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THE "HOME PAPER" OF THE MIDDLE SECTION OF PROSPEROUS MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

For the Independent.

THANKSGIVING DAY. The Nation's Day for thanks and praise. In memory of the trying days...

MRS. HENRY ARMSTRONG, Dorchester, Mass.

ABOUT TOWN NOTES

Another Thanksgiving Day! Another special day for Visiting and feasting, for Delightful social functions, for Automobiling, for Thanksgiving!

Mrs. M. Williamson was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Backmire.

Mrs. G. H. Backmire spent several days of last week in Philadelphia.

Mr. Charles Knipe is spending several days on a gunning trip to Pike county.

Hon. J. A. Miller, of New Tripoli, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Miller one day last week.

Miss Ellen Ancher, of Bristol, spent the week end with her sister Miss Harriet Ancher.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Koons entertained relatives on Sunday.

Mr. B. Frank Steiner spent last Friday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Granville Lane entertained the "Five Hundred" Club on Tuesday evening.

Miss Griffith spent the week end in Norristown.

Mrs. Neff, of Philadelphia, is visiting her daughter Mrs. Howard Tyson.

Master Bobby Nester is able to be up and about again.

Mrs. Paul Eckert, of Norristown, visited Mrs. Pauline Shepard on Saturday.

Mrs. Thomas, of Philadelphia, spent several days with Miss Kratz.

Mrs. Yocum, of Norristown, visited her daughter Mrs. John Nester one day last week.

Miss Florence Schreuren, of Trenton, N. J., spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schreuren.

Mrs. Graham has returned home after spending some time in Philadelphia.

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Mrs. Allen Bortz spent Monday in Schwenksville.

Mrs. Kathryn Meyer is spending two weeks with her sister Mrs. Jonas Cassel, of New Haven, Conn.

Miss Myrtle Bechtel, of Yerkes, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wehnd on Sunday.

The Collegeville National Bank will be closed today (Thanksgiving Day).

THE HENDRICKS MEMORIAL HEARING COMPLETION.

The Joseph H. Hendricks Memorial Building which has been in the course of construction for a year and a half is about completed and plans are under way for the dedication of this fine and commodious edifice.

The plans for the opening and dedication of the building include a Sunday service and three evening meetings and functions. The dedicatory service will take place on Sunday, December 16.

TRINITY REFORMED CHURCH.

In keeping with the proclamation of the president of the United States, that the American people gather in their respective places of worship on Thanksgiving Day, there will be a service in this church Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

TELEPHONE BILLS PAYABLE AT LOCAL BANK.

Arrangements have been made by The Bell Telephone Company whereby bills rendered to their patrons can be paid at the Collegeville National Bank.

MEETING OF COMMUNITY CLUB.

On Wednesday afternoon, November 21, at 3 o'clock the Community Club met for the November meeting. The committee appointed to arrange for a community Christmas tree reported that their plans were maturing and a tree would be erected and Christmas carol singing would be arranged for the November meeting.

TURKEYS SELLING LOWER THAN LAST YEAR.

The prices on turkeys, according to the first Hatfield sale, are below those of last year, ranging this year from thirty-three and one-half cents to fifty-two cents per pound.

TWO KILLED IN RAILROAD WRECK.

Two men were killed, a third probably hurt and six others more or less seriously hurt in a wrecking Wednesday evening of last week, one mile west of Annville, of the Reading Flyer, bound from Harrisburg to Reading.

ROAD BETWEEN BLACK ROCK AND PHOENIXVILLE WILL BE IMPROVED.

Some time ago Hon. Burd P. Evans, of the third Legislative district, conferred with D. C. Stackpole, district engineer of the State Highway Department, concerning the matter of substantially improving the road between Black Rock and Phoenixville.

SCHOOL NOTES.

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When I engaged my good friend, Mr. Clifton Hunsicker, to editorialize during my recent absence, it was mutually understood that he was privileged to perform the task in accord with his own liking. His series of suggestive gyrations in the latitude in which he had been asked to let himself loose abundantly testified to the full exercise of his privilege; all "without malice aforethought," mind you. And didn't he set to work chipping and fracturing about all the "china" he could locate in my editorial shop? From a superficial view-point hardly a piece of the assorted ware escaped the rush of the Hunsickerian cyclone. Even Mrs. Hunsicker failed to impress her discretionary influence. He has since recovered; the bland smile of pleasant composure has returned. My present purpose is not to condemn him; rather reason a bit with him—for he is really a right good fellow. He is not responsible for what he does not understand, nor for what he misunderstands. I am reprinting one of his paragraphs. Other of his contributions must be permitted to escape analysis. If Mr. Hunsicker had given free rein to his Republican party predilections of a very extreme type he would have found himself very much at home. Fact is, I had expected some such caper—not an exhibition of a state of mind indicated by the following lines:

But once in his life Mr. Bryan has been absolutely right. That has been in his pronouncements on the theory of evolution. The Darwinian and kindred hypotheses as to the origin of the human race are absolutely without tenable basis. If there were only one theory it would not be so bad. But there are more varieties than constitute Heinz's array of pickles. In fact no two proponents of the silly fallacy can agree. The Biblical exposition, as expounded by the Church of Christ, is the only one which any normal mind can readily accept.

