Democratic Watchman.

INK SLINGS.

-Mr. Bryan is likely to find out that he is a bigger figure on the platform than at the bar.

-Comparatively speaking milk is cheap at present price unless the cost of "white mule" is exorbitant.

-Canada will probably prove more attractive than ever for tourists from the States because she is wet all over again.

-Maybe the sudden change in temperature last Sunday was nature's method of freezing out spring fever germs.

-It is said that Congressman Vare will stay out of the Senatorial fight if he is permitted to name the candidate for Governor. A high price.

-The more we travel around the country the more convinced we become that it is full of people who, if they can't afford anything else they can a Ford.

Judge Dale is still the Sphinx. If he would only tell what route he is Roosevelt medal gave him a place in going to take to succeed himself a lot of us would have one less thing to vate wherever the soil is suitable, and worry about.

-It is estimated that the average American spends eighteen per cent. of lantic to the Pacific. his life standing in line for something. Well if he gets what he wants it is worth the price.

- Talking about the different lights in which people see the same thing can you think of anything more contrasting than that in which the mother and her young hopeful view the year. The millions he is authorized to closing of school.

-Of course the oldest inhabitant remembers something later, but we want to go on record right here to the effect that before last Monday morning we had never seen snow on the twenty-fifth of May.

-The announcement that Harry Thaw has been seen back in his old haunts, the "white light" districts of New York, sounds to us, very much, as if Harry doesn't know where he is going, but is on the way.

-With thermometers registering ninety in the shade at two-thirty last Saturday afternoon and hugging fifty less than two hours later winter seems to be doing something more than lingering in the lap of spring.

-Of course we'll have good baseball this summer, now that the county league is all set to start, but it will be a good bit better if the fans in the home towns of the teams all turn out with the horns instead of the hammers.

-And it remained for a Penn State athlete to give the flying Finn his first defeat, from scratch, in this country. Alan Helffrich, carrying the blue and white colors, ran Paavo Nurmi off his feet in the half-mile at New York, Tuesday. -We note that Queen Mary, of England, celebrated her fifty-eighth birthday on Tuesday, and are surprised. Every time we see her photograph we are convinced that she must have been an old lady when Methusaleh was born. -Those residents of the Aleutian islands, whose letters inquiring as to burden and are struggling with it un- the inspection on the other side of the since he was able to read anything the who was elected President last fall have just reached Washington, must have made the inquiry merely out of idle curiosity. By the time they get people that "everything is lovely and sense. It may be said that no activtheir reply Cal will probably have the goose hangs high" in this glor- ity of the government has produced is delayed in its weekly visit to his came and went. -Now since England has cornered rubber and is going to make American automobile owners pay her war gebt to us why doesn't France corner the frog market and attempt the same thing. That would end this continual disputation over when payments are to begin, if at all. It's a round about way of doing it, but there seems to be no doubt of the fact that American automobile users will pay all England's war debt to America if conditions continue as they are at present. Our imports of rubber, alone, from the East Indies, an English possession, if continued at the present rate will pay all that England owes us in a very few years. -The Wyoming Democrat, published at Tunkhannock, is a fine example of a country newspaper. Usually it is for us to admire the carefulness with which it is edited and that accounts for our surprise at the faux pas it made last week, when in one editorial it attempted to convince its readanother that "Appearances are Misleading." -The girl of 1890 who happened to observers are being deceived. get home from her joy ride in a bugthe house and sneaked to bed as quiet--The fight is on in Tennessee. Prof. Scopes undertook to teach the of his neighbor, but unfortunately it industrious man is a gain to any comlower order of animals" and such a theory is contrary to the civil laws of the State that employed him. It's going to be a great fight because it's really one between the fundamentalists and the modernists. We pity Scopes, not for what the civil law of Tennessee ought to do with him, but for the hopelessness he will find in life is against Me.



Governor Pinchot's Soaring Ambition. Not Exactly the Right Remedy.

