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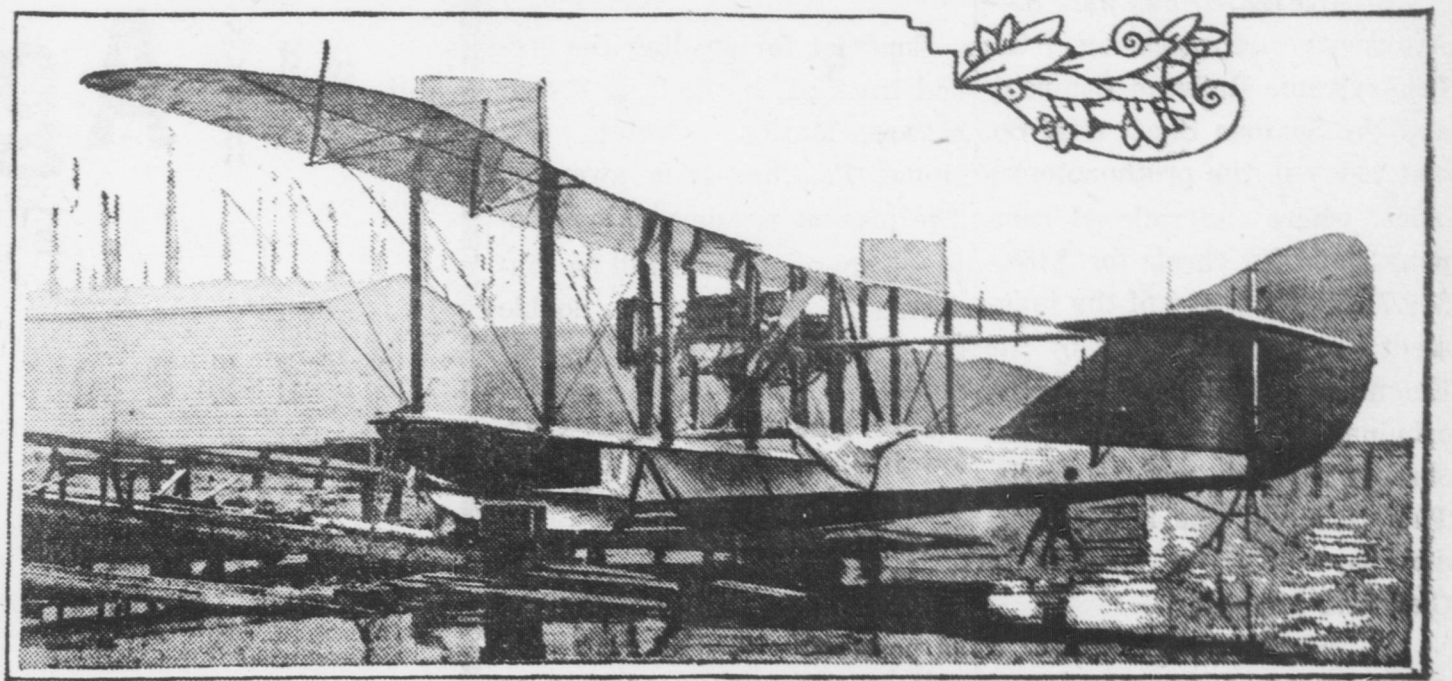


Photo by American Press Association.
This \$20,000 Curtiss air cruiser has two 100 horsepower engines. It is designed to carry five persons, but eleven can occupy it. It is fifty feet long.

Announcement

Having just purchased of "THE STORE" at a great sacrifice the entire stock of Beds, Springs, Mattresses, Pillows, Comforts, Tables etc., it enables me to offer some very choice bargains to my customers in fact some goods at almost 1-2 their real value.

Marino Pace North Homer City

Facts Versus Fallacies

FACT is a real state of things. FALLACY is an apparently genuine but really illogical statement or argument.

THE FALLACY of Prohibition is very sanely shown by a recent article entitled "An Englishman's Experience of Temperance Reform," written by Cecil Chesterton. His views are well worth the reading.

SAYS Mr. Chesterton: "One dogma common to all schools of Temperance Reformers in England is that the way to reduce drunkenness is to reduce the number of 'facilities for drinking.' It was useless to meet this dogma by an appeal to human experience as every educated and traveled man knew it. It was useless to point out that in those places, which, according to this theory, ought to be given over to a continual debauch of alcoholism in Paris, where whole streets consist of nothing but a long row of 'facilities'; in the small French country towns, where the inquiring stranger is perplexed as to how any of the cafes can pay, since everyone in the town seems to keep one—that it was just in such places that one practically never saw a drunken man.

