

#### INK SLINGS.

-At last poor Spring street is being succored by the borough repair gang.

-Don't plant your corn until the leaves on the white oak are as large as a squirrel's ear.

-There are only two or three things we'd rather do than fish, but work isn't one of them.

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consideration.

Senatorial Campaign Will Soon Open.

Obviously Senator Reed has not

been in close touch with recent devel-

opments in Pennsylvania politics. It

is true that Governor Pinchot has not

given "definite declaration" of his am-

bition to succeed Pepper but "a wink

movement to re-elect Pepper are not

indulging in doubts on the subject.

They realize that he is a candidate for

the nomination and a very formidable

candidate at that. He has a substan-

tial organization of the official forces

of the State, a practically unanimous

support of the prohibition element and

through Vare, Grundy and Magee, of

Pittsburgh, is secretly reaching out

It may be that Senator Pepper has

a shade the better of the situation.

retary Mellon, the equally substantial

support of the big corporations, the

experience and skill of State chairman

Baker and the moral help of President

who has sufficient nerve and adroit-

ness to work both sides of the prohi-

bition question and maintain an equi-

librium. Senator Reed is wise, how-

ever, in urging an early opening of

the campaign. His candidate will

"floater."

for a share of the "wet" vote.

-Ireland will have to be hunting another St. Patrick. A snake was discovered on the ould sod a few days ago.

-If the Athletics manage to stage a real come-back Connie Mack will be the lion of the Sesqui-centennial.

-Von Hindenburg is now President of the German Republic and the late Kaiser will continue to reside at Doorn.

-The only excuse a lot of us have in stickin' 'round is to prove the wisdom of the writer of "the poor are with us always."

-May is half gone and the month of roses, brides and sweet girl graduates will be here all too soon for all of us except those who hope to be brides.

-After all, night flying won't be a new thing when it is launched over Bellefonte. Ever since we have known anything of the town there seems to have been a lot of it done.

-The International Council of Women in Washington seems to have done little but fight, but we're a poor is as good as a nod to a blind mule," one to comment on that. What did and Senator Reed's associates in the our convention of Democrats do in New York all last July?

-The colony of grey squirrels that has been established on the campus of The Pennsylvania State College certainly ought to wax and grow fat. There are always plenty of "nuts" to be found on a college campus.

-Some of these fine days some Republican leader will screw up enough courage to advise his party to walk right into the League of Nations without further attempts to discover a back door through which it can sneak | He has the powerful influence of Secin.

-No, dear girl, the announcement that the Jersey Coast is going dry doesn't mean that there will be no more bathing at Atlantic City. The ocean is still there. All the augmented dry navy is doing is taking a lot of the "soak" from it.

-There was nothing in Von Hindenburg's inaugural address as President of Germany to give much comfort or hope to the exile of Doorn. If he meant what he said he has no intention of pulling any chestnuts out of the fire for Wilhelm.

-This week the Johnston hat is formally in the judicial ring. So far



# BELLEFONTE, PA., MAY 15, 1925.

#### Booze and Politics Responsible.

The return of Senator Reed from For some reason thus far unex-Europe, where he has been on personplained the enforcement of prohibial and official business for several weeks, is likely to mark the beginning within a few days. A couple of weeks of the primary campaign for the Reago Secretary of the Treasury Mellon issued a statement on the subject and fifty years or more. But this Ampublican nomination for Senator in Congress. In fact before he had set immediately signs of tightening the bassador took a different tack from his foot on the shore of his native lines revealed themselves. Last week that of some of his predecessors. It land he expressed a purpose to urge information was given out that the will be recalled that when George coast guard had been increased and an Harvey, President Harding's ap-Senator Pepper to announce his candidacy and his belief that "his colactive movement against the rum pointee, addressed the Pilgrims he fleet anchored outside the twelve mile said we fought in the world war beleague will have the full support of the organization," to quote from one limit had been started. Now it is cause we were afr id to run away. In of the political writers who welcomed said that the rum running flotilla is his hopeless stupidity he imagined him home. He appraised the gossip preparing for a retreat and that the that line of talk would please Great of Congressman Vare's aspirations as foreign source of supply of intoxi- Britain and make him popular in Lonunimportant and reckoned Governor cants is about to close. The smug- don. With any other administration Pinchot as merely "a possibility" in the equation, hardly worth serious glers were numerous and resourceful than that of Mr. Harding it would only because the enforcers were weak have cost him his commission. and willing.

