

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS

**Lebanon.**—On the plea of insanity George Ribarovich was found not guilty by a Lebanon county jury of the murder on the night of May 12 of Steve Wessmere and Mike B. Bogavic. Ribarovich ran amuck in the foreign colony at Annville and, after fracturing Lazo Vullatt's skull, stabbed Wessmere and Bogavic.

**Pittsburgh.**—"Spiked fruit" was discovered when county detectives raided an alleged moonshine plant near Gibsonsia and arrested Barnett Sheinin upon a liquor violation charge. In the plant, the officers said, they found row after row of glasses filled with plums and other fruit. The skin of the fruit had been punctured and liquor injected into it.

**Washington.**—Sealers of weights and measures in Pennsylvania have about \$64,500,000 annually for the people of the state, J. Wilbur Crezier, of Johnstown, told delegates attending the annual convention of the Pennsylvania Association of Weights and Measures, the speaker declared. Another speaker of the day was R. W. Smith, of the bureau of standards, Washington, D. C.

**State College.**—The highest producing grade cow in Pennsylvania is believed to be Josephine, owned by A. W. Young, of Somerset county. According to figures announced by I. O. Sidelman, in charge of cow testing association records at the college, she produced 17,797 pounds of milk and 630.1 pounds of fat in twelve months. The total value of the milk was \$635, and the net profit to the owner after deducting feed cost was \$460. The cow is six years old.

**Lancaster.**—Lancaster county will celebrate its 200th anniversary with a fair or exposition at least national in scope in 1928. Preliminary plans were endorsed by members of the Lancaster Rotary Club. The organization will act as a medium in forming a fair commission.

**Hazleton.**—Police have no clew to the whereabouts of Mrs. Patrick Verona, charged with kidnaping her 11-year-old daughter, Katherine, from a local school where she was a pupil. Mrs. Verona was divorced some time ago by the Schuykill county courts, which gave the father custody of the child. Verona and his daughter since had lived with his mother in this city. Mrs. Verona is said to have come here from Amsterdam, N. Y., and taken the child out of school on the plea that she was wanted at home.

**Pottsville.**—The school board decided that school districts from other parts of this county which are having scores of pupils educated in the Pottsville schools must pay up their tuition, due for several years, or the children will not be allowed to come to school here.

**New Castle.**—Mrs. W. U. Taylor, of Croton avenue, suffered severe burns on her face and hands when gas exploded in her kitchen stove and she was hurled across the room.

**Scranton.**—Eight persons were injured and cut by flying glass when two street cars collided in a fog on the Greenwood Hill of the Scranton railway company. Lawrence Lynch, one of the motormen, was the most seriously injured and was taken to a hospital. The cars met head-on in the fog, throwing more than fifty passengers into a panic.

**State College.**—Approximately 90 per cent of the wool pooled co-operatively by Pennsylvania growers still is in their hands awaiting sale. A total of 50,000 pounds has been sold and the remaining 300,000 pounds of the 1923 clip is graded and in storage. Counties still holding their wools are Sullivan, Columbia, McKean, Potter, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango, Fayette, Cameron and Green.

**Greensburg.**—Mrs. Esther M. Hunker, aged 21, died in the Westmoreland Hospital following injuries sustained on August 7 when she jumped from the car of her husband, C. J. Hunker, with whom she had been riding. Mr. and Mrs. Hunker had been enjoying a ride and stopped along a road to let the engine cool off. While Hunker was out of the car the brakes relaxed and it started to move with Mrs. Hunker in it. Believing that she was in great danger, she jumped out and struck on her head.

**Harrisburg.**—The abolition of two grade crossings on the Lackawanna railroad in Stroud township, Monroe county, have been ordered by the public service commission. Complaints against the crossings were made by the Monroe County Automobile Club.

**Pittsburgh.**—When Charles Gabresky, of Hendersonville, appeared in the United States district court here for a final hearing on his application for citizenship he admitted that he had pleaded guilty to violating the liquor laws in Washington county in 1921 and Judge Gibson denied his application.

**Freeland.**—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Canter celebrated the fifty-fourth anniversary of their wedding.

