

MAX LINE BEATS "CHOW" RUSHING

Buck Private from "Over There" Finds Jam Here Too Strenuous

GROWD REVENUE OFFICE

Income Levy Eligibles Storm Clerks and Deputies to Make Returns

He was a big buck private with the two gold stripes of a year overseas. He was used to "bucking" chow lines when the mud is inches deep. But he balked at the income tax lines in the federal building this morning.

"You might think they were handing out doughnuts and cigarettes," he complained to a colonel who showed the commiseration of A. E. P. service by explaining that buck privates have no income tax to pay.

"Well, I was a wonderin'," he said in his gas-busky voice, "if we had to line up and hand out our \$34 a month."

But the colonel had to get into the line as the "buck" breezed off, for colonels get more than the \$3500 service exemption allowed Uncle Sam's military men.

The crowds that jammed the corridors of the Federal Building grasping income returns and checks were more than 1000. The crowd was more than 1000 but less than 15000. The most part, send in their returns by mail.

Rush Exhausts Return Sheets

The last week rush was so heavy that the return sheets for this class of taxpayer were exhausted by 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and Collector Lederer frantically was wiring Washington for additional forms.

The higher wages paid in 1918. The shipyard employes, for example, began to be numerous only at the beginning of 1918. The new tax forms for one thousand new taxpayers this year.

Under a new ruling of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue last year's shipyard workers' taxes are being levied on a return coming to them. This new ruling allows the full exemption of \$2000 for married men for the entire year even though they were single the last day of 1918. This applies also to children born during the year. The \$200 exemption in full is given, though the child was born on the last day of 1918.

Worried-looking men and women of all ages, sizes, dress and present condition of "wax" lined the second-floor corridors and the rooms of the internal revenue collector's office. With only four more days to get in their returns, the tax collector's office was crowded in by thousands yesterday and the rush began again this morning.

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Any man who tried to pass through the corridors without a return was liable to be pounced upon half a dozen times by anxious citizens of both sexes trying to work out the puzzle of the tax return. Any man who disclaimed a return looked upon with suspicion by overworked ladies, who thought the government clerks were dodging work. But the ladies were wrong.

Wearry Clerks Return to Work

Back of the counter in the end rooms of the collector's office thirty clerks were ready to work again this morning after spending all last evening clearing up their job. There were forgetful women who just at the moment of being sworn to their return would recall that they paid \$10 to the church last year, and that meant delay.

Then there were all sorts of puzzles to work out for persons who had somehow misunderstood the instructions printed on the return.

"Now my husband gives me all his salary except carfare, every week," one aggressive-looking woman informed the clerk. "He said he would do the return, and I think I should. Now do it?"

"You'll have to fight that out for yourself, lady," said the harassed deputy. The man who bore the brunt of the attack from aggressive questioners with worried looks was Felix Gargiura, the unofficial floorwalker of the Internal Revenue Department. He had a mile of the time somehow and a way of making worried looks vanish when women were old or men were not quite sure. He waded them to this office and explained the law and the profits and he managed thereby to keep the corridors halfway clear and amiable.

The mad rush to pay taxes will continue until Saturday night at midnight, when the time limit ends. In these last days most of the taxes due from the district will come in. Although the rush has been heavy every day this week, experience has shown the collector that the jam will come in the last two days.

The revenue collection force has been augmented twice and more aides will be taken on for the last two days. Efforts to prevent the rush at the Federal Building have been made by sending out to industrial plants and shipyards a large part of the force of 111 special deputies now at work collecting the tax. Persons are advised, if it is possible, to send their return accompanied by checks.

At least one-fourth of the tax due must be paid when the return is filed. And it must all be paid by June 30 in installments which can be arranged. But the great majority of persons are paying their tax in full as they file the return.

KISS AND MAKE UP

Wife Has Militant Spouse Arrested for Beating Her, Then Forgives

John Lawiewicz, fifty-two years old, Warsaw street, Camden, today looked across with his wife, kissed her and walked out of the Camden police court, where he had had a hearing on the charges of beating the woman and pulling her hair.

Recorder Stackhouse told the couple that in view of the fact that the woman and children he could not impose any sentence and he begged them to make up and live in peace in the future.

JOKE BILLS GET LAUGH IN HOUSE

Old Wallpaper Off Before New Is On, One Measure Provides

GRADE CROSSINGS BACK

Another Legislator Asks \$3500 for State Milk Exhibit in New York

By a Staff Correspondent Harrisburg, March 12.—Some one turned the jokesmiths loose in the Legislature today.

