

PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFS

In honor of their fiftieth wedding anniversary, Rev. J. M. Reimensnyder, for many years pastor of Trinity Lutheran church, Milton, and his wife, were tendered a public reception by citizens of that borough.

The erection of gasoline or oil pumps and filling stations within eight feet of state highways is prohibited under an order issued by the bureau of fire prevention of the state police department. The order is not retroactive. Secretary of Highways Wright also asked borough councils to pass ordinances forbidding the erection of pumps and filling stations closer than eight feet to improved highways, because they cause interference with the "orderly passage of two-way traffic" when a vehicle is drawn up for filling.

The state convention of the Sons of Italy closed its four-day session, the most important and memorable in the life of the organization in Dubois. Joseph Di Silvestro, who has led the order since its organization 13 years ago, in his farewell message, called on the members to continue the good work. Eugene Alessandrini, assistant district attorney of Philadelphia county, was elected as his successor. At the same time Di Silvestro was made honorary grand master.

With elaborate ceremonies, the \$90,000 church of the St. John Capistran (Magyar) parish, Bethlehem, was formally dedicated by Bishop Michael J. Crane, Philadelphia. Five bands, besides numerous societies of this and other Catholic parishes, participated in a street parade. Rev. Alexander Varalky, of Youngstown, Ohio, the first rector of the parish, preached the dedicatory sermon.

A warning to all fair association secretaries that state health officers will be in daily attendance at every county fair to enforce provisions of the restaurant hygiene law has been issued by the state department of health, Dr. Charles H. Miner, secretary of health, announced. Secretary Miner asked that patrons of fairs and public picnics refuse to patronize restaurants, eating and drinking stands which are unclean in appearance.

The Central Pennsylvania and Susquehanna Synods of the Lutheran church were merged at a joint meeting held in Zion church in Sunbury. Separate sessions were held at Sunbury and Shamokin Dam, which agreed to the combination and then ratified it. By this arrangement more than 30,000 Lutherans in this part of the state become one body.

A campaign for \$1,000,000 to increase the endowment of Bucknell University, in Lewisburg, is to be launched immediately by President Emory W. Hunt, with his assistant, Dr. Joseph R. Wood, as executive secretary. The trustees have determined that this amount is necessary to raise the salaries of the teaching staff and to maintain adequately the present equipment of the university. The general education board has promised \$200,000 if the university raises \$450,000 by December 31, 1924.

Officials of the United Charities, in Wilkes-Barre, are doing all in their power to determine the identity of the woman who deposited a 6-weeks-old baby boy on the doorstep of the Wallen residence at Huntingdon Mills and then disappeared. The woman is said to have driven up to the house in an automobile, and, after depositing a basket containing the child, to have sped away in the car. The youngster is in a local hospital, but the charities plan to allow his adoption by some worthy family.

For the loss of his right ear, which he claims was bitten off in a fight, George J. Heck, of Uniontown, has sued Peter Georges, of Conneville, for \$20,000 damages.

The enrollment of pupils at the opening of the York schools was 7304, a decrease of nearly 100 from last year.

Robert Davis, aged 80 years, of Marietta, the oldest gunner in Lancaster county, captured four large groundhogs.

Turning away from the drinking fountain in Buchanan Park, Lancaster, John H. Reltzel dropped dead.

Christian W. Lynch was appointed by the Dauphin county court receiver for the Harrisburg Foundry and Machine company. It was alleged there was mismanagement and incompetency in the conduct of the company and the indebtedness was claimed to be more than \$603,000. The company was organized 65 years ago.

Dr. J. S. Hackney, of Uniontown, was elected a life member of the Fayette County Medical Society.

The body of James M. Corcoran, chief of the Duquesne fire department, was found hanging in his room at the home of his mother.

York County Controller Barten-schlager was instructed to advertise for bids for the construction of seven county bridges and for the enlargement of another.

Miss Amanda Landis for the twelfth consecutive time was chosen president of the Lancaster county W. C. T. U.

Reading police are investigating the death of Arthur Mitchell, aged 32, rooming in a lodging house, who was found dead in bed with a fractured skull.

Lying in bed smoking a cigarette, Ralph Smith, of Bethlehem, set fire to the bed mattress, and firemen were called out to save the house.

Record for arrests were broken by the Altoona police bureau in August when 370 offenders were taken into custody.

