

WEEK HOUCK'S ALIBI IN SLAYING

Denies Attack In Pittsburgh, July 12

Police Investigate Claim He was Working in Store at Time

EYEWITNESS VIEWS SUSPECT IN JAIL

Confessed Attacker of Local Women Taken to Pittsburgh

Hoy Kenneth Houck, 21, Bellefonte bandman and electrician, and confessed attacker of eight women in Centre and Clinton counties, late last night was still being detained in Pittsburgh while authorities checked on his statement that he was not in that city last July 12 when Miss Rose Haber, 34, was attacked and fatally injured by an unknown assailant.

Houck was whisked from Lock Haven to Pittsburgh last Friday afternoon after Pittsburgh detectives came east with an information charging the youth with the slaying of the Pittsburgh girl.

Before releasing the prisoner Clinton county District Attorney B. L. Haag, lodged detainers against Houck, so that in the event of his release in Pittsburgh he can be returned immediately to Lock Haven to face charges of attacking Miss Ruth Andrews, of that city September 4, and Miss Emily Williams, of Jersey Shore, August 1, both in Lock Haven.

In addition, six other charges developing from six attacks in Centre county are awaiting Houck here— if and when Pittsburgh authorities release him.

Although officials are reticent in discussing the Pittsburgh charge— by far the most serious— lodged against the Bellefonte man—it is believed that Houck was suspected of the attack in Pittsburgh because of a marked similarity between the fatal attack there and the ones in this area. There too a woman who witnessed the aftermath of the

County Supervisors, Auditors, to Meet

The Centre County Association of Township Supervisors and Auditors will convene in the Court House, Bellefonte, at 10 o'clock Monday morning, September 29, it was reported yesterday by A. R. Houser, secretary of the organization.

Speakers will include former Centre County Sheriff George H. Yarnell, of Mingoville; William S. Leavengood, secretary of internal affairs, Harrisburg; Herman E. Rinehold, farmer and auditor, of Lanesburg; Thomas G. Hodge, engineer in the Department of Forestry, Harrisburg, and H. A. Thompson, secretary of the State Supervisors' Association, of Drexel Hill.

Dinner will be served by the ladies of the Bellefonte Methodist church in the social rooms of the church at 12:10 o'clock noon.

Schoolboy Fractures Arm in Fall from Tree

Donald Carl, aged 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl, of Potter street, Bellefonte, a student in the combined fourth and fifth grade at the Academy building, suffered a fracture of the right forearm about 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when he fell from a small tree on the school grounds.

The youth was playing with several companions at the time. He was taken to the offices of Dr. J. C. Rogers where the fracture was reduced and he was permitted to return home. An x-ray examination of the injury was made at the Centre County Hospital yesterday morning.

Sons of Legion To Name Officers

Nomination and election of officers of the Sons of the Legion, Bellefonte, will be held at the Legion home, East Howard street, this Thursday night, September 25, Charles "Bud" Eckenroth, chairman of the organization, announces.

After the business session refreshments will be served by Alex Sterglak, immediate past commander of Brooks-Doll Post.

REPORT THEFT OF MONEY AT SKY-TOP RESTAURANT

G. R. Hershberger, manager of Sky-Top restaurant along Route 322 on top of Bald Eagle mountain, reported that the entire Saturday receipts of the establishment were stolen from a strong box sometime Saturday night.

State Police and State College borough officers are investigating. The theft was discovered about 10 o'clock Saturday night when an employe went to the strong box for some change.

Millheim Man Ill and Lonely Takes Own Life

Tenant Discovers Tragedy—Victim Hangs Self in Barn

FAREWELL NOTE EXPLAINS ACTION

Funeral Services For John C. Bailey to be Held Today

Since December 1937, when his second wife died, John Calvin Bailey, well known retired Penn's Valley farmer, had lived alone in his large and comfortable house near the stone mill at Spring Bank, between Rebersburg and Millheim.

His life was a lonely one and of late he had been in ill health. Increasing pain made life miserable.

So early this week he got his house in order, penned a farewell note to relatives and friends, and went to the barn, just across the state highway from his home.

There he affixed a rope about a rafter over a manger, slipped the other end over his head, and stepped down from the top of the manger.

