

Prohibition administrator Wynne is having a hard time with bootleggers and politicians.

The Prince of Wales won a golf match, the other day. You can't fall off of anything while playing golf.

President Hoover is willing to do anything for prohibition except appoint prohibition federal district attorneys.

Now they are accusing Henry Ford of "dodging" railroad rates. We imagined Henry would talk himself into trouble sooner or later.

Owen D. Young's achievement in the reparations parley has put him in the class of Presidential probabilities, though he is a Democrat.

Some of the Mexican rebels don't know that the war is over. Several of them were killed in battle in the State of Zacatecas the other day.

The President is unlucky in his week-end outings. He almost "stuck-in-the-mud" last Sunday, and previous experiences were even worse.

Governor Fisher has made rules for the coal and iron police similar to the provisions in the bill he vetoed, but hasn't given reasons for the veto.

New Jersey has gained fame at various periods for apple-jack, sweet potatoes and mosquitoes. Recently she is getting notoriety for mysterious murders.

Judged from her demonstrated ability to talk long and hard we should say Mrs. Willebrandt should prove a very well qualified counsel for the Air Corporation.

The "Afaletics" are standing well out in front in the American League race and we're hoping they stay there, for Mr. Cornelius McGillicuddy must be about run out of allis.

Highways in Pennsylvania have been vastly improved since 1913, as State Treasurer Martin says, but the people have paid the expenses and he gives all the credit to the Republican party.

The opponents of the newly appointed judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania are threatening to carry their fight into the Senate. But it will be a futile effort Senatorial courtesy will save Watson.

A little friend of ours, who is very much interested in the Sunday school which has been organized here for the children of Hebrew families, said "business is so good I guess we'll have to have it twice a week."

Taking of the new census will not start until April 1, 1930, so there is yet time to make an effort to boost the population of Bellefonte over that four thousand mark around which it has been hanging for two decades.

A singular coincidence of the final adjudication of the Centre County Banking Company's affairs was that on last Friday the federal court at Williamsport did exactly what we asked the creditors and the court at Sunbury to do on June 30, 1922.

Thursday night's rain was a real Godsend. While it seems only a short time ago that everyone was fearful that the rains would never stop it really was long enough for the ground to dry out badly and vegetation was beginning to show the effects.

Pity poor President Hoover. His is not an enviable job. With a Congress that is so torn by sectional interests that it sees red every time a suggestion is made that might prove valuable for the country at large no President's lot could be a happy one.

In referring to a recent gathering of saintly folks in a local church Spring street had recently told us that he thought it was a "gossipy meeting." And he might not have been far off even though he couldn't renounce the word gospel, which he was attempting to use.

Already a flaw has been found in the enabling act that was passed by the last Legislature in consequence of the constitutional amendment that made voting machines legal in Pennsylvania. A word that might nullify the law got into the act in some mysterious way and that is being seized by those who don't want machines as a reason for postponing their purchase. It is just possible that some litigious tricksters could explain how got there.

After seven years came Friday, the seventh. No one who has not been through a similar ordeal can have any conception of what we have lived to stand up under since the man was organized in 1922. We forgive those who organized it, but we can't forget. And no one knows that the steadfast devotion of our any friends meant to us. Without it and the consciousness that we are not afraid to carry our troubles to the Supreme Judge of us all obviously we would have broken. It is a long journey. Some day we are only trying to conjure words that might express our feeling of attitude to our friends and words that would convey that have never been coined.

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Rum-Running at Detroit.

An intensive campaign against liquor smuggling at Detroit is contemplated by law enforcement authorities at Washington and it is high time for such a movement. In the Canadian House of Commons, at Ottawa, recently, William D. Euler, Canada's minister of national revenue, stated that he had shipped on a rum-runner and was informed by an officer of the ship that such craft operated day and night without interruption. He said that on occasions United States customs agents "assisted rum-runners to unload their cargoes and no effort, so far as we can see, is made by the United States to seize any of these boats." It is small wonder that Canadian officials are reluctant to interfere with the traffic.

The prohibition authorities at Washington have long been urging Canadian revenue officers to prevent the exportation of booze to the United States. Mr. Euler declares that "the United States customs always are notified by us an hour before the boats leave and occasionally we notify them as the boats are leaving. United States customs officials have requested the Canadian authorities to discontinue their daily telephone notifications of clearance of liquor laden vessels and have asked them to mail weekly notifications instead." The purpose of this request was probably to give the rum-runners ample time to unload their cargoes and get away with the spoils of the traffic without seizure.

