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ECONOMY IGNORED, LEGISLATURE ENDS IN WILD DISORDER

EIGHT MILLIONS VOTED
TO COVER EXPENSE OF
ADMINISTRATION

PLEDGES GO BY THE BOARD

Looting and "Horseplay" Feature
End Of Session Of Which Democ-
rats Were In Full Control—
Speaker Pleading For Reduction
Of Budget Hooted—Important
Bills Consigned To Morgue.

Senate of wild disorder marked the adjournment of the New Jersey Legislature Thursday last, after one of the stormiest sessions in its history. After having fought like wildemen for three months over hundreds of measures in which the public interest in this State did not find the slightest interest because of the local or special character of these measures, the law-makers sat down in their seats and voted for appropriation bills taking from treasury of the State a total of \$5,48,300, sum \$45,000 in excess of the total amount appropriated in 1913.

Assemblymen barricaded up a number of items in the general bill and showed beyond question of doubt that a substantial cut could have been made in a number of instances. As he was speaking earnestly, many of the house members were engaged in packing up State "boot," in the form of waste baskets, writing paper, envelopes, scissors, paste and other "junk," making it ready for transportation to their homes.

The Democrats promised economy, but they did not give it. The appropriations for this year are nearly half a million dollars greater than for 1913, and a close examination of the appropriation bills will show a number of large items that could have been left out with out slightest harm to the administration of the State's business.

In the cataloguing to the monte were all of the important efficiency and economy bills, strangled to death because the Democrats played politics by refusing to pass legislation that would have resulted in removing from office about ninety state officers and employees. The passage of these bills would have saved New Jersey \$50,000 in salaries alone each year and would have brought about reforms for the establishment of efficiency in departments which are now administered in the interests of politics rather than in the good of the people.

The session which opened thirteen weeks ago with promises of reform, of beneficial service, of a degree of efficiency never before attained, ends with these promises unfulfilled. Legislative methods were to be reformed, there was no clogging of the machine, of ill-conceived action on bills. The appropriation measures especially were to be given at least a week's careful consideration in both houses; as it turned out they were printed and laid before the members less than 24 hours before the time fixed for sine die adjournment.

The Appropriations Committee's work was done behind closed doors. No information as to the amounts decided upon or the treatment of the several State departments and institutions was communicated to the Legislature until the belated introduction of the bills. Careful scrutiny, intelligent debate and judicious action by the two houses on the hundreds of items, aggregating \$8,42,700, was therefore impossible.

It was a repetition of the practice of blindly accepting the work of the Appropriations Committee and jamming the bills through—the practice which Governor Fiebler had denounced, and the majority had promised to correct. The appropriation bills this year add \$45,000 in excess of the appropriations of last year. The measure of Democratic economy may be gauged from the statement of items, aggregating \$8,42,700, was therefore impossible.

The Administration energies were expended largely in obtaining legislation to bring more money into the State treasury and avoid a threatened deficit. To raise this additional revenue existing taxes were increased and additional and hitherto unheard of taxes were levied. Governor Fiebler repeatedly hinted at the apparent necessity for a direct State tax—it served as a bugaboo to frighten timid legislators. At the same time, for Democratic purposes, the people will be compelled on their escape from a direct State tax, but congratulations can hardly be extended to the widowed orphans upon whom a direct inheritance tax was imposed.

While thus increasing taxation, laying an additional burden on the taxpayer, the tax rates were not disturbed. Promised economy and efficiency measures failed to pass. Governor Fiebler tried to shift some of the blame for their failure on the minority. But the majority's insincerity with respect to these measures was too obvious to escape the criticism of the minority and of the press.

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Rumsey-Applegate.

A very pretty but quiet wedding occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rumsey, on Thursday afternoon last when Miss Florence Rumsey was married to Edward A. Applegate by the Rev. John W. Lynch, a former pastor, but now of Cape May Court House. The bride was attended by Miss Anna May Abbott, a cousin of the groom, and Mr. George T. Evans, of Tuckahoe, whose cousin the groom, served as best man. The bride was handsomely attired in white satin, and Miss Abbott, the maid of honor, wore a beautiful pink satin dress. After the wedding dinner, the happy couple left amid a shower of flowers in an automobile for Newfield where they took the train for Washington. They will spend their honeymoon for a week at the National Capitol.

