

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

**Hazleton.**—"A woman in black" who lately caused a great scare at West Hazleton has invaded this city, according to the police, operating on the outskirts late at night and pursuing girls returning home from dances and theatres. It is suspected that the supposed "woman" is a man in female attire, but efforts so far have failed to run down the mysterious character.

**Harrisburg.**—Bernard Callaghan, John Roach, Ray Botherton, Charles Hawke and Bernard McHugh, of Wilkes-Barre, pre-empted the title of Union Labor party for Luzerne county. They gave notice of nominating candidates for the legislature, congress and state offices to be voted for at the November election.

**Mercer.**—John Frankovich, former member of the Ferrell council, convicted of selling liquor, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$500 and serve five months in the Allegheny county workhouse. Frankovich was also convicted of conspiracy to extort, but sentence was withheld on that count, pending an appeal for a new trial.

**Uniontown.**—Unless nearly \$8000 is forthcoming from C. W. Johnson or some of his friends within the next day or two, Sheriff I. I. Shaw will, according to a statement just made, establish a precedent by a public sale of whisky. The sheriff states that the \$50,000 worth of whisky, wine, gin and other liquors now in a Pennsylvania railroad boxcar on the Church street siding, virtually in the center of the city, and within a few yards of two churches, will be sold unless the money is forthcoming. An attachment has been issued by the sheriff for the \$2500 bond which C. W. Johnson skipped when sentenced to the Allegheny county workhouse for an alleged sale of liquor, and also for a note which is said to amount to about \$3000.

**Kittanning.**—Judge King, has set July 15 as the time limit for counsel to file briefs in the appeal of Mrs. Amelia Whann, convicted of conspiring to kill her husband, for a new trial. The defense contended that the verdict of guilty was the result of "passion and prejudice shown by the spectators in the courtroom" during the trial. Supporting the appeal, counsel for Mrs. Whann called the jurors who convicted her. The testified that they read accounts of the trial during the procedure, but were not influenced by them. Calling the jurors to testify in the proceedings was the first incident of the kind in the history of Armstrong county.

**Greensburg.**—A coroner's jury exonerated Deputy Sheriff John McNeely, who killed George Watcotech, a coal miner, at Saleville. The deputy shot in self defense when he was attacked by the miner, the jury held. McNeely went to the Watcotech home to arrest him for a minor infraction of the law. He said he fired when the miner attacked him with an ax.

**Allentown.**—The largest amount involved in a suit brought in the local courts in some years, is asked as damages by William D. Cosson, of this city, who instituted proceedings against the Belt Insurance company, of El Paso, Ill., to receive \$75,000 for alleged breach of contract in taking the agency from him.

**Uniontown.**—Fleeing guilty to robbing lovers as they walked along or sat on the side of Wills road, on the outskirts of Connellsville, John Perry, aged 19, was sentenced by Judge Van Swearingen to spend from 15 to 20 years in the Western Penitentiary. The young man admitted the robberies, declaring that he wanted enough money to take him to Europe to see his mother, from whom he had been separated since early childhood. The lad showed no outward sign of emotion when the sentence was pronounced.

**Lansdale.**—Women who formed an auxiliary to the volunteer fire department more than a year ago when it was in need of funds and in various ways raised more than \$3000 have gone on strike and have told the firemen they are through. They declare they have not been justly treated by the chief of the department, Frank Couter.

**Hazleton.**—Two 11-year-old boys were captured by Officer Tony Stephens masquerading as the "Woman in Black" whose antics in following women, created a panic among the fair sex in Hazleton and West Hazleton the past week. Women were afraid to go out after dark because of the mysterious individual. When Stephens collared the "Woman in Black" hiding in an alley, "she" broke in half. One boy stood on the other's shoulders and over the two was draped a big black curtain. The lads claimed they did the trick just for fun and that they had practiced for some time before they were able to navigate with one superimposed upon the other.

**Connellsville.**—While playing circus in the backyard of his home here with a number of youngsters, Melvin Solsen suffered a fracture of the right leg.

**Hazleton.**—Knights of Columbus here have launched a movement to buy a home.

**Shenandoah.**—Burglars entered the H. L. Golden clothing store here and took away more than \$1000 worth of goods in automobiles.

**Lancaster.**—Mrs. Emma F. Shimp, 70 years old, of Greentree, this county, died suddenly while eating dinner at her home.