Representative D. J. Brethold, Dauphin County, put in the first measure to draw a laugh from the legislators. It provides that in removing the walls of a dwelling, store or any other habitable building, the old wallpaper must be removed.

Anyone who slaps new wallpaper over the old in repairing a building is fined a fine of \$50, if the Brethold bill became a law.

Next Representative Albert E. Hinn, Lehigh, stepped forward with his identical measure to abolish all grade crossings in Pennsylvania. It would cost the railroads a few billion dollars to carry such a program into effect.

Another bill, introduced by Allan Miller, Susquehanna, would appropriate \$3500 to defray expenses for an exhibition in New York city by the Department of Agriculture and State College on April 21, when the National Milk and Dairy Farm Exposition is held in that city.

PLAN TRANSFERS FOR 100 PASTORS

Many Changes Necessitated by Those at Two Philadelphia Churches

ONE MINISTER RESIGNS

About a hundred pastoral changes will be announced at the close of the Philadelphia Methodist Episcopal Conference, which session began today in the Spirit Garden Church, Twentieth and Spring Garden streets.

Two city churches and two upstate churches will be the pivotal points. It is said, around which many of the transfers will revolve. One of the local churches is the Columbia Avenue Church, Twenty-fifth street and Columbia avenue; the other, the Fletcher Church, Fifty-fourth and Master streets.

Filling the pulpits of the churches at Pottsville and Lancaster will lead to a shifting of many pastors.

The pastor of the Columbia Avenue Church, the Rev. Dr. F. W. Hart, died several months ago. The pulpit has been filled temporarily by the Rev. Dr. George Burns.

Wells to Columbia Avenue Church will be extended to the Rev. Dr. R. C. Wells, now pastor of Tabernacle Church, Pottsville, and of the Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, now pastor of the same church in Lancaster.

Unless something unforeseen develops in the next few days, the Columbia Avenue Church will be the only large church in Philadelphia to be affected by the pastoral changes. With the big Methodist centenary drive on for funds, it is expected that the best results can be obtained by shifting the preachers as little as possible.

The central church of Roxborough will be a knotty point for the Rev. Dr. S. M. Vernon, who is refusing to resign, and the Rev. Dr. Vernon has withdrawn his resignation because of such revenue shall go to the state. This will mean over \$1,500,000 more income for the state.

Provision for doubling state aid for fair and an appropriation of \$200,000 for the purpose of providing for the department of Agriculture or State College to make a stated display at a national exhibition in 1919 or 1920.

Mr. Miller, Susquehanna, read a bill repealing the act of 1913 devoting all personal property tax to counties and institutions of publicly owned charity.

Mr. Dawson also presented a bill for unclaimed deposits to go to the state without interest.

VOTE-ASKING SISTERS FADDISTS, SHE SAYS

Aged Pittsburgher Fires Opponents' Opening Gun in Harrisburg Campaign

By a Staff Correspondent Harrisburg, March 12.—Anti-suffragists have begun their fight against the suffrage legislation which is expected to be introduced in the House next week by Representative W. T. Ramsey, of Chester. Mr. Ramsey will sponsor a resolution that the constitution be amended to permit woman suffrage.

The opening gun against suffrage has been fired by Miss Eliza D. Armstrong, of Pittsburgh, who leads the anti-suffrage forces.

For a number of sessions past Miss Armstrong has been a picturesque figure on Capitol Hill, where she appears every two years as an ardent opponent of the vote for women. She is seventy-four years old and a member of one of Pittsburgh's first families.

METHODIST CONFERENCE OPENS SESSION

Rev. Dr. Linn Bowman



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THREE BROTHERS HERE FOR M. E. CONFERENCE

Bawden Family Claims a Unique Distinction Among Clerical Delegates

Three brothers will be present among the delegates at the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church which opens today at Spring Garden Street Church, such a representation being unique on the records of the denomination in this state.

They are the Rev. Edward Bawden, pastor of First Church, Lancaster; the Rev. Ernest Bawden, pastor of Oak Lane Church, and the Rev. William Bawden, who is now connected with the faculty of the Bangor High School, another brother, Alfred, will be a lay delegate tonight evening.

The Rev. Edward Bawden, the eldest brother, has been preaching for more than twenty-five years, and for the last seven years has been located at Lahona, near the city, each of his appointments being over a number of years.

