

PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

West Hazleton.—Charged with slaying her new born babe, Mrs. Josephine Gardia, aged 28 years, was arrested.

Pittsburgh.—Anna M. Johnson, nee-gress, was arrested in Braddock by postoffice inspectors who said she was wanted in Wilmington, Del., on a charge of violating the postal laws. They charged that the woman stole \$87 from a letter.

Hazleton.—The next step of the state and federal authorities against saloonkeepers of the anthracite field who have failed to remove their bars and other fixtures will be the issuance of injunctions, it was learned here. A list of all who have refused to comply with the recent orders of state troopers and federal agents has been sent to the office of the attorney general at Harrisburg.

Pittsburgh.—Nero Collins was committed to jail, charged with arson in connection with the burning of his boarding house at Homestead. Three boarders were injured. County Detective Braun announced that Collins had confessed he set fire to the house in an effort to collect \$800 insurance, because his boarders "were way back in their rent."

Phoenixville.—The amendment passed by the last legislature, allowing school boards to charge the cost of instruction to outside pupils, has started a controversy with several nearby township boards, which protest the action of the local board as to the new charge of \$100 for each pupil for the school term. This is an increase of \$39.20 from last year.

Pottsville.—Incensed because their intended victim had no money on his person, two masked robbers seized John Smallada on a bridge at Sharpburg and threw him into Pine creek. A policeman pulled Smallada from the water and rushed him to a hospital, where physicians said his condition was serious.

Greensburg.—William Benjamin, of London, England, is being held in the county jail here charged with having robbed Robinson Vincent, in Sydney, New South Wales, a year ago. He will be held awaiting extradition to Australia, county authorities said. Benjamin was traced to this region by Australian officers and was arrested on request of H. G. Chilton, of the British embassy.

Uniontown.—Through the location of a typewriter which showed peculiar letters, the state police were able to arrest Joseph Meluch, aged 17, of Oliver No. 1, on a charge of sending a threatening letter through the mail. When arraigned before Justice McCombs, of New Salem, the young man, it is said, confessed but declared the letter was only a joke. The missive, which was mailed to Joe Pocusus and Steve Pocusus, father and son, of Union, demanded \$2000 under threat of death.

York.—Sheriff Jonathan A. Gross was notified by the county commissioners that after September 19 he will be charged with one-half the cost of maintenance of the local jail. Commissioner Eugene Frey made the charge at a meeting of the board of commissioners that the fifty prisoners from the Eastern Penitentiary now incarcerated here were brought to York at the solicitation of the sheriff for the purpose of increasing his income.

Pittsburgh.—Joseph Pangerc, a miner, was stabbed to death and Alex Sartorian was wounded seriously at Curtisville. Mystery surrounds the case. According to Sartorian's wife, Pangerc stopped at their home to borrow a flashlight. Sartorian and Pangerc were talking when she went to check the light, she said, adding that while she was in another room she heard the men scream. She found her husband unconscious and Pangerc dead.

Hazleton.—The offices of the Huckleberry Packing Association, of Hazleton, maintained here all summer, to handle shipments of the fruit from the anthracite coal field to market points in New York, Philadelphia, Cleveland and other cities, have been closed. On account of devastating forest fires in the spring, followed by a drought, the huckleberry season was one of the worst in twenty years.

Allentown.—The "little red schoolhouse" once more gave way to a modern building when the new high school of North Whitehall township was dedicated at Ironton. The structure cost \$200,000, and will accommodate more than 600 pupils.

Pittsburgh.—Registration of voters here is 22 per cent less than in 1921. Monessen.—Lawrence Kilcollin was taken to the county jail, charged with passing bad checks at several stores here.

Hazleton.—Council has ordered a referendum at the general election on the two platoon system for the fire department.

Conestoga.—Mrs. Howard I. Duke was seriously burned when an exploding oil stove set fire to her clothing.

Pottstown.—Miss Amelia T. Pickett has resigned as librarian of the Free Library here to assume a similar position in the Wilkes-Barre Public Library.

