NEWS OF THE LEGISLATURE

MILITARY WORK FOR ALL PUPILS

Senator Snyder Introduces Measure Looking to Drafting of a State Bill

In the Senate last evening a joint resolution was offered by Senator Charles A. Snyder, providing for the appointment of a committee of five Senators and seven Representatives to prepare and draft a bill for presentation to the Legislature providing for military training in the State. Senator Snyder announced the purpose of the resolution to be the gathering of information that will enable the assembly to enact the very best law possible on the subject. He offered the resolutions at this time so that the proper thought and attention could be given the measure to be enacted.

The resolution passed by the House pledging the loyalty of the Pennsylvania Legislature to the President in his policy against the German government on the high seas were received in the Senate. Criticism of United States Senators was cut out of the resolution in the judiciary special committee to which it was referred. Opposition to any change in the text was made and by a vote of 25 to 12 the friends of the resolution as it came from the House lost their battle to put it through the upper branch as passed by the House. Senator McNichol was the prime mover in having the resolution referred to committee.

When Senator Leiby presented a resolution calling for information as to employes of Senate and House with the purpose of cutting down the payroll, Senator Crow was outspoken in his opposition. Mr. Eyre wanted the resolution referred to the committee on appropriations. Mr. Crow wanted a vote taken at once. He could not see, he said, why the Economy and Efficiency Commission should interfere with the prerogatives of the Senate; that the body was well qualified to regulate its own affairs and designate the number of its employes. Senator Charles A. Snyder didn't believe it would work any harm to have the resolution go to committee. The resolution was killed. Senator Leiby called for a yea and nay vote, but Senator Beidleman rose to a point of order, stating that a roll call could not be taken after the chair had announced his decision of the viva voce vote, which was unmistakably against the purpose of the resolution.

Senator J. Frank Graff, of Armstrong county, last night introduced an anti-treating bill. In presenting the measure he prefaced the introduction with statements that the provisions of the bill sought to do away with the school in which the drink habit is formed. The bill makes it unlawful for any holder of license to give or permit to be given any person or persons on his premises liquor he or they have not paid for. It further stipulates that liquor not paid shall not be drunk on his premises, but makes exception in the case of the adult wife, daughter, or sister of the person who buys the drink. It is also made unlawful for any persons to importune or induce or attempt to induce a person to furnish or give liquor. The penalty for violation of the act is $500 fine or imprisonment or both, at the discretion of the court.

Senator Lynch introduced a bill making the act fixing the fees and compensation to be received by constables for visiting places where liquors are sold or kept apply to cities of the second class. The act now affects constables of townships, boroughs and cities of the third class. Constables get 25 cents for each place visited in his jurisdiction and 6 cents for each and every mile actually traveled in making such visits.

A bill introduced by Mr. Whitten empowers any corporation, society or voluntary corporation carried on for the sole benefit of its members and not for profit to change the location of its principal office or place of business to any other place within the commonwealth upon petition to the court of the county where the principal office is located. Notice is to be filed in the office of the insurance commissioner ten days before the change shall take effect.

Senator Catlin read in place a bill making it lawful for amusement companies incorporated under the laws of another state to erect and maintain buildings such as theaters, moving picture houses, operahouses and other places of amusement and to have and hold real estate to an amount necessary and proper for corporate purposes. The companies are to pay taxes and make returns to the auditor general the same as similar companies in the state.

French Army Elated at Success of Great Drive Against Teutons

By Associated Press

Paris, March 20.—The latest news from the front accentuates the feeling of optimism in military circles here and convinces the critics that the Germans are now engaged in a most difficult and dangerous operation in view of the large front involved. According to the hitherto accepted theory to effect such a movement with any safety it was necessary that a distance equal to a two days' march should be maintained between the pursuing and retreating forces. Under the present circumstances both armies are in close contact.

The Germans are carrying out their retirement under the cover of small but picked rear guards, sometimes entirely composed of officers and noncommissioned officers, which make counterattacks when the pursuers press too closely on their heels. The weather, which continues clear, is in favor of the advancing allies. French military critics maintain that it is more and more unlikely that the Germans can reach the Lille-La-Fere line without mishap. It is assumed that they propose to convert this line, which was their former base, into their principal position and remove their base seventeen miles to the rear on a line running from Valenciennes to Laon. It is asserted that from any point of view the Germans are facing an aggravation of an already difficult position and confront even less favorable fighting conditions in the immediate future.

