

INK SLINGS

In any event the Philadelphia gang will not move its base to Harrisburg, this year.

The President hurried home on Sunday to find out that he doesn't know much about tariff building.

The "wet" party was an unknown quantity in the equation. Hereafter its strength may be estimated more accurately.

The navy men are opposed to six inch guns at any price and a million dollars is a sum of at least eight inch calibre.

Senator Borah is rushing action on the London treaty. He doesn't want public sentiment to develop on the wrong side.

The threat of an extra session of the Senate seems to have had more force than all the arguments in favor of the London pact.

The astronomical scientists have decided to call the new planet Pluto in honor of "dark and distant regions" through which it rides.

Senators and Representatives Congress have now tackled a job their own size. They are holding "horse shoe pitching tournament" in Washington, to-day.

When the Democratic State central committee meets at Harrisburg, next Thursday, to select a state chairman for the coming year should elect John R. Collins, if he can be persuaded to continue the general service he has given the party since assuming that office. His has been a labor of love, but it has been a mighty creditable labor.

Mr. Grundy admits that his Fort to get a chance to succeed himself in the United States Senate cost him \$291,000. Of this sum very cent but \$40,000.00 came out of his own pocket. Probably a quarter of a million dollars means nothing to Mr. Grundy. When we think of that much money we can't conceive of any office we'd trade it for.

Parking conditions are becoming serious in the central sections of Bellefonte that something will have to be done for the business houses and residences affected. By way of solution we suggest to council that pass an ordinance making it unlawful for any one to park a car directly in front of the entrance to business place, residence or garage or in this borough. People living beyond the boundaries of Allegheny shop, Spring and Howard streets have no conception of what parking means, on Wednesday and Saturday nights, to those who live within those boundaries. There is no more reason for a doctor or a hotel proprietor having a preempted space than there is for a grocer, a printing office or a resident. In fact the resident is most entitled to it because he or she is only asking for a chance to get into his own home.

If the Philadelphia Republicans want candidates who can beat Pinchot why don't they impress "Amos and Andy." There's a team to injure with. The country is so crazy about them that they'd actually find a host of supporters were they injected into a presidential race. And why have they made countless names in this broad land change their dinner hour since they started their patter on daylight saving time. We can tell you one reason: No one has ever heard either "Amos" or "Andy" utter a blasphemous word, no one has ever heard either one of them resort to a risqué story or a shady insinuation. They are clean as hound's teeth, their scoundrels are just what everybody gets into and "Amos" vein of candor and caution and "Andy's" subtle thoughtfulness of the morning are types of exactly what all of us see every day of our lives. To those who really get "Amos and Andy" it is easy to understand their hold on the millions who make no gagaments for the period that they are on the air.

In a speech in Philadelphia, on Monday, Mr. Pinchot took it for granted that the fight for Governor to be a "wet" and "dry" contest. How the gentleman gets that way only those who know how to ky he is understanding. He is in-ming the church people, bamboozling them into flocking to his inner with statements that are only half truths. Mr. Hemphill is candidate for Governor, also. He made no statement as to where he stands on the prohibition question. Until he does that Mr. Pinchot is assuming a condition that does not exist. Besides, it doesn't matter whether the Governor of Pennsylvania is "wet" or "dry." He can't change the Eighteenth amendment.

Smith, a "wet," was Governor of New York when Pinchot, a "dry," was Governor of Pennsylvania and so is there to say that conditions are any worse in New York city or they were in Philadelphia or Pittsburgh? In the election of United States Senator this question is important; for a Senator has voice in making enforcement laws. As it happens Mr. Pinchot's running mate, James J. Davis, is a "wet" at heart. And we would like to know whether Mr. Pinchot hoping that the church people will rally to Davis, also.

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Democrats Nominated Pinchot. Can They Elect Hemphill?

So far as our memory carries the result of the recent primary has never had a parallel in the political history of Pennsylvania. Even a thought that the minority party in the State could nominate the candidate for Governor of the majority party would have been considered too ridiculous for conception prior to last Tuesday; yet that is exactly what happened. Mr. Pinchot was nominated by Democrats who had changed their registration in order to vote for him at the Primary. If you think this is not so, take Centre county as a base for a bit of computation. The records in the County Commissioner's office show that exactly 358 Democrats changed their registration this spring. This is not guess work. It is fact, for each one of their certifications is on file and can be seen by anyone. In addition to these personal certifications of change the assessors changed the registration of many Democrats. Just how many, can only be ascertained by comparison of the old and new registry lists. We have every reason to believe, for we have the personal statements of a number of them, that ninety per cent of those who changed their registration did it for the sole purpose of voting for Pinchot.

