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For The Independent.

OUR BABY
Just the dearest little mite
Came from Heaven one starry night,
Not so very long ago,
And we've learned to love her so.

She's the idol of the place!
When we look on her sweet face
With her dimples and her smile,
Life indeed is well worth while.

For the home is not the same
Since our darling baby came.
She's our helpless little Queen!
Wields a mighty power unseen.

Smiling even in her sleep!
Wonder if the Angels keep
Vigil over her night and day,
Since from Heaven she came away.

Just as lovely as a rose,
From her head down to her toes!
And we heed her faintest sigh,
Soothe her with a lullaby.

MRS. HENRY ARMSTRONG,
Dorchester, Mass.

ABOUT TOWN NOTES

Miss Katie Rahn, of New Center-ville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Poley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ebert spent the week-end in Albany, N. Y., where they visited their son Donald, who is employed in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Walt and family, of west Third avenue, were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Fisher and family, of Ambler.

Rev. and Mrs. John Lentz are on a vacation motor trip to Silver Lake, Wisconsin. They will stop at numerous points of interest enroute. Rev. Ebelbert Yost is occupying the pulpit at Trinity Reformed church during the absence of Pastor Lentz.

Prof. and Mrs. F. I. Shesder returned from a week's vacation with Mrs. Shesder's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loeb, of Hempstead, Long Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard B. Keyser and family spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ashenfelter and family, of Philadelphia.

Benjamin Sprague and family, of Collegeville, and Harry Blue and family, of the Main Line, returned on Sunday after spending a week's vacation at their cabin along the upper Susquehanna, near Wyalusing.

Miss Sara Duke, of Hatfield, is spending some time with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Stoudt at family.

Dr. and Mrs. Russell Hunsberger entertained Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Stoudt and a number of out-of-town guests at dinner on Saturday evening. The occasion was in honor of Mrs. Stoudt's birthday anniversary.

Mrs. William Kuhn, of Sixth avenue, and Miss Pearl Thomas, of Philadelphia, left on Sunday by motor for the World's Fair, Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sullivan, of Harrington, Delaware, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Godshall.

Mr. and Mrs. William LaRose, formerly of Pax avenue, moved to Schwenksville, recently.

Mr. Howard P. Tyson, clerk in the local post office, is recovering from a severe attack of influenza. He is still confined to the house.

Miss Mary Francis entertained a number of her classmates, class of 1929, of Collegeville high school, at a surprise shower and luncheon at her home last Thursday evening. The honor guest was Miss Ruth Croll, of Eagleview, whose engagement to Mr. Roger Williams, of Lower Providence was recently announced. The guests present included: Miss Ruth Croll, Miss Kathryn Stumm, Trooper; Mrs. Lloyd Landis, Rahns; Mrs. Jack Adair, Williams; Mrs. N. J. Miss Maribel Waldo, of Colorado; Miss Evelyn Omwake and Mrs. Joel Francis of Collegeville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett and Miss Anna Farrell are spending a month at the summer home of Mr. G. H. Clamer, at Atlantic City.

Prof. George Hartzell, recently appointed to the Ursinus faculty, has rented No. 21 of the Clamer, property on Glenwood avenue. The Hartzell family will take possession on September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Wismer formerly of Norristown have leased No. 11 home on Glenwood avenue, owned by the Clamer estate. Mr. Wismer has been remembered as a star all-around athlete at Ursinus some years ago.

The carpenter work on the combination winter and summer enclosure addition to the front porch of the John L. Bechtel residence and funeral parlors has been completed. The painters are now at work. The addition will enable Mr. Bechtel to handle a large number of people at funerals held from his parlors.

Mr. and Mrs. William Meyers and daughters are enjoying a several days vacation in Atlantic City.

Miss Alice Dewane and Miss Evelyn Brunst of the local telephone exchange spent Sunday at Harrisburg.

Mrs. Lydia Detwiler spent a day last week with Mr. and Mrs. George Kratz, of Hatfield.

Miss Evelyn Brunst attended the Swamp picnic on Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Bertolet, for many years a resident of Collegeville, now a guest at the Berger Home for the Aged of the Reformed church at Wynote, is spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fenstermacher.

Dr. and Mrs. D. D. Cornish and family have returned from a two weeks' vacation spent at Ocean City, P. D. Saylor and family returned on Sunday after spending a two weeks' vacation in the Pocono Mountains, Pike County, Pa.

Mrs. Jesse LaRose and infant son are getting along fine at Montgomery hospital.

Miss Kathryn Kendrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kendrick, sustained painful cuts about her hand and leg when she fell off a bicycle.

Mrs. Harold T. Hunsicker entertained the C. I. C. Sunday school class at her home on Tuesday evening.

For Sale advertisements in The Independent bring results.

THE DEATH ROLL

Susan, wife of William H. Seaman, residing on the Rahns-Creamery road, one mile east of Rahns, died at her home at five o'clock Saturday afternoon from a hemorrhage of the lungs. Altho she had been in failing health for several years her death came suddenly as she was seated in a rocking chair. She was aged 37 years and seven days. Besides her husband she is survived by three sons, Paul and Claude Seaman and Ralph Simmons, the latter by a previous marriage. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac S. Landis, of Trappe, a brother Abram B. Landis, of Rahns and two sisters, Mrs. William Simmons, of Trappe and Mrs. William Gehman, of Souderton, also survive. The funeral services were held from the late residence on Wednesday afternoon. Further services were held at the Upper Skipack Memorial church of which the deceased was a member. Interment was in the adjoining cemetery.

