INK SLINGS.

-Counting the last two days of last week and the first three of this well might we have been singing January is as pleasant as May.

-With steel common back on the dividend list there are a lot of people who have been wearing long faces since last October a year, who will look as happy as any of the "war brides."

-Col. House has arrived in Paris and the French news writers are all mad because they could get nothing out of him but monosyllabic replies to the few questions he stood fire for. That's Col. House.

-With gasoline at twenty-four cents the gallon the fellow who doesn't own a motor hasn't had the delightful sensation of worrying because JOHN D. and the other oil magnates are adding their little mite to the high cost of riding.

time in which to make further examina- and the VARES pay the freight. tion as to their mental condition. One

-The Hon. ELLIS L. ORVIS has announced that he is a candidate for delegate from this Congressional District to the Democratic National convention in St. Louis. Centre county is entitled to one of the two representatives from the District and we know of no man who could be a more effective champion of President WILSON or a more creditable representative for the Democrats of the District than Judge ORVIS. JOHN F. SHORT, of Clearfield, is also a candidate.

-The Hon. CHARLES E, PATTON, Secretary of Agriculture for Pennsylvania, has announced in his weekly press bulletin that there is "no cause for increasing ment, resorts to ordinary mendacity. He will speak at Pittsburgh, Cleveland, the Spanish war was approaching? No country, but we do not exert it to protect our own citizens and those of other lime prices." Of course he means that declares that his party "has enacted all Milwaukee, Chicago, Des Moines, Topeka gentleman on the Democratic side of nations temporarily here. When we the registration fee under the new law is so small as to be a negligible quantity and National, in the educational advance talks at points en route. It will severely embarrassing motion. In the face of danin the cost of marketing lime. The Sec- of the country." That is a plain and tax his strength and endurance but he is ger all political prejudices were promptly retary knows, if he knows anything, that deliberate falsification. That education- equal to it. He will gather strength suppressed and every man extended the wages, powder and dynamite have all al interests have progressed in recent from the confidence and enthusiasm of helping hand to the Republican Chief gone up and that there is scarcely a years is true but the advancement has the people and he will accomplish his Magistrate. The hope of party advantcalculated to impress farmers with the the largess taken from the earnings of heard Woodrow Wilson. He is on a into bandits who have no aim but loot, idea that there is "no cause for increas | workingmen to bestow upon bribe-giving just n ing lime prices." And after getting that monopolists was common robbery. idea fastened in their minds, merely hinting "that it might be due to some other contingency."

-We can't be born anymore unless a report is made to the registrar of vital statistics. We can't have measles, mumps or whooping cough without the health officer telling us what we have to do about them. We can't drink milk that a pure food officer has put his ban on. We can't go to school unless we have been vaccinated and had a dentist, and ear specialist and an optometrist pass upon our eligibility. We can't work until we are fourteen and then we can only work as long as the law tells us we sult in the pacification of Mexico except can, notwithstanding the fact that we might want to work more. We can't go into business until we have told some inquisitorial State Department all about it and keep telling each year we are in it. We can't make any money without telling another Department how much and for from the operations of this bandit paying still another Department a share if it happens to be too much. And, be- disaster. It is probably all he expects to ing sick and tired of it all, we can't accomplish. chuck the whole thing and die and be buried without getting the doctor's certificate that we really have croaked and the undertaker won't put us under until the United States are simply "pulling the officer who started all our troubles, the registrar of vital statistics, puts his final stamp to regulate us into the grave. Surely, life is just one regulation after another.

-Col. J. L. SPANGLER is a receptive candidate for member of the State committee for Centre county. Some time ago the WATCHMAN published a rumor that was abroad to the effect that the Colonel had such aspirations and while we knew nothing definite of his desires at that time we have learned since that he would deem it an honor should the Democrats of Centre county unite on him as their representative in the state organization. In casting over the field of men available for this duty we have discovered no one so admirably fitted as Col. Spangler would be. First of all he is an old Democrat with a reputation in the State such as would give him force as our representative in any gathering of party managers. He is an easy, logical speaker with a knowledge of politics that would command respect for plans he might have to suggest and he is not embroiled in any factional strife in the county. It will be remembered that Col. SPANGLER was ill during all of the years of our recent party unpleasantness in Centre county and for that reason it cannot be charged that he would represent one faction or the other. His candidacy land will get a big army into the field in operation in this country and the avershould be received with delight by those within fifty years and in the nature of age price of the machines is \$814.00. In Democrats of the county who are genu- things the Kaiser will he dead long be- case all other resources fail the automoinely interested in the party's welfare. fore that time.

