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COMMUNITY FUND TO BE CONTINUED

Officers For Year To be Named Soon

Three New Directors Are Named; Sieg, Orr Are Re-elected

1941 FUND WILL PAY ABOUT 75 PER CENT \$12,437 OF \$14,696 PLEDGED Has been Collected to Date

Election of five directors and decision to continue the present system of supporting Bellefonte's charitable institutions featured the annual meeting of the Bellefonte Community Welfare Fund at the Court House, Monday night.

William W. Sieg and Earl S. Orr were re-elected as directors, and Ward Hile, Alexander Morrison and R. C. Blaney were chosen to other vacancies on the board of directors. The new board will meet next week to choose officers for the year.

The session was in charge of J. Mack Curtin, president of the Association, who expressed his thanks to Mrs. Samuel Waite, collector, and to the many others who aided in the work of the 1941 drive.

It was reported that the Titan Metal Company and employees paid 42 per cent more in 1941 to the fund than in 1940. The total Titan contributions last year were approximately \$3400.

Of a total of \$14,696 pledged to the 1941 Welfare Fund, \$12,437.75 has been collected to date, and \$11,349.84 has been paid to the participating agencies. The amount paid to agencies represents two-thirds of the pledges. Administrative expenses for the year were \$522.98. When the fiscal year closed in April it is expected that 75 per cent of the total pledges will have been paid over to the following 17 agencies which receive most of their support from the Welfare Fund: Y. M. C. A., Centre County Hospital, Salvation Army, Community Athletic Association, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Logan Fire Company, A. M. E. church, Centre County Crippled Children's Association, Associated Charities, and the Milesburg Fire Company.

County Suffers Sub-Zero Cold

24 Degrees Below Zero Is Recorded; Coldest Weather in Years

Real winter weather descended upon Centre county during the middle of last week and for four days the county shivered most of the time in zero and sub-zero temperatures.

Beginning Tuesday and continuing through Friday the cold wave brought the mercury down as low as 24 degrees below zero at Pennsylvania Furnace and Clarence. Other county towns experienced the coldest weather they have seen for some years.

In Bellefonte the lowest official temperature recorded at the airport (Continued on Page Seven)

Car Stamps Now On Sale Locally

Bellefonte Postmaster George R. Meek yesterday reported that automobile stamps, a new wartime tax, are on sale at the postoffice.

Every car owner must purchase a stamp at \$2.00 each, before February 1, Mr. Meek said. The stamp will be in effect until July 1, when new stamps good for one year, must be purchased for \$5 each.

With the purchase of a stamp the car owner receives a card which must be mailed to the internal-revenue collector. The card certifies that the car owner has complied with the law.

Severe penalties are imposed for failure to obey the provisions of the law.

Bellefonte Home Damaged by Fire

Bellefonte was spared what might have been a serious fire in sub-zero temperatures about 9:30 o'clock last Wednesday night when firemen quickly got under control a blaze in the wall of the Mrs. Bessie Kofman home on East Linn street.

Undine Fire Company members found a brick fire in the walls near the flue, of an unused fireplace. Water from a booster tank was used in extinguishing the flames, after firemen had opened the wall to reach the blaze. Some damage resulted.

Awarded Road Contract
The B. B. Construction Company, Phillipsburg, was awarded a contract to improve 3.5 miles of road on U. S. Route 120 in Ridgway borough and township, Elk county, at a cost of \$208,716. Plans of the Highway Department called for macadam pavement 20 feet wide.

T. K. Larkin Named Justice of the Peace

T. K. Larkin, well known resident of Worth township, has been appointed by Governor James as Justice of the Peace in that township, and on Tuesday received the oath of office from Centre County Prothonotary Bond C. White.

Mr. Larkin, former resident of Chester county, moved to Worth township about a year ago and resides along route 220, near Port Matilda.

Police Volunteers Approved

The following volunteer civilian defense police officers, recommended by Leo F. Moerschbacher, of Port Matilda, and approved by the governor, will serve in Port Matilda under the direction of the Chief of Police of that borough: James H. Marshall, Sylvester W. Patton, Forrest S. Bish, Clifford Kelly, Rudolph C. Williams, LeRoy R. Williams, Clarence B. Wagner, Aaron C. Williams, George M. Rhule, Jr., Fred R. Wood, Samuel E. Nearhoof, F. J. Daughenbaugh, Harrison M. Crain, Homer W. Puit, John R. Prantz, Harold E. Bullock and Paul A. Smith.

