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## WALKER FOR JUDGE BY 44

### JOHNSTON DEFEATED BY GETTIG FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY BY 833.

Ivan Walker, Democratic candidate for Judge of Centre County, defeated M. Ward Fleming, incumbent Republican, at Tuesday's general election in Centre county by the scant margin of 44 votes, according to unofficial figures.



New Judge of Centre County

At midnight Tuesday Fleming had a lead of from 500 to 600 with about half the districts accounted for. These included Philipsburg and Bellefonte, where Fleming majorities were in evidence. State College borough returns added to the Fleming trend but in the early hours of the morning, the Penns Valley precincts were being heard from and as a result the Fleming majorities were whittled down until at 5:00 a. m. with all districts reported the tide had changed in favor of the Democratic nominee, showing a majority of 44 votes.

The totals for the county are:  
WALKER, D ..... 8799  
FLEMING, R ..... 8755

Walker's majority.... 44

The more populous centers in the county gave Fleming majorities, as follows:

Bellefonte — North ward, Walker, 465; Fleming, 621. South ward, Walker, 421; Fleming, 452. West ward—Walker, 188; Fleming, 153. Total—Walker, 1074; Fleming, 1226.  
Philipsburg Boro—First ward, Walker, 147; Fleming, 295. 2nd ward—Walker, 248; Fleming, 423. 3rd ward—Walker, 267; Fleming, 340. Total—Walker, 662; Fleming, 1048.  
State College Boro—East precinct Walker, 325; Fleming, 654. West precinct, Walker, 379; Fleming, 493. Total—Walker, 704; Fleming, 1147.

For the office of District Attorney, Philip H. Johnston, Democrat, was defeated for re-election by Musser, Gettig, Republican, by 833 votes. The county totals:

GETTIG, R ..... 8972  
JOHNSTON, D ..... 8139

Gettig's majority.... 833

P. B. Meek, Democrat, was elected tax collector over Fred Bender, Republican, in State College borough by a majority of about 200 votes.

Two State policemen stationed themselves on the diamond in Centre Hall on Monday evening and stopped many motor cars. The cars were given the once over for illegal game, in any sense, and for guns not in proper form for transporting in vehicles.

### SASSERMAN-STOVER

Frank P. Sasserman, of Bellefonte and Miss Alice Stover, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brado Stover, of Woodward, were united in marriage in the Lutheran parsonage. The pastor, Rev. O. E. Feeman, used the ring ceremony. The bride and the groom were accompanied by the groom's mother and sister.

### THOMAS-DUCK

LaRue Thomas, of Colyer, and Miss Irene R. Duck, of Pleasant Gap, were united in marriage Wednesday evening of last week, at 8 o'clock, by Justice of the Peace James W. Swabb, of Centre Hall, R. D.

### ROAST CHICKEN SUPPER

The Ladies Aid of the Sprucecreek M. E. church will serve a roast chicken supper in the basement of the church, on Saturday, November 6th. Price, 40c and 25c. The patronage of the public will be appreciated. Ice cream will be on sale.

### CENTRE HALL BOROUGH ELECTS ALL DEMOCRATS BUT ONE

All Democratic candidates in Centre Hall borough were elected except T. L. Moore, for auditor, who was defeated by his Republican rival, George Sweeney, 166 to 159.

The office of school director was close. Two directors elected were F. V. Goodhart, serving at present, 166 votes, and Fred Luse, 176 votes. W. W. Kerlin, Republican, present member, was defeated by only 6 votes.

The registered vote in the borough is 374. Of this number 247 are Democrats and 127 Republicans. There were 23 Democrats who did not vote. Of this number 15 were ill or away from home, leaving but thirteen unfaithful. The vote in the borough:

#### COUNTY OFFICES

Judge of the Courts—  
Ivan Walker, D ..... 213  
M. Ward Fleming, R ..... 118

District Attorney—  
Philip Johnston, D ..... 210  
Musser Gettig, R ..... 120

Jury Commissioner—  
John Condo, D ..... 213  
Merrill, Fletcher, R ..... 115

#### BOROUGH OFFICES

Judge of Election—  
W. B. Hanna, D ..... 295  
Paul Zellers, R ..... 124

Inspector of Election—  
Fernie Homan, D ..... 201  
Martha Boal, D ..... 123

School Director—  
Fred Luse, D ..... (elected) 176  
F. V. Goodhart, D ..... (elected) 166  
W. W. Kerlin, R ..... 160  
Dr. C. H. Light, R ..... 115

