## Democratic Hatchman

INK SLINGS.

-Anent the commencement of work of remodeling the Moose theatre our mind runs back to the time when the late Daniel Garman built the play house. It was opened by Frank Mayo, in "Davy Crockett," a two night engagement and a wonderful production. The literature of the opera house advertised Bellefonte as the "capital of Centre county with a population of five thousand, two monster blast furnaces, two charcoal blast furnaces, a chain factory, Universal manufacturing company, three immense roller flouring mills, a glass factory, a nail factory, four rolling mills, a boiler works, two large machine shops, four puddling furnaces, an axe factory, steam heat, eleven churches, sixteen schools, five railroads and an excellent fire department with a new steamer." That was only so long ago as the early nineties and friend Al Garman, the manager of the opera house, didn't stretch much but the borough limits. He had to do that to get population and some of the industries he credited to Bellefonte. The point is this: We want to call attention to how completely the industrial life of a community can change in a few decades and how indifferent most of us are to what is going on about us. Just glance over the list given above and note what changes have occurred. The town is a far better place than it was in those days, larger industries have come to substitute for the many little ones, but we don't believe it's a happier place for the reason that everybody wants so much now, that he or she can't have, that nobody is satisfied.

High school in that city. It had been lay might help their unjust purposes. tience. up in the mountains looking for colt's foot, hepatica, Jack-in-the-pulpit and of the Slush Fund committee, is not situation brings to mind grows out of such other herbs and wild flowers as in sympathy with the proposition of a suspicion that neither of the parties the students might find native for Senator Jones. He discerns a "nig- in controversy is exactly sincere. The found that they had forgotten the versely to the claimants, which is agreements of the Washington con-children. sugar. A house was spied in the distance and from it a bowl filled with Pennsylvania and Illinois would have ment of the Harding-Coolidge adminthe sweetening was borrowed. The authority to appoint Republicans to istrations that commanded wide aphouse turned out to be that of Mr. fill the vacancies and thus prolong Re- proval. But even that achievement is and Mrs. D. J. Kelly and the bowl publican control of the Senate. Of tainted because there is a deep-seated it space here: that contained the borrowed sugar was "the one that was in Robert E. will not restrain the President from to embarrass the organization of the League of Nations and that the president was the Democratic Watchman: circumstance under which we said it | Senate. would turn up.

-You might be wondering what we are writing all this old stuff for anyway. Truth is we have such an accumulation of it on the desk that we starting on our annual fishing pilgrimage. That is, get the pile low enough so that any checks on subscription you send in before our return won't topple off into the waste basket and be dumped into the baler by the devil when he gives the place its semi-annual cleaning-if he does.

-Here's a Linn street antique: Do you know that the present Green home was the first building started on Linn street. The foundation for it was broken before Judge Linn started to build the second house which occupied the western half of the present Reynolds property and the late F. Potts Green lived sixty two years in that house and was continuously in the drug business here for sixty-five years. When he started to build, Allegheny street ended at that corner and everything north, east and west was cow pasture.

-Strange, but immediately under the memo slip from which the above was written we find a copy of a handsome brochure commemorating the semi-centennial of the First Presbyterian church of Bradford, Pa. When we first picked it up we wondered what in the world it had to do with rules, devote their intelligence, wit favored the corporations in all mat-bond issue at November 3, 1925 genfor Centre county readers or by what criminals interesting and attractive," of these corporation agents utility still maintain continuity. Well, leave is it not to be expected that the loot every community in which they it to us to work out of a hole. In the thoughtless, the unfortunate, the ig- operated. Every complaint of the K. McCafferty as a member of the church and it was Charles' father who built the house on the next corner that will be most effective?" Any creased and electric lighting charges the charge the control of the past 100 years, was selected. This site is not only the geographical above the Green house, the present lawyer who defends a criminal might advanced to excessive figures. father who built a section of the Bellefonte, Nittany and Lemont railroad and all of Prossertown.

perance folks of the town and, my, the bowl of delectable vegetable soup him without regard to his guilt or ercise his own judgment he would

-We're in an awful hole now. The column is just seven lines short. Not the Volstead law, but considering the only in party success, decided to reenough space into which to crowd an- practices of some of them in this ward him for "services rendered." other reminiscence, yet too much to State it is not surprising. lead out, so there's nothing else to do but fill it up by telling you that its a helluva job to finish it.



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May Be in Extra Session.

Senator Wesley L. Jones, of Washington State, Republican whip of the other important subjects will be done. The people of the respective obliged to wait. The Senate cannot countries were led to believe that all the decision is adverse to the claim- has been disappointed. The represenjority.

