

PATTON NEWS ITEMS

A birthday party was held in honor of Donna McDevitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan McDevitt, Saturday evening from 6 to 8 o'clock. It was Miss McDevitt's tenth birthday anniversary. A program of games which was followed by lunch was enjoyed by those who attended. The following were present: Shirley Ryan, Joyce Wyse, Joan Albright, Gladys Haluska, Patty Costella, Janet and Carol Holtz, Elaine Davidson, Gloria Vezza and Isabelle Ott.

Miss Mary Donahue of Washington, D. C., spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Donahue.

The B. M. V. Sodality of St. George Church, Patton, will sponsor a series of Bingo Parties in the Church Hall—the first on May 20, at 8 o'clock p. m. You and your friends are cordially invited.

Mrs. Harold Hoover has received word that her husband, Sgt. Harold Hoover, has been awarded the bronze star medal for heroic achievement in action on January 3, 1945, in France. He was also promoted from Pfc. to the grade of Sergeant.

Mr. and Mrs. James E. McGonegal, of 509 Palmer Avenue, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter, Eleanor, to Seaman First Class Bernard F. McConnell. The ceremony took place in St. Sylvester's Church, Brentwood, Pa., on November 25th, 1944. The bride is a graduate of the Mercy Hospital Nurses' School, Pittsburgh, Pa., where she is now working. Mr. McConnell was employed as an electrician at Meta Machine Co., before he entered the service. At the present he is stationed in Albany, California.

From aboard a U. S. Destroyer in the Western Pacific this paper is in receipt of a communication to the effect that Earl R. Klemann, seaman first class, whose father, Bernard R. Klemann, lives on Patton R. D. 1, had a good look at Japan on March 19th. The destroyer went close to the shores of Shikoku—the Jap home island just south of Honshu. She was unchallenged.

Gunnery Mate 2-c Edgar Vescovi, who has spent the past two years in the Southwest Pacific theater of war, with an amphibious transport, is spending a fifteen days' leave with his mother, Mrs. Matilda Vescovi of Lang avenue.

Russell P. Donahue, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Donahue of Patton, has

been promoted from second to first lieutenant, it was announced at Fairfield Air Technical Service Command at Patterson Field, Ohio. Lt. Donahue entered the army at Ft. Myers, Va., in October, 1942, and was commissioned a year later.

Ralph J. Costello, 35, ship's service man (barber) third class, whose wife Josephine, lives in Patton, helped delpe take a new U. S. Cruiser into battle for the first time on March 18 last against the Japanese. Her guns sent two Japanese bombers crashing into the sea not far from Japan, and the carriers they defend so well are free to launch their planes.

T-3 Earl Crowell of the Air Evacuation Corps returned to the States on April 29th after spending thirty months in the European theater of war and is now spending a twenty-one day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Crowell. This is the first furlough Sgt. Crowell has had since he entered service December 11, 1941. He has been awarded the air medal with three oak leaf clusters, seven battle participation stars, and the Good Conduct Medal. At the completion of his furlough Sgt. Crowell will report to Santa Ana, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. McMullen of Harrisburg spent last Saturday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy T. McMullen. The leader of the rhythmic orchestra, of which Earl is a member in Harrisburg, John Carroll, also spent the day at the McMullen home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Platt of Magee avenue, have received word that their daughter 2nd Lt. Grace Platt, has been promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant. Lt. Grace Platt is with the 100 Evacuation Hospital in Germany.

Mrs. Cut Dietrick and children of Chest Springs moved to Wilkingsburg on Monday, where they will reside. Mr. Dietrick is employed at the Westinghouse Electric Co.

Clair Kelly of Ligonier, spent the week end with his wife and son at Chest Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Nagle and Mrs. Byron of Cresson, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Snyder Yerger.

Mrs. Francis Callahan and son, Jimmie, returned to Baltimore, Md., after spending two weeks with relatives here.

Cpl. Sam Lees, M. P., has returned to the States after 39 months in New Guinea, and now is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lees.

