

Bellefonte, Pa., May 9, 1930.

**BELLEFONTE'S WATER
TESTED WITH CHLORINE.**
Report of Same Submitted to Council Monday Evening.

A stream of chlorine about as thick as an old-fashioned parlor match was injected into Bellefonte's water supply, last Friday, by two representatives of the State Sanitary Water Board, according to a report made to borough council on Monday evening, and members of the department are rather insistent that the water supply should be continuously chlorinated, notwithstanding the fact that they freely admitted, while in Bellefonte on Friday, that Bellefonte has the best and purest water supply in the State. The men took samples of the water along for analysis and stated that they would return on Wednesday of this week for further tests.

Only seven members were present at the meeting of council, the absentees being Beaver and Kline.

Secretary Kelly read a form letter from highway officials notifying council that if paved streets on highway routes are dug up for any purpose and not properly replaced the department may withdraw maintenance until the streets are properly repaired. The matter was referred to the Street committee.

The Street committee reported patching holes in various streets, giving W. C. Coxey the street grade at his home on Bishop street and grading down east Curtin street. The committee also reported that Mr. Witter intends going ahead with his home building, on east Curtin street, as soon as he is able to get around and will contribute \$100 toward the expense of extending the sewer and water to his proposed location. Council decided to go ahead with the extension.

The Water committee reported that unwards of a dozen meters have been installed on places in Bellefonte where the water is used commercially. Water taxes collected amounted to \$2100.00, and other collections \$34.70. The committee also reported that borough engineer H. B. Shattuck, who has been making a survey of the Phoenix mill tract, can only find 4.41 acres, whereas the deed to the borough calls for "8 acres, more or less." To more definitely establish all lines it will be necessary to go back sixty or more years on the records, and council decided that the job might as well be done now as later and authorized the engineer to go ahead.

It was at this juncture that Mr. Cobb, of the Water committee, made a report of the chlorine test of the water. President Walker stated that for more than a hundred years the Bellefonte water has had a reputation for its purity and council and every citizen of the town should protest any effort on the part of the State to doctor it with chlorine or any other solution.

The Finance committee presented the report of the borough treasurer showing a debit in the borough department of \$320.96 and a balance in the water department of \$3649.00. The committee also reported notes due to the amount of \$8,000. The borough treasurer reported that he had an offer of loans for \$5800 at five per cent and it was decided to take these loans, pay off \$3500 in notes drawing six per cent and renew notes for \$4500.

The Fire and Police committee reported receipt of \$10.00 from a truck driver for the work of the Undines in helping to extinguish a fire in his truck. One-third of the amount will be paid to the fire company.

Mr. Jodon, of the Town Improvement committee, reported that an inspection had been made of the house being erected by E. R. Owens on Lamb street, near Spring creek, and that it was found to conform with plans furnished and that a permit be granted. He also recommended that a permit be granted J. J. Shirk for the erection of a garage on south Spring street. The request of Mrs. Edward Spicher and Herman Spicher for a permit to build a house and garage, on east Logan street, was referred to the committee with power.

Mr. Ardery, of the Special committee, reported that the fire zone and building code ordinance had been published for the first time last week, and that 500 copies of the same in pamphlet form will be printed for use of the borough.

Mr. Ardery, of the Special committee, stated that the committee had gone most thoroughly into the matter of a new fire alarm system and had the matter at such a stage that he had intended to report it for final action at that meeting, but the committee had been informed that the fire alarm was under the jurisdiction of the Fire and Police committee, so he turned all the data over to them. Mr. Jodon was the only member of that committee present, and protested against accepting the responsibility. President Walker called attention to the fact that it will be necessary to advertise for bids before making a purchase and left the matter in the

hands of both the Special and Fire and Police committees.

The Street committee reported that the old street truck is worn out and recommended the purchase of a new Ford 3-ton truck, at a price of \$925, less an allowance of \$75 for the old truck. Members of council were of the opinion that the "allowance" should be larger, but council authorized the purchase "at the best price possible."

Mr. Cobb reported that C. Y. Wagner had made an inventory of the machinery in the Gamble mill and asked if it was the wish of the council to sell the same. President Walker stated that the committee might find out if there is any market for it and the probable value and

then council can decide on the sale.

Mr. Emerick stated that the Beatty Motor Company is anxious to rent the entire first and second floors of the Phoenix mill for storage purposes. Referred to the Water committee.

Five bids were submitted for furnishing sewer pipe and Y's for the Curtin street extension, which reduced to dollars and cents were as follows: C. F. Tate, \$194.50; Thomas Caldwell & Son, \$202.46; Lyons Witmer, \$180.00; Walter Eberhart, \$164.09; A. E. Schad, \$185.90. Eberhart being the lowest bidder, was awarded the contract. Borough bills totaling \$1545.66 and water bills \$1603.05 were approved for payment.

