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Governor Martin Plans Large New Building at Rockview For Defectives

Cost of Project is Estimated at \$1,500,000 or More; Would Care for Up to 600 Men; Report Several Sites Suggested; Wards May Aid in Work on Prison Farms

Plans for the erection of an institution costing from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 adjacent to Rockview penitentiary, Bellefonte, were announced yesterday by Governor Edward Martin as part of a program for the care of delinquent defectives in Pennsylvania.

The new institution for this type of state ward will be erected "as soon as materials therefore are available," it was indicated. An administration spokesman said yesterday that because of lack of materials, construction of the new institution may be a post-war project.

Pending completion of the Bel-

Two Found Guilty In Jury Trials At February Court

The jury trials in criminal cases, and a mistrial in a civil case comprised the work of the regular February term of court in Centre county, Monday and Tuesday.

Wharton Fye, of Moshannon, was found guilty of pointing deadly weapons and was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail and was ordered to pay the costs of prosecution.

Merrill L. Meyers, of Centre Hall, was found guilty of operating a motor vehicle while his license was suspended and was sentenced to serve three months in the county jail in addition to paying the costs.

In the civil case, Roland Spicer vs. Bernard Goldman, an action in trespass which went on trial Tuesday, the testimony of one witness was such that a juror was withdrawn and a mistrial was declared. The case will go on trial at a later date.

Lt. Fleck Receives Air Medal in Italy



First Lt. William J. Fleck (right) is congratulated by his commanding officer, Col. John M. Price, after being presented the Air Medal. Lt. Fleck is attached to the 15th AAF in Italy.

First Lt. William J. Fleck, 25, of 136 Penn street, Bellefonte, whose wife, Mrs. Bettie F. Fleck, resides at the same address, was recently awarded the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight" while participating in combat missions against the enemy in the Balkans, northern Italy and Germany.

Lt. Fleck is a pilot with a B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment group of the 15th Air Force.

Prior to entering the Army Air Forces on November 20, 1943, at Harrisburg, Pa., he was employed as an aircraft mechanic at Olmsted Field at Middletown, Pa. He received his training as a pilot at Stuttgart, Ark.

WAR CASUALTY LISTS NAME 6 FROM COUNTY

Three Men Reported Missing; Three Are Wounded In Action

Centre County's toll in World War II during the week was three men missing and three wounded, according to messages received by relatives.

The Missing men are:
S-Sgt. Lee N. Rogers, Howard R. D. 1, in South Pacific, February 1.
Cpl. John Yecina, 30, of Clarence, in Germany, February 2.
Lt. John W. McKibben, 21, Spring Creek, in Europe, January 5.

The Wounded are:
Pfc. Lloyd Reese, 21, of Milesburg, seriously in France, February 15.
S-Sgt. Chester A. Wagner, 30, of Centre Hall, slightly in Germany, February 9.
Pfc. McDowell Walker, 30, Orriston, seriously in Belgium, January 20.

Milesburg Man Is Killed By Train

Lloyd Lucas, 45, Dies After Truck is Hit By Gotham Limited on Grade Crossing Near Home; Inquest to Be Held Tonight

BULLETIN
Coroner Charles Sheekler, Milesburg, said yesterday an inquest into the death of Lloyd Lucas, Milesburg trucker, who lost his life Sunday when his truck was hit by a train, will be held in the Court Room here at 7:30 o'clock tonight (Thursday).

Lloyd W. Lucas, 45, well known Milesburg trucker, was fatally injured at 1:19 p. m. Sunday when his truck was struck by the first section of the Pennsylvania Railroad's east-bound Gotham Limited, on the Blerly grade crossing in Central City, Milesburg.

Lucas died while being brought to the Centre County Hospital in the Widdowson ambulance. His injuries included a fractured skull, fractured collar bone, fracture of the left leg and severe chest injuries.

The Chicago to New York train had been re-routed over Bald Eagle Valley Branch because of a wreck on the main line at Longfellow, between Mount Union and Lewisport. Centre County Coroner Charles Sheekler, of Milesburg, said an inquest into the fatality will be held as soon as arrangements can be made to have the train crew brought here to testify.

