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COLLEGEVILLE, PA., THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 1928.

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

For The Independent.

## LIFE CALLS TO ME

Life calls to me in endless ways,  
There is a nectar in the air  
When birds are singing songs of praise,  
And earth is clothed in beauty rare.  
Life calls to me to wake from sleep;  
To treasure well each fleeting hour,  
There is a trust that I must keep  
If I would add unto my power.  
My power of health and happiness,  
Provision for my future days,  
If I have these, I will possess  
Enough to serve in endless ways.  
Life calls to me to look around  
And find the lonely, poor and sad,  
Sighs that in wretchedness abound,  
And help to make their journey glad.  
It is a task that well repays,  
For time in helpful service spent  
Adds joy in endless ways,  
And brings the bliss of sweet content.  
MRS. HENRY ARMSTRONG.  
Dorchester, Mass.

## ABOUT TOWN NOTES

The water problem—editorial department.

Captain H. H. Fetterolf is indisposed, physically, and is unable to be about.

The Freed Heater Company will entertain as guests the Master Plumbers' Association of Bethlehem, to-day—Thursday.

Last Thursday Dr. Hancock, of Pottstown, removed the tonsils of Jack Buckwalter at the Pottstown Homeopathic Hospital. Dr. J. S. Miller is the attending physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Bauer and daughter Marie left town on Wednesday for New York to sail Thursday for Paris on their way home to Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Weand entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry Royal, of Philadelphia, on Sunday.

Miss Kathryn Farrar and Mr. Edwin Johnson spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. George Mahan, of Ocean City.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Stultz spent the week end in Atlantic City. Miss Ruth Fairweather, who was spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cassel, returned to her home in Lansdowne with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Fairweather, who spent Sunday with the Cassels.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Walt and daughter and Mrs. C. E. McCormick and family spent Sunday at Allenwood with Mr. McCormick whom they found improved.

Miss Carrie Kodet spent two days last week in Fairview Village with Miss Marion Undercoffler.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Butler are spending several days in the Pocono Mountains.

Miss Theresa Keyser is spending some time in Philadelphia with her aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Wanner and daughters, of Oklahoma, who are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Newton Wanner called on their aunt, Mrs. R. A. Saylor, on Saturday.

Miss Alice Detwiler and Miss Sarah Undercoffler, of Trappe, are spending the week in Atlantic City.

Miss Verda Keyser is spending some time in Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Spencer and daughter Mildred, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. Sara Whitworth, of Paoli, spent Saturday with Mrs. A. M. Ullman.

Miss Ida Fulmer, of Philadelphia, is spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kodet.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cornish spent the week end in Swarthmore with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Barr.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hilbert, of Cynwyd, and Misses Edith and Emma Hartman and Rosa Ruth, of Oak-land, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Moser on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Eubel, of Philadelphia, spent Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kodet.

Mr. Benjamin Landis and son, of Virginia, called on Mrs. Joanna Reiff on Monday.

Mr. Carl Bechtel and children are spending a week at Bettendorf, Mo.

Mrs. W. D. Remington is slowly improving from a recent operation at Montgomery Hospital, Norristown.

Mr. Howard Ellingsworth, of Philadelphia, spent the week end with Harry Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Cassel and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hartman and daughter, of Norristown, and Miss Clara Truckess, of Schwenksville, spent Sunday with Mrs. Gouldy and Mrs. Frank Clamer spent several days at the Field cottage, Ocean City, N. J.

Wm. Vandervelde attended the annual "Sixteeners" reunion of soldiers' orphans at Chester Springs on Saturday.

Charles Hunsicker is working in Badman's Garage, Schwenksville. Sunday visitors enjoying the cool breezes at Chippunk cabin, Arcola, Pa., were Mr. and Mrs. J. Howard Fennemacher included. Mr. and Mrs. Abram Landis and children, of Rahns; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, of Rahns; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Snyder, of Rahns; and children, of Norristown.

## VACATION POSTPONED

Because of the illness of Mrs. Miller, Dr. J. S. Miller has postponed leaving Collegeville for his vacation in the Pocono region until Saturday August 11. Dr. Stephany, of Roxboro, will have charge of Dr. Miller's practice until his return in September.

## FLOWER SHOW

The Flower Show, sponsored by the Community Club of Collegeville, will be held on Friday, September 7, in Hendricks Memorial Building. Details will be given later.

## CAFETERIA SUPPER

The senior adult bible classes of Trinity Sunday school, Collegeville, will give a cafeteria supper on Saturday, August 18, from 5 to 8:30 p. m., d. s. t., in the Hendricks Memorial Building. Ice cream, cake and fruit will be for sale.

## THE DEATH ROLL

Mrs. Sarah Ann Forker, widow of the late Thomas Forker of Trappe, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Skibbe, of Lansdale, in her 74th year. Funeral on Wednesday at 2:30 d. s. t. Services and interment at the Lutheran church and cemetery, Trappe; undertaker, F. W. Shalkop.

Sarah A. Wagner, widow of Charles Wagner, died Thursday evening at her home, 514 Strand street, Norristown. One son and three daughters survive. Funeral Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment in Lower Providence Presbyterian cemetery; undertaker, J. L. Bechtel.

## CONTRACT AWARDED FOR WIDENING OF OLD PERKIOMEN BRIDGE

Norristown, Pa., August 8, 1928.—This forenoon the County Commissioners awarded the contract for widening the old and historic Perkiomen Bridge. G. A. and F. M. Wagnam, of Dallastown, Pa., were the successful bidders. Their bid: \$53,520. There were three other bids, as follows: \$79,460, \$65,859, \$63,255. The Messrs. Wagnam were the builders of the Black Rock bridge and are credited with having done excellent work. They will begin the work of widening the old bridge at an early date.

## SAMUEL B. KRAMER NOW IN U. S. ARMY OFF TO HAWAII

Private Samuel B. Kramer, of Collegeville, who recently enlisted for service with the Quartermaster branch of the Regular Army, has been assigned to duty with troops in Hawaii, and has left New York city aboard the United States Transport "Chateau Thierry" for Honolulu. Upon his arrival at Honolulu, Private Kramer and the young men who sailed with him will be assigned to units in the Hawaiian Islands, located at posts which generally lie adjacent to internationally famous resorts and tourist shrines. Soldiers on Hawaiian duty enjoy unusual recreational privileges, there being provided for them summer rest camps where all may go for a two-week period during vacation time. Always within reach is the farthest beach of Waikiki, and the surf bathing resort at Haliwa. Private Kramer will remain in the Hawaiian Department for approximately two years, when he will be returned to the United States for discharge, having in the meantime enjoyed a ten thousand dollar outing, including a visit to Panama and San Francisco, at the expense of Uncle Sam.

## JACK DAVIES BREAKS LEG IN FRIENDLY WRESTLING BOUT

Jack Davies, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Davies, of Collegeville, suffered a broken leg while engaged in a friendly wrestling bout with Walter Engel, a friend, at the La Rose poultry farm, Collegeville, where both were employed on Monday afternoon. Dr. W. Z. Anders removed the fracture after members of the La Rose family had rushed the injured youth to the physician's office. An x-ray picture was taken on Monday evening at Montgomery Hospital which revealed a compound fracture of the left leg several inches above the ankle. Young Davies had his other leg (the right limb) broken four months ago in a bicycle crash on Main street when his bicycle struck the parked car of Wm. McFarlan. The youth is confined to bed at the home of Mrs. John Krause. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Davies, are employed at Mrs. Krause's Arcadia restaurant.

