AMERICA LOSING OLD LANDMARKS

Architects' Institute Fights to Preserve Country's Historic Buildings.

Washington. — America is being robbed of her historic landmarks by the encroachments of our crowded cities, according to Prof. A. Lawrence Kocher.

The public's lack of appreciation and the indifference of civic authorities are other factors which hinder the preservation of monuments, says Professor Kocher, who heads a committee appointed by the American Institute of Architects to fight the destruction of buildings of architectural sig nificance or historic value.

"Many buildings of the greatest interest as historical records of our architectural growth are disappearing because of the ever-increasing congestion of our cities," said Professor Kocher recently. "Continuous watchfulness and quick action are necessary to check the loss of valuable monv ments."

Local chapters of the institute are co-operating with Professor Kocher's committee by reporting the threatened destruction of old buildings in their city or state. Efforts are then made to arouse public sentiment to check the demolition or alteration of the edifices

"Restoration" Often Destructive.

Often so-called "restoration" is as grave a danger as destruction, Professor Kocher pointed out. Indiscriminate alteration may distort the historical plan, he declared, urging that "the snatching of doorways, mantels and paneling from buildings in order to simulate or compose, in another house, the atmosphere of age, be discouraged."

Systematic collection of photographs of buildings that are of architectural significance or historical value by local chapters of the institute is also suggested by Professor Kocher. This plan is being carried out by the Denver chapter, the Southern Pennsylvania chapter and the Chicago chapter, said

Professor Kocher. Some of the historic monuments which architects have tried to save during the past year include the Allegheny county jail in Pittsburgh, the Bartram house and the Lemon Hill mansion in Philadelphia; fine examples of colonial architecture in Charleston, S. C.; the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce building, the Palace of Fine Arts, Chicago, and Fort Winfield Scott, Presidio, San Francisco.

The Philadelphia chapter has a trongly organized committee which has undertaken research in connection with the restoration of buildings in Philadelphia and the vicinity.

The city of Charleston, S. C.," cor. unued Professor Kocher, "still contains more early American architecture than any other city in the South, but many of the finest examples have been encroached upon by railroad yards, factories and negro quarters. Others have fallen into neglect and decay.

The chapter representative from. his district has reclaimed a number of these old dwellings, both in the city and on the plantations, and his firm has, as far as possible, preserved their integrity.

Cincinnati's Historic Building. In 1911 the Cincinnati Chamber or commerce building, designed by H. H. Richardson, was partially destroyed by fire, but without seriously damaging the exterior. The original granite walls, notably the elaborately decorated arches on three fronts, were secured by the Cincinnati Astronomical society for the purpose of using the material in the erection of an observatory. This project was endorsed by the Cincinnati chapter at its December meeting.

The Chicago chapter has taken ar. active interest in the preservation of the Palace of Fine Arts of the Chicago World's fair. 'The Supreme court of Illinois recently reversed its un-Tavorable decision about the legality of the five-million-dollar bonds necessary for the restoration plans of the south park commissioners. Bids are now being received at this time for the completion of the undertaking.

"The preservation of Fort Winfield Scott, built in the presidio, San Francisco, in 1856, was advocated by the representatives of the San Francisco chapter. This dismantled fortress, a splendtd building of solid brick and granite masonry, is used as a storehouse for discarded military supplies and is in danger of deterioration through neglect and lack of proper up-

"It has, in fact, been considerably altered internally by the erection of temporary partitions and changes inconsistent with its original purpose. The attention of the federal military authorities was called to the need of preserving this and other similar buildings within their jurisdiction.

"The secretary of war, Mr. Dwight F. Davis, responded by bringing the case of Fort Winfield Scott to the attention of the Ninth corps area commander, who has jurisdiction over this nost, with the request that everything possible be done to keep buildings at this station in an adequate state of repair."

TEXAS MAN BORN ARMLESS CAN DO COWBOY STUNTS

Sweetwater Youth Runs Oil Station and Can Drive Any Make of Automobile.