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Brumbaugh's Absurd Balderdash.

Governor BRUMBAUGH has issued a The President has started upon his Of course the Republican Senators ex- From the Philadelphia Record. statement expressing his ideas on the tour of the Middle West, his purpose pect to gain a vast party advantage by national campaign. It is made up of being to personally appeal to the people nagging the administration upon its Mexglittering generalities and palpable ab- for support of his plans for strengthen- ican policy. Their action is likely to pend some of this indignation in quar- united in marriage at Blairsville and have retired surdities. The Governor aspires to shine ing the defensive equipment of the country into an expensive ters nearer home? Villa's brutal murton his farm near Indiana, where they will make as a phrase maker, and revels in cant try. It is his fashion to thus deal direct- and cruel war, but that doesn't deter ders of Americans, clearly intended to their home the remainder of their lives. and hypocrisy. As the political wet- ly with the public, Second hand comthem. They want to get back to the
Carranza Government, and quite beyond nurse of the VARES he knows about as munications, however carefully prepared crib where they feast upon the spoils of the ability of the United State to premuch concerning the science of govern- and conscientiously delivered, might be office. Separation from opportunities to vent, even though it had a standing arment as an Angora goat knows about misleading. In the personal presenta- graft is abhorrent to the average Repub. my of 2,000,000 men, are a shocking remachine guns. But he must be flam- tion there can be no such danger. The lican statesman and he is willing to re--The Governor has granted a respite, boyant to please his sponsers, ED and speaker appears before his audience, sort to any expedient to reconnect him-nation any more than the Turks' massauntil the week of February 21st, for BILL. Ornate figures of speech are as looks the listerners directly in the face self with the loot. The sacrifice of mil- cres of Armenians do. Of direct bearing PENNINGTON and MARCH, the Delaware musical in their ears as the squeal of a and reveals his mind to them. They lions of treasure upon this country, however, is the lynch. A syndicate has taken options on the stock and county murderers, who were to have pig and the odor of a piggery as satisfy-know whether he is sincere or not. The would be a cheap price for the Smoots, been electrocuted at the penitentiary on ing in their nostrils as the perfume of average American audience is made up the Penroses and the Falls to pay for geous defiance of the law follows closely

> In his statement Mr. BRUMBAUGH tells them. Governor BRUMBAUGH.

-You can't blame General SHERman was certainly a good soldier.

Crime Against the United States.

outlaw. But he has set his mind to the United States to armed intervention in to be a MANN. Mexico. Such intervention would not benefit him in the least. It could not reby conquest. It might prevent the success of CARRANZA's plans to restore order and orderly government in Mexico and possibly it may create and maintain for a considerable time a state of anarchy. But that is the best that can be hoped who is eluding authority and threatening

But Senators and Representatives in Congress who are insisting on intervention upon the part of the President of VILLA's chestnuts out of the fire." They are aiding him in his nefarious schemes to prolong disorder and continue murder and pillage. Every speech made in Congress, every editorial published in partisan journals and every shout for intervention gives him courage and determination to continue. But for such moral

to the hope of ultimate victory. Can any one imagine a more dangerous form of treason than this. The res- mation on which the above statement is toration of order in Mexico by conquest, based and it verily believes that buildif possible at all, would require an army ings erected at a moderate cost can be of a million men and the sacrifice of filled as soon as completed. probably half that many lives. It would cost the country millions of dollars a day for a period of many years and leave posterity with a burden of debt and a population of cripples for more than a generation. Yet there are men in and out of Congress willing to pay this vast price for what seems to them now a political advantage. No man who has has always been something of a nuisance the good of the country or the interests of the people at heart will contribute to beating his own record. But he isn't States.