The result of last week's activities bly as anxious to please London as in the matter of enforcement prac- Harvey but adopted a different protically proves that no serious effort cess of achieving that result. He said had been previously made to prevent in substance that the government of the smuggling operations. It makes it the United States will not help Europe reasonably clear also that enforce- until Europe shows signs of helping ment of the prohibition legislation in herself, and that the government of the interior of the country would be the United States will not encourage more effective if it were more honest- the extension of credits to other govly conducted. In fact it proves con- ernments until other governments clusively that Governor Pinchot's begin to honor obligations already charge that the prohibition agents, due. Both these statements were both State and national, have been right in line with the wishes of delinquent in the performance of their duties was correct. If Secretary, to Great Britain. It was a notice to Mellon had taken the stand a year ago France, Germany and Russia, and exthat he assumed a few days since it pressed the views of Great Britain may be fairly said that the bootleg- quite as accurately as those of the gers would have been less successful United States. and their business less profitable.

The Eighteenth amendment is a part of the constitution and the Vol- Ambassador Houghton as a new destead law is on the statute books, parture in America foreign policy and whether properly or not makes little difference. The amendment to the constitution and the Volstead law Coolidge behind him. But he will may be replaced or modified the foreign policy of our government need all he has to defeat a candidate some time but not soon. In that might be commended. It is the the meantime they are both in force same policy that influenced us to reand entitled to respect. Officials upon main outside of the League of Nations whom devolves the duty of enforcing them have been recreant or else civilization billions of dollars and greater progress would have been made in their work. But the blame need an early start and a steady pull. is not on the individuals. It is on the truth is that the Coolidge administra-The Pinchot methods are peculiar and party which openly professing to tion is as much at sea with reference appealing to women voters as well as favor enforcement is secretly prevent. to foreign affairs as the Harding adthat element of the electorate, the ing enforcement. The partnership ministration was. between the Republican machine and

Nothing New Under the Sun. The new American Ambassador at the Court of St. James made a speech tion laws has been vastly improved at the Prilgrim's dinner in London, the other day, as all new American Ambassadors to that court have done for

Ambassador Houghton was proba-"those present." It was no menace

But some of our Republican contemporaries are lauding the speech of a promising indication of a higher standard of diplomatic morals. As a matter of fact it marks no change in when our going in would have saved brought peace and prosperity to the world more than five years ago. The ical.

## Law Among Nations.

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From the Philadelphia Public Ledger. The suggestion has been made that President Coolidge sponsor a third Hague conference to deal with recent developments in the field of international law. The idea will bear expounding and expansion. It is in the current of present-day world thought. With proper guidance and support, it is full of momentous possibilities.

At present the movement has progressed no further than an attempt to codify what now exists of the laws of nations. Important as are the efforts to bring into definite form the practices and customs of international politics, the idea of evolving and establishing a juridicial conception of in-ternational relations, a conception which will pass above and beyond politics, is and must be the ultimate aim

of the movement. There is nothing impossible in a break with the past which the substi-tution of something else in place of politics would involve. The concept of national sovereignty which has served the Western world since the crumbling of the feudal system constituted a break with the past. It is entirely within the bounds of possibility that a world which has seen and suffered the faults of that doctrine may be ready to turn to some broader conception.

That is a matter to which thinking men today are devoting their minds. Justice to all nations is the ideal. It cannot be obtained through political methods. This realization has brought about a sort of dull despair. It is difficult, however, for men who have followed the development of common law and equity as applied to individuals to admit that there are among nations wrongs which have no remedy.

