

—Can't you see Mrs. Nick Longworth thumbing her nose at Dolly Gans if the Republicans scrap Vice President Curtis.

—It was significant that mention of Roosevelt's name in the Republican Convention incited more vociferous cheering than that of Hoover.

—The Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican National Convention got away from State Chairman Martin on the prohibition question and left him to pusseyfoot alone.

—At Newark, N. J., September 17, 1928, Herbert Hoover said: "We have reached the highest standard of living, unparalleled in the world." So we had, but he was elected two months later and look at us now.

—If they send Gaston B. Means to the pen for having bamboozled Mrs. Evalyn Walsh out of a hundred grand they ought to appoint a commissic: to put her in a place where she will no longer be a temptation for sickers.

—The boys and girls whom the depression has chased to the parental mahogany for a meal ticket are not saying: "What's the big idea?" when their father or mother vouchsafes a bit of sound advice. They have discovered that nobody ever gets the world by the tail.

—Clarence True Wilson, F. Scott McBride and Bishop Cannon are at the Chicago Convention. And, it might be said, they have had a hectic time between keeping the Republican elephant from tramping on them and dodging the hoofs of "The Brewers' Big Horses."

—The Bellefonte Sportsmen's Association is going to dedicate its organization to the promotion of good manners among those who hunt and fish. It will be a hard job, made so because the homes and the schools of our land seem to have forgotten that gentility is a desirable trait.

—Seersucker suits are said to be in vogue for summer wear. If you have to be in style and wear a thirty-eight, buy a forty-eight. We had one, the last time they were worn, and when it came home from its first visit to the laundry the whole thing wouldn't have made a slobbering bib for a baby.

—We never heard former Sheriff "Dep" Dunlap charged with being a rough spoken man, but if there are any who have reason to think he is we want to assure them that they are all wet. He tried to jam Spring creek Wednesday morning and the mess he made of it proves that he couldn't damn anything unless it might be this column for having laughed at his futile endeavor.

—Both of our Congressmen, Chase and Kurtz, voted to pay the soldiers' bonus certificates immediately. Chase did it to insure himself an "ace in the hole" when he decides to stage a political comeback. Kurtz did it because he wants to go back. But Col. Fred Kerr, who fought with the boys on the other side and is their friend for other than political reasons, is going to be the next Congressman from this District.

—If the "Roosevelt Democrat" from Karthaus will send us his name we will be pleased to publish his criticism in the Watchman of May 27. Why so much mystery was made of getting it to this office we are at a loss to understand and as anonymous contributions are taboo here we shall have to withhold publication until the writer reveals himself.

—After Fall, Sinclair and the others of the modern Jesse Jameses who are hanging onto the Republican party stole the governments' oil fields right out from under the very nose of Uncle Sam and a Democratic Senator caught them the Republican convention in Chicago staged a parade of the aisles because a plank was being written in to their platform that promised that hereafter all Republican pliffers of public resources will be slapped on the wrist.

—Right now the radio is pouring into our ears the report that Mr. Garfield is making for the resolutions committee of the Republican National Convention in Chicago. After having blamed all our troubles on Central Europe he is proceeding to tell the world what Mr. Hoover has done and will do if given another chance. Mr. Garfield's fulminations are now going in one ear and out the other because we feel that Mr. Hoover has done enough already to make it foolhardy to think of giving him another chance.

—Governor Harry Flood Byrd, of Virginia, has a presidential lightning rod up. While it is not likely to be struck the Virginia Governor has done things for his State that arrest national attention. That is, national so far as every other part of the country except Harrisburg is concerned. Pinchot would think Byrd was a fool for reorganizing Virginia's administrative process so that one hundred different agencies were consolidated into twelve departments at a saving of eight hundred thousand dollars effected in operating costs.

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STATE COLLEGE YOUTH DROWNED LAST WEEK NEAR McALEVY'S FORT.

Had Gone There With Fishing Party For a Few Hours Sport on Stone Creek.

Joseph Glenn, 21-year-old son of Mrs. Elsie Glenn Meyer, of State College, was drowned in a shallow pool of water, in Stone creek, near McAlevy's Fort, on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Nobody saw the accident happen and the actual cause of his death is mostly surmise. Glenn has for some years been subject to fainting spells. On Wednesday afternoon he accompanied F. L. Struble, of State College, and James Kline, of Pine Grove Mills, on a fishing trip to Stone creek. They arrived at McAlevy's Fort about two o'clock. Kline decided he would fish for suckers and made his way to a deep hole in the creek. Struble went down stream fly-casting for trout. Glenn stated that he would stay with Kline.

