

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Tyrone.—Odd Fellows of the Allegheny Region Anniversary Association celebrated the 103d anniversary of the founding of the order in America with a big meeting here April 28.

Lebanon.—The Bethlehem Steel company began the operation of another finishing mill at its plant here, giving employment to 100 men.

Norristown.—The radio craze is keeping a large portion of the Diamond State Fibre company here working day and night to supply parts for apparatus.

Bloomsburg.—Following the elevation of Pope Pius, Mrs. John Bush wrote him a letter congratulating him and mentioned the fact that she was prompted to write by the fact that her family and that of the pope's uncle, the late Joseph Ratti, were intimate friends, and Ratti was godfather of her daughter Tillie. The mail brought an autographed photograph of the pope and a letter in which he sent his special blessing to the family.

Connellsville.—Fayette county authorities are making a determined search to locate a man who is impersonating a foreign-speaking priest and who is said to be threatening the alien miners with excommunication unless they cease work and join the ranks of the strikers. It is reported that the impostor has been active in the vicinity of Connellsville, and every effort is being made to locate him. Previously the same "priest" is said to have worked the same scheme in the West Virginia coal fields.

Scottsdale.—Thirty-one fires this month has led to the belief that a "firebug" has been busy here, and the police are working in an effort to solve the problem. Four fires occurred simultaneously several days ago, the origin of each being undetermined.

Harrisburg.—The state police received a federal license for the broadcasting wireless station just completed at the state arsenal for sending out police information, and Governor Sprout will be asked to send out the first message by Superintendent Adams.

Norristown.—Relatives of Charles Medary, who has been missing for a quarter of a century, turned up in orphans' court here in time to claim a farm at Montgomery Square worth several thousand dollars. The farm would have gone to the state by escheatment had not Samuel Patterson, of Princeton, N. J., appeared and testified before Judge Solly that his wife was the sister of the missing man, who last was heard of in Memphis, Tenn., 25 years ago. With Patterson were two children who are the legal heirs of their uncle's estate.

Uniontown.—Pleading guilty to severely beating a 3-year-old child, Joseph Panzy, of this place, was sentenced to a year in the workhouse.

Roaring Spring.—Run down by an automobile near her home in Everett, Mrs. Martha Trail, aged 55, died in the hospital here.

Scranton.—Jacob Swartz, 50 years old, who shot himself in the mouth several weeks ago in a cell in police headquarters, where he had been taken for a medical examination, died in the State Hospital. Once a prosperous East Scranton merchant, he lost thousands of dollars when mine caves wrecked his properties and worried him until he lost his reason, the authorities say. Swartz expended a considerable amount of money in fighting the coal company he blamed.

Harrisburg.—Commissioner of Labor and Industry Connelley was chosen general chairman of the governmental labor officials' conference scheduled for this city on May 22, at a meeting of the committees in charge, which also arranged for a supplemental program covering employment services and departmental activities to be held in conjunction with the main discussions.

Harrisburg.—The highway department issued a statement following a conference of Assistant Commissioner Bills and Colonel Joseph H. Thompson, commander of the American Legion, that "all state highway department engineers and superintendents have been directed in engaging employees to give first consideration always, all things being equal, to ex-service men."

Hanover.—B. Guy Hollinger was nominated to be postmaster here.

Hazleton.—Suspension of work at the anthracite coal mines has been marked by a corresponding inactivity of the stork, through a peculiar coincidence, according to the officials of the Hazleton State Hospital. The maternity ward at the institution is empty for the first time since its establishment, although it is usually so crowded that applicants had to be turned away.

Sunbury.—The jail population is now 41, the largest at any one time since the Volstead act went into effect.

Allentown.—Kicked by an ox a week ago, Titus Fegley, a farmer living near old Zionsville, this county, is still unconscious.

Bloomsburg.—The fifty-seventh anniversary of Caldwell Consistory, Scottish Rite, was observed here, when degrees were conferred on a class of more than 100.

McAdoo.—Business men here organized a fire company and will finance the purchase of an engine.

Berwick.—A hundred tons of earth, a score of trees and a 30-foot concrete retaining wall, loosened by the rains of the past week, slipped from the hillside above Nescopeck and blocked the road between Nescopeck and Wapwallopen. It is expected to be a week before traffic can be resumed.

Sunbury.—Discovering, she said that her husband is her first cousin, Mrs. James Rainal, of Kulpmont, brought suit in the Northumberland county court asking annulment of their marriage. The couple were married in Columbia county in 1921 and, according to the wife's statement, learned of their relationship within a short time and parted immediately. Under the laws of Pennsylvania persons so closely related are not permitted to wed.

