

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION SUBMITTED TO THE CITIZENS OF THE COMMONWEALTH FOR THEIR APPROVAL OR REJECTION, BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND PUBLISHED BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, IN PURSUANCE OF ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITUTION.

Number One.

A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to Article IX of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the XVIII article thereof:—

Section 16. The State, or any municipality thereof, acquiring or appropriating property or rights over or in property for public use, may, in furtherance of its plans for the acquisition and public use of such property or rights, and subject to such restrictions as the Legislature may from time to time impose, appropriate an excess of property over that actually to be occupied or used for public use, and may thereafter sell or lease such excess, and impose on the property so sold or leased any restrictions appropriate to preserve or enhance the benefit to the public of the property actually occupied or used.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 1.

CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Number Two.

A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania so as to consolidate the courts of common pleas of Philadelphia county.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section six of article five be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 6. In the county of Philadelphia all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several numbered courts of common pleas of that county, shall be vested in one court of common pleas composed of all the judges in commission in said county. Such jurisdiction and powers shall extend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts and shall be subject to such change as may be made by law and subject to change of venue as provided by law. The number of judges in said court may be by law increased from time to time. This amendment shall take effect on the first day of January succeeding its adoption.

"In the county of Allegheny all the jurisdiction and powers now vested in the several numbered courts of common pleas, shall be vested in one court of common pleas, composed of all the judges in commission in said county. Such jurisdiction and powers shall extend to all proceedings at law and in equity which shall have been instituted in the several numbered courts and shall be subject to such change as may be made by law and subject to change of venue as provided by law. The president judge of the said court shall be selected as provided by law. The number of judges in said court may be by law increased from time to time. This amendment shall take effect on the first day of January succeeding its adoption.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3.

CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Number Three.

A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to Article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania; authorizing the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the improvement of the highways of the Commonwealth.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Pennsylvania be, and the same is hereby, proposed, in accordance with the eighteenth article thereof:—

That section four of article nine, which reads as follows:

"Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of

to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiency in revenue shall never exceed in the aggregate at any one time, one million dollars," be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4. No debt shall be created by or on behalf of the State, except to supply casual deficiencies of revenue, repel invasion, suppress insurrection, defend the State in war, or to pay existing debt; and the debt created to supply deficiencies in revenue shall never exceed in the aggregate, at any one time, one million dollars: Provided, however, That the General Assembly, Irrespective of any debt, may authorize the State to issue bonds to the amount of fifty millions of dollars for the purpose of improving and rebuilding the highways of the Commonwealth.

Section 2. Said proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State, at the general election to be held on the Tuesday next following the first Monday of November in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, for the purpose of deciding upon the approval and ratification or the rejection of said amendment. Said election shall be opened, held, and closed upon said election day, at the places and within the hours at and within which said election is directed to be opened, held and closed, and in accordance with the provisions of the laws of Pennsylvania governing elections, and amendments thereto. Such a amendment shall be printed upon the ballots in the form and manner prescribed by the election laws of Pennsylvania, and shall in all respects conform to the requirement of such laws.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 3.

CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Number Four.

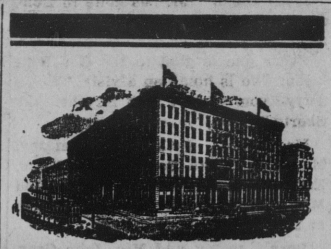
A JOINT RESOLUTION
Proposing an amendment to section eight, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in accordance with the provisions of the eighteenth article thereof:—

Amendment to Article Nine, Section Eight.

That section eight of article nine of the Constitution be amended by striking out the said section and inserting in place thereof the following:—

Section 8. The debt of any county city, borough, township, school district or other municipality or incorporated district, except as provided here in and in section fifteen of this article shall never exceed seven (7) per centum upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, but the debt of the city of Philadelphia may be increased in such amount that the total city debt of said city shall not exceed ten per centum (10) upon the assessed value of the taxable property therein, nor shall any such municipality or district incur any new debt, or increase its indebtedness to an amount exceeding two (2) per centum upon such assessed valuation of property, without the consent of the electors thereof at a public election in such manner as shall be provided by law. In ascertaining the borrowing capacity of the said city of Philadelphia, at any time, there shall be excluded from the calculation and deducted from such debt so much of the debt of said city as shall have been incurred, and the proceeds thereof invested, in any public improvements of any character which shall be yielding to the said city an annual current net revenue. The amount of such deduction shall be ascertained by capitalizing the annual net revenue from such improvement during the year immediately preceding the time of such ascertainment; and such capitalization shall be estimated by ascertaining the principal amount which would yield such annual current net revenue, at the average rate of interest, and sinking fund charges payable upon the indebtedness incurred by said city for such purpose, up to the time of such ascertainment. The method of determining such amount, so to be deducted, may be prescribed by the General Assembly. In incurring indebtedness for any purpose the city of Philadelphia may issue its obligations maturing not later than fifty (50) years from the date thereof, with provision for a sinking fund sufficient to retire said obligations at maturity, the payment to such sinking fund to be in equal or graded annual or other periodical installments. Where any indebtedness shall be or shall have been incurred by said city of Philadelphia for the purpose of the construction or improvement of public works of any character from which income or revenue is to be derived by said city, or for the reclamation of land to be



