

**SENATORS CAUCUS
OVER STATE BILLS**

Leaders Meet to Decide
Which Measures Shall
Escape Smothering

FACTIONS IN CONFERENCE

By a Staff Correspondent
HARRISBURG, June 19.—The small coterie of State Senators that control the destinies of the sessions of Pennsylvania's General Assembly are meeting here today to decide which bills that are hanging fire in the Legislature will have their approval and finally pass before adjournment is taken sine die on June 23, and which measures will be buried in committee.

A caucus of the Senate leaders started early this morning and will continue until noon, it is expected. Every important measure now pending will be considered and disposed of by the "board of censorship."

The most important bill is the inheritance tax measure, which, it is estimated, would net the State between \$5,000,000 and \$25,000,000 annually.

BRUMBAUGH OPPOSES
Governor Brumbaugh has served notice on the Legislature that he will veto the bill as it now stands. It already is in his hands, and he has until Saturday to dispose of it.

The Penrose leaders held a conference on it in Washington over the last week-end, and decided to oppose every other revenue raiser unless the Governor signs this bill.

The Penrose Senate leaders, Senators Harold Crow, McNichol and Buckman, held a long conference with Senator Vane and Attorney General Francis Shunk Brown after midnight this morning, but no agreement regarding the inheritance tax measure was reached.

CAUSE OF DIFFERENCE
The conferees afterward said the absence of Auditor General Snyder from the city was their reason. Snyder will be here today, however.

The bill, as it passed the Legislature, gives to the Auditor General the power to appoint special attorneys in every one of the sixty-seven counties in the State to collect the tax. The Vane-Brumbaugh forces considered this too much in favor of the Penrose forces, and the Governor then made his announcement.

It is probable that a compromise will be reached. One was suggested at last night's conference, and is still under consideration. It would place the collecting power in the hands of either the regular tax officers of the counties or have the special attorneys appointed by the Auditor General and the various Registers of Wills.

**FINAL ACTION NEAR
ON TRANSIT BILLS**

Measures Will Come Up for
Final Passage Today and
Tomorrow

NEW AMENDMENTS MADE

By a Staff Correspondent
HARRISBURG, June 19.—The Philadelphia transit bills will come up for final passage in the Senate today and tomorrow. The Status bill, amended with the consent of Mayor Smith, passed second reading last night, and the two Hecht bills passed first reading and will be on third reading tomorrow.

The Status bill, which amends the transit laws to require through routing and a uniform rate of fare between municipally owned and operated high-speed lines and the surface lines of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, was amended upon motion of Senator Jones, of Lycoming County.

The Jones amendment restricts the law to Philadelphia County only. It would eliminate the possibility of through routing over the Woodland avenue elevated line, provided that line should be built to Darby, and would permit the P. R. T. to continue to charge an extra fare for all passengers carried on the Willow Grove, Doylestown and other suburban lines outside the county limits.

Senator Edwin H. Vane, who said he spoke for Mayor Thomas B. Smith, said that the amendment was made with the consent of the Mayor.

"The Jones amendment meets a peculiar condition in the Legislature," said Senator Vane. "Many up-State members would not vote for the bill because it might affect transit lines in their counties. It was at the suggestion of the Mayor that it was amended. It now affects Philadelphia only and there should be little opposition to it."

The Hecht bills were amended upon motion of Senator Owen B. Jenkins. All of these amendments, however, were to correct the typographical errors that have been too common this session.

Street Railway Saved From Sale
DULUTH, Minn., June 19.—An agreement has been reached between the City Commission and the Duluth Street Railway Company whereby the commission rescinds its resolution condemning for sale the property of the street car company. The committee's action followed settlement of differences over the building of new lines and increased fares. The stock of the railway company largely is owned in Toronto, Canada.

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**How City Is Doing Its Bit
in Nation's Red Cross Week**

Philadelphia's quota of \$100,000,000 fund \$3,000,000
Yesterday's pledges 455,000
Amount still needed 2,545,000
Days remaining Five
Daily average necessary 509,000

merely stated that the members of the committee would contribute this amount. The members are Mayor Smith, E. T. Stotesbury, T. DeWitt Cuyler, Samuel T. Bodine, Edingham B. Morris and W. W. Adair. Earlier in the day this committee had announced that twelve teams of men prominent in business and financial circles had been appointed to raise the money in this campaign. Each team has ten members, and these men were called together at a supper last night to receive instructions as to procedure.

Mr. Wanamaker appealed to the men as a part of their duty to their country to work hard and make the campaign a success. He said that the urgency of the need for contributions to war relief to be administered by the Red Cross admitted of no hesitation in giving.

"As to the Liberty Loan," he continued, "the truth is, we haven't given anything. We have good security for that investment. We will profit by it. This is the opportune time to give in reality!"

