Aemocratic Watchman. BY P. GRAY MEEK

INK SLINGS.

-Is Austria's growing impatience for peace the rift in the cloud we have all been longing to see?

-"Warm rooms for rent" are the signs that are attracting most attention in Bellefonte just now.

-So far as the central heating plant and Bellefonte are concerned every day will be a heatless day after tomorrow.

-Snow surely has played havoc with railroad transportation, but far the worst is yet to come if the snow goes off with floods.

some Bellefonters to sing "The End of a Heatless Day."

-We hope that no scandals grow will be necessary to keep Bellefonters warm after tomorrow.

Garfield as much trouble as he is giving McAdoo concern. But both gentlemen are doing their best to overcations point to complete success.

Romanoff girls attending meetings ed the tide of thought. and espousing the cause of the Bolformer Czar. They can be real girls life.

-A disposition to do big things in an unostentious way prompted a gentleman, who doesn't live a thousand miles from Snow Shoe, to present the Bellefonte hospital with a car load of coal on Tuesday, with the request that "nothing be said about it." We violate his confidence only far enough to let the public know that there are such people living in Centre county.

have been under the impression that ice. they have been paying too much for steam heat are now going to find out wide process. An amendment of the just how much the luxury they have been enjoying has been costing someone else. The coal bill, the ash-man's charges and the time and trouble of sult. It is neither a new nor novel acfiring a furnace or stoves will be apt tion. to revise the ideas of many in our adopted by Congress in 1869, created midst.

-Tomorrow the Bellefonte steam heating plant will give up the ghost and put the burden of heating nearly two hundred homes and business places up to the individual occupants. The situation is serious for the reason that many are without stoves and



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Duty of Senators Penrose and Knox.

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That an overwhelming majority of the people of Pennsylvania favor the day evening it will be appropriate for was submitted in 1915 the popular for the amendment to the State conout of the enforced doubling up that stitution, therefore, expressed simply the sentiment of an advance guard in a rapidly augmenting force. Since ment on the subject and public opincome adverse conditions and the indi- of the women of the country in pre- to every patriotic heart in this broad paring for and supporting the govern- land. -News reports have two of the ment in the war has completely turn-

In the last Presidential campaign sheviki. What a lot of entirely new both the great parties were pledged and, no doubt, interesting experiences to the principle of universal suffrage. preference for individual State action now and have a real girl's fun out of in the achievement of the result and the Republican platform was purpose-

ly ambiguous. But liberally interpreted both promised the enfranchisement of women and good faith requires the fulfillment of that promise by the surest and speediest process. Personally we would prefer action by individual States if there were a reasonable hope of success in that course. But there is no probability in that direction. The minority would be able to delay action for a generation by -A lot of people who, for years employing the machinery at its serv-

> The alternative is in the nation-Federal constitution forbidding any State to limit the franchise on account of sex will accomplish the re-The Fifteenth amendment, the precedent. Both the Pennsylva-

nia Senators, Simon Cameron and John Scott voted for it and all the Republican Representatives for the State voted the same way. The amendment was ratified by the Legislature of the State within a month, every Republican Senator and Reprethe extra demand for coal can not be met unless the local yards are given a far larger supply then the set of a far larger supply than they have principle, therefore, forbidding Republicans to support such a measure.

Secretary of War Baker's reply to Senator Chamberlain was as complete admits of doubt. When the question been framed in language. It was not voice was stifled by political ma- President or the military officials digiven. The considerable total vote for war. But it was a clear, concise under adverse conditions in masterpurpose of arousing popular senti- partment "has broken down" and revealed a measure of efficiency and ion has been reversed. The service achievement which must be gratifying

Secretary Baker's Statement.

After submitting documents which disproved the charge that the physicneglected Secretary Baker added, "no posed to communicable diseases to

greater army than the public thought and instead of 50,000 men which his principal critic said ought to be sent to France during 1917 more than ten while it has been made possible to put within the first few months of the perfect vindication of his industry, efing at his heels during the past several months.

