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AMERICA'S war with the Axis Powers may completely alter the political picture in 1942 in Pennsylvania when a Governor is to be elected. It may deter five prominently mentioned candidates, three Democrats and two Republicans from seeking nominations. They are U. S. Senator James J. Davis, and Major General James J. Martin, Republicans, U. S. Senator Joseph F. Guffey, Anthony J. Drekel Biddle, Jr., American Ambassador to exiled governments, who is stationed in London, and William C. Bullitt, President Roosevelt's personal representative in the Near East, all Democrats.

ALL FIVE have been in the forefront as prospective candidates, but in view of the present emergency it is believed they will prefer to remain in their respective posts, where they are now vitally needed because of the war. An inventory of what timber is left at the present time for Governor would seem to be: Republicans—Samuel S. Lewis, Lieutenant Governor, and William S. Livingston, Secretary of Internal Affairs, as well as former State Secretary of Commerce, Richard Brown. Other outstanding Democrats mentioned are F. Clair Ross, State Auditor General, and Luther M. Harr, Philadelphia City Treasurer.

INDICATIONS are that a special session of the Pennsylvania State Legislature will be convened at Harrisburg on Monday, January 5th, to dispose of a lot of urgent matters brought forth by the war, and to provide Congressional Reapportionment for the state. All indications, too, are that the session will be a business-like affair, and will attend promptly to the business that comes before it. The necessity for a stop to party bickering will likely be recognized by the leaders of both political parties due to the nation's unanimity in the war issue.

THE WAR will very likely be a long one; all plans are being made on that basis. The first year may almost entirely be a defensive war, due to the late start on Army, two ocean Navy and offensive weapons. Concentration of the guesses is from three to five years. The biggest official worry at the present is Russia's attitude toward Japan.

THE FULL Pearl Harbor story may not come out for months for strategic reasons. Greater administration frankness on British pattern, is expected hereafter. One possibility is that our ships were sunk purposely after bomb hits, to prevent burning so they can now be raised and repaired.

REGISTRATION of men 18 to 24 years will be done slowly; men will be classified as they register. One reason: To secure data for future labor drafts, civilian defects, all at once. All eligible 21 to 35 year old men can count on military service next year.

OPM officials won't admit it, but it may be a long time before manufacture of tires for passenger autos starts again. There's another reason besides shortage of rubber: Army's needs will occupy entire present capacity of tire manufacturing plants for some time. Don't be surprised to hear of a 25-million dollar rubber

plantation program for California, Texas and New Mexico. But this is a long-haul remedy—some plants ready in one year, others in four.

You won't be able to buy wool clothing, blankets, etc. Army and Navy probably will require the entire supply of wool for a time. (Uniforms and blankets for a million or more additional men at once.) Copper goods, chromium goods, tungsten, iridium jewelry, sheepskin products, too. You will have trouble buying cotton goods and his goods, leather goods, paper products, hemp, coconut oil, lead, tin, yarn, glycerine. Soap may join the list.

GAS and fuel oil rationing is possible next year. Night air mail service may be curtailed on account of blackouts. Censorship has started and more is coming. Navy is censoring outgoing cables, commercial wireless and telephone service sent abroad. Army is about to censor outgoing mail and newspapers. No provision yet for the censoring of radio broadcasts sent abroad, but it's coming. Congress is to re-enact the Trading-with-enemy Act this week, giving full powers. Officially, censorship of domestic news will be less rigid than in 1917-18. Machinery will be announced soon. Price control bills will be tightened up, hurried. Won't pass in time to prevent dangerous price rises.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT conferences this week may decide to solve labor relations problems through regional agreements. One or two regional agreements were made last week. The Smith Labor Bill, passed in the House, will lie on the Senate shelf. Labor generally will support the war needs to the best of its physical ability, but must not be exploited.

SMALL BUSINESS problems are still unsolved. Small machine shops may be merged for greater speed and flexibility; local pool plan may be extended. No solution yet for those who can't convert to war work. Shortage of workers growing by leaps and bounds. With army and navy constantly absorbing more and more of the workers, many problems yet confront the defense production part of the program.

THE NATION is in an all-out war. Gradually all of us are beginning to realize it. The infamous attack of the Axis-inspired Japanese upon our country, in one single blow, brought spontaneous unanimity to the United States citizens. Perhaps we have suffered a major defeat in the Pacific, but what we have lost there, Hitler and his cohorts have more than been the long-run losers in the creation of solidarity of thought throughout the Western Hemisphere—a solidarity that will eventually dispose of the Axis Powers.

