

INK SLINGS.

-The man who pledges himself to support legislation, the real nature of which he has no knowledge, is certainly not a safe person to represent Centre or any other county in the Legislature.

-The foot ball season is on, but it's lost its old time setting. We still have the chrysanthemum, but the long haired warriors are gone from the field and their long haired admirers will be few in the stands.

-The Rev. Dr. Lever, of the Episcopal church of the Advocate, in Philadelphia, said it to Mayor Kendrick last Sunday night. If the Mayor Pepper type juggle figures to fool the reads or hears of that sermon he'll be face to face with a lot of truths that most politicians know, but try to hide from.

-Betting in New York is already seven to five that Al. Smith will beat young Roosevelt for Governor. The November because Smith has a record to stand on and all Roosevelt claims s an illustrious Pap and a narrow es-Daugherty and Denby were urged to petake themselves to.

-Due entirely to our rooting Washngton has won the American League will have his first chance to pitch in fore received by any community of i world's series. Henceforth the vorld will be told that the Washingon monument was really erected in inticipation of the glory that the Senstors have brought to the Capital of he Nation.

-No one need have missed meals ind stood day after day in a swelterng court room to hear the Musser nurder trial. The "Watchman," tolay, publishes every detail of it, far nore accurately than most of those vho were in the court room can tell of it, for they couldn't hear more than alf of what was said either by the ourt, the attorneys, the witnesses or he prisoners at the bar.

-Missouri being safe as Alabama or Davis, Indiana looking better ent administration shows that emvery day and New York conceded as fifty-fifty proposition, even before smith begins his campaign, it is not o awfully premature to begin thinkng about who will be the next postnaster in Bellefonte. Mr. Knisely is naking a very good one, of course, per cent. in per capita earnings. ut he wouldn't consider, for a minute, ontinuing in office under such a felow as John W. Davis.

-Eight years as Commissioner of entre county gave William H. Noll n opportunity to observe and study ur needs. He knows the diversity of terests in the county. He knows ne valuations, the tax problems, the abor and racial conditions of every istrict, because he has personally ome in contact with them in an offiial capacity. And if he is sent to ment that business is prosperous in larrisburg to represent Centre in the Boston or Buffalo, because American egislature this knowledge will be voters are in the habit of accepting reatly to our advantage. It will enfor truth any statement of the Presible him to vote intelligently on bills dent of the United States. But the nat may be presented. statistics of the Department of Labor -As we walked down street Sunfor the period of the administration of ay morning we noticed the twelve President Coolidge show that he has en on whose verdict the life of Harmisrepresented facts. 7 Musser was hanging. They were When a business man goes to the it for a bit of exercise under the obbank and gets accommodations by ervation of two court officials. To false representations he commits a s, all of the jurors had the appearmisdemeanor. If a man goes to the nce of solemnity. Well might they, store and procures goods or credit by or a human life was in their hands. misrepresentation of facts he is proshen we noticed the unusual number ecuted and punished. In his stateautomobiles moving on the streets ments on the occasion of his notificand wondered whether one of the tion and on Labor day when he asany drivers would, before night-fall, sembled in the White House a select ke the life of some innocent pedesgroup of former labor leaders, now ian. The responsibility of a life employees of the government, Calvin sts heavily on men in a jury box. Coolidge forgot his caution and plungit rested as heavily on men at a ed into a misrepresentation of facts eering wheel the grim reaper would in order to get votes under false preot be perched on the bumpers of so tense. It is not customary to make any automobiles. such charges against the President of the United States but it is not usual -There will be nine National parto see one-third of the members of the es with candidates to be voted for President's cabinet dismissed for corext month. This means that the rupt practices or for the President to llot will be at least eleven columns falsify. ide: One for the party squares, ne for the thirty-eight electors of ch party and one blank for other -Herbert Hoover is greatly worectors whom the voters may write This will necessitate a ballot at United States will spend forty or fifast thirty-two inches wide and long ough to accommodate the names of e electors of each party, the canditoo emotional. tes for Superior Court Judge, State easurer, Auditor General, Congress--It seems that the Coolidge an. Member of the Legislature. Jury managers have been unable to get mmissioner and space for the pro-Senator Brookhart into line and thus sal to hold a constitutional conventhe electoral vote of Iowa is almost n in 1926. A blanket ballot seems certain to be for Davis. certainty, whether it's to be warm cold on election day. -Harry Daugherty has butted -Settlement of the Boston police into the campaign in behalf of Coorrike made Coolidge a vice-Presidenidge but thus far they have been able l candidate. Death made him to keep former Secretary Fall outside esident and gave him the chance to the breastworks. n for the office on his own. Some onths ago we told you that Coolidge is away from Boston when the poadd a line or two to his recent letter e strike was settled and had little do with the achievement that was to the Public Service board dismissing to plead for civic improvement but to his department which make the official edited to him and used to accomsh his nomination at Chicago four | while. ars ago. Now, no less an authority in Clinton W. Gilbert, author of -In order to avert a conniption he Mirrors of Washington" confit in the White House we hasten to ns the "Watchman's" statement in assure President Coolidge that the new book, "You Takes Your constitution is perfectly safe. oice." He says Coolidge did not tle the Boston police strike and he ----Coolidge will not reduce the ther credits him with great mental sugar tariff as long as the sugar wer, nor much political courage. If growers continue to "sweeten" the Republican convention at Chicago slush fund. l known that Mr. Harding would survive his term Calvin Coolidge uld have stood no chance, what--Don't put off all political work r, of being its nominee for Vice until election day. This is harvest throat may be that the machine manesident. time in that line.



