Democratic Watchman

INK SLINGS.

-Surely June has given us a few rare days.

-Again Delaware has refused to ratify woman suffrage.

-Senator Moses is at Chicago and already he sees the promised land with Wood in it.

-What would a National Republican convention do without a lot of contesting negro delegations from the South.

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Palmer Not a Piker, Anyway.

The Senatorial inquiry into the

It may be said, however, that these

contributions take on the form of in-

property was disposed of a very small

amount he subscribed to the Palmer

fied by the services rendered to the

them! As counsel for the Alien Prop-

and mechanically. Mr. Palmer's

manager, a Virginia lawyer whose

principal practice is as a Washington

lobbyist, subscribed in the same gen-

erous ratio to favors received from

Mr. Palmer, and so on to the total

greater than was ever raised for a

Democratic aspirant for the nomina-

But the real pathos of the affair has

not been brought to the surface. The

contributions of those mercenaries is

simply a division of the spoils among

men associated for purposes of plun-

der. When the inquiry leads the Sen-

ate committee into the operations of

the Pennsylvania "drive" for slush

funds, however, the cruelty of ma-

chine politics will be revealed. The

postmasters and other postal em-

ployees and the revenue officials were

not allowed to determine as Judge

Covington did, whether they could af-

ford to give or not. They were liter-

cratic State committee and the Pal-

mer campaign committee and it is said

-The recent decision of the Su-

preme Court in the Tennessee case

another safeguard. The Legislature

but it was claimed that it was in vio-

dum law in effect there and that it

nullifies this contention and practic-

tor may divert his mind by singing:

"For I'm forever blowing bubbles,"

him in his campaign for President.

would say, "there ain't no sich thing."

-Happily there is no law restrict-

ing the working of the dandy little

dandelion to an eight hour day.

-The former Kaiser, Francisco

of the act of the Assembly.

soap bubbles in the air.

ite son."

tion in the history of the party.

Of course these big fees were justi-

fund.

-Now the time that she once spent in the class-room the sweet girl graduate can devote to her ear muffs and do post-graduate work in cosmetics.

-A month ago all work was at a stand-still because it was too wet to get anything planted. Now most all vegetation is at a stand-still because it is too dry for it to grow.

-Of course the President could do nothing else than veto that Congressional peace resolution. Woodrow Wilson doesn't look upon the constitution as "a scrap of paper."

-Look at the label on this paper. If it doesn't indicate that your subscription is paid in advance don't fail money and we don't want to have to dollars and is far and away above the government of the United States, but dience to that obligation he vetoed the get out a "blue cross" at this time.

-Anyway General Wood has a lot any other Democratic aspirant for pointed. of very liberal friends. A man who President. It is nearly as much as can raise over a million with which to that of all others. gratify his ambition to run for an ofwho can scarcely raise enough to run vestments more than donations. The Syrians to self-determination in govto the market with.

-It remained for the two big events, Memorial day and a circus, celebrated on the same day, to bring more "jags" to town than have been seen since the great drouth began. Where do they get it? Ah, that is the thing that worries those who don't know the trail of the joysome rye more than it seems to worry the officers of the law.

-The Pennsylvania delegation to the Republican National convention has unanimously endorsed the candidacy of General Sproul so that the delegates from this District will not be able to vote for General Wood until after Sproul is out of the running. Col. Boal pledged himself to be for Sproul first, but we do not recall that Gillette made any other promise than to vote for the preference of the majority of the voters of the District.

-The paper that this "Watchman" is printed on now costs a fraction over three cents a sheet. Think of the predicament of the poor country printer tunities for reciprocity between plainwho maintains a plant, pays his em- tiff and defendant which would have iticians who hope to coin victory out rights and liberties of her citizens and who maintains a plant, pays his cin the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material, in the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of such material of the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of the coming Presployees and gives you the best counbeen impossible under any other conformal of the coming Presployees and give the the coming Presployees and g proyees and gives you the best country details and as subordinate to Mr. Palidential contest in this country. The of civilization." And those are good try weekly newspaper published at ditions and as subordinate to Mr. Palidential contest in this country. less than the actual cost of the white mer in both positions it is easy to see complete defeat of their partisan and sufficient reasons. must be a "nut" or a liar. We have any contributions to the Palmer camthe bills in this office to prove that he paign committee by working "both isn't the latter so that you can draw ends against the middle" artistically any other conclusion you care to.

