MAN KILLED AS DEER SEASON OPENS

Three are Wounded **During First Day**

John Bosak, 49, Clarence Local Game Warden Pre-Miner, Fatally Shot Through Abdomen

NEIGHBOR HELD PENDING PROBE

Two Other Victims in Serious Condition at Philipsburg

BULLETIN A Coroner's jury at Clarence last night returned a verdict that John Bosak died after being shot by Andy Matelia in mistake for a deer.

Witnesses testified that Matella was only 63 feet from his victim (by actual measurement) when he fired the shot, it was

Matella testified he shot at a deer, thought he missed, then when he saw the men became frightened and fled. Earlier reports that the men with Bosak shouted before the shot was fired were not substantiated at the inquest last night.

Last night, as a Coroner's Jury met at Clarence to conduct an inof the 1941 deer season, three other victims of hunting accidents in the first three days of the season were described as being in "fair" condi-

Centre County Coroner Charles Sheckler, of Milesburg, last night wa3 directing the investigation into the death of John Bosak, 49, Clarence miner, who was fatally shot while hunting about six miles north of his home; Monday afternoon;

Bosak was struck in the abdo-men by a pumpkin ball from a 16gauge shotgun about 3 o'clock and tied in a fellow hunter's arms about a half hour later.

Bosak's neighbor, Andy Matella 25, who allegedly fired the fatal shot, was being held by Centre County Sheriff Edward R. Miller pending the outcome of the investi-

Two deer hunters accidentally shot (Continued on Page 7-Col. 4)

Measles In Bellefonte According to a report by W. W. Bickett, Centre County Health Officer, there are 15 cases of measles in the borough. One case of scarlet fever is reported in the Millheim area, and in parts of the county exclusive of Bellefonte there are about 25 cases of chicken pox and measles, the officer said.

Two Large Urns Stolen from Front of Local Home

E. Widdowson and occupied by the treatment from a physician. Frank Rosenhoover family.

sand to make them firm. They were

Since it required two men to lift evidences that the sand was emptied out on the site, it is believed that two or more persons were re-Members of the family expressed the belief that the theft may have been a prank of college students. Mr. Rosenhoover, owner at the institution, Officials report of the urns, would appreciate any that figure is the highest since the

dicts Medium Kill in County

DEER IN EXCELLENT CONDITION, REPORT

Most Hunting Camps Are Open: Several Nimrods Arrested

Despite reports throughout the tate that the 1941 deer kill will be the lightest in five years. Game Warden Thomas Mosier of Bellefonte last night claimed the kill in Centre county will be about aver-

Mosler said that from preliminary surveys, he has no reasons to believe the kill will be much lighter than usual, although in some sections few deer are being taken, he admitted.

Mosier outlined the activities of the first three days of the season in this county as follows: kill, medium; violations, few; condition of deer, excellent. Most hunting camps are occupied, he declared.

The season is notable, mostly, for the fine condition in which the deer appear to be. From all sides come quest into the first hunting fatality reports that deer are large, well fed and apparently in unusually healthy condition. The racks of horns are finer than usual. The woods are full of food for deer, and wildlife is asured of an "easy" winter as far as food is concerned.

Warden Mosier reported that several arrests have been made when (Continued on Page 7-Col. 2)

One of Victims in Hospital After Mishap at National Gypsum Plant

Sudden burning of accumulated gases in the new rotary kiln at the National Gypsum Company's plant in Buffalo Run Valley, while the kiln was being tested late Friday afternoon, resulted in six men being painfully burned, one of them seriously enough to require hospital treatment.

face, hands, and side when the tondoor and enveloped the men on the the Centre County Hospital where business he is reported to be recovering

Two large pottery urns, weighing Sampsell, Pleasant Gap: Lester High School, and was graduated ember 25, 1941, at his home in how-several hundred pounds each, were Meek, Bellefonte, and Ed. Beyhl, of from Penn State in 1930. Since then and after a several months' illness stolen sometime Friday night from the Traylor Engineering and Manu- he has been associated with his with a complication of diseases the front porch of the stone house facturing Company, Allentown, were brother. Thomas Mensch, in the Mr. Betz, son of the late Mervin

The urns, valued at more than fire the kiln when the explosion-like as well as practical significance. His M. Harold Betz was a son of Mer-\$25, were placed at each side of the ignition occurred, officials said. Such uncle, the late Thomas H, Harter, vin E, and Alice Harter Betz and two feet in width and their color the men on the firing floor were death in 1933. was a cross between a pink and a not prepared for it, it was explained.

