

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

York.—For the first time in ten years York is entirely free from diphtheria in May, local Health Director Small stated that the record can be attributed to three years devoted to the health board to seek out and isolate carriers of the disease.

Hazleton.—The tanks of the Atlantic Refining company here were bombarded by three men with revolvers, who fired many shots at the structures, but fled when the police were called. It is thought they planned to start leaks and set fire to the field.

Ellwood City.—The press of the Ellwood City Ledger was wrecked by the stripping of gears, resulting in damage to the extent of \$1500. It is believed that it was the work of political enemies opposed to the attitude taken by the paper in supporting certain candidates. The paper was compelled to suspend publication temporarily.

Harrisburg.—The highway department announced awards of two contracts to the Smetport Construction company, of Union City. One for 22,608 feet, beginning at the southern limit of Meadville, at \$173,128.10, was assigned to the J. C. Devine company, of Alliance, O. The other was for 27,876 feet, beginning at the Crawford-Mercer line and connecting with a route in Venango county, at \$203,136.65.

Pittsburgh.—The tipples at three wagon mines near Turtle Creek, a suburb, were blown up with a loss of approximately \$1500. No one was hurt. The mines have been in operation with small forces since the coal strike was called.

Chester.—The police raided the residence of Joseph Baltrunas and found two stills, one a 140-gallon affair, and a quantity of home-brewed liquor. The stills and liquor were confiscated and Baltrunas was held for a hearing.

Pottsville.—An attempt to kill Alvin Bremmer, of Auburn, was made, he being fired on from ambush as he was walking along a highway. The bullet passed within a hair's breadth of his head, and Bremmer, for the time, was overcome by his narrow escape. He is employed by the Seamless Tube Works at Auburn.

Scranton.—An 11-year-old schoolboy of West Scranton, Roscoe Boyko, was electrocuted when he climbed a tree near a school ground and came in contact with a heavily charged electric wire.

Pottsville.—David Snyder, aged 17, a ball player, died as the result of being hit on the head by a pitched ball while playing up the Schuylkill valley, six miles from here. The ball hit him back of the right ear and he fell unconscious. First aid was administered, but as he failed to recover he was taken to the State Hospital at Fountain Springs, but the physicians found it impossible to revive him. No blame is attached to the pitcher who threw the ball.

Harrisburg.—Fire Warden Dewey Scuderial, of Shenandoah, has made the first claim for the reward offered for the arrest and conviction of a person starting a forest fire. His claim is for \$250 for causing the conviction of two men who were convicted in the Schuylkill county courts. The reward was offered two years ago and this is the first claim.

Point Marion.—Setting off an automatic revolver in cleaning it, Edward Aversman, of Locust Hill, near Point Marion, was shot several times before he could stop the firing. Four shots were discharged, three entering his legs. It is believed that an artery was severed and Aversman, weak from loss of blood, was hurried to the Uniontown Hospital. He told Dr. L. N. Burchinal, of Point Marion, who attended him that he unintentionally discharged the weapon in some manner, and he with other members of the family declared the shooting was entirely accidental.

New Castle.—So scarce has labor become as a result of the resumption of the mills in New Castle, that Contract-Ferry, who is constructing the new Mount Jackson route, south of the city, has appealed to the board of trade here to secure enough men to complete the work which is already behind schedule.

Pittsburgh.—Two unmasked bandits entered a store in the East Liberty district, held up the manager and his two daughters, locked the front door and then leisurely robbed the safe of \$565. They then opened the door, and walking into the street, disappeared in the crowd of noonday shoppers.

Pottsville.—Fifty more men were suspended at the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron shops here in the move for economy being made by the company to cut down its expenses while coal mining is suspended. Seven hundred other men will continue to work three days a week.

Uniontown.—More than 3000 Elks helped to observe the twenty-fifth anniversary of Elkhod here.

Lewistown.—Miss Helen Weber, a junior in the high school here, won the first honors in the first girls' interschool oratorical contest.

Coolspring.—Struck by a base ball as he sat on the front porch of his home reading a newspaper, John Colbert, aged 48, of this place, lost the sight of his right eye.

Fairchance.—Falling over a stake in a foot race, Lewis Cooley, aged 23, of this place, fractured a shoulder and a foot.