The Rev. Ernest Bawden, who has been preaching more than twenty years, has been pastor of the Oak Lane church for five years, coming there from Royersford.

The third brother, the Rev. William Bawden, left the pastorate at Fern Rock church six years ago and became a professor of English at Bangor, but is still actively engaged in church work, and is named as a delegate to the conference each year.

The father of the brothers, the Rev. Josiah Bawden, died three years ago. His last appointment was as pastor of Clearfield church. The three brothers were ordained in this city. They are all married.

GROCCERS HEAR PLAN OF CHARTER REVISION

Ernest L. Tustin Asserts Four Evils Holding Back City Would Be Corrected

"Charter revision for Philadelphia as proposed at present will prove a great boon and will correct the four great evils which have done more than anything else to hold back this city," said Ernest L. Tustin, today.

Mr. Tustin, member of the Philadelphia Board of Trade, and vice president of the Pennsylvania food commission, made this assertion in his address of welcome to the members of the Wholesale Grocers Association of Pennsylvania last night in Jersey City, N. J.

"First, chamber session will provide a smaller council," he said, and thus eliminate the inefficiency of the present large body. A city is in reality nothing but a huge corporation and should be governed as one, and no corporation would have such a cumbersome advisory body.

"Another municipal objection is the contract system, a curse which has been handed down for generations. What the city needs is home rule, and let the public work be carried on under a system of honest bidding, which does not insure the placing of the contracts in the hands of the same men, year after year.

"Another good feature of the revision plan is the policy to remove the firemen and police from politics. They should be separated so far that they could not see each other with a telescope. No man on the police force is going to do his best when he knows that advancement depends on pull rather than on ability and faithfulness.

"And the last of the four evils which the revision will correct is the present financial system. Nothing would so handicap a crooked politician as to have the financial standing of this city as the budget system which has been proposed.

JAIL INSTEAD OF GRAVE

Camden Judge Gives Would-Be Suicide Three Months

Townsend Dodd, fifty-one years old, who on January 21 attempted suicide by cutting his wrists and throat, and jumping overboard at the Vine street Ferry, Camden, was sentenced today to three months in the Camden city jail.

"SQUARE DEAL" AT HEARING ON RORKE BILL PLANNED

Subcommittee of the Legislature Lays Down Schedule for Meeting at Pittsburgh on Sunday Amusements to Prevent Further Charges of Unfairness

No such disorders as marked the public hearing Monday on the Rorke bill to permit Sunday evening movies, lectures and concerts of an educational character will be tolerated when the subcommittee, which is considering the bill, holds a second hearing next Monday in Pittsburgh.

Steps to eliminate any further unpleasant features at the public hearings on the Rorke bill were taken at a meeting of the House judiciary special committee in Harrisburg. The bill is in the hands of this committee.

Charges of the opponents of the bill that they had been treated unfairly by Representative William F. Rorke, sponsor of the measure, stirred the committee members to action. To prevent a repetition of charges that the opponents of the bill had not been given a fair opportunity to present their argument a schedule was laid down for the meeting in Pittsburgh.

A resolution was adopted specifying that the hearing is to open at 9 o'clock Monday morning. Advocates of the bill will be given the first opportunity to be heard. They will be allotted one hour to present their arguments.

Opponents of the bill will be given a similar period to state their argument, and then the advocates of the measure will have twenty minutes for rebuttal.

Representative John R. Scott, chairman of the judiciary special committee, holds its final meeting on the bill to decide whether it shall be reported to the House with an affirmative or negative recommendation. The proceedings will be public. He said a resolution would be presented next week calling for a public vote on the measure.

COMMISSION BIGGEST BATTLESHIP FRIDAY

Idaho, Most Powerful Afloat, to Be Turned Over to Government by Builders

The Idaho, greatest of all battleships, will be placed in commission at 9:30 o'clock on Friday morning with short but impressive ceremonies.

The "monarch of the seas," under command of Captain C. T. Vogelsang, will be taken from the plant of the builders, the New York Shipbuilding Company, Camden, to the Philadelphia Navy Yard shortly after noon tomorrow by a working crew of sailors and shipyard employees.

On Friday morning the vessel's complement of 1400 men will be lined up in mass formation on the deck while the Idaho's band of twenty pieces plays lively airs. This band was recently transferred to the Idaho from the naval station at Pensacola, Fla.

The ceremonies will close with the raising of the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack on the stern of the Idaho and the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner" while the men stand at attention.