Preparing For Play.

Members and friends of May's Landing Council No. 121, O. U. A. M., are practicing for the well-known play "My Old New Hampshire Home," to be given in the Opera House on a date to be announced later.

FIELDER'S SIGNATURE MAKES OBNOXIOUS MEASURE A LAW

Fishermen Compelled To Pay License Fee To State.

Disregarding public sentiment among fresh water anglers throughout the State in order to raise in more funds to cover the expense of the Democratic administration, the measure compelling resident fishermen to take out a license costing \$1.50 and \$2.25 for non-residents was jammed through the Legislature, on the recommendation of the Fish and Game Commission, and contrary to expectation it was signed Thursday last by Governor Fiebler.

No more the trusty fishing pole and ear of worms will serve to while away late-Summer hours until the fisherman goes to the nearest clerk and pays \$1.50 for a license. Fishermen everywhere are indignant over the new law, which was passed despite vigorous protests.

The measure is calculated to provide funds for the Fish and Game Commission to conduct a hatchery at Blacketown. The Delaware River and Greenwood Lake are virtually the only fresh water publicly owned in New Jersey, and the effect of the bill will be such that ponds and streams privately owned will be stocked with game fish at the expense of resident and non-resident fresh water fishermen.

After this stocking, the supplied waters will be gobblin' up by gamblers and fishing clubs, so that the fisherman who rely on fishing for food will be required to pay a license fee and then be unable to use it except in waters where game fish are not placed.

The commission has declared that the Delaware river will not be stocked, and this means that those who pay the fishing license will have to be contented with meatus of non-game fish from this stream.

Fresh water fishermen in all sections of the State are opposed almost unanimously to this bill, but notwithstanding this sentiment, Governor Fiebler signed the obnoxious measure.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Mr. Charles M. Godwin has purchased a motorcycle.

Mrs. Frank Mott, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. Robert Bastian.

The family of Rev. Newton Nelson arrived here Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. William M. Cramer, a former resident, was visited yesterday.

A large number of residents will spend Easter Sunday at the beach.

Local anglers are interested over the emanation of the fisherman's health law.

Improvements were made to the Barnet property on Absecon Avenue this week.

Don't fail to hear the Easter music at the Presbyterian Church tomorrow morning.

Mr. George Biddle is making improvements to his store property by the erection of a front porch.

Messrs. Robert Bastian, William McCleary and Arthur Cramer spent Thursday in Philadelphia.

The Board of Health meeting of Hamilton Township has been postponed from the 11th to the 18th inst.

Miss Bertha E. Cramer, a teacher in East Orange, schools is home with her parents, for the Easter vacation.

Capt. Frank Vaughn has been appointed toll-keeper on the new Ocean City-Somers Point auto bridge.

Freelander Samuel Winterbottom and Mr. Frederick Lott, of Egg Harbor City, were visitors Monday last.

Mr. Theodore R. Smith, of Toms River, N. J., was the guest of Mrs. J. T. B. Smith and family Thursday last.

Mrs. William Stine has purchased the Island property on Cape May Avenue and has taken occupancy of the same.

Rev. A. E. McGettlenes of Princeton, N. J., will preach Sunday morning and evening at the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McClure, of Ocean City, were here Tuesday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel McClure.

The condition of Capt. Police Malcolm B. Woodruff, of Atlantic City, is reported much improved and he is expected to recover.

Mr. Harry Woodruff is making improvements to the interior of his Main Street property recently purchased from Dr. H. G. James.

Mrs. H. W. Shauer and son Albert returned Wednesday afternoon after a pleasant visit to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Inday in West Philadelphia.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Church thoroughly renovated the Parsonage this week. The wood-work inside was painted and the rooms repaired.

Mr. William Moore, of Philadelphia, and a large real estate owner of Ocean City, was in the building the Ocean City auto bridge, was a visitor Wednesday last.

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Laid At Rest.

