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War Moves

Europe Hears Rumors Hitler May Move May Strike South The French Fleet

(Reg. U. S. Pat. Office) By LOUIS F. KEEMLE (Of The United Press War Desk) A fresh "war of nerves" has broken out in Europe. It may be just that or it may indicate a new move by Adolf Hitler in a direction which London is frantically trying to determine.

The many rumors current in London and Bern, when boiled down, suggest that if Hitler is planning to move, it is probably in the direction of the Mediterranean and north Africa. After all, the Axis is in difficulty in Libya and it would be logical for Hitler to attempt some bold stroke to put the British back on the defensive and avoid being chased out of Africa entirely.

The boldest, of course, would be to wrest control of the French fleet and African bases from Vichy. If Marshal Petain, as reported, has resigned in favor of pro-Nazi Admiral Darlan, that would be easier to accomplish. It is known that Petain has resisted Hitler's demands, insisting on honoring his word that French forces would not be used against Britain. London believes that Darlan would have no such scruples.

The report about Petain is only one of the many reaching London, and it is given more credence than most. Others include a report that German troops are moving in France towards Spain; that German air reinforcements are going to Italy, Greece and Crete; that German submarines are in the Mediterranean, and that new troop movements have been observed in Bulgaria.

Rumors that German troops already have entered Spain from France are heavily discounted in London. If it is true that they are on the move within France it is not impossible that they could be routed through unoccupied France to embark from Marseilles for Bizerte in French Tunisia, which adjoins Libya.

That would be more logical than a big new operation like a move through Spain to storm Gibraltar, take French west Africa and perhaps Portuguese island bases off the coast for Atlantic hostilities. Such a move would be of no immediate help to the hard pressed Axis forces in Libya.

Hitler's possible Mediterranean operations depend to a great extent on the success of his Italian drive. (Continued on Page Twelve)

Manny Boyer's Son Dies, Cincinnati

Word has been received by Mahanoy City relatives of the death and burial of Robert E. Boyer, aged seventy-three years, the last member of the first family to reside permanently in Mahanoy City, who died at his home in Cincinnati, Ohio and was buried there.

The departed was born in Mahanoy City seventy-three years ago and was a son of the late Emanuel and Elizabeth Boyer, who were the first permanent residents of this community.

He is remembered among the older residents of Mahanoy City as a journeyman photographer and leaving here more than forty years ago he was employed in hotels for some years.

He was never married and his only survivors are a number of nieces and nephews including Charles, Harold and Roy Boyer, of Mahanoy City; Mrs. Edward Plank, Paoli, Mrs. William Powell, Park Place and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Alvina Boyer, Park Place.

WE'RE CLOSED CHRISTMAS!

To properly observe the holiday season, we will be closed all day Christmas. **BLAKER'S SERVICE STATION** West Centre street d23-24

THE WEATHER Partly cloudy and colder tonight.

Post List Of Deputies To Sheriff

20 Aspire to Hold Posts Under Sheriff-elect Dr. Walter.

THE DOCTOR IS NON-COMMITTAL

Court House, Dec. 24—Twenty names have been posted in the office of the prothonotary as an eligible list from which the deputies in the office of sheriff-elect Dr. Frank Walter will be named. Under the law the names of those eligible for appointment must be posted prior to the taking office. The names posted on the eligible list contain all the present holders of deputyships in the office of sheriff. Seven appointments are to be made. The posting of twenty names is simply for the purpose of beclouding the issue.

The names posted are as follows: Clarence E. Minnick, Pottsville; Benjamin J. Liddle, Pottsville; Leon M. Brobst, Mahanoy City; Henry Ashman, Pottsville; Harry Cook, Shenandoah; Harry Yadosky, of Shenandoah; Richard Evans, Coal-dale; Adam E. Heimbach, Pine Grove; Frank A. Neal, Pottsville; Anthony Kronkowski, Shenandoah; Guy E. Waldman, Orwigsburg; Howard M. Eddinger, Tamaqua; Fred G. Holman, Mahanoy City; Paul E. Houck, Schuylkill Haven; George Ebener, Shenandoah; Herbert Fortz, Girardville; Harry Reed, Pottsville; James Cunningham, West Mahanoy Township; George K. Foster, Coal-dale; and John P. McGrath, Lost Creek.

The posting of the list has caused much amusement and many smiles about the court house and in political circles throughout the county.

Dr. Walter is noncommittal as to the naming of his deputies. Those who claim to be in on the "know" state that county chairman Paul E. Houck, present first deputy controller, will become first deputy sheriff. It is also said that Henry Ashman, a Houck lieutenant, will

Masses Tomorrow Catholic Churches

The following is the schedule of masses to be held in the Catholic churches of Mahanoy City on Christmas Day:

- St. Canicus: Solemn high mass 5:00 o'clock, masses at 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00 o'clock and high mass at 11:00 o'clock.
- St. Fidelis: Solemn high mass 6:00 o'clock, masses at 8:00 and 10:30 o'clock and evening devotions at 7:00 o'clock.
- Sacred Heart: Masses at 5:00, 8:00 and high mass at 10:00 o'clock; confessions this afternoon commencing at 5:00 o'clock.
- St. Joseph's: Masses at 6:00, 8:00, 9:00 and 10:00 o'clock.
- St. Casimir's: Masses at 6:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00 and 10:30 o'clock.
- St. Mary's (Slovak): Masses at 5:00, 8:00 and 10:30 o'clock and evening devotions at 7:00 o'clock.

President To Establish A War Labor Board Of 9 Men

By FRED BAILEY (United Press Staff Correspondent) Washington, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—President Roosevelt today was expected to establish a war labor board within a few days to carry out the program for uninterrupted production drafted by his industry-labor conferences.

The board of probably nine men may be similar to that of the first world war. It would be authorized to make recommendations but would have no powers other than public opinion to enforce them.

Both labor and industry representatives have pledged that there will be no strikes or lockouts "for any cause" during the war. All disputes, they agreed, shall be settled by "peaceful means."

Establishment of the board, probably by executive order, as well as its functions and powers, was left entirely to Mr. Roosevelt. The President, in a letter thanking the

On This Christmas Eve

It is the Eve of Christmas, that blessed festival honoring the birth of Jesus, the Christ, the abiding Prince of Peace.

It finds us a nation at war—not a war of our choosing, but brought about by the evil machinations of a foe, whose treachery was that of the thief in the night.

It finds us however, a people united. Whatever our race or creed, we are determined that the great freedoms—Freedom of worship, Freedom of speech, Freedom of assembly and Freedom of the press—which we have received as a priceless legacy from our forefathers, shall be the blessed legacy we shall bequeath to our children and our children's children.

It finds us sober-minded and serious as we are brought face to face at last with the blight that war has cast upon the lives of our fellowmen in Europe and Asia.

It makes us more cognizant of the message of the angelic multitude, as it soared over the hills of Bethlehem two thousand years ago singing: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace and goodwill toward men," which is the great Christian ideal.

It stirs anew in our hearts a dormant devotion to the Infant Christ and the gospel he came to earth to preach—the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

It finds us a community, like thousands of others throughout the land, where the Spirit of Christmas soars above heartaches and sorrow and reminds us that the things that Jesus taught, and for which he lived and died—faith, hope and love—are the things that abide, that are eternal.

At this blessed Christmas season, we look about us and rejoice in the fact that our community, containing as it does representatives of many races and creeds, is a community of friendly people—of neighbors—of friends.

The Record-American is happy to serve in a community such as Mahanoy City where, though much remains to be accomplished for the common good, much has been done.

And so, in the words of Tiny Tim, in the immortal "Christmas Carol," of Charles Dickens, The Record-American extends to the citizenry of the community and vicinity the greeting: "God Bless Us—Everyone!"

Anglo-American Conferes Prepare "Strategic Plan"

Washington, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Anglo-American military and technical conferences today prepared a "strategic plan" of joint war action for the approval of President Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

British experts brought here by Churchill are meeting with American officials in various conferences. Their findings and recommendations will be submitted eventually to the Prime Minister and Mr. Roosevelt and the full conference of U. S. and British war leaders.

The mechanics of the conference were explained by Sir Gerald Campbell, director of the British information service in America, as unfavorable developments in the Far East—the Japanese drives in the Philippines and Malaya—prompted to move Mr. Roosevelt and Churchill to bring Russia into the White House war council talks soon.

News from Manila and official army advices reaching this capital reported an impending showdown in the battle for the Philippines, with the Japanese attempting to launch a three-pronged—northwest, (Continued on Page 5)

Lightning Kills Scranton Miner

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—A freak winter storm, accompanied by thunder and lightning, caused heavy property damage and injury to at least three persons here today.

Six homes were unroofed at Exeter as a downpour flooded the streets, Artillery park and the Kingston high school stadium also were damaged.

Telephone lines were torn down in various sections as trees were uprooted and debris hurled through the air.

Edith Gall, 16, suffered a hip fracture when struck by a flying timber. She was taken to the Pittston Hospital.

Windows were shattered by the high wind and motorists reported narrow escapes. An automobile owned by Andrew Fenner was wrecked when the roof was whipped from his home by the wind and fell on the machine.

Lightning Kills Miner Scranton, Pa., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—One man was killed and several others were stunned today when lightning struck a mine slope on which they were working.

The victim of the charge was Richard Sherlock, Scranton. The lightning struck a steel rail at the mouth of the slope and followed it down the incline 100 yards to where Sherlock and the other men were at work.

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Philippines Battle Center Attention; Admits Probable Fall Of Wake Island; Hong Kong Garrison Is Holding Out

U. S.-Filipino Forces Fight On Outnumbered

The Filipino Cavalry Regiment Is Mentioned Special Commendation.

U. S. BOMBERS HIT JAP TRANSPORTS

By FRANZ WEISBLATT (United Press Staff Correspondent) U. S. Army Field Headquarters, North Luzon Front, Dec. 24 (2:40 P. M., 12:40 A. M. EST) (U.P.)—United States and Philippine forces, heavily outnumbered, have been holding off the furious attacks of a Japanese invasion army for three days, Maj. Gen. Jonathan M. Wainwright, commanding the northern Luzon forces, said today in a communique commending all ranks.

As I arrived from the battle front, where I had seen the United States and Philippine forces in action on the gulf of Lingayen, I was handed the following special communique by Gen. Wainwright, commanding the northern Luzon forces:

"During the last few days heavy fighting has been in progress in the north Luzon sector.

"Although greatly outnumbered the troops in this sector have conducted themselves with valor and have engaged the enemy where they have found them.

"Special commendation is due to the 26th Cavalry (Filipino), which has been in the thick of the fray from the very outset and particularly distinguished itself in engagements at Damortis and Binalonan, both engagements a part of the general battle of Lingayen gulf."

The cavalrymen had been in action at Damortis, in the Santo Tomas invasion zone where the Japanese had effected a landing on the gulf coast, and at Binalonan, 30 miles to the south and 25 miles inland.

In Pangasinan province town this morning, as I returned from the (Continued on Page 5)

Mrs. Mary Brown, A Former Resident, Dies

Mrs. Mary Ellen Brown, 74, sister of John and Edward Luke, and Mrs. Hannah Brown, all of town, died in the Coal-dale State Hospital at 3:05 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The departed, a former resident of Mahanoy City, suffered a stroke last Thursday morning. During the afternoon of the same day she was admitted to the hospital.

Mrs. Brown had made her home with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, 601 Arlington street, Tamaqua, for some time. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Brown.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. William Erbe, Tamaqua; four sons, William, New York; Edward, Sinking Springs; Thomas, Pottsville, and George, above mentioned; four brothers, William Luke, Reading; Daniel Luke, Shamokin, and John and Edward Luke, of town and three sisters, Mrs. Hannah Brown, of town; Mrs. John Klock, Shamokin, and Mrs. John Prosser, of Shamokin also.

The War In Brief

(By United Press) MANILA: Japanese bombers attack Manila four times; heavy fighting in progress on Luzon Island; MacArthur considering declaring Manila an open city to spare populace as Japanese land in force 75 miles away.

HONOLULU: Heavy bomber and fighter plane reinforcements arrive en route to fighting area.

SINGAPORE: British imperials fight off Japanese attacks 230 miles north of Singapore.

HONG KONG: British garrison holds out, inflicting heavy casualties on Japanese attackers.

MOSCOW: Russians still press Germans back; claim heavy Nazi casualties.

BERLIN: Foreign Minister Ribbentrop denies German peace feelers and pledges new spring offensive.

LONDON: Rumors that Petain quits as head of France and that Nazi troops are en route to Spain flood British capital; most reports conflicting; British bomb Cologne.

TOKYO: Propaganda broadcasts claim Japanese occupation of tiny Wake Island; admit loss of two more destroyers.

CAIRO: Axis troops falling back near Benghazi with retreat to Tripoli cut off.

Program Tonight Community Tree

Everything is in readiness for the program to be presented at the Community Christmas tree, at midnight tonight, according to an announcement made today by the Mahanoy City Social Club's special committee, which is in charge of the event.

Santa Claus, accompanied by color guards from the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars will parade to the tree from First and Centre streets, leaving that intersection promptly at 11:50 o'clock.

Several thousand song sheets have been printed and will be distributed among the assembly in order that the public may join in the singing of familiar Christmas carols.

The musical program will be in charge of the Eagles Band, under the direction of Prof. John Unsin, which have prepared an unusually fine program for the occasion.

The club and its officers today expressed gratification to the Record-American for the (Continued on page fourteen)

Big Battle Developing In Northwest Malaya Area; Rumors Flying In Europe

Japanese Launch Two Main Attacks Against Luzon and Gen. MacArthur Takes Personal Command of American-Filipino Forces to Meet the Enemy's Attacks.

MacArthur May Make Manila Open City

Nazi-inspired Rumor Campaign Causes Excitement In Europe, Which Is Trying to Anticipate Next Hitlerian Move. General Goebbels Addresses the Germans.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur took the field today in personal command of American-Philippine forces against a grand Japanese assault upon the island of Luzon, bastion of America's Far Eastern possessions.

The American commander-in-chief moved forward with advance echelons of his general headquarters to counter a full-scale Japanese attack aimed from half a dozen directions against the capital of Manila.

The Philippines battle held the center of attention. Elsewhere on the world war front the little island of Wake was admitted by the U. S. navy probably to have fallen to the Japanese, the British garrison at Hong Kong stubbornly fought against heavy Japanese odds, a big battle was developing in northwest Malaya and Europe throbbed with a Nazi-inspired rumor campaign over Adolf Hitler's winter moves.

The Japanese launched two main attacks against Luzon, the most important being an assault backed by an expeditionary force of 80,000 to 100,000 men along Lingayen gulf 135 to 150 miles north of Manila and linked with the capital by a broad, flat river valley.

Some 75 miles southeast of Manila, the Japanese put ashore a force from an estimated 40 transports—possibly 40,000 men—in the Atimonan region.

A third Japanese attempt in the Batangas region, 125 miles due south of Manila, was said by eyewitnesses to have been beaten off by American defense forces although an Army communique at Washington indicated the Japanese may be renewing their landing attempts there.

The Japanese have three other minor footholds on Luzon at northern Aparri, western Vigan and southeastern Legaspi. On the southern island of Mindanao they also are ashore at Davao but there have been few reliable reports of fighting in that region.

The Japanese supported their heavy attack on Luzon with repeated air raids on the Manila area and apparently indiscriminate bombing of rural Philippines towns and villages for the first time.

The Japanese attacks on Manila were directed chiefly at the port region, it appeared, and correspondents said that for the first time the Japanese picked objectives inside the city proper.

May Declare An Open City American authorities announced they are considering declaring Manila an open city to attempt to free the population from the hazard of repeated air attacks.

Reports from the fighting fronts indicated that despite an inferiority of numbers American and Filipino troops are giving a good account of themselves in action against the Japanese. They were fighting on even or better terms, correspondents said.

Extending their operations east—(Continued on page fourteen)

WORKING TIME

All operations idle Christmas Day, December 25th and Friday, December 26th.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1941

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands; one Nation, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.

TRAINING WOMEN FOR JOBS

GOVERNOR James has announced that the Commonwealth will cooperate with the Federal government in the matter of training women for jobs in industry to take the places of men inducted into the nation's armed forces.

Local women who may be interested in preparing themselves for employment in industry are advised that a fairly elaborate program has been in force here for some time and while discontinued for the holidays will be revived early in January.

The local training courses were begun under the direction of Schools Superintendent Bolan who also decided upon the holiday recess and will be continued under his successor Superintendent Boyle.

The advice given all those women of the community who may consider themselves available for employment during a war emergency is to give full consideration to the opportunities offered under the present NYA program and its expected expansion.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Advice to the well-dressed man from the president of a swank Fifth avenue New York shop is to buy accessories at the time the suit is purchased; to keep them in the comparative price range of the suit, and to harmonize colors and materials.



New Treatments Reduce Pneumonia Death Rate

By LOGAN CLENDENING, M. D. Pneumonia which was once "Captain of the Men of Death" has, in this year of grace, lost most of its terror through the application of modern methods of treatment and control.

Highest Recent Report

The highest death rate reported from any clinic was 9%. This is in striking contrast to former years. In Osler's Practice of Medicine of the date of 1905, the mortality is put down as from 20 to 40%.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

B. E.—"I was told that eating raw garlic was good for high blood pressure. Is this true?" Answer: According to some of my correspondents, garlic has been successfully used for high blood pressure.

GIVEN STATE JOBS

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The Highways Department has announced these appointments: Jane M. Kellett, Frackville, key punch operator, at \$1,080 a year; Belle H. Horton, Towanda, stenographer, \$1,080; J. Adrian McNamara, Hawley, assistant maintenance superintendent, Honesdale district, \$1,860 and Earl S. Faulkner, Drexel Hill, junior construction inspector, \$1,380.

