### Former Governor Sproul Dies at Chester.

Chester, Pa., March 21.-William C. Sproul, former Governor of Penn-sylvania, died at his home near here tonight at 9:30 o'clock. He was 57 years old and had been ill for many months, following upon an attack of pneumonia. His wife and two children were at his bedside when the end came.

Sproul was widely known in busi-ness and financial circles. His last public appearance was at a dinner given by the Union league of Phil-adelphia November 17 at which President Coolidge was the guest of hon-or. He is survived by his widow, a son and a daughter.

Sproul's business interests included railway and traction lines, coal min-ing, iron, steel and ship-building. Prior to his election as Governor in 1918, he served 22 consecutive years in the State Senate. He frequently was re-ferred to as the "father of good

ventions, and was a contender for the presidential nomination in 1920, receiving a minimum of 84 votes on the first ballot to permit the deadlocked convention to name Warren G. Hard-

In addition to his many business ac-tivities Sproul showed a lively interest in science and sports. The Sproul observatory at Swathmore college was his contribution to his alma mater. During his college days he developed an interest in journalism and after his graduation purchased part owner-ship in the Chester Times, on which he had worked as reporter.

ernor in 1922, he devoted most of his time to business.

Sun's Spots Shrink; See Better Weather for Next 11 Years.

The period of cyclone, tornado, flood and earthquake disasters which has wrought havoc all over the world

during the last few years is over. This is the assertion of German as-tronomers who have ascertained that

maximum expansion and are now be-

The sun spots, some of which cov-er areas larger than the whole sur-face of the earth, produce gigantic gas explosions and electro-magnetic storms which, it is held, in turn pro-duce such a commotion in the earth's atmosphere and so unbalance its equi-librium that weather and earthquake librium that weather and earthquake catastrophies take place.

State Senate. He frequently was re-ferred to as the "father of good roads in Pennsylvania. The former Governor was a dele-gate to two national Republican con-was a dele-gate to two national Republican con-con-

velopment toward the end of 1927. The years of 1926 and 1927, it is explained, were therefore bad years; they brought ruinous tornadoes and

floods in both America and Europe, and earthquakes in Japan.

Now, however, the sun spots have begun to shrink and it is believed that the next five years will be free from natural catastrophies.

Other astronomical phenomena which this year will bring are three comets, named Taylor, Holmes and Encke.

Jupiter and Mars will pass close to the earth and attract the increased at-After his retirement from political tention of all who try to solve the life at the close of his term as Gov- ' problem of life on other planets.



# TALKS WITH THE EDITOR.

A Magazine, a Daily and a Weekly, All in One.

Cherry Tree, Pa., Mar. 20, '28. Mr. George Meek, Editor,

Dear Sir:

I wish to take this opportunity to tell you how much I enjoy the old home paper. We have had it in our family ever since I can remember, in fact, I believe it is the first paper I ever read.

In the Democratic Watchman you have admirably combined the functions of a magazine, daily newspaper, and a weekly. The continued stories are good, the first page contains a lot of current information with the chaff blown out of it and your local corres-pondents keep a fellow in touch with old friends.

With the wish that your institution will long remain a medium for keep-ing those who have drifted away in touch with the folks back home, I remain

Very respectfully, R. H. DUNLAP.

New Bulletin Shows Auto Signals Needed.

Safety Bulletin No. 6 entitled "Sig-nals Save Smash-ups," latest of the series issued by the Department of Highways has been released for dis-tribution to motor clubs, safety or-conjustions interseted in advancement ganizations interested in advancing the movement for safe driving.

The veil of darting suddenly from

The veil of darting suddenly from a parked position at the curb into the traffic stream without signal or rea-sonable precaution is portrayed vivid-ly by a pen and ink sketch and by a photograph. Emphasis is placed on the illegal practice of parking on the left hand side of the street so that when the start is made, the drivthat when the start is made, the driver must cross one current of the traffic to enter the other, creating a serious hazard.

limportance of signalling a left turn is shown and the picture illustrates the advantage to all drivers within range of vision of the signal. It shows the necessity of a signal to vehicles approaching from the oppo-site direction that a left turn is to be made directly in their path of travel so as to enable them to prepare for a necessary stop or reduced

speed. An illustrated newspaper clipping adds to earlier warnings against carelessness at railroad grade crossings. The picture shows a mass of scrap iron, the remains of an automobile and iron fence after a baggage express struck the machine at Darby, where the driver was killed.

Another clipping tells of two women who met death in accidents while a third reports charges of murder and manslaughter brought in fatal auto-mobile accidents, one driven under the influence of liquor.

## Tardy Citizens Face Tax Fine.

Federal income taxpayers are subject to heavy penalties for failure to file a tax return, to pay the tax on time, or to make a fraudulent return. For failure to file a return on time, unless a good reason can be shown, the fine is 25 per cent of the tax in-volved. For willful failure to make a return, the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000, or imprisonment of not more than one year, or both, plus a fine of 25 per cent of the tax. For a false return the penalty involves a \$10,000 fine, imprisonment up to five years and a further fine of 50 per cent of the tax. In the case of illness or the absence of a taxpayer from the country an extension of time in filing a return may be obtained, but there can be no extension of time in payment of the tax, unless this is particularly speci-



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### 3,000 Farm Bulletins Mailed Each Month.

Requests are received by the Pennsylvania epartment of Agriculture for more than 3000 farm bulletins each month. While most of these requests are from farmers within the Commonwealth, some are received from all parts of the world. During the past few months bulle-tins have been sent to Africa, Japan, Russia, France, Germany, Phillippine Islands and Porto Rico, in addition to England and Canada.

A complete list of all available bulletins is furnished to all persons de-siring agricultural information.

## Offers Testers' Course.

To provide for new associations being formed and for vacancies in older organizations, a short course of trainng will be given at the Pennsylvania State College, April 2 to 7 inclusive. C. R. Gearhart, state supervisor of cow testing work, will be in charge of

Those taking the course will be in-structed in taking samples, running tests, keeping records, and feeds and

What people think of you usually depends on little things, but what people think of you is no little thing. -Dr. Frank Crane.

I do not think it possible for a better man to be injured by a worse. To a good man nothing is evil, neither while living nor when dead, nor are his concerns neglected by the gods.-

But words are things, and a small drop

Falling like dew upon a thought, pro-

That which makes thousands, perhaps millions, think .-- Lord Byron.

Knowledge is of two kinds; we know a subject ourselves, or we know where we can find information upon it.— Samuel Johnson.

The highest reward that God gives us for work is the ability to do better work .- Elbert Hubbard.

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# The Pageant

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