

PATTON NEWS BRIEFS

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Mrs. Edgar West and daughter, Vivian Lee, Mrs. Louis Baker and son, Lewis, Jr., and Miss Martha Baker, all of Washington, D. C., are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker of Patton.

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ler, the officer is a graduate of the Spangler high school. Prior to entering service in 1939 he was employed for some time by the U. S. Forestry Service and later by the General Electric Company. He is the father of an infant son.

Another class of aerial triggermen to guard Army Air Force bombers was graduated recently from the Harrington, Texas, aerial gunnery school and among the qualified sharpshooters of the sky was Pvt. Patrick H. Gill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Gill of this place.

Officers for the 1943-44 term were elected by Walter McCoy Post, No. 614, American Legion, of Patton, at its annual reorganization meeting of last week. Peter Boback was named commander, succeeding Peter Schimp.

Other officers are Metro Bobby, Jr., senior vice commander; Ben O. Short, junior vice commander; J. J. Sheehan, adjutant; John Single, chaplain; Forest Gobert, finance officer; Charles Swab, service officer; and Delmont Pardee, sergeant-at-arms.

Boback, Bobby and Pardee are veterans of World War II, all three having received honorable discharges recently.

The officers of the Patton, Carrolltown and Spangler posts will be installed at a joint exercise to be held in the near future.

Officers of the Clearfield Branch of the Cambria County Red Cross Chapter appointed Miss Betty Weakland of Hastings as chairman of volunteer services at a meeting at Hastings recently.

Miss Weakland succeeds Mrs. Nell Knarr, who no longer is a resident of this district. Speakers were Miss Catherine Benford, Johnstown, who emphasized the value of home nursing cases, and George Clark, vice chairman, who urged support of the United War Chest appeal.

Lt. Howard M. Linn has been promoted to the rank of Captain. He has just completed a two months' course at Investigators' school at Fort Custer, Mich., and is now stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., where he is commanding officer of the Military Police Detachment.

Don't forget the "First Night" showing of "This Is the Army" to be at the Grand Theatre, Patton, on November 8th. Aside from actual expenses all proceeds go to the Army Relief Fund. Buy a ticket.

Trinity Methodist Church. Sunday, Oct. 24, 9:45 A. M.—"The Church at Study." Theme for study, "Honoring Our Parents."

10:30 A. M., "The Church at Worship." This is annual missionary Sunday—"For Those Who Benefit?" 6:30 P. M. Youth Fellowship. 7:30 P. M. Evening Worship.

Tuesday, October 26—Hallow'een Party—Youth Fellowship, 7:30 P. M. Wednesday, October 27 Junior League, 3:30 P. M. Mid-week service at 7:30 P. M.

Thursday, October 28. District Conference in First Methodist Church, Altoona. This will be an all day session.

Friday, October 29—2:00 P. M. Mrs. A. B. Camphor, wife of the late Bishop Camphor, colored Bishop of the Methodist Church in Africa, will be the guest of the Women's Societies of Christian Service of the Barnesboro Group of Methodist Churches.

An interesting program is being planned. All are welcome. The service will be held in Trinity Methodist Church in Patton.

Dietrick-Becker Wedding. Miss Hilda Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Becker of St. Boniface, became the bride of Pfc. Raymond Dietrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Dietrick of Patton, at a double ring ceremony at 9 o'clock Saturday morning, October 16th, in St. Boniface Catholic Church.

The Rev. George Brugger, pastor, sang the nuptial mass which followed. Miss Christine Dietrick, cousin of the groom, was organist. The attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dietrick, of Cleveland, Ohio, brother and sister-in-law of the groom.

The bride wore a white satin gown with train and a veil with train which was caught with a tiara of pearl flowers. She carried a prayerbook and pink rose buds with streamers. The bridesmaid wore a gown of pink chiffon and a tiara of flowers with a shoulder length veil, and carried a bouquet of peach and white chrysanthemums.

Both mothers wore a corsage of pink rosebuds. A wedding dinner was served to the immediate relatives at the home of the bride's parents. A reception was held in the Community Hall on Tuesday evening. The newlyweds returned to Virginia on Wednesday where Pfc. Dietrick is stationed with the Army at Fort Monro.

Interned Yanks Still a Problem

State Department Estimates Americans in Grip of Axis at 12,000.

WASHINGTON.—Still behind German and Japanese lines in occupied Europe and Asia are thousands of American citizens. The state department estimates the number in the grip of the Axis at 12,000.

