## Democratic Hatchman

INK SLINGS

-As long as there are any vacant lots along the public highways there will be opportunities to go into business. That is, you can build a filling station.

-The Woodrow Wilson Foundation has wisely awarded its \$25,-000 prize for the promotion of international peace to the League of Nations. In the final analysis that is the foundation of world-wide

-Anyway, there is no one around this neck of the woods who has a kick coming over the amount of snow he or she has had to shovel thus far this winter. If memory fails not there have been but two falls that a broom would not easily sweep off the sidewalks.

-Was it merely a coincidence make noises like a man desirous of staging a comeback at the time Mr. Tunney was undergoing an operation that will probably make it permanently impossible for him to change his mind about never staging one

do with their religion. For instance quarrel. we never can see the reason for having the ash trays that sit in handy a monkey wrench into the enforceplaces in most homes so darn shiny ment machinery during the Christand clean that one feels like he is mas recess of Congress President committing a crime when he flicks Hoover suggested the creation of a his ashes into them.

the thought that there must be a crimes commission. The Senate few candidates for county offices, promptly, and with surprising unan-Little did we know about the situa- imity, adopted the plan and appointtion when we did. Since then we ed its share of the joint committee. have discovered that the woods are But the House positively refuses to full of them. There are no less concur for the reason, as speaker than eight Republican and four Longworth stated, that "he did not Democrats who are perfectly will- believe in a joint committee which ing to succeed Sheriff "Dep."

about what the Mellons and Grun- That is a fine legal point that the dys and Fishers are doing than we President didn't know about and the do of the Einstein theory, but we lawyers of the Senate overlooked. have a sort of feeling that neither But it has thrown the subject into Benson Taylor, Francis Shunk confusion. The President didn't in-Brown nor Gen. Edward Martin tend to violate the law or break the have a look in for the Republican rules of Congress. His purpose was nomination for Governor. It seems to dodge the issue. Senators had deto us that if Sam Lewis knew his manded a report from the crimes political strategy as well as he does commission, which was neither availthe accounts in Harrisburg he able nor possible and the joint comwould be sitting pretty while all mittee could have served as a smoke these parleys are going on.

-The President's Commission to study crime, the law's handling of it suggestion and prepared the way for and matters collateral thereto has it. But speaker Longworth refused discovered that the country needs to join in the movement and he is bigger prisons. Who was is assured the boss of that important and inus only a few years ago in the Meth- fluential branch of the government, it odist, here, that the prisons would expired. And Longworth isn't an the District of Columbia. No estiall be empty soon? Let's see. We idealist. As a famous Vermont think it was an advocate by the name statesman once said "he could have of the cost or consequence of the of Tope. We didn't wait to meet the been made arrangements with." gentleman because we just had to "walk out on him" when he went so doing in Washington.

The new boost in the millage rate for Centre county taxes carries them to the highest point they have been since the county was erected.

rought it into being. It stayed in chance presents itself. les to join.

on or Kiwanis wants a project for the slate. 930 we suggest one. Let either st week the Bald Eagle Valley is city. The rabble rendered much e best paying single track rail- service but big business helped great. ad in the world and Bellefonte ly. iginates a lot of the freight that akes it such. Keep these facts in g to keep Bellefonte on the map, harmony.

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The House Turns Hoover Down

For the first time since his induction into office the big majority in pudiated President Hoover. The Senate has frequently found pleasure less dissatisfied with the result of just as fanatical with it as others he may have had other causes of

After Senator Borah had thrown joint committee to receive and con-Last week we made mention of sider the promised report of the would take preliminary jurisdiction Of course we know no more from the committees of the House."

> screen to conceal the fact. The dry Senators correctly interpreted the

far to intimate that he could do bet- not run for anything. There are so both in Congress and throughout ter than President Wilson was then many desirable jobs beckoning him the country. that he is lost in confusion.

