# Democratic Matchman

#### INK SLINGS.

-Don't dispair! If you can't find a tea room or gas station to operate it's not too late to run for a county office.

-Probably President Hoover would be perfectly willing to reveal his attitude on the prohibition question if he knew it himself.

----The suffering in the drought regions is increasing but the victims have assurance that the heart of the administration is bleeding for them.

the use of pursuing the subject further?

----Let us hope that the investigation of the Public Service Commission will be searching and com-There are plenty of reasons plete. for it.

might be a good remedy for such the Power Trust.

of futility.

have listened in on the prayers that went up to Heaven to make this country dry.

-Maybe if Mrs. Sabin will promise to pay all the expenses Professor Irving Fisher will accept her invitation to spend five days in a speak easy.

United States is drawing to a close. Shoals is defeated it will control The 4th of March is only a trifle in 1932. more than a month off.

the State College Times kicked issue, but we can't because we did victims in Arkansas. But he is the same thing last year.

no mercy. ness we have seldom heard of.



Democratic Senators Too Easy.

ed to have his own way in every- tion, therefore, the Democratic floor Governor and the House in his fa- stifled it in committees or mutilated thing. Probably a sharp rebuke leader is playing into the hands of vor. If that be true neither has an it on the floor of that chamber.

and that expresses the refinement political issue of the future is pow-

directions and increasing in force whether the Weather Man might as it comes. For years the Republican party has been giving it aid and comfort and unless it is checked in the near future it will have it with new life and strength by

control of the government of the ing transmission lines at Muscle these conditions into consideration ures and proposed corrective legis- all the way down to the Gulf, and it controlled the election of 1928.

Senator Robinson is wise and -We'd like to laugh at the way fully justified in insisting on an

neither wise nor consistent in op-

There ought to be no serious op-

satisfied. But according to current gossip at Hoover is not concerned in the in-Harrisburg and newspaper state- terests or prosperity of the people. those cities which depend on the ments there is no such harmony. The legislation urged by Senator appropriation, in the form of a The friends of the Governor in the Wagner, Democrat, of New York, ter, more than half gone, has "rider" for the relief of the drought Senate have demanded that he be might not have produced an imground hog day around in its last "rider" for the relief of the drought Senate have demanded that he be might not have produced an imallowed to name three members of mediate restoration of prosperity. the joint committee. That would But it would have mitigated the dis---If the vandals who wrecked the posing an appropriation, because it give his friends an assured control tress, palliated the evil and hasten-interior of that summer home up at is a "rider" for the purpose of of the report, if one is ever made. ed the remedy. But because Senasnow Shoe Intersection are appre- building transmission lines at Muscle If the purpose of the inquiry is to tor Wagner is a Democrat, and for hended we hope the law will show Shoals. The President and the Re-disclose the facts there is no need the reason that some of the credit Such wanton devilish-such wanton devilish-publican leaders of the Senate have for assured control on either side. for improvement might have gone From the Philadelphia Record. been making monkeys of the Demo- With a committee equally divided a to the Democratic party, President -President Hoover's statement of crats ever since the present session false report would be impossible even Hoover deliberately compassed its Bruening, prepared the way for the -President Hoover's statement of began. The only advantage ob-his case against Congress, that was began. The only advantage ob-though it were the purpose of one defeat. When Senator Robinson, new session of the national Legisla-

