

### Himmeler Theatre Purchases Talkie Picture Equipment

Vitaphone Engineers to Make Installation Before Christmas—Sound Pictures to Be Shown After January 1.

Talking motion pictures will soon be heard in Dallas. Wesley Himmeler, owner of the Himmeler Theatre, placed an order with the Vitaphone corporation this week for one of its latest and most modern theatre talking equipments. Although sound engineers will work on the installation during the next two weeks, it is not expected that the new equipment will be in use before the first of the year.

The Vitaphone equipment is manufactured by the same concern that installed talking pictures in the Capitol Theatre in Wilkes-Barre and in all of the large theatres of the country. The equipment purchased by Mr. Himmeler is of the type now being used by the leading theatres in New York City and Philadelphia.

With the installation of the Vitaphone, the local theatre will be able to show the latest film releases in many instances before they appear in Wilkes-Barre and never more than two weeks or a month later. Some of the new pictures booked by Mr. Himmeler include Technicolor productions. A few of the talking picture subjects are pictures not yet released, such as: The Thirteenth Chair, Ship From Shanghai, Cotton and Silk, Mysterious Island and recent releases like Halleluia, Navy Blues, Dynamite and Hollywood Review and Madame X.

The establishment of a talking picture theatre here will be a great asset to the community and gives Dallas theatre equipment second to none in the country.

In commenting on the installation of the new equipment, Mr. Himmeler said that he had purchased the best sound device he could get regardless of price. If there is any change in the price of admission to the theatre it will not exceed 10 cents and this advance will not be made if the size of the audiences justifies the present price of admission.

### BECOMES BUYER FOR MONTGOMERY-WARD CO.

Rolland Stevens and Charles Gregory left yesterday for New York City where Mr. Gregory will make purchases for his haberdashery and clothing store. Mr. Stevens will go on to Albany on Monday where he has accepted a position with the Montgomery-Ward Company. Mr. Stevens was in conference Saturday in Wilkes-Barre with the eastern head buyer of the Montgomery-Ward Company and was chosen out of a list of three hundred applicants for trial as eastern hardware buyer for the company. In his new work, Mr. Stevens will do the purchasing for 106 stores and two of the company's eastern mail order houses. One of his first duties will be to inspect a factory in Connecticut which has just received an order from the company for 10,000 tents. It is Mr. Stevens' duty to see whether the company has the facilities to turn out the tents in the time specified by the Montgomery-Ward Company.

### INSTALL BIG TRANSFORMER

Wilkes-Barre Traction Company employees installed a big electric transformer this week at the Hay's corner power house. The transformer is shipped here in a special car attached to a Lehigh Valley freight train. The car was then switched to the traction company tracks and moved to the power plant by an electric work car.

### SLIGHT BLAZE

Dr. Henry M. Laing fire company responded to an alarm on Wednesday morning about 10 o'clock when a ditch digger on the Steele plot at Goss Manor caught fire. Gasoline which was spilled over the motor while the tank was being filled was responsible for the fire, which workmen quickly extinguished before the arrival of the fire engine.

### WHEN IN LUZERNE

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Ask for your coupons. These little tickets will give you free oil at Weidner's New Gas Station at Hillside.

### REMEMBER

## Weidner's Lunch

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### NEW Under

Motor Vehicle License Plates  
on and after December 1st  
begin in earnest at Harrisburg  
twenty-four hours thereafter, the  
sight of new tags operating as a re-  
minder to hundreds of thousands  
of motor car owners that the be-  
ginning of a new year is near. The  
highest tag in the 1930 series is  
99999, a plate three and one-half  
inches shorter than the high tag  
for 1929, which is 999-999. Here-  
after no Pennsylvania plate will  
bear more than five characters.

### Woodsmen Observe Black Bear Behind Pine Boughs

Harrisburg, Dec. 13.—Hunters in search of black bear may expect to find them hiding in the branches of red pine trees, it is reported by observations of foresters in the Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters, who have been engaged in a field study of this tree in northern Pennsylvania.

