

TOURING THE WEST

(By C. M. Myers, Julian, Pa.)

Los Angeles, Calif., March 13, 1941. Editor, Centre Democrat. Dear Sirs—This noon we started on a sight-seeing trip to Santa Monica, then south along the coast to Plaza-Del-Rey. Here you see oil wells in the town and on the beach...

The bay is a shelter for ships of many sizes, a part of the West Pacific fleet is in this harbor. Soon after leaving the harbor we were in Long Beach. It is surprising the amount of oil wells you see in sections south of Los Angeles. We were on the go for 6 1/2 hours, saw many interesting things and had a very enjoyable trip...

We were in Red Rock Canyon. This is wild and terrible, yet beautiful. The rocks are like large columns and carvings as though they had been built by human hands and of several colors, hundreds of people were on these cliffs taking pictures, picking wild flowers and hunting colored rock. We saw our first Joshua trees in bloom here...

From there we went to Hollywood and the Columbia Broadcasting Station. We joined the group that was taken all through. We saw the private studio that Amos and Andy broadcast from, as well as other studios. We saw a television demonstration; were taken through the sound-effects department where they demonstrated the mechanical apparatus for all the different types of sound...

Mr. Narehood expects to let sub-contractors for skidding, cutting and sawing the immense quantity of timber. Lumbermen from various parts of Pennsylvania and from New York State have indicated their interest in the vast project, and a number of them are planning to visit the tract when operations have been launched. Mr. Narehood reports...

Members of the violin ensemble were: Ruth Clyde, Charlotte Heim, June Eby, Barbara McDowell, Carolyn Champlin, David Kapp, Allen Hewitt, James Thompson and Arthur Dale. The following pupils composed the kindersymphony: violins, Ann Heraty, Jane Walker, James Newcomb, Pete Smith, Helen Dunn, Patty Leffler, Frances Dale, Mildred Hockman, Thomas Lyon, Ray Noll and Bobby Dunn; nightingale, Billy Sieg; chthonophones, Mae Summers, Jean Blaney, Caroline Robison, and Shirley Thomas; tambourines, Jane Robb and Ann Robb; trumpet, Julia Warner; drums, Kenny Widdowson; cello, Janet Noll and Patsy Blaney; cymbals, Elizabeth Walker and Cynthia Scott; triangle, Margaret Walker, Peggy Wolfe and Ann Sieg.

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Modern Etiquette

- 1. Isn't it permissible for a woman to take a man's arm when walking along the street?
2. When a bachelor has been entertained by married friends, what is a good way for him to return the hospitality?
3. Should a child be permitted to leave the table before the rest of the family has finished eating?
4. When a bride is to be married in a traveling suit, what should the bridegroom wear?
5. What is the best way for a man to ask a girl for a dance?
5. May one use a lead pencil for writing a social or business letter?

Answers to Modern Etiquette

- 1. Yes, under certain conditions it is all right. If the street is poorly lighted, or otherwise dangerous and uncertain, it is well to do so; and also when walking under an umbrella.
2. Take them to a restaurant for dinner or to the theater.
3. No, he should sit quietly until the others have finished. Of course, he may be excused if the grown-ups linger over after-dinner coffee and conversation.
4. A business suit.
5. "May I have the next dance?"
6. Not unless one is ill and writing the letter in bed.
7. It isn't necessary for him to hold his hat longer than a minute, and when meeting the girl, and again when leaving. It would be presumptuous for a girl to expect a man to stand bareheaded in a snow storm or rain.
8. No; it should be done in the Hadley's. At an informal dinner the carving may be done at the table.
9. No; it is not required and certainly should not be expected.
10. No. "How do you do" is sufficient.
11. The dress may be made with or without a train, depending upon the formality of the wedding.
12. No; if there is trouble in writing a straight line, buy the black-ruled paper which fits under the notepaper and envelopes. These are called guides and can be purchased in any stationery store.

SEVERE FIRE AT MT. UNION

Fire from an exploding stove on Tuesday forenoon led to the destruction of five buildings in Mt. Union's main business section, resulting in three men being injured, including two firemen, and upwards of thirty persons forced to flee their homes in near-zero temperatures. Unofficial estimates place the loss at \$100,000.