Sweetwater, Texas. - Despite the fact that he entered life with both of his arms and hands shriveled, deformed and useless, Sam Lambert, who runs a small filling station on the highway east of Sweetwater, can now do almost everything with his feet that it is possible for the average man to accomplish with two good hands. He was born with his hands in that condition, and, according to Lambert he began using his feet as any bab

would his hands. He was raised on a farm, and can do as much farm work as most any man, with the exception of hoeing and picking cotton, but when it comes to handling a team, he's a regular "mule skinner," so his neighbors and friend

Not only is he handy with farm work, but he is a real cowboy. He rides well, can rope a running steer or horse, two throws out of three, and can saddle and bridle his own horse. And all with his feet! He cuts the toes of his socks off in order to have free use of his feet at a moment's notice. According to those who know him well, he takes the rope between the toes on one foot and almost before it can be noticed, he has a steer on the other end of the rope. It takes a good-sized animal to pull Sam's feet from beneath him.

When it comes to swimming, he's at home. Although he is only twentythree years old, he has been swimming and diving at will for over ten years.

Sam has attended school about ten years, and during that time he used his feet to do all his writing. And he

writes a nice foot at that! The fact that he has no control or use of his hands has never kept him from feeding himself and shaving himself; he does it with his feet. He has even been known to shave the back of his neck with his feet. But he says it is too much trouble to shave himself, so he goes to a shop now for his tonsorial needs.

Not only is he capable of handling a team, but he drives any make of ear, gear shift, or otherwise.

With such a handicap in life many men would have been a burden to their relatives, or to the public, but Sam is as self-supporting and independent as the average man. He does not have hands, but he makes his feet do nearly all that his hands could do.

He is the son of Baxter Lambert, who for years was sheriff of Fisher

Boys of Dixie Born

Naturalists, Says Prof. Berea, Ky .-- A close-up of the nature-loving country boy of the Southland these summer days is offered by John F. Smith, Berea college professor, vice president of the Kentucky Folklore society.

While everybody in Dixie, fron early childhood to late in life, plays a good part of the time, the average country boy's intimate knowledge would fill a good-sized volume of natural history.

He knows his swimming hole, habit. of minnows, groundhog, rabbit squirrel, other animals. Discovers hiding place of barn owl, screech owl, flying squirrel. Learns where the oven-bird, the waterthrush, kingfisher nest.

Pranks aplenty. From doodle-bus party to bear hunt. And a little later, kissing games, such as picking grapes, in which he is inwardly thrilled with prospects they offer, but outwardly shrinks therefrom.

fown of 340 Boasts

\$2,500,000 in Banks Cedar Rapids, Iowa. - A unique illage, tucked away in Clayton county, has come into the limelight through its bank report, recently filed with the state banking depart-

The village is Garnavillo, boasting wo banks, the Farmers' State and the Garnavillo Savings bank. The combined deposits total \$2,500,000. Its population is 340. The Farmers' bank was organized two years ago and 85 per cent of its stock is owned by farmers. No person may own more than ten shares of stock and some own only two. The deposits total \$1,381,054.

Garnavillo has no poor and it is said that every family owns its own home. The village has no jail. It has been so many years since there was an arrest that the oldest inhabitant has forgotten the date.

Verses to Cupid Cost Husband, 65, \$4,000

New York. - Verses written by Jeorge Washington Beckel 25 years ago to the woman who is now his wife were read in the Kings county Supreme court and Beckel admitted he recently used them again at the age of sixty-five, but on Mrs. John E. Norton, who is now twenty-five.

The jury then found Beckel guilty of doing \$4,000 damage to Norton through alienating Mrs. Norton's affections, as charged "with gifts, automobile rides and poems of passion."

Welcomes Jazz King

Vlenna.-The City of Melody has given a fitting welcome to a "jazz king." Franz Lehar, Emerich Kalman and other of the city's popular composers have been entertaining Paul Whiteman.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMONWEALTH, FOR 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.

No. 1-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to article nine, section four of the Constitution of the Comonwealth 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:

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That section four of article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby amended to read as follows:

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Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasions, supprss 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 one hundred 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.