That, substantially, is the way Centre County Coroner Charles Sheekler, of Milesburg, reconstructed the tragedy after Bailey's lifeless body was found in the barn early Tuesday morning.

Discovery was made about 6:15 a. m. by Wallace King, tenant of an apartment in the nearby mill building which was owned by Mr. Bailey. King is the last person known to have seen his landlord alive. Sunday morning King went to the Bailey home and borrowed a county newspaper—as had been his custom for some time. King was to return the paper when he had finished reading it, and on Monday when he took the paper to the Bailey home, he found no one about, but was not alarmed. Placing the paper in the mailbox, he left.

Tuesday morning, while passing (Continued on Page Seven)

BHS Defeats State College 70-Yard Drive in Final Period Results in Victory; Kustanbauer Stars

Bellefonte High School, entering its first football game of the 1941 season as the underdog, defeated State College High in the first night game between the rival schools, Friday night at State College, by a score of 7 to 0.

The Red and White, with only two letters on its team as compared with ten holdovers on the State College eleven, battered its way to victory in the fourth quarter after a 70-yard advance to the one-foot line when Edgar Kustanbauer, fullback, pushed the ball over for the score. Johnson ran around right end for the extra point.

Bellefonte began its successful attack from its own 30-yard line after State College punted out of bounds.

A drive through right tackle by Kustanbauer was stopped with no gain. Then Woody Johnson passed (Continued on Page Six)

Church Reaches Century Mark Special Services to be Held This Weekend at Tylersville Lutheran Church

The one hundredth anniversary of St. John's Lutheran church, Tylersville, will be celebrated this weekend in a series of services of unusual interest. The church council and pastor, the Rev. Arthur Yeagy, announce that plans are complete for services Friday and Saturday evening, and Sunday morning and evening.

The program is outlined briefly as follows: Friday, 8 p. m., a service of memories, with brief messages from former pastors I. E. Heckman, R. H. Casner, M. R. Smeltz, C. D. Russell, Dr. Russell, pastor in East Pittsburgh, is the oldest living former pastor. The people of St. John's were most grateful to hear that he plans to be present.

In addition, a brief message will be brought by a former lay member of the church. Special greetings will be received from the Rev. Charles N. Wolfe, Evangelical pastor in Reading, who as a boy attended at (Continued on Page Six)

Daylight Saving Time Ends Saturday Night

At the stroke of midnight Saturday, September 27, residents of Bellefonte, now on Daylight Saving Time, will turn their clocks back one hour to return to Eastern Standard Time.

Many other Centre county communities, now on Daylight Saving, are expected to return to Standard Time at the same hour.

Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce officials, announcing the change yesterday, indicated a possibility that Daylight Saving Time may be decreed for the entire nation by federal action, but up to this time only vague rumors of such action have been heard from Washington.

The Daylight Saving Time experiment, tried in Bellefonte and many other county communities for the first time this summer, was not a complete success. The fact that the postoffices, railroads, buses and courts continued to operate on Standard Time caused considerable confusion, while persons who had

occasion to travel into other communities never were certain whether they were going to be on time or one hour ahead.

Further confusion resulted from the fact that many of the rural areas of the county remained on Standard Time. On the whole, few complaints were heard and no concerted action against Daylight Saving Time appeared anywhere in the county.

Those towns operating on Daylight Saving during the summer, seem to be in favor of "fast" time, but most persons believe that it can be entirely successful only if the entire nation is placed under the regulation. In that way, they claim, everyone would be operating under the same time and no confusion would result.

Daylight Saving went into effect here at midnight on Saturday, May 10, through action by Bellefonte Borough Council.

Miller Elected Head of Legion S. D. Rhinesmith Reports on Trip of Junior Band to National Convention

Edward L. Miller was elected commander of Brooks-Doll Post American Legion at the annual organization meeting held at the Legion home Monday night.

Other officers chosen were: L. R. Glenn, late vice commander; Charles Eckenroth, 2nd vice commander; Willis H. Geissinger, adjutant; Horace J. Hartman, finance officer; R. T. Willard, historian; Rev. Robert H. Thomas, chaplain; Paul "Smoky" Green and Fred Marshall, sergeants at arms.

