## Democratic Watchman.

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INK SLINGS.

-This nibbling game that the Allies are playing looks to us like good husky bites, for every day two or three thousand Huns are being chewed up.

-This is the month that Uncle Sam is selling \$5 bills at \$4.19. It's a bargain counter offering and if you haven't bought yours you'd better get in for the rate goes up next month.

-Get it into your head right now, and keep it there, that the most effective way you can back up the President will be by voting for Tobias for Congress; if you happen to be a voter in the Twenty-first Pennsylvania dis-

fortunate enough to secure for publication, are attracting wide attention, not only because of their descriptive value but because of their charming style.

-After all, the discouraging outlook for the proper housing of the oats crop proved to be only an outlook, for the weather cleared up beautifully last week, the grain in shock dried perfectly and is now all in the barns.

-It was an American unit that captured Frapelle, in the St. Die region, and, incidentally, that is only four miles from the German frontier. My, we can just see our lads vieing with one another to be first to plant a foot on German soil.

-The Barbers' Supply Dealers ashas recommended that the price of a hair cut be raised to one dollar and that shaves be fifty cents. Lordy, Oh! It will be back to a crock and scissors at home for us, for everything we have to cut would hang below the rim of the crock and the fear of a few "cat-steps" here and there green bill.

-On Wednesday Lord Reading, British Ambassador to the United States, who is in London on leave, "We never imagined America could take such a splendid part so quickly." The European world for years has been under the impression that we are only "dollar chasers" over here, but be that as it may we are showing it that we have millions of all around chasers who can specialize in a minute and just now their

slacker might as well make up his of the rights of the citizen to regumind right now that the government late his own affairs and it does deis going to get him, no matter how stroy the principle of home rule. In long it takes. Honest people can other words it means a complete revhave no respect for a government olution against our system of governthat is not fair. A government is not | ment. fair that takes the willing offerings of the honest and permits the dishondens, whatever they may be.

-General Byng is in command of the new drive the English have started. It will be recalled that it was the same officer who made the sensational ferent now. All the wings are strongremarkable achievement of last year the other sectors will be brought up to his and the ground consolidated. The time is past when the Allies will will be for strategical reasons.

-It matters not whether the Belgians held the line until France could mobilize. It matters not whether France stayed the Hun avalanche until England was prepared. It matters not whether England bottled up the German navy and made the seas relatively safe for commerce. It matters not whether we finally sounded the death knell of Prussianism by throwing the balance of man-power against it. All have been wonderfully glorious achievements and all will be graven in the hearts of humanity as long as the world lasts. It matters only that we are fighting in a rightwill be no first honors wanted, for "there is no competition among gentlemen.

proud of the glorious victories of our ry and the iniquities revealed in the us at home owe to the heroes who boys overseas but all the victories of war are not won on the battle field. Some of them are won back at the base. At home where the supplies are being prepared for the men in the advanced lines. The croix de guere is a coveted honor on the other side but it carries no more honor relatively than the bronze medal little Clyde of power to plunder and the repudia- and the anxious friends at home may Love of Bellefonte has won and soon will be wearing. He is a midget in choice is between these men. Judge size, but a giant in spunk and determination to do his part. When the Boys' Working Reserve was enrolled in Centre county Clyde applied for enlistment but he was at first thought to be too young and too small. Finally he was accepted and went to a farmer in Centre county where he worked like a Trojan for six weeks and earned the bronze medal which the government has authorized for those of the boys at home who being too young to meet the Huns face to had courage then to stifle treachery, face are yet willing to earnestly back | throttle cowardice and strangle decepup their older brothers in a way that tion he might be living now to rejoice not like them a bit better under the counts.

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Bonniwell Opens His Campaign.