Mahanoy City-Tamaqua BUS LINE SCHEDULE

Weekdays Only. Phone Lakewood 25 Leave Park Crest Garage for Mahanoy City—6:30, 8:25 A. M.; 12:25, 3:25, 6:25, 10:05 P. M. Leave Mahanoy City for Tamaqua—7:00, 10:00 A. M.; 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, *10:30 P. M.

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Coming Events

[Brief announcement in this column is extended as a courtesy to patrons of our Job Printing department.] Friday Evening—Weekly card party in St. Canicus church hall, auspices of St. Canicus congregation.

Barnesville School Pupils Present Program

The Barnesville school pupils presented a program on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Their teacher is Mrs. Dorothy Stewart. The program follows: Recitation, "Welcome," Roland and Martin Sheeler.

FAITH EPISCOPAL CHURCH Program For Christmas

In Church of Faith, Episcopal. Rev. J. Lyon Hatfield, A. M., Rector, Miss Margaret Jones, organist, the following is the program for Christmas Day: At 8 o'clock Christmas morning there will be a celebration of the Holy Communion with the Church of Faith vested choir singing the short Communion service in D, by R. W. Martin.

BORN

Attorney and Mrs. Cyril Kilker, Girardville, are the proud parents of a son, their fourth, born at the Locust Mountain Hospital. Mrs. Kilker is the former Elizabeth Heller, of Shenandoah.

PAPER ON STREETS

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More than 8,500 gallons of typhoid vaccine were produced at the Army Medical School during the past year—enough to provide vaccine for over 8,000,000 triple-shot courses of vaccination.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Taken From The Mahanoy City Record-American December 24, 1921 John Richards, for the past ten years janitor at the Pine street school building, died at his home on East Mahanoy street.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

LOVE ONE ANOTHER Love is never lost. If not reciprocated it will flow back and soften and purify the heart.—Washington Irving.

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URBAN'S
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By JACK GUENTHER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

New York, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—A free ride on the sports merry-go-round: Professional football—It is an established fact that the place to search for pro huskies is in the tank towns, not on all America rosters, but gaze on the weird assortment of schools from which the Brooklyn Dodgers drafted their 1942 squad — Arizona, Emporia Teachers, Denver, Muhlenberg, of Scranton, Kansas, Chatsanooga, Elon, Wichita and George Washington. This list is conclusive evidence either that All Americas should be abandoned or that Jock Sutherland belongs in the hands of a psychiatrist. Apparently the good gray doctor had more than a few tricks up his sleeve in his attempts to obtain boys who won't be drafted by the army. In Mike Francis of Nebraska, for instance, he drew a lad who not only is married but has more bridgework than San Francisco. He hasn't a tooth of his own in his mouth, and therefore probably will be deferred.

Horsing—no matter what you hear to the contrary, there is no way in which Whirlaway may run in Florida's \$50,000 Widener cup race this winter. The horse of the year wasn't nominated for this event and even if Warden Wright should buy Hialeah Park lock, stock and padlock, Whirlaway still would not be eligible. Incidentally, the ban on publication of weather reports has been a sad blow to the boys who improve the breed in the bookie shops and probably will incite mass heart-kari among sports writers covering the Kentucky derby. They always rely on the weather for at least two yarns.

Boxing—The year of 1941 will be written down as the saddest of all for the New York State Boxing Commission. The rival National Boxing Association succeeded in moving three of its title claimants into undisputed world championships. Gus Lesnevich took charge of the light heavyweight division; Tony Zale took over the middle-weight class; and now Sammy Angott has captured the lightweight crown. This represents a decided loss of face for the "Three Dumb Dukes," who persistently refused to recognize any of the three new champs as qualified leaders of their weight stratas until they went right out and settled matters for themselves.

College football—It appears to me, for one, that the colleges who get bowl invitations should be a little less greedy with the fat gates they receive for the post-season games and pay the expenses of every squad member to and from the spot where the contest is played. Oregon State, for instance, is taking only 31 boys to Durham and Fordham cut seven men before departing for New Orleans. The lads who stayed home might not even have been given a chance to play in the bowl games had they gone, but that does not matter. After working and drilling just as hard as the others they are entitled to the vacation, too.

Baseball—Criticizing Connie Mack is akin to robbing graves, but I'm afraid the amiable old rascal had his tongue in his cheek when he advised baseball players not to become holdouts or they would become ripe pickings for the draft boards. Mack apparently was speaking for his own purse strings when he gave out that statement. I've been informed by men who profess to know that he doesn't come close to paying the normal major league scale at Philadelphia, and as for holdouts, we know how all owners feel about them. A man can be patriotic and still look for his own salary so long as he doesn't hinder the common cause—which a baseball holdout certainly would not be doing. If Mack were anything but the legend he is I'd say flatly he was using the war as an excuse to trim his budget.

Swimming—My, but Gloria Callen has a fine technique!

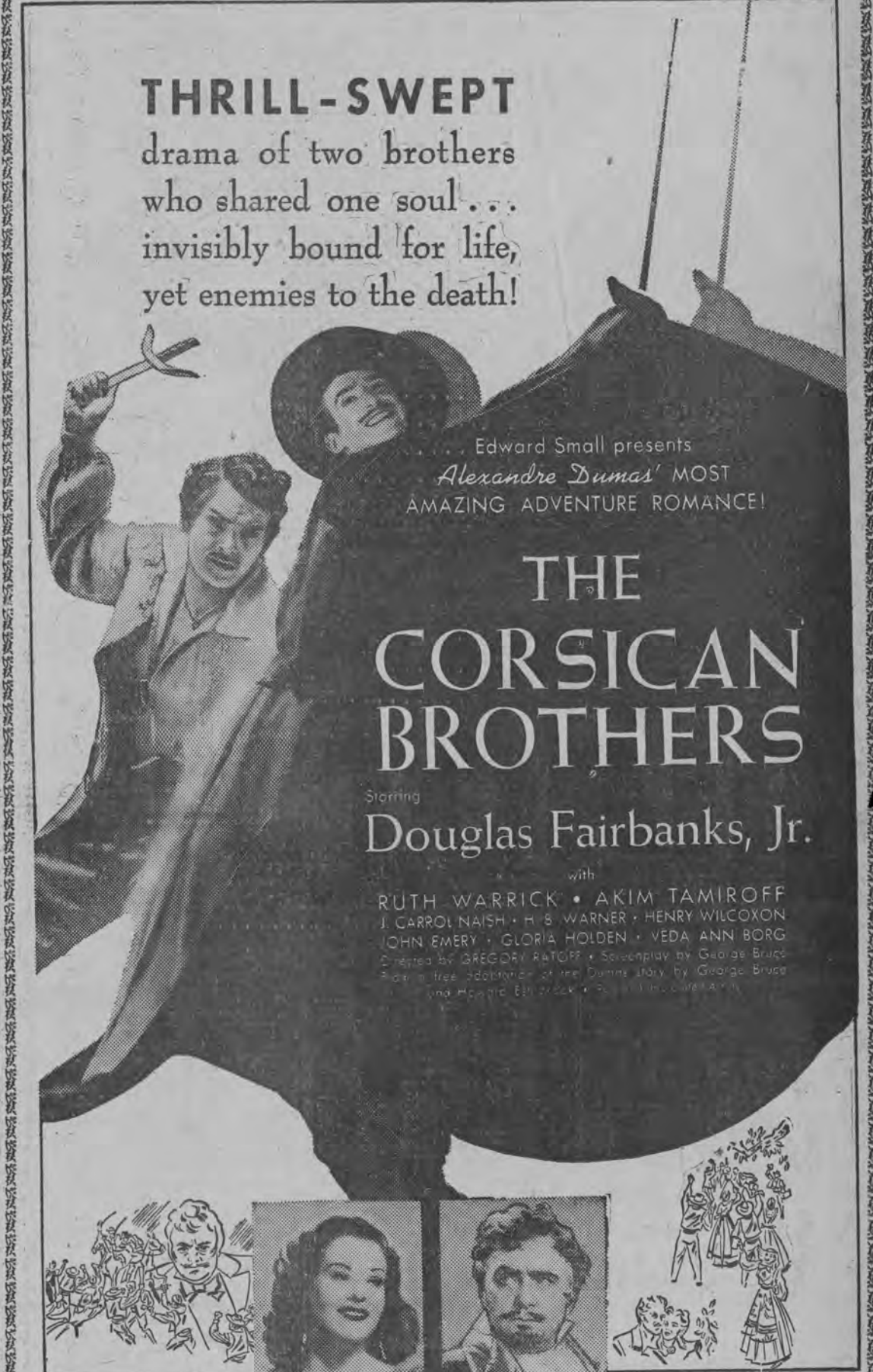
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P. & R. ENGINEERS' PARTY
The engineering department of the Mahanoy City Division of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company held its annual Christmas party yesterday afternoon. The affair was held in Joe Klein's cafe, where a delicious roast beef dinner was served to the group, which was comprised of twenty-six persons. An impromptu program, with the singing of Christmas carols and other entertainment, was presented following the dinner.

Elks Auxiliary Dance Is Saturday Night
The Elks Auxiliary of Mahanoy City Lodge No. 695 B. P. O. Elks will hold their annual Christmas dance on Saturday night, December 27th in the Elks assembly hall on East Centre street. It is expected that many regional folk will join with Mahanoy City dancers in attending this annual affair. Music for dancing will be furnished by the Wilks Swing Band with dancing to commence at eleven o'clock. Attractive decorations will be featured and novelties and favors distributed. Mrs. Crellin Davis, president of the Auxiliary, heads the dance committee which is composed of a group of active members.

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COALDALE SOLDIER KILLED
The Yuletide joy was shattered for a Coaldale family last night, when a telegram was received notifying them that George Stembrosky, United States Navy, was killed in action during the Japanese attack on the Hawaiian Islands Dec. 7. Mr. and Mrs. George Stembrosky, Sr., W. Phillips street, Coaldale, were notified last night by Postal Telegram that their son was among the Navy heroes killed when the Japanese descended upon Pearl Harbor. The youth, aged about 20, was born in Coaldale, and graduated from Coaldale high school, where he played varsity football in 1940. The following October he enlisted in the Navy, and was sent to Hawaii several months ago.

KILLED IN PHILIPPINES
Robert Pershing Brior, of Black Creek Valley, Luzerne County, private first class in the United States Army Air Corps, was killed in action in the Philippine Islands on December 13 according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Brior from the United States War Department. Private Brior enlisted in the army in August, 1939 and served in the Philippines since that time. He was twenty-two years of age, was graduated from the Black Creek Township high school and was a member of the Mountain Grove Reformed Church. His parents, four brothers and a sister survive.

INJURED IN COAL HOLE
Nicholas Brillo, 31, of Pottsville, R. D., was injured in a gas explosion yesterday in a bogie coal hole near Forestville. He was admitted to the Pottsville Hospital for treatment of injuries of the face, head and hands.

MOVIES PLAYING TONIGHT
in SCHUYLKILL COUNTY

FRACKVILLE—Garden Theatre "Unholy Partners" with Edward G. Robinson, Edward Arnold and Laraine Day. News and shorts.

SHENANDOAH—Capitol Theatre "Confirm or Deny" with Don Ameche, Joan Bennett and Roddy McDowell. Starting Thursday, "The Corsican Brothers" with Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Ruth Warrick, Akim Tamiroff and H. B. Warner.

SHENANDOAH—Strand Theatre "The Night of January 16th" with Robert Preston, Ellen Drew and Nils Asther. Starting Thursday, "Tarzan's Secret Treasure" with Johnny Weissmuller, Maureen O'Sullivan and Barry Fitzgerald.

CHRISTMAS DAY AT CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Festival of the Holy Nativity will be duly observed at Christ Lutheran church with a Matin service at 8:00 A. M. The familiar carols will be sung and the pastor will preach on the subject, "The Characters in the Christmas Drama." Friends and members of the parish are urged to attend. If there are any spending the Christmas holiday at their homes who cannot be present for the Communion services on January 4, a special communion service will be arranged to follow the Matin service on Christmas morning.

NYA AIDING DEFENSE

Harrisburg, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—All National Youth Administration service projects in Pennsylvania are geared to the nation's defense program, Administrator saac. C. Sutton said today. Emphasis has been placed on "girls' projects," Sutton said, with female NYA workers helping civilian defense councils make uniforms, arm bands, identification symbols and similar items. Girls are being trained also to fit into hospital work during emergencies and to help in emergency community feeding programs. Our business is your business—Advertising means business for both of us!

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ADDED: DEAD END KIDS IN "SEA RAIDERS" LATEST NEWS

Post List Of The Deputies To Sheriff

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also go into the office. Frank Neal, Pine Grove committeeman, is also said to be slated.

The commissions were signed by the Governor as of December 15.

Property Transfer Raymond J. I. Kistler to Rhea M. Pfeil, premises in Tamaqua, for \$1.

Marriage Licenses Joseph Kalkes and Margaret Bayliff, both of Shenandoah.

Prison Report It cost twenty-eight cents per day per prisoner in the county prison last month according to the monthly report which has been filed with the county commissioners.

The average daily prison population was 86.

To Destroy Slot Machines Petitions for the destroying of slot machines taken in raids by the state motor police will be presented to the courts. Nine machines are to be destroyed.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL Among local and regional patients discharged from the Ashland Hospital on Wednesday were: John Alvarez, Mrs. Margaret Jones, Mahanoy City; Samuel Heckman, Quakake; Jacob Kelm, Craigs.

Anglo-American Conferees Prepare A "Strategic Plan"

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south and southeast-towards Manila. Sir Gerald reported that Churchill is working far into the night, as is his custom at home. He added that Churchill and his staff presumably were being fully informed of war developments by London while they are here.

The British information director said that Mr. Roosevelt would issue any invitations which may be sent to other governments to participate in the conferences here, either now or later.

The talks are designed, Campbell said, to achieve world-wide strategy and "world-wide victory." He said that the joint Christmas Eve address of Mr. Roosevelt and Churchill today indicates that the allies are growing closer together at a time when there are numerous reports of dissension among the Axis forces.

Churchill, a White House guest, and Mr. Roosevelt are in frequent consultation.

Pacific the Danger Spot They continued their discussions last night and today in meetings broken only for sleep and for an amazing interlude - an American press conference. Some 200 British and American correspondents crowded into the President's big oval office and gawked like week-end tourists at the visitor from London.

It is strictly an Anglo-American meeting so far. But all the allies are to be kept advised and, presumably, ultimately to join in discussions which will make the White House the actual anti-axis headquarters for World War II.

The facts developed after 17 days of war with Japan and less than two days of Anglo-American war counciling here are that our own Pacific ocean is the immediate danger spot to the allied cause.

Germany is retreating before Russian thrusts in Europe. The Atlantic life line by which Great Britain obtains supplies from Canada and the United States is functioning better than ever.

British forces are giving the Axis at least a preliminary licking in North Africa. The British home front is quiet.

But in the Pacific the allied forces are on the defensive at almost every point. Guam is gone and Wake Island has been invaded. Hong Kong, Singapore and the Philippines are under desperate attack.

And that is the problem they seek to solve. One of the men who has had an opportunity to spend some time with Mr. Churchill told the United Press that the principal object of his visit here was to evolve with Mr. Roosevelt plans for defeat of Japan and integration of those plans with the war against our major enemy-Germany.

Mr. Churchill's "terrible anxiety" for Singapore scarcely exaggerates uneasiness here over the Philippines where Japanese forces are attempting a pincer movement against Manila from the north and south. That war theatre, where neither ally was prepared for the sudden ferocity of the Japanese attack is understood to be the matter of most immediate concern to the two chief figures in this 1941 Washington conference and to their aides as well.

They are continuing their discussions today after a preliminary meeting of the "Anglo-American war council" which was followed by one or more hotel dinners to enable the military figures on both sides to break down a little of their reserve over some good food, a drink and cigars. The council is a starry, gold braid outfit including the chiefs of land, sea and air forces.

The U. S. Filipino Forces Fight On But Outnumbered

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front, I was approached by a Virginia Negro, Thomas White, a Spanish war veteran who has remained in the Philippines since 1939. White, I learned, has perished every American officer he has seen in an attempt to get back in the army.

"I am only 69 and I can shoot as well as I could when I landed 42 years ago," he told me.

An earlier dispatch by Welsblatt, filed from the Lingayen battle front, follows: On the Luzon Front, Dec. 23 (9:50 P. M., 7:50 A. M., Tuesday EST) (U.P.) -Japanese troops are paying heavily in ships and men as they seek to fight their way down through northern Luzon toward Manila.

I can hear the firing in the front line just ahead as United States and Philippine troops, outnumbered but with their fighting spirit high are holding off the Japanese with field artillery, machine guns and rifles.

United States bombing planes took a heavy toll of Japanese transports which they bombed at daybreak today, though no exact reports are yet available.

STRUCK BY AUTOMOBILE Joseph Swingle, 18, Wylam street, Frackville, is a patient at the Ashland State Hospital suffering from an injury to the left arm which he received when struck by an automobile.

Marines Go Down Fighting On Wake

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Yesterday just before Christmas came to Wake Island. It is now Christmas on the little outpost which lies 2,004 miles west of Honolulu and across the international dateline.

Guam, the United States' furthest outpost toward the Philippines, was taken on Dec. 13.

But Midway, another island base which lies between Hawaii and Wake, is still holding out.

The marines at Wake went down fighting, the navy indicated. Two enemy destroyers were lost in the final and successful Japanese attempt to put a landing party ashore on the four-mile long island.

In the early days of the war, the defending garrison's airmen succeeded in sinking a light cruiser and a destroyer attempting to support an enemy landing operation.

The garrison had fought off 13 air and naval assaults. But in the 14th attack, the enemy managed to gain a foothold on the island.