Altoona.—After thirty-four years of service, Miss Elizabeth L. Snyder has resigned as librarian of the Mechanics' Library.

Pequea.—John K. Hoak, 85 years old and one of the oldest residents here, died suddenly while conversing with relatives.

Lancaster.—Council referred an ordinance which aims to prohibit the sale of other than Pasteurized or tuberculin tested milk within the city to the solicitor for an opinion as to its legality. Milk dealers are preparing to fight the ordinance which they claim will legislate them out of business.

Lansdale.—The annual reunion of the Swarr family on the farm of Samuel T. Rutt, near here, was attended by five generations from many counties.

Pittsburgh.—Perry F. Ramey, of Montgomery county, was elected councillor of the Pennsylvania Council, Order of Independent Americans, assembled here in their twentieth convention. Other officers elected were Vice Councillor Fred C. N. Markus, of McKeesport and Orphan Commissioner George Datt, of Pittsburgh. An appropriation of \$800, asked for the Independent American official organ of the society, was voted down, and the paper will be discontinued. The orphans' committee reported it had 438 children under its care, and approximately \$200,000 had been spent in this work in twenty years.

Hazleton.—Running directly in front of an automobile driven by William Salonoski, of New York, Michael Yannes, aged 9, of Eckley, was crushed beneath the machine and is in critical shape at the State Hospital.

Easton.—Ned, the 14-year-old son of W. W. Bryan, was terribly lacerated and chewed by a chow dog belonging to Louis Sulkin. The dog attacked him repeatedly, tearing open his legs, arms and chest. The matter was reported to the police and a squad was sent out armed with rifles and revolvers. The dog was located at a summer home owned by Sulkin just outside the city limits and when the police could not handle it, alive with safety they shot the animal. Sulkin threatens suit against the city because the dog was killed beyond its boundaries.

Pottsville.—It cost Andrew Rockitts, a Mahanoy City merchant, \$300 to have his fortune told by a gypsy at the Schuylkill county fair. Rosie McGill, the young woman who is alleged to have told the merchant's future while her active fingers were extracting his money, was arrested and sent to the county jail by Alderman Davies.

Pottstown.—Frank Kleh, aged 35 years, laughed when a small piece of steel as large as a man's fingernail struck him in the neck while he was operating powerful shears at Pollock's junk yards. In less than five minutes he was dead, for the fragment of steel had severed an artery leading from the heart to the head. The cut was so small that he was not considered seriously injured. He was married and leaves a family.

Wilkes-Barre.—While cutting a strip of leather, Thomas Tarcin, of Larksville, a striking miner, slashed an artery on his hand and bled to death in the basement of his home. He had turned cobbler during the strike and was repairing shoes for residents of the neighborhood. It is believed that he did not realize the seriousness of his injury and failed to seek help. He was found by members of his family in a weakened condition and said the knife had slipped. Before a doctor arrived he was dead.

Altoona.—Mary Ioup, aged 15, who ran away from her home here a week ago, was caught by Hazleton police and turned over to an officer.

Lancaster.—Local silk mills have been affected by the earthquake paralyzing the silk industry in Japan. Folmer & Clogg company started some departments on an eight-hour shift for an indefinite period, and the Stehl corporation employees will work forty hours a week instead of fifty. In addition, many learners have been indefinitely laid off.

Harrisburg.—The department of highways announced the awarding of the following contracts for road construction: Delaware county—Spring field, Marple and Upper Providence townships, 18,206 feet, to Vincenzo Di Francesco, Lanerch, \$176,286. Northampton county—Wind Gap borough, 13,627 feet, to McInerney & McNeil, Inc., Easton, for \$134,800. Beaver county—Centre and Hopewell townships, 2303 feet, to D. W. Chellis & Sons, Inc., Sewickley, for \$36,055.