Dr. William G. Kleinstuber, aged 64 years, of Graterford, a retired physician, formerly of Philadelphia, died on Wednesday, August 15, in the Jefferson hospital following an operation performed there several days previously. Dr. Kleinstuber had been in failing health for several years. He had been living in retirement for a number of years. He was born in Germany and was graduated from the Jefferson medical college, after coming to America in his youth.

Ernest Reppert, infant son of Marion Reppert, of Limerick died on Monday, aged 18 days. Interment in St. James cemetery, Limerick, on Tuesday, in charge of Charles J. Franks, funeral director.

COLLEGEVILLE SCHOOLS TO

OPEN TUESDAY, SEPT. 4

The end of vacation is close at hand and soon the army of pupils will be marching back to school.

The usual repairs and cleaning of the Collegeville school buildings will soon be completed and they will be ready to receive their share of the returning army.

In addition, a partition has been erected across the rear of the auditorium, giving us another class room for the bookkeeping classes.

The plans for the opening of school are as follows: registration day at the High School Building, Friday, August 31, from 9 to 12 a. m. s. t. and the regular classes will start Tuesday morning, September 4, at 8:30 a. m. s. t.

We desire all new non-resident pupils planning to enter the Collegeville schools to report on registration day. Bring with you the yellow health card or vaccination certificate and the certificate of Preparation for High School Entrance issued by the County Superintendent.

We would also like at the same time to register all Collegeville beginners who have not yet been enrolled. Be sure to bring along their vaccination and birth certificates.

Miss Fenstermacher and Miss Mayberry are new teachers in the grades. The rest of the faculty will be the same as last year. The enrollment for the new term is expected to be about the same as last year.

HOWARD B. KEYSER,

Supervising Principal.

ENJOYING 11,000 MILE TRIP

Prof. Edgar Robinson, Supt. of the Phoenixville schools, and family, are enjoying a 11,000 mile sight-seeing trip this summer. The tour is being made by motor. The editor of The Independent received a letter from Prof. Robinson dated from Colorado, August 2, stating in part:

"We have covered about 9500 miles to date. Have visited all the Pacific States and enjoyed particularly the 2500 mile journey from Mexico to Canada. Visited the following National Parks—Mesa Verde, Bryce and Grand Canyon, Zion National, Yosemite and Yellowstone. We are headed now for Rocky Mt. Park. Needless to say, this has been a most wonderful summer."

Prof. Robinson is a graduate of Ursinus and Mrs. Robinson is a daughter of Mrs. Newton Warner, of Collegeville, and both are well-known here.

MARION SPANGLER HONORED

The Dr. George Fettes Hartman memorial chorister at the Washington Memorial chapel, Valley Forge, established in his memory by his friends in recognition of his services, was awarded on Sunday to Miss Marion G. Spangler, of Collegeville. Miss Spangler is the chorister at the Valley Forge Chapel and a prominently known musician.

REMOVING TROLLEY RAILS

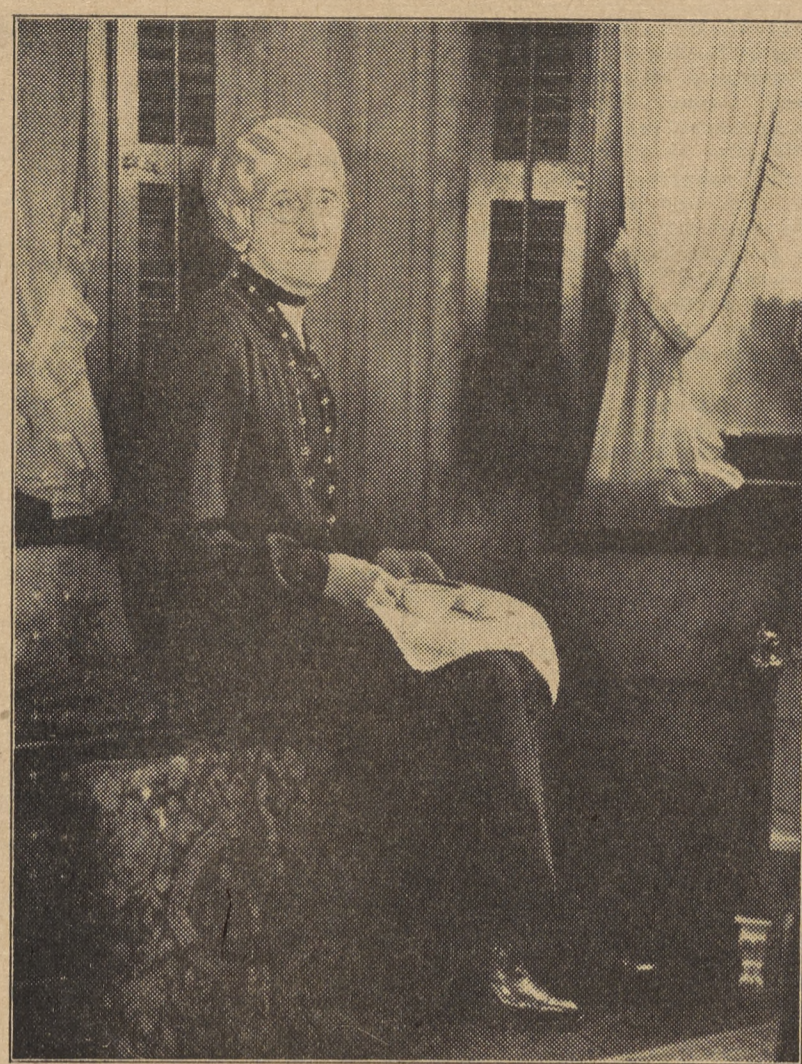
G. Walker Kelley, chairman of the street and road committee of Collegeville borough council, in charge of the disposal of the ties and rails removed recently from the Main street of Collegeville, when the CWA forces tore up the old trolley tracks and repaved the street, has completed the sale of the rails to the Pollock Bros., of Pottstown. The latter firm is now engaged in removing the same. The old ties were sold previously.

