

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Tamaqua.—Frank Suda has been missing since August 25, and his wife is of the opinion that he committed suicide.

Harrisburg.—Building of frame structures within the municipal limits here is forbidden by an ordinance passed by council.

Hazleton.—About 300 United Mine Workers of the anthracite field will go to the international convention opening in Indianapolis, September 20.

Pittsburgh.—Director Davis, of the department of public health, closed Silver Lake, which has been used for many years as a swimming hole by youngsters, because a test of the water showed traces of typhoid bacilli.

Marietta.—Despondency caused Samuel T. Stolthefus, of Bareville, to commit suicide by hanging. He was 70 years old, a tobacco dealer and farmer. A widow, eight children and many other descendants survive.

York.—It being estimated that thousands of dollars have been taken out of York recently by agents for "bogus" stock companies, the York chamber of commerce has decided to establish a bureau to investigate stock selling schemes. This committee was appointed to draft plans for the bureau: Ellis S. Lewis, D. Scott Bruce, Vincent K. Keesey, Harry Ness and A. M. Owen.

Harrisburg.—The contract for furnishing dog license tags to the state department of agriculture for the first enforcement of the law placing dog regulation under state supervision has been awarded to the prison labor commission.

Sharon.—Katie Molner, of 205 Quincey street, was arrested by Game Warden Dixon, charged with owning a dog. She is an alien, and Alderman Thomas fined her \$30 under a new state law.

Uniontown.—Bound, gagged and robbed of \$6 by two masked men in the office of the I. N. Hagan Ice Cream company, Henry McCormick, night manager, was found the next morning by employers of the plant. He had been struck on the head with a blunt instrument and was unconscious for several hours.

Altoona.—The school census shows that there are exactly as many boys as girls of compulsory school age in Altoona, a total of 5726. Of this number approximately 3000 attend the Catholic parish schools, and the remainder the public schools. In the four classes in the high school 1962 students are enrolled, necessitating two sessions a day.

Harrisburg.—State agricultural department warnings for the prompt removal of weeds around tomato vines so that the late crop may have a chance to mature are being sent out. The crop is looked for by many farmers to be valuable. Good reports on sweet potatoes in some districts also have been received here.

Uniontown.—Ordered to leave New Geneva, the vicinity in which he has resided for a number of years, following the admission that he sold liquor without a license, Louis Valentine petitioned the court to modify the order. The court extended the time of his departure from September 1 to November 1. If he has not left New Geneva by that time he will be brought into court and sentenced to the workhouse. It was brought out that Mrs. Valentine was ill, and under those circumstances the extension was granted. Between now and November 1 Valentine must dispose of all his property in New Geneva and remain away from that section of the country for two years.

Harrisburg.—Martens and blackbirds have begun flocking in larger numbers than usual at this season preparatory to the southern flight, according to reports coming to the capitol. Boyd P. Rothrock, curator of the State Museum branches devoted to wild life and allied subjects in Pennsylvania, says that he has noticed the martens gathering for some time and that indications of an early start for the south are at hand. For years the martens have been observed by the state experts and have been especially numerous throughout parts of southern Pennsylvania. Chimney swifts and other birds also are said to have been carrying out their autumn habits earlier than customary. Large flocks of blackbirds have been seen within a few miles of the capitol and the evening flights have been followed by many hunters. Reports coming to the department of agriculture also have told of birds gathering and of robins showing signs of restlessness.

State College.—More than 3000 invitations have been sent out by the college requesting the attendance of individuals at the inauguration of Dr. John M. Thomas as president of the institution October 14. Plans for a most impressive ceremony have been formulated and arrangements made for the entertainment of at least 1000 visitors.

Hazleton.—Dr. David Levy, of Bridgeport, Conn., has assumed charge of the congregation of Beth Israel Temple here.

Bloomsburg.—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reedy, of this place, celebrated their fifty-seventh wedding anniversary quietly at their home.

Catawissa.—More than a score of persons who attended the reunion of the McIntyre family near here were stricken with ptomaine poison.

Mt. Carmel.—Joseph Snyder, 22, a mile driver in the mines here, died from peritonitis, caused from effects of being kicked in the abdomen.

Harrisburg.—The annual romper day celebration in Reservoir Park here was participated in by 4500 children.

Hazleton.—John Boyle, of this place, has just completed a 23-year continuous enlistment in the United States army.

