

BENCH CONGRESS LIKE COMMONS

Plans Reduce House One-third, but With More Seats.

SHELVES TO REPLACE DESKS.

Changes Likely to Be Made in Time For Opening of Sixty-second Session In December, 1911—Orators Will Benefit, as Extreme Lung Power Will Not Be a Necessity.

Plans for reducing by over one-third the size of the hall in which the national house of representatives sits and yet increasing the number of seats for members have just been completed.

Less Lung Power Necessary.

Agitation for a reduction in the size of the hall of the house has been continuous for several years.

Visitors to the house who have heard the great debates in the house of commons or in the chamber of deputies have not been complimentary to the American statesmen, and their comments have more than once drifted to the ears of members of the house.

In searching for a cause the American politicians have discovered it in the size of the hall in which they must carry on their debates.

The plan now proposed will not involve any structural changes in the main walls of the capitol, and if after trial the new house is found to be unsatisfactory or too small the hall can be changed to its present size by knocking out of the partitions which practically make the smaller hall a chamber within a chamber.

Smaller Than Present Senate.

If the plan now proposed is carried out the hall in which sit the 400 members of the house will be smaller than the chamber in which gather the ninety-two soon to be ninety-six—United States senators.

One of the objections raised against the former plan for a smaller house was that pillars were to be placed in front of the galleries.

Inasmuch as the ceiling will not be lowered, it is thought that the other galleries, while reduced in length in accordance with the reduced length of the sides, will be wider and have enough more rows of seats to accommodate the same number as now.

FAMOUS PEARLS ARE "DYING"

Noted Necklaces Losing Their Luster Through Disuse.

The great pearl necklace in the Louvre museum, consisting of 145 pearls and valued at \$300,000, which was once the property of Mme. Thiers, was reported some time ago to be "dying."

According to a London paper, the same deterioration has been noticed in a rope of pearls belonging to the wife of a peer.

"After a death in the family four years ago the owner of the jewels had them locked away," says the owner of the article, "in a dark place, the atmosphere of which must have influenced the luster of the pearls. They were taken out a few days ago and found to be perfectly dull. The change which has been known to take place in many years occurred here in a comparatively short time."

Samoa Population is Small. The population of the Samoan Islands, according to the 1909 census, was 6,780.

LE BLANC GIRL NOT GUILTY.

Crowd Cheers When She is Acquitted of Murdering Laundryman.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 15.—Weeping, a shrinking French-Canadian girl of seventeen years stood in the dock of the Middlesex county criminal court, gazed at the impassive faces of a jury of twelve farmers and mechanics and amid an intense stillness heard from the lips of the jury's foreman the words "Not guilty."

As the foreman announced the acquittal of Hattie Le Blanc on the charge of murdering Clarence F. Glover, a Waltham laundry owner, the crowd that jammed the courtroom broke into loud cheering, and the defendant sank back into her seat beside the matron of the Cambridge jail, rested her head upon the matron's shoulder, and both girl and woman wept tears of joy.

NO HOME FOR HENS THERE.

West Point Officers Must Abolish Their Chicken Yards.

Newburg, N. Y., Dec. 15.—There will be no more chickens allowed to be kept at West Point. Heretofore the officers and soldiers have kept a few for eggs and broilers, but General Barry has directed that they must be done away with.

Highland Falls, a village adjoining the military reservation, is greatly excited over rumors as to what General Barry, the new superintendent, proposes doing. The cadet mess employs about twenty-three civilians, who are to be replaced by enlisted men; also thirty-five teams owned by civilians will be displaced by government teamsters. Most of the civilians employed at West Point are residents of Highland Falls.

AFTER OIL TRUST AGAIN.

North Carolina Charges Attempt to Put a Competitor Out of Business.

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 15.—The Standard Oil company is being prosecuted under the new state antitrust law by the attorney general of North Carolina. The maximum penalty in case of conviction is \$40,000.

The charge is the alleged attempt of the Standard Oil company to put its only competitor out of business, the Indian Refining company, which began business here forty weeks ago, by reducing the price of the Standard Oil product from 12 1/2 to 7 1/2 cents a gallon gradually in this city, while selling at a higher rate in other towns of the state.

A Lockout Ended.

London, Dec. 15.—The lockout of boiler makers in the Northern shipyards, which began on Sept. 2, is over. The men have accepted the terms recently drawn up by a conference committee of the employers and workmen and resumed work today. Some 30,000 men were locked out.

