

INK SLINGS.

-The Kane prophet who predicted a killing frost between the 15th and 28th of this month didn't say anything that the public cared specially to hear. -Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt thinks that war can be talked to death. Sure it could, if those who want to make war could only be induced to sit still and listen to Carrie talk.

-Anthrax, as we understand it, is a hoof and mouth disease of cattle that can only be exterminated by killing the infected animals. Flappers have a form of the same malady. All dance. That's a hoof and mouth disease. Should we kill them?

-As we look at the splendid results of the street making efforts of borough manager Seibert, on the two squares of Spring, from Bishop to Howard, we feel repaid for the space used in urging council to do something. For perfect surfacing there isn't any section in town quite its equal.

-Federal government reports indicate a decrease in coal mine fatalities during the first half of 1925 and pat somebody on the back for greater efficiency in seeing that safety devices are employed. We're from Missouri. Why shouldn't fatalities be less when less than half of the mines in the country were in operation over that period.

-It is with more than passing regret that we note the death of William A. Moore, of North Tonawanda, N. Y. For a few years he lived in Bellefonte. While here he was superintendent of the Nittany Iron Co., and made friendships that were very dear. Certainly ours was. And it all grew out of the sunshine in "Bill's" nature. He didn't try to be, he just naturally was "the man worth while is the man with a smile."

-After thirty years of concentration on politics we have come to the conclusion that Republicans are smarter politicians than Democrats They get in control and let everything go to the demnition bowwows until it is time for another election. Then they step on the gas, their pampered industries fatten up the pay envelopes and good times-if he votes for the Grand Old Party-are dangled in the eyes of the voter just when he enters the polls -and he usually falls for it.

-Tuesday was the last day for filing petitions of candidates to be named on the primary ballots. Nobody can get on the primary ticket, olies while only about thirty per cent.



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Benefits for the Rich.

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The plutocrats who are directing a lot of them want to do is eat and the policies of the administration at week the only place of power in Phil-Washington are devoting their mental adelphia which had hitherto refused energies at present to studies of tax to bow to Boss Vare has surrendered reduction. Some time ago President unconditionally, and that political consomething like \$300,000,000 would be boss of the metropolis of Pennsylvamade during the coming session of nia. Upon a survey of the field, after that something in the nature of tax councils and abandoned by all the rerelief must be achieved. After a la- maining members of the Penrose problem they have finally arrived at signs of impending defeat at the prithe conclusion that a twenty per cent. | mary election, he took himself out of reduction of tax on big incomes and the running. one per cent. on small incomes will

satisfy a credulous public.

scheme shows, most of the benefit of at an auspicious time. this operation will inure to the receivers of big incomes. The \$50,000 fellow would save \$10,000 and the \$3,000 fellow stands to save about \$5.

But there is to be no cut in the tariff tax rates which really impose the burdens on the people. The \$5 tax which the \$3,000 income tax payer hands over goes into the treasury but ever expectations of resistance were seventy per cent. of the \$100 tariff tax he pays on clothing, shoes and other necessaries of life go into the pockets of political favorites and the treasuries of corporations and monopa chance to write their names high in the grindstone. The tariff tax accom- dog to his vomit." If they get the plishes that vicious purpose, and so long as excessive tariff taxes are im-

Philadelphia Surrenders to Vare.

As predicted in these columns last

For eighteen years Mr. Rotan has been the head of that department of considering the question of adjusting has to deal with the criminal element, the Belgium debt, Secretary of the and he knows exactly the temper of Treasury Mellon, chairman of the the community. "Corrupt and con-Senate Finance committee, Smoot and tented," those who control the elecfloor leader Tilson, of the House, vis- tions prefer the ignominy of vice to ited the President at his father's the virtue of independence. Mr. Rohome in Vermont and decided to en- tan had held out against the efforts act legislation reducing the tax on in- and influence of Vare to prostitute his comes of \$12,000 and over to twenty office for many years. But when all per cent and on incomes under \$12,- the sub-bosses deserted him and he 000 one per cent. That would fix a knew the people were in sympathy rate of one per cent. on incomes of with vice rather than virtue, he capitless than \$4,000 and work a total de- ulated. One of the servile tools of crease of income tax to the extent of the "big boss" will take his place and \$300,000,000. As analysis of this the criminals will enjoy easy picking

