

# DRIVERS EXORCISED IN FATALITY

## Coroner Jury Finds Crash Unavoidable

### West Decatur Woman, 75, Dies in Philipsburg Sanatorium

### TWO OTHERS MEET VIOLENT DEATHS

### Inquest Into Unionville Crash Held Last Night

### BULLETIN

A coroner's jury investigating the accident in Unionville on Sunday, which resulted, fatally to Mrs. Blanche Dimling, 75, of West Decatur, last night returned a verdict that the crash was unavoidable. The inquest conducted by Centre County Coroner, Charles Shecker, of Milesburg, was held at the Unionville Community Hall.

Witnesses heard included Donald Saxton, John Robinson, and Samuel Brugger, of Unionville, who witnessed the crash; Pvt. John Amick, of the Pleasant Gap sub-station Motor Police, who investigated the accident; Robert Kone, Burnham, driver of one of the two cars involved; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jackson, of Burnham, occupants of the Kone car, and one occupant of the other machine, in which Mrs. Dimling also was a passenger.

According to a report by Coroner Shecker, witnesses declared that the crash resulted as the Kone car was traveling east on route 220 through Unionville. The other machine driven by Miss Maura McCaw, of Johnstown, pulled from a side street at Kone's right, drove out in front of the Burnham car which struck it in the middle. The McCaw machine, it was reported was attempting to get on the highway to travel west at the time.

Three persons met violent deaths as the result of automobile accident.

## Howard Water Supply Is Low

### Auxiliary Supply, Heavily Chlorinated, Being Used; Drought Affects County

Water in the Howard reservoir is at such low stage that an auxiliary supply is being pumped from a small run in the mountains near Howard. The auxiliary supply is being treated with heavy injections of chlorine, and reports from Howard are that the taste of the chemical is quite noticeable.

Elsewhere in Centre county the lack of rain is being felt. In some sections of Penn's and Brush valleys farmers are hauling water for stock, while springs and streams throughout the county are at low ebb.

Several slight rains during the forepart of this week were insufficient to improve conditions. The thermometer has been quite variable, with the past few days being an odd mixture of warm and cold waves. Tuesday night the weather was reminiscent of June.

## TO ELECT TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY HOSPITAL

Election of five trustees for terms of three years will feature a corporate meeting of the Centre County Hospital at the Central House here on Monday, October 12.

The new trustees will fill vacancies caused by the expiring terms of one trustee for District No. 1, comprising Bellefonte borough, Spring, Walker and Benner townships, and two trustees for District No. 2, which includes State College borough, College, Ferguson, Halfmoon, Harris and Potter townships. Other business to be conducted at the meeting.

## To Have Parking Area at Hospital

Work is under way at the Centre County Hospital to provide adequate parking space on the Holmes Avenue side of the hospital property.

After a thick layer of crushed limestone has been graded and rolled, an application of macadam will be applied to bind the stone and provide a smooth surface. The former paved parking spaces were destroyed during the construction of the new Bellefonte-State College Highway, when the grade of Holmes Street was lowered.

## Norwegian Pilots Land in Bellefonte

Five single-motored American-built Douglas reconnaissance planes bearing five Norwegian pilots and their observers, landed at the Bellefonte airport about 10 o'clock last Thursday morning while weather cleared in the east.

The planes, on a flight from Ottawa to Bolling Field, Washington, were in command of a Captain Hansen. The Norwegian pilots escaped from their native land after the Hitler blitz and are engaged in training air corps recruits in Canada, it was reported.

## Vote Recount Is Cancelled

The recount of the Huston township primary vote on the wet and dry issue, scheduled to have been held in the Court Room Monday of this week, was cancelled when Judge Ivan Walker, acting on an objection filed to the proposed recount, upheld the objection and rescinded a previous order calling for the opening of the ballot box.

The court, in an opinion filed early this week, stated that the recount was denied because there is no authority under the law for a recount of ballots cast in liquor or beer referendums.

At the primaries, Huston township voters cast 96 votes in favor of the sale of liquor, while 101 votes were counted against such sales.

Claiming fraud or error in the counting of the votes, five citizens of the township filed suit.