FOUND A \$700 DIAMOND.

Woman, Thinking It Glass, Offers to Sell It For 50 Cents.

New York, Dec. 15.—Sweeping down the office steps of a dentist, Mrs. Bertha Kelly, the caretaker, found an earring set with a stone cut like a diamond. She showed it to her brother, who lives with her in the basement of the house. He told her it was glass and worth about a dollar.

Mrs. Kelly took it to a pawnbroker. He asked her how much she wanted to borrow on it.

"Could you go as far as 50 cents?" asked Mrs. Kelly.

The pawnbroker said he would see and quickly telephoned to the East Fifty-first street police station that a woman was offering a wonderfully brilliant diamond worth \$700 for 50 cents.

A detective hurried to the pawnshop and heard Mrs. Kelly's story of finding the diamond. He gave Mrs. Kelly a receipt for the gem and deposited it with the property clerk at police headquarters. If no owner is discovered it will become the property of the finder.

A NEW JOB FOR ELLIS?

Taft May Appoint Ohio Man to a Judgeship.

Washington, Dec. 15.—President Taft is expected to announce a number of important federal appointments to Ohio men within the next few days. Wade H. Ellis, former chairman of the Republican state executive committee of Ohio, it is said, will be offered a place on the bench of the court of customs appeals.

Granville W. Mooney, former speaker of the Ohio house, is said to be slated for appointment as secretary of Porto Rico, while Carmel A. Thompson, whose term as secretary of state of Ohio will expire Dec. 31, is to be appointed assistant secretary of the interior to succeed Jesse E. Wilson.

FIRE INSURANCE CHEAPER.

Announcement of 5 Per Cent Reduction Benefits Policy Holders.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Fire Insurance exchange has announced a general reduction in rates in this city of 5 per cent, which means a saving of \$1,250,000 to policy holders.

After the official announcement of the rate reduction was made Willis O. Hobb, president of the exchange, took pains to emphatically deny that the action of the exchange had been brought about by exposure of trust methods made before the legislative investigating committee.

15 PIECE DINNER SET \$5.00 ENGLISH FLOE BLUE CHINA WARE

SHERIFF'S SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE. By virtue of process issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Wayne county, and State of Pennsylvania, and to me directed and delivered, I have levied on and will expose to public sale, at the Court House in Honesdale, on

FRIDAY, JAN. 13, 1911, 2 P. M.

All those two parcels of land, situated in Mount Pleasant township, Wayne county, Pennsylvania.

The first: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of lot of land in the possession of Thomas Meagher, Jr., at a point in the middle of said road, running thence by the said Meagher land north eighty-four degrees west two hundred twenty-eight rods to a corner; thence south six degrees west seventy rods to a corner; thence south eighty-four degrees east two hundred twenty-eight rods to the middle of said road; thence along the middle of said road to place of beginning, containing 100 acres more or less.

Excepting and reserving from above described lot about two and one-fourth acres as reserved in deed dated Aug. 5, 1904, from C. F. Wright et al. to Marian R. Hugaboom, also excepting 285 perches of land which Marian R. Hugaboom et al. by deed dated Sept. 2, 1904, recorded in Wayne county in Deed Book 93, page 24, granted to Morris Meagher.

The second lot: Beginning at the southwest corner in center of the Belmont and Oquaga Turnpike road, and the south line of land of James Dalphen; thence north eighty-two degrees east one hundred forty-nine and five-tenths rods to the middle of west branch of Lackawaxen creek; thence southward along center of said creek sixty-five and two-tenths rods to corner of land of Oscar Bates; thence south eighty-two degrees west by said line of Bates to a corner in the center of said turnpike road; thence north along said Turnpike road sixty-five and two-tenths rods to place of beginning, containing 50 acres, more or less. Being same lot which Oscar Bates sold to Marian R. Hugaboom on land contract dated Nov. 8, 1901.

The first lot is unimproved and the second lot is improved with a frame house and barn, and a portion of land is cultivated.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Marian Hugaboom and H. C. Noble, M. D., at the suit of Wayne County Savings Bank, No. 111, March Term, 1908. Judgment, \$400. Kimble, Attorney.

