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## WANTS AN INCOME LIMIT OF \$10,000

### Maurer, Socialist, Presents Bill Preventing Any One Getting More Than That Sum

## PROVIDES A TAX ON SLIDING SCALE

Any Person Whose Income Now Is \$20,000 or More Would Be Required to Pay All Save \$10,000 to a State Fund for Unemployed

A bill that would make it impossible for anybody in Pennsylvania to have an income in excess of \$10,000 a year was introduced in the House of Representatives this morning by Representative James H. Maurer, of Berks county, the only Socialist member of the House.

The bill provides an income tax on a graduated scale, beginning at \$2,000 a year. A man enjoying that income must pay one per cent; \$3,000 to \$4,000, three per cent; \$4,000 to \$5,000, five per cent, and so on until the man having \$20,000 a year is paying fifty per cent. income tax.

All persons with incomes over \$20,000 must pay all of their income in excess of \$10,000 to the State. A heavy penalty is provided for refusal to pay the tax or for making incorrect returns.

The proceeds of the tax are to go toward the keep of the unemployed in times of industrial depression. The bill entrusts the Department of Labor and Industry with the administration of the bill and makes the Auditor General levy the tax.

The money goes into a separate fund known as "The Workmen's Emergency Employment Fund" and it will be used for making necessary improvements in sections where large numbers of men are out of work. The money shall be administered on a petition to the Department of Labor and Industry.

## FOR A MILLERSBURG BRIDGE

### Beidleman Introduces Bill Carrying \$275,000 to Construct Viaduct to Span Susquehanna

If a bill introduced in the Senate last night by Senator Beidleman, of Harrisburg, becomes a law, the State will construct a new bridge across the Susquehanna river from Millersburg, Dauphin county, to Crow's Landing, Perry county, connecting with the State highways on both sides of the river.

This is something that the people of Millersburg have been wishing for years to have done. The cost of the new bridge is not to exceed \$275,000, which is appropriated in the bill. The work is to be done under the supervision of the State Highway Department, and no part of the appropriation is available until it can be shown to the satisfaction of the Auditor General that sites for piers above low water mark, abutments and approaches to the bridge have been provided without expense to the State.

It would seem from this latter provision that it would be up to the Commissioners of Dauphin and Perry county to prepare the way in the event of the bill passing.

## COMMITTEE TO ACT NEXT TUESDAY ON OPTION BILL

The House Law and Order Committee will act on the county unit option bill on next Tuesday, April 13, the committee having decided on that as the date when all bills in that committee will be acted upon. That a report will be made on it immediately following that meeting is not at all certain, according to those on the inside on the Hill.

Governor Brumbaugh, who has directed the action on the bill, is said not to be ready to have it reported. The committee, which has to this time sustained the Governor in his wishes on this measure will likely await his pleasure.

## CHILD LABOR PASSES HOUSE

### Only Six Votes Cast in Opposition to Measure Brumbaugh Backs

The child labor bill, favored by Governor Brumbaugh, was passed finally in the House this morning without one word of debate. The vote was 179 to 6.

Those who voted in the negative are: Messrs. Baldwin and Reburn, of Delaware; Body, Rothenberger and Sarig, of Berks, and Lappert, of Lycoming. The bill now goes before the Senate.

## New Champion Leaves For U. S.

Havana, April 7.—Jess Willard left Havana to-day for New York where he is due to arrive Friday. A big crowd was at the dock to say goodbye to the champion.

## FAIL TO AMEND BRUMBAUGH COMPENSATION MEASURE

An amendment to the first of the Wilson workmen's compensation bills to exclude from the provisions of the bill employers of five or fewer persons was defeated in the House this morning by a vote of 102 yeas and 88 nays.

The victory for Governor Brumbaugh, who is backing the bill, came after a three-hour debate, which consumed almost the entire session of the House.

The measure was called at 10:30 o'clock, it being a special order of business on second reading, and the amendment was offered by Mr. Campbell, of Butler, who discussed not only his amendment, but the entire measure for almost an hour, opening a way for a general discussion of the proposed act.

William H. Wilson, of Philadelphia, sponsor of the bills, bore the brunt of the debate against the amendment. He told of the hearings on the measure, how the various points brought out by the objectors to the act were covered in committee hearing, and he asked that the bills be advanced to final passage without amendment.

