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# HEAVY SNOW PARALYZES COUNTY

## TRAFFIC NEAR S. MDSTILL IN YEAR'S HEAVIEST STORM

Depth Ranges from 14 to WEDDING ECHOES 24 Inches; Rural Roads Blocked

W. KRADER INJURED WHEN CAR CRASHES

Many Other Automoble Mishaps; Utilities Are Ready For Trouble

Centre County today is strugging in depth from 14 to 24 inches.

A suggestion of wind last night threatened to cause heavy drifting.

Legend: Four automobile accidents necessi-

tating police investigation, and hundreds of minor mishaps, all attributable to the snow, have been reported since the first flakes began to fall late Tuesday afternoon. The storm continued without letup all Tuesday night and throughout the

Aaron D. Leitzell, Centre County Superintendent of Highways yesterday announced that 21 snowplow crews have been working constantly in the county since the storm began, but that so far only the main highways have been opened enough to permit traffic. The heavy snow bogged down some of the equipment, and so far none of the crews has been available for clearing rural roads, which are impassible.

A large number of ashing crews have been engaged in scattering ashes at road intersections, and at stop signs, on curves and on steep grades, but their work has been hampered by the continual fall of fresh snow.

Train service in this locality yesterday was reported to be nearly normal, although the eastbound Jacksonville road about 8 miles Lehigh Express, scheduled to arrive (Continued on page 3)

### Port Matilda Home

to the structure.

Neighbors discovered the blaze while Mr. Woodring, who lives alone, 1:30 o'clock and went downstairs 62-year-old Pennsylvania railroad was absent from the house. Port Matilda firemen drove over frozen ground to the edge of Bald Eagle feet on the macadam road which creek, and broke a hole through the ice to obtain water with which they saved the building from destruction. Damage from smoke, water and fire was confined largely to one side of the building, the flames having

broken through at several places. Tyrone firemen responded to a call but by the time they reached the scene the blaze was under control. Damage is covered, at least partially, by insurance.

### MILESBURG MAN CHAIRMAN OF TRUCKERS' ASSOCIATION

Roy Swartz, Milesburg, is the new chairman of the Centre County Pine Grove Mills.

elected at a meeting at the Court a patch of ice on the ground near-House here: Robert Koch, Pine by The tragic accident happened Grove Mills: Joseph Shoemaker, Tuesday morning at the farm of the State College; C. L. Hail, Clarence; boy's grandfather, T. C. Seyler, Lo-George Lutz, Centre Hall, and Edganton, R. D.

The child had accompanied his the child had accom

program was discussed by E. N. the stables to the farm fields. Tues-Stimson field representative of the day morning about 9:30 o'clock, the held vania association is the largest a - vehicle, his head striking the ice-

### MILESBURG BASEBALL CLUB TO ORGANIZE FOR 1940

The chairman and members of the board of the Milesburg Ball Club notify all players living in the vicinity of Milesburg, and others interested in baseball, that an organization meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m., Tuesday, February 20, in the Milesburg Band Hall.

In view of the record and turnouts at games last season the Milesburg club faces good prospects for the coming year. Milesburg has plenty of good new material for a strong team, and with proper cooperation and interest the club is in good posteam, and with proper cooperation and interest the club is in good position to win the season champion-

### Shed at College Burns

stroyed by fire about 1:45 o'clock also of State College.

-Vote now on Daylight Saving. there.

Several features of the ceremony in the Methodist church were particularly worthy of comment. responses of the bride and bridegroom were audible throughout the church, although they were spoken in low tones, As the Rev. H. Willis Hartsock began reciting The Lord's Prayer to close the ceremony, the guests repeated the prayer softly with him. So low was the accompaniment by the hundreds of voices that it almost seemed as though it came from a great distance, with gling out of the heaviest snowfall the pastor's voice well in the fore. of the winter-a heavy blanket ran- It was, perhaps, the most impres-

### Legend:

The Lightner-Dorworth wedding shows promise of becoming a legend in Bellefonte-something the graybeards of 50 years from now will tell their grandchildren. The Lightner-Dorworth Nuptials stories of 1990 may start something like this: "Now back in '40 when (Continued on page 3)

