

Odd and Curious News

A Girl's Right

If a girl is lucky enough to get an engagement ring on her finger, Judge Thomas Green ruled it's hers for keeps whether she marries the contributor or not.

Had Losing Habit

Miss Anna Geiman lost a diamond ring several days ago in a restaurant, at Philadelphia. She couldn't find it and asked a friend's help.

Teeth Returned

The New Bedford fishing dragger Venture II docked as the fish pier at Boston last week and Captain Fred Surtette vouched for this story: Sunday, while dragging for groundfish 50 miles off Cape Cod, Seaman William Mayo, 50, sneezed and lost his \$30 set of false teeth overboard.

Dies in Bride's Arms

Nineteen-year-old Evelyn Schoenfeld bore the grief of a widow, completely upset by the death of Harold Landy in her arms as a Rabbi was intoning words that would have made them man and wife at New York, Saturday.

He Was Drunk

Policeman George Lend found a man sleeping outside his station in Chicago. "Who are you?" Lend asked. "I'm drunk," was the reply.

Battles Professor

Once a year for the past ten years, the student marble champion at Battle Ground Academy, Tennessee, plays a game of marbles with Prof. Geo. I. Briggs, headmaster, with the stake a holiday for all the boys.

Parted 50 Years; Wed

Parted by a misunderstanding fifty years ago, William W. Hutcheson, 76, and Mrs. Price Gosnell, 75, both of St. Louis, Illinois, met last March for the first time in 47 years.

Kept Her Tags

Mrs. John Yaw, of near Towanda, wonders whether she does not hold a record as to her collection of dog license tags. She has in her possession tags for 13 consecutive years, from 1917 to 1934, inclusive.

Makes Boy Hold Fire

London Police were required to guard the home of Stanley Parrack, 37-year-old Royal Air Force aircraftman, who was fined in magistrate's court for forcing his 7-year-old son to hold hot coals in his hands as a punishment.

Unlucky Boy

Richard Bastaglia, 20 months old, of Los Angeles, had already paid five visits to a hospital. First he swallowed a marble, then in 47 years, paste, followed it by eating his mother's cold cream, falling off a fence on his head, and cutting his hand badly on a glass he broke.

Dog Travels Far

Footsore, lean and weary, Snowball, a spitz dog which had strayed away while its master visited in Odessa, crawled into the yard of its home at Houston, Texas. The dog's footpads were worn pink by the 600-mile journey from Odessa to Houston.

Falls 800 Feet; Lives

While climbing with companions up the 9,740-foot peak of Mount Stuart, Wash., Curtis Gilbert, Yakima business man, lost his footing and fell 800 feet down the mountain side. He survived the fall but was seriously hurt.

Catches Shark; Dies

Declaring, "I've got a big one," Guy Anderson, 45, of San Diego, Calif., began reeling in his fishing line. Before he could gaff his catch, however, he fell dead of a heart attack. Companions brought in a 150-pound shark.

Some women judge men by the scope and sincerity of their flattery.

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WHITE RIBBON BAND WILL CONVENE IN BELLEFONTE

Women's Christian Temperance Union To Hold Three Sessions Here Next Week in Evangelical Church

The fifty-third annual convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union will be held in the Evangelical church, Bellefonte, on Thursday, June 30th.

The following programs have been arranged:

MORNING SESSION, 9:30 Song Leader, Mrs. Lewis Allis Pianist, Edith Jones. 9:30 Song Service Devotions, Rev. J. B. Mays Convention Song Our Pledge 10:00 Address of Welcome, Mr. Musser Gettig, Dist. Atty.

Regional Conference Testimonials (One minute each) "Membership Bridges" Mrs. Ethel Richards "Peace Bridges" Mrs. Elizabeth Beach 11:45 Memorial Service Mrs. David Neilson 12:00 Noon Prayer Miss Ida Williams Announcements. Please bring box luncheon, coffee will be served. 1:15 Meeting of Official Board 2:00 Song Service Prayer, Rev. G. E. Householder Special Music, Junior Choir Directed by Miss Lovena Mays T. L. B. Consecration Service Mrs. J. B. Mays 2:30 Greetings, Business and Prof. Mrs. Edith Jones Silver Medal Contest, Directed by Mrs. M. M. Cooper Special Music, Junior Choir Address, Mrs. Alvin Sherburne (Continued on Page 6)

Waiting for the Summer Rush



Mystery of Finding Man Murdered in Lycoming County Remains Unsolved

Mystery surrounds the slaying of husky 20-year-old Lewis A. Nelson, of Plains, Ill., whose body was found in a mountain thicket along the Montgomery Pike in Lycoming county late Saturday afternoon.