FIVE MOTORISTS ARRESTED

Special Officer Elwood Hoffmaster, of Collegeville borough, arrested five out-of-town motorists over the week-end. All the arrests were for failure to stop at "Tow Traffic Stop" signs. Summons for the same were issued after information had been duly sworn by Magistrate Arthur Rasmussen, of Collegeville. The hearings are scheduled for next week.

There were no hearings scheduled before Squire Rasmussen the past week.

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MRS. F. J. CLAMER, of Collegeville ---
Who died last week in her 93rd year.

BIOGRAPHY OF MRS. CLAMER

Collegeville's grand old lady passed away at 4:30 o'clock on Monday, Aug. 13th. She was in her 92nd year. Her end came peacefully in the old Clamer mansion on Main street, famed for its cordial and gracious hospitality. Having enjoyed a health history that was truly astounding, she maintained to the end a remarkable vitality. "Never had a headache in my life," she often, not boastfully, but thankfully, exclaimed.

She experienced in her early married life a great grief and shock that would have wrecked most women. Her little family, consisting of three daughters, aged respectively five, three and one years, were taken by death within a relatively short period; two with diphtheria and one by accidental scalding. A fourth child also died of diphtheria at age eleven. The serum now so successfully used had not yet been discovered. This portion of Mrs. Clamer's life was lived during the period when the machine age was in its infancy and when the United States still had its frontier. Large families were then needed and were the rule of the day. Undaunted by the tragedies of the past, a new family was reared. Four additional children were born, all of whom are still living. The elder, Doctor, William H. Clamer, President and General Manager of the Ajax Metal Company and its affiliated Electrical Manufacturing Company.

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MRS. CLAMER'S FUNERAL

Largely attended by relatives and many friends, funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon, August 16, for Mrs. Margaret Clamer, widow of Francis J. Clamer, of Collegeville.

Rev. W. O. Peeply, pastor of Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, of which Mrs. Clamer was a member for many years, officiated. All services were held at the house. A hymn was sung by Mrs. Edwin Johnson. A quartet of members of Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, sang at the grave. Interment was at Augustus Lutheran cemetery.

Honorary pallbearers were: William G. Coane, Charles F. Hopkins, Alan Grakinger, Dr. Edwin F. Northrup, Dudley Wilcox, Robert Blakeslee, James Wyatt, Henry Geisick, William Adams, Jr., John Haig, Frank Gristick and J. C. Steinbach. Active pallbearers were: George Barrett, G. G. Clamer, Frank Clamer, and George Yeagle, all nephews of the deceased.

Mrs. Clamer's Will

The will of Mrs. Clamer was admitted to probate at the Court House on Tuesday. The estate which consists of personality entirely is valued at \$25,000 "and upwards" and is given in equal shares to her children, Guillem H. Clamer, Gertrude Bauer, Alma J. Miller and Anna Marie Kelly. Guillem H. Clamer and Norristown-Penn. Trust Company are named executors of the will, which was executed April 19, 1929.

PLUSH-MOORE WEDDING

A wedding of local interest took place at 10 o'clock Monday morning, in the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, when Miss Margaret P. Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Moore, of Conshohocken, became the bride of Frank M. Plush, son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Plush, of Collegeville.

The couple was unattended and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Jules Prevost, rector of the chapel. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Plush left on a wedding trip to Ocean City, N. J. They will reside at 1449 Markle street, Norristown.

Mrs. Plush is a graduate of the Conshohocken high school and was employed in the tide department of the Montgomery Trust Company. Mr. Plush is a graduate of the Collegeville high school and the Pierce business college, Philadelphia. He is a member of the Warren Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. He is first teller at the Montgomery Trust Company.

The wedding march was played by Mrs. Charles Wagner, and preceding the ceremony vocal solos were sung by Mrs. Edwin Schlotter. Mrs. George K. March attended the bride as matron of honor and Theodore Wiedemann, Jr., brother of the bridegroom, was best man. A reception for 100 guests was held after the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiedemann left on a wedding trip to the Pocono Mountains, and after September 20 will be at home on Broad Ave. road, Norristown. R. D. 4. Mrs. Wiedemann is a graduate of Norristown high school, and Irving College, Mechanicsburg. She was a dietitian at the Hahnemann hospital, Philadelphia. Mr. Wiedemann is a graduate of the Norristown high school and is associated with his father in the Wiedemann Machine Company, Philadelphia.

