

## BEGIN NURSERY BUILDING PROGRAM

### Five New Structures Scheduled at Howard

Is Part of Large-Scale Plan to Expand Centre County Project  
80 CCC ENROLLEES, 35 MEN EMPLOYED  
4,500,000 Trees and Plants Shipped From Project Since Last Fall

With the acquisition of a 76-acre tract of land in Curtin township, July 1, 1940, the Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, will launch an extensive building program at the Howard Nursery. It was learned from reliable sources here yesterday.

Scheduled for immediate construction are five buildings; a packing and grading house, a carpenter shop, a tool storage building, a seed extraction plant, and a cone storage structure. The largest building will be the packing and grading house, which will be 60 by 100 feet in size. The four other buildings will be 26 by 50 feet each.

The building will be part of a large group of structures eventually to be constructed for the operation of the tree, grass and shrub nursery, which began operations in a small way in November 1937 for the production of nursery stock for the control of erosion and conservation of soil.

At the nursery, located 1 mile west of Mt. Eagle, 50 acres are now under intensive cultivation. In addition to 80 CCC enrollees steadily employed on the project, 35 local

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### Storm Wreaks Heavy Damage East of Town

Cloudburst Causes Worst Flood in History of Jacksonville  
HOMES FLOODED, HIGHWAYS BLOCKED  
Fields and Crops Badly Washed; Inches of Mud Cover Lowlands

Damages estimated at more than \$5,000 resulted from a cloudburst in the Jacksonville area, late Sunday afternoon which caused the worst flood in the memory of the oldest inhabitants of that region. Another severe storm, Sunday afternoon, added to the damage.

The estimated \$5,000 includes only damage to property, and does not take into consideration the washed-out fields, ruined crops and other havoc caused by the high water, including highway damages.

Saturday's storm continued for about an hour during which time water poured in great volumes from the mountains nearby Jacksonville and eastward to the Centre-Clinton county line. Small runs were changed into raging torrents and muddy streams made their appearance in every low place.

Several inches of muddy water covered the first floors in the following Jacksonville homes: Miles

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### Mammoth Crowd Expected For Flag Day Fete Here Tomorrow

Preparations are complete for one of the largest and most significant Flag Day programs ever held in Bellefonte. Clark N. Alkey, chairman of the Elks committee in charge of the celebration here tomorrow announced last night.

Beginning with a parade at 4 p. m. the program will include the Elks' solemn ritual depicting the development of the Stars and Stripes; a mammoth parade in which civic and patriotic organizations from parts of Pennsylvania will take part, and a number of social activities in the evening.

In order to assure ample room for the parade as well as to keep the curbs clear of vehicles so spectators can have an unobstructed view of the parade, all parking will be prohibited on the following streets from noon tomorrow until after the parade: Allegheny street from Howard to Bishop street; High street from Thomas to the Diamond; Lamb street, from Allegheny to Thomas.

The parade, with Captain Herbert M. Beezer as marshal, will form on Lamb street beginning at 3:30 p. m. to prepare to move at 4 p. m. over the following route: on Lamb street to Thomas street, on Thomas to High to Spring, on Spring to Bishop, on Bishop to Allegheny, on Allegheny to 40th, on High to Spring to Howard, on Howard to Allegheny, and on Allegheny to the Diamond, where units will be assembled in front of the Court House for the Flag Day program.

Stores, business places and industries in Bellefonte have been asked to close in time to permit employees to witness the parade and ceremonies.

The history of the flag will be recited by John G. Love, and as each change in the development of the national emblem is mentioned, the flag showing the change will be presented by members of Bellefonte Boy Scout Troop No. 6.

The Flag Day address will be given by W. H. Smith, of Punks-tawney, past state commander of

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### Tax Rate For Woman, 70, Charged With Murder, Insane

Schad Revamps Committees as Blaney Takes Seat on Board  
DISCUSS FINANCING OF NEW BUILDING  
Board Forsees Changes Through Re-Rating of School District

Fixing of the school rate for Bellefonte borough at the same schedule as for last year, and reappointment of committees were high lights of a regular meeting of the school board, Monday night.

