

NEXT FALL PRIMARY ELECTION SEPTEMBER 19

House Votes for Change of Date Because Jewish Holiday Falls on 18th

PROTECTION TO MEMBERS

Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil Says Law Would Safeguard Their Interests

From a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, March 21.

A bill to place all fraternal societies under the control of the State Insurance Department was introduced in the Senate today by Senator William E. Crow, of Pottsville, at the request of Insurance Commissioner J. Denny O'Neil.

The measure is the second of the series of insurance bills which O'Neil will have presented to the Legislature. O'Neil today issued a statement in which he explained the provisions of the bill in full. His statement follows:

"The act defining fraternal benefit societies is designed to provide a specific method for the operation of societies working through the lodge system and fixing a plan of operation so that all such societies shall absolutely carry out every contract."

"This act was drafted by a committee of the National Convention of Insurance Commissioners in conjunction with a committee of the National Fraternal Congress of the United States, of which association virtually every recognized fraternal society is a member. It has also been approved and recommended for adoption in this State by the representative fraternal societies of Pennsylvania."

"The act in exactly the form as presented is now a law in thirty-four States, including New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut and virtually all of the eastern States except Pennsylvania."

"This act requires all fraternal organizations to be under the direct supervision of the Insurance Department, provides a comprehensive method for organizing new societies, and requires that all societies shall gradually adjust their rates on a table of mortality which has been adopted by the National Fraternal Congress itself. This is not required to be done at once, but each society is given a period of time within which to accomplish this, a certain percentage of improvement being required each year until solvency is obtained."

"The present laws applicable to fraternal societies are wholly inadequate to cover the situation today and give the Insurance Department no supervision whatever over such societies. Any five persons, no matter how irresponsible, can apply to the court and obtain a charter which will enable them to operate without adequate protection for policyholders, and without any supervision whatever by the department, and irresponsible societies from other States can, by merely applying for registration, transact business in the State without any supervision."

"Most of the insurance trouble at the present time is due to the fact that such societies have been operating without being subject to any supervision, and hundreds of thousands of dollars have been lost to policy holders through mismanagement. In the majority of cases the only resource the families of the deceased members of these organizations have is the amount of benefits agreed to be paid them under their policies, and if the society is not solvent, these families are left without any support whatever."

"It is manifestly the duty of the State to provide such laws as will adequately protect the many thousands of people who become members of these organizations."

FOUR SALOONS SEEKING COATESVILLE LICENSES

Circulars Inviting Negro Workmen to Town Repudiated by Employers

WEST CHESTER, Pa., March 21.—Hearings on four new applications for hotel licenses in Coatesville are being held by the License Court this afternoon. The Court recently refused all the applicants for a renewal of old licenses.

Court announced that witnesses to prove necessity for the hotels only would be heard.

Dozens of citizens are on hand to testify against the necessity of the licenses, and the afternoon session will be required to take the evidence and give the attorneys opportunity for argument.

A circular issued by an employment agency at Norfolk, Va., asking men to report at Coatesville for work in the steel plants was distributed in the court room and about the streets of this place today in proof of the claim that the undesirable negro element in Coatesville was established there by the very men who are fighting the hotels. Mr. Charles F. Huston, one of the heads of the Lukens firm, indignantly denied any knowledge of the circular, declaring it had been issued by an employment agency and that his firm has refused to endorse methods which would take an undesirable class of men into the city.

The circular read as follows:

Colored men—For Lukens Iron and Steel Company, steel plant, Coatesville, Pa., pay 22 1/2 cents an hour, six days a week. Mr. Jackson at our office, we ship tomorrow. Coatesville is our home, we are sure men come, go where you are well paid, and treated and where your personal right of a little drink is allowed you. See Virginia Business Exchange, largest shippers of labor in the South, 318 North Second street, Richmond, Va. No. 4, Railroad avenue, Hopewell, Va. Mr. Huston declared he had not led the firm through A. S. Jackson, engaged in securing men, to discontinue such methods, and this had been done some time ago. When a copy of the circular was presented to court the judges refused to even consider it as evidence of a point against Mr. Huston or his firm.

Hearing on the application for a license for the Aigien Hotel was concluded this morning and the case was held under advisement.

