

PENROSE TO HOLD LEGISLATURE OPEN

Work Will Be Finished by June, but Adjournment Will Be Delayed

BRUMBAUGH THE CAUSE
Closing Assembly Would Leave Too Much Power in Hands of Governor

By a Staff Correspondent
HARRISBURG, March 28.—The legislative program was finally mapped out. The actual work of the session will close between May 15 and June 1, according to present plans. One or more recesses will then be taken until about the end of October, when final adjournment will be taken.

The Penrose leaders in the General Assembly are making the war crisis an excuse for holding the Legislature in session, at least technically, until late in the year for the purpose of holding a club over the head of Governor Brumbaugh and his administration.

Should the Legislature adjourn sine die after the appropriation bills have been passed finally the Governor would hold the balance of power in an election fight that might crop out within the organization. The Penrose leaders recognize this fact and have laid their plans accordingly. They propose now that the General Assembly remain in session, without exorbitant cost to the Commonwealth, until late in the year, as was done during the Spanish-American War.

WILL REMAIN READY
The revenue-raising measures and the general and other appropriation bills will be rushed through the Legislature in the middle of May. Instead of adjourning sine die, however, the Legislature will simply take a recess and will be in a position to be called into active session at a moment's notice without much extra cost to the State.

The Senators and Representatives receive state salaries for each session. So do the permanent employes of both houses. The per diem employes, however, will be discharged as soon as the recess is taken, according to the Penrose program, and there would then be no criticism of an expensive session.

The revenue-raising measures will not make their appearance until after the general appropriation bill is introduced in the House next Monday night.

At the same time the report of the Economy and Efficiency Commission, which has been working for sixteen months on a program for reorganizing the departments and bureaus of the State government, is expected to be made public. The report, according to advance gossip, contains some startling recommendations.

The report was placed in the hands of Governor Brumbaugh today. Whether he will permit it to be made public, all after he has perused it, causing considerable discussion in Capitol Hill.

The general appropriation bill, together with the special appropriation measures, will provide for a total of less than \$71,000,000, according to Chairman Buckman and Woodward, of the appropriations committees of the Senate and House, respectively. Two years ago a total of \$67,500,000 was appropriated.

The revenue-raising bills, which will be introduced late next week at the earliest, include the following:

A tax of 2 per cent on the value of coal and coke prepared for sale.

A tax of 2 per cent on the value of oil and natural gas at the well.

A tax of one mill on all stock of manufacturing concerns.

A tax of 2 per cent on direct inheritance.

A tax of one mill on real estate.

A tax upon the sale of tickets for all theatrical performances.

These measures, all told, would increase the annual revenue of the State by between \$12,000,000 and \$15,000,000. All of them, however, are not expected to be passed. As chairmen of the appropriations committees explained today, they are being offered simply for a "scramble" and the State will have to take whatever additional revenues it can through whatever bills are finally passed. The bill taxing manufacturers one mill, for example, has little chance of being passed.

TORN FROM GIRL "WIFE," BOY GRIEVES TO DEATH

Phillipsburg, N. J., Lad, Who Eloped Here, Couldn't Bear Separation

The breaking off of a boy and girl love affair has caused the death of a Howell Warner, fourteen years old, of Phillipsburg, N. J. He died of a broken heart, according to friends, less than twenty-four hours after he and his fifteen-year-old sweetheart, Pearl Wismer, a high school girl, had been brought back from an elopement to Philadelphia.

Of an idealistic temperament, the boy several months ago became attached to Pearl Wismer, the prettiest girl in the Phillipsburg High School. The village watched the attachment grow with interest and amusement.

"A-boy-and-girl affair," sniffed prying village spinsters. "They will soon get over it," commented the parents of the children. It soon became an everyday sight, the boy and girl walking to school hand in hand, Howell carrying Pearl's books. Other young folks smiled and were pleased, for love and youth and springtime "aveal along naturally together.

Then one day, about a week ago, the pair did not appear at school. It quickly became common knowledge about town that Howell and Pearl had eloped. The description of the pair was published in the newspapers and detectives at last found the children at 1066 Vine street, where it was ascertained that they had been living as brother and sister. Warner had brought the girl to this city with the intention of marrying her, but they found that because of their youthful appearance it would be impossible for them to obtain a marriage license. So Warner resolutely decided to support the girl in some way until they could be married.

He obtained a job in a meat market while Pearl started housekeeping in their room, making a pathetic attempt to prepare meals and do other household work. Then detectives broke rudely in on the little romance of tender youth and took them away to the House of Detention, where they remained until their parents came for them. It was said by friends of the Warner boy today that he was thoroughly broken down in health and spirit because of the breaking off of his love affair, and that he pined away after being separated from the Wismer girl.

Test Case Under New Liquor Law
GROUPTOWN, Del., March 28.—A test case of the anti-liquor shipping law will be made over the arrest of Martin Ingram, who arrived in Grouptown from a railroad excursion to Philadelphia with two quarts of liquor. According to law but one quart can be brought into Sussex County. The test provides such severe penalties as the law provides at any automobile containing



BRITISH "WAR BRIDE"

This miniature bride, dressed by Miss Daisy Bancroft, of 1340 South Fifty-first street, will be given in marriage daily at the British Relief Bazaar, Horticultural Hall, beginning today. She is dressed in white satin, trimmed with duchess lace. Her court train falls from the shoulders. Over that is a real lace veil, carried with orange blossoms. She carries a shower bouquet of small Bride roses and lilies of the valley.

