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BOOZE LOBBY TRIES TO KILL PROHIBITION

Bills to Complicate Liquor Question Are Presented by Representative Ramsey

'SHOOTING AT THE STARS' So Says Vickerman, "Dry" Leader, Who Predicts Attempt Will Fail

Bills that can have no other effect except to complicate the liquor question are scheduled for introduction in the House possibly this week and likely by Representative William T. Ramsey, of Delaware county. The bills provide for the sale of beer and light wines. The alcoholic strength of the beer will be designed at five per cent, which provides considerably "kick" while the framers of the wine bill say it will contain 10 per cent of alcohol, which would effectually restore the "singling" feature to that fluid.

What is hard to understand in connection with the bills is that the license to sell the beer and light wines will be given under a law similar to that under which the national prohibition is given. That would be contradictory to national prohibition which specifically prohibits the manufacture and sale of liquors. How the State could pass a law that would be contrary to the national mandate is difficult to see but the liquor men say that they will be able to overcome this in the way they talk of the law and opinions and mysterious things yet to happen as substantiation for their activity.

Mr. Ramsey says that nothing will be done to throw the privilege to sell beer and wines wide open. He says that where no right to sell liquor was given to designated persons that every person would be selling it under the law that he hoped to see passed. Mr. Ramsey demurred strongly on that and declared that only those given the right to sell would be permitted to do so. He was then asked how any person could sell when the nation specifically prohibited that with the remark that beer and wines would not be intoxicating. The revenue service recognizes an intoxicating any beverage which is in it and so the ramifications of this proposed legislation, from a legal standpoint, begin to appear.

John W. Vickerman, leader of the dry forces in the General Assembly, professes not to take the proposed Ramsey bills seriously. He says that Congress will pass an enforcement act for national prohibition and that those acts will be the laws under which the several States will operate. A recent commission action in Pennsylvania for one-half of one per cent on liquor and beverages seems indicative of one trend of thought there and that the provisions of the proposed bills are not intended to act as a deterrent to the liquor forces claim that if the beer and wines that could be sold under the provisions of the proposed bills are not intoxicating, the liquor interests claim that no license is needed to sell them and the originally pointed returns—why could not every beer and light wine, sell these beers and light wines?

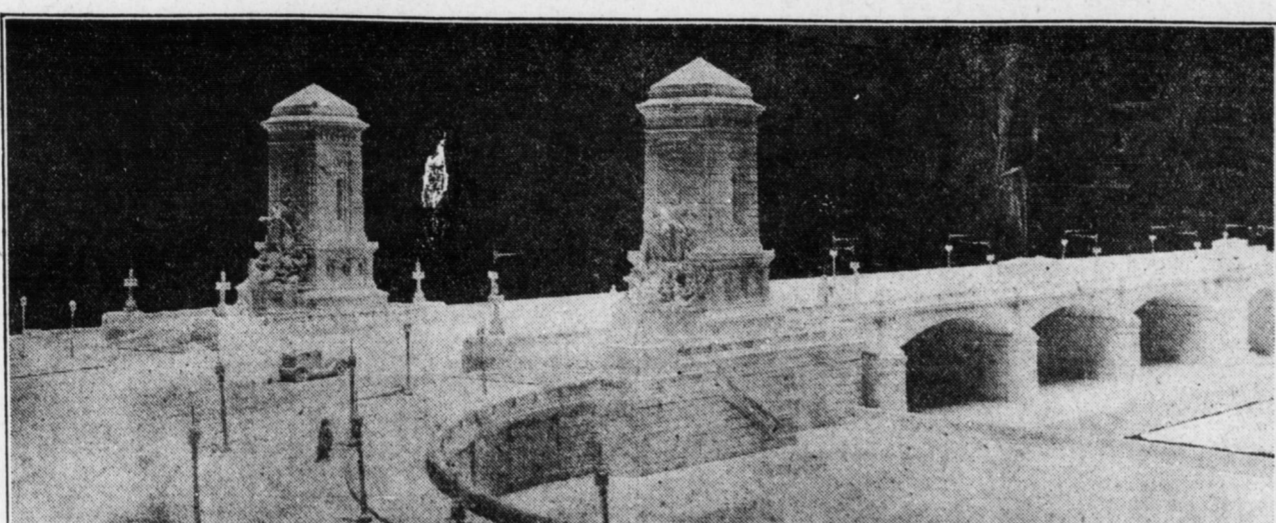
"Shooting at the Stars" Liquor men are shooting at the stars, said Representative Vickerman. "This proposition is a closed book and the manufacture and sale of liquor, from a licensed standpoint, is doomed. Those who break that law naturally will have to answer to Uncle Sam. Congress will enforce acts for prohibition in the near future and those acts will do not see how liquor men can figure where they can adopt laws in a few states that would be different from the general law on the subject adopted for the nation. They naturally are looking for a way out of prohibition but the amendment to the constitution has been effected by the people's votes and is the law of the land effective next January 16. War-time prohibition is due to start July 1. The wiser liquor men know that it is almost here because many of the breweries are beginning their plans to turn out other products. This agitation to destroy the effect of prohibition will likely last for a time but it will be without avail."