Councilman—  
W. A. Alexander, D ..... (elected) 197  
George H. Stover, D ..... (elected) 193  
W. P. Keller, D ..... (elected) 195  
Richard Brooks, R ..... 123  
Stanley Brooks, R ..... 141  
Sidney Riegel, R ..... 107

Burgess—  
Ernest Frank, D ..... 194  
George Vogt, R ..... 134

Auditor—  
T. L. Moore, D ..... 159  
George Sweeney, R ..... 166

Tax Collector—  
C. D. Bartholomew, D ..... 221  
Curtis Reiber, R ..... 107

Justice of the Peace—  
Chas. W. Slack, D ..... 183  
G. O. Benner, R ..... 131

Constable—  
Elaine Leister, D ..... 210  
Joseph Hartley, R ..... 110

Centre Hall voters decided against all amendments except the fourth, which concerned the county and city governments of Philadelphia, and which was of no concern locally.

There is no use blaming Wilkinson for the defeat of Judge Fleming. The judge created the office, consequently is wholly responsible for Wilkinson's performance.

And now it is Judge-elect Ivan Walker. Sounds mighty nice.

### COAXED TWO CHICKENS INTO CABIN, BUT THE BILL CAME TO \$1639!

A chicken dinner under the present high-cost-of-living conditions is no bargain, as the average housewife will admit. However, if it were to cost \$16.39 then seldom indeed would the tasty fowl find its way to the board.

The above stated amount is what three parties paid for two chickens when pleading guilty to a charge of luring the fowls into one of the Billger cabins they were occupying on Nittany mountain, above Centre Hall. The parties are Ralph Keller, Pleasant Gap, Robert Shutt and Mayme Grubbs, of near Bellefonte. When brought before Justice C. W. Slack at Centre Hall last Thursday, they pleaded guilty and agreed to settle with Mr. Billger by paying \$10.00 for the chickens and \$6.39 in costs.

### SPORTSMEN, ATTENTION

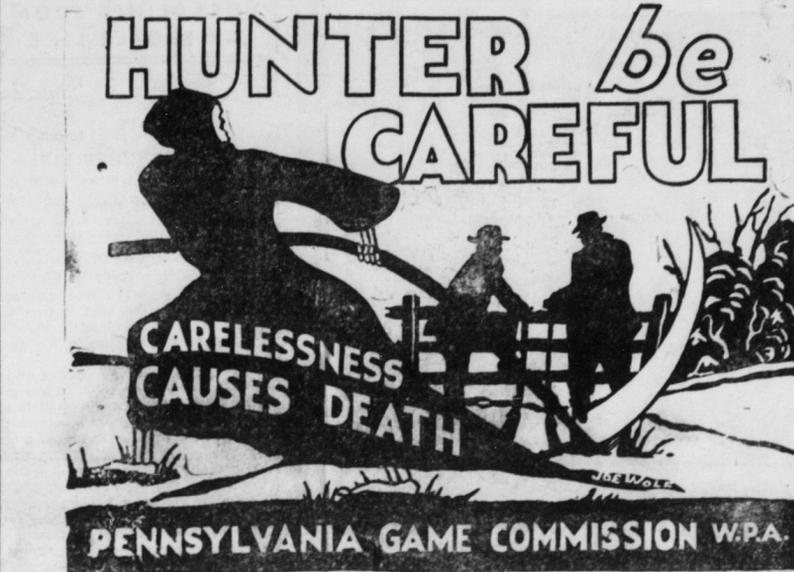
A meeting of the sportsmen of Centre county will be held in the Court House, Friday evening, November 5, at 7:30 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to get the sentiment of the hunters so that ways and means may be considered in cooperating with neighboring counties in seeking to have the Penna. Game Commission modify or annul the proposed antlerless deer season.

### 10,000 ADDITIONAL HUNTING LICENSES NOW AVAILABLE

Prospective purchasers of hunting licenses for the season which officially opened November 1st will be interested to know that the Department of Revenue now has available 10,000 additional licenses.

According to Secretary of Revenue J. Griffith Boardman, these licenses will be shipped by the manufacturer so that they will be available for sale at various county agencies this week. Originally, it had not been intended to have them ready for shipment until November 19th. Secretary Boardman, however, moved the shipment date ahead to avoid delay due to the probability of a last-minute rush.

Among agencies in this county where licenses may be found are: Robert S. Stover, Millheim; William M. Schenck, Howard; Samuel H. Poorman, George A. Miller, Leonard A. Breen, Bellefonte; Wm. T. Hoover, Port Matilda; Grace Keefe, State College, besides agencies in Philipsburg and Clarence.