The tax rate is to continue at 24 mills, with the per capita tax remaining at \$4.

Centre County Farm Agent R. C. Blaney, who last week was appointed by Judge Ivan Walker to serve out the unexpired term of Horatio S. Moore, resigned, was present at the session and in a reorganization of committees by President Franklin B. Schad, was made chairman of the building committee.

The new committee appointments are:

Finance: W. H. Brouse, chairman, and Horace J. Hartman.

Building: R. C. Blaney, chairman, and Bossart DeHaas.

Supplies: Mr. Hartman, chairman, and Mr. Brouse.

Committees were reduced from a

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### Prisoner Has Brief Liberty

Trusty Apprehended Near McAleavy's Fort After 36 Hours' Freedom

A 38-year-old Rockview prisoner who escaped from the institution Saturday morning, was captured shortly before 11 o'clock Sunday night as he walked along the highway near Donation, between McAleavy's Fort and Huntingdon.

The fugitive was G. W. Kimmel, serving a 3 to 8 year sentence from Fayette county on a charge of assault with intent to rob. Kimmel, a trusty employed as a carpenter, was engaged in fitting screens in a building on the hog lots about 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning when he disappeared.

The hunt for him was well under way before noon, with bloodhounds guarding the creek between his movements from the time he left the hog lots.

Guards were stationed at all important crossroads and late Sunday

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### Howard Man Killed In Fall

John F. Wert, 64, Falls From High Ladder at Lock Haven Mill

John F. Wert, 64, of Howard, R. D., was instantly killed when his skull was fractured in a fall from a high ladder at the Lock Haven Paper Mill at 8:50 Monday morning.

Mr. Wert who lives near Howard, was said to have had a heart attack. Dr. W. J. Shoemaker, coroner, declared that Mr. Wert had been suffering from a heart condition for some time.

Mr. Wert was driving a mill when suddenly he was struck and fell from the ladder. Coroner Shoemaker said there would not be an inquest.

Mr. Wert is survived by five sons, two daughters and a stepson; Ralph and Clair, Mill Hill; Charles, Mill Hill, R. D.; Paul and Ernest, Lock Haven; Mrs. Walter Leathers, Salona, R. D.; and Mrs. Glenn Fravel, Howard, and Lee Eck, Renovo. A sister, Mrs. Joseph Davis, Pittsburgh, also survives.

The funeral will take place this Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock and burial will be in the Schenck cemetery at Howard. The Rev. William M. Long will officiate.

Mr. Wert was born in Millheim and resided for the past 30 years at Mill Hill and Howard, R. D. He had been employed by the New York and Pennsylvania Company for 29 years.

### 1160 Graduate At Penn State

83 Centre Countians Get Bachelor Degrees; 10 Advanced Ratings

President Ralph D. Hetzel Monday presented baccalaureate and advanced degrees to a record high at the June commencement exercises of the Pennsylvania State College.

Among the diplomas awarded were 93 to Centre countians—10 advanced and 83 baccalaureate degrees. All of the advanced and 60 of the baccalaureate degrees were granted to students from State College.

Centre countians receiving advanced degrees were the following: Adams, doctor of philosophy in psychology; William L. Barr, master of science in agricultural economics; Matilda E. Bell, master of education in dramatics; Franklin H. Cook, master of arts in economics; M. May Dunaway, master of arts in English literature; Clifford R. Horn, master of science in petroleum engineering; Harvett Nesbitt, master of arts in science; Eleanor L. Robinson, master of science in psychology; Harold W. Weigel, doctor of philosophy in German; Lavetta B. Wright, master of arts in French.

Those from the county receiving baccalaureate degrees are listed by towns below:

Bellefonte: Martha J. Barnhart.