Watsonstown.—Pleading guilty to selling near-beer without a license, Oscar E. Stewart, was fined \$50 and costs.

Butler.—Nine mayors were present at the opening of the convention of the Pennsylvania League of Third-Class Cities here.

Harrisburg.—Low water in many of the streams of Pennsylvania is endangering the trout and other fish and the subject of care for fish at such times will be introduced for consideration at the sessions of the American Fisheries Society, which will begin its convention at Allentown. Commissioner Nathan R. Buller, president of the society, who is just home from a tour of the state, says there has been loss of many brook trout, but that bass have not been so hard hit. The situation is not so bad in the lakes of the northeastern section of the state as in the streams in the southern and central counties. Other states have had the same experience.

Harrisburg.—Dr. Thomas E. Finegan, state superintendent of public instruction, has returned from Honolulu, where he attended the educational conference, and will arrange for an early meeting of the new state council of education and for conferences with Superintendent E. C. Groome, of the Philadelphia schools, in regard to the Philadelphia survey. Results will not be given out for some time.

Brownsville.—Union organizers from the Monongahela River district have entered the Fayette county coal and coke fields and are making an effort to organize the men, about 2500 of whom are out on strike. The trouble, which began at the W. J. Rainey company plants, now has spread to independent companies.

Butler.—Indictments charging a misdemeanor were returned against seven hotel proprietors of Butler county by the September grand jury when it made its return here. The indictments charge a violation of the Woner dry act, Pennsylvania's new dry law, passed by the last legislature.

Clenfield.—John Brophy, president of District 2, United Mine Workers of America, announced here that the district would hold its fall convention in Dubois, October 18. A scale agreement will be mapped out, Mr. Brophy said, and a scale committee appointed to meet the operators of this district for the purpose of reaching some agreement as to wages and working conditions for the two years following March 31, 1922. President Brophy said that he planned to have the joint scale committee meet early in the year so that the agreement could be signed long before the present one expires.

York.—Charged with bootlegging, John Downey, Shenandoah councilman, was arrested here.

Pittsburgh.—Dr. Raymond F. Bacon has resigned of the Mellon Institute here.

York.—Jacob Mayer, former mayor of this city, was re-elected president of the York County Firemen's Association.

Uniontown.—Fayette county's smallest teacher at the county institute was Miss Goldie George, of Smithfield, who tips 175 scales at 93 pounds.

State College.—Dr. W.H. Grant Chambers, for 11 years dean of the School of Education at the University of Pittsburgh, has accepted a deanship at Pennsylvania State College.

Hatchhill.—Struck by a bolt of lightning as he was standing in the doorway of the barn at his farm here, Fred Smith, 42, was instantly killed during a severe electrical storm.

Hazleton.—William McGinty, of San Francisco, is visiting old friends in his native town here, after an absence of 38 years.

Delta.—Mr. Ella J. Barnette, of this place, while feeding the chickens in her yard, fell dead, due to an attack of heart disease.

Greensburg.—Mary Sanders, of Scottsdale, has entered a charge against her husband for assault and battery, claiming that he has made it a custom to beat her every pay-day for some time. Sanders, unable to furnish \$500 bail, was held for court.

Harrisburg.—Officers of the state forestry department are making their annual inspection of the Pennsylvania forest reserves embracing more than 1,000,000 acres.

Altoona.—A land of girls raided J. W. Endress' store in Logan township, driving out the women clerks, taking money from the cash drawer and helping themselves to goods. They were arrested at Achville, brought back, compelled to make restitution and fined by Alderman W. Leamer.

Freeland.—John Kresge, a badly crippled minor, for whom the people of this place recently raised a fund of \$1254.50, invested the money in a home.

York.—Falling from a balcony at his home here, James A. Theighman died of a fractured skull.

Sunbury.—Frank Zetlemoyer, of this place, was appointed an assistant game protector for Northumberland county.

