BANKS TO PAY CHRISTMAS FUNDS

3,700 Dissositors to Public Hearing Whiterock Employees To Vote Get Nearly \$166,700 To Be Given

20 minutes.

iod by firemen.

The house, occupied by William

Condemned:

Group Says Willie Jones

is Not Guilty

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Two Holidays for Banks

fourth Thursday of November and

Warns Countians

of Possible War

Defense Institute Speak-

er Says

last Wednesday night to attend the

Miss Cecilia Kennedy, liason offi

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serve turkey next week.

Fund is Largest in His- \$1500 Loss In Fire tory of County, Survey Shows

NEARLY ALL BANKS REPORT INCREASE

Distribution of Funds to be Made First Week of December

Christmas Savings Fund distributions in Centre county will reach an all-time high of approximately \$166,700, it was revealed yesterday in a survey of the ten county banks handling such accounts.

Approximately 3700 depositors will share in the distribution of the funds during the first week of Dethe average payment to each depositor being about \$45. ture was removed.

Nearly every bank in the county showed larger Christmas Savings is owner of the house. deposits this year than last-which in itself was a record-breaker. The 1940 total was \$147,000.

The largest amount to be paid out by any single bank will be the melon to be cut by the First National Bank of Philipsburg, which will mail out checks for about \$87,-000, more than all the other banks combined. The total for the rest of the county is about \$79,700, which is a substantial increase over the 1940 total of \$70,000.

For all banks, exclusive of Philipsburg, the totals for years prior were: 1939, \$59,900; \$57,500; 1937. \$50,650; 1936. \$39,075; 1935, \$36,300; 1934, \$38,700; 1933, \$40,460; 1932, \$46,950; 1931, \$55,600; 1930, \$53,927.

Bellefonte banks followed the general trend toward increased deposits this year. Last year's total in the three local banks was \$31,500. This year the figure is \$38,500.

Two county banks do not sponsor Christmas Saving, Funds, They are the Rebersburg National Bank and the Farmers' National, of Millheim. Most of the banks now conducting funds expect to continue them next

Payments to Christmas Savings depositors are made by checks, which will be mailed out the first week in December. The sole exceptions is the Peoples' National Bank (Continued on Page Eight)

Historical Group To Meet Friday

Sons of American Revolution Annual Dinner Scheduled at Penn Belle

Juniata Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, composed of ney. He is now in the death house their interest in the Bellefonte site. members from Juniata, Mifflin and at Rockview, sentenced to die next Motion pictures of the burning of M., at the Penn Belle Hotel in with the law. Bellefonte. The speaker of the evening will be Dr. Sylvester K. Stevens, historian of Pennsylvania Historical erican League to Abolish Capital Commission, secretary of Pennsylvania Federation of Historical Societies and a member of the executive boards of Pennsylvania Historical Association and The American Association for State and local his-

Centre County Historical Society is joining the S. A. R.s on this occasion and an added feature of the program will be an address on some intimate history of Centre County (Continued on Page Eight)

Unique Public Sale at Lemont This Saturday

A unique public sale will be held on the main street of Lemont beginning at 12:30 o'clock this Saturday afternoon when the playground committee of the Lemont Woman's Club will offer for public sale a long list of items collected in an effort to provide funds for playground equipment at the College township school in Lemont.

Centre County Defense Council. The auctioneering team of Mayes & Stover will be in charge of the sale, and among the items to be sold are a number of antiques.

The playground committee, head-Mrs. Kenneth Mayes, has launched a movement to have phy- this country is not impossible. He president; Paul R. Emerick, vice sical education included as a "must" explained what has been done and president; Russell P. Beezer, treasamong the other required studies in what remains to be done in regards the elementary grades. But first of to national defense. all, an equipped playground is

cer of the American Red Cross; Dr. To date, through the sales of old Ross Cameron, regional medical offinewspapers and magazines, and cer of the U.S. office of Civilian from other sources, the committee Defense; and Sgt. William Ryne, of change in State College, has been has provided sufficient funds for the Philadelphia Police Colege, who named chief operator at the comthe purchase and installation of the was recently sent to London to study pany's central office in Tyrone, it 3 swings, 3 see-saws, the volley ball effects of bombs, were the speakers. court, the basketball court, and the status of the Chairman Freeman, in reporting sand box which for the nucleus of the status of the County Council, Boyles had been employed in the is to be the hostess group for the open all day Wednesday, November (Continued on Page Seven)

