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PLEASANT GAP MAN GRUELLY BEATEN

Claims Attack Took Police Take Place During 'Ride' Negatives Of

Sheriff Three Men Took Part

VICTIM REPORTED IN DAZED CONDITION

Struck on Head With Butt of Gun; Wound Becomes Infected

Edward R. Miller and his deputy, certain of reservations. James Hugg, visited the residence to investigate the reported attack.

muzzle-loading gun. The wound has become infected, Miller stated.

A complete investigation of the reported attack is to be made today by the Sheriff's office with the aid of an officer to be assigned by Corporal S. S. Mollenkoff, of the State Police sub-station at Rockview.

News of the reported attack reached the office of District Attorney Musser W. Gettig yesterday morning, and that official immediately

According to the story related by (Continued on page six)

Pine Hall Boy

Coroner's Jury Exonerates Driver of Blame in School Boy's Death

Darting across the road in front seven trout. of a car. Charles E. Evey, aged 11. his daughters, aged 12 and 14 years. son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Evey, 8:15 o'clock Tuesday morning.

youth, playing games with a group each morning at the C. M. Johnson who was traveling toward

Miss Shoemaker swerved her car (Continued on page stx)

Daniel Snyder Real

At a public sale of the real estate of the late Daniel N. Snyder of Bellefonte, held by the Bellefonte Pinch-Hitter Steals Show at Trust Company at the Court House Saturday morning, six properties were disposed of for a total of \$10,-

The Daniel Snyder homestead property on North Allegheny street. A pinch-hitter stole the show a went to the deceased's son, Donald the annual Jefferson Day dinner Snyder, for \$3,000.

ing at 37 and 39 Pine street, for mittee of Centre county.

at the rear of the former Smith en from all parts of Centre and ad-

Auctioneer L. Frank Mayes, of Le- in mont, was in charge of the sale.

Harry Keller, 35, Tells Mother And Daughter

Plans are being completed for the annual Mother and Daughter ban-quet to be held at the Y. M. C. A. on Thursday, May 9, at 6 o'clock. The affair is being sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. A tur-key dinner will be served.

The Mother and Daughter banquet is not a money-making venture, but is a real social affair for the women and girls of the Y. At-Brutally beaten about the head tendance is entirely voluntary and and face during a "ride" on which tickets may be secured from Mrs. J. he was taken by companions last H. Caum, Mrs. D. A. Grove, Mrs. O. Wednesday night, Harry Keller, aged A. Kline, Mrs. Bayard Magee, Mrs. 35, of Pleasant Gap, was found yes- E. O. Struble, Mrs. L. C. Heineman terday afternoon in a semi-dazed and at the Y. M. C. A. Only those condition at his home when Sheriff purchasing tickets in advance will be

struck a heavy blow on the left side of his head with the butt of an old muzzle-loading and The **Angling Case**

Milesburg Man Takes Appeal From Charge of Fishing Out of Season

Charged with possession of trout in the views of the body, which was before the opening of the season, notified the Sheriff's office. Sheriff D. P. Sherry, of Milesburg, manu-Miller and Deputy Hugg went to the facturer of electric welders, was some upon their return from an- fined \$70 and the costs of prosecution Monday morning when arraigned before Justice of the Peace Harold D .Cowher, at his offices on East Bishop street.

Seven trout were found in Mr. Sherry's possession, Sunday night, Wardens Thomas Mosier, David Killed By Car Dahlgren and Samuel B. Reed conended. The fine represents \$10 for

At the hearing, the wardens testified that Sherry was arrested along Spring Creek near Milesburg about 6:30 o'clock Sunday night. In his car was found a jar containing the

son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer C. Evey, to the creek to instruct them in the of Pine Hall, was instantly killed at art of fishing. They were along the Waiting for a bus to take him to creek about one hour, he said, and waiting for a bus to take him to when they returned to the car they school at Pine Grove Mills, the found the jar containing the fish inof about 15 other children who meet side. Sherry said he presumed they were placed there by someone who garage, ran out into the road in the knew his car and expected to ride path of a car driven by Miss back to town with him. The arrest path of a car driven by Miss was made shortly after Sherry and Blanche Shoemaker, of Pine Grove his daughters returned to the car.