Woodsmen and forest lovers have often observed, says the report, how wild apples, cherries and serviceberry trees are broken by bear climbing them for food. Evidence now shows that the bear frequently climbs red pine trees. Just what they have been looking for has not been determined. It is considered unlikely that the bear have a special antipathy toward red pine, and since no fruit was found on the trees discovered, the foresters concluded that the bear delight to romp and play in their attractive soft green crowns.

The injury observed on the pine is of three kinds, according to Prof. George S. Perry, of the St. Forest Research Station located at Mount Alto. Some trees of small size have been scarred at five to seven feet above the ground. Claw and teeth marks are plainly seen on such trees and the injury is unusually frequent on red pine. Bear are considered omnivorous in their food habits and devour almost everything they can find except wood and foliage. They eat succulent fruits, insect larvae, honey, frogs, reptiles, fish and every other kind of flesh they can obtain. It is hardly probable, says Prof. Perry, that these bears were looking for insects, since data collected on red pine for some years past has shown that it has probably fewer enemies than any promising forest tree in the Keystone State.

An adage among older woodsmen has it that marks made upon tree bark at five or so feet above ground are made by bears standing upright and scarring the trees with their front claws with the idea that the scars will be a challenge to fellow bears that later pass that way. Later comers are supposed to measure their height with the first scars and attempt to put similar marks above them. Failing to do this they realize their physical deficiencies and slink away rather than risk a losing combat by remaining in the neighborhood. They are wise.

A large number of trees from three to ten feet tall show that their tops have been bitten off a foot or two below the tip. Other trees 20 to 40 feet tall have been climbed and have their tops bitten off at a considerable height. This latter injury is believed to have been done by cubs, since in some instances the tree tops could scarcely support the weight of a grown bear. No signs have been found to show that bears eat any part of the trees they bite.

The damage the bears have been doing is not common enough to be taken seriously, but is just another of the interesting temperaments of this little understood big game animal, which is full of playful pranks and haunts the dark depths of Penn's Woods in increasing numbers. From 125 to 175 bear are usually killed annually within the State forests. Last year 163 were killed. This is roughly one-third of the total number of bear killed annually in Pennsylvania.

### POPULAR OFFICER DIES

Officer Michael Kelly, aged 51, well known and popular member of the Kingston police force, died suddenly Thursday morning of a heart attack while assisting school children across Wyoming avenue at Dorrance street. Officer Kelly was well known by residents of this section and his pleasant smile, cheerful attitude and adherence to a code of fair play made him a favorite among motorists who watched him faithfully perform his police duties daily at the intersection of Bennett and Dorrance streets in Kingston. He leaves three grown children, one sister and three brothers.

### GEORGE L. CLEWELL DIES

George L. Clewell of 62 Butler street, Kingston, well known to residents of this section and long a prominent resident of the West Side, died Thursday afternoon at his home of pneumonia. Born in Berwick, he was for twenty-five years a flour broker. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity. Beside his wife he leaves two sons, G. Livingston and French. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2, with interment at Mt. Greenwood.

### Men Have Hunt Club in Pike County

Quiwaumick Club Owns 700 Acres in the Heart of the Bear and Deer Country

During the deer hunting season which closes today, a large number of local sportsmen have been hunting big game in Pike county. The most popular rendezvous for local nimrods is the Quiwaumick Rod and Gun Club located in the heart of the big region near Walker Lake in Pike county.

The club was formed several years ago by local men and now has a membership of twenty-five. The majority of the members are residents of this section. A few, however, come from Wyoming Valley and Honesdale.

The club owns over 700 acres of land, sixty of which are cleared. On the property are two houses and a barn, affording excellent accommodations for large hunting parties and good shelter for automobiles. During the hunting season the club employs a chef to take care of the commissary needs and care for the clubhouse. The main building is located about three-eighths of a mile off the main road. During the years that the property has been under the ownership of the local club, several thousand trees have been planted and active conservation work done in reforestation.

