

Mrs. Johnson Coolbaugh Surprised On Birthday

Mrs. Johnson Coolbaugh was pleasantly surprised recently at her home in Trucksville on her 65th birthday anniversary.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Laing Coolbaugh, daughters Jane and Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Coolbaugh, sons Laing and Merton, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Kunkle, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Kunkle, Mrs. Charles Weidner, Mrs. Walter Scott, Ricky Plummer, Johnson Coolbaugh and the guest of honor.

Rotary Speaker

Prof. Boris Hall, of Wilkes College faculty was the speaker at the meeting of Dallas Rotary Club last night at Irem Temple Country Club.

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Mrs. Stoeckel Has Birthday

Mrs. Stoeckel is Eighty-eight Mrs. Catherine Stoeckel observed her 88th birthday anniversary on Wednesday. Born in Bloomsburg on November 16, 1861, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Risewick, she came at an early age to live in Nanticoke. She married Theodore W. Stoeckel of Huntsville in June, 1882. Two children, Mrs. Bess Carpenter of Cattlettsburg, Kentucky died several years ago and Harry W. Stoeckel, local florist, died in 1944.

She has two grandchildren, David Carpenter of Ashland, Kentucky, and Helen Stoeckel, registered nurse; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rose Stoeckel, and four sisters, Mrs. F. B. Hess, Miss Elizabeth Risewick, Mrs. Howard Schole, all of Nanticoke and Mrs. Ida Gilchrist of New Jersey.

During World War 1, Mr. and Mrs. Stoeckel were in Newport News, Virginia where Mr. Stoeckel was a government contractor. While in Newport News the Stoeckels sponsored the building of a church in a community where there was no church. Mr. Stoeckel died in January, 1932.

Mrs. Stoeckel, a member of the Huntsville Methodist Church and its societies, attends the services. A good neighbor, Mrs. Stoeckel has always been ready to help in sickness or wherever needed and enjoys quilting.

Professor at PTA

Professor John A. Hall, head of the Guidance Center at Wilkes College, will speak on "The Psychology of Human Relations" at Shavertown PTA meeting Monday night. Mothers of Miss Mills' room will serve.



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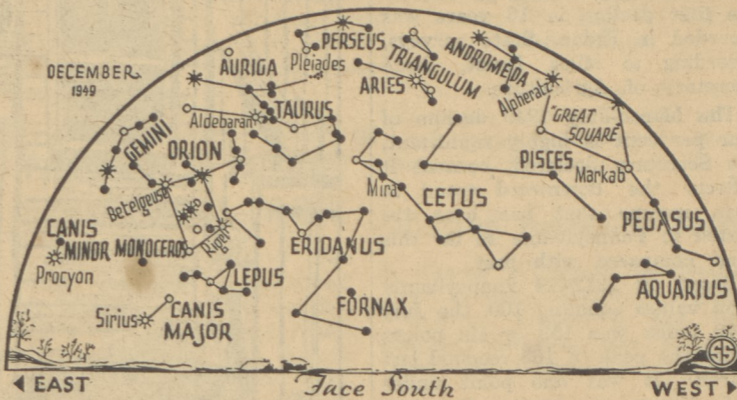
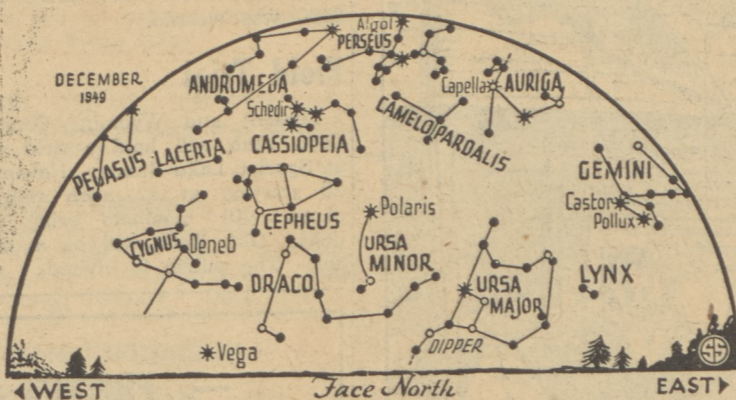
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ORION PROMINENT IN EAST

Planets Visible Early and Late on December Evenings



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Though four planets may be seen on the evenings of December, one has to look for them either early or late. Thus they do not achieve a place on our maps for these depict the heavens as they appear about 10:00 p. m. at the beginning of the month, and an hour earlier in the middle.

If you look low in the southwestern sky soon after the sun has set you will see two planets in the gathering dusk. The brighter will be Venus, which reaches greatest brilliancy the day after Christmas, when it is about 58 times as bright as a typical star of the first magnitude. The other planet is Jupiter. Though this is really very bright, it is only about a twelfth the brilliance of Venus, which is now at one of its extremes.