-A frightful tragedy occurs at a railroad crossing. Three lives are snuffed out by the carelessness of one of the victims. Immediately a renewed demand springs up for the abolition of the grade crossing. To do this the railroads would have to expend millions of dollars; and where are they to come from? All of us will contribute through higher passenger and freight rates. Carelessness does not get any one anywhere and often its penalties are imposed on generations yet unborn.

-In the future when you address Theodore Davis Boal, of Boalsburg, don't call him Major, as his title now is Lieut. Colonel, he having been appointed to this office in the National Guard of Pennsylvania. As the appointment was announced last Sunday there will likely be some speculation as to whether it came as a reward for ally "maced" by the so-called Demothe wonderful fight he made as a candidate far national delegate from this District, or as an incentive to be long gave up from ten to fifteen per cent. on Sproul and short on Wood when he of their meagre compensation in orgoes to Chicago as a delegate to the der to make Mitch look like a "favor-Republican convention.

-Judge Bonniwell and A. Mitchell Palmer locked horns across the witness table in the Senatorial Presidential primary investigation room, in Washington, on Wednesday. The Judge told Mitch. that his campaign in Pennsylvania has been "a ghastly and debasing degredation of law." Mitch. fired back the statement that: "In Pennsylvania Judge Bonniwell's word is not evidence of fact." It was a case of the pot calling the kettle black, for everyone knows that both are politicians and will resort to anything to advance their own interests. In this particular colloquy, however, we have reason to believe what Judge Bonniwell said to be a fact and, therefor, Palmer's implied charge that he is a liar can not hold.

-"Crowding in ahead" may be of temporary advantage, but eventually leads to disaster. The habit is a bad Villa and Henry Cabot Lodge equally hate President Wilson and lots of othone to form or cultivate. The man who elbows you out of your place at er folks love Wilson "for the enemies he has made." the ticket window; the one who entices the clerk behind the counter to cease waiting on you and supply his hurried calls; the one who thunders along the highway and forces you into the ditch; the one who interrupts your conversation with another; the one who is continually "crowding in ahead," wherever he goes, is gradually learning to disregard the civilities of society, and the sign posts of danger and smothering the spirit of restraint. Restraint is not effeminate. Caution is not fear. They are essentials of good breeding and common sense and unless you have them the day is marked when disaster will overwhelm you.

STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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Veto of the Knox Resolution. King Faysal Disappointed. King Faysal, of Syria, recently encampaign operations of the several throned as the first constitutional candidates for President reveals the monarch of that new nation, realizes fact that Mitchell Palmer is not a the effect of our failure to join in the "piker" in the Democratic field. As a League of Nations, even if the Lodges matter of fact Mitch is the "high and the Knoxes of our own country do gun" among the Democratic aspirants not. In a recent avowal King Faysal for the honor as he is also the ferret declares: "Alas, that America, whose in the field. Thus far only those con- assistance we yearned for, America tributors who have earned large fees which entered the arena of war on the made by treaty and the authority to through the operations of the Alien stipulation that secret treaties be Property Custodian and those repre- abolished, has withdrawn, and with the hands of the President. If the senting wealthy clients accused of try- its withdrawal the foundations of Senators and Representatives in Coning to defraud the government have modern diplomacy have been shaken." been uncovered. But the aggregate Like all the other small and weak nayield from these sources amounts to tions of the world Syria relied upon considerably upward of fifty thousand the help, moral if not material, of the takes the same oath, has, and in obetotal contributed in the interest of her expectations have been disap-