The kiln was not damaged by the blast, which was somewhat similar each urn, and since there were no in nature to a "backfire" of gases

in an ordinary household furnace. 66 Guests at County Home The population of the Centre County Home reached a new high this week with a total of 66 guests

Court House Officials 'Make Up;" Won't Move Offices, After All

Through a somewhat strange se- rectly alleging that there was no quence of events, a story published truth in the story to begin with. in last week's issue of The Centre | Fact of the matter was that the HORSE ATTACKED BY Democrat in regard to contemplated story when published, was true, but changes in the county offices at the that early Tuesday afternoon after Court House, was repudiated by the this newspaper had gone to press, Centre County Commissioners sev- the Commissioners and the County

This newspaper, which went to loggerheads over the matter of repress last Tuesday noon because of arranging the office space in the Thanksgiving holiday, was in- Court House, reached a compromise horse, and one of its tusks severed of the Bellefonts of the Bellefo formed that morning by the Com- and the Commissioners cancelled a large artery in the horse's fore-missioners that the offices of the their plans to move the County Su-leg. The animal died in a short 156, according to the posteffice de-County Superintendent of Schools perintendent's offices out of the time. were to be moved into a vacant store | Court House. room in the Heverly building on North Allegheny street, and that Commissioners to move the Super-

been changed and another incor- the County Commis

eral hours after it appeared in print. Superintendent, who had been at lost its life in an unusual manner

As proof of the intent of the changes were to be made in the intendent's office—and of the truth Mrs. Russell Lair, of near Centre Treasurer's office to provide more of the story published in this news- Hall, underwent treatment at the ers in the county from 3,062 in 1937 storage space for county records.

Papers published the same evening repudiated the story—one coring repudiated the story—one

Educator Dies



ARTHUR H. SLOOP

Arthur H. Sloop, deputy Centre fonte Academy, died at 8 o'clock structing Shope street. Wednesday night, November 26.

Mr. Sloop,

Academy, remaining on the teaching staff of that school until 1919 when he was named supervising (Continued on page four-Second Section)

Mensch Named

is Appointed to Succeed Harry E. Weber

Announcement was made in Harrisburg yesterday of the appointment of Charles A. Mensch, editor of the Keystone Gazette, Bellefonte, well known local sportsman, as a member of the Pennsylvania Board of Fish Commissioners.

Mr. Mensch was named to succeed Harry E. Weber, of Philipsburg, whose term expired May 29. The appointment is effective until Norman Stebel, 24, of Luckey, Ohio the end of the next session of the suffered second-degree burns of the State Senate when Mr. Mensch's face, hands, and side when the ton-gue of flame came through the fire come up for confirmation.

The office carries no salary but firing floor. Stebel is a patient at traveling expenses incurred on board

Mr. Mensch long has been one o Bellefonte's most enthusiastic ang-Five others, Bayard Magee, Belle- lers and is an expert dry-fly fisher- ard business man and president of fonte, superintendent of the plant; man. He is a native of Centre coun- the Howard Borough Council, died Frederick Rider, Coleville: Lee ty, is a graduate of the Bellefonte at 9:55 o'clock Tuesday night, Nov. on North Spring street owned by E. less seriously burned and received publication of the Keystone Gazette. Beiz, for many years a prominent

Pulverized coal was being used to Fish Commission has sentimental aged 40 years

DAMAGE \$150 AS CARS CRASH NEAR SNOW SHOE Elks Memorial

Damage totaled \$150 but no one was injured in a motor accident on the road between Snow Shoe and Clarence, Tuesday.