Codification of international law, then, is not enough. The law must be evolved under broad and general principles to which all nations can agree. Political thinking must be subordinat-ed to juridical thinking. With a world tribunal based upon the broad principles of justice, the nations must be assured that, as between them, there is

no wrong without a remedy. This idea has made and is making progress. Any international confer-ence on the subject of international law should be entered with the determination to give it support and impe-tus. A constitution of the world may today seem only a dream. It can and must be made reality through a break with the past, through a substitution of the juridical concept for the polit-

## SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-Fire originating in a defective flue destroyed the residence of Mr. and Mrs Lincoln Kauffman, near Oaklind Mills, Juniata county. Their little daughter Arlene, 18 months old, was overcome by smoke in an upstairs room where she was sleeping and died before she could be removed.

-A mysterious light which has been burning on the highest peak of the Blue mountains at Lehigh Gap, overlooking Palmerton and many other places, for some time has been extinguished by the fire warden of the district. It is not known who placed the light there and who saw to it that it kept burning.

-United States Marshall Glass arrested Mrs. Anna Long, of Marion Heights, Northumberland county, on Saturday morning on a charge of misappropriating \$3500 of the Keiser postoffice funds while she was postmistress there. Commissioner Engle placed her under \$1000 bond for a hearing in Williamsport in June.

-Liquor hijackers rushed into the Allie garage at Pittsburgh, last Thursday, overpowered the watchman on duty and drove away a truck loaded with twenty-seven barrels of syrup for soda fountains. The syrup was in barrels that closely resem-bled whiskey kegs, and it is believed the bandits thought they were stealing a truckload of whiskey worth a small fortune.

-Galeton residents are delighted that the tannery plant in that village is to resume operations with between 200 and 300 hands, per announcement made after a visit Tuesday of high officials of the United States Leather company and the Elk Tanning company. The tannery has been shut down more than a year, and prior to that time was running only about 25 per cent capacity.

-The "Red Men's League," of Central Pennsylvania has voted to acquire and manage a home and hospital for the care of the aged and infirm members of the Improved Order of Red Men and the Degree of Pocahontas, with Harry Rothrock, R. E. Garrett and Roy M. Orr, of Lewistown; Joseph Rodgers and W. J. Dick, of Shamokin; D. P. Reeder, Sunbury, and M. O. Bottorf, Lock Haven, as trustees.

Miss Naomi Alexander, of Lancaster, R. F. D. No. 1, says her short skirt saved her life last Wednesday morning. She was hiking five miles to that city, where she works, and was trapped in the middle of high trestle by a street car. Her short skirt enabled her to lower herself over the side of the bridge without becoming entangled. The motorman observed her plight, stopped the trolley and helped her back.

-James Spurman, a taxicab driver, of Philadelphia, dropped 65 feet to the bottom of a drydock at the Philadelphia navy yard on Saturday and was instantly killed. Spurman had driven several naval officials to the yard and was turning his car around when the rear wheels slipped over the edge of the drydock. He leaped from the car, but missed his hold on the edge of the dock and plunged to the bottom, landing on top of the wrecked cab.

