



LOCAL OPTIONISTS HERE BY THOUSANDS

CHEERING, SINGING THROUGHS ENDORSE GOVERNOR'S BILL

J. Denny O'Neil Presides at Chestnut Street Auditorium, Where Crowd Far Too Large For Hall Adopts Ringing Resolutions Reported by ex-Speaker Alter; Big Hearing This Afternoon on Hill and Governor Will Speak Tonight at Meeting Over Which Senator Oliver Will Preside; Liquor Men in Woeful Minority

Thousands of representative Pennsylvanians to-day wrote "Tuesday, April 6," in great white letters on the pages of the history of the Keystone State as the day upon which the people's voice declared in speech and song for the right to say whether or not it shall harbor the liquor traffic at its doors.

And behind the thunder of the voices was the ominous muttering of November elections and the threat of the polls.

All day was the time, and Harrisburg's greatest auditorium, several of its biggest churches, the courthouses and the rotunda of the Capitol itself were the places.

For this was "Local Option Day" in Pennsylvania history and men and women from all over the State, in response to Governor Brumbaugh's appeal for an expression of sentiment on the Williams bill before the Legislature, gathered to the number of close to 10,000 to voice their approval of the measure.

Great Meeting For many and many a day Harrisburg will remember that great meeting at Chestnut street auditorium this morning.

And this afternoon there was another series of demonstrations when thousands marched to the Capitol for the meetings on the Hill and to-night there will be still further demonstrations when the crowd is expected to be held at 8 o'clock in Chestnut street hall and at least two of Harrisburg's largest churches, Pine Street Presbyterian and Methodist.

Senator Oliver will preside at the meeting and Governor Brumbaugh will speak. From Philadelphia to Pittsburgh, the faraway Greene county to the shores of Erie's lake, the crowd poured into the city during the late hours of last night and the early hours of today.

Three Special Trains Philadelphia alone sent three special trains bearing 5,000 voters singing enthusiasts; Pittsburgh sent along close to 500.

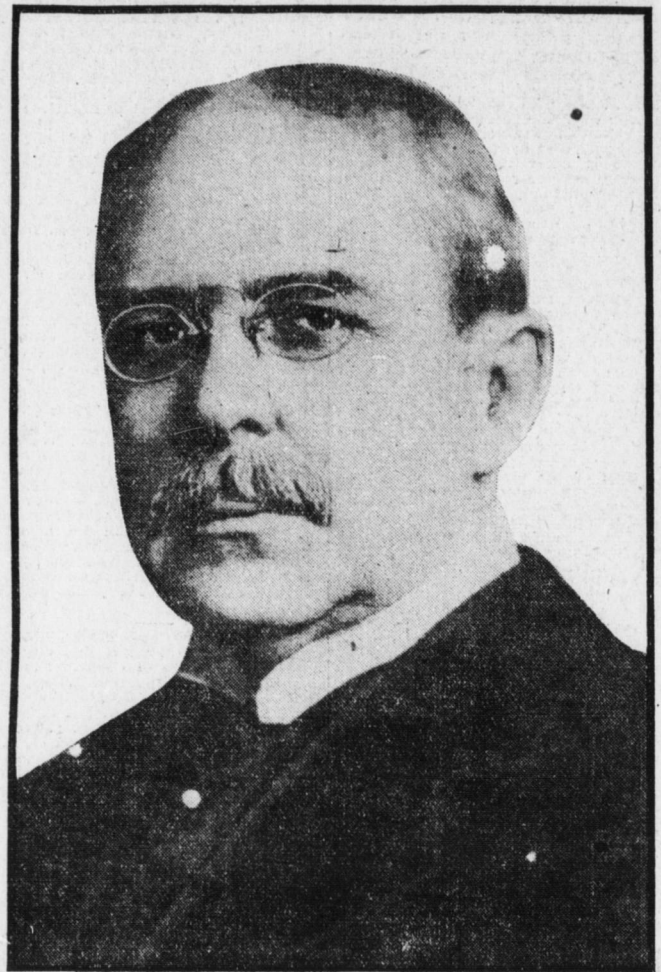
And the big body did more than lift its voice in song and shout for local option. It adopted resolutions that ought to have much the same effect on Capitol Hill as the distant thunder of a 42-centimeter trophy on the watchful sentries of Paris.

