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MINIMUM CENTRE COUNTY'S MINIMUM

BELLEFONTE, PA., THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 1938.

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MINIM THOUSANDS READ

Appointive Cifice Budget Cut in Half

Office as Judge

es Importance of Jury Duty

inducted into office with impress-

Standing behind the flower-

decked Bench beside former Judge

who later inducted Musser W. Get-

tig, of Bellefonte, into the office

Every member of the Centre

County Bar was present at the in-

auguration ceremonies, while the

seating capacity of the Court

of District Attorney.

Two Jobs Discontinued; Two Court Room Filled As Ivan Others Merged in Effort Walker Receives Oath of to Reduce Costs

SWENGEL SMITH MADE FINDS ELATION MIXED D. P. and P. OFFICER | WITH CERTAIN REGRETS

Mileage Fee Slashed; Auditor Asks Cooperation of Offic-For Register, Recorder and ials, Bar and Public; Stress-Prothonotary is Named

"I shall curtail unnecessary and Before a capacity audience in excessive expenses and eliminate the Court Room here at high noon unnecessary officials which are a Monday, Ivan Walker, of Belleburden to the taxpayers of Centre fonte, the first Democratic Judge County, without affecting the ef- in Centre County for 22 years, was ficiency of administration."

Mindful of this important plank ive ceremonies. in his campaign platform, Judge Ivan Walker in announcing his appointments at the conclusion of M. Ward Fleming, Judge Walker the inaugural ceremonies at the was administered the oath of office Court House, Monday, carried out by Prothonotary Bond C. White, his promise by the following means

1. Abolishing one office.

2. Merging two other offices.

3. Discontinuing a clerkship. 4. Slashing in half the annual

Room was taxed to the limit, by budget appropriation for appointive hundreds of persons from all parts offices. of the county who came to wit-

5. Reducing mileage fees for ness the proceedings. Judges' appointees from ten cents The program opened when Court HERBERT STOVER NAMED to 61/2 cents, in conformity with Crier William Houser, of Bellethe rate allowed the County Com- fonte, opened Court in the usual missioners in conducting County form. Judge Fleming, after formbusiness. ally announcing the purpose of the

The office of the Costs Clerk has gathering, dropped the cloak of been abolished, and under state formality and stated that he has laws it will henceforth be the duty been intimately acquainted with of the District Attorney and Coun- Judge Walker during his entire ty Commissioners to collect the life; as a boy; as a man; as a citicosts from the parties made liable zen and as a lawyer, and added therefore by sentence or by order that Centre Countains have every of the Court reason to be assured of an "even-

The Juvenile office, and the of- handed Justice, well administerfice of the Desertion, Probation and ed." during the coming ten years. to one office, and Swengel Smith. Prothonotary White while Judge

We pause to salute His Honor, Judge Ivan Walker, central figure in Monday's inaugural ceremony, and join his vast number of Centre county friends in wishing him success and good health during his administration as President Judge of our Courts.

Hail ! and Success !

We believe we speak a nearly unanimous opinion that justice has found an able champion in Judge Walker.

Ten years ago we found it a pleasure to felicitate Judge M. Ward Fleming upon his ascendancy to the Bench, notwithstanding the support we gave to his opponent during the judicial campaign.

Time in its customary way marches on, and ten years later we find ourselves congratulating Judge Fleming's successor, with the mingled emotions of pride and regreta natural rejoicing at the success of Judge Walker, and a feeling of regret over the retirement of his worthy pred-

Therefore, with all the sincerity at our command, we extend the hand of triendship to both, with the hope that each may live long and prosper

ecessor.

THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT STAFF AND PERSONNEL.

MERCANTILE APPRAISER

Warren Roberts, auditor general of Pennsylvania, this week announced the appointment of Herbcrt Stover, of Smullton, as mercantile appraiser of Centre County. Mr. Stover succeeds Harold D. Cowher, of Bellefonte, in the important position.