Prowler Heard Running Lightner and the late James Light-Short Time Before Discovery of Blaze

east of Bellefonte,

The barn was burned to the ground early last Friday morning. entailing a loss estimated at between \$4000 and \$5000. Mr. Haines Ends in Suic Damaged By Fire carried \$2500 insurance on the pro-

Mr. Haines bases his suspicion The home of Joseph R. Woodring, that the fire was of human origin Port Matilda Justice of the Peace, through the fact that several minwas considerably damaged about 8 utes before the blaze was discovo'clock last Thursday morning when ered his wife heard the sound of spark from the chimney set fire running feet on the macadam road near the huose.

> Mrs. Haines had arisen about for some medicine. While there she heard the sound of running passes between the Haines house and barn. She rushed up stairs and informed her husband, who to an adjoining room for a went (Continued on Page 6)

### Loganton Child Is Killed In Fall

Strikes Head In Tumble from Grandfather's Manure Spreader

Falling from the driver's seat of edly, Ellwood Jerry Getgen, 5, was P. R. R. relief. Swartz and these directors were instantly killed when his head struck

covered ground.

Clinton County Coroner W. (Continued on page 3)

### State College Woman lives Is Fatally Injured

College, died in a Meadville hospital at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon as the result of head injuries received last Wednesday when the car she was driving left the highway and struck a tree near Meadville.

their parents; and two sons, sonn of his first year as proprietor of the Bellefonte Hardware Company.

Mark W. Milliams yesterday announced a store-wide anniversary sale which will begin tomorrow and mington, Del.; Mrs. William Jester. at games last season the Milesburg and struck a tree near Meadville,

Mrs. Lewis, the former Catherine Mary O'Keefe, moved to State College after her marriage last August to Clifford M. Lewis, member of the ed \$1,500 bail after a hearing Sat- shopping list. A small shed on a vacant lot at department of public information urday before Justice of the Peace the corner of Locust Lane and East staff at Penn State. Survivors in- E. T. Haynes, of Snow Shoe, on Foster avenue, State College, was clude her husband, and her parents, charges (I adultery and illegal pa-

Tuesday morning. The structure was owned by Contractor John H. Hens-teacher in the public schools at Harzey, who is in charge of building bor Creek and Erie Academy High, operations on the site. Also damaged and an instructor in the demonstrawere a number of planks nearby tion school at California State Hall yesterday afternoon for Law- worked as though they were receiv-

MRS. RALPH H. LIGHTNER

### Wedding Here Well Attended

Followed by Reception at State College

One of the most nicely appoint d weddings in Bellefonte in many years took place in the Methodis hurch at 8 o'clock Saturday evenng when Miss Rebecca Dorworth aughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dorworth, of West Linn street became the bride of Ralph Hobson Lightner, son of Mrs. Ida Day ner, of Washington, Pa.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. H. Willis Hartsock, pastor by some unknown person, was ex- decorated with snap dragons, smilax, pressed yesterday by William Free ferns and palms, was a lovely pic-Haines, farmer residing along the ture in the soft candlelight, Music (Continued on page 3)

# Ends In Suicide

Native of Centre Hall Shoots Self at Juniata Home, Sunday

A family quarrel at the home John A. Coble, in Juniata, Sunday morning ended in the death of the section hand. Blair county Coroner, Chester C

had been quarreling and Coble picked up a 12-gauge shot gun and shot himself in the abdomen. He was 11:15 where he died at 5:07 p. m. One-Third of Centre County's taken to the Altoona hospital at Born near Centre Hall, he was the son of John and Julie (Page) Coble, Members of the family include his wife, Mrs. Lillian Coble, three sons and two daughters, James of

fonte. Charles of Oak Hall and Hotel. Calvin of Centre Hall, and a sister | The speaker was one who has in-Mrs. Mamie Wilkens of Oak Hall.

