

## COMPLETE \$129,000 BUILDING

### New Highway Garage Ready for Occupancy

Concrete, Steel and Brick Structure, 160x225 Feet in Size, Houses Modern Offices and Complete Garage Facilities

Office Features Include Venetian Blinds, Sound-proof Ceilings, Showers

HAS OWN HEAT, WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEMS

With the same absence of fanfare that marked its construction, the State Highway Department's new \$129,000 garage and office building on the Beaver farm east of Bellefonte, was completed and given its final inspection during the weekend.

The inspection was made last Thursday by a group of 14 persons representing both the Highway Department and the Public Works Administration, who jointly financed the structure.

While finishing touches are being made in various parts of the huge one-story red-brick structure, plans are under way for the transfer of office equipment and records from the Decker building at the corner of Spruce and High Streets to the new building, while similar arrangements are being made to move the highway maintenance garage and equipment from the present Wilson Street quarters into the new Highway Department house.

Although the new office and garage building presents a neat and substantial appearance to motorists along the Bellefonte-Loch Haven Highway through Nittany Valley, only an inspection of the interior brings to light the vastness and (Continued on page 4—1st section)

### ICY HIGHWAYS CAUSE CRASHES

Five Persons Injured, Many Cars Damaged in Central Part of County

A series of accidents, most of them resulting from the slippery condition of roads since Saturday, have taken a considerable toll in injuries and damages during the past week.

Mrs. Stella Detwiler, of Centre Hall, R. D., was admitted to the Centre County Hospital Sunday night suffering from abrasions of the head and shock which she sustained in an accident near Tusseyville. Her husband, Homer Detwiler, suffered lacerations of the scalp and forehead, and a sprained knee, but was not admitted to the hospital.

Miss Sue Bogenrief, of Mifflinburg, underwent treatment at the hospital Monday for minor injuries received in a crash near Pleasant Gap, Sunday night. The Rev. and Mrs. Nelson Segel, also of Mifflinburg (Continued on page 7—1st section)

### CHEMICAL LIME BEING MANAGED BY RECEIVERS

Receivership Became Effective Two Hours Before RFC Issued Execution

HEARING IN MATTER SCHEDULED SATURDAY

Default of Interest on Government Loan Brings Company to Financial Crisis

The Chemical Lime Company of Bellefonte, owners of the world's largest rotary lime kiln, have been operating under the terms of a temporary receivership since last Thursday when the company which last year obtained a large loan from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, was unable to meet its financial obligations.

W. J. Emerick and Francis Crawford, both of Bellefonte, have been named by Judge M. Ward Fleming to act as receivers for the company. A hearing will be held before Judge Fleming in the Court Room this Saturday morning, December 11, when it will be determined whether or not the receivership will be made permanent.

If the receivership is made permanent, the company will continue to operate for a period of three months, at the expiration of which time the receivers will report to court on the income, assets and condition of the company, with recommendations as to whether the receivership should be continued, or the business of the company concluded. The receivership enables the company to continue normal operations and to take steps to work itself out of its present financial difficulty without the harassment of further litigation.

Under the terms of the receivership the receivers are enabled to manage the affairs of the company without taking into consideration any existing debts. In other words, they begin with a clean slate insofar as past obligations are concerned.

In order to establish a financial reserve for operating the plant under the receivership, the receivers (Continued on page 7—1st section)

### DECORATE TOWN FOR CHRISTMAS

Evergreen Trees Line Sidewalks; Community Tree Erected on Diamond

Bellefonte is brilliantly decorated for the Christmas season.

In fact, the decorations this year exceed in number and in beauty those of any year in the memory of the town's oldest citizens. The main business section each night is literally ablaze with illuminated trees along the edges of sidewalks, while the view from West High Street toward the Diamond is a most colorful one. These trees have been erected under the direction of H. C. Yeager, chairman of a Chamber of Commerce committee in charge of street decorations.

The Bellefonte Kiwanis Club this week erected a huge community Christmas tree on the traffic island on the Diamond, and the branches of the tree bear hundreds of colored lights, surmounted by a large star at the top of the tree.

The County Commissioners have entered into the spirit of the season and have erected a large tree on either side of Governor Curtin's monument in front of the Court House. These trees are trimmed with colored lights.

