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### SCOTT FORCES DEFEATED.

Former Judge Dale and His Backers Accused of Eleventh Hour Tactics, But Lose.—The Republican Situation As Viewed by Mr. Dorworth, a Fisher Cabinet Member.

The view of the result of the recent primary election as taken by Hon. Charles E. Dorworth, a member of Governor Fisher's cabinet, will be interesting reading for Democrats in Pennsylvania. The head of the Department of Forests and Waters in his newspaper, the Bellefonte Republican, has this to say:

Tuesday's primary election in Centre county was featured by an interesting contest for District Attorney in which John G. Love, present incumbent, defeated former Judge Arthur C. Dale, Pinchot leader in the county, by 613 majority. The contest revealed a well-planned under-cover program of the Senator Scott forces to put Dale over, by assuming appearance of neutrality. When the polls were opened, however, the Scott forces put up a hard fight for Dale, but met with defeat. Phillipsburg, Rush township, and other Scott strongholds were lined up and delivered Dale majority. In State College, where the Scott forces had repeatedly denied having any interest in the contest, the friends of Love narrowly escaped being caught off their guard. Love, however, won State College by 45 majority.

Love's victory was a personal one and was made possible by loyal support accorded him by many friends throughout the county.

The Scott forces were defeated in several sections of the county where hard-fought local fights were waged. In State College Eugene H. Lederer was nominated for burgess over Burgess Rothrock by 72 majority. In a large field of candidates for Tax Collector J. Fred Harvey was the winner, having 182 votes, with P. B. Meek second high with 158. A. J. Zimmerman, among the most active of the Scott men, and upon whom the Scott forces tried to concentrate, was third high, with 154 votes. Shortly after the polls opened one of the Scott leaders offered to deliver 10 Dale votes for Love in return for a like number of Lederer votes for Rothrock, but the offer was rejected. Burgess Rothrock was not a party to the proposed deal that would have involved double-crossing by both sides.

In Snow Shoe township the Scott forces were defeated after a terrific fight all along the line. John Kachik, well known hotel-keeper at Clarence, and the recognized Scott leader, led the fight for Dale, with David Chambers leading the Love forces. Love carried East Snow Shoe township by 34 majority. Andy Kosko, who was bitterly opposed by Kachik, won a decisive victory and captured both Republican and Democratic nominations for Tax Collector. Kachik was himself defeated for nomination for School Director in a three-cornered fight. The Scott forces had confidently figured on a clean sweep over the Chambers group.

In Milesburg borough, the active Dale supporters included Deputy Revenue Inspector Toner Hugz and Miss Besse Miles, chairman of the Women's Republican County Committee. Milesburg returned 46 for Dale and 38 for Love. Miss Miles had previously visited a number of Republican women in the county and urged that they support Dale.

Howard Holtzworth, of Unionville, who was defeated for County Treasurer, and then was appointed a member of the Board of Road Viewers by Judge Fleming, canvassed various sections of the county for Dale. Holtzworth actively supported Dale to the finish in Unionville borough. That district gave Dale 40 and Love 29. Postmaster William Sichel at Snow Shoe was another Dale supporter, as was also Republican Committeeman Kennelly at Spring Mills. It is said that when friends of Kennelly asked him why he was supporting Dale he replied he was for anybody that Fleming wanted him to be for.

In Phillipsburg John Beals was renominated for Burgess over 1275. Republican and Democratic tickets. He won the Republican nomination by 81 majority and the Democratic by 87 majority. Although the Scott organization opposed Beals, quite a number of Scott supporters voted for Beals. The Scott organization was unable to present a solid line-up against Councilman James Hugz in the third ward there and he won out with about 50 majority. In the second ward Nate Lameroux captured both Republican and Democratic nominations for Constable. He had 36 Republican majority and 27 Democratic. He is not classed as affiliated with the Scott organization.

Bellefonte stood loyally by District Attorney Love, giving him 282 majority in the borough. He carried the north ward by 146, the south by 136, and split exactly even with Dale in the west ward.

