

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Unfintown.—Twice Rev. Herman H. Will, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church here, was foreman of juries which returned second-degree murder verdicts.
Altoona.—A drive for \$50,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection of an American Legion house here will be started April 2.
Hazleton.—Immediate resumption of the plant of the Hazleton Brick company has been ordered to meet calls for more than 1,000,000 bricks for new hotels and bank buildings here.
Pittsburgh.—George Sims and John Wiley, truck drivers, were held on a charge of manslaughter by a coroner's jury. Their machines figured in killing Mrs. Marie Wotter and her grandson, John Wotter, on February 8, Sims testified that his brakes needed adjustment. Wiley admitted that he was not familiar with traffic regulations.
Wilkes-Barre.—Recently appointed receiver for the Leon Brewing company, Attorney John S. Lopatto petitioned the court for permission to destroy several vats of beer, some of it not dealcoholized. Judge Miller made an order directing the receiver to publicly destroy the liquor in the presence of prohibition officers or an officer of the Internal Revenue bureau, and then make a report to the court. The beer will be emptied into the sewers near the brewing plant.
Sunbury.—Falling downstairs at her daughter's home here, Mrs. Catherine Albright suffered a broken ankle.
Wilkes-Barre.—John Welles Hollenback, Wyoming valley's wealthiest man, celebrated his 96 birthday anniversary.
Scranton.—Philip Sezarosa, of Carbondale, was shot to death at the Mayfield yard of the Ontario and Western railroad. County detectives rushed to the scene with state police and arrested three men. It is reported there was a fight between strikebreakers and other employees. The dead man was not a strikebreaker.
Pittston.—A coroner's jury placed responsibility for the death of Peter Dominic and his children, Lucy and Louis, upon the People's Light company. The three died from the effects of illuminating gas escaping from a main in front of their home in Pittston township about a month ago. Though the jury placed the responsibility for the tragedy on the company, it failed to offer any recommendations to the district attorney's office to prosecute.
Mercer.—The state commissioner of public welfare notified officials of the Cottage State Hospital that it no longer is a beneficiary, it became known. Trustees were given permission to dispose of the property. The hospital was opened in 1890 as a miners' institution. It has outgrown its usefulness in that respect, and efforts to have it taken over by the state for charity purposes failed.
Scranton.—Federal Judge C. E. Witmer ordered an investigation of a statement made in open court here by Attorney Fred Mervine, of Stroudsburg, that a bootlegger is being protected by borough, state and federal authorities at Stroudsburg and that other bootleggers encroaching on his territory are quickly arrested. Mervine made the assertion while defending Joseph Sanfrano and Alex Lucas, both of Bethlehem, charged with transporting liquor illegally. Judge Witmer deferred action on the charges against the men, pending the investigation of Mervine's statement.
Pittsburgh.—While inspecting the ruins of a fire in the retail market section the police found four barrels of whisky and two stills. The liquor was confiscated and federal prohibition agents notified of the find.
Lansford.—John Claudius, of Tamara, was instantly killed, Paul Ripka fatally injured, and Paul Rushneck and Andrew P. Vafa severely injured by a gas explosion in the Greenwood colliery of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company. The men were using safety lamps. The cause of the explosion has not yet been determined.
Scranton.—Patrick J. O'Boyle, an official of the Scranton Coal company and a former street commissioner, died from complications following pneumonia poisoning.
Harrisburg.—Governor Pinchot issued a respite for Christopher Murrano, of Philadelphia, staying electrocution from the week beginning Monday, March 19, until the week beginning Monday, May 7.
Hazleton.—All but eight of the 235 teachers here have applied for reelection.
Punxsutawney.—Two-year-old Rosemarie Chapell died at a hospital here a few hours after she swallowed some medicine which contained poison.
Pittsburgh.—Five thousand dollars' worth of jewelry was taken by a burglar from a show window of the Kappel Jewelry company.
Gilberton.—Alexander Kollie, of this place, was sent to jail for one year by Judge Bechtel for stealing \$50.
York.—Pupils of the seven high schools of York county will participate in an essay contest conducted by Yorktown Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.
Pottstown.—Pneumonia resulting from cases of measles caused the death of two children of Herman Conklin.
Auburn.—Due to spreading rails 19 loaded coal cars of a long train were wrecked on the main line of the Reading railway near here.

