

Odd and CURIOUS in the NEWS

Dreams Come True

Ida Randall, of Pittsburgh, dreamed someone handed her three one-dollar bills and the next night had a vision of holding a whole bankroll in her hands.

Almost Dunked

Harry Potts, of Phillipsburg, came close to taking a dunking in the icy waters under the Hawk Run bridge one afternoon recently when his car, struck by another vehicle, headed for the creek.

He Skidded

W. F. Stonebraker, Phillipsburg groceryman, traveled 89 feet in unorthodox fashion near Sandy Ridge and miraculously escaped injuries.

Jimmy Gets Pie

Jimmy Stewart, Hollywood star, was sent a hot apple pie by his mother, Mrs. Alexander Stewart, on the first day of flight of the air-express inaugurated at Indiana, Pa., last week.

Wilmer is Subdued

Next time Wilmer Salomon, 22, of Kansas City, argues politics he will do it with less emphasis.

High Crimes

Allentown police are having a tough time establishing a connection between two new types of thefts in the community.

Bond Issue Approved

A bond issue of \$5,615 for road improvements by Pine Creek Township, Clinton county, has been approved by the State Department of Internal Affairs, at Harrisburg.

Puzzled About New Name For Baby?

If you're perplexed about naming the baby, for instance, you might consider some of these novel tactics that have been advanced.

Hobo King Says 'Bums Must Work'

The Hoboes of America, Inc., famed national organization of 1,000,000 members, has announced the start of a campaign to put the nation's 250,000 "tramps and bums" to work.

Furnish Vitamins To Workers

The Continental Machine Company of Minneapolis has adopted an unusual "health conservation program," distributing daily vitamin pills to all workers in a move to keep manpower at a maximum for the national defense program.

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Altoona Railroad Shops To Build 4,500 Freight Cars; 5 Electric Engines

Announcement of P.R.R.'s \$17,500,000 Construction Order For Mountain City Comes as Welcome News to Citizens

The huge 17 and a half million dollar expansion order announced last week by the Pennsylvania Railroad board of directors will be performed in the Altoona shops, it was learned Monday night.

Altoona shopmen had expected to receive a large portion of the order because of the facilities available. Consequently they welcomed news that the entire order will come to Altoona.

General Chairman Nelson said the order provides for the construction of 4,500 freight cars, 200 cab cars, five electric passenger locomotives, 20 locomotive tenders, 900 freight containers and the remodeling and air-conditioning of 80 additional passenger coaches.

Included in the freight orders

authorized are 1,000 double-door all-steel box cars, 50 feet 6 inches long, with an inside height of more than 10 feet at the eaves. Their larger cubical capacity will make possible the most efficient and economical handling of a wide variety of bulky commodities now moving in volume.

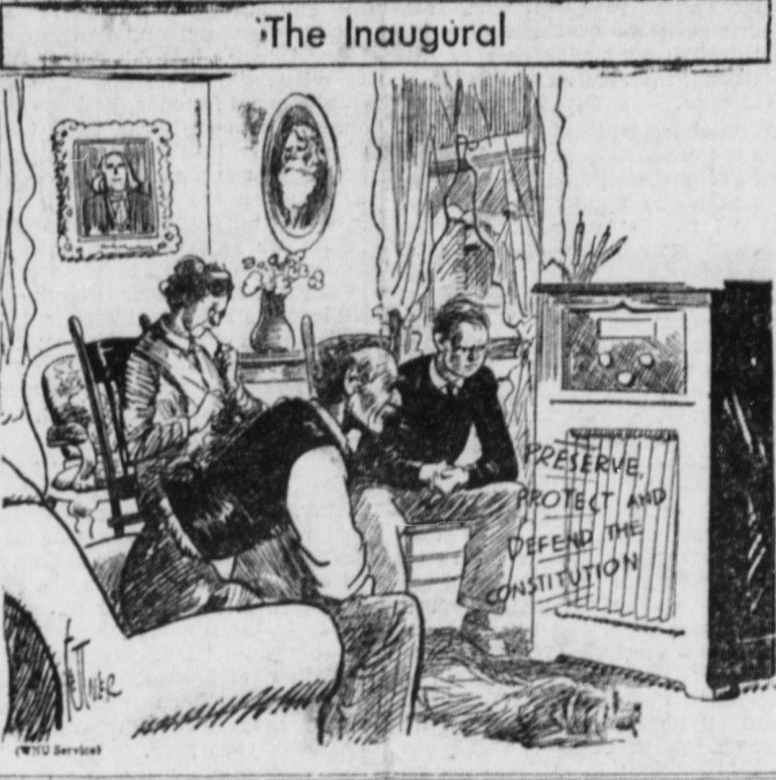
Rabbits Released Near Muncy.