Post officers as well as officers of the bi-county unit will be installed at the Phillipsburg Legion home on October 8. The bi-county officers will be elected at that session, and among the guests expected to be present is J. Gordon Foster, of Philadelphia, State Commander of the Legion.

Directors of Brooks-Doll Post, Club No. 33, for the ensuing year are: James Gray, A. L. McGinley, (Continued on Page Six)

Red Cross Plans 'All Out' Aid Between 4000 and 5000 Garments Needed; Ask Help of Other Groups

Plans for "all out" civilian defense aid and the greatest membership Roll Call in history will be the objectives of a Red Cross regional conference to be held at the Nittany Lion Inn, State College, Tuesday, September 30.

This will be the most important Red Cross meeting in Central Pennsylvania since World War days. Those who will represent the Bellefonte Chapter are: Fred Warner, chairman; Mrs. John Love, vice chairman; Roy Wilkinson, roll call chairman; Mrs. L. O. Harvey, home service chairman; Mrs. E. E. Wid-dowson, junior chairman, and Miss Bertha Rimmer, chapter nurse.

Prominent National Red Cross officials who will speak include Robert E. Bondy, Administrator, Services to the Armed Forces; Mrs. Grace Eustis, Assistant National Director, Volunteer Special Services; Ramone Eaton, Director of Roll Call, Eastern Area; Walter Davidson, Assistant Manager, Eastern Area, and Harold Nearman, Assistant to the Manager, Eastern Area.

Sessions will begin at 10 a. m. and will continue until 4 p. m. Chief among the topics to be discussed are the Red Cross services to the armed forces, the role of the Red Cross in civilian defense, and the plans for the annual Roll Call.

Pastors Returned By Conference

The Rev. G. E. Householder, pastor of the Bellefonte United Brethren church, was returned to the local pastorate for another year and was re-elected leader of the Tyrone district of the church at the 104th annual session of the Allegheny conference of the denomination at Phillipsburg last week.

In the entire district only ten changes in pastorates were made, and all Centre county ministers were returned to their charges for another year. Rev. J. H. Weaver will continue at Port Matilda and Rev. O. A. Womer at Housserville. Three ministers formerly stationed in Centre county, Rev. G. O. Neff, now at Bigler; Rev. Paul F. Mickey, now at Phillipsburg; and Rev. Homer E. Gaunt, now at Clearfield, were returned to those pastorates. The Rev. William Snyder, formerly of Housserville, was transferred from Oriskany to Holopole.

Saves Fellow Workman from Death by Shock

George Kellerman, at Point of Death, Revived by Fred Lose

FOUND UNCONSCIOUS AT A. L. & S. CO. PLANT

Victim Escapes With Burns From Electric Wire; Minor Injuries

Prompt first aid treatment by a fellow electrician at the American Lime and Stone Company plant here is credited with the saving of a life there Friday afternoon.

George Kellerman, of South Allegheny street, Bellefonte, employed as an electrician at the plant, was working about the electrical system when a part of his body came in contact with a power line carrying 440 volts.

Rendered unconscious, Kellerman lost his hold on the ladder on which he was standing and fell ten or twelve feet to the ground.

Minutes elapsed while the unconscious man, his breathing stopped by the shock he had received, was rapidly nearing death.

Then Fred Lose, chief electrician for the American Lime company, happened by the scene. Taking in the situation at a glance, Lose, who like most of the other members of his crew is an expert in first aid, immediately began efforts to restore respiration.

After a brief interval Kellerman's breathing resumed and he returned to consciousness. In the meanwhile an ambulance had been summoned and after he regained consciousness he was taken to the Centre County Hospital.

There he was found to be suffering burns about the hands and in (Continued on Page Four)

Seeks County Office

William W. Litke (above), of the law firm of Fleming & Litke, Bellefonte, who received a splendid endorsement by the Democrats of Centre county in his primary campaign for the office of District Attorney, is well qualified by experience and temperament for that important office.

Litke, unopposed for the Democratic nomination at the primaries, September 9, polled an almost 100 per cent vote of confidence from the Democrats of the county. For the consideration of all voters who will elect a District Attorney on Tuesday, November 4, Litke's past record of accomplishment is an open book.