funds for building transmission lines position to the joint resolution in- October, 1929, and the industrial developed the fact that Connie tunds for building transmission mices position to the joint resolution in October, 1923, and the industrial Vanderbilt did meet Mussolini what's at the Muscle Shoals plant Senator troduced by Senator Ernest, of Har- depression and paralyzing unem-Robinson is not only serving the risburg, recently. It proposes a ployment set in soon after. During interests of the Hoover administra- joint legislative investigation of the the year that elapsed between that tion but he is promoting the pur-body has here under entities for the parties promoting the purpose of the Power Trust to seize that body has been under criticism for tion of last year President Hoover valuable property of the people. Af- many years. It has been charged did nothing of value or merit to ing felt most are not agricultural; ter ten years of strenuous work with favoring the utility corpora- remedy the distress which was ap-Senator Norris has finally forced tions in practically every case parent to every healthy mind. The a general water shortage. Congress to sanction government brought before it in which such Democratic Senators and Represen--Wouldn't it be funny if Gen. operation of the Muscle Shoals corporations were concerned. The tatives in Congress urged paliative plant. But the achievement is of resolution is absolutely fair in its and remedial legislation, some of Butler should prove that he told the plant. But the achievement is of resolution is absolutely fair in its and remediat registration, some of now sufficient water for only a little everything valuable was in the safe in now sufficient water for only a little everything valuable was in the safe in the but the Boundhier material in the Boundhier material i Washington do then? Recall the and in the absence of an appropria- mittee composed of an equal numand in the absence of an appropriation intere composed of an equal number of Representatives, it is said, heavy snows or rains come mean-tion to build them there can be no ber from each branch. It is assum--President Hoover is determin- lines. In fighting the appropria- ed that the Senate is against the under the mandate of the President,

advantage. It's a 50-50 proposition. When the result of the vote of last ht be a good remedy for such the Power Trust. Are the Democratic leaders of the Senate basking in the sunshine —A bill to establish the whiper control? It is coming from all complain of an inquiry by a joint longed special session he smugly committee on which he is quite as sat in the White House like a strong as his enemies. The mem- Sphinx while Jim Watson, Joe Grunsion are entitled to a full and fair politics and the unemployment inhearing of the charges that have creased and the physical suffering been made against them. With of the people multiplied. He even nerable. Calvin Coolidge invested equal representation on the board of imagined that the people were enaminquisition they ought to be satis- ored of him and his methods. But The public wants neither when he discovered that his party's and by the profligate use of money persecution nor favoritism as the control was in danger and his chances result of the investigation and is en- of re-election menaced he promptly low levels, game birds and fishes father kill himself on a side porch. titled to a just verdict. Taking all set about devising remedial meas-

These facts show that Herbert

The Wall Street panic occurred in From the Philadelphia Public Ledger. The agricultural lands of the are not the only sufferers South Pennsylvania the drought. from has been hard hit. Parts of Ohio, of New Jersey, large sections of New feeling it. And the effects now be- ruary 22, were announced by the George

or early summer will find America's by the crash, could reach the main enbiggest city on decidedly short wa-ter rations. The supply now in -Fly-by night merchants are classified

plies shrunken by lack of rainfall and given but little business men.

dwindled.

suffering. Now the effect has crept Louisiana's pelicans are dying from

The aftermath of the drought has struck, and its worst blow falls on streams for their water. The winhas Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Omaha, even Seattle and Los Angeles, are asking, "Will the snows come, and will they be sufficient?"

