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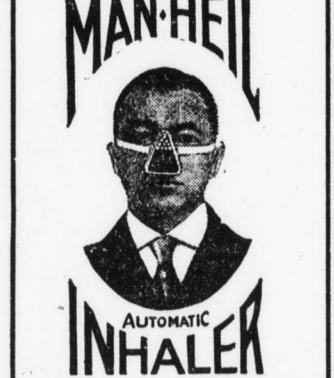
State Highway Department Announces Plan for a Series of Special Requirements



Orders that all lenses used on automobiles and motor vehicles operated in Pennsylvania must conform to State standards and that tests of the various types of lenses will be required have been issued by the automobile division of the State Highway Department. This action has been taken under the new automobile code of 1919 and all manufacturers have been asked to meet special instructions and also to have tests made by an approved firm.

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of more ahead of the lamps, rise more than 42 inches above the level surface of the highways. Motorcycles without side car attachment require but one headlight.

Information concerning the results of tests of light lenses or devices will be disseminated by the State Highway Department from time to time. Only such lenses or devices which have been approved will be permitted on motor vehicles.

Want Embargo Off—Officials of the State Highway Department are making an effort to secure a modification of the embargo placed upon shipments of stone by the United States Railroad Administration because of the serious effect thereof upon the construction of State highways at a period of the year when they hoped to make the most progress.

Short on Gobblers—Pennsylvania is only raising 80 per cent of the number of turkeys generally raised in this State, according to a statement issued to-day by the statistical bureau of the Department of Agriculture. This is only slightly more than reported at this time last year and the bureau says: "Many Pennsylvania farmers will have to look to other states for their Thanksgiving and Christmas turkey unless conditions change for the better."

The department is also calling attention to the loss of valuable fertilizer through careless handling of manure. It is figured out that the manure of live stock on farm and in stables of Pennsylvania is valued at \$37,750,000 a year as compared with prices of fertilizer.

Mr. Williams Here—Representative George W. Williams, of Pottsville, was among visitors at the State Capitol. He was at the Highway Department on road matters for Wellshoro.

Ex-Speaker Visits — Ex-Speaker George E. Alter and Mrs. Alter, of Allegheny, were visitors in Harrisburg to-day.

Progress on Code—The committee in charge of the preparation of the code for the protection of workmen will be ready to submit the code before very long. It will affect hundreds of establishments.

Contract for Boring Let — The contract for boring the foundations for the new office building at the Capitol was let yesterday by the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings to the Acker company, of Scranton, which made the borings for the Memorial bridge. T. Guy Meyers, Inc., Philadelphia, was awarded the contract for the approach to the Morrisville bridge at \$13,914.02.

Bridge Accepted—The State yesterday accepted the new Aughwick creek bridge in Huntingdon county.

Road Contractors Are Very Much Disturbed

Highway Commissioner Lewis S. Sadler, who has been receiving messages of protest all day from contractors who fear that their road building operations will be interfered with by the Railroad Administration embargo on stone, said to-

day that he feared that it would have serious effect upon the State's comprehensive road building program.

It was our idea in instituting our record-breaking road construction program not only to give Pennsylvania the highway system it must have, but to provide immediate employment for thousands of men who otherwise would have been out of work. The embargo on road materials if extended to all railroads will defeat that purpose," said Mr. Sadler. "It has been suggested that trucks be used. It is a physical impossibility to do this—as is evidenced when it is known that the stone for a single mile of road would fill a thousand three-ton trucks.

The obligation of the contractor presents one of the serious aspects of the case. There is no provision under the constitution of Pennsylvania which would permit the Highway Department to recognize losses to contractors brought about by rulings of the Railroad Administration such as this. It is difficult at first to realize the magnitude of the situation which this situation is capable. Approximately 35,000 men are employed in highway work in Pennsylvania. If the embargo order was but temporary it would have a disastrous effect, because when work shuts down it means that labor will drift to other sections; and upon the lifting of the embargo it would be impossible for the contractors and the State Highway Department again to organize their forces this season.

