Democratic Hatchman.

INK SLINGS.

-Good morning, Judge Walker! -From all sources, Democratic, Republican and Prohibition, Dale had 3084 votes and Keller, from Republican sources alone, 3462.

-The primary returns prove the prediction that the "Watchman" made last fall that twelve hundred votes would make the nominee of the Democratic party for Judge.

-On the Democratic ticket Spangler carried 18 precincts in the county, Johnston carried 9 and Dale 6, making 33 of the 64 precincts. Walker carried 9 precincts over the combined votes of all opponents.

-We're never satisfied. A week ago we were praying that sufficient rain might fall to soften the ground so that fall seeding might be completed. Now we are praying that the rain will stop long enough to get it done.

-As for Centre county. Its voters of Republican proclivities seem to have given notice to Rebecca Naomi, of Bellefonte; Dr. Foster, of State College, and Governor Pinchot that a horse can be led to the water but it can't be forced to drink.

-And to think! After years of nursing the delusion that we are the writer of a column without a parallel in country journalism in the United States—it isn't a delusion, its a fact-it remained for the Philipsburg Ledger to call us a "scribe."

—The outstanding gratification we and if he is able to compromise the the city and the State. It asserts a have in the primaries of Tuesday was differences between the coal producers leadership which self-respecting men the reaction of the common sense of to the eleventh hour attempt of spite and bigotry to keep a really worthwhile man out of council.

-Anyway, Judge Dale gave the organization that was against him scare enough to make it work harder than it has ever done before to convince the Republicans of Centre county that it is anything more than a swivel chair combination of pipe-smokers.

-Dale defeated Keller in the Republican balloting in only thirteen of the sixty-four precincts in the county. He carried the Third ward of Philipsburg, Snow Shoe borough, north and west Boggs, Burnside, North Curtin, North Gregg, West Harris, Howard township, Penn, West Rush, West Snow Shoe and Taylor.

-Brookville lost a thousand dollars on Chautauqua this year. DuBois, Clarion and Punxsy all failed so miserably that they didn't feel justified in signing up for next year. Why? Because the tea-hounds are running wild, spreading saxaphobia everywhere and saxaphobia gets to the heels faster than Chautauqua can get to the head.

-The impressive manner in which Herby Auman ran away with Orian Kline for the Republican nomination for tax collector in Bellefonte has the leaders of their party guessing. Orthe men who make and unmake as- ebrated fight on the Senate rules. piring Republicans so his failure has caused a lot of surprise. It needn't. We'll explain it. Herby advertised his wares in the "Watchman."

-Mrs. White, of Knebworth, Herts, England, claims the grand long distance championship among umbrella owners. She has had one in her possession for sixty-one years. The ancient White parachute is probably kin of some of the two-quart lids that our Masonic friends don when they turn out with a twig of spruce in their hands and a "so moted be" on their lips for a departed Sir Knight.

-Wouldn't there be an awful holfor the Prohibition party. As a matter of fact neither the Prohibitionists nor the Socialists are legally entitled afford satisfaction. to put the county to such an expense. there are-cast enough ballots at the last general election to entitle them who owes his election to a Centre county office to the votes on the Prohibition ticket recorded for him and ing wet ones who have held office because they got their names on it. Why should the county be asked to whose president didn't even register as a Prohibitionist. There was only ward. It was for Keller and Rebecca public credulity instead of popular the Sproul administration the Gover-Naomi didn't hand that one in.

-Senator Geo. Wharton Pepper has finally made good on his threat to "spit in the eye of a bull dog." Made ington as well as the public in gen- dy ticket will be accepted by the magood in a way that must command the respect of the voters of Pennsylvania no matter what may have been their opinion of him prior to his statement of last Thursday. His declaration Happily the machine has been recov- called in the interest of Mr. Fisher and that his candidacy to succeed himself in the upper House of Congress must stand on its own legs might have been regarded as a mere political gesture, had it not been accompanied with a fearless endorsement of Judge Renshaw for re-election to the bench in the experienced witness and all things bedfellows" and if Pepper can forget Philadelphia county. Judge Renshaw considered has the least selfish inter- and forgive it ought to be easy for is a Democrat, an appointee of Governor Pinchot and an official whose scalp Bill Vare, the political boss of sional inquiry. Philadelphia, has determined to have dangling at his belt. We are at a loss ership in Pennsylvania to the coura- chance in offering the olive branch. geous announcement that Senator Pepper has inaugurated his candidacy of a big man.