Merchants, teachers, missionaries, all walks of American life are represented. Aging expatriates have died behind internment camp barriers and children have been born in the same camps.

Aristocrats and beachcombers rub elbows in more than one internecine community. World War II has outdone any former conflict in this respect. The swift encirclements and occupations of this war have caught far greater numbers in enemy hands.

The possibility of espionage and subversive activity through short-wave radio has been a new factor bringing far more stringent measures against captive populations than ever before.

The treatment of these civilians is covered by no formal international agreement such as the Geneva Convention, which regulates the care of military prisoners.

However, after Pearl Harbor all belligerent governments declared their intention to apply the principles of the Geneva Convention to civilian prisoners. Among these was Japan, which had not signed the agreement but had declared her intention to abide by its provisions.

This country has interned as probably dangerous aliens some 3,400 Japanese, 2,300 Germans and 350 Italians. In addition, 108,000 persons of Japanese ancestry have been placed in relocation centers.

Possibly two-thirds of these "relocated" Japanese are American-born and are, therefore, American citizens. Before any estimate can be made of Americans caught abroad in enemy territory, the first question is: "What is an American?"

Let Passports Lapse. Many Americans abroad had let their passports lapse. Others had lived abroad most of their lives and never had claimed fully their American citizenship.

Many had alien families. A few cannot speak English—for example, an American-born Pole who returned to Poland as a child with his parents.

All these received an opportunity to return to the United States on officially chartered evacuation ships in 1940. In the Philippines there probably are 4,000 bona fide Americans.

The state department is proceeding on a basis approximating the number of up-to-date passports and other documentary evidence of citizenship as of the beginning of the war.

Boiling it down to this qualification gives a figure of something fewer than 4,000 in Europe. Relatively few of these are listed as interned.

State department officials estimate that the total of those who may have some claim to citizenship, but which they have not registered or kept up-to-date, may reach nine or ten times this figure.

Through the Swiss government American funds have been made available to these Americans for their livelihood where their own resources are exhausted—with the exception of Manila, where the Swiss officials have not yet been able to relieve the situation, state department men say.

Yanks Standing Up Well Under Tropical Hazards

BEND, ORE.—American fighting men are standing up well under hazards of fighting amidst tropical diseases at South Pacific bases, Col. Frank G. Crandall Jr., post surgeon at Camp Abbot near here, announced.

Crandall, recently invalidated home after serving 8½ months in the South Pacific theater, said U. S. army medical corps is ridding the islands of mosquitoes as a first step in reducing spread of disease.

The corps is much better situated now to care for sick and wounded men than at the beginning of the campaign, he said.

What, No Ham on Side? Carelessness Somewhere

CLARKSBURG, W. VA. — John Rocca's hens are taking their "food for victory" instructions to heart. One of his New Hampshire Red Hens, weighing about nine pounds, laid an egg which looked as if it might take first prize in a contest for size.

Rocca showed it to the neighbors and then decided to fry it for supper. Rocca cracked it open and found another egg with a complete shell inside.

Army Engineers Save Timber Near Rifle Range

BEND, ORE.—Marksmanship is one thing, conservation of lumber another. So the self-styled Paul Bunyan Woodchoppers of Camp Abbot, engineer replacement training center near here, held their first meeting near the rifle range.

From Lieut. Col. C. G. Kustner down to the last private the tyro loggers felled valuable timber to prevent its being riddled with bullets.

WHAT A SURPRISE SHE'S GOING TO GET!  
I'M GIVING MY WIFE  
A DIAMOND  
FOR CHRISTMAS!



CHOOSE NOW AND SAVE!  
USE OUR LAY AWAY PLAN

Advertisement for diamonds and jewelry. Includes images of various diamond rings and watches with prices like \$29.75, \$37.50, \$52.50, \$67.50, and \$137.50.

Advertisement for a beautiful bridal ensemble, featuring a matching 14K gold ring and watch set for \$37.50.

Advertisement for a watch, encouraging customers to buy from the stock of advertised makes using the Lay-Away Plan.

Advertisement for Louis Luxenberg, established in 1903, located at Phone 184 in Barnesboro, Pa. Includes text about buying War Bonds and tickets for "This Is the Army" appearances.

Advertisement for Joe's Cut-Rate Store in Barnesboro, promoting winter clothes for men and boys at last year's prices.

Advertisement for Roy B. Griffith, County Treasurer, highlighting his 30 years of experience and current appointment.

Advertisement for First National Bank, Carrolltown, promoting protection of war bonds from fire and loss through their safekeeping department.