Meantime President Hoover continues to "pass the buck" and "pull wool over the eyes" of the morons. He now asks Congress to appoint a special Congressional committee to plan reorganization of prohibition enforcement which will give the bootleggers and rum-runners another extension of time in which to continue their prosperous operations. Some time ago Mr. Hoover announced that the enforcement service should be taken away from Secretary Mellon and lodged in the Department of Justice. But he makes no suggestion of that kind now.

Uncle Andy may be as averse to relinquishing any of the prerogatives of his office as he is to giving up the office itself, and Uncle Andy is a vast force.

Henry Ford may be the greatest automobile builder on earth but some kind friend ought to admonish him that he is "taking in too much territory."

Drifting Toward an Oligarchy.

Senator Smoot's proposition to authorize the Treasury Department "to issue short time certificates and treasury bills up to ten billion dollars," provoked an interesting and somewhat acrimonious debate in the Senate, the other day. Senator Smoot is chairman of the Senate Committee on Finance and to a considerable extent the spokesman of the administration on the floor of the Senate. The palpable purpose of his bill was to make available ample funds to continue what Senator Couzens described as an "orgy of speculation" in Wall Street. The measure would exempt from income taxation "any capital gains made by the purchasers of the short time certificates and treasury bills."

These bills and certificates would afford adequate collateral for call loans and be capable of earning from ten to twenty per cent. profit every fifteen days during the recurring speculative orgies and, exempt from income tax on such returns, would be veritably gilt-edged property. With Uncle Andy Mellon in control of the issue the "pets of the party" would soon be able to create an overflowing fountain of wealth beyond "the dreams of avarice." Senator Couzens, who has no love for Secretary Mellon, attacked the ambitious enterprise and was ably supported by Senator Glass, of Virginia, and Senator King, of Utah, and both the present and the previous administrations were sharply criticized.

The purpose of this measure and the drift of other legislation, pending or contemplated, indicate plainly the purpose of the Republican party to transform the government of the United States into an oligarchy of big business. Senator Brookhart, of Iowa, who helped to fool the people during the recent campaign, in an address delivered in Philadelphia, the other evening, said "the United States is headed straight for the creation of a tremendous peasant class as impoverished, as hopeless and as miserable as any in Europe. This is the plain and painful truth and unless steps are taken now to check the trend it will wreck not only agriculture but all industry as well."

GEORGE PORTER LYON ESCAPES DEATH IN FALL.

Tumbled Through a Low French Window in Mistake for Bath Room Door.

A brief item in the Watchman last week, told of George Porter Lyon, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Porter Lyon, of Bellefonte, having fallen from a hotel window, in Philadelphia, at an early hour Thursday morning, and sustaining serious injuries. No particulars were available at that time, but latest reports state that although his injuries are serious the specialist in charge avers that unless unlooked for complications develop the young man will recover.

As stated last week George drove the car which conveyed Dr. C. M. Parrish, his daughter, Miss Mary, and Miss Anne Fox, to Philadelphia to witness the graduation of Dr. Joseph Parrish at Jefferson Medical College. On reaching Philadelphia the party went to the Hotel Clinton, where the young medical student was quartered. Wednesday night George Lyon and Joseph Parrish were out late with classmates of the latter and when they returned to the hotel George was pretty well tired out and laid down on a couch in his room to rest.

He fell asleep and did not waken until about half past five o'clock. Feeling slightly ill he started for the bathroom, but a light outside an open window led him to believe that was the room and he ran to it and tumbled out before he could recover his balance. His room was on the fifth floor of the hotel and the only thing that saved him from being crushed to death was that he fell into a tree standing close to the hotel and by grabbing hold of the limbs broke the force of the fall, although he was not able to save himself from going to the ground.

He laid where he fell in an alley about half an hour when he was discovered by a policeman on his round of duty. He was conscious and was able to tell who he was, what had happened and asked the officer to call Joe Parrish. The latter responded quickly called a physician and an ambulance and George was taken to the Pennsylvania hospital. His condition was such that a thorough examination could not be made for forty-eight hours and on Thursday it was necessary to give him blood transfusions. To these he readily responded which was all in his favor.

When it was possible to make a complete examination it was found that he had two fractures of the left leg, one near the ankle and the other near the hip, a fracture of the pelvis bone and a small bone in his left arm at the wrist and a fracture near the elbow, but fortunately no indication of any internal injuries has developed.

As soon as they received word of the accident the young man's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Lyon, his wife and her father, George Sunday, left for Philadelphia by automobile, arriving there Thursday evening. When it was determined that his condition was not regarded as critical they all returned home but Mrs. Lyon, who will stay with her son indefinitely.

WE SHOULD NOT FAIL OUR PROTEGEEES NOW?

20,000 children are still under the care of Near East Relief. Pennsylvania is asked to raise \$50,000 between now and June 30th. Unless this amount is secured in cash or pledges this month, hundreds of children will have to be turned away from the orphanages.

