

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Harrisburg.—Pennsylvania this year will produce 60,000 bushels of certified seed potatoes that will be equal to the best grown anywhere in the country, according to Secretary of Agriculture Rasmussen. Until last year certified Pennsylvania potatoes were unknown. When the project was started last year 25,000 bushels were grown, and the results obtained were so excellent that this year growers greatly increased the acreage. Practically the entire crop of 60,000 bushels this year will be produced in Cambria and Potter counties and practically all these potatoes will be used for planting within the state next year.

Butler.—Robert Billings, 29 years old, in custody here on a charge of robbery, has confessed that he robbed the postoffice at Racine last Monday, postal official announced. The prisoner will be turned over to the government agents. Billings was questioned regarding other recent postoffice robberies in Pennsylvania.

Shenandoah.—A fall down a cellar-way killed 10-year-old James Rowan.

East Prospect.—Fifty dollars in bills were burned when flames destroyed the home of Jacob K. Leonard, near here.

Bloomington.—Paid admissions at the sixty-ninth Columbia County Fair were 53,130, 4526 more than the high record made in 1917.

Lewistown.—John W. Copeland, 55 years old, died suddenly from cerebral hemorrhage while on a street car returning from work.

Brownsville.—Stepping directly in the path of an automobile, Bertha Hann, aged 5 years, was instantly killed.

Harrisburg.—Application has been made for a pardon for Malena Massa, convicted of murder in Schuylkill county in 1918.

Marietta.—While reading a newspaper, Mrs. Anna C. Mann suffered a stroke of paralysis and died almost instantly.

Pomeroy.—Harry Shimp, aged 48, of Arglen, was instantly killed when he was struck by the fast New York express on the Pennsylvania railroad near here.

Erie.—Six members of the crew of the fishing tug Saturn were rescued in Lake Erie six miles east of Erie, when the craft suddenly sprang a leak and foundered. The crew was taken off by the tug Ruth L., which was in the vicinity. The Saturn was on its way to the fishing grounds and was four miles from shore when the engine room began to flood as a plank under the boilers loosened.

Erie.—Justifiable homicide was the verdict rendered by a coroner's jury inquiring into the killing Saturday night of Ralph C. Stough by his young wife. Stough's father testified that his son told him before he died that he had threatened to kill his wife and the two small children with a butcher knife when she seized a gun and shot him five times.

Pittsburgh.—An arrangement by which the manufactured moonshine for a storekeeper, who, in exchange, gave her groceries and materials for the mash, was disclosed in police court here by Mrs. Kate Mahallo, a widow. The woman, charged with operating a still, was fined \$100 with the option of thirty days in jail. She told the magistrate that when she found it hard to support her two small children she made the agreement with the grocer.

Scranton.—The mangled body of a young man, believed to be Nicholas Schraudenbach, Morristown, N. J., was found on the Lackawanna tracks at Moscow. Railroad officials believe the man was run down or fell from a freight train.

Brownsville.—Seven miners, caught under two falls of slate in the Maxwell mine of the H. C. Frick Coke company near here, were injured, three seriously. Doctors believe that Dewey Rankin's neck is broken, while Steve Ritsky and Edward Queen suffered probable fractures of the back.

Sunbury.—Because of the prevalence of diphtheria two of the public schools here have been closed.

Harrisburg.—Mrs. Bertha V. Campbell, widow of Senator James M. Campbell, of Mercer, was appointed by Auditor C. Neal Lewis investigator of deaths for Mercer county.

Brownsville.—Anton Kushlan, of this place, who entered a plea of guilty to a charge of selling liquor, was sentenced to six months in the Allegheny county workhouse and fined \$500.

Wilkes-Barre.—Seventeen acres of land were purchased by the city and added to Kirby Park.

Mount Wolf.—Stricken with apoplexy while riding in an automobile, William V. Brown, 85 years old, of this place, died before medical aid could be summoned.

Connellsville.—Scores of families of striking miners in the coke region here will be housed in frame barracks during the winter.

White Haven.—Laborers on the Laurytown-White Haven-Weatherly county road have struck for a wage increase to 53½ cents an hour.

