

## "The Totem Pole"

Harrisburg, January 22—Politics throughout Pennsylvania are beginning to squirm - not outwardly of course, but within the sanctum of their inner offices and headquarters.

A strong undercurrent of repercussions is still being felt in Democratic circles over the announced presidential aspirations of Democrat Henry A. Wallace as a third party bright light.

Similarly there are silent groans over the action of Pittsburgh's former Mayor William V. McNair, who has announced his intentions of seeking the Democratic nomination. Many feel that this is a good thing in many ways. It may help wake up the easy-going Democratic State leadership, which of recent years has been running close competition with fabled Rip Van Winkle and his great snooze.

For the moment the over-all picture has changed somewhat.

Democrats who plodded contentedly along their complacent ways are at last beginning to worry a little. They realize that both Wallace and McNair can actually do some damage to the State organization by pulling support from the party for themselves.

Democratic leaders have said they will file for President Truman, the white hope of the party, but a loss of face and patronage is in store for Democrats of the Keystone State if Truman is reelected and the Pennsylvania Democrats are shown to have permitted more than a few votes to slip between their fingers in favor of subordinate candidates.

While no one as yet thinks too seriously of either Wallace or McNair flying off with any honors worth hooting about, they do realize that a serious breach is possible, which would tickle the Adam's apple of every staunch Republican

leader in the State, who are now plagued with worries of their own. For example, Republicans face a grueling battle over their many prospective candidates and the 73 members of the Pennsylvania delegation are in somewhat of a dither over which side of the fence to climb.

Many here are still rooting for Senator Martin, but with the maze of prospects being paraded before their eyes, a slight tremor of wavering here and there is noticeable. There is little doubt but that Taft, Dewey, Eisenhower and Stassen

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## Township F.F.A. Boys Attend Farm Show

A number of F. F. A. Boys from Dallas Township attended the Farm Show at Harrisburg last week accompanied by their sponsor Sheldon Mosier.

Besides enjoying the show, they went through the capital buildings and the chocolate factory at Hershey.

Going on the trip were: Bob Carle, Dana Race, Jay Bloomer, Dick Stine, Bill Whipp, Joe Borton, Elmer Race, Ferman Wesley, Bob Moore, Bob Miller, Robert Parrish, Thomas Kreidler, Anthony Soskowski, Woody Redmond, Willard Race, Earl Lamoreaux and Mr. Mosier.

## Your Health

Twenty years ago Dr. Chevalier Jackson, of Philadelphia, first used magnetism to extract a metallic foreign object from the air passages of a human body.

Three years ago, a magnet was used by physicians to remove a padlock from a person's stomach.

Since this latter case, the method of extracting metallic objects from the food and air passages has been greatly improved.

As only 10 per cent of foreign bodies are magnetic and most safety pins are now made of plastic instead of metal, methods other than magnetism must often be used to extract foreign bodies from food passages.

Many metallic foreign bodies in the stomach, even if large, will be uneventfully passed by older children.

In babies under 18 months of age, however, foreign bodies, if they are of any appreciable size, are not likely to be passed.

Surgical removal in this age group is hazardous. The magnet apparatus is simple, and offers a safe method of removal if the object happens to be metallic.

The patient is not severely taxed, removal is usually rapid and anesthetics are not needed.

One physician reports six cases of the use of the magnet in removing foreign bodies from the stomach in ages ranging from seven months to three years.

The objects removed included three open safety pins, two nails, and one bobby pin.

One of these cases involved a fifteen-month old baby who had been taken to a party at which pastry diapers were served—and each pastry diaper contained, of all things, a safety pin!

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## Babson Belittles Most Inflation Talk As "Bunk"

Says Our Troubles Are Just A Question Of Supply and Demand

### Babson Discusses Inflation

Babson Park, Fla., Jan. 22.—Most of the talk about "inflation" is bunk. When people have nothing else to lay their troubles to they lay it to inflation. Merchants blame high prices on inflation; politicians blame all losses on inflation; while even farmers are blaming the weather on inflation. Certainly the investigations which are being held to study prices are mostly eyewash or whitewash.