There is an abundance of big game in the immediate vicinity of the clubhouse. An evidence of the work accomplished by the State Game Commissioners in conservation work is shown by the rapidly increasing number of deer in the Pike county section, there being at least twice as many deer in that region today than there was six or seven years ago. This year a number of good kills were made by local sportsmen who had their headquarters at the club. Frank Cleveland of Kingston is president of the club. Harry Garahan is secretary and Ralph Hood is the treasurer.

Members are: R. L. Hallock, Warden Kunkle, J. R. Oliver, A. L. Turner, Harry Garahan, Paul Shaver, Sterling Machell, Ralph Hood, Herman VanCampen, Ernest Keller, O. P. Williams, Henry Sipple, Guy Woolbert, Stanley Johnson, Russell Frantz, Harry Lewert, W. A. Steelman, Robert Steltz, L. D. Hallock, H. G. Bor-tree, A. M. Hildebrandt, Edward Hildebrandt, David Robertson, Frank Cleveland and E. E. Hallock.

### ADJUSTED SERVICE CERTIFICATE TO EXPIRE JANUARY 2, 1930

January 2, 1930, is the last day on which World War veterans who have not already done so may make application for adjusted service certificate, the so-called Federal "bonus."

In 1924 Congress authorized the issuing of a paid-up twenty-year endowment insurance policy to all World War veterans, both enlisted men and officers below the rank of major. The amount or face value of the certificate is determined by the number of days the veteran was actually in the military or naval service.

In fixing the maturity date Congress was governed by two major considerations. The first was a desire to make the certificate payable at that time of life when most veterans will be planning to reduce their hours of labor, or perhaps to retire from active business. In the event the veteran died before maturity date of the certificate, Congress desires to help care for the bereaved families. The second consideration was the huge cost to the taxpayers. The Government is already obligated for almost four billion dollars by reason of applications already received.

While approximately 85 per cent of eligible veterans have already received their certificates, it is estimated that 40,000 veterans in Eastern Pennsylvania have failed to submit applications. Friends and relatives should urge all veterans to apply for adjusted service certificates if they have not done so.

All ex-service organizations keep application blanks on hand and offer to give advice to veterans. Also the regional office of the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, 33rd and Arch streets, Philadelphia, and the sub-offices in Harrisburg and Scranton will send blanks to those who request them by mail or assist veterans who call at the offices.

### O'LEARY CLASS INITIATED

Named in honor of Father J. J. O'Leary, pastor of St. Therese's Church, Shavertown, a class of 100 candidates was admitted to Wilkes-Barre Council, 302, Knights of Columbus, at the conferring of the first degree in Wilkes-Barre Thursday night.

### W. C. T. U. TO MEET

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Miller, Kunkle Road, Tuesday, December 17, at 2 p. m. The first chapter of the book, "Give Prohibition Its Chance," will be given by Mrs. D. F. Westover.

### UNLOADS TEAM

Marvin Elston unloaded a fine team of horses last Friday night at the Dallas Lehigh Valley station. The horses had been shipped to him from Dush...

### Missing Girls May Be White Slave Victims

No Trace Found of Two Tunkhannock Girls Who Disappeared Mysteriously on Night of November 30

No clue to the whereabouts of two young Tunkhannock girls who disappeared on the night of November 30 has yet been found, and it is believed that they may have fallen into the clutches of the white slave network that has been active throughout Pennsylvania and New England.

The girls are Pauline Emmons, aged 15, and Ruth Meyers, aged 14. The girls went to the public library in Tunkhannock on the evening mentioned and after leaving there no trace of them has been found. It is thought, says the Tunkhannock Republican, that they were taken away by a young man who is said to have had a car parked near the library. The fact that the car is said to have borne a Rhode Island license is not reassuring, as very recently Federal officials have started an investigation of an alleged white slave ring with headquarters in New England and operating extensively in Pennsylvania. Numerous girls from Bradford and Sullivan counties have been lured away by agents of the ring and it is quite possible that the two Tunkhannock girls are among their victims.