It would be sheer stupidity to expect a boy of six summers to either attempt or comprehend the solution of a problem in mathematics. Mr. Hunsicker may know more about evolution than a little boy knows about mathematics, yet there lingers a suspicion that, by comparison, the boy is ahead. But remember, dear reader, Mr. Hunsicker's attitude of mind, with relation to a subject of transcendent importance, is quite popular with a great host of good people who, because of the potential influence of creedal theology, insist upon ridiculing and condemning that which they know little or nothing about. Are they to be condemned? No! But, their attitude of mind continues to guide them away from the truth. Rather they—with "normal" minds—should be implored to seek the truth. To Mr. Hunsicker, and to all others who indulge his attitude of mind, with respect to evolution, I submit the following statements from Edwin Grant Conkling, the great teacher of biology at Princeton University, as contained in the preface to the second edition of his book, "The Direction of Human Evolution":

With very few exceptions, the whole of the scientific world is convinced of the truth of evolution, and every year which has passed since the publication of the "Origin of Species" in 1859, has added to the mountain of evidence, which has been piled up in its favor. * * * Evidence is so numerous and comes from so many sources that no intelligent man can study them at first hand and not be convinced of their importance. As a consequence there is probably not a single biological investigator in the world to-day who is not convinced of the truth of evolution. * * * All the evidence available supports the theory of evolution, it continually receives fresh support from new discoveries, it is not contradicted by any scientific evidence. Can the supporters of the theory of special creation say as much? * * * Uncertainty among scientists as to the causes of evolution has been interpreted by many non-scientific persons as throwing doubt upon its truth. * * * It is not fair or honest to quote the doubts of scientists regarding the causes of evolution, as if they constituted an abandonment of the theory itself, especially when these same scientists in the same connection affirm that no informed person can doubt the truth of evolution. * * * Even progressive theology has come to regard evolution as an ally rather than an enemy. The defenders of religion can only do their cause harm by bringing against this great generalization [evolution] of science sentimental objections or supposed theological difficulties. The AIM of REAL SCIENCE, as well as of TRUE RELIGION is to know the truth, confident that even unwelcome truth is better than cherished error, that the welfare of the human race depends upon the extension and diffusion of knowledge among men, and that truth alone can make us free.

Disposition to pass sentence discarded. In substitution: I suggest that Mr. Hunsicker devote ten hours per week during a period of five years to the study (under a competent instructor) of biology, paleontology, and geology; that he confine himself to the most simple nourishing diet, (with an occasional dish of Heinz's pickles) before and after his study hours, and that he at no time indulge in exhilarants containing more than one-half of one per cent. "kick." I should dislike to regard as hopeless my dear friend's attitude of mind. Therefore, the suggestion.

THAT BRIDGE.

The contemplated new bridge over the Schuylkill at Norristown and the abolishment of grade railroad crossings have of late been voluminously discussed. In part, the discussion has revealed a disposition to compel precipitate action on the part of the County Commissioners. While certain new bridge enthusiasts may be excused for manifesting feverish excitement, at least two important facts should not be excluded from public view:

First—the present Board of Commissioners will not participate in the awarding of contracts for the proposed new bridge and for the elevated boulevards that will eliminate railroad crossings. Such participation will be required of the incoming Board of Commissioners and will constitute quite a job for the new Board.

Second—Prior to letting of contracts for the making of very important public improvements for Norristown and vicinity, the taxpayers of the county will insist upon obtaining definite information as to the sources from which the large sum of money will come for the payment of such improvements. This information will await very definite prior action on the part of the railroad companies, of the proper officials of Norristown and Bridgeport, and of the County Commissioners.

Meanwhile, flaming (if not browbeating) editorials, and ambitious interviews with railroad officials might, with due propriety and a saving of energy, be deferred for a few weeks. Hasty action will bespeak futility. Prompt constructive action after January 1, 1924 should and, let it be hoped will, largely depend upon the fairness and justice of the attitude taken by all the parties interested, and upon the application of correct and economical business methods.

FROM Detroit News: The recent exploits of this Texas oil stock gang give rise to a fear that it will try to incorporate some penitentiary and sell stock to the warden.

FROM Marion Star: The modern reform is like castor oil. It is the other fellow who needs it, must have it and we stand ready to hold his nose and make him take it.



GOOD ROADS

In 1888, Henry Coleman, Commissioner of Agriculture in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, wrote: "The rewards of agricultural labor in Massachusetts are ample. In that an industrious man may obtain by skillful and active agriculture not only a comfortable subsistence, but his gains will prove so much more than his real and reasonable wants, that in ordinary circumstances he may early enjoy the satisfaction of a domestic connection, have the means of healthful and innocent luxury, raise and well educate a numerous family, exercise a generous hospitality, and lay up a competent provision against the casualties of human affairs and the decline of life. All this may be done in the exercise of a good conscience with a single pair of hands; and with no other than the joint aid of a loving and growing household; and in such cases the ever sure blessing of a kind Providence. It is on this account, then, that agriculture deserves every encouragement that the State can give. It has likewise an intimate connection with good morals, and the support and purity of our Republican institutions."