STRUBLE STATION COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Dreibelbis, The Pennsylvania Motor Truck grandfather many times as he drove lege, celebrated their 40th wedding There are \$18,250,000 invested in Association's 1940 highway safety the spreader back and forth from anniversary, Wednesday, with a din- these farms, \$12,000,000 of which is ner at their home. The dinner was in land and buildings, and \$2,500,association. Last year, PMTA won team was setting out from the barn- which their wedding took place four that one-tenth of this machinery the national highway safety trophy yard when a sudden lurch of the decades ago at the George W. Keich- must be replaced each year, creating awarded by the American Trucking spreader bounced the boy from his line farm home in Ferguson town- a nice turnover of business for deal-Associations, of which the Pennsyl- perch. He fell off at one side of the ship. The Rev. A. A. Black was the ers and creating jobs for urban

> are enjoying good health. They have been stalwart Democrats all their Among the guests at the anniversary dinner were their daughters: Mrs. Clifford M. Lewis, 25, of State their parents; and two sons, John of his first year as proprietor of the

> > Held on Morals Counts

Infant Dies Funeral services were held at Pine the Court House and jail. The men

### **Undine Fire Company To** Sponsor Brotherhood Meeting

In response to a Presidential in- | K. Stock, supervising principal of vitation extended to all communities the Bellefonte public schools, an es-

the evening. The ceremony will be Through the co-operation of Past BRIDEGROOM GETS in charge of Former Judge M. Ward Commander, Samuel D. Rhinesmith, American Legion, and Aaron D. of the gathering.

Through the co-operation of Earl will be free.

Presented Here

by President Roosevelt to partici- say contest will be arranged among pate in Brotherhood Week, from high school students. The theme of February 18 to 24, the Undine Fire the essays will be: "Make America Company, Bellefonte, will sponsor Safe for Difference, Because Differa Brotherhood Day on Washington's ence Makes America Safe." The Un-Birthday, Thursday, February 22, dine company has posted a prize of with a ceremony in the Court House \$10 for the winning essay. Judging of the essays will be left in Mr Plans are virtually completed for Stock's hands.

Fleming and the program will be as the American Legion Junior Drum follows: addresses by The Rev. and Bugle Corps will be on hand Father William E. Downes, rector to play patriotic numbers, and Boy Hunter Who Shot Man of St. John's Catholic church, Belle- Scouts and Girl Scouts will have a fonte; Rev. William C. Thompson, part in the program. The managepastor of the Bellefonte Presbyterian ment of local theatres is working church; Rabbi Theodore H. Gordon, with the committee and will present of State College; Commander Herb- M-G-M's Perfect Tribute in both ert M. Beezer, representing the cheatres as a tie-up with the spirit

attend the ceremonies. Admission

### School Burned Recital To Be

Three Local Musicians To Blaze First of Many Misfor-Give Program at Church, School District February 27th

On February 27, at 8:00 p. m., in Tuesday of this week, February 13, of the church, before an altar on ed by Miss Cowell and Mrs. Paul F. portions of a catastrophe. Belief that his barn was inten- which were two silver candelabra. Beaver, and vocal solos by Mrs. tionally or unintentionally set afire The church, which was beautifully John Truby, accompanied by Miss wards of \$150,000, the school fire rest of the couple came after com-

riage was Miss Mable Piscus, of In- town's history diana, Pa., studied voice from the Believed to have begun from a eminent teacher, Adriann Freni, of spark in the giant electrically driven Pittsburgh. In 1931 she was the win- fan which forced warm air from ner of the Atwater-Kent contest for the basement through ducts to all

was the pupil of Max Landow and hall she accompanied for the classes of when the fire was discovered, every Adelin Fermin, teacher of John person got safely out of the building Charles Thomas, and for the classes through a regular fire-drill, which of Leonardo de Lorenzo, then head most students believed was nothing (Continued on Page 2)

# Blair county Coroner, Chester C. County Farming

Area Is Farmland, Club Speaker Reveals

"Agriculture in Centre County." Flemington, Pa., John and Edward was the subject of an interesting

Mr. Coble was employed as a ditions in our county, Ralph C. degree team from Tyrone, an important business in the econ- ent speakers. omy of Centre county.

of Struble Station, near State Col- are used for the growing of crops, the new class. at high noon—the hour at 000 in machinery. It is estimated officiating minister at the wedding. dwellers. 21 per cent of the popula The Dreibelbis', retired farmers, tion of the county earn their liveare among the largest real estate lihood through agriculture. owners in Centre county, and both The average farm, Mr. Blaney

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### STORE TO HOLD FIRST

that only early shoppers can be church, 2:00 p. m. assured of avoiding disappointment. Turn to the store's advertisement lows' Hall, 8:00 p. m. Clyde Quick, of Moshannon, post- on another page and prepare your

> Prisoners Shovel Snow snow off the broad sidewalks around

inmates of the county jail and set Mrs. D. A. Krumrine, State College, a wide experience in the selling and them to work in cleaning the foot of county women's chairman.

