

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Pittsburgh.—Michael Mazlag, a foreman employed by a glass company, was shot and killed while working in the garden at his home here. County detectives are searching for a man who two weeks ago was discharged by Mazlag. The dead man was married and leaves a widow and seven small children.

York.—Scarcity of orders for river coal has caused the fleet of dredges at work in the Susquehanna river opposite Goldsboro to suspend operations. Until recently there had been a profitable demand for the fine screenings from the mines, washed down and deposited in the river bed.

Beaver Meadow.—A carnival which showed here and drew automobile parties from 100 miles around because of dances in which several young women performed was driven from Carbon county by Constable Betnels, who forced cancellation of other engagements.

Bloomsburg.—Seized with a choking spell three months ago, Mrs. Ell Bredbenner, of McAuley, lost her voice, and though nearly all of the doctors in this vicinity have been consulted and specialists in several cities visited, she is still unable to talk.

Hazleton.—Feeding his herd of fourteen goats was a simple matter for Michael Yeshina, living on the outskirts of town, until the police broke up his system of taking a fence palling off so the animals could get into a nice vegetable garden for the day. Mayor Heidenreich collected a fine of \$42 for one day's grazing.

Fayette City.—Joseph Yapiz, a miner, reported that \$8000, with which he had expected to purchase a home, was missing from his room in a boarding house. He told the authorities that he was to be married within a few days and that he drew the money from the bank in the expectation of purchasing a home. Yapiz said that he would give a reward of \$300 for the apprehension of the proprietress of the boarding house, who, it is alleged, disappeared with her three children shortly before it was discovered that the money was missing.

Pottstown.—Rudolph Mikula, superintendent of a large bakery here, was attacked by four men on a bridge on Washington street, robbed of \$17 and thrown to the railroad tracks, thirty feet below. He sustained a fractured ankle and other injuries. He is unable to give a description of his assailants on account of the darkness.

York.—Falling head foremost into a cesspool, Stuart, a four-year-old son of Oscar Hunter, met a terrible death at his home at New Freedom. The little fellow had been playing in the yard and disappeared. A search revealed his body in the pool.

Pottsville.—After Charles Alberts, a 7-year-old boy, caught his head in the opening of a sewer it took the city highway department and several policemen to release him. The boy's head was wedged between stones and the more he struggled the tighter the hold upon him became. It was necessary to pry the stones loose with a crowbar before he could be released.

Reading.—The Reading Iron company has announced a general reduction in the selling prices of its tubular goods, nails and bar iron, the third since January 1, and a new scale of wages to go into effect about July 16 for men now employed and when operations are resumed. None of the mills of the company is in operation at the present time, but the hope is expressed that the large reductions made in the selling prices of its products will bring in some business and enable the company to start its mills on part time in the near future.

Locustdale.—Burglars stole \$50 at the home of Clarence Gillespie, of this place.

Erie.—Dr. R. O. Miller of this place, has been appointed county medical director for Erie county.

Brownville.—Falling into a bathtub, Mary Bowman, aged 16, was so badly scalded that she died in the Brownsville General Hospital.

Lewistown.—William Anders, of San Francisco, is jail here, charged with having robbed the C. W. Bobb home, of Beavertown, of \$62.

Upper Lehigh.—Lightning which struck the spire of the Upper Lehigh Presbyterian church broke off two feet of the top and knocked it two blocks into the flower garden of Adam Lesser.

Harrisburg.—Because of the high rents demanded, the project for a sub-postoffice in Harrisburg's West End has been abandoned.

Milton.—Taxpayers here have petitioned the Northumberland commissioners to take action looking toward the establishment of a prison farm.

Northumberland.—Falling while hanging up clothes at her home here, Mrs. Arthur M. Owens suffered a broken arm and a sprained right leg.

Harrisburg.—Coal production in the Central Pennsylvania bituminous field for June was 55,964 carloads, against 55,255 in May.

Pittsburgh.—What Pittsburgh health officials declared was the first case of pellagra in the history of the city was recorded. Mrs. Catherine Joseph is the victim.

York.—In great peril of being hacked to pieces by the knives of his mowing machine when the five mules pulling it ran away, Jacob Kauffman, a farmer of Lower Windsor township, saved his life by leaping from his seat. However, he was caught in a chain and dragged through a field for a distance of forty feet. Kauffman was unconscious when picked up, but he is expected to recover.