#### Bruening Prescribes for Germany.

The German Chancellor, Herr released on Tuesday, got him just about as far as the report of the Wickersham commission pushed the enforcement problem toward solunances; live economically, so that chief of the bureau of communicable dis-Since the World war this country the State may calculate its income eases, for this unusual record. The re-----Possibly paying the soldiers has had the most corrupt adminis- correctly and make its appropria- port further advises there is every indicompensation certificates now might tration in its history under Harding, tions effectively. That was the sum cation that the present spectacular de-Chancellor Bruening reminded the course. people that debt collection by the Allies is not an isolated cause of improve the health of many good present indications point to an end Germany's troubles. The young reof such humiliations as well as of public, like all other nations, should powder in the basement of a home at the corrupt political machine which realize that four years of world war Harrison. Somerset county, last Thursnounce that our January business was just \$1.81 more than that of January 1930. Gosh, if that keeps continues "to play politics at the inadequacy of the appropriation be upproductive" ognizes that there must be still ing on the water pipe. The powder further readjustments of the war was for use in connection with debt problem. Germany is not be- line's work as an employee of the Saxing hounded; no loser in a great man Coal company. Friedline was in-war ever was let off so easily. Most jured seriously and was taken to the budget read to the General Assem-bly in joint session of Tuesday afternoon, presented an interesting of the "plain people" of Germany must perceive that fact. Their task is to get the better of the is a scarcity of fresh vegetablee at this and comprehensive survey of the yammering minority that doesn't season of the year. State institutions fiscal affairs of the State as they want a settlement-wants nothing under the jurisdiction of the State Deappear to his optimistic mind. He but continued trouble and unrest. expects to have available during the And if the plain people of Ger- twenty-two different kinds biennium \$347,425,251.64 and recom- many are as wise as we think they vegetables. Included in the list of vegebiennium \$347,425,251.64 and recom-mends the appropriation of exactly that sum He proproses to take that sum. He proposes to take tions for a while and set their own parsley, horse-radish, mushrooms, danover and maintain 20,000 miles of house in order, will have precisely delion and oyster plant. Of the three rural roads, doesn't promise to ac- the effect of facilitating a final read- institutions showing the highest number complish that right away, but "when justment of war debts, on the credit- of variety, Danville State hospital led clares "it is the largest undertaking Bruening packed volumes of mean- closely by the Harrisburg and Allentown ever contemplated by any highway ing into one sentence: "There is State hospitals. nothing more dangerous than public

### SPAWLS FROM THE KEYSTONE

-John Pastal, Lebanon barber, has done his share toward aiding the unemployed. In one day recently he cut the hair of more than seventy needy persons free of charge.

-In commemoration of the services of the late Dr. Charles Thomas Aikens during his 22 years as president of Susquehanna University, his portrait was unveiled in Seibert Hall at the University, on Monday night, as the gift of the Ladies Auxiliary of the institution.

-"'I didn't care whether I profited by it or not," said Louis Pieri, cigar store owner at Mahoney City, on Monday, when asked why he acted so rashly during a poker game. Pieri had drawn a royal flush, the first one in his lifetime, and in his excitement threw the cards on the table and failed to profit by the hand.

-After a silence of nearly 100 years, the Liberty Bell in Independence hall, Philadelphia, is to be rung again. Plans have the bell tapped 13 times, once to for each of the original States, on Feb-Washington bicentennial commission last

revealed by a survey of the supply but Hazleton offers a thief who broke available in the city's normal out. He hid in the Feeley theatre and sources. This shows that there is after it closed for the night found that while, this means that late spring He got away before the police, attracted

ter rations. The supply now in --Fly-by night merchants are classified storage in the four principal systems in Hazleton as those who do not stay

ping post in Pennsylvania has been of a fool's paradise? Are they un-introduced in the General Assembly, able to see that the paramount issue. That being the case his friends have no reason to first Contract solution of the Seventy-towns in Obio in New England in last summer's City Council at the request of local

> help by the winter's extremely light \_\_\_Frank W. Mountz, 32, shot and killbers of the Public Service Commis- dy and Nick Longworth played snowfalls, have dwindled or disap- ed himself at his home in North Middlepeared. Emergency supplies have ton township, Monday morning, in view been tapped, and even they have of his wife and children, after wrangling with his wife because she trumped a

The rural districts felt this pinch trick of his at a card party at a months ago. Wells and springs never before dry have failed. Even in the far north the lack of water ed a couple of hours, and the children was felt, lakes and streams being at were aroused from sleep to see their

--Identification of the man who shot himself and then plunged into the upper rapids of the Niagara river near the brink of the American falls, last week, was established as Harry L. MacLay, 60 years old, of Huntingdon, Pa. Identification was made by Irving I. Cannon. of Niagara Falls. Cannon said that MacLay was an uncle of his first wife and that before he left Huntingdon on Wednesday told a friend that he intended to commit suicide. When the friend read in the newspapers of the Falls suicide he immediately telephoned Cannon and asked him to view the body.