The order of embargo directs that permits be applied for before shipments may be made, showing the daily stone requirements of contractors and the State, location of shippers and consignees, and other details. A similar situation existed during the war. From the experience of the department at that time it is believed by officials that it would be next to impossible to proceed with the work of highway construction with any kind of success or satisfaction.

Jitney Men Likely to Lose Auto Tags

Investigation of the rates and service of Philadelphia's taxicabs which was set afoot to-day by the Public Service Commission following a decision of Monday night to undertake a searching inquiry is likely to develop into a State-wide matter which will take inspectors to Pittsburgh, Scranton and other cities as well as cause investigation in Harrisburg. Not only will taxicabs be required to post rates of fare and to maintain taximeters, but certain standards of safety and insurance against accident will be demanded, while the men who operate jitneys without obtaining State certificates will have their automobile licenses revoked.

Plans were made to-day for co-operation between the Commission and the State Highway Department in regard to procedure for revocation of licenses which the Highway Commissioner is authorized to do where it is shown that a license holder has violated an order of the Commission. This can be done under the act of July 9, 1919, which expressly authorizes the Highway Chief to revoke a license when the holder is certified by the Commission for operating as a common carrier without a State certificate or for other violations. Commissioners Samuel M. Clement, Jr., and James S. Benn discussed the situation in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh with Highway Commissioner Lewis S. Sadler. The chances are that while the inquiry into conditions of the taxicab business in Philadelphia is under way the jitney men running without licenses will be given warning and if they fail to secure State approval their numbers will be cut. This law has already been invoked in one case and others are pending.

Federal Taxes Drop Near \$195,000,000 in Pennsylvania

Washington, Sept. 10.—There was a decrease in income and excess profit taxes paid by Pennsylvania in 1919 over the previous year of \$194,789,965.12, according to the report of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue made public here. The income and profits tax in 1918 amounted to \$95,851,375.95, compared with \$301,111,410.79 this year. The total revenue from taxes paid by Pennsylvania in 1919 were \$437,653,877.07. Of this amount the first Pennsylvania district including Philadelphia and the surrounding counties paid \$184,918,797.22, which represented a decrease over the previous year of \$15,585,572.60. In the Twenty-third district, Pittsburgh and surrounding counties, the decrease was \$125,092,274.12.

In the North Pennsylvania district, Lancaster, the taxes paid in this year amounted to \$21,478,943.83, a gain of \$594,106.61. In the Scranton district the total taxes reached \$35,510,371.31, a decrease of \$11,318,526.02.

Bank Examiner Is Held on Alleged Plot of Swindlers

Chicago, Sept. 10.—O. T. Evans, a national bank examiner, was arrested yesterday in connection with the financial operations of a syndicate of swindlers. Evans is alleged to have been a part of a syndicate plotting a harvest of \$1,000,000 by sale of worthless securities.

Tompkins Placed on Murder Trial Third Time at Johnston

Johnstown, Pa., Sept. 10.—For the third time, George C. Tompkins was placed on trial here yesterday for the murders of E. I. Humphries, Sr., Mrs. Humphries and their son, E. I. Jr., near Carrolltown, July 15, 1917. At the first trial the defendant was convicted of second degree murder for the killing of Mr. Humphries, and the second trial resulted in a first degree murder verdict for the shooting of the wife. In the latter case the State Supreme Court granted a new trial, which is now in progress. As in the former trials, notes of testimony taken during the first and second trials are being used by both defense and prosecution as a basis for examining witnesses.

Larkin Detention Disappoints Followers

Dublin, Sept. 10.—James Larkin having returned from the United States to his sister that he hoped soon to be at home in Ireland "with the old guard" there is some disappointment among his followers here because both the United States and British governments have refused him, as stated, the necessary passports.

The Irish Transport Workers' Union which he founded, meanwhile, has not abated any of its activities in his absence, and has carried out in various parts of Ireland a number of successful strikes. At present the harvest is in danger and the cattle trade is obstructed in the midland counties by Transport Union walkouts of the agricultural laborers, and in Dublin there is the novel feature of a strike of gravediggers belonging to this union which has succeeded in closing the great Catholic cemetery at Glasnevin.

