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TEACHERS GRANTED PAY INCREASES

Three High School Teachers Elected

Tax Rate Remains at 34 Mills; \$4 Per Capita Rate

HUNTING, FISHING ABSENCES BANNED

Cancellation of Contracts During School Year Are Discouraged

In a five-hour session held Monday night in the Supervising Principal's offices at the Academy, the Bellefonte School Board transacted a number of important matters.

Highlights of the session included:

1. Granting salary increases of from \$50 to \$100 a year to every regular school employe for the current year, and increases of from \$60 to \$120 to all teachers during the coming year, with certain exceptions.
2. Fixing the tax rate for the 1942-43 school year at 34 mills and \$4 per capita tax. This is the same rate as was in effect during the current year.
3. Employment of three teachers; one a replacement, and two additional teachers, for the coming term when classes are expected to be conducted in the new building.
4. Fixing a policy that the first days of fishing and hunting seasons are not valid excuses for pupil absences, and making it mandatory for pupils absent at any time on fishing and hunting trips to make up the school work that is missed.

The recommendation for increase in salaries for teachers and other school employes was made after consideration of a report submitted by the Personnel Committee. The committee, headed by R. C. Blaney, indicated that it had studied the entire matter of wages and that the report embodied what it believed to be a fair distribution of increases totaling \$3,000 for the current year. Salary increases suggested and approved for next year will total \$4,250, the committee reported.

The text of the committee report follows:

"(a) In view of increased duties and advanced living costs due to

Physical Fitness To Be Conference Topic

Final plans have been completed for the Physical Fitness Conference to be held at Pennsylvania State College on Saturday, April 25. The conference is being held in order that community leaders throughout the commonwealth of Pennsylvania may come together to discuss ways and means of improving the physical fitness of both children and adults. School leaders will find many practical suggestions presented at this meeting which will be of special value to them and their work.

School administrators, supervisors and teachers; health workers, recreation leaders, and others interested in the program of health, physical education, recreation, and school camps are cordially invited to attend. Registration will be held in the Sparks Building, Pennsylvania State College, and there will be no registration fee.

Complimentary tickets will be available for Penn State-Duquesne practice football game at 2 p. m., and the "Penn State Revue of 1942" at 8 p. m.

All in all, Pennsylvania State College will present on that day not only authorities of its own staff, but outstanding leaders in physical fitness.

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Pleasant Gap Firemen Dine

Annual Banquet Held at Rayona Camp; 100 Members, Guests Present

Members of the Pleasant Gap Fire Company and their guests, numbering about 100 persons in all, gathered at the Rayona Cottage in the Seven Mountains, Saturday night, for the annual banquet of the company.

An unusually fine dinner, a few brief addresses and introduction of guests, and a social hour afterward featured the annual gathering. Music was furnished by a band recruited from the membership of the Bellefonte High School Band, with Harold Wion as director.

Al Besecker, corresponding secretary of the company, toastmaster, was introduced by Nevin Adkins, president of the club who gave a brief address of welcome. W. J. Tucker pronounced blessing at the beginning of the dinner.

Other officers of the Pleasant Gap company introduced during the evening.

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GHOST SHOW AT PLAZA AT MIDNIGHT, SUNDAY

Beginning at one minute after midnight, Sunday, April 19, Duro's Spiritualistic Seance and Ghost Show will be presented on the stage of the Plaza Theatre, Bellefonte.

This is not a vaudeville act. There is nothing on the stage or screen like it. It is a presentation of a reproduction of materialism. It is an attempt to look beyond the veil to see what goes beyond.

Ghosts will appear and sit in the audience. Such objects as chairs and tables rise and float through the air in a manifestation that may cause cold shivers to run through your spine. A message from the dead, a spirit hand, floating through thin air, will give directions which you dare not follow.

Also on the screen a thrilling, chilling picture which we dare you to sit through.