Earl K. Stock

at State College Despite high winds which threatber 15 as Time For ened to spread the fire, flames in the roof of a double house at 424 Airing Charges West Fairmount avenue, State College, Sunday afternoon, were

brought under control in less than BOARD WILL SERVE AS JUDGE AND JURY

M. Gordon and family and Dr. Edgar S. Krug, was damaged to the Schad Wins Battle For extent of about \$1500, largely by Time to Prepare Case, water from booster tanks and a two-inch line used for a brief per-Subpoena Witnesses

The blaze, believed to have start-A preliminary hearing for Earl K. ed from a defective flue, was dis-Stock, supervising principal of the Bellefonte Public Schools, bogged covered by Billy Gordon, 7, who noticed the fire while playing in the down Monday night in a welter of legal-sounding talk and because Most of the loss occurred in the School Director, Franklin B. Schad. part of the house occup'ed by the refused to produce whatever evi-Gordons. The Krug family's furnidence he has to support his charges that Stock has been incompetent, Mrs. Ella G. Gray of Bellefonte, persistently negligent, and has persistently and willfully violated the school code.

But from the maze of authentic and curbstone legal opinions expressed at the session, called specially by Board President Horace J. Hartranft to discuss the charges against Held Innocent Stock, came a unanimous decision by the board to follow advice of the board solicitor and the Department of Public Instruction, and grant longer resides in this area may have owner-manager of the Doll bakery Anti-Capital Punishment Schad a full opportunity to present support of his charges. The public hearing is scheduled to begin Monday evening, December 15, and con-

tinue nightly until finished. Schad's refusal to present his evidence was based on his contention ver to president. In addition, he highway near the Forge. that he wasn't given sufficient time once served as Fire Marshal of to prepare his "case;" that he wasn't Bellefonte given the necessary blank subpoenas with which to summon witnesses; and because the board had not otherwise followed the procedure called for by the school code in such

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Nearly 100 Attend C. of C. Smoker

Nearly 100 Bellefonte busines men attended a smoker held in the Y. M. C. A. last Thursday night by the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce. The informal meeting was conducted by Mahlon K. Robb, president of the Chamber. A. L. Francis, former president of

the Chamber, outlined the various A photo finish in the contested steps taken by the Chamber to have ase of Willie Jones may be taking the proposed Veterans. Hospital pended from a rafter of the barn by place this week. After more than a brought to Bellefonte, He declared a section of hay rope, and it apyear and a half in Police stations, that if the hospital should be lojails and prison, the young Alle- cated here it will be largely through gheny county Negro, accused in the efforts of the Chamber, which June 1940, of the holdup murder of obtained options on the site, escort-Frank Akerson in McKeesport, may ed federal representatives about the be reaching the end of his jour- area, and otherwise maintained

Motion pictures of the burning of Centre Counties, will hold its annual Monday, November 24-unless once the Bellefonte High School, taken by family, with whom Mr. Smith had dinner, Friday, November 21, at 7 more fate intervenes in his struggle George McClellan; colored views of made his home for several years. with the law.

Centre county taken by Dr. E. H. A hasty examination revealed that Thousands of men and women Adams, and air photos of Bellefonte heart action had ceased. claim this boy is innocent, the Am- taken by Dr. Nevin C. Jodon were Punishment declared in publicity releases yesterday. While they nevjection equipment. er claimed him a saint, they insist

refreshments consisting of cider pretzels and doughnuts, were served.

