

# PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

**Ligonier.**—The Park Hotel and two acres of ground have been purchased by the Hungarian Reformed Federation of America for an orphanage.

**Milton.**—More than \$1000 has been subscribed for a public playground.

**Craigton.**—Burglars entered the plant of the Crucible Fuel company and escaped with cash and valuables estimated at \$4000.

**Milton.**—Mills went to Camp Devitt, near Allenwood, and entertained 40 former service men, victims of tuberculosis, with vaudeville and a smoker.

**Bridgeport.**—In an effort to relieve the crowded conditions of the public schools and to care for next year's increase, the directors have decided to ask the voters for permission to borrow \$100,000 for the erection of a new high school, with an auditorium and other modern facilities.

**Chambersburg.**—A jury in common pleas court awarded Mrs. R. A. Sotter \$7850 damages against the Chambersburg, Green Castle & Waynesboro Electric Railway company for the death of her husband, killed a year ago in an accident on the line, of which he was superintendent.

**Mauch Chunk.**—Mrs. Adam Anthony was probably fatally injured when she fell from a second story roof of her home while taking in a washing. In her descent she struck the door of an outhouse and broke it, then landed on a stone floor, falling 25 feet in all. She was taken to the Palmerton Hospital, where it was found that she had sustained a broken leg, injury of the spine, contusions of the body, concussion of the brain and probably a fractured skull.

**Coatesville.**—This city is to have a "White Way." The officials have passed an ordinance which authorizes the installation of 10 lamps on the Lincoln Highway from the east to west city lines. The lights are to be erected on poles in clusters, similar to those in Allentown and Easton.

**Pittsburgh.**—R. A. Balph, president of the Allegheny County Bar Association, died at his home here. He was 68 years old.

**Reading.**—Two masked men attempted to hold up A. H. Seidel, the whole crew of a one-man car of the Reading Transit company, opposite the Reading Railway roundhouse on North Sixth street. They furnished a revolver at him, but Seidel, instead of throwing up his hands, gave the control lever one sweep and proceeded full speed ahead, while the bandits had to jump from the track. Enraged, they fired several shots and fled.

**York.**—Fired upon by an assailant from outside his home as he was preparing to retire, Norman Grimes, 65 years old, is in the York Hospital with a bullet wound in his right leg. Tilman Bailey was arrested as the man who fired the shot, Grimes alleging that they had difficulty about a woman. Both are colored.

**Chester.**—John Hughes attempted suicide by attaching a hose to the gas jet, but his wife's timely discovery prevented the man's death. Hughes formerly was connected with the city health department, but has been out of employment for some time and financial worries made him despondent, according to friends.

**Pittsburgh.**—Judge Shaffer, in common pleas court, refused an application for an injunction to restrain the city from enforcing its daylight saving ordinance. The application was filed by a committee of labor union men and a number of motion picture theatre owners.

**Greensburg.**—Joseph Kun's, 77 years old, of Deweyville, who fell down stairs at his home, died at the Westmoreland Hospital.

**Lewistown.**—Mayor Case has issued orders to the police for the strict enforcement of the local curfew law.

**Sunbury.**—The Chamber of Commerce gained more than 300 new members in a campaign conducted for two days.

**Harrisburg.**—Studies of the laws of Pennsylvania relative to the poor, the dependent and others coming under the head of public charges will be started at the State Legislative Reference Bureau under legislation passed at the recent session. This will be in presentation to the next legislature of proposed laws and of a codification of such as are considered valuable. A preliminary survey has shown a mass of legislation on these subjects, some of the laws still on the books dating from Colonial times, while for decades successive legislatures added to them. Many of these laws are obsolete and will be recommended for repeal, while it is likely some general act with suitable provision for administration of almshouses and similar establishments according to classes of counties or districts will be drafted.

**Hazleton.**—Oscar Paisley, aged 23, of Milnesville, died at the Hazleton State Hospital from blood poisoning caused by picking a pimple.