"Turning out" does not mean what it would in a country like ours, among their people who are living in settled homes under their own government. It does mean they must face life in tender years with no protection, drifting into refugee camps which are still in a terrible condition and into vagabondage of the worst kind.

The people of Centre county, unthinkingly perhaps, assumed a responsibility when the horrors of the massacres and deportations worked us up to giving most liberally to save lives, and that responsibility will not end until those saved lives are trained to take their future in their own hands. If a majority of the people who have formerly given to this work will give just a little more now, either in cash or pledges for 1929 and 1930, we can justify our former liberality and complete the task.

Please send cash or pledges to Chas. M. McCurdy, Bellefonte treasurer for Centre county Near East Relief.

—Subscribe for the Watchman.

SIXTY BOYS AND GIRLS MAKE CALF CLUB TOUR.

Sixty Centre county boys and girls, a number of parents and club sponsors, made up the calf club tour through Union county, last Saturday, under the direction of county agent R. C. Blaney, for the purpose of observing the results of calf club work conducted by the boys and girls of that section.

Leaving Pleasant Gap early in the morning, by automobile, the first stop was made at the home of Dorothy Sheets, near Hartleton. That young woman, who is a member of three clubs organized in Union county in three successive years, proudly exhibited three calves which she had purchased through her club organizations, and which were splendid examples of the care and attention given them by the young owner.

The second stop was at the farm of William H. Taylor, where the tourists inspected two calf club heifers. Dinner was eaten at the Buffalo Valley hotel after which a visit was made to the farm of the Shoemaker Bros. Five members of the family of one of the owners, both boys and girls, are members of a calf club and the five calves were led out and exhibited by the owner of each, who not only told of the care and feed of the animal but also gave a detailed account of its breeding. Several members of the Union county calf club were present at the gathering at the Shoemaker farm, among them Clair Ertley, of Mifflinburg, who has had the grand champion heifer in Union county the past two years. He gave a very interesting talk on how he raised his heifers, stating that he had fed a balanced ration of corn, oats, bran and oil meal both during the summer as well as when stabled during the winter.

The last stop was made at the home of John Wehr, below Mifflinburg, where three calf club members exhibited and told about their calves. At this stop Prof. R. R. Welch of State College, gave a demonstration and showed the Centre county members how to get their heifers ready to show at the round-up. In addition to the demonstration a judging contest was conducted by Mr. Welch for both boys and their dads. The winner of the adults was S. B. Wasson, of State College, who was given a prize by H. L. Ebright, of Centre Hall, key banker for Centre county. Prizes were presented to Earl Corl, of State College, and Kenneth Ishler, of Bellefonte, who were the high scorers of their respective groups. The four highest in the contest were selected as a dairy judging team to represent Centre county in the State-wide contest to be held at State College on June 19th, as follows: Kenneth Ishler, Bellefonte, score 88.5; James Biddle, Bellefonte, score 81.7; Earl Corl, State College, score 78.5; Eugene Homan, State College, score 68.4. The three first names mentioned will compose the team and the fourth will be the alternate. He will judge as an individual in the contest.

The tour while in Mifflinburg was under the direction of L. E. Craumer, county agent, and those present felt that they observed and picked up some ideas which will help them do a better job in caring for their own heifers.

SAFETY COMMITTEE AT MONTHLY MEETING.

On Tuesday evening of this week the safety welfare committee of the Federal Match Corporation varied their usual routine by holding their regular monthly meeting at the Evergreen Club. The meeting was preceded by a baked bean supper, which, according to those present, could not be surpassed. There were some fifty persons in the party, which included the safety committee and a number of employees, who are old in point of service.

After supper the meeting was called to order and a number of very interesting talks were given. Each of these stressed the importance of "Good Fellowship," both in and out of the plant. As one of the speakers so aptly put it, "The plant in the past two or three years has doubled its production. Of course, part of this is due to mechanical improvements, but with all these, no progress could have been made without the spirit of good will and co-operation that is so splendidly shown among the employees. This same spirit also makes it possible to operate as the plant has in the past without having serious accidents." In the future the monthly safety meeting will be held in conjunction with a get-together meeting, such as was held Tuesday night.

—Read the Watchman for the news

SPAULS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

—Claiming defamation of character, Miss Florianna Rhoads, 19, Shamokin, has brought suit in the Northumberland county courts seeking \$10,000 damages from Mrs. Thomas Manning, a neighbor. Miss Rhoads asserts that she has lost large sums of money as a result of talk due to her business as a public stenographer.