In his speech formally opening the campaign for Governor of Pennsylva-—Incidentally, the Basil Mott let-ters, which the "Watchman" has been any record of President Wilson, in since the Foch drive set in three any point. The recently outlined peace as well as in war." "If the achievements of the President in the arena of war are such as to defy criticism," he said, "let us not forget that fecting the welfare of labor, of commerce, of finance, of agriculture and of social welfare than all the preceding Republican administrations in Kaiser. forty years." The Republicans make policies of the administration. But they do not even attempt to conceal The election of Judge Bonniwell will

cent measures. the Prohibition amendment. The Re- escape. isn't going to separate us from a long | publican party is committed to the ratification of this measure by the Senator William C. Sproul. The question of temperance is scarcely involved. Senator Sproul is neither a that he favored the amendment "and specialty is Hun chasing.

—Congress is going to give Collector Roper ten million dollars to be spent in running down tax slackers. The dodger, the hoarder and the slacker might as well make up his specialty is Hun chasing.

—Congress is going to give Collector against sumptuary legislation; it does involve an infraction of the constitutionally guaranteed right of the spent in running down tax slackers. The dodger, the hoarder and the slacker might as well make up his of the rights of the citizen to regulate their domestic afforcements will reach there in time to represent the regulate tradition against sumptuary legislation; it does involve an infraction of the constitution in France, Belgium, Service and Rumania must be repaired and Rumania must be repaired and Germany will have to bear the supreme effort which will be no reprisals. But the destruction in France, Belgium, Service and Rumania must be repaired and Germany will have to bear the supreme effort which will be put in force next spring. We have a million and a half troops in forcements will reach there in time to

Since the adoption of the constitution of the United States ten amendest to shirk their share of the bur- ments have been voted by Congress ters and brothers as well as the and ratified by the pople. But as sweethearts and wives of our soldiers Judge Bonniwell said on another oc- abroad will be glad to learn that the casion the Sheppard amendment is the first that has aimed to abridge has been greatly improved and delivthe liberties or impair the rights of break through the enemy lines at the citizen. It has always been the lay in delivery and sometimes entire Cambria last year, but later had to aim of our government to enlarge loss of letters have been a subject of yield the hard won ground because rather than curtail the personal lib- complaint. Efforts at improvement the other wings of the line were too erty of the citizen and every amendweak to catch up with his. It is difhitherto submitted to the people has able. Now, however, General Persher and if General Byng repeats his expressed this principle. But this ing announces that complete arrangeamendment not only strikes at the ments have been made and hereafter root of these basic principles of our government but subverts the charter elsewhere in Europe will be as prompt of our structure for it destroys the and certain as it is in the United do any more retreating because of principle of home rule. A few sparse- | States. weakness. If they fall back now it ly populated southern and western ures Judge Bonniwell declares him-Sheppard amendment.

The third reason why Judge Bonniwell asks for the support of the peo- any event no pains will be spared to ple of Pennsylvania for the office of achieve that result. But the writers Governor is that he is the very em- of letters to soldiers must do their part bodiment of opposition to all that is toward it. That is to say they must expressed in the corrupt government | direct letters as accurately and legiof Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. bly as possible. eous fight and when it is won there The Republican party is directly responsible for all the crimes and misdemeanors perpetrated in the admin- to minimize the troubles of soldiers istration of the government of Penn- wherever they happen to be. The -Of course we are wonderfully sylvania within a quarter of a centu- deep debt of gratitude which those of government of Philadelphia. His op- have gone abroad is as keenly felt in ponent in the contest for Governor the high offices in Washington as in was chosen by those concerned in the homes of the men whose fathers these crimes and though "bitter in and mothers are anxiously waiting their recent denunciation of each oth- for news from the front. President er they laid aside for the moment Wilson is particularly concerned for their factional animosity to meet up- the welfare of the soldiers. To him on a common ground—the retention they are all children of the nation tion of Woodrow Wilson." Bonniwell, the consistent, courageous and uncompromising champion of clean government and William C. Sproul, selected by the corruptionists to promote their selfish purposes to exploit the State and loot the public will get nothing done but talk. treasury.