Pottsville.—Samuel Evans, of Camden, N. J., shortstop of the Minersville baseball club, died here from the effect of drinking a glass of ice water on the Fourth of July, which so disabled him that he had to be taken out of the game that day and taken to the Pottsville Hospital. Evans' mother and his stepfather, George McCann, of Camden, were with him when he died. Evans was much overheated when he drank the water.

Norristown.—Melancholy over the death of her sister and fearful she would lose her money, is thought to have impelled Miss Mary E. Cowden, 65 years to end her life with illuminating gas. According to Mrs. Elizabeth Frankfield, 86, who lived with her, the end of the tube from a gas stove was in her mouth when she found her.

Williamsport.—The first evidences of stream pollution in the West Branch Valley in months occurred when dead fish appeared on the surface in water which took on the greenish color which indicates the presence of acid. Thousands of bathers who had turned to the river for relief from the heat wave will be kept from it until the water becomes cleaner. Physicians were called upon to administer to youths who were affected by the poison while swimming before the presence of the polluting matter was detected.

Mount Carmel.—Juvenile huckleberry pickers found the body of Michael Hebdia hanging from a tree near the Stouss No. 3 colliery. He came here recently from Shamokin, but was unable to get work and it is thought he worried about having no money to pay his board.

Pittsburgh.—The authorities continued their clean-up of this city when took Michael Norton into criminal court, where he pleaded guilty to 16 indictments of robbery, a number of indictments for highway robbery and several for housebreaking. Judge Marshall Brown sentenced him to serve not less than sixteen years and not more than nineteen years in the penitentiary. Norton, according to his own confessions, the police say, was the leader of a gang of thieves which operated in the East End district. After serving time in the penitentiary here Norton was returned to Illinois to serve eleven years in that state. According to the authorities, he escaped from Illinois prison some time ago.

Harrisburg.—As high as 37 per cent of water has been found by chemists in some samples of butter taken by agents of the state bureau of foods, of the department of agriculture, under the new butter act. More than forty arrests have been made, and the bulk of the fines have been collected in counties near Philadelphia. The law allows 16 per cent of moisture.

Pittsburgh.—Charles H. Davies, assistant cashier of the Iron and Glass Dollar Savings Bank of the South Side, Pittsburgh, charged with embezzling \$13,400 from the institution, was held for court under \$115,000 bond by an alderman. State Bank Examiner R. P. Ferguson, who examined the books of the bank, made the information against Davies.

McAdoo.—Michael Riffan, while picking huckleberries, encountered a five-foot blacksnake, which he killed, only to discover twenty smaller ones in the den. He dispatched them all, but was so unnerved by the battle that he quit for the rest of the day.

Pottsville.—Mrs. Carrie Dando, about to become a mother, took four tablespoonsful of carbolic acid. The fiery liquid burned out her stomach and intestines, and within two hours after taking the poison the woman was dead. Dr. Henry Dierschedl, city coroner, said a more painful death could hardly have been devised. Mrs. Dando had frequently threatened she would "end it all" by taking her own life, but as she had a happy home, no serious attention was paid to what was thought to be only idle words.

Lancaster.—Picnics scheduled for Williamsons' Park, Lancaster county, have been canceled because of the drying up of the fountains at the resort.

Uniontown.—Fifteen persons were injured in automobile accidents along the National pike in Fayette county. The pike was in a dangerous condition as a result of a heavy storm, and the machines skidded into poles or went over embankments. Three of the victims suffered fractured skulls, and hospital physicians here reported them in a serious condition.

Wilkes-Barre.—The desertion charge against Thomas Davis, Luzerne county, has been removed by the war department, it being proved that he served from December 8, 1917, to May 9, 1919.

Johnstown.—H. M. Black, principal of the senior high school at Johnstown, has been chosen principal of the Uniontown high school.

Cornellsville.—Approximately 7000 coke workers in the independent plants of this region were affected by a 10 per cent reduction in wages.

Washington.—Judge John A. McVezne, for thirty-five years president of the Washington county courts notified the county bar association that he would retire January 1.

Pittsburgh.—The First Slovak Presbyterian church here was granted a charter.

NINETEEN HOMERS IN SINGLE TEXAS GAME

"Nig" Clarke, Former Indian Backstop, Made Eight.

Contest Between Corsicana and Texarkana in 1902 Produced Records Likely to Stand for Many Years in Baseball.

The mark of seven home runs in a recent game between the Philadelphia and Detroit Americans tied the major league record for circuit drivers in a single contest, but it didn't even come close to the world's record.

