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ALL AGREE ON SHORT SESSION
PRACTICALLY all the newspapers of the State have taken the position of the Telegraph in favor of a short and business session of the Legislature. Also the influential Republican leaders are of the same mind with respect to the meeting of the lawmakers.

There is a general feeling throughout the Commonwealth that business has been so hectoring by the national Congress that any further nagging by the State lawmaking body would be like placing the last straw on the camel's back.

But notwithstanding this sentiment there are those who are even now discussing more radical measures for the amelioration of mankind. These faddists should have mighty little consideration. They have had their day for more than two years and all that has happened in that period has been the upsetting of business and a general disruption in every direction.

What the people want is a quick getting back to solid ground and the proposal of a short session dealing only with the more important things demanding attention has met the approval of everybody who has real interest in the welfare of the State.

There is talk of a hundred-day session. It might just as well be a sixty-day session and better legislation would result from prompt action beginning the day of the organization and continuing until final adjournment.

Senator Penrose, who is wise in his day and generation, was asked yesterday concerning his opinion about the work to be done by the Legislature and replied:
I prefer to leave the questions that must be decided by the Legislature to the men who have been elected to decide those questions. If my advice shall be asked at any time I will give it as a citizen and will do what I can for the real benefit of the Commonwealth.

are coming from London at present than from any other country or city. Reports from Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan indicate that while there was considerable pessimism during the Fall regarding the outlook for future business the prospect is improving and changes for the better are already to be noted. In some sections the improvement has been marked during the present month, which would indicate a direct result of the swinging back to sanity in the conduct of national affairs.

Experts of the bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce at Washington are at work on reports obtained from every South American country with a view to suggesting to American manufacturers a feasible way of winning the enormous trade with those countries which Germany was forced to abandon at the outbreak of the European war. Preliminary reports show the situation to be greatly complicated. With the exception of Argentina every country is financially embarrassed to a greater or less extent. They are loaded with huge crops and mineral products usually absorbed by European manufacturers, now out of reach.

As was indicated in a recent address before our Chamber of Commerce by the head of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, the first step which America must take to secure South American trade is one in the direction of financing those countries which have been depending heretofore upon London. Loans made by this country would mean reciprocal trade arrangements that would grow enormously in volume from year to year.

However, the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States takes a somewhat different view. He says there were many articles of absolute necessity formerly shipped into South America from Germany and which now must be obtained in the United States. Trained salesmen, in his opinion, who know the language and customs of those countries, should have little trouble in obtaining these orders and the urgency of the case makes it certain ways of financing them will be found.

These problems will be discussed at the trade extension meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Harrisburg next Tuesday and the fact that business men all over the United States are now considering ways and means of getting into touch with South America and other foreign countries gives added interest to the conference to be held here.

Uncle Sam's increased prosperity will depend in large measure upon his ability to reach out into the markets of the world and take over the business which has now been abandoned by those countries warring with each other.

There is little time left to give for the Thanksgiving ship that is to sail away to Belgium on Thanksgiving Day. Harrisburg has done splendidly, but it could do much more. Conditions are terrible in the little country which has been the theater of most of the great battles since the first of August. Women and children are the principal sufferers. They are homeless and without food. We of this country should give while we thank the Almighty that we have been spared the horrors of the lands beyond the sea.

HERICK IS COMING HOME
AFTER distinguished and acceptable service as the American ambassador to France, where he has given a fine example of disinterested American friendship, Myron T. Herick will sail for home on Thanksgiving Day. His Democratic successor was appointed by President Wilson some time ago, but the exigencies of the situation created by the war made it advisable to continue Mr. Herick at this important post until such time as it was considered safe to make the transfer. Even now it is a question whether the experienced ambassador, who is now about to return home, should not have been continued in the service of his country at Paris until the end of the war, but the policy of the present administration at Washington seems to be more partisan than patriotic in most cases.

Mr. Herick will return to his own country with the increased respect of his fellow citizens because of the high character of his service and the admirable way in which he has met and discharged the exacting duties devolving upon him in a delicate situation.

Already the name of Herick is mentioned among those likely to be considered by the great Republican party in 1916 for the Presidency. His large public experience at home and his international reputation have caused him to be discussed very favorably in connection with the highest office in the gift of the American people.

him when he becomes the head of the Commonwealth in January. Meanwhile those who are waiting for his return to tell him how to run the State government must possess their souls in patience. Incidentally he has some views on that subject himself.

Those who have been watching with interest the planting of some fine trees in the river parks now realize how important is the municipal nursery at Island Park. But there is still any amount of space for tree planting, and the dying giants in the central part of the city must have substitutes to take their places within the next few years.

