




1-27-1944

The Independent, V. 69, Thursday, January 27, 1944, [Number: 35]

The Independent

Paul W. Levengood
Ursinus College

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.ursinus.edu/independent>

 Part of the [American Politics Commons](#), [Cultural History Commons](#), [Social History Commons](#), and the [United States History Commons](#)

[Click here to let us know how access to this document benefits you.](#)

Recommended Citation

Independent, The and Levengood, Paul W., "The Independent, V. 69, Thursday, January 27, 1944, [Number: 35]" (1944). *The Independent Newspaper, 1898-1952*. 2328.
<https://digitalcommons.ursinus.edu/independent/2328>

This Newspaper is brought to you for free and open access by the Historic Trappe at Digital Commons @ Ursinus College. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Independent Newspaper, 1898-1952 by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons @ Ursinus College. For more information, please contact aprock@ursinus.edu.

If there is any philosophy in a man, marriage will develop it.
—Feather

VOLUME SIXTY-NINE

COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1944

NUMBER 35

About People You Know in Collegeville

Umstead Flies to Arizona

Mr Harry Umstead, of Clamer Avenue, left by plane on Friday for several month's sojourn in Arizona for his health. Prior to his departure for La Guardia Airport, Mr and Mrs Umstead were entertained by Dr Guillian Clamer at the Union League, Philadelphia. Mrs Umstead plans to reside with her parents, Mr and Mrs Ralph Miller temporarily, but will join her husband later.

Attended FBI School

Chief George Moyer attended the quarterly session of the FBI School at Cheltenham on Thursday evening. The course is conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for police officers in this area.

C-T Soph Hop Jan. 29

The Sophomore Class of Collegeville-Trappe High School will hold their annual dance in the C-T gymnasium on Saturday evening.

Birthday Celebration

Mrs Joseph Hastings and Mrs Robert Hess gave a family dinner at the former's home on Sunday in celebration of the birthday of Mr John Litka, their father. Guests from Evansburg, Allentown, Upper Darby and Collegeville attended.

Mrs Elmira T. Gouldy returned on Friday to her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr and Mrs Wilmer Tyson, Third Avenue. Mrs Gouldy had spent about ten days in Elm Terrace Hospital, Lansdale, where she underwent a delicate eye operation. During her stay there she was the recipient of many cards, letters and flowers and she wishes to thank her neighbors and friends for their kindly interest and sympathy.

Mrs Edward H. Platte was hostess on Tuesday evening to the local Bridge club.

The Dolly Madison Sewing club was entertained on Friday evening at the home of Mrs Adam Litka, Evansburg.

Mrs John R. Jackson, of Waynesboro, Pa., is a guest for the winter of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr and Mrs Edgar Baird, Sixth Avenue.

Mr and Mrs Harold Weaver and children, Second Avenue, were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs Irvin King and family of Royersford. On Monday they attended a family dinner given by Mrs Weaver's parents, Mr and Mrs Edwin Souder, of Telford. The dinner was in the nature of a farewell for their son, Mahlon Souder, who left Monday night for the Navy.

Mr Frank Hankins left Tuesday for a three weeks business trip thru the west. His itinerary covers Erie, Cleveland, Chicago and Detroit.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Whitman entertained at a family dinner party on Sunday to celebrate the birthday of Mrs Whitman's mother, Mrs John T. Gregory, Sr., of Norristown. Guests were Mr and Mrs John Gregory Jr. and Mrs Mabel Shrouds of Norristown; Mr and Mrs Harold Smoyer, Phoenixville; Mr and Mrs Robert Gregory, Lansdale and Mrs George Shrouds, Royersford.

Herman Pundt resumed his position at Superior Tube Company on Sunday after being invalidated for several months with a badly injured finger.

Mr and Mrs Louis Bock and daughter Verna attended the dedication of the J. William Ditter Memorial Chapel at the Willow Grove Air Station on Sunday. Miss Bock was the weekend guest of Mrs J. William Ditter at Ambler.

Squire Arthur Rasmussen, who retired as President of the Montgomery County Magistrates' Association several weeks ago, was appointed this week to a place on the Executive-Legislative Committee.

Russell Houston, 4, Collegeville R. D. 1, was admitted to the Montgomery Hospital this week. His tongue was cut and required one stitch.

Earl Yost was the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party held at his home in Rahns this week. Present were Mr and Mrs Frank Yost, Collegeville, Walter Yost, Graterford, and other relatives and friends from Norristown, Phoenixville, and Limerick.

(Continued on page 6)

THE DEATH ROLL

Joseph A. Ruth

Joseph A. Ruth, First Avenue, Collegeville, died on Tuesday at York, Pa., while visiting relatives there. He died in the York Hospital of pneumonia. He was employed at the Synthane Corp.

One son, Donald E., survives. Funeral services will be held on Friday morning at 10:30 a. m. on the Boyd Funeral Home, Collegeville, with interment in the Fernwood Cemetery, Royersford.

Bond Drive Sales Under \$100,000

More Than \$450,000 Remains to Be Raised; Workers Report Sales or Pledges at Most Homes

The drive to raise \$550,000 through the sale of War Bonds in the Collegeville area has reached a point still under \$100,000 according to an unofficial estimate received today. Just a few reports have been made from the workers scattered throughout the area. The few workers who have already made a preliminary report say that everyone is receptive and that sales and pledges are being made at nearly every home contacted. More than \$450,000 remains to be raised.

The Collegeville National Bank sales for last week reached \$37,852.50. This represented sales of 296 bonds. Post Office sales were not available.

Howard C. Shallcross, chairman of the Fourth War Loan campaign in this area, said that plenty of hard work on the part of the volunteer canvassers is still necessary if the goal is to be reached.

War Bond sales in the defense plants within the area are going well. No report is received from this group and no definite figures will be known until the drive has gone for several more weeks.

Superior Tube Company men and women have a quota of \$64,000 for the Fourth War Loan Drive. The industrial plants in Oaks also have accepted quotas ranging from \$2,750 up to close to \$100,000. Much of this will be allocated to the credit of this area.

Leaders promised a more detailed report within the next week as more of the individuals who are soliciting make reports on sales and pledges.

Montgomery County as a whole has about reached the halfway mark in the drive for \$24,000,000 in sales of the popular government securities.

RECIPE FOR GOOD GRANGE IS THEME OF KEYSTONERS

The Keystone Grange No. 2, of Trappe, met this week in regular session with the theme of the program for the evening centering around the Grange organization.

"A Recipe for a Good Grange" was read by the lecturer, Evelyn Bechtel. Forming of the Patrons' Chain was next on the program. Christian Hunsicker then gave a report on the meeting of the State Grange.

Harold Gotwals, Mrs Beulah Kohl and Mrs A. D. Hunsicker gave a dramatization of the various phases of the Grange work. A solo, All Hail to the Grange, was sung by Mrs Harry Hoyer accompanied by Dorothy Hoyer. All members then joined in a quiz program, "Are You a Good Patron?"

Mrs Harold Allebach, Worthy State Flora, spoke to the members and gave a glimpse of the work of the State Grange as seen through the eyes of a state officer. After a game for the group the closing song, Beautiful Grange, was sung.

LAD ON PROBATION FOR PART IN CONSPIRACY ENTERS ARMY

James F. McLeigh, 18, Collegeville R. D. 1, who had been placed on one year's probation by Judge Harold G. Knight last week for his part in having conspired to rob the messenger of the Garrick Theatre, Norristown, when he took the funds from the theatre to a bank.

He had conspired with half a dozen other youths to hold up the messenger but they were overheard and arrested before they could carry out the plan. McLeigh volunteered for Army service and was accepted for immediate duty. Judge Knight, therefore, placed the youth on probation.

FINAL REPORT SHOWS TOTAL OF \$6,809.60 FOR WAR FUND

Joel B. Francis, chairman of the National War Fund drive for the Lower Perkiomen Valley District, has submitted his final report to the state headquarters. The regular drive was concluded late last year but some industrial reports were outstanding and made a final report impossible until this time. The report shows that a total of \$6,809.60 was donated to the drive in this area. This exceeds the goal by more than a thousand dollars.

BIRTHS ANNOUNCED

Mr and Mrs Duncan M. Hunsberger of Reading, formerly of Trappe, announce the birth of a daughter, Jean Chandler Hunsberger, on Friday at the Reading Hospital. Her father observed his birthday the same day.

A subscription to *The Independent* is \$2.00 well invested.

RED CROSS BRANCH WILL REORGANIZE ON FRIDAY

The annual reorganization meeting of the Collegeville branch of the American Red Cross will be held on Friday evening in the Collegeville Fire Hall. Chairman J. Hansell French urges that as many members as possible attend the meeting. Anyone who has contributed to the annual roll call is a member and is eligible to vote and is urged to be present and participate in the election of the new directors.

French also asks that all committee chairmen be present with a report on the activities of the year.

Insurance Company Reelects Managers

Board of Managers Remains the Same; Envious Growth Shown in 71st Annual Report

All members of the Board of Managers of the Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Collegeville, were re-elected at the annual reorganization meeting of the company on Wednesday afternoon at the home office at Collegeville. This was the 71st annual meeting.

The men who were re-elected to the board were S. H. Yocum, Oaks; David S. Henning, Kulpville; I. Y. Baringer, Perkase; I. T. Haldeman, Schwenksville; John F. Stamm, Pottstown; Howard C. Shallcross, Graterford; Horace H. Smith, Pennsburg; Ralph E. Miller, Collegeville; Otto H. Moyer, Royersford; C. Kepler Tyson, Skipack; E. H. Alderfer, Souderton; J. Stroud Weber, Collegeville; and Edwin H. Coggeshall, Collegeville.

Guests at the meeting were P. O. Feidler, Mayor of Huntingdon, West Virginia, and state agent in that state for the local company; and H. E. Nelson, Feidler's special agent.

The Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company has shown an enviable growth over the past few years. A comparative statement of assets covering the past 15 years shows an increase in assets from \$58,737.87 in 1928 to \$286,290.77 in 1943. The increase in assets in 1943 over 1942 was in excess of \$44,000.

The total amount of insurance in force has risen from \$27,135,577 in 1928 to \$53,092,587 in 1943. This figure for 1943 shows an increase in the amount of insurance in force of better than four and three-fourths million dollars over 1942.

ANNOUNCE ENGAGEMENT OF MISS FLORENCE BECHTEL

The engagement of Miss Florence Bechtel, Collegeville, to Robert Eschbach, of Lancaster, was announced at a pretty buffet given by Mrs William McAllister, aunt of the honored guest, on Sunday evening at the McAllister home on Main Street. Twenty-four guests were present at the event.