-According to reports announced Monday by Secretary of Health Dr. Theodore B. Appel, from the bureau of communicable diseases, the diphtheria incldent for the past twelve months in crease in diphtheria will continue its -A blow torch being used to thaw a frozen water pipe exploded a keg of partment of Welfare recently exhibited of fresh with twenty different kinds, followed -Luzerne county will have to pay Joseph Linski, \$5 a day for part of the of Andrew Vetrick and Victor Lomitch, charged with murder. Linski could not find \$1000 bail so was committed as a material witness on March 8, 1929, at \$1.50 per day. On March 21, 1929, the Legislature fixed a daily rate of \$5 for compensation for imprisoned witnesses. that last year Pennsylvania land-lords, tradesmen and gas dealers lost pretty nearly a like sum in

tion.

of Oklahoma, has made Will Rogers effort. paradin' himself.

January, 1930. Gosh, if that keeps up we see a six-year old winter overcoat on the way to next fall's rummage sale.

-If you need any lions, tigers or for years. The prices on rhinoceroses and giraffes have not fallen much, without them.

gender. Johnny Doblebower, of Cur- sale of the police power by the tin street, Bellefonte, went up to the State thereby cheapening the sover-County Treasurer's office some days eignty of the Commonwealth. With ago to get a license for his pet. the corporations paying these police When asked: "Is it a male or fe- they would scarcely be considered male?" He replied: "It ain't neither. neutral and in time of strife their lions to promote his ambition. Its an a-i-r-d-a-l-e!"

-Unless Governor Pinchot hurries their paymasters." faithful in Centre county there is forceful reasons for objecting to the traditions of beneficence, is being going to be a lot of eye trouble to Governor's plan. It would obligate prostituted to this base service. be looked after here. His lieutenants the State to pay the expense of John Barton Payne, executive head have been stretching their optic training and maintaining a force of the organization, appeared before nerves in order to see jobs in Har- "created solely for the benefit of the committee and declared that risburg entirely too long.

-Last year Pennsylvania autoists lege of driving cars. It is likely police powers have been conferred performed for nearly a hundred the annual report of mineral outpaid sixty-six million dollars in vabad debts because they had that privilege.

of explosion. With the political using any instrument available for of the President, that the \$10,000,-

is not capitalizing a revival on the power and cherishes what seems an is a shameful spectacle to contem-"world's coming to an end."

sion lines is made. This can be ac- laughed out of court. -- "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, Governor complished by united and determined

a colonel on his staff. Will is to The Hoover administration can't be "in charge of the nut brigade." allord all extra session of Congress. "Alfalfa Bill" picked just the right The Republican party will make any is compensation in the hone that it the most stupid under Coolidge and Chanceller Brencher B leader if he expects to do any concession to avert an early assembling of the new Congress. That -By way of adding a little opti- being true the minority in the presmism to the outlook we wish to an- ent Congress has a right to demand

Pinchot Police Plan Fallacious.

In a recent letter to Governor Pinchot Assemblyman Musmanno, of London market than they have been other system for the coal and iron police and gives substantial as well and giraffes have not fallen much, but you can probably get along "I deem the plan announced by your

-Yes, there are dogs with neuter the reason "that it would mean the allegiance would naturally be to

private interests," and "people in- the Red Cross would refuse to dis-

excellent opportunity to acquire it. plate.

would save the lives of some and der Hoover. Thank heaven the men.

expense of human misery." Under he insists on. the direct tutelage of the President the House Committee on Appropriations has refused to concur in the Governor Pinchot's Budget Message. elephants now would be a good time Pittsburgh, urges the Governor to Senate rider on the Interior Departto buy. They are lower in the abandon his plan to substitute an- ment supply bill appropriating \$25,-000,000 for relief of the practically starving drought sufferers. The purpose of this cruelty was to support the President in a controversy with excellency fallacious," he writes, for the Senate. It is felt by the friends of the administration that victory of the Senate would be interpreted as a rebuke to the President which would seriously impair Mr. Hoover's chances of re-election. They are willing to imperil the lives of mil-