Struble fished until about five o'clock then went up stream to join his companions. He found Kline who told him that Glenn had started down stream an hour previous. Struble went to where their car was parked but Glenn was not there. Kline then started up stream to hunt for him but he had not gone far when he met several fishermen who told him that Glenn's dead body had been found in the creek about 4:50 o'clock by William Troutwine, an Altoona fisherman.

The body was left where it was discovered until the arrival of Dr. John M. Kelchline, coroner of Huntingdon county, who, after a complete examination, pronounced death the result of suffocation as no water was found in the lungs. The young man evidently had been overcome with one of his fainting spells, fallen into the water which at that point was not over eighteen inches deep, and been suffocated.

He was a son of Samuel and Elsie Foreman Glenn and was born at Lemont. Following his father's death his mother married Garris Meyer. In addition to his mother he is survived by two brothers, Frank and Lynn Glenn, a half-brother and a half-sister, Peter and Sarah Meyer. Funeral services were held at his late home, at State College, at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon, by Rev. Assendorf, of the Reformed church, burial being made in the Centre Hall cemetery.

TWO MEN ARRESTED FOR FURNISHING LIQUOR TO ROCKVIEW PRISONERS

Charles Bilger, of Nittany mountain, and Ambrose Dobson, of Mingo-ville, were arrested, last Friday morning, on the alleged charge of furnishing liquor to prisoners at Rockview penitentiary. Bilger was released on bail but at this writing Dobson is still in jail.

For some time past officials at Rockview have been convinced of the fact that some of the inmates were getting liquor from some source but they were unable to get even a hint of the underground channel until a week or ten days ago when a negro inmate was found who undoubtedly had been sampling the cup that cheers. On being searched a partly emptied bottle of moonshine was found concealed in his shirt. While the negro didn't exactly state who furnished him the liquor he told enough to give officials a lead to work on.

Mr. Bilger has a saw mill on the penitentiary lands above the reservoir in MacBride's Gap, where he has a contract cutting timber and sawing railroad ties. An officer was set to watch that place and on Friday morning, concealed in the underbrush, he saw Dobson put something in the shirt of a prisoner. Stepping out of his place of concealment he accosted the prisoner and found inside his shirt a bottle of liquor. Dobson was placed under arrest and he implicated Bilger. Both men were brought to the Centre county jail, but Bilger was released on bail the same afternoon.

Furnishing liquor to prisoners in a State institution is a serious offense and punishable under an old act of the Legislature with a fine of \$5000 and from five to twenty years in the penitentiary.

No rain that has fallen in years was more welcome than that of Sunday. It began to rain shortly after 8 o'clock and continued without interruption until about two in the afternoon. Sufficient water fell during that time to soak the ground to garden spade depth, and the result has been a big boost to farm and garden crops.

THE NEW BOARD OF MOTHERS' ASSISTANCE ORGANIZED TUESDAY

The Centre county board of the Mothers' Assistance Fund met in the library of the court house, on Tuesday, to reorganize for the ensuing year, a fact rendered necessary by Governor Pinchot's removal of two members of the old board and the appointment of two other women to take their place, and the appointment of a third new member to take the place of one whose term had expired.

Present at the meeting were Mrs. Frank D. Gardner and Mrs. William Young, of State College; Miss Mary Hunter Linn and Mrs. John S. Somerville, of Bellefonte, and Mrs. Ruth Crain, of Port Matilda. Mrs. Arthur C. Dale, one of the new members appointed by the Governor, was detained at home owing to the illness of one of her children.

The board reorganized by electing Mrs. Gardner, president; Mrs. Crain, vice president, and Mrs. Young, secretary-treasurer.

On Tuesday Governor Pinchot appointed Mrs. Edna B. Hassinger, of Millheim, a member of the board in place of Miss Linn, of Bellefonte, whose term had expired and who refused a reappointment. This will make four new members of the board, the most pronounced change since the fund was established fourteen years ago.

Up to this time Governor Pinchot has not even acknowledged the letter of protest sent him last week by the Centre-County Commissioners over his disruption of the old board, and they are somewhat uncertain what action to take. One member of the board averred this week that he will stand pat on his declaration of last week not to recognize the new board and is in favor of withdrawing the county's support. Whether that can be done in the middle of the biennium period is a question. But whatever happens checks will be forwarded to the mothers this month, as usual.

