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Young Deer Hunter Is Accidentally Shot and Killed in Blair County

Youth Instantly Killed by Bullet Through the Head, When Rifle of Hunting Companion Accidentally Discharges

Lester T. Clabaugh, a 17-year-old youth of Williamsburg, R. D. 1, was instantly killed while hunting with friends in the woods nine miles southwest of Williamsburg, last Wednesday at 4 p. m. when a shell from a 32-calibre Winchester rifle was accidentally discharged as a hunting companion was closing the breech of his gun after removing snow from the end of the barrel.

Special Service at Madisonburg

Christ Reformed Church To Observe Religious Event

A special Christmas service will be held in Christ Reformed church, Madisonburg, on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, at 9:30 a. m. The order of service for the day is as follows:

Professional Hymn, "Holy, Holy, Holy." The Solemn Declaration. The Introit for Christmas Day. The Assurance of Pardon. The Versicle: Minister: Praise Up the Lord. Congregation: The Lord's Name be praised. Gloria in Excelsis. The Epistle for the day: Hebrews 1: 1-12. The Hallelujah. The Gospel for the day: St. Luke's 2: 1-14. Gloria Patri. The Apostles' Creed. The Versicle: The Lord be with you. Congregation: Amen with thy spirit. Minister: Let us pray. The General Prayer. Anthem by the choir of Christ Church. Announcements. Offerings. Response. The Congregational Hymn. Sermon by the pastor, "Christmas 1944." Prayer. Doxology. Benediction. All are cordially invited to attend this service.

Cars Collide In Snow, 3 Injured

Three persons were slightly injured and damage was estimated at \$250 about 8 p. m. last Wednesday when cars operated by Thomas G. Irvin, 38, of Bellefonte, R. D. 3, and John H. Daye, 27, of Lemont, crashed about a mile west of Pleasant Gap on the road leading to Rockview.

Pleasant Gap Man Injured In Fall

Harold Sunday, of Pleasant Gap, suffered injuries to the head, neck and shoulders about 6 o'clock Friday morning when he fell down several steps at his home.

Christmas Party At Pleasant Gap

Between 400 and 500 children of the Pleasant Gap area are expected to attend a Christmas party to be held at 6:30 o'clock Saturday night in the Pleasant Gap Grange Hall.

Covey Named Head of Medical Society

Dr. John K. Covey of Bellefonte and State College, was elected president of the Centre County Medical Society at a regular meeting of the organization at the Centre County Hospital last Thursday evening.

Innocent Passenger Prayed

Police in 21 squad cars, guided by two-way radio in a 70-mile-an-hour chase over Chicago streets, captured the driver of a stolen taxi cab after pouring 50 bullets into the carning vehicle. An innocent passenger, forced to accompany the man after the cab operator was ousted, crouched on the floor of the cab and prayed until he was rescued.

Cops Quiet Hunters

The Harrisburg, Ill. police force was called to maintain order when a hardware store put 350 boxes of shotgun shells, 15 shells to the box, on sale recently. Approximately 500 would-be purchasers lined the sidewalk in front of the store and when they couldn't buy the size they wanted, they took another size, with the idea of swapping with somebody who needed that size or borrowing a neighbor's shotgun to fit the shells.

Alot Bonds to County

A. C. Confer, of Spring Mills, and E. S. Bennett, of Runville, Centre county representative of the West Virginia Pulp and Paper Company, report that the company has allotted \$5,000 of its War Bond purchases to Centre county, in the 6th War Loan campaign.

Holy Night



Stork Beats Pair In Hospital Race

Tyrone Family Increased Before Arrival at Institution

The stork hovered over the car of Capt. and Mrs. Eccleston of the Salvation Army in Tyrone last Thursday as the captain and his wife drove toward Altoona hospital, finally sweeping down to deliver a nice big baby boy before the doctors or nurses could be notified of the arrival of Mrs. Ruth Eccleston at the hospital door.

Free To Sell All Chickens Desired

Pennsylvania farmers and poultrymen have been assured by War Food administration officials that they are entirely free to sell as many chickens as they desire.

Monoxide Fumes Fatal to Driver

West Decatur Man Overcome While Trying to Start Automobile

Charles Peters, aged 57 years, of West Decatur, died Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the effects of monoxide gas. His death was accidental.