Watsonstown.—At a special election held here, the \$50,000 bond issue for a new high school passed by a vote of more than 8 to 1.
Altoona.—The position of superintendent of buildings and grounds has been created by the school board.
Ligonier.—Emory Smith, 35 years old, was seriously burned in an automobile explosion while he was working about the gas tank of his car.
Pittsburgh.—The Allegheny county engineers have sent to the war department at Washington, plans for raising two Allegheny river bridges here, it was announced. This was the first actual step taken to raise the bridges as ordered by the war department during the Wilson administration. The plans call for raising the Seventh and Ninth street bridges so that navigation would be uninterrupted the year round.
Pittsburgh.—A spark from a torch used by a structural worker caused a fire which, fanned by a 52-mile-an-hour gale, swept through the plant of the Federal Enameling and Stamping company, at McKee's Rocks, a suburb, leaped across an alleyway, destroying many small homes and seriously damaging the plant of the W. L. Singer Ice company. The ice plant caught fire when excessive heat caused the explosion of several ammonia tanks. Twenty-three girls, working in the enameling shops when the fire broke out were rescued by firemen. A check of employees after the fire was brought under control showed three girls missing, but authorities believed they would be located later. The loss was estimated at \$250,000.
Altoona.—Coal production in the central Pennsylvania field decreased from 82,836 cars in January to 69,287 cars last month, the Central Pennsylvania Coal Producers' Association reported. Insufficient car supplies and eastern road embargoes were given as the reason for the drop in production.
Harrisburg.—Philadelphia is the leading industrial city of the state, with Pittsburgh second, Braddock fifth, Bethlehem fourth, and Reading fifth, the bureau of statistics of the department of internal affairs announced, after a survey of industrial figures in 89 municipalities. Production valuation in railroad and electric street car repair shops as well as in purely industrial establishments is considered in the survey's valuation figures. Beever in point of production valuation stands at the bottom of the list with \$259,900; Plymouth is next with \$1,521,400.
Meadville.—Raymond D. Kile, aged 4, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sibley Kile, was burned to death when fire destroyed their shack at the Alva Point lumber camp, four miles west of Meadville. Two other children in the house at the time escaped in safety. The parents were absent at the time and it is thought the children set fire to their home with matches.
Pittsburgh.—An unidentified negro was killed by a policeman in the Hill district when he failed to halt at the officer's command. The policeman was questioning the negro when the man dropped a handbag and fled. The officer fired into the air, and, when the negro failed to halt, brought him down with another bullet.
Pittsburgh.—The motorcycle division of the Pittsburgh police force was trying to solve the problem of an automobile license plate numbered "000000" found on a boulevard late at night. As there is no such registration number in Pennsylvania, police officials believe the plate was used by bootleggers or bandits as a "blind."
Easton.—George Irtter, a tax collector of Bushkill township, Northampton county, has not accounted for the taxes he has collected for the past two years and the county solicitor was authorized by the county commissioners to take the necessary steps to collect the money. No reason for his failure to pay was given to the commissioners.
Altoona.—As a result of shrapnel wound in the head and shell shock received in France, John Hamer, of this place, died in Columbus, O.
Chambersburg.—The commissioners and directors of the poor will establish a juvenile detention home here.
Williamsburg.—Falling from his train here, Otua V. Houpp, a Pennsylvania railroad brakeman, lost both legs and his right hand.
Uniontown.—Using an electric signal cord as a rope, Helen Butterbaugh, aged 25, wife of C. I. Butterbaugh, of Smithfield, hanged herself in the Uniontown Hospital, where she was a patient. The signal wire had been detached and placed over the top of a door. A chair nearby indicated that Mrs. Butterbaugh had toppled it over as she stepped from it. Physicians who examined the body, after a nurse had discovered it, stated that Mrs. Butterbaugh died from strangulation and a broken neck.
Pittsburgh.—Attacks on women in the East End section, numbering five within the last two weeks, continue. Miss Bessie Skiles reported to the police that while en route home a man dragged her into an alleyway. Her screams attracted a number of pedestrians, who gave chase but the assailant escaped. Miss Skiles is suffering from shock. Police are working on the theory that a drug crazed man is the assailant.
Beaver Meadow.—The mine of the Evans Coal company here was flooded by a rush of surface water following recent thaws.
Derry.—Cosimo Cravatta, a barber, was severely burned when he picked up a wire which carried 6000 volts.
Red Lion.—The Co-operative Trade and Labor Association here agreed to a scale of sixty cents an hour for carpenters and painters.
Berwick.—The plant of the American Car and Foundry company here has received an order for 500 refrigerator cars from the Great Northern railway.