STATE RIGHTS AND FEDERAL UNION.

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Pinchot Making Progress.

Governor Pinchot seems to think

yond conjecture. Governor Pinchot has been scoring to the enemy." strong in promoting his political amand miners on terms fairly satisfac- and women may follow. It is a clarour beloved West ward of Bellefonte tory to the public he will easily ap- ion call to the better element of the pear as the outstanding figure in the party to unite on a basis of character sults for a time, but the reaction was level of the pie counter. It has been hurtful rather than helpful. He will complained that the Senator ought to probably be more considerate of pub- have gone farther and declared allecite operators and miners may forge cumstances. His attitude on the main body else and himself.

In any event, recent events have shown that the Governor is a shrewd per's declaration was timely as well and resourceful politician. He may as daring. Governor Pinchot's tour of not be able to accomplish as much the State made a considerable impreswith his money as he did in 1922 when sion on the public mind and his arhe fooled the most experienced ma- raignment of the Vare machine struck nipulators in his party by releasing a a popular chord. It wouldn't have golden stream at the psychological been a hard task to link Senator Pepmoment. But he is in a better posi- per with that odious conspiracy. His tion now and is more strongly en- vote for Newberry, his attitude on the trenched. He has the coal miners League of Nations and the world exposed. safely anchored, and if he succeeds in court, and his silence on the iniquiattaching the operators and enlisting ties of the Harding administration ina considerable part of the public he dicated an indifference to political imwill not only acquire the Senatorial morality that fitted in with the Vare toga but get a lien on the White organization. If Vare had been forced House. He is "working both ends by conditions to support Pepper against the middle" in a surprisingly against Pinchot, as might have hapsuccessful manner now.

-Rising to a question of inquiry it is pertinent to ask what has become

The Air Service Scandal.

Rear Admiral Moffett is justified in his somewhat heated defense of the charges against the administration of county were to refuse to print ballots charges are grave and appeal strong- dy, of Bucks county, the political

Admiral Moffett declares that the of his associates at the picnic. Neither one of these parties-if such charges are false and were inspired by selfish ambition and malice. A prises. Mr. Grundy's candidate for vast majority of the flying men, in Governor is John S. Fisher, who was to a ticket. Time and again have we and out of the service, believe that Banking Commissioner in the Sproul called attention to their inconsistency. they are true and were inspired by pa- administration. His candidate for We can't recall a single dry candidate triotic impulses. The author of the Senator in Congress is George Wharcharges, Colonel Mitchell, is an air ton Pepper whom Governor Sproul man of recognized ability and con- appointed Senator. His candidate for siderable achievement. He was de- Secretary of Internal Affairs is Fred we can name a dozen or more soak- moted from the rank of Brigadier J. Godcharles, who was Deputy Secre-General to that of Colonel for telling tary of the Commonwealth in the a Congressional committee what he Sproul administration. For Lieutenbelieved to be true, and could hardly ant Governor he has kidnapped an pay for printing a ticket for a party expect to acquire personal advantage outsider in the person of Charles J. by repeating the acts which caused Easterly whose only distinction is his demotion. In view of these plain that he carried the Berks-Lehigh Disone Prohibition vote cast in the North facts Admiral Moffett is appealing to trict for Congress last year. During

reason. When Colonel Mitchell wrote his enemies. last complaint the officials in Washeral believed that the crew of the chine but thus far no protest has been PN-9 was lost and the conditions at- entered against its adoption. As a tending the apparent tragedy favored matter of fact there is a wide spread Admiral Moffett expresses a different have been a severe tax to accept Pepview of the cause of the disaster to per for Grundy has resented the party the Shenandoah than that entertained favors to the Senator from the beest in the matter. Meantime the pub- Grundy to reciprocate. But there are lic will await the report of a Congres- other elements to consider. There are

-After what Senator Pepper did to recall a parallel in Republican lead- to Bill Vare Grundy took a long the vast difference between the Dem-

-Now they are talking of muffs | muzzle the Democrats. with. He has appeared in the stature for the bare knees of the flappers. What's the use.

