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Notes on Daily Local News articles from December 1933

compiled by Joseph Williamson

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1933/12/01

"Unemployed Get Work In County; Plan Approved" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Chester County division of Social Works Administration has received an appeal for its 1st relief project. 300-400 men will be put back to work. Not as many applicants have applied as expected. County supervisors should apply to get free labor at schools and playgrounds. Work will be done on the West Chester State Teachers College

1933/12/01

"126 Children Surprised By Fine Thanksgiving Dinner" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

126 children who were not able to receive a Thanksgiving dinner were given one by the Salvation Army. They were taken to the Masonic Hall where they received their meals.

1933/12/01

"Thieves Get Away With Malvern Loot" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The hardware store of William Bartram was robbed.

1933/12/01

"State Maintenance of Schools Fading" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

No legislation was passed to help 500 districts in Pennsylvania that have applied for aid.

1933/12/01

"Nurse Funds In West Grove Law" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The November meeting of the Community Nurse Association showed West Grove nurses had much work to do with rapidly decreasing funds.

1933/12/01

"William O. Ilgenfritz seeks signatures to remove Senator John Mclure from office" in *Daily Local News* (December 1, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Federal Court convicted Mclure for conspiracy to break Liquor laws. Ilgenfritz, a Democrat, was defeated in his run for clerk of courts. He says his actions are not politically motivated.

1933/12/01

Daily Local News (December 1, 1933), 9. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Doe Run Grangers, a group of fox hunters, raised \$18 for Chester County Hospital on Thanksgiving.

1933/12/02

"Plan Appeal In Jury Verdict In Scottsboro Case" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

One of four black men was convicted for the third time for the murder of two white female hobos.

1933/12/02

"May Have Buried Gangster Victim Alive" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Ethel Greentree and Florence Miller, girlfriends of gangsters, were shot and buried in a shallow grave. [JJ:Where? In West Chester?]

1933/12/02

Daily Local News (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Charles and Paul Sload are accused of stealing several hundred dollars worth of material from the store of W. I. Bartram and the American Store.

1933/12/02

Daily Local News (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The national deficit during the first five months of 1933 was \$772,465,575 compared to \$1,188,985,520 in the same period in 1932.

1933/12/02

Daily Local News (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Chester County Trust Company moved from E. Gay Street to Farmers and Mechanics' Building. The Chester County Trust Company merged with Farmers and Mechanics several years ago.

1933/12/02

in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

John Watts and Clarence Jackson were arrested after stealing five gallons of gas the morning of Dec 1.

1933/12/02

"Control Of Exchange Looms" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The US Senate has recommended federal control of the stock market based on boom and depression practices.

1933/12/02

Daily Local News (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Martha Louis Shafer left \$10,000 trust fund to her chauffeur. If he dies with out an heir, the money will go to the Holy Trinity Church. [JJ: She lived at 442 N. High Street, according to the 1932 Borough Directory.]

1933/12/02

"Bandits Foiled, Guard Shot" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

In Philadelphia a bank guard was shot after foiling four robbers. They tried to steal \$22,000 and \$25,000 from a truck at First Camden National Bank.

1933/12/02

"House Roof Burns At Dilworthtown" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The roof of the Harvey Darlington estate is entirely burnt. \$14 was stolen from a fireman's wallet while he laid his jacket on the ground.

1933/12/02

"Civil Works Asks Immediate Action To Give Men Jobs" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Three hundred men will be put to work to rebuild tennis courts and athletic fields. The cost of the labor is \$3000 and will paid by the CWA. Three hundred

men will work rebuilding walls along the Schuylkill River in Phoenixville. West Chester Bough Council has applied to the state CWA office for the funds to remove trolley tracks, but was denied because they were not part of the state highway system.

1933/12/02

"Coatesville Pays Workers On Time After Borrowing" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Coatesville City Council took out a \$7,500 loan to pay wages until January 1st. The value of the Lukens Steel Company was reduced from \$303,000 to \$250,000.

1933/12/02

"Heads Here Want School Districts To Submit Plans" in *Daily Local News* (December 2, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

CWA said 3000 men must be put to work in 52 schools districts. The CWA urges schools districts to apply through the CWA for projects to perform. They also urge boroughs to come up with projects and apply. Only 52 of the 74 schools have applied. The district in West Chester has not applied yet. Districts will pay for the material used in the project. The men will go to work within the week. They will make 50 cents an hour for a 30- hour workweek. \$32,000 was allotted to Chester County. The work from the 52 Chester County school districts will put 2000 men to work.

1933/12/03

"Philadelphia Teachers Cut" in *Daily Local News* (December 3, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Philadelphia Board of Education took the advice of the finance committee and issued a teacher salary cut. The tax rate will drop 2.5 percent. The salary item was cut 10%.

