

ALL AGAINST DOPE  
WAITS UPON GANS

State House Health Committee Chairman Assumes Arrogant Attitude

DEPENDENT ON WEATHER

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, May 8.—Chairman Sigmund J. Gans, of the House Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, today announced that he is in favor of the thirty-eighth bill, Philadelphia, has taken into himself the sole power of legislation that would curtail or restrict the narcotic drug traffic.

Chairman Gans gave out an interview, in which he announced that there would be a meeting of the House Public Health and Sanitation Committee after an adjournment of the Legislature, and in which he also explained his independence of popular sentiment and "fair play" on legislative matters, in the following terms:

"The dope bill is bothering everybody in the Legislature except me."

"You can be sure that there will be an entirely new bill reported out of committee, if any."

"Whether the new bill is reported out or not depends upon the weather. If it is fair, it may be reported out. If it is raining, it will not be reported out."

"In those three sentences Gans outlined the entire program to which he is apparently committed this session, so far as any attempt at enacting anti-narcotic legislation is concerned."

Gans, who for the last two weeks has declined to call a meeting of the House Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, apparently for fear that the numerous advocates of a stringent anti-dope law would force action, today announced that his committee will meet at about 2 o'clock this afternoon.

"Why wasn't a meeting of the committee called during the last two weeks?" he was asked.

"Because I have not been bothering with it. Everybody in the Legislature seems to be bothering about this bill, except myself."

"An agreement to combine the Vane and Whitaker bills was announced," he was reminded.

"Will the committee report such a bill out of committee?"

"An entirely new bill has been drafted," Gans frankly confessed.

"It is not a combination of the Vane and the Whitaker bills, or of any two anti-dope bills now before the Legislature. It will be an entirely new bill when it comes out of committee."

"When will this be—this afternoon?"

"I can't say, of course, it is all in my hands, but I am not worrying at all. It all depends upon the weather. If the weather is fair, the new bill will be reported out. If it is raining, the new bill will be kept in committee."

"One of the most powerful and one of the most wealthy of the lobbies in Harrisburg is that maintained by the druggists of the State. They introduced their own bill, sponsored by Representative Theodore Campbell, of Philadelphia, and then reported out of the subcommittee of the House Public Health and Sanitation Committee a so-called 'compromise' Vane-Campbell bill. Campbell reported the measure out, and stood sponsor for it. The 'compromise' bill has promptly recommended."

The whole situation involving the anti-narcotic bills was involved enough during the last two weeks, but Senator Edwin H. Vane today added complication, in spite of the ill omen into which the druggists' lobby has gotten itself.

Senator Vane admitted that he was a party to the so-called Vane-Campbell bill which would have given to druggists the right to prescribe for narcotic drug habits. He explained, however, that he agreed to having the bill reported out, but explained that it was for the reason that he wanted to kill the Campbell bill.

"I agreed to the Vane-Campbell bill that was reported out," he said, "because I wanted to kill Campbell's bill."

The whole anti-dope law situation is at loggerheads. It looks as though the Public Health and Sanitation Committee of the House must be discharged before the law can be enacted, and it also looks as though Senator Vane is the latest stumbling block.

HEARINGS ON TRANSIT  
SET FOR NEXT WEEK

Four Bills, Deferred From Consideration Today, Will Be Discussed Tuesday

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, May 8.—The public hearing on the four Philadelphia transit bills now pending in the Legislature will be held here next Tuesday afternoon, Senator Charles H. Kline, of Allegheny, chairman of the Senate Judiciary General Committee, announced today.

The hearing originally was scheduled for today, but a postponement was asked by Mayor Smith on account of the visit of the French envoys to Philadelphia. The Mayor asked that the committee hold the hearing in Philadelphia instead of at Harrisburg, but the members opposed this.

The United Business Men's Association of Philadelphia, which is supporting the bills, is planning to bring a large delegation here to urge the Legislature to give the city the necessary power to deal with the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company in the lease negotiations.

Up to the present time the transit company has had the advantage in the negotiations. The passage of the four pending measures, however, will place the city in the position to make a better bargain with the company. The bills were recommended by Transit Director Twining, approved by Mayor Smith and drafted by William Draper Lewis, of the University Law School, at the personal request of the Mayor.

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GANS TO THE RESCUE  
OF PAYROLL MARTYRS

Wants to Add \$1000 to Registration Salaries and to Create New Jobs to Relieve Strain

In view of the high cost of living the Registration Commissioners ought to get \$1000 a year, according to Representative Sigmund J. Gans. To prove that he is sincere Mr. Gans introduced a bill to this effect. It provides for an increase of \$1000 in salary for the Registration Boards in Philadelphia, Scranton and Pittsburgh. Those in this city now receive \$2000.

When one thinks of the arduous duties of the commissioners this is hardly enough. Often they are compelled to work six and seven hours a day and when other office-holders are golfing, fishing and pinching out on private yachts on weary Saturdays the unfortunate Reg. Coms. are obliged to work a half day.

With the increase in the cost of fishing tackle, tennis racquets, golf sticks and rolling chairs at Atlantic City, many believe that the raise is warranted.

Mr. Gans, who is rather liberal in his views, also seeks to create a number of new jobs. There are to be stenographers, custodians, assistant custodians, a platoon of clerks at \$5 a day (seems a law that all clerks must get five a day) and, of course, counsel at \$2500. The normal counsel cannot think of anything less.

And as to clerks it has been learned that the County Commissioners have been paying for clerical help out of their own appropriation.

Such is the martyrdom of office.

