

Odd and CURIOUS in the NEWS

DEER ON A JAG John Gabel, of Narrowsburg, N. Y., found a buck lying beside the highway...

TEETH STOP TRAIN When John Clark, New York Central Railroad brakeman sneezed, his upper plate went out the window...

LOSES TRAIN Realizing he was making awfully good time an engineer traveling through Sildes, Tex. as looked back and discovered the reason—a cow had tumbled under the train...

DIES OF GRIEF A few hours after attending a friend's funeral, Orris Noble Byers, 68, of Webster, Westmoreland county, died of heart disease last Monday...

PAINLESS ROBBERY An evidently experienced burglar held up Dr. William Steinberg, dentist of New York, in his office, saying, "This won't hurt a bit..."

HELPLESS! Bedridden and helpless, A. B. Kessey, of Forest City, Ia., lived for three days with the body of his dead wife before neighbors discovered the situation.

Former Resident of Snow Shoe Shot and Killed While Hunting in New York State

Elmira Police Officials Believe That the Person Who Fired the Fatal Shot Ran Away to Avoid Detection and Arrest

Shot by another hunter an hour after the New York State deer season opened at 7 a. m. Monday of last week, Thomas J. Dixon, 33, of Elmira, N. Y., former well known resident of Snow Shoe, this county, died at 1:15 p. m. the same day in St. Joseph's Hospital, Elmira.

The solid lead slug, fired from a shotgun, entered the right side of Dixon's chest and passed through his body and out the left side of his hunting coat, carrying parts of bone and tissue.

The mishap happened in a field on which was scattered growth of pine trees, and the shot is believed to have been fired at comparatively close range, although there were no powder marks on the man's clothing.

Officials said that it would have been impossible for the slug to have come from Dixon's gun accidentally. The wounded man was found by Clifford Richmond, of Elmira, who was hunting in the area but was not a member of Dixon's party.

Although weakened by loss of blood, Dixon did not lose consciousness and remained lucid until placed under an anesthetic at the hospital. He said he had been shot about ten minutes before Richmond located him but was unable to say who fired the shot.

Dixon had been hunting with his brother-in-law, Milford Whiteman, also of Elmira, who said he was on watch about three-quarters of a mile from the point where Dixon was still-hunting at the time he was shot.

Whiteman did not learn of the accident until about 11 a. m. when he met police who were searching the area for clues. Richmond said he heard feeble calls but had some difficulty in determining which direction they came from. In response to his shouts, he

Charles Stewart Vail, 27, who entered a plea of guilty to fraudulent sales of coal in Altoona, was sentenced by Judge Patterson at a special session of Blair county court, Monday, to serve 18 months to three years in the Allegheny county workhouse, pay a fine of \$250 and costs of prosecution, and make restitution to his victims.

Vail admitted to fraudulent use of the Altoona city seal, and also forgery and larceny of a book of coal weigh-bills.

The defendant was implicated in the case, which also involved William David Krause and John M. Mastyn. The latter two defendants were sentenced to jail for one to two years and to pay fines of \$250 each and the costs of prosecution, when before the court last September 29.

Vail was directed to make restitution to the man he defrauded. He frankly told of giving the coal purchaser a certified weighbill, designating 18 tons of coal when only 14 were actually placed in the home.

The Miracle Month of December



COUNTY'S LOW INDEBTEDNESS

Centre county not only has low indebtedness but pays the second lowest interest rate of all counties in its class in Pennsylvania. It was disclosed today from the Department of Public Affairs.

Skid Into Stream

One person narrowly escaped drowning, and four others were injured, when the car in which they were riding skidded through a wooden bridge and overturned into a small stream along the Orangeville-Berwick road.

SO--THAT'S THE LAW

The New Order--In Berlin, a man has been sentenced to prison for two and a half years for showing a lack of interest in an official German news broadcast.

Man Burned As Gasoline Ignites

Denton A. Wood, 33, of Richmond Furnace, Huntingdon county, was seriously burned one night last week in Hollidaysburg by an explosion of gasoline fumes in a truck when he lighted a cigaret.

Blanchard Trio Held For Theft

A series of thefts of auto parts may be solved through the arrest of a Blanchard man, his son, and a young woman.

To Dedicate New Greenburr Church

The new Evangelical church building at Greenburr, Clinton county, is nearing completion. The windows have been placed, and the carpenter work under the supervision of Milford Garrett of Rebersburg, is just about done.

22 Townships to Share State Aid

Announcement was made Friday of approval of state-wide payments to 22 townships in Centre county for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges.

Victim Enveloped by Flames as He Lights Cigaret in Truck Cab

Wood and a fellow lineman, Fred Peigh of Crescon, pulled into the gas station at Penn and Allegheny streets shortly after 9 o'clock for a cigarette while in the cab, but he failed to heed it and the explosion followed.

