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GARDNER IS INDICTED FOR MURDER

Grand Jury Regres Gets 300 Pound Bear First Air Mail Pickup Local Banks Draftees Leave For True Bill in Slaying

Trial Continued Until Kenneth Mayes Gets February at Request of Defense Attorney

Three Actions on Docket Are Nol-Prossed

Monday indicted Garfield Gardner. 60-year-old Osceola Mills miner, neighbor, Mrs. Jane Miller, 40,

District Attorney Musser W. Gettig announced yesterday that Gard- one shot by Mr. Talbott. ner will not go on trial at the December court, a continuance of the case until February having been granted at the request of Gardner's attorney. James C. Furst, of Belle-

Mrs. Miller received the fatal wound late August 31, while she and other members of her family were in the kitchen of their home. Gardner entered the kitchen, became angered when Mrs. Miller ordered him to leave and allegedly produced a gun which he fired at the woman. Of nine bills acted upon Monday,

1 not true bill, and three actions were not prossed. True bills returned were:

Harold Ream, Pleasant Gap, hit unit (Continued on page seven)

Collection of Old

The Junior Section of the Belle- | Capt. Shope declared that the fonte Woman's Club, currently en- order for mobilization marks the gaged in collecting old toys for re- beginning the public to collect old toys imme- other preparations for encampment. diately so that workers have time to Those who reside in or near Bellerepair them and repaint them.

tributed some 400 toys in this area, siding at a distance from headquarand it is hoped to increase the ters will live at the armory, just

42-R, or Mrs. O. T. Lambert, tele- named later. phone 744-J., and they will arrange to call for the toys.

separate from the one being conducted in the Y. M. C. A.

Milesburg Home Has

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed clothing, a dresser and other articles in a bedroom of the Herbert Hockenberry home at Central City about 11 o'clock Saturday night. Damage was confined to one room. The building is owned by Mrs. Willis

The Milesburg Fire Company and the Logan Company of Bellefonte were called to the scene and their effective work prevented the spread of the flames. The fire was discovered ten minutes after the family gate the numbers needed and cost had returned home

a car in Tyrone borough Saturday in putting on a health project in night, at Third street and Washing- the schools. ton avenue. Driver of the car was John Fisher, Tyrone R. D. 3, police December monthly meeting night revealed. Houck was taken to Phil- falls on Christmas Eve, there will ipsburg State hospital.

200-Pound Bear Kenneth Mayes, son of L. Frank

INDICTMENTS FOUND Mayes, of Lemont, became one of Centre county's more fortunate IN 4 OTHER CASES hunters, Wednesday afternoon of ast week when he shot and killed a 200-pound bear near Beartown, in Jury Ignores One Bill; the Alleghenies near Snow Shoe. Members of the hunting party were: J. H. O'Brien, William T. O'-Brien, Clair Hall, Joe Shoemaker, R. D. Shoemaker, William C. Shoe-A Centre County Grand Jury on maker, W. Bruce Talbott, Pete Corl, John Harbaugh and Mr. Myers, During the hunt, Mr. Talbott, for murder in the death of his Bellefonte attorney, shot at a bear, struck it in the neck and saw it roll mother of eight children. Mrs. over. When he walked to the spot Miller died on October 25 at the he could not find the animal. He Philipsburg State Hospital, 55 days later learned that the following day after she was shot through the another hunter had come upon a dead bear, shot once through the neck. It is believed that it was the

Be Mobilized

Bellefonte Battery Slated to Go to Camp Shelby, Miss., Jan. 19

Battery B., 190th Field Artillery, the Grand Jury found 5 true bills. Bellefonte, has received mobilization orders, according to an announcement this week by Capt. Frederick L. Shope, commanding officer of the

The Battery is to mobilize on January 3, 1941, and is scheduled to leave for Camp Shelby, Miss., on January 19, according to the official Toys Now Under Way orders. The unit consists of 65 ensted men and four officers,

juvenation for distribution among period for the local guardsmen. Bethe children of needy families in ginning at once Battery members Bellefonte and vicinity, appeals to will undergo drills, daily study and fonte will be permitted to continue Last year the Junior Section dis- their residence here, but those reeast of Bellefonte.

