

CHEMICAL MAY REORGANIZE

Creditors Seek Help Of Bankruptcy Laws

Hearing to be Held in Scranton, December 22; Local Court Names Hugh M. Quigley, Armstrong Francis as Appraisers

Plant Continues Normal Operation Under Management of Receivers

R.F.C. EXTENDS 'OLIVE BRANCH' AT HEARING

The financial affairs of the Chemical Lime Company, Bellefonte, took a new turn in Court here Saturday morning when it was announced that action has been taken by some creditors of the company to take advantage of the Federal bankruptcy laws in settling the difficulties.

This announcement had the effect of causing Judge M. Ward Fleming to proceed cautiously during the hearing, in view of the fact that any action taken now by the local court may be invalidated later if the Federal Courts are given jurisdiction in the settlement of the present difficulties.

Later Saturday the court named Hugh M. Quigley and Armstrong Francis, of Bellefonte, as appraisers to immediately inventory and appraise all the assets of the Chemical Lime Company, Inc., which may come into the custody and possession of the receivers.

Developments at Saturday's hearing were threefold:

1. Judge Fleming made permanent the appointment of W. J. Emerick and Francis Crawford as receivers of the company. Permanency is designated as being for three months, during which time the receivers will conduct the affairs of the company without regard to past obligations.

2. Judge Fleming announced that he would appoint two appraisers to (Continued on page four)

WILL OBSERVE AVIATION DAY

Centre Counties Invited to Visit U. S. Weather Station at Kylertown, Friday

Residents of Centre and Clearfield counties yesterday were given an invitation to visit the Kylertown unit of the U. S. Weather Bureau on Friday, December 17, as part of the nationwide observance of National Aviation Day, as a tribute to Orville Wright, who made the first flight of a power-driven airplane, capable of carrying a man, thirty-four years ago.

Eleven federal bureaus and departments throughout the country are cooperating to give observance programs.

David Bruce, who is in charge of the Kylertown bureau, said in issuing the invitation to the public that the commissioned attendants of the bureau will be on hand to explain the work of the Kylertown (Continued on page eight)

Stores Open at Night. Beginning last night all stores in Bellefonte, with the exception of food stores, will remain open every evening until Christmas. Food stores will be open Saturday nights only, unless other provisions are made later for the last few days before the holiday.

Report Shows Football is Big Business Proposition

That all the money which flows into the coffers of an athletic association is not clear profit is evidenced by the report for the recent football season just released by the Bellefonte High School Athletic Council, and included herein.

Receipts reached the rather astonishing total of \$5,424.45, but expenditures of \$3,190.81 cut the balance for the season to \$2,233.62. The classified expenditures listed in the report give an indication of how obligations accumulate during a season far beyond the realization of the casual observer.

HUNTING INJURY IS FATAL TO SNOW SHOE MAN

Fractured Skull Causes Death of John Caldana, 49, Two Weeks After Mishap

FELL TO GROUND WHILE CLIMBING INTO TREE

Thought Injury Was Minor One; Is Survived by Widow And Five Children

A fracture of the skull sustained while hunting on November 30 proved fatal to a well known Snow Shoe resident, John B. Caldana, aged 49, who passed away at his home at 8:35 o'clock Monday morning while arrangements were being made to take him to the Phillipsburg State Hospital.

Caldana was a member of a party hunting deer in the Snow Shoe area, November 30, and had been assigned to watch while other members of the group conducted a drive. In order to gain a vantage point, Mr. Caldana decided to climb into a tree, and (Continued on page four)

J. B. CAMPBELL DIES IN TYRONE

Ferguson Township Native Was Prominent Farmer, Active in Church Work

John Bailey Campbell, of Tyrone, widely known in Centre county, died of a heart condition at his residence Sunday afternoon at 12:05 o'clock after an illness of over five months. Born November 25, 1868, he was the oldest son of Henry C. and Jane Anne Bailey Campbell of Fairbrook, Pa.

