

COURT CUTS RECEIVERS' FEES

CHEMICAL LIME OFFICERS ASK \$10,150; GET \$3,575

Receivers Granted \$1,500; Attorneys \$2,000, Appraiser \$75

OUTLINES REASONS FOR SLASH IN COMPENSATION

Judge Walker Bases Action on Previous Court Rulings in Similar Cases

Total fees of \$10,150 asked by the receivers, attorneys and the appraiser for the Chemical Lime Company, Bellefonte, were cut to a total of \$3,575 in a decree filed yesterday by Judge Ivan Walker. A hearing upon the fees asked was held in the Court Room here Monday, and yesterday's decree disposes of the matter as far as local courts are concerned.

As receivers, William J. Emerick and Francis H. Crawford, both of Bellefonte, asked total fees of \$5,000. The court allows a total of \$1,500.

As attorneys, John G. Love, of Bellefonte, and Charles S. Wesley and Claude B. Wagoner, of Philadelphia, asked total fees of \$5,000. The court allows a total of \$2,000.

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Gets Appointment



For the 24th consecutive year W. Harrison Walker, of Bellefonte, has been named District Deputy Grand Master of the 21st Masonic District comprising Centre and Clearfield counties. The appointment was announced this week by Judge Robert R. Lewis, of Coudersport, Right Worshipful Grand Master.

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Board Hears Complaint In Theatre Case

Witnesses Testify Against Owners of Bellefonte Amusement Houses

CHARGED WITH UNFAIR TREATMENT OF LABOR

Discharged Employee Claims Activities

Testimony of nearly a score of witnesses was taken at a two-day hearing conducted in the Court room here Friday and Saturday by the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board on charges of unfair labor practices preferred against Howard J. Thompson and Elizabeth B. Thompson, Curwensville, owners of the State and Plaza theatres, Bellefonte.

The hearing concluded at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon, and the report of the trial examiner, Owen F. McLane, of Philadelphia, together with a transcript of the testimony will be submitted to the State Labor Board for final action.

COURT HOLDS SESSION HERE

Seven Enter Pleas of Guilt; Three Sentenced for Drunken Driving

Seven pleas of guilty, three of them on charges of drunken driving, were heard and disposed of by Judge Ivan Walker at a special session of court here Monday morning.

Two of the men pleading guilty to drunken driving, claiming inability to pay fines, were sentenced to pay the costs and serve 30 days in jail each, while the third was sentenced to pay the costs, a fine of \$100 and serve 10 days in jail.

Trust Company Elects Officers

Stockholders, Directors, Employees, Guests Entertained at Dinner, Tuesday

At the annual organization meeting of the Bellefonte Trust Company, at the bank here Tuesday, stockholders, directors, employees and guests were entertained at a dinner at the Penn Belle Hotel in the evening.

Pool Cue Strikes 'Birdie' Anderson

Charles "Birdie" Anderson, proprietor of a billiard room in the basement of the Garman Hotel building, was painfully injured in a mishap at his place of business Saturday night.

Buck Deer Roams Bush Hollow Area Like 'Mary's Lamb'

Residents of Bush Hollow have become familiar with a good-sized buck deer that made his appearance in that section some time ago and refuses to leave. As no other deer are seen in the vicinity it is presumed the buck may be a survivor of the recent doe season.

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More than 100 members of the faculty at the Pennsylvania State College attended meetings of scholarly and professional societies recently. Several members of the faculty delivered papers on various subjects.

COLORFUL SCENES SURROUND INAUGURATION CEREMONY

Governor Arthur H. James Sworn Into Office Before One of Largest Inaugural Crowds In History



GOVERNOR ARTHUR H. JAMES

Governor Arthur H. James, the thirty-first man to be selected as Chief Executive of the Commonwealth since the first Constitution was adopted in 1790, took his solemn oath of office at noon Tuesday at Harrisburg, before a huge outdoor throng.

Lewis Sworn First

Approximately an hour before his own induction, the Governor administered the oath of office, as judge of the Superior Court, to his friend and colleague, Lieutenant-Governor Samuel S. Lewis in the Senate Chamber.

Chief Justice John W. Kephard, of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, administered the oath to the new Governor in the glass-enclosed inaugural stand which rose like a huge white pagoda at the foot of the State House steps in Third street.

Around the foot of the inaugural stand surged one of the largest inaugural throngs in the history of Pennsylvania.

Saylor Elected Fire Marshal

Succeeds Late J. J. Bower; Boro Debt Cut \$10,500 During 1938

Election of Philip Saylor as fire marshal to succeed the late John J. Bower featured a meeting of the Bellefonte Borough Council at the chambers on Logan street, Monday night. Council also heard a budget report for 1938 in which it was revealed that the borough indebtedness was reduced \$10,500 during the year just ended.

Birthday Ball Plans Announced

As the weekend for the celebration of President Roosevelt's Birthday approaches, local committees throughout Centre county are making plans for birthday parties in their respective communities.

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Man In South May Prove To Be A. McNitt

Description Given Over Radio Tallies With Long-Missing Bellefonte Resident

MAN FOUND WANDERING IN MISSISSIPPI TOWN

Check With Authorities Now Under Way; Would Solve Strange Disappearance

A scant hope that Andrew McNitt, well known Bellefonte lumberman who disappeared under mysterious circumstances in the spring of 1929, may not be dead, was raised here yesterday following the broadcast of an appeal over a nation-wide radio hookup Tuesday night, in an effort to find relatives of a 70-year-old man who can remember nothing of his past.

The unidentified man, now being cared for by authorities in a Mississippi town, was picked up on the streets there in 1931. He remembered nothing of his past, his clothing bore no identification marks, and he had no wallet, jewelry, or other personal belongings through which his identity could be traced.

