



LEGISLATURE OPENS WITH REPUBLICANS IN CONTROL

Charles H. Kline Chosen President Pro Tem and Charles A. Ambler Speaker of House

PERFECT HARMONY IN BOTH BRANCHES

Governor's Message Read; Adjournment Today Until Evening of January 18

Amid flowers and with general expression of good wishes the One Hundred and Twenty-first General Assembly of Pennsylvania began its work to-day.

When the presiding officers had been elected by strict party vote and the routine business transacted authority was given for the arrangements for the inauguration of Dr. Martin G. Brumbaugh on January 19 and then the members settled back to listen to a very interesting farewell message from Governor John K. Tener.

The Senate organization resulted in the election of Charles H. Kline, of Allegheny, as President, and in the House the selection of Charles A. Ambler by the Republican caucus was ratified.

Senate Convened and Elects Senator Kline as President Pro Tem

At 12:15 Lieutenant-Governor Reynolds called the Senate to order for the session of 1915, with every member present, and following a prayer by Chaplain Arthur C. James, the formality of opening the returns of last November's election was taken up on motion of Senator Snyder.

All was harmonious and there was not a ripple on the surface to mar the program decided upon at the Republican caucus last evening.

Senator Charles H. Kline's friends had already congratulated him upon his choice as president pro tem, and only remained to put the matter to the formality of a vote.

The Senate chamber was a bower of flowers and filled with a throng of good-natured, smiling faces long before the hour of opening rolled around.

A huge bunch of roses in a tall wicker vase graced the desk of Senator Beldeman, who was the center of a crowd of old friends, shaking hands and renewing acquaintances.

Senator Martin, of Cumberland, was also early on the floor and Dr. Gerberich, President pro tem, last session, was warmly greeted and seemed as popular as in the days when he was a presiding officer.

The Senate is overwhelmingly Republican this year, there being thirty-eight Republican, eleven Democrats and one Washington party member.

Among the new faces on the floor to-day were E. W. Patton, Republican, Philadelphia; Owen B. Tenney, Republican, Philadelphia; William Wallace Smith, Republican, Philadelphia; Frank P. Croft, Republican, Merion; Elmer Warner, Democrat, Carbon; Horace W. Schantz, Republican, Lehigh; W. Clayton Hackett, Democrat, Easton; William M. Lynch, Republican, Lackawanna; W. Wayne Hindman, Democrat, Clarion; Plympton W. Snyder, Republican, Blair; Samuel J. Miller, Republican, Clearfield; Horace A. Thompson, Democrat, Carbon; William H. Sellens, Republican, Allegheny; W. J. Burke, Republican, Allegheny; William S. McKee, Republican, Allegheny; J. W. Stewart, Democrat, Jefferson; Marshall Phillips, Republican, Franklin, and Raymond E. Smith, Washington, Crawford.

William C. McConnell, Republican, of Shamokin, was welcomed back after

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SPEAKER AMBLER AND FOUR CANDIDATES WHO WITHDREW IN HIS FAVOR



Above are seen the five candidates for Speaker of the House: Standing, left to right, Henry J. Wilson, Jefferson county; Robert P. Habgood, Bradford, McKean county; seated, George W. Williams, Tioga; Charles A. Ambler, the Speaker, Montgomery, and R. J. Baldwin, Delaware.

GOVERNOR TENER'S FAREWELL MESSAGE STRONG DOCUMENT

(Full Text of Governor's Message Pages 12 and 13)

The farewell message of Governor Tener, submitted to the Legislature at its opening session this afternoon, deals very largely with a review of his administration, but nevertheless contains a number of very important recommendations which the Governor says are the results of his observations in office.

Of greatest popular interest, perhaps, are the Governor's pleas for the passage of a workmen's compensation act and for the adoption of the woman's suffrage resolutions which were passed two years ago and if approved this session will go before the voters in November next as an amendment to the State Constitution.

