

# ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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## PERSONAL AND LOCAL

Mrs. C. P. Meyers spent last Friday in Pittsburgh.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Hoffman of near Berlin, spent Wednesday visiting and shopping in Meyersdale.

Oleomargarine, 25 cents a pound at Habel & Phillips.

Miss Margaret Hartle of Warren, Pa., visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hartle, several days this week.

Mince meat 12½ cents per lb at Habel & Phillips.

Mrs. T. A. Weller returned yesterday from Akron, O., where she had been visiting for the past two weeks. Leave your order for your Xmas turkey or oysters at Habel & Phillips.

Mrs. M. H. Baldwin will be hostess today and her guests will include the members of the L. B. T. Club.

Special prices on candy and nuts to school teachers and Sunday schools at Habel & Phillips.

Mr. Isaac Weinstein is on the sick list this week but reports from him are that he is now resting comfortably.

Largest stock of candies, nuts and oranges and lowest prices at Habel & Phillips.

Mrs. J. H. Bowman.

passing at the time and at once took charge of the boy and in a short time the boy was rallying and in a day or two was as good as new. No blame could be attached to any one for the accident, and had the auto been going at fair speed the accident would probably have been a fatality.


**CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK**  
Meyersdale, Pa. —December 9th, 1916. The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house Tuesday January 9th, 1917 between the hours of 1 and 2 P. M.  
R. H. Philson, Cashier.

**SAND SPRING WATER CO.**  
NOTICE: The annual meeting of The Stockholders of the Sand Spring Water Co. of Meyersdale, Pa. will be held in the directors room of the Citizens National Bank on Monday evening January 8, 1917 at 7.30 P. M. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business brought before the meeting.  
S. B. Philson, Secretary.  
W. T. Hoblitzell, President.

**ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS MEETING**  
The regular Annual Shareholders Meeting of the Second National Bank of Meyersdale, Pa. will be held at their banking house at 2 P. M. on Tuesday January 9, 1917, for the purpose of electing Directors for the coming year and such other business as may come before the meeting.  
J. H. Bowman, Cashier.

**PENSY TO ELECTRIFY THE MOUNTAIN SECTION OF THE MAIN LINE**  
Electrification of the main line of the Pennsylvania Railroad between this city and Altoona, often proposed, now seems in a fair way to be accomplished, according to reports of plans now being prepared by Chief Engineer A. C. Shand at Altoona. The principal feature of the plans is the construction of a huge reservoir in the mountains near Tipton, east of Altoona, to be used as a source of power for moving the trains over the mountain between the two cities.

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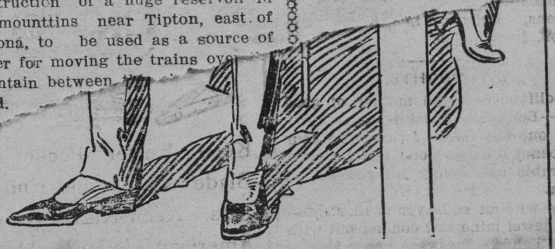
Yes, GIRLS or WOMEN, BOYS or MEN can join.  
The plan is this: Come in and get a "Christmas Bank Club" book FREE. It costs nothing to join. Deposit 5 or 10 cents or 1 or 2 cents for the first week. Then increase your deposit the same amount each week.

In 50 weeks:	
1-cent club pays	\$ 12.75
2-cent club pays	\$ 25.50
5-cent club pays	\$ 63.75
10-cent club pays	\$ 127.50

You can put in \$1.00 or \$2.00 or \$5.00 each week, and, in 50 weeks have \$50 or \$100 or \$250.  
We add 3 per cent interest.

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## Second National



James Chevalier, who is a German subject, is being detained in Pittsburgh until the police and detectives can check up his movements for several weeks past. The prisoner denies he was implicated in the plot.

That the blowing up of the plant at Walkers Mills and Oakdale, the latter on Sept. 15 last, resulting in five deaths, were the results of a big conspiracy among foreigners, is the theory of officials.