**Bath.**—Mrs. Estella Greiner, aged 41, of this place, suffered a fractured spine, the result of a fall from a tree from which she was picking cherries.

**Hazleton.**—Hazleton Lodge, No. 200, B. P. O. E., has purchased the John A. Barton mansion for \$55,000, and will build a home on the site next year.

**Bellefonte.**—James Distefano, of Blair county, was electrocuted at the Rockview Penitentiary, going to the chair at 7.08 A. M. and being pronounced dead seven minutes later by Dr. Robert J. Campbell. Distefano was convicted of murdering Carlo Caffarelli, whom he charged was too intimate with his wife. Every effort was made to save Distefano's life, but the courts declined to interfere. The body was unclaimed.

**Altoona.**—The Altoona Wholesale Merchants' Association has been organized, with Harry Slutzker president.

**Sunbury.**—The Susquehanna House, for more than 50 years a hotel here, was sold to G. C. Weaver for \$6100.

**Lewistown.**—Twenty-seven public schools in Mifflin county had an average attendance in excess of 95 per cent for the term.

**Clearfield.**—A dozen men employed by the state highway department to whitewash posts and trees along the roads in this section walked out after they were refused a wage increase of seven and one-half cents an hour. The men demanded an advance from 27½ cents to 35 cents.

**Harrisburg.**—Fourteen bears have been trapped under the supervision of the state game commission in Potter county his year and have been scattered among state game preserves in the state. Most of the bears trapped have been liberated along the crest of the Allegheny mountain, but a few have been placed in game sanctuaries on both sides of the Alleghenies. Two cubs were liberated in the South Mountain district within thirty miles of Harrisburg. A number of sheep have been carried off by the bears recently and several bears have been dispatched by farmers in Potter county under the property owners' law, permitting destruction of game caught destroying property or livestock.

**Butler.**—The western district of the Twenty-eighth Division, Society of World War Veterans, was organized here by officers of the national guard. General A. J. Logan, of Pittsburgh, was elected president; Colonel C. B. Smathers, of Grove City, vice president, and Major R. Jacobs, of Erie, secretary.

**Lancaster.**—City and county children of pre-school age will be cared for physically under a plan of the local child welfare division, state board of health. Fourteen health centers have been established and more are to be opened.

**Uniontown.**—Frank C. Monaghan, a well-known local business man, went in his private automobile to Pittsburgh, where he entered the Allegheny county workhouses to serve a one-year sentence for violation of the Brooks law. His son drove the machine, which also carried former Sheriff P. A. Johns, Dr. P. F. Smith and Warden H. A. Garley. Monaghan is known as one of the wealthiest men in Fayette county. Shortly after his arrest, he put through a \$40,000 real estate deal while confined in jail here.

**Easton.**—When an automobile driven by John Toth, of Pen Argyl, went over a twelve-foot embankment at East Bangor, Ethel Hughes, aged 16, of Bangor, received a skull fracture and died while being brought to the Easton Hospital.

**Harrisburg.**—Investigation is being made by the state department of agriculture into the killing of 500 chickens owned by Earl E. Dyer, of Greencastle, believed due to some white tablets he obtained from a veterinarian. The department laboratory analyzed the tablets and is making tests.

**Hazleton.**—While Hazleton has been selected by the Six County Firemen's Association for the 1923 convention and parade, officers of the local fire department declared that this city is not in shape to entertain the gathering. The executive committee will be asked to designate Mount Carmel, which sought the meet for next year. It is claimed that on account of extensive paving and building operations in Hazleton in 1923 the streets will be torn up considerably and will not be in shape for any demonstration.

**Sunbury.**—Samuel Weiner, who owns the only bathing beach house between Harrisburg and Williamsport, along the Susquehanna river, known as Sandy Beach, has taboed one-piece bathing suits. "None will be rented from my bathhouse," he asserted. "They are taboo and I never will tolerate them." Sandy Beach has been popular among bathers for years and has been noted for its conservative costumes, it was asserted.

**Altoona.**—Reports received by the Central Coal Association indicate a steady increase in coal production in the central Pennsylvania field. For the week ending June 17, 3577 cars were loaded as against 3456 for the week ending June 10, and 2726 for the week ending June 3. All told 8554 cars were loaded from June 1 to June 18 as against 6632 for the same period in May.

