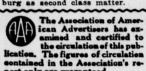
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THE LEGISLATIVE MILL

OR months the Legislative Reference Bureau has been searching the statutes of Pennsylvania for the purpose of introducing at the next session a bill to repeal all obsolete acts and those which are inconsistent with later measures. While the bureau is about it why not repeal most of the laws and get back to first principles in the matter of government.

For a decade or more the lawmaking branch of the Commonwealth has been busy placing upon the statute books as many laws as could be passed and to-day the ordinary citizen doesn't know which way to turn in order to avoid some kind of a penalty.

But despite the mountains of legis lation, there are those in Pennsylvania who are still insisting upon more legislation for the regulation of this and that, and the prospects are that the Legislature of 1915 will be deluged with all kinds of measures.

the stories of a possible retirement of Mr. Phelps may be taken as pure fic-tion. Those who know the guiding star of the Times would hardly need that as-surance, inasmuch as it is an open surance, masmuch as it is an open secret that Mr. Phelps has certain defi-nite plans for the future which involve the welfare and comfort of all his em-ployes and the charitable and religious institutions of Erie. Even a goodnatured man will sometimes resent the nagging of his enemies.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE

TXTY-FIVE of the hundred and ninety odd girls who will be members of the incoming freshman class of the Central High school have indicated that they desire to take the new home economics course. For no other course are there nearly so many signers.

Does this prove that the modern girl takes no interest in the commonplace duties of home-making? Does this show a lack of enthusiasm on the part things must be reported. art of baking hot cakes and darning socks? Does this indicate that the feminist movement has made the fairer part of the race care more for the vote than for anything else? Not in little old Harrisburg, thank you.

Whatever else it may or may not prove, one thing is certain-it was high time that domestic science be put into the high school.

Advices from Washington indicate that Oscar Underwood, the principal genius of the free trade tariff act that is now overturning the prosperity of the United States, will come into Pennsylvania to make speeches for the Palmer McCormick ticket. This announcement not be distasteful to the Republileaders. It will be interesting to Mr. Underwood explain why the present Democratic Congress is legislating for the benefit of foreign manu facturers while the administration proper is kowtowing to Great Britain in the matter of the Panama Canal

DEMOCRATS ARE ANXIOUS

VENTS are moving swiftly in the political arena and there is mighty little of comfort in what is transpiring for the Wilson administration and its supporters in Pennsylvania and elsewhere. There are indications everywhere of a getting together of the two sections of the Republican party. In one of the important districts of Brooklyn last night the regular Republican organization adopted by a standing vote a This looks like another assault upon the resolution inviting Colonel Roosevelt and his associates "to take their proper place in the counsels of the Republican party to the end that the Republicans and Progressives may go forth in one united column for the success of the Republican party in the nation at the elections this fall."

This action by an important district of greater New York is a significant

straw, showing the direction of the political wind. Here and elsewhere the two camps of Republicans are bebrought closer and closer togethe Whatever differences appeared in 1912 are rapidly disappearing and admirers of Colonel Roosevelt in both camps are urging him to aid in the rehabilitation of the party, to the end that the blundering of the Democrats now in ower may be ended as quickly as pos

There appears to be little doubt that the Progressive wing of the party will unite with the regulars in a general Delivered by carriers at subscribers at \$1.00 a year in advance.

Madison policies. It is stated in a dispatch policies. It is stated in a dispatch from Washington this morning that the former President "has had time body". son he has foreborne ventilating his views on Mr. Wilson's administrative policies has been a strong pressure who are afraid that by speaking too hastily he may make some tactical blunder which will in the end injure the Progressive party cause." It is not improbable that the con-

erence to be held in Washington tonight between Colonel Roosevelt and of his friends in the regular organizaunderstanding looking to an amalganation of the Republican forces. Colonel's first attack on the Wilson Administration will deal with the pro ect to pay Colombia \$25,000,000, the and the handling of the Mexican situa-

Perhaps the most significant phase of the daily developments respecting the getting together of Republicans is the anxiety with which Democrats are bserving the movements of Rooseelt and their concern over what they believe to be a desire on the part of the opposition to fuse. Experienced Democratic leaders know quite well hat with the Republican party practically united as it is to-day there is no hope of Democratic success next November, and certainly no prospects of a continuance of the Wilson policies after 1916.