1933/12/03

"Unionville Hopes For Federal Aid" in *Daily Local News* (December 3, 1933), 12. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

U-Hi paper says plans have been made to take advantage of federal aid for civil works project to improve school ground.

1933/12/03

"Discussing Limiting Weigh And Size" in *Daily Local News* (December 3, 1933), 12. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The article discusses a problem about the weight of trucks [JJ: should this be trucks?] and how to pay to make roads for larger vehicles. It asks whether taxpayers can afford it. It also says railroad should have a say in the type of highways built; because of the amount of taxes they pay.

1933/12/04

Daily Local News (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

On Dec. 3 Father Coughlin made a speech praising Roosevelt and detailing J.P. Morgan. A Brooklyn Monsignor made an apology for criticizing the speech.

1933/12/04

"Gets Two Months For Stealing Turkeys" in in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Thomas Patterson of Devon, age 45, was arrested for stealing five turkeys before Thanksgiving from Brookmall Farms. The turkeys were to be giving for charity Thanksgiving dinners. They were taken from a flock of 150.

1933/12/04

"Liquor Problems Flood Agencies" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Government agents are overwhelmed with controlling the return of alcohol.

1933/12/04

Education in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Public Schools reopened with high attendance for students and one absent teacher.

1933/12/04

The County Civil Works Administration announced 600 men to go to work within the next 15 days. Three hundred men will work to grade and rebuild the athletic fields at the West Chester State Teachers College. Men will be chosen from the list of unemployed filed at the Chester County Reemployment Services at 50 S. High Street.

1933/12/04

Two AA [JJ: African American?] men are in the Homeopathic Hospital and another in Chester County Jail after a drunken fight at a "beer garden" at Reilly's Bank in N. Malvern.

1933/12/04

"Sects Urge Temperance" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

In New York, Episcopalians and Presbyterians urge for temperance to keep legalized liquor from becoming a bane on Society"

1933/12/04

"Preparing For Christmas Rush" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Postmaster Elliot is trying to employ jobless men with dependents for the Christmas Rush. The local Post office however will not have much room.

1933/12/04

"Coatesville Cash Paid Out Today In Christmas Clubs" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two city banks will pay \$91,000 to 2,8000 depositors of special Christmas fund. The amount is somewhat less than the year before. It is expected that

many will put this money back into circulation during the Christmas season, rather than returning the money to the savings account.

1933/12/04

"Mills Resume Today" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Workers start back at Bethlehem Steel in W. Coatesville earlier than expected to fill a receipt order.

1933/12/04

"Lindberghs Fail In Their Third Effort To Lift Big Plane" in *Daily Local News* (December 4, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Charles A. Lindbergh was unable to get his plane to fly out of the water.

1933/12/05

"N.J. May Remain In Dry Column" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Governor Moore of New of New Jersey refused to sign or veto liquor control laws, which could lead to continued prohibition.

1933/12/05

Daily Local News (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A toy collection will be held this Christmas season at Warner Theater as decided by West Chester Civil Association. The toys can be hand me downs or brand new and will be given to poor children.

1933/12/05

Daily Local News (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

"Unemployed men will begin working on the fields at the West Chester State Teachers College. They will work 3 days then 150 more men will replace them. The Government will pay 50 cents an hour as long as the job is done by Feb 15th.

1933/12/05

Daily Local News (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Administrator Biddle approved a project to build Sanitary Sewer in S. Coatesville. The job will put 30 men back to work. 20 went to work at the County Home in Embreeville. 3,600 men are on the roles of the reemployment services. About 200 men sign up per day.

1933/12/05

"Hide Then Rob Market House" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Thieves who hid themselves in the Central Market House stole foodstuffs and escaped through the window into a truck.

1933/12/05

"Politically Free Milk Board asked By Attorney Fox" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Fox former D.A. and attorney for Allied Dairy Farmers Association calls for an independent board to regulate monopolies in milk distribution.

1933/12/05

"Burgess Brinton Favors Removing Trolley Rails" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Burgess Brinton urges BC to have portions of trolley removed while the federal government will pay for it.

1933/12/05

"Utah Determined She'll Cast The 36th Repeal Vote" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Salt Lake City plans to delay the ratification of the repeal of prohibition at its convention in order to be the 36th state to vote.

1933/12/05

in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Seven places in Chester County will be issued liquor control licenses none of them are in West Chester.

1933/12/05

Department of Public Instruction will give exams for those seeking jobs in the State Liquor Control Board. 800 jobs will be available in the state.