This occurred on the morning of Dec. 23 (Wake Island time), after a strong air attack was launched by the enemy. Several Japanese planes were shot down.

After the navy was advised that the Japanese had landed on Wake, there was silence. Efforts to make communication with the heroic band of marines were futile. It was then the navy decided that the island probably was lost. The occupation apparently was completed Dec. 24 (Wake time).

Log of Historic Fight Here is the log of the history-making fight put up by the marines, as reported in navy communiques: Dec. 11-The marine garrison at Wake has fought off four separate attacks by enemy aircraft and naval units in the last 48 hours. Despite loss of some defending planes and damage to material and personnel, marine fliers managed to sink a light cruiser and a destroyer.

Dec. 12-The resistance of Wake continues. Dec. 13-Wake continues to resist.

Dec. 14-Two additional bombing attacks on Wake, first light and second in great force. Two enemy bombers shot down. The marines continue to resist.

Dec. 15-Wake continues to resist. Dec. 16-Wake had two additional bombing attacks, the first light and second heavy. Wake is countering the blows of the enemy.

Dec. 19-Two additional air attacks on Wake. The garrison continues to counter these blows. Dec. 21-Wake fought off two additional attacks by enemy aircraft.

Dec. 23-Wake sustained another strong air attack. Several enemy planes shot down. Japanese effected a landing on the morning of the 23d (Wake time).

Dec. 24-Radio communication with Wake has been severed and the capture of the island is probable. Two enemy destroyers were lost in the final landing operations.

LICENSES SUSPENDED

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)-The liquor control board today announced these suspensions effective Dec. 29: Edward Zisk, 819 Locust St., 35 days; Tloga Democratic Social Club, 3544-50 N. 17th St., 75 days and Benjamin Kreizman, 416 N. 40th St., 15 days, all of Philadelphia; Benjamin Taraskvitz, Terry's Cafe, 940 Chestnut St., Kulpmont, 35 days and George A. Norton, Silver Lake Inn, Lewisberry, R. D. 1, 10 days.

Funeral Notices

BERWICK-Suddenly Sunday, December 21, Mary, wife of Arthur Berwick. Relatives and friends are invited to the funeral from her late residence, 505 East Pine street, Friday afternoon, one o'clock. Rev. Guidin and Rev. Rineer officiating. Interment at Protestant cemetery, H. F. Clifford, funeral director. d23-2t

CURRY-At the Locust Mountain Hospital, Tuesday, December 23, Frank Curry, fifty, of Mahanoy Plane. Relatives and friends are invited to the funeral from his late home at Mahanoy Plane on Saturday morning, 9:15 o'clock. Solemn high mass of requiem in Holy Rosary church at 9:30 o'clock. Interment at Holy Rosary cemetery, Frackville. Wright Funeral Service. d24-2t

RYAN-On Monday, December 22, Joseph Ryan. Relatives and friends invited to attend the funeral to be held Saturday, 8:30 A. M., from his late residence, 429 West Spruce street. Solemn high mass of requiem in St. Mary's Slovak R. C. Church at 9 o'clock. Interment at parish cemetery. J. A. Oravitz and Son, funeral director. d23-3t

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF DAN LEWIS' IS TOMORROW Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Lewis, of 715 East Centre street, will observe their thirtieth wedding anniversary on Christmas Day.

Mrs. Lewis is the former Miss Daisy Griffith, of Nesquehoning, while Mr. Lewis is a member of a family prominently known in this section for many years.

He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis. His father, a well-known mining man, was superintendent at Primrose colliery for many years.

The couple are the parents of two sons, Harry, of Hazleton, and Daniel, of Philadelphia.

The many friends of the couple join in extending greetings and best wishes for many happy returns of the day.

HOSPITAL OPERATIONS

The following operations were scheduled to be performed on Wednesday by surgeons at the Ashland Hospital: Frank Carroll, Ashland.

Locust Mountain Hospital: James Heaton, Gilberton; Bernard Caserly, New Boston.

HAD LEG INJURED Frank Carroll, of Ashland, is a patient in the Ashland Hospital suffering from injuries of the leg received while at work at McCormick's garage in Ashland.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL NEWS

Two Mahanoy City young men who are students at Muhlenberg College, Allentown, are spending the holidays at their homes. They will resume their studies on Jan. 5th.

They are William Bradley, son of Mrs. Mae Bradley, and Harry L. Brobst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Brobst, both of East Centre street. Both are seniors at the college and are taking pre-ministerial work.

Miss Helen Lashinsky returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., where she is employed after visiting at the parental home at 1214 East Centre street.

Misses Nancy Morrison and Mary Lou Dirschel, both of Pottsville, will be chairmen of the annual Christmas dance to be sponsored by the regional chapter of the College of Chestnut Hill Alumnae. The dance will be held on Christmas night at the Necho Allen Hotel, Pottsville. The ballroom will be beautifully decorated and many surprises have been planned which everyone will enjoy. Horace Richards has been engaged to furnish music.

The annual Christmas party for the members and their friends of the Junior Woodmen Circle was held last evening in Faith Episcopal parish hall. Games appropriate to the season were played and prizes awarded. A lighted Christmas tree added an effective note to the affair.

Miss Lois Quin had charge of the games and a lunch was served by Mrs. Carrie Newhard, Mrs. Mary Engle, Mrs. Elva Pierson, Mrs. Irene Wagner and Miss Harriet Lohak. Upon leaving each child was presented with a box of candy and an orange.

Members attending were Junior Beynon, Francis Long, Anthony Cimei, Carol Engle, William Hylan, William Reed, Dorothy Ann Young, Amelia Cimei, Lubov Simms, Sally Hyland, Ruth and Elizabeth Borer, Fay Brill, Evelyn Lloyd, Jerry Sis-cavage and each brought a guest.

Three neighbors will observe their birthday anniversaries on Christmas Day when Natalie Alessie, 724 East Railroad street; William Mellon, 722 East Railroad street; and George Geopfert, 723 East Centre street, all celebrate the occasions of their natal day.

Mr. and Mrs. William DeLong, of 931 West Centre street, will observe their forty-first wedding anniversary on Christmas Day. They were married here by the Rev. Garbutt Reed, pastor of the Methodist church here at that time.

Today, December 24th is the ninth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Withey, of Bowman's. Mrs. Withey before her marriage was Miss Irene Jones, of Craigs.

Among the local residents who will observe their birthdays on Christmas Day are: Mrs. Helen Wylie, Mrs. Hazle Bachert, William Beynon, Minnie Kemery, Margaret and Priscilla Tanner.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pearson, of 535 East Markt street, will observe their eighteenth wedding anniversary on Christmas Day. Friends of the couple join in extending congratulations on the happy occasion.

John Goodman, of Detroit, Mich., former town resident, is spending the holidays at the home of his brother, Neil Goodman, at New Boston.

Mrs. Kate Sherman, of town, and Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Pope, of Pottsville, left for Ravenna, Ohio, where they will spend Christmas as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. James Seligman. Mrs. A. P. Seligman, of town, mother of Dr. Seligman, has been visiting in Ravenna in recent weeks.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

FROM

Frackville, Gilberton, Maizeville and Mahanoy Plane

Order Of Service At St. Peter's Tomorrow

Rev. J. M. Witmer announces the following order of service in St. Peter's Evangelical and Reformed church Christmas morning at six o'clock.

Solo-Dick Burduss, ProceSSIONAL Hymn, Invocation-Choir, Congregational Hymn. Also solo, The Angels Sing-Mrs. Kenneth Fry.

Violin Obligato-James Straub. Duet, Room In My Heart For Thee, from the cantata, The Everlasting Light-Andy Spence, Bob Reynolds.

Junior Anthem, Look Above Ye Shepherds. Duet, Clarinet and Trumpet-Hilda Rowse and Harry Rupp. Congregational Hymn, Christmas Message. Senior Choir anthem, Rejoice and Be Exceeding Glad. Benediction. Recessional Hymn. Organ Postlude.

Miss Priscilla Murphy Bride Lawrence Keiffer

Mrs. Priscilla Murphy, of South Second street announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Helen Murphy, R. N., to Pvt. Lawrence Keiffer, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Keiffer, Sr.

The ceremony took place at the Air Base, Jackson, Miss., Saturday, where Private Keiffer is stationed. The bride is a graduate of Frackville high school and the Ashland State Hospital Training School for Nurses and had been employed at Mt. Sinai Hospital at Philadelphia.

Private Keiffer is also a graduate of Frackville high school, Bloomsburg State Teachers' College and had been employed as a teacher at Unionville, South Carolina.

PRIV. EUGENE MURPHY SAFE

Mrs. Priscilla Murphy, of South Second street received word her son, Private Eugene Murphy, stationed in Hawaii is safe and happy.

John Kurshana Is Buried On Tuesday

The funeral of John Kurshana, who died several days ago at the Ashland State Hospital, was held from his late home on John street, Tuesday morning and was largely attended by relatives and friends.

A solemn requiem mass was celebrated in St. Joseph's church by Rev. Thomas McCrossen as celebrant, Rev. S. J. Garstka as deacon and Rev. George P. Boyle as sub-deacon.

The pall bearers were Peter and Edward Stabinsky, Joseph Buckley, Edward Dixon, Peter Gray and Joseph Sankers.

Burial took place in the parish cemetery. William Menkewicz was the undertaker in charge.

GREETINGS FROM EUROPE

Henry Baney, well known town and former Gilberton resident, received a letter extending Christmas greetings from his sisters from Schoefland, Switzerland. The letter stated his relatives were all well and expressed a wish that the New Year would bring peace to war stricken Europe and that God may protect our land as he has protected them and their Switzerland.

The letter was mailed November 3d and arrived in Frackville Dec. 20th.

METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

Rev. Ward K. Shultz will conduct services Christmas morning at six o'clock in the First Methodist Church.

The Girls' Chorus will sing and other special musical numbers will be presented. A large attendance is looked forward to.

CATHOLIC CHURCH MASSES

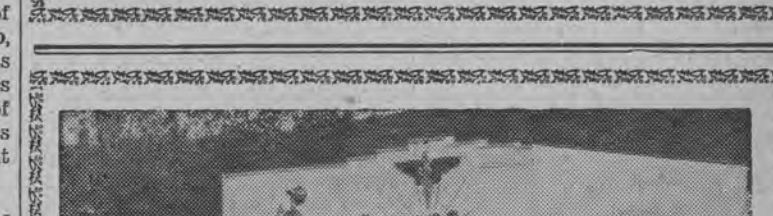
Masses in St. Joseph's Catholic Church will be held at 5:30, 8:00 and 10:00 o'clock.

In St. Anne's Church 6:00, 8:00 and 10:00 o'clock. Annunciation B. V. M. Church 6:00, 8:00 and 10:00 o'clock.



CHRISTMAS is a time of unselfishness, contentment and a time of cheer. May these ideals be before you at this holiday season and throughout the New Year. We appreciate the patronage our friends have given us and shall strive to serve you even better during 1942.

State Theatre STAFF and MANAGEMENT William S. Warning, Mgr.



Happy Holidays

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Stewart Says: TODAY'S RADIO PROGRAM

Shake-up in Hawaii Shows Washington Holds Plane Highly

By CHARLES P. STEWART
Central Press Columnist

AVIATION not only has developed itself, since World War No. 2 started, into a fighting arm at least as important as land armies and surface navies, and may be even more important than they are, but also, to judge by air-men's predictions, it's destined to make railroads as extinct as stage coaches after the present strife's over.

The selection recently of two hard-boiled flyers, Generals Philip Johnson and C. E. Mink, for virtual command of Hawaii's defense forces, in connection with the military shake-up there, testified to Washington's estimate of the planes' consequence in the warfare of today and the future. The Hawaiian reorganization didn't call off Supreme Justice Owen J. Roberts' committee's investigation of the previous management of the islands' defensive equipment, but it did emphatically stress recognition of the vital necessity of competent control overhead, both protective and offensive.

Warplane requirements, however, have done more than supply craft needed for belligerent purposes. They've shown to plane makers what they're capable of in the production of huge vessels suitable for the transportation of enormous loads, of freight as well as passengers.

Just now their plants are more than fully occupied in filling governmental orders, but they're looking ahead to a tremendous expansion in their industry for subsequent peacetime utility.

Planes as Carriers
President Philip Johnson of the Boeing Aircraft company already has suggested aviation's possibilities as carriers in developing practically transportationless countries, which are only awaiting such facilities to be settled up. Railroad and highway building is so expensive and takes so long that capital's difficult to find for it. Furthermore, it would take quite awhile for it to begin yielding returns.

I've had occasion to refer before to South America's dependence upon aviatorial travel. The continent's scarcely tapped by rail and its highways are of the most primitive sort. Besides, over a vast expanse of it, rail and highways can be kept navigable only by everlasting attention and tinkering, or the jungle eats 'em up. The country's vastly rich in resources, but it has stayed largely uninhabitable because settlers, even if they succeeded in getting in, couldn't get out. With aviation's advent, the Latins took to it like a dog to a bone, much faster than we did in the United States. Hitherto, though, it's been equal to not much more than passenger and mail carrying, very little freight.

Africa and the greater part of Asia are in the same fix. If post-war planes can do what such experts as Phil Johnson promises, these realms are due to draw like magnets from overpopulated parts of the earth. As to the southern half of Asia, it's frightfully crowded now, but the northern half isn't, and neither are South America and Africa, except in a few small spots.

It's true that big planes run into considerable money to build, but nothing like the figures involved in manufacturing surface rolling stock, and they ask for no roadbeds at all. A taking off and landing field, here and there, suits 'em perfectly.

Authorities like Phil Johnson don't forecast the extinction of railroads in the United States and Europe in any desperate rush. They do say, though, that they think there'll be less and less inclination to replace 'em, as they gradually fall into impossible disrepair, and that, in 100 years or so, there'll be a lot less of their mileage left than there is today.

Railroads Unharmful
I'm bound to say that the railroad managements don't seem in the least worried, but I don't suppose the horse-drawn coach lines did, when steam transportation was in its incipency.

For that matter, I can remember when horse traders didn't think the auto was a serious menace to the demand for their nags. Aviation, to be sure, doesn't threaten the auto as the auto threatened the horse or as the plane, maybe, threatens the railroads. Folk with stuff to ship will have to have vehicles to move it from their farms and factories to the nearest airport, and its consignees will have to have 'em to get it from THEIR nearest ports to their premises, just as we have to have delivery trucks between railroad stations and our shopping centers as of today.

Anyway, the air enthusiasts prophesy that our grandchildren, at the latest, will see railroading on the run.

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Uncle Sam needs all your waste paper—including this particular newspaper to make boxes for defense; call your local waste paper dealer when you have accumulated a 100 pounds of paper or more; your waste paper can be sold to dealers at prices ranging from 25 to 45 cents per hundred pounds.

WEDNESDAY
5:00-WEAF—President Roosevelt, at Lighting of Community Christmas Tree, White House (Also WOR, WJZ, WABC, WQXR, WNEW, WHOM)
5:30-WEAF—We, the Abbotts, Play WOR—Jack Armstrong, Sketch WJZ—Flying Patrol, Sketch WABC—The O'Neills, Sketch
5:15-WEAF—Civilian Defense WOR—Captain Midnight, Play WJZ—Tom Mix Program WABC—Scattergood Baines
5:50-WEAF—Dinning Sisters, Songs
6:00-WEAF—Variety Musicale WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—News; Music
WABC—Edwin C. Hill, News
6:15-WEAF—News Reports
WJZ—Sports—Bill Stern
WABC—Hollywood, H. Hopper
6:30-WEAF—News; Here's Morgan WEAF—First Colored Baptist Church, Nashville, Carols
WOR—Musical Appetizer
WABC—Frank Parker, Tenor
6:45-WEAF—Three Suns Music
WJZ—Lowell Thomas
WABC—The World Today
7:00-WEAF—Fred Waring Orch.
WOR—Stan Lomax, Sports
WJZ—Easy Aces—Sketch
WABC—Amos 'n' Andy, Sketch
7:15-WEAF—News; Fuhrman Orch.
WJZ—Lost Persons—Sketch
WOR—Arthur Hale, News
WABC—Lanny Ross, Tenor
7:30-WEAF—Lone Ranger, Sketch
WJZ—Spanner Orchestra
WABC—Meet Mr. Meek, Play
7:45-WEAF—Christmas Story—Kay Strozzi
8:00-WEAF—The Thin Man, Drama
WOR—Cal Timney, Comments
WJZ—The Quiz Kids
WABC—Sketch—Big Town
8:15-WEAF—Treasure Hunt
8:30-WEAF—Plantation Party
WJZ—Manhattan at Midnight
WABC—Dr. Christian—Sketch
8:45-WEAF—Sports—Red Barber
9:00-WEAF—Red Cross Show, Eddie Cantor, Deanna Durbin; Others; Speaker, Mayor La Guardia
WOR—Gabriel Heatter, News
WJZ—Christmas Eve Program at Moravian Church, Bethlehem, Pa.
WABC—Fred Allen Show
9:15-WEAF—Hoff Orchestra
9:30-WEAF—Dave Rose Orchestra
WJZ—Penthouse Party
10:00-WEAF—Kysar Orchestra
WOR—Raymond Gram Swing
WJZ—Concert Orchestra
WABC—Glenn Miller Orch.
10:15-WEAF—Spotlight Band
WJZ—Children's Choir
10:30-WEAF—Kaye Brinker Stories
WJZ—News; Steele Orchestra
10:45-WEAF—Tune Twisters, Songs
WABC—News; Dance Music
11:00-WEAF—WJZ—News; Music
WOR—News; Dance Music
WABC—From Dublin; Eamon de Valera, Prime Minister of Eire, Extending Christmas Greetings
11:15-WEAF—Washington Square Methodist Church Service
WABC—Dance Music
11:30-WEAF—Nutcracker Ballet, Dr. Frank Black, Conductor; Trinity Chimes
WABC—Monks of St. Meinrad's Abbey
12:00-WEAF—St. Patrick's Cathedral Pontifical Midnight Mass
WABC—Christmas Carol Concert, Sir Thomas Beecham, Conductor
12:30-WEAF—Mixed Chorus

