

# SEEK RAISE FOR POSTMASTERS

## 26 OFFICIALS IN COUNTY AFFECTED BY PROPOSED BILL

Fourth and Third Class Offices Would Benefit if Measure is Approved

### POSSIBILITY OF PAY RISE FOR BELLEFONTE

Reclassification Bill Would Entitle Bellefonte to More, and Better Service

Salary increases would be granted to postmasters of twenty-six fourth class postoffices in Centre county and of third class postoffices grossing less than \$2100 a year, under terms of a bill introduced in the House by Representative M. A. Romjue of Missouri, The Centre Democrat was informed yesterday.

Salaries at the following fourth class offices would be increased: Aaronsburg, Blanchard, Boalsburg, Coburn, Fleming, Hubersburg, Julian, Kato, Lemont, Livonia, Madisburg, Martha Furnace, Milesburg, Monument, Moshannon, Oak Hill Station, Orono, Pine Glen, Pine Grove Mills, Pleasant Gap, Powlton, Rebersburg, Sandy Ridge, Smulton, Wingate, and Woodward. Postmaster salaries there in most instances would surpass postal receipts.

Postal officials, favorable to the bill, believe that salaries in smaller postoffices, or those grossing less than \$2100, should be increased. The Postoffice Department, they claim, is now "breaking even" and could afford to take a slight loss to increase wages.

Another postal bill, introduced by Representative Michael J. Bradley of Pennsylvania, would have a benefit.

### Yor. Proposes To Protect Its Radio Fans by Ordinance

A maximum fine of \$25 fine or 30 days in jail for those who refuse to correct conditions on their premises which cause interference for radio reception in their neighborhoods is proposed in an ordinance introduced in City Council at York, Pa., by Finance Director John L. Snyder.

The ordinance will apply only to those interferences "which may be reasonably expected to be corrected at an expense not to exceed \$15."

It provides also that the offender be given notice in writing.

### Is Named State Nurse In County

Miss Mary Siegal, R.N., Has Had More Than 20 Years' Experience

Miss Mary Siegal R. N. of Spring Mills, last week was named as State Nurse to replace Mrs. Jean Noll Harris, resigned. The appointment becomes effective on April 1.

Miss Siegal, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Siegal, of Spring Mills, has had more than 20 years of practical nursing, including service overseas during the World War, and comes into the position with the highest of recommendations. She is a graduate of the Gregg Township High School and received her early training in her profession as the nurses' training school of the Lock Haven Hospital.

Following her registration as a nurse, Miss Siegal entered the United States Army nursing corps, and during the war saw duty both at home and abroad. She returned to the United States in 1920, and became superintendent of hospital at Herrin, Illinois, remaining in that position for four years.

In 1924 she located in Tyrone where for the next ten years she was employed as a school and public health nurse. Resigning in 1934, Miss Siegal spent the next year traveling in Europe, and upon her return became a private duty nurse, making her headquarters at her parental home in Spring Mills.

### Baseball Club Retains Officers

Aumiller and Kelleher Will Guide Destinies of Bellefonte Titans

Fred B. Healy was re-elected president of the Bellefonte Baseball Club at the annual reorganization meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Monday afternoon.

Other officers re-elected for the ensuing year were: James R. Hughes, vice president; William W. Sieg, treasurer, and Paul Beaver, secretary. Directors re-named were: Marlin E. Rumberger, Jesse H. Gamm, Ralph Dale and L. Francis. One new member elected to the board is Charles Kellerman.

By unanimous decision Glenn Aumiller, member of the Bellefonte High school faculty, was re-elected manager of the club, and Bud Kelleher was named as his assistant. Aumiller led the local club to the Central Pennsylvania League title last season.

James Beaver was named as acting business manager.

At the meeting it was brought out that a special effort will be made this year to develop some of the younger material which has been appearing on the local sandlots. The club within the next few weeks will ask all local players to appear for tryouts, regardless of whether or not they have ever played with.