The Emmons girl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Emmons of Bridge street, Tunkhannock, and the Meyers girl is the daughter of Mrs. Belle Meyers of the same street. The Emmons girl's father was one of the men who was seriously injured when the automobile in which he was riding overturned at Ruggles last summer.

Any information that will lead to the discovery of the girls should be directed to the parents or the Pennsylvania State Police at Wyoming.

### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PUTS ASHES ON ROADS

Snow, rain and sleet made travel on State and county highways extremely dangerous on Thursday night and Friday. In numerous instances automobiles skidded off the highways or were damaged by impact with other cars. Employees of the State Highway Department were on the job with trucks Thursday and Friday nights scattering ashes on all of the hilly portions of the State highways and county roads in this section. Provision was made for such emergencies early in the fall when large piles of ashes were distributed at convenient points along the highways to be distributed during the snow and sleet season.

### WILL SAVE INDIAN RELICS

Indian drawings on rocks in the Susquehanna river below Columbia, said to be among the best Indian hieroglyphics in the East, will be saved at a cost of almost \$10,000 when the Safe Harbor Water and Power Company builds its \$30,000,000 power plants on the river at Safe Harbor. The rocks containing the hieroglyphics will be covered by backwater from the dam, but the portions containing the drawings will be removed before the dam is built.

### FEW DEER SHIPPED BY EXPRESS

Although there has been a record kill of deer in the mountainous section of Wyoming and Sullivan counties this year, only two deer carcasses have been shipped out of that section by express. In former years a great many of the deer killed were shipped out by trains and during the weeks of the big game hunting season the trains were loaded with hunters. The advent of the automobile has made it easier for hunters to get in and out of the woods and most of the deer now shot are carried on automobile running boards. The change is one that few people would have expected or anticipated a few years ago.

### SHOOT DEER

Glen Rowley of Washington, D. C., and Charles Reigle of Fernbrook each brought home an eight-prong buck from Pike county on Friday night.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Dallas Post respectfully calls attention to all correspondents and advertisers to send their copy in to the Post as early as possible during the next two weeks. All correspondence should be in this office by Wednesday in order to insure its getting in the issue of that week. Advertisers who anticipate placing Christmas copy should let us know early in the week so that we can make provision for the increase in space used by adding extra pages to the issue. We can do this only if we know the size of the ads before Wednesday and can thus prevent any last minute disappointments.

### Birth Rate Is Showing Marked Drop In State

Figures Indicate Poor Record for 1928—Native Born Rate is Lower Than In Many Years

The number of births registered so far this year with the Bureau of Vital Statistics is so far short of the number registered at this time in 1928, that it seems likely that the birth rate will fall below 20 per 1000 population for the first time in the history of birth registration in Pennsylvania. In spite of a large increase in population there are no more births in the Commonwealth than there were twenty years ago.

The fall in the birth rate has been particularly rapid since 1921. One of the chief causes of this decline in the birth rate is the rapid decrease in the number of foreign-born women of child-bearing age.

The birth rate in the native born population has been low for many years, but the general birth rate was kept high by the high rate among the foreign born. There have been few additions to the foreign born population in the past fifteen years, and as most of the foreign-born women who were here before 1914 are now past the child-bearing age, the general birth rate is now practically equal to the rate in the native born population.

### LADIES' COMMITTEE GUESTS OF POTENTATE

The Ladies' Day committee of the Irem Country Club enjoyed a delightful dinner party recently at the club house, given by Potentate Harold Rust. Mrs. Robert Scott, general chairlady of the committee acted as hostess. The dinner was served in the private dining room and the table was beautifully decorated with Christmas trimming. The favors were small china jardiniere. Following the dinner military bridge was enjoyed in the card room.