The Republicans of the Senate have as Senators under their purchased and fraudulent claims, Senator David A. Reed, of Pennsylvania, organized

—Some weeks ago we were wonder- sent of Mr. Jones, the party whip. If instructions from Tokio, switched to the court restraining its board of diing what had become of the silver that action had not been taken the insugar bowl that the late Anthony vestigation then in progress would proceedings. Of course every move-Gatens always insisted he had snitched have been completed before the time from Robert E. Lee's mess tent at for the reassembling of the Senate unamimous of Great Britain and Japan schools are now being conducted in an Morgantown, W. Va. Post, a few days tain delay in the organization would The result is that arguments must be has been condemned, it would seem ago, we noted a story of the peri- have been avoided. But the Republi- presented and compromises made that the children of the district are grinations of the botany class of the can Senators then imagined that de-

> Senator Reed, of Missouri, chairman practically certain, the Governors of ference because it is the one achievecourse Senator Jim Reed's objection belief that it was a political gesture

-Whatever else the political schemers in Washington may make of "Lindie" they failed to make him a militarist. He refused to wear the want to reduce the pile a bit before colonel's uniform provided for the re-

## Attorney General Sargeant Speaks.

The principal speaker at the first day's session of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, held at Bedford Springs, mont. His theme was prohibition enthe direction of the administration. the public.

hold up to ridicule the rules for its ernor Sproul the Public Service Comconduct which society has made; in- mission was organized with the purtimate and by innuendo and sugges- pose of developing public service or timate and by influence and suggest post of developing pulled and suggest post of developing pulled and building at Pleasant Gap must be tion advise that such rules ought to utility corporations. Members of the built, and that the meeting was called be violated; ridicule and revile as un-body who had revealed symptoms for for the purpose of working out a plan desirable members of the community, the people were carefully "weeded to finance it. This resulted in asking men sworn to defend and enforce its out" and others commissioned who the electors to vote for or against a and resources to making crime and ters of dispute. Under the auspices eral election. The bond issue carried the Attorney General observed, "why corporations were given license to norant, the vicious will try to get rid suffering public was turned down and along state highway, our main street, of the oppressors of the criminals in every demand of the corporations

one of the lawyers present to defend ernor Fisher had been allowed to exrule, to make sport of or ridicule of- force, the "power behind the throne," ficers engaged in the enforcement of responsible to nobody and concerned

easy enough to start something but doesn't want "Hel'n Maria" for a the World war but the government running mate next year.

Trouble in the Geneva Conference.

There is no just cause of complaint against the appeal of the delegates to Senate, is precisely correct in his con- the conference in session at Geneva jecture that "until the Vare and for the purpose of decreasing the Smith cases are out of the way purely naval strength of Great Britain, the legislative business confronting Congress will be jammed-up hopelessly." United States and Japan. Every man or woman engaged in any enter-The consideration of these cases will prise that drags along at a disapconsume a good deal of time and pointing rate of speed urges patience pending the determination of them on the part of all concerned, and that legislation concerning the Mississippi is precisely what the American, flood, tax reduction, farm relief and British and Japanese delegates have organize until the validity of title to these delegates had to do was meet, a seat acquired by fraud and corrup- lay their cards on the table and take tion has been definitely decided. If what they wanted. This expectation the decision is adverse to the claim- has been disappointed. The representation and presented to Judge Keller, who ants the Democrats will have a ma- tatives of each power appear to have differences as to where such a build-"something up their sleeves."

The trouble seems to be that Great themselves to blame for the embar- Britain asks for a revision of the rassment which this question imposes action of the Washington conference. upon them. In order to prevent com- The representatives of the United pletion of the inquiry into the right States objected to this for the very of Mr. Vare and Mr. Smith to qualify good reason that five powers participated in that agreement and three have no right to alter or annul it. At ment of the conference must be which will consume time and tax pa-

of such conferences.

-Chairman Greene, of the ed.) House Ways and Means committee, declares that the revenue cut to be made at the next session of Congress will not exceed \$200,000,000. What does he want to do with a \$600,000,-000 treasury surplus?