THURSDAY
12:00-WEAF—News, Don Goddard
WOR—John B. Hughes, News
WJZ—Nancy Boothe Craig
12:15-WEAF—The O'Neills, Sketch
WOR—Arthur Godfrey, Songs
WJZ—Civilian Defense News
WABC—Big Sister, Sketch
12:25-WEAF—News: Farm and Home Hour
12:30-WEAF—News; Judy and Jane
WABC—Helen Trent, Sketch
12:45-WEAF—Our Gal Sunday, Play
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—I'll Find My Way, Play
WJZ—Council For Democracy Christmas Program
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful
1:15-WEAF—Government Girl, Play
WABC—Woman in White, Play
1:30-WEAF—Tony Von Scrapbook
WOR—Front Page Farrell
WABC—Right to Happiness
1:45-WEAF—Betty and Bob, Sketch
WOR—Variety Music
WABC—Road of Life, Sketch
2:00-WEAF—Biblical Drama
WOR—Norvo Orchestra
WJZ—Lopez Orchestra
WABC—Young Dr. Malone
2:15-WEAF—Mystery Man, Sketch
WJZ—Joyce Jordan, Sketch
2:30-WEAF—Valiant Lady, Sketch
WOR—News; Beauty Talk
WJZ—Into the Light, Sketch
WABC—Talk—Fletcher Wiley
2:45-WEAF—Arnold Grimm's Daughter
WJZ—In Care of Aggie Horn
WABC—Kate Hopkins, Sketch
3:00-WEAF—Against the Storm
WOR—From London: Absent Friends, Pick-Ups from All Parts of British Empire (Recorded)
WJZ—Orphans of Divorce
WABC—St. Paul's Boys Choir
7:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins, Sketch
WJZ—Honeymoon Hill, Sketch
8:30-WEAF—Guiding Light, Sketch
WJZ—John's Other Wife, Play
WABC—Renfro Valley Folks
3:45-WEAF—Vic and Sade, Sketch
WJZ—Just Plain Bill, Sketch
WABC—Talk, Homer Folks
3:55-WEAF—News Reports
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife, Play
WOR—From London: King George VI, Annual Message to the Empire (Recorded)
WJZ—Club Matinee, Variety
WABC—Play—Plot to Overthrow Christmas
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas, Sketch
WOR—Christmas Carol, Play
4:30-WEAF—Lorenzo Jones, Sketch
WOR—Happy Jim Parsons
WABC—Landy Trio, Songs
4:45-WEAF—Young Wilder Brown
WABC—News; Mary Marlin
4:55-WEAF—News; Adventure Stories
5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries
WOR—Little Orphan Annie
5:15-WEAF—Portia Faces Life
WOR—Mandrake, Sketch
WJZ—Secret City—Sketch
WABC—The Goldbergs, Sketch
5:30-WEAF—We, the Abbotts, Play
WOR—Jack Armstrong, Sketch
WJZ—Flying Patrol, Sketch
WABC—The O'Neills, Sketch
5:45-WEAF—Civilian Defense News
WOR—Capt. Midnight, Sketch
WJZ—Tom Mix Program
WABC—Scattergood Baines
5:50-WEAF—Vagabonds Quartet
6:00-WEAF—Variety Music
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—News; Allen Prescott

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| 4. Grow old | 4. On top | 28. Opera by Verdi |
| 5. Marble | 5. A fabric | 29. Soak flax |
| 6. Garden tool | 6. Live | 30. Some |
| 7. Equip | 7. Exclamation | 31. Vessels |
| 8. A foreboding | 8. Foot | 32. Female |
| 9. Conjunction | 9. Protectors | 33. French painter |
| 10. Guido's highest note | 10. Artists' cap | 34. A pasture |
| 11. They do for artists' cap | 11. Persons living near others | 35. Fanatical |
| 12. Establishes | 12. Golf ball | 36. Forest trees collectively |
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| 14. Small nail | 14. A liking | |
| 15. Germanium (sym.) | 15. Exclamation | |
| 16. A liking | 16. Sun god | |
| 17. Exclamation | 17. Passageway | |
| 18. Sun god | 18. Scandinavian myth | |
| 19. Passageway | 19. Music note | |
| 20. Scandinavian myth | 20. Exist | |
| 21. Music note | 21. Crazy | |
| 22. Exist | 22. Stop! | |
| 23. Crazy | 23. Infrequent | |
| 24. Stop! | 24. Thick | |
| 25. Infrequent | 25. Lubricant | |
| 26. Thick | 26. American Indians | |
| 27. Lubricant | 27. Talking excitedly | |
| 28. American Indians | 28. Witly saying | |
| 29. Talking excitedly | 29. Jeweled month | |
| 30. Witly saying | 30. Astringing fruit | |
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6:15-WEAF—News Reports
WJZ—Sports—Bill Stern
WABC—Wm. L. Shirer, News
6:30-WEAF—News; Here's Morgan
WJZ—Lum and Abner, Sketch
WABC—Bob Hannon, Songs
6:45-WEAF—Three Suns, Music
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7:00-WEAF—Fred Waring Orch.
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Easy Aces—Sketch
WABC—Amos 'n' Andy, Sketch
7:15-WEAF—European News
WOR—Music and Talks
WJZ—Mr. Keen—Drama
WABC—Lanny Ross, Songs
7:30-WEAF—Cugat Orchestra
WOR—News; Sports Talk
WJZ—Roh. Orch.; Chorus
WABC—Maudie's Diary, Sketch
8:00-WEAF—Frank Morgan Show
WJZ—March of Time
WABC—Death Valley Days
8:30-WEAF—Aldrich Family, Play
WOR—Boake Carter, News
WJZ—Army Camp Program

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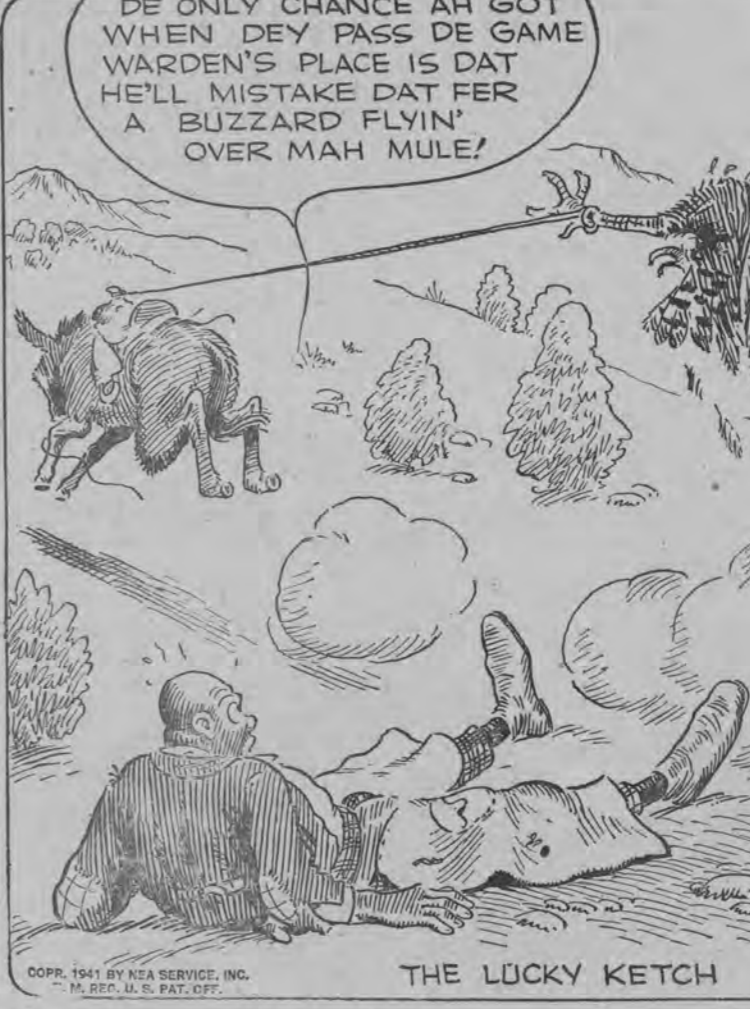
BRINGING UP FATHER



11:30-WABC—Dance Music
12:00-WEAF, WJZ—News; Music
WABC—News; Music
12:15-WEAF—News; Music
WABC—News; Music
2:00-WOR—News; Music (To 5:30)

SENTENCED TO DIE
Lexington, Ky., Dec. 23 (U.P.)—Robert H. Anderson, 36, Louisville cafe owner, and Raymond Baxter, 27, greens keeper at the Lexington Country Club, were sentenced today to die in the electric chair Feb. 21 for the slaying of Marion Miley, golf star, and her mother on Sept. 28th.
Tom Penney, 32, ex-convict, the third man convicted last Thursday in the robbery-slaying at the fashionable Lexington Country Club, will be sentenced Monday.
Anderson and Baxter were granted a 60-day stay of execution pending outcome of appeals.
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Greetings — SWIFT and TRUE

It is our sincere wish at this time that you all share well of the bounties of the Yuletide.

We extend to all our kind friends and patrons our best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and look forward eagerly to a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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Moving To Close Insane Asylums

Harrisburg, Dec. 24. (UP)—Welfare secretary E. Arthur Sweeney is expected to notify Schuylkill county commissioners before January 1 that the mental hospital at Schuylkill Haven will be closed, the United Press learned today.

Sweeney is expected to receive a report Monday classifying the institution's 572 patients. The classifications were completed by physicians of two other state hospitals, Danville and Wernersville, thus eliminating what was believed to be the last obstacle to the formal notice necessary before patients can be transferred.

Sweeney was unable to indicate how many patients would be retained under state control and how many transferred to the nearby Schuylkill county home until classifications were completed. He said the state will transfer to Danville and Wernersville all violent patients and all who are in need of medical or psychiatric care, senile patients being left in the county home.

Sweeney said he had decided to vacate the hospital because of impracticability of developing it as a state institution. Difficulties arising from the institution's unique charter led to its backwardness, he asserted.

State acquisition of all mental patients under public care was provided for by a 1937 Act, effectiveness of which was delayed by the James economy program. Republican attempts to put off its effective date by another two years were defeated in the last session.

Query Communities As To Facilities For Soldiers

Rev. C. V. O'Brien, of Annunciation R. C. church, Shenandoah, has been asked whether or not, in an emergency, he would be able to feed five hundred soldiers in the parish hall. Similar queries have been directed to other communities throughout the country and apparently are part of a defense plan already under way to enable the United States military establishment to cope with any possible situation.

It is thought that mass movements of troops may make community steps necessary and that advance arrangements are being made. The Annunciation hall can accommodate three hundred. It is understood that Father O'Brien answered in the affirmative as to the ability to serve 500 soldiers in an emergency.

VAN ALEXANDER PLAYS AT RITZ, POTTSVILLE, CHRISTMAS

The only New York band to play the region on Christmas night is Van Alexander and his Radio-Recording Band who will be at the Ritz Ballroom in Pottsville, December 25th. Alexander, who will be remembered as the composer of "A Tisket, a Tasket," and other hit songs, features Bob Preston, Jane Essex, Cut Cottler, and himself at the piano.

A DOUBLE FUNERAL

Milton, Pa., Dec. 24 (UP)—Double funeral services were held today for Mr. and Mrs. Franklin W. Klingler, victims of an automobile accident at Lewisburg.

The Klinglers were struck Saturday night by a machine driven by Roy W. Densberger, Danville, who was held in \$1,000 bail pending an inquest.

ON THEIR WAY SOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Gizara, of 525 West Maple street, together with Mrs. John Hasara, Jr., of 520 West Spruce street, are holiday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morey Potter of Harrisburg while en route to Portsmouth, Va. Mrs. Potter is the former Gertrude Gizara of town, and her husband is manager of the Harrisburg Bureau of the United Press. The local people will visit Ray and Bernard Gizara and John Hasara, all employed at the Portsmouth Navy Yard before returning home.

McADOO WOMAN DIES

Mrs. Rose Stisovain, of McAdoo, died suddenly while visiting at the home of relatives in Newark, N. J., where she had spent the past two weeks. She resided at McAdoo for the past thirty-five years and was a member of St. Mary's Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church of McAdoo. Several children and one sister survive.

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NUN STRUCK BY TRUCK

Sister M. Idephonse, formerly Agnes Schilling, of Ashland, suffered injuries of the shoulder and

hip when she was struck by a truck at Chester. Sister Idephonse, who is stationed at the Convent of Resurrection Church in Chester was struck as she crossed the street

in front of the convent on her way to mass in the church.

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No, there isn't much use to change our greetings. Though we would like to say it differently it still means the same. So please accept these sincere greetings in the same spirit they are sent from US to YOU.

We trust the New Year will open new opportunities for you and we look forward to seeing you often.

We consider it a privilege as well as a duty to serve you efficiently.

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SEASON'S BEST



As The Wise Men Came

They brought gifts of precious value to bestow their love and adoration.

Though our gifts may not be of such material value, yet, the true meaning of Christmas is the value placed on the gift.

In our world today great value is placed on the kind thoughts and best wishes of our friends. We appreciate your friendship and trust that Joy and Happiness will be yours at Christmas and during the coming year.

We pledge our best efforts in serving you and you can expect courteous, efficient service at every visit.

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To you our loyal friend and patron we send greetings. You have stood by us so graciously in the past we would feel we had failed if we did not take advantage of this opportunity of thanking you. May Happiness and Success be yours during Christmas and the New Year.

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A Merry Wish For Christmas

We fear that our words may sound a bit old-fashioned as they've been used so often before, but they express exactly what we mean. In all sincerity, we say—

May Your Christmas Be One of Mirth and Good Cheer and Enough Happiness To Last Through the New Year

GEORGE J. KEISER
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BEST WISHES For —the YULETIDE

The true spirit of Christmas stirs our hearts to a new feeling of warmth for mankind, and challenges us to face a New Year with determined effort to make a success of each opportunity offered.

Happy New Year To You

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To All of You...

We Wish the Merriest Christmas You Have Experienced and May the New Year Be Gracious To You.

We would feel ungrateful if we did not accept this opportunity of thanking you for your kindness to us and your patronage during the past year. It is our pleasure to serve you.

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Something Secure

In these turbulent times it is with a sign of relief we turn to something steadfast, something secure to cling to—we refer to Christmas with its spirit of hope, of peace and happiness that has continued throughout the years and has stood the test of time. May this true spirit be visited upon you and yours that you may find real happiness through Christmas and the New Year.

MAHANAY CITY SOCIAL CLUB

A Wedding At Grier City On Christmas Day

The Grier City Holiness Christian Church will be the scene of a pretty wedding Christmas evening at 7:00 o'clock when Miss Valera Elizabeth Wetty, daughter of the pastor, the Rev. Joseph J. Wetty, and Mrs.



Valera Wetty

Wetty, will be united in marriage with Charles William Funk, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Funk, of Weatherly.

The ceremony will be performed by the bride's father, the Rev. Mr. Wetty.

The attendants for the ceremony will be Miss Helen Funk, of Weatherly, a sister of the bridegroom, and Miss Rhoda Wetty, of Grier City, a sister of the bride.

The bride, a charming brunette, will be attired in a blue crepe dress with a shoulder corsage of tea roses.

Her attendants will wear dresses of pink crepe, with corsages of white roses.

The bride's mother will be attired in a dress of orchid shade, and her corsage will be of talisman roses.

The bridegroom's mother will wear a blue dress and her corsage will be of talisman roses also.

Following the ceremony, a reception in honor of the newlyweds will be held at the Wetty home.

Later the couple will leave for Pottstown R. D. 2, where they will reside. For traveling, the bride will wear a pink ensemble.

The bride, a graduate of the Pottstown high school, has been employed at the Boy-Craft factory, town.

The bridegroom, who attended the Weatherly schools, is employed by the New England Auto Parts Co., at Pottstown.

The many regional friends of the couple extend congratulations.

To Present Cantata In Zion Baptist Church

The children of the Junior Department of Zion Baptist Church will present a cantata entitled "Trouble in Toyland" and will be given Christmas night at 7:00 o'clock. The play is under the direction of Mrs. Allen Schoffstall, Mrs. George Thomas, Mrs. John Wylie. The music is under the direction of Earl Bevelheimer, and the pianist Miss Mary Edwards. Members of the cast are as follows:

Elves—Catherine Durkin, Eleanor Powell, Peggy Anne Hughes, Jean Llewellyn.

French Doll—Dorothy Hughes, Rubber Doll—Joan Rossbach.

Twin Baby Dolls—Eileen Durkin, Nancy Rae Powell.

Aunt Dinah—Nancy Durkin, Chinese Doll—Shirley Bevelheimer.

Dutch Doll—Mildred Harris, Indian Doll—Jean Powell, Clown Doll—Lorell Heebler.

Jack-in-the-Box—Clifford Bevelheimer, Trouble—Peggy Evans.

Wooden Soldiers—Teddy Humes, James Heckler, Jackie Llewellyn, Henry Johns, Walter Edwards.

The public is invited to attend.

ARMY AIRMEN BAIL OUT

Winterset, Ia., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Wreckage of a C-33 Douglas transport plane was strewn today over a farm near here where five parachuting army airmen landed safely from their falling craft.

None of the fliers was injured bailing out. Both motors of the plane failed yesterday while it was en route from North Platte, Neb., to Moline, Ill. Poor visibility barred an attempt to land the plane.