At the beginning of the month, Venus will be to the west of Saturn, but passes it on the evening of Dec. 6. The time of closest approach (10:00 p. m. EST) will be after the planets have set in the eastern part of the country but in the west they will still be visible. Even along the Atlantic coast however they will form a strikingly close pair that evening before they disappear behind the western horizon. And on Dec. 22 the crescent moon passes them adding to the spectacle.

Our other two December planets rise in the east about midnight, and these also are very close together. They are Mars and Saturn. Of very

similar brightness at present, Mars is of magnitude one, while Saturn is about five-sixths as bright. The red color of Mars, fortunately, makes it easy to identify. Mars has been to the west of Saturn, but on Nov. 30 passed its fainter brother, and during December is toward the east and south, gradually drawing farther away.

Among the stars of the month the brilliant constellation of Orion, the warrior, is most prominent, as he always is in our winter skies. To locate him, look to the southeast for the three stars in a row that mark his belt. The two bright stars just above, of which Betelgeuse is one, mark his shoulders, while Rigel, below, is in one of his feet. As depicted in the old star maps, which showed the actual figures around the stars, he is depicted as holding an upraised club, defending himself from the charge of Taurus, the bull. This animal forms another constellation, above and to the right, with first magnitude Aldebaran as one of his eyes.

On the other side of Orion, shown low in the east, are the two dogs, Canis Major and Canis Minor, which contain the stars Sirius and Procyon. Of all the stars we see in the night-time sky, Sirius is brightest, almost as bright as Jupiter. Actually it is not so bright as stars go, but looks so brilliant because it is one of the closest of the stars.

Alongside Orion, to the north we can see Gemini, the twins, with the stars Castor and Pollux, the latter the more brilliant. And above them we find Auriga, the charioteer, with Capella, still another star of the first magnitude.

Hunters'-Eye View Of Wildlife

The public has been forced to realize (no compliment to the human race) that humans must look like woodchucks, for again last summer several Pennsylvanians were shot because they reportedly resembled these animals.

Now it becomes almost clear why a man is sometimes called "an old duck". Recently, a hunter in North-eastern Pennsylvania was shot "in mistake for a duck".

Huntsville Service

An old fashioned community Thanksgiving service will be held at Huntsville Christian Church Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. Rev. David Morgan, pastor of Huntsville Methodist Church will be guest preacher. Anyone having clothes for the needy of Europe are asked to bring them to the service.

Memorial Tower At Valley Forge

A \$300,000 bell tower is being constructed at The Washington Memorial at Valley Forge to house the National Carillon of 49 bells and to serve as a memorial to the patriots of World Wars I and II.

Known as the Washington Memorial Bell Tower, the project is being sponsored by the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Placed on a portion of the historic winter encampment grounds of George Washington and the Continental Army, the new bell tower will be an additional attraction for sight-seers visiting the area. There is a bell for each of the 48 States and National Birthday bell.

Valued at \$88,000, the Washington Memorial Carillon was the first set of bells made in this country and is generally recognized as the most perfect set in the world, according to Mrs. William C. Langston, of York, chairman of the committee for the erection of the Memorial Bell Tower at Valley Forge.

Hymns and patriotic songs are played daily at each hour from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at which time the national anthem concludes the daily musical program.

The tower's Memorial Room will have an honor roll listing more than 10,000 names of veterans of the Revolutionary War and World Wars I and II.

The community of York, Pennsylvania, has given the tower a stained glass window as a memorial which tells the story of the brotherhood of four heroic Army chaplains. This memorial is a special tribute to Rabbi Goode, a resident of York, at the time of his enlistment, yet it also honors the three other chaplains, Father Washington, Reverend Fox and Reverend Poling who, with Rabbi Goode, when their ship was torpedoed, gave their life belts to the soldiers, then linked their arms and went down with their ship.

Along with its large production of fruits, vegetables and agriculture products, including bananas, sugar cane, tobacco and pecans, Florida has large fishing interests, phosphate deposits, and is rated as the second largest cattle producing state in the U.S.

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Benefit Movie

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Elected to Fraternity

James Fink, a second year student at Mansfield State Teachers College has been elected to Beta Omicron chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity of America. Jimmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Fink of Lehigh street, Shavertown.

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Glenn has just finished bathroom installations for Mrs. W. O. Smith at Deer Lake, Russell Newell at Noxen and C. J. Watts at Tunkhannock. You'll find our price strictly in line with a first quality outfit at \$139.50. Your choice of color at \$198.50.

Just about everything for the home butcher is being shown on one of our front tables. The necessary cutting tools, pine tar and the works, even to the smoke salt and sausage seasoning.

Thermotapes stop frost. The season of frozen water pipes is not far off but you don't have to put up with it if your pipes are exposed—wrap a thermotape around the pipe and simply plug into any outlet. Use it on cold nights and a little current will save a lot of trouble.

Election being safely past, Thanksgiving is the next excitement. Ed Young says to tell you he has roasters to fit all turkeys, so don't burn your bird.
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