Kanonuara (Cf. [Mohawk] kanŵwara? 'skull'), through 1751, when Christopher Gist knew it as Wealin or Scalp Creek, to the present day.

In his discussion of the variant Iroquoian forms (Kanonuara, Kanonouaora, Ranonouara), Mr. Norona cites Mr. M. H. Deardorff, of Warren, Pa. It is shown that the variant Ranonouara, though one would expect a locative suffix, may mean 'his skull.' The Iroquoian name and the Algonquian name both have approximately the same meaning ('Skull,' 'At the skull'); it is likely that each represents the same colonial incident (the beheading at this place of a white intruder). It should be commented that the Iroquoian variant Ranonouara may have arisen owing to the misreading of a K for an R. It should be stated, besides, that there is no need to explain the wh of Wheeling, since it is likely that many English speakers of the eighteenth century pronounced w and wh alike [w].

This is a sincere study, and it deserves praise for its detail and completeness.

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Notes and Comments

Addendum to Discussion of LEHIGH

In a more recent communication than that referred to in "More Information on Michigan Prairie Names" (Names, March, 1960, pp. 53—56) Mr. Virgil J. Vogel has the following to say on the question of Lehigh: "I would not place too much reliance on Espenshade's explanation of Lehigh. A. F. Chamberlain, in Hodge (I, 763), says that Lehigh does come from a Delaware word for 'forks of a river'... [but] Heckewelder says, 'where there are forks' — without identifying it with either rivers or trails."