ANNUAL DINNER

al Relations Theme of After

Dinner Addresses

guests of Jackson-Crissman-Saylor

Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, of

Bellefonte, attended the annual

New Year's banquet of the organ-

ization at the Markland Hotel, Sat-

urday night. World peace, and the

position of the United States in in- Mayes

VETERANS HOLD

COUNCIL HOLDS CIVIL WAR VET **DIES SUDDENLY** FIRST MEETING AT AGE OF 98 **OF NEW YEAR**

WALKER NAMES APPOINTEES

Thomas Beaver Re-elected Survived Wounds of Two Bat-Pres.; Carpeneto and Miss tles to Become County's **Doll Also Retained** Second Oldest Man

BURGESS ADMINISTERS WAS TO HAVE TAKEN OATHS TO OFFICIALS PART IN CELEBRATION

County May Rent Boro Poor Funeral for Simeon Bathurst Home For Use as Temporof Milesburg, to be Held ary County Home Saturday Afternoon

At the annual reorganization Dath came suddenly to another meeting of Bellefonte Borough of Centre County's remaining Civil Council in the Logan House, Mon- War veterans early yesterday mornday night. Thomas Beaver was re- ing when Simeon Bathurst, wounded elected president of the organiza- in the Battles of Chancellorsvill tion for another term. He was un- and Gettysburg, died suddenly and opposed for the election, and the an apectedly at the home of his datighter, Mrs. William Yeager vote was unanimous.

re-elected borough treasurer, and sided oldest man in Centre County Miss Marie Doll was re-elected being aged 98 years. 3 months and borough secretary without a dis- 13 days at the time of death. He senting vote or without other nom- was to have been a guest of honor inations being received. Thursday, January 13, at a dinner Two new members of Council to be given by the Bellefonte Cham

(Continued on page eleven)

ton, who on that day will be 100 years old. Mr. Bathurst and Mr Hamilton, served in the same com-

Bachurst fell while returning from

immediately summoned. He passed Head: Don Everitt Sworn away at 6:30 o'clock while the physician was still at his bedside. in as Sheriff

The aged veteran was a nativ Edgar E. Widdowson was induct-(Continued on page four) ed into the office of president at the meeting of the Bellefonte Ki-FIRE COMPANIES wanis Club Tuesday noon in the Penn Belle Hotel. The past president's button was given to the re-

•FLECT OFFICERS



PRESENT OFFICE Musser W. Gettig, who on Monday became Centre County's new WILL BE PRESENTED District Attorney, yesterday announced that he will retain his of-

Taps For Veteran To Honor Local Man

fices in the James C. Furst building on East High Street, across the Event at Penn Belle Hotel street from the main entrance to the Court House. Mr. Gettig and his father, the

late S. D. Gettig, Esq., have been located in the same offices for a long period of years, and recently Mr. Furst added a new and private office room at the rear which will give Mr. Gettig ample room

trict Attorney as well as his personal civil practice. As was the case with the outgoing District Attorney Philip H. Johnston, an amicable arrangement has been **4-H CLUB HOLDS** reached with the County Commissioners for a division of upkeep

> BUFFALO RUN YOUTH IS STRUCK BY AUTO

Many Centre Countians Re-Gilbert Shivery, aged 13 years, son ceive Awards: 9 Pens to be of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Shivery, of Buffalo Run Valley, sustained a Displayed at Farm Show fracture of the left ankle yesterday aftermoon when he was struck by a The Centre County 4-H Lamb car driven by Dr. Joseph A. Parrish,

IS CONTINUED

Club Round-up was held in the of Bellefonte. stock judging pavilion at State Dr. Parrish stopped and rushed the bathroom about 5 o'clock yester- College on Wednesday of last the youth to the Centre County Hosweek, according to County Agent pital where an X-ray examination was made, the fracture reduced and Members received awards as fol- the limb placed in a cast. Accord- and the committee has arranged lows: blue or first place ribbons, ing to reports, the boy will be taken Beulah Peters, Stormstown; Dan- to his parental home today.

of Curtin, having been born there lel Stearns, Lemont. Robert Ho- State Motor Police at Pleasant man, State College; Donald Ross, Gap, who investigated the mishap. Centre Hall; red or second place reported that the youth ran from ibbons awarded to: Helen Homan, behind a parked truck directly into State College; David Noll, Centre the path of Dr. Parrish's machine Hall; Dean Ross, Centre Hall; Wil- The accident happened near young liam Sigel, Stranstown; third Shivery's parental home.

costs.