OFFICIAL AMERICAN LEAGUE SCHEDULE, 1923

Table with columns for city (AT BOSTON, AT NEW YORK, AT PHILADELPHIA, AT WASHINGTON, AT CLEVELAND, AT DETROIT, AT ST. LOUIS, AT CHICAGO) and rows for dates and opponents (e.g., AT BOSTON: June 9, 11, 13, 15; AT NEW YORK: June 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15).

Have Bulldog Mascots
It is a lucky thing that the mascots representing various colleges never have a chance to do a little battling of their own. In booking a football game for next fall with the University of Georgia, Yale has agreed to battle an institution that also calls its representatives "The Bulldogs." The contest will mark the first time the northern and southern branches of the "bulldog" family have ever had a chance to test their comparative superiority on a real gridiron.



A Few Little Smiles
VEST POCKET SIZE
Father and mother were discussing the costumes they were to wear at a fancy dress ball. Joan, aged seven, was an interested listener. "Mother," she said, "can I go as a milkmaid?" "No, dear, you are too small." "But, mummie," pleaded Joan, "I could go as a condensed milkmaid."

SPITBALL PITCHERS ARE PASSING ALONG

Allan Sothoron of Cleveland Is Latest to Be Released.

Coveleski, Red Faber, Urban Shocker and Jack Quinn, Are Named as Only Certain Ones to Start Campaign of 1923.
The sale of Pitcher Allan Sothoron, of the Cleveland club, to the minors, marks the passing of another spitball pitcher.
At the close of the American league season there were only six spitballers in the organization. The release of Sothoron cuts it to five. It is almost a certainty that before the opening of the season Allan Russell, of Boston, will have drifted back.
Stanley Coveleski, of Cleveland; Red Faber, of Chicago; Urban Shocker, of St. Louis, and Jack Quinn are the four veterans certain to start the 1923 campaign.
Quinn hasn't a great many more years left. Coveleski, who is a spit-



Allan Sothoron.

Got the Gate.
"I understand you have an efficiency expert over at the place where you work."
"Have 'is wrong; 'had' is the word."
"What was the matter? Was he incompetent?"
"No, he was too darned competent. He discovered that the boss was wasting half our time telling us things that we knew better than he did."—Boston Evening Transcript.

Forehanded.
"What is your reason for announcing that you will not be a candidate again?"
"So that no one else can get ahead of me," replied Senator Sorghum. "I can take it back when I get ready. The party managers might think they'd have to stand by it."—Washington Star.

A Magnet for Sorrows.
"Is it your practice to go about looking for trouble?"
"No," replied Mr. Grumpson. "It has been my experience that if a person will stand in one place long enough, and look as if he had no friends and no influence, trouble will just naturally gravitate to him."



THE FREE BOLSHEVIK
Correspondent—On your Southern seacoast I noticed some fine locations for surf bathing.
Minister—Sir, under the Soviet government there never will be either serfs or bathing.

Sad, but Often True.
He tried to cross the railroad track before the rushing train. They put the pieces in a sack. But could not find the brain.

Ear Work.
Lazy Mike—I have a new position with the railroad company.
Weary Rhodes—What is it?
Lazy Mike—You know the fellow that goes alongside the train and taps the axles to see if everything's all right? Well, I help him listen.—Good Hardware.

The Other Reason.
The Visitor—Your boys are leaving college very late. What kept them back so long? Are they delicate?
The Proud Father—Delicate? On the contrary, they're athletes.

The Strange Part.
"Here is a queer item," ejaculated the gaunt Missourian, in the midst of his reading. "The paper says that the President received resolutions expressing the sense of the senate on a certain matter."
"What is queer about that?" asked his wife.
"Why, you see, I didn't know the senate had any sense."—Kansas City Star.

Neighborhood Talkfest.
The woman next door is really dreadful, Richard," said the young married woman. "She does nothing but talk the whole day long. I'm sure she can't get any work done."
"Oh!" remarked her husband; "to whom does she talk?"
"Why, to me, dear, of course," was the reply, "over the fence!"

Self-Made.
"She's a self-made widow."
"Go?"
"Yes. She shot her husband and the jury acquitted her."

Different.
Employer—You want an increase in salary? Why, I've been thinking of taking you into the firm. In that case would you still want an increase?
Employee—Oh, no. Under such circumstances I should be opposed to any increase in our running expenses.

Main Thing.
Madge—When he came to take me for a sleigh ride he wore a great fur coat that made him look like a bear.
Marjorie—Did he act like one?

