

LOSS \$3,000 AS FIRE DESTROYS OLD LANDMARK

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grain, 37 tons of hay, a calf, 3 pigs and some farm machinery.

Only a small amount of grain remained to be threshed when a spark from the blower on the threshing machine set fire to the barn, which is on the farm owned by Mrs. Roger T. Bayard and Mrs. W. C. Dunlap, of Tyrone. The original deed of the farm to the Rhone family was made by the heirs of William Penn. Mrs. J. Cloyd Brooks is tenant of the property.

So quickly did the flames spread, that although the engine used to operate the thresher was removed to safety, the threshing machine was destroyed. Mr. Searson had no insurance on the outfit, but yesterday morning continued his rounds throughout Penn's Valley with a brand new threshing machine in tow.

The Centre Hall and State College fire companies were called but owing to lack of an adequate supply of water together with the advanced stage of the fire when they reached the scene, they devoted most of their efforts to protecting nearby buildings. The State College pumper filled a well near the barn from a spring in a nearby field, and this was used in keeping other buildings from being damaged.

Part of the heavy loss is covered by insurance, it is reported, and yesterday members of the Brooks family declared that the barn will be rebuilt as soon as possible. Because it will be some time before the new barn is ready for use, Mrs. Brooks has decided to hold a public sale of live stock and farm implements. The sale is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 5, on the premises. Included in the live stock to be sold are three horses, 19 milk cows, a bull, brood sows, pigs, and chickens. A full line of farming implements and some household goods, also will be offered for sale.

CHURCHES SHARE IN WILL OF LATE MRS. AMANDA MILLER

The will of the late Mrs. Amanda T. Miller, of East Linn Street, who died Monday of last week at the age of 95 years, was filed for probate in the offices of Register John L. Wetzel, this week. In it Mrs. Miller leaves \$100 to St. John's Episcopal church as a memorial to her late father, James Amos, and \$200 to the Bellefonte Methodist Episcopal church, in memory of her mother, Ruth Amos, and her late husband, Samuel B. Miller.

Mrs. Maie W. Tate, who was Mrs. Miller's companion for many years, is given \$200 in cash and sufficient furniture to furnish a bedroom. The residence and property on East Linn Street is to be disposed of at public or private sale, and the proceeds divided into two equal shares. One share is to be divided equally between Phillip and Ned Ray, and the other share is to be invested and the income paid to Louise Amos Courtney.

The rest of the estate is to be reduced to one fund and divided into two equal shares; one of which is to go to the heirs of Mrs. Miller's deceased sister, Eliza Amos Butts, and the other share to the heirs of her brother, the late Monroe Amos. Household goods and equipment is to be divided among nieces and nephews. The will dated June 21, 1934, names J. K. Johnston, as executor.

SENTENCE FUGITIVE WHO BECAME 'MODEL CITIZEN'

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from 4 to 12 years for entering a building and larceny of an automobile.

Judge Fleming, after hearing Reed's plea for clemency, declared that he knew the facts given in the plea were correct but that this Court is not empowered by law to show mercy to Rockview fugitives. Holding that while the local court is compelled to pass a standard sentence, Judge Fleming declared that he will put no stumbling block in the path of any effort Reed may make to win his early freedom. He extended the Court's sympathy, and assured the defendant of full co-operation in moves for a pardon. Reed sentenced—as all Rockview fugitives are sentenced—to undergo imprisonment in the Western penitentiary for a period equal to that of the original sentence, which in this instance is from 4 to 12 years.

Speaking to newspapermen after being sentenced, Reed appeared optimistic that his complete freedom is near at hand. He declared that he has many friends in North Carolina who are anxious for his early release and who will aid him in his efforts to secure a pardon—"maybe before Christmas," he said. August 31, after his identity became known, Reed remarried his wife, Viola Vina Floyd, whom he had married under his assumed name shortly after his escape from Rockview.

Five other pleas were heard by Judge Fleming, Monday afternoon before the regular session of Civil Court continued the deliberations begun that morning.

John H. Boltz entered a plea of nolo contendere to a charge of passing worthless checks in the amount of \$235.00. According to reports he posed as a buyer of cattle condemned for Bang's Disease. He allegedly passed two worthless checks, one for \$315 and one for \$220 on Centre county farmers. He was arrested in Reading, posted bail, and jumped his bail. Later the bail was found to be worthless. A bench warrant was issued for his arrest and he subsequently was apprehended at Reading, where similar charges had been lodged against him. A detainer was placed against the man and when Reading authorities were through with him he was brought back to Centre county, arriving here September 18.

Boltz, speaking in his own behalf, launched on a story about the cows he purchased in this county being no good to him, but the Court, pointing out that such difficulties were a separate matter, sentenced him to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$1, and to serve from 1 to 2 years in the Allegheny Workhouse, on each of the two counts, making his Workhouse term from 2 to 4 years.

Nelson Shaffer entered a plea of guilty to drunken driving, the prosecutor in the case being Corporal Robert Raymond of the Pleasant Gap State Motor Police. The officer stated that about 10:30 p. m. September 4,

while he was conducting a regular patrol near Millheim, his attention was drawn to Shaffer's car by its speed. The patrolman followed the car, and reported that the machine zig-zagged along the road, narrowly escaping collisions with other machines. Shaffer was apprehended and taken before a physician, who pronounced him intoxicated.

Owing to the fact that Shaffer had served 17 days in jail while waiting

to appear in court, he was sentenced to pay the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$25, and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for 17 days—to be computed from the day of his original commitment. State College John Reed, no stranger in the Centre County Court, appeared on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The prosecutor was Chief of Police Harry Dukeman, who reported that Reed was drunk, used

unbecoming language and profaned the streets. John admitted he was intoxicated when arrested, but denied panhandling, declaring he had money of his own. He was directed to post a bond of \$500 subject to approval by the court, to guarantee that he will keep the peace for the next six months, or in default of bail, to spend the time in the county jail.