PROHIBITION
FALLACY
NO Saloons
NO Drunkards



"MEN of our European blood and civilization (from which the civilization of America also derives) have always regarded fermented drink as a part of the normal food of man. . . . We find the old Puritans, for all the ferocity of their attack on human nature, never attempting to stop the consumption of fermented drinks. They forbade men to drink healths, but they never thought of forbidding them to drink wine or beer, presumably because it had never occurred to them that these things were even luxuries. They regarded them as normal to man.



press drinking, but it makes it secret, furtive and thoroughly unwholesome. By treating a normal human habit as a vice it really often makes it one."

MR. CHESTERTON concludes his article with a touch of humor that does not lessen, but rather accentuates the FALLACY of Prohibition in the light of the FACTS he presents. He says: "I passed a few days in 'dry' territory, and could not forbear to notice the number, size, prominence and luxurious appearance of the drug stores in every Prohibition city I visited. I suggest that this may be held to point to one of two conclusions. Either these institutions do not exist solely for the sale of quinine and sal-volatile, or else Prohibition does not appear to improve the health of those on whom it is enforced."



Pennsylvania State Brewers' Association

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS IN BRIEF

Interesting Items From All Sections of the State.

GULLED FOR QUICK READING

News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points Throughout the Keystone State.

Newville wants a municipal light and power plant.
President C. C. Ramsey, of the Crucible Steel company, died at Sewickley.
The oldest woman in Monroe county, Mrs. Eva Smale, aged ninety-five, died.

The Allentown Turner and Liederkranz will build a new hall at a cost of \$20,000.

A Lehigh Valley engine struck a deer at Rockport, and rolled it down an embankment.

Carlisle's shoeshining and tobacco store owners have been notified to close on Sundays.

Lehigh and Panther Creek miners are working more steadily than at any time in a decade.

A five per cent raise, with overtime for holidays, has been granted to Hazleton brewery workers.

The Reading Transit company, on its Reading and allied lines, carried 38,500,000 passengers last year.

Berks County Agricultural association elected W. Harry Orr president and Daniel J. McDermott secretary.

In a collision of an automobile and trolley car at Mechanicsburg, Wesley Miller and the motorman were injured.

Lancaster's Penn Iron works, idle ten years, will resume rolling steel and iron bars, under New York auspices.

Final steps are being taken to provide for Adams county its first vocational high school, probably at Arendtsville.

Incensed at the removal of their health officer, Altoona doctors want a law giving third-class cities power of recall.

The Union Fire company, of Lancaster, has celebrated the one hundred and fifty-seventh anniversary of its organization.

The Lehigh Coal & Navigation company is taking out many short cuts along its road between Lansford and Tamaqua.

George P. Wilson, Philadelphia, has resigned as chief of the bureau of rates and tariffs of the public service commission.

Mrs. Jane A. Kern, of Slatington, dropped dead just after reaching home from attending the funeral of a friend at Neffsville.

Fully one-third of the twenty-seven applicants for license in Cumberland county face hard fights with the no-license forces.

Stricken while shaving a patron, Grafton Zinn, a Carlisle barber, died a few minutes later of heart disease, aged twenty-five.

The state treasurer has paid \$76,500 to members of the legislature as first installment on their salaries for the session of 1917.

Angered by wholesale "funkings," Washington and Jefferson college students, at Washington, Pa., hanged a professor in effigy.

Gilbert Greensburg, of Huntingdon, prominent in the State Firemen's association, has been appointed a deputy state fire marshal.

Harry Peters, aged seventy-three, of Marrowsville, near Kittanning, was killed when struck by a train on the Pennsylvania railroad.

With a mill already employing 1500 hands at Hazleton, the Dauphin Silk company will build a four-story addition, 68 by 100 feet.

Work on the construction of the Wheeling Coal railroad, from Wheeling, W. Va., to Marianna, Washington county, has been started.

Hazleton has entered into competition with Weatherly for the acquisition of the proposed new Lehigh Valley railroad repair shops.

Mauch Chunk schools this year will get \$16,000 from taxes and state appropriation and \$7100 from the Cummings and Packer estates.

Allentown's smallpox scare is over, as it has been found the victim of the supposed pest is suffering only from a severe case of chicken-pox.

Edward Bailey, of Harrisburg, has been named receiver for the Williamsport & North Branch railroad, with general offices at Hughesville.

A consignment of 500 barrels of flour, the first of a large order from the British government, was shipped from Martinsburg to London.

Charged with complicity in the dynamiting of the safe in Lawler's store, James Thornton was arrested by state police at Frackville and jailed.