Surfeit of Laws Governor Tener believes Pennsylvania

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nia to be well and economically governed and that a great volume of new legislation is not necessary at this time.

"People throughout the nation, generally speaking, are suffering from a surfeit of laws, rather than too few," he says, and he recommends for his successor "earnest co-operation and assistance in passing only such laws as are necessary and will prove for the benefit of all the people of the commonwealth."

The Governor urges the Legislature not to appropriate money beyond the estimated revenues of the State and makes specific recommendations for appropriations for the following purposes:

For charities in no case more than the amount specified by the State Board of Charities.

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HILL WOMEN TO SEW TO AID RELIEF

First Neighborhood Circle to Meet Tomorrow in St. Andrew's Parish House

Organization of one of the first neighborhood sewing circles which are proposed in all parts of the city is being effected by the Harrisburg Home and War Relief Committee.

Preliminary plans for the circle to meet in St. Andrew's parish house were made soon after the organiza-

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SPENT \$32,000 LESS FOR WATER BUREAU

Bowman Shows Council How Economically City Water Was Furnished in 1914

Operation of the water department in 1914, the first year under the commission form of government, cost just \$2,367.56 less than in 1913, according to the annual statement of receipts and expenditures submitted to Council this afternoon by Commissioner Harry F. Bowman, superintendent of public safety.

The report of the water bureau shows that despite the improvements, etc., that were inaugurated or developed during the last twelve months, the net earnings totaled \$80,915.93.

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BURGESS IN CHARGE OF WATER STATION

Company Failed to Furnish Coal and Move Was Made For Town's Safety

Dallastown, Pa., Jan. 5.—To protect itself in case of fire the borough yesterday assumed charge of the pumping station of the York County Consolidated Water Company.

Civil Administration For Part of Russian Poland

Berlin, via wireless on London, Jan. 5, 5:30 A. M.—Announcement is made here that the portion of Russian Poland occupied by the Germans has been provided with a civil administration under Herr Von Brandenstein.

GOOD WORK FOR CHILDREN

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.—Reports of good work done during the past year throughout the country in behalf of working children were enthusiastically received here to-day at the opening session of the eleventh annual conference on child labor.

TO HUNT DOWN ALL FALSE ALARM RINGERS

Sixty Firemen Pulled Out of Warm Beds Needlessly at 1:45 by 'Joker'

Resolutions urging the Fire Chief to use his influence toward securing the arrest of all persons sending in false alarms will be adopted at the next meeting of the Firemen's Union.

In the opinion of a member of the Hope Fire Company, running to a fire in winter is a hazardous proposition. Sixty firemen were called from their beds at 1:45 this morning by the false alarm.

Dr. W. C. Jacobs Succeeds Dr. Brumbaugh as Head of Philadelphia Schools

Philadelphia, Jan. 5.—Dr. William C. Jacobs was elected superintendent of the city's public schools to succeed Governor-elect Brumbaugh at yesterday's meeting of the board of education.

WICKERSHAM EARNS \$7,461 EXCESS FEES

Largest Sum Ever Turned Over to County by Recorder Is Netted

Dauphin county's share of the excess fees netted by the County Recorder's office during 1914 totaled \$3,730.82, according to the annual report of Recorder O. G. Wickersham, filed to-day with Special Auditor William B. Boyer.

AUSTRIANS SURROUNDED

Paris, Jan. 5, 4:55 A. M.—A Petrograd dispatch published in L'Importation reports that the Russians have occupied eight Hungarian townships and that several divisions of the Austrians are surrounded in the Carpathians.

STRUCK BY ENGINE

Jacob Ermer, 511 South Front street, Steelton, employed by the Harrisburg Gas Company, was struck by a Cumberland Valley Railroad engine this morning at the rear of Pennsylvania freight station, Third and Mulberry streets.

