

-Don't be worried about the cold. It isn't unseasonable. We notice in our "Fifty Years Ago" column that at this time in 1879 the river at Lock Haven was almost entirely frozen over.

-The Sate College High school football team hadn't won a game this season until Bellefonte started to mop up the gridiron with those boys last Saturday. It's just too bad, what happened to the wind in the sails of our fans. Not so bad, however, as the English of one of them who said: "The officials wasn't fair. They seen everything we done and never seen a thing the State College fellows done, neither."

-You think you didn't have much to be thankful for yesterday but you did. No matter what has befallen you since this time last year, no matter how much mental, physical or financial distress you may have suffered in the interim, you still had reason to be thankful that it was no worse. And thankful that, through t all, there was constantly at your side one unfailing Friend to give comfort when you sought it.

lear our mind of wonderment as to vilting eastward has our goat. She's oo scientific for us and has spoiled, ntirely, what we thought might prooke a controversial question that when "the old bean" isn't working acilely. She's gummed the game, beause she leads us into water entirey too deep for us.

idy, but she was in such haste to front view.

-John A. Berkey, President Judge the Courts of Somerset county, as been indicted by a Federal court rand jury of conspiracy to violate le prohibition laws. We certainly ope that Judge Berkey will be able



#### Senator Blaine Understands Tariff

The Grundys, the Reeds and the Binghams of the Senate may be able Franklin county, recently Ambassato fool some of the farmers of the dor to Italy, has aspirations for pocorn belt but they can' fool all the litical favors he is taking long Senators of that section of the coun- chances in publicly criticizing Prestry. The other day Senator Blaine, ident Hoover's pet project to give of Wisconsin, gave them a rude shock on the subject. He said scorn- in war times. The President has befully, according to press reports, come very much an idol to the Rethat the tariff mongers knew quite publican men and women of Pennas well as he knew "that this alleg- sylvania, and even a polite dissent ed protection of the farmer by high- to a policy that he has adopted er rates is humbug. In his own rather than originated is likely to be State" he said, "full of dairy farm- resented. This Mr. Fletcher did in ers, they found that when the tariff an address delivered before the Unon butter was raised four cents a ion League of Philadelphia on Satpound by President Coolidge, under urday, the occasion being the sixty--The lady who has written to the flexible tariff provision, the price seventh anniversary dinner of that of butter instantly fell eight to ten solemn and self-satisfied organizavhy the candles on the eastern end cents a pound. So it will be with all tion. of our sideboard are wilting west- other agricultural duties. They are vard and those on the western end merely so many figures on a piece won considerable distinction in the the vote at the general election in of paper." Scraps of paper, so to

speak. ment of the value of tariff taxation freedom of the seas for food ships of the legal votes cast will accomvould furnish a paragraph or two on farm products. And it is of no in time of war on the ground that degreater value to the government. nial of that privilege makes the There might be some excuse for starvation of women and children levying tariff taxes on commodities "instruments of war." Mr. Fletcher imported if such levies yielded large, responds to this amiable suggestion -You think the old fashioned girl or even considerable revenues. Such with the statement that "modern as entirely disappeared from the taxes would have the merit of con- warfare includes women and chilace of the earth. Well, she hasn't, stitutional sanction. But a tariff tax dren. The whole nation goes to war. or we saw one on Saturday. Aboy on wheat, the market price of which Everything is now contraband." He ad tried to "date her up" on the on the surplus we have to sell, is added that the United States can treet and straightway, she hus- fixed in Liverpool, or on fresh milk, choose which belligerent nations to led up town to find a policeman to turnips and rutabagas, which are nev- trade with in case of war, and "if we rrest the "masher." We haven't er imported, is literally absurd if mean to abolish war and discourage eard of a girl standing on her considered as a medium of benefit- the making of it that is the least we ght to have the boy formally pre- ting the domestic producers. The can do." ented for so long that we were price in the home market is deterather curious to have a look at this mined by the law of supply and de- audience of Hoover worshippers. mand and the tariff tax neither bene- Probably a good many of those presnd an officer that we couldn't get fits the producer nor increases the ent don't know exactly why they adrevenue. Its only effect, and for mire the President so ardently. Usthat matter its only purpose, is to ually their devotion is attracted by

