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## TRAILING ARBUTUS.

The mild weather for the past few weeks has had the effect of causing trailing arbutus to appear quite thrifty in the mountain districts around this section. The fragrant flower is in some places already budding, and in places appear in blossoms. People who have been in the woods and observed these conditions in arbutus say that not in years was this flower so far advanced at this time of year. This and the general appearance of life on the mountains would seem to indicate that the covering of ice and snow during this severe winter rather gave that touch to nature that is required.

## SIGNS OF SPRING.

Corner statuary is out in full force. Dandelion will be along in a week or two.

Shad are offered for sale by the fish dealers.

The sassafras bark vendors are making their rounds.

All the grocery stores are displaying garden seeds and onion sets, and garden making has commenced.

All that is needed yet to make springs' advent complete is the hurdy-gurdy or organ grinder.

The mild temperature of the past few weeks has caused the sap in the trees to run and on some early varieties the buds are ready to burst.

People cannot help growing old. Youth, manhood, old age are the successive steps in life. But it rests with the individual to decide the kind of old age he will have. Some people get crusty, crabbed and cynical as old age creeps upon them. That is all wrong. Old age should be marked by meekness of disposition, a giving forth of the richness of experience, and by keeping in sympathetic touch with the present. Such age is in reality a continued youth, and when at last the end comes it is like a glorious summer sunset.—Indiana Progress.

Hah! We need not hold our breath any longer; there will be no strike among the coal miners.

Are you ready for Arbor Day, April 8? Don't forget about those trees you promised to plant.

The public roads, in this locality, are exceptionally good at this time of the year. No need for State roads when the highways are in such fine condition. Automobiles can be run almost anywhere, except for the dust, and that is not nearly so bad as in the summer time.

The buds on the trees are opening in fine shape. Some trees are looking quite green, and the prospects for a large crop of fruit are good. However, many doubters are predicting a freeze later on, but we prefer to wait until that time, and then talk about that side of the question.

It is a long time since we experienced such remarkably fine weather in March. Already many are making garden, in this locality, which is a very unusual thing at this time. Much plowing has been done and the usual spring activity, which comes mostly the latter part of April, is in progress. House cleaning has commenced, which includes painting and paperhanging. Those engaged in these pursuits are quite busy. A prosperous year has been predicted, and with an early start, everything ought to move along very smoothly.

The Pennsylvania Railroad promotes peace and harmony in the labor world by dividing the proceeds of prosperity with its employes, all who get less

than \$3,600 a year receiving about 6 per cent advance. A bulletin just issued by the Federal Bureau of Labor indicates that the pay of railroad men generally has fully kept pace with the increased cost of food; other elements of the cost of living are not included in the comparison. This table shows that in 1909 food prices were 25.3 per cent higher than in 1892; the wages of enginemen had advanced 21.2 per cent; of conductors, 22.4 per cent; of firemen, 29 per cent, and of trainmen, 37.6 per cent.—Philadelphia Record.

## Recent Deaths

### Austin Shope.

Austin Shope, a highly respected citizen of Snow Shoe, died at the Bellefonte hospital on Tuesday, March 29. He was taken to the hospital on Friday in a very serious condition and rapidly grew worse until he was past all medical aid and died at the above named date. Pneumonia was the principal cause of his death. Deceased was aged about 55 years, and for the past twenty years had worked for the P. R. R. at Snow Shoe. His wife preceded him to the grave some years ago, leaving the following children to survive: William, Roland, Daniel and Mary. Funeral services were held on Thursday, conducted by Rev. R. F. Ruch, interment was made in the Askey cemetery.

### JOHN M. TROXELL.

Former Treasurer and Well Known Lumberman of Clearfield County. John M. Troxell, ex-Treasurer of Clearfield county, died at his home in Clearfield on Monday afternoon, after an illness of several months, aged about 63 years. He had for years been engaged in the lumber business. He is survived by his wife and three children. His funeral took place in Glasgow.

### MAJOR ROLAND C. CHEESMAN. Well Known and Esteemed Former Resident of Bellefonte Dead.

Major Roland Curtin Cheesman died at his home in Washington, D. C., on Friday night of last week, March 25, following a lingering illness during most of the winter, though the direct cause of his death was apoplexy.

Deceased was born and lived all his younger life at Curtin's old rolling mill, at Curtin, Centre county, being employed there until the opening of the Civil War. His father, Thomas Cheesman, was a life-long resident of the same place and was employed in the old mill. No better or more conscientious man than he ever lived. On April 19, 1861, Roland, in company with General John I. Curtin, enlisted with Captain John D. Mitchell and Lieutenant James A. Beaver in the old Bellefonte Pencibles, and was sent to Camp Curtin ready for service. The Company was attached to the Second Regiment. At the close of the three months' service John I. Curtin began raising a company for the three years' service. Roland joined it as a private. It was the first company in the Forty-fifth Pennsylvania Volunteers. The first year he was made a Sergeant, and soon became a Second Lieutenant.

