

The New York Giants, without John McGraw, will be as colorless as Hamlet without the melancholy Dane.

In the estimation of those who had anticipations of drinking it the seizure of that truck load of gin destined for State College, probably spoiled commencement entirely.

While we congratulate Brother Sheetz, of "The Mountain Times" on having landed the mercantile appraisal advertising we'd like to know how in the h— he got it.

The defeat of Smith W. Brookhart for renomination as the Republican candidate for United States Senator from Iowa means that that State will send a Democrat to represent it in the seventy-third Congress.

Of the hundred thousand and more young men and women who will be graduated from the colleges and universities of our country this month only those will succeed who are not discouraged when they discover there is no royal road to success.

Thus far the Governor's conferences preparatory to calling a second extra session of the Legislature have gotten nowhere, simply because his exaggerated ego won't permit him to believe that the judgment of others is worthy of any respect from him.

Be sure to read the "Fifty Years Ago" column in this issue. Whether you are young or old or whether or not you are interested in what was happening in Centre county half a century ago, there is one item in it that will be sure to cause a good laugh.

The resignation of Mr. Dawes from the presidency of the Federal Reconstruction Finance Corporation has probably given President Hoover a few sleepless nights. "Hell n' Maria" wouldn't have deserted that service to his country had he not felt that the President was headed the wrong way in his conception of what the Corporation was enacted for.

Young Mr. Rockefeller's conclusion that the Volstead Act has been a failure and should be repealed will carry no conviction, whatever, to many others who advocated and support it. The net result of his rather sensational about-face on the question will be merely admiration for a man who has the courage to admit he is wrong when he becomes convinced that he is.

Governor Pinchot has ordered a slash in the State's budget for the fiscal year that began on June 1. Of course it is to come off the appropriations made for the charitable and educational institutions of the State. The Governor couldn't think of dropping any of that army of eight hundred and thirty-two new sycophants he has added to the public payroll since he came into office seventeen months ago.

We're all perked up. Last Friday evening we stepped out and landed three trout. Three might not sound impressive to those of our piscatorial friends who have not plumbed the depths of "skunkdom" as often as we have this season. When we tell them, however, that one was fifteen, another eleven and the third eight, they will understand that "the old man" had a thrill that has told that fear that he was slipping to scam.

As their national convention approaches leaders of the Republican party are becoming more and more excited about the Prohibition question. Like Banquo's ghost, it will not down and conferences are being held, daily, at the White House in the hope of constructing a plank for the platform that will be wet on one side and dry on the other. And the worry seems so needless. For no matter what kind of props they build under their candidate he won't have a look in in November.

No act of Governor Pinchot, since he has been a figure in the public life of Pennsylvania, has been the cause of his falling in the respect of the good people of Centre county quite so much as his recent disruption of the Mothers' Assistance Fund Board of the county. Were it not that so many worthy mothers and children would suffer in consequence we would urge our County Commissioners to withdraw from co-operation in the Fund. In fact, we have heard that they have considered such a procedure.

We have much sympathy for the rich poor devils who are having such trials adjusting themselves to the new order of things. We never coveted their money, though we think we might have done much more good with some of it than the most of them did. Never having known a want not supplied we, who have seldom known a day of such luxury and satisfaction, have little conception of the depths of despair those whose wealth has been swept away by the depression are plumbing. Some might say "It's good for them," and, maybe, it will be, but those of us who have been used to hard knocks can rise above them much more easily than those who have never known that there were such things.

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## THREE NEW MEMBERS ON CENTRE COUNTY BOARD MOTHER'S ASSISTANCE

Two Old Members Ousted in Favor of New Appointees Though Terms Would Not Have Expired Until 1935.

Petty peanut politics as exemplified in the removal of two of the old members of the Mothers' Assistance Fund Board practically in the middle of their term and the appointment of two new members has caused a furore of sensational excitement in Bellefonte and Centre county, this week, and resulted in the board of County Commissioners sending a letter of protest to Governor Pinchot with a strong recommendation that the old board be retained intact.

The old members removed are Mrs. John S. Walker, of Bellefonte, who was one of the original appointees when the Mothers' Assistance Fund was established fourteen years ago by act of the Legislature, and has been the very efficient secretary and treasurer of the board from the time it started to function up to the present time; and Mrs. G. S. Frank, of Millheim, who was appointed by Governor Fisher in 1929 for a term of six years.

