

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

Lancaster.—The board of education increased the school tax rate from 10 to 14 mills.

Hazleton.—Mrs. Calvin Pardee donated \$5000 to the \$100,000 building fund of the Hazleton Y. W. C. A.

Harrisburg.—Nineteen persons were killed and forty-six injured in the seventy-five grade crossing accidents reported to the bureau of accidents for the month of April, the public service commission announced. In these accidents sixty-five automobiles were involved. Compared with last year, there were increases of forty-four in the number of accidents, fourteen in the number of killed and ten in the number injured.

York.—That Charles Reilly, late superintendent of the Sandusky Cement company, did not think much of the mother-in-law joke is shown by his will, probated here, in which \$2000 is left to the mother of his first wife, Mrs. Effie Herrman, Peoria, Ill., and a like amount to the mother of his second wife, Mrs. Mary Eckinger, Canton, Ohio.

Grardville.—Struck by an automobile near his home here, Walter Markunis, 8 years old, died an hour later.

Greensburg.—Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Appel, of Grapeville, were advised that their son, Elmer, aged 19, a member of the army, was shot and killed by a railroad officer at Marshall, Tex., when he resisted arrest on a charge of trespassing. The officer was released on bond pending an inquest.

Pittsburgh.—Joseph Singer was instantly killed and Isaac Goldberg, his father-in-law, was seriously injured when a Pennsylvania passenger train from Pittsburgh to Washington, Pa., on the Pan Handle division, struck their automobile truck at the grade crossing at Bridgeville. A third man in the car escaped injury. Goldberg was brought to Pittsburgh on another train and taken to a hospital, where he recovered consciousness only long enough to give his name.

Marietta.—The barn on the farm of Allen B. Weidner, at Rothsville, with all the contents, was destroyed by fire, with a loss of \$20,000. Eight steers and five mules perished. A barn on the same site was destroyed two years ago. The barn on the farm of Mrs. John Graybill, Brownstown, valued at \$2000, was also burned with contents.

Sharon.—Ben. J. Jarrett, of Farrell, sent Governor Pinchot his resignation as member of the Pennsylvania workmen's compensation board, effective July 1. In tendering his resignation Jarrett told the governor he did not support him in the primaries, but he worked for him during the campaign preceding the election. He took the matter of reappointment up with the governor some time ago, and in reply the governor indicated that a change was to be made. The position pays \$8500 a year. Jarrett's friends, when they learned of his action, opened a campaign for his nomination for district attorney at the September primaries.

Pittsburgh.—Mrs. Mary Fiedzik, of Livermore, patient in a hospital here, committed suicide by hanging with a silk stocking.

Sunbury.—William G. Henninger and Horace Tweed, of this place, who served fifty years in the Pennsylvania railroad shops, went on the retired list.

Billymer.—State police raided the home of Joseph Drechner here and held him on charges of violating the dry laws and possession of firearms.

Pittsburgh.—A freight car, supposed to contain potatoes, was found to be loaded with whisky when federal prohibition agents opened it. The liquor, valued at \$10,000, was consigned to a Penn avenue produce house. It was confiscated, but not until after several barrels had been removed in a truck by unidentified men. The whisky was hidden in barrels with a top covering of potatoes.

Scranton.—Miss Frances Mahner, of Kane, was unanimously re-elected state regent of the Pennsylvania State Court, Catholic Daughters of America, at the session of the sixth annual convention. This is the fourth consecutive term for Miss Mahner to win the highest honor of the organization. Other state officers elected were: Mrs. Marie Schnell, Meadville, secretary; Mrs. Kate Donnelly, Latrobe, treasurer; Mrs. John Carroll, Sayre, advocate; Miss Anna Maschie, Tyrone, monitor.

Altoona.—After more than 50 years of service with the Altoona Tribune, A. D. Houck, vice president and general manager, severed his relations with the paper.

