BILL WOULD MAKE ALL STATE "WET"

Powell Will Offer Amendment to Force Granting of Licenses

DEALERS BACK MEASURE

Proposes to Limit Number of Places According to Population of Communities

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, April 30.

A bill that would perpetuate very retail liquor license now in force in the State and that would compel the courts in "dry" counties to grant a certain number of licenses was brought here today by Representative Richard Powell, of Luzerne, who will introduce it in the House tonight. Powell says many men identified with the wholesale and retail liquor business are behind the measure.

"The bill if passed will end the granting of additional licenses in municipalities now well supplied with saloons. Also it will take from the court the yearly work of hearing all applicants for old places," Powell says.

Under the proposed measure, which is an amendment to the Brooks license law, the number of licenses in cities of the first class would be limited to one for each 1000 of population; in cities of the second class, one for each 750 of population; in cities of the third class and in boroughs and townships, one for each 500. This provision, however, does not affect the present license holders. It deals entirely with future applications for new houses.

If the Powell bill goes through, licensed dealers in January would simply go to the office of the treasurer of their respective counties and renew their licenses.

CLOSES THE DOOR

"No license shall be granted to applicants until the number of existing licenses shall be reduced to a number less than herein provided," a section of the bill reads. This virtually closes the door to new saloons in cities and towns now in the "wet" column.

It is provided that when there are fewer saloons than the number that would be permitted under the Powell bill, the court shall grant applications. The liquor men see in this a return of many "dry" localities to the "wet" contingent. It will be noted that the granting of the licenses in such communities is not left to the discretion of the court. It says that the court "shall" approve the applications.

Representative Powell says the bill's object is the reduction of the number of licensed places in Pennsylvania. He says conditions in the coal counties, Luzerne, Lackawanna and Schuylkill, are such that a change has been demanded. Powell has figures to show that in Schuylkill, there is a license for each 174 of population; in Luzerne, one for each 224, and in Lackawanna, one for every 328.

A HOUSE CLEANING

If the Powell bill should become a law, it would mean a weeding out of many drinking places, particularly brewery-controlled houses that long since ceased to be paying propositions, but which the breweries must carry along from year to year. It would be the first actual step in the liquor interests' campaign to clean house.

Appearance of the Powell bill at this time, coming as it does in the wake of the decision of the brewery interests of Luzerne and other northeastern counties to boost the price of beer $1 a barrel and demand cash when the beer is delivered in the cellar, is regarded as significant.

City News in Brief

"SNOW WHITE," a cantata, will be given by the public school teachers of district No. 7, of this city, in Lu Lu Temple tomorrow night. The proceeds of the performance will go to the American Red Cross. The principals of the performance are Misses Florence Hubbert and Marie Bechtel and Hugh McClelland and Frank Forderer. Miss Naomi Moffat is in charge.

CITY APPOINTMENTS today include Lester E. Voss, 2921 Poplar street, inspector, Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, salary, $1500; John McCabe, 5965 McCallum street, smoke inspector, Bureau of Boiler Inspection, $1200, and Albert A. Camp, 5123 Wakefield street, instrument installer, Electrical Bureau, $900.

SHOCKED TO DEATH while pulling a switch on the top of a line pole, Joseph V. Kenny, of 6413 North Lambert street, a lineman for the Reading Railway, fell to the ground at B and Somerset streets. He was dead when picked up.

CLEAN STREET ENTHUSIASTS have changed the date of the town meeting in the interest of clean highways, scheduled for next Thursday in the Metropolitan Opera House, on account of the visit of the French war envoys. The meeting will be held Wednesday night instead. The principal speaker will be William Edwards, former Street Commissioner of New York city.

WAR JOBS in the United States Civil Service are open. There is a big demand for men. Announcement has been made of a competitive examination for chief inspector of fuses at the Frankford Arsenal. The salary is $3000 a year. Owing to the great demand for men the age limit has been advanced for many positions from fifty to sixty years.

TETANUS CAUSED THE DEATH of James Murphy, seven years old, of 224 Main street, who fell from a swing last week and sustained slight injuries of the head.

THROWING A BRICK at Joseph Mickalski, of 1737 Dounton street, Mrs. Frances Linsky, of 4440 Greene street, hit the mark and fractured his skull. Mickalski is in St. Luke's Homeopathic Hospital. Mrs. Linsky was arrested by Policeman Prendergast. She said the man had "talked about her."