Today Massachusetts, has one of the best of State highway systems. Though perhaps less devoted to agriculture now than then, because of the great factories which have come to her, Massachusetts has never wavered from Coleman's idea that agriculture deserves every encouragement the State can give. And there is no greater encouragement than the provision of good roads everywhere.

Doubtless Coleman hoped for, in 1888, what we hope for now, "a paved United States in our day." His hope was doomed to disappointment. But this is 1923, not 1888. The United States has the money, the people, the votes, the engineers, the roads to improve. All that stands between us and that paved United States, which will indeed give to agriculture every encouragement the country can give, is the inertia of the old idea, and the completion of the education of us all that what we want, need, must have, is national highways and good roads everywhere.

Excelsior U. S. IN ROADS? France has 24,000 miles of national highways, 160,000 of departmental and intercommunal highways and 185,000 miles of parish or vicinal roads. The national highways approximate, six and one-half per cent of France's highway system.

There are running on the roads of France 900,000 motor cars, less than one per mile of road.

The United States has 2,881,198 miles of roads, of which a tiny small fraction of one per cent might be denominated national highways by a stretch of the imagination, which would include roads in national parks and on such reservations as the Canal Zone and the District of Columbia under the term "national highways."

The United States has 13,000,000 motor cars running upon its highways, or more than four per mile of road.

Is there any really good reason why the United States should do less in transportation for its people than France? The paved highways of France saved that nation when nothing else could save her! Only the fact that she could transport her armies, her ammunition, her supplies with rapidity and dispatch, saved her from the German attack. Had she had such roads as we have, she would be today beneath the terror of the German attack.

It is no argument to say that we do not need national highways, because we are not neighbors to countries which might attack us. France did not build and does not maintain her national highways merely for strategic reasons. She builds and maintains them for economic reasons. If thrifty France can find economy in the national highway idea, why can not the United States find the same benefit in the same idea?

WHAT IS OLDEST KNOWN ROAD MATERIAL? Doubtless the oldest material for a road was wood, in the form of branches laid across muddy stretches of paths, much as the familiar "corduroy" road is still made to-day in backwoods districts.

But the oldest hard road material is stone or brick, and among the claimants for hoary age in considering the first forms of built highways, is asphalt. Some commentators of the Bible claim that the word "slime" in the quotation "slime had they for mortar" to build the Tower of Babel should be translated as "bitumen," which is asphalt.

However that may be, there is no doubt about the translation of an inscription found on a paving block in Babylon. It reads: "Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, he who made Esagila and Ezida glorious, son of Nabopolassar, King of Babylon. The streets of Babylon, the procession Street of Nabu and Marduk, my lords, which Nabopolassar, King of Babylon, the father who begot me, has made a road glistening with asphalt and burnt brick; I, the wise supplicant who fears the streets and burnt bricks, a mighty superstructure of shining dust, made them strong within with bitumen and burnt bricks as a highway road. Nabu and Marduk, when you traverse these streets in joy, may benefit from me rest upon your lips; life for distant days, and well-being for the body. Before you I will advance upon them. May I attain eternal age!"

Those who traverse smooth asphalt streets in cities are thus linked with an era of at least 500 years B. C. in the roads they use, although from ancient times until about 1855, asphalt, then to be obtained only from nature (It is now a product of petroleum manufacturing process) was neglected as a road material.

AMERICAN LEGION NOTES

Oklahoma, Okla., Nov. 17.—More than 600 billboards throughout Oklahoma shouted the praises of the American Legion in a recent membership drive. The use of the billboards was given without cost to the Legion State Department by the Oklahoma Post-Advertising Association. The only requirement was that the state department buy the posters. The exhibition space on the 600 billboards for one month, during which time the Legionnaires were, is valued at more than \$2,000, and greatly assisted a membership campaign.

Boston, Mass., Nov. 17.—Lafayette post, American Legion, composed of 1,500 local policemen, is taking steps to protect members of the local police department from alleged unjustified charges against many of them. A resolution adopted by the post declares that indictments against members of the force almost invariably have been thrown out of court, or, when brought to trial have resulted in full exoneration of the accused parties. Such clearing of names, however, it was stated, has failed to reimburse the victims for loss of time, legal expenditures and injury done their reputations. The resolution states that members of the post will give the fullest co-operation in reading off such attacks before they result in official action.

Saranac Lake, N. Y., Nov. 17.—A proposal to use part of the New York State Forest Preserve for development of water power, has met with opposition from members of the American Legion post at Saranac Lake, on the ground that the value of the region as a tuberculosis sanitarium might be destroyed. A colony of ex-service men, of whom 450 are hospital patients, has been established in the pine woods and there, every winter veterans are fast regaining their health. These men claim that construction of a reservoir would bring the shore-line within a few hundred yards of the hospital and would result in dampness that might bring death to the men in the colony. The question is to be submitted at a special election of the state.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 17.—Members of the University of Idaho, are co-operating in securing subscriptions with which to erect a \$200,000 armory building in memory of the students and alumni who died in the world war. More than 1800 pledged \$10 each at the opening of the campaign, and a thorough canvass is to be made of the 3500 former students of the school. The American Legion will take an active part in raising the necessary amount. Workers will go throughout the state to secure pledges to the fund.