TO FILL RIVER BANK WITH CITY'S ASHES Beginning to-morrow teams used by the city to collect ashes will dump them along the river bank above Front street, officials said to-day. Waste paper and other rubbish will be gathered and burned after the ashes are unloaded it was explained so that the streets will not be littered with any refuse.

FAKE MAJOR ARRESTED Major (F) Taft, who in recent appearance here represented himself to be a returned aviator and who described vividly the fighting in France, was arrested at Haverhill yesterday, charged with being a deserter from the United States Army and never saw service overseas.

THE WEATHER For Harrisburg and vicinity: Cloudy and warmer to-night, with lowest temperature about 45 degrees, probably followed by rain early Wednesday morning and Wednesday afternoon, with temperature below freezing at night.

Entrance to State Street Bridge to Be Memorial of War



This etching is from an official photograph of the model of the memorial bridge to be erected over the railroad at State street by the state and the city jointly. The tower-like elevations at the top of the approach are the pylons in which will be placed, in bronze that will endure for all time, the names of all Pennsylvania soldiers, sailors and marines in the service during the Great War. The model, viewed from this angle, shows the type of construction to be used on the western approach. A detailed view of the side elevation is published elsewhere in the Telegraph to-day.

HARRISBURG IS READY TO CARRY OUT PARK WORK

Can Go Ahead at Once Widening Third Street, Commissioner Lynch Says

CITY IS NOT DELAYING Appropriation Made For Its Share of First Development Projects

"Harrisburg is ready to go ahead at once with the parts of the Capitol Park extension program the city is expected to complete," Commissioner W. H. Lynch, superintendent of the highway department, declared at the session of city council to-day after a letter had been read in which was included a resolution passed by the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, urging the city officials to co-operate in every way possible to bring about the completion of the park development.

"The State Superintendent of grounds and buildings never acknowledged the receipt of a letter and plans in which I said that we are ready to begin at any time to widen Third street and have the money appropriated to do the work," Mr. Lynch continued. "We will not delay any move on the part of the state to get this improvement finished, but it has been weeks now since the plans for the Third street work were submitted and no reply of any kind has been received. I do not want the city blamed for any delay, for the city is not causing it and will not. I feel sure the superintendent received our plans and letter because they have not been returned in the mail, but we have received no acknowledgment from him."

No Lack of Interest Commissioner E. Z. Gross corroborated Mr. Lynch in his statement that Harrisburg is ready to go ahead at once. "There is no lack of interest on the part of the city," he commented.

Petitions signed by 157 residents in the vicinity of Sixteenth and Elm streets, protesting against the sale of a small triangular plot at that intersection to a laundry company, and against the closing of Elm street from Sixteenth to Juniper, were presented for the residents by Commissioner Gross.