In a spirited three-cornered fight for Republican nomination for Tax Collector Orlan Kline won out in Bellefonte by 66 plurality over Sarah Love, and 239 plurality over Edward Klingner. Miss Love carried the north ward by 17 over Kline and the west by 27, but Kline had a lead of 118 over her in his home ward, the south, which gave him the nomination.

Typical of the under-cover fight that was waged against District Attorney Love was an eleventh-hour drive against Burgess Hadman P. Harris, who, however, easily was renominated on both Republican and Democratic tickets in Bellefonte. Stickers which

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### YOUNG MAN MEETS DEATH ON NEW STATE ROAD

Workman Employed on Construction Job Near Keating Pinned Overturned Car Saturday Night—Victim Resided at Mingoville.

Earl Yarnell, 25, of Mingoville, near Bellefonte, was instantly killed Saturday night on the State highway between Cook's Run and Keating, when the steering gear of his car broke, causing it to overturn, pinning him beneath it.

Mr. Yarnell and a companion, Ambrose Dobson, of Mingoville, both being employed by the State Highway Department, in the construction of the road near Keating, were returning from Westport, where the construction camp was to be moved today, having been there looking for camp sites, when the accident occurred.

Dobson was not seriously injured, although suffering body bruises and a broken nose.

Norman McClain, also of Mingoville, who was driving the car immediately behind the Yarnell car, helped remove the men and took them to the Renovo hospital.

Yarnell is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Yarnell, of Mingoville, and the following brothers and sisters: Frederick, of Chester; Roy, of Bellefonte; George, of Blanchard; Boyd, of Lock Haven; Norman, of Detroit, and Philip, at home, and Mrs. Charles Gates, of Mingoville.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and interment made in the Zion cemetery.

### WILD PIGEON NETTING IN THE OLDEN DAYS

In a recent issue of the Altoona Tribune, Col. Shoemaker writes the following under the above caption:

John Minnick, old-time Nimrod of Salona, Clinton county, who was born in Pennsylvania, Centre county, loves to tell of the days when, to use his own language, the wild pigeons "flew in such vast clouds that they darkened the sun."

Mr. Minnick's father used to net the wild pigeons by the hundreds. Two men would spring the net, which would soon be a straggling mass of captured birds. Then would begin the work of twisting the necks of the victims, until all became quiet where lately there had been so much winged activity. Then the net would be rolled back, and frequently many pigeons, and the necks of which had not been properly twisted, would rise into the air alive and free, to the utter amazement of the younger members of the Minnick family.

"The male wild pigeons," said Mr. Minnick, "were the most beautiful birds I have ever seen. Their backs were a deeper and brighter blue than any of the Homing breeds of domestic pigeons. But their great beauty was their breasts, which shone like red gold, a thousand times brighter than any robin's breast. The wild pigeons were larger than the largest tame pigeons, and were more timely and neatly formed."

Many, maintain, like W. B. Mershon, the great Michigan ornithologist, that the wild pigeons are wholly extinct, but others feel that when conditions are ripe this noblest specimen of the feathered world will return in great numbers to Central Pennsylvania.

### John Rejects Woman Candidate.

John F. Hackenburg, who twice held the office of sheriff in Union county and twice was defeated for the office, won the Republican nomination for sheriff by a margin of 130 votes from Mrs. Emily Brock, of Lewisburg, who was appointed to the office by Governor Fisher.

Hackenburg will be opposed by Lester Crabb, Democrat.

John T. Silverwood and Robert J. Smith won the two places on the Republican ticket for Associate Judge, and D. R. Pursley, incumbent, the Democratic nomination. Henry J. Yocum, Republican incumbent, was defeated.

### Notice of Store Closing.

Nirman's Department Store, Millheim, will be closed from Friday, September 27, until Monday morning, October 7th, on account of Jewish holidays. adv

W. F. Eckbert, former Millfin county commissioner and later postmaster in Lewisburg, was appointed United States Commissioner for this part of the Middle District of Pennsylvania. The appointment was made by U. S. Judge Albert Johnson, of Lewisburg. The former commissioner was the late L. J. Durbin, Esq., of Lewisburg.

