

NEWS ABOUT TOWN AND COUNTY.

At a meeting of county treasurers, held in Harrisburg last week, a State association was organized with John Francis, of Allegheny county, as president.

The Post office Department announces a civil service examination for the position of clerk-carrier in the Bellefonte postoffice, all applications to be on file not later than February 1st. Full particulars can be obtained by inquiring at the Bellefonte office.

While skating on the snow covered pavement at the Col. W. Fred Reynolds residence, on Tuesday morning, Fred Lose fell and struck his head on the sidewalk. At first he was thought to be seriously injured but a physical examination showed that such was not the case.

Enrolled in the short courses in agriculture and dairy manufacturing at the Pennsylvania State College are 93 students representing five States, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, Massachusetts, and Alabama. Twenty-five of the winter course students are studying the testing of dairy products and the manufacture of butter and cheese. The other 68 are enrolled in general agriculture.

Paul Collins, piloting the night airmail from New York to Chicago, last Wednesday night, was forced down near Shamokin when he ran into a hard snow storm. He was not injured but his plane was considerably damaged. Forest Tanner, manager of the Bellefonte field, went to Shamokin and took the mail to Sunbury and sent it to Cleveland by train. Collins also went west by train Thursday afternoon.

The Centre county association of Philadelphia, will celebrate its one-fourth of a century anniversary at its mid-winter banquet to be held at the Bellevue-Stratford on Thursday evening, February 7th. The Centre county association has a membership which exceeds one hundred and their semi-annual gatherings, a banquet in the winter and picnic in the summer, are affairs which attract considerable notice in the Quaker city.

Every apartment in the newly-rebuilt portion of Petrikin hall has been spoken for. Only one of them is now occupied, the west apartment on the first floor by Mrs. Krader. George Lyon will take the east apartment on the same floor and Homer P. Barnes and sister, Mrs. Daisy Henderson, the rear apartment. The second floor apartments will be taken by Harris Holmes, Mrs. John M. Shugert and Graham Hunter.

The Bellefonte Academy basketball team will play the Pitt Freshmen, at Pittsburgh, this evening. The Academy boxing team also departed today for Monroe Falls, N. Y., where tomorrow evening they will engage in their first boxing meet of the season with Cook Academy. Last year Cook Academy won the meet with the Bellefonte boxers by a narrow margin but efforts will be made to turn the trick the other way this year. It might here be added that the Bellefonte Academy boxers will put on three meets during the winter in the State theatre.

While showing prospective tenants through the Forge House, on Sunday evening, agent G. Oscar Gray was surprised to find Wilbur Miller, stepson, of Caleb Miller, of Bush Addition, in the house. He also discovered that the house had been robbed of several hundred dollars' worth of furnishings. On Monday county detective Leo Boden arrested Wilbur and Kenneth Miller and recovered most of the stolen property. Wilbur was admitted to bail for trial at court and Kenneth, who is only 14 years old, was paroled in the custody of his step-father.

On Monday Fred Perret, of the Beatty Motor company, drove out to Pittsburgh on a business trip. Above Cresson he ran into a regular snow storm and blizzard and found a young man standing in the road so benumbed by the cold he was unable to move or talk. Mr. Perret managed to get him into his car and drove on to the nearest garage where he stopped and got the man thawed out sufficiently to talk. He said that he was hiking from New York to Pittsburgh where he had relatives and the promise of a job. Mr. Perret took him along to Pittsburgh and found the young man's story true, as his relatives lived only a block from the home of Perret's parents.

Official election returns show that the Pennsylvania State College \$8,000,000 bond issue amendment which was defeated at the November election by 26,561 votes, received the highest total vote of all the amendments. The total "yes" and "no" votes for the State College issue was 1,249,575 while the voting machine amendment which was second highest was 1,093,039. The total affirmative vote on the Penn State issue was 611,507 while the negative vote was 638,658. The State College amendment won in 38 out of the 67 counties of the State while the voting machine amendment, which was the only amendment that carried more counties than the State College issue, won in 47 counties.

TWO COURT APPOINTEES

SUBMIT FIRST REPORTS.

Probation Officer and County Detective Give Figures on Work Since Their Appointment.