On July 14, 1902, Corsicana and Texarkana, in a Texas minor league, met in a regularly scheduled game which produced slugging records likely to stand for many years. Nineteen home runs, a dozen triples, ten doubles and almost a dozen singles were clouted out by the batters in this game. Corsicana won by a score of 51 to 3, and the winning team made 53 hits.

Incidentally, "Nig" Clarke, formerly the best backstop of the Cleveland American league club, claims to have established in this game the world's record for home runs by an individual batsman. Clarke says that he drove out eight round-the-sacks hits in this game.

Previous data credited Harry Wright of the Cincinnati Reds with the record of seven homers in a game in 1867. Modern records gave the honors to Robert Lowe of Boston, Dan Brouthers of Detroit and Ed Delehanty of Philadelphia with four home runs apiece in one game. Seven home runs were made in a game between St. Louis and Detroit June 12, 1886.

The Philadelphia-Detroit series produced hitting that has never been rivaled in modern major league baseball, however, for the two teams made 16 home runs in the four games.

Baseball Notes

Babe Ruth counts that day lost which sees no home run.

Americans are playing in an eight-team baseball league in Paris.

Dallas has turned Pitcher Mutt Williams over to the San Antonio club.

The birds who devised the lively ball never had to play third base on a hard diamond.

Heinie Groh has the temperament to make a great opera singer if his voice will pass muster.

Elwood Wirts, catcher for the Dallas club of the Texas league, has been sold to the Chicago Cubs.

A Chinese amateur athletic union along the same lines as the American A. A. U. may be organized.

Timor Williams of Brewer has been elected captain of the Colby college baseball team. He plays in the outfield.

The Rochester club has released infielder Jim Hartnett, the young collegian, to Portsmouth of the Virginia league.

Commenting on Sullivan, it might be said he is the most finished left-fielder the Cubs have had since the days of Sheekard.

F. P. Fariss, an automobile dealer, has been elected president of the Tampa baseball club of the Florida State league.

President Ira Bell of the Rockford Three-I league club announced the purchase of Shortstop Keelley from the Brooklyn National league club.

Bridgeport has a Chinaman named Lal playing third base. He swings a mean chopstick and expresses a preference for a cue ball on the inside.

The veteran Jimmy Esmond, who hasn't been heard much of since Federal league days, has been signed by the Syracuse club to fill utility infield roles.

Catcher Fred Ross has been moved on the checker board again by Rochester. He was first released to Brantford, and now he is transferred to Peterborough.

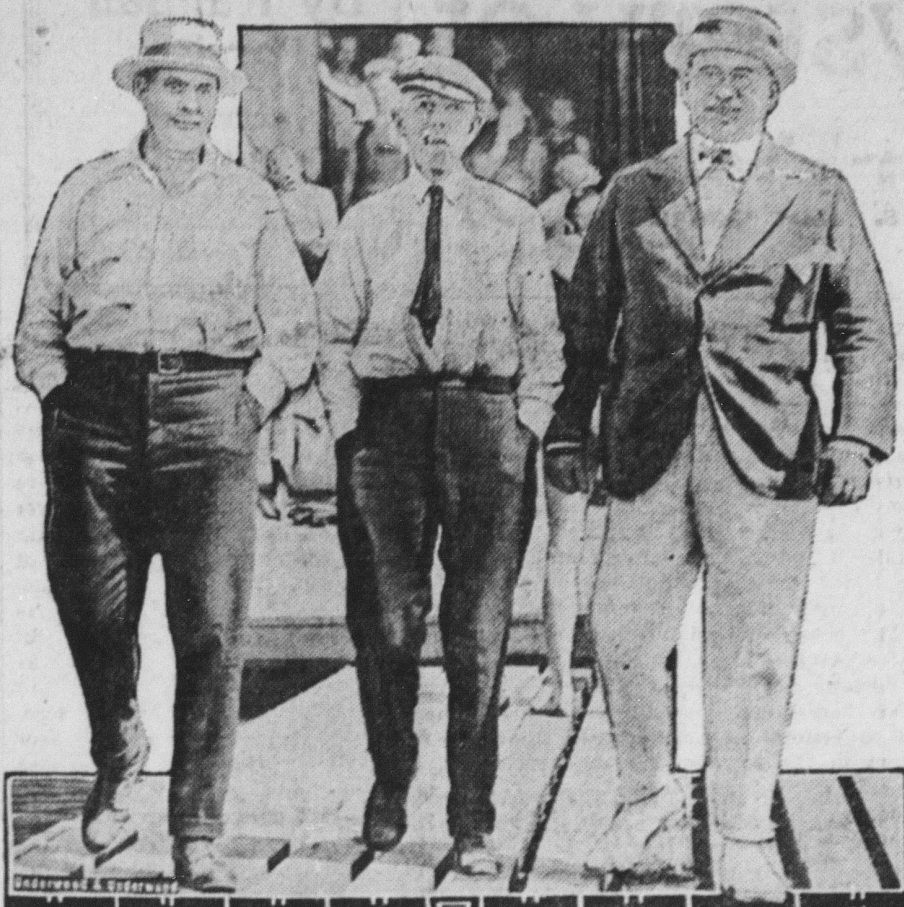
L. A. Jaynes, a pitcher on the ineligible list of the Buffalo club for jumping, recently pitched a no-hit no-man-to-first game for an independent team.