fool the farmer. stands this fact is shown by his re- lican during a period of eight years. marks in the Senate above quoted. He wasn't converted to the faith un- intellect and morality of the body. firm foundations, trade and industry That he appreciates the value of til the party began bestowing faprove that he hasn't saturated tariff taxation is further proved vors upon him so that some other strike an effective blow against corwhen he adds, 'the only way farm- reason must be found for their wor- ruption in public life. The seating or for that would be awful. He ers can be helped by tariff legisla- ship. The fact that he is President of William B. Wilson will make for even brighter events for the future. the gentleman to whom a Harris- tion is to cut down the duties on may have something to do with it. a higher standard mentally and morirg news writer once applied the manufactured articles and materials. Admiration for power is a common ally, and will give Pennsylvania a ubriquet of John "Absence" Ber- like lumber and shingles and cement, weakness among smug men. But voice in the Senate for something y; the "Absence" meaning that which they have to buy." The Sen- whatever the reason the feeling exough he was Banking Commis- ator might have continued his list ists and if Fletcher is an aspirant oner of the State he could never within the bounds of reason. Shoes, for Senator he showed more courage found in Harrisburg except on apparel, implements and other arti- than discretion in his speech. cles of necessity to the farmer and not produced from the soil are held ake. A few mornings back we at inordinately high prices because are like Clemenceau, who wanted a of tariff taxation. For that reason, funeral "as quiet, as drab, as bare as Mr. Blaine states, "the Senate will be exposed to attempting to fool the farmers unless it gets its knife If the grim man of France had done out and slashes vigorously the pro- nothing else to earn a place among tected rates in the industrial schedules of the tariff bill."

#### Mr. Fletcher's Unwise Speech.

If Mr. Henry P. Fletcher, of freedom of the seas to food ships

Mr. Fletcher has served long and

Mr. Fletcher was addressing an long continued party service. But Wilson Likely to be Seated

ate unjustly awarded to Vare on the face of the returns, will report that the entire vote of Allegheny county and a considerable part of the vote of Philadelphia be thrown out From the Altoona Tribune. and that William B. Wilson is entitled to the seat. This will be a great victory for justice against fraud. The Slush Fund committee had already declared that Vare is not entitled to the seat because of tion. But the adoption of that re- tal \$160,000,000. port would not have given it to Mr. Wilson. But a decision by the Senate that

diplomatic service. In his Armistice the big cities which gave Vare all day speech the President expressed his majortiy is nullified by fraud, This is literally a correct appraise- hope for an international policy of and that Mr. Wilson had a majority plish that result. Even if the Committee on Privileges and Elections should report in favor of seating Vare it would not guarantee his admission. There will be a minority report and the coalition of Democrats and insurgent Republicans has sufficient strength to adopt it. From the beginning of the contest all the market crash is officially regarded insurgent Republicans have been consistently opposed to the seating those caught in the slide, but with-of Vare and recent events have not out any hint of menace to the generof Vare, and recent events have not tended to change their attitude.

When Joe Grundy was amusing himself by kidding the Senate lobby committee he "was cherishing up hope against the day of wrath." In deriding what he was pleased to call and trade. the "backward States" he was Such an expression of optimism, strengthening the bond which held coming as it does from the highest together a force against tariff brigandage and political racketeering, That Senator Blaine fully under- Mr. Hoover has only been a Repub- for which Mr. Vare has always stood. This force, representing the will not neglect an opportunity to

THE AD WAS SMALL

## **Income Tax Reduction**

No more convincing commentary on the soundness of American business could be imagined than the news that the administration, through Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, will recommend to the coming session of Congress an income palpable frauds at the primary elec- tax reduction that is expected to to-

This highly encouraging announce-ment should have a decided effect upon the public in general. Based upon indications that the business profits, dividends, interests and wage ceed those of 1928, and that the fiscal years of 1930 and 1931 will each be the most elaborate and educational in close with a substantial surplus, the the history of the school. Exhibits will decontemplated tax cut is an outstand-ing demonstration of the fundamental agriculture and accomplishments by stustability of America's business structure.