The defendant was given five days' time in which to pay the fines or sharply to avoid striking the lad, appeal the case. Since he has decided to take matters to court, the fine will be held in abeyance pending the decision of the court.

Estate Brings \$10,250 "Ghost" Speaker Heard At Rally

Annual Jefferson Day Dinner

held Friday night at the Nittany

William H. Brouse, of Bellefonte, Lion Inn. State College, under the purchased the double frame dwell- sponsorship of the Democratic Com-

The double frame dwelling at 41 for the principal address when the lows: and 43 Pine street was knocked scheduled speakers, Dr. Herbert Co-Mr. down to C. F. Hoy, of Zion, for \$1,- hen, of York county, and Dr. Luther Harr, Philadelphia City Treasurer, Niles Davis purchased the frame were unable to be present, was Dr. house on East Linn street, for years Robert White, city comptroller of the home of the Morton Smith fam- Philadelphia, and recent candidate street, fruit bars.

for Mayor of that city. One of the two frame dwellings | Nearly 300 persons, men and womhome and facing on East Lamb joining counties, who filled the spac- street, angel food cake. street, went to James C. Furst, at- lous dining room to capacity for the torney, for \$1.375. The other house event, sat mostly at the edges of was sold to Clarence Hamilton for their chairs during Dr. White's hour-long, rather informal address, which, strangely enough, the sub-(Continued on page three)

Over Thousand Volumes Added To Library Since First of Year

over one thousand volumes have been added to the book collection of the Centre County Library since January 1, 1940. Some of the books added during the Jast two weeks are as follows: Llewellyn—How Green was my Valley: "Elizabeth"—Mr. Skeffington; Bentley—Power and the Glory; Levant—Smattering of Levant—Levant and bad Medicine; Richter—Trees; cook book; Califf—Permanent bird of many flags and mode of male and flags and flowers; Story Standard Postage of the flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is benear us flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers flowers flowers flags and follow-up visits. It is beneary flowers fl

Over one thousand volumes have a Leaf; Maugham-East and West; Aaron-Good health trade secrets; Pennsylvania Dutch

Murder Photos

Banquet Here May 9 14 Views By Centre Democrat Cameraman To Be Studied

> ENLARGEMENT MAY REVEAL NEW CLUES

Source of Handkerchief Found at Shiloh Church Being Traced

The negatives of fourteen pic-tures taken at the scene of the Rachel Taylor slaying by a Centre burg headquarters, as investigators in effect were rigidly observed. sought new clues in their efforts to track down the slayer of the 17year-old Penn State co-ed.

The Centre Democrat photos, the only ones known to have been taken at the Lemont school house March 23, before the body of the girl was taken to the Koch Funeral Home at State College, included three different views of the scene showing the position of the slain girl's body at the time it was found. Underclothing which apparently had been thrown above her head are shown

(Continued on page seven) Aged Physician Dies At Millheim

Dr. G. S. Frank, 80, Succumbs; Was Former County Coroner



Centre county's oldest practicing physician, Dr. George Schmucker Frank, one-time county coroner died at 1:15 o'clock on Saturday afternoon at his home on Penn street. Millheim, after a two weeks' tilness with a complication of diseases. He had been in failing health for some

Dr. Frank, last surviving member of a group of Centre county physicians honored in 1933 by the Pennsylvania State Medical Society for fifty years of active practice in their

A son of distinguished parentage (Continued on page six)

Tasty Dishes Given Out at Cooking School

Dishes prepared at the first session of the Centre Democrat cooking school at the Y. M. C. A. yester-The man who was called upon day afternoon were awarded as fol-

Mrs. C. W. Blair, Milesburg, blackberry jam cake. Mary Krape, Aaronsburg, savory chicken Mrs. D. F. Houser,

Mrs. E. H. Adams, N. street, ple Mary Alexander, South Mrs. Brooks Binns, North

Mrs. William P. Sieg. Place, Swedish tea ring Mrs. L. P. Croft, Willowbank street, beans.