> It is said that on the day of his coronation the late Czar Nicholas said, "all around are treachery, deception and cowardice." If he had at the coming extinction of autocracy. new name he applies to them.

Continued Victories for the Allies.

The Allied forces have made progress every day on the western front, in Washington it is safe to say there nia, delivered at Allentown on Satur- | not rapid but certain. The fighting is economy both in life and treasure. day, Judge Bonniwell clearly defined has been desperate at times and places General Pershing has said that with the issues upon which he appeals to and the fire on both sides destructive. four million American soldiers on the the voters for support. First he asks But the Allies have moved forward battle line the German defences could weeks ago and indications are that plans contemplate four millions in sistance the enemy has been able to be smashed before the end of 1919. this Democratic administration has maintain order though on several oc- It will be a costly operation, no formulated and enacted into laws casions a rout was narrowly averted. doubt, but less energetic plans would more beneficent civil legislation af- The danger of such a thing is not cost vastly more for the reason that

> A good many earnest people had And he wasn't satisfied with a single

The war is not over but as we said when the first drive for Paris failed and the enterprise futile. pledge of its candidate for Governor, the menace to that city is ended. yielding to what he imagined was a out of France and Belgium. They

nagging the President are like the Russian authorities who are fighting the United States. That is to say they are harming their best friend.

Improvement in Soldiers' Mail.

The fathers and mothers and sismail service to the foreign camps ery expedited. For a long time dewere not wanting but the work was mail to soldier boys in France and

The cause of the fault was in a States may, under the provisions of lack of understanding between milithis amendment dictate the domestic tary authorities in France and the policy and make the police regula- postal authorities in France and the tions for Pennsylvania, which is want of knowledge of units in the arequally repugnant to our self respect my in France and absence of inforand offensive to our sense of justice. mation essential to sorting of mail in For these sufficient reasons and not New York. But an experienced mail because of opposition to moral meas- man familiar with conditions abroad has now been detailed to sort the self against the ratification of the mails outward bound in New York and it is expected and believed that all troubles of that kind will end. In

The authorities at Washington, civil as well as military, are anxious The be assured of his constant solicitude for their comfort and contentment.

-Don't waste time talking about what the other fellow is failing to do. It's a bad habit to get into and one that might grow on you until you

-Never forget that the government needs money all the time and that buying thrift stamps is one of the easiest ways of supplying that want.

-The Kaiser has changed his opinion of Yankee troops but he does War Policies Vindicated.

In the war policy recently outlined there will be no reversal soon. By Europe by next spring and it may be skillful management and stubborn re- predicted that all German lines will past, however. At any moment a they would require a much longer were done quickly."

Of course blatherskites of the false pretense of supporting the war grown impatient of Foch's delay in Roosevelt type will protest that it is counter-attacking but recent develop- the policy they demanded from the ments show that he was wise in his beginning and that there was grievtheir antagonism to the income tax, course. For a long time the Germans ous fault in the delay. But that is the trade commission, the eight hour had the preponderance in force and as untrue as it is unjust. Since the day, the workmen's compensation while his strength was diminishing declaration of war troops have been act, the child labor law, the Federal ours was increasing. General Foch enlisted and dispatched as rapidly as Reserve act and the farm loan act. waited, therefore, until something like it was possible for human agency to an equality had been reached and accomplish the result without comsociation, in convention in Chicago, express approval of all these benefithen he struck with irresistible force. pletely paralyzing the industrial life of the country. There would have The Judge is equally clear upon blow. If he had been the value of been no wisdom in sending troops to what he terms the second issue in im- his action would have been lost. He the battle front without food, clothportance in this campaign. This is kept hammering away and is still ing and equipment to make them the ratification of the Sheppard hammering with the result that the serviceable. If the original draft amendment to the constitution of the enemy is almost exhausted and in legislation had provided an age limit United States commonly known as spent strength hunting an avenue of from eighteen years to forty-five, as is now proposed, the essentials for maintenance would have been absent