Sunbury.—This town is planning a Saturday night city market.

Jeannette.—Robert Cunningham, of this place, died from injuries received when he fell from a house he was painting.

Bloomsburg.—Harvey A. McKillip, secretary of the Columbia county Republican committee, has been appointed temporary postmaster here.

Lewistown.—The council of St. John's Lutheran church, of this place, increased the salary of Rev. Dr. M. S. Cressman, the pastor, to \$2400 a year.

Yeagertown.—Ellis Garver, of this place, sustained a fracture of the right arm and a dislocated elbow when he fell into a belt while oiling machinery.

Sunbury.—For the second time in as many months, council downed daylight saving by placing a resolution for it on the table.

Connellsville.—All of Connellsville's mail carriers have been furnished with a whistle of a peculiar tone, which they will toot almost continually while delivering the mail on their respective routes in the city. The carriers will use the whistle as a signal to the housewives that mail has been deposited in the mail receptacle in the front of their homes. It has been customary to ring the doorbell as mail was left, but so many peddlers and professional "door bell ringers" have invaded the city and annoyed the residents that the signal was changed.

Allentown.—Fire destroyed the large storage house and garage of the D. G. Derry Silk Company, causing a loss estimated at \$100,000. Machinery, five auto trucks, automobile parts and a large quantity of silk waste used by the government in making note paper were stored in the building and are a total loss. Surrounding buildings caught fire several times and for a time the neighborhood was in great fear that the tanks of the Allentown-Bethlehem Gas company, in an adjoining yard would explode.

Reading.—Skidding on the wet asphalt as the result of another car stopping suddenly in front of him at Fifth and Penn streets, the automobile of William F. Rissmiller swung into the safety zone and struck Miss Estella Hettinger, aged 26, who was waiting for a trolley car. Miss Hettinger sustained a broken neck and her body is completely paralyzed. Rissmiller reported the accident to the police. It was a miracle that others were not struck by the car, as there were a large number of persons in the safety zone. No action has been taken against the autist pending the outcome of the young woman's injuries.

Drums.—Charles Hofland, 38, caretaker of the Charles Straw farm here, was killed when kicked by a horse, and laying under a loaded wagon which passed over his body.

Pittsburgh.—Julius S. Kalapos and Peter Urlick, two boys of Star Junction, walked 80 miles to witness the opening game between St. Louis and Pittsburgh, at Forbes Field, here.

Uniontown.—Never was a more fond embrace and a more effective one recorded in the county than that which saved the life and disfigurement of little Eleanor Goodwin, aged 5 years. The hug was given by the little girl's grandmother, Mrs. Mary Renninger, who grabbed up the child when her clothing caught fire from a gas stove, drew her close to her bosom and smothered the flames, which slowly but surely were creeping closer to vital parts of her body. The fire was not extinguished until both the child and her grandmother were burned, but not seriously. Eleanor and the lower portion of her clothes and her hands burned, as also did Mrs. Renninger, who snatched up the child as the flames enveloped her.

Pittsburgh.—A letter of congratulation from Postmaster General Hubert Work, expressing appreciation of her long and faithful service was received by Mrs. Mary L. Breese, until recently a clerk in the Pittsburgh postoffice and who has been retired at her request. Mrs. Breese is 65 years old, and was appointed for the postal service in 1880. She was named postmistress at Acedemia, Pa., on January 10, 1880, and on March 20, 1892, was transferred to this city, where for a few months she was in the pension bureau. She was first connected with the Pittsburgh postoffice in 1913.

Mt. Carmel.—Joseph Sheptak, aged 7 years, was run over by an automobile while going to school here, and was badly injured.

