

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE ITEMS**

Altoona.—Led by Burgess Blair Boyles, a federal prohibition officer conducted raids in Juniata, rounding up eleven men for violation of the prohibition laws and confiscating sixteen barrels of wine and one still. The defendants were held for court.

Harrisburg.—Attorney General Woodruff agreed that the commonwealth should become a party to an action testing the law authorizing boroughs to become third class cities, brought at the instance of citizens of Washington, for which a third class city charter was issued last April 5. The result, it was said would affect every election on the question of boroughs becoming third class cities, held in the past eight years. The action will be instituted on the basis that the election held under an act of 1915 was void in that it offended the constitution. The city officials are cited to show the authority by which they hold office, the petitioners claiming that Washington is not a city but a borough. The case will be heard in the Dauphin county courts.

Shamokin.—Dr. W. C. Wetzel, a local dentist, narrowly escaped drowning when he slipped on some loose earth and plunged into the deep waters of Penns creek, near New Berlin. Unable to swim, he had disappeared beneath the surface when Dr. K. C. Vought, a fellow-dentist, just recovering from an operation for appendicitis, dived into the water and pulled him to shore. Both are suffering from shock as the result of their icy bath. The accident and rescue occurred while a party of local dentists were on an outing at a cottage.

Pittsburgh.—Wilma Farnoff and Caroline Biggs were paroled for one year on a charge of shoplifting recently. Their tears and the pleas of their victims won them freedom. The young women have again appeared in morals court, charged with stealing a dress from a department store. Magistrate Tensard De Wolf told them that they had abused the confidence of the Judge who paroled them. He held them for court under \$1000 bail each.

Pittsburgh.—After arguing with his wife Nicholas Smith decided that the best way out was to get into jail. He left the house and was arrested after attempting to hold up a drug store owner. Smith told a magistrate about the argument and of his decision to go to jail rather than continue it. Mrs. Smith, in confronting his story, said he was a steady worker and a good provider. He was held for investigation.

Pittsburgh.—Three boards of the United Presbyterian church, in charge of mission work in America and with headquarters here, have been consolidated under a reorganization plan adopted by the general assembly last May. It was announced. The new board, known as the board of home missions, comprises the former boards of home missions, Freedmen's Missions and church extension. The new board will handle approximately \$1,000,000 annually.

Pittsburgh.—Letters of administration were granted in the estate of Mrs. Catharin Arbuckle Jamison, who died last June leaving property estimated in excess of \$1,000,000, but without making a will. She was survived by her daughters, and her son, William A. Jamison, who lives in New Jersey. The letters of administration were granted to the daughters.

Wilkes-Barre.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wychunas, parents of William J. Wychunas, of West Hazleton, who was killed in a hunting accident in Potter county, on November 6, filed a suit in the local courts against Harry E. Hersker, of West Hazleton, asking \$20,000 damages. They charge that the shooting was due to carelessness and ask for \$10,000 for the loss of their son's support and an equal amount as punitive damages.

Harrisburg.—Additional appointments to county boards of trustees of the mothers' assistance fund announced at the governor's office were: Beaver, Mrs. Clara E. Manning, Ambbridge; Indiana, Mrs. Mary B. Rhodes and Mrs. Lottie McH. Stewart; Indiana; Jefferson, Mrs. Rose C. Durbin, Brockwayville; Lebanon, Mrs. H. J. Shenk, Lebanon; Lehigh, Mrs. Marion W. Robinson, Bethlehem; Lycoming, Mrs. Howard Cheney, Williamsport; Northumberland, Mrs. Frank A. Bahle, Miss Anna M. Schable and Mrs. E. H. Simmons, Shamokin.

York.—Plans for a nine-story apartment hotel of the most modern type to be erected here by Baltimore and Washington capitalists, are now being drawn up by York architects.

Bellefonte.—Chester Ingram, negro, of Fayette county, was electrocuted at the Rockview penitentiary for the murder of George F. Riley, of Philadelphia, a special officer, employed by the H. C. Frick Coal company, at Edenborn, near Unifontown, last March.