In withdrawing from the contest Mr. Rotan intimated that the better element of the community might possibly organize a movement of rescue. But it created only a vague hope, for the lawyers of the city almost unanthe new order of things, and whatusual majority and the Vare domination of the city will be complete. The work which Penrose accomplished

Courageous if Not a Wise Plan.

The wisdom or expediency of Governor Pinchot's plan of campaign for the Senatorial seat now occupied by George Wharton Pepper may be questioned, but his courage is unmistaka-Coolidge announced that a cut of spirator stands now as the absolute ble. In a statement given to the press, at Wilkes-Barre, on completion of the first week of his "trip around Congress. Six years after the demo-bilization of an army of four million Rotan withdrew as a candidate for State government," he declared that men and seven years after the close district attorney. He had been dou- he will fight the Republican machine of the greatest war in history an idea seems to have penetrated their skulls absence, betrayed by the president of his administration." The Republican machine of Pennsylvania is a powerful force. Entrenched in prejudice, borious struggle of months with the force, and recognizing the certain strengthened by crime and supported by patronage and monopoly it enjoys vast advantages in conflict with any antagonist, however well equipped.

"The truth cannot be told about what the politicians have cost the peo-The other day, under pretense of the government of Philadelphia which ple of Pennsylvania," Governor Pinchot declared, "without using strong" chot declared, "without using strong language. When politics get into health work, prison work, hospital work and the work of institutions, it. is to check German imports and preis paid for not only in money but in human life. * * * When the politicians run the State for their own benefit instead of the benefit of the people, the penalty is death. Death and injury to working people who would have been saved by mine and factory inspection, death to people who could have been saved by non-political health work. Death and injury to many others, and on every side a heavy toll of crime, misfortune and needless expenses."

This is a grave indictment against a body of men in public life in Pennsylvania, but not an unjust one. Every charge embodied in the statement of the Governor is known to be true by imously expressed their approval of all observing citizens. But the power of patronage and "the cohesive force of public plunder" has been successanticipated quickly vanished. The fully employed in support of these in-Vare candidate will be elected by the iquities. Yet the citadel of crime and vice which has thus been built up is not invulnerable. The majority of the people of Pennsylvania are lawwhen he defeated Vare for Mayor sev- abiding and justice-loving men and body can get on the primary ticket, but any one who wants to get off can do so under the law. This being so, four of our candidates for Judge have to the mose of the wage earner on to the mose of the wage earner on to the mose of the train to the machine. The prosperity of the mose of the train to the machine. The prosperity of the mose of the train to the machine. The prosperity of the machine. If the Governor were more sincere the war therein would be greatly diminhope of this result would be strength- ished if there were low tariffs or none ened.

Tariff and Peace.

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From the Philadelphia Record. Although Chancellor Luther asked. and received, authority to make a considerable increase in customs duties. he is evidently no protectionist. He does not regard a high tariff as a means of making his country prosper-ous, but only as a defensive measure against commercial enemies who were recently military enemies, and are now very heavy creditors. He impos-es high duties to check imports when German exports are already checked by the increased tariffs of all the Al-lied and Associated powers to which Germany must pay vast sums of mon-

If the Allies and the United States had not erected tariff barriers against German exports Germany could pay its indemnity either in goods directly, or indirectly through the excess of its exports over its imports and the creation of a favorable balance of trade to offset Germany's liabilities under vent the shipment abroad of German money.