SARAH PLUMMER MARRIED

The wedding of Miss Sarah Emily Plummer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey S. Plummer, of "Plumlynn" Fairview Village and Otto Frederick Wiedemann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wiedemann, of Plymouth took place last Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the bride.

Rev. Frederick Plathmeier, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church officiated in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Charles Wagner, and preceding the ceremony vocal solos were sung by Mrs. Edwin Schlotter. Mrs. George K. March attended the bride as matron of honor and Theodore Wiedemann, Jr., brother of the bridegroom, was best man. A reception for 100 guests was held after the ceremony.

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MARRIED BY SQUIRE GRATER

Mr. Joseph Reese, of Wernersville, and Miss Esther M. Troutman, of West Lawn were united in marriage on Saturday afternoon by Magistrate Raymond H. Grater, of Lower Providence, near Collegeville.

The bride is a niece to Mrs. Grater.

POP WARNER TEACHING AT

URSINUS COACHING SCHOOL

Glen "Pop" Warner, nationally famous gridiron mentor, at present football coach at Temple University, arrived in Collegeville on Monday to take charge of the football coaching classes at the Ursinus College Summer Coaching School. Warner will be in charge of the football coaching school for the last five days of the ten-day school. The course will end with the Friday afternoon classes.

The first five days of the football school were under the command of Harvey Harman, former Warner protégé, and now head coach at the U. of P. Harman will remain to assist his former teacher during the last five days of the school. Coach Jack McAvoy, Ursinus football coach, is also assisting in the football instructions.

The Ursinus Coaching School which opened last week also included a five day course in basketball coaching. This course was in charge of Lon Jourdet, U. of P. basketball coach, a nationally known court mentor. The court classes ended on Monday.

A squad of trained athletes are demonstrating the plays and theories in both the football and basketball classes.

The Ursinus College Summer Coaching School convened this summer for the second time. The idea was inaugurated last summer and proved to be quite popular. This year it again went over big and the idea will very likely become a permanent thing at Ursinus.

The school is conducted for the instruction of high school coaches. Over 35 high school coaches are enrolled in the two courses, football and basketball, this year. They hail from all parts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey with several enrolled from New York, Ohio, Tenn. and Conn.

FISH AND GAME OUTING AT

J. H. FRENCH FARM SEPT. 15

The annual outing of the Montgomery County Fish, Game and Forestry Association will be held on Saturday, September 15, at the farm of J. H. French, near Evansburg. A half mile east of Germantown pike the site includes a spacious grove where the picnic supper will be served and a wide meadow suitable for trap-shooting and other sport events which are annually a feature of the program. A dog show will be an extra attraction of this year's outing with suitable prizes for all of the sport events.

The outing is being arranged by the outing committee of which George Bullen, of Penn Square, is chairman. Other members of the committee include: George Sinclair, Leon Nester, Harry Fratt, Martin Horn and Charles Hughes. Harold G. Knight is president of the association.

SYLVIA RATNER'S PORTRAIT

ON EXHIBIT IN BELGIUM

Among the 1000 photographs accepted by the judges to hang in the International Salon of Photography now being held in Brussels, Belgium, are two photographs made by R. A. Metzger, Allentown photographer. One of these exhibits is a photograph of Miss Sylvia Ratner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ratner, of Skipack bridge, below Collegeville. The photo of Miss Ratner is an excellent piece of work.

An interesting sequel to the placing of the photograph in the International exhibit is the announcement of the engagement of Miss Sylvia Ratner to the photographer—Mr. Ralph A. Metzger. No date for the wedding has been announced.

Miss Ratner is a graduate of Collegeville high school and Temple University. She is at present laboratory technician in the office of Dr. M. B. Walkow, Allentown physician. Miss Ratner was the first editor of the Red and Gold, C. H. S. student publication.

Hundreds of photographers representing 26 nations submitted photographs to hang in the thirteenth annual exhibition. Only the 1000 best are accepted.

4-H CLUB DAY AT URSINUS

A county Achievement Day will be held at Colberger Hall, Ursinus College, Collegeville, on Thursday, August 30, for the 4-H club girls, their parents and friends.

There will be an exhibition of work accomplished by the various clubs in foods, clothing, canning and room improvement. At two o'clock in the afternoon there will be a program consisting of music, playlet, and demonstration, to which the public is invited.

The community participating are: Audubon, Collegeville, East Greenview, Pargleysville, Fruitville, Frederick, New Hanover, Harleysville, Montgomeryville, Prospectville, Sanatoga, Skipack, Sunnyside and Swamp.

TESTING WORCESTER CATTLE

All cattle in Worcester township are being tested this week for tuberculosis. The annual test is being conducted by the agricultural extension association under the direction of Dr. Clarkson Addis and Dr. Hiram M. Mitchner. Local farmers in charge of the test include: H. K. Anson, Abram Reiff, Amos Schultz, Arthur Anders and Allan Myers.