## BOY SCOUT NEWS

The Collegeville Scouts who were spending two weeks at Camp Delmont, returned home with their Scoutmaster on Saturday.

Jack Freed, Don Beacraft and Raymond Price succeeded in getting their camp letters, which are awarded to those Scouts who successfully pass the tests in the courses of instruction prescribed in the camp program. These courses are entirely optional and include swimming, diving, rowing, seamanship, first aid, handicraft, nature study, and numerous other things a good Scout can make use of. It is only the morning hours at camp which are devoted to these more serious things, while the afternoons and evenings are spent at games and campfires, making it possible for boys of varying tastes and inclinations to derive some pleasure or benefit from a stay of a week or two at camp. In fact it is the boys who take the most interest in the camp activities who are usually the most pleased and contented with the camp life.

Scout Philip Regar passed his Senior Red Cross Life Saving Test, and was awarded the emblem by the official examiner of the Red Cross who is on duty for the season at Camp Delmont.

To the hosts of relatives and friends who remembered us while at camp, we want to again express appreciation. And many thanks to "The Independent" for publishing from time to time our camp news, as well as for sending us copies of our home paper.

C. H. REGAR, Scoutmaster.

## GRATERFORD NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. David Copenhaver, of Washington, D. C., are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Herbert Hunsberger and family returned to Dayton, Ohio, after spending a week with relatives and friends here.

Joy riders stole the coach of John W. Hampton, of Stowe, drove it 150 miles and abandoned it in Pottstown.

## COLLEGEVILLE TOWN COUNCIL BUSINESS PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Town Council of Collegeville was held Friday evening. The transaction of routine business—the granting of orders for the payment of bills, and reports of committees—was followed by discussion relating to the borough interests. It was stated that the floating indebtedness of the borough approximated \$9,000 in consequence of the cost of permanent street construction. Since there is likely to be any additional permanent construction street work done for several years, it is probable the present temporary indebtedness can be cancelled without an increase in the tax rate, by exercising prudence and economy. It was suggested that an electric traffic signal be erected at Main street and Fifth avenue—a notoriously dangerous crossing. A red light will halt motor drivers and will in large measure hold in check reckless driving at that point. It will be easier to halt than pay a fine. The suggestion was most favorably received, and an effort will be made to put it into effect. The issuing of permits by the Secretary to persons contemplating making street excavations, provided for in an existing ordinance, was again discussed, and the Secretary was directed to procure the necessary permission blanks. Hereafter persons disturbing street surfaces without first securing a permit will take upon themselves the risk of digging down into their "jeans" on account of expenditures extra. The establishment of street front building lines was once more discussed, but no definite action was taken. In the matter of taking care of the water (during heavy rains) on Second avenue, at last a definite plan appears to be in sight of materialization. At present the water conducted through a pipe under the avenue gushes onto lands owned by Jonas P. Fisher and Frank W. Gristick, and has wrought considerable damage. It appearing to be impracticable to conduct the water along the upper side of the avenue and into the sewer or water pipe extending under Main street to the Perkiomen, the plan now is to lay a pipe connecting with the pipe in the avenue and extending it through the lands of Messrs. Fisher and Gristick to the Perkiomen. The property owners named have expressed their willingness to make a substantial contribution toward the cost of the piping and the placing of it. The consummation of the plan is now in the hands of the street and road committee. The town water supply problem?—editorial department.

## ANNUAL SUMMER ASSEMBLY NOW AT URSINUS COLLEGE

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Collegeville summer assembly was opened at Ursinus College, Monday evening. The speaker at the opening session was Rev. Frederic C. Spurr, of Birmingham, England. The conference will continue all week. The chairman of the assembly is George L. Onwalek, of Ursinus College. Other speakers at the meetings of the Assembly are: the Revs. William Shergold and J. R. Ackroyd, of London, England, and the Rev. Walter L. Lingle, president of the training school for lay workers of the Presbyterian Church.

## MATRIMONIAL BONDS McAllister-Boyer

The marriage of Miss Mary Elizabeth McAllister, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McAllister, of 435 West Brighthurst street, Germantown, Pa., and Mr. Warren Whitman Boyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Boyer, of Lebanon, Pa., took place on Saturday, August 4, at 12:00 o'clock noon, at the home of the bride's parents. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Norman Stockett, of Pemberton, N. J.

## The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attired in a white chignon gown made on plain lines. She wore a white lace hair hat trimmed with tulle and orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of orchids, roses and lilies-of-the-valley.

Miss Gertrude McAllister was her sister's matron of honor and only attendant. She was dressed in yellow chiffon with a matching yellow lace hair hat and carried a bouquet of yellow lilies-of-the-valley.

Mr. Robert Boyer was his brother's best man.

A reception followed the ceremony. After a wedding trip Mr. Boyer and his bride will make their home in Germantown.

The McAllisters were for a number of years residents of Collegeville. Mr. Wm. McAllister, Jr., of Collegeville, is a brother of the bride. Rev. Stockett will be remembered as a former rector of the Episcopal church in Evansburg.

## Wedded in Old Trappe Church

A wedding took place in the old Trappe church on Monday, August 6, at 1 p. m. when Miss Ruth M. Nickel, daughter of Mrs. Mabel Nickel, of North Wales, was married to Mr. Henry B. Seller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orlanoe B. Sellers, of Perkasie, Pa.

W. O. Pegely, D. D., officiated. Mrs. Sellers, the mother of the groom, played the wedding march. The couple were unattended. They left immediately after the ceremony on a motor trip to Detroit and Thousand Islands. Upon their return they will reside in Reading. Mr. Seller is the representative of the H. E. Rollins, brokers, in the Reading district. Both the bride and groom are graduates of Ursinus College.

Charged with neglecting to have Canadian thistles removed from two farms near Reading after he had been warned, Samuel Kramer, an Ontonagon township supervisor, was held in \$300 bail for court.

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## LARGE CROWDS AT FARMERS PICNIC IN MEMORIAL PARK

The farmers and their families were outnumbered by people occupied in other vocations than tilling the soil. In the huge crowds that jammed Memorial Park, Schwenksville, at the various events connected with the ninth annual Farmers Picnic of Montgomery county on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. The crowds included people from the entire Perkiomen valley and Montgomery county. During the afternoon on Tuesday the crowd was not so large but in the evening it was estimated that about six thousand people were on the island surging hither and yon from one exhibit to another. About ten thousand people attended on Tuesday. On Wednesday attendance was slightly larger. Every available inch of parking space on the island was filled during the rush hours in the evening. The Park can accommodate 3000 cars. Many drivers finding the parking spaces filled were forced to leave their cars parked in Schwenksville and walk over to the park.

The cattle display was very fine. \$200 in cash prizes were distributed to the various Holstein, Jersey and Guernsey exhibitors. Prof. Bean, of State College was in charge of the cattle judging.

Merchandise of every description—agricultural implements, automobiles, feed, furniture, sewing machines, etc., including almost everything that a farmer or his wife might desire, were on display in the forty odd booths. Salesmen at each booth demonstrating their wares put a bazaar effect during both days.

Music was furnished by the Pottstown and East Greenville bands at both afternoon and evening concerts during both days.

Fireworks featured the close of activities each evening. Free moving picture demonstrations were given by the Philadelphia Dairy Council illustrating the production and distribution of milk from farmer to city consumer.

## Pickpockets at Work

As usual a number of pickpocket thefts were reported. Raymond Souder, a well to do farmer residing between Ziegler'sville and Perkiomen, was relieved of his wallet containing his auto cards and \$160 in cash on Tuesday evening. Another farmer suffered a \$30 loss. Several other pickpocket thefts were reported.

