lemocratic Watchman.

INK SLINGS.

-And this is the Glorious Fourth! -Many farmers are making hay, while some just finished planting corn last week. A strange seasonal condition, indeed.

-LaFollette wisely declined the nomination of the St. Paul convention but when a real third party nomination is offered he will be perfectly willing to accept.

-A good many moonlight stills are being destroyed, according to official statements, but from other sources it is learned that a good many are also being "found."

Albert B. Fall, says he welcomes his indictment by a federal grand jury. Albert is only whistling to keep up his courage as he passes into the political grave yard.

-Rumor has it that as he approaches the thirtieth anniversary of his birth the Prince of Wales has decided to look around a bit with a view to making some girl a Princess. Better do it, old top, or you'll fool around until you will be making her an old man's darling.

-Our district delegates were divided in their votes during the early balloting in the convention. John F. Short, of Clearfield, voted for Smith and R. M. Foster, of State College, voted for McAdoo. Mr. Short voted to insert the plank denouncing the Ku Klux Klan by name in the platform and Mr. Foster voted against its in-

-The insult to our flag flying over our embassy in Tokio was an unpleasant incident and one for which Japan will speedily apologize for as an act of irresponsibles. It will be seized upon by the jingoes, however, as a far more serious matter. Of course the jingoes always want to fight with some one providing they can incite others to do the fighting for them.

-There'll not be another edition of the "Watchman" published until Friday, July 18th. Instead of taking this week off, as usual, we decided to work this and rest next in order to get the final report of the National convention to you. As it looks at this hour, 10 o'clock Thursday morning, we might have to wait until September for our convention to make a choice so we are going to press now in order to get into the mails so the paper won't be held

-It's a little tough on the Klan, but more power to George Grise, of Pittsburgh, if he gets it over. Grise to drag religion into politics. Great is an expert stereotyper. The peak Protestant and Catholic churches, side of his earnings in that capacity was eighty-five dollars a week. That was zied delegates for more dispassionate too small, so he projected a Klan newspaper for Pennsylvania, had himself voted a salary of sixteen thousand dollars a year for fifteen years and hired Samuel D. Rich, a Pittsburgh promoter, who is the King litical convention was decided by Kleagle of Pennsylvania, to sell the stock in the new enterprise. Everything was going fine for Grise until the State Securities Bureau called a halt on selling stock of a concern that had no other visible asset than Grise's ability as a stereotyper.

-We admire William Jennings Bryan today more than we ever did before and we loathe those who hissed and booed him in Madison Square Garden Saturday night when he was making what will probably be recorded in history as the greatest speech of his life. Well might Bryan have used the words of his Master and turned on the hooting galleries with: "God forgive them! They know not what they do." "The boy orator of the Platte" with his "crown of thorns and cross of gold" never rose to such heights as he did when he-a Presbyterian-bent under the derision yet fought to finish his plea to save his party and the country from the menace of making political issues of religious creeds.

-As we sit writing this paragraph, Monday, the reports of the explosion of cannon crackers-or whatever they are called these days-come from three directions. Two weeks ago we published the order of the Burgess that the Fourth of July is the one and only day on which such patriotic demonstrations are permissible. A few weeks before that we noted that council had raised the salaries of our policemen to very desirable figures. Now there are sticking up, all over our town, notices of a new public nuisance ordinance, which is, in effect passed. We rise to inquire what the Burgess and the policemen have to say about Philippines. the evident contempt there was of their court. Of course today, the lid is off, but why all the laws and no enforcement before?

-We don't think for a minute that any delegation to our party convention in New York had the slightest idea of injecting religion into politics when it took sides, for or against, the committees' plank that failed to denounce the Ku Klux Klan by name. They were all playing politics, but, unfortunately too dull to realize that the weapon they were using was a two-edged sword. Until hot-heads are suppressed and others are given brains enough to see the danger of injecting religious feelings into politics in this free country God preserve it. The christian's greatest obligation is to his God, his government comes next and last of the three is his church.