Local Man Is Struck By Car

Joseph Abt Suffers Loss of Ear, Deep Laceration of Head, Body Bruises

Joseph Abt, aged 65, well known resident of West Bishop street, Bellefonte, last night was resting comfortably at the Centre County Hospital where he is undergoing treatment for injuries received Saturday night when he was struck by a car on South Allegheny street.

Mr. Abt's right ear was severed and he has a deep laceration on the head and bruises of the body.

According to reports by Bellefonte Borough police officers Jerry Galanda and Donald Johnson who conducted an investigation, Abt was struck in front of Everitt's drug store, South Allegheny street about 10:45 o'clock by a car driven by Elwood Johnson, Jr., of West Linn street, Bellefonte.

Johnson told police he didn't know anything was wrong until he felt a jar and heard a thud. He did not see Abt until after the car was stopped, Johnson said. It is believed the elderly man stepped out on the road from between cars parked along the curb.

Johnson at once summoned the Widdowson ambulance and the victim was taken to the Centre County Hospital where he soon regained consciousness.

Mr. Abt is widely known throughout Bellefonte and vicinity. He has been employed at the Katz store in Bellefonte for the past 25 years.

Begin Plans For Paralysis Fund Drive

Mrs. Balser Weber, of Howard, Centre county chairman for the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis, reports that plans are under way for Centre county's participation in the annual drive for funds to fight infantile paralysis.

The drive for funds, linked as it is with President Roosevelt's birthday, will be particularly significant because morning January 30 marks the President's sixtieth anniversary or Diamond Jubilee Birthday.

Mrs. Weber appeals to citizens all over the county to begin plans at once for dances, card parties, or other social events to help swell the county's contributions to the nation's fight against a dread disease. Information may be obtained from local chairmen.

Railroad Man Is Injured In Fall

J. H. Reed, 50, of Sunbury, employed as a brakeman by the Pennsylvania Railroad, suffered a compound fracture of the right leg above the ankle about 10:30 o'clock Monday morning when he fell from the top of a milk car near the Sheffield Milk plant, North Thomas street, Bellefonte.

The injured man was taken to the Centre County Hospital for treatment. The accident is believed to have been caused when Reed slipped and lost his footing.

Expert Marksmen
Eleven out of 577 freshmen engineers at the Pennsylvania State College qualified as experts with small bore rifles, according to Col. E. D. Ardry, in charge of the Reserve officers training corps. One hundred seventy four freshmen qualified as sharpshooters and 383 as marksmen.

Flag Raising Ceremony to Be Held Here

Logan Fire Company is First Organization to Sponsor Such Event

JUDGE IVAN WALKER WILL BE SPEAKER

Mayor Harris Also to Speak; All Organizations Asked to Take Part

A flag-raising ceremony, the first in Bellefonte since the United States entered World War II, will be held at 2 o'clock this Sunday afternoon, January 18, when a new flag purchased by the Logan Fire Company, is raised to the top of a new mast erected in front of the Logan House on East Howard street.

Principal speaker for the occasion will be Judge Ivan Walker, of the Centre county courts, while Mayor Hardman P. Harris, of Bellefonte, and Charles Schaeffer, president of the Logan Fire Company, also will speak briefly.

The committee in charge of arrangements: Alex Sterliska, Charles Mensch and P. M. Dubbs, and officers and members of the Logan Fire Company, take this means of extending a personal invitation to all fraternal, patriotic, and civic organizations in Bellefonte and vicinity to attend the flag-raising ceremony. Individual invitations cannot be issued because of the limited time before the event.

The exercises will be held in front of the Logan House. In case of bad weather the program will be held indoors.

The tentative program as arranged by the committee follows:

"America," by the Junior Legion Band, Bellefonte.

Invocation, Rev. C. Nevin Stamm, pastor of St. John's Returned church, Bellefonte.

Unfurling of the flag by the Boy Scout troop sponsored by the Logan Fire Company, while Junior Legion Band plays "The Star Spangled Banner."