### J. Will Mayes, 66, Dies At Hospital

Funeral Tomorrow For Prominent Howard Citizen; Was Retired Marble Dealer

Death wrote the final chapter in the history of one of the county's prominent families at 4:12 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when J. Will Mayes, for more than four decades resident of Howard's foremost citizens, passed away at the Centre County Hospital, Bellefonte. He was 66 years old.

A noted breeder of blooded Guernsey cattle; for many years proprietor of a marble business in Howard, and active in fraternal, agricultural, financial and church organizations, Mr. Mayes' death removes from Howard, and from the wide sphere in which his influence was a dominating factor, a man of outstanding merits and abilities.

Until late in February Mr. Mayes had been in fair health, and was able to attend to his usual duties.



### Business Men Prepare For Exposition

Merchandise to be Displayed; Samples Given at 25 Booths in YMCA

STYLE SHOW WILL BE FEATURE ATTRACTION

Event Opens March 22 With Daily Change of Entertainment Program

Carpenters, electricians and decorators will begin work Monday morning on the task of transforming the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. gymnasium into an appropriate setting for the three-day merchandise exposition to be held there next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The exposition, the first of its kind ever held in this community, is being sponsored by the Retail Division of the local Chamber of Commerce, and at 25 booths to be erected around the walls of the spacious gymnasium will be found displays of virtually every kind of merchandise sold in Bellefonte. These booths, leased by local merchants, will be attractively decorated for the occasion and an attendant will be on duty to answer any questions, and, in most instances, to distribute free samples which will be a feature of the exposition.

The doors of the exposition room will open at 7:30 o'clock each evening and approximately one hour.

### Samuel R. Noll Buried At Gap

U. S. Naval Academy Chaplain in Charge of Last Rites For Midshipman

Impressive funeral services were held at the Pleasant Gap Methodist Episcopal church, Tuesday afternoon last week, for Midshipman Samuel R. Noll, aged 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Noll, of Pleasant Gap, who died at his parental home last Monday morning after a three months' illness with a complication of diseases.

The funeral marked the first time in at least ten years that seven Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., have been called to travel to the county to attend a funeral.

The six students were accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Thomas, chaplain at the Academy, who was in charge of the services. The Rev. B. F. Henry, of Pleasant Gap, assisted.

In addition to the six Midshipmen, the body was escorted from the one of the church and later to the Pleasant Gap cemetery by a firing squad from Machine Gun.

### Zion Men Unhurt As Truck Hits Live Wire

Eliop Gontzel and Edward Lutz, of Zion, escaped injury or death early Monday morning when the Gontzel truck became entangled in a live wire which struck and later caused to fall across the road near the Zion cemetery.

According to reports, after the wire caught in the springs of the machine, a shower of sparks resulted. The men fell no spark. They immediately stopped. The machine and the men were unhurt. The scene to prevent mishaps to other motorists while the other notified the West Penn Power Company. In a short time the damage was repaired and traffic restored.

The weekend ice storm caused some slight damage to power and telephone lines, but because of recent replacements, the lines are generally in good condition and able to withstand all ordinary weather hazards.

### Former County Man Killed In Southwest

While returning from his work in Sacoma, New Mexico, Percy Gardner, son of the late John Dolan Gardner, of Curtin township, was killed February 28. In the car two others met their death, one of them being Grover Gardner, of Johnsonburg.

Percy Gardner was a successful printing contractor and had just begun work on a new contract at the United States School of Mines. He leaves a widow, a son Marvin, and a daughter, Evelyn, both of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Also surviving are two sisters: Mrs. Cora Lyons, of Howard, and Mrs. Clara Hare, of Jersey Shore; and two brothers, Clayton and Henry, of Philadelphia.

Grover Gardner leaves an only sister, Mrs. Abbie Deaters, of Johnsonburg.

### Dean R. L. Watts Speak at Pleasant Gap

On Thursday, March 16, the Pleasant Gap Community Brotherhood and the Sportsmen of the town will hear an address, "Spot With the Dry Fly," by Dean R. L. Watts, of Penn State. The meeting is called for 8 o'clock in the Grange Hall, Pleasant Gap, and all men in the community are cordially invited to attend.