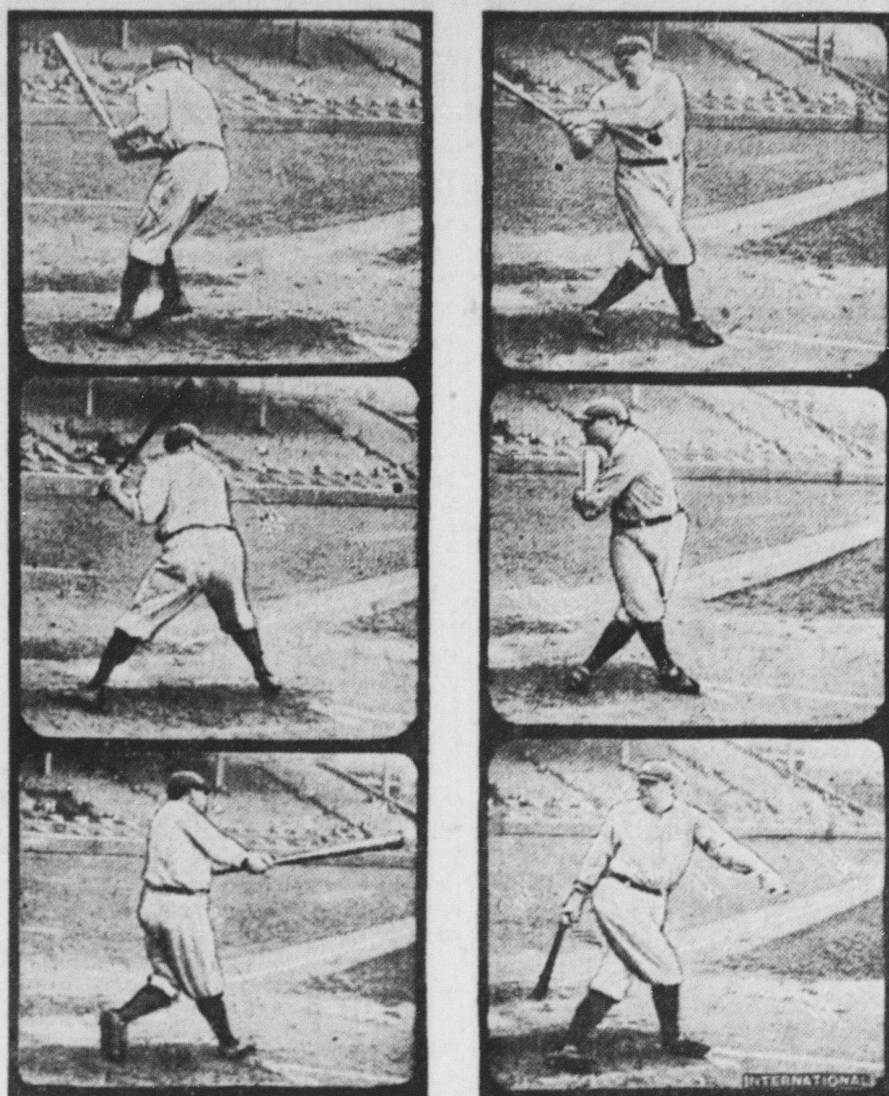
**Altoona.**—R. E. Laramy, of this city, and George H. Weiss, of Pottsville, have been nominated for members of the state teachers' retirement board.

**Hazleton.**—Hundreds of idle miners have found employment on street paving here.

**Sunbury.**—Police Chief Smith, here, found an automobile stolen from N. O. Siglin, of Shamokin, at Edgewood Park.

**Bedford.**—William Clingerman has been appointed justice of the peace for Mann township, this county, to fill a vacancy caused by the death of George E. Morse.

## RUTH WILL MURDER LOW CURVE BALLS



An "Action-Graph" of Babe Ruth, the Mighty Slugger, Completing His Swing Which Has Resulted in So Many Home Runs. The First Three Cuts at the Left Picture the First Motions of the Swing, the Three Cuts at the Right Showing the Powerful Follow-Through Employed by the Bambino.

"Babe Ruth is a 'bust'!" The pitchers have got his number. He won't hit anything like he did last year, either in the number of home runs or in his average for ordinary base hits," said a veteran Polo ground habitue after seeing Walter Johnson toy with the Big Hitter in the game in which the Griffins beat the Yanks.

