

## DEER KILL 'FAR'; 4 MEN INJURED

### TWO IN SERIOUS CONDITION; 1 HIT IN MISTAKE FOR GAME

Yarnell Man Gets Largest  
Buck Reported; Had  
30-Point Antlers

Don Sampsel, 25, Zion,  
Shot Through Chest  
by Neighbor

KILLING OF BEAR  
BRINGS \$100 FINE

BLOOD TRANSFUSION  
GIVEN AT HOSPITAL

Deer Reported to be in  
Fine Condition; Pop-  
ulation Small

Woodycrest Hunter is  
Struck in Eye by  
Glancing Shot

A survey of Centre county game  
reports yesterday, as the first week  
of the 1939 deer season drew near a  
close, revealed:

A fair kill of deer;

Three hunters injured, two by  
bullets and the third by a fall;

Few violations, including one ar-  
rest for the illegal killing of a bear.

A sample of the kind of buck  
hunters are meeting with in Centre  
county was proudly displayed here  
Saturday by Harvey Kissling, of  
Yarnell, who won the envy of thou-  
sands of hunters when he bagged a  
30-point buck near Yarnell. The  
deer's antlers were the finest seen  
here in many a year, although the  
deer was not specially large, tipping  
the scales at 148 pounds. The buck  
was estimated to have been 7 or 8  
years old, and the unusual spread  
of antlers attracted widespread in-  
terest in Bellefonte when Mr. Kiss-  
ling brought the animal here to  
have it weighed.

Lloyd Speer, 26, of Woodycrest,  
near State College, is a patient at  
the Centre County Hospital under-  
going treatment for a bullet wound  
in the region of his left eye. The  
bullet is lodged behind the nose, and  
he is to be taken to Philadelphia  
within the next day or so for treat-  
ment.

Leroy Beckwith, 26, of Hannah  
Furnace, was admitted to the Phil-  
adelphia State Hospital for treatment  
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### 11 Cases Heard By Judge Walker

Pleas of Guilty, Appeals,  
Domestic Relations Mat-  
ters Are Aired

Eleven cases, including two pleas  
of guilty, five appeals from sum-  
mary convictions, and domestic re-  
lations matters were heard by  
Judge Ivan Walker at a special ses-  
sion of Court here last Thursday.

B. M. Trabue, of Washington, D.  
C., entering a plea of guilty to a  
charge of drunken driving, was  
sentenced to pay the costs of pro-  
secution, a fine of \$100 and to serve  
10 days in the County Jail.

Charles E. Coble, Jr., of Spring  
Mills, pleading guilty to a charge  
of failing to support a child, was di-  
rected to pay fine of \$200, the costs,  
and to spend six-months in the  
county jail.

Malcolm B. Reed, of near Belle-  
fonte, who was found guilty by a  
Justice of the Peace of resisting a  
game protector, appealed the deci-  
sion to the Court and was adjudi-  
cated not guilty.

Reed was charged with striking  
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### Another Robbery at Sandy Ridge

State Motor Police at Rockview  
baracks reporting a second robbery  
at Sandy Ridge, yesterday expressed  
the belief that a gang of thieves  
are beginning operations in that  
area.

Monday night the Gulf service  
station was broken into and about  
\$5 in cash and a number of cans  
of anti-freeze and motor oil were  
taken. Officers Ream and Richardson  
are investigating.

On Thanksgiving Day the Jesse  
Spittler tavern was broken into and  
an undisclosed amount of money  
was taken. The loot also included  
some merchandise. The intruders  
were believed to have entered the  
building under cover of noise from  
a passing freight train.

### HOWARD COUPLE ESCAPE INJURY AS FIRE BLOWS OUT

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Robb, of How-  
ard, R. D., narrowly escaped injury  
during the weekend while on a motor  
trip to Baltimore, Md.

About a mile beyond Mexico the  
right front tire blew out, and the  
machine swerved from the road. Mr.  
Robb brought the car to a halt at  
the extreme edge of a high bank, and  
it was on such an angle that gaso-  
line ran out of the tank and pas-  
senger had to stand on the run-  
ning board to keep it from top-  
pling over, while Mrs. Robb was be-  
ing assisted out over the edge of  
the door. A wrecking car from a  
nearby garage pulled the car from  
its precarious position and the re-  
mainder of the trip was unevent-  
ful.