STILL OPERATOR JAILED

The alternative of paying a \$300 fine or going to jail for six months was presented to Albert Dice, thirty-three, of near Delphi, who pleaded guilty to operating a still and possession of ten gallons of illicit liquor, by Judge Harold G. Knight in the Montgomery County Court at Norristown, last week. Dice said that he had no choice, being without the money, and he went to jail.

RAMBLING AT RANDOM

BY JAY HOWARD

Abram B. Landis, of Rahns, has the distinction of being the first one to cross the new bridges over the Perkiomen at Rahns in an automobile. Landis, who is employed on the bridge project, sort of got the jump on a number of others who had hopes of attaining this honor. However, the project has not yet been opened to the public. So do not try to follow the lead of Landis—he took the bars down to get across. The State Highway Department has not yet announced when the new bridges will be formally opened to the public.

That North Carolina preacher, who allowed a rattlesnake to sink its fangs into his arm, and then gave the bite no medical attention in order to prove the power of faith and prayer to his congregation, seems more like a fanatic or a publicity seeker than a conscientious preacher in our humble opinion. That sort of procedure seems too much like the Pharisees who prayed from the house-top.

After the recent experiences with the CWA and LWD the Federal Work Relief projects do not look quite as enticing as they did previously.

Senator Huey Long's complete control of the Louisiana State Legislature, militia, etc., shows to the citizens of other states what happens when political bosses get too strong—and a Huey Long pops up to take advantage of the situation.

Don't be too quick to subscribe to the cry of, "Take it from those that have and give it to those that have not." Because no matter how little you have there will always be those who have still less than you do.

According to the newspapers, a Hoboken, N. J., man liked the looks of another man's wife. So he bought the wife for \$700. He paid for her on the installment plan—like an automobile. The woman involved was agreeable to the deal. At first thought this seems like a shocking procedure; but if the interested parties had gone about it in the customary and legal manner it would have probably cost more. And the divorce lawyers would have gotten the money instead of the ex-husband who really deserved to be recompensed—providing his wife was worth anything.

To win a wager laid at the joint picnic of the Souderton Lions and the Hattboro Lions, last week at Lakeview Park, Tony Di Laurentis, Hattboro barber, consumed a five-eighth bushel basket of apples on Monday. The basket contained 130 apples, and Tony had the last of them under his belt in one hour and thirty-four minutes. The ten-dollar bet, raised among the Lions at the picnic, gave Tony two hours in which to complete the job. And not satisfied with having solved nearly half an hour of the time required, the eater-extraordinary put away two pounds of spaghetti and eight glasses of beer while he was resting his stomach after the performance.

An armored car in New York, collecting money from concerns afraid to take the money to bank themselves, was held up on Tuesday by a well-known gangster.

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60 AT ARCOLA Y. W. CAMP

Last Saturday the class of 60 girls who spent the past month at camp Arcola of the Philadelphia Y. W. C. A., were "graduated." Their places for the coming month were taken by new girls. The Y. W. turned the camp over to the Unemployment Relief authorities of the Philadelphia district some time ago. The girls who are eligible to the camp must be high school graduates, between the ages of 18 and 25, and the daughters of families on relief in Philadelphia. The purpose of the month's training is to better fit these unemployed girls to get work and take care of themselves. They are taught office practice and home economics.

BOY SCOUTS CAMPING TRIP

The following members of the Collegeville Boy Scout Troop spent several days on a camping trip at the mouth of the Perkiomen. Donald Yerkes, scoutmaster, Thomas Halliwell, Frank Halliwell, Manuel Schonberger, Louis Schatz, Charles Fort, Lee Brooks, William Fenstermacher and Joseph Powers.

PERKIOMEN LEAGUE BASEBALL

Last Saturday's Scores

Collegeville, 7; Schwenksville, 1.
Evansburg, 3; Port Providence, 1 (1st game).
Evansburg, 3; Port Providence, 1 (2nd game).
Royersford, 6; Trooper, 3 (10 innings).
Harleysville, 12; Limerick, 1.

League Standing

| | W. | L. | P. |
|-----------------|----|----|-------|
| Royersford | 7 | 0 | 1,000 |
| Schwenksville | 5 | 2 | 714 |
| Collegeville | 4 | 2 | 667 |
| Harleysville | 4 | 4 | 500 |
| Evansburg | 4 | 4 | 500 |
| Port Providence | 3 | 4 | 429 |
| Limerick | 1 | 6 | 143 |
| Trooper | 0 | 6 | 1000 |

Next Saturday's Schedule

Royersford vs. Collegeville at Evansburg
Harleysville at Trooper
Port Providence at Schwenksville
Rahnsburg at Limerick

Collegeville gave Schwenksville's second year pennant hopes a rude jolt on Saturday, defeating the runner's up in the second half race, 7 to 1 on the Evansburg diamond. A fiery battling attack on Thomas, Schwenksville.