TRADESMEN TO FORM FEDERATED COUNCIL

All Branches of Organized Trade in This City to Co-operate in Work of Body

A union meeting of all the organized trades of Harrisburg will be held this evening in Schutzenbach's Hall, Fourth and Walnut streets, for the purpose of forming a Federated Trades Council under the control of the American Federation of Labor.

WEDDED, DIVORCED, WIDOWER AT 23, READY FOR ANOTHER

Wedded and divorced while still in his teens and a widower at 23, George H. Hankey, York, established another union record for the Dauphin county marriage license bureau to-day by making his third application for a license.

BLINDED BY GAS EXPLOSION

Special to The Telegraph. Carlisle, Pa., Jan. 5.—Willis W. Daron, secretary of the borough, was seriously injured, and may lose his sight as the result of an accident which occurred when the gas engine which operates the ventilating system at the Franklin school building, exploded yesterday.

RUSSIANS SUCCESSFUL IN OPERATIONS IN EAST GERMAN FORCES RETREAT

Petrograd Says Kaiser's Army Has Been Driven Back From Battlefront Before Warsaw; French Advance in Alsace, but There Is Little Other Activity in West; Both Sides Hold Their Entrenched Positions

The German defenders of Alsace are still losing ground before the French advance. To-day's official statements from Berlin as well as Paris speak of fighting to the east of Steinbach, showing that the French have pushed beyond this recently captured village.

Infantry fighting has been resumed in Belgium and the French report states that ground was won by the allies near Kleuport. Elsewhere military activities chiefly in the way of artillery duels.

The war spirit in Italy has been revived by the death of a French battleship of a grandson of Garibaldi, Italy will have about 1,000,000 men under arms by the end of this month, and a reserve of another million is being formed.

Further Russian successes in operations against the Austrians are described in unofficial dispatches from Petrograd. According to these dispatches, the Russian troops which were sent several days ago to have penetrated the passes of the Carpathian mountains and begun an invasion of Hungary in force have captured eight Hungarian towns and surrounded several divisions of Austrian troops in the mountains.

ever, and the latest official announcement from Vienna asserts that the Austrian forces in Galicia have captured strong positions and are preparing for further operation.

Although it is admitted in Petrograd that the Germans occupied Russian positions at Bolimow, on the battle front before Warsaw, the Russian war office states that the invaders later were driven back again, abandoning six machine guns.

Submarines Endanger England's Supremacy at Sea; Borjimow Taken

Berlin, Jan. 5 (By Wireless to Sayville, L. I.).—Recent war news, according to the official press bureau, has made an unusually cheering impression. The bureau refers to the official announcement that the destruction of the British battleship Formidable was due to a German submarine and says this is further striking evidence as to how England's supremacy at sea is endangered by Germany's submarine fleet.

GERMANY DOES NOT FAVOR HALTING EXPORTS

Washington, Jan. 5.—Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee to-day told proponents of legislation to prohibit exports of raw materials to the German government that the Berlin Foreign Office had made it plain that it did not expect the United States to stop such exports.

WHEAT HIGHEST IN FORTY YEARS

Chicago, Jan. 5.—Directly as a consequence of the European war cash wheat in Chicago to-day sold at \$1.35 a bushel, the highest price in more than forty years.

ATHLETICS GET LAJOIE

Cleveland, Jan. 5.—Napoleon Lajoie for thirteen years second baseman and former manager of the Cleveland American League Club, to-day was released by President Charles W. Somers to the Philadelphia Americans.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Robert V. Varney and Catherine Preston, Grantiam. Clarence J. Leeper and Elsie Reinhauser, Steelton. George W. H. Shattock and Sarah E. B. Shambaugh, Steelton. George H. Hankey and Ida A. Jacobs, York. Leonard H. Jones, city, and Mary Raymond, Gettysburg.

THE WEATHER. For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and slightly warmer to-night, with lowest temperature about 25 degrees; Wednesday cloudy and warmer.