**Sharon.**—Dorothy Ferrick, aged 17, was killed here when she was struck by an automobile as she alighted from a street car.

**Easton.**—Louise, 5-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Graham was found dead in bed, where she had been sleeping with her mother.

**South Connellsville.**—When her clothing caught fire as she was assisting her mother in jelly-making, Miss Agnes Travis, aged 20, was probably fatally burned.

**Harrisburg.**—Governor Pinchot announced appointments to the following state boards: Public school employes' retirement board, Samuel Goodyear, Carlisle; board of examiners of public accountants, Frank W. Main, Pittsburgh; board of veterinary medical examiners, Dr. H. B. Cox, Philadelphia.

**Unlontown.**—Shot from the darkness outside a Fairbanks hall, where a big wedding celebration was in full swing, John Dankey died in the Unlontown Hospital.

**Lancaster.**—While scouring the eastern end of the county for highwaymen the state police arrested Howard Daubert, an army deserter, after he had attacked and seriously injured 5-year-old Regina Scott in a tent on her father's farm near the Gap. When arraigned in aldermanic court, Daubert pleaded guilty to having assaulted the child, but denied implication in the recent robberies in Lancaster county.

**Pittsburgh.**—George Kitzmiller is dead and his wife, Violet, is in a Braddock hospital, dangerously wounded, as the consequence of a shooting at the home of Mrs. Mary Hammers, sister of Mrs. Kitzmiller, at Braddock. The Kitzmillers had been separated for several weeks. Kitzmiller, the police reported, went to Mrs. Hammer's residence to have a talk with his wife, and when she refused to return to him shot her in the abdomen and then killed himself.

**Unlontown.**—The Fayette county chapter of the American Red Cross mailed a \$10,000 check to the Japanese relief fund.

**Portage.**—Regis Belter and Peter Kopchak, were killed and two other men injured by a fall of rock in a mine.

**Franklin.**—The local branch of the Wild Life League received thirty cans of small catfish, which will be placed in French creek, Sugar creek, and Big Sandy creek. Within a few days a large consignment of bluegills is expected.

**Erie.**—The Parade street business section of the city was threatened with destruction by fire when flames swept through the large store of the Stanley Furniture company, Twelfth and Parade streets, and leaped across two streets, causing damage to a score of buildings. The Stanley store was completely destroyed with its contents with a loss estimated at \$150,000. Damage of \$50,000 was caused to adjoining property.

**Harrisburg.**—A tentative program of addresses which Governor Pinchot will deliver during October, announced at the governor's office here, provides for speeches in Reading, Wilkes-Barre, Erie, Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, as well as several cities outside the state. October 3 he plans to attend the 175th anniversary of Reading, and the next day will go to Philadelphia to attend the world's dairy conference. He is scheduled to speak before the state convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union at Erie, October 8, and the next day to attend the session of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, in Erie. On October 11 the governor expects to go to the Columbus Day celebration in Pittsburgh, and on October 14 to a citizenship conference in Washington, D. C.

**Pittsburgh.**—William Minor, negro, who pleaded guilty to a charge of selling drugs was sentenced to pay a fine of \$1000 and serve four years in the workhouse by Judge H. H. Rowland. In passing sentence, Judge Rowland said: "You have ruined many lives and the court must do its part in putting an end to the activities of men like you."

**Lebanon.**—Captain Harry A. Kurtz, commander of Battery H, 213th coast artillery, Pennsylvania national guard, forwarded his resignation to Adjutant General Beary.

**Pittsburgh.**—G. A. Miller, a general foreman of the West Penn Power company, pleaded guilty to false pretense and the fraudulent conversion of \$83,000 in criminal court and was sentenced by Judge Josiah Cohen to serve not less than three years and ten months nor more than eight years in the penitentiary. Miller had charge of sixteen gangs of men, working for the company in remote sections of Western Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia. Since 1915 he had placed fictitious names on the payroll, the court was told.

**Wilkes-Barre.**—Buried beneath an avalanche of dirt when the sides of a cellar which he was digging gave way, Andrew Chesonick, aged 52, of the West Side, was rescued by fellow employees. Though suffering from severe injuries of the back, it is believed he will recover.