But the Chancellor recognizes that if there were no tariff wars all relations between nations would be much

better than they are. It is a fond delusion of our protec-tionists that free trade, or even an ap-proximation to it, is beneficial to one party to the agreement and ruinous to the other. Yet this is refuted by the existence of the United States, and hardly less by the German Zollverein before the more than the states of before the war. Americans may not be familiar with that, but they know their own country well enough. The absence of tariff barriers between the States is not a benefit solely to the older Northeastern States, where in-dustries were first established, but to all the States, North, South, East and West. Large manufacturing interests have grown up in the West and South. although they had no protection against the New England and Middle States. The German Zollverein bene-

fitted all its members. Our protectionists regard it as necessary to maintain a tariff against Canada, and yet most of them would

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYST NE.

-With fourteen bullet wounds his body, Joseph Bruno alias Joseph Vhite, aged 26 years, is in a Philadelp a hospital presumed to be the victim of a gang feud. He refuses to tel' police who he

-During a quarrel with her usband in their home in Philadelphia, ast Friday night, Mrs. Elizabeth Egner, aged 47 years, committed suicide in a horrible manner. She first threw a bucket of turpentine over her clothing and then applied a match to her garments.

-Charles Robb, 41 years old, of Altoona, who had been a patient in the Altoona hospital for the past eight weeks was renoved to his home on Thursday. Robb suffered second degree burns of the entire body when his engine went over the embankment near the Kittanning Point.

-The plague of mosquitoes which recently overwhelmed Altoona and suburban districts has been followed by a mild plague of fleas. It was necessary to suspend worship in two churches until the mosquitoes could be eliminated and citizens are now seeking a means to drive the fleas out of their homes.

-Scott Parker, aged 76 years, who resided alone in Loganton, died at the Lock Haven hospital last Wednesday night from injuries sustained when he fell from the rear of a truck on which he was riding in Loganton, Wednesday afternoon. He sus-tained a fractured skull. The coroner, after an investigation, announced that an inquest would not be necessary.

-In a last desperate effort to collect \$8,000 delinquent taxes due from women, Captain A. G. Kostenbauder, tax collector of Plymouth borough, has made an offer of \$50 to any who will make the first arrest. So far all have declined. The tax collector faces the loss of his position by his inability to collect from the women and with this amount charged up against him, he is unable to obtain a bondsman.

-Two bandits held up the clerk of the Metropolitan hotel in Pittsburgh, on Saturday, robbed the office of \$75 in cash and considerable loot and escaped after threatening to kill the clerk if he made an outcry. Marie Chak, 18 years old, was arrested in a restaurant shortly after the robbery charged with being an accomplice. This the girl denied, saying she was robbed of \$17 by two men who came to her room

-Mrs. George Nesbit, of Lewisburg, was catapulted from her seat on a trolley car when two cars on the Lewisburg, Milton and Watsontown line met in collision between Harveys Run and Milton. The crash was due to wet rails, the motorman of one car jumping when he saw the brakes would not hold, while the motorman of the other trolley stuck to his post. Mrs. Nesbit was found to be only shocked and bruised.

-Pleading not guilty Harry D. Swank, former councilman of Danville and now candidate for sheriff of Montour county, on Thursday waived a hearing on a charge of embezzling \$1,242 from the Danville and Mahoning poor district, of which he was treasurer, and was held under \$2,000 bail, for trial at court. The poor board made a

the history of politics by withdrawing and letting the fifth blurt his eternal gratitude from the folds of the ju- posed the rich will grow richer and dicial ermine. They might as well do the poor poorer until the people of the it, because only one can be elected. United States are divided into million- mored intention of becoming a can-But which one? Ah! if that were only aires and paupers. known four would be glad to withdraw and save expenses.