A car driven by Robert Oswalt, 22, of Clarence, proceeding south mistice Day services here, will be on the road, stopped to pick up a the speaker at the annual Memorinformation leading to their recovopening of the home several years chine driven by Chalmers Yohn, 17, it is reported. A maial services to be held by the Belleland, underwent treatment at the
chine driven by Chalmers Yohn, 17,
fonte Elks Lodge at the Elks Home,
Centre County Hospital here last of Snow Shoe, which was following West High street, at 2:30 p. m. Sun- Thursday for injuries received while the Oswalt car, was unable to stop day, December 7, and struck the rear of the car ahead. Damage to the Yohn machine was Elks Octette. The public is cordially amputated. Treatment was given at \$100 and to the Oswalt car, \$50, invited to the services. State Motor Police at Pleasant Gap said Yehn would be charged with following another car too closely

BOAR, BLEEDS TO DEATH

A horse owned by Samuel A Homan, Pine Grove Mills farmer

Finger Is Lacerated

Russell Lair, Jr., son of Mr. and county is shown by an increase in tilda, 261 boxes; State College, 346

Boro Operates Within Limits 1941 Budget

Brockerhoff Repeats Demand For Surcharge of Councilmen

MAY PUT TEETH IN SNOW REMOVAL LAW

Table Thomas' Resignation; Council Okays Purchase of Snow Plow

All departments of the borough as well as the water department a:e operating within their budget limits as the end of the fiscal year draws

Borough Council, Monday night, repetition of a demand by Council-A highlight of the session was the Arthur H. Sloop, deputy Centre repetition of a demand by Council-County Prothonotary, former superman Henry A. Brockerhoff that the o'clock Tuesday morning, Decemvising principal of the Bellefonte borough auditors surcharge mem- a:d. He was 65. schools and instructor at the Belle- bers of Council for the cost of con-

1941, at the Centre County Hos- that Council never took any action to rescind a resolution passed some Death came as the result of a time ago in which Council set forth three years' illness with a heart that when private property was condition. He had been a patient benefitted through construction of in the hospital for less than a week. streets, etc., property owners should prominent in Masonic be assessed a portion of such conircles, was 60. struction on a foot frontage basis.

Mr. Sloop came to Bellefonte in He added that to the best of his 1905 as instructor at the Bellefonte knowledge, Council never took any (Continued on Page Six)

B.H.S. Alumni to Hold Dinner Dance

Well Known Local Editor gin at 7 o'clock with the serving of dinner. Afterwards an orchestra will be on hand for dancing and cards will be in play.

Reservations for the dinner dance Miss Coble or Frank McGovern, not later than December 24. Tickets at lighting the bulbs. \$1.25 a person will include both dinner and dancing. The affair will

M. Harold Betz Dies at Home

Was President of Howard Borough Council; Prominent **Business Man**

M. Harold Betz, well known How-Mr. Mensch's appointment to the Jacksonville implement dealer, was

(Continued on Page Two)

Service, Sunday

Dr. Carroll Champlin, of the Education Department Penn State College, who gave the address at Aray, December 7.

Music will be furnished by the Yarnell One of his fingers had been

Substantial Gain Is Shown In

23 rural patrons in four years.

partment.

in existence on July 1, 1937, have routes.

boxes, and Spring Mills, 386 boxes. In addition, eight of the county's

ty is furnished by seven postoffices, in addition to Bellefonte, as fol-

ws: Centre Hall, 241 boxes; How-

Physician Succumbs Court Seeks



DR. WALTER J. KURTZ

Dr. Waller J. Kurtz, one of the close, it was revealed in reports few remaining "country physicians" at a regular meeting of Bellefonte in Centre county, and who had practiced medicine in the Howard

Dr. Kurtz had been in failing cordition did not become serious until about two months ago. He had continued to practice his profession in the Howard area until a year

The elderly and kindly-disposed physician was well and widely known throughout Bald Eagle Valley. During his four decades of practice in Howard he had established an unblemished reputation. (Continued on Page Two)

Stores to Remain Open at Night

The Bellefonte High School Al- Officials of the Retail Division of The Bellefonte High School Al- Officials of the Retail Division of umni Association will hold a holithe Bellefonte Chamber of Comday dinner dance at the Penn Belle inerce yesterday expressed the hope that flags announced yesterday evergreen trees now lining the curbs by Miss Kathryn Coble, president of the business district trimmed the Association.