New Castle.—Joseph Shatto, editor of the Sharon Telegraph, and Charles E. Perigo, reporter on the same paper, are lying in a critical condition at a local hospital as a result of injuries sustained when an automobile in which they were returning to Sharon after attending a circus here hit a telephone pole. Both suffered skull fractures and were terribly cut on their heads and shoulders. The car was practically demolished.

Harrisburg.—A decrease of six industrial fatalities in April as compared with March, with a marked decline in the number of mine casualties, due to the suspension of mining, was reported by the commissioner of labor and industry. Mining fatalities for April were 38, as compared to 87 in March. Fayette and Schuylkill counties had five each and Westmoreland county six. Other accidents included 47 in general industry and 19 on railroads and other public utilities. Commissioner Connelly said figures on permanent injuries for the month showed the loss of 57 eyes and 25 feet. Compensation awarded on permanent injuries totaled \$230,000.

Pittsburgh.—Jilted after a three years courtship, George West, 26 years old, shot his sweetheart, Miss Elvira Schuman, 22, and her companion, Mrs. Muriel Miller, 35, and then fired a bullet into his own head. The two women were on their way to work on a North Side street when they encountered West. He opened fire immediately. The three were rushed to the Presbyterian hospital here it was announced West and Miss Schuman were in a dying condition. The injury of Mrs. Miller was serious.

Harrisburg.—Appointment of Bishop McDevitt, of the Harrisburg diocese, as chaplain of the Knights of Columbus for Pennsylvania, was announced here by State Deputy Kennedy.

Hazleton.—There has been another heavy migration of aliens from the Lehigh coal field to Europe during the last few days, most of them being Poles, who are returning to their native country to remain permanently. They are accompanied by their families, and believe that Poland offers great opportunities under stabilized conditions following the war.

Lewistown.—John Goss, who has been "bucking" the Armaugh township school board for two years, was liberated from the county jail upon his agreeing to send his children to school and pay the costs of \$50 and a fine of \$5.

Shickshinny.—Authorities are investigating the mysterious fire which destroyed the Methodist church and Grange Hall at Muhlenberg, five miles from here, with a loss of \$6000. The blaze was discovered by the pastor of the church, Rev. George Metzger, when the heat broke the windows and the flames came shooting out. The entire interior then was afire, and the wind swept the flames across the road to the Grange Hall. It was only by the hardest kind of a fight that a dozen other buildings nearby were prevented from burning.

Carpentertown.—Wade Culp, a night fireman in the works of the Mount Pleasant-Connellsville Coke company, was killed when a cage fell 200 feet to the bottom of the shaft.

Venango.—H. E. Bunce, of Olean, N. Y., has been awarded the contract to build 28,282 feet of road between here and Saegertown for \$226,298.05.

Lewistown.—Roy Estworthy, 12 years old, accidentally struck on the head by a twelve-pound shot at the high school athletic grounds here, remained unconscious five hours.

York.—Authorities here are trying to find the source of a stream of counterfeit half dollars pouring into local stores.

Lancaster.—Members of the Lancaster board of education have endorsed the movement to place a loan of \$1,225,000 before the taxpayers for their approval.

White Haven.—A raiding bear visited the farm of C. W. Strauck, at Pike's Peak (near here, for three successive nights and destroyed beehives to get the honey.

Harrisburg.—Harry A. Nye, director of personnel of the General Electric company at Erie, has been named to fill the vacancy on the state industrial board caused by the death of Dr. A. L. Garver, of Blair county. Dr. Garver was representative of employees on the state board.

Huntingdon.—M. H. Canan, of Altoona, was appointed a member of the board of managers of the State Industrial Reformatory here.

Connellsville.—By actual count it was discovered that nearly 50 per cent of the high school girls here have been hit by the bobbed-hair craze.

Shenandoah.—A small cut and infected finger, the infection spreading through his body, caused the death of Charles F. Stauffenberger, 47 years old.

Hazleton.—Miss Genevieve Rosenblum has been selected as valedictorian at the high school here and Miss Mary Britt will be salutatorian.

Mt. Carmel.—Running into the street in front of an automobile here, John Wayne, 5 years old, was run down and seriously injured.