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Augustus Lutheran Church, Trappe, Rev. W. C. Pegey, pastor, Sunday School at 9 o'clock, preaching at 10:15 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; teachers' meeting on Wednesday evening, 7:45 o'clock.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. Arthur C. Ohi, pastor, Sunday School, 9:30 a. m.; church service, 10:30 a. m. Workers' Conference, Wednesday evening, 7:45 o'clock.

St. James' Church, Parkersburg, Evansburg, Rev. Charles F. Scofield, Rector, Services Sunday morning at 10:30. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

St. Eleanor's Church, Roman Catholic, Mass at Collegeville every Sunday at 8 a. m. and at 10 a. m.; William A. Buesser, Rector.

Evansburg M. E. Church—Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m.

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A man from one of the smaller towns was in for the Fall Festival last week and went through one of the local newspaper plants. He was very much impressed with the size of the composing room, and as he looked around on the great array of linotype machines he turned to the reporter who was showing him around and asked, "How many men work here, anyway?" "The boss says about 10 per cent of those employed," he replied.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Her Father's Bark

By H. LOUIS RAYEOLD
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The proprietor of Shadow Mountain Inn sat at his breakfast table alternately opening mail and stowing away a substantial meal. It was decidedly pre-season that he and his daughter Sylvia were the only occupants of the big dining room, which was built out over the lake and afforded an appetizing view of blue lake, forested islands and dim hazey peaks backgrounding the lower hills of the opposite shore.

Sylvia, immersed in her own thoughts, paid little attention to her father's running commentary on his correspondence, which dealt mostly with the reservations of would-be vacationists at the inn.

Suddenly, however, she jumped. "Dad!" she exclaimed in startled wonder, for her father had uttered a peevish word, hinged on the letter which she had just opened. It was regarding an open letter with wrath that threatened to become even more explosive. "What is it, dad?"

"Of all the cast-iron nerves," thundered her father, "wants a job, does he? Had the pleasure of towing the Shirley, did he? Would like to have a talk with me, would he? Well, he shall, and hear what I think of him. Soaked me twenty dollars for a tow, and last summer because an idiot nephew doesn't know a crank shaft from a piston ring!"

Drake Stuart flipped the letter over to his daughter still growling.

The incident still rankled. It had occurred the previous summer when Carter Stuart, Drake's nephew, whom he had hired to run his party launch—though he knew next to nothing about marine engines, especially broken-down ones—had taken a tow of young people eight miles down the lake on a picnic.

Picnic over, the engine refused to budge for the homeward trip. Carter tinkered at it ineffectually. His party, growing restless, hailed a passing boat, which wheezed them aboard but could not tow the larger launch. Promising to send help from the inn, the passengers departed. Darkness was fast falling when a powerful motor boat swung into the bay.

Carter described the episode to his uncle with bitterness. "One of those rich guys from the harbor. It was blowing up some and I told him I was up against it and he asked how much it was worth to me to be towed home. He haggled and he held out for fifteen, but when I gave in and he got me here he stuck out for twenty—said that was the bargain. Nothing against it, uncle, but to turn over my week's wages that I happened to have with me. What can you do about it? Not my fault!"

Of course, what uncle had done had been to reimburse him, but between what he called his aggrieved relative and the rich guy from the harbor his vocabulary of smarting epithets was well-nigh depleted. Twenty dollars for an eight-mile tow! And now this letter.

Sylvia was reading it.

"Dear Mr. Stuart—Can you find me a job this summer? I'll do anything, but running your party boat would most hit me. Had the pleasure of towing the Shirley last summer. Would like to have a talk with you."

"JOHN PEABODY GRISWOLD."

"John Griswold!" said Sylvia to herself in amazement. She knew him. "Didn't the Griswolds lose their money or something recently?"

Her father nodded. "Yep—guess so. Hope so. Write him that I have no job at present, but—" and he laid emphasis on the words, "I'd be glad to have a talk with him."

Sylvia, who acted as her father's clerk until the regular occupant of the position arrived, sat long over the composing of the reply to young Griswold, with whom she was not unacquainted. She had thought the towing business rather shabby, but he danced—oh, wonderfully! And he smiled—oh, gloriously!

When John received her note, he smiled contentedly. "Would like to talk with him—" So far, so good. There was lots to be said.

Sylvia was down on the dock painting her canoe on the late June morning that he arrived. She saw him swinging up the veranda and disappearing into the office. Her heart beating, she laid down her brush, followed him to the office door, and listened shamelessly. A moment later she crimsoned and fled in shame and dismay. "Oh, how could dad!"

A grievance nursed all winter, a long distance telephone that his chief of the past ten years was retiring from, a delayed consignment of tools, all wrongs—they all combined to make Drake Stuart the personification of anger.