## Sheriff Arrests Man Wanted by Army

John Sabol, aged 30, of Morrisdale, arrested in a Philipsburg theater last Wednesday night by Sheriff Edward R. Miller, was taken away this week by Washington police to Washington, D. C., where he is said to be A. W. O. L. from the U. S. Army.

Sabol is said to have left the army about a month ago. Sheriff Miller reported the man has been working in a coal mine near his home since leaving the army, and that upon his arrest he expressed surprise that authorities were looking for him. He claimed he did not expect a search to be made for him. He was lodged in the county jail from the time of his arrest until army police arrived here.

## Car Crashes Into Pole; Girl Is Injured

Helen McCloskey, of Hubersburg, suffered lacerations of the face and shock about 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon when the car in which she was a passenger struck a telephone pole near the intersection of Lamb and Water Streets, Bellefonte.

The machine, driven by Miles DeHaas, of Hubersburg, was traveling north on Water Street when it allegedly was forced off the road by a car which burned left into Water Street from Lamb Street.

## Appreciate Harvest Home Contributions

Officials of the Centre County Hospital take this means of expressing thanks to churches and other organizations throughout the county for Harvest Home contributions to the hospital in recent weeks.

## An Able Jurist



JUDGE MUSMANNO  
Candidate for Judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania.

Judge Michael A. Musmanno, of Pittsburgh, whose honest and humane career on the Bench has made him one of the outstanding figures in Pennsylvania, is seeking the position of Judge of the Superior Court.

To know Judge Musmanno is to know his inherent passion for justice—justice for the individual and social justice. The people of Pennsylvania can well entrust their liberties and their property rights to him in the Superior Court.

## Fractures Hip As Ladder Collapses

Mrs. G. Edward Harper, of West High street, Bellefonte, suffered a fractured hip yesterday morning when a stepladder on which she was standing collapsed, throwing her to the floor.

The accident happened in Mrs. Harper's apartment over the Electric Supply Company store, West High street, where she was engaged in preparations to move to the Mensch apartment on East High street. Mrs. Harper was removing a picture from a wall when the ladder gave way.

## Flue Fire Causes Slight Damage

A flue fire in the double house on South Thomas street owned by Mrs. A. Kirk, caused slight damage about the roof yesterday afternoon before Undine and Logan firemen got the stubborn blaze under control.

The Undines answered a silent alarm about three o'clock and while they were in action an alarm was sent to the fire company when firemen feared heat and sparks might ignite the interior of the building. A small section of the roof was on fire for a short time, but damage was almost negligible.

## Candidates Visit Bellefonte, Friday

W. Russell Carr, Democratic nominee for Judge of the Supreme Court, and Michael A. Musmanno, Democratic nominee for Judge of the Superior Court, visited in Bellefonte Friday and conferred with former County Chairman Henry A. Brockerhoff and other party leaders in this area.

The two candidates for the appellate courts of Pennsylvania are expected to return to Centre county later in the campaign.

## Blanchard Man Injured

Norris I. Harter, aged about 45 years, well known garage owner and Justice of the Peace and school director, of Blanchard, broke his leg between the knee and ankle Saturday afternoon when a scaffold on which he was at work at the home of Mrs. John Campbell in Blanchard, gave way and he jumped to the ground to avoid a more serious fall. He was immediately conveyed to the Lock Haven Hospital where the fracture was reduced.

## TECHNICILITY DELAYS STEEL FOR NEW SCHOOL

Although priority ratings on structural steel for the Bellefonte High School building were received last week, the ratings were not honored by the Bethlehem Steel Company, where the steel is reported to be in storage awaiting shipment, Contractor Earl Cump reported yesterday.

The Steel company, Cump said, declared that the ratings could not be honored because a necessary certificate which should have accompanied the papers from Washington was not included. After repeated but unsuccessful efforts to overcome the obstacle, the papers were returned to Washington, the contractor added.

## CCC Members Held In Theft

Charged with the larceny of a quantity of chipped stone owned by the State Highway Department, four members of C. C. Camp 8-76, near Renovo, and the camp commander were held for court by Justice of the Peace Harold D. Cowher, of East Bishop street, Bellefonte, yesterday morning.

The four camp members, all colored, are in the county jail, while the camp commander, Harry Bausch, is out on bail. CCC members involved are Hugh Davis, James Mason, Wade Earley and Robert Brown, whose ages range from 20 to 22 years.

