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John Barrett, 26, of Hoboken, N J., believes his "Irish luck" is responsible for his being alive after he fell eleven s ories, landed on an auof the eleven-story building when quarreling in their suburban Eldorhe fell, his body draped in the flag, ado home, near Altoona.

#### ATTENDS CHURCH

Bucky, a large dog, half German Shepherd and half Collie has attended every service at Mt. Carmel Catholic Church, Ashtabula, Ohio, for the past three years. Sometimes he accompanies his owner, Mrs. Jophine Carlo but more often at ends mass alone.

#### 'BABY CHAIR'

When his wife testified that he had turned his two-year-old stepdaughter's high-chair into an "electric chair" and shocked the baby with drycell batteries, Francis Wenzler, 27, of Boston, was sent to jail for six months on an assault charge.

#### PREFERS JAIL

When a Hutchinson, Kansas reformatory parolee learned that his fered painful injuries Saturday night wife was planning to take him back when she was struck by an automoafter his release, he made other bile while attempting to cross Henplans. He promptly got drunk, derson street in that city. robbed a store and surrendered to

#### REVERSED

Thirty years ago Mrs. Emilie suddenly appeared in its path. Berhnardt of Los Angeles, took her young son, Curtis, to school. Now Curtis is taking mama, now 73, to the Hollywood High School where she is studying English and taking Centre Co. May a citizenship course.

#### FANCY DUNKING

Add another modern note to streamlining of the Army. The Salvation Army, of New York, which brought doughnut and doughboy together in 1917, is mak-ing doughnuts with star-shaped

While traveling over his mail In a corn field near the home of Z. tion of 268,000. Victor Lynn. Lack of food in the mountains is believed to have coax- is in District 23. comprising Centre. ed bruin from his more distant Clearfield and Blair counties.

of Albert James Hawkins, 19, who

His Identity was discovered when

he was stripped for a bath upon

admission to the jail-his 19th

birthday. He had been arrested at

a Parker's Landing inn as "Miss

Dorothy McArdle," and held for

court on a charge on taking \$35

divested "Miss McArdle" of "her"

plucked evebrows as the only

from a rooming house.

in order, he said, to get a job.

Boy, 19, Masquerades As Girl For

jail Saturday proved the undoing folded his strange story:

Once over their surprise, jailers lows wanted to kiss me.

'Oscar O'Neil Kidnapped For The

"Oscar O'Neill," famous Port Ma- is the dummy-stooge of ventrilo-

son's

o'elock

well-manicured fingernails and to marry me.

Six Years In Order To Get A Job

A bath in the Allegheny county At a police hearing, the youth un-

for five years masqueraded as a girl he explained to detectives. "I didn't

# NEWS \*

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# **Altoona Woman Shoots Husband Through Heart** After Violent Quarrel

The Most Widely Read Newspaper In Centre County.

"I just shot my husband-isn't it

The son is reported to have called

Altoona police headquarters after

he heard the shot. He told police

mother and father kept him awake

and so he dressed and went down-

stairs. After a while he heard a

shot and went up to the bedroom

but it was locked. He said his fos-

ter-mother refused to open the door,

Inside the room police found Muller's stocky and naked body,

lying flat on his back, his arms en-

angled about his head in a normal

sleeping position. The bullet pierc-

Downstairs in their modern and

Police say Mrs. Muller had been

toona, several months ago, and was

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well-furnished home, rugs were cut

Then he no ified police,

und on a bureau.

up and torn.

Walks Out of Bedroom Exclaiming, 'I Just Shot My Husband-Isn't It Awful'; Physicians Pronounce Wife 'Mentally Unstable'

Frederick A. Muller, well known lice arrived Mrs. Elizabeth Muller, throughout Centre and adjoining 46, a former attractive New York counties as the district representa- model, walked out of her locked tive of the Chrysler corporation, bedroom and said: tomobile hood and ruptured his was shot and killed by his wife spleen. Barrett was trying to hoist early Wednesday morning of last awful?" a large American flag on the roo! week as a climax to a night of

SECOND

SECTION

Muller, who was about 47 years investiga ors a quarrel between his of age, was found dead in bed at about 7 o'clock, a bullet wound through his heart. The shot was fired from a .45 calibre automatic pistol he had used while he was an army lieutenant during the World

An adopted son, Fred Jr., 17, reported the shooting, and when po-

### Woman Hurt When Struck By Car

Mrs. M. S. Quiggle Injured Attempting to Cross Lock

Haven Street known resident of Lock Haven, suf- mentally unstable. Both Mrs. Mul-

According to report, the car, drivauthorities, who took him back to en by Theda Glossner of Mill Hall, jail.