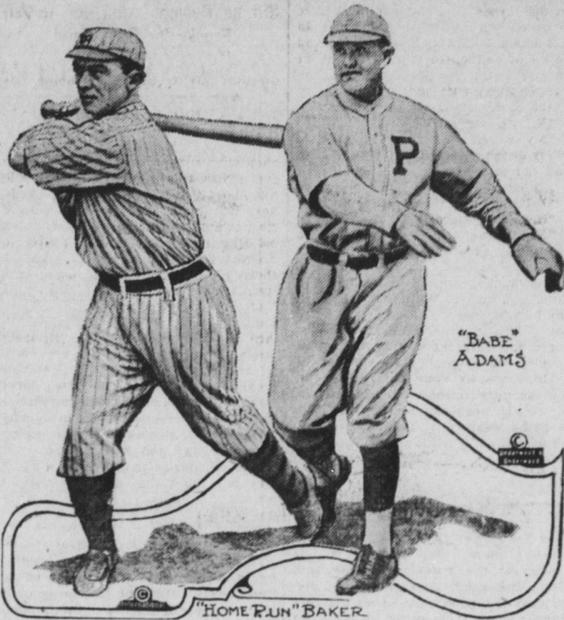
Harrisburg.—Records of the state highway department show completion of 440 miles of durable road in the 1921 construction season.

Hazleton.—The State hospital here is crowded to the doors and ten patients were refused admission this week because there was no room for them.

Kulpont.—Adam Sinkovitch and George Taekask were painfully burned about the face and hands in an explosion of gas at the Scott colliery here.

Sunbury.—The Central Hotel, for years the leading hostelry here, will be converted into a business office building.

TWO MAY RETURN FROM GRAVES FOR SHARE IN WORLD SERIES



Back from baseball graves to get their share in this year's world series. Is that what Babe Adams of the Pirates and Frank Baker of the Yankees are up to?

Of course, neither the Pirates nor the Yankees have clinched pennants, but both clubs are "sitting pretty."

Babe Adams pitched in one world series in 1909 when the Tigers and the Pirates clashed. Adams won two games and Pittsburgh was declared the world's champion club.

Baker Home Run King. Baker has starred in more than one. He was the home-run king when the Athletics were copping annually. He was known as a money player—doing his best work in the big series.

But Baker and Adams were both counted out. And in sports it is common to say that a man can't come back. Daily accounts of games played in the two big leagues include favorable mention of the two veterans.

Adams is stalwart. Adams is one of the stalwarts of the Pirates as he was in 1909. And Baker is batting in the runs the Yankees need so badly in their fight with Cleveland.

Babe Adams is thirty-eight years old and began pitching in 1904 with Parsons, Kan.

Frank Baker is thirty-five years old and had been out of baseball over a year when the Yankees took him back this spring.

Diamond Squibs

Base stealing has declined this year with the heavy hitting.

If the pitching on the Detroit club is good, then sarsaparilla is a deadly intoxicant.

Gene Coehran, veteran pitcher released by Shreveport, was taken on by Houston.

The San Antonio club has purchased Pitcher Sterling Stryker from the Indianapolis club.

George Tyler, recently let out by the Chicago Cubs, has been signed by Rochester Internationals.

President William F. Baker of the Philadelphia National League team denies that the team is for sale.

Connie Mack and the Athletics have been promising to come back ever since the memorable 1914 year.

One of the latest reports in baseball is that the Baltimore Orioles and Phillies will be merged next season.

If you don't believe ball players are full of grit, watch them after they have slid into second on a dusty day.

If Covelskie were to be subtracted from the Cleveland and Mays from the Yankees, what a mess it would leave.

Cy Young is fifty-five years old, but can still give lessons in flinging to a whole lot of youths who are drawing big league pay.

Earl Brooks, Mount Pleasant, Mich., normal school pitcher, has joined the Saginaw Mint league for a fling at professional ball.

A remarkably fast game was staged in Rocky Mount when Norfolk and the Tar Heels completed a nine-inning game in one hour.

Capt. Eddie Collins has fallen for golf, even to the extent of purchasing a pair of knickerbockers in which to pursue the ancient Scottish sport.

Alexander is working his head off to help make Killefer a success as manager. The Nebraskan spends all his spare time on the coaching lines.

"Chic" Fawcett has been in a batting slump and, although Bobby Roth, a much better hitter, is with the club, Huggins refuses to substitute Roth for Fawcett.

As a home club the Cardinals are a distinct success. They're much better there than away. The Yanks are better, if anything, on the road. The Giants are better at home and, bar Pittsburgh, have done poorly in the Western cities.

It's a better grade of baseball with better pitching and normalcy in hitting. The greatest of mistakes would be to purposely increase the hitting. Cheapen anything and it loses its glamor. Except Ruth's home runs. The Babe has a style all his own.

