

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Kane.—A granite block with bronze tablet upon which will appear the names of the men and women of Keating township who were in federal service during the world war, will soon be placed near the Pennsylvania railroad station at East Smethport.

Greensburg.—While playing on the ice along the shore of the Allegheny river, Andrew Sicilia, the 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sicilia, slipped on the bank and plunged into the water and drowned.

Sunday.—Seventeen hundred dog licenses have been issued for 1922 in the office of James Phillips, deputy treasurer of Northumberland county. Last year the total number of dog tags reported sold was 2250.

Pottsville.—At a rally of American Legion posts of Schuylkill and Carbon counties here, a showing of hands demonstrated that a large majority were in favor of accepting the endorsement plan of the home and farm aid investment of the proposed bonus bill in preference to a cash bonus. It was pointed out that, if the veterans all over the country were similarly satisfied, the passing of the bill in congress will be much expedited.

Pottsville.—Officials of the Pottsville board of health are investigating a case of smallpox reported to exist near the courthouse. The question as to whether it is genuine smallpox will be determined. There has not been a case of this disease here in fifteen years.

Pottsville.—Following a quarrel with his young wife at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mastulla, at Clark's Valley, Dauphin county, Vincent Jerski first set fire to the barn on the Mastulla farm. Then, returning to the house, he killed his wife, set fire to the house and ran a short distance down the road, finishing his night's work by taking his own life. The Tower City fire department was summoned and extinguished the fire in the house, but the barn was destroyed with its contents, among which were three horses.

Pittsburgh.—Carl B. Troy, postmaster at West Brownsville, was brought here by postoffice inspectors, charged with misappropriating \$8700 in postal funds and with settling fire to the post-office. He was arraigned before a federal commissioner later in the day and held in \$3000 bail for the grand jury.

Harrisburg.—Delegations from Monroe, York and Susquehanna counties discussed road construction with Assistant Highway Commissioner Biles, and were informed the state will assist in county work as far as funds permit.

Bethlehem.—Charles Russ Richards dean of the college of engineering and director of the experimental engineering department at the University of Illinois, was elected president of Lehigh University at a meeting of the board of trustees. He will succeed Dr. Henry S. Drinker, who retired more than a year ago to become president emeritus.

Williamsport.—The women of Lycoming county are just as prompt in paying their taxes as are the men, declared an official who has charge of tax matters. "We are having no trouble whatever. There are some women, just as there are some men, who will delay payment of taxes as long as possible, but I believe there are fewer women than men who have not paid." In Williamsport women will be required to pay city, poor and library tax, the minimum being \$1.18.

Lewistown.—The new directory here has more "Millers" than Smiths in the proportion of 106 to 69.

McKeesport.—The McKeesport Tinplate company plant started on full time at capacity.

Ronks.—John K. King, 91, oldest resident here, died while talking to members of his family.

Hazleton.—Eight members of the high school faculty here endorsed the request of the student body that the ban against dancing be lifted.

Pittsburgh.—Two armed bandits entered a saloon here, bound and gagged Charles Landsman, a bartender, took \$1.30 from his pockets and \$25 from the cash register and escaped.

Sunbury.—Half frozen, unable to talk and almost stiff from cold, a man gave his name as Ralph King, aged 21, of Denver, was found in a carload of bananas by Victor Palmisano, a wholesale fruit dealer, here. According to King, he entered the car at Baltimore, thinking he was going south. He was treated by physicians, who said he will survive.

Harrisburg.—The state council of education held its first session of the year here.

Altoona.—The president nominated J. E. Brumbaugh to be postmaster here.

Connellsville.—Arrests are being made and furniture and other property levied upon here to compel the payment of city taxes.

Greensburg.—The Greensburg Glass company, after several months of idleness, has resumed and will keep a force of men at work all summer.

Lewistown.—Burglars entered the hide warehouse of Wolner Brothers here and took some valuable furs.

Hazleton.—Despondent over business reverses and illness, Daniel Smolinsky, 59, ended his life here by shooting himself in the head while propped up in bed.

Harrisburg.—State police brought to Harrisburg Yovo Cupovic, for whom they had been searching for eleven years, and lodged him in the county jail on a charge of having murdered Joseph Rock near Northumberland during the construction of the Pennsylvania railroad freight yards there. Cupovic was arrested near Pittsburgh.

Harrisburg.—Immediate steps will be taken by the tax law revision commission to get data upon the condition of tax liens and uncollected taxes throughout Pennsylvania for study at the meetings to be held here in about a month. At the same time the members will ascertain sentiment in regard to taxation methods and the proposed uniform collection bill.

