# Democratic Watchman.

## INK SLINGS.

-The bill to help the railroads of the country went down before the Republican filibustering gang.

-See to it that your boy keeps up his insurance in the army. Even if he has been mustered out it is the cheapest and best insurance he will ever be able to get.

-The daylight saving law was not repealed by Congress. It would have been had not a Republican filibuster prevented its passage. Thus, if the farmers of the country are inconvenienced they know who caused it.

ly demanding legislation to divorce era house, New York, on Tuesday of the League of Nations is the speech "When the devil was sick the devil a malady.

where this week.

-The President is on his way to enough to show a few Republican Congressmen and Senators that if of this country.

-On the morning of the one hundred and thirteenth day from this, at twelve-one sharp, the grand old tank corps of the United States will mobilize units in every city and hamlet where they will carol plaintively the old, old song with a few new words:

We'll wait for the wagon The old water wagon, We'll wait for the wagon And we'll all take a ride.

-Since Congress failed to furnish the funds with which to properly finance the railroads the government finds itself very much in the same position as was the Florida sheriff who attached an elephant owned by a luckless circus man. No one wanted to buy the elephant and as the sheriff couldn't find enough hay in all of Florida to keep it from starving he had to give it back to the circus man and tell him to "Git."

-Encourage your boy when he up all of the habits of personal hynew ideas be a model for you and instead of permitting him to slip back into an environment that has never known such essentials of vigorous the standard that has made him look | continue to lament over the suffering more the clean, alert, intelligent man of the soldiers. This is really fortuthan you ever dreamed of his looking. nate. Otherwise the soldiers might shot their mouths.

-It looks like we might be going never have found out that they have to have a regular campaign for coun- been treated so badly.



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### President Wilson's Triumph. Senator Knox's Sophistries.

If President Wilson had appeared Easily the strongest argument thus -Senator Vare is now vehement- on the stage of the Metropolitan op- far presented against the constitution

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the people with him.

the Philadelphia police from politics. night alone he would have carried his of Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, depoint. Supported by the presence and livered on Saturday. Compared with on the brink of a dangerous political overwhelmed his enemies. The ex- Poindexter and Reed were "leather enough to the north to admonish a lot tions. The President proved the ne- and avoidance. At the outset Senator of over-eager gardeners that March is cessity of such an organization for Knox makes an elaborate apology for was increased at all is the more reof lettuce and spinach and onions that have been made in Bellefonte and else-united efforts and arguments the place observe," he says, "that I am place observe," he says, "that I am place been made in Bellefonte and elsecreature of straw which Lodge and and always have been against war and his fellow conspirators have set was all its attendant woe, misery, horrors France again. He was home just long scattered to the four winds of heaven. and crime." His record had already The complaint has been that the shown that for he passively opposed President has not taken the Senators every measure in support of the war. they want to destroy the country for into his confidence. The leading Re- But pacifism was not his real reapartisan purposes they and their par- publican Senators have shown that he son for opposing the League of Naty will have to answer to the people was wise in withholding confidence tions. The purpose of that organiza- the court house was remodeled. To which would have been betrayed. But tion is to prevent war in the future in his New York speech and other ut- and in setting that up as a reason for 447.43; leaving a net indebtedness of terances since his return from France opposing the League he convicts himindicate that he has taken the people self of hypocrisy. If he were honestinto his confidence and the response ly in favor of peace he would support proves the confidence well placed. this plan created by the greatest The people of the United States are statesmen of all the civilized nations in accord with the President in his de- of the world and laid on the altar of sire for enduring peace and with sin- peace by the master minds from which gular unanimity they endorse his pro- it was evolved. As a matter of fact cesses of achieving the desired result. he was influenced to his attitude on He has gone to resume his work in the question by a sinister hope that France and he has the good wishes of he might thus aid a criminal conspiracy to impair the influence of Presi-Republicans are not all traitors and dent Wilson at home and abroad. Posthe presence of former President Taft sibly an absurd ambition had some-

at the New York meeting on Tuesday thing to do with it. As a corporation lawyer Senator night shows that they are not cowards either. The conspirators will con- Knox has acquired a considerable cademn Mr. Taft as a party renegade pacity in using language to conceal and will denounce him with all the bit- purposes and in his speech on Saturterness they can command. But a day he exercised his full power in the considerable number, and we firmly direction. After all, however, he only

