

# STATE LAW MAKERS

Harrisburg.—Resolutions calling upon people of Pennsylvania and the Government of the State, all counties and municipalities to buy American-made products were introduced into the House by Mr. McClig, Allegheny.

The resolutions recite that as American manufacturing industries are only partially operating at this time and that as the State, county and local governments are constantly purchasing supplies, there is a big opportunity for American-made goods. The officers of the State Government are requested to specify and purchase at all times "the products of the United States of America" and local governments, school boards and public and private institutions and individuals are urged to do the same.

The resolution also requests newspapers to encourage buying of American products.

The Senate bill providing for commitments to State Home for Inebriates was passed and the Habgood bill regulating advertising of State notices was sent back to the Printing Committee. The "pure paint" bill was postponed after a discussion of its possibilities.

Other bills passed finally included: Requiring Philadelphia county to establish a pension fund for employees.

Providing for contracts between counties and cities for road improvements.

Permitting companies organized in other States to manufacture clay products to hold realty in Pennsylvania.

Authorizing municipalities to make appropriations to libraries under certain conditions.

Providing that criminal action may be started if checks given in payment without money on deposit are not made good in twenty days.

Regulating vacation of public roads and their continuance as private roads with court approval.

Regulating advertising of delinquent taxes in second-class cities.

Senate bill enlarging powers of cities and counties to unite in construction of an official building.

Regulating merger of street railway companies of Pennsylvania and those of other States.

Senate bill empowering second-class cities to construct and maintain street railway tracks and equipment and to lease the same.

Repealing Act of March 16, 1867, relative to Treasurer of Lehigh county.

The House passed by 179 to 2 the Walton bill to provide civil service for police and fire departments of third-class cities. It was amended so as not to include volunteer fire departments.

After a debate the House passed the bill to appropriate to the State Game Commission \$324,800 realized from hunters' licenses. The vote was 111 to 53, objection being made because the bill increases game wardens from 29 to 50 and raises their pay from \$900 to \$1,200. The bill also carries provisions to pay the secretary \$5,000 a year.

A State commission to investigate the proposition of old age pensions for Pennsylvania is provided for in a bill introduced into the House by Mr. Alcorn, Clearfield. The Governor is empowered to appoint a committee of three which will serve without compensation. It is directed to make a study and to hold hearings, reporting before November 1, 1916, to the Governor who will transmit its findings to the next Legislature. An appropriation of \$5,000 is carried and authority given to employ a secretary at \$2,500 and clerical help as needed.

The military code was passed on second reading with a few minor amendments and the general appropriation bill was reported out for printing as committed. The bill regulating civil practice in the courts of the State was reported from committee.

Mr. Hollingsworth, Chester, presented a bill providing that when animals are killed to prevent spread of foot and mouth disease the State veterinarian shall pay the owners "fair market value" without taking into consideration condition of the animal as to disease. Upon killing of animals to prevent spread of a disease other than foot and mouth disease, the State is to pay two-thirds of fair market value, taking into consideration physical condition and what may be realized from sale of carcass.