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had been distributed over the weekend, were used for Harold Cowher in all three wards and for both the party nominations. Burgess Harris refused to make even an appearance of a fight for renomination, but received that on the Republican ticket by 256 majority, and the Democratic nomination by 85 majority. He carried the north ward by 191, the south by 30, the west by 35 for the Republican nomination. On the Democratic ticket Burgess Harris had 63 majority in the north ward, 22 in the west ward, and split even, 55 to 55, in the south ward.

Democrats ought to be able to see something looming up at the November election worth the while. The Scott-Fleming wing of the Republican party will not likely fall over themselves to vote for Love, an enemy.

### GREGG TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY DAY

Community Day to be held at the Gregg Township Vocational School on Friday, October 11, will be the twelfth annual community day held in that community under the direction of the Vocational School. It is one of the oldest community days held in the State under the direction of any vocational school. The day is truly a Community Day designed primarily as an educational institution to raise the standard of school work; to encourage the production of better agriculture and Home products, and to achieve a better rural life. We all desire to promote a wholesome and progressive "community spirit" and to encourage real co-operation.

Various individuals and business organizations in and around Spring Mills have endorsed the program for this year by generously donating prizes for various contests to be held that day. At least five valuable prizes have been given for each of the poultry judging contests. Money prizes will be given for the first time this year in each class of projects conducted by the vocational boys in the school. Cash will also be given to winners in the display of vegetables, fruits, grain, flowers, all classes of sewing, canning and baking.

Cash prizes will also be given to every school in Gregg township that has a creditable exhibit. In the past three prizes had been given to these schools while this year nine prizes are offered.

Some events planned for the day are soccer and Jockey ball games with the Bellefonte Vocational School, Men's and Women's Poultry Judging contests, Chicken Supper, Health Play and Movies Games and Races, Music, Plays and Speeches.

### G. T. V. S. Soccer Season Opens Friday

The opening game of the soccer season for the G. T. V. S. team will be played on the athletic field at Spring Mills this Friday afternoon at 3:30 P. M. The team is a member of the Centre County Interscholastic Soccer League which is made up of eight high schools in Centre county. The winner of the league will be awarded a large silver loving cup at the end of the season. Each team in the league plays two games with every other team, thus giving each school a fourteen game schedule.

The Athletic association of the school has for sale season tickets for 50 cents which will admit the owner of the ticket to all home games—seven in number. These tickets may be purchased at the field Friday at the opening game, or may be secured through students. Ten cents admission will be charged for each single game. In the past no income has been derived from soccer which made it very difficult to maintain for the school and soccer team.

The Holyberg High school team will be the opponents of the Gregg township boys for the opening game Friday.

### Rockey Farm Sold.

The farm owned for many years by William A. Rockey, and sold by him about two years ago to Samuel Fleming, was sold at public sale on Saturday to Adam F. Smith, who is tenant on the Boal farm, known as the D. J. Meyer farm, near Linden Hall. The sum at which it was knocked down by the auctioneer was \$6670. The place contains about 75 acres. The farm is now tenanted by Harold A. Samsel.

### Centre County Lad at 4H Club Camp at Spring Mills, Mass.

Centre county was represented at the 4H Club Camp at Spring Mills, Mass., last week by Richard Markle, of the State College community. This camp is known as Camp Vall and held as a part of the Eastern States Exposition, Pennsylvania was represented by three girls and three boys who have done outstanding 4H club work in the State.

Richard was selected by the State boys' and girls' club office as one of the representatives. His appointment was due to his outstanding work as a member of the State College Holstein Calf Club. The Pennsylvania boys in company with Allen Baker, State club leader, State College, left home Friday, September 13th, via Philadelphia and New York. A day will be spent at both cities looking over points of interest. All of last week was spent in camp at the exposition where the Pennsylvania boys put on a milk testing demonstration. The camp is made up of representatives from all over the eastern States and all expenses are paid by the exposition.

Camp Vall is one of the three big national 4H club camps held in the United States every year, and to be selected for this trip is quite an honor to any 4H club member. Their trip is educational and the representatives have an opportunity to meet outstanding 4H club members representing all of the eastern part of the United States.