Senator Pepper's Courageous Act.

Senator Pepper revealed a courathat there is still good political fish- geous spirit in declaring his purpose entertained Mr. Inglis, chairman of nouncing his candidacy for re-election. the operator's scale committee, at his That was literally defying the boss home near Milford and presumably and figuratively "spitting in the eye "listened to his tale of woe." On Mon- of a bull dog." Congressman Vare day Mr. Lewis, president of the Unit- had just been given absolute control ed Mine Workers, "told his troubles" over the Republican party of Philato the Governor. Mean time the Gov- delphia. He had just acquired the ernor tried to "throw a scare" into right to name the candidates of the both sides of the controversy by start- party and direct the action of the voting a movement to stimulate the effort ers. His highest aspiration was to to increase the market for bituminous control the patronage of the Municicoal as a substitute for anthracite in pal court and his "pet aversion" was the manufacturing sections of the Judge Renshaw. He might have foreast. The result of these endeavors given the liberty of announcement remain to be seen, though as yet be- without permission but he never can pressed his hopes of carrying the or will condone the "aid and comfort

Yet Senator Pepper's action ought bitions during the last month. His to have a helpful influence upon the tour of the State has yielded divi- morale of the city. It sets a splendid dends far in excess of expectations, example to the independent voters of equation. His settlement of the strike rather than corrupt bargain and raise two years ago promised splendid re- the standard of official life above the lic interests this time, and by holding giance to other independent candithe bituminous club over the anthra- dates. That is hardly just in the cirout an agreement that will help every- question conveys his independence of the boss.

It may be added that Senator Peppened, the inference would have been

the Senatorial fight.

The Glen Campbell Forum.

"The mountain labored and brought the bureau of aeronautics, for he is forth a mouse." The long heralded the head of the bureau and largely re- and much discussed gathering of sponsible for its operation. President Pennsylvania Republican politicians Coolidge is equally justified in direct- at Glen Campbell, former State Sening an investigation of the charges ator Clark's "sylvan retreat" in Inrecently preferred by Colonel Mitch- diana county has come and gone. It fett nor the action of the President a forum at which party troubles would will satisfy the people. Public denials be ironed out and a ticket chosen for are easily made and bureaucratic in- the campaign of next year. It resultly to popular sentiment. Only a thor- "panhandler" of the Penrose regime ough investigation by Congress will had agreed upon a group of candidates which he offered for the consideration

But at that it developed some surnor and Grundy were irreconcilable

There is no evidence that the Grunthe view expressed in the complaint. impression that the conference was by Colonel Mitchell. But Mitchell is ginning. But "politics makes strange Vare and Pinchot to be reckoned with.

> -The primary election revealed ocrats of New York and the Republicans of Philadelphia. No boss can

-Subscribe for the "Watchman."

Wisconsin Disappoints Coolidge.

The result of the primary election in Wisconsin, on Tuesday, carried liting in the coal pool. On Saturday he to support Judge Renshaw and an- tle comfort to President Coolidge. It not only guarantees an opponent of the administration in the Senate in the immediate future while a friend was expected in the seat but indicates continued opposition to the administration policies in the middle west. It was hoped in administration circles that the people of that section had become reconciled. The vote of the adjoining States plainly indicated that. But the vote for young Mr. LaFollette, on Tuesday, tells a different

President Coolidge had freely ex-State for the Senatorial candidate of his choice and had cheerfully given all his moral and material help toward that result. Before the vote it was confidently predicted that Mr. LaFollette would run far behind the administration candidate. As a matter of fact he has been nominated as the Republican candidate for the office after a frank and emphatic declaration of opposition to the policies of the Republican party as interpreted by the President and the Republican organization of the country. It would be difficult to imagine a more direct partv challenge.