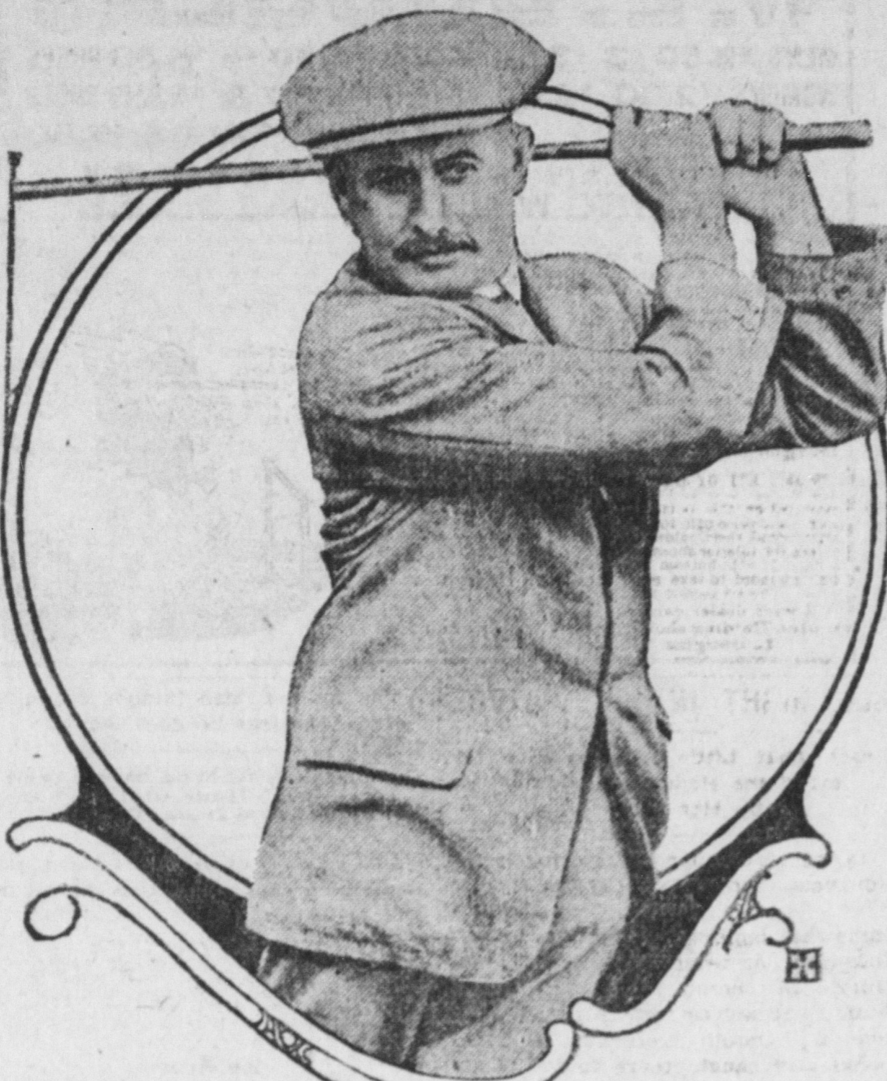
An amendment to the Act of 1913 prohibiting shooting, trapping, snaring or poisoning of foxes in Delaware County was presented to the House by Mr. Neville, Montgomery, which, if passed, would extend the same prohibition to Chester and Montgomery Counties.

Mr. Body, Berks, introduced a bill making it the duty of every person, partnership or corporation in charge of land to remove noxious weeds under penalty of ten dollars fine. Constables may require removal of such weeds and supervisors are to cut down those along highways.

New bills in the House passed the 1000 mark. Those presented included: Jones, Susquehanna—Providing that when an existing bridge on a State highway is destroyed or worn out the State shall rebuild.

Hubler, Luzerne—Appropriating \$5,000 to the National Washington Commission to erect tablets or markers within the State indicating course of Washington's route to the Venango in 1753.

## ACME OF CONTROL OF LITTLE GOLF BALL



Harry Vardon, English Golfer.

In the opinion of Harry Vardon, the English golf expert, the acme of control lies in the ability to slice or pull a ball at will. On occasions Vardon has extricated himself from tight places by resorting to this form of master shot, but it is doubtful if anyone has the pulled ball down to such a point of science as had the late Will Anderson.

It was at Oakland some fifteen years ago when the course at Bay Side consisted of nine holes that Anderson had a chance to show his wonderful cleverness in this line. Being the Bautsol professional at the time, Anderson had been selected by James A. Tying as a partner in four-ball match against Walter J. Travis, then a member of the Oakland Golf club, and Dave Hunter, at that time the professional there. In playing what was the home hole the drive was over a deep valley to a level stretch of turf beyond, after which the hole turned sharply to the left around a point of woods.