Couple Injured In Motor Crash

Mr. and Mrs. Murdock Clancy in Bryn Mawr Hospital; Had Visited Here

En route to their home in Brookline, near Philadelphia, after attending the funeral of Mrs. Charles Hassinger of East Curtin street, Bellefonte, last Thursday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Murdock Clancy were painfully injured when their car and another machine collided near Steelton.

Mrs. Clancy, the former Helen McClure, of Bellefonte, suffered a fractured pelvis, fracture of the nose and other injuries. Mr. Clancy received several broken ribs, a fracture of a hip socket and severe bruises. They were taken to the Harrisburg Hospital and later were removed by ambulance to the Bryn Mawr Hospital.

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Five Get Permits to Buy Automobiles

Certificates issued by local Rationing Board No. 2 for acquisition of new passenger automobiles from March 2 to April 2, were:

Bellefonte Central Railroad Co. Sutton Engineering Company, Paul C. Sheffer, Warner Company, Inc., all of Bellefonte, and Emro Drapcho, of Clarence.

Quick Meals To Be Featured at Cooking School at Y.M.C.A. Today

The first class of the Centre Democrat Homemaking School opened Wednesday afternoon to an audience of women whose curiosity had been aroused by the promise of a culinary trip to the Pennsylvania Dutch Country. And they weren't disappointed!

Lecturer Dorothy Bathgate and her assistant, Mrs. Pevry, appeared in costumes that were gay, modern versions of quaint, old-fashioned dresses. Then Mrs. Bathgate, in turn, introduced her kitchen which was also a gay, modern version of a Pennsylvania Dutch one. The colors and decorations were adapted from authentic Dutch designs—but the electric equipment was pure 1942. Together, they made a jolly combination of quaint and streamlined.

For this special Pennsylvania Dutch Day, Mrs. Bathgate had prepared a series of traditional recipes adapted to today's cooking equipment methods. She told briefly about the background of her Dutch program before she started her cook-

ing, and in giving the recipes she contrasted the original methods the Dutch maistran used with those possible with up-to-date electric equipment. As she said, we are thankful that we don't have to cook by the laborious methods they used in those days.

Another point that Mrs. Bathgate made in her friendly talk was the fact that the Dutch housewife was handicapped by her limited food supply. She had to make use of those foods that were in season in the garden, or that she could can or store for the winter. For instance, in making chow-chow, one of the recipes on the program, the Dutch usually started out in the spring when the seeds were planted for the vegetables—while the modern housewife's version of this dish begins at the grocery store.

Chow-chow was one of the examples of the traditional "seven soups" of the traditional "seven soups" which the "seven soups" include Shooie Pie or Potato Custard Pie, which Mrs. Bathgate also made. She

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Joins Naval Reserves



A. L. MCGINLEY, 3rd.

Following his father's footsteps, Abraham L. McGinley, 3rd, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McGinley, Jr., of South Spring street, has enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserves and is scheduled to report for duty at Pittsburgh, today.

When World War I was declared, the youth's father, then a member of the senior class at the Bellefonte High School, enlisted in the Navy. Upon leaving school to report for service, he was granted his high school diploma.

A. L. McGinley, 3rd, now a member of the Junior class at the Bellefonte High School, left school on Monday of this week upon being notified to report at Pittsburgh. Because he has more than a full year of school to complete, he is taking his credentials with him in the better training in naval schools may entitle him to a high school diploma.

McGinley is 17 years old and for several years has played the symbols and the bass drum in the Bellefonte American Legion Junior Band, of which his sister, Jeanette, is majorette.

In addition to his studies at the high school, he has completed 85 hours of instruction on airplane engines at the Bellefonte Airport Pilots' Training School.

Howard Citizen Dies In Hospital

Illness Fatal to Thomas Stolz, 71, Well Known Miller; Funeral Today

Thomas Stolz, well known miller of Howard, died at 5:50 o'clock on Monday afternoon, April 13, 1942, at the Lock Haven Hospital, after a week's illness with diabetes.