### Son Tries for Pa's Place.

Charles Printz, deputy sheriff and son of the incumbent, will head the Republican ticket for Sheriff following his nomination with a slight lead over Joseph Young, in Millfin county. The Democrats nominated Wilson O. White, who won from two other candidates easily.

In Lewisburg O. O. Orner was nominated for Mayor by the Democrats 2 to 1 over two other candidates. On the Republican side George B. Kelm won.

### COURT NEWS.

(Reported by S. D. Gettitz, Esq.)

In the case of Craft vs. Biddle, Sete Facias Sur Mechanic Lien, the jury rendered a verdict on Wednesday in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendant for \$343.45, with interest from May 27, 1928.

Marcella Beals vs. the County of Centre. This case came to trial on Wednesday and is an action in trespass for the taking of some of her lands in Huston township at the time of the building of the Bald Eagle road. The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff and against the defendant for \$661.10.

William Flack, by Jerry Flack his father and next friend, vs. L. A. Hill, trading and doing business as Hill's Auto Station. This is an action in trespass and is brought by the plaintiff to recover for moneys paid by the plaintiff to the defendant for an automobile purchased which the plaintiff alleged was not what it was represented or guaranteed to be. Verdict in favor of plaintiff for \$323.50.

John H. Detwiler vs. Musser E. Colpron. This is an action in ejectment for a portion of a plot of ground on top of Nittany Mountain which was claimed by both the plaintiff and the defendant, the defendant claiming through his purchase of the Stahl tract of land and the plaintiff claiming through his purchase of an adjoining tract of land. The case was on trial Friday and Saturday and verdict was rendered on Saturday evening in favor of the plaintiff for the lands in dispute.

H. S. Shillingford vs. Banner Coal Mining Company, a corporation, being an action in assumpsit and was settled by a verdict to be taken for the amount agreed upon of \$695.25.

The following cases were continued as not being reached:

C. N. Fisher vs. T. L. Peters, an action in assumpsit.

Federal Land Bank of Baltimore, Maryland, a corporation, vs. the Estate of Moyle E. Confer, etc.

Court adjourned on Saturday evening at about eight o'clock.

### State Advances to THE TOP OF NITTANY.

Considerable interest was manifested on the part of citizens here as to the outcome of the Detwiler vs. Colpron case, involving claims of ownership for the very top of Nittany Mountain, and the hearing of the case on Friday and Saturday by a larger number of persons from about here than at any time during the two weeks' session.

The dispute arose over overlapping lines, which the jury in coming to its conclusion evidently believed was due to an error in the deed given to Mr. Stahl by Dr. H. F. Ritner, M. E. Colpron, the defendant in the case, purchased the Stahl tract after J. H. Detwiler had purchased the adjoining lands to the Stahl tract from Dr. Ritner.

The jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, which places the line on the south side of the mountain top westward from the concrete road close to the north side of the "Koffee Shoppe."

It appears Mr. Colpron will be permitted to remove the building, due to its temporary construction, located on the ground that was in dispute.

### Auto Striker's Child.

Seven-year-old Violet Warner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Warner, of Lumber City, is in the Lewisburg Hospital suffering with the fracture of both her legs below the knees and a broken collar bone as the result of being struck by the car driven by S. D. Brown of Mt. Pleasant, Milroy, in Reedsville, Saturday evening.

Mr. Brown was driving alone and he made an effort to stop his car immediately. The wet condition of the road resulted in the car dragging her for more than 35 feet, witnesses said.

### Auto Dealers Elect Officers.

At a meeting of the Centre County Automobile Dealers' Association held at the Brookhoff Hotel, Bellefonte, the following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: Harry A. Rosman, of Bellefonte, president; Russell Stine, of State College, vice president; Paul Houser, of Lemont, secretary and treasurer, and Willis Wion, of Bellefonte, Walter Hosterman and W. E. Clark, of State College, directors.

The following committees were named: Membership and Grievance Committee: Russell Stine and W. E. Clark, both of State College, and James Patterson, of Centre Hall; Program Committee: J. C. Houck, Charles Bentley, and Willis Wion, all of Bellefonte; Finance Committee: Paul Houser, of Lemont; Bruce Hagan, Bellefonte, and W. A. Homan, Centre Hall; Show Committee: R. S. Hagan, of Centre Hall; Walter Hosterman, of State College, and Reeder Jodon, of Bellefonte.