Union hod carriers at Pottstown adopted an eight-hour working day and an advanced wage scale, from forty to forty-eight cents an hour.

Thrown under a train when his brake stick broke at Frackville, George Fretz, aged thirty-five, a Reading railroad brakeman, was crushed to death.

Thomas F. Smith has been elected president of the Citizens' State bank, Williamsport, to succeed Charles W. Weis, resigned to go into manufacturing.

The Montour county grand jury has returned a true bill against Robert Pursel, of Danville, charging him with the murder of Mr. and Mrs. John Kern.

York council reconsidered and increased the tax rate one mill, to 9 1/2 mills, to afford \$27,000 additional revenue for sewer and street improvements.

Enough orders until January, 1918, are in sight as a result of the war department giving a contract to the Jeanesville Iron works to supply small shells.

Preparations are being made for the opening of the Wilkes rolling mill at Sharon, after being idle for three years. Two hundred men will be employed.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Churchill, of Leroy, celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary with a dinner in the Grange Hall, to friends for miles around.

Surrounded by many friends, Miss Hanna Griffith, of Hazleton, and Albert Reese, of Nesquehoning, were wedded in Mahanoy City by Dr. Sorrs, of Philadelphia.

Gas from a cellar furnace probably would have killed the family of Walter Filling, at Shippensburg, had not the baby's cries awakened Mrs. Filling just in time.

William Daufenbach has resigned as deputy warden and executioner at the new penitentiary at Rockview, Centre county, and has been succeeded by Fred B. Healy.

After taking forty-five ballots the Snyder county commissioners have elected P. Scott Ritter, of Middleburg, to the new \$1000 sealer of weights and measures job.

Alfred Cathers and Nerven Coombe, of St. Nicholas, crashed into an automobile while coasting at Suffolk and were badly hurt.

Managers of big coal companies in the anthracite fields welcome the opinion of Assistant Attorney General Keller that nurses have the legal right to administer anesthetics.

Fire believed of incendiary origin destroyed the hosiery mill at Middletown of H. A. Bomberger, of Philadelphia. The loss is \$150,000, including \$40,000 worth of yarn.

During 1916, 3820 arrests were made in New Castle. Of these 3308 were made since the first of April, when the city and county went "wet" after a "dry" period of six years.

Agents representing the Italian government are going through the anthracite fields to induce reservists of that country to return and enter the army.

The historic old Gettysburg Presbyterian church, used at the time of the battle of Gettysburg, as an army hospital, is undergoing repairs and renovation.

The past year brought 131 new factories to York county for the manufacture of cigars and other forms of tobacco, and now there are 1500 in the county.

The trustees of Allentown College for Women, now located at Cedar Crest, have sold the old college buildings in the city to A. D. Gomery for \$28,500.

An explosion of gas blew a section of the wall out of the Ward apartments, in Altoona. Mrs. George Slemond, aged twenty-six, was perhaps fatally burned.

Caught between a tank and shaft wheel, Frank Salinko was crushed to death and Joseph Galinsky seriously injured at Lehigh C. & N. water shaft No. 6, Tamaqua.

Two hundred and fifty employees of the D. M. Bare & Co. paper mill at Roaring Spring have been notified of a ten per cent increase in wages, effective January 1.

Joseph Pisko, aged seven, son of John Pisko, of Meadowlands, died in the City hospital, in Washington of a fractured skull, received when he was kicked by a horse.

Drawn into a sand crusher, a hand and arm of Roy Bixler, aged twenty-five, of Mount Holly Springs, were caught in the fork and mangled and torn off at the shoulder.

Archibald Johnston, of South Bethlehem, has notified the public service commission of his acceptance to the chairmanship of the committee to bridge the Bethlehem.

Caught beneath a fall of frozen earth at the concentrator plant of the Bethlehem Steel company, at Lebanon, Raymond Donhower, aged nineteen, died of internal injuries.

Virtually scalped by an assailant with an ax, Wassil Fatalowitch, of Sandy Run, walked into Dr. Richard Truckenmiller's office at Freeland for first aid and twenty-five stitches.

William B. Wilson, secretary of labor; Congressman J. Thomas Hefflin, of Alabama, and John J. Reardon, of Philadelphia, were speakers at the Jackson day dinner in Williamsport.

All the salaried employees of the Lehigh and New England Railroad company who have been in the service one year have received a bonus, the amounts varying according to position.

Dr. J. A. Tweedle, of Weatherly, a civil war veteran and Mason for over half a century, enjoys the distinction of having shaken hands with every president from Lincoln to the present day.

Allentown merchants have been swindled out of several hundred dollars by a man who got checks cashed by showing a bogus bank book which indicates that he has a large balance on deposit.