The announcement not only up-holds repeated statements of the nation's leading business men that the country is financially strong, but serves as a notice that the stock as a sort of sideshow, distressing to al prosperity of the nation.

It is obvious that there would be no surplus in sight to permit a cut in taxes, if business were not in a healthy state, and if economic disaster were threatening commerce

possible authority, should fully restore public confidence, if it has been shattered to any degree by the decline in stock prices. The busi-ness structure of the nation rests on proceed as usual, despite losses in holding cause for alarm, promises ly, whether or not it is the result bail for a hearing.

of coincidence or a well-planned pro-cedure. The White House and the

### SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONR

-Miss Julia Bottorf, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bottorf, of Flemington, has gone to Hollirook, Arizona, where she will become a teacher in the sixth grade of the government school of the Indian Reservation there. Miss Bottorf received her appointment after taking the U.S. Civil Service examination.

-Miss Mary Glossner, of Lock Haven. has won a \$500 prize in a short story contest conducted by the McTodden Publishing company, of Los Angeles, Cal. Miss Glossner was notified of her success several days ago, the prize being sent her in the form of a bond for the amount of the prize which is to be held for a time and later can be sold. The title of her story was "They Paid for His Folly."

-Mrs. Susan Cook, oldest woman in Butler county, died at her home in Jef-The gratifying information comes from Washington that the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elec-tions which investigated the Wilson-Vare contest for the seat in the Sen-ate unjustly awarded to Vare on the county. Until taken ill two months ago, Mrs. Cook was active physically and mentally.

> -More than \$2000, receipts of the Red Men's "pow-wow" at Uniontown, last week, are missing, and county and State authorities have been asked to search for Eugene Murphy and Ray Byrne, alleged promoters. A wire has been sent to Buffalo, N. Y., to arrest either of the men, who started for that city. It is claimed they checked out of their hotels shortly after midnight Saturday and left for Connellsville to board a train east.

farm mechanics building on the campus payments of 1929 will considerably ex. at Doylestown, December 12, 13 and 14. Dean C. L. Goodling says the show will dent farmers at the school. The farm show will mark the formal opening of the farm mechanics building.

> -Houses for a distance of several blocks were shaken, and dishes sent crashing from shelves when a large manhole was blown 100 feet into the air by explosion of gases which had collected in a sewer, at Allentown. Police declared an investigation would be made to determine whether waste oil and other fluids from gasoline stations, dumped into the city sewers, might be the cause. Workmen from the Allentown Bethlehem Gas company made investigation of their pipe lines in the district, but could find no seepage

-Harold Parkinson, 19, of 110 West Stockton avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., was arrested as a fugitive from justice, on Saturday, as he stepped from a train at the Pennsylvania station in New York city. Police said that less than 12 hours before the youth had stolen \$125 from a dresser drawer in the home of his aunt, Mrs. B. Tondolo, in Pittsburgh. Police of that speculation; the situation, far from city notified New York police headquarters, gave them a description of Parkinson and he was recognized as he stepped The tax cut announcement is time- from a day coach. He was held in \$1,000

> -John Miller, aged 40, of Summerville village, Jefferson county,

ly days.

ere walking up High street and me to a pavement that was glossy ith a thin coat of ice. We apoached it with misgiving because e old props don't negotiate ice like ey once did. At the instant we got the edge of the treacherous footg we noticed that someone had rown salt on it. Just then two ys anxious for a skate rushed up. hen they discovered what the conlerate owner had done one said: 'osh darn it, someone's spoiled it ." The yardstick that measures e difference between what they ought and we thought is one of ars only.

