

East Falls Past-- Classified Ads

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Classified ads that appeared in the turn-of-the-century Falls newspaper, the *Weekly Forecast*, reveal much about the economy and social mores of the time. Here are some selections; enjoy the unintended humor in some!

6/14/1900: Girl Wanted – About 15 years old for the desk in a grocery store. Address by letter, M. Forecast office.

6/14/1900: Boarding – Respectable men can obtain first-class boarding at reasonable rates, with home comforts, at Miss McIlvan's, 4020 Ridge Avenue.

6/14/1900: Two respectable gentlemen can secure board in a private family by applying at 3125 North 35th Street, Falls (i.e. Conrad)

9/6/1900: House for Sale – Eight rooms and all conveniences. Apply Mr. Charles F. Phy. 3438 Queen Lane.

9/13/1900: For Rent: Three-roomed house on Division Street. Apply to W. Kindon, 3230 Scott's Lane, or on the premises.

9/13/1900: Wanted: A good-sized steady boy to learn the drug business. Murray, 4106 Ridge Avenue.

9/13/1900: Wanted: - By the well-known Midvale Tea Company, a young man to work in grocery store. Apply in person at 3418 N. 35th street, Falls, America Hall.

9/20/1900: Lost: A gold cuff button in one piece, with initials, on last Wednesday evening, between the Y.M.L.I rooms on Ridge Avenue and Turf Villa. Return to H. F., Forecast office.

9/27/1900: Wanted: Three good canvassers for industrial insurance. A. J. Warrington, assistant manager, Colonial Life Insurance Co., 3520 Ainslie St., Falls.

9/18/1900: Help Wanted: A strong girl for housework, to sleep at home. Apply 4153 Ridge Av., Falls. (Side door).

9/18/1900: Boarding: Wanted: two respectable young men. 3459 Sunnyside Ave.

11/1/1900: Lost: Large black dog, white streak down her forehead, white ring around neck, white breast, both front teeth also white, as well as tip of tail; named Bruno. Reward if returned to 138 Queen Lane.

5/16/1901: Wanted: Two girl boarders. 3114 N. 35th St.

5/16/1901: Boarding: For two respectable young men. 3427 N. 35th St. Private family.

6/6/1901: Wanted: A respectable half grown girl. Apply 4032 Ridge Ave., Falls.

6/6/1901: Lost: A gold necklace and locket on Ridge Avenue, between Crawford Street and Queen Lane. Anyone retaining the same to Cain's, 4123 Ridge Avenue, will be rewarded.

10/3/1901: A young man wishes a position to drive single or double team. Apply at the *Forecast* office.

10/3/1901: Found: A lady's cape on Midvale Avenue. Owner can have the same by applying at 3612 N. 35th St. and paying the expense of this ad.

10/10/1901: If you are looking for a teacher of the piano, consult Frank J. Foley, 3537 Ainslie St.

10/17/1901: For Rent: Two unfurnished rooms, with use of bath. 13 Wiehle St.

11/7/1901: For Rent: Nine-room house, including bath, at 3506 Bowman St, in good order. Apply to J. F. Reardon, 154 Queen Lane.

11/7/1901: For Sale: Two bedroom suits. Can be seen only on Saturday afternoon at 3409 Ainslie St.

11/7/1901: For Sale: 8-roomed house, with all conveniences; cheap; also, the entire stock of shoes. 174 Stanton St. Falls

11/14/1901: For Rent: a 10-roomed house with all conveniences, NW corner of 35th and Bowman; rent low. Apply Jacob Stehle, NE corner, 35th and Bowman.

12/12/1901: Lost: In going from Ainslie Street to Calumet, a gold-linked set of Rosary beads enclosed in a purse, which also contained some small change. A reward will be paid for the return of the beads, which are valued as a present. Return to *Forecast* office.

12/12/1901: For Sale: Four desirable two-story brick houses, 3519, 3521, 3523, and 3525 Sunnyside Avenue, either singly or together. Apply to Walker Smith, 3425 Queen Lane.

12/19/1901: For Rent: Corner Store, America Hall, cheap. Apply John Hohenadel, R.R. & Queen Lane.

12/19/1901: Lost: A white silk handkerchief with a blue border, between Ainslie Street and Queen Lane. Return to 3421 Crawford St. Reward.

12/24/1901: Pigeons bought and sold by J. Busfield, rear of 170 Queen Lane, Falls.

12/24/1901: Found: A small sum of money. Owner can have same by calling at *Forecast* office and proving property.

12/18/1902: Lost: On Wednesday, between Queen and Scott's Lane, and the railroad on the 12:33 train to the Terminal, \$5 note, return to *Forecast* Office and receive reward.

10/22/1903: Wanted: Several pupils for class in stenography and typewriting, now forming. Terms moderate. Apply to *Forecast* office.

10/22/1903: For Sale: A ladies bicycle in good condition, at Buckley's, North 35th Street.

10/22/1903: For Rent: Stalls for horses, apply Dungan's, 4161 Ridge Avenue.

10/22/1903: Lost: A breast-pin with coral setting, in going from Westmoreland Street to Presbyterian Sunday School, on last Sunday. Finder please return to 3409 Westmoreland Street.

5/24/1906: For Sale: At a sacrifice, a handsome detachable quartered oak wardrobe, as good as new. No reasonable offer refused. Apply 3612 N. 35th St.

5/24/1906: For Sale: Lumber for chicken coop 10 feet long, 7 feet high and 6 feet wide: one small window sash, 50 yards poultry wire, one window sash 4 feet by 9, baby coach in good condition and a splendid cooking stove. Apply 3515 North 35th Street.

5/24/1906: Help Wanted: Fancy Worsted weavers wanted, good wages. Shackamxon Worsted Company.

10/24/1907: For Sale: Two shuffleboards. Apply Falls Hotel, M. Whelen.

10/24/1907: For Sale: Small heater, suitable for a club room or a cellar kitchen; also parlor stove, almost new. Can be inspected any time at the Falls Hotel, Ridge Ave.

10/24/1907: For Sale: 60 yards of new rag carpet, 40c and 45c per yard. Matthew Mitchell, 2014 W. Madison St., Tioga.

10/24/1907: Wanted: Wood to Burn: Wanted man or woman to clean store, in exchange for enough firewood to last all winter. Apply Forecast office.

10/24/1907: Found: Watch fob and chain. Owner can have same by applying to Forecast office.

10/24/1907: Lost: Going from 35th Street and Allegheny Avenue to Midvale, a gold cross. Reward, if returned to 344 Allegheny.

10/24/1907: For Sale: 3517-3519 Bowman St, containing 10 rooms, bath, gas, inside closets. No reasonable offer refused. Manayunk Trust Company, 4340 Main St., Manayunk.

12/12/1907: For Sale: S. C. White Leghorn Cockerels, bred from the world's best, at the Glenolden poultry yards, also a few barred Plymouth Rock hens, coming second season, all just started to lay, are the finest hens in this class for breeding purposes. Hawkins Strain, Lynn, Mass. Must be seen to be appreciated at No. 1 Marmion Street, above New Queen Street, Falls. W. T. Radford.