With regard for permanence of treat-ment the Superintendent of Parks and City Property is arranging to have the walks along the river parks top dressed with broken stone, which will be rolled hard. This work will be started this week. It is also expected that the planting damaged during the construction of the intercepting sewer will be restored at different places. As a mat-ter of fact, there has been entirely too much discretion allowed contractors in the use of the parks for their opera tions. Much damage has resulted and this expense should not be placed upo

FAIR PLAY FOR RAILROADMEN

THE Canadian Pacific Railroad has developed a system of promotion that ought to find favor Among all the newspapers of Pennsylvania there is none that has a finer regard for achievement in its chosen field than the Erie Daily Times. This is kept down by the fact that his with the big railroad systems of field than the Erie Dally Times. This could hardly be otherwise with such a live wire as F. S. Phelps in control. We gather from an emphatic editorial statement of Saturday that Mr. Phelps has felt called upon to take note of some personal inaccuracies of an Eric contemporary. He declares that the Times is being conducted in the interest of the people of Erie, and that all the stories of a possible retirement of conception of Grant Hill, general is doing. Too often credit is claimed conception of Grant Hill, general manager of the western lines, with about 40,000 employes under his direc-Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, at tion. family banquets, has, before now, expressed regret that good men might overlooked, notwithstanding the fact that the company was on the keen lookout for the men who were to come after the present officers.

It has been felt that while the men close at hand could be measured as to capacity, the thousands at a distance, working on all parts of the line, ex tending for thousands of miles, might e overlooked in spite of the most

undeniable qualifications Mr. Hall, then, appoints trustworthy persons who shall go over the western system regularly, watch the men, themselves unsuspected, and report, not their bad, but their good qualities; how they do their work; how they conserve the interests of the company; how they show their zeal. If bad, against whom the black mark is made will have a chance to be heard before judgment is rendered. In this way it is believed, the merits of the men will be more certainly discovered, and being discovered, promotion will follow upon the discovery-when that is possible

This idea, which is even now being put into effect, should be regarded by the big American systems as both novel and excellent. The wonder is that i was not tried before. The men who are at the elbow of the president or at the heads of departments are, of recreation course, noticed and promoted, which may be just enough; but those who are not seen have not the same chance and yet they might be just as capable as the more favored ones. This has been felt to be a grievance from the beginning, but a grievance which could not, apparently, be remedied. Mr. Hall has found a way. He brings each employe close by the report he will re-ceive respecting him. Of course, the investigation which the secret spector can make must necessarily be superficial; nevertheless, it will have value. They can see where there is courtesy, a willingness to help, zeal for the service; and these enter into character. And the whole thing works for the betterment of the service and fair play for the employes.

AN EVENING THOUGHT

Not myself, but the truth that in life I have spoken,
Not myself, but the seed that in life I have sown,
Shall pass on to ages—all about me forgotten,
Save the truth I have spoken, the good I have done.
—Bonar.

