

BATTLESHIP HAS ENGINE TROUBLE

Puts in at Ponta Delgada With Troops Aboard; Delay to Be Short

By Associated Press. Ponta Delgada, May 27. — The United States battleship New Jersey, which sailed from Brest on May 20 with troops aboard, put in here yesterday because of engine trouble. It is not expected that the battleship will be delayed for any length of time, as the engine trouble is announced to be not serious.

The New Jersey, together with the Rotterdam, Finland and Mobile, proceeded from Brest for the United States on May 20 carrying more than

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20,000 troops. This completed the embarkation of the Eightieth Division. It is possible that some of the Thirty-Sixth Division are aboard these ships. The Eightieth Division consists of men from Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

Cotton Men Plan to Purchase Coal by Pooling Orders

By Associated Press. Atlantic City, N. J., May 27. — Children between the ages of 14 and 16 of the working classes should have the privilege of working part of the time during their education, according to Dr. C. A. Prosser, director of vocational education at Washington, who addressed the annual meeting of the Cotton Growers' Association of Georgia here.

A plan to purchase all coal required by the cotton men on a cooperative basis was presented and a committee was appointed to handle pool orders for coal put in by members of the association, most of whom signified their intention of trying the experiment. It was stated by delegates that the cotton crop this year would be much below normal. This was due to decreased acreage under cultivation, lack of labor and unfavorable weather conditions.

Officers elected were: President, D. A. Jewell, of Jewell, Ga.; secretary and treasurer, F. E. Glenn, Atlanta; traffic manager, W. W. Chears, Chattanooga, Tenn.; and attorney, Lee M. Jordan, Atlanta.

Republicans Put Through Suffrage

With but seven negative votes, the Ramsey resolution on woman's suffrage, was passed by the Senate last evening. Under the provisions of the resolution which was passed by the House some time ago, the question of suffrage will be submitted to the voters of the Commonwealth. To become effective, however, the measure must pass another Legislature.

The passage of the resolution was practically clinched after Senator William E. Crow, Fayette, chairman of the Republican State Committee made a plea for the measure, saying that the resolution presented a plan for the submission of the woman suffrage question to the voters of Pennsylvania, and that this American principle was one to which the Republican party is committed. "I bespeak Republican aid for this measure," concluded Senator Crow. The vote was 41 to 7.

The effect of this speech was to dispell much oratory prepared for the occasion, and the measure was then called to a vote by Lieutenant Governor E. E. Beidleman, presiding.

MAY DIE OF POISON
Mrs. Rosie Levinson, 2121 North Sixth street, continues in a serious condition in the Harrisburg Hospital today, as a result of drinking oxalic acid, yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Levinson had been suffering from indigestion. Preparing to mix medicine to relieve herself, she got the poisonous substance by mistake.

LEGISLATURE NEWS

COMMISSION TO BE IN CHARGE

Conservation Department Bill Considerably Changed in the House

Amendments providing that the new State Department of Conservation shall be administered by a commission of seven to be appointed by the Governor, the secretary to be the executive officer, were made to the bill in the House by Mr. Baldwin, Allegheny. The original bill provided for a commission to have charge. An amendment by Mr. Phillips, Clearfield, to make the act effective January 1 instead of June 1 was defeated 56 to 63.

The Ramsey bill fixing \$18,000 as the salary of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction was passed in the House by 153 to 1 after Mr. Phillips, Clearfield, had introduced some objections. He asked Mr. Ramsey, Delaware, sponsor for the bill, why he had raised it from \$10,000 to \$12,000. He was told that the Governor desired that the State of New York pay its superintendent \$18,000 and cities paid from \$12,000 to \$18,000, while Allegheny county paid \$10,000.

Salary Board Bill Out
Among bills reported to the House was a bill creating a State salary board. Authorizing Governor to employ experts and consultants on public works. Making an appropriation to New Garden township, Chester county, for road work.

Attaching State Optometry Board.
The Dawson bill repealing the nonpartisan law for second class cities passed second reading.

The House passed a resolution recalling from the Governor the Wallace auxiliary game preserve bill, which was announced on Saturday as signed by the Governor.

The bill fixing the salary of the Deputy Commissioner of Health was amended to make the amount \$6,500.

The Franklin bill abolishing the Philadelphia quarantine station was sent back to the judiciary general committee on amendment on motion of its sponsor. The bureau of markets bill was postponed.

The bill increasing the State fee for examination of moving picture reels from \$1 to \$2 was passed 169 to 15. Another bill to pass forbids issuance of warrants for lakes owned by the State without consent of the Department of Fisheries, this being one of the conservation bills.

Bills Passed
The House passed finally: Making uniform law on fraudulent conveyances. Fixing fees of prothonotary for attendance in court in counties having less than 7,000 population.

Authorizing State Highway Department to acquire and operate quarries. Authorizing joint State, county or borough or township contracts for road improvements.

