

NEW POLICE BILL MAKES THE DEPUTY PLAN PERMANENT

Puts Power of Appointment, However, in Hands of the Judges.

PROVIDES ANNUAL CAMP

And Establishes Other Regulations for Force of 1,300 Men.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 15—After refusing to permit the communication of W. S. Hallahan, state tax commissioner, in reply to criticism expressed by Governor Cornwell in his message to the legislature relating to the conduct of the state prohibition department to be printed in its journal the House of Delegates yesterday afternoon voted 49 to 33 to expunge from its record of March 11 the part of the executive message referred to.

The state police bill was read later a first time and advanced to second reading, and similar action was taken on a bill introduced yesterday by Delegate Wyson which is drafted as a substitute proposal. The real fight will be on when both these bills reach second reading Monday morning, to which time the House adjourned.

The Virginia debt settlement bill, reported out with recommendations to pass in both houses, was put on the calendar for first reading in the House Monday, while in the Senate it was the first time and advanced to second reading. The debt bill provides both the ways and means of settlement carrying a provision for raising the necessary revenue by a direct tax.

The Wyson police protection bill, which undoubtedly will receive considerable support in both houses because of the determined stand made by labor against the state police bill, is a revival, in amended form of the deputy police law passed in 1917, as a war measure, but which will be of no effect after peace has been finally effected. It provides for a deputy sheriff system, consisting of one member in each county for each thousand inhabitants or nearest fraction thereof, or a total force of about 1200 in the state. It provides for their selection by the circuit judges from the lists of eligibles to be furnished one list by a class to be known as "employers class," including all persons known as investors of capital or employed in labor in the county the other list by all persons in the employ of the employer's class, to be known as the "employees class," selecting alternately from each list until the county's allotted number has been selected.

The list of persons thus selected are to be appointed by the circuit judge for a period of three years, to serve, when called out either by the sheriff of the county or the governor, to be paid \$5 a day and necessary traveling and other expenses by the county court when called out by the sheriff, and by the state treasurer when called out by the governor.

It provides that the act shall be so construed as to exclude from membership on the force all mine guards agitators not performing labor, the I. W. W.'s and all persons opposed to a representative form of government or hostile to our state institution. Professional detectives also are excluded.

No special police, during the time he is employed, shall accept employment or be in the employment of any corporation, firm or company or person operating in this state and employing more than twenty men.

Provision is made for annual encampment of the whole force for a period of twenty days, to be drilled for efficient service under the direction of the adjutant general of the state.

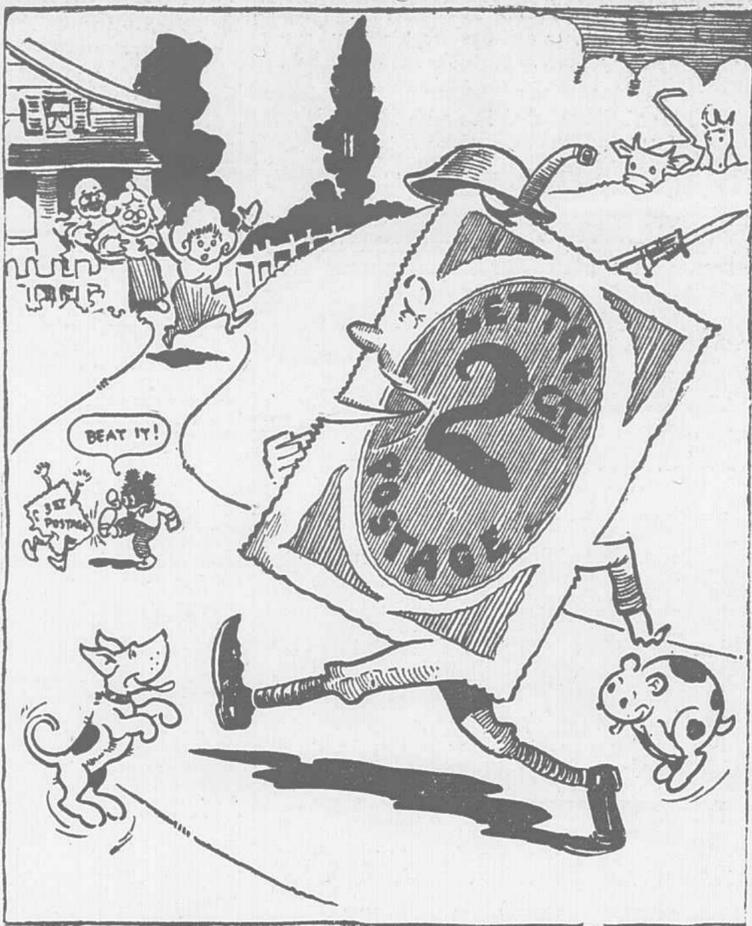
Members of the force once accepting appointment for three years, may not resign except upon written consent of the governor, and the governor is given authority to remove any member. The adjutant general of the state is authorized to formulate the rules and regulations, subject to the approval of the Board of Public Works for putting the act into effect.