-Our friend Willis Reed Bierly, lawyer, Democrat, philosopher and publisher, writes from his office in Harrisburg that we are wrong, all wrong, in our occasional criticism of Governor Pinchot. Possibly we are. It will take more than the facile pen of the sage of Rebersburg to convince us of our misjudgment, however. We think Governor Pinchot is a Boulanger, a bombast of the most aggravated type. Any Democrat, even one of mediocre type, would have done more by way of "cleaning up the mess at Harrisburg" and had no thought of where it was going to get him.

has put in words a thought many have gress, and that party advantage will been entertaining for years. He is of not be relinquished willingly. But if the opinion that if all the statutes on our books were enforced half the population would be in jail and the other half engaged in putting them there." It sounds extravagant, doesn't it? Yet the Judge has scarcely gone far enough. We should say that if every have "inaugurated and carried out a real infraction of laws was detected and punished three-quarters of our population would be in trouble. To- protection. Under the provisions of day we could appear before a Justice people in Bellefonte, who know that known. The reason given for this cars, to set the whole town in an up- of wages paid in the production of the roar. And some of them act and spiel fabircs is proportionately high and like the Volstead law is the only one that the advantage gained by the opergoing to acquire respect for law when After securing the high tax rate the they see no attention paid to infrac-

teresting political scrap in Centre tages of high taxes. county this fall. We refer to the contest for District Attorney. John G. Arthur Dale, Republican, running on the Democratic ticket with Prohibitwo years ago because the Prohibi- years there has been no time in which for Dale because we had no candidate ditions tariff taxation above the reveup the ticket. It will be interesting consumers for the benefit of the emto watch the Prohibs this fall. If they go back to Love it will be proof, positive, of their insincerity, because they will be admitting that, whereas, between two Republicans they preferred Dale, yet when it comes to a choice between a Democrat and a Republican-that's a horse of another color with most of them.

-Vare will not be satisfied until he can make all the judges of Philadelphia serve as messengers.

Hopeful Sign of the Times.

The statement that William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, will ask Congress to "withdraw the tariff protection afforded textile manufacturers who have inaugurated and carried out a policy of wage reductions," is an encouraging Pennsylvania. For years every agensign of the times. Of course it will prove a futile gesture so long as the Republican majority continues. Tariff protection is the fountain from which flows the stream of gold that the expense of the public. It is the -Judge Fuller, of Luzerne county, buys majorities for the party in Conthe wage earners of the country will join the president of the great labor organization in a genuine effort to withdraw tariff protection, it will succeed.

The textile manufacturers who policy of wage reductions" are the out of mind a suspicion that he is not most favored beneficiaries of tariff altogether sincere in his efforts. That the present law the tariff tax on tex- the greater but on collateral evils. and make information against enough tile manufactures is higher than ever Profligacy in administration, perverboys under eighteen are driving their exorbitant tax rate was that the rate priation of funds and other evils to that is really intended to be obeyed. ation of the tariff tax accrued to the all crimes in a "government of the How in the world are bootleggers employees rather than the employers. people, for the people and by the peoemployers reduced the wages of em- all his public speeches uttered a word tions of all but those that affect them. ployees practically to the level of -Up to this moment we had lost those received by European opera- He has not made a single appeal for sight of what ought to be a very in- tives, thus absorbing all the advan- real ballot reform.

It may be possible that in the period of the infancy of textile manufac-Love Jr., who was defeated by Judge tures in this country a tariff tax that under the laws of Pennsylvania equivalent to the difference in the cost it would be impossible to expend a of production in this country and Eu- quarter of a million dollars in a can- talk about anthracite coal now. His tion endorsement, has announced and rope was justified and the three to vass for nomination for the office of experiment of two years ago must William Groh Runkle, Democrat, is five per cent. levy of a hundred years out for the position. Mr. Love lost ago was reasonable. But within fifty tionists viewed him with alarm and the cost of production was greater ly computed he might never have atjoined with the Democrats, who voted here than abroad, and upon those conof our own party and chose him to fill nue level was sheer robbery of the burg. He was importuned during the ploying producers. Protective tariff taxation has never benefitted labor in fraud in subsequent elections but failany industry. It has been a constant | ed to respond. For this reason there source of expense to employees in adding to the price of necessaries.

> -Now we know who the candidates are, but "many are called and in machine headquarters if he contin- men or women can estimate its value statement that he was "a plunger" few are chosen."

worst they deserve it.

