

We Remember

KILLED IN ACTION

RICHARD WELLINGTON CEASE, January 29, 1942
 KEATS POAD, March 3, 1942
 WALTER CECIL WILSON, May 9, 1942
 CLIFFORD S. NULTON, November 26, 1943
 ELWOOD BLIZZARD, March 1, 1944
 ROBERT RESSIGUE, April 20, 1944
 SAMUEL GALLETTI, May 23, 1944
 JAMES DeANGELO, June 22, 1944
 WILLIAM STRITZINGER, July 9, 1944
 FREDERICK LOVELAND, September 12, 1944
 HARRY BEAN, September 13, 1944
 EDWARD METZGAR, October 12, 1944
 CHARLES KINSMAN, November 5, 1944
 DONALD L. MISSON, December 11, 1944
 WILLIAM J. GAREY, December 12, 1944
 JOSEPH YANEK, December 22, 1944
 JOHN LAITY, January 1, 1945
 WILLIAM SNYDER FRANTZ, January, 1945

DIED IN SERVICE

GEORGE UTRICH, May 16, 1942
 HOWARD A. COSGROVE, July 3, 1942
 THOMAS CLARK LLOYD, July 4, 1943
 EVAN J. BRACE, February 15, 1944
 GEORGE S. RACE, October 26, 1944
 RAYMOND H. LOVELAND, January 8, 1945
 JOSEPH POLACHEK, January 22, 1945

MISSING IN ACTION

HAROLD THOMAS KEPNER, December 19, 1942
 JOHN P. GLEASON, March 30, 1943
 JOHN E. FRITZ, May 7, 1943
 ALFRED E. MAURY, February 5, 1944
 ROBERT A. GIRVAN, May 14, 1944
 OTTO W. HARZDORF, June 1, 1944
 HERBERT C. CULP, July 12, 1944
 ELWOOD R. RENSHAW, August 20, 1944
 JAMES B. DAVIES, August 25, 1944
 KARL M. KUNKLE, December 5, 1944
 EDWIN A. BURKHARDT, December 17, 1944
 PAUL S. KOCHER, December 17, 1944
 ALFRED J. BROWN, December 17, 1944
 WELFORD SCOUTEN, December, 20, 1944
 JOHN E. REESE, December 26, 1944

PRISONERS OF WAR

CLARENCE H. MORGAN, May 22, 1942
 DONALD FREEMAN, May 22, 1942
 FRED WESTERMAN, April 20, 1943
 EDWARD SMITH, April 14, 1944
 PETER SKOPIC, May 29, 1944
 RAYMOND F. SUTTON, May 29, 1944
 PAUL F. NULTON, Jr., July 19, 1944
 IRVIN C. DAVIS, Jr., September 15, 1944
 WILLIAM GENSEL, October 16, 1944

Editorially Speaking:

Three Faiths — One Purpose

A story has come out of the war about three boys who grew up in the same country, went to the same school, played on the same football team—and died in the same war for a common cause.

Their names were Kehoe, Foster, and Ross—one a Catholic, one a Protestant, one a Jew. *The Daily Evening Item* of Lynn, Massachusetts, which reports their story, says that they were inseparable friends during their days at Swampscott High School where all three of them distinguished themselves on the football team.

Swampscott had a great team in the Fall of 1939, due in large measure to the fact that Kehoe, Foster, and Ross played on it.

1939 was a fateful year. Hitler marched into Poland in the Fall of that year—during the very days when Kehoe, Foster, and Ross were making football history at Swampscott. The war then seemed far off to most Americans. Perhaps, it seemed far off to these three boys, too. Who knows?

But, if the war seemed far off, the reality of democracy was very close to them. On the athletic field of an American high school they were learning what democracy means. They were not of the same religious faith. But no one seemed to think that that made any difference to the part each one of them played in giving Swampscott a great football team in the Fall of 1939—when Hitler, who persecuted Jews, Protestants, and Catholics, marched into Poland.

Strange thing, isn't it? If Swampscott in 1939 was going to have the best football team at its command, it would have to use the talents of a Catholic boy, a Protestant boy, and a Jewish boy. Strange thing, isn't it? If America in 1945 was to have a strong army to defend and to preserve democracy against the Nazis and the Japanese, who are committed to its destruction, it would have to be an army of Catholics, Protestants, and Jews.