1933/12/05

"Hemphill Aids In Recording Ballot For Pennsylvania." in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two West Chester residents have helped to bring Prohibition to an end. Hemphill is a delegate who voted for the repeal of prohibition. Former Judge is the Chairman of the liquor control board, which issued 425 licenses late last year. All licenses were given to those who would sell between Dec 5 and Jan 2. Hotel, Clubs, and Restaurants can sell liquor until Jan 2 when state liquor stores open.

1933/12/05

"Toys For Christmas" in *Daily Local News* (December 5, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Mrs. Robert Ash announces toy welfare of the Downingtown's Woman's club will be holding a toy drop.

1933/12/06

Daily Local News (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

West Chester establishments were issued liquor licenses yesterday. The repeal happened after warehouses closed so businesses were not supplied.

1933/12/06

Daily Local News (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Cases were held for non-support from derelict husbands. In one case, the Commonwealth vs. Latshaw, a man who did not pay support money to his now divorced wife and son. William Milford was found guilty for illegally selling booze. Another non-support case against AA [JJ: African American?] Thomas Cassey continued. He is charged against failing to provide support for his wife and three kids. There are three other similar cases of non-support.

1933/12/06

"Herbert P. Worth Named Assistant CWA Disburser" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Frank B. Foster appointed Herbert P. Worth, VP of National Bank of Chester County and Trust Company, to be the assistant disbursing officers of the Chester County CWA.

1933/12/06

"CWA Applications Received Approval" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

New projects application has been approved requiring 124 men immediately. Work is to be done at the Pennhurst State School grading, building a shed, and removing old wire from tunnels and complete topographical survey of the entire property. Other jobs approved are work on Lee's bridge No.2 and measurement of highways in the county.

1933/12/06

"North Coventry's Tax Situation" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

After the death of their tax collector, John L. Kelp, no one has been collecting taxes in the county.

1933/12/06

"College Planning Great Change in Athletic Fields" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The college football field will be moved and a new baseball field and a field for women will be constructed at the West Chester State Teachers College.

1933/12/06

"Esco Company Purchases Building From Sharples" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Esco cabinet company has purchased the Sharples Separator Company on Franklin Street. The company manufactures dairy equipment.

1933/12/06

"Public Works Funds Allotted" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

PWA director Ickes announced \$182,378 has been allotted to 66 non-federal projects in 22 states.

1933/12/06

"Governor Views Veteran's Bills" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two bills that will pay \$50,000,000 to state war veterans were approved by the legislature and sent to the Governor.

1933/12/06

"Jobs For 18,775 On State Civil Works Projects" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The state CWA approved 600 more projects adding 18,775 workers. The CWA of Pennsylvania will receive \$30,000,000 in Federal Funds.

1933/12/06

Daily Local News (December 6, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Edgar Smith was ordered to pay \$5 a week for the support of his wife and his son. Mr. Smith lives with his parents earning \$10 a week. Donald Lewis of Coatesville was ordered to pay \$5 a week for support of his wife and child.

Carry Willis, a Negro of Lincoln University is a defendant in a case of non-payment of a support order. There are two similar non-support cases in this article.

1933/12/06

"Holiday Seals Here" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Christmas seals are being sold to pay for tuberculosis. Tuberculosis is the main cause of death in those 15-40. It affects twice as many females than males.

Charles P. Stewart, "Washington" in *Daily Local News* (3/12/

19), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A federal income tax will be urged at Congress' next session beginning January 2. Others in congress will push for cash inflation, which would force creditors to accept cheaper money to pay debts.

1933/12/06

"Kennett Lions Plan Christmas" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

John Watt and Clarence Jackson are charged with larceny of gasoline from the Pennsylvania Railroad. The company will settle the case if the men will pay.

1933/12/06

"Coatesville Bans Begging On The Streets" in *Daily Local News* (December 6, 1933), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Many white women and storeowners have been complaining of Negroes begging on their streets.

1933/12/07

"One of 4 Liquor Stores In County In West Chester" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Four state stores will be allotted in Chester County. One will be in West Chester.

1933/12/07

"Pinchot Says Negro Parents In Tredyffrin Easttown Can Ask Arrest Of School Board" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Governor Pinchot announced that Negro parents in Tredyffrin Easttown could ask for the arrest of school board members for creating separate schools for Negroes.

1933/12/07

"Negros Admit Theft From Clothes Line" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two black women and two black men arrest for stealing bed clothing off a line.

1933/12/07

"Malvern Store Robbed Again" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The W.I. Bartram store was robbed again after being robbed by Charles and Paul Sload. It was believed to be done by friends of the Sloan brothers.

1933/12/07

"State Veterans Will Get Bonus" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two bills passed that would pay Pennsylvania veterans \$50,000,000. The veterans will receive \$10 a week.

1933/12/07

"Mussolini Moves For New Deal In World Politics" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Mussolini believes that he was the support of France and Britain to reorganize the League of Nations with Italy having more power.

