

**NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.**

Only one more week in which to do your Christmas shopping, and the time will pass all too soon for the most of us.

At their fair and bazaar, held in the chapel, last Thursday afternoon, the ladies of the Presbyterian church cleared \$450.

The wedding of Robert Woodring, of Bellefonte, and Miss Margaret Loy, of Altoona, will take place tomorrow at the bride's home in Altoona.

Mrs. Frank Crawford's Sunday school class is offering for sale a very high grade of salted peanuts. Telephone 257. Orders cannot be taken later than Monday.

Mrs. Fred Healy was taken to the Centre county hospital Tuesday, where she is now slowly recovering from an operation performed shortly after her admittance.

The Shiloh Sunday school will hold its Christmas entertainment in the church at Shiloh on Sunday evening, December 26th, at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited.

A marriage license was granted at Cumberland, Md., last Thursday, to Clarence Albert Kellerman, of Milesburg, and Beatrice Kathleen Tierney, of Bellefonte.

If you're stuck as to an inexpensive remembrance to send some one whom you know is interested in Centre county why not phone us and have their name put on our list for a year.

Rev. M. DePui Maynard, of Ridgway, was a Bellefonte visitor the fore part of the week and on Monday evening gave a talk in the parish house of the Episcopal church on his trip to the Holy Land.

A total of 45,374 Christmas seals have been sold to date, as reported by the Bellefonte Tuberculosis committee. Help stamp out tuberculosis in Centre county by buying Christmas seals. They will be for sale by Girl Scouts at booths in different parts of town on Saturday evening.

Owing to the press of news that would have to be "killed" if crowded out of this issue we have held over until next week the regular installment of the Autobiography of Dr. Colfelt which many of our readers have become so much interested in. Next week we will publish two chapters of it.

If you can't think of anything else nicer to send that son or daughter, brother, sister or friend who are away from the old home why don't you send them the Watchman for a Christmas present. And we believe it would prove more pleasurable to them than a remembrance that might cost ten times as much.

An institutional farmers' week will be held at the Pennsylvania State College, January 10 to 14, R. G. Bressler, vice-dean of the school of agriculture, announces. The course is planned expressly for the farm superintendents of the various State, church, lodge, county and endowed charitable institutions in Pennsylvania.

State police pulled off several raids in Phillipsburg, last Thursday and Friday, uncovering a big cache of moonshine and confiscating several slot machines. The moonshine was found at the home of Charles Williams, in North Phillipsburg. There was a five gallon keg, a three gallon keg, fourteen quart bottles and three pint bottles, but no still. Williams was brought to the Centre county jail in default of bail.

Members of Bellefonte Kiwanis, with their wives, motored to State College, on Monday night, and joined State College Kiwanians in a ladies night dinner at the Centre Hills Country club. All told 150 people were present. R. I. Weber, of State College, presided. Ladies prizes were won by Mrs. L. D. Fye and Mrs. E. S. Weiser, of State College, and the men's prizes were taken by G. Oscar Gray and Frank Crawford, of Bellefonte. Dancing and cards followed the feast.

Shortly after six o'clock on Wednesday evening Samuel Shultz, of Bellefonte, was crossing High street from north Water street to south Water street in his Ford car just as Simon Hockenberry was on his way up High street. The latter hit the Ford, knocked it past the traffic light over against the curb at the Bush Arcade and from there it careened out Water street about fifty feet and turned around in the road, with the result that both wheels on the left side of the car collapsed. Hockenberry's car was not damaged at all.

The Bellefonte Academy football team, twenty-seven strong, will leave Bellefonte on a special Pullman car, attached to the 3:08 p. m. train this afternoon, for Cisco, Texas, for their Christmas game with Randolph College. They will stop enroute at Sherman, Texas, where they played last year. The football management, last Friday, received a proposition to play the Tallahoesa, Alabama, High school at Los Angeles, Cal., on Christmas but was compelled to reject it, as they could not cancel the game at Cisco. Negotiations were closed yesterday for a game with the Tonkawa Junior college, at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on New Year's day.

**DECEMBER COURT CONVENED ON MONDAY.**

**Quarter Sessions List Small, Many Civil Cases Continued.**

The regular December session of court convened on Monday morning with Judge Harry Keller on the bench. A few motions and petitions were presented after which the list of grand jurors was called and George G. Fink, of Phillipsburg, appointed foreman.

The list of civil cases for next week was gone over and disposition made of the following: George E. Harper and Mary E. Harper, his wife, vs. G. D. Morrison and Myrtle Morrison, his wife. Being an action in assumpsit; settled.