STATE COLLEGE TO OFFER SPECIAL COURSE

A course in ultra-high frequency techniques, particularly valuable in detecting airplanes in flight will be given at Pennsylvania State College the second semester to prepare students to apply for commissions in the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army and Navy. It was announced recently. The basic course will enable the students to take further work in ultra short waves. Prof. Chas. L. Kinzie, head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, pointed out, American front line instruction in the operation of radio beam detectors, which Britain and the United States are developing in quantity, he said. Open only to seniors who have majored in electrical engineering or physics and who have had certain prescribed work in electronics and communications, the course will be offered six hours a week in each of forty colleges and universities. In view of the urgent need for these specialists it is hoped that at least 500 students throughout the country will have completed the work at the end of the academic year.

This course will be the latest addition to the engineering, science and management defense training program of the college, which, as an extension project has already trained nearly 18,000 men throughout the state.

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COLVER NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Grazer and son Junior of Barnesboro and Mrs. Peggy Grazer and Miss June Raymond of Windber Hospital, visited at the home of Mrs. Henry Grazer of this place on Sunday.

Mr. Russell Edwards of Colver left Monday to begin his training as a member of the U. S. Navy.

Mr. George Ball left Monday to assume his duties as a member of the U. S. Marine Corps.

Miss Mary DeHaven of Barnesboro spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Shively of Colver.

Mr. William Maxwell is recovering from injuries he received Saturday night in an automobile wreck near Carrolltown. He is a patient in the Colver Hospital.

'SWAMP WATER' DUE SUNDAY AND MONDAY

'Swamp Water,' the unusual story of the foreboding and mysterious swamp that shapes the lives and the loves and hates of the people about it, will come to the Grand Theatre screen in Patton on Sunday and Monday. Walter Brennan as Tom Keefe, Walter Huston as Thursday Regan, Anne Baxter as Julie and Dana Andrews as Ben have the leading roles. 'Swamp Water' is from the pen of Vereen Bell, and is one of the most unusual serials ever published by the Saturday Evening Post. It is a story of the people who live in the strange country near the awesome Okfenokee Swamp of Georgia, a story of the hunt, and a film you don't want to miss!

Barnesboro Newlyweds Hurt In Accident Saturday Night

A newly-married couple was injured Saturday midnight when the car in which they were riding collided with another on Route 219 between Carrolltown and Ebensburg. The couple, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wysockie, were returning to Barnesboro from Winchester, Va., where they were married earlier Saturday. Mrs. Wysockie suffered lacerations of forehead and contusions of both knees, and her husband sustained deep lacerations of the scalp and brush burns of the right knee. Two passengers in the other car, operated by C. Walters, Barnesboro, suffered minor lacerations and bruises about the face and head.

State Will Keep Highways Open During Winter Months

Winter visitors to Pennsylvania and Pennsylvanians as well need have no fear of road conditions, says the State Department of Commerce.

Snow removal is guaranteed on 20,000 miles of highway this winter, the State Highway Department reports. This mileage is the largest in the history of the Department and is an increase of approximately 700 miles of snow removal over last year. Much of the mileage from which snow is to be removed covers highways serving industries engaged in defense work or adjacent to military camps or reservations. Some of the increase, too, will be on highways leading to the winter sports areas.

Nearly \$3,000,000 will be allocated for snow removal work and the Department also says that additional funds will be made available for the removal of snow if the winter is more than normally severe.

General Pershing Offers Services in the Crisis

General John J. Pershing, American hero of World War I, advised President Roosevelt last Wednesday night that he is ready to serve his country again—"to the last ounce x x x of my strength."

His determination undiminished by his 81 years, the commander of the 1917 A. E. F. offered to serve in any way which "will be of help in the fight."

In a letter to his commander-in-chief, Pershing expressed "supreme confidence" in the outcome of the war and in Mr. Roosevelt's "calm and determined leadership."

DRAFT CALL ORDERS

Selective service headquarters say that, at the direction of War Department, draft quotas and induction calls henceforth would be considered confidential military information and hence unpubliahable. War Department officials add that ban extends also to size of armed forces unless announced officially.

Cambria County Physicians Will Serve in Emergencies

Physicians of Cambria County are ready to serve in any emergency requiring their professional skill.