The crew included Lieut. C. W. Himes, Norman, Okla.; Lieut. M. M. Coleman, Denver; Lieut. B. R. Fleet, Tiffin, O.; Technical Sgt. E. Payne, Tyertown, Miss., and Corp. F. J. Keel, Ardmore, Okla. Fleet was stationed at Middletown, Pa., and the others at Ogden, Utah.

BEFORE ALIEN BOARD

Philadelphia, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The case of Dr. Hermann Ranke, world-famed German Egyptologist who is a visiting professor at the University of Pennsylvania, was before the district enemy alien board today.

Ranke, former Heidelberg University professor, was among 10 aliens whose cases were heard yesterday.

It was expected that the cases of both Ranke and Princess Stephanie Hohenlohe-Waldenbourg-Schillingsfurst would be considered further when hearings are resumed Friday.

Our business is your business—Advertising means business for both of us!



Holiday Greetings

Please accept our personal message to you in which we wish for you a day full of Joy and Contentment and a year that is brimming with Happiness and Prosperity.

RAYMOND J. GRAZEL
FUNERAL DIRECTOR



Greetings—

And BEST WISHES For A Gay CHEERY HOLIDAY

May all things good and desirable come to you on Christmas Day and may the New Year about to dawn bring a rich fulfillment of your ambitions. We appreciate the confidence you have placed in us by your past patronage and we shall continue to serve you to the best of our ability.

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The Christmas Star

Because the wise men followed the star they showed us the true spirit of Christmas, that by giving gifts of love we receive the blessings of Christmas which means peace and joy. We want to wish for you and yours a Christmas and New Year filled with lasting joy.

CHARLES F. RECKLITIS
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The Very Best Is Wished You Here For Christmas And The Coming Year

During the years we have brought our greetings at Christmas we have always desired the best for you and this year is no exception. With more warmth, if possible, we extend the Season's Greetings.

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May We Come In?

Thank you. We just couldn't pass up this opportunity to step into the warmth and cheerfulness of your home on this Christmas and extend our Greetings to you and yours.

May Your Christmas Be One of Joy and Your New Year Filled With Happiness

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CHRIST'S BIRTH

By REV. MARTIN SLABEY

The greatest day in all the history of the world, was that day upon which Jesus was born.

It was a fulfillment of that which had been foretold by God's prophets. Jesus in every particular corresponded to the prophecy of the Jews about the Messiah. It was the birth of the Son of God. He was begotten by the Holy Spirit and born of a virgin. This statement is sometimes ridiculed, but it is true or false, if it is false then the old prophets of God were deceived as they looked into the future in their day and told the world of this very event and described it just as it happened; therefore it is true.

It was the birth of the Saviour of man. He brought a great salvation to us. When the fullness of time came, God sent the Saviour whom he had promised. That Saviour is Jesus Christ, who became man, and lived and suffered and died on earth, that he might redeem us from our sins.

It was God clothing Himself in human flesh that He might live among us a sinless life and pay the debt of sinful man to the throne of justice by the sacrifice of His pure and spotless life.

The birth of Jesus, the appearance of a great light. A light that came to shine in dark places. He came to seek and save those who were in darkness or lost. He said of Himself, "I am the light of the world."

Jesus had a very humble beginning. He was born in a manger and in poverty, with no room for Him in the inn. He humbled Himself. The life He lived and His glorious resurrection and ascension, were all proof of His teaching: "He that humbled himself shall be exalted."

As Christ's chief glory is of self-giving, so the chief glory of Christmas is in its gifts. To get the most out of Christmas, give the most to Christmas. The Christmas star has five points: Love, happiness, thoughtfulness, generosity, gratitude.

Barnesville Evangelical Church Program

Following is the Christmas program of the Barnesville Evangelical church to be held Christmas night. The program is in charge of Mrs. Alvin Herring and Mrs. Harold Kellman. The music is to be directed by Mrs. Thomas Fritz:

Prelude by Miss Eleanor Blew. Song, by choir, O Come All Ye Faithful.

Responsive reading by Supt. Ebert Faust.

Prayer by Rev. R. A. Feather. Song by choir, When Love is King.

Manger scene: Mary, Thelma Banks; Joseph, Charles Everts; Shepherd, Jack Faust; Elmer Banks, Wac Men.

Soloist, Mrs. Feather, Reciting, Dorothy Faust.

Choir sings Joy To the World. Recitation, A Merry Christmas by Dorothy Herring.

Recitation, A Wee Little Girl by Ruth Faust.

Recitation, A Bow, a Smile, a Wish by David Faust.

Exercise, The Christmas Message by Arlene Brobst, Dorothy Herring and Colleen Herbig.

Primary song, Joy Bells Ring. Recitation, The Christ Child by Shirley Faust.

Recitation by John Kellman. Song by choir, Joy Bells Ring.

Exercise, Jesus by David Faust, Irene Herring, Constance Fritz, Shirley Faust and Charles Fritz.

Recitation, The Christmas Spirit by Dorothy Brobst.

Exercise, What Makes a Merry Christmas by Elizabeth Thompson, Mae Kellman, Geraldine Herbig, Mary Lou Kellman and Dorothy Brobst.

Recitation, Used To Giving by Wilbur Faust.

Remarks by Rev. Feather. Offering.

Solo by David Faust. Exercise, Their Christmas Presents by Dorothy Faust, Guy Faust, Geraldine Herbig, Wilbur Faust, Dorothy Herring, Elizabeth Thompson and Charles Faust.

Duet by Marguerite Fritz and Thelma Banks.

Recitation, A Merry Christmas by Charles Fritz.

Recitation, A Christmas Wish by Irene Herring.

Recitation, A Fairy by Constance Fritz.

Song by choir, Peace On Earth Good Will To Men.

A saw selection by Mr. Blew accompanied by his daughter Eleanor.

Bed Time Story by Thelma Banks, Charles Faust, Mae Kellman, Dorothy Herring, Mary Lou Kellman and Charles Everts.

Recitation, Good Night by Charles Faust.

Announcements and benediction by Rev. R. A. Feather. Everybody welcome.

SISTERS ENGAGED TO WED

At a party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Howells, of Jeddo, near Hazleton, announcement was made of the engagement of their daughter, Olive, to Rev. Willis Browning, and of their daughter, Martha Ann to Rev. Philip Scott. Both young women were graduated from Hazleton High School, Dickinson Junior College and at present are students at Boston University. Rev. Browning is a student at Boston University School of Theology and Rev. Scott was graduated from that school last June.

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Remembering the spirit of Christmas and how it has brought abundant happiness to people during the years past, we want to greet you and wish for you:

"Good Cheer For The Yuletide And A New Year Of Joy And Peace"

We appreciate your friendly attitude toward our business and hope you will give us the opportunity to serve you during 1942.

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Are prepared to sell you Defense Stamps. Help America by buying Defense Stamps! Place Your Order with your Carrier Boy!

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Christmas And The New Year

We would like for our greeting at this time to convey a twofold message.

First, we want to wish for you the merriest Christmas you have ever experienced.

Then, we want to thank you for past patronage and ask to be given the opportunity of serving you during the coming year.

W. W. HORROBIN
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If All the Good Wishes in the World Were Put Together They'd Express Our Christmas Greetings To You

JOSEPH DRAPER — Fine Cold Meats and Groceries
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A Wee Bit O' Greeting We Wish To Convey — A Good Year To You and the Merriest Christmas Day!

EDNA LAZAREWICZ CAFE
900 EAST CENTER STREET



Joy to you on Christmas Day and may the coming year see the fulfillment of all your fondest dreams.

ZELLER'S STORE
139 EAST MAHANOY STREET



A New Christmas Bringing You New Joy — Is Our Wish For the Yuletide Season.

H. ECK GARAGE
1012-18 EAST MAHANOY STREET



A New Christmas Bringing You New Joy — Is Our Wish For the Yuletide Season!

FRANK YOUCH — REGISTERED PLUMBER
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If All the Good Wishes in the World Were Put Together They'd Express Our Christmas Greetings To You

MATTY WITTMER
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Greetings To You and Yours For a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous, Happy New Year

J. M. LUCYK
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You Deserve the Joys We Wish You — So Let Us Repeat Our Good Wishes To You Now!

JACK HESS CAFE
239 EAST CENTER STREET



Here's to your Christmas! May it be a merry one, and rich!

JOE BURDULIS CAFE
32 SOUTH MAIN STREET



A merry time we wish to you on Christmas and the whole year through!

JOHN LUKE, FLORIST
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A merry, merry Christmas and may your New Year be the best ever.

WILLIAM E. BARR PRINTING



Everything you want will come your way — that is our wish for you.

PRENSKY BROS.
109 EAST CENTER STREET



A very merry Christmas to you and yours with joy and happiness multiplied.

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In true Christmas spirit we extend to you the season's greetings

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Of all the good things in this world we wish you the very jolliest best!

JOSEPH SHUKAITIS
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Again we say—we wish you a jolly and merry Christmas for 1941!

HELEN'S CAFE
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We Hope You Enjoy This Christmas More Than Any On Your Records!

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After the Season Is Over — Remember We Wish You All That Is Good All Year!

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You're In For a Yule of Greater Cheer This Year! We Greet You.

MacKINLAY'S GARAGE
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Allow Us To Express Our Wishes That You Enjoy the Season's Good Things.

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May This Be One of the Most Exciting Christmases You Ever Enjoyed.

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May This Christmas Merriment Last You All Year!

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The Best of Everything Be Yours On Christmas!

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Here's To a Christmas of Utmost Fun and Holiday Cheer!

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Spend a Joyous Christmas and Remember Our Good Wishes

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The Season's Joys Be Yours — What More Can We Wish You!

McGROARTY'S HOSEY SHOPPE
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Christmas Lights Will Shine and Make Your Days More Joyous!

RIVERSIDE CAFE
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May This Be a Yule Season of Glowing Cheer and Good Fun.

BRITZ CAFE
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Merry, and Gay May Your Yule Season Be. Accept Our Best Wishes In Good Faith.

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May We Help You Bring Christmas Joys To Those You Want To Remember Dearly

KOZY KORNER
601 EAST PINE STREET



Here's To a Roundup of All That Is Worthwhile For You!

SUPREME MEAT MARKET
WILBUR WEBB
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Climb On the Bandwagon of Joy Starting With This Christmas!

MARINA'S PLACE
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Heartiest Good Wishes For Your Holiday Cheer, with Good Fellowship and Joy Sincere

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As We Hear The Glad Christmas Carols Each Year

It brings a warm feeling into our hearts and a thrill to hear "The First Noel"; "Away in a Manger" and the other anthems sung at Christmas.

May You Experience This Feeling and May It Last Through the New Year Is the Best We Could Wish For You

THOMAS J. NOONAN
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Our Greetings At This Happy Yuletide Season

We feel deeply grateful to our friends who have so loyally stood by us and we would like to wish each of you a Yuletide of great joy. May your New Year be a fulfillment of all your dreams and may success crown your every effort.

Bohorad's
CLOTHING STORE

AFTER ALL THERE'S NOTHING LIKE
A Good Old-fashioned
Christmas

So With Old Time Sentiment We Wish
For You and Yours

A Merry Christmas And A
Happy New Year

A. P. McLAUGHLIN
CHIEF OF POLICE



May This Be A Day And
Season Of Joy

When Christmas comes each year, we think of our friends with true appreciation of their value.

That your heart will echo and re-echo the melody of the spirit of Christmas making Peace and Happiness for you is our sincere wish.

D. G. McCANN
McCANN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS



SINCERE GREETINGS
FOR THE YULETIDE

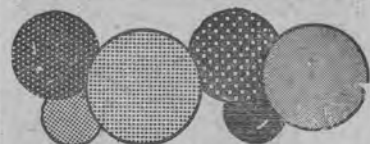
For you and yours we are wishing a Christmas of Good Cheer and may you be blessed with

HEALTH, WEALTH AND
HAPPINESS

During the Year.

DR. E. H. McCUE

THEY Here and There
MAKE NEWS



Leads Dutch
Air Fighters



Maj. Gen. L. H. van Oyen commands the Royal Netherlands East Indies Air Force in its battle with the allies against the axis in the Far East.

Willkie Sees FDR



Wendell L. Willkie

Wendell L. Willkie speaks to a reporter as he arrives at the White House for a luncheon appointment with President Roosevelt. It is rumored the 1940 presidential candidate may accept an important government position.

Held as Seditious



Herman D. Kissenger

C. P. Phonephoto
A Kansas City, Mo., attorney, Herman D. Kissenger pleaded not guilty when arraigned in a federal court on a charge of sedition. He was charged with writing a letter to Rep. Dingle of Mich., declaring President Roosevelt should be impeached and that responsibility for the Pearl Harbor catastrophe rest on the shoulders of Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox.

Anti-Aircraft
Unit Commander



Maj. Gen. Sanderford Jarman heads a provisional First Army Anti-Aircraft Artillery Company by appointment of Gen. Hugh A. Drum, commander of the First Army.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

May Jolly Old Saint Nicholas descend your chimney with a load of good things for your entire household.

After your Christmas Joy may you have an entire year of

GOOD LUCK and HAPPINESS!

Elks Grill

"JIM" LALLY, Steward



TO OUR FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

Merry Christmas

MAY THIS DAY, CHRISTMAS, 1941, BE LONG REMEMBERED

We would feel that we had not been grateful if we failed at this time to express our thanks for your friendship and patronage. It is our privilege to serve you at all times.

CHAS. S. PARMLEY
INSURANCE AGENCY

THEY Here and There
MAKE NEWS

Sweater Girl of '41



Margaret Landry

Margaret Landry, of Baton Rouge, La., is the sweater girl of 1941, winning the title over 5,000 girls from all sections of the country in a contest to select the typical American girl dressed in the most typical American costume of a tissue knit sweater and skirt. She receives \$500 and a free trip to New York City.

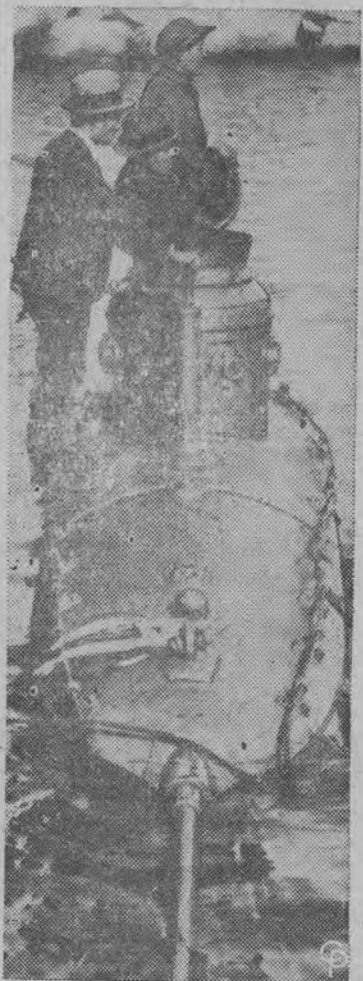
Breaks with Japan



Pres. Avila Camacho

Following the Japanese attack on U. S. territory in the Pacific, Pres. Avila Camacho of Mexico defines his country's position. Our south of the border neighbor has broken off diplomatic relations with Japan. Two of Camacho's military chiefs are shown standing behind him.

Jap Sub for Three



Here is one of the tiny submarines used by the Japanese in the sneak raid on Pearl Harbor. The submarines are built to be operated by three men. Secretary of the Navy Knox said three Japanese submarines were sunk at Hawaii.

An Old-Fashioned Christmas Greeting

In the finest manner we know. To you—and you—and you—we give our best wishes for a day filled with good cheer and the spirit that makes Christmas the greatest day of days.

To our friends and patrons we extend our sincere thanks for the kindness by which you marked our business. To one and all, we extend our hopes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year and promise everything in our power will be done to make it a memorable 1942.

JOE KLEIN'S CAFE

130 West Center Street

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JOE KLEIN

Rotarians Hold Their Annual Christmas Party

In conjunction with its regular weekly dinner meeting, last evening, the Mahanoy City Rotary Club held its annual Christmas party at the Elks' grill.

The program was in charge of Michael Kaczmarczyk, who played the role of Santa Claus in the distribution of gifts to the assembly. He was assisted by Shirley McCann, talented young daughter of President Dwight G. McCann, who supplied the entertainment of the evening.

These recitations were "Jimmy Crickets," "A Visit From Santa," and "I Am An American."

Informality was the order of the evening and the customary business

period was dispensed with for the occasion. The session was marked by a one hundred per cent attendance of the membership.

VALUE OF STATE'S CROPS

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The Federal-State crop reporting service disclosed today that value of the 1941 field and fruit crops in the Commonwealth was nearly 15 per cent greater than that for 1940.

RESIGNS STATE JOB

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The Agriculture Department has announced the resignation of Rita Parke, Narberth, as stenographic clerk at \$1,080 a year.

Use the Classified Column—it pays

To Make Way for the Armed Forces!

Long-Haul Communications are a Vital Factor in a Two-Ocean War

.... We ask that on Christmas Eve and on Christmas Day telephone greetings, particularly by Long Distance, be reduced to the absolute minimum—to make way for the armed forces.



THE BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY
OF PENNSYLVANIA

We Greet You In The Spirit Of Christmas



When the Yuletide Season approaches it casts its spell of Merriment, Love and Joy right in our midst

MAY THIS CHRISTMAS BE ONE OF UNUSUAL JOY FOR YOU, IS OUR WISH

Louis Truskowski

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

May Christmas Cheer And New Year Happiness Be Yours

- If this Christmas brings
- CONTENTMENT AND
- PEACE to your heart,
- then our wish for you will
- be fulfilled. We sincerely
- appreciate your
- friendship.

LIACHOWITZ'S

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MAHANOY CITY

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May Happiness, Peace And Contentment Be Yours At This Yuletide Season

We feel that this is the proper time to express to our friends, appreciation for their loyal patronage.