Miss Bechtel is a graduate of the Collegeville High School and of Ursinus College. She had been an instructor in the Collegeville-Trappe High School but is now employed in a defense plant in Philadelphia. Mr Eschbach is a graduate of Pennsylvania State College and is now with the Army Air Forces at San Antonio, Texas.

No date has been set for the wedding.

URSINUS THESPIANS TO GIVE JUPITER LAUGHS, JAN. 28 & 29

The Ursinus College Curtain club will present "Jupiter Laughs" in the gym theatre this Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 o'clock. Mr D. L. Helfferich is directing the production.

Reelected Treasurer of Presidents

Dr Norman E. McClure, President of Ursinus College, was re-named Treasurer of the Pennsylvania Association of College Presidents last Friday.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY IS NOW CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 16

Montgomery County Congressional District No. 16 in the new state set-up as announced by the State Election Bureau. Under the new plan, which goes into effect with this year's general election, the state is redistricted into 33 Congressional districts instead of the present 32 districts and one "at large" post. The redistricting comes about because of the reapportionment law passed by the 1943 legislature.

SUFFERS BROKEN HIP

Irvin Miller, 51, of Zieglerville, is in the Montgomery Hospital suffering from a fractured hip sustained while he was at work at the Superior Tube Company. He tripped and fell over a loaded box.

Services Accept 42 From Board 8

Nineteen Fathers Included in Group Which Will Leave Here in Two Weeks for Active Duty

Nineteen fathers were among the 42 men accepted by the Army and Navy after final examination of the contingent from Montgomery County Draft Board 8 last Wednesday at Philadelphia. The Army accepted 22 men and the Navy 20.

This was one of the largest calls in recent months. Almost seventy men were in the contingent to be examined at the induction center.

This was also the last call under the old system whereby men were given a preliminary physical examination at home and were then sent to Philadelphia for final examination and immediate induction if they were successful in the physical. Now the local screening test will be dropped and men sent to the examination center direct. The men who pass this examination are not inducted immediately but are called at a later date. The plan is to build up a pool of 1-A's which will be available at any time.

Men in the call last Wednesday were:

ARMY

*Clarence L. Wanner, Collegeville
*Richard E. Ullman, Collegeville
*Charles Kulp, Rahns
*Theodore K. Slaybaugh, Pottstown
*Thomas W. Horinka, Allentown
*Joseph Keiser, Royersford
*Franklin C. Naute, Linfield
*John R. Borneman, Royersford
*Charles A. Yarnall, Schwenksville
*Earl C. Buck, Red Hill
*Elber C. Gillespie, York
*John J. P. Berry, Royersford
*Edward J. Tallis, Schwenksville
*William B. Wekluk, Philadelphia
*Kurt Strauss, Royersford
*Paul Irvin Yerk, Royersford
*Roger W. Lachman, E. Greenville
*Thomas F. Stoudt, Palm
*Leonard W. Brinckman, Pennsburg
*Clair W. Hunsberger, Green Lane
*Harry W. Kulp, Red Hill
*Donald R. Weidner, Sunnyside

NAVY

*John H. Doyle, Collegeville
*Forrest M. Andes, Limerick
*Calvin F. Fegley, Jr., Royersford
*Robert J. Fry, Spring City
*Anthony S. Bodzioch, Pottstown
*Lester E. Meschter, E. Greenville
*Harold H. Horn, Shillington
*Dominick DeFranco, Red Hill
*Henry R. Miller, Red Hill
*G. Kenneth Smith, Royersford
*Clarence Raylor, Jr., Phoenixville
*Jacob H. McCord, Royersford
*John W. Wentzel, Jr., Royersford
*Charles W. Clemens, Phoenixville
*Ignatius M. Barsosky, Mont Clare
*Eugene H. Koffroth, Royersford
*Andrew W. Pufko, Jr., Mont Clare
*Charles H. Krause, E. Greenville
*Earl B. Freed, Zieglerville
*James J. Golie, Royersford

*Fathers
*Linford Gephart and Charles Henry Stull were accepted in the same call with the men above although they took the final physical examination on different dates than the other men.

Sixteen Examined Saturday

Sixteen men from Draft Board 8 were sent for the pre-induction test at Philadelphia on Saturday under the new system which eliminates local screening tests. The names of the men are not available for publication.

Another large group will leave here early in February to take the examination. There will probably be 144 men in that group although this does not mean that they will be immediately sent into service since the new system does not call for immediate induction after examination.

WILCOX NAMED PRESIDENT OF FRANCE FOREVER GROUP

The Collegeville Committee of France Forever met at the home of Alfred M. Wilcox, 2 Glenwood Avenue, Collegeville, on Sunday evening to elect officers for 1944. Alfred M. Wilcox was named President; Dr Helen T. Garrett, Executive Vice-President; Dr Merri C. Mollier, Vice-President; Mrs Herbert Noble, Vice-President; and Miss Sarah Hutton Beck, Secretary-Treasurer.

Dr Garrett was elected delegate to the special convention of Presidents of chapters of France Forever to be held at the Waldorf Astoria in New York on February 12 and 13. The delegates will have an opportunity to discuss points of French policy with Professor Francis Perrin who has been chosen to represent the French in America in the Consultative Assembly in Algiers. Prof Perrin will leave soon.

Another meeting of the Collegeville committee will be held in the near future. Plans are also being made for at least one public meeting to be sponsored by the group.

MRS STANIS RESIGNS HOME ECONOMICS JOB AT C-T H. S.

The Teachers' Committee of the Collegeville-Trappe Joint School Board will meet this afternoon to elect a successor to Mrs Anthony Stanis, instructor in Home Economics, who has resigned effective January 29. The number of eligible teachers for the position is limited although the committee had received applications from three persons who were interested in the position. The number narrowed down in the last couple of days.

Mrs Stanis will join her husband who is serving with the U. S. Navy at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

'Escaped' Convicts Found in Prison

Two Inmates at Graterford Pen Discovered Hiding in Unused Boiler after Alarm is Broadcast

Two inmates who were falsely believed to have escaped from the Eastern State Penitentiary at Graterford Sunday morning were found in the powerhouse and within the walls of the penitentiary on Monday evening about 7:15 after hiding in an unused boiler for two days and a night. Police of seven surrounding states joined in the hunt for the two men.

The convicts were Edward Grygier and Melvin Gridley. They were discovered by Engineer William H. Kriebel early on Monday evening when he entered the boiler room for a routine inspection. He spied the pair on top of the unused boiler and gave the alarm. After a chase of some minutes they were captured by pursuing guards.

Captain Elmer Leithelzer withheld the news of the "escape" for some hours until a thorough search of the grounds and buildings had been made. The unusual hiding place in the boiler had eluded the guards who searched that portion of the building.

The escapees admitted they broke out of their cells at 11:30 o'clock Saturday night after completing all preparations. They were at large in the prison yard until 3:30 a. m. Sunday when they were spotted near the wall with a pipe ladder by Guard Harry Fell. Then they fled to the powerhouse where they hid in an unused boiler until Monday night.

After breaking from their cells, the pair covered themselves with blankets and crawled to the south wall in the rear of the powerhouse and coupled together two pieces of pipe, previously smuggled to that location.

Gridley was the first to ascend the pipe, but with freedom in sight, the pipe broke. They returned to the powerhouse for more pipe, and were on their way back to the wall when Fell saw them.

AUTOPSY ORDERED IN DEATH OF 3-MONTH-OLD OAKS CHILD

Richard Waters, three-months-old son of Mr and Mrs Reese Waters, Oaks, died in the Montgomery Hospital on Saturday morning just a few hours after being admitted. According to information furnished the Coroner, the child died of malnutrition, although an autopsy was ordered to determine the cause. There are five other small children in the family.

INJURED IN AUTO MISHAP

Arthur Houck, 24, of Perkiomenville, suffered a fractured arm last Friday evening when he was struck by a car operated by Howard Wittrock, of Graterford. Houck was walking along the Gravel Pike, Collegeville, just above the Collegeville Mills when the accident occurred. According to reports, he evidently walked into the side of the car. He was taken to the Montgomery Hospital for treatment.

GRANGE COMMITTEE REPORTS ON ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR

The annual report of the Home Economics Committee of the Keystone Grange was made at the meeting of the Grange this week.

The submitted report showed that the members of the committee sent 37 boxes of salvage materials, made over garments and ambulance pillows to the British War Relief Society, of Philadelphia. There were 38 afghans, a number of bedside bags, hospital slippers, place mats, books and plants dispatched to the Valley Forge General Hospital at Phoenixville.

Other activities during the year included the collection of costume jewelry for Baubles for Barter, three sweaters knit for men in the service, eight Christmas boxes sent and numerous greeting cards.

The committee pointed out that the success of the various drives was made possible by the cooperation of the members of the Grange and their friends throughout the community.

C-T Teams Defeat West Pottsgrove

Boys Win 34-23, Girls Have Easy Win, 44-6; To Play Schwenksville High on Friday Evening Here

The Collegeville-Trappe basketball squads defeated the West Pottsgrove High School squads at West Pottsgrove on Friday evening. The boys took the lead from the opening whistle and were never threatened for the balance of the game. The final score, 34-23. The C-T girls swamped the West Pottsgrove team as they rolled up a total of 44 points while holding the opponents to 6 lone points.

Both the boys and girls team met Schwenksville High School on Friday evening on the C-T court. The game promises to be an interesting one since both teams are traditional rivals in all sports.

Mathieu and McManus stood out in the play by gathering a total of 23 points between them. Mathieu, C-T guard, had 13 points and was individual high scorer of the game. McManus had 10 points.

(Continued on page 3)

BURGESS CALLS FOR AID IN FAT SALVAGE CAMPAIGN

I have been asked to pledge the co-operation of my office as Burgess of Collegeville, with the Fat Salvage program of the Council of Defense.

Fats are vital materials of War. Just a few facts will illustrate how vital fats are. One pound of fat not saved will deprive a soldier on the battlefield of one hundred and fifty (150) machine gun bullets. Five pounds of fat not saved will deprive a sailor fighting submarines of a hundred pound depth bomb charge.

The residents of the Borough of Collegeville have cooperated wholeheartedly in the past as evidenced by their work in the Salvage Campaign. However, the quota for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been set at 1,500,000 pounds per month and throughout the State, the collections have only been about one-third of that amount.