-----Republican Congressmen who our soldiers abroad to their homes. manhood try to raise the home up to have been abroad during the winter But the expectation has been disappointed. The conspirators hadn't courage to cast their votes as they

-Some of those statesmen who nuisance?

Centre County's Business in Good Hands.

One of the potent reasons for the defeat of the Democrats in the last The statement of the auditors of Centre county, which appears in supcongressional election was the cry of sectionalism. It was charged with plement form in this issue, reveals the gratifying fact that the public good effect by the Republicans that saint would be" and Senator Vare is voice of former President Taft, he it the speeches of Borah, Lodge, business was well managed during the the South was in the saddle, yet, havyear 1918. While the balance in the ing won on the issue of sectionalism, the Republicans move in even closer President exposed the futility of the and prunella." And at that it was county treasury on January 1st, 1919, -The new moon is lying far contention against the League of Na- simply a labored plea in confession was only \$379.59 greater than it was sectional lines than the Democrats on January 1st, 1918, the fact that it likely to bring disaster to those beds the preservation of the principles of his attitude on the subject and reveals markable. For it means that during of the all-powerful Finance commitplies the County Commissioners have been able to conduct the public business without eating into a surplus accumulated when costs were lower. The total indebtedness of the coun-

ty now appears to be \$107,583.97, which includes the bond issue of \$100,-000.00 that was floated at the time offset this there are assets of \$89,only \$18,136.54.

In these times of high taxes and increased public expenditures with their future burden of still higher taxes in State and Nation, Centre county appears as a bright spot indeed and our citizens will feel a peculiar sense of gratitude to Messrs. Grove, Noll and Miller for the signal service they have rendered. In this exceptional showing we trust there will be a reminder to the men of the county as to the importance of the office of County Comsioner. It is the managerial and accounting department of a business

that annually handles more than one hundred thousand dollars and should not be entrusted to inefficient or incapable men.

Men of intelligence, business experience and highest probity should fill believe a majority of the intelligent confused words to assert falsehoods that office. We hope that neither parvoters of that party, will support him and consume time to prevent legisla- ty in the coming primary, will nomiand sustain the President. Therefore tion essential to the demobilization | nate a man for the office who does not comes home from the army to keep it may safely be said that the conspir- of the army and restore our troops to measure up to such requirements. acy has failed and that the constitu- their homes. He with others expect- For it is certain that men with ungiene that he learned there. Let his tion of the League of Nations will be ed that time thus uselessly employed trained business minds will be incaadopted by the Peace Conference and would prevent the passage of the Vic- pable of managing our business ecotory loan bill and leave the treasury nomically and we will have to pay the destitute of funds needed to transport | penalty of their unfitness, should they be elected, in higher taxation.

> -Senator Sherman threatened to abandon his seat in the Senate unless his colleagues would join in a filibuster. What an opportunity to abate a

sion.

# SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-Governor W. C. Sproul has received the resignation of General Willis J. Hulings, of Oil City, as a member of the state armory board.

-Postmaster John Barclay has resigned his office in the borough of Clearfield, and the man who is not a candidate for the place is the exception. The office pays \$2800. The "civil service examination is scheduled for March 18.

-Lewis Emery, Jr., of Bradford, has presented to the First Presbyterian church of that oil metropolis a large pipe organ, which is being installed as a memorial to his recently deceased wife, Elizabeth Emery.

-"We have been married thirty years and in that time he has been drunk twenty-seven years and only partly sober the other three years," was the accusation made at police court by Mrs. John Stahler, of Allentown, against her husband. Acting Mayor Strauss fined Stahler \$15.