1933/12/07

"Roosevelt Hits Lynch Outrages" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

President Roosevelt denounces mob lynching and the officials who condone them.

1933/12/07

Daily Local News (December 7, 1933), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

City Council allows delinquent taxpayers to pay by Dec 31 without penalty. New CWA jobs are approved for sewer work.

1933/12/07

Leslie Eichel, "What's What" in *Daily Local News* (December 7, 1933), 6. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

New Yorkers are concerned with the danger of mobs, because of comments made by Father Coughlin. Father Coughlin is accused by some of being a dictator and attacking the free speech of those who criticize Roosevelt.

1933/12/08

"Recovery Policies Assailed By Reed" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Senator Reed speaks out against the NRA and inflation.

1933/12/08

Governor Pinchot transfers power from the Alcohol Permit Board to LCB. Distillery fees were greatly increased.

1933/12/08

"Johnson Assails Carping Citizens" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

General Hugh. G. Johnson defends Roosevelt's recovery plan at a banquet of the National Association of Manufacturers. He declared that the dollar was "the soundest money on earth."

1933/12/08

"School Board Wins Approval Of CWA" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Plans to improve the athletic field and lawn at Avon Grove High School have been approved. 65 men will be put to work.

1933/12/08

"Urge Low Liquor Tax" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The House Ways and Means committee urges for a lower tax to buy cheap liquor. It is hoped to put bootleggers out of business.

1933/12/08

Daily Local News (December 8, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Under the Parkinson Act, 1,350 miles of secondary roads will be under state maintenance for two years.

1933/12/08

"State Legislature Seeks To Find Financial Path" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 3. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Pennsylvania Auditor General Baldwin wonders, "What are we going to use for money?" The floor tax on liquor is not yet passed and the state needs to

work out a spending plan. They discussed state and federal loans, unemployment expenses and other sources of revenue.

1933/12/08

"Will Demonstrate Economic Meals" in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 3. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Domestic science classes in Chester County are teaching pupils to make low cost meals.

1933/12/08

"What's What"? in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Debate continues in New York about economic policies. Both parties and Wall Street are split. Taxing will change the order in the U.S. Debates continue over type of taxing.

1933/12/08

"Prompt Opposition Means Of Stopping Inflation." in *Daily Local News* (December 8, 1933), 12. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Robert T. Flynn of *Colliers Weekly* says opposition must be present when Congress returns in January to stop inflation. He says inflation would ruin farmers, businesses, and workers.

1933/12/09

"Community Fund Is Past" in *Daily Local News* (December 9, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

West Chester has passed the \$39,000 mark for its welfare and recreation fund. The fund is to insure enough money for activities next year.

1933/12/09

"To Demand Levy On Securities Now Tax Exempt" in *Daily Local News* (December 9, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

U.S. Senator demand taxation on \$40,000,000 of tax-exempt federal and state securities. The amendment senators proposed did not pass, because it was thought to be unconstitutional.

1933/12/09

"NRA Has Taken 60,000 Children Out Of Industry" in *Daily Local News* (December 9, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

President Roosevelt's Recovery Act takes 60,000 children out of the work place and puts them into schools.

1933/12/09

"6 More Licenses Issued; Hunt For Store Goes On" in *Daily Local News* (December 9, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two more restaurants in West Chester received liquor license; the West Chester Dairy Room and the Exchange Restaurant. The search for suitable locations for state stores continues.

1933/12/09

"\$1360 In Chester Is Paid To CWA Job Holders" in *Daily Local News* (December 9, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

\$1,360.15 was paid to workers who started CWA projects last Monday. \$695.35 went to those working at the West Chester State Teachers College. New projects that have already been started will provide work for 1500 men.

1933/12/11

"668 Men At Work On CWA Project, Report Reveals" in *Daily Local News* (December 11, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

668 men are working on CWA projects in Chester County. There is a list of 1927 men waiting for work. The total number of applications is 9924. 100 men will be needed for projects in West Chester.

1933/12/11

"Over Half A Million Paid Out By Bank In Yuletide Funds" in *Daily Local News* (December 11, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Christmas club members will be paid \$509,334.84 to spend on Christmas shopping.

1933/12/11

"Butler Assails Bonus Economy" in *Daily Local News* (December 11, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Major General Smedley Butler criticizes the federal economic program. He says that veterans should use their numbers to affect politics in the favor of veterans.

1933/12/11

"County In Line For \$59,833 In Gasoline Law" in *Daily Local News* (December 11, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Chester County is to receive \$57,8333 of gasoline money levied for distribution.

1933/12/11

"Get 30 Days For Stealing Clothes" in *Daily Local News* (December 11, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two African Americans get 30 days in the County prison for "plundering" a clothesline.

