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A RECENTLY published report of the Boston Park Commission is interesting. In 1906 twelve miles of road were oiled to keep down the dust, and the result was so satisfactory that in 1907 the whole extent of more than forty miles was treated in this way. Mr. Putman, the engineer, has carefully calculated the cost, and he says the annual cost of sprinkling a 30-foot roadway was \$489 a mile, whereas the cost of oiling the same roadway 30 feet wide was \$375. In addition to laying the dust the asphaltum in the oil had a binding effect on the surface of the road, and very materially lessened the cost for repairs. The oil is put on in an emulsion in which 15 pounds of soap dissolved in 50 gallons of water is mixed with 100 gallons of crude oil, the whole being agitated to the proper point of emulsion, and then 150 gallons of this is mixed with 450 gallons of water and sprinkled on the roads. The plan has given the very best of satisfaction in Boston, and might be treated elsewhere with corresponding satisfactory results.

HON. Alfred Marvin has introduced in the House a joint resolution to provide for the appointment of a commission to act jointly or separately with like commissions from either New York or New Jersey to ascertain the probable cost of acquiring toll bridges across the Delaware river between the States and making an appropriation of \$2,000 for expenses of the commission. Like commissions have been, or will be, appointed by the other states and it is probable that the cost of purchasing the toll bridges will be carefully determined so that bills may carry the proper appropriations. The steps taken should have the cordial support of all citizens. Some bridges may be, and no doubt are, good dividend paying properties but the few stockholders should not be considered to the detriment of the many who are taxed to cross from one state to another.

A BILL has been offered in the Pennsylvania Senate making it a \$25 offense to "treat" friends or others with intoxicants. Further, thirty days in jail for the treader is at the discretion of the court. Senator Walton, a lawyer of Greene county, is the author of the bill, the purpose of which, as the title sets forth, "is to encourage sobriety and temperance." There is no doubt in the world that such a law, if properly observed, or possible of enforcement, would do more for the temperance cause than any amount of prohibitive legislation. Not one moderate drinker in ten ever steps up to the bar and takes his glass alone, and if treating becomes a punishable offense most of them will find small attraction in the saloon. But if half a dozen "good fellows" meet socially, the chances are that each will be outside of at least six drinks before the party breaks up, and find his pocket depleted correspondingly.

THE federal government expenditures for January were more than fifteen million dollars in excess of the receipts. This should not be a matter of much concern to the unthinking taxpayer who is usually satisfied to "let well enough alone," but possibly he will begin to think some if Congress decides to resume some of the Spanish war revenue raising schemes and even go so far as to put a tax on coffee and tea. These means of increasing the revenues are being seriously advocated at Washington.

## OBITUARY.

Bessie, the six year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Canning, of Lackawaxen, died on Thursday morning last, of diphtheria. The funeral services were held on the following day.

Mrs. Barbara Fliederbach died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Mang, in Cherry Ridge, on Tuesday, Feb. 2, 1909, aged thirty-three years, of consumption. She was the widow of John Fliederbach, who died in Honesdale, nine years ago. Besides her parents, she is survived by a son, Edward; four sisters, Mrs. Joseph Bohner, Mrs. George Donnelly and Miss Susan Mang, all living in Newark, N. J., and Mrs. Adam Feik, of this place, and four brothers, Frank, John and George, of Cherry Ridge, and Anthony, of Port Jervis.

Rev. M. K. Zweig, father of Rev. J. B. Zweig, of the Carley Brook M. E. church, died on Thursday evening of last week, at his home at Reading, aged 71 years. He was a school teacher by profession, having served 45 years in that capacity in Berks, Lehigh, Carbon and Schuylkill counties. The widow and seven children are left to mourn their loss. Rev. W. H. Zweig, of Cherry Valley; Rev. J. B. Zweig, of Carley Brook; Edgar B. Zweig, of Reading; Mrs. Benjamin Lloyd, of Cumbola, Pa., and Mrs. Behrer, wife of Rev. William S. Behrer, of Herndon, Pa.

## HARRISBURG LETTER.

### A Flood of Bills—What Legislation is Needed—Corporations, Forestry, Pensions and Local Option Taking Precedence.

[From our Special Correspondent.]  
FEB. 1st.—Since the beginning of the present session upward of four hundred bills have been introduced, many of them appropriation bills. Probably not more than that number will reach the Governor, for in a short session like the present one bids fair to be, many good measures fall by the wayside, and a whole lot of good ones fall of passage. With such a flood of bills under way it is impossible to take more than passing notice of even those of greatest importance.