WILMINGTON FIRE BILL UP IN DELAWARE SENATE

Hears Arguments for and Against Paying Flame Fighters

DOVER, Del., March 21.—The Senate Committee on Municipal Corporations gave hearing today to advocates and opponents of the Connelly bill providing for a paid fire department in the city of Wilmington. A large number of Wilmington citizens appeared for and against the bill, the latter consisting of members of the volunteer fire companies, who object to its passage. Senator Gorman presided over the hearing. William E. Douglas, of the Rotary Club, and J. H. Howland, representing the Board of Fire Underwriters, spoke in favor of the measure, while John W. Edwards, of the city, and George W. Edwards, of the city, spoke against it.

Edwards are making an effort to have Wilmington rural New Castle County fire department in the city of Wilmington. He is anxious to get the required money to be a vote to reconsider. The bill was passed by the city of Philadelphia.

WILKES-BARRE SUFFERS FROM STRANGE DISEASE

Consignment of Tropical Parrots Starts Department Store Epidemic

STATE DOCTOR ON SCENE

Dr. Thomas W. Jackson, Typhus Expert, Rushed From Harrisburg

By a Staff Correspondent

HARRISBURG, March 21.—Dr. Thomas W. Jackson, acting assistant to the Commissioner of Public Health, was hurriedly summoned to Wilkes-Barre today to take personal charge of a hundred or more cases of a yet undiagnosed disease which has spread among employees of a large department store there.

The employees are suffering from a peculiar ailment. They are believed to have contracted it through handling of a consignment of Mexican parrots.

Doctor Jackson, who is on his way to Wilkes-Barre, is a typhus expert. He only recently returned from active service along this line in Serbia.

It was stated at the Bureau of Public Health that it is not believed the Wilkes-Barre people are suffering from typhus. No definite reports are yet available. One report says a couple of deaths have occurred.

Commissioner of Health Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, acquainted of the Wilkes-Barre situation, at once got in communication with the firm in Chicago that shipped the parrots to Wilkes-Barre. The Federal Department of Agriculture has been asked to enforce the quarantine on Mexican and South American parrots pending the investigation at Wilkes-Barre.

There is an epidemic of influenza at Wilkes-Barre and it is just possible that many of the cases reported from the department store may come under this heading, an official of the Health Department said.

Doctor Minor has been in telephonic communication with the department throughout the day. The situation, it appears, has become alarming in Wilkes-Barre.

Officials here who talked with Doctor Jackson prior to his leaving for Wilkes-Barre are inclined to believe that there is no great cause for alarm. From the facts



Photo by Evans Studio R. W. TUNIS President of the National Service Bureau, who has offered the services of the bureau to the Government in event of war.

RESENTS INSULT TO U. S. A.

Man's Head Cut in Quarrel Resulting From Patriotic Call

John Howard, sixty-three years old, 2555 East Sergeant street, went into a saloon near his home last night and asked that all those who would defend the United States in time of war to sign a paper which he had in his hand. John Straas, 2683 Collins street, made an insulting remark, it is said, which Howard resented, and in the ensuing quarrel Howard's head was split open with a beer glass.

Magistrate Dixie, sitting at the Trenton avenue and Dauphin street station, thought there was enough evidence to warrant him in holding Straas for hitting Howard, so the man, who is a Russian Pole, was sold under

MYSTERIOUS MALADY AFFECTS STORE CLERKS

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 21.—The medical profession of Wilkes-Barre has been baffled by outbreak of a peculiar fever among the employees of the largest department store in this city. More than fifty of the clerks and store officials have been stricken with the mysterious fever, and conditions have become so alarming that the State Department of Health is sending medical men here to confer with the physicians of the city.

The State health officials will confer with the Luzerne County medical society tonight to discuss the disease and to arrange for a number of blood tests with the hope of definitely determining the nature of the disease and to find means of combating it soon after the Boston store was cleared of a large number of Mexican parrots. One after another of the clerks was stricken, and doctors, baffled by the disease, were inclined to think that it was a contagious disease, having its beginning here in the parrots. Doctors say there is such a thing as "parrot fever," of which they admit that very little is known.

The patients of the disease now prevalent among the clerks and officials have symptoms of typhoid, but blood tests have seemed to eliminate typhoid as the possibility. Doctors declare that the disease may prove to be a violent form of grip or it is possible that it may be typhus fever, they say, although it is admitted that typhus fever is never found this far north. Many

of the patients have been ill for many days. They suffer from intense pains in the heads and other typhoid symptoms. The fact that none of the members of the families of the clerks have been stricken seems to indicate that it is an epidemic that has gone the rounds of the clerks and strengthens the theory that the fever was brought here by the parrots.