Members of Cambria County Medical Society went on record to this effect at their monthly meeting last week. Following a discussion of the society's preparedness committee, the doctors decided that their services would be offered to the Pennsylvania State Council of Defense through the preparedness committee for any emergency arising in the county.

STATE COMMUNITIES DON XMAS TRIMMINGS

With predictions for soaring Xmas business this year, Pennsylvania communities are decorated with religious scenes and gaily colored lights encouraging shoppers and visitors to enjoy the season.

The State Department of Commerce has received reports from numerous towns and cities of special programs and plans for decorating, including lights and greens.

In Middletown U. S. Route 326 southwest of Harrisburg, 18 more trees have been added to the decorations this year to include the section business section.

Nazareth, always one of the State's most attractively decorated cities in Holiday time, has this year expanded its decorations to include two indirectly lighted oil paintings. Other cities decorated are Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Erie, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Altoona, Johnstown, and many others.

Smaller communities also have varied Christmas decorations. The Patton Chamber of Commerce is offering prizes for the best home decorations between Christmas and New Years. Patton's streets are also lighted with many-colored lights, and the Christmas tree on the Palmer House Corner is again trimmed.

RECENT DEATHS IN NORTH OF COUNTY

JAMES H. CONNELL, 73, a retired railroad ticket agent, died Saturday at his home in Cresson. Funeral services were held at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning in St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Cresson, with burial in the church cemetery. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Martha Connell, and these children: Martha Connell, Mrs. G. M. Lang and Mrs. R. A. Baird, all of Cresson; Attorney James H. Connell Jr., Cresson; Joseph A. Connell, Altoona; Milton M. Connell, Philadelphia; Glenn Connell, Pittsburgh; and Fred Connell, Greensburg. He was a brother of Julia and Agnes Connell, and Mrs. Margaret Dorlet, all of Ebensburg; Mary Connell, West Chester; Ruth Connell, Philadelphia; M. Donald Connell, Carrolltown; and Wilbert Connell, Los Angeles, Cal.

CHARLES F. BAUMAN, Carrolltown native, died unexpectedly at his home in Altoona on Sunday afternoon. He was born in Carrolltown on February 24, a son of George and Mary Bauman. His father preceded him in death. Surviving are his mother, now residing in Carrolltown; his widow, Mrs. Kathleen (Delozier) Bauman; a sister, Mrs. Florence Lilly, Patton; two brothers, Leo and Paul Bauman, both of Carrolltown, and the following children: Rosemary, John Gerard, Elizabeth, Claude, Thomas, Joan and Richard Bauman. Mr. Bauman was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and the Holy Name Society.

WILLIAM W. GLASS, 56, Ebensburg, a tipstaff in the Cambria County Court for the last four years, died on Monday morning in Mercy Hospital, Altoona, following an illness of several years. Mr. Glass was a lifelong resident of Cambria County. Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Laura J. Glass of Ebensburg; his widow, Mrs. Catherine (Quartz) Glass, and the following children: Mrs. Catherine Burgoon, Cresson; Mrs. Florence Shambaugh, Baton Rouge, La.; Wm. J. Glass Jr., Ebensburg; Corp. Robert J. Glass, U. S. Army, Louisville, Ky.; and Donald, James and Jack Glass, all at home. He also leaves a brother, Leonard G. Glass, Johnstown, and three grandchildren.

GREETINGS

Christmas greetings have been received in the State Department of Commerce from an Australian woman who had planned to visit Pennsylvania this year but was unable to come because of an accident. "Hope (every) one will have a mild winter and is real Christmas gladness from far off Australia," writes Miss Augustus King, whose home is in Brisbane, South Wales.

WHY THEY FLOAT The reason a bad egg floats on the water is that gases have formed inside because of decomposition. These make it lighter than a good egg containing white and yolk only.

HUMAN ICE The human body contains ice caused by enormous pressure in the muscle tissue. This ice exists at ordinary temperatures of more than 100,000 pounds a square inch.

—Use this newspaper to help you with your Xmas shopping!



Merchants, Professional and Business Men . . . ANNUALLY the issue of the Press-Courier just before the Christmas Holiday carries numerous greeting advertisements of merchants. We will publish next Tuesday morning, and we'd like to have your greeting included in the many that will appear. We have a fine selection of greeting cuts, as well as prose and verse, to suit your needs. Tell your customers you appreciate them. Felicitate them with the Season's Compliments. Have your copy in our office by Monday. Certainly You'll Want A Greeting Ad in the Press-Courier Tuesday

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