EVENING CHAT
"Was that it all about?" is a question that has been asked a thousand times concerning the Editorial Welfare and Efficiency conference held this week in the State Capitol and which brought to the city no less than 2,000 persons, mostly at their own expense. This question was answered in the words of Dr. John Price Jackson, who was the moving spirit in the conference. The idea is to stimulate interest in the industry that make for safety, welfare, economy and efficiency, and the greatest of these is safety, was the terse way in which the officials who has created the Department of Labor and Industry put it to me to-day. "There are many people who are willing and even anxious to aid and whose help would be invaluable, but they need some definite lines to work on. Safety is something which everyone can preach and get others to practice by setting an example. The conference enabled many excellent ideas to be put forward."

A high compliment was paid to-day to Harrisburg for the manner in which its people, its business and its traction company, electric company, manufacturers and others had backed up the safety first movement by W. H. Cameron, the secretary and treasurer of the National Council for Industrial Safety. He comes from Chicago and has been preaching safety for years, being the chief among the men who have been endeavoring to calculate the idea that it is better to be safe than sorry. "I have been much interested in the manner in which the party here and the teachers and what it preaches," said Mr. Cameron. "The conference was remarkable for the big people who attended and for the fact that so many organizations sent men here. The exhibits made by the Harrisburg concerns show that they appreciate what safety means, and I think that with your police force, firemen and teachers endeavoring to demonstrate the importance of being on the safe side, the coming generation ought to be well instructed. Harrisburg ought to have a live working organization here and preach safety first in every line of industry, indoors and out, and it has gotten a good start."

Only those who figured in the conference can appreciate the people who constituted it. The United States Steel Corporation, for instance, had a score of representatives here and the Pennsylvania Railroad as many more. Great big concerns were represented by their officials or by safety experts. In many cases sending a couple of men who had been endeavoring to calculate ideas for safety for every general line of industry could be discussed, the branches ranging from blast furnaces to retail stores. In addition every labor union from the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to the butchers, bakers and bartenders, trolley-men and bricklayers, craftsmen, and so on, were represented. Men and women interested in uplift, welfare, sociological, philanthropic and other organizations who were interested auditors of the speeches.

A good many people are wondering why the water meters are being read this month instead of in March, as has been the rule for many years. Some of them are inclined to argue about it when the reader comes around. The reason is very simple. The present fiscal year will end on December 31, the Clark third class city commission government act having made the fiscal year correspond with the calendar year, as it should be. The result is that the books and everything else will be closed as of the last day of the year. This will also affect other branches.

The sudden drop in November temperature has had the effect of boosting overcoat sales and the clothing men say that in spite of the bad business times there is a demand for the good warm coats. People are not running wild for fancy coats. They are buying serviceable ones and they are paying for them, too. Of course, we have to carry over the people by a rule, we have found cash paying to be pretty general, was the way one man put it.

"This week has been notable for some of the finest sunsets I have seen for a long time," said the amateur meteorologist last evening. "They have been of the particularly gorgeous type for which the Susquehanna valley is noted and the heavens have been bright with red and pink, turning to light green and gray and then to the purple." Operations were arranged to see the sunsets from the Capitol or from Allison Hill.

Edward E. Jusque, member of the Legislature from Susquehanna county, was here yesterday looking up quarters for his fifth legislative session and was warmly greeted by his friends. Mr. Jones is being known as "Dirt Road" Jones because of his "dirt road" advocacy of the bills for improvement of dirt roads, and it is a pretty safe bet that he will be chairman of the roads committee in the coming session. Mr. Jones is also a farmer and dairyman and is away up on such matters.

The giant locomotives placed on the siding of the Pennsylvania Railroad to form part of the safety exhibit have attracted the attention of many visitors to the city, including traveling "milk" men, who have noticed them near the station, while railroadmen from far and near have clambered into their cabs. The engines are the largest ever turned out for the Pennsylvania Railroad or for any other road. There are some longer ones in service, but not as heavy or of as great driving power.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT
LAW NOT OBSERVED

Some Candidates Have Failed to File Oaths With Statements They Have Sent

FLINN INSPECTS THE WRECK
Plans to Keep the Washington Party Machine in Safety After the Cold Winter

Over half of the expense accounts sent to the State Capitol for filing under the act of 1906 requiring publicity of campaign expenditures have been returned so that they may be corrected and put into the form required by law. The number found defective is larger than ever noted before and it has also been noticed that more inquiries as to the manner of filing accounts have been made than usual.