Gordon Brothers, Incorporated, vs. M. D. Kelley and H. P. Kelley, trading and doing business as Kelley Brothers Coal company. An action in assumpsit; continued owing to the illness of M. D. Kelley in the hospital.

Evan Davis, Elizabeth Ross, Maggie Brighton, by their attorney-in-fact, Fred Brighton, and William Wood, guardian of Edward Davis and William Davis, vs. Penelec Coal corporation. An action in trespass; continued.

O. C. Struble vs. Anna M. Myer, owner or reputed owner. Scire facias sub mechanics lien; continued.

M. I. Gardner vs. Highland Clay Products company. An action in assumpsit; continued.

Antoine H. Burke and Mary L. Burke, a co-partnership, trading as Burke Brothers, vs. C. W. Hunter. An action in assumpsit; continued.

George A. Reiver vs. P. R. Campbell. An action in trespass; continued.

Della Reiver and George A. Reiver vs. P. R. Campbell. An action in trespass; continued.

General Motors Acceptance corporation vs. H. A. Mark Motor company and Alfred P. Butler. An action in replevin; continued.

Commonwealth vs. Charles M. Edwards. Charged with statutory crime. Prosecutrix, Mary E. Corman. Defendant waived the finding of the grand jury, plead guilty and the usual sentence in such cases was imposed.

Commonwealth vs. Katie Kadish. Indicted for manufacturing liquor and possession of liquor for beverage purposes. Prosecutrix, J. C. Wedekind. The defendant plead guilty and sentence was suspended upon payment of costs.

Commonwealth vs. Joseph Kadish. Indicted for manufacturing liquor; second count, possession of liquor for beverage purposes. Prosecutrix, J. C. Wedekind. The defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, \$200.00 fine and six months in the county jail.

Commonwealth vs. Charles Williams. Indicted for manufacturing liquor; second count, possession of liquor for beverage purposes. Prosecutrix, Corporal Harold W. Pierce, of the State police. The defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$200.00, and one year in the county jail.

Commonwealth vs. Julius Hanwauski. Indicted for planning to break from the penitentiary at Rockview; and second count, indicted for carrying concealed weapons. Prosecutrix, W. J. McFarland, deputy warden. According to the testimony one of the guards at the penitentiary discovered a note which informed him that there would be an attempt made by the defendant to leave the penitentiary on the night of October 6th. This guard promptly informed another guard who got in touch with the deputy warden. The defendant was seized and searched, and he was found with two suits of underwear on, a package of letters and papers between his shirts, and an automatic revolver, a safety razor and a small chisel. The case was tried on Monday and delivered to the jury on Tuesday morning. They found Hanwauski guilty as indicted and the court promptly sentenced him to 5 to 10 years in the penitentiary for planning to escape and six months to a year for carrying concealed deadly weapons. Hanwauski was sent up from Washington county in 1920 for 10 to 20 years for robbery and as one sentence succeeds another he has a long time behind prison walls ahead of him.

Commonwealth vs. W. B. Smith. Indicted for violation of the automobile laws. Prosecutrix, George C. Kelley, State highway patrol. This case grows out of an accident in the borough of Bellefonte and at the close of the Commonwealth's testimony counsel for the defendant moved the court for a compulsory nol pros, which was granted.

Commonwealth vs. Ray Allison. Prosecutrix, William Solt. Defendant indicted for assault and battery. He plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution and one dollar fine.

Commonwealth vs. Ray Allison. Prosecutrix, Joseph S. Stover. The defendant plead guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution and one dollar fine.

Commonwealth vs. Anna Miko and Stanley Miko. Prosecutrix, Anna Golengaski. Indicted for violation of liquor laws. First count selling intoxicating liquor; second count, possession of intoxicating liquor for beverage purposes; third count, manufacturing. The defendants both plead guilty and sentence was suspended on Anna Miko but Stanley Miko was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, \$200 fine and six months in the county jail.

Commonwealth vs. John E. McGinnis. Prosecutrix, Thomas E. Cotton. Indicted for embezzlement. The defendant plead guilty and sentence was suspended upon payment of costs and restitution of the money.

Commonwealth vs. John E. McGinnis. Prosecutrix, Thomas E. Cotton. Indicted for forgery. The defendant plead guilty and sentence was suspended upon payment of costs and restitution of the money.

Commonwealth vs. Robert Hendershot. Charged with assault and battery. Prosecutrix, Hattie Hendershot. Nol pros.

Commonwealth vs. Jay R. Creegan. Charged with passing worthless checks. Prosecutrix, J. R. Hafer. Nol pros. Four other cases against Creegan were nol pros.