Following is the first annual report of Roy Wilkinson, probation, probation and parole officer, for the year 1928, as submitted to Judge M. Ward Fleming, and given out to the newspapers through his office for publication:

Honorable M. Ward Fleming, President Judge of the Courts of Centre county.

I hereby submit my first annual report as Deserter, Probation and Parole Officer for the year 1928.

Salary \$ 2500.00

Traveling expenses 572.01—\$ 3072.10

RECEIPTS.

Fines \$ 5429.26

Costs 4967.73

Support 3016.25

Restitution 416.77

Lying-in expenses 70.00

Cash security 509.00—\$13800.04

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid County Commissioners, costs and fines \$ 7676.73

Paid for support 2538.15

Paid for restitution 416.77

Paid for lying-in expenses 55.00

Paid out to Sheriff for costs 200.00

Paid to Clerk of Court by defendants \$832.95

Cash in Bank January 1, 1929 1750.84—\$13800.04

FINES AND COSTS COLLECTED

Accrued in years, as follows:

1921 \$ 28.36

1922 60.00

1923 36.82

1924 1782.48

1925 112.98

1926 1562.92

1927 6889.04

1928 1252.77

1929 1292.06—\$12363.73

*Two fines amounted to \$400.

SUMMARY OF OTHER OFFICIAL DUTIES.

In addition to distributing the amounts which have been accounted for that came to me for support in amounts ranging from \$5.00 to \$50.00 per month, the latter being the largest order on my record, I have expended efforts to obtain collections from defendants who have failed to obey the order of court by sending out notices. Defendants are not rightfully entitled to this but, inasmuch in years past no effort was made to enforce this and there were many against whom orders were made as long as six to eight years ago and who had utterly disregarded the same, this method was adopted. The bench warrant is the quickest, easiest and best method and has been invoked in many instances with the result that many defendants in arrears hundreds of dollars have been brought to time and compelled to pay the amounts due, which service leaves a lasting impression with the delinquent and carries with it the convincing argument that an order of court must be complied with. Many families have been reunited and living happily together who had been separated for a greater or less period of time, thus affording, where there were children, the opportunity for them to enjoy the care and protection of their parents; others whose homes were about to be broken up have had their differences adjusted without airing their troubles in open court, thus saving considerable money for the taxpayers.

Domestic relations and non-support cases are increasing to an alarming extent, few marriages more divorces, that is the trend of modern living. Despite the increase in population the number of marriages in 1927 actually fell off 1880 as compared with 1926, according to figures recently made public by the United States census bureau. During the same period the number of divorces increased by 11,184. This is alarming and causes an abserver to stop, think and wonder what is going to happen to American society.

Due to industrial conditions, it has been a problem with defendants on probation and parole, but notwithstanding this difficulty employment has been found for many, thus giving them the opportunity to earn for themselves and families an honest livelihood and meet the conditions as laid down by the court.

Under the Act of Assembly of 1885 a fee of \$4.00 is taxable in criminal cases for the use of the county. This had been overlooked for many years. The county is now receiving the benefit of this fee and hundreds of dollars have been collected. The lack of employment for defendants confined in the county jail is a serious problem, as idleness leads to the commission of additional crime after the unfortunate is released to again take his place in society.

The establishment of an adequate system covering all angles of the work has not been an easy task and is not yet perfected, but the moneys collected and the work accomplished stand as mute evidence and justification for the creation of the office.

Respectfully submitted, (Signed) ROY WILKINSON, Deserter, Probation and Parole Officer, Bellefonte, Pa. January 7, 1929.

REPORT OF COUNTY DETECTIVE.

The report of county detective Leo

Boden for the six months and a half he has been in office is as follows.

