

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Sunbury.—Frederick Alcorn Hays, supervisor of the Sunbury & Lewis-town divisions of the Pennsylvania railroad, was retired at the age of 65.
Freeland.—Joseph Stoffa, a fire boss in the No. 5 colliery of the Jeddo-Highland Coal company was burned about the hands and face by an explosion of fire damp which he encountered in a chamber where no gas previously existed.
Williamsport.—City police raided a house in the foreign quarters, and after arresting three men and a woman for fighting discovered a homemade still and a quantity of raisins sufficient to make three barrels of hooch, together with some of the product which had caused the fight that attracted the officers.
Chester.—Two strangers forced their way into the home of John Patutus, on the Chester pike at Leiperville, where Mrs. Patutus and a small child were alone.
Pittsburgh.—District Attorney Rowland filed information against 76 persons in connection with charges of conspiracy and violation of election laws at a primary election May 18, 1920, in what is known as the "strip" district in Pittsburgh, extending along the Allegheny river.
Athens.—Charged with furnishing cigarettes to his son, L. C. Cowles, a hotelman here, has been held for a hearing.
Milroy.—The gorilla story that was better than an organized curfew in keeping those of tender years at home nights in the country districts exploded when Bill Bargo found a raccoon in a cornfield along the foot of the Seven Mountains toting a bear trap supposed to have been stolen by the gorilla from Will John Henry more than two months ago.
Connellsville.—Sustaining a fracture of his right leg on the same day he was discharged from a local hospital following recovery from a similar injury, Louis Sline, aged 13, died in the Allegheny General Hospital.
Uniontown.—The body of Frank Agers, aged 42, of York Run, six miles south of here, was found with his skull crushed.
Uniontown.—Highly pleased with the treatment he is receiving at the Uniontown Hospital, Leon J. Houze, a patient, has announced that he will donate all the glass necessary for the addition to that institution which is being planned and for which about \$300,000 has been raised by public subscription.
York.—Clerk of the Courts Smith refused to grant a marriage license to William F. Mills, colored, and Louise Deardorf, white.
Pittsburgh.—Walter Lyon was inducted into office as United States district attorney for Western Pennsylvania by Judge Orr.
Benton.—Kicking saw dust near here, Fred Hartman's leg was caught and almost severed before another workman could stop the saw.
Hazleton.—Armed guards are patrolling the square on Broad street on which four of Hazleton's banks are located.

Elizabethtown.—Ell Rensel is in a critical condition from being kicked by a horse he was shoeing.
Kane.—The American Window Glass company's plant has been closed, throwing 250 men out of work.
Avis.—The New York Central locomotive works here have closed again, throwing 580 men out of employment.
Brownsville.—John Schubert, of this place, was shot in his right lung by an older brother, who was cleaning a revolver.
Sharon.—John McCaulay was fatally burned and David Holman seriously burned when fire destroyed a one-story frame building in which they lived in Brookfield township, near here.
Altoona.—To ascertain whether near-beer can be sold in Pennsylvania without a liquor license, information has been made against the proprietors of two of Altoona's hotels, the Lafayette and the Schilling, both of whom were refused licenses recently.
Carlisle.—Two Indian youths, Dallas T. Laydon and Martin S. Richardson, who were convicted of joyriding in the automobile of Solomon Hancock, were fined by Judge Maust \$50 each and costs.
Sharon.—Burglars looted the Pennsylvania railroad station at West Middlesex, three miles south of here, and fired the structure, which burned to the ground.
New Castle.—Mrs. Bessie M. Anderson is the first woman juror to actually sit in a jury in the Lawrence county courts and take part in the returning of a verdict.
New Castle.—New Castle in the manual training department of the city school will have more than 1000 bird houses in an exhibition to be held here during the first week of April.
Mt. Carmel.—If any one gives or sells "Riley" Quirk, of Exchange, a drink of booze in the future he will be prosecuted.
Latrobe.—Mrs. Michael Zero, of Bradenville, who was badly burned when she attempted to start a fire by using oil, died in the hospital here.
Uniontown.—Now that this city with the other section of Fayette county is supposed to be "dry," the demand for drinking fountains has been so persistent that the city council has decided to install five in the main section of the city.
Harrisburg.—The state highway department announced award of contract for a section of roadway connecting Doylestown and Easton, to Frank J. Groman & Sons, of Bethlehem.
Spruce Hill.—George Brubaker, 60 years old, committed suicide by hanging in the barn at his home.
Atglen.—Mr. and Mrs. Dallas D. Phillips celebrated their 53d wedding anniversary by entertaining their children, grandchildren and friends.
Altoona.—When Constable L. M. Rhoades attempted to stop a jockey who was riding without a light, he was shot above the left eye and probably fatally wounded.
Northumberland.—This place turned over \$715.45 to the Near East relief fund.
Lebanon.—A Rotary Club has been organized with E. J. Fellow as secretary.

