

LEGISLATURE NEWS

WAR BILL MUST GO OVER A WEEK

Governor and Senators Fail to Agree Regarding Handing of Funds

Governor Brumbaugh and the leaders of the Senate failed to agree last night as to the method of disbursing the \$2,000,000 war appropriation proposed in the Woodard bill and it and the proposed bond issue bill were laid over until next week.

The Governor last night went to the Capitol and sent for Senators McNichol, Crow, Sprout and Snyder. It was McNichol's first visit in over a year and there was plain talking.

The Governor said that the meeting was harmonious and that all agreed that the State should not only provide an appropriation if needed but that it should issue bonds if emergency arose.

The upshot of the whole discussion was that the matter went over until next week and the bond issue along with it. The amount of the bonds and other details will be considered at that time.

The \$2,000,000 bill was presented at the request of the committee of public safety to advance its work.

Ex-Members Here.—Ex-Representatives McCullough, Allegheny, and Shannon, Luzerne, were House visitors.

Home From Florida.—Dr. J. George Becht, secretary of the State Board of Education, is home from a trip to Florida. He visited Miami.

Boards to Meet.—The State Industrial and Compensation Boards will hold their monthly meetings here tomorrow.

General Clement Here.—General Charles M. Clement, commander of the National Guard division, was among visitors to the Capitol yesterday.

STATE IN HEALTH BUSINESS NEXT

Outline of the Bill For General Insurance Presented to the Legislature

Considerable attention has been attracted among the members by the bill presented by Representative J. J. Dean, of Lawrence, to establish a system of health insurance in Pennsylvania. It contemplates State participation and was prepared after four years of investigation and study under the direction of the American Association for Labor Legislation co-operating with the American Medical Association and representatives of labor and industry.

The bill provides compensation for losses due to sickness to all manual workers and all others earning less than \$100 per month. It covers any sickness or accident not within the scope of the workmen's compensation act. Benefits include medical, surgical and nursing attendance; medical and surgical supplies; maternity benefits for childbirth; cash benefits for a maximum of twenty-six weeks in a year, and a limited funeral benefit.

The State is to assume one-fifth of the cost of insurance; two-fifths is to be paid by employers and the remaining two-fifths by employees. Local mutual health funds are created for the administration of these benefits and are to be under the joint control of the employers and the insured employees.

A statement issued in behalf of the bill says: "Three million persons in the United States are ill at any one time. Many of our 30,000,000 wage-earners lose on an average approximately nine days yearly from sickness. The annual wage loss resulting from sickness reaches the staggering total of \$500,000,000. The death rate is twice as high among industrial workers as among the professional classes, showing that industrial conditions are frequently the cause of sickness and death. An investigation shows that 25 per cent. of the population cannot afford to engage a private physician.

In a single State last year, working men and women paid more than \$29,000,000 to insurance companies for industrial insurance, and the benefits received amounted practically to mere burial benefits. Under the plan of universal health insurance these people would have received, without any greater expense to them, not only burial insurance but also medical, nursing and hospital care, and in addition, two-thirds of their wages during their sickness.

When Governor McCall made compulsory health insurance the leading recommendation in his message to the Massachusetts Legislature, he gave prominence to the fact that this form of insurance has had a long and thorough test in no less than ten European countries, and has, without a single exception, resulted not only in the improvement of public health, but also in great economic saving and increased industrial efficiency.

During 1916 two States—Massachusetts and California—had social insurance commissions investigating health insurance. Both of these State commissions have given official endorsement to the health insurance movement.

STATE TO FIGHT THE WHEAT PESTS

Important Work Undertaken by the Department of Agriculture This Spring

One of the most extensive projects planned by the Department of Agriculture for the coming season will be control investigations to discover safe planting dates for wheat in the several zones of the State in order to avoid damage to the crop by the Hessian fly.

Hundreds of thousands of dollars' worth of wheat is damaged each season in various sections of the State through the ravages of the Hessian fly and while farmers in general have been advised by the Department of Agriculture to plant wheat in the fall, no detailed study of the fly has been made.

The work will be under the supervision of Zoologist J. G. Sanders, whose plans for control work in farm, truck and orchard crops promise to be the means whereby great savings in all crops can be effected on the farms and in the orchards of the State.

It will be the effort of Zoologist Sanders and the experts under him to determine the "fly-free" or safe planting dates in the several sections of the State. They will study the life history of the insect, the safe planting dates for the adult flies through close study of the life history, in the several latitudes and longitudes of the State and will determine the safe planting dates for the adult flies through close study of the life history, in the several latitudes and longitudes of the State and will determine the safe planting dates for the adult flies through close study of the life history, in the several latitudes and longitudes of the State.

The work will consist of careful study of the life history of the Hessian fly from egg to adult, occurring each year, and by careful observation of the fall emergence of flies and the period of egg laying, the dates in the several sections of the State after which wheat may be planted with safety will be determined. The control work will extend over a period of three or four years and will be conducted in connection with other investigations of field and grain-infecting insects.

