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HOPE ON.

There was never a day so misty and gray
That the blue was not somewhere above it;
There is never a mountain top ever so bleak
That some little flower does not love it.

There was never a night so dreary and dark
That the stars were not somewhere shining;
There is never a cloud so heavy and black
That it has not a silver lining.

There is never a waiting time, weary and long,
That will not some time have an ending;
The most beautiful part of the landscape is where
The sunshine and shadows are blending.

Into every life some shadow will fall,
But heaven sends the sunshine of love;
Through the rifts in the clouds we may if we will
See the beautiful blue above.

Let us hope on though the way may be long
And the darkness be gathering fast;
For the turn in the road is a little way on,
Where the home-lights will greet us at last.

CENTRE COUNTY VETERANS HOLD ANNUAL REUNION.

Just twenty-five veterans of the Civil war registered at the fiftieth annual reunion of the Centre County Veteran Club, held at Grange park last Wednesday, and the report of the secretary showed that twenty-six members had passed away during the past year. The annual meeting was held in the auditorium at the park and was presided over by the president, S. B. Miller. Dean R. L. Watts, of State College, made the address of welcome. The president then appointed the following committee:

Place of Meeting—W. E. Tate, C. H. Martz, W. H. Bartholomew.

Election of Officers—D B. Brisbin, J. W. Sunday, John Mechtley.

Resolutions—Clement Dale, George M. Boal, John Noll.

Adjournment was then made for dinner and after the inner man had been satisfied the gathering was again called to order and Clement Dale Esq., responded to the address of welcome. Other speakers included Col. J. L. Spangler. Prof. George P. Bible, and J H. Carrow, of the Pennsylvania railroad

The committee on the place of meeting reported in favor of Grange park, and the date on Wednesday of picnic week.

The committee on officers reported in favor of the following, all of whom were elected: President, Samuel B. Miller; first vice president, Henry Meyer; second vice president, D. B. Brisbin; treasurer, George M. Boal; chaplain, T. W. Young; secretary, W. H. Fry.

The committee on resolutions presented its report which was adopted.

The Citizens band, of Ferguson township, furnished music during the day and gave a splendid concert in the evening.

The list of soldiers who died during the past year, with the age of each, is as follows:

Emanuel Bolinger 92; Monroe Armor 91; J. T. Corman 82; S. B. Dennis 89; Abram Stratton 86; S. P. Frank 85; John Coshon 76; Thomas Bolling 78; Jacob Barto 79; Owen Hicks 79; G. M. Betz 83; Daniel Hazzard 90; Amos Garbrick 84; Dr. G. E. Russell 87; Ira E. Bartholomew 78; George S. Kaup 80; A. C. Kepler 80; Emanuel Noll 74; Alf. Johnstonbaugh 78; W. H. Derstine 85; John Shilling 85; Daniel Schlottman 76; John McCurdy 79; Robert Henderson 81; G. E. Eckley 71; W. P. Dale 86.

The twenty-five members present at the meeting with their military organization follows:

John Griffith, Co. D, 104th Ohio.
John I. Williams, Co. D, 46th Pa.
W. H. Bartholomew, 2nd Pa. Cav.
J. C. Council, Co. C, 49th Pa.
C. H. Martz, Co. C, 2nd Pa. Cav.
Griffith Lytle, Co. C, 49th Pa.
S. R. Gettig, Co. A, 148th Pa.
J. W. Sunday, Co. B, 148th Pa.
T. A. Snyder, Co. D, 1st Pa. Cav.
H. S. Guswalt, Co. F, 1st Pa. Cav.
George Miller, Co. F, 200dth Pa.
Philip Dale, Co. A, 149th Pa.
Benjamin Eslenshart, Co. E, 79th Pa.
James Miller, Co. F, 200dth Pa.
David Kinsley, Co. A, 9th Pa.
P. H. Haupt, U. S. Navy.
J. N. Leitzell, Co. E, 1st Bat.
S. B. Miller, Co. E, 100dth Ohio.
John Noll, Co. A, 19th Cav.
D. B. Brisbin, Co. G, 148th Pa.
John Mechtly, Co. F, 12th Cav.
W. E. Tate, Co. I, 136th Pa.
George M. Boal, Co. D, 148th Pa.
William Hoy, Co. H, 56th Pa.
W. H. Fry, Co. E, 45th Pa.
Wm. Gemmill, Co. G, 148th Pa.
W. S. Williams, Co. D, 45th Pa.
Charles Smith, Co. C, 49th Pa.

Radio Leads to Study of Electrical Engineering.

More applicants for admission to The Pennsylvania State College Freshman class this fall desire to study electrical engineering than any other one course. The same condition has been true for the past several years with the growth of wireless and now radio fan population, a circumstance which is connected by college officials to the popularity for advanced study in the wonders of electricity.