Mother's Club Holds Christmas Party

A regular meeting and Christmas party of the Bellefonte Mothers' Club was held at the home of Mrs. G. A. Robinson on East Curtin street last Thursday evening.

Super Fortress a Wonder

The B-28 Super-Fortress is quite an engineering and construction problem. Each has 35,000 numbered parts, disregarding rivets and small parts. The remote control system of aiming and firing its guns has the aid of computing sights and gunners, protected by armor, operate in normal atmospheric pressure in special cabins. There are electrical devices to compensate for gravity, windage, parallax and leads; they move the guns against the slipstreams, stop firing if their muzzles cross the line of the plane's structure and elevate automatically if the line of fire bears on a turret with a gunner.

It's Win or Lose

Defeated for re-election to the city council, Robert O. Wells, of North Adams, Mass., inserted this notice in a newspaper: "I wish to thank all those who voted for me and my wife wishes to thank all those who didn't."

TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION!

For true stories of romance, mystery and adventure, enjoy 'The Spark' features to be found regularly in The American Weekly, the magazine distributed regularly with the Baltimore Sunday American. Order from your newsdealer.

Whiskey 37 1/2c a Gallon, Cigars Five For a Nickel—Back in the 'Good Old Days'

How Bellefonters Really Enjoyed Cheap Luxuries Eighty Years Ago, Is Revealed By Old Newspaper

Dropping in at your favorite liquor store and buying a gallon of whiskey for 37 1/2c reads like a dream of Utopia, doesn't it? Or perhaps you'll call it a pipe dream. And if you wanted a few cigars, think of laying down a nickel and being handed out five of your favorite brand. Incredible as it sounds, it's a never-the-less fact that had you been around Bellefonte some eighty years ago you'd have paid no more for your liquor and smokes. That is, of course, if you were inclined to hobnob with old John Barleycorn and found pleasure in the wiles of Lady Nicotine. All of which we learned by turning time back quite a lot of pages—in fact, as far back as Civil War days.

Woman Stranded By Heavy Storm

Found Unconscious After Abandoning Car Stalled in Snow Drift

After being lost all night in the snow covered mountains in Cameron county, Mary Freer, of Bradford, was found unconscious last Wednesday by a rescue party from Emporium. The exhausted woman had both feet badly frozen, according to reports.

Two Killed Under Wheels of Engine

Altoona Railroad Officials Meet Instant Death on Friday

Walter E. Lyberger, 45, assistant track supervisor, PRR Middle Division, and Francis E. Sherry, 56, inspector in telegraph and signal department, both of Altoona, met instant death Friday morning at 6:25 o'clock when they were struck by a light engine just west of the Seventh street bridge.

RECENT WEDDINGS

Burger-Haynes. Miss Virginia Haynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Haynes of Snow Shoe, and David Burger of Lewistown Pike, beyond Blanchard street, Bellefonte, Ohio, married in the Methodist church, Bellefonte, at 4 p. m. Friday, with Rev. Harry C. Stenger, Jr., pastor, officiating. They were unattended. The bride is a graduate of the Snow Shoe High School in the class of 1941, and has been employed in the offices of Plant 2 of the Titan Metal Company. Mr. Burger is employed in the offices of Plant 1 of the same company. They are at housekeeping at the furnished home of the bridegroom.

Blanchard-Payne

A very pretty wedding was solemnized Sunday, December 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Blanchard at Albion, Mich., when Cpl. Virginia E. Payne, USMC, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Payne, of Dayton, Ohio, married in the Methodist church, Bellefonte, at 4 p. m. Friday, with Rev. Harry C. Stenger, Jr., pastor, officiating. They were unattended. The bride is a graduate of the Snow Shoe High School in the class of 1941, and has been employed in the offices of Plant 2 of the Titan Metal Company. Mr. Payne is employed in the offices of Plant 1 of the same company. They are at housekeeping at the furnished home of the bridegroom.

