

INK SLINGS.

-Next Tuesday ground hog day will be here and then we'll know to what further extent we need be interested in the coal strike.

-Possibly Amundsen is laying the foundation for a claim that he discovered the North Pole. He says that neither Peary nor Cook has proved the achievement.

-Former Judge Renshaw is now Registration Commissioner in Philadelphia and may be able to make the Vare gang wish it hadn't cheated him out of his seat on the bench.

The extra session has spent the only measure on the calendar approaching completion is a resolution providing for payment of the salar-

-The present General Assembly hasn't improved during the time since adjournment last Spring. It began the extra session by blundering just as the regular session was begun a

it a double-distilled first degree of- he runs. fense in the eyes of the world.

-By the way, have you noticed how rarely you hear of the once popular oyster supper since dealers started selling the bivalves by the piece. It is strange, too, for no one ever expects to get any oysters in the church festival soup.

-Owen Johnson, author and prospective candidate for a niche in the Hall of Fame of the muchly-married, is to assume the yoke for the fifth time next Monday. Johnson once day knows anything about domesticity know what he wrote about, but we don't think he does.

-Prof. MacMillan, authority on dynamic astronomy, has figured it out that Judgment day will come when Earth is swallowed up by Jupiter an eventuality that most astromoners are agreed will come to pass. Of course it is always wise to have your house in order, but there is no immediate need of doing any extra dusting because of Dr. MacMillan's recent statement because he admits that it will be another million billion years before Jupe gets us.

-The Adams county Republican woman's club has called off a banquet to which it had invited Mrs. Pinchot to be the guest of honor and principal to be the guest of ho speaker. The Gettysburg ladies were and instead of a big deficit the treas- the time the late Senator Quay held afraid Cornelia might say something to the detriment of Senator Pepper plus. and to the advantage of Gifford. What if she should?—They could take it or that is a crime against the people of let alone, as their personal preference Pennsylvania, make the most of it." motivates. Such a public affront to the first lady of the State indicates that the daughters of the dames of getful of its traditional courtesy.

-This seems to be the open season for experimental government by new mayors. Bosses of towns all over the State have cornered the new broom market and are starting cleaning up Bill had a heart.

-Dr. Louise Stanley, who is head of the newly formed bureau of home economics of the federal Department of Agriculture, told a woman's club in Philadelphia, last Friday morning, that "country people are just beginning to learn the value of preserving their fruits and vegetables." Just what "country people" did Dr. Stanley refer to. Certainly they must be of a kind specially conjured up by the Department Dr. Stanley exploits. The "country people" we are familiar with preserved and pickled and jammed and jell'd and canned everything they could get their hands on long before the Department of Agriculture went to triffing with kitchen cabinets. And they knew their value as food stuffs else they wouldn't have been doing them.

-Since the first of the year the in making some of its mail connections. This has been due to the re- that both the murdered measures had weeks of effort to inject reason into tirement of one of the most depend- faults. But the action of the commit- the heads of the bitter-enders, they able and conscientious operatives conceivable in any industry. It is only after such a one is gone that a real appraisal of what they have contributed in the way of service can be made. It will be a long time, if ever, until we find a replacement for the link that is broken in our organization and until that is measurably accomplished we don't look for smooth sailing. The only readers who might note that their papers arrive a bit more irregularly than has been the custom are those residing in points west. All

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Futile Charges Against Pinchot.

The attempt to divert popular favor from Governor Pinchot by charging more than half its allotted life and calls to mind the adage; "A drowning tion of the State Banking Department. man will clutch at a straw." The distressed and demoralized Pepper or- district in which the Carnegie Trust ganization realizes that something company was located, and the hunof Vare as an opponent. He is so But the question will never be pressed. completely immersed in a sea of popu- A motion to refer it to the Committee lar condemnation as to be harmless on Banking was made but it was not against any candidate. The other insisted on for the reason that it had -That Philadelphia chiropractor are not menacing. But the Governor friendly committee and "pickled." The might not have premeditated the is a potential figure, constantly grow- Republican leaders are not prepared murder of the Dietrick girl, but the ing in public estimation, and the sup- for any investigation that might rerevolting atrocity of the crime makes porters of Pepper know he will win if veal full particulars of the Bell bank

> the last three years were inherited many years. from his predecessor.

dom, properly increased the appropri- Tuesday, Governor Pinchot disclosed ations for educational purposes by one of the several reasons why the and women of Pennsylvania have ar- will be pigeonholed in the committee. rived at the conclusion that the best He said that Former State Treasurer use of public money is in educating Gephart and former State Treasurer the boys and girls who will be the Snyder had borrowed large sums of men and women of the future. Gov- money from banks in which State ernor Pinchot wisely made up his funds were deposited, and intimated mind at the beginning of his adminis- that the favors to the banks were tration that honor and honesty alike given in consideration of accommoda-Both these wise purposes have been may be startling to many but will not taxation upon imports make it pracury of the State shows a large sur- the office and grew rich.