## Softball Teams Attend Dinner

The Tri-Valley Softball League concluded the 1941 season, Tuesday night with a banquet at Titan Camp, Hatetolevitt, along Fishing Creek, with some 70 players, managers, umpires, and guests present.

Speaker of the evening was Bill Jeffrey, Penn State soccer coach, whose teams have not been defeated in 61 games during the past eight years.

"It's a good thing for a team to lose once in a while," Jeffrey said. Our soccer team has reached the point where players worry lest through some fault of theirs the team's eight-year record is broken. It's better to lose a game and retain the fun of playing than to spoil the fun with worries about the record."

## Farm Worker Is Injured In Fall

John W. Miller, of near Pine Grove Mills, who suffered an impacted fracture of the right shoulder and lacerations of the hips early Monday morning in a ten-foot fall, yesterday was reported to be showing some improvement at the Centre County Hospital where he is undergoing treatment.

Miller was found about 9 a. m. on the floor of a barn on the G. C. Corl farm on the Pine Grove Mills road. He was in a semi-conscious condition and is believed to have been there some time before he was discovered by neighbors who went to help with the threshing.

The man, a professional threshing, was operating the machine on the threshing floor of the barn when he inadvertently stepped through a hole, it is reported. He was brought to the hospital here in the Alpha Fire Company ambulance.

## Sale Well Attended

At the sale of the estate of Emma C. Corman held in Rebersburg last Saturday, the home was sold to A. E. Lambert of that place for \$1990. Eight shares of Rebersburg National Bank stock sold at \$20 per share. It was an all-day sale and the largest crowd ever known to attend a sale in eastern Centre county. Antique dealers did most of the buying.

## Father and Son Killed In Mine

Shortly after they had started to work Tuesday morning at a small house coal mine at Osceola Mills, George Crain, 43, of Hudson, near Philipsburg, and his 18-year-old son, John, were killed by a fall of slate.

The lifeless bodies of the two miners, who had been working at the Drane house coal mine, were recovered 15 minutes later after Irvin Cower, owner of the mine, brought escaped the same fate and then ran for aid.

## College Lodge Is Being Built

With construction work on a mountain lodge well under way and a new riding stable ready for use, outdoor recreational facilities for Penn State students have been greatly enhanced this fall.

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## Williams'g Bows to B.H.S., 32 to 13

By a score of 32 to 13, the Bellefonte High School football team defeated Williamsburg High here at the Community field Saturday afternoon, giving the Red and White its second straight victory of the current season.

Bellefonte led the visitors 19 to 0 at the end of the half, but in the early part of the final quarter, Williamsburg scored twice to cut Bellefonte's margin, 19 to 13. Two sensational touchdowns in the final four minutes definitely gave the game to Bellefonte.

## JOHN GROSS RETIRES; TANNY LEASES BUILDING

Harry Tanny, proprietor of Harry's Tavern in the John Gross building on South Spring street, this week leased the entire building and is to remodel the structure to accommodate larger crowds, he announced yesterday.

John Gross, for nearly 32 years an independent grocer, is to retire from business, and has announced that all stock on hand is to be disposed of at reduced prices for quick clearance. Mr. Gross, whose store has been in the same location during the past three decades, was the first to introduce a strictly cash system in groceries in Bellefonte.

In recent years he has been assisting in the store by his son, Hugh. Mr. Tanny expects to remove the partitions between the present tavern and the Gross-store room, and will devote the entire space to booths and additional floor space. When completed the remodeled tavern will accommodate from 250 to 300 people, he declared.

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## Report Houck Is Returned to Lock Haven Jail

### Status of Murder Charge in Pittsburgh is Swathed in Confusion

### RETURN IS MADE WITH MUCH SECRECY

### Clinton County Prepares to Try Local Man in Two Attack Cases

Hoy Kenneth Houck, 21, of Bellefonte, charged with eight attacks on women in Centre and Clinton counties and suspected of a murder in Pittsburgh, became a will-o-the-wisp during the past week as he was shuttled back and forth presumably between Bellefonte, Lock Haven, and Pittsburgh.