Money loaned to the club by the South Bend Bath Company and entitled "Search for the Bronzback," will be shown. Forty-one "Future Sportsmen" of the community are expected to attend in a body.

Dean Watts, an experienced angler and a witty talker, ties his own flies and leaders and catches fish with the specimens of his own art.

### Would Appropriate \$36,000 to Hospital

An appropriation bill asking the sum of \$36,000 for the Centre County Hospital at Bellefonte has been introduced in the state House of Representatives by Assemblyman Kenneth G. Haines.

The sum will be for the 1939-41 biennium. The state grant to the institution for the past biennium was \$29,700.

Squires and Constables To Meet The annual meeting of the Squires and Constables of Centre county will be held at the Penn Belle Hotel at 11:30 a. m. on Wednesday, March 22. The speakers will be Judge Ivan Walker and District Attorney M. W. Gettig. The meeting will be followed by a dinner.

### Ice Causes Accident East of Woodward

Barbara Hauser, of Hollidaysburg, received injuries about the right leg and suffered shock early Sunday afternoon when the car in which she was riding and another machine crashed head-on near the county line east of Woodward.

The cars were driven by J. J. Rollins, Jr., of Hollidaysburg, and Robert Ross, of near Centre Hall, and the mishap was caused by ice on the highway. Total damage was about \$150.



### Rev. J. B. Mays Is Transferred

Evangelical Pastor Here is Replaced by Rev. H. H. Jacobs, of Danville

After serving as pastor of the Bellefonte Evangelical church for five years, the Rev. John B. Mays has been transferred by the Central Pennsylvania Conference recently held in Carlisle, to the Trinity Evangelical church, Williamsport.

The Rev. H. H. Jacobs, of Danville, has been assigned to succeed the Rev. Mr. Mays in Bellefonte, after having served as pastor at Idaville, Wayland, N. Y., Liberty, Lycoming, and Danville.

Rev. Mr. Jacobs and family will move into the parsonage on Willowbank street some time next week, when Rev. Mr. Mays and family

### Bellefonte Youth Charged With Forgery

Araigned before Justice of the Peace Harold Cowher, of West Bush, Friday afternoon, Harry A. People, Jr., aged 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. People, of East Lamb Street, Bellefonte, was committed to jail in default of \$500 bail. He is charged with issuing forged checks.

Police were arrested by Chief of Police Harry Dukeman as he attempted to pass a check at the Big Trout Inn, South Water Street.

In a detailed statement given in District Attorney Musser W. Gettig's office, Friday, People is reported to have admitted passing the following forged checks: one for \$8.75 drawn on the First National Bank, State College, and payable to Daniel Farrell. The check was endorsed by Daniel Farrell, who Fogie identified as a character in a book of fiction. This was the check he attempted to pass at the Big Trout Inn. Another check for \$4.50, signed H. I. Stewart and endorsed by James Knox was cashed at the Brown Boot Shop. The youth also admitted having a worthless check cashed at the Bellefonte Hardware Company store, in the amount of \$6.50.

### Schools Face Major Crisis

County Superintendent Outlines Effect of Recent Legislation

With the subject, "County and Local School Development," the superintendent of schools in Centre county, P. Glenn Rogers, addressed the members of the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club Tuesday and presented a picture of development in education in Pennsylvania and the grave problems facing school districts and the taxpayers in the near future.

The present developments are largely along administrative lines, but are preparatory to the realization of the full ideal of the consolidation of schools. The theory that the "schools belong to the people" is being discarded and, in accord with the ruling of former attorney general Margiotti, the "school directors are the agents of the state."

Pennsylvania is moving rapidly toward the concentration of all authority over the schools in the state government.

For a long time, Superintendent Rogers said, we have been told that our school buildings are out of date, the courses of study do not meet present day social conditions, the administrative units are too small, and pupils are not getting the beneficial education should provide. There.

### Soy Bean Movies Create Interest

Processing Plant for Versatile Crop May Be Built at Jersey Shore

Centre County business men, farmers and their wives regarded ineluctable weather conditions and packed the American Legion Assembly hall in Bellefonte, Monday night, to see and hear the talking picture reels which extol the virtues of Soy Beans.