SMOKING OF CIGARETTES in bed is supposed to have caused the lodging house fire at 263 North Sixth street early yesterday morning that caused the death of John O'Connor, forty years old, and the injury of Frank Casey, John Diamond and Peter Downey. Downey is a fireman of Engine Company No. 17. Others were lodgers.

FOUND HANGING in a vacant building at Avalon, George V. D. Scott, thirty-two years old, 3039 West Dauphin street, committed suicide. He is thought to have become despondent owing to ill health.

GIRL SCOUTS are having a three-day [illegible] in the Hale Building starting today to raise funds for a summer camp. Among the young women who are boosting the [illegible] are Miss C. Eleanor Pepper, Miss [illegible]ette H. Brown, Miss Jean Thompson, [illegible] Gretchen Clay, Miss Mary Alice Clay, [illegible] Francis Lewis, 3d, Miss Alva Sergeant, [illegible] Mary D. Thayer, Miss Sarah Neilson, [illegible] Dorothy E. Newbold, Miss Sarah [illegible] Miss Cecile Howell, Miss Anna [illegible] Miss Emily Williams and J. [illegible]

[illegible] OF PROMISE was alleged in [illegible] today by Justina Kovacz, [illegible] years old, against Stephen [illegible] Hanke allowed a capias [illegible] Hanke and fixed bail at [illegible]

[illegible] him by his [illegible] yesterday of [illegible] 808 North [illegible]

BIG CIRCUS PARADE, JOY OF THE KIDS, MOVES DOWN BROAD STREET

Long before Barnum & Bailey's pageant left the circus lot, at Hunting Park avenue and Nineteenth street, this morning, the curbs were lined with eager children and their patient dads and mothers.

HEY, SKIN-NAY! Y' GOT TWO BITS? CIRCUS'S HERE! 'N' FUNNIER 'N FITS

Make Dad Put on His Sunday Suit and Sister Primp Until She Looks Cute—It's Time for Jollity and Mirth, for Here's the Greatest Show on Earth

Come all you kids with two bits or more. The circus is come to town. Jes' come 'n sit as you did before 'n laugh at the funny ole clown. Jes' make Pop put on his Sunday suit 'n sister primp 'til you'd call her cute. Let's hope that the day is a sunlit beaut. The circus is come to town.

Come on, you kids, 'n scrub yer necks. The circus is come to town. And barrin' floods and barrin' wrecks, we'll laugh at the funny old clown. When if yer collar is clean 'n stiff 'n tickles whenever y'move to sniff, you'll hear the great big guns go "Biff!" The circus is come to town.

Fergit what happened this time a year when the circus come to town. 'Twas Pop that carried hisself so queer 'n laughed at the funny ole clown. And Ma got mad as she cud be 'n says to Pop, "I plainly see you've smelled a diffrunt kind o' tea since the circus come to town."

And Pop did nothin' at all but laugh when that circus was in town. He tried to shake hands with the big giraffe 'n joke with the funny ole clown. And Ma near pulled our arms away. "Come on," she says, "yer Pop's quite gay. But by and by there'll come a day when the circus ain't in town."

We all was up at yestidday dawn. The circus was coming to town. But when the train had come 'n gone we missed the funny ole clown. I guess they don't dare to show him much, his voice is so strange and his antics such that folks laugh out and their work won't touch when the circus comes to town.

Beside the road stood an old, old man when the circus come to town. As apast him all the people ran, he didn't look fer the clown. But said softlike as he watched our play, "Over the seas and far away kiddies are cryin' 'n hungry today 'n the circus is never in town.

You know the dime that I made last week, with the circus comin' to town, I was agoin' to see a side-show freak, which is nearly so good as a clown. But, Skinnay, I gave that worn ole dime fer kids that is hungry all the time, fer kids that'll never hear the rhyme, "The circus is come to town."

PAGEANT WILL SHOW PROGRESS OF THE JEWS

300 Young Men and Women Present Historic Portrayal at Academy Tomorrow

The historic pageant to be given tomorrow night at the Academy of Music by 300 young men and women will be a spectacular portrayal of the history of the Jewish people through medieval times down to the present day, terminating with a patriotic demonstration of the part the American Jew has played in the life and advancement of the nation. The proceeds are to be devoted to the benefi of the sufferers of the war.