GAME COMMISSION MAKES SHORTER SEASON FOR SHOOTING BEAR

Fifteen days has been knocked off the open season for killing bear, this year, according to an announcement made by the Game Commission on Tuesday. The season will be November 10th to 30th, inclusive, instead of November 10th to December 15th. And hunting camps will be limited to three bear instead of four, as in former years. This further protection is thrown around bear because they appear to be growing scarcer in the State.

Buck deer will be the only kind of that species of game animal legal shooting this year. The season and limit has not been changed.

The season on wild turkeys, ring-necked pheasants, ruffed grouse and bobwhite quail will extend from November 1 to November 26, inclusive, with hunting permitted only on Tuesday and Wednesday of the first week; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of the second week, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday of the third and fourth weeks.

The season on squirrels, rabbits and hares will extend from November 1 to November 30, inclusive, with the customary six-day-a-week hunting.

There will be no season on either Hungarian partridges or Reeves pheasants.

The season on fur-bearing animals including mink, opossum, skunk, and others remains unchanged and will extend from November 1 to February 28, 1933, inclusive.

CLEARFIELD CO. FARMERS TO TOUR STATE COLLEGE.

Members of the Clearfield county Dairy Herd Improvement association and farmers in general will make a tour to State College on Wednesday of next week. Enroute to the College they will stop at the Peters Bros. dairy farm, at Stormstown, to inspect their herd of twenty Holstein cows. From there they will proceed to the College where Dean R. L. Watts will play host to the visitors.

HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE ATTEND FLAG RAISING SATURDAY EVENING

Beautiful Emblem Presented to the County by the Bellefonte Camp, P. O. S. of A.

Hundreds of people, probably several thousand, all told, thronged the Diamond, Saturday evening, to witness the raising and official presentation to Centre county of a beautiful flag and standard by Bellefonte camp P. O. S. of A.

The exercises began at 6:30 o'clock with a parade led by the Odd Fellows band and including members of Washington camp, Bellefonte, the ladies of the P. O. of A., visiting delegations and Troop L, 103rd mounted machine gun battalion, N. G. P.

District attorney John G. Love presided and explained in brief the purpose of the gathering. Rev. Robert Thena led in prayer after which Judge M. Ward Fleming was introduced and made the speech of presentation. The flag was accepted on behalf of the county by Robert F. Hunter, County Treasurer. At the conclusion of his speech the flag was unfurled to the breeze by members of the camp while the band rendered "America."

At this stage of the proceedings Mr. Love took occasion to thank business firms and individuals who so cheerfully assisted the P. O. S. of A. in the purchase of the flag and pole and the erection of the latter on the southwestern corner of the court house yard. He then introduced Judge Albert W. Johnson, of Lewisburg, who made the principal address of the evening. He was followed by Harry J. Farr, of Sayre, Pa., an officer in the State organization.

At the conclusion of the flag-raising exercises there was a band concert and festival on the vacant lot, on Howard street, near the public building. The gross receipts at the festival were \$146.00.

ESCAPED PRISONER SENT BACK TO PEN AND THREE PAROLES GRANTED

At a special session of court, on Saturday morning, William Marlin, who escaped from Rockview penitentiary on August 1st, 1890, and was captured at the home of Mrs. Margaret Gamber, at Saxton, Bedford county, on May 25th, was sentenced to pay the costs, a dollar fine and serve three to seven years in the penitentiary following the expiration of a similar sentence imposed in Cambria county after being convicted of burglary.

Austin Eisenman, the State College young man who, two weeks ago, passed two forged checks in DuBois, and who at the time was under parole in the Centre county court for passing a worthless check, was sentenced to pay the costs of bringing him back to Centre county and had his parole term extended to September, 1934, after the probation and parole officer made an earnest plea that he be given another chance, as he only recently passed his examination for promotion from the Sophomore to the Junior class at State College.

James B. Ball, a State College student, appeared before the court to answer to nine indictments charging him with passing worthless checks, all of them for quite small sums and none of them over five dollars. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to pay the costs in each case, make good the amount of the checks and placed on parole for two years. The costs in the nine cases entered against him amounted to \$161.75.

John Coble, of College township, who on February 18th, was sentenced to pay \$100 fine and serve a year in jail for violation of the liquor law, was granted a parole on condition he go to work and earn money with which to pay his fine and costs.