Commonwealth vs. Curtiss H. Poff. Charged with reckless driving. Prosecutrix, John B. Maxwell. Nol pros.

Commonwealth vs. Clay Johnstonbaugh. Charged with violation of automobile laws. Prosecutrix, Henry C. Yeagley. Bill ignored.

**OSCAR LUCAS ARRESTED FOR BURGLARY AND HOLD-UP.**

**Blamed for Robbing Potter-Hoy Company and Holding Up Two Taxi Drivers.**

Bellefonte has a youthful Jesse James, if all the charges brought against Oscar Lucas, twenty-two years old, are proven correct, but unlike Jessie his mad career of crime has been nipped in the bud and he will probably have a long time in which to study and plan reformation.

On Wednesday night of last week the offices of the Whiterock quarries, out at Pleasant Gap, were broken into and robbed but the man who pulled the trick did not get much of value.

On Thursday night the Potter-Hoy Hardware store in Bellefonte was robbed. Between forty and fifty dollars in cash was taken, a revolver and cartridges, and a number of watches, the total loss being between \$150 and \$200. Saturday night a Lock Haven taxi driver by the name of Salvatore Marasco was held up down near Sunnyside and robbed of \$31, and on Sunday night Harry Resides, of State College, was held up down near Lyontown and robbed of between \$40 and \$45 in cash and his car, the latter later being found on Quaker hill, Bellefonte.

Lucas was arrested early Monday morning on the charge of committing all the above and at hearings the same afternoon was held in \$5000 bail for each offence. There is no doubt that Lucas committed the robbery at the Potter-Hoy company store, as practically everything stolen but the cash has been recovered, and both taxi men positively identified him as the man who held them up.

According to the Lock Haven man's story he was in the Irvin house when Lucas appeared and asked for a taxi driver to take him to Bellefonte. Marasco volunteered to make the trip for \$10. They left Lock Haven something after twelve o'clock and when they reached Bellefonte Lucas directed him to drive down to Sunnyside. When they got there Lucas told the driver to stop. He then climbed out of the car and reached in his pocket and Marasco naturally thought he was getting the money to pay him. Instead of that he drew a revolver and told Marasco to "stick 'em up." The latter was a little slow in doing so when the revolver was shoved closer and the demand repeated when the driver lost no time in putting up his hands. He was then ordered to back out of the car and to stand still with his hands in the air. The man then frisked his clothing, taking his wallet which contained \$31. Marasco was then ordered back into the car and told to drive away without looking back, and he did.

The Resides hold-up was performed in a similar manner. A man, who was identified by three people as Lucas, appeared at the hotel in State College shortly after ten o'clock on Sunday evening and inquired where he could get a taxi to take him to Bellefonte. Harry Resides was called and when he appeared the man made a deal with him to take him to Lyontown, two miles east of Bellefonte on the Jacksville road. When they got down to the road which runs into Lyontown the man told Resides to stop the car and as he did so the muzzle of a revolver was pressed against the back of his head and he was ordered to "stick 'em up." Keeping him covered the man backed out of the car and compelled Resides to back out. He then frisked his clothing, getting between forty and fifty dollars. He compelled Resides to walk down the road and jumping into the car he drove off alone.

Resides went to a farm house, reported the holdup and got the farmer to bring him to Bellefonte. He then reported the robbery and holdup to the sheriff and chief of police Harry Dukeman. Both officers got busy with the result that the car was found on Quaker hill, not far from Lucas' home on Pine street. He was arrested Monday morning and the hearing in the case of the Lock Haven taxi driver held before 'Squire Woodring. Marasco positively identified Lucas and he was held in \$5,000 bail for court.

The other hearings were held before 'Squire Keichline and he held him in \$5,000 bail in each one.

Lucas was discharged from the Centre county jail on November 22nd on parole, after having served nine months of a one to two year's sentence for larceny, being given three months in which to pay the costs in the case. While in jail he claimed to the men who went there every Sunday to hold religious services that he had reformed and when he got out he would travel the straight and narrow path. But if all the charges that have been filed up against him are correct he has certainly been cutting a wide swath during the past week.

Men's one buckle heavy artics, \$1.95.—Nittany Shoe Store. 50-1t

Ladies' 4 buckle artics, \$2.65, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Chicken and Waffle Supper. Ladies' Volunteer Bible class will hold a chicken and waffle supper at the Methodist church, December 21st, from 5 to 8. Adults 75 cents. Children under 12 years 40 cents. Everybody welcome.

