

LEAGUE FORMED TO GUIDE LAWS

Independent Republicans at Harrisburg Organize Steering Committee

FOR GOOD LEGISLATION Claim Strength Enough to Defeat Bills Not Considered Meritorious

Harrisburg, Feb. 12.—Independent Republican members of the House have organized the legislative league, with representative Robert J. Wallace, of Lawrence County, as chairman and floor leader.

The object of the league is to guide the House on legislation for the rural districts and third-class cities. It will support fully the legislative program of Governor Sproul.

Representative Alan D. Miller, of Susquehanna County, has been elected secretary, and a steering committee has been selected to study all legislation in which the league is interested and bring out its merits or demerits on the floor.

This committee comprises Representative C. H. Kennedy, Beaver; E. M. Switzer, Clarion; John B. Goldenstein, Westmoreland; John W. Vickerman, Allegheny; J. M. McLaughlin, York; Daniel W. Hill, Northumberland; and Secretary Miller, Chairman Wallace, a member ex-officio of the steering committee.

The league, Chairman Wallace announces significantly, has made some alliances in the House and will have strength enough to defeat any measure which it does not consider meritorious. He claims further that it may have sufficient strength to pass some measures.

Any alliance, Chairman Wallace declares, will be made for the purpose of assisting meritorious legislation and to bring about a successful consummation of the Governor's legislative program. Attempts to "railroad" any bill will meet with determined opposition from the league.

Members of the new league count on a voting strength, including their alleged alliance, of from seventy-five to one hundred. Ordinarily this would be a majority in the House, where there are always several vacancies.

Virtually all of the members of the league are "drys," and some opposition is expected from the "wets." Chairman Wallace and Representative Vickerman, floor leader of the "drys," claim the league will be ready to meet all opposition. No efforts will be made to have the organization hostile as a whole to the liquor forces. Views on the liquor question will not influence the judgment of the steering committee in dealing with bills of "wets."

"Pro-Sprout and pro-good legislation" is the way Chairman Wallace describes the purpose of the new body. Members of the league do not hesitate to declare, however, that any hostility from the "wet" forces will meet with retaliatory measures from the league.

On the sort of alliances that the league makes in the House will largely depend the fate of the Philadelphia charter legislation, if the league has formed an alliance with the Vares forces the combined efforts of the two will be sufficient to defeat the charter bill in the House.

The Vares have begun to play for the support of the "drys," who form the big majority in the new league. Representative John H. K. Scott's fight to recommit the Dithrich Judson bill for a public hearing on Monday night is regarded as the first open move on the part of the Vares floor leader to win the support of "drys." Mr. Wallace and other potential figures in the "dry" camp.

Vickerman introduced the resolution to recommit the bill. The sponsor of the resolution knows that more than enough votes in the House were pledged to the bill to put it through, but sought the aid of Scott in supporting the resolution so as to arouse hostility of the Pittsburgh newspapers against the measure.

HOUSE COMMITTEES FIX HEARING DATES

Harrisburg, Feb. 12.—The Judiciary Special Committee of the House in charge of the McOdy bill, lowering licenses for sale of oleomargarine, fixed February 18 as the date for its hearing.

Arrangements were also made for hearings on the bills to permit entertainments of an educational nature, concerts, etc., on Saturdays.

The Military Affairs Committee is arranging for hearings on military training bills later in the month.

Speaker Harbo, of York, regulating conveyance of corporation property without the consent of a majority in value of the stockholders.

Several bills providing for clarification of clauses of the rough and ready ship codes were introduced by Mr. Powell, Luzerne, who also sponsored a bill providing for publication of newspapers of record in borough, township and school district auditors.

Provision for financial statements to be filed with the Bureau of Statistics by all corporations is made in a bill from Mr. McIntyre, Fayette. They now file statements on production and accidents.

Mr. Pike, Montgomery, introduced a bill to repeal the Montgomery County tax law of 1858 and the supplement of 1871.

Thirty-three bills were reported out, most of them being passed for the first time.

SPOUL MAKES NOMINATIONS Senate Confirms All Except That of Fisheries Commissioner

Harrisburg, Feb. 12.—Governor William C. Sproul sent the following nominations to the Senate for confirmation: Public Service Commissioners—Sidney Ray Shalby, of Uniontown, term to expire July 1, 1928; Harold M. McClure, of Lewisburg, term to expire July 1, 1921; and Samuel M. Clement, Jr., of Philadelphia, term to expire July 1, 1921.

Commissioner of Fisheries—Nathan R. Butler, of Pleasant Mount, Wayne County.

Adjutant General—Frank D. Beary, of Allentown.

Prison Inspector for the Eastern Penitentiary, Philadelphia—E. L. Laddery, of Philadelphia.

BRITISH LABOR SITUATION ACUTE

Lloyd George's Program Fails to Allay Industrial Unrest

OFFERS ARE IN VAIN Miners' Federation Rejects Proposal in Reply to Demands



ROBERT J. HANNA

He is a chief boilermaker in the United States navy and just returned from abroad to his home, 2821 East Stener street, Philadelphia.

He is engaged in repairing ships that had been torpedoed. Before sailing for France he was a zealous worker for the Liberty Loan and war charities.

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TAX BILL TO PASS IN SENATE TODAY

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SIGNAL VOTE EXPECTED

By the Associated Press Washington, Feb. 12.—More than six months in the making, the great war revenue bill, levying six billion dollars in taxes this year and four billion dollars annually thereafter, today neared final congressional action.

Democratic and Republican leaders expressed the belief when the Senate convened today, that the conference report on the measure would be adopted before adjournment, and the bill would be sent to the White House to wait President Wilson's return from abroad.

Though several Senators intended to speak today in opposition to certain sections of the conference report, leaders predicted that the bill would be approved by an overwhelming vote. Chairman Simmons, of the Senate manager, said a night session probably would be convened if necessary to complete action on the measure.

Senator Simmons' report on the bill, which was adopted by the House of Representatives Saturday, was called up in the Senate yesterday by Senator Simmons, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee. Senator Simmons urged the immediate passage of the measure, and explained that \$800,000,000 of new revenue, which he hoped to raise in revenue through the bill already has been expended by the Federal Government.

Senator Penrose, ranking Republican member of the Finance Committee and one of the Senate conferees, today will urge the passage of the bill as the best measure that could be drafted under present conditions, although he will voice the opposition of the Republicans to many of its provisions.

trades whose products form a staple of other occupations, think also of the consequences upon the general trade situation. The government proposed a strong representative committee, in which the miners would be represented, to inquire into this question and also into the cost of production and distribution of coal.

In regard to the demand for increased wages, the government said it was willing to add a shilling a day to the present war bonus, which is equal to the rise in prices since January, 1918, and to refer other demands in connection with wages to the representatives' committee. The government asked the miners to regard the reply as a clear indication of its intention to meet them in every possible way.

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GALSWORTHY PRAISES U. S.

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WEST VA. CONSERVES GAS Bill Giving Priority to State Consumers Passes Legislature

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The measure was passed by the House of Delegates several days ago, and it is now ready for the Governor's signature.

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