**Hazleton.**—As Mrs. John Watson was on her way home from a theatre a thief snatched her purse, containing \$35, and escaped.

**Lancaster.**—Infestation of caterpillars has started in the southern end of the county.

**Holidaysburg.**—Fifty men resumed work at the shops of the Pennsylvania railroad, the first to be taken back since the suspension started in November.

**Uniontown.**—As a result of war among the Greek shoe shine parlors here, the price of a shine has crept about 300 per cent. in the last few days. Heretofore, the Saturday and Sunday and the holiday shine cost 15 cents. Then came the announcement that the shine would be 10 cents, and now one of the leading West Main street parlors announced that the price would go back to normalcy and a nickel. The feeling among the bootblacks is such that the price may be forced even lower. Uniontown has about six or eight shine parlors.

**Harrisburg.**—The Scranton Railway company has advanced fares from 7 to 8 cents on local traffic, effective May 22, with reduced rates for strip tickets, according to a notice filed with the public service commission. A toll road increase of 100 per cent is reported by the Wrightsville and Chancelor Turnpike company.

**Philadelphia.**—Frederick Seward, 15 years old, died in the Woman's Homeopathic Hospital from blood poisoning, resulting from injuries he received four years ago, when he fell on a picket fence in a school yard near his home. The boy had been a patient in the hospital ever since.

**York.**—With the exception of four, who refused to be vaccinated, all of the guests caught in Hotel Penn when the place was quarantined because of smallpox have been released. Sutton Reece, who has the smallpox, will be removed to the county sanitary hospital.

**York.**—From fifteen to twenty years in the Eastern Penitentiary was the sentence imposed by Judge Poss upon Charles Baker, the young negro, who was convicted in court of second-degree murder. Counsel for the defense had asked the court to be lenient because of the prisoner's previous good character.

**Bethlehem.**—A committee of fifty citizens was appointed to conduct this year's community chest campaign for \$125,000 to be applied to local charities. The drive will open on May 16 to continue for a week. Last year's campaign was for \$150,000.

**Mount Carmel.**—When starting a chute at Richards colliery, Thomas Neary, 32 years old, and Earl Snyder, 22 years old, were buried under a rush of mud and water and nearly suffocated.

**Harrisburg.**—Activities of the state police in March resulted in the arrest of 832 persons for various offenses and the recovery of stolen property valued at \$91,432, according to a report by Superintendent Adams. The police made 142 more arrests than in February, and the stolen property recovered surpassed the figures for February by \$56,690. The largest number of arrests was made by the Lancaster troop, with 217. The Greensburg troop arrested 177 persons, the Wyoming troop 151, the Pottsville 127, and the Butler 160. Stolen automobiles worth \$24,650 were recovered, and the Pottsville police detail collected miscellaneous stolen property worth \$65,927.

**York.**—C. Ernest Bischoff, a world war veteran, is now editor of the Spring Grove Applet. Bischoff during the world war served overseas in the artillery.

**Chambersburg.**—What growing things were not killed by the recent cold snap were torn to shreds around Marion, a few miles south of here, by a terrific hail storm. Hail stones covered the ground and ruined all vegetable gardens.

**Carlisle.**—Hurled seven feet across a room from the center of a group of students in a dormitory, Charles Markel, of Mill Hall, a Dickinson College freshman, was knocked unconscious in an electric storm. The others were not injured.

**Pittsburgh.**—The case against Charles Dietz brought here by federal agents of the Maryland district, charged with having forged a signature to a money order at Altoona, was dismissed in United States court.

**Altoona.**—George C. Tompkins, of Philadelphia, twice convicted of murder in the Cambria county courts and recently convicted in the Blair courts when a change of venue was granted, will go to the electric chair in the week of May 23. Tompkins, now in the Blair county jail, was convicted of murdering Edmund I. Humphreys, his wife, Caroline, and son, Edmund I. Jr., at Carrollton, Cambria county, on July 15, 1917.