Lucas' truck, a practically new 1944 International dump truck, was hurled a distance of between 75 and 100 feet and landed on an adjoining track, a mass of twisted and broken wreckage. The body fell off during its flight and also landed on the adjoining track. Lucas was hurled from the machine and his body was

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CRUSHED TO DEATH UNDER OWN TRUCK

Ernest Styers, Millheim, Dies When Dump Body Drops Unexpectedly

Ernest E. Styers, 49-year-old Millheim trucker, was crushed to death under the bed of his dump truck early Saturday morning when the bed fell while he was working on the chassis. Death is believed to have been instantaneous and resulted from a crushed chest and a neck injury.

The accident happened about 1:45 p. m. outside the Lowell Stover garage in Aaronsburg. Mr. Styers had gone to the garage to make some repairs to the truck and was working alone at the time. Customers arriving at the garage saw him pinned in the machine and notified garage

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LOGANS BANQUET ON ANNIVERSARY

200 Firemen and Guests Present; Speakers Laud Company

Members of the Logan Fire Company and their guests, numbering nearly 200 persons in all, celebrated the 75th anniversary of the founding of the company at a banquet held last Thursday night at Brookside Post American Legion home on East Howard street.

The dinner was served by members of the Legion Auxiliary, and the Legion Orchestra provided music during the evening.

John G. Love presided as toastmaster and Judge Ivan Walker was the principal speaker. Honored members of the fire company introduced were Charles F. Cook, 94, a Logan for 71 years, and Martin Cooney, 91, who has been a Logan for 69 years. Another veteran Logan, Benton D. Tate, 80, for more than 50 years a member of the company, also was present, while James D. Seibert, 84, a member for 66 years, was unable to attend. Mr. Cook and Mr. Cooney spoke briefly of the early days of fire-fighting in Bellefonte.

Other introductions by Logan Chief Arthur Boob included Mrs. Mary Shughnessy, a neighbor of

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Former County Soldier Is Killed

Pvt. Joseph A. Davidson, 23-year-old son of Willie G. and the late Mabel Garbrick Davidson, was killed in action in the battle of Luxembourg, January 25, 1945.



Pvt. Davidson lived his earlier years with his grandmother, Mrs. Bertha Davidson, of Half Moon township, his mother having died

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18 MEN ORDERED FOR INDUCTION

Go to Harrisburg March 9; 5 Others Volunteer During February

Draft Board No. 2, of Bellefonte, yesterday released the names of 18 men who are scheduled to report for induction into the armed forces on Friday, March 9, and listed the names of five others who volunteered for immediate induction during February.

The group slated for Harrisburg March 9 will meet at the board offices in the Postoffice building, Bellefonte, at 7 a. m. where a special bus will be provided to take them to Harrisburg.

Members of the group are:
Glenn Lorraine Richards, Niagara Falls, N. Y. (Powellton).
Aloysius Anthony Jendrisak, Altoona, Pa. (Crescent).
Henry Matthew Kessling, Bellefonte, R. D. 3.
Halph William Richner, Howard, R. D. 1.
Clair Joseph Blazowsky, Port Matilda.
Dean Ivan Lucas, Howard, R. D. 2.
Donald Ray Biddle, Bellefonte, R. D. 2.
Donald Edwin Shade, Bellefonte, R. D. 3.
Carl Nevin Rockey, Bellefonte, R. D. 1.
Joseph Leon Quind, Bellefonte.
Howard Francis Hull, Phillipsburg.
John Edward Herrington, Phillipsburg.
Arthur James Smoyer, Bellefonte.
John McGinley McElwee, Pleasant Gap.
John Junior Robinson, Unionville.
Harold Richard Gordon, Bellefonte.

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AGED MAN LIES IN SNOW 17 HOURS

Joel Royer, 83, Zion, in Serious Condition After Long Exposure

An 83-year-old Zion man, who suffered an attack while shoveling snow last week and remained helpless in the snow for approximately 17 hours, yesterday was reported to be in serious condition at his home as the result of exposure.

He is Joel Royer, who lives alone in Zion. Mr. Royer is believed to have left the house last Tuesday evening to shovel snow. The next day when his neighbors failed to see him about as usual, one of them, Miss Lottie Koffman, entered his home, found the first out, the bed undisturbed, and no trace of the aged man.

Seeking the aid of another neighbor, Mrs. Royer, he was taken to his premises, and Mr. Royer was found about noon lying in the snow at the rear of his garage, his body wedged tightly against the side of the building.