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Seeking Votes Under False Pretense. New York Insures the Election of

No one is greatly surprised when demagogues of the George Wharton public. But when the President of tion any doubts of the election of John the United States resorts to such ex- W. Davis to the office of President pedients to support his claim to con- they were removed on Friday last tinued popular favor thoughtful peo- when Governor Smith accepted the ple are justly amazed. In his acceptance speech on August 14th, Presi- tion. Governor Smith has been electdent Coolidge said: "A great revival ed three times and administered the odds on Smith will lengthen before of industry during the Republican ad- office with great ability and fidelity ministraton took place, which is now spreading to agriculture. Complaint wanted to retire in order to give atof unemployment has ceased; wages tention to business that he might acape from the oblivion that Fall and have increased." In his Labor day cumulate a campetency for his famispeech Mr. Coolidge said: "Not only ly. But he was persuaded to relinare the American wage earners receiving more money and more of the to promote the interests of his party things money will buy for their work and rescue the government at Wash-

pennant and Walter Johnston, one of than any other wage earners in the ington from the thieves who have been he greatest moundsmen of all time, world, but more than was ever bewage earners." Mr. William B. Wilson, who was un-

til his election to Congress in the Sixteenth district of Pennsylvania, secretary-treasurer of the United Mine that with Governor Smith as the can-Workers, is probably better informed didate of the Democratic party the on labor statistics than any other man in the country. When the office of as secure for Davis as that of Ala-Secretary of Labor was created President Woodrow Wilson appointed Wil- have nominated for Governor the man liam B. Wilson to occupy that seat in who contributed most to the frauduhis cabinet. Since his retirement lent lease of the Teapot Dome oil refrom that office he has kept in intimate touch with organized labor and has been its capable and efficient list public sentiment in his favor. But champion. He has analyzed the statements of President Coolidge above quoted, and taking the statistics of the Department of Labor during the pres-

ployment has fallen off since 1920 from 108.4 in that year to 94.8 at States as Delaware, Kentucky, Marypresent, and that from July, 1923, to land and Missouri absolutely secure July, 1924, there has been a decrease the addition of the vote of New York of 14.3 per cent. in employment, 19.3 literally guarantees the election of per cent. in pay roll totals and 5.9

agers is to deceive the voters into the in 1912 for the reason that LaFollette

We hasten to assure our distressed Republican friends that the constitution of the United States is in no danger from bolshevists, anarchists, socialists or other persons who look at things through red lenses or imagine that some other form of government

is preferable to that we are now living under. John W. Davis, the superb candidate of the Democratic party for President, told the truth and the whole truth the other day when he said the real enemies of the constitution are not the Reds and Bolshevists, but the corrupt and impotent public officials and their associates." They constitute the only serious present menace to the government of the Out of oil, oil, oil, oil United States and its fundamental Oil, oil, oillaw