In those days of the solid ball, golfers considered it a good "stunt" to drive past the bend so as to have an open shot for the green on their

next, but in this particular match Anderson started the gallery by imparting some mysterious spin to the ball, thereby causing it to travel straight for 150 yards or so and then gracefully turn to the left, finally disappearing round the bend well on its way toward the green. Four times did Anderson accomplish this feat that day without a mistake, and on each occasion it enabled him to get home with an iron, whereas the others were compelled to use brassies with indifferent results. Since that day Anderson won a dozen or more championships, including the national open four times and the western on three occasions.

Another master stroke rarely attempted was brought off by Findlay S. Douglas during the national championship at Morris county back in 1898. In those days Douglas showed a preference for a wooden putter, which he brought over with him when he said farewell to old St. Andrews, and decided to cast his fortune with the land of the free. Although often called a bad putter Douglas got along remarkably well in this tournament with the old-fashioned wooden contrivance, almost obsolete now.

## GOSSIP AMONG SPORTS

That the outlook points to a revival of football at Columbia seems now certain.

Fred Blanding, the husky pitcher of the Naps, says he is through with the game.

Mike Mowrey will return to the game and play third base for Oakes' Pittfeds.

Cash betting on the New York tracks and open bookmaking is the forecast for the season.

Joe Shugrue says that he is fighting his way into a law school with intention of practicing.

Everybody is alive to the seriousness of war now. England has called off the 1915 golf championship.

Miller Huggins has signed with the Cardinals. The little manager is perfectly satisfied with the terms of his contract.

The Feds have adopted a rule which will cause a fine of \$200 to be attached to the pitcher who dares to use the emery ball.

Stuffy McInnis of the Athletics blames the Feds for breaking up the Athletics last fall, and not dissension, as some think.

Connie Mack says that the players are exacting 90 per cent of the profits of baseball and seek more through threats to jump to the Federals.

Eichenlaub, the battering ram full-back of Notre Dame, has retired from athletics, which in his case means the captaincy of the 1915 track team.

Harry Lord would be a welcome addition to the White Sox. Manager Clarence Rowland says he would be glad to have the third baseman return.

"Home Run" Baker says traveling is distasteful, yet we remember one round trip he made at the Polo grounds that must have been enjoyable to him.

A syndicate of wealthy men has been formed at Lexington, Ky., for the purpose of purchasing the best thoroughbred mares in England for breeding purposes in this country.

## DISCOVERS HE HAS METHOD

Georges Carpentier, French Champion, Never Knew He Had One Until He Wrote Book.

Georges Carpentier, French champion boxer, in his amusing little book, "My Method," gives some sound and interesting advice to amateur athletes. He begins with the confession that the pen has always appeared to him as a dangerous instrument and that he was horrified when his friends first suggested that he should write a book on his methods. "Besides," writes Carpentier, "I did not know that I had a method and no one could have been more surprised than I when I was told I had one."

He goes on to tell how, with the help of a friend, the book was laboriously compiled, and how at the end



Georges Carpentier.

of his labors he discovered himself; so that after all there was some justification in calling the book "Ma Methode." Carpentier is a good all-round athlete and when training does a great deal of rowing, tennis, sprinting, rope-skipping, jumping and Swedish leg and arm joint exercises, always accompanied by scientific deep breathing.

Doesn't Want Austin. Manager Rickey of the Browns denies a story sent out from Pittsburgh that he has made an effort to get Jimmy Austin to jump back from the Feds. Rickey feels that Austin's jump relieved him of some embarrassment. He did not want to turn a faithful veteran like Austin down, yet could not figure him as a regular player on the Browns this year.

## PASSING OF ROWDY PLAYERS

Drinking, Carousing and Other Forms of Dissipation, Once So Prevalent, Are Seldom Noticed.

No game under the sun has improved in regard to the personnel of its participants as baseball, according to Scott E. Chesnett of Birmingham, a Southern league umpire.

"There are very few rowdies in the game today," he added, "and time will soon come when a rowdy will no more be tolerated in baseball than in any other profession. Drinking, carousing and other forms of dissipation, once so prevalent, are very seldom witnessed today."