Delegate Hays, a democrat, re-introduced in the House the state racing commission bill which was vetoed by Governor Cornwell upon its passage at the regular session. The only change in the bill as it was passed before is to give the state three per cent of the gate receipts in addition to two per cent of the money taken by the pari-mutuel machine.

Mrs Vonda G Prichard Dies in Clarksburg

Mrs. Vonda Griffin Prichard, aged 24 years, died yesterday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Sheridan R. Griffin, in Clarksburg, after an illness from pneumonia following influenza. Her death resulted after a week's illness. The deceased is survived by her husband, Frank Prichard, of this city, and two children, Eleanor and Franklin Alfred. Mrs. Earl McCray, a cousin of Mrs. Prichard, has gone to Clarksburg to attend the funeral which will be held on Sunday.

COMING BACK



NOTE—2 CENT POSTAGE RATE WILL BE RESUMED JULY 1.

WASHINGTON NEWS GOSSIP

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 15.—Henry S. Green, former professor of ancient languages at W. V. U., editor and State Archivist, is in the city securing a passport. He expects to sail next week for France. He is going in the interest of the American Library Association, the organization that has been and is the librarian for the army. His trip is a business one and he plans to wind up his business in France in time to sail home in May with the 80th division in which there are so many West Virginia boys, the 314th artillery being entirely a West Virginia regiment.

Dr. Green has been chief of the libraries at Camp Lee, Va., since the establishment of that camp. He has been a pal, friend and father confessor of every boy that passed through that camp. They nicknamed him "Dad"—and "Dad" Green it has been ever since. Dr. Green considers this one of the greatest compliments ever paid him.

Russel J. Spiedel, of Wheeling, is a Capital visitor. Pvt. Ben H. Layfield, of Harrisville, who came to Washington from Camp Green where he received his discharge, has been seeing the sights of Washington before continuing on his way to his home.

Congressman Woodyard reports pensions granted to Frances T. Langley, of Sharon, \$25 a month from July 30, 1918, and to Nancy A. Johnson, of Gallipolis Ferry, \$25 a month from March 1, 1918, and \$2 a month for her minor child.

The office of Senator Sutherland reports a pension awarded to Mrs. Mary A. Bee, of Palmer, \$25 a month from August 9, 1918, and accrued pension due her late husband. Affidavits in support of the pending claim of Mrs. Hettie Freeland, of Fairmont, were filed by Senator Sutherland at the Pension Bureau.

Coke H. Hood has been commissioned postmaster at Arthur, W. Va., and Eustace G. Adkins at West Hamlin.

Examinations to fill the postmasterhips at Holden, Lofan county, and at Madison, Boone county, have been officially set for April 12th. That for Holden will be held at Logan, the office pays \$1,500 per annum; and that for Madison is to be held at St. Albans. This latter office pays \$1,000 per annum.

Vacancies existing at Cleria, Willow Bend and Willow Grove are to be filled upon recommendation of postoffice inspectors who have been instructed to investigate and report.

An order discontinuing the post-office at Wilbur, Pleasant county, has been suspended by the department upon request of Congressman Woodyard. In the meantime, the people served at that office will try to induce some one of their number to assume the position of postmaster.

Hall Bryant, field agent of the bureau of crop estimates of the Department of Agriculture, who has been stationed at Charleston, W. Va., is to be transferred to his native state, Kentucky, and an examination is announced to be held in all the principal cities in West Virginia on April 23d to secure a successor to Mr. Bryant. The salary of the position ranges from \$1,600 to \$2,400 per annum.

