

POLITICAL ERROR

Here's a hard one to match. John Traczinski, a grocer, and his opponent, Ben Rosenberg, both hit on the same idea of having matchbook folders advertise their candidacy for city council. They ordered the folders from the same salesman and when Traczinski's 20,000 folders arrived, he lost no time in distributing them. On the outside cover appeared his name and appeal for election. Later he opened one of the matchbooks and to his horror read: "Vote the man, not the name." Below was the picture of Rosenberg. Rosenberg cancelled his order as soon as the mix-up was discovered, and Traczinski is trying to gather up the faulty matchbooks.

THERE IT WAS

Eugene Lederer of State College may know the secret of moving his car by remote control, but he isn't telling how it is done. Last week one day he parked his car a quarter of a block from the boarding house where he was going. Coming out of the hall the astonished Mr. Lederer found his car all set for him in front of the building. The car, parked on a slight slope, had coasted luckily, missing other cars parked along the same side of the street.

CAUGHT THE CASH

Eddie, young son of Rev. and Mrs. Charles W. Maclay of Philadelphia, didn't catch any bass while the family vacationed for two weeks at Hillside Cabins, at Pine Creek, but he was successful in pulling a pocketbook from the briny deep. It contained \$1.50 and a lot of Boy Scout cards. Eddie hunted up the owner, a boy from the boarding house, and returned the cash.

EXTRACTOR

Answering a knock on the door of a dentist office in Philadelphia, Technician Henry Pettit invited inside a man who held a handkerchief over his jaw and complained of a toothache. The visitor soon lost his merriness, however. Drawing a pistol, he tied and gagged Pettit with towels, took \$15 from a cash drawer and fled.

POCKET NEST

Henry Risius, of Peoria, Ill., lost his trousers to a wren. The bird started building a nest in the right back pocket while the trousers were drying on a clothesline and Henry didn't have the heart to disturb her.

CYCLIST INJURED IN COLLISION WITH CAR

A motorcycle operated by Nick Voyniak, Snow Shoe, and a car driven by Andy J. Bolton, Jr., Clarion, collided on the road one mile east of Snow Shoe last Wednesday afternoon. Voyniak suffered lacerations and abrasions of the arms, legs and face and was treated at the office of a Snow Shoe physician.

Child's Throat Paralyzed

One of the cases of infantile paralysis at the Geisinger Memorial Hospital, Danville, is very unusual. Six-year-old Ronald J. Jeffrey, of Mount Carmel, is affected by the disease only in the throat, whereas usually the arms and legs are affected first. Unable to swallow, he receives nourishment through a tube inserted down his throat.

Let us bear in the mind the prediction that when nations speed up production for war they must face the necessity of suffering a reaction for higher standards of living when peace arrives.

Predict Marriage for Governor

Although Gov. Arthur H. James and Mrs. Emily Radcliffe Case, of Doylestown, former house-mother at a Cornell University sorority, laughed and sidestepped all questions, close friends of the couple are convinced that they will be married soon. One intimate acquaintance said he expected them to be wed within ten days at Doylestown, where Mrs. Case—a tall, slender and comely brunette of about 45—and Governor James are house guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Charles A. Rowe. The Governor is 57. Blushing, Mrs. Case said "no," hesitantly, when asked if she and

Police Probe Injury of Juniata Girl, Reported to Have Fallen From Auto

Said to Have Been Brought Home by Unnamed Persons and Put to Bed; In Serious Condition with Possible Skull Fracture

Grace Thompson, 22, of Juniata, is still described in serious condition at the Altoona Hospital with a possible skull fracture and other injuries suffered Saturday night under circumstances that city police are now probing.

Police who launched an investigation into the circumstances surrounding her injuries, learned that she had been brought home by unnamed persons and put to bed while her mother was absent from the home. Her torn-clothing body was wrapped in a blanket.

Miss Thompson's body was reported smeared with grease, in addition to bearing multiple brush burns and scalp laceration.

It was disclosed that she had been given medical attention Saturday night, later her mother came home and called a physician. An ambulance was summoned Sunday afternoon when her condition was observed as serious, and she was taken to the hospital.

Police reported her semi-conscious condition made it difficult to obtain her version of what had happened. Several men reported with her Saturday night were said to have been questioned with the replies that she fell from an automobile near Gallatin while enroute to Altoona.

Conductor Found Dead In Cabin

Native of Centre County Dies of Heart Attack at East Altoona

Daniel J. Heaton, well known freight conductor on the Pittsburgh division, was found dead last Wednesday morning in his cabin in the East Altoona yard, by members of the crew. A heart attack was believed to have caused his death.

Mr. Heaton had come east Tuesday night with a train and following its delivery in the yard he went to his cabin.