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

CLYDE L. KING,

Secretary of the Commonwealth

CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 2-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 and fifty millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

by amended to read as follows:

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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 there-

cultariy benefited shall be hable to spe-cial assessments, rapid transit railway sys-tems, drainage and sewerage systems, flood protective works, wharves, piers and quays, highway tunnels and bridges, and underground and overhead streets, supplequays, highway tunnels and bridges, and underground and overhead streets, supplementing original streets or street systems; to levy general and special taxes and special assessments therefor either before or after the laying out and construction thereof; and to provide that all special taxes and special assessments so levied whether payable presently when so levied or in installments over a period of years shall be credits or offsets to indebtedness incurred for such purposes in calculating the debt of such city; to provide for the use and operation of any rapid transit system by private corporations organized for that purpose. No law passed in pursuance hereof shall authorize the construction of any rapid transit railway system, flood protective works, wharves, piers or quays, highway tunnels or underground or overhead streets, unless at a public election held therefor a majority of the electors voting thereon shall consent thereto.

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

CLYDE L. KING,

CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 4-A. A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto a

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Com-monwealth of Pennsylvania in General As-sembly met, That the following amend-ment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article there

of:
That article nine be amended by adding thereto the following section:
Section 19. In addition to the purposes stated in article nine, section four, of this Constitution, the State may be authorized to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars (\$50,000,000) for the acquisition of lands and buildings and the construction and improvement of state-owned buildings and the equipment thereof for the care and maintenance of penal offenders, delinquents, mental defectives, epileptics, and persons mentally diseased.

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the enlargement of existing State build-ings and State Institutions. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 5-A. CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article three 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 amend-

sembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That article three be amended by adding thereto the following:

Section 35. The General Assembly may by general law make appropriations of money for assistance to aged indigent residents of the Commonwealth.

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

CLYDE L. KING.

CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth

A JOINT RESOLUTION

No. 7-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

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

Section 1. Be it enacted 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 the Constitution of the Comonwealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

That article nine, section eight of the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8. The debt of any city, borough, township, school district, or other municipality or incorporated district, exceept as provided herein and in section fifteen of this article, shall never exceed seven (7) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, and the debt of any county except as provided in section fifteen of this article shall never exceed ten (10) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable realty therein; but the debt of the City of Philadelphia may be increased in such amount that the total city debt of said city shall not exceed fourteen (14) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable realty therein; nor teen (14) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable realty therein; nor shall any such county, municipality, or district incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two amount of one hundred and fifty 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 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State except to s/pply casual deficiencies of revenues, 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 one hundred and fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth.

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

CLYDE L, KING,
Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto an additional section.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met That the following amended to reasolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly and the debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two closers of consent of the case of councition of taxable realty in the case of consent of the electors. In ascertaining the browned the provided by law; but the city of Philadelphia at any time provided by law; but the city of Philadelphia at any time, there shall be deducted from such debt so much of the constitution of taxable realty in the case of consent of the remunicipalities

tire said obligations at maturity; the payment to such sinking-fund to be in equal or graded, annual, or other periodical installments. Where any indebtedness shall be or shall have been incurred by said City of Philadelphia for the purpose of the construction or improvements of public works or utilities of any character from be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article there of:

That article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended by adding thereto the following new section:

Section 16. The General Assembly may authorize the City of Pittsburgh to levy special assessments against both abutting and non-abutting property, peculiarly benefited, for the payment of any public improvement whatsoever; to lay out and build as additional public improvements, for the payment of which properties peculiarly benefited shall be liable to special assessments, rapid transit railway systems, drainage and sewerage systems, flood protective works, wharves, piers and quays, highway tunnels and bridges, and underground and overhead streets, supplements or grigorial streets and streets are street systems.

piration of said period of one year after the completion of said work. A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 7-A. CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 8-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION Proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto sec-tion One B.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Com-monwealth 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 eighteenth article thereof:

That article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania is hereby amended by adding thereto section 1 B, which reads as follows:

Section 1 B. Taxation laws may grant exemptions or rebates to residents, or estates of residents, of other States which grant similar exemptions or rebates to residents, or estates of residents, of Penn-

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 8-A CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto an additional section.