1933/12/12

"90 CWA Projects Okayed To Date, By State Leaders" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Ninety CWA projects have been approved to date. Fifty of the projects apply to school districts in Chester County. Thirty-five projects were approved yesterday that will put approximately 100 men to work.

1933/12/12

"Transients Given Shelter From Cold" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The police department and Salvation Army provided shelter for transients in West Chester. Eighteen people stayed at the police department. The Salvation Army fed 35 and had 12 transients.

1933/12/12

"\$5,240,000 Works Applications Filed" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Applications for loans and grants totaling \$5,240,000 have been filed to pay for civil works jobs.

1933/12/12

"Two More Die As Mercury Slides" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two men in Philadelphia have died as the temperature falls below 20. The article does not state whether these men were homeless or not.

1933/12/12

"Real Christmas Party Planned For Needy Tots" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A Christmas party with Santa and toys is being planned for the needy in West Chester. The West Chester Civic Association is promoting the party. Toys are being collected at the Warner Theater and the YMCA

1933/12/12

"Liquor Store To Be Announced" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

An announcement for the new site of the liquor store will be made this day.

1933/12/12

"At Harrisburg" in *Daily Local News* (December 12, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Talbot unemployment bill passed which appropriates \$40,000,000 for aid to jobless.

1933/12/13

"CWA Project For Kennett Approved" in *Daily Local News* (December 13, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A project in Kennett Square will give 300 men jobs through the CWA. The job will be on sewer construction

1933/12/13

"Will Ask PWA For Sanitarium Funds" in *Daily Local News* (December 13, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

At the meeting of the Chester County Tuberculosis Society, they decided to make an application to the Public Works Administration at Washington for funds for the Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Chester County.

1933/12/13

"West Market Street Site Is Picked Out For Liquor Store" in *Daily Local News* (December 13, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The West Chester state liquor store will be located at 128 West Market Street. This is the site of the old farmer's market. Examinations for positions on the Liquor Board continue. 228 applicants will take the exams.

1933/12/13

"Coatesville Door Offers Evidence Of Bold Robbers" in *Daily Local News* (December 13, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Thieves have tried to rob the American state store last night but were frightened by chief of police McNeil.

1933/12/13

"Social Agencies Hear Speakers" in *Daily Local News* (December 13, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Chester County Health and Social Workers held a meeting. N. R. Rambo, head of the Chester County Reemployment Service talked about men put to work by the CWA. Joseph Scattergood of the Chester County Medical Society talked about patients on relief rolls. Dr. R. T. Devereux spoke about child malnutrition.

1933/12/13

The Chester County School Directors Association held a meeting at the West Chester State Teachers College. President Backwater urged directors to look at their grounds to find projects to apply for through the CWA.

1933/12/14

"Road Man Urged To Share In CWA" in *Daily Local News* (December 14, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Frank B. Foster told road supervisors of various townships to take advantage of CWA funds.

1933/12/14

"Borough Council Approves New CWA Projects" in *Daily Local News* (December 14, 1933).. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

West Chester Borough Council approved plans to rebuild Market Street from Church Street to the railways. They will also remove trolley tracks from Market Street and extend the sewer to the western Borough limits.

1933/12/14

Daily Local News (December 14, 1933). [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Excessive federal fees may end bootlegging and moonshining. The government realizes it must cut fees in order to stop moonshining and bootlegging.

1933/12/14

"Hospital Auxiliaries Report Funds Raised in *Daily Local News* (December 14, 1933), 8. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

At a meeting of the auxiliaries to the Chester County Hospital, they asked for donations to meet the present emergency. This meeting was held on November 4. As of December 7, they had received over \$1500.

1933/12/14

Daily Local News (December 14, 1933), 8. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A committee of citizens met to come up with civil works projects.

1933/12/14

"America Emerging From Slump As 1933 Nears End" in *Daily Local News* (December 14, 1933), 14. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Elmer C. Walzer, United Press Financial Editor, said that the economy for 1934 and the end of 1933 looks the best since 1928. It attributes the success to the new administration. As the dollar was devalued the stock market rose. The steel, automobile, and building industries have been growing.

1933/12/15

"10 More Men To Work Under CWA; Plans Approved" in *Daily Local News* (December 15, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

New CWA projects were approved in Chester County. The jobs include painting, grading and construction. They will require more than 100 workers.

1933/12/15

"Sewage Project Given Approval By 550-32 Vote" in *Daily Local News* (December 15, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

With a vote of 550 32, Kennett Square's electorate approved a loan of \$70,000 for a modern sewage system. Sixty men will be employed during the winter months and 200 in the spring and summer. The sewage plant will cost

\$2,000,000. Kennett Square received a NRA grant of \$50,000 and a donation from Pierre S. Dupont for \$80,000.