Albert B. Fall, who was Secretary of the Interior during the adminis-Hear the gurgling of the oiltration of the late President Harding, did more to injure the government of How the schemers and despoilers seethe the United States and impair the con-How the grafters' eyes all glisten! stitution when he leased the oil re-See them all sit up and listen serves to Doheny and Sinclair in one To the sordid tales that floatday than Mr. LaFollette could do in a thousand years, even if he were elect-How the bribers gape and gloat ed President, which he never will be. O'er the story of Doheny and his note Harry Daugherty, Attorney General under Harding and under Coolidge un-How the G. O. P. hosts quake! til public opinion forcd him out, did What a spectacle they make! more harm in one week in the Little With their camouflage of virtue all be Green house on K street, Washington, than the entire LaFollette party could Of the oildo in four years of unrestrained con-Of the oil, oil, oil, oil, trol. It is the official thieves who con-Oil, oil, oiltrol the Republican party that mean In the puddling and the muddling of the harm. Hear the hissing of the oil-

The tariff law which steals from the pockets of the people five billion dollars a year to bestow unearned lar-What a record of dishonor in its serpengesses on political favorites creates more discontent in the industrial life How it swells! How it smells of the country in one month than a To the heavens! How it tells million "red" agitators could in a year. Of the greed-lust that impels The \$145,000 a day stolen from the To the barter of a soulhousewives of the country to reim-Of the greed-lust that bewitches The scheme of the Republican man- more votes than were given to Taft burse beet and cane sugar growers Man to sell his soul for riches for the money contributed to buy votes for the Republican candidates is How the reputations fall! See them shrouded in the pall a more potent influence for evil in a Of the oil Dead and gone beyond recall In the oleaginations that so ominously have been driven from Washington. In the boiling

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-Marion and Lucille, 2 and 3 year old daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mayes, of Lock Haven, were badly scalded about their bodies, last Friday, when they upset a kettle full of boiling jelly on themselves in the kitchen of their home in that place, when they ran against the oil stove.

-Harry Cummings, of Johnstown, who was sentenced on September 25, 1922, to serve a term of not less than seven nor more than ten years in the western penitentiary by Judge Thomas J. Baldrige, for complicity in the robbery of the First National bank, of Claysburg, is asking for a pardon.

-One of the most daring burglaries committed in Luzerne county for many years took place Friday night when the Night Owl Lunch, at Plymouth, was entered and a safe containing \$1200 was carried away. No trace has been found of the (With apologies to E. A. Poe and consafe, which weighed in the neighborhood dolence to Messrs. Daugherty, Denby, Fall of 500 pounds. and T. Roosevelt Jr .- From the National

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THE BURNING ISSUE-OIL!

(A Fall Poem.)

With a vision of "mazuma' as it rushes

Democratic Magazine).

from the soil!

And the speculator rushes

In a frantic frenzied cry,

without toil

and broil!

Born of oil;

oil.

oil

coil

tinian coil!

To the ticker at the sound,

Shouting "Buy, Buy, Buy!"

Teapot oil!

All too true!

Torn in two!

draggled in the moil

Teapot oil!

To a ghoul!

How they shake,

Hear the gushing of the oil-

How it gushes, gushes, gushes

Teapot oil!

From the caverns underground-

Where the ghouls bathe underground-

-John C. Smith, a well known resident of Blair county, who died recently, be-queathed \$3000 to the Altoona hospital, \$3000 to the Asbury cemetery association, \$2000 to the Asbury Methodist church and the remainder of the \$20,000 estate in equal parts to the Methodist Home for the Aged at Tyrone, and foreign missionary societies.