Bear Robs Hunter of Lunch

A group of 32 men from Watson-town and White Deer who were hunting last week near Hyner, Clinton county, came home with an unusual hunting story--but they missed their bear. They went to the hunting ground at 3 o'clock in the morning and left Ned Youcum, bet-

Bandits Kidnap 2 Young Altoona Autoists and Flee With Stolen Automobile

Pick Up Ride, Then Seize Car With Driver and Companion; Escape in Another After Forcing Occupants Out

Search is continuing in the western part of the state for two bandits who kidnaped two Altoona autoists Wednesday night of last week, returned one his car but fled in the second machine.

The drivers of the cars involved, Pat Hallinan, 19, and Roman Miller, 17, told police that the men, both of whom they said held them up, were headed for Pittsburgh.

Hallinan and his sister-in-law Mrs. John E. Hallinan, 23, also of Altoona, were at a service station at Twentieth avenue and Eighteenth street, where Hallinan works, putting air in his brother's car.

Two men there persuaded him to drive them to Hollidaysburg where they wanted to "hit" a ride to Pittsburgh. Hallinan said. On route 22, between Hollidaysburg and Duncansville, the thugs ordered Hallinan and his sister-in-law to get in the back seat of the auto, but Mrs. Hallinan fled to a nearby service station where she phoned state motor police at Ant Hill.

Hallinan stayed in the car and he told police the pair drove about a quarter of a mile beyond Horseshoe Curve after taking a route through Altoona. At that point Hallinan was advised to stay in the car and let the lights out while the men approached another car parked along the road.

Hallinan, however, switched on the lights in time to note the license number. Miller, driver of the second car and a young woman companion, were forced from the auto only after Miller was robbed of \$1.75. Miller and the young woman walked part of the way back toward Altoona and then obtained a ride.

Miller's car and the two footpads were still at large, the state police reported. The car bears registration numbers 6Y686.

Both Miller and Hallinan said that although the men both pushed out their coat pockets as though brandishing concealed guns, they believed them to be faking. Hallinan remarked that they "just thought they were tough." He told police that both men had a bottle and were under the influence of liquor.

Descriptions of the hostages furnished by the robbers were: one was about six feet, the other a few inches shorter, while the taller man wore a moustache. Both were attired in brown coats and slouch hats.

Efforts of the companies were confined largely to preventing spread of the fire to other buildings, since the blaze had obtained too great headway to extinguish.

All crops, including those of an adjoining barn stove there, were destroyed, as were all livestock, five horses, four milk cows, seven young cows, together with the farm machinery.

Two fire companies arrived from Tyrone, but did not go into service.

Motorcycle Rider Instantly Killed

Blair County Youth Meets Death as Machine Strikes Mail Box Posts

Willis Donald Mulhollen, a 20-year-old silk mill shipping clerk of Greenwood, Blair county, was killed instantly Wednesday night when he was apparently hurled from his machine on route 220, about a quarter of a mile north of the Bellwood intersection.

The youth was found lying on the three-lane highway, about 100 yards north of Watts' produce farm. Nearly 285 feet away, off the highway, was his motorcycle, the front end slightly damaged after it had knocked down two mail box posts on the western side of the road.

Police said they knew of no witnesses to the fatality and could not explain the cause for the crash.

The victim is the son of Millard F. Mulhollen, a P. R. R. conductor in the Altoona yards.

Neighbor Returns 'Borrowed' Money

A repentant thief has been reported for December 7, with services in the morning, afternoon and evening of that day. District Superintendent N. L. Hummel of Williamsport, will be the main speaker.

Writes President About Pardon if He Registers

Rev. Allen Clay Lambert, Blair county minister, under sentence of a year and a day on a government charge of violation of the draft act, has written President Roosevelt asking if he would receive a complete pardon, with payment of costs by the government in case he registers according to provisions of the selective service law.

Youth Hurt by Tree

R. D. 3, is a patient in the Mary M. Packer Hospital, with his hip broken. He was injured while working with a group of lumbermen near Beavertown, when a large tree the men were chopping toppled and fell, striking his hip.

Advertisement for Bigelow Fervak Rug, featuring an illustration of a living room and a list of rug sizes and prices.

PETER PUBLIC cartoon strip with several panels showing humorous scenarios involving a man and a bear.

Random Items advertisement for a calendar.

CALENDAR advertisement for a prominent place in the rounds.

CORNERSTONE advertisement for a Masonic fraternity laying ceremony.

JUST LIKE THAT advertisement for a young nephew, Malcolm Wetzler, Jr.

PRISON NOTE advertisement for the Rockview branch of the Western State Penitentiary.

ARMY NOTE advertisement for Cecil A. Walker, who in years past has doubled for Santa Claus.

EDUCATOR DIES advertisement for the death of Arthur H. Sloop.

C. Y. WAGNER & COMPANY advertisement for quality flour.

WAGNER'S Quality Flour advertisement listing various flour products and prices.