-At present rate of progress Eng-

President Wilson's Western Tour.

Wednesday. We believe it is to afford roses. Brumbaugh furnishes the goods of intelligent men and women who meas- a party victory that would give them upon the lynching in Georgia of three ure accurately those who confront access to the treasury.

> ing way." We admit the "has been." Of are two elements of opposition, influencand contented," and the reputation of protests that there is no need for greater and prostituted the prerogatives of pow-there is a Presidential campaign apinto a "has been," there would be no to the people and ask for their endorse-

ment. After a few samples of such flamboy- The tour upon which the President has ion and deserves the success which will attend him.

-Representative MANN the Republic WOOD much. He thinks that his achieve. can floor leader in Congress made a stirments in the Civil war were the last ring appeal to men of all parties to supness plans he may have. Congressman Mann has hitherto been opposed to increasing the army or navy and his re-General VILLA is a self-confessed ban- he declares that it is not and should not purpose of forcing the government of the there in Congress who have the manhood

Wireless Station at High School.

How many people in Bellefonte know that at the High school there is a wireless station fitted out entirely by the boys of the school. Every evening they receive radio-grams from Arlington, Virginia; Brooklyn Navy Yard, and other places. The outfit and apparatus have been worked out and fitted up by the boys, and the installation has been done by them. Practical work of this sort is work are, Ray Durst, John Cunningham, Eugene H. Weik, instructor in science.

-Bellefonte is badly in need of support he would likely have given up houses for laboring men and mechanies. hope and abandoned effort weeks ago. Houses that can be had for a moderate But so long as the clamor continues in rent. While the demand at present is this country he is able to deceive the not so great yet there is every reason to mation from that unhappy victim of cirhalf-savage followers of his lost cause in- believe that within the next year the demand will be far in excess of the supply. The WATCHMAN is in possession of infor- war until the end of time.

In accepting responsibility for the sinking of the Persia by Turkey, the limit of diplomatic shifting has been reached. But the penalty ought to be as certain and swift as if Austria or Germany had perpetrated the crime.

-Senator HOKE SMITH, of Georgia, but in his nagging of the President he is of the time.

-There are four million automobiles bile is an asset worth while.

Nagging the President.

In his treatment of fereign affairs of the condemned men is a Quaker and us that "the Republican party has been This mission of the President is one of President Wilson has revealed the highof the condemned men is a Quaker and it is said that there has never, been a party of constructive achievements," great importance. The administration est standard of statesmanship. With even though their color was black; but Harry Callahan, a chaffent of Quaker put to death by law in Pennsyl- and "it has done things in a command- is up against a grave condition. There respect to the unhappy situation in Mex- so accustomed have we become to this ico he has been as wise as he has been the achievements we are not so certain. ed by diametrically opposite purposes, patient. As Senator Stone, of Missouri, the occurrence calls forth only protest. True it has made Philadelphia "corrupt but equally disconcerting. One of these declared the other day he could have multiplied his chances of re-election by that some armed thugs shot down in Pennsylvania "a stench in the nostrils defensive facilities and the other insists adopting the course the Republican Senof decent men" all over the country. It that the need is for greater increase than ators have been trying to force him into. guilty of no serious offense. During the has converted a government of the peo- he suggests. In all probability both have But he has considered only the interests Colorado mining troubles the strikers, ple into an oligarchy of corrupt contrac- ulterior reasons for their attitudes. of the country. He has conserved the some of whom were Greeks and men of tors. It has made public office in Penn- Political considerations go further than resources of the people regardless of his sylvania a synonym for official grafting patriotic impulses with selfish men and personal or political estate and he has cans are very quick on the trigger to kill adhered to policies which were just and any one, regardless of what country he Boyd Galbreath, found burned to a crisp in his er into agencies of spoliation. If the proaching. It is the President's duty, in patriotic through all the course of his hails from, and show no disposition to shanty near Caldwell Furnace, Armstrong coun-Republican party had not degenerated the circumstances, to present his plans official life. No President has ever made correct our ways in this regard. It is ty, has brought a verdict of "murder at the a grander record.

