

INK SLINGS.

Fine weather for seeding, isn't it?
Congress has adjourned and the country will enjoy the rest quite as much as the Congressmen.

Maine is not worrying us. It went overwhelmingly Republican in September, 1892, and in the following November Grover Cleveland swept the country for President.

Judging from the looks of the Governor's tourists as they passed through Bellefonte Tuesday afternoon they must have been collecting samples of all the soil stratas through which they had passed.

When the Governor and the members of his Agricultural touring party went through Bellefonte on Tuesday afternoon the car in which the Governor was riding did not take the route that most of the others took through Allegheny street.

We can't imagine why some of the promoters of the Granger's picnic at Centre Hall should have gotten as excited as they are reported to have been over the determination of the State Health Department to exclude children under sixteen years of age from the grounds.

Congressman Rowland wasn't present or voting when the eight hour law was passed to avert the railroad strike. No matter what his attitude may have been it seems to us that he should have seized the opportunity to go on record on such an important measure as that.

Just how the management of the Granger's picnic at Centre Hall can reconcile its refusal to permit the anti-suffragist advocates to open headquarters on their grounds with the broad gauged, tolerant policy that we had always believed to be pursued by the Grangers, we are at a loss to understand.

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Result of the Maine Election.

Though the result of the election in Maine on Monday may be disappointing to over-sanguine Democrats it will hardly afford unalloyed satisfaction to the Republicans.

No conservative Democrat expected the election of the Democratic candidate for Governor on Monday and few looked for as small a majority for the Republican candidate as is reported at this time.

Four years ago the Republican party in Maine was split, the largest proportion going to Roosevelt who also received some Democratic support.

Guardsmen on the Mexican Border.

The malignant charges that the National Guardsmen were badly treated in transportation to the Mexican border and insufficiently provisioned after their arrival there have been discontinued.

The National Guardsmen on duty on the Mexican frontier are willingly performing a most important and valuable service for their country.

Is Justice Hughes and are those who joined him in denunciation of the President for sending and keeping the Guardsmen on the border of the opinion that it would be better or wiser to let the border citizens suffer from raids of Mexican banditti?

One Question Upon Which They Agree.

The one question upon which Justice Hughes and his party managers are entirely agreed is that the eight-hour day is an atrocious iniquity. Ever since Congress enacted the law making eight hours a standard for railroad trainmen, Mr. Hughes has been hammering at it and all other stump orators and the press of his party are equally active in the same direction.

Of course these gentlemen accuse President Wilson of being responsible for this industrial improvement or reform, and in the language of Madam Malaprop, "we own the soft impeachment." The country was on the brink of a vast calamity.

Wage earners compose not only the vast majority of the voters of this country but an equally large proportion of the wealth producers.

Increase of Appropriations Justified.

The appropriations made by the Congress which has just adjourned its first session are unquestionably large. In the aggregate they amount to nearly a billion and a-half.

In Speaker Reed's time the appropriations of one session of Congress amounted to a billion dollars. That was more than twenty years ago and nobody thought of preparing for war.

Will Justice Hughes or any other man say that the nearly seven hundred million dollars appropriated for preparation for national defence ought not to have been so used? We do not think so.

Brumbaugh Violates a Pledge.

Governor Brumbaugh is today completing the first of his much heralded junkets for the alleged purpose of inspecting the highways and encouraging the agriculturists of the State.

But on the first day out Governor Brumbaugh violated his pledge to refrain from politics. At Centre Hall he encountered a large body of farmers who were enjoying a Grangers' picnic and he turned his vocal batteries against President Wilson's administration into their faces.

When you are motoring and blow your horn to notify a horse driver ahead that you would like to pass, have you ever noticed that, after hearing your horn, he just has to look back to see what made the noise before he starts to pull his team to the right side of the road, where he ought to have been anyway.

The Way Brother Bailey Sees It.

If Brother Meek of the Bellefonte "Watchman" has been berating Senator Penrose because the State of Pennsylvania is broken the Centre county sage has the wrong bull by the tail.

Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, has done a good many things during the brief period in which he has served that deserve and have received popular execration.

The president of the Santa Fe says he will not obey the eight hour act of Congress but he will probably change his mind on the subject. Wild Western notions are not always permanent.

Labor and the Eight-Hour Day.

From The Public. It has long been apparent to the observing that the struggle between the railway managers and the trainmen represents but a phase of the eight-hour question.

The struggle of organized labor for an eight-hour day has become worldwide. But the organization is not sufficiently strong to carry it in all trades at once.

Are Backing Bill.

Billy Sunday blew into Ocean Grove and blew out at the end of three days with only \$5.00 to the good. Rather than pick up the money he represented, Bill should have been given 10,000 bones at least.

From Saturday's Johnston Democrat.

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The suffragettes want to raise a campaign fund of one million dollars and as they are all in favor of civic righteousness and political honesty we are at a loss to know how they will spend so much money.

President Wilson's kind of peace may be expensive, as some of our Republican contemporaries say, but the price is paid in dollars instead of human lives and that is something worth while.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

Bids for the new public building, DuBois, will be received up to October 19. The bakers of Sunbury have made a twenty per cent. increase in the price of bread, alleging the greater cost of flour as a reason.

W. H. Albright, whose home is near Wallaceston, Clearfield county, has acquired more or less local distinction from the fact that he is the father of twenty children. The solicitor of the Johnstown school board has announced that the teachers of that city are not entitled to their salaries for the month of September.

A fair showing of oil in a well drilled a half mile south of Corsica, Jefferson county, close to the Clarion county line, has caused considerable excitement in that section, and leases are being taken up on all sides of the new well.

In Williamsport the police patrol boxes are to be left unlocked from 10 o'clock at night until 7 o'clock in the morning in order that fire alarms may be sent over them or physicians called by citizens in emergency cases.

Choosing the grave of his wife, who had been dead about seven years, as the place to put an end to his own life, Michael Streb, aged 73, a resident of Philadelphia, hanged himself from the branch of a tree in Northwood cemetery.

By order of the State Sanitary Board, John W. Bower, of Armstrong township, Lycoming county, has been arrested charged with cutting the throat of a cow that had died and then disposing of the carcass through a butcher to consumers.

Earl C. Kissell, of Lock Haven, died suddenly in the paper mill there last Friday. A subsequent investigation showed that he had entered the building wearing wet clothing and that a live wire with which he came in contact caused his electrocution.

Roy Worthum, a resident of New Kensington, Westmoreland county, was found dead in his bed the other morning. It is said a man named Tholis, with whom he had a heated argument in a pool room the previous night, struck him on the head with a cane.

Allentown Judge Garman refused to transfer a hotel license to Benjamin S. Reinert, saying he heard the applicant had borrowed the money with which to go into the hotel business, and adding that men who borrow capital with which to embark in business invariably get into trouble.