Baseball players have learned that rough tactics avail them nothing, but this is directly the result of the firm hand of Judge Kavanaugh, president of the league, and the frequent expression of disapproval on the part of the fans. Throughout the 1914 season, I was compelled to put out of games only three men, whereas in the olden days umpires often put out half a dozen in one afternoon. And another improvement which is noted is that no longer do sporting editors attempt to roast umpires. During the season I was not adversely criticized a single time, unless one might construe a remark to the effect that I "missed one or two" in the nature of a criticism.

"All in all, the game is on a very high plane in the Southern league."

## SCHAEFER GOES TO NEWARK

To Act as Coach and Utility Man for New England Club—Will Put on Humorous Sketches.

"Germany" Schaefer, diamond comedian and former second baseman, has joined the Feds. It was announced in New York the other day that the veteran who was released recently by



"Germany" Schaefer.

Washington, had signed a two year contract with Pat Powers' Newark club.

It is supposed Schaefer is to act as coach and utility man for the new Fed club and put on his humorous acrobatic sketches for the amusement of the fans.

## HORSEHIDE IS GOOD ENOUGH

Mistaken Idea That Hide of Siberian Pony Is Used in Manufacture of Baseball Covers.

Manufacturers of baseball supplies are laughing at a report which has gained circulation to the effect that the national sport will be seriously handicapped next season, due to an insufficient number of baseballs for major and minor league use. According to the report, the hide of the Siberian pony was the only leather suitable for baseball covers, and since the war had shut off this supply of skins the world's series might have to be played next October with defective balls, if played at all.

Investigation showed that plain, everyday American horsehide is the only skin used for covering baseballs, and that there is the usual supply in sight. This hide does not stretch or sag under the impact of bat and has always proved satisfactory. "Perhaps," remarked one manufacturer, "the Siberian pony skin would stand up better under the batting of Ty Cobb or Jake Daubert, but for the average hitter of the major and minor leagues American horsehide can stand his lustiest belts and come back for more. In fact, if what some of the club managers tell me about their batters is true, ordinary wrapping paper would sustain the strain."

Manda Released. Infielder Manda has been released by the Chicago Americans to the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast league.

Women Have Bowling League. Grand Rapids Women's Bowling league is made up of six five-player teams.

## BEST SPRING COLOR

BLUE SERGE MOST POPULAR OF THE SEASON.

For Small Girl's Wear Nothing Can Be Better—Here is Garment That Will Make Up in Most Satisfactory Way.

As enduring as the rock of ages, blue serge comes into its own every spring. Not that it goes out at any other season—but in springtime it is as omnipresent as showers, flowers and nice earthy smells. Always popular, serviceable and in the best of taste, it holds an assured position that no upstart, short-lived rival material can oust it from.

For your small girl's between-season coat nothing could suit your purpose more satisfactorily than navy blue serge, and a splendid design by which to make up such a garment is offered in the sketch.

The odd feature is the belt, which is an extension of the right side of the coat. Starting from the neck, the overlapping right side resolves itself into a slanting five-inch band that curves gradually into the belt. The end is pointed and brought around to the center front of the coat, then fastened in place with three buttons, corresponding with the three that hold the top of the coat together. Snap buttons at the sides and back of the belt will serve to hold it in place. There



Little Girl's Coat of the Ever-Popular Blue Serge.

are square, turned-back cuffs and a collar of serge, on top of which may be worn another set of white pique. The sleeves are cut in one with the body and the belting in of the coat induces a gracefulness in the skirt portion.

## WASTE BASKET MADE NEW

Small Touches Rejuvenate Receptacle So That It is Again an Ornament to Room.

When the old wicker waste basket has become yellowed and scarred with age it can be beautifully and easily rejuvenated by a tight covering of colored silk or lining, and then a second and top covering of crocheted lace. The round waste basket does not agree very readily with the application of crocheted lace, but the square, octagonal or paneled waste basket can be readily fitted up in this manner. Crochet panels of lace the width and length of each side of the basket. First baste each separate panel, thus crocheted, to the basket, through the wicker, and then proceed to whip the panels together with white thread and

## OLD IDEAS TO BE REVIVED

For Home Decoration Crochet Work and Netting Will Be Favorites of the Future.