### HUNT SAFELY!

1. Never carry a loaded gun in the car with you—it's against the law.  
2. Before entering a hunting lodge or residence of any kind, point your firearm in a "neutral" direction and unload it completely. Work the bolt lever or pump a few extra times to insure its being empty. Place the gun in the gunrack and leave the action open.  
3. Do not take any gun from the rack, other than your own, without getting permission from the owner. When you take your gun from the rack, first ascertain if the action is open. If it is not, open it immediately.  
4. When leaving the camp or car to hunt, point your gun in a "neutral" direction to load the magazine. Do not load the chamber till the gang has thinned out and you are left on your own "stand."

5. After you load the chamber, see that the "safety" slide or lug, is in the "SAFE" position. Hunt with it that way. It is less apt to be discharged accidentally, but don't trust it even then.  
6. Do not stand at any time, with the "butt" on the ground and the muzzle grasped with both hands.  
7. Be sure you are shooting at game and not another hunter.  
8. If you gather in a group to eat your lunch, open the action and lay the gun down carefully. When you pick it up again be careful you don't get any snow or dirt in the muzzle.  
9. Never walk single file with the chamber loaded. Do not trust the safety. Unload the chamber and leave the action open.  
10. If you hand your gun to a partner across a fence or stream, open the action first.  
11. If climbing over a fence, cross-

ing a stream or obstacles of any kind, open the action first. If you must lay the gun down, place it so the muzzle will point away from you at all times. When you pick it up again, grasp it by the "hind leg."  
12. Never stand a gun against a tree, log or fence. Lay it down carefully, with the muzzle pointed away.  
13. Never exchange guns with a partner for a hunt. You can't possibly be as familiar with his gun as you are with your own.  
14. If for any reason at all, you use a different gun than usual, familiarize yourself with its action thoroughly before taking it afield.  
15. In case of a jam, do not try to force the action. You may damage the gun or explode a cartridge. Remove the cartridge that is causing the trouble, carefully, with the muzzle pointed in a "neutral" direction.  
16. WEAR PLENTY OF RED.

### LARGEST SOIL CONSERVATION NURSERY IN N. E. U. S. TO BE SET UP IN HOWARD TWP

Miles of overhead irrigation and shade frames will soon begin to appear on a 60-acre plot along route 64 in Howard township, Centre county, where the largest soil conservation nursery in the northeastern United States is being established.

Dr. John P. Jones, Regional Conservator for the Soil Conservation Service in the twelve northeastern states, said today that work at the nursery site will begin this week and continue until frozen ground ends the program for the winter. It is anticipated that the Howard Nursery will produce 15,000,000 seedlings for reforestation and wildlife improvement work on farms in the 26 erosion-control demonstration areas of the Service in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and West Virginia.

Seedlings of ten or more varieties of pine, about twenty species of hardwoods and many kinds of shrubs will all be grown for use of farmers who are retiring steep eroding lands to forest and improving woodlands under cooperative agreement with the government to establish farm-by-farm demonstrations of erosion control.

Doctor Jones said that more than 2500 farmers in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and West Va. are putting complete farm soil conservation plans into effect in the twenty-seven demonstration areas in these states. In addition, a new demonstration project is now getting under way in Delaware.

On these 2800 farms, an average of eight acres of reforestation of steep eroding slopes is being done per farm. Trees for this purpose will be furnished from the new nursery next year. In addition, several acres of existing farm woodlands, are being improved on most cooperating farms. This woodland improvement includes planting of trees and shrubs which provide food and shelter for wildlife in addition to performing their main job of holding the topsoil in place. Plantings of this type will also be grown in the Howard Nursery.

### D. C. BOHN BUYS HOME

IN CENTRE HALL BOROUGH  
Daniel C. Bohn, tenant on the Brookerhoff farm, near Old Fort, purchased one of Miss Sara McClennahan's residence properties in Centre Hall, but will farm for another year before moving his family here.  
The property was erected during the Civil War period, by the late Alexander Kuhn and by him sold to Jacob From. The place at the death of Mr. From was acquired by his son, Jacob C. From, and later by his son, James E. From, who sold it to Miss McClennahan.

Entertained Distinguished Guests.  
Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Bittner of the Naval Hospital of Philadelphia, and Dr. Bittner's mother, Mrs. Newton Bittner, of Watonsontown, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Neff and family, of near Tusseyville, on Friday. Dr. and Mrs. Bittner have spent many years in China, the Hawaiian Islands and the Virgin Islands. Dr. Bittner is a cousin of Mrs. Neff. County Commissioner Bowersox was also a caller at the Neff home Friday.