Harrisburg.—Rodney A. Mercor, county solicitor of Bradford, was re-elected chairman of the uniform tax law commission at its reorganization here. Representative John G. Marshall, of Beaver, was re-elected secretary, and a policy of ascertaining sentiment was adopted. The members will visit their home districts and bring their impressions of popular opinion in regard to the proposed tax code to a meeting to be held here in March. A series of meetings there will be held throughout the state. Benjamin Ludlow, of Philadelphia, one of the two new members, assumed his place on the commission.

Harrisburg.—Farmers who use their flivvers to haul truck to market don't have to pay a commercial vehicle license fee, Acting State Highway Commissioner Biles announced. "This contention was the basis for a new ruling issued this week by the highway department to clarify a misunderstanding concerning the motor vehicle laws. Through the misunderstanding farmers in a number of sections of the state were led to believe that when they used their passenger car to haul truck to market once or twice a week it was classed as a commercial vehicle. On the smallest type passenger cars this meant an additional license fee of \$5, making the minimum \$15 instead of \$10. Many farmers protested to the highway department. Under the highway department ruling passenger cars "used only at intervals for carrying goods, wares or merchandise" do not come within the scope of the commercial truck class.

New Castle.—In a court order awarding Mrs. Francis Sater, Sr., half the benefits from her son's government insurance, and rejecting an oral will alleged to have been made by the son when he lay dying at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, from pneumonia, Judge S. Plummer Emery ruled that, inasmuch as young Sater had not died in action or as a result, that he was not actually in military service when he passed away. Francis Sater, Sr., the father of the young soldier, was called to his son's bedside as he lay dying and the boy is alleged to have said, "Don't worry, father. I've insured myself for you for \$10,000." The statement was reduced to writing and offered for probate July 12, 1919.

Harrisburg.—The state can supply experienced circus workers, either main top or side show. The commonwealth maintains an employment bureau at which reports are filed of the persons seeking jobs so that a state-wide survey can be made every two weeks. The other day one of the branch offices sent word it had applications for work from 90 circus workers of various degrees of skill.

Harrisburg.—The automobile division gave notice that New York 1921 tags would not be recognized here.

Scranton.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed lumber valued at \$50,000 in the yards of the Summit Lumber company at Clark Summit, near here. Two buildings of the company were also burned. Men and women of the town joined in fighting the fire which was fanned by a high wind.

West Chester.—From 5 to 17 years was the sentence imposed upon C. C. McCourley, Washington, D. C., convicted of stealing a motor truck containing 90 cases of liquor about a year ago. One man implicated in the robbery has jumped his bail, while another is awaiting trial.

Uniontown.—Warnings have been issued in Uniontown and other sections of Fayette county that burglars in the guise of meter inspectors for the West Penn Power company, are victimizing unsuspecting persons. The West Penn company states that men in the guise of meter and wire inspectors have visited a number of homes in Uniontown and vicinity and have reaped a rich harvest in silverware, jewelry and money.

Altoona.—Bakeries here cut the price of large loaves of bread from 15 to 13 cents or two for 25 cents.

Nesqueopek.—Seven persons in the family of William Croff here, were overcome by gas that followed a pipe from a leak in the street.

Hazleton.—Thieves here, using a touring car, stole two barrels of wine from Israel Krap, who was keeping the beverage for his personal use.

Ephrata.—John K. Swerling was severely scalded by escaping steam at the Ephrata electric light plant.

Pottsville.—Mrs. Lucy Messner, aged 64, died very suddenly while visiting a neighbor here.

Mount Carmel.—Falling down a slope at the Laurel colliery, here, James Angelo, 27, suffered a broken back and several fractured ribs.

Lewistown.—A large flock of wild ducks has been seen daily on the Juniata River between here and Mount Union all the week.

Hazleton.—Albert Brandish, of Hazleton Heights, trapped 18 weasels in the past four weeks.

Snydertown.—A broken rail here caused the derailment of a freight train car a few minutes before a Williamsport-Philadelphia express was due.

SPORT ON FROZEN SHREWSBURY



There are airplanes, seaplanes—and iceplanes. Here's one of the last-named variety, snapped on the frozen Shrewsbury the other day as Mr. P. A. Proal of Red Bank, N. J., was taking Miss Mai Crawford, also a Red Banker, for a spin at 50 miles an hour.

Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

Harvard's baseball schedule calls for twenty-three home games.

Brown football men practice indoors once a week through the winter.

Twelve meets are included in the University of Pennsylvania track schedule.

Jean Borotra, a youngster, is regarded as the coming tennis champion of France.

Class fights have been prohibited at Pennsylvania and inter-class athletic events substituted.

