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Political Announcements. FOR SHERIFF. BENJAMIN F. FAUST, of Bloomsburg. Subject to the decision of the Democratic Party at the Primary Election on June 5th, 1909, 2 to 8 p. m.

SCHOOL CODE BILL VETOED. Governor Stuart Also Turns Down the Big Highway Bill, His Pet Measure.

The school code, the Philadelphia to Pittsburgh highway and the Capitol Park extension bills were vetoed by Governor Stuart last Friday. The big road bill was his own project, but he disapproved it rather than to cut \$3,000,000 from the State appropriations to charities.

SCHOOL CODE BILL. In vetoing the school code the governor said: "The bill drafted by the Pennsylvania State Educational Commission and submitted to the legislature was so changed by amendments during its passage through the legislature, many of the best features of the original draft being eliminated and numerous amendments made which destroyed the harmony of the bill by introducing many contradictory provisions, that it is more than doubtful whether an approval of the bill would be of any benefit to the cause of education in the State. Irrespective of this, however, the bill, as certified to me, under the provisions of the constitution shows that in connection with the proviso to section 203, the printed word 'city' on line 26, was stricken out with the pen and the word 'district' in red ink, written above it. Shortly after the receipt of the certified bill I was informed by certain members of the Pennsylvania Educational Commission that the bill as it finally passed the Senate, contained the printed word 'city' and did not contain the word 'district,' and that it finally passed the legislature in this form.

"In view of this information, I examined into the matter and satisfied myself that the bill as finally passed did not contain the word 'district' but did contain the word 'city' in the sentence under consideration. To approve this bill, therefore, would be to approve a bill that did not pass the legislature in the form in which it was presented to me for executive action. For those reasons the bill is not approved."

THE STATE ROAD BILL. The governor explains his disapproving of the State road bill in the following language: "This bill authorizes the construction of a State highway from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh and makes an appropriation of \$5,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of carrying into effect its provisions. The bill was passed by the legislature upon my recommendation, supporting, as I believe, a constructive policy and for the interests of the people of the Commonwealth. As I have been compelled to make large reductions in the appropriations made by the legisla-

ture for the reason that they are in excess of the revenues of the State, I have concluded, after serious consideration, that in order not to interfere with the appropriations for the maintenance of the public schools, the indigent insane, the charities of the Commonwealth and the consumptive poor, and as it has been necessary for me to withhold my approval from other meritorious appropriation bills, this bill is not approved."

The governor signed the following bills: Repealing the act empowering school directors of the several townships to exercise the powers of a board of health, the State Department of Health now being equipped to look after this branch of the work. Providing regulations for the control of certain communicable diseases and the prevention of infection therefrom, by more prompt quarantine and requiring school teachers to exclude all pupils coming from an infected house or district.

Defining the rights and functions of official visitors of jails and penitentiaries, permitting interviews with prisoners, private or otherwise with prohibiting the giving of any chattel or object by said official visitors. Authorizing the Board of Pardons to appoint a secretary and fixing the salary at \$1,000 a year.

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Governor Stuart's Wise Veto. It would be clearly unjust to Governor Stuart to withhold from him a full measure of praise for his veto of all bills passed by the Legislature during its recent session, creating new courts and increasing the number of Judges in the State. There were several bills of that sort. It is a favorite method of the machine for rewarding sinister service and a few imagined that the Governor would not assume the responsibility of disappointing the bosses. But he did so most effectively. He struck down every one of them and there will be weeping and wailing among the expectants of the commissions.

We can imagine nothing less needed than additional judges in Pennsylvania. There are already so many of them that half the number are threatened with dry rot because they have insufficient work to keep their brains actively employed. But bills were passed creating a new court with three judges in Allegheny county, providing for an additional judge in Cambria county and another in Erie county. The only excuse for another judge in Cambria county is that the sitting judge is a Democrat. The excuse in Erie county was that there is a political favorite there who needs employment and money. It is to be hoped that this will put an end to the strife on the part of the machine for new judges. There are already one hundred common pleas judges and sixteen judges of Orphans' courts. Half this number could perform the judicial service better than the whole because the lesser number would feel that they ought to work. But the machine imagined that it could impose this additional burden upon the public and increase the political patronage. But Governor Stuart has disappointed them. He vetoed every bill of the kind that was left to him and the public ought to show its appreciation of the service.—Bellefonte Watchman.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent. Washington, D. C., May 17, 1909. "When will Congress adjourn?" is the question put to the Vice President, Speaker Cannon, Senators and Representative whenever they appear at the White House. Speaker Cannon replied recently: "If you will tell me when the Senate will pass the tariff bill I will give you a pretty good guess as to when Congress will adjourn. The only thing that moves and carries the previous question in the Senate is from 96 to 100 in the shade."

Every week further evidences are given that the Senate is not in good humor, and every day there are outbursts of peevishness and irritation on the part of the members of that dignified body. The lead schedule, so far as pig lead is concerned has been disposed of, and in the last few days the earthenware and chinaware paragraphs have provoked much debate. The opinion is quite general that the real tariff bill will be made in conference, and that such a bill will be turned out as the President can sign. At present the President and Congress are not in perfect accord in regard to the bill, but there is every reason to believe that compromise will be the effective method by which the bill will be shaped into what it should be.

