

Odd and Curious News

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Hauled His Hay
The hay had to be put up and Oliver Fairbrass, of Omaha, Neb., had no money to buy another horse.

Two Out!
Two South Phillipsburg brothers were the victims of a strange baseball accident which occurred Saturday afternoon at Huntingdon as the South Twilight League team played against the Reformatory squad.

Mary Bathed Hippo
Mary, a 10-year-old offspring, had a long and warm ride from Long Island, N. Y., to the Highland Park Zoo at Pittsburgh last week.

Gives Away \$500
Instead of giving a customer a bag containing the half dozen raisins he bought, John Cardello, clerk in a store at Providence, R. I., handed the unidentified customer a bag containing \$500.

Knocks Self Out
Here's where a burglar captured himself. Climbing into the home of Harry Pettit, at Camden, N. J., through a kitchen window, the burglar stepped on a table which upset and threw him to the floor.

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Two Griffins
Vince Griffin, of Philadelphia, got hit by a baseball going and coming a foul ball clipped Griffin on the thumb, dislocating the member, and continued on bouncing into a girder behind him.

LOWLY SKUNK'S POWER OF DEFENSE AROUSES STIR IN BEECH CREEK

Residents of That Community Have Long Been Pestered by Unwelcome Varmints—Breed and Thrive Under Churches

When something killed three ring-neck pheasants in the pen in the rear of the residence of Dr. P. McDowell Tibbins on the main street of Beech Creek, the other night, where he has been raising pheasants successfully for a number of years, he sent his son Perry after Deputy Game Warden "Bob" Farwell. Bob diagnosed the case as one due to skunks.

Following this decision, he brought in his traps and Tuesday evening caught a very large mother skunk at an outlet from under the adjoining woodhouse. Somebody's tame cat was also caught in one of the traps but not seriously hurt.

George Sibol, a 38-year-old Morrisdale miner, lost his right leg as a result of a mine accident last Wednesday morning in the Cunard Slope of the Morrisdale Coal Company. Sibol was operating a cutting machine which bucked and caught his leg, nearly severing it, between the knee and ankle.

Water Street Gas Station Robbed
Bandits Secure \$50 From Proprietor and Escape in Stolen Car
Two men were held in Syracuse, N. Y., Monday in connection with the holdup of a gas station at Water Street, Huntingdon county, early Saturday morning when a truck, used in making their getaway, was found near that city.

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"GRANGE DAY"
The first Granges' Picnic was "Grange Day" because it was a one-day affair. But when the three-day picnic and camp established in the '70s, one day was reserved for a special Grange program, and this idea has been carried on throughout the years.

Pre-Fair Days



CHILDREN'S DAY AT FAIR

Well over 5000 school children will be represented in exhibits headed by E. E. Sipe, County Superintendent of Schools, at the Mifflin County Fair, July 31 to August 3.

HARDSHIPS OF THE PIONEER

Logging Bees Were Strenuous Sport
The old-time logging bees and husking bees which flourished in the days of our great-grandparents, were great events in their time.

DEMOCRATIC PICNIC
The fifth annual Central Pennsylvania Democratic Picnic will be held at Black Moshannon State Park, Wednesday, August 30.

BANKS WARNED OF NEW RACKET BEING PRACTICED
Banks in this section have been warned of a new racket being operated by two men in other sections of the state.

"KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES" — A Poser for Dolan
AND YOU SAY BOWERS NEVER WORKS AND DOESN'T HAVE MUCH MONEY?

MUTILATED BODY OF MAN FOUND ALONG R R TRACKS NEAR TYRONE

Victim, Whose Residence Remains Undetermined, is Thought to Have Fallen From Freight Train During Night

The body of a man, tentatively identified as Wade H. Snyder, address unknown, was found along the track of the Bald Eagle Valley branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad company, seven miles east of Tyrone, near Vail Station, Monday morning at about 6 o'clock by a train crew.

GIRL PLUNGES DOWN TOWER STEPS AT OAK HEIGHTS
Plunging down the steep steps of an observation tower at Central Oak Heights camp, West Milton, Miss Mary I. Cocks, of Wellsboro, was injured Friday afternoon.

Another Call Killer Arrested
James Pursey, 37, of near Weikert, was lodged in the Union County jail, charged with the killing of a heifer in a field on the farm of his uncle, D. R. Pursey, the call was the property of Linn Wert.

PEANUT REMOVED FROM BOY'S LUNG
Sandy Ridge Lad's Life Saved By Timely Use of Bronchoscope
Little Thomas Renwick, Jr., of Sandy Ridge, had a miserable Fourth of July weekend. While other kiddies his age were out whooping it up, Tommy was bent over in pain.

FRACTURES SKULL IN FALL DOWN STEPS
Thought to have lost her balance while ascending the cellar steps at her home in Phillipsburg late Wednesday morning, Mrs. George Stott fell backwards down the flight and fractured her skull.

Baby Drowns in Shallow Pond
A 20-month-old baby toddled out the unlocked screen door of her home at Lewistown, Friday, and drowned in a shallow goldfish pond on the lawn.

Makes First Catch of Season
Violet Fox, 11, fishing with her father, Jacob L. Fox, of Mill Hill, caught a 16-inch pike, the first to be reported this season.

By POP MOMAND
DOESN'T WORK AND HAS NO INCOME, YET HE CAN STUFF HUNDRED-DOLLAR BILLS INTO CHAIRS!

HE DESERVED IT

When Charles Gates, of the Democratic Watchman, failed to put in an appearance at a regular meeting of Bellefonte Borough Council, Monday, July 3, it was the first time in 35 years that he'd missed a regular meeting of that body.

GRATITUDE

A month ago a local taproom proprietor began to notice that a certain Bellefonte man was frequenting his place regularly, buying quite liberally, and making himself generally agreeable.

TRIFLES

State Motor Police Officer G. L. Finkbeiner, who heretofore has been a member of the "Tie Quit Smoking Club," reports a gain in weight of about 20 pounds since he gave up the weed last December.

THEY'RE FUNNY THAT WAY

Sunday a tourist looking at Bellefonte's famous trout below the falls noticed one of the fish flipping on its side.

WHAT NEXT?

Dr. Richards H. Hoffman, who is probably Bellefonte's hobnobbing person, has built himself a boat.

NICE MUSIC

The only fault we could find with the concert given Friday night by the American Legion Band of Clearfield, as a feature of the Bellefonte High school fiesta on the school commons, was that it didn't last long enough.

POLITICAL GOSSIP

O. B. Mallin informs this department that he is not a candidate for school director of Bellefonte, contrary to rumors abroad on the streets.

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