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ELSEWHERE IN THIS ISSUE OF

The Union Press-Courier will be found the annual auditors' report of Patton Borough, the Patton Recreation Center and of the Patton Borough Water Works for the year of 1944. This report is published for the information of the Patton taxpayers.

PENNSYLVANIANS ABSENT IN the armed services may be less interested in the election next November than in that of last November, but that will not be considered a sufficient reason for reducing their opportunities to participate. Ballots for the election last November were mailed to everybody believed to be entitled to vote, from lists made up in advance. It helped military voting by not putting on the absentees the burden of applying for ballots.

THE NORMAL ELECTION TIME-table in even-numbered years is adapted to such procedure, because the primary comes in April or May and there is ample time to find out who is nominated, prepare the ballots and mail them. But the time between the September primary and the November election in odd-numbered years is entirely too short.

IN ITS SEARCH FOR A PRIMARY day this year that would allow more time to turn around, the legislature has hit upon June 19th. It may be a bit early to be turning on the heat under the local political pots, but the Legislature hadn't much leeway. Nobody wants a primary during July or August. Even with the date set for June 19th, the timetable will permit nomination petitions to begin to circulate on March 10th—and that is Saturday of this week.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN HIS address to Congress and the Nation last Thursday clarified some of the results of the Crimea conference. He was particularly frank in his statement regarding some of the agreements reached by himself, Mr. Churchill and Mr. Stalin. Many Americans have harbored the belief that because of our contribution to the cause of the United Nations, we should have things our own way. But as Mr. Roosevelt stated: "The United States will not always have its way 100 per cent. Nor will Russia or Great Britain."

FAIRMINDED AMERICANS WILL agree that from a practical viewpoint, at least, we cannot expect more. However, if there are compromises made among the Big Three, we should at least come out on top as many times as will Great Britain and Russia. This policy of compromise was present at the conference. Particularly was this true in the decision relating to the boundaries of Poland. In discussing this involved problem, the President said: "I am convinced that the agreement on Poland under the circumstances is the most hopeful agreement possible for a free, independent and prosperous Polish State."

DISCUSSING FUTURE PEACE, Mr. Roosevelt emphasized a point which has been similarly dealt with by Republicans and Democrats alike. The comparatively few isolationists may well ponder these words of the President: "We shall have to take the responsibility for world collaboration or we shall have to bear the responsibility for another world conflict."

IT IS SWELL THAT MR. ROOSE-vell does not intend to follow the misguided action of Woodrow Wilson, who refused to recognize Republican leaders in making the peace. The President shows clearly that he intends to recognize the Republicans in drafting a peace plan when he said: "World peace is not a party question any more than is military victory. The structure of world peace cannot

be the work of one man or one party or one nation."

THE UNITED NATIONS STAND pat on the demand that Germany must submit to an unconditional surrender. This action, the President stated, "means the complete disarmament of Germany, the destruction of its militarism and military equipment, the end of its production of armament." Certainly no one outside the enemy countries will protest this policy. The Allies must take positive action so that Germany will never again be able to disturb the peace of the world.

THE PRESIDENT RIGHTFULLY warned that "the defeat of Germany will not mean the end of the war against Japan. On the contrary, America must be prepared for a long and costly struggle in the Pacific." All of us may well pay attention to the statement. While the war against Japan is progressing satisfactorily, there will be an ever increasing need for production of war materiel.

THE SPEED WITH WHICH ALLIED armies on the western front are approaching the Rhine has led many commentators to assume that the Nazi forces are on the verge of collapse and no longer have any intention of seriously opposing the onrush of their foes. Such an assumption wrongfully takes from the Allied forces—American, Canadian and British—some of the credit that is justly due them. Our armies on the Western front have been developed into a magnificent fighting machine. They have won their present advanced positions against an enemy that has thrown everything it had at them. Casualties have been heavy, evidence enough surely, that the Germans are no push-over and that our boys have not been enjoying a holiday.

TRUE, THE GERMANS ARE GROW-ing progressively weaker, but that is because they have met foemen worthy of their steel and because our offensive strategy has overcome the handicap of flooded terrain and bitter weather. But to continually harp upon the weakness of the enemy is to minimize the stubborn courage and gallantry of our own troops in overcoming handicaps that would have stalled less courageous and resourceful fighting men.