The store has not been quarantined and there have been no outbreaks among the patrons.

REGRETS QUITTING JOB; ENDS LIFE

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 21.—Thomas Creswell, forty-two years old, of Branchdale, brooding over the fact that he had relinquished his work at a colliery, committed suicide by hanging. Early yesterday Creswell told his wife he would visit a neighbor. When he failed to return, Mrs. Creswell sent a boy to the home at which he said he would visit. He was not there. The body was found late yesterday suspended from a limb of a tree on a hillside.

PATTON ASKS AMENDMENT FOR CITY PENSION ACT

A bill amending the pension act for municipal employees in Philadelphia, so as to include 300 additional employees and to eliminate the possibility of former city employees who have held office for almost the twenty years that are required for service and then seek re-appointment for a few days in order to obtain the pension, was introduced in the Legislature today by Senator Patton, of Philadelphia.

The Patton bill amends the act of 1915, which provides a pension fund for all municipal employees who have served the city for twenty years or more.

The amendments would require employees who have served for eighteen years or more, but not for twenty years, to hold office for at least two years additional before they could obtain the pension.

The 300 additional employees that would be entitled to the pensions under the proposed amendments include the janitors and engineers employed by the city and the clerks of the Board of Education.

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FRANCE TO FIGHT FOES TO THE END, SAYS RIBOT

New Premier Delivers Stinging Declaration—Present Victories Preface to Supreme Effort

PARIS, March 21.—"We are now in a position where we can fight with equal strength of arms as long as necessary, having what our enemies do not have, the sentiment that we are defending the cause of right and of civilization."

So read a stinging statement issued by the new Premier, Alexandre Ribot, today to the people of France. It was his formal "Cabinet declaration."

Ribot reaffirmed France's intention to fight to the end. He saluted France's victorious soldiers "already liberating part of the invaded territory, which is only a preface to new and supreme efforts against the enemy."

The new Premier likewise announced new taxes and a law to prohibit importation from foreign countries of articles unnecessary to the life of the country.

"With our allies," he concluded, "we have the common ideal and spirit of liberty and brotherhood, which guarantees the future peace wished by the President of the great American republic as to condition and organization of society and of nations."

The message also "salutes Russia" and expresses the hope that the "revolution will go on without shedding of blood."

WOMAN SUES HUSBAND WHO WEARS SILK SOCKS

Separate Maintenance Seeker Says All She Can Get Is Cotton Stockings

Mrs. Sarah Margaret Haines in her suit for separate maintenance against Frank Haines, of Palmyra, testified that while her husband wore silk socks and shirts and \$25 suits, she was forced to wear cotton stockings, \$1.48 vest skirts and \$10 suits.

She testified that they were married in February, 1914, and the first months of their married life were of unbounded bliss, but after that, she said, her one-time dutiful husband began to neglect her.

The case, heard by Master in Chancery Grey, of Camden, is still pending.

L-39 Lost Returning From London

BERLIN, March 21.—The Admiralty announced that Zeppelin L-39, which was brought down near Compiègne, France, last Saturday, was one of the airships which took part in the London raid of the previous night.