-Of course it was to be expected at Henry Ford would be called inthe President's conference of eat business minds. Henry was ere with the bells on and promptly nounced his contribution to the heme of manufacturing prosperity a determination to raise wages all of his many industrial enterises. Waiving discussion of the soundness of raising wages unless ere is warrant of a corresponding crease in production or admission at, theretofore, an employer had en unfair to his workers, we mereask Mr. Ford whether it is true at he recently cut the commission his army of dealers two and one-If per cent. If that is so, Henry's a of stimulating prosperity is intical with the idea that robbing ter to pay Paul is good business.

g news dispatches the distinction that enough is plenty. having tag "A" is given a lady lething more than radiated light. sion.

# Senator Reed Agrees with Grundy

It seems that Mr. Joseph R. Grundy was not expressing his own political views in his testimony before the Senate lobby committee. Sena- at Harrisburg last week, unanimoustor David A. Reed, of Pittsburgh, is in complete accord with him on the the tariff fight of the President's subject of the apportionment of embattled adherents." That is admir-Senators among the several States. able so far as it goes. But it lacks In a speech before the Pennsylvania Council of Republican Women, in dicate which faction of the Presi-Harrisburg last week, the Senator dent's adherents challenged their adsaid: "Pennsylvania has a population miration. There were, at the time of 10,000,000, while sixteen States west of the Mississippi combined have only that number. But by this striving for a different purpose and provision of the constituion," he continued, "Pennsylvania has but one cherished ideas of the President with voice and one vote in the Senate at respect to tariff schedules and polipresent while those States have cies. thirty-two."

is a sad story to Senator Reed. Be- ship and as above stated a different cause of it, he moaned to the sympathetic ladies of the Council that a tariff tax had been placed upon mushrooms but, "on motion of the tors Reed, Moses and Bingham unwestern Senators and the Democrats der the guidance of Grundy. The it was removed, and," he added, "du- insurgents, who with equal unanities upon other Pennsylvania prod- mity supported Mr. Hoover for the ucts were cut in two." This com- nomination, are led by Senators -We fear that the State High- plaint has reference, no doubt, to the Borah and Blaine and the other y Department is laying up a lot duty on pig iron. The Smoot com- bunch is led by a group of youngsters, trouble for itself by issuing spe- mittee had fixed it at \$1.50 a ton and some of whom supported Hoover 1 license plates for automobile it was cut by the Senate to seventy- and others didn't. The Old Guard ners. It has issued a tag "A" and five cents. The records show that insisted on tariff legislation for the ag "B" and sixteen other single ever since 1922 when that rate was benefit of manufactures exclusively. tered tags to certain persons fixed, pig iron producers have been The insurgents favored such a ose right to such special recogni- enjoying a period of prosperity un- measure as would give the farmers n will doubtless be challenged by equaled in the history of American ny. If we are to believe Harris- industry and the Senate concluded Senator Reed's sobbing indictment called tariff.

cause she is the granddaughter of of the Senate may be, and probably former, Governor Daniel H. is, justified. "It is disheartening," stings. As a matter of fact she he said, "that the greatest legisla- which of these groups they were no relation, whatever, to the late tive body in the country has sunk to commending. One group was hellvernor Hastings. Tag "B" has the level of reconstruction days." n given to the daughter of Gover- Reconstruction days marked a dis- stuffs, another trying to increase the Fisher. If, as the announcement graceful period in the life of the cost of everything used or consumed s, these special tags are marks of country. Disreputable adventurers by the family and the third seems to stinction" it is quite possible that of the North bought and bulldozed have had no other purpose in view ny will rise to inquire just what their way into the Senate to repre- except "saving the face" of the Press. Avis Hickok Hurlock and Mrs. sent southern constituencies and rev- ident. All of them were earnest, ry Fisher Brown, and the sixteen eled in corrupt legislation. But anxious, somewhat weary and more ers, have done for Pennsylvania Senator Reed can't blame the recur- or less frayed, so that the adjective merit this distinction. We fancy rence of this deplorable condition to serves no purpose of identification. t the Highway Department has the western Senators now in com- But it may be assumed that the symrted something that it can' finish mission. Men of the type of Borah, pathies of the Council were inclined hout hearing from a lot of people Norris, Blaine, Walsh and LaFollette ) will feel that they shine with are not responsible for the perver- was "in their midst" at the time and