How different was the action of the member that we can exert no direct con-Democratic Senators when President Mc- trol over persons beyond our borders. ant absurdity the Governor, in his state- entered will cover a considerable area. KINLEY was in an analogous situation as the substantially good legislation, State and Kansas City, besides delivering short either branch of Congress offered an condemn Mexico as barbarous let us altrial. Kanzi is a Russian laborer employed party than because of it. Its tariff policy ly appeals to the conscience as well as in the National Legislature. But the difno thought except graft.

Odd Fellows to Celebrate.

The ninety-seventh anniversary of the establishment of Odd Fellowship in the Uniton Wednesday, April 26th. The Central mean pauperism for all but 2 per cent. Pennsylvania district, comprising eighteen counties will join in the celebration. In versal is significant. Especially so when the district are a total of five hundred How workingmen who are practically Lodges, Encampments, Cantons and Redit and murderer. He is a proclaimed be looked upon as a "partisan undertak- bekahs, with thousands of members. A ecutive committee composed of five members from the Bellefonte Lodge and two ducing classes would get more. members from each of the other Lodges was appointed and it will have charge of the arrangements for that day. It is the purpose to make this year's gathering From the Boston Herald. one of the best ever held and Odd Felco-operate heartily.

Booming Their Town.

The Harrisburg Chamber of Comunique in science departments of High merce, 140 members strong, with a schools in towns of this size. The boys band of twenty-four pieces, will make a who have assumed leadership in this trip through the central part of the State carried, against the labor and socialist about the middle of February for the Austin Hoy, Robert Musser, and Miles purpose of booming the capitol city in a Wetzel, under the supervision of Mr. business way. Bellefonte is one of the candidate, or fail to remember that he On Tuesday evening they received mes- train of five cars will arrive here about Justice Hughes. sages of most of the important news twelve o'clock noon on Thursday, Februthat appeared in Wednesday morning's ary 17th. The party has arranged for luncheon here and will spend an hour or two in Bellefonte before leaving for Lock pects will be vastly improved when these

-Belgium will remain at war "until Prussia is crushed," according to inforcumstances. Unless Great Britain "gets a move on," Belgium will continue in the

-Ash Wednesday this year falls on March 8th and Easter April 23rd, within two days of being as late as it is possible for it to fall. This naturally presages a dom in the conduct of their ordinary poslate spring, though the weather now tal correspondence as possible, while acdoes not indicate it.

-Pacifists in Congress who oppose preparedness but ask for extensive and expensive munition factories in their districts are somewhat inconsistent but prove that they care more for pork than patriotism.

----VILLA has not been captured, as this great crime against the United fooling anybody, except himself, even part reported the other day, but the American public is coming to an understanding of him and that has a tendency to diminish his capacity for evil.

> -A good sized delegation of Italians arrived in Bellefonte on Wednesday to on Monday. Owner can secure same from Mrs. Richard Lutz.

Some Home Lessons

over the killing of their fellow-citizens in

flection upon Mexico and Mexican civilization, but they do not reflect upon this ing in Georgia of five negroes who had been taken from jail. Such an outramitted the awful crime of speaking jocu- It was finally concluded that the foot had been unspeakably degrading practice of wreaking vengeance upon helpless victims that before he fell out of his seat and rolled down a It was not long ago at Roosevelt, N. J., the machine he drove was a total wreck. cold blood a number of Hungarians and Poles, not Americans, who had been other nationalities, were killed without

Some Startling Figures.