R. D. 1. had turned left onto Henderson street after traveling west on Main street, when Mrs. Quiggle

The woman was taken to the of-(Con inued on Page 7)

# Be Reapportioned

Proposal, If Passed, Would Put Centre in Seven-County Unit

Centre county will be in congressional District 31 if Rep. Albert L. O'Connor, Democrat from Cambria

county, has his way Buddy notes in O'Connor's bill for rier out of New Columbia, saw a reapportionment would be Lycomrier out of New Columbit, saw a ing. Snyder, Union, Juniata, Perry black bear about three miles west and Mifflin counties with which of that place. The animal was seen Centre would have a total popula-

At the present time Centre county (Continued on page seven)

"My parents died when I was 13.

want to stay with my aunt in Riv-

esville, W. Va. I knew I could not

get a job as a boy, so I dressed up

in some of my aunt's clothes. I've

"I hope I can get a job as a boy

automobile Friday night

when it was solen from in front of

About two and a half hours later

Twenty-seventh street. And now

one ever found me out;

The Centre Democrat

#### BELLEFONTE, PA., THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1941.



#### AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

SNYDER COUNTY HAS JAP CHICK SEXER

the art of determining the sex of and Hatchery about a mile south of developed into a big-scale opera- territory, and two years ago, he

enough to handle. It is about as a stool, he works at a bench with youth he saw old-timers sex chicks During the normal day-old chick

An interesting article by Freder- Placed on the bench immediately the Nipponese, learn this business, the heart of the business in this

ick E. Machmer in a recent issue in front of him is a box of unsexed and come back to the United States part of Pennsylvania. The off-time

y-a Japanese by the name of Dick the "peeps" after they are segre- Japan. Every day for one year he business in California. Takata is

determining the sex of baby chicks a pullet, in the box to the left. Then he took an examination at the Uni- Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and

for the owners of the flourishing he transfers the remaining chicks versity of Southern California for the busiest time of the season is the

hand another from the box of un- ed the test with flying colors and a

Takata's is an excling albeit pro- sexed chicks and repeats his job. mark of 98 per cent in determining ate mailing process has been in

fitable, task. He works with rapid- The examination of the chick in his accuracy. He was recognized and stituted to move the chicks to their

ity in determining the sex of chicks left hand, while he holds another in licensed is a sexer by the Internat- destination without loss of time. A

the past six years, altho he came to the large poultry farms in Nebraska

day-old chick hatcheries of this to his left hand, takes in his right a chick sexer's certificate. He pass- present March to May period.

the mattress beneath. The gun was Stuart Memorial Scholarship.

income and interest from a \$1,000 highest grade is eligible. estate, left by the la e Mrs. Elizabeth Shattuck in memory of her a patient in Mercy hospital, Al- father, John W. Stuart, and is we would grumble just as much if awarded on the basis of the ratings they were half what they are and Mrs. M. S. Quiggle, 59, a well descr.bed by physicians as being received by S.ate College high we couldn't grumble more if they County scholarship examination, they will probably be.

baby chicks as soon as they are old Port Trevorton. There, perched on tion, Dick remembered that in his came East.

ployment in checking chicks' sex. To the eye. Takata's work runs mastering every trick of the trade, sylvania area.

Mr. Machmer's article reveals Ta- like this:

After he became both proficient and The Japanes

Kenneth S. White, son of Dr. and given annually to county seniors at under the Swartz home, wrapped in ed his body and was imbedded in Mrs. Marsh W. White of State Col- Bellefonte. The stipulation is that newspapers. lege has been awarded the John W. If a senior from State College wins the county scholarship, the senior The scholarship consists of the from State College with the next

We grumble about taxes now but

that he would return to the land of August, Takaja resides in Richfield.