Los Angeles hails Bill McCabe as a "youngster." He's hardly that, though he has not entered the veteran class, in spite of two or three years of major league service.

Explaining his repeated arrests for speeding, Babe Ruth says it is his nature to put all his strength in everything he does. If that is so the Babe should get out and run when he begins to feel in a hurry.

Because he intends to complete the remaining two years of his college course, "Mike" Gazzella, the hard hitting third baseman of the Lafayette college baseball team of Easton, Pa., refused an offer from the Philadelphia Athletics.

THREE FAMOUS ROWING COACHES



The photograph shows three noted coaches on the dock at roughkeepsie, where they were recently engaged in getting their charges in condition for the big race.

From left to right: Jim Rice of Columbia; Jim Ten Eyck of Syracuse, and Joe Wright of Pennsylvania.

Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

Max Marston won the Lynnwood Hall golf cup at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia yatchmen plan to revive the Bermuda race next year.

David J. Crawford, a clever, all-round athlete, is West Point's first track captain.

Kenneth Wayland of New Haven was declared captain of the Lafayette college tennis team.

Georges Carpenter, in addition to boxing, is a runner, jumper, soccer player of merit and a clever golf exponent.

C. G. T. Landell of Dorchester, Mass., has been elected captain of the Phillips Exeter academy track team for next season.

In Ruth Patch, Ruth Stout and Jay Brook, Fred Edman seems to have an almost unbeatable trio as far as the half-mile tracks are concerned.

B. K. Hamilton, 22, who was one of the three men sent by the University of Missouri to the Olympic games, will captain that university's track team next year.

Harvard has won the Eastern intercollegiate track and field title on thirteen occasions; Pennsylvania, Yale and Cornell, each nine times; Columbia, three, and Princeton and California, one each.

John Morgenroth, known to boxing fans as "Honest John," says that Willard is too old to come back. He adds that Jess Willard was too old the last time. "Honest John" has seen many champions come and go.

Coach Walter Christie of the University of California, who has been active in athletics 26 years, has the proud honor of developing the real collegiate track and field squad. California is Pacific coast football champion, and also rowing title holder.

LEADING NEW YORK JOCKEY



Earl Sande, former contract jockey of Commander J. K. L. Ross, is leading the riders on the New York tracks this season. Sande is now employed by the Rancocas stable, owned by Harry Sinclair, the millionaire oil man.

Jockey Sande rode Mad Hatter to victory in the historic Metropolitan handicap which featured the opening day at the Belmont track.

MARANVILLE CAN BE SERIOUS

Pirates' Crack Little Shortstop Com bines His Gift of Comedy With Sense of Propriety.

Walter Maranville, who is quite on a par with Nick Altrock as a diamond comedian, combines with his gift of comedy a rare sense of propriety. In short, he knows when to act the clown and when to be serious. Before a recent game at the Polo grounds he pulled a series of comic antics that figuratively knocked the fans off their seats and pulled one or two of his stunts when he went to bat for the first time. When, however, the Giants and Pirates settled down to their bitter fight for the game he was as serious of mien and manner as one could wish, forgetting for the time being his



Walter Maranville.

propensity to amuse and devoting all his attention to the task of beating the Giants. Not until the Pirates had scored six runs in the ninth inning, thus sealing up the pastime, did the Rabbit again cut loose and make the spectators roar with delight at his impersonation of Hughie Jennings coaching at third base.

SMILEY MAKES TRIPLE PLAY

Center Fielder of Knoxville Team Retires Three Opposing Players All by Himself.