Bellefonte Bankers will have two **Undines Dine** Thanksgiving days, observing the Federal holiday today and the State holiday next week. The early holiday, Thursday, will be observed by Federal agencies and by 29 states while Pennsylvania and 18 other states will cling to the traditional

Present Purse to W. H. Doll; Newly Elected Officers Introduced

Conflict Here Not Impossible, ter member of the Undine Fire Vangor, served a delicious ham din-Company, Bellefonte, was a high- ner. More than 400 Centre Countians

in a turkey dinner at the hotel and on East Bishop street for a social ported. urged defense chairman Charles E. Another feature of the dinner Freeman, who presided over the program was the introduction of the meeting and introduced the guest new officers of the Undine Comspeakers. Mr. Freeman commented pany, elected the previous night at upon the international situation and the annual organization meeting. pointed out that total warfare for The officers are: Charles Saxion,

> (Continued on Page Seven) Named Chief Operator Miss Margaret J. Boyles, who from July 1934 to May 1936 was operatorin-charge of the Bell Company's exwas announced this week. Since charge of the Christmas music. Altoona exchange.

Friday On Affiliation With Union

whether or not the United Cement, jections. Lime and Gypsum Workers Inter-School Board Sets Decem- American Federation of Labor, is The tavern located nearby the

Quarries that the secrecy of the close while officials are at lunch. pallot had been impaired, Company The vote will be counted immediateofficials stated that in opening the ly, and unless there are any irreguballots cast by mail by employes in larities, the results of the ballot U. S. Army service, representatives should be known soon after the of the NLRB in tallying the votes polls close, clearly identified the voter's names. In the event of a close election, with the votes.

In any event the original election issue, and in that case final deterwas so close that even when chal- mination will not be certain until lenged votes had been decided, and the mailed ballots have been reabsentee votes counted, the election ceived and counted.

Approximately 180 employes of hinged upon the vote of one em-Whiterock Quarries will go to the ploye, whose eligibility to vote was polls tomorrow (Friday), for the in question. Had his vote been alsecond time in less than four lowed either way it is probable that months in an effort to determine the losing side would have filed ob-The polling place tomorrow will be

national Union, an affiliate of the in the Grange Hall at Pleasant Gap. to be their sole bargaining agent. Grange Hall will be closed during The result of the original election the day, it is reported. The polls will held August 6 was nullified several open at 12 noon and will remain weeks ago when the National Labor open until 6 p. m., with the excep-Relations Board in Washington up- tion of the hour between 3 and 4 held a contention by Whiterock o'clock when the polling place will

the absentee votes may decide the

W. H. DOLL OLDEST UNDINE

Beilefonte, was honored at the 50th eight years, as a member of Belleanniversary dinner of the Undine fonte Borough Council. In that Fire Company at the Penn Belle body he held the important post Hotel last night as the only active of chairman of the fire and police charter member of that organiza- committee during a period when the

Mr. Doll and Company officials believe that he is the only living resulted in the department's present charter member, but on the off- day high standing. chance that some oldster who no 'only active charter member."

dine fireman, Mr. Doll at one time his chief business activity is

vices to the community to fire-fight-

William H. Doll, seventy-one, of ing alone, for he served two terms fire companies were in the midst of the modernization program which

For many years Mr. Doll was been an Undine, his honorary title in Bellefonte, and in conjunction witnesses and other testimony in for the time is being listed to the with that business he operated an ice plant and specialized in the man-During his fifty years as an Un- ufacture of ice cream. At present or another has held every office in conduct of the ice plant, located the Company, from equipment dri- along the Bellefonte-Pleasant Gap

William Doll is a native and life. long resident of Bellefonte. His Mr. Doll did not confine his ser- parents were Louis and Regina Doll

Blanchard Man Man Sentenced Is Found Dead In Gas Thefts

Lifeless Body Found Pleasant Gap Youth Ad- was treated there as the result of Hanging in Barn; Illness Cited as Reason for Act

Franklin P. Smith, 64, of Blanch-

about 5 o'clock Tuesday night. peared as though the man had stood on an orange crate to affix the noose. Centre County Coroner Charles ducting an investigation, found that

Smith had died by his own act. Discovery of the body was made by a member of the Frank Courter

