



LOCAL OPTION COMES TO TEST TOMORROW

Special Order Gives Measure Right of Way at 11 O'clock; Expect Vote in Afternoon

GOVERNOR SATISFIED WITH THE OUTLOOK

Severely Criticises Organizations Which Worked For Brumbaugh's Opponent and Neglected the Legislators

Local option will come to the supreme test in the House of Representatives to-morrow. A special order has been made giving the right of way at 11 o'clock and it is expected that a vote will be reached about the middle of the afternoon.

The vote on this bill is being watched with interest by more people throughout Pennsylvania than on any piece of legislation in the last generation. A wonderful campaign, courageously conducted by Governor Brumbaugh, has been waged and men in all walks of life have rallied and exerted their influence on members in behalf of a proposition that is State-wide in its significance.

Expect Bill to Pass. "I am satisfied with the outlook. I expect local option to pass," said Governor Brumbaugh this afternoon. "Things are working out and I am confident. The people of the State are aroused and members of the Legislature are telling me that they are for local option because it is real home rule."

Why Wrote Men Shipped In. Now that the final battle has been shot and the bill is up to the Legislature, friends who have been reviewing the campaign leading up to its present stage are of the opinion that it was not the Governor but the legislators who must pass upon the bill. In many cases they let the legislative fight go by default entirely and thus lost opportunity to make votes for the temperance cause. To this extent they are to be blamed should the bill fail of a majority to-morrow, say those on the Hill who have been lined up back of the local option movement.

Williams to Open Debate. Arrangements were made to-day for the consideration of the local option bill in the House to-morrow. The

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Have Confidence

If all the people stop buying everything, there will be no business—no market for goods, crops or services. If half the people stop buying everything, business will be cut in half and everybody suffer. If all the people buy one-half of their customary purchases, business slumps to half. If all the people postpone for thirty days buying half their needs the country's prosperity drops one-half for that length of time. Buy now the things you will need soon and you'll help speed up the wheels of industry, commerce, farming and labor.

Buy-It-Now

This is the time of all times for the U. S. A. to make vast strides. Let's all get busy.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair and cooler to-night and Wednesday; lowest temperature to-night about 50 degrees. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair and cooler to-night and Wednesday; moderate northerly winds. River: The Susquehanna river and all its tributaries will continue to fall slowly indefinitely. A stage of about 4 feet is indicated for Harrisburg, Wednesday morning. General Conditions: Light local showers have fallen in the last twenty-four hours from the Lake region and Upper Ohio Valley eastward to the Atlantic coast. Temperature: 8 a. m., 64. Sun: Rises, 5:21 a. m.; sets, 6:47 p. m. Moon: First quarter, April 21, 10:30 a. m. River Stage: 4.5 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather: Highest temperature, 81. Lowest temperature, 56. Mean temperature, 68. Normal temperature, 52.

15 CONCERTS PLANNED FOR RESERVOIR PARK

Season to Open Memorial Day; \$1,500 Will Be Needed; Solicit Funds For the Purpose

When You Can Hear the Band at Reservoir Park MAY Monday, May 17—Memorial Day—afternoon and evening. JUNE Friday, June 4, 11, 18 and 25—evenings only. JULY Monday, July 5—afternoon and evening. Fridays, July 16, 23 and 30—evenings only. AUGUST Fridays, August 6, 13, 20 and 27—evenings only. SEPTEMBER Monday, September 6, Labor Day—afternoon and evening.

Fifteen band concerts, including afternoon programs on Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day have been planned for the coming summer at Reservoir Park by the Harrisburg Band Concert Association. The organization for soliciting public subscription for the necessary fund was perfected at a meeting last evening. The season will be formally opened on May 31, Memorial Day, with afternoon and evening concerts and will close on Labor Day with similar programs. Friday evenings will be "concert evening" during practically each week of the summer months. The principal bands that will feature

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Ready to Drop Charge of Arson Against Swoboda

Paris, April 20.—French military authorities have decided to drop the charge of setting fire to the steamer La Touraine which was preferred against the man known as Raymond Swoboda, says the Petit Parisien. Captain Bouchardon, the officer appointed to investigate the case, is credited with having expressed the opinion that there is not sufficient evidence against the prisoner to obtain a conviction on this charge. He still faces an accusation of espionage, however.