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NEWS FROM TRAPPE

Keystone Grange Meeting
Members of Keystone Grange rendered the following program in their local grange hall under direction of Earl P. Bechtel, acting chairman of the program committee. Miss Kathryn Gotwals, who is lecturer and conducts the program, is attending a Lecturer's Conference at State College for the week. The program opened with a song followed by a reading "Little Boy Blue" by Miss Evelyn Bechtel; musical skit, "Sipping Sider Thru a Straw" was sung by Mrs. John F. Tyson and acted by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Gotwals. A reading, "The Builder of a Ship" was then given by Mrs. A. D. Gotwals. Mrs. Harold Allebach read a paper, "Notes on William Penn's Early Settlement of Montgomery County". A musical sketch "Because He Joined The Grange" was then sung by Mrs. John F. Tyson, Miss Grace Allebach and Earl P. Bechtel. A final song brought the program to a close after which refreshments were served.

75 Chickens Stolen

Chicken thieves entered the poultry houses of J. A. Weaver, residing along the Linfield-Trappe road, near Trappe, and stole 75 pullets some time Monday night. The discovery was made the next morning. County detectives are investigating.

Mr. and Mrs. Josiah B. Tyson, of Phoenixville, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Tyson. Mr. Tyson is a partner in the Lansdale American Store, accompanied a party of salt water fishermen, all Lansdale Asco employees, on a trip to Cape May on Sunday. They report good luck.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gingrich and daughters, of McAlisterville, and Lester Gingrich, of Mifflintown, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Bowers and family, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Skinner and daughter, who had been occupying the tenant rooms of Elmer C. Pennepacker, moved to Yerkes this week.

Messrs. C. C. Wismer, Paul Bean and Samuel Gotshall, in company with Marion Wismer, of Limerick, and Hiram Haldeman, of Collegeville, enjoyed a fishing trip to Little Creek, Delaware, on Monday.

Mrs. John C. Klauder entertained these guests at luncheon at her home here: Mrs. Eleanor Beagle and Mrs. C. T. Hayes, of Philadelphia, and Misses Mary, Clara and Helen Boltz, of Germantown.

Mrs. Leonard Fisher and daughters Mary Jane and Barbara Jean, of Pottstown, spent several days as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Reaser Felton and family. Mr. Fisher was also their guest on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Schatz, Mrs. Irving T. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver D. Bechtel and Mr. and Mrs. Earl P. Bechtel, of Trappe, and Edgar Schatz and Mrs. Casselberry, of Collegeville, were among the group who enjoyed the annual

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**NEW RELIEF PLAN OUTLINED;
MANY NEW FEATURES**

Plans for the care of many unemployed in Montgomery County during the coming winter were discussed last week at a lengthy session of social workers and leading citizens held in Court Room A, Norristown. There were more than 200 men and women present, representing every municipal division in the county.

It is estimated that there are 17,500 jobless in Montgomery county.

The chief speaker was Edward S. Fretz, Montgomery county Administrator of Work Relief. Mr. Fretz made an impassioned appeal for projects by municipalities to afford the necessary work. Mr. Fretz outlined several new plans which will be put in use by the administration. One of these is to give pay checks weekly to those who because of weather or other reasons have been unable to work. In the future, also, weekly pay checks will be based on the budget requirements of families. Any worker who loses time in any one week will not go without funds for that period, but the pay checks will be sent out so long as the worker is employed on a

specific project. These payments will be based upon the needs of the worker and his family for a four weeks period.

It was stressed, however, by Mr. Fretz that this new ruling applies only to the honest and industrious workers. Those inclined to "soldier" or to be absent from the job for any but a very good reason, will be eliminated entirely from all jobs, and the same given to men who will do an honest day's work. Foremen will be instructed to be vigilant in detecting this type of workman.

As for the matter of furnishing tools, equipment, materials and money for payrolls by the townships and boroughs for work projects, the same rules will be retained as were in vogue last winter.

Last year's provision that only one member of a family can secure work relief is also continued. The first to obtain work will be those who have been registered for relief before August 1. A special committee will fix the rate of pay for the various sections of the county. This committee is composed of Judge Harold G. Knight, who represents the Emergency Relief Board, Joseph A. Rank, a Norristown manufacturer, representing employers and Earl Sands, of Port Washington, representing labor.

No matter what the rate of pay may be no one man will be permitted to make more money in any one month than another. That is if a skilled mechanic receives compensation at \$1.00 an hour, he will be cut in the number of hours he works so that he will make no more money in a month than a laborer at 35 cents an hour.

Mr. Fretz urged speed on the part of municipal units in submitting projects and said that it would take at least ten days after their receipt to approve of them. According to Mr. Fretz there are now 3401 families getting direct relief today in the county. There are 455 families receiving supplemental relief and 900 heads of families working finishing up jobs. All these men will be through with their work this week, however, he stated.

"White collar workers" will also be given a chance to keep from starving to death it was explained by J. M. Kieffer, of the Professional and Non Manual Workers. These will be given jobs making surveys of every kind, copying of old records, map, playground supervision and other similar occupations. Mr. Kieffer asked the cooperation of the members of the audience in securing jobs of these kind, for those not accustomed to manual labor.

The substantial aid of the county in the work was promised in behalf of the County Commissioners by William D. Ridgeway, president of the Board. So far, Mr. Ridgeway stated, the county has spent \$727,000 on projects of its own during the last year and that it has on hand an additional sum of \$50,000 for completion of projects which had to be left unfinished because of lack of relief funds.

