as other businesses is treated in this week's portion of the History of Centre Hall as prepared by the Centre Hall-Potter high school's problems of Democracy class. The history reports:

The Centre Reporter Ludwig Kurtz established a printing press in Aaronsburg in 1827, where he began the publication of a newspaper called "Der Bericht" meaning "The Reporter". This was published in German until the use of the English language became more common in this area, when the custom of printing a page in German as well as a page in English was begun.

In 1868, his son, Frederick K. Kurtz, moved the printing establishment to Centre Hall, and began publication there on the second floor of the Centre Hall Hotel Building. Later it was moved to the south side of the present Sarah McClenahan property. In the summer of 1900, Sylvester W. Smith purchased the newspaper from Mr. Kurtz. Later Mr. Smith moved the office across the street to the present George Rimmey property, and in 1913 it was moved to the location from which it ceased publication, next door to the Post Office in the Bank building.

In 1914, Edward Bailey became a partner in the business. This partnership continued until Mr. Smith's death in 1940. About a month thereafter, the business was sold to the Centre Daily Times at State College.

The Centre Reporter served the area for 113 years, 72 of these from Centre Hall. It was always a weekly paper and news of local as well as state and national interest was included.

Other businesses, Past and Present, Some of the businesses of the 1800's which no longer exist are as follows:

Stores: H. Dasher, Brooms and Seeds; John C. Kemp, Wollen Goods; Peter Fred, Tailor Shop; Jacob Dinges, Saddles and Bridles; (Continued on Page Six)

Pro Oleo Forces Lose Round 1

Pa. Senate Rejects 4 Margarine Bills

Rejection of four yellow oleomargarine bills by the state Senate's Agriculture committee marked an initial victory in a militant campaign by farm groups in Pennsylvania.

The Senate unit killed the measure a day before a resolution reaffirming opposition to the sale of yellow-colored oleo was announced by leaders of organizations claiming to represent 90 per cent of producers of agricultural products in the state.

Executive committees of the Pennsylvania Association of Farmer Cooperatives, the State Council of Farm Organizations, and the Pennsylvania State Grange took the stand.

Opposition, according to the resolution, was based on the tremendous difficulty in enforcing the pure food law and need and necessity for protecting the public from adulterated products.

Spokesmen for farmers, particularly dairymen, long have maintained that permission to sell yellow oleo would lead to abuses in representation of the vegetable product as butter.

Oleo proponents emphasize the advantages of the low cost food, and add that proposed legislation stipulates that the vegetable product as butter.

Damage amounting to more than \$200 resulted when a road maintenance trailer for heating tar caught on fire, damaging a borough truck and one part of the borough shed on N. Sparks Street in State College Friday morning.

Boiling tar overflowed from the trailer, igniting the trailer tires, two of the rear tires on the truck, and one end of the building. Alpha firemen caught the flames before they spread across the roof of the building. A borough employe, Theodore Eminhizer, received slight burns on the hands.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is making a thorough check on every person who works in the Office of Defense Mobilization, at the request of Director Charles E. Wilson.

TV Aerials Attract Lightning Blast, 3 Altoona Homes Struck

Cold Bolts Cause Much Damage

Lightning struck TV antennas on two houses in Altoona Sunday night, causing cold bolts to tear through three homes with considerable damage, firemen reported.

In the Soyester home, the wires were blown loose from the TV set but it was not known what damage was done to the set.

In the T. G. Fyfe home, lightning did considerable damage in the attic and broke the glass and frame of one window in that area. In each house there were holes in the roof in excess of 16 inches in diameter.

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In the David Brightbill apartment firemen found the wires torn loose from the TV set. The bolt followed the course of the wire in the home owned by Elizabeth Shaffer, tore out a wall electrical receptacle, damaged a lamp and tore a hole in the plaster. Damage to the home was estimated at \$50 and none was made on the TV set, it being impossible to ascertain the extent of the damage.

Firemen reported that there was a lightning arrester on the Soyester home in connection with the TV antenna installation but were not certain if there was one on the homes of the other.

Beech Creek Soldier Killed

Cpl. Raymond Heaton Enlisted at Age 17

Cpl. Raymond Heaton, of Beech Creek RD 1, who joined the Army on his 17th birthday, Dec. 30, 1948, was killed in action in Korea on March 30, 1951, his family has learned.

The 19-year-old infantryman was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Heaton, of Beech Creek RD 1.

Heaton went overseas to Japan at the completion of basic training and was among the early United States troops committed to action at the start of the war in Korea. He served with Co. G of the 27th Infantry Regiment.