ALSO

All that certain piece or parcel of land, situate in the township of Scott, county of Wayne, and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a pine stump on the bank of the west branch of the Delaware River and running south seven-thirty degrees east twenty rods to a stake; thence south seventy-three degrees east twenty rods to a stake on the river road; thence south one and one-half degrees east fifty-two rods to a stake in the creek road; thence south twenty-five degrees west thirty-four rods to a stones corner; thence south seventy-three and one-half degrees west fourteen rods to a stake; thence south eighty-three and one-half degrees west twelve rods; thence south seventy-five degrees west, fourteen rods to a stake; thence south seventeen degrees west fifty rods to a hemlock tree; thence south eighty-seven degrees east thirty rods to a stones corner; thence north seventy degrees east forty rods to a stones corner; thence north fourteen and three-fourth degrees west forty-six rods to a stones by the creek; thence north sixty-one degrees east fifty-one rods down the creek to a stake; thence north sixteen degrees east twenty-nine rods to a stake down the creek; thence north two degrees east forty-six rods to a stake; thence north fifty-six degrees east eight rods to a stake; thence north twenty-five and three-fourth degrees east ten rods to a stake; thence north forty-three degrees west, sixteen rods to a stake; thence south eighty degrees west, thirty-five rods to a stake and thence north eighty-five degrees west twenty rods to the place of beginning; containing forty-six acres of land more or less. Being the same land that Marvin Wheeler conveyed to Rebecca G. More by deed recorded in D. B. No. 41, page 338. Also part of Lot No. 10 upon which Rebecca More now lives, containing 106 acres, excepting one-half acre fenced for burying ground and about one-half acre sold D. L. Demoney. Said lot being situated in Buckingham township. Also excepting ten acres sold to the Ball's Eddy Chemical Company.

The land intended to be conveyed being same which is described in deed from Wm. H. Stone, adm'r of Rebecca G. More to Clair E. More, D. B. 85, page 94. Upon said land is a frame house, two barns and over one hundred acres of the land is improved.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Clair E. More, at the suit of Leander Howard assigned to C. V. More to the use of Edwin N. Mumentel. No. 95, October Term, 1910. Judgment, \$945. Kimble, Attorney.

TAKE NOTICE—All bids and costs must be paid on day of sale or deeds will not be acknowledged.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of THE WAYNE COUNTY FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY will be held in the office of the company, in Honesdale, on

Monday, January 2, 1911,

at 10 o'clock a. m. for the transaction of general business, and that an election will be held at the same place of meeting between the hours of one and four p. m. of said day, for the purpose of electing ten members of said company to serve as Directors for the ensuing year.

Every person insured in said company is a member thereof and entitled to one vote.

AMENDMENTS.

First—Resolved that Article Five of the Constitution which reads as follows: "The Business and affairs of the Company shall be managed by a board of Directors, to be composed of ten members of the company who are to be chosen annually by the members of the company, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business; they shall fix the compensation of all officers; fill the vacancies occurring by resignation and otherwise, until the next succeeding election. The election for said directors shall be held annually at Honesdale, on the first Monday of January of each year, between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock p. m., said election to be by ballot, subject to the directions and provisions of the Act of Assembly under which this company is incorporated," be amended so as to read when amended as follows: "The business and affairs of the Company shall be managed by a Board of Directors, to be composed of ten members of the Company, who are to be chosen annually by members of the Company, a majority of whom shall constitute a quorum to transact business; they shall fix the compensation of all officers; fill the vacancies occurring by resignation or otherwise, until the next succeeding election. The said election for directors shall be held annually at Honesdale, on the first Monday of January of each year, between the hours of one and two o'clock p. m., said election to be by ballot, subject to the directions and provisions of the Act of Assembly under which the company is incorporated."

Second—And that Article 8 of the Constitution which reads as follows: "Buildings that are insured in any other insurance Company shall not be insured in this Company, and no property outside the limits of Wayne county, and Palmyra and Greene township, Pike county, will be received for insurance by this Company," be amended so as to read when amended as follows: "Buildings that are insured in other insurance companies may be insured in this Company only when the consent of the agent and secretary of this Company is duly written in the policy, and the territory for writing insurance in this Company, shall be Wayne and Pike counties and such additional territory as the majority of the directors at their regular meeting may determine.

PERRY A. CLARK, Secretary.

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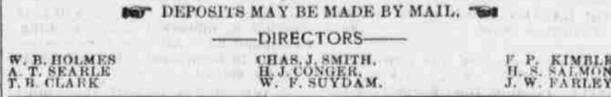
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