SUPREME COURT DECISION FAVORABLE TO DETECTIVE

Dismissal of Atlantic City Man Is Set Aside by the Higher Tribunal

TRENTON, March 28.—The dismissal of Charles N. Apple, a detective, from the Atlantic City police force was set aside by the Supreme Court on the ground that he had been tried and convicted by the City Commission, as a body, instead of by the Director of Public Safety, in whom the power to try members of the police force is vested under an act of 1915. Apple was charged with embezzlement during hours of duty, the allegation being that this constituted conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman.

Damages of \$7000, recovered by Giovanni Novito against the Belmont Iron Works, were sustained in another decision by the Supreme Court. Novito, a section hand, employed by the Atlantic City Railroad Company, was injured while engaged in repair work in Camden. The injury was caused by the falling of some faulty construction of a structural steel building, which the defendant corporation was erecting in the yard of the Camden Forge Company, adjacent to a switch of the railroad. Novito's injuries were permanent and of so serious a character that the Court did not regard the damages as excessive.

Insists Penrose Is Governor of State
CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., March 28.—Five men applied for naturalization here—two Austrians, a Russian and a German and a Turk. The Russian was able to get through, but all the others failed. The Turk insisted that Penrose is the Governor of the State. The German, a musician of talent, failed on a technicality.

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WILL HOLD BAZAAR TO AID WAR ORPHANS

British Societies to Have Co-operation of Prominent Society Women of Philadelphia

WILL CLOSE SATURDAY

Concert to Be Given Tomorrow Night in Horticultural Hall—Mayor Smith One of Speakers

Combined British societies of this city and the vicinity will open their bazaar in aid of dependents of British soldiers who have died in the war at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in Horticultural Hall. Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, will be unable to be present at the opening, but he will be represented at the ceremonies by Thomas H. Hober, counselor to the British embassy at Washington.

Mr. Hober and Mayor Smith will be the only speakers at the opening. Troop 41, Boy Scouts, of Germantown, commanded by Scoutmaster Edward C. Morgan, with a band of Highland pipers, will be on duty at the hall when the speakers arrive. The twenty-five boys in the troop will act as guides and ushers at the opening.

There will be a concert at Horticultural Hall tomorrow night, the proceeds of which will go to swell the bazaar fund. An active part is being taken in the fair by women socially prominent in the city, the women's division of the general committee being headed by Mrs. Cornelius Strickman. Alva B. Johnson heads the men's division.

The bazaar will be held daily until Saturday, which will be the closing day. It will be open at noon and close at 11 p. m. each day after the formal opening. Proceeds of the affair will be devoted to the British National Relief Fund, known as the "Prince of Wales's Fund"; St. Dunstan's Hostel for the Blind and the British Red Cross Society. Among the interesting articles on sale will be several original manuscripts of Robert Burns.

Societies represented are:
Overseas Club of Philadelphia, Society of the Sons of St. George, St. Andrew's Society of Philadelphia, British Society of the University of Pennsylvania, Canadian Society of Philadelphia, Germantown British American Association, Antislavery Society of Philadelphia, Scottish Relief Association, Order of British Clans, Calcutta Club, Welsh Society of Philadelphia, Alibi Society of Philadelphia, Tammany Club, Sons of St. George, Independent Order of Oddfellows (Manchester Unity), Daughters of Scotia, Ladies Auxiliary of the Calcutta Club, Executive of St. George, Daughters of St. George (Independent Order), Imperial Order, Detachments of the British Empire, Compost Club, Queen Mary's Needlework Guild.

Each of these societies is represented by a committee. Among those serving upon the various committees are Mrs. Sidney W. Keith, Mrs. Alexander Van Rensselaer, Mrs. John Cadwalader, Miss Helen Cadwalader, Mrs. Saunders Lewis, Jr., Mrs. Richard McCullough, Mrs. Charles E. Ingersoll, Mrs. Horace Binney Hare, Mrs. Joseph M. Gassman, Miss Esther Hare, Mrs. James Potter, Miss Elizabeth Hayes, Miss Rebecca Elliott, Mrs. Lawrence Johnson, Jr., Mrs. Truxton Hare, Mrs. Robert Lesley, Mrs. George Walling, Mrs. George Thayer and Mrs. Paul Denckla Mills.

ROBBED BY AUTO BANDITS

Party of Three Held Up and Relieved of Valuables

PITTSBURGH, March 28.—Henry Jamison, Charles King and the latter's wife, while riding in a motor car on the Three Decker road, near Valencia, were held up on a bad curve and robbed of \$100 and several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry by two masked bandits.

After the robbers had stripped their victims of all money and valuables, the latter were forced back into their automobile and told to drive on.

War Officer Offers Services
CHESTER, Pa., March 28.—Among prominent men here who are volunteering is Captain William G. Handle, a retired naval officer. He commanded the steamship St. Louis as a transport and for a time cut cables. Captain Handle had several close escapes when the St. Louis was bombarded by Spanish forts.

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