Upon the statement of the government of the United States that we entered the war for the benevolent purpose of helping such people as the most liberal contributor is Joe Guffey, ernment four millions of our bravest of Pittsburgh, who served as "Sales and best young manhood enlisted or to "become a party to an action which Manager" in the operations of the were selected for service in the world Alien Property Custodian and as hun- war and nearly one hundred thousand dreds of millions of dollars' worth of of them sacrificed their lives in pursuance of that philanthropic ideal. per centage of commission would pro- But we have failed to fulfill an imvide the \$10,000 he contributed. plied agreement with them for the Judge Covington, who is treasurer of reason that Senator Lodge imagines the Palmer campaign committee, is that he has a grudge against the an attorney under the Alien Property President and other Republican lead-Custodian at a large salary and coun- ers believe that partisan advantage sel for some of the alien corporations may be gained by rejecting the treaty prosecuted. His fees for such service of peace and refusing to join in the to which he was called on the recom- League of Nations.

mendation of Palmer, amounted to All the bloodshed and every other many thousands of dollars so that he evil which has resulted from the guewas probably within the truth when rilla warfare in Russia, Poland and he stated he could afford to pay the on the Adriatic sea since the signing of the armistice in 1918, may be ascribed to our failure to ratify the took to make a separate peace." To treaty of peace and join with those avert such a dishonor which Lodge associated with us in the war in the and his associates were trying to fas-German corporations which paid League of Nations. All the wretchedness, misery and suffering that has erty Custodian and attorney for the been felt since the cessation of hostilities is the result of the bitter par-Alien corporations he enjoyed opportisanship of Republican machine pol- dignity of the United States, with the ses than the actual cost of the white how he might reimburse himself for plans will be a just rebuke and the in-

> -Whatever doubt there may be as salt in the sea," nobody will deny that Colonel Proctor injected soap into the Presidential primary campaign.

Worse Than a Scandal.

The suggestion of Hon. Champ Clark that legislation limiting expenses in Presidential primaries be enacted, is fully justified by the facts recently revealed. The Senate inquiry into the matter shows that \$2,157,145 have been expended in the primary campaign of the Republican party this year and \$121,297 on the Democratic the hope that it will help the Republiside. Of the Republican fund \$1,180,- can party back to the proverbial pie 043 has been expended in behalf of General Leonard Wood, nearly half ously and vehemently howling calamithe total while on the Democratic side \$59,610, about the same ratio, was disbursed in behalf of A. Mitchell Palmer. General Wood's fund was drawn largely from corporate and financial sources and Palmer's from beneficiaries of his own official boun-

gives the Eighteenth amendment an equally dangerous agency, machine of that State ratified the amendment these elements is the more reprehenation. Such a riot of venality as Palally rules that there is no going back mer might inaugurate could only be a prevented such deception. trifle less destructive than the orgie -After the General Wood boom of corporate excesses which Wood might establish. has been decently buried Colonel Proc-

-If everybody out of jail who convention he is still in the lead and ought to be in will vote for Debs his the exposure of the evil methods emincarceration will be a great help to ployed in his behalf appears to have tion would be a public calamity because of the danger that the same be better off. -Don't werry about Senator Lodge's honor. As Sarah Gamp methods might compass his election.

There is one thing certain about the Hoover boom. It's collapse was complete and everlasting.

-Mitchell Palmer counts delegates as Jack Falstaff counted ban--They are all good enough, but the "Watchman" is always the best. dits in buckram.

If President Wilson had curtly returned to Congress the Knox peace resolution with information that it could not be approved without violating his oath of office, he would have been fully justified in the minds of thinking men. Peace is not made by a resolution of Congress repealing another resolution of Congress. It is make treaties is lodged exclusively in gress have no respect for the constitution they are sworn to "support, obey and defend," the President, who

But the President was more courteous than the circumstances required and he gave several other reasons for his veto and left the constitutional point to be inferred. He said in substance, as Senator Lodge had previously declared, that he is unwilling would place uneffaceable stains upon the gallantry and honor of the United States." It would be enjoying advantages of a treaty without contributing a share in the burdens involved. It would be like enjoying the rights and privileges of an organization and refusing to pay a just share of the expenses of maintenance. It would be hard to conceive a more detestable po-

sition to occupy. In an article written by Senator Lodge and published in the Forum, New York, in November, 1918, he declared "we cannot make peace except in company with our Allies. It would brand us with everlasting dishonor and bring ruin to us also, if we undervetoed the Knox resolution, for the lican campaign as "frying the fat out reason that it "is, or ought to be inconceivable, is inconsistent with the dignity of the United States, with the

If there is anybody connected office who hasn't contributed to the Palmer campaign fund the Attorney men. The Democrats never saw so wth the Alien Property Custodian's Palmer campaign fund the Attorney to the identity of the guy who "put General would like to know who and where he is.