**FOURTH BANK BANDIT
CAUGHT AT SCHENLEY.**

Leo Kline, nineteen years old, the fourth member of the amateur bandit gang which last September staged a sensational robbery of the Beech Creek bank, was arrested at Schenley, near Pittsburgh, last week, and returned to Lock Haven to answer before the court for the part he played in the affair.

It will be recalled that at noon-time on September 19th, last, two men entered the Beech Creek bank, held up cashier J. A. Haugh and made their escape in a Packard car stolen an hour earlier from Milton Sykes. Dr. P. McDowell Tibbels shot at the bandits, near How-

ard, then he and Frank Williams, of Howard, headed them off on the Snow Shoe road, above Runville, where Williams took two shots at them with the result that the car was wrecked on the side of a concrete bridge and the three men were captured the same day and the stolen money recovered.

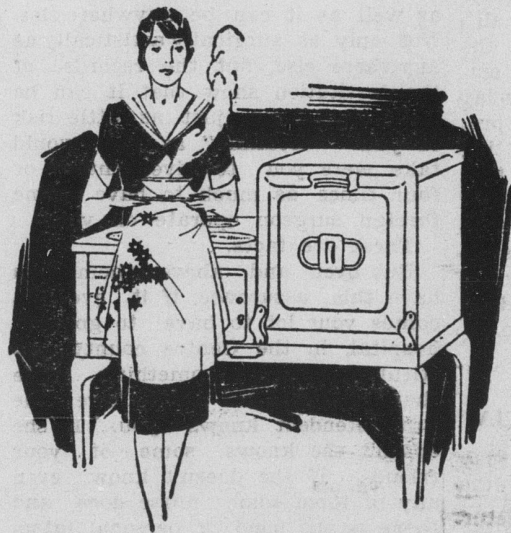
The bandits proved to be William Delaney, who died in the Centre County hospital the following night from injuries received in the wreck of the automobile; Raymond Shope and H. H. Kline, both of whom were given long terms in the penitentiary when sentenced in the Clinton county court.

Leo Kline, is a son of H. H. Kline, and while he took no active part in

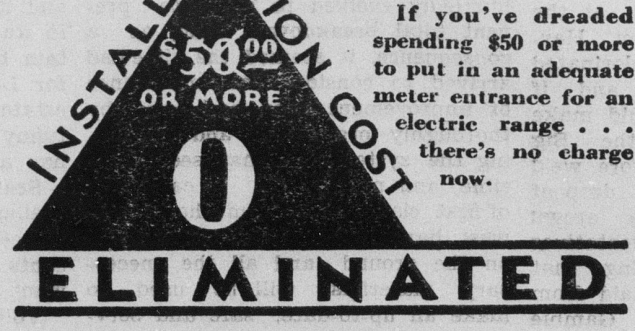
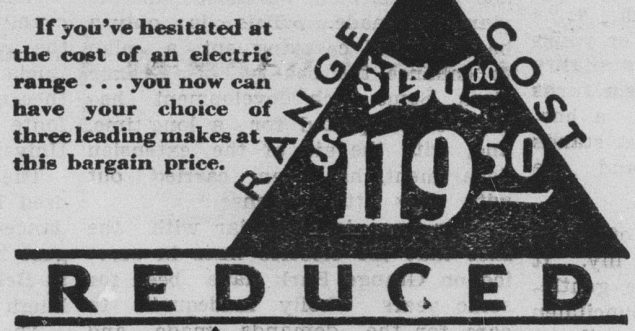
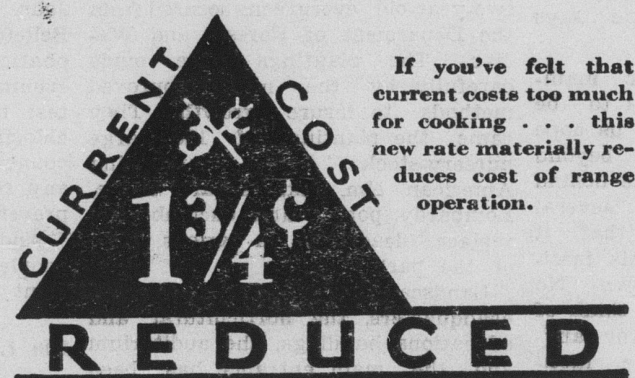
the robbery he was to have aided in the escape of the bandits. After the gang stole the Sykes car young Kline drove their own car out to the Rattlesnake, in the Allegheny mountains, where he was to wait the coming of the other men. When they failed to arrive at the appointed time young Kline made a getaway and so completely covered his trail that no absolute trace of him was discovered until he was arrested in Schenley last week.

The Beatty Motor company has taken a lease on a portion of the lumber yard, at the Claster and Son planing mill, and will use the ground as a storage and sales place for second hand automobiles.

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