To the Honorable Court:

I hereby submit the following report of duties performed as county detective, from June 15, 1928, to December 31st, 1928, inclusive:

Salary \$ 812.50
Traveling expenses 1018.66—\$ 1831.16
Fines imposed by the Court 4777.00
Sheriff's sale of confiscated truck 24.50—\$ 4801.50
Stolen property reported 493.25
Truck confiscated for violation of liquor laws 1
Automobiles confiscated for violation of liquor laws 3
Gambling devices confiscated including punch boards 15
Total arrests having been made 49
Of those there has been disposed of those prosecuted by this office there was found not guilty 2
Number to be disposed of 16
Arrests for various crimes were violation of liquor laws 2
Setting up gambling devices 8
Breaking, entering and larceny 5
Contempt of Court 2
Statutory offences 1
Bardly house 1
Larceny 1
Assault and battery 1
Forgery 1
Number of complaints received 137
Number of investigations made 97
Requests for assistance by other police officers 9

It is my opinion from reference number of complaints that came in during my first four months in office and that during the last two months of 1928 there were less violations of the various laws. Some have been arrested and the moral effect on others seems to have had some influence and now, since the people of Centre county are becoming more acquainted with the office and with the duties of the office, co-operation is becoming better.

In past years dance halls in Centre county have been operating without a license. Calling your attention to the Act of May 11th, 1927, No. 461, Page 968, an act which reads to provide for the licensing and regulation of public dance halls and ball rooms, and for the regulation and supervision of public dance halls and ball rooms, in townships. The fee for these licenses for dance halls, etc., would provide more money to the county, hence saving to the taxpayers and at the same time would give this office some control of dance halls, etc.

Respectfully submitted, (Signed) LEO BODEN, County Detective

Rev. Father Downes to Celebrate 25th Anniversary of Ordination.

The Very Reverend William E. Downes, pastor of St. John's Catholic church, of Bellefonte, will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on Wednesday, January 30th. Solemn High mass will be celebrated in St. John's Catholic church at 10:30 o'clock in the morning to which all friends of Father Downes are invited, whether members of his church or not. All visiting priests will be entertained at dinner at the rectory at 12:30 o'clock.

In this connection we might add that Father Downes was born in Tyrone. He was educated at Mt. St. Mary's college, Emmitsburg, Md., the second oldest Catholic college in the United States. Later he graduated at Mt. St. Mary's theological seminary and following his ordination to the priesthood took a post graduate course in Canon law at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. During his priesthood he has been assistant at the pro-cathedral in Altoona and St. Columbus, Johnstown. Before the age of thirty years he was pastor of St. Thomas church, Bedford, coming to Bellefonte almost twelve years ago as pastor of St. John's church. He is the dean of Centre and Clinton counties in Altoona Diocese, and secretary of the school board in the same Diocese.

Milton C. Work, Bridge Expert, at State College This Evening.

Milton C. Work, the champion bridge player, will lecture in the auditorium, at State College, this (Friday) evening on "Auction Bridge."

Mr. Work was born in Philadelphia 64 years ago. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and during his college career played baseball, cricket and tennis. During his Junior year he captained the whist team in the first duplicate whist match ever played, and won by a wide margin.

For twenty years he practiced law in Philadelphia and at the same time wrote a number of books on the game of bridge. In fact, all told, he has written some seventeen or eighteen books, all of which are regarded as an authority.

During the war he gave up his law practice and devoted his time to Red Cross work. By lecturing and giving lessons in auction bridge he raised almost \$100,000 which he turned over to the Red Cross. Since the close of the war all his time has been devoted to lecturing and teaching the game.

Bellefonte has a large number of bridge enthusiasts and many of them will probably go to State College this evening to hear Mr. Work. The lecture will be given in the auditorium and tickets will be \$1.00 and .75 cts.

Eckman's Beauty Shoppe is pleased to announce that they have secured the services of Miss Nina V. Shook, who for the past five years has taught beauty culture at the Madama Sadonia beauty school in Scranton and at the Emilee Shore beauty academy in New York city. Truly she is an artist in all lines of beauty culture. Phone 550 for appointments. 74-3-1t

ANNUAL MEETING OF BELLEFONTE TRUST CO.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bellefonte Trust company was held on Tuesday, January 15. The board of directors was re-elected as follows: J. L. Spangler, J. L. Seibert, F. L. Wetzler, C. Y. Wagner, W. J. Emerick, J. T. Henry, A. R. McNitt, L. H. McMullen, N. E. Robb.

