

# POLICE BAFFLED BY TAYLOR MURDER

## \$2,500 Rewards Fail To Reveal Evidence

### Flurry Caused By Finding of Blood near

### SEARCH CENTER IN STATE COLLEGE

### 12 Investigators Now Regularly Assigned to Aid in Case

Although rewards totaling more than \$2,500 have been posted for the arrest and conviction of the person responsible for the murder of Rachel Taylor, Penn State co-ed, police last night apparently were no nearer a solution in the baffling crime than they were when the battered body of the Wildwood, N. J. girl was found on the driveway of the College township school at Lemont just two weeks ago today.

Add to the press conferences which are held from time to time in the Borough building, State College, police have maintained a rigid silence regarding their investigation. The spokesmen for the investigators confine themselves to statements that they are investigating every possible clue; are checking all tips received, and that they are pursuing a routine probe of everything which might possibly lead to a solution of the crime.

The staff of State Troopers working on the case, with the substitution at Rockview penitentiary as headquarters, now consists of 12 officers. It is reliably reported, in the group are officers from both branches.

### Man Hurt as Driver Loses Control of Car

One person was injured and a car was damaged to the extent of about \$350 about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when the driver, who held a learner's permit, lost control of the machine on the highway about one-half mile west of Potomac Mills.

### NEW TRESPASS SIGNS ARE NECESSARY FOR 1940

During the 1939 session of the Pennsylvania Legislature, changes were made in the Trespass and Stealing laws. As a result of these changes, property owners in order to protect themselves from Trespassing and Stealing, must have trespass signs posted that conform with the new act.

### Potato Growers' Group Now in New Offices

The offices of the Pennsylvania Cooperative Potato Growers' Association were moved this week from the second floor of Crider's Exchange building to the rooms on the first floor of the Masonic building, North Allegheny street, which formerly housed the offices of Dr. Richards Hoffman.

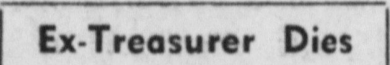
### Mishap at Centre Hall

In a collision at Centre Hall about 3:15 o'clock Friday afternoon a sedan driven by Harvey Miller, of Mill Hill, E. D., was damaged to the extent of \$10, and damage to a coupe owned by James F. Foust of Centre Hall, was placed at \$2. No one was injured.

## BELLEVILLE Y. M. C. A. SEEKS \$6,000.00 IN WELFARE DRIVE

Seventy years ago the Belleville Y. M. C. A. began its history with 28 members. Today it has a total enrollment of 1469. Once it occupied a single room in the Bush Arcade, now its quarters include a gymnasium, swimming pool, game and reading room, office, lobby, bowling alleys, and four bedrooms, the rents from which help to buy equipment.

## Two-Year-Old Milesburg Boy Killed By Car



Ex-Treasurer Dies

Lyman L. Smith, 69, of East Curtin street, Belleville, native of Centre county and former County Treasurer, passed away at the Lewisstown Hospital at 12:40 o'clock last Thursday morning from complications resulting from an operation performed three weeks before. He had been a patient in the hospital for one month.

## Illness Fatal To Lyman L. Smith

### Former Centre County Treasurer Succumbs at Lewisstown Hospital

Mr. Smith served as Centre County Treasurer from 1928 to 1932, and had resided in Belleville since 1929 when he completed the construction of a home on East Curtin street. Prior to moving here he had been a resident of Centre Hall.

## Crash Victim's Fiancee Is III

### Miss Rebecca Steele in Local Hospital; Grief Assigned as Cause

Miss Rebecca Steele, 18, of Bellwood, fiancee of the late Clyde W. Strouse, of near Spring Mills, who was killed in a grade crossing accident at Tipton on March 25, was admitted to the Centre County Hospital last Wednesday for treatment for which is described as a "nervous condition."

## Boy Falls 14 Feet; Not Seriously Hurt

Bobby Saylor, aged 3 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Saylor, of the Arthur Thomas apartments, North Spring street, narrowly escaped serious injury yesterday morning when he fell 14 feet from a window to the ground.

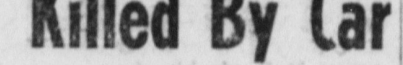
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## Patent Issued To Titan Metal Worker

Jacob W. Shook, of Belleville, got a patent this week on a plumbing fixture. It was leased at the United States Patent Office in Washington, yesterday.

## Cooking School Will Open At Y. M. C. A. Next Wednesday



Mrs. Dorothy Bathgate, Cooking and Baking Expert

The Centre Democrat's annual three-day school will be held next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 2 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. The first two classes on cooking and the use of modern equipment will be under the capable supervision of Mrs. Dorothy Bathgate, who needs no introduction to the housewives of Belleville.

## Complete Movies of Belleville

### Film Record of Town and Its Activities to be Shown Next Week

"I'm in the Movies—Are You?" This is the usual greeting on the streets of Belleville.

## Files \$3,500 Damage Suit

### Bellefonte, R. D. Man Claims \$70 For Car; \$3,430 For Injuries

Edward L. Heaton, of Bellefonte, R. D. 3, this week brought suit against Mr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Gordon, of Howard, E. D. 2, for \$3,500 damages which Heaton claims he suffered through an automobile accident on September 20, 1939, when his car and the Gordon car collided on Route 220.

## Grand Jury to Convene May 6; Criminal Court Opens May 20

Jurors for the regular May Court were drawn last week by Jury Commissioners Merrill E. Fletchier and John W. Condo, with the assistance of Sheriff Edward R. Miller. Mrs. Virginia Miller acted as clerk.

## County Women To Meet Saturday

The spring meeting of Centre County Federation of Women's Clubs will be held in the Saint John's Lutheran church of Millheim, on Saturday morning, April 13, at 10 o'clock.

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## State Okays Spring Creek Regulations



Mrs. Sara McCarthy, Authority on Decorating

The Fish Commission agreed to post farmers' regulations on the upper eight miles of Spring Creek, Centre county, from Oak Hill to Rock.

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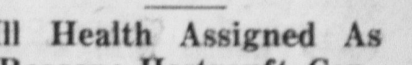
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