

N. J. LEGISLATURE RECEIVES 410 BILLS

Clubwomen Urge Law to Abolish Secret Societies in High Schools

FISHING FEE MAY BE RAISED

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger, Trenton, Feb. 9.—The legislative program outlined by New Jersey Republican leaders assumes definite shape as the fifth legislative week closes. Both houses will meet again Monday night. There are so many bills on the calendars of both houses that if enacted into law they would clutter and complicate the statute books almost beyond recognition. Any number of bills will get through the house of origin. The working-out process will then start.

In comparison with last year's session, the present Legislature to date has made an enviable record for quick dispatch of business. Sixty new laws and the resolution authorizing the Mackay probe of Hudson counts are on the books. One bill remains in the governor's custody awaiting disposition. Three or four other measures will be turned over to him today.

Up to date 410 bills and twelve resolutions have been introduced. The time limit for the presentation of new measures expires two weeks hence. By that time the legislative machinery will be clogged with proposed laws. The inevitable result is that about one-third of approximately 1000 measures offered finally will find their way into the state laws.

Mrs. Beatrice Stearns, of Matawan, lobbyist for the New Jersey Federated Women's Clubs, has presented to the Legislature through Assemblyman Darr of Bergen, a bill to prohibit the continuance of fraternities and secret societies in the high schools of the state. The measure proposes that such "frats" shall be banned unless open to all pupils. Otherwise, the sponsors believe, school societies are detrimental to the best interests of the democracy of the educational system.

Repeal of the one-half mill direct state tax, contemplated by a bill of 1918 to finance construction of the Hudson tunnel and Philadelphia-Camden bridge, is the object of a bill offered by Assemblyman Peterson of Union. The 1918 law was for a four-year term, starting 1922. With the acceptance of the \$25,000,000 bond issue by the electorate in November last, the necessity for repeal of the direct state tax is obvious.

The yearly scrap to increase the license fee for fishing and gunning cropped up again in the Assembly. The bill would compel residents to pay \$1.50 instead of \$1 a year, and nonresident licenses would be jumped from \$2 to \$3. The Senate, influenced by rural representatives, annually smothered the increased-license fee bill in committee.

Plan Colony for Feeble-Minded Favorable action has been taken by the House on the Whitney bill for the state to acquire the property of the Garden de Hirsch property at Woodbine Cape May county. A state colony for feeble-minded will be established there, provided an appropriation of \$75,000 is granted.

Awaiting the decision of the state's

POGROM IN AMERICA
READ HOW
SYMPATHISM
deals with religious intolerance, prejudice, crime and apathy.
Send dime. No stamps.
BACON, Lock Box 1927, Philadelphia, Pa.

\$100 IN CASH PRIZES
NOVELTY BORAX SOAP
Save 3 Wrappers

PUBLIC SPEAKING
A good idea of public speaking is to be a member of a group. Can you get out your own ideas? Can you get your own ideas? Can you get your own ideas? Can you get your own ideas?

Y.M.C.A.
CENTRAL BUILDING, 131 ARCH STREET

YOU SHOULD SEE OUR VALENTINES
Special prices on Valentine's and send hearts and love letters for your friends.
Go to \$1.25 each

The Library Shop
15 South 13th Street
"THE SHOP OF UNUSUAL CARDS"

Write or call for our new eye book. It tells you how to get the best out of your eyes.
A Series of
Eye Talks
No. 247
By Joseph C. Ferguson, Jr.
One Year Talk Wed. Feb. 23
The making of glasses—after the correct lenses have been specified—is a manufacturing operation requiring equal care through-out of a different nature, that called into play in diagnosing and prescribing relief for eye troubles.

It is not the work of the oculist to fit glasses, nor of the prescription optician to prescribe glasses and only by the two working together—each doing his specialized part—are perfect results obtained in every case.
If your eyes need attention, go to an oculist—a physician eye specialist. If glasses are necessary, have the prescription filled by a prescription optician.

J. C. Ferguson, Jr.
Prescription Optician
6, 8 & 10 South 13th St.
We do NOT Examine Eyes
This Talk from a copyright entry. All rights reserved.