Some of Pennsylvania's leaders in the fight for local option regardless of politics wore white ribbon flags to-day and they hurried an expression of opinion of Pennsylvania's greatest problem in voices that were more than insistent. And the answering roar of the great audience when the particular point was driven home readily testified as to where the expression was mutually agreeable.

A Few of the Speakers Such speakers as J. Denny O'Neil, who was temporary chairman of this

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to-night and Wednesday; not much change in temperature; lowest temperature to-night about 45 degrees. For Western Pennsylvania: Fair to-night and Wednesday; moderate west winds. River The North Branch and the lower portion of the West Branch will rise slightly to-night and Wednesday. Other streams of the system will remain nearly stationary. A stage of about 9.4 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Wednesday morning. General Conditions The depression from the western border of the Great Lakes has moved slowly eastward with decreasing strength and is now central near Georgian bay. It has caused light rains in the Lake region and the upper Ohio Valley, and thence eastward to the Atlantic coast. The center of the western disturbance has moved from Southern Utah to New Mexico during the last twenty-four hours, causing light rains in Nevada, Utah, Southern California, Wyoming, Western South Dakota and Nebraska. Elsewhere in the United States the weather has been fair. It is 2 to 16 degrees cooler in the Dakotas, Idaho, Nevada, Southern Utah and Arizona and in Western Canada. Over the rest of the country a general rise of 2 to 18 degrees in temperature has occurred.

SENATOR OLIVER, WHO WILL PRESIDE OVER TONIGHT'S LOCAL OPTION RALLY



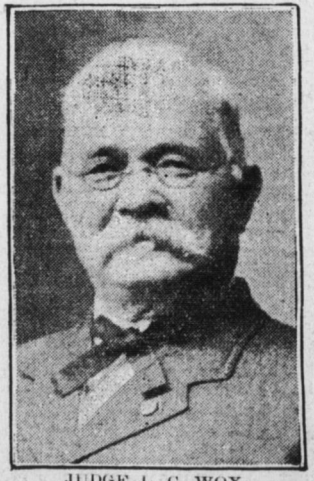
UNITED STATES SENATOR GEORGE T. OLIVER.

Pennsylvania Local Option Song Tune—"It's a Long Way to Tipperary"

Down from Gov'nor Brumbaugh, Came an edict clear one day, Saying "Local Option," boys, Must have the right of way. Pennsylvania wants it, And I'm pledged to do my best, So frame a law that gives fair play, Let voters do the rest.

PERRY COUNTY JUDGE DIES AT MARYSVILLE KILL AMENDMENTS TO CHILD LABOR

Lucien C. Wox, Well-known Jurist, Had Been in Ill Health For Several Years Governor's Bill Passed by House on Second Reading Practically Without Change



JUDGE L. C. WOX

Marysville, April 6.—Lucius C. Wox, an active and well-known resident of Marysville, and associate judge of Perry county, died at his home here yesterday, after being in ill health for the past four years.

The House of Representatives today voted down by 102 yeas to 92 nays an amendment proposed to the administration child labor bill which would have made the limit of hours ten hours a day, and 54 per week instead of nine per day and 51 per week. The bill was amended in a number of minor details and passed second reading.

GREAT CROWD AT OPTION HEARING HOLD BIG MEETING THERE

Temperance Forces Throng Capitol and Overflow Into Capitol Park Their Songs and Cheers Resound Through Statehouse as Argument Proceeds

The greatest crowd ever gathered for a legislative hearing packed the hall of the House of Representatives, crowded the corridors leading to the legislative chambers and overflowed into the park surrounding the State Capitol for the hearing accorded by the House law and order committee on the Williams bill this afternoon.

