

DISCOURAGE ALL RADICAL BILLS

That Seems Policy of Present Legislature.

AGAINST REVOLUTIONARY ACTS

Speaker Baldwin One of Those Who is Opposed to Passage of Such Legislation in a Critical Period Like Present—Presiding Officer Has Courage.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 29.—With the end of the session hardly more than a month off, though the date of adjournment has not yet been definitely set. Both branches of the legislature are steaming up. Appropriation bills calling for millions are through the house and in the senate committee, from which they will be reported probably the latter part of the present week.



SPEAKER RICHARD J. BALDWIN.

The 1917 legislature will leave behind it a record of fewer revolutionary laws than any previous state law-making body. Though many bills calling for radical changes in the present order of things have been introduced it is doubtful if any will ever reach the governor. Throughout the session it would seem that the aim of the leaders has been to discourage any and every attempt to further upset the people in a period like the present. Measures that would revolutionize existing acts and, thereby, affect the people by adding to their burdens have been frowned upon by those directing legislative affairs with the result that the 1917 session will be remembered not so much for what it did, but what it refused to do in the way of hamstringing and interfering with the people of the state during a war crisis.

Doing Much Good.

It must not be understood, however, that the legislature now sitting is one of non-performances. On the contrary, there are evidences every day of the enactment of those necessary things that will add to the commonwealth and the people. For instance, a code on interstate laws is now being pushed and according to lawyers who have examined the bills, it will place Pennsylvania in the forefront of states protecting the heirs of decedents. This summary of laws pertaining to the orphan's court, together with a number of necessary changes was prepared under the direction of Hon. George Alter, former speaker of the house. It is a most comprehensive set of rules and regulations governing this important subject.

A township code, amendments to the borough laws, which would enable a borough to hire a manager, new third-class city laws and civil service for firemen in third-class cities, are among some of the other acts that will possibly emerge from the deliberations of the present legislature.

Baldwin is Conservative.

One of those chiefly responsible for conservative action by the present legislature is Speaker of the House, Richard J. Baldwin. He promised fight from the outset that the 1917 legislature must not be one of hysteria; that it is not right to keep the people in a state of mortal dread lest laws might be passed that would forever jeopardize their well being. Baldwin never forgets that the masses have certain rights which must be respected and he is not slow to impress upon the other legislators his sentiments regarding this phase of legislative work.

Speaker Baldwin is one of the hardest workers who has occupied the speaker's chair. He is in his office at an early hour every morning and usually long after midnight general and accommodating "Dick" may be found going over some important matter likely to come up the following day.

WASHING THE DISHES.

Doing This Job Only Once a Day, It is Said, Saves Time.

"The careful housekeeper will always resent the suggestion that once a day is often enough to wash dishes," writes Dr. H. Barnard in "Table Talk" in the National Food Magazine. "She cannot train herself to allow soiled plates and silverware to stack up from one meal to the next, for she has been taught that such actions are evidence of shiftless, slovenly housekeeping. As a matter of fact, along with many other notions which are fixed in the operation of the home, both time and energy are saved by cutting out two of the three daily dishwashing jobs."

Dr. Barnard goes on to recite the experience of one housekeeper who actually dared study the homely work of dishwashing. One week she washed dishes three times a day; the next week she washed each day's dishes altogether. She used the same number of dishes each day in both weeks. She found that it took her fifty-one minutes a day to wash dishes after each meal and forty-one minutes a day to wash them once a day.

This took account only of time, but there was a considerable additional saving in gas or fuel consumed by heating water once instead of thrice a day, to say nothing of the saving in soap.

SALT IN THE FOOD.

Why Its Flavor at Times is Too Weak or Too Strong.

The average housewife wonders why she often over or under salts her dishes when she "knows" that she salted them just right, as she always did and as the recipes called for.

The reason is just this: The seasoning value of different brands of salt varies widely. This is easily proved. Take five slices of ripe tomatoes; apply equal parts of five makes of salt upon the separate pieces. Eat as soon as salted. The difference in flavor, permeation, rapidity and equality of dissolution and seasoning value are readily detected.

A table salt should be fine, the crystals of equal size, quickly soluble and free from ingredients which absorb moisture from the air. Large and small crystals will not dissolve uniformly; consequently the full salting effect is not obtained until the large crystals are dissolved. The quickly soluble salt diffuses itself through the food at once and gives an equality of savor. Sticky salt is an intrusive nuisance.

Failures in salting are largely due to changing from one make of salt to another. Get the best grade, grow accustomed to its use and stick to it.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Single File.

When the Indians traveled together they seldom walked or rode two or more abreast, but followed one another in single file. It has been thought by some that this practice resulted from the lack of roads, which compelled them to make their way through woods and around rocks by narrow paths. If this were the real reason for the practice, then we should expect to find that the tribes who lived in open countries traveled in company, as do whites. The true reason for journeying as the Indians did in single file seems to be a feeling of caste. This feeling was at the bottom of other customs of the Indians. It made their women slaves and rendered the men silent and unsocial. This peculiarity is Asiatic. How it has warped and disfigured Hindu life is well known. The women of a Chinese household are seldom seen in the street. The children, when accompanying their father, follow him at a respectful distance, in single file and in the order of their ages.

Poor John!

