

Pickpockets, Beware
Lewisburg will be no place for pick-pockets the week of January 5. Bucknell University will conduct a conference of criminology that week-end and scores of the nation's leading criminologists will attend.
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County Home Is Opened
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Nettie Palmer, Elizabeth Orndorf, Nora Fry and Sarah Hoy, all of whom were transferred from the former Bellefonte Borough Home; John Ferguson, of Lemont; Thomas A. Williams, of Nittany; Ellie Harpster and Rebecca Thompson, both of Rush township.

The present personnel of the home is as follows: James Hugg, Phillipsburg, superintendent; Mrs. Hugg, matron; Mrs. William Keen, Bellefonte, also an employee at the former borough home, housemaid; and Ralph Haag, of Bellefonte, and Earl Shreckengast, of Zion, firemen.

Other employees will be added to the staff later, it is reported.

All the present guests are able to be about, although three of them are confined to wheel chairs. Dr. J. C. Rogers, of Bellefonte, makes calls at the home on an average of every other day, and is summoned at other times when his services are required. So far the second floor of the home, which is to be used for invalids and mentally afflicted persons, has not been opened, all guests being taken care of on the first floor.

When the second floor facilities are placed in use, it is expected that nurses, a dietitian and other employees will be added to the staff of the home.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugg, superintendent and matron of the institution, are residing in the quarters provided for them on the first floor. For some weeks they had commuted daily from their residence in Phillipsburg.

Attendants at the home report that the guests are delighted with their new surroundings. They comment most favorably on the comfortable beds, the light, cheerful rooms and the completeness of the equipment, it is reported.

The laundry is now in use, employees being instructed in the operation of the various machines by a representative of the manufacturer. Because some of the furniture supplied by a contractor was rejected and was returned to the factory, a few articles of furniture from the Bellefonte borough home are being used until the new furniture arrives.

The Bellefonte Borough Home, rented by the county to house indigents pending completion of the new county home, was again reverted to the borough. No indication has been given by Bellefonte Council as to the final disposition of the property.

Jury Finds Man Not Guilty
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recklessly, negligently, carelessly, and at a high rate of speed.

James Moore, who said that he was standing about 20 feet from the scene of the accident at the time it occurred, took the stand as first witness for the state to tell how he saw the truck approach at a high rate of speed—50 to 65 miles per-hour in his estimation—ever from one side of the road to another as it went around the left-hand curve, overtook, overtook and roll over a bank 10 feet high. Moore testified that he heard the people in the truck singing and screaming as it passed him. An objection was made by the defense to the statement of Moore regarding the speed of the truck, charging he was incompetent to judge speeds. The objection was overruled by Judge Ivan Walker.

In cross-examination, M. Ward Fleming, former Centre County Judge and one of the two defense attorneys, used photographs of the scene of the accident in an endeavor to establish the exact position of Moore when he saw the truck. He also referred to records of testimony given by Moore at the coroner's inquest, asking the witness if he had not said at the inquest that he did not know at what speed the truck was going. The witness admitted these statements.

Attorney Fleming then asked the witness how long it had been since he had driven a car. Moore answered that he had driven about 15 miles in 1917 and had ridden to Cresson in a car driven by another person each Sunday for three years, recently.

Next to take the stand was William Vaughn, who, according to his testimony, was standing in the garden of his home directly opposite the spot where the accident occurred. Vaughn's account of the truck's approach and the crash was substantially the same as that of the previous witness. He estimated the truck's speed at about 60 miles-per-hour. The witness said that he had driven a car since 1914.

Cross-examined by William Litke, the other defense attorney, the witness admitted stating at the coroner's inquest that the truck was going 50 miles-per-hour and that it turned over five or six times.

"I never in my life saw a truck go any faster!" Edward Cartwright, who said he saw the truck go by the Reiter store, declared loudly. Cartwright, third witness for the state, testified that three people were hanging on the cab of the truck and that he was blinded by dust raised as it went by. He said that he saw the truck sway.