That Governor Pinchot still cherishes the hope of election to the Presidency seems certain. His proposed speaking tour of the west can be accounted for in no other way. If his aspirations ended with the Senatorial toga he would naturally limit his activities to territory within the State. But he announces a tour which will extend to the Pacific coast, during which he will deliver several speeches on conservation and prohibition. The recent presentation of the the sun which he proposes to cultihis record on the question of law enforcement is known from the At-But it is not to be inferred that consumers.

his ambition to be President will take him out of the race for Senator in Congress. While he is "working the west" for the big harvest in 1928 his lies in the Congressional action. The family and friends are laying the idea expressed in Governor Pinchot's lines for the Senatorial contest next super-power plan for State control of ed that the decision will be according spend in road construction and improvement will be utilized to the limit ship of utilities has not proved benefiin organizing a machine to promote cent or economical. But government his nomination for Senator. Reports control of corporate operations has from Harrisburg show that every day the official force is increased largely, porations held in proper restraint by

and every name added to the pay roll is an enlistment in the army of Pinchot workers. Those added to the incurring the greater evil of central-Highway Department force will be especially helpful.

allowed Mr. and Mrs. Pinchot to buy the party nomination for Governor in

1922 it registered the beginning of the end of its control of the politics of life of the future. The electrical pow-Pennsylvania. Mr. Pinchot has never | er magnates understand this fact fulbeen in sympathy with the fundamental principles of the Republican tion of menopoly. It is hardly necesparty. He is first for himself and after that, in order, for prohibition monopoly to intelligent minds. It has and conservation. But prohibition already been demonstrated many and conservation are incidentals he is times in communities within this Comalways willing to sacrifice. If he had been sincerely for either, he would long ago have left the party, for besides its partnership with the liquor hold impossible to remove. If the parinterests during the Penrose control ty which controlled the last Legisla- provide the improvements it might

At its State convention, held in Harrisburg last week, the Pennsylvania branch of the American Federation of tion the question of amending the con-Labor decided to join with an organization known as the Public Ownership League in a movement looking toward national control of electric power. Mr. Carl D. Thompson, of Chicago, head of the League, addressed the convention and declared that "if the development of power system as it is now progressing were allowed to continue the time will come when virtually all the power of the nation will be under the power of one person or group of persons." He stressed the advantage of publicly controlled power plants on account of the cheapness of the pro- people exactly like public officials. duct as well as conveniences to the

We are not able to coincide with Mr. Thompson's theory that the remselves" the increase was allowed. The edy for what seems like a real menace question now before the court is not thus involved and it may be presumto the letter of the constitution, which electrical energy would be safer as states that "no amendment or amendwell as more efficient. Public ownerments shall be submitted oftener than once in five years." As an amendment produced both results. Private cor-1925 and the proposed amendments, appropriate legislation would serve to though all meritorious, will have to go avert the danger of monopoly without ization of power in Washington. That is precisely the idea expressed in Gov-When the Republican machine ernor Pinchot's super-power enter-

prise. Electricity is certain to become the dominant element in the industrial ly and are already moving in the direcsary to point out the evil of such a monwealth. Taken in time it may be curbed, but if allowed free rein in the outset monopoly may secure a footit has always been affiliated with the ture were less friendly to monopoly and more concerned for the interests general revenues on the installment of the people Governor Pinchot's prop-

SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN **Constitutional Amendment Doomed. RULING IN CENTRE COUNTY** The question of submitting to a BANK CASE. vote of the people at the ensuing elec-

The long awaited opinion of the Sustitution permitting the issue of bonds preme court of the United States in to cover a proposed soldiers' bonus. the litigation arising out of the closreforestation and needed buildings and ing of the Centre County Bank, in this equipment at State College, was arplace, on May 13th, 1922, was handed gued before the Supreme court at down on Monday last. Harrisburg, on Monday, with an ad-