Bulk Sale Project Abandoned

"The best laid schemes o' mice And, take it from us, it hasn't all and men gang aft a-gley." It might never have become a Senator been made necessary by road im- would be difficult to devise a more in Congress. provements. Creating new offices cunning plan to fool the people of with their attendant costs, dragging Pennsylvania than that adopted by all manner of petty cases into the Vare war board, with or withcourt hirin' and never firin' and sun- out the approval of the boss, to Since Mr. Grundy treated the lobiry other incidental contributions to "bulk-sale" the vote of Philadelphia by investigators cavalierly and was he cost of running the county have to Senator Grundy at the coming generously rewarded by the Republiand a share in making the increasing May primary. The scheme was to can organization for his temerity, purden that is ever being rolled on- induce the Mellon-Grundy machine other witnesses have attempted to o the backs of the tax payers. to nominate Francis Shunk Brown, follow his example. Mr. Pike, a New Coalition government in the city for Governor, and thus rehabilitate York sugar broker, brazenty chargof Lancaster seems to have ended its the torn and tattered Vare machine. ed the Senators with responsibility County Commissioners Make Another areer rather discreditably. It was Vare has been good to the Brown for "bandying the President's name" ill right in its conception because family in the past. He made Fran- in connection with lobby activities t was organized to get rid of a cis Shunk Attorney General and and since that Mrs. Gladys Moon

lower too long itself. Notwithstand- But it appears "the jig is up." ng the high ideals we all prate Mayor Mackey received the proposi- which she refused to answer. bout there is no party in the U. tion with some signs of favor and rill not pledge him or herself to duties at Washington. That was so sented the fact that the committee a good many years ago.

The fact of the matter is that had told you after a cocktail." ne or all of these public welfare Grundy and Mellon and Fisher have Harry Sinclair, millionaire oil mag\_ ers for which the county commisrganizations watch the railroad come to the opinion that the Philanate, was sent to jail for a precisely sioners are not responsible, and erganizations watch the railroad delphia machine is a liability rather similar contempt of the Senate but which will no doubt account for a ny further curtailment of passen- than an asset. Mayor Mackey en- Sheriff Cunningham, of Philadelphia, portion of the necessity of increasing ter Rossman, Gregg township, 7th, found after an examination to be sober er service in and out of Bellefonte courages this idea, though the re- "got away with it." It remains to the millage. ill be attempted, but if it is then sult of the last election ought to be seen what will happen to Mrs. ill be the time to make public persuade him to the contrary. It Jones, If Congressional investigaill be the time to make public for the Public Service Com- able a force can be assembled again fusal to answer relevant questions by county can be taken as a criterion ission his just ruled in the to oppose the organization unless a witness is contempt and the penalission his just ruled in the toppose sinterests, which ty is imprisonment. In any event, Charles P. Long, of Spring Mills, as tat passenger service on its Char- have heretofore responded to the however, the incident has some valers branch, though unprofitable, call for help, can be alienated. Probue. It revealed the methods of the unnot be curtailed for the reason ably the expectation of such a turn- lobby. One is to send the lobbyists lat the freight originating on the over accounts for the attitude of to Congress and another to pay them anch produces a handsome net Grundy and Mellon. It would make liberally in cash. The first method ofit on its operation. As we said a vast difference in the vote of the has been adopted in Pennsylvania.

ind, you gentlemen who are work- cinch" and therefore doesn't need will be made at the election in Treasury Mel'on has hypnotized

"The Mountain Labored and Brought Forth a Mouse."

