

HOUCK TO GO ON TRIAL, MONDAY

Is Formally Charged With 5 Local Attacks

Teichert Case Slated to Be Called For Trial First

COURT APPOINTS DEFENSE COUNSEL

Defendant to Be Brought From Workhouse Late This Week

Hoy Kenneth Houck, former Bellefonte electrician, now serving time in the Allegheny County Workhouse for an attack on a girl at Lock Haven, will go on trial here Monday on five charges of assault resulting from a series of attacks on Centre county women last year.

Houck is scheduled to be brought to the county jail here from the workhouse, Saturday or Sunday, according to reports from the offices of Sheriff Edward R. Miller.

Acting upon a plea by the defendant to appoint counsel for Houck during the forthcoming trials, Centre county Judge Ivan Walker this week appointed Lewis Orvis Harvey of Bellefonte, to handle the former orchestra leader's interests in the first case to go to trial, in which Mrs. Bonna Teichert of State College, was the victim.

Other attorneys will be named to represent Houck in the other four cases, it was indicated.

Mr. Harvey, together with attorney Samuel Jubeliner of Altoona, last fall represented Houck at his trial in Lock Haven on a charge of attacking a girl in that city. That trial led to his conviction and sentence to the workhouse. Sometime after the Clinton county proceedings, announcement was made that attorneys Harvey and Jubeliner no longer were retained by Houck, and it was indicated that the court would be asked to name an attorney for the Centre county trials.

Court-appointed attorneys receive no fees either from the defendant or the county.

The District Attorney's office said yesterday that the first case upon which Houck will stand trial is the one in which he is charged with assault and battery with intent to murder Mrs. Ernest J. Teichert, of State College, last June 10. The prosecution will contend that intent to commit murder was present when Houck allegedly struck his victim on

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U.S. Army May Buy Academy
Negotiations Now Under Way; Would Be Used As Training School

Proceedings pointing toward the sale of the Bellefonte Academy property to the federal government for use as a training school for the Army Intelligence, are reported to be progressing favorably, it was reported yesterday by Karl E. Kusse, secretary of the Bellefonte Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Kusse was in Harrisburg on Monday to interview J. W. Kline & Co., real estate dealers who have been negotiating with Attorney James C. Furst, of Bellefonte, representative of the Fidelity Trust Company of Pittsburgh, owners of the Academy, and government officials in Washington.

If the deal is completed, Mr. Kusse said, the school would accommodate approximately 300 students. The Harrisburg Academy has been purchased by the government for similar use, and there are now 350 students there, it is reported.

Educator Dies

OGDEN B. MALIN
An illness of several years' duration proved fatal to Ogden B. Malin, well known Bellefonte resident and professor of metallurgy in the School of Mineral Industries at Penn State College, who died at his home on North Allegheny street at 2 o'clock Saturday morning, May 9, 1942.

Mr. Malin's illness had not prevented him from continuing his teaching and other activities up until a week or more before his death. He had been confined to bed for three days.

A veteran of World War I, Mr. Malin served during that conflict in the Ordnance Department at Sandy Hook. He was active in civic and community affairs; was past-exalted ruler of the Bellefonte Elks lodge, former chief of the Logan Fire Company, and past commander of the

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Feature 'Introduction Dance' at Reunion

The old time "introduction dance" once popular at the Bellefonte Academy years ago, will be revived at the dance to be held at the Penn Belle Hotel, Bellefonte, Saturday night, May 23, after the third annual banquet of the Academy Alumni Association, it was announced yesterday.

Ordinarily formal introductions will be done away with and men and women, strangers to each other, will introduce themselves at will. This form of introduction is being advocated in order to "break the ice" during the few brief hours that former Academy students will have to renew old friendships and acquaintances.

The banquet committee urges all Bellefonte and Centre county residents who expect to attend the banquet to notify George Carpeneto, local chairman, immediately, so that reservations may be made.

The hour for the beginning of the dance has not been set definitely, but those who wish to attend are asked to gather in the Penn Belle lobby or elsewhere in the hotel anytime after 10 p. m.