-Saturday night means little to Joseph Bender, of Middletown, Dauphin county. but is much the same as any other night. His wife testified on Friday in the Dauphin county court in her suit against him for non-support that he hadn't taken a bath for two years. "Will you live with your husband?" Judge Hargest asked. "No," replied Mrs. Bender, "he hasn't washed himself in two years." The court ordered Bender to pay his wife \$5 a week. -Miss Louise Hays, aged 58, was drowned on Sunday morning in two feet of water in the springhouse on her father's farm, one mile south of Shippensburg, Pa. She was subject to fainting spells and it is believed was overcome by an attack, falling into the water and drowning hefore help could reach her. She was found by her sister and brother, who went to search for her when she did not return after leaving the home for water about 7.30. -Pulling his 5-year-old sister Helen Louise from under the wheels of a freight train on the Pennsylvania railroad, at Washington, Pa., an Saturday, Bobby Braner.11. son of Homer Braner, narrowly escaped death himself. He lost a toe on his right foot when it was caught by a wheel. Bobby and his sister had been playing in the railroad yards. Some of the boys climbed up and over the cars. The little girl started to crawl under them. Bobby reached her just as the train started to move. -All the holdings of the Joseph T. Thropp company, including the Everett and Saxton furnaces, four coal mines, 500 coke ovens and 5,000 acres of coal lands have been sold under the direction of receiver Andrew S. Webb, of Philadelphia, for \$800,000. An equity suit a year ago against the company resulted in the appointment of a receiver and a court order for the sale. The purchaser's name was a pace. We have so many things to not announced and it is believed the property was bought in the interests of Philadelphia creditors. -Frederick Komora, a trucker, living near Zieglerville, Montgomery county, was awarded six cents damages by a jury in civil court in a suit brought to recover fram Charles Dice, a neighbor, for loss sustained through failure of crops, alleged to be due to the fact that he could not cultivate his potatoes or other truck by day for fear of being stung by a swarm of bees which the neighbor kept close to the line dividing the properties. Komora said he was obliged to plant his corn by night, while the bees were not working. -Picking up a child in front of her house when she saw him fall off a bakery what changes the Hindenburg elec- truck on which he was getting a "fender tion demonstrates have not been ride" and telling him "not to cry" while she wiped the mud from his face, Mrs. slightest warrant, either in history or Walter Mish, of Reading, was horrified to in contemporary events, for believing find that the child was her own son, Joe, that the German people chafed under 8 years old, and that he was dead. He had Germanism; there was every evidence sustained a broken neck and fractured that Germanism was the true expres- skull. Eight or nine boys had climbed on the truck. Andrew, a brother of the child, said another boy pushed Joe off the truck. hopes, predictions. The most unsub-stantial of the many fictions which the d the truck driver, Francis F. Wieland. -Work has been started on the erection of thirty new cottages at the Newton Hamilton camp grounds of the Central Pennsylvania conference of the Methodist church, the buildings to be completed by the latter part of June when the summer schedule of outdoor meetings will be opened. Dates for the various camps include: June 30 to July 7 and August 19 to August 26, Epworth League institutes: July 18 to 28, camp for girls; July 28 to August 6, boys' camp. A representative of the Boy Scout organization from national -It is said that one who says headquarters will be present on the latter nothing may be fairly safe even if he dates to participate 'in the boy's' tamp period.

as campaigning is concerned our observation is that all of the worthy gentlemen who are desirous of making votes will have to do some runnin' to keep step with the Walker in the race.

-Three years ago, Wednesday, the Centre County bank closed its doors. Since then a dozen banking institutions in Pennsylvania have closed under more discouraging outlooks, yet all but one of them are open again and well on the way to recovery of their losses.

-Senator Reed returned from a three month's trip abroad, on Monday, adopted are the appropriation of and his first public utterance was insistence that Senator Pepper announce his candidacy for election at once. Dave must have heard some of Gifford's plans while over in Europe and hopes to help Pepper frustrate them.

-Cuba is going to spend one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in celebrating the inauguration of her new President and take three days off for a holiday. Sounds big, doesn't it, but the President has little guarantee that the volatile Cubans won't try a corn cutter on his neck the moment they get sobered up from the effects of the inaugural orgie.

-Last Monday Prof. Arthur H. Holmes told the assembled Baptist ministers of Philadelphia to get rich and thereby increase their influence. The idea of a professor telling a preacher or an editor to get rich recalls an old jingle that wonderfully expresses such a fatuous fulmination:

He wrote a book on how to get rich It really was a corker, Next day I met him on the street And he "touched" me for a quarter.