-How few of the world's great as were those of a million of my boys who were killed in the war." the world's great that dying wish, permost niche.

**Republican Women for Tariff Taxes** 

The State Council of Republican Women of Pennsylvania, in session ly adopted a resolution "commending in definiteness in that it fails to inthe Council was sitting, no less than three divisions of his force, each each proclaiming that it voices the

Each of these divisions of the This discrepancy in representation President's adherents has a leaderpurpose. The Old Guard which, almost as a unit, opposed the nomination of Mr. Hoover, is led by Senaequal advantage with the manufacturers and the youngsters were willing to accept anything that could be

In these circumstances the women of the Council ought to have stated bent on increasing the price on food toward the Old Guard, for Dave Reed he is a fascinating fellow. Business.

other than spoils. -Listen, Bellefonte water users.

If you have that old milk bottle sitting in the kitchen sink with cooling water running over it, for goodness sake shut if off until after these pitometer fellows, "who have been hired by Council to find out where the water leaks are, are gone. We don't like to take a shingle off anybody's roof, but we know you and we don't know them. You see, it's alone, would have won him an up- this way: Council has agreed to pay them up to fifteen hundred dollars of

your money if they find leaks amounting to that much. But here's the "joker." Supposing tonight you have turned on a spigot to keep something cool or to keep it from freezing and the pitometer sleuths are sleuthing in your neighborhood, what happens: It's this: The leak is measured and the Borough (you) have to pay them for every gallon of water that you have wasted, not only for that night, but for every day for three hundred and sixty five days thereafter. In other words, if they find a leak today and you have it fixed tomorrow their contract permits them to charge for the leak for an entire year.

-Chairman Shouse, of the Democratic Executive committee, places the blame for the Senate's failure to function on the right spot. "The failure," he says, "lies on the door step of the President and nowhere 'else.'

announced an increase of wages of

-The conferences between the President and railroad heads and other corporation executives inspire hope. But don't expect too much from them. Most men want substantial returns for favors bestowed.

-Harry D. Sinclair, emerging from the Washington jail, condemns the processes of the courts which vindicates the adage: "No rogue e'er felt the halter draw with good opinion of the law."

-Senator Brookhart will never. be invited to an official dinner in Washington, but let us hope he has plenty to eat at home.

-The whole world mourns the death of Clemenceau, though he was probably the least loved man in public life in his day.

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-That mysterious miscreant, Invisible Government, has at last urge from the public life of the been identified. His name is Big 'country. He had the record for long and on others he was ordered to pay

Treasury, in this exemplifying faith ed on Monday morning, the 18th, in the in United States business, are mere- woods of northern Jefferson county, was putting into action the words and beliefs of the nation's greatest finan- day by members of a searching party. cial experts and most prominent A bullet wound in his head, believed acbusiness leaders. The rest of us may accept their

words as truth, disregard the rumlings from Wall street, and continue along our normal paths, certain that no financial quagmires are blocking the prosperity road.

#### Forests and Farm Relief

From the Philadelphia Public Ledger. Among the interesting opinions exressed at the Chicago conference of the Association of Land Grant Colleges and Universities was one by Secretary of Agriculture Hyde to the effect that the Government's eagerness to cultivate every potential farm was responsible for crop surpluses. To cure these agricultural ills, which he attributes to overexpansion, Secretary Hyde proposed that poor farm lands be taken over by the Government for reforestation.