But not strange at all when you come to think of it. For America is not a country for the people of one race or one religion. America is a country for mankind.

Do we understand this truth even yet? How can anyone, facing the facts, condemn Catholics, or Protestants, or Jews—or raise the voice of slander against them? The point is that no one can—who faces the facts!

FROM PILLAR TO POST

By Mrs. T. M. B. HICKS, JR.

There's one thing the area won't have to worry about any more this winter, and that is the weather. Come the second of February, the day will be overcast and gloomy, and the groundhog will emerge from his winter burrow, survey the landscape, and see no alarming shadow.

From the second of February on, the balmy winds will blow, the snow will melt, and the maple sap will start to run.

How do I know all this? Well, it is very simple. I have made sacrifices to the weather-man.

For the last couple of months there has been a too generous amount of snow. Snow is all right in its place and at a suitable season, but this snow situation has gotten out of bounds. If allowed to continue, it will result in a flood to end floods, a torrent that will remorse-

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Kiwanis Hears Talk On Pharmacy At War

"What is being done by Pharmacy Houses to promote the war effort" was the subject of a talk presented by John Hughes of Lee Park before Dallas Kiwanis Club at its weekly dinner meeting Wednesday night at Turner's Restaurant.

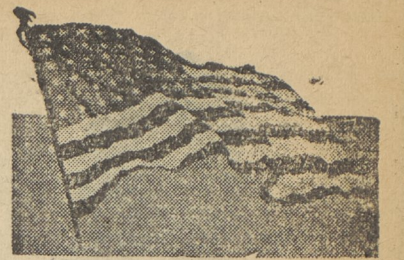
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William Frantz Dies Of Wounds

Orange Lad Was In Philippines Area

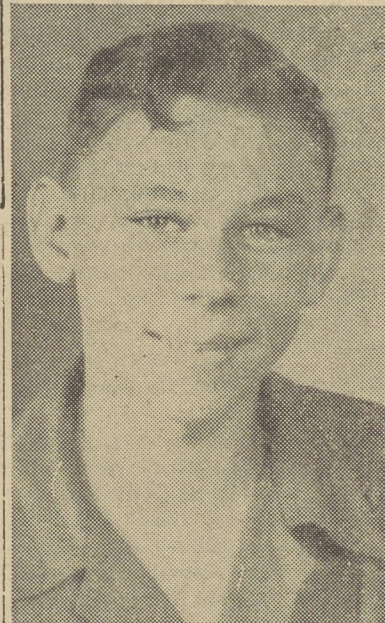
News of the death of William Snyder Frantz of Orange comes as a shock to his many friends of this whole area. He is the first of the men in service from Orange to give his life in battle.

William Snyder Frantz Mo. MM 2/c died of wounds received in action somewhere in the Philippines area. He was the son of Mrs. Mildred Snyder Jones and made his home with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Snyder of Orange. It was here that the word was received Sunday January 28 of the death of the young sailor.

William Frantz was born April 22, 1922. He attended grade school in Exeter Township and in 1940 was graduated from West Pittston High School. "Billy" as everybody called him was always interested in mechanics of all kinds and especially in Diesel engines. He was fond of tinkering with the varieties of machinery around the garage, farm and machine shop of his grandfather, Fred Snyder. For two years before entering the service William worked at the Sun Shipbuilding Co. in Chester, and learned to use the welder's torch in welding and burning. It was only natural, therefore, that he should select Diesel engine work in the Navy. He took his boot training at Sampson N. Y., later going to Melville Rhode Island where he received his PT boat training. He had been in service since October 1943.