When the searchers made their appearance, Mr. Royer was conscious and demanded to know what was going on. He was carried into the house where his clothing was found

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LOSES ARM IN PRESS AT TITAN

Leonard Witt, 24, Victim of Accident; Fellow Worker Applies Tourniquet

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After the accident, Witt backed away from the machine and began to move away. Kerstetter, who was about 30 feet distant at the time, began running toward him, removing his belt at the same time. When he reached Witt, he immediately used the belt as a tourniquet, stopping the heavy loss of blood from the severed arm. The Widdowson ambulance was summoned and the injured man was taken to the hospital.

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STARS TO APPEAR IN BENEFIT GAME

Harrisburg Team to Meet Local Men at BHS Gym March 2

A special benefit basketball game, for the benefit of the Reg Cross drive, will be held at the Bellefonte High School gymnasium on Friday, March 2. It was announced yesterday by Jack Watson, athletic director of the Bellefonte YMCA, who is in charge of arrangements.

The program will include a preliminary game between girls' teams, at 7:15 p. m., and the feature game beginning at 8:15 p. m., between a Harrisburg team and an all-star Central Pennsylvania team.

Among the players on the Central Pennsylvania team will be Lohm, Ed Egan, of Lewisport; Vince Davis, of Lock Haven; Ollie Byers, of Williamsport.

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Serving in WAC



Pvt. Phyllis A. Sholl
Pvt. Sholl, 22, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John I. Sholl, of Milesburg, enlisted in the Women's Army Corps, November 27, 1944, and was called for training January 3, 1945. From Harrisburg she was sent to Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., where she is studying as a Medical Technician.

Miss Sholl was graduated from the Bellefonte High School in the class of 1940, and attended Penn State for three years where she majored in entomology. Before volunteering for service she was employed as a chemist for the Titan Metal Company.

SCRAP COLLECTION HERE TOMORROW

Trucks to Make Rounds to Gather Paper, Rags, Cans, Metal

Another townwide collection of scrap materials is to be held in Bellefonte tomorrow (Friday), it was announced yesterday.

In case of bad weather—rain or a deep snow—the collection will be postponed until Monday.

Scrap paper, cardboard, tin cans, metals of all kinds and rags will be included in the collection, which will begin at 9 a. m. Citizens are asked to set their contributions on the curb in front of their homes, and are asked to have the scrap out not later than 9 a. m., so that only one trip over each street by borough trucks will be necessary.

Paper, rags, cardboard and cans should be tied in bundles or placed in cartons for easy handling. The need for all kinds of scrap materials in the war effort, especially paper, remains acute and it is hoped that everyone will make a special effort to contribute heavily in tomorrow's collection, officials said.

74 TO UNDERGO PHYSICAL EXAMS

Board No. 2 to Send 18 Men for Induction on March 9

Draft Board No. 2, of Bellefonte, which has notified to send 18 men to Harrisburg on Friday, March 9, for induction, this week released the names of 74 men who are scheduled to go to Harrisburg on Saturday, March 3, for pre-induction physical examination.

Those slated for examination are as follows:
Edward Daniel Murphy, Osceola Mills, R. D. 1.
Lloyd Reese Wertz, Birmingham, Pa. (Julian).
Richard Allen Hunter, Tyrone, (Phillipsburg).
Raymond Labar Andrews, Philadelphia (Howard).
Elery Miles Watkins, Howard.
George Bernard Long, Howard.
John Harvey Ammerman, Turtle Creek (Phillipsburg).
Harry Milton Crain, New London, Conn. (Phillipsburg).
John William Gray, Mill Hall, (Howard).
Gilbert Lloyd Adams, Port Matilda, R. D.
Charles Alvin Shilling, Blanchard, John Samuel Lucas, Dawson Springs, Ky. (Phillipsburg).
James Andrew Spangler, Blanchard.
George Gibel, Lakewood, O. (Bellefonte).

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Former College Man Killed In France

Pvt. Harvey Ellis Maines, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Maines, formerly of State College, now of Tyrone, was killed in action in France on February 1, it was disclosed in a telegram from the U. S. War Department received recently by his parents.

Pvt. Maines attended the State College High School until February, 1940, when his parents moved to Tyrone. In addition to his parents he is survived by two sisters including Miss Lola Mae Maines of State College, and by two brothers.