WILSON AT A. P. BANQUET

Washington, D. C., April 20.—President Wilson left here at 8 a. m. to-day for New York to attend the annual luncheon of the Associated Press. The President will return to-night.

OPEN GARDENS FOR FRESH AIR PUPILS

Youngsters to Raise Vegetables and Flowers; Civic Club Provides Seeds

Small tubercular sufferers who attend the West End open-air school to-day celebrated the opening of their flower and vegetable garden with a program in which city commissioners, members of the Civic Club and others participated.

The garden plot at Fifth and Seneca streets has been made possible for the children through the joint efforts of the Civic Club, Commissioners Taylor and Lynch and City Forester Carl J. Mueller. It was graded by Commissioner Lynch and the planting will be done under the supervision of Commissioner Taylor and City Forester Mueller. Flower and vegetable seeds were given the pupils this afternoon by the Civic Club. Mrs. H. Lindley Hosford presided at the meeting. "Why We Are Here" was the subject of a brief talk by Mrs. Mabel Cronise Jones. Mrs. William Henderson, president of the Civic Club, extended greetings. Brief remarks were made by Harry Bover, William H. Lynch and M. Harvey Taylor. Several songs were sung by the pupils and the program concluded with an address by Dr. Frederick E. Downes, superintendent of public schools.

BEIDLEMAN WINS FOR MINERWORKERS

Senate Adopts Amendments Bringing Coal Diggers Under Proposed Compensation Law

The anthracite mine workers won a victory in the State Senate to-day when that body adopted amendments to the present hard coal mining code bringing the coal diggers under the proposed workmen's compensation law. The fight on the bill has been in progress since the day it was introduced on February 8. It had almost the solid opposition of coal companies and was championed by the United Mine Workers of America. Several weeks ago there was a sharp contest

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President Will Review Atlantic Fleet May 17

Washington, D. C., April 20.—With May 17 selected as the date for the review of the Atlantic fleet in New York harbor by President Wilson, Navy Department officials to-day were working out the details of the review and of events to follow ashore. These include a water carnival on the night of May 17 and a parade the next day of bluejackets and marines from the fleet, federal troops and other military organizations.

MAJOR BENT, FORMER STEEL HEAD, IS DEAD

Active Many Years in Business and Civic Life of Steelton and Harrisburg

86 YEARS OLD; SHORT ILLNESS His Police Court Famous; Helped Build Up the Big Mill Town

Major Luther Stedman Bent, former president and chairman of the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Steel Company, died yesterday afternoon at his home, 6949 Dresel Road, Overbrook, a Philadelphia suburb. Major Bent was 86 years old. He was ill only ten days with paralysis. The Major was born in Quincy, Mass. Throughout the civil war, he served as major of the Eighteenth Massachusetts Volunteers. At the conclusion of the war, he entered the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad as a civil engineer in charge of the company's construction work. He was with the Union Pacific until 1874, when he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Steel Company. He entered the Steel Company's employ as superintendent, but rose rapidly until he became the directing head of the big corporation. Bent retired from active affairs about ten years ago.

Helped Form Harrisburg Club Major Bent was instrumental in organizing the Harrisburg Club. He was a director in the Harrisburg National Bank, the Harrisburg Trust Company

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Name Pallbearers for Roberts Funeral Tomorrow

The Rev. William B. Cooke, pastor in charge of Market Square Presbyterian Church, assisted by the Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, pastor of Reformed Salem Church, will officiate to-morrow afternoon at the funeral services for Alexander Roberts, 19 South Market Square, who died Sunday afternoon. The services will be held at 2 o'clock in the Market Square Church, after which private burial will be made in the Harrisburg Cemetery.

Temporary Judge at the Mineral Hill Mining Company for the recovery of \$25,000 was begun in the Superior Court here yesterday. San Francisco, Cal., April 20.—Trial of a suit brought by William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, Pa., against the Twenty One Mining Company for the recovery of \$25,000 was begun in the Superior Court here yesterday.