May I urge you to continue on in this vitally important work. There is no valid reason for any member of our community to possess a failing interest in this activity. There is work for all of us to do. Because of the dislocation of normal activities and the constant threat and uncertainty of War it becomes necessary that every person co-operate in this campaign.

Remember that the housewife is being paid four cents (4c) per pound in cash and is given two (2) meat ration points for every pound of used household fat she takes to her meat dealer. The four cents are paid by industries and the ration points are given by our Government.

ARNOLD H. FRANCIS

Burgess, Borough of Collegeville

GRATERFORD MAN JAILED FOR LOOTING 35 VALLEY HOMES

James P. Cole, 27, of Graterford, was sentenced to a term of three to six years in the Eastern State Penitentiary by Judge Harold G. Knight for looting some 35 summer bungalows in the area from Collegeville to Schwenksville. Cole was apprehended last week while leaving a bungalow at Graterford with a stolen radio and suitcase. The suitcase contained many small articles from the bungalow.

When arrested, Cole readily admitted having looted at least 35 bungalows over a period of several months. He told police that he was going to Philadelphia to pawn the stolen articles when he was caught. He gave his address as Dayton, Ohio.

BOYER SCHOOL PTA TO GIVE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Henry K. Boyer School will hold their regular session next Wednesday evening, February 2, at 8 p. m. The program has been arranged for the benefit of the children. Members of the association will act out short playlets, etc., for the entertainment of the kiddies. All children are invited to attend the session at the school house.

FILES SUIT FOR DIVORCE

Alleging that her husband, Jacob R. Hallman, was sentenced to a minimum of 17 years on May 2, 1932 in Chester County after his conviction on charges of burglary and assault with intent to kill, Susan A. Hallman, Upper Providence, has filed suit for divorce in the Montgomery County Courts through Attorney Franklin C. Hutchinson. They were married September 30, 1916. Mrs Hallman also alleged desertion February 15, 1931.

Never take counsel of your fears.

—Jackson

About People You Know in Trappe

Grove Buys Boettger Property

Mr and Mrs Otto Boettger have sold their property on Main Street to Mr and Mrs William Grove. Mr and Mrs Boettger are planning to move into their newly purchased home on Walnut Street in Royersford at the end of the month.

To Collect Scrap Paper

As you know, there is an acute shortage of paper. You can help alleviate this condition by saving your waste paper for collection.

The Boy Scouts of Troop 1, Trappe, have volunteered to make a collection on Saturday, January 29. If you wish to make a worthwhile contribution to the war effort and at the same time help the Boy Scouts, have your waste paper ready for collection at that time. Let any of the Trappe scouts know that you will have salvaged scrap paper for them.

Mr and Mrs Earl Ettinger and daughter, of Norristown, visited Mr and Mrs Warren Foley on Sunday.

Mr H. D. Allebach, Harold Allebach and E. P. Bechtel attended the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association at Harrisburg, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Miss Audrey Poley entertained at her home on Greenwood Avenue, on Saturday. The following were present: Bernice Sneyble, of Ursinus College and Marjorie Sprague and Lola Inel, of Philadelphia.

Miss Charlotte Witmer, who is employed as a chemist with the Gulf Refining Company, of Philadelphia, spent the weekend with her parents, Prof and Mrs M. W. Witmer.

Mrs Fred O. Young, of Lansdale, is spending a few days at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Durrell Cooper.

Lieutenant Claude B. Lacey's address has been changed to the following: Fighter Training Center, A.P.O. 762, c/o Postmaster, New York City. Lacey completed his fighter pilot training several

(Continued on page 6)

Rambling at Random

with JAY HOWARD

The winter is half gone — and still no snow of any account — and it suits most of us perfectly.

When those two "escaped" convicts were found hiding in the powerhouse at the Penitentiary Monday morning it created an embarrassing situation for the guards — but not as embarrassing as if they had really scaled the wall — especially for the guards whose duty it is to watch that wall.

Every citizen of Collegeville should be interested in the Auditors' Statement as published in the classified section of this issue. Our Town Councilmen are to be complimented for their good house-keeping based on the pay-as-you-go system with no short term loans.

Both the collection of current 1943 taxes and the delinquent taxes of prior years was remarkable — best in the history of the borough. The water works showed a very healthy profit — with wise development for the future — this profit almost covers half of the running expenses of the borough. Our streets have been kept in good condition at a minimum cost — thanks to the wisdom of prior years which took advantage of County and State aid.

Fines dropped from the customary average of \$1000 or better to \$71 — since the State Police are now operating wider afield and have left local law enforcement more or less to the Borough officer. Of course, the drop in auto traffic, due to gas rationing, also has affected this source of income. However, at best, fines are a questionable source of income.

Incidentally the job of auditing has tripled since the advent of the Water Works, along with the growth of the borough since that time.

Whether they all attended the funeral we do not know; but there were 214 survivors who mourned the passing of "grandmother" Mrs Louise Muddle, 89 years, of Decatur, Ill., last month. There were 2 sons, 8 daughters, 70 grandchildren, 128 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren. We do know that if they all followed the old-fashioned custom of going back to the house to express sympathy and eat lunch — if so it took quite a few ration stamps for the prunes and cold meat.

(Continued on page 5)

(Since 1875)

THE INDEPENDENT

COLLEGEVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA

Published every Thursday

PAUL W. LEVENGOOD, Editor and Publisher

Subscription — By Mail, in Advance, \$2.00 year

Entered as second class matter in the Post Office at Collegeville, Pennsylvania, under the Act of March 3, 1879.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1944

ONE MINUTE EDITORIALS

Collegeville's Lloyd H. Wood has been appointed to the post of Solicitor in the office of the Register of Wills in the court house at Norristown. It marks the first office to which Wood was appointed although he did yeoman service in the ranks of Republican workers and as chairman of the Republican County Committee. He richly deserves the appointment.

Not only has he worked hard for the welfare of his party, he has been a power in the state. His hard work has won him the confidence of the people, the respect of his colleagues in the practice of law and his associates at the State Assembly at Harrisburg.

The Fourth War Loan drive is on and we make this suggestion to every one of the people in this district: Buy a bond to help some young man in your family or in your immediate neighborhood. Back up the boys with something more than idle wishes for success. The sacrifice which you are asked to make to back up these boys is very small compared to the sacrifice these boys are asked to make. Do without some purchase to double your bond buying during this drive.

Your dollars in bonds do double duty. Every dollar in bonds now helps to combat inflation as well as its primary objective of backing up the boys to help win the war quickly.

The dollars you put into bonds now will come back with interest in a few years. And they'll come in mighty handy in ten years.

Anticipation of an early attack on Hitler's Fortress Europe has nearly everyone guessing—including Hitler himself. Eisenhower's recent prediction that the war in Europe will end this year means that we will probably have to make an early attack. Air power has done much to pulverize the production capacities of the Reich. But it remains that we will need to attack directly with our forces in order to seal his doom. The people who claim to know intimate that the attack will probably come in February. But that's a guess at best—you can expect it at any time.

Interest on our national debt runs to about five billion dollars a year. Private business, Paul Mallon points out in a recent column, will need to go on at a great pace in order to finance this great interest burden. Amortization will take many billions more per year and will leave us with annual headaches of considerable size every year about March 15. It is certain that the New Deal has proved that spending is not the way out of any dilemma. The interest payments per year amounts to just about \$40 for every man, woman and child in the country.

Willkie is currently engaged in an invasion of his own—a tour of the middle West. He hopes to cut down the growing strength of New York's Governor Dewey by this tour. But we doubt that he can ever accomplish that end in the time which remains until the party convention in June. Willkie has good stage managers but Dewey's advisors are not too dumb, themselves. For our money it's Dewey who will carry the G.O.P. banner in 1944.

We can't reconcile the announcement by the Governor of Vermont with our idea of the Yankee "spirit." When Vermont's Governor Willis says that Willkie can be elected over any Democrat choice we don't rush in to concur with his feelings. Willkie has many fine attributes but for our money, he is not the man in 1944.

So far we have heard very little in the way of predicting the end of the war in the Pacific. Seems that everyone is engaged in soothing saying the end of the European conflict. Premier Tojo declared recently that the outcome of the war in the Pacific would depend upon air power. But he said not a word about the necessity of a strong naval power to take supplies to his centers of air power. Tonnage losses—which Japan is not in a position to replace on a scale even remotely compared to ours—will help ring down curtains for the little yellow men.

A pay-as-you-go policy is our suggestion for a best post-war policy. It seems to be the ideal of just about every decent family that we know and certainly works for most everyone who tries it in private life. No reason why it shouldn't work in government to the best interests of all of us.

NEWS OF 10 AND 25 YEARS AGO

February 1, 1934

Fenimore Quay was stricken with appendicitis last week and was rushed to the hospital for an emergency operation.

The old Temple Garage at the Freeland House, Collegeville, has been leased to two Pottstown men and will be operated as a Chevrolet garage. The firm name will be Young and Evans.

Clarence Emswiler, 20, and Ruth Panoast, 15, both of whom live near Royersford, eloped to Belair, Maryland and were married. Parents of the girl spent an anxious 24 hours because she told them that she planned to attend a roller skating party.

Rev F. S. Ballentine, Evansburg, spent a week in New York City.

Nelson Bortz, Collegeville, has resumed his job as instructor at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute for the second semester.

The electric gasoline pump in front of Clamer's hardware store was wrecked by a coal truck. The driver said that a spring had snapped but he was interrogated because there was some cause to believe that he fell asleep at the wheel.

The engagement of Miss Verna Wismer, of Trappe, to Howard Rowan, Jeffersonville, was announced by Miss Wismer's parents this week.

Dr G. L. Omwake has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Pennsylvania Association of College Presidents.

The Upper Providence Home and School Association is sponsoring a play, "Here Comes Lizzie," tonight and tomorrow.

Franklin Price, Oaks, left for a trip to Florida where he will stay for the winter months.

WILL ASSIST TAXPAYERS

A deputy collector of internal revenue will be at the Collegeville National Bank on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 7, 8, and 9, to assist taxpayers in preparing 1943 income tax returns.

January 30, 1919

Dr J. S. Miller, a native of Port Clinton, is coming to town and will open an office and begin the practice of medicine here.

The Senior class of the Collegeville High School presented their class play, "Valley Farm," in the high school auditorium on Saturday evening and will repeat the performance at the Trooper school next Saturday. In the cast are: Siegfried Baden, Daniel Ludwig, Alan Hughes, Michael Bilet, Oscar Johnson, Margaret Allebach, Mae Hunsicker, Florence Fegely, Helen Alderfer, Rita Strauss, Ethel Ruth, and Edna Garrett.