Elks Theatre

STAFF and MANAGEMENT

Hearty Greetings For The Yuletide Season

- With
- BEST WISHES
- For Your
- HEALTH, HAPPINESS
- and
- GOOD CHEER.
- We appreciate your
- patronage and
- good will.

MICHAEL DEARCOTT

Distributor of Select Beers

We Hasten To Bid You Merry, Merry Christmas

In humble gratitude for your generosity and good will we wish you the very merriest Christmas you have ever known and a New Year filled to the brim with—

GOOD LUCK, GOOD HEALTH AND PROSPERITY

CHEF'S RESTAURANT

HARRY BLOUMIS, Prop.

Review Of Year In American Boxing Circles

By JACK CUDDY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)
New York, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—By virtue of his second-breaking title defenses—seven of them—Joe Louis again dominated boxing during 1941—a year that provided four other noteworthy features:

(1) Clarification of disputes in the light heavy, middleweight and lightweight divisions; (2) blossoming of lively competition in the welter class; (3) pugilism's haste to help Uncle Sam, and (4) bonanza crowds attracted by Mike Jacobs' far-flung promotions.

Legendary Louis belted out six of his seven challengers, and the other, Buddy Baer, was disqualified when his seconds failed to leave the helpless giant in his corner when the bell rang for the seventh round.

Jolting Joe's march through the "bum-of-the-month" club brought his record total of defenses to 19; boosted his knockout total of 47 and his ring earnings to approximately \$2,180,000.

Despite the Detroit Negro's dominance, his near defeat by Billy Conn at the Polo grounds, June 18, provided the ring's most electrifying moments during 1941. Conn, out-weighted 25½ pounds, had the title almost in his grasp as he swarmed over the befuddled and staggering champion in the 12th round, but brilliant Billy's eagerness for a kayo brought about his own undoing in the 13th. He left a fatal opening; Louis landed with a smashing right and then battered him to the canvas for the 10-count.

Bomber Joe's other challenger victims were Red Burman (5); Gus Dorazio (2); Abe Simon (13); Tony Musto (9); Buddy Baer (7), and Lou Nova (6). Big Buddy Baer brought thrills to the fight world by knocking Louis through the ropes to the ring apron in the first round, much to Buddy's later regret.

Election of canny Abe Green as president of the National Boxing Association gave that organization at last a chief who had confidence in NBA champions and a man who desired that title disputes be cleared up. Hence he cooperated readily with Mike Jacobs, the New York commission's fair-haired promoter, in clarifying three divisional crowns.

After Billy Conn gave up the light heavy diadem for a shot at Louis' golden throne, a dispute developed that resulted ultimately in Gus Lesnevich, the NBA claimant, becoming undisputed king of the 175-pounders by trouncing the New York claimant, young Tami Mauriello. Similarly NBA champs became sole rulers in the middleweight and lightweight divisions, when Tony Zale walloped Georgie Abrams, and Sammy Angott trounced "Looney Lew" Jenkins.

Biggest upset of the year came on July 29, when Freddie "Red" Cochrane, virtually unknown welter from Elizabeth, N. J., wrested the 147-pound crown from Fritz Zivic at Newark. Moving into 1942, this division is blessed with more talent than any other class. It has Cochrane, sensational young Ray Robinson; young Kid McCoy, Marto Servo, Bob Montgomery, and the still dangerous Zivic.

The featherweight title still is in dispute, with Chalky Wright of Los Angeles recognized as champion by the New York Commission, and Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson hailed by the NBA, by virtue of two victories over Richie Lemos. Lou Salica of New York still holds the bantam title, after three successful defenses. In the flyweight division, the NBA champ is Little Dado of the Philippines; the New York Commission recognizes no 112-pound king, and the British boxing union upholds Jackie Patterson of England.

Many boxers joined the colors, most going into the navy as athletic instructors under Lieut.-Commander Gene Tunney. These included champion Cochrane, Conn, Fred Apostoli, and Marty Servo. Meanwhile champion Louis, reclassified into 1-A in the draft, expected to be called momentarily after his approaching return defense against Buddy Baer at the Garden on Jan. 9—a bout for the benefit of the navy relief. Even if drafted, he probably will be permitted furloughs for army benefit fights against Conn, and two prominent contenders, Mello Bettina and Lem Franklin.

Not since the hey-day of Tex Rickard has any promoter attracted the number of fans in one year as did Mike Jacobs in 1941—a total of 880,480 for 23 Garden bouts, three in New York ball parks and 11 out of the city. However, Jacobs set no gate records since ticket prices did not approach the fabulous amounts of the Rickard era.

FRACKVILLE MAN INJURED

Joseph Swingle, of 128 South Wylam street, Frackville, is a patient in the Ashland State Hospital, suffering from a possible fracture of the left arm, received yesterday afternoon, about 4:30 o'clock, when a coal truck he was driving figured in a sideswipe with a car operated by Frank Leby, of 146 South Lehigh avenue, Frackville.

Frackville Motor Police investigated the accident, which occurred one mile below Fountain Springs. According to reports of the accident, Leby was traveling toward Fountain Springs and Swingle was continuing in the opposite direction when the sideswipe occurred.

The Salem Church Program Tomorrow

An appropriate Christmas program will be presented tomorrow evening at seven-thirty o'clock in Salem Evangelical Congregational church when the young people of the Sunday School will present a cantata "Santa and the Givers."

A devotional service in charge of the pastor, Reverend L. R. Klinger, will open the service and the cantata will follow. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The program to be presented is as follows:

Song—Audience.
Prayer—Rev. L. R. Klinger.
Scripture Reading.
Song and Offering.
Cantata, "Santa and the Givers."
Part 1—Christmas Eve.
Part 2—Christmas Eve—a few hours later.
Part 3—Christmas morning.

Cast:
Mrs. West—Mrs. Laverne Sticker.
Her Children:
Mildred—Mary Jenkins,
Helen—Betty Faust,
Dorothy—Marian Jenkins,
Peggy—Jacqueline Faust,
Jane, their cousin—Jean St.

Their girl friends:
Edna—Zelma Burkey,
Lillian—Betty Jane Frell,
Mrs. Jones—Rose Pangonis,
Grace Jones—Jean Pangonis,
Ethel Jones—Joan Holt,
Ray—Lois Roberts,
Tom—Danny Seddon,
Ned—Paul Burkey,
Brownies—Tom Seddon and Billie Wertz.

Fairies—Mary Burkey, Betty Lord, Betty Mae Evans, Betty Seddon, Ruth Evans.
Jack Frost—Bobby Becker.

The Sunday School class taught by Rose Pangonis will sing "Away In a Manger."

Director—Miss Esther Sieger.
Pianist—Mrs. Anthony Pangonis.

Plan Testimonial For Sheriff-elect Dr. Walter

Energetic committees are arranging for the testimonial to be tendered Dr. Frank J. Walter, of Pine Grove, sheriff-elect of Schuylkill county, at the Pine Grove State Armory, Friday, December 26.

The sub-committees include members of the West End Woman's Republican Club, who with active Republican leaders of the area, have been untiring in their efforts to make the reception one of the outstanding social events in the history of Dr. Walter's home community.

The affair is expected to attract hundreds of Dr. Walter's friends from all sections of the county. According to present plans, the reception will be followed by a floor show, with refreshments to be served at 11 o'clock.

Music will be furnished for the occasion by Bob Spitzer's orchestra. Entertainment will include tersichorean interpretations by the members of Miss Thelma Hock's dancing class, and selections by Miss June Travis, of Tower City. The program also includes a variety of pastimes, including distribution of souvenirs, after which dancing will be enjoyed.

The large committee is headed by Robert Wilson, Frank Neal and Harry Dugan as co-chairmen.

TO SEAT JUDGE MORGANROTH

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Judge Charles K. Morganroth, Democrat, of Shamokin, will be commissioned as sitting judge in Northumberland county court pending disposition of an appeal contesting his reelection. The official said the commission will be issued under a provision of the elections code which requires that a certification be made whenever a county elections board submits its count, regardless of any contest.

Morganroth was certified by the county board as winner in his contest with Republican William I. Troutman, also of Shamokin. The contest, filed by Henry W. Lark, Republican county chairman of Northumberland county, will be heard before a special elections court Jan. 7.

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For A Family Like Yours—Or The One Next Door

We have a sincere wish for the

MERRIEST CHRISTMAS EVER and a Happy NEW YEAR TO COME

DR. A. T. LIACHOWITZ

U-Boats Active Off California

San Francisco, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—A Canadian freighter, the 2,410-ton Rosebank out of Vancouver, today was two days overdue at a California port and authorities feared it may have fallen prey to the Japanese submarines lurking off the coast.

The submarines, in six days of activity sometimes within sight of California coastal cities, had attacked seven United States vessels but had succeeded in sinking only one, or perhaps two. The 3,272-ton Standard Oil tanker Montebello, struck by a torpedo, shelled by the submarine's deck gun, and pelted by a smaller caliber gun, was known to have gone down. The tanker Emidio, attacked Saturday, was abandoned by its crew but the navy did not reveal whether it had been sunk.

The other five ships reached the safety of port undamaged. Lives claimed by the underwater raiders totaled five. They were all of the Emidio. All of the Montebello's crew were rescued uninjured. The navy, which combed the Pacific for the subs with every facility at its command, and the crew of other coastal steamers who continued to ply their course to keep supplies flowing between Pacific ports, knew that they were against ruthless enemy seamen.

In no case has an attacker given warning to its unarmed, lonely quarry before firing the first torpedo or the first shell. In both the cases of the Emidio and the Montebello the code of war has been ignored and the lifeboats of the escaping crews have been shelled. That was how three of the Emidio's crew members lost their lives.

Pennsylvania Farmers Reject N. Y. Milk Setup

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—State milk control commissioner John J. Snyder expressed the opinion today that it would be "impracticable" for Pennsylvania to adopt New York's control setup under which farmers receive one price for all classes of milk.

This "milk pool" system was advocated in a brief filed with the commission by Harry Polikoff, of New York, counsel for the Pennsylvania and New Jersey Ice Cream Manufacturers Association.

Under the present system, Pennsylvania farmers are paid for their milk on basis of how it is to be used, milk destined for bottled sale bringing a higher price than that intended for conversion into butter, cheese, candy, chocolate milk or other manufactured products. Snyder said that adoption of New

OUR GREETINGS For A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS And A HAPPY NEW YEAR



We know that you are busy, that there is a great deal of bustle and stir around Christmas, but we do trust you will pause long enough to realize that our greeting is sincere, wishing the best of everything for you. We have enjoyed serving you during the past year and look forward to your continued friendship and patronage. May your New Year be one of Peaceful Tranquility and Happiness beyond measure.

MILES & TIMM

"Good Clothes For Dad and Lad"

SHEPPTON MAN HONORABLY DISCHARGED; REENLISTS

Alex Karash, of Sheppton, who was honorably discharged several months ago after serving a four-year enlistment in the army, reenlisted and has been assigned to the Air Corps Replacement Center, Jefferson Barracks, Mo. The greater part of his previous term was spent at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

BABY MESCH BURIED

The funeral of Michael, fourteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mesch, of New Boston, who died in the Pottsville Hospital on Monday, was held this morning. Services were held in St. Casimir's church at nine o'clock by the Rev. Father Charles Stelmach and burial was made in the parish cemetery.

The services were largely attended and many floral offerings were in evidence. The pallbearers were Bernard Stetz, John Hadolsky, Jr., Andrew Hadolsky and Frank Zelazny. Francis Swirk was the funeral director.

TREASURY BALANCE

Washington, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Government expenses and receipts for the current fiscal year through Dec. 22: Expenses, \$10,893,690,391.80. Defense spending, \$7,731,917,930.31. Cash balance, \$3,520,975,888.52.

FREAK THUNDERSTORM

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 24. (U.P.)—A freak thunderstorm swept Lancaster County today, uprooting trees and blowing over electric poles near Strasburg. A heavy rain accompanied the high wind.



Please Accept Our Wish That Your Christmas Will Be Full Of Joy

At this happy season when the spirit of Christmas is in the hearts of mankind, we realize how much we depend on your loyalty and patronage for the success of our business.

With a heart full of gratitude we give you our unbounded good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a year ahead packed with success.

KIRCHNER & MURTIN, Inc.

Van Alexander
Composer of "A Tisket, A Tasket" and others, with his Radio Recording Band, will play the
Christmas Dance, December 25th
RITZ BALLROOM
POTTSVILLE
Dancing 8:30 to 1:00 — Admission 68c (Plus Tax) Total, 75c

Merry Christmas Party
LAKESIDE
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26th
\$650.00 for 50c
Guaranteed Awards, \$25 in Attendance Awards
Penny Games, 7:15 P. M. — Regular Games, 7:45 P. M.,
SHENANDOAH BUS, 25c — GIRARDVILLE BUS, 35c
BIG HOLIDAY PARTY
New Year's Day, 7 P. M. — Thursday, Jan. 1
\$1,000.00 for 75 Cents

Hearty Greetings
To Our
Friends and
Customers!

May your Christmas Day be a Glorious One and May Blessings Continue throughout the New Year.

LO-ADA
BEAUTY SHOPPE

You're Right—

We have always reserved the best for our customers and this is no exception to the rule.

MAY THE THINGS YOUR HEART DESIRES BE YOURS AT THIS CHRISTMAS AND MAY THE BEST OF EVERYTHING COME TO YOU DURING 1942. WE APPRECIATE YOUR PAST LOYALTY.

REGAL & BLUM
Credit Jewelers

WEISNER'S

EXTEND TO ALL
BEST WISHES FOR A
Merry Christmas
and a
Happy New Year

Claims Made By The Japanese

Tokyo, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—(Official broadcasts recorded by United Press at New York and San Francisco)—Japan claimed today that its forces were attacking Hong Kong's "last strongholds between the reservoir in the west and Mount Cameron in the east."

"From 8 A. M. to 7 P. M. Monday," they said, "a squadron of Japanese navy planes repeatedly bombed the island situated at the eastern entrance to Hong Kong island, inflicting heavy damage to the enemy pillboxes. Many direct hits were made on the military establishments there."

The dispatches boasted that 1,119 prisoners had been taken, including 118 British soldiers and 800 Indians.

Extensive aerial activity was reported, with raids on Malaya and Burma. A dispatch from "a certain Japanese air base" said barracks, a railway station, an arsenal, oil refineries and harbor facilities were blasted at Rangoon. "Most" of 15 defending planes were shot down and there were no Japanese plane losses, it was claimed.

(A British communique from Rangoon said nine Japanese bombers and a fighter plane were shot down there yesterday.)

Heavy dog-fighting was reported over the Malay peninsula, down which the Japanese are pressing toward Singapore. An airfield in central Malaya was bombed in a surprise attack Tuesday and other fields raided in northwestern Malaya with destruction of "a total of 20 British planes, thus completely destroying the strength of the British air force in this region," dispatches said.

President To Establish A War Labor Board Of Nine Men

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shop had threatened collapse of the conference. The 12 management representatives unanimously insisted on an amendment excluding consideration by the new board of closed shop demands.

They agreed, at the insistence of Moderator William H. Davis, to accept whatever decision Mr. Roosevelt made. The President ruled against excluding closed shop disputes. The government, he said, "must act in general."

"The particular disputes must be left to the consideration of those who can study the particular differences and who are thereby prepared by knowledge to pass judgment in the particular case," Mr. Roosevelt said in his letter to the conference.

"I have full faith that no group in our national life will take undue advantage while we are faced by common enemies."

The new war labor board probably will replace the National Defense Mediation Board set up nine months ago by Mr. Roosevelt to mediate disputes affecting defense. Davis, chairman of the NDMB has been mentioned as chairman of the proposed war labor board.

There appeared to be considerable support for a "judicial" body rather than a matching of industry and labor representatives, as was done in the case of the 12-man defense mediation board. In that case, membership would be selected without regard to labor or industry connections.

The first world war labor board, established in 1918 by President Woodrow Wilson, consisted of 12 members, six representing industry and six labor. Frank Walsh, labor representative and former President William Howard Taft, industry representative, were named co-chairmen.

The St. Paul's Church Programs On Christmas

Following are the Christmas Day programs at St. Paul's church:

5:30 A. M.—Instrumental Music from the church tower.
6:00 A. M.—Early dawn service.

Both the Junior and Senior Choirs will sing. The events of the Nativity will be dramatized in four scenes. In the first, Mary and Joseph are shown journeying to Bethlehem. The second portrays the angel visitation to the shepherds. In the third the three Kings of Orient appear, and in the final scene all are shown in the manger.

The cast is as follows:
Mary—Dorothy Terrill.
Joseph—Wilbur Fisher.
Kings—Hilbert Bankes, Joseph Thompson, Charles Wagner.
Shepherds—Ronald Smith, Joseph Bankes, William Bankes.
Angels—Grace Goudge, Evelyn Hall.

Scenery—Gerald Gabbert, William Faust, William Barr.
Directors—Ruth Hall, Elva Barr.
Organist—Mrs. Charles A. Thomas.

The Pastor.
The Choir.

In addition to the morning service, there will be a Young People's Christmas breakfast at 7:15; and a service of infant baptism at 9:30 o'clock.

The evening service of carol and candlelight will begin at 7:00 P. M. The Senior Choir will sing and the Christmas message will be presented by Garnet Adams.

BIRTHDAY TOMORROW
Mary Ann Ryan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ryan, of 618 East Market street, will be one year old on Christmas Day.



Hey! You rookies! Phil Silvers and Jimmy Durante have a run-in with authority in the person of Joe Sawyer (center) in their new comedy, "You're in the Army Now," which is showing Christmas, Friday and Saturday, at the Elks Theatre.