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Sectionalism in Politics.

From the Lancaster Intelligencer.

(Wall Street).

a party.

Peanut Politics in Washington.

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger.

-Finding a watch in a barrel of sauer kraut in the Leroy hotel cellar at Altoo-na, led to the discovery of the theft of several bottles of whiskey. The thief stood on the barrel to reach the whiskey. When Ralph Greenlee, a negro, asked per mission to enter the cellar to look for his watch, he was arrested for larceny.

ever attempted. In selecting Gillett for Speaker at a time when Senator Lodge is to be -A verdict for \$332 was awarded Friday in Snyder county court at Middleburg, to Senate leader and Penrose chairman Dr. C. W. Roush, of Beaver Springs, against his brother-in-law, William Dreese, of the same place, in the only civtee, the directing of legislation is vested in a section radiating not over forty-five minutes from Broadway for \$955 for professional services, and pay-

The whole west and central west, which swung the tide both in the Presidential election and in the Conment was refused on the grounds of the -An old lawsuit was instituted in the

gressional elections last fall are com-pletely ignored. Young Mr. Hayes probably believes that he can lead the Blair county court last week by Joseph Stine to recover \$5000 damages for personal injuries sustained while being tossed by a vicious bull belonging to the William wild and wooly westerners by the nose wherever he will, but students of poli-tics know that the people of the west do not lead so easily as the people in H. Herr estate. The bidders and spectators attending the public sale on the Herr farm were attacked by the bull, and severthe shadow of Broadway and Wall street. They are more likely to kick over, and when they do, the jig is up. Democrats will be tickled to see the al were injured before the animal was subdued. It is alleged that the owners were negligent in permitting the bull to roam at large.

move toward the Old Guard in the -'Squire Frank Conley, of Westover, Republican ranks for it is not to be supposed that the liberal-minded vot-ers of the West will blindly follow the Clearfield county, was a visitor at the county seat the other day and called upon his old time friend, Matt Savage, editor same crowd, for which they wrecked of the Clearfield Daily Spirit. 'Squire Con-The action of the House members ley has been night watchman at the tannery at Westover for nineteen years. in naming Gillett from the only State Every night he walks a distance of twelve which backslid from Republicanism miles through the yards and buildings of in 1918, is the first ray of hope the Democrats have had since the current the tannery. He has been watching 330 nights a year and during that time he figof men's minds began to run in violent ures that he has walked a distance of 75,waves on account of the war and war 240 miles, equal to three trips around the conditions, which the Democratic lead-ers have had to face and deal with. A Speaker from the West, not necworld and a good start on the fourth trip.

-Miss Jane Goodman, of Atglen, Delaessarily Mr. Mann (he was not the ware county, filed a suit for breach of man), might have meant a continupromise recently against Constable Joseph D. Pickle, of the same place, and Pickle is ance of a winter of discontent for the Democrats. Now the sun shines again in a pickle. She asks for \$5,000 heart on the party of Jefferson, Jackson, Cleveland and Wilson. balm. Miss Goodman says in her complaint the constable had asked the privilege of becoming her lord and master on many occasions. She has been his housekeeper for some time and recently renounced an estate in order to marry him, the The Republican members of the Senate, while they have been prudent enough to permit the Victory Loan bill to go to the President for his sigsame having been left her should she remain a single woman. She also says recently Pickle ordered her from his home and struck her.