Repairman Predicts Great Things of Bellefonte's Ailing Town Clock

Bellefonte's town clock atop the Court House which has been giving all manner of fictitious time for the past number of weeks, yesterday began to function with the clocklike regularity that we Bellefonters expect of it.

Thanks to the improvement goes to Mr. Joseph Doff, of the Howard Clock Sales and Service Corporation (adv.), who has been fixing big clocks for a matter of 28 years.

Former Local Man Dies In Plane Crash

Lt. Christian Herron, 27, Dies in Pacific War Zone; Saved Crew

FLEW 12,500 MILES IN MONTH'S COMBAT

Victim Was Son of Former Superintendent at Rockview Prison

Lt. Christian Herron, formerly of Bellefonte, is dead.

The story of his death is graphically told by Harold Guard, United Press correspondent at an Advanced U. S. Air Base in the Pacific.

Lt. Herron, son of the late James Herron, one time superintendent of construction at Rockview penitentiary, was pilot of a bomber which raided Japanese bases a week or so before his death. Correspondent Guard accompanied him on that trip, and his account of the raid appears on page 1 of the second section of this issue.

The U. S. correspondent's story of Lt. Herron's death is reprinted as follows: Advanced U. S. Air Base in Pacific, May 6—(Delayed)—Lieutenant Christian Herron's grave is a morass on a little Pacific island, his shroud the parachute he refused to use.

He was killed while crash-landing his bomber after a mission over Rabaul, New Britain, May 2. His crew lived and, though they couldn't extricate his body, they unfolded his parachute and draped it over the cockpit.

12,500 Miles in Month
Knowing the way he died and why he died, every man at this air base was as saddened as if he had been a brother. He was 27, of Pittsburgh; and flew more than 12,500 miles in combat in less than a month.

He wasn't flying his own ship and the only member of his regular crew aboard was Lieutenant George Barnhill, Charlotte, N. C., bombardier, and Private Fred Mickles, Salem, Ind., gunner.

Barnhill tells the story of Herron's last flight: "We didn't get much results on the mission, but Chris didn't gripe. He simply said, 'We can't expect to hit 'em every time.'"

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Fire Damages Rossman Home

Loss Kept to Minimum; Cause of Salvage Covers; Cause Undetermined

Fire of undetermined origin caused damage to the Hubert Rossman home on East Bishop street about 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night before Logan and Undine firemen got the blaze under control.

The fire was confined to the attic, and a quantity of furniture and clothing stored there was damaged by fire, smoke, and water. Firemen used salvage covers to carry off most of the excess water, but some water seeped through the attic floor and damaged plaster and paper on the second floor.

Ross, Harr Among Democratic Candidates For Governorship



F. CLAIR ROSS

F. Clair Ross, Democratic candidate for Governor, was born at Cardy Lake, Mercer county, January 3, 1895, a son of Clement V. and Maud McElwaine Ross. Members of the Ross family were among those who established the Fairfield Presbyterian church at New Vernon, which forty-one years ago (1899) observed its centennial.

As a lad, Mr. Ross sold newspapers in his home community, and served as a general store clerk at a Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, where he specialized in finance and economics.

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LUTHER HARR

Luther Harr, Democratic candidate for Governor, springs from good old Bucks county stock. He is a direct descendant of John Ernest Harr who came to Bucks County from the Palatinate in 1732, and John George Weiss, a Mennonite who arrived in America in 1738.

Since 1732 there have always been members of the Harr family living in Bucks County or thereabouts.

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School Plans to Leave Academy Defense Saving

Decision Rests on Progress of New Building; Teacher Elected

Decision on whether to vacate the Bellefonte Academy property effective August 1, or whether to continue occupying the premises until the new high school building is more nearly complete will be made at a special meeting of the School Board to be held Friday evening, May 29.

The Department is in all seriousness when it contends that unless defense savings bond and stamp purchases soon rise to the ten per cent of income figure, compulsory regulations will be enacted.

This information was released officially at a meeting last week of the Centre County Defense Savings Staff at the home of Claude G. Aikens, of State College, chairman of the county staff.