Governor Pinchot may well say: "If

the Republican machine leaders but tection to commodities consumed by the battle-field town are either a it is no longer a secret that they are them is not beneficial. "scared stiff" over the waning strength of Senator Pepper.

## Chairman Baker Woke Up.

Republican State chairman Baker must have been "asleep at the switch" with a vengeance. All of the innova- when the House committee on Mines tions are well intentioned, most of and Mining stifled the Pinchot anthrathem ought to be heartily supported cite bills last week. The day before of mind," have zealously guarded the and only a very few that we have the session opened Mr. Baker personnoticed would better be abandoned. ally assured the Governor that his pro-Over in Clearfield "Bill" Hagerty is posed legislation would receive courthe new mayor and with character- teous consideration. This expressed a hasty, ill-digested and unwise legisistic Hagertyan versatility Bill has fair frame of mind without obligation thunk up a new one. Instead of fining of any kind. But one of the first offidrunks five-twenty-five or boarding cial acts of the Legislature was to drunks five-twenty-five or boarding cial acts of the Legislature was to them in the borough lockup for five secretly kill two of the most importions have seldom arisen in the Senate days he is sentencing them to five ant measures on the administration nights attendance at Salvation Army programme. Without giving oppor- fore resorted to, in order to prevent meetings. And we always thought tunity for defense one of the bills a complete stoppage of business in the was indefinitely postponed and an- body. other ordered to be reported with a negative recommendation.

ble reasons for offering the legislation resolution. and a persuasive way of presenting

Watchman has been having difficulty ascribed to weakness of the measures take a step that might be construed eral cuts that under other conditions he proposed. It may be admitted as a sanction of the gag. But after would have been level full of snow. tee was based on political expediency. were finally forced to consent to the The Republican machine has set out cloture. On Friday last the cloture drifts aside. to destroy the Governor's influence motion was presented in the hope that with the people. The managers of the the meager minority would yield to organization imagine that the Pinchot | the inevitable but this expectation was good helps the Governor in his aspira- seven against the motion and the peotions it is a just reward for fidelity ple will approve the action. to the people of the State.

other mails are being made as usual committee on Mines and Mining en- under President Harding, the more we protected from the drifting snows, and we hope to continue making them. joyed their "feast of crow."

An Investigation of That Kind.

On Monday evening Representative Evans, of Allegheny county, introhim with profligacy in administration duced a resolution for an investiga-Mr. Evans represents the Assembly must be done to keep the Governor out dreds of swindled depositors in that of the contest. They have no fear institution are sensitive on the subject. names casually mentioned now and not been printed. Ultimately it will then as possible or probable aspirants be referred to that or some other failures.

The plain plan of campaign of the If an investigation of the Banking Pepper supporters is to force or Department of the State could be held frighten Pinchot out of the fight. The to operations of the department durhope of achieving this result lies in ing the Pinchot administration the turning popular favor against him. machine members of the Legislature With this purpose in view they are would have fallen over themselves in now charging that considerably more their zeal to rush it through. But money has been spent during the three they understand, as everybody else years of the Pinchot administration knows, that opening up that subject than was disbursed during the four to searching inquiry would reveal a years of his predecessor's term. This condition of affairs that would send a is unquestionably true. The records lot of the party leaders to State prisin the office of the Auditor General on. The Banking Commissioner is not show it and anybody is welcome to entirely responsible for the iniquities wrote that "if the average girl of to- examine the books. But paying just that are easily traceable to the misuse debts is neither extravagance nor pro- of funds of the State. Those higher it is a mere accident." He ought to fligacy. And a considerable part of up have the regulation of such things the debts which have been paid within and the evil has been in existence for

> In a communication to the House The General Assembly, in its wis- committee on Banks and Banking, on several millions of dollars. The men resolution of Representative Evans demands the payment of debts overdue. tions to the officials. This information from them, and the excessive tariff

-The western farmers are coming to understand that a tariff law that promises protection on commodities never imported and produced -We are not in the confidence of by them and actually gives high pro-

## Cloture in the Senate.

Most thoughtful students of the problems of government will deeply regret that it became necessary on Monday last to invoke the cloture in the United States Senate. The rules of the Senate, almost since "time out right of free speech and full debate. In years past it has frequently served the useful purpose of preventing lation. In so large a body as the House of Representatives, such reto justify an expedient only once be-