The exemptions of the farmer and the domestic servant came in for a long debate, in which Mr. Maurer, of Berks, the Socialist member, blamed the farmer for his not being protected under the act. The constitutionality of the act was attacked by Mr. Campbell, Henry I. Wilson, of Jefferson, also spoke in favor of the amendment.

The precise question was demanded and carried by a vote of 81 to 70 after three hours' discussion and the House took a roll call on the amendment, which was defeated by a vote of 102 to 88, the identical vote by which the House yesterday morning refused to amend the Governor's child labor bill.

Messrs. Nissley, Swartz, Wildman and Young—all of the Dauphin county delegation—voted in favor of the amendment.

The compensation measure is in seven different bills and the House resumed action on them on second reading after a recess until 3 o'clock, which was announced at 1:30 o'clock.

## FOR NEW STATE BUILDING

### Clark Introduces Bill Paving Way for Structure for Educational Departments in Capitol Park

Senator Clark, of Erie, last night introduced a bill in the Senate authorizing the State Board of Education to inquire into and report to the Governor upon the advisability of the erection in the Capitol Park by the State of a suitable building for the use of educational departments and interests of the State, which shall also serve as a memorial to the founders of the public school system and former distinguished educators of Pennsylvania.

The bill authorizes an expenditure by the State Board of Education of \$5,000 out of its 1915 appropriation to obtain preliminary plans and designs which are to be submitted to the Governor and by him to the next session of the Legislature.

## TO WED HIS BROTHER'S WIDOW

### Hanover Man Gets License Here to Marry His Former Sister-in-Law

Howard C. Resh, of Hanover, a prosperous farmer, to-day took out a marriage license at the Court House here to wed Mrs. Elie Resh, the widow of his brother. Resh is 28 years old and his bride-to-be is 22. The death of the brother and husband occurred two years and one month ago to-day.

A marriage license also was issued to Alonzo B. Buffington and Roxie Lewis, both of this city.

## GIVES POWER TO PLANNING BOARD

## Bill Introduced in House

### Extends Veto Authority to Members of That Body

## BLOW AIMED AT TICKET SCALPERS

### Dunn Measure Makes It Unlawful to Sell Theatre Tickets Above the Regular Price and at Any Other Place Than at the Theatre

To planning commissions in third class cities in Pennsylvania, which now act only in an advisory capacity under the Clark commission form of government act, are given increased powers, even to that of vetoing of ordinances which concern city extension and the building of public buildings, in a measure introduced in the House this morning by Representative C. L. Alexander, of Erie.

The measure permits city commissions to appropriate money for the administration of the powers granted to the planning commissions under the act, the appropriation not to exceed one-half of one mill of tax nor be less than one-tenth of one mill of tax.

The act would give the planning commission power to regulate every public improvement, including the placing of terminals and other buildings of public service corporations operating in the cities. The power of veto granted to the planning commission may be

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## 'SPITE HOUSE' IS TARGET OF BILL

### Nissley Measure Would Compel the Destruction of Gaudy 'American Flag' Building

## IT PROVIDES FOR HEAVY DAMAGES

### Dauphin County Lawmaker Says His Plan Is Not Aimed at Any Individual, But Is Intended to Be State-wide in Its Application

The gaudy "Red Cross American Flag House" at Old Orchard on the outskirts of the city will be declared a private nuisance and will be razed or its owner will be liable for damages and a \$10-a-day penalty for every day it remains standing from the time the neighbors get judgment against the owner, if a bill presented in the House of Representatives last night by Mr. Nissley, of the Second district of Dauphin county, becomes a law.

Mr. Nissley said his bill is directed at no particular "spite fence" but at "spite fences" in general. He expressed surprise when informed that the well known and now famous "Red Cross" house still is standing in one of the prettiest residential sections in the suburbs.

"I have not been out Derry street lately," said Mr. Nissley, "but it will be a good thing if that house has to come down."

The bill provides that a fence or any other structure in the nature of a fence unnecessarily exceeding six feet in height, maliciously erected and maintained for the purpose of annoying neighbors, is a private nuisance and the neighbors may have an action for damages and recover judgment.

In the latter event the plaintiff shall have the nuisance removed within thirty days or be liable to a penalty of \$10 for each day it remains after the thirty-day limit. This penalty, the bill provides, may be recovered in an action before a justice of the peace or alderman or other magistrate.