This changing of party affiliation was a matter of pre-primary interest all over the State and it is reasonably certain that it went on, more or less, in every county in the State.

Leaders of the Women's Christian Temperance Union urged it. They were even so insistent upon its being done that they told officers of local Unions that if they failed to do so they would be unfaithful to their organization and should resign their offices.

With such an influence at work on those who visualize and idealize Pinchot as a second Roosevelt isn't it probable that fully as large a percentage of the electorate changed in every county in the State as did in Centre. There are sixty seven counties and if only four hundred Democrats in each of them professed to be Republicans in order to vote for their idol in the primaries they would have given him, at the very least, twenty six thousand, eight hundred votes. This is a total far in excess of his majority over Mr. Brown.

Waiving discussion of the moral delinquency in such a practice we are at a loss to understand the mental processes of Democrats who indulged it. If elected Governor Mr. Pinchot will not do a thing for Pennsylvania that Mr. Hemphill, the nominee of the Democratic party will not do. Mr. Pinchot promised to do a lot of things that he knew he couldn't do unless he had a favorable Legislature with him and in those promises practiced deception on the credulous who didn't think far enough to discover the deception. Mr. Pinchot cannot reduce the tax on gasoline. He can't put the cost of a motor driver's license down a cent. Nor can he reduce the motor license fee without the consent of the Legislature.

While not so pyrotechnical Mr. Hemphill is just as able and honorable as the Sage of Milford and, it is our belief that as a Democrat and as Governor, he could get more by way of beneficial legislation from the next session of the General Assembly than Mr. Pinchot can if he finds himself in the executive mansion after next November.

As Governor, Pattison did more for Pennsylvania than Pinchot did. Refute that if you can.

As State Treasurer, William H. Berry did immeasurably more for Pennsylvania than Pinchot did as Governor. Refute that if you can.

We are not impugning Mr. Pinchot's motives or his desires. We are stating facts. Already the forces of the Republican organization in the State are at work to circumvent his election. They might not be able to accomplish that purpose, but they will make sure that the Senate and the House are made up of enough Members who can be depended upon to deny Pinchot any legislation that would tend to exalt him into a national political figure. Nothing is nearer the heart of Pennsylvania's Republican organization than to have a Presidential nominee, but it will be fighting to keep that glory away from Pinchot. And if he is elected Governor it will fight him in Harrisburg from January 1931 until January 1935.

Aside from this, for the first time in years, the Democrats have a real chance to elect a Governor. And what are we Democrats for? Surely it has not been for the political leaves and fishes. We are Democrats because of a conviction that our ideals of government are better than those of the opposition. We proved the truth of that conviction when Robert E. Pattison had a chance in the gubernatorial chair. We proved it when Woodrow Wilson was in the White House.

Let us grasp this chance to prove it again by electing Hemphill Governor of Pennsylvania.

Opportunity to show that the party we are affiliated with is something more than a name is knocking at our door now, but we won't grasp it if too many of us are Pinchot minded and the facts revealed by the recent primary indicate that many are.

Let us make no fusions, no deals with anyone. Let us face the campaign fairly and squarely as Democrats, a cohesive, virile party eager to show Pennsylvania what we can do if the reins of government are thrown into our hands next November.

A Democratic administration at Harrisburg would be better for Pennsylvania, it would be better for the Republican party in the State, than anything else, politically, that could happen at this time to either.

And there will be a Democratic administration at Harrisburg if Democrats and the "wets" and the "drys" and the warring Republican factions join us in the offer of a truce long enough to give them time to ponder whether they are drifting.

Morrow Surprises the Country.

Has Ambassador Dwight W. Morrow written a new political map of the United States? A week ago Mr. Morrow was widely believed to be the Hoover candidate for the Republican nomination for United States Senator for New Jersey. A lot of machinery had been set in motion to compass this purpose. He had somewhat distinguished himself as Ambassador in Mexico and was favored by the President with an appointment as delegate to the London naval conference. Senator Edge had been induced to resign the toga to make room for Morrow and to accommodate his convenience a temporary appointment was made. Finally he determined to defer entrance into the Senatorial arena until elected by the people.