# One Year Ago

tunes To Befall Local

the auditorium of the Presbyterian marked the first anniversary of the charges of marrying his niece, and that I tender my resignation, I shall church a musical recital will be pre- Bellefonte High school fire-a blaze his wife pleaded guilty to a charge unhesitatingly do so, but I do not high school building, to cancel its sented by three of Centre county's which was realized to have been a of marrying her uncle, contrary to intend to be driven from my posi- contract with the board. musicians. The program will feature serious blow to the borough school state laws regarding consanguineous tion without just cause being 3. To enter upon the board minpiano solos by Miss Jane Cowell, system at the time, but which since marriages. numbers for organ and piano play- then has assumed almost the pro- James H. Griffith, of the State

took its place well in the fore among plaints had been received from the Mrs. Truby, who before her mar- the most destructive fires in the girl's mother and another relative

voice for the state of Pennsylvani. paris of the 20-year-old brick struc-Miss Cowell is a graduate of the die, the blaze spread with amazing Eastman School of Music in Roch- rapidity to all parts of the building ester, N. Y., and of the Pennsylvania as fiames were blown through the Nearly 125 Members, Wives While at Eastman she dust-lined ducts into every room a now studies each summer with Despite the fact that classes had George MacNabb. For several years begun their first morning session

more serious than a routine drill. The Bellefonte fire department, delayed in getting to the scene be-(Continued on page 3)

# Is Big Business 50 To Be Admitted

Order of Moose, which for the past mittee chairman Joseph DeLallo, two weeks has been conducting a who was assisted by Carl Moerschdrive for new members, will cele- bacher and James Decker. brate the close of the drive at 3 p. Toastmaster for the occasion was m. on Sunday, February 18, with Harold D. Cowher, former president and Violet, all at home, and Mrs. address given before the members of the initiation of 50 members—the Mabel May Miller of Huntingdon, the Bellefonte Kiwanis Club at the largest class of candidates ever to three brothers, Samuel of Belle- meeting Tuesday in the Penn Belle be admitted in the history of the Clarence lodge.

The ritualistic work will be contimate touch with agricultural con- ferred on the class by the famous Council, Pennsylvania Motor Truck his grandfather's manure spreader track worker by the Pennsylvania Blaney, the county's agricultural ex- champions. All lodges of the district Association, succeeding Robert Koch, when the horses started unexpect- railroad and was a member of the tension agent. The figures which he have been invited to attend, and Local and Out-of-Town Resiproduced showed that agriculture is there will be addresses by promin-H. S. Ball, of the membership en-

Our county, he said, is the second rollment department of Mooseheart, OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY largest in area, comprising 733,598 has been at Clarence for the past acres. Of these about one-third is two weeks to conduct the campaign farm land. 150,000 acres of which and to arrange for the admission of

### **Famous Movies** To Be Shown at Farm Meetings

ranged to present the motion pictures, "The River" and "The Plow That Broke the Plains," at a series terest in children everywhere and the county. The schedule follows: February 19-Court House, Belle-(Continued on page 6-2nd section) fair cross section of opinion among mark your preference as indicated

The Centre County Agricultural

fonte, 7:30 p. m. February 20-Pine Grove Mills High school, 12:30 p. m. February 20-Boalsburg Vocational school, 7:30 p. m. February 21—Millheim,

Penns' Valley School, 7:30 p. m. February 21-Spring Mills, G. T. February 22-Port Matilda, M. E. February 23-Howard, Odd Fel-

Aids Job Campaign Miss Mary Segner, of Boalsburg,

will be in charge of woman's jcb and the general manager of The Sheriff Edward R. Miller yester- mobilization work in that communi- Lingenfelter Motor Co. of Belleternity. The case is acheduled for an day morning handed shovels to six ity, it was announced this week by fonte, Jesse M. Lingenfelter, has had

Finnish Relief Fund The First National Bank, of Bellewhich were to have been used in the building.