IS WALTER JOHNSON THROUGH AS HURLER?

Question Worries Admirers of Great Washington Star.

Big Swede Put Up Game Fight With Father Time Last Season and Manager Griffith Finally Sent Him to Kansas Farm.

Will Walter Johnson, star right-handed pitcher of the American league, be able to stage a comeback? That is the question followers of the national game are asking. The "Old Master" put up a game fight with Father Time last season and it appeared as if the latter had the edge. Johnson started to hit the toboggan early in the season and this caused Manager Clark Griffith no end of worry. The former pride and most effective twirler of the Washington staff did not appear on the mound as often as in other years. He had not been winning games at his usual rate, and Griffith diagnosed his trouble as the much-to-be-feared "sore arm."

Every time the speed king warmed up last season the strange, dull pain was still in his arm and he was useless. As all treatments seemed to have failed, Old Fox Griffith gambled with fate and with arms. He sent Johnson out to his farm in the hope that a rest would do the mighty right arm more good than any amount of surgery.

Last season was the first year since 1909 that Johnson failed to turn in less than 20 victories. He had won eight and lost ten when he was compelled to quit with the arm ailment. Johnson joined the Washington club



Walter Johnson.

in 1907. In 1910 he started the baseball world, then worshipping at the feet of Christy Mathewson, by turning in 25 victories. That was the beginning of his career as the most effective twirler in either league.

Since that memorable campaign of 1910, Walter has reached the pinnacle of his success by winning 36 games in a single season. Each year he has allowed his opponents less runs than any other pitcher in the National circuit. He has been among the leaders of the league in the number of strikeouts and consecutive scoreless innings. In 1919 his work was below his standard. He won only 20 games, indicating that Father Time was beginning to get in his fine work.

Squibs of Sport

The United States Golf association has 159 active members.
Grass tennis courts will be as extinct as the dodo in ten years, says Tilden.
The Ruby Football Union of New Zealand may entertain a French team in 1922.
Gilmour Dobie will remain as head coach of the Cornell football team until 1923.
Tom Lipton wants in on King Al's yacht derby. Tom would add salt to any deep-sea event.
University of Michigan looms up as one of the strongest track teams in the western conference.
Strangler Lewis insists he'll use the headlock in all title matches. Business of protecting his crown.
Jack Monkley is in favor of running men over plowed ground. He says it is necessary to change the style of training cross-country men.

TRIS SPEAKER AGAIN MANAGER OF CHAMPION INDIANS OF CLEVELAND



Tris Speaker, who will direct the work of the Cleveland club again this year, has shown marked ability to lead men and match wits with the older and more experienced leaders of American league teams. In his brief regime at the head of the Indians in 1919 he had great success with the team, Cleveland giving Chicago a hard run for the championship honors. Last year Speaker had his team in the thick of the pennant race from the opening day of the season.

Speaker succeeded to the management of the Cleveland club on July 19, 1919. He had been Lee Fohl's lieutenant in directing the play of the Indians and when Fohl did not have the success which Owner James C. Dunn felt he should have had a change was decided upon. Speaker had previously declined to take the position but when he was assured that his refusal to take the place would not result in the retention of Fohl Tris accepted. He has since been in charge of the team.

Speaker was born in 1888 at Hubbard City, Tex., and he still makes his home in that little town. After playing on a school team in his home town Speaker entered the Fort Worth Polytechnic Institute and was a star of the team representing that institution in 1905. In 1906 he played his first professional ball with the Cleburne team of the North Texas league. In 1907 he was with Houston of the Texas league and batted .314. He was purchased by the Boston American league club in 1907, turned back in the spring to the Little Rock club of the Southern association and repurchased in late summer by the Red Sox.