The specially prepared music will be rendered by forty-five members of the Philadelphia Orchestra under the direction of Russell King Miller, with the assistance of seventy voices, including a cantor and boy choir. Elaborate costuming and rich color effects have been prepared with an eye to the beautiful. Frank Buchanan is in charge of the stage directions.

The pageant will present in a kaleidoscopic series of swift-moving tableau and expressive pantomime the story of the golden era of the Jews in Spain; the part taken by Jewish scientists and scholars of Spain and Portugal in the geographical and astronomical deduction of Christopher Columbus; the help the Jews afforded Columbus in fitting out the caravels for his proposed voyage; the final discovery of America, together with the exactions and horrors of the Spanish Inquisition, and leading up, through a series of other historical events, to the landing of the first Jewish pilgrims on American soil in the year 1655.

A committee of women has been working for months to make the undertaking a success. Seats will be on sale at Heppe's, 1117 Chestnut street, today and tomorrow.

India Raises One-tenth of War Loan

LONDON, April 30.—A Simla dispatch says that subscriptions to India's special war loan exceed £10,000,000 ($50,000,000).

The British Government has arranged the issue of a war loan of unlimited amount in India, to be raised during 1917 and 1918. Bonar Law later has stated that the amount expected to be raised was £100,000,000.

ISLAND ROAD CALLED MENACE BY RESIDENTS

High Rails, Speeding Trolleys and Poor Highway Criticized in Letter

Highway conditions on Island road are a menace to life, it is asserted in a circular letter prepared by Fortieth Ward residents and sent to all Councilmen and all improvement associations in the city. The fact that Rapid Transit Company rails on the thoroughfare are high, like steam railroad tracks, makes the part of the roadway available for other traffic too narrow for safety, it is contended.

It is dangerous for vehicles to pass each other when trolley cars are in motion, it is asserted. Because of the poor condition of the roadway, fire engines have had to be towed on Island road, the letter adds. Another charge is that street cars often make the full distance from Elmwood avenue to Eastwick avenue at full speed without a stop, causing fatal accidents.

The Island Road and Clearview Improvement Association, which prepared the letter, says that an ordinance to abate the conditions introduced two months ago has been neglected by Councils. An appeal to the State Public Service Commission has been made.

28 RACE HORSES LOST IN NEW BELMONT FIRE

Incendiaries Hunted After Second Blaze at Track—First Cost $450,000

NEW YORK, April 30.

Fire Commissioner Adamson's force is busy today in a thorough investigation of the $100,000 fire that destroyed the stable of Schuyler Parsons and H. K. Knapp at Belmont race track early today and burned to death twenty-eight race horses, many of them familiar entries on courses throughout the United States.

Incendiarism is suspected, as it is the second costly visitation of fire at Belmont within a month. Fires on April 7 were discovered at six different points which caused a loss of $450,000.

LONG CRIMINAL DOCKET IN WEST CHESTER COURT

WEST CHESTER, Pa., April 30.—Criminal Court opened here today with about seventy cases on the list, including many for larceny and burglary.

Many desertion and board-skipping cases will occupy the court and there is one murder case, "Pie William" Johnson, of Coatesville, a former ward worker, who is at liberty on bonds of $15,000, will be tried for the killing of Belle Hill, a negro girl. He fled and was captured. The girl was shot on the street and Johnson was seen running from the spot, carrying a revolver.

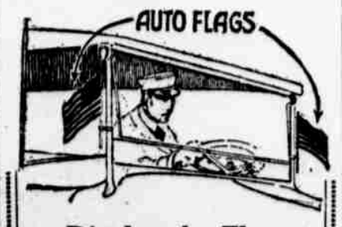
The case of Jonathan Hare, member of a leading Quaker family, will soon come up for trial. He is accused of embezzlement by an insurance company, but it is said it is a case of confused accounts.

If you realize the importance of a good appearance, you'll appreciate the Character of our Clothes.

WHILE one should not judge a man by his clothes, at the same time personal appearance is a big factor either for or against success—only millionaires can afford to dress poorly.

Ready-for-Service Suits for Men in seasonable weights and fabrics—$15 and upward.