Men's felt slippers, 69c.—Nittany Shoe Store. 50-1t

**NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.**

Robert F. Hunter and Prof. A. H. Sloop drove to Hazleton on Wednesday to remain until today.

Mrs. J. R. Driver spent yesterday doing some Christmas shopping in Altoona and visiting with her sister, Mrs. F. M. Musser.

Miss Emily Crider is making one of her frequent visits to Philadelphia, intending to spend a week there with her sister and some friends.

Mollie Shugert, who is taking her first year at Fairfax Hall, Va., is expected home to-day, to spend the Holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. John M. Shugert.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dollinger drove in from Ashtabula, Ohio, Sunday, expecting to visit here with Mrs. Dollinger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haag, for a month or two.

Judge and Mrs. Harry Keller have closed their house on east Main street and are now at the Lansy Annex, where they anticipate spending the remainder of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Barnhart, of east High St., expect to leave next Thursday for Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will spend the Christmas season with the A. C. Harper family.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lamb will have as Christmas guests, their daughter and husband, Mrs. Frank Godshall and Mr. Godshall, who are expected here to-morrow from Camden, N. J.

William Schaeffer and his daughter will be here to-day from Millburg, for the funeral of the late Mrs. Lewis A. Schaeffer, which will be from the Schaeffer home on Curtin street this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Barry Case, of Washington, D. C., are expected here Wednesday next for the Christmas season, which will be spent with Mrs. Case's mother, Mrs. Wm. McGowan and the family.

Among those who have already left Bellefonte to spend the Holiday season with relatives is Mrs. A. C. Hewitt and her son Allen, of west Linn street, who have gone to Mrs. Hewitt's former home at Cincinnati.

Rebecca and Charles Dorworth will be among the early arrivals home for their Christmas vacation, expecting to be in Bellefonte tomorrow. The vacation will be spent with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dorworth, at the Brockerhoff house.

Mary Orvis Harvey a member of the younger set and a student at Briarcliff, will be among the early arrivals home for the Christmas holidays, which will be spent with her mother and grand-parents, Mrs. Betty Orvis Harvey and Judge and Mrs. Orvis.

Miss Josephine White, who had been in Bellefonte with her aunt, Miss Charlotte Powell, for a part of the fall, has gone to West Chester. Miss White will be there with her sister, Mrs. William Hoopes, for an indefinite time, having planned to locate in the east.

Miss Belle Ross, who has been in charge of the warden's home at the western penitentiary for the past twelve years, was in Bellefonte, Tuesday, shopping in anticipation of Christmas. Miss Ross was a guest that day at a venison dinner given by Mrs. H. P. Schaeffer.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Bower are entertaining their daughter, Mrs. Woche and her son, who are here from New York and who will be joined next week by Mr. Woche, coming to Bellefonte to join the Christmas family party at the Bower home on east Linn street.

Harry H. Curtin, returned home Tuesday evening from Norfolk, Va., where he had been called by the serious illness of Mrs. Curtin, who has been there under the care of Dr. Wilcox for several weeks. Mrs. Wilcox and Mrs. Curtin were formerly the Misses Eleanor and Elizabeth Ardell.

Mrs. H. S. Cooper left, yesterday, to return to her home at Galveston, Texas, following a six months visit here with her aunt, Miss Sarah Benner. Owing to the ill health of her aunt Mrs. Cooper has been dividing the time between her own home in Texas and Bellefonte until it has become a custom.

Mrs. John A. Woodcock will close her home and leave early in the week to spend the remainder of the winter with her sons in Scranton and Syracuse, and with relatives at her former home at Chambersburg and the Cumberland valley. Mrs. Woodcock does not expect to return to Bellefonte before April.

Mrs. O. G. McMillan, of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. Basil Mott, with her youngest child, were arrivals in Bellefonte this week. Mrs. McMillan came for a visit of several days only, with her mother, Mrs. Odille Mott while Mrs. Basil Mott was returning from an extended visit at her former home in New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seel, of Paxtang, were in Bellefonte Wednesday and part of yesterday, having driven up for a farewell visit with Mrs. Seel's mother, Mrs. Martin Fauble, and the family, before sailing for the winter abroad. The Seels expect to sail early in January and will remain abroad until May, spending most of their time along the Italian and French Riviera.

The Watchman office was favored on Monday with a call from Lloyd Frank, one of the well known young men, of Frankville. Accompanied by his wife and two little boys, his sister-in-law, Mrs. Milton Daid, and her little son, of Pine Grove Mills, he motored to Bellefonte, his time being taken up attending to some business matters while the ladies did some Christmas shopping.