### Lock Haven Man Posts Bond for Court

Frank Passell, 30, of Lock Haven,  
has posted \$500 bail for his ap-  
pearance in court here on charges  
of public indecency.

Passell, arrested last Thursday  
night by Chief of Police Harry  
Dukeman, of Bellefonte, is said to  
have committed indecencies before  
women and girls near the old High  
School building, corner of Alle-  
gheny and Lima Streets. Police  
have been receiving complaints for  
some weeks about similar actions by  
a man who was described as being  
a stranger.

Passell was questioned about the  
attempted attack upon Miss Sara  
Miller, 23-year-old Roopburg girl,  
on Walnut Street, Tuesday  
night of last week, but police re-  
port they are satisfied the man had  
nothing to do with that offense.

The Lock Haven resident was  
given a hearing before Justice of  
the Peace Harold D. Cowher, West  
Bishop Street, Friday afternoon, at  
which time he posted bond.

### SAY MOTHER KILLED BABY

Former Centre County  
Woman Held in Smother-  
ing of 3-Day-Old Infant

Mrs. Nellie Bennison Diehl, 32-  
year-old Hartleton divorcee, for-  
mally charged with smothering her  
infant son on the Green Run Road  
which intersects the Bucktail Trail  
at a point east of Hyter, pleaded  
guilty at a hearing last Thursday  
afternoon to first degree murder  
before Alderman T. Mark Brungard.  
She was committed to the Clin-  
ton county jail without bail to await  
sentencing by the court. Mrs. Diehl,  
mother of three children by her  
marriage with Joseph Diehl, of  
Bellefonte, is a native of the Jack-  
sonville area, this county.

John M. Whear, also of Hartle-  
ton, with whom Mrs. Diehl said she  
had been friendly for about three  
years, was taken to Lock Haven,  
Thursday, and charges of 1. and b.  
preferred against him by the Clin-  
ton county authorities. He is at  
liberty on bail on similar charges in  
Union county.

He was committed to the county  
jail, in default of bail, pending a  
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### 3 HELD IN LOCAL THEFTS

Two Bellefonte Girls And  
Man Plead Guilty; Un-  
der \$1000 Bail Each

A series of crimes in the Belle-  
fonte area is believed by police, to  
be solved with the arrest here last  
weekend of two women and a  
man, who on Friday night at 4  
hearing before Justice of the Peace  
Harold D. Cowher, on West Bishop  
Street, entered pleas of guilty to  
three robberies.

The defendants, who are being  
held in jail under \$1,000 bail each  
are: Mary E. Allison, 23; Larue M.  
Woomer, 25, and James W. Bar-  
lett, 20, all of Bellefonte.

Barlett pleaded guilty to the fol-  
lowing crimes: July 7, breaking in-  
to the D. H. Heim service station,  
North Water Street, and stealing  
cash and merchandise to the value  
of \$30; the same night breaking and  
entering the Angelo Genue Tap-  
and (Continued on Last Page—2nd Sec.)

### To Enforce Coal Peddling Laws

Council Orders Drive on  
Truckers Who Have No  
Borough Licenses

A discussion of the proposed  
street mapping project for Belle-  
fonte by the WPA and decision to  
enforce the borough ordinance re-  
garding retail coal truckers to take  
out licenses, featured a meeting of  
Bellefonte Borough Council here,  
Monday night.

The mapping project was ex-  
plained by an engineer from the  
WPA headquarters at DuBois who  
answered questions asked by Coun-  
cilmembers. No action was taken in  
the matter.