I. T. Haldeman, representative to the State Legislature from this district, was appointed to the chairmanship of the Elections Committee of that body by the speaker of the House.

Frank Hunsberger, Trappe, had the misfortune to break an arm when he fell at the Buckwalter Stove Works in Royersford.

A violent windstorm wrecked a part of the roof of the Brownback's Reformed Church at Linfield.

The Hon. I. C. Williams will speak at Oaks on Friday evening on the topic, "Restoration of Our Forests."

Walnut trees are in great demand. Everyone will be planting that species this Spring, according to reports.

The Hon. Henry K. Boyer, Evansburg, has been appointed an honorary delegate for a League of Nations to be held at Atlantic City under the auspices of the League to Enforce Peace.

Rev S. O. Perry, Lower Providence Township, died after an attack of vertigo at the age of 88.

DITTER MEMORIAL DEDICATED

The J. William Ditter Memorial Chapel at the Willow Grove Naval Air Station was dedicated on Sunday in honor of the late Congressman from this district. Ditter was instrumental in getting funds for the construction of the building.

C-T Teams Defeat West Pottsgrove

(Continued from page 1)

Boys' Game

C-T	G.	F.	P.
Moyer, f	1	2	4
McManus, f	4	2	10
Poley, c	2	0	4
Mathieu, g	6	1	13
Ashenfelter, g	1	1	3
Crist, f	0	0	0
Stringer, c	0	0	0
VonPoppen, g	0	0	0
Litka, f	0	0	0
Bechtel, f	0	0	0
Totals	14	6	34

West Pottsgrove	G.	F.	P.
R. Gofus, f	4	1	9
Klapotsky, f	2	0	4
P. Gofus, c	2	2	6
Heydt, g	0	0	0
Mariana, g	1	2	4
Totals	9	5	23

C-T	G.	F.	P.
West Pottsgrove	14	9	10-34
Referee: Schrack.	5	5	4-23

Girls' Game

Coach Sara Hallman's team scored almost at will against the West Pottsgrove girls. Connie Warren had nine field goals for a total of 18 points, Edith Hess had six field goals and one successful foul try for 13 points. Rita McManus, Olga Mowers, Lois Hall, and Madeline Pifer, also had scores. During the second period the C-T girls scored 21 points while holding their opponents scoreless.

C-T	G.	F.	P.
Warren, f	9	0	18
McManus, f	2	0	4
Hess, f	6	1	13
Moser, f	1	0	2
Pifer, f	1	0	2
Hall, f	2	0	4
Moyer, g	0	0	0
Moore, g	0	0	0
Miller, g	0	0	0
Totals	21	2	44

West Pottsgrove	G.	F.	P.
Hartman, f	1	2	4
Fry, f	0	0	0
DeMario, f	1	0	2
Breslawski, f	0	0	0
Colatosti, g	0	0	0
Groover, g	0	0	0
Augustine, g	0	0	0
Totals	2	2	6

C-T	G.	F.	P.
West Pottsgrove	8	21	4-11-44
C-T substitutes: Pfleger, Manning, Hancock, Graber.	2	0	4-0-6

Schwenksville boys upset the league leading Royersford team at Schwenksville on Tuesday evening, 28-24.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Want a New Career?

YOU CAN very likely find just the chance you're looking for—in the WAC.

If you haven't a skill, Army experts will teach you. Perhaps you'd like to drive a jeep, work a teletype machine, or help direct airplane traffic.

Whatever you do, you will get valuable training—learn interesting things—and help get this war won!

TODAY—get full details at the nearest U. S. Army Recruiting Station (your local post office will give you the address). Or write: The Adjutant General, Room 4415, Munitions Building, Washington, D. C.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★



The kind of wave you've dreamed about, longed for. Lustrous! Shining! Alive! Soft. Thrilling to be looked at, talked about, and envied by all.

COLLEGEVILLE BEAUTY SHOP

424 Chestnut St.
Phone 4971 Iona Schatz

RETIREMENT PAY APPROVED FOR COUNTY EX-OFFICIALS

Resolutions approving the start of pension payments from the Montgomery County Retirement Fund to Paul G. Hunsberger, of Gilbertsville, and three other veteran employees were approved by the Retirement board.

Mr Hunsberger, who was clerk of courts for 16 years, will receive a pension of \$494.04 per year. R. Ronald Dettre, long time county employee, will get an annual pension of \$1,209.36.

Miss Mary Cleaver, deputy clerk of courts, will receive \$710.88 annually and John Granel, recorder of deeds clerk, \$624.60.

Factors entering into the fixing of the amounts include age (60 being retirement age), years of service and average salary for last five years. All payments were figured on the basis of involuntary retirement.

STEP-CHILDREN GET ESTATE

Benjamin F. Reiff, Upper Providence, bequeathed an estate valued at \$7,000 in varying shares to three step children, according to terms of his will filed for probate this week in the office of Register of Wills Mary H. Beerer. A step-daughter, Edith Shirley Warren is given a property, valued at \$5,000, located at 18 N. Wakefield Road, Norristown; his automobile is given a step-son, Wilfred Warren and his carpenter tools to a step-son, Harold Warren.

DO YOU EVER THINK ABOUT THE FACT

that your home town Insurance Company has an A plus Rating . . . has paid all loss claims for 70 years That it can save you 20% of your insurance costs.

Why not ask for a PERKIOMEN POLICY?

Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Co.
Assets Over \$200,000



We stand ready to serve you with all of your needs for Lumber, Coal, Feed, and Building Materials.

W. H. GRISTOCK'S SONS
COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

Lumber — Coal — Feed
Builders' Supplies



Nelson's PURE MILK AND DAIRY PRODUCTS



Served daily by our route drivers through this area and in leading retail stores.

Try Nelson's Ice Cream—made in our own modern plant.

J. Arthur Nelson
ROYERSFORD, PA.

Stop Driver or Phone 512

ABOUT "those other people on your party line..."



They ought to make sure the line is not busy before they place a call.

They ought to be careful not to interrupt if the line is being used.

They ought to keep calls brief.

They ought to provide an "intermission" when making a series of calls.

They ought to answer their calls promptly.

P. S.—Don't forget that YOU are "the other people" to them.

THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF PENNSYLVANIA

MOVE TO CREAMERY HOME

Mr and Mrs Isaac S. Kulp, who lived on their farm on the Rahns-Creamery road for the past 30 years moved last week to their home in Creamery.

Lower Providence Baptist Church

Eagleville, Rev. James H. Carter, minister.

9:30 Church School, 10:45 Church Worship with sermon: "A Victorious Word." Anthem, "The Sacred Morn Has Passed Away," by Woodward. At 7:45 the Christian Endeavor meets with Chester Reifinger, leader. On Tuesday evening the Busy Bee Class will meet at the home of Miss Grace Clark.

A subscription to The Independent is \$2.00 well invested.

Buy War Bonds
(A Bond for every seat)

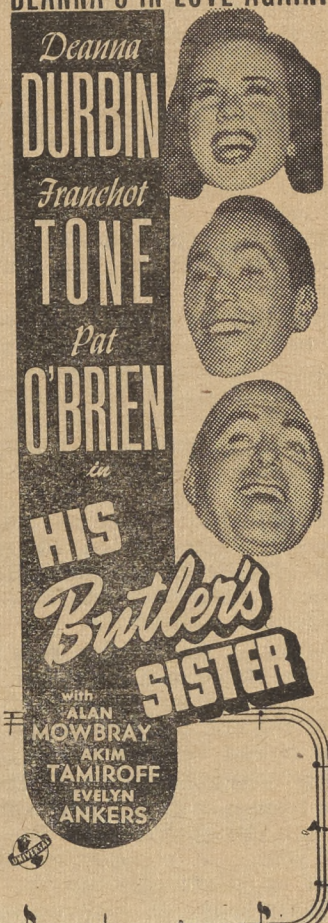
NORRIS

Norristown

FRIDAY

SAT. Continuous & MONDAY

DEANNA'S IN LOVE AGAIN!



GRAND

Norristown

TO-DAY, FRIDAY

and SAT. continuous

Oh, Brother! Don't Miss THIS Coming-Out Party!



THE EAST SIDE KIDS

"Mr. MUGGS STEPS OUT"

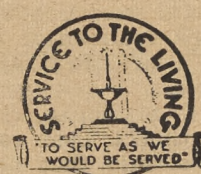
LEO GORCEY - HUNTZ HALL
GABRIEL DELL - BILLY BENEDICT
JOAN MARSH

MONOGRAM PICTURE

A PUBLIC SERVICE

Should meet the Highest Standards of the People who use it.

Our Funeral Service meets the needs of quality-minded people. It is a truly personal service. Prices are reasonable. A comprehensive price range conforms to all needs. Our experienced advice helps each family to arrange for a funeral at a price in keeping with its plans.



Boyd Funeral Home
348 MAIN STREET • PHONE 5121
COLLEGEVILLE

After Shopping — Before the Movies

Dine at . . .

Pottstown's Finest RESTAURANT

265 Beech Street

and enjoy

FOOD THAT'S TASTY



You can't eat a Good Breakfast "On the Run!"

A sip of coffee and a bite of bun, by no stretch of the imagination can be considered a good breakfast. Nutritionally speaking, you miss the bus every time you skip or skimp on your morning meal. And besides, a hearty breakfast will change that morning grouch to a grin in no time flat.

So, for your health's sake, eat a breakfast that has eye appeal, full flavor and enough proteins, minerals, vitamins and calories. Get the right answers from that helpful folder, "What to Eat for Breakfast."

A visit or a post card—sent to our nearest office will bring your free copy pronto!



PHILADELPHIA ELECTRIC COMPANY

Do Not Waste Electricity Just Because It Is Not Rationed

This is 1944!

WHAT WILL YOU DO TO MAKE IT THE VICTORY YEAR?



The Goal - VICTORY



The Place - EUROPE



The Time - THIS YEAR



The Responsibility - YOURS

World's Safest Investments

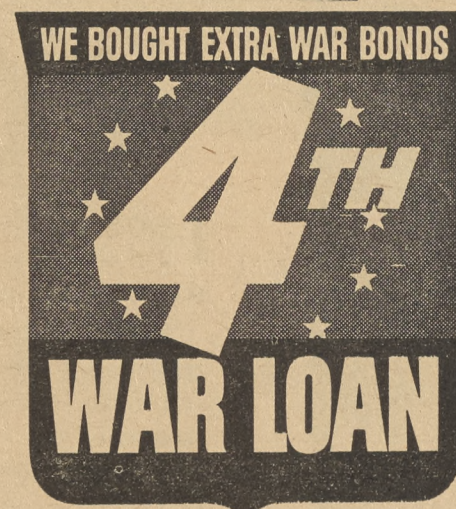
UNITED STATES WAR SAVINGS BONDS
—SERIES E: Interest: 2.9% a year, compounded semi-annually, if held to maturity. Denominations: \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500, \$1,000. Price: 75% of maturity value.

