

**COMMUNITY EVENTS
IN LIEU OF VACATIONS**

Pennsylvania communities are planning summer events in order that their residents may find recreation and relaxation without travel, according to the State Department of Commerce.

Pennsylvanians are finding ways to obtain brief vacations to refresh them for their jobs by joining hiking clubs, cycling clubs and participating in outdoor recreations such as golf, swimming, boating and other activities that can be enjoyed near home.

NOTICE

To the Citizens of Elder Township. Due to some misunderstanding, Patton Fire Company was called to answer a fire alarm in Elder Township Saturday, May 22, 1943. Since Hastings Fire Company has a contract with the Supervisors of Elder Township for fire protection we would direct that all fire calls made in the future should go direct to the Hastings Fire Company.

PATTON FIRE COMPANY,
Elmer Crowell, Sec'y.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE.

In the Estate of John J. Brady, late of the Borough of Cresson, County of Cambria, and State of Pennsylvania, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay to

MARIE GRANEY CROWE,
Administratrix.
211 Powell Ave., Cresson, Pa.
Shettig & Swope,
Attorneys for Administratrix,
Ebensburg, Pa. July 8.

Administrator's Notice

Estate of Kathryn G. Johnson, late of the Borough of Patton, Pennsylvania, deceased.

Letters testamentary on the said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted thereto are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against same, will present them without delay for settlement to

L. G. GORSUCH, Administrator,
521 Beech Ave., Patton, Pa.
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NOTICE.

The Commissioners of Cambria County have agreed to sell at Private Sale the hereinafter described property for the sum of \$15,000, to Vincent A. Huber, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth, approved the 29th day of July, 1941, P. L. 600.

The Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County has fixed June 7, 1943, at ten o'clock A. M., in the Court House, Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, for a hearing on the Petition for confirmation of said Sale. The property to be sold was assessed in the name of George P. O'Leary, in Patton Borough, First Ward, is described as 1 House, 1 Lot, and was sold to the County on April 4, 1938, and June 28, 1938.

The total amount of taxes, municipal claims, penalties, interest and costs due is \$86.56.
By Board of County Commissioners.
H. F. Dorr, Clerk.

**PENNSYLVANIA
EDISON COMPANY**

Preferred Shareholders

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held Tuesday, May 25, 1943, the regular quarterly dividend of \$1.25 per share was declared on the \$5.00 Series Cumulative Preferred Stock, and the regular quarterly dividend of 70 cents per share was declared on the \$2.50 Series Cumulative Preferred Stock. Dividends will be paid on both classes of stock, July 1, 1943, to Stockholders of record at the close of business on June 10, 1943.

**PENNSYLVANIA
EDISON COMPANY**

E. H. Werner, President.
M. A. Miller, Treasurer.

IN OUR OPINION

BY RUTH TAYLOR

How many men have you met who said "I don't know"? It takes a lot of courage to profess ignorance—but the bigger a man is, the more ready he is to admit that he doesn't know everything.

Too many people today claim exhaustive knowledge. They are continual critics of every one around them, of those in authority, even when they have elected them,—and they always know just what should have been done under every circumstance. They have to express an opinion on each and every subject.

Must we express an opinion? Must we always take time off from important, even if monotonous tasks, to say something? Can't we ever say, "I don't know?" Can't we learn to weigh our words before we speak? If we stopped to consider what our opinion was worth, there are lots of times when we wouldn't give it.

It is that habit of ours of always having an opinion that has been played upon by enemy saboteurs. Our boys have died in burning oil on the high seas because we must show our knowledge of sailing ships. Munitions have exploded, shipments been lost or delayed at the cost of lives, all because we must talk, we must express an opinion. We could have kept still or said, "I don't know," but we did not.

That other saboteur, the propagandist, has also used this habit of ours to further his long range aims. Hasty speech means generalizations to cover up the lack of facts. We have had an opinion that such-and-such a group wasn't doing its share in the war. (Fill in the name with whichever one you don't like—the story is always the same, only the group is different. We have cried profiteer at all groups except the one to which we as individuals belong. We have condemned en masse the mistakes of an individual. And what we have done those like us have done—which was just what the enemy was after, a division into groups of an indivisible nation.

Must we express an opinion? If we must, then let us not talk of the things on which we have only opinions and not facts. Let us talk of the things we do know and believe. Let us express what is our real opinion—the opinion that made our nation, that kept it together against hardships such as those who complain the most have never known. "We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed." This is the American opinion—let us express it in every word and deed!