Calamity Howls Futile.

The calamity howler appears to be working over time. Prices are high, the cost of living scandalous and profligacy is rampant. But the country hasn't gone to the dogs, as some people imagine, and is not even headed in that direction. The evil specter is largely a political bogie man. It is being used now by Republican politicians and mercenary adventurers in counter. Those who are so industrity are paid agents of the Republican machine wind-jamming for their own advantage. Pay no attention to them. After the election of a Democratic President next fall they will change

their tune. The Republican machine politicians in and out of Congress are responsi-This exhibit is worse than a scan- ble for the present high prices as well dal. It is a positive and pressing as for the other evils of which they menace. On the Republican side it so persistently complain. If they had shows a plain purpose to subvert the given a helping hand after the cessagovernment to the sinister uses of tion of hostilities industrial activities monopolists and on the other side to and commercial prosperity might have been restored a year ago. But those politics. It is hard to say which of boneheads imagined that hard times, high cost of living and business parsible. They are alike selfish and sor- alysis would deceive the voters into lation of the initiative and referen- did. The ultimate result will be the belief that the administration of same whichever succeeds. Wood's the government is derelict or ineffiwould have to be referred to popular election would condemn the country cient. The expectation has not been vote. The Supreme Courts' decision to industrial slavery and Palmer's fulfilled. Nobody has been fooled exwould as certainly commit it to spoli- cept the calamity howlers themselves. The influence of the public schools has

Ours is the richest country in the world, intellectually, mechanically and physically. Our only deficiency is in Both these candidates ought to be patriotism. We tolerate mischief hopelessly beaten at the nominating makers and malignant falsifyers as conventions. There is not and never no other people will. We allow polihas been any danger of Palmer's nom- ticians to impair prosperity and disination as the Democratic candidate. turb industrial progress in the name His candidacy is simply an exhibition of liberty until it becomes license. of an absurd ambition fostered by the But we are not always deceived, servile flattery of sycophants whom though we may seem to be. A vast he has favored with official spoils. majority of the people realize that we But the defeat of General Wood is not have been hampered in our work of so certain. Within a few days of the reorganization and restitution after the war by calamity howlers and that while we indulge them we pay no attention to their lugubrious songs of had no deterrent effect. His nomina- imaginary distress. We are in good shape now and after the election will

> -The McAdoo \$10,000,000 campaign fund seems to be as elusive as Captain Kid's treasure or Grover Bergdoll's pot of gold.

> Mitchell Palmer seems to have farmed the office as well as the property.

The Hunting of the Snark.

From the Philadelphia Record.

The Congressional smelling commit-ee has got scent of an "invisible tee has got scent of an "invisible boom" for Mr. McAdoo. As the boom got the idea that there was such a thing. It also smells a \$10,000,000 invisible fund to support the invisible ling of the electric current in his fingers trail of money, Republicans will fol-low the scent; they can smell money further than any other hunters that ever lived.

The Democrats never had a \$10,-000,000 fund, or the half of it. It never was worth \$10,000,000 to any bunch of plutocrats to have a Democratic victory. A Democratic victory is worth hundreds of millions or even billions to the country as a whole, but the benefit to each individual is so modest that campaign assessments could not be levied on it. But the Republican party can legislate millions into a few pockets the owners of which might invest a small fraction of their prospective gains in financing a Republican campaign. But the Hunting of the Snark would be legitimate business compared with a hunt H. T. Hatfield, of Hazleton, State superinfor a \$10,000,000 fund for any Democratic aspirant for a Presidential nom-

It was a Republican ex-Secretary of the Treasury who, upon retiring from about the money, but mourns one watch, office and going into the banking business, sent out a circular letter to bankers reminding them of the favors they had received from the Treasury and suggesting that there was a conand suggesting that there was a convenient opportunity for reciprocity.