EVENING CHAT

Folks who follow legislative matters and especially those Harrisburg people who like to attend the sessions of the General Assembly during the long winter evenings and who have come to look upon men who take a leading part in the framing of laws almost as residents of the State capital because of their long service in the Legislature and prominence in the news will be especially interested to note that some to the commanding figures in the last House will not be members, having declined renomination. First and foremost, Speaker George E. Alter will not be here, having refused to run for any nomination this year and declining attractive offers to back him for state, congressional and senatorial nominations in his home county. Daniel J. Shern, one of the ablest of the Philadelphians and a wheel horse of the Republican organization, will not be heard, and neither will his next neighborbor and old-time friend, with whom he fought often and hard last session, John R. K. Scott. Scott is running for Congress and the Legislative John R. K. Scott. Scott is running for Congress and the Legislative John R. K. Scott. Scott is running for Congress and the Legislative John R. K. Scott. Scott is running for congress and the Legislative George W. Allen, the Pittsburgh lawyer, who spoke on every question under consideration and who was on the firing line as often as Scott; Dan Malie, one of the front row Pittsburghers; C. J. Hemminger, of Somerset; Albert Davis, of Scranton; George C. Irwin, the Hollidaysburg railroad man, and A. E. Keeport, Reading's Republican member, will be missing when the roll is called. On the Democratic side E. Lowry Humes is now safe in a federal office and there may be Republicans from Crawford. John T. Matt, of Bedford, who stormed around when Humes did not have the floor, is not coming back, and neither is the veteran agriculturalist with keen tongue, H. C. Snavely, of Lebanon. D. Lloyd Claycomb, of Alteona, will not be around, either. Plymouth W. Snyder, of Blair, and W. H. Semmes, of Allegheny, wi

of Norristown, and G. A. Baldwin, of Beaver, will be missing.

The list of nominating petitions filed did not contain the names of some of the leading men and just now folks on Capitol Hill are awaiting the official returns to see how those who did file papers for renomination fared at the primaries. Judging from the few county returns already in hand, it would appear that the next House will contain a rather large proportion of new faces. Of the veterans John M. Flynn, of Elk, will not only be the oldest Democrat in point of service, but the "Father of the House." Flynn has sat ever since the session of 1903. Fred C. Ehrhardt, of Scranton, is the oldest Republican in service, dating from 1905. He had a hard fight for renomination. If Dick Baldwin comes back it will be his sixth regular session. "Dirt Roads" Jones has been in every session since 1907, so that he is pretty well along in work, and so is S. B. Scott, the stormy petrel from Germantown, who sat in 1907. Josiah Howard goes back to 1905. Richard Curry has been in the House for a number of sessions, although he has a break of two in his line, which began back in 1901. Henry Gransback, of Philadelphia, may be the oldest man in point of age in the next House. He is also a former senator and has sat in the House for three sessions.

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It might be said in passing that of the committee which "investigated" charges of lobbying and other things only R. J. Baldwin, the versatile Delaware countian, seems at all likely to be heard of next winter. Claycomb went down in his battle for renomination and George A. Baldwin, the chairman of the commitee, laid off this time. It is said he has ambitions to be judge of his county. This committee used up some of the hottest days, from the standpoint of temperature, last session and ran up bills for witnesses and expenses which have not been paid. The report as made satisfied no one and it is probable that there will be a fuss over the unpaid bills when the next session starts. The whole matter was started by George Baldwin and he began it when the session was near its close.

[From the Telegraph, May 26, 1864.]
Rebels at South Anna
Washington, May 26.— Dispatches
from General Grant received this
morning inform the department that
the rebel army still holds a strong
position between North and South
Anna where their forces appear to be
concentrated.

Governor Brown Issues Call
Milledgeville, May 18. — Governor
Brown has issued a proclamation calling out the civil and militia officers of
the state to report to General Wayne
at Atlanta immediately to aid in repelling the enemy.

Republicans and Democrats Will Elect Their Chairman Next Wednesday

BULLMOOSERS NEXT DAY

Pa-Mc League Has a Talk Between the Halves-Pinchot Fails as Drawing Card

Two of the state committees will probably hold their meetings for organization on Jine 3 in this city. According to present plans, both the Republicans and Democrats will meet on the same day and at the Capitol it is believed that the returns will be in hand for certification of the rolls. The Washington party state committee will likely meet on June 4.

