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VOLUME 58. NUMBER 9.	The second rest of the second state of	and a subject of	BELLEFONTE, PA., THUR	SDAY, MARCH 2, 1939.		SUBSC	RIPTION-\$1.50 PER YEAR
ACC	EPT	\$10	7,09	6 FO	R FI	REL	OSS
SCHOOL BOARD 91.5% OF TOT Effect Settlement of \$91,000	A. INSURANCE	Driver Held After Fatal Motor Crash	In a word picture of Bellefonte as it was fifty years ago, Harry C. Yeager, of North Spring street, prominent local merchant, verbally	E GAY NINETIES	Aid In Move		TS REACHED MINAL CASES
on Building; \$16,096 on Equipment BOARD WILL NOT PAY FOR LOST CLOTHING	Colves In 10 Days On the Shook Farm	Coroner's Jury Finds West Decatur Man Guilty of Negligence CONFLICTING REPORTS	stripped a half century of time from this community and showed members of the Retail Division of the Bellefonte Chamber of Com- merce what life here was like in the 90's. Mr. Yeager was the principal	the shoe business on May 30, 1889 when the late A. C. Mingle sent for him and offered him a job. After a brief review of the shoe business of those days in comparison with present day conditions. Mr. Yeager	Gov. Arthur James' Challenge Accepted by State Cham- ber of Commerce "PENNSYLVANIA DAY"	Bookbags Scheduled For Big Comeback At Bellefonte High	Second Trial on Pater- nity Charge DOCKET IS CLEARED
Stock, Sollenberger Praised for Efficient Work Since School Fire	fecundity has been established on the fertile 120-acre dairy farm of C. D. Shook, of Spring Mills, R. D. During the past ten days seven cows in Mr. Shook's herd of 47 purebred Ayrshires have given birth	LEAD TO DECISION Mrs. Amanda Stone Victim of Car-Truck Accident Near	monthly dinner and meeting at the American Legion home Tuesday	have seen it. The last house on East Bishop street, he said, was the one now oc- cupied by M. E. Rumberger, about half-way up the hill. The O A.	PROGRAM BEGINS TODAY	Bookstraps and cloth book bags- almost forgotten items in present day school life—are scheduled for a come-back in Bellefonte, it be- came known here Monday. At a mass meeting of Bellefonte high school students at the State theatre preparatory to re-opening	IN ONE-DAY SESSION Charles Schad Awarded \$1100 Damages From County; Asked \$40,000
a special meeting late yesterday af- ternoon, unanimously accepted of- fers by insurance companies for damages resulting from the fire at the High school building, February 13. George Hazel, president of the Board, presided at the session.	The grandmother and the daugh- ter each bore a bull and a heifer	Samuel Parsons, West Decatur, was found guilty of contributory	Charles Miller, who recently re-	country." as were Humes woods, the Hughes athletic field and the Com- munity athletic field. Gottileb Haag conducted the Haag Hotel, operated a distillery at Pleas- ant Gap, and had a meat route in	A ringing challenge to all Penn- sylvania business men to cooperate to "show Pennsylvania a road out of the business recession" was sounded today by the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, echoing the appeal recently made by Governor	the high school, Supervising Prin- cipal E. K. Stock announced that no storage space for textbooks is available at the Academy building and that students, therefore, will have to accept individual responsi- bility for their books. As Mr. Stock suggested that cloth	
The Board agreed to accept \$94 000 in settlement for damage to the building, which was insured for \$100,000, and \$16,096 to cover dam- age to equipment, which was in- sured at \$17,000. The building was insured for ap-	the score by showing up one morn- ing with two bull calves. Twins seem to run in the strain, for the cow identified in the above paragraph as the daughter has had four sets of twins in the past eight years.	count's eighth highway fatality. The jury's decision was, reached after testimony of five witnesses was heard. Allegedly contradictory statements given to the state motor police and the statement Parsons gave the		Classes Resumed	Arthur H. James. The challenge was contained in a letter sent to every Chamber of Commerce in the Commonwealth over the signature of William F. James, President of the Philadel- phia Chamber, in which the busi-	bookbags be used in carrying books to and from home a heavy groan arose from the packed theatre.	iy listed for trial at the regular Civil sessions next week, were heard. Calvin Albright, of State College, granted a new trial on a charge of f. and b. was found guilty by a jury