The Republican politicians are very business-like. The simple-minded Democrats lack the highly-developed commercial instinct. It was a Republican Senator who wrote that the consultant of the business houses in the central section of that city. The heating company is a superior who wrote that the consultant of the business houses in the central section of that city. The heating company is a lican Senator who wrote that the convention of his party would probably nominate for Vice President some re-equipped its system at an expense of very rich man who could put up for \$100,000. the campaign expenses, and another Republican Senator who described the customary plan of financing a Repubcontributions to a campaign fund.

There are no \$10,000,000 funds for

the booming of any Presidential aspirants, but if there were one it would be in the interest of a Republican candidate, who, if elected, could sign acts of Congress worth millions to individof Congress worth mil much money.

The Wood Campaign Scandal.

From the New York Sun. The testimony taken by the Senate committee now investigating the matter of preliminary campaign expenditive has astounded the country. There is more to come. The revelation of methods and the disclosure of figures lined up after the almighty dollar mark are only partial so far. Fortunately, we are now getting, in advance of the meeting of the supreme counstructive exhibit of the folly and fu- ed, aged 59 years and 6 months, was born tility of a system which results in in Bradfor township, Clearfield county. substituting for the open convention a subterranean campaign, or sets of campaigns, contrived to forestall the action of the convention and conducted with a secret pecuniary outlay for promotion, in the false name of "publicity," on a scale that would have and most reckless manipulator of the

pended this year for anti-convention was left for dead on the battlefield after a politics was started by the frank ad-mission of Governor Lowden, of Illi-but on the record is marked down as "killnois, that out of a total of about \$415,000 for his preliminary publicity all but less than \$36,000 came from the pockets of himself and his wife. Then came the equally frank but even more surprising testimony of Colonel Procter, as to the expenditures in the interest of General Wood's candidacy. Here the totals amount magnificently into the yet unexplored unknown. We can only consider the indications. A very serious reflection must occur

to those admirers and supporters of General Wood who are now noting and deploring the effect of these revelations upon his chances for the nomidark hore possibility upon whose promotion not a dollar-to say nothing of hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars—had previously been spent for "publicity" and "educational work."

A Pen Picture of "Hi" Johnson.

From an Interview with Alfred Holman, Editor of The San Francisco Argonaut. Senator Johnson is a man of considerable powers. He has a good ed- Eichelberger, the object of her infatuation. ucation, both generally and professionally. For 25 years he was a criminal lawyer. He has an instinct for her own home and killed her 11 year old hatred and a talent for unction. He daughter and herself. Mrs. Dunlop was 36 is perpetually indignant. He has a years old and Eichelberger 30. At a coro-heavy mind which works best under ner's inquest at which the jury found that the influence of anger. His method is Mrs. Dunlop had done the killing, Mrs. to get into a rage and denounce some-body or something. His instinct and capabilities are destructive. No man ing left him. She returned to him only who knows him can imagine Senator Monday night. Robert Dunlop said he was —As Alien Property Custodian Johnson considering any great public hell Palmer seems to have farmed question in a calm, judicial frame of mind. His usual mood is anger.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-Baggage which was lost by Dr. J. M. Fleming, of Huntingdon, at Tours, France, more than a year ago, was returned to him this week in good condition. He served as a surgeon in the First battalion, 321st field artillery, with the rank of first lieuterant.

-Spruce Cabin Inn, owned and operated by Price Brothers, one of the largest summer resorts in the Pocono Mountains, was practically destroyed by fire Sunday night. The loss is close to \$100,000. The house was filled with holiday guests, some of whom lost personal effects. There were no

-A wide search of two weeks for \$5000 worth of Liberty bonds which Harry M. Page, of Williamsport, could not find in their usual resting place in his safety box ended the other day when Page discovered the securities hidden under some other papers in the box. Bankers, police and newspapers had helped in the search.