Brownsville.—Missing for about a week, the remains of Andrew Karuson, a ferryman here, were found floating in the Monongahela river between Vestaburg and Labelle.

Erie.—Unable to stand further brutality, Mrs. Autumn Stough fatally shot her husband.

Harrisburg.—The first compilation of township laws has been completed by the legislative reference bureau. It is a volume with more than 500 pages of text, including the general township act of 1917 and covering first and second class townships. "The compilation covers every act in force, together with considerable history and the decisions," said Director Moore. "It is brought down to date and at the end of each section are notes giving the source from which the provisions were taken."

Harrisburg.—John William Brown, of Lancaster, a brother of former Chief Justice J. Hay Brown, of the supreme court, was appointed a deputy attorney general to succeed the late Harland A. Denny, of Mountone, who died suddenly, and was sworn in. He is a former district attorney of Lancaster county, and has been engaged in practice there for years. The appointment was announced by the governor's office after a recommendation had been made by Attorney General Alter.

Altoona.—Pleading guilty to bootlegging, Reamer Price, of this place, was sent to jail for 18 months, and Clifford States, Tyrone, for three months.

Altoona.—The Pennsylvania Railroad company ordered the construction of three electric locomotives and 100 all-steel cabin cars at its shops here.

Harrisburg.—Curtis C. Sipple, convicted of first degree murder in York county, has applied to the state board of pardons for commutation of the death penalty.

Pittsburgh.—Heirs of the late H. C. Frick, the coke king, filed in the federal district court a statement of claim for \$108,657, which, they assert, was "unlawfully and erroneously collected" by the internal revenue bureau. The amount involved was collected by the government as taxes on eleven insurance policies. The heirs contend that the estate was taxed illegally, inasmuch as the policies taken out by Frick were made payable to specific beneficiaries.

Harrisburg.—The state of Pennsylvania was enriched by the payment of \$306,633.34 bonus on an increase of capital stock by the Gulf Oil company of Pennsylvania from \$10,000 to \$110,000,000. This is the largest bonus check of the kind ever received by the state department.

Uniontown.—State troopers are searching for a crowd of men who attacked six non-union miners at Fairchance, near here. The miners were assaulted as they left an interurban street car. They were severely beaten. The assailants escaped before mounted troopers reached the scene.

Harrisburg.—About \$50,000 will be needed to make a fight worth while against the Japanese beetle next year in the opinion of Dr. J. G. Sanders, chief of the bureau of plant industry of the department of agriculture. He will attend a conference at Washington in regard to extension of the crusade in 1923. It will then be determined how far the quarantine area will be enlarged in Pennsylvania. Recommendations that the next legislature appropriate \$50,000 will be made by state authorities.

Lebanon.—Lebanon is promised another large textile industry in the purchase here of a site by H. W. Anthony, of Strausstown, Berks county, for the erection of a hosiery plant. A five-story building of fireproof construction is to be erected for occupancy next spring. It is planned to consolidate the Anthony hosiery activities, now variously located, in the Lebanon plant.

Uniontown.—With five murders, two suicides, two deaths from liquor and six from automobile accidents included in a long list of fatalities, Coroner Baum's report for September was unusual. There were thirty-two deaths reported to the coroner as compared with nineteen the previous month.

Connellsville.—A gain of 13,340 tons in coke production last week, as compared with the previous week, was shown in a review of activities in the Connellsville region, published by the Courier. The total output was 118,680 tons. Five hundred and seventy additional ovens were fired, bringing the total in operation to 10,341.

Harrisburg.—According to Assistant Chief Meek, of the bureau of forest protection in the department of forestry, the 110 forest fires in Pennsylvania in September burned rapidly and in some instances deeply below the surface soil. In Somerset, Clearfield and Cambria counties the fires sometimes burned to a depth of 3½ feet and in some cases the soil itself burned. The September fires were particularly serious in the Foles, Gallatin and Moshannon forest districts in western Pennsylvania. Fires of more than 500 acres occurred on Roberts Run, Clearfield county; near Central City, Somerset county; in West Keating township, Clinton county, and in Benetown township, Elk county.

