

PRIZES SELECTED FOR CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CONTEST

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MINISTER ANNOUNCES ENGAGEMENT OF DAUGHTER

At the Lutheran parsonage, Rebersburg, Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Weaver announced the engagement of their daughter, Frances, to the Rev. Charles C. Frazer, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Essler, Bellwood, Miss Weaver is employed in the Penna. Dept. of Highways office Bellefonte, Rev. Frazer is a senior at the Gettysburg Lutheran Theological Seminary and will be graduated in the spring...

PENNA. STATE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION STEPS UP

More than \$1,200,000 in compensation was awarded last month in 5,932 industrial accident cases increases of 35 per cent and 41 per cent respectively over September. Eighty-five accidents resulted fatally.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM GREGG TWP. VOC. SCHOOL

Junior Class Play, Dec. 10—The Junior class of Gregg Twp. Vocational school at Spring Mills will present their class play "Happy Landings" in the school auditorium at Spring Mills on Friday December 10, at 8 p. m. The play is a three-act comedy which has been successfully produced in many sections of the country...

Combined Christmas Program

The four Spring Mills grade schools are planning to give a combined Christmas program in the school auditorium on Thursday afternoon December 23. The lower two rooms taught by Miss Orle Wagner and Miss Luella Reurck will combine in producing an operetta suitable to the Christmas season...

Sale of Christmas Seals Increasing

The people of Gregg township are responding very well in the purchase of Christmas seals, which were put in the mail a week or more ago. Bear in mind that 80% of the funds are returned to the local district. The funds are then used for health purposes in the schools. Sales in the past have been made through school children, but this year they have been put in the mail at the suggestion of the district committee...

Start Basketball Practice

The boys' and girls' basketball squads started practice in earnest on Monday for the coming campaign of twenty games in the Centre-Clinton Basketball League of which they are members. The first game is on Friday, Dec. 17, with teams from Snow Shoe high school at Spring Mills.

Hats Are Reduced.

Just in time for a nice Christmas gift—all hats are reduced at Mrs. Lenore V. Burd's Hat Shop, Millheim.

H. J. POLETE LOSES LIFE IN THREE-CAR ACCIDENT

In a three-car accident on Route 322, at the O'Bryan service station near the Neidigh stone quarry, close to State College, Harold J. Polete, of Brookline, N. Y., was one of five injured to die in the Centre County hospital on Sunday morning.

Mr. McMullin received severe lacerations about the face and injury to the left leg; Mrs. McMullin, a patient in the Centre County hospital, cuts on the chin, injury to the left leg, abrasions and shock. Their son, Harold 11, was injured in both ankles.

Occupants of the Bartley car, beside the operator, were Mrs. Bartley and three children. A daughter suffered from shock, the others were uninjured.

Mr. Polete, a restaurant manager was aged 41 years, and was returning from a hunting expedition in the vicinity of Punxsutawney. The body was shipped to Worthville, near Punxsutawney, for burial.

C. H. POTTER ALUMNI DINNER DANCE, DEC. 29

The alumni of the Centre Hall-Potter high school will hold their annual banquet Wednesday evening, December 29, in the form of a dinner dance opening at 6:30 o'clock. Members of the alumni association are permitted to invite guests.

Y. W. M. SOCIETY HEARS NORTHERN CONFERENCE PRES

The Young Women's Missionary Society of the local Lutheran church was host to the Women's Missionary Society, also representatives from societies in Lutheran churches at Bellefonte, Pleasant Gap, State College and Boalsburg, and at the same time heard Mrs. M. W. Liese, president of the societies in Northern Conference make a report of the work of the missionary convention held in Buffalo, N. Y.

INDEPENDENTS WIN OVER HOWARD, MONDAY NIGHT

The Centre Hall Independent soccer team won the first game of the series played Monday night on the high school floor with the Howard team. The locals lagged somewhat at the outset of the contest, but soon warmed up and kept the lead throughout the four quarters.

STUDENTS WOULD FIGHT ONLY IN DEFENSIVE WAR

A student audience at the Pennsylvania State College voted eight to two that an American college student should be willing to go to war only after a national referendum on the subject.