When President Taft sent to the Senate the nomination of Henry Groves Connor, Democrat, for judge of the Eastern district of North Carolina, he only carried out his avowed policy of appointing the best lawyers he can to places on the federal bench, whether they be Republicans or Democrats. The contest for the place has been a bitter one and the Republicans of the Eastern District of North Carolina recently urged the President not to appoint a Democrat even if he had to go out of the district to find a suitable Republican for the place. The nomination of Judge Connor did not come as a surprise to those who have followed the matter closely. He is regarded at the White House as a man of liberal views and was on the bench of the supreme court of North Carolina for about ten years, and before that for a number of years was a judge of the superior courts.

Washington is much disappointed over the failure of Congress to provide funds for the construction of a gas plant and balloon house at the Fort Myer aerodrome. On account of the lack of appropriations, Gen. James Allen, the chief officer of the signal corps, has been forced to change his plans for the aeronautical trials and tests at Fort Myer this summer. The army motor balloon No. 1, purchased last fall, will be shipped immediately to Fort Omaha, where a modern hydrogen gas plant and balloon house have been erected. The change in the program, however, for the balloon flights will not interfere with the plans for the Wright Bro's and Herring aeroplane trials at Fort Meyer.

The Signal Corps of the army is to make experiments, also, with a view to increasing the range of field wireless telegraph equipment. The apparatus now in use is carried on pack animals, and is capable of sending and receiving messages twenty-three miles. A set of portable wireless apparatus of German manufacture has been recently purchased for trial. The equipment is carried on wheels instead of on the back of mules, and it has a range of over a hundred miles. Four horses are necessary to haul the vehicle, which is equipped with an extensible mast capable of elevation to the height of sixty feet. The German apparatus will be carefully examined and tried, to determine if it possesses any advantageous features which may be adopted by our service.

The army status of Captain Peter C. Hains, who has been convicted of manslaughter in the New York courts, is the occasion of considerable speculation. At present Capt. Haines' name is on the roll of the army with the designation "absent, in custody of the civil authorities." An officer cannot be court-martialed without his being present during the trial, and it is regarded as unlikely that, in the event that Capt. Hains is finally convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary, the civil authorities would permit him to appear before an army court-martial. This would forestall his being dishonorably dismissed. Of course no action will be taken by the War Department while Capt. Hains' appeal is pending, but if he is finally convicted it is probable that his case will be presented to a retiring board which will find from the record, that he has become "morally and physically unfit for the service", following which decision he will be absolutely retired "by order of the President". Absolute retirement, unlike retirement for age, will deprive him of all rank and retired pay, it being practically analogous to the "dismissal without honor" of the men implicated in the Brownsville raid.

John H. Sanderson, of Philadelphia, under conviction for defrauding the State of Pennsylvania in connection with the furnishing of the State Capitol at Harrisburg, died last Thursday at Sherry's in New York, where he had made his home for the past two years. It is a remarkable fact, that with the death of Sanderson, three men concerned with the great scandal have perished since the investigation of the Capitol work began. The other two were George F. Payne, who built the Capitol, and William M. Mathews, who, as State Treasurer, paid the bills for the work. Both Mathews and Sanderson were under conviction and had been sentenced to prison, but had taken appeals. Sanderson has for two years lived a most secluded life at Sherry's. He has been a very sick man, much of the time, and has taken every precaution to avoid publicity. Though he died some time between 3 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon, the fact of his death was kept as secret as possible, and it was not until nearly midnight that the management at Sherry's would admit that he was dead. He was a victim of Bright's disease. John H. Sanderson collected more than \$5,250,000 for lighting fixtures, marble and "mahogany" and wainscoting and other "furnishings" of the Capitol. Sanderson has been a preferred contractor under Gang regime for many years and he had a monopoly of the contract for furnishing the new Capitol.

CAPITOL TRIMMER SANDERSON DEAD.

Third of the Men Concerned in Great State Scandal to Die.

Sanderson was a member of the Union League, of Philadelphia, and he served as an aide on the military staff of Governor Beaver many years ago, still retaining the title of "Colonel." He retired from business after the exposure of the Capitol scandal, and has since been living sumptuously in New York.

Sanderson was married during the height of the legislative investigation to Miss Angelina Gray, of Glenside, who survives. He has one brother, Harry Sanderson. Also has a brother-in-law, who was witness at trial and was prime mover in Pennsylvania Bronze Company.

For years Sanderson was the regular contractor for furniture for the State buildings in Harrisburg, and when the Capitol job was ready he was the favored contractor, dividing the contracts only with H. Burd Cassel, who supplied the metallic filing cases. When State Treasurer Berry first sprung the scandal Sanderson was loud in his protestations of honesty.

Mrs. Margaret Dehart, wife of Ranslo Dehart, died at the Mercy Hospital, at Wilkes-Barre, on Sunday, and the remains were brought here on Monday. The funeral was held in St. Columba's Church on Tuesday at 9 o'clock, Rev. J. R. Murphy officiating. She is survived by her husband and a daughter thirteen years old.

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