—One man was drowned and four narrowly escaped serious injury when a cable broke on the new Rochester and Monaca bridge. The four men who were working on the bridge dropped 90 feet into the Ohio river. The man who drowned was Frank Watier, 23, of Washington, Pa. His body was recovered a few hours later.

—McKeesport High school instructors do not approve of the stockings and among school girls. Six members of the freshman class who appeared at classes Monday were sent home, it became known today. Dr. J. B. Richey, superintendent of school, declined to say what action would be taken when an official report on the matter was made.

—Officials of the State Game Commission had not the slightest notion that when they offered pheasant eggs free to anyone who filled out a form there would be so many applicants. The incoming mail became so heavy that it swamped the office for some time and now the available supply is exhausted. Applicants should not lose hope, however, because the commission has announced that the number of applicants over the supply will be kept on file for future possible filling.

—Suffering from what her physician terms rat-bite fever Gladys Marie Horner six years of age, is confined to the Hanover hospital in a serious condition. The girl, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Addison Horner, of Hanover, Pa., was bitten on a finger of the right hand by a rat about four weeks ago. The wound, apparently healed, but recently she began to lose weight, grow pale and drowsy. Dr. George P. Ard, of Hanover, ordered her removal to the hospital. The child's temperature is 106.

—Ground will be broken in a few days for a receiving station for Mifflin county's milk to be cooled and shipped to Philadelphia for retail trade. The plant will be built along the Kishacoquillas creek, in Lewisport, and will be ready for operation September 1. This will be the only plant for shipping milk to Philadelphia between Huntingdon and Duncannon. Each one of 150 farmers of Mifflin county invested \$100 in the plant, which is to be returned to them with 8 per cent interest.

—Recommendation that firms receiving contracts for road construction or public buildings "be urged to hire the unemployed in the communities of these activities before any importation of labor takes place," is made by Secretary of Labor and Industry Peter Glick in the report of Walter J. Lloyd, director of the employment bureau. If the State would insist that unemployed Pennsylvanians be first employed, the greater majority of our unemployment problems will have been corrected," the report asserts.

—Shot in the head by his father while they were hunting muskrats, Wayne Showers, 17, son of Stephen Showers, of Annville, fell 25 feet to his death into an abandoned limestone quarry north of that town. Father and son had become separated and the former told Corner Manbeck that he became convinced a brown body he saw moving along the quarry edge in the growing darkness was a muskrat and fired at it. Examination today disclosed the wound in the head to have been slight, but in the fall the boy's neck was broken.

—Twenty minutes after Claude Sweitzer, 21 years old, of Evansville, Berks county, volunteered to serve as his own constable Saturday night and take himself to jail, a jail official telephoned Alderman Roy F. Heffelfinger that Sweitzer had arrived. When accused of stealing from the home of Amos Kaufman, of Evansville, Sweitzer was given a hearing and when held for court by the alderman, was told he would have to wait until a constable arrived to take him to jail. "Give me the papers; I'll take myself up," Sweitzer said, and he did.

—Vacation time is here, and it means more to Robert Muir, of Allegheny county, than to most folks. Muir, Scottish miner, employed by the Pittsburgh Coal company at Montour, is on the high seas bound for the land of the bonnie heather. It is his first respite from the work-a-day life of a coal miner since he came to America to seek his fortune twenty-seven years ago. Pittsburgh Coal company officials estimate Muir, in the last twenty-seven years has mined or loaded 80,000,000 pounds of coal. Friends of the 55-year-old Scot gave him a farewell banquet before he left. And what's more, the boss sent word his job will be waiting when he returns August 1.

—Felix Fertak, captured at Central City, Somerset county, last Thursday during a holdup of the Central City National bank, has admitted state police said, that he had been a member of the Paul Jawarski gang and had participated with the gang in several payroll holdups and bank robberies in which two men were killed. Fertak, also known as John Miskic, Frank Kraus and Stanley Stanko, was said to have been identified by detectives from Allegheny county, in which most of the robberies occurred, as one of the long-sought members of the Jawarski gang. The officers termed Fertak as the "brains" of the gang. Paul Jawarski, leader of the band, was executed at Rockview prison early this year for the slaying of a guard in a payroll holdup.

—An animal of gigantic proportions with the cry of a human being, or at least so say the natives, is causing terror in the Bone Mill hollow section of southern Lancaster county. Residents of the territory, which is surrounded by a wooded country with dense underbrush, were startled with a fierce-like cry from the wilderness on Wednesday night. Since then chickens have disappeared and feathers and legs of white guineas have been found outside of pens. Milton Bucher, an elder in the Menonite church at Puseyville, and of reliable character in the community avers he saw the monster Thursday night when he went into the underbrush with a large dog to ascertain the source of the noises. The dog fled when the animal which he found hard to describe, let out a shrill sound and disappeared.

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