-Evidently former Governor John K. Tener is serious in his rudidate again. The State is being flooded with a pamphlet exploiting the achievements of his former administration and that looks mighty much in a day. We are not familiar with like there is "a nigger in the wood pile."

Pinchot's Sincerity Questioned.

It would be unjust to withhold from Governor Gifford Pinchot generous praise for the effort he is making to Jim Thorpe from the day "Pop" Wardiscredit the corrupt political machine | ner discovered him in the Carlisle Inwhich is preying upon the people of dian school to the moment of this cy of good has been prostituted and every medium of evil employed by the managers of this "criminal conspirajoin in the work the Governor has undertaken and give such moral and material aid in the movement as is found | hadn't done a day's work until they available. Political corruption is a had laid from a thousand to fifteen disease as harmful to public welfare hundred. And it wasn't so long ago as any malignant epidemic. It is more destructive than any plague.

But while according just praise to is to say, he makes his drive not on sion of charity to base uses, misapprowhich he has made eloquent and earnest objection are reprehensible. But debauching elections is the greatest of ple," and Governor Pinchot has not in against carrying elections by fraud.

There may be a reason for his failure to attack the greatest of all crimes against the people. He must know Governor, and he ought to have a sus- have been disappointing. picion that if the election of 1922 had been honestly conducted and accuratetained the distinction of a residence in the Executive Mansion at Harris-Legislative sessions of 1923 and 1925 to urge legislation that would prevent are doubts in many minds now.

-Judge McDevitt, of Philadelphia, is likely to "get himself disliked" ues to make hard lines for criminals.

-A correspondent of the Harris-"Shorty" Mumma, of Mount Gretna, is rather positive in his belief that an Indian couldn't lay a thousand brick what Indians can do by way of laying brick. We have seen them pitch their

do most everything else that Indians are supposed to have been good for before the government undertook to uplift them. And we have watched writing. If Jim, given a three week's course in any vocational school, hours then all we know about the cy" to serve their selfish purposes at brick laying business is bunk. Twenty years ago the brick layer who civic duty of every man and woman to didn't lay a thousand in eight hours wasn't. He was probably a "tender" for real brick layers thought they

they were not averaging more than a the Governor it is impossible to drive thousand a day. The contractor, himself, usually laid up fifteen hundred before he knocked off.

> -According to a schedule sent out last week by State Treasurer Samuel Lewis, Centre county was entitled to a refund on gasoline tax, on August 1st of \$6,870.82. This represents the county's share of the tax of two cents per gallon paid by buyers of gasoline for the first six months of 1925. There are twenty-seven counties in the State that have paid in less and will get less back than Centre.

> > -The chances are that even if

the public highways were twice as wide the crazy drivers would make travel as hazardous as it is now.

-Governor Pinchot refuses to

-The first of September will soon be here and the politicians are likely to get busy in settling the coal dispute any time now.

-Pinchot "packs" in the interest of the public and Coolidge "packs" in the interest of the Sugar trust. There is a difference.

-Swimming the English channel to the world:

at all to impede natural traffic between them. And as the United States has flourished exceedingly, in all its parts, because there are no tarburg Telegraph, who signed himself iff barriers in a continental domain, so the United States and all the rest of the world would flourish better than ever if they constituted one commercial union or Zollverein. Nothing would do so much to avert the danger of war and promote prosperity as well as peace as the abandonment of protepees, rope cattle, bust bronchos and tection, which is, like slavery, a relic of barbarism.

A Real Issue.

From the Harrisburg Telegraph. If either Governor Pinchot or Senator Pepper are looking for a real, live issue for the coming Senatorial cam-paign they can find one all readycouldn't lay a thousand brick in eight price of gasoline in Pennsylvania, as compared with the price in neighbor-

> world, pays more for its gas than most of its neighbors.

There may be a very good reason for this, but it has never been explained to the wondering consumer.