-We hear doleful tales of the plight of some of the Centre countians who departed for Florida last fall in such high hopes of finding easy money. Some of them are said to be out tial equality in the assessment of of work and out of the price to get back to good old Centre with. Experience is a dear but very valuable teacher. It has never failed to show those who acquire it that there isn't they have been discriminated against such a thing as easy money except in in the assessment for tax purposes. a political job.

-Besides having learned to get all the speed out of their motorized apparatus without breaking their own or any other person's necks, the Bellefonte firemen are gaining a reputation for getting furniture out of burning homes without wrecking it worse than the flames might have done. At a Curtin street fire last Friday they carried a china closet, full of fragile dishes and glassware down two flights

of stairs to safety and only one cup was cracked. There are lots of domestics who would have done more absurd statement as that we should damage than that merely getting not join the world court until a code

enough dishes out on which to serve of international laws has been enacted. supper.

-The conclusion of the Geneva conference to control the traffic in arms and ammunition, refutes the idea that the great powers would control the work of the League of Nations.

Approval That Seems Incongruous.

The State Grange, according to the Grange News, official organ of that body, is fairly well pleased with the work of the last session of the General Assembly. Among the measures

\$100,000 to fight the Japanese beetle: the game damage act; that requiring stricter rugulation of places where milk is bought; the amendment to the fertilizer law; that imposing quarantine on the European corn borer; the act fixing the legal weight of a bushel of apples at forty-five instead of forty-eight pounds; the forestry bond issue amendment, and it is grateful for the defeat of the Ludlow bill reg-

ulating the assessment and collection of taxes. All these are meritorious. We can easily understand why the State Grange should be pleased with the enactment of the several bills enumerated by the Grange News. The bill for cattle indemnities was especially needed and that for fighting against the Japanese beetle acceptable though the appropriation ought to have been considerably greater. If it is true that farmers suffer severely from the depredations of game they ought to be reimbursed and the forestry bond issue measure will be a vast benefit to the people of today as well as to posterity. But we cannot understand why the members of the State Grange should be gratified because of the defeat of the Ludlow bill. The principal purposes of the Lud-

low bill were first to create substanproperty for taxes and second to decrease the vastly excessive cost of collecting the taxes. The farmers have justly complained for years that

Farmers, merchants, mechanics, bankers, manufacturers and everybody else have justly complained against the excessive cost of collecting taxes. It costs \$4,000,000 to collect the tax in Pennsylvania while it ought to cost less than one million. The Ludlow bill would have cut out this three million dollars of graft and it is not easy to see why farmers should rejoice at its defeat.

body. ----Senator Borah doesn't enhance his reputation for wisdom by such an

-The Governor has the last say in legislation and as might have been ex- "informal debt conversations are in pected in the circumstances he has progress" between Paris and Washfrequently spoken with an ax. ington.

the booze interests is responsible. -The arrival in Centre Hall last week of a car load of tile is material

evidence that the Reitz Bros., of Sun--In the absence of information bury, will soon begin work on their it is impossible to appraise the damcontract of building the state highage of frosts but it is a safe guess that the farmers are entitled to sympathy.

#### Senator Borah's False Idea.

In an address before the Unitarian Laymen's League, in Boston, on Monday evening, Senator Borah, of Idaho, declared that he is opposed to the International Court of Justice because under the conditions of its creation and existence, it is an instrument of the League of Nations. This is a frank acknowledgement of a fact which everybody who had given the subject thought previously understood. Senator Borah was among the most bitter of the antagonists of the League. He may not have been influenced, as Senator Lodge certainly was, by disappointed ambition and hatred of President Wilson. On the contrary his action may have been the result of a desire for isolation. But whatever it was it was intense.

The International Court of Justice ic donkey. was created by the covenant of the League of Nations as an instrument through and by which its processes might be served and enforced. The Hague treaty was without value for the reason that no provision had been made for the enforcement of its mandates and the Congress of Versailles proposed this court and equipped it with power to accomplish results. Senator Borah would strip it of this necessary force until by some process a code of international law were created. Of course, as former Attorney General Wickersham observes, this would be silly. Such a code is the League of Nations.