-Declaring that "petting parties" in the rural sections of Lehigh county not only have become a nuisance, but have a "tendency to break down the high standards of home life and low ideals," Schencksville In a craze of speculation to win riches Grange has adopted resolutions protesting against improper usage of public highways and calling upon the officers of the law to break up the practice. From the rushing and the gushing of the

-Edward Free, son of Dr. Spencer M. Free, of DuBois, has been appointed chief editor of The Scientific American. Mr. Free is a graduate of the DuBois High school, 1911, later graduating from Cornell and receiving the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Johns Hopkins. He was with the United States government for several years doing research work.

-George W. Rockwell, has been formally awarded a contract to build a bridge across the Susquehanna's west branch betwen Northumberland and Blue Hill. His bid was \$405,112.08, for a cement and steel structure of eleven spans. It will replace a century-old structure of wood that was burned on June 3 of last year. Work will be started at once, according to Mr. Rockwell.

-The first of a series of criminal presecutions by the State Department of Forestry against the railroads of the State, was entered at Allentown at a hearing before Alderman Rickets. The Central Railroad of New Jersey and William Sweeney, division superinendent, were co-defendants to a charge of starting a forest fire at Sugar Notch in March with sparks from a defective locomotive.

-Mrs. Sadie Erb, 24 years of age, of Lehigh county, the mother of five small children, was so badly burned last Thursday morning at her home that she died three hours later at the Allentown hospital. How the accident occurred is not known as she was alone at the time. Her husband was attracted by her screams, finding her clothing a mass of flames. She died without regaining consciousness.

--Pleading guilty to smuggling twelve steel saws into the western penitentiary, Harry Holtgraver, a former guard at the prison, was sentenced to serve from ty four years in the Allegheny county workhouse, in criminal court at Pittsburgh last Thursday. Holtgraver testified that he From the Philadelphia Record. was in urgent need of money at the time "Claim everything possible against and was unable to resist the temptation LaFollette and pretend that Davis is when convicts made him offers to obtain faithful" from the G. O. P. press agency in Washington. The man in Republic, was a member of the Legisla--Dr. L. F. Arensberg, the new commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the ture in the sessions of 1901, 1903 and 1905 from Fayette county. He is a doctor and a farmer. He served under all the big generals of the army from Bull Run to Appomattox, marching over 8000 miles. and was under fire 60 times with his batpages of a score or more of papers in tery. The Pennsylvania Department of the G. A. R. elected him department commander in 1916. -The Reading Iron company, successor to the Thomas Iron company, of Allentown, is offering virtually the whole of Hokendouqua for sale. The town for many years figured prominently in the steel and iron industry, but several months ago the furnaces were shut down and indications are they will never be reopened. The Reading company is also disposing of its farm lands there. There are 238 dwellings, the majority erected sixty years ago for furnace employees, offered for sale. -With a view to establishing a training camp for young people, an option has been came available today" for the first taken on the camp grounds at Newton time is due entirely to the inability of Hamilton by a commission named by the the G. O. P. press agency forces to board of Sunday schools and Epworth make up their collective mind as to Leagues of Central Pennsylvania Methowhat sort of "information" should be dist conference. The commission hopes to sent out. Earlier in the campaign it move the Epworth League Institute from was confidently announced by this Eagles Mere to Newton Hamilton and to establish a boys' and girls' camp. The draw his strength mainly from the Democrats. But now all that has been changed. It "is explained (to -Pennsylvania express train No. 95. west bound, ran from Bellwood to East Altoona last Friday without a directing hand in the locomotive cab. The engineer and the firemen were driven from the cab by flames, steam and smoke when the lift pipe in the stack collapsed. Engineer J. E. Arndt took refuge on the lower step of the engine and, as the train sped through Bellwood, he was knocked off by a fence. Fireman V. C. Ayres, who sought a place of safety on the coal tender, was burned about the face. When the fire under the boiler died down, Ayres crawled back into the cab and brought the train to a stop. -Raymond Steinmetz, who leaped into a 5 year old girl from death by a locomomoreland county for deserting his wife and on charges of fraud. Other Pennsyl-

The Constitution is All Right.