2½% TREASURY BONDS OF 1965-1970: readily marketable, acceptable as bank collateral, redeemable at par and accrued interest for the purpose of satisfying Federal estate taxes. Dated February 1, 1944; due March 15, 1970. Denominations: \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000, \$100,000 and \$1,000,000. Price: par and accrued interest.

OTHER SECURITIES: Series "C" Savings Notes; 7½% Certificates of Indebtedness; 2½% Treasury Bonds of 1956-1959; United States Savings Bonds Series "F"; United States Savings Bonds Series "G".

YOU KNOW that this year may bring great victories—if every American, civilian as well as soldier, stands loyally at his or her post. And, whatever else your duties may call for, there is one job that concerns every citizen—that **concerns you:** That is to help make 1944 one of the decisive years of human history. So make whatever sacrifice may be necessary to help make the 4th War Loan Drive the success it must be if we are to realize our great objectives **this year.**

Ask yourself honestly—how much of a sacrifice is it to give up some luxury just temporarily in order to buy the best investments in the world? When you've answered that question, buy at least one extra \$100 Bond now—at your office or plant, if possible. And if you've already bought, buy again this month—and keep 'em!



This sticker in your window means you have bought 4th War Loan securities.

Let's All BACK THE ATTACK!

The seventh in a series of advertisements sponsored by Superior Tube Company and dedicated to the former men of Superior who are now serving in the armed forces. Included in the group are the men listed below. More names will follow in subsequent advertisements.

Lt. Claude B. Lacey
A.P.O. 12631
c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Cpl. John N. Nyce, 13113909
77th Bomb. Squadron (M)
A.P.O. 986
c/o Postmaster
Seattle, Washington

Pvt. James H. Nesbitt, 33589634
Co. C, 8th Bn., 1st Repl. Depot
A.P.O. 15018
c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Francis G. Moser, S2/c
105 N.C.B., Co. C-1
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, Calif.

Pfc. Joseph O'Neill, 33473209
Co. H., 333 Infantry
A.P.O. 84
Camp Clayborne, Louisiana

A/S Charles Palmer, 33832567
Box 221
Wofford College
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Pfc. Raymond G. Rock, 33608901
Battery B, 509th A.A.A. Gun. Bn.
Camp Edwards (Semi), Mass.

Lt. Gerald E. Poley
O-1591374 QMC
General Depot G 20
A.P.O. 513
c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Walter Phillips
Admiral Hotel
Cape May, New Jersey

Charles Priest, A.S.
Co. 326, Unit E.
U.S.N.T.S.
Sampson, New York

Pvt. Clifford H. Reinhart
Platoon 758, Recruit Depot
Parris Island, South Carolina

Ensign Warren H. Richards
U.S.S. Marcasite
c/o Fleet Post Office
San Francisco, California

SUPERIOR TUBE COMPANY, Collegeville, Pa.

You Bet we'll meet our Plant Quota IN THE 4TH WAR LOAN



Do your part... put your name down for an

EXTRA War Bond Now!



Display Your Colors

Invest to the limit in 4th War Loan Bonds—and display this red, white and blue emblem in your window to show you're proud of doing your part!

HATS OFF to America's workers who are meeting their quotas in the production drive . . . and in the 4th War Loan Drive, too!

The Axis has already felt the power of their production might. As Premier Stalin has said, "Without American machines the United Nations never could have won the war."

But we've still got a long way to go. That's why your Government calls upon you once again to match the power of your production effort with your *investment* in the 4th War Loan.

Your plant can't meet its quota unless you meet *yours*.

And that means you must buy *extra* Bonds, in addition to your regular War Bond subscription through payroll deductions. You're asked to invest—to *SAVE* for your future, for your family, for security—in the safest and most patriotic way in the world. Bonds of Series E held to maturity will give you back \$100 for every \$75 you invest now!

Suppose it *does* mean some personal self-denial; it also means nothing less than *keeping your America free!* That's worth investing for—*every* dollar you can—\$200—\$300—or more!

Do *your* part—sign up *now* for *all* the Bonds you can possibly buy—and keep 'em!

Build your future with the World's Safest Investment

All over the country men and women look to the future with confidence. They are the ones who have put part of their extra wartime earnings into the world's safest investment—U.S. Government War Bonds.

Yes, they are helping their country in its grimmest struggle. But they are helping themselves, too! They are helping to secure their future, to weather any troubled days that may lie ahead.

What about *you*? Are you letting the dollars slip through your fingers—dollars that should be put safely away in War Bonds?

There are War Bonds to fit your needs . . . Bonds that are backed up by the strongest "company" in the world. Build that home you have always dreamed about. Send your child to college. Buy the wonderful things that are coming after the war. **YOU CAN DO IT WITH YOUR WAR BOND SAVINGS.**

Let's All BACK THE ATTACK!

SYNTHANE CORP.

OAKS, PENNA.

NEWS OF LOCAL MEN AND WOMEN IN OUR NATION'S

VICTORY PARADE

ARMY — NAVY — MARINES — WAVES — WAACS — SPARS

Lieutenant Louis E. Waldo is now located at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He had been stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C., for some time. His new address is: 3538th Ord. Main. Co., Fort Bragg.

Pfc Wilbur Myers has been assigned a new A.P.O. number out of San Francisco. His new address: Co. 1, 368th Inf., A.P.O. 9463, San Francisco.

Private Hubert M. Plush, who left for duty with the Army with the last group of inductees to leave here, arrived last week in Florida. His address there is Co. C, 1st Bn., 534th E. B. & S. R., Camp Gordon, Johnston, Florida.

Ensign Arcola Woelfel USNR, of the Nurses Corps, is at Portsmouth, Virginia, where friends may address her at N-5, Norfolk Naval Hospital.

Private Harold B. Weber, who was recently inducted into the service, is confined to the Station Hospital at New Cumberland recovering from an operation. Weber was formerly employed at the Collegeville National Bank.

T/Sgt Owen F. Seibert, son of Mr and Mrs Howard S. Seibert, Second Avenue, Collegeville, has been promoted to the rank of Master Sergeant and assigned to the 82nd Finance Disbursing Section, Camp Stewart, Ga. He has completed 2 and one-half years of service in the Army.

Pvt William Kratz, Park Avenue, Collegeville, has arrived safely "somewhere in North Africa." His address is: Btry. C, 910th F.A. Bn., A.P.O. 85-B, c/o Postmaster, New York City.

Corporal Lloyd T. Hallman, who is located in England with the U.S. Army, writes about the big Christmas dinner the boys were served there. Just like home—with turkey, filling, cranberry sauce and all the fixings. A pack of smokes to every man who wanted them topped off the meal. A Christmas service was held in the chapel at his location and the boys got together to sing

the old familiar carols. The chaplain took several of the fellows out to services in civilian churches around the post and Hallman writes that it was a real treat to be among the fortunate few.

Hallman and his company are now stationed in barracks. "It sure is a lot better than the old pup tents although the tents aren't so bad in the good old summertime." Paul Dry and Cy Donahue, both Trappe boys, are also located near the camp, according to the writer.

Corporal Earl Scheffey pens a note from Luke Field, Phoenix, Arizona. Scheffey says that General Arnold was due to stop at the field some day shortly after writing his letter. He has seen half a dozen other Generals and numerous other bigwigs who have landed at the field since he was stationed there. Everyone is ready for any kind of inspection when the top-rank officers are due at the camp. He also met the author of the book, "God Is My Co-Pilot," and had a chat with him.

Being an ardent member of the Odd Fellows, Earl takes time whenever possible to visit lodges in that part of the country. He also attends services at the post chapel. The Chaplain, a descendant of Robert Morris, financier of the American Revolution, will dedicate a picture of George Washington in a frame of wood made from the famous Washington chestnut tree from Valley Forge. Scheffey was instrumental in getting the wood for the frame from Morris Barr of near Kimberton.

Aviation Cadet Richard C. Harley has completed basic training at Sherman, Texas, and has been transferred to Advanced Flying School, Eagle Pass, Texas. He says that snow has fallen there for the first time in 4 years. His new address is: A/C Richard C. Harley, 13178408, Class 44-C, Sqd. 8, E.P. A.A.F., Eagle Pass, Texas.

Privates Floyd D. Mulford, Alfred Davis and Willis Dewane are at home on furlough after completing their basic training at Camp Panin, Texas.

RAMBLING AT RANDOM

(Continued from page 1)

The draft boards certainly poked into a hornets' nest when they started calling up married men with children of school age recently. Practically eight out of every ten people one talks with these days goes into a harangue of righteous indignation against this move. It is feared this breaking up of homes, which deprives the children of a father's discipline and companionship, will have a serious effect on the future of our country. Of course, the same can be said (much more so) of the mothers who have allowed themselves to be enticed into defense plants to the detriment of their "orphaned" little ones at home. What's this country coming to? Does the situation warrant such extreme measures? We don't know, we are asking General Hershey and Mr McNutt.

What we need right now in this country are "child centers" for the care and protection of these children who are practically "orphaned" for the duration—if not thereafter. We might copy after Russia. If we remember correctly, several years ago we pointed with considerable derision at the "collective child centers" established by the Soviets to care for the children of parents who were absent either for several hours or for longer periods, because of industrial or military service.

Another batch of County employees went on the pension list last week. Now we hold no brief against pensioning the salaried workers in the Court House, who put in the best years of their life rushing around the Temple of Justice one jump ahead of the political scalper; but why pension elected officials (most of whom draw down from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year or better) at considerable expense to the taxpayers—after the taxpayers kick them out?

Lewis Woelfel, well-known Yerkes businessman and sportsman, who is on a trip to the Pacific Coast writes:

Altadena, Calif.
1/22/43

Dear Howard:

I presume you have seen by the paper that again California is boasting of 89 degrees — for the weather report. It really is warm here for January. On the way out I slept on top of a mountain—19 degrees below zero—at Wyoming. Everyone in the sleepers had only 2 blankets so you can see it was a little frosty. A train ahead had flat wheels—the reason for delay. The snow banks were 40 feet high in some of the drifts.