Special apparatus will be secured for the work and it is hoped to have farmers extend their co-operation by conducting experimental planting. Experts of the United States Department of Agriculture have already signified their intention to assist Zoologist Sanders with this work in Pennsylvania, which ranked third, among the wheat producing States during the past year.

MANY INTERESTED IN MILITARY CAMPS

Local Men Display Enthusiasm at Meeting Addressed by Plattsburg Boosters

Interest in the Plattsburg training camps received a new impetus last evening when forty or more men of various ages met in the Board of Trade and heard the proposed plans for this year's camps discussed by Merrill E. Gates, Jr., field secretary for the Military Training Camps Association and by several members of the local recruitment committee.

Mr. Gates, who is the son of former president of Amherst College, came to Harrisburg for the express purpose of inaugurating a recruiting campaign for the summer camps which it is understood will be held unless unforeseen circumstances prevent. The field secretary seemed very much gratified at the progress that had already been made in the way of organization locally, and made a number of valuable suggestions which will be adopted as the work advances.

Plattsburgers Speaking.—Among the men who attended the previous camps, John M. Smith, of Linglestown, spoke very feelingly of the necessity for the care of the feet, one of the first things a soldier must learn, and E. J. Stackpole, Jr., of Coyle J. Kennedy, of Chambersburg, and others told of their experiences as special orderlies in the camps.

Application forms and informative pamphlets are now obtainable at the HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH. Members of the recruiting committee are prepared to give what information they have at hand to any who are interested.

Lecturer of Wide Reputation to Speak at Commencement Exercises of the Academy

Arthur E. Brown, headmaster of the Harrisburg Academy, announced this morning Charles Edward Jefferson, a prominent New York preacher and lecturer of national reputation, would be the speaker at the commencement exercises. The commencement exercises will be held at the Orpheum theater on Thursday morning, June 10.

Mr. Jefferson, an American Congregational clergyman, was born at Cambridge, O. He graduated from Oberlin Wesleyan University in 1882 and from the theological department of Boston University in 1887. In 1882-84 he was superintendent of public schools at Worthington, Ohio. Ordained to the Congregational ministry in 1887, he was pastor at Chelsea, Mass., until 1893, and thereafter occupied the pulpit of the Broadway Tabernacle, New York City. In 1914 he became chairman of the executive committee of the Church Peace Union, endowed by Andrew Carnegie. He is author of "Quiet Hints to Growing Preachers in My Study" (1891); "Quiet Talks With Earnest People in My Study" (1898); "Doctrine and Deed" (1902); "Things Fundamental" (1903); "The Minister as Prophet" (1905); "Faith and Life" (1905); "The New Crusade" (1907); "The Character of Jesus" (1908); "My Father's Business" (1909); "The Christmas Builders" (1909); "The Building of the Church" (1910-13); "Why We May Believe in Life After Death" (1911); "The Minister as Shepherd" (1912).

Senate Galleries Are Closed to Chance Visitors

Washington, April 4.—The Senate galleries, by order of the rules committee to-day were barred to visitors, except those holding special reserved cards from senators. No reason is given for the action, but it is believed to have been due to Monday's demonstration when Vice-President Marshall threatened to clear the galleries if a similar outbreak occurred. From time immemorial two of the Senate's galleries have been open to the public.

GERMAN WORKERS STRIKE

Copenhagen, April 4.—The Berlin Tageblatt says labor difficulties have broken out in the big Vulcan Shipbuilding Works at Hamburg. The workmen demand a one-third increase in their wages. The Vulcan works are where most of Germany's great ocean liners have been built.

U. S. NAVAL CLERKS

Washington, April 4.—In anticipation of a vast war demand for additional government clerks and other employees, President Wilson by executive order has authorized the civil service commission to fill vacancies for which no suitable eligible exists with persons who have been subjected only to noncompetitive tests.

STEEL RECORDS BROKEN

Pittsburgh, April 4.—The world's steel production record for 14 furnaces was broken during the month of March by the Homestead plant of the Carnegie Steel Company which produced 84,472 tons of steel. This surpasses the record in one month by more than 2,000 tons.

WINTER AND SPRING TONIC

Winter is a hard season for those who have no stored up reserve of strength. The coming of trying spring weather means sickness for many because debility robs the system of its power to resist itself. One person may suffer exposure to cold and wet without any ill effects while another whose blood is thin and whose nerves are run-down will be confined to bed after sitting in a draught. Keeping the blood built up is the secret of keeping well in winter and spring. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are the best and most convenient tonic for the blood. Put up with complete directions for use they are a family remedy that can be depended upon in conditions of thin blood, debility and many common forms of weakness. The blood goes to practically every part of the body and if it is rich and red it carries health and strength to every organ. The digestion is toned up, the nerves are strengthened and aching muscles are made strong. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are especially useful for run-down women who worry about their hair, face and dress. A few weeks' treatment has in hundreds of such cases brought the most remarkable improvement.

STATE SAYS GEESE ARE PROFITABLE

Interesting Bulletin Put Out by the State Department of Agriculture

The State Department of Agriculture is urging farmers to give attention to raising geese, which it says form a profitable poultry crop. Geese are said to have almost no diseases and are easy to raise.