Davis. If there were at any time since the adjournment of the New York convennomination of his party for re-elecbut at immense personal sacrifice. He

quish that laudable purpose in order looting during four years.

It is freely admitted even by the chairman of the Republican National committee that Mr. Coolidge cannot be elected without the electoral vote of New York. It is equally certain electoral vote of New York is made bama or Georgia. The Republicans serves to Sinclair in the belief that his name, Theodore Roosevelt, will enno name is as potent as that of Al. Smith in New York and even if Roosevelt were not smeared with Teapot oil

he would be defeated. With the electoral vote of all the southern States and such border John W. Davis by the Electoral Colleges. Mr. Coolidge may get a few

belief that industrial life is running is likely to get a few less than were at high tide of prosperity. Of course, | cast for Roosevelt. But the result people in Bellefonte know that such will be the same. Davis will be elect- year than all the bolshevists in the is not the case here but being assur- ed this year as Woodrow Wilson was country could be in a generation. The ed on so high an authority as the then and it is gratifying that his elec- constitution is all right and will serve statement of the President of the tion will guarantee the same integrity the righteous purpose for which it In the oil, oil, oil, oil, oil-United States they may be fooled as in office and efficiency in administra- was created long after the thieves Oil, oil oilto conditions in Pittsburgh, Chicago or other points at which they have no the same high ideals which Wilson

contact. The people of Pittsburgh brought to the service. and Chicago may accept his state-

the Washington conference was a com- fice. plete failure.

Well Meaning but Futile Effort.

Four thousand well-meaning citizens of Philadelphia assembled in the Academy of Music on Monday even- Sproul is the high water mark of ading to remonstrate against the im- ministrative profligacy so far as the pending removal of Brigadier Gener- government of Pennsylvania is conal Butler from the office of Director cerned. It is remembered that tax of Public Safety. The courageous and capable marine officer has disap- vious administrations, and notwithpointed the expectations of the Mayor of that city and the gang of political pirates who are behind him. His Treasury practically empty and obliappointment was to create a semblance of obedience to campaign obligations. The city was a hot-bed of vice and crime and the candidate for in describing the affairs in Harrisburg Mayor promised to "clean up the as "a mess" which he, with a "flourish mess." It was expected that the ma- of trumpets" promised to "clean up." rine officer would make a harmless gesture in that direction and in a few months abandon it as a hopeless undertaking.

General Butler obviously misinterimagined that the expressed intention

to drive the crime and vice out of the city was both earnest and sincere and Soon the machine followers of the ty billions of dollars to buy all the Mayor protested that the sources of railroads of the country. Herbert is political strength were being sapped. ernment, exclusive of road bond funds,

> that he would ask Director Butler to resign. This aroused the clergy and

pressed Monday evening.

day evening. Vice and crime are es- away from his speeches. sential to Republican success in Philadelphia and the majority of the vot-

ed" will not persist lon gin their op- rose was in the same predicament for position.

-The trouble with Pinchot's agers have secured a grip on it.

-We are glad to learn that Herbert Hoover has found out which par-

-If the Japs continue to com- ty he belongs to. He is now outspokplain people are liable to conclude that en for the party that gave him an of-

Pinchot's Profligate Administration.

It has been the custom of all concerned in such matters to treat the administration of Governor William C. collections were far in excess of prestanding that fact the close of the Sproul term of office found the State gations for considerable amounts unfulfilled. It was this condition of affairs which justified Governor Pinchot In a speech delivered at Williamsport, last Saturday evening, Auditor General Samuel S. Lewis declared that the first year of Gifford Pinchot's

administration cost \$25,000,000 more preted the purposes of the Mayor. He than the last year of the Sproul administration, admittedly the most expensive year in the history of the State up to that time. To employ the ried for fear the government of the proceeded to accomplish the result. exact language of the Auditor General "for the year ending May 31, 1922, expenditures of the State gov-Mayor Kendrick supported his ap- were \$67,000,000. That was under the pointee for a time. But finally in his Sproul brand of government. For zeal to achieve improvements the Di- the year ending May 31, 1924, the exrector ordered a raid on one of the penditures, exclusive of road bond political clubs. That was "the last funds, were approximately \$92,000,straw that broke the camel's back." 000. That was under the Pinchot The Mayor gave out the information brand of government."