A workroom has been established Members of the troop also are in a vacant room in the Bush Ar- to dine together and arrangements cade building. West High Street, are being made to have the men Persons may take toys to the room, take their meals at some Bellefonte or call Mrs. Brooks Binns, telephone restaurant or hotel, the place to be

It is hoped to have the Battery up to its full strength of 135 men The Junior Section toy service is and four officers before leaving for camp, Capt. Shope said. He express-ed the belief that the unit would have at least one of its complement of 155 m. m. guns before the date

Slight Fire Damage EXECUTIVE BOARD OF

P. T. A. HOLDS MEETING

The Parent-Teachers Association of Bellefonte held its executive building with eight members pres-

of providing raincoats for the school patrol. Miss Dorothy Wilkinson reported that she had asked Dr. John Houck, 31, of Tyrone, suffer- Enoch Adams to suggest that the

be no mfeeting in December.

Axe Mann Couple Wedded 50 Years

The observance of the fiftieth an- chased their present comfortable niversary of the wedding of Mr. and home in Axemann, where they have of most unusual anniversaries.

band several weeks ago observed Nittany Furnace here, and was metics. their 25th anniversary, is married earning \$2.20 a day for 12 hours to Ralph Sampsel, of Axemann, work. Unskilled labor at the plant whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. John received a wage of \$1.10 for 12 hours. Sampsel, of Pleasant Gap, celebrat- After the furnace closed he engaged ed their golden wedding anniversary in the plumbing trade and at varon November 5. In other words, the lous time was employed in the

United Brethren church at Cole- tion to taking care of her well or- mitted any resignation," Early said.

Mrs. Samuel N. Ray, of Axemann, resided continuously for 35 years. Monday, marked the last of a series Mr. Ray, a remarkably well preserved man, was 70 years old last The series was unusual because of October 7, but looks at least 20 years the fact that one of Mr. and Mrs. younger. At the time of his mar- introduction to the Bellefonte area Ray's daughters, who with her hus- riage he was employed at the Old of Winifred Fayant corrective cos-



Mt. Eagle Man Kills Big Bear

Wounded Animal Charges at Hunter: Dies 11 Paces From Nimrod's Feet

William Leathers, of Mt. Eagle, had an experience he will not soon forget last Thursday while hunting bear with a party of about 30 friends in the mountains near Renovo. The hunt, however, turned out well and he came home with a fine black bear which weighed about 300 pounds hog-dressed.

Leathers was participating in drive and was standing alone on a hillside when he saw the bear approaching. He fired and struck the beast which became angered and started toward him. Leathers fired again and again, but the bear continued his menseing advance.

The hunter was becoming fearful for his own safety, and he rapidly fired the fourth It either missed or had no fired once again, and the bear held here by the B'nai Brith lodge this community, dropped in its tracks-just 11 steps The meeting was held by the Lock | Santa is to arrive on the train from where the hunter was stand- Haven chapter, with local members which will arrive here at 3:51 o'clock

The bear seemed to be in excellent condition. It was fat and its fur principal speaker, outlined general from the rear platform of the train worse steadily until his death was sleek and heavy.

Court Sentences **Escaped Prisoner**

Escape, Capture, Penalty Occur in 3 Days; Others Enter Pleas of Guilty

In a swift-moving series of events Ralph A. Howard. 24, of Huntingdon. during the weekend, a Rockview inmate escaped, was captured, and was sentenced to serve from 11/2 to 3 years additional time for less than 10 hours of liberty.