**FIRE FIGHTING
MANUAL ISSUED**

Information and instructions regarding forest fires, compacted into a pocket sized manual, are being sent to thousands of volunteers participating in the new unit of the State Council of Defense—the "Forest Fire Fighters Service."

Prepared by George H. Wirt, chief, Division of Protection, Department of Forests and Waters, and director of the new service for the Council of Defense, the manual "is to present to volunteers an adequate program of training that will best serve the needs of the service for Civilian Defense."

"The protection of forests in the Commonwealth . . . is the paramount importance," the Council's Chief of Training, R. Chapman Carver, wrote in the Foreword of the Handbook.

"Forest protection is a community welfare proposition. During war time when timber needs for war purposes exceed peace time needs, it is doubly important that men prepare themselves for Forest Fighters Service. It is an important function of Civilian Defense on the home front.

Presenting a summary and compilation of "the best available material" the manual in eleven chapters points out:

The objective—problem; when forest fires occur; causes of forest fires; forest fire prevention; fire behavior; organization of the Forest Fire Fighters Service; forest fire fighting equipment; fire detection; fire extinction; welfare and safety of forest fire fighters, and community welfare.

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**'Thriller' Novel
Betrays Murderer
Of English Woman**

Author, Who Wrote Story
While in Prison, Given
Death Sentence.

LONDON.—In a "thriller" novel he wrote in prison while awaiting trial, the accused man, Reginald Buckfield, a royal artillery gunner, known to his comrades as "Smiler" Buckfield, betrayed his guilt by a complete reconstruction of the crime. That was the contention of the prosecution at the man's trial at the Old Bailey recently.

The title Buckfield gave the "thriller" was "The Mystery of Brompton Road." The real victim of the slayer was Mrs. Ellen Ann Symes, who was stabbed while walking in Brompton Road, a lane not far from her home at Strood, Kent.

Child Gives Hint.
First hint that Mrs. Symes had been murdered by a soldier was given by her three-year-old son, Robin, who told the police: "A soldier came up and said to Mummy, I am going to kill you."

This led to a search by police and military throughout southeast England, and one of the first of 6,000 soldiers questioned was Buckfield, who had been arrested as an absentee the day following the murder. More than 2,000 civilians were also interrogated.

Counsel for the defense argued that it was absurd to assert because there were in the novel some facts and a great deal of fiction that the author was the murderer.

Said one prosecutor: "Could any person other than the one who murdered the woman conceivably have compiled the document? If Buckfield were completely innocent, could he have perpetrated all the coincidences of detail you find in this story?"

The jury did not think so and the soldier was sentenced to death.

Grins Cynically.
Buckfield lived up to his nickname throughout the trial, the newspapers said. Even when the judge was passing sentence "he grinned cynically around the court and laughed as he was escorted by warders to the cells."

In his "novel," which was written on scraps of paper and on margins of pages torn from Punch, Buckfield wrote of the murder of a woman whose husband was a night worker—Mrs. Symes' husband was on night work. He spoke of the woman's "baby"—Mrs. Symes was wheeling her son in his push-chair when murdered. Finally, the time of the murder in the thriller was, as nearly as could be proved, the time of the murder of Mrs. Symes. The story concluded:

"That, my dear friends, brings it to 'Girl Murdered by Person Unknown.' We hope the police will succeed in their duty to find the murderer, so as to clear myself, Gunner Buckfield. This is a partly true story and partly fiction, showing you how easy it is for an innocent man to be convicted of crime, and what could really happen."

**Man Goes an Rampage
With Ax; Policemen Duck**

LAKEVIEW, N. Y.—Mrs. Anthony Mudano telephoned the police and begged them to hurry. Her husband, 55, had locked himself in the kitchen, pulled down and bolted the windows and turned on all the gas jets.

A policeman ran up to a window and peeped in. He ducked just in time as Mudano swung at his head with an ax and broke the window.

Since he showed no disposition to be rescued, police went from window to window, Mudano broke every one, trying to hit the police with his ax. When all the windows were broken, the police tossed in some tear gas bombs and Mudano came out.

PORTLAND, ORE.—Warrant Officer Henry D. Ivey of Montgomery, Ala., trained at a nearby base and then was sent to Africa. That's where he got his final statement for a gas bill which he promptly paid by mail with 330 Algerian francs. George MacKenzie, assistant treasurer of the Portland Gas and Coke company, auctioned the French notes to employees for \$10—which he mailed to Ivey. Ivey had paid the bill once and forgot it.

