

THREATENS TO QUIT JERSEY ASSEMBLY

Jersey City Legislator Indignant at Opposition to Anti-Landlord Bill

ACTION IS POSTPONED

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger

Trenton, N. J., March 10.—Failure of the Legislature to adopt a housing bill which would prevent dispossession of tenants before May 1, 1921, will result in Assemblyman James H. Nelson of Jersey City, surrendering his seat in the Legislature and repudiating the Republican party. Assemblyman Nelson so informed the caucus of House Republicans at the State House before recess of the Assembly for the week. Later on the floor of the Assembly in conversation he repeated his threat. Mr. Nelson made a vigorous, but futile attempt to have the caucus endorse the bill. Assemblyman Pierson, of Union, financial and tax expert, believes the Nelson bill entirely workable, according to Mr. Nelson, and offers the best solution of the housing problem now so acute in the northern section of the state.

The measure is known as House bill 218 and briefly provides that no tenant can be forced out of a house so long as the rent is paid promptly. The Nelson bill states that the only exceptions permitted would be in case the tenant's house was to be demolished or the landlord could prove that the tenant was a public nuisance and obstructive.

When the Nelson bill came up in the Assembly early in the week, it was decisively beaten. At the Republican conference yesterday Nelson did not mince words in telling his party associates that they were selling out to the Democrats in failing to take advantage of his bill to relieve the housing situation. Mr. Nelson declared the attorney-general had introduced the bill, that it was in proper legal form and would withstand constitutional attack. The assemblyman also said the Jersey City law department had endorsed the measure, which is sorely needed in that municipality.

Carries Fight to Floor

Defeated in caucus, Mr. Nelson carried his fight to the Assembly floor. He requested that the vote by which the House yesterday frouted the bill be reconsidered. The motion prevailed.

Opponents of the Nelson bill went on their feet protesting. From Nelson's home town, Jersey City, came the most violent opposition. Assemblyman Thomas Loughran, Sr., of Jersey City, urged the House to postpone action on the measure for a week. A



DR. FRITZ HOLM

The well-known Danish explorer and writer has been appointed special envoy of San Marino. It is the first time in the history of the tiny republic that it has been specially represented in Washington

compromise was reached to make the bill a special order of business Monday night.

Among the legislators counted my Assemblyman Nelson as new converts to the anti-landlord bill are Assemblyman A. Lincoln Moore, the Hunterdon assemblyman, and Andrew C. Roswell, of Cape May.

When Mr. Nelson was requested to give the name of those fighting his bill in the caucus, he mentioned among the opponents Assemblywoman Margaret B. Laird, of Newark. Mrs. Laird said her objection would be removed if Mr. Nelson would consent to an amendment permitting house owners to dispose of real estate before May 1, 1921. Passage of the bill, in its present form, according to Mrs. Laird, would prevent a house owner selling a rental property.

Delay Bill Ouster

Republican House leaders have decided to await a conference with senators of their party before taking a vote on the House Lott bill to dismiss

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Motor Vehicle Commissioner William J. Hill. The Lott bill had been on the House calendar this week, but in absence of a caucus agreement it was not advanced for a vote.

After a study of the various bills to regulate the practice of medicine, osteopathy and chiropractic, a special committee has submitted to the Assembly a report embodying recommendations to end the warfare among these practitioners.

The legislators suggest a raising of educational standards so that by 1925 the "chiropractic" and osteopathic preliminary education will be up to the standard prescribed for the medical practitioners. The committee recommended abolition of the separate chiropractic licensing board and the addition of three members to the state board of medical examiners, one an osteopath and two chiropractors.

"If this scheme is carried out, the state medical board will consist of thirteen members, five allopaths, three osteopaths, two osteopaths, two chiropractors and one eclectic," said the report.

Senate President Allen's bill increasing from \$25,000 to \$50,000 the appropriation for the proposed Salem army was adopted in the Assembly.

WOMEN ORGANIZE DEMOCRATIC CLUB

Camden County Starts Out With 200 Members and Will Have Home in Camden

OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

Collingswood, N. J., March 10.—Mrs. John S. E. Pardee, of Collingswood, was elected president of the Camden County Women's Democratic club, just organized, with headquarters in Camden. Other officers were elected were: Mrs. Robert A. Irving, Haddonfield, vice president; Mrs. Raymond D. Donges, Merchantville, secretary; and

Mrs. Emma E. Hyland, Camden, treasurer. The advisory board is made up of: Mrs. John W. Westcott, Haddonfield; Mrs. R. F. Rieder, Collingswood; Mrs. William J. Kraft, West Collingswood; Mrs. Gilbert Campbell, Collingswood. Additional women will be named from other sections of the county.

The club will be incorporated under the laws of New Jersey and will meet two Monday nights a month, one of which will be a business and the other a social meeting. The membership exceeds 200 and a clubhouse in Camden is being arranged for.

The first banquet of the club will be given Saturday night in the Camden Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Pardee and Mrs. Donges who are leading in the work announced that about 250 covers will be laid and that the speakers will be Governor Edwards; Mayor Donnelly, of Trenton; John S. E. Pardee, of Collingswood; Camden county Democratic committeeman; Mrs. George Bass, of Chicago; and Mrs. Jean Kane Foulks, of West Chester, Pa.

LEGION GIVES MINSTRELS

Palmyra Post Has Excellent Show

In Camden Y. M. C. A. Hall Palmyra, N. J., March 10. American Legion minstrel show under the auspices of Washington Camp No. 117, P. O. S. of A., took place in the auditorium of the Camden Y. M. C. A. last night. Post Frederick Rodgers No. 150, of Palmyra, presented the entertainment. A burlesque musical sketch, "Paying the Rent," was very well received. Music was furnished by the Palmyra Orchestra. Harry C. Fox acted as interlocutor in the minstrel show, and the end men were William Stucky, Jack Althouse, C. Raymond Miller, Harvey Fisher, James M. Weart and Frank Matthews.

Named to Head Hotel Men

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