Russians to Build Great Railway System

By Associated Press

Washington, March 20.—Extensive railway construction in Russia during the next ten years aggregating almost sixty thousand miles, recommended by a special commission, has been approved by the Russian Council of Ministers. A report to the Department of Commerce says about $300,000,000 will be the cost of fifty-one projected lines, aggregating 20,779 miles, recommended for construction during the period of 1917-1922. It is recommended that other lines totaling thirty thousand miles be built between 1922 and 1927.

The objects sought by the commission are to connect new trade centers with the interior markets for the purpose of cheap exchanges, and creation of new systems as means of access to districts abounding in natural resources.

GIRL TO LOSE ARM FROM SHOOTING ACCIDENT

Lewistown, Pa., March 20. — Miss Lillian Huffnagle, 19 years old, was found unconscious in the kitchen of her home here yesterday with her left forearm shattered by a bullet and a revolver at her side. She says she heard some person trying to force an entrance to the house, and when she went to the door the pistol was accidentally discharegd. Amputation will be necessary.

MINES WANT MORE PAY

By Associated Press

Columbus, Ohio, March 20.—Coal operators of Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Illinois, are meeting here to-day to pass on the recent request of Ohio United Mine Workers for increased wages. The Ohio operators decline to consider the request until the matter is presented to the operators of the other States, as the mine workers now are employed under a four-State agreement.

REFUSE LICENSE

Easton, Pa., March 20.—Judges Stewart and McKean, in Northampton county license court here, yesterday refused a retail license to Herman R. Kurtz for the new theater and restaurant building being built in Broad street, Bethlehem. Dallet H. Wilson, representing Kurtz, asserted that $78,000 had already been spent for the land and foundation work and that the proposition meant an outlay of $300,000.

HOUSE CLEARED OF VISITORS

Speaker Puts Rule Into Effect For the First Time in Years and People Kick

Members of the House of Representatives met last night with the floor of the House cleared of all persons not authorized to enjoy privileges for the first time in years. Speaker Baldwin put into operation the rule which permits only members, former members, officers and employes and authorized newspaper correspondents to be upon the floor, and the wives and friends of members had to go up into the gallery.

The chairs along the sides of the chamber, the famous "side lines," were all taken out and the pages' chairs were fastened together so that no one could move them about. It was the most businesslike appearance the House has had since the new Capitol was put into use and the splendid order maintained during the evening was much commented upon.

The Speaker decided upon this move last week when people swarmed on the floor during rollcalls and while there was some objection by members they acquiesced in the effort to get order. When the usual Monday night throng appeared the sergeants-at-arms were at the doors and no one got in who was not authorized. Storms of wrath beat about the doors and while a few persons got into the chamber on pleas which sounded good they were stopped by the brass railing and found themselves lonely. Some of the lobbyists held indignation meetings and quite a few prominent folks had to cool their heels in the anterooms and lobbies. For some reason or other there was antipathy to going into the gallery. It was the only place from which to view the proceedings.

The floor of the Senate was also kept clear last night and there were some tough times for persons who had been accustomed to parading over it. Even members of the House were required to tell why they appeared.

$3,000,000 Gift For Yale From Mrs. Harkness

New Haven, March 20.—The Yale Corporation at its monthly meeting yesterday received the largest building gift ever presented to the university in the offer by Mrs. Stephen V. Harkness of more than $3,000,000.

Dormitories are to be erected for the use of the students on the squares bounded by High, Liberty, Elm and York streets. This is to take the form of a quadrangle, in memory of Charles W. Harkness, son of Mrs. Harkness, of the class of 1883, who died May 1, 1916. Mr. Harkness in his will left $300,000 to Yale.

BANKER DIES A PAUPER

Bradford, Pa., March 20.—Charles D. Brower, 84 years old, who was a friend and fellow worker of John D. Archbold and other Standard Oil heads in the early days and who was a cashier in a bank in the oil fields of this State, died in the city poorhouse here yesterday. Drink was the cause of his downfall. He failed to take advantage of the opportunities offered and permitted himself to drift downward. Brower had been a city charge for some time.

FOOD RESCUED FROM RUINS

Sunbury, Pa., Mach 20.—Youngsters delving in the ruins of Shamokin's half million dollar fire ruins uncovered a grocery el dorado that helped their families combat old H. C. L. for a few days. Hundreds of cans of corn, peas, meats, etc., were found in the ruins, and unopposed by the owners, who had no use for them, the boys worked like beavers and carried away the whole stock. It was said that the contents in most cases were in good shape.