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 beautiful the serve is horsely represent in the server of the server is horsely represent in the server in the server is the server of the server in the server of the server is the server of the server in the server of the server is the server of the server in the server of the server is the server of the serv be and the same is hereby proposed in ac-cordance with the eighteenth article there-

That article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended by adding thereto the following

epileptics, and persons mentally diseased.

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

CLYDE L. KING,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 5-A.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by adding thereto a section.

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 nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is hereby amended by adding thereto the following ascion:

Section 1. That the State may be authorized by law to create debt and to issue bonds not exceeding in the aggregate one hundred millions of dollars, for the construction of office buildings in and a Memorial Bridge in and adjacent to the Capital Park; for the acquisition of lands and the construction thereon of State buildings and State Institutions; and for

piers or quays, highways, tunnels or underground or overhead streets unless at a public election held therefor a majority of the electors voting thereon shall consent A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 9-A.

CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 10-A.

RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitu-tion of Pennsylvania.

Be it resolved that the following amend-ment to the Constitution of the Common-wealth of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof.

That article nine of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania be amended by adding thereto the following section sixteen:

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Section 16. The debt of any city of the second class shall never exceed ten per centum upon the assessed value of the tax-able property therein, nor shall any such city of the second class incur any new debt or increase its indebtedness to an amount or increase its indeptedness to an amount exceeding two per centum upon such assessed valuation of property without the consent of the electors thereof, at a public election, in such manner as shall be pro-

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 10-A.
CLYDE L. KING,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

No. 1—1926.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

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Proposing an amendment to article eight, section seven, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section I. 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 eighteenth article thereof:

That section seven, of article eight, is hereby amended to read as folows:

Section 7. All laws regulating the holding of elections by the citizens, or for the registration of electors, shall be uniform throughout the State, except that laws regulating and requiring the registration of electors may be enacted to apply to cities only, provided that such laws be uniform for cities of the same class, and except further, that the General Assembly shall by general law, permit the use of voting machines, or other mechanical devices for registering or recording and computing the vote, at all elections or primaries, in machines, or other mechanical devices for registering or recording and computing the vote, at all elections or primaries, in any county, city, borough or township of the Commonwealth, at the option of the electors of such county, city, borough or township, without being obliged to require the use of such voting machines or mechanical devices in any other county, city, borough or township, under such regulations with reference thereto as the General Assembly may from time to time prescribe. The General Assembly may, from time to time, prescribe the number and duties of election officers in any political subdivision of the Commonwealth in which voting machines or other mechanical devices and the subdivision of the Commonwealth in which voting machines or other mechanical devices. voting machines or other mechanical de-vices authorized by this section may be

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1-1926.

CLYDE L. KING, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to article fifteen, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, by adding thereto a new section to be known as section four thereof.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Com-monwealth of Pennsylvania in General As-sembly met, That the following amend-ment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be and the same is hereby proposed in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

cordance with the eighteenth article thereof:

Section 4. The General Assembly is hereby authorized to provide for the consolidation of the county, poor districts, cities, boroughs and townships of the county of Allegheny, and the offices thereof, into a consolidated city and county, with the constitutional and legal capacity of a municipal corporation, to be known as the City of Pittsburgh, and to provide for a charter for its government. The said charter shall be submitted to the electors of said county, at a special election to be provided for therein. If the majority of the electors voting thereon, in the county as a whole, and at least two-thirds of all the electors voting thereon in each of a majority of the cities, boroughs and townships thereof, vote in the affirmative, the act shall take effect for the whole county. If rejected, the said charter may be resubmitted to the electors in original, new or modified form, at any subsequent election until adopted. until adopted. It shall be competent, subject to the po

It shall be competent, subject to the police power of the State, for the Legislature to provide in said charter:

1. For the exercise, by the consolidated city, of all the powers and duties vested in the county of Allegheny, and the poor districts thereof, and such other powers appropriate to a municipality as may be specified therein, except such powers as are specifically reserved by this section to the municipal divisions herein provided for.