Other high-lights of the plan include: A maximum of human labor is to be used in lieu of machinery. No person under 16 is to be employed. No projects are to be worked out with contract labor. No direct transfers from one project to another are to be made. Women are to receive the same consideration as men on the "white collar" projects.

Work will be arranged in four weekly periods. Each period will be split into eight units of 18 hours each and termed a work unit. A work unit will be three consecutive six-hour days. Employables will begin work on projects assigned to them on Mondays and Tuesdays. It is planned to get the "white collar" section of the program under way by August 27. If federal funds are available, other projects should get under way by September 15.

Only persons who are on relief or employed on Local Works Division projects August 1 are eligible for jobs. The basic amount each worker is to receive is to be determined by Local Work Division units. Other remunerations, if any, received from direct relief or other sources, will be deducted from the amount received from the new works program.

LIBERTY SONG

By THAYER WALDO

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THE man in the officer's chair lit a fresh cigar and angrily flung the match aside.

"Cockeyed, idiotic business!" he snarled.

"A whole production tied up while we sit here waiting for some wop bum to be dragged in off the streets. It's the damndest thing I ever heard of!" Stuart Booth eyed him contemptuously and said nothing.

Fiberg made a gesture of conciliation.

"Now listen, Nick," he begged; "be reasonable a little, couldn't you? Ain't the only chance we got worth anything a trial?"

"Yes; I should think, Hornell," Booth put in coldly, "that after all the fuming you've done over this part, you might see how my suggestion works out before you start crabbing."

The director twisted swiftly around in his chair to face him, snapping:

"Look here, Stuart; I never agreed to this wild notion of yours, and I won't pretend to now. Here we have a scene that needs an operatic star, and you talk 'em into going after a dago banana peddler you've heard yelling behind his pushcart. If I'm expected to endorse over that—well, it's a laugh, that's all."

"All right; now we'll just add the rest of it; you want an Italian tenor, yet you can't afford anyone big for such a small role. There's no foreign language singer available on the lot, so where are you? Stuck. And then when I offer the one idea that may solve your problem, you beef!"

"Well," Hornell grumbled, "it simply doesn't sound sensible. If he was going into a chorus. . . . But the man's got to do a solo, and—"

"Hey, look!" Fiberg had turned toward the sound stage entrance.

"Is that him?"

The others swung around.

Just inside the door stood a little round man in baggy trousers and a gay lavender shirt.

His great mop of black curls was uncovered and the olive moon face beneath showed gentle perplexity.

Stuart Booth went forward, calling:

"Hello, Pietro! Come right over here."

The Latin's teeth gleamed in a wide smile.

"Ah, Signor Booth! You send for me, si? Dey no tell me—Joost say, 'You Pietro Pasquale? Come to da studio.' I don't know what ees, but here I am."

Hornell had approached and was staring critically at the Italian.

Before Booth could speak again, he said curtly:

"All right, Tony—let's hear you sing."

The small dark man gazed up with polite incomprehension and replied:

"Excuse, please; da name she's Pietro, an' I don't know Joost what you talk. Maybe you joke, si?"

"Keep still a minute," Booth said sharply to the director; "give me a chance to explain to him. . . . Listen, old timer; we're in a fix here; you can help us out, incidentally, make yourself fifty dollars for a couple of hours' work—just singing."

The fellow made a quick little bow and said:

"Sure, sure; she's made me very happy to do some'eengs for you."

The set across the stage, however, had caught his eye and he started to wander off toward it.

The actor grasped his arm as Hornell let out a snort of exasperation and demanded:

"Well, are we going through with the farce, or is this gentleman just a sightseer?"

"That's what I'm saying," Fiberg agreed.

"He acts like he was doing us a favor. What's the big idea?"

Pietro met the producer's scowl with grave dignity.

"Excuse, please," he corrected; "she's only for Signor Booth! I do eet."

Fiberg gaped incredulously at a moment; then:

"Say, what's the matter from you?" he yelled.

"Nobody's asking you should do anything gratis. Fifty smackers you get for just one song—even if you don't sing very good, maybe!"

Again that broad calm smile spread over the swart features.

"That ees all right, signor. I'm love to sing, anyhow."

Once more he commenced to stroll away. Stuart Booth cried:

"But, Pietro! It has to be done this afternoon—right now!"

The Italian halted at once, a mildly shocked surprise entering his expression.

"Oh—si? Excuse, please; I'm not understand."

A savage groan from Hornell.

"Listen, Booth," he bawled; "either you get that spaghetti gobbler warbling in the next two minutes, or I quit. Savvy?"

The actor glared sourly at him and turned again to Pietro, explaining:

"You see, there's an Italian sequence in the picture we're making. Several of us are travelling along a mountain road and we come to a small inn. The proprietor's sitting on the piazza, carrying wood and singing some air from an opera. Now that's what we want you for! Can you do it?"

Pietro laughed—a full and carefree sound with no hint of scorn in it.

"Why, sure!" he exclaimed buoyantly.

"You mean like dees?"

Back went his head, a breath was taken, and suddenly there poured forth a rich torrent of golden melody as he began an aria from "Il Pagliacci."

