

# NEW YORK NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

## Paragraphs of Interest to Readers of Empire State

Interesting News of All Kinds Gathered From Various Points in the State and So Reduced in Size That It Will Appeal to All Classes of Readers.

Night school has opened at Niagara Falls.  
An army recruiting office has been opened in Jamestown.  
Wilfred Shaw has been appointed postmaster at Newfane.

Robert Gallagher has taken over the Buffalo postmaster's office.

The harvesting of nine-inch ice has started on Grand Island.

Salamanca water patrons will be given to April 1 to install meters.

There were 650 marriage licenses issued in Niagara Falls last year.

Residents of Geneva are reporting the appearance of robins in that city.

Agitation has been begun in Lockport for the erection of a municipal auditorium.

Olean's city clerk issued 276 marriage licenses this year. Last year he issued 313.

Frederick E. Bates, former mayor of Ithaca, died at his home there. He was 80 years old.

Seneca Falls barbers have lowered the price of hair cuts to 40 cents and shaves from 30 to 15 cents.

Ice harvesting has begun at Hornell where the ice is 12 inches thick on ponds now ready for cutting.

Three cases of jaundice have developed at Niagara Falls. The state health department is investigating.

Bootlegging is chiefly responsible for the Jamestown city court's large income of this year, which amounted to \$23,600.

Forestville, which has been illuminated with gas, will substitute electricity to be furnished by a Silver Creek corporation.

Perry's fire department will be reorganized. The three companies will be disbanded and one company organized to take their place.

According to the report of Thomas M. Brennan, county superintendent of highways, Niagara county has 2517 miles of improved roads.

Donald Clarke, son of the editor of the Perry Record, was severely injured in a coasting accident when a skidding automobile hit him.

Before completing his business for the year, the Steuben county supervisors adopted a resolution reducing salaries of a large number of county officials.

Vital statistics of New York city for 1921 show that the year marked the lowest general death rate, as well as the record for lessened infant mortality.

The annual report of the state troopers shows that the Batavia troop has covered 321,016 miles of territory in the rural districts within the past year.

From April 1, 1921, to Jan. 1, 1922, a total of 16,637 persons registered at the rest room in South Main street, maintained by the Canandaigua Business Men's association.

Steps are being taken by the lawyers of the county to reorganize the Steuben County Bar association, organized in 1895, but which has failed to function for a number of years.

Home building in New York city in the 43 weeks since Feb. 27 last when the tax exemption ordinance went into effect, has increased 413 per cent over the same period in 1920.

The American insurance company of Jamestown did a business this year of \$80,000. This is the only concern in the United States making income. The business was established in 1916.

The Lisk Manufacturing company's plant in Canandaigua is operating at normal capacity after the holiday inventory shutdown, according to an announcement from the general office.

Canandaigua postoffice fell short \$1,696.13 of the sum necessary to raise it to the status of a first class office, as the result of its stamp sales for 1921, according to Postmaster Gardner.

An increase in working hours from 48 to 54 a week and a reduction of 12 1/2 per cent in wages has been announced in 12 of the largest textile mills in Utica. The change was effective Jan. 9.

Compulsory arbitration of industrial disputes as a measure of protection for the public, is provided for in a bill sponsored by the New York board of trade and transportation, to be submitted to the state legislature.

Klarence Mombberger of Hamburg has been appointed a deputy sheriff by Sheriff Waldo of Erie county. She is the first woman in the history of Erie county to hold such office. She was a yeomanette during the war.

The Randolph McNeil farms, one of the largest farms in Southwestern New York, devoted to the raising of pure bred Holstein cattle, has been purchased by John T. Gardner of Randolph. The late Charles M. Dow of Jamestown sold the property several years ago to Walkers and Bull, who disposed of it to the McNeil company.

New York state nurses, according to Bertha H. Gibbons of the Buffalo health department, in a wire to Representative McGowan, are opposed to the passage of the Leback reclassification bill now pending before congress.

The largest increase in population of the 13 New York state hospitals for the insane in any one year occurred last year, according to the annual report of the State Charities Aid association to the state hospital commission.

Anticipating a tremendous increase in both freight and passenger business after the first of the year, the Erie railroad has made preparations to call many employes back into the service at Hornell. Fifteen new crews will be put on.

Receipts at the Corning postoffice in 1921 exceeded \$60,000. Assistant Postmaster John F. Kennedy announces. During December the office handled more than 25,000 parcel post packages. The total receipts from this source was \$7,705.05.

Resignation of J. R. Rose, M. D., as superintendent of the Dannemora State hospital for the Criminal Insane, and his appointment as medical inspector by the state hospital commission, was learned from the office of the state superintendent of prisons.

The National Construction company of Philadelphia was awarded the contract by the village of Painted Post for installing a new sewer system in that village at a cost of \$62,000. The new system will provide for four and one-half miles of storm water and sanitary sewers.

A. O. Bunnell, secretary emeritus of the New York Press association, having been its active secretary for 43 years, was remembered Christmas by 70 newspaper friends who united in sending him a purse of more than \$400. Mr. Bunnell will be 86 years old the 10th of next March.

The New York State Automobile Bus association has been formed in Rochester with the following officers: President, Alan V. Parker, Niagara Falls; Vice President, A. F. Warner, Watertown; secretary and treasurer, James J. Dadd, Rochester; attorney, John J. Melneaney, Rochester.

It was announced at the Dairymen's League headquarters in Utica that the price of January milk has been reduced from \$3.37 per cwt to \$3.10 per cwt. The reason for this action was given that it was impossible to sell the milk for \$3.37 on account of unsatisfactory market conditions.