Christmas Program At Pleasant Gap

The program for "The Child of Bethlehem," the Christmas story told in music, to be given by the choir at the Pleasant Gap Lutheran church at 7:45 p. m. Christmas Eve under the direction of Helen G. Yarnell, follows:

The Christmas Song — A. Adam
Processional — R. M. Stults
The Holy Child — R. M. Stults
Offering — Rev. D. G. Raup
Prayer — Rev. D. G. Raup
THE CHILD OF BETHLEHEM
Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices.
How Beautiful on The Mountains;
Break Thru Into Joy.
His Name Shall Be Called Emmanuel; The Spirit of the Lord.
Star of the East
And There Were Shepherds.
And Suddenly There Was With the Angel; Glory to God in the Highest.
Cradle Song.
Let Us Now Go Even Unto Bethlehem.
Calm on the Listening Ear of Night.
Arise, Shine; Come and Adore Him.
Benediction — Rev. D. G. Raup
(Remain standing during recessional)
The public is invited.

Blaney is Honored

R. C. Blaney, of East Curtin street, Bellefonte, Centre county agricultural extension representative, early this month was named a regional director of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents. Mr. Blaney's territory is the northeastern section.

Workman Human Torch

Turned suddenly into a human torch 150 feet high on a smokestack, Theodore Patrick, 54, of Philadelphia, died of burns in a hospital. Patrick was burning paint from the stack when a high wind whipped the blaze from his blow-torch against his clothing.

Patrollic Corn

Austin Hurford of Ellizabethtown, Ill., grew some patrollic corn this year. He picked three ears, each of which had red, white and blue kernels.

LETTER TO SANTA:

If you want to do some real good here, next Monday, you might try to find a place for Jerry Houser to live, some clothing to wear and some woodworking tools to work with. He lost everything in a fire, Sunday. He's 69 years old and is mightily discouraged by his loss. He is a woodcarver and woodworker by trade.

NICE WORK:

The tableaux at the Bellefonte High School Christmas program on Sunday afternoon had us guessing for a time. From our seat in the balcony we first thought the scene was a colored motion picture projected from the booth at the rear of the auditorium. Then we guessed it was a picture of a picture was so effective it took us a long time to realize the scenes were real. An arrangement of characters, lights and scenery, seen through a screen of light cheesecloth produced the unusual effect.

TOO EARLY:

Ted Kemmerer, State College High School coach, came to Bellefonte last Thursday night to serve as an official at a Bellefonte High School basketball game. He went to the gym, found it locked and dark. He wandered around trying to solve the problem until he met a friend. The same, he learned, was not until this week.

GOOD FOOD:

We're pleased to report that the Bellefonte High School cafeteria is serving food excellently prepared, piping hot, and with plenty of variety. This report comes from the better half of this department's family, who visited the cafeteria Friday while attending Christmas exercises at the school. Three persons had a substantial luncheon at a total cost of only 84 cents.

MEANEST MAN:

This corner's nomination for the meanest man (or woman) of 1944 goes to the person who during the weekend took the Christmas tree to the pupils of Miss Ethel Crider's first grade at the Dale building had erected along the sidewalk beside the school. The tree was planned as a tree for the birds, and each day the youngsters piled its limbs with bread crusts and apples.

Avery Named Head of Milesburg Firemen

Friend Avery was elected president of the Milesburg Fire Company at the annual organizational meeting held recently. Mr. Avery succeeds James Smith who was called to the Army in August.

Other officers elected for the coming year were: treasurer, John Keener, Jr.; financial secretary, Allen Weaver; and recording secretary, P. L. Holt. David Wagner, Charles Shaeffer and Allen Weaver were elected to the board of trustees.

P. L. Holt was named chief while Melvin Dunlap, Dean Wetzel, and John Whiteman were designated as first, second and third chiefs, respectively.

Boy, 9, Buried In Snow for 19 Hours

Nine-year-old James Lawrence Meehan, Jr. is resting comfortably in Comellville hospital, recovering from exposure after being buried for 19 hours in a snowdrift.

State Police and neighbors found the boy unconscious Wednesday afternoon. Taken to the hospital, he regained consciousness and recognized his father. Hospital attendants said the boy was not dangerously frostbitten and expressed the belief the snow blanket saved his life.

Here's a Message From Santa



I've got a mighty big job to do this year and I'm asking all you folks to lend a hand. You'll be helping Santa if you plan now to send that most useful of all gifts... a subscription to THE CENTRE DEMOCRAT... something that will not only be appreciated every week of the year, but carry with it a constant reminder of the giver.

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