Other evidences of continued, if not increasing, opposition to the administration in the west have been appearing at intervals. An organized movement against Secretary of the Interior Work has been in progress for some time. A group of Senators have been demanding his removal and it is believed were gaining ground before the Wisconsin primary. Now that the administration weakness in that State has been revealed the chances are the Colorado member of the Cabinet will be sacrificed. But it will do no good. The false pretense has been exposed. hoped that they will not advance very rapidly, for if they do they will start another speculative movement in farm

-It will be recalled that when "Ma" Ferguson was elected Governor of Texas it was a mournful year for Democracy everywhere but in the "Lone Star" State. So hard was it to find star" State. So hard was it to find victories to crow over that the only rooster the "Watchman" had the collapse is followed by recovery. Agriculture is now well advancated on the upward road. At prices nerve to drag out of the coop was the based upon the value of the products And it crowed better Ma. -The Governor will begin the than it knew. "Ma" has made good rie has long been recognized as one of Vice President Dawes and his cel- third leg of his State-wide tour to- in Texas. She so managed the penimorrow. He may take advantage of tentiary farms of her State that this the opportunity to declare himself on year, alone, a deficit of \$600,000 has been wiped out and a surplus of \$1,-200,000 created. The secret of the accomplishment will probably be found in the fact that she thought it more constructive for the Texas convict to get acquainted with plow handles than those of tea wagons.

-Governor Pinchot is scheduled to visit Centre county on October 5th, ostensibly on his tour of inspection of ell, for he is head of the service. But was advertised to be a conference of State institutions, but in reality to neither the defense of Admiral Mof- reconciliation. It was expected to be strengthen his fences for the Senatorial fight next year, but Senator Geo. Wharton Pepper stole a march on that the surest way to bring both opthe forester from Milford by coming ler if the Commissioners of Centre vestigations are not reliable. The ed in an announcement that Joe Grun- into this section last Saturday in com- to make the widest possible use of vid J. Reed. The two gentlemen were guests of prominent Philipsburg and Clearfield Republicans at the Joswin game preserve in Clearfield county. and miners have on the public throat. Among the guests at the gathering was Charles M. Schwab, which would indicate that he is a Pepper backer.

-Following a month's spell of usually hard here on Saturday only a few drops fell out at the aviation field, less than four miles away. Sunday's Centre county, so that the prolonged drought, general everywhere, has only been partially relieved in some sec-

-No reasoning person expected Judge Renshaw to win at the primary but if the people of Philadelphia are not corrupt he will have a chance at the general election.

-Senator Pepper threatens to assume the leadership of the party in ered since and the crew saved. But that Grundy has offered the other Pennsylvania which suggests the adthe charges have not been refuted. names as a lure for suckers. It must age "there's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip."

> -Probably Joe Grundy will become the party boss. The Glen Campbell conference has given him a good start in the contest for that job.

his hat into the ring he will probably use the sombrero presented to him by the Governor of Texas.

the ratification of the Sproul administration.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-Walter G. Shelly, of Hazleton, aged 20 years, who was to have left on Sunday for State College to start his junior year, died quite suddenly Saturday night from a stroke of apoplexy. He was a son of War-ren A. Shelly, former city councilman.

-The Coulter Shoe company of Halifax, Pa., will locate a factory for the manufacture of babies' shoes at Lewistown, in the near future. S. M. Andres, president of the company, has notified the Chamber of Commerce of the acceptance of the site offered for the plant. It will employ 25 to 30 men regularly.

-Robbers early last Saturday morning entered the home of George Bollinger, on the Blairsville-Derry road in Indiana county, chloroformed members of the household, and escaped after stealing \$50 from a bureau and several locks of gray hair which they clipped from Mrs. Bollinger's Commercial news regarding agrihead, as she lay sleeping.

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Agricultural Improvement.

crop in Canada, and the mortgages given in 1918 for the purchase of farm

lands at war boom prices matured in 1923. The suffering was very great,

but most of it was due to the specula-

tive purchase of farm lands at prices

gages remained unchanged. It was a

had speculated in farm lands.