**Handbag Finder Takes
Out Own Former Loss**

NEWARK, N. J.—The person who found Mrs. Belle Bearison's handbag once lost one herself. She would have been glad, she said in an unsigned note to Mrs. Bearison, if only the handbag, not to mention the \$8 it contained had been returned. So, the writer said, she was taking \$8 from the \$25 in Mrs. Bearison's bag and returning the rest. Mrs. Bearison said it was all right with her.

Long-Distance Fire
GUTHRIE, OKLA.—Excited voice on the telephone: "The bus station's on fire!" Firemen answered the call, found no blaze, and finally learned: It was a long-distance call from Langston, several miles away. The Langston bus station was destroyed.

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**Three Sisters Have
Sons Within 24 Hours**

LONDON.—Three sisters gave birth to sons in a Yorkshire village within 24 hours.

The first baby was born at 1:30 a. m. Sunday and the third at 8 a. m. Monday morning. The mothers are Mrs. Tom Thwaite and Mrs. Stanley McGregor, both of Rednir, and Mrs. R. S. Hunter-Castle of Bolton.

**Pilot Buries Gems
After Air Crash**

Thieves Dig Up Cache, Grab
\$80,000 in Diamonds.

MELBOURNE.—Three men are being held in connection with the theft of \$80,000 in diamonds from a cache of more than \$1,500,000 worth of the gems buried by a wounded Dutch pilot after his plane, bringing evacuees and the precious stones from Java, was shot down by the Japanese over northern Australia last year.

The defendants, according to Aneta, official Netherlands news agency, are John Palmer, a soldier and beachcomber character, accused of stealing the diamonds, and James A. Mulgrue and Frank A. Robinson, charged with unlawfully receiving part of the loot.

Comm. Ivan Smirnof of the Royal Dutch airlines was about to take off in one of the last planes to leave Java when he was handed a packet containing the diamonds, to be delivered to the Commonwealth Bank of Australia.

Near Broome, in northern Australia, Japanese raiders intercepted the plane and shot it down at Carnot bay. Four passengers were killed and Smirnof, with six wounds in his body, buried the diamonds. Later attempts to find them were unsuccessful.

Last May, according to the Aneta report, Palmer walked into an army recruiting office in Perth to enlist. Before he did so he produced a sugar canister containing \$1,500,000 of the diamonds, which he said he found on the beach north of Broome. Authorities charge, however, that Palmer held out \$80,000 of the gems, subsequently turning \$7,300 worth over to Mulgrue and Robinson.

**New Electron Microscope
Reveals Smoke Particles**

LONDON.—A new electron microscope, powerful enough to break down smoke into particles heretofore indistinguishable, has been designed by Prof. L. C. Martin of the Imperial College of Science in collaboration with Metropolitan Vickers Electrical company, it was disclosed.

The device uses a beam of electrons instead of a beam of light. For "lenses" the electron microscope uses electrostatic and magnetic fields which refract the electron beams much as glass operates in ordinary optical instruments. The image can be reproduced on a fluorescent screen or photographed.

**He Cannot Collect, but
Cash Keeps Rolling In**

TOPEKA, KAN.—Officially, Col. J. W. F. Hughes, of Topeka, can't get the \$299 he sought from the legislature as salary due him as a state guard officer in '93. Unofficially, the money's rolling in.

Representatives agreed it would set a bad precedent to pay the ailing colonel—who never asked for payment of the 50-year-old debt before because he never needed it before.

But when Rep. Henry Buzich said he'd start a private fund with \$5 of his postage allowance, the total grew to \$172 within half an hour—and may reach \$299.

LONDON.—Eighty-seven of every 100 men aboard torpedoed vessels survive, Lord Leathers, minister of war transport, said.

Replying to a toast at a luncheon of the Worshipful Company of Tin Plate Workers, Lord Leathers said that most casualties resulted as a direct result of enemy attack or while men sought to escape from a stricken ship.

Loss of life in lifeboats and rafts is less than 2 per cent of the occupants, he continued. In five of every six cases the survivors are picked up within 24 hours.

**Italian Air Defense Plea
Draws Fascist Badges**

PORT SAID, EGYPT.—Freed British prisoners from northern Italy tell this one to the Italians: In Genoa there is a dry fountain into which the public tosses coins for an air defense and plane fund. After a recent heavy raid, when the police went to gather the coins from the fountain, they found it filled to the brim with Fascist badges, but no money.

**Theaters Being Looted
Of Rubber Arm Pads**

LONDON.—London motion picture theater proprietors report that because of the rubber shortage rubber arm pads of seats are being cut off and taken away at an alarming rate.

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A Message

To the Women Who Dress
Well Economically



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