The Craig "home rule" constitutional amendment resolution. The bill fixing 2,000 as a ton of anthracite was ordered recalled from the Senate.

The House passed finally the bill to enable discharged sailors or marines unable to qualify to vote at elections. Less than a majority voted for the Senate bill relieving banks from the hoose business, because of nonpayment of a check by error.

The House adjourned at 11:35 p. m.

Salary Raiser Is Given Sproul Ax

Governor Sproul again called a halt on the salary raising campaign when he vetoed a bill to increase salaries of registration employees in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Scranton. He said there must be a check on "the tendency to raise salaries."

The veto said: "This bill increases the salaries of certain employees of the registration commissioners in cities of the first and second classes, making the salaries in these cases from one-fourth to one-half higher than at present. The salary of the clerk is increased from \$1,500 to \$2,000, the stenographer from \$1,200 to \$1,800, and others in like or appropriate proportion.

"I am of the opinion that these increases are not warranted, and that the salaries as provided under existing law are adequate and sufficient to secure the competent persons to serve in these places. The salaries now paid compare favorably with the pay of servants of the Commonwealth generally in like proportions. For example, many stenographers of long experience and tried ability in various departments of the State government receive only \$1,200 per annum, while the same position here is \$1,800."

"Furthermore, this bill contains a provision permitting the employment of as many other clerks as may be necessary at a compensation not exceeding \$4 per diem for the time actually employed. This provision might lead to grave abuses."

Amendment For the Escheat Laws

Aiming to clear the situation created recently by the Supreme Court held that the present escheat laws do not apply to National banks, Senator Frank A. Smith, Dauphin, last evening presented to the Senate a bill amending the present escheat act so as to clearly include National banks.

The Senate will hold a special session at 8:30 this evening to hear Colonel Joseph Thompson, former State Senator from Beaver county, and but lately returned from France, as the commander of the 110th Infantry, narrate his experiences "over there."

New bills presented at last night's session included the following: Senator Shantz, Ohio. Permitting county commissioners to appropriate money to any city or borough being the county seat, to construct comfort stations.

Senator Leach, Allegheny. A supplement to an act in relation to the laying out, opening, widening, straightening of streets and alleys, and the construction of bridges in the municipalities of the Commonwealth.

Senator Marlow, York. Authorizing Barbara D. Winchester of York, to bring suit against the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the courts of common pleas of Dauphin county.

WHY LIBRARIANS GO MAD
Young Woman (to Librarian)—I'm sorry to trouble you, but I've forgotten the name of the book I want. If you'll just mention what you know you have I'll stop you when you come to it.—Boston Transcript.

WILSON RAPPED IN THE SENATE

Resolution Criticizing His Course in Regard to Prohibition

Senator Wallace Barnes, Wayne, last night presented to the Senate a resolution severely criticizing the action of President Wilson in recommending repeal of the war-time prohibition measures which would make the country "dry" on July 1. The resolution, couched in no uncertain terms, plainly declares the President to be acting contrary to the will of the American people.

On motion of Senator Leiby, Perry, the most ardent Wilsonite in the Senate, the resolution was referred to the committee on law and order. "For further consideration," according to Senator Leiby.

The following is the text of the resolution: Whereas, The federal amendment to the constitution of the United States prohibiting the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating beverages was recently passed by forty-five of the forty-eight states of our Union, and

Whereas, The said federal amendment was signed on November 21, 1918, making the nation dry on July 1, 1919, and

Whereas, The said amendment was written in the constitution in February of this year, thereby showing an overwhelming sentiment of the people of the United States against the booze business, and in favor of national prohibition, and

Whereas, The Honorable Wood-

row Wilson, President of the United States, has asked Congress to repeal the said amendment insofar as it relates to beer and wine, which would, if repealed, be a crime against High Heaven, as well as a violation of the constitution he has sworn to defend, therefore be it

Resolved, By the Senate of Pennsylvania (the House concurring therein), that we as a legislative body resent this most unjust interference with the expressed wish of a vast majority of the people of the United States as subversive of their best interests and against the rule of the people.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to our United States Senators, the Hon. E. C. Penrose and the Hon. F. C. Knox, also to the members of Congress from our State, urging them in the interest of a square deal, to stand by the expressed wish of our people, and the provisions of our constitution, as opposed to any autocratic dictation from even the President of these United States.

Resolutions were introduced into the House by Mr. Ringler, Berks, asking Congress to repeal the war prohibition order which forbids sale of liquors after July 1. The resolution requires concurrence by the Senate. It was laid over under the rules requiring printing.

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Baldwin Enlivens the State Senate

Senator Richard J. Baldwin, Delaware, stirred up the Senate last evening, when he asked to have a Delaware river pilot increase bill placed on the calendar, after it had been reported out with a negative recommendation by the Judiciary General Committee.

Claiming that "big business" had used its influence against the measure, Senator Baldwin quoted numerous statistics to prove that the pilots were deserving of the ten per cent raise in pay, which the bill

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