



## Man Drowns As Car Plunges Into Dam.

GEORGE W. BOWES, FATHER OF MRS. WILBUR MEYER, OF TOWN, THE VICTIM.

The icy waters of the Morrisdale dam at noon Sunday claimed the life of George W. Bowes, 73, of Pine Glen, when the Ford roadster he was driving got out of control and plunged over the edge of the dam's breast through a thin crust of ice that had formed on the surface, and down into fifteen feet of water.

Mr. Bowes, who was on his way to Phillipsburg in company with his son, John, noticed that the engine of the car was missing and stopped at the filling station opposite the entrance to Morrisdale park to attempt repairs. The son secured a ride and continued on into Phillipsburg. The elderly man discovered the machine was in need of oil but decided to first turn around before making the purchase. He drove about thirty feet past the edge of the dam about opposite with the diving board and nosed the car into the left hand side of the road. He then began to back. The exact cause of the fallure of the car to stop will never be known but the logical explanation seems to be the refusal of the reverse pedal on the old model T to function

properly after it had been applied. There is no guard rail at this point. The car backed over a small ditch, down to the edge of the dam and upset end over end into approximately fifteen feet of water. The car was completely submerged beneath the surface of the lake. The attendant at the gas station, looking through a window, was the only eye witness to the tragedy.

Twenty-five men engaged in drawing the car from the water. With the first movement of the car the body of the aged man came to the surface. He had been in the icy water scarcely twenty minutes before rescue workers began work with a pulmotor. There was not a spark of life in the limp body.

George W. Bowes was born at Pine Glen and resided there all his life. His wife preceded him in death. He is survived by the following children: John, of DuBois; Mrs. Wilbur Meyer, Centre Hall, and Bernice and Henry, at home.

Funeral services were held at Pine Glen on Wednesday.

## FATAL HUNTING ACCIDENT IN BRUSHVALLEY NARROWS

Carson Heimbaugh, aged 19 years, of Hummels Wharf, Snyder county, died Saturday night in the Evangelical hospital, Lewisburg, following a hunting accident in the Brush Valley Narrows the same afternoon.

The young man, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Heimbaugh, of Hummels Wharf, had been hunting with another young man, Max Letzel, aged 18 years, also of Hummels Wharf. The two youths had been talking with each other and had only separated for a few minutes when a deer ran by the Letzel youth. He shot at the deer and the bullet entered the hip of the Heimbaugh young man. The bullet struck the hip bone which deflected its course so that it tore through the young man's body and fatally injured him.

Centre county officials began an investigation of the case.

## SAW MILL DEMONSTRATION AT PENNA. FURNACE, 22ND

Saw mill operators and interested timber owners in Centre county will gather at the farm of Alfred Albright at Penna. Furnace on Tuesday, December 22nd for an all-day saw mill demonstration meeting, according to County Agent R. C. Blaney.

This demonstration meeting has been arranged for the benefit of saw mill operators and timber owners by the Centre County Agricultural Extension service. The meeting will start at 9 A. M. and continue throughout the day.

Those attending are urged to bring a lunch with them and come prepared to spend a day in the woods. The demonstration and talks will be given by Prof. F. T. Murphy of the Forestry Extension Department at State College. Practically all the important phases of timber operations will be discussed during the day, such as principal trees and their uses; measuring and estimating standing timber; felling timber and log making; saw mill, gawing timber for quality lumber; how should a 14-inch oak log be manufactured; care of circular saws; filing cross cut saws; assorting and drying of lumber; and many other phases that may come up for discussion.

Mr. Albright has a small mill located in a 75-acre tract on which he has been following a small cutting operation. The extension service has cooperated by marking the acres, which have been cut over as a thinning proposition with the idea of making a continuous operation. There are many woodlots on farms in Centre county that it would be profitable to operate on a smaller basis. Anyone interested is cordially urged to attend and the meeting will be held regardless of the weather conditions.