In 1863 he was made Captain of Company F of the same regiment; was wounded at Blue Springs, Tenn., October 10, 1863, and was again wounded June 18, 1864, at the capture of a fort in front of Petersburg, and again at Peebles Farm, Va., September 30, 1864, where he was captured but soon returned to our lines. He was again wounded in the very last battle in which the regiment was engaged at Petersburg, April 2, 1865, where he lost his leg, and at that date was made Major, by brevet, and mustered out with the regiment, July 17, 1865.

When Governor Curtin was elected to Congress he had him appointed as clerk in the Pension office, where he remained for about twenty-nine years, then was transferred to the Document room at the Capitol, and a short time ago given his old position in the Pension office.

After the war he came to Bellefonte and lived here until about 1880. Just before the close of the war he married Miss Lida Hillibush, of Bellefonte, who with two daughters, both married, and one son, James, all living in Washington, are left to mourn an affectionate husband and father.

He was an excellent citizen and a most gallant soldier. He was about seventy years of age at the time of his death. He was buried in the National cemetery at Arlington, Va., Monday, March 28, 1910.—Keystone Gazette.

# PENNSYLVANIA

## Interesting Items from All Sections of the Keystone State.

### SAYS CLAIM IS FALLACY

Answer Is Made by Court to Demands for Temperance Advocates.

Butler—Judge James M. Galbreath handed down decisions in license court applications, heard March 1, granting 24 retail, one brewery and two distillery licenses, and refusing five retail applicants. In an opinion he handed down Judge Galbreath replied to drastic criticism of temperance advocates who asked that all licenses be refused. The court cited supreme court decisions on the "judicial discretion" but not "arbitrary power" conferred by the Brooks law.

Judge Galbreath says: "It has been thought by some that the Brooks law added strength to the position of those who oppose licenses, but we are well convinced that it introduced into our license system an element of weakness viewed from the standpoint of those who oppose licenses.

Judge Galbreath holds the claim that the court may refuse all licenses under the law is a fallacy.

### POLICEMAN ARRESTS SON

Comes on Two Boys Looting Warehouse at Lancaster.

Lancaster—When the police entered Benjamin Mowrey's cigar warehouse at night discovering thieves at work, they made a search and captured Walter Gilgore and Edward Smith, each 17 years old.

The former proved to be the son of one of the policemen making the arrest, John Gilgore, who was nearly heartbroken over the discovery. The prisoner confessed to robbing Mentzer and Hollinger's and Zeigler Brothers' warehouse before entering Mowrey's.

### MINERS PLAN FOR FIGHT

No Coal to Be Mined for Shipment Until Scale Is Settled.

Dubois—The second day of the miners' convention of District No. 2 was featured by an address by President E. E. Greenwalt of the State Federation of Labor, who asked for action that would unite the miners with the State Federation.

Recommendations were adopted to govern the miners during the suspension that may occur before the wage question is settled. No coal is to be mined for shipping purposes, and only engines coaling at tipples are to be supplied. The operators must pay the rate fixed by the convention.

### Irwin Miners Get Raise.

Irwin—The Westmoreland Coal Company, Penn Gas and Coal Company, United Coal Company, Ocean Coal Company and Skelly Coal Company, all operating in the Irwin field, granted a wage increase of 5 55-100 per cent on pit mining, and on other work at the same proportion. This raise will go into effect April 1. The advance affects 5,000.

### Turn Away 100 Students.

Slippery Rock—Lack of dormitory room and living quarters in the town has compelled the faculty of Slippery Rock State Normal school to turn away at least 100 young women students this term. Plans are under way for the erection of a dining hall and the conversion of the present dining hall into a dormitory for next year.

### Engine Repaired; Plant Resumes.

Sharon—After an idleness of two weeks caused by the breaking of the main shaft connecting with the engine, the Bray sheet mill of the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company resumed operations, affecting 200 men.

### Rev. J. H. Whiteman's Farewell.

Blairstown—Rev. J. H. Whiteman, pastor of the Free Methodist church of Blairstown, delivered his farewell sermon Sunday. He will be editor of "The Free Methodist," published in Chicago.

### Family at Church; House Takes Fire.

Sharon—While Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Gates were attending Easter services at the Central Christian church, fire broke out at their home and burned the roof off, causing a loss of \$1,000.

### Washington—A field fire which swept 100 acres of ground caused \$1,500 damage near Aleppo. The heavy loser is the South Penn Oil Company, an oil derrick being burned. Much fencing was destroyed.

### Engineer's Widow Gets \$5,000.

Sharon—For the death of Constable W. C. Hallis, who was killed in the wreck of a Pennsylvania passenger train at Rock Point several weeks ago the company has paid the widow \$5,000.

### Aged Widow Dies from Grief.

Altoona—Following the funeral of her husband, Charles Wissinger, a week ago, Mrs. Emma Wissinger, aged 65, died of grief.

High wind and absence of rain here resulted in many brush fires in the country districts of Beaver county, causing hundreds of dollars' damage to farm buildings and fences.

### GOOD WHEAT CROP

Officials Say Output Will Exceed That of Last Year.

Harrisburg—"Pennsylvania farmers sowed probably 100,000 acres more than usual in wheat last year and the winter was distinctly favorable for the crop," said Deputy Secretary of Agriculture A. L. Martin, after a study of State reports.

