

Odd and CURIOUS in the NEWS

Wrong Chew

A cafe at Durham, N. C., was crowded when a tall, bearded farmer demanded a 10-cent cut of chewing tobacco.

Nickles for Baby

Plinking down an eleven-pound bag of nickels, James Ott, of Reading, paid the hospital bill of his wife who two weeks before gave birth to a baby girl.

Surprises

Delightfully, W. D. Cannon, of Marion, Ky., while on a fishing trip telegraphed his wife, "Just landed a seven-pounder, a real beauty."

Need a Shave?

Hugo Munson, Minneapolis barber, has a collection of 500 razors. His collection includes razors that scraped the chins of Babe Ruth, Jack Dempsey, Victor Herbert, Will Rogers, Jimmy Braddock, Buffalo Bill, William Jennings Bryan and other notables.

Lucky Numbers

And for P. N. Abram's lucky number is 395. Alvin lives at Newberry, S. C. His telephone is 295, his post-office box is the same number and now the Highway Department has obliged by sending him automobile license number 295.

Col. Jones Chief of Staff.

Colonel Ben Jones, of Tyrone, former chief of staff of the 22nd cavalry division of the Pennsylvania National Guard until its dissolution last September, has been assigned as chief of staff of the 28th division by Major General Edward Martin, adjutant general, Major General Edward J. Stackpole, Jr., of Harrisburg, was assigned to the command of the 56th infantry brigade, Pennsylvania National Guard.

Young Hunter Killed

Edward Malone, 16, a high school student, died at Shamokin Hospital after being shot accidentally by a companion on a hunting trip. The youth died of a wound in the left side resulting from the discharge at close range of a gun held by Steve Rindosh, 17. Rindosh said the gun discharged unexpectedly while in his left arm as he attempted to remove an unfired shell.

Casts 72nd Straight Vote

For the 72nd year Thomas Hayes of Watsonport, voted the straight Republican ticket Tuesday, his being one of the first ballots cast in the Second Ward. Now 93 years old, he has not missed voting once since he was 21. To be sure that he would be able to get to the polls, he walked from his home Monday on a test trip. However, party workers saw to it that he had a ride to the polls on election day.

Hunter Shot in Legs

While hunting last week, Maurice E. Hanson, of Milton, was shot in the legs by a gun in the hands of his brother-in-law, Clarence T. Wallick. Mr. Hanson was standing behind some brush from which a pheasant emerged and was in the line of fire. Thirty-eight pellets of No. 6 shot entered his legs.

Finds Hog Dead, 2 Hurt

Charles Packer of Mill Hall, R. D., had the misfortune one morning recently when he got up to find three of his largest butchering hogs had broken out and got on the highway near his home. He found one dead, and the other two badly hurt.

BROADCASTING EXPENSIVE

Political broadcasting in the 1940 campaign cost Democrats and Republicans a little more than \$1,500,000 for network time alone, according to figures just revealed by NBC, CBS and MBS. This does not take into account amounts spent on local stations in various parts of the country, which, when compiled, may add a million or so more.

The Democrats were somewhat ahead in the networks' figures, their total being around \$811,800, divided NBC \$320,000, CBS \$319,300 and MBS \$172,500.

Merely a 'Correspondence' School

However one may regard the Electoral College, whose duty it is to certify to the number of votes cast for President, the College turns out to be a mere correspondence school. The only sessions will be held December 16 in the various State capitals. The 531 electors will then send their votes to Washington by registered mail.

HUNTER SAVES VALUABLE DOG

John L. Creamer, of Hollidaysburg, feels much indebted to his friend, Samuel Zeek, also of Hollidaysburg, who rescued his prized dog from drowning in the icy waters of a creek at Pennsylvania Furnace where they were hunting last Thursday.

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Free-For-All Fight Ends Foot Ball Game Between Altoona-Johnstown Teams

Thousands of Spectators Pour Onto Field As Johnstown Quits After Dispute Over Play - Referee Slightly Injured

Several thousand of the 15,000 fans who witnessed the football game between Altoona and Johnstown High schools at Altoona Stadium yesterday afternoon took a decision of the referee so seriously as to start a free-for-all battle that came near reaching the proportions of a riot.

The referee, Russell M. Buckwalter, of Latrobe, took Altoona policemen and several spectators were injured as the mob milled in the center of the field.

Violence flared a few seconds after the Altoona eleven had scored the winning touchdown and Coach Harold Weigle of Johnstown waved in players from the field in protest.

The decision which precipitated the fighting occurred about a minute to the end of game time.

A Johnstown punt rolled to the Altoona 34, and Brooks Kaufman, playing at the quarterback post for Altoona, scooped it up and raced to the Johnstown 27, where he was downed.