The Chester Valley Electric company, operating in Coatesville, Downingtown and adjacent territory, has filed with the public service commission in Harrisburg, a new tariff of electric and steam heat rates effective October 1. The electric schedule has been changed by the addition of a street lighting schedule and several rules, and the silk mill power service rate changed from 1.7 to 1.9 cents and the fuel clause omitted. The fuel clause in certain schedules is changed to provide decreases when the price of coal falls below the basis price of \$3 per ton. A new steam heat tariff for Coatesville service adds a fuel clause, which increases net charges approximately 22 per cent.

Four Pittsburgh detectives were assigned by Lieutenant Edward J. Brophy to investigate the fire which swept St. Mary's convent, causing damage estimated at \$40,000. Fifty nuns escaped from the building unharmed. Lieutenant Brophy announced that he had ordered the investigation after he had received two anonymous telephone calls from persons who intimated the blaze was of incendiary origin. In a statement issued later, Nick Phelan, acting district fire chief and the first fireman to enter the burning convent, said the blaze started in a lavatory on the third floor.

Last April C. F. Kimmel, of New Castle, was washing his automobile and lost his ring. Several weeks ago he received a letter from the Autocar company of Ardmore, Pa., asking if he had lost a ring. He wrote at once, describing his lost jewel. A later letter in which the ring was enclosed stated that it had been found in Providence, R. I., in a box of Autocar parts shipped from Ardmore to Providence.

A large number of Mercer county women continue in their refusal to pay taxes, according to reports made by collectors to the county commissioners. The women, the collectors said, told them that they had been informed that it was not necessary for them to pay taxes, despite the fact that they have been threatened with imprisonment in the event of non-payment. The collectors have pointed out to the women the fact that the 1923 general assembly eliminated the word "women" from those exempted from serving prison terms for non-payment of taxes.

A memorial to Thomas R. Abbott, member of the Ku Klux Klan, who was killed during rioting between Klansmen and residents at Carnegie, will be erected by Klansmen of Pennsylvania. This announcement was made after officers of the Allegheny county klans met to complete arrangements for financial support of Abbott's family.

One person was killed and a dozen others were injured when a Georgetown trolley car of the Wilkes-Barre traction company jumped the tracks at a sharp curve on top of East Market street hill, plunged over the steep incline for 200 feet and crashed into a telephone pole. The car was heavily loaded with Saturday afternoon shoppers on their way to the central city. Mrs. Anna Kortz, of Wilkes-Barre, died in a local hospital, while a dozen others are being treated for injuries.

His counsel having withdrawn a motion for a new trial, in Lock Haven, Tony Capello was sentenced to serve fourteen to eighteen months in the Western Penitentiary. At his first trial for the murder of Elizabeth Harley, Capello was acquitted, after the jury was out five days. He was tried again on the charge of enticement.

Testimony that Louis Silver used his young daughter as a "liquor runner" was given in police court in Pittsburgh by E. H. Caswell, the complainant, against Silver and his son, Harry, Caswell said the men sold "poison" liquor to his wife, the "moonshine," he testified, was delivered by Silver's 15-year-old daughter. Magistrate Richards said he would hold the case under advisement until the use of the girl to carry liquor was investigated.

Elwood Cornelius, of Sunbury, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cornelius, has been appointed as a student at Annapolis Naval Academy. He is now taking the preliminary examinations.

Nelson Hoch, Honey Hole farmer, of near St. Johns, has demanded \$900 damages from the state game commission because a herd of deer invaded his land and trampled down an entire field of onions, which he values at the above sum. The state will send a warden to inspect the scene and determine if Hoch should be compensated.

Disbursement of the Pennsylvania state treasurer totaled \$9,827,475 during August, while receipts amounted to \$7,138,900. The large total of payments, it was explained, was due partially to the appropriations for school districts of the third class cities and larger boroughs. Income of the general fund was \$5,908,889 and disbursements \$5,858,599. The aggregate of balances at the end of the month was \$16,084,290, of which \$10,233,170 was in the motor vehicle license fund.

The Shikellony Sportsmen's Association was formed at Sunbury with more than fifty members.

Charles L. Snowden, Brownsville, was appointed by Governor Pinchot as a trustee of the Terrace State Hospital.