A total of 141 of the 435 young men to be admitted to the Penn State engineering school have asked to enroll as students in the department of electrical engineering. This department is by far the largest in the college, just as the school of engineering outranks the schools of agriculture, liberal arts, mines and science.

THE DREAD OF THE GRAVEYARD.

By L. A. Miller.

Like one that on a handsome road
Doth walk in fear and dread,
And having once turned round walks on
And turns no more his head;
Because he knows a frightful fiend
Doth close behind him tread.
—Ancient Mariner.

This topic is one bearing more or less on superstition. If you were passing through a lively piece of country after night, and there were two roads leading to where you were going, one of which passed by a grave-yard, and the other, although considerably longer, didn't pass within sight of the ghostly spot, which would you take? Answer this before reading any farther, and answer it honestly.

Of course you would. Nine out of every ten would do the same hting. By so doing you will not be confessing to a belief in ghosts, spooks, disembodied spirits; only admitting a frailty common to the human family. It is not necessary to stop here to argue that there are no ghosts, but intelligent people do not believe in them.

Now, this may be putting it a little too strong, for there are some very good people who believe in ghoss, haunted houses and evil spirits. Such beliefs are much more common in Great Britain than in this country. Ireland has the reputation of possessing more superstitious inhabitants than any other country, but the facts show that it is scarcely on a par with England, Scotland or Germany. The latter is not so much after ghosts as either of the others, prefering goblins, spirits, gentle spirits and omens.

These gentle spirits are supposed to shape the destinies of men, bring health or disease to the flocks, rain or drought to the crops, and peace or war to the nation. They do not profess to know the nature of these influences, how they work or what laws control them. They are as much agnostic in regard to these minor matters as of the greater mysteries of nature. There is no denying the fact that we are all touched with superstition. It seems to have been born in us, and no amount of schooling or training will thoroughly eradicate it.

Comparatively few believe in ghosts, yet none, or at least very few can honestly say they are not afraid of haunted houses, grave-yards and places where strange lights have been seen, or queer sounds heard. Indeed, it is the fewest number who are not more or less afraid when alone after nightfall, either in doors or out. Sounds which would not be noticed in daylight, or when there is company present, become unusual noises. Shadows take specter-like forms, and the swish of a bat or benighted bird recalls pictures of winged goblins and fierce man-eaters.

How many who read this can walk any distance through a dark, lonely place without their hearts beating faster, their breath coming quicker, and experiencing a choking sensation in the throat? How many are there who do not whistle or hum the air of some good old hymn, and walk brisker than usual, on such occasions?

It is usual to account for this state of affairs by attributing it to inherited superstition. This seems to apply well enough to the belief in ghosts and supernatural manifestations, but it does not cover the matter of temerity. For this some better cause, or causes, will have to be assigned. This is not a difficult task if science is not barred. It teaches that sunlight is a nerve stimulant. Darkness must be the reverse, as it is the corresponding to the positive known as light. When the stimulus is removed, the tone of the entire system is lowered.

This is so marked in nearly all species of birds that, with the approach of darkness they become drowsy and seek their roosts. They are also more easily frightened. This is due to the well established fact that nerves which have become weakened, and have lost their tone, are more easily disturbed than when in proper tone. This applies with equal force to man, as many events which can easily be recalled will clearly show. That which would create no fright at all in day time may start a panic at night.

Armies take advantage of this well-known disposition and make night attacks. The best time is thought to be just before daybreak in the morning, for then the sleepers are more drowsy than at any other period. If surprised at such time they are apt to break in all directions, become confused and fall an easy prey to their assailants. It is to prevent such catastrophes that picket guards are strengthened at night, and all of the posts required to stand at arms for an hour before daybreak. The latter requirement is rarely enforced except when there is a possibility of an attempted surprise. If the surprise part of the program miscarries the attack is given up, because men do not fight well in the dark. They lack steadiness and self-control.

Beaver Culture a Means of Fur and Forest Production.

Although the practicability of beaver farming has not been fully demonstrated, the United States department of agriculture believes that the business of raising beavers for their fur may develop under proper control measures, into a profitable branch of fur farming. With a small beginning the enterprise seems to promise an advanee to good returns and even great possibilities.

A fertile field for beaver culture may be found in connection with projects for the reforestation with conifers of burned or cut-over timberlands. Many of these areas, cleared by ax or fire and later covered with a second growth of aspen, willow, and pin cherry, are for the time considered almost worthless. Over much of the northern border of the United States and still larger areas of Canada where such land is found it is generally unsuited for agriculture and would not pay taxes until again covered with valuable forest timber, but would supply ideal food for beavers, and if stocked with them could be made to yield an income while the process of reforestation is going on.