-Curiously enough the letter attacking the management of the army cantonments from an anonymous father was addressed to Senator Tather was addressed to Senator Wadsworth, floor lobbyist of the beef trust and loaned to Senator Chambertrust and loaned to Senator Chamberlain to attack the administration. Present Duty of the Allies. tion The German Chancellor and the The ash cart statesmen are to be giv- tion in the Senate within a short Austria-Hungarian Foreign Minister are not usually classed with the deen right of way in Philadelphia and time. In behalf of the women of simultaneously replied to President generative diseases, in a recent tabu-Penrose is to have the pickins' in the Pennsylvania we appeal to Senators Wilson's peace proposals a week ago Tation of statistics of 126 victims of rest of the State. Will Pennsylvania Boies Penrose and Senator Philander and followed much the same lines. pneumonia, only five were under to go over the top again. It seems They are pledged by their party plat- ment could be reached without diffi- 163 victims of tuberculosis, only 36 to us she has suffered enough at the form to this action. They are bound culty on the first four of the Presi- were below the age of twenty-five, and by every principle of honor and obli- dent's fourteen points and the For- of these all but twelve were above -Friends of the soldiers who have gation of promise to support the eign Minister said that "an exchange adolescence. So that the matter has measure. They are restrained neither of views between America and Aus- added interest and importance if we tion! An order has been issued that by precedent nor tradition of party tria-Hungary might form the start- reflect that the five fatal maladies in unless every man who enlisted on or in the matter. The women of Penn- ing point for a conciliatory discussion question claim their victims very largely from among the ranks of the adult population. But beyond that neither of them holds That our community has not been Only the other day the Republican out any offer which might be accept-National committee of which Senator able to all. In fact they are distinctly these diseases is patent to anyone who gives the subject consideration, apart even from the matter of statistics, for it is an acknowledged and repolitical activities. What right have enants, freedom of the seas, removal grettable fact that many of our lead-Republican leaders to ask favors of of economic barriers and reduction of -A Patterson, N. J. grocery has the women of Pennsylvania when they armaments. Each of these is a necesprime of life and at the period of been ordered to stay closed for a deny them a privilege that is essen- sity of the future of Germany and their greatest and most brilliant acmonth as a penalty for having sold tial to full and free citizenship? It Germany would probably violate the tivities. four hundred pounds of sugar to one is true that the Democratic National first at the earliest opportunity, for Calling to mind-just a few are: customer, all of which goes to show committee set the example by naming secret and intriguing diplomacy has An Ex-Governor dying of pneumonia, that it doesn't pay to monkey with such an auxiliary and that the action been the long suit of the German Em- at fifty-two years of age; a talented the regulations laid down by the Food of the Republican committee was a pire for a quarter of a century. As young lawyer, of apoplexy, at forty-Controller. Mr. Hoover hopes to have sort of forced process. But it carries to the other points the Chancellor's two; another, of Bright's disease, at with it the obligation to be just to propositions are as impudent as they fifty-three; another, of organic heart his plans bear fruit through the vol-untary compliance of all with his reg-the women of the country and we are absurd. Count Czernin's sugges-disease, at about the same age; anoth-disease, at about the same age; anoth-ed, and the total armed forces which earnestly appeal to Senators Penrose tion of an exchange of views between er, slightly older, of apoplexy; a have been enrolled reach to seven and and Knox to "prove their faith by America and Austria-Hungary with young business man of thirty, whose a half millions. But, more must be the idea of "starting a conciliatory death was mourned by the entire got and more will be got. discussion" is equally preposterous. town, of pneumonia complicated by

to their almost exhausted armies. It

-----The Philadelphia Ledger seems

time.

"Let Us Make Health Contagious Instead of Disease."