The borough was isolated from outside communications for several hours as the wide-spreading flames burned through telephone and telegraph lines near the three-story and block C. B. Crum building, in which the fire reportedly started, and which was eventually reduced to ragged walls. Three nearby homes, including the one of U. S. Senator Frank Adams and his wife, to which he retired nearly 10 years ago, were gutted.

While the fire was raging, following its inception shortly before noon, Charles T. Hadley, 55, who had a jewelry store in the Crum building on the Jefferson street side, opened the front door of his store; he was hurled backward into the street by a terrific explosion that was later attributed either to an accumulation of gas or spontaneous combustion. Fred Gardner, 30, a Lewisburg man, suffered a severely lacerated tendon in his left wrist while fighting the blaze and was sent to Lewisburg hospital after a physician examined him. Raymond Carl, 40, a Mt. Union fireman, suffered a sprained thumb when a hose got out of control.

Large Attendance At Music Recital

Heraty and Jane Walker, violin duet; Ann Robb, Patsy Blaney and Jane Robb, piano trio; Jean Blaney and Jane Walker, piano duet; Sara Risner, Edith Wisan, Nancy Wagner and Margaret Resner, two pianos; David Kapp and Allen Hewitt, violin duet; Amy McCoy, Sara Risner, Peggy Wagner and Gloria Goldman, two pianos; Mildred Hockman and Carmen Hess, two pianos; Ruth Clyde, David Kapp, Barbara McDowell and Allen Hewitt, violin quartette; Jean Adams and Jean Clevestine, two pianos; Jean Clevestine and Mrs. Schad, two pianos, and a violin ensemble.

Buildings Block Road

Two boulders, weighing 100 and 65 tons respectively, which worked loose from the mountain side and dropped onto the Danville-Catawissa highway about four miles from Danville, made traffic on this back road to Catawissa an impossibility Sunday. Highway employes barricaded the road while removing the boulders and the smaller rocks and dirt which fell with them.

Lilies of the valley planted on all four sides of the house will insure a long season for them. Those on the south side will bloom first, while those on the other sides will come along in succession as the weather gets warmer.

PINE GROVE MILLS

Mrs. James D. Tanyer, one of our aged citizens, is confined to her bed the past two weeks under her doctor's care. Mr. W. Alexander Cori, one of our energetic young farmers is making the new I. H. C. tractor purchased last week, for the Nerhood I. H. C. State College.

Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Harpeter were supper guests last Tuesday evening at the Roy Buck home in Warriors Mark. Elizabeth Adelaide is the name of the little Miss born last Wednesday in Johnstown hospital, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James Fisher, both mother and babe are doing fine. The first grandchild of the Harry Fishers of Half Moon, to Harry is thinking of letting his whiskers grow long.

Farmer and dairyman John G. Miller purchased a good team of geldings last week for his farm just East of town. Stock buyer Bruce Krumrine of Pleasant Gap, purchased a fine load of porkers from L. K. Peters last week at the 8c mark. Harold Gates of Somerset is spending some time here with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cal Gates.

The State College Kiwanis Club will gladly accept any article that can be turned to cash for underprivileged children at their community sale, April 12th, at the Shoemaker storage. The club will call if articles are made known. The March Civic Club meetings will be held in Bellefonte community hall March 31st and April 7th. A Newman of Philadelphia, agent for Morningstar Baking Co. will show moving pictures of growing wheat until its put on the table as bread (staff of life). The president Mrs. Albright will also have some entertainment for the children.

Mr. Walter Colpeter will be right hand man at the John Dreibeis farm at White Hall this coming season. Mr. and Mrs. George Burrell entertained at their home last Wednesday evening the members and some friends of the Ladies Bible Class of the Presbyterian Sunday School. The regular March meeting in charge of class president Mrs. Martha Gavitt devotions and business session followed by playlets given by Misses Mary and Ethel.

Recent guests at the Samuel M. Hess home on the Branch, their daughter Miss Sara of Shanksville, Pa. John Hess of Altoona and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schaeffer of Bellefonte. Lumberman J. H. Knepp of Lewisburg, has his saw mill in operation in the Rev. Weaver timber tract on Tadpole (The Barto farm) some fine timber is being cut and marketed.