Hog cholera has made its appearance in the Perkiomen valley for the third time within a year, and William Debert, of Zieglerville, has lost eight hogs through the disease and twelve more are dying.

Charging that the defendant beat and abused her while serving papers at the farm of her husband, Mrs. Augusta Redmer, of near Hazleton, started suit for \$25,000 damages against Constable John W. Smith.

Runaways from an institution near Chambersburg, Hannah Kline, aged eighteen, with her hair trimmed and dressed as a boy, and James Jones, aged twenty-seven, were arrested in Shippensburg while starting for Call town.

Three barns were burned and three residences were damaged, causing a total loss of \$5500 in Applewold, across the Allegheny river from Kittanning. The buildings burned were those of Mrs. Holtzhauser, Herbert Boeber and M. A. Millron.

James A. McMillin, aged seventy-eight, of New Castle, died after an illness of a week. Mr. McMillin was twice elected county commissioner of Lawrence county. He was a veteran of the civil war. He leaves one son and one daughter.

William Sayres, stable foreman at the new penitentiary at Rockview, has been missing since December 26. His pocket book, containing \$9.75, and his gold watch were found in the barn at his home near Mt. Eagle, though he has not been seen near there.

Fearing arrest in several small thefts, Joseph Macovitch, aged fourteen; Michael Gaby, twelve, and George Gaby, thirteen, ran away from Hazleton, but were captured, armed with a revolver, in the storage house of the Weatherly candy factory by Chief of Police Auchey.

State Zoologist J. G. Sanders, of the state department of agriculture, in an estimate made public, says that reports show a loss of \$25,000,000 a year to farmers, fruit growers and market gardeners due to insect pests. The cereals were damaged to the extent of \$10,000,000, and fruits about \$8,000,000.

After starting an investigation of the death of Mrs. Mary Ahmer Adonna, who was found murdered in her home on the Three Degree road, Bredesville, near Butler, the state police apprehended Tom Ahmer, a brother of the dead woman, and are holding him as a material witness. The police are also looking for Charley Ahmer, another brother, who has been missing since January 4.

In view of the increased cost of food, York court has increased the compensation of Sheriff Haas for feeding prisoners in the county jail from thirty-four to thirty-five cents a day.

Phillip Leblang, fifteen years old, of Pottstown, gave twenty-seven square inches of skin from his legs and arms to be grafted on his first cousin, who was badly burned in Pittsburgh.

Fire of unknown origin threatened destruction of the business section of Greensburg, but was finally overcome. The loss, mostly sustained by L. S. Neish, a grocer, is about \$10,000.

Charged with stealing the automobile in which he was traveling, Emmet Resencrance, Binghampton, N. Y., was arrested by Constable Stevens, Stevensville, and jailed for extradition.

Tactfully admitting conspiracy in restraint of trade, thirty-two master plumbers were fined a total of \$3450 and costs at Pittsburgh.

Absent in Colorado forty-one years, J. W. Bradley was recognized at once by his sister when he returned to Ebervale, near Hazleton.

A shortage of water exists at Millheim, near Bellefonte, since the pipe line that carries water from a reservoir two miles away froze up.

Yuan Tsai, of Hongkong, China, is spending three months at Lansford, visiting the anthracite coal mines and investigating modern mining.

A Christmas check for \$10,000 has been received by directors of the Indiana hospital, in Indiana, from Miss Georgine Iselin, of New York.

Work has been begun on tearing down No. 2 stack of the Eastern Steel company, at Pottstown, which will be rebuilt in most modern lines.

The Herald, Titusville's only newspaper, has increased its subscription rates to twelve cents a week, and advertising rates ten per cent.

Playing with matches near an open kerosene lamp at Mahanoy City, Jeanette Janosky, four, was so horribly burned that she cannot recover.

State Education Superintendent N. C. Schaeffer told the American School Peace League at Harrisburg he opposed school military training.

Asphyxiated through a broken pipe, Hezekiah Dailey, aged seventy, a night watchman, was found dead in the basement of an Easton trousers factory.

KINDNESS.

When we consider the results it brings I wonder why it is we are not all kinder than we are. How easily it is done! How instantaneously it acts! How infallibly it is remembered!—Drummond.

Professional Mourners.

In ancient times funerals were followed by professional mourners, who simulated the appearance of the wild-wild grief. The custom survives in the valley of Sondria, in the Alps. There the women do not follow the funeral, but they group themselves at the entrance to the cemetery and burn, in honor of the dead, candles which vary in size according to the remuneration. They are as prodigal as were the mourners of ancient times in their simulation of excessive grief.—London Spectator.