Scranton.—Settlement was made here of the strike of 800 shop employees of the Erie railroad at Dunmore, which has been in progress since March. The men will return to work on Monday. Under the terms of the settlement the full seniority rights of the men are restored.

Scotland.—Dr. J. J. Coffman, aged 70, fell dead at his home here from a heart attack.

Minersville.—Walter Stolsinski, of this place, was killed when caught between mine props and a car at a colliery.

New Philadelphia.—On the way to the bathroom at his home here, Abraham Corby, aged 60, a contract miner, fell dead from heart disease.

Latrobe.—Injuries sustained when the rung of a chair penetrated his body as he fell resulted in the death of Joseph Sabosky, aged 12, in the Latrobe hospital.

TED AND HOMER BLANKENSHIP AID WHITE SOX AT CLOSE OF SEASON



Among the mainstays of the Chicago White Sox at the end of the season were Homer and Ted Blankenship, shown in the photograph. Ted, a Texas rookie, joined the team sometime ago and made good from the start. Satisfied with Ted's work, Manager Gleason thought it would be a good idea to take on the brother and Homer was signed. He also made good. Now the Blankenships are the only team of brothers on an American league pitching staff.

TWO OLD-TIMERS TALK OF BALL'S LIVELINESS

Harry Lord and Jack Chesbro, one an infielder and the other a pitcher in the American League a decade and a half ago, perhaps express the opinion of most veterans when they say that the present-day article of diamond play is less a matter of fine skill and more of hitting, or ability to take advantage of the ball's liveliness. "The pitcher had more of a chance in the old days," Chesbro puts it. "It took a long, hard drive to get the ball by the outfielders then, but now nearly anyone can send one over the fence." Lord advocates a "happy medium" in the resiliency of the ball. If some of the old-timers had the lively ball in their prime, he says, they would have made three, four or five hits in almost every game.

COLLEGE PLAYER AIDS SPORT

Former Baseball Star, Jack Barry, is Loud in His Praise of Collegians on Diamond.

Jack Barry, former star shortstop of the Philadelphia Athletics and one of the Boston Red Sox, and an alumnus of Holy Cross college, is one of the great many who give the college



Jack Barry.

players much credit for uplifting baseball in general. While discussing the subject recently Barry said: "It is surely true that the college players have done more to elevate professional baseball than any other factor in the development of the game. The college player has helped to make the national sport worth while. He has helped to make the professional baseball player respected everywhere, and his influence has tended to eliminate most of the rowdiness from the game."

GIANTS MADE BEST RECORD

New Yorkers Won 26 Straight Victories in Chase for Pennant During 1916 Season.

Speaking of straight victories, the New York Giants made a record in 1916 which will stand for some time to come.

That season the New Yorks won 26 in a row and 17 straight on the road. In the American league the Chicago club won 19 straight in 1906 when making their drive for the pennant.

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

A boxing commission is like a football rules committee, only more so.

About the only institution that has not felt the industrial situation is golf.

The shortage of coal will also cut down the attendance in the hot stove league.

It is said that the football rules are perfectly clear after they have been translated.

Talk as you will, no promoter seriously wants to stage a Dempsey-Harry Wills battle.

Clarence Rowland has resigned as manager of the Columbia club of the American association.

The tennis finals again showed that a good big man is generally better than a good little one.

Thomas Lovelace, an outfielder from the Dallas club, has been bought by the Pirates. He is a hard hitter.

Fred Johnson, the young pitcher obtained by the Giants from San Antonio, is said to be a great hitter.

Time flies. For the first time in years Edward Trowbridge Collins is not mentioned in an all-star capacity.

Chester Lucas, pitching ace of the Newport News Virginia league club this season, has been sold to the New York Giants.

The title of "Miracle Man" belongs to Fred Mitchell this year. To finish behind the Phillies is nothing short of a miracle.

Howard Camnitz, once a star twirler of the Pittsburgh Pirates, is now piloting the Winchester team of the Blue Grass league.