Newspapers in the three cities were led a merry chase trying to keep up with the developments in the case until Monday, or Tuesday, when he was definitely and authoritatively reported in the Clinton county jail at Lock Haven. Authorities in that city didn't seem to know when he arrived there. No one seemed to know what, if anything, happened to the Pittsburgh murder charge.

As matters now stand Houck awaits trial in the Clinton county courts on two attacks in Lock Haven. Court is scheduled to open on October 27, and Clinton County District Attorney said yesterday that the former Bellefonte electrician and bandman will go on trial first on charges of aggravated assault and battery on Miss Ruth Andrews. After that trial has been completed, Haag said, he will stand

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### Two-Story Building, Fully Equipped, Under Construction Near Ski Trail

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## Pontiac Agency To Be Opened Here

Fred Ramstedt, for the past five years a resident of State College, will open a Pontiac agency in the David K. Hughes garage on North Water street, Bellefonte, this week-end.

Mr. Ramstedt, employed by the General Finance Corporation and the General Motors Company in this county for the past five years, attended Georgia Preparatory and Agricultural College at Monroe, Ga., and was graduated from the Illinois College, Chicago, in 1933. He is married to the former Louise Miller, daughter of Francis Miller, of State College.

Mr. Ramstedt expects to maintain a complete garage, repair, and accessory service. He and Mrs. Ramstedt expect to move to Bellefonte as soon as suitable quarters have been located.

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An exceptional scholar, Taylor served his clerkship in the law offices of W. Harrison Walker, North Allegheny street, Bellefonte.

## Accident Victim in Critical Condition

### Donald Smith To Head Sons of Legion

At election of officers held at the Legion Home in Bellefonte last Thursday night Donald Smith, of Bellefonte, was named captain of the Sons of The Legion.

Other officers chosen were: Earl Reese, first lieutenant; Mack Glenn, second lieutenant; Frank Hartranft, adjutant; Vera Butler, finance officer; Nathan Butler and Arthur C. Dale, Jr., sergeants-at-arms; Richard Knapp, chaplain, and Horace Eartranft, historian.

The date for the installation of officers is to be fixed in the near future. Alex Stergiakis, immediate past commander of Brooks-Bozell Post, served refrimment at the close of Thursday's session. Charles A. "Bud" Eckenroth is head of the Legion committee in charge of the junior group.

## Paralysis Near Lock Haven

### Local School Teachers Move From Area During Emergency

The Dunstable Township school, Clinton county, were closed and quarantine for 10 days of children under 18 in that area was ordered by the board of health yesterday, as the result of development of a case of infantile paralysis in the community.

Horace J. Hartranft, president of the Bellefonte school board, last night announced that arrangements had been made for two Bellefonte teachers, who live in the Lock Haven area, to move to other communities until all danger of spreading the disease has passed.

Miss Ethel Cridder, teacher of the Allegheny street first grade, has arranged to reside in Salona, while Miss Madeline Deise, teacher of the 3rd grade of the Spring street school, will live in Howard during the emergency.

William Cranmer, 2½, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cranmer, now residing at 19 West Clinton street, Lock Haven, was declared to be suffering from the dread disease. He moved with his family from the Dunstable Township home to Lock Haven.

## Judge Walker Hears Case In Harrisburg

Judge Ivan Walker, of Centre county, heard a habeas corpus proceedings in Harrisburg, Friday, started by Benjamin C. Houser, of Bellefonte, who is seeking release from the Dauphin county prison.

Judge Walker was assigned to the case by the State Supreme Court, Houser having claimed he was improperly sentenced by the jurist for burglary after pleading guilty to larceny. Houser, paroled October 1 from a 2½ to 5-year penitentiary sentence recently was prosecuted on a bad check charge.

At the conclusion of the hearing in Harrisburg, Judge Walker directed attorneys to file briefs which will be used in reaching a final determination of the matter.

## Town's Only St. Bernard Dog Dies

Barrie, 170-pound St. Bernard dog owned by Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Alexander, of East Curtin street, Bellefonte, died yesterday morning at State College, where he was under treatment in a veterinary hospital.

The giant dog, the only one of its breed in Bellefonte, was about 6½ years old. Some days ago the animal suffered a kind of paralysis. An autopsy is to be performed to determine the cause of death.