The cross-examination of Cartwright by Attorney Fleming opened with angry words. "You were never vehemently denied driving his cows down the road at the time the truck passed."

Ted Hoover next took the stand, that, although he watched for it, he passing his home some distance back toward Sandy Ridge from the scene of the crash. He stated that it seemed to be picking up speed as it reached the left curve on which the accident occurred, and that, although he watched for it, he did not see the truck's stop-light go on.

"You didn't say anything at the coroner's inquest about watching for the tail-light to come on, did you?" asked Attorney Litke in cross-examination.

"I think I did," Hoover answered.

Following this testimony, Defense Attorney Fleming moved that all testimony given by Vaughn, Moore, and Cartwright regarding speed be stricken from the records. Judge Walker overruled the motion.

Next on the witness stand was Paul Rosnosky, a middle-aged Lithuanian who told in broken English that he was riding in the truck close to the cab. He identified the defendant, Gravish, as the driver. He then explained how he became frightened at the speed of the truck and asked the driver to slow down.

When cross-examined by defense counsel Fleming, the witness declared the time window in the back of the cab was open and that everybody on the truck was singing and having a good time.

On being asked by prosecutor Gettig if everything was quiet when he spoke to the driver, the witness replied that it was.

Several unsuccessful attempts were made by Attorney Fleming and Judge Walker to induce the witness to show them how loudly he spoke to the driver of the truck.

Next, Josephine Adams, 12, testified that she had been riding in the middle of the truck bed, standing. She also reaffirmed the fact that the defendant had driven the truck, and described its operation before the accident as "zig-zag."

Questioned by Attorney Fleming in a fatherly manner, she said that there was much noise on the truck, some of the picnickers singing the "Beer Barrel Polka" and others just shouting.

Victoria Sokol, also a member of the crowd on the truck, testified and declared, "The people were 'hollering' as loud as they could for the driver to stop. A few were singing. It seemed that every time we hollered, he drove the truck a little faster." She, like little Josephine Adams, said that the truck was being operated in a zig-zag manner.

Andrew J. Royko, a motor patrolman from Phillipsburg, then came to the stand. He testified that he had arrived on the scene of the wreck after all the injured had been taken to the hospital. He told of the truck as he found it and declared that he found the burns on the road over 200 feet from the wrecked truck.

Royko testified that, in his conversation with the defendant at the hospital, Gravish had declared that he did not know at what speed he was going at the time of the wreck. His statement a few days later, according to Patrolman Royko, was, "I heard people hollering and reached for the emergency brake. The truck seemed to go faster. I felt the crowd in the bed of the truck start to sway. We seemed to start to fly, and I said, 'Here we go.'"

After Defense Attorney Litke's

Coal Operator Dies Suddenly
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some hours earlier.

The deceased, a former student of St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, Md., and a graduate of Villa Nova College, for many years had been operator of coal mines in the Snow Shoe region. He was a native of that community, having been born there on February 12, 1880. His parents were Lawrence Redding, who passed away only two months ago, and the late Mary Kelley Redding. The family has long been prominently identified with the history of the coal industry in Snow Shoe.

Surviving are a brother and two sisters: Thomas Redding, Mrs. Leo Kelley and Miss Marcella Redding, all of Snow Shoe.

Mr. Redding was a member of St. Mary's church, Snow Shoe; was a member of the Bellefonte Elks' lodge, and formerly was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Bellefonte.

Funeral services will be held at 9 o'clock Saturday morning at St. Mary's church, Snow Shoe, with the Rev. Father J. F. Connelly officiating. Interment will be made in the church cemetery.

Seek Funds For Finnish Relief
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less men, women, and children which will become increasingly tragic as winter advances. These are emergent needs for medical, hospital and other supplies and assistance. The Red Cross has already made initial shipments of medicines, but need funds for future increasing needs. Please at once give effective publicity throughout your community to the effect that the American Red Cross will receive

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