Soy Beans are not a recent discovery. China's Emperor, Shenxung in 2838 B. C. commended this crop, which has served the Oriental farmer so well that combined with rice, these two plants constitute a major food.

### Encouraging Report of NYA

Part time employees of the National Youth Administration have just completed painting of woodwork and equipment at the armory of 103rd Machine Gun Company on Bishop Street road. The work was in charge of sergeants Kenneth Walker and Paul Fanning, and Captain Herbert Beezer has pronounced it "a good job."

The completion marks another high point in the effort of NYA to give as much and varied work experience as possible to unemployed youth, at the same time insulating proper work habits and making them more employable.

This is the same crew that was thrust into the recent school emergency and was engaged in "sprucing up" the Academy preparatory to its occupation by the Bellefonte high school. A few NYA employees are still engaged on "the hill" in charge of O. P. Sollenberger. In addition to furnishing employment to needy youths, this project saved the school district a considerable sum, the speed with which the project was arranged in forty eight hours, testifies to the elasticity and management of NYA.

High water has made it impossible to continue the stream improvement job on Spring creek near the Lamb street bridge. This will be financed by NYA as soon as conditions in adjacent fields. No one was injured in either of the mishaps, which happened a short distance this side of Snow Shoe.

## TWO BLANCHARD MEN SPOT FUGITIVE, MAY GET REWARD

Amateur Sleuths Identify 'Line Up' Photo With Stranger Near Howard

### SUSPECT OFFERS NO RESISTANCE TO ARREST

Man Wanted in New York State For Forgery, Assault and Escape

Two Blanchard residents are in line to divide a reward of \$100 offered by a detective magazine for the apprehension of a fugitive from the Delaware County jail at Waverly, New York.

The amateur sleuths are Charles Williams and Edward Somers, who until recently conducted a general store at Blanchard.

Because they noticed a strong similarity between a man they had seen in the vicinity, and a photograph of an escaped convict from the Waverly jail, published in the "Line-up" of a detective magazine, William McKinley Curtis, aged 42, is again in the custody of police.

### Justice Kephart Is Speaker Here

President of State Bar Association Also Speaker at Meeting of County Group

Centre County Bar members, their wives and members of the legal fraternity from nearby counties, numbering more than one hundred in all, assembled at the Penn Belle Hotel Friday night for a dinner and meeting sponsored by the Centre County Bar Association. Speakers and guests of honor were Robert T. McCracken, president of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and John W. Kephart, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.

Former Judge M. Ward Fleming, president of the county unit, presided, while arrangements for the dinner were prepared by a committee headed by J. Thomas Mitchell, of Bellefonte.

Many of the guests introduced to the dinner by Judge Fleming included:

Y. M. C. A.	6,000
Centre County Hospital	5,000
Community Athletic Assn.	1,000
Boy Scouts	1,000
Girl Scouts	950
Crippled Children	450
Logan Fire Company	300
Undine Fire Company	300
A. M. E. Church	300
Salvation Army	250
Associated Charities	150
Millsburg Fire Company	75

The Budget was adopted and election of officers was held Tuesday.

### BHS Band Concert Tomorrow Night

The annual second-semester concert of the 50-piece Bellefonte High School Band will be held in the social rooms of the Methodist Episcopal church tomorrow, St. Patrick's Day, at 7:30 p. m., with band leader, Harold Wien directing.

A silver offering will be asked and the funds will be used to aid Chinese refugees. Robert Dinges is librarian for the band, while Gilbert Dawson is manager.

The program for the concert follows:

Fritz-March—Jewell  
Sabethorn-Morn—Organ Voluntary

Sommambula—Clarinet Solo  
Solist—Thornton  
Soloist—Glen Yalmont  
Lustspiel—Overture—Keeler-Bels  
Under the Double Eagle—March  
Intermission  
The American Patrol—Mecham  
The Blue Danube—Waltz—Strauss  
The Sunny South—Waltz—Lampe  
Musical Film—March—Jewell  
The Star Spangled Banner—arranged by Barnard

### Former Reich Member Speaks

Rotary Guest Warns Democracies to Guard Against Foreign "isms"

Warning American citizens that if they cherish the personal, political and religious liberty of this country today they must guard those liberties with eternal vigilance against propaganda spread throughout all democratic nations by emissaries of totalitarian states such as Germany, Russia and Italy, Gerhart H. Seger, a former member of the German Reichstag who spent six terrifying months in a Nazi concentration camp, addressed members of the Bellefonte Rotary Club on Monday noon.

