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Quay Speaks Through the North American.

Tells Why the Territory of New Mexico Should Be Admitted to Statehood.

Senator Quay is the champion of the Statehood bill now before the United States Senate. He also is an enthusiastic sponsor for the people of the Territory of New Mexico...

Senator Quay claims that the railroads of the State are well built and reach into every quarter, over 3000 miles now being in operation and many hundreds of miles more under contract.

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St. Pierre's Sole Survivor. NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The man supposed to be the sole survivor of the St. Pierre disaster was a passenger by the steamer Fontabelle which arrived today from the West Indies.

To Improve Cape May. Three Ordinances of Pittsburg Syndicate Passed by the City Council.

CAPE MAY, Feb. 24.—There were introduced into council to-night three ordinances preliminary to the great improvements which are to be made at Cape May within the next year or so by what is known as the Pittsburg syndicate...

The syndicate also agrees to accept the assessments put upon their property without appeal, to pay the city solicitor fees and all expenses incident to the legal part of the arrangements...

His First Veto. Governor Pennypacker Disapproves of a Bill and is Upheld.

HARRISBURG, February 25.—Governor Pennypacker to-day exercised for the first time his power of veto by returning to the general assembly without his approval the house bill authorizing the several boroughs of the Commonwealth to sell and convey all such lands as have been granted to them by the Commonwealth for the purpose of providing a public water supply...

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Ship Subsidy Scheme. House Committee by Vote of Ten to Six Refuses to Report the Bill.—Efforts of Hanna and Fry for Measure Insufficient to Get it Through House.

WASHINGTON, February 23.—The House committee on mercantile and fisheries relieved itself from the suspicion resting upon it for the last two weeks and by a vote of ten to six refused to report the ship subsidy bill to the House.

The three democratic members who were said to have agreed to absent themselves from a former meeting of the committee and actually did remain away were present to-day and voted against the measure.

The result was that none of the members of the committee was absent except Representative Freeland, and he is an advocate of subsidies.

Harrisburg's Official Life. It Was Tended a Reception by Governor and Mrs. Pennypacker.

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All Phones to Be Under Ring Control. Two Resolutions Introduced at Harrisburg. Forcing Bell to Aid Kable.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 25.—Two remarkable telephone schemes are proposed in bills presented to the House to-day by Mr. Campsey, of Washington, wholesale dealer in agricultural products, and Mr. Sterner, of York, stock raiser.

The bill is of general application, and provides that wherever two or more telephone companies are serving the same community or separate communities it shall be lawful for each company to make connection with the central offices of the other.

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At the headquarters of the Keystone Telephone Company, Assistant General Manager Eaton ridiculed the new measure as absurd. "It is a foolish bill," he said, "and certainly was not introduced in the interest of our concern. The Keystone Company has all the business of its own it wants and don't care to do work that belongs to some one else."

Keystone's Apparent Surprise. At the headquarters of the Keystone Telephone Company, Assistant General Manager Eaton ridiculed the new measure as absurd.

Would Offer to Buy Canada. Resolution Introduced in the House to Ask the Price.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—Representative DeArmond, of Missouri, today introduced a concurrent resolution requesting the President to learn and advise the Congress upon what terms, if any, satisfaction to the inhabitants of the territory of territory to the United States all or part of the territory lying north of and adjoining the United States, to be formed in due time into one or more States and admitted into the Union upon an equality with the other States.

Flying Train Can't Kill Him. Chester Section Hand Tossed High in Air—Uninjured.

CHESTER, Pa., Feb. 22.—Not hearing a yell of warning, Frank Belescoe, a section hand on the Pennsylvania's elevated railroad, stepped in front of a flying south-bound express train. The next instant his body went flying through the air.

Killed by an Iceberg's Fall. Mill Worker was Entering Factory as Mass Came Down.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 25.—An iceberg which fell on his head last Friday caused injuries which resulted in the death of Otis Thumma, of Mohr street, Steelton, at the Harrisburg hospital this morning.

Berwind-White Company to Advance Wages. JOHNSTOWN, Feb. 24.—The Berwind-White coal company, which operates extensive bituminous mines at Windber will increase the wages of every employe April 1st.

Would Stop Sunday Trains. Wayne County Statesman After the Excursionists. HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 25.—In the House to-day Representative Norton, of Wayne, prepared a bill prohibiting Sunday railroad excursions.

Pine Grove Mention. Rev. C. T. Aikens is batching it this week. P. F. Bottorf Sundayed at McAlvey's Fort.

John Krebs came up from Bellefonte to spend Sunday here. Adam Duck, of Fowler, is visiting his brother-in-law, Henry Krebs, on Water St.

Lewis Hess, an employe in the Altoona shops, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents in the Glades. Mrs. Thomas C. Van Tries came up from her home at Bellefonte on Monday called hither by the serious illness of her niece.

Miss Sadie Goss, a Pine Grove High school girl, spent the beginning of the week among Fairbrook friends for her health. Mrs. Wm. C. Frank is laid up with a badly sprained leg. She was handling a five gallon cream can that fell; causing the injury.