As a young man Mr. Campbell attended Pennsylvania State College and Eastman College of Business in Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Serving as a school teacher in Ferguson township, Centre county, he was later identified with the American (Continued on page 8-2nd section)

LODGE TO HONOR CONSTITUTION

P. O. S. of A. Head Calls on Citizens of State to Pay Homage, Sunday

"Every citizen of this great Commonwealth should pause briefly and pay silent homage on Sunday, December 12, the 150th anniversary of Pennsylvania's ratification of the United States Constitution," Charles B. Helms, State Secretary, Patriotic Order Sons of America, declared this week.

With every tenet of the order closely interwoven in the fundamental law of the United States, Mr. Helms, in an official announcement to the 75000 members of the P. O. S. of A. throughout the State, called for widespread Constitution (Continued on page 8-2nd section)

B. H. S. GRID TEAM IS ENTERTAINED

Members of the Bellefonte High School championship football squad, coaches, cheer leaders and others affiliated with the team, about 60 in number, were entertained at a roast turkey dinner at the Elks Home on West High Street, Tuesday evening.

John G. Love, acting as toastmaster at the dinner, introduced as the principal speaker F. J. "Joe" Bedenk, former All American football player, and present line coach at Penn State. Mr. Bedenk spoke of the permanent value of football training in high school, declaring that the discipline and strict habits formed while in training become lifelong assets. He pointed out that the spirit of fighting hard and fair, developed on the gridiron, is equally useful in fighting the game of life.

Other speakers at the banquet included Coach Miller, Mayor Hardman P. Harris, and Ab. Confer, captain of the championship team.

The dinner was prepared by Cynril Moerschbacher, steward at the Elks Club.

Fleming Spent \$895.79 According to his expense account filed in the offices of the County Commissioners Judge M. Ward Fleming, who last month was a candidate for re-election as Judge of Centre County, spent \$895.79 during the campaign. The money spent was \$500 to the Republican County Committee,

SCHOOL BOARD PROVIDES EXTRA SEVENTH GRADE

Class to be Divided to Eliminate Overcrowding; Teacher Resigns

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER CHOSEN AT MEETING

Newly Elected Members Share in Committee Posts For Coming Year

Considerable business of both routine and special interest occupied the Bellefonte Board of Education at its monthly meeting in the Directors' room, Monday night.

Among the items confronting the Board, with the newly elected members, DeHass and Hartman, present for their first regular session, was the resignation of Miss Anna Mary Dotterer as a teacher in the Spring Street School occasioned by the serious illness of her mother.

The Board, after accepting Miss Dotterer's resignation with regret, selected Martha Geiss Wagner of Curdin Street, as substitute for the position for an indefinite period.

A committee of teachers from the Allegheny seventh and eighth grades appeared before the Board and described the unfavorable effect of overcrowding in the seventh grade, which has 52 pupils. The Board authorized the Repair Committee to re-convert the old dressing room for use as a classroom providing the cost will not exceed budget allowances.

It is planned to transfer a few pupils from the Bishop Street seventh grade, which numbers 45, to the Allegheny Street building, thus creating three seventh grades with an average of 32 per grade.

Action relative to the 44 hour law as it applies to janitors was postponed until the constitutionality of the law and provisions for its enforcement have been determined.

Committees to serve for one year were established as follows: Sinking Fund; George Hazel, ex-officio; Chas. F. Cook and Horace Hartman; Supplies; J. R. Hughes and Bossart DeHass; Repairs; Horace Hartman and Bossart DeHass.

FIRE DESTROYS GRADE SCHOOL

Defective Flue Assigned as Cause; Pupils Get Extra Long Xmas Vacation

The dream of almost every school-boy came true at the Bush Addition school, just southwest of Bellefonte, Friday morning, when the frame schoolhouse was badly damaged by fire. October 25, this year, a fire broke out in the same building, but pupils who might have hoped for the "best" were disappointed when Bellefonte firemen soon routed the flames.

Friday's fire was different however. Although both fires are believed to have originated from a defective flue, the one which finally gutted the building had a much larger fire.