Chevalier is alleged to have made admissions which satisfy government authorities that three men were implicated in the plot to wreck the plants at Walkers Mills and Oakdale. It is also said that the conspirators had designs on the chemical plant at McDonald and that it was to have been blown up also on Sunday night.

## PUBLISHERS ORGANIZE

Newspaper Representatives of Western Pa., Meet in Pittsburgh.

An organization to be known as the Publishers' Association of Western Pennsylvania was formed Tuesday when the newspaper publishers of the western end of the state came together in Pittsburgh. Thirty-five members were enrolled either in person or by proxy. The following officers were elected: President, J. L. Stewart, Washington Observer; vice president, A. C. Dickinson, Sharon Telegraph; secretary and treasurer, A. W. McDowell, Sharon Herald.

Paramount among the purposes of the organization is to consider the conservation of publishing interests in this part of the state, as well as periodically to discuss measures that will improve conditions and matters of general interest to the business.

## COAL LANDS TRANSFERRED

H. C. Frick Coke Co. Buys 12,000 Acres of J. V. Thompson's Holdings.

Sale of 12,000 acres of Greene county (Pa.) coal land, held by J. V. Thompson, former Uniontown banker and coal operator, to the H. C. Frick Coke company, was announced by A. C. Robinson, vice president of the Peoples Savings bank, Pittsburgh, the chairman of the Josiah V. Thompson creditors' committee. This is the largest coal sale ever recorded in western Pennsylvania.

Mr. Thompson, according to the appraisers, owned 58,403 acres of coal land in Greene county, upon which they placed a valuation of \$32,647,000. The sale announced by the creditors' committee comprises approximately one-fifth of the Greene county holdings for about one-fifth of the appraised valuation.

## ACCIDENTS ARE MANY

250,000 Reported to Compensation Board During Year.

That the total number of accidents brought to the attention of the Pennsylvania workmen's compensation board will total 250,000 for the first year among the approximately 2,000,000 employees in the state who come under the protection of the act and the activities now in force for reducing these accidents if maintained will result in a two-thirds decrease, were statements made by John Price Jackson, commissioner of the state department of labor and industry, in an address at the Coal Mining Institute of America in Pittsburgh.

The speaker said the number of accidents reported up to Dec. 1 was 250,000.

## Deportations Justified, Berlin Says.

The German government issued a statement in explanation and justification of the transfer of Belgian laborers to Germany. It says the measure is by no means a hardship for the laborers, but is a social necessity.

Owing chiefly to the British embargo against Belgian overseas trade, which before the war supported a large part of the industrial population, large numbers of Belgian workers are idle, the statement says, and conditions are growing worse. Many families after spending all their savings have become objects of public charity. This state of things is not due, as asserted in Belgium, to German requisitions of raw materials, it is explained, for these requisitions occurred as a rule only where factories were unable to continue operations.

Of 1,200,000 employees engaged in Belgian industries before the war, 505,000, including 158,000 women, are now wholly without work, and 150,000, including 45,000 women, are partially without work, making a total of 655,000 persons dependent on public aid. In addition to these there are 292,000 wives and 612,000 children of men without work, so that 1,559,000 persons, or one-fifth of the total Belgian population, require assistance.

More than 300,000,000 francs already has been sent in supporting these persons, and 20,000,000 francs monthly will be required henceforth. These masses of idle people, the statement says, are degenerating and drunkenness and social depravity are resulting.

## BANDITS KILL AMERICANS

Two Executed by Villa's Men—One Burned at Stake.

Government agents in El Paso, Tex., sent a report to Washington saying an American named Foster had been mutilated, then burned at the stake by Villa bandits operating near Torreon.

These rangers reported also that they had seen sixty Carranza soldiers near Torreon, whose ears had been cut off by Villa bandits. Foster's son was forced to witness his father's execution, the refugees said. Foster was an American hacienda superintendent.

Howard Gray, an American mining man at Parí, Chihuahua, was killed by Villa bandits when they entered the town Nov. 5, according to a telegram received by the Alvarado Mining and Milling company. A messenger who arrived from Parí shortly after the telegram was made public said Gray was hanged by order of Villa.