The measure would be State-wide in its effect and all the "spite fences" in the State will have to come down if it becomes a law.

## EITEL STILL AT HER DOCK

### German Cruiser's Proposed Dash to Sea Hasn't As Yet Materialized

Newport News, Va., April 7.—"We are not even thinking about internment of the Prinz Eitel Friederich now," declared Customs Collector Hamilton to-day, after he had waited expectantly throughout the night for the German cruiser to leave this port.

As the collector spoke he was preparing to again visit the ship on orders from Washington, although he said farewell to Commander Thiercheus and members of his staff last night.

Newport News, Va., April 7.—Shortly before 3 o'clock the Eitel hoisted a line of signal flags and blew her whistle. The shrill blast was sounded. Smoke was pouring from both of her funnels.

## TO PICK STEELE'S SUCCESSOR

### Committee of Five Left For West Last Night

A committee composed of City Superintendent F. E. Downes, Secretary D. D. Hammelbaugh, President Harry A. Boyer, H. M. Bretz and Adam Houtz, of the Harrisburg school district, left last night for points in west and Northwest Pennsylvania, to choose a Central High school principal, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Prof. W. S. Steele.

The committee will stop at a number of cities and towns, the itinerary being arranged by Superintendent Downes. They will probably return about Saturday.

## BOOK STORE AWNING BURNED

### Slight Blaze at Central Publishing House Calls Out Firemen

Quite a large crowd collected in the vicinity of Fourth and Market streets at noon to-day when the awning of the Central Book Store caught fire. The Washington and Friendship Fire Companies were phoned for, but by the time they arrived the awning was torn down and the blaze extinguished. It is believed the fire was caused by a lighted cigar or cigarette being thrown from one of the upper windows.

### \$2,500 Fire in Coleman Residence

Philadelphia, April 7.—The Philadelphia residence of E. Dawson Coleman, of Lebanon, Pa., caught fire early to-day and narrowly escaped destruction. Flames started in the kitchen and the prompt work of the firemen saved the place. The loss is about \$2,500.

### Uses Carbolic Acid for Limbment

Believing that carbolic acid would prove beneficial for stiffened limbs, William Van Buskirk, 1005 North Third street, applied some to his arms and chest, which badly burned him. He was admitted to the Harrisburg hospital for treatment.

## PLANNING TO DEFEAT THE PURCHASE OF \$27,000 PLOT

### Majority of the City Commissioners Say in Conversation They Will Kill Taylor Ordinance—Plan to Buy a Cheaper Site Will Be Proposed

A majority of Harrisburg's five City Commissioners declared in conversation to-day that they are opposed to paying \$27,000 for a three-acre tract of land at Fifth and Emerald streets, proposed by Park Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor as a playground site. They said also that they object to paying \$26,000 for that same ground—the latest offer of the owners—and declared they will defeat the pending Taylor ordinance providing for the expenditure of \$27,000 for the land unless it be amended to reduce the cost by more than half that amount.

Taylor, at the City Commissioners' meeting yesterday afternoon for the second time since the measure was introduced, had action upon the playground ordinance postponed. His reason for the postponement, he said, was the fact that the owners verbally had agreed to top off \$1,000 from the original \$27,000 purchase price. The reduction, he added, was due, possibly, to an offer made by Joseph L. Shearer, Jr., who fixed \$26,500 as the purchase price of a plot adjacent to and practically as large as the one at Fifth and Emerald streets.

One City Commissioner who is opposed to laying out \$26,000 or \$27,000 for an uptown playground site, admitted to-day that he now is working on a plan through which the City may obtain an uptown playground site for less than \$4,000 an acre. The plot Taylor sought to buy at \$27,000, would have cost almost \$9,000 an acre.

If the plan of the Commissioner referred to works out, he said he will make an effort to amend the \$27,000 ordinance net Tuesday so that it carry an appropriation not to exceed \$12,000. The ground in question, the Commissioner insisted, is well adapted for playground purposes and is in close proximity to the upper end of the city.

Another Commissioner, also opposed to the \$27,000 ordinance, has suggested the possibility of establishing a public playground on the eastern end of Wildwood Park.