Howard Man, Attacked by Hog, Painfully Hurt While attempting to clean a pig pen one day last week, Blair Fletcher, well known resident of Howard, sustained painful injuries about the arm when he was bitten by one of the hogs.

The arm was badly torn and stitches were required to close the wound. Mr. Fletcher returned home after undergoing treatment in the Lock Haven Hospital.

POURS KEROSENE IN RANGE; SIX PERSONS BURNED

Two Beech Creek Families Made Homeless, Third House Damaged by Flames

EFFORT TO KINDLE FIRE CAUSES BLAST

Members of Family, Trapped on Second Floor, Leap From Upstairs Windows

Six persons were burned, one seriously, and two families were made homeless when exploding kerosene started a fire which destroyed two houses and damaged a third at Beech Creek, about 6 o'clock last Thursday morning.

The blaze originated in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Baney when Mr. Baney attempted to start a fire in the kitchen range. Both he and his wife, three children and Mr. Baney's brother, Delbert, who resided in their home, were compelled to seek treatment at the Lock (Continued on page six)

BOYS SENTENCED IN AUTO THEFTS

Harold Gentzel, 16, Sent to Industrial School; Brother Goes to Glen Mills

The final chapter in the long series of car thefts which had police officers in Centre County on edge for more than a month, was written at a special session of Court here Saturday morning when Judge M. Ward Fleming sentenced Harold Gentzel, aged 16, of near Bellefonte, to serve an indeterminate term in the Industrial School at Huntingdon.

Gentzel was sentenced upon his plea of guilty to the theft of three cars, together with the theft of accessories from a garage. His younger brother, 14, was sentenced to 18 months in the county jail for the same offense.

MUSSER TO HEAD EXTENSION UNIT

Members of County Agricultural Service Hold Annual Meeting at Court House

Officers for 1938 elected last Thursday at the annual meeting of the Centre County Agricultural Extension Service held at Bellefonte, were: J. Foster Musser, Pine Grove Mill, president; James J. Markie, State College, vice-president; Malcolm Musser, Bellefonte, secretary; and W. C. Smeltzer, Bellefonte, treasurer.

Speakers at the morning session emphasized the importance of the Agricultural Extension Service to the people of Centre County and brought out the fact that during the past 20 years, the Extension Agents have played an important part in the changing condition of agriculture. W. C. Smeltzer, who has been a member of the County Board ever since its organization in the county, gave an interesting talk on agricultural conditions over a twenty-year period. R. G. Niesbe, Assistant Director of Agricultural Extension, emphasized the importance of the Extension Service as an educational agency.

The afternoon program consisted of a series of moving pictures and slides presented by Miss Eleanor J. Smith, Home Economics Extension Representative, and R. C. Blaney, County Agricultural Agent. These pictures illustrated the program of Extension Service as being carried out in Centre County. The following subjects were covered: kitchen arrangements, home furnishings, boys' and girls' club work, farm garden, wool marketing etc. Approximately half of the pictures shown had been taken of Centre County people during the past year.

During the noon hour and at the close of the meeting people present inspected exhibits on kitchen conveniences and soil erosion. The latter was arranged by Mr. Frank Bahlow, Agronomy Extension Specialist of State College, who was present and explained the importance and some of the methods of controlling erosion.

College Fire Loss \$400. Damage estimated at \$400 resulted from a fire at the Smith Beauty Salon, S. Allen Street, State College, about 11:30 o'clock Friday night. The loss was confined to paper towels, neck papers, permanent wave papers and similar supplies stored in the basement. Members of the Alpha Fire Company, donning smoke masks, fought their way into the basement and extinguished the flames.

Open New Display Room. The Electric Supply company has opened a new display room in their State College store. The new room, which is again as large as the original display room, is attractively and appropriately decorated for the forth-coming season.

Deer Kill Exceeds Last Year's Total

Milesburg Girl Recovers Lost Watch Thru Ad

Reports From County Game Officers Show Comparatively Few Violations

NEARLY EVERY CAMP OPEN DURING SEASON

Season Brings Two Fatal Accidents; Size of Deer Being Studied by State

With the close of the 1937 deer season, Saturday, game officials in Centre County reported that from information available the number of deer taken out of Centre County exceeds last year's kill by a substantial number. Officials declined to estimate the number of deer killed, declaring that no official figures will be available until early next year when the State Game Commission has tabulated returns from each county.