It is a very lengthy document. Made verse decision practically certain. It so because some of the points of law is true that the Supreme court has a involved were before the highest triwide range of latitude and may put bunal of the land for the first time any construction on the language of since it was created. By reading the legislation. Not long ago, it will be opinion of Mr. Justice Sanford, which remembered, the court decided that we publish in full, those who fully unjudges are not public officials, though derstand the legal phraseology in they are nominated and elected by the even the Supreme court has revised But a question of an increase of salformer interpretations of its own aries of judges was involved in that rules in consequence of the arguments, decision and upon the principle that jurisdictionally, that were presented "the Lord helps those who help themin this case.

> In fact, the litigation has made legal history in the United States because, besides presenting one question never before argued in the courts, it has been a contributory cause of the revision of the rules governing bankruptcy proceedings. As is only too well known here the litigation began on June 30, 1922, when the late John M. Shugert filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy praying the District Court of the United States that he, individually, and the Centre County Banking company, were insolvent, and desired the operations of the bankruptcy laws. Later he prayed that George R. Meek, Mary C. Harris, Florence F. Dale and Andrew Breese, alleged partners, should also be ad-judged bankrupts and their estates administered in the bankruptcy courts. Meek, Dale and Breese resisted the attempt to drag them into bankruptcy. on the ground that they were not partners in the company and in open court suggested that the prayer be granted as to Mr. Shugert, individually, and the Banking Company as an entity. This suggestion was opposed. And Judge Witmer, of the District court, on December 8, 1922, without filing an opinion, denied all the motions presented by Meek, Dale and Breese.

United States Circuit court of Ap- register near which she was sitting. The

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-Alleging alienation of his wife's affections Winfield L. Neas, of Harrisburg, on Saturday filed suit for \$10,000 damages against William Rineer.

-The Rev. Dr. H. F. King, pastor of the Grace Baptist Church, at Tyrone, on Mon-day celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday anniversary. Dr. King has been pastor of the Tyrone church for five years.

-William Ritchey, 60 years old, was in-stantly killed and his son, William Jr., aged 17, seriously injured on Saturday by a delayed explosion of dynamite on their farm near Blue Knob, Blair county. Ritchey and his son were dynamiting rocks on the farm and went to investigate a delayed blast.

-The Public Service Commission, in a detailed discussion of the complaint of the Viscose company against the refusal of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to change rates for shipment of artificial silk from Lewistown and other points to Marcus Hook, dismissed the application. The rate is held not to be unreasonable or unjust.

-The Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal and Iron company, has sold its furnaces located at DuBois and Punxsutawney to L. W. Robinson, Frank St. Clair and Frank Becker. The furnaces are idle at present but the new owners state that they will be placed in operation just as soon as the price of coke in the region justifies its being used in the manufacture of iron.

-Trustees of the Geisinger Home for Women at Danville have announced that building operations would be postponed which it is couched will discover that for three years to permit funds to accumulate from the return on the principal now in the hands of the board from the estate of Mrs. Abigail A. Geisinger, who left most of her several million dollar estate to the home and the Geisinger Memorial hospital.

-Dr. Charles F. Hastings, missing former interne at the Homeopathic hospital in Pittsburgh, was discovered at Erie on Saturday as "John Hugh," proprietor of the Erie Toy Exchange. He is heir to an estate of \$50,000 left by his mother, it is said. A country-wide search has been made for Dr. Hastings. He learned only Friday, he said, that he was being sought and Saturday revealed his identity.

-An airplane is blamed by fire towerman Bruce Henrie for a blaze that swept over seven hundred acres of valuable tim ber land on Knoc mountain, near Berwick, last Wednesday night, causing a loss of many thousands of dollars. He discovered the fire a few minutes after an airplane, flying low, had passed over the wooded section. Henrie is confident something was dropped from the plane to start the fire

-The New York Central is assessed \$40.-000, Tioga county \$25,000 and the State Highway Department required to build a bridge and relocate roads and Shippen township to pay certain costs of relocating a township road in the Public Service Commission's order abolishing the Ansonia on the grade crossing on the Roosevelt Highway. It will be a notable improvement on a much-traveled northern tier highway.