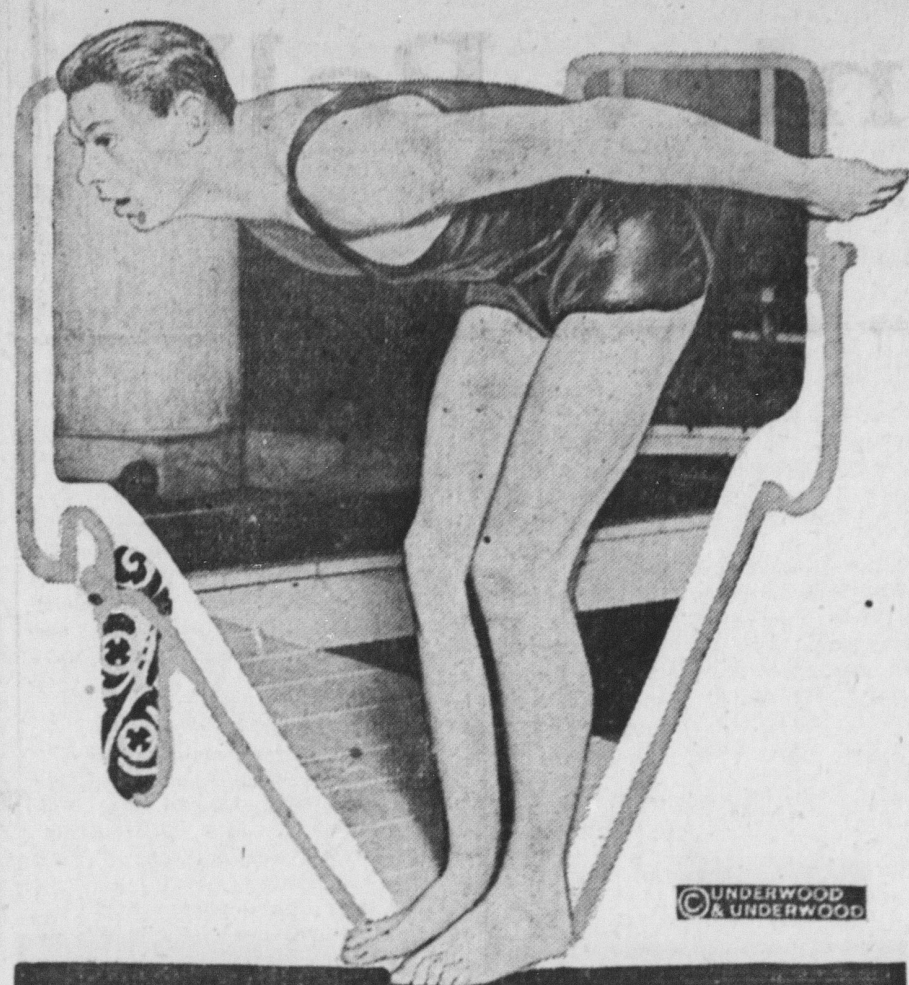
Scottsdale.—Wounds sustained in the Spanish-American war, caused the death of Joseph E. Fulmer, of this place.

Lewistown.—Grocers and meat dealers here have arranged to close their stores Wednesday afternoons until December.

Connellsville.—Run down by a passenger train at Whitsett, John Praha, aged 10, died in a hospital here.

Wilkes-Barre.—The Luzerne county commissioners have paid John Sipple \$12,000 for his 40-acre farm at Drums for the site of the new county tuberculosis hospital.

JOHNNY WEISSMULLER PUTS ANOTHER LARGE DENT IN WORLD'S STANDARD



John Weissmuller of the Illinois A. C., swimming marvel of the age, smashed another world's record for swimming 100 yards in a pool at Columbia university, New York. This swimming wonder made the distance in 53 seconds flat, clipping 1-5 of a second from his own international standard, set at Brighton beach last September, and equalling the world's open water record, held jointly by Duke Kahanamoku and Pua Kealoha of Honolulu.

FORM KNOTHOLE GANGS

One of the best things they are doing in the Texas league is to organize "Knothole Gangs." Membership in the "gang" permits the boys to see Texas league games free the coming season. At an organization meeting in Houston a thousand boys attended and signed up. The boys have to pledge themselves to be decent and square and all that before they are accepted. In Wichita Falls the Rotary club is in charge of the boys' organization.

BARNES SHOWS HOW TO HOLD "ILLUSIVE" PILL



In the reproduction given herewith Jess Barnes of the world's champion Giants illustrates three grips on the ball he uses just before tossing the pellet up to the batter. At the top is shown the way the ball is held for using his baffling roundhouse curve, which had the Yankees whiffing the ozone during the world's series. In the center he is holding the horsehide ready to wing over a fast one. At the bottom the ball is in position for the use of the "float."

BIG SALARIES FOR SOCCERS

Scottish Falkirk Eleven Pays \$25,000 for the Transfer of Sidney C. Puddlefoot.

The sensation of soccer football in Great Britain was the Scottish Falkirk eleven paying \$25,000 to West Ham United for the transfer of Sidney C. Puddlefoot and Hearts of Midlothian paying only a trifle less for Frank Stringfellow, Portsmouth's goal getter. The transactions are to the kicking style of football enthusiasts what "Babe" Ruth's new salary is to baseball players and fans.