The animals should not be introduced uncontrolled into places where their activities may menace irrigation or power ditches, important road or railroad grades or agricultural districts. A suitable food supply and permanent water should be assured.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, AT THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1922. BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one (1) of article fifteen (XV) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section one of article fifteen, which reads as follows:

"**Section 1.** Cities may be chartered whenever a majority of the electors of any town or borough having a population of at least ten thousand shall vote at any general election in favor of the same," be and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Cities may be chartered whenever a majority of the electors of any town or borough having a population of at least ten thousand shall vote at any general or municipal election in favor of the same. Cities, or cities of any particular class, may be given the right and power to frame and adopt their own charters and to exercise the powers and authority of local self-government, subject, however, to such restrictions, limitations, and regulations, as may be imposed by the Legislature. Laws also may be enacted affecting the organization and government of cities and boroughs, which shall become effective in any city or borough only when submitted to the electors thereof, and approved by a majority of those voting thereon.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article seventeen, section eight, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the granting of free passes or passes at a discount to clergymen.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section eight of article seventeen, which reads as follows:

"**Section 8.** No railroad, railway, or other transportation company shall grant free passes or passes at a discount to any person, except officers or employees of the company," be amended to read as follows:

Section 8. No railroad, railway, or other transportation company shall grant free passes or passes at a discount to any person, except officers or employees of the company and clergymen.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

NUMBER 2-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine, section four, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section four of article nine, which reads as follows:

"**Section 4.** No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasions, suppress insurrection, defend the State in war, or to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed, in the aggregate at any one time, one million dollars: Provided, however, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth," be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasions, suppress insurrection, defend the State in war, or to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed, in the aggregate at any one time, one million dollars: Provided, however, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth: Provided further, however, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of thirty-five millions of dollars for the payment of compensation to certain persons from this State who served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States, during the World War, between the sixth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and the eleventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

Section 2. Said proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State, at the general election to be held on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four, for the purpose of deciding upon the approval and ratification or the rejection of said amendment. Said election shall be opened, held, and closed upon said election day at the places and within the hours at and within which said election is directed to be opened, held, and closed, and in accordance with the provisions of the laws of Pennsylvania governing elections. Such amendment shall be printed upon the ballots in the form and manner prescribed by the election laws of Pennsylvania, and shall in all respects conform to the requirement of such laws.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 2-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number 3-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine section four, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing the State to issue bonds to the amount of one hundred millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section four of article nine, which reads as follows:

"**Section 4.** No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasion, suppress isurrection, defend the State in war, or to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed, in the aggregate at any one time, one million dollars: Provided, however, That the General Assembly, irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds, to the amount of fifty millions of dollars, for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth," be amended so as to read as follows:

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A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number Four-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one of article fourteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the following amendment to section one of article fourteen of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section one of article fourteen, which reads as follows:

"**Section 1.** County officers shall consist of sheriffs, coroners, prothonotaries, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, commissioners, treasurers, surveyors, auditors or controllers, clerks of the courts, district attorneys, and such others as may, from time to time, be established by law; and no sheriff or treasurer shall be eligible for the term next succeeding the one for which he may be elected," be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 1. County officers shall consist of sheriffs, coroners, prothonotaries, registers of wills, recorders of deeds, commissioners, treasurers, surveyors, auditors or controllers, clerks of the courts, district attorneys, and such others as may, from time to time, be established by law; and no sheriff, except sheriffs in counties having a population of less than fifty thousand inhabitants, and no treasurer shall be eligible for the term next succeeding the one for which he may be elected.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number 5-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine, section one, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so as to permit the exemption from taxation of real and personal property owned, occupied, or used by any branch or post or camp of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish-American War Veterans, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section one of article nine be amended so as to read as follows:

All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity, and real and personal property owned, occupied, and used by any branch, post or camp of honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 5-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number 6-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to section one, article nine, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth aritcle thereof:—

That section one of article nine, which reads as follows:

"All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity," be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows:

All taxes shall be uniform, upon the same class of subjects, within the territorial limits of the authority levying the tax, and shall be levied and collected under general laws; but subjects of taxation may be classified for the purpose of laying graded and progressive taxes, and, in the case of inheritance and income taxes, exemptions may be granted; and the General Assembly may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes, actual places of religious worship, places of burial not used or held for private or corporate profit, and institutions of purely public charity.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 6-A.

BERNARD J. MYERS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Number 7-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article three (III) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That article three be amended by adding thereto the following:

Section 34. The Legislature shall have power to classify counties, cities, boroughs, school districts, and townships according to population, and all laws passed relating to each class, and all laws passed relating to, and regulating procedure and proceedings in court with reference to, any class, shall be deemed general legislation within the meaning of this Constitution; but counties shall not be divided into more than eight classes, cities into not more than seven classes, school districts into not more than five classes, and boroughs into not more than three classes.

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