Decision to enforce borough re-  
gulations in regard to retail coal  
truckers was reached after a letter  
from the Brewer and Thomas Coal  
Yards was read. In the letter, the  
owners of the yards declared that  
peddlers of coal were seriously cramp-  
ing their business, and that meet-  
ing of the truckers do not hold borough  
licenses as required by law. The  
coal yards offered to police the  
town, deducting from the license  
fee so collected the expenses in-  
curred in their work, and turning  
the remainder over to the borough  
Council did not favor having the  
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### Santa Free to All

The Santa Claus who will be  
on duty at the Old Bernaline store,  
on South Allegheny Street beginning  
Monday, will be available at any  
time between then and Christmas  
to any church or other organiza-  
tion desiring his services, without  
charge. Mr. Bernaline announced  
yesterday. All group desiring  
Santa to pay them a visit is re-  
quested to make reservations with  
Mr. Bernaline, who will make the  
necessary arrangements.

### HUGE AIRPORT IS BEING BUILT IN CENTRE CO.

Project Scheduled For  
Completion Next Sum-  
mer; Owned by State

500-FOOT RUNWAYS  
NEARLY A MILE LONG

Black Moshannon Port  
Will be One of Finest  
in the East

Virtually unknown to many Cen-  
tre Countians, one of the largest  
and finest airports in the United  
States is now nearing completion  
on a bald and lonely plateau atop  
the Allegheny Mountains in Centre  
County.

The airport, to be known as the  
Black Moshannon Airport and to  
be operated by the Commonwealth  
of Pennsylvania, is about one mile  
from the widely known Black Mos-  
hannon State Park, and lies at a  
point about 20 miles from Belle-  
fonte and 10 miles from Phillipsburg.  
From the air the airport will have  
the appearance of a giant cross,  
with the north-south axis measur-  
ing 4700 feet in length and 500 feet  
in width. The east-west runway  
also 500 feet in width, will have a  
total length of 5600 feet. Most of  
the runways are paved with an as-  
phalt material. From various parts  
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### Local Merchants Adopt New Policy as Yule Season Nears

A survey of Bellefonte yesterday  
revealed that "buy at home" cam-  
paigns conducted here in past years  
are a thing of the past.

Instead, merchants this year have  
adopted an active policy of making  
their stores and the town so attrac-  
tive that shoppers will have no  
desire or reason to shop elsewhere.

The new policy is probably not a  
conscious move on the part of the  
merchants. It developed, possibly,  
from the realization that if Belle-  
fonte can offer merchandise of equal  
quality and at the same or lower  
prices as in larger cities, the buying  
public will be quick to realize the  
uselessness of going elsewhere.

Bellefonte during this Christmas  
season is brighter, more attractive,  
and will have more appeal to shop-  
pers everywhere than ever before  
in the memory of present residents.

The program for the Yule season  
is far-flung and varied. From the  
large individual trees along the  
sidewalks of the business area, to  
the last nook and cranny of the  
smallest store, the merchants, work-  
ing through the Retail Division of  
the Bellefonte Chamber of Com-  
merce, have renovated the business  
district.

Store windows are brilliantly  
lighted and attractively decorated  
for the season. Much thought and  
labor has been put into most of the  
displays, but lack of space prevents  
the town the feeling that this will  
be a Christmas to be remembered.  
Stores carry unusually heavy stocks  
of merchandise, and it seems that  
prices are surprisingly reasonable.

The 120 sidewalk trees are larger  
and more perfectly matched than  
ever before, and when illuminated  
with colored lights at night are  
most attractive. A large tree has  
been erected on the Diamond and  
from loudspeakers hidden in its  
foliage, as well as from smaller  
speakers all through the business  
area, nightly programs of Christmas  
music are to be presented.

The Centre Democrat would like  
to be able to review the Christmas  
features in every one of the local  
stores, but lack of space prevents  
such an undertaking and, anyway,  
the stores must be seen to be ap-  
preciated. Merchants extend a cor-  
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### Expect Over 200 At VFW Banquet

Veterans to Entertain Prom-  
inent Guests at Event,  
Saturday

More than 200 persons are expect-  
ed to attend the annual banquet  
of Jackson-Crisman-Saylor Post,  
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Belle-  
fonte, at the Brockerhoff Hotel  
here, Saturday night, it was re-  
ported yesterday by James Leitner,  
chairman of the banquet commit-  
tee.