A Bombardment Of Laughs In The Elks Theatre Christmas Attraction

The lighter side of army life is the subject of the Elks next attraction, "You're in the Army Now," which opens on Christmas Day with the trip of Jimmy Durante, Phil Silvers and Jane Wyman heading a regiment of roars. Also featured in the comedy's cast are Regis Toomey, Donald McBride, Joseph Sawyer, Clarence Kobb, as well the Navy Blues Sextette, and Matty Malneck's orchestra.

"You're in the Army Now" takes rookies Durante and Silvers over the rocks in uproarious fashion. It seems the recruiting sergeant was just minding his own business when along come these two vacuum cleaner salesman who try to high pressure him into buying their wares. But the sergeant proves to be a better salesman than they, and little knowing what he is letting the army in for, he signs them up. The unit to which they're assigned is a cavalry unit which is being mechanized. The boys fall in wholeheartedly with a plot to convince their die-hard colonel that tanks are more efficient than horses. Not that they really think so, but simply because they want to help along the romance of the colonel's pretty daughter. She's in love with the young officer who is assigned to the job of mechanizing the unit, and papa is so mad over the whole thing that the young people don't stand a chance without some outside assistance. With Durante and Silvers at the helm, the plot succeeds at a merry pace with laugh following laugh with the rapidity of machine gun fire.



J. Carrol Nash and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., are brewing trouble as well as stew in this scene from "The Corsican Brothers," the Dumas adventure romance produced by Edward Small and showing at the Victoria Theatre, Christmas Day, Friday and Saturday.

"Corsican Brothers," Gala Holiday Attraction At The Victoria Theatre, Starting Christmas

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., one of the screen's most popular personalities, returns to the screen as the swash-buckling hero of the Alexandre Dumas classic, "The Corsican Brothers," which will have its local premiere at the Victoria theatre on Christmas Day.

Directed by Gregory Ratoff and based on the screen adaptation by Howard Estabrook, "The Corsican Brothers" not only brings Doug, Jr. back to the screen after a four-teen-month absence but stars him in a dual role. His leading lady in the film is Ruth Warrick, and others who are featured in the supporting cast include Henry Wilcoxon, Akim Tamiroff, J. Carrol Nash, John Emery, H. B. Warner and Gloria Holden.

Briefly, the story of "The Corsican Brothers" involves a vendetta between two powerful Corsican families. The feud is carried on to the following generation, when the twin brothers of the destroyed Franchi family decide to avenge the murder of their parents by Baron Colonna. Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., portrays the twin brothers of Corsica of the 1850's—brothers who are emotionally and temperamentally so close in spirit that when they are separated, each experiences the same thoughts and reactions as the other.

BINGO! BINGO!
TOMORROW NIGHT
West End Fire Co. Hose House
SOCIAL QUARTERS, WEST CENTRE STREET
TWENTY-FIVE \$3.00 GAMES!
NO AWARD UNDER ONE DOLLAR
SPECIALS — FOUR DOOR PRIZES
Penny Games 8:00 P. M. — Regular Games 8:30 P. M.
POSITIVELY NO CHILDREN ALLOWED

AN ALL-AMERICAN WISH

May Your Christmas be Joyous and may your New Year be one of freedom and individual happiness which is our true heritage.

THE SMOKE SHOP

It Pays To Advertise

Award D. S. C. To 75 Army Fliers

Washington, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—The War Department revealed today that 75 U. S. army fliers who made a secret mass flight from Honolulu to the Philippines last September in four-engine bombers have been recommended to President Roosevelt for distinguished flying crosses.

The distinguished flying cross is the highest air award made outside of those given for actual combat.

The pilot of one of the bombers was Capt. Colin P. Kelly, Jr., who was killed after scoring three direct hits and sinking the 29,000-ton Japanese battleship Haruna during Japan's attack on the Philippines early this month. The award will be made posthumously as was the distinguished service cross.

The mass flight, carried out to strengthen Philippine defenses, was described by the War Department as a trip "which ranks as one of the greatest in aviation history." It began Sept. 5 and was completed Sept. 12 without accident or injury.

The officers and men designated for the honor, in addition to Kelly include:

Lieutenant Edward C. Teats, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Technical Sergeant John M. Geckler, Clifton Heights, Pa.; Privates—William A. Knortz, Haddonfield, N. J.; James E. Schoen, Bellaire, Pa.

Tire Rationing Boards Are To Be Set Up In Pennsylvania

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commodities vital to national defense. He emphasized, however, that there will be "very few tires sold for private automobiles."

The Governor said he was confident the system would be in operation by Jan. 5, end of the current ban on sale of new tires.

"We moved as fast as was humanly possible to establish the state's rationing system—in fact, we couldn't have moved faster," he explained. "We first learned about the proposal last Thursday and started the job as soon as we were certain we had Federal and state authority to do it."

He pointed out that motor vehicle owners, aggrieved by local board decisions, will have the right of appeal. Dealers will be permitted to sell tires only on presentation of certificates approved by the rationing boards.

James said he expected to have names of 1,266 local board members on his desk by end of the week.

Today's War Moves

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on how many men and planes he has been able to spare from Russia, where he is on the defensive along a vast front. The Russian campaign has been by no means stabilized for the winter. In view of the German retreat and the fury of the Russian assault, it seems unlikely that Hitler can spare much from the east if he is to establish firm winter lines to the rear of his present positions.

With the French fleet in his hands, however, Hitler could cause the British serious trouble in the western and central Mediterranean. French submarines could be used to disrupt British sea communications. Surface vessels, working with planes, could improve Axis communications with Libya. At present, the British estimate that 60 per cent of Axis supply ships and transports never reach Africa.

Hitler might even try to strike a body blow at British naval strength in the central Mediterranean by attempting a sea and air attack on Malta, the essential British island base lying between Sicily and Africa. This, it is suggested by London observers, might be accompanied by waves of parachutists from Sicily, in an attempt to duplicate the capture of Crete.

Camp 167, P. O. S. Of A., Met, Elected Officers

At the regular meeting of Washington Camp No. 167, Patriotic Order Sons of America, held last evening, the following were elected for the ensuing term:

Junior Past President — William Calloway.
President—Allen Phillips.
Vice President—George Price.
Master of Forms—Carl Brandaur.
Conductor—Garnet Adams.
Recording Secretary — Abe L. Northey.
Treasurer—Edward Northey, Jr.
Financial Secretary — Joseph W. Jones.
Inspector—Howard Snyder.
Guard—William Eltringham.
Chaplain—William E. Barr.
Orator—Edward Northey, Sr.
Messenger—Garnet Adams.
Trustees—William Calloway, Allen Phillips and William Barr.

Installation of officers will be held on the second Monday evening of January and will be in charge of District President Charles Faust.

THE GOVERNOR'S CHRISTMAS
Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Gov. Arthur H. James, his bride and his daughter, Dorothy, will spend Christmas Day at the executive mansion. On Friday, James and his family will go to Plymouth, the Governor's home, returning when the capitol opens Monday.

At noon today, all state employes begin a four and one-half day vacation ending Monday morning. They will have a similar vacation over New Year's.

NOEL

Christmas is always a time of rejoicing because the "Prince of Peace" who came on that night 1941 years ago brought the great gift of salvation which means Hope, Peace and Happiness for all the world.

H. F. CLIFFORD
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Our Heartfelt Greetings At This Gay Holiday Season

May the spirit that makes Christmas the greatest day of all days be yours through the Yuletide season and throughout every day of the New Year.

If We Have The Opportunity Of Serving You In The Days To Come We Shall Be Grateful

HARRY COOPER
REGISTERED PLUMBER

CHRISTMAS JOY

A Holiday Greeting

In Genuine Sincerity We Wish For You the Merriest, Most Joyous Christmas Possible.

We trust that the New Year will be even better than the past year has been. May it give you the opportunity of serving your fellowman which brings its own reward of happiness.

JAMES HAUGHNEY
FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Merry Christmas

HEADLINES FOR CHRISTMAS

"Merry Christmas — Happy New Year"

Everywhere about we see these words—it is the favorite expression of the season. Yet, what words sound merrier, cheerier or have a truer ring? So, for our Friends and Patrons we repeat

"MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY NEW YEAR"

Noonan Bros.

To Wish You Joy At Christmas And A New Year Of Bounty

Another year passes by and we are here again with our greetings for the Holiday Season. On this the merriest day in the year our thoughts and best wishes are for you.

Scherer Funeral Service



High Five Defeat Tamaqua In Thrilling Game, 38-25

Mahanoy City's Big Second Quarter Spelled Defeat for Their Tamaqua Rivals.

Clean sweeps were in order at the Central Academy bowling alleys last night as both American and National League entries scored victories over opponents via the whitewash route.

German's Haulers, pace-setters in the American League, took four points from the Kool Kids of Morea colliery in a match that saw the Haulers go over the nine hundred mark in team score three times to win. It was a whole of a match with all of the Morea boys rolling over the 500 mark, with the Haulers moving along at a slightly better team clip. Jim Wagner's 588 for the Haulers, marked by a 209 and a 200, led the parade, and Bud Wagner had a 205 single. Al (Left) Peca had a 201 for Morea, and Williams had a 203 for the Kool Kids. Peca was high for Morea with a 553 mark.

The Modern Billiards of Shenandoah took four points from Chef's Restaurant in American League play with the Billiards copping by nearly three hundred pins as they went over the 900 mark once and the 800 mark twice. High spot of the match was a 602 by Budd for the Billiards, with his series including 235 in the second game. Leskie had a 205 for the winners, and Mac a 14. Bruce led the Chef's with 523.

It was an all around bad night for the restaurant boys, for in the National League, Waba's Products took four points from the Mansion restaurant with a sprinkling of 200 games helping the boys' averages.

Waba led his team with a 545 series that included a 207, while Lipp had a 206 single and Chickensavage a 99 single for the winners. Strelkus led a 203 as he led the Mansion team with 505.

The scores:

Morea Colliery		
Williams	157	209-510
Witconis	181	187-534
Strelkus	168	170-505
Al (R) Peca	176	163-511
Al (L) Peca	166	201-553
Totals	849	876-2621

German's Haulers		
J. Wagner	209	179-200-588
B. Wagner	188	205-393
Budroe	182	180-362
Mascellino	170	161-510
Berdosh	166	177-343
German	190	194-566
Totals	923	921-2762

Chef's Restaurant		
Kaunus	140	190-330
Purcell	125	143-268
Mirocke	144	133-277
Bruce	190	162-523
Cane	149	189-466
Karwols	173	146-476
Totals	777	831-2340

Modern Billiards		
Domino	183	171-529
Leskie	153	165-523
Bisko	157	157-314
Maff	145	136-300
Budd	176	235-602
Mack	214	155-369
Totals	814	921-2621

Waba's Products		
Michaels	184	158-511
Lipp	133	137-266
Waba	207	175-545
Chickensavage	170	208-378
Serano	179	169-507
Kelly	177	177-354
Totals	873	847-2594

Mansion Restaurant		
Shumanis	160	160-320
James	128	128-256
Strelkus	157	140-297
Rosbach	131	163-294
York	172	139-311
Stachitus	136	173-309
McCormick	144	153-297
Totals	724	759-2306

Mahanoy City High scored their fourth straight win last evening with a thrilling 38-25 decision over Tamaqua High before a packed house at the local gymnasium. Incidentally, the defeat was the first of the year for the Tamaqua club of Coach Pinkey Purnell with his club having defeated both Frackville High and Summit Hill in their first two appearances of the year.

To win, Mahanoy put on a big second quarter rally with diminutive Steve Wasilini, high scoring forward on the club, leading a 16 point barrage of points with four baskets and a foul for a total of nine points. Tamaqua High, with four veterans from last year's club in the opening lineup presented a much taller club than Johnny Geopfert's club with both Bob Filer and Earl Steigerwalt standing well over the six foot mark. However, Mahanoy came through with their usual snappy style of play and although Tamaqua managed to control the backboards, the Maroon fought for the ball at all times and showed plenty of speed in their play.

Coach Geopfert used but six men in the ball game with Wasilini and Malinowski opening at the forward spots, Johnny Souchack at the pivot post and Richards and Sebalowski in the backcourt. Elmer Griggs came in the ball game in place of Richards in the second quarter and played a great defensive game.

Mahanoy jumped off to a 7-4 lead in the first quarter, ran wild scoring 16 points in the second period to put the figures at 23-11 at the halftime intermission. Both teams scored six points in the third quarter and then in the last period, Mahanoy managed to outscore the Blue Raiders 9-8.

Mahanoy will be idle over the holiday period with the next game scheduled for Tuesday, January 6, 1942 at the local gymnasium when Blythe Township High comes to town to open the Black Diamond League season.

Neither team could find the range of the basket in the early moments of the first quarter with Wasilini finally tossing in a beauty to put Mahanoy in front 2-0. Filer came along with a foul to make it 2-1 and after Richards made a basket, Wasilini followed with two foul tries to make it 5-1. "Junior" Young came along with a long heave to put the figures at 5-3 only to have Franny Richards duplicate the feat to make it 7-3. A foul by DeWire made it 7-4 at the quarter.

Franny Malinowski opened the second period with a sensational one hand shot from the side to make it 9-4 and when Richards followed with his second long poke it stood 11-4. Jones connected for a foul try for Tamaqua with Wasilini taking a pass from Malinowski to make it 13-5 and after Johnny Souchack connected with a one hand stab from the 15 foot mark to make it 15-5, Tamaqua called time. When play was resumed Steigerwalt went under to make it 15-7 with Wasilini coming along for Mahanoy to make it 17-7. A basket by Steigerwalt followed by two fouls on the part of Young

made it 17-7. Successive baskets by Wasilini hiked the figures to 22-11 with Sebalowski making good a foul try to make it 23-11 at the half.

Becker opened the third quarter with a basket for the Tams with Malinowski making good a long shot to make it 25-13. Wasilini followed with another sensational shot to make it 27-13. Filer made it 27-15 with a basket with Malinowski adding two points for Mahanoy with a one hand stab from the side. DeWire completed the scoring of the period with a set shot to make it 29-17.

Souchack opened the final period with a foul try with Filer dropping in a basket to make it 30-19. Wasilini passed to Malinowski going in for another Mahanoy score and then Sebalowski went under fast to make it 34-19 with the Tamaqua club calling time. With play resuming, Sebalowski dropped in a foul try to make it 35-19 only to have Steigerwalt follow with a basket for the visitors. Filer made good a sleeper to make it 35-23 and when Jones connected with a long poke it stood 35-25. Richards came through with a foul try and Sebalowski followed with two more charity tosses to put the final figures at 38-25.

Steve Wasilini led the scoring parade with a total of six baskets and three out of three from the foul lane for a total of 15 points. Franny Malinowski, playing another great game at forward followed with eight points. Franny Richards and Len Sebalowski, did more than their share in the backcourt with each lad coming through with six points. Johnny Souchack, although only able to garner three points at the center position, played a great defensive game and deserves a good hand. Elmer Griggs, replacing Richards at guard, failed to connect for any points but gave a good account of himself on the defense.

Bob Filer, playing forward for Tamaqua led his team in scoring with seven points while Earl Steigerwalt followed close behind with six points.

The lineups:

M. C. H. S. (38)			
Wasilini, f	6	3	15
Malinowski, f	4	0	8
Souchack, c	1	1	3
Richards, g	2	2	3
Griggs, g	0	0	0
Sebalowski, g	1	4	6
Totals	14	10	38

Tamaqua H. S. (25)			
Filer, f	3	1	7
Becker, f	1	0	2
DeWire, f	1	1	3
Rowlands, f	0	0	0
Steigerwalt, c	3	0	6
Young, g	1	2	4
Jones, g	1	1	3
Totals	10	5	25

Score by Periods

M. C. H. S.			
1	6	6	9-38
2	7	6	8-25

Officials: Heske and Howard, Bethlehem. Time of periods, eight minutes.

High Jay Vees Defeat Tamaqua

Mahanoy City High's Junior Varsity basketball team continued to set an unbeaten pace for the season when the Maroon seconds defeated the Tamaqua High Jay Vees in the prelim at the gym last night, score, 35 to 12.

The Maroon combination swept to the front almost at the opening whistle and soon assumed command. They led 13 to 3 at the close of the first period, and then in the second half, astonished all and sundry when they blanked their rivals from the floor. At the same time, they scored nine points themselves, to lead by 22 to 3 at the end of the half, with the ball game theirs forever and ever.

In the second half, both they and their opponents scored three points for the third period, but then in the final quarter, the Maroon youngsters added to their lead when they scored ten points to Tamaqua's six to leave a twenty-three point margin separating the teams at the finish.

Tagliferri led the Maroon toilers with four field goals and an equal number of fouls for a total of 12 points. The spirited attack of the Maroon limited Tamaqua to three field goals for the night, one by Fetterman in the first period and one each by Lehatto and Pajenski in the final period. Mahanoy used seventeen men during the game.

The lineups:

Tamaqua (12)		
Morgans	F	Fetterman
Tagliferri	F	Morgans
Wonsack	G	Henne
Phillips	C	McGregor
Schukis	G	Sotok

Score by Periods

M. C. H. S.			
1	13	9	3-35
2	3	0	3-12

Replacements: Mahanoy City—Senesky, Setevage, Lahutsky, Collins, Weber, Klipola, Miller, Griggs, Dodds, Dorunda, McLaren, Serano; Tamaqua—Wetterau, Abramatis, Uscavage, Kasper, Lehatto, Stultz, Pajenski. Points: Morgans, 4, Wonsack, 4, Tagliferri, 12, Lahutsky, 1, Phillips, 4, Schukis, 4, Weber, 2,

Klipola 2 Serano, 2, Fetterman, 1, Wetterau, 1, Morgans, 2, Sotok, 3, Lehatto, 2, Stultz, 1, Pajenski, 2, Referee, Vic Ball Mahanoy City. Time of periods, eight minutes.