Born in Milesburg, Centre County, April 19, 1879, Mr. Heaton entered the service of the P. R. R. at Altoona as a brakeman September 11, 1907. Later he was transferred to the Pittsburgh division and some years ago became a conductor. For the past several years he had been a resident of Pitsburgh.

Members of the family include his wife, the children Mrs. Esther Murray, Mrs. Helen Collins, and Louis all of Pitsburgh; Edward stationed in Hawaii with the army; Blair, Sarah and Ruth, all at home. Two brothers and one sister also survive. Edward and Jacob and Mrs. Jerry Conter all of Bellefonte, and five grandchildren.

Mr. Heaton was a member of the First Reformed church of Pitsburgh, the United Lodge B. of R. T. No. 174, of Altoona, and the Altoona acie of Eagles.

The body was taken to the home in Pitsburgh, and on Saturday returned to Altoona for services and interment.

2 Hurt In Crash Near Osceola

Powellton Resident Said to Face Charge of Driving on Left Side

William Flick, Powellton, faces a charge of driving on the left side of the highway, state motor police said after they investigated an accident in which two persons were injured Sunday night three miles south of Osceola Mills.

Motor police said cars operated by Flick and Elmer C. Sharpless, Sandy Ridge, approaching in opposite directions, crashed after Flick's car allegedly crossed over the center line of the highway.

Francis Sharpless, 12, and Mrs. Margaret Sharpless, were injured in the accident. The youngster received a lacerated chin while Mrs. Sharpless received bruises of the chest and left leg.

Good times at school may be recorded for all time with a camera.

Boy Displays Unusual Bravery

When the left arm of 7-year-old Lawrence Neidigh was drawn into the mechanism of a tractor, near Sunbury, as the sleeve of his jacket caught in a gear shift, the arm was so badly crushed that amputation above the elbow was necessitated. Physicians said that he was one of the bravest patients they had ever seen, and his first comment was "I'm sorry I won't be able to go to school when the new term opens, but I'm glad it wasn't my right arm. I'll be able to write and do other things."

Presence of Bear Frightens Horses

When his team of horses started suddenly to snort and rear, Carter Bache, of Mishingcreek Township, near Bloomsburg, had difficulty calming them down. Then he investigated to discover what had frightened them, and noticed tracks of a large bear. Evidently the horses spied the bear, which he had failed to see.

Farmer Falls Dead

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All In Step



SPORTSMEN TO HOLD PICNIC

The Southern Clinton County Sportsmen's Association is sponsoring a sportsmen's picnic and festival at the Lamar Fish Hatchery grounds on Labor Day, September 1st.

The principal events will be as follows: Pistol shoot; 22 regulation shoot; 22 trap shoot; blue rock shoot; moving deer shoot; obstacle trap shoot; 22 disc shoot; fly casting and racoon chase. All events are open in special shoots for women and boys.

Other events will be horse shoe, quoits, archery, swimming, soft ball games and many others for young and old.

There will be band concerts afternoon and evening by the Sugar Valley Vocational School band.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. De Forest of the Federal Cartridge Co. and Boyd Ingram of the Marlin Arms Co. all three expert blue rock shooters, will be with us that day.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Girl Athlete Injured

Louise Wenner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wenner, near Bloomsburg, will have to take things easy for a time. The girl, who is a tumbling star, sustained a fracture of the collar bone while "turning cart wheels" on the lawn of her home.

Teacher Has a Right to Act as He Did

In Indiana, several years ago, a teacher had punished in subordinate conduct on the part of a 16 year old pupil by striking him with a switch—leaving marks on his legs. The teacher, who was only 18 years old herself, was arrested and convicted for assault and battery. The conviction was reversed by a higher court which upheld the right of a teacher to inflict reasonable punishment on a pupil.

Teachers—Has a teacher the right to punish a child by hitting him?

That is a question which has often come before the courts. And the judges have generally ruled that a schoolmaster has the right to require obedience from Johnny—and if he doesn't obey, to punish him... One recent case arose in Chicago, when a teacher punished an overgrown 15 year old boy for misbehavior by striking him across the thighs with a paper tube. The boy sued the teacher for damages, but the court said that as long as the punishment was not excessive, and was not motivated by malice, the

Assistance In County Lower

Marked Decrease Shown in General Assistance Cases

The number of cases receiving assistance in Centre county has shown a marked decrease in the past ten months according to an announcement made by Thomas C. Williams, Executive Director of the Centre County Board of Assistance.

The high point in the caseload during this period was reached on April 25, 1941, when 751 Old Age Assistance, 67 Pension for the Blind, 252 Aid to Dependent Children and 465 General Assistance cases, or a total of 1495 cases were on assistance.