Unity Lodge No. 96, F. & A. M., held its third departed member at rest Sunday last as many months when the body of John Ten Broek Smith, who died Wednesday of last week, was interred with Masonic honors in Union Cemetery, Paul Matler Albert C. Abbott conducting the ancient and impressive ceremonies. Brief services were held at his late residence by the Rev. Robert S. McKee prior to interment. The floral tributes were numerous and handsome, including beautiful designs from the Presbyterian Choir, the Clerk's office employees and Unity Lodge. Deceased had been a member of the latter for ten years, having been admitted from Remondy Lodge, Minisota, in order to affiliate here.

Held Special Services This Week.

Rev. Newton Nelson, pastor of the First M. E. Church, held special services during the past week in commemoration of Passion Week. The Pastor commented upon the daily activities and work of the Christ in an instructive and entertaining manner. Special music was rendered by the choir.

Housewives Attention!

We wish to express, through the columns of "The Record," our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy extended to us following the death of our husband and father, John Ten Broek Smith, who departed this life April 1914.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith and children, May's Landing, N. J., April 7, 1914.

Board of Health Meeting Postponed.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Board of Health of Hamilton Township will be held in the Township Committee Room, in the First House, May's Landing, N. J., on Saturday, April 18th, at 8 p. m. This meeting is held for the purpose of hearing complaints, reports and general business.

THOMAS G. HOOPER, Clerk.

To Whom It May Concern.

I will be much obliged if someone in the neighborhood of plot 18A, tract 1, Second Ave., West Egg Harbor, formerly property of D. B. Frasier Co., will correspond with me James E. Behar, Pademacke Boulevard, Greenfield Park, County Chambly, Quebec, Canada.—Adv.

Motorcycle For Sale.

Harley-Davidson single cylinder, 1913 motor-

cycle. Presto-Lite tank, lamp and horn. Has

not been driven 300 miles. Inquire of H. F. Edsall, Hammonton, N. J.—Adv.

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Wanted.

Large farm to buy or rent. Also road house

and hotel. Also undeveloped land. Write

Brown, 21 Duane St., New York City.—Adv.

Abbott's Bakery.

Spring is here. Now is the time to get

Abbott's Bread Checkers and reduce the cost of

living. Try \$1.00 worth and be convinced.

CHARLES T. ABBOTT, Prop.

Ley's Clothes Shop.

Ladies and Gentl. Tailoring, Cleaning and

Pressing. Ladies' Skirts and Suits made to

order. F. LEVY, corner Main and Hudson Sts.

Properties For Sale.

Special attention paid to placing safe, con-

servative mortgage loans. Small properties

for sale. Lewis Howell, Bacon 29 Law Bldg., Atlantic City, N. J.—Adv.

Printing.

For your printing needs, see Walter A. Mahin, for your job printing.

First class work at low prices. Adv.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast for Pleasantville, Gloucester and

New Jersey—Fair and warmer today. Bu-

day generally fair with local showers. Light

variable winds.

DEDICATE BAY BRIDGE WITH BIG CELEBRATION

All-Day Program To Mark Opening Of Span Across The Great Egg Harbor From Somers' Point To Ocean City—Clark To Speak.

An all-day program will be carried out to-day to dedicate the new automobile bridge across the Great Egg Harbor River from Somers' Point to Ocean City, linking the counties of Cape May and Atlantic. Prominent officials, headed by Speaker Champ Clark, will be present.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people of May's Landing by Irat T. B. Smith, member of the Inter-County Committee of Celebration, to attend the event.

The construction of the bridge was begun in June, 1913, built by the Ocean City Automobile Bridge Company. This bridge is 103.39 feet long and 22 feet wide on the trestles and 30 feet wide on the roadways. There are two draws of a modern type, 50 feet wide and electrically operated. It is constructed of the best material obtainable for this type of construction, the piling and all lumber up to the decking being crooked. A special guard-rail for automobiles is provided in addition to a heavy galvanized iron railing. One hundred electric lights will light the bridge at night. Cost about \$50,000.

The program for the day will be as follows:

11:00 A. M.—Coronation Exercises New City Hall.

12:00 P. M.—Opening of the bridge by Artillery Salutes.

1:00 P. M.—Luncheon at Yacht Club to veterans.

1:30 P. M.—Parade of autos. Forms on Garden Trail.

2:00 P. M.—Parade of decorated autos to Atlantic City.

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Local Points of Interest.