Pvt. Gordon Baker, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Baker, of Patton R. D., has returned to this country after spending some time in the European

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theater. An infantryman, Pvt. Baker has seen action against the enemy in Germany, and has been awarded the Purple Heart and the ETO campaign ribbon with one battle star. Prior to his induction over 8 months ago, Pvt. Baker was employed as a truck driver.

Miss Loretto Holtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Holtz of Patton, R. D., became the bride of Sgt. Andrew Salko, of South Fork, at a ceremony which took place on Monday, May 14th, at nine o'clock in St. Mary's Catholic Church. Rev. Father Florian Bergmann, O. S. B., pastor, officiated.

Attendants were Miss Anna Marie Holtz and Raymond Holtz, sister and brother of the bride. The bride wore a white satin gown, fingertip veil, fastened to a tiara, and carried an arm bouquet of white snapdragons and carnations. The bridesmaid wore a pink gown, shoulder length veil, and carried pink and white carnations. A wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents. The newlyweds left on a honeymoon trip. After the completion of a 45-day furlough, Sgt. Salko will return to the Aleutian Islands, where he has been stationed for some time.

Miss Emily Yahner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Yahner of Linwood Avenue, and Fireman First Class Emery Petrunyak, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Petrunyak, were united in marriage on Tuesday morning at nine o'clock, in St. Mary's Catholic church, by the Rev. Father Florian Bergmann, O. S. B., pastor, who also sang the nuptial high mass following the vows. Attendants were Miss Ramona Yahner, sister of the bride, and Albert Disisco, of Hastings. The bride was attired in a white net gown, fingertip veil, and carried white carnations. The bridesmaid wore a blue gown, shoulder length veil, and carried pink carnations. A wedding breakfast was served at the bride's home. The newlyweds left on a honeymoon trip and after its completion, Fireman Petrunyak's leave, he will return to New York, where he is stationed.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Ben-

der of Carrolltown, on May 15—a daughter.

Trinity Methodist Church
Sunday, May 20, 9:45 a. m. "The Church at Study." Topic, "Can We Lose Our National Heritage?"
10:30 a. m.—"The Church at Worship." This is Whitsunday, Pentecost.
6:30 p. m.—Youth Fellowship.
7:30 p. m.—Evening service.
Wednesday, May 23—Midweek service at 7:30 p. m. We shall consider the spiritual growth in the home.

Louis Gelormino Is Promoted
Allied Force Headquarters, Italy—Louis C. Gelormino, son of Mr. Nick Gelormino of 704 South 3rd Avenue, Patton, recently was promoted to Private First Class. Pfc. Gelormino has been overseas 18 months. He wears the Mediterranean Theater Ribbon with one Battle Participation Star, and the Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster. He entered the service upon completion of high school. He is now performing general Military Police duties with the 1179th Military Police Company in Italy.

BARNESBORO FLIER IS WOUNDED IN FRANCE
First Lt. James R. Mulvehill, 22, of Barnesboro, pilot of a B-26 Maurader bomber, was wounded April 20th during a mission over France, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mulvehill of Barnesboro.

In a letter the flier told his parents that he had been wounded but that he was recuperating rapidly. He also urged his parents not to worry about him, as he was receiving excellent treatment in a hospital in France.

Lt. Mulvehill entered the air forces 1943. He formerly was an outstanding Barnesboro athlete.

CARD OF THANKS.
We wish to extend sincere thanks to all those who assisted us in any way during our recent bereavement, the death of my wife and our mother, Mrs. Columbie Finett; also for the floral offerings and the use of automobiles.

Arthur Finett, Sr., and Family.

NOVENA AT CARMEL.
Announcement has been made from the Carmelite Monastery at Loretto that the monthly novena in honor of the Little Flower will open on Tuesday, May 22, and close on Wednesday, May 30th. Each day the Novena prayers, Devotion to Our Lady and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 4 p. m. The twentieth anniversary of the canonization of St. Therese will be on May 17th; hence many favors and graces are sought at this time. The Novena will again be offered for a speedy termination of the war, for the spiritual and temporal welfare of all in the service as well as in thanksgiving for many favors recently obtained. Address to the Carmelite Monastery, Loretto, Pa.

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