

Mammoth Cave-In At Coleville Mine

100,000 Tons of Earth in Middle of Wheat Field Sink to Max. Hole 300 Feet Long, 300 Feet Wide, 100 Feet Deep. None Injured; No Property Damage

In the first limestone mine cave-in ever reported in the Bellefonte area, a 300 by 300-foot center section of a wheatfield just north of Coleville early yesterday morning dropped approximately 100 feet into an abandoned stope of the Warner Company's Bell Mine. Officials estimated that over 100,000 tons of earth and stone were involved in the sinking.

The portion of the mine which caved in has not been worked for more than 12 years, officials said. There was no loss of life and no property damage, except to the field, which is owned by the Warner Company and leased to Luther Smith as farmland. Joseph Rine, Warner Company employ who lives in Coleville not far from the scene of the cave-in, told officials that about 5 o'clock yesterday morning he was awakened by a loud rumbling noise and that he felt the house trembling as though being shaken by an earthquake. At the same time, he said, he noticed a gigantic cloud of dust rise from the spot where the mammoth hole later was discovered.

A. T. Irvin, who resides on the Humes farm west of the cave-in, said that late yesterday morning several boys who had been working in the field discovered the hole and ran home to tell him about it.

Warner Company officials knew nothing of the cave-in until late in the morning when reports from Mr. Irvin and from workers on the Luther Smith farm informed them. Wheat on the section which dropped down into the earth had been hauled off by Mr. Smith's hands early this week. At that time there was no sign of the impending cave.

There were no workmen in the mine at 5 p. m. when the main fall is said to have taken place. The morning shift went on duty at 7 a. m. and despite the fact that a second large fall happened about 10 a. m., men in the mine knew nothing.

'RUDY' WETSTEIN OUT FOR SHERIFF

Sturdy Union Township Truck Driver Seeks Office for First Time



Rudolph "Rudy" Wettstein

Rudolph "Rudy" Wettstein, 41, of Julian, R. D., who this week announced himself a candidate for Sheriff of Centre County, has no hands, but he's not asking the voters of the County to elect a physical misfit into that important peace office.

For although he is living under a tremendous physical handicap, he has learned to use the parts of his arms spared for him in a railroad accident in 1918, to such an extent that he leads an entirely normal active life.

For some years he has earned a living for his wife and four daughters by general trucking. He was one of the truckers employed to haul earth away from the Bellefonte High School excavation two years ago and since then has spent most of his time trucking coal to Bellefonte and other Centre County towns.

But Rudy's truck is getting old and he fears that soon he will be without a means of livelihood. Hence he has become a candidate for Sheriff, under the banner of the Democratic party.

The idea still exists in the minds of many voters that a Sheriff should be a big two-fisted man able to hold his own.

Staff Sgt. Clarence Bell, 21, of Tyrone, a brother of Lynn Bell of State College, and 2nd Lt. Leonard A. De Paul of Utica, N. Y., were killed last Thursday near Canton, Ill., when the car in which they were riding crashed into the rear of a transport truck stalled on a highway. Both soldiers were stationed at Camp Ellis, Ill.

Sgt. Bell was inducted into the Army on October 3, 1942, and served at Camp Lee, Va., before being sent to Camp Ellis. He attended Tyrone schools and was employed as a brakeman by the Pennsylvania Railroad before entering the service. He was the son of the late George and Mrs. Bell of Eden Hill, near Tyrone. Funeral services were held Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Henning, of State College, this week gave to the Centre County Hospital an electrically operated breast pump.

Hospital authorities take this means of expressing their thanks for the gift.

Receives Transfer Cpl. Byron B. Turner, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Turner of East Hamilton avenue, State College, has been transferred from Tomah, Wis., to the 21st Fighting Control Squadron, Bradley Field, Conn.

Training In WAVES



Mary Elizabeth Casebeer

Miss Casebeer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Casebeer, of West High street, Bellefonte, enlisted in the WAVES on July 2, and Wednesday of last week departed for the Naval Training School, Women's Reserve, at Hunter College, N. Y.

Miss Casebeer attended the Bellefonte High School and for two years before entering Fairfax Hall, Va., where she completed her scholastic studies. Upon graduation from that institution she attended an art school in Washington.