So far, here where I am staying, I go out into the back yard to pick lemons, oranges and tangerines. I am a California booster already. It is swell to have your own fruit in January. There are also some roses and poinsettias in bloom in the gardens. The last rain was about 3 weeks ago.

So far I have covered the territory around here pretty well—Long Beach, Riverside, Hollywood, Los Angeles, Mt. Wilson, etc. The gas rationing is better out here—average 60 miles a week.

Yours truly,
Lewis Woelfel

From The Philadelphia Evening Bulletin we learn that when Rev F. J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, and Military Vicar of the Armed Forces of the United States, docked at Diego Suarez, Madagascar, last July 4 he found only one other American at Suarez — Lt. George H. Bond, U. S. Navy, of Philadelphia and formerly of Collegeville. Members of the Bond family still retain a summer home here on Clahor road in the west end.

Editor's Note—Lieutenant Bond, 30, was U.S. liaison officer at the Diego Suarez Naval base, but has been transferred. He wrote his wife, Mary, 8620 Prospect Ave., Chestnut Hill, about Archbishop Spellman's visit. The Bonds have two children, Joan, five, and Michael, two.

Mrs William H. Perkins, 8216 Seminole Ave., Chestnut Hill, is Lieutenant Bond's sister. His parents, Mr and Mrs Charles O. Bond, are dead. The elder Bond was graduated from Annapolis, served in the Spanish-American War and later became director of research at the U.G.I. laboratory.

Bond entered the Naval Academy in 1930 at the age of 17. He weighed 225 pounds and was over six feet tall. He was graduated from Annapolis in 1934 and was called to active duty in January, 1942, while employed at the Electric Storage Battery Co., 19th St. and Allegheny Ave., as head of the Engineering Sales Division.

A graduate of Germantown High School, he has two brothers in the Navy: Commander Charles A. Bond, stationed at Clinton, Okla., and Lieutenant Conrad F. Bond, on duty here—from Evening Bulletin.

William Beecher, who is with the Navy Seabees, probably somewhere in the Pacific, should now be addressed at 17th Special N.C.B., Hq. Co., Platoon 2, care of the Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California. He was formerly at Port Sueneme, California, and took his boot training at Camp Peary, Va.

H. K. BOYER SCHOOL NEWS

Attired in the costume of the Chinese, Mrs Eugene Miller, of Collegeville, paid a visit to the Henry K. Boyer School and delivered a most interesting address on the life and customs of the people of China. Several of the pupils were attired in the native costumes and aided Mrs Miller in making her address more realistic.

On Tuesday afternoon Mr Jarrett, of the James Lees Woolen Mills gave an illustrated lecture entitled "Sheep to Yarn." This educational subject was also enjoyed by the pupils.

The final results in the Scrap Paper Drive at the school have been tabulated and the net proceeds from this project amount to \$54.66. The scrap paper brought in by each pupil was credited to his respective room and the proceeds distributed to each room accordingly, to be used for that particular room's benefit. Mrs Lutz's room collected the most paper, having 2001 lbs. The total number of pounds for the entire drive amounted to 9699 lbs.

J. C. MIDDLETON

ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS

"Better to know what it costs before you start"
Black Rock Road
COLLEGEVILLE, R. D. 1

THOS. H. PARKER, O.D.
CHARLES E. PARKER, O.D.
Optometrists
206 DeKalb Street, Norristown, Pa.

HELEN'S BEAUTY SHOPPE

11 Main St., Trappe

Phone 6341

Mrs. Helen Moyer, Prop.

I specialize in
Machine and Machineless
PERMANENT WAVING
A wave for all types of hair.

When you need an

ELECTRICIAN

Call

CHARLES J. SMEDLEY

Collegeville Phone 3091

Fourth War Loan

Solicitors for Trappe

MRS. SARA SMITH
MRS. MILDRED MOORE
FRANK HUNSBERGER
WILLIAM GROVE
WILLIAM LaROSE
IRVIN GROMIS
IRVIN WALKER
REV. ARTHUR C. OHL
CHARLES J. FRANKS

NEW RESTAURANT HOURS

Because of difficulty in obtaining help, we are obliged to close dining room service after 7 p. m. every day during the Winter months. New hours will be announced as soon as suitable arrangements can be made.

COMMERCIAL HOTEL

Collegeville

PAUL McCLURE

109 SECOND AVENUE

ANNOUNCES THE OPENING OF A
Plumbing and Heating Business
AT COLLEGEVILLE

and will appreciate your patronage

A registered plumber and steam fitter, qualified by years of experience in the trade in this community.

Phone Collegeville 6401 for prompt and efficient plumbing service.

Stop Us If You've
Heard This One

Certainly you've heard of January bargains . . . it's the month for them.

But, ladies and gentlemen, take it from your own men's store . . . there's only one bargain in America today and that is War Bonds.

Our reason for telling you this is your best reason for listening . . . We want to get back to normal again.

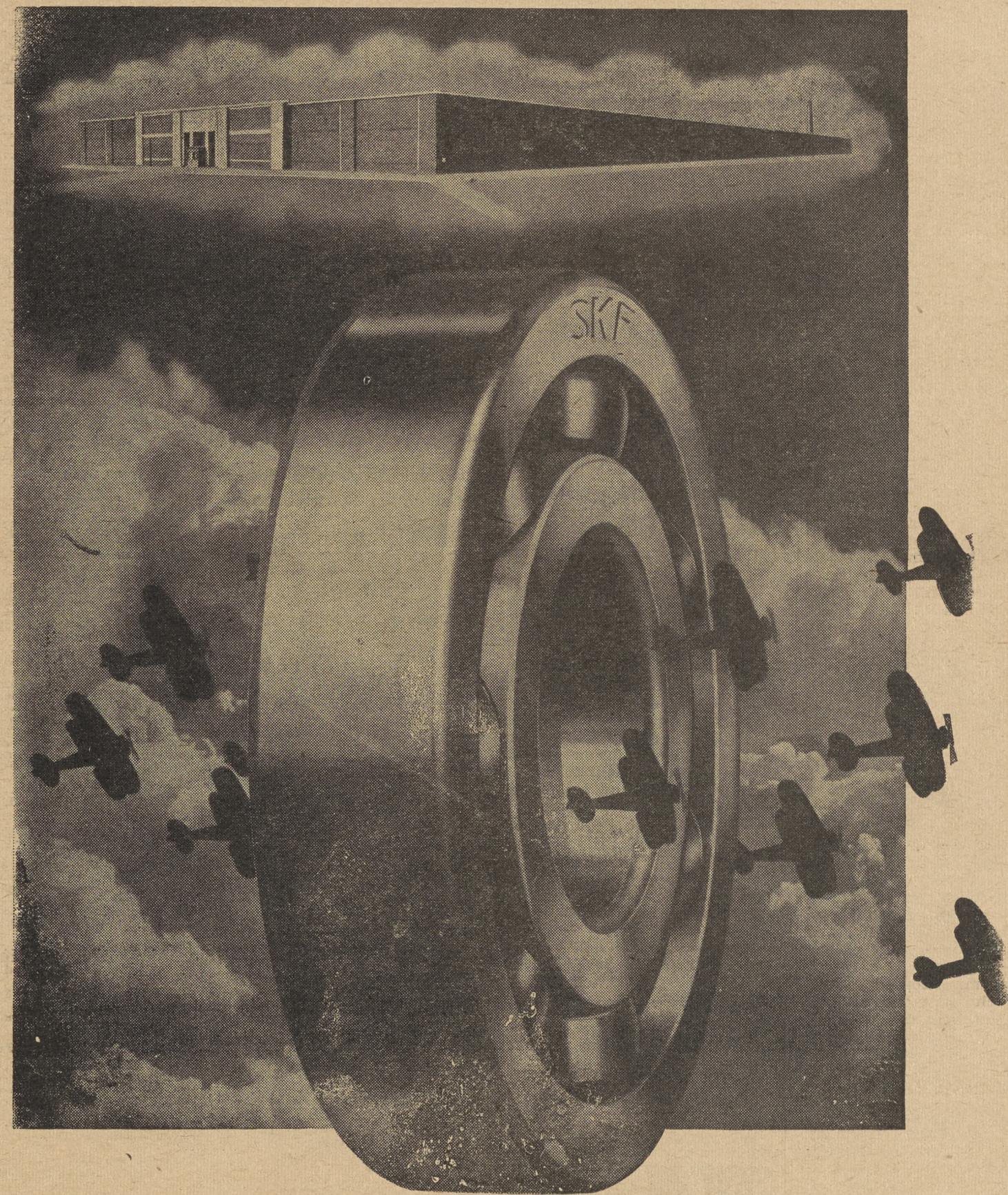
Let's wind it up this year.

★ ★ ★

MOSHEIM
CLOTHING CO.

207 HIGH STREET

POTTSTOWN



WHERE Air Superiority BEGINS

OFFICE AND FACTORY WORKERS NEEDED

Now!

A plane can't fly without bearings. Therefore, the more bearings, the more planes. When we have more planes than the enemy, we'll have air superiority . . . and not until then.

If you want to shorten the war, then work at SKF. Your little bit, added to the little bit of hundreds of other SKF employees, will be the deciding factor in the air war.

5502

SKF
A GOOD
PLACE TO
WORK

APPLY AT PLANT OR U.S. EMPLOYMENT OFFICE
Pleasant working conditions. Inexperienced employees well paid while learning. Essential workers will not be considered without a statement of availability.

SKF

GWYNEDD PLANT

EXPRESS
BUS SERVICE
TO SKF
PLANT

NEWS FROM TRAPPE

(Continued from page 1)

months ago and was shipped to North Africa just before Christmas. Cpl Stauffer Miller, who is with the infantry at Fort Meade, Md., spent the weekend with his wife, the former Miss Anne Cowan, of the Rambo apartments.

Chief Warrant Officer Lester Cox, of the U.S. Navy, visited his family for a few hours last Wednesday.

Mrs Maris Griffith, who has been ill for the past week, is better at this writing. Master Richard Griffith is spending sometime with his grandparents, Mr and Mrs I. R. Pike, Pottstown.

Visitors at the home of Mr and Mrs Harry Heany on Sunday were Mr and Mrs John Kessler, of Birch-runville. Mrs Kessler is the former Miss Florence Reilly.

Mr and Mrs S. Louis Cornish and son David were the dinner guests of Dr and Mrs Samuel D. Cornish, Collegeville, on Sunday.

Miss Nora Hilborn, who has been quite ill with the flu is able to be out again.