There should be more than passing enfranchisement of women no longer a narrative of achievement as has ever interest for Bellefonte readers in the articles by Henry Smith Williams, a defense of the War Department, the L.L. D., M. D., "Why Die Before Your Time." reprinted in the "Watchchinery and the true verdict was not recting the operations in preparation man" from Hearst's Magazine. Dr. Williams tells of a good many things and conclusive review of the work that are new not only to the average that has been done by the government layman but perhaps to the average physician as well. He is fortunate ful manner. It served to fully refute enough to have been on the firing--The weather man is giving then the world war has served the the vicious charge that the War De- line of the pioneer movement and some of the discoveries, of which he speaks, are so recent that they received first publication in technical journals almost coincidently with their presentation in his articles.

Statisticians tell us that, while there is a reduction of mortality in infanal condition of the army had been cy and early adult life through the conquest of certain communicable disarmy has ever been assembled nor can eases, the degenerative or regressive are in store for the daughters of the The Democratic party expressed a any be which does not bring together diseases, which affect chiefly those in those who heretofore have been ex- middle life and old age, are steadily increasing and that this phenomenon which they are not immune and the is something almost peculiar to the most that can be done is to meet those United States. It is not exhibited in conditions with every device and sug- the mortality statistics of the leadgestion which science and care can ing European countries as these devise." That has been done in every show improved mortality at every instance with a few exceptions and age period. In the United States reg every delinquent medical officer was istration area, the mortality from properly punished for his neglect. diseases of the heart, blood vessels

Nothing more could be done in the and kidneys increased 41 per cent. With respect to their alleged delin-quencies the Secretary was equally specific. He showed that a vastly greater army than the public thought a target to greater army than the public thought a stampt to account for this. Final data the period is period in the solution is the solution in the solution is the solution in the solution in the solution in the solution is the solution in thes an attempt to account for this, Prof. of has been organized and equipped Irving Fisher, of Yale, says, "It seems evident that unless this increaseed mortality is due to some unknown biologic influence or to the amalgamatimes that number are now there tion of the various races that constitute our population, it must be as-1,500,000 troops into that country cribed, in a broad sense, to a lack of tion. Let us hope that revolution may adaptation to our rapidly developing come, if it shall result in the demopresent year. His statement is a civilization. Whether or not there is one principal cause that determines ficiency and ability, and it put to the unfavorable trend of mortality in shame every critic who has been carp- this country as compared to other civilized nations has not yet been conclusively shown."

Dr. Williams takes up in sequence a popular study of each of the five

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-Miss Rebecca Spring, daughter of Sheriff Spring, of Williamsport, is teaching the female population of the Lycoming county jail to knit socks and scarfs for the soldiers. The Red Cross furnishes needles and yarn.

-William A. Hibler, aged 18 years, a track hand in the employ of the Pennsylvania railroad, and residing on the opposite side of the river from Hyner, Clinton county, was struck by the east-bound passenger train a mile west of Ritchie station and almost instantly killed, last week.

-Mrs. Margaret Dorsey, 81 years of age, at one time owner of the Dorsey oil farm at Adams Station, Butler county, and other property valued at \$50,000 and having an income from oil royalties of \$200 a day, was taken to the Butler county Home a few days ago. Mrs. Dorsey became the prey of swindlers. For several years she had been living in poverty.

-Henry Soladi, aged nineteen years, and his brother Charles, aged twentyfour, both of Schuylkill county, are in jail at Sunbury, confessed murderers. After their arrest in DuBois on Saturday they confessed to having held up and shot Charles Schleig, near Shomokin, several weeks ago. Henry confessed to doing the shooting. They were taken to Sunbury on Sunday.

-Alton B. Deidigh, of near Balin, Perry county butchered a Poland China hog a few days ago that dressed 784 pounds and from which he took seven and one-half cans of lard, fifty pounds to the can, or a total of 375 pounds. The lard alone was sold at 30 cents a pound and netted the sum of \$112.50. A few of this breed of hogs would put the owner in the millionaire class.