Mr. Stolz for many years was employed as a salesman for the Donovan & Bressler wholesale firm in Williamsport and when that company discontinued business some years ago he entered the milling business in Howard. Two years ago when the mill was destroyed by fire, he moved into the former mattress factory building where he had continued to operate his mills.

Mr. Stolz was a member of the Methodist church; the Muncy Blue Lodge; the Williamsport Consistory; Jaffa Shrine, Altoona, and the Jersey Shore Moose Lodge. He was at one time president of the Howard school board and was a member of the Howard Fire Company.

He was a son of George and Mary Downing Stolz and was born at Muncy on March 9, 1871, making his age at time of death 71 years, 1 month and 4 days.

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Leslie Shultz Injured in State College Crash

Leslie Shultz, of East Prospect avenue, State College, formerly of Bellefonte, was painfully injured late Saturday morning when his car collided with a Beaver Baking Company truck driven by J. Lawrence Secora, of Lewistown, at the corner of Foster avenue and Pugh street, State College.

Shultz, who sustained injuries to the head and chest, was taken to the Centre County Hospital in the Alpha Fire Company ambulance and was discharged Sunday. Secora suffered bruises of the right arm.

Total damage was estimated at \$250.

Mother-Daughter Banquet Here May 8

The annual mother and daughter banquet sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A. will be held at the "Y" on Friday evening, May 8, it was announced yesterday.

The date for the annual dinner was fixed at a regular meeting of the organization, Friday night.

Other business transacted included the purchase of an electric range for the Y. M. C. A. kitchen, which is maintained and operated by the Auxiliary.

Draft Boards Prepare to Register All Men From 45 to 65 Years Old

Monday, April 27, 1942, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., is the "R" day for all men who attained their 45th birthday on or before February 16, 1942, and have not attained their 65th birthday on April 27, 1942.

Plans are being made to register one and one-half times the number registered in the Third Registration and should be approximately 10% of the 1940 population.

Because of the difficulties which may be experienced with elderly registrants, registration places have been carefully located, sufficient registrars have been provided so that long delays will be avoided.

Local Board No. 1 of Centre county will have one registration place in State College, at the State College High School, 154 West Nittany avenue. There will be plenty of room and shelter in case of inclement weather. The Pennsylvania State College will cooperate in furnishing registrars. The student problem does not enter this registration, hence there will be no registration place on the Campus. The office of Local Board No. 1 is too small for this registration. Every effort will be made to handle any volume of business at all times.

The Municipal Building in Millheim will take care of the men in that area.

The third registration place will be in Pleasant Gap. Probably the Logan Grange Hall or the school near the railroad. The exact location will be announced in a few days. The Titan Metal Co. will not have so many men in this registration, hence the registration place is moved nearer the center of population. Each registration place will be supervised by a member of the board or one of its clerks. In this way, many of the annoying errors can be eliminated that usually occur when a greater number of places in charge of volunteers are established.

Local Draft Board No. 2 of Bellefonte, plans to establish seven registration places and they will be located in Phillipsburg, Snow Shoe, Port Matilda, Millburg, Howard, and Bellefonte. In Port Matilda the registration place will be in the Community Hall; in Millburg at the fire hall, and in Bellefonte in the Logan fire house and at the Draft Board offices in the basement of the post office. Definite registration places have not been obtained in the other towns of the area.

The Draft Board office in Bellefonte will be open Saturday, April 25, from 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m., and on Sunday, April 26, from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. to receive registrations from those who will be unable to or who will find it inconvenient to register on the 27th.

All persons are urged to register at the registration place nearest their homes.

Schools will be closed on this day so that the teachers will be available.

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Record Through Report Trout Catch Heavy

Edward Osmer Reported to Have Landed 29 1/2 Inch Monster

Despite the threats the armed forces industry have made on the male population, the opening of the 1942 fishing season, in Centre county showed no appreciable decline in the number of anglers over previous years, a survey last night indicated.