Rockne's decision to remain at Notre Dame is cheerful news to a number of Big Ten coaches.

Alfred Tracey of Flushing, L. I., is captain of the Lafayette cross-country team. He is a sophomore.

Coach Huggins of Brown is driving his swimming team in preparation for the first dual meet with McGill.

Navy and Pennsylvanian athletes will meet in football, baseball, basketball, rowing, wrestling and boxing.

Anybody can go south for the winter if he will merely take the precaution to join a big-league baseball team.

GERMAN BILLIARD CHAMPION

Erik Hagenlacher is Credited With Having Recently Made Run of 768 at 18.2 Balkline.

The photograph shows Erik Hagenlacher, the German billiard champion, who recently arrived in this country and is credited with having



Erik Hagenlacher.

made a run of 768 at 18.2 balkline billiards, using a 5 by 10 table and balls of 2 7/16 inch diameter; but with anchor spaces of only 3 3/4 by 7 instead of the 7-inch square spaces used in professional world's title events. He uses a cue of 20-ounce weight.

According to his manager, Joseph Knoeper, Hagenlacher has been playing billiards for about eight years—four in Stuttgart while attending Gynnasium college, and four in Berlin, where he became a pro.

IMPROVED TYPE OF GOLFERS

Professionals Who Combined Hard Drinking With Playing Have Almost Passed.

That type of professional who combined hard playing with hard drinking has almost passed, writes Henry R. Hixley, it may be said to the credit of the professional golfers.

The "professional" today, for the most part, is a student of golf, clean-cut, steady and the kind of a man the club member will trust as an instructor of his wife and daughters.

JAP CLAIMS WORLD'S RECORD

Tennis Player at Honolulu Sets Mark for Greatest Number of Sets Played.

A Japanese tennis player in Honolulu named Goto claims to have established a world's record for the greatest number of sets played in a single season. Goto played 1,130 sets, of which he won 417 in singles and 284 in doubles. His record for a single day was fifteen sets, but his average was ten sets an afternoon. In one of his matches he lost to W. N. Ekland, Hawaiian champion, 8-6, 6-2.

COOMBS CALLS MORGAN

During the heyday of the Philadelphia Athletics, three of the star pitchers, Bender, Coombs and Morgan, went onto the vaudeville stage. They did a small act that took big all around the circuit.

One evening the applause was so great that all three came before the curtain to make speeches. Morgan was first and he started in to flatter the audience, giving it the impression that all were baseball fans.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he began, "Many of you out there in front of me I have saw before—"

Coombs nudged him. "Nix on that saw stuff," he muttered, and the trio escaped in a gale of laughter.

FANS AT BOXING BOUTS

Madison Square Garden yielded to the federal and state governments from Aug. 3, 1920, to December 22 last the sum of \$535,317 in property and amusement taxes, according to a compilation made by the lessee of the building. New York state profited to the extent of \$101,067 for taxes on boxing and wrestling bouts alone.

The attendance at the boxing and wrestling shows during the fifteen months mentioned was 2,247,127.

PRESIDENT HEYDLER SEES CURVE REVIVAL

Figures Old Style of Pitching Will Return in 1922.

As Result of World Series Pitchers Are Inspired and Coits Will Arrive With Skill to Win—No Change in Rules.

John Heydler, president of the National league, predicts a general improvement in pitching in the major and minor circuits next year, because the recent world's series proved that curve pitching, when properly manipulated, will check the heaviest batsmen.

"You'll see more curve pitching in the major league in future than for many years," said President Heydler. "The way the Glants' boxmen defeated the Yankees by using orthodox curves, almost perfectly controlled, has inspired young pitchers all over the country and soon these coits will arrive in fast company thoroughly equipped with the kind of skill that wins.

"There was plenty of bad pitching in both majors last season which was one of the big reasons for the abnormal hitting. The ball, too, was lively although the manufacturers had no instructions to make it so. Then, again, the batsmen swung their sticks with greater confidence after the anti-freak delivery rules went into effect. But in the end, the world series proved conclusively that big hitters could be disposed of easily by smart pitchers, employing the time-honored curve ball.

"Several youngsters who broke into the National league last season showed remarkable effectiveness with curves. One of them who impressed me was Morrison of the Pirates who was all curves. There were several others almost as clever who are bound to be successful. Among the semi-professionals and minor league pitchers are many ambitious coits who are expected to make rapid progress by adopting curve-ball methods.

"No, the pitching rules will not be changed. They have worked satis-



President John Heydler.

factorily and amendments to provide for the use of resin are unnecessary. It is up to the pitchers themselves to improve their natural deliveries. In due time I believe that batting averages will drop to a normal plane, which means that the making of more than 900 home runs in a single campaign will be impossible in the big leagues."