The preliminary report of the the House of Representatives has re- National Crimes Commission was ary or even improper motives in another strong bid for the State faithful service." Hoover on Monday in a special mesin humiliating him but until now sage. The report cites the "extent the House of Representatives has and perplexities" of the problems inbeen obedient. But the last Presi-volved and the arduous labors perthat Mr. Dempsey should begin to dential expedient for dodging the formed during the seven months of sympathy with their purpose. This one of it's members, Miss Alice prohibition enforcement question has its activities, which is both interest- fact has been roundly condemned by Foust, of Centre Hall, a daughter of proved too much for speaker Nick ing and instructive. It calls to many leading newspapers as well as Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foust, and a Longworth. Possibly the speaker mind that from the earliest period had other grievances against the ad- of our history the enforcement of ministration. He may be more or laws has been resisted for one local reason or another. "We must not the social disturbance in which his forget," it declares, "the many his-—Cleanliness as a virtue is next wife and the sister of Vice President torical examples of large scale pubto Godliness, but some people become Curtis were the opposing leaders. Or lic disregard of laws in our past." In other words, the commmission concludes that violating unpopular legislation is a national habit of

long standing. The report states that the enforcement problem is of vast proportions and gives figures to prove its premises. The 80,000 cases have clogged the courts to the prejudice of more important litigation and the result has not been satisfactory. Relief might be achieved by concentrating enforcement in the judicial department, codifying the enforcement laws, strengthening the injunction law and empowering United States commissioners to hear petty cases. New legislation will be required in each of these reforms and in the present temper of Congress and public opinion it may committee injured the President by take a long time to effect these changes, if it is possible to do so at all. There is little comfort in the suggestion.

The President's message is equally innocuous. He advises Congress to reorganize the federal court structure so as to give relief from congestion, concentrate responsibility in detection and prosecution of prohibition violations concentrate the various agencies engaged in prevenvention of smuggling, provide adequate court and prosecuting officials, expand federal prisons reorand enact specific legislation for propositions. But there can be no doubt of the immediate result. They Secretary of Labor Davis may will serve as a declaration of war

> -Strange things happen. If a western Senator had not blurted out the truth about Governor Fisher's nomination in 1926 Joe Grundy

> Treating the Senate Contemptuously.

mittee on Elections decided in favor own boot straps. of seating Grundy. But the im-Grundy imagines he has "a portant decision on that subject Pennsylvania next fall.

The President and the Lobby.

No serious minded person would impute to President Hoover mercenpresented to Congress by President anything that he did or said in con- championship by 4H lamb feeding nection with the lobby activities in clubs. The county's 4H club not on- the Lackawanna county court of comsome of the Senators conducting the pupil in the grade schools, was ac- first case on Monday. His salary is \$10,investigation as a grave injustice to claimed grand champion with her 000. the President. The other day one of pen of three Southdowns. Miss the witnesses boldly charged the Foust will be on hand with another members of the investigating com- pen this year and they look perfect mittee with responsibility in the specimens of the breed. matter. It was a surprising accusation, for public opinion had fixed the countians attending the State show, blame on the lobbyists.

> leagues in the work as having "a uary 22nd, at 9 o'clock a. m. personal method of appeal to Hoovcations that would most certainly a total of 14 pens or 42 lambs. arise." Mr. Pike imagines that the

making his letters public. Whatever misrepresentation of the pose in writing it is a matter of conjecture but the presumption is fund to greater liberality. But in any event the Senators of the committee are not culpable. Mr. Hoov-His inclination is to hold the friendship of everybody and offend noganize parole and other practices body. In this way he conveys libut there are dangerous pitfalls along the line.

> that it is to get much colder tonight College. and be snowing tomorrow. We'll moon is riding in a sky that is just show. a bit hazy. It is now 7:50 Thursday morning. The temperature is 30 degrees and snowflakes are flying; so the radio wes right.