Baseball Notes

Usually baseball men don't like to stay on the bench.
Donie Bush is picking the Tigers as a sure first-division club.
Indiana university may send a baseball nine to Japan next year.
Judge Landis' critics want to take away his national commission.
The New York Americans may not open their new grounds until 1923.
Jake Daubert says no differences exist between himself and the Red Sox management.
Every manager in the American league is hot on the trail of southpaws this spring.
Orval Overall, ex-Cub pitcher, has purchased one of the biggest lemon groves in California.
President Navin has taken the rubber band off the bank roll and so far Cobb has spent lavishly but wisely.
Uncle Wilbert Robinson hasn't made a move to strengthen the Brooklyn club outside of the catching department.

IF YOU TRY

How good are you today? Were you a better man ten years ago than you are now? You can be just as good again if you develop a kick in your work.
Examples of George Chaney and Rocky Kansas prove conclusively it can be done.
Both had climbed to their zenith and then gone back because they didn't remember nature's law of compensation.
Today Chaney and Kansas are showing a punch after the world believed their stars had set—because they got in step.
You always may be what you once might have been—if you try.

FOLWELL SIGNS AGAIN



R. C. Folwell, a former University of Pennsylvania football star, who served as coach for the United States Naval academy eleven in the season just closed, has signed a contract with the Navy Athletic association to handle the Annapolis team again next fall.

SHOOTING CRAPS IS BARRED

Manager Huggins of Yankees Refuses to Permit Players to Indulge in Alluring Game.
Miller Huggins, manager of the Yankees, issued a statement that his players will not be permitted to shoot craps the coming season. He says loss of large sums of money tends to upset discipline. Furthermore, it takes the players' minds off their work and keeps them up late at night.

ROBINSON AS YOUTH PLAYED WITH TENER

His Battery Mate Became Governor of Pennsylvania.

Played With Baltimore When John McGraw, Hughie Jennings, Keeler, Kelly and Others Made Ned Hanlon's Orioles Famous.

Manager Wilbert Robinson, who for the second time in five years led the Brooklyn National league club's players successfully as pennant winners, was born at Hudson, Mass., 56 years ago. For 36 years Robinson has been identified with the national game.

Away back in 1884 he was catcher for the Haverhill (Mass.) team, for which at that time John Kinley Tener was one of the club's pitching staff. During 1884 and the following season Tener and Robinson proved to be an effective battery. Many years later Pitcher Tener was elected governor of Pennsylvania and afterward became the chief executive of the National Baseball league.

In 1886 Robinson joined the Philadelphia Athletics of the American association and in his first major league game as catcher, scored the only run made by his team, which was beaten 4 to 1 by the New York Metropolitan.

Robinson's fame as a catcher and batter as well as a fast baserunner is closely allied with Baltimore where he spent many years of his baseball career. Back in the 90's with McGraw, Jennings, Keeler, Kelly and others, Robinson established an enviable reputation as a great player when Ned Hanlon's famous Orioles won the championship three years in succession.

After McGraw became manager of the New York Giants in 1902, Robinson remained in Baltimore and played for several seasons with the International league club there. In the development of pitchers Robinson was singularly successful and for several seasons he assisted his old friend McGraw in this department. He



Manager Wilbert Robinson.

made several trips to the spring training camps of the Giants after he had ceased to be an active player. As a pitcher's coach with the New York Nationals he brought out Rube Marquard, who contributed his share to the winning of three successive pennants in 1911, '12 and '13.

Robinson began his management of the Brooklyn team in 1914 and two years later made them champions of their league. He persuaded President Ebbets to secure the services of Marquard and Marmax when these pitchers were on their way to the minor leagues and they are still with him now that he has landed his club for the second time as a big factor in the world series.

Never a martinet with his men Robinson seems to have innate power of controlling his players, displaying a sort of fatherly interest in them and by establishing a bond of confidence and camaraderie with them gets the best that is in every member of his team either on or off the playing field.

Sporting Notes

Harvard has scheduled eight in-crosse games.
California has abandoned all efforts to schedule a football game with some Eastern team for next season.
Capt. Bob Roper has whaled both Brennan and Martin. About time to recognize him as a contender.
Coach William J. Bingham, Harvard's new track coach, has begun a new system of developing his team.
John Heaphy, captain-elect of the Boston college football team, has left school because of scholastic difficulties.
Newport and New York have staged the national lawn tennis singles championship ever since its inception, 40 years ago.
The national cup soccer final will be played in the East this spring. For the first time Bethlehem Steel Company F. C. will not be a finalist.