## NEW TWO-ROOM SCHOOL FOR MONT CLARE

At a recent meeting of the Upper Providence School Directors it was decided to ask for bids for the construction of an attractive two-room school building at Mont Clare. The board accepted the plans and specifications of Architect Watson K. Phillips, of Philadelphia. The sealed proposals will be for the general construction of a new building, warm air heating and ventilating, plumbing and drainage, electrical work, and for a school building at Mont Clare. The new two-room building when completed will form a substantial addition to the school system of the township. The building will be modern in every particular and will be equipped with toilet facilities of the latest type.

## DR. BURKE, VALLEY FORGE, SUFFERS HEART ATTACKS

The Rev. Dr. W. Herbert Burke, founder and rector of the Washington Memorial Chapel, at Valley Forge, was the victim of three heart attacks superinduced by the heat wave over the week-end. Physicians state, however that his condition is not serious. Dr. Burke, recipient of the Edward Bok award for 1928, was first stricken at his home "Defender's Gate" at Valley Forge on Saturday evening but insisted on conducting services in the chapel on Sunday. On Sunday, however, he suffered another attack and was then forced to call in Rev. N. Herbert Caley, of Oaks, who conducted the "Iowa" day services in the chapel. Monday evening the famous clergyman was stricken with the third attack but on Tuesday his condition was greatly improved again.

## DROWNED AT SANATOGA PARK

Within an hour of their departure from Sanatoga Park the members of the North Wales Baptist Sunday School on their annual picnic Saturday afternoon were saddened by the drowning of one of their members in the Park bathing pool. Morris Barrett, 18, of North Wales, was the drowning victim. Together with a companion he entered the water for a swim immediately after eating a heavy supper. It is thought he was attacked either with stomach cramps or acute indigestion. His body was soon recovered and resuscitation resorted to but the attempts to restore Barrett to consciousness were futile. While James McCarty, Park bathing beach and boat custodian, was in the water helping in the search to locate Barrett's body a thief took advantage of the situation and robbed McCarty's cash box and clothing of over \$15.

Barrett was assistant secretary of the Sunday school and was one of the most active workers in the church at the North Wales school. His two youngest sisters, Ruth and Evelyn, were prostrated with grief.

## MEMORIAL ARMY DEDICATED

The Thomas J. Stewart Memorial Army in Elmwood Park, Norristown, was dedicated with exercises fitting the occasion, and with a parade that included the entire 11th Infantry Regiment of the Pennsylvania National Guards. Norristown was in patriotic attire, with the national colors floating from business places and homes along the line of parade.

If you want something advertise for it in The Independent.

## PERKIOMEN LEAGUE BASEBALL

Perkiomen League Standing	Won	Lost	P. C.
Schwenksville	12	4	.750
Graterford	9	6	.600
Skippack	8	6	.571
Collegeville	6	9	.400
Colebrook	5	9	.357
Oaks	4	11	.267

## Next Saturday's Games

Collegeville at Skippack.  
Graterford at Oaks.  
Trooper at Schwenksville.

Collegeville furnished the best surprise in the Perkiomen league on Saturday by taking a close and well played pitchers' battle from the league leading Schwenksville club 2-1 on the Commons field. Graterford kept on Schwenksville's heels by taking an easy one-sided game from Trooper 13-7 while Oaks continued their fast pace by clipping Skippack on the chin 9-4.

Art Haas, Collegeville ace, was in rare form and was the big noise in the Colonels' win. He turned back the heavy hitting pace-setters with only seven scattered hits, no two coming in the same inning. He did not issue a walk and fanned five. Besides this Haas in his second big win over Schwenksville this season had three assists and connected with a long triple that enabled him to score Collegeville's first run. Carl robbed him of a possible homer by a wonderful running catch in deep right field later in the eighth.

Reds Wismer, the Schwenksville ace, his opponent, was also in good shape. Wismer allowed but five hits. The Colonels managed to bunch two hits in both the third and eighth innings however to win the game. Wismer did not issue any walks but failed to register any strike outs.

"Snooks" Wentzel was the next luminary to Haas for Collegeville. His two singles scored both of Collegeville's runs. In the third Snooks singled to score Haas, who had previously tripled, for the first run of the game and in the eighth "Snooks" singled to score Francis with the run that won the old ball game. Francis took first while G. Stauffer who had previously singled was being forced at second. Then Francis pulled a nice afternoon's work by stealing second and coming all the way home a minute later on Wentzel's sharp rap to right field.

Schwenksville scored their lone run in the fourth. Faust reached first on Wentzel's muff, was sacrificed to second by Carl and scored on Lin Tarleck's single to center. A snappy double play from W. Stauffer after catching Paist's fly in left cut the Schwenksville rally short. Collegeville pulled a double play and caught several Schwenksville would-be Ty Cobbs napping off the bases to

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## GUNNING LAWS FOR RABBITS AND DEER TO BE AMENDED

According to a telegram sent by J. W. E. Gable, executive Secretary of the Lake Walton League, (which organization made a strenuous fight against the open deer season and advancing of the opening of rabbit season) the new freak regulations will be knocked out and amended so as to read almost identical with the old laws regulating the game season last year.

A telegram reads as follows: "Special prorated doe licenses good only in counties where issued and where found necessary. October rabbits knocked out."

This will mean that the small game season will not open until November 1 and that it will likely close in November 30 in the past. An amended order will likely be issued by the State Game Commission in a few days. This will sidetrack the proposed experiment of opening the rabbit season on October 15 with three days of hunting on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of each week until December 15.

The regular season for the shooting of bucks will be restored and the shooting of does will be permitted only in certain districts where there is a surplus and a special permit will have to be secured by hunters. It is also rumored that several additional counties where the bucks are scarce will be closed to the hunters this fall.

## SPARE FAMILY REUNION LAST SATURDAY, AUG 4

On Saturday, August 4, the 24th annual reunion of the Spare family was held at the Lower Providence Presbyterian church. There was an attendance of 125 members to enjoy the excellent dinner and supper served by the ladies' missionary society; the program, business meeting and the games in which everyone participated. The program was opened by singing America. The address of welcome was given by the president, Mr. John S. Grater, of Trooper, Pa., after which the following program was rendered: Piano solo, "Forth Nightingale," Mrs. C. Marberger, of Trooper, Pa.; duet, "Lullaby," Misses Leah and Beryl Marberger, of Trooper; piano solo, "In Memoriam," Miss Lenora Detwiler, of Lansdale, Pa.; pipe organ solo, "An Evening," Mr. Edgar Grater, of Trooper. Prizes were awarded to the following: To the one who had the longest distance to attend, Mr. A. J. Spare, of Grafton, W. Va.; the oldest married couple present, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith, of Hazleton, Pa.; the oldest member present, Mrs. Esther Oberholzer, of Philadelphia, Pa.; the youngest member present, Robert Croft, of Skippack, Pa.; the family having the largest number in attendance, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Kratz, of Collegeville, R. D. 1. Greetings were received from members in California, Massachusetts, Ohio, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The games which were awarded to the following: To the one who had the longest distance to attend, Mr. A. J. Spare, of Grafton, W. Va.; the oldest married couple present, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith, of Hazleton, Pa.; the oldest member present, Mrs. Esther Oberholzer, of Philadelphia, Pa.; the youngest member present, Robert Croft, of Skippack, Pa.; the family having the largest number in attendance, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Kratz, of Collegeville, R. D. 1. 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## THE WATER PROBLEM.