Spring Creek, Mecca for fishermen from all parts of Pennsylvania, was lined solidly with men and women, and the old struggle to find enough room along the bank to drop a line in the creek prevailed. There was the same story of tangled lines and of the Coney Island atmosphere as hundreds of fishermen tried to fish the "widies" to enjoy the first day's sport.

And it was a day of sport for most anglers, for despite high waters liberally blurred with mud, there were some excellent catches. A number of anglers quit early in the morning after snaring their limit of ten.

Largest fish, unofficially reported was a 29 1/2-inch 6 1/2-pound monster taken out of upper Spring Creek by Edward Osmer, one of Bellefonte's expert anglers. The trout may be the largest one to be caught all year, for many a season record has been captured by fish inches smaller than Osmer's catch.

The lowly angle-worm was the favorite lure yesterday, because of

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Women's Clubs To Convene Here

Session to be Held at Presbyterian Chapel on Saturday, April 25

Centre County's Federated Women's Clubs will gather for a spring meeting at the Presbyterian Chapel on North Spring street in Bellefonte, at 10:30 a. m. Saturday, April 25.

Mrs. Arthur Cowell, of State College, who is president of the Centre County Federation of Women's Clubs, has planned a most instructive and entertaining program in keeping with her theme of the club year, "Know Thy County."

During the morning session H. Gleason Matoon, of Philadelphia, who is executive secretary of the

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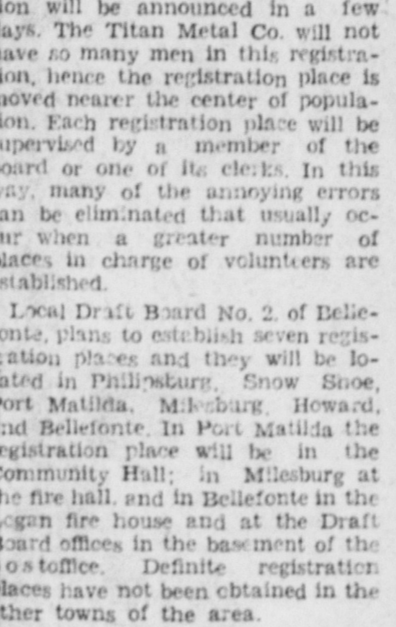
County School Heads Get \$500 Pay Increase

At the annual meeting of the Centre County School Directors' Association held Tuesday morning in the Court House, Bellefonte, F. Glenn Rogers of Nittany, was elected to his fifth four-year term as County Superintendent of Schools, while Lewis R. Lenhart of Bellefonte, was re-elected Assistant Superintendent.

The association voted salary increases of \$500 a year each to the superintendent and assistant superintendent.

With the increases, the superintendent's salary is now \$4,500 annually, while the assistant receives \$3,500 a year. The salaries are paid by the State.

Heads Elks Lodge



MALCOLM L. WETZLER

Malcolm L. Wetzler, of Millburg, was installed as exalted ruler of the Bellefonte Elks Lodge at ceremonies conducted at the Elks Home, West High street, Monday night, by officers of the Altoona lodge.

Others inducted into office at the same time were: T. R. Rush, leading knight; Ralph Toner, loyal knight; Edward R. Miller, lecturing knight; John Bottorff, tyler; Dr. Richard P. Neill, secretary; William H. Brouse, treasurer, and John C. Anderson, trustee. The officers were elected last month.

Mr. Wetzler also was named delegate to the Grand Lodge convention in Omaha, Neb.

Appointive officers who assumed their new positions during the ceremony, Monday, were: R. L. Heverly, equire; W. Fred Clevetnick, chaplain, and Grover Corman, inner guard.

The installation ceremony followed a baked ham dinner served at the home. Entertainment was provided by The Little German Band of Lock Haven.