LENTEN SERVICE

A Lenten service will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Irwin, 206 Cumberland Road, Enola, this evening at 8 o'clock. The Rev. Floyd Appleton, rector of St. Paul's church, will officiate and preach. At the special Lenten service at St. Paul's church, Second and Emerald streets, Wednesday at 8 o'clock, the preacher will be the Venerable F. T. Eastment, rector of St. Paul's, Philipsburg, and archdeacon of Altoona.

WARDEN FORCES FIGURE IN BILL

Mr. Phillips Has Some Measures Which Will Hardly Go Very Far This Year

Bills which would consolidate the State game and fish warden forces were introduced into the House last night by Mr. Phillips, Clearfield. One bill abolishes the game protectors and establishes the office of chief game protector, who shall be secretary of the game commission and direct the new force.

The companion bill provides for the Game Commission to name 50 game and fish wardens and the Fisheries Commission ten. One of the latter is to be chief fish warden. The men are to be under joint control and are to be paid $100 per month. An appropriation of $175,000 is made from hunters' license revenue. The act states that special wardens and deputy protectors are not to be affected. The acts are likely to be hard fought as the Commissioner does not favor that plan.

A joint resolution for a commission of seven, including the secretaries of the Board of Charities and Board of Education, to study the situation relative to dependent, defective, deliquent, neglected, incorrigible and illegitimate children was presented by Mr. Reynolds, Philadelphia. The commission is to be named by the Governor and is charged with the duty of drawing up a code for the next Legislature. An appropriation of $5,000 is provided.

The "Blue Sky" Bill

Mr. Mearkle, Allegheny, introduced the State Insurance Department bill regulating incorporation of mutual insurance companies and licensure of companies from other States. It gives the Insurance Commissioner the same authority over mutual and fraternal concerns as he has over other companies. This bill is known as the "Blue Sky" bill and would prevent insurance scandals such as occurred last year.

A bill to permit fox hunting in York county was introduced by Mr. Spangler, York. It is similar to that passed several years ago to allow fox hunting in Delaware county, and was accompanied by numerously signed petitions. The bill forbids shooting, trapping, snaring or poisoning foxes except if foxes are caught destroying property they may be shot.

Mr. Baldridge, Allegheny, introduced a bill to repeal the act of June 1, 1915, relatives to redemption of borough bonds.

Other bills presented were:

Mr. Swartz's Bills

Mr. Swartz, Dauphin—Making it optional with Commissioner of Banking to institute proceedings for embezzlement, etc.; providing for five additional bank examiners; providing for retirement of official court stenographers; authorizing James L. Bake and his wife, Harrisburg, to sue the State for damages for injuries received on a State highway.

Mr. Drake, Greene—Providing a substitute for writs of summons; requiring assessors to return actual value of properties in counties having between 20,000 and 50,000 population.

Mr. Stoffiet, Northampton—Making it a misdmeanor punishable by $50 fine or 60 days in jail for a minor to attempt to procure intoxicating liquors; taking away insanity as a defense in murder cases; increasing penalty for fornication from $100 to $1,000, or not over three years in prison; permitting employes under the compensation act to select their own physicians or surgeons.

Mr. Hough, Allegheny—Prohibiting handling or driving horse by intoxicated persons.

New Bridge Bills

Mr. Sampsell, Snyder—Appropriating $200,000 for the State Highway Department to build a bridge across the Susquehanna between Herndon and Port Treverton.

Mr. Stern, Philadelphia—Providing that places used for illicit sale or manufacture of liquors may be declared nuisances.

Mr. Conner, Philadelphia—Constituting the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings a commission to act with a commission from New Jersey for construction of a bridge or tunnel between Philadelphia and Camden.

Mr. Morgan, Luzerne—Providing for payment of costs by counties where indictment has been quashed.

Mr. Walker, Philadelphia—Appropriating $190,000 to Philadelphia museums.

Mr. McKay, Luzerne — Compelling constables and police officers to arrest on view without warrant persons violating State laws.

Mr. Campbell, Philadelphia—Regulating drug standards; providing for credit in pharmaceutical examinations for service in dispensaries.

Bill No. 1,000

Mr. Canon, Mercer, presented bill No. 1,000. It provides for a refund of moneys erroneously paid.