Tax Raise

Property owners in Centre county year 1930. The last year the Demo- classroom. Mrs. Jones' lobby operations, like cratic board was in office the tax In 1929 there were 1928 projects covers such cases. The law provides that

ighth year and we shall not or- deceive anybody. It is said that the constitution. She expressed ad- ways is given as the excuse for lowsanize a Housecleaning party un- the war board immediately gave up miration of the wisdom of a fellow raising the millage at this time but iss seventy-five per cent of the hope of merging the machines and lobbyist who told her that he burn- it is highly probable that the anlectorate writes to us and prom- that Vare will be supported for ed all his letters within twenty-four nual statement of receipts and ex Senator against Grundy and that hours of receipt and when asked to penditures of the county for 1929 -If the Bellefonte Board of Secretary of Labor Davis will be name the cautious person replied which the county auditors are now rade, the Business Men's Associa- offered the place of Governor on "would you tell something before an at work on, will show a number of investigating committee that a man other extraordinary expenses which have been saddled onto the taxpay-

-If the comments made by varthe reaction to the announcement of a candidate for Congress, is much in his favor.

-Attempting to make business boom when there is no natural silver medal. Samuel Hoy, Howard, stimulus for it is a good bit like 7th, a ribbon. Of course the Senate Com- attempting to lift yourself by your

Secretary of Labor Davis.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-A spoon handle and a knife blade are in the stomach of Charles Schprley, 35, of Chicago, and police said Schprley swallowed the articles in an attempt at suicide while held in the Erie county jail.

-William Francis Lindsay, under arrest as robber of the Farmers and Mer-chants Bank at Hamilton, Va., has been identified as the man who robbed the Abbottstown (Pa.) State bank last November. Wilson Bream, cashier of the Pennsylvania institution, saw Lindsay in a cell at the Leesburg (Va.) jail and made the identification.

-Alice Hottenstein, who lived for thirty-two years with Mrs. Kate Hunsicker in South Lebanon township, Lebanon county, and attended her in her recent illness, is to inherit the estate of Lamb Feeding Club to go to State \$4000 left by Mrs. Hunsicker, who died on January 2, according to terms of the will filed for probate on Saturday. Centre county is going to make The will states that the bequest is "for

-Albert L. Watson, former member of Washington. Yet several of the pro- ly won the major portion of the men pleas, has taken the oath as addifessional lobbyists have associated prizes, last year, at the State farm tional federal judge in the Middle dishis name with their operations as in products show, in Harrisburg, but trict of Pennsylvania. Federal Judge Albert W. Johnson, of Lewisburg, administered the oath in the United States court room at Scranton before a good-

-A dug-out canoe made in 1795 from a solid stick of original white pine, has been purchased by Col. Henry W. Shoemaker from Dudley Martin, of DuBois. It will likely be displayed at Col Shoemaker's McElhattan park. The canoe, which is 25 feet 10 inches in length, with a center width of 38 inches, is the largest of the dug-out canoes in Mr. Martin's possession, and was displayed in 1895 at

-Authority has been granted Adjutant in the Pennsylvania National Guard. General Beary has made arrangements with Lieutenant Colonel William L. Hicks, in charge of the Mt. Gretna military reservation, for procuring the mounts. They will be distributed as replacements among those units which have been short of

Boyd, of Lancaster, was arrested Saturday on 10 warrants charging fraudulent conversion of city funds while in office. The warrants, sought by district attorney Sumner V. Hosterman, were sworn to by detective chief William Sullenberger. An audit following the discovery for all 4H club members to eat and vealed the funds missing amount to sleep at the same place. A very in- \$11,700. Boyd is held in \$10,000 bail. teresting program of activities has He admitted taking the funds, police

tion to showing their exhibits, the nearly a year's delay in completion, has club members will be treated to various sight-seeing trips throughout State Welfare Department, the county opportunity to visit Swift's packing of Welfare, giving her full aproval of the plant to learn the difference between new institution and directing that it be good meat and poor meat and how opened as a home for needy and indigent it is slaughtered. Their time will persons. The commissioners have set

-Lawbreakers in Burnham are going to have tough sledding, for county agent R. C. Blaney and Geo. not only did the borough council elect a Luse of Centre Hall, local lamb club full time police officer last week, for the leader, will be Alice Foust, William first time, but the officials took the first -We had just started this para- Campbell, Margaret Ross, Richard three men arrested by him and found graph to get what "sour grapes" we ner and Fred Luse, of Centre Hall; them guilty of drunken and disorderly could out of thinking that those who Philip Smith of Spring Mills; Clar- conduct and made them dig a ditch for are fortunate enough to be spending ence Hoy and Floyd Weight, of Belle- the street committee. The men were the winter in Florida are not having fonte; Charles Harter, of Nittany; in the county in the decided that in the county jail, but decided that ditch digging might be worse while it