Upon his return from London, where he may have been a very useful though an inconspicuous member of the naval conference, he was offered the Senatorial commission under the original agreement supposed to have been approved by the President, but declined the honor. Last week, however, at a meeting held in Newark, he not only announced his candidacy for the Senate but phrased it in language

BORROWING FROM SMITH.

From the Boston Post.

Former Governor Smith's solution of the prohibition question, as put forward by him the 1928 campaign and sharply criticized by the Republican campaign speakers, now receives the formal endorsement of Dwight W. Morrow, who makes it the chief plank in his platform in his quest for the Republican senatorial nomination in New Jersey.

Mr. Smith proposed the repeal of the eighteenth amendment by the substitution thereof of an amendment restoring to the States the power to determine their own policy toward the liquor traffic.

This proposal has been adopted by Mr. Morrow in its entirety.

The significance of the Morrow stand on prohibition rests in the close personal and political relationship between Pres. Hoover and Mr. Morrow. It would be very far fetched to argue that Mr. Morrow's stand commits the President in any way, but at the same time, Mr. Morrow would be hardly likely to run on a platform which was distasteful to President Hoover.

Mr. Morrow goes the full distance as a wet. He evidently has little sympathy with "modification" ideas. He is for "repeal." The Literary Digest poll has shown that repeal sentiment is vastly stronger than modification sentiment among the opponents of prohibition.

New Jersey is emphatically a wet State. Mr. Morrow's stand is calculated to help him politically. Nevertheless, so high-minded a man as Dwight Morrow can hardly be accused of shifting his position from motives of expediency.

Just how far Mr. Morrow's views will affect the Republican campaign is a question. Candidates in dry States will repudiate it with scorn. But a number of Republican candidates who are at present on "the fence" may be influenced to take a position in favor of repeal.

Meanwhile, former Governor Smith may contemplate the situation with an amused smile. He has made a convert of one of the most powerful (if not the most powerful) figures in the Hoover administration, who appears to have rejected the prohibition policy of his chief for that of the leader of the Democratic Party.

Political Probing.

From the Harrisburg Telegraph.

The Forbes magazine declares that political probing has been running amuck and asks, "why not a thorough-going probe of the probers?" It is pointed out by the influence of politicians on business, that a jury of American people, conducting a probe of efficiency, the business-like methods—rather the inefficiency, the unbusiness-like methods of the United States Senators would declare as thoroughly capable the business executives who are the victims of the Senate critics. Various Washington politicians, it is asserted, are aching to inject the government still deeper into business.

What proof, asks this magazine, have politicians given in the past of their superlative capability for running or directing the running of business or other enterprises. Illustrating this point the attempt to run the nation's railroads during the war, which required railway managers years to undo the colossal blunders then perpetrated.

Then the government entered the shipping business on a grand scale, making another deplorable failure. Even the politicians have become reconciled to the entire necessity for turning over shipping to those who know it. Prison doors were opened for punishment of those who injected politics into the administration of the Veterans' Bureau.

It is further argued that politically-appointed judges have favored friends in allotting fat receiverships and the losses suffered by creditors have been staggering. So scandalous did conditions become in New York city that drastic action was finally found necessary as a remedy. Services of large banking institutions were enlisted. Other flagrant abuses resulting from the injection of politics into business are presented in support of this stinging arraignment as to the shortcomings of the so-called statesmen who have made a holy show of themselves at Washington in recent months.

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, who lives in Illinois, seems to have "granted, bargained, sold, aliened, enfeoffed, released, conveyed and confirmed" the votes of the miners of Pennsylvania to the Vare machine.

If Mr. Curran, of New York, president of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, has good sense he will keep his fingers and mouth out of the Pennsylvania campaign.

The big vote for Pinchot in Luzerne county is an appropriate response to the order of President Lewis, of the United Mine Workers' organization, to vote for the other fellow.

SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

James Maurer, of Reading, who served for sixteen years as president of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, advocated a four-day week and a four-hour day in an address at the organization's twenty-ninth annual convention in Altoona this week.

A separate judicial district for Mifflin county has been sought for several years and is expected to be realized at the next session of the Legislature. This is due to the fact that in the census just recently taken Mifflin county has gone over the 40,000 mark.