**Phoenixville.**—Harold E. Patrick, aged 9 years, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy H. Patrick, in Charleston, from internal injuries, which he received several days ago when he fell six feet from the roof of his father's barn, when he and several other boys were playing there.

**Harrisburg.**—An indignation meeting was held by forty employees of the state highway department, who have received no pay for three weeks. On investigation they found that the supply of blank checks which must be forwarded to the treasury before their vouchers can be made out had become exhausted.

**Hazleton.**—Twelve-year-old Michael Matrone lost three fingers from his right hand when he exploded a cap he had picked up at a fireworks display.

**Pittsburgh.**—Prohibition agents reported that they were forced to draw their pistols while confiscating 100 barrels of beer in a freight car here. Four men, who they said, were unloading the beer, were arrested. When the men resisted arrest, the agents said, they covered them with pistols.

**Hauto.**—Although offering \$13 a day for bricklayers, a construction company here has been unable to get many men.

## SERGEANT ADKINS IS CHAMPION SHOT



### Do You Believe This?

In the early days of baseball (1859 and 1860), an umpire was highly honored, was accorded the utmost courtesy by the players, and accepted as one of the distinguished men of the city. An easy chair was provided him near the home plate, and he was given a fan on hot days. Absolute comfort for an umpire was uppermost in the minds of the players.

## Sporting Squibs of All Kinds

The New York state boxing commission's age limits for boxers are twenty-one and thirty-eight, inclusive.

Coach Spears of West Virginia university football squad demonstrates his method of play when instructing his squad.

The Phillies have purchased Leonard Metz, a shortstop, from the Grand Island club of the Nebraska State League.

A report from Stockton, Cal., has it that the Browns have acquired a new shortstop from the independent Sonora team in that section by the name of Urban Pickering.

George Uhle has been the main item in accounting for Cleveland's success in breaking the spell the Yankees had held over the Indians for two straight years up to this season.

Ernest Calbert, outfielder of the Decatur team, will have employment during the winter and early spring, for he has been engaged as athletic coach for a high school in Decatur.

Outfielder Leo Payne is going up again. Last fall the Grand Rapids club sold him to Indianapolis. Later he was shipped to Fort Smith, from which club Grand Rapids bought him back. Now Grand Rapids has sold him to Rochester.

There must be some special diet for second basemen in Chicago that makes them fast on their feet. Eddie Collins of the White Sox and George Grantham of the Cubs lead both leagues in stolen bases. They must eat hops three meals a day.

### Chick Evans as Model



Chick Evans, noted golf star, was selected as the model for the golfing figure surmounting a sun dial, which is to be dedicated in Jackson park, Chicago, by the golfing fraternity of the Chicago district, as emblematic of "the spirit of the game." Evans is said to most truly typify the spirit of golf and the sun dial is to be a constant reminder for all generations of this great sport.

## Quick Changes Made in Featherweight Section

"The king is dead; long live the king."

Never was a saying more applicable than in the case of that division of the ring game known as the featherweight section. In the short space of less than eight weeks, short of two days, the boxing world had three featherweight champions, something unparalleled in ring history.

Up to about sundown on June 2 this year, Johnny Kilbane was featherweight boss, the same as he had been ever since he dethroned Abe Attell at Vernon, Cal., on February 22, 1912. But right then and there he ceased to reign for Eugene Criqui of France, a World war hero, knocked him out in the sixth round.

Making good his promise to meet Johnny Dundee before returning to his beloved country, Criqui had his world's title wrested from him in a New York ring July 26.

## College Baseball Stars Are Not Mollycoddles

College graduates playing ball in the big leagues aren't the meek, mild sort of fellows they used to be when tossed in with a bunch of hard and seasoned veterans. The mollycoddle type pictured in the old days is now passe.

Consider the coming into the majors of Happenny, former University of Illinois star, and now a member of the White Sox. Just four days after Happenny joined the Gleason entourage at Detroit he was chased out of the ball yard by Umpire Moriarty. He was requested to leave for doing too much talking from the bench. At least such was the opinion of ye ump.

In college Happenny hung up many records in both football and baseball and he no doubt established another mark in the majors by being "run out" ere he had been in the main tent a week, and without even getting his name in the box score.