nature, have not placed themselves or their party in a very creditable nosi-tion before the country. The denoer--Revelation of a plot to rob the Lehigh Valley Railroad of funds exceeding \$150,-000 was made recently in the habeas corate insincerity of the caucus decision pus proceedings at Towarda against four against a filibuster was made plain Lehigh Valley detectives. A large number pus proceedings at Towanda against four subsequent course of individ- of employees, headed by Charles Simpson ual Republican Senators on the floor of the Senate Monday. If on the eve of the close of the Congress and at the threshold of the new Congress in employees in the Sayre yards and shops. which the Republicans are to have control of the party can offer the country no better program than one ty. As a result of the roundup of the men of childish construction, the outlook the Lehigh Valley is now making the payments for its employees by check. --Sentences aggregating fifteen years were imposed at Reading on Saturday, on four of the five bandits in the gang that robbed E. H. Morningstar and A. Q. Veit, Philadelphia motorists, on the Reading-Allentown highway two weeks ago. Three of them were given a second sentence for the robbery of James K. Saul's house in Perry, in which Saul was shot twice in the head. Herbert R. Schaeffer got five to eight years; Wert Brown and Raymond Epling, four to eight years each, and Paul Keller, who was in the auto hold-up only two to four years. Roy Snyder, who was If it is true, as reported, that fiftyin the gang the night of the motor holdup, but refused to take part, was released on probation. They pleaded guilty. purpose of deporting them from this --Frank Hauk, fifty-three, an employee country, it is a timely indication that on the night shift at the New York and the authorities are awakening to their Pennsylvania Paper company mill at Lock responsibilities in dealing with these Haven, fell into a vat of acid while at work Monday morning and received injustitutions and our national existence ries which resulted in his death early itself. We have laws against the admission Tuesday morning. Hauk was engaged in stirring the contents of the large vat, in of such enemies to our shores. Some which splintered wood is reduced to pulp, of these are thus barred out, but oth- when he lost his balance and plunged head first into the vat. He was rescued by fellow workmen and rushed to the Lock Haven hospital after being given first aid at they have incited in Russia. The fact the emergency hospital connected with the that America is not Russia and that plant. His entire body was burned and the seeds they sow do not readily take his sight had been destroyed. The acciroot in our soil should not influence dent occurred a few minutes before Hauk would have quit work. -The Westmoreland county commissioners are gratified by the fact that gas has been struck on one of the farms owned by the county, near George station. The county has been paid recently at the rate of \$200 a month for a lease by the Peoples Natural Gas company. However, the county owns two adjoining farms that are not under lease, and is figured that if signs are good enough development would give the county a bountiful supply for its public buildings. These farms were purchased ninth army division in training at Camp Meade, his friends and acquainsane asylum, but subsequent boards have granted an opportunity in which he never viewed the site with favor since that time and nothing was done toward the erection of such an institution. -Some devil incarnate recently attemptand Maryland fighters, on the blood- ed to wreck the Banta Refrigerator works soaked fields of France is no less a at Clearfield. Had his plans carried tribute to the bravery of the soldiers through he would not only have wrecked in the ranks than to the courage of the plant but killed a number of people. their commanding general. General Kuhn's further promotion to be comvalves on the big boiler, which would have caused an explosion great enough to wreck the works. He split the driving belt so whether this man, than whom there is that it would break after a few revoluno more highly respected military leaders in France, will consider his nor on the engine so that the average would fly apart and cause the big engine to run away and wreck the engine room, and disconnected the fuses of the dynamo so that the plant would be in darkness. -The first essential to the set- Fortunately, the work was discovered betlement of the Irish question is an fore an attempt was made to start the agreement among the Irish upon some engine. A diligent search is being made for the guilty persons.

ty offices next fall. Candidates are throwing their hats into the ring like they mean business and as we have all gotten so into the habit of excitement and parades we might be moving on to a return of the good old days of torch-light processions and -we were going to say fights at every intersecting street-but we'll have to cut that out for there'll be no booze when we go cheering for our favorites next fall.