Pledge of Allegiance, by audience.

Salute to flag, by firing squad from Jackson-Crisman-Saylor Post Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Remarks by Charles Schaeffer. (Continued on Page Seven)

Undine Club In Annual Dinner

Members, Drum Major-ettes Receive Gifts; Over 180 Attend Event

Upwards of 180 members and guests of the Undine Fire Company Marching Club were entertained at the third annual dinner of the club at the Penn Belle Hotel, Saturday night. Following the dinner a dance was held at the Undine home on East Bishop street.

Harold D. Cowher, past president of the Central District Volunteer Firemen's Association presided as toastmaster at the dinner. Speakers and honored guests included Msgr. William E. Downes, longtime 'friend' of the Undines; James R. Hughes, former Academy headmaster, and William Doll, who recently celebrated his fiftieth anniversary as a member of the Undine Fire Company.

John Gillen, president of the club, reported that during the year the group had won a total of \$550 in prizes, had traveled 1600 miles to appear in 16 out-of-town parades. (Continued on Page Eight)

Gillen Elected Head of Firemen's Group

At the annual organization meeting of the Board of Control of the Bellefonte Fire Department, Tuesday night, John Gillen was elected president of the group to succeed Arthur Boob.

Mr. Boob was elected vice-president; Philip Saylor was re-elected secretary, and Russell P. Beezer was re-elected treasurer.

The Board of Control administers the Firemen's Relief Fund.

Mercantile Appraiser Receives Instruction

Russell Spangler, of Blanchard, newly appointed mercantile appraiser for Centre County, was called to Williamsport yesterday to receive instruction in the duties of that office.

The appointment of Spangler to the county position was made by Auditor General F. Clair Ross.

Registration For Auxiliary Fire Service Will Begin Here Today

Registration of Bellefonte men interested in auxiliary fire service will begin today at the office of the Centre Democrat and other newspapers in Bellefonte. It was announced yesterday by Paul R. Emerick, who has been named Auxiliary Fire Warden for Centre County.

Classes for instruction in the fundamentals of fire fighting and in the handling of incendiary bombs will begin within the next ten days, Emerick said. The sessions will be held in the local fire houses one night a week for six weeks, with each class lasting for three hours.

Late last night it was announced that the first meeting of those from Bellefonte and vicinity interested in auxiliary fire training will be held at 7:30 o'clock next Thursday night, January 22, at the Undine Fire House, East Bishop street. At the session matters pertaining to the school will be fully explained.

Business men, particularly, are urged to register for the classes since their assistance may be vitally important in aiding regular firemen in case of fire or bombing emergencies. Similarly, boys of the senior class of the Bellefonte High school are asked to enroll for the classes. Students will be registered by the high school principal.

Instructors at the school will be volunteer firemen who have graduated from previous fire schools conducted here and at State College. Those who enroll for the school will be notified of the time and place for classes through newspapers and through bulletins to be posted at the various fire houses.

Similar schools are to be held in all Centre county towns in which there are volunteer fire companies, Mr. Emerick said. It is the plan to have at least 35 auxiliary firemen for each fire company in the county. Auxiliary firemen may be members of a volunteer company, but no active fire-fighter is a volunteer company is to enroll for the auxiliary course, Mr. Emerick declared, the purpose being to instruct as many "beginners" as possible in the science of fighting fires.

Persons who have registered for Civilian Defense may register for Auxiliary Fire Service without jeopardizing their previous registration, Emerick said.

George Carpeneto, of Bellefonte, has been named Auxiliary Fire Warden. (Continued on Page Seven)

See Hope For New School

Academy Alumni to Hold 1942 Reunion Here May 23

A possibility that a Pittsburgh philanthropist may erect a new and modern school in Bellefonte or vicinity for the purpose of educating needy and deserving young men, became evident Monday night at a meeting of the executive committee of the Bellefonte Academy Alumni in the Blue Room of the Fort Pitt Hotel, Pittsburgh.

The meeting was in the form of a dinner at which James Rooney, prominent Pittsburgher and former Academy student, was host. Among those present were: Dr. Gilbert "Stuffy" Meyers, Dr. Willard VanCamp, Dr. Robert Irwin Hyman LaBelle, Jacob Rugh, William Beck, all of Pittsburgh and vicinity, and Geo. Carpeneto and James R. Hughes, of Bellefonte.