In various papers and at sundry times Governor Pinchot has boasted decent citizens to the protest ex- that he is administering the government at a saving of \$40,000 a day, But the protest will be without which in a year would amount to the avail. General Butler will be asked enormous sum of \$14,600,000. That to resign as soon as he recovers from would be a splendid achievement and an illness with which he has been af- justify some self congratulation. But Now if Governor Pinchot would flicted for several days. The four the Auditor General declares that his thousand decent citizens may continue figures are taken from the books of all the members it would be worth no purpose. A few bootleggers and a record of the fiscal affairs of the group of politicians who wax fat on State. They present the reform claims the rake off of protected crime can of Governor Pinchot in a rather sorry accomplish more on election day than light, and taken in connection with his all the clergymen and ten times the shilly-shallying in politics, now make number of decent citizens who assem- him look like a huge humbug. It looks bled in the Academy of Music on Mon- as if the machine had frightened him

> -Bainbridge Colby can't underers there being "corrupt and content- stand Senator Pepper. Senator Penyears and kept Pepper out of office.

> > -It isn't very hard to get liquor

G. O. P's Shift in Tactics.

utterly out of the race." This is the saws for them. latest order that has gone out to "the the street, who usually has access to only one—or possibly two—newspa-pers for his daily reading, may not be able to sense this fact, but it is sufficiently apparent to the average journalist, whose business it is to skim the

the course of the day's work. Sturdy defenders of the policy of keeping frigidly "cool with Coolidge" gave much prominent space recently to the dispatch from Washington announcing that "the concentration of all the Republican fire against Senator Robert M. LaFollette, independent candidate for President, and the virtual abandonment of any campaign against John W. Davis, the Democratic nominee, is explained by reports from all over the country which have been reaching here, information as to which became available today."

The fact that this "information" of such momentous importance only "besame agency that LaFollette would quote the language of the Washington dispatch itself) by reports from all over the country that have been reaching here." But the G. O. P. press agents have not profited by those re-ports in preparing their prophecies of what is likely to happen in November. Their statistics are feverish and laughable. "Republican strategy, in attacking LaFollette and not Davis," they say, "is based on the following table of electoral votes," etc. Then follows the most humorous part of the

whole story. The 249 votes—count 'em, 249!— 'practically certain for Coolidge" include, of course, Utah's and Vermont's (four each) won by Taft in 1912; but we find there, also, California (where many papers last Tuseday, when he saved "Hi" Johnson is silent), Illinois, Michigan (where Couzens will prove the tive at Emporia, Kan., may be a hero to most distant of relatives), New Jer-sey, New York and Ohio. Nothing whatever is given as "certain for Da-" most of the world, but to his home-town folks in Monessen, Pa., he is a fugitive from justice. Steinmetz is wanted in Westvis," but under the head of "Democratic claims" we find the 166 votes representing the Solid South. As a wania towns want him on other charges, matter of fact, the only absolutely william Horne, chief of police of Monessure votes are those 166—or let us say, to be conservative, 150—which metz, Chief Horne wired to Emporia posay, to be conservative, 150—which will unquestionably go to Davis. Of the rest, practically nothing is certain for any of the three candidates ex-cept Wisconsin for LaFollette and a few New England States and Penn-ried Miss Schilling, sister of the Rev. A. sylvania for Coolidge.

----It isn't very hard to get liquor now but it is mighty dangerous to drink it. So Davis is to be ignored entirely. Well, well, what a wonderful cam-paign it is!

F. Schilling, pastor of the German Luth-