It is being questioned in the minds of tax payers in Centre county why the full amount of rental (\$50.00 per month) for the district attorney's suite of rooms should be paid by the county when the official business of that public officer is only a small portion of the legal business transacted by him. It is argued that the county is obligated only to furnish quarters for the transaction of business pertaining to the office he holds.

## PINCHOT LOSES BACKING OF GRANGERS

Grange locals all over the State are adopting resolutions against the Pinchot unemployment program. Farmers have learned through bitter experience that they voted last year for a man who "was only blowing pretty bubbles." With prices of farm products down the farmers are asked to pay a higher tribute on marketing their products, through an increase in the gasoline tax. What does the great egg-laying expert, John McSparran, have to say about this? Well, Johnny

## A SANTA CLAUS! SURE, COURT IN WEST VA. AFFIRMS HIM

By HAMILTON FARON.

Those who doubt the reality of Santa Claus may ponder decision of the supreme court of appeals of West Virginia, the highest tribunal in the Mountaineer state.

Five judges harking back to their childhood days took judicial note of the doubting Thomases and held in a formal opinion, couched in legal phraseology, that despite new modes of locomotion, different industrial conditions and economic changes, Santa Claus remains the same, his eye undimmed and his spirit uncrushed.

"His desire to be bounteous endures through the ages, though his ability to reach every child may at times be affected by unfortunate economic conditions over which he has no control," the court held, in its opinion, which urged that "no child lose faith in the spirit of Santa Claus."

Judge Raymond Maxwell, who wrote the court's opinion, which was concurred in by the other four judges, referred to a previous affirmation of Santa Claus by the tribunal. That opinion, handed down several years ago, scored critics of Santa Claus and reformers "who would abolish Santa Claus altogether."

Judge Maxwell, in the opinion, pointed out that the decision was written on a petition for a rehearing, and rules limiting the period in which a rehearing may be sought were disregarded "because time runneth not against Santa Claus or little children."

"Counsel who have filed the petition (friends of children and of Santa Claus) do not attempt to have the decision modified or curtailed—they recognize its soundness," the opinion read.

"Their desire is that the decision may be enlarged to embrace more recent facts known to all men. The specific query is this: Have the stress and strain of recent months dimmed the eye or crushed the spirit of Santa Claus? We answer with an emphatic 'No!'"

## SCOTT IN LINE FOR AUDITOR GENERALSHIP

A Harrisburg special correspondent to the Philadelphia Public Ledger, in the Sunday edition of that paper, names Senator Frank Baldwin, of Potter county, and Senator H. B. Scott, of Phillipsburg as being in line for posts of State Treasurer and Auditor General, respectively, on the Republican side of the house. The paper carries a splendid portrait of each gentleman.

In the event that the State organization should take up Baldwin for Treasurer, Senator Scott may be named Auditor General. Senator Scott holds a high rank in the State councils of the Republican party.

## 29 RELIGIOUS FAITHS IN COLLEGE STUDENT BODY

Twenty-nine different religious faiths and denominations are represented in the student body at the Pennsylvania State College, according to information given on their matriculation cards. Four denominations number more than 500 adherents each among the 4320 undergraduate students, and four others have more than one hundred representatives attending the college.

Presbyterians lead in numbers, 923 students giving this denomination as their preference. The Methodists come second with 810, then the Lutherans with 559 and the Roman Catholics with 513. Creeds represented by more than 100 students are Reformed, 289; Protestant Episcopal, 241; Jewish, 213; and Baptists, 161.

Oysters for Christmas. Place your order for oysters now, in order to assure delivery before Christmas. Good quality. — Wilbur Bland, Centre Hall.

Just now is keeping his eye on the golden egg.

## STATE CHAIRMAN FOR DEMOCRATIC FUND ANNOUNCED

R. Sturgis Ingersoll, of Philadelphia, to Direct Pennsylvania Effort Toward \$1,500,000 Victory Fund for Party.

R. Sturgis Ingersoll, Philadelphia, will head the Pennsylvania committee which will cooperate with the "Victory Campaign" of the Democratic Party. This national preparedness drive for \$1,500,000 is now being organized under the leadership of John W. Davis, Democratic presidential nominee in 1924, to put the party in a strong financial position for the 1932 presidential election.