PLAYS SOME REAL BASEBALL

Ernie Johnson of White Sox Resorts to Clever Trick to Beat Ball to First Base.

Once in a while baseball manager, and players unexpectedly pull some real baseball.

Ernie Johnson, Salt Lake recruit shortstop of the White Sox, came to bat with two out and none on. The

opposing infield played back. He bunted. Result was he beat the ball to first. It turned the tide of the game. The Sox came from behind and won out.

And John McGraw sat in the dug-out the other day, wrinkled his eyebrows, stretched his imagination back to the old days and fished up the old "sucker act," better known as the squeeze play.

He worked it three times on the unsuspecting league-leading Pirates.

Pulling the unexpected is the soul of a good ball game.

For First Time Pacific Coast Institution Permitted to Stage Big Athletic Meet.

For nearly 50 years the Intercollegiate A. A. A. has been recognized as the national collegiate track and field premier event, and for the first time University of California athletes hold the crown. Heretofore the big eastern institutions always reigned supreme.

Harvard Stands Pat. Harvard will not change its football system this fall.

The old reliable style which has brought honor to Cambridge is good enough for them.

Last year the Crimson eleven departed from the A. B. C. fundamentals only to meet special attacks of opposing teams.

These special departures did not meet always with success.

Harvard has always had weight, generalship and good coaching, and methods that are traditional.

WERDEN ADMITS BABE RUTH SWINGS HARDER

Fans Yelled Because He Drove the Ball So Hard.

Yankee Slugger's Big Assets Are His Swing and Weight—No Excitement Over Werden's Record of 45 Home Run Drives.

The old home-run king takes off his hat to the new one. Perry Werden, homer king, who made his record of 45 drives in 1895, admits that Babe Ruth has a harder swing than he had when he made his mark.

"There is no doubt but that Babe has it on all of them—modern and ancient," says Werden.

"His swing and his weight are his biggest assets.

"When I made my record, I was playing with the St. Louis club of the old Western league.

"There wasn't much talk about my 45 home runs. The truth is, some fans panned me because I swung too hard.

"Fences were farther back then. I had to hit the ball hard to lift it out of the park.

"I weighed 180 pounds—if I had been heavier I might have hit them as far as Babe.

"I batted right-handed. My average that year was .428."

Werden is now calling balls and strikes in the Dakota league.

He isn't as spry as he once was, but he runs the game like a czar.

His record was almost forgotten until Ruth made 29 home runs in 1919. Then the dope on Werden was dug up for comparison.

The best day at bat Werden ever had was on July 23, 1895, when he rapped out four home runs and a single in five times at bat, giving the slugger a total of 17 bases for one game.

Werden stood at the plate with his feet close together, lifted himself back and met the ball with his whole weight behind the bat.

He had a good eye and seldom struck out. His grip was like Babe's, students \$6 for athletic tax.

University of Michigan now charges students \$6 for athletic tax.

Richard C. Harlow of Penn State is to be football and basketball coach at Lehigh university.

Jacob Bernstein of New York won the New York state chess championship with 6½ points.

W. H. Trovenger of Detroit won the Canadian open golf championship, with a score of 293 for the 72 holes.

Cleveland won the annual interlake tennis championship, defeating Toledo in five of the six single matches.

Georges Carpentier is picked as winner over Tom Gibbons in the Gibbons-Carpentier bout, to be held in New York by Jack Dempsey.

An age limit for fighters, such as has been set by New York, is wrong. In sport a man is okay as long as he delivers the goods in his line.

Miss America, Gar Wood's world champion hydroplane, was awarded the Sincilar trophy, emblematic of the Great Lakes championship, without having to win the third contest.

Pleasant Land of Holland. The golden glory of kingcups growing in generous masses. Wide, wide stretches of meadow land intersected with blue waterways whose edges are fringed with silver where the light falls.

Black and white cows grazing peacefully; numerous families of little pigs following close at the heels of large black and white cows; the whitest of white lambs at play.

The dark form of windmills silhouetted against the horizon. In place of hedges, long straight rows or avenues of poplars in spring dress of yellow-green. Clumps of fuzzy-headed willows down by the water's edge or sharing with the poplars the duty of forming boundary lines between meadows.