The low point to date was reached August 15, 1941 when the caseload contained 726 Old Age Assistance, 65 Pension for the Blind, 334 Aid to Dependent Children and 314 General Assistance cases, or a total of 1439 cases on assistance.

The greatest decrease is noted in the General Assistance cases which has dropped from 465 to 341. The employables on assistance are carried in this category and the decline is indicated in increased employment opportunities in the county and in areas where the defense program is in effect. At the present time 143 are classified as employable and 198 General Assistance cases are classed as unemployable because of physical or mental handicaps.

The number of applications for assistance in the same period has shown a comparable decline with the low point of 22 applicants for week ending August 15, 1941. The WPA reduction in Centre county had little effect on the caseload or applications which indicated the increase in employment opportunities.

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Camper at Black Moshannon Park Tells of Son's Narrow Escape from Falling Meteor

Heard Missile Descending Like Swarm of Bees and Land Exactly Four Feet From Where Son Was Sleeping In Tent

Last month The Centre Democrat published the story of a meteorite falling at Black Moshannon Park which narrowly escaped hitting the tent where Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Reed and their son, of Philadelphia, were camping. In last Sunday's Philadelphia Inquirer, Mr. Reed describes his experience on the momentous morning when he heard the missile descending close by his side. Mr. Reed's article follows:

"Although it has been estimated that more than 20,000,000 meteorites have fallen to earth in a single day, it is one of the rarest of human experiences to be present when one lands, whirling down through the air to shake the ground with the crash of its impact.

"Such, however, was the awe-inspiring experience of myself and family during the early hours of Thursday, July 10 of this year. On our annual vacation my wife, my 12-year-old son Robert, and I were camping out in Black Moshannon State Park, Centre county, 22 miles by road from Philadelphia.

"Shortly after 6 a. m. I stepped out of the tent to see what the weather would be like for the day. As I stood there, looking over the lake, I heard a strange, whirring noise as if a million bumble bees suddenly had been disturbed. In mere seconds the noise increased in intensity, suddenly ending with a dull thud behind me that shook the platform and tent. This was followed by the fluttering of leaves and twigs floating down from an oak tree.

"Mrs. Reed, awakened from her sleep, called out: "What in the world was that?" "I don't know," I said, "maybe someone is blasting. It sounds like a rock falling."

Solving a Mystery

"But there had been no explosion. This increased our curiosity, and I went to the back of the tent where the twigs from the oak lay, freshly broken, upon the ground. There I noticed a hole at the base of the tree, and I dug out an ironlike (Continued on Page Three)

Lamar Man Held After Liquor Raid

According to Agents, 24 Gallons of Beer and Bar Equipment Confiscated

Charles Farrington, of Lamar, spent four hours in the county jail at Lock Haven Sunday morning after a raid at his residence conducted by Control Agents and held him for violation of state liquor laws.

Released with him at 4 a. m. Sunday were Harry Augst and Paul Guinzar, both of Avis, charged with drunk and disorderly conduct by agents who conducted the raid. The men were said by agents to have been among the group of over 20 at the establishment when the drive was conducted.

All were placed in the Clinton county jail after the raid, being released Sunday morning when they furnished bail, Farrington \$500, and \$100 each for the other two.

Officers said they confiscated a quantity of bottled beer, loose and in cases, and two half barrels of beer at the scene, along with two coil boxes and taps for a bar and a quantity of whiskey.

The enforcement officers from Altoona and Williamsport were assisted by Constable David L. Probst of Lock Haven. They took a truck along with them to bring back the confiscated goods which are stored at the jail.

Farrington is charged specifically with selling alcoholic beverages without a license. Augst and Guinzar were among a group of about twenty men and women on the premises.

Escape Thwarted At Blair Co. Jail

Pair Charged With Series of Thefts, Planned Bold Get-Away

The adventurous pair of youths who made a heavy haul in burglarizing an Allegheny Furnace home August 1 after a near 300-mile wake of thefts from Philadelphia, were thwarted Sunday in a try at breaking Blair county prison, Holidaysburg, where they are now awaiting court trial.

The one, John H. Ward, 18, of Atlanta, Ga., managed an almost miraculous escape from city prison August 10, before commonwealth charges were filed, but was captured later in the day at Blairville.