Expanding this proposal, which he advanced some weeks ago, Mr. Hyde declared that of 955,000,000 acres of American farmland, only 505,000,000 were actually cultivatable while 350,-000,000 produce crops large enough "to supply the United States and its foreign markets and to support a farm block in the United States Senate." The use of uncultivatable tracts for the purpose of replenishing our diminishing forests would be equivalent to killing two birds with one stone.

This suggestion may appeal more to conservationists than to farmers. And she applied home remedies without sucit would probably be objectionable cess. Shortly after supper the boy drop-to members of the Senate farm bloc ped dead. His skull had been fractured. Henry Ford somewhat dramatically ing up more farms by reclamation bring more voters into their to all employees. On Friday, in a less States-to raise bigger and better spectacular way, he announced a surplusses. Neverheless, Secretary shut down of all his plants for two Hyde's proposal to avoid greater production merits consideration.

## Investigationitis

From the New York Times. One of the recognized functions of a Legislature, or of Congress, is to act at times as a Grand Inquisition. In that capacity it has almost did not sink deeper into the mud, and unlimited power. It can demand books and papers. It can fling wide its subpoenas. It can disregard the rules of evidence. To witnesses under examination it can deny the ordinary rights of being represented by counsel. It can admit to the rec-or had been convicted on charges of misord whatever it likes, and shut out what it does not like. Often in the protection to Jonathan Rager, a reputed course of its investigations it has gambler. Other charges against Cauffiel done wrong, and sometimes injustice, to individuals, in a way making it very difficult if not impossible for to \$10,000 received from Rager for elec-

-The death of Senator Warren, of Wyoning, removes an unique figservice in the Senate.

found dead on a farm near Baxter the next cidentally inflicted, had caused his death. Miller, who was a trapper, left home early Monday morning to follow his line of traps and when he did not return home Monday night a search was started. His automobile was located and one of his traps found, but no trace of Miller was discovered until his dead body was found the next day.

-Pennsylvania's sportsmen are poor judges of hawks, the State Game Commission says. The Commission on November 1 offered a bounty of \$5 for each goshawk presented within thirty-six hours of killing, and since then over 100 hawks of various specjes have been sent in by hunters. Of that number only five specimens were discovered to be goshawks. The goshawk is extremely destructive to game. The adult is described by the Commission as being slate gray in color on top and a "dirty white" heavily and finely barred on the underpart. It can be found in the woodlands rather than in the open country.

-Thomas M. Kehley, a Bethlehem boy, is dead, a victim of the first snowball accident of the season. Leo Moyer a cousin, who lives across the street from the home of the victim, threw the fatal snowball. The boys were members of a party engaged in a friendly snowball battle near Kehley's home. A snowball struck Kehley on the right temple, causing a slight abrasion and a short time after a discoloration appeared. Going home he told his mother of what had occurred and in an effort to relieve his sufferings

-Attracted by what he believed to be a freak pair of ears upon a rabbit, Otto Phillips, small game hunter of Clearfield county, decided to investigate before he shot and was surprised to find that the ears were those of a horse. The animal had fallen into an abandoned well on the farm of Francis Carr, near Sugar Hill, and the timely discovery of its plight by the hunter probably saved its life. The animal was found to be too deeply mired for Phillips to remove without help, but he found a woman hunter and sent her for help while he saw to it that the horse several men arrived shortly and helped him to rescue the animal.

-The State Superior court, on Friday, affirmed the Cambria county court in the conviction of former Mayor Joseph Caufdemeanor in office and furnishing police them to find a remedy. When this great organ of enforced publicity gets going, it is apt to ride remorse-lessly over all opposition. against Cauffiel. He was convicted on six of the seven indictments against him and he took an appeal on each indictment. Cauffiel was sentenced to one year on one indictment, two years on another, costs, sentence being suspended.