Wingate Youth Is Kis-Lyn Fugitive

Russell Spicer, 16, of Wingate, escaped from the state institution at Kis-Lyn, Luzerne county, for the second time early Monday morning. State Police at Rockview sub-station were informed. The youth first escaped from the institution shortly before Christmas of last year and was apprehended in less than a week.

Charged with burglary in connection with breaking into several service stations, the youth eluded arrest for a number of weeks before he was finally captured at his home in Wingate. On one occasion he swam across the McCoy dam near Milesburg to avoid capture.

Released from Jail Wilson Rossmann, 19, of Snydertown, charged with larceny, was released from the Clinton county jail Monday when he furnished bail of \$500. His 19-year-old companion, Carl Sawadoff, also of Snydertown, charged with the same offense, is still in jail. On Saturday Schreffler's 15-year-old brother, also involved in the same case and held for juvenile court, was released from the jail in the custody of his father. The two 19-year-olds are awaiting sentence of the court.

LINDEN HALL PAIR WEDDED 50 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. William Houser, of Linden Hall, Friday celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a family reunion and dinner at their home.

Mr. Houser, son of John and Catherine Houser, of Pleasant Gap, and Margaret Lillie Houtz, daughter of Henry and Rebecca Kline Houtz, of Linden Hall, were married at the bride's home at 12 noon, July 16, 1893. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Trostle, Lutheran pastor of Boalsburg.

The attendants on the young couple were Floy Brown of Boalsburg, and Elmer Houtz, brother of the bride. Miss Brown and Mr. Houtz were married a month later and now live in Harrisburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Houser went to farming on Mr. Houser's father's farm on Nittany Mountain, on lands now owned by Rockview Penitentiary. Later they moved to a farm east of Centre Hall and some years ago they bought the James Ross farm at Linden Hall, where they have resided ever since.

The elderly couple has two children: Mrs. Floy Walker, of Bellefonte, and Ralph, who is living with his parents on the farm. There are four grandchildren; Mrs. Frances (Continued on Page Four)

OAK HALL FARMER BUYS REGISTERED JERSEY COW

A registered Jersey cow has been purchased by Ross D. Lowder, of Oak Hall Station, from the Pennsylvania State College. The name of the animal is Penstate Dreaming Lass 117740.

The whereabouts of all registered Jerseys is known and carefully watched over by the American Jersey Cattle Club, with offices in New York City. This important job is made possible through registrations and transfers made by Jersey Breeders everywhere. Tattoo identification, somewhat similar to fingerprinting, keeps individuals of this dairy breed always known.

Jerseys make up 42 per cent of all dairy cows in the United States, and are produced in the world's richest milk, and because there are more Jerseys than any other breed in America, their role in National Defense is an important one. Increased production of Jersey milk guarantees the protective food needs of here and abroad.

\$600 Damage in Fire At Max Herr Yards

Damage estimated at approximately \$600 resulted about 2:15 on Wednesday morning when fire destroyed a shed on West Lamb street owned by Max Herr, Centre Hall junk dealer.

Both fire companies answered a general alarm. Part of the loss was in machinery which was stored in the building. The structure was located to the rear of the Thomas Coal Yard property.

Pilot Escapes Crash Following a near crash of a Cub plane near Clintondale, last Friday, Carl F. Styne of Lock Haven, was grounded for four months for improper flying. Styne, a member of the Cub fliers, was disciplined after a plane in which he was flying alone struck power lines near the home of Mrs. John Dorman and left a small piece of its fabric in her garden.

Council Passes Curfew Ordinance

Law Is Designed to Curb Juvenile Delinquency; Passenger Train Service Here May Be Further Curtailed

Bellefonte will have a curfew, effective about August 1. The curfew, for those of you who weren't around in the gay 90's when curfews were as popular as miniature golf was back in the pre-war days, is designed to keep children of tender years off the streets late at night.

More specifically, children under 16 years of age will be barred from the out-of-doors after 10 p. m. from October 1 to April 1 and after 11 p. m. from April 1 to October 1, unless accompanied by parents, guardians, or some other older person in authority, or unless bearing a special permit to be out.