cent of the total insurance carried. Considering both items together,	Shook farm are two bulls purchased some time ago from the Sycamore Farms, near Philadelphia, well	of the accident which happened on the Port Matilda mountain road Friday night when the car he was driving struck a truck, led to the jury's decision. Parsons told the jury he and Mrs.	Outstanding Players Who "Live Right" Ira Thomas, for 32 years baseball player, coach and scout, and for	Students on Effective "Fire Drill" Two Weeks Ago Monday morningtwo weeks to the hour after the outbreak of the	ness groups were urged "to join in a cooperative effort to encourage and assist business in this effort to put the state on the high road to recovery." Locally the challenge is to be an- swered in many stores and business	Although there are fifty-two "Girl Scout Weeks" in the year for the average scout, the week of March 12-18 has been set aside as an oc- casion to celebrate the twenty-sev- enth year of Girl Scouting This an-	was directed to post a \$500 bond. and in default was committed to jail. Albright was tried in December and was found guilty, but was granted a new trial upon a techni-
school property. Members of the Board, meeting at the offices of Supervising Principal Earl K. Stock in the Spring street	County Home Worker Is Painfully Injured Asbury T. Pletcher, aged about 49, of Howard, a carpenter employed on the construction of the Centre	seat with Parsons at the time of the crash, had left State College Friday afternoon between 4 and 4:30 o'clock and stopped at Port Matilda for refreshments at a gar- age. According to Parsons they left	nual Father and Son banquet at the Y. M. C. A. Friday night, de- clared that the greatest need of big	high school building—same 700 stu- dents assembled at the State thea- tre. Bellefonte, to resume their studies. After receiving instructions as to schedules, regulations and clusses, the student body proceeded	places during the week of March 2 to 11, which have been set aside as "Pennsylvania Days." During the week most business men will at- (Continued on page seven) County Sportsmen	niversary week affords a perfect opportunity for an inventory of needs of the girls of scout age. From March 12th to the 18th, the Katz Store of Beliefonte, will place on exhibit in their windows Girl Scout equipment including such	keeper, found guilty by a jury of a charge of larceny by bailee, was given a suspended sentence upon the payment of costs of prosecu- tion, and upon returning the gun which was the cause of the contro-
not anticipated recovering more than \$10,000 at best. The total set- tlement of \$107,096 is a most equit- (Continued from page 7)	County Poor Home, East Howard street, was painfully injured in an accident while at work. Monday afternoon. Mr. Pletcher was carrying a plank along a narrow runway when he fell, the plank striking him on the	(Continued on Page Eight) Work Progressing On County Home	minor league basebail players would be championship material if they gave themselves a chance by 'ab- staining from tobacco, alcohol and	the high school will be conducted until permanent quarters are pro- vided. In opening the meeting at the theatre, Supervising Principal Earl K. Stock congratulated the students	Meet At Howard Approximately 75 sportsmen from all parts of Centre county attended a meeting of the Centre County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs	things as the regular uniforms, books, pamphlets, nature materials, knives, whistles, compasses, camp uniforms, anklets, flashlights, etc. Any of these articles can be pur- chased at this store. During this week a souvenir will be given away	According to the testimony J. C. Hunter, of Stormstown, some time ago borrowed two dollars from Kor- man, leaving a gun as security for the loan. When Hunter later tried to recover the gun by repaying the two dollars, Korman refused to re-
School Directors Hear	back. The injured man was removed	Engineer Reports Steel Work	other bag naons which warp their	tion of the burning building two weeks ago. He pointed out that had (Continued on page four)	in the Howard Methodist Episcopal church last Thursday night. The session was preceded by a "Dutch treat" chicken dinner served by women of the church.	with any Girl Scout article pur-	lease it, claiming he was holding it until Hunter paid a grocery bill of some \$19. Three other cases in which An-