One fine thing about football in the high schools: the candidates are too tired when they reach home to do any of the chores.

In a handicap tournament at the Brooklands golf club, C. A. Lindsay won the greens committee cup. It is Lindsay's first year at golf.

Gerald L. Patterson of Melbourne will not defend the British tennis championship at Wimbledon next June. Business requirements will interfere.

The New York state boxing commission has turned over to the state more than \$350,000 over its own operating expenses in the last 18 months.

"Rabbit" Benton, Ty Cobb of the South Atlantic league, has been bought by the Phillies. Benton was a star batter and base stealer with Charleston.

John Layton, of the St. Louis national three-cushion billiard champion, has accepted the challenge of Robert L. Channex of New York for a title match.

Paul B. Stager, a former crack shortstop on the Wesleyan nine and a backfield griddler of note, has been purchased by the Pittsburgh Pirates from Memphis.

Burney Acton, a youngster who has been playing great ball for the Eufaula team in an independent league in Alabama, has been taken on by the New York Yankees for a trial.

I. M. Huffman, 22, Chandlersville, O., former star left tackle and captain of the Ohio university football team, is assisting Coach J. W. Wilce in training the Buckeye squad this fall.

St. Louis Americans have one ball player about whom little is written—Tobin. Yet he is one of the greatest outfielders in the American league, and is always hitting near the top.

EASTERN STYLE OF PLAY

Andy Smith, coach of the California team, formerly played for Pennsylvania and he uses the eastern style of play. On defense the Californians use the Pennsylvania system, which consists in driving the play in. Ends and tackles all change to the inside, seven men apparently driving toward one point from ten to fifteen yards behind the line of scrimmage. It is a system that many teams have used with much success. California also likes the open style football.

COACH YOST FAVORS FOOTBALL OF TODAY

Present Open Style of Play is Most Satisfactory.

Modern Game With Its Varied Play More Interesting to Player and Spectator Than the Old Bucking Tactics.

Coach Yost, of the University of Michigan, has joined the ranks of that group of coaches who believe the present day football teams are superior to those of a decade or more ago, when brown was the chief requisite for a college gridiron player.

All things being equal, the average university or college team of today



Coach Yost.

would administer a beating to the average team of ten years ago, in Yost's opinion.

The Michigan mentor, who has completed 27 years of coaching experience, declared that the present style of open play on the gridiron is more satisfactory in every way than the old bucking tactics. He said the modern game, with its varied play, was more interesting to player and spectator alike and had had much to do with increased popularity of the sport.

"The new game has all the elements of the old, with a number of interesting new features thrown in," Yost said. "It provides an opportunity for use of brains on the part of each player that the old style of contest did not. Present day teams also are better coached. This is necessary because a squad that has not been drilled in the forward pass, both on defense and offense, is lost."

Coach Yost said that the present football rules would stand for years, declaring the game was perfection except for a few technicalities that eventually were to be smoothed out.

FORWARD PASS NOW FIXTURE

Once Considered Joke Play Has Become Part of Every Well-Rounded Gridiron Attack.

There was a time when the forward pass in football was considered a joke play.

Back in 1906 when the move was first permitted under the rules, coaches were almost a unit in declaring that it was only "outdoor basketball," and common sense would soon rule it out of the code.

Now it is a part of every well-rounded attack and no coach dare disregard it as an offensive weapon. The play's possibilities have not yet been exhausted and teams become more proficient with it every season.

SURE OF BIG LEAGUE BERTH

Johnny Stuart, Former Ohio State University Football Star, Ready for Fast Company.

Johnny Stuart, former Ohio State University football star, will be back in the major leagues next year. When tried out by the Cardinals, he showed lack of experience. Rickey immediately sent him to Syracuse. One of his impressive pitching achievements with that club is an iron-man stunt. He recently pitched and won both games of a double-header against the Jersey City Skeeters. The second affair went 10 innings. Stuart's showing in general has been good enough to warrant a return to the big line.

WORSHIPED THE GOLDEN ORB

Ancient People of Peru Made the Sun an Object of Particular Veneration.