The board organized by electing Col. J. L. Spangler, president; C. Y. Wagner, vice president; N. E. Robb, secretary-treasurer; E. S. Orr, assistant secretary-treasurer; N. E. Robb, trust officer, and Helen R. Williams, 2nd assistant treasurer-trust officer.

The auditors appointed to audit the accounts reported: "We find after a thorough audit all property pertaining to the business of the Bellefonte Trust company to be in excellent shape." The stockholders were furnished with a copy of the auditors' report.

N. E. Robb, treasurer, reported that the year 1928 was a banner year. The capital stock was increased from \$180,000.00 to \$200,000.00, surplus from \$100,000.00 to \$120,000.00, undivided profits from \$39,739.23 to \$48,879.45, resources were increased nearly \$100,000.00 and the Trust department showed very gratifying increase.

Immediately after the adjournment of the stockholders meeting a very delicious banquet was served by M. A. Lansdy, proprietor of the Brock-erhoff hotel. There were 89 stockholders and friends of the company present. J. M. Steere, vice president in charge of the entire Trust department of the Girard Trust company, Philadelphia, was present and gave a very interesting talk on the subjects, "How a Will Should be Drawn" and also "How a Life Insurance Trust Agreement Should be Drawn."

He detailed in a very plain way the importance of everyone making a will and what a will should contain for the protection of the legatees of the decedent. He very briefly explained the simplicity of how a life insurance trust agreement should be drawn so that the beneficiaries would be protected by placing the proceeds of the life insurance policy or policies in trust. He said it was a very dangerous thing to dump a large amount of insurance money into the lap of a widow or into the hands of inexperienced children. He also dwelt on the importance of making a Trust company instead of an individual the executor of an estate. After setting forth all the important features of these two subjects Mr. Steere invited any questions that might have come into the mind of anyone present and answered them in a satisfactory way.

The Bellefonte Trust company, its stockholders and friends are to be congratulated on having been able to secure the services of a man like Mr. Steere to come here and give them a talk, such as he did, on the subjects in which everyone is vitally interested.

A very nice musical program was arranged by Cecil A. Walker and Miss Miriam L. Smith.

Centre County Lambs Going to State Farm Products Show.

Centre county will be represented at the State farm products show, in Harrisburg next week, in the boys and girls club department, with an exhibition of forty-three head of fat lambs. These lambs have been fed by thirteen boys and girls over the county in pens of three. This is the third year for a number of the boys and girls in lamb feeding work and their past experience has been a great benefit to them in their lamb club work.

According to county agent R. C. Blaney, the lambs going to Harrisburg this year are much better than last year and it is expected the boys and girls will win over a hundred dollars in prize money.

The lambs will be judged in competition with lambs from other counties and later will be sold to butchers and farmers over the State. The lambs will be sold at auction in pens of three and four to the highest bidder. They will be judged on Wednesday, January 23rd, at ten o'clock, in what is known as the Inez building, or the old Duco building. The sale will be continued in the same building the following day at two o'clock.

Many Increases in Salaries Put Up to Legislature.

The Legislature, which reconvened on Monday, will likely have for consideration during its session an increase in salaries of many State and county officers, if the recommendations of the Salary Survey Commission are acted upon. The Commission recommends an increase in the Governor's salary from \$18,000 to \$20,000; \$15,000 a year for both the Attorney General and Superintendent of Public Instruction, and \$10,000 annually for members of the Governor's cabinet instead of \$8,000, the present salary.

The salaries of all judges in the State would be increased \$1,000, which would make Judge Fleming's stipend in Centre county \$8,000 instead of \$7,000. The pay of county officers would also be increased, but the only ones effected in Centre county would be the county commissioner and whose salary would be raised from \$1,000 a year to \$1,500. No other office in this county would be affected.

NEWS PURELY PERSONAL

Mrs. Susan E. Huff, of Milesburg, is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Frank Crawford, on east curtain street.

Mrs. O. G. Morgan, of Logan street, is among those seriously ill in Bellefonte, suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

Harvey D. Dunkle, well known Nittany valley farmer, was in town on business Monday morning and made a pleasant call at this office.

Mrs. D. I. Willard arrived home from Wilkensburg, Tuesday, following her annual winter visit with her children in the vicinity of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Willard left Bellefonte in November.