While illegal kills were declared to be "high enough" no definite figures could be obtained, officials explaining that there are a number of investigations under way and that it is probable it will require considerable time to close all these cases.

Deer in Centre County were reported to be in fair condition generally, although wardens report (Continued on page six)

GOLDEN WEDDING AT AARONSBURG

Mr. and Mrs. William Guisewite Have Lived in Same House 50 Years

Yesterday marked the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Guisewite, prominent residents of Aaronsburg, who on December 15, 1887, in the Reformed parsonage at Aaronsburg were united in marriage by the Rev. Z. A. Yearick, then pastor of the church.

An unusual fact concerning the anniversary is that the Rev. Mr. Yearick still survives. He is now 92 years old and makes his home in Bethlehem.

At the wedding a half century ago, there were no attendants. Mr. and Mrs. Guisewite still continue the tenancy, unbroken for fifty years, of the same home in Aaronsburg to which they went as bride and groom.

Chemical Creditors to Meet. A meeting of creditors of the Chemical Lime Company will be held in the offices of the company on North Water Street at 10 o'clock this Thursday morning, December 16. At the meeting such plans for the future will be adopted as the creditors may then determine.

Milesburg Girl Recovers Lost Watch Thru Ad

Although Christmas comes but once a year for most people, those who use The Centre Democrat's classified advertisements often find that Santa Claus is working throughout the entire year.

Take the case of a Milesburg girl. The day before Thanksgiving Day, this young lady lost her valuable wrist watch somewhere in Milesburg or Bellefonte. She searched everywhere, and as days passed with no evidence of the missing watch, she almost gave up hope of ever finding it.

Then she happened to think of the Centre Democrat's Classified Ads, and weeks after the watch had been lost, inserted an ad. Imagine her pleasant surprise when a Milesburg boy, who had found the watch in the gutter in front of the Penn Belle Hotel, Thanksgiving Day, returned the watch, stating that he had seen the advertisement in this newspaper!

Try a Classified Ad. If you are a subscriber you are entitled to one insertion of not more than 25 words, free of charge. If you're not a subscriber the charge for the same type of advertisement is only 25 cents. Like the Milesburg girl, and hundreds of others, you will find our Classified Advertisements open up a tremendous opportunity to bring your needs to the attention of thousands of Centre Countyans.

HIGHWAYS SECRETARY VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

Oxygen was administered to Highway Secretary Warren Van Dyke at of pneumonia, to make him more comfortable, attending physicians said yesterday when they reported his condition "satisfactory."

Van Dyke was given oxygen every 15 minutes to counteract a "slight breathing trouble," physicians said, but emphasized the highway department chief's condition was not serious.

This measure definitely was not considered a last resort but was intended to make the patient more comfortable. Dr. C. C. Enslinhardt said.

Van Dyke also was treated with serum which the state started to distribute free today to reduce the alarming pneumonia toll.

Open Penn's Valley Road

Although route 45 between Old Fort and Millheim was opened to traffic this week, construction of the road is not yet complete and it may be necessary to close it at a later date to reconduct a fill near Spring Mills, which is reported to be settling. A bridge at Spring Mills spring will be reconstructed until next spring, it is reported.

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.

The cost is so small and the effort so easy, you will be surprised how it will relieve your mind of the gift problem.

A year's subscription to The Centre Democrat will be appreciated not only at the holiday season but throughout all the year, and by the entire family, too.

It is a gift that will bring thoughts of the giver every week in the year—and the cost is but one dollar and a half.

Cut out this blank and send it to this office properly filled out and accompanied by the subscription price. We will start the paper with the first issue of the new year. We will also mail a Christmas card to the recipient, bearing your name and greetings.

Now is the time to arrange for your subscription gift. Send or bring us the information as early as possible, so that we can arrange to have your gift card reach the recipient in time for Christmas.

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