V.F.W. Auxiliary Elects Officers

Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall Retained as President; Installation April 27

Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall was re-elected president of the Auxiliary to Jackson-Crisman-Saylor Post 1600, V. F. W., Bellefonte, at a regular meeting Monday evening in the Post Home on West High street. Twenty-four members were present.

Other officers named for the year were: Mrs. Hazel Glenn, senior vice president; Mrs. Anna Boyer, junior vice president; Mrs. Lena Garis, treasurer; Mrs. Evelyn Cain, chaplain; Mrs. Barbara L. Kline, conductor; Mrs. Clara Gross, guard, and Mrs. Clair McMurtrie, trustee for 18 months.

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Athletic Association Elects 1942 Officers

Marvin J. Rothrock was re-elected president of the Bellefonte Community Athletic Association at the annual meeting of the group held Friday night at the Bellefonte Y. M. C. A.

Other officers chosen at the session included Thomas Beaver, re-elected vice president; Guy Brown, re-elected treasurer, and Paul Beaver, secretary.

Directors re-elected for two years were: Mr. Rothrock, George I. Purnell, Horace J. Hartranft, J. Paul Walizer and Samuel D. Rhinesmith. New directors named were Edward L. Kelchline and M. I. Claster. These directors remain in office: Thomas Beaver, Guy Brown, Paul S. Beaver, Ralph Dale, Francis Crawford, Charles M. Thompson and W. W. Sieg.

Among contemplated improvements at the athletic field this spring are removal of some humps from the football field, repairs to the fence, and construction of a walk in front of the grandstand.

At the meeting it was reported that the debt had been substantially reduced during the year.

Red Cross to Name Board of Directors

All members of Bellefonte Chapter American Red Cross are urged to attend the annual meeting of that organization at the Court House here at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, April 21, when a board of directors will be elected. Because of the vital part the Red Cross is expected to play in the war effort during the coming year, Chairman Frederick Warner requests that a large majority of members participate in the selection of the new board.

Members of the nominating committee are R. C. Blaney, chairman, Bellefonte; Mrs. Millard Schreffler, of Pleasant Gap, and Mrs. W. K. McDowell, of Howard.

33 Local Men Finish Courses



MALCOLM L. WETZLER

Thirty-three students from the Bellefonte class center have been awarded certificates of completion for having satisfactorily passed courses in the Pennsylvania State College's fourth engineering defense training program. M. T. Bunnell, superintendent in charge of class centers, announced today.

A similar fifth program of federally-financed courses designed to train men and women for work in war industries, is now being offered in 125 towns and cities throughout the State, including Bellefonte.

The classes are conducted under the Engineering, Science, and Management Defense Training Program of the United States Office of Education.

Certificates of completion were awarded to students in the following courses:

Applied Mechanics taught by Joseph E. Russell; A. Jendrisk, Ralph Rhoads, Joseph S. Sprout, Hassel Thompson, Richard Ulrich, and John M. Roberts.

Engineering Drafting I and II.

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Two Additional Thefts Admitted

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Nevin implicated Clarence Auman, 28, of near Spring Mills, in the additional crimes, police said.

Nevin, in the Centre county jail awaiting transportation to the State Industrial School at White Hall, admitted breaking into the Howard Brick store, in Hillheim during November 1941, and to burglarizing the Thomas Hosterman garage at Coburn last February, it was reported.

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Engagement Announced

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Young Peanut Seller, Locked In Plaza Theatre, Suffers Severe Shock

Linn Howard, 10-year-old lad who sells peanuts about Bellefonte, is confined to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard, Bellefonte, suffering from what is described as "severe mental shock" as the result of finding himself locked inside the Plaza theatre, Bellefonte, Friday night.

The youngster, who is well known to hundreds of persons throughout this area, is reported to be recovering slowly from his experience.

The lad and his older brother attended the last performance at the Plaza, Friday night. When the brother left he forgot about Linn, who is believed to have been fast asleep in a seat well down toward the front of the theatre.