The broadcast description of the man tallied closely with the missing Bellefonte citizen. The missing man was last seen in Bellefonte in 1929.

EXPLAINS NEW BORO PLANT

Borough Engineer Hewitt Outlines Plan For Sewage Disposal

"The Bellefonte Sewage Disposal Plant" was the subject of a timely address before members of the Kiwanis Club at the meeting Tuesday in the Penn Belle Hotel. The speaker was Arthur C. Hewitt, borough engineer, who gave a history of modern sewage disposal, the events leading up to the planning of the Bellefonte disposal plant, and described the method of operation.

Modern sewage disposal, the speaker stated, is less than a century old. The first step was taken in England in 1842 when the English Poor Commission recommended sewer installations, resulting in the appointment of the Royal Commission on Rivers Pollution. In 1876 England passed a Rivers Pollution Act. In 1903 Atlanta, Ga., and Columbus, O., started the use of trickling filters. In 1927 the Pennsylvania Code was adopted.

Elect Officers For Thrift Corp.

Local Business Earns 8% For Stockholders During Year; Directors Re-elected

Sixty-five stockholders of the Centre County Thrift Corporation, Bellefonte, gathered Monday night at the Penn Belle Hotel for a dinner meeting at which directors were elected and favorable reports of the past year's business were reviewed.

Attempt Made To Rob Jewelry Store

A West High Street shoe repair shop was robbed and an attempt was made to enter a jewelry store next door, Friday night, in the most recent of a long series of burglaries in Bellefonte and vicinity.

GRANDDAUGHTER FORMER GOV. HASTINGS TO WED

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Barbara Fleming, daughter of Col. and Mrs. S. W. Fleming, Jr., Harrisburg, to George W. Reilly, III, son of George W. Reilly, of that city. The wedding will be an event of the spring.

Student Hit by Car

William Hendrickson, of Conshohocken, Penn State freshman, was bruised about the legs Friday afternoon when struck by an automobile at the entrance to the College on College avenue. Hendrickson was examined at the College infirmary and released.

State College Man Injured

Donald Webster, 21, of State College, was injured in an automobile accident Saturday in the Lycoming county area. He received a minor laceration of the nose when the car in which he was riding figured in a crash near No. 2 bridge, route 15, north of Williamsport.

FIRE DESTROYS LARGE STORE, N. Y. C. STATION AT CLARENCE

BURNED OUT OF JOB

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Youth Burned About Face When Showered By Exploding Can of Tar

L. T. Schmoke, of Rochester, N. Y., a visitor with relatives in Clarence early this week, didn't have to delay his return to his work as telegraph operator at Rochester, N. Y., after all.

Sportsmen To Plan Program For Year

Election of officers and preparation of a program for the coming year will feature a meeting of the Bellefonte Sportsmen's Association to be held in the Court House at 7:15 o'clock Monday evening, January 22.

All members, as well as sportsmen residing in neighboring communities having no sportsmen's groups, are cordially invited to be present.

Among the matters to come up for discussion are: selection of a date for the annual Fish Fry; sportsmen's opinions of present game preserves; local anglers' sentiments regarding sucker fishing laws; advisability of starting a local fly tying class; opinion regarding special wardens, appointed without pay from the rank and file of sportsmen; advisability of holding a dog show in Bellefonte, and many other proposed projects.

Garman Hotel Room Damaged By Fire

The living room of the Mrs. Wynne N. Hill apartment in the Garman Hotel, East High street, was badly damaged by fire about 3:20 o'clock Sunday morning. Although the exact cause of the blaze is unknown, it is believed to have originated from defective wiring in a radio.

Woman Injured In Motor Crash

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Continue Drive For Library Appropriation

The Library and Historical Corporation of Centre county is asking the County Commissioners for an appropriation to carry on a County Library 75 per cent of this amount will be added by the State and, in addition, 2000 volumes will be put into circulation.

This will supplement the High school libraries and supply books to other outside schools.

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General Store and Club House Consumed in \$40,000 Blaze

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In one of the most disastrous fires to occur in Clarence in many years, three buildings in the business district of that community were burned to the ground and several nearby buildings were damaged, late Tuesday afternoon.

The buildings destroyed were the large frame structure housing the Frank Jurchik general store and three apartments; the New York Central Railroad passenger and freight station, and the building housing the Young Democratic Club. Three families were made homeless when the apartments were destroyed.

Approximately half of the estimated total loss of \$40,000 is covered by insurance, a check-up yesterday revealed. The cause of the fire has not been determined.

One person was severely burned as an aftermath of the fire which for a time threatened to wipe out the business district of the mining community. He was George Zimmerman, aged 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Zimmerman, of Clarence, who was burned about the face about 8 o'clock Tuesday night. The youth was poking around among the smoldering ruins of the Jurchik store when a can of tar, filled with gas from the action of the heat on

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Mrs. Rookelly was riding in a car driven by Fred Wisnosky, Jr., of Winburne, enroute from funeral services at State College.

Both the Wisnosky car and the truck, driven by J. Stanley Eagler, of Lewistown, skidded while rounding the curve, and the front of the truck struck the rear of the sedan. Damage to the truck was placed at \$150, and to the sedan, \$200.

Mrs. Rookelly's husband died in the Philadelphia Hospital, Tuesday of last week as the result of injuries received the day before when he fell while working on a WPA project on Moshannon mountain. The Rookellys formerly lived in Bellefonte.

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A most attractive introductory offer to get the public acquainted with the new device is made in the Pifer store advertisement on another page of this issue. Through the offer you can visit the store, make a recording and take the record home with you at a surprisingly low cost.

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