Senator Lodge opposed the League of Nations because President Wilson Philadelphie North American and will declined to appoint him as a delegate to the Versailles Congress. As chair- issue of the North American will apman of the Senate committee on foreign relations he imagined he was entitled to a seat in that conference. In the peace conference following the Spanish war the chairman of that the State pay roll and nobody knows committee sat. But President Wilson preferred less ambitious and more dependable men to perform the service in Versailles. Borah had no such reason for his opposition to the League. He was opposed to it because he be-

lieves in absolute isolation and he is opposed to the international court for the reason that it was created by the League and is an instrument of that

way over Nittany mountain, from the watering trough to Centre Hall. In the meantime the contractors in charge of the work over the mountain to Snow Shoe and up Bald Eagle valley are pushing their work with unusual vigor and residents along those usual vigor and residents along those thoroughfares are living in high children who never had had enough hopes that the jobs will be completed within the stipulated time, of four months.

-Four starters are now in the judicial race, W. Harrison Walker, N. B. Spangler and J. Kennedy Johnston courting the favor of the Democrats for the nomination, and Harry Keller the lone Republican aspirant. Judge Dale seems to be on the fence as to his political alignment, but it is reported that immediately following the conclusion of next week's court he intends jumping into the ring, but it is still a toss up whether he will land on the g. o. p. elephant or the Democrat-

-The U.S. weather bureau's thankful. Following the steady downpour of rain on Sunday night and Monday morning the bureau issued a warming of a "hard frost due Monday night." It didn't materialize in this section by any means and there wasn't any great amount of snap in the air saying—"One horseshoe is good luck, on Tuesday morning. All of which and a load of horseshoes is junk." on Tuesday morning. All of which leads us to hope that the danger of

frosts has passed for this season. From the Villager. -According to yesterday's Phila-

delphia Record the Public Ledger company has secured control of the merge it with the Ledger. The last pear on Monday, May 18th.

-Nearly two weeks have elapsed since Charlie Snyder was taken off how he is going to get on again.

-What the effect on Russia of the return of Trotzky to power may be it will give little encouragement to the hopes of people generally.

-The bootleggers have had prosperous business for some time but the future view of the business is not entirely enticing.

----It is gratifying to learn that

Hindering Helps.

From the Philadelphia North American. At 89 "Uncle Joe" Cannon still has a way of hitting the nail on the head with his tongue. When the reporters interviewed him on his birthday he said, "The world is moving forward so fast with new inventions for our comfort and convenience that I find it hard to keep pace."

In other words, we are approaching sugar and suddenly were given access to a whole barrel—"where it ain't sweet no more."

The wise old Illinoisan gives voice to what some of us have been wondering about. We've been trying to figure out why all these marvelous first aids to everything from toast to trouser creases haven't done more for us in the way of ease of living and added time for certain things crude methods used to crowd out. It would seem reasonable to assume that such a flood of them, covering every phase of everyday needs, would calm and soothe us, whereas the doctors are beginning to say we'll end in the insane asylum if we don't lead less hectic lives.

This thing of trying to keep up with modern conveniences and enjoy halfmiraculous comforts is getting on our nerves. Progress is setting too swift prognostications on Monday slipped a use that we haven't time to use them. cog somewhere, for which we are all There are so many places to go, and motors have made going so easy, that we just can't get to half of them. We are all entangled in inventions. We're cursed with conveniences. And comforts are so numerous that we wear ourselves out testing them. One is reminded of Elbert Hubbard's favorite

## What Hindenburg Means.

What changes will the election of Hindenburg bring in? Better remark brought in. There was never the sion of the German people themselves, of their deepest, most fervent beliefs, war brought into being was that which sprang up, under the name of "the German people," in a land whose citizens throughout the war marvelled daily how the German could be so blind to the "psychology" of others.

---- "The race is not always to the swift nor the battle to the strong," and by the same token first starters are not always winners.

doesn't saw wood.