Seventy-six Western cottontail rabbits purchased by the Glades Run Sportsmen's Association have been released in the Muncy Water Supply Company land near Muncy.

Refer to Il Duce as 'Finito'

Thomas J. Smith, a Philadelphia artist, reported on his return from Rome that there was great unrest in Italy and that the common joke among Italians was to refer to Benito Mussolini as "Finito" Mussolini.

Everybody reads the Classifieds



ANNOUNCE AIRPORT CHANGES

According to information from T. B. Bourne, acting director of the Federal Airways Service, the weather reporting and communications facilities now located at the Kylertown Airport will probably be transferred to the Black Moshannon Airport on July 1st.

Acting Director Bourne said the moving of the weather bureau and radio would take place as soon as work at the Black Moshannon airport is officially completed.

In reporting the planned change from Kylertown to Black Moshannon, it was revealed that Kylertown, which is an intermediate field and now operated by the Civil Aeronau-

tics Administration, is not only inadequate in size but dangerous for use by large ships because of caverling which have occurred on the area of the field from time to time.

Bourne said the relocation of facilities will better serve the flying public and is considered necessary for the further development and improvement of the Chicago-New York airway.

The trouble with most smart sayings is that they are not very smart.

Truck Driver Held In Death Of Minister's Son After Fight Over Girl

Accused of Slaying Young Man With Hammer as They Fought in Latter's Car; Forced Victim to Drive to Lonely Spot

The battered and burned body of a 19-year-old son of a Dunkard minister was found beside his automobile on a lonely mountain road near Ephrata, Lancaster county, Sunday, and State Police say the young man had been beaten to death.

The dead youth is Robert R. Hackman, whose father, Charles M. Hackman, is pastor of a religious sect similar to the Amish.

Hackman was last seen alive earlier in the day when he left the home of a girl at Union Grove. It is believed that the assailant hid in the rear of the car, attacking Hackman at a lonely point in the road. The interior of the car was burned and all the windows smashed.

On Monday, William G. Redcay, 23-year-old truck driver, was arrested and charged with the murder of Hackman. Investigators said the tragedy grew out of a quarrel over a girl.

Hackman, the State police said, had been keeping company with a girl Redcay had "dated" until last August. He quoted the young truck driver as saying he planned to give Hackman a "good beating."

The police said this was Redcay's story of the slaying. After attending a party at a hotel, Redcay parked his car a half mile from his home and took a hammer from the tool kit. He then walked

to a crossroads where he knew Hackman would have to stop on his way home from the girl's house.

About 2:30 a. m. Hackman drove up and stopped, Redcay entered the machine and the two drove off arguing. Shortly after, they started to fight and Hackman pushed Redcay from the car.

The minister's son started to drive away when Redcay jumped on the running board, smashed a window with the hammer and struck Hackman who lost control of the machine. The car swerved against a tree and caught fire.

Then, Hackman climbed out and (Continued on Page 6)

Icy Roads Cause Two Accidents

Clinton County Highways Are Scenes of Automobile Crashes

Two automobile accidents, due to icy condition of the Clinton county highways, were reported last Thursday.

The first occurred at 12:30 p. m. on Route 220, four miles west of Mill Hall, when cars operated by William I. McClintock of Mill Hall, R. D. 1, and Hugh G. Price, of Akron, Ohio, traveling west in that order, collided.

The McClintock machine was struck from the rear by the other vehicle when it slowed down to pick up a pedestrian and was forced into a telephone pole alongside the highway. Damages were \$30 to each car and \$25 to the pole.

An accident on Route 64 involved the car driven by James F. Goetz, of Renovo. Mr. Goetz was traveling east, a mile west of Mill Hall, and was going down a hill when he reports, he noticed another automobile coming toward him on the left hand side of the road. In attempting to get out of its way he ran off the road. When he tried to get back on the highway, his car skidded 150 feet and then struck the guard rail fence, forcing one pole out and damaging about 25 feet of the fence. Mr. Goetz was not seriously injured.