Building Permits Issued For Many New Dwellings

Building permits for construction work to cost more than \$27,000 have been issued to-day at the office of the Building Inspector James H. Grove, as follows: Secured investments, incorporated, six two-story frame and stucco houses, north side of Paxton street, between 17th and 18th streets, \$20,000; two-story frame, north side of Twenty-seventh, 160 feet south of Derry street, \$2,200; contractor for Louis B. Cohen, two-story brick, southeast corner Twenty-sixth and Derry, \$4,000; Mrs. Joseph Rudy, P. H. Hongardner, contractor, one-story brick garage rear of northwest corner Seventeenth and Swatara, \$400; Samuel H. Stormfels, Reuben Morrett, contractor, addition 1603 Derry, \$200; John Sansom, H. W. Black, contractor, one-story brick, rear 1355 Vernon, \$400.

29,932,328 PASSENGERS CARRIED IN YEAR ON CITY TROLLEY CARS

Harrisburg Railways Company Reports Net Income of Only \$12,721, Because of High Operating Costs; J. William Bowman Elected to Directing Board

The Harrisburg Railways Company carried 29,932,328 passengers during 1918, an increase of 1,450,165 over the year previous, according to the annual report of the corporation submitted to-day at the annual meeting of the stockholders. Despite this increase and an increased fare for part of the year the company's net income was only \$12,721 as compared with \$2,359 for 1917. J. William Bowman was elected to the board of directors, succeeding the late Charles A. Kunkel. Other directors elected are E. C. Felton, E. S. Herman and F. E. Musser. The board will meet next week for the election of officers.

No Dividend Declared With the low net income of the company for 1918—\$12,721—no dividends could be paid and the reports indicate, too, that if the operating expenses and wages at the beginning of the year had been as high as the expenses at the close, there would have been a deficit instead of a slight surplus. As it was, the company's non-operating income, the revenue received from investments in properties other than traction properties, saved the company from a deficit for the income from this source was \$22,068.42. Without the non-operating income there would have been a deficit of \$9,346.42.

Because of the scarcity of labor during the year, the report says that much work had to be put off and this necessarily will have to be done during the coming year or two along with the regular work. This will

Chamber of Commerce Backs Plans For Proposed Civic and State Work

The Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce in a resolution adopted by the board of directors last night called upon the Mayor and members of city council to co-operate with the state authorities in beginning as soon as possible the construction of needed public improvements, and thereby give employment to returned soldiers. A copy of the resolutions was sent to each member of city council.

Nearly \$1,500 Is Made For Children's Homes at Big Dance and Card Party

It is estimated that more than 2,000 people were present at the big benefit dance held in Chestnut Street Auditorium last night. Because the entire ticket sale result has not yet been totaled it was impossible to make an accurate statement of the grand total of moneys received, but Miss Helen Snodgrass, treasurer, said this morning the amount would probably be somewhere between \$1,000 and \$1,500. More than 2,000 tickets were sold for the benefit event by the co-operating organizations which gave the dance. These organizations were the Harrisburg Operatic Society, the local Council of Knights of Columbus and the employees of Bowman and Company. The proceeds will be turned over to the Sylvan Heights Orphanage, the Children's Industrial Home and the Day Nursery.

FALSE FIRE ALARM A false alarm of fire called the fire companies to Nineteenth and Derry streets, where Box 71 is located, at 10:30 o'clock this morning. The glass in the box was not broken, leading firemen to believe that the alarm was rung when a heavy jolt near the auxiliary box in the East End boiler works disturbed the mechanism.

HEROIC DEEDS OF HARRISBURG MEN ARE TOLD

Speaker at Chamber of Commerce Praises Work of Lewis Heck in Turkey

WAS THERE DURING WAR Has Since Been Honored by State Department Appointment

The silent but heroic achievements of a former Harrisburger whose deeds never were heralded at home during the war, was told by Charles Lyon Chandler, manager of the Foreign Trade Department of the Corn Exchange National Bank and former United States Ambassador, at the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce luncheon in the Penn-Harris hotel at noon to-day. This Harrisburger's name is Lewis Heck, formerly first Turkish secretary of the American embassy at Constantinople.