Banking on Uble



Cleveland is banking on George Uble to be a consistent winner the coming season. Uble is a youngster who came to the big league from the sandlots and made good. Major league records reveal few such cases.

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

France boasts 10,000 association football teams.
Boston has 21 municipal rinks for ice hockey and other winter sports.
W. H. Hongland, '23, was elected captain of Washington university track team.
Chicago White Sox have but one southpaw, Jonbert Davenport, an erratic performer.
Walter Johnson lacks but three games of having pitched 100 shutouts during his career.
Manager Bill Killefer of the Chicago Cubs plans to start George Grantham, the Omaha recruit, in at second base.
Jimmy Wilson, catcher on the New Haven club for the past two years, has been sold to the Philadelphia Nationals.
At this time of the year the word "batter" may mean the raw material for pancakes or news from the training camps.
Carl Lundgren is working out University of Illinois baseball candidates. Illinois has won the Big Ten title in the last two years.
Art Devlin, formerly third baseman for the New York Giants and Boston Braves, has been retained as coach for the Braves in 1923.
Clark Griffith is trying to corner the third base market. He has Bluge, Conroy, Evans, Kelley, Lamotte and Propst to try at the hot corner.
Carl Lundgren, former Michigan coach and once star with the Chicago Cubs in the days of Tinker to Evers to Chance, is the Illinois baseball mentor now.
Charles Jewtraw of Lake Placid, N. Y., lowered the 220-yard ice skating mark at St. John, N. B. He did it in 18.45 seconds. The former time was 19 seconds flat.
Some of the trials of France have been lifted. Battling Siki has been reinstated by the French boxing commission, and has brought happiness to Senegal, whence Siki came.
Wally Steffen, now a Chicago judge, will coach Carnegie Tech eleven next fall in an advisory capacity only, it has been announced. Pat Herron probably will be appointed acting coach.
Princeton got \$49,222 for playing the first intercollegiate game of football with the University of Pennsylvania in 1876, Princeton winning six goals to none. Princeton gave Penn \$50 for a return contest.
Francis Oulmet, former national amateur open champion, has announced his acceptance of an invitation to join the American team of amateur golfers who will go to England next summer for the Walker cup matches.

HARVARD AND YALE ACCEPT

Agree to Participate in Intercollegiate Track Meet to Be Held in London in July.
Harvard and Yale have accepted the invitation of Oxford and Cambridge to an international intercollegiate track meet to be held in England next July. The meet will be held in the stadium at Wembley, a suburb of London, which will be completed in April and can accommodate more than 100,000 spectators.

SET CONSECUTIVE WIN MARK

Joe Bush of Yankees and Eddie Rommel of Athletics Shared Honor Last Year.
Nine games was the longest winning streak enjoyed by any American League pitcher last year. Joe Bush of the Yankees and Eddie Rommel of the Athletics shared the honors. During the 1921 season no American League pitcher won more than nine straight.

Shoveling Coal Helps

Shoveling 44 tons of coal in seven hours is the way John Midkiff, nineteen years old, of Mount Vernon, Ia., keeps in shape for wrestling. He recently won the heavyweight class title in the Iowa annual high school mat tournament at Ames. Midkiff is built like Jess Willard and he went through the heavyweights like he went through the coal.

GOOD CURVE BALL PITCHERS

Joe McGinnity Says Liveliness of Ball Has Nothing to Do With Effectiveness of Hurler.
A gentleman who surely can qualify as an expert says the trouble is not with the make of the present day baseball but with the make-up of the man who pitches it. He is Joe McGinnity, once side partner to Christy Mathewson.
"Pitchers nowadays don't know how to fool 'em any more," says the old-timer of the Giants.
"It doesn't make any difference whether the ball is lively or dead. If the pitcher can keep the batter from taking a fair and square crack at the ball the result will be a pop-up or a strike out. A curve ball will do that; but the supply of good curve ball pitchers is small.
"The last World's series showed that the liveliness of the ball has nothing to do with the case. There were some good hurlers in that series, and there was a dearth of hitting. Those fellows knew how to fool the hitters with curves."

TRADE THREE CALIFORNIANS

Herman, Ehmske and Holling Are Sent to Boston Club in Exchange for Pratt.
It is a coincidence that the three players the Detroit club sends to the Boston Red Sox in exchange for Pratt and Collins are California products. Herman and Ehmske are from the suburbs of Los Angeles, while Holling hails from Oakland. What a nice little native son admiration society they will form.