"Well—well—well! Here's the young bandit that stung me to the tune of twenty dollars for towing of my Shirley that my nunskul nephew didn't know merely had a loose wire! Don't you know the towing rates on this lake, young man? I've been just trying to find out who the blankety-blank robber was and tell him what I thought of him. Taking advantage—"

It was right here that Sylvia had fled and that Griswold had interrupted.

"Look here, Mr. Stuart, you've got the wrong man. I towed the Shirley, but as for taking a cent—"

"Never was towed but the once," thundered the other. "Don't lie—"

The young fellow's eyes blazed. "Careful, please. Not one cent! Who told you such nonsense? That fellow you had running the launch?"

"My nephew," said Stuart. "You insinuate that my nephew—"

"You called him a nunskul yourself," the other reminded him pleasantly. "Perhaps he is a grafter as well."

Stuart choked, then seemed troubled. This young man confronting him had a way with him and a level look that his nephew Carter did not possess. And there had been that other little matter in which Carter had undoubtedly used his uncle's name to cash a worthless check.

"Besides," said Griswold, "when you hear my real reason for coming here you will see I would hardly wish to be prefaced by such an act. I am very keen about Sylvia. Yes, please hear me out. I've met her several times at the hops over at the Harbor house. Dad went to smash this winter, but he's pulling out and by fall is going

to need me in the business. Until then I've got to earn my living, and if, while I am doing it, I could forward my courtship to Sylvia, with your permission—" He paused hopefully.

Willy nilly, certain facts were penetrating Stuart's brain. His nephew had lied to him to get \$20. This young man had reason on his side. His daughter, Sylvia, deserved the best. Here was a suitor of breeding, fine family, personality, and a frank presentation of his desires which deserved kindly recognition.

Stuart was, after all, a father and a gentleman, next minute he was saying, "I fancy," he said briefly, "Hang up your hat."

A moment later Drake Stuart summoned his daughter, and John Griswold watched a slim, wet-fashed girl descend the stairs slowly.

"Sylvia," said Stuart meekly, "show John Griswold the bathhouse."

WE TAKE ALL, GIVE NOTHING

Modern Civilization Destroys Forests, Sea Food, Etc., Without Thought of Replenishing the Earth.

Once more the scientists and publicists are tuning up their voices to sing a song of warning against waste. One gathers that civilization is spending its capital like a drunkard on the destruction of forests, animals, sea food and all the rest of it, without proper care to refertilize the earth with a tithe of the goods extracted.

Such conduct would have been irremediable in the days of the ancients. Today we call it uneconomic. The language has changed from that of the heart to that of the head, but the crusaders for conservation of national resources would not be sorry if we could get back enough of that old devotional feeling to keep us from starving our mother planet.

When the wise men of Athens used to pour upon the ground a libation to the gods before draining their goblets in the free and hearty fashion of those times, what do you suppose they thought they were doing?

The custom was a dramatization of the fulfillment of man's sacred obligation to replenish the earth.

Today that obligation is no longer sacred. It has become an academic question for the economic to worry over, or the foresters, or somebody. The forests are disappearing, greatly to the detriment of soil, climate and the earth's future fertility. But it isn't a religious question.

The latest example of our criminal waste has just been announced by the United States bureau of fisheries. We're exhausting our oyster supply so far as the Maryland oyster beds are concerned. How? By not pouring a libation to the gods. By not dumping the empty shells back into the waters where the oysters live, so that the young oysters may have a firm foundation to cling to while growing large enough to grace a banquet.

The trees have begun to shed their leaves, and in every suburb the autumnal tints of the trees are a scene of burning leaves. To burn leaves is to rob mother earth of her great primal fertilizer.—New York Sun and Globe.

GIRLS ACROSS THE STREET

Who They Are Is One of New York City's Greatest Mysteries, Says Writer.

New York is a city of mysteries in more ways than one. It is an old legend that we do not know the names of the people in the next flat and, like most legends, that is not exactly true, says a writer in the New York Sun and Globe, but there is one case of anonymity which has bothered a great many New Yorkers and does not appear to have any really good solution.

That is the identification of the little stenographer who works directly across the street, or even across the street, at a window just opposite yours which is entirely destitute of sign or indication of what sort of a place it is.

More than one man has puzzled over this problem even to the extent of searching the building adjacent to discover an answer to the query in his heart, but something always seems to be coming up to block him.

More than one young man has stood long hours in front of the entrance to the adjacent building, but stenographers do not appear to look the same when they emerge in their street clothes as when one glimpses them through a glamorous window.

Probably it is the same way with young men—that they, too, go unrecognized when they stand uncertainly upon a curbstone in a cake eater's costume without the identifying eyeglasses.

At any rate it has been suggested that every business office should have some identifying sign upon its side as well as its front windows and that there ought to be some way of making the problem even to the extent of spending so much of their employers' time in friendly but futile staring across the great open spaces of downtown New York.

Genuine Admiration.