Mr. Litke, a native of Clearfield county, has been a resident of this county since entering the practice of law in 1934. He is Governor of Bellefonte Lodge, No. 206, Loyal Order of the Moose, and has always been a loyal and active member of the Democratic party.

The prominent young attorney is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Litke, of Winburne, near Phillipsburg, and was born in that community on September 14, 1904. He received his early education in the public schools (Continued on Page Four)

TEAM SLIGHTLY INJURED WHEN STRUCK BY AUTO

A team of horses, struck from behind by an automobile on Route 220 about a mile east of Hubersburg, Friday afternoon, escaped with minor injuries, while damage to the car was estimated at \$30.

The car was driven by F. L. Lane, of Johnstown, and the team was in charge of Fern Dunkle, of near Hubersburg. The horses fell when struck, but leaped to their feet, hurdled a fence and sought safety in a field. One of them suffered a severe cut about one leg.

Defendant Gets Civil Court Verdict

The September session of Centre county civil court in Bellefonte closed Friday with completion of the case of Commonwealth Trust Company of Harrisburg vs. the Cook House Coal Mining Company.

The verdict in the case, which involved a dispute over ownership of a coal mine in Snow Shoep township, was returned in favor of the defendant, the coal mining company. The remaining cases scheduled to be tried at the session were either settled or continued. In an earlier case O. H. Treasurer, Phillipsburg, was awarded \$565 for damages to her house done by a car operated by Anton Mayer, of Phillipsburg.

Democrats Will Hold Open House

Members of the Democratic party in Centre county, men and women, are cordially invited to visit the Democratic headquarters on West Bishop street, Bellefonte, Saturday evening, September 27, when an open house will be held.

Witchcraft Cited In \$20,000 Damage Suit

Whiterock Installs Diesel Power Plant

Installation of a new 140 horsepower Diesel powered generator at the Jacksonville plant of Whiterock Quarries was completed last week and the power plant is now in operation, furnishing current for the stone crushers, air compressors, pumps and other equipment.

The crusher began last week on production of stone to be used on the new Howard-Beech Creek road by the H. J. Williams Company, of York. The crusher unit is new and is capable of turning out concrete stone at the rate of 160 tons an hour.

Contractor Williams has a complete concrete batching outfit erected on the Whiterock siding near Howard-Beech Creek, and the quarry will be hauled by truck from Jacksonville to the mixing plant.

Twenty men are employed at the Jacksonville plant which is in charge of Harry Ulrich, of Bellefonte, and Harry Trazier, of Pleasant Gap, as foremen.

Court Orders Vote Recount

Petitioners Allege Possibility of Fraud or Error in Huston Referendum

The Centre County Court, acting upon a petition signed by five electors of Huston township, has fixed Monday, September 29, as the time for opening the ballot box of Huston township for a recount of the vote on a liquor referendum cast at the primary election on September 9.

The ballot box is to be taken to the Court room where persons designated by the court will open the box at 9:30 a. m. (EST).

The petitioners, Ira W. Seybold, J. D. Weller, Daniel Hensley, Ralph R. Harisock and Walter G. Chandler, (Continued on Page Six)

Agency Hired To Collect Taxes

At a special meeting Monday night the Bellefonte school board authorized a tax collection agency headed by Russell H. Lohman to collect all outstanding 1938, 1939, and 1940 per capita taxes.

It is estimated that there are between \$12,000 and \$15,000 in per capita taxes outstanding for those years. State laws give school districts the right to employ such collection agencies if they choose. The Lohman agency is expected to begin its work in Bellefonte borough about October 1, it was stated.

Throng Hears Band Concert

Performance of Westinghouse Band Here Well Attended; Singer is Popular

Hundreds of Saturday night shoppers and other visitors in Bellefonte, together with additional hundreds of local citizens, jammed the area around the Court House Saturday night for a concert presented by the famous 22-piece Westinghouse Airbrake Company band of Wilmerding.