Other bills introduced were:

Mr. Glass, Philadelphia—Authorizing the Governor to fill vacancies occurring in boards of county commissioners having between 250,000 and 300,000 population.

Mr. Spangler, York—Amending third class city bond issuing act so that bonds shall mature within thirty years and regulating payment in "substantially equal annual instalments;" repealing act of June 7, 1907, relative to certain proceedings in equity.

Mr. Jones, Lackawanna—Appropriating $150,000 for the Department of Health to disburse for the protection of health and property "likely to be affected by mine fires."

Mr. Wallace, Lawrence—Providing that residence of one year in Pennsylvania shall be required for appointment as notary public.

Prayer For Nation

Rabbi L. J. Haas, of Harrisburg, who offered the prayer at the opening of the House, prayed for divine guidance to the President in the international crisis and that the country should be protected from all enemies.

The "sales in bulk" bill, defeated last week and reconsidered, was passed 166 to 15, after a debate.

The House also debated the Simpson bill to allow county contracts involvin g less than $500 to be let without advertisement and postponed it after voting down a motion to recommit.

The Franklin bill amending the first class city milk law was passed finally.

The House passed finally the bill increasing salaries of deputy quarantine physicians at Philadelphia from $2,000 to $3,000.

The military code and McVicar jury drawing bills came out of committees.

The Snyder resolution for a commission to draft the military training bill was concurred in.

The bill extending the authority of the Philadelphia Department of Public Works over areas within three miles of boundaries was recommitted.

The House adjourned at 10.50.

PERFECT SCHOOL RECORDS

Blain, Pa., March 20.—Pupils of the High school who attended every day of the fifth month: Dobbs Ehlman, Ruth Hench, Arthur Coller, Loy Shumaker, Edith McVey, James Shumaker, Pauline Johnston, Jesse Snyder, Lou Snyder, Sarah Smith, Sarah Shumaker, Nellie Smith, Verda Pryor, Mary Mumper and Florence Gutshall.

Those who attended every day of the term: Edith McVey, Jesse Snyder, Nellie Smith, Mabel Anderson, Lou Snyder, Verda Pryor and Florence Gutshall. Average attendance, males, 12; females, 12. Per cent. of attendance, males, 96; females, 97.

17 TRESPASS CASES LISTED

Suits to Be Heard at April Special Session of Common Pleas Court

Seventeen suits are set down for trial at the April special session of Common Pleas court, beginning Monday, April 9. The trial list as compiled by Prothonotary Henry F. Holler, follows:

Samuel W. Fitzgerald vs. John Black, appeal by defendant; Fred C. Miller, admr., vs. Amos L. Gautt, assumpsit; Baker Vawter Co. ve. Williamstown Gas Company, appeal by defendant; Herman Wilensky vs. Sarah Brenner, trespass; Norman Minnich vs. Jesse L. Lenker, trespass; A. Mayers vs. Howard Speese, trespass; John Minsker vs. A. C. Buch, trespass.

Cora Maugan vs. Valley Railways, trespass; Helen Yontz vs. E. C. Snyder, trespass; Bell Realty Company vs. Charles H. Miller, appeal by defendant; V. W. Kenney vs. Pennsylvania Railroad Company, trespass; Normandie Company vs. Enrico Galdino, assumpsit; Jesse F. Watt, et. al. vs. Nathaniel Lerch, trespass; Frederick Gentslider vs. Harrisburg Railways Company, trespass; George H. Reed vs. Emma D. Hoffman, et. al., sci. fa. sur. Mech. Lien; Harvey O. Miller vs. Daniel Porter, appeal by defendant; Mary Mertic vs. Pennsylvania Steel Company, trespass; Annie Bordner vs. George Paulus, trespass.

Samuel S. Habbyshaw vs. Frank B. Musser, trespass; Emma Habbyshaw, et. al., vs. Frank B. Musser, trespass; Alice Garrett vs. Frank B. Musser, trespass; Walter S. Schell vs. Jacob D. Brenneman, issue; Ovid R. Gervin vs. Joseph L. Shearer, Jr., trespass; Spencer Gilbert et. al., vs. Athens George, appeal by defendant; Mutual Live Stock Insurance Company vs. Clinton Jones, appeal by defendant; George P. Cooper, vs. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, issue; Mary C. Meyers vs. Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, trespass; Mary C. Meyers vs. Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, trespass; Capitol Hardware and Supply Company, Inc. vs. Springfield Fire and Marine Insurance Company, assumpsit; Penbrook National Bank vs. Norman S. Koons, appeal by defendant.