-Mrs. Emma Lorah, of Wilkes-Barre, who was suing the Commonwealth for damages because her son, Bruce Lorah, was killed on a target range by a national guardsman four years ago, reached an agreement with the Commonwealth when her case came to trial in Dauphin county court Thursday and dropped proceedings when the State agreed to pay all costs and give her \$875.

-Fire at an early hour Sunday moraing destroyed the Williamsport private hospital, and endangered the lives of over a score of patients in the building, which was a three-story brick structure in the centre of that city. Ambulances were hur-

years well known throughout the State as ever had for the war precipitated by Germany. Strikes and rioting indi-cate the desperate straits which have a physician and surgeon, died at his home in Harrisburg late on Sunday. For twenbeen reached by the overburdened people of King Charles. ty years he had been the Pennsylvania Railroad company surgeon at Harrisburg. He was sixty-one years old and was born And now we have intimations that in Orbisonia, Huntingdon county. His the Empire is on the brink of revolufather was a celebrated physician and his two brothers are engaged in the medical profession.

cratization of the unhappy country. Deprived of Austrian support, Ger-many's cause will collapse like a house -Mrs. Esther Kline, of Easton, is the defendant in a suit at law brought against her by David Bear, of Pittsburgh, who wants to recover \$1,500 from her for dam-Statements of the war aims of the ages suffered by him in August last, at Allies by President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George have tended to clear the film from the eyes of the long deceived Austro-Hungarians. Atlantic City, N. J., in a collision between two automobiles, one owned by Mrs. Kline and the other by Mr. Bear. The plaintiff alleges that Mrs. Kline's auto was driven at a high speed, carelessly and negligently, resulting in a collision in which he lost

been able to get thus far.

State politics is to the effect that Penrose and the Vares have gotten to- It passed the House some weeks ago gether on another peace program. and will be called up for considerapermit this destructive combination C. Knox to support the amendment. The Chancellor said that an agreehands of these political Huns.

enlisted from Centre county, attenplication before February 12th next justice by patient, helpful and efficient yet entered into peace negotiations." he will be debarred from getting any work in the war. advantage from the governments' it favorably.

ulations, but he means to force compliance if we are not patriotic enough to give it voluntarily.

-Talking about retaining your mental poise at all times its a mighty difficult thing to do when you are observing a wheatless, meatless, heatless day and then just about the time you want to go to bed and forget it all you discover that the accumulation of ice and snow on the roof of your house has started leaks that send you scurrying to the cellar for tubs in which to catch the drips and then you look hopelessly at the ruined ceilings. There ain't no such thing as an even temper then.

the minds of reasonable persons that Secretary Baker was doing all that was humanly possible in the conduct of the War Department his statement to the Senate committee on military affairs, last Monday, ought to finally and effectually put a quietus to the unfair criticism of his work. No more candid, no more reassuring statement has come from any public official. Furthermore, the Secretary has revealed, just what might have been expected, that in every critical stage of the progress in our preparation for war he sought and accepted the judgment of the best trained men in our army. If their judgment is not to be tained a military establishment at all

An amendment to the Federal con--The latest political gossip in stitution enfranchising women is now pending in the United States Senate.

before October 15th, 1917, makes ap- sylvania have earned this measure of among all the States which have not

opportunity to miss. Read the plan Penrose is a leading member appoint- in the opposite direction. in another column and telegraph your ed an auxiliary committee of women The four points upon which the boy to get it at once if you consider to help that party in the impending Chancellor could agree are open cov-

works."

----Of course by this time we have It could lead to nothing but disap- Bright's disease and, just within the gotten pretty well used to buying su- pointment. gar in one and two pound lots, coal

by the bucketfull and flour by the 24 for three cent stamps at the postoffice both or either of them are or is will-another, yet younger, forty-six, priand were told that they were entirely out and we had to take two's and and justice to acquire such a peace. few? But the number can be multione's, thereby making us do just In their peace negotiations with Rusdouble the amount of licking.

like a man who could use that "short-

-While there never was doubt in er and uglier word" if he wanted to is a waste of time and a compromise and would if Chamberlain persisted.