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BOROUGH AND TOWNSHIP SCHOOL BOARDS REORGANIZE

Monday night was the legal time for re-organization of school boards in four-class districts. Centre Hall borough and Potter township school boards met at that time in the local high school building to attend to that bit of business.

On the Centre Hall board, new members, F. V. Goodhart (re-elected) and Fred Luse took the oath of office. W. W. Kerlin was the retiring member after serving one term in a most capable and efficient manner. The Reporter takes this opportunity to attest to the worth of Mr. Kerlin as a member of the school board, and urges the local electorate not to stand in the way of the best interests of the school district in electing public officials when men of Mr. Kerlin's calibre are available.

The local board reorganized by electing Dr. H. R. White, president, and Fred Luse, vice-president for the ensuing year.

On the Potter township board, John H. Burkholder is the new member succeeding B. W. Ripka after many years' service. Reorganization of the board resulted in Arthur Staebrock being named president and John H. Burkholder, vice-president.

ROAD SURVEY AT CENTRE HILL CHANGED TO HIGH GROUND

State Highway engineers re-surveyed a portion of Route 53, at Centre Hill, and relocated it on high ground. At the front of the Bruce W. Ripka farm buildings, going north, the latest survey crosses the road in a westward direction along the hill and at the Albert Allen property runs to the rear of it, continuing in the ravine west of the J. C. Lee improvements and intersects with the present roadway at the Lloyd R. Smith farm residence.

The new survey eliminates much of the low ground covered in the survey between the bridge at the Holderman (formerly Stiver) place and the Forest Bible home at Centre Hill and also avoids interfering with the water supply for the Ripka farm and the community well at the Bible home and at the same time does not add curves or grades of consequence.

This change in the survey may be taken to indicate the road will be constructed during next year.

\$6,000 IN FARM BUILDINGS BURNED NEAR LOGANTON

Fire destroyed one of the largest barns in Clinton county Thursday afternoon about 2 o'clock at the Harry Wenzel farm, two miles east of Loganton. With it were destroyed all other buildings on the farm except the house, as well as a valuable bull and other livestock, farm implements and crops. The loss was estimated at \$6,000, partly covered by insurance.

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BANDITS GET \$6500 FROM MILROY BANK—TIE OFFICIALS

Four armed bandits, wearing colored glasses, between the hours of noon and one o'clock on Friday robbed the Milroy Banking Company, tying up the bank officers and two customers before escaping with \$6500 in cash.

Two bandits entered the bank and trussed up the bank president, Taylor Reed, and Assistant Cashier Harold Ehrenfeld.

When two customers entered during the robbery, a third bandit followed them into the building and aided in tying them up. The customers were Robert Stringfellow and Wilson P. Clivits.

To get the money the bandits untied Ehrenfeld and pushed him into the vault from where he handed them the loot. Just before leaving the robbers again tied up the assistant cashier.

The trussed men were taken into a side room by the three robbers, while a fourth waited outside in a green four-door sedan, in which the bandits made their getaway.

Flight of the trussed men was discovered by other customers who entered the building soon after the hold-up, which took place about 1 p. m.

No shots were fired, although Stringfellow was treated roughly when he offered resistance to being tied.

The bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System. In 1935 it was robbed of \$2400. The robbers were not apprehended.

The car which carried an Ohio license was found on the afternoon of the robbery at the Storock hunting camp in Krise Valley, Seven Mountains. The bandits wore hunter's clothing, and there is a possibility they changed into civilian dress in the mountains.

A conversation with the assistant postmaster at Milroy reveals that one of the bandits entered the post office, but at no time gave him a chance to see his face. He stood at a desk and peered out into the open.

Robert Stringfellow, one of the men to enter the bank while the robbery was in progress, received a check from the postmaster and went to the desk where the stranger was standing and indorsed it. The bandit, who had not been discovered at that time, followed Stringfellow as he left the post office and entered the bank with him.