Billy was never one to stress the dangers of his work. In fact he often reassured his people that the real dangers were far away from him. It was only by reading between the lines that one would know that he was often in the thick of things. It is perhaps not only characteristic of Billy Frantz but of most of our American fighting men that he "didn't want to kill anybody". He told this to

His Project Wins



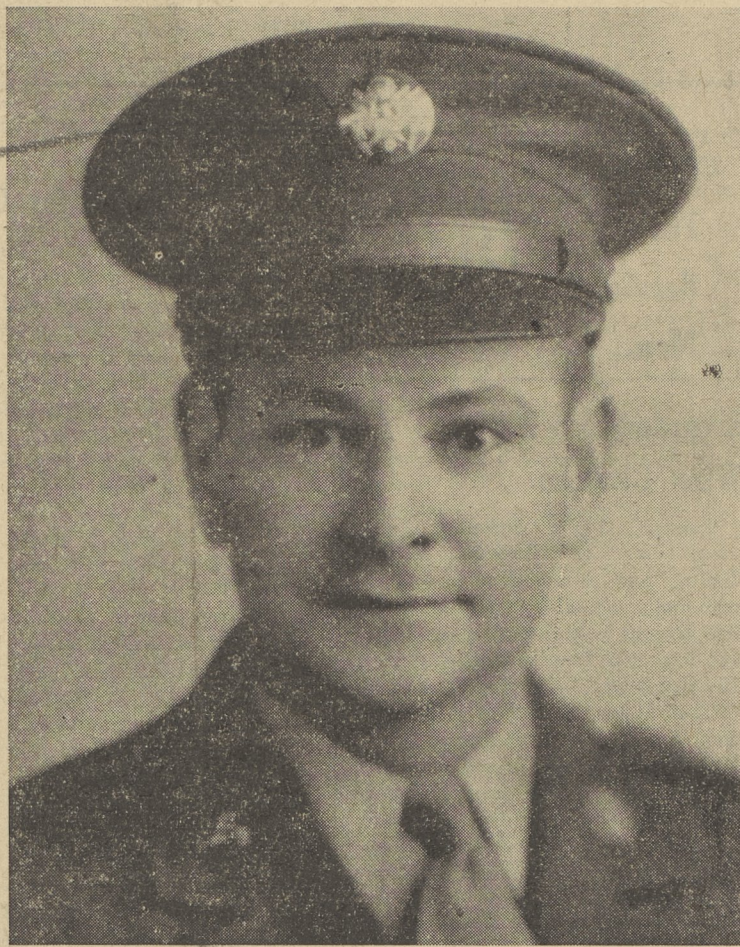
Joseph A. Hardisky

Joseph A. Hardisky, a senior at Dallas Township High School placed third in the State and was the winner of a bronze medal at the Pennsylvania State Farm Show for his project in small fruits. Joseph raised 369 quarts of red strawberries on his 1/4 acre plot of land and made a profit of \$114. During the summer he operated four projects on which he made a total net profit of \$473.35.

He was ninth in yield in the State on his potato project and eleventh on the project as a whole. He grew 314 bushels to the acre making a profit of \$344. He also had four colonies of bees on which he made \$15.35.

His fourth project was raising a calf. On this project he had to expand profits made on his other enterprise. He purchased his calf from Sterling Farm and says its a dandy.

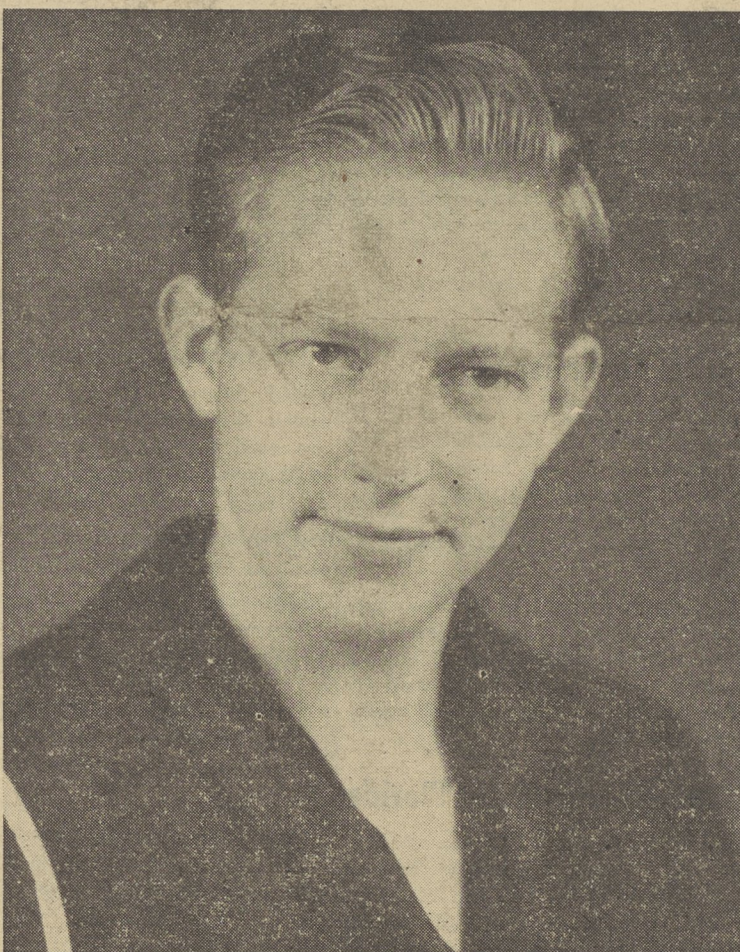
Joseph is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hardisky. He has been president of F.F.A. for the past two years and finds time during the summer to play with the Centerville Baseball Team. He has received the Keystone Degree, which is the State F.F.A. degree, and expects to try out for the American Farmer Degree in national competition. Joe gives a lot of credit to his Vocational teacher, Sheldon Mosier, for the things that have helped him to make a fine showing in the weekly series of mess-