There has been a decrease of almost two per cent. in the number of farmers employing female household help during the past year on account of the inability to secure farm labor, according to the Department bulletin.

It is estimated that sixteen per cent. of the farmers of the State have stored ice during the winter for use this summer. Reports of serious injury to the peach buds in the northern and central sections of the State have reached the Department of Agriculture.

Dogs which have been a menace to the sheep industry are now reported to be making raids on the poultry flocks of Blair county farmers. There has been a marked increase in the number of cattle being fed for beef purposes, the lack of farm labor turning many farmers to this method of agriculture.

Farm help is so scarce that Secretary of Agriculture Charles E. Patton has appealed to merchants and manufacturers to spare one or more men one day a week to help out in the agricultural districts of the State.

FREE SUPPER FOR POOR

Destitute mothers with their children will be guests at a free supper to be given Monday night by the Volunteers of America at the mission, 1001 North Third street. Tickets may be procured Thursday and Sunday evenings. Sunday night Dr. Burroughs, of Detroit, Mich., will be in charge of the services.

GERMANY NOT TO DECLARE WAR

To Continue Submarine Warfare Against the United States

Berlin, April 3.—Via London, April 4.—The press report of President Wilson's "state of war" message reached Berlin at 10 o'clock this morning. It is declared here that there would be no change in the German attitude even if Congress adopted President Wilson's views. Germany will not declare war nor take any step to wage war against the United States.

The submarine war will be continued as it has been conducted since February 1, but this, declare the officials, is not directed more against the United States than any other neutral. It also is declared that there will be no change in the treatment of American citizens in Germany, who now have the same freedom as all other neutrals. But Germany expects that the United States will continue the same treatment of Germans in that country.

News Items of Interest in Central Pennsylvania

Shenandoah.—Michael Wylonis, 41 years old, and Charles Kalads, 44 years, were seriously if not fatally burned in a gas explosion at William Penn colliery yesterday afternoon.

Bowmanstown.—Charles Rompey, a Lehigh Valley Railroad fireman, was instantly killed while looking out of the cab window when a passing freight hit him.

Hamburg.—Because of a shortage of yarn, due to the congested freight traffic, the Armada Knitting Mill has closed the knitting department.

Hazleton.—Several high school boys were rounded up here after a midnight search by their parents, who learned the lads had affixed their fathers' names to enlistment papers giving their consent for them to join the regular army.

Hazleton.—Counterfeit nickels flooded the towns in this region yesterday. Many merchants received coins which are made so well that they pass the usual tests.

Weatherly.—Because of the death of Peter Musselman who died at the age of 84 years, the case has been handed to Griffith Bachman, now the oldest resident of the town.

Mount Penn.—Edward L. Hess, 12, was drowned while rafting on a lake here. A companion, Raymond Moyer, 13, made a desperate effort to save him and nearly lost his own life.

Fritzton.—A new trolley line from Reading via Sinking Springs and this town to Ephrata, Lancaster county, is being laid out and may be constructed this summer.

Why eat potatoes? "At eight cents a pound the potato is a needless luxury," says the New York Board of Health. The potato is seventy-five per cent. water and the rest is mostly starch. It is a good food when eaten in combination with proteid foods—but not worth eight cents a pound. Cut out meat, eggs and high-priced vegetables and stick to cereals and fruits. Two Shredded Wheat Biscuits (cost two cents) with milk make a complete meal, supplying all the nutriment needed for a half day's work. For breakfast with hot milk; for dinner with sliced bananas or stewed prunes. Made at Niagara Falls, N. Y.

INEXPENSIVE EASTER GIFTS

Easter gift-giving grows in popularity each year. The exchange of small remembrances among loved ones has become quite a custom. Appropriate Easter gifts that will add to the joy of the season may be had here at trifling outlay.

CONFIRMATION GIFTS

- FOR THE BOY: A Watch—in nickel, silver, gold filled or solid gold. \$1 to \$25. Scarf Pins—gold filled and solid gold, plain and mounted. 75c to \$5. Cuff Links—silver, gold filled and solid gold. 75c to \$5.
- FOR THE GIRL: Bracelet Watches—nickel, silver, gold filled and solid gold. \$3 to \$40. Gold Crosses—with or without chains, filled and solid gold. 75c to \$10. Rosary Beads—assorted colored crystals. \$1.50 to \$5. La Tusca—the indestructible Pearls. \$1.50 to \$10.

DIAMONDS

The Most Appropriate Easter Gifts. Especially if it comes from the Tausig collection of these precious stones. In addition to the Easter special illustrated here, there are Rings, Brooches, Lavallieres, Ear Rings, Scarf Pins, Bracelets, Cuff Links, etc., etc., at any price you want to pay, from \$5 to \$500. Easter Special: 1/4 carat blue white perfect cut Diamond Ring, Tiffany or Becher setting—special for Easter. \$35.

VASES FOR THE EASTER FLOWERS

- Sterling Silver Bud Vases. \$1.50 to \$5.00.
- Cut Glass Flower Vases. \$1.50 to \$10.

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