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used in the construction of wharves or docks owned or to be owned by said city, such obligations may be in an amount sufficient to provide for, and may include the amount of, the interest and sinking fund charges accruing and which may accrue thereon throughout the period of construction, and until the expiration of one year after the completion of the work for which said indebtedness shall have been incurred; and said city shall not be required to levy a tax to pay said interest and sinking fund charges as required by section ten, article nine of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, until the expiration of said period of one year after the completion of said work.

A true copy of Joint Resolution No. 4.

CYRUS E. WOODS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Anita Stewart is one of the very ed by a great actress, Anita Stewart at the Bijou, Friday, Sept. 23.

KEYSTONE PARAGRAPHS

The idle plant of the Great Western File works, occupying three acres in Beaver Falls, has been sold to the Pittsburgh Radium company of Pittsburgh, a newly organized interest in the vanadium and radium field, which will partially rebuild the plant, equip it for the treatment of carnotite ores and the extraction of vanadium, uranium and allied products.

"Get over there!" This shout and a wild shove, as a fast passenger train bore down upon them, sent Mrs. Laura Meisel reeling from the path of a Baltimore and Ohio engine just as the locomotive crashed into her husband, Albert E. Meisel, at the Tumecseh street crossing of the railroad in Hazelwood. The man gave his life to save that of his wife.

Petitions are being circulated asking the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie railroad to inaugurate passenger service between Connellsville and Brownsville by the way of Whitsett cutoff. The cutoff was built several years ago as a means of hauling freight from the Young river points to Monongahela valley points without going via Pittsburgh.

A headless skeleton was found in a suitcase by workmen excavating in a back yard in Pittsburgh, where the old Moose temple is being razed in preparation for the erection of a new home. The skeleton was covered with dirt and old newspapers and was buried six feet under ground.

The population of the Pittsburgh metropolitan district is 1,156,849, an increase of 30.7 per cent since 1910. The number of manufacturing establishments is 2,479, and the capital invested in industries is \$706,660,130. In five years wages and salaries increased 18.5 per cent.

At the point of a revolver William T. Morris of Connellsville held up a gang of workmen who were laying a sewer in front of his residence and they were forced to quit work. A detail of policemen was sent to the place and the workmen were put back to work.

Jack Frost, aged thirty-eight, was sent to the workhouse for thirty days by Magistrate Borland in Pittsburgh. Jack was arrested on a charge of drunkenness. "It's too early for you to be out," said Magistrate Borland, "so I guess I'll put you away for a while."

School patrons of Independence township, near Washington, are on a strike. They refuse to send their children to the schools provided by the directors, and declare that the structure provided does not meet with the approval of the state health authorities.

Two young women and a minister were admitted to practice in common pleas court, Pittsburgh. The girls were Miss Sarah M. Soffel and Miss Lilly Virginia Pickersgill. The clergyman was Rev. John B. Fortunato, interpreter in the criminal court.

Eighteen buildings, including seven residences, comprising four blocks in the business center of Clintonville, were swept by fire that started in the livery stable of E. W. Shaffer, entailing a loss estimated at between \$75,000 and \$80,000.

Thirty-five minutes after Ralph H. Thomas had been held up and robbed by a negro highwayman in Pittsburgh Patrolman Roundtree arrested the highwayman and recovered a watch, a stickpin and \$1.25 stolen from Thomas.

Real estate agents make the statement that there are fewer houses for rent in Connellsville than has ever been known. There is also a heavy demand for houses and this demand will be increased with new industrial activity.

Six children were injured, one probably fatally, when a runaway automobile, dashing down a mountain road at Laurelville, east of Mt. Pleasant, crashed into a group of school children and ground them against a wire fence.