As the result of a dynamiting case that occurred in DuBois nine years ago "Big Angelo" Carmella, who was arrested in Buffalo recently, must serve a period of from 6 to 12 years in the western penitentiary, in compliance with a sentence passed out in Clearfield court Monday by Judge A. R. Chase.

In a desperate defense of his realm against an invader a bald eagle perished in Buffalo Valley, Perry county, last week. Farmers saw him make a furious swoop at an airplane as it appeared over the mountains. He hit the propeller head on. The farmers found the decapitated body. The wing spread was six feet.

When a silver from a large spike which he was driving into a railroad tie flew off and severed his jugular vein, while at work on the Western Maryland Railroad in Franklin county, Charles O. Nichols, 26, employed as a section hand by the railroad company, died in the Waynesboro hospital Friday evening.

Eleven persons were driven to the street and damage estimated by firemen at \$30,000 was caused by fire which ate its way through the third floor of the Journal building at Bradford early on Monday. The fire was believed to have originated from an overheated water heater. Firemen from nearby towns helped local firemen fight the blaze.

Pennsylvania's Associated, Inc., an organization of men interested in attracting visitors to this State, with Governor John S. Fisher, as honorary chairman of the administrative advisory committee, is planning a gathering which will be asked to formally endorse a program. This meeting is to be addressed by men successful in gaining business for their communities.

A joint fee of \$500,000 for services as counsel of the Rodman Wanamaker estate, of which \$100,000 already has been paid, will go to Owen J. Roberts, recently appointed associate justice of the United States Supreme court, and Maurice Bower Saul, Philadelphia attorney. The Wanamaker estate is appraised at \$53,434,907, and the income tax on same, federal and State, will be \$2,800,000.

When three of the four living graduates of the class of 1880 of the Pennsylvania State College meet at the College for their fiftieth commencement anniversary this June, they will see a class being graduated which will make the year's graduation total more than one hundred times as large as their own. Seven were graduated in the class while more than 700 will receive their diplomas in 1930. Of these 620 will be granted on June 10.

A new menace to the conservation of ruffed grouse has turned up in Mifflin county. While driving his grocery truck, R. S. Kauffman, of Lewistown, sighted 10 young grouse stuck fast in tar recently put on the new highway near Three Springs. He rescued the birds, took them to Orbisonia, and notified deputy game warden S. H. Price, who placed the birds with a chicken hen, but the coat of tar on their feet and exposure had so weakened them that they all died.

State Librarian Frederic A. Goddard is preparing to have conveyed to the State museum at Harrisburg the Indian collection of Jerald B. Fenstermacher, well-known Lancaster county authority on Indian life and habitat. The collection embraces more than 30,000 pieces, running all the way from beads up to Indian pots and pipes. The collection was made for the most part in Lancaster county. It is one of the largest and most valuable in the country. It represents a lifetime of work on the part of Mr. Fenstermacher, and has been bought by the State for a nominal sum.

More than \$1000 in counterfeit money was found by State policemen in the home of Dominick Lardine, of Moccasin, Columbia county after he was arrested on a charge of passing counterfeit money. He is held in the Columbia county jail for further investigation before being turned over to Federal authorities. His arrest followed the passing of counterfeit money at four gasoline stations between Bloomsburg and Danville. In his home Corporal Newman found 47 \$10 bills and 17 \$20 bills, all counterfeit Federal Reserve notes. They are described as being good imitations.

The search for Anthony Celin, 50 years old, of North Fork, Elk county, was brought to an end Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the finding of his body about 1,000 feet from the limb in the mountains, hanging to the limb of a tree. Celin disappeared from his home two weeks ago last Saturday without hat or coat, and his family feared that he had been overcome by illness in the woods. The body was found by John Mullanpaupt and a detail of St. Mary's junior traffic police, after an intensive 6-hour search of that section where he was last seen. He leaves a wife and four children.

Many problems of vital importance to boroughs of the State will come up for discussion at Beaver Falls June 11, 12 and 13, at the twentieth annual convention of the State Association of Boroughs. The matter of uniform traffic ordinances will be one of the most topics, and the speakers who will discuss the subject include Benjamin C. Eynon, State Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, Stephen G. Rush, financial director of Cleveland, will talk on matter pertinent to borough finances and Chas. H. Young, State Public Service Commissioner, will speak on the topic, "The Public Service Commission and Its Relation to Municipalities." United States Senator David A. Reed and Secretary of Labor James J. Davis are expected to address the annual banquet on the evening of the 11th.