Wrightsville.—Mrs. William V. Zorbaugh received a postcard that was mailed November 6, 1909, in Chicago, by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Scott Fisher, who died over four years ago.

Sunbury.—The Northumberland commissioners awarded \$10,800 of gasoline tax money to Sunbury and Upper Augusta township to be used in improving roads entering the city.

Pittsburgh.—Believed by the police to be the victim of a vendetta, the body of Notoles Romano, of Trafford City, Pa., was found in a North Broad street dock. He had been shot in the left breast.

Washington.—Five persons were injured, one seriously, when two engines running light as a double-headed plowed into the bus which operates between Bentleyville and Cokeburg at the main street crossing in Bentleyville. The accident was witnessed by scores of persons returning home from church. George Rotice, Jr., aged 12, of Bentleyville, was crushed internally and is in the Memorial Hospital at Monongahela in a serious condition.

Greensburg.—Claiming that they were permanently injured when their automobile was wrecked last October by a machine driven by Isadore Victor, of Charlelot, James R. Parker, John T. Parker and George I. Parker, all of Parnassus, are asking \$75,000 damages, or \$25,000 each, in a suit filed here.

Pittsburgh.—Railroad detectives claim that more than fifty robberies from Pennsylvania railroad freight cars were cleared up with the arrest of John C. Kirkpatrick, of New Kensington; Frank E. Wagner, of Natrona, and John T. Barbour, of Pittsburgh. Merchandise valued at \$1000 was recovered when their homes were searched, the officers said.

Scranton.—Seventeen-year-old Viola Williams, of this city, was instantly killed when the automobile in which she was riding turned over on the Lackawanna Trail, near Foster. Several companions were slightly injured. Nora Scully, of Towanda, was struck by an automobile here and died several hours later in a hospital.

Pottsville.—Theories of kidnaping were taken into consideration by the police in considering the disappearance of John Redding, aged 15, who has been missing from his home at Mount Laffee since December 10. He last was seen when leaving one morning for school and state and city police have since failed to find any trace of him. The boy's grandmother has collapsed.

State College.—An average of 187 eggs per bird for the poultry year just completed in the record of a flock of White Leghorns owned by Lynn H. Harnish, of Water street, Huntingdon county. The Huntingdon county poultryman started the year with 1150 birds, no "star boarders" were permitted and Harnish culled frequently last summer, ending the year with 500 hens. Graduating from the four-year course in agriculture at Penn State Harnish went back to his home community and became a leader. He is demonstrating that there is money in farming where efficient methods are combined with a willingness to work. His flock paid him \$1.20 every hour he spent on it.

Minersville.—Robert Clapper, a chemist, has accepted a position with an oil company at Baku, Russia.

Tremont.—Arthur Williams, employed in the engineering department of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company, was promoted to division engineer of this district.

Hazleton.—A touring car belonging to Michael Dutz, stolen in this city, was found wrecked by fire between Silver Brook and McAdoo.

Greensburg.—By order of Judge Dom, 700 quarts of good whisky, confiscated in raids, will be turned over to the four hospitals in Westmoreland county.

Hazleton.—Walter Basil, a Jeddo miner, was given one year in jail by Judge Garmon on a charge of bigamy.

Pittsburgh.—Four thousand five hundred and fifty-two criminal cases were disposed of in Allegheny county in 1923.

Spruce Creek.—After serving the Pennsylvania railroad for fifty years, Samuel E. Hyle, station agent here, will go on the roll of honor.

Mechanicsburg.—Thieves, entering the home of Philip Arbigast, stole a gold watch, a ring and \$27 in cash from beneath the Christmas tree.

Harrisburg.—The appointment of Seth Gingrich, of Palmyra, as a special claim adjuster in the state workmen's insurance fund, was announced by Secretary of Labor and Industry Meeker.

Bloomsburg.—Frank Dieterick has just rounded out his twenty-fifth year as truant officer.

Hollidaysburg.—In Blair county in 1923 only ninety-six divorces were granted, as against 108 last year and 143 in 1921.