Using a shoe as a weapon, George Graham, prisoner in the Penitentiary, pounded Warden Andrew Neil, aged sixty-five, into unconsciousness, and with Rosie Myers, fifteen, escaped from the institution.

Prompt help from Johnstown, Epswell and other places in the vicinity averted the destruction of Jerome, Seneca county, by fire. The loss will be in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Ten buildings were consumed.

Fire destroyed a barn on the farm of Louis Zeigler of Harmony. Twenty cows and five horses were burned to death and a stack of hay and grain destroyed. The loss exceeds \$13,000.

Joseph Miller, aged sixty-five, a farmer, residing near West Alexander, Pa., was sorely to death by an infuriated bull. The affair occurred but a short distance from his house.

Displayed in a window in a cafe in a radish said to be the largest ever seen about Connellsville. It weighs 1 1/2 pounds and measures 2 1/2 inches in length.

Marcus Aaron, member of the Pittsburgh Board of Education, has been appointed a member of the Pennsylvania Board of Education.

Yeggs blew the safe in the post office at Grand Valley and escaped, though pursued by a posse.

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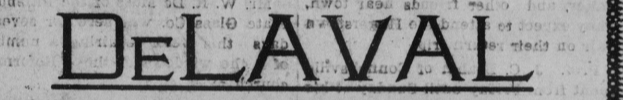
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THE OPEN FIRE

"To get the full flavor of a fire you must know your wood," writes Elisabeth Woodbridge. "I had almost said, you must remember where the tree stood before it was cut—white birch in the dry, worn out slopes, black birches from the edges of the pasture lots, chestnut from the ledges, maple from the swamps, apple from the old orchard."

"But though this may be a refinement of fancy, it is no fancy that one kind of wood differs from another in glory. There is the white birch, gay, light-hearted, volatile, putting all its pretty self into a few flaring moments—a butterfly existence. There is black birch, reluctant but steady; there is chestnut, vivacious, full of sudden enthusiasms; the apple, cheerful and willing, the maple and oak, sober and stanch, good for the long pull."

"Of them all I love the apple best. For a quick blaze throw on the white birch; for a long evening of reading, when one does not want distraction, pile on the oak and the maple. They will burn quietly, unobtrusively, imparting you neither for care nor appreciation. But for a fire to sit before with friends, bring in the apple wood. Lay the great back log, the more gnarled the better, and if there is a hole through which the flames may shoot up, that's the best of all—such logs we board for special occasions. Then with careful touch arrange the wood in front, your bundles of birch, your pretty white birch sticks and your dry chestnut to start the fire, then the big apple sections, the forestick, and the backstick. Ah! there is a solemn fire! There is a fire for friends!"

Where Brides and Grooms Obey Their Parents

County Wexford conservatism shows in the keeping up of many of the old customs. In some quarters the match maker is still an important personage. He or she—usually an old bachelor or a spinster or widow—has a long memory for the marriageable girls and boys among the peasantry of the county, and even of adjoining counties. The young people are not at first consulted; the parents of both are approached, and the talk is not at all of the inclinations of those who are

to marry, but of how much dowry is to go with the girl, and what the young man's father will allow him. For all their warm hearts, the Irish are practical enough; they have to be. There is plenty of innocent love making which never leads to marriage, because the chances for a living in Ireland are limited, and a couple must have a little degree of certainty about the future. Sometimes a young man, cares so much for some particular girl, that he breaks through custom and finds a way of marrying her. One youth of the Barony Forth loved the daughter of a Wicklow farmer who had two hundred acres and corresponding high ideals for his daughter. The youth had ten bare acres and a bare cottage. He appealed to the sympathies of his neighbors, who straightway lent him cows and horses and sheep, carts and machines and furniture, so that when the Wicklow farmer came down to look over the claims of his prospective son-in-law, he saw such shining prosperity that he gladly yielded the daughter.

But in general the parents are very clean about the settlements. More than once all negotiations have been stopped because one father would not set a better against the fatherhood of the other father. There are not, as in America, wide hospital borrowings which promise sufficient better still better beds. The young people, knowing this are content to leave the settlement of their marriage to other hands. The story goes that once a beauty, managing some of Wexford's best out to the job-shop where her daughter was milking the cow. Worn out with negotiations which had not been entirely to her advantage, she looked sourly at the girl, and remarked:

"Well, Maureen, your bans will be put up tomorrow. You'll be married in three weeks time."

"Who to, mother?" asked Maureen timidly.

Upon which her mother snapped, "What's that to you?"—Harper's Magazine.

To remove superfluous hair send your well filled mattress to be done over by a tricky upholsterer.

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