George Smiley, center fielder of the Knoxville (Tenn.) baseball team of the Appalachian league, recently pulled the same sensation that made Bill Wambansans, Cleveland second sacker, a hero of the 1920 world series. A triple play, unassisted!

Smiley was playing close in, near the keystone sack. There were runners on first and second. The man at bat lined one to him where he stood for out No. 1. Smiley then stepped on second base before the runner, who had started for third, could return, for out No. 2. Out No. 3, the completion of the play, came when he tagged the runner coming from first.

HINKIE HAINES WITH YANKS

Makes Third Pennsylvania Star to Go into Fast Company in the Past Few Years.

The reporting of Hinkie Haines, Penn State star outfielder, to the New York Yankees makes the third Blue and White athlete to go into fast company in the last several years. Cliff Heathcote of the St. Louis Nationals, was a student at Penn State when he signed with the Cards and he made good in rapid fashion. Gene Granley, a pitcher, went South with the Yankees this spring, but was farmed out

WHY UMPIRES STICK TO FIRST DECISION

Reversal Would Mean Loud Protests and Delays.

Few Games Would Go Beyond First Inning if Arbiters Were to Pay Heed to Arguments and Proofs Presented by Players.

Entirely too many fans have an idea that umpires stick to their bad decisions out of sheer bullheadedness. Those fans are almost invariably wrong. Every umpire time and again in the season understands in a flash, after he has decided one way, that he should have decided another, but if he reversed himself, thus encouraging kicks, protests and delays, he would lose his job in short order, writes Tom Rice in the Brooklyn Eagle.

Few fans stop to consider why the rule against umpires reversing themselves on decisions of fact is almost as unalterable as the laws of the Medes and Persians, but the rule is absolutely necessary if any ball game is to be finished in less time than is required for one of those three-day cricket matches.

If umpires were to heed arguments, proofs and figures and reverse themselves, they would do nothing but hold court, and few ball games would go more than one inning, as enough disputed decisions would ordinarily arise in the first round to keep the umpire engaged all the rest of the afternoon.

Long and painful experience has taught the powers that be in baseball that it is better to lay it down as a definite principle that an umpire shall stick by his decision, even when he realizes on second thought that he was wrong, than it is to encourage the players in the belief that if they talk long and loudly enough they can persuade him to reverse himself. While cases occasionally arise in which an umpire would be justified in reversing himself, such a reversal, based upon new evidence, so to speak, would lead to interminable arguments and proffers of new evidence upon all close plays.

Diamond Squibs

Baseball this year, with the lively ball, brews a survival of the luckiest.

The New York Yankees will seat \$5,000 in their new baseball park, now building.

Jack Halligan, first baseman of the Boston college team, will be its captain next year.

Even the best of baseball clubs have off days when they let others in the league enjoy themselves.

Willard E. Hoyt, second baseman, has been elected captain of the 1922 Williams college baseball team.

Frank Moreau, who got his umpiring knowledge in the Steel league, has been signed by the Western association.

Lefty Baumgartner pitched for the Bethlehem Steel team during the war. He has always been the property of the Phils.

Atlanta has sent Pitcher William Konemann, a young right-hander, to LaGrange of the Georgia State for seasoning.

Outfielder Gressett of the Evansville club in the Three-I league has been purchased by the Philadelphia Americans.

Pitcher Mead of the Toledo American Association team has been purchased by the Omaha Western league baseball club.

Phil Rariden, veteran catcher of the Cincinnati Nationals, has accepted terms to play with the Atlanta Southern association club.

The Brooklyn National league club has released Pitcher A. I. Bailey outright to the New Orleans club of the Southern association.

The Columbus American association team has announced the purchase of outfielder Eddie Murphy from the Cleveland Americans.

In the Appalachian league a pitcher named Joe Moody is going big for Kingsport. He recently twirled a one-hit game and struck out 16 batters.

George Kircher, whose last engagement was in the Southern league, has been signed to play with the Meridian team of the Mississippi State league.

Pitchers are so bad in the Southern league that in cases of double headers if the boxman can stand up in the first game he is made to go right through with the second.

Molly Mils, pitcher secured by Columbia from Nashville, seems to have found himself in the Sally league, and his work is helping Columbia to stay in front in the race.

Nashville was awarded Outfielder Gink Hendricks from Memphis on waivers, then turned him over to Chattanooga to complete payment of a previous player deal.