

# RECORD CLASS TO GRADUATE

## COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES FOR B.H.S. SENIORS, JUNE 9

More Than 120 to Receive Diplomas; President of Susquehanna University Will Be Speaker; Junior Contest Scheduled for Monday, June 6th

The largest class ever to be graduated from the Bellefonte High school will receive diplomas at commencement exercises to be held in the Plaza theater on Thursday evening, June 9. It was announced yesterday by Earl K. Stock, supervising principal of the Bellefonte public schools.

The commencement program will include musical numbers by the members of the class and other high school students.

## DeMolay Dance, Banquet, May 28

Dr. J. W. Claudy to be Speaker at Dinner; Houck's Orchestra to Play for Dance

Plans for the fifteenth anniversary banquet and dance at the new Brockerhoff Hotel, Bellefonte, on Saturday, May 28, at 6 p. m., of Penn-Centre Chapter, Order of DeMolay, are nearing completion.

## State Motorcade Visits County

Writers, Motor Club Officials See Bellefonte's Trout; Fishermen's Paradise

Newspapermen, travel counselors and motor club officials representing half the nation, visited Bellefonte and the Fishermen's Paradise here Sunday afternoon on the start of a state-wide tour that will carry them 1,500 miles, through Pennsylvania.

## Junior Rifle Club Granted a Charter

The Sons of Brooks-Doll Post, No. 33, Junior Rifle Club of Bellefonte, has been granted a charter by the National Rifle Association, the national governing body of the sport of rifle shooting, according to an announcement made at the headquarters of the association in Washington, D. C. The club has a charter membership of twenty-one.

## Bee Owners Invited To Demonstration

An outdoor bee demonstration will be given at the home of A. R. Houser, Rockview, Friday afternoon, May 20, beginning at 2 o'clock. All persons interested in bee culture will profit by attending this demonstration which will be given under the direction of E. J. Anderson, State College expert, and County Agent R. C. Blaney.

## Meeting Postponed

Because three members were absent, a regular meeting of the Bellefonte School Board which was to have been held Monday night was postponed until a later date.

## To Stage Play at Milesburg

The W. W. W. Girl's Class of the Presbyterian Sunday Church School, Milesburg, will present a play "Ann's A Blonde" in the Firemen's Hall, Milesburg, Thursday and Friday evening, May 12 and 13, at 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents. An afternoon performance will be given on Thursday for children only at 4 p. m. Admission 10 cents.

## Local Man Was Manager of Airport During Establishment of Air Mail

M. J. Kelley, a veritable treasure house of information about the early days of the air mail in the Bellefonte area, resigned as manager of the Bellefonte Western Union office effective January 1, 1919, to accept a position at the Bellefonte airport, then located on the Beaver field, just east of town.

## LOCAL COURT OVERRULED IN INVOLVED CIVIL CASE

In a decision handed down this week the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania reversed a decision of former Judge M. Ward Fleming in the case of Charlotte Kepler vs. Millie Kepler of Pine Grove Mills. The ruling by the high court means that the case will probably have to go on trial in the Centre county Court.

## Man Dies In Year's First Fatal Crash

Eugene R. Brooks, 34, State College Postal Employee, Succumbs in Hospital

TWO STUDENTS ESCAPE WITH SLIGHT INJURIES

Car Leaves State College-Balsburg Road, Hurtles Over Bank and Overturs

Eugene R. Brooks, aged 34, State College postal employee, lost his life early Tuesday morning in the first fatal motor accident in Centre county in 1938.

Brooks died at the Centre County Hospital here at 7:08 o'clock Tuesday morning as the result of a fracture at the base of the skull, compound fracture of the right arm between elbow and shoulder, several internal injuries, and profound shock.

The accident happened shortly after 1 o'clock Tuesday morning when the machine, driven by Brooks, who was on his way from

## Sister and Brother Elected Presidents of School Classes

James B. Craig, Jr., and Miss Emmy Lou Craig



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A Bellefonte sister and brother, Miss Emmy Lou Craig and James B. Craig, Jr., daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Craig, of West Curtin street, last week were elected presidents of the junior and senior classes, respectively, of the Bellefonte High school.

Emmy Lou was vice president of the sophomore class last year; is a member of the glee club, and is society editor of the Red and White

## Reduce Rates On Insurance For Homes

New Schedule Applies to All County Towns Having Fire Protection

AFFECTS BUILDINGS AND HOUSEHOLD GOODS

General Cut Calls For 5-Cent Drop in All Classes For 3-Year Policies

A saving of thousands of dollars annually in insurance premiums in Centre county is expected to result from a general re-rating of private residences and their contents, in all towns in the county where re-recognized fire departments are maintained.

The reduced rates became effective as of May 9, and all new or renewed policies written on or after that date are subject to the new schedule. Towns affected by the ruling of the Middle Department Rating Association, better known as the Underwriters' Association, are: Bellefonte, State College, Philipsburg, Millheim, Centre Hall, Pleasant Gap, Howard, Unionville and Milesburg.