**Hazleton.**—Committees composed of the leading business and fraternal men of this place were named to handle the drive May 11, 12 and 13, to raise \$15,000 for Boy Scout work.

**Mahanoy Plane.**—Ephraim Lytle, 41 years old, of this place, was found dead at the side of a neighbor's residence. It is alleged he fell from a porch while asleep, breaking his neck.

**Freeland.**—Master builders here granted carpenters a wage increase from 60 to 75 cents an hour. Carpenters were holding out for a 87 1/2-cent rate, but accepted the lesser advance.

**Marion Heights.**—Shanto Kovatch, of this place, suffered several stab wounds of the head and face, while Anthony Antish is in jail, the result of a knife fight over the hand of a young girl who recently arrived from Europe.

**Northumberland.**—Madlock Fry, 78 years old, of this place, dropped dead as he walked in the garden at his home.

**Hanover.**—Silas T. Kerns, an expert color printer, an employe of the Haffelinger wallpaper factory, of this place, met a sudden death when he was caught in a machine. He is survived by a widow and a son.

**Mount Carmel.**—After being entombed behind a rush of coal eighteen hours in the Scott mine, Alex Burdock, Paul Wasser, Anthony Peacock and Alex Bach were rescued without a scratch.

## FOUR CLUBS GROUPED IN NATIONAL LEAGUE

### New York Giants Look to Be the Strongest Team in Race.

**Pirates Picked to Run Second Because of Superior Fielding—St. Louis Cardinals Expected to Finish Big Upset.**

Four clubs are grouped as pennant contenders in the National league, writes Dean Snyder in Chicago Post. The New York Giants, with the best infield they had in years, an outfield possibly stronger than last season, and a better pitching staff, leads the four-team pack. They're a harmony club. They've got a punch. Pittsburgh looks a close second. They're the best fielding club. But they finished last in stick work in 1920. Gibson turned over three of his best batters for Maranville—a .268 hitter.

Brooklyn is questionable. They've had a poor break in spring training. Also had five holdouts. Yet Uncle Robbie has the best of it in pitching when they're going. The club is rated third this year.

A surprise may come from the St. Louis Cardinals. They'll worry the leaders every time they meet. They can hit. Stock is needed badly in case Torporcer falters. The pitching is problematical. Fourth place.

Cincinnati, Chicago and Boston make the second group.

The Reds, with Roush and Groh back, should lead the procession. Pat Moran has cracked the whip this spring. Kopf will be missed at short. Bohne is not a Heine Groh, but he's an asset. They're a good ball club.

The Chicago Cubs are placed sixth. They're a second division fielding and hitting club. Alexander is the ace pitcher. Vanglin is a good pitcher until his support kicks out. Tyler is a question mark. Recruits may help. There is a hole at first.

Boston is an experiment. The club is stacked with youngsters. It may prove a surprise.

Bill Donovan is conceded the same stall the Phillies clinched last year. The infield is weak at first, second and third. If Donovan climbs a notch higher than the cellar he'll be a miracle man.

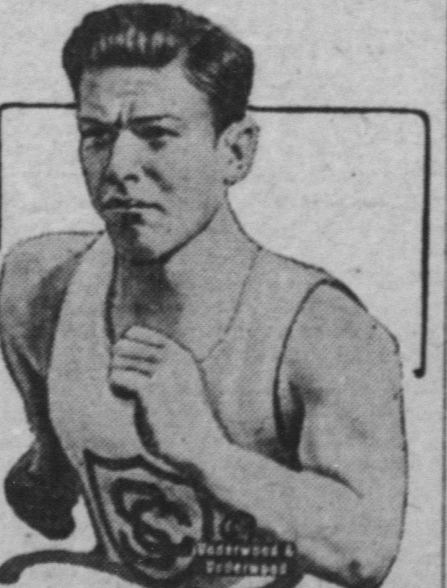
## PADDOCK EXPLAINS RUNNING

### California Sprint King Tells How He Happened to Become "Speediest Man on Earth."

Charles W. Paddock, University of Southern California sprint king, who just broke the world's record for the 220-yard dash, explains how he managed to become the "speediest man on the face of the earth."