### LUTHERAN CONFERENCE HERE WAS WELL ATTENDED

Tuesday of last week the Northern Conference of the Susquehanna Synod of the United Lutheran church in America was held in St. Luke's church at Centre Hall. Good size audience attended all sessions.

At the morning session the Sacrament of the Holy Communion was administered by Rev. E. L. G. Bottiger, and Rev. J. I. Cole addressed the conference. The afternoon speakers were Rev. S. White Rhynne, Rev. J. F. Harkins, D. D., and Rev. I. E. Heckman.  
Business of the conference was given a place on the afternoon program and the following officers were elected: President, Rev. E. L. G. Bottiger; secretary, Rev. L. J. Kaufman; treasurer, Rev. J. F. Harkins. Rev. J. J. Weaver, retiring president, served in his official capacity.

At six o'clock, a banquet was served to one hundred seventy-five persons. This feature was under the auspices of the Brotherhood.

The evening session proved very interesting, with such speakers as Rev. G. R. Helm, of Loyalsville; Rev. A. M. Hall, of Williamsport, and M. P. Moller, Jr., of Hazerstown, Md. Two hundred twenty-one persons attended and enjoyed the services.

H. S. Stettler, of Lewisburg, president of the Brotherhood of Susquehanna synod, made an effective plea for the Iron Mountain School for Boys, in Virginia. The school, supported by the Synod, aims to educate boys with no other school facilities in the section in which they live. The pupils come from several states, Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. The offering for the school was \$53.50, somewhat above the sum allotted to the conference.

### R. F. NEIL BUYS THE RISHEL-SWARTZ FARM

Through one of the U. S. Government agencies, R. F. Neil, tenant on the Dr. A. G. Lieb farm, purchased the Rishel farm, later owned by the Swartz heirs, in Pottery township. The farm is located near Tusseyville and is reached by a private road leading off the concrete road at the Forney farm. The tract contains 140 acres one hundred of which are tillable. The improvements comprise a brick house bank barn, etc. Calvin Lingie is the present tenant on the place purchased by Mr. Neil.

### FARMER EARL FRAZIER BUYS LUCAS HOME

The Lucas home along Penns Creek east of Centre Hill, formerly the property of Mrs. Florence V. Lucas, widow of William Lucas, Sr., was sold on Saturday at Orphans' Court sale by Wilbur S. and Wm. M. Lucas, administrators, to Earl Frazier, tenant on the Frazier farm nearby, for \$900. The tract contains forty-four acres, on which is erected a dwelling house. The barn was destroyed by fire only recently. The land lies near the Frazier farm and can be conveniently tilled from that point.

A tract of timberland containing thirty-six acres was purchased for \$50.00 by W. A. Reiber, of Johnstown, who was also a bidder for the small farm.

### LOCAL YOUNG PEOPLE CONCERNED ABOUT WORLD PEACE

Young people, are you truly concerned about peace? Peace, today, is of tremendous importance to you, as well as to the youth of the whole world, for the peace and well being of the world is being seriously threatened.

As the youth of today will be the most vitally affected by tomorrow's war it is essential that young people do all in their power to maintain peace. But can they do this? Can youth rid the world of the horror and the disastrous results of war? Does youth have enough courage to refuse to fight their fellowman, whether he be black, white, or yellow?

A committee of young people of Trinity Reformed church, Centre Hall has considered this problem for some time. They ask all persons, especially young people, who should be concerned, to attend a service to be held at 7:30 o'clock in the evening of November 7, in the Reformed church. Come and learn what part you can play in keeping the world at peace.

### GENTZEL-RUPP

On Wednesday evening of last week Grossa R. Gentzel, of Centre Hall, R. D., and Miss Marian Rupp, of Lewisport, were united in marriage by the Rev. Delas R. Keener at the Reformed parsonage. Mr. Gentzel is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Manna Gentzel of Spring Mills and Miss Rupp is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rupp of Aaronsburg. Best wishes are being tendered them by their friends.

### 5-NUMBER LYCEUM COURSE FOR BENEFIT OF LOCAL "HIGH"

The Reporter announced last week the winter Lyceum Course for the benefit of the Centre Hall-Potter high school. Only one number on the course was given, namely, that billed for Wednesday, November 10—"The Community Players," a company of professional dramatic artists who will present a rollicking up-to-the-minute comedy drama, titled "The White Family Depression."

Other numbers on the course follow:  
Tuesday, January 25—a lecture on "Our National Parks," by the Whistling Ranger Max K. Gilstrap. Be sure to hear Mr. Gilstrap's imitations of the birds and his unique whistling lessons for the audience.

Monday, February 7—"The Wonders of Modern Science," by Harry C. White. He will present his popular science entertainment with a stageful of fascinating equipment.