The new appointees to take the place of the above two women are Mrs. Helen E. Dale, of Bellefonte, wife of former Judge Arthur C. Dale, who is at present chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board, and Mrs. William Young, of State College, who, it is understood, is a former Philadelphia woman. The other change is the appointment of Mrs. Ruth Crain, of Port Matilda, to take the place of Mrs. E. H. Harris, of Snow Shoe, whose term has expired. The term of Miss Mary Hunter Linn, of Bellefonte, has also expired and Governor Pinchot offered her a reappointment but she wrote the Governor declining to accept it.

The only appointment that has so far been openly announced from the Governor's office is that of Mrs. Crain, word of the other two changes having come to knowledge through an announcement of the Welfare Department, but it was verified on Wednesday afternoon, so far as Mrs. Dale is concerned, when she filed her oath of office in the prothonotary's office.

The first official notice the County Commissioners had of the ousting of several of the old members was when the board met at the court house, Tuesday, to close up the business for the fiscal year which ended June 1st. That the change did not meet with their approval was manifest from the emphatic way in which they expressed themselves. In an effort to prevent the change in membership they sent the following letter to Governor Pinchot, duly signed by every member of the board:

Hon. Gifford Pinchot, Governor of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.

My Dear Sir: We very much regret the proposed change in our Mothers' Assistance Fund.

Our present Board is made up of splendid women. They have been very efficient, economical and thorough in this work, and we strongly recommend the retention of the old Board intact.

JOHN S. SPEARLEY,  
H. E. HOLTZWORTH,  
J. VICTOR BRUNGART.

County Commissioners. Whether the above protest will have any weight with the Governor remains to be seen, as up to this writing no response has been received. The act of the Legislature creating the Mothers' Assistance Fund and providing for the appointment of boards of administration in each county specifies that the commissioners "may" recommend to the Governor candidates for appointment but there is nothing in the act to make it obligatory on the Governor to follow the recommendations. And inasmuch as such appointments do not require confirmation by the Senate the Governor has the right to "hire and fire" at will, or whenever he deems it politically expedient to do so.

Six of the seven members of the old board were present at the meeting at the court house, on Tuesday. They were Mrs. Frank Gardner, of State College, president of the board; Mrs. John S. Walker, secretary-treasurer; Miss Mary Hunter Linn and Mrs. John S. Sommerville, of Bellefonte; Mrs. G. S. Frank, of Millheim, and Mrs. E. H. Harris, of Snow Shoe, Mrs. Charles McGirk, of Phillipsburg, the other member of the board, was away from home and unable to attend the meeting.

Meeting with the board, on Tuesday, was Miss Laura F. Porter, an itinerant State worker in the interest of the fund, and it was to her the Commissioners told what they

## BELLEFONTE GIRLS WILL COMPETE IN HORSE SHOW AT ALTOONA TOMORROW

As a feature of Altoona's Flag Day celebration to be held by the Charles R. Rowan post, No. 228, American Legion, there will be a horse show tomorrow afternoon in which delegations from troops at Clearfield, Tyrone, Bellefonte and Altoona will take part. There will be riding events for women as well as men, and the young women who will represent Troop L, of Bellefonte, are Misses Catherine Farley, Betty Musser and Pearl Shope. All of them are experienced horsewomen and we expect to see them come home with a ribbon each, at least.

In the neighborhood of twenty American Legion drum corps are expected to take part in the competitive drill this (Friday) evening, which will be the opening number on the two day's program. This will be followed by a brilliant display of fireworks and a dance to-night.

There will be a big parade at one o'clock tomorrow afternoon and a massed band concert preceding the show which will be held on the Maple avenue field.

United States Senator James J. Davis has signified his intention to be present and State officers who are expected include Lieut. Governor Edward Shannon, Major General William G. Price, Brigadier General Edward Martin and Adjutant General David J. Davis. Col. E. J. Stackpole and several regular army officers will also be there.

## FIVE CARLOADS OF GOVERNMENT WHEAT COMING TO BELLEFONTE

The two carloads of government flour received some time ago by the Bellefonte chapter of the American Red Cross for free distribution among the unemployed has all been used and Burgess Hard P. Harris put in a requisition for five additional carloads, three for Bellefonte and the territory covered by the local chapter and two for the Snow Shoe region.

Instead of sending flour, however, the government shipped wheat which will be turned into flour at the mill of C. Y. Wagner & Co. The first carload, about 1400 bushels, has arrived and is now being converted into flour. The four additional carloads will come along at different intervals.