"And he won't get the number of bases on balls he had forced on him in the two years he has been smashing out his four-baggers. They are not afraid of him any more. They know what he can't hit. You don't see any one sending him along to first now, do you?"

"The change dates back to the world series. The Giant pitchers found out what he doesn't like—a low, slow curve across the inside of the plate. They'll get him on that many a time this year."

And a lot more to the same general effect. The Babe has a weakness, the boys declare, and the pitchers are going to pitch to it and wreck all chance for even a second-rate home run record for 1922.

**Go Easy, You Pitchers.**  
Good advice to the pitchers who think the Babe can't hit a low ball, curve or no curve, inside or outside

the plate, is—stop, look and listen! Feed the Babe low, slow balls and some of the best golfing records in this country are going to be broken. Likewise, some of our best known infielders are liable to lose arms or legs. He can hit low ones and when he does, they go.

He golfed one at the St. Louis park last August and it cleared a high wire screen, a high bleacher stand, a row of houses and some trees outside the grounds. One he caught at his shoe tops went over the flagpole on the top of the right field stands at the Brush stadium. It was a knee-high ball that produced the record rap in Comiskey park, Chicago. This one cleared the stands in deep right and then bounded an eighth of a mile through a playground. At Galveston this spring Sherry Smith served up one of his low underhanders and the ball went out of the park and almost to the Gulf of Mexico, half a mile away.

These are only a few instances. Ask the Babe's teammates and they will tell you that the slugger "likes" them low. Ask him and he will tell you that he "likes" them anywhere. He believes he can hit anything, and there is the secret of his strength.

### Hangs Up Odd Record.

Glenn McNally, shortstop for Joplin, hung up an odd record in the first series of three games at Fort Smith. He did not have an assist in the three games until the fifth inning of the third game. Then a ground ball was sent at him. He let it get through and was charged with an error.

### SPRING TRAINING URGED BY MANAGER HUGH DUFFY



Manager Hugh Duffy.

Hugh Duffy, manager of the Boston Red Sox, believes that any good baseball player who foregoes his spring training work will suffer for his delinquency in that season. In support of this contention, Duffy points to Captain Derril Pratt of the Sox, who had no spring training a year ago, but who this spring worked early and often at Hot Springs.

"Pratt is a rejuvenated man this season," says Duffy. "The effect of the baths he took and of the work the former Yankee did this spring is being shown by him not only at bat but in the field. He is a much livelier and younger player than the Pratt who covered second base last season."

### Golf Golden Rule.

The etiquette of golf is simply an application of the golden rule. Do for others on the golf course as you would have them do for you, and you will live in peace and happiness with your fellow golfers.

### GOLF TITLEHOLDERS FACE SEVERE TESTS

Competition of Stars This Year Expected to Be Keen.

Possession of Championship Crown Is Something of Uncertainty These Days—Jesse Guilford's Chances Believed Promising.

Although the important golf fixtures of the season are some distance away, the performances during the winter and spring season in the South indicate that the competition is going to be keener than ever in the title events. A golf crown is something of an uncertain possession these days. For instance, not one of the champions of 1920 retained title honors in last summer's swift competition.

In England, Duncan gave way to Jock Hutchinson in the British open; Jim Barnes took the title held by Ted Ray in the open here; Jesse Guilford deposed Chick Evans in the amateur; Marion Hollins took the honors so often held by Alexa Stirling. In the British amateur, Willie Hunter displaced Cyril Tolley.

How many of these title holders will be able to retain their high places during the coming season?



Jesse Guilford.

Not since 1912-1913, when Jerome Travers took the amateur title two seasons in a row, has any amateur champion been able to repeat. Guilford's chances of accomplishing this feat are promising.

With the hitting power of a Babe Ruth on the tee and the sure, light touch of a Jake Schaefer on the green, he will be a difficult man to stop at Brookline. Outmet looms up as a strong possibility this season, as he will be playing on the same course where in 1913 he made golf history by defeating Vardon and Ray.

### INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

Gordon Pohlman of Ames has been elected track captain of the Iowa State college track team for 1923.

Carnegie Tech Athletic council, at a recent meeting, decided unanimously to adopt the freshmen rule next year.

Myron E. Fuller has been chosen assistant coach to J. D. E. Jones as the final member of the Yale university football staff for next fall.