Mace awards or white ribbons went

Civil War Veteran BOUQUET OF 101 ROSES

Chamber of Commerce Spon-

sors Dinner For Aged

Open to Public: But Ticket Sale Limited to 150

Plans have been completed for a dinner to be given next Thursday night, January 13, in honor of Bellefonte's oldest citizen, Thomas to conduct the affairs of the Dis- Brew Hamilton, of North Allegheny Street, who on that day will celebrate his 100th birthday anniversary.

The committee appointed by the local Chamber of Commerce to attend to arrangements for the dinner consists of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Thompson, Major and Mrs. H. Laird Curtin, and Burgess Hardman P. Harris. Mrs. Thompson is serving as chairman of the committee

The anniversary dinner, which is open to the public, will be held at the Penn Belle Hotel at 7 o'clock. The menu includes a full course roast turkey dinner, and diners are asked to be present so that all can take their places around the table before Mr. Hamilton is escorted into the dining room at 7 o'clock. Burgess Harris will act as master of ceremonies during the evening the program so that the evening (Continued on page five)

FEDERAL WARRANT FOR MAN ARRESTED HERE

Chief of Police Harry Dukeman of Bellefonte yesterday received a telegram from Williamsport stating that a federal warrant, charging impersonation, has been issued in that city against Earl Gale, 25, of

rant has been given to a United

Gale was arrested the latter part

of last week by Police Officer Don-

ald Johnson after he is said to have

combined the selling of accounting

ledgers with the unauthorized in-

spection of Bellefonte merchant's

social security and other accounts.

Gale allegedly told some merchants

that they were not keeping their

accounts properly and offered to

sell them accounting systems at

\$10. The man was arrested after

several local merchants had com-

plained to police about his method

of doing business. At a hearing be-

fore Justice of the Peace, John M.

Keichline, Gale was remanded to

jail to await the arrival of the

Ivan Walker's first official act

as Judge of the Courts of Centre

County; Monday, was to sign a

bond for Norris I. Harter, of

Blanchard, who recently was re-

elected as Justice of the Peace. Or-

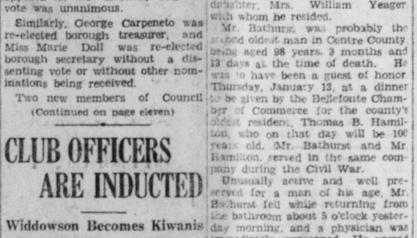
dinarily the signing of a bond for

BY SIGNING BOND

United States Marshall.

WALKER OPENS TERM

States Marshall for service.



of Bellefonte, was named to handle Walker's right hand was upraised. the business , formerly conducted and his left hand rested on an by two separate officers. The bud- open Bible, presented to him for get for this office has been reduced the occasion by his law partner World Peace and Internationfrom \$6,000 annually to \$3,000 and close friend, N. B. Spangler, annually.

the Juvenile Officer and Desertion, Probation and Parole Officer has the oath ne had the audience

Judge Walker named as his secretary Miss Mary Hartle, of Bellefonte, and the salary of the office has been reduced to its former scale.

D. Paul Fortney, well known Bellefonte citizen, was named Court Crier, while tipstaves appointed by Judge Walker are: J. T. Merry- feature the annual January Clearman, of Boggs township; J. O. ance Sale at the Katz store, Belle-Peters, of Stormstown; Arch Con- fonte, which will open at 9 o'clock fer, of Spring Mills; Joseph Weist, tomorrow, Friday morning. of Philipsburg, and Mrs. Joseph I. Runkle of Bellefonte is a highlight of the post-holiday L. Runkle, of Bellefonte.