The brother went home, apparently believing that Linn had left the movies and had gone to make a late round of Bellefonte places to sell peanuts. When the youngster failed to return home after midnight his parents became alarmed and instituted a search about town.

The night wore on and no one knew what had become of the boy. Finally in desperation the family got in touch with Fred Fisher, manager of the theatre, at 4:45 a. m. Saturday. Fisher went to the theatre and after a brief search Linn was found sleeping on the floor in front of a seat. He had quite a severe bump on the back of his head, believed to have been received when he rolled off the seat.

The lad was taken to the Centre County Hospital where an x-ray examination revealed that the head injury was not of a serious nature, and he was permitted to return home. The attending physician reports that the youth suffered a severe mental shock, presumably from having awakened during the night and finding himself alone in the large darkened theatre.

Mr. Fisher declared that theatre employes before locking the building Friday night made their usual check of the auditorium to be sure everyone was out, and that they saw nothing of Linn at that time. The belief was expressed that he might have been sleeping lengthwise across one of the seats and that his small form might have been overlooked.

Linn has hundreds of friends among those who frequent hotels, restaurants, and other public gathering places. His serious, courteous manner as he makes his rounds with his basket of peanuts won him a substantial trade.

All Income-Earners To Be Interviewed

Dog Gives Warning of Fraternity Fire

A Manchester terrier named Pilzezer, mascot of the Alpha Fraternity at the corner of Foster avenue and Locust Lane, State College, barked warning of a basement fire to his student masters Monday afternoon and saved their house from possible heavy damage.

The fire, thought to have started in a trash pile in the furnace room, ate its way up into rafters and flooring of the clubroom before Alpha Fire Company, called out about 2 p. m., extinguished it with water from booster tanks.

Daniel C. Gillespie, College student, was slightly burned about the face when he investigated the place. He was treated by a member of the Alpha first aid crew. Damage to the house, including flooring torn up so the fire could be reached, was estimated at under \$50.

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Awarded Certificates in Penn State's Defense Training Program

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Victory Pledge Drive Opens Today Throughout County

PLEDGES ARE LOANS BACKED BY NATION

No High-Pressure Methods to be Used; Information Confidential

Sometime between now and Monday, April 20, the patriotic Centre Countyman has a most important duty to perform.

Sometime in the four-day period it is his duty to sign a pledge that beginning now and continuing throughout the present emergency he will buy a certain amount of Defense Savings Bonds or Stamps every pay day, every week, or every month, if he is financially able to do so.

For beginning this morning Pennsylvania launched what is without doubt the greatest campaign in the history of the commonwealth to obtain funds for carrying on a war effort.

The Pledge for Victory campaign is not a cheap "rally-around-the-flag" gesture of patriotism. It is a sober, serious business with a three-fold purpose; to finance the war, to prevent inflation and to cushion the post-war slump which is sure to follow cessation of war activity.

The Centre County Defense Savings Staff, ably headed by Claude G. Aikens of State College, for many weeks has been preparing to conduct the campaign so that every income-earner in the county may sign his Pledge for Victory with a minimum of effort.

Sometime during the weekend one of your neighbors who has volunteered his time and efforts to the cause, will call upon you at your home or business place, will explain the Pledge to you and will ask you to sign. He will not ask you for any money—in fact he has instructions not to accept money for Bonds or Stamps even if you offer it. All he wants is your signature on a pledge that at regular intervals most convenient for you, you will purchase a certain amount of Bonds or Stamps.

The canvasser will not pry into your personal matters. He will not seek to learn the source or amount of your income. He will not attempt to tell you how much or how little you should pledge. Whatever your pledge may be, you may rest assured that it will be treated with utmost confidence and will not be divulged.

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I. O. O. F. OFFICERS TO BE INSTALLED HERE TONIGHT

Officers of Centre Lodge, Bellefonte I. O. O. F. will be installed by District Deputy Grand Master Charles B. Musser to be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall here this Thursday night.

The installation will be held after the third degree is