The prisoner, John C. Christner board meeting last Wednesday night left Rockview about 4 o'clock Satin the Bellefonte Trust Company urday afternoon after breaking into a car owned by Paul Musser, a ent. Reports from the following guard, and taking a 38-caliber recommittees were heard; program, volver. He unwittingly walked up to membership, publicity, hospitality, two guards parked along route 322, three miles north of State College John Dubbs and Floyd Hill were about 1:30 o'clock Sunday morning. appointed a committee to investi- and surrendered without a struggle Appearing before Judge Ivan Walker at a session of court Monday morning after the December Grand Jury had retired to begin its deliberations. Christner entered a ed a broken ankle when struck by P. T. A. cooperate with the doctors plea of guilty and heard his original sentence doubled. Justice continued to move swiftly, for within an hour It was announced that since the after sentence had been passed the (Continued on Page 7)

> BEAUTY SALON TO OPEN HERE ON DECEMBER 5

Mrs. Russell Beezer, of Bellefonte, announces the opening of the Rude-mar Beauty Salon at 10 West Bishop Street, Bellefonte, on Thursday, December 5.

All branches of beauty culture will be featured at the new salon, and all the latest models in the profession will be employed, including the of Winifred Fayant corrective cos- injuries to his right knee and right

Visitors to the salon the opening day will receive souvenir gifts.

Denies Perkins Resignation

The White House yesterday denied a car operated by Brice E. Caywood years. New instruments that have reports that Secretary of Labor of Tioga, when the car and truck been added this fall are 1 flute, 6 parents of both members of a couple Schad, Caldwell and Tate shops. Frances Perkins has submitted her driven by Harry Leathers of near B-flat clarinets, 3 slide trombones, who have been married for 25 years. About nine years ago he developed have observed their 50th wedding an heart condition which necessitation or that she had even have observed their 50th wedding anniversaries within the month.

This makes six successful years from a side road at the time of the for this organization. Starting with Samuel N. Ray and Cora E. Dubbs Mrs. Ray, who became 70 last dential secretary, said he had check- crash. Damage to the sedan was 15 members it has grown to its were united in marriage on Novem- June 28, also has been treated light- ed the reports with Mr. Roosevelt. about \$200 and damage to the truck strongest personnel at the present ber 25, 1890, in the parsonage of the ly by the passage of time. In addi- "Secretary Perkins has not sub- was estimated to be \$150." ville, with the pastor, the Rev. Mr. dered house she hobbies her spare "The President has not discussed Eminhizer, officiating." Early like-Immediately after the ceremony, and Mrs. Ray went to house-being at Roopsburg, remaining at Roopsburg, there for 15 years before they pur
Immediately after the ceremony, ers and plants, odd cactus plants wise dismissed reports that Mayor register for selective service training in 1938, and was unbeat-being confined to his home.

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Will Bear Local Seal To Operate on

Special air mail cachets have been issued by the Post Office Department to commemorate the inauguration of air mail pick-up service at 9 intermediate cities and towns in Pennsylvania which are on the new Air Pick-up route between Pittsburgh and Williamsport, Pa. where operations will begin on Monday, December 2.

The Post Office Department has designed a suitable cachet for each one of these places most of which bear a sketch of a familiar local scene or historic landmark, Local postmasters have been supplied with their individual cachets which will be affixed to all air mail that is dispatched from these points by Air Pick-up on the opening day of the service.

The communities to which cachets have been issued are: Pit- will mark the establishment of dicairn, Vandergrift, Indiana, Punx- rect air mail service to and from 3 p. m. sutawney, Philipsburg. State Col- this community. lege, Bellefonte, Lock Haven and

because these towns previously had flight from the town where they are A notice about the cachets has highly prized by stamp collectors been sent by the Post Office De- for their historic value. In addition partment to thousands of philate- to the philatelists, local civic and

authorized. The air mail covers bearing the mento of the event.

fonte; 175 Attend

Jewish people from many parts of

of that group acting as sponsors.