Hazleton.—Burglars broke into the public library and carried off all the change they found in desks.

West Hazleton.—Council will license groceries, cigar stores, pool rooms and candy stores that sell near beer.

Hazleton.—Miss Carmen Pfeil, of the high school, won a prize for the best essay by a senior or junior pupil on playground work.

Bloomsburg.—The state normal school here has more than 1900 students enrolled, 632 in the school proper, 508 in the extension department and 712 in the summer school list.

Pittsburgh.—One hundred and eleven men were naturalized in federal court here.

Altoona.—Thieves broke into the Shaffer company's store and stole a ham and eighteen dozen eggs.

Selinsgrove.—William G. Jarrett, oldest school teacher in Snyder county, died at his home here at the age of 70 years, from a general breakdown.

Hazleton.—Foremen and other executives of the Jeddo-Highland Coal company received a month's salary as a holiday bonus.

Sunbury.—Council decided to grant a \$10-a-month pay raise to the police force.

Berwick.—Council sold to the Berwick National Bank at par and accrued interest an issue of \$65,000 worth of sewer bonds.

Grovia.—John Welliver used a lighted lantern to ascertain how much gasoline was in the tank of his automobile and is in bed suffering with severe burns.

**PENN STATE SMASHES PRECEDENT**



Basil G. Gray, star center, a sophomore, has been elected to lead the 1924 Penn State eleven. In choosing Gray captain, the players broke a precedent of many years standing, for he is only a sophomore, and has played on the varsity but one season. He made the unusual record of intercepting a forward pass in every game played during the season. His older brother was captain of the 1910 Penn State eleven.

**Champion John McHugh**



Johnny McHugh, nineteen-year-old state amateur golf champion of California. The youth recently annexed the state title and has also won the San Francisco Bay counties and the San Francisco Municipal Links championships.

**Novelty in Golf Sport Affords Much Amusement**

George W. Greenwood, writing in the Golf Illustrated, tells of a new indoor game in England which seems difficult enough to provide many of the tantalizing elements of the outdoor game. It is called "Target," and is not played with a shotgun. On a net 50 feet high are placed four small targets, A, B, C and D, A being the lowest target and D the highest. A and B are the marks for wooden club play and C and D for irons. To hit the target constitutes a bull and is a perfect score. On each side of the targets are white vertical lines. To miss the target and hit within the lines counts one; a hit outside the lines counts two; a topped ball lands in bunkers in the foreground and counts three. A hit over the net counts four. The A target represents the elevation the ball should be hit against the wind and the B target is about the elevation the ball should take off the tee with the wind.

**Editorial Attacks Niche Given College Football**

Football "should be shoved back in its place," says the leading editorial in the Circle, monthly literary magazine at the University of Chicago. The editorial declares that collegiate gridiron rivalry has reached a stage of abnormality when "thousands of dollars are spent in preparation in the two and one-half months' period devoted to football. The editorial suggests that although there is no enmity against football, that sport nevertheless should be put in its place.

**Other Sports Added to Olympic Games in Paris**

In addition to track and field sports the United States will be represented in the 1924 Olympic festival in Paris in speed and figure skating, hockey, rugby and soccer football, polo, target shooting, shotgun matches, fencing, wrestling, lawn tennis, swimming, boxing, gymnastics, weight lifting, equestrian sports, cycling, and yachting. Rowing, too, will probably find the United States colors in evidence despite the earliness of the July regatta dates.

**Ten Prominent Veterans Among Football Coaches**

There are no fewer than ten football coaches who have had more than 25 years of service each. Among the prominent veterans are Heisman, who started coaching 31 years ago; Stagg, 31 years; Yost, 25 years, and Warner, 30 years.

**Sporting Squibs**

Thirteen prominent women in England have racing stables.

The United States Golf association is now represented by 627 clubs.

The Boston Red Sox have selected San Antonio as the 1924 training camp.

During the past summer there were thirty-three leagues in the United States playing baseball.

The next problem of overpopulation will be centered on the Southern golf links.