## PLANS A 'MUNICIPAL FOREST'

### City Forester Muehler Wants School Children to Start It Arbor Day

The School Board placed in the hands of the District Supervisors last night a plan of City Forester Muehler to hold a celebration in Wildwood Park on Arbor Day, April 26, which all of the school children would attend for the purpose of planting trees. In his letter to the board Mr. Muehler said he hoped this would be the start of a "municipal forest."

The board decided to allow the Tech High school to hold an open evening session on May 20. This is an annual custom. All the shops will be running and the building will be open to public inspection.

Fearing the Woman Suffrage Association planned to hold a political rally, Mr. Houtz moved that the request of the association for the use of the Technical High school auditorium for April 30 be investigated by Secretary D. D. Hammelbaugh. Under the rules of the board the auditorium cannot be let for political purposes.

## FIND \$1,200 IN TIN CAN

### Workmen Discover Money While Tearing Down an Old Barn

Hagerstown Md., April 7.—While engaged in tearing down an old barn on the farm of Charles E. Virts, of Weaverston, workmen discovered a tin can containing over \$1,200 in bank notes. It is the supposition that they were hidden away during the Civil war.

Carefully hidden among the foundation stones, the can, rusted and almost completely destroyed, was found. When the top was screwed off the slightly discolored greenbacks bulged out.

The old barn had been used as a hoarding place during the Civil war and the money was hidden there, it is believed. Ten years ago M. Virts found a large sum of money while removing linoleum from the hall in his house.

## BARBER CO. LOW BIDDER ON ASPHALT REPAIR PLANT

### Under One Set of Specifications Its Proposal Is \$7,495, and Under Another \$11,875—Four Other Builders Submit Figures to City

Five firms to-day submitted proposals to Highway Commissioner William H. Lynch for constructing Harrisburg's municipal asphalt repair plant, which is to be built on the recently purchased site at Ninth and Shanois streets. The Barber Asphalt Company, of Buffalo, N. Y., which until a few years ago operated an asphalt plant in this city, submitted the low proposal. The firm to which the contract will be awarded will not be selected until after the Highway Commissioner has conferred with City Engineer Cowden and the representatives of the competing firms.

This decision consequently will not be made for two or three days, but it is entirely probable that the award will be made by the City Commissioners at their meeting next Tuesday afternoon. There is a balance of \$18,370 in the \$25,000 improvement loan fund, out of which the plant is to be constructed and equipped.

The Barber Asphalt Company submitted two sets of specifications, the bid under one set being \$7,495 and that under the second \$11,875. The other bids were as follows: Warren Brothers Company, Boston, Mass., three bids (a) \$11,450; (b) \$10,882; (c) \$13,400. These bids, as is the case

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## FRANCE'S CHIEF TO LEAD FIGHT TO ROUT GERMANS FROM BELGIUM



GENERAL JOFFRE

General Joffre, who is the commander in chief of the French army, is reported to be at Furnes, Belgium, where King Albert and the Belgian General Staff have their headquarters. While an official statement asserts that General Joffre went to Furnes to decorate Belgian soldiers and officers with the Legion of Honor, it is believed that the real purpose of his trip is to command the allied forces in their great aggressive campaign to expel the Germans from Belgium.

## GOVERNOR TELLS OF OPTION ISSUE

### Addresses Gathering in Chestnut Street Hall, Closing the Big Demonstration

## SENATOR OLIVER OCCUPIES CHAIR

### Dr. Brumbaugh Declares That Question Is Not a Partisan One—Asserts Williams' Bill Gives People the Right to Decide What They Want

Governor Brumbaugh, who is perhaps more interested in the passage of a local option bill than any other man in the State, was a conspicuous figure in yesterday's big pro-option demonstration here when he spoke at the closing meeting in the Chestnut street auditorium in the evening. He sat through the long hearing in the Capitol in the afternoon, when both sides of the question were presented to the House Law and Order Committee.

The closing meeting in the Chestnut street hall consumed but an hour, but it was perhaps the most impressive gathering of the day. Governor Brumbaugh's speech was easily the feature of the meeting. The chief executive was introduced by United States Senator Oliver, of Pittsburgh, who presided.

The chief executive was cheered time after time. He said:

"I am a firm believer in the right of the people to rule. This is fundamental in the creed of every true American. When this right is denied the people, government becomes oppression. It may even become tyranny. Your state constitution, like the national constitution, is a sacred compact entered into to facilitate the enactment of the will of the people into statutory law and to fix the bounds beyond which the fixed will of the people may not be changed. Through legislative amendment and addition the will of the people is constantly expressed in new forms and upon new themes. It is a matter of grave concern to determine just what subjects should be by constitutional limitation withdrawn from legislative modification. With that situation we need not deal at this time.