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BALLOTS GOES ON.

-Former Secretary of the Interior, In It's Thirteenth Session the Democratic National Convenience and therefore the Democratic Party renews its declaration of confition was Balloting Away Yesterday Morning Without an Indication of Who will be the Final Choice.

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Robinson 21 C. W. Bryan . 18 This table shows t part of the 44th wh	19	12	11	t taken o'cloc	wed k yeste	nesday erday 1	nigh	t and	

Smith.

Fourteen ballots were taken on

Monday and at the hour of adjourn-

TUESDAY'S BALLOTING SHOWED LIT-

TLE CHANGE.

All day Tuesday the convention caucused and balloted. All to no pur-

pose, it seemed, for when mid-night

came and the tired assemblage ad-

ourned there had been no change in

the showing of strength of the candidates such as would indicate a possi-

ble break to any one of them.

Throughout the day there were ru-

mors of a swing to a dark horse and Newton D. Baker and William Jen-nings Bryan were mentioned as possi-

bilities, but day waned and night ran into the small hours without the

slightest indication that any of the

hest of party leaders who were jock-

We publish every fifth ballot up to

the 40th here in order to show just what inappreciable changes there

were. This concluded the work of the

convention up until Wednesday morn-

ing after having been in session six

On the 16th ballot Mississippi, that

had been voting solidly for Senator

Pat Harrison dropped him and swung

to Davis, as did some other delegates

This was only a feeler. Mississippi was at heart for McAdoo as was de-

veloped in the later voting Wednes-

THURSDAY MORNING LITTLE CHANGE

day morning with a fervid prayer for wisdom and decision in the choice of

a nominee. It was 9:45, our time, be-

ession of the convention. It was the

43rd ballot, the convention having ad-

conclusion before the Fourth.

of the night's conferences.

Walsh started to announce the result

FORM.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

"The Democratic party pledges all

its energies to the outlawing of the

whole war system. We refuse to be-

lieve that the wholesale slaughter of

human beings on the battlefield is any

more necessary to man's highest de-velopment than is killing by individ-

"The only hope for world peace and

for economic recovery lies in the or-

ganized efforts of sovereign nations

co-operating to remove the causes of

war and to substitute law and order

"Under Democratic leadership a

practical plan was devised under

which fifty-four nations are now op-

erating and which has for its funda-

of all nations in the work of peace.

mental purpose the free co-operation

States for the last four years has had

no foreign policy, and consequently it

has delayed the restoration of the po-

litical and economic agencies of the

world. It has impaired our self-re-

spect at home and injured our pres-tige abroad. It has curtailed our for-

"The government of the United

The convention was opened Thurs-

rushing Davis up from 65 to

eying to feel the convention out.

full days.

day.

figure.

for violence.

son 21, C. W. Bryan 18, Saulsbury 6, Silzer 25, Brown 17. There was very little change in the The Democratic National convention finally got its platform made and adopted late Saturday night, midst a voting up to the 10th ballot when New Jersey gave up hope of landing Silzer and threw her solid delegation to

scene of wildest confusion and discord. Minority reports of the Resolutions committee were carried to the floor of the convention on both the League of Nations and Ku Klux planks. Wilson's Secretary of War, Newton D. Baker, made a most impassioned and dramatic speech pleading for the adoption of a plank that would com-

mit the party to support of the League as Wilson had hoped it would.

Mr. Baker threw himself so utterly into his effort that when he had concluded he collapsed and had to be helped from the platform. His effort was without avail for the convention voted, 742 to 353, to adopt the majority plank of the resolutions committee which favors American membership in the League of Nations after there shall have been a popular refer-

endum favorable to such action. The thrill of the argument on the League of Nations fight was intense because it was so masterfully presented, but it was as nothing when compared with the scenes that were enacted while the defense of the minority report on the Klan plank was beup by the rest from deliveries that the postmen have today.