The gross receipts of the Bill Brennan-Jim Tracey bout are reported at \$18,433.70. Brennan was paid \$4,755.74 and Tracey received \$2,387.87.

Miss Cecil Leitch, former English golf champion, will be unable to compete in the American women's championship owing to an injured arm.

E. C. Wilson, '23, has been elected track captain; B. M. Barrett, '24, baseball captain, and Wayland Hicks, '23, basketball captain for next year at the University of Iowa.

Harold B. Lever of Ilion, N. Y., a member of the junior class, has been elected captain of the University of Pennsylvania track team for next year.

The Association of College Track Coaches of America has gone on record as in favor of prohibiting freshman competition in the annual intercollegiate A. A. A. championship games.

Boxing is growing very popular in Japan and a number of Pacific coast boxers are preparing to go to that country. But only small men are welcome, as the Japs don't care to see the big fellows bump each other off.

# Adrift With Humor

ONE QUALIFIED TO ADVISE

Wife (reading from newspaper)—"Refined couple," says an advertisement, "will adopt healthy girl not more than three years old," etc.

Husband (who walked the floor with baby last night)—I admire the parental instinct of this good man and woman, but I'd like to give them this parental advice: Don't take on a child until after it has passed the teething period.—London Answers.

### Subduing a Parent.

"Daughter, you have been running around with young Filpison for weeks, but you haven't introduced him to me yet."

"Father, you and Augustus couldn't have anything in common."

"I ventured to hope that we had a mutual interest in you, but let him continue to regard me as a stranger. I'm a little behind the times, I fear."

### A Good Test.

Maud—I don't know whether Charley really loves me or not.

Her Brother—What did you give him for a birthday present the other day?

Maud—A box of cigars.

Her Brother—Did he smoke them?

Maud—Yes.

Her Brother—Then you may be sure he loves you.

### They Filled the Bill.

Mrs. Newrich — (returning from town)—We went very swiftly all the way.

Caller—But traveling in a fast auto, how could you get any idea of the country?

Mrs. Newrich—Oh, I bought a lot of picture postal cards every place we stopped at.

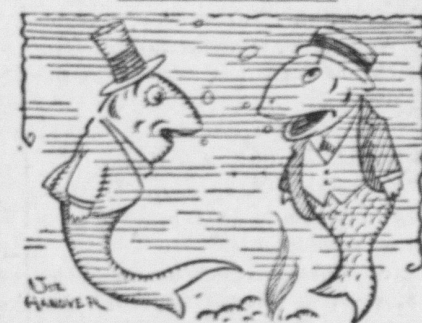
### Still Poor.

"I understand you've been trying your luck in Wall street."

"Yes," replied Mr. Dubwaite, thoughtfully.

"How did you come out?"

"I discovered that my luck hasn't changed any since I used to get licked for what other boys did in school."



### OF COURSE

"You say he has hydrophobia?"

"Sure, he was bitten by a mad dog-fish!"

### The Tyro.

"A little learning is a dangerous thing." As proof, pray take the case of some sweet maid when first she learns to decorate her face.

### Must Inherit It.

"There goes a man who has just paid a fortune for a single postage stamp."

"It's a mystery to me."

"A mystery?"

"Yes—how a person who is capable of doing a thing like that accumulates the money to do it with."

### One-Sided Argument.

"You are invited to criticize the service," said the dining car steward, "if you will write a letter and give your name and address."

"That isn't an invitation to criticize," rejoined the weary traveler.

"That's an invitation to get into a literary discussion with some one who has probably had all kinds of experience."

### Postal Belligerency.

"I'm going to write a scorching letter to my landlord," remarked Mr. Jibway.

"If you want to call him hard names why don't you talk to him face to face, like a man."

"I can't make his weight, but I'll send the letter by special delivery to show him I'm in earnest."

### Money Talks.

"You scorn my suit? My beauty proud, I'll bring you to the dust," he vowed.

"You might have better fared," quoth she, "if you had brought the 'dust' to me."

### A Poor Rick.

"I don't blame you for turning out 'best sellers' and getting rich at it," said the author's friend, "but you ought to write something for posterity."

"Can you imagine me buying a motor car and telling the dealers to charge it to posterity?"

### Father Gets Funny.

"Pa, what kind of relations are 'diplomatic relations'?"

"The kind our wives seldom have, my son."