Henry (Crow) Brown, who, at the September sessions, 1931, was convicted of aggravated assault and battery for shooting a man in the arm, and who on November 9th was sentenced to pay the costs, a dollar fine and serve a year in the county jail, was granted a parole, and the court suggested that he keep sober in the future and move into State College where he can have police protection against the crowd that usually hovers about his domicile.

The fortieth annual commencement will be held at the Pennsylvania industrial school, at Huntingdon, at two o'clock on Monday afternoon. The speaker for the occasion will be Austin H. MacCormick, assistant director of the federal bureau of prisons. The public is invited.

TAX ON BANK CHECKS WILL GO INTO EFFECT TUESDAY, JUNE 21ST

The two cent tax on all checks, drafts and similar instruments will become effective next Tuesday, June 21st. While it will hit every man and woman who carries a checking account in any bank there will be one redeeming feature, the drawer of the check won't be bothered attaching a stamp to it. The bank simply charges up the two cents to the man's account and encloses a statement of the amount with the cancelled checks.

Just what effect the tax may have on the banking business is as yet problematical. Here in Bellefonte we have heard several people say they will cut down their banking business as much as possible by paying small bills in cash. In so doing they will of course save the two cents on each check, but city bankers figure that this will mean a time saver in every bank as it will cut out a lot of book-keeping necessitated by the large number of checks passed through banks for sums ranging from a few cents to one dollar.

Another redeeming feature in the new tax law is that counter checks drawn for cash and presented by the depositor are not subject to the tax. Hence if John Jones has half a dozen small bills he wants to pay he can go to the bank, issue a counter check, get money sufficient to pay the bills and then go around and settle. But in such cases he will then have to lose five or ten minutes at each place until the man he pays makes out a receipt.

The new postage rates will become effective at midnight July 5th. After that and until July 6th, 1934, unless the law is repealed in the meantime, it will cost three cents to mail a letter instead of two. The new regulations for airmail provide for eight cents for the first ounce and thirteen cents for each additional ounce. The present rate is five cents for the first ounce and five cents for each additional ounce.

These are the two taxes that the large majority of individuals will come into direct contact with. There will be a hundred more but they will be taken indirectly—that is, lifted in a way that the general public is not able to realize, like having your appendix taken out while under an anesthetic.

EQUITY CASE AGAINST THE NEIDIGH BROTHERS LONG DRAWN OUT

At a session of court, last Saturday morning, and also this week, further testimony was taken in the case of a number of residents of State College against the Neidigh Bros., an equity action to compel the defendants to cease operating their limestone quarries just south of that borough. That was the second and third sittings of the court to take testimony in the case and the end is not yet.

The complainants in the action allege that the heavy blastings at the quarries not only have loosened the plaster on the walls of their homes but the stones thrown by the blasts are dangerous to life and limb. They also denounce as a nuisance the noise and continuous vibration of the heavy machinery in the quarries.

While the writer is not informed as to whether the quarries had been opened and were in operation before the homes of the complainants were erected, or whether it was afterward that the industry was started, it would seem as if a man had certain rights in law to conduct most any kind of an enterprise on his own property, so long as it was not a detestable nuisance to the entire community. One thing is certain, the Neidigh Bros have no way of moving the ledge of rock which forms the basis of their operation to another location. If they are to be permitted to operate their quarries at all, it must be where the rock is embedded.

The County Commissioners have notified justices of the peace, constables and the county coroner that no costs will be paid in the future unless an itemized bill for same has been presented and approved by the Commissioner's attorney. Justices of the peace have also been cautioned against entering any and all prosecutions without merit, such as petty cases in which the defendant is discharged and the costs put upon the county. During 1931 justices of the peace, constables and the county coroner drew a total of about \$8,000 from the county treasury in costs, and the Commissioners hope to pare this sum down considerably during the current year.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

—A sale of 4.344 acres of mountain land in Noyes and Leidy townships, Clinton county, owned by W. A. Simpson estate, was made recently to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for \$10,399.52. The coal, clay, gas and oil rights were retained for 40 years.

—Fastening a stick of dynamite to his belt and setting it off with a dry-cell battery, Michael Kerusky, 38, unemployed miner, killed himself in the cellar of his home at Forrestville, Sunday. He was the father of nine children, and had been out of work for some months.

—When John Hanik went to Uniontown from Brownsville to withdraw his \$1,400 from the Citizens Title and Trust company, he learned for the first time that the bank closed three years ago and that his deposit had dwindled to \$560, the extent of the 40 per cent dividends paid.