As the dancer took his fair partner down to supper, she seemed to hypnotize the waiter told off to serve them, for he seemed incapable of taking his eyes off her.

At last the dancer could stand it no longer.

"I say, my man," he observed. "What makes you stare so rudely at the lady?"

"It ain't rudeness, sir, believe me, it ain't," returned the waiter. "It's genuine admiration. This is the fifth time she's been down to supper tonight."

Couldn't Find the Tonells.

William Dillworth, seven years old, of West Union, W. Va., had his tonsils removed. Upon convalescing he thought he knew enough to perform some surgery himself. Seeking a patient, he found a dog. A few hours later he entered the office of a physician and asked him where a dog's tonsils were located. He had searched in vain for them, he informed the doctor, and, being unable to find them, he simply cut off the dog's tail.

In His Eye Thirty-Five Years.

A silver of coal which has been in the eye of one of the Wrights of Sanford, Md., for 35 years, has finally worked its way out. Mr. Wright was operating a cannery house at Choptank, Md., in 1888, when a terrific explosion occurred, wrecking the place and seriously injuring him. A short time after his eye began troubling him. A physician treated him and removed a fragment of coal from his eye.

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Quite a score of attempts have been made, for instance, to unearth the treasure alleged to be buried on Cocos Island. Yet so far the adventurers have reaped no reward for their toil. Fully \$50,000 has been wasted, again, in futile attempts to recover the "pirate's hoard" reported to be hidden near the lip of the crater of an active—very active—volcano on Pagan island, in the Ladrone group.

Still, as a set-off against many failures, there have been a few successes. There is no doubt, for instance, that a Liverpool sailor named John Adams unearthed treasure to the value of between \$150,000 and \$200,000 on Auckland island some years back, while William Watson, a shepherd, recovered in 1908 nearly a ton of gold that had been hidden on one of the Queen Charlotte islands. Likewise, two runaway seamen, named Handley and Cross, successfully located and dug up a valuable hoard on Oak island, off the coast of Nova Scotia, and this after many others had failed.

Figure This for Yourself.

Two men were angling in the river. For some time they sat in silence, smoking their pipes and watching their lines. Suddenly one of them uttered an excited exclamation and dropped his rod into the river.

"Did you see that fellow fall off that cliff over there into the river?" he shouted.

"Don't get excited, Tom," answered his companion soothingly. "It may be a cinema actor doing one of his stunts. They often make films in these parts."

"But," said the other, "supposing it isn't and that the man is really in danger?"

"Well," replied the other philosophically, "if he drowns he isn't!"

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THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER.

Stand by your town newspaper. If there is anything in your town worth talking about ten chances to one your little town newspaper had a hand in putting it there, and if there exists any unsightly or unsavory nuisance, twenty chances to one it will stay there until your town editor sees it or smells it and wipes his pen on the town board's breeches. If anybody beyond the walls of your burg ever learns that there is such a place as Belzoni it will be through the town oracle.

Every town gets its money's worth through the village newspaper. It's the guardian and defender of every interest, the forerunner and pioneer of every advance movement, and the sturdy advocate of law and order. Take it away and it would not be six months before the town would look as if it had been doped. Business would drag, society would yawn and grass would grow between the cobbles.—Belzoni (Miss.) Banner.

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OAKS

Don't forget the oyster supper Saturday evening, December 1 in the basement of the Oaks school building for benefit of the Oaks Auxiliary to the Phoenixville Hospital.

Then the next Thursday evening, December 6, the Girl's Friendly and Woman's Guild of St. Paul's church will hold a fancy work sale in the Fire hall. At this place you will have a chance to buy your hand embroidered Xmas gift. Lots of other attractions. Come and see.

On Saturday evening, December 8 the minstrels will entertain everybody who care to have a good old fashioned laugh. This entertainment will be given in the Oaks Fire hall at 8 o'clock. This show is going to be the attraction of the year and if you don't come and help the boys along you will miss some good jokes.

Next Monday evening, December 3, the Oaks Improvement Association will hold their regular monthly meeting in the Oaks Fire hall at 8 o'clock.

The Oaks Building and Loan Association met Monday evening with a full attendance of directors present. January 1 a new series will be opened. We invite you to join.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burkey and family, of Brookside, Reading, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spakeman and family, Brower ave.

Mr. Albany from Philadelphia, visited his son and family, Mr. Herbert Albany, Brower avenue, Sunday.

Mr. Allen Hanowell, of Phoenixville, is working as second trier operator on the Pennsylvania R. R. at his place. Barney McGee has returned to his former position as operator after working here about six weeks.

Mr. James Umstead, who has been on the sick list, has returned to his post of operator on first trier this week.

Mr. Robert Spakeman and family spent Wednesday in Reading.

Mr. Claire Kepling, who has been on the sick list, is out again on duty.

The Haslett Chute and Conveying Co. are making extensive repairs to their plant along the Pennsylvania R. R. They are laying a cement floor in the foundry building. They had a couple carloads of grit and cinders shipped there, also a truck load of lumber from Philadelphia. They are dividing the other large room into apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rupert entertained the following guests on Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Land, Port Providence, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Leger, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Florey, of Palmyra; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Reed and Mr. George Kneas, of Harrisburg, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stevens, of Rutherford.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Buzzard had as guests on Sunday: Miss Laura Peck and Miss Ethel Lang, of City Line, and Miss Mary Straede, of Germantown.