The most complete system of sun worship was practiced by the ancient tribe of Incas of Peru, South America. Its existence was first discovered by the Spaniards who visited Peru in 1626. The Incas, chief of the Peruvian ruling house, claimed to be children of the sun and the sun's representatives on earth.

The government was a despotic Nerover of which the Inca was both high priest and king.

In Cuzco, the capital, stood the wonderful temple of the sun, in which all the implements were of solid gold. On the west end of the interior was a representation of the sun's disk and rays in the same precious metal, so placed that the rising sun, shining in at the open east end, fell full upon the image, and was reflected with dazzling splendor. In the plaza, or square of the temple, a great annual festival was held during the summer solstice. Huge multitudes assembled from all parts of the empire, and, presided over by the Inca, awaited in breathless solemnity the first rays of their deity to strike the golden image in the temple, when they immediately prostrated themselves in adoration.

Sacrifices, similar to those of the Jews, were offered on the occasion, and bread and wine were partaken of in a manner strikingly resembling the Christian sacrament.

The moon was the spouse of the sun the planet Venus was his page. The Pleiades, and the remarkable constellation of the Southern Cross were also worshipped as servants of the sun. Fire, air and earth were adored, but in a lesser degree. The lightning and the rainbow were also worshipped as servants of the sun, in fact all nature was embraced in the wonderful religion of the early and now extinct Incas. Their wealth and glory is departed and they live only in history and in the wonderful carved memorials they left behind for modern savants to study.

Chicago Gets Prehistoric Monster.

Eight million years ago a dinosaur crawled into a depression in a torrid equatorial belt in Alberta, Can., and died.

For eight million years his grave was unmolesied. His kind became extinct, glaciers swept down, mountains formed over his resting place.

When the old dinosaur—50 feet long and 30 tons in weight—died the equator was due north of Chicago and the Mississippi waterways was an actuality, with the Gulf of Mexico stretching to the North pole, scientists say.

Recently, however, the elements had so worn down the mountain near Red Deer river, 125 miles west of Calgary, that the last layer of soil was swept away and the dinosaur bones were bared.

Prof. E. S. Riggs, associate curator of geology for the Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, with five companions, stumbled across the huge bones. Now they'll go to the Field museum to be stared at by city folks.

Getting out the dinosaur bones—many of which weighed 2,500 pounds or more—was a tremendous task. It was necessary to build roads in some places.

Colors in the Fall.

A desirable tree for brilliant fall color is the sour gum or tupelo. This makes a large almost round-headed tree with very dark green foliage in the summer and brilliant red leaves in the autumn. Even as early as August there may be a few scattered leaves that change color, giving promise of the brilliancy that is to follow. The tree is common in New England and the northern and eastern states.

The scarlet oak is even brighter than the red oak in its fall colors and is equally as brilliant as the gums, says the American Forestry Magazine. Its foliage being more finely divided than that of the red oak gives it a lighter, more airy appearance, while the red of its leaves is most emphatic. It is widely distributed throughout the eastern half of the country.

In marked contrast to the brilliant reds of some trees in the fall is the yellow of the sugar or hard maple. This is a native of gravelly and other well-drained soils of the northern states and southward in and near the mountains. It reaches its greatest perfection in western New England, New York, Ohio and Kentucky.

With a Proviso.

Mary had been frightened by a large dog barking at her while she was walking with her mother. From that time all dogs that approached within a few feet of her caused her to cry and run to her parents for protection.

A few evenings ago some friends called at the house, bringing with them a puppy. Like all dogs of that age, he was playful, cute, and friendly.

Mary, safe in her mother's lap, gazed at the puppy for a moment as he stood looking at her, and then said: "Don't bark, doggie, 'n' I like you."

In Cages, Not in Demand.

Buddy, age three, was making his daily call, when Mr. H— asked him whether he was going to work in his father's grocery store and whether he was going to cut the meat or put the sugar in packages.

Buddy said that he intended to help the butcher by cutting up the chickens. He was asked whether chickens were in demand.

The little caller then answered very quickly that the chickens were not in demand but that they were in lack of the store in cages.