The Sheffield Farms Company, within the recent past, repainted the woodwork on the exterior of their Spring Mills plant, and beginning of this week gave the large stacks similar treatment. The latter work was done by a man following that class of work sent here from Cortland, N. Y.

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### CONFESSION IS MADE BY BANK BANDITS

William Delaney, of Schenley, Injured When Car In Which They Were Escaping Crashed Into Culvert, Dies in Centre County Hospital.—Raymond Shope, of Schenley, and H. M. Kline, of Clearfield, Arrested by Police—Fourth, Still at Large, Is Son of Kline.

The remaining bit of mystery in the number and identity of the bandits who on Thursday held up and robbed the Beech Creek National Bank near Lock Haven, was cleared up by the confession of the two men arrested by State police near Snow Shoe late the same night.

Raymond Shope, of Schenley, Armstrong county, and H. M. Kline, of Clearfield, were arrested about two days ago. A merchant of Beech Creek, driving along the highway, was stopped by the bandits. They took all the money he had, \$17, and after asking questions about the bank, tied him to a tree and left in his Packard automobile.

Soon afterward two men entered the bank, held up the cashier and scooped up all the cash they could find, about \$12,000 and then started their getaway. The alarm spread fast and Dr. George F. Tibbels, a brother of the president of the Beech Creek bank, in a bank at Howard, some distance away, saw the bandit car passing. He gave chase with another man in his car and in some manner got ahead of the bandits.

At Runville Dr. Tibbels' companion, Frank Williams, saw the car approaching and turned his motor across the road, blocking the path of the other. To avert striking the pursuers' car, the highway turned there to the side of the culvert, and in doing so, it struck the culvert. Tibbels fired several times with a revolver, but two of the men ran into the woods.

The injured man was taken to the hospital where almost all of the loot was found on him, leading to the belief that he was the leader. State police joined by highway patrolmen and local authorities formed a cordon around the section of the mountains where the fleeing robbers were last seen. Shortly before 8 o'clock the police discovered the two men hiding in a freight train at Snow Shoe Junction, near Bellefonte.

Served Term for Robbery.

Delaney was recently released from the Western Penitentiary after serving a term for robbery. Shope, who formerly lived in Phillipsburg, and Kline, figured in the Kartaus bank robbery six years ago.

The two men said that Kline's son did not participate in the hold-up and robbery of the Beech Creek bank. His part in the plot, they said, was to drive the bandits' own car to a site in the Allegheny mountains at or near Rattlesnake. There he was to wait for the other members of the gang who were riding in a car stolen from Milton Sykes, the Beech Creek merchant, prior to the bank robbery. If the three members of the gang did not appear by the appointed time, young Kline was to drive on to Schenley.

The State police recovered \$275 from Kline and Shope and the sum added to the \$11,725 recovered from Delaney accounted for all of the \$12,000 loot.

Made Plans Week Ago.

Shope and Kline, who are brothers-in-law, said they had been about Bellefonte and Beech Creek for a week or more and they planned to rob either the Beech Creek bank or the First National Bank of Bellefonte. They finally decided on the Beech Creek bank as the safer of the two projects. The day previous to the robbery the men drove to Beech Creek and entered the bank on the pretext of getting change to get a chance to look over the situation. The stealing of the Sykes car was part of their plan. They said to cover up their tracks, and add in their getaway.

The holdup of Sykes and the stealing of his car, robbery of the bank, wrecking of the car in which three bandits were riding, the subsequent fatal injury of one, and capture of the other two all took place within a period of eight hours. In this time, too, all of the loot had been recovered. However, Sykes' damaged car still remained a loss to be chalked up against the bandits.

Shope after being questioned by the State police was taken to the Bellefonte hospital, where it was revealed that he was suffering from several broken ribs and internal injuries, said to have been received in the crash of the bandit car which resulted in Delaney's death.

Kline was removed from the jail at Bellefonte to the Clinton county prison at Lock Haven later in the day.