The man had been seen by a mem-At the conclusion of the program health and spirits. He was known said (Continued on Page Seven)

County Sportsmen suspicion toward Matts. State Po- about 1140 o'clock Sunday night lice planted a "trap," and watched when his car overturned on Route Meet at Clarence

Dinner, Round and Square Dance Features of Entertainment

The Centre County Federation of Sportsmen Clubs held its November meeting in Clarence, on Monday, Wives and friends of the evening. Presentation of a purse of \$50 to Clarence Sportsmen's Association, William H. Doll, only living char-under the presidency of Andrew

light of the 50th anniversary party of the Undine Company held Tuesing was held in which president day night at the Penn Belle Hotel. Derr extolled the work of the clubs Approximately 135 members and and the fine way in which Clarence packed the Bellefonte courtroom guests of the company participated had decorated their meeting room. The treasurer has all bills paid Defense Institute sponsored by the then adjourned to the Undine home and a balance of \$148, it was re-

> Each club was asked to consider seriously a junior rifle club and try
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> Woman's Club To Meet, Monday The regular meeting of the Belle-

> Sonte Woman's Club will be held Monday evening, November 24, in the Presbyterian chapel. The Drama department will present a Christmas play, directed by Mrs. Luella Cheesman.

mits Check Forgeries at Special Court

A resident of the Port Matilda ard, was found dead in the barn of area appeared at a special session Howard, R. D. 2, and John H. Carhis sister's home in that community of court here Monday morning and roll of Williamsport, crashed headentered a plea of guilty to stealing on while traveling in opposite direc- and on Allegheny street to High The man's lifeless body was sus- gasoline from a company which had tions.

the county jail.

According to Pvt. Paul T. Rudda, of the State Police at Rockview, pital by Alfred S. Kline of Wool-Matts had long been employed by rich. the McFeeley Brick Company at Port Matilda before he became ill approximately \$400. Loss to the and was unable to continue in his other vehicle, which was removed presented during the evening, with ber of the Courter family as late as Job. The company, in appreciation R. C. Blaney assisting with the pro- 3:40 p. m., it is reported, and at that of his long service, gave him the time he seemed to be in his usual post of night watchman, Pvt. Rudda CAR OVERTURNS WHEN

> Then the company began to notice thefts from the gasoline tanks of equipment, and a check turned street, State College, escaped injury while Matts drove up to the "plan- 24, two and a half miles east of (Continued on Page Siz)

Santa Claus To Visit Bellefonte

nounced; Stores Close Thanksgiving

Santa Claus is to pay a pre-Christmas visit to Beliefonte by plane on Friday, November 28, at 4 Statutory Cases Head List by the Bellefonte Chamber of Com-

A committee of Bellefonte's leading citizens is to meet the distinguished visitor at the airport and escort him to the Diamond where he will greet the youngsters. Meanwhile other plans for the

Yule season are under way. Cyrus Shope has been given the contract to supply the curb Christmas trees and is now conferring with merchants as to their needs. A community carol sing will be

held on the Diamond on Tuesday evening, December 23, with Mrs Lenore Morgan Martin directing. The hour-long program also will include numbers by a brass quartette from the Bellefonte High School band.

Because next Thursday is Thanks-Mrs. E. W. Nilsson will have giving Day and all stores and business places will be closed, most of The American Home department the establishments will remain 26, it was reported yesterday,

Drowning Victim



George Goodhart, 35 (above), Centre Hill farmer, who lost his life last Wednesday when a raft on which he paddled into Poe Dam to retrieve ducks he had shot, upset, throwing him into the water.

To Draw Lots To Decide Tie Votes

Lots will be drawn at noon Friday to decide two ties in the county general election November 4. The drawing will be held in the offices of the County Commissioners.

Earnest Frank, Democrat, and Roy Dutrow, Republican, are tied for the burgess job in Centre Hall Each candidate received

In Union township J. W. Emenizer. Republican, and LeRoy Hall, Democrat, each received 80 votes for road supervisor.

The candidates may appear at the Commissioners' office, but will through Bellefonte.