### What Is Inflation?

Inflation is not the fault of the farmers, manufacturers, retailers or any other one group. In fact, there is no such thing as "inflation". Our troubles are just a question of Supply and Demand. When there is more demand for goods than there is supply, prices go up and they call it inflation; but when there are more goods than there is demand, prices go down, and they call it deflation.

This means that the only cure for high prices, or inflation so-called, is either to curtail buying or to increase production. This means that the cure is up to all of us. When we spend less, we are helping to reduce prices; while if we increase our buying, we increase prices. The only other cure for high prices is to produce more. This is up to labor. The real trouble with labor is not wages so much as it is restricted working hours and faulty production.

### What Should We Expect?

We should expect to continue to pay high prices for real estate until building increases, and the only way that building will increase is to allow rents to go up. Price fixing also retards production. So long as production is low then we are troubled by high prices. Take the ceiling off rents and, of course, rents would go up for a while, but that would mean building would increase, and finally rents would go down. Only then would we all have enough homes at a reasonable price.

We complain about the price of meat and various other things, but sooner or later the price of these products will be so high and the profits so attractive it will cause many more people to go into the business of raising cattle and other farm produce, and manufacturing other things that have gone up in price. These prices will again fall. It is true that the "mills of God" grind slowly, but they grind ultimately in the people's interests. Labor unions succeed in raising money wages but not real wages. Unless wageworkers increase production as their wages increase, they are no better off in the end.

### What Has Happened To Citrus?

What has happened to the market for grapefruit and oranges is proof of all that I have said. It costs much more to raise citrus fruit today than ever before. Wages are much higher, fertilizer is more expensive, and even the railroad freights are greater. Yet, the prices for citrus fruits today are less than they were when the cost of production was much lower. If all our troubles are due to "inflation", inflation should help the citrus growers with higher prices to overcome these higher costs.

The answer is that there is no such thing as "inflation". It is only a question of supply and demand. Citrus growers do not benefit unless there is more demand for their products. Right here in Florida we see the cattle people very prosperous while the fruit growers are very sad. The reason is that there is an excess demand for meat with a small supply, while there is a big supply of citrus and a small demand. Neither the price of beef nor the price of citrus is due to "inflation".

### What Shall Housewives Do?

We all should buy the things which are in surplus supply rather than, through habit, continue to buy the high-priced things. The next time you go shopping ask the clerk to give you a list of the things that haven't gone up, and then change your food customs to using those things. This also applies to shoes, clothing, and household furnishings. Now that the turn of the year is past and there are "sales" going on, this is the time to do your buying. Wise buyers will stock up with goods during the month of January while these mark-down sales are in progress.

PNS  
The land comprising what is now the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was granted to William Penn by King Charles II, of England, on March 4, 1681.

## Barnyard Notes

### Pleasant Surprise

Bud Silverman received a pleasant surprise a few nights ago while browsing through the new recordings at DeRomer's Radio Clinic. Bud was impressed by the cover on a new Artie Shaw Album. Looking at it more closely he found the signature of his nephew, Howard Koslow of New York City, who is doing excellent work as one of the younger commercial illustrators of the country. A graduate of Pratt Institute, Koslow has done work for Kay Kaiser and Empire Record Co., a new British concern.

### Herkimer Returns

Herkimer, Mrs. Andrew Bittenbender's Scotch Collie, is home again after having the family upset during a day and night of the coldest weather this year—but he bears the scars of travel. After a brief visit to Sterling Barnes Fairlawn Store at Huntsville, "Herkie" started for home, but long after nightfall he had failed to reach there. Alone at the time, Mrs. Bittenbender called all the neighbors, and the Dallas Post, but nobody had seen a stray Collie.

About 10 o'clock she contacted a neighbor who said she had seen a Collie some three miles distant and that he might still be there playing with other dogs in a field. The hours slipped by. There was no car. There was no one at home to help her search for "Herkie". Then Dodie came home after twelve o'clock. Mrs. Bittenbender told him the story. Car or no car he decided to start out on foot in ten below zero weather and find his dog.

The cold fields were bright under a shining moon. Three miles from home in an open field Dodie found the wayfarer and guided him home. The family was delighted. There was no punishment for Herkie despite the inconvenience. He had had punishment enough. Somehow his side had been ripped open, either by a passing car, barbed wire, or another dog. Next morning a veterinary sewed the hide back together with a dozen stitches, but there was still a spot where there was no hide to sew.