MANUFACTURERS HOLD OUT ON CHILD LABOR

Decline to Endorse Governor's Bill Unless Changes Are Made to Suit Them

Six manufacturers from Senator Warner's district were summoned to-day by Governor Brumbaugh to-day with a view to discussing a child labor bill. Mr. Warner is one of the senators who has declined to vote for the Governor's bill as it stands.

Those present at the interview were E. Buhler of the Duplan Silk Company, Hazelton; J. M. Hess of the Hatched Chunk Sawmill Company, Mauch Chunk and Nesquehoning; Raymond Thorp of the Read and Lovatt Manufacturing Company, Weatherly and Altmerton; Peter F. Mazaana of the White Haven Silk Company, White Haven, Nanticoke Silk Throwing Company, Nanticoke, and the Anthracite Silk Throwing Company, Wyoming; Alexander M. Lane of the Century Throwing Company, Lansford and Hudson, and A. D. Roth of the Allen Candy Manufacturing Company, Weatherly. After the meeting a statement was handed to the Governor as embodying the views of the entire delegation, which will form the basis of the manufacturers' contentions at the hearing

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Railroaders Preparing to Retaliate If Full Crew Law Is Repealed

Railroaders who would be affected by the repeal of the full crew law are preparing to make an effort to retaliate in the event the full crew act is wiped off the statute books. Senator Buhler, of Allegheny, to-day introduced in the Senate a bill limiting the length of freight trains. The bill provides: It shall be unlawful for any railroad company to run a freight train of more than one-half mile in length exclusive of engines and cabooses and more than ten passenger, mail, express or baggage cars exclusive of the engine. Any employe or passenger who shall be injured by reason of the operation of any train contrary to the provisions of this act shall in no case be held to have assumed a risk thereby occasioned in any suit instituted to recover damages for such injuries.

MAY RECALL MEN AT FRONT

London, April 20.—The government has made an arrangement under which skilled workmen now at the front fighting can be recalled to England to work in the factories producing munitions of war.

MAKE ATTACK ON FRONTIER

London, April 20.—"It is reported here," says the Times' Bucharest correspondent, "that the Austrians attempted on the night of April 18 a vigorous attack on the frontier of Bessarabia, southwest Russia, but that they were repulsed with heavy losses after a violent struggle."

RAISE 20 PER CENT OF \$38,000 FOR CAMP CURTIN MEMORIAL



JOHN A. HAAS General Chairman.



MRS. E. I. BOOKS, Chairman Women's Division.



E. W. McCLAIN Vice-Chairman.



MRS. A. LEE KNIGHT Team Captain.

Nearly 20 per cent of the \$38,000 to be raised in the eight-day campaign of the Camp Curtin Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church for the creation of a new edifice as a monument to old Camp Curtin, was obtained at the opening luncheon last night from the workers themselves. The Ladies' Aid Society of the church gave \$1,000. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kreamer started the personal subscriptions with \$500. Other large subscriptions were as follows: \$400, Men's Bible class; \$300, D. V. Cotter's class; \$200, J. A. Haas, B. F. Moses, Mrs. E. I. Books' class; Mrs. Mary A. Marsh, F. J. Ref, \$150, the Rev. A. S. Williams, Primary Department, Mrs. Emma Smith's class; \$100, a friend, Mr. Adam Martz, A. C. Benner, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McClain, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Faust, Mrs. Clara B. Lackey's class, Sam Meckley, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall and daughter, Mrs. E. I. Book, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cresswell, Sr. Epworth League.

WILLIAM FLINN NOW BUYING GOLD MINES

"Bull Mooser" Discovers Deposits Are of Little Value and Wants Option Money Back

San Francisco, Cal., April 20.—Trial of a suit brought by William Flinn, of Pittsburgh, Pa., against the Twenty One Mining Company for the recovery of \$25,000 was begun in the Superior Court here yesterday.