Greensburg.—J. E. Stickle, a Spanish American war veteran, was appointed postmaster at Vandergrift; J. A. Conrad, a Spanish-American war veteran, postmaster at Latrobe; John McCune, a world war veteran, postmaster at West Newton, and Dr. Benjamin F. Jenkins, a world war veteran, postmaster at Jeannette, by the aid of Congressman Wyant.

Scranton.—A number of silk mills in this city, which ranks second in the silk industry of the United States, will be compelled to shut down because of the great amount of raw silk destroyed in the Japanese earthquake, the local manufacturers announced. Owners of silk plants here said that prices on raw silk have jumped considerably. The advanced price, together with the small supply of silk available here, compels the local factories to suspend operations until the raw product can be produced.

Schantzville.—Daniel Roeder, of this place, who was thrown over an embankment in an automobile collision, died at the Pottsville Hospital.

Schoenock.—Mrs. Phares Lorah, 45 years old, committed suicide by hanging in the garret of her home here.

York.—Jacob E. Weaver, former mayor of York, was re-elected president of the York County Firemen's Association at the annual convention.

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

JOHN COOLIDGE KEEPING IN TRIM



John Coolidge, left, son of the President, keeps in condition for all eventualities by sparring with Freddie Welsh, former lightweight champion, at Camp Devens.

Diamond Squibs

Talk that isn't cheap is that which winds up in a championship fight.

The Omaha club has returned Pitcher Pat Buckley to San Francisco.

Gearin, the little southpaw, formerly of the Brewers, stands well with McGraw.

When Urban Shocker of the Browns is beaten it is generally a decisive defeat for him.

Backers of the Coffeyville club of the Southwestern league announce they must have funds.

Center Fielder Bill Tanner of the Lincoln club has been sold to the San Francisco Coast league club.

Lee Fohl says in effect he doesn't mind getting the can, but it was the label on it that he objected to.

The Macon club has taken on Berney Acton to play the outfield while Langford is laid up with injuries.

Umpires ought to protest against the new-style knobby, corrugated bottles that the soda-pop bottlers are using.

The Salt Lake club has taken on as utility infielder George Drew, who was picked from an independent team in Oakland.

Manager Dan Howley of the Toronto Leafs denies that any offer of \$100,000 was received for Outfielder Al Wingo.

The state of Yucatan has voted a subsidy to encourage baseball. There's a cue for the Philadelphia and Boston city councils.

To make room for Rube Robinson, the New Orleans club released Pitcher Eddie Matteson, the Nashville club claiming him at the waiver price.

San Francisco, sitting pretty with a substantial lead over its nearest opponents, looks like the best bet to win the Pacific Coast league flag.

Another new one for trial with Vernon is Ed Gillespie, who has been purchased from Austin of the West Texas league on recommendation of Deacon Van Buren, who has been scouting the minors for the Vernon club.

Frank Frisch of the New York Nationals and Joe Sewell of the Cleveland Indians are the best examples of college players who made good in the major leagues without previous experience in the minors.

Coming as Pitcher



Tony Kaufmann, twenty-one-year-old pitcher for the Chicago Cubs, is slated to develop into the greatest pitcher in the major leagues. Tony gives the credit of his fine play to Grover Alexander of the Cubs, who taught him the angles of the slabbing business.

Six Hits in One Game

Hitting six hits in one game is a batting feat. Few players have done it. One of these is Frank Brower of the Cleveland team, who did it a few days ago, playing against Washington. This feat has been done by Mike Donlin, Williams of the Baltimore Orioles, Danny Murphy of the Athletics, Harvey of the old Cleveland team, Bobby Veach of the Tigers and Billy Nance of an old Detroit club.

All except Veach turned this cluster of hits in 1901 or 1902. Bobby Veach did it in 1920 in a 12-inning game.

Bats for Sluggers



In a little shop back of his home at 114 Beecher street, Syracuse, N. Y., Joseph G. Kren makes baseball bats for the chief sluggers of the major leagues. He makes bats for Babe Ruth, Heinie Groh, Rogers Hornsby, Irish and Bob Muesel, Curtis Walker and other noted sluggers of the national game.