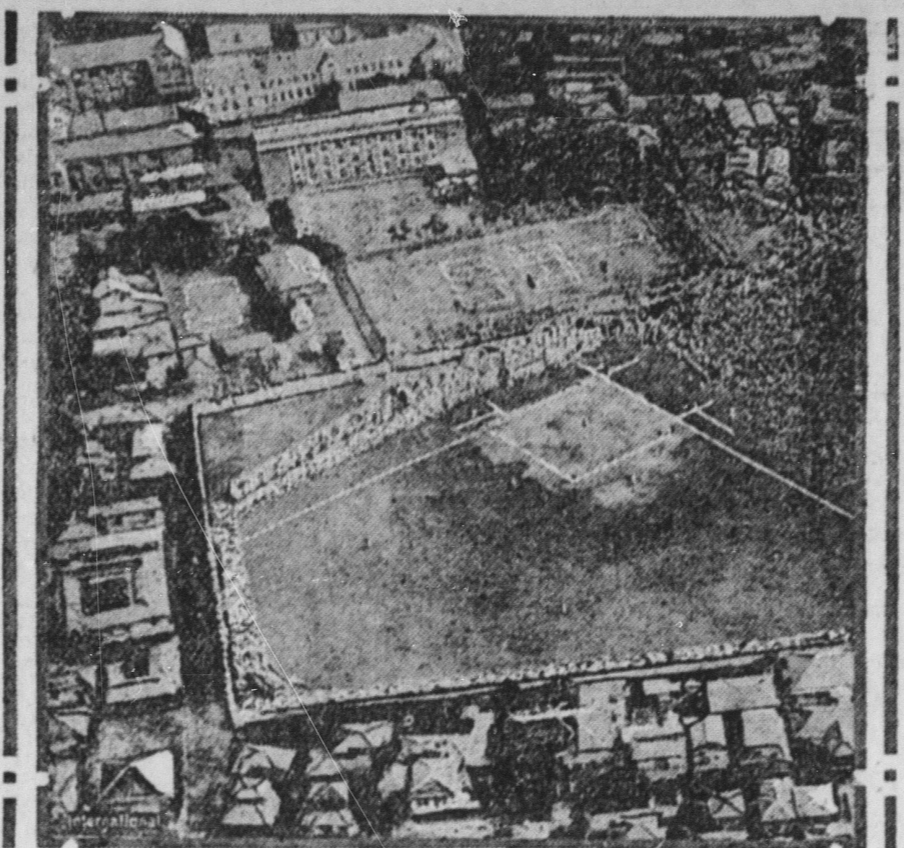
Appointment of Richard N. Koch, of Pottsville, as a member of the Valley Forge Park commission was announced by Governor Pinchot.

V. Chester Brown has been appointed acting postmaster of Quarryville, to succeed Albert H. Fritz.

George Donague, 77 years of age, of Christiansburg, died at the Lancaster General Hospital from injuries sustained when he was struck by an automobile at Christiansburg.

The Tamaqua school board awarded contracts for the erection of a modern six-room school building to cost \$63,273.50.

WASEDA UNIVERSITY FROM THE AIR



Police rules in Tokyo forbid the making of aerial photographs. But a daring pilot-photographer managed to make this unusual view of the great baseball field of the Waseda university, where the American teams play while touring Japan.

Call of Time by Umpire Resulted in Argument

When a player is injured on the ball field, calling of time by the umpire invariably results in an argument. Here is a peculiar play that came up in an American league game last summer.

The batsman hit to the shortstop, who made a bad throw to first base. The first baseman, in an effort to make the play, went far up the line, colliding with the base runner at about the time the ball struck his glove.

So great was the force of the collision, runner and fielder were rendered unconscious. The runner was thrown over and beyond first base, but failed to touch it.

The ball rolled into the infield. It was recovered by the pitcher, who rushed over to where the batsman was lying on the ground and touched him with the ball.

It was apparent both men were badly hurt. The crowd was yelling for the umpire to call time.

Some of Worst Batters Among Old-Time Hurlers

Some of the worst batters among pitchers were Reulbach, Jack Pfister, Ernie Koob and Hub Purdue. Hub was twirling a game at Philly one afternoon and, with two on base and two out, they passed the catcher to get at him.

Purdue swung wildly, caught the ball squarely and hit the right field bleachers on a line. He reached second base and danced up and down in glee, shouting, "I've broken my batting slump of eight years."

But he went right back into it again.