Pvt. Maines, a member of a field artillery unit, enlisted in the service at the age of 18 and trained at Camp Polk, La., and at Camp Maxey, Texas, before going overseas a year ago.

DEER HOUNDED BY ROVING DOG PACKS

Starved Deer Reported Unable to Escape on Crusted Snow

Centre county's deer herd continues to fight the ravages of an unusually severe winter, and although much of the snow has melted from the woods and mountains, deer, weakened by lack of adequate food during the severe months, are faced by a new peril—pursuit by bands of roving dogs.

The food situation still continues to be a major problem for in many places the ground, remains covered with snow, but deer are able to move about with greater ease and can seek food in areas where the ground is bare.

The peril from dogs is great, however. The snow is covered with a hard crust, but the sharp hoofs of deer break through the crust, making speedy travel difficult. The crust easily supports the weight of dogs, and they have no difficulty in overtaking the deer.

An example of the destruction being wrought by dogs on the county's deer herd comes from Smulton. On Sunday, while returning home from Sunday school, Gene Bowersox, of that community, heard what he thought were the cries of some animal in pain. As he neared his home

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BOARD 1 CALLS 27 FOR INDUCTION

Group Will Go to Harrisburg March 8 to Begin Training

State College Draft Board No. 1 yesterday announced that 27 men will go to Harrisburg on Thursday, March 8, for induction into the armed forces.

The men are as follows:
Myers, Claude Homan, Lancaster.
Reigh, Bernard Charles, State College, R. D. 1.
Kerstetter, Thos. Randall, Spring Mills.
Lair, Roy Edward, Bellefonte, R. D. 3.
O'Bryan, Roy Decker, State College.
Hurwitz, Hassel, State College.
Rhodes, Emerson E. Lemont.
Carbaugh, Roy Obdiah, Scotland, Pa.
Reider, Earl Leroy, Rebersburg.
Spicer, Wilbur Lee, Oak Hall.
Coldren, Meredith M., Centre Hall.
Ebbs, Joseph Gray, S. Enola.
Sendik, John William, State College.
Johnson, Willis Arthur, State College, R. D. 1.
Duck, Elmer Ferdinand, Pleasant Gap.
Hornor, Elwood Hamilton, State College.
Sproat, Joseph Sullivan, Erie.
Moyer, Harry Leroy, State College, R. D. 1.
McClintic, Hugh Maynard, Pine Grove Mills.
Marshall, John Carlton, Pine Grove Mills.
Bailey, William Plick, State College, R. D. 1.
Young, Paul Gerald, Bellefonte, R. D. 1.
Myers, Charles Leroy, Penna. Furnace.
Poorman, Ralph Albert, State College, R. D. 1.
Stover, Dale, Aaronsburg.
Condo, Lawrence Leroy, Spring Mills, R. D.
Brown, Donald Roger, Lancaster.

RED CROSS QUOTA SET AT \$15,200

Over 30% of Total Fund Will Be Used For Local Work

Simultaneously with the opening of the national American Red Cross drive for \$200,000,000 to continue its world-wide operation with battle-front troops, in hospitals, and on the home front, Bellefonte officials and solicitors will seek to raise \$15,200 as its contribution towards the total sum.

Slightly over 30% or \$4,700 of the total amount raised in Bellefonte and vicinity will remain here to finance the numerous activities in which the Red Cross is engaged.

According to a revised budget recently released by Fred Warner, chairman of the 1945 War Fund, industries are expected to contribute \$570 of the total amount; while Bellefonte borough is expected to provide \$4170. Bush Addition is asked to contribute \$1000.

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Seriously Wounded



Pvt. James E. McClellan
Pvt. McClellan, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McClellan, of Pleasant Gap, was seriously wounded in Germany on February 11, according to a War Department telegram received yesterday by his parents.

He entered the service in January 1944 and after completing basic training at Ft. McClellan, Ala., was sent to Camp Shelby, Miss. Later he was transferred to Camp Edwards, Mass., and was stationed there in January this year when he was sent overseas. He was serving in an infantry unit.

In a letter written to his parents shortly after he was wounded, and received last week, he reported that he was not badly injured and that his parents were not to worry about him. Tuesday of this week the parents received a War Department card telling them their son was making a "normal recovery."