Lancaster.—Professor David J. Keener, of this city, has been elected principal of the Ephrata high school, succeeding Professor H. E. Gehman, for twenty-six years supervisor of schools.

Hazleton.—Almost helpless from rheumatism, Carman Depiero, aged 51, committed suicide.

Altoona.—A branch of the Indiana normal school's summer school will be opened here June 18.

Sunbury.—Mayor Drumbheller issued an edict prohibiting policemen from acting as delinquent tax collectors.

New Holland.—The New Holland store of the Shadr Silk company was robbed of \$1500 worth of silk from the looms.

Shade Gap.—Dennis Moore was killed when a car of ties jumped the track and turned over.

Hazleton.—Council anticipated a demand by organized labor by raising the wages of street men ten cents an hour.

Hazleton.—Members of the Young Women's Christian Association held a big parade, opening a drive to raise \$100,000 for a new building.

Northumberland.—The Pennsylvania railroad is planning to spend \$1,850,000 on two four-track bridges across the Susquehanna between here and Sunbury.

York.—Disabling all except a local anesthetic, Sergeant Ross underwent an operation at the York Hospital for the removal of his appendix.

Pottstown.—As Maurice Bryan, aged 42, arose from a dentist's chair after having a molar extracted he called out "My leg is broken," and collapsed on the floor. Both bones of the right leg snapped between the ankle and the knee. A doctor at the Homeopathic Hospital thinks the bones were broken by muscular contraction.

Somerset.—Edward Bisbing, a blind salesman, received letters patent from Washington on a combination locknut and bolt. His device is as simple as the familiar cotterpin, but is more effective and permits a much finer adjustment of the nut than possible with the old cotter-key. Bisbing, thirty years ago, was a stone mason by trade and assisted with quarrying when sufficient quantities of stone were not delivered. A premature explosion tore out his right eye and in 1916 he lost the sight of the other eye. He has developed a marvelous sense of touch and with very little assistance made a wooden model of his combination lock-nut and bolt.

Pittsburgh.—Alexander Howat, deposed leader of the Kansas United Mine Workers, who has been in Pittsburgh for several months, was arrested on a serious charge preferred by Mrs. Inga Sorensen, of Chicago, in behalf of her 6-year-old son. Judge DeWolf, after listening to her statement and hearing Howat say he was innocent and at the proper time would prove it, told Howat he must answer in court. Bail was fixed at \$1000, and Howat was sent to a police station to confer with his attorney and arrange for bail.

Pottsville.—The largest single day's work in the history of the county recorder's department was marked up when the transfers of 110 properties were filed. The sales, the majority of which were homes, totaled \$500,000. This rush of home buying is due to the prosperity of the anthracite region and the ability of workers to own their homes.

Wilkes-Barre.—Falling in their first attempt to blow a big safe in the H. A. Whitman wholesale stationery establishment, yeggz returned a couple of hours later and succeeded in their efforts, but used such an overcharge of nitroglycerine that they were frightened away by the terrific explosion. The charge was set off by a battery concealed behind a fence some distance away. The huge door of the safe was blown through the second floor of the building, windows were broken and books and stationery scattered about the large storeroom. Police were on the scene within a few minutes, but it is believed the burglars made no attempt to enter the building after the safe was blown.

Harrisburg.—Governor Pinchot vetoed the bill of Senator Jones, of Lycoming, which would have granted sole jurisdiction over the construction and maintenance of county roads where only county funds are expended to county commissioners without first obtaining approval of the highway department. "The system under the present act does not deprive the counties of exercising a discretion in these matters," the governor said, "but provides a dual check whereby both state and county must be satisfied before work is accepted and money is paid."

Bloomsburg.—Dr. Charles H. Fisher, principal of the Bloomsburg state normal school, announced he had accepted an offer to become president of the state normal school at Bellingham, Wash.