Hours before the hearing began all the room was taken up and the sergeant-at-arms was compelled to take the official march to open a way through the crowd for committee.

The statements of the congressman caused some outbursts by his friends and the local element laughed at others until Dr. Barchfield said with considerable feeling: "This is the same kind of a gathering that so-called sore-eyed women to be burned at the stake 200 years ago. I am an American, a son of Pennsylvania, proud of my birthright and I will not be speechless."

Liquor Delegates Bring Long Petition to City

The liquor people of the State sent large delegations here to-day. Each liquor delegate wore a small American flag on his coat lapel. They brought with them a largely signed petition, wound on a reel and they placed on view, with an appropriate banner, as the local option hosts passed by.

Italian Steamer Sunk Off Coast of Spain

Genoa, April 5, 9:35 P. M., via Paris, April 6, 1:30 P. M.—Additional reports received here regarding the sinking by a German submarine of the Italian steamer Luigi Parodi indicate that she was torpedoed near the Spanish coast.

Another British Steamer Is Sunk by Submarine

London, April 6, 11:21 A. M.—The British steamer Northland, of 2,000 tons, with a cargo of iron ore, was sent to the bottom by a German submarine in the English Channel off Beachy Head on Monday morning.

GERMAN SUBMARINES ARE STRIKING EFFECTIVELY AT BRITISH MERCHANT SHIPS

Italian Steamer Sent to Bottom Last Night and Another Is Believed to Have Met Similar Fate; One Undersea Vessel Caught in Net Near Dover, According to Dunkirk Dispatch; Further Fighting in Africa

Germany's new and powerful submarines are striking effectively at British shipping to-day's dispatches report the sinking of two more vessels. The British steamer Northlands and the trawler Agatha were torpedoed near the English coast. The crews were rescued.

New French Gunpowder Doubles Explosive Force

Paris, April 6.—The Army Bulletin to-day makes the first official reference to the new powder which has been talked about mysteriously for months.

Alcohol Barred in King's Households After Today

London, April 6.—Teetotalism will be enforced in all the king's households beginning Wednesday. An official announcement just issued, dated April 6, says:

INDIANAPOLIS POLITICIANS GUILTY

Indianapolis, April 6.—All of the twenty-seven defendants, including Mayor Donn M. Roberts, in the Terre Haute election fraud case, were found guilty by a jury to-day.

NUNS DRIVEN FROM MEXICO

New York, April 6.—Six Spanish nuns, who said they were driven from a convent near Vera Cruz by Carranza troops who besieged the convent six days and threatened their lives, reached New York to-day aboard a Spanish steamer.

GERMANY PROTESTS TO UNITED STATES

Washington, April 6.—Germany has protested to the United States against the detention of the Hamburg American liner Odenwald at San Juan, Porto Rico, under the neutrality regulations.

TROOPS OCCUPY WARBAD

Capetown, Union of South Africa, April 6, via London, 5:25 P. M.—Troops of the Union of South Africa have occupied Warbad, a town in German South West Africa, 20 miles north of the Orange river, without opposition.

TREASURY BILLS OVERSUBSCRIBED

London, April 6.—Six months treasury bills to the amount of £15,000,000 were offered to-day and were oversubscribed. The bills were issued to replace a similar amount due soon.

WARSHIPS BOMBARD FORTS

London, April 6, 5:42 P. M.—The Reuter Telegram Company has received a dispatch from its correspondent at Athens saying that British warships again bombarded the forts at the entrance to the gulf of Smyrna, Monday, according to the report of the captain of the Greek steamer Arcadia.

MARRIAGE LICENCES

Lewis Donalcmack, Wilconaco, and Anna Garbage, Newark, N. J.