-When Senator Sherman planted himself on the floor of the Senate and talked about nothing for four and onehalf hours he willfully held up business affecting the welfare of more than one hundred million people. He Congress into extra session. No law, has had little if any practice outside held the floor on a parliamentary technicality and because he would not thority in any individual. The at- tainly not for the purpose of promotyield many essential bills failed of tempt to do so is an usurpation. passing in the closing hours. His obstinate partisanship has caused you and me to pay an extra tax on cloth- wreck the government. No act pering, jewelry, tobacco, theatre tickets and many other things we buy because in 1861 was more glaringly treasona- National committee, Mr. Palmer has he wouldn't relinquish the floor long ble than this. Jefferson Davis was twice perfidiously opposed the electaxes, which was scheduled for passage, to be voted on.

not a moment to help. The same place is certainly not in the Senate of and selfishness. It may be said that might be said of its attitude to the the United States, did all he could in he is a successful patronage broker League of Nations. We have no cen- furtherance of the dastardly crime. sure for the President who goes ahead in the course he thinks right when are still in France and anxious to get above the sordid game of politics even Poverty stricken and helpless France age of his administration in Pennsyl- all tribunals and he could not fail to settle with a lot of Congressmen and their health. Their own government has been favored and no appointment in time to remedy the evil which mad

-What but contempt can a fair minded person have for Republican Congressmen and Senators who spent most of the time while they were in Washington criticising and embarrassing the government and jockeying legislation to partisan purposes. It was despicable beyond expression and a stab to the heart of every parent who has a boy on the other side. For while these hypocrites were trying

to foment trouble by declaring, both in and out of Congress, that the boys are not being brought home fast enough they were obstructing every piece of legislation designed to adjust business here so that it will be ready to employ them when they do come home and would even have filibustered and prevented the passage of the new Loan bill, which is to furnish the

stood by his guns and told them they have been much harder. would have to take the consequences of such dastardly action.

Trying to Coerce the President.

ratified by the American Senate.

The purpose of the conspiracy to hold up important legislation during the closing days of Congress is so palpable that "he who runs may read." It was to coerce the President to call an extra session of the new Congress in order that the Republican majority might pass resolutions condemnatory Palmer, of Stroudsburg, to the office of the League of Nations. Mr. Hays, chairman of the Republican National

committee, said in New York the other day, that the President must be

of the country are determined to he was chosen on moral grounds. petrated by the Southern fire-eaters office of member of the Democratic never guilty of a more open act of tion of two capable and faithful Demaggresion against the government of ocratic candidates for Congress, Rep-

Congress to think about and discuss ble number of Republican Represen- cratic nominee for Governor, Judge plans concerning the best methods for tatives in Congress are involved in Bonniwell. Outside of these activithe future operation of the railroads this treacherous enterprise. In purof the country. To the moment of its suance of it LaFollette, who has just political work. But he has demoraladjournment Congress did nothing in escaped expulsion for treason, organ- ized the party and reduced the party advantage. It will hardly work the way of constructive suggestion. ized a fillibuster on Saturday and It devoted days to fault-finding and Sherman, of Illinois, whose proper nia to a mere shadow by his arrogance public mind will discern the sinister Nearly a million American soldiers his usefulness. the Congress behind him can't rise home to their families and friends. larly unwise in dispensing the patronwhen the world is aflame. The people is unable to provide them with food are with the President and they will and comforts that are essential to ed service to the party in the past to complete his work there and return

they may thus compel an extra sesto the President and ready for any conduct. The soldiers will return to render the verdict.

-If there is any reliance to be placed in the old saw as to the last Friday in the month governing the weather of the ensuing month, March ought to be pretty nice all through. And further, it ought to go out like a troubles. lamb because it certainly came in like

a roaring lion.

money with which to bring them our friends pretty hard, no doubt, but couldn't even make himself look like home, had not a fearless President if Germany had won the blow would a King.

are going into conniption fits because of imaginary dangers to the constitution have themselves violated the constitution in every conceivable way.