Friday night between 10 and 11 o'clock, "loud voices" were heard by a woman nearby and later a shot that sounded like a gun, although she said it may have been the backfire of a car.

Shortly after 12 o'clock, midnight, the same woman reported she heard the racing motor of a car and the grinding of a starter several times.

Mr. Curtis Bok of Philadelphia told more than 200 women attending the sixth annual school of family relations Thursday night at State College there was something lacking in America's system.

"A great many lawyers have been trained only to become errand boys of big business," said the wife of the Philadelphia county orphans' court judge.

Says 'Many Lawyers Trained Only To Be Errand Boys For Big Business'

"We have a state in which the very rich and the very poor get excellent medical attention while the great mass in the middle are not receiving care they need and that doctors themselves would like to give them."

"Doctors are faced with playing an unchartered field; keeping up medical standards, giving themselves satisfactory income and working out a way the man with average income can pay for adequate medical service."

"What have we taught so far in citizenship," the speaker asked. "We teach a good deal of political theory, but many do not even bother to vote."

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Urge Changes in Game Seasons

Antlered bucks would be protected and an extra half week of small game hunting permitted next winter under recommendations of the Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen's Club presented to the State Game Commission for consideration at its July 13-14 meeting.

Hunting seasons and bag limits for 1938 will be fixed during the sessions, Commission Secretary Seth Gordon said, with the federation proposals as a model.

The federation executive board, proposed protection of antlered bucks and an open season on all other deer from Nov. 28 to Dec. 3, inclusive, with each individual hunter allowed one kill. Hunting parties of six or more individuals would be allowed to kill six does or antlerless bucks during the season.

Some people are too dumb to follow the dates on a calendar.

OLD-AGE PENSION AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE WORK EXPLAINED

Statement by Arthur W. Howe, Jr., Contains Information Regarding Responsibility of Relatives Toward Dependents

Since the initiation of Old-Age Assistance in Pennsylvania in 1934 the maximum amount which could be allowed has been \$30 per month per person.

This maximum is in force today. It has not been changed and no change is contemplated.

The only point which has been under consideration by the State Board of Assistance and Social Security officials in Washington has concerned the method of budgeting grants to aged persons.

Additional funds from Washington were hoped for under a plan of family rather than individual budgeting submitted to the Social Security Board. This plan would have permitted Federal participation in more cases of aged persons with a consequent saving to the State.

Since Federal authorities found themselves unable to approve the plan under the Social Security Act, the standard of grants in all cases, and the method of calculating individual needs, will remain as at present.

The following is the budget schedule, breaking down the \$23 monthly maximum per person. Under the law all grants must be made solely on the basis of need and deductions from the grant will be made for all or part of any item which the aged person or his responsible relatives can supply.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Monthly Maximum. Items include Food (\$9.00), Clothing (\$2.00), Shelter, fuel & light (\$5.00), Incidentals (\$3.00), Total (\$30.00).

As in the past, eligible aged persons may receive the full amount for all items if they need them and lack financially able relatives or personal resources.

Aid to Dependent Children Aid to dependent children has up to now been limited to children (Continued on page six)

Lock Haven Man Held Up, Robbed

Lone Bandit With Revolver Makes Getaway With Victim's Cash

The first hold-up in Lock Haven for several years occurred Monday morning about 7 o'clock, when Claude S. Miller, grocer, of South Fairview street, was robbed of \$15 just after he had opened his store.

Mr. Miller had just unlocked his store when the man entered with a leveled gun and a handkerchief covering the lower part of his face.

Mr. Miller explained that he had just opened and made no sales and there was no money.

He was described as being about five feet, seven inches tall, wearing dark clothes and a dark slouch hat.

The missing \$15 belonged to the benevolent fund of the church, for which Mr. Miller is treasurer.

Thousands Visit At Phoebe Home

Members of Reformed Congregation Note Need of Further Expansion

With the elimination of fixed admission fees for guests, the planning to place the Home in line with up-to-date hospitals, in the near future due to the rapid change in social conditions, and the increased number of invalids, pleading for admission, the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Home, Dr. David A. Miller, President of the Board, welcomed thousands of eager visitors to the 33rd Annual Visitation and Donation Day services held in Allentown, last Thursday.