At the meeting, Friday evening, of the Town Council of Collegeville strong sentiments favorable to obtaining a supply of pure water for the borough were expressed. In the course of discussion it was stated that the Springfield Water Company was preparing to impound water in the upper Perkiomen, in the vicinity of Greenlane, as a supply adjunct to its extensive plant along the Pickering creek, below Phoenixville. Since Saturday I have made some inquiries and have ascertained that the Company is raising the dam breast (the one next to the point where the Perkiomen unites with the Schuylkill) for the purpose of securing a considerable additional supply of water, and that engineers of the Company were making surveys at Greenlane, in consideration of the possibility of still further increasing the Company's water supply. This sounds very good—since the piping of water down the Perkiomen valley might easily afford an outlet with which to supply Collegeville with unfiltered Perkiomen water. Water from the upper Perkiomen may not be so contaminated as to require filtration. I do not know. However, I am awaiting more definite information as to plans for the future of the Springfield Water Company. Upon the receipt of this information I will resume discussion of Collegeville's water problem. Collegeville has a water problem. No doubt about that.

## PRETTY GOOD POLITICAL SENSE, MY BOY!

Editor Irwin Heywood of the Conshohocken Recorder is one of Dad's boys, in excellent standing. Though at times an ultra partisan Republican he is quite capable of evidencing fine common sense in analyzing political situations. Here is an instance: There has been much "flubdub" and "bunk" in circulation about Republican centres of wisdom and unwisdom to the effect that Mr. Hoover would rupture the solid South, this Presidential year of grace and unholliness, and win out in several of the States of sunshine and cotton. Well, Irvin says no, nothing of the kind. Note his point of view:

Southern Democrats are not pleased with the national ticket and many may refuse to support the party's candidate for President but there are State and local tickets to be elected and the South will vote the Democratic ticket to maintain the organizations. The South will not vote to give control of State and local affairs to "Southern" Republicans. It seems like very bad politics for the Republican campaign conductors to think of waging a contest in the Southern States. The Democrats should be left alone to settle their own differences.

While it is remotely possible that Mr. Hoover may win in one or two Southern States, the strong probabilities are that he will not do so, for the reasons stated by Editor Heywood, and for other reasons. Republican campaign managers had better confine their optimism and aggressive influence to a few of the really doubtful States—Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. And the Democrats might now, just as well as later, quit making a noise about Pennsylvania going the way of the Democratic party in 1928. However, this consideration is not accredited to the influence of Vance McCormick, the Democratic dude, and to McSparran, the little idol of his own creation, within himself.

## A MINISTER AND A LAYMAN.

Editor John W. Sprekel, of the Central News, Perkase, spreads the story that a Reading minister "beat up a layman" just because the layman called the minister a liar; that a hearing was had in an alderman's office, that the proceedings were "anything but elevating"—which is probable. However, Editor Sprekel hardly clarifies a mixed up situation by implying that the layman may have been wrought up to a fighting pitch because of his failure to obtain a deaconship in the minister's flock. The question of veracity raised by the layman does not seem to have percolated into Editor Sprekel's fertile brain, and just what the "righteous indignation" of Editor Sprekel's "Good Lord"—manhandling "a bunch of money changers who used the church to graft on their neighbors"—has to do with the fictitious bout between the minister and the layman, is beyond the sweep of my imagination. "The question am": Is a certain Reading minister a liar? That's the question. If he really spoke a lie to the layman, then the layman deserves the commiseration of his neighbors and friends. It's pretty tough to suffer the consequences of a lie, and get a pummeling in accentuation of the consequences. Perhaps my dear old friend Benjamin Alderfer Fryer, city editor of the Reading Eagle and duly and deservedly accredited historian of Berks county, might get to the bottom of the case of the minister and the layman. Editor Sprekel appears to have gotten onto a sidetrack.

## FROM THE WRITINGS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON.

I had rather be shut up in a very modest cottage, with my books, my family and a few old friends, dining on simple bacon, and letting the world roll on as it liked, than to occupy the most splendid post which any human power can give.—(Letter to A. Donald, Paris, February 7, 1788, Vol. II, p. 356.)

I am very sensible of the honor you propose to me, of becoming a member of the society for the abolition of the slave trade. You know that nobody wishes more ardently to see an abolition, not only of the trade, but of the condition of slavery; and certainly nobody will be more willing to encounter every service for that object.—(Letter to Mr. Warville, Paris, February 21, 1788, Volume II, p. 357.)

## SENATOR VARE'S ILLNESS.

The critical illness of U. S. Senator-elect Vare at his Atlantic City summer residence not only arouses the concern of his friends, but it also emphasizes the consideration that wealth, political and social influence and prominence in public life, all figure as futile in the preservation of good health. The destructive processes of nature take no account of human ambitions, fears, prayers and hopes.

## STATE'S FINANCES.

State Treasurer Samuel Lewis' report shows that at the close of business on July 31 there was \$45,585,975 in the general fund, a sum only \$300,000 below the peak reached on July 27. In contrasting this figure with the \$300,000 in the fund six years ago with \$18,000,000 in unpaid bills, Lewis figures the State is really \$63,000,000 "better off" now than it was on August 1, 1922.

It's all right to respect gray hairs, but it isn't necessary to throw bricks at a bald head.

## BUSINESS MEN RAISE FUND FOR CATTLE PREMIUMS

The business men of the Perkiomen Valley raised a fund of nearly \$200 to be used for cash premiums for the cattle exhibit held at the Farmers' Picnic this week. Among the contributors were Krupp's Hotel, E. L. Krupp, proprietor, Schwenksville, H. B. Kratz & Son, Schwenksville Store, A. G. Albright, Wm. Ziegler & Son, Bromer Motor Company, Perkiomen Transit Company, W. K. Schlotterer, Irvin H. Bardman, Frank Schwenk, W. W. Harley, all of Schwenksville; Frank Gristock and Collegeville Mills, both of Collegeville. Among the exhibitors of cattle at the picnic were Wm. H. Landis, East Greenville, registered Holsteins; Isaiah Cassel, Harleysville, registered Guernseys; Hansel French, Collegeville, registered Jerseys; J. L. Wood, Red Hill, registered Holsteins.

## 400 COWS TESTED IN JULY

The July report of the Montgomery Cow Testing Association No. 1 indicates nearly 400 cows tested for milk and butterfat production that month. Three unprofitable cows were disposed. 538 cows qualified for the honor roll for having produced over 40 pounds of butterfat. 64 cows in the 24 herds tested by Mr. F. E. Martin produced over a thousand pounds of milk.

The highest milk and butterfat producer in all the herds was a registered Holstein No. 9, owned by Wm. H. Landis, of East Greenville that produced 2155 pounds of milk and 80 pounds of butterfat on three milkings a day. A registered Guernsey, Caribou, owned by the Shipley School of Gladwyne, was second highest butterfat producer having a record of 74 pounds. The Camp Discharge Farm of Conshohocken, with a registered Guernsey, Duchess, was third highest with a record of 56 pounds of butterfat. The Normandy Farms of Gwynedd took fourth, fifth and sixth places as three grade Guernseys in the herd produced 55, 53 and 52 pounds of butterfat respectively.

The highest herd average milk production was made by a herd of 13 registered Holsteins owned by H. L. Baker, of Center Square, that averaged 950 pounds of milk for the month. Ursinus College with a herd of 18 registered Holsteins was second highest with an average of 878 pounds of milk. The Shipley School herd and the A. K. Rothberger herd of Center Point, were third and fourth highest in average milk production.