Although a favorite with the Alexander family, the dog was held in esteem by residents, its appearance and its reputation as a watchdog being sufficient to discourage familiarity.

## Mary Lou Wise, 14, Lock Haven, Injured When Car Overturns

### MACHINE SKIDS AS BRAKES ARE APPLIED

### Suffers Face, Scalp Lacerations; Possible Jaw Fracture, Loss of Eye

Mary Lou Wise, 14, of Lock Haven, injured in a motor accident near Bellefonte early yesterday morning, was reported to be in critical condition at the Centre County Hospital here last night.

The girl, injured when her father's car skidded and overturned on the Jacksonville road at Armer's Gap, about a mile east of Bellefonte, is reported to be suffering from severe lacerations of the scalp and nose; a possible fracture of the jaw, and possible loss of the sight of one eye.

The girl and her sister, Mrs. George Walizer, of Lock Haven, R. D. were accompanying their father, C. R. Wise, to Bellefonte when the coupe went into a skid as brakes were applied on the wet macadam road. The younger girl's head struck the right door with great force. It was reported.

A passing motorist brought the injured girl to the hospital, where she remained in an unconscious condition last night. Mr. Wise and his daughter, Mrs. Walizer, escaped with minor bruises and shock. Damage to the car was estimated at \$100.

Motor Police from the Pleasant Gap sub-station investigated the accident.

## Walker Twp. Plans Community Fair

### Second Annual Event to Be Held at Hubersburg, October 14

The second annual Walker Township Community Fair will be held on Tuesday, October 14, in the High School building at Hubersburg.

This is the second community fair sponsored by the Walker Township High School. Last year a very successful fair was held with many people attending and over fifteen hundred exhibits. Many more exhibits are expected this year. Substantial cash prizes and over eight hundred silk ribbons will make attractive prizes for this year's exhibitors.

The program for this year's community fair is even more attractive, offering a full day's entertainment for the entire family. One of the new features this year will be a three-act play, "Depend on Me," presented in the Community Hall in the evening. At the close of the play prizes will be awarded to the winning exhibitors.

The former policy of classifying all exhibits as school or general will again be followed this year. The fair committee wishes to call particular attention to the general exhibit, which is open to any member of the community, regardless of whether they have children in school.

The fair is on a community wide basis and everyone is invited to bring any exhibits to the school building on Monday, October 13th. Everyone is cordially invited to attend the fair and inspect the exhibits.

## GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL TO ENTERTAIN VISITORS

Local Bellefonte Council, Girl Scouts will be hosts to State College leaders on Friday, October 3. The morning meeting will be held from 10 to 12 in "Little House" on Cherry Lane. Luncheon and afternoon meeting will be held at the Nittany Country Club.

Topics to be discussed are: "Keeping the Outing in Scouting—The Council's Job," by Miss Althea Hanson, camp adviser, and "Trained Leaders—Our Big Challenge," by Miss Elizabeth Doubleday, field adviser. Saturday, Scout leaders will entertain State College leaders in an all-day session.

## FINGERPRINT EXPERT TO SPEAK AT PLEASANT GAP

The Woman's Club of Pleasant Gap will meet in its regular monthly session, Tuesday evening, October 7, at 7:30 in the brick school building.

The meeting will be open to the public at 8:30. At that time a representative of the Pennsylvania Motor Police from Harrisburg will speak on fingerprinting. Since this is a subject of widespread importance all men and women of the community are cordially invited to be present.

Merrill Lowery, Hubersburg farmer, has an unusual field of corn. Most of the stalks grew unusually tall, and some of them reached a height of 16 feet—which seems to be something of a record.

One of the 16-foot stalks, on display at the Zion blacksmith shop, but now standing in front of the Owsins Hardware store, Bellefonte, shows the first ear, grew ten feet from the ground.

Wonder if corn grows as tall on any other county farm?

## 16-Foot Cornstalks On Display Here

Harry Lucas, farmer near Unionville, claims to have grown the "knobbliest" potato turned out in Centre county this year. The spud, of the White Rose variety, consists of a cluster of six fair-sized potatoes, substantially joined to the seventh. As a freak the potato is hard to beat, but a person would go quietly mad trying to pare it.