

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Pittsburgh.—Bond issues totalling \$3,068,000 will be voted on by sixteen communities of Allegheny county at the November election.

Pittsburgh.—If Edwin Killian marries within a year and does not touch liquor for two years, he will collect one-fifth of \$51,000. Such provisions are contained in his father's will, filed for probate here. An event Killian falls to carry out the provisions, his share of the estate will be held in trust until he is 40 years old. Four other children were given their share of the estate outright.

Bloomsburg.—The Bloomsburg Paper company's plant, two miles from here, burned. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss will be about \$75,000, and twenty men will be thrown out of employment.

Chester.—Within a few hours after his sister had called at police headquarters and pleaded for help in finding him the naked body of Korsinger Barzaski, aged 30, of 325 Trainer street, was found floating in a small lake near the congealment plant at Marcus Hook. Barzaski disappeared from his boarding house on the night of October 12.

Chester.—Council unanimously adopted a resolution offered by Superintendent of Finance White, supporting an official request made by Major Ramsey that the government return to the city the silver service presented to the scout cruiser Chester several years ago. The cruiser is to be scrapped and the city officials believe that the silver service could be placed in the old court house on Market street in the keeping of the Delaware County Historical Society. The mayor has taken the matter up with Congressman Butler and Secretary of the Navy Denby. Following the launching of the cruiser, then a new type of fighting craft, the silver service was presented in recognition of the honor conferred by the government in naming the craft for Chester.

Lewistown.—Robert Hartley, who claimed the championship for ground hogs in Mifflin county this season must step aside and tender the belt to Ross Snook, of Milroy, who captured twenty-eight of the little pigs.

Shenandoah.—Leonard Cuff, Dominick Calista, Carmel Torrella and Stephen Gautan were buried for a time when a slush chute collapsed at Locust Mountain colliery, covering them with culm. They were dug out in the nick of time by fellow-workmen, but all were dangerously hurt.

Pittsburgh.—Ariza Clark, 16-year-old negro of Edri, Indiana county, died at a hospital here from a bullet wound. She was shot at her home in the mining village. James Clark, father of the girl, and L. T. Williams, a boarder at the Clark home, brought her to the hospital. They were arrested and are being held for the Indiana authorities. The men first climbed the shooting accidental, but, according to the police, the father told them Williams, the girl's sweetheart, shot her.

Washington.—The body of John Angre, of Bentleyville, a world war veteran, was found on a road near that town. His spleen had been ruptured by a heavy blow on the side. George Matski is being held in connection with the case.

Easton.—The schools of Western Easton were closed after three cases of diphtheria had been reported to the board of health. The Easton board of health held a meeting and a quarantine on all residents from the neighboring borough, to prevent a spread of the disease in this city is being considered. A resolution was adopted authorizing the president of the board and the city health officer to take any steps deemed necessary to protect the health of the residents of this city.

Tionesta.—The F. C. Proper oil well, brought in recently, is producing about 150 barrels a day. The well is located half a mile across the Allegheny river from the Tidouste field.

Harrisburg.—The industrial board issued a notice calling attention to employers to a ruling on the child labor act, especially in regard to certificates of age. The ruling, adopted in April, 1921, is as follows: That to secure better administration of the Pennsylvania child labor law it is required that minors over 16 years of age, on applying for a position in any establishment, or in any occupation in this commonwealth, shall present an age certificate authorized by the attendance bureau of the department of public instruction, and issued and signed by the proper officer of the local school district. Such certificate shall also bear the minor's own signature. Said certificate shall remain on file with the employer during said minor's term of employment, to be returned to the minor when the term of employment ceases.

Sunbury.—City council floated a \$10,000 bond issue to meet outstanding indebtedness.

Altoona.—Deputies from the Altoona office of the internal revenue bureau will investigate 150 returns from income tax payers for 1921.

Uniontown.—Run down by a Baltimore and Ohio train near Atchison, Alexander Clarks died shortly afterward in a hospital here.

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Darlington.—Losing his balance and falling into a stone crusher, Edward King, aged 19, of this place, was ground to a pulp.

Junata.—David A. Little, aged 64, foreman of painters at the Pennsylvania railroad's shops here, died following an operation for acute appendicitis.

New Castle.—Buried under a load of rock, Fred Market, aged 30, was instantly killed at the plant of the Crescent Portland Cement company, near here.