On December 17 Senator Swanson, of Virginia, offered a resolution to The shock served the purpose of consider the question of entrance into awakening the State chairman from the World Court. It was well underhis nap, however, and presumably stood that there would be strong opthrough his influence an order was position to the measure and ample oppromptly issued from headquarters to portunity was given to all so inclined the committee to stultify itself by re- to express their dissent. Before the versal. It is not expected that this debate had gone on long it became change in plans of the machine will known that the opposition was feeble result in approval of the bills or and largely spiteful. Led by Senator giving them a place on the calendar. Borah, of Idaho, and Senator Reed, of But it is welcomed by fair-minded Missouri, all the devices of parliamenobservers as a concession to decency tary practice were invoked to prevent and by the Governor as giving him a a vote. Finally on a minor question a chance to deliver his argument, not test vote was obtained which revealed cuts that would be impossible. particularly to the Legislature but to the fact that less than a score of the the public. The Governor has plausi- Senators were opposed to the pending

Appeal after appeal was made to this handful of irreconcilables to per-The principal reason for the dis- mit a vote but without effect. The courtesy to the Governor is not to be Democratic Senators were reluctant to the fencing had done to protect sevactions. Possibly that is true, but eight to twenty-six. Thirty-one what of it? If promoting the public Democratic Senators voted for and

> -The more we learn about Harry wonder how he kept out of jail.

Cordell Hull Pressing His Point.

Cordell Hull, of Tennessee, seems From tha Philadelphia Record. determined to "smoke out" the administration on its tariff policy. In a statement issued the other day he declares that "the true interests of industry, labor, capital and agriculture are wrapped in moderate and liberal economic policies in lieu of the hamstringing, stagnating and trade war tariff of the Coolidge administration." In support of this idea he cites the futile efforts to check the rubber and coffee conspiracies which have been looting American consumers of those necessaries during the past several months. Mr. Herbert Hoover has been proposing reprisals against corporations responsible and governments sheltering them, but no redress has been found.

The rubber trust has been exacting exorbitant tribute from the consumers of that commodity for months, increasing the price from seventeen cents a pound to more than a dollar. The Coolidge solution of this problem is to raise the price of some essential American product used in Great Britain in equal ratio. The leading coffee growers in Brazil some time ago applied in New York for a loan and indicated a willingness to sell coffee at a moderate price to pay the obligation. The favor was refused with the assent of the administration and the Brazilian coffee growers turned to London where they were promptly accommodated. But the consumers of the products in this country are mulct-

The prosperity of the country depends upon the markets of the products. It doesn't matter a great deal whether crops are abundant or meagre if there be no market to dispose of the surplus when abundant. There can be no market for our products abroad if our trade policies make it impossible to exchange with the producers abroad. In the last public utterance of his life the late President McKin-ley declared we cannot expect others to buy from us if we refuse to buy that yields little revenue and imposes heavy taxes on the consumer is not only unjust but immoral.

-Maybe former Governor Tener has terrorized all the other aspirants for the Republican nomination for Governor.

# Snow Fences Prove Useful.

When the trucks of the Highway Department were hauling great rolls of a cheap looking fencing material out of here last fall many were the conjectures as to what use it was to be put to. Some knew, but many didn't.

Those traveling the highways during the fore part of the week had frequent opportunity to see what the fencing was for. While the snow of last Thursday night was only four inches deep it was very light and the high winds of Friday and Saturday caused it to drift in many places. Especially was this the case along the Buffalo Run road, where the drifts were of sufficient depth on Saturday morning to stall at least one milk truck. Geo. Stevenson had to shovel his way out of two snow banks. He might not have been able to get through at all had it not been that snow fences at the known worst drifting sections of the road had served their purpose so well.

Along that road, and we presume it is the same all over the county, the fencing has been placed on the sides of exposed cuts only. There are none along flats where drifting has occurred always. This is probably because it is thought that the snow shovels can push the drifes to the side on flat sections of road, whereas in

Mr. Stevenson has been driving the Buffalo Run road all his life. He would look like ruthless crushing of and Mrs. Leo Lovejoy, of Canton Pa., was knows just where to expect drifts. a minority. There also may be a so serious injured late Friday that she Years of experience have taught him that and he was surprised, on Saturday morning, to find what good work It was in the unprotected flat zones that he stuck because the big shovels had not yet appeared to push the

Snow fencing has been used for years by railroad companies, especially those with west and northwestern ambitions rather than public inter- disappointed, and on Monday it was lines. Miles upon miles of fencing ests are influencing the Governor's put and carried by the vote of sixty- and sheds trail the steel rails that traverse the Rockies and the Selkirks. And we recall that the Bellefonte Central protected its tracks from Struble station in to State College years ago with a solid board fencing, but few ever thought of the pub-—Let us hope the members of the M. Daugherty, Attorney General lic roads in Centre county being thus prevention. The world do move.

