

THE TRANSCRIPT

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THE QUESTION OF whether women shall be eligible for Jury service in Maryland is again before the Legislature. There have been two proposals for this bill, one includes optional service and the other compulsory service. The first proposal would permit the individual to determine whether or not they cared to serve after their name is drawn and the second would place women on an equal basis with men under the present system. Men have been serving as Jurors, in most cases, as a duty to their community as it generally interferes with their daily routine of business affairs. Judges are constantly being requested to excuse certain individuals and if the reason is such that the service would render great hardship, their request is generally acceded to and some one drawn in their place. If women are subject to Jury service it will probably bring up entirely new kinds of requests. The questions would be whether "I have to get dinner for Hubby," or "my children need me," or the numerous other duties of the wife is sufficient excuse. As far as the men are concerned, it would materially increase the eligibles for Jury service, and to the ladies drawn less frequently, as to whether they want to serve on Jurors. From a recent public expression, either they don't want to serve or the men don't want them. Whether they get Jury service or not, however rests with the ladies themselves because history shows that they generally get what they want along political lines and as to other lines we will make no comment.

IN A RECENT communication from Annapolis it was stated that, "Under the efficient leadership of President Arthur H. Brice, of Kent County, in the Senate, and Speaker Thomas E. Conlon, of Baltimore City, in the House, committee consideration of the proposed measures is being carried on with a despatch that is in decided contrast to the activity of many former sessions of the Assembly. From present indications, it not only seems entirely possible, but even quite likely, that the present session will have its usual last-minute hectic rush of legislation of every nature, minor and major, will be eliminated entirely—an end to which Speaker Conlon already has signified his intention to work." It will be remembered that Governor Herbert R. O'Connor stated in his inaugural address that the Legislature might complete its work before the expiration of the period allowed under the law. This is quite a contrast to former sessions whereby the last minute rush has enabled the pushing through of bills before they could be given due consideration by the law makers themselves and in most cases the people of the State found laws on the books that they were unaware that they were even being considered. Every evidence points to the fact that the present administration is one of action and one that is making campaign pledges a reality rather than mere vote getters. Among these measures which have already been set in motion are:

"Creating an Industrial Relations Department and abolishing both the Office of Commissioner of Labor and Statistics, and the State Industrial Accident Commission. "Providing for the Creation of a Department of Natural Resources, and abolishing the offices of State Game Warden and State Forester. "Providing for a Legislative Council and prescribing its membership, powers and duties. "Several bills relating to the reorganization of the People's Court of Baltimore City. "Creating the Department of Public Welfare under the Direction of a Director of Public Welfare, and creating the Council of Public Welfare and defining the powers of said department; "Abolishing the Racing Commission, and substituting a Racing Commissioner and an Advisory Commission; "Creating Department of Post Mortem Examiners to replace the Coroner system. "Repealing certain sections and enacting substitute sections of the Annotated Code with relation to the composition of the State Roads Commission. "One thing that impresses the visitor to the State House these days is the spirit of cooperation manifested—a spirit that seems to evince the whole-hearted desire of the rank and file of the Legislature to 'go along' with the Governor. There is a general realization of the acute state of the finances of the State, and of the desirability for economy, and for meeting problems face-to-face, instead of dodging them by devious devices. After talking to members from various counties, as well as from the city, it looks as though the Governor will find plenty of backing for most if not all of his proposals."

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Under and by virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the Circuit Court for Kent County, at the direction of St. George Trust Company, Assignee of John H. Geis & Co., in the matter of the suit of John H. Geis & Co., Inc., against Herbert G. Stine and Lea T. Stine, and to me directed, I have seized and taken in execution all the right, title, interest and estate of Herbert G. Stine and Lea T. Stine, in and to the following three tracts or parcels of land, all located in Kent County, Maryland:

(1) All that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the First Election District of Kent County aforesaid and described as follows: that is to say, in Georgetown or along the Western side of the State Road leading through Georgetown, otherwise known as King street, beginning at the north-eastern corner of said tract where it corners in the center of said road with the lands of Sallie E. Lockwood and at the junction or intersection of Queen Street with the said State Road; thence with the center of said State Road South 15 1/2 degrees East 220 feet 6 inches to the lands of the heirs of Serena Smith; thence with the Smith lands South 74 1/2 degrees West 277 feet; thence continuing with the said Smith lands and the lands of the heirs of Mrs. Anna Wallace, South 9 degrees East 248 feet 6 inches thence with the Wallace land South 75 1/2 degrees West 350 feet to the Hance lands James E. Woodall, Sr., thence North 64 3/4 degrees West 230 feet with the James E. Woodall lands to Sassafras River; thence with the Sassafras River up-stream North 30 1/2 degrees East 420 feet to the center of Queen Street and to the land of Mrs. Sallie E. Lockwood; thence with the center of said street and lands of Mrs. Lockwood North 74 1/2 degrees East 550 feet to the place of beginning and containing 6 3/4-100 acres of land, more or less.

(2) All those lots or parcels of ground known and designated as Lots numbers 37 and 38 on the Plat of Georgetown, made by B. E. Smith, dated 1877 and which are bounded North by Prince of Street, on the West by Calvert Street and South by lots numbers 30 and 31.

(3) All that Lot of Woodland on the road from Massey and Galena and what is known as "Little Forest" adjoining the land of Edward A. Scott, by the heirs of Isaac Gibbs, on the East by what is known as the "Ireland Land" and on the South by the lands of the heirs of the late Isaac Gibbs, and on the West by the land of Edward A. Scott, containing ten (10) acres of land, more or less. Together with the buildings and improvements thereon erected, made or being; and all and every the legges, appurtenances and advantages, to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Said three tracts or parcels of land being the same and all the land conveyed by Harrison W. Vickers, Attorney to Herbert G. Stine and Lea T. Stine by deed dated the 21st day of January, 1929, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County in Liber R. A. S. No. 2, folio 608, etc., and being also the same property which was conveyed by voluntary deed of trust from Herbert G. Stine and Lea T. Stine to Allan Sauerwein and Clarence W. Perkins, Trustees, dated November 13, 1935, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County in Liber R. A. S. No. 15, folio 61.

The tract or parcel firstly above described is subject to the operation and effect of a mortgage in the principal sum of \$6,500, with accrued unpaid interest, from Herbert G. Stine et al. to Harrison W. Vickers, Trustee, bearing date April 2, 1928, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County in Liber R. A. S. No. 1, folio 225, etc., which mortgage proceedings have been instituted and are now pending. The firstly described tract is also subject to the operation and effect of a second mortgage in the principal sum of \$6,500, which accrued unpaid interest, from Herbert G. Stine, et al. to the Third National Bank, bearing date April 8, 1932, and recorded among the Land Records of Kent County in Liber R. A. S. No. 8, folio 89, etc., said mortgage also being overdue.

The firstly and secondly described tracts are improved. The improvements consist of a substantial brick dwelling covering a portion of both of the said tracts, two small frame cottages located entirely upon the firstly described tract, and appropriate out-building, said improvements being generally known as the Kitty Knight House. A portion of the said structure known as the Kitty Knight House consisting of ten (10) rooms is the original structure erected in 1755 and is famous through its connection with the War of 1812. Extensive improvements and alterations have added twenty-seven (27) rooms to the original structure. The thirdly described tract is unimproved woodland.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1939

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