Treasurer, Frank M. Cressman reported improvements made costing \$59,851.63, total receipts since new year of \$19,883.56, a bequest from the estate of Eli Funk of Parkside of \$15,000 and that the endowment fund is now \$179,500.52.

It appears to be the will of the benefactors that provisions be made to take care of the Church's help (Continued on page six)

By POP MOMAND



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

With all this talk of "Americanism" going on in this Department wants to go on record as being in favor of it. We're for it 100 per cent—but what is it? Frank Hague, boss-Mayor of Jersey City, says it's one thing; W. R. Hearst would say it's another; World War veterans have a different definition of the term. Capital has its definition, and Labor has its conception—and not by the greatest stretch of the imagination do any of them agree. For this reason, when we hear someone braying about his "Americanism," we're a bit skeptical, for it's a safe bet his idea of the term is to fit his own personal aims and ambitions.

The late Justice of the Peace John M. Keichline, of Bellefonte, fully realized that his handwriting was not what it might have been, and told this story on himself. He had written to a resident of Nittany Valley about a horse matter, and several days later the man came into the "Squire's" office, threw the letter on the official's desk, and complained that he couldn't read it. "Darned if I could read the thing myself," Squire Keichline told friends later.

Dr. Nevyn Jodon, Bellefonte dentist, rang the gong on himself the other night. He drove his car, with trailer attached, to the Harry Menold residence on West Curtin Street and upon leaving the Menold residence, drove home. Arriving there he found the trailer missing. The big conveyance was found a short time later parked against a tree near the Menold residence, it having drifted loose from its couplings and coasted against the tree.

Harry C. Menold, incidentally, is the possessor of a large collection of Indian artifacts which he keeps in a store room in the main building of the department of the Bellefonte High School, of which he is the head. He has not actively collected items for some years past, but there are scores of arrow heads, stone hammer heads, knives of various kinds and other stone objects in his cases. Some of the best material, he reports, have been stolen and mislaid. Sometime he expects to mount all the objects in glass cases of uniform size.

The "Ni U-Turn" sign near the Wiser service station, corner of Allegheny and Howard Streets, has slipped down its pole and is resting on the ground, much like the trousers of a youngster, whose suspenders have broken. At the intersection of Lamb and Water Streets the "Stop" sign is hidden by a high growth of grass.

President Roosevelt has at last attained a position few living persons reach. He was depicted as a character in a popular comic strip several days last week.

Bellefonte married man who parks with another man's wife on a road near town should be a little more discreet.

We've learned, within the past week, that cats sometimes are useful. A scientist, wishing to use a long piece of 6-inch pipe in an experiment, decided the best way to clear the interior of the pipe of cobwebs was to put a cat in one end of the pipe and close the end. The scheme worked, and when the cat came out the other end it brought the cobwebs with it. A plumber, trying to find a reported leak in the sewer system of a seven-story apartment house, spent a fruitless day trying to find the leak before he hit upon a plan. Purchasing a dime's worth of oil of catnip, he poured it in the sewer system at the top of the building. Then, carrying a cat, he walked through every room. Presently, in a room on the third floor, the cat became agitated, jumped out of his arms and began clawing the wall. The wall was opened—and there was the leak.

DOMESTIC SCENE.—This scrap of conversation between a man and his wife in the postoffice Saturday morning, was unwittingly overheard: Said the wife: "The very best I spending seven dollars and a half for a fishing rod and the season nearly over!"

G. O. P. POLITICAL NOTE.—Rumor has it that the Republican aspirants for the office of Register in Centre County next year will be Raymond N. Brooks, the present County Treasurer; Charles Musser, of Bellefonte, former Deputy to Sheriff Keeler, and James E. Decker, of Blanchard Street, well known Pennsylvania Railroad employee.

EXCURSION PICTURE.—Among the passengers on the excursion train from Philadelphia here Sunday were a short, stout fellow, who wore a pair of engineer's goggles. From the top of his goggles to the crown of his head was a thick coating of cinders and smoke dust, giving mute testimony that he had helped the engineer being the train safely through from Philadelphia.

The spirit and loyalty of the Bellefonte High School band is well worth more than passing mention. Because the excursion train was scheduled to leave at 1 p. m. Sunday after a half-hour's stay in Bellefonte, many band members did not have dinner before they turned out to welcome the visitors. Consequently there were many empty stomachs in (Continued on page six)