HALT CARS IN 141 N. J. TOWNS

Strike Ties Up Traffic in North Jersey District

Newark, N. J., March 12.—(By A. P.)—Virtually all the surface-car lines of the Public Service Railway Company, which operates through 141 cities and towns in northern New Jersey, were tied up today by the strike of 4500 employes, who are affiliated with the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America.

The walkout began at 4 a. m. and afternoon reports indicated few cars were running. Union recognition is the chief demand of the men, with a demand for a nine-hour day, with pay for ten hours.

Newark and its suburbs were without trolley service.

Affirmative Report on Ad Bill

Harrisburg, March 12.—The Boland bill, providing that legal advertisements and official notices shall be published only in newspapers printed in the English language, was ordered affirmatively reported by the House Judiciary Local Committee after an extended discussion. The vote was 10 to 5.

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HOG ISLAND PLANS WERE IN GERMANY

Maps and Other Information Found by Army and Navy Agents

SENT BY SPIES HERE Arrests During War of 254 Enemy Aliens Working in Yard Announced Today

Complete plans of the entire shipbuilding project at Hog Island, with valuable information of the work being accomplished and that to be undertaken, were found in Germany by agents of the army intelligence corps.

This was made known today after officials of the Fleet Corporation announced that 254 men, classed as dangerous spies, who succeeded in getting employment at Hog Island, were arrested and prosecuted during the war.

The Hog Island guard and secret service engineers the arrests, with the help of agents of the Department of Justice and members of the intelligence corps of the army and navy.

The plans were obtained and forwarded to Germany despite the most efficient work by the guards and secret agents at Hog Island, but they did not get through in time to allow the "war lords" to plan measures that would hinder operation of the yard.

The plans were obtained, but showed by the errors that those who had drawn them up had evidently been forced to do their work away from the inspiration and help of German spies. The plans were already suspected—that the United States was sparing no expense and no resource in its determination to overcome the central powers in the war.

An elaborate system of espionage was established at the yard to keep a constant watch on the workmen in search of dangerous alien spies. In all, 14,493 arrests were made by the 645 members of the guard and detective force at the island during the war. Many of these were for minor offenses, made more to preserve the morale of the workmen and to get suspected dangerous characters away from the yard than with any hope of ultimate conviction.

But in each case where a man was charged with being a spy it was shown that he was an untrained laborer who applied for work with a good record. In many cases the charge was produced. As a result of the evidence many of the men are now serving sentences and others are awaiting trial.

Some of the best-known fingerprint experts in the country were employed in the work at Hog Island. Every man who applied for work was made to submit to a full Bertillon measurement. This record was compared later to police records and in this manner many important arrests were made.

TO PUSH DOCK CONTRACTS

Cooney It Determined to Have Them Signed Before He Retires

Howard M. Cooney, vice president in charge of administration of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, went to Washington last night to begin the clearing up of his work before retiring from the fleet corporation, the latter part of the month.

Mr. Cooney said, before leaving, that he intends to make similar trips every week until he has turned back all his work to the executive board of the United States shipping board to have it in readiness for his successor.

"I expect to leave the Emergency Fleet Corporation between April 15 and May 1. But before I go I am determined to have a contract signed for two dry-docks for Philadelphia."

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DEATHS

CHERRY—Mary, wife of Ashby, Park, N. J. MARY CHAFFPE, wife of H. H. Ober, funeral services will be held at Borden's, 1019 Locust, Philadelphia, at 11 a. m. Sat. service, Crossroads.

MARCH 11, 1919. GODFREY CLARK, husband of Eliza L. Clark, aged 72, died at his home, 2111 Locust, Philadelphia, at 8:30 a. m. on March 11, 1919. Burial at Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, at 10 a. m. MARCH 11, 1919. FORNEY, suddenly. M. FORNEY, husband of Sophia (nee Rittenhouse), of 3344 N. 13th, at. age 65, died at funeral will be given.

HELP WANTED—MALE BOOKKEEPERS—ACCOUNTANTS—Widely known firm of Illinois and Ohio certified public accountants will require several applicants required to present themselves at our office, 1000 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, on Monday, March 18, 1919. Those who are conditionally hired, but while receiving instructions should be employed elsewhere.

AMBITION MEN WANTED To instruct by correspondence complete methods books, blueprints, etc. free. Write or call for catalogue, 1000 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. STEAM SHOVEL—Man wanted to operate steam shovel on long term contract near Wilmington, 401 Colonial Trust Bldg.

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