Mrs. C. L. Krape, Hublersburg, injury

Mrs. John Neese, North Thomas head-on. street, lima beans. Mrs. E. Proudfoot. Crider's Exchange, wax beans Mrs. R. Allen Cruse, East Linn

Brouse Re-elected President of Elks

street, peas.

William H. Brouse was re-elected policy not to take sides in any Pri-president of the Bellefonte Elks mary campaign, but in this instance and bad Medicine; Richter—Trees; cook book; Califf—Permanent bird Club at a meeting held Monday since Mrs. Merrell is the only Cen-Taylor—Of men and Music; Cecil— Houses; Scott's Standard Postage night at the Elks home on West tre county candidate for the office,

Anglers Suffer From Cold As 1940 Trout Season Opens

under way.

It was ideal weather for hunting

stern by a vast army of fishermen, longer stand the cold. considered to be a fair catch.

terest in what was transpiring. Angleworms were the most effec-

Low-hanging clouds and a cold. Cars were parked in long lines pitter wind which froze ice along along the roads bordering Spring he edges of the streams of Centre Creek as fishermen sat, stood and county greeted first day anglers here shivered shoulder to shoulder along Monday as the 1940 trout season got the banks, trying to find enough

> On some streams, the number of reason. Everywhere camp fires, cars

who, according to reports, had what One of the largest trout caught in this locality on the opening day Some went home early with the of the season was a rainbow measday's limit, while others gave up uring 24 inches and weighing 5 when trout failed to show much in- pounds, 2 ounces.

tive lure, while a few fishermen had Bellefonte, early Monday morning. fair success with wet and dry flies while he was angling in Spring Democrat photographer, were taken fair success with wet and dry flies while he was angling in Spring in custody yesterday by members of and artificial lures. Along the posted Creek, just below the Lamb street the State Motor Police from Harris- areas of Spring Creek, the new rules bridge inside the borough limits. (Continued on page seven)

Youth Held On Pills Cause Child's Death Hit-Run Charge

Police Claim Lock Haven Dies After Eating Medi-High Student's Car Hit Local Boy

An apparently clueless hit-andof the kind of sleuthing for which the Chief has long been known. State College, died at his parental The driver arrested in connection home at 8 o'clock Saturday night as man, aged 18, son of Walter Tallman, of 5 South Grove Street, Lock

lice that he did not stop because he believed he had only "brushed" Eckenroth as the latter stepped out into North Allegheny Street in front of the Boston Candy Kitchen. When arraigned before Justice of the Peace Harold D. Cowher, of East Bishop Street, later in the morning, Tallman entered a plea of

Banjo Band Will-**Give Concert Here**

(Continued on page six)

Accordion Band, Solos, And Dancing on Program For May 3

The State Theatre, Bellefonte, will be the scene of the Bellefonte Banjo Band concert on Friday, May 3. profession, had prescribed for office sented by the band in Bellefonte their strength for the honorary pos-This will be the first concert presince 1936, although before that year | itior the concerts were an annual event. For the last three years the band has busied itself outside of Bellefonte, playing in most nearby cities. May 9 will find the band in Tyrone playing its fourth annual concert at the YMCA theatre and the usual (Continued on page seven)

Near Spring Mills

Two persons were injured about two miles east of Spring Mills, Saturday night in a two-car collision, in which one machine damaged the Willowbank extent of about \$350 was slightly scorched by flames which broke out

after the crash. The injured were: Martha Foley, Spring of Washington, D. C., lacerations of the face and head, and George Stine, Spring of Millheim, lacerations of the face and head. Mrs. Stine was a passen-Burnham ger in a car operated by Elwood L. Foley, of Washington. Stine was a passenger in a car driven by H. A. Orwig, of Aaronsburg, who escaped

State Motor Police at Pleasant Adaline Resides, Milesburg, lima Gap said the cars were traveling in directions and collided

> A Deserving Candidate Centre county Democrats could perform a no more creditable act at the Primaries, Tuesday, than to vote to send Mrs. Lucy Howe Merrell of Philipsburg, to Chicago, to rep-

resent the 23rd Congressional Dis-

trict as delegate.