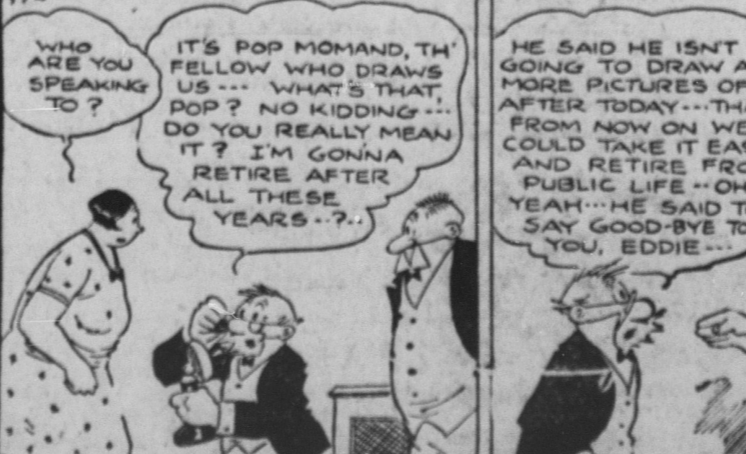
Both Ward and his confederate in crime, Bailey Thomas Stewart, 24, of Haverford, Pa., tried hiding themselves in the boiler room building within the prison yard Sunday, after their forenoon recreational period, but Warden Henry H. DeLozier and a deputy found them in the building after they were missed at the close of the prisoners' two-hour exercise period.

The warden said they were discovered hiding behind soap barrels after gaining entry to the locked building by climbing to the roof and forcing a window. It was learned the pair had thrown a 10-foot length of cloth over a wall at the prison as a later means of escape.

What Bellefonte needs is more thorough development of its young people—and we don't care how it comes about.

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'KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES' — Well, of All Things!



By POP MOMAND



ORDERLY FIREMEN:

Never having had any knowledge of firemen's conventions except for the tales we heard from other towns, this corner felt that if the Statute of Governor Curtin on the Diamond remained intact by Saturday night, the 49th annual convention of the Central District Firemen here would be somewhat less wild than we expected. The week passed and what do we hear? Businessmen and nice old ladies alike remarking about what a nice lot of orderly gentlemen the Central District Firemen are. Bar tenders in Bellefonte's rougher spots grinned and declared that not a salt shaker or ash tray was stolen; not a bottle or chair was willfully broken. The worst report we heard was from a beer garden proprietor who declared that on Wednesday night, the eve of the "Big Day" of the convention, he found it necessary to speak to one man who was a little more noisy than he should have been. "He calmed right down," the tavern keeper said.

NOT THAT NICE:

Seriously, the firemen were not that meek, but taken all in all, they had a lot of fun without tearing the town apart. We think their behavior is significant. For the past several years firemen have been going to school to learn how to fight fires properly, to prevent damage from smoke and water, to save property, to save life, to aid those in distress no matter what the emergency. We believe firemen here last week were exhibiting, unconsciously perhaps, the lessons they have learned. We believe that, even when they are playing, they realize that their chosen avocation is to render aid to others, to prevent loss and misery, and to look after the well being of their fellowman. Because firemen here last week didn't prankishly steal everything that was loose, because they didn't break up everything breakable, is no sign that they are becoming soft. It is a sign that firemen are carrying into their private lives, on duty and off, a new realization of the important part they play in the life of present-day communities. We feel that were speaking for most Bellefonte people when we say that Bellefonte has a new and a much deeper appreciation of volunteer firemen because of their behavior at the convention. They're welcome, anytime.

TAIL LIGHTS:

Did you ever realize that one of the important functions of the tail light on your car is to illuminate the license tag? But stand along a highway any night, and if you can read the license of one out of ten cars that pass, you're better than we are. The lights just don't illuminate the tags.

WORRIED:

This corner is worried over the school project, and we're not the only one. The building is practically complete, insofar as foundations go, but structural steel is necessary before operations can proceed much further. We're in favor of a committee to Washington, if necessary, to obtain necessary priorities on steel. After all, the construction of a school is not a commercial enterprise. It isn't like erecting an office building or apartment house which nets a monetary return to investors. A school is an investment in the future of the nation, and as such it seems that the project here deserves some priority consideration.

LUTHERANS:

The good brethren of St. John's Lutheran church are having quite a time of it with the plot of ground between the sidewalk and curb on the Allegheny Street side of the church property. Time and again the congregation has gathered and planted the tract in grass. The grass begins to grow and along comes a heavy rain which washes away fill, grass and all. The sewer nearby has been revamped time and again, but there's just too much water to be carried away. Maybe they'll have to give up the grass idea and fill the plot with concrete.

GRANGE WEATHER:

No matter what kind of weather we've been having before Grange week, it always gets worse just after the Patron's Husbandry pitch their tents at Centre Hall, and it always gets better as soon as the Grangers return home hoping against hope that next year the weather man will give them a break.

GRIM REVIEW:

The phantom purse snatcher who has been active in Bellefonte, Howard, State College and perhaps Lock Haven since last December, is no longer a joke. A review of his attacks reveals that they are getting worse, progressively. The last three victims have been sent to hospitals.

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