

No. 236

AN ACT

Amending the act of March 17, 1921 (P. L. 32), entitled "An act authorizing the erection and construction by counties of memorial halls in memory of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such counties; providing for an election to determine whether such hall shall be erected; providing for the purchase and condemnation of property for such purposes; regulating the use of such halls; and providing for the maintenance and care of the same, by a board of control, at the expense of the county," requiring memorial halls to contain rooms for meetings of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, and further regulating the composition of the board of control of the memorial hall.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Counties—
Memorial halls.

Section 1. Sections 4 and 6, act of March 17, 1921 (P. L. 32), entitled "An act authorizing the erection and construction by counties of memorial halls in memory of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such counties; providing for an election to determine whether such hall shall be erected; providing for the purchase and condemnation of property for such purposes; regulating the use of such halls; and providing for the maintenance and care of the same, by a board of control, at the expense of the county," amended April 6, 1925 (P. L. 154), are amended to read:

Sections 4 and 6,
act of March 17,
1921, P. L. 32,
amended April 6,
1925, P. L. 154,
further amended.

Section 4. Such memorial hall shall be in honor of the soldiers, sailors, and marines from said county, who served in the Army or Navy of the United States in the War of the Rebellion, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, the War with Germany and Austria, and all other wars in which the United States has been or may hereafter be engaged. Such memorial halls shall each contain one large assembly room or auditorium for public meetings of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such county, which may be used also for other public meetings and patriotic gatherings by the consent of the board of control herein provided for. Such memorial hall shall also contain rooms for meetings of posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, encampments of the Union Veteran Legion, commanderies of the Loyal Legion, camps of Sons of Veterans, Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, chapters of the Daughters of the Revolution, organizations of the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, and organizations of veterans of all other wars in which the United States has been or may be engaged, and also rooms for the county histori-

Purpose.

Plan of hall.

Use.

cal society and for such committees of public defense and welfare as may be created by the State or as may be approved by the board of control hereinafter provided for. Such memorial halls shall also provide room for the display and preservation of relics and trophies of all wars in which the United States has been or may be engaged, photographs, paintings, and portraits, busts, and statues of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the said counties, and mural tablets, upon which shall be inscribed the names of such soldiers, sailors, and marines. Such memorial halls shall also contain waiting and rest rooms with lavatories attached.

Board of Control. Section 6. A board of control is hereby created, which shall have charge of all matters relating to such memorial hall, and shall have the care thereof. The board shall be composed of three members chosen by members of the Grand Army of the Republic, three members chosen by members of camps of Spanish-American War Veterans, three members to be chosen by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, *three members to be chosen by Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated*, and three members to be chosen by members of the American Legion. The judges of the court of common pleas and the county commissioners shall be ex officio members of the board of control. The selected members of the board shall serve one year, when their successors shall be selected. Vacancies occurring shall be filled by the board for the unexpired term.

APPROVED—The 12th day of August, A. D. 1959.

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No. 237

AN ACT

Amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), entitled "An act relating to counties of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," authorizing appropriations to posts of the Italian American World War Veterans of the United States, Incorporated, to help defray the costs of Memorial Day and Armistice Day, and authorizing such organizations to collect, prepare and file data concerning burial places of military, naval and other combat personnel with the county commissioners.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 1921, act of August 9, 1955 (P. L. 323), known as "The County Code," is amended to read:

The County Code.

Section 1921, act of August 9, 1955, P. L. 323, amended.