

INK SLINGS.

Hughes is the most carping Presidential candidate we have any recollection of.

The Elks had delightful weather for their outing up Spring Creek yesterday.

"Little Steel" is surely getting to be a big boy. Its performances lately are merely indicative of the fact that the public realizes that what once was mostly water is now real value, with an amazing earning capacity.

The Deutschland is reported to have arrived at the mouth of the Weser with all on board well. Friend and foe, alike, will acclaim the skill and daring of Capt. Koenig and his little crew.

It is quite probable that if the literacy test that some of the Senators now want applied to immigrants seeking admission to our shores had been applied at the time their own forbears were coming in we wouldn't have seen the spectacle of so many recreant Democrats that was shown in the upper house of Congress on Monday.

What a blessed relief Wednesday brought from a torrid wave, the like of which Bellefonte has seldom experienced.

From Sunday until Tuesday evening there were periods in each day when the temperature ranged from 94 to 98 degrees in the shade and there was not the usual cool nights to compensate for the excessive heat.

If Lieut. Boal has as many trials and tribulations getting out of the army as he had in getting into it we are inclined to imagine that Boalsburg has lost her "big gun" for keeps.

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The street committee did well to rope off High Street until the oil dressing that was put on Tuesday had thoroughly set.

A case of infantile paralysis has been reported from the upper end of the county, but the hope is strong that being an isolated case there will be no further outbreak of the disease in Centre county.

Do you know what marasmus is? If you don't, we'll tell you. It's a kind of malady that children get and some people call it "take off."

It gets on some peoples nerves when they are called upon to pay insurance premiums to the extent that they feel as if they were pouring money down a rat hole.

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President Wilson and the Farmers.

It is freely and universally admitted that President Wilson has encountered more difficult problems than any of his predecessors in the office, with the probable exception of Lincoln.

As a rule high officials have given little consideration to the perplexing questions involved in the pursuit of farming. Most of them believe that, in the language of the old song, "the farmer can always take care of himself."

Our attention has recently been called to this fact by a letter written by the President to Representative Lever, Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture, on the occasion of the signing of the Agricultural Appropriation bill.

But his helpfulness to the farmer has not been limited to these beneficent measures. The cotton futures act was opposed by the speculators in cotton but through the efforts of the President was passed.

With such a record to recommend him to the agricultural interests of the country every farmer in the country ought to be an enthusiastic supporter of Woodrow Wilson for President.

Admiral Dewey doesn't agree with those who insist that Secretary Daniels has "demoralized the navy."

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There may never be another war after the present butchery in Europe is ended but Great Britain will have to do some tall explaining to avert one.

Indications of the Maine Vote.

The signs indicate Democratic success in Maine this year. The party has carried the election on a Presidential vote only once since 1900.

It used to be thought that Maine was essentially the pivotal State and as the Republican majority ran beyond or under the 30,000 mark at the State election in a Presidential year, the drift of sentiment was measured.

Of course the Republicans are going to do their best to avert such a result of the vote and the Republican State chairman has secured a promise from Roosevelt for a speech at Lewiston on August 31st.

Hughes in California.

Justice Hughes is encountering the troubles of his life in California. Up until the time he reached the border of that State his junket was uneventful.

The trouble in California is that the merger of the Republicans and Progressives entered into between Penrose, Cannon, Smoot and other stalwarts on one hand and Roosevelt, Perkins and Bill Flinn on the other has not been ratified by the rank and file of either party.

This is the situation Justice Hughes encountered upon his entrance into California. Representatives of both parties have met him but instead of expressing a cordial welcome demanded a declaration of adherence to one side or the other.

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The Latest False Pretense.

The latest scheme to inveigle voters not in the habit of thinking to the support of Justice Hughes for President is the "Hughes Alliance."

We learn through some esteemed Republican contemporaries that consent of Chairman Wilcox has been given to organize a branch of this alliance in Pennsylvania and that William Draper Lewis, of Philadelphia; H. D. W. English, of Pittsburgh; Thomas Robins, "close associate of Colonel Roosevelt," and Colonel Sheldon Potter, Progressives; J. Benjamin Dimmick, Ira W. Stratton, Alba B. Johnson, Francis B. Reeves and Jasper Yates Brinton, Republicans, have been commissioned to form the organization.

These political adventurers have a perfect right to set any traps they like to catch voters to serve their purpose, in the open, but they have neither legal nor moral right to set up a false pretense to deceive the public.

Plain Party Treason.

Those Democratic Senators who have jeopardized the Democratic legislative programme by forcing consideration of the Immigration bill on Monday, are plain party traitors.

The existing immigration laws may be faulty in some respects. It must be admitted that undesirable do manage to get into the country notwithstanding the provisions of the present laws on the subject and it would be better if all such were excluded.

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Here We Are Again.

I took quite a trip On a solid gold ship. It weighed about ten thousand tons. Its sails, I believe, Were made of gossamer weave. That fairly out-dazzled the sun.

Appealing to Prejudice.

The south is Democratic principally as a result of the impelling power of tradition. Maintain the present breaks in the hitherto solid north and there would be far-reaching political changes in the south.

There are here and there men who distinctly remember that it was a solid north and a solid south that made the civil war possible.

Source of Allies' Munitions.

Until the Allies had begun their offensive they were for obvious reasons secretive about their production of munitions of war.

Candidate Hughes is already off the first page of the newspapers and there is danger that he will be lost in the shuffle before the campaign is half over.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

James F. Sheaffer, of Lewistown, who saved his wife from a serious trolley accident at the expense of fatal injuries to himself on Saturday night, died at the local hospital on Wednesday.