The Centre Democrat has a rigid policy not to take sides in any Prisince Mrs. Merrell is the only Cen-

clear space in which to cast a line.

and the general aspect of the weath- anglers in evidence was noticeably er was reminiscent of late Novem- lower than on other first days, the ber, rather than the fringes of cold weather being assigned as the Despite the bitter cold and the and trailers were used as places of inauspicious conditions, the county's temporary retreat from the low temtreams were frayed from stem to peratures when fishermen could no

The monster was caught by Edward Nelson, of East Lamb street,

Peck's store, Nittany. He is believed

cine Found in Father's Coat Pocket Mistaking pills he found in his run accident in Bellefonte on Sun- father's coat pocket for candy, day night. April 7, was solved here Charles Joseph Toscano, aged 1 Monday by Chief of Police Harry year, 4 months, and 26 days, only Dukeman, Bellefonte, after a week child of Joseph and Oiga Ligi Tos-State College, died at his parental

with the accident is Christy Tall- the result of eating the medicine. Early in the afternoon the child while playing about the house, removed from his father's coat pocket Taken into custody Monda7 an envelope containing pills for morning by Chief Dukeman, and whigh blood pressure. About 3 o'clock Officer Ralph Eyer, of Bellefonte, at his mother saw the torn envelope on the Lock Haven High School where the floor and some of the pills scathe is a student, Tallman told po- tered about. The child showed no of illness, and Mrs. Toscano (Continued on Page 2)

Few Contests In **Primary Election**

State College Voters Interested in Outcome of School Bond Vote

Aside from one local contest the primary election to be held in Centre county on Tuesday, April 23, is devoid of great popular interest in

The lone contest involving Centre countians is for the office of State Committeeman on the Republican ticket. Former Judge M. Ward Fleming, of Bellefonte, and John G. Love, also of Bellefonte, are matching

Another vote which will be watched with considerable interest in the State College area is a special election on a proposal to increase the bonded indebtedness of the State College school district in the amount of \$110,000 for a new school build-

Claude G. Aikens, of Boalsburg, is Republican candidate for delegate to the National Convention. Two delegates are to be placed and there (Continued on page three)

Madisonburg Man Is Injured By Car

Charles Rachau, 60, Madisonburg. s a patient in the Centre County Hospital receiving treatment for a idences, he thought, that the pig had dislocated knee and contusions of the right arm and head which he suffered when struck by a car in water from the cistern, the neces-Madisonburg about 8:15 o'clock sity of getting the pig's remains out

Florence M. Beckenbaugh, Madisonburg, was driving down a hill in ican Lime and Stone Company, bor-Madisonburg and was unable to rowed a couple of suction pumps avoid Rachau while she was passing and after some hours the bottom of another car, motor police said. Rachau's condition is not regard- fixed a ladder in place and lighting ed as serious.

Market on Curb Saturday The farmers who held their semiweekly market in the Bush Arcade during the winter months will again occupy their respective places on the curb at the Diamond, Bellefonte, Market will be held every Saturday and Wednesday, from 6 to 11 a. m.

Nittany Man Fires Bullet Through Head

Wilbur I. Yearick, 34, Is Found Dead in Bedroom of Home

FATAL SHOT HEARD BY VICTIM'S FAMILY

Conditions Believed Reason For Act

Worry Over Health, War

This decision was reached shortly after the tragedy by Centre County Coroner Charles Sheckler, of Miles-

burg. Sheckler added that the man was reported to have been despondent because of ill health and because of war conditions. Yearick is reported to have fired the shot which caused instant death at about 1:10 o'clock, in his bed-

to have retired and then got up and dressed himself. Members of the family who had not retired and who were gathered downstairs heard a report and upon investigating found the man life-