Lock Haven Girl Injured In Wreck

Car in Which Victim Was Riding Strikes Truck Near Phillipsburg

Twenty-two year old Virginia Meyers, of Lock Haven, was injured two miles east of Phillipsburg on the Port Matilda road early Saturday morning when the car she was riding in struck a truck which had stopped on the highway.

Miss Meyers received body bruises and lacerations of the face, while Frederick Eischenlaub, also of Lock Haven, driver of the car, escaped injuries as did Carlton J. Rowles, Oilanta, Clearfield county, driver of the truck.

Blinded by a heavy fall of snow, Eischenlaub failed to see the truck which was headed in the same direction as the car, investigating motor police said.

Damages to the truck and car will total at least \$100, motor police revealed.

Dream Road Collects \$562,666.

The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission has collected more than \$562,666 in tolls from motorists using the 106-mile super-highway between October 1, 1940 and January 1, 1941. A commission spokesman said that 563,671 vehicles used the turnpike during the three-month period.

Judge Evans 83

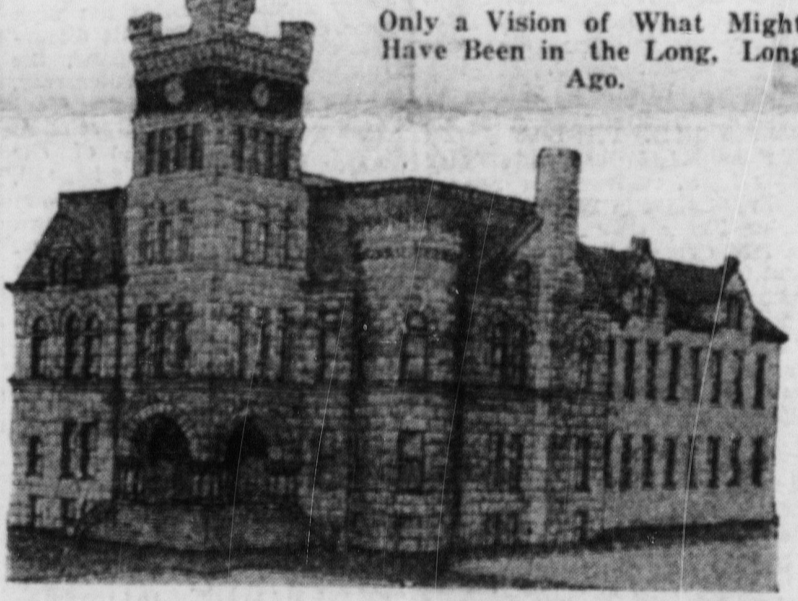
Judge Evans, of Bloomsburg, former president judge of Columbia and Montour counties, who served in that capacity for 24 years, Friday celebrated the 83rd anniversary of his birth. He is exceptionally well preserved for his years.

3:40 p. m., installation of officers. 4 p. m. hymns and benediction, Rev. C. H. Hammond.

A FANTASY THAT FADED

Centre County's New Court House? No!

Only a Vision of What Might Have Been in the Long, Long Ago.



How well do you know your Court House? Ever think of it as anything else than the huge-pillared Colonial-type structure it has always been?

Take a glance at the accompanying picture and fancy looking at Centre county's Temple of Justice and seat of government. It couldn't be, you say, but it actually is the conception of what might have occurred at one time in the county's history. Yes, many years ago, our Court House was threatened with a distinct "face-lifting" that would have completely changed its present classical design.

It was so long ago that only our grandfathers will remember that the county officials got together and decided that the old Court House must be enlarged to meet the requirements imposed on it. The picture shown here is the form the new structure would acquire.

It was proposed to build an addition of about 60 feet to the front of the present structure, which would have brought it down to

Woman Burned as Fire Sweeps Home

Victim of Ill Health Was Alone in House When Fire Occurs

Mrs. George Kalmbach, of Hardscrabble, between Woolrich and Swisshale, is a patient in the Lock Haven Hospital suffering from burns of the face, hands and body, which she received Saturday morning when the Kalmbach home was practically destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Kalmbach, who has been in ill health, was alone in the house at the time the fire began, from unknown origin. George E. Fravel, who resided at the Kalmbach home, had gone to Lock Haven earlier in the morning.