—It's a little tough on the Klan, but more power to George Grise, of was pleading with the delegates not vision of the danger that menaced and it was well into Sunday morning before the vote was finally taken and it was found that in all that great assemblage the most momentous question that has ever confronted any pomajority of one to adopt the plank as presented by the majority report. The minority report, that was defeated, merely added a paragraph to the majority plank in which the Ku Klux Klan would have been denounced by name rather than by influence.

HIGH LIGHTS IN THE PLATFORM.

The platform is so long that it would take up two full pages of this paper so that we cannot publish it in full. It is a splendid document covering all the principles for which Democracy stands in forceful language and without recourse to pussey-footing on so many issues as did the one adopted at Cleveland two weeks ago. It declares for: Referendum proposed on League of

Nations issue. Further tax reduction and the re-

vision of the tariff. Enactment of legislation designed "to restore the farmer again to economic equality with other industrial-

Readjustment of freight rates and revision of the Transportation Act to eliminate section abolishing Railroad Labor Board.

Strict public control and conservation of the Nation's resources, recovery of oil reserves "fraudulently" leased, and vigorouus prosecution of any guilty wrong-doing.

Governmental control of the anthracite industry.
Operation of a Government-owned

merchant marine. Revision of the Corrupt Practices Act to prevent excessive campaign contributions and expenditures. Enforcement of the Constitution

and all laws. Maintenance of Asiatic immigra tion exclusion by legislation. Immediate independence for the

BALLOTING FOR PRESIDENT.

Sixteen candidates had been presented in nomination last Friday, but turmoil over the platform prevented a start of balloting for them until Mon-

day. The nominees were:
Oscar Underwood, of Alabama. Joseph T. Robinson, of Arkansas. William G. McAdoo, of California. Willard Saulsbury, of Delaware. Samuel M. Ralston, of Indiana. Jonathan M. Davis, of Kansas. Albert C. Ritchie, of Maryland. Woodbridge N. Ferris, of Michigan. David F. Houston, of Missouri and

New York. Charles W. Bryan, of Nebraska. Fred H. Brown, of New Hampshire. George S. Silzer, of New Jersey. Alfred E. Smith, of New York. James M. Cox, of Ohio. Carter Glass, of Virginia.

John W. Davis, of West Virginia Always we will have a God, for both Protestant and Catholic to worship, but we might not have a government or a church.

The first ballot gave McAdoo 4313, Smith 2403, Cox 59, Harrison 432, Underwood 422, J. W. Davis 31, Ralston 30, Glass 25, Ritchie 222, Robinand New York.

"It is of supreme importance to civilization and to mankind that America be placed and kept on the right side of the greatest moral question of all time, and therefore the Democratic dence in the ideal of world peace, the League of Nations and the World Court of Justice as together constituting the supreme effort of the statesmanship and religious conviction of our time to organize the world for

"Further, the Democratic Party de-clares that it will be the purpose of the next Administration to do all in its power to secure for our country that moral leadership in the family of nations, which in the providence of God, has been so clearly marked out

for it.
"There is no substitute for the League of Nations as an agency working for peace; therefore, we believe that in the interest of permanent peace, and in the lifting of the great burdens of war from the backs of the people, and in order to establish a permanent foreign policy on these supreme questions, not subject to change of party administrations, it is desirable, wise and necessary to lift this question out of party politics, and to that end to take the sense of the American people at a referendum election advisory to the government to ment that night very little change had be held officially under act of Congress, free from all other questions been made. There was no indication of a break in the deadlock though on the 14th McAdoo had reached 4752 and candidacies, after ample time for full consideration and discussion and Smith had increased his vote to

throughout the country, upon the question in substance, as follows:

"Shall the United States become a member of the League of Nations upon such reservations or amendments to the covenant of the League as the President and the Senate of the Unit-

ed States may agree upon?' "Immediately upon an affirmative vote we will caary out such man-

REPUBLICAN INEFFICIENCY AND CORRUPTION.