"The Red Cross is the only means by which we can do the greatest amount of good through the money that is contributed. And I am supremely confident that we should find the people of Philadelphia eager to recognize the great need, eager to give and that they will give without a moment's hesitation, till this \$3,000,000 is subscribed!"

**City Gives Million
to Red Cross in Day**

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such a fund by saying that it was needed to rehabilitate France.

"The drain that comes upon the French people," said General Pershing, "reduces their power to fight. Therefore, it is our first duty to help them rehabilitate themselves. We must help their widows and orphans. We must help put them in a position to produce."

A bulk of the \$100,000,000 will be devoted to the work of making the American troops "happy, healthy and more efficient." Commenting on this phase of the work, General Pershing said:

"The point I wish to make is that those things bring the soldier to remember that the people at home are behind him. You do not know how much that is going to mean to us who are going abroad. You do not know how much that means to any soldier who is over there carrying the flag of the country."

BIG CONTRIBUTIONS
How this appeal struck a responsive chord in the hearts of Philadelphians is reflected in the first reports from Camden. Employees and officers of the Victor Talking Machine Company contributed \$15,660. This includes a \$10,000 subscription from Edridge Johnson, president of the company. The Victor Talking Machine Company also contributed \$5000.

The New York Shipbuilding Company contributed \$5000 and the National State Bank \$1250. Contributions for \$1000 each came from the Campbell Soup Company and the Armstrong Cork Company. The following made \$500 contributions: David Baird Lumber Company, Allen Croft & Sons Company, Harry Humphries, F. A. Poth & Sons, F. Wayland Ayer, the team representing Collinswood.

At 1 o'clock the Philadelphia teams will meet at the Ritz-Carlton, and after a luncheon announce their totals.

The day was begun with \$455,000, or nearly one-sixth of Philadelphia's quota, already raised.

This pledge was announced by E. T.

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the tide of contributions continued to rise steadily today.

The money raised this week is to be used in equipping American troops in the field and then in helping to put a starving, war-stricken population of the territory swept by the Germans back on its feet. Already a commission sent by the Red Cross war council is in France preparing in care for American troops on their arrival and studying the needs of the war zone.

A hundred thousand Red Cross workers will be required for each 1,000,000 troops. It is estimated, and the military relief department is now gathering these people, dividing them into hospital units, nursing corps, ambulance sections, first aid squads and others.

Chairman Henry P. Davison, of the Red Cross war council, expressed gratification today at the hearty answer of the American people, less than a week after they had finished subscribing to the \$2,000,000,000 Liberty Loan.

**MEDICO-CHI TURNED OVER
TO RED CROSS FOR NAVY**

Accepted by H. P. Davison, Chairman of Emergency Committee, in Letter to Mayor Smith

WASHINGTON, June 19.—Mayor Smith, of Philadelphia, in behalf of the city formally has turned over the Medico-Chi Hospital for the first naval base to the Red Cross of America. It was accepted by Henry P. Davison, chairman of the war emergency committee of the Red Cross. The hospital will be taken over in its entirety, the same nurses and most of the visiting staff being continued. A director and assistant appointed by the secretary of the Navy is to be in charge.

In the future the building about to be torn down after the consolidation of the college with the University of Pennsylvania will be known as Red Cross Base Hospital No. 1, and to it the injured and sick will be taken from the Atlantic fleet. The hospital will be operated with but slight changes in the staff. It offers seventy-five beds and a complete hospital equipment.

In accepting it Mr. Davison wrote this letter to Mayor Smith today:

In behalf of the Red Cross Society of America, I wish to express to you our sincere appreciation of your kindness in

turning over to the American Red Cross the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital. We want you to know that we appreciate the spirit of co-operation on the part of the people of Philadelphia in taking this step.

With kindest regards,

"Red Cross dividends" amounting to \$1,032,500 declared by four corporations brought the total contributions to the \$100,000,000 war fund up to \$12,023,913, it was announced.

Included in this amount is \$55,000 received from the Rev. William A. Sunday, who divided between the Red Cross and the Y. M. C. A. the "free-will" offering of \$116,000 given to him at the close of an evangelistic campaign in New York.

The finance committee announced that Liberty Loan bonds will be accepted in lieu of cash as contributions to the fund.

The staff of the Medico-Chi Hospital was notified several days ago of the plan to turn

the institution over to the American Red Cross, but no intimation has yet been received there of its acceptance. The building will have to be renovated before it can be put to its new use, the night superintendent said. About seventy nurses are in training there now.

BRITISH SHIPPERS WARNED
Government Indicates It May Control Merchant Marine After War

LONDON, June 19.—The Ministry of Shipping has issued a warning to possible charterers of shipping after the war that they "can have no assurance that national requirements will permit such arrangements."

This warning is interpreted as indicating that the Government anticipates being obliged to continue to control shipping after the war.

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