### Viewers Approve New County Home

Horatio S. Moore, of Bellefonte,  
and Dean Kennedy and Fred S.  
Hanson, of State College, viewers  
appointed by the Court to examine  
the new County Home to ascertain  
whether or not all contracts had been  
completed fully and properly,  
yesterday formally reported to  
Judge Walker that everything has  
been completed according to plans  
and specifications.

In accepting the report Judge  
Walker filed an order allowing the  
viewers \$30 each for their services.

### Fractures Rib in Fall

Harry Pifer, 53, of Lamar, is a  
patient in the Lock Haven Private  
Hospital suffering from a fracture  
of the eighth rib near the spine,  
an injury which resulted when he  
fell six or seven feet to the ground  
from a rooftop and landed on his  
back on a pile of bricks. Mr. Pifer  
was admitted to the hospital Mon-  
day shortly after noon. The accident  
had happened earlier in the morn-  
ing at Milesburg where he was em-  
ployed by Mr. Markle, contractor.  
Mr. Pifer was helping put on a new  
roof and apparently tripped when  
he went to step over some shingles.

—Why not a Meeting for Christ-  
mas? Visit the new Maytag agency  
at the R. K. Owens Electric Store,  
and choose one to suit your needs.

### TITAN LOSES APPEAL TO HIGH COURT

Company Claimed NLRB  
Lacked Jurisdiction  
in Labor Case

DECISION MAY BE  
FINAL LEGAL MOVE

Order Calls for Reinstatement  
of 140 Employees  
Who Went on Strike

The Titan Metal Manufacturing  
Company of Bellefonte, Monday lost  
an appeal to the United States Su-  
preme Court for a review of a Na-  
tional Labor Relations Board order  
resulting from a strike in January  
1937. The company maintained that  
the Labor Board lacked jurisdiction  
in the case.

Titan officials are reported to be  
undecided on their future course of  
action, pending further study of the  
case.

The Bellefonte industry, which  
had received an adverse ruling from  
the United States Circuit Court of  
Appeals late in July, had asked the  
Supreme Court for permission to  
take before that body the record of  
the case so far for the purpose of  
seeking an appeal from the Circuit  
Court decision. Final disposition of  
the Titan case was expected to  
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### Barn At Yarnell Is Destroyed By Fire

Fire of undetermined origin early  
on Saturday morning destroyed the  
barn on the Edward Coakley farm  
near Yarnell. The building and its  
contents, including livestock,  
grain and implements was destroyed.

The blaze was discovered about  
1:30 o'clock by a neighbor who  
sounded the alarm. There was no  
way to battle the flames and spec-  
tators were forced to stand by while  
the building was burned to the  
ground.

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ago from the Virginia Central, will  
be placed in service shortly after  
the first of the year after it has  
undergone thorough tests and has  
been adapted to the requirements  
of Bellefonte Central service.

The lighter locomotives which  
had been used exclusively by the  
local road before 1938, are no longer  
powerful enough to haul heavy  
trains over the steep grades of the  
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### Pastor Becomes Army Chaplain

Rev. B. F. Henry to Leave  
Pleasant Gap Methodist  
Church Next Week

Rev. B. F. Henry, pastor of the  
Pleasant Gap Methodist church, has  
resigned from that position to ac-  
cept a commission as chaplain in  
the U. S. Army at Fort Wadsworth,  
Staten Island, N. Y. It was an-  
nounced on Monday.

The pastor will leave Pleasant  
Gap on December 16 to report for  
duty at Fort Wadsworth two days  
later.

The Rev. Mr. Henry, a graduate  
of Shippensburg State Teachers'  
College and Drew Theological Sem-  
inary, has been stationed at Pleas-  
ant Gap since 1938. During his pas-  
torate there an addition was built  
to the church, membership has been  
increased, and a number of organ-  
izations for members of the church  
and Sunday school have been form-  
ed.

Because of his departure, the  
quarterly conference will be held  
at the church on Friday night, De-  
cember 15, at 7:30 p. m. Members  
and friends of the congregation  
have expressed deep regret at the  
departure of the pastor but extend  
to him every wish for success in his  
new line of duty.