A book is out on "Inside Golf." Is the game getting as intricate as all that?

James H. Sheldon of Auburn, N. Y., has been elected captain of the Brown football team of 1924.

The Chinese team in the hockey league at Wisconsin university is one of the strongest in the circuit.

McGraw's visit to Europe may have been to look over some of these dictators as possible pinch hitters.

Ten baseball stars who were colleagues are Mathewson, Overall, Bender, Plank, Stahl, Collins, Barry, Devlin, Sisler and Frisch.

Because of the earthquake Japan will send only ten athletes to next year's Olympic games instead of thirty, as originally intended.

Robert Roth of Switzerland, who won the heavyweight wrestling championship at the last Olympic games, has become a professional boxer.

The new Tanform race track, near San Francisco, Calif., is known as the "betless track." There is no betting permitted, "either inside or out."

Bob Martin, heavyweight champion of the American expeditionary and inter-allied forces, is a member of the state constabulary of West Virginia.

Eddie Konecny, former first baseman for St. Louis and Brooklyn in the National league, will not manage Omaha of the Western league, again next season.

Several veterans are included in the Notre Dame basketball squad. Enright, Layden and Crowe, forwards; Captain Mayl and Kizer, guards, and Don Miller, center.

**McLean in Exhibition**



Bobby McLean, world-famous ice skater, is shown giving an exhibition of fancy skating on a specially-built rink in a big New York department store. The novel idea was inaugurated for the Christmas shopping season.

**Fancy Pair of Yankees**

Even though Carl Mays is about through, Bob Shawkey slipping and Joe Bush past the peak of his game, Miller Huggins of the Yankees is not worrying about pitching. In Pipgras and Roettger he has two of the most promising rookie right-handers in the country. Another year's experience and both will be ready to step in and deliver.

**TENNESSEE HOME OF FINE THOROUGHBREDS**

**Breeding Industry Has Lost Ground in Late Years.**

Tennessee possesses advantages unsurpassed anywhere for the breeding of horses of all types, the trotter as well as the thoroughbred, and that other distinct animal called the saddle horse.

This fact was exemplified 30 years ago when that state was breeding for the open market horses of superior quality both for the running and the trotting track and for use under the saddle and for show purposes.

There is something, call it what you will, in the climate, the grass and the water of Tennessee that imparts to the blood of native bred horses the highly desirable potency that tends to the fullest development of their powers of speed and endurance.

Exceptional opportunities for revenue are offered in the breeding of saddle stock, horses of that type being especially in good demand just now and likely to continue for many years to come.

Riding clubs are popular in many of the larger cities of the country, and evidence is not lacking to show that they are multiplying at a rate that soon will result in their establishment, in every populous center of the United States and Canada.

Time was when Tennessee thoroughbreds were sought in every market on this side of the Atlantic. But the breeding industry in late years has lost much ground.

**Dodgers Sign J. Jones**



Johnny Jones, shortstop, who, with another player, has been purchased by the Brooklyn, N. Y., baseball club for \$50,000, or thereabouts. Jones has a batting average of .300 for 130 games and is a fast man on the field as well as on the paths. He is from the Portland-club of the Pacific Coast league.

**Considerable Criticism on Steel Shaft Markings**

It appears as if the United States Golf association has left itself open to considerable criticism for the stand it has taken with regard to the steel shaft.

According to official word, markings on the face of iron heads must not exceed one-sixteenth of an inch in width nor shall they be less than three thirty-seconds of an inch apart. Also all rough or raised edges must be eliminated.

In the opinion of most golfers, the whole situation could have been simplified if the officials had come out for smooth-faced clubs, devoid of all lines and punches.

**Seven Champions Credited by International Boxing Union**

The International Boxing union in Paris has credited seven world championships to the United States. The following boxers were recognized as world champions by the union: Flyweight, Pancho Villa; bantamweight, Joe Lynch; featherweight, Johnny Dundee; lightweight, Benny Leonard; welterweight, Mickey Walker; middleweight, Harry Greb; heavyweight, Jack Dempsey. Gene Tunney of New York is the recognized American lightweight champion.