Judge Ivan Walker; Dr. Paul L.

vealed that ligaments in the had been torn. After the examination he was permitted to return Crossman, director of the bureau of instruction, Harrisburg, and Her-bert J. Stockton, president of the expected under the eigenmatances The steel work for the superexpected under the circumstances. structure of Centre county's new Home for the Indigent was completed Monday, Public Works Ad-DREAM ROAD ministration Engineer Howard F. Meixner announced yesterday. Con-struction of the \$231,970 building has been made possible by a Public IS DESCRIBED Administration outright Works grant of \$104,386, the remainder of he cost being met locally. Under the contract between the

for Superstructure is lives, adding that by doing so they have two strikes on those who be-Completed

gin their lives handicapped by vic- Merchandise Mart

Hassall Lose, of Bellefonte, and Charles Stoddart, Jr., of State ColThree other cases in which An-(Continued on page four)

FORMER LOCAL RESIDENT OBSERVES SOTH BIRTHDAY Daniel B. Lebkicher, of Tyrone. well known retired enginemen of the old Tyrone Division was eighty Club Asks Employment of Lo- years of age Monday. Mr. Lebkicher was born in Gillen-town, February 27, 1859, a son of Michael and Mary (Van Horn) Leb-Stone Construction kicher. When he was but six years of age, the family moved to Belle-A plea to the Bellefonte School fonte. Later he resided in Snow Board that the present site be re-Shee, where he was employed in the tained for a new building; that the capacity of trackman for the old structure be of native limestone, Snow Shoe railroad. He went to and that local tradesmen, artisians, Tyrone in 1881 and secured employmechanics and builders be employment on the Tyrone Division as a ed in so far as possible, was made trackman, later hiring as a locomo-Monday night by the Bellefonte tive fireman, finally an engineman, Woman's Club at a meeting in the which position he held until retirement, a continuous service of forty-The request, presented and drawn two years. by the educational committee of the Mr. Lebkicher is a member of the organization, was signed by a large P. R. R. Honor Roll association, of number of club members, and has the Masonic lodge, and he has been been forwarded to the School Board a member of the Bellefonte Lodge No. 153, Odd Fellows, for fifty-five During the business session it Was years. nnounced that the club, aided by More than fifty years ago he was united in marriage with Anna M. Fleck, who passed away two years the Bellefonte Borough Council, will purchase rain coats for the ago. Their union was blessed with three children: Edward, with whom Mrs. E. E. Widdowson, president, expressed her thanks to all mem- he resides; Mary Lebkicher Shope. bers for their contributions and co- of Altoons, and one daughter deceased. There are seven grandperation in making the recent food (Continued on page four) Mr. Lebkicher is enjoying fair health, is a good substantial citizen. Change of Name interested in civic affairs. He has a host of friends who are happy with him on this happy occasion.

State School Directors' Association,

were the principal speakers at the 52nd annual convention of the Centre County Directors' Association, at the Court House last Thursday. F. Glenn Rogers, County Superintendent of Schools, also spoke briefly. More than 100 directors were present.

Devotional exercises conducted by the Rev. L. E. Kline, of Howard. were followed by a reading of the minutes by R. D. Shoemaker, secretary of the organization. George Hazel, of Bellefonte, was re-elected auditor to assist auditors appointed by the county teachers in going over the annual institute accounts.

Officers of the association are as follows: George L. Newman, Milesburg, president; Samuel Z. Miller, Philipsburg, vice president; Thomas Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, and G. Stolz, Howard, vice president; R. D. Shoemaker, State College, secre- the "Dream Highway" and other tary; O. H. McCormick, Spring names. Mills, R. D., treasurer; Rev. Howard L. Wink, Harris township, delegate | is the first built to go through the to state convention.

Nail Could Jail **Commissioners** – But Door Stays Closed

Let's suppose, for purposes of argument, that the Centre County Court House caught fire some evening when a mass meeting was being held in the Court Room.