Harry M. Williams, Court House janitor, built a large cross covered with evergreen and bearing colored lights, which he has suspended from the roof of the Court House porch. The cross is visible from all parts of the Diamond and from nearly the full length of West High Street.

In addition to these displays, stores and business places are decorating their establishments in the Christmas mode, and in the residential sections, outdoor Christmas displays are beginning to appear. Each year these displays grow more attractive and more numerous, so by the time Santa is scheduled to arrive in Bellefonte, he will have no difficulty in determining that Bellefonte is expecting him.

**Lesion Elects Officers**  
The results of the annual election of officers of the State College American Legion and Legion Auxiliary Junior Drum and Bugle Corps, held Tuesday night were as follows: Quartermaster, W. H. Marshall; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Martin Knutsen; drill master, C. W. Taylor. The board of directors consists of Guy Stearns, Mrs. C. E. Snyder, Mack McCarty, F. J. Doan, and the officers mentioned above.

—Bronze turkeys, corn and milk fed for sale. Lawrence Harman, Snow Shoe Intersection, Phone 916-R-22.

### Why Not a Dedication and 'Open House' for New Highway Building?

Bellefonte has a new \$129,000 building, and only about one person out of every thousand knows what the structure is like.

To say that most persons would be completely surprised upon entering the new State Highway Garage and office building just completed at the extreme eastern end of Bishop street, would be a mild statement, for even a casual inspection reveals that the structure is second to no other building in Bellefonte.

In fact, its construction, the excellence of materials used, the fine regard for detail, the vastness of the building and the completeness of its heating, lighting and plumbing facilities rank it on a par with the new postoffice building erected here several years ago.

For these reasons The Centre Democrat believes that before the structure is occupied by the Highway Department, it should be dedicated with proper ceremonies, and it should be thrown open to public inspection for several days at least.

At the present time, neither the Highway Department nor the Public Works Administration, who jointly financed the structure, have made any plans for a public inspection or a dedication. We believe that if Bellefonte's Chamber of Commerce desired to open the structure to the public.

It seems a great pity that one of the most ambitious construction programs in this locality in years should not be given proper recognition, particularly in view of the magnificence of the building erected.

### TEN HISTORIC BUILDINGS GET NATIONAL HONOR

Owners of County Properties Receive Certificates From Secretary Ickes

RECORDS FILED IN LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

Six Residences, Two Taverns, Grist Mill and Church Listed in Nationwide Survey

Owners of ten houses and old buildings in Centre county are receiving certificates from Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes testifying that they possess exceptional historic interest, and that a record of the buildings have been deposited in the Library of Congress for permanent reference, the Historic American Building Survey Committee announced at Washington, D. C. yesterday.

The residential constructions in the list are the Henry S. Linn residence, of Bellefonte, which was built in 1810 by General Philip Benner for Judge Walker; the James Harris house, Bellefonte, which was built in 1795, and is now used as the Borough Home—the mahogany doors of the parlors were brought from the Walnut Street Theatre, Philadelphia, after 1823; the Brockner House, Bellefonte, built in 1813; the Schaeffer house, Nittany, constructed before 1830; the Hardman Phillips house, Phillipsburg, now owned by Miss Julie Hale, and the Benner house, of Rock Forge, which was built in 1812 and is now in very poor condition.

Two venerable old taverns have been given historic recognition—the Boolsburg Tavern, at Boolsburg, which was partially destroyed by (Continued on page 6—1st section)

### FOUR ESCAPE DEATH FROM CARBON MONOXIDE

Four persons came near having their lives snuffed out in sleep by carbon monoxide fumes at the Turkey Run, three miles east of Beech Creek, Sunday morning. They were Mr. and Mrs. Morton Corman, Harold Holter and Miss Evelyn Rhine-smith comprising the staff of the Inn.

Mr. Corman had left the gasoline engine in the cellar running to generate electricity to charge the storage batteries of a lighting plant. Little ventilation, if any, was arranged for the sleepers in the second story and when they awakened about daylight they felt depressed with headaches and were groggy.

That they were not completely overcome is attributed to the fact that the engine stopped about 3 a. m. for which hour it was regulated. The source of trouble was found to be a hole in the exhaust pipe. (Continued on page 5—1st section)

### WITH THE HUNTERS.

While hunting on Nittany Mountain, Robert Allen, of Centre Hall, had a rare chance to kill a buck, but missed. He heard a rustling in the bushes and on looking about saw two bucks in a combat. They were struggling to overcome each other, while the youthful hunter took a not too steady aim and fired. One of the combatants was hit, but not seriously wounded. He escaped. A companion hunter was Donald Goodhart, who was some distance from the scene.