The evening's festivities will beMighted by 5 p. m. this Saturday.

A large tree will be erected on the Diamond, Friday, but whether will be trimmed with the 300 lights which customarily are used must be made at the hotel, or with for that purpose depends upon whether power will be available for

will be open only from December to trial. 22 to 24.

tract for furnishing similar trees at jury trial State College and expects to have the work completed there by to- as follows: night. Trees at the college will not be trimmed or lighted, it is report- B.

Change System

After December 13 Dial 'O' to Report Fires; No 'Silent' Alarms

After Saturday, December 13 front door and were half filled with blasts are common when a kiln is former publisher of the Gazette, was was born at Jacksonville on June when the dial telephone system goes being heated, but this one was more a member of the Fish Commission 22, 1901. He is survived by his moth- into operation in the Bellefonte about three feet in height and about severe than usual and consequently from 1921 until the time of his er, living in Jacksonville; his wife, area, the public will continue to rethe former Ruth Lucas; two child- port fires as usual to the telephone operators, it was announced yesterday by Jesse H. Caum, manager of the Bell Telephone Company offices in this area. To report a fire, simply dial "O" and give the operator your name and the location of the fire. The operator will do nothing except to throw a switch which will and Corp. Neil Gallagher, of the (Continued on Page Seven)

land, underwent treatment at the

Bellefonte Postoffice Rural Area

mail service throughout Centre Philipsburg, 442 boxes; Port Mathe number of rural route box-hold-

Bellefonte's postoffice has gained been discontinued-Kato, Pine Glen and Martha Furnace. In 1937 the Bellefonte postoffice have city delivery service, and all the others have lock boxes for city Rural delivery service in the coun-

More Data In **Houck Request**

Petition for New Trial and Stay of Judgment to Be Decided Soon

COUNSEL ALLEGES EVIDENCE SCANT

Jurisdiction of Alderman Issue in Contested Verdict at Lock Haven

court on the appeal of Hoy K. Houck ding he found the honey. for a new trial and arrest of judgment in his conviction of assault bees didn't surrender their store entering a plea of guilty to assault and battery and aggravated assault without a battle, but he didn't mind and battery on Ellen Robbins, 17, a and battery will await the filing of a few stings. briefs within the next week and study of the present briefs and records of the case by Judge Henry Hipple, Argument on the motion was heard by Judge Hipple last

Houck, convicted last month on Brockerhoff reaffirmed his stand learlition did not become serious the two charges, developing from an attack on Miss Ruth Andrews, 19year-old Salona firl employed in Lock Haven, was apprehended by the police immediately after the incident September 4. He remains in the Clinton county jail.

Samuel H. Jubelirer of Altoona, as chief of defense counsel, argued that there was not sufficient evicharged that the original informstion leading to Houck's arrest was School of Medicine. not legally drawn up because the

(Continued on Page Siz) On Trial List

Grand Jury Recommends Minor Repairs, Alterations to Buildings

at the regular December criminal Many Bellefonte stores and busi- court which is scheduled to get unhess places are expected to remain der way here Monday morning, and be for B. H. S. alumni and their open every evening beginning Tues-guests only. Bay night, December 9, and contin-that one or more of the five might uing until Christmas. Food stores be settled out of court before going

The Grand Jury last week Cyrus Shope, of Howard, who fur- turned ten true bills, but since then nished and erected the trees in five of the cases have been disposed Bellefonte, has been given the con- of through court action without

The five cases on the docket are Harry Adams, Johnstown, F. & Franklin Miller, Port Matilda,

Earl Hogencamp and Harold (Continued on Page Three) For Fire Alarms Mill Hall Boy Hit-Run Victim

burglary.