ILLNESS AMONG THE WORKERS INCREASES

Washington.—War time conditions have brought about a tremendous increase in the sickness rate among industrial workers, a United States Public Health Service expert reported this week.

The rate among 200,000 industrial workers for the third quarter of the last year was 70 per cent higher than in the corresponding period in 1938.

W. M. Fafafer, principal statistician for the Health Service said in Public Health Reports that the following conditions could be listed as adverse factors:

- 1—Increased employment of youth and the older worker.
- 2—Hiring of workers long unemployed, of the inexperienced, and of many persons excluded from the armed forces for one reason or another.
- 3—Emotional strains and personal mental conflicts.
- 4—Overcrowding in the plant.
- 5—Lowered physical standards for employment.
- 6—The lengthened work week with its attendant fatigue.
- 7—Night work.

NOVENA IN HONOR OF ST. JOSEPH

The solemn novena in honor of St. Joseph, Patron of the Church, will open at the Carmelite Monastery on Sunday, March 11th and close on March 19th, the feast of St. Joseph. The monthly novena in honor of the Little Flower will be made at the same time. There will be no novena beginning on the 22nd of this month. This is one of the important novenas of the year and many graces and favors are obtained by those who participate in it.

MAPLE SUGAR SEASON NOW IN FULL SWING

The 1945 maple sugar season in Somerset county, one of the largest producing areas in the nation, is in full swing this week. Most camps opened on Monday, although some started the latter part of last week and experienced a heavy run of sap over the week end. Warm days and cold nights are the most ideal weather for heavy production.

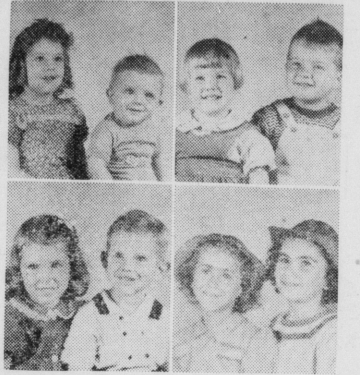
NEW JUG CUTS WEIGHT.

A new type of stainless steel vacuum container has been developed for airplane use that makes possible the serving of thick soups, carbonated beverages and fruit juices at any temperature, at an altitude of 20,000 feet or over. Five of these containers will replace the present eight half gallon and two one gallon containers carried by many planes and save 11 pounds of weight.

The extent to which women will use the air lines after the war is shown by a recent survey in which 81 per cent of the women in the 18-24 age group reported they would use airplanes for business and pleasure travel; in the 25-34 age group the percentage was 74, and in the 35-44 age group the percentage was 67.

SNAPSHOTS OF PATTON CHILDREN

Below is another series of children's pictures, taken some time ago by the Woltz Studios of Des Moines, Iowa, and these pictures will be published in the order they arrive from the studios. Inasmuch as we have no indication whatsoever of what children's pictures will be next in order, we can give no indication of any date upon which they will be published. Just keep your eye on the Press-Courier. Extra copies of the paper will be available.



Top row—Catherine-Frank, children of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Camarata, Janet-Don, children of W. R. Varner. Second row—Lois-Howard, children of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beckwith; Martha-Mary Eleanor, children of Mr. and Mrs. Regis Hitch.

MARINES ARE IN NEED OF MORE DOGS

"Send us more dogs" is the call from Marines in the South Pacific. "Doberman-Pinscher or German Shepherd dogs are valuable in battling the Japs, as valuable as live ammunition," say the Leathernecks who have been using these breeds ever since Bougainville, with great success.

One hundred and fifty more Doberman-Pinscher or German Shepherd dogs are needed by January 31st. Only male dogs between one and four years of age are now accepted. These dogs should be about 27 inches high and weigh about 70 pounds, be of clean blood lines, healthy and aggressive, but not vicious. Inquiries should be directed to the U. S. Marine Corps Recruiting Office, Old Post Office Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa.

These dogs are trained primarily for scout, messenger, and sentry duties, although sometimes they are used to guide First Aid Units to helpless and hidden Marine wounded and to carry ammunition.

It has been said that under some conditions a dog can do the work of three Marine runners on foot, three times effectively or swiftly. Dogs used as scouts are sent ahead of Marine patrols, with their handlers. They are trained to pick up the scent of any human being and taught never to bark. Messenger dogs carry messages from scouts or commanding officers. The messages are rolled into small cylinders and fitted into a recess in the leather collar of the dog. The silent whistle is used by Marines to direct and command their dogs—this whistle is pitched too high to be audible to human ears.