READING SEEKING RANK OF SECOND-CLASS CITY

Governor Promises to Act if Legislature Fails to Do So

Reading, Pa., Feb. 9.—A reply has been sent by Governor Sprout to the Rotary Club, one of many business and civic organizations which have recently passed resolutions urging the Governor to proclaim Reading a second-class city, it having passed the 100,000 mark in the recent United States census. The Governor's telegram says he will act if the Legislature fails to do so.

It is expected that a reclassification of cities may be made at the present session, demoting Scranton to the third class with Reading and Erie, and making a fourth class for the other cities now in the third class. Republican leaders here are urging this action, fearing that the present Republican Council may be succeeded by a Democratic majority if an election of a new second-class City Council should be held. It also is asserted that the second-class city laws are not suited to cities of the size of Scranton and Reading, as they impose too much expense.

Governor Sprout's telegram says: "In view of divided sentiment regarding a change in the classification of the cities of Reading and Erie, it seems to me that it would be wise to await any action which the Legislature might feel like taking before issuing a proclamation placing these cities in the second class. However, if the Legislature shall not care to take such action I shall promptly issue a proclamation according to the present law upon the subject."

NEEDLE WORKERS STRIKE

40,000. Half of Them Women, Walk Out—Demand Closed Shop
New York, Feb. 9.—(By A. P.) A strike of 40,000 needleworkers, 50 per cent of whom are women, was called here today by officials of the joint board of dress and waistmakers, unions in an effort to enforce the closed shop in the women's clothing and manufacturing industry.

The strike was voted at a meeting held yesterday.

Your Credit's Good
50 Cents a Week
or \$2 a Month
Will Dress Your Boy in One of These Stylish SUITS BARGAIN COUPON

\$5.00 Bill
On One of These Stylish SUITS
\$5.95 to \$13.75
GEO. KELLY'S
624-28 Market Street
2330-34 N. Front Street
1816-20 Atlantic Ave., Atlantic City N. J.

BILL GIVES CITIES HOLD ON UTILITIES

Would Force Corporations to Live Up to Contracts With Municipalities

Harrisburg, Feb. 9.—Return to municipalities of a measure of home rule in their dealings with public utility companies and other important changes in public service laws are proposed in a series of bills presented in the House by Representative McVicar, of Allegheny county.

The measure provides that all tariff changes shall be passed upon by the Public Service Commission before they become effective. It is required that when a company files an application to change its rates it shall be accompanied by data upon which the proposed increase is based. If the commission finds the proposed increase not justified by the data it shall deny the application. Authority to investigate the character of service rendered by a utility company and to direct and secure its improvement is vested in the Public Service Commission by a second bill. It provides that:

Whenever a city, borough, town or township shall file a complaint with

the commission alleging that the service of a public service company is inadequate or improper and that it is specifically wherein the service is inadequate, investigation shall be made, and if the commission finds the charges sustained it shall "enter such decree as the facts found shall warrant."

The requirement that all contracts and agreements entered into between a municipality and a utility company shall be passed upon by the Public Service Commission is stricken down by still another measure, which extends the powers of home rule of municipalities. It means that municipalities would be free to exact whatever bargains or agreements they could obtain from utility companies in return for franchise or other rights and that these agreements would be binding.

HEADCOLDS?
BAUME ANALGESIQUE BENGUE
Soothes, Relieves, Keeps a Pain at Bay

Joseph J. Darlington & Co. INC.
1126-1128 Chestnut Street

A Clearance Sale of the Finest Woolen Dress Fabrics

Only once before in its history has the Darlington Store made such a drastic reduction in Woolen Dress Fabrics, but present conditions call for a radical readjustment and we have decided to clear away all of our high-price materials at once even though so doing means a very great loss to us. Please remember that these are the finest wool weaves obtainable, a great part of them the famous Priestly English-made. Of some things there is considerable yardage, others are in smaller quantities. Mostly in black and navy.

