

NEWS OF THE LEGISLATURE

FISHERMEN'S BILL REVIVAL

It Is Being Much Discussed Among the Legislators on the Hill Today

Reconsideration of the Powell fishermen's license bill was much discussed at a meeting of the House last night. The bill was defeated by 25 yeas to 90 nays. The bill was defeated last session and the loss last night was due to a combination of Susquehanna and Juniata people and the men who were afraid that the bill would have too much power over pollution. It was one of the oddest combinations of the session.

The bill was regarded by students of the fisheries question as of equal importance with the resident hunters' license bill, which became a law a few years ago, and would have made the fisheries department absolutely independent of state appropriations and given the funds necessary to complete five unfinished fisheries of the State and quadrupled their present output. It is understood that the measure with minor amendment will come up for a re-consideration of the vote immediately after the recess.

Messrs. Powell, Luzerna, and Phillips, Clearfield, led the fight for the bill, saying special revenue was needed for the Department of Fisheries if it was to continue propagation and prevent pollution. Messrs. Beidiespacher and Harar, Lycoming; Helt, Northumberland, and Woodruff, Snyder, approved the bill. Mr. Helt saying his people would gladly pay a license if their streams were clean enough for fish.

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CODIFY LAWS ON BIG TAXES

Personal Property and Inheritance Statutes Merged in the Dawson Bill

Plans to consolidate all personal property and inheritance tax laws, direct and collateral, in one general act have been worked out by Attorney General William I. Schaffer and a measure embodying his ideas was presented in the House by Representative Hugh A. Dawson. Scranton will add materially to State revenues in two ways.

The greatest source of revenue, which the State is losing now, will come by provision to obtain inheritance taxes on property of persons who die elsewhere. In recent years several instances have arisen where wealthy men, who made their money in this State, moved to New York city or to southern States and made their homes, but retained their property in Pennsylvania. When they died the states where they last resided claimed the inheritance taxes.

The plan is to consolidate the inheritance tax law so that they can be administered without difficulty and a conference was held with Auditor General Charles A. Snyder about the matter by Mr. Schaffer. One of the most striking changes is to allow registers of wills only \$5,000 for collection of inheritance taxes, whether direct or collateral. Under recently discussed plans \$5,000 would be the maximum for each class. The State would thus obtain more revenue.

Nothing in the new bill would change the idea of having the personal property tax collection returned to the authority of the auditor general, the commonwealth to get half of the proceeds. The counties now get all of the revenue. The bill would also cure some defects in the present acts.

The auditor general will have direct charge of the collection of taxes where wealthy persons die in other states, but personally in Pennsylvania. The plan is to list stocks and bonds and permit no transfers until Pennsylvania taxes are paid. There will be a prompt test of the plan and to see how far the State can go to get taxes on estates which escape Major David A. Reed, of Pittsburgh, has been named as special deputy attorney general in the Hostetter case wherein a wealthy resident of Pittsburgh, who claimed residence elsewhere left a large estate on which the State officials think the State should get some cash.

ART COMMISSION BILL AMENDED

First and Second Class Cities Are Exempted From State Control

The State Commission bill was amended on second reading in the House of Representatives last evening, to exempt first and second-class cities from its provisions. Among bills passed on this stage were the Hess "Blue Sky" Sunday fishing, Geological Bureau, increasing salaries of mine inspectors, physical education, increasing salary of Superintendent of Public Instruction to \$10,000 and biennial State report measures.

The anti-sectition bill was recommended to the Judiciary General Committee for a hearing on motion of Mr. Flynn, Elk, its sponsor, after passing second reading. The hearing will be held April 29.

An amendment to the dental laws of the State which would require all dentists, practicing in Pennsylvania, to register annually, was introduced by Mr. Galder, Philadelphia. It would also forbid any person from practicing under any name other than that in which the license is issued.

Mr. Ramsey, Delaware, introduced a bill amending the Delaware fox hunting bill of May 1, 1913, so that "it shall be unlawful for any person to shoot or trap or snare or poison any fox within the limits of Delaware county, Chester county or Montgomery county."

The Jones Senate bill reorganizing the Department of Agriculture, was reported favorably by Chairman M. M. Hollingsworth, of the Agricultural committee, and passed for the first time immediately after the House convened.

Many New Bills

Mr. Gans, Philadelphia, introduced a bill extending the vaccination act to private and parochial schools.

Other bills presented were: Mr. Perry, Philadelphia: Authorizing the Insurance Commissioner to revoke licenses of insurance companies, whose home State refuses to license Pennsylvania companies.

Mr. Dewey, Bradford: Amending borough code so that courts may order land annexed to boroughs attached to adjacent wards.

Mr. Martin, Allegheny: Providing that school boards may make appropriations for converting school grounds into recreation grounds on petition of taxpayers.

Mr. Stadlander, Allegheny: Increasing from \$5 to \$6 a day pay of subordinate assessors in Allegheny county and providing for the Pittsburgh Metropolitan district.

SIMS PRAISES CONVOY SYSTEM

Overcome German U-Boat Menace, Declares Rear Admiral

New York, April 8.—The convoy system, which many naval men had termed impracticable, overcame the German submarine menace and figured tremendously in the winning of the war, Rear Admiral William S. Sims, commander-in-chief of the American navy's forces in European waters, declared to-day on his arrival here aboard the British liner Mauretania.