## John M. Bullock, Prominent Merchant Succumbs to Illness

John Montgomery Bullock aged 73 years, for more than 50 years a partner and employe in the clothing firm of Montgomery & Company, in Bellefonte, passed away in his sleep at his home on East Curtin Street, early Monday morning after a six years' illness with asthma, heart trouble, and complications.



JOHN M. BULLOCK

Members of the family found Mr. Bullock dead in bed about 7:30 o'clock, and a physician who arrived at the home a short time later stated that death had occurred within an hour or so.

A member of the Bellefonte Elks Club, and the B. P. O. E., Mr. Bullock was widely known and held in high regard throughout the Bellefonte area. He was a leading member of St. John's Episcopal church and secretary of the church vestry.

He was a lay reader in that congregation, and sang in the church choir. For a number of years he was president of the Pennsylvania Retail Grocers' Association, and was

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## MANY TRAGEDIES MARKED EARLY AIR MAIL HISTORY

WEISER LEFT WILL MADE YEAR 1929

Under a will drawn in 1929 the late E. E. Weiser, Bellefonte automobile dealer who died suddenly at the Centre County Hospital Wednesday morning of last week, names the First National Bank of State College as his executor.

The Weiser service station on the Andrews property at the corner of Allegheny and Howard streets, subject of much litigation in the past two years, is not open for business and most of the stock of cars and refrigerators has been removed. Final disposition of the business and building will not be decided until the financial condition of the estate has been thoroughly studied.

National Air Mail Week Recalls Pioneer Days of Now Thriving Industry

BURNING OF HANGARS WAS SERIOUS SETBACK

Pilots Became Martyrs to Cause; Three Killed in Mishaps in One Month's Time

During the coming observance of National Air Mail week Centre Countyans may well take credit for a share in the almost unbelievable progress made by that infant industry during the last decades, for many of the most colorful pages in air mail history were written within the confines of the county.

Since the days of the pony express transportation has been gradually improved until a journey which required weeks of hard riding a century ago is covered swiftly in an hour or so in modern transport ships. A transcontinental journey in the early history of the United States was fraught with many dangers, and at best could not be accomplished without many delays and much inconvenience. Now modern multi-motored airliners, guided by light and radio beacons, and equipped with instruments, enabling a pilot to fly accurately to his destination through clouds, fog or in darkness span the continent in less than a day's time.

Time was when a pilot crawled into an olive drab biplane—a relic of the World War—and with the twelve

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## 1222 Anglers at Paradise Opening

Trout Rush for Lures, But Catch is Light; Attendance Records Shattered

More than twice as many anglers as ever before crowded into Fishermen's Paradise in any one day, jam-packed the wire-enclosed, mile-long stretch of Spring Creek south of Bellefonte, Tuesday, for the fifth annual opening of the State's famous trout nursery.

With last year's record day of 386 registered anglers shattered beyond all expectations when 1222 fishermen were issued identification licenses, the scene at the Paradise with the start of fishing Tuesday morning resembled the starting of a pie-eating contest or peanut scramble, rather than the leisurely and serious sport of angling.

Because of the tremendous jam of anglers at the gates by 6 o'clock that morning, officials opened the portals and began registering anglers. Fishing did not begin until 8 o'clock, and with the sounding of a

## Milk Producers Are Entertained

Local Dairymen Guests of Sheffield Company at Get-Together in Court House

More than 400 farmers and their families from the Bellefonte area crowded the Court House here to capacity, Tuesday night, at a social and educational meeting held by the Sheffield Farms company for producers who send milk to the Bellefonte plant.

A program of interesting addresses and instructive and entertaining motion pictures was followed by a social hour during which coffee, home-made cake, ice cream and pasteurized milk were served.

## Plan Memorial Day Program

Twenty-five fraternal, civic and other organizations have been invited to participate in the Memorial Day parade to be held in Bellefonte under the auspices of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Chamber of Commerce. Final arrangements for the observance of the day locally will be made Tuesday, May 17, when representatives of the various groups are scheduled to meet.

## COLORED PANHANDLER GETS TEN DAYS IN JAIL

James Brown, colored, of Pittsburgh, was arrested Friday afternoon by Bellefonte borough police officer Donald Johnson, and after a hearing before Justice of the Peace Harold D. Cowher on charges of panhandling was sentenced to serve 10 days in the county jail.

Brown, who comes to this community at frequent intervals, was soliciting money from door to door, and used abusive language when a well known local business man refused his demands for 15 or 20 cents.

## FINED \$25 FOR PEDDLING IN BORO WITHOUT PERMIT

Arrested last Thursday afternoon by Chief of Police Harry Dukeman of Bellefonte, Henry Miller and Joe Schoonman, both of Pittsburgh, were fined \$25 each and costs by Burgess Hardman P. Harris, on charges of selling goods in the borough without a permit.

The men at first indicated that they would not pay the fine, but after an hour or two in the county jail paid the amount and were released from custody. The goods they were selling is reported to have been of inferior quality.