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### Gap Woman's Club Installs Officers

Officers of the Pleasant Gap Woman's Club who were inducted into office last week are: Mrs. W. J. Tucker, president; Mrs. Nevin Adkins, first vice president; Mrs. Thomas Foss, second vice president; Mrs. Harry Spear, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Paul Gettig, recording secretary; Mrs. S. E. Noll, treasurer; Mrs. Clayton Poorman and Mrs. Ralston Derr, members-at-large.

Chairmen of the club's standing committees are: education, Mrs. Hugh Crumlish; finance, Mrs. Roy Adkins; citizenship, Mrs. D. M. Hutchinson; program, Mrs. Adkins; membership, Mrs. Thomas Foss; cultural, Mrs. Carl Gettig; hospital, Mrs. W. D. Herman; publicity, Mrs. Clifton Hippie; welfare, Mrs. George Mergel, Jr. and library, Miss Bertha Rimmer.

The club is sponsoring a festival to be held at Pleasant Gap on Saturday, June 22.

### Organize Paving Materials Business

Maj. R. T. Smith One of Founders; Will Serve Extensive Area

Bellefonte has become the home of a new business establishment, known as the Sasquehanna Paving Materials Company.

The establishment came into being last week, its organizers being Major Ralph T. Smith, of Bellefonte, and P. H. Berry, of Harrisburg. Mr. Smith, a well known Bellefonte native who for the past year has been agent for the Colas Company in this area, formerly was State military affairs comptroller at Harrisburg. Mr. Berry formerly was district sales manager in Pennsylvania for the Mueller Brass Company.

General offices of the business are to be located in Bellefonte, while a

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### Miles Magargel To Complete Law Course

Miles Magargel, of Washington, D. C. son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Magargel, of Pleasant Gap, will be graduated June 15 from the National Law School at Washington.

Magargel, graduate of the Bellefonte High school in the class of 1924, has been employed by the Post Office Department at Washington for some years, and plans to continue his studies after graduation. He studied law at night school; was president of the junior class and was a member of the editorial staffs of the "Midnight Oil" school publication, and of "The Docket" class yearbook. He also was liaison officer for various classes at the school.

Magargel, who was an outstanding track star while in the local high school, expects to take his bar examinations this summer.

### Fire Destroys Barn On Farm Near Yarnell

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn on the Harvey Emmlinger farm near Yarnell, Saturday night. Part of the loss is covered by insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmlinger and daughter were in Harrisburg at the time and a son, Theodore, was in Bellefonte.

Included in the loss was a mow full of straw, about 6 tons of hay, a new drill, and some lumber on the barn floor. There was no insurance on the contents of the barn.

Members of the Howard Fire Company prevented the flames from reaching nearby buildings. The barn on the Emmlinger farm was destroyed when it was struck by lightning four years ago.

### Court Signs Order Sending Mrs. Mary Weaver to Danville

Held In Death Of WILLIAM H. WALKER  
Action Follows Report Yesterday by Sanity Commission

One of Centre county's three recent murders—the least publicized one—was written off the docket as closed yesterday when Judge Ivan Walker signed an order committing Mrs. Mary Weaver, aged 70, housekeeper for the late William H. Walker, 54, of Runville, to the State Hospital for the insane at Danville.

Mrs. Weaver, charged with murder as the result of Walker's death, was declared insane yesterday morning by a commission appointed by the court to examine her. The commission, consisting of Dr. Paul M. Corman, Dr. William J. Schwartz and Attorney Philip H. Johnston, all of Bellefonte, found the woman suffering from a psychosis of the paranoid type. This finding agrees with a report submitted to the court by a brain specialist, who examined Mrs. Weaver at the county jail some weeks ago.

It was explained that persons suffering from this type of insanity may appear entirely normal at times but that their mental processes are greatly upset by unusual happenings or emergencies. They are subject to periods of depression and corresponding "high spirits," it was said. Delusions of grandeur or persecution also characterize that form of insanity.