Great Science Invoked by Many Ball Players

An idea of the science involved in the playing of baseball may be gained from the fact that a major league player who successfully stole second base recently was severely criticized by his teammates.

The reason for the criticism was that a wind was blowing against the base runner strongly enough to slow him up a fraction of a second, enabling a perfect throw to beat him to the bag.

Outfielder Ross Young Is Big Help to Giants

Ross Young, the Giant outfielder, is another one of those persons who go around carrying baseball teams on their shoulders and never let anyone know about it.

When Young hits—and he usually does—the Giants win ball games. When Young slumps, the Giants slump. It seems he steers their destiny and, inasmuch as they are leading by a safe margin, Young's power is easily calculated.

What he, Max Carey and a few other unheralded stars need is a good press agent who would spread their fame.

American League Record Held by Kid Elberfeld

Norman Elberfeld, while shortstop for Detroit during the American league season of 1901, had 12 assists in the second game of a double-header on Labor day.

No other shortstop has since had that number of assists in a single game and the "Kid," long retired from baseball as a major leaguer, has the satisfaction of holding a record for 23 seasons.

Change of Scene Great Help to Howard Ehmke

Howard Ehmke is one of the pitchers—a southpaw—who has been benefited by a change of scene. With Detroit last year, he was no whizbang, but transferred to Boston, a city not intended to stimulate the best of baseball activities, he has done wonderful work. He has shown the American league he is a good pitcher.

PITCHER'S TASK NOW EASIER, SAYS DINEEN

Arbiter Takes Lively Ball Into Consideration.

"Pitching in the majors is a far easier job today than it was 10 or 15 years ago," remarks Bill Dineen, former star pitcher, now an American league umpire.

"In making such a statement I am taking into consideration the lively ball now in use. A great many fans believe the rabbit ball has made pitching more difficult. My observations are otherwise.

"With the lively ball a pitcher with ordinary stuff who can mix them up has a good chance to win, often a better one, than some pitcher with twice as much stuff.

"My main reason for believing that pitching today is easier than years ago is that nine out of every ten batters who step to the plate are up there to take their healthy swing. A majority of the batters are always swinging for extra bases.

"The percentage of good lead off men has dwindled greatly in the last 10 years. There are few batters who wait the pitcher out to the limit. Incidentally the players who mix up their batting style on the pitcher are greatly in the minority.

"Johnny Tobin, of St. Louis, and Jameson, of Cleveland, are two American league batters who give the pitchers much trouble. They look 'em over carefully, take a healthy swing when they get the pitcher into the hole, bunt well and drag the ball down the first base line in a most annoying manner for the pitcher and first sacker.

"In the old days there were plenty of batters of that style. That kind of batter made pitching a tough job. It's different now, as most of them are up there to take a swing.

"If I was a pitcher these days my big aim would be to get the ball over. Control is a greater asset than ever with the lively ball in use. Get the ball over, but keep it where the batter doesn't like it.

"The fellow with control can constantly keep the batter in the hole, and that's the big thing in pitching."

Matthews Is Star



Wid Matthews, the galloping young outfielder of Connie Mack's rejuvenated Athletics, has been christened "Sparkplug" and is proving himself every bit as popular and successful as his namesake.

INTERESTING SPORT NOTES

Johnny Dundee, champion featherweight boxer of the world, received \$12 for his first fight.

The record for the running broad jump is 25 feet 3 inches. The original record was 17 feet 4 inches.

Mildred Carl of New Haven, Conn., holds the women's world record for pole vaulting—7 feet 2 inches.

In Los Angeles, where 750,000 persons live, 100,288 played golf last year over the city's municipal course.

If charity boxing bouts continue, it will become necessary to print the pugilistic news in the society columns.

There are eighty-five municipal golf courses throughout the United States.

Another reason why so many logical contenders for fight titles appear all at once is because the public is biting well.