oom at the family home near

(Continued on page seven) Record Crowd At

Cooking School Sessions Today and Friday; Hundreds Pleased With

First Day's Class The thing housewives praise mos about this year's all-electric Home- Driver Exonerated The Centre Democrat is that it's so practical. There's none of the caviar and champagne sort of thing . . all the suggestions are for common

lack of advertising. Opening the first class, Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. Dorothy Bathmost of whom felt they were welcoming an old friend, for Mrs. Bath- county coroner. gate's lectures have always been

popular here. recipes. She announced that she (Continued on page 3)

Rumor American Store

A persistent rumor going the not be officially confirmed, was to Milesburg Presbyterian church, offioperator of chain groceries, has Curtin cemetery. leased the room in the Brockerhoff The child darted between two cars Hotel building on the Diamond, formerly occupied by the A. & P. Weston machine which was report-

Cistern Tragedy Turns Out To Be Haystack Comedy

Joe Blazina, who lives on Collins Row, near Bellefonte, counted his pigs one day last week and found one of them missing. There were evfallen into the cistern. Since the family gets its drinking

of the water was apparent So Joe, who works for the Amer the cistern became visible. The man

ndication that one had been there. As he emerged, perplexed, from the cistern his eye happened to fall on a nearby haystack. Crawling out of the hay with all widences of having had a long and satisfying sleep, was the missing pig.

a lantern crawled to the bottom.

There was no pig corpse or any

LOSE LIFE IN BLAZE

Hartranft May Be **New Head of School**

Fire Destroys Roof Of Milesburg Home

The roof of one Milesburg residence was destroyed and two neigh- FINAL ACTION TO boring buildings were slightly damaged about 7:30 Sunday night when fire broke out at the Elmer Gordon ome in that community.

Believed to have originated from a spark on the shingle roof of the Gordon home, the blaze caused small outbreaks in the adjoining homes of M. E. Flynn and William

Milesburg firemen were assisted in fighting the fire by members of Board to succeed Horatio S. Moore, Wilbur Irvin Yearick, aged 34, of the Undine Fire Company, Belle- resigned, hinges upon whether or Nittany, ended his life early Mon- fonte. Loss to the Gordon residence, not the board will rescind its recent day morning by firing a bullet from estimated at more than \$500, includa 38-caliber revolver through his ed fire and water damage to the roof and upper floors.

Stone Wall Is **Cause Of Suit**

Blanchard Man Claims \$2,500 Damages; Says Wall Halts Drainage

viding two properties in Blanchard, less on the floor. The bureau drawers Liberty township, is the cause of a \$2,500 damage suit instituted in the Centre county Courts this week. The suit was instituted by Darl J. Heverly, of Blanchard, who claims that because Mr. and Mrs. James J. Martin, who occupy the adjoining property, erected a stone wall 18

nches high on the line, the natural

drainage of water from the Heverly

to the Martin lots has been stopped

A stone wall erected on a line di-

Heverly claims that his lot, con-(Continued on Page 2)

In Death of Child everyday housekeeping. Another James Shuey, Jr., aged 2, of Miles-double parking and speeding, and thing the women appreciate is the burg, last Wednesday night, was ab- other traffic rules will be enforced in solved of blame by a Coroner's Jury Bellefonte. which met at the Wetzler Funeral This decision was reached by Bor-Home, Milesburg, Thursday night, ough Council, Monday night, when gate was introduced to her audience. The inquest was in charge of members of the police force and

Witnesses heard included Weston, borough laws are not enforced. his brother, Harold: Theodore Mrs. Bathgate was generous with Dubbs, and DeLaun Holt, all passengers in the Weston car at the time would be the hostess and pretend of the accident; Mrs. Mary Baird, the "drives" have bogged down after of Milesburg, and Pvt. William Howell, of the Pleasant Gap sub-station ment again returned to a hit and

State Motor Police. Funeral services for the child, son Leased A. & P. Room of Mr. and Mrs. James Shuey of no new factors at Council to ex-Milesburg, were held Sunday after- plain lack of enforcement. Police noon at the family home, with the have contended that when they isrounds yesterday, but which could Rev. H. E. Oakwood, pastor of the sue tags for violations, the Mayor the effect that the American Stores, ciating. Interment was made in the

ed to have been traveling at a low The A. & P. lease on the building speed. He died shortly after being is reported to have expired on April brought to the Centre County Hospital here.