1933/12/15

"Income Tax For Schools Pushed" in *Daily Local News* (December 15, 1933), 5. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The state legislature proposed a graduated income tax to support under paid schools.

1933/12/15

"Downingtown Lions Plan Super Kitchen" in *Daily Local News* (December 15, 1933), 5. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Lions Club reports that toys are being fixed to be given out to poor children on Christmas. The Lions shelter will open next week and will have a soup line.

1933/12/15

Daily Local News (December 15, 1933), 5. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Four African Americans were arrested for panhandling. After being arrested they proclaimed there was no Santa.

1933/12/16

"220 Are At Work On Examinations For Liquor Jobs: in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two hundred and twenty applicants will take the test for state LCB positions at the High School.

1933/12/16

"Recovery Drive Six Months Old" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The NRA is 6 months old. Despite confusion and attacks it has become organized and beneficial in some industries.

1933/12/16

"Merchants Look For Trade Jump here Next Week" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Local holiday business has been lower this year than the same time last year. Merchants believe this is because of the poor weather. They expect higher earnings this year, because of the money disbursed by the Christmas Clubs and CWA employment.

1933/12/16

"More CWA Plans Sent To State Officials" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Projects that will require \$30,000 have been sent to the state CWA. The total number of projects is 141 and none have been turned down by Harrisburg. More excavating, painting, and grading jobs are available in Chester County.

1933/12/16

"Contribute Gifts To Toy Mountain" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two toy stores, J. B. Mosteller and J. B. Simon and Brothers are contributing dolls and doll furniture to the Warner Theater. The toys are being clothed and repainted by students at the vocational school.

1933/12/16

"35 Try Out For Liquor Jobs" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The first statewide civil service examination ended, selecting 2,500 employees out of 35,000 candidates for liquor control jobs.

1933/12/16

"U.S. Agents Probe Coatesville Men For Counterfeits" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two black men from Coatesville are accused of trying to pass counterfeit bills

1933/12/16

Daily Local News (December 16, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Referring to striking cab drivers, Philadelphia Mayor Moore ordered police to "stop with interference with rights of citizens on highways. Rocks and stones were thrown during the strike and a shot was fired.

1933/12/16

"School Out Look On Avon Grove" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 6. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A grading job approved on the Avon Grove School's athletic field will employ 65 men.

1933/12/16

"State `Over Top' In Works Quota" in *Daily Local News* (December 16, 1933), 10. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Eric Biddle, state administrator announced that Pennsylvania has gone over its quota of 327,000 men. He asked for an extension of the quota. Philadelphia is the exception with jobs still left to be filled.

1933/12/18

"Liquor Store for Coatesville Will Be On 3rd Avenue." in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The second state liquor store in Chester County has been chosen in Coatesville at 128 West Market Street [JJ: This should be Third Avenue]. Israel Goldberg owns the building.

1933/12/18

"CWA Gives Aid To Librarians" in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Trained librarians will be made available to public schools at no cost to the district through the CWA.

1933/12/18

"Projects Involving \$42,000 For Wages Go To CWA Office" in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

More projects requiring an appropriation of \$42,000 were sent to Harrisburg. The number of men who will be given employment totals 3,430 of all work approved.

1933/12/18

in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A restaurant owned by Sara Spangler, an African American, was robbed of 200 pennies, a box of candy, and cigarettes.

1933/12/18

"CWA Workers To Re-Lay Sidewalk" in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Twelve laborers will repave 100 feet of brick pavement in front of the Court House, extending from High to Market Street. Brick is being used instead of concrete for economic reasons.

1933/12/18

"Prudent Buying" in *Daily Local News* (December 18, 1933), 4. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

People should be wise when buying this Christmas, because cash is scarce. The article recommends shoes as gifts for men. It also mentions overcoats are good gifts but most men will make do using the same coat next year. If there is any money left over toys can be purchased.

1933/12/19

"35,000 Granted By Home Loan In Chester County" in *Daily Local News* (December 19, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Home Owner's Loan Corporation has granted Chester County \$35,000 in bonds and cash. Chester County has received more loans than any Pennsylvania county outside of Philadelphia. Loan applications have been coming into the company at a rate of 25 per week.

1933/12/19

"Christmas Play At West Chester State Teachers College" in *Daily Local News* (December 19, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The play "The Other Wise Men" by Dr. Henry Van Dyke was performed at the West Chester State Teachers College. 1,500 or more people attended.

1933/12/19

"Sheenan Reveals Site For Liquor Store In Oxford" in *Daily Local News* (December 19, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The location of Chester County third liquor store will be 43 South Third Street. The owner of the store is John H Ware. Jr. Bids continue for the renovation work to be done on West Chester state store. Examinations continue for employment in the store.