"Never before in our history has the government been so tainted by corruption, and never has an Administration so utterly failed. The Nation has been appalled by the revelations of political depravity which have

"These investigations sent the former Secretary of the Interior to Three Rivers in disgrace and dishonor. These investigations revealed the incapacity and indifference to public obligation of the Secretary of the Navy, compelling him, by force of public opinion, to quit the Cabinet. These investigations confirmed the general impression as to the Attorney General by exposing an official situation and personal contracts which shocked the conscience of the Nation and compelled his dismissal from the Cabthe appalling conditions of the Veterans' Bureau, with its fraud upon the government and its cruel neglect of the sick and disabled soldiers of the World War. These investigations revealed the criminal and fraudulent nathe Congress, despite the indifference fore the delegates had been seated and of the Executive, to direct recovery of that.

the public domain and the prosecution chairman Walsh started the roll call of of the criminal. States for the thirteenth consecutive "Such are the exigencies of partisan politics that Republican leaders are teaching the strange doctrine that ourned at 10 o'clock Wednesday night public censure should be directed n order to give the tired officers and against those who expose crime rathlelegates a long night's rest. It was er than against criminals who have loped also that possibly caucuses committed the offenses. If only three yould be held and some sort of com-Cabinet officers out of ten are disgracpromise effected whereby the morning ed, the country is asked to marvel at session would open the way to a choice how many are free from taint. Long so that there would be some hope of boastful that it was the only party 'fit to govern,' the Republican party The 43rd ballot was concluded at has proven its inability to govern even itself. It is at war with itself. As an 10:15 our time and just as chairman agency of government it has ceased to function. This Nation cannot afthe aviation field cut in with its 4000 wave length machine and our little ford to entrust its welfare to a polit-360 was blurred so we couldn't hear a ical organization that cannot master itself or to an Executive whose poli-Comparing the votes of the State on the 44th with that of the 42nd, the cies have been rejected by his own party. To retain in power an Adminlast ballot last night we are of the istration of this character would inopinion that there was very little evitably result in four years more of change yesterday morning as a result continued disorder, internal dissension and governmental inefficiency.
"A vote for Coolidge is a vote for IMPORTANT PLANKS IN THE PLAT-

chaos!

FREEDOM OF RELIGION, FREEDOM ever steps are necessary." OF SPEECH, FREEDOM OF PRESS.

"The Democratic party reaffirms its adherence and devotion to those cardinal principles contained in the Constitution and the precepts upon which our government is founded, that Congress shall make no laws respecting the establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and petition the government for redress of grievances that the church and the State shall be and remain separate, and that no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office of public trust under the United States. These principles we pledge ourselves ever to defend and maintain. We insist at all times upon obedience to the orderly processes of the law and deplore and condemn any effort to arouse religious a pedestrian is not obliged to jump or racial dissension.

ciples, we submit our cause to the people."

-Read the "Watchman."

The Efficiency Expert.

From the Philadelphia Record. philosophers, in books and magazine articles, have been pointing out the failure of democracy. We are told it has broken down all over Europe, and, dissatisfied with the futility of confessing that they cannot govern themselves and are appealing to bosses to rescue them from popular government. Even in our own be-loved land the keynoter of the Repub-lican convention said that the people by a vast majority were looking for leadership, not to Congress, but to Calvin Coolidge.

It looked bad for government of the people and by the people and for the people. It seemed as if it might per-ish from the earth to the general advantage. Dictators were so much more efficient. And just at that moment something went wrong with the most perfect piece of political efficiency mechanism that has been devel-

An opponent of the Government in Turkey disappears. In Russia, if he escapes the Cheka's firing squad, he disappears into Siberia, just as he would have done under the Czars, who had a piece of political machinery which was unrivaled for its efficiency until it collapsed. But west of Turkey and Russia there is an almost universal opinion that if a man is not against government itself, but only against the Ministry of the day, he ought to be as safe as a man who is loyal to the party in power. In Italy an opponent of the efficiency expert disappeared. There are stories of his assassination. assassination. Instantly confidence in the efficiency expert's methods has been shaken to its foundations. Nothing in the world could be more efficient than the elimination or the annihilation of a man who threatens to office of the A. S. Kreider Shoe company read a lot of documents highly dis- at Lebanon, on Monday was sentenced by

to the conviction that "all of us know admitted he knew the combination of the more than any of us." It isn't true; safe, having been formerly employed by the persons competent to govern are not the majority, but the minority; but there is no known way of getting Kn. Klux Klan. plead nominees intended releasing the delegates bound to them.