Two Injured In Head-On Collision struction.

One man was admitted to the Centre County Hospital and another rather than by familiar route numa motor accident on the Jacksonville road, six miles east of Bellefonte, Sunday afternoon. Damage to the two cars involved was about

Cars operated by B. C. Fike of

employed him for 16 years and Kenneth Fike, 23, Howard, R. D. which befriended him when he was 2, a passenger in the Fike car, was taken to the hospital by Theodore Judge Ivan Walker sentenced the Ishler of Bellefonte, R. D. 2. He man, William W. Matts, 43, to pay suffered an injury to his left knee Sheckler, of Milesburg, after con- the costs of prosecution, a fine of \$1, and a small cut on the forehead make restitution for the gasoline Marin Craven, a passenger in the stolen, and serve three months in other car, was treated for a laceration of the nose and injury to his left knee. He was taken to the hos-

> Damage to Carroll's sedan was to a Bellefonte junk yard, was \$50.

DRIVER NAPS AT WHEEL

Harry E. Comly, of South Atherton State College. Motor Police reported that the accident happened when the driver fell asleep at the wheel. The machine struck an embankment and rolled over on its side. Damage was estimated at about \$200

Other Christmas Plans An- Grand Jury to Hear 14 Cases

For Presentation Here Next Week

District Attorney Musser W. Getig has listed 14 bills of indictment presentation to the Grand Jury for the December court when the Jury meets here on Monday, Nov-Sixteen defendants are involved in

the 13 actions. Of the 14 cases, six involve statutory crimes; two burglary; two fraudulent conversion; two drunken driving; one assault and battery and one violation of the liquor laws In addition, five cases are listed for hearing at the usual session of

ions actions next Wednesday. complete list follows: Cases Before Grand Jury ntory rape

Summary cases and domestic rela-

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Centre Hill Hunter Drowns In Poe Dam

Penn State, Pitt Ready for 41st Game

Penn State and Pitt will clash for the 41st time in the Pitt Stadium next Saturday in a rivalry which BODY FOUND AFTER dates back to 1893.

The Nittany Lions have downed the Panthers 14 times, while losing 24, and two games having ended in a deadlock. The last State victory over Pitt was recorded in 1939 at State College when the Blue and White romped to a 10-0 victory. Last year an undefeated State team was upset, 20-7, by the Pan-

thers at Pittsburgh. The Nittany Lions have not been able to beat Pitt in the "Smoky City" since 1919 when Bob Higgins, present lion coach, ran 85 yards for a score, The Nittany Lions, encouraged by

their unexpected 34-19 smashing of Syrcause, will be seeking revenge for last year's upset.

Highway May Repave Streets

Bellefonte's Business Dis- College, Centre Hall, and Lewistown trict Slated For Improvement in 1942

the rebuilding of highway routes day evening and he failed to rethrough town, Monday night, when turn home. He had expected to be Council passed resolutions authoriz- home for the noon meal, but his ing the State Highway Department absence during the afternoon caused to prepare plans for the improve- po alarm. ment of four routes which pass

the election board or by themselves of such improvements was given in Centre Hall, set out in search for if they fail to appear. indicate that the work is scheduled Dam where Goodhart had said he for next summer, and that the might go to hunt ducks. es will be rebu ent basis, possibly of concrete con-

The four routes, designated according to highway map codes

bers, are as follows: Route 346: on Willowbank and Water streets from the Logan Branch bridge north to High street and on High street to Allegheny

Route 107: East Linn street from borough line to Allegheny street,

Route 58: on Bishop street from (Continued on Pape Six)

Would Restore Ancient Road

Perry County Historical Society Invites Centre Countians to Meeting

ciety has decided to help make his- McMullin, and Mrs. W. Swarm in tory as well as to record and preserve Milheim; by F. B. Malone in Cohistory, by inaugurating interest in the last link of a scenic highway from Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, home of governors, to the Mason-Dixon Line, and even to our national capital itself. This last link is from a jail for 25 days on a charge of viopoint on the William Penn, near lating the game laws. Justice of Mifflintown, over the Tuscarora the Peace J. Mac Pearce of Philips Mountain to Ickesburg, Perry Coun- burg imposed the jail sentence for