## Corporation Control Continued.

man of the Public Service Commission at Harrisburg. As the public in genlast week, was United States Attorn- clearly signifies that the utility cor- eral has taken much interest in this ey General, John G. Sargeant, of Ver-porations will continue their strangle-school fight, a statement of the real hold on the throats of the people of forcement and he threw some "hot Pennsylvania for "four years more." shot" into the ears of the considerable His appointment was announced by the number of lawyers who indulge them- Governor after a conference in which selves in the luxury of quietly con-chairman Mellon, William S. Vare and suming the products of moonshine Eric Fisher Wood participated. 200 school children, and only three stills. This was probably a surprise These gentlemen compose the secret school rooms, owned by the township. to the members of the association, for force, the "invisible government," though the Attorney General is in a which controls the administration at knitting mill that was turned into two position to take an active part in law Harrisburg, not in the interest of the enforcement, Mr. Sargeant has not, people of the State but for the enrichhitherto, manifested any great zeal ment of the favorite few who have in the work that has been done under acquired franchises to levy tribute on

"When intelligent, educated men During the administration of Gov-

be charged with sinning in this way. Governor Pinchot, who had made a Of course lawyers must defend their searching investigation of these outclients charged with offences, whether rageous decisions, tried to protect the guilty or innocent. There may be people against these violations of the -How many of you recall the Mc- lawyers who will refuse to accept a principles of justice but was defeated Cafferty building that stood just west retainer for a client who is guilty, by prejudiced and partisan courts. and specifications, which were taken of the rail-road tracks, on west High but they are few and far between, and Mr. Ainey, as chairman of the Comstreet; the rambling, one-story frame even the highest standard of profes- mission, was largely responsible for ment of Public Instruction. Our distructure that housed seven stores sional ethics places no such obligathe injustice to the public and it was and two tenements and the "Holly tion on practitioners at the bar. If hoped that with the expiration of his Tree Inn" that occupied one of the a man accused of crime is unable to term of office he would be retired. It rooms. It was launched by the Tem- employ counsel the court will direct may even be surmised that if Govwe "bad boys of Cheapside" could get innocence. It may be wrong, as a have been retired. But the hidden

> -Judge Gary, head of the Steel It is rumored that Mr. Coolidge trust, says he could have prevented wouldn't let him do it.

Judge Furst's Ruling a Disappoint- accorded, then shipped in a car or two ment to Many in Spring Township.

The finding of the Hon. James C. Furst in the much discussed Spring township school case, which was published in full in this paper last week, has been a bitter disappointment to many who are interested in solving the central and especially of the south the rather serious problem that confronts that district.

The matter has been in controversy for over two years and from what we have been able to glean is not so much a difference of opinion among the tax payers as to the actual need of a better school building, with more commodious and modern facilities for the ant Gap, as it has been one of petty ing should be located.

Mountains have been made out of mole-hills. Politics, business, personalities and everything else have been injected into the fight over the project with the result that the school district now finds itself in the position of having spent several thousand dollars for plans which would meet the requirefirst Japan was inclined to concur in ments of the State Board of Educaa fillibuster, presumably with the as- the objection but subsequently, under tion and confronted with a decree of

work. could force their policies through. old factory building, part of which not properly housed and that a new building is to be desired. The squab-One of the troubles which this ble over its location, however, grew to such proportions that all else has been forgotten and the district is facidentification. When the noon hour ger in the woodpile." If the right of American delegates probably feel as serious delay in getting adequate Vare and Smith is determined ad- that it is their duty to maintain the facilities for the education of its

Within the week we have received the following communication, which seems to be such an unbiased exposition of the controversy that we give

Murder will out. So Dave Kelly is the fellow who happened to be in possession of Anthony's treasure at the time he croaked. That's exactly the considered under which was also been no need to be in party needs help.

League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations, and that the present conference is more to confuse the League than to promote economy. If we had gone into the League of Nations and the party needs help.

There may be an extra session of the close that the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and that the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the League of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the league of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the league of Nations and the present conference is more to confuse the league of a great disappointment to the citizens the district to get to a point where a for the alleged barking of dogs belonging are responsible for what has happen-The turning down on a technicality,

which to us seems insignificant as compared with the real merits in the case, has caused much indignation to some of the people of our community, who have listened to the entire court proceedings and are thoroughly convinced that the school board have acted according to their best judgment it mildly. You will please pardon this and within their rights. What they long letter, but could not give you de-The reappointment of W. D. B. have done has been fully approved by the Department of Public Instruction facts may be of further interest to them. Briefly, the school housing at Pleasant Gap has been in a deplorable condition for the past 15 years. The town has grown until we have a popu-For a number of years an abandoned rooms was used for school purposes. The State Department of Public Instruction was not satisfied with these rooms, and informed the school directors that better quarters must be provided for our school children.