McAdoo polled only 415 on the 29th ballot which was 64 less than he had had on the 15th. Smith had run up to 321 on the 29th, that being greatest poll up to that time, but greatest poll up to that time, but most of the changes were at the best of party leaders who were jock. men have to rule themselves; as a matter of fact, 49 of them are ruled skipped out, deserting his family. He was by 51, and they are finding out fast enough that a majority can be quite as oppressive as a monarch. Political philosophy does not inspire action; it is invoked simply to explain or justify body of an unidentified man in the Que-

action that has been taken. the impetus of self-preservation. Men rock weighing about 150 pounds was tied wish to express their opposition to to the legs. The pockets in the man's the persons momentarily in possession of power, and protest against the acts of the Government, without danger that their property will be confiscated, inet. These investigations disclosed or that they themselves will disapthe appalling conditions of the Vetersurreptitous means. The efficiency expert is admirable-within certain limits. If he is too effective in eliminating the opposition he is liable to have elimination applied to himself. Deture of the oil leases, which caused mocracy may not be perfectly efficient, but it is safe, and men care more for

Debunking the Campaign.

From the New York World. To the home folks gathered on the lawn, Gen. Dawes declares that the country is suffering from an "orgy of demagogism," that he hopes to come back from the campaign with his head high, and that when he sees political buncombe running away with common sense he is going to smite it hip and

give no quarter.' pointed out; from Dawes we shall plice in the mail theft. According to the have directness and plain talk. The commissioner, the bootleg charge followed General may choose to date his onslaught from the day the Democrats have picked a candidate; but there is Pitello denies knowledge of the theft, says no need to mark time if he is ready for a start. Debunking the Republican platform is a man's-sized job.

Who asks a better target when he's five days. canonading bunk than the Republican promise to the farmer? After pro-

Who asks a better target than Republican silence on the \$220,000,000 with Snyder, were arrested after the acscandle of Col. Charles R. Forbes? if bunk interests him, has a rare which was declared to be traveling at a chance to explain why that is so and moderate rate of speed. The injured youth what the Republican party has in mind when it talks of the "thoughtful but died before that institution was reachconsideration" to the veterans it has ed. always shown. We are glad to see a man who al-

ways means what he says start out on a campaign of this sort. To Gen. Dawes we wish the best of luck and lots of time.

Beyond Human Nature.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer. A Massachusetts court rules that out of the way of an autom "Affirming our faith in these prin- Maybe-but it takes a lot of faith, hope and stubbornness not to.

> -It's all in the "Watchman" and it's all true.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-Thieves forced an entrance to the Sunbury Barber Supply company establishment, at Sunbury, early Saturday morning and escaped with merchandise valued at \$250. Among the loot were five dozen imported razors, a hundred pairs of shears and a quantity of clippers and combs, some of the articles being found in different places in Sunbury.

-Although she has a fortune in her own right, Miss Mary Cameron Packer, granddaughter of James C. Packer, millionaire lawyer and horseman, who died several years ago, at Sunbury, will become a trained nurse. Miss Packer will enter the Presbyterian hospital, Philadelphia, September 1st. She has been a student at the fashionable National Park school at Washing-

-Mrs. Daniel Cave, while shopping in Sharon, last Friday, admired a diamond Since the world war the political ring in a 5 and 10 cent store. She paid the clerk a dime for it and presented it to her mother, Mrs. George Clayton. It was later discovered that the ring, valued at \$800, was accidentally dropped in the store the and, dissatisfied with the futility of representative institutions, people are confessing that they are the thought the state of the st turned and the purchaser liberally reward-

> -The State conscience fund was enriched \$25 on Monday by a contribution from Seth E. Gordon, secretary of the Board of Game Commissioners, who received the money from a man who said he shot and cooked a ring neck pheasant out of season in 1921. The letter accompanying the money declared "the Lord has laid it on my heart to make it right. I prefer to with-hold my name." The letter was postmarked Altoona.