The Johnstown players and Coach Weigle protested the ball had rolled dead, but Referee Buckwalter ruled he had not blown his whistle and that Kaufman's play was legal.

Weigle, however, insisted that a whistle had been blown when the punt had been downed but Umpire W. E. Killinger declared instead he blew his horn when the Johnstown player touched the ball.

Tense from the opening kickoff the game was an orderly and cleanly played affair until the ire of the Johnstown fans and players was aroused by the decision of the referee. The field became a swarming mass of angry human beings.

Even as the police sought to hold the large crowd back, Referee Buckwalter was being pummeled from all sides and it was some time before (Continued on Page 5)

Ding Dong, Ding Dong



APPROVE HOSPITAL PROJECT

Presidential approval has been given a WPA project amounting to \$15,652 for improvements to be made at the Phillipsburg State Hospital. The sponsor is the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare.

The following work is to be done: excavating, backfilling, rip-rapping, placing base, surfacing, and landscaping; installing drains; performing carpentry and masonry work; painting and plastering; improving and installing electrical, heating and plumbing facilities; constructing parking spaces, and performing incidental and appurtenant work on publicly-owned property.

It's a trustful wife who gives her husband letters to be mailed.

\$4,000 Stock of Holiday Goods Destroyed in 4-Hour Blaze At Lock Haven

D. K. Shadle, Furniture Dealer, Heaviest Loser In Early Morning Fire Which Threatened Lock Haven's Business Center

Fire, which was discovered at an early hour Saturday morning, at the rear of East Main street, Lock Haven, kept three hose companies busy for four hours and caused a loss estimated at \$4,000. Property which fell prey to the flames were two barns, an automobile, a young couple's stored household goods and a big share of Santa Claus' holiday goods.

The heaviest loss was sustained in the burning of the storage barn owned by Mrs. Nora Shadle and situated at the rear of her property, 335 East Main street. The structure was being used by Mrs. Shadle's son, D. K. Shadle, furniture dealer, for the storage of his merchandise. Mr. Shadle said the fire destroyed \$4,000 worth of Christmas goods received only recently. An auto owned by Mr. Shadle and kept in the barn, was also ruined.

Bell telephone linemen—an even dozen of them—from Lock Haven, Williamsport and Bellefonte worked throughout the day restoring permanent service after temporary lines were put through to industries in the eastern section of the city. Virtually every telephone east of Canal Park was out of service Saturday morning, but all were repaired and restored to order by late afternoon.

The fire was discovered by Clarence A. Wiedhahn, who resides at 337 E. Main street, right at the scene of the fire. Mr. and Mrs. Wiedhahn were awakened by the crackling of the burning wood and by the great light of the flames. Mr. Wiedhahn immediately telephoned the fire department.

The damage included full loss of a barn owned by D. K. Shadle, estimated at \$500; loss of from \$3,000 to \$4,000 worth of a great variety of Mr. Shadle's holiday goods; loss of the household goods of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Lopez, estimated to be worth about \$500; a car of Mrs. Nora Shadle, estimated to be worth (Continued on page six)

Social Security Agent To Be Here

Representative of Board Will Be in Bellefonte on November 18

A representative of the Williamsport Field Office of the Social Security Board will hold regular scheduled office hours in the Employment Service Office, Spring and Pike streets, Bellefonte, on November 18, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 1 p. m.

Monthly benefits under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act are payable to the following persons: (a) Wage earners who have reached the age of 65 and wish to retire. (b) The wife of a qualified wage earner who is also 65.

(c) The widow and dependent children of a wage earner who has died. (d) Under certain circumstances, wholly dependent parents. (e) Under certain circumstances, lump sum benefits. Both monthly and lump sum benefits are based on the average (Continued on page six)

Election Twists Upset Program

Republicans' Legislative Plans Thwarted By Loss of House Members

Tuesday's election had some ironic twists, principally at the expense of Pennsylvania Republicans who lost the House of Representatives. Speaker Ellwood J. Turner, who had a legislative appropriation of \$100,000 passed when the Republicans held the house in 1939, to redecorate the speaker's office, expand committee rooms, bring the legislative reference bureau into the main Capitol, and to provide a new House caucus room, now must watch his work being turned over to the Democrats.

They will take over the large new caucus room, and the Republicans will be relegated to the old third-floor chamber, which they previously felt was too small. The speaker's office will pass to a new Democratic official, and the committee rooms will be taken over by Democratic leaders.

By the same token, the work of the Joint State Government Commission, which Turner fostered to make continuing studies of legislation during the periods between sessions, will be placed at the disposal of the Democrats. The commission is nominally bipartisan, but the Democratic minority members sat infrequently at meetings.