The only missing element in this sensational tale is the \$70 taken from

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### TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

#### HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Mrs. S. M. Bron, of Millheim, underwent a successful operation for the removal of a goiter at the Clearfield hospital, on Wednesday of last week.

The second set of twins, a boy and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Orville E. Corman, of near Millheim. The babies are reported to be doing fine.

It is estimated that the apple orchards on the Penn State experimental farms will yield 6000 bushels this year as compared with 15,000 to 18,000 in former years.

Dayton Lansberry, tenant on the Boyd Spicker farm, west of Old Fort, has several acres of potatoes that promise to make a fine yield, judging from individual tubers dug from several hills and displayed by the landlord.

A frost on Wednesday night of last week "cooked" vegetation and corn in some localities, while in other sections no harm was done to any plants. The appearance of a real frost will however hurt on the farmer's program of husky and corn cutting.

The Senior Service class members in the Lutheran Sunday school held the last of the summer out-door monthly meetings, on Thursday afternoon, on Nittany Mountain top. After the meeting a picnic supper was served to about thirty members and friends.

Frank Confer, who left the Millheim section about eighteen years ago, now of Los Angeles, Calif., was an arrival in the lower valley recently. Mr. Confer is engaged in the oil business in the west. He is the son-in-law of John A. Hosterman, of Scotland, S. D., who was in this section during the summer.

Mrs. Carrie Tibbels Hackert, of Millheim, was a caller on Thursday. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Moore, who with her husband are guests at the Hackert home. The Moores live in Pittsburgh, but Mr. Moore is engaged with the Philadelphia Company, whose headquarters are in the City of Brotherly Love.

While Harry McClean was attending court last week, Frank White acted substitute on his milk route for the Sheffield plant here. The route extends to above Pine Grove Mills, the daily trip covering a distance of 61 1/2 miles. The route is one of the important ones leading to the plant named.

Thieves broke the lock and entered the Fount Inn, on the main highway in the Seven Mountains, south of Pottery Mills, on Friday night, and helped themselves to whatever refreshments they cared for. Rufus D. Decker, of Millroy, is the proprietor of the place, and has several clues which may lead to an early arrest of the guilty ones.

On October 19th, an open competitive examination will be held under the U. S. Civil Service Commission for the position of post office clerk in the post office, Centre Hall. Applicants banks may be obtained at the post office from Tillie P. Keller, local secretary. Applications must be on file with the Civil Service District Secretary not later than October 4th.

Rev. Russel F. Auman, pastor of the Lutheran church at Yeagerstown for several years, was recently installed pastor of the newly organized Lutheran church of the Redeemer, at Scarsdale, N. Y. An announcement was made that Dr. and Mrs. Frank A. Schmidt, members of the congregation, had given a gift of \$20,000 for a church building site. Rev. Auman is a native of Rebersburg.

Misses Myra Spiker and Edith Flory, students at Williamsport Business College, came home on Friday and remained until Sunday with their parents. It is their first return home since the opening of the fall term of the business college. Wilbur McClellan, a student at Beckley Business College, Harrisburg, liked home on Friday. He was wearing the "green," the mark of a freshman.

Work on the State highway west of Hairy Joins in the Penna Valley narrows is progressing nicely. A considerable portion of the road next to the park has already been gone over with the steam shovel, while work at the quarries, on the creek road west of Woodward, is also being pushed by manager C. A. Spiker, so there will be no delay in putting on the ballast after the grading has been completed.

Prof. H. C. Rothrock, assistant superintendent of schools of Centre county, was in Centre Hall last Thursday on a bit of school business. It appears that a resident of Gregg township is circumventing the vaccination law by having his children placed in the hands of a private tutor instead of having them attend the public schools. The teacher is a resident of Potter township and Mr. Rothrock was here to ascertain whether or not she was duly certified.

Centre Hall has a new shoe-maker. He is Walter Soliski, a native of Poland, where he learned the shoe-making trade in all its details. Four years ago he came to the States and has been employed at Lewisburg prior to coming here. He has leased the Tressler shop at the upper end of town and is now at work. He appears to be a gentleman in the best sense of the word, and he solicits your trade—both repairing shoes and making shoes to your particular measure.