-Suit for \$20,000 for breach of promise of marriage was filed in Blair county court on Monday by Pasquale Cerullo, 22 years old, against Lucy Mirabaldi, aged 18, of Altoona. He alleges they obtained a marriage license November 22, last year, but when he was unable to buy a home the engagement was broken. Cerullo also alleges he gave the girl a diamond engagement ring, breastpin, necklace, clothes and perfume. The clothes were returned.

-All the Protestant churches of Hazleton last Thursday night joined in a community service at Trinity Lutheran church to celebrate the golden jubilee of that congregation and also that of its pastor, the Rev. John Wagner, who organized it and has been its only minister. Tribute was dresses.

-Warren Grubb, aged 19 years and married, ringleader of a trio of youths, who, a week ago stole \$300 from the safe in the creditable to the efficiency expert's beautiful machine. But the Italian LeRoy Snyder, 18, was sentenced to four people resent it; they don't feel safe. months in the county jail and Robert Peif-The spread of democracy is not due fer, aged 14 years, was paroled. Grubb months in the county jail and Robert Peif-

> skipped out, deserting his family. He was arrested in Louisville, Kentucky.

-A murder mystery confronts Somerset county police following the finding of the mahoning dam, near Somerset. Three bul-The spread of democracy is due to let holes were found in the body and a clothing had been rifled, and all marks of identification had been removed. Dr. H. S. Kimmel, county coroner, said the man probably had been dead ten days. He estimated his age as 32 years and said he appeared to be an Italian.

-Former Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh has sold his home in Germantown, and will leave that city to become president of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., it was learned Friday. He is an alumnus of the institution, which is operated by the Church of the Brethren. Governor Brumbaugh purchased the Germantown residence in 1912. The present sale price was \$40,000. His acceptance of the presidency of Juniata College marks the former Governor's return to the pedagogical field, since from 1906 until his election as Governor in 1914 he was superintendent of schools in Philadelphia.

-Charles Pitello, former Mount Carmel mail carrier, who is under bail for a \$12,-500 theft from the pouches has been held in \$1000 bail before Federal Commissioner thigh. "I ask no quarter and will Engle, of Sunbury, on a charge of bootlegging. At the same time John Rocco, a Typical of the man, it will be friend, was held in \$1000 bail as an accomthe finding of a large quaantity of whiskey, gin and wine in the Pitello cellar. he never made a confession, and avers that state cops and government employees for

-Walter J. Herman, the nine year old son of Henry E. Herman, of Lock Haven, per preliminaries, and at the end of a long rush of words the party pledges itself—to what?—"to what"to what pledges itself—to what?"

Soll of Helry E. Herman, of Edek Haven, was fatally injured when struck by an automobile driven by Russell Snyder, of Mill Hall, about 7:30 o'clock on Saturday evening. Snyder and Albert Bowman, owner of the car and who was in the machine Forbes and his betrayal of the war nitely established that the accident was veterans aren't mentioned in the unavoidable. The lad, who was playing Cleveland declaration. Gen. Dawes, in the street, ran in front of the machine,

> -Resignation of the Rev. C. L. Hunter as pastor of the First Baptist church, at Huntingdon, because a number of his congregation objected to his being a member of the Ku Klux Klan, was followed Sunday night by a klan demonstration in which more than 1000 hooded men from Altoona, Johnstown and other western Pennsylvania places participated. hooded gathering was addressed by Hunter from the steps of the church, after which there was a parade and band concert. "I resign for the good of the congregation," Hunter said, "but I shall still preach wherever I am needed and shall remain here to work for the klan cause." A big Klan demonstration is scheduled to be held in Huntingdon today.