## Harvard's Long List of Famous Gridiron Stars

Harvard has had a long list of famous gridiron stars, but the most famous of them all is Eddie Mahan, who finished his career in 1915 by taking the Crimson to a 4-0 victory over Yale, the worst defeat the Bulldogs had ever known before or since. Mahan was one of the original "triple-threat" men and one of the best. He began about the time that Houghton started to open up the Crimson play and to run plays from punt formation. Mahan was one of the powerful type of runners, with a tricky pivoting style. He was a consistent 45-yard punter and a beeline passer. When as captain of Harvard in 1915 he led the attack on Yale he scored 20 points, 4 touchdowns and 5 goals. He made 14 punts of 45 yards and 5 over 50. No other individual Crimson player ever was as successful against Yale.

## Umpire Tommy Connolly Controls Rowdy Players

Tommy Connolly is one of the best umpires in the business. Connolly for years has been known as a bug on the rules. He knows the rule book inside out, backward and forward. Some folk believe he's the guy who invented the rules governing the game.

Handling a game from behind the plate, the veteran arbiter almost never has any fuss with the players. He has a witty tongue which he uses to bring laughs to the most earnest player in tight places. He uses excellent judgment in controlling unruly players, captains and managers, and ball games in which he performs are smooth affairs.

## Britisher Covers Three Miles Under 15 Minutes

William Cotterell of the British army, one of England's best distance runners, recently turned in a performance of distinction. He ran three miles under 14 minutes 24 seconds. The great Finnish exponent, Paavo Nurmi, ran the distance in 14 minutes 8 4-10 seconds. Alfred Shrubbs' 14 minutes and 7 3-5 seconds was the world's best for nearly 20 years until Nurmi got going.

## Gibbons Helped Dempsey

Jack Dempsey's friends now say that his bout with Tom Gibbons was a liberal education for the champion.

It revealed to him many things which he thought he knew and didn't. Or, rather, it revealed to him that he had forgotten many of the things he used to know.

Nothing but a surprise battle such as Gibbons put up could impress upon Dempsey the fact that he wasn't as good at that time as all his admirers were telling him he was.

## CHAMPIONSHIP RACE OF 1908 RECALLED

### Present Runaway for Pennant Is Quite Different.

The runaway race the New York Yankees made in the American league this season, in deep contrast recalls the hot finish in the same circuit back in 1908. For the dash for the flag that year was without a doubt the most sensational ever witnessed in either of the two major loops.

In that hectic campaign there were no less than four clubs fighting for the leadership way into the month of September. And it was an even battle all around. Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland and St. Louis, the contesting teams, each had an equal chance to cop.

The situation was of further interest in that it was a purely "western affair," the four Atlantic seaboard clubs being left out in the cold.

Down the home stretch came the quartet like so many race horses. It looked like a blanket finish. But with about two weeks to play, the St. Louis



"Wild Bill" Donovan.

entry faltered, and was outdistanced, leaving the other three to wage it out. And what a merry old battle it was.

But with the final wire almost in sight, Cleveland, likewise, found the pace too hot, and fell back, though still remained in the running, should either or both of the other two slack up momentarily. The Indians, in other words, retained an outside chance.

On to the last series of the season went the trio, with Detroit and Chicago almost neck and neck. Thus with only three games to play, the Tigers were due in the Windy City to wind up the chase and incidentally decide the pennant winner.

Detroit needed but one of the contests to grab the gonfalon, Chicago had to sweep the series, providing that Cleveland didn't win all four of its games from the Browns, in which case the Indians still had a show. But Cleveland was put out by St. Louis in the opening tilt, thus giving Detroit and Chicago a clear field.

Seemingly to make a sensational finish to an otherwise sensational race, the White Sox captured the first two games, leaving the championship to hinge on the final encounter of the season. Victory for either club meant the pennant, and a chance to go into the world series.

Needless to say, that last game was watched with intense interest throughout the country. Baseball fans were all "hot up." For a championship was at stake. And championships aren't won in a day.