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### Driver Injured When Car Skids Into Bank

Walter Auman, of Spring Mills,  
suffered minor injuries and his car  
was damaged to the extent of about  
\$200 about 9:30 o'clock Monday  
morning while he was enroute to  
Bellefonte.

While driving down the north  
side of the Centre Hall mountain,  
Mr. Auman pulled too far to the  
right to permit an approaching car  
to pass. His machine struck ashes  
on the berm and went into a skid,  
coming to rest against a steep em-  
bankment at the side of the road.  
The mishap occurred on a sharp  
curve, assumed slight left-hand  
directions of the head and one hand.

### SCHOOL HEADS STRIPPED OF ALL PERSONAL AUTHORITY

Request Reports on  
Red Cross Roll Call

Limited to Power Granted  
Specifically by State  
School Code

H. S. MOORE NAMED  
BOARD PRESIDENT

A. C. Dale Elected Attor-  
ney as New Board Goes  
Into Action

Bellefonte school authorities, from  
the Supervising Principal down to  
the last employe, were stripped of  
all personal authority by action of  
the Bellefonte School Board, meet-  
ing in special session at the conclu-  
sion of an organization meeting at  
the Academy building, Monday  
night.

The only authority remaining to  
any employe of the school district  
is that vested in them specifically  
by the State School code.

At the organization meeting  
Horatio S. Moore was elected presi-  
dent of the board by a vote of three  
to two over his sole opponent, Her-  
ace J. Hartranft, a hold-over mem-  
ber from the old board.

The organization meeting was the  
first official gathering of the new  
board, consisting of the new mem-  
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### Credit Members In Social Meet

Logan Grange Hall Scene of  
Holidaysburg Association  
Meeting

One hundred fifty-four Centre  
county members and friends of the  
Holidaysburg Production Credit As-  
sociation gathered in the Logan  
Grange Hall at Pleasant Gap, Wed-  
nesday evening, November 29, and  
enjoyed a three-hour business and  
social meeting. Mr. Harry Corman,  
Director for Centre county, acted  
as chairman of the meeting and in-  
troduced the principal speakers of  
the evening.

Mr. Ross Nicodemus, Director for  
Blair county, gave a report of the  
association's progress and activities  
during the year. Mr. Nicodemus  
stated that the association starting  
as a new endeavor in cooperative  
financing in 1934 had grown con-  
sistently year by year and during  
the first ten months of 1939 had  
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### U. S. Army Corporal Found Near College

Apparently suffering from a belief  
that he was being persecuted, a  
United States Army corporal who is  
reported to have wandered away  
from Miller's Field, Staten Island,  
N. Y., was picked up by Centre  
county jail officials near Woody-  
crest, Sunday.

The man is Corporal Joseph  
White, aged about 24, who is report-  
ed to have been wandering about  
in the woods and on the highways  
for approximately one week.

The man was picked up by Sher-  
iff Harry V. Keeler, Deputy Sheriff  
Lee Tice, and Private S. R. Richard-  
son, of the State Motor Police.  
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### Hospital Plan Well Received

Capital Hospital Service offers  
you freedom from financial worry  
when it is necessary for you to stay  
in the hospital," said Margaret  
Edwards, field representative, in an  
interview yesterday.

"Membership in the service en-  
titles the subscriber to treatment  
at the Centre County Hospital or  
any member hospitals in the 14  
counties surrounding Harrisburg,"  
Miss Edwards added.

"We pay for 21 days in a semi-  
private room for each member of  
your family, x-rays, anesthesia, op-  
erating room service, general nurs-  
ing care, laboratory examinations,  
complete blood counts, metabolism  
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### Injured In Collision

Approximately \$70 damage result-  
ed in cars driven by Martin L.  
Spotts, Julian R. D., and Thomas  
Ural, Spring Grove, York county,  
when they crashed at Wetzel's store  
in Milesburg late Monday after-  
noon. Jesse Zeigler, a passenger in  
the Ural car, suffered a bruised  
nose and an injury to his back. One  
of the cars was driving onto the  
highway from a side road at the  
time of the accident, police report-  
ed.

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