Died In Service - On Leyte

JOHN LAITY

March 21, 1913—January 1, 1945



Killed In Action - The Philippines

WILLIAM SYNDER FRANTZ

April 22, 1922—January 1945

One Hundred And Ten Persons Give \$6,500 To Library Fund

One hundred and ten persons Mountain Memorial Library". What have contributed \$6,500 in individual subscriptions of \$50 or more to the rapidly growing fund for a Back Mountain Memorial Library, Harry Ohlman, treasurer of the Association, announced last night at a library meeting in Lundy's.

"Of this amount", Mr. Ohlman said, "more than \$3,500 has already been deposited to the Library account in First National Bank, Dallas."

With contributions at a peak this week, there appeared to be no diminishing of the enthusiasm that is sweeping the entire Back Mountain Region for the project.

As solicitors went about their work they were encouraged by letters and verbal endorsement from scores of residents throughout widely scattered sections of the area.

From Sweet Valley Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bronson wrote: Memorial Library Association:

It isn't often that one thanks the solicitor for soliciting, but we are proud to help boost the weekly series of mess-

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Outlet Soldier Dies On Leyte

Pvt. John Laity Was A Medical Corpsman

Pvt. John Laity, 31, a medical corpsman with the 77th Infantry Division, died on Leyte Island in the Philippines on January 1st according to information reaching his wife, the former Margaret Cook of Idetown, proprietor of Laity's store at Outlet on the Lehman-Harvey's Lake Road.

Pvt. Laity was inducted into the army on December 7, 1943, and received his basic medical training at Camp Grant, Ill. Prior to entering service he was employed for 2 1/2 years in defense work with the Metal Hose and Tubing Company of Dover, N. J. He was home for six days in April and left for overseas in June. He was with the 77th Division at Ormoc on December 7 and took part in the invasion of Leyte.

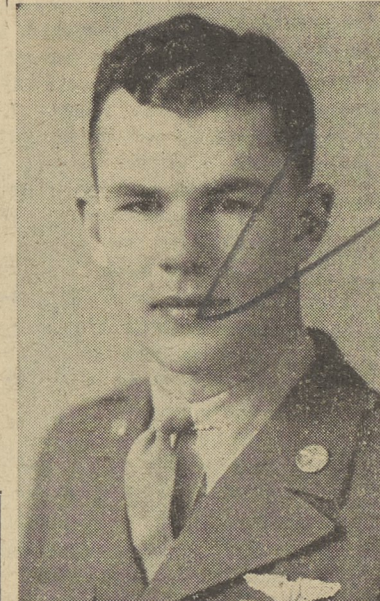
In letters written on December 12, 22, and 24th., he said that he had lived in a foxhole for fifteen nights and that it had rained every night. He said that the troops were giving the Japs plenty to worry about but that he had come through the worst of the battle safely. On December 24 he wrote that the soldiers would celebrate Christmas on Thursday instead of Monday so that they could all be together. His letters were cheerful and full of praise for the "wonderful job the troops were doing."