-When the time comes that coffee is the only fluid served at banquets visiting statesmen will be in less danger of saying things.

-The harmony deal doesn't take in Denny O'Neil, however, and Denny thinks he is important enough to be reckoned with.

-If the meat packers are tried in the criminal courts the jail popua better purpose. lation will be perceptibly and properly increased.

-If Senator Chamberlain should to be afraid that some inside inforrelied upon then what have we main- resign now Roosevelt might give him mation concerning our military opera job as office boy which is about his ations will not reach the Kaiser in size.

The plain truth is that neither Gerdeaths-a man, prominent and of many nor Austria-Hungary want wide business interests, of pneumopound sack, but the knockout blow peace upon terms other than such as nia, aged fifty-three; a physician, dear a few millions in a year. came on Wednesday when we asked will inure to their advantage and to us all, of cancer, at fifty-six and

plied as we too well know. sia they are simply "sparring for And now for vital statistics of this time," in order to recruit their deplet-

borough, taken at random, of adults -And President Wilson looks ed forces and give rest and strength over twenty-five years of age, for one month and we have: Cause Age 29

Hemorrhage from lungs Chronic valvular heart trouble Pneumonia

Cancer Cardiac dilatation Cancer Dilatation of heart Bright's disease

In the eight deaths of adults, over 25 years occurring during this month there are seen to be 3 from heart-disease, 2 from lung disease, 2 from cancer and 1 from Bright's disease.

Another month, also taken at ranlom-

Age 42 51 57 65 68 68 Lobar pneumonia Acute Bright's disease Cancer Chronic nephritis Apoplexy Arterio-sclerosis

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erence to the newest pronouncements of science regarding their causation, treatment, and in particular, preventions with Russia, has revealed to the

of cards.

ry the character of an ally in which they had, up to this time, placed some twenty-five years of age and among measure of confidence. Let the revolution come-quickly. It will mean an early and lasting

peace.

BOOST YOUR TOWN.

From the Springfield Republican.

Tell 'em so.

Help her grow.

Don't you know?

If the other fellow's it,

Who's to blame?

That's the game.

For awhile;

And a smile.

Comes along,

Make it strong;

Change your style;

Let the other fellow roast,

When a stranger from afar

Needn't flatter, never bluff,

You can't go wrong.

From the Johnstown Leader.

Get a name;

If you think your town's the best,

You'll feel bully when it's through

Spend your money in your town,

Give the mail concerns a frown-

If you're used to giving knocks,

Throw bouquets instead of rocks

Shun him as you would a ghost,

Tell him who and what you are-

Tell the truth, for that's enough;

Join the boosters, they're the stuff,

Let Us Hope for Revolution.

ever enthusiasm the people may have

Meet his hammer with a boast

Thus keep your prices down;

If you'd have her lead the rest,

When there's anything to do

Let the fellows count on you,

If you want to make a hit,

Britain Sends a Half Million More. From the Altoena Times.

Great Britain is to recruit half a million additional men into the Britexempt from its toll of deaths from makes this necessary. must be done to stem the tide until est-and that is what Britain is going to do.

If necessary young men will be grettable fact that many of our lead-ing men have been cut off in the d as essential to war service, as man power is the present important thing. It is calculated by the British authorities that the conduct of Russia will release 1,600,000 men from the eastern front. It is necessary to re-enforce the allied fronts to meet this onslaught. America cannot do so at once, so Britain must.

There are at present four million

This ought to be an incentive to America to hasten. It shows how imperative is all haste and what can past year, three unusually touching be done, for if Britain can put out seven and a half millions in three years and a half, we ought to get out

both or either of them are or is will-ing to make any sacrifice of honor and justice to acquire such a peace. to us all, of cancer, at fifty-six and another, yet younger, forty-six, pri-marily of heart trouble. Only a must be sure that he will not only continue to be held but that he will

be put on the run. Task Ahead Not Easy.