> -A deal involving \$1,000,000 and 700 acres of coal land has been closed at Uniontown between the Clymer National bank, of Clymer, Indiana county, and the Springfield Coal and Coke company. Acording to a deed filed at Uniontown the coal land, in the Indian Creek valley, passed into the hands of the coal concern. A mortgage for \$160,000 was entered. The Springfield company is composed of Indiana county capitalists formerly bondholders in the Saltlick Coal and Coke company. The bank, as partment of Public Instruction on trustee for the bondholders, took over the coal plant in foreclosure proceedings. in the annual State Vocational Pro- The bondholders are said to be preparing to renew operations.

-The poor department of Bradford was to uncover one State statute of 1794 which the rate of 40 tents while mention of the Deity costs 67 cents. Fines collected for the offense are to be given to the city poor department under the terms of the old ruling. Alderman Collins decided

deputy Attorney General, to seek cooperation of district attorneys of the various counties of the State to arrange for payment of fees to physicians engaged to examine motorists arrested for driving while intoxicated. In case of a gene Zerby, Gregg township, 5th, conviction, the deputy held in an opinion to Benjamin G. Eynon, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, the physicians' township, 1st, a gold medal. Ellis expenses could be made a part of the court costs to be paid by the county. A State law permits, Koch ruled, pay-ment of the fees out of the State funds in cases where the person arrested is

-Whether saxophone playing is music or whether it is hawking was the problem Pottsville council has left to Mayor -Winner's Class-William Camp- John B. Dengler for his decision. The saxophone band from Minersville serenaded on city streets, and its leader was arrested. Monday night council attempted to dispose of the matter, but a wide divergence of opinion arose. Some coun-Home Improvement—W. Vernon cilmen thought saxophone playing should thought it should be placed in the same class with peddling, hawking is necessary for any activity in this latter classification. Unable to reach a decision, council finally decided to give the matter to the mayor for a solution. Mayor Dengler has indicated that if saxophone playing is found to be music, he will offer apologies to the Minersville band leader.

For the information of Centre

Show

NO. 3.

next week, it can be said, the Centre The author of this strange theory county boys' and girls' exhibit will was H. H. Pike, a New York sugar be located in the Rhoads building, broker. During the examination corner of Forster and Cowden the Williamsport centennial. some of the letter files of his office streets. The same building will house were offered in evidence in which the 4H club baby peef exhibit, swine General Frank D. Beary by the War Defrequent references were made to and wool in addition to the entire partment to purchase sixty-nine horses for the actions of the President. In one 4H club lamb exhibit. The lambs of them he spoke of one of his col-will be judged on Wednesday, Jan-The pens will be divided into varer and is going to see that Hoover ious classes according to breeds. Cen-

rets full but concise data on the sug- tre county boys and girls will be er subject. It is his belief that Hoov-represented by 2 pens of grade er will oppose the sugar matter and Southdowns, 4 pens of grade Chev- horses. see that it doesn't get through in iots 2 pens of grade Shropshires and Former city controller Ralph J. view of the Latin-American compli- 6 pens of grade Hampshires, making The members of the club will at-

tend the show, as a group, from Monday until Thursday. Complete arrangements have been made by President is implied in this instance the 4H club office at State College of several thousand dollars shortage restrong that it was to induce the contributors to the lobby corruption bers while in Harrisburg. In addivarious sight-seeing trips throughout er's habits of life and action may the Capitol city. They will have an from Mrs. E. S. H. McCauley, Secretary cense to every adventurer who be completely taken up by educathe new building will be thrown open to worms a way into his presence to tional and recreational featurers. mate is given in either instrument of the cost or consequence of the ject. It is an easy road to travel the courty under the direction of Lawbreakers in Bur

tre county, under the direction of much on us by way of mild LeRoy Bechtol, of Howard; Harold weather when the radio bawled out Homan and Lee Homan, of State lasted, but it would be over sooner.