Lee Tice Gets \$1860

vesterday was named Junior Field roll, in Sugar Valley, Clinton coun-Agent in the Parole Supervision of- ty. fices of the Pennsylvania Depart- The three are: Mrs. Helen C. Fenment of Justice, at Bellefonte The stemaker, George W. Wagner and post carries an annual salary of \$1,- his son, Gardner

Corsica, who has been affiliated with fine was defined as \$500 for the takthe Bellefonte field staff for several ing of undersized trout and \$280 for years. When Harry V. Keeler was catching 28 over their combined sheriff, Tice was his chief deputy.

Is Sole Nominee For Post; Will Accept Only on Own Terms

BE TAKEN FRIDAY Brouse, Schad, Balk At

Demand That Stock Be Cleared Election of Horace J. Hartranft as president of the Bellefonte School

action in requesting Supervising Principal Earl K. Stock for his res-This development came to the surface at a special meeting called by Mr. Hartranft, acting as vice president, Tuesday night. Hartranft, nominated to the presidency by board member William H. Brouse declined to accept the office unless

the board acted upon a five-point rogram which he presented. A discussion of the individual demands made by Mr. Hartranft showed the board at variance on only one of the stipulations-the one calling for a recall of the Stock

resignation request. Members Brouse and Schad both interposed objections to that point, but Hartranft remained firm and contended that unless that request as well as the others, are met, he will not serve as president Final action in the matter of

(Continued on Page 6) Traffic Laws To **Be Enforced Here**

Council Orders Mayor And Police to Curb Parking Violations

Beginning tomorrow, Friday, the Earl Weston, of Julian, R. D., dri- two-hour parking laws in the busiver of a car which fatally injured ness district, regulations against

Charles Sheckler, Milesburg, Centre Mayor Hardman P. Harris appeared at Council's request to explain why For a number of years Council periodically has attempted to en-

force laws, but on every occasion

several weeks' time and law enforcemiss basis. The Mayor and police brought out

Three Trout Fishermen Are

Fined \$860

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Fines totaling \$860 were levied against a Williamsport R. D. woman and her brother and nephew State Position Here from York, after they were arrested by Game Protector Miles Reeder on Lee Tice. of Howard, deputy sher- a charge of taking 58 fingerling iff under the former administration, trout from Wagner Run, near Car-

At a hearing before Alderman T. Tice succeeds William Lucas, of Mark Brungard, Lock Haven, their

Crippled Children Receive Aid Through Community Fund

The Bellefonte Community Wel-fare Drive will open officially on Thursday, May 2, at a dinner for all Hublersburg, and Spring township the workers, including the executive board, captains, their lieutenants, and teams. To it will be invited cept for lending their cars for transheads of the agencies on the assist- portation to and from the orthoance list, all of whom will report pedic clinic and their interest in the on their yearly activities and 1940 project as one of their main objections and requirements. tives, the Kiwanians have turned

As the day approaches, the public over their active work to a com-grows increasingly interested in the lasting value of the investment it Club, which attends to all investi-Two hundred young chickens lost their lives early last Wednesday evening when fire destroyed a small will are firm of Neff & Son, Howard Funer-property near Anonsburg. The blaze the lives the lives the lives the lives that money invested in the health of the less fortunate out-building on the Frank Barker property near Anonsburg. The blaze the lives the lives the lives that a thorough job is being done in canvassing the territory for new cases.

The local crippled children's complete the livestment is club, which attends to all investigations and follow-up visits. It is been derstands that money invested in the health of the less fortunate children of the community, and in the upbuilding of their bodily.