Mr. Seger believes that one way in which Hitler's encroachment upon other lands can be stopped is, not by war, but by means of propaganda from this and other democratic nations, to offset that being spread by the dictator nations.

Although he said he was not proud of the fact, the speaker stated our school buildings are out of date, the courses of study do not meet present day social conditions, the administrative units are too small, and pupils are not getting the beneficial education should provide. There.

### Olson, Walker Win Elks' Essay Prizes

Prizes offered by the Bellefonte Elks Lodge for the best 1000-word essays on the subject "Americanism," were awarded to Miss Helen M. Olson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leif A. Olson, of West Curtin street, and Richard Walker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Walker, of East Curtin street, it was announced yesterday by William Yates, chairman of the Elks' essay committee.

The local club originally offered a first prize and a second prize, but when the judges decided that both Miss Olson and Mr. Walker's essays merited first prizes, each writer was awarded \$4 in cash. The contest was sponsored by the Elks in connection with that lodge's nationwide "Americanism" week program.

### School Returns To Routine Basis

Stock Outlines Progress of Reconstruction; Fire Drills Held at Academy

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A mass of detail, most of it arising from the recent high school fire, occupied the attention of the Bellefonte School Board at a regular meeting Monday night at the armory building on North Spring street. The meeting date was one month to the day after the blaze which seriously crippled the borough's school system.

A report by Supervising Principal Earl K. Stock indicated that thoroughgoing steps have been taken to eliminate fire danger at the Bellefonte Academy, where the high

### Observes Eighty-Fifth Birthday

ing held at her home in Snow Shoe, Sunday, when most of her children and many of her grandchildren were present to celebrate the important event.

Hale, hearty and active, Mrs. Walker retains a keen interest in her family and in her household duties. She does all of her own baking, delights in her hobby of fancy needlework, and performs many other chores most persons of her age are forced to relinquish.

Mrs. Walker was born at Snow Shoe on March 10, 1854, went to Snow Shoe at the age of 17 years and has lived there ever since. Most of the following children were present for the family celebration, Sunday: H. W. Walker, Massillon, O.; Mrs. E. N. Irwin, of Somerset; W. S. Walker, of Bellefonte; L. E. Walker, of West Winfield, N. Y.; W. G. Croy, of Johnstown, and Mrs. J. M. Gilliland and Miss Edna Walker, of Snow Shoe. There are also 20 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Her husband, the late Lucian Walker, passed away about 44 years ago.

Late Sunday afternoon Mrs. Walker accompanied her daughter, Mrs. E. N. Irwin to the Irwin family home at Somerset, where she will spend two or three weeks.

### Woman's Club Rummage Sale

The Bellefonte Woman's Club will hold a rummage sale, Saturday, April 1 in the Bush Arcade, High street. Anyone wishing to contribute articles for the sale is asked to have them delivered to the vacant store room in the Bush Arcade, Friday, March 31 between 1 and 5 p. m.

### Special Announcement

A Sacred Concert will be given by the orchestra of United Brethren church of Tyrone in Port Matilda Presbyterian church, Thursday, March 23, at 8 p. m. This presentation is under the auspices of the Presbyterian Missionary Society.

### Deer Hunters To Meet

The annual meeting of the Deer Hunters Association of Centre county will be held at the Penn Belle Hotel on Friday evening, March 24, at 8:30. Prof. E. J. Anderson, of the Pennsylvania State College, will speak and will show 2 reels of motion pictures.

### NAMED ASSESSOR

The Centre County Commissioners last week named G. A. Spearly, of Coleville, as assessor in Spring township to succeed Caleb Miller, who resigned in accordance with the ruling prohibiting WPA employees from holding political offices.