Those present were: Mrs. Shelby Dimmick of Scranton, Mrs. Breidinger, Mrs. Schott and Mrs. Fowler of Wilkes-Barre, Mrs. Charles Terry, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Henry German, Mrs. Olin Mullison, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Scheiffly of Kingston, Mrs. Z. R. Howell, Mrs. Harold Rust and Mrs. Robert Scott of Trucksville.

### MRS. LONG TO SPEAK

Miss Ella Sutton, teacher of the second grade, will present an operetta as the entertainment feature Monday night at the December meeting of the Dallas Parent-Teacher Association in the high school auditorium. A large number of questions concerning the schools will be discussed by Mrs. Charles Long of Wilkes-Barre, who is an officer of the State Parent-Teacher Association.

### HUNTSVILLE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The Original Christmas Program will be the pastor's theme at the 9:30 service Sunday morning at the Huntsville Christian Church. Interesting Christmas plans will be presented in the Sunday school which will immediately follow.

### Risley and Major Purchase Dallas Hardware Stock

Both Men Experienced in Hardware Business—Expect to Open Modern Supply Store Here

Announcement was made this week that W. B. Risley of Noxen and Stuart Major of Kingston have purchased the bankrupt stock of hardware of the former Dallas Hardware and Supply Company and will open a thoroughly modern hardware and farm supply store in Dallas. The sale of the stock, which does not include the present building, was made at the offices of the referee of bankruptcy in Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday.

Both Mr. Risley and Mr. Major have had long experience in the mercantile field and come here with a thorough acquaintance of the local field. Mr. Major was for a number of years associated with the A. J. Roat Supply Company in Kingston and when that firm was purchased by the White Hardware Company became associated with Harry Roat in the opening of the Roat Hardware Company on Wyoming avenue. During the World War Mr. Major was a member of the aviation corps of the United States Army. He is well acquainted in this section, having been born in Noxen and lived in Kingston for the greater part of his life.

Mr. Risley has been engaged in the mercantile business for more than thirty years. Until three years ago, when the firm sold to G. A. Shook & Co, he was co-partner with R. S. Crosby in the firm of Risley & Crosby at Noxen, which did a large general mercantile business throughout this section. He was active in the organization of the Tanager's Bank at Noxen and is its present president. Before moving to Noxen from Tunkhannock he was associated with the N. J. Thompson Company of Elmira, N. Y.

The new hardware organization will make a specialty of household and farm equipment. In order to better facilitate service, the interior of the present store will be completely renovated and modernized and equipped with the latest in hardware store layout and fixtures. The firm expects to handle one of the largest general hardware lines west of the Susquehanna river and will announce its formal opening within a few weeks.

### COUNTRY EDITOR REMEMBERS WHEN DAILY WAS A PUP

In its forty years ago items The Tunkhannock Republican had the following to say this week: "Our plucky friend, A. A. Holbrook, editor of the Kingston Times, at last sees the consummation of his hopes—a daily paper. He is now issuing a breezy little four page, six column sheet at the price of a penny a day. Success to it. (That was the birth of the Times-Leader, now one of the principal dailies in Wilkes-Barre)."

And again in those same forty years ago items the editors have the following to say: "Deer and bears are becoming very scarce in the wilds up Bowman's Creek and hunters will soon have to forego the luxury of venison and deer steaks forever."

Little did the editor of that former day think that the great State of Pennsylvania would one day become the outstanding leader in wild life conservation, so that today there is probably more big game in the hills and mountains of the State than ever before in the history of the Commonwealth.

### LINE NEARS COMPLETION

Work is nearing completion on the new electric line being run from Kunkle to Beaumont and Bowman's Creek by the Harvey's Lake Electric Company. Many of the subscribers along the line have already had their houses wired and are now using the power for the first time. It is expected that the line will be extended to Evans Falls sometime during the coming spring and summer. Lincmen have been working for several months setting poles and stringing wires. There was considerable clearing of the right of way and in many instances trees and limbs had to be removed to make way for the electric lines and poles.

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