Mrs. Weaver, who related substantially the same story to the commission yesterday, said she told officers who investigated the death of Mr. Walker, claimed that the remember-

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### Jodon Donates Lots To Gap Organizations

T. E. Jodon, well known resident of Pleasant Gap who on Saturday will hold public sale of 73 building lots in that community, this week donated two of the adjoining lots to Pleasant Gap organizations.

One of the lots was given to the Pleasant Gap Fire Company and the other to the Pleasant Gap Woman's Club. The lots are located along the main road connecting the highway and the Hornstown road in Pleasant Gap, and will be used at some future date by the organizations for building purposes. The Fire Company expects to enlarge its holdings by purchasing an adjoining lot at the sale, Saturday.

Both organizations take this means of expressing their thanks to Mr. Jodon for his generous contribution.

### Plan Fireworks Display, July 4th

12-Man Committee Named to Prepare For 2nd Annual Community Event

A 12-man committee has been named by the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce to prepare plans for the second annual July 4th fireworks celebration for the residents of Bellefonte and Centre County.

Since the sale and use of fireworks has been banned throughout the State, except the bona fide organizations, the Chamber feels that if Bellefonte citizens will contribute to the fund only a small part of what they formerly spent for such toys, the community display will exceed last year's in size and variety. All contributions should be made by check, payable to the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce Fireworks Fund. The display will be presented at the Community

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### Stroke Is Fatal To E. E. Straub

Former Well Known Bellefonte Resident Succumbs Near Philadelphia

A stroke suffered two weeks ago proved fatal to Eimer E. "Waxy" Straub, former well known Bellefonte resident, who died Sunday afternoon, June 9, 1940, at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Staples, at Lanser, near Philadelphia, where he had made his home for the past seven years.

Mr. Straub had enjoyed excellent health until two weeks ago when he was stricken ill. Taken to the Bryn Mawr hospital, his condition showed rapid improvement and he returned to the Staples home where he continued to improve until a short time before death occurred.

Mr. Straub, former employe of The Centre Democrat, was born in Benner township on August 25, 1861, making his age at time of death 78 years, 7 months and 14 days. He was a son of William and Nancy Aston Straub. His wife, the former Alice Alexander, passed away a number of years ago. Surviving in addition to the daughter, Mrs. Staples, is a brother, Milton E. Straub, of South

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### Prof. Held On Morals Charge

Penn State Instructor Jailed; Arrest Outgrowth of Murder Probe

John Arthur Mitchell, aged 35, of Boalsburg, an English instructor at the Pennsylvania State College is being held in the Centre county jail without bail on a charge of sodomy.

Mitchell was committed to jail last Thursday night after a hearing before Justice of the Peace Harold D. Cowher, of East Bishop street, Bellefonte.

Arrested through information revealed to State Police during their investigation of the Rachel Taylor slaying at Lemont, March 28, Mitchell was charged with having had illegal relations with one of his male students. At the hearing his attorney entered a plea of not guilty. Sodomy is not punishable by a Justice of the Peace.

### 351 PUPILS IN COUNTY PASS HIGH SCHOOL ENTRANCE TESTS

A total of 351 pupils in Centre County passed high school entrance examinations given recently, F. Glenn Rogers, County Superintendent of Schools announced yesterday.

Hernice Poorman, of the Milesburg schools, scored the highest grade in the tests. Two other Milesburg pupils were listed among the 30 highest grades in the examination. Other schools having pupils among the highest 30 included the Lemont and Phillipsburg schools, with 3 pupils each; and the Central City and Clarence schools, with 2 pupils each.

Following are the pupils having the 20 highest scores, listed in order beginning with the highest:

Hernice Poorman, Milesburg; Geo. Van Zant, State College; College Twp. Carmen Hess, Milesburg; Joan May, Mohnton; William Miller, Phillipsburg; Charles Grieb, Clarence; Lila Wilson, State Grove; Joan Thompson, N. Phillipsburg; John Tekeley, N. Phillipsburg; Edna Quick, Central City; Donald Blowers, Sandy

Ridge, Eileen Shive, Clarence; Claude Glenn, Milesburg; Mat Woods, S. Phillipsburg; Robert Kern, Lemont; James Saxton, Maple Grove; Freda Bouts, Lemont; Paul Reish, Lemont; John Dolan, Conowingo; Philip Lucas, Central City.