HUGGINS GETS BIG INCREASE

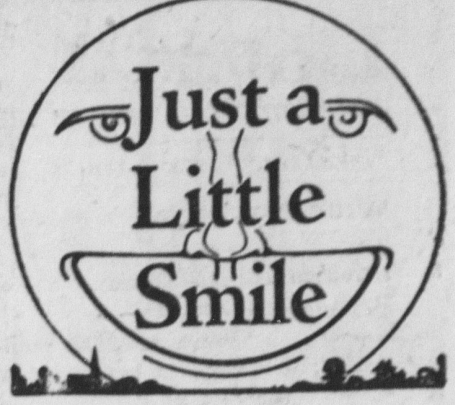
Salary of Manager of Yankees Will Be Considerably Larger During Season of 1922.

Miller Huggins will manage the Yankees in 1922 at a salary considerably fatter than was his portion this year, when he led his crew to pennant heights. Instead of listening to the anti-Huggins clan, which wanted the diminutive leader "fired," the Yankee owners re-engaged him and hoisted his wages something like \$2,000 annually.

STADIUM WILL SEAT 80,000

University of Pennsylvania Structure Will Be Biggest of Its Kind in World.

The University of Pennsylvania stadium, now under construction will have a seating capacity of 80,000 when completed. This will make it the biggest thing of its kind in the world. Only a few of the stands which now make up Franklin field will be used in the new plan.



HIS CAR

"I suppose you get a great deal of pleasure out of your car?"
"No, I can't say that I do."
"What's the trouble?"
"The car's all right, but Monday is mother's day to drive it; on Tuesday the girls want it; on Wednesday, I promised to let the boy have it, and Friday and Saturday it has to go in for repairs. Sunday, if I am very good, they let me drive myself."

Slightly Accommodating.

"Your daughter seems to be a strictly modern miss."
"She makes some concessions to old-fashioned ideas," said Mr. Dubwalte.

"How is that?"
"She occasionally permits me to meet some of the young men she runs around with."

Fluency No Advantage.

"Do you speak any foreign language fluently?"
"Not fluently," replied Senator Sorghum. "I find it better to slow down the conversation as much as possible, so I can take time to think things over before committing myself."

Hours and Minutes.
"Your constituents regard you as the man of the hour, do they not?"
"They used to," replied Senator Sorghum. "But at present I'm lucky if they stand for a twenty-minute speech."

Johnny's Raw Joke.
Big Sister—Now, Johnny, we're going to have my gentleman friend to dinner and I want you to eat at the second table.
Johnny—I'd just as soon. Pa says he ain't half-baked, anyway.

Personal Property.
"I am entitled to my own opinions," remarked the positive man.
"Then," murmured Miss Cayenne, "why scatter them about as if you didn't value them?"

TAKING PRECAUTIONS
The Trusting Bride-Elect: Don't you think you'd better engage some plain clothes detectives to see that none of your friends lift any of our wedding presents?
The Happy Man: Sure! And you notify your kid brother that he'll have to give a surety bond before he can act as ring bearer.

Some Little Help.
I cannot answer questions deep. But while from such a task I shrink, I can at least a silence keep— And let the real people think.

Good Old Days.
"Do you think we are getting back to the good old days?"
"There isn't a doubt of it," replied Senator Sorghum. "People are going into print with perfect confidence with the same old anecdotes that made me laugh in early childhood."

Giving Her Time.
He—Will you—er—that is, I want to ask—
She—Oh, this is so sudden!
He—Don't get excited, please. I am making it just as slow as I can.

True, indeed.
Mason—Do you believe in patriotism?
Russell—Oh, yes, patriotism is all right, but so many people mix politics with their patriotism.—Answers.

Giving Him Publicity.
Ethel—Stella is awfully affectionate at times.
Clara—Goodness, yes! She even kisses her husband in public.

Expert Testimony.
Ted—Tom claims to be quite a golf player. What do you think?
Ned—I'd rather wait until I hear what his caddy says.

Ready to Substitute!
She—I'm just going to hug the fire-place when we get in the parlor!
He—Why do that? I'm a brick!—Wayside Tales.

All-Day Session.
"There's a man from Florida I want to talk business to, but I'll have to put it off until tomorrow."
"What's the trouble?"
"He has just met a chap from California and they're arguing about climate."

Not Uncommon.
"I don't see how actors can simulate a laugh so heartily."
"Nonsense. Don't we do it every day at funny stories we have heard a dozen times?"