At the session it was again stressed that the money spent for bonds and stamps is not a tax—it represents a savings at a substantial rate of interest. The ten per cent figure

Sentence Youths In Burglaries

Pine Grove Mills Trio Plead Guilty to Looting House and Cabin

Pleading guilty to breaking into a house and a cabin, three Pine Grove Mills youths appearing before Judge Ivan Walker at a special session of court, Monday morning, were sentenced on formal charges of burglary.

The youths are Paul Ripka, 18; Ernest Barlo, 19, and Richard Eilenberger, 17.

Blackout of Entire County Listed Friday

14-County Blackout is Scheduled for Next Wednesday Night

WHISTLES, SIRENS WILL BE SIGNALS

Public Asked to Remain Indoors; Traffic to be Halted

Tomorrow night's first blackout of Centre county will be a preliminary for a 14-county area blackout to be held from 10 to 11 p. m. next Wednesday night, May 20, it was announced yesterday by Aaron D. Lettitz, chairman of the local Civilian Defense Staff.

The blackout of Centre county from 10 to 10:30 p. m. tomorrow (Friday) will be the initial test of the county's preparations for possible air-raid. The district blackout for next Wednesday was ordered by Col. Ralph M. Mitchell, of Lewisburg, who is in charge of this defense area.

In the various localities throughout the county the blackout will be heralded by the sounding of pre-arranged signals. In Bellefonte the fire sirens, Universal Match Co. whistle, Titan Metal Company siren and the Penitentiary whistle will be blown to announce the beginning of the blackout at 10 p. m., and again at 10:30 to announce the "all-clear."

The only traffic to be permitted through the county will be trucks carrying defense materials. Motorists must pull to the side of the road, stop, and turn out all lights.

All persons, other than official air-raid wardens and other officials are asked to remain indoors during the blackout, keeping all lights controlled so that no light is visible from outside.

Persons who are slated to go to work at 11 p. m. in industries are asked to report at their place of employment either before 10 p. m. or to leave for work after 10:30 p. m.

During the blackout emergency squads will be on duty. If any emergency arises in the Bellefonte area, citizens are asked to telephone 2448, and the matter will receive prompt and efficient attention, Mr. Lettitz said.

Honor Student



EDWARD A. KACHIK

Kachik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Kachik of Prossertown, was graduated with high honors from Penn State College at commencement exercises, Sunday. Kachik graduated from the Bellefonte High School in 1937 and during his four years at Penn State maintained a scholastic average of 2.4 out of a possible 3. He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, national general scholastic honorary fraternity, is an Evan Pugh scholar, and a member of other honorary and professional societies. Kachik was enrolled in the medical technology curriculum.

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Gas Registration Will End Tonight

Hunter Pays \$27.50 For Shooting Turkey

Another Centre Countyman paid a high price for shooting a wild turkey out of season, Saturday, when he paid a fine of \$25 and costs of \$2.50 to Game Protectors Samuel B. Reed, of Pine Grove Mills, and Thomas Mosler, of Bellefonte.

The defendant was Eugene Long, of Centre Hall, Pa., who, according to game officials shot a wild turkey Friday afternoon. Saturday morning the wardens visited his home with a search warrant and found the turkey. Long is said to have admitted his guilt and paid the fine and costs.

Even then he didn't have a turkey dinner, for the game protectors turned the bird over to the Centre County Hospital.

Will Examine 106 for Army
Two Local Boards to Send Large Contingent For Final Examination

A total of 106 Centre county men will go to Altoona, Saturday of this week, to undergo final examination for induction into the armed forces, according to lists furnished by the two Local Draft Boards.

If accepted for service by Army physicians, the group will go to Ft. Meade, Md., for induction.

In addition to the 46 from Local Board No. 2, Bellefonte, announced last week, there will be the following 59 selectees from Local Board No. 1, of State College:

Lionel F. Gummo, Harrisburg; Francis E. Hyson, Jr., State College; Paul Leonard Losh, State College; Clarence F. Addelman, Ambridge; Melvin H. Mulberger, Bellefonte, R. D. 3; William F. Moyer, Centre Hall; Fred J. Robinson, State College; Melvin Kilmefelter, Bright, Rebersburg.