Four herds in the association averaged over a pound of butterfat per cow for each day on test. The Shipley School with 10 Guernseys averaged 36 pounds of fat while the H. L. Baker Holstein herd was second with 34 pounds of fat. The other two herds that averaged over a pound of fat a day were the Willow Creek herd of 22 animals and the Camp Discharge herd of 24 registered Guernseys.

Following are of the list of herd owners with cows that qualified for the honor roll for having produced over 40 pounds for butterfat for the month: Ursinus College, Collegeville, 3 registered Holsteins; H. D. Allebach, Trappe, and H. L. Baker, Center Square, each 3 registered Holsteins; W. C. F. Randolph, Royersford, R. D. 4, registered Jerseys; A. D. Hunsicker, Royersford, R. D. 4, grade Holsteins; C. E. Longacre, Royersford R. D. 1, registered Holstein.

## COUNTY'S OLDEST RESIDENT AGED 102 YEARS

Miss Mary A. Knapp, Montgomery county's oldest resident, was 102 years old last Saturday. In good health, keenly interested in life, she received the congratulations of her relatives and friends at the old family home in Montgomery Square, where she has lived continuously since 1835. Her nephew, Chas. Howard Knapp, who takes care of the family home and farm, and her other relatives furnished a family dinner in the evening with a birthday cake on which burned 102 candles, 100 small ones and two large ones. Miss Knapp works occasionally in her flower garden, which is her special pride. She was born on a farm four miles from Baileyville, in Center county, August 4, 1826. Her father bought the old stone dwelling where she lives and many acres of farm land in 1835, and continued to live there for the remainder of his life. Miss Knapp is barely five feet tall and weighs little more than 100 pounds.

## RAILROAD WORKER RETIRED AFTER 43 YEARS

John M. Supplee, of Pottstown, after working 43 years on the Reading railway, passed the saddest hour of his long period of toil when he was notified that he must quit and be placed on the company's retired list. Mr. Supplee declares that he is still physically fit at 70, and added: "I'm good for 15 more years, but the company rules say not." He reached 70 years on July 21.

## DIVORCE GRANTED

Mrs. Helen Burke McKee, of Media, was granted a divorce from Wilbur Kaylor McKee, formerly a Royersford preacher and at present a teacher of English in a Philadelphia educational institution, by Judge J. M. Broomall, of Media. Mrs. McKee charged her husband with cruel and barbarous treatment, indignities to the person and named Miss Olive Fries, a school teacher of Lansdowne, as co-respondent.

## CHILD ABDUCTED

A three year old child was abducted Sunday night while at play along West Penn street, Norristown. An hour later, a Philadelphia girl and a man who defiantly refused to give his address were arrested as they stepped from a P. and W. train at the Sixty-ninth street station, with the kidnapped youngster in their possession. The child is Caroline Taylor, daughter of Mrs. Ada Taylor, 1621 Vine street, Philadelphia, who has been in the custody of Mrs. Anna Evans Bonfi, 141 West Penn street, Norristown. The pair under arrest are Marion Brunner, twenty years old, of 2654 North Sixteenth street and B. A. Davis, twenty-six, who gave no address. The motive for their seizure of the child is a mystery which police are trying to solve, while the pair are being held in the county jail, without bail, awaiting a hearing before Magistrate Frank J. Clark.

## NEW LAKE WALLENPAUPACK IN THE POCONOS NOW OPEN

Lake Wallenpaupack, now the largest body of water in Pennsylvania, was opened to the public August 1 for boating, swimming, fishing and other recreation, and as a resort will doubtless take a leading place immediately.

The lake, covering 6800 acres with a shoreline of fifty-seven miles, has been in the process of formation for the last six years. It was created by the Pennsylvania Power and Light Company in connection with its giant power and light supply project for scores of communities in Eastern and Central Pennsylvania.

The waters of Wallenpaupack Creek, near Hawley, were dammed and the lake formed in a natural basin in Pike and Wayne counties. Today it averages two miles in width, contains 71,000,000 gallons of water and has an average depth of fifty feet and is over 15 miles long.

Through the co-operation of the Pennsylvania Power and Light Co. and State officials four locations on the lake shore have been set aside for public use and drinking water facilities have been provided for campers. There are also three islands in the lake.

For three years the State Board of Fish Commissioners has been stocking the lake so that today its water constitutes a veritable fisherman's paradise—a well-stocked pool where no one has ever fished. Large bass, catfish, sunfish, yellow perch and pike perch abound.

Recently there have been placed in the lake 5,000,000 pike perch fry, 2,000 adult breeding pike perch, 19,000,000 yellow perch fry, 500 adult breeding bluegill sunfish, 15,000 bass and a supply of minnows.

The high walls of the enormous dam—1280 feet long and 70 feet high, 100 feet wide at the bottom and twenty feet wide at the top—hold in check enough water to furnish motive power for two large turbines in the powerhouse below in the valley three and one-half miles away.

A feature which emphasizes the foresight of the engineers is a cavern-like tunnel in the base of the dam, patrolled by a watchman who can tell at a glance the source of a leak.

As the water leaves the lake, it is carried down the mountain three and four-tenths miles to the powerhouse by a flume in which the water gains a velocity of eleven feet a second. The flume, like an enormous caterpillar sprawled along the mountainside, takes the water on a drop twice the height of Niagara.

The remarkable part of the entire project is the fact that the surrounding hills and mountains formed a natural basin—located high in the mountains—requiring but one short dike 1000 feet long to form such a huge lake. The dam is located above the crest of the famous Hawley falls. The Wallenpaupack has been almost dried up by the dam and the falls are no longer the scenic beauty they were before the coming of the dam, although the dry falls and river bed make a very unusual sight. All the fish were taken out of the dry river bed below the dam and put in hatcheries and later released in the new lake.

Lake Wallenpaupack is located about 120 miles from Collegeville and may be reached by excellent roads through the Pocono Mountains. One of the most picturesque routes from the Parkersburg Valley to Lake Wallenpaupack, is to Bethlehem, then via Wind Gap and Snyder'sville to Bartonsville on the Lackawanna Trail. The route turns left at the latter town and the trail is followed past Mount Pocono to a point just west of Gouldsboro. Thru this place a smooth macadamized road leads into the forests and directly to the headwaters of Lake Wallenpaupack. The highway then continues for thirteen miles along the lake shore to the dam, which is located a bit more than a mile southwest of Hawley.

## REASONS FOR EARLIER SEASON TO SHOOT RABBITS

Harrisburg, Pa.—In order that the reasons for the early season on cottontail rabbits for 1928 may be more generally understood by sportsmen, particularly those residing in the southern counties of the State, the Board of Game Commissioners has announced that an earlier season was provided to give sportsmen in the northern counties a little additional hunting, in view of the fact that weather conditions during November are not suitable for good rabbit hunting and since woodcock have for the most part migrated to more southerly regions by the first of the month. Consequently, to be fair to the southern half of the State, it was felt advisable to extend the season from December 1 to 15, with a six-day-a-week hunting period, thus giving the southern counties an opportunity to hunt rabbits while weather conditions in the northern counties are unfavorable. When the cold and snow set in rabbits hole-up during the day, and hunting them at such times is unsatisfactory.

Since the open season for small game begins on October 15, with a three-day-a-week hunting period, this means only six days of legal hunting days during October. Granting that the first three-day week in October may be comparatively warm, at least in southern counties, it was pointed out that the latter part of the month is often virtually as cold as the first half of November.