"There is no secret to it," he says. "My success is attributed to good condition and a powerful leg drive."

"I run with my legs ahead of me, not behind, as most men do. To develop a strong drive and a perfect stride I always try to keep my feet and legs in front of me. Too many



Charles W. Paddock.

runners make the mistake of throwing their bodies forward. The faster they try to go, the more they tilt themselves, and consequently they lose their driving power."

## CHARITY GAME AT DALLAS

The annual "charity" game at Dallas, played this spring by Cleveland Indians and New York Giants on March 20, drew an overflow crowd of 12,000 to the Dallas ball park. The receipts go to Dallas charities and amounted to around \$25,000. The game was worth the money. Tris Speaker tied the score in the ninth with a homer at 2 and 2 and before the Giants could settle themselves from the shock the Indians put over another marker.

## INCREASE STAKE TO \$20,000

Charter Oak Event Replaced by Greater Charter Oak Stake—Divided into Three Events.

The Charter Oak stake for \$10,000, feature of the grand circuit races at Harford, Conn., will be replaced this year by the Greater Charter Oak stake, purse \$20,000. It will be divided into three events—2:12 trot, 2:08 trot and 2:04 trot.

## CATCHER PERKINS OF ATHLETICS IS SMARTEST BACKSTOP IN GAME



Ralph (Cy) Perkins.

A Chicago baseball critic has paid Catcher Ralph Perkins of the Philadelphia Athletics a great compliment. He says Perkins is the smartest catcher in the game, "barring Ray Schalk." Remember the critic who admits so much comes from Chicago, which is Schalk's habitat. Otherwise he might not insert that "barring" stuff. Taking critics generally it probably will be found that quite a number of them would vote Perkins as the best catcher in the American league when it comes to handling pitchers, youngster though he is. He has done wonders with Connie Mack's assortment of twirlers and Mack and his lieutenants give the catcher his full due of credit for it.—Sporting News.

## EIGHT WISE RULES FOR GOLF PLAYERS

The wise golfer cultivates good nature on the links instead of harrowing the feelings of his fellow golfers.

A ball on the green is worth two in the bush. The grouch is as out of place on the links as is the proverbial bull in a china shop.

When you make a good drive never boast—make another. Golfers love a good loser—some are even willing to contribute to his enjoyment by playing a game with him.

If a golfer will persist in growling, ask him what he paid for his license. Some golfers should order a double portion of atmosphere in order to use both club and tongue in safety.

When Dame Nature and Human Nature hobnob together Good Nature says "Me, too."

## WAS BREAKING IN NEW MITT

Excuse Given by Hooper for Dropping Fly Ball—Must Be Done Some Time, Says Bodie.

Some years ago Harry Hooper, right fielder of the Boston Red Sox, purchased a new glove and used it during a part of the world's series with the Giants. In one of the games he happened to drop a fly ball of the kind he usually ate alive.

On his return to the bench Manager Jake Stahl asked him how he came to make the error, and Hooper's excuse was that he had been wearing his new glove.

This was related later at a hotel, one of the players laughingly saying:

"Brooklyn Twirlers Worrying Robby"—Head Line. They didn't worry the Indians very much last fall.

Gene Paulette, recent pupil in Judge Landis' school for better baseball, will play semi-pro ball at Massillon, O.

The Dodgers ought to lead the league in double plays this year, having two infielders for every position.

The San Francisco club has released infielder Jimmy Brannigan to the Petersburg club of the Virginia league.

The squirrels may be interested in noting that George Baumgardner, the former Brownie, has signed with Joplin.