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Corporal Richard Gray, of the

state police, said yesterday that

signed a statement admitting the

slaying of his father. James E. How-

robbery" as the motive.

with murder.

not disclosed.

ly \$350.

ard, 64, and giving "revenge and

The younger Howard was arrested

after the body of his father, shot

three times, was found along a road-

side Friday some distance from his

home in Barree township, Hunting-

don county. He was committed to

the Huntingdon county jail charged

Ralph Howard developed statements

One man was treated at the Cen-

about four miles east of Milesburg,

Sunday morning, Total damage to

Joseph Loop, 64, Tioga, suffered

arm and to his chest, and under-

went treatment at the hospital. Har-

old L. Heck, Tioga, received an in-

jury to one of his wrists.

EAST OF MILESBURG

ed his back, neck and head.

TWO INJURED IN CRASH

SLAYING OWN FATHER kiddies.

employed in a sawmill in the vicin- by Governor Arthur James,

Gray said that questioning of be open as usual this Thursday,

HUNTINGDON MAN ADMITS

Holds Session in Belle of green Trees in Prepar-

U. S. AIR MAIL PICK-UP ROUTE TREST FLIGHT

signed by Post Office Department especially for air mail dispatched on first air mail pick-up flight which

BELLEFONTE, PA.

Cachets were not authorized for cachets will be a permanent sou-Clearfield, DuBois and Williamsport venir of the first regular air mail dispatched. These cachets are lists throughout the world, and air trade organizations, schools, and inmail for dispatch on the inaugural dividuals in many places are planflights has been accumulating rap- ning to send out first-flight letters idly at all of the Post Offices along to advertise the establishment of the new route where they have been direct air mail service in their communities as well as to have a mo-

ation For Holidays

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Game and Dance

ployes to Observe Holiday,

This Thursday

Diamond beginning at 1 p. m., the

last bus leaving at 1:30 p. m. Any-

B'nai Brith In Santa to Visit Meeting Here Town, Friday Local Painter And Paperhang-

Lock Haven Chapter Streets Lined With Ever-Masonic Funeral Held

Bellefonte is rapidly donning its 12:45 o'clock last Thursday morn- cers. effect, for the animal ignored the Central Pennsylvania assembled at traditional holiday trimmings in ing, November 21, 1940, at his resi-With only three shells left the I. O. O. F. hall, Bellefonte, Sun- preparation for the annual pre- dence in Pleasant Gap after a brief in his seven-shot rifle. Leathers day night, for the first meeting ever Christmas visit of Santa Claus to illness with pneumonia and complications.

He had been about his business here until the previous Friday when Friday afternoon, November 29. En-Rabbi Goldberger, of Altoons, the route here he will make appearances he became ill, his condition growing

conditions in the United States as at stons in Howard and Milesburg. compared with those in other lands. At Bellefonte he will be met at Lillie Fulton Noll Seibert, was born Milton Grossman, president of the the station by the American Legion in Milesburg on July 8, 1902, making Lock Haven lodge, presided at the and Auxiliary Junior Band and a his age at time of death 38 years. 4 reception committee from the months and 12 days. Survivors in-A feature of the session was the Chamber of Commerce. Led by the clude his mother, Mrs. James D. roduction of Harry Kline, of Lock band the procession will travel Seibert, of Pine Street, Bellefonte; through Bellefonte's evergreen-lined his wife, the former Martha Reese, streets to the Diamond where a brief and these children: Madaline, program will be given. Santa is ex- James and Gilbert, Jr., all at home, pected to distribute treats to the and Jessma Jane, of Lansdowne. In the past few days, under the and sister: Irvin Noll, of Lans-

> of Cranford, N. J. Mr. Noll was a member of the On Thanksgiving Jaffa Shrine, Altoona. Everyone But Postal Em-

A scarlet fever quarantine at the Noll home was lifted the day of Mr. Noll's death, the youngest son having suffered an attack of that dis-

Funeral services were held Satur-

Highlights of the day will include of ill feeling between the father and the annual football classic between many years. For some time his son. The elder Howard's wallet also Bellefonte High and State College was missing but its contents were High at State College, Thursday afternoon. The Johnston Motor Bus building on West High Street, Belleline will run special buses between fonte. Bellefonte and State College for the game. Buses will leave from the

tre County Hospital and another one wishing transportation by was injured slightly when a car must purchase tickets at the White and a truck crashed on Route 64, Brothers' Drug Store not later than (Continued on Page 7) the two machines was approximate- East Centre County **Band Closes Season**