An agreement to purchase a gold mine located at Allegheny, Sierra county, Cal., for \$250,000 was entered into by Flinn June 27, 1913, according to the testimony. An option, it is alleged, was taken after a favorable report on the mine had been made by an expert. Later, Flinn alleges, another examination was made and it was not favorable.

SIR THOMAS S. CLOUSTON DIES

Edinburgh, Pa., April 20.—Sir Thomas Smith Clouston, well known as an authority on mental diseases, died yesterday. He was born in 1840 and married Harriet Storer, daughter of William Storer, of New Haven, Connecticut.

SCHOOL CHILDREN WILL CELEBRATE ARBOR DAY BY PLANTING 5,000 TREES

Harrisburg's greatest Arbor Day celebration will take place Friday afternoon. Wildwood will be the scene of the memorable event. The participants will include at least 5,000 school children and city and school officials. Details were completed this afternoon at a conference between Superintendent of Public Schools F. E. Downes, Commissioner of Parks M. Harvey Taylor, City Forester Harry J. Mueller and school supervisors.

The program will include the planting of 5,000 trees. One tree will be assigned to each pupil. If it is decided to have more than 5,000 school children, the number will be given to pupils, including the digging of holes, and distribution of trees. At the conference this afternoon, arrangements were also made for cars to take the school children to and from Wildwood park. The trees were received yesterday. There are 2,000 white pine, 2,000 red pine and 1,000 Norway spruce. Markers will be placed throughout Wildwood to-day and to-morrow, showing where the trees will be planted.

Ex-President Taft Will Address Businessmen

Ex-President Taft has been invited to make an address at the annual banquet of the United Business Men's Association of Philadelphia, which is comprised of seventy-two trade and neighborhood bodies of that city. The invitation was forwarded to-day by State Senator Daix, of Philadelphia, at the request of the association. Governor Brumbaugh and Mayor Blankenburg have also been invited to be present.

PEACE IN EUROPE IS NEAR, ROME'S BELIEF

Persistent Reports Arise in City Which Make People Hopeful

Rome, April 20.—Within the past 24 hours there have arisen in Rome persistent reports that the grave international questions confronting Italy may be solved in the near future by what at first sight seems almost incredible, the conclusion of a general peace in Europe at a not distant date.

While these reports are intangible and cannot at present be ascribed to a definite source, they nevertheless are reflected in high quarters and they are given heed by careful observers of international politics. Among other reasons in support of this argument is offered that Rome is an excellent field for the conduct of negotiations of this nature. Prince Von Buelow, one of the ablest of German diplomats is in Rome as ambassador to Italy; and the official relations between Italy and Germany as well as between Italy and the powers of the Triple Entente, are cordial.

VENIZELOS AT ALEXANDRIA

London, April 20.—An Alexandria news agency company says former Premier Venizelos arrived there this morning and was greeted at the quay by a widely enthusiastic crowd.

PLAN FOR WILDWOOD WAY IS AUTHORIZED

Commissioner Taylor Notified That West End Traffic Way Over Penny Is Assured

City Commissioner M. Harvey Taylor, superintendent of parks and public property, was notified by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to-day that the one big improvement the park superintendent had planned for the West End citizens, as well as for the people from other parts of the city who frequent Wildwood, had been officially authorized by contracting to continue the Division street traffic way across the Penny tracks into Wildwood Park.

The company had originally planned to build the way over but twenty-five tracks in order to provide a walk for the employes to the transfer station. Mr. Taylor, seeing a chance to get at least a footway for people into Wildwood via Division street, urged the company to carry this footbridge over

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NEED GARDEN TOOLS

About ten racks and hoes are needed by some of the families working the garden plots of the Harrisburg Benevolent Association. Any person desiring to donate tools is requested to write or telephone the office of the county poor directors, and the implements will be called for.