Leon M. Esterbrook, chief of the bureau, in a letter to members of the West Virginia delegation, says that a West Virginian is preferred for the place and requests the members to induce some one or more constituent who is qualified to take the examination.

EAST SIDE NEWS

Rev. C. C. Lawson, pastor of the First M. P. church is at Mt. Morris Pa., assisting in an evangelistic meeting. Sunday morning service in this church will be in charge of Mr. Cannon and W. K. Shaffer will conduct the services of the evening. Sunday School and Christian Endeavor will be held at the usual hour and all are urged to be present and assist those in charge of the services in making them successful and helpful.

Arrived in New York. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bowman of Jacob street have received a message from their son Robert E. Bowman telling of his safe arrival in New York. He has been in France for several months.

Good Program. The following program will be given at the Epworth League meeting in the Diamond street M. E. church on Sunday evening. The program is being prepared by the Willing Workers class of the Sunday school, taught by Miss Bessie Preston.

Opening song No. 61. Sentable prayers. Bible references, Nannabel Hupp. Piano solo by Mildred Numm. Talk by Mildred Crites. Vocal duet, Marguerite Coogle and Bessie Preston. Talk—Alice Foley, Piano solo, Margaret Hess, impromptu talks. Piano duet Mildred and Marguerite Coogle.

Entertained Choir. Mrs. J. F. Blackwood of Maryland avenue entertained the choir of the Central Christian Church last evening in a most delightful manner. After a short time spent in practice a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments served.

Rev. Lawson Holding Revival. Reports from Mt. Morris, Pa., where Rev. C. C. Lawson, pastor of the First M. P. church of this city, is holding a series of evangelistic services for his brother minister, the Rev. C. P. Butler, have been received by his many friends with much joy. The meeting is successfully progressing in interest and is now at very high tide. Many are seeking a place in the Kingdom. Very large attendance each evening and the people are manifesting a splendid interest. Bro. Lawson will return some time next week. The members and friends of his congregation are planning a record breaking day in attendance for the services tomorrow. Regular services for worship tomorrow. All the members and friends of the church are requested to be present at all services.

Personals. Miss Midge Barnes, stenographer of the Koppers company is confined to her home in Guffy street with a badly sprained ankle. Mr. and Mrs. Charles White, of Downs were guests of Mrs. J. F. Blackwood in Maryland avenue Friday. Mr. and Mrs. John M. Carpenter of Maryland avenue have gone to Cumberland to spend the week end with relatives. Mrs. C. I. Cordray of State street has returned from Howesville where she was called by the illness of her father Mr. Lynch. Shelby Kirkendall who recently sold his farm in Winfield district has purchased the property in Morgantown avenue now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Fennell. Mrs. J. E. Garlow of Newton street is visiting her parents at Holly Grove.

Business Slackers. How many people work in your office? Oh! about a tenth of them.—Pearson's.

Funeral of Samuel Holman. Funeral services over the body of Samuel O. Holman, whose death occurred Thursday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harriett Shaw at Colfax, will be held on Sunday morning at the Shaw residence at 10 o'clock conducted by the Rev. I. A. Barnes, of Benton's Ferry. The body will be brought to Maple Grove cemetery for burial by Undertaker Jenkins.

Geographical. "Papa, where is Atoms?" "Atoms? I don't know, my boy. You mean Athens probably." "No, I mean Atoms—the place where everything is blown to."—Awwgan.

Captain W. F. Riley, of the Sanitary corps of the U. S. Army, is stopping over on his way from Washington to Chicago at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Lange, on Coleman avenue.

BILL TO PAY VA. DEBT CALLS FOR DIRECT TAXATION

Measure Was Introduced in Both Houses of Legislature Yesterday.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL

It Carries Statement of West Virginia's Desire to Pay.

CHARLESTON, March 15.—The Virginia debt settlement bill, as drafted by the special joint committee representing the House and Senate, was reported out in both houses of the West Virginia legislature by that committee yesterday afternoon.

Both the machinery for effecting the settlement of the long standing obligation, the amount of which was ascertained by the Supreme Court of the United States, and set forth in its judgment of June 14, 1915, and the provision for raising the necessary revenue in equal amounts annually, for the next twenty years, are provided for in the one bill.