Lewistown.—L. P. Stannert, proprietor of a cafe here, was exonerated of a charge of selling and having intoxicants in his possession illegally at a hearing before Justice of the Peace Kase.

Lewistown.—One thousand Russian mulberry trees have been received by the Lewistown Rod and Gun Club to be planted in fruiting food for wild birds.

Laurytown.—A herd of deer consisting of two bucks, six does and a fawn have taken up their abode on the farm of Ell Reinholdt, in the Laurytown valley.

MANAGER STALLINGS ASSERTS HE HASN'T TALKED TRADE WITH TIGERS



Stallings and His Crack Outfielder Archdeacon.

George Stallings, owner of the Rochester International league baseball club, denies that Outfielder Archdeacon of his club would go to the Detroit Americans for two other players and a cash consideration.

"No less than 17 clubs are after Archdeacon," said Stallings, "and I haven't even talked to Detroit about such a deal. At the end of the year I may sell my whole ball club, but right now I do not propose to sell a single player."

Chinese Golfer Will Tour United States

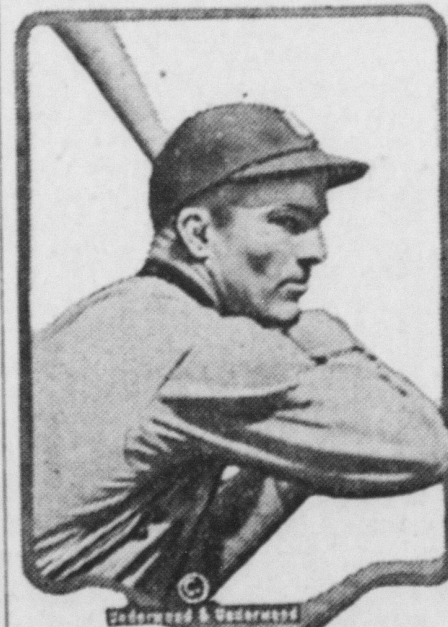
Hawaii, having given the world many of its phonograph tunes, the hula-hula dance, canned pineapples and such swimming stars as Duke Kahanamoku, the Keoloh brothers and George Cubna, now is offering a Chinese golfer.

Charles Chung, nineteen, who was runnerup in the Hawaiian championship last year, will tour the United States this year, entering various golf tournaments, accompanied by Francis Brown, a wealthy sugar planter, and Doc Adams, a golf writer from the Hawaiian islands.

PLAY STEPHENSON AT THIRD

Being Groomed to Succeed Larry Gardner at Hot Corner—Ready to Fill Position.

Riggs Stephenson is being groomed as a successor to Larry Gardner, third baseman of the Cleveland Indians. Stephenson came into prominence last year when Bill Wambanzans and sever-



Riggs Stephenson.

eral substitutes were injured and he played a sensational game at second base the first few weeks of the season. Stephenson is a natural slugger and it is predicted that when Gardner retires he will be ready to fill the position.

ORIENTALS TAKE UP BOXING

One of Big Chinese Colleges Engages British Instructor to Teach "Manly Art."

China is progressing athletically, as well as in other ways, boxing now being taken up quite generally throughout the new republic.

One of the biggest colleges there has engaged a British instructor in the "manly art," while some of the clubs have also taken up the boxing game.

At a recent college meet there a number of bouts were put on and several of the Orientals showed considerable promise.

FOUR CAPTAINS IN LINE-UP

Leaders of Hockey, Basketball and Football Are Among Members of Baseball Team.

On the Harvard baseball nine are four varsity captains, and all of them were members of the first football squad last year.

Arthur Conlon is captain of the nine. George Owens, who plays first base, leads this winter's hockey team, and Lou Gordon, captain of the basketball team, plays right field. Charley Buell, captain-elect of the football team, is a substitute for second base.

Baseball Notes

The Vernon club has shipped Pitcher Elmer Hill to the Beaumont club.

The Pittsburgh club sold Pitcher Lyle Bigbee outright to the Milwaukee club.

The next improvement in radio service will be to broadcast the score by innings.

The Shreveport club has given Pitcher Hick Farrel his unconditional release.

The veteran Deacon Phillippi is helping Bill Powell coach his pitchers on the Flint team.

Don't you sometimes wonder what a man with an umpire's talents does for a living in winter?