"Duster" Malls may have "Rabbit Ears" for hearing remarks on the sideline, but cotton is a very cheap commodity.

Crooked baseball players are learning that Judge Landis' punishments are not based on what he said about bank clerks.

The Oakland club announces that it has given the Detroit club a formal option on Pitcher Russell Arlett, good until September 1.

Ty Cobb is using the honor system on his ball club. "Give the bad ones plenty of rope and they quickly hang themselves," is his motto.

The veteran Ralph Stroud has changed his mind about playing out-law ball in California and will again pitch for the Salt Lake team.

Seattle and Los Angeles baseball teams went 22 innings before Seattle finally won by a 12 to 8 count. The game was played at Los Angeles.

Rome has heard about Babe Ruth's prowess as a home-run hitter. Babe has been invited to visit Italy and instruct Caesar's descendants in athletics.

## COAST LEAGUE STARS IN PENNANT BATTLE

### Mitchell and Johnson Regarded as Finished Players.

Must Travel in High to Maintain Reputation of a League Which Sent Many Crack Infielders to Major League Clubs.

In spite of the fact that the White Sox scoundrel threw two former Coast league shortstops into the discard, the infielders of that position who learned their art on Coast league diamonds are going to play big parts in the American and National league pennant races.

Two more shortstops are being contributed by the Coast to the majors this year.

They are Johnny Mitchell, the Vernon Tigers' infielder, who was the key-stone on defense for Vernon the past three years, and Ernie Johnson, who piloted the Salt Lake Bees last season.

Neither player comes within the terms of youngster, Johnson was with the Browns, and before that was a member of the Feds. He jumped Los Angeles to join the Feds and it was in Los Angeles he really learned to play the sport.

The pair going to the majors are regarded as finished ball players.

They will have to travel in high to uphold the reputation of a league which sent star shortstops as Hollocher, Terry, Bancroft, Peckinpaugh, Olson, Ward, Lisberg and Weaver to the big show.

Terry was with Pittsburgh year before last and Barney Dreyfus let him go for the waiver price. The Cubs grabbed him to play second, but when Hollocher was out of the game the former Angel was used at short.

Hollocher is a .300 hitter in the majors and covers a world of territory. Dave Bancroft at various times has been touted as the best shortstop in the National league. Another ex-Portland man who plays short, or any other place he is needed, is Ivan Olson.

## PRESIDENT "FOUND" COOPER

### Star Southpaw of Pirates Can Thank Chief Executive for Being in National League.

Wilbur Cooper, star left-hander for the Pittsburgh Pirates, can thank President Harding for his being in the major leagues, for the President



Wilbur Cooper.

secured Cooper his first big league tryout. It was when Cooper was first starting as pitcher with the Marion (O.) team that President Harding became acquainted with him.

Mr. Harding was one of the principal backers of the Marion club. He decided that Cooper was destined to become a great pitcher and he urged the Cleveland club to give him a chance. Cooper was given a trial with the Indians, and was being dropped when Pittsburgh grabbed him. He soon developed into a star and much of the Pirates' pennant hopes are founded on him.

## LEW TENDLER'S WIFE AFRAID OF TIN EARS

Tin ears don't worry Lew Tandler, Philadelphia lightweight. They do his wife.

"I don't intend ever to have 'em," says Tandler, the fighter. "When I train for a bout I wear ear muffs."

"When I'm in the ring I do the protecting myself."

Tandler, the newsboy of a few years ago, is now a wealthy Quakertown landlord at the age of twenty-one.

He owns a three-story brick home, a smart haberdashery, and is worth over \$100,000.

## MORE STANDS FOR BADGERS

### Seating Capacity to Be Increased to 25,000 Before Opening of 1921 Football Season.

The seating capacity of the University stadium at Camp Randall will be increased to 25,000 before the opening of the football season by the erection of a \$40,000 concrete stand with 4,000 seats. Lockers and training quarters will be provided under the stand.