About seven years ago he sailed to who are engaged in the produce

spen: with Japanese chick sexers, one of about 15 sexers in the Penn-

Sexing chicks was a field in which employee carts them away to be

mand at that time. Takata soon Postmaster James M. Herrold, of

# **Five Altoona Residents** Held In \$8,000 Robbery Of Furs At Clearfield

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**FEATURES** 

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Three Men, Two Women Arrested For Implication in Bold Theft at Clearfield Taxidermy Business Plant

of \$8,000 worth of furs from the burglary tools in their car. prisoner; are named as: Harry evidence of the robbery. Walls, 34, and Ruth Weyandt, 27, of Chestnut avenue.

A Visitor In Seven Thousand Homes Each Week.

Mrs. Swartz is being held in Blair week before Alderman J. Shelley on a charge of receiving stolen good; to which police are reported saying she had signed a conlession. Most of the stolen furs were found

All of the defendan's except Mrs. Swartz were nabbed early Thursday morning by Aitoona police after teletype messages had been sent out warning out-of-town police to be on the lookout for Swartz and Walls, reported to have been armed and en route by au omobile to Can ton, Ohio. Swartz and Kelly were school seniors in the \$400 Centre were twice as much, which is what spotted sitting in a car on an Altoons street and arrested. Police

he spends with his four brothers.

The Japanese determines the sex

Down at the Ulsh farm, a separ-

Taka a sexes the chicks, an Uls'

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At his pay rate of one-half cent

Police believe that the bold theft | asserted they found several furs and

Clearfield Tax dermy Company. Walls and Miss Weyandt were ar-Clearfield, last Monday has been rested a short time later at their cleared up with the arrest Thurs- home. A search of the premises day of five Altoona residents. The failed to uncover any incriminating

With the exception of Mrs. 807 Chestnut avenue; Mrs. Ruth Swartz, all of the defendants have Swar z, 30, and Edgar D. Swartz, 33, been arrested previously. Police both of Franks own road; and Wil- said Miss Weyandt was arrested 19 liam L. Kelly, 40, of 2428 West times | Kelly, two; Swartz, five, and Walls, seven.

The furs stolen from the Clearcounty prison at Holl.daysburg in field Taxidermy Company are des-\$1,000 bail, pending a hearing this cribed as follows: Silver fox, white fox, northern beaver, brown pany, northern seal, Mendoxa beaver, Clearfield seal, dyed muskrat, marmot, Chesklang lamb, tipped mole. silvertone, muskrat, kidskin, raccoon, mink, red lox and Jersian paw skins, most of them being coats and

## 3 Bellwood Girls Sought By Police

High School Students Have Been Missing Since Last Thursday

No trace of three Bellwood-Antis High school girls who disappeared into a nation of pin-ball jitterbugs. from the school last Thursday morn- You can see them anywhere; in ing has been found by the state motor police who have established

Ever hear of a professional chick Every Monday, the Japanese is this country nearly 18 years ago. Kansas, and Iowa. For four years a state-wide search for them. sexer? Chick sexing, by the way, is employed at the Ulsh Poultry Farm When the day-old chick business he practiced in the mid-western The girls, Bertha Loucks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Loucks; Ruth McClellan and Christine Kovec, both aged 17, were last unique an occupation as one can boxes of new born chicks piled in his home nation. He decided season which runs from January to reported seen near Tyrone and were later said to have been seen in a coupe traveling toward Altoona at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning. State police, however, were unable

to verify this report. Parents of the three girls, frantic with worry, said they knew no reason Why the girls should leave, and that they had no money or extra clothing. "Everything will be all right if you'll come home at once," the parents said yesterday in an apto the girls to return home Burgess Edgar McKinney, Bellwood, said relatives of the girls hought perhaps they might be heading toward Baltimore where the Kovec girl has relatives.

## Old Stone Arch **Bridge Rebuilt**

Takata has been a chick sexer for obtained profitable employment in Port Trevorton, supervises the Structure Spanning Jack's Creek, Mifflin County, to be Dedicated

> Relic of stagecoach days, the Old Stone Arch Bridge over Jack's Creek in Mifflin county has been restored and will be dedicated at a ceremony sponsored by the Mifflin County Historical Society, Friday. May 16, the State Department of Commerce announces.