"The reports I have at hand come from every county in the state and indicate that the wheat crop should be excellent. The winter was one of the most favorable in 20 years for the preservation of wheat, as the snows were deep and prolonged. Even this month, which is generally the most disastrous of the whole year for wheat, has been ideal. I think it is the most favorable March for wheat I have ever known."

### Unknown Found Murdered.

Washington—The body of an unknown man, found beside the Monongahela & Washington railroad, near Bentleyville, probably is evidence of murder. The body was crushed so that identification is impossible. After the body was taken to the morgue at Monongahela two bullet wounds were found, one through the heart and the other in the abdomen. That the body was carried to the track and then run over by a passenger train at night seems certain.

### Stock Increases of \$1,870,000

Harrisburg—The following increases of capital and debt have been filed at the capitol: Union Ice Company, Pittsburg, capital stock \$100,000 to \$1,200,000; Ambridge Light, Heat and Power Company, Ambridge, debt \$100,000; Haller Bread Company, Pittsburg, stock, \$50,000 to \$120,000; Bellefonte Lime Company, Bellefonte, stock, \$25,000 to \$100,000; Clearfield Brick Manufacturing Company, Clearfield, stock, \$50,000 to \$450,000; debt, \$25,000 to \$100,000.

### Anderson Charged With Murder.

Canonsburg—An inquest held by Coroner Charles T. Heffran it was decided that George Clark, a miner, was shot to death early in a fight at Bulger with Thomas F. Anderson, a neighbor. The latter is at the South Side hospital, Pittsburg, in a critical condition from a bullet wound in the head. If Anderson recovers he will be taken to jail at Washington. Although others were implicated in the shooting no arrests have been made.

### Want Damages for Lives.

Uniontown—John Shimko entered suit against the H. C. Frick Coke Company, claiming \$5,000 for the death of a son killed in the Lambert mines. Ewing Burns, of Connellsville, filed a suit against the Youghiogheny Ice Company, of Connellsville, claiming \$25,000 damages for the death of a 3-year-old son, trampel to death under the feet of horses drawing an ice wagon.

### Car Men to Get Wage Raise.

Altoona—Announcement has been made by the Altoona & Logan Valley Electric street railway that beginning July 1 its conductors and motormen will be granted a wage increase of 2 cents an hour. The raise follows a recent announcement of an advance of 1 cent an hour becoming effective April 1, giving the men a total increase of 3 cents an hour over the present rate.

### Ceasing Sunday Work.

Butler—President John M. Hansen, of the Standard Steel Car Company issued orders that no Sunday work be done in the car plant or subsidiary concerns, the Butler Bolt and River works, Butler Car Wheel works and the Forged Steel Wheel works. A Saturday half holiday in all departments of these plants has been granted.

### Three Killed by Train.

Sellersville—Mr. and Mrs. Aloise Distell and their son Charles were instantly killed when a Philadelphia & Reading railway train struck the carriage in which they were riding. Emma Rosten and Sophia Winstell, visitors from Philadelphia, who occupied the rear seat of the carriage, escaped.

### Franklin Boy Promoted.

Franklin—Hiram L. Irwin, U. S. N., son of H. M. Irwin of this city has been promoted to the rank of lieutenant. He was recently transferred from the dispatch boat Dolphin to the new armored cruiser North Carolina, which has gone to Rio Janeiro, bearing the remains of the late Brazilian minister.

### Gambling Crusade Begun.

Uniontown—County Detective Alexander McBeth and Frank McLaughlin began a crusade against gambling devices with the result that nine merchants, chiefly foreigners, already have been arrested. Constables throughout the county were instructed to make arrests.

### Two Children Burned to Death.

Washington—Catherine Rowe, aged 9, and Samuel Rowe, aged 4, were burned to death in the home of their father, George Rowe. Mrs. Rowe and her three little daughters, Marion, Louise and Jennie, were rescued by firemen.

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**WM. LUCAS**  
MOSHANNON, PA.

### HUNDREDS ARE ORPHANS

Burgomaster's Whole Family Among 400 Victims of Fire.

Vienna—The emperor has telegraphed to the Hungarian government his condolences in the catastrophe at Ockeroito. It is learned that the ball at the hotel was held for the purpose of raising funds to complete the building of the new Protestant church.

From the first alarm of fire to the collapse of the roof, which completed the disaster, only about 10 minutes elapsed. The victims included Burgomaster Kavacs, his wife, daughter and four sons.

Most of the bodies taken from the ruins are unrecognizable. Hundreds of small children have been left orphans.

### STEEL RECORD IS HIGH

Volume of Business Greatest of Any Month Since Last November.

New York—Railroads were reserved last week, still withholding orders for bridges, rails and other equipment, but official confirmation was received of previous contracts for cars and locomotives which insures March the highest monthly record since last November. Bids have been submitted on railroad steel, but no awards have been made, and other railroad work is pending calling for 13,000 tons of structural material.

With an absence of railroad work there has been keener competition for fabricated steel orders coming from contractors and manufacturers for new buildings.