He was thrown or knocked to the floor, and tied up. The bandit was described as being all of six feet tall and weighing 200 lbs. or more; a tough-looking hombre and wearing a checkered shirt.

The postmaster had no knowledge of the robbery until Stringfellow returned to relate his experience. The post office is located in the bank building, but the entrances are on different streets.

Edward White, keeper of the Storock camp Krise Valley, Seven Mts., reported to the State police that an effort had been made to remove his car on Friday afternoon after the Milroy bank robbery. The supposition is that the bandits endeavored to make an exchange of cars, which was evidently done later at some point in the mountains. The green sedan proved to be the property of George Bixler, of Youngstown, Ohio.

SHOWER FOR NEWLWEDS

A shower was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vogt in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Smith newllyweds, Saturday evening. Many beautiful gifts were contained in the "shower." A delightful evening was spent by all present. Refreshments were served.

Those present: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Vogt, children, Edward, Jr., Floyd, Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. George Vogt, Mrs. C. F. Emery, Mrs. Howard Emery and daughter Evelyn, Roberta Smith, Donald Ruble, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wetzel, Mrs. Clara Letstler, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neff, Mrs. Adam Smith and Bryte, Jack Riegel, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Weaver, Mary Garver, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Irmel, son Loren, Helda, Jean and Janet Hagans, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Taylor of Bellefonte; Betty Shields, Bob McKenney of Lock Haven; Mrs. J. L. Vogt, Betty of Hornet, of Montandon, Mrs. Isabel Pappaz, Elwood Pleiscott, Ruth Jacobson, Joseph Thrash, Mrs. Freda Hill and children, Arthur, Ruth, Earl, Paul, Mona, Elizabeth, of Wilkes-Barre.

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Only one of the 21 cantons approved the measure. The total vote was 598,000 to 232,000 against it. It would have forbidden Masonic organizations in Switzerland, and "all activity connected therewith or indirectly with similar foreign associations."

The National Front, Federal Front and other political bodies organized along Nazi lines introduced the petition. It was submitted to a popular vote after the Central Council and Parliament registered their opposition and urged the electorate to vote against it.

Someone walking through town on Monday came to the conclusion that a lot of snow shovels had been lost since last winter. Monday was the first the shovels were needed this fall.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS

Ken G. Haines has resigned as football coach of State College high school.

Next Thursday winter will officially begin. It will also be the shortest day in the year.

One of Harry Moyer's sons trapped a bobcat in the vicinity of the Roy Garbrick farm.

Sherman Putt, formerly of Port Matilda, is now tenant on the R. M. Smith farm, formerly the Wm. S. Brooks farm, west of town.

John Richard, 11, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Treasurer, of near Bellefonte, died from infantile paralysis in the Lewisstown hospital. He had been ill for about a week.

Centre Hall's independent basketball team was taken to the "cleaners." Wednesday night of last week in the first game of the season, Lewisstown's Careful Cleaners team defeated them 35 to 29.

A car operated by Adam Reish, of Millheim, and the Garbrick milk delivery truck, Centre Hall, collided in the Millheim Narrows. Both vehicles were damaged but none of the car occupants was injured.

W. H. Hill, for ten years proprietor of the Garman hotel, Bellefonte, has leased the Brandt hotel and will operate both the hosteleries. The latter place will be opened in February after intended improvements in the place are made.

Misses Edith Potter and Ann Hockman, both of Meadville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Rudy, uncle and aunt of the former. Both young ladies are employed in a zipper factory in the Crawford county city, the home of the zipper.

A new family to locate in Centre Hall is that of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Vonada and several children, who since Wednesday of last week occupy the Mrs. Isabel Laughner property vacated by the C. A. Spyker family a week previous. Mr. Vonada came here from Boalsburg.

The fact that 225 men are employed on the Black Moshannon airport is evidence that the rumor the project would close is an error. Other indications of continuing the work is the fact that a new diesel tractor with a 10-yard scoop and several five-yard scoop tractors were received from the Martinsburg airport.