Teachers' College. Funeral services tence Richard Ghaner, 12-day-old building.

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## Uncle, Niece Separated by Court Order

Man Says He Wedded Relative To "Stop the Talk"

60 DAYS IN JAIL

Directed to Pay \$200 to His Victim

The wedding of a State College Leitzell, representing the Veterans The public is cordially invited to legal shoals here Monday morning fesing. when Judge Ivan Walker sentenced the 49-year-old bridegroom to jail lows: for 60 days, and ordered his 21-yearold wife and niece to leave her hus-

"We got married to stop the talk." November 10 married his niece, May services terminated. Katharine Hecker, told the court in entered into the illegal marriage.

Motor Police at Rockview, prosecu-With total loss estimated at up- tor in the case, stated that the ar-

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### Marching Unit Holds Banquet

and Guests Attend Party at Penn Belle

dine Fire Company drill team, their

wives and guests, numbering nearly 125 persons in all, attended a din- bills, and 1 not a true bill. H. W. ner and dance held last Thursday vening at the Penn Belle Hotel. of the jury. The party was held as a tribute to officers and men of the company whose untiring efforts and unflagging interest have developed the drill team, organized only one year To Clarence Moose ago, into an unusually well-drilled and well-equipped unit. The even-Clarence lodge, No. 1565, Loyal ing's program was planned by com-

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### **County Library** Receives Gifts

dents Contribute Books and Equipment

Since the last reporting of doto the Library and Historical Corporation of Centre County have been many and varied.

One gift of unusual proportions comes from Miss Mary Cameron, ot Harrisburg, who sent seventy-five children's books, all new and beautifully illustrated. Although Miss Cameron has never lived in Bellefonte, she has shown considerable from time to time through Miss children's books was prompted by most two to one majority in favor this office and everyone residing in her unselfish and impersonal in- of Daylight Saving. books in Centre County.

### NEW HOME OF THE BUICK MOTOR CARS AND GM TRUCKS

The Lingenfelter Motor Co., of Bellefonte, announce the opening of the remodeled salesroom and garage at Allegheny street and Cherry Alley, Saturday, February 17, for the sales and service of Buick motor cars and GM trucks.

The Lingenfelter family has been associated with the sale of Buick cars in Blair county for many years servicing of automobile

The Buick automobile needs no ntroduction to the average automobile owner, it is the pride of the

# SCHOOL BOARD ASKS STOCK TO SUBMIT RESIGNATION

Stock Says: "I Have No Intention of Resigning"

The reaction of Earl K. Stock, upervising principal of the Bellefonte Public schools, to the board's 3 to 2 vote asking for his resignation, was a flat refusal unless he can be shown that a representative cross-section of Bellefonte citizens feel that the interests of the schools would be best served through his on the Bellefonte school board

Mr. Stock cited the board's failure to assign any reason for his requestuncle and niece went aground on ed resignation as his grounds for re-

"In reply to the reported request In each case dissenting votes were voted by three members of the board cast by the two old members of the that I resign as supervising princi- board, Horace J. Hartranft and Bos-The marriage is expected to be pal of the Bellefonte schools, I wish sart DeHaas. officially broken up through a di- to state that I have no intention. The three is orce proceeding which is now pend- whatsoever of resigning under the these measures; present circumstances.

"I ask the public to note that no Zacharia G. Kerstetter, who last reason was stated for wishing my

"When a representative cross secresponse to a question as to why he tion of the citizens of Bellefonte indicates to me that they consider it Kerstetter pleaded guilty to for the best interests of the schools toona architects retained to aid the

Suggests Complete Renovation of County Jail Property

mended by the February Grand Jury in Washington this week. which completed its two-day delib-More than 50 members of the Un- erations here Tuesday afternoon.