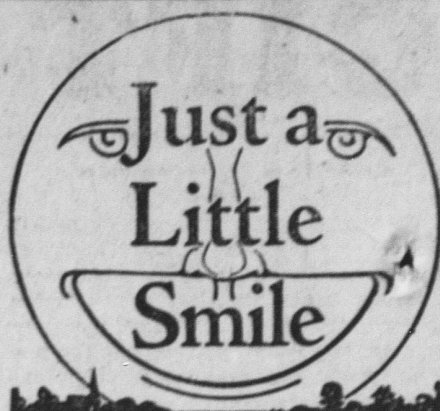
But the Tigers, with their backs to the proverbial wall, and on hostile soil, aided by the great pitching of "Wild Bill" Donovan, turned back the chesty Chicago gang, and won their second pennant in as many seasons. Not a single run did the White Sox get off the offerings of Donovan that day, so well was the "Smiler" the master of ceremonies, while the Tigers almost annihilated the Chicago hurriers, leaving no "ifs and ands" as to the rightful victor.

And thus ended the 1908 pennant race in the American league—a campaign that no doubt ranks without parallel in the history of baseball.

## Wand of Chance Waves Over Sale of Horses

The wand of chance which waves over the sales ring is aptly illustrated by the summary of the three-year-old trot, which was decided at Goshen, N. Y.

Trumpet, the winner of the race in world record time, was purchased as a yearling at a New York sale for \$335. Sybil Frisco, the filly which finished second to him, was sold on the same day for \$9,000.



PENALTY OF PROMINENCE

Glady's father is, a colonel on the staff of the governor, and on a recent occasion she saw him, in brave array, on his way to attend a social function given by the governor.

"How did you like your father in his uniform?" the colonel asked his small daughter that night.

"You looked handsomer than any one else," said Glady, loyally, "and you held your head up as high. But I think they were mean not to let you have a drum to play on!"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.



### GIRLS.

The way they act shows love is blind, and makes one jealous as Othello; For when they fall in love, you find it's always with the other fellow.

### More in Evidence.

At Mary's lamb We do not longer laugh; Interest now Is all in Mary's calf.

### Drama's Decline.

An old actor was wont to claim that he had worked with Booth and Barre. When questioned about his part he would always answer: "I did hoof-beats," then add: "The drama has gone to pot." "Why so?" some of the younger generation would indignantly inquire. "Anyone can do the honks nowa-days," was the sad reply.

### An Oversight.

"My doctor put me on a rigid diet, but he said I could eat all the spinach I wanted."

"Well?"

"The darned fool evidently didn't know that I like spinach."—Wayside Tales.

### Grows Both Ways.

Laborer—I'd like to get some time off to get a haircut. Foreman—A haircut! On company time? Laborer—Well, don't it grow on company time?

### My Word!

First Club Member—I don't think he'll do for our organization. He's terribly old-fashioned. Second Club Member—Yes, I understand he still cranks his car.

### Nothing Serious, We Hope.

The Missionary—I hope, Mrs. Baldowsky, that you and your husband are living together in harmony. Mrs. Baldowsky—Ach, nein. Ye are living in de Ghetto.

### Dun.

"Why do you avoid that firm?" "They dun me." "You mean they did you?" "No, they dun me. Hound me with a bill collector every week."

### No Dieting.

Mrs. Stouter—My land of living, how did you manage to reduce? Mrs. Nowslim—We moved to a smaller apartment.

### HIS IDEA.

She: They say that the love of money is the root of— He: Yes—I know—of most matrimony.

### Candidacy.

There is one endless task we see. When one election's over The lucky man prepares to be A candidate some more.

### His Specialty.

"Does Wombat play golf?" "Oh, yes." "I never hear him talk about it." "He merely plays it."

### Silly Question.

Mr. Fusser—Aren't you nearly ready? Mrs. Fusser—I wish you'd stop asking me that question. I've been telling you the last hour that I'd be ready in a minute.

### Lagniappe.

Joy-riding on promissory notes is a fine way to skid. Hope springs eternal, and these days it needs springs. Every day is Sunday to the reformer. Only death is certain, and even that has elements of doubt.

### His Views.

"Then you want woman to vote?" "By all means. This will occupy her mind and she won't have so many other things to howl for."