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2. For the election by the people of the consolidated city, of a board of commissioners, the number to be fixed by the charter, in lieu of present county commissioners, in which board shall be vested all the powers of the consolidated city and county, except as otherwise provided in the charter.

3. For the organization of a government for the consolidated city and county, and for the election or appointment of the constitutional and other necessary officers thereof, and for their powers and duties.

4. For the organization of all courts, other than those of record, in the consolidated city, and for the procedure thereof, and for the appointment of judges and officers thereof, which courts shall exercise the jurisdiction, powers and duties of the magistrates, aldermen and justices of the peace, and such other powers as may be conferred by law.

5. For the transfer to the consolidated city of the property and indebtedness of the cities, boroughs and townships thereof, and of such property and indebtedness of the cities, boroughs and townships thereof as relate to the powers and duties of said consolidated city, and to provide for an equitable adjustment and payment of such indebtedness, and for this purpose, any taxation therein shall be uniform taxation within the meaning and intent of other provisions of this Constitution.

6. For the assessment of property for

6. For the assessment of property for taxation, the levying and collection of taxes, and the payment of the cost of any public improvement, in whole or in part, by special assessment upon abutting and non-abutting property materially bene-

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fited thereby, and, for this purpose, real estate so charged shall be classified as urban, suburban and rural, and assessments made in accordance with such classifications.

ban, suburban and rural, and assessments made in accordance with such classifications.

7. For the creation, by the board of commissioners, of districts for the purpose of regulating the location, height, area, bulk and use of buildings and premises.

8. For the creation, by the board of commissioners, of special districts for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, maintaining, operating or contracting for, any puble property, work, improvement, utility or service, not for the exclusive benefit of any one municipal division, and for the payment of the costs and maintenance of such property, work, improvement, utility or service, there may be special taxes levied throughout such special districts respectively, separate and apart from the general city tax.

Provided, however, that it is the intent of this section that substantial powers be reserved to the cities, boroughs and townships situated in Allegheny County. To this end the charter shall provide for the continued existence of the said cities, boroughs and townships, as municipal divisions of the consolidated city, under their present names and forms of government, subject to the laws provided for government of municipalities of their respective forms and classes, except as provided in the charter, and with their present boundaries, provided that the city of Pittsburgh may be designated by a term other than city and may be divided into two or more municipal divisons, and that any two or more municipal divisons of the consolidated city may, with the consent of a majority of the electors voting thereon in each more municipal divisons of the consolidated city may, with the consent of a majority of the electors voting thereon in each of such divisions at any general or special election, be united to form a single municipal division.

The said municipal divisions shall have and continue to possess the following powers:

The constitutional and legal capacity

The said municipal divisions snail nave and continue to possess the following powers:

1. The constitutional and legal capacity of municipal corporations, except as limited in the charter.

2. The power to lay and collect taxes and to incur indebtedness, subject to the limitations which are or may be imposed by law upon cities, boroughs or townships of corresponding classification, for the purpose of carrying out any lawful power of said divisions.

3. The power to acquire, own, construct, maintain, operate or contract for all kinds of public property, works, improvements, utilities or services, which shall be within the municipal division, and principally for the use and benefit of the inhabitants thereof, provded this power shall not be taken to include the construction and maintenance of through-traffic streets and bridges, tunnels, subways and appurtenances thereof, nor main or prunk lines for sewer, power and water service, running through more than one municipal division, and designated as such by the board of commissioners.

4. The power to maintain a local police force, and local fire department, with the necessary buildings, appurtenances and equipment therefor, which may be supplemental to the police force and fire department of the consolidated city.

5. The power to establish a limitation of indebtedness for the consolidated city and the municipal divisions thereof, provided that the total of the indebtedness of the consolidated city and the municipal division to the separate municipalities.

6. All other powers not specifically granted by the Constitution to the county and to the separate municipalities.

6. All other powers of municipal divisions may surrender, by majority vote of the electors voting thereon at any general or special election; Provided, That no amendment reducing the powers of municipal divisions shall be effective unless ratified by a majority of the electors voting thereon in each of a majority of said divisions.

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