

## MORE STATE CASH TO HELP SCHOOLS

Highways Also to Be More Favored by Appropriations Committees

### PENN WILL GET MILLION

Increase 25 Per Cent — Pittsburgh and State to Benefit. \$12,000,000 for Roads

*By a Staff Correspondent*

HARRISBURG, Feb. 7.—The appropriations bills for State highways and for education will be increased materially this session. The Appropriations Committees of both the Senate and the House have agreed upon a tentative apportionment of the \$75,000,000 they expect to appropriate, and the disbursements will include large increases in the appropriations for both education and good roads.

The State Highway Department will receive approximately \$12,000,000 for the next two years and State-aid education will receive about \$5,000,000, according to present plans.

The University of Pennsylvania will receive \$1,000,000 this session, an increase of almost twenty-five per cent. The University of Pittsburgh appropriation also will be increased, and State College will fare better than it did two years ago.

The last appropriation to the Highway Department for the construction of new roads and for maintenance was \$7,155,653.

The educational appropriations total \$46,911. The University of Pennsylvania got \$750,000; the University of Pittsburgh, \$600,000, and State College, \$995,000.

**HUNTERS' FEES HELP**

An unexpected "nest-egg" has been found by the Appropriations Committee in the form of the hunters' license fees.

More than \$30,000 is left in the State Treasury that is credited to the Game Commission. It was all received from hunters' license fees paid in 1916.

Representative Richard Powell, of Lancaster, chairman of the Fish and Game Committee of the House, has introduced a bill to have the entire balance appropriated to the Game Commission. While Chairman Woodward, of the House Appropriations Committee, has not taken any attitude in the matter, he is expected to favor the appropriation of about \$200,000 of the fund to the Game Commission, while the remainder might go over for other uses.

Friends of the Game Commissioners, however, are contemplating raising the point as to whether the Appropriations Committees have any right to recommend disbursements of these funds, and they are planning to contest any action except the endorsement of the Powell bill.

**WOULD COMBINE BODIES**

The Brumbaugh Administration is backing a movement to combine the Fish, Game and Forestry Commissions of the State into one department.

During the last two years more than \$500,000 has been received for hunting licenses, and this Legislature is expected to pass a law requiring all fishermen to take out their license a year. This law would at least double the income of these commissions, it is believed, and the combined incomes would pay all of the expenses of the proposed new department.

There is a balance in the State Treasury of about \$650,000 that has accumulated since 1915, when the present game law was passed. This is in spite of the fact that game protectors have been paid \$25 a month and the commission has been supplied with a liberal contingent fund for traveling expenses and other incidentals.

**Flag Saluted in Jersey Court**

JERSEY CITY, Feb. 7.—When an American flag was hung behind the bench in the Common Pleas courtroom at Judge George G. Tennant's order, all in the room stood and gave the right hand salute. Such salutes will be given in all the county courthouse rooms hereafter when judges begin sessions.

## SPOUL RESOLUTION FACES HARDER BATTLE IN HOUSE

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article of the Constitution, enact laws with adequate penalties for its enforcement."

Senator Smith also offered a measure providing that the man elected by the qualified electors of a county within the Court of Quarter Sessions for the holding of an election to determine whether license for the sale of liquor shall be granted, the court shall order an election within not less than thirty and no more than forty days from the date of the order. Such elections may be held even if there is no election day.

The prohibition aims of the Smith constitutional amendment, which would not come before the voters before November, 1918, are reached by a quicker route by the terms of a bill introduced by Senator P. Snyder, Blair, who would have the manufacture and sale of liquor stopped by law after January 1, 1918. This bill does not prohibit druggists from selling liquor as now permitted or change the law in such a way as to permit religious purposes.

Senator F. P. Craft, Montgomery, offered a bill that would transfer the power to grant liquor licenses from the courts to the County Commissioners. The commissioners, under the terms of the measure, may appoint clerks help and they are allowed additional compensation for their added work, according to the population of the counties.

This graduated compensation is as follows:

Counties having a population of less than 150,000: \$1,750; 150,000 to 500,000: \$1,500; 500,000 to 1,500,000: \$1,000; 1,500,000 or more: \$2,500.

### BILL TO INCREASE COST OF VETERANS' FUNERALS

HARRISBURG, Feb. 7.—Representative Charles A. Schaffer, of Columbia County, introduced in the House yesterday a bill providing that hereafter when a veteran of the Civil War dies the county shall allow \$75 instead of the customary \$50 it has paid in the past for a funeral. The same provision is made to apply to another measure relating to the burial of veterans' widows.

Representative Morgan, Luzerne, offered an equal rights bill, which gives persons of all colors the same privileges in amusement places and public resorts.

Representative James A. Woodward, of Allegheny, offered a bill that would place the members of the State Prison Labor Commission on salary. They now serve the State without compensation. The bill provides a salary of \$750 a year and the other two members \$600 each. It also provides that the State and the various counties purchase supplies when possible from the articles and materials turned out by prison labor.

### MANY BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE STATE SENATE

HARRISBURG, Feb. 7.—The following bills were presented in the Senate:

Mr. King, Allegheny—Providing for a board of commissioners to enforce State laws.

Mr. Snyder, Blair—Prohibiting the manufacture, sale and distribution of intoxicating liquors except for medicinal purposes.

Mr. Shadaker, Bucks—Authorizing appeals from Courts of Common Pleas to Supreme and Superior Courts from orders granting new trials.

Mr. Jones, Susquehanna—Providing for vaccination of swine and swine roads in each county.

Mr. Jones, Susquehanna—Establishing State highway workers' compensation.

Mr. Phillips, Warren—Fixing terms of service of weights and measures to four years.

Mr. Shadaker, Bucks—Authorizing the purchase of men's contracts for supplies in Philadelphia.

Mr. Jenkins, Philadelphia—Limiting height of houses in suburban districts of Philadelphia to four feet except on special permits.

Mr. Jones, Allegheny—A bill to amend the Constitution to prohibit manufacture, sale or keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors and to amend a local option bill, with the county as a unit.

The following appropriation bills were introduced:

Mr. Shadaker, Philadelphia—Appropriating \$100,000 for expenses of the State system of recording deeds and mortgages, approved June, 1916.

Mr. Shadaker, Bucks—Appropriating \$25,000 for reading for erection of bronze statue in memory of General David M. McClintic Green.

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The making of wine and cider for home use is allowed, but not the manufacture of beer.

Mr. Jones, Allegheny—A bill authorizing the State Auditor General to audit the accounts of the State Auditor General.

Mr. Shadaker, Bucks—Regulating the employment of persons in compressed air works.

Mr. Phillips, Chester—Regulating the employment of persons in and about coal, ore and timber mines and providing for inspections by the State.

Mr. Morgan, Lancaster—Prohibiting discrimination against colored people and preventing their employment to prevent publications and distribution of discriminating matter against them.

Mr. Jones, Allegheny—Reducing tax from 100 to 50 mill on the dollar on whole lots of whole capital stock of mercantile corporations subject to mercantile license tax.

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