NO. 5.

Crops and Credits.

The House of Representatives seems disposed to pass the Haugen bill of co-operative marketing of farm crops. Co-operation in selling crops seems to have proved of real benefit to the farmers and would probably be more useful in alliance with the Department of Agriculture. Yet it should not be forgotten that there is a large measure of co-operation in the produce exchanges which the farmers are disposed to regard with deep hostil-Were there no open trading mark and was destroyed with \$8000 loss. there would be no open price, and every farmer would sell his crops to with possibility of losing some fine forest the best possible price would be small. purchases have been large and may inter-

exchanges, where all the grain news in the world is concentrated, and if there are occasional combinations from which the farmer suffers he benefits generally from the competitive that auburn hair is the prettiest. Out of the buying of the brokers. The manipulated markets are almost invariably blonds were considerably in the minority. bull markets; the telegraph carries The boys were strong in favor of not so the news of buying and prices to every farm village, and the farmers benefit always from bull movements. They are seldom obliged to lose by bear raids, for they can hold their crops a few weeks, by which time the raid will have expired. The co-operative marketing, however, with the sup-port of the Department of Agriculture, would give the farmers the benefit of competitive buying without the occasional danger of the domination of the market by a clique.

But ex-Governor Lowden, who has the reputation of being a big farmer and a big business man, wants some-thing more than co-operative market-ing. In a speech before the Illinois Agricultural Association he called for a Federal farm board "which should regulate crop production for the farmer as the Federal Reserve Board adthe industrial world."

the amount of the supply or the character of the demand. But you can't vary the quantity of farm produce in any such way. Mr. Lowden has over-production very much on his mind, and he thinks that "acting" Rodemzer was last seen at somestown, Pennsylvania. A sister, Mrs. Jane Hagans, and several brothers reside near Near's Mills, Huntingdon county.

The Lewisburg chair works were recently sold by order of the United States wind, and he thinks that "acting" through co-operative groups representing certain crops, a farm board might expect to prevent the ruinous over-production which from time to time confronts agricultural produc-

If the price is low the farmer at least It had an appraised value of over \$600,000. has the satisfaction of knowing that he has a great deal to sell. The myth of the ruinous corn crop of Iowa has been pretty well exploded, though it may still affect the judgment of Mr. Lowden. The cheap corn crop of Iowa in 1925, turned into pork and beef, was worth from \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 more than the crop of 1924, according to Professor Curtiss, of Iowa State College, and Mr. Thompson, of the Iowa Homestead, puts the gain at the higher of these two figures, or a little more than that. Mr. Lowden may have exaggerated

the evil of over-production. ceivably store an excess and there- fine on habitual drunks who appear in fore sustain a price, but it could not affect production. When the farmer uals have been before him several times decides on the area he will devote to a certain crop he knows nothing about the fine they were placed in the lockup weather, which may give him a bumper crop or a very scanty one. After the sewing the crop depends entirely upon the weather, so that there is the it will be cheaper to try to reform the ofwidest possible difference between the fenders. crops and the credits which Mr. Lowden treats as though they were analogous subjects of regulation.

## Keep Thoughts on Boys' Lives.

From the Pittsburg Post. Leaders of the Senate majority favorable to American membership in the world court are described as reluctant for "sentimental reasons" to back the desired action for something like three years and is now conduct-

ing a filibuster against the measure. It is understandable that the majority of the Senate, with each member jealous of his own rights of speech should seek to avoid anything that sense of shame at the thought that died on Saturday night. Her brother, cloture should be necessary to permit | Willard, 11 years old, also trapped, lived the United States to take one of the most enlightened steps in its history. Nevertheless it would seem that patience with the obstruction of this comparatively trivial minority against the court proposition has ceased to be a virtue.

Then there is an infinitely larger question of sentiment involved in the situation than that for the faces of any group of Senators.

It is sentiment for saving the lives of our young men from any war that which he secured \$27,310, and was sencan honorably be avoided. The world court is an important

step in that direction.

Let the majority keep their thoughts on the lives of the boys of the land and go roughshod, if necessary, over any mere sentiment of prejudice that gets in the way of war

-Get your job work done here.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE.

-The stockholders of the Mifflin County Mutual Fire Insurance Company elected Ben Ruble president.