The group set Saturday, May 23. (Continued on Page Six)

Nurses' Alumnae Monument Claims 3 More Victims

Mrs. Grace V. Tressler is Elected to Third Term as President

The annual luncheon meeting of the Centre County Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association was held Monday evening, January 12, in the directors' room at the hospital with Alumnae president, Grace V. Tressler, R. N., presiding. Fourteen members and one guest were present.

The candlelight luncheon tables were attractively decorated in Alumnae colors of blue and gold. The blessing was asked by Mrs. Artie Wauburn. Following a delicious luncheon, which had been arranged for by chairman Elizabeth Corman and a volunteer committee, short talks were given by Mrs. F. P. Geary, hospital superintendent, and by Miss Martha Walker, R. N., who is awaiting her appointment to an army post. Mrs. Mary Beezer spoke on "Home Nursing" and Miss Mary. (Continued on Page Six)

First National Bank Names 1942 Officers

At the annual organization meeting of the First National Bank of Bellefonte, Tuesday, the following officers were elected: Newell B. Long, president; W. Fred Reynolds, vice-president; Louis S. Schaefer, cashier; R. Lynn Krape, assistant cashier; Charles Mac C. Scott, trust officer; and J. Jackson Spangler, assistant trust officer.

Directors elected were: Newell B. Long, W. Fred Reynolds, James C. Furst, Thomas B. Beaver, Henry S. Linn, L. Frank Mayes, C. C. Shuey and Paul M. Corman.

Officers reported a satisfactory year in 1941.

Clarence Citizens Collect Aluminum

Several citizens of the Clarence area have collected a considerable pile of aluminum for defense purposes, and their efforts are particularly patriotic since the idea and the work were entirely voluntary.

At the head of the collection were Mrs. Marie Kolasa and John Krenkowsky, while valuable assistance was given by John Bugosh and James Kolasa. Mrs. Kolasa is the postmistress at Clarence.

Aged Man Breaks Leg

Adam Flaska, aged resident of near Clarence, suffered a compound fracture of the leg, near the ankle about 2 o'clock Monday afternoon when he slipped and fell while walking near the coke ovens at Clarence. He was taken to the Phillipsburg State Hospital in the ambulance of Ven B. Johnson, of Snow Shoe.

Meeting Marks 24th Year Ext. Work In County

Agricultural Association Meets and Elects Officers

BLANEY CITES NEED FOR PRODUCTION

Visiting Experts on Agricultural Subjects Give Timely Talks

Twenty-four years of agricultural extension work in Centre county distinguished the all-day meeting held in the Court House at Bellefonte last Friday. The meeting was in charge of Henry A. Stover, Aaronsburg, president of the Centre County Agricultural Extension Association.

Election of officers resulted in the following being chosen to serve for 1942: President, Henry A. Stover, Aaronsburg; vice president, George McCormick, Spring Mills; secretary, William Campbell, Centre Hall; treasurer, W. C. Smeiter, Bellefonte.

Ralph C. Blaney, Agricultural Extension Agent, reported on the last year's activities and plans for this year's work. He stated that the Centre County Agricultural Extension Service was organized in 1917 during the last World War and has operated for almost a quarter of a century, and today must again carry on a program suitable to war conditions. People have been, and will continue to be called upon for increased milk production, crop production, utilization of all farm machinery through repair, etc. Extension's place in this crisis is to instruct and educate people to step up production by efficient methods of care and management. We have a tremendous task ahead of us to feed not only our own people, but to furnish food supplies for other countries. Demands for food stuffs can be met if we do our job; and Centre county, as a small part of the entire United States' farming industry, has its work to do in this national emergency. In order to supply information to our Centre county people to help secure a more efficient output on the farm, two all-day meetings have been planned for the near future, a Dairy Day and Poultry Day. They will be advertised and notices. (Continued on Page Eight)

Head Injury Is Fatal to Youth

Penn State Student Dies in Hospital After Fall Down Stairs

John Thomas Lynch, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lynch of Darby, a freshman at Penn State College, died at 3:50 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the Centre County Hospital here as the result of head injuries suffered Saturday morning in a fall.