- \$2.85 a yard for—**
- 54-inch Trico Jersaire reduced from \$7.50
 - 54-inch Poirat Twill reduced from \$6.00
 - 46-inch Poplin reduced from \$6.50
 - 46-inch Tussah reduced from \$6.50
 - 54-inch Cravenette reduced from \$6.00
 - 54-inch Serges reduced from \$5.50 to \$8.00
 - 54-inch Chevron reduced from \$6.00
 - 54-inch Gabardine reduced from \$5.50
 - 48-inch Shepherd Plaids reduced from \$4.50 & \$5.50
 - 42-inch Melrose reduced from \$6.00
 - 42-inch Crepe Cloth reduced from \$5.25
 - 42-inch Wool Crepe de Chine reduced from \$6.50
 - 42-inch Cashmeres reduced from \$3.25 to \$4.50
 - 42-inch Wool Voiles reduced from \$6.50
 - 54-inch Camel's Hair reduced from \$5.50
 - 54-inch Hair-line Stripe Serge reduced from \$5.50
 - 54-inch Broadcloth reduced from \$6.00

These prices will continue until the lots are sold, but early selection is advisable as the most desirable cloths will go fast.

Values That Are Solving the Furniture Problems in Thousands of Homes

Small wonder, for, to see this exhibit, with its new lowered prices, is to feel an irresistible impulse to possess some of this handsome Furniture. The price-cutting on the immense stocks that fill our Salesfloors and enormous warehouses has been as drastic as it has been sweeping. Greater reductions than we have ever made in our history, and are ever likely to make again. Large losses for us, it is true, but in bringing prices down to the lowest level they have been in nearly half a dozen years we have done the thing that is characteristic of the Van Sciver House—lift this February Sale in the matter of values head and shoulders over any event of the kind in the Furniture Field.

While the Furniture prices of the old peace days are never to be expected again, we say to our customers that the lowered prices of the new era of prosperity are here. There is no need to wait longer. The unparalleled values in this Sale amount to a mighty clearance—a preparation for the more promising days now beginning to dawn on the country.

But there is something more in this Sale than the triumph of a February exhibit. Something more than the Van Sciver victory over high prices. It is the achievement of forty years of specializing in manufacturing, buying and retailing the kind of Furniture that is prized for its quality and admired for its charm in the tens of thousands of homes this Great House has furnished.



\$710.00 HANDSOME MAHOGANY HEPPELWHITE 10-PIECE SUITE, NOW \$485.00
Modeled at a time when the art of cabinet making had reached its highest development, this classic Suite stands out with a charm and dignity that is impressive. The case ornamentations, faithfully copied and daintily reproduced, leave no doubt of the authenticity of the design. A hospitable Suite that would give warmth and hospitality to any Dining Room. Full 66-inch Buffet, with 54-inch 8-foot Extension Table and large 44-inch wide China Closet. Has 38-inch Serving Table and sturdy Chairs, the seats of which are covered in a pretty shade of brown leather. One of many great values on our floors.

See These Reductions and Save

- A few of the thousands of Suites and Pieces at the new lowered prices:
- | LIVING ROOM | DINING ROOM | BEDROOM |
|--|---|---|
| \$300.00 Tapestry Suite, Cushion effect, 3 pieces, \$195.00 | \$407.25 Mahogany Finish Suite, 10 pieces, \$333.75 | \$516.00 Walnut or Mahogany Heppelwhite Suite, 7 pieces, \$333.25 |
| \$425.00 Tapestry Suite, Cushion effect, 3 pieces, \$285.00 | \$412.75 Walnut Suite, Queen Anne Style, 10 pieces, \$335.00 | \$618.00 Mahogany Chippendale Suite, 4 pieces, \$505.00 |
| \$725.00 Tapestry and Velour Suite, Loose Cushions, 3 pieces, \$510.00 | \$452.00 Chippendale Mahogany Suite, 4 pieces, \$375.00 | \$235.00 Mahogany Chippendale Suite, 3 pieces, \$195.00 |
| \$65.00 Overstuffed Tapestry-covered Wing-back Chair, \$32.50 | \$197.50 Walnut Inlaid Italian Renaissance Suite, 10 pieces, \$185.00 | \$1125.00 Walnut Louis XVI Suite, 9 pieces, \$985.00 |
| \$52.50 Mahogany Finish Book Case, \$35.00 | \$1100.00 Mahogany Queen Anne Suite, 10 pieces, \$875.00 | \$95.00 Louis XV Maple Bureau, \$78.00 |
| \$50.00 Loose Cushion Velour Suite, 3 pieces, \$39.00 | \$85.00 Mahogany Extension Table, \$65.00 | \$47.50 Mahogany Finish Dressing Table, \$38.00 |
| \$350.00 Loose Cushion Velour Suite, 3 pieces, \$225.00 | \$97.00 Mahogany Finish China Closet, \$43.00 | Chiffoniers, Chiffoniers, Dressing Tables, Night Tables, Vanity Dressers, Bedroom Chairs, at savings equally great. |
| \$125.00 Velour Covered Suite, 3 pieces, \$165.00 | | |
| \$89.50 Jacobean Oak and Pine Suite, Tapestry-covered seats, 3 pieces, \$68.00 | | |