On Thursday of last week Governor Pinchot appointed Mrs. Ruth A. Crain, of Port Matilda, a member of the board of trustees of the Mothers' Assistance Fund of Centre county, as successor to Mrs. Jean M. Harris, of Snow Shoe, whose term had expired. He also appointed Walter T. Wrye, of Warriorsmark, a justice of the peace to succeed the late John T. Patton, deceased.

thought of the matter. Of course Miss Porter had no authority to make any official statement as to the reason for the change in the local board which the Commissioners termed as outrageous proceedings. So far as Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Frank are concerned, it is not the fact that they have been fired from the board that hurts as the disconcerting way in which it was done. And then, again, it has all the earmarks of a reflection on their integrity and disposition of the fund placed at their disposal.

And no man or woman in Centre county, or the State at large, can question the handling of the Centre county fund. Every member of the board was super-conscientious in regard to the distribution of the money in order to make it go as far as possible in aiding dependent mothers and children. Under the law the board is authorized to appropriate ten per cent of the fund as expenses of administration but the Centre county board kept it's expenses down to about three per cent and devoted the balance to further relief of the needy.

As stated above Mrs. Walker has been secretary-treasurer of the board ever since its organization fourteen years ago. A woman training in business methods during her girlhood days and continuing in active business all her life, she had the active handling of the fund, making out of voluminous reports, etc., for which she did not receive one cent of pay, and in many cases paid small items of expense out of her own funds. Not another board in the State was as economical in the administration of the fund or turned in better monthly reports than the Centre county board and the appointment of four new members cannot help but result in a disorganization of the work.

## 84-YEAR OLD WOMAN SPENDS NIGHT AND TWO DAYS IN MOUNTAINS

Saw Searching Parties Hunting for Her but Evaded Them and Returned Home Alone.

Mrs. Sarah Burd, who since the death of her husband, John Burd, several years ago, has made her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles I. Lucas, along the road towards Holt's Hollow, in Boggs township, left home last Friday morning, went into the foothills of the Allegheny mountains and though a hundred or more men and boys literally scoured the woods Friday night and all day Saturday she managed to evade them and remained in the mountains until dark, Saturday evening, when she made her way to the home of her son, Edward Burd, where she spent the night in the barn then went to the house about 7:30 o'clock on Sunday morning, apparently as unconcerned as if she had returned from a visit at the home of a neighbor.

Mrs. Burd is 84 years old and though she is in good health her mind is not as active and acute as in former years, and withal she is endowed with considerable cunning. On Friday morning her daughter, Mrs. Lucas, had gone to the home of her husband's mother, Mrs. Robert Lucas, to assist in housecleaning, the latter woman being badly crippled with rheumatism. When Mr. Lucas went in to dinner he failed to find his mother-in-law about the house and naturally concluded she, too, had gone over to his mother's. When Mrs. Lucas returned home about four o'clock and found her mother missing she called several neighbors on the telephone in an endeavor to locate her, but without avail. She then made a search of the house and finally found a note written by her mother in which she said she had gone away for good but had left a five dollar bill in the clock for her grand-daughter, Mrs. Daisy Emenhiser, of Mill Hill. The five dollars were found in the clock and a further search revealed the fact that all of Mrs. Burd's clothing was missing from it's accustomed place.

News of the aged woman's disappearance quickly spread and men and boys in that locality hunted through the mountains until after midnight. Saturday morning they were again out at the break of day. Boy Scouts from Bellefonte and men from Milesburg, Yarnell and other places, one hundred or more, literally combed the woods all day on Saturday without finding a trace of the missing woman. The men rested on Saturday night and the hunt was resumed at an early hour Sunday morning, a large crowd being in the woods when the woman unceremoniously walked into the home of her son to get some breakfast. News of her reappearance was promptly sent into the woods and the searchers called off.

Mrs. Burd claims she spent Friday night in the mountains and that she both saw and heard the searchers on Saturday but kept out of their way purposely. When she left home she took an extra dress and change of underwear with her, and for something to eat the heel of a loaf of bread, which was all she had until she returned home. Before leaving home she had secreted her clothing in the bottom of an old trunk and in the folds of bed-clothing stored in an unused closet. It was in the latter place her pocket-book, containing \$37.50, was also found. Notwithstanding her age she seemed none the worse for her adventurous trip.

## STATE COLLEGE YOUTH ARRESTED IN DUBOIS ON BOGUS CHECK CHARGE

Austin Eisenman, of State College, was arrested in DuBois, Saturday morning, on the charge of passing bogus checks. There were two checks passed, one at the Hay Drug company and one at the Klewans store, both checks having been given in payment of purchases made and for the exact amount of the purchase. Eisenman is at present under parole in the Centre county court. At the September sessions, 1931, he pleaded guilty to passing a worthless check at State College and was placed on probation for a year after his father had made good on the check and paid the costs in the case.