Representatives from county civic. historic and patriotic groups and chambers of commerce will be presen, at the ceremonies.

In 1815 the bridge was erected in response to the public demand for better traveling facilities to accommodate the stage routes which were inaugurated more than a century ago. I was in 1808 that the "Experiment," first stage coach west from Harrisburg along the Juniata river, passed through the Mifflin county region. Three years later citizens of that county petitioned for

Old Arch Bridge, said to be the only one in the State constructed without the keystone, was a link in the early toll road from Harrisburg to Lewistown.

On the same day as the bridge dedication, a marker will be unveiled on the site of the Pennsylvania Canal toll house and Lock 16 on (Continued on page eight)

Baby Named For Railroad A baby girl born in a waiting room at Petersborough North Station,

# Random Items

ANCIENT TALE:

Joe Owens, of Bellefonte, R. D., is the new champion of the "I've Quit Smoking Club," and there's quite a tale connected with his quitting the use of the weed. He was playing baseball on the Owens homestead farm near Axe Mann when he broke his pipe. He finished the game examined the ruins of his pipe and neaved the pieces over a nearby building, with the declaration "I'm going to quit"! That happened 27 years ago.

#### TWO OTHERS:

Ted Halderman, employe of the Ti an Metal Company, quit smoking 12 years ago, and Ralph Owens, of the Owens Electric store, gave up the habit seven years ago.

#### COLUMNISTS:

Reliable reports have it that the current writer of "Ink Slings," column written for many years by George R. Meek in the old Democratic Watchman, is Julius Kaulfuss, of S ate College, a member of the Penn State engineering faculty Kauliuss is the "Julius" frequently referred to in "The Daily Half-Column," written by Dean A. R. Warnock, of Penn State. Other new columnists on the County horizon are J. H. Yeager, of Bellefonte, and Jerry Weinstein, of Sate College, authors of a pillar entitled "It Seems to Us

#### WAR AIMS:

This department gets a little impatient with those who demand that England s'ate its war aims. It is like stopping a street fight to ask the fighters what they expect to do and to prove by their battle. There is only one answer-to defeat the enemy. Anyone who looks for other reasons is looking for a fairy

#### PIN-BALL JITTERBUGS:

The United States is developing taprooms, hotels, stores, pool rooms, garages, clubs-anywhere there is a pin ball machine. The real pin-ball ianatic has a wild but determined look in his eye. His shoulders, neck, head, arms and body are apt to weave suddenly in peculiar motions either frontwards or to the right or left. These motions are the result of unconscious effort to influence by body shoves the course of little steel balls running down a sloping board dotted with bumpers, lights, p.ns, holes and other obstruc-tions. The pin-ball addict is not entirely a reasonable being. He will spend half the price of a good pair of shoes on the chance of winning five iree games. If and when he ing more than a couple of extra free games. Most addicts curse the machines but can't stay away from them. Skill has practically nothing to do with winning, and sooner or later the pin-ball player should wake up to find he's spent a lot of time and money and has won exactly nothing but a case of ambulating jitters. It is, however, lots of fun.

### COMFORT SUGGESTION:

Next time you have a disagreeable job 10 do, such as repairing a flat tire, cleaning the cellar or engaging in a fist fight, first put on a pair of cheap work gloves. You'll be surprised at how much easier the job seems and how much less disagreeable it is. Much of the com.ort so derived probably comes from the knowledge that you'll be spared an assortment of splinters, cu s, bruises, and abrasions of the

### WEATHER REPORT:

We predict a long and hot summer, which will be good news to those of us who thought last summer was entirely too short and below par as far as good old hot sum mer weather was concerned. Our prediction is not based on anything scientific, but we feel that it will be fairly accurate. houseflies have been seen practically every month of the past winter, and they aren't as groggy as they should be. (We're going to have an awful lot of flies to contend with this summer). Second: the martins returned to their summer homes in the wall spaces of the County Court House during the past weekend. You can't fool the Martins. They don't come north until Spring is here. Last year they didn't show up until late in April. For these reasons we feel safe in advising all of you to get your bathing suits out of mothballs early: lay in an extra supply of fishing tackle and picnic goods, and buy a double-duty gilt-edged, super- service fly swa ter.