Another innovation revealed in season and a study of their adver-tisement on other pages of this is-Judge Walker's appointments was sue will convince the most skeptical the naming of an auditor for the that this year marked down to rock accounts of the Register, Recorder bottom prices, and sensational valand Prothonotary. This officer is us in all kinds of merchandise are mandatory under the state laws, offered. Turn to their advertiseand his duties will be to audit ment for money saving suggestions. each year the accounts of the three

Bellefonte, was appointed by Judge Walker to this position.

The Board of View undergoes Stakes have been set along the little change under the new ad- proposed new road between Potters ministration. J. K. Johnston, of Mills and Old Fort, and while Bellefonte: E. L. Willard, and nothing definite regarding con-George I. Denithorne, of State struction plans is available here, it College, and J. Thompson Henry, is generally believed that construcof Martha, are retained as profes- tion of the road will get undersional members, while J. I. Yarnell, way in the coming summer.

Hudson, of Philipsburg, are re- route, a number of curves will be tained as lay members. New ap- removed from the road, and the pointees to the latter group are grades will be made easier. High-John S. Spearly and D. F. Houser, way Department officials were unboth of Bellefonte.

Bellefonte Men Observe

this yarn might have appeared in ings on the fog-bound road.

Read the classified ads and profit. crete construction.

Joseph Herman, also of Bellefonte,

of Spring Creek.

nature story of 1938.

The clerk formerly retained for herence to the many provisions of

and launched into a brief address in which he commended the administration of his predecessor, (Continued on page four)

KATZ CLEARANCE SALE WILL BEGIN TOMORROW

ternational affairs was the theme Drastic price reductions are to

county officers. Sinie H. Hoy, of POTTERS MILLS-OLD FORT

of the evening's discussions. The invocation was pronounced and Donald L. Flegal. by the Rev. Robert J. Sudlow, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. while James R. Hughes, former M. Rossman. headmaster of the Bellefonte Academy, acted as toastmaster. Charles E. Dorworth, the first speaker of the evening, praised the aims and

ideals of the V. F. W., and expressed his pleasure at once again meeting with "old friends." Major H. Laird Curtin spoke briefly but interestingly on the

ROAD IS STAKED OUT



Salary Was \$420 able to say whether the proposed The Rev. William C. Thompson

road would be of macadam or conwho on Monday retired as Javenile Officer of Centre County, last week

ubmitted to Judge M. Ward Flemof St. Agnes Church, Altoona. ing his report for 1937. During his period of service in Bellefonte Father Hackett became The report shows total expenses of \$983.55, of which \$420 represents

salary and \$563.55 represents ex-New Year in Spring Creek penditures for traveling, meals and postage

> The report follows: Honorable M. Ward Fleming,

New Year's Day may come and Bartley cottage along the creek go, but for two Bellefonte men for the night the two set out about President Judge of Centre County January 1, 1938 is a date they will 11 o'clock in good spirits, with Courts not soon forget, for both narrowly Bartley driving. Before they had

escaped drowning in the icy waters reached the schoolhouse at the in-"I herewith submit my annual retersection above the Roopsburg (Continued on page eleven) Had it not been for the timely Mill, the car had been brought to

arrival of assistance in the form of a complete stop six or seven times so the driver could get his bear-

the obituary column. But since As they traveled out the creek everything turned out all right in road the fog got more dense, and The \$5,000,000 building program mers as "The Horse Hole," a par- expected to help make the coming College, vice president, and Rus-In the first place driving any- ticularly deep pool just above a year a busy one for the Bellefonte sell Spangler, Blanchard, secretary,

year. Donald R. Everitt was in Earl Custer Heads Logans; vested with the badge and tools of the office of sheriff.

tiring president, Armstrong L

Francis, in recognition of his

Judge Walker.

Harold D. Cowher Named The congratulations and expres-Pres. of Undine Company ion of esteem and the pledge of

co-operation of the members of Bellefonte's two fire companies the Club were extended to Judge Ivan Walker by the Rev. Clarence officially began the New Year Mon-Approximately 100 members and E. Arnold in behalf of the Club, day night with reonganization

to which response was made by meetings which resulted in Earl Custer being named president of President Widdowson appointed the Logan Company, and Harold the following committees for 1938: D. Cowher being chosen president of the Undines. The Logans' new Agriculture: Howard T. Struble. chief is John Gillen, while the Un-James B. Musser and J. Will dine chief for 1938 is Philip Saylor.