To be sure, we in Pennsylvania pay that a Bellefonte building contractor a gasoline tax, which is not added to discharged his entire crew because the price in some other States, but even so Maryland, New Jersey, Virginia and many other States are paying 2 to 4 cents less than is demanded in this State, which, with the tax, makes the price 4 to 6 cents higher here than in more favored States.

The man who patronizes the filling station cannot understand this. He only knows that it costs more to run a car on the good roads of Pennsylvania, which has done about everything any State could do to encourage the use of motor vehicles, than it does in neighboring Commonwealths with less extensive road-building programs.

Somebody is going to make a lot of political capital one of these days leading a movement to find out just why this condition exists, and why, if

-Governor Pinchot persists in the statement that he has greatly reduced the expenses of the State government. But the books fail to show any decrease in the disbursements.

last year appears to have gone Democratic, though Brookhart holds the certificate and if he promises to obey

-Governor Pinchot accuses the party machine of every crime on the calendar except that of election offense against good government.

----It was cruel to intimate that Uncle Joe Cannon played poker with may be a great achievement, but few his colleagues in the House and the was positively outrageous.

-Miss Ethel Hoffer sustained injuries to her left hand when her arm was caught under her sedan as it overturned near the Mann ax factory above Mill Hall, Monday morning. Mrs. Hickson, another occupant of the car also was injured about the left arm and hand, while the other two occupants of the car, Mrs. Medell and Miss Pearl Reed, escaped with minor bruises. The car was badly damaged. All the ladies are residents of Altoona.

-Physicians, nurses and orderlies in the Uniontown hospital were thrown into a panic on Monday night when a man rushed into the institution with a large knife and demanded that a doctor be surrendered to him. "I want to cut up a doctor like they used to cut me up," declared the man wielding his long-bladed weapon. Before he had an opportunity to indulge in any amateur surgery, the police were called and he was arrested.

-Held up by three masked men when an auto in which they were riding became stalled on a lonely road several miles west of Shamokin, late Sunday night, Joseph Swatt, aged 20 years, and Miss Viing States. Pennsylvania, home of some of the Diackjacked by the bandits and robbed. One hundred and sixty dollars in cash was taken from the young man, while the girl was robbed of a diamond ring and gold watch valued at \$200. The highwaymen fled following the robbery, leaving their victims in a semi-conscious condition.

-Martin Tabor, 32 year old convict serving a five year term for burglary escaped from the Lancaster county prison at two o'clock on Sunday morning. After crawling through the window of his cell shortly after guards had made their inspection, Tabor dropped seven feet to a roof, from which he reached a pole. Three heavily charged electric wires are strung from the pole above the wall of the jail yard to another pole outside the prison enclosure. Walking on the one wire and grasping the others for balance, Tabor made his way outside the yard and then dropped to the ground, winning his gamble with possible electrocution.

-Dragged from their bed at their home, in Uniontown, by chief detective Charles Mallick, Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Gold late on Saturday filed a suit for \$20,000 damages against the detective. It is said that there is not a good and sufficient rea-son for it, relief is not granted. cells, kept all night and discharged the next day. When detective Mallick entered the bedroom, Gold said he told the policeman that the woman was his wife and that the officer replied: "I'm from Missouri; you've got to show me." Gold alleges that, notwithstanding the fact that he showed Mallick a marriage license dated August 14, 1914, they were compelled -----The Iowa Senatorial election of to dress and were taken to the police station.

-Fire of incendiary origin last Thursday night destroyed the new county home of the Indiana county Ku Klux Klan, with a loss estimated at between \$30,000 and \$35,000. The building was recently completed and was to have been taken over by the Klan August 27, with an elaborate ceremonial. The loss is partially covered by frauds, which is probably the greatest insurance. The fire broke out about 9:30 o'clock, when a loud explosion was heard. Flames immediately burst from the building and within a few minutes the entire structure was ablaze and fanned by a

strong wind, the fire was beyond control when Indiana firemen arrived. It is thought that the place was saturated with kerosene and a bomb exploded.

the bosses may hold the seat.