As a matter of fact the pending Neither will there be any further at- draft legislation is a complete vinditempts made to reach the Channel cation of the war policies of the adports. But it will take some time ministration from the beginning. teetotaler nor a Prohibitionist but and cost many lives to drive the Hun Regular troops and volunteer soldiers were sent in the first instance in sufpopular demand he said in an address must go sooner or later, though, and ficient number and at the psychologdelivered at Swarthmore in March, the sooner they elect to cross the line ical moment to hearten the French into Germany the better it will be for and British troops being pressed by I believe it my patriotic duty to aid them. We are not engaged in a war superior force, while the full measin securing ratification by our State." of conquest, and so far as the people ure of industrial vitality and efficien-But it does involve a reversal of a of the United States are concerned, cy was maintained at home. Besides century old Democratic tradition there will be no reprisals. But the that our Allies were not at an earlier

> -Philadelphia and Pittsburgh newspapers went up two cents on Sunday, the former selling at 9 cents and the latter 10. Increase of price to the local dealers was the cause of hardly seems possible that in such times as these, when the whole world is at war and hundreds of the young men of Centre county are already on the firing line, that there could be found a community in Centre county wherein the daily paper is not in demand, and yet it is stated on reliable authority that only one daily paper is received at Port Matilda, all the other residents of that whole section being content with the meagre reports of the war contained in the weekly newspapers. And it is highly probable that Port Matilda is not the only section in the county that is without the news service of the daily papers.

There have been frauds in supplying the army and navy with clothing and materials but they don't endure long. On that subject the present administration watches but doesn't wait.

-Contemporaries who are regretting the fate of Austria are wasting sympathy which is a perfectly good thing to save. The worst possible is about what is coming to Aus-

-Kaiser Bill wants Kaiser Karl to lend him a few divisions of troops which shows that Kaiser Bill is perfectly willing to sacrifice his ally on the altar of selfishness.

-It is hard to tell whether Spain has been patient or cowardly but her recent threat of reprisals expresses the only dope which will make Germany take notice.

-How cheerfully the American people will applaud the just punishment of the profiteers. It will be almost as enjoyable as hitting the Kaiser with an ax. -The statement that we will

have four million soldiers in Europe next spring will not cheer the Kaiser much, but no matter. -No business of any special im-

portance was transacted at the regu-

lar meeting of borough council on

Monday evening. -Young man, if you became of age since June 5th, 1918, don't fail to register tomorrow at the sheriff's

office, Bellefonte. -Ludendorf is probably maneuvering to get back to the Hindenburg

-Put your ad. in the "Watch

Bread Cast Upon Waters.

From the Altoona Mirror. There were times before the world

war when the eyes of native American citizens were somewhat blinded to the advantage of democracy and the virtues of cosmopolitan citizenship. In theory—and in oratory—we heartily endorsed the principle which made America the "melting pot" of

the nations, and brought to our cities, our schools, our industries and our government men and women of in-finitely varied creeds and colors— five hours. and but one ideal—our own ideal of freedom, for all, forever. In theory—and in the sincerity of our secret hearts—we welcomed all

past, however. At any moment a break is likely to occur and if it comes it will bring disaster to the when 't is done, then 't were well it ways so cordial and appreciative in our manner toward these voluntary officers. No announcement has been made annoyed by their superficial differences of dress, language, and manner, or by their material prosperity and amazingly large families, or by their proverty and the social and economic problems their very existence created for us. We jostled them a bit when they got in our conquering way, or when we could not jostle we addressed them and teased them by inventing for them half derisive names -wops, guineas, bohunks, greasers, hunkies, and a score of other tags designed to emphasize and remind them of their difference from ourselves. It is so long since our "first families" were immigrants too!