Elkton Marriage Licenses

ELKTON, Md., May 8.—The following marriage licenses were issued here this morning: John O'Malley and Marie Dougherty, Edward L. Algier and Mary Fisher, Homer E. Bartolo and Adeline Pozzose, Frank F. Rebstock and Madeline McNally, all of Philadelphia; Frank J. Dullen and Sadie Taylor, Wilmington; Emory Koehel and Ethel Pike, Edlystone; James E. Stark and Ethel Bleakley, Chester, and John T. Hennessey and Ella Walton, Wilmington.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

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RISK FRAUD TESTIMONY  
HEARD BY GRAND JURY

O'Neil and Attorney General Accuse Pittsburgh Life and Trust Officers

PITTSBURGH, May 8.—State Insurance Commissioner O'Neil and Harry H. Rowand, attorney representing the Attorney General, went into the Grand Jury room just before noon and presented their case against C. A. Willis, J. S. Grant, George A. Nichol and others in the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company case, so that indictments might be returned today, which Mr. O'Neil said would be done. Requisition papers will then be sent to Harrisburg and thence to Albany so that the accused men can be brought here for trial.

Mr. O'Neil said he had just received a message from Mr. McLaughlin, Deputy State Commissioner, at the State Capitol, saying he was leaving for New York to take up with several large insurance companies there the matter of taking over the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company.

"In the meantime," said O'Neil, "Deputy Attorney General Davis will assist District Attorney Swann, in New York, in the criminal end of this thing, and Attorney Rowand will do the same here. Not one guilty man will escape for his complicity in this deal with the people's money, no matter what his standing has been in the community."

Alderman Kirby had not heard from Constable Murray Edlis, who is in New York with the warrants, up to noon.

"BONE DRY" MEASURE  
NEGATIVELY REPORTED

House Committee Rejects Bill With Scant Ceremony—Against Birth Control Propaganda

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, May 8.—The Law and Order Committee of the House this afternoon reported out with a negative recommendation the Mitchell bill placing Pennsylvania in the "bone dry" column during the war with Germany.

The action was taken in the "wet" committee after little debate. The committee also reported, but with a favorable recommendation, the Stern bill prohibiting the agitation of birth control, under penalty of \$1000. The George bill, making the laws governing the carrying of firearms more stringent, did not come out of committee. It will be considered next week.

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THREE NEGROES HELD  
AS MURDER SUSPECTS

One Rearrested on New Evidence Obtained in Inquiry Into Killing of Haddonfield Pastor

Three arrests were made today by the Camden police in their investigation of the murder of the Rev. J. M. T. Childrey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Haddonfield, N. J., who was held up and shot by a negro footpad on City Line avenue, Collingswood, two weeks ago.

All three persons arrested were negroes: William Young, Front and Chestnut streets, and Gertrude and William Addison, 916 Mt. Vernon street. Young was rearrested today, he being the negro who apparently had furnished a good alibi when first arrested. He was positively identified by Harry Ace, the man who ran through his backyard, on Mulford street, half a mile from the scene of the shooting, about twenty minutes after the clergyman was killed. The other two, who were arrested early today by Camden County Detectives Doran, Levins and Grubben, were committed to jail without bail today by Justice of the Peace Schmitz. They are being held as material witnesses pending the investigation of Young's story.

Young's second arrest was ordered by County Prosecutor Kraft, whose detectives have kept a strict watch on the negro quarter of the city ever since the murder. Young is suspected of knowing something about the killing, and, although detectives would not speak of the connection, it is believed that Young's arrest followed statements by the woman and the other man that they "knew about that job."

NATION CALLS OUT 1000  
BOY AND GIRL FARMERS

School Children Will Work in Canneries in New Jersey and Maryland

A call for the first 1000 boys and girls of the Philadelphia public schools to work in canneries of New Jersey and Maryland was issued today by the Federal Department of Labor. The Philadelphia school mobilization committee is preparing lists of volunteers.

Although the canning season is not yet open, the Government is anxious to be able to assure the canners of enough labor to enable them to bid upon Government contracts, with confidence that the necessary labor will be forthcoming in time.

All boys and girls who work in the canneries will be under direct supervision of the corps of inspectors of the Federal Department of Labor, the various State and county safety committees, and the Philadelphia school mobilization committee. Living and sanitary conditions will be examined in detail.

The committee on community service of the mobilization committee is busily engaged in enrolling school teachers for the work of superintending the boys and girls who will work in the canneries. These teachers are wanted to act as chaperones and to keep a sharp eye upon conditions generally. Fully 6000 school pupils will be tested in the canneries.

Dr. Charles C. Hoyl, principal of the West Philadelphia High School, for boys, and E. Perry Hitter have made a preliminary survey of farms in the vicinity of Ivyland, N. J., at the request of farmers in that section who are going to ask for student farmers this summer.

Jeff Senior Pneumonia Victim

Louis C. Payne, twenty-five years old, a senior at the Jefferson Medical College and son of Dr. L. B. Payne, a prominent surgeon of Norfolk, Va., died early yesterday of pneumonia at the Jefferson College. Doctor Payne entered Jefferson Medical College four years ago and was to have graduated this June. He was a member of the Academy Society and other medical organizations. Interment will take place in the family plot at Norfolk.

Negroes Killed; Cops Held

Police arrested two negroes today in connection with a double shooting last night at 1214 Cambridge street, which was followed by a fire in the house. When the men broke in the house they found a negro woman dead from gunshot wounds and a negro seriously injured. The injured negro, Virge Offet, told the police that the woman, Ethel Smallwood, had visited him and that during her visit three negroes had shot him and the woman and then set fire to the house.

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