## Judge Utley Will Preside Over Court

According to an announcement by Judge Ivan Walker, of Bellefonte, Judge W. W. Utley, of Lewisburg, president judge of the courts of Mifflin County, will preside over the regular May Civil Court, which will convene here Monday, May 23.

Judge Utley has been invited to Centre County owing to the fact that Judge Walker was interested as an attorney in a number of the cases listed for trial.

## Rockview Inmate Dies

Prince Merral, colored inmate at Rockview Penitentiary, died Tuesday afternoon at the prison infirmary from lobar pneumonia, following a ten-day illness. Merral, 42, married, was born in South Carolina. He was a veteran of the World War. The body was shipped to relatives in Philadelphia yesterday.

## WPA Aid Offers Great Saving To Town In New School Project

Editor's Note: This is the third and final of a series of articles dealing with the Bellefonte Public Schools with particular reference to the proposed bond issue.

In preceding articles the general building needs of the High school and the effects of the non-resident pupil on the local situation were set forth. This article proposes to discuss some outstanding financial considerations of public interest at this time.

Let it first be pointed out that if the people of Bellefonte decide that they want their school building facilities enlarged, now is the opportune time for such a program. Federal aid for school building is both available and liberal to an extent that is not likely to occur again in the near future, if ever.

share of federal funds for needed public improvements in comparison with that received by other communities. As long as such assistance is available and a public need exists it seems to be only a matter of good business for the community to take advantage of the proffered assistance while it can be obtained.

Experience has shown that those communities which know what they want and have plans prepared covering their wants are in a strategic position to obtain aid when it becomes available.

The Bellefonte School Board has taken steps to be in such a position. To this end architects were employed to survey the needs of the school district and determine what is needed. To this end preliminary building plans have been made. To this end approval of a bond issue is asked so that the Bellefonte taxpayers may obtain for \$55,000.00 a

## Receive Number of C. of C. Folders

Remainder of 20,000 Order Expected Soon; Pamphlets Neat and Attractive

Twenty-one views of Centre county scenes, a large map of the county and a brief outline of some of the many outdoor recreations to be found in this locality are found in the descriptive folder issued by the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce.

A limited number of the folders were delivered by the printers last week-end, and most of them were given to members of the motordade touring Pennsylvania when they stopped here Sunday. The remainder

## Highway Chief To Speak Here

State Secretary of Highways Roy A. Brownmiller will be the principal speaker at a Democratic meeting to be held at 7 o'clock Saturday night, May 14, in the Court House here in the interests of the Earle-Jones ticket.

Mr. Brownmiller, a native of Schuylkill county, has been active in the Democratic party for the past thirty years. In 1909 he was elected to the general assembly after having served three terms as county commissioner in Schuylkill county. Prior to the recent death of Warren Van Dyke, Mr. Brownmiller had been assistant Secretary of Highways. Upon the death of his

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## Circus to Exhibit Here Saturday

Downie Brothers Show Will Appear on Wintner Field; Elephants Featured

Teacher, doctor, nurse and psychiatrist of psychodrama, more commonly known as elephants, is the duties of Clemens Taylor, who has charge of the four elephant herds with the Downie Bros. Circus which will exhibit in Bellefonte on Saturday, May 14, giving an afternoon and night performance on the Circus showgrounds.

Taylor, young in years, but aged by experience in the school of handling, training and supervision in the care of elephants, is a graduate, who came from the ranks of

## Chest About Full

Don't forget the Treasure Hunt that is to be staged by the merchants who are members of the retail division of the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce, Mark a ring around Monday, May 23, on your calendar and be sure to visit Bellefonte's stores on that day and join in the "hunt," the first event of its kind ever sponsored by a group of merchants in this community.

Watch for complete details in next week's issue. Meanwhile merchants are busily engaged in stocking the treasure chest with valuables of all kinds.

Read the classified ads and spec.

## Hundreds Witness Presentation of May Day Fete by Girl Scouts

Ideal weather prevailed Saturday afternoon for the presentation of the Girl Scouts' May Day fete on the spacious front lawn of Centre county's historic Court House. Witnessed by hundreds of persons, young and old alike, from Bellefonte and vicinity, the affair was one of the most complete and colorful of its kind ever held in this community.

Preceded by a brief concert by the Bellefonte Banjo Band, the festival got underway shortly after 2 o'clock, when Miss Winifred Fleming, surrounded by her Court of Honor, was escorted to the flower-bedecked throne on the Court House steps, and was crowned Queen of the May by her Prince, Miss Dorothy Stevens.

Songs dedicated to the Queen and

to the advent of May were interspersed with special drills by Girl Scouts and Brownies. Folk songs and dances by groups in colorful costumes added much to the well arranged program.

The fete was one of the most ambitious outdoor entertainments ever undertaken in Bellefonte, and the precision with which the program moved was a splendid tribute to the Girl Scout organization, their leaders and those in charge of arranging and staging the celebration.

Girl Scout leaders, under whom the pageant was staged, wish to thank the Fire Companies, the High School Band, Pifer's Banjo Band, the local Girl Scout Council and all others who in any way helped to make the event the success it was.