Harry T. McDowell, of Heward, who as the years roll on seems to come less to Bellefonte, was in town Monday and Tuesday doing duty as a grand juror at court. It was Harry's first experience on the grand jury and he was pleased with it on that account, as he wanted to know just how the work is done, but curiosity being satisfied we presume he is like a lot of others of us who don't have much desire to be drawn again.

N. E. Hess, big game hunter and identified with many of the leading business enterprises of State College, was in town Monday for a little while. He wouldn't stay here long enough to tell all we wanted to know of his recent pilgrimages into the forests, where he captured those wonderful trophies that are on display in the window of Harvey Schaeffer's hardware store. Certainly it must have been great sport stalking the caribou that yielded the superb head that is in the collection.

**Twelve Centre County Dairymen to be Awarded Diplomas.**

Eight Centre county dairymen have been awarded places on the National Dairy honor roll by producing an average of over 300 pounds of butterfat per cow in their herds for the year 1925-'26, and will be presented with an engraved diploma twelve by sixteen inches in size, with a red seal for the first year and a blue seal for repeating the second year, at the annual meeting of the Agricultural Extension Association in the Moose Temple theatre Thursday of next week.

The eight dairymen are Allen Harter and Ward Krape, of Bellefonte; T. C. Crider, of Liberty township; the Peck Bros., of the Nolan Bros., of Nittany; Mayes and Confer, of Howard; John Hayes, of Hublersburg, and Harter Bros., of Bellefonte.

At the same time the following four dairymen who were placed on the honor roll for the year 1924-'25 will be presented with their diplomas, namely: Peters Bros., of Stormstown; T. C. Crider, of Liberty township; the Peck Bros., of Nittany, and Boyd A. Sampsell, of Bellefonte.

Every farmer in Centre county is a member of the Agricultural Extension Association and as many as can possibly do so are urged to attend the annual meeting next Thursday. The morning session will be devoted to the business meeting while the afternoon session will be featured by several good talks on questions of interest to every farmer. In the morning there will also be a session especially for the women in the grand jury room in the court house.

Men's \$7 oxfords and shoes, \$4.85, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Interscholastic Athletic Association Reorganized. Distric No. 6, of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic association, which includes thirty-nine member High schools in Clinton, Centre, Blair, Cambria, Clearfield and Huntingdon counties, met at the Penn Alto hotel, in Altoona, last Saturday, and reorganized for the ensuing year by electing Mr. Puderbaugh, of Lock Haven, chairman; Mr. Bell, of Altoona, secretary, and E. K. Stock, of Bellefonte, treasurer. Five schools were selected as representatives to form the district committee and have general supervision of athletic contests in the district, namely: Bellefonte, Lock Haven, Altoona, Clearfield and Johnstown.

Proposed changes in the constitution and eligibility rules were discussed and it was the general sentiment that the rule barring players after their eighth semester in the High schools should be retained.

Boy's school and dress shoes, \$2.85, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Men's \$7 oxfords, \$4.85, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Hassinger-Newell.—A quiet wedding took place at the Presbyterian manse, at three o'clock on Sunday afternoon, when Charles Alfred Hassinger and Miss Florence Mae Newell, both of Renovo, were married by the pastor, Rev. W. C. Thompson. There were no attendants. Mr. Hassinger is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hassinger, of east Curtin street, Bellefonte, but has been located in Renovo for some years as an employee in the railroad shops.

Ladies' silk hose guaranteed to wear six months or a new pair, only \$1.00, at Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Stanley—Carlson.—Earl Thomas Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Stanley, of Milesburg, and Miss Helen Louise Carlson, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carlson, of Tyrone, were married at the Methodist church, in Tyrone, last Saturday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. Gordon A. Williams. Mr. Stanley is a Pennsylvania railroad fireman and the young couple will reside in Tyrone.

Ladies' \$1.50 silk hose reduced to \$1.00, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Centre county got the tail end of the Alaska blizzard which struck the northwest early in the week. There was not much snow but the thermometer was down around the zero mark yesterday morning.

Ladies' best quality rubbers, only 95c, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

For Sale—One set of 42 volumes of Voltaire, value \$150.00. Sale price \$30.00. Telephone 5-J. 50-1t

For Rent.—Two one car garages near the station. Inquire at this office.

\$5 growing girl's tan oxfords, \$3.85, Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

Six months guarantee on ladies silk hose or a new pair, only \$1.00 at Yeager's Tiny Boot Shop. 50-1t

**Bellefonte Grain Markets.**

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Wheat	\$1.30
Eye	.90
Oats	.60
Corn	.85
Barley	.70
Buckwheat	.90