Athletics at Oxford university, England, are entirely in the hands of the undergraduates. There are no paid coaches.

The swimming record for a man, covering 100 yards is 53 seconds; the record for a woman is 1 minute 6 seconds.

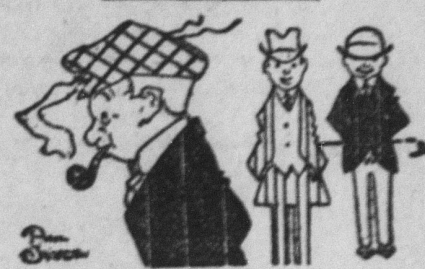
The world's pole vault record is held by Charles Hoff, a Norwegian athlete. The mark is 4.21 meters, or about 13 feet 9 1/4 inches.

Johnstown, Pa., proposes erecting a boxing arena to hold 35,000. It will go up at Ideal park, a bathing beach and amusement park three miles from the city.



A Few Little Smiles

OWED SUCCESS TO COW
Artist—I owe my great success to a cow, to be frank with you.
His Friend—Oh, so the picture that made you famous was one portraying a cow?
Artist—Not exactly. I was painting a landscape in the country and a cow licked most of the paint off from the canvas. I called the result "An Oyster Calling to His Mate," and here I am.—Houston Post.



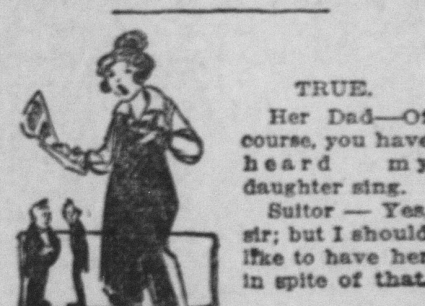
THE SAFER WAY
"He called his mother-in-law an old cat."
"That took some courage."
"Oh, he didn't do it in words; he sent her a package of catnip."

Natural Result.
Bud Elc's, he was a simple lad, who never done no harm. He milked a cow from the left-hand side.
And now he's left the farm! —Country Gentleman.

At the Bargain Sale.
"My wife saved ten dollars at a bargain sale yesterday," said Brown.
"She did," returned Jones; "and did she give you the ten dollars?"
"No," said Brown sadly. "She demanded ten more to buy a hat. Her old one was trampled on in the rush."

To Drown Her Out.
"Is your daughter going to practice on the piano this afternoon?"
"Yes."
"Well, then, will you please lend me your lawn mower? I have to do the lawn some time, anyway."

Pleasure Not Business.
She (indignantly)—You had no business to kiss me!
He (apologetically)—But, hang it all, it wasn't business—it was a pleasure!



TRUE.
Her Dad—Of course, you have heard my daughter sing.
Sutor—Yes, sir; but I should like to have her in spite of that.
Likes Love Sets.
They don't appeal to him. These glorious sunsets—He is a tennis star. And only likes love sets.

Sympathy.
"Pa, what is sympathy?"
"Sympathy, my boy, is made up of just two expressions: 'That's too bad,' and 'I'm very sorry.'"

Doctor Never Treats.
Visitor—How long has Doctor Stars been treating you?
Patient—The doc never treats once I pay all the bills.

Principles.
"A statesman is judged by what he stands for."
"Yes," replied Senator Sorghum, "and also by what he won't stand for." —Washington Star.

The Successful Pugilist.
"What's your idea of a really successful pugilist?"
"One who learns a good monologue and takes care of his money." —Washington Star.

Can't Afford Both.
Mrs. Loser—The dentist says I must have some bridge work done.
Husband—Then you'll have to quit bridge playing.

No Profit.
"Why did you stop playing poker?"
"The hours were very trying. Then I had to pay when I lost and my wife collected when I won."

The Question.
"Try one of these cigars, old man; they're the best things out!"
"How are they when they're lighted?" —Pathfinder.



SURE THEY DO!
"There's that Miss Grubb we met a few months ago."
"You don't mean it! What a difference a few fine clothes make!"