1933/12/19

"American Legion" in *Daily Local News* (December 19, 1933), 2. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The American Legion will deliver candy to poor children on the relief list.

1933/12/20

"Federal Funds Aid In Sanitation" in *Daily Local News* (December 20, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Dr. Theodore B. Appel, head of State [JJ: Department of Health?] announced that CWA plans are underway to eliminate unsanitary practices and properties

through the CWA program. The program would focus on erecting outdoor lavatories for men and women. It would do away with waste dumps, stagnant water and refurbishment of public bathrooms.

1933/12/20

"Two West Chester Men Under Arrest" in *Daily Local News* (December 20, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Joseph Creamer and Hamilton Dunn of West Chester and George Perry of Chester were arrested for robbing a man yesterday. They help up Charles Whitehead, abducted him in a car, then beat and robbed him of \$450.

1933/12/21

"Pick Last Liquor Store For County" in *Daily Local News* (December 21, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The last Chester County state store was announced yesterday. It will be at 5 North Main Street in Phoenixville.

1933/12/21

"State CWA Gives Approval To Pennhurst Undertaking" in *Daily Local News* (December 21, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Pennsylvania CWA approved a project that would put 750 men to work at the Pennhurst State School. The main job is excavation and rebuilding at the Pennhurst School. It will employ one hundred men, two laborers, and a road roller to excavate and remove trolley tracks on Market Street between the Pennsylvania Railroad station and Church.

1933/12/21

"Plan Death Blow To Bootleggers" in *Daily Local News* (December 21, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Pennsylvania LCB announced it would seek to put bootleggers out of business by offering liquor at the lowest prices available.

1933/12/21

Daily Local News (December 21, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A Liquor License was issued to Captain L. M. Hood Lodge No. 159, Impod, B.P.O.E.

1933/12/21

"Civic Report Shows Wide Ranges Of Work" in *Daily Local News* (December 21, 1933), 8. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Despite a tight economy the West Chester Civic Association has performed more diverse services this year. A greater shortage of funds is in store for 1932. The Civic Association had to function as a relief office during the year. It handled calls dealing with clothing, food, housing, medicine and relief. They registered 300 men in the CW program.

1933/12/22

"Market Soars On Silver" in *Daily Local News* (December 22, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Stock market boomed today based on the idea that the silver proclamation signed by FDR would raise commodity prices. Stocks jumped 1 to 10 points. \$12,000,000 of silver coins has been printed. The silver agreement by the London Economic Conference directed the president's actions.

1933/12/22

"Liquor Licenses: in *Daily Local News* (December 22, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Two licenses were issued to 2 establishments in Phoenixville.

1933/12/22

The entire police force in Philadelphia -- 4,400 men -- was on the street with riot gear to keep peace with striking truckers.

1933/12/22

"New Civil Works Tasks Approved" in *Daily Local News* (December 22, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Twenty-three projects were approved for Chester County. The jobs will require 650 men. Many grading and painting jobs were approved throughout the county.

1933/12/23

"Christmas Part Plans Completed For Next Monday" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Alfred Schwarz will host a Christmas party at the Warner Theater for several hundred poor children of West Chester. The party is planned with Schwartz and the Recreation Committee of the Civic Association.

1933/12/23

"Announces Liquor Store Location" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

New liquor store locations were chosen. Renovation continues for the West Chester state store. It may be open by December 27.

1933/12/23

"Charged With Theft" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Via Marchetti of Avondale, was charged with larceny of chickens.

1933/12/23

"Thieves Get Jewelry" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Thieves broke into the home of Mrs. Charles D. Palmer on Washington Street. They stole several hundred dollars worth of jewelry.

1933/12/23

"Shoppers Throng Streets As Final Shopping Arrives" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Gay, High, and Church streets were packed with last minute shoppers. The Salvation Army took collections for the poor. Merchants agreed that goods bought this year were better than last. Still most girls [JJ: purchases?] were necessities.

1933/12/23

"White Collar" Men Are Needed By CWA" in *Daily Local News* (December 23, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

One hundred and forty white-collar workers are needed in Chester County to perform survey jobs for the State Department of Research and Statistics. The information will be used for legislation to improve the standard of living. There are hardly any white-collar workers registered with re-employment services.

1933/12/26

"Borough Barbers Return To Their Price Today" in *Daily Local News* (December 26, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

West Chester borough barbers rescind prices 3 months ago before joining the Delaware-Montgomery Counties and Vicinity Master Barber Association. Shops have been gradually withdrawing from the association and going back to lower prices.

1933/12/26

"Three Are Under Arrest For Raid On Turkey Farm" in *Daily Local News* (December 26, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Three men were arrested in Chester County for stealing fifteen turkeys from Charles Foster between New London and Kemblesville Thursday night.