Representative Dansmore, of Tioga county, has offered a bill to double the tax of five mills on the capital stock of corporations, the extra five mills to be paid over to the counties for the purpose of reducing local taxation. While the State needs some revenue of this kind, and the counties also, this bill will hardly become a law. A similar measure passed the House two years ago but was killed in the Senate. Corporations are complaining of burdensome taxes under the present system. Mr. Dansmore has introduced another bill which is more likely to become a law, and which is badly needed at this time to correct some inequalities of taxation. It provides for a Commission of fifteen members, five to be appointed by the Governor, five by the President pro tem. of the Senate and five by the Speaker of the House, to revise and codify the revenue laws of the State, and report to the Legislature of 1911. The members of the commission will serve without pay, but \$30,000 is asked for to defray expenses. The last general revenue act was passed in 1889 and changed conditions make a revision necessary.

Pennsylvania needs a Legislative reference bureau and is likely to get it this year. It would prevent a duplication of laws, save time and money and secure some good, needed legislation. New members are not familiar with acts already on the books, nor with the facts in connection with bills similar to those they are bringing in, which have been turned down heretofore. A bill introduced last week provides for three auditors to audit the accounts of all institutions receiving State aid, each Auditor to receive a salary of \$3,000 a year and expenses. At present the State has a law authorizing five traveling Auditors, with exactly similar duties, at a salary of \$1,500 and expenses. Here is where the reference bureau comes in. Every bill is referred to this bureau for information on what this State has done, what other states have done or are doing along certain lines, and what discussion in public prints can be placed before those desiring information. A labor saving arrangement.

So far there have been three bills offered in the Legislature to pension soldiers enlisting from this State in the civil war, the amount required to pay in each case running into the millions. McDowell's bill carries an appropriation of \$3,000,000; McJenkins' a similar amount, while Townsend's calls for \$2,250,000. The bill favored by the G. A. R., similar to the one that passed the Legislature of 1907 has not yet been introduced.

Local option bills are expected soon and a warm fight is looked for. It is understood that Representative Fair of Westmoreland, will introduce the bill prepared by the Anti-Saloon League, and around this one the fight will center. The Speaker has promised to give it a fair show and the floor of the House will be the arena. Incidentally a flood of remonstrances against any local option law is being laid before the Legislature and referred to the proper committee.

Hon. Gifford Pinchot, National Commissioner of Forestry, will address a meeting on Wednesday evening in the interest of forest preservation, by arrangement with Representative Marvin, of the Forestry Committee. Pennsylvania woke up, not too late, to the fact that something needed doing, and the hundreds of thousands of acres now owned by the State, which will be planted and tended, will eventually remedy a condition which had threatened to cause infinite trouble.

That fertile source of trouble and investigation, the Legislative Record, is again to the front, like Banquo's ghost, that will not down. At present the State is paying high-water mark prices for it, \$12 per page, which some people think is too much. Certainly the contractor don't lose much money at that figure. During the session of 1907 a committee was appointed to investigate the conditions surrounding this contract, but the committee was not required to report and good-naturedly allowed the end of the session to slip past without saying much. The Chairman of that committee tried hard to get back as a member at this session, but failed.

Deputy Attorney General Fred. W. Fleitz has announced that he will retire at the close of the present session of the Legislature and look after his private practice. No official about the Hill is more popular, and deservedly so, than Mr. Fleitz, and he will be very much missed. It was generally believed that the Assistant Deputy Attorney General, Jesse E. B. Cunningham, of Westmoreland county, would succeed him, but that gentleman is conducting a warm

canvass for the nomination for Judge in his home county, and if successful, he also will retire in January next. His opponent is James S. Beacom, a former State Treasurer, who is something of a fighter himself. The Attorney General, Hon. M. Hampton Todd, is spoken of as a possible candidate for Judge of the Supreme Court this year.

The report of Auditor General R. K. Young for the fiscal year ending Nov. 30, 1908, which was sent to the Governor on Friday last, received considerable discussion at the hands of the large dailies. Gen. Young broke all records by completing his report within two months after the close of the year and has set a mark for his successors. In his letter the Auditor General calls attention to the need of legislation providing for equalization of taxes, particularly the taxation of subjects not now taxed. He also favors a tax commission. His suggestions meet with favor generally at the hands of the press.

N. E. HAUSE.

### G. A. R. Installation Services.

The installation of the officers of Capt. James Ham Post, G. A. R., and of the Ladies Circle, for the year 1909, took place last Friday evening, at the Post Room, in the presence of members of the Post, the Circle, and invited guests. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. Thomas M. Jordan, Assistant Rector of St. John's (R. C.) church.

The Maple City Drum Corps furnished the martial music for the occasion, opening with the "long roll," and following, at intervals, with "Glory Hallelujah" and other war time melodies. These were very effectively given, and recalled the days of the war.

The orchestral music was furnished by Sonner's orchestra, and its selections of patriotic and other airs added largely to the interest and entertainment of the occasion.

The vocal music was a patriotic song and medley, given in a very pleasing manner by Miss Gladys Mantle.

The installation services of the Post were the first in order. The officers installed were the following:  
Commander—Henry Wilson.  
Senior Vice Commander—J. E. Cook.  
Junior Vice Commander—Stuart O. Lincoln.