Monday, March 14—The James Scott Company will entertain. James Scott is a noted vocalist, entertainer and NBC artist; Miss Edna Lundberg is a noted pianist, narrator and monologist. They are entertainers in the modern mood, distinctive, versatile and sophisticated.

Friday, April 1—The Hanley Marlonette will feature the best in marionette entertainment for grown-ups and children; an entertainment for those whose hearts are eternally young.

Season tickets are \$1.00 for adults and 75c for children.  
Single admission are 35c for adults and 25c for children.

### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

A fall clean-up of the garden is more than an "ounce of prevention" in the control of vegetable diseases.

Mrs. Ray D. Gilliland, of Harrisburg was entertained at the Jacobs home beginning of the week.

Mrs. Maurice Whitehill and son William, of State College, took dinner last Thursday with the former's sister, Mrs. Edw. E. Bailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Breen and twin boy babies are now living in one of the Jennie Foreman apartments since the latter part of last week.

Samuel Mulberger, of Spring township, purchased the G. Murray Andrews farm located in Spring township, for \$5,200. The farm contains 135 acres.

In spite of a borough ordinance prohibiting the burning of leaves on the main street, a number of residents continue to do so. A fine is attached to the offense.

A gun "not loaded" exploded while in the hands of Adam Acman, of Axemann, the ball striking the hand between the third and fourth fingers. Dr. Barlett dressed the wound.

The regular meeting of the Centre County Post Grange Association will be held Friday, November 5, at the Hebersburg lodge No. 1931. Officers for the new year will be nominated.

Eight pictures taken in Centre county appeared in Sunday's Washington Post. One of the scenes overlooks Penns Valley from top of Nittany mountain. Another scene is from Penn View near Coburn.

Alfred Reish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Reish, is attending an industrial school in Williamsport and studying along the line of mechanical drawing. The school is largely sponsored by the Lycoming Motors company.

Paul Bradford was transferred from CCC Camp 65, at Colyer, when that camp was disbanded, to a camp near Carlisle. He holds the same standing—junior foreman—as he did in the Centre county camp.

Paul N. Knorr and companion, Harold Kerschner, with Frank Welke as chauffeur, all of Reading, made their semi-annual visit to the former's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Huyett, during last week. Mrs. Knorr is living retired.

The faculty members and students of Centre Hall-Potter high school wish to thank all persons whose contributions helped to make the recent Orange and Black drive a success. The receipts of the campaign amounted to forty-eight dollars.

At a sale of real estate of the late Andrew Vonada, of Penn township, two tracts of timberland were sold—one, known as the Bowersox tract, to the Meyer Lumber company for \$225, and the other known as the Ulrich tract, to D. A. Kessler, of Shamokin, for \$800.

Construction work on the new barn on Rhoneymede farm will begin this week provided present plans work out. Mr. Richards, a well-known contractor and builder of Port Matilda, will be in charge of the work. The present owner of the farm is Rev. E. Roy Corman, of Wilkingsburg.

Mrs. Lizzie Small has recovered from an illness starting January 2nd of this year sufficiently to be able to walk about in the house. She is living at the C. E. Bradford home and was nursed during the long siege of sickness by Mrs. Bradford. She was a former resident of Altoona.

A masonry and firebrick furnace for burning sawdust is being installed at the new sawmill of the Meyer Lumber Company, along Pine Creek in Penn township. An entire new mill is also being installed, and the idea of the sawdust burning furnace is to maintain steam pressure at small labor cost.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Bittner, of Milroy, made a business trip to Centre Hall on Monday. Mr. Bittner reports that he has taken his cousin, who carries the same name, John H. Bittner, of Pottery Mills, into his home and is caring for him following treatment in the Lewisport hospital.

A portion of State Highway route No. 45, between Millburg and Lewisburg, covering a distance of 37 miles, will be rebuilt of new macadam paving together with the rebuilding of four bridges at a cost of \$105,312.18. The road will be considerably wider than the old one. Work will begin at once.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brooks arrived home on Sunday afternoon from a pleasure motor trip taking them over a route of more than eleven hundred miles. The most distant point of the south reached was Lynchburg, Va. The return was made by way of Washington, Philadelphia, New York City and Easton. The only road retraced was that between Centre Hall and Lewisport.

The McAllister Scholarship was awarded to Clayton Musser, a 1937 graduate of Miles Township High school and now a freshman at Penn State, by a unanimous vote at a meeting of the Centre County principals and supervisors, under the leadership of P. G. Rogers, at the teachers' institute. The young man is a nephew of Cleveland Brungart of Centre Hall.