The East Centre County Band will Transfer Commander suspend all rehearsals during December. The band wishes to thank all those who have contributed to The two men were passengers in its success this year and previous

time and has carried an average of 44 players per job during 1940. Mem-Rev. Lambert Posts Bail

The Rev. Allen Clay Lambert, sustained 2 prize losses in 1940, three mer sheriff of that county, died Sat- are living. In addition, they took and a few close friends of the fam-

Year of Training

New Schedule To Register at V. F. W.

Refreshments will be served.

Service To Be

Public Invited to Meeting.

Sunday, in Memory of

Departed Members

afternoon, December 1. The public

Beginning with a processional by

the Bellefonte High School band.

che program will include a prayer

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Fire at Garage.

were called to the Decker garage.

corner of High and Spring Streets.

about 12:30 o'clock last Thursday

afternoon when fire was discovered

of the garage. The blaze, believed

40 Dogs Picked Up

All former members of the A. E.

Will Close at 2 p. m. invited to an open meeting of Post No. 1600, Veterans of Foreign Wars ATTRIBUTE CHANGE at the V. F. W. Home, West Bishor TO WAGE-HOUR LAWS day evening. December 13, for the ourpose of registering with the Post Inability to Complete Clerfor service in case of an emergency Ex-soldiers are asked to bring ical Work in Prescribed their discharge papers with them. Time Cited as Reason

Beginning December 1. Bellefonte's three banks will operate on a new chedule calling for banking hours up by Luther D. Shope for running their year of military training. All from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m., instead of loose in State College. it was an- four of the youths are volunteers, the present schedule of 9 a. m. to nounced by Burgess Wilbur F. Leit-

One Hour is Cut From

Daily Banking Hours;

Announcement of the change, ap- to have dog owners keep their canproved by the Board of Directors of ines tied at all times would continthe First National, Bellefonte Trust ue. The fine and costs for this of-Company and Farmers' National fense is \$8.25, Burgess Leitzell said. Banks, was made yesterday, Some indication of the move was given last week at a Centre County Bankers Association meeting when the shortening of banking hours was discussed at length. Under the new schedule the local

banks will be open from 9 to 2 each day except Saturday when the hours will remain the same as at present, from 9 a. m. until 12 o'clock noon. In announcing the change bank officials declared that the change (Continued on page seven)

Pneumonia Fatal To Gilbert Noll the founding of the organization, will be held in the Plaza theatre.

er Dies After Brief Illness; is invited to attend the services.

Gilbert Pulton Noll, for many by the chaplain of the Lodge; seyears a well known Bellefonte lections by chorus of eight male ainter and paperhanger, died at | voices; and culosies by lodge offi-

Mr. Noll, a son of James Noll and Other survivors include a brother downe, and Mrs. Henry T. Gruber,

Bellefonte lodge I, O. O. F., and Bellefonte Lodge No. 268. F. and A. He also was a member of the Williamsport Consistory and the

Pennsylvania will celebrate Thurs-The elder Howard failed to return day, November 28, as Thanksgiving, day afternoon at the family home home from work Thursday. He was in compliance with a proclamation Pleasant Gap, with Rev. Ivan Miller officiating. Interment was Two other sons, Charles and Schools and business places in made in the Treziyulny cemetery. Theodore Howard, started searching Bellefonte, including banks and Milesburg, where members of the for their father Friday and found Court House offices, will be closed. Bellefonte Masonic Lodge were in his body. Rifle bullets had penetrat- The post office, which observed the charge of services. national holiday last Thursday, will Mr. Noll was widely known

throughout the Bellefonte area, where he had been in business for painting and paper-hanging shop has been located in the Y. M. C. A.

Many Attend Poultry Week

Several hundred persons attended the recent 20th annual Poultry Week and the annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Poultry Association at the Pennsylvania State College. In addition to faculty members, several men of national reputation spoke at the sessions to poultrymen of 39 Pennsylvania countles and adjoining states.

the past two years of Penn State's last week.