Officer of the Day—I. N. Forman.  
Quartermaster—Graham Watts.  
Chief of the Guard—Michael Weber.  
Chaplain—Peter R. Collum.  
Adjutant—Benjamin Gardner.

The Mastering Officer was Halsey Lathrop, of Griffin Post, Scranton, who went to the front in May, 1861, in the first company that left Honesdale—Company C, 6th Pa. Reserves. The Officer of the Day, I. N. Forman, who went out at the same time, in the same company, performed the duties of that position during the services.

Then followed the installation of the officers of the Ladies' Circle. Following were the officers installed:  
President—Mrs. Wm. Clark.  
Senior Vice President—Mrs. Isaac H. Ball.  
Junior Vice President—Mrs. George Searles.

Treasurer—Mrs. D. B. Mantle.  
Secretary—Miss Jennie M. Ball.  
Chaplain—Mrs. Mary Thorpe.  
Conductress—Mrs. Wm. Kinsinger.  
Assistant Conductress—Miss Nellie Cook.

Guard—Mrs. Wm. McArthur.  
Assistant Guard—Mrs. Geo. B. Kimble.  
These officers were severally escorted to the altar, for installation, by a guard of honor, consisting of eight charming young ladies—viz:

Nella Kimble, Florence Kimble, Lizzie Burger, Mildred Freeman, Constance Kimble, Rebecca Gillen, Merle Eldred and Daphne Williams.

They were dressed in white, and equipped with wooden javelins, decorated with streamers showing the national colors, which were held in an arch over the heads of the officers while the obligation was administered. They had been carefully trained for this service by Mrs. Wm. Clark; and they executed a variety of manoeuvres with a grace and precision that aroused much admiration.

The Installing Officer was Mrs. C. E. Baker, Past President of the Ladies' Circle.

Following the installation services, the speakers of the evening were successively introduced by the Post Commander. The opening address was delivered by Chief Burgess Thomas J. Ham, and he was succeeded by W. W. Wood, Homer Greene, Halsey Lathrop, and Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Swift.

lory that preserved the Union and delivered "the land of the free" from the stain of slavery. They realize, too, that the long pathway over which you have passed since the close of that strife, which bears the footprints of your journey of forty-four years, is also marked by the headstones of scores of your comrades who fell by the wayside. They know, as you know, that the last milestone for the last survivor of your gallant band cannot be far ahead; that there the last and all-conquering enemy patiently abides your coming, and is certain of his victory. And this knowledge gives a tinge of awe to the admiration with which they regard you, as you advance unshrinking to the last encounter. What wonder that, as one by one you drop from your places in the line, the public sense of gratitude becomes more and more deep and pervading. What honors will not be heaped on your last survivor, who, some day, may visit these rooms, the scene of so many glad reunions, and, looking at the seats which there will be none to fill, recalls the words of the poet—

"When I remember all  
The friends once linked together,  
I've seen around me fall  
Like leaves in wintry weather,  
I feel like one who treads alone  
Some banquet hall deserted:  
Whose lights are dead,  
Whose garlands faded,  
And all but he departed."

The addresses of Messrs. Wood and Lathrop were largely reminiscent of the stirring scenes of the war, through which they had passed, and were marked by a realism arising from their experiences in camp and battlefield, with entertaining episodes of foraging expeditions.

Mr. Greene entertained the audience by reading a passage from his latest story, about to be published in the Youth's Companion, in which the scenes of the evening of April 14, 1865, in and near Ford's Theatre, Washington, with the assassination of President Lincoln as the climax, were vividly depicted.

The lateness of the hour when Dr. Swift was announced led him to say that he would not detain his audience from the waiting camp-fire tables by an extended address. What he did say, however, was in his happiest vein, and kept his hearers in the best of humor.

Alluding to the army experiences of a previous speaker, Mr. Wood, who, at the age of sixteen, left home in opposition to his parents' wishes and enlisted in the Union service, he said he greatly regretted that he had not had a similar experience, which was quite within the range of possibilities, as Mr. Wood and himself were born on the same day of the same month of the same year. Referring to Mr. Greene as one of the dependable speakers for such occasions, he marvelled how any one could go to the Lyric to hear Homer Davenport, when they had an opportunity the same evening to hear Homer Greene. His closing words embodied the expression of his wish that at the final roll call of the ransomed by the Great Captain, all of his veteran hearers would be prepared to answer "here!"

The banquet, prepared by the Ladies' Circle, with which the affair closed, was among the best in the history of the Circle, and received ample justice, with evident appreciation.

### Basket Ball.

A very interesting game of basket ball was played between the Honesdale and the White Mills teams, at the latter place on Saturday evening. The game was hard fought, it being the deciding contest of a series. In Saturday night's battle the Honesdale team were victors by the score of 30 to 16.

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