When the fire was discovered, Walter Heicke, a neighbor, found Mrs. Kalmbach on the floor of the house and he and Lawrence Weaver, another neighbor, carried her to safety and brought her to the hospital at Lock Haven.

The fire apparently started about 10:30 o'clock and was not discovered immediately. Fire fighters from Woolrich responded to the alarm, but were unable to save the house. Some of the furniture on the lower floors was carried out, but other furnishings were destroyed.

The house was covered by insurance, but there was no insurance on the contents, which included \$200 worth of tools owned by Mr. Fravel, a carpenter. Mr. Fravel had been at the Private Hospital, receiving attention for a fracture of his right foot suffered several weeks ago, only a quarter of an hour before Mrs. Kalmbach was brought in.

Annual Meeting Of Credit Group

Six-County Area Represented By Farmers and Their Wives

A total of 288 persons, 113 of whom were stockholders, attended the seventh annual meeting of the Hollidaysburg Production Credit Association in the Morrison Cove High school, Martinsburg, Pa., Wednesday, January 8, from 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. Farmers and their wives were present from a six-county area.

John A. Runk, of Huntingdon county, president of the association, presided at the meeting and introduced the principal speakers. S. T. Blough, Johnstown, director for Cambria county, gave a report of the board of directors and stated that the association had loaned a total of \$290,000 during 1940 to eligible farmer members.

William H. Bishop, secretary-treasurer, of Hollidaysburg, gave the treasurer's report and brought out the fact that the association was in sound financial condition and making progress each year. His report showed that there was a reserve fund of more than \$21,000 to take care of possible losses and as the local farmers had an investment of almost \$18,000 in cooperative stock there was more than \$100 of reserve for every \$1.00 of the farm.

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Social Security Aide To Be Here

Will Assist Wage Earners in Filing Claims For Payments

For the purpose of rendering aid in filing claims under the Social Security law, a representative of the Williamsport Field Office of the Social Security Board will be in Bellefonte on Tuesday, January 21, at the Employment Service Office, corner Spring and Pike Streets. The hours for consultation will be from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

This service is maintained regularly on the third Monday of each month for the convenience of residents of this area. The purpose of this part-time service is to assist retired wage earners and the families of deceased wage earners in filing claims for payments under the old-age and survivors insurance provisions of the Social Security Act. The representative is also prepared to render assistance and answer inquiries concerning social security account numbers, wage records, or other Social Security Board matters. All persons who have business with the Board are invited to call upon the representative for an interview. There is no charge for such assistance.

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Schedule Sabbath School Meeting

Session to be Held at Snow Shoe Methodist Church, January 19

The Centre County Sunday School Association will sponsor a convention for the Sunday schools of District No. 2, at the Snow Shoe Methodist church on Sunday, January 19, with a session from 2 to 4 p. m.

District No. 2 includes the following Sunday schools: Clarence Methodist, Snow Shoe Methodist, Snow Shoe Presbyterian, Moshannon Presbyterian, Moshannon Methodist, Moshannon Free Methodist, and Pine Glen Methodist.

Dr. W. R. Heaton, of Phillipsburg, president of the County Sunday School Association, will preside at the convention, while Mrs. Ruth Harris will be the convention chorister.

The program follows:

- 2 p. m., song service, led by Mrs. Harris. 2:15 p. m., devotional services, Rev. W. J. Kerr. 2:30 p. m., address, "The Duties of Officers and Teachers," Rev. W. H. Rissmiller. 3 p. m., offering and songs. 3:30 p. m., address, "There is a Lad Here," Rev. L. L. Clark.

Household Hints For Busy Wives

Helpful suggestions that will lighten housework, tested recipes and menus will be found regularly in the Housewife's Food Almanack, a regular feature of The American Weekly, the big magazine distributed with the Baltimore Sunday American. On sale at all Newsstands.

Struck by Tree

Roy Williams, Jr., 16, of Wysox, near Towanda, was killed when he was struck by a tree which he was helping to fell.

'KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES' - The Diagnosis



By POP MOMAND