# Mr. Palmer's Appointment.

It is not easy to imagine what sinister influence prevailed upon President Wilson to nominate A. Mitchell of Attorney General. Mr. Palmer is not a great lawyer or a distinguished statesman. His practice at the bar of Monroe county has hardly qualified forced to call an extra session. The him for the highest legal service in constitution lodges no power in Con- the country and except as a lobbyist gress to force the President to call in Washington and Harrisburg, he organic or statutory, vests such au- of that provincial court. It was cering the interests of the Democratic The perfidious Republican leaders party and finally it is not likely that

Since his accession to the political the United States. Yet most of the resentatives Dewalt, of Allentown, -Long ago the President asked Republican Senators and a considera-and Steele, of Easton, and one Demostrength of Democracy in Pennsylvaand that is the sum and substance of

vania. Hardly a man who has render- meet his obligations. He may be able Senators at the very first opportunity. is striving to the full measure of its made thus far has added to the party passions have created. But if capacity to care for them. But the strength of the party. In everything Republicans in Congress are trying else he has been superb. Even in the the heads of those who brought the to defeat the purpose by holding up selection of officials in other States existing conditions about. The Demlegislation in the expectation that he has promoted party solidarity and ocrats in Congress tried to do their success. His failure in this State duty. But the force against them was sion of Congress which is unfriendly must be ascribed, therefore, to the too great. The spirit of rebellion was malign influence of the late chairman too strong. For the first time mad form of treason. The people of the of the National committee, who seems United States will pass upon their to have hypnotized him. In another year, however, the party will be reorganized.

> -The Monroe Doctrine must have been in hard lines if it had to de- ed for the night. Stepping back on pend on such champions as are now shedding crocodile tears over its

-There is probably no real reason to worry over the ambitions of the -The income tax hits some of Kaiser to resume his throne. He

big figure but when measured in comparison with the pigmies who are -They are all good enough, but fighting the League of Nations his di-

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Machinery of Government Stopped.

The Sixty-fifth Congress passed into history at noon on Tuesday after a closing session which left a stain on

time. The most important supply bills failed to pass and unless an extra session is called before the expiration of the fiscal year the machinery of government will cease to function. This situation is the result of, a conspiracy. During the closing days of the session Republican Senators deliberately hampered the proceedings of the chamber so that the army appropriation bill, the navy appropriation bill and the bill appropriating funds to operate the railroads were

America Not Russia. left unfinished at the close of the ses-From the Louisville Courier-Journal.

The enactment of this legislation was essential to the progress and four of the I. W. W. anarchists are being taken to the Atlantic coast for the prosperity of the country. Without it it will be impossible to carry out the projects for the improvement of the navy and provide for the maintenance of the army. Under existing vicious conspirators against our inconditions it may become impossible, within a brief period to operate the railroads and transport the returning troops to their homes. But the Republican leaders in the Senate were ers slip through. They are here dowilling to create such a condition in ing their utmost to incite in the Unit-ed States the same infernal conditions the hope that it might inure to their

that result, however. An intelligent motive and rebuke it. The President was under moral obus in any way to relax our vigilance to protect our people against their crazy machinations. The least that we should do is to expel them from ligation to return to his important duties at the Peace Conference table in France. He is the recognized chamthe country they are trying to destroy. pion of the people in that greatest of

Bar out those that are already out. Put out those that are in. Honor for General Kuhn. From the Williamsport Sun.

When Joseph E. Kuhn was elevat-ed to the rank of Major General and the country suffers the blame is upon placed in command of the Seventytances predicted that he had been would establish a shining record. The story of the Seventy-ninth division, passion has run its course. composed of valorous Pennsylvania Heard On the Street. The other night it is said a thirsty

mander of an army corps is only deserved honor, but it is doubtful personal advancement a greater honor than the achievements his men have brought to him.

point in dispute.

individual sauntered up to the Brockerhoff bar room just as the door closthe pavement and bringing his right hand to salute he sang this ditty: "Good-bye little barroom Don't you cry;

You'll be a postoffice By and by." -President Taft was always a

the escutcheon of the country for all

for constructive statesmanship on its part in the near future is not very promising. While the present majori-ty must bear a large part of the lame for the congestion on the calendar and for the failure of so many of the urgent measures of legislation, the country will not be disposed to overlook the fact that the Republican minority, soon to be a majority, has been playing a pretty small and unpatriotic game of peanut politics.