A charge of vagrancy against John Carroll was withdrawn owing to the

fact that Carroll has died since the charge was entered against him.

Clair Wilson, of Millheim, charged with being the father of a child born to a girl under 16 years of age, entered a plea of guilty, and was placed under the usual obligations for the support of the child. Sentence on the statutory offense was suspended for the duration of his future good behavior. Wilson was a first offender.

Jesse Emel entered a plea of guilty

to threatening John F. Meyer, Mr. Meyer being the prosecutor. Meyer told the Court that after some litigation in the office of a Bellefonte Justice of the Peace over a family wrangle, Emel threatened to beat him up. Meyer said he wasn't afraid of Emel in the daytime, but "didn't trust him" at night. Emel admitted having made the threats, but said he had cooled off toward Meyer, and no longer was anxious to trounce him. Anyway, Emel

said, he would be glad to work in the coal regions, where he has been employed since the argument that resulted in the charges. Emel was discharged from custody upon payment of the costs.

Bellefonte Presbyterian September 26, 1937. W. C. Thompson, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45, Harry C. Taylor, Supt. Morning Worship at 10:45; Evening Worship at 7:30.

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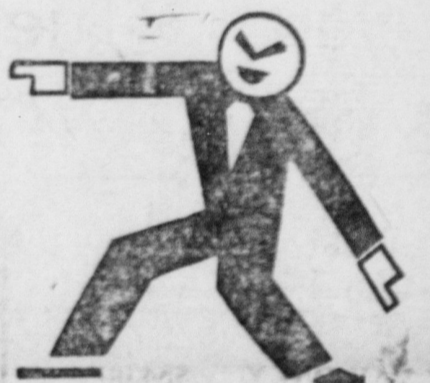
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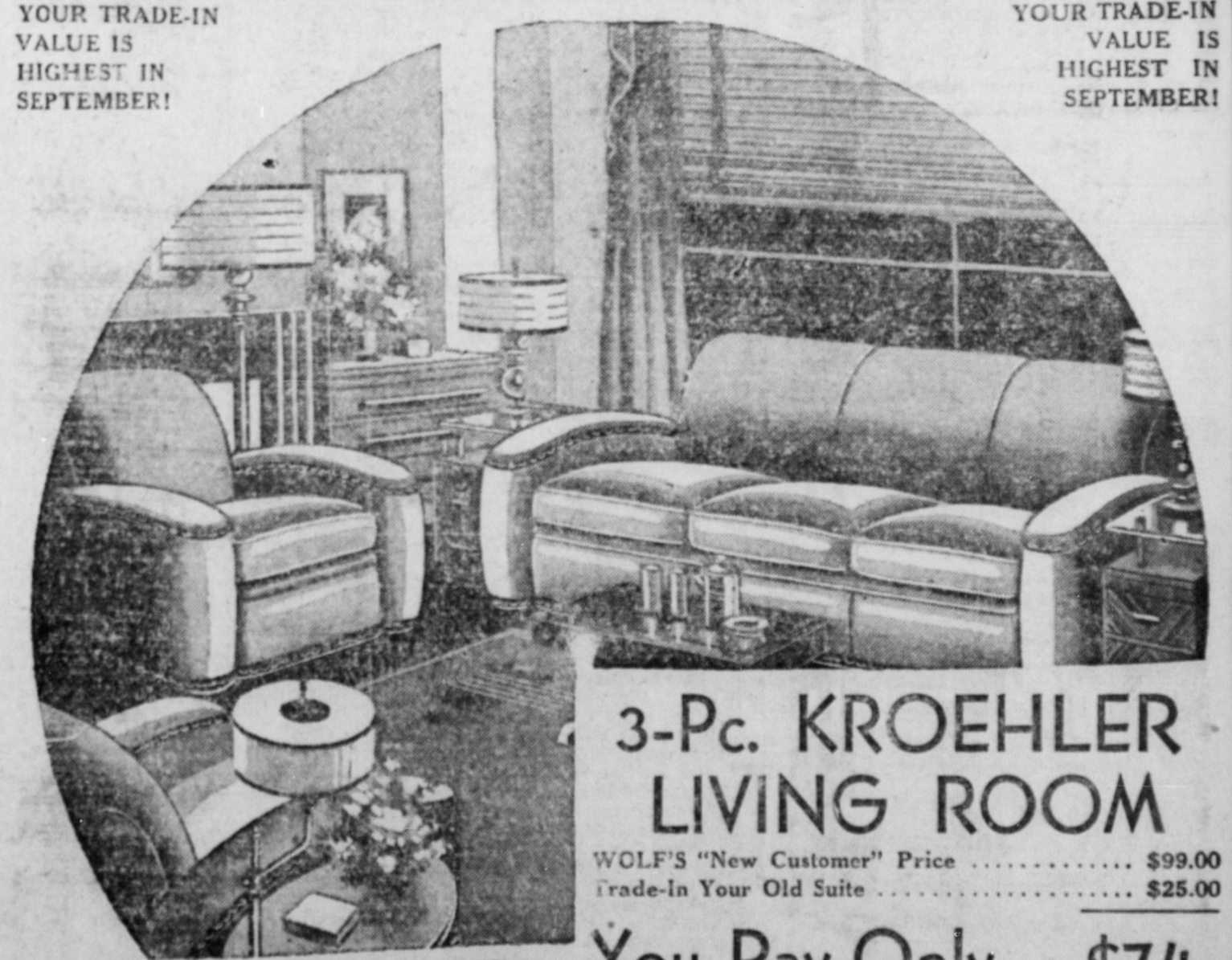
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