The Clearfield County Agricultural Association has concluded successful negotiations for taking over the Clearfield Driving Park and will improve it for the purpose of holding fairs thereon.

B. S. Moore, State orchard demonstrator, who has been working near Punxsutawney for the past few weeks, announced the presence of the San Jose scale to an alarming extent in that vicinity.

Mike Yuhasz, a Slav 30 years old, is in the Clearfield jail charged with the murder of an older man supposed to bear the name of H. J. Almsworth, at the coke ovens at Tyler. Yuhasz admits his guilt.

Judge Corbett, of Jefferson county, directed Grant Kuhn, who admitted that he had been running a speakeasy in Punxsutawney, to pay a fine of \$750 and costs of prosecution and also to spend six months in the Allegheny county workhouse.

Wayne McCoy, of near Utahville, Clearfield county, working in Phillipsburg, fell from the third floor of the Potter house in that town the other night, sustaining a fracture of the base of the skull and two fractures of the jaw. He does not know what caused him to fall.

Daniel Corwe, aged 33, and Alonzo Brant, aged 12, were both injured by one falling on a shooting affray at the Kittanning fair last week. The former is said to be dying in the hospital, while the latter was only slightly injured. Birch escaped but was arrested.

Fire originating through spontaneous combustion destroyed the large barn of Adam J. Black, County Commissioner, at Broadtop City, Pa., on Monday, together with nine mules, three horses, 125 tons of hay, the entire season's grain crop and 500 worth of farming utensils. The loss is \$17,000, insurance \$3,000.

An ice plant that is exciting the interest of automobilists for miles around is in operation near Coudersport. It is a natural phenomenon on a two acre tract. The ice is formed through action of nature during the summer months and melts in winter. The ice is formed at a depth of 40 feet and is taken out through a 12-foot shaft.

Gilbert Hoover, of Cooper township, Clearfield county, has instituted a \$5,000 damage suit against the Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corporation, growing out of caves-in on his farm, injuring the land and buildings. Mr. Hoover alleges that the corporation mined the coal under the land and failed to leave proper support for the surface.

A verdict of first degree murder was on Wednesday returned against Henry Mottern, of Brookville aged 16, who was charged with the killing of William Haines, a farmer of Sprinkle's Mills, last March. Ernest Haines, aged 18, a son of the slain man, was at once placed on trial on a similar charge. Mottern, in a confession, alleged that young Haines plotted the shooting and hired him to do it. Robbery was the motive.

James Haws, of Johnstown, in company with William Hurl, of Lewistown, attempted to let themselves down the 700-foot incline on Jack's mountain, near the latter place, on a small truck with a scorch stick as a brake. Hurl, before he had gone thirty feet, leaped to safety, but Haws hung to the truck until it gained considerable momentum and only leaped when he approached a curve where the truck left the tracks and turned turtle. He was painfully injured.

Edward Boland, a freight brakeman, 22 years old, was shot and killed on Monday night by an automobilist in Fairmont park. Boland and two other young men were walking along a drive when they were almost run down by a machine in which were a man and woman. Jumping to the side of the road Boland exclaimed "You had better turn on your lights." The automobilist replied by firing two shots which struck Boland in the head. He then cut on full speed and disappeared.

Because he followed the advice of his father-in-law and spanked his bride of two months, Earl Eustice, of Altoona, is in jail. She developed a mania to spend all her evenings in the parks, he said, and all his pleadings that she stay at home were in vain. She also defied her father, who thereupon suggested personal chastisement. When she was spanked she swore out a warrant. Her husband and her parent, asked her to try marriage over again, but she was obstinate.

Boyd Crumrine, aged 75, prominent as a lawyer, died at his home at Washington, Pa., early on Monday. He had been declining gradually in health for months, but his condition did not become serious until last week. He was formerly district attorney of Washington county and later was appointed United States Deputy Marshal for the western district of Pennsylvania. In 1877 Gov. Beaver appointed him reporter of the State Supreme court. He was a veteran of the Civil war.

Breaking into the home of his father-in-law, Isaac Shirk of Tyrone, at 2 a. m. Friday, Frank McCarty, aged 31, a signalman employed by the Pennsylvania railroad and a ball player went to a room where his wife was sleeping and attempted to shoot her. Mrs. McCarty and her sister, Lillian Shirk, who were sleeping together, escaped in the dark. Mr. Shirk located McCarty in the room and summoned an officer. As they entered the house McCarty shot himself, dying as they reached his side. McCarty and his wife separated a week before.

Yegsmen entered the Driftwood post-office, dynamited the big safe and escaped with \$1,000 worth of stamps and \$500 in cash, besides other valuable papers, early on Monday. No one heard the explosion and the robbery was not discovered until the office was opened for the morning's business. It is presumed that the explosion was timed with a passing freight. Inspector Irish, of Ridgway, was apprised of the robbery, and arrived ten o'clock. He is going over the ground with detectives now working on the case. The police of surrounding towns have been notified to keep on the watch for the robbers.

Although R. L. Jordan and Freda V. Best, both of Milton, have been married four days, in the eyes of the law their marriage is invalid. Jordan and Miss Best applied at the office of John I. Carr at Sunbury for a license on July 15. On August 14 they were married in Detroit, Mich., by Rev. Walter Frant, pastor of the Methodist church there. Mr. Carr yesterday received the return card from the pastor and he immediately notified the couple of their error. A marriage license issued in Pennsylvania is good only when the ceremony is performed in this State. Mr. Carr informed the young couple that they either must come back to the Keystone State to be married or must secure a Michigan license.