

Congress will convene in special session next week and then we'll see what we'll see.

The New York bar associations favor party conventions for making party nominations and everybody except selfish politicians will concur.

Laborers are being paid from \$3.00 to \$3.25 for a nine hour day in and about Bellefonte and while many men are without employment it is really right difficult to secure one for odd jobs of a day or so.

With the city in the greatest industrial slough it has ever experienced and its immediate future impendable Altoona taxpayers are in a panic because their school millage will have to be raised to seventeen mills. They should worry. Bellefonte has been paying twenty-one so long that it doesn't know any better.

There is a bill before the Legislature that, if passed, would make it necessary for boys who sell newspapers on the streets to take out a license. Grand old Commonwealth, this! Land of liberty and opportunity—if you pay a license first to support a lot of law-makers who have no license to be where they are.

It does seem strange that there should be so much trouble in Harrisburg finding enough revenue to supply the needs of the schools and hospitals and so little in finding enough to raise the salaries of hundreds of state officials. And they slipped all the salary grabs through before they permitted any of the State's institutions to have a peep into the bag.

Next week we will start our new serial "Bull Dog Drummond" and if you want some really thrilling reading start it and then lend your paper to your neighbor. If he starts it too you will be sure of having a call from him every week it continues. "Bull Dog Drummond" hasn't been published in book form yet nor has it been filmed, but when it is it will be wonderfully popular.

The Lewisburg Journal is happy because a squad of the state constabulary has been detailed for duty in that place. Lewisburg has been infested with notorious street characters, African golfers and huggers and the one lone policeman of the town is unable to halt the naughty things that are going on down there, hence the call for state aid. My, what a transformation. Years ago Lewisburg had a rep. for just two things: Sunday dinners at the Baker house and beaves of really nice girls.

If you have any bouquets or bricks to throw at the fellow who ties up this office, sets some type, feeds a press now and then, hustles for the mazuma with which to pay his fellow workers and then writes this stuff and some other on the side, don't come in next Friday. We don't expect to be here. We have expectations of spending that day along some good trout stream, far from the worries of a country print shop and near to the joys of meetin' up with a friend who thinks Mr. Volstead didn't mean it—so far as fishermen are concerned.

It is worthy of note that those foreign princes, princesses, generals and admirals whose parasitic life has been ended by the overthrow of governments that supported them, have been forced to go to work. That they are actually working is remarkable in itself, but the significant feature of the incident is the occupations they have evidently found themselves best fitted for. Porters, peddlers, waiters, flower vendors, newsies and bootblacks is what many of them are today. And it is probably because they are not fitted for more ambitious occupations that they were such a bum lot of princes, princesses, generals and admirals that their people raised up and threw them all out.

Canada buys \$300,000,000 more in goods from us than we do from her each year. Naturally she is getting riled up at the prospect of our passing a tariff bill that will make the sale of some of her products in the States impossible and threatens retaliation. If all countries follow Canada's proposal there'll be a fine world's market for our goods. As Col. House says: Our first constructive work should be to help the rest of the world back to normal, so that it can produce something with which to barter for our products. This country can't prosper if the rest of the world is bankrupt any more than the stores of Bellefonte would if no one within trading radius of the town had money or credit with which to purchase their wares.

Sure it was right that President Harding should not receive a pay check for all of the month of March. He didn't work the first three and a half days of the month, so why should he have been paid for them. It isn't the matter of the few dollars involved. It is the principle that should be upheld and the example set by the highest hired man of the nation. Salaries and wages are paid for services rendered and where there is no service there should be no expectation of either. President Harding made no comment on the shortage in his March pay envelope, but a lot of thoughtless news writers did and very likely a lot of readers of their items also thought it a pecksniffian practice. It is probable that they didn't stop to think, either, that when our President accepts pay for work he doesn't do the slacker in more humble positions might justify the pointing to very exalted precedents for his dishonest practices.

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False Hope of Improvement.

Late information from Harrisburg indicates an awakening of the Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly, not only to their duty but to their rights.

Strangely enough and somewhat ominously the spokesman for the protestants is the Speaker of the House and protegee of Penrose and Grundy.

But we look for no improvement on account of the signs of an awakened conscience, or shall we call it an aroused fear, on the part of the lawmakers.

The Pennsylvania railroad shopmen will accept "a reasonable cut" in wages and we are curious to learn how much of a cut General Atterbury estimates as reasonable.

Sound Ideas on Immigration.

If the ideas expressed by Mr. Frederick Wallis, the recently appointed Commissioner of Immigration, in an interview published in the New York World last Sunday, reflect the opinions of the new administration on immigration problems, the country may hope to score vast improvements in the future.