SWIMMING RECORD LOWERED

Britisher Makes 500 Meters in 6:15 2-5, Much Faster Than Time Made by Ross.

The world's swimming record of 6 minutes 55 4-5 seconds for 500 meters, held by Norman Ross, U. S. A., was lowered at Middlesborough, England, recently by J. G. Hatfield, the holder of several British championships, who covered the distance in 6 minutes 15 2-5 seconds. Hatfield was timed by officials of the Amateur Swimming association and the effort was made in public.

MOST ARTISTIC RAZZER

George Stallings is as tough a loser in the International as he was in the National league. He is perhaps the most artistic razzer of players in any league. One of his bright young Rochester players stood on third base one day when he had a fair chance to score.

"Well, you sweet-scented scion of the world famous imbecile," he shouted in rage. "There you stand on third when you might have scored. Just stand there a moment longer, you anchored ape, until I picture you."

"Suiting his action to his words he solemnly got out his camera and snapped the hapless player standing tight on the bag which Stallings thought he should have quitted long before.

"DOTS" MILLER WILL INSTRUCT O'CONNELL

Veteran Will Drill Coast Leaguer in Big League Tactics.

Manager John McGraw of New York Giants Was Anxious to Protect His \$75,000 Rookie Playing on San Francisco Team.

An interesting story concerns the appointment of Dots Miller, veteran infielder of the Phils, to the post of manager of the San Francisco club.

Several National league clubs would not waive on Dots and there had to be a lot of pressure to get wolvers. From the Phils? No. From the Giants.

It seems that when John McGraw heard that San Francisco wanted Miller as manager he decided to use all his help possible to have the deal con-

sumated. The reason is obvious. The biggest asset on the San Francisco team is Infielder O'Connell, who cost the Giants \$75,000, and McGraw naturally wants that investment protected.

As Miller is one of the oldest players in point of service in the National league, having been in the circuit continuously since 1909, he reasoned that the expensive rookies would benefit greatly by Dots' knowledge of National league ways and coaching.

In other words, a National league veteran would be of much bigger help to O'Connell than some other selection who did not know National league ways. Therefore, he was eager to see that Dots copped the post.

Miller should be extremely valuable to the San Francisco club, as a player as well as a manager.

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

The Ice Palace of Philadelphia will hold boxing contests all summer.

John James Mackay, 1922, of New York city, has been elected captain of the Yale wrestling team.

F. E. (Red) Byers, varsity guard for two years on the University of Pittsburgh basketball team, has been elected captain of next season's squad.

Evidently the new crop of English featherweights is not ripe, when they trot out Jem Driscoll at the age of forty-one.

Harold E. Rounds, '23, of Malden was elected captain of the Tufts college basketball team for next season. He plays center.

Jim Corbett was an amateur first, but fought as a professional before his reputation extended outside the limits of a San Francisco bank.

Colleges of Japan are taking up all forms of sports. Golf, hockey, rugby and soccer football are among latest to be introduced.

Elmer Oliphant, assistant director of gymnastics and to the physical director at West Point, has signed a contract to become athletic director at Union college.

Gordon Wallace of Rochester has been elected captain of the University of Rochester football team for 1923. John Dunn of Scotsville, N. Y., was made captain of the track team.

Among other collegians who will flock into the St. Louis Cardinals after school is out is a catcher named Joe Ellis. He hails from Texas university at Austin.

Jim Elliott, a recruit southpaw pitcher who has been in training with the St. Louis Browns, goes back to the Three-I league, Manager Lee Fohl having transferred him to Bob Coleman's Terre Haute club.

Manager Fred Mitchell has made it known he is in favor of Clark Griffith's plan for sticking to Florida and the Braves have practically completed arrangements to return to St. Petersburg, Fla., in the spring of 1923.

Ike Boone, the New Orleans outfielder, has a batting pose resembling that of the late "Socksless" Joe Jackson and he promises to make a fight for a berth with the Giants. He led the Southern association last season.

Frank L. Brueky, catcher, sold by the Philadelphia National league club to Portland, Ore., of the Pacific Coast league, for the waiver price, announced that rather than report to the minor league club he would retire from professional baseball.

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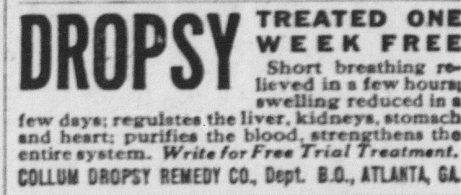


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