Let's suppose that as fear-maddened people dashed down the front stairways and arrived at the front door, several were hurt or killed in the rush to get outdoors.

Continuing the supposition, it would be found that for some reason or other only one of the front double doors would open, although the door that failed was Penn District Forest Fire Warden's fitted with a safety bar designed to Association will be held on Friday, release the locks and permit the March 3rd; at 7 p. m., at the Mcdoor to swing outward as soon as Keesport Camp just off route 322,

less person can open the door by effort to be present and have a just bumping against it.

An investigation of the Court House Bruce Sharer, secretary. fire would be held, and if investigators were diligent in their search,

Mailing List to be Corrected newspapers would carry headlines The regular monthly correction Blancy, and Harry A. Corman, Cen-telling of the arrest of the County of The Centre Democrat mailing tre County Director of the Holi-Commissioners, their chief clerk list will be made next week. Our daysburg Production Credit Assoc-and the Court House janitor, on regular schedule called for the cor- jation. Mr. Weaver addressed the charges of tampering with safety rection to be made last week, but meeting, and gave the association devices.

For the investigation would re- disrupted the schedule. Payments Quintin was called upon to explain veal that a large nail has been made on subscriptions during the legislation and various points driven into the mechanism of the next few days will be given credit raised in the discussion. Mr. Blaney safety bar on the door, effectively on the new list. Will your label and Mr. Corman both gave short preventing the safety device from carry a "paid in advance" date? operating

The nail, according to reports, P. O. S. of A. Play at Milesburg was driven in place some time ago. It seemed that people were always Lodge, No. 230, of Milesburg, will The Rasmussen Evangelistic par-opening the wrong door upon leav-ing the Commissioners' nice Court hall. Milesburg, on Friday evening, services to be held every evening ers and evangelists from Ohio, will

those dignitaries. P. S. If you hurry you may still be able to see the nail jammed in the safety bar machinery just above where the door had a knob. The door had a knob. The door had a knob. The safety bar machinery is the set of the play which is entitied "When the safety bar machinery just above and 10 cents for children. The safety bar machinery is a porter. The safety bar machinery is a porter. The safety bar machinery is a porter. The door had a knob. The safety bar machinery is a porter. The safety bar m

South Penn Highway to be Marvel of Modern Engineering, Club Speaker Reports ready for use by September 7, 1939.

J. E. Kaulfuss, professor of Highministration program directed by Lock Haven. way Engineering at Penn State, Administrator Harold L. Ickes, aimspoke at the meeting of the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club on Tuesday on the new road being built between work as quickly as possible. All the the artillery regiment, but their Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, and workmen employed by the Berwick selection will not be made until af-Lumber & Supply Company, who is ter careful study, Col. Benjamin C. variously termed the "All-Weather," building the project, must be paid prevailing wage rates under Public 103rd reported.

This highway, the speaker stated Works Administration requirements The extent to which this and other Public Works Administration mountains intsead of over them. R

will be a four-lane road, split into two parts with at least a ten-foot strip between, to take care of the Farm Loan Group opposing lines of traffic. There will be about seven miles of tunnels in the one hundred sixty mile stretch of road and they will be the last word in engineering. These tunnels were built originally for the

James J. Markle Chosen Diproposed South Penn ratiroad and rector of County Unit; Ward are fine examples of good engin-eering. They will be lighted, ventil-C. Krape Reelected Pres. ated, will have fire fighting apparatus and telephone facilities Approximately 30 farm men and

This new highway will have a maximum grade of 3 per cent. There Thursday of last week for the anwill be few curves and there will nual meeting of the Centre County be at least one thousand feet vision National Farm Loan Association, at which the business of the organiaround curves. All the best railroad (Continued on page four) zation was reviewed and explained.