Bloomsburg.—The school board has decided to hold special institutes for the town teachers on six Saturdays each year.

York.—While George Frederiek, a former Yorker, who has been visiting his brother, Jacob Frederick, in this city, was on a motor trip, he was robbed of \$1400 in cash, which he had left under lock in a trunk in his brother's home. Report of the theft was made to the police. An examination failed to disclose that the house had been forced.

Pittsburgh.—Members of two football teams of Bridgeville, near here, were charged with violating the blue laws of the state by District Attorney H. H. Rowand. They defied his edict not to play on Sunday, Rowand said. One of the defendants is William Flood, chief of the Bridgeville police and manager of one of the teams.

Pittsburgh.—One thousand two hundred men and women were admitted to citizenship at the September term of the United States district court here.

Lewistown.—Levi Berkey, 57 years old, died at the Lewistown Hospital from injuries sustained ten days ago when he fell from a lumber truck.

Mount Carmel.—After keeping their wedding secret more than a year, Joseph Troth of this place, and Miss Nellie Link announced that they had been married in Bethlehem September 27, 1921.

Harrisburg.—The public service commission has approved applications for eight new electric light companies to operate in York, Lehigh, Beaver and Potter counties and approved a merger of companies chartered for Beaver county.

West Hazleton.—Detective D. T. McKeivey has been retained to unearth the details of a new plan of robbery just developed here. Men are given high voltage hooch in a local saloon, it is claimed, and are robbed of money and valuables while dazed. One victim lost \$180 and a gold watch.

Pittsburgh.—Armed with grappling hooks, a squad of policemen combed the Ohio river near Avalon for the body of a highway robber. Samuel Miller, no home, appeared at central police station, walked up to the desk sergeant and said, "I killed a man down at Avalon and I want to give myself up." The man, he said, tried to rob him, so he shot the highwayman, and rolled the body into the river.

Butler.—One thousand Butler women, who voted in 1920, didn't register for the November election, according to registration officials. The first year the nineteenth amendment was in force 2400 women voted here. This year the registration shows 1248 women.

Harrisburg.—The fact that sixty-four cases of typhoid fever have appeared in rural sections in the first ten days of October against thirty-four in the similar period of last month caused Commissioner of Health Martin to issue a new warning against using water from unprotected sources.

Pottsville.—A wildcat, known to hunters as a "bobcat," was cornered and killed by William R. Miller, of Cressona. It is believed the big cat has killed hundreds of rabbits as well as other game within a short time. Miller's dogs treed the cat, but it showed fight even after two bullets had been sent into its body. A "bobcat" is seldom seen in this part of Pennsylvania, although numerous farther west.

Nesquehoning.—While entering the rear of his home Saturday night, John Bond was mysteriously shot in a leg below the knee. He saw the shadow of a man crouching in the doorway of his deceased father's workshop, a short distance away, and as he placed his hand in his hip pocket to get the door key was wounded. He was taken to the Coaldale Hospital, where his condition remains critical. The man who fired the shot was seen leaping over fences and escaping. The theory is that the man who did the shooting intended to rob the workshop, which contains many valuable tools, and believing that Bond saw him and reached for a revolver to shoot, fired to protect himself.

Williamsport.—The largest single claim for damages as the result of road work in the county was made when C. L. Thomas, a farmer of Blackhole Valley, asked \$10,398.88 as the result of the new concrete highway from Muncy to Montgomery passing through his farm. Three acres of Thomas' land were taken by the road. The county commissioners maintain that the road had benefited rather than proved a detriment to the farm along the route.