The complete list of pupils who passed the examination follows:

FRANKLIN TWP.—Dollie Hozer, Lulu Willette, Emma Johnson, Kerri Bron, Dose Benzie, Louise Houser, Pauline Witman, Catherine Jaboo, Paul Schaefer, Ruth Watkins, Betty Behers, Thelma Benner, Hazel Lucas, Frankie Casper, Kermit Ridge, John Pitzer, John Speary, Gordon Comly.

BEVERLY TWP.—Charlotte Robinson, Howard Ott, Philip Lucas, Kenneth Korman, Milton Quick, Vernal Poorman, Martin Reese, Mildred Kolderman, Kenneth Robinson, Thomas Pitzer, Matilda Meamer, Miriam Murray, LaVern Poorman, Laura Confer, Kenneth Poorman, Edna Quick, Dean Davidson, Betty Henderson, Bernice Alkey, Richard Allen, Martin Herold, Walter Watson.

BURKETTSBURGH TWP.—Hayward Fishelka, Alma Viehdorfer, David Collier, Eleanor Hodge, Betty Dixon.

COLLEGE TWP.—Margaret Bath-

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### Lightning Strikes Man Milking Cow

Charles Markle, former resident of Pine Grove Mills, now employed on the Roy Gates farm in Sinking Valley, was struck by lightning Saturday evening while he was milking a cow.

He was rushed to the Altoona Hospital where he is reported to be responding nicely to treatment.

### Resigns From Church Office

Col. W. Fred Reynolds Terminates More Than Half a Century of Active Work

Announcement was made this week of the resignation of Col. W. Fred Reynolds as Senior Warden and Vestryman of St. John's Episcopal church, Bellefonte, after more than a half century of active work in the official body of that congregation.

Col. Reynolds, who is nearing his 80th birthday, has served uninterruptedly for the past 57 years as a member of the Vestry. He has been Senior Warden for the past 35 years, and for 56 years he has been delegate from St. John's to the Diocesan

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### Telephone Employees Receive Promotions

Three young women, members of the Bell Telephone Company's operating staff in Bellefonte, have received promotions.

Miss Lucille M. Ulrich, 222 South Spring street, was promoted to supervisor. She had been a supervisor since December 4, 1938.

Miss Eleanor S. Armstrong, 398 East Bishop street, was named supervisor. She had been a senior operator since August 7, 1938.

Miss Rose E. Bennett, 13 West High street, an operator, was named senior operator.

### Eleven Confirmed At St. John's Church

Eleven persons were confirmed at services held in St. John's Episcopal church, Bellefonte, Sunday night, with the Right Reverend Wyatt Brown, D. D., Litt. D., L. L. D., Bishop of Harrisburg, officiating.

Following the ceremony the Woman's Auxiliary of the church held a reception for the Bishop and Confirmands, in the parish house. A number of the congregation attended the reception.

Members of the confirmation class who will receive their first Communion in a body on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock are: Mrs. George I. Furnell, Sr., Miss Polly Lee Insley, Mrs. William F. Cox, Elizabeth Anne Cruse, Lois Marie Derr, Betty Jane Garman, Ellen Quigley, Betty Lou Whitecar, Robert Allen Cruse, Edward Jackson MacNichol, and Herbert Stanley Mallin.

### Donkey Baseball At Pleasant Gap

Members of the Pleasant Gap Fire Company will meet the Pleasant Gap baseball team in a game of donkey baseball to be played on the baseball field at Pleasant Gap on Tuesday, June 18, beginning at 8:30 p. m. Both teams will ride bulky Texas donkeys during the game.

Admission to the game, which promises plenty of fun for everyone, will be 25 cents for adults and 10 cents for children.