Harry Rothrock of Bellefonte shot a three-point weighing about 135 pounds, near Beech Creek. E. D. James of State College, killed an eight-point buck near the Barrens. Bill Spaznuth and Paul Boves of State College shot 7-point and 8-point bucks, respectively. (Continued on page 7—1st section)

### GINGERY WANTS CUT IN H. O. L. C. INTEREST RATE

Congressman Don Gingery, of the twenty-third congressional district, is working with Congressman Eilen-bogen of Allegheny county on legislation to reduce the interest rates and extend the time of payment of home owners' loans in order to prevent the foreclosures which are forcing so many borrowers out of their homes, and to make it easier for home owners of small income to pay off their loans.

"I am working for this legislation," Congressman Gingery writes, "because I feel that a man's ambition to own his home should be encouraged, and I am in favor of his being given all possible assistance."

### Brooklyn Man Killed Near State College

HEARING HELD IN COL. SPANGLER ESTATE CASE

At a special session of Court held Saturday, with Judge M. Ward Fleming presiding, a hearing was held in the matter of exceptions filed by Mrs. Blackburn, Mrs. McClain, Mrs. Van Pelt and Rachel Van Pelt, heirs of the late Col. Jackson Levi Spangler, of Bellefonte, to the commission charged by the Bellefonte Trust Company, administrators of the estate.

The heirs named claimed that the charge was excessive and not in keeping with the work involved. The Bellefonte Trust Company, it was reported during the hearing, had levied a fee of 4 per cent on personal property and 3 per cent on real estate. During the hearing it was brought out on behalf of the Trust Company that a 5 per cent commission rate is usually charged in settling large estates. Total assets of the Spangler estate are approximately \$309,000.

The court reserved decision in the matter. Other matters aired at the session included the filing of an appeal by W. S. Zahniser, of State College, on two charges of violating the State College Borough code; a request by the Poor District of Union township for permission to offer the township poor farm at public sale, and an argument in the case of Harry Nyman vs. Ottavio Berardis, involving a contract entered into between the two for the construction of apartments at the Berardis building on South Allegheny Street.

### LOOT \$6500 IN BANK ROBBERY

Milroy Bank Officials Bound With Shoestrings; Four Masked Men in Gang

Two men, both wearing dark glasses, locked officials of the Milroy Banking Company in a directors' room Friday afternoon and fled with about \$6,500.

A widespread search failed to locate the robbers although the car in which the robbers made their getaway was found.

One of the two men in a cage at the bank was Charles Ehrenfeld, brother of Prof. Frank Ehrenfeld, supervising principal of the Phillipsburg schools. The other man was Taylor Reed, president.

The two robbers leaped into a green car with an Ohio license, after locking the bank—the second holding there in two years—and sped up the mountains toward Bellefonte. Hours later, the car, registered in the name of George Bixler, (571 (Continued on page 7—1st section)

### Joanna's Shop Sold.

The stock and fixtures of Joanna's Shop in the Bush Arcade building, West High street, were sold this week to a Philadelphia concern. The new owners of the store this week announced a sale of the entire stock of merchandise. Miss Joanna Decker, former owner of the establishment, will withdraw from business and will devote her entire time to her real estate interests.

### JOHN T. NOLL DIES SUDDENLY

Heart Attack Here Proves Fatal to Prominent Business Man of Pleasant Gap

Death came suddenly and unexpectedly to a prominent resident of Pleasant Gap about 8:20 o'clock last Thursday morning when John T. Noll was stricken with a heart attack in Bellefonte and died a few moments later.

Mr. Noll was in the act of delivering some supplies to the Bishop Street home when he fell over on the sidewalk near the Brent House. He was carried inside where death ensued a short time later. Two years ago Mr. Noll had suffered a slight stroke, but apparently had completely recovered (Continued on page 7—2nd section)

### CORP. ROBERT RAYMOND'S MARRIAGE IS ANNOUNCED

Announcement was made recently of the marriage last June of Miss Florence Berninger, of near Berwick, to Corporal Robert Raymond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Raymond, of Thomas street, Bellefonte.