"But with the domain of legislative modification we do have to do. When by law a situation develops that is not supported by the major will of a people that situation can and should change. We can never deny the people the right to determine for themselves who shall govern them and what laws shall govern them. Administrators and legislators who violate this fundamental principle of American life are false to the people and unjust to the State.

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## Berlin Admits Loss of U-29

Berlin, April 7, via Amsterdam and London, 4:55 P. M.—The German admiralty has given out an official statement in which the loss of the submarine U-29 is accepted.

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## SERBIA AND ITALY AGREE AS TO SPOILS

### Entry of Latter Into European Conflict May Now Be Considered Imminent

## SERBS' OUTLET TO THE ADRIATIC

### Italy Not to Oppose Serbia's Occupation of Territory Giving Italian Free Access to Sea on Condition Fortifications Be Eliminated

Paris, April 7.—Italy and Serbia are about to conclude an agreement, telegraphs the correspondent of "Excelsior" at Rome, upon the following basis:

Italy will not oppose Serbia's occupation of territory giving her an outlet to the Adriatic on condition that this territory be not fortified. As to the question of Trieste and Istria, this has not even been discussed, the allies having recognized the Italian character of these localities. The present visit of T. Tittini, the Italian Ambassador in Paris, to Rome is in connection with these negotiations.

"If this Italo-Serbia agreement is signed this week, as is expected," the correspondent of the "Excelsior" says, "the entry of Italy into the European conflict may be considered imminent."

## Bulgaria Playing Audacious Game

Rome, April 6, 10:20 P. M.—Commenting upon Bulgaria's reply to Serbia's protest growing out of the Valandovo incident (the attack by Bulgarian irregulars upon Serbian frontier guards), the "Tribuna" says the clash must have displeased the triple entente powers, while reviving the hopes of the central empires and Turkey. The newspaper thinks that Bulgaria is negotiating with the allies, while at the same time maintaining intimate relations with Austria and Germany.

Bulgaria, hoping for a realization of the provisions of the treaty of San Stefano, the "Tribuna" declares, "is playing a most audacious game, which may cause all sorts of surprises."

The treaty of San Stefano, to which the "Tribuna" refers, was signed on March 3, 1878, at San Stefano, a small port on the Sea of Marmora, west of Constantinople, and put an end to the Russo-Turkish war. Under its provisions, a principality of Bulgaria was to be created extending from the Danube to the Aegean; Rumania, Serbia and Montenegro were recognized as independent. The provisions of the treaty were greatly altered, however, by the congress of Berlin, June-July, 1878. Some of the territory which Bulgaria was to obtain under this treaty was awarded to her as the result of the last Balkan war.

## 100 GERMANS ALMOST TUNNEL THEMSELVES TO FREEDOM

London, April 7.—A nearly completed tunnel, through which a hundred German officers who are prisoners could have made their escape from the internment camp at Philipsberg, near Maidenhead, has been discovered by the British military authorities, according to the "Daily Telegraph."

The newspaper asserts that the tunnel would have been finished in another twenty-four hours. It was thirty feet long and had been dug beneath a garden and under a high wall. The work of excavation had been carried on at night with the aid of fire shovels.

## TURKS REPULSE RUSSIANS AFTER 18 HOURS' FIGHTING

Constantinople, April 7, by Wireless to Berlin and London, 8:19 A. M.—An official statement issued to-day by the Turkish War Office says:

"No serious attack was made yesterday by the enemy on the Dardanelles. The day before two hostile cruisers bombarded our batteries at the entrance to the straits but without result. One of the enemy's cruisers and one torpedo boat were struck by our shells.

"On the Caucasian front the enemy attacked our advance guards north of Ishkan, near the frontier, but was repulsed across the frontier. After eighteen hours' hard fighting we occupied the enemy's villages near Rhorosrud Parezo, south of Tassakert."

## Famous Race Track Hotel Burned

Long Branch, N. J., April 7.—The Old Monmouth Park Hotel, famous in the days when horse racing flourished in this State, burned to-day. The hotel was located close to the Monmouth Park race track where many of the country's most noted horses ran in their day.

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