Prior to entering the armed forces he was employed in a garage at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Wolfberg Sentenced To 14 Months in Jail

Harry Wolfberg, Juniata Gap, was sentenced to undergo imprisonment in the Blair county jail for 14 months and to pay a fine of \$400 and costs of prosecution, when he appeared before Judge Ivan Walker of Centre county in the courtroom at Hollidaysburg, Friday.

Judge Walker directed that charges of "accessory" to bribery against Bernard Wayne of Altoona, be squashed.

On the charge of embezzlement and bribery, Wolfberg was fined \$200 and to serve not less than five months or more than 10 months in the Blair county jail; and on the charge of embezzlement, he was fined \$200 and sentenced to nine months in the Blair county jail.

Wolfberg had entered a plea of "no defense" on two counts of bribery and embezzlement before Judge Walker on January 15. The two offenses were committed on the evening of October 15, 1944, and were revealed by Judge George G. Patterson the next morning when he announced that two jurors sitting on the trial of Charles E. Rhoads had been approached and that one of them had received \$100 in cash.

Wolfberg was arrested by state police a few hours after the revelation and furnished bail for court hearing as did Wayne.

\$150 Damage, Girl Injured In Crash

One person was slightly injured and about \$150 damage resulted in an accident involving a truck and a sedan on Route 220, about four miles west of Port Matilda at 4:13 p. m. last Wednesday.

A U. S. government truck owned by the Department of Agriculture which was transporting milkweed pods and operated by Orin R. Williams, 34, of State College, and a sedan operated by Verl D. Whipp, 47, of Point Marion, Fayette county, were involved.

The accident is said to have happened when the machines, traveling in opposite directions, met at a point in the road where deep ruts had formed due to the melting snow. Miss Louise Ann Whipp, 19, a passenger in her father's car, received a bruise on the head when she was thrown against the windshield. State police from the Pleasant Gap station investigated the accident.

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Man Held In Theft of Women's Watches

Henry S. Klinefelter, of South Water street, Bellefonte, was held for the next term of court after a hearing before Squire Abram Houser of Rockview, last Thursday.

Klinefelter was held on charges of fraudulent conversion brought by members of the State Police at Rockview barracks on complaint of Anna Shadle and Mildred Brooks, both of Lock Haven.

At the hearing it was stated that the accused man stole two watches from the women and sold one of the time pieces. State Police recovered both watches.

Breaks Arm While Cranking Engine

James Grove, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grove of near Spring Mills, suffered a fracture of the right forearm while at the home of his grandfather, Witmer Grove, also of Spring Mills, R. D., last Tuesday evening.

The boy was injured while he was trying to crank a gasoline engine used to pump water from a nearby stream. He was brought to the Centre County Hospital where x-rays were made and a cast applied. He later returned to his home.

IOOF Party March 1

All members of the Bellefonte I. O. O. F. and friends are invited to a party to be held immediately after lodge session, Thursday, March 1. Special entertainment and refreshments are planned. Party starts at 8:15 p. m.

No Celebration Here on V-E Day

The Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce at a recent meeting again discussed plans for the observance of the conclusion of war in Europe, and indications are that there will be no gala celebration or widespread cessation of work.

In fact, V-E Day in Bellefonte will be much the same as any other day, to outward appearances. The churches are expected to hold special services, but plans made last year when it was believed the end of war in Europe was in sight, have been abandoned.

Stores will remain open as usual, work will continue in the various local industries, and there will be no planned celebration.

The change in the plan follows the national trend toward accepting V-E Day as merely one phase of the war's end, keeping in mind that the war with Japan remains to be won, and that American lives will continue to be lost until victory is assured.

The Chamber of Commerce instructed its secretary, Mrs. Mary Harvey Scott to communicate with Governor Martin, to determine

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Democrats Plan Jefferson Dinner

Plans for a Jefferson Day dinner in Centre county are now being prepared by the Democratic County Committee and the Women's Democratic Club.

The dinner probably will be held on Friday, April 13, at a place to be decided upon later. Other details of the program also will be announced in the near future.

Farmer Injured When Cow Lifts Its Head

Wilbur Dashem, Centre Hall farmer, was admitted to the Centre County Hospital dispensary, Tuesday, for treatment of injuries received when a cow lifted its head suddenly and struck him in the face.

Dashem suffered a severe laceration on the right side of the lips and cheek. After undergoing treatment he was permitted to return home.