Attendance: Donald R. Everitt, The meetings were held in the L. Ward Hile. Edw. L. Keichline respective homes of the two companies The complete official fam-Boys and Girls Work: W. W. ily chosen by the Logan Company Sieg, George I. Purnell and Hubert is as follows: Earl Custer, presi-

dent; H. Elmer Yerger, vice presi-Business Standards: Walter T. dent: Alex. Morrison, treasurer: McCormick, Ray C. Noll, George Gilbert Morgan," recording secre-(Continued on page four)

FATHER HACKETT GOES

tary: Philip Saylor, chief; Arthur to the farm show, All pens exhibit-Boob, 1st, assistant chief; Philip ed at the Farm Show will receive Gross, 2nd. assistant; Ambrose a minimum of \$8.00 prize money. TO ASHVILLE CHURCH Smead, 3rd, assistant; Edward Hull,

4th. assistant: Thomas Morgan The Rev. John B. Hackett has trustee; Alex. Morison, member of COURT OFFICER been named rector of St. Thomas Board of Control; Philip Saylor. Church at Ashville, Cambria Coun- delegate to State Convention: Fred ty. The appointment is effective Blair, delegate to District Conven-

this week, according to an announ- tion, and Fred Love, alternate to coment by the Right Rev. Richard T. Mr. Blair. Guilfoyle, bishop of the Altoona Undine officers named to serve

during 1938 are: Harold D. Cow- Total Expenses of Desertion. Catholics Diocese. Father Hackett has been serving her, president; William Doll, Sr., administrator of St. John's parish vice president; Russell Beezer. at Bellefonte during the illness last treasurer: Albert Knisely recordummer and of the convalescence ing secretary; John Gillen, chief; f the pastor, the Rev. William E. Norbert Derstine, 1st, assistant;

Downes. Prior to that assignment Joseph DeLallo, 2nd. assistant; Edof Walker township, and Charles According to the staked-out 1937 Expenses of Juvenile he had been stationed in Altoona ward Kustanbauter, 3rd. assistant; Officer Shown as \$563.55; as assistant to the Rev. William S. William Lambert, Philip Mignot and John Kane, trustees; and Har-

In another clerical change anold D. Cowher, member of Board Fleming his annual report for the nounced, Father Downes will have a of Control. William Cunningham year 1937, including a brief sumpermanent assistant in the Rev.

Bernard McGuire who while chaps Morrison retiring chief of the Un- it was established early in Judge lain of the CCC camps in this seedines. tion made his home at the rectory

UNEMPLOYMENT OFFICE

widely known and well liked through Bellefonte unemployment out the county, and his host of local ompensation and employment offriends wish him every success in fice opened Monday in the former

postoffice building, North Spring Street. The office is now open regu-NEW ASSISTANCE BOARD larly for registration for employ ment and for making application for

NAMES OFFICERS FOR YR. uner ment comp According to political rumors on Albert E. Mingle, senior interview- the streets yesterday, Clyde N. Lee.

Centre County's new Board of er, has announced a schedule by of East Bishop Siteet, is to be re-Public Assistance held its first which residents of various sections leased from his duties as Sealer of meeting in the offices of the Moth- of the county may secure the ser- Weights and Measures for Centre COLLEGE BUILDING BOOM ers' Assistance Fund, in Temple vices of the office without going to County. Court, Monday night, and elected Bellefonte. These offices are to be The s

ipsburg, and State College,

dam, it ran off the road, shithering Central Railroad, the only railroad No other business was transacted

his new parish.'

LIBRARY MAILER that city against Earl Gale, 25, of Theresa, N. Y., and that the war-John Delaney, Centre Hall; Donald Smith, Centre Hall; Arthur Hartle, Bellefonte; Inez Luse, Centre Hall; Mac Bennison, Howard; Harold Rockey, Boalsburg. Awards were based on the indiv-

SIMEON BATHURST

LAMB ROUND-UP

R. C. Blaney.

Toman

sual merit of their pens as fol- Judge Fleming Holds Final cws: placing in ring, daily gain, Decree in Abevance For nd record books.