The student, who had been working part time to finance his education, is reported to have left a physical education class in White Hall on the college campus about 9:45 o'clock Saturday morning after complaining that he did not feel well. It is believed that he fainted and fell down an outside service stairway where he was found shortly afterward. However, snow on the steps was not disturbed. It is reported, Lynch suffered a fractured skull.

Centre County Coroner Charles. (Continued on Page Seven)

Equipment for School Okayed

Board Authorizes Expenditure of \$49,000; Salary Increase Denied

The Bellefonte School Board at a regular meeting Monday night signified its willingness to spend approximately \$49,000 for furniture and equipment for the new high school building giving the "go-ahead" signal for the purchase of enough equipment to completely furnish all departments of the school with the exception of a new art department.

Furnishings for an art department were excluded from the list when the finance committee pointed out that the department is a new one in the school curriculum and that \$49,000 is the maximum amount which it is deemed advisable to spend at this time.

Awarding of contracts for the furniture and equipment is scheduled. (Continued on Page Six)

EXHAUST SMOKE CITED AS CAUSE OF ACCIDENT

The heavy white fog which pours from an automobile exhaust pipe on a frosty morning was assigned as the cause of an accident at the Oak Hill intersection last Thursday morning.

According to reports a car driven by C. G. Conway, of Boalsburg, was struck because the driver of another car couldn't see through the fog from Conway's exhaust pipe. Damage to Conway's car was placed at \$75. He is employed as a guard at Rockview penitentiary.

MAN AND WOMAN HURT WHEN CAR HITS BRIDGE

Ernie Wagner, of State College, and Dorsey Corl, of State College, R. D., suffered injuries early Monday morning when their car skidded into a concrete bridge at the intersection of Route 322 and the Earleystown road.

Miss Wagner, operator of the car, suffered injuries about the chest when she was thrown against the steering wheel. Corl received lacerations of the face when he struck the windshield. They underwent treatment in the offices of a State college physician.

Install Additional Parking Meters Here

Reed Elected To Head Labor Union

At the January meeting of the Centre County Central Labor Union, Orvis W. Reed, of Bellefonte, was chosen president for the year. Other officers named at the organization meeting were: Claude Poorman, vice president; John Weaver, financial secretary; Clyde Watson, treasurer; George S. Kellerman, recording secretary; Anthony Rignin, guardian; Ray Johnson, guide, and trustees Ray Johnson D. C. Ross and Snyder Stover.

The same officers will head the Central Pennsylvania Conference of Central Labor Unions, which includes all Central Labor Unions in Central Pennsylvania.

Fire Near State College

The Alpha Fire Company, State College, was called to the home of Elwood Horner, four miles west of State College, about 9:30 o'clock last Wednesday night to battle a fire. Damage of about \$10 resulted when firemen were forced to cut a small hole in the roof to reach the blaze.

February Court Jurors Chosen

Grand Jury to Meet Feb. 9; Criminal Court to Open Monday, Feb. 23

Jurors to serve during the regular February term of court were drawn this week by Jury Commissioners J. W. Conder of Spring Mills, and Fred B. Healy, of Bellefonte, with the assistance of Sheriff Edward R. Miller, Margery M. Hull, of Bellefonte, acted as clerk to the board.

The Grand Jury is scheduled to meet on Monday, February 9, and Criminal court will open two weeks later, February 23. The regular civil court will convene the following Monday, March 2.

Following are the jurors drawn:

GRAND JURY (Meets Monday, February 9)
Benks, Julia, hswife—State College
Billet, Irvin S., dist. State College
Bowers, J. B., com. off. Phillipsburg
Bratton, Geo. W., Sr., representative—Phillipsburg
Burkholder, Carl F., lab. Centre Hall
Elich, Joseph W., lab.—Phillipsburg
Fink, Paul B., lab. Port Matilda R.D. (Continued on Page Six)

Course For Mechanics To Be Given Here

In answer to the demand for trained and semi-trained mechanical labor in defense industries, a new course in tractor, truck and automobile mechanics will be conducted under the direction of the Bellefonte School District. The classes will be held at the Jodon garage on South Water street each evening from 7:30 to 10:30 o'clock. Enrollment will begin at once. Both boys and girls over 17 years of age are eligible to enroll.