Great Soccer Stand Is Erected in Manchester

With soccer football slowly progressing in this country, its popularity in England is shown by the new grounds built by the Manchester City team. The grandstand will accommodate 10,000. There will be no fewer than six tunnels communicating with the terraces which sweep around three sides of the playing field, and cover 45 miles. There will be 33 tiers, four inches deep, with a 14-inch tread, behind each goal, and 100 on the huge embankment facing the grandstand.

Star Canadian Athlete Will Enter Pittsburgh

Lionel Conacher, the best all-round athlete Canada has ever produced, will enter the University of Pittsburgh in the fall. As an English-style rugby football player and lacrosse exponent he has few equals, and as a baseball and ice hockey expert he is above the average in skill.

Austin Made Manager



Jimmy Austin, veteran infielder of the St. Louis Browns, who has served as a coach for the last two years, and who is now the new manager, succeeded Lee Fohl.

Tour for Star Players

It's early, but the major league stars are making arrangements for their fall barnstorming and easy money.

Rogers Hornsby of the St. Louis Cardinals is said to be planning to take an all-star team on tour. He hopes to have Willie Wamm, Jack Bentley, Jimmy O'Connell and others who are in the public eye because of their money value or because they were bought for fancy prices.

Marty O'Toole is at liberty, by the way, and might be induced to join the aggregation.

Baseball Notes

Both of the Boston clubs have adopted the policy of setting aside Friday as "ladies' day."

Jack Quinn is after Cy Young's record of never having a sore arm during his major league career.

Pitcher Sigman, recently a member of Mobile, Southern association club, has been signed by Little Rock.

George Cykowski, pitcher, lone survivor of the New Haven team of 1921, has been unconditionally released.

Bobby Roth, suspended Kansas City outfielder, has been traded to St. Paul for George Armstrong, utility infielder.

Waddell, Marquard and Benton, each known to baseball fans by their first name "Rube," were famous left-hand pitchers.

A magistrate fined Babe Ruth for speeding. It's a cinch his manager would never fine him for such an offense!

Jack Beatty, new manager of the London Mint league club, is among the few Canadians engaged in professional baseball.

Everett Scott, on the verge of his one hundred and tenth consecutive game, is the world's most habitual shortstop.

J. W. Coombs, former big league pitcher, has been re-engaged to coach the Williams college baseball nine next year.

Charles Ruffing, nineteen-year-old pitcher belonging to the Danville Three-Eye club, has been sold to the Boston Americans.

Marty Krug, manager of the Los Angeles club of the Pacific coast baseball league, will be retained in the position for another year.

No matter where the team is, a fan will go out there and cheer, because he has to cheer over something. He can't over the price of rent.

Catcher Miner of the Ardmore (Okla.) club of the Western association has been purchased by the Columbus American association club.

Baseball is said to be dying out in the Philippines, which is another indisputable evidence that the people are not ready for independence.

Ed Stauffer, right-handed pitcher sent back to the Chicago Cubs by the Wichita Falls club, has been shipped to Hartford in the Eastern league.

To make room for new pitching talent, the Mobile club lets out the veteran Charley Fulton, one of the greatest little all around players in the minors.

Infielder Red Johnson, sold by St. Petersburg to the Brooklyn club, has been engaged as assistant football coach at the University of North Carolina for the coming fall.

Catcher Commits Balk

An unusual play in baseball, a catcher's balk, occurred in a recent game between Little Rock and New Orleans. In the seventh inning, with Gould pitching and Neiderkorn catching, New Orleans filled the bases.

Mitze waited the pitcher out and drew the count to three balls and two strikes. When Gould started to pitch to the batter the three base runners moved simultaneously. Tucker was almost home when the ball neared the plate. Neiderkorn stepped in front of the plate and cut off the throw, trapping Tucker. Umpire McGowan called the play a balk and allowed Tucker to score and Mitze to take first base.

MAJOR LEAGUE CLUBS LOOK TO NEXT YEAR

New York May Win Title This Season, but Wait.

For a large majority of big league cities already, with the season half gone, it is "next year," so far as their pennant prospects are concerned. The world's series of 1923 is practically assured to the metropolis for the third straight year. And yet, with the New York teams admittedly the best in the country, they cannot hold together much longer, writes Louis Dougher in the Washington Times.