The early season will permit sportsmen in northern counties to get a good bag, while hunters in the southern counties will have no trouble in getting their sport a little later in the fall. The commission feels that once these reasons are clearly understood the sportsmen protesting the early season in southern counties will be willing to cooperate to the fullest extent.

## CUPBOARD SOLD FOR \$200

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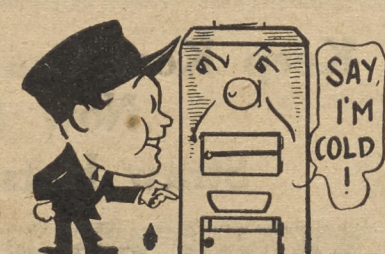
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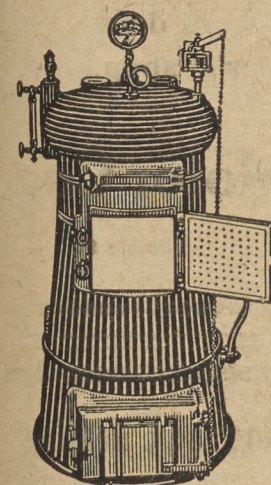


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## THE LONE WOLF

(By D. J. Walsh.)

THERE was a crackling of snow as two figures pushed their way through the underbrush down to the edge of the lake and there paused to brush the still clinging masses of white from their leggings and to fasten their skates firmly and securely to their heavy homemade boots. They then shot out across the smooth frozen surface almost as buoyantly as birds, and almost as naturally, the sharp click, click of their steel runners clear and musical in the crisp, still air.

"This is better," one of them called to his companion, with an infection of satisfaction in his voice. "Twenty minutes more and we can be at home."

"Yes, ten miles this way is easier than one plowing through the woods," rejoined the other cheerily. "But won't father be glad to know that everybody is coming?"

Since early morning they had been scouring the surrounding country—up the lake and down, to this trapper and that, back into the interior to various farmers and squatters, to Stebbins, who kept the store at the crossroads; to Anson Perry, the fur-trader, and even to the half-breed at the foot of the hills—bearing the message that a meeting would be held at their house on the following Sunday and that Doctor Bates himself would be there to speak. And every one of them, not even omitting the half-breed, had promised to come.

Side by side the boys sped on, the miles slipping away easily behind. Now and then a point of land rushed up and past, dim and shadowy in the white light of the moon, and then twice in the far distance they heard the sinister voice of some night-prowling animal. On and still on, and then through the crisp air came the sharp click of other skates, followed by the glimpse of a dim figure, which rapidly grew plainer as it approached.

As it came near one of the boys said "Aunt Roxy" and the other added, "Going home to see her mother," and then the figure shot past, waving its hand and smiling brightly, and they raised their fur caps and flew on, feeling a sudden glow of pleasure at the unexpected meeting. Everybody knew and loved Aunt Roxy, the neighborhood "aunt," who went from house to house doing sewing or nursing, and who, in spite of her fifty-odd years could still give the boys and girls something to do when she was skating with them. Now she was on her way to spend the holidays with her mother at the foot of the lake. Everybody knew she was going and everybody wished they could be there to see the meeting.

One, two, five minutes passed, and then came a long, menacing howl which made the boys shiver involuntarily and bend forward to their work. They knew that voice. Every winter, when snows grew deep and food scarce, wild animals were accustomed to make predatory incursions from their northern fastnesses, and among them it was not uncommon to hear the howling of wolves. But this was not one wolf of an ordinary pack, but an outcast from its own kind, grown fierce and more cunning through its isolation. All the country round had learned to fear him and to hunt him, and to lay traps for him—but so far in vain. The boys' faces grew tense as they sped on, and they listened, almost with bated breath, for the swift following of footsteps behind. Ordinarily they would not have run from one wolf, but this was different, almost as dangerous as an entire pack. And, besides, they were unarmed.

But suddenly one of them cried "Aunt Roxy!" and then both sunk their skates deep into the ice and came to an abrupt stop. A quick look into each other's eyes and then they whirled and sped back over the course they had just come. That long, exultant howl had meant more than mere defiance; it proclaimed the discovery of prey. Aunt Roxy had gone in that direction and the wolf had scented her trail.

Scarce a minute had passed since the first howl of discovery, but only too well they understood what even that might mean. Side by side, with hands forward and elbows pressed to their sides, their skates clicking sharply and regularly, they flew on, having no further thought of themselves, but only of the woman on her way home to spend the holidays. She was a woman with little knowledge of wild animals, while they were strong young fellows accustomed to hunting.

If any plan of action flashed through their minds it was to draw the attack of the wolf, and then to lead it away to some other part of the lake. They were accounted the swiftest skaters in all the country round, and on a fair field of ice, with no obstacles, felt that they would stand a fair chance with even the "Lone Wolf," as he was called. Perhaps they might outdistance him and then circle back and escape. Of course, if a skate strap should break or any one of a possible dozen accidents happen—but they would not think of that.

Almost as the thoughts flashed through their minds they saw him ahead, his nose in the air and his ears forward. Evidently he had heard the sharp ringing of their skates and was waiting to see what it might portend.

As they sped straight at him, swiftly, unswervingly, another wolf would have turned and fled. This one moved toward them slowly, his head up, showing his teeth.

But as they rushed on to within twenty yards, ten yards, five yards, implacable, silent save for the clicking of their skates, even the Lone Wolf's front began to waver. What did it mean? He was accustomed to see people turn and fly, or at least hide behind trees or rocks and shoot at him. But these did neither; they were rushing down on him as though perfectly sure of the result—as, of course, they were, otherwise they would not do it.

And apparently with this conclusion Lone Wolf's last vestige of bravado gave way, for he turned and fled incontinently down the lake. The boys gave one ringing shout and followed. But as they flew on they wondered how the thing would end. It was more inspiring to chase than be chased;

but they knew enough of wolf nature to feel assured that the moment they stopped the wolf would stop also, and the moment they turned back he would follow. And as the animal seemed to have no trouble keeping ahead of them now, they wondered a little uneasily how it would be in case they were pursued.

However, there was small danger of that so long as they pressed him closely. He was running now with nose to the ice and ears flat, the very emblem of caution, but he was not a mile was passed in this way—two; and then Lone Wolf swerved in toward a long, narrow cove, beyond which lay the denser forest and his stronghold.

On and still on, and now the boys were chuckling over their better escape than most wolves'. By this time Aunt Roxy was too far away to be in danger; besides, if the animal had not already forgotten her scent, it would take time to recover it. Once or twice they slackened their speed, without stopping to let him increase the distance up the lake. But the second their speed decreased his decreased also, and they could see him turn back his head inquiringly. Then they sped forward again, more impetuously than ever. His fear was their only safety now. That gone, they could not start against him without weapons; and they were not as confident about distancing him on skates as they had been.

On and still on, and at length they saw the faint glimmering light of a camp fire in the distance. It rushed toward them, and then the boys saw the light of a locomotive; but the wolf, with his head turned back, fearful and yet suspicious of his pursuers, did not see it until too late to turn aside. As he reached the circle of light and swerved sharply at right angles, it counted them there came a flash and report, and with one convulsive bound he rose into the air and then fell back upon the ice motionless. A second later the boys came to a stop beside him.

"Too late, pardners," the owner of the campfire called, gruffly, as they peered now. "I shot him." Then, as he came forward, "Hello, Ed and Alf Green! You here? What you doin' huntin' a critter like Lone Wolf in the night? Where's your guns?"