Pursuant to that the Historical use of a non-resident hunting li-Society will hold its quarterly meet- cense. ing at Ickesburg on Monday night, ember 24, and following the (Continued on Page Seven)

Court Allows **Double Indemnity**

Judge Ivan Walker of Bellefonte, in the case of Sarah A. Rudy, widow of George Albert Rudy, deceased, vs. McCloskey & Company, yesterday in an opinion filed in the Prothonotary's office affirmed a ruling of the Workman's Compensation Board and directed judgment to be entered in favor of the widow and children of Albert Rudy in the amount of \$10,129.56.

The matter came before the court on an appeal from the Compensation Board which found the widow and children of Rudy entitled to additional compensation since the man, a victim of a fatal accident while employed by McCloskey & Co., at State College, was illegally employed because he was a minor. Because of this factor, the heirs (Continued on Page Four)

Three Countians Re-rated Three Centre county trainees were given fifth class specialists ratings in recent re-ratings at Randolph Field, Texas, at the U.S. Army Air

Cases Before Grand Jury
Robert Pelton, Philipsburg, statCharles Sabol, Clarence; Luther E. Emel, Howard, R. D. 1, and James E. Bruss, of Bellefonte, R. D. 1, A'll John Kantoski, Osceola Mills, F. have been in training there since

George L. Goodhart, 35, Dies in Attempt to Retrieve Ducks

19-HOUR SEARCH

Firemen Trace Activities Through Evidence at Scene

George "Chick" Goodhart, 35-year old Centre Mills farmer, loaded his shotgun and some shells into his sedan about 8:15 o'clock last Wednesday morning and drove away from his home in quest of ducks.

Exactly 36 hours later Goodhart's lifeless body was dragged from Poe Paddy Dam, state reservation between Coburn and Milroy, by firemen who for 19 hours had been grappling in the 30-acre dam in search of his body.

Although no one, apparently, knows first-hand what happened from the time Goodhart departed from his home for his solitary hunting trip, he left in his trail an almost phenomenal record of his ac-Firemen from Bellefonte, State

who engaged in the search for the body, commented upon the ease with which Goodhart's activities during his last hour on earth were traced. The man's family first became Bellefonte came a step nearer to alarmed when it grew dark Wednes-

Wednesday night when he failed to appear his brother-in-law, A. L. While no indication as to the date Emery, and Blaine Leister, also of

> an Arriving near (Continued on Page Six)

To Canvass For Red Cross Drive

Announce Captains and Solicitors in Centre County Communities

Names of captains and canvassers for the annual Roll Call appeal of the Red Cross in Centre county communities included in the State College chapter have recently been announced by the committee in charge, Mrs. Guy Stearns of Lemont, and Mrs. H. A. Everett and Mrs. E. S. Forbes of State College. Mrs. John Vandervort and Mrs. F. Raymond Smith are State College co-captains for the membership drive, which opened Armistice Day and continues until November

In Penn and Haines town thips Mrs. L. V. Meyer, captain, is assist-The Perry County Historical So- ed by Mrs. R. N. Witmer, Mrs. S.

(Continued on Page Three) Jailed On Game Charge Boyd Guthrie, of Bigler, Monday was committed to the Centre County an offense reportedly involving the

IMPORTANT

Once again we approach Thanksgiving season, which will be properly observed next Thursday by closing all business places here. As has been the custom in the The Centre Democrat will be issued Tuesday noon.

This early edition is planned in order to give our readers an opportunity to complete their shopping from the advertising columns. By get-ting the paper into the homes on Tuesday and early Wednesday forenoon, housewives will find it a convenient guide for the Thanksgiving holiday buying, which must be done on that day as all stores will be closed on Thursday.

In order to take advantage of this early edition it will be necessary for all advertisers and correspondents to 'get their copy in on Monday, otherwise, disappointment will

We kindly ask the co-operation of all patrons in making this early edition a possibility