-The Brookville Title and Trust Company has promoted Assistant Treasurer Frank B. Jones to be treasurer.

-Forty persons will be employed in a new industry at Lucinda, near Clarion, a plant to finish and polish plate glass.

-To promote a better feeling between the farmers of that section of Fayette county and the business men of Connellsville, a big banquet was held Tuesday

-County Detective Davis arrested James Wiliams, colored, at Hawstone, charged with robbing the window of the Missin County Jewelry Company's store at Lewistown, last Sunday.

-Two tramps narrowly escaped with their lives early on Monday when the Danville lock-up caught fire and was damaged. An overheated stove is blamed for the blaze, which gave firemen a stubborn fight for an hour before it was out.

-Only one jar out of 1000 jars of fruit in the cellar of the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wenner, of Fishing Creek township, Columbia county, was broken when removed while the home was burning. The house, more than 100 years old, was a land-

a buyer in most cases much better in- lands which had been marked out for purformed of world conditions than he chase when the State gets money availcan be, and the chance of his getting able. In the Bald Eagle district private There is competitive buying on the fere with State plans. It is a case of where money talks.

-Westminister college students have declared, that is, the boys have declared. that auburn hair is the prettiest. Out of blonds were considerably in the minority. much "fussing" by the girls on the school

grounds. -A kindly old lady of New Castle has asked city council if she could not donate a lot she owned for the purpose of erecting a hospital for horses, dogs and cats. The council members were quite stunned by the offer, but it is altogether likely that it will be accepted in good faith, and that the poor animals of that city will be well taken care of in the future.

-The State Highway Department has issued instructions to the motor patrol that not more than three persons shall be permitted to ride on the driver's seat of an automobile, when the car is in motion on a highway; and that at no time are passengers to be permitted to ride on running boards, hoods or other places than

those intended by the makers of the car. -Relatives of Steve Rodenizer, a najusts nation-wide credit facilities for tive of Huntingdon county who became strangely missing eleven years ago, have There is no analogy between crops instituted a nation-wide search for him. At the time of his disappearance he was creased or decreased by varying the worrying over domestic trouble, it is said. price, the discount rate, according to Rodenizer was last seen at Johnstown,

mind, and he thinks that, "acting district court at public sale to Charles Steele, of the Lewisburg Trust and Safe Deposit company, representing the stockholders and employes, who had formed a corporation for the purchase of the plant, which has been in receiver's hands for the past two years. The entire factory But is over-production ruinous? and complete plant was sold for \$200,000

> -Calvin E. Buck, 58 years old, died in the Adrian hospital at Punxsutawney a few hours after being injured in the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh roundhouse as a result of an odd combination of circumstances. Employed as operator of the turntable at the local roundhouse, Buck swung back a pair of huge doors to allow a locomotive to enter. He neglected to fasten one of the doors securely and it swung to, knocking Buck beneath the wheels of the engine.

-Mayor Hagerty, of Clearfield, has announced that hereafter he will impose a sentence of five nights of attendance at The board he proposes might con- Salvation Army meetings instead of \$5.25 this month and when they could not pay for five days. Their stay in the lockup required meals and took up so much of an officer's time that the mayor believes

-One of the worst fires that ever menaced Dubois for some time occurred on Saturday when the "Old Red Mill," owned and operated by The Dinger Milling company was completely destroyed, with a large stock of grain and machinery. The loss will exceed \$50,000. The mill was one of the oldest manufacturing plants in that section. It was built by Charles Notter, 30 years ago, and for many years turned out practically all of the grist for the apply cloture to the little band of "ir-farmers in that vicinity. The plant was reconcilables" that has been holding recently purchased by the Dinger Milling company, from L. M. Dinger.

> -Caught under blazing timbers as the roof of her home collapsed and later dropped to the frozen ground from a second story window by her frantic father, who believed some one underneath would catch her, Margaret, 15 year old daughter of Mr. but a few minutes after being carried out by Lazelle Thomas, a fireman, who went into the roaring furnace to save him. Carl Lovejoy, 16 year old brother, and the father also were burned, but will recover. The mother, prostrated from grief, is in a serious condition.

> -R. Clyde Segner, aged 32, former clerk in the office of county controller T. J. Underwood, at Washington, Pa., entered a plea of guilty on Monday afternoon to charges growing out of speculations in tenced by Judge James I. Brownson to serve from two and one-half to five years in the Washington county jail. A check by experts shows that there were fiftyseven counts against Segner, twenty-eight of forgery and twenty-nine of larceny. One count referred to \$19,147.50 worth of redeemed but not canceled county bonds and interest on coupons, which Segner had locked in his personal strongbox. They were discovered after his arrest.