Hence the directors called a meeting of the electors of Spring township, which was held in the court house the fall of 1925 and told them a school building at Pleasant Gap must be by a large majority. After which a site to build upon was carefully looked over by the directors and members of the Department of Public Instruccentre of our town; but also the centre of population. It lies on high ground, has good drainage, and was by the State Departrecommended

ment as site No. 1. After selection of location, an architect was employed to draw plans rectors were anxious to put up a line party. plain, substantial building at the lowest possible cost. Their plans when submitted to the Department were turned down, and new plans with many alterations had to be made to meet state requirements. After approval of plans, letting for the work was advertised and bids for the building received; but as bids were in excess of what the directors thought it should cost, all bids were rejected. Everything that could be eliminated was cut out, and new lettings held, which finally resulted in awarding the contract to the lowest bidders.

of lumber and commenced to break ground for the building. Immediately after this, a few citizens of this place, who claimed they were not satisfied with the central location selected, insisting it should be built at the ex-treme north end of our town (which end of town a much greater distance to walk to school) agitated injunction

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proceedings. Boyd A. Spicher, H. E. Garbrick, Frank Beezer, Lloyd White and Thomas Beaver then instituted proceedings in equity to restrain the school board from erecting a new building on ground selected by them. granted them a temporary injunction.
Later at the hearing before Judge
Keller not one of the conclomeration
of statements contained in the petition was sustained, and sudge Keller
told them plainly that they had no
case; but on account of alleged errors
their attorneys claimed a sixted in the their attorneys claimed existed in the minutes of the school directors' meetings, he allowed them to present a revised bill, which was strictly technical. This remained in Judge Keller's files until after his death.

April 20, 1927, the case came before Judge Furst for argument. The attorneys at once commenced to argue against the resolution of the school directors, which was drawn up by their attorney, John Love, and acted upon at a meeting of the school board held August 8, 1925. (This resolution being somewhat lengthy and being published in most of the county papers last week, we will omit.) This resolution was discussed from all angles by the attorneys. Counsel favoring the injunction claiming that on account of omitting the words. "We express a desire", before making the resolution, etc., it did not comply with the law. Judge Furst finally told them from the bench that his court could not see that it was necessary to use that exact language. The fact that the school board did pass the resolution was sufficient evidence that they had a desire to do so. The argument on this technicality was immediately dropped.

Just why the Judge changed his mind on June 20, when he made the deplorable condition of our schools. disappointed about it only expresses tails in fewer words.

words.
Respectfully, "CITIZEN"

## for County Treasurer.

Howard E. Holzworth, about whom his eligibility as a candidate for county treasurer while holding the office of county commissioner, has authorized the statement that he will continue in the fight. He has consulted several of the ablest attorneys in slaughter, was sentenced to serve sixty

considerable progress in his campaign more than sixty days. Another charge of among the Republicans of Centre county and it is just and right that was discharged Monday night. Ippolito his supporters should know that he shot and killed two men who are alleged is considered entirely eligible by the to have called at his barber shop at Johnsbest of legal advice.

--For some time past there have been repeated rumors of illegal fisher- Johnstown a year ago. men getting in their nefarious work on Spring creek. On one or more ocevidence of dynamiting, but so far no one has been caught in the act though has kept a fairly good watch on the stream. Last Friday night, however, four men were seen on the stream about nine o'clock and there is every reason to believe they were there for no good purpose. The men had parked their car half a mile away and when observed each man was wearing a lighted miner's lamp on the visor of his cap. Some of them, if not all, car-

Burgess Hard P. Harris arranged with local dealers not to sell fireworks until the second of July, and so far as known they have all kept their dragged the plow and driver into the hole agreement. But this did not deter with it. The field in which Mr. Base was those determined to celebrate. They plowing had been underlaid with a 5-foot went out of town and bought a supply and last Saturday night sounded much like the night before the Fourth. In fact some young men were not satisfied with celebrating on Saturday night but kept at it Sunday night, Mr. James Longwell, contractor, to much to the annoyance of people gowhom the putting up of building was ing to and from church.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYTSONE.

Mrs. Frank Spunk, of Rummel, died Sunday night of a strange malady, believed to be sleeping sickness.

-An all-steel train with buffet car atsached will take more than 250 Elks from Shamokin to the annual State convention at Easton in August. More than a hundred members have signed up already.

-Wives of Snyder county farmers who complain about traveling several hundred miles to buy their winter furs need worry no longer. T. H. Spigelmire, a merchant of Selinsgrove, has secured a 147 acre farm to raise silver foxes.