Mr. Ingersoll's selection as chairman of the Pennsylvania committee, which will be one of forty-eight similar state committees throughout the country, was announced by J. J. Shouse, executive chairman of the Democratic national committee, in a letter to Mr. Ingersoll. Mr. Ingersoll will have complete charge of the steps to be taken by his committee whose personnel also is to be decided by him.

Declaring that "there never has been greater national need or greater opportunity for Democratic victory," Mr. Shouse in his letter urged every Pennsylvanian asked by Mr. Ingersoll to serve on the Pennsylvania committee to "respond enthusiastically."

"The nation's need and the party's unparalleled opportunity for victory next year places a responsibility on every member of the party in Pennsylvania and in every other State to help assure victory," Mr. Shouse continued. "That victory must result in more than the placing in the White House of a Democratic president. It must give him the essential backing of strong Democratic majorities in both branches of congress, so that the constructive program our party will have to offer may be executed expeditiously and effectively."

"A virile party organization in a strong financial position, and ready to swing into immediate action as soon as the 1932 convention adjourns, is the goal of the Victory Campaign through the efforts of such groups as the Pennsylvania committee. I know that the party nationally can depend on you, and on those selected by you, to muster the full support of every Pennsylvania friend of the party behind this significant undertaking for the welfare of the Democracy and of the nation to whose service it has been dedicated from birth."

Among the members of the general committee in this section of the State are John R. Collins, Democratic State chairman; Sedgewick Kistler, of Lock Haven, Democratic National Committeeman; John Hemphill, a candidate for Governor at the last gubernatorial election; George R. Meek, Bellefonte; Roland S. Morris, Philadelphia; John P. Short, Clearfield.

## MRS. J. C. BROOKS INJURED IN FALL

In a fall at her home, west of Old Fort, Mrs. J. Cloyd Brooks sustained a broken arm, an injury to the elbow and tore a ligament in the left leg. She was carrying a pan of ashes into the yard, when she slipped and fell on a concrete walk. The left arm was broken above the wrist. Dr. Morrow gave professional aid, and on Tuesday she was taken to the Centre County hospital for a further examination with the use of the X-ray.

## WILL SING CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

The Junior Choir of the Reformed church takes this opportunity to invite all the junior choirs and young people of town who would like to go caroling on the evening of December 24th. Meet in church basement at 11:30 P. M. After the singing refreshments will be served.

## Potter Township School Board Re-organized.

The Potter township school board re-organized at a meeting held at Centre Hill the first Monday in December. The only changes in the personnel of the board was the substitution of E. W. Ripka for Thomas F. Delaney. An organization was effected by electing John W. Delaney, president and Mr. Ripka, vice president. George H. McCormick continues as treasurer until next July, and F. P. Flory's tenure of office as secretary holds until July, 1932. The other member of the board is M. A. Burkholder. No business other than the reorganization was transacted.

## Injured While Hunting.

Albert Young, 20 years of age, of Marsh Creek, is a patient in the Centre County hospital suffering from a gunshot wound received Thursday while hunting. He suffered an injury of the arm and face from the shot.

## MILK MAY REPLACE COD LIVER OIL

The time when milk may be used for cod liver oil is brought nearer to realization by research made public by the Pennsylvania State College today. This investigation shows that the digestive value of milk is not harmed by irradiation with ultra-violet light. Irradiation gives milk that cod liver effect which science has known for several years. The new question solved at Penn State was what else the irradiation may do and whether these other effects are bad. The research was conducted by A. K. Anderson, Ph. D., professor of physiological chemistry.