There has never been so great an opportunity as at the present time to receive training at a cost of nothing but your time. The enrollment is limited. The time to enroll is now at the Jodon garage.

Contributed to Party Fund.

In a recent news item in this newspaper listing contributors to the Pleasant Gap Inter-Organization fund for a Christmas party at Pleasant Gap, a \$5 contribution was erroneously credited to Logan Grange instead of the Logan Drama Club.

Three Centre County Youths To Receive High Honors at Farm Show

Three Centre Countyans, two of them from the Bellefonte area, are among 93 Future Farmers of America in Pennsylvania who will receive the coveted Keystone Farmers Degree at the State Farm Show in Harrisburg next week. It was announced yesterday by Guy W. Korman, instructor of vocational agriculture in the Bellefonte high school.

The three are Samuel Holubec, of Aremann, and Charles McKinley, of near Milesburg, both senior students at the Bellefonte high school, and Glenn Wolfe, of Spring Mills, student at the Gregg Township Vocational School.

To win the degree the boys passed unusually rigid requirements, among which were membership in the FFA for at least two years, two years' instruction in vocational agriculture, thorough knowledge of parliamentary procedure, ability to lead group discussions, qualities of general leadership, a rating in the upper ten per cent scholastically in all high school subjects, and many other qualifications. Only 2 per cent of the FFA enrollment of the state is eligible for the degree.

The boys will receive the degree and an emblematic gold key to appropriate exercises at the Farm Show.

Holubec has been honored additionally by being elected to serve on the committee to plan the program of work for the Keystone Farmers during the coming year. His baby chick project recently won second place in the entire state.

At the show, Holubec, McKinley and Irvin Eisenhour, of near Milesburg also a student at the Bellefonte High, will give a demonstration on how to prepare eggs for market. The demonstration is scheduled to be held at 11:30 o'clock Monday morning, January 19.

Two-Hour Machines Being Placed on High and Allegheny Streets

SPECIAL MACHINES NEAR POSTOFFICE

Some to Give 12-Minute Parking; Some Up to 2 Hours' Time

Yesterday Borough workmen began installing the new two-hour meters on High and Allegheny streets.

These meters which can be identified by their green color will give the motorists two hours of parking time by inserting two nickels should he desire to park for that length of time.

Should you desire to park for only twelve minutes you can do so by inserting one penny. However, if you desire to stay for a longer period it will be necessary to insert a nickel, as this meter differs from the older ones in that not more than twelve minutes time can be received with pennies, whereas, with the older meters with the aluminum head, an hour of time can be built up entirely with pennies. In other words they are adjusted to give 12 minutes for one penny or one hour for one nickel and two hours for two nickels.

For the convenience of postoffice patrons ten special 12-minute meters have been installed—five in front of the postoffice and five on the opposite side of Allegheny street. These meters can be identified by their bronze color and will give only 12 minutes of parking time for one penny. These have been installed for the purpose of having car spaces. (Continued on Page Six)

Local Girl Is Junior Senator

Miss Ada Stenger Attends Session of Model Senate in Harrisburg

Miss Ada Stenger, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Stenger, Jr., of Bellefonte, was the Junior Senator from the 94th Senatorial District of Pennsylvania at the model Senate held in Harrisburg on Tuesday, December 30. The model senate is sponsored each year by the Pennsylvania State Educational Association.

The purpose of the model senate is to further the knowledge of students in social science classes as to the manner in which a meeting of the regular State Senate is conducted. This is the first time in a number of years that Bellefonte has had the honor of sending a representative to the Senate meeting. There were 76 delegates and alternates at the sessions.

The morning session of the Junior Senators was a general business session. (Continued on Page Three)

WALKER TOWNSHIP GIRL TO READ POEM ON RADIO

Miriam Kesinger will represent Walker Township High School on the "Scholastic" broadcast January 16. Her poem, "The Land of Down Behind," will be included in a special program scheduled for 1:15 EST, on the NBC-Blue network.

This is the fourth in a series of monthly broadcasts presented by "Scholastic" in cooperation with Ted Malone on his popular poetry program "Between the Bookends." Mr. Malone will devote his entire program to the work of high school writers.

Miriam's poem will also be published in the January 12 issue of "Scholastic."