Of all the absurd things which have been written into our immigration laws within a few years the literary test is the most preposterous.

"What we need in America," says Commissioner Wallis, "are men and women strong in body and sound in mind."

Potatoes would not have fallen to the low price level now quoted in some sections if they had been sold at the fair prices offered some months ago.

Act of 1919 a Fence for Profligacy.

Representative Alexander, of Delaware county, may have been mistaken in his opinion that he has a legal right to demand a report of the operations of the State Treasury.

That there is something rotten in the capitol in Harrisburg admits of no doubt. The act of 1919 was not intended to save the expense of publication of reports.

Auditor General Snyder is more diplomatic as well as a better dresser than State Treasurer Kephart.

Governor Sproul has approved the Phipps bill which repeals the county military enrollment bill passed in 1899.

Evil of the Emergency Tariff Bill.

The European governments allied in the late world war owe the United States upward of fifteen billions of dollars.

During the war and as a necessary incident to the conditions then existing an immense commercial marine was created by the government of the United States at a vast expense.

In the face of these facts the Republican leaders in Congress, and apparently with the assent of the President, are preparing to create an embargo which will not only scrap the merchant marine fleets but will make it impossible for Europe to pay the war debts to this country.

Farmers who caught the high prices with low cost crops at the beginning of the war are making wry faces at having to take the low prices for the high cost crops now that the war is over.

Mr. Hughes Right but Not Frank.

It is a pity that Secretary of State Hughes was not more candid in his reply to the memorandum of Dr. Simons with respect to reparations and indemnities for damages incurred during the war.

Germany has been, and with good reason, expecting comfort if not material help from the Harding administration.

The apparent fact remains that all disinterested citizens, while recognizing the obligation of the State Treasurer to pay increased salaries to Judges under that opinion, have never believed it represented an unprejudiced interpretation of the Constitution.

Mayor Moore, of Philadelphia, announces that he will revoke the license of any theatre in that city that puts a wanton, recently acquitted murderer, on its stage.

The Anomaly of Aristocracy.

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Supporting Part of the Constitution.

Suppose the fish don't bite at fust. Suppose the fish don't bite at fust. What be ye goin' tur dew? Chuck down yewr pole, throw out yewr bait.

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Governor Sproul has returned to the Pennsylvania Constitution, which, under his oath of office, he has sworn to enforce and defend.

The justification of the latter action will, we do not doubt, be the decision of the late Justice Thompson, the lone Judge of the Supreme court who was not affected by a similar violation of the Constitution some years ago.

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SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

Wellsboro council has fixed 30 cents an hour as pay for municipal labor and 60 cents for man and team.

Allegheny county detectives, looking for a set of stolen harness, discovered behind the organ of a Croatian Sunday school an illicit still and John Trubak, sexton, industriously engaged in drawing off several gallons of liquor.

Apples are said to be so plentiful in eastern counties that the farmers are crushing those for cooking purposes into cider, an unknown precedent being thereby established.

It pays to advertise has been fully proven by Sheriff Mariz, of Northumberland county. More than six months ago Mrs. Sophia Dark died at Montandora, leaving an \$8000 estate.

Dr. W. W. Longacre, of Mount Pleasant Mills, was last week appointed Democratic member of the board of Snyder county commissioners, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of his brother, Isaac W. Longacre.

In marrying William E. Romig and Miss Elizabeth Kahler, of Bloomsburg, the Rev. F. K. Hunsinger, Lutheran pastor of that town, has made one of the most remarkable records of any minister in the State.

A jury in the Northumberland county court has awarded \$5000 damages to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Chamberlain, of Shamokin, for the loss of their son, Leon Chamberlain's life.

The issue of the Carlisle Herald last Thursday announced the sale of a collection of about 2500 to the Harrisburg Telegraph, effective immediately.

Many Indiana county farmers are having their cows examined for tuberculosis. The State veterinarian has killed five Holstein cows for John Potts, whose farm adjoins the county home, and which were thought to be suffering from tuberculosis.

Forty farmers in the vicinity of Garland, Warren county, have formed a co-operative purchasing association for supplying themselves with lime, feed, fertilizer and possibly other supplies.

Adolph Schwartz, 45 years old, a prominent merchant of Frederickstown, Washington county, was shot fatally on a country road last Thursday.

Because they were \$80 in arrears with their rent to Posa Flencio, Ike Fongrats and Gus Maretic, of Steelton, were advised by Flencio to go out and hold up somebody and rob him of money.

From early morning until noon on April first a rain-soaked waltz lay in the street at Chester, Pa., while scores of pedestrians passed it with a sneer.