For a number of years, Pvt. Laity conducted the Atlantic Service Station at Hillside which he owned and operated himself.

Besides his wife, he leaves his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Laity of Edwardsville, and five brothers, Donald of Edwardsville, Harold of Larksville, Cpl. Harold with the Third Army on the Western Front and Robert and Carl at home.

Pvt. Laity was educated in Edwardsville Schools and was a member of Courtdale Methodist Church.

At Valley Forge



Cpl. Martin J. Weir

Cpl. Martin J. Weir, 20, tail gunner on a B-17 bomber that crashed on August 9, in the Azores killing two members of the crew, is in Valley Forge General Hospital where he last week underwent a serious surgical operation to save his leg.

Martin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin J. Weir of Maplewood, N. J., and a nephew of Miss Mary Weir of Goodleigh Farm. His father was a former Wilkes-Barre newspaper man, and his mother was the former Nan MacDonald of N. Main street, Wilkes-Barre.

For the past 14 years Martin spent his summers at Goodleigh Farm where he helped with the farm work and during the labor shortage of 1942 did practically all of the farm work with a tractor. He entered military service through Draft Board No. 1 at Wyoming in December 1943. He trained with the Air Corps at Coral Gables, Florida, Westover Field, Mass., and Mitchell Field, N. Y. On the flight overseas his plane pancaked against a mountain near Lisbon, Spain, and broke in two. Cpl. Weir received serious arm and leg injuries, and fractured ribs. After seven days in a hospital in the Azores he was flown to a hospital in Florida and thence by plane to Valley Forge.

While a resident of Dallas Township Martin used to coach athletics during the summer months at Dallas High School grounds. He at-

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Parents Discuss Teen-Age House For Shavertown

Youth Center May Be First Of Several To Open In This Area

Boys and girls of high school age, representatives of youth organizations, and their dads and mothers are invited to attend a meeting Sunday afternoon at Shavertown Fire House to discuss the establishment of a Teen-Age House or Houses in Kingston Township.

Harry Hersh, State director of the teen-age program of the Office of Civilian Defense, will be the speaker. Plans will be discussed for establishing a Teen-Age House, complete with juke box, milk bar, games and other accessories in the small, unused grade school building on the Shavertown Grade School grounds.

First meeting to discuss the project was held Monday night in the Chapel of Shavertown Methodist Church. At that time there was enthusiastic approval of the idea and after considerable discussion of the question "Is there a need?" it was agreed by the group that a need exists in the Back Mountain area for a youth center or centers and that a meeting should be held Sunday afternoon to get the opinion of youth and its parents as well.

Those who attended the Monday night meeting were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Currie, Rev. Felix Zeffiro, Stanley Davis, Rev. Charles Gilbert, Prof. James Martin, Rev. Herbert Frankfort, Edgar B. Sutton, Thomas Earl, James Wheeler, Mrs. Martin Porter, Mrs. Granville Souden and Misses LaBar, Hunt and Nichols of Dallas Junior Woman's Club.

According to the best information obtainable by Robert Currie, who was temporary chairman of the meeting, the costs of establishing a Teen-Age House are trivial. Experience of communities where such centers are operating show that these centers are practically self-supporting.

In order to assist the local group, and provide background material for study, the executive committee of the Towanda Teen-Age House which has been in successful operation for two years, this week forwarded copies of its constitution to Mr. Currie and a letter explaining the operation of the center. The constitution and explanatory letter follow:

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Birthday Overseas



Pfc. Richard W. Prynn

Pfc. Richard W. Prynn of Carverton will observe his thirty-third birthday anniversary on February 4 with the Eighth Air Force in England. It is his second birthday anniversary overseas. He is stationed at an air depot and does electrical work on bombers.

Pfc. Prynn is the son of Daisy Wilson Prynn and the late Willard Prynn of Demunds. His wife is the former Naomi Besteder of Carverton. He is a graduate of Kingston Township High School and was active in base ball circles throughout the Back Mountain Region before entering service.

After his induction in July 1943 he was stationed at South Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, for one month and then went overseas. He has not been home since entering service. A brother, Robert, seaman first class, is with the U.S. Navy in the Philippines.