One brother, Sgt. Frank, is serving in the Army at a post in Michigan. Other survivors are three sisters and another brother, Mrs. Ella Peeler, of Blanchard; Mrs. Elizabeth Merrifield, of Avis; Ruth and Richard Heaton, at home.

Major Arthur Askey Completes Course

Maj. Arthur W. Askey, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Askey of Pleasant Gap, has graduated from the Communications-Electronics Staff Officer course at Maxwell AFB, Alabama, it was announced by Col. Leslie G. Muzler, Maxwell commandant.

Major Askey served in Europe during World War II and last served at Langley AFB, Va.

KNOW YOUR HEIRLOOMS

By TOM ORMSBEE

Made Especially for The Pennsylvania Dutch

The colorful tableware of Staffordshire not only had universal appeal but its makers were expert marketers of it. After more than half a century of constant experimenting, they had an earthenware fine enough in texture, shaping and

decorative detail to compete successfully with porcelain and yet inexpensive enough for the slummiest purse. If their goal was world-wide distribution, they came close to achieving it. Between 1775 and 1825, they captured the American market; made a good dent in the trade of the Baltic cities and put their wares in some of the chief South American cities.

Like the American printmakers of a later date, Currier & Ives, they had a good sense of what would please the public. A prime example of this is to be found in the Gaudy Dutch dishes which they made for that self-sufficient racial group which had emigrated from the Counties Palatine during the last of the 17th Century and settled in the counties west of Philadelphia. Their religious tenets forbade personal adornment so their strong love of color found escape in vivid decoration of household furnishings.

Most of these were produced by members of the group since they had little to do with outsiders. As for the blue and white Staffordshire dishes that so pleased the rest of the country, they wanted nothing so dear. So on the same fine earthenware, the potters executed a robust design with freehand decoration in cobalt blue, apple green, rust, red and lemon yellow. The blue was an underglaze color, the others overglaze.

The descendants of these Pennsylvanians and during the twenty-five or thirty years of its making, large quantities of the gaudy ware were shipped to the five counties, Berks, Dauphin, Lancaster, Lehigh and Montgomery. The design was not original with

PMTA Speaker Addresses Gap Rotary Club

Truck transportation's tremendous expansion in the past ten years will help alleviate some of the strain that defense mobilization is placing on our mass distribution system, but correction of unreasonably restrictive motor truck laws in Pennsylvania and elsewhere is essential if a serious transportation crisis is to be averted, members of the Pleasant Gap Rotary Club were told at their luncheon meeting on Friday.

Thomas F. Robertson, Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association's community relations director, in speaking before the Rotary Club members said, "Here in Pennsylvania the situation can be greatly eased without increasing the size or maximum gross weight of trucks, simply by recognizing the modern

Leidy Prospecting's seventh dividend will have brought shareholders a \$50 return for every \$100 they gambled on Dorcie Calhoun's hunch. The first well he was instrumental in bringing in was that of Jan. 8, 1950.

The company soon will drill its fourth well on the Calhoun farm. The rigging is under construction now. The new wells will be situated in the Tamarack area near the region that the "shopmen's well" was drilled in. Another well go down near the Campbell estate land in Leidy and the seventh on Grabner land in the Summerson Mountain area.

Leidy To Pay 7th Dividend; Amount \$100

Residents of Oil City like to play bingo and they are letting the city officials know it with a flood of letters.

Mavor William A. Morch said he and Chief of Police Ira L. Spolton have received over 200 pieces of mail since some Pennsylvania communities cracked down on gambling and included bingo as a gambling device.

City officials though have given assurance that bingo will not be halted in Oil City. They ruled:

Oil City Rules Bingo Game OK

Called Recreational Pastime By Officials

City officials though have given assurance that bingo will not be halted in Oil City. They ruled:

"Bingo is not a form of gambling but a recreational pastime when operated non-commercially in churches, lodges and clubs."

Mrs. James A. Beaver Likeness Presented

The museum of the Centre County Library has added a likeness of Mrs. James Addams Beaver to its panel of portraits of governors' wives. The latest acquisition is a photograph of a painted portrait and was received from the subject's son, Thomas A. Beaver, of Bellefonte.

Others in the panel are Mrs. Andrew Gregg Curtin and Mrs. Daniel Hastings.

Three Gaudy Dutch Dinner Plates

Made in Staffordshire by Riley and his competitors, the Oriental origin of the design is apparent. According to present day names the pattern are, top row, carnation, lower left, sunflower, and lower right, "no name."

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