All the members were in Bellewait until morning before finishing fonte, last Saturday, in consultation this one just to see what happens. with county agent Blaney getting It is now 8:50 Wednesday night. The last minute pointers in the final temperature is 40 degrees and a full preparation of their exhibits for the

> Centre Countians Won Seventeen State Prizes.

The vocational division of the De-Wednesday announced the winners ject Contest in Agriculture. Each egime that had been too long in his son judge of Common Pleas Jones "a good-looking young woman will have to pay close to \$34,000 farm boy studying Vocational Agriower in that city. It's failure is court. He has ample right, there-publicity agent," practically laughed more in county taxes this year than culture in the State conducts an operational Agrienriched recently because Lowell Osborne, receable to the very thing that fore, to expect reciprocity if the the committee out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprise on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises on his own form out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprises of raceable to the very thing that fore, to expect reciprocity if the the committee out of court by "wise they did last year because of a two enterprise on his own farm, putting man. Alderman Harry Collins, cracks," in her answers to what she mill increase recently decided upon into practice the theory of scientific whom Osborne was given a hearing on called "silly" questions some of by the county commissioners for the agriculture which he learns in the the charge, dug into the laws of the past

i. A. and there never will be one Governor Fisher listened to the arthose of Mr. Pike, were in the intermillage was six mills. Two years in the State which met the min- ordinary swear words are punishable at hat can continue in power for a guments in its support with symp- est of a low rate of tariff on sugar, ago, or the first year for the Repub- imum standard requirements in the ong period without becoming cor- toms of satisfaction. But when and her employer was the United lican board, the rate was raised to thirteen contests open for comupt. For that reason we believe the time arrived to put it before States Chamber of Commerce for eight mills, and now it has been in- petition. On December 15, 440 rehat there ought to be a third par- Grundy and Mellon they failed to Cuba. She employed various writ- creased to ten. This is the highest cord books representing the very y organized, called the House- appear at the meeting and the on- ers, generally persons related to or the county tax rate has ever been best of these eligible projects were that Osborne had used up words worth leaning party. Nobody should be ly explanation given was that the closely associated with influential in Centre county while it has been sent to Harrisburg to compete in \$1.17. Osborne paid and the poor departligible to membership in it who Senator was busy with his official men in government service, and re- as low as three mills, but that was the final contest. The Centre county winners of the first ten places in \_\_Officers of the State Highway Paote the Housecleaners ticket every obvious a subterfuge that it didn't had some of her letters in violation of Of course improved State high- each of these contests are as fol-

> Truck Growing-Kenneth Johnson, Gregg township, 5th, a ribbon, Corn-Stellard Beightol, Gregg township, 2nd, silver medal, J. Eua ribbon.

Smal grains-Nevin Stover Gregg Rearick, Gregg township, 3rd, a bronze medal. John Mercinger, Gregg township, 6th, a ribbon, Lesa ribbon, Rufus Hettinger Gregg, or in instances of nolle pros. township, 8th a ribbon. George Lohr, Gregg township, 9th a rib-

bell Gregg township, 4th, a ribbon. problem originated New Year's eve. A Sheep-Ellis Rearick, Gregg township, 2nd, a silver medal. Lewis Ilgen, Gregg township, 3rd, a bronze medal.

Godshall, Gregg township, 2nd, a be classified as art or music; but others Swine-William Campbell, Gregg

township, 2nd, a silver medal. Dairy-Bieber Rishel, Gregg town-Poultry—Russel Mark

Probably Secretary of the ship, 3rd, a bronze medal. township, 10th, a ribbon.