The Centre County group will Incoming Judge xhibit nine pens at the State Farm Show. These pens were sel-In an opinion filed a few days cted on individual merit as de-

ermined by the judge, P. C. Mc- before his term expired, Judge M. Ward Fleming decreed that if and Kenzie, and are as follows: Helen Daniel Stearns, Robert when the Centre County Commun-Homan, David Noll, Richard Luse, ity Library Corporation's charter Dean Ross; Beulah Peters, Arthur is revised, or a new one is drawn up in accordance with the provi-Hartle, and Donald Ross.

sions of the Non-Profit Corpora-The remaining six pens were ourchased by Lee Smeltzer of tion laws of 1933, the executors Pleasant Gap. Owners of pens and trustees of the Ann Elmira liminated at the local round-up Humes Estate shall deed the propwere awarded prize money by the crty at the corner of Allegheny Centre County Bankers' Associa- and Howard Streets to the Corportion to help defray their expenses ation. Judge Fleming in his decree de clares that he finds himself torn

between two wishes. On one hand (Continued on pake four)

To Undergo Operation D. W. Bradford, well known farm implement dealer of Centre Hall, FILES REPORT was admitted to the Centre County a Justice of the Peace is a routine

Hospital yesterday, where he is matter, but in view of the fact that scheduled to undergo an operation. it was Judge Walker's first act in Monday of last week Mr. Bradford office it assumed special signifiunderwent observation at the same cance. institution and at that time it was **Probation and Parole Office**

Later in the day Judge Walker ound that an operation was ad- signed an order directing the Jury visable to correct the condition Commissioners to draw 24 grand from which he has been suffering. jurors and 100 traverse jurors for One of Centre Hall's outstanding the regular term of court. citizens, Mr. Bradford is widely

Judge M. Ward Fleming's last known and held in high regard act in office was to sign a decree in throughout the county, and has a a divorce proceedings. host of friends who wish him an

entirely successful operation and DOG LICENSES NOW ON SALE

a rapid recovery.

H. J. Stover, of Coburn, dog law New Commander For Camp enforcement officer for this area Lieut, Lester E. Clark of Altoona yesterday announced that 1938 dog has succeeded Capt. James Camp- licenses are now available at the car are shown as \$3.459.23 while bell as commanding officer at the County Treasurer's office, and re-Loganton CCC Camp. Capt. Camp- quests that all dog owners procure bell returned to his home in Glen-side. '38 license tags for their dogs be-fore January 15, to avoid penalties

> **Syphillis Clinic Being Held Here This Week**

An unusual opportunity is open simple, Dr. Parrish said. The only LEGE BUILDING BOOM MAY AID LOCAL R. R. And elected offices to serve during the coming th staff during the administration of they are harboring the serms of to the State Laboratories for ex-Judge M. Ward Fleming. is to be syphillis.

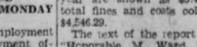
ometime this month, the rumor examination to any resident desir- son who knows from whom the ing it during this week. specimen was taken.

where Saturday night was a matter of pure guesswork, for a dense fog blanketed the earth and made it impossible for a driver to see anything smaller than a ten-ton truck at time feet. And along the Spring Creek road the proximity of water made the fog even more But when Lilliedahl accepted Bartley's invitation to go to the

everything turned out all right in the end, the Bartley-Lillfedahi event becomes the first important event b

Congressman Don Gingery in- mill reports,

\$4,546.29.



is the retiring president and Orrie mary of the work of the office since Fleming's administration.

Total expenses of the office last

OPENED HERE MONDAY total fines and costs collected were

RUMOR HOLDS LEE MAY

The text of the report follows: "Honorable M. Ward Fleming, (Continued on page eleven)

LOSE COUNTY POSITION

\$3,459.23 Last Year

Concluding ten years as Desertion,

Probation and Parole Officer for

Centre County, Roy Wilkinson, of

North Spring Street; last week sub-

mitted to former Judge M. Ward