Most of the work was under the direction of the Republican legislative leaders of the House and Senate, and the majority party of 1939 and 1940 was counting on these studies as a basis for some of the major programs in 1941 sessions. Among the subjects which were to have been turned into legislation were taxes relief, unemployment compensation, utility and liquor regulation, and reorganization of many bureaus.

A non-partisan aspect of the Republicans' reconstruction program for the General Assembly that has (Continued on page six)

ANNIVERSARY OF INDIAN MASSACRE

In connection with the plans to observe the 160th anniversary of the massacre of the Corby family by Indians at Garrard's fort in Greene county, Col. Henry W. Shoemaker gives the following interesting history of the event in a recent issue of the Altoona Tribune:

Though the remains of the old cellar of the shack is also visible. The well which Rev. John Corby dug about 1745 still runs pure and cold after nearly 200 years. In the tiny pioneer graveyard at Garrard's, on Whitely's creek, three slabs have survived in the years. The one which generally first attracts attention reads:

IN MEMORY OF ELIZABETH CORBY CONSORT OF THE REV. JOHN CORBY WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE MAY 10th 1782 AGE UNKNOWN BENEATH THE INDIAN TOMMYHAWK ME AND MY BAW PELL WAS HURRIED SUDDENLY AWAY WITH JESUS FOR TO DWELL

Eventually recovering from the shock of blood and carnage, Rev. Corby married a second wife 28 years his junior who died 34 years later. On Corby's tombstone is the following:

THE REV. JOHN CORBY DIED JUNE 9th 1805, AGED 70 YEARS, 3 MONTHS and 21 DAYS. OH DEATH THOU HAST CONQUERED ME I BY THY DART AM BLAIN JESUS CHRIST WILL CONQUER THEE THEN I SHALL RISE AGAIN

A third wife blessed Rev. Corby's home, over whose grave is this inscription: IN MEMORY OF NANCY CORBY WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE AUGUST 1st. A. D. 1826, AGED 65 YEARS, 1 MONTH & 11 DAYS

Elizabeth Corby, a daughter, known better as "Little Elizabeth," though she was a tall and strikingly beautiful girl, always declared that a young white man scalped her. Though she did not indicate who he was, it was generally supposed he was an unscrupulous trader, driven off by the girl's indifference, and the hatred of the old folks.

Some have claimed the scalper was a former neighbor named Spycer, captured by the Indians a number of years before, but he had no unfriendly motive to cause him to resort to such savagery. "Little Elizabeth," it is said, hid

in a tree and would have escaped, only she came down from her hiding place too soon and the white renegade who had lurked behind as if searching for her rushed up and scalped her and inflicted a number of tomahawk wounds. The girl survived this savage treatment and lived about a year, dying without revealing her assailant's name. Though it may have been the deed of a total stranger.

It is said that the suspected attacker prospered and became a leading man about town in Pittsburg, being a typical playboy and trifler with women's hearts. At a masquerade party in the All Hallows' season held at the fashionable hotel once kept by Henry Marie, the old Frenchman a tall girl in a black domino closely masked attracted his attention and interest. He managed to dance practically every dance with her and separate her from a group of strangers who had apparently brought her to the party. During the evening she declined all wines and supper and refused to unmask. When the party broke up he spirited her out to his carriage and promised to drive her to an address she gave him at Squirrel Hill. When they crossed Four Mile run, lights were seen in an imposing mansion and they drew up at the home of Colonel John Turner, the half-brother of the notorious Simon Girty.

The girl signalled them to go to the house beyond, further up the hill. When they reached it all was darkness and tall grass and vines half hid the walls. Through the Negro coachman pounded on the door with the ivory handle of his long whip, there was no response. The place looked as if it had been deserted for years.

Always suspicious of plots, the ageing playboy seized the girl and tore off her mask and hood, as she had still declined to unmask until she reached her home. As the hood and mask fell away, to his horror, he seemed to recognize the bedraggled and bleeding countenance of Elizabeth Corby, whom he had scalped and scalped long years before on Whitely's creek.

He gave a piercing, almost womanish scream as the girl fell over lifeless in his arms. One peep into the carriage was enough for the Negro driver, who, dropped his whip, took to his heels down the hill as if the hounds of Peter Marmie, the Ewig Yager, were at his heels.

Legend does not tell what the playboy did with the girl's remains. Whether "Little Elizabeth" had secretly cared for him or appeared at All Hallows for motives of revenge is something that only those possessing a complete knowledge of the ghostly heart can penetrate. That persons hurried out of life by violent means when in perfect health are not wholly insensible (Continued on page six)

Service Record



Fellow workers and other friends are congratulating Harry A. Delozier (above), 148 East Curtin street, Bellefonte, who Nov. 8th completed twenty-five years of service with the Bell Telephone Company. He has been a capable splicer, working out of the Bellefonte central office since April, 1924. He had previously worked in Altoona. Mr. Delozier is a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America, a national organization of telephone veterans, and of the Bell company's 100,000 Mile Club, whose membership is restricted to employes who have driven company cars for at least 10 years without being responsible for an accident.