The luncheon was served cafeteria style, and the members helped themselves. [Continued on Page 9.]

Sec. Daniels Commends Harrisburg Man For His Work in Naval Hospital

Washington, March 4.—Secretary Daniels announced to-day he had commended 52 enlisted men of the navy who during the recent influenza epidemic voluntarily submitted to experiments at the naval hospital at Chelsea, Mass., to aid naval doctors in the attempt to determine the cause and method of transmission of the disease and a preventative. Among them were: John H. McAneny, 824 State street, New Haven, Conn.; Arthur R. Anderson, 359 Albany avenue, Hartford, Conn.; Joseph R. Bolduc, Lawrence, Mass.; Edward M. Gibson, East Dutton, Conn.; Charles Dolton, Providence, R. I.; Bertram Crist, Harrisburg, Pa.; James E. Felton, Cheims Ford, Mass.; John Nester, Philadelphia; Warren A. Hill, Jersey Shore, Pa.; John W. Vander Meer, Worcester, Mass.

FOCH TELLS HUN TO GIVE SHIPS

Copenhagen, March 4.—Marshal Foch demanded the immediate delivery of the German mercantile fleet without regard to the question of food supply, according to a dispatch from Wellington, where the German National Assembly is in session.

STATE OF SIEGE IS DECLARED IN BERLIN SUBURBS

Minister of War Noske Assumes Executive Powers in Crisis

Copenhagen, March 4.—The Prussian government has declared a state of siege in the police districts of Eppelau, Spandau and other suburbs of Berlin in order "to protect the bulk of the working people from famine and the terror of the minority." Minister of War Noske, a dispatch from Berlin says, has assumed executive powers.

Paris, March 4.—Bavarian troops opposed the Radical government in Munich are marching on that city, according to a dispatch from Zurich to the Petit Parisien. This announcement was made at the Soldiers and Workmen's Congress in Munich by Ministers Jaffe and Unterleiner. It was confirmed by several other dispatches. It is known that strong detachments of troops already have left Nuremberg. News of the reported advance on Munich caused the congress to adjourn at once.

FILIBUSTERING CONGRESS ENDS SESSION WITH WAR WORK YET TO BE DONE

SENATORS BLOCK PEACE PROGRAM, PRESIDENT SAYS

Wilson Issues Statement Asserting Presence Plainly Is Needed at Paris

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 4.—Upon the adjournment of Congress to-day with important legislation killed by a Republican Senate filibuster, President Wilson issued a statement declaring that "a group of men in the Senate have deliberately chosen to embarrass the administration of the government to imperil the financial interests of the railway systems of the country."

After Congress adjourned, President Wilson remained in his room twenty minutes, greeting visitors. It was announced he would make recess appointments at Hoboken to-night of nominees who failed of confirmation. Instead of going from the Capitol to his train, the President drove back to the White House for lunch. It was understood he would leave for New York before 2 p. m.

The President's statement follows: "The group of men in the Senate have deliberately chosen to embarrass the administration of the government, to imperil the financial interests of the railway systems of the country and to make arbitrary use of powers intended to be employed in the interest of the people."

"It is plainly my present duty to attend the Peace Conference in Paris. It is also my duty to be in close contact with the public business during a session of the Congress. I must make my choice between these two duties and I confidently hope that the people of the country will think that I am making the right choice."

"It is not in the interest of the right conduct of public affairs that I should call the Congress in special session while it is impossible for me to be in Washington because of a more pressing duty elsewhere, to cooperate with the Houses. "I take it for granted that the men who have obstructed and have prevented the passage of necessary legislation have taken all of this into consideration and are willing to assume the responsibility of the impaired efficiency of the government and the embarrassed finances of the country during the time of my enforced absence."

Walter Shaffer Flies Over City in Military Plane

Walter Shaffer, Dauphin aviator who served with the Lafayette Escadrille during the war, yesterday was a passenger in one of the flights of a Middletown government aeroplane. Lieutenant Fred Nelson was in charge of the aeroplane.