In most instances where it was necessary to send back the statements of expenditures the candidates had failed to swear to them as required by law, an apparent oversight, as the rest of the accounts were generally found to be in form. In other instances the receipts for sums of money were not attached and some reports were too general to meet the requirements of the act.

Only a few of the reports filed have been confined to contributions to State or local offices, and some candidates set out their expenditures in detail. The officials of the State committees are now working out the statements of the campaign expenditures and they will be filed within the next few days. The time for filing expense accounts will expire on December 3 and the candidate who fails to file may be dropped from taking the oath of office.

Preparations for the session of the Legislature which will begin on January 5 have already commenced. The State Capitol and tons of supplies are now being laid in for the printing and business of the two houses. All repairs and alterations have been made in the legislative hall and committee rooms which have been used by departmental offices since the last general assembly will be vacated next month. Governor Tener will prepare his final message soon and officials who report to the Legislature have started to compile their statements.

William Flinn, E. A. Van Valkenburg and other Washington party men held a conference at Philadelphia last night to devise ways and means to keep the party organization in camp until it is needed again. The machine, like that of the Democrats, is undergoing repairs for internal explosions and for the stopping up of shot holes in its hull. It is Flinn's intention to take out the party next year and to employ it as vigorously as its system will stand two years hence.

In connection with the meeting of the Bull Moose chiefs at Philadelphia yesterday it is stated that Gifford Pinchot will file an expense account showing that he spent about \$40,000 of his patrimony for the campaign and that Flinn put in \$20,000. The Washington party state committee did not have much to spend except from these two generous souls.

The talk of the state is the speech of ex-Judge James Gay Gordon at the Clover Club and it is freely predicted that it will take much to get a man something for a reorganization of the Democratic party and the throwing out of the present bosses. It is the intention of Palmer, Morris and the rest of the "Big Four" that they can flourish around in 1916.

In this connection it is interesting to note that the Hoskins wing of the reorganized Democrats in Philadelphia has named committees on a Jackson day dinner and that the other wing will also have a dinner. Friends of Michael J. Ryan will give him a reason, which he will use against the easier amendment of the State Constitution, against the initiative and referendum and the recall of elective officers (not including judges), against insurance by the State, against the subordination of non-residents by amendments by the Legislature to the people upon petition to the former. In short, the state so long the forcing bed and expiring station of "direct" government and newfangled nostrums is distinctly "reactionary." So is Oregon, its only rival in the political patent medicine habit.

\$3.00—New York and Return—\$3.00. Next Sunday, Pennsylvania Railroad. Special train leaves Harrisburg at 7:45. From the city of the greatest American City.—Advertisement.

OUR DAILY LAUGH



Point of View
"Point of view, I wouldn't be so stingy as to blather for anything. Why, he hasn't any friends, was as stingy as he is, maybe you wouldn't need any friends."



The Three "R"s
"Three 'R's' constitute 'the three R's' in the education of a debutante? Well, I should say so. The 'R's' are: Rags, time and repartee. whole week!"

IT'S NICER TO LIE IN BED
By Wing Diaper
It's great to have good food to eat. At home three times a day. And if it wasn't there, I guess there'd be a heap to say about it. These winter mornings, to get up at five, and take a car. The marketing to do. There's lots of things I'd rather do. For instance, shovel snow. Or get up, say, at four o'clock. To go out hunting. But I can't quite become resigned to wake up with the shock that comes on market days at five. From my big alarm clock.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

The foot and mouth disease played havoc also with a number of statesmen.—Indianapolis Star.

Easy now to see why President Wilson kept Congress working at his bills day and night.—Boston Herald.

President Wilson did not realize what a prophet he was when he said Democratic legislation against big business had come to a close.—Wall Street Journal.

It is hard to believe those reports that the Bull Moose party is rapidly shrinking. In his latest photographs he looks as large as ever.—Nashville Southern Lumberman.

There are now some Republicans bold enough to predict that the "single Presidential term" plank of the Baltimore platform will be lived up to after all.—New York Herald.

Don't be discouraged, Professor Wilson, it's merely a psychological defeat.—Boston Transcript.

What with Cannon and Gore, the next Congress will give well with the spirit of the times.—Columbia State.

That excellent howitzer, T. R., seems to be minus adequate cement foundation these days.—New York Evening Sun.

It is a wise custom that prompts a President to issue his Thanksgiving Proclamation before the first Tuesday following the election in November.—New York Herald.

Will Henry James or some other expert analyst of conflicting emotion kindly tell us just how Colonel Roosevelt feels over the election of his stand-pat son-in-law?—St. Louis Republic.