> a Court House fire hazard called to work to include clearing, grubbing, its attention in a letter submitted excavating, grading, placing surfacby Prothontary Bond C. White. Mr. fireproof vaults in his offices were and performing incidental and aporiginally designed for double steel purtenant work. doors, only one thin steel door has ever been installed. This single door, Mr. White declares, is inadequate being sponsored by the supervisors protection for the valuable county records in the event of fire. The of Rush township. same condition exists in the vaults

The only bill ignored by the jury was one against Harry Munro, Lock Haven, who was charged with inof Mrs. George Ezar, 69, of Adah, evening of last week when she slip-Fayette county. Mrs. Ezar was sit- ped on the icy highway in Buffalo ting in a car parked along the high- Run Valley. (Continued on page 3)

rural areas appear to be in favor of 'Now!

YES ( )

3 to 2 Vote Responsible For Latest Move To Oust Head

ASK ARCHITECTS TO BREAK CONTRACT

Visitors Are Voted Out of Meeting; Question Absence of Teacher

The triumvirate of new members again acted together at a regular meeting Monday night and when the session ended five moves had been made with the new trio, H. S. Moore, Franklin B. Schad and Wil-Mr. Stock's message of refusal fol- liam H. Brouse having cast the votes which made them law.

The three new members voted for

1. To ask Supervising Principal Earl K. Stock for his resignation. Resaons for this request were refused upon demand by Mr. Hartranft 2. To ask Hunter & Caldwell, Al-

board in the construction of a new utes a notation that Martha J. Barnhart, third grade teacher, has

Pebruary 5 without asking leave of absence from the board. Miss Barnhart submitted a letter in which she aid she would comply with all state (Continued on page four)

absented herself from school since

### Approve WPA Project For Rush Twp. Roads

Presidential approval of an allo-cation of \$48,769 for a Works Pro-A complete renovation of the Cen- prove roads throughout Rush towntre county jail property was recom- ship. Centre county, was announced

The project is the second road improvement proposal for Centre The jury, acting upon 11 bills of county to be okayed within a week, indictment, found 10 of them true an allotment of \$23,267 having been approved a few days ago for Gregg Todd, of Philipsburg, was foreman township.

The Rush project, which will be The jury also took cognizance of township-wide in scope, calls for ing; construction end-walls, gutters, White declared that although the and drainage facilities; laying pipe;

> The project, to be carried out only on township-owned property, is

### of the Register's and Recorder's of- Fractures Wrist In Fall On Highway

Mrs. Zora B. Parsons, of East coluntary manslaughter in connec- College avenue, State College, suftion with the death last October 2 fered a fractured wrist Wednesday

way a short distance east of Julian Not knowing there was ice on the when Munro's truck, enroute to road, Mrs. Parsons stepped from a Philipsburg for a load of coal, crash- car to assist the driver in backing. ed into the machine. Mrs. Ezar's She was taken to State College nations early in November, the gifts husband, aged 65, and their son-in- where a physician reduced the fracture.

### VOTING IS TWO TO ONE IN **FAVOR OF DAYLIGHT SAVING**

Early returns from The Centre retaining standard time, while those interest in the Centre County Li- Democrat's poll on whether or not in the borough favor moving the brary, and has made contributions the public wants Daylight Saving clocks ahead one hour during the Time for Bellefonte during the com- summer months. Conservation Committee has ar- Mary Linn. Her latest gift of ing summer months indicates an al- A ballot box has been set up in

Bellefonte, or persons out-of-town While the vote is still too light to who transact business in this town ANNIVERSARY SALE of meetings to be held throughout by the very real need for children's comprise an expression of public are cordially invited to cast a balsentiment, it is hoped that within lot. Many other generous gifts of the next week enough ballots will For your convenience we publish books and periodicals have come have been received to represent a a ballot below. Clip out the ballot,

> residents of Bellefonte borough and and bring or mail the ballot to this the rural areas surrounding the office Bellefonte Council's action in the Judging from comments contain- matter of Daylight Saving Time may ed on ballots so far, those from the be determined by your vote. Vote

> > NO ( )

### **Daylight Saving Ballot**

Are you in favor of observing Daylight Saving Time in Bellefonte

Remarks:		 					7		*	 *	-				**												
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