Former Blair County Sheriff Dies William H. Orr, prominent Blair

Ex-Service Men Asked County's Quota of Four is Filled Entirely by Volunteers

F. and those who have seen service OTHER VOLUNTEERS ON WAITING LIST

street, Bellefonte, at 7 o'clock Pri- Youths Depart Wednesday For Altoona to be Assigned to Camps

Centre County's quota of four draftees for the first call under the Selective Service Act, left Wednes-Nearly 40 dogs have been picked day morning for Altoona to begin and several other volunteers are on zell. It was understood that the drive the waiting list for the next eall.

The two volunteers from Local Board No. 1, State College, are Allen Melville Green, of 225 S. Burrows Street, State College, and Richard William Hoffman, of the Nittany Lion Inn, State College.

The two from Local Board No. 2, Bellefonte, are Cyril Drapcho, of Clarence, and William J. Krone, of **Held For Elks** Bellefonte. Both are employes of the J. H. France Refractories at The four youths left on the noon

bus, Wednesday, for Altoona, where they will receive instructions as to the camps in which they will be stationed during the coming year, Joseph Philip Marcelonis, of Services in memory of nearly 150 Bellefonte, R. D. 3 and Lex Normembers of the Bellefonte Elks wood Curry, of the Nittany Lion Lodge who have passed away since Inn, State College, have enrolled as volunteers in Local Board No. 1. George Stasko, of Clarence, has Bellefonte, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday passed the physical examinations and is listed as a volunteer in Local

> FACULTY TO ASSIST ON DRAFT QUESTIONS

Board No. 2.

Faculty committees have been appointed in all seven undergraduate schools of the Pennsylvania State The memorial address will be College to assist students and facgiven by the Rev. C. Nevin Stamm, ulty members on questions perpastor of St. John's Reformed taining to the draft.

church. The band will play at in- Adrian O. Morse, assistant to the tervals and closing ceremonies by president in charge of resident inofficers will include the singing of struction, heads a central committee "Auld Lang Syne" by officers and that will be responsible for communications between the College and local draft boards. Approximately 1600 students at Penn State are re-Both Bellefonte Fire Companies gistered and subject to draft call.

Toyland Open Friday

The Wolf Furniture Co., Bellefonte. Pa., announces that after the in a tar barrel on the second floor Santa Claus parade, Friday, November 29, the store will remain to have been caused by a spark open until 9 p. m. to give youngsters from a welding outfit, was extin- here for the parade an opportunity guished by workmen before the to visit Toyland at the Wolf Store, firemen arrived. There was no which is more complete this year than ever before.

Celebrate Golden Anniversary





MR. AND MRS. A. WINN WITMER

The honored couple for the past. The newlyweds went to housekeepdered to Washington last week for 30 or more years have lived in the lng in the tenant house on Mr. Witconferences preliminary to assign- home they now occupy, and both of mer's father's farm in Buffalo Run ment as commander of a new in-fantry replacement center at Mac- Witmer, for 10 years school director years before moving to a farm in on, Ga. With his departure, Col. and a former road supervisor of College township. More than 30 Edward A. Ardery became acting Benner township, was 71 years of years ago they returned to Buffalo commander of the Penn State unit, age last June, while Mrs. Witmer's Run Valley where they have since 72nd birthday occurred during the resided.

same month. The elderly couple are the par- bration included a turkey dinner at

Mr. and Mrs. A. Winn Witmer, Valley, and Miss Harriet Ellen Roan, well known residents of Buffalo Run daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Valley, were guests of honor at a Roan, of Coleville, were married on 50th wedding anniversary celebra- November 20, 1890, in the parsonage tion held at their home five miles of the Presbyterian church at Miles-Col. A. R. Emery, commander for west of Bellefonte, Wednesday of burg, with the Rev. Mr. Wright, then pastor of the church, officiating.

Highlights of the anniversary cele-