Little hamlets with red-roofed cottages showing gayly out of orchards full of snowy blossom. Blue-blond peasants at work in the fields, or moving in leisurely fashion along the dykes, pushing before them with long poles the slow-moving, brightly-painted barges.

These are some of the things that catch our attention as our train moves through Holland on a day in spring—Christian Science Monitor.

Medical Advice for Sailors. All ships at sea within a wide radius of New York may obtain free medical advice by wireless telegraphy, says Radio News (New York). This free dispensary is the first of its kind in the world. It will be available for hundreds of ships in New York harbor, up and down the Atlantic coast and for half-way across the Atlantic. Except for the great liners few ships carry doctors, but practically all are equipped with radio. The new service will be carried on by the Seaman's Church Institute in South street, which meets all the expenses of the undertaking.

New Colors. I see that one of the latest colors is called "mutton-fat jade." I am now waiting in fear and trembling for chicken-gizzard gray, cat's-meat pink and chewed gooseberry-skin cerise.—Daily Herald, London.

RITUAL OF AGONY

Remarkable Religious Rites Dear to Malayan Sect.

Two Days of Fasting Followed by Hours of the Cruellest Tortures Self-Inflicted.

A religious sect of the Malays has just been depicted a festival dear to them as Christmas is to us, writes a correspondent from Singapore to the London Daily Mail. The feast started with a procession early on Sunday morning, when they carried a costly idol from one temple to another two miles distant.

A silver chariot, with canopy and dais, on which the idol had been carried, was placed at the entrance to an avenue of palms leading into the temple and lined with banners worked with allegorical designs. In the porch were four great hollow statues, grotesque affairs like effigies destined for a bonfire; these had been carried by men walking inside them. Here also were two fine white bullocks adorned with silver anklets—animals kept solely for the purpose of drawing the chariot in the annual procession.

As I was about to enter the temple a tall, savage-looking native emerged and told me to remove my boots. As I did so and took them outside the porch he crashed a coconut on the steps, then picked up the largest piece and returned. I followed him. The temple itself was dark and dirty. Smoky flares lighted up two altars before which priests were muttering prayers, tearing up green leaves and throwing the fragments on the ledge at the base of the idol.

I followed the tall native right to the foot of the altar; there I saw him place his portion of coconut beside many other half-nuts, each holding two bananas and a tender leaf, which is eaten as food by the Malays. The priest blessed them and offered them to the idol, which was fully revealed for a few seconds by the light of a torch.

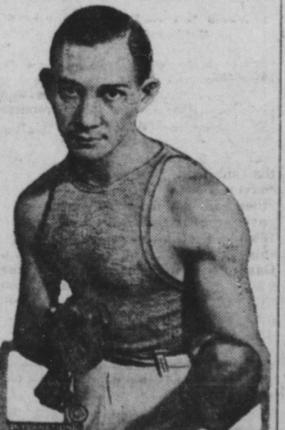
Each man then claimed his fruit and out, together with a pinch of powder-like sandalwood ash. With this he touched his tongue and head, and made three white lines on his forehead and neck. Then he prostrated himself as if for the exercise performed in physical drill in response to the command, "On the hands, down."

Many of these men are very wealthy and ordinarily wear European dress, but during the last three days they have been wearing nothing but gold ornaments around neck and arms and a snowy white loin cloth thrown into strong relief by their shining black skins and jet black hair.

The idol was brought back in torch-light procession on Sunday night. On Monday the natives practiced the craziest feats of endurance—indeed, I could hardly believe the evidence of my own eyes.

In the temple, where the air was fetid with the smell of burning sandalwood and perspiring humanity, were men with hundreds of little darts sticking into the body, wearing shoes containing spikes which penetrated deep into the foot, and drawing jagged spines containing offerings of fruit for the idols by cords attached to fish-hooks stuck in the flesh of the back. The face of each of these men was the personification of agony.

MOTHER HAS BIG INFLUENCE



When Benny Leonard doesn't knock out an opponent, he gets the razzberry from the fans.

He's figured to have the stuff necessary to kick over his men every time he lets one go.

That is expecting a lot of any fighter. Some fighters are harder to hit than others.

But aside from this there is another reason. It is Benny's mother.

Every time he leaves home for a fight she says—"Benny, my boy, please don't hurt your opponent any more than you have to—and don't knock him out."

So perhaps she is responsible for many a pleasant evening some mediocre fighter has spent with Benny when he should have been counted out.