Sawmill, Engine, & Boiler for sale. Outfit ready for business \$550.00 See H. Phillips, Clay St. Meyersdale, Pa.

## PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

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## POVERTY OF WEALTH.

A great abundance of food does not make a great nation. The invincible Roman legions lived for days at a time on wheat which they gathered and ate as they marched. The richest men of the earth dine as frugally as mortar mixers. Andrew Carnegie could afford to send vessels to every land to gather its delicacies for his table; his favorite dish is oatmeal. Frank Vanderlip, head of the City National Bank of New York, could employ a legion of chefs to procure epicurean feasts for his delight; Vanderlip eats only two meals a day. The Duke of Wellington who defeated Napoleon at Waterloo could have dined on ambrosia and nectar; he sometimes feasted his guests, but he limited his eating to a boiled potato and a chop. Some authorities state that Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo was due to an acute attack of indigestion.

## U. S. PROTESTS FOR BELGIANS

Fire starting in the residence of Mrs. Ann Saylor in Barrett street, Ohlerville, a summer resort eighteen miles east of Connellsville, practically wiped out the business section and destroyed eight residences. The loss is estimated at \$45,000. A call for help was sent to the Connellsville fire department and a chemical truck was rushed on a special train over the Baltimore and Ohio railroad.

Announcement was made last week by the state workmen's insurance fund board in Harrisburg that it had authorized a 15 per cent refund to all commercial and general insurance risks and a 10 per cent refund to mine operators insured in the state fund. The refunds will aggregate \$90,000, and will be distributed in the form of credits on policies for next year.

The Pennsylvania State Bakers' association, in session in Harrisburg, agreed to recommend to the bakers of the state that on Jan. 1 a 5-cent loaf of bread be increased to 6 cents; that small rolls, which heretofore have sold for 6 to 8 cents a dozen, be sold at 10 cents. They recommended that the 10-cent loaf of bread remain at that price.

A jury in the United States district court in Pittsburgh placed \$6,000 as the price of one foot. The case was that of Arthur Kelly versus the Pennsylvania Railroad company. Kelly was employed as a brakeman and was thrown from the top of his train when the brakes refused to work. His right foot was severed.

A 10 per cent increase in wages, affecting the men employed by the day and tonnage men, has been announced by the Jones and Laughlin Steel company in Pittsburgh. The increase will go into effect Dec. 15. Between 8,000 and 9,000 workers, it is figured, will be benefited by the increase.

Forest fires are chasing the deer hunters out of the woods north of Clearfield. Several camps were located in the region where the fire is burning fiercely. In some places it was with difficulty that the hunters saved the deer that they had killed and hung in front of their cabins.

A wage increase of about 10 per cent, affecting nearly 40,000 men employed in the Bethlehem Steel company's plants at South Bethlehem and Steelton, Pa., and Sparrows Point, Md., was announced this week by E. G. Grace, president of that company. The increase is effective Dec. 16.

Fire swept the village of New Oak Hill, in North Versailles township, a mile and a half from East Pittsburgh, destroying ten houses, damaging others, endangering the lives of several persons, making at least sixty persons homeless and causing a loss that will exceed \$50,000.

The Carnegie corporation of New York has appropriated \$1,038,500 for use of the Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh. This appropriation makes the total of Andrew Carnegie's benefactions for this purpose \$28,000,000. The Carnegie Institute of Technology received \$956,000.

Emery A. Walling of Erie, elected supreme court judge in November, spent \$9,041.79 in his campaign. His election expenses filed here show he gave \$1,000 to the Democratic state committee and \$2,500 to the Republican state committee. He received no contributions.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

**HELP WANTED.** Fifteen girls over 16 years of age can get employment at once at Floto Bros. Cigar Factory.

## MURRAY AUTO SERVICE.

Runs Twice Daily Between Meyersdale and Somerset Via. Berlin.  
Leaves Central Hotel Meyersdale at 7:00 a. m. and at 3 p. m.  
Leaves Somerset at 9:30 a. m. and at 3:30 p. m.  
For further particulars Inquire of MORRIS MURRAY, Central Hotel — Meyersdale, Pa.

