

Jesse ADLER Looks at the NEWS

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Random Items

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Body Of Retired Lock Haven School Teacher Found Floating In River

66-Year-Old Retired Head of Commercial Department Lock Haven High School Had Been in Ill Health

Lock Haven High School had been missing from her East Main street home since Friday morning. Her body was found at 3:30 Sunday afternoon by Jack Mader, Blair Ear-

Warriors Mark Soldier Killed Pfc. Floyd E. Williams Makes Supreme Sacrifice in Germany

Pfc. Floyd E. Williams, 26, was reported killed in action in Germany February 24, in a War Department telegram received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Williams, Warriors Mark.

Tyrone Brakeman Killed By Engine Fatality East of Grazierville, Discovered By Engineer

Robert Dean Keith, 30, of Tyrone, was killed instantly Friday morning on a track which adjoined the track of which his train was traveling.

Railroad Workman Treated For Injury Larry McCloskey, 26, of near Yarnell, suffered a laceration at the back of his neck last Wednesday when he was struck by a piece of steel while at work as a P. R. R. trackman at Milesburg.

Plan Roundup of All Milkweed Pods The office of the county superintendent of schools has been informed by a number of people that certain schools and individuals still have milkweed pods gathered last fall.

Gift to Homemakers From Pillsbury Mills A money-saving coupon worth 15 cents toward the purchase of a 25-pound bag of Pillsbury's Best Enriched Flour is offered in this issue of The Centre Democrat.

Officer Acquitted In Mercy Slaying Of Trapped Flier An officer at a forward American air base who fired two mercy bullets into the head of a flier hopelessly trapped in a wrecked and burning plane has been acquitted of voluntary manslaughter.

Escapes Injury When Car Is Demolished No one was injured when a car operated by Earl "Bucky" Jodon, 41, of Milesburg, was demolished in an accident just east of Milesburg.

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"When the woman began to cry," he continued, "I told her to get in and she suddenly shot me. Then she jumped from the truck and ran," he concluded.

Police were notified and Mrs. Christine (Gardner) Smith was taken into custody. She is said to have admitted shooting Weller.

The investigation revealed that Weller and Mrs. Smith had been keeping company for 16 years after an argument between the two last Sunday. Mrs. Smith threatened to kill herself, whereupon Weller took the revolver from her.

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MOTHER SPEAKS: "I think you have been very unfair in your recent items concerning 'children sitters'..."

LOWEST NUMBER: We've found the holder of the lowest automobile operator's license plate number in Centre county. He is George Harris Wood, of 217 Laura street, Chester Hill, Phillipsburg.

QUESTION: It was Shakespeare, wasn't it, who wrote "Beware the Ides of March?" Does anyone know offhand what you're supposed to be beware of?

BEST SPEECHES: In the public speaking course being held in Bellefonte, each member is required to speak at every weekly meeting. There have been about eight meetings so far, and here's this corner's list of what we believe to be the best speech made by each member of the class to date.

RUMOR: The rumor mills were working at full tilt in Centre county during the weekend. One which had the county area was word "straight from New York" that a very important radio announcement would be made at midnight, Saturday. Many a person hid home early to have the radio working for an important message that never came.

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