"Haven't any," Ed answered, coloring a little. "I shot him with a knife, even a jackknife." Then he told of their meeting with Aunt Roxy, and the subsequent chasing of the wolf. The man listened incredulously at first, then derisively, then with something else coming into his deep-set eyes. "It's the craziest, most idiotic, fool-shest—" He stopped suddenly and placed a hand upon each of the boys' shoulders, "bravest thing I've come across. I'm glad Aunt Roxy's all right. She nursed my little girl back to life once. But come up to the fire and let me see your knife. It's just ready. Then I'll skin the wolf and after that go back home with you. Mebbe there's more wolves prowlin' round, an' it's jest as well to have somebody along with a gun. Chased old Lone Wolf clean across the lake without a gun, and jackknife! H'm, h'm! Most idiotic—h'm—bravest thing I ever knew!"

### WIFE FELL OUT OF CAR HUSBAND DROVE ON

Theodore Marchuk of the Frankford section, Philadelphia, was a surprised young man early Sunday when he stopped his car in front of his house, turned around to help his wife alight and discovered she had disappeared. A few moments later, racing madly over the ground he had just covered, he found Mrs. Marchuk lying on the pavement at Torresdale avenue and Hollerman street, cut and bruised. At the Frankford Hospital, Marchuk told attendants he believed his wife had walked out of the car in her sleep. After her injuries were dressed she was able to return to her home.

### CHEVROLET ASSEMBLY PLANTS

The formal opening during the past week of the Chevrolet assembly plant in Atlanta, Ga., coming at a time when a similar plant is under construction in Kansas City, is further indication that there is to be no let down in the company's extensive sales program. The mammoth Atlanta plant, which has been in operation since May 1, is capable of turning out 350 cars a day, and was the sixth assembly plant to be opened by Chevrolet in this country. The Kansas City plant with the same capacity will be the ninth.

### WEEKLY HEALTH TALK

The other day the newspapers carried a story of a man who was bitten by a tarantula while he was unloading bananas. Fortunately, prompt medical attention saved the victim's life. While tarantulas are very seldom found away from their native clime, even in banana bunches, and the danger to Pennsylvanians is thus negligible, people must realize that the summer season is the open one for lesser pestiferous insects and flies," says Dr. Theodore B. Appel, Secretary of Health.

"The keenness that the mosquitoes and other bite-dealing bugs display for human beings is so well, painfully and generally appreciated that it seems almost absurd to mention it. But in this connection the important thing to remember is that common-sense does not by any means reduce the amount of damage that untreated stings and insect bites can sometimes accomplish if proper precautions to avoid evil consequences are not promptly taken.

"It is true that people can often be bitten, and except for a temporary annoyance, suffer no further ill effects. On the other hand there are many untold bites and stings, apparently harmless, that result in more involved and sometimes painful complications.

"Perhaps it may seem to be a lot of trouble to apply a soothing ointment to all stings and bites as a matter of course. However, it is the only safe process. Too frequently the minute wound, of slight consequence itself, becomes infected through scratching and much damage results.

"It is impossible to avoid insect stings at this season of the year. But their untoward consequences can be practically eliminated by the sensible practice of applying a cooling salve and attempting to reduce the most natural inclination of alleviating the itchiness by creating a finger-nail sore. If you must scratch, then cleanse the wound and apply an approved germicide. Carelessness in this matter spells risk and may cause much trouble."

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## NEWS FROM OAKS

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bechtel and family, who motored from Crawfordville, Ind., some time ago, to visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Bechtel and other relatives, left for their home Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Mary Fielding, who had been spending the past week in Phoenixville with the Rhoad family, returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Francis, Sr., Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Reinhardt and daughter Nellie, of Norristown, spent Sunday with Mrs. Reinhardt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor.

Mrs. Kate Miller returned to her home at this place after a couple of weeks visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller, of Glen Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Reinhold, of Panama, who are visiting friends and relatives in the States, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Tyde-man.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Crosscup entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crosscup, of Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hoover, of Port Matilda, who were spending a few days with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Hoover, returned to their home Sunday.

Mrs. Horace Frederick and children, Ina, George and Elizabeth, of Rome, N. Y., arrived Friday evening for a two week's visit with Mrs. Frederick's mother, Mrs. Lizzie Richardson.

Mrs. Sallie Freece and grandson, Master Allen Freece, left with the Larkin Co. on a tour to Niagara Falls and Canada on Monday morning. They expect to be gone about ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ebelhar entertained on Sunday Mr. Morris Brower, of Norristown, Miss Laura Brower, of this place, and Mr. L. Brower, of Reading.

Mrs. Harry Buckwalter and daughter Alice are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Grimley at Jeffersonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Buzzard entertained for a few days Mrs. F. Anderson and Mrs. Claire Keplinger, of Norristown.

Mr. and Mrs. Irvin H. Campbell and family left Saturday morning for a two week's stay in Ocean City.

Miss Kathryn Benham, of Phoenixville, called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Benham on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. A. D. Hunsicker, of Black Rock, was calling on friends in this place Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Spackman and children spent a couple days in Reading with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman McCurdy and daughter spent Sunday afternoon in Norristown, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John McCurdy.

## ITALIAN U-BOAT SUNK

### CREW OF 31 FOUND DEAD

Rome, Italy, Aug. 7.—The Italian submarine F-14, with its crew of 31 dead from poisonous gases, was brought to the surface of the Adriatic tonight, from which it had sunk after a collision 34 hours before. The weary salvagers, who had performed almost a naval miracle in retrieving the submarine from a depth of 130 feet, peered hopefully into the open hatch only to find they were gazing into the tomb of their comrades. They had been forewarned of the tragedy when, during the afternoon, the submarine telegraph signals from the stricken craft had suddenly ceased. They continued to drive at their task, however, in the hope that the ominous silence meant simply that the crew had withdrawn to a safer part of the submarine, or at worst, that they were simply weakened by the difficulty of breathing in the fouled air.

At least a few of the crew were believed to have escaped the torture of the helpless wait at the bottom of the sea for rescue, for the stern compartment of the F-14 was flooded when the sharp bow of the destroyer Giuseppe Missori rode over the emerging craft.

Captain Weil and Commander Passulo were the officers who died in the submarine. Normally craft of the size of the F-14 would carry 25 men, but there were several apprentice motorists on board during the battle maneuvers in which the fleet was engaged.

## VESEVIVUS IN ERUPTION

Naples, Italy, Aug. 7.—An eruption of Mount Vesuvius accompanied by explosive outpourings of lava was reported tonight by the observatory on the mountain.

The report said that a mouth of fire had opened on the southwest side of the crater from which a large quantity of highly liquefied lava had poured rapidly to form a lake about 70 meters in diameter.

From this two large incandescent torrents poured out which then invaded the western half of the crater. It was said that it was probable that during the night the flow of lava would reach the lowest edge of the crater and precipitate itself into the "Valley of Hell."

With the disturbance felt just a few years ago as precedent, it was thought that the eruption would continue for several days, but that there was no cause for alarm in the countryside surrounding Vesuvius. The disturbance began at about noon and the observatory report was issued at 9 p. m.

## LIGHTNING PHOTOGRAPHS SELF IN TEST

Lake Wallenpaupack, Pa., Aug. 7.—Lightning, flashed in a fraction of a millionth of a second, and electrical power of 2,500,000 volts, has made a photograph of itself.

For the first time in history the untamed, destructive forces of nature recorded itself in photography, when engineers of the General Electric Co., experimenting for more than three years on the 220,000-volt transmission lines of the Pennsylvania power and light system, caught a flash in a high-speed camera. The picture was taken at noon on July 27.