The text of the law, enacted by Bellefonte Borough Council at a regular meeting, Monday night, explains that its reasons for being is to curb juvenile delinquency, which is said to be on the increase as the result of youngsters prowling about at night.

The law specifically bars children under 16 from loitering in bus or train stations or similar public places after 8 p. m. unless accompanied by parent, guardian, or other person in authority.

For an first violation of the curfew law a child will be taken into custody by police and delivered to the parents. A report will be made to the Burgess, who is supposed to record the violation in a book. For a second offense the parents will be fined from \$1 to \$5 and costs, or will be required to serve up to five days in the lock-up. If the child continues to violate the curfew "three or four times" he will be taken before the County Juvenile Officer.

The law looks forward to the possibility that police may guess wrong at a child's age when the curfew is in effect, and the ordinance provides that the officer's guess as to any child's age will hold until the child proves otherwise.

The new regulation does not provide for an audible signal to be sounded when the curfew hour arrives, thus depriving the youth of 1943 of the spine-tingling thrill of grandparents are said to have experienced in their youth when the curfew sounded.

The exact date when the curfew law will become effective hasn't been determined at this time, but it is believed that by the middle of August the town's youngsters will be on curfew schedule.

Council, facing opposition to a recent ruling closing all rating places from 2 a. m. to 5 a. m., instructed the borough solicitor to prepare an ordinance to collect the situation.

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4 LOCAL OPTION VOTES SCHEDULED

2 Boroughs, 2 Townships to Conduct Referendums at Primaries

Two Centre county boroughs and two townships are to hold local option referendums at the Primary election on September 14, it became known Friday when the time for filing petitions for referendums expired.

Milesburg borough is to vote on both liquor and beer. Port Matilda borough will vote on liquor. Beer is now prohibited in that borough because of a previous referendum.

Boggs township will vote on both liquor and beer, and Howard township will also vote on both liquor and beer.

In the districts where both liquor and beer are to be voted upon, there will be one ballot for beer and a separate one for liquor. A district may vote to permit the sale of both—or ban the sale of both.

Whatever action is taken by the voters in the various districts where referendums are to be held during the Primaries, will be in force for at least four years, for local option votes may be taken only every four years.

Special Registration Days To Be Held Throughout Centre County

In preparation for the coming fall elections, special registration days will be held in six county areas by the County Commissioners sitting as the Registration Commission.

The special registration, which will begin July 26 and continue until August 2, will enable citizens throughout the county who are not properly registered to do so in time to become eligible to vote at the Primaries in September. The service enables voters to register without the necessity of traveling to Bellefonte, an important factor because of fuel rationing.

The names of nearly 4,000 voters recently were stricken from the lists because they failed to vote during the past two years. The special registration will enable such voters to regain their franchise.

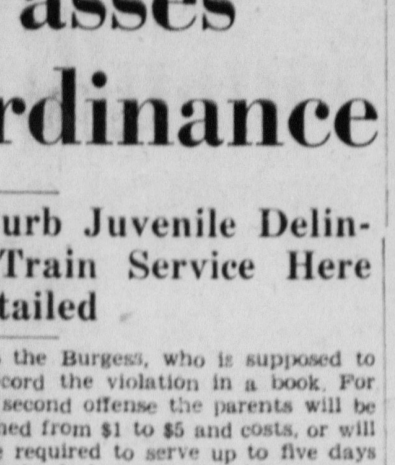
Other registration matters to be taken care of at the special registration places will include changes in party affiliation, changes of address—whether from one place to another in the same precinct, from one precinct to another, or from one Pennsylvania county to another county, the Commissioners said, and the registration of voters who have reached voting age, or other persons who are registering for the first time.

The deadline for registration in time to vote at the Primary election is August 14. Clerks from the Commissioners' office will receive personal applications for registration in the various communities from 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. and from 7 p. m. to 10 p. m. on the dates specified. The hours are set by law and are designed to give everyone an opportunity to find time to visit the registration places.

July 26, Howard, fire hall; July 27, Millheim, Municipal building; July 28, Philipsburg, public building; July 29, State College, Alpha Fire Company building; July 30, Snow Shoe, high school gymnasium. August 2, Centre Hall Hotel, 7 to 10 p. m.