Harrisburg.—New types of targets and ammunition will be provided for the 213th artillery, the Pennsylvania national guard anti-aircraft regiment, when it begins its tour of field duty at Fort Monroe, July 14. Adjutant General Berry announced. The regiment, composed of eastern Pennsylvania units, will leave Philadelphia on an army transport. It will have three-inch machine guns and will try out new types of ammunition. General Berry has received word that the sixth and sixteenth regiments of regular field artillery will be at Mt. Gretna during the encampment of the 107th and 109th field artillery, from July 21 to August 4.

Latrobe.—Miss Bertha Domes, of New York, was killed and two other women tourists were injured seriously in an automobile accident on the Ligonier Mountain road. Miss Domes' sister, Mrs. Thelma Landisman, and Miss Estella Weisberg suffered fractured skulls. They are in a hospital here. Accompanied by two men, including Mrs. Landisman's husband, the party was en route to California. On a sharp curve their machine collided with a truck and overturned. The men escaped unhurt.

Latrobe.—William H. Schall, aged 73 years, of Latrobe, died as the result of a sun stroke.

Mercer.—Mrs. Mary Gordon, aged 67 years, member of one of the best-known families here, was burned to death when her dress caught fire from a bonfire.

Wrightsville.—The sixtieth anniversary of the invasion of the Confederates here, will be celebrated June 28.

Pittsburgh.—Several hundred orphan children, inmates of asylums and homes were the guests of the Automobile Club of Pittsburgh at their annual outing.

OUIMET GETTING LINE ON COURSE



This photograph, just received from England, shows Francis Ouimet of Boston getting a line on the course from his caddy. Ouimet made the best record of any of the American players at Deal before he was eliminated.

Boxer Eugene Criqui Was in World War

Eugene Criqui, featherweight champion of France and of Europe, is in this country to box Johnny Kilbane for the world's featherweight title. Criqui is twenty-nine years old, weighs 128 pounds, and has a scar along one side of his jaw, the result of a severe bullet wound suffered during the World war. Part of the bone has been removed and replaced with a silver plate.

Baseball Notes

Bobby Roth, former Indian, is hitting .385 for Kansas City.

At times the farmers need rain more than city men need baseball.

Max Flack, star right fielder of the Cards, is clouting the ball consistently.

The St. Louis Nationals released Pitcher Wigginton, the Nebraska state star, to Fort Smith.

Roger Bresnahan announces that he has obtained Catcher John Anderson from the New York Giants.

Only one 1922 manager remains on the job in the Appalachian league. He is Frank Moffett at Knoxville.

The Boston Red Sox have released Catcher Bert Chaplin to the Springfield club of the Eastern league.

The Albany club of the Eastern league acquired outfielder Jess Altenuburg from Newark Internationals.

The Pittsburgh Nationals have released Arnold Stone, young southpaw, to the Hartford Eastern league club.

Judge Landis, commissioner of baseball, holds this office for the term of seven years. He was appointed in 1921.

A number of Philadelphia prize fighters have organized a baseball team. How would you like to umpire for them?

Dick Speer, the southpaw pitcher of the Detroit Tigers of some years ago, is a St. Joseph Western league pitcher this season.

John Pearson, a recruit pitcher, has been released by the Pittsburgh Nationals to the Nashville club of the Southern association.

Harry C. Harper veteran left-handed pitcher, who joined the Brooklyn Nationals as a free agent, has been given his unconditional release.

Grover Cleveland Alexander, veteran twirler of the Cubs, had his non-pass record stopped after going fifty-one and two-thirds innings.

The Boston Red Sox announce the release, under option, of Camp Skinner, outfielder, to the Atlanta club of the Southern association.

Greenville has turned back Pitcher Peck Williams to the Detroit Club. Detroit had obtained him from a club in the Cotton States league.

Detroit Tigers Always Boasted Star Shortstop

Some major league clubs are exceedingly fortunate in developing stars of certain positions.

Take the position of shortstop on the Detroit club, for instance.