-Mrs. Homer Bishoff, of Farmington, Westmoreland county, is in a serious condition from shock and burns received on Sunday when a bolt of lightning, entering her home on a light wire, struck the fur-An appeal was then taken to the nace and followed a heating pipe to a floor entered her body through the right foot and, jumping at her hips, went through her left foot. Her legs were badly burned. The bolt felled four trees be--After having spent 14 months in buildgality of combining in the same ing a new home entirely with his own and an involuntary petition (the one he made against Harris, Meek, county, saw it burned to the ground at 1 county, saw it burned to the ground at 1 o'clock Monday morning. The house was were argued in the District court at the a three-story, eight-room frame building and was valued at \$7,500. He carried no insurance. Knapp had completed his work on Saturday and this week expected to tion of Judge Witmer of the District move in his household effects. The cause of the fire was undetermined. -William Stewart, negro garage worker, Supreme court was then petitioned to died last Thursday in the Chester hospital grant a writ of certiorari-which from injuries sustained when he was merely means an opportunity to pre- changing a tire at an automobile school in sent a case to that august body. The that city. He had his attention diverted writ was granted. The very fact that after applying a compressed air hose to the tire. The tire burst and the steel rim merit in the case. The Supreme court must protect its time from being tak-en up with cases of ne apparent wait en up with cases of no apparent merit | ternal hemorrhages. He did not regain -When a pot of tar being heated on the of certiorari presented to it are stove, boiled over on Saturday morning and ignited their clothing, Mrs. Lena Alberico, 23 years old, and her 3 year old daughter, Philoment, of New Castle, were so badly burned that they died a few hours later in Shenango Valley hospital. Marco Alberico, 60 years old, father of Matt, Mrs. Alberico's husband, was so badly burned that he is not expected to live. A second ed two new problems into the situa- daughter of the dead woman, Mary, also was burned but will probably recover. -The dedication exercises of the Memorhow could the Court adjudicate be- ial bridge over the Juniata river in Lewistown, built by the county of Mifflin at a one set of them present. Accordingly cost of \$275,000, will be held Memorial day, it filed an opinion in which those in- May 30, at 2 p. m., under the auspices of terested were given thirty days in the commissioners of Mifflin county. Unitwhich to substitute some one for Mr. ed Spanish war veterans and the American Legion. With a very appropriate program the magnificent bridge will be dedicated to ters of administration on his estate the memory of men who made the supreme and asked that he be substituted. At sacrifice for their country during the the same time three creditors of the Spanish-American war and the world war. -While neighbors looked on, under the impression that club members were removing their belongings, thieves loaded a truck with the contents of the Chippewa Canoe club building, at Morrisville, Bucks county, last Friday, and drove away. Charles Muschert, secretary, discovered the theft when he went to get his minute records. Silver trophies, furniture, rugs and personal effects were taken, valued at \$700. The truck was not large enough to carry the piano and this was the only arorders of both the District court and ticle left. The truck bore New Jersey li--Disappointment met the efforts of expert "shooters" to get oil or gas in paying quantities from the well drilled some months ago on the W. T. Thorpe farm, near Grampian, Clearfield county, when they set off a charge of 60 quarts of nitroglycerine in the well Friday morning. This well produced an estimated flow of 350,000 feet proceedings which were before us at an earlier stage in Meek V. Centre clined until the output became negligible. clined until the output became negligible. stood that a new chaplain has already Banking Company, 264 U. S. 499. The well had been drilled to a depth of 2,701 feet and it was hoped the explosion of 2,701 feet and it was hoped the explosion of -Senator Pepper is touring the yet been announced. Rev. Krahnke ruptcy file by the respondents, nitroglycerine at this depth would release to the purpose of putting spice anticipates returning to his old home shugert in a Federal District Court in the gas or oil that was believed to underlie the Thorpe acres.