The election board requests that persons visit the registration places throughout the day when convenient rather than waiting until closing time.

Dies In Jap Camp



Cpl. Ernest Paul Ebeling

World War II's sixteenth reported casualty in Centre county is Cpl. Ernest Paul Ebeling, 25, son of Mrs. Nora Ebeling, of West High street, Bellefonte, who died while a Japanese prisoner of war on the Philippine Islands, according to a message received Saturday by Mrs. Ebeling from the International Red Cross headquarters at Washington, D. C.

The message read as follows: "Report received from the Japanese government through the International Red Cross that your son, Corporal Ernest P. Ebeling, who was previously reported a prisoner of war, died in the Philippine Islands. The Secretary of War extends his sympathy. Letter follows."

Ebeling, for nearly two years employed by the Titan Metal Company here, enlisted in the Army in May, 1941, and after spending a month at Ft. Slocum, N. Y., was sent to the Philippines. He was bombed out of Clark Field, Hawaii, about three weeks after Pearl Harbor, and served under General MacArthur at Batavia. He is believed to have been on Corregidor when that island fortress was taken by the Japs.

In the last letter from him, written December 29, 1941 and received here the following April, he said he was well and told his family not to worry about him.

On December 29, 1941, the family received a brief Christmas cablegram from him.

No further word was heard of him until April 17, 1943, when his mother was informed by the International Red Cross that he was a prisoner of war in the Philippines. Mrs. Ebeling was given instructions for writing to him, and in following weeks she mailed about seven letters and some packages.

While none of the letters or packages mailed to him as a prisoner of war were returned, it is believed that he did not receive any of them.

All letters and packages mailed to Ebeling from November 10, 1941, until he was reported to be a prisoner of war, were returned unopened to the senders, members of the family (Continued on page 2)

HEIFER HIT RUN CRASH VICTIM

Motorist Drags Badly Injured Animal Off Road, Drives On

A hit-run motorist, possibly someone from the Bellefonte area on a pleasure drive, struck a two-year-old heifer sometime last Wednesday morning, dragged the badly injured heifer into a nearby field, and drove off.

The injured animal was discovered about noon by its owner, Roy Zimmerman, who resides on a farm near the Bellefonte Airport. Both its hind legs were broken and one knee cap was crushed, necessitating its destruction. The animal was valued at about \$50.

Mr. Zimmerman said from indications at the scene the motorist who struck the animal apparently dragged it under a nearby fence, for in its injured condition the animal couldn't move itself. It is believed the heifer wandered from a nearby pasture field onto the road, and was struck from behind.

The owner said that the road past his home, known locally as the "low-er" airport road, has been traveled quite heavily since the ban on pleasure driving went into effect. In normal times, he said, only the two or three families residing in that immediate vicinity, use the road.

LOGAN CARNIVAL SETS NEW RECORD

Receipts For Two Days Exceed Usual Three-Day Total, Officials Report

All Logan carnival records for many years were shattered during the weekend when members of the fire company took in more in two days than they normally do during a three-day carnival.

Ten per cent of the net proceeds are to be given to the Red Cross. Officials yesterday said that a final report cannot be released at this time since there are still some outstanding obligations. Exceptional crowds were present on the carnival grounds on East-Howard street both nights and attendants at various games and booths were busy almost constantly.

Mary Jedd, of North Allegheny street, Bellefonte, was winner of the ground prize, Friday night, while Saturday's winners were John Shope, Bishop street; Etta McClellan, Howard street; and Caroline Anderson, Bishop street.

A \$50 war bond was given to Mildred Yorks, of Milesburg, while a \$25 bond went to Marjorie Hall, also of Milesburg.

Arthur Boob was chairman of the carnival committee.

Commissioners at State Convention

Centre County Commissioners Charles F. Hipple and Harry V. Keeler, both of Bellefonte, and Fred C. Mensch, of Millheim, and their chief clerk, Frederic G. Hoffer, of Philipsburg, are expected to return to their respective homes today from Pittsburgh, where since Sunday they have been attending the sessions of the annual State Commissioners' Convention.

The Commissioners and Mr. Hoffer were accompanied on the trip by their wives.