Lace assumes more and more an important place in the domain of home furnishing. It is so important that upholsterers have to employ lacemakers and are obliged to make lace purchases on a considerable scale.

Among other things, pianos and windows are draped with lace, leaving room for legitimate upholstery to come afterward. All styles are available. The "renaissance" combines with lace of quite modern origin. And, combining with all and second to none in fashion or effect, is the old-fashioned crochet. The present taste for crochet denotes a remarkable revival in this kind of thing.

Another revival besides it, and making common cause with house and especially drawing room decoration, is the equally old-fashioned netting. For long years past this species of handwork has been left almost exclusively to fishermen and their wives.

It served for fishing nets and that was about all. But now it is coming back as fast as it can to the place it occupied, let us say, a hundred years ago, in the repertoire of fancy work for women.

Then was the time when dainty slipper-cased feet were put forward and used in the service of the kind of fancy work known as knitting. Now machinery does a great deal of the work which human fingers aided by the foot used to do.

But whether wrought by fingers or machinery, it remains a fact that old-

## MORNING FROCK



Dress of White Tulle Daintily Trimmed With Pink Roses. Bash of Chiffon With Embroidered End Drops From Corsage in Front.

an ordinary sewing needle. Bind the top and bottom of the basket with ribbon to match the first layer of material used upon the basket and place a not-too-large bow at the side. The color used in making the basket should, of course, match the color scheme of the boudoir or bedroom for which the basket is intended.

## WORTH AGAIN GETTING BUSY

Great Parisian Costumer Has Sent Out Some Hints as to Coming Spring Costumes.

Paris is beginning to take a little interest in the question of costumes just now, and the foremost couturiers are sending forth their messages of fabric line and trimming almost as in former seasons. Worth is making many wonderful frocks for the spring. A recent letter from the fashion center says:

"Worth is employing gabardine and very soft, silky and supple cloth for his walking costumes. Fallie Francaise is also being used by him very extensively, and for his evening gowns he is using a great deal of charmeuse pekinge with silver. His skirts are very wide and short, showing the shoe. The sleeves of his evening dresses are elbow length; for the 'robes de ville' the sleeves are all long. The collars are all very high and close-fitting. Worth is also making underskirts, as these will now be worn with the very wide dresses."

## New Cotton Fabrics.

Rodolphe is the name of a new cotton veiling which comes in all the new "silent colors." Fosforina, a new highly finished gabardine, is also one of the new spring novelties in fabrics. The "silent" colors instead of loud shades, narrow and wide stripes, small squares and spots are most in vogue.

The new white gabardine voile is a beautiful material for the one-piece gown, not too hot nor too heavy, and with a remarkable power of resisting wrinkling.

fashioned netting is a distinct revival and that its presence in drawing rooms throws an air of fashion around them. The effects of embroidery upon it are now more artistic than of yore, nature as well as pictures often serving as models.

## SLEEVES MAY BE REPAIRED

Skillfully Done, the Waist Can Be Made Prettier Than It Was at the Beginning.

If you have a kimono-sleeved waist most likely it has torn under the arms in the way that those sleeves have from the strain. A patch on such a tear shows too much to be allowable on a dress for nice wear, and the following plan makes a good substitute for the darn or patch. Cut the sleeve on top, down the center from the neck to the wrist; now insert in it some sort of appropriate trimming, such as a silk band. If this is two or three inches wide it widens both the sleeve and the waist just that much, and so makes sufficient fullness to allow for a deep seam under the arm where the soil or tear has been; and lo! the waist is not only mended but dressier than ever if there has already been an insertion or lace set in along the shoulder and arm line, a wider piece may do the work.

## Keep Shoe Mates Together.

Try keeping the children's shoes together in pairs by the use of clothespins. This will relieve the mother and the owners of the shoes of constant sorting and will keep the closet floor from getting disorderly.