## EARLY MORNING FIRE IN McLENAHAN HOME

Thursday morning at 2:00 o'clock a few residents were routed from their beds by calls over the telephone which informed them that the I. C. McClenahan home was on fire. The flames, however, were quickly extinguished by the owner and his brother John. The fire when discovered was at a point where it was ready to spread and create real havoc. A brick broke away from the chimney in the cellar, igniting a joist. The floor was also on fire and had just got an opening to the first floor. The smoke was dense in the cellar and first floor, and had also reached the sleeping rooms, and it was this condition that aroused the brothers.

A house cat, whose sleeping quarters were in the cellar, was carried out for dead from asphyxiation, but later was revived.

## SLIGHT FIRE AT THE CRAWFORD HOME

The residence of Edward W. Crawford, near the P. R. R. station, was the scene of a slight fire on Friday evening at four o'clock. Upon investigation the smoke was found to be issuing from boxes of paper and other inflammable articles stored in a small room in the rear part of the house. The damage by the flames was light, the loss from smoke and water being more. The fire at no time became threatening, since the hose line was laid before the flames had made any headway.

## THE CHRISTMAS STORY IN LIVING PICTURES

Lantern slides in natural colors are a new feature in "The Christmas Story in Living Pictures," the pageant which will be presented in the Lutheran church, Tuesday evening, December 22. The work, which consists of a series of tableaux, tells the biblical story from the creation to the birth of Christ. There will be nearly fifty persons in the cast, colored lights will be used in the various scenes, oriental costumes will be worn by the actors, and special Christmas music will form a background for many of the tableaux. "The Christmas Story in Living Pictures" will be given one night only. Do not miss it. A silver offering to help defray expenses will be lifted.

## GLANCING BULLET HITS RAY BOOB; SCALP CUT

Ray Boob, of Aaronsburg, while out on a hunting trip, was hit by a glancing bullet and was cut over the scalp. The wound required several stitches in dressing by Dr. Harshbarger. His condition is considered very favorable, although it is thought he suffered a light concussion of the brain.

Mr. Boob's wife, formerly Miss Sara Sweeney, teaching school at Manor Hill, assisted in caring for him.

## IMPROVING INTERIOR OF TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

The Bell Telephone Company is improving the interior of the exchange here located in the Reporter building for a number of cars. The wall paper is being removed from the side walls and ceilings to receive a white coat of plaster and later will be painted. The wood work will also be repainted and the floor put in better condition. The work is being done by J. M. Colpron, the local painter and decorator, assisted by Mr. Baird, of State College.

In this connection it may be of interest to know that approximately three hundred telephones have direct connection with the Centre Hall exchange. This number includes the service over the several rural lines extending over the rural section surrounding Centre Hall.

The local exchange has long been noted for its excellent service on the part of the operators who at present are: Miss Bessie Coldron, Miss Verna Rowe, Miss Corbell Emerick, Mrs. Marion Neff, and Miss Margaret Jacobs, the latter a substitute.

To make possible this continuous good service to its patrons, the local equipment has been kept up to the standard of exchanges such as is found here.

## AUDITORS AND SUPERVISORS ORGANIZE FOR 1932

The boards of auditors and supervisors in Potter township met in the First National bank last week and formed their respective organizations for the new year. The auditors organized by electing H. F. Musser, president; J. F. Treaster, treasurer, and J. E. Bubb, secretary.

The board of supervisors formed its organization by electing Clyde E. Bradford, president; Foster W. Frazer, vice president, the third member being William Jordan. Frank A. Carson was named secretary-treasurer.

There was a bit of a mix-up in the personnel of the board through the resignation last summer of John Bohn, who had four of the six-year term yet to serve. C. E. Bradford was elected to serve in Bohn's place "until the next election." At the proper time he became a candidate to succeed himself but in the meantime the board was informed by its attorney that Mr. Bradford's election by the board could be only for "the unexpired term." This fact found Bradford a candidate on the ticket when he had a term of four years yet to serve. As a consequence he resigned and was then elected for a six-year term. Bradford's resignation created a vacancy, which was filled by the board at its last meeting when it elected Wm. Jordan, former supervisor.