-Senator Butler, of Massachusetts, is undertaking to "correct the unfortunate condition growing out of

the muddling of government." That Philadelphia, has thrown his hat into sounds like a threat to quit the Repub- the ring without waiting for Vare's lican party. to Bill.

Heavy Burden of the Captains.

The great captains of industry in this country have assumed a heavy der adverse conditions. Their en- sea of prospective emigrants to this gagement is to hold up the drooping country would seem like injecting in- friends. He says that to him, today, wings of prosperity and persuade the to the problem an element of common ious land of opportunity. They take as many blunders, hardships and inturns at the work and each gilds or justices as the question of immigraotherwise embellishes the picture tion. It has been a source of contropainted by the other, already radiant versy and disputation in Congress for that few names he sees figuring in the in gorgeous colors. First Charlie many years and in most instances local news of today are familiar to Schwab took the platform and assur- changes in the law have been for the ed the public that "prosperity is just worse. The last important change around the corner" and ready to enter the arena. Then Eugene Grace, ly to be most desirable and in favor the place of those who did things in president of the Bethlehem Steel, of those less so, because immigration Centre county in the years that are

the good times are coming. Last week it was Judge Gary's here.

turn. The Judge is a lawyer and jurist as well as a magnate and knows better than the others how to "con- retary of Labor has been fairly effi- is just as interesting as ever to those vince a man against his will." He admitted that conditions were less favorable than might be desirable but hardships, because it has divided fam- reading. added that the cloud temporarily ob- ilies, deported honest and industrious scuring the sun has a silver lining and aliens on the required educational

road presidents, who usually carry a tors and anarchists because a badly share of the burden, are silent now purposed schooling had provided them because they are trying to get help with the necessary education. It crefrom the government under the pre- ated hardships, because foreigners join the chorus in the songs of the vested their last dollars in defraying factory manner. The most credulous and despairing. The framers of the

With a Republican President, a Re- sadly mistaken. gy as late as ten o'clock, slipped into publican majority in both branches of The plan which is now to be adoptmediately start telling the world industry before the election. But the our immigration system will be refusabout it by arousing the whole neigh- prosperity is of a peculiar type be- ed the necessary vises. That will be have had a fellow with an automobile. low. Of course every right minded bly in some cases a loss to this coun-

who is revelling in the joys of prosperity, and the closest scrutiny fails to reveal the individual. But the captains of industry are not discouraged. They will promise "till the cows come home.'

-If Amundsen doesn't reach the "pole" a good man may be lost, and if after he realizes that he is not for Me he does somebody will have to tell us what has been gained.

osition would have fared better.

-Register of Wills Campbell, of created. approval and something may happen

Promising Change in Immigration.

The inauguration of a system for discriminated against emigrants likeurged his employees to be patient for from southern Europe began much

It may be said that the administration of the law under the present Seccient and as nearly as possible just. so far away, for it encourages its con-But it has been the cause of many will soon turn inside out. The rail- test and admitted criminals, conspiralaw may have meant well but were

Congress and Republican policies in ed, and will be inaugurated at the ly as though she had committed an force in every direction anything else ports of departure of the Irish Free awful offense against propriety. Many than the most abundant industrial State, will make the examination of the 1925 girls roll up in front of prosperity is anomalous in view of there instead of on this side and such the "hang out" at two a. m. and im- the promises made by the captains of as fail to meet the requirements of borhood to witness the fact that they cause it benefits only the other fel- a disappointment to them and possiman is glad to hear of the prosperity try, for the addition of an honest and pupils that we are descended "from a isn't his neighbor but the other fellow munity, but it will not entail the loss of the transit expense nor the time in going and coming. The officials charged with the experiment represent the State, the Treasury and the Labor Departments of the government, and if as chaplain at the Rockview instituthe test is satisfactory it will be ex- tion, effective July 1st. It is undertended generally.