When he was arrested in DuBois he returned the purchases he had made and paid for with the bogus checks and the merchants there being loath to prosecute the case against him he was brought back to Centre county to answer to the charge of breaking his parole.

## FLAG TO BE RAISED BY P. O. S. OF A. IN HONORING FLAG DAY

The P. O. S. of A. of Bellefonte and Centre county will celebrate Flag Day tomorrow evening by raising the Stars and Stripes on a pole erected in the southwestern corner of the court house yard, and presenting the same to the county.

The event will open with a parade which will form at the P. O. S. of A. hall, in the Jodon building, at 6 o'clock. It will include the Bellefonte camp and visiting delegations from other parts of the county. P. O. of A. ladies, commanderies, Etc. The Veterans of Foreign Wars, Brooks-Doll post of the American Legion and Troop L. have also been invited to take part.

District attorney John G. Love will have charge of the presentation ceremonies. The program provides for an invocation by Rev. Robert Thena; presentation of the Flag by Judge M. Ward Fleming; acceptance of flag by County Treasurer Robert F. Hunter; raising of the Flag while the I. O. O. F. band plays the "Star Spangled Banner"; addresses by Judge Albert W. Johnson, of Lewisburg, and Harry J. Farr, of Sayre; expressions of thanks by John G. Love Esq., to business men and others who contributed money, material and labor toward the flag raising; the rendition of "America" by the band and adjournment.

Following the flag raising a festival and band concert will be held on the Krader lot, on Howard street, near the Logan fire company building. Members of the P. O. S. of A. would appreciate it if business men and individuals will display their flags during the day.

## STATE COLLEGE PEOPLE PROTEST ANNEXATION OF LYTLE'S ADDITION

The people who live in Lytle's Addition literally don't know where they are at. They have been booted back and forth by the annexation propagandists until they are uncertain whether they belong to the borough or the township. In fact when they go to bed at night they are uncertain where they will wake up in the morning.

College township don't want the Addition and State College don't want it, so there you are. The annexation scheme was a originally started, according to some of the interested attorneys, by the road supervisors, poor overseers and school directors of College township who were anxious to get rid of the settlement by having it annexed to State College. The borough was not anxious to have it and blocked the original proceedings.

Another petition was presented to the court and Judge Fleming granted the same temporarily pending the report of the auditor on June 30th and the filing of an answer of any opponents to the annexation. And now it develops that not only will a protest be filed by borough council of State College but that body will be joined by the school board and overseers of the poor. And indications are there will be a lively legal clash before the matter is finally settled, either for or against annexation.

## ALTOONA BOY MISSING FROM FARM HOME IN BALD EAGLE VALLEY

James J. Barrett, of Altoona, is anxious to know the whereabouts of his son, Frank James Barrett, who disappeared from the home of Mrs. Mary Flick, near Unionville, on the evening of May 5th, and no trace of him has been found up to the present.

The boy is 14 years old, slight of stature, weighs about 90 pounds, and has a slight limp in his right leg. He has blue eyes, light hair and fair complexion. He was a member of the Freshman class in the Altoona High school. For some time past he had been afflicted with a nervous ailment which affected his mental condition. On advice of the family physician he was taken to the farm home of Mrs. Flick on the morning of May 5th with the hope that the outdoor life would prove beneficial. That evening he asked permission to hunt for a pocket comb which he claimed he had lost. He went out of the house and failed to return and that was the last seen or heard of him.

The boy's father is a yard brake-man for the P. R. R. company, in Altoona, and has no financial means to pursue a hunt for his son, who is one of a family of ten children.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Crust have taken the Tate apartment, near the post-office, recently vacated by the Copleys.

## SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

The U. S. bureau of internal revenue last week found an overassessment of \$20,045 in the income of Dorothy A. Quigley, of Lock Haven, for 1925. The bureau refunded \$19,324 and credited \$721.

The Berwick Lumber and Supply company submitted the low bid to the department of property and supplies for the construction of a new armory building at Mansfield. The low bid was \$32,000.

Suit for \$20,000 was filed last Thursday by Oil City against W. W. Holt, former city treasurer, and his bonding company, for alleged delinquent taxes. Holt, defeated for re-election in November, held the office for 16 years.

Sheldon Richardson, 26, of near Gettysburg, is in the Adams county jail charged with manslaughter as the result of an automobile accident which resulted in the death of Raymond Hurley, 38, of Iron Springs. Richardson lost control of the car and it upset.