The Jay Risings of Pittsburgh, are receiving congratulations over the arrival of No. 1 a fine baby girl. Margaret is her name. Mrs. Risling is known here as Miss Margaret (or just Peg). Congratulations from the Centre Democrat. Our building contractor Arthur P. Stephens, we are sorry to relate is under his M. D.'s care a his home suffering from a heart ailment. His many friends trust a speedy recovery. Mr. Stephens spent some time recently in Sunny Florida.

Popular Auctioneer, Silas Gibson of Huntingdon county, was among the bidders at the J. E. Smeltzer sale Friday last. Everything brought good prices, sale totalling around \$200,000. Farmer Paul McWilliams purchased a new Allis-Chalmers tractor last week from the Johnston Bros. agency at Rock Springs. The J. A. Gibboney family attended Friday p. m. the funeral of Mr. Gibboney's brother, Charles at McLevey's Fort, who died very suddenly while at his work.

Miss Mary Mayes who a few weeks ago figured in an auto wreck near Norristown, Pa., is recuperating now very nicely from injuries at her parental home, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mayes, at Huntingdon Furnace.

Blast Phone Cable

Mifflinburg youths who were seeking a skunk in the alley between two streets there, blasted a hole in the cable of the Buffalo Valley Telephone Company with a shot-gun. Costs of repairs were paid by the youths and only a slight interruption in service was caused.

Lessons In English

Words Often Misused: Do not say, "I want you to quickly return." This is a split infinitive. Say, "I want you to return quickly." Do not say, "He walked across the bridge." Say, "He walked across the bridge."

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Dispelling The Fog

By CHARLES MICHELSON From now on, we may look for surprising stories in the newspapers. Such a time as this breeds all manner of rumors and, in the nature of things, these usually cannot be confirmed or contradicted, as the case may be, from any official source. For example, there recently has been printed a more or less detailed list of munitions and other things supposed to be on their way to England or some other country that is resisting the aggressions of the totalitarian powers.

As this letter is being written, the papers are full of the story that a big German submarine is on its way to the western side of the Atlantic, presumably with the idea of catching vessels laden with the materials provided for in the lend and lease bill. It may be true, or it may be a false alarm. The newspapers credit as the source of the story the British Embassy, which brought the comment from Senator Wheeler that it was a deliberate attempt to frighten the State Department and the American people.

Perhaps no great harm results, for the powers across the sea that scan the American newspapers—even these—have been educated to the knowledge that they cannot always bank on the accuracy of what they read. On the whole, the newspaper men generally have handled their problems very well. Comparatively few important blunders have been made and a vast number of violent tales have never been sent, because they could not be verified, and furthermore, because the Washington correspondents themselves realize that, however good the story, if it interferes with our governmental policies, it should not be printed.

However, from now on, there is bound to be a multitude of scare-heads and big type stories that may or may not have a legitimate basis. It is not a comfortable situation but there isn't anything that can be done about it. When a newspaper editor gets a hot story at midnight, with the likelihood that the rival newspaper across the street has the same story, he is more likely to accept the judgment of the Washington correspondent as to the truth of the tale than to accept the humiliation—a very real humiliation in the newspaper world—of being scooped by the rival sheet.

Scareheads of Another Day It will be remembered that in the first World War there were almost daily scare tales of American transports being torpedoed, but when the fog was lifted it developed that no American transport had encountered a hostile U-boat. The newspaper reporters covering the emergency on the Washington front must send their newspapers what they gather if the alleged news comes to them from quarters that they deem reliable. Nobody, for example, thinks that the late printed last week concerning the supplying of 90 or 100 vessels—torpedo boats and freighters—was invented by the writer. In this particular instance it was possible to contradict the story because at the time it was written no selection of the sort of ships to be passed to the British had been made. Doubtless the need of the British—particularly for cargo boats—was being canvassed and ways and means were being studied. Somebody evidently got wind that such a survey was under way and transplanted the prospect into an accomplished fact. The newspaper men are bedeviled by two circumstances. First, the governmental necessity of keeping secret information that might be detrimental to the anti-Axis cause, and secondly, by the reporter's duty to his publication to furnish such information as he gathers to his newspaper. On the other hand, the government, shunning any approach to censorship and vitally concerned with preserving the freedom of the press, can neither head off such publications nor correct them if they be erroneous.

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