The worst feature of this astounding situation is that the Red Cross up and does something for the Mr. Musmanno advances other organization, with all its glorious jured or families of people killed burse the fund even if Congress shaving the allowance for various would have no redress" for the rea- voted the appropriation. This abdicason that the "Supreme court has tion of a function which the Red partment is not among those to be held that police upon whom general Cross has cheerfully and faithfully so treated. During the last bien- From the Harrisburg Telegraph.

an ark. So many weird things are with police power, is passed he may the appropriation was offered. To the "neck" was unkind. But nothappening that we are at a loss to sign it. But it will be a reluctant promote the ambition of an ineffiknow why some fanatical evangelist service for the Governor covets cient public official it is resisted. It is resisted. It is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist service for the Governor covets cient public official it is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it make interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted it makes interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted. It is resisted it makes interview of the fanatical evangelist is resisted evangelist is resisted evangelist is resisted evangelist is resisted. It is resisted evange

Governor Pinchot's message and budget read to the General Assemthe funds are available," and he de- ors' own initiative.

department on earth." for driver's licenses and recommends is the people.

we think we would start building property without investing them will die. To avert such a calamity was generous to him while despised ganister, for example,

belief that the State can and must urge the General Assembly to cut The State is not a theoretical abthe auto license fees and the charge straction representing the people; it

## Pennsylvania Gold.

that it be increased to \$943,900. It is true that he adds some expensive where? The question is natural. Stop day The loss entitled to only merely a tub to the Governor's The Salvation Army is ready and additions to its activities and per-coal, iron, limestone, cement and the and gave judgment to Linski for \$280.belief that the Earth is now in a state that the Governor is not averse to It is admitted, even by the friends with the control of its only was cold taken out of our

ment and complete control of its operations. The Governor is generous enough eruptions in washington, the stesmic ins own advantage. tremors all over the country and the volcances of the Pacific coast the volcances of the Pacific coast ful, is likely to disturb the Pinchot ful, is lik spitting lava Dr. Einstein might egoism. The Governor has con- into the treasury any surplus of be at least a suspicion that in this 000,000 pounds. And where do you have impressed us as being more pro-ceived the notion that a police force the appropriation. Therefore there matter he has been influenced to suppose all this was found? Why abuses and cure the evils of the It is not the purpose of the Senate election. For example, he recommends the density of the recommends the density of the recommender of the recommende found if he had told us something selected by himself will check the is no possibility of waste of funds. some extent by the returns of the at Cornwall, near Lebanon, as by--New Zealand has been shaken coal and iron police and he will to embarrass the President. The very considerable increase of the -New Zealand has been shaken nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the Presiden days and if a sen-the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to pieces by an earthquake and a new island has appeared in the people of the nearly to piece and he will the people of the nearly to piece and he will to embarrass the President. The the people in the drought region the people of the nearly to piece and the nearly to piece and the contract afand a new island has appeared in Assembly has power to frame legis. Include fener for present suffering. \$160,000 to the University of Penn-the Pacific, off the coast of Mexico. the Facine, on the coast of Mexico. Internation and enact laws and it a sen-Almost, if our name was Noah and sible measure, authorizing corpora-are starving now. Unless relief is will be received that the found to yield most valuable pro-Almost, if our name was Noan and shore incastre, authorizing corporation of their brovided soon thousands of them will be recalled that the "strip" ducts, after the manner of the once

-----While in full sympathy with

-The contract for complete construction of the new Federal penitentiary at Lewisburg, has been awarded to the Great Lakes Construction company, of Chicago. Start of work on the project within 60 days of the date of the award, January 31, and completion within a the Treasury Department which supervised letting of bids and other incidental The Chicago firm offered the work. lowest bid submitted by more than a score of contractors. Its figure was