TWILIGHT OF THE POLITICAL QUAKERS
[From the New York Sun.]
The people of Wisconsin voted by large majorities against all the ten constitutional amendments proposed this year. They voted against the easier amendment of the State Constitution, against the initiative and referendum and the recall of elective officers (not including judges), against insurance by the State, against the subordination of non-residents by amendments by the Legislature to the people upon petition to the former. In short, the state so long the forcing bed and expiring station of "direct" government and newfangled nostrums is distinctly "reactionary." So is Oregon, its only rival in the political patent medicine habit.

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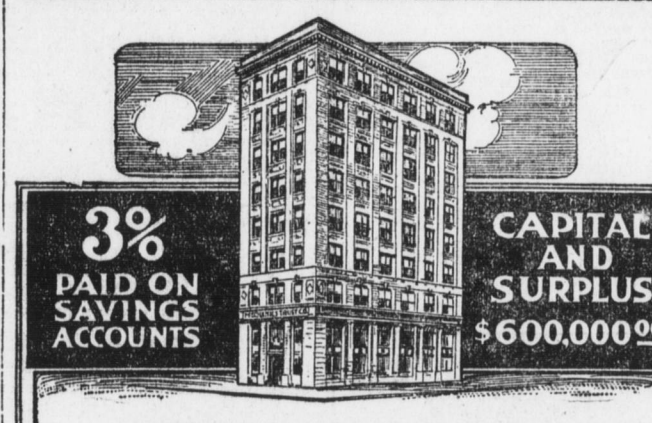


Thanksgiving Linens

SINCE Thanksgiving is the one day when every housewife wants her table linens to be at their best, this announcement concerning our assortments of superior quality linens is most timely. Scotch, Irish and German makes are represented—all are moderately priced.

Table Damasks
An unusually broad assortment of Table Damasks showing many new patterns and beautiful designs—the kind that wear well and launder nicely.
Mercedized 64-inch choice patterns at 39c per yard.
All linen 62-inch full bleached at 65c per yard.
All linen 66-inch full bleached at 75c per yard.
All linen 70 and 72-inch full bleached at \$1.00 per yard.
All linen 72-inch full bleached at \$1.25 per yard.
All linen 72-inch German Silver Bleached at \$1 to \$1.25 per yard.
Pattern Tablecloths, bleached and all linen—variety of beautiful patterns in 2, 2 1/2 and 3 yards long by 2 yards wide at \$1.75 to \$10.00 each.
Round and Square Scaloped Tablecloths—all-linen and pretty designs at \$3.50 to \$5.00 each.
All-Linen Napkins, in 18, 20, 22 and 24-inch sizes—full bleached and in rich, attractive patterns at \$1.00 to \$6.00 per dozen.
Hemstitched Napkins, all-linen—wide variety of handsome designs at \$1.50 to \$5.00 per dozen.
Beautiful Table Sets, consisting of tablecloth and one dozen napkins to match—all-linen—in the most desired sizes, at \$5.00 to \$25.00 per set.
Fine All-Linen Tablecloths, hemstitched and scalloped in 4-4, 5-4 and 6-4 sizes at \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.
Tray and Carving Cloths—in hemstitched, open edge and scalloped at 25c to \$1.00.
Buffet Scarfs—in hemstitched, plain, embroidered and scalloped edges and lace and insertion trimmed; sizes 18x36 inches and 18x54 inches, at 35c to \$1.00 each.
Doilies—all sizes from 6 inches to 30 inches in hemstitched, scalloped and Cluny lace edges; also embroidered and drawn work at 10c to \$5.00.

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NEWS DISPATCHES OF THE CIVIL WAR

[From the Telegraph, Nov. 21, 1864]
Grant at Petersburg
Washington, D. C., Nov. 21.—Information was received here of firing on the rebel lines by Grant at St. Petersburg.

IN HARRISBURG FIFTY YEARS AGO TO-DAY

[From the Telegraph, Nov. 21, 1864]
River High
The river is very high at present.
Conductor Killed
George D. Fray, freight conductor, this city, was killed in an accident near Altoona.
Band Raises Funds
A solace was held last night to raise funds for the new band. A large sum of money was turned in.

DAUPHIN DEPOSIT TRUST COMPANY

The New Stamp Act
Under the new War Revenue Bill all taxable items must be stamped commencing December 1. If you want to know what these items include, and the "whys and wherefores" of this new stamp act, we will be pleased to furnish you with a copy of the bill that will explain the matter thoroughly. This is just another instance of our efficient service that is at the command of everybody. Notes are the only taxable banking item.
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