Band members, who with other employes of the Westinghouse Company were spending the weekend at the Titan Metal Co. cabin along Fishing Creek, were escorted on a march from Bishop street to the (Continued on Page Six)

Burglary of News Stand Is Reported

The Nittany News Stand, West College avenue, State College, was robbed of a sum of cash sometime Sunday night, according to reports. Frank L. Holmes, manager of the stand, discovered the theft when he opened the stand Monday morning, it was said. Holmes claimed the money was intact when he locked up about 10 p. m. Sunday. Since no means of entry was visible to officers, it is believed the thief had a key to the establishment.

CCC YOUTH IS ONE-MAN DRAFT CONTINGENT HERE

Samuel Fred Saunders, colored, of Wolf Rock CCC camp, comprised a one-man draft contingent sent to Ft. Meade, Tuesday, by Local Draft Board No. 2, of Bellefonte.

On October 1, Board No. 2 will send 16 men to Williamsport for physical examination. Additional men may be sent at the same time to Miller's to be quarantined because of infantile paralysis.

Mrs. Doyle Shook Begins Legal Action For 'Loss' of Husband

CLAIMS HIS PARENTS 'STOLE' AFFECTIONS

Alleges They Told Son She Studied Black Arts to Harm Him

Claiming \$20,000 damages, Mrs. Kathryn I. Shook, of Pine street, Bellefonte, this week filed an action in trespass against her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob W. Shook, of the Cadillac apartments, Bellefonte, claiming that they alienated the affections of her husband, Doyle L. Shook.

The statement of claim filed in the Prothonotary's office by attorneys Lewis Orvis Harvey, of Bellefonte, and Lewis G. Shapiro, on behalf of Mrs. Shook, alleges that witchcraft played an important role in the alleged alienation.

Mrs. Doyle Shook claims in the petition that the family ill-feeling toward her began about September 1937 and that the reported "wrongful and malicious" prejudicing of the mind of Doyle against his wife, by Doyle's parents, took place in Bellefonte borough, and in Spring and Boggs townships. The Doyle Shooks were married November 25, 1936.

Specifically, the statement sets forth that the elder Shooks represented to Doyle that his wife was an incompetent housekeeper; that she was totally unfit in every respect to be his wife; that Doyle's wife's mother practiced witchcraft and threatened bodily harm through witchcraft to the person of Doyle Shook and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Shook.

Further, the statement alleges (Continued on Page Six)

Welcome Home For Junior Band

The Bellefonte American Legion Junior Band, returning from a triumphal visit to the National Legion convention at Milwaukee, Wis. about 3 o'clock last Thursday morning, received a warm reception from several hundred persons who had gathered at the station.

The Undine Fire Company squad truck and members escorted the band and the welcoming delegation in a parade from the station to the Legion home on Howard street. The band played during the march and in front of the Legion home. The Undine drum corps also was in the line of march.

At the Legion home a luncheon, prepared by the Auxiliary of the post, was served band members and officials. The Junior Band was runner-up for the national championship in its class at the convention and is to receive a cash award of \$100.

Register Furnishes Birth Certificates

Persons interested in obtaining birth certificates are again notified that many such records up to January 1, 1906 are on file in the offices of Centre County Register Harry A. Corman, in the Court House, Bellefonte.

If the records are on file there, certified copies may be obtained immediately. If the records are not in the files, the Register is equipped to furnish certificates with a minimum delay.

The Register reports that attendants are on duty daily to search the files or to take any other steps necessary in securing birth certificates for applicants.

Officers To Be Installed by I.O.O.F.

The installation team of the Bellefonte I. O. O. F. lodge, headed by Charles B. Musser, of Bellefonte, district deputy grand master, is scheduled to install newly-elected officers in nine Centre county enclaves during October.

The schedule follows: Thursday, October 2, Centre Hall. Friday, October 3, Rebersburg. Saturday, October 4, Pine Grove Mills.

Monday, October 6, State College. Tuesday, October 7, Millheim. Thursday, October 9, Lemont. Friday, October 10, Spring Mills. Thursday, October 16, Boalsburg. Thursday, October 23, Bellefonte.

Cow Killed by Car

A cow which ran across the road north of Penn Hall about 7 o'clock Monday night was killed when it was struck by a car driven by Frank S. Miller, of Spring Mills, R. D. 2. The animal was owned by H. S. Lambert, of near Penn Hall. Damage to Miller's car was estimated at \$5, and the cow was valued at about \$30.