Miss Sue E. Fry and Ralph F. Wismer, Esq., visited Mrs Louis Wismer and Miss Anna Wismer, of Reading on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs J. Edwin Hartman, Barbara and Jackie and Mr and Mrs Gerald Gerhart visited Mr and Mrs James Walker, of Milbourne Gardens, Philadelphia, on Sunday.

Mr and Mrs Peter Spang, West Third Avenue, had as their guests on Sunday Mr and Mrs William Nagle and son, of Conshohocken.

Mr and Mrs George B. Pifer, Jr., and daughter, Pamela, spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Rev and Mrs George B. Pifer. Mr Pifer, Jr., is connected with the Maritime Service at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y.

The committee in charge of the local observance of "The World's Day of Prayer" will meet at the home of Mrs M. W. Witmer on Friday afternoon, Jan. 28. Representatives from the following churches comprise the committee: St. James' Evangelical and Reformed, Limerick; Trinity Evangelical and Reformed, Collegeville; St. Luke's Evangelical and Reformed, Trappe; St. James Lutheran, Limerick; Augustus Lutheran, Trappe; Evangelical Congregational, Trappe; St. James' Episcopal, Evansburg; and the YWCA of Ursinus College.

Mr and Mrs Gerald Gerhart, of Rambo apartments entertained at open house on Saturday evening the following guests: Mr and Mrs Gunnar Rambo, Mr and Mrs William Pass, Mr and Mrs Cyril Donahue, Mr and Mrs John C. Klauder and daughter Eleanor, Mrs Warren Grater, Mr and Mrs Clyde Whitman, Mr and Mrs Ronald Bloomer, Mrs Florence Leigl, Miss Joyce Leigl, Mr and Mrs Edward Rosser, Cpl and Mrs Stauffer Miller and Mr and Mrs J. Edwin Hartman.

Mr and Mrs William Miller, of Yorkes, were the Sunday supper guests of Mr and Mrs Earl W. Brunner.

Mr Charles Lloyd, of W. Philadelphia, visited Mr and Mrs John C. Klauder one day last week.

St. Luke's Evan. & Ref. Church
The regular Sunday morning service will be held at 10:30 a. m. The installation of the newly-elected officers will take place. Sunday School at 9:15 a. m. Youth Fellowship meeting at 7 p. m. Prayer Service at 7:45 p. m., subject, The Need of Evangelism.

Pvt J. Lattimer Hoopes was present at the church service and the Sunday school last Sunday, and gave a few remarks in the session of the school. Pvt Hoopes is stationed at Fort Dix, N. J., and is enjoying a 15-day furlough.

Augustus Lutheran Church
Sunday School session on Sunday, January 30, at 9 a. m. Regular worship service at 10:15 a. m. The Pastor's Aid Society will conduct a Mission Study class on Sunday evening at 7:30. The third chapter of "We Who Are America" written by Kenneth D. Miller, will be presented by Mrs Charles J. Franks. The devotions will be led by Mrs Earl B. Moyer.

Evangelical Congregational Church
Services for Sunday are as follows: Preaching Service at 10:30 a. m., Sunday School at 9:15 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, Feb. 2, at the home of Mr Samuel Brown, Collegeville R. D., at 7:45.

PHOENIXVILLE NEWSPAPERMAN BUYS STROUDSBURG DAILY

Edward J. Breece, editor and manager of The Phoenixville Daily Republican since 1924, has tendered his resignation effective March 1, 1944.

Mr Breece is going to Stroudsburg, Pa., where he has acquired controlling interest in the Monroe Publishing Company, which owns and operates The Record, a morning daily newspaper, and a commercial printing plant. Mr Breece will be publisher of the newspaper and will take over the direction of all the activities of the company.

In another interesting transaction, Charles Meredith, publisher of the Quakertown Free Press, acquired the Bangor (Pa.) Daily News. He took control of the newspaper last Monday.

ABOUT TOWN NOTES

(Continued from page 1)

Mr and Mrs William Simmons, of Trappe, were Sunday guests of Mr and Mrs A. B. Landis, of Rahns.

Miss Mary Ullman, of Park Avenue, daughter of Mr and Mrs George Ullman, was operated on for appendicitis over the weekend. Miss Ethel Stanruck, of Second Avenue, is a surgical patient in a Philadelphia hospital.

The C. I. C. class of Trinity Reformed Church will hold their January meeting tonight at the home of Mrs Claude Hunsicker with Mrs Henry Gennaria as co-hostess.

ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Germantown Pike and Evansburg Rd. The Rev. Edward Platts, vicar. Services for Sunday, Jan. 30, Fourth Sunday after Epiphany are as follows: Holy Communion at 8:00, Church School at 9:30, Morning Prayer and Sermon at 10:45. Friday, January 28, at Wagner's Market, Collegeville, the Women's Auxiliary is sponsoring a Bake Sale. You will find it worthwhile. For information regarding donations, etc., contact Mrs. W. Brosz, Collegeville 3382.

SALFORDVILLE NEWS

Mrs Myron Sterner was taken seriously ill on Tuesday.

Nellie Liliien, Woxall, who has a tenant house in this town, is rebuilding the home.

The auditors have examined the accounts of Montgomery Chamber No. 54, Knights of Friendship, for the term ending Dec. 31, 1943, and are happy to report that the audit shows a gain of \$114.46.

A large number of gripe cases are reported in this vicinity.

The Brotherhood, the Lutheran League and Missionary Societies held their meetings at the Old Goshenhoppen Lutheran Church on Wednesday evening.

BEARS BEAT MUHLBERG
The Bears made it three straight Wednesday night when they journeyed to Allentown and buried the Muhlenberg V-5 trainees under a 48-34 deluge.

This week the Bears play the Philadelphia Coast Guard. The next home game is a return engagement with Muhlenberg here on February 8.

OPA's RATION CALENDAR

Processed Foods—Green stamps G, H and J in Ration Book 4 will continue to be valid through February 20. K, L and M are now valid also and will expire on March 20.

Meats and Fats—Brown stamps R, S, T and U in Ration Book 3 expire January 29. V, now valid, expires February 26.

Sugar—Sugar stamp 30 in Ration Book 4 is good for 5 pounds thru the end of March.

Shoes—Stamp 18 in Ration Book 1 and Airplane stamp 1 in Ration Book 3, each valid for one pair of shoes, are valid indefinitely.

Fuel Oil—Period 2 and 3 coupons, good for 10 gallons per unit, are valid now. Period 2 coupons expire on February 7. Period 4 coupons become valid February 8.

Gasoline—Coupon 8 in the "A" book is valid for three gallons thru February 8. Coupon 9 becomes valid February 9 and continues valid through May 8. The value of coupon 9 has not been set.

To the People of this Community

YOU ARE IMPORTANT
There is no such thing as a "little" investment in the Fourth War Loan.

Your \$25 or \$50 or \$100 Extra War Bond may not have great importance in your mind in making up a 5% billion dollar total for individuals.

But multiply yourself by 130,000,000 and then you see in real perspective how truly great each citizen becomes in massing national strength against the Nazis and the Japs.

Capt. Maurice Witherspoon, Navy chaplain aboard the Carrier Wasp when she sank, tells of a rescued wounded sailor, who, as he regained consciousness, asked: "Did I do my best?"

That's the only question you, too, have to ask yourself when you decide the extent of your personal participation in the Fourth War Loan.

There undoubtedly will be large single purchases of War Bonds in this community, but yours—if it is "your best"—will deserve equally the red, white and blue shield you are privileged to display in the window of your home.

So "Let's All Back the Attack!"

THE EDITOR.

ATTORNEY AT LAW

WILLIAM J. GROVE
345 Main Street, Trappe, Pa.
Evenings except Friday
or by appointment
Phone: Collegeville 6151, Norristown 5253

DR. S. POLAK

OPTOMETRIST
Montgomery Trust Arcade
NORRISTOWN
Phone 195

CLASSIFIED SECTION

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Large barn, about 10,000 square feet lumber, fine big beams. Immediate possession. See it any time. GARRETT A. BROWNBACK, Linfield, Telephone Linfield 2381. 1-27-31

FOR SALE—Piano, in good condition, cheap. Apply 417 Main St., Trappe, Phone Coll. 4871. 1-27-31

FOR SALE—Universal electric range, like new. Apply evenings only to 14 Main Street, Trappe. 1-27-31

FOR SALE—2 Cocker Spaniel puppies, about six weeks old; one 8-month old, and the mature dog about 2 years old. All fine dogs, make ideal playmates for children. Apply FRANKLIN RAUB, Grange Ave., L. Prov. Twp. 1-20-31

FOR SALE—Seven cubic foot refrigerator, Hotpoint gas stove, in excellent condition. CLYDE WHITMAN, Collegeville American Store. 12-30-31

FOR SALE—BABY CHICKS, hatched every Monday, W. Leghorns, New Hampshire. Orders taken now guaranteed against advance, order early as the demand is going to be heavy. Send for our low prices. M. W. BENNETT, Royersford R. D. 1 Phone Coll. 5936 10-7-31

Cereals—Whole wheat flour, quick rolled oats, buckwheat flour, granulated or roasted corn meal, Topley's blended all-purpose flour, Boss Pie flour. Sanitation Products HTH, Chlorena, Pratts or Purina disinfectants. Poultry, swine and animal remedies. Baby Chick Food—Purina, Pratts or Ful-O-Pep. Oat hulls, crushed coals, or cut hay. Feed—Poultry, dogs, cows, rabbits, calves, swine, etc. COLLEGEVILLE MILLS, R. E. Miller, Mgr. 1-27-31

REAL ESTATE

FOR RENT—4-room apartment. Apply H. W. MATHIEU, 501 Swede Street, Norristown. 1-27-31

FOR RENT—Two homes in vicinity of Collegeville. For details call H. W. MATHIEU, Realtor, 501 Swede St., Norristown. 1-27-31

FOR SALE—Collegeville, 3 acres, 5-room house, bath, modern convs., garage, \$6,500. H. W. MATHIEU, Realtor, 501 Swede St., Norristown. 1-27-31

FOR SALE—2 acres, brick house, 8 rooms, all convs., chicken house, garage, service station on Main St., Trappe, good income property. Bargain at \$6,500. H. W. MATHIEU, Realtor, 501 Swede Street, Norristown. 1-27-31

FARMS FOR SALE
Easy to Buy—53 Acre Farm, near Ziegler, 100 ft. Rd. 73, secluded, 9 rm. house, bath & other bldgs. Lasting spring & woods. Immediate possession. Taxes \$42.50. \$5,000, easy terms. H. W. MATHIEU, REALTOR, Trappe Norristown 1-27-31

\$6500 to \$7500

The best will go first—so don't wait!