Here in America we have sometimes regarded the political and religious liberty; the free education and the economic opportunities we bestowed upon these newest citizens as "bread cast upon the waters." We were se-

And after many days—! Then came the war. The bread of freedom which this nation cast upon the waters the waves and waves of foreign immigration—is returned to us a thousand fold. The casualty lists tell the story—the last story of men born in all the lands of the earth, men who died but for one—our own and THEIR OWN America!

Our Navy in This War. From the Lancaster Intelligencer.

While attention is m in the field of war, don't forget the

The American navy has made good from the very beginning of the war by the efficiency of the prompt participation of our destroyer fleets in anti-submarine patrol of the war the raise. At that there wasn't any zones, by the safe convoy of about appreciative falling off in the sales a million and a half of troops and thereof. Speaking of newspapers, it engineers and other non-combatant units and millions of tons of supplies and war material to Europe, and by the well-trained gun crews supplied to armed ships. This work of the navy has not been spectacular but it has been arduous and perilous and signalized by many gallant deeds. The navy has had but one or two sea fights of a minor sort with the elusive subs, and its ships of the battle line have not figured at all in the newstheir very whereabouts being properly obscured; but we know that the navy is ready and eager to make good upon the first opportunity, and it is not likely that the opportunity will be continuously lacking. We know that a strong fleet of our battleships is somewhere within striking range of the German naval basis, and we rest assured that it will allow no chance to slip.

> submarine attacks along our coast is manifestly planned in the hope that it may divert our lighter naval forces from their far more essential dutiesthe safe convoy of our transports and supply ships. It is spectacular and annoying; it intensifies the anxieties about transport and supply and worthe unconvoyed shipping interests. But it is not a grave matter. Nevertheless it calls attention to the one branch of our naval forces that manifestly needs to be jacked up to greater efficiency—the force of naval auxiliaries enlisted for coast patrol. That force should be sharply over-hauled and largely increased while we await the day when our main naval forces will hit the Huns where they live and exterminate the German sharks in their home bases.

> > Liberty Loan Interest Rate.

From the Williamsport Sun. Secretary McAdoo has definitely announced that the fourth Liberty loan bonds will bear 44 per cent. in-

terest.

The Secretary has been insistent that the government interest rate should be stabilized at 41 per cent. He points out that a raise in the rate of intrest of only one-fourth of one per cent. on \$10,000,000,000 of government bonds would mean an annual increase of \$25,000,000 in interest charges, and that this money would have to be raised by increased taxation and paid by the people of the country. It would not be paid by one class only, because there are consumption as well as other kinds of taxes, and the consumption taxes reach every class of people.

-Various instrumentalities are mentioned as war-winners but the farmers who furnish the food for the soldiers have the claim nailed down and clinched.

-Subscribe for the "Watchman."

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE. -Farmers of Beaver county in an efeffort to assist the food administration are helping each other to thresh their grain. Several threshing outfits are engaged in the work which will continue for several weeks.

-Dennis McGee, aged eighty, one of the best known residents of Allentown, was killed by an explosion which resulted when he lighted his pipe and threw the burning match into the sink, causing a terrific explosion of sewer gas.

-A valuable cow, the property of Charles Hoefer, of Orwigsburg, was electrocuted in a dramatic manner in the public square. Seeing a wire dangling from the trolley line the cow placed its nose up to the point and 6600 volts went through her body.

- Agents of the State Dairy Food Commission have started sampling butter sold in every county in the State to determine whether undue amounts of moisture are present. Some reports coming lately show as high as thirty-five per cent. of water. All butter will be analyzed at once.

-A bursted air hose on extra train No. 3611, westbound, caused the derailment Saturday evening at 5:50 o'clock of four cars on the train and resulted in a traffic tie up near the Granville station on the Middle division. Forty-one trains were delayed. The wreck crew was at work for

-About 400 chief clerks of local and district draft boards and medical advisory boards in Pennsylvania will be affected by the order from Washington that Americans. Most of us were slightly as to their remuneration under the new order.