1933/12/26

"Liquor Store Posts In County Revealed" in *Daily Local News* (December 26, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Department of Public Instruction has given out hundreds of liquor store jobs today. The \$860 job of director of purchase for the state goes to Albert R Coaly, of Philadelphia. William S. Whitacare will be the manager of the West Chester state store.

1933/12/26

"Youngsters Have Gay Time At Yule Party In Theater" in *Daily Local News* (December 26, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Around 800 or 900 kids from West Chester's poorer families attended a Christmas party at the Warner Theater. Boys from the YMCA distributed 1000 toys to the children. The toys were being collected at the theater. The children watched a Walt Disney inkwell and were entertained by live music.

1933/12/26

"CWA Project At Cheyney College" in *Daily Local News* (December 26, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Thirty men working at Cheyney State Teachers College received their first paycheck Christmas Eve after depending on welfare or the relief society.

1933/12/27

Daily Local News (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Appointment of another 14 employees for Chester County State Liquor Stores was announced. Charles G. Broder was appointed in West Chester.

1933/12/27

"To Accept Women For White Collar Workers In CWA" in *Daily Local News* (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Women are now being sought for "White Collar" CWA projects. White-collar workers are needed to conduct surveys and gather social information in the county. Women must register at the office of Chester County Re-employment services.

1933/12/27

"Held For Coal Theft" in *Daily Local News* (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Mitchell Tindale, an African American, was arrested for stealing a bag of coal from Chester County Hipple coal yard at 209 S. Matlack Street.

1933/12/27

"Biddle Maps Out Long Time Relief For Jobless" in *Daily Local News* (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Eric Biddle, executive director of the State Emergency Relief Board, announced a cash only relief program should be created no later than the regular session of 1935.

1933/12/27

Daily Local News (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Dairy Farmers of Philadelphia spoke to striking milk wagon drivers last night calling for joint action. The meeting was attended by 2000 striking milk wagon drivers. They did not discuss immediate plans.

1933/12/27

"State Gets Aid From Uncle Sam" in *Daily Local News* (December 27, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Pennsylvania receives a \$200,000 grant for unemployment relief in December and January.

1933/12/28

"Two Liquor Stores Will Open On Time." in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Just two of Chester County liquors stores, one in Oxford and one in West Chester, will be ready for the Jan. 2 date. The renovation and inspection of the West Chester store has been completed.

1933/12/28

"County Tax Rate To Remain The Same Brock Indicates" in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

The Chester County tax rate will remain the same at 3.5 mills for 1934.

1933/12/28

"Liquor Stores To Net Huge Profits, Gawthrop States." in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Judge Gawthrop, Chairman of the Liquor Control Board, says that the state will make a 40 to 50 percent profit on the sale of liquor.

1933/12/28

"CWA Gives Aid To Dietary Project For This County" in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

A new CWA project for food demonstrations will employ twenty women in Chester County. A plan devised by Chester County Emergency Child Health Committee will have twenty women demonstrate how to make tasty, low cost, yet delicious meals.

1933/12/28

"Relief In County Cost \$320,888 in 14 Months" in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Since its formation in Aug. 1932 [JJ: must be an error] until Oct '33 the Chester County Emergency Relief Board has spent nearly a third of a million. The money was used to purchase food, fuel, thrift gardens, and supervision an average 200 cases a month. \$137,142.54 was expended on highways.

1933/12/28

"Liquor Board Quotes Prices" in *Daily Local News* (December 28, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Pennsylvania LCB announces prices of different liquors. Stores will be limited in capacity at first.

1933/12/29

"U.S. Orders All Gold Turned In" in *Daily Local News* (December 29, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Those owning \$100 or less in gold are ordered to turn their gold in to the Federal Reserve Bank.

1933/12/30

"To Stick Liquor Store Tomorrow: in *Daily Local News* (December 30, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Wet and dry goods will arrive tomorrow at the state liquor store according to LCB.

1933/12/30

"Romanian Premier Is Assassinated" in *Daily Local News* (December 30, 1933), ?. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Nicholas Constantinisca shot Jon G. Duca, Premier of Romania at a train station. Constantinsca was a member of the Nazi Iron Guard, which Duca's government banned. The county was placed under martial law for fear of bigger attacks.

1933/12/30

"Johnson Cancels New Banking Fee" in *Daily Local News* (December 30, 1933), 1. [Notes by Joseph Williamson, 2006]

Hugh S. Johnson has canceled new charges to depositors that were to be effective at the 1st of the month. Johnson, who approved the charges, claims he never saw them. [JJ: Johnson was not a West Chester banking official. Perhaps he was a state or federal banking administrator.]