State and county officers are investigating the theft of 100 prize trout from the Bakersville hatchery, near Berlin, Pa., the past week. The robbery was the third at the hatchery recently. The trout stolen were from the special pond where about 200 prize trout are kept for breeding purposes.

In the latest of a series of robberies which have extended over a period of eight weeks, the safe in the W. E. Mathew mill, at Benton, was cracked on Friday and \$150 in cash and \$50 in checks taken. About the same time a store and gasoline station in Benton was burglarized with \$20 loot.

Larceny of mortgage bonds valued at \$150,000 was charged against Ralph and J. H. Mengel, brothers and officials of the New Home Savings and Loan Association, of Reading, by J. L. Rhoads, secretary, in warrants served on Monday afternoon. They furnished \$25,000 bail each for a hearing Thursday afternoon.

Fourteen children were given trial at York, on Monday, on a charge of non-support brought by their 75-year-old father, Samuel A. Bankert, West Manheim township. Judge Niles, in ordering six of the sons who own farms to pay \$1 a week for the support of their parent, took occasion to rebuke the defendants for lack of filial affection.

William Busch, Pittsburgh, asks \$50,000 damages for being run down by three steers of the Oswald & Hess company, Pittsburgh packers, in a suit filed in common pleas court, in that city, last Wednesday. He alleges he suffered a fractured jaw and several fractured ribs and back injuries when three steers escaped from the company's packing plant and ran him down while he was walking along a nearby street.

Blind in his left eye for 11 years, Evan Jones, borough councilman of Shamokin, is again able to see. Jones lost the sight of his eye in a mine accident a month ago he was hurt in a fall in a Shamokin freestone. He spent three weeks in Shamokin State hospital as a result of the fall. After he was discharged he noticed that the sight was gradually returning to his left eye and today he is able to see normally with both eyes.

Four Danville men were arrested by fish warden Albert S. Snyder, in Union county, charged with illegal setting of lines in Weiskert creek. A warning was issued by state forester Raymond Winters, of Millifinburg, that if illegal fishing is not halted cabin leases on State land will be revoked. The men were Robert Lee, Rubin Andrews, John Geist and George P. Baker. The first two men paid a fine of \$20 each and costs. The other two were released.

Seven pairs of wild Kansas jack rabbits, purchased by the Clinton county Fish and Game Association from Rang, Kansas, have been released in Sugar Valley, Rauchtown, Avis, Mackeyville, Cedar Springs and Nittany by Henry Cree, of Woolrich, president of the county association and William McKinney, of Avis, chairman of the game committee. M. O. Welshans, of Rauchtown, a director in the association, has ordered three additional pairs to be liberated in the Rauchtown territory.

In a case which involved the alleged larceny of two chairs valued at 70 cents each, a jury in Chester county common pleas court last week, acquitted the defendant and placed the cost of the trial, amounting to \$81, upon the justice of the peace and a constable. The defendant was George Spindler, of Parkerford. The costs were placed upon magistrate John Halpin, West Goshen township, and constable Joseph Bryan, Judge W. Butler Windle in charging the jury criticized the officials for bringing trivial cases to court.

Alice Leslie, Bridgeton, N. J., and John Dorman, Smithson, Pa., both 20 years old and members of the Junior class at Bucknell University, were struck by lightning on Sunday, while walking on the college golf course at Lewisburg. Both were severely burned about the ankles but, except for shock, were otherwise unharmed. The bolt which rendered them unconscious for about half an hour, tore their clothing badly. Dorman was able to attract the attention of a farmer when he regained consciousness and the latter took them to the college infirmary.

Trial of four Lock Haven policemen and five individuals charged with conspiracy and collusion against the prohibition laws will be heard in United States District court at Scranton next week, according to subpoenas served Saturday by a deputy U. S. marshal. The police are William T. Devling, George R. Webb, Martin J. Peters and Robert W. Probst. With them are Simon Zimmerman, former horse dealer, Archie W. Mace, William T. Miller, George Schroet and Russell Carter, officers of the Dutch Club at the time the organization was raided in 1930.

An anonymous gift-giver is making Mr. and Mrs. John Neely, of Wentling's Corners, richer but puzzled and uneasy. Since Haloween, 1925, they have received presents of jewelry three times. They have no idea who is their benefactor. Although reassured in an unsigned note in one of the packages that they need not fear to wear the gifts—that they were given in return for a favor to the donor by Mrs. Neely—the Neelys have no recollection of ever having bestowed any unusual favor on anyone. The gifts include a man's watch, a woman's diamond ring, a man's ruby ring and a woman's white gold pendant set with two diamonds.