### AVIATOR:

R. B. Davis, of Harrisburg, a factory representative of National-Park-O-Graf Company, Chicago, (Continued on page seven)

By POP MOMAND

#### born a few hours before he begins his right, reveals the sex of the first ional Baby Chick Association. his segregation, sorting the males chick. It is a method he learned under the old masters of the busi- skilled workers were much in de- counted and shipped to buyers or cockerels and the familes or pulness in his native Japan. lets, so that orders from poultry purchasers can be filled with accu-

bread, and sufficient of it too, by

Takata-who finds profitable em- gated.

kata's skill as follows:

Mr. Machmer's article reveals Ta- like this:

Two Clubs Cited For Violations

about him.

resident of Richfield, Snyder coun- placed empty cartons 'n receive

of the Selinsgrove T.mes tells of a chicks. To the right and left are to practice the trade.

Dick, nearly 28 years old, is a na- inverts and examines the one in his turned to this country.

Japan. He earns his daily left. If it is a cockerel, he places it Taka'a's Work is 98 P.

in the empty car on to his right; if

Named Under Charges

been doing housework and working Representatives of two Clinton in restaurants ever since, and no pear before an examiner of State Thursday morning in their "What did I do for fun? Well, I'd have dates and go to night clubs and drink beer. Sure the feliquor laws.

"I was back in Morgantown (W. One of the charges was against long auburn curls. Lipstick came Va,) working recently, but I had Charles F. and Walter L. Flexer, off in the bath, leaving long and to leave. A mine foreman wanted traces of the lad's five-year mas- when I get out of jail. I'm a good

Agents of the board also appeared against the Charlton Gun Club, Inc., Pine Creek Township, Clinton county, alleging sale of liquor to ing at the Philadelphia apartment Second Time, Is Back Home Again ling devices and permitting gambing; conducting a place where beer and liquor are sold unlawfully; admitting persons as members with- of the improvised lethal chamber, tilda character and erstwhile friend quist amateur programs and who of Major Bowes and Fred Waring, has appeared in stage tours with out written application, investigawas kidnapped for the second time Fred Waring and his famous ortion and ballot, etc. within a year Friday night, at Al- chestra. "Oscar" was in Robin-

Representatives of the Clinton Athletic Club, Lock Haven, were also before the examiner. The ci-Christopher Columbus Hall on tation among other things alleges Ninth avenue between 8 and 9 falure to fulfill the charter; maintaining gambling devices and permitting gambling on the premises; police found the car abandoned on not a bonafide club in that it is not operated for the mutual benefit of the entire membership, etc.

The Liberty Hose Company Shamokin, and I. R. Weidensaul and Emma Weidensaul, Lewisburg, were also directed to appear before the

### Cherry Blos oms in Bloom

The annual cherry blossom festival in Washington, D. C., will be itors from Centre county and thousands of persons from the eastern

## In Low Bidder

State Property and Supplies Secburg, was low base bidder at \$4,471 burg State Teachers College.

The bodies of a mother and son home at Morrisdale, near Philips-

The mother, 40-year-old Mrs. who are alleged to have engaged in Maude Helen Miller and her son, the business of distributing gamb- William Wesley Miller, were buried centage of the profits from their termoon, following the funeral ser- ciation, revealed, vices held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Little, West Decatur,

> bedroom. Breaking down the door out. and her son. Clad in pajamas, the in bed near her son.

Fifty feet of new rubber hose, connected with four smaller pieces which led to the gas jets of the four-

#### Fire Destroys Philipsburg Has Vacant Factory 2 Night Robberies

He takes a chick in each hand, accurate in his chosen work, he re- of from 700 to 1,200 enicks per hour.

When he arrived in the States, work.