The report of the organization for the past year shows an increased membership from 43,788 to 58,827 in 210 branches. The finances show a credit balance on the year of nearly \$90,000. Nearly \$45,000 was paid out in various forms of strike benefits. Larkin's most recent public appearance in America was at a Socialist mass meeting in New York, last June.

Knights of Pythias Hold First Outing

The first annual picnic of Enterprise lodge, No. 10, Knights of Pythias, held at Bellingham Park, was enjoyed by upward of one thousand members of the order. Prizes were offered for the many events. The married men defeated the single men in a fast ball game. The tug-of-war for men captained by Breneman and Horner was won by Breneman and his side after ten minutes of struggle. Prize, case of peas each. Tug-of-war for women won by Captain Mrs. Wickenhiser, case of corn. Quoit contest, Breneman first, prize, box of cigars; second, H. Fleagle, K. of P. book. Fat woman's race, won by Mrs. Horner, bucket of lard. Ice cream eating contest, won by T. Olsey, eating a pint of ice cream in 14 seconds, prize, clock. Three-legged race for boys won by Miller and Fleagle, prize flashlight for each. Plant hunt won by C. Newcomer, prize, lily-pops. Wheelbarrow race for women, first prize, a ham won by Mrs. Hite; second, Mrs. G. Miller, 5 pounds sugar. Other events too numerous to mention were enjoyed by all. Special cars going and returning from the park was appreciated by all.

David Kaufman Heads Jewish Relief Workers

David Kaufman, as chairman of the American Jewish Relief Committee, will call a meeting of prominent men of this vicinity next Sunday. Mr. Kaufman has just accepted this post for the campaign to be held shortly, and at the personal request of Nathan Straus, Jacob D. Lit, Felix Warburg and Jacob Schiff.

ASHLEY TO HUNT STONE FOR STATE

Steps Taken to Make Commonwealth Road Building Independent of R. R. Rules

In an effort to overcome difficulties caused by the United States Railroad Administration's embargo against shipments of stone for State highway construction and to safeguard the road building operations of 1920, steps have been taken where the new bureau of geological survey of the Internal Affairs Department will make searches for stone and sand along the lines of the proposed construction. Arrangements for this work were made to-day by Highway Commissioner Lewis S. Sadler, who called upon the

new State Geologist, Dr. George H. Ashley, to undertake the task. The Commissioner said that if quarries and sand beds can be located near the road operations construction will be "simplified and hastened." Under a new law the State has authority to condemn land for quarries and production of road-making material, while the War Department has turned over to the State several hundred army trucks for use in road construction which the department in efforts to overcome the embargo conditions will rent to contractors.

Dr. Ashley will put a corps of field men to work at once along the lines laid down for the road building operations which will be under way late this year and in 1920. In a statement issued, Commissioner Sadler said: "This department has certain important projects on its schedule for 1920. Those projects are a part of the primary highway system. They must be completed, if humanly possible. If embargoes are announced on shipments of road materials, or if trans-

portation fails for any reason, we want to be in a position to continue our construction. We want, if possible, to be independent of the railroads. What we ask of the new State Geologist is that he make an immediate effort to find sand and stone near the 1920 jobs, so that trucks can be used to get this material where it is needed. We are particularly anxious to complete the primary highway system so that food can be transported to the centers of population from the centers of production. Nothing will help us more than finding us materials at the back door, as it were, of our 1920 projects."

Bride ill, They Are Married in Hospital

Becoming ill on Monday after coming to Harrisburg to be married, Miss Minnie Smith, of York, was yesterday married to William Myers of the same city, in the Harrisburg Hospital, where she had been taken for treatment.

Late Monday evening the bride-to-be became ill and was taken to the Hospital. Not dangerously ill, she wished the marriage to go forward as planned yesterday and the bond was tied in a ward of the local institution. Bridgroom, minister, witnesses and others stood at the bedside of the bride.

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