From the Omaha Bee.

Americans should not be misled into unwarranted security by talk of Germany's impending collapse. No more dangerous or insidious form of Bedford county's prettiest girls. The cerpropaganda is possible than this. Hope and desire for an early conclusion of hostilities is natural and com- had been awarded a contract by State mon to all, but nothing exists to jus- Highway Commissioner J. Denny O'Nell tify a belief in such a consummation. for the construction of state road in Clear-Our people may be assured that the field county, at his bid, upwards of \$40,-Kaiser does not intend to surrender 000. Scarcely had the excitement occauntil beaten; peace by negotiation is a remote possibility and the German and the announcement of the contract nation never was more united than awarding died out, than he was informed now. This means that the big job be-fore us is not easy; our government one of the class A 1 men from the First will require the sacrificing support of district of Blair county, which contingent, all its patriotic citizens for many weary days yet to come. We will win will leave for camp about February 15th. the war, but it will be no holiday Mr. McKillip and bride are now off on a march

of the world. And they are in accord with that hope and aspiration. \$1,500 in several different ways. —Removing the cap from a g -Removing the cap from a gas connec Germany, in showing the cruel tion in the basement, and leading a pipe claws of the militarist-annexationist at the Brest-Litovsk peace delibera-Hazleton, aged thirty-one years, committed suicide by inhaling the fumes early While pneumonia and tuberculosis present Russian leaders the nature of last Thursday. His sister-in-law, Mrs. the autocracy with which they are at- John Wilman, aroused by the cries of a tempting to deal; and it has served child, was blown out of the side of a to show the people of Austro-Hunga- building as the result of a terriffic explosion that occurred as she lighted a lamp. The house wos wrecked. John Wilman and Mrs. Louise Santee, aged mother of the victim, were badly burned.

-The jury in the case of Alice Bierly vs. the New York Central Railroad company, sitting at Corning, brought in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$7,500 at nine o'clock Tuesday night of

last week. The plaintiff had sued to recover for the death of her husband, Henry Bierly, a Central brakeman, who was ish army at once. The rush of the killed a few months ago while at work in Germans from the east to the west the Avis yards, when he was thrown from Something a box car on which he was riding as it was "kicked" into a string of cars by a America gets into the game in earn- switch engine, and crushed to death under the wheels.

> -J. E. Sutton, a driver employed by the Adams Express company, at Altoona, was arrested on Saturday and given a hearing on the charge of embezzling funds to the extent of \$95.21 during the past two months. W. H. Spare, an agent for the company, made the information before Alderman J. C. Gorsuch. Sutton was committed to jail in default of \$300 bail, having been held for court. A series of systematic thefts involving drivers of the company started last summer and has continued steadily despite the efforts of the agents to break up the practice.

> -J. Brady, Frank Sherman, James Boland and James Ryan were arrested at Stormstown on Tuesday and taken to Altoona by Pennsy police, on the charge of robbery, which was preferred before 'Squire J. W. Anasman, Indiana, Pa., following a series of bold thefts affecting passengers and patrons of the railroad. Inspector M. G. Turney, of Altoona, aided Captain Baumgardner, of the Indiana division police, in making the capture. The quartette is alleged to have taken \$160 from one man, \$60 from another, and were implicated in several larger appropriations, it is claimed. The prisoners were taken back to Indiana on Wednesday. They were Bertillonized at police station before departing.

-Blair L. McKillip, a young contractor of Hollidaysburg, last Wednesday had the greatest run of luck possibly ever exper-

honeymoon trip to eastern cities.

with honor to parley with them upon any question. They must be licked good and hard before lasting peace can be obtained and it is the present and immediate future duty of the allies to perform the work. -Roosevelt's dramatic visit to Washington to support the Chamber-

lain attack on the administration turned out bad. Now if the mischiefmaking blatherskite will take himself out of the public view he will serve