ALL-STAR GRID GAME

New York, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The National League's all-star football team, strengthened by the addition of the Green Bay Packers' famed aerial twins—Ozell Isbell and Don Hutson—begins two-a-day practice sessions Friday for their annual pro bowl game here Jan. 4 against the champion Chicago Bears.

Steven Owen, the New York Giant coach handling the star squad, said Isbell and Hutson would team with Sammy Baugh of Washington and Pug Mander of Brooklyn in the backfield along with Tuffy Leemans, Ward Cuff and Nello Falaschi of New York, Cecil Hare of Washington and Art Jones of Pittsburgh.

Half of the game's receipts will be donated to the naval relief society.

HOCKEY AT HERSHEY

Hershey, Pa., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The Hershey Bears make their first home appearance in more than two weeks at the sports arena tomorrow night when they face the Philadelphia Rockets in an American hockey league game.

It will be the Rockets' first appearance here. The club was formed last fall to replace the disbanded Philadelphia Ramblers.

The team's road record was better than at any time during the last several seasons.

FIGHT RESULTS

(By United Press)

New York (Broadway Arena)—Maxie Shapiro, 133½, New York, knocked out Ted Christie, 129, New York (2); Eddie Alexander, 169½, Newark, N. J., outpointed Wiley Ferguson, 170½, Virginia (4).

White Plains, N. Y.—Al Hart, 223 Washington, D. C., outpointed Earl Lowman, 208½, New York (8); Larry Fontana, 155½, New York (8); Drew with George Koehan, 157, Akron, O. (6).

What U. S. Sports Figures Want From Old Santa

By PAUL SCHEFFELS
United Press Staff Correspondent
New York, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—The mails are clogged around this time every year with appeals addressed to the man with the white beard and red outwear to lift the lid from the horn of plenty and hand out holiday happiness.

Despite the whimsical canard that has put America's competitive sports minority above ordinary folk, fighters, managers, baseball players and athletes in general have just as lengthy a Christmas list as yours.

Here are some of the items the country's leading sports figures would like to have from Santa Claus.

Don Barns, prexy of the St. Louis Browns—Joe DiMaggio.
Mickey Owen—A pot of gold.
Yale University Alumni—Jock Sutherland and Bruce Smith.
Joe Louis—A rest.
Ford Frick—A National league team to beat the Yankees in the world series.

Will Harridge—A carbon copy of that team to provide competition for the Yankees in the American league.
Jim Farley—The Yankees.
Hockey Managers—Some customers.
Mel Ott—Some players not quite so eligible for social security.

The rest of the National football league—The Chicago Bears in the army.
The Dodgers—Southpaw Ernie White of the Cardinals.
The Cardinals—The Brooklyn bridge and a blank check for Ernie White.

Harry Balogh—More 12-syllable words.
Oregon State—Some sunshine at Durham, scene of the "Rose bowl" game.
Duke—Some snow at Durham.
Mike Jacobs—A muzzle, for Jimmy Johnston.

Jimmy Johnston—A piece of Mike Jacobs, preferably his scalp.
Leo Durocher—Higbie quintuplets, about 20 years old.
Buddy Baer—A suit of armor for January 9.

Sammy Angott—A couple more fights with Lew Jenkins.
Ace Parker—Unbreakable bones.
Ray Arzel—A fighter to beat Joe Louis.
Maxie Baer—An audience.
Bernie Bierman—Nothing. He's got everything but the big ten charter.

Ted Williams—Baseball all year 'round.
Larry MacPhail—Bill Terry, in a plaster cast.
U. S. L. T. A.—Another Bill Tilden or Don Budge or Fred Perry or Frankie Kovacs or just a couple of good players.

Sportswriters in general—No hockey games on New Year's eve.
This one in particular—Gloria Callan as copy-girl.

Amateur Boxing Bouts At Shenandoah, Dec. 30

Shenandoah, Pa., Dec. 24.—Amateur boxing bouts will be resumed by the local Athletic Club at Maher's Arena here Tuesday night, December 30.

This became definite over the week-end with the approval of George J. Jones, state athletic commissioner from Williamsport, and the promise of secretary Frank N. Percival from Philadelphia that the Middle Atlantic A. A. U. will sanction the local simon-pure fistie shows. The sanction is expected to arrive tomorrow.

Plans are to present a program of ten bouts as in the past, with possibilities of extending the semi-windup and windup scraps over the five-round route.

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BASKETBALL RESULTS

Games Last Night

M. C. H. S. 38, Tamaqua 25.
Reading 44, Allentown 37.
Allentown Catholic 50, Nesquehoning 24.
Northampton 25, Lansford 18.
Lansford Catholic 94, Port Carbon Catholic 17.
Fountain Hill 25, South Whitehall 23 (extra period).
Summit Hill 68, Bethlehem Business College 36.
Easton 46, Slatington 30.
Phillipsburg, N. J. 29, Bethlehem 26 (extra period).
E. Mauch Chunk 40, Lehigh 25.
Freeland 37, Ashley 23.
St. Gabriel's 42, Freeland Cath. 30.
West Hazleton 43, Rock Glen 25.
Nuremberg 32, Scott Twp. 26.
McAdoo 40, White Haven 22.
Ashland 33, Butler Twp. 23.
Conyngham Twp. 41, Kulpmont 33.
Port Carbon 67, Minersville 25.
Wilson 26, Coplay 23.
John Harris 56, Carlisle 24.
William Penn 41, Coatesville 34.

NATIONAL LEAGUE HOCKEY
(By United Press)

The National League's pace-setting Boston Bruins defeated the fourth-place New York Rangers, 3-2 Tuesday night before 10,600 at Boston Garden.

Brooklyn's Americans shaded the Chicago Black Hawks, 4-3, before 7,385 in Madison Square Garden.

BOWLING SCHEDULE

Central Academy Alleys
Wednesday Night
7:00 o'clock—Doc's West Enders vs. B'Nat B'Rich.
Friday Night
9:00 o'clock—Mickey Puck's Cafe vs. Shurfine Foods.

Doing its job, too

Pause... Go refreshed

Coca-Cola

5¢

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L. V. R. R. Employees Get Back Pay Yesterday

The 800 workers employed on the Mahanoy-Hazleton branch of the Lehigh Valley Railroad received a total of \$40,000 in back pay yesterday, under the terms of the new railroad wage agreement. The back pay averaged \$50 per employee.

There is also a wage increase that will run about \$300 or more per year to 800 men on the local branch, or about \$240,000 more annually in wages for the railroaders.

The railroaders' boost adds to the augmented revenues of local workers, and totals a higher level for wages in the region. It was only two months ago that the 7½ per cent raise of the members effective last May went up to 10 per cent, effective October 1. In addition about \$220,000 was handed out last week as vacation token payments to regional miners under the new contract.

HEAR THE KING!

New York, Dec. 23. (U.P.)—King George VI will broadcast a Christmas Day message at 9 A. M. (EST) over the Columbia Broadcasting System, it was announced today.

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INTERVIEWER



Lovely Ona Munson, star of Columbia network's "Big Town" broadcasts, sneaks away from the "Illustrated Press" office to get an exclusive interview with Santa. It seems to be a strange interview, too, for the way Santa is dishing out those fancy bundles indicates that the main question asked by interviewer Ona was: "What are you going to give me for Christmas—and now?"

East Side Kids in "Spooks Run Wild," Head Big Holiday Program Opening at State On Christmas



The screen's "merchant of menace," Bela Lugosi, meets his death in those tenement terrors, Leo Gorcey, Bobby Jordan and Sunshine Sammy Morrison, in "Spooks Run Wild," Monogram comedy, at the State Theatre.

A couple of the East Side Kids became involved in necktie trouble during the filming of "Spooks Run Wild," Monogram's mystery comedy in which they are co-starred with Bela Lugosi, and which comes to the State Theatre on Christmas Day. Huntz Hall, putting on his tie, stepped in front of the camera preparatory to starting a scene for the picture, when the eagle-eyed script girl "called" him. "Huntz," she said, "that's not the tie you wear in the other scene this morning."

PLANS FOR ELKS FROLIC

The committee in charge of the New Year's Eve Frolic to be held by Mahanoy City Lodge B. P. O. Elks ask that people planning to attend make reservations as early as possible by phoning 9173.

It was that fighting Irish name—Corrigan—which caused all the trouble. From time immemorial, the Irish have been known as fighters, and when a youngster with the name of Corrigan comes along, he is forced to be a fighter whether he likes it or not—for begorra, a Corrigan is Irish and the Irish like to fight!

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Big Battle Developing In Northwest Malaya; Rumors In Europe

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ward to the American island stepping stones on the air route from Hawaii to New Zealand and Australia, the Japanese carried out small scale attacks on Johnston and Palmyra Islands, the U. S. Navy reported, with negligible damage.

In Europe the British warned against placing too much emphasis on rumors of German drives into Spain or Turkey, taking the position that the Nazis were seeking to obscure their military plans with a rumor screen.

Propaganda Minister Paul Joseph Goebbels made a grim Christmas address by radio to the German people, taking the line that Germany is suffering greatly in a world full of enemies but still is able to protect herself.

As Manila freemen battled to subdue fires set in one raid, the Japanese planes came over again and dropped more bombs.

Reports from refugees from Davao where the Japanese have landed on the southern Mindanao coast said that seven Japanese transports were sunk in the landing operation there. Rumors circulated that large numbers of transports were sunk off Lingayen coast but there was no official statement although American bombing planes are known to have attacked the Japanese persistently.

Reports from Hong Kong received as late as 12:30 P. M. in London (6:30 A. M. EST) said that the British garrison still holds out and has even succeeded in bettering its position on the central part of the island despite firing ground on the southern shore near Repulse bay. Chinese attacks behind the Japanese lines from Kowloon to Canton were said to have increased in vigor.

The Chinese were said to have captured Namling, 50 miles north of Hong Kong.

In Malaya the fighting was centered in a defense quadrangle established by the British in a region 40 miles wide and 20 miles deep just north of the important communications and road center of Ipoh, 285 miles north of Singapore. The Japanese were attacking persistently but without success thus far.

The Japanese, claiming the occupation of Wake Island, admitted the loss of two more destroyers. This brought the Japanese admitted losses to four destroyers at Wake.

On Russian and African Fronts On Russian and African Fronts In Africa and Russia the axis was still falling back. Gen. Erwin Rommel's Afrika Korps appeared to be trying to establish defense lines around Benghazi but the prospects for any extended battle there seemed slight as British forces in growing strength have by-passed Benghazi and now block the coastal highway to Tripoli for many miles south of Benghazi.

The British said Cyrenaica, the eastern part of Tripoli, is rapidly being cleared of all Axis troops.

The Russian offensive still was developing and Moscow dispatches indicated that maneuvers in the 15-weeks siege of Leningrad are now progressing favorably.

The Royal Air Force carried out attacks on Brest and Cologne and British defense forces were ordered on the alert in event of a German Christmas Eve air attack on Britain. There was no talk this year of an informal Christmas bombing truce such as was in effect last year.

German Foreign Minister Joachim von Ribbentrop gave a statement to a Spanish news agency denying that Germany has issued any "peace feelers" and reassuring the Spaniards that Germany will continue to fight Russia.

Civilian Pilots Asked To Serve By JOSEPH BANKS (United Press Staff Correspondent) Harrisburg, Dec. 24. (U.P.)—William L. Anderson, Commander of the civil air patrol's Pennsylvania wing, today called on the 8,000 men and women civilian pilots and student flyers in the state to volunteer for service in squadrons now being organized.

At the same time Anderson designated the following men as area commanders subject to approval by the Office of Civilian Defense in Washington:

A. M. Kemmerer, Allentown, a pilot-owner, as commander of the northeastern area; Ralph Earle, of Haverford, Philadelphia banker, World War flyer and brother of former Gov. George H. Earle, commander of the southeastern area, embracing the Philadelphia metropolitan area; W. St. John, Lock Haven, an experienced pilot and sales manager of the Piper Aircraft Co., commander of the central area, extending from New York to the Maryland border.

Anderson, who is also acting Pennsylvania aeronautics director, said Clifford Ball and Robert C. Fiske, president and secretary respectively of the Pittsburgh Aero Club, will act as commanders of the southwestern and northwestern areas pending permanent appointments.

The state Defense Council announced meantime that Ernest Burch "is being loaned by the Public Utility Commission to serve as executive officer under Anderson, with offices at the Harrisburg airport."

Anderson urged all of Pennsyl-

Dance Chairman



Miss Rosemary Kilker, Girardville, is chairman of the annual Christmas holiday dance of the Villa Marie Chapter of the Immaculata College Alumnae Society to be held at the Necho Allen Hotel, Pottsville, Friday evening, December 26.

Fifty soldiers from Indiantown Gay military reservation will be special guests of the chapter and each will receive a gift.

Coaldale Soldier Is Killed On Wake Island

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kapchak, of Coaldale, today received notification from the War Department that their son, John, 19, was killed in action on December 8th.

It is believed that the youth, who was serving in the U. S. Marines, was stationed on Wake Island as his last letter, mailed December 1, and received December 8, was addressed from the island.

A high school athlete for three years, Kapchak left school on March 28 to enlist in the Marines. He is survived by his parents, one brother, George, a corporal in the Marines, stationed at San Juan, Puerto Rico, and two sisters.

KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

Columbia, Pa., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—John V. Montgomery, 28, East Liberty, died in a Columbia Hospital today of injuries suffered when his car was in a three-way crash near Hallam. Montgomery, a salesman for a Philadelphia firm, was en route home for the Christmas holidays.

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Pennsylvania Boys To Christmas In Texas

Victoria, Tex., Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Despite the sudden cancellation of their Christmas furloughs by Japan's attack on American outposts, the morale of Pennsylvania boys at the air corps advanced flying school here was described by a squadron commander today as "the finest possible."

The Keystone state airmen, many of them sons of veterans who fought with the famous 28th Division in France, are anticipating their first Christmas under a warm southern sun.

Long distance telephone calls to families and sweethearts, invitations to Christmas dinners at private homes and a complete holiday program arranged by the chaplain's office will help the boys to enjoy the yuletide spirit far from home.

Among the Pennsylvanians who will celebrate Christmas down where the poinsettias bloom are: Sgt. Eddie Coslett, Scranton; Bob Hayes, Montoursville; Bill Askey and Larry Bender, Williamsport; Al Kennedy, Pittsburgh; Al Holden, Meadville; Sammy Campbell, Washington; Bill Bobb, Sunbury, and Regis Keddie, Butler county.

Asks Pennsylvanians To Guard Against Sabotage

Harrisburg, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Gov. Arthur H. James called on Pennsylvania's civilian defense forces to be "especially alert" against saboteurs during the holiday season.

"The world has had ample demonstration of the Axis technique of striking at the moment when their enemies are likely to be off guard," he said.

"We must be extremely vigilant against sabotage and attack by our foes during our holiday activities. Any relaxation of present alertness might bring disaster."

Meantime, state selective service officials estimated a total of 3,000,000 will be registered in Pennsylvania after the listing of men between 18 and 64 is completed.

There are 1,315,000 men on registration rolls at present between 21 and 36. Draft headquarters estimated there will be an additional 270,000 registered between 18 and 21; 750,000 between 36 and 45, and 750,000 between 45 and 65.

Program Tonight At Community Tree

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Record-American for its assistance in promoting the Community Christmas tree and its related activities. Treasurer Donald Noakes announced today that \$734.20 had been contributed to date toward the club's Christmas tree fund.

Additional contributions, acknowledged today include: \$10—Hall-Reese Post 1420, Veterans of Foreign Wars. \$2—Krebs' drug store. \$1—John Burgess, Steve Gavala, Nick Kohan, Andrew Medwetz and Mrs. Fred C. Holman and Robert Pobia.



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A Former Delano Resident Dies

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Mary A. Walters, aged eighty-four years, a former resident of Delano, who died in the Wilmington Hospital, Wilmington, Del., on Monday afternoon at two o'clock the result of a fall. She had been making her home with her daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Connor, at Kennett Square.

The departed, affectionately known at Delano as "Grandma Walters," was the widow of Benjamin Walters, an engineer for the Lehigh Valley Railroad who died twenty-five years ago.

She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael Reynolds. Her father came to Delano in 1861 to help build the Lehigh Valley Railroad, one of the oldest residents of Delano Mrs. Walters enjoyed watching that community grow from a house or two into the present railroad community.

While a resident of Delano she was a member of St. Canisius church here. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Irvin Gouldner, Delano; Mrs. Joseph Connor, Kennett Square; one son, Leo Walters, of Delano and two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Purcell and Mrs. Margaret Engle, of Frackville. Six grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive.

The funeral will be held on Saturday morning with burial in Kennett Square.

Hazleton, Mt. Carmel and Tamqua papers please copy.

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TO INVESTIGATE DEATH

Philadelphia, Dec. 24 (U.P.)—Naval authorities today investigated the "undetermined cause" of the death of Lieut. Com. Obder Rutledge McLean, 50, who was kept in a Camden, N. J., detention cell nine hours before being taken to the Naval Hospital here.

McLean, who died yesterday, was found in a dazed condition on a Camden street Monday night. Detectives finally took him to Cooper Hospital when he "complained of being very ill." McLean later was transferred to the Naval Hospital.

There were no apparent marks of injury on his body, police said, and he acted in a sluggish manner as though he might have been drugged.

McLean, whose home was in Boston, went to Camden two months ago to take command of a sub-

To Hospital Patients!

Five scrapbooks of Christmas greetings were sent today to the Locust Mountain State Hospital by the pupils of the Weekday School of Religion of Christ Lutheran church, the Rev. R. E. Kramer, pastor.

Comprised of a wide variety of handsome cards, attractively assembled, the scrapbooks are each addressed to the patients at the institution.

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