Depth charges and listening devices, he said, contributed materially to success in maintaining practically unbroken the trans-Atlantic "bridge" of transports and supply ships essential to the Allied victory, as did the "magnificent work" of the merchant seaman, who "took their cargoes across, convoy or no convoy." But it was the convoying scheme, worked out to a fine detail by the combined officer of the associated powers, the admiral asserted, which made possible the transportation and supplying of the great American force, whose appearance in battle turned the tide.

Germany was winning the war, the rear admiral stated, when he arrived in England the day after the United States became a belligerent. Feuton interfered with shipping, he added, was a serious problem, solved only when conferences of the British, American and Allied commands worked out and put into practice the system of protecting vital ships, which prevailed until the cessation of hostilities.

As the admiral stepped aboard the naval yacht, Aramis, his flag shot up the mainmast and the guardship, Amphitrite, which had witheld its salute while he was aboard a foreign vessel, loosed its guns.

The escorting destroyers remained in the lower bay, but the ship, with a pair of kite balloons towed by launches, proceeded on up the bay.

ANTI-GERMAN BILL HARD HIT

Tie Vote on Postponement and Then Goes Back to Committee

A lively fight, ending in a tie vote, provoked in the Senate last night, when a House bill, sponsored by Representative J. T. Davis, Indiana, to prohibit the teaching of the German language in the public and normal schools of the State, came up for final passage. The bill ended back in committee.

Senator H. W. Shantz, Lehigh, spoke against the bill, contending that it discriminates against the public and normal schools of the State, by abolishing the private and parochial institutions to continue the instruction of German, while forbidding it in the former.

Senator W. D. Craig, Beaver, requested permission to interrogate Senator Shantz, which was granted. Senator Craig then asked Senator Shantz "whether American history is taught in the German language in the Lehigh county schools?"

It is not, Senator Shantz, Senator Craig continued his address in favor of the passage of the bill, saying that it was time to legislate the German language out of Pennsylvania.

Senator C. J. Buckman moved to postpone action on the measure, and the vote was taken, resulting in an apparent 23 to 22 victory in favor of postponement.

Lieutenant Governor E. E. Beidiespacher continued through the calendar, until it was discovered that the count had been incorrectly made, and the vote stood 23 to 22, thus losing the motion to postpone.

Senator T. L. Eyre, Chester, then moved to have the bill recommitted to the committee on education for purposes of amendment, which was unanimously carried.

The following is the vote on the measure:

Against postponement—Barr, Bechtel, Eyre, Graff, Gray, Herron, Jones, Leiby, Marlow, Martin, McConnell, Mearkle, Miller, J. S. Miller, Summerfield J. Murdoch, Phipps, Snyder, Turner, Vore, Weaver, Woodard, Woodward.

For postponement—Baldwin, R. J.; Baldwin, Frank; Barnes, Boyd, Buckman, Campbell, Crow, Daix, DeWitt, Donahue, Einstein, Haldeman, Honnester, Leslie, McNichol, Nason, Patton, Salus, Sessaman, Shantz, Sones, Smith and Tompkins.

More than a score of bills were passed on second reading and will come up for final action to-day. There were no measures on hand for first hearing.

Senator Craig, Beaver, introduced a bill creating a Minimum Wage Commission, which would have the power to adjust unfair wages in the cases of women and minors employed in industrial plants. The bill provides for the appointment by the Governor of a commission of three to constitute the new board.

Among other bills presented were the following:

Senator Woodward, Philadelphia: Prohibiting the granting of charters to corporations with foreign names.

Senator Baldwin, Delaware: Appropriating \$6,000 for medals for the Pennsylvania Reserve Militia.

Senator Daix, Philadelphia: Appropriating \$69,500 to the Department of Public Grounds and Buildings.

Senator Buckman, Bucks: Providing for condemnation by the State, and acquisition of lands suitable for State forests.

Senator Salus, Philadelphia: The Philadelphia transit bridge bill.

Rabbis Approve Wilson's League of Nations Plea

Cincinnati, O., April 8.—Rabbi Leo M. Franklin, of Detroit, was elected president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis at the final session of the thirtieth conference here yesterday.

Rabbi Edward N. Calisch, of Richmond, Va., was chosen vice president; Rabbi Felix A. Levi, of Chicago, corresponding secretary; Rabbi Isaac A. Marcusson, of Macon, Ga., recording secretary, and Rabbi Abram Simon, of Washington, D. C., treasurer.

Two cablegrams were sent by the conference to President Wilson in Paris. One expressed the fullest support of the president in his efforts for a covenant of peace and a League of Nations, and the other expressed the hope that the peace treaty would insure civil and religious freedom throughout all countries in the world.

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Bolsheviks Capture Miffinburg Boy; Take Him to Moscow

By Associated Press. Archangel, Sunday, April 6—M. V.

Arnold, of London, Ohio, and Bryant R. Ryall, of Bloomfield, N. J., Y. M. C. A. workers, who have been missing for several days, and three American soldiers captured by the Bolsheviks on the Bolshie Ozorki sector, are being taken to Moscow, according to information received in Archangel to-day from Obokerskay.

They are apparently being well treated.

The Rev. Father Roach, a chaplain with the British forces, who was captured near Bolshie Ozorki on March 21, was released by the Bolsheviks and made his way through the American lines on the Volodga front.

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