Mrs. Eva Sentman, who has been confined to the house with a very bad cold, is able to go out on clear days.

Mr. Clem Keller, the artesian well driller, moved his machine from Oaks to Phoenixville, Monday evening.

Mrs. Chas. Hamel, of Harrisburg, spent Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Katie Weaver.

Mr. Thomas O'Brien's new house is finished.

Mrs. Wm. Lewis and daughter Dorothy spent Sunday in Mont Clare, the guests of Mr. Elisha Hedricks and family.

Mrs. Lukens, of Spring City, spent Thursday with Mrs. Kate Miller.

Mr. Geo. Beck and family, and Mr. Isaac Dettra and wife motored to Narberth on Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Beck's relatives, the Super family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weaver, Miss Rachael Bevan and Mrs. Lambkin spent Sunday in Willow Grove, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tyson.

Mrs. Ed. Litka and daughters Grace and Carrie, Brower avenue, attended the wedding of Marie Carr and Mr. Geo. Dunn, Harmonville, Saturday evening. Miss Carrie Litka was one of the bridesmaids.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Miller, Royersford, spent Sunday evening with the Frank Weaver family.

Mrs. Thomas E. Francis, Indian Head Park, is on the sick list.

Word has been received here of the death of Mr. Stanley Bevan at El Paso, Texas, on November 5, aged 58 years. Mr. Bevan is well known in Oaks.

Miss Mabel Ashenfalter, of Washington, D. C. and Mr. R. L. Griffith and family, of Glen Riddle, spent Sunday with the Ashenfalter family.

Miss Kathryn Boyer received a dozen American beauty roses from relatives in New Jersey on Saturday in honor of her birthday.

PENN STATE SENDS STOCK TO INTERNATIONAL SHOW. The 95 head of livestock that the Pennsylvania State College will show at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, December 8 to 8 were shipped from the college last Saturday. The entire exhibit includes 85 hogs, eight cattle and three sheep.

The consignment of swine includes the carload of Berkshires that were sent to the college hog farm last spring by breeders from all parts of the state to be fitted for the carlot classes at the International. The Berkshire "porkers" average about 240 pounds and will be entered in the class for hogs under 250 pounds.

The beef herd includes several animals that were heavy prize winners on the eastern show circuit. Cedar Dell Prince, a junior yearling Angus, reigned supreme at the New York Fair and the Springfield Exposition, capturing the grand champion ribbon at both places. Two Shorthorns, two Angus, two Herefords and two crosses comprise the cattle exhibit.

The showing of sheep, in which the college has excelled in recent years, had to be reduced this year and the only entries will be in the carcass classes.

She—"Why did you send me that alarm clock for Christmas?" He—"You said you liked rings, didn't you?"—Pitt Panther.

BLACK ROCK AND VICINITY

Mrs. Rebecca Griffin returned home on Sunday after spending several weeks with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wenger and sons Ralph and Lynnwood spent Sunday with the family of Alvin Landes of Hill Top.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Smith entertained their children and grandchildren at a dinner on Sunday.

Mrs. John Longacre is recovering from a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crouthamel and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Texter spent the week end visiting relatives in New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brower, of Hill Top, are the proud parents of a son born last Tuesday.

PORT PROVIDENCE

Mrs. J. S. Thomas is improving after a serious illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Leshor Root were Pottstown visitors, Thursday.

Frank Wood and family have moved from Audubon to this place.

The sympathy of the community goes out to the relatives of little three-year-old Horn C. Vanderlicke, Jr., who met a most horrible death. The little fellow was seriously burned by the exploding of a lamp Saturday afternoon and died in the Phoenixville hospital, Sunday evening.

Mrs. John Sutton and daughter Mabel, of Reading, spent the week end with relatives here.

Miss Edna Zaun, of New Field, N. J., spent several days of last week with the Newton Ulmer family.

Misses Anna and Dorothy Hoffman were tendered a surprise party Saturday evening. About twenty guests were present.

Mrs. George Hope and son George have taken apartments in Philadelphia, after spending a month with the Jacob Brower family.

Miss Rhoda Rickards, of Royersford, spent Saturday and Sunday with Naomi Brower.

David and Bertha, the little children of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bloomer, are recovering after being threatened with pneumonia.

Miss Sara Brower has been confined to the house for several days with gripe.

Mrs. George Dobson is improving after being seriously ill with indigestion.

Relatives from Philadelphia were entertained at the John Warren home over the week end.

David Allebaugh, of Norristown, was a business visitor to this place, Sunday.

TREMENDOUS OVERSUBSCRIPTION OF BELL TELEPHONE STOCK.