Hoy Neff is now living at Lighthouse Hall on the Kidder farm and is employed by Mrs. Mary Kidder Stuart. Mr. Neff, for several years was regularly employed at Camp Susquehanna and had charge of livestock and poultry. He is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Neff of Potter township, both deceased.

Mrs. Harry Weaver, of Altoona, was in town during last week for the express purpose of looking up a home that might be purchased at a reasonable price. Mrs. Weaver and her family during the lifetime of her husband lived in Centre Hall. Mr. Weaver, employed in the P. R. R. shops in Altoona, died four months ago.

Dr. Wilson P. Ard, pastor of the Mossiah Lutheran church, Denver, Colorado, surprised his friends in Bellefonte, by an unexpected visit during last week. He had been called to Pittsburgh on a special mission and couldn't resist the temptation to run back to Centre county, his birthplace, for a day. Mrs. Ard did not accompany him east.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Dutrow anticipate spending much or all of the winter in Florida, having planned to leave their home in Centre Hall about the middle of the present month. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Walker, the former a grandson of the Dutrows, will be in charge of the Dutrow home during the absence of the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Walker now live in the Mrs. Margaret Strohm home.

Burton Fetterolf, during the past week, killed a nice buck on Nittany mountain, and this aroused the hunting spirit of his son, Gerald, who the following day went to the Allegheny mountains to join a camp of hunters. During the afternoon of that day a fine buck and doe companion came across the valley from Egg Hill and leisurely skirted the Fetterolf farm buildings, east of Centre Hall, and finally went to Old Nittany undisturbed.

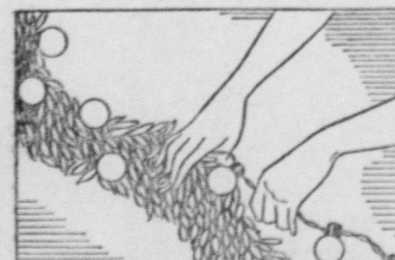
Frank Crust took aim at a buck deer and brought him down, but on going to where the game had fallen it was nowhere to be seen. The shot was fired from Mr. Crust's home, on the Bruce Hettiger farm, in the Penns Cave area, while the well-racked buck was eating apples under a tree in a nearby orchard. On crossing a slight ravine between the points occupied by the farmer and deer when the shot was fired, permitted the fleetfoot to make a getaway without being observed.

The best story of the week, in fact in many weeks, concerns one of mistaken identity on the part of John Rimmer at a basketball game on the local high school floor Wednesday evening of last week. To tell the story here would require a half-column space, but we guarantee it would roll you in the aisle. But we'll tell you this much: if you can find John's companion at the game that night, and have him narrate the proceedings of the incident, you'll vote it the best laugh-provoking story of 1937.

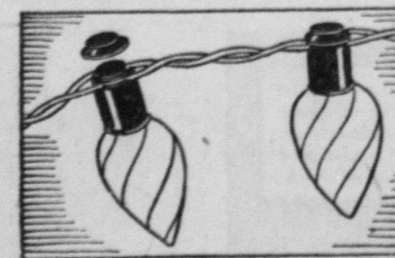
Decorating For Yuletide Display



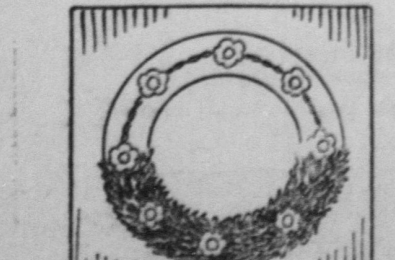
If you don't want to buy a flood-light for holiday decorating, one can easily be improvised by using a small bright tin or light-colored enamel pan for a reflector and attaching a 200-watt lamp in it as shown at the left.



If you are using strings of colored lights in your outdoor decorating they'll look better if the wires are covered with evergreens or artificial roping. Tie the greens at intervals with string to make sure they stay in place.



Wire and sockets can be bought separately. With such an arrangement the sockets can be spaced as you want them—and incidentally the spacing can be changed from year to year to suit your decorating without harming either the wire or the sockets.



You can make any size wreath you like for window or door by wrapping wire with ground pine or holly and inserting a string of lights.