During the icy roads Colonel Decker and his sales manager, Harry McClelland, drove to Pittsburgh yesterday morning to be there for the big Chevrolet banquet and sales pow-wow last night.

Jesse Derstine and his youngest daughter, Betty will arrive here tomorrow from Ambridge, Mr. Derstine coming for a week-end visit with his mother, while Miss Betty expects to remain in Bellefonte until spring.

Mrs. John McGowan was brought to Bellefonte Tuesday, from her home near Snow Shoe, and entered as a patient in the Centre county hospital, suffering with a heart ailment, for which she will be under treatment while here.

Fred B. Healy returned home from the Johns Hopkins hospital, on Tuesday, very much improved in health and with every hope of a permanent recovery. Mrs. Healy, who also underwent a minor operation, will return home on Monday.

Supt. E. C. Musser, assistant superintendent Currier and Harris Holmes head salesman of Bellefonte, and superintendent Francis Miller, of State College went to Pittsburgh, yesterday, to attend a meeting of officials of the West Penn Power company.

George J. McNichol, looking happy and well as a good man in a good job ought to be, was in town over Wednesday night, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McNichol. He came up from Harrisburg for the funeral of a cousin and returned yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. E. J. Burd has been a guest of her sister Mrs. Ebon Bower, since before Christmas, having closed her house in Millheim, expecting to be in Bellefonte for the winter. It has been Mrs. Burd's custom for several years, to spend the winter months with Mr. and Mrs. Bower.

Miss Charlotte Powell, who closed her home and left for Tulsa, Okla., this week, to spend the remainder of the winter with her niece, Mrs. H. W. Peabody, has made no definite plans for her return to Bellefonte, intending to visit in the southwest until the cold weather is over.

L. H. McMullen and Cummings McNitt were up from Hecla Park, on Wednesday, attending to a few business matters. Mr. McNitt has been visiting Lawrence for a few days preparatory to his return to St. Petersburg, Florida, where he has been in the dredging business since he gave up lumbering in Tennessee.

Mrs. M. L. Valentine is visiting with Col. and Mrs. J. L. Spangler, where she will spend the remainder of January, expecting then to go east, for a month in Philadelphia and Atlantic City. Upon her return to Bellefonte, Mrs. Valentine will make her home at the Lansdy Annex, after having lived at the Bush Home for fourteen years.

Mrs. John A. Woodcock has closed her house on Howard street and left yesterday to spend two months with relatives in the Cumberland Valley. Going directly to Shippensburg, Mrs. Woodcock anticipates being there with cousins for the greater part of the time, but from there, will visit at her former home in Chambersburg, at McConnellsburg, and at Haggersstown, Md.

Last Friday one of Ford's new passenger planes stopped at the aviation field and at the invitation of the official in charge Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Beatty and their son Ross took an airplane trip to New York. They were two and a half to New York. They were two and a half to New York. They were two and a half to New York. They were two and a half to New York.

Thomas Moore, Philadelphia, who with Mrs. Moore, was so seriously injured three months ago, in an automobile wreck near Lewistown, has been able to resume his business, as head of the repair work, in the watch department of the Wanamaker stores of Philadelphia. Mrs. Moore is able to be about the house, though not sufficiently recovered to assume its management—as yet.

Miss Bernice Crouse, for many years in charge of the pipe organ at the Scenic theatre and later at that of the State, from where she went to Williamsport to be guest organist at the Million dollar Comerford theatre has now located permanently in Huntingdon. Miss Crouse is organist at the Clifton theatre, owned and operated by J. Lian Blackford, one of Bellefonte's young men who have been successful in Pennsylvania's business world.

H. L. Camp, of Tyrone, Harry, as Bellefonters knew him when in business here some years ago, was in town Monday morning. He has made a connection with the Wilson Chemical Co., of Tyrone, and is now in charge of distribution of a new cough drop the firm is putting on the market. Harry is old in the sales business and almost had us believing that the new remedy would grow hair on our denuded dome. It is however, a very efficient cough drop and combines the best cold medications known, honey, menthol and eucalyptus.