Final figures of the tremendous oversubscription of the \$20,000,000 Preferred Stock offering of The Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania have just been announced. After eliminating all duplications it was found that 93,987 persons applied for from one to twenty shares of the stock. The total number of shares applied for is 624,365. As but 200,000 shares were authorized, the issue was subscribed 312 per cent. The outstanding features in this sale of stock are the facts that no one person could apply for more than twenty shares and that every dollar of the sixty-two and a half millions was sold by Bell employees. Another important consideration was that the stock was sold entirely to persons living or having their business in Pennsylvania. All of the applicants who applied for one share will receive that amount. The remainder of the issue has been allotted as follows: Those who applied for four shares or less will receive one share. Those who applied for from five to eight shares will receive two. Those who applied for from nine to twelve will receive three. Applicants for from thirteen to sixteen will receive four, and for from seventeen to twenty will receive five. There are about 25,000 Bell System employees in Pennsylvania and the average number sold by each employee was twenty-five shares or \$250 worth. It is rather difficult to conceive that 25,000 people most of whom had no sales experience, and practically none any stock sales experience, could in four days sell more than \$62,000,000 worth of securities. Bills will be sent out between December 20 and January 1. In the case of persons who applied for stock in the cash payment plan, the bill will be rendered for the full amount, and in the case of those who applied on the partial payment plan the bill will be for the first payment, on the number of shares allotted. These bills will be payable January 2. Most persons who applied for stock will not receive the amount applied for and the Telephone Company has made arrangements with the Bell Securities Company to offer to such persons, shares of American Telephone & Telegraph Company stock which at the present market price and divided rate yield more than 7 per cent on the investment. The Company plans to take orders for these shares either for cash or on the partial payment plan and will handle the entire transaction for the applicant.

IOWA CONQUERS ILLINOIS IN CORN-HUSKING MATCH. Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 26.—John Rickelman, of Mount Haver, Iowa, won what is said to be the first interstate corn-husking contest ever held in the United States when he defeated H. D. Paul, of Ipava, Ill., here today.

After deductions and corrections were made by L. D. Burnett, of Iowa State College, umpire, Rickelman was credited with having husked 44.6 bushels in two hours and 20 minutes, while Paul was credited with 40.5 bushels.

Paul's total suffered a deduction for the 63 pounds of corn he missed in his rows, while Rickelman's deductions were only 22 pounds.

Rickelman won the State tournament here Saturday. Paul represented Illinois because he had a mark of 256 bushels in 10 hours.

Sponsors of today's contest hope to make it an annual event, and to include more States in the competition in future contests.

Before you jump look for a soft place to land.

PUBLIC SALE OF FRESH COWS!

Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, at my stockyard, Perkiomen Bridge, one carload of fresh cows direct from Centre county, Pa. These cows are a lot of big milk producers, and deserve the special attention of buyers. Sale at 1.30. Conditions by F. H. FISHER.

Will be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1923, at my stockyard, Perkiomen Bridge, one carload of superior Ohio cows, selected from among the best to be found—where big sizes and big milkers grow. Come and make your selection. F. H. FISHER.

PRIVATE SALE OF OHIO COWS!

Will be sold at private sale at my stockyard, Perkiomen Bridge, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1923, until sold, one carload of superior Ohio cows, selected from among the best to be found—where big sizes and big milkers grow. Come and make your selection. F. H. FISHER.

Will be sold at public sale on MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1923, at my stockyard, 25 choice fresh and spring cows and 100 hogs, shoats and pigs. In Franklin and Cumberland counties. An all around well selected lot of stock. Come, make your choice, and put in your bids. Sale at one o'clock. Conditions by F. H. FISHER.

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NOTICE—Notice is hereby given that application has been made to the Public Service Commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, under the provisions of the Public Service Law, by THE PEOPLES TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION for approval of the beginning of the exercise of the right and privilege of operating motor vehicles as a common carrier for the transportation of persons between Phoenixville, Chester county, and Collegeville, Montgomery county, and between Phoenixville and Norristown, Pa.

A public hearing of this application will be held on Thursday, December 13, 1923, at ten o'clock a. m., in Room 496, City Hall, Philadelphia, when and where all persons interested may appear and be heard if they so desire. THE PEOPLES TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION. 11-29

FIRE TAX NOTICE—The members of the Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County are hereby notified that an assessment was levied November 15, 1923, equal to double the amount of premium per one thousand dollars for which they are insured, to pay losses sustained. Payments will be made at the Company's office in Collegeville. Extract from Charter: "If any member of the Company shall refuse or neglect to pay his or her assessment within 40 days after the publication of the same, 20 per cent shall be added thereto, and if payment be delayed for 50 days longer, then his, her or their policy will have become suspended until payment shall have been made." The 40 days' time for the payment of said tax will date from November 15, 1923. A. D. FETTEROLF, Secretary. 11-15-24

NOTICE TO GUNNERS AND HUNTERS.—Notice is hereby given that all trespassing for gunning and hunting on the premises of the undersigned is forbidden, under penalty of law. Irvin C. Brunner, Trappe, Cora Rambo, I. Powell Thomas, H. D. Allebach, Charles Hughes, Collegeville, I. A. Roslin, H. W. Flagg, J. H. Townsend, Lower Providence

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