10—Small farms and homes, Collegeville, Norristown, Yerkes, Rahns.

1 to 5 acres—houses built of stone, frame or brick. All of them have conveniences.

H. W. MATHIEU

501 Swede St., Norristown

ESTATE NOTICE

ESTATE NOTICE—Estate of HARRY S. WHITMAN, late of Borough of Trappe, Montgomery County, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above Estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to Frank W. Shallop, 424 Main Street, Trappe, Collegeville, Pa., or his attorney Ralph F. Wismer, 501 Swede St., Norristown, Pa. 1-13-61

ESTATE NOTICE—Estate of JESSIE WATT JURY, late of Lower Providence Township, Montgomery County, deceased. Letters of administration on the above Estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims, to present the same without delay to Aviner W. Jury, Collegeville, Pa., R. D. or his attorney, Ralph F. Wismer, 501 Swede St., Norristown, Pa. 12-30-61

SERVICES OFFERED

Auto Glass—cut to size. Installed while you wait. C. C. BICKEL, Route 422, Douglassville, Pa. Pottstown 1685 10-7-31

HELP WANTED

FEMALE

HELP WANTED

• Office Workers

• Clerks

• Typists

Only limited experience is necessary.

WRITE

SYNTHANE CORP.
OAKS, PA.

For Honest, Conscientious Eye Service

DR. H. R. SHARLIP
OPTOMETRIST & OPTICIAN

209 W. Main Street
NORRISTOWN, PA.
Phone: Norristown 2594

Office Hours:
9:30 to 5:30, Daily
Friday & Saturday Even. until 9 P. M.
Close Thursday at Noon

For Sale Advertisements in The Independent bring quick results.

OBITUARY NOTICE

RUTH—In York, Pa., Jan. 25, 1944. JOSEPH A. husband of the late Ellen (Brooke) Ruth, Relatives and friends, also employees of the Synthane Corp. are invited to attend the services from the Boyd Funeral Home, 348 Main Street, Collegeville, on Friday, Jan. 28, at 10:30 a. m. Interment in Fernwood Cemetery, Royersford. Friends may call Thursday evening, 7 to 9.

WANTED

WANTED—Will buy certificate of membership to the Mingo Express Horse Company. Write details to BOX 42, THE INDEPENDENT. 1-20-31

WANTED—Cars and trucks for salvage and parts, unlimited number. C. C. BICKEL, Route 422, at Douglassville, Pa. Phone Pottstown 1685 10-7-31

AUDITORS' STATEMENT

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF OTTO A. SCHOENLY, TREASURER OF THE BOROUGH OF COLLEGEVILLE, PENNA. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1943.

GENERAL FUND
RECEIPTS
Cash Balance, January 7, 1943 \$ 1,042.20

Taxes: 1934 from Co. Commis. 66.64
1935 from Co. Commis. 94.08
1936 from Co. Commis. 117.30
1937 from Co. Commis. 133.11
1938 from Co. Commis. 133.53
1939 from Co. Commis. 100.04
1940 from Co. Commis. 48.80
1941 from Co. Commis. 703.90
1942 from R.K. Moyer \$10,435.06

11,882.52
Fines 71.00
Liquor Licenses from State 600.00
Transfer from Water Acct. 825.74
Water Rents Collected 8,271.82

Transfer from Spec. Officers Fund 77.80
Ursinus College payment to Special Officers Fund 389.70
C-T Jt. School Board payment to Special Officers Fund 389.70

Reimb. for repairs to fire hyd. 12.50
Sale of Police Radio 20.00
Sale of Screen Door 5.00
Foreign Fire Ins. Tax from State Boro of Trappe refund on Jt. Water Works Advancement 1,300.00

Total Receipts \$25,137.28

DISBURSEMENTS
Secretary's salary 75.00
Treasurer's salary 162.50
Auditors' services 6.00
Legal services 201.00
Prig. Supplies & Advcr. 90.02
Premium Treas. Bond 10.00
County Assoc. of Boro. dues 5.00
Tax Collector's commission 555.65
Tax Collector's Bond 61.00
Police salary 1,629.80
Police supplies 84.58
Police mileage 283.55
Contribution to Coll. Fire Co. 300.55
Board of Health, sal. & exp. 75.00
Highways:—

Labor 87.18
Material 290.31
J. J. Skelley, excavat., lay pipe J. J. Skelley, grad. Chestnut St. between 7th & 8th Ave. 475.00

Livingood & Prosser, oiling & patching streets 1,974.17
Const. Chestnut St. 6th to 7th St. 328.25
Grading & Stoning Clahor Rd. 190.80
Const. Chestnut St. Extended 619.45
Const. Walnut St. 384.15

County Commissioners, Boro's share of oiling & chipping 8th Ave. & College Ave on County Aid project 346.92
Street Lighting 1,183.78
Insurance 358.82
Civilian Treas. Bond 56.18
Weighing trucks 5.20
Maintenance of Boro truck 37.91
Interest on Road Bonds 1,800.00
Interest on Water Bonds 775.00
State Loans Tax on bonds 269.80

Water Department:—
Water purchases from Jt. Municipal Water Works 3,344.44
Boro's share to Jt. Water Works for Supt. Yeats's salary 432.16
Works for Supt. Yeats's salary 87.20
Billing, supplies & exp. 38.21
Maintenance 38.21
Boro's share of extension to Jt. Water Works pump house 643.49
Rebate to Brith Sholom on original constr. agreement 107.53
Rent on City Deposit Box 9.50
Withholding taxes on boro emp. 56.50

State Fire Ins. tax transfer to Collegeville Fire Co Relief Assoc. 195.29
Transfer to Road Bond Fund 2,220.00
Transfer to Water Bond Fund 1,771.12

Total Disbursements \$22,029.60
Bal. in Gen. Fund, Dec. 31, 1943 3,107.68
\$25,137.28

ROAD BOND FUND
RECEIPTS
Bal., Jan. 7, 1943 \$2,334.06
(Actual bank bal. \$854.06 with \$1,480 in bonds in course of purchase)

Interest received 3.03
Trans. from General Fund \$2,220.00
Total cash receipts \$4,557.09

EXPENDITURES
U.S. Govt. Bonds purchased \$ 2,220.00
Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1943 \$ 2,337.09
U.S. Govt. War Bonds on hand, \$20,720.00 (purchase price)

WATER BOND FUND
RECEIPTS
Balance, Jan. 7, 1943 \$ 4,748.62
Interest Received 47.64
Trans. from General Fund 1,771.12

Total cash receipts \$6,567.38
Expenditures none
Cash Balance, Dec. 31, 1943 \$ 6,562.18

Water Works Recapitulation
Meter Cash
Readings Discount Received
Jan. 15, 1943 2,083.98 \$ 94.42 \$2,000.43
April 15, 1943 2,085.15 94.95 2,000.22
July 15, 1943 1,930.67 87.24 1,843.91
Oct. 15, 1943 2,536.08 115.07 2,421.27

Total 8,655.88 \$391.68 \$8,271.83
Tax Recapitulation
Valuation Property assessed \$792,575.00
Valuation Occupation assessed 79,250.00

Total Valuation \$871,825.00
Tax Rate:—
8 mills Boro purposes
3 mills Road Bond Fund
3 mills Water Bond Fund

Property Tax levy @ 14 mills \$11,096.05
Collected by R. K. Moyer 880.00
Rebates deducted (property and occupation) 490.79
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1943 1,109.59
Collected by R. K. Moyer 710.70
Exonerations deducted (1942 dup) 214.20
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1943 338.90

RESOURCES
Cash Bal. in General Fund \$ 3,107.68
Cash Bal. in Road Fund 2,337.09
U.S. War Bonds in Rd Bond Fund 20,720.00 (purchase price)
Cash Bal. in Water Bond Fund 6,562.18
Tax outstanding for 1943 Property 880.00
Tax outstanding for 1943 Occupation 338.90
Property tax outstanding for yrs. prior to 1943 517.50

Total Resources \$34,524.15
Property Owned
Water Works and Boro's share in Joint Municipal C-T Water Works (\$ not known)
Athletic Field (purchase price) 3,000.00
Ford truck 75.00
Shovels, road tools, etc. 10.00

LIABILITIES
Road Bonds outstanding \$40,000.00
Water Bonds outstanding \$31,000.00
Total Liabilities \$71,000.00

We the undersigned, do hereby certify that we have audited the above accounts this 24th day of January, 1944, and found them true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

JOHN C. NOLAN
J. HOWARD FENSTERMACHER
Auditors.

Thank You, Friends!

On the occasion of our second anniversary in the barber business in Collegeville, we say with grateful hearts, "Thanks to our neighbors and friends in the community who have, through their loyal patronage, helped us to establish our business and our home in this fine community."

We hope that we will continue to merit your approval and that we shall have a long and lasting friendship with those we serve.

DAN'S BARBER SHOP

DANIEL MISCIAGNA, Prop.

137 MAIN STREET, COLLEGEVILLE (opposite Gristock's)

8 a. m. to 8 p. m. daily, Tuesday through Saturday

BABY CHICKS FOR MEAT & EGGS
Weekly Hatches. English White Leghorns at \$12.00 per 100. New Hampshire Reds, Barred and White Rocks, White Wyandottes at \$14.00 per 100. Brahmas and White and Black Giants at \$15 per 100.
JONAS A. BERGEY, Telford, Pa. Phone Souderton 2150

Have you bought your Chick Supplies?

JAMESWAY

• CHICK FOUNTAINS
• CHICK FEEDERS
SHOEMAKER'S FERTILIZER AND SEED CORN

Harold Weaver
Collegeville — Dial 4331

VIRGIL G. SOMMERS

Funeral Director
445 Main Street
Collegeville, Pa.
Phone 3881

Dignified Personal Service
Modern Equipment

16 oz. Glass
Diced Carrots
2 for 25c

Cut Beets
2 for 25c
6 Points per can

GINGER BREAD
Xpert Mix
21c box

Table Salt
3-1½ lb. boxes 10c

SUSAN BAKER
Salad Dressing
16 oz. jar 19c

A BREAKFAST TREAT!
Ranger Joe
2 pkgs. 23c

Tomato Paste
3 cans 25c
10 Points per can

YOUNG'S
Soap Chips
2 lbs. 45c

PURE PRINT
Lard — 17c lb.
2 Points per lb.