TWO STEELTON SOLDIERS WIN WAR CROSSES

Privates Thomas and Wrenn Cited For Bravery Under Fire

Two Steelton lads have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for bravery under fire, according to word just received here from France. Both enlisted in the old Eighth Regiment of the National Guard, and are widely known in Steelton and Harrisburg.

Private Roy H. Thomas and Private George G. Wrenn are the lads who have been commended for the bravery in action. Both are in the One Hundred and Twelfth Regiment of the Twenty-eighth Division, members of the Sanitary Detachment, Third Battalion. They are mentioned in their commander's commendation as having shown unusual heroism and devotion to duty at "Death Valley," southwest of St. Gilles, August 20 and 21. Private Wrenn was killed.

SLASHES WRISTS WHILE TEMPORARILY DERANGED Harry Sheaffer, 647 Woodbine street, is in the Harrisburg Hospital with a slash in each wrist, inflicted by himself during a temporary period of insanity. He is aged 50 years. It is the second case of the kind brought to the hospital in less than a week.

Democrats Helpless as Big Measures Are Let Slide Into Discard

PRESIDENT UNMOVED AS HIS RAILROAD BILL IS LEFT DIE

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 4.—Congress adjourned at noon to-day in the midst of a Republican filibuster in the Senate that killed a long list of important measures.

Among the bills that failed was one appropriating \$750,000,000 for the railroad administration, without which some administration leaders say the railroads must be returned to their owners before the middle of April.

There was no turning back of clocks. Democratic leaders realized the situation was hopeless, and the gavel ending the long, great war session and the Sixty-fifth Congress tapped at noon.

No Early Session Just before adjournment President Wilson in his capitol office authorized final notice to the Republicans that their efforts to force an immediate session had failed; that he was unshaken in his determination not to call Congress until his work at the Peace Conference was done.

Adjustment marks the passing of Democratic control at the capitol. The Congress that passed at noon began in April, 1917, passed the

German war declaration, and its almost continuous sessions have been marked by unprecedented legislation and controversy.

Big Bills Go Over Big bills that failed included both the army and navy appropriation measures. The only two important measures that ran the gamut of the last forty-eight hours of filibustering were the Victory Liberty Loan bill and the billion dollar wheat guarantee bill.

The filibuster of the group of Republicans working for an extra session [Continued on Page 5.]

STOCKS BREAK SHARPLY

New York—Stocks broke sharply to-day when it became known in Wall Street at midday that Congress had adjourned without acting on the \$750,000,000 railroad revolving fund. Investment rails lost one to three points.

TRANSPORT TO SAIL AT 8.15 A. M. TO-MORROW

New York—The time appointed for the departure of the transport George Washington with President Wilson aboard is 8.15 A. M.

CROWDS DISARM BERLIN POLICE

Copenhagen—Crowds forced their way into the various police stations in Berlin Monday night, disarmed the policemen and cut the telephone wires, according to a telegram from Berlin.

STEAMER DRIVEN ASHORE

St. Johns, N. F.—The Furness Line steamer Appennine, bound from Liverpool for this port, was driven ashore at Witless point by the ice pack early to-day.

DR. PAUL DIES

Guatemala City, Guatemala—When the national assembly opened yesterday, President Cabrera read a message stating that Dr. Jose De J. Paul, Venezuelan foreign minister under President Castro, was dead. He had been living for some time in Guatemala, being in business here.

SHIPPING AT STANDSTILL

New York—The strike of sixteen thousand boatmen in New York harbor, halted last January at the cabled request of President Wilson, was resumed at 6 A. M. to-day, and at that hour shipping virtually was at a standstill, according to a statement made by union officials. Only one ferry line was operating on the North river.

MARTIAL LAW RAISED IN GUATEMALA

Guatemala City, Guatemala—Martial law, which has been in force since April, 1917, before Guatemala entered

Germany, has been raised

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George R. Lamke and Violet F. Gribble, Steelton; Jacob H. Johnson and Verdelia G. Marks, Danville.