-John Getz, 35 years old, was frightened to death, surgeons declared, at the is invisible, it can only have been by the sense of smell that the committee Lebanon plant of the Bethlehem Steel company. He was employed in the factory department, when he felt a slight tingboom. The hounds are on a hot trail. as he turned on the current. Getz had They smell the ten million fund. If previously expressed great fear of electric-there is money around, or merely the

-Clarence H. Hopkins, of Westwoods, Schuylkill county, accidentally killed his three year old daughter on Sunday when the child walked in the pathway of his truck, which was being backed into the garage. The father was unable to see what was occurring until the child was killed. He rushed the girl to the Pottsville hospital, where she died in two hours.

-After an idleness of two years, the Columbia rolling mill, purchased by the Reading Iron company from the bondholders of the Susquehanna Iron company, will begin operations next Monday and will give employment to 350 men. The Susquehanna mill, purchased by the same company, will resume operations about July 1st, after being shut down two years.

-Burglars who robbed the home of Mrs. W. C. T. U., Friday night while the family was at church, stole \$35 and two silver watches. Mrs. Hatfield does not care

years the Hazleton Steam Heating compasubsidiary of the Harwood Electric compa-

-Fred Carlos, a Lewistown young man aged 18 years, who is connected with one of the shooting galleries at the Krause shows, now in Lock Haven, was accidentally shot in the abdomen Monday evening by the discharge of a gun which he was handling carelessly and from which he the manufacturers in return for big thought the ball had been shot. The young man was taken to the hospital where an operation was performed on him in an effort to save his life. His condition is ser-

> -Isaac Gaines, 55 years old, a resident of Hyde City, was crushed to death on Tuesday evening, May 25th at the Nickel Alloys plant near Clearfield, when a magnet weighing 1,800 pounds dropped, striking him on the shoulder and crushing his body. Mr. Gaines was employed as a laborer and was passing a car where the magnet was being used to unload metal when the clutch on the foot brake slipped, allowing the magnet to drop. He is sur-

-Boiled alive in a cloud of live steam, William P. Livingston, a former resident of Clearfield, died on Wednesday, May 26th, at the Chester hospital. Livingston was employed at the Sun Shipbuilding plant, and was scalded by a bursting steam pipe at the shipyard. The deceasthere almost five years ago. He is survived by his wife, one son, two daughters.

-Eugene McDonald went up to Scranton from Philadelphia to spend Memorial day with his mother, attending services in honor of soldiers and sailors who gave their staggered the audacity of the boldest lives in the world war. He heard his name read off as having been killed in action. franchise in the old days of the fat- Later he saw his name inscribed on the bronze tablet. McDonald served with the The record of huge amounts exThe record of huge amounts exed in action."

-Rodney A. Mercur, of Towarda, was elected chairman and Deputy attorney General B. J. Myers, secretary of the state commission on revision of county, municipal, school and poor tax laws which began its work at the state capital last Thursday. The commission arranged to hold meetings at Bedford when the state bar association meets; Stroudsburg when the gathering of the boroughs association meets; Wilkes-Barre for the county commissioners association, and York, for the third class city league.

-At Clearfield on Wednesday afternoon nation. Even as practical politicians of last week, the jury in the case of Clethey must be impelled by the testimony before the Senate committee to Themistocles Cavaterra, brought in a vercontrast the present situation with dict of murder in the second degree. The that which would have obtained had verdict was reached after a few hours of his name gone before an open conven- deliberation. The murder occurred on the tion signifying nothing more than a night of December 5th, 1919, on a side street, in Curwensville and was not discovered until the next morning. The authorities went to work promptly on the case and the arrest of Pistilli occurred shortly afterwards. Angelo Tucci has been arrested in connection with the case and will be placed on trial at once.

-Madly in love with a married man, according to the police, Mrs. Mary Frances Dunlop, living on a farm near West Grove, Chester county, shot and killed J. LeRoy as he lay asleep in bed with his wife and infant, early on Tuesday and then drove to ner's inquest at which the jury found that convinced his wife was insane as she had several times threatened to kill herself. He had been separated from her for two years.