Harry Yates of Orchard Park and R. E. Chapin of Batavia are candidates for election as directors of the New York Holstein-Friesian association at its annual meeting to be held at the Yates hotel, Syracuse, Jan. 10. In connection with the meeting the association will hold its annual sale of stock.

The New York Central stock yards at East Buffalo are now known as the Buffalo stockyards. Many famous meat packers began their careers at the East Buffalo plant. The late G. F. Swift put in his apprenticeship there. Nelson Morris, another great packer, also began his business life at the Buffalo yards.

James A. Easton of New York city, well known in newspaper circles throughout the county, has purchased the Canandaigua Messenger, established in 1797, claimed to be the oldest newspaper west of the Hudson river. Easton will continue his present connection as sales manager of the King Feature service, placing his brother, Hubert R. Easton, in charge of the Messenger.

Edwin W. Fisk, whom the Democrats elected mayor of Mt. Vernon last fall, started in his term with a new year's resolution to reduce the mayor's salary from \$5,000 to \$4,500. He has carried out his resolution. His ninth term in office, he said, would be characterized by economy, efficiency and service. To that end he has appointed seven women to posts in his cabinet.

Full resources of the state health department have been ordered mobilized by Health Commissioner Biggs for a state probe into what may prove to be an epidemic of infectious jaundice. This action was taken, it was announced by the health department, following the recent description of several groups of suspicious cases in the upstate counties of Madison, Oswego and St. Lawrence.

Automobiles and motor trucks killed 1,981 persons in New York city and state during 1921, an increase of 452 fatalities over 1920, according to statistics. A New York city judge in charging new grand jurors declared that drivers should be bonded and insured. He recommended police department supervision of license and consideration of the character of applicants.

The New York legislature convened last week for its 145th session. The assembly re-elected E. E. Machott, Rep., of Jefferson, speaker for a second term. The Democrats C. D. Donohue of New York as leader of the minority of the house for another year. Simon Le Adler of Monroe will continue as Republican floor leader. In the senate C. R. Lusk of Cortland, Rep., and J. J. Walker of New York, Dem., retained their posts for another year. The Republicans in the senate have 35 votes, the Democrats 11 and Socialists 1, while in the assembly membership includes 97 Republicans and 53 Democrats. Twenty-six votes are necessary to pass legislation in the senate and 76 in the assembly, giving the Republicans a working majority of 13 in the senate and 21 in the assembly.

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Ratification of Peace Pact Intensifies Split in Dail

FACTIONS IN SECRET SESSION

De Valera Still Leader of Sinn Fein, as No Official Action Has Been Taken as Yet on His Resignation. Confere With Fifty-Six Anti-Treaty Colleagues.

The peace treaty has been ratified and prayers of thanksgiving went up from the people in all the churches, but Ireland continues to face internal disorganization, giving rise to the greatest anxiety.

The split in the Dail Eireann has been heightened and intensified by the vote on the treaty, and the future was never more obscure. At different hours Monday the two factions held conferences at the Mansion House.

De Valera's Resignation Not Official. It has become apparent that De Valera's resignation as president of the republic did not take an official form, and the outstanding question is whether he will make effective his expressed intention to resign, and if he does not, what will become of the Dail. Many believe that the opponents of the treaty plan to keep the Sinn Fein parliament in being while the supporters of the treaty endeavor to establish a provisional government and carry out the terms of the peace agreement.

Mr. De Valera's resignation tendered to the Dail Eireann on Friday was specific he consented, however, to postpone action thereon on condition that a vote on the treaty should be taken within 48 hours. At the same time he plainly stated that he intended, whatever happened, to retire to private life.

When the vote was taken, the resignation was not repeated, Mr. De Valera merely alluding to it when he rose and in voice broken with emotion began to explain his personal position. But he had not got far when he sat down, unable to go on.

De Valera Held Conference. Subsequently De Valera summoned a meeting, exclusively confined to the 57 deputies who voted against the treaty, and he delivered a speech which was a clear indication of his intention to continue the fight, this time, apparently, not only against the British government, but against the provisional government of the Irish Free State, which, he said, he regarded as a usurpation, and to which the chief objection is that it derives its authority from the British parliament.

### MYSTERY VEILS FUNERAL

Secrecy Marked Burial of the Late Senator Penrose

An air of guarded mystery, a shroud of silence, surrounded the burial of Senator Boies Penrose beside the body of his father, in a modest grave in South Laurel Hill cemetery, Philadelphia.

Mystery which sets the heads of old Philadelphia swag, similarly cloaked the final disposition of the remains of his father, a decade ago.

This oddest of family secrets, shaken clean of its age-old, dusty mantle of mystery has been laid bare.

It was fear of being buried alive. He expressed this fear to his physician; to the old family undertaker who had cremated the body of his father. Each of the individuals was carefully instructed to be certain he was dead, in case death came before his casket had been lowered into the grave. Every means of proving rigor mortis was to be resorted to.

These tests, it is reported, were carried out exactly as ordered by Senator Penrose on his death bed.

### Opens Smoking Room for Women

An elaborately fitted smoking room, exclusively for women, will be opened in the Globe theater in New York, one of Broadway's best known amusement houses. "The theater must follow the trend of the times," the management announces. Many of the woman patrons of the theater were to be seen last season smoking in the lobby, it said, and the theater desired to provide them with quarters where they could do so in comfort.

### Hays Denies Signing Movie Contract

Postmaster General Hays denied he had signed the contract proposed by the moving picture producers, as asserted by a New York paper. "I have nothing to add to my statement in New York that the offer made to me is under consideration and that I have reached no decision," said Mr. Hays. "The fact is that I do not know the details of the proposal."

Sewer Pipe Combine Indicted. Indictments charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust law have been returned by a federal grand jury in New York against a sewer pipe combine. The indictments returned several weeks ago were un-