The state board of public works is authorized by the bill to set apart from the revenues collected from the taxable property within the state each year from 1919 up to 1939, a fund amounting to at least one-twentieth of the total issue of bonds to be known as "the sinking fund," and to lay a direct tax on all the real and personal property subject to taxation in the state sufficient to keep up the sinking fund.

It is estimated that this tax, based upon present valuations and assessments in the state, will be seven cents on the \$100. This does not appear in the bill, because it is presumed that valuations and assessments will be increased largely in the state within the next twenty years, permitting a decrease in the rate of levy accordingly. By this title it is "a bill providing for the payment of West Virginia's part of the public debt of the commonwealth of Virginia prior to January 1, 1861, as ascertained by the judgment of the Supreme Court of the United States and adjusted by the two states, and to provide for the issuance of bonds and the raising and appropriation of money for the payment of the said judgment."

The preamble to the bill sets forth the judgment of the court, in which the amount of West Virginia's indebtedness is stated at \$12,355,929.50, with interest from July 1, 1915, at five per cent, and one-half the costs of the suit, the total of principal and interest being \$14,562,867.16 up to January 1, 1919.

It further sets forth that "Whereas, the state of West Virginia desires to comply with the decree of said court and to satisfy the same as practicable, and

"Whereas, this legislature has been informed by the report of the West Virginia debt commission, as well as the representatives of the commonwealth of Virginia, that the bonds of the state of West Virginia dated January 1, 1919, bearing interest at three and one-half per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on July 1 and January 1, each year, hereinafter described and to the face amount of \$13,500,000, together with a cash payment of \$1,062,867.16 with interest thereon from January 1, 1919, at five per cent. until the date of payment, thereof, West Virginia to pay one-half of the costs of said suit as taxed and certified by the clerk of the Supreme Court of the United States, will be accepted in full satisfaction of said judgment, now therefore, be it enacted, etc."

The first section of the bill authorized the state auditor to draw his warrant and the state treasurer his check in favor of the commonwealth of Virginia for the cash payment received. The full amount of this to apply upon the judgment of the court.

Section two provides that for the "payment of the residue of the judgment, both principal and interest, an issue of 'listable' engraved bonds of the state of West Virginia, coupon and registered, is hereby created, to the face value of \$13,500,000, and the auditor and treasurer are directed to cause these bonds and coupons to be engraved as soon as possible after the act takes effect."

It is provided that the coupon bonds are to be in the denominations of \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 and the registered bonds in the denominations of \$100, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000. The coupon and registered bonds are to be interchangeable upon the payment of a fee of fifty cents for each such exchange.

Charleston and New York city are the two places at which the bonds are made payable at the option of the holder. It is provided that West Virginia may redeem any of the bonds at any time before maturity at par, with accrued interest. The bonds are to be signed by the treasurer and countersigned by the auditor of West Virginia.

The form of the bonds and coupons are then set forth, followed by the provision for delivery of \$12,355,500 of the bonds to Virginia, and for the holding of the rest of the bonds in escrow by the state board of public works, to be turned over to Virginia upon its presentation for payment of Virginia certificates now lost or undelivered. The remainder of the bill provides for the manner of redeeming or purchasing the bonds by the state for the raising of the necessary revenue; for the payment of the interest on the bonds for the first six months after their issuance out of the general revenues of the state, and authorizes the

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auditor to ascertain as soon as possible from the clerk of the Supreme Court the amount of costs owed by West Virginia.

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Elery Stansberry who has been confined to his bed with influenza, is also to be out again.

Mrs. Boze Huffman, who has been sick for the last two weeks with neuralgia, is improving slowly.

Ralph Beckman has built a new kitchen to the property now owned by Mrs. Norma Steward.

Mrs. Mary Smallwood was visiting the sick one day this week at Boze Huffman's.

Boze Huffman has purchased a new buggy.

There will be a sale at Clarence Malou's on the 19th of March. He is going to leave the creek for his new home in the suburbs of Fairmont near Owens' bottle factory.

Mrs. Mary Smallwood and her sister, Ida Price, have been visiting their sisters, Mrs. John Smallwood, of Surratt, and Mrs. Sarah Keener, of near Powells, have returned home.

Miss Myrtle Dust of Apena, Mich., is the first woman patrol on the Great Lakes.

FITTING. Hix—I hear they're re-flooring the country club garage. Dix—With parquet. I suppose.—Cartoons.

How Many Bills Do You Owe?

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