We do have such authority in our own

quarry in Pennsylvania where sufficient been more in spite of the Republican purpose. An able man speaking earnest- age had no allurement for the minority Mr. S. W. Strauss, president of the Amer- of \$22,000 was carried on the building. ican Society for Thrift, that in the Unitically. And knowing these facts he is has been destructive rather than con- the minds of his hearers and however ference is easily accounted for. The Re- ed States 66 out of every 100 people that doing the lime industry a positive injury structive. The present prosperity of energetic and vigilant his opponents they publican party has so long plundered the die leave no estate whatever; that out of by sending out bulletins under headings the country is proof positive that will be unable to deceive those who have people that its leaders have degenerated the remaining 34 only nine leave estates holder, has announced that within the next six larger than \$5,000; that the average of the balance of 25 is a little less than \$1, the vicinity of Philipsburg that will give work every 100 are partly or wholly dependent upon relatives, friends or the public for their daily bread, for their clothing and a roof under which to sleep; and that 98 per cent. of the Americans are words in military operations and the old port the President in whatever prepared-Strange to say, the only remedy Mr. Strauss offers for this deplorable condition of the people is to be more thrifty. living from hand to mouth can be more thrifty Mr. Strauss does not attempt to Douglas, Arthur Stevens and Arthur Gelbraski. ing." How many more Republicans are meeting of representatives from the va- side of the picture, the enormous forexplain. Nor does he draw the other escaped from durance vile and two of them are rious Lodges in the county was held in tunes that are being amassed through Bellefonte recently at which time an ex- predatory privileges. A moment's reflection would convince Mr. Strauss that, if re-captured at Jeannette. the predatory interests got less, the pro-

Five Kinds of Fools.

It is time that the Republican party issues its quadrennial call for the foollows throughout the county are urged to killer. He will find several groups ready her father Sunday afternoon. to his hand. For example, all Republi

> Who think that it will be easy to defeat President Wilson. Who badger or belittle the Weeks candidacy, which is serving a good purpose in the strategy of the situation.

Who think that the country can be vote, on the bald issue of preparedness. Who attach any significance to the towns that will be visited and the special has declared his willingness to support ing, January 16th. The flames started in a cloth-

> Who approach Justice Hughes by word or letter on the subject until the convention has made a nomination.

There are others, but Republican prosare exterminated

The Matter of Mails.

From the Hartford Courant. Our mails are being delayed and interrupted by British ships, but we are lacking in information as to just how much of this interference is repugnant to the letter and spirit of The Hague convention. The principle there laid down exexpressly limits the inviolability of the ords. mails in time of war. Its intention is to insure to all the nations as much freeknowledging the right of a belligerent to protect itself and to forestall attempts to help the enemy.

Everybody to Their Taste.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Only a very rich man could have as much fun with politics as George W. Perkins. Some millionaires would want to accumulate paintings or endow col-

Is There a New Coon in Town?

From the Keystone Gazette

A new black gentleman's glove, never worn, was found on East Howard street SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-Miss Carrie Moyer, of Macungie, who gained much fame as a baseball pitcher a few years ago, has resigned the principalship of that town. -William Rowe, a well known citizen of Du Bois and the last tax collector under the borough

form of government, is dead, aged 64 years. -Charles M. Dreisbach, of Rittersville, started divorce proceedings with the names of only five co-respondents, not being able to recall the names of the others.

-The Cambria county Commissioners were forced to borrow \$10,000 last Monday to carry on the business of the county. The loan will cost 5 per cent interest, too.

-The Bethlehem Steel company has purchased the Titusville Forge company's plant at Titusville and awarded contracts for \$300,000 worth of onstruction and improvements to be made. -Over \$500 has been subscribed to a fund for

the relief of Mrs. Myra Warden, of Punxsutaw ney, whose two daughters were burned to death Americans are rightfully indignant in a fire that destroyed her home a week ago. -Christian Herr, aged 83, of Latrobe, and Mrs. Mexico, but would it not be well to ex- Mary E. Fowley, aged 62, of Blairsville, were

> -The state highway district composed of Warren, McKean, Erie and Forest counties has been notified that the State will allot that district \$75 a mile for the 900 miles of state dirt highways to

be maintained during the coming summer. -The Fort Pitt Powder company at Kittanning. is about to change hands and become an instrument for the manufacture of war material

-Some excitement was created in Clearfield a few mornings ago by the discovery on the town negroes because one of them had com- dump of the foot of a boy aged about 14 years. larly and rather impertinently to a white thrown there by some physician who has sawed

-Harry Callahan, a chaffeur of Philipsburg, was struck by a train while crossing a track at Hawk Run on Wednesday and dragged 100 yards steep embankment. He had two ribs broken and