The Marine Corps selects its dogs as carefully as it selects its fighting men, and trains them equally as well. The kennels in which the dogs are housed are clean, modern, and built in such a way as to prevent all drafts. Their food is carefully selected, and they receive adequate medical attention. Each dog has two Marines and this relationship is carried over into combat, when the two Marines and the dog form a "dog unit." The understanding and perfect cooperation which exists between the dog and his handlers is the

ORDER NEW INDEXES FOR COUNTY RECORDER

The Cambria County Court last week signed an order for the purchase of new indexes for the offices of recorder of deeds and the county treasurer. The indexes for the recorder's office will cost \$35,579.12 and those for the county treasurer \$6,200.

The index committee consisting of Attorneys Philip N. Schettig, Morgan W. Evans, and Edward J. Harkins, petitioned the court for the order after pointing out that the old indexes are inadequate and that they have been in use for 21 years. The Russell Index Co. of Pittsburgh has been awarded the contract for copying the current indexes, comparing them, writing the cross indexes and furnishing in all books and other necessary supplies.

BIRD IMPACT WINDSHIELDS.

Small manufacturers have listed collision-resistant windshields as 3rd in importance among matters to which special research should be given. In an effort to solve this problem one aircraft manufacturer has submitted his second windshield design within seven months to the ATA. In this newest windshield the designers have assumed the impact to be overcome would be that of an 8 pound bird at maximum level flight speed.

The greatest work of mercy of the year that your money will help carry out is your donation to the American Red Cross War Fund Drive.

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Choice Unpeeled Apricots 40 pts. No. 2 1/2 can **25c**

String Beans Farmdale String 2 No. 2 cans 10 pts. a can **23c**

ASCO Pancake Flour 20-oz. **8c**
Old Fashioned Buckwheat Flour 5-lb. bag **23c**

ASCO Fancy Delicious Pork and Beans 16-oz. can **8c**

Farmdale Calif. Walnuts lb. **39c**
Fresh Crisp Ginger-Snaps lb. **15c**

BEANS Great Northern 3 12-oz. pkgs. **25c**

Pabst-ett Cheese 4 red pts. **19c**
Glenwood Fancy Jellies 6 1/2-oz. pkgs. **15c**
Puritan Yellow Split Peas lb. ctn. **15c**
Princess Pure Mustard 16-oz. jar **12c**
Lang's Sweet Pickle Chips 8-oz. jar **12c**

Grandma's Molasses Fine for all kinds of baking jar **22c**

ASCO PURE VANILLA EXTRACT 2-oz. bottle **31c**

ASCO Tomato Catsup 14-oz. bottle **16c**
ASCO Chili Sauce 12-oz. bottle **20c**

Rob-Ford Fancy Cut RED BEETS 16-oz. jar **13c**

Rob Roy Pure Grape Preserves lb. jar **19c**

Ideal Spaghetti Dinners Meatless 1/2 red pt. **27c**
Laundry Gems For Washing Clothes 2 pkgs. **19c**
Speedup Household Cleaner qt. **15c**
Speedup Ammonia Clear or Cloudy qt. **10c**
Speedup Washing Bleach qt. **10c**

Mazda Lamps 7 1/2 to 60 watt plus tax each **10c**

ASCO FRESH PRODUCE

TOMATOES Red Ripe lb. **15c**

Radishes bunch 5c
Cabbage 2 lbs. 9c
Pascal Celery 1/2 stalk 19c
Spanish Onions 3 lbs. 19c

Fia. Oranges doz. **49c**
Onion Sets lb. **29c**
Apples 2 lbs. **19c**
Sweet Potatoes 2 lbs. **19c**

Bunch Carrots 2 bchs. **15c**

GRADE 'B' BEEF STEAKS

Sirloin 9 pts. **34c** Round 10 pts. **35c**
Porterhouse 9 pts. **42c** T-Bone 9 pts. **42c**

Grade 'A' LEGS **Shoulder Roast** **Breast**

Lamb 7 pts. **39c** 4 pts. **35c** pt. free **20c**

Hamburger 6 pts. **28c**
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