

DAV Elevates 2 County Men

Two Schuylkill County men, both veterans of World War II, were named to commander posts in the Disabled American Veterans organizations locally and on a regional district basis.

They are: Michael Martin, 1316 W. Norwegian St., Pottsville, elected new commander of South Schuylkill Chapter 77, DAV, and John Bobbin, 135 Pike St., Port Carbon, named new commander of District 2, which comprises Wilkes-Barre, Allentown, Bethlehem, Hazleton, Pottsville, and Reading areas.

Martin entered the U. S. Army in 1942 after the outbreak of the war. He served 3½ years with the 3d Infantry Regiment, including overseas duty in Newfoundland, France and Germany. He was honorably discharged as a technician 5th grade in 1945 while serving with the 450th Military Police Co.

In addition to being elected new commander, he is also executive committeeman and chairman of the membership committee of South Schuylkill Chapter 77. He resides with his sisters, Mrs. Valerie Lea, Mrs. Ann Steward, and Pauline Martin, at the W. Norwegian Street address.

Bobbin served overseas for



MICHAEL MARTIN



JOHN BOBBIN

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six months with a combat rifle squad of the 106th Division in France, Belgium, Luxembourg, and Germany.

During the Battle of the Bulge, he was taken prisoner by German troops and held for 115 days. He had been moved from three camps during that time and remembers the 1944 Christmas Eve spent in a boxcar be-

ing moved to another camp. He escaped early in 1945 during an air attack on the town of Kayna when he and four others hid in a haystack and later made their way back through German lines to American forces.

Bobbin is married to the former Theophilla Metrulis, a native of Schoentown. The couple has two daughters, Mrs. Dolores Konitsky, Saint Clair, and Mrs. Joan Hagen, Atlanta, Ga. He conducts a meat-grocery business in Mahanoy City. He is president adjutant Chapter 77 DAV.

New Laundry in Lehigh Serves Hospital Here

More than 200 people attended the dedication and opening of the new laundry facility at Lehigh Valley Hospital. Joseph Ayers, chairman of the Board of Directors of the

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