"Hello! Is this you, mother dear?" "Yes, Sue. What is it? Something awful must have happened for you to call me up at this!" "It's not so awful. But John, dear, hasn't been feeling well, and the doctor gave him pills to take every four hours. I've been sitting up to give them to him, and now it's about time for his medicine, but John has fallen asleep. Should I wake him?" "I wouldn't if I were you. What is he suffering from?" "Insomnia."—Pittsburgh Telegraph-Chronicle.

Smoking In Japan.

In Japan woman has smoked ever since tobacco was introduced and invariably used the pipe of metal with the tiny bowl holding only sufficient tobacco to provide half a dozen whiffs which was in universal use until the cigarette entered Japan with other western innovations.

His Excuse.

"Your honor, I frankly admit that I was exceeding the speed limit, but I was afraid of being late at court." "What was your business at court?" "I had to answer to a charge of exceeding the speed limit."—New York Times.

Friendly Advice.

"We surprised all our friends by getting married." "Good enough. Now surprise 'em by staying married."—Exchange.

An Ancient Cake.

Patience—Would you like to see the cake I got on my twenty-eighth birthday? Patience—Why, yes! Is it well preserved?—Yonkers Statesman.

How blessings brighter as they take their flight!—Young.

He Lacked Concentration.

Speaking of a man who was a failure because of his lack of concentration and his inability to know his own mind five minutes at a time, a captain of industry said he reminded him of a hunting dog he once owned:

"At sunrise the dog would start out on his own hook after deer. He would jump a buck and run him for miles. When the buck was on the point of exhaustion the hound's nostrils would catch the taint in the air where a fox had crossed the trail, and he would instantly decide that, after all, fox was what he had come for, and he would turn aside to pursue the fox. Perhaps an hour later, when the chase was growing warmer every minute, his keen nose would detect the presence of a rabbit, and he would go after the cottontail, with the inevitable result that by 4 o'clock in the afternoon that hound would be thirty or forty miles away from home in a swamp with a chipmunk tree!"—Saturday Evening Post.

George and His Legs.

Bit by bit the historical grubbers are digging out the truth about our immortal George. We have heretofore been told that he wore false teeth and that at Valley Forge he unblushingly deceived his ragged and despondent troops with the arrival of ample supplies of ammunition, which consisted of powder barrels filled with sand, and now a correspondent of the New York Sun declares that in the full length portraits of Washington by Stuart, of which there is one in the New York public library, the legs were not his own. "I have seen the letter from Stuart thanking the true owner for his kindness in providing a symmetrical foundation for the bust of the great president and presenting one of the smaller portraits in thanks for his kindness."

Free Speech.

An old negro woman had lived with a certain family in the south for many years. One day her mistress had occasion to reprimand her quite sharply for something that had gone wrong. The negroess said nothing at the time, but a little later her voice could be heard in the kitchen in shrill vituperation of everything and everybody, with a rattling accompaniment of pans and kettles. So loud became the clamor and so vindictive the exclamations that Mrs. C. went hurriedly down to the kitchen.

"Why, Liza," she began in amazement, "who on earth are you talking to?"

"I ain't talkin' to nobody," the old negroess replied, "but I don't keer who in dis house hyars me."—Harper's Magazine.

Misprints and Maxim Guns.

The late Sir Hiram Maxim says in his autobiography that when he organized the United States Electric Lighting company the printer sent home its stationery with the heading, "The United States Electric Lighting company." When he established his new gun company in England he told of this mistake in order to emphasize the importance of getting the stationery printed correctly. When the first sheets were brought to him however, he found that the English printers had made his concern appear as "The Maxim Gum company."

Easy Generosity.

Mother (to small son)—Dobby, dear, I hoped you would be unselfish enough to give little sister the largest piece of candy. Why, see, even our old hen gives all the nice big dainties to the little chicks and only keeps an occasional tiny one for herself.

Bobby thoughtfully watched the hen and chickens for a time and then said, "Well, mamma, I would, too, if it was worms."—Rochester Times.

A Generation.

In the long lived patriarchal age a generation seems to have been computed at 100 years (Genesis xv, 1). Subsequently the reckoning was the same that has been more recently adopted—that is, from thirty to forty years (Job xiii, 16).

Incongruous.

Little Alick—What is an incongruity, uncle? Uncle William—An incongruity, child, is a divorce lawyer humming a wedding march.

Vegetation in Polar Regions.

The rapid growth of vegetation in the polar regions is attributed to the electric currents in the atmosphere.

PRACTICAL HEALTH HINT.

- Neuralgia.
- Neuralgia means nerve pain.
- Neuritis means inflammation of the nerve. In neuralgia the pain comes and goes. In neuritis the ache is steady and sticks closely to the affected nerve. If the nerve could be taken out and examined we could find nothing abnormal in the case of neuralgia. In neuritis the nerve would be found to be inflamed. The question of what is behind the pain of neuralgia is more important than the answer to the cry for relief. It must be remembered that neuralgia is merely a symptom, not a disease. Sometimes malaria is the underlying cause. Other times it may be due to alcoholism, diabetes, lead poisoning, gout, rheumatism or Bright's disease. A diseased tooth or a diseased ovary may be responsible. In every case treatment must include treatment of the underlying cause.

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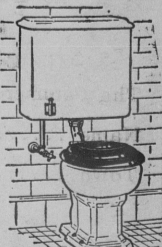
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