TURKISH TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYERS SUNK NEAR ENTRANCE TO BOSPHORUS

British Expeditionary Force Which Attempted to Invade German East Africa Defeated and Driven Away With Loss of 700 Men; British Submarine Sunk, According to London War Office; Italy Expected to Make Decision Soon

The Russian fleet which has been attacking the Bosphorus is reported to have caused the destruction of two Turkish torpedo boat destroyers. A dispatch from Saloniki says the Russians mined the entrance to the Bosphorus while the Turkish fleet was cruising the Black Sea and that the Turkish vessels on returning ran into the mine field. Advice has been received in Berlin that a British expeditionary force which attempted to invade German East Africa was defeated and driven away with the loss of 700 men. The British force is said to have landed from cruisers and transports. The German losses are given as fifty-six. The only intimation of a British expedition to East Africa was given at the time of the sinking of the British steamer Falaba by a German submarine. At that time it was said that among the passengers who lost their lives were a number of British officers who were on the way to Africa.

Italy's Decision Soon. Italy's decision for or against war is believed in Rome to be imminent. The Rome correspondent of a Paris newspaper telegraphs that to-day marks the expiration of the time limit fixed by Italy for presentation of proposals by Austria. It is generally understood that Austria has declined to make territorial concessions satisfactory to Italy and according to this report the German and Austrian ambassadors at Rome are preparing to leave the country.

Another Raid Feared. London, April 20.—Owing to a rumor that there would be a Zeppelin raid, many towns in northeastern England, including Darlington, Leeds and New Castle, were plunged in darkness last night as a precautionary measure. There is no confirmation that a raid took place.

Two War Vessels Sunk. Paris, April 20.—Two Turkish torpedo boat destroyers were blown up, says a Saloniki dispatch, while passing through a mine belt which Russian ships had succeeded in laying across the entrance to the Bosphorus while the Turkish fleet was cruising in the Black Sea.

MANY ANXIOUS TO ENLIST. Rome, April 19, via Paris, April 20.—Although members of the Papal Guards and the higher lay officials of the Vatican are exempted from service in the Italian army, many of them have asked permission to enlist, including Marquis Montoro, standard bearer of the church, one of the highest offices held by a layman.

HEAD OF BANKING FIRM DIES. New York, April 20.—George D. Eustis, head of the banking and brokerage firm of George Eustis and Company, of Cincinnati, was learned to-day, died in Roosevelt Hospital here late last night.

SWISS GUARDS ARE READY. Rome, April 9, via Paris, April 20.—

RATTLESNAKE FLAG PRESENTED. Harrisburg—The famous rattlesnake flag of the Revolution, willed to the State by a resident of Westmoreland county, was formally presented to-day by a delegation of Westmoreland people. They were introduced to State Librarian Montgomery by Jesse E. B. Cunningham, former deputy attorney general and a Westmoreland county man. State Librarian Thomas Lynch Montgomery accepted the flag which is in splendid condition and which adds immensely to the collection of flags made at the Capitol.

SAYS RIVERTON COMPANY DISCRIMINATES. Harrisburg—George B. Walker, of Lemoyne, alleges before the Public Service Commission that the Riverton Consolidated Water Company discriminates, because it refuses to extend its facilities to properties in Fort Washington.

Syracuse, N. Y., April 20.—Theodore Roosevelt late to-day went upon the witness stand to defend himself in the suit for alleged libel brought against him by William Barnes.

BOER LEADER IN COMMAND. Cape Towns, Union of South Africa, April 20.—Forces of the Union of South Africa have occupied Keetaanshop, the most important town in German Southwest Africa next to Windhoek, the capital. It is an important railroad junction and gives General Botha the Boer leader command of the railroad to Windhoek.

PETITION FOR RECEIVER. Chicago, April 20.—Petition for a receiver for the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company was filed in the United States District Court here to-day by the American Steel Foundries Company. H. U. Mudge, president of the railway company, and J. M. Dickinson, former secretary of war, were appointed receivers.

TRANSPORT SINKS TORPEDO BOAT. Constantinople, via London, April 20, 2:45 P. M.—The attack of a Turkish torpedo boat on the British transport, Manitou, off the coast of Chios last Saturday and the subsequent destruction of the torpedo boat were reported in an official statement issued to-day at the war office.

MARRIAGE LICENSES. Mark Levandonski, Lansing, Mich., and Klzadi Gluski, city.