Also Lester A. Asman, Millheim; Frank W. Dean, Pine Grove Mills.

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Spring Concert At Plaza This Sunday

The spring concert of the Girls' Glee Club and Boys' Chorus of the Bellefonte High School will be held in the Plaza Theatre, Bellefonte, on Sunday afternoon, May 17, beginning at 3 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to the concert and no admission will be charged.

Motorists Through High Schools to Obtain Necessary Cards

RATIONING BEGINS MIDNIGHT, MAY 14

Many Seek Extra Allowance; 836 Registered Here During First Day

Registrations for gasoline rationing proceeded at a steady pace here yesterday as high school teachers, sitting in the county's various high schools issued ration cards to thousands of motorists who have until tonight to obtain their cards.

Rationing of gasoline will go into effect at midnight tonight (Thursday) in all counties of Pennsylvania east of the Allegheny mountains.

State ration director T. Elmer Traneau yesterday said the OPA discarded its ruling that would have made it illegal for ration card holders to buy gasoline in the restricted area anywhere in the restricted area to buy gasoline until they had driven 50 miles into unrationed territory.

The line of demarcation between the rationed and unrationed areas runs along the western edge of Tioga, Lycoming, Clinton, Centre, Blair and Bedford counties, immediately west of Phillipsburg, Altoona and Bedford. With the 50-mile rule eliminated, motorists in the ration area may buy gasoline immediately across the borderline. It brings east-most car operators 50 miles closer to the unlimited fuel sales region.

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Sabbath Schools Plan Convention

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale Chief Speaker at Session Here Next Thursday

The Centre County Sabbath school spring convention in Bellefonte, on Thursday, May 21, promises to be a red letter day in Centre County church circles.

The program committee planning for the convention has provided a most outstanding series of events.

The convention will be held in the Methodist church in Bellefonte, with the Rev. H. C. Stenger, Jr., as host-pastor. The morning session will consist of conferences led by the county leaders, and addresses by the Rev. O. B. Paulson, of the State Men's Christian Temperance League and the Rev. Ira S. Sassaaman, superintendent of the Department of Evangelism of the Pennsylvania Sabbath School Association.

The afternoon session will feature an assembly of high school students with the convention delegates to hear Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, of New York City. Afterwards there will be conferences as follows: Children's division, led by Miss Mary Byrington; young people, led by the Rev. Ira S. Sassaaman, and adult, led by the Rev. Lee J. Gable. After these conferences the Rev. Mr. Gable will address the convention on the subject, "Go Forth."

The evening session will be the climax of the convention with an address by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale.

The program is reported to be one of the finest of its type held in Centre County in years. All persons, regardless of faith or creed, are invited to attend the convention.

Centre County Car Hit at Lock Haven

A truck belonging to A. J. Eck & Sons of Montoursville, driven by Albert Verg of Williamsport, and a sedan operated by Grace Reed of Mingo, Pa. were accompanied by the driver, Ruth Wells of Bellefonte, Sunday, at the intersection of Bellefonte street and North Fairview street in Lock Haven, Monday afternoon, police report.

Both vehicles were traveling east on Bellefonte avenue, and the accident occurred when the sedan attempted to turn left onto Fairview street in front of the truck. The right hand front corner of the truck body brushed the left side of the sedan and struck the left rear corner, shoving it in and breaking the glass.

The truck driver, who thought the other vehicle was going to continue east on the avenue, but instead turned left in front of him, quickly swung his unladen vehicle to the left also, avoiding further damage. There was no damage to the truck.

J. HARRY WILLIAMS DIES
J. Harry Williams, of Valentine street, well known Bellefonte painter and paperhanger, died at 8:30 last night. Surviving are his wife; a sister, Mrs. A. L. McGinley, of Bellefonte; brother, Willis, of State College; and a half-sister, Rilla, of Philadelphia. Funeral arrangements had not been completed last night.