James J. Markle, of State Col-**Forest Fire Wardens to Meet** lege, was elected for a term of three The regular spring meeting of the years as director of the association Other directors are: Ward C. Krape, Bellefonte, R. D. 2; Harry W. Frantz, Centre Hall, R. D.; Gilbert

C. Walte, Port Matilda, R. D. 1, and the bar was pushed. It's a good de- near Camp Rayona. Movies, speakvice, that safety bar. Even an arm- ers, and eats. Let us make a special Furnace Among the visitors at the meeting good meeting before the spring fire

were: F. P. Weaver, who is director But let's continue the supposition. season. K. B. Bigelow, president. of the Federal Land Bank of Bal-

timore: Walter P. Quintin, repre-sentative of the Federal Land Bank of Baltimore; County Agent R. C. The regular monthly correction Blancy, and Harry A. Corman, Cen-

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Annual Meeting

romen gathered at Bellefonte on

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Evangelistic Party Here

Thomas was introduced to the audience by toastmaster Harry Taylor. His address was full of in-

teresting baseball anecdotes, many fonte Chamber of Commerce is (Continued on page four)

Local Troop May Be Woman's Club. Affected By Revision

In a contemplated revision of the booths at the Mart, at which will all fishing for a three-day period Centre County Institution District, National Guard of the various be displayed a wide variety of mer- prior to the opening of the trout Pennsylvania, and the Public Works states in compliance with the Na- chandise. A half-hour style show season would not become a law this Administration, the Home for the tional Defense Act of 1920, Machine each evening; a floor show, and year.

Indigent will be completed and Gun Troop, Bellefonte, a cavalry music by the 13-piece Keystonairs unit, may be affected, it became orchestra of Bellefonte is planned. dens of the county were present at This was a strict requirement under known last Thursday night at a Admission to the Mart will be 15 the meeting, and were introduced the fast-moving Public Works Ad- meeting of 103rd Cavalry officers at cents. Further announcements are during the business session. Mr.

Six of the present cavalry troops future by Robert Woodring, chair- tures of the State College junior ing at putting men and materials to of Pennsylvania will be shifted into man of the committee in charge.

> Socialized Medicine Jones, commanding officer of the Is Seen As Menace

Captain Herbert M. Beezer, in "Socialized Medicine" was the charge of the local troop, who was subject of a talk given by Dr. Le- would be held at either Spring Mills among the officers attending the Roy Locke, well known Bellefonte or Millheim. meeting, declared that the reorgan-

Surgeon and member of the Centre County Medical Society, before members of the Rotary Club here Milesburg Mon In ization plan is only in the formative state and that definite aunounce-

ments are not expected until someon Monday. Dr. Locke spoke in opposition to

Construction Under measures introduced at Harrisburg and Washington which would tend Way at Sewage Plant to socialize the practice of medi-

cine through various forms of sickness insurance. Most of the cost of Construction at the site of Bellesuch insurance would come from fonte's sewage disposal plant, on the upper end of the old Fair the pockets of the working man and his employer. The cost of adminis-Grounds, north of town, is now well

tering such a program, he added. would amount to more than the A large clam shell shovel is digsalaries of the physicians and surging foundations, and drainage ditches and pumps have been in-(Continued on page four)

stalled to clear surface water from the tract. The earth being taken Physician Injured in Fall

from the foundations is being piled Dr. M. A. Kirk, Bellefonte's oldin a bank around the site to serve est physician, has been confined to \$75. as a protective dyke in times of bed at his home on West High

floods. The foundations have been street since Friday night when he staked out, and buildings to house was injured in a fall down a stairtools and offices have been erected. way. Dr. Kirk was ascending the stairs and had nearly reached the

Ellery T. Parsons, Pennsylvania Fire Damages Home Near State College

and receiving a number of sprains and bruises. He was rendered unconscious by the fall, but soon regained consciousness. While his in-juries are not of a serious nature McCormick farm, west of the College golf course. State College, was they have been causing the fimily extinguished by members of the Al-

pha Fire Company about midnight Tuesday night before much damage resulted. and friends some concern because Dr. Kirk has not been in good health in recent months and be-

Quick work on the part of the firemen and the fact that a metal roof confined the flames to the inside of the structure, were said to

lege, delegates, gave reports of the Planned For March State Federation meeting in Har-

risburg and the district meeting in The Retail Division of the Belle-Altoona, respectively. Fish Commissioner Harry Weber planning a Merchandise Mart, to be of Philipsburg, outlined the Fish

held in the Y. M. C. A. on March Commission's program for the com-21, 22 and 23, with the aid of the ing season predicting plenty of fish cal Labor: Prefers Native for the county streams, Mr. Weber

Benner Mansion

a committee to work for the restor-

ation of the old General Benner

torical Society at the Library build-

ing Friday afternoon.

upon the board.

of State College.