JACOB REED'S SONS
1424-1426 CHESTNUT STREET



Display the Flag On Your Car

The Auto Flag can be attached to any car in two minutes, and requires no wires or strings.

One Flag is clamped to each side of the wind-shield, with brackets, and can be taken down in case of storm.

Each Auto Flag set consists of two 14-inch Flags, with the necessary brackets, for One Dollar ($1.00) by mail.

Brackets without Flags, 75c per set.

Special Prices to Dealers and Agents

How Is the Flag Attached to Your Car?

Egner & Peacock
438 Walnut St., Phila.
Tel. Lombard 4824

If the printed page ever looks this way—

dances in this manner or jumps like this
shoots up hill, then down again
or gets all mixed up with itself

when you try to read after smoking a heavy black cigar, then switch to Girards!

The sensible thing for every man to do—switch to Girards.

All the difference in the world. Clear head instead of dizzy head, keen wits instead of dull wits, steady hand instead of shaky hand, sound digestion instead of indigestion, a strong heart stroke instead of a jumpy flutter.

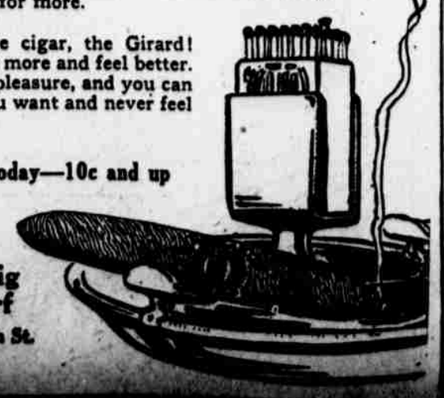
The Girard Cigar
Never gets on your nerves

Never back-fires on your health or your efficiency—no!

Rich aroma — full flavor — real Havana — Girard brings 'em all. All the satisfaction and all the pleasure of smoking! But never a come-back except the come-back for more.

A remarkable cigar, the Girard! You can smoke more and feel better. Every puff's a pleasure, and you can puff-puff all you want and never feel a flicker.

Try a Girard today—10c and up



Antonio Roig & Langsdorf
315-21 N. Seventh St.
Established 1871

"More Prolific and More Efficient"

This is President Wilson's appeal to the industries of the country and to every American man, woman and child

The greatest service you can perform for your government is to keep on doing just what you did before war was declared—multiplied by two.

Do twice as much work twice as well. Go quietly about your affairs and pursue your inclinations in full confidence. If you are needed for anything else you will be called. But in the meantime you will serve best by living just as you did a month ago—working harder, but pursuing all legitimate means of recreation and enjoyment.

Howard E. Coffin, member of the advisory commission of the Council of National Defense, put his finger upon the country's greatest need when he said: "Until the call comes it is best to stick to the job. Let us make 'Better Business' our watchword and keep our factory fires burning. We must have successful industries if successful tax levies are to be received."

The Great Lester Factories Are Running Full Time

For months we have been advertising for additional help to take care of our rapidly increasing business. We want more men and women. The skilled craftsmen in the mammoth Lester factories are doing their utmost to obey the President's injunction—"more prolific and efficient." But they need assistance.

No more useful occupation can be found. Our people need music. They demand it. They cannot get along without it. Can you imagine what sort of a country this would be without music? It is the main spring of patriotism. Have you been in a theatre recently when the orchestra struck up "The Star Spangled Banner"?

In the army, on the ships of our navy, in the home, music is the power that enables us to endure hardships, that inspires us to greater effort and grander accomplishments.

This is our contribution to the necessities of the present. The famous Lester Grand, Upright and Player-Pianos were never better made than now, were never more fully appreciated than now, never sold faster than they are now selling.

All of which is proof that the people of this community today are to be trusted implicitly to uphold with honor the traditions of which this city is so justly proud.

Compare any style Lester Piano — Grand, Upright or Player-Piano—with all the leading makes and you will see that it is far superior to the others in every point. And yet, with all its great superiority, it is as easy to own a Lester as one of the many inferior makes, because it is sold direct on easy, confidential terms. No jobbers' or agents' profits for you to pay. Let us show you how conveniently you can own a Lester.

Geo. Miller

F. A. NORTH CO.
1306 Chestnut Street
Philadelphia