In the early days of Hughie Jennings' success at Detroit, Charley O'Leary was one of the most valuable players in the league. Always a great fielder, a fair hitter, dangerous in the pinch, O'Leary helped put Detroit on the map in a baseball sense.

Then came Donnie Bush, just as O'Leary was passing out. For years Bush ranked as one of the most brilliant players in either major league at shortstop.

When Bush passed out of the picture, Topper Rigney entered. Cobb predicted great things for Rigney and he has more than made good. After one year in the majors he is regarded as a worthwhile regular, just on the verge of stardom.

As an understudy to Rigney, the spring training trip uncovered a youngster by the name of Kerr. Right now he looks as good, if not better, than Rigney did a year ago.

Pitcher Ed Rommel



Ed Rommel, star twirler for Connie Mack's Athletics, is given credit for getting his team out of the cellar, a position they occupied for quite a while.

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

So far nobody has even suggested a golf endurance test.

It is expected Stanford university will return to rowing next year.

Jay Gould has won the United States court tennis title 16 consecutive years.

The Woman's Athletic club of Los Angeles, Cal., has a membership of 1,400 women.

France has nearly 3,000 association football clubs with approximately 75,000 members.

Pennsylvania state wrestling squad next fall will be captained by K. Naito, a Japanese student.

Dealers in garden seeds, hoes, etc., report the usual brisk sale of nibblecs, nashes and drivers.

Oregon "Aggies" have booked a game with University of Hawaii at Honolulu for next Christmas day.

Washington and Jefferson college has introduced golf. Enthusiasts want it added to varsity sports.

Baseball is full of comic situations, but is there anything funnier than a squeeze play that doesn't go through?

Organized in 1874, the New Haven Gun club in Connecticut is the oldest in the United States. Five of the charter members are still active.

Odd Style of Catching

Some of the old-timers who have seen Wid Matthews of the Philadelphia Athletics go after a fly ball and catch it say he reminds them of the veteran Jimmy Ryan, star outfielder of twenty years ago, in the way he clips his hands and takes a fly close to his body, something after the style of Walter Maraville in taking a popfly.

Errors on One Play

In the eighth inning of the game at St. Louis on May 10 the Athletics managed to make three errors on one play. Jacobson opened the inning with a single and then Williams singled to center. Matthews fumbled the ball, Jacobson going to third and Williams to second. Matthews, recovering the ball made a wild throw to the infield. Jacobson scored and Williams went to third. Galloway got the ball, threw it away over third base and Williams scored.

DISCOVER SECRET OF LONG GOLF DRIVING

Simply Suppress Muscles Which Are Antagonistic.

The secret of long driving has been discovered, and it is no longer a mystery. Then, again, long driving is not an accomplishment for the favored and select few. Anyone can do it.

A London doctor and a man of science has discovered that the secret of long driving is merely a matter of the elimination of opposing muscles. The perfect shot is obtained by suppressing those groups of muscles antagonistic to other groups that coordinated are responsible for aiming the club at the ball.

There, what could be simpler than that?

If you would be a longer driver, just suppress the evil muscles. The only catch in the explanation is the failure of the learned scientist to say just what the evil muscles are. He explains, however, that these evil muscles are those which behave badly when a conscious effort has a devastating effect on the function of the other muscles.

In other words, the long driver, during the few moments that he is swinging at the ball, must have a mind which is a complete blank. For it is the mind which brings the antagonistic muscle into play and spoils the shot. The conclusion is that brains have no place in golf, especially in long driving, anyway.

Fish Fighting Greatest Sport of Natives of Siam

Dr. Hugh M. Smith, former United States commissioner of fisheries, before he left for Siam, told the following interesting story of customs in the country where he has gone to serve as fisheries adviser.

Dr. Smith said that in Siam one of the national sports is fish fighting. He said, instead of bull fighting, horse racing, baseball and other sports, the native of Siam carries in his hip pocket a little bottle or tube, much like a test tube used by physicians, just large enough to hold a fish about two inches long and water to sustain its life.