Approximately 25 business places stated that the County Federation's will have decorated and illuminated resolution to close trout streams to

Game Protectors and Fish Warexpected to be made in the near Stoddart presented his moving pic-Presbyterian chapel. conservation group "in action.

John Doty, president of the County Federation, had charge of the meeting, which followed the county group's plan to hold a meeting with one of the member organizations at for consideration. least once each month. It was announced that the March meeting

school Safety Patrol. Mishap at Dunnstown

A Milesburg man who became confused at the end of the new road **Society Votes** below Dunnstown collided with an Avis man who was driving on to the

road Monday at noon. Motor police said William Berg of Milesburg, driving toward Lock Haven, falled to make the right turn, when he became confused. His car collided with that of A. Lee to Effect Restoration of Chaimers of Avis, who was turning left from the macadam to the con-

Damage to Berg's car was esti-Changing the name of the organmated at \$15 and to Chalmer's car ization to the Centre County Historical Society, and appointment of

Win Movie Quiz Prizes

I hereby proclaim the week of March 1 to 8 as Elks Americanism

Among the winners of the \$250,-000 Movie Quiz Contest, the results of which were announced in the top when he lost his balance and theatres of the nation Monday night fell to the bottom, suffering a severe was Miss Rac C. Phillips, of 35 Paxlaceration at the back of the head ton street, West Philadelphia, who won a \$1000 prize. Miss Phillips is a native of Lock Haven and was graduated from the Pennsylvania State College in 1936. Mrs. William K. Ulerich, of 222 East Irvin avenue, State College, the only Centre county winner, was awarded a \$10 prize.

cause he is past 83 years of age. PROCLAMATION!

PHILIPSBURG MINER. SUFFERS CRUSHED FOOT

Week and ask the cooperation of near Philipsburg is a patient at this movement. The Philipsburg State Hospital where he was taken after being injured by a coal fall at the Clyde Signed.

H. P. HARRIS. Mayor. Coal Co., owned by Philipsburg bus-iness men, in the Ramey-Ferndale

Recovering at Hospital

County Historical Group Acts Complete New Law **Offices at Philipsburg**

One of the most attractive and best equipped law offices in the entire state, the Thompson-Baird offices in the Moshannon building Philipsburg, have had the final touches put on the interior of the now completed work.

homestead along Spring creek fea-The new spacious offices house three private offices, a large receptured a meeting of the Linn Hision room and a well-equipped library.

Although the change of name The private offices have been laid was not definitely completed at the out in a dark brown and cream harmeeting, the fifty or more persons mony pattern with mahogany furpresent unanimously passed a moniture blending in with the color scheme. Modern to the last degree, tion authorizing the board of directors to effect the change, which the office has a special ceiling mais a more or less compulsory order terial which eliminates all blaring Great interest in the preservation echo while the only communication system of its kind in this region inof the Benner mansion was evidencsures privacy in telephone convered at the gathering, and as a result sations

of a lengthy discussion George R. The book-lined library which Meek, president, named the following committee to urge State legislagrows larger monthly with the latest books and leaflets on law has a to sponsor a bill providing for change of color scheme, blue gray the transfer of the Benner Home walls offsetting a lively colored and approximately 20 acres of ground from the State Welfare Defloor.

The new offices were laid out for efficient work and comfort by Altoona architects.

man; Clarence Hamilton, Jack H. Yeager ang Paul M. Dubbs, all of Collision at Spring Mills Bellefonte, and Prof. T. I. Mairs,

Cars driven by W. T. Biddle, of

Special Evangelistic Services at Highland

have saved the home from destruction.



time after April 1.

under way.