

Tioga County sheriff takes office

By **GEORGE OSGOOD**
Star-Gazette
Wellsboro Bureau
gosgood@epix.net

WELLSBORO — A deputy and former correction officer was sworn in Monday morning as Tioga County sheriff.

John L. Perry, 51, of Delmar Township, took the oath of office from President Judge Robert E. Dalton Jr. in a brief ceremony in Tioga County Court.

Dalton also swore in Edward McCabe of Richmond Township as a deputy sheriff.

Perry replaces Lamar Green, who retired Friday after serving 10 years as sheriff. Perry will serve the remainder of Green's term, which expires Dec. 31, 2001. Tioga County voters will elect a sheriff to a four-year term in November, 2001.

Perry, a Republican, graduated from Wellsboro High School in 1967 and served in the U.S. Army from 1969 to

1971, including a combat tour in Vietnam. He

worked as a machine operator at Dresser Industries in Delmar Township from 1971 until 1982, when he joined the

Tioga County Sheriff's Department as a correction officer at the County Prison.

Perry became a shift supervisor there before replacing the late Richard L. Tomlinson as deputy in the Sheriff's Department in January 1996.

McCabe, 54, replaces Perry in the deputy position. A native of Shickshinny, Luzerne County, McCabe served as a state trooper at the Mansfield Barracks from 1969 to '92 and was in charge of the motor carrier safety there. He is a Richmond Township constable.

Both men began their jobs Monday.



PERRY