This Minneapolis dispatch says that thousands of former farmers who had drifted into the cities during the de-

pression are now ready to go back to

the country. There is more activity in farm land sales in the northwest

than at any time since 1921, and prices

have advanced somewhat. It is to be

sperately hard time for men who

From the Philadelphia Record.

cultural affairs is far more impressive than the stories carried to swamp-scott by Republican politicians who want to believe in any cheerful news, and wish to please the President by telling it to him. However, the cheer-ful news has foundation and we con--Captain Wilbur Day and Lou Lawrence, of Pittsburgh, escaped injury on Sunday evening when their exhibition flying machine crashed into a fence as it was about to take off from a landing field at Somerset. The plane was badly wrecked. ful news has foundation, and we are very glad of it. We are anxious that the farmers should have as much The two men were starting for home after spending the week-end there

-Charged with robbing the poor boxes prosperity as they can get under a protective tariff which enhances the in several Allentown Catholic churches, Michael Kalock, aged 21 years, of Hazleprice of almost everything the farmer buys and of very little that he sells. ton, was taken to Allentown on Saturday, A dispatch from Minneapolis speaks of combined efforts of banks to find customers for the farm lands that they have been obliged to take over in from the Norristown jail, where he served a year for a like offense. Kalock was committed to prison and will be tried in October. The robberies were committed early last year. the last few years. This dispatch speaks of the collapse in 1921; but the most acute point in the farm situation

Mistaking a rustle in the bushes for a hawk, which she said had been killing her came two years later. The price of wheat got under a dollar in Chicago, partly because of the unprecedented chickens, Mrs. Bertha Baxter, of near Honeybrook, Lancaster county, fired a shot last Thursday and fatally wounded George Koffroth, 60 years of age, a neighbor. He was taken to the Lancaster General hospital riddled with buckshot and died shortly after being admitted.

-The death on Sunday morning of Louise McWhorter, one year old, at the jubased upon war prices for grain and hogs. No one could have believed that the war would continue indefinitely, or that war prices for produce would last long after the war. But all over the country was horizon for the country was been stored. venile court detention home in Pittsburgh, was due to prolonged crying, morgue officials said. The child had cried continuously since taken to the home last Thursday by her mother, who said she had been

last long after the war. But all over the country men were buying farm lands on the assumption that prices were to remain high. They bought on mortgage at war prices, the prices of farm products dropped, and the principal and interest of the mortof her home at Vernon, Allegheny county, on Friday afternoon by an unidentified man, who escaped into a woods while being pursued by the victim's husband. A man who had attempted to obtain lodging in the McGinnis home a number of times. is suspected.

-Thoubarh Taylor, of Juniata Terrace, Lewistown, has been held in \$500 bail to answer a charge of having failed to stop and give assistance after causing an automobile accident. Taylor was arrested by state patrolman J. M. Snyder, after he had crowded a coupe off the road near Belleville on Wednesday night and injured Mildred Briggs, of Blandsburg, and Jean McCoy, of Lewistown.

-Frank J. Powell, of Sharon, arrested early Thursday morning in Pittsburgh, while carrying an automatic pistol, 25 cartridges, a flashlight and a screwdriver, was held for court on Saturday following a hearing in Penn avenue police court. He was charged with carrying concealed weapons. Powell said his wife with \$700 belonging to him, and that he was out looking for her.

-The Freihofer Baking company, of Philadelphia, on Saturday morning completed a deal which resulted in their taking over the plant of the Altoona Baking company, one of the largest of its kind in Central Pennsylvania. The price is said to apparent action from any source to have been in excess of \$200,000. Work will be started immediately in enlarging and improving the plant to increase production. The battery of ovens will be enlarged and a cake and pastry department will

> -James Donato, 28 years of age, and John Luigi, 24 years old, Italian shoemakers of Mahanov City, were asphyxiated by gas last Friday afternoon and Mrs. Mary Dagregorio and two daughters, Helen and Gladys, with whom they boarded, were almost overcome. A gas leak in the cellar where a pipe had rotted away was the cause of the trouble. Mrs. Dagregorio was just able to get out on the porch and summon neighbors before she collapsed. The men were dead when the neighbors ar-

> -Accompanied by a furious wind which for a time assumed cyclone-like proportions, a heavy electrical storm hit Scranton late on Sunday, paralyzing all traffic, demolishing a number of small buildings and leaving property damage estimated at \$100,000 in its wake. Only one serious casualty was reported. George Hunter, of Lancaster, was riding on a roller coaster at an amusement center when a tree blew down, striking him across the face. He sustained a fractured nose and other injuries to his face. Others received slight injuries.