Manager Connie Mack of the Athletics has signed Bart McMillan, pitcher, of the University of Texas.

The Denver club of the Western has bought Bobby Coltrin, shortstop, from the Bloomington club of the Three-I.

The Little Rock club has released Catcher Gerald Weggs to Joplin of the Western Association to help out Gabby Street.

Rutgers College has appointed Edward Phelps, former National league catcher, to assist in coaching its baseball team.

The St. Louis Nationals released outright to Houston of the Texas league Pitcher Arthur Reinhart, a southpaw.

It didn't take Manager George Gibson long to discover that the shift in fields for Max Carey and Carson Bigbee would not do.

"Chick" Fewster, of the New York Yankees, was fined \$1 by a judge in Washington for driving an automobile without a license.

The Salt Lake team is finally fixed up behind the bat, Butch Byler, who has been holding out, making up his mind to rejoin the team.

Manager Bill Killefer of the Cubs decided to keep Barney Friberg for awhile and sent infielder Benny Vivelros to Los Angeles instead.

The Rochester Internationals and Sacramento Coasters have made a deal by which Rochester gets the recalcitrant Harry Lunte, infielder.

Ollie Pickering, a youngster of fifty-three, is to manage a team in the Kitty league and perhaps take a turn in the outfield or pinch hit occasionally.

The Salt Lake club has released Bill Thompson, minor leaguer, who tried to pull a comeback after spending two or three years in industrial ball.

New Haven club purchased Frank Woodward, leading strike-out hurler of the Eastern league last year, from the Washington club of the American league.

The Atlanta club gets another bit of medicine from Commissioner Landis, who for some reason or other has refused to reinstate Erskine Mayer.

Alfred Nehf, a cousin of Art Nehf of the New York Giants, won't make his mark in baseball just yet. He has been released by the Terre Haute club after a brief trial.

Umpires signed for the Nebraska State league include the veteran John Goding, one time catcher in the Western league, and Earl Snyder, also with some reputation in minor league ball.

Connie Mack Selects All-Star Ball Team

Connie Mack was asked to pick the best baseball combination of all time, and these were his selections: Buck Ewing, catcher; Christy Mathewson and Rube Waddell, pitchers; George Sisler, first base; Eddie Collins, second base; Hans Wagner, shortstop; Jimmy Collins, third base; Fred Clarke, left field; Tris Speaker, center field; Ty Cobb, right field. It will be noted that Mack, though he has seen them all for 30 years, rather favors the moderns.

YOUTHFUL MENACE IN FIELD OF ATHLETICS

Mere Infant in Teens Holds Goodly Share of Records.

Host of Youngsters Have Been Showing Their Heels to Their Elders in Their Respective Branches of Sport.

What chance have the old folks in their twenties or the senile athletes who have passed the thirty-year mark with the host of mere infants in their teens who hold such a goodly share of athletic records and consider it no achievement at all to smash a record almost at will?

There is Johnny Weissmuller who at seventeen lays claim to no less than 18 world's records in the water, and is said to be the greatest swimmer of all times; Bud Houser, also seventeen, who defeated Pat McDonald in the shot-put with ease; Vincent Richards, not yet twenty, and almost a veteran on the tennis courts; Glenn Collett, the eighteen-year-old golfing phenom-



Vincent Richards.

non; Bobby Jones, wonder golfer, still in his teens; Eileen Riffin, a member of the Olympic team and winner of the world's fancy diving championship at the tender age of fourteen; Helen Walwright and Ethelda Bleibtrey, both expert swimmers.

These and a host of others have been showing their heels to their elders in their respective branches of sport and hanging up new records with surprising ease and frequency.

Does it mean that there is a new era in American athletics with youth reigning supreme? If so, what will these juveniles do to present records when they have attained their full powers? Will they accomplish seemingly impossible marks or will they be forced to bow to another and younger generation?

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

Grace Direct, 2:00%, now eligible to the 2:03 class, is being named at several Grand Circuit meetings.

For indorsing a brand of floor varnish, Duke Kabanamoku, Hawaiian swimmer, may be disbarred as an amateur.