Dr. C. J. Newcomb, who for some years past has been resident physician at Rockview penitentiary, and who has not been in good health for several months, left Rockview on Wednesday of last week for Pittsburgh to look after some business matters, going from there to New York where he took a boat on a trip down the Atlantic coast and through the Gulf of Mexico, bound for Arizona, where he will remain until he has recovered his health. During his absence Mrs. Newcomb and her two children will continue to occupy their home at Rockview.

Harry L. Mitchell, of Pittsburgh, has been elected president of the West Penn Power company, to succeed G. M. Gadsby, resigned.

Most of us will now admit that "it is cold enough for us."

High School Glee Club to Present "Going Up," January 29th.

On Tuesday, January 29th, the Glee Club of the local High school will give the spectacular production, "Going Up," a musical version of the famous play, "The Aviator," at the Richelieu theatre.

Full of fine, clean, sparkling wit and humor, it is bound to please. To date, this is without a doubt the most pretentious production the club has ever attempted. With four special and appropriate settings and the finest costumes available from New York's best studios, this show will outclass all previous offerings.

One act stages a fine aeroplane, realistic, and beautiful, poised for flight. This act alone is worth the price of the show. The charming ballet by the little tots is a very beautiful and delightful number. This ballet will please you. Be on time, as this ballet opens the show and you will regret it if you miss it.

Out of a cast of twenty five principals, but three of them have been heard previously. It will be a treat to witness and hear the fine new artists that have been discovered and developed. William Brachbill carries off the lead as the "Author Aviator" in fine style. Twelve members have been added to the eight remaining members of the original "Glow-Worm" chorus which so pleased the audience last year. This chorus is the acme of perfect rhythm, and is beautiful in its new and extremely difficult routine.

A chorus of sixty cadets is a very fine number, and those who have seen it as worked in the professional show "Rosalie," will recognize the work done by this fine group of High school students. The price will be 75 cents. Tickets will be on sale next week. The management guarantees this to be the best show ever staged by the school an assures you an evening of splendid entertainment.

Spring Mills Vocational School Wins in State Projects.

The results of the State vocational project contest have just been received. They show the Spring Mills boys to have gotten a full share of the prizes.

This contest is divided into groups, as follows: Corn, small grains, sheep, swine, dairy cattle, home improvement, poultry, etc. All boys taking any project are classified into some one group. For example, all corn projects are taken together and are against each other, and the 10 best ones selected as winners. This same procedure is followed with all groups.

The winners from Spring Mills vocational school in the Senior group are:

- 1. Gold medal, first Nevin Stover, small grains.
2. Silver medal, second, William Campbell, sheep.
3. Bronze medal, third, William Campbell, small grains.
4. Bronze medal, third, John A. Stover, corn.

The winners from Spring Mills in the Junior group, or those boys in grades below High school, are:

- 1. Silver medal, second, John Zabler, corn.
2. 5th ribbon, fifth, Lester Immel, swine.

Such a large number of wins speak favorably in Mr. John Decker's behalf. This was made possible only because of his untiring efforts and the fine spirit of cooperation between boys, parents, and teachers.

Annual Academy Football Dance.

The annual Academy football dance will be held in the big pavilion, at Hecla park, on Friday evening, February 8th. Music will be furnished by the Varsity Ten orchestra, of State College. All lovers of the dance in Bellefonte or Centre county are invited to attend this dance and enjoy it with the Academy students. Announcement of the date is made at this time so that other organizations or individuals may leave the date open for the Academy and not arrange any entertainment that might conflict with the dance. It might also be added that it will be a semi-formal affair.

The annual Academy football banquet will be held in the Academy dining hall on Thursday evening, February 21st.

Religious Census to be Taken On Sunday.

About one hundred and forty laymen of the various churches of Bellefonte will make a religious census canvass of the borough and vicinity on Sunday afternoon. This canvass has the sanction of the Ministerium, and has met with a great success in other localities. Your presence at home, and your kind reception of the canvassers, will be appreciated by the committee.

Bellefonte Grain Markets.

Corrected Weekly by C. Y. Wagner & Co.
Wheat \$1.35
Corn .90
Oats .50
Rye 1.10
Barley .90
Buckwheat .90