**Notre Dame's Ball Team to Take Southern Trip**

Notre Dame's baseball team will make another long southern trip in the spring. Games with Vanderbilt, Georgia Tech and Alabama are contemplated. Besides the contests with southern nine, the Irish are booked with Iowa, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Purdue and Indiana. Thirty games, in all are in sight.



**CAP AND BELLS**

**THE STERN PARENT**

Blivvens was far from being a physical giant—in fact, he was what is termed a shrimp—but he prided himself on his decided views, especially on bringing up the young. One of his pet theories was that, no matter how obstreperous, children should never be spanked.

"But," objected a friend, "as-a-t' there times—"

"Never," interrupted Blivvens firmly. "As true as I sit here, I have never raised a hand against my children except in self-defense."—American Legion Weekly.

**Old Memories.**

"You seem to hate that girl."

"I once gave her an engagement ring, but she threw me over."

"Well, I wouldn't hold rancor against a girl I once loved."

"It isn't exactly that," said the other chap. "But it makes me peevish every time I see her. I'm still paying the installments on that ring."

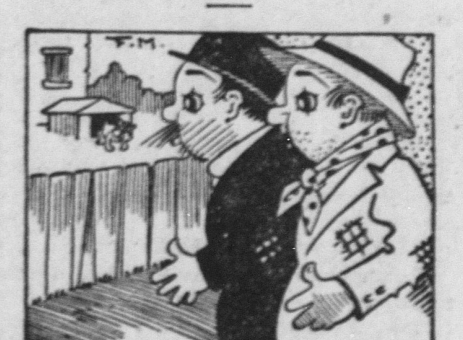
**Backdoor Etiquette.**

"Now, I'd like to know what you want!" snorted the angry housewife as she confronted the tattered stranger standing timidly on the back steps.

But the dusty one was in no way disconcerted. He considered a moment and then asked mildly:

"Well—what have you?"—American Legion Weekly.

**DOG WITH THE GRIP**



First Tramp—It ain't healthy 'r' go 't dat house.

Second Tramp—Has dey all got de gripe?

First Tramp—Naw, but de dog has.

**Migration.**

In winter, south; in summer, north; The tourists gayly roam. A song anew is sounding forth.

"There's no such place as home."

**Discriminating**

Johnny—What does it mean to take a thing philosophically?

Mother—It's the way your paw pays his card debts, but not the butcher's bill.—Harper's.

**Catty, Indeed.**

"I'll never marry," said Miss Passey, with emphasis.

"Perhaps not," replied Miss Snapp, "but you certainly have put up a gallant fight."

**Ever Youthful.**

Doctor—Is the pain still at the old place?

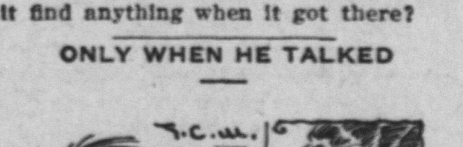
Lady (stiffly)—I beg your pardon, doctor. I have no old places.

**Information Desired.**

Howell—I had a rush of blood to the head.

Powell—What was the rush, and did it find anything when it got there?

**ONLY WHEN HE TALKED**



Teacher of Grammar—Your English is bad. Are you making such mistakes all the time?

Pupil—I—I guess I make 'em only when I talk.

**Curiosity.**

"Miss Peach," a western paper says, "will winter in St. Paul."

Now if she springs in Idaho We wonder where she'll fall.

**At Hour Rates.**

Judge (sternly)—Officer, if you know this man was speeding why did you follow him for a full hour before making the arrest?

Officer (confused)—Er—your honor, I—er—wanted to give him a run for his money!

**Use Discretion.**

"I wish to get a divorce from my husband."

"What is the trouble?" asked the lawyer.

"Life with him has too many ups and downs. One day he abuses me, the next he showers me with diamonds."

"Um! How long has this been going on?"

"Four years. Have I grounds for divorce?"

"Of course. But don't come into court loaded with jewels."