-There were 120 applicants for final citizenship papers before Judge Bell in naturalization court at Clearfield last week and nearly every one of them passed the examining questions put to them by the court and the special federal examiner from the Department of Commerce and

-A jury sitting in inquest over the remains of right to be hotly indignant over Villa's hands of unknown persons." A considerable shocking murders, but it is well to re- sum of money he is known to have carried, is

-The climax of a white slave drama was enacted in Bedford on Tuesday when four men country, but we do not exert it to pro- who were charged with stealing the wife and money belonging to Stephen Kanci, were arrested and placed under \$300 bail for a court

so remember Georgia and South Caro- at the Riddlesburg furnace. -Fire which was discovered at 5.45 o'clock Sunday evening completely destroyed the \$30, 000 public school building at Wilcox, five miles west of Johnsonburg, Elk county, in less than an hour's time. Nothing in the building with the We are told upon the high authority of exception of a few desks was saved. Insurance

-The Moshannon Coal company, of which Congressman Charles H. Rowland, representative of this congressional district, is the chief months it expects to open an operation in to several hundred men a day and ship from five

to seven hundred tons of coal daily. -When a portion of the roof of mine No. 30. operated by the Pennsylvania Coal and & Coke Co., at Patton, caved in last Saturday afternoon, James Warner was killed and John Rowland sus tained serious injuries. The accident occurred shortly after the night men had gone to work. Four were stationed within a few feet of the

'cave in", but Warner was directly beneath it. -After beating the guard, Harry Orr, until he was unconscious, three prisoners in the Westmoreland county jail at Greensburg, Charles still at liberty. Douglas, a black, is a murderer; Stevens, also colored, is charged with rape and Gelbraski with highway robbery. Stevens was

-Ransom Burdick, McKean county's oldest inhabitant and one of the most remarkable old men in the State, celebrated his 100th birthday anniversary at the home of his daughter. Mrs. Alvira Gallup, at Norwich Corners Sunday, January 16th. In honor of this event Mrs. Gallup had issued a large number of invitations to relatives and friends to be present at a reception for

-Early on Friday morning dynamiters blew up the new Mormon church in Buck valley, Fulton county, which was to have been dedicated on Sunday. Blood-hounds were placed on the trail, but no trace of the dynamiters could be secured. The church had been in course of erection for some time and was nearing completion, being ready for the plasterers. The congregation had about forty members, all living in the vicinity of Buck valley.

-The business section of Galeton, Potter county, was wiped out by fire early Wednesday morning store and spread through two blocks, destroying the Opera House, the Methodist church, the Central Hotel and a large hardware store. Many other buildings also were burned. The loss is estimated at \$300,000. The water supply was low because residents had turned on their spigots on Tuesday night to prevent frozen pipes.

-Robert L. Auten, Jr., a Sunbury newsboy, was walking along the main street of the bor-ough last Thursday when he saw a big pocketbook on the pavement. Picking it up, he found it crammed with hills and notes and took it to Oliver L. Drumheller, a hotel man, who was then talking with James L. Kremer, a Pittsburgh traveling man who was frantically telling of his loss. Kremer gave the boy \$1.50. The pocket-

-A fire which broke out in the composing rooms of the Public Spirit, Clearfield, about 10 o'clock Wednesday night, practically destroyed the building. The printing outfit, owned by Matt Savage was completely destroyed as was also a tailoring establishment and a photograph gallery. A department store on the first floor was badly damaged. The loss will reach nearly \$50,000. The origin of the fire is unknown. We sympathize with Editor Savage in his serious loss, as he carried no insurance.

-Hot bricks applied by his wife to cure an attack of paralysis caused the death of William Daberko, 78 of Meyersdale. After the couple had refused medical aid for some time, a constable forced entrance to the room in which Daberko lay ill and found him half naked on the bed, his left side burned half an inch deep by hot bricks which his wife applied. Daberko died several days after being found. About twelve years ago he was attacked by burglars and struck on the head with an ax. After lingering at death's door for a long time he recovered.