Biggest Engine Back In Altoona

Largest Steam Locomotive Returns After Two Years at World's Fair

Back to its birthplace in Altoona last week came the world's largest steam-lined steam locomotive, the S-1, after being viewed by thousands at its special track during the past two years at the New York World's Fair.

Built in the Juniata shops for the Association of American Railroads, the locomotive, No. 6100, was exhibited at the fair on a masonry foundation. It is 140 feet in length and weighs 526 tons. With eight driving wheels it develops 6,500 horsepower at 190 miles per hour and is capable of drawing a 14-car passenger train at that speed.

After a series of tests on the Mid-State division, the big engine left Altoona March 9, 1939, for the fair over a roundabout route. It was brought back over the P. R. R. main line.

Rev. Knisley Dies In St. Petersburg

Retired Methodist Minister Formerly Resided at Flemington

Rev. J. K. Knisley, well known retired minister in the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church, died Thursday noon, November 7, 1940, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. William P. Pinkington, 81, Petersburg. He was 80 years of age and had been in ill health for nearly a year and bedfast for the past ten days. Born February 8, 1860, at Port Royal, Juniata county, he was the son of Abraham and Catherine Knisley. His father died when he was 2 years of age and as a lad he was forced to make his own way. Rev. Knisley, at the age of 19, prepared himself for teaching and engaged in that profession 30 years, meanwhile preparing himself for the ministry.

Rev. Knisley was ordained to the Methodist ministry in 1883 and his first appointment was made in the Central Pennsylvania conference as supply pastor to the Decatur circuit in Mifflin county. In 1885 he was ordained as a deacon and in 1887 was made an elder. He retired from active service in the Methodist church in 1926.

Rev. Knisley served 14 different churches during his 43 years in the active ministry as follows: the Decatur circuit, at Burnt Cabins; Sax- (Continued on page five)

Death Causes Vacancy The State Health Department has announced a vacancy in the office of Clinton County Medical Director, caused by the death of the former incumbent, Dr. George D. Green. The position pays \$500.

Big Cannon Moved A huge cannon weighing 146 tons and which required three flat cars was transported over the Pennsylvania Railroad last week. The train traveled with an estimated speed of 20 miles per hour.

Youth and Sister Killed By Bomb

Die in Blast Which Destroys Car of Scranton Official

A bomb which police theorized was placed near the steering wheel of their family automobile, caused the deaths of a young son and daughter of the Scranton director of public health.

William Reborn, 19-year-old University of Scranton student, and his sister, Lois, 17, both were killed Thursday night in an explosion which shattered the car as they were about to enter it in front of their home in Scranton.

The son's body was found by his mother in the street beside the demolished auto. The blast hurled his sister back into their yard. Both were apparently instantly killed but a dog they had placed on the car's rear seat escaped uninjured.

State Police Corporal Kenneth Werth said the explosion was caused either by opening the car doors or the touch of the girl's foot on the starter. Lois, a high school senior, had

Altoona Seaman Among Survivors

Cadet Engineer Lysk Was Member of Crew on Sunken Freighter

Cadet engineer, Stephen C. Lysk, formerly of Altoona, was among the 37 survivors rescued from the American freighter, City of Rayville, which was sunk off the Australian coast Thursday night reportedly by a floating mine.

Only member of the crew to perish in the disaster was Third Engineer, Mac B. Bryan of Randleman, N. C., who drowned after jumping overboard. Members of the crew said he could not swim and were unable to locate him even though they heard his cries for help. He had no life belt, it was learned.

Two other Pennsylvanians were included among the survivors: they were Alfred E. Garris, of Bushkill, Pike County, and Joseph A. Howley of Chester.

Just been accepted at Colby College, Maine. There are two other children in the family.

Modern definitions: University—an excuse for a football team.

Deaf Mute Has Sight Restored

Successful Operation Brings Joy to 64-Year-Old Sunbry Man

A look at the sky means happiness enough to Valentine Peck, of Sunbry, who has little cause to be happy.

Deaf and speechless for all of his 64 years, Peck made his own way through life by selling newspapers—until the final disaster—blindness.

Another handicap—palsy—complicated his situation as catarracts shut off the light from his eyes. Surgeons looked over him at the Northumberland county home, but hesitated to operate until they interpreted the motions of the stricken man's hands to mean that he wanted them to try.

An operation at the Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia brought him back from what physicians regarded as "living death." Overjoyed when the bandages were removed, Peck hardly could wait to return to his almshouse room and touch his few possessions.

Emotions are valuable but civilization teaches self-control.

'KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES' — What Eddie Says Isn't Heard