The returns from eighteen counties have been received at the Capitol and it is expected that with the exception of Philadelphia and Allegheny counties the returns from practically all of them will be in hand by Monday. Today returns were filed by Westmoreland, Schuylkill, Crawford, Forest, Indiana, Lehigh, Mercer, Pike and Sullivan.

The humors of the recent primary keep cropping out everywhere. In Philadelphia it semes that in spite of all the roaring and tearing around by the reorganizers they elected but one of the Philadelphia state committee. Things men. Up in Luzerne county Dan L. Hart, the Wilkes-Barre treasurer, was elected a member of the state committee in the face of frantic opposition by Fritz Kirkendall. In Eric county the Old Guard is reported to have trimmed the reorganization gangsters and in small counties the Old Guard elected men where the machine thought it had cinches. In Lackawanna county Maxwell Chapman, charman of the Washington party county committee, lost ington party county committee, lost the senatorial nomination to William Lynch, the Republican candidate. This is the same thing that occurred in Blair.

Senator Penrose will be at Marietta on May 28. On Memorial Day he will deliver an oration at Easton. On the following Sunday he will be in Philadelphia and on Monday will speak before the eighteenth convention of the National Association of Clothing Manufacturers at Atlantic City on "The United States as a World Power." On the following Saturday he addresses the twentieth anniversary of Washington Camp, Patriotic Order Sons of America, in Philadelphia.

America, in Philadelphia.

The Pa-Mc League had a joliification between the halves, to use a football term, last night and the members got some straight hard talk while they were resting.

Boy Scouts Candid at e McCormick Have Foot announced that there Ball Talk was going to be stiff, hard play the second half, which rather chilled the ardor of some of the leaguers. But immediately music was played and a letter from Candidate McCormick read and then there were more speeches, among the speakers being that well-known fullback, E. Moeslein, the almost back, D. L. Kaufman, and the altogether back, James A. Stranahan. The report that the orchestraplayed a funeral march at the close is incorrect.

The Philadelphia Ledger says: "Roland S. Morris, chairman of the Democratic state committee, yesterday said reports received by the state committee showed that William J. McNair, of Pittsburgh, a Ryan ocandidate, had received Be Winner the Democratic nomination for Secretary of Internal Affairs. He said also the reports showed that the nominees for congressmen-at-large were Robert S. Bright, of Philadelphia: Martin J. Caton, of Pittsburgh; Luther B. Seibert, of Potter, and John Smith Sherley, of Clarion. The new Democratic state committee probably will meet at Harrisburg June 3. Little opposition to the re-election of Mr. Morris as state chairman is expected, as Palmer and McCormick, reports show, have captured 80 of the 113 committeemen. The Democratic state platform will be drafted by the candidates themselves at a meeting to be held some time before the state committee organizes. Democratic leaders yesterday said that it would embrace both A. Mitchell Palmer's platform and that of Vance C. McCormick."

In the hope that Pinchot will do better in Perry, the following is given as his itinerary: Gifford Pinchot will make a tour through Perry county by automobile, visiting the following places on Thursday, May 28: Leave Harrisburg at 7 a. m., arrive at Duncannon at 8 a. m.; arrive at Elliottsburg at 9.45 a. m.; arrive at Loysville at 11 a. m.; arrive at Loysville at 11 a. m.; arrive at Loysville at 11 a. m.; arrive at Blain at 12 noon; arrive at Saville at 1.45 p. m.; arrive at Eschol at 2.45 p. m.; arrive at Markelville at 3.15 p. m.; arrive at Markelville at 3.15 p. m.; arrive at Donnally's Mills at 4.15 p. m.; arrive at Donnally's Mills at 4.15 p. m.; arrive at Mills for at 3.45 p. m.; arrive at Mills for at 4.15 p. m.; arrive at 4.

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS

—The second half will soon start and the Democrats will never get anywhere near the Republican goal.

—Brumbaugh will carry the ball over and the Palmer-McCormick defense will be like paper.

—Colonel Roosevelt is billed to talk in Pottsville-in October. Many things

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