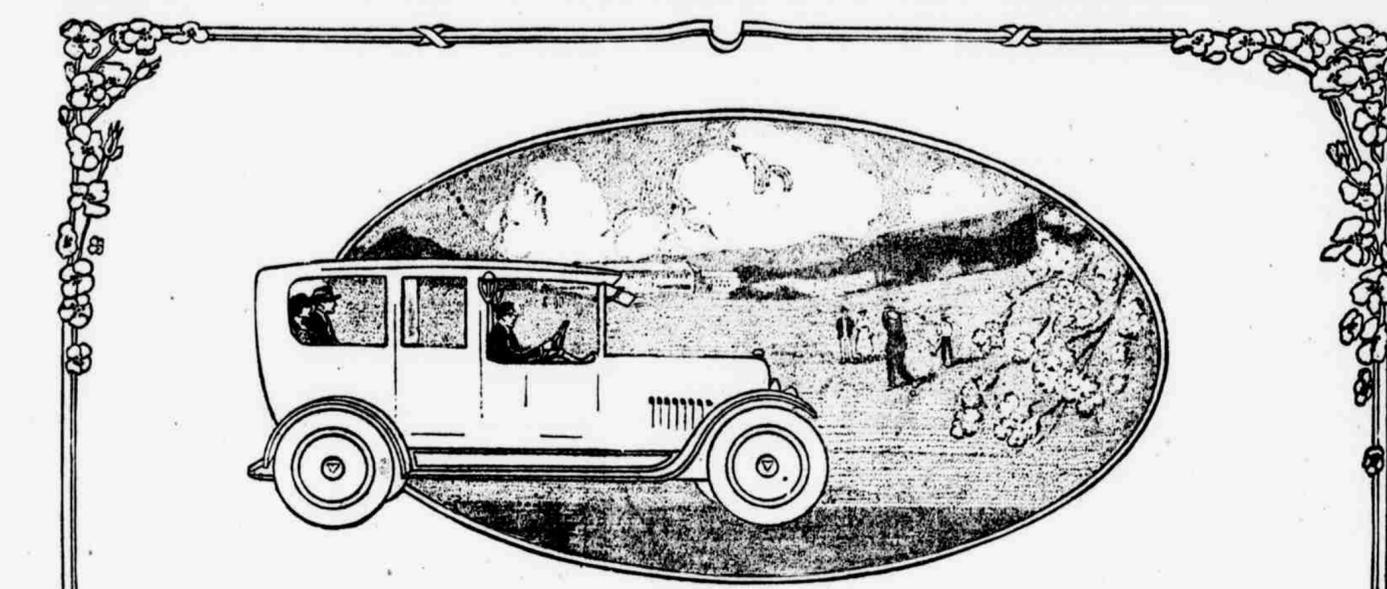


Clear your skin. Make your face a business asset.

That skin-trouble may be more than a source of suffering and embarrassment—it may be holding you back in the business world, keeping you out of a better job for which a good appearance is required. Why "take a chance" when

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New Spring Models—Hudson Coaches

Six Types of Closed Cars Suitable for All-Year-Round Service

HUDSON closed cars—the Limousine, Town Car, the Landau, Sedan and Cabriolet—are being used more and more in all-year service. There is a logical reason for this from the standpoint of both utility and distinction. Time was when motorists were even disdainful of the windshield. They donned dust coats, veils, goggles and braved the distress of dirt and dust without complaint. But such discomforts have become worse and have taken much of the joy out of touring. When the roads were not so crowded and we didn't have to take up so much dust it wasn't so bad. But now we demand more comfort.

The closed car has long been the popular type in Europe. It is now the accepted type of Americans who demand that they shall not give up their touring and that they shall ride in comfort.

Such cars are ideal every day of the year, regardless of the weather. When it is hot it is also dusty. There is protection from the sun and from the dust. When it is pleasant the windows can be opened so that one is just as much outdoors as in an open model.

These are the types for use between town and the house in the country or to the country club.

Rigidly Built for Heavy Service

These new spring models are designed and built for just such service.

Special attention has been given to making the bodies light and yet durable.

It requires unusual skill to build bodies that will stand up under such service. As the largest builders of closed bodies in the world, we have learned and eliminated the faults so difficult for builders of less experience to overcome.

The tremendous reserve power of the Hudson Super-Six motor carries the closed type with the ease and liveliness of the lighter open models of less powerful cars.

There is about these cars none of the sluggishness so common to most cars of the closed type.

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In a Hudson Super-Six of either of these types you can ride with the greatest ease and in such comfort and luxury as you would enjoy in your own drawing room.

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The satisfaction of riding in such ease as compared with the less comfortable type is just as great in the summer as is obtained from riding in such a car in the coldest or most inclement weather.

The owner of a Hudson Super-Six is always the envied. The owner of a Hudson Super-Six coach is the envied of the envied.

In selecting the new car for this season, give consideration to one of these closed types. They are the highest examples of the coach builder's art. There is nothing found in the most expensive that is not equalled in these cars, for Hudson sets the mode of closed cars.

And there is also the Hudson Super-Six chassis which has outperformed all other cars.

Table listing car models and prices: Phaeton, 7 passenger \$1650; Cabriolet, 3 passenger \$1950; Sedan \$2175; Limousine \$2925; Limousine Landau \$3025; Town Car \$2925; Town Car Landau \$3025.

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