Floor Coverings Far Below Market Prices

- A CLEARANCE OF OUR ENTIRE STOCK, the greater part of which is drastically reduced 25 to 50 per cent. Prices such as have not been seen in years. Values hundreds have been waiting for. Rugs for every room. All stock sizes represented. Here is but a suggestion of the weaves, sizes and savings:
- | ROYAL WILTON RUGS | SEAMLESS AXMINSTER |
|--|---|
| \$117.00 Royal Wilton, 9x12 size, sold at \$180.00 | \$70.00 Seamless Axminster, 9x12 size, \$45.00 |
| \$175.00 Royal Wilton, 6x9 size, \$47.00 | \$59.00 Seamless Axminster, 7.6x9 size, \$38.50 |
| \$108.00 Royal Wilton, 8.3x10.6 size, \$64.00 | \$76.00 Seamless Velvet, 9x12 size, \$49.50 |
| \$215.00 Royal Wilton, 11 1/4x15 size, \$145.00 | \$70.00 Seamless Velvet, 8.3x10.6 size, \$48.50 |
| \$89.00 Loose Cushion Velour Suite, 3 pieces, \$225.00 | \$80.00 Best Seamless Axminster, 9x12 size, \$59.00 |
| \$48.00 Seamless Tapestry Brussels, 9x12 size, \$32.00 | \$54.50 KLEARFAX RUGS, 9x12 SIZE, \$39.75 |
| \$60.00 Seam Axminster, 9x12 size, \$36.50 | \$41.00 KLEARFAX RUGS, 8x10 SIZE, \$28.50 |
| | \$28.00 KLEARFAX RUGS, 6x9 SIZE, \$21.00 |

ENTIRE STOCK OF ORIENTAL RUGS, 25 TO 50 PER CENT LESS
Carpets at Proportionate Savings
NEW LOW PRICES in Office Furniture, Draperies, Beds, Bedding, Lamps and Clocks

J. B. Van Sciver Co.
Manufacturers, Importers and Retailers
MARKET STREET FERRY, CAMDEN, N. J.
Stores Open at 9:30 A. M. Closes at 5 P. M.
Telephone (Pennsylvania) Call Lombard 350
Connections (New Jersey) Call Lombard 350
Market Street Ferry Boat Land Opposite Store

The House that Heppe built

Founded in 1885
Inaugurated the One-Price System in 1881
Downtown—1117-1119 Chestnut Street Uptown—6th and Thompson Streets

Why buy an imitation when you can own a genuine HEPPE PIANOLA-PIANO for \$785?

IN THESE times, it is more important than ever to safeguard the dollars you spend for any kind of merchandise by avoiding imitations.
In player-pianos there is only one genuine player-action—the Pianola—made and guaranteed by the famous Aeolian Company of New York, and protected by their valuable patents. All others are imitations.
Pianola-Pianos are sold only at Heppe's, the Aeolian agents in Philadelphia. All the wonderful Pianola perfection is embodied in the Heppe Pianola-Piano at \$785. Hear it, try it, prove its superiority yourself.

The HEPPE Rental-Payment Plan
enables you to make a small down payment and pay the balance at mere rental rates, all the rent applying toward the purchase price.
Call or phone for full particulars, or when writing, use this coupon

C. J. Heppe & Son | 1117-1119 Chestnut Street | Philadelphia
Sixth & Thompson Sts.
Please send me full particulars about the Heppe Pianola-Piano and your 3 Year Rental-Payment Plan.
Name _____
Address _____
Lett. 9-9-21