Works is Prey of Destructive Element

county clubs were required to ap- who met death by suicide last Lycoming county, residents held for gaged in tracing two robberies which gas- resuming operations at the old occurred there Saturday night. Liquor Control Board last week on filled apartment at Philadelphia, Montgomery Table and Deck works citations alleging violations of the were brought to the Flegal funeral vanished last Wednesday night Albert Walton was walking all

> The company, planning employment of 100 persons, produces furniture and desired immediate access to the building, he explained.

interests to locate in the unused arettes were missing. Store managers

burner range, led into the bedroom serve its subserbers and is anxious where the windows had been seal- to assist you in presenting the news ed with adhesive tape and the door that your friends want about you neighbors seem to be slow in plantand your family. Send in the fems, ing spring gardens.

# Acme Store Entered,

Philipsburg police are busily en-

termine the exact loss until after an inventory. Entrance to the store was gained by breaking the glass

### 'KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES' - Eddie's No Half-Wit!!!







# They Didn't Feel Like Singing

"Oscar," it should be explained, "Oscar" is back home again,

Al McIntyre, graduate of Penn spent the night of the dance in a State College two years ago, who Florida hospital instead. He was one

About a year ago while appearing

Friday night he was

in Philipsburg, two girls carried

"taken for a ride" in his boss' auto-

mobile while decked out in full

him off.

recently landed a job with the East- of the 13 injured passengers of the ern Air Lines in Florida, had plan- plane which crashed in a desolate ned to attend the Interfraternity Everglades mangrove swamp, Asked Ball at the college last week, and how the passengers spent the six held April 12 and 13, according to started in style, expecting to reach hours between the crash and their word received in Bellefonte. This Philadelphia by plane and drive first sighting of a rescue plane, he festival attracts hundreds of visfrom there to State. However, he replied, "We didn't sing.

## Girl, 11, Mother of 7-Pound Baby

Alexander, Virginia's, little 11- 22-year-old state highway worker of year-old mother and her seven Fairfax, last summer, gave birth to retary Roger W. Rowland, has an-pound baby boy are reported by phy- the baby Sunday. nounced that B. O. Daubert, Lewispound baby boy are reported by phy- the baby Sunday.

siciens in the Alexandria hospital The girl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Stewart, of Blevan- on a contract for miscellaneous al-The child bride, Navy McCarter, town, Va., who consented to her terations and additions at Blooms-11, who married Donald McCarter, marriage.

# Mother And Son Suicide Victims

### Home at Morrisdale, Near Philipsburg

burg, Friday,

parents of Mrs. Miller,

Arriving early Thursday mornphoned that her son was missing. they found the bodies of Mrs. Miller youth was lying in bed. Mrs. Miller wearing a house coat, was lying Keystone Furniture Company build- told police that they could not de-

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# Clinton County Organizations Bodies Brought to Funeral Montgomery Table and Desk Woman's Purse Snatched And

The prospects that Montgomery,

when fire destroyed the building.

who had it under consideration at knitted bag contained about \$5. The police smelled gas coming from the time the disastrous fire broke second man wore a dark suit, With these negotiations "burned street, was broken into sometime out," the C. T. A. is engaged now in after employes left about 1 o'clock an effort to induce the New York Sunday morning. Quantities of cig-

The Centre Democrat strives to in one of the Front street doors.

ing in South Williamsport.

# Saturday

About 8:45 o'clock when Mrs J.

Spruce street in front of the Cili-A cash offer for the unoccupied zens' Water Co. office, a man in a building had been made by a New red and black hunting coat snatch-York firm just a few hours before ed the large knitted bag, containing the fire, C. E. Noyes, of the Wil- her purse, and ran down the alley, ling devices and receiving a per- at the nearby cemetery Sunday af- liamsport Community Trade Asso- Another man ran up to her and said, "I'll catch him." Mrs. Walton told police officers. Police believe the second man was an accomplice as he did not come back.

Police were notified immediately and an extensive hunt was launch-Its offer had been relayed to the ed but no traces were found of the non-members; maintaining gamb- from which Mrs. Miller had tele- owners of the Montgomery factory two men. The silk purse inside the

The Acme Market, on North Front

We are beginning to worry; our

England, has been christened Eleanor-L. N. E. R. (London North Eastern Railway) The name was the happy thought of the Stationwho was helpful at her