Take the Yankees, for instance. Their veteran hurling corps is about ready to be scrambled. This goes for every one of the first five men, all of whom have been pitching for years and years.

Everett Scott is rapidly approaching the end of his string. So is Wally Schang.

Remove Schang, Scott and three veteran twirlers from the Yankees and do it out for yourself.

The Giants, like the Yankees, have a veteran hurling staff that is showing the signs of wear. Heine Groh's knee



Everett Scott.

is troubling him so much that he is considering retirement. Dave Bancroft is now recovering from a breakdown caused by lack of physique to endure the strain. Irish Meusel is another veteran who has seen his best days.

Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

Argentina wants to float a loan. Why not wait and negotiate with Firpo?

After all, Jess Willard, who says Firpo will crown Dempsey, is the only real authority in the matter.

On a golf course when a ball goes out of bounds, it is followed immediately by the owner's temper.

The Yankees have listed nine important football games for decision in their huge stadium next fall.

The English Derby day, the day of the great horse race at Epsom Downs, was established in the reign of George III.

There is nothing in the weather to bring a realization that the time for the first football practice is almost at hand.

Helen Filkey of the Blaine school, Chicago, recently established a world's record of 82-5 for the 80-yard two-foot hurdles.

Michigan is to have seven football coaches—which should be enough to baffle not only the other teams but the men on the home eleven.

The Canadian hockey representatives to the Olympic games in Paris next year, as well as skating aspirants, will sail on the Melita January 10 next.

According to a new ruling of the International Athletic federation, any person who knowingly becomes a professional cannot again be qualified as an amateur.

West Virginia's football eleven is booked for two games in New-York in the fall. The Mountaineers face Penn State on October 27 at the Yankee stadium, and Rutgers at the Polo Grounds on November 6.

Scraps of Humor



BRING ON THE BIG GUNS

"Bang!" went the rifles at the maneuvers. "Oo!" screamed a pretty blonde, a nice, decorous, surprised little scream. She stepped backward into the arms of a young man.

"Oh," she said, blushing. "I was frightened by the rifles. I beg your pardon."

"Not at all," said the young man. "Let's go nearer and watch the artillery.—Pathfinder."



IT WAS ONLY A MANDOLIN

Bug—Jumping crickets! I didn't know any of us ever got that big!

Habit.

I would not work eight hours a day. Nor six nor even four. When ever loading comes my way I want to loaf some more.

Just the Well.

"They tell me you have an off well on your farm."

"There's some truth in it," replied Farmer Cornstossel, "I got the well."—Washington Star.

From Personal Experience.

He—There are an awful lot of girls who don't want to get married. She—How do you know? He—I've asked them.—Stockholm Sunday News.

Then She Showed Her Claws.

Miss Oldum—When I asked papa to let me marry you, he said you couldn't keep an old cat alive. De Broke—Wasn't that a rude name for your father to call you?

Gama.

A visitor in a mountain town inquired, "What game can we shoot around here?" "Pool."

Unusual.

"It's an unusual case." "What is it?" "Brown's. His wife is perfectly satisfied with his table manners."

TIME TO GET BUSY.

Dancing Instructor: It is time for me to invent another dance. Friend: Think so? Dancing Instructor: Yes, I understand there are two towns dancing my last one alike.



At the Crossing.

Maw said: "It's coming!" Is said: "Now, 'tain't!" He tried to cross. And now is ain't.

One Characteristic.

Rub—Dobbs has such a faraway look in his eyes. Dub—Why not? He's a bank cashier.

Getting Practice.

Jack—Why did you kick that medical student out of the library? Tom—They caught me trying to remove the appendix from a book he was reading.—Virginia Reel.

Fellow Feeling.

Crabshaw—I always thought you said you'd never lend money again? Hespeck—But this was to a married friend who needed 10 to keep his wife away in the country another month.

More Than Interest.

"Does your wife take much interest in your business?" "Interest? She takes a mighty big share of the capital."

All Wrong.

Waiter—I hope you were satisfied with your dinner, sir. Diner—Absolutely not. Everything was cold except the ice cream.

Failed to Note.

"When you refused him my hand, papa, did he go down on his knees?" "Well, I didn't notice just where he landed."

AN EXCEPTION.

Mrs. Knagg: After all, I suppose we're about as happy as any married couple.

Mr. Knagg: Just about. The only married couple I know that's any happier have lived apart for the last six years.