121 From Board 2 Accepted For Duty



James Frederick Sharkey, Snow Shoe

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24 BOARD 1 MEN PASS EXAMINATION

19 Accepted For Army, 4 For Navy, 1 For Air Corps

Nineteen men were accepted for the Army, four for the Navy, and one for the Air Corps, Monday, at the induction center at Altoona as State College Draft Board No. 1 placed 24 men in the armed forces.

Another selectee, Donald Weaver, of Centre Hall, was transferred to the State College group from another draft board area, and is assigned to the Navy.

The 19 men chosen for Army service will leave State College August 2 for the reception center at New Cumberland. Members of this group are:

Conrad Link, State College; Kenneth Hood, State College; James F. Kessinger, State College; George Homan, State College; Charles Dress, Woodward; Nevin Mullinger, Pleasant Gap; Samuel Smith, Bellefonte, RD 2; Henry Showers, Pleasant Gap; Richard Berktresser, Hoberburg; Clarence Walker, Bellefonte, RD 2; Benjamin Bartsch, Madisonburg; Robert E. Kline, Bellefonte; Irvin E. Alexander, State College; Philbert Stover, State College; Frank Alterio, Pleasant Gap; Charles Kunes, State College; Norman Wolfe, Smarton; Sheldon Shuey, Pleasant Gap; Jack Baney, Pleasant Gap.

Those accepted for Navy service and who will report for duty July 25, are:

Donald Laughner, Spring Mills; Clair Packer, Bellefonte; George Michael, Centre Hall; Doyle Wingard, Coburn.

The Air Corps selectee is Alva L. Duck, Madisonburg.

MILESBURG CHILD IS BADLY BITTEN BY DOG

Robert Wolf, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolf, of Milesburg, suffered serious lacerations of the face near the right eye when he was bitten by a dog last Tuesday night while playing near his home.

The child was taken to the Centre County Hospital where tetanus anti-toxin was administered. The dog is owned by a neighbor, George Peters of Philipsburg, Centre county dog law enforcement officer, has been notified.

Announce Local Top Prices for Chicken

Local Ration Board No. 2, of Bellefonte yesterday announced ceiling prices on poultry in this area for sales between farmer to the ultimate consumer.

Live-weight: For broilers and fryers under 4 pounds, 36c. For roasters, 4 pounds and over, 36c lb.

Dressed Weight: For broilers and fryers under 3 1/2 pounds, 44c lb. For roasters 3 1/2 pounds and over, 44c lb.

Drawn, Quick Frozen or Eviscerated: For broilers and fryers under 2 1/2 pounds, 58c lb. For roasters, 2 1/2 pounds and over, 56c lb.

Cut-up parts of chicken cannot be sold at prices which in the aggregate would exceed the maximum price for the whole bird of a given classification.

Navy Planning For 6 More Years War With Japan

Vice-Admiral Frederick J. Horne revealed yesterday that the Navy is planning for a war against Japan to last at least until 1949.

The Vice Chief of Naval Operations, appearing at a time required by Washington press conference at which Secretary Knox strongly deplored current optimism over winning of the war in a hurry, declared we still have "tremendous distances to go in the Pacific and we have to build bases from the ground up as we advance."

Questions about the time required to win victory in Europe, Horne said that his opinion was "entirely a guess" and he gave no date.

He declared however that there is a "good deal of wishful thinking in expectation of a collapse of Germany."

Buy Defense Bonds now!

Read the Classified ads.

Undergoes Training Pvt. Robert W. Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Bailey of Boalsburg, is now stationed at the Kearns, Utah, Army Air Forces Basic Training Center. Pvt. Bailey, who entered the Air Force last March 15, will be trained to defend himself under the conditions of a march, to use small arms and machine guns, gas masks, and other equipment before going on to further training as a ground crew member.

Woman Has Narrow Escape A futile attempt to board a moving passenger train at the Park Station, Williamsport, Saturday, nearly ended a Bradford woman serious injury when she lost her footing and fell. Mrs. Betty Perry, a passenger who got off the train during the stop in the city and was late in getting back to her car, missed a step as she attempted to jump on and was dragged about 75 feet before she freed herself. She was treated at the hospital for brush burns of the body.

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