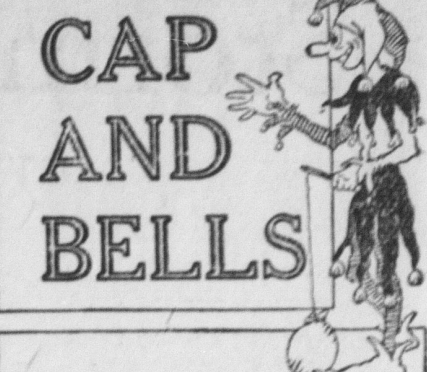
David S. Sheldon '23, Bloomfield, N. J., has been elected captain of the varsity gymnasium team at Princeton university.

Ex-Balkline Billiard Champion William F. Hoppe contemplates opening academies in various eastern cities in the near future.

Johnny Weissmuller, swimming star of the Illinois A. C., broke two more world's records at the Culver Military Academy pool at Culver, Ind.

Mel Suttner, the Syracuse university runner, who won the Millrose 600-yard event, will soon start training for the intercollegiate championships.

William R. Stephenson of Duluth, Minn., member of the junior class, has been elected captain of the Williams college hockey team for next year.



PUBLIC BUILDINGS

"If I decide to settle in your beautiful and enterprising community," said the plausible stranger, "I shall raise funds to build a jail and a hospital."

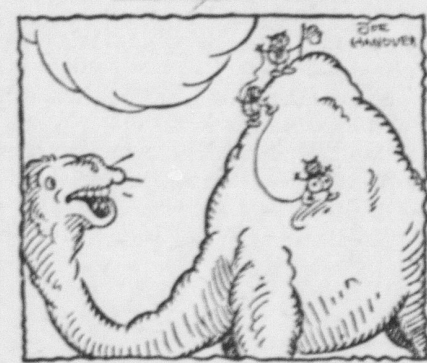
"That's mighty kind of you," replied Cactus Joe. "But I wouldn't waste much money on the jail. Justice works fast in Crimson Gulch, and when there's any sure-enough trouble all we have much real need of is the hospital."

Advice From an Expert.

"I understand a burglar tried to rob the apartment of a celebrated writer of detective stories while he was at work."

"Did the burglar get away with anything?"

"No. By the time the author had finished pointing out the crudity of his methods he vowed he would abandon the housebreaking profession and learn how to drive a taxicab."



EUREKA!

Bud Explorer—Murray fellows, we have reached the pinnacle of Mt. Dromedary at last!

Little Footprints.

Lives of centipedes remind us That they've got us beat each time—Think of all the little footprints They leave on the sands of time!

Oratorical Equipment.

"If a man has a knowledge of Shakespeare and the Bible, is he well educated?"

"I don't know about that," said the practical campaigner, "but he has the material at hand to make a corking good political speech and impress the voters with the sincerity of his motives."

A Modest Attitude.

"You are always successful in being re-elected."

"I don't take as much credit for that fact as I used to," replied Senator Sorghum. "I come from a prosperous community. Anybody competent to fill the position wouldn't regard my salary as an inducement to become a competitor."

Suspicious.

"What was that collector arguing about?" asked Mrs. Slopap. "Didn't you tell him that I wasn't at home?"

"Yessum. I told him," replied the maid, "but he wouldn't believe me. Why, he acted like he wouldn't have believed it if you had told him yourself with your own mouth."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Usual Way.

"How was the vase smashed, Mary?" said the master.

"If you please, sir," said Mary, "it tumbled down and broke itself!"

"Humph! The automatic break again!"—Pensons' Weekly.



BUT YOU MUST HUSTLE

"Pa, what is success?"

"Something that every man can have if he'll go after it."

Polite, But—

It may be polite, But not pleasant a bit To have creditors write On your bills: "Please remit!"

Did He Catch On?

Blaise Young Caller—Everything bores one nowadays. Worst of it is, when I'm bored I can't help showing it.

Miss Bright (laughing)—Oh, but you should learn to disguise your feelings under the mask of gayety, as I do."

Can Qualify.

"Does longevity run in your family, Miss Spriggs?"

"That it does, dear. Why, my brother Bill was six foot two and Albert he was six foot seven, and father was six foot four. Couldn't have much more longevity than that, could yer?"—London Tit-Bits.

Common Sense.

"Jack Newlyriche seems to have quite a bit of common sense."

"Don't let his mother hear you say that; she hates anything common."