The record was made at noon and revealed a stroke which hit the line and in five-millionths of a second climbed to 1,500,000 volts; to 2,500,000 in a fraction of a millionth of a second more and then died down to nothing in a millionth of a second.

Kill the Weeds—Weeds allowed to grow in the cornfield rob the crop of much moisture and plant food, and make harvesting difficult. Shallow cultivation will destroy most of them.

## NEWS FROM TRAPPE

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Mrs. Walter Bloomer and son, of Phoenixville, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heffelfinger. Miss Minnie Derr and Mr. Ted Nitterauer, of Conshohocken, were their Sunday guests.

United Evangelical Church. Preaching service will be held in the United Evangelical church on Sunday, August 12, at 2:30 p. m. Sunday School at 1:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor on Sunday evening at 7:30.

The annual picnic of the United Evangelical Sunday School will be held on Saturday, August 11, at Memorial Park, Schwenksville. The truck which will convey the scholars to the Park will leave the church at 9:30 standard time.

St. Luke's Reformed Church. Regular church services on Sunday as follows: Sunday School 9 a. m.; church service 10 a. m.

Progress is being made on the new Sunday School building. The walls will soon be finished.

On Wednesday, August 1, at St. Luke's parsonage Miss Edyth B. Zimmerman and Mr. Horace L. Tomlinson, both of Newtown, Bucks county, were united in marriage by Rev. Arthur C. Ohl.

Augustus Lutheran Church. At the regular monthly meeting of the vestry of Augustus Lutheran church an order was placed to have a Wilson Kool-Drafter installed in the church furnace.

Two auto busses have been engaged to carry members and friends of the Sunday School of Augustus Lutheran church to Carsonia Park, Reading, on their annual picnic, Saturday, August 18. All those who desire to accompany the school will please report to Superintendent Brownback. Friends who are not members of the school will be accommodated on payment of a nominal price. The buses will leave the church at 8:30 a. m., standard time.

## PERKY LEAGUE BASEBALL

(Continued from page 1)

help Haas out in the pinches. Carl on one occasion when caught trying a Cobi, was caught in a wrangle with Umpire MacDonald. After threatening to halt the game he changed his mind however and resumed play.

SCHWENKSVILLE. AB R H O A E. Sterner, 2b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Longacre, 1b, 4 0 0 12 0 0. Faust, 3b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Carl, cf, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Paley, 2b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Olwever, ss, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Bracklin, 2b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Wisner, p, 4 0 0 3 4 0.

Totals, 31 7 24 10 0. COLLEGEVILLE. AB R H O A E. Wentzel, 2b, 4 0 0 2 2 1. W. Stauffer, 1b, 4 0 0 2 1 0. Goodyear, 1b, 4 0 0 11 0 0. Stoll, 3b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Hetrick, cf, 4 0 0 3 4 0. G. Dale, 2b, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Francis, cf, 4 0 0 3 4 0. Haas, p, 4 0 0 3 4 0.

Totals, 28 2 5 27 14 2. Schwenns, 1b, 4 0 0 10 0 1. Sacrifice hits—Carl, G. Stauffer, D. Stauffer, Stoll, Goodyear, Hetrick, G. Dale, Francis, Haas. Goodyear: Stoll to Goodyear. Struck out—By Haas, 6; Umpire—MacDonald.

Jack Dale's fast traveling Oaks team again stepped into the limelight by handing the skidding Skippers from Skipack a neat 9-4 trouncing at Oaks. Oaks pounded the offerings of Whites Mendenhall, Skipack ace, for 13 hits. Four of these were doubles with men on base, enough to wreck any pitcher. Glick relieved Mendenhall in the eighth. Three runs in the seventh put the game on ice for Oaks. Hen Detwiler, on the mound for Oaks was also hit hard, 13 bingles being annexed from his slants, but he managed to bear down in the pinches and was aided by wonderful support.

"Gyp" Sterner was the big noise for Oaks with four hits in four times at bat for an average of 1.000. The other two of the Oaks big three, Shaffer and Campbell, also did yeoman work with the stick. The defeat sent Skipack into third place in the standing.

OAKS. AB R H O A E. Anglemeyer, c, 3 1 0 7 1 0. Shaffer, 1b, 3 3 3 0 4 1. Campbell, 1b, 3 2 2 10 0 0. Glick, 2b, 3 1 2 10 0 0. Munro, cf, 3 1 2 10 0 0. Ziegler, cf, 3 0 0 10 0 0. Detwiler, p, 3 0 0 10 0 0. J. Dale, p, 3 0 0 10 0 0.

Totals, 26 9 24 27 12 1. SKIPACK. AB R H O A E. Himesworth, 1b, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Gambone, 2b, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Eshelby, ss, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Cash, 1b, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Douglas, 1b, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Gonder, cf, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Mendenhall, p, 4 0 0 2 3 0. Hunsberger, p, 4 0 0 2 3 0.

Totals, 29 4 13 24 14 2. Batted ball—Hunsberger, 24. Skipped, 20. Error, 0. Double play, 0. Sacrifice, 0. Hit batsman, 0. Hit pitcher, 0. Hit fielder, 0. Hit batter, 0. Hit catcher, 0. Hit infielder, 0. Hit outfielder, 0. Hit pitcher, 0. Hit fielder, 0. Hit batter, 0. Hit catcher, 0. Hit infielder, 0. Hit outfielder, 0.

Graterford held their position as runners up in the pennant race by virtue of an easy 13-7 triumph over the fast slipping Trooper club. Trooper appeared on the field with only eight players. Johnny Landis then consented to "donate" Harry Waters to fill out the nine. When Harry scored a home run in the fourth Landis gave the matter second thought.

In fact the game was an even Steven affair until the Waters home-run episode; but after that the Graterford sluggers began to see red and clubbed the ball for a final count of 17 hits and 13 runs. B. Waters and Place pitched for Trooper. McKay and Broadway Jones divided the Graterford pitching honors. Red Steiner, Trooper's heavy hitting centerfielder, started at bat with five hits out of five trips to the plate. In the opening half of the fourth H. Waters hit a weak pop back of short. Conlin lost the ball in the grass and while the entire Graterford team searched for the horseshoe Waters raced to second, then on to third and scored on a home play at the plate, giving him a homer on a ball not hit out of the infield.

GRATERFORD. AB R H O A E. Street, 1b, 4 2 2 10 0 0. Evans, c, 4 2 2 10 0 0. Conlin, 1b, 4 2 2 10 0 0. Reed, 2b, 4 2 2 10 0 0. Sopplek, 2b, 4 2 2 10 0 0. H. Waters, 1b, 4 2 2 10 0 0. B. Waters, p, 4 2 2 10 0 0. Place, cf, 4 2 2 10 0 0.

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see how easy it would be for one of the Francis boys, whose father is superintendent, to sneak into the factory and when the watchman, Mr. Sherwood wasn't looking COP the new PENNANT! And if Schwenksville would raise a howl Mr. Francis could soon have another one made for them. It's a wonder some one hasn't pulled off this stunt long ago—we've tried about everything else to get that coveted piece of "Samson" bunting.

This mythical team of BOYS (not has-beens) we contend with one season's experience of playing together could be molded into a pennant winning aggregation. Gyp Sterner is our selection as captain and field manager of the team. The entire line-up consists of boys living in Collegeville or Trappe and wouldn't cost the A. A. any "expense money" with the possible exception of Bert Garrett.