## TEA-ROOM HARMONICA PLAYER

When, crouched upon a packing box, you play Your ballads in the tearoom where we work Familiar sights dissolve in silver murk, And I behold a lake where cattails sway. Against the lemon-tinted twilight skies A faun, afloat upon a lily-pad, Is piping olden tunes that make me sad— A faun who looks at me with your brown eyes

Across the lake a rustic love song trips Unto from reedy depths a water-sprite Whose dripping hands and breasts are lily-white Comes forth and bends to kiss my hungry lips..... A customer comes in; you cease to play, And like my hopes, the vision fades away.

—Harvey W. Flink

This sonnet is reprinted from the current issue of "Expression" (The Green Magazine), edited by James Gabelle, Anton Romatka, noted poet and critic, considers this the best poem written by Harvey W. Flink, of Centre Hall.

## MRS. MYRA WINEGARDNER IN AUTO WRECK

Mrs. Myra Winegardner is a surgical patient in the Clearfield hospital suffering from a number of cuts and bruises on her head and body, an injury to her arm, and probably to the spinal column, due to a car in which she was a passenger skidding and striking a telephone pole, on the outskirts of Clearfield. The accident happened Wednesday forenoon of last week, and while her condition is stated as being very favorable at this time, it will require a few days more before severity of the injuries will be fully revealed.

Mrs. Winegardner, who is a sister of F. V. Goodhart, of town, left here with Miss Helen Meyer, and her aged father, I. Y. Moyer, intending to go with them to their home in Cleveland, Ohio, to remain for several weeks. The weather conditions, and roads, it will be recalled, were very bad on the day the trip was being made, and as Miss Meyer was attempting to pass a large truck, the car skidded, striking a telephone pole. Mrs. Winegardner was alone on the rear seat, and was the only one to be injured of consequence.

## HALL ORGAN FOR NEW REFORMED CHURCH

Faith Reformed church of State College has awarded a contract to the Hal Organ Company of West Haven, Conn., to build a pipe organ for the new church which is at present under construction.

The organ will be a two-manual instrument and will have 616 pipes and no two pipes will be alike. The organ will contain an aboe and a vox humana. The latter is designed to imitate a choir of human voices. Preparations are also being made on the console for the addition of harp, chimes and trumpet, at some future date.

## Licenses Granted to Eight New Drivers

Eight new drivers received permits to operate motor vehicles following their passing of the State automobile drivers' test given by the Bellefonte detail of the State Highway patrol. There were no failures. The new drivers are R. Russell Murphy, State College; Lucy M. Long, State College; Arthur D. Barnes, State College; Earl I. Wilde, State College; Paul H. Bowers, State College; Vernell High, Milesburg; O. E. Buchenhorse, Neffs Mills; Mrs. Laura E. High, Milesburg.

## W. HARRISON WALKER TALKS TO ROTARIANS

"Instead of committing one of the unforgivable sins of this country of amassing dollars, we should be adding something to the life of the children and to the men and women of our community that they may be better citizens," W. Harrison Walker, of Bellefonte, told the Lewistown Rotary Club at the regular weekly luncheon-meeting in the Green Gables hotel, Lewistown.

Mr. Walker, a Kiwanian and a member of the International Committee of Kiwanis for Underprivileged Children, and a friend and companion of the children, spoke on the subject of "Unselfish Service." He was induced to speak to the club by Rotarian F. M. Headings, chairman of the Child Welfare Committee, in connection with the Crippled Children movement of that club.

In describing the need of more "unselfish service," Mr. Walker declared that any club had a right to exist through such a movement as the crippled children's work and it is one of the biggest of its kind in the world. He complimented the club for its work with the crippled and cited figures provided by Rotarian Headings which showed that in the few years that the work has been underway that 400 have been examined at a cost to the Rotary Club of \$1500 per year.

Mr. Walker touched briefly upon the depression as a condition of mind and added that business would go on as it did before if the people would forget the word "depression."

## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

An effort is being made to extend the lines of Lewisburg borough to include West Lewisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Schlegel, from Fleetwood, are spending a few days with Rev. and Mrs. D. R. Keener.

Miss Alice Foust, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foust, was a weekend guest of Miss Sarah Odenkirk, a school mate.

Christmas holidays for students at the Pennsylvania State College start Saturday at noon and continue to noon Monday, January 4.

Wilbur S. Runkle, for the second holiday season, was appointed non-certified substitute postal clerk on the L. & T. between Sunbury and Bellefonte.

Considerable rain fell on Friday. The rain together with the snow fall earlier in the week materially increased the flow of springs supplying the town with water.

A basic net pool price of \$1.71 per 100 pounds for 2.5 milk at the 201-210 mile zone will be returned to members of the Dairymen's League Cooperative Association, Inc., for November milk.

Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Goodhart, on Sunday, visited the former's auster, Mrs. Myra Winegardner, a patient in the Clearfield hospital injured in an automobile accident, an account of which appears elsewhere in this issue.

Showing 16 sheep and 20 swine at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, the Pennsylvania State College won 37 prizes, including one grand championship. A total of \$426.00 was won on these entries. In addition to a prize won by the shepherd.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Brooks, Wm. S. Brooks, and Jerro Smith formed a motor party who drove to Philadelphia on Saturday, returning with Guy Brooks' son, Lewis, who for the past three weeks had been a patient in the University Hospital.

Gervin Schaeffer has been taken on in the local post office as an extra man during the holiday rush. The holiday period will be followed by heavy mailing by the local poultry plants, which may result in continuing the extra man for a much longer period.

On Sunday evening, December 20th, at 7:30 o'clock, the Sunday church school of Trinity Reformed church of town, will present a White Gift Christmas Service entitled, "White Gifts for the King." Everybody cordially welcome.

Mrs. J. W. Kepler, of Pine Grove Mills is planning to accompany her daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Block, to the National capital on a sight-seeing trip, and later will go to Philadelphia for a brief visit with her son Jacob, and daughter Mary, before returning home.

Miss Isabel Goodhart, who makes her home with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Goodhart in Altoona, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. V. Goodhart here from Friday until Monday. Miss Goodhart is employed in the offices of the P. R. R. company in Altoona.

The Potter township school board is more or less riled over some deprecations committed at the Pine Stump school house, and they are making an effort to discover with the intention of punishing the offender. The mischief done was the firing of three gunshots through the windows of the school house, and that is enough to raise the ire of the board members.

Rev. Dr. N. Thomas Brown, pastor of the East Kishacoquillas Church at Reedsville for nearly 12 years, who recently tendered his resignation as pastor, on Sunday declared the pulpit vacant as of December 1. Rev. Dr. Brown is retiring from the active ministry and recently built a home in Bellefonte to which he and Mrs. Brown and son moved a month ago.

Mrs. C. L. Gramley, in Rebersburg, is seriously ill and is confined to bed. Mr. Gramley, while not bedfast, is unable to move about even in the house. He is suffering from diabetes. Mr. and Mrs. Gramley are both in their eightieth year, and have lived all of their married life, more than fifty years, in the home they now occupy.

The Millheim school board recently re-organized by electing R. S. Stover, president; M. O. Stover, vice-president; P. H. Musser, treasurer. The other members of the board are S. M. Breen and L. V. Meyer. S. Ward Gramley continues to serve as secretary. The board feels it has secured an efficient instructor in its selection of Miss Emeline Brumgart, of town, reference to which is made in another local in this issue.

Monday night a wire from the lighting system of the West Penn came in contact with a metal rod on one of the Bartholomew buildings and electrified a long strip of wire netting attached to the building at the ground. The contact from the roof was through a wire and a rain conductor. The current was sufficient to show innumerable sparks on the wire netting as its swaying caused intermittent contacts with the rain conductor. The West Penn company was notified and men were sent here to adjust the lines.