Attorney N. B. Spangler, of Bellefonte, registered at the St. Elmo last Friday. His visit was purely of a professional nature. Mrs. Maggie Campbell Williams, of Tyrone, spent last week visiting old friends in this section. She is looking hale and hearty.

U. O. Daugherty 'hoofed it' across old Tussey's mountain early Monday morning to work up the implement business in which he is a hustler. Mrs. Orlando Thomas, of Shingletown, came up to visit old friends and note improvements in and about our town in which she was a little girl long ago.

John I. Markie, of Bellwood, and Walter Weaver, a fireman on the main line, were home to see to the wants of their families here during the zero weather. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brouse drove down to Boalsburg Saturday to spend Sunday with Mrs. Jerry Dinges and their son Wm. and to see young William No. 3.

Quite a large sledding party of Pine Grove folks went down to the home of merchant Howard Wussler, on Wednesday evening, and had a most enjoyable time. Mr. L. Mothersbaugh and wife, laid by the cares of farm life at their cosy home near Boalsburg for a five days pleasure which they found among old friends.

Elmer C. Bess, the hauling grain and coal dealer at Lemont, with his sister, Mrs. James Lytle, spent Monday with our merchant David H. Weaver, on Main street. Wm. Beck, John Rupp, David Fulton and Wm. Spotts, of State College, enjoyed the elegant sleighing to our town Saturday evening, and saw the lights turned on.

Mrs. Barry Cramer, of Panxutawney, accompanied her aged mother, Mrs. Bricker, to her home in Boalsburg, where she will see to the comfort of the old dame before she returns. The many friends of Mrs. Glenn Bailey, will be glad to learn of her recovery. She was able to go to her home in Altoona last Friday. Nannie Bailey accompanied her as far as Bellefonte.

Amos Koch and wife enjoyed the sleighing last week down in Penns valley. The last seen of them was at Boalsburg, where Amos was sleighing on white Mrs. Koch hauled the ribbons, at a 2.40 gait. We are glad to note the improvement of the venerable Wm. Foster, of State College, who has been confined to his room all winter with hiccoughs that weakened him considerably. He is now able to go about the house.

There would not be much need of steam saw mills if every cross cut saw had Oscar Krebs and Samuel Grove at each handle. Just recently they sawed through a two-foot log in a trifle less than four minutes. Yext. It was a jolly sledding party that left White Hall early Tuesday morning bound for Bellefonte. It consisted of Miss Lizzie Tyson, Mrs. Annie Garner, Mrs. Bell Nideigh, J. H. Nideigh, wife and their daughter Blanche.

John Rockey, one of Walker township's representative men and big farmers, and his wife enjoyed the elegant sleighing last Saturday and drove up to see Mrs. Wm. Rockey, who has been ill all winter—but is now some better. Last week Mrs. Sarah Detwiler, wife of Edward Detwiler, was taken to the hospital in Philadelphia to undergo an operation for a tumorous growth. Mrs. Detwiler was Miss Sarah McClellan, of Tusseyville, and her condition is considered quite serious.

J. A. C. Rider, agent for agricultural implements, fertilizers, seeds, etc., of Tyrone, can consider our hat off for a vest pocket diary for 1903. It contains much valuable information and space for an entry for every day of the year. The diary contains a calendar for 1903 and 1904. It was a very pleasant evening party given by Miss Lizzie Ward at the Ward home on Main street, last Friday evening, where she royally entertained some thirty of her young friends whom she served with bountiful refreshments. The evening was spent with games and music and fun.

Miss Edith Decker gave a tea party at the Decker home on Water street, last Thursday evening for number of her young friends. It was in honor of Miss Etta Kelley, who is home from Pittsburg, where she has grown into a most pleasant and attractive young lady. She returned to Pittsburg on Saturday. The first annual banquet of the Pine Grove High school was held in the Odd Fellows hall last evening at 8 o'clock. One hundred covers were laid for the chicken and waffle supper and all the usual trimmings. The Pine Grove orchestra furnished the music and J. H. Ward did the ostering. On Wednesday the quiet town of Boalsburg was aglow with excitement over the moving of the old James Hasson house from the lower end of town to the Boal farm. Ten span of horses and a traction engine were brought into requisition and the crowd of curious folks was correspondingly big. They were reminded of the old battalion drill days away back in the forties. Dr. Kitter on his prancing steed acted as wagon master and one would have thought that he had had experience in the Peninsula campaign. By the time the house was gotten to its destination it had parted company with its cornice trimmings and porches.

We are glad to note the recovery of Mrs. Samuel Gregory, who several weeks ago had a fall on the ice while walking in the yard; breaking the pelvis bone of the right thigh. It will be several weeks before she will be out of bed, but she is bearing her affliction with patient resignation. Her maiden name was Ross and she spent her girlhood days in and about Linden Hall, the old family home.