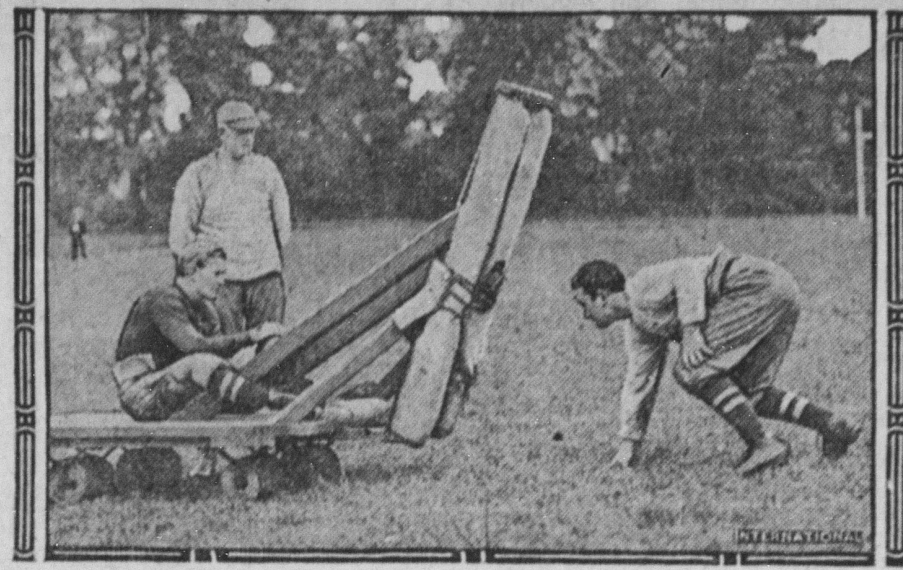
Shenandoah.—James Gregory and William Mador were seriously injured when a motorcycle they rode crashed into a house.

Beaver.—Schools, cafes and churches of Georgetown, this county, have been ordered closed by state health authorities because of three cases of smallpox.

Coleraine.—David E. Yearsley, 77 years old, of this township, died suddenly while feeding his pigs.

Pittsburgh.—Election of a bishop for the Pittsburgh diocese of the Episcopal church will take place here November 8.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL STARS READY FOR SERIOUS WORK



Coach "Buck" O'Neill, in charge of the football team at Columbia university, feels that the material he has this season will develop into one of the finest teams ever constructed at the big New York college. Ten "C" letter men of last year's eleven are back, and together with others who were ineligible last season, turned out for early practice at Baker field, Columbia's new gridiron and sports field on the upper end of Manhattan Island. The photograph shows Eddie Fischer, star tackle of last season's freshman eleven, being put through line bucking drill, by use of the machine, while Head Coach O'Neill gives him a few pointers.

UMPIRE RIGHT WHEN NO ONE MAKES HOWL

Tom McNamara scours the darkest bushes for the Pirates, and every once in a while comes up with a funny one he has seen in the hinterlands of baseball. Up in the Mint league he saw an umpire call a balk with nobody on base. "Say, man," Tom said to the umpire after the game, "don't you ever read the rules?" and referred to the miscalled balk. "It must have been right," said the benighted umpire, "no one made a squawk."

WALTER HAGEN HOLDS MANY GOLF RECORDS

Winner of Every Title in This Country and Abroad.

Walter Hagen has now won every important golf title in this country and abroad. He holds at this time the British open championship, the Professional Golfers' association title, the western open title, the New York state title, the west coast of Florida title and is coming back looking for the United States open title.

Hagen has an envious record in golf, and all at the age of thirty. His career on the links is short and sweet. He began in 1913 at the same time that Francis Ouimet flashed to the front in his great victory over Vardon and Ray.



Walter Hagen. The front in his great victory over Vardon and Ray.

Walter, an unknown at that time just like the boy Ouimet and no older, led the field for a time in that mighty battle on the links for the national open title that made golf history for two nations.

He finished only three strokes behind the trio that tied for the honors. The next year he won the championship at Chicago, and in the following year he captured the Pan-American title at San Francisco and \$1,000, the largest purse ever offered in any tournament, to that time.

Hagen has also won in his day the Massachusetts championship, the North and South championship, the Eastern open or Shawnee Shield and the Metropolitan title, three times.

Carries Winning Record. Sweet Dottie Day, the consistent little trotting mare in Lon McDonald's stable, and a big favorite with owner Tom Taggart, Jr., now carries a winning record of 2:06 1/2, made at Syracuse.

Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

Couch Jones of Iowa has discovered a star end in Otte.

Conversation is taboo in a golf game—except in a ladies' tournament.

Pennsylvania State college has added nine holes to its golf course.

The Paris Olympic stadium for the 1924 games will seat 90,000 spectators.

Jack Dempsey has called off his proposed trip to Europe and will do some more vaudeville.

Again, the United States is supreme. The Argentine polo players lost to the Meadowbrook four.

Couple of months ago Georges Carpentier was talking about retiring. Now nobody cares if he does.

Sports must be dull over in France, where they are still wrangling over that Molla-Suzzy affair.