Cotton mill of the May's Landing Water Power Co., on Lake Lempke, Charles Kearns, Superintendent. Manufactures cotton towels, etc. Employs 250 hands.

Plant of the Atlantic Brick Manufacturing Co., one-half mile on the Pleasantville boulevard. Blue pressed brick. Employs about one hundred hands.

Cranberry bog of McKeown & Co., more than one thousand acres in extent, on the Egg Harbor City boulevard, about one mile from May's Landing. Charles D. McKeown, Super.

May's Landing Cut Glass, Joseph Thorpe, Super. Fine cut glass in process of manufacture.

County Jail and Offices of the Surrogate and County Clerk, Court House, Daniel F. Vaughan, Custodian.

Lake Lempke, artificial, and Lempke Falls, renowned for beauty and a favorite fishing ground for pike and pickerel. Boating and bathing.

Great Egg Harbor River, flowing Southwest eighteen miles to the town of Egg Harbor Bay once salted by large ships, the critics of old say yards still evident along shores. Picturesque and a favorite stream for motor-boats. Good fishing and bathing.

Publie water supply station. Water 99 per cent pure from artesian wells more than two hundred feet deep. Supply one hundred and twenty feet high, at fifty-five feet pressure. Cost \$30,000.

Industrial Park and public swimming adjoining Court grounds on Main Street.

High School, Fairmount Avenue, S. G. Huber, Principal.

First National Bank, Main Street, M. H. Moore, Cashier. Deposits \$120,000. Chrested.

Library Hall, Second street. Headquarters Religious Home Company and Gen. Joe Hooker Post, G. A. R.

Freeholders Committees.

Finaner, W. L. Black, Samuel Winterbottom, Fred. Willets, F. Brady Doughty, E. W. Shackford, Cyrus F. Osgood, Robert F. Fitzgerald.

Seymour, A. B. Smith, A. T. Field, John Worthington, Charles Hart, G. B. Jeffers, J. K. Johnson, Cyrus F. Osgood.

Ronald, G. B. Jeffers, C. W. Clements, J. K. Johnson, John Hansmann, E. W. Shackford, G. B. Jeffers, Hart, Pennington, Corson.

Bridges, James Clark, Fred W. Willets, Jim T. B. Smith, F. Brady Doughty, John Hansmann, John Pritch, Robert F. Sharman.

Public Buildings, T. B. Smith, Anderson Bourgeois, Harry Palmer, Edward Harris, Charles Kress, F. K. Johnson, G. B. Jeffers.

Postoffice Recognizances, John Worthington, Harry Palmer, James Clark, W. L. Vane Sant, C. W. Clements.

Ordnance, Anderson Bourgeois, W. L. Black, J. M. Kress, Edward Harris, Robert A. Schamberg.

Soldiers' Fund, W. S. Van Sant, Dominick Corson, Robert Hart, Anderson Bourgeois, Edward Harris.

Exchange of Prisoners, W. H. Black, Robert Hard, W. S. Van Sant, E. T. Field, Charles Kress.

Printing, John Worthington, James Clark, John Samuel, Winterbottom, James Clark, John Pritch, Robert Fitzgerald.

Library, Charles S. Clements, Robert Hart, James Clark, Harry Palmer, Jim T. B. Smith.

Members of Chosen Freeholders.

Atlantic City, John Field, 1st ward, F. Shackford, 2nd ward, Robert Fitzgerald, 3rd ward, John B. Worthington, 4th ward.

Alexander City, Charles Kress, 1st ward, F. Brady Doughty, 2nd ward.

Brioghtontown, Fred W. Willets, 1st ward.

Armed Forces, Fred W. Willets, 1st ward, Alfred A. Smith, 2d ward.

Boat Vista, Tom, Corp. George W. Corson.

R. H. Hart, 1st ward.

Egg Harbor City, Samson, Winterbottom, Egg Harbor City.

Egg Harbor Township, George W. Corson.

Seaside, the, Charles Kress, 1st ward, Egg Harbor Township, 2nd ward.

Galloway, Township, John Hansmann, 2nd ward.

Hart, John, 1st ward.

Hart, Edward, 2nd ward.

Hart, Robert M., Hart, 3rd ward.

Hawthorne, Robert M. Hart, 3rd ward.

Hawthorne, John P., Hart, 3rd ward