Grant Dissolution Decree. — The court yesterday granted a decree of dissolution of the People's Ice Company, this city, organized June 11, 1901. Majority interest in the company is held by the United Ice and Coal Company.

Submit Bridge Views.—Viewers' reports on the need of the proposed bridges at Linesville over the Swatara creek, at Killinger over the Little Wiconisco creek and in South Hanover township over Manada creek were filed in court and are to be submitted to the grand jury.

May Get New Trial.—A court ruling on Saturday gives Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Albright ten days to show cause why the motion of the Harrisburg Railways Company for a new trial should not be reinstated and judgment opened again in the case. Mr. and Mrs. Albright recently were awarded damages in a trespass suit against the trolley company.

Hear Transfer Application. — The court yesterday heard witnesses in the petition of Thomas Kerstetter, of Sunbury, for the transfer of the liquor license o fthe St. Lawrence Hotel, eBrrysburg, now held by William H. Bowman. Mr. Kerstetter intends to take charge of the hotel and leave Sunbury. The transfer was granted.

Settle Rush Township Dispute.—By confirmation of the viewers' report deciding the boundary lines between Rush and East Hanover townships it is believed that the court has ended the dispute between supervisors of the two districts. The case has been pending for more tha na year, the viewers finally deciding that the old lines between the townships are valid and should not be changed.

Grant Time Extension. — Viewers on grading of Front and Second streets, this city, for subways, and the vacating of a number of streets caused by the erection of the Pennsylvania freight station were given until June 11 to file their reports.

Sues for $2,000.—Alleging her daughter, Grace, was seriously injured in an auto accident at Front and Lincoln streets, Steelton, Mrs. Sadie Buttorff has brought suit against Earl Brubaker for $2,000 damages. Brubaker was driving the machine, it is claimed.

Want Road Changed.—An application has been made to have viewers report on the need of improving the public road from Waggoner's Fording to Palmyra, as part of the highway has caved in.

WILLIAM SCOTT BURIED

Mechanicsburg, Pa., March 20. — Funeral services were held this afternoon for William Scott, colored, who died after a short illness of pneumonia. He was a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Church. Burial was made in Lincoln Cemetery, Chestnut Hill.

LEG OF TRUCKER BROKEN

William Scott, 1202 North Twelfth street, a trucker at the Division street transfer station of the Pennsylvania Railroad, suffered a broken leg yesterday afternoon when he was struck by a piece of iron.

SPECIAL GOSPEL MEETINGS

Special gospel meetings are being held nightly this week at Gospel Hall, 1114 Capital street, by S. C. Keller, of Camp Hill.

CARLISLE ELKS' ANNUAL FROLIC

Play Written by Leo McDonald Deals With Shakespeare in Musical Comedy

Carlisle, Pa., March 20. — With visitors here from all parts of the section, the first performance of the Sixth Annual Frolic of the Carlisle Elks was held here last evening. To-night a big delegation of men from Harrisburg will be here with others from Lancaster, York, Frederick, Md., Chambersburg and Loysville.

The play this year was written by Leo McDonald and the performance was viewed by several New York men, with the idea of securing exclusive rights. It deals with a supposed venture by William Shakespeare into the fields of musical comedy composition. Many of the leaders in the cast have played for several years in the shows and were among those who appeared in special performances at Harrisburg. Included are Lewis Weidman, J. Levingston Hitchens, C. H. Humrich, Leo Faller, D. E. Rorer, George Ritter, W. A. Adams and others.

HIGH PRICES FOR FARM STOCK

Blain, Pa., March 20.—Record prices were received for farm stock at the public sale held by Gruver Weibley in Madison township, on Friday. Gross receipts were between $2,500 and $3,000. Cows brought exceptionally high prices, four of the best sold for $122.50, $119, $102 and $100, and the rest $85 and $90. Six horses were sold which brought from $120 to $223. Hogs sold from 10 to 16 cents per pound. Corn, oats and wheat is selling for more than market prices at the public sales in this section.

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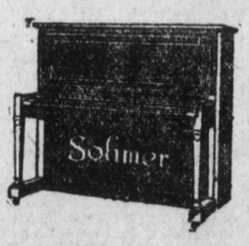

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