Like Center college, the Kenyon college football eleven has turned to prayer for a successful season.

Ernie Vick, All-American center at Michigan last year, is drilling the center candidates for Coach Yost.

Next to trying to beat Bill Tilden on the courts, trying to swim the English channel is the zero of pastimes.

The career of George Sisler demonstrates that an ambitious young man may succeed even though he is a southpaw.

The outside kick is one of the most effective plays in football owing to the fact that nobody knows what it is all about.

There are so many coaches at the educational institutions (slang for colleges) that the head coach must coach the other coaches.

These are the days when the baseball scribe begins to smile wanly when anyone refers to the game as the great American pastime.

There may be some arguments about the ranking of tennis players, but who'll claim that Tilden is not the master of them all?

William R. Jackson hands in his resignation as manager of the Peoria Three-I team, after five years as manager of the Peoria layout.

Almost any football coach will tell you the only obstacle to his team is the month of November. Some go a bit further and complain of October.

Cleveland seems to have picked up some good young pitchers this fall. On trial the kids brought home victories, which is a mighty good indication.

Willie Kamm is insured for \$125,000, but if he could be insured against blowing up when he gets in the big league, the policy would be of more value.

Harry Harper, the Hackensack (N. J.) southpaw, will attempt a comeback as a major leaguer with Uncle Robbie's Brooklyn Dodgers next spring.

To supplant Carlisle Smith, who means to retire from baseball at the end of the season, the Vernon club has purchased Edison Hemingway from the Sioux City club.

William T. Tilden, II, national tennis champion, and William M. Johnson, San Francisco, runner-up in this year's national singles championship, plan to invade Europe in 1924.

When Ty Cobb made a hit in the game of September 18 it marked the eighth season of his career in which he had made a record of 200 hits. Also Cobb will this year have made a record of batting .300 or better in 17 seasons, which is another record.

SOUTHPAW BACKSTOP BROUGHT INTO GAME

Shortage of backstop material has brought the left-handed catcher back into the game. Recently in a St. Paul-Minneapolis game Umpire John Bullen cleaned all the St. Paul players off the bench. Then Nick Allen split a finger and there was nobody to go behind the bat but Bruno Haas, left-handed center fielder, who came in and did a good job of work. In a Texas league game a few days before that Manager Joe Mathes had no one to do his catching so he sent Stump Edington, left-handed outfielder, behind the bat, and, like Haas, he also got away with it.

JESSE SWEETSER IS POPULAR GOLF STAR

Winner of Amateur Championship Began Career at St. Louis.

Attention of Veteran Players Attracted by His Sensational Playing on Normandie Club Course—He Defeated Evans.

Jesse Sweetser, who won the national amateur championship at Brookline, Mass., by defeating "Chick" Evans in the final, received his early golf training in St. Louis. He played the Normandie club course as a young boy in such sensational fashion that he attracted the attention of veteran players.

Sweetser made an attempt to introduce golf into the High School Athletic league while a student at Central High School, but failed to have it officially recognized as a major sport.

St. Louisans who may not remember the new champion as Sweetser will recall him as "Jesse Schweitzer." His



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family moved to the East shortly before the war period, and the family name was subsequently changed from Schweitzer to Sweetser.

Jesse's rise to fame has been sensational, but steady withal. This has been his greatest year. He began it by winning the Metropolitan championship this spring. He is one of the most popular golfers in the country today, and his victory has been well received, despite the fact that he defeated "Chick" Evans, undoubtedly the most popular golf player in the history of the game in the United States.

BLACKSNAKES ARE GOLF AID

Most Efficient Enemy to Mole, Which Does So Much Harm to Greens—Reptile is Harmless.

Blacksnakes are being offered every inducement to make a comfortable home on the links of the Coatesville (Pa.) Country club. Champions of the reptile declare that it is the most efficient enemy of the mole, which does so much damage to golf greens, and the club officials have started a campaign to protect and foster the growth of the blacksnake. Along the sides of the course the underbrush has been allowed to grow thick, and tempting rock piles with full southern exposures have been placed to lure the snake from nearby lands. Not only does the snake go right into the mole's boring, but it is alleged that it kills off ratters and copperheads. It is harmless, and is not likely to disconcert a golfer by appearing silently, for the snake does its work at night.

STROKES OF TENNIS PLAYERS

Tilden's Favorite Is Backhand Shot, While Johnston Favors Forehand Drive.