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## GOING HOME

"Surely the chief delight in going away from home is the joy of getting back again," writes David Grayson in "The Friendly Road." "I shall never forget that spring morning when I walked from the city of Kilburn into the open country—my bag on my back, a song in my throat, and the gray road stretching straight before me. I remember how eagerly I looked out across the fields and meadows and rested my eyes upon the distant hills. How roomy it all was! I looked up into the blue of the sky."

## U. S. PROTESTS FOR BELGIANS

Germany Told Deportations Are Inhumane and Unprecedented

## BERLIN JUSTIFIES COURSE

Note Says the Removal of Belgians to Germany For Forced Labor Creates Bad Effect in United States.

A note to Germany protesting against the deportation of Belgians for forced labor as contrary to all precedents and humane principles of international practice was made public by the state department in Washington.

The note was cabled to Charge Grew at Berlin on Nov. 29, the day Ambassador Gerard discussed the subject with President Wilson, with instructions that he read it to the German chancellor personally. In making it public, the state department announced that the interview had taken place, but said nothing about results.

The decision to protest formally against the treatment of the Belgians followed unsuccessful informal efforts by Charge Grew, under instructions that he say informally to the Berlin foreign office that the deportations were having a most unfavorable effect upon neutrals, particularly the United States. The charge was informed in reply that the policy was a military necessity and that Germany regarded it as legal.

The note, with the department's statement making it public, follows: "On Nov. 29, Mr. Grew, our charge at Berlin, was directed to obtain an interview with the German chancellor and read to him the following:

"The government of the United States has learned with the greatest concern and regret of the policy of the German government to deport from Belgium a portion of the civilian population for the purpose of forcing them to labor in Germany and is constrained to protest in a friendly spirit, but most solemnly against this action, which is in contravention of all precedents and of those humane principles of international practice which have long been accepted and followed by civilized nations in their treatment of noncombatants.

"Furthermore, the government of the United States is convinced that the effect of this policy, if pursued, will in all probability be fatal to the Belgian relief work, so humanely planned and so successfully carried out, a result which would be generally deplored and which, it is assumed, would seriously embarrass the German government."

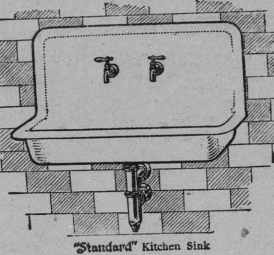
Tripping on a rug, Mrs. George Carbaugh, aged twenty-six, of Johnstown, fell and struck her head on a sharp corner of a table, fracturing her skull and dying instantly.

Charles W. Volte, aged twenty-nine, of Moundsville, W. Va., editor of the Washington (Pa.) News, died in the Ohio Valley General hospital.

The Chicago Bridge and Iron Works company of Greenville announced an increase of wages of 10 per cent to over 1,000 employees.

WHEN it comes to selecting plumbing fixtures the woman who has a hobby for appropriate and graceful design in all her furnishings will have a new and abiding interest, for the up-to-date plumbing fixtures now offered in an extensive number of designs for her approval are all graceful, beautiful and yet correctly fashioned for their purpose.

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**Meyersdale Steam Laundry**

The payroll of the Pittsburgh Construction company's slag mill, amounting to between \$600 and \$700, was stolen from an express company's office in Dunbar while the agent was at lunch. No trace of the money has been found.

If a sufficient number of the students at Washington and Jefferson college express a willingness to take such instructions, plans being considered now for giving military training in the college may be adopted.

From a bullet wound in the mouth, accidentally inflicted when a revolver was discharged among a crowd of men quarrelling nearby, William Cohn, aged thirty-one, a Pittsburgh merchant, died.

At DuBois, Pa., Deputy United States Marshal Frank C. Beatty of Pittsburgh seized 118 cans of sardines, which the government pure food inspectors allege are unfit for food.

Tabulation of returns of the Pennsylvania supreme court vote showed a total vote of \$20,055. Justice Walling polled 569,046 and Charles Palmer 250,928, and 77 scattered.