State for the purpose of putting spice

peals based largely on the question of The surprising thing about it is that the boy murderer of Pottsville, seems to enjoy the sensation he has

A Pretty Compliment.

was unlawfully submitted and approv-

ed in 1923 a strict interpretation

would forbid another submission in

over until 1928. This will entail a

hardship on the soldiers and State

It is quite likely that if the sol-

diers' bonus amendment had been

eliminated no objection would have

been raised against the others. The

dominant political machine is not will-

ing to take the bonus question out of

politics yet and the submission of the

amendment on that subject would

have taken it out. Now the allegiance

of the credulous among the veterans

can be held to the Republican party

by promises just as the Civil war vet-

erans were held for years in the same

way. There was no great interest in

the prosperity of State College either,

for if the party had been inclined to

College.

plan.

Writing from Rudd, Iowa, D. M. Kerlin tells us that he has reached his seventy-third year and throughout the long span of life that has stretched "Watchman" and he have been it is just as interesting as it ever was and that he feels utterly lost when it home. Mr. Kerlin is a former Centre coun-

tian, gone from the old home so long him. It is the same with most of the "Watchman's" older readers, because new generations have come in to take gone. Some are descendants of old later and there were fewer of them families, but more are of names not familiar here forty years ago. It is

a pleasure, indeed, under such circumstances, to know that the "Watchman" stant effort to make itself worth

-The big revolving beacon light erected on Nittany mountain as a guide to night flyers in the air-mail service was tested out last Friday night. It was turned on about ten o'clock and kept in commission almost tense of poor business and can't even who had been enticed to emigrate in- two hours. So powerful is the light that travelers on the Nittany valley ers that "Appearances Count" and in steel makers. But the work is never- the expense of the venture and upon road claim that when the rays were theless progressing in a fairly satis- arrival here were turned back destitute directly upon them there was light sufficient to read a newspaper. The field lights and beacon light on the hangar have been completed and were tested out last night. In fact all the beacon lights between New York and Bellefonte, twenty-eight in number, have been completed and the first test night flight will probably be made tonight between Hadley field and Belle-

ing.

fonte. While the night airmail service will not be put into effect until July first trial flights will be made all through June in order to give the pilots a chance to become familiar with the whole matter back to where it "the blazed trail" and also night land-

----The board of trustees of the western penitentiary have accepted ion filed, follows:the resignation of Rev. C. J. Krahnke, anticipates returning to his old home in Detroit, Mich.

jurisdiction-Rule 8-Sec. 5 of the Supreme court-so comprehensively discussed by Mr. Justice Sanford in the fore hitting the light wire. decree published below, and on the leprayer a voluntary (Mr. Shugert's) hands, working at nights and on holidays, Dale and Breese.) These questions March term, 1923. Its opinion was later handed down sustaining the accourt, but the opinion discussed none of the real questions involved. The it was gave evidence that there was and you will notice that only a small consciousness after the accident. percentage of the petitions for writs granted.

The case has been hanging there ever since. Several arguments were made on the matter and an opinion might have been expected a bit sooner had it not been for the death of Mr. Shugert. That sad eventuality injecttion. First, did his death abate (can-

cel) the whole proceeding. Second, tween litigants when there was only Shugert. His son then took out let-Banking Company presented a petition that they be admitted as parties to the proceeding. The latter were denied the right forthwith, for the reason that they had come in too late. The petition for the substitution of Mr. Shugert's son you will find in the final opinion has been granted.

This, in brief, is a history of all the legal proceedings that have led up to the present decree which reverses the the Circuit court of Appeals and sets cense tags.

started three years and more ago. The opinion of Mr. Justice Sanford, which was concurred in by the entire

bench, there was no dissenting opin-

These three cases involve the same (Continued on page 4, Col. 2).

into the campaign.