> -Personal property valued at \$200,000 and real estate valued at \$10,000 are disposed of by the will of Mrs. Rachel H. Hepburn, of Jersey Shore, which has been filed for probate. Included among the provisions of the will are bequests of public and denominational nature which total \$20,000. Chief among these bequests is one of \$10,000 to provide for the erection of a chapel with modern, fully equipped receiving vaults in the Jersey Shore cemetery. In the event of such a chapel not being erected within a period of two years, the amount of the bequest reverts to the residuary estate. The land upon which the chapel is to be built is to be donated by the cemetery company.

-The mystery surrounding the sudden Mayor Hague, of Jersey City, who disapearance of county treasurer R. V. is also Democratic National commit- Hissong, of Huntingdon, three months ago was cleared up Saturday night with his arrest in Pittsburgh by deputy sheriff Abraham Corbin. Hissong was arrested on a bench warrant issued on his default to pay alimony to his wife and in absenting himself from a court action while under bail. Hissong, then living apart from his wife, it was charged at the special court hearing, had been devoting his attention to another woman with whom finally, it is alleged, he eloped. For two months the couple reand asked for funds to pay her way home.

The farmers are digging themselves out of the hole of 1921-'23. Some have paid off their debts. The aggregate values of crops have been advancing

during the last three or four years. A boom is always followed by a collapse, there is a better den and for land than for four years. The banks are able to

"thaw" their "frozen assets." Stranglehold on the Public.

From the Easton Free Press. The anthracite coal strike is nearing the close of its third week with no bring it to an end. Of course no one expected a labor battle of such magnitude to end within such a brief per-Regarding the merits of the contro- be added.

versy the people generally have no decided opinions. They have come to view these periodical disputes, involving suspension of hard coal mining, as inevitable incidents of the practically monopolistic control of the anthracite industry and are gradually realizing erators and miners to their senses is pany with his colleague, Senator Da- other fuels equally available and in most ways satisfactory.

By submitting to a little inconven-

ience the people can loosen the stranglehold that the anthracite operators

And We Used to Unscramble Them. From the Pittsburgh Post

The news that President Coolidge expects to place before Congress next dry weather Bellefonte had hard thun-der showers both Saturday and Sun-roads of the United States into a seday, but the rain was entirely local in ries of consolidations, after six or sevcharacter. In fact while it rained un- en years, is a further reminder of the apparent right-about-face of public sentiment from the days when the chief demand was to unscramble the rain was also confined to portions of While there still is the same insistcommon carriers as far as possible. ence as of old against combination in restraint of trade, it has dawned that the Interstate Commerce Commission has a regulatory grip upon the railroads that seems unlikely to leave much leeway for the charging of exorbitant rates. Then there has been the lesson learned from the fact that the railroads in the main have had more or less of a struggle for existence instead of rolling in wealth.

Electing Democratic Governors Nothing Unusual.

From the Philadelphia Record.

teeman from New Jersey, has return- with no knowledge of his whereabouts, ed from abroad with renewed confidence that J. Harry Moore, the Demo-cratic candidate for Governor, will be elected. Stranger things than that have hapened in politics. New Jersey has been electing Democratic Gover-nors pretty steadily ever since Wilson won the State in 1910.

self from a court action while under bail.

Mrs. Hissong, a helpless paralytic, had ob-tained a court decree for her maintenance. -When Governor Pinchot throws

-The Miller Construction company and J. M. Hutchinson, contractors on the state highway through Bald -The Glen Campbell conference Eagle valley, had gangs of men at mained in the vicinity of Sunbury, until appears to have been a convention for work on Sunday pushing the work so ten days ago, when Hissong's companion that the road can be completed before notified her friends she had been deserted, cold weather comes.