The favorite shots and strokes which are most useful to crack lawn tennis players include: Tilden backhand shot, Richards shoulder-high volley, Johnston forehand drive, Wallace Johnson forehand slice to opponent's backhand, Patterson, the service ace; O'Hara Wood, offensive volley; Barotra, angled high volleys near net.

WISE OLD SHIPS

Believed to Guard the Safety of Crews at Sea.

That Vessels Are Possessed of Good and Evil Spirits, Is Belief of Ancient Mariners.

"It is not wise to scoff or to laugh in one's sleeve at such notions as that of the 'knowingness' of ships," says a writer in the Nautical Magazine, the organ of the mercantile marine officers, quoted by the London Daily News.

"Men have sailed in vessels and have come ashore swearing that they are possessed of an evil spirit.

"There are ships which are more than unfortunate; they seem to look for trouble on their own initiative and often succeed in finding it.

"But there are few sailors who do not believe, little as they care to discuss these matters, that a ship is imbued with a 'something' which makes her almost a sentient being.

"I think it is Conrad who tells the story of the ship which never failed to answer the slightest touch of her helm, save on one occasion.

"And on that particular one, had the course been changed as intended, she would have run at a good ten knots into a huge chunk of ice, detached from some disintegrating berg and floating a few feet beneath the surface.

"As it was, she slid by, with the deadly menace a biscuit's throw from her, and then answered her helm as anticipated.

"I have in mind a very popular liner that sails out of the Mersey and across the western ocean.

"Captain and officers cherish a real affection for her and passengers are loud in praise of her.

"There was a cyclone on the eastern side of the Atlantic.

A French boat arrived at Le Havre with superstructure and boats damaged and wireless antennae blown away, after running before wind and sea for 18 hours.

"Another passenger vessel from America arrived in Plymouth sound buffeted and battered, reporting that the weather had brought her to a standstill, for a day and a night, what time heavy seas had caused considerable damage.

"But our Liverpool friend is a wise old craft. She evaded the cyclone—almost. She just caught the tail end of it and got a bit of a dusting.

"You may argue that the captain received wireless messages telling him of the progress and anticipated course of the storm.

"Of course he did. But so did the masters of the other two ships; yet they encountered the full force of it.

"It must be that our ship from the Mersey is one of those good craft that one hears of occasionally—one of those ships that know how to look after themselves."

The writer denies that sailors are romantic, but admits that all ranks and grades are superstitious and fatalistic.

"But," he adds, "no one shall say that it is harmful to any man that the sailor has a profound faith in his superstitions. There may be something in them after all, for one gets very near to Nature in midocean."

Hairs Help Unravel Mysteries.

In the consideration of many police cases, such as mysterious murders, there is often present evidence in the shape of hair in the wounds or in the fingers of victims. Heretofore there has been made little use of this for the lack of knowledge concerning it. The importance of this subject thrust itself upon the notice of John A. Ford of the police department of Berkeley, Cal., and he has made a very thorough investigation into the characteristics of hair of human beings and the lower animals. He has hundreds of specimens, many of which have been examined under the microscope and their characteristics noted. Rabbit hair on a hatchet with which a murder has been done was the means of tracing the crime to a man who owned the implement and who had used it to kill a rabbit with shortly before the murder.

Whales on English Farm.

Farm hands digging celery on a farm near Peterborough, England, recently came upon the skeletons of two whales, dating back, it is supposed, 10,000 to 12,000 years. The whales were lying side by side under the peat, and just embedded in the clay. It is conjectured that many thousand years ago these whales, and perhaps others, swam up a creek, when the wash came further inland, and got caught at the top of a spring tide in a place where they were unable to turn. Another theory has been advanced, though it is rather far-fetched: Some years ago a prehistoric boat was dug up in the same field, and the suggestion has been made that the crew of the boat was hunting the whales at that particular period.

Longer Experience.

"Now, looky yur, Gloriosa!" grumbled old man Dodder to Fiddle Creek. "Don't you be sending for young Doc Prattle to come and see me. He can't do me no good."
"Oh, yes; he can, Gram'paw!" returned the invalid's youthful relative. "He's been practicing medicine for 'most two years now, and—"
"Well, I've been in this 'ere fix for mighty high ten years, and I reckon I know more about it than he does."—Kansas City Star.