-J. H. Hostetter, a farmer near Millersville, has made a unique record in growing tobacco. The present crop he is raising is the sixty-seventh grown on his farm and every one of which he helped to cultivate and harvest. The highest prices realized for any of the sixty-seven crops are expected to be paid for the one now nearing maturity.

-Meyersdale, a Somerset county village, has decided to refuse all amusement licenses for the period of the war, in recognition of the sacrifice of young men from that place who have given their lives on the battle-fields of France. Many Meyersdale boys are members of Company C. 110th regiment, which took part in the July offensive of the Allies.

-Nine thousand three hundred and sixty-nine volunteer State policemen have been commissioned at the State capitol cretly dubious about its successful return—but nevertheless we cast it forth, praying over it, laughing a little—and wondering much.

"We well see that the formation of home defense units and also in training drafted men. They have been orthogonal training drafted men. ganized according to wards, boroughs and townships and some have been called out on trial summons this summer.

-George I. Beers, the blind broom-maker of Clearfield, Clearfield county, is able to see a joke at least. The other day Beers met Matt Savage, editor of the Daily Spirit, on the street. "I owe you for a month's subscription," said Beers. "Will it be all right for me to pay you the next-time I see you?" Of course, if was all right with the editor, and Beers hopes that the bill will soon come due.

One death has resulted from infantile forcements will reach there in time to creditable achievements of our army creditable achievements of our army the creditable one from Fayetteville. from Waynesboro. The one death has been reported from Letterkenny township. A strict quarantine has been established in each case and a thorough investigation will be started at once by acting health commissioner B. F. Royer.

-The skeleton of an aged Pole was the gruesome discovery of George Wentz on his land between Weyant and Pavia. Bedford county, on Wednesday of last week while he was clearing the tract preparatory to erecting a bungalow. The body was identified by William Barefoot as that of a Polish coal miner about 70 years old who had stopped at his house at the time of the deep snow and who gave his name as Coglow. A small testament and other papers found upon the body gave evidence that his name was Victor Coglow.

-Dr. P. H. Harbold's action in resigning the principalship of the Millersville State Normal school because of the differences with the directing board, has been upheld by the State Department of Education and Dr. Harbold was offered the position of deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction in Pennsylvania. He announced the fact, however, that he had declined the offer, and had been appointed director of education activities at Camp The recent development of German Meade. He will take up his new work August 27th and will operate under the direction of the Y. M. C. A.

-A large bed of marl lime was recently discovered by several farmers on the land of Thomas Hubbard at Jobs Corners, Tioga county. Samples were sent to State College, where, after a careful analysis, it was discovered that the deposit ranges from ninety-six to ninety-one per cent. calcium carbonate. Friday Dr. William Frear, of the State College experiment station, in company with Harry Webster and E. J. Perry, of the Tioga county farm bureau, made several borings which showed several thousand tons of the lime. which will be of a fine quality for agricultural purposes.

-The ministers of Reynoldsville, Jefferson county, are doing their bit to help win the war during what would otherwise be their annual vacations. The Rev. Gerberding is filling a position as clerk in the Reynoldsville postoffice. The Rev. MacPhail, of the Baptist church, has a job working in the DuBois iron works, helping as a machinist. The Rev. Ghagen, of the Presbyterian church, is helping with the harvesting at his former home near Dayton, Armstrong county. These three ministers decided that a vacation was an unnecessary luxury this year so they are filling "jobs" instead of posi-

-The section of the Toby Valley, Elk county, around the vicinity of Crenshaw, has joined in a hunt for Mrs. Joseph Cherneski, who has been missing from her home for several days. Mrs. Cherneski lived with her husband and children at the mining village of Walburn Run. She had been in the habit of visiting an abandoned coal mine about a quarter of a mile from her home for the purpose of digging coal for use in her home. It was while she was thus visiting the mine, it is thought, that she disappeared. A search has been made of the mine and the country surrounding, but nothing to indicate her whereabouts has been discovered. It is thought that she became confused in the mine, wandered deep into the earth and perished from starvation.