We often wonder who owns who. Does the master own the dog—or is it the other way 'round?

### Cat Tail

While we're on the subject of animals, two old maids lived together, with their cats. Their life was sheltered and circumspect as is traditional with old maids.

They imposed equally high standards on their cats, which were never allowed out at night, among other things.

Finally one of the old gals found herself a boy friend. Eventually she left to get married.

During the honeymoon, the other old gal got a wire: "Don't care what you do with your cat—but turn mine loose."

### End of an Era

Forty years of happy business association came to a close a few days ago when Mrs. Joseph Schooley sold her dairy herd.

Ever since the late Harry Harter established his first route, milk from the Schooley farm has gone to Trucksville Dairy. At first Mr. Harter purchased it from the late Ziba Schooley, later from his son, Joe, and finally from Joe's widow, Jane.

The relationships were always cordial and each succeeding year the Schooleys and the Harters marked the anniversary with a party. During all those years there was never a question of quality, price, or payment. There was once, Marion and her son, Sherman, like to recall, when it was a question of who needed the money most.

Harry had just given Ziba Schooley a check for the month's milk. "I don't know who needs it most, you or me," said Harry, grinning. Amused, Mr. Schooley looked at him with fatherly compassion. "I believe you do, Harry. If you need it, take it," and Harry did—returning it with the next month's payment.

### The Paths of Glory

We hesitate to quote again from The Dartmouth Alumni Magazine, but so many readers have spoken to us about the item on Dr. Frederick Douglass Stubbs in last week's column that we think that there might also be interest in the Notes which appear monthly for the Class 1878.

They are written by William D. Parkinson, Newtonville, Mass., and have attracted the interest of thousands of Dartmouth Alumni throughout the world who would ordinarily be interested only in their own class Notes or those of classes who were in college with them.

There are five living members in that class of '78 that graduated just seventy years ago this June. Here is the way their secretary bravely writes the notes each month. These are from the December magazine:

"Bouton has given up variable star-observing and has had his observatory fitted up showing sunspots to visitors. He walks for daily exercise, but very slowly. He also reads slowly, and falls asleep while doing so; had his glasses renewed like Parkhurst. He observed his ninety-first birthday November 2.

"Hayt tries to keep his garden in shape. He has trouble with his eyes for reading . . . He thinks the statesmen in Washington don't appear to get very far in keeping up with inflation, which we really have. When you have to pay a dollar for a pound of bacon and ten cents for a nice, big apple it looks as if something was inflated."

Parkinson (Note, Parkinson is the writer—Editor) when offered a ride with his son's wife and daughter . . . made a call on Parkhurst, at his home at Oak Knoll. He was having a bad day, and spending most of it in bed . . . He relates in interesting manner, how after five years as principal of Winchester High School, he was persuaded by Mr. Edward Ginn to enter his business. He gives great credit both to Mr. Ginn's generous sagacity as a business man, and to his own success in taking advantage of the opportunity offered him. Beginning as an agent for High School books, he soon became a partner, in charge of manufacturing, under the name of the Atheneum Press. After four years he became treasurer of the concern and remained there until he retired in 1933.

"Parkinson, like Bouton, falls asleep, not while reading — for he cannot read — with any device he has yet discovered. Standing and waiting for busses is one of his chief occupations; and even at that he will fall over, if he doesn't lean against a post to keep his balance.

"Tarbell observed his ninety-fifth birthday November 16. Still seems to hold his own as the best conditioned of the five of us. He reads, writes, and walks moderately; eats well and breathes well. Has had some difficulty in hearing general conversation, but hears without difficulty when addressed directly.

"This is likely to be the last issue of the Class Notes for the Class of 1878 as the Secretary is losing his capacity as a correspondent; but the class is likely to be heard from from time to time."

Parkinson's ominous forewarning is borne out in the January magazine. There are no Notes for the Class of 1878.

This brave little band of classmates, all past ninety, await the inevitable hour. Bravely, as Scott's freezing men awaited it in the antarctic; Perry's starving comrades in the Arctic; trapped submariners on the Nautilus; our own entombed miners at Trucksville.

An example of courage for all of us. Let us hope that we, too, can face it as bravely when the time comes.

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