Corporal Raymond for the past number of months has been in charge of the Pleasant Gap subsection of the Pennsylvania Motor Police. Prior to being transferred to Centre county, he had been stationed at Berwick. For the time being Mrs. Raymond is at her parental home at Mifflinville, near Berwick.

### Coroner's Jury Places Blame For 3-Car Crash on Port Matilda Man's Sedan

COUNTY EMPLOYE AND WIFE ARE INJURED

Victim Dies in Hospital, After Car is Involved in Head-on Collision, Saturday

In a three-car motor accident near O'Bryan's Service Station just east of State College along the State College-Boalsburg highway about 4:30 o'clock Saturday afternoon, five persons were injured, one of them fatally.

Harold J. Polese, aged 41, of Brooklyn, N. Y., died at the Centre County Hospital here about 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning, death being attributed to head injuries and shock. He suffered severe lacerations of the face and both legs were fractured.

The injured were: Mrs. Polese, wife of the deceased, who suffered severe lacerations of the neck, chest injuries, bruises and shock.

Samuel J. McMullin, Millheim, chief clerk to the Centre County Commissioners, severe lacerations (Continued on page 3—2nd section)

### THREE MORE BUSINESSES GIVING COUPONS FOR \$600

Three additional business firms in Bellefonte have joined in the distribution of coupons for the \$600 in cash awards to be given away these Christmas eve. It was reported yesterday by the Chamber of Commerce.

The firms are as follows: Dunlap Motor Company, Simon Route Store, Axemann, J. O. Brewer Coal Yard. At these establishments as well as at more than 40 others in Bellefonte, one coupon is given with each 50-cent cash purchase. You can save of getting coupons when you shop in Bellefonte by glancing at the store windows. Participating stores carry large banners announcing that they are giving coupons for the prize distribution. Be sure to get your coupons—the more you have the more probable it is that you'll get a portion of the \$600 cash fund.

### COUNTY'S TWO CCC CAMPS WILL NOT BE ABANDONED

The two CCC camps in the Bellefonte area came safely through the national shakeup that will soon eliminate 104 camps now in operation, it was learned yesterday.

The doomed camps are scheduled to close in all parts of the country about December 15. The Bellefonte area camps, recently estimated to be worth about \$4,000 a month each to trading areas in their immediate vicinity, among the 1500 selected to continue operations through at least another six-month period.

The camps are located near Coburn and near Phillipsburg, in Centre County.

The wholesale closings were necessary to bring the Civilian Conservation Corps within its restricted budget. It was said.

### TO SET UP NEW LIBRARY CORP.

Fear Structure of Present Organization Not Adequate to Take Over Property

Abandonment of the present corporation formed some months ago to take over the Humes residence at the corner of Allegheny and Howard streets for a public library and community center, and the formation of a new corporation for the same purpose became a strong probability Saturday morning when the library matter, long a subject of legal discussion was again brought before Judge M. Ward Fleming.

The only factor keeping the library from becoming a reality is the fact that up to this time the executors of the estate of Miss Ann Elmira Humes, the first National Bank of Bellefonte, have not yet turned over to the library corporation the deed to the property.

In court Saturday morning attorneys for the executors, as well as counsel for other interested parties, reported that they are not satisfied with the structure of the present (Continued on page 7—1st section)

### Retail Merchants to Meet.

A meeting of members of the Retail Division of the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce will be held at 7:30 o'clock Monday night, December 13, in the Logan House. A full turnout of members is desired.

### YOU NEEDN'T HAVE A CARE About Christmas Shopping

IF YOU FOLLOW THIS TIMELY SUGGESTION:

Decide right now to send The Centre Democrat for a year to that relative or friend, over whom you have been pondering what to give as a Christmas gift.

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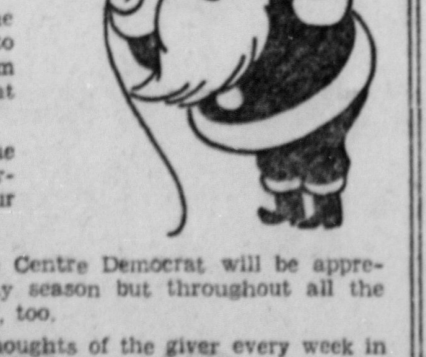
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