Carl Shearer, 14, Killed While Walking Along Highway Near Home

Carl Shearer, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Shearer, Mill Hall, R. D., was instantly killed by a hitand-run motorist while walking along the highway near his home about 7:15 p. m. Monday. Three other boys walking single file in back of him escaped injury. Despite an immediate search no

trace of the hit-run car was found State Motor Police at Lock Haven, reported later that there are few Carl, along with his brother Rich ard, 11, and David Gilmore, 13, and

Mackeville, was walking along (Continued on Page Two) Banks Again Cut Interest on Savings

Richard Miller, 13, the latter two

Bellefonte's three banks-the First National, Trust Company, and Farmers' National—this week announce that beginning January 1, 1942, the interest paid on savings accounts and certificates of deposit, will be reduced from 11/2 to 1 per

The banks, in an announcement state that the reduction is necessary because of the continued marked decline in money rates.

Time was when 3 per cent interbut the rate has been reduced steadily in the past eight or ten years to its present level.

Wheat was quoted yesterday at \$1.05.

Guilty Pleas Heard At Special Court

Erv. Bennett Takes Chunk Out of House To Raid Bee Hive

E. S. Bennett, well known resident of Runville, got a hankering for some honey the other day, so he cut a piece out of the side of his house and raided a bee-hive there to the tune of 100 pounds of

choice honey. It really was as simple as that. For some time Mr. Bennett has The decision of the Clinton county plasterboard and between the stud- Centre county court here Tuesday

County Medical Men To Hear Dr. Stokes county.

Dr. Joseph Stokes, Professor of was prosecutor in the case, Potts Diseases of Children at the Univer- on September 20 had taken her sity of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, and Physician in Chief at the Children's Hospital, that city, will address the Centre County Medical drive around to where her father Society on the subject of epidemic was waiting. Instead, the girl said, influenza, December 11, at 9 p. m., at the Centre County Hospital

Dr. Stokes is a classmate of Attorney John Love's at Haverford, and started to drive away. Potts dence to sustain a conviction of having graduated there in 1916, and jumped on the truck and they rode aggravated assault and battery, and a classmate of Dr. Leroy Locke's at back to town without further inci-charged that the original informa- the University of Pennsylvania, dent.

School Board Is Reorganized

Hartranft is President; Complete Plans For Stock Hearing

Board at the annual organization report at Ft. Eustis, Virginia, to-Only five cases are listed for trial meeting of that group in the offices morrow. of the Supervising Principal at the If he passes the physical exam-Academy building, Monday night. president and Musser W. Gettig was post as manager of the Centre another year. The treasurer's office fonte and State College will be will not be vacant until May, and taken by Donald Klinger, of Belle-the board secretary's four-year term fonte, who has been assistant manwill not expire for several years.

Mrs. J. Millard Hartswick, elected to the board last Monday, received the oath of office from Wilporary chairman during the organ- Christmas. DeHaas Electric Com-(Continued on Page Three)

Woman Fined \$200 And Costs For Liquor Law Violations

DRUNKEN DRIVER IS FINED \$100, 30 DAYS

Port Matilda Man Pleads Nolo Contendere to **Burglary Counts**

known that honey bees were mak-ing their home in the lining of his matters were disposed of by Judge house. So Friday night he removed Ivan Walker at a special session of

morning. Mr. Bennett admitted that the Burton Potts, 26. of Morrisdale, bees didn't surrender their store entering a plea of guilty to assault neighbor, received a suspended sentence and was placed under probation for two years upon payment of the costs and \$50 for the use of the

According to Miss Robbins, who and her father to town in his truck. Later Potts met the girl and told her to get in the truck so they could he drove out of town, pulled off the road and attempted to attack her. She broke away, got in the truck

Potts said he made some advances to the girl but when she resisted he permitted her to drive back into town. The girl was not harmed and Potts never before had been in difficulty with the law, it

was reported. (Continued on Page Siz.

Thrift Corp. Manager Called for Army Duty

Walter H. Adams, of East Curtin treet, Bellefonte, a reserve lieuten-Horace J. Hartranft was re-elect- ant in the U. S. Army, has been ed president of the Bellefonte School called for a year of service and will

ination Lt. Adams expects to be R. C. Blaney was named vice- assigned to the Coast Artillery. His named as the board's solicitor for County Thrift Corporation in Belle-

ager of the business for some time. liam H. Brouse, who acted as tem- you think of anything electrical for

pany, Bellefonte, Pa.



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