-Singing with the choir at the Rush Baptist church near Shamokin, on Sunday night, Mrs. Wellington Rothermel, 53, suffered a heart attack and died several minutes later. Her illness brought to a close the church services when Children's day exercises were being conducted. -The Rev. Dr. Jacob H. Diehl, pastor

of Trinity Lutheran church, Selinsgrove, has been elected executive representative of Susquehanna University by the exexecutive committee of the board of directors to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Rev. Dr. Charles T Aikens. -Margaret Miller, aged 15, of Johns-

town, was struck on the head by a batted ball at an amateur game in that place on Saturday noon and died the same night at Mercy hospital. The girl recovered rapidly after the accident and was taken home. Later she became unconscious and a brother took her to the hospital. Death was caused by hemorrhage of the brain.

-William F. Donovan, 52 years old, of Williamsport, shot himself to death last Friday morning rather than submit to arrest on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. Policemen summoned by a telephone call granted Donovan permission to step into another room before going to police headquarters and a minute or so later heard the shot which claimed the man's life.

-A man pretending to be a physician drove to the home of Mrs. I. M. Kester, at Shickshinny. He assured the woman he could cure her of a disease which other doctors had pronounced incurable. She paid him a \$100 retainer. Then he sent her for some pure spring water. When she returned she found the stranger had disappeared and \$800, concealed in a 'ureau was also missing.

-David Bush, of Grange, near DuBois, an employee of the Penn Public Service corporation, met a tragic death on Friday. Mr. Bush, while working on a tower near Heilwod, Indiana county, came in contact with a high power line, and was knocked off the tower, falling a distance of 92 feet. He was dead when fellow workmen reached him, and it is believed that the electric current caused his death.

-With a piece of flesh bitten from his right arm near the elbow, William Hampton, a negro, was taken into custody at Sunbury, on Saturday, following a battle with his landlord. C. Freeman, a white man. Freeman insisted that the negro started the fight, but admitted sinking his teeth in the flesh of the negro's arm and tearing loose a sizable portion. The negro

school building could be built, is be- to Frang Rowe and kept at the DeHaas yond our comprehension. The court's home, were Rowe boards. This is one of decree has been a body blow to our the queerest cases that ever came before town that may take us years to re- the Northumberland county courts. Haas cover from. People who are looking claims that the dogs, sometimes two and for locations to build where they can three in number, howl at night, thereby have all the modern conveniences keeping his family awake. He claims that side-step this town on account of the through their barking his wife has been made a nervous wreck, and that he has To say many of us were grievously been necessitated to spend a large sum of money for doctor bills.

-Four boys with red bathing suits they used for flags almost upset the schedule of the whole of the Shamokin division of the Reading railroad, on Sunday, when they walked half way across the bridge over the Susquehanna river, at Sunbury, and flagg-H. E. Holzworth will Stay in Fight ed passing trains. A Philadelphia-Williamsport express and another southbound train were flagged. A freight was stopped, as were several other trains. Railroad some question has been raised as to police were notified and arrested four children from Shamokin, who admitted fooling the railroad men. They were sent home in the custody of their parents.

-Joseph Ippolito, of Johnstown, charged with murder and found guilty of manthe State and it is on their advice as in court at Ebensburg on Monday. The Mr. Holzworth has already made incarceration and Ippolito has been in jail murder was nolle prossed and Ippolito town in March and who it is said threatened his life if he refused to pay a bill which was owed to a New Jersey groceryman by his brother, who was murdered at

-The Supreme court, in an opinion casions fishermen on the stream have discharge from the western penitentiary of found what they believed to have been Frank Holinko, who has been serving a sentence of from seven to eight years, imposed in Armstrong county, December 31, game protector Thomas G. Mosier 1921. Holinko had pleaded guilty to obtaining money by false pretenses, fraudulent conversion and conspiracy to cheat and defraud. For the first offense the punishment is a fine and imprisonment not exceeding three years; for the second imprisonment not exceeding five years, and for the third imprisonment not exceeding two years. Council for Holinko took out a writ of habeas corpus against Warden Stanley P. Asche, of the western penitentiary, contending that the sentence was illegal.

-Jules Base, who lives along the state road near the village of Allport, lost a valuable horse recently in a very peculiar manner. He was plowing in the field adjacnt to his residence when suddenly the horse disappeared and sank, out of sight into the bowels of the earth. If the harness had not broken the horse would have seam of Moshannon coal, which was mined out during the boom without breaking the surface. Mr. Harry Todd, of Philipsburg, owns the mineral rights under the Base farm and when Mr. Base told Todd of his loss, he gave him a check for \$100, although he was under no obligations to compensate for damage to the surface in removing the mineral.