It rose and swelled and filled the great room with glorious music.

In a moment people from all over the stage had gathered round.

Not a note in all that song was less than perfection.

Long before he had finished, Fiberg and the director were huddled together, whispering excitedly.

Even Stuart Booth was astonished.

At last it ended and the little Italian gazed about him, a trifle startled.

Then Hornell and the producer were rushing forward in a dual fever of gratification.

"Say, that's the finest thing I ever gave a listen to!" Fiberg chattered.

And the director:

"Marvelous! Where have you been hiding all these years?"

For a quick aside to Booth, he breathed: "My G—d, man—why didn't you tell me about this sooner? He's the greatest find I've ever run across!"

Fiberg, an arm about the singer's shoulders, was talking rapidly:

"Now, Mr. Pasquale, here's the way I'm figuring it. You'll want to do a couple of small parts and then we star you. How about a six months' contract with options, at—well, say two hundred and fifty a week?"

The three studio men waited, their eyes upon the Latin's face.

For an instant bewilderment was there; then slowly he looked from one to the other with something very like disbelief.

"Joost a meente," he said finally; "Maybe I'm don't understand again. You want that I come here every day and sing for da peectures, si?"

They nodded.

Pietro Pasquale made a queer small noise in his throat and stepped back, shaking free of the producer's embrace.

"Excuse, please!" He spoke with a ringing firmness. "She's very kind of you—but no."

"You—you mean you're refusing the contract?"

"Si, signor."

Palpably he was in dead earnest.

"Listen, please: When I am a boy een Milano, always I seeng, joost for happiness. Den one day somebody she's hear me an' say, 'You mus' study for da career! I am young fool, so I do eet. Five, six year I keep on, at las' get een La Scala opera an' pret' soon have da name een lights. Bravo, bravo! But all da joy she's gone when each night I have to seeng so much, so long. So now I have grieve all dat up an' come here where I can poosh da cart to make enough for Rosta an' da bambinos an' me. Seeng? Signor, I do eet for gladness, but she's no enough money een all da world to buy from Pietro a song ever again!"

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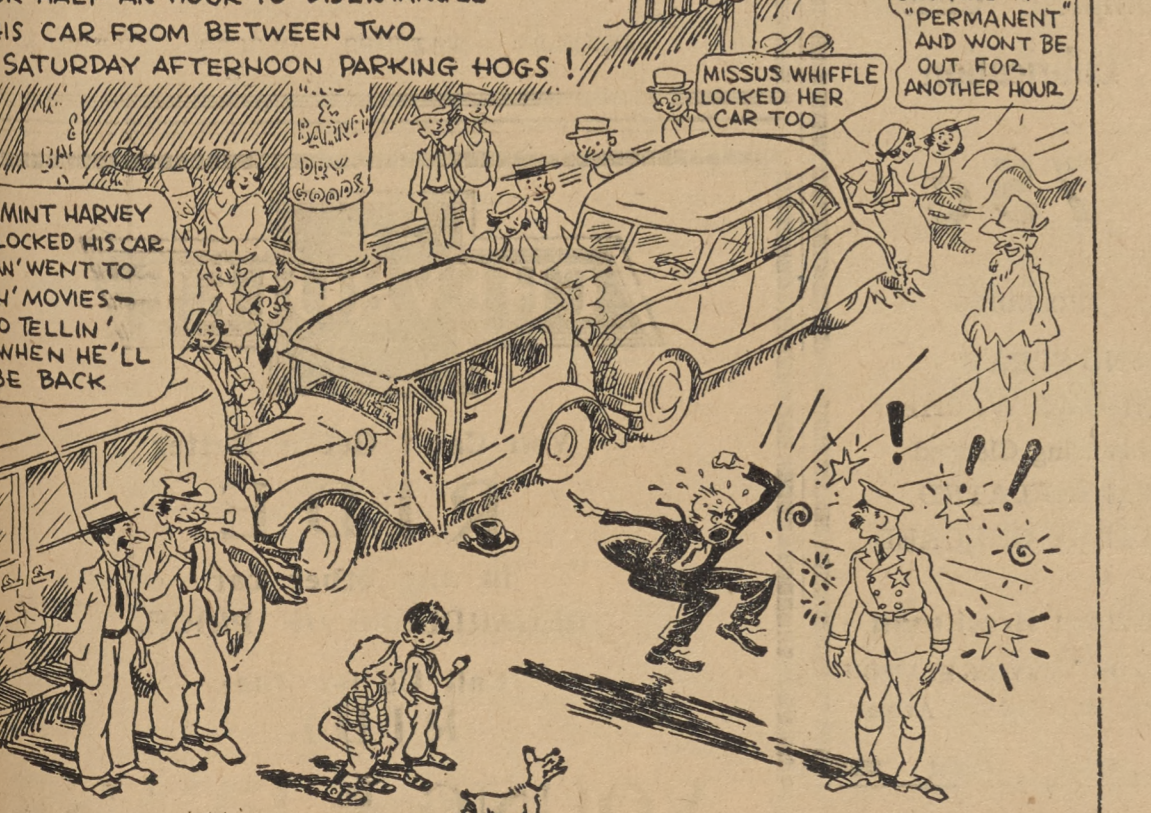
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