H. E. Yarnell, of Pine Grove Mills, and Miss Jennie Condo, of Jacksonville, were married by the Rev. T. W. Perks, at the United Brethren parsonage in Bellefonte, on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. The groom is an old veteran and his many comrades will join in our wish that his married life may be without a cloud. He has a fine home at White Hall to which he will take his bride.

On Tuesday Mrs. Maria Goss gave a dinner party to aged ladies who were nearing the four score mark. Those who were present were: Mrs. Matilda Rumberger, Mrs. Rebecca Ard, Mrs. Mary Gates, Mrs. Henry Krebs, this in all human probability will be the last entertainment given by Mrs. Goss as she is quitting housekeeping and taking rooms at the home of her son, W. H. Goss, where she expects to spend the remainder of her days.

Tussey Council, No. 515, Jr. O. U. A. M. have their seventh annual mid-winter feast billed for this Friday evening at the St. Elmo at 8:30. One hundred and twenty invitations are out. Refreshments will consist of oysters, ice cream, cake and fruit. J. H. Ward will cater for the affair. The Pine Grove orchestra will be there. Their newly installed officers for the present term are: counselor, J. C. Dunlap; vice counselor, L. B. Markie; corresponding secretary, W. B. Ward; recording secretary, Homer Decker; financial secretary, J. L. Murphy; treasurer, J. A. Decker; I. S. Guard, J. McClellan; J. O. S. Guard, J. R. Smith; conductor, M. M. Smith; warden, Samuel A. Dunlap; trustees, Geo. Harper, J. R. Smith, S. A. Dunlap; representative, F. B. Krebs.

A RED LETTER DAY FOR VICTOR GRANGE.—On last Saturday a gala occasion was enjoyed in the Oak Hall Grange hall. Early in the day sled loads of people came from every direction and with them they brought great baskets of the choicest provisions for the annual banquet. It was a veritable mid-winter feast and over one hundred plates were spread for the patrons and their friends. B. F. Homan was the master of ceremonies and with Miss Anna Dale presiding at the organ the audience was kept in good humor all day.

An excellent program consisting of recitations, songs and dialogues was carried out by the young people of the community and a most enjoyable day was the result. Questions pertaining to Grange work were discussed by the older members of the party and everyone had a good social time. Victor Grange was organized twenty-five years ago and has been prospering ever since. It has a large membership and a fine hall well equipped. The floor is carpeted, beautiful pictures adorn the walls, an organ is part of the furnishing and there is some fine paraphernalia. And then in addition the organization has a substantial bank account.

HARRISBURG. Mrs. George Hoy visited her parents at Lock Haven Tuesday. Frank Robb was entertained at the home of E. L. Bergstresser recently. Wm. Dietz, of Jacksonville, was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Katie Yocum, Sunday. Perry Hinds and Cora Whitman spent Sunday with Mr. Ed. Gephart, at Zion. Miss Grace McClintock, of Lamar, spent several days last week at the home of Geo. McAlvey.

Mrs. and Mrs. Williams, of Beech Creek, visited at the home of their son, Albert, Saturday and Sunday. D. M. Whitman and Jacob Weaver Sr., attended quarterly conference at Nitany last Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. George Gloener and grandma Hoy, of Jacksonville, were pleasant visitors at the home of Rev. Crow on Friday.

The Grangers Address the Legislature. To the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania: We, citizens of Centre county, organized into Granges, assembled under the auspices of our county organization in special sessions at Millheim, Feldler and Rebersburg, this 12th and 13th days of February, 1903, respectfully petition your honorable body to pass the following bills:

1st. Bill to enlarge the power of the school boards to divide the seven months school term into two or more terms and unite two or more schools when it will serve better educational advantages to the people of the rural districts. 2nd. Bill providing for the payment of jurors of the courts of quarter sessions and common pleas. 3rd. Bill to appropriate \$1,000,000 for public roads to be distributed on the basis of the number of miles of road in each township and expended by the road commissioners or supervisors.

4th. Bill for the State to relinquish all the fees of county officers for the use of the county where collected. 5th. Bill for the State to relinquish all the mercantile taxes for the use of the county. To reimburse the state for revenues thus diverted to the counties, that the State increase the taxes on personal and corporate property, mines, oil wells, gas wells, manufacturing companies, etc., as these classes of property pay less on their actual valuation than three mills, while real estate is compelled to pay over sixteen mills, as shown by the official reports of the Commonwealth, as follows:

Appraised value of real estate, \$2,776,829,665.00. Aggregate taxes paid, reports 1902, 44,434,957.82. Average rate of taxation, 1.60 per cent. Aggregate appraised value corporate and personal property, \$4,725,400,277.68. Aggregate taxes paid, reports 1902, 14,001,474.08. Average rate of taxation, three mills.

Resolved, That the Master and Secretary of the County Grange be directed to officially transmit the above to the members of the Senate and House of Representatives of Pennsylvania. GEO. DALE, Master, D. M. CAMPBELL, Secretary.