—David Dugan, of Beaver, Pa., chided his 16-year-old daughter for staying out until midnight. She flew into a tantrum and broke his glasses. Dugan spanked her. The next day the girl charged her father with assault and battery. In court, Judge William A. McConnell condoned the spanking, discharged Dugan and placed the costs on the county.

—Three highwaymen blocked the road and robbed George Ashcroft, Altoona garage man, while he was driving to Pittsburgh last Thursday. They took \$99 in cash and several checks from him. The robbery occurred near Munster. Ashcroft's car was disabled so he could not pursue the bandits. They were in a car bearing Michigan license plates.

—Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kepler, of Shintown, near Renovo, from whom savings of a lifetime, approximately \$1,000, were stolen on May 22, are asking merchants and business men to be on the lookout for the money. Mr. Kepler is a Civil war veteran, and has been a resident of Shintown 64 years. The money taken was mostly in \$20 \$10 and \$5 bills, old currency, some gold back, and some dated as far back as 1890. In new currency there were \$20, \$10, \$5 and \$1 bills.

—Mrs. Adam Shaffer, aged 59 years, died Friday at her home at Maple Hill, near Montgomery, Lycoming county, of a fever which developed from the bite of a rat, which she suffered about five weeks ago. Mrs. Shaffer had been working in the garden at her home when a large rat bit her finger. It maintained its hold on her hand, until aided by her daughter, she was able to kill it. The wound was not considered serious for a time but later a fever developed, which caused the woman's death.

—There will be no more shaved heads at the Pennsylvania Industrial School Reformatory at Huntingdon. Trustees rescinded the rule requiring each new inmate to have his head shaved on admission and the hair trimmed short for the first six months. New arrivals also will be permitted to eat in the dining hall during the first six months instead of in their cells as customary heretofore. Smoking also is allowed, trustees ruled after superintendent John R. Craner recommended the non-smoking rule be eliminated.

—The department of revenue has announced that a new type sticker has been designed for the second semi-annual official motor vehicle inspection period which runs from July 1 to September 30. The new sticker will be ultramarine blue and gold. It will be waterproof, will not wrinkle and can be removed whole, as could the present stickers. The date of inspection will be punched on the sticker and there will be no writing or blurring. The number of the inspection station will be perforated on the stickers assigned to the various stations.

—Mrs. Lillian Smith, 28, shot and killed her husband, Wilbur, 29, of Derry, as he sat in an outbuilding back of their home on Saturday. Mrs. Smith told state police she didn't know she had killed her husband until about 20 minutes later when she opened the door to the building. The young woman said she had been shooting at rats with a .22 calibre rifle and that she recalled shooting in the general direction of the outbuilding. She expressed surprise that a .22 bullet could kill a man. State police are investigating. They indicated that Mrs. Smith will not be arrested.

—Edwin J. Lapham, 33, of Cleveland, a school teacher in that city, while attempting to put up an aerial for his mother's radio, at Ridgway, was electrocuted on Monday afternoon while his wife stood nearby. Lapham, with his wife, had gone to Ridgway Friday on his vacation to visit his mother. He threw a wire over a 2300-volt line of the West Penn Power company, in endeavoring to run it from a tree on the hillside opposite the home. The coil of wire was around his right arm. His wife saw him fall and rushed to his side. She was stunned as she grabbed the wire, but escaped serious injury.

—In a packing-house hotel that served as his home near Broughton, Allegheny county, Michael Hussie, a former miner, starved to death. His body was found on Sunday. Hussie had been unable to find work for two years. He was 60 years old and in recent months had been forced to live off the bounty of other near-starving miners out of work. But food became so scarce the others could help no longer. The last visitor to Hussie's shack said he had a crust of bread and two onions to eat. That was a week ago. The old man was not seen for four days and on Sunday a friend found him dead. The coroner reported he had starved to death.

—The Rev. David Y. Brouse, of Altoona, instituted proceedings in the York county courts claiming damages totaling \$8,062 from Leo Redling, proprietor of the New Way Dry Cleaning company, of York, as the result of an automobile accident which occurred in York on February 19, at the intersection of Pershing avenue and Princess street. The plaintiff claims that he sustained contusions and lacerations of the head, broken ribs, and seriously sprained back, contusions and lacerations of the legs and other injuries internal and external. The injuries, the plaintiff claims, prevented him from attending to his duties for a period of nine weeks. Rev. Brouse, a Methodist minister, was at one time located on the Pine Grove Mills charge.