Often when two or more Siamese meet they say, "Let's have a fish fight, I'll bet my fish can beat your fish," and then the fun begins. They hunt for a larger vessel in which to stage the fight. When this has been obtained they fill it with water and put in their pets. The fish dart at each other and continue to push and fight until one or the other is wounded or incapacitated. Dr. Smith says these little fish are very hearty and ferocious and put up a very interesting scrap.

University of Michigan Signs Wrestling Coach

Richard Barker, present head coach of all athletics at Cornell college, Mount Vernon, Iowa, has been engaged as head wrestling coach and assistant football coach at the University of Michigan for next year.

Wrestling will be started as an inter-collegiate sport at Michigan for the first time next year, when the completion of the new Yost field house will furnish ample opportunity for the mat game to take its position along with golf, hockey and swimming as regular varsity minor sports.

Pole Vault Record



Harry Smith, nineteen-year-old San Diego high school student, started athletic experts by establishing a new prep school world record for the pole vault, with a height of 12 feet 11 3/4 inches. This mark surpasses the former record by nearly four inches, the former title being held by S. Landers of Minneapolis.

Wit and Humor



ORGANIZED

Sam, the colored driver of an ox team, saw a little lizard crawling up a tree. He flourished his long whip and very deftly snapped off the lizard's head. Further along the road, with skillful precision, he picked a horseshoe off the fence with the same weapon. His skill as a marksman was next exhibited on a chipmunk that showed his head above the ground. A white companion finally said: "Sam, take a crack at that hornet's nest." Sam grinned and replied: "No sah, no sah, boss; them fellahs is awgzitized."

DISAPPOINTED IN HER



She—You told me I would never want for anything if I married you.
 He—I didn't think you would, but you're always waitin' something.

Harmless Smoke.

The fellows who have coin to burn are not the kind that we admire. We see their smoke, but always know they'll never set the world on fire.

No Arrest.

He bumped into her car.
 "I had my hand out," declared the girl indignantly.
 "Such a tiny hand," murmured the young man. "No wonder I didn't see it."
 Then the traffic cop waved them all along.

A Compromise in Kissing.

"She said I could kiss her on the cheek."
 "And did you?"
 "Not exactly. I couldn't decide on which cheek, and so I kissed her in between both." —Copenhagen Klods Hans.

Identified.

He—Who is that fellow with the long hair?
 She—He's a fellow from Yale.
 He—Oh, I've often heard of those Yale locks.—College of the Pacific Weekly.

Had Him Guessing.

She—I saw you calling at Miss Pryde's house yesterday. Was she home?
 He—That's what I've been wondering.

No Cause for Alarm.

Patient (feebly)—I suppose your bill will be awfully large this time, doc?
 Doctor—Don't you worry about that; it's going to be paid by your heirs.

Question Put to "Bobby."

"Don't you get tired of answering foolish questions?"
 "Yes," replied the policeman. "I've answered that one twenty times today."

ANTIQUITY OF WISDOM



Grace—I read where they are making sugar out of sawdust now.
 Mabel—Well, I don't see anything wonderful about that. Mother Eve made a dress out of a fig leaf.

Can't Be Done.

"I'm willing for my wife to have her way," said Mister Day.
 "The trouble is, alas,
 She never lets me have my way."

Misplaced Sympathy.

Mrs. Crabshaw—I don't approve of your going after trout. I can't help thinking of the poor fish.
 Crabshaw—I'm the poor fish, my dear. I didn't get a bite all day.

Reported From Boston.

Visitor to Boston—One place I want to see is your old granite burying ground.
 Friend—Old granite burying ground? Visitor—It sounded like that, but perhaps it's the old granny burying ground. You must know about it.

Describing Him.

"Very bold, is he not?"
 "Yes," replied old Gaunter Grimm.
 "When his hat blows off and he drops his eyeglasses he is practically undressed."