

THE PRESS and the PEOPLE

SOME EVILS OF SCHOOL LIFE.

That the long school day is not necessary for the end desired has been shown both by accidental circumstances and by experiment. In 1909 it happened that many thousands of children in New York City had to be restricted to half-day attendance because of the overcrowded condition of the schools. A well-known authority in child hygiene made a thorough study of the progress made by these "half-timers" and was forced to the conclusion that in New York, at least under the school conditions then existing, a half-day was productive of better results than a whole day. It is interesting to note that the results of this study were never published.

Experience proves that by a half-hour of daily instruction for one or two years any intelligent mother can prepare her child to enter the third year of daily private instruction. Continued to the thirteenth or fourteenth year would fulfill all the academic requirements for entrance into the high school.

The cry of the teachers is always "not enough time for the required work." To have each grade "cover the course of study" month by month delights the superintendent's heart. It is an end to work for. If he would spend half as much time and energy in searching for and cutting out the unnecessary work as he now devotes to the framing up of rigid prescribed courses he would have at the end of the school year a class just as brilliant mentally and with a good many more red corpuscles.—Harper's Weekly.

THE LORIMER CASE.

The action of the senate in voting that Lorimer had never been a member of it, may seem less drastic than outright expulsion, and doubtless the resolution was so worded partly because the accused man had not been directly connected with bribery, and partly because a majority rather than two-thirds was sufficient to carry it and so to vacate the seat. Nevertheless, the adoption of the resolution sets a precedent that, so far as it is observed, puts us beside England in the matter of pure elections. It is not necessary, that is, to prove that an official was responsible for or even aware of unwholesome things in his campaign; it is sufficient that "corrupt methods and practices were employed in the election."—New York Evening Post.

ALASKA.

If Congress would elect to treat Alaska, an infinitely more valuable possession and with a population almost exclusively composed of white American citizens, with one-tenth of the liberality that it has treated the Philippines, that territory would not only be self-supporting, but it would develop in such a manner that the trade of the United States with it would be worth more than the trade which this country now has with any foreign country on the Pacific, with the Philippines thrown in for good measure.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

UNBAITED BREATH NOW COMMON.

An esteemed contemporary observes: "There has been a time in our national history when the judiciary was a fetish which the ordinary man spoke of only with bated breath." However, the times have changed and with them the manners, and much for the better. Nowadays no man thinks it necessary to halt his breath before speaking of the judiciary or anything else. Indeed, the unbaited breath is in such favor that it is now in common use even in prohibition districts.—Pittsburg Gazette-Times.

MUSIC BY WIRELESS.

Wonders continue multiplying. The latest sensation is the transmission of music by wireless telephone. Just how this is done men can not understand, but that it is a success is proved by the fact that music has been transmitted a distance of 434 miles from a battleship far out to sea to an experiment station atoulon. The sounds were easily heard by the operator, who was able to distinguish them from the subsidiary sounds which are always produced during an electrical disturbance, notwithstanding the fact that the experiments were carried out at midday, when the transmission of the waves is more difficult than at any other time. Experiments in wireless telephony were made during recent naval maneuvers between two French warships. At that time wireless telegraphy could not be worked on account of atmospheric disturbances, caused by heavy gunfire, but telephony worked admirably at a distance of 150 miles.—Newark News.

AN AMERICAN RHODES PLAN. With the aid of wealthy Americans.

Dr. Parkin, organizing representative of the Rhodes Scholarship Trust, hopes to duplicate on this side of the Atlantic the scheme of the South African millionaire, so that English students may be sent to American universities. As matters stand, European students are infrequently found at the universities of this country, while long before Cecil Rhodes founded his Oxford system many Americans had regularly gone abroad to complete their studies at the universities of France, Germany and England.

Pack of Dr. Parkin's suggestion the English students be sent to this country is the obvious hope that this year England may be helped to acquire a better understanding of American life, American institutions and American modes of thought and work. To the average American who travels abroad the ignorance and misconceptions of the educated Englishman, Frenchman or German about things American are likely to be small in spite of the number of their countrymen that have settled in this country, they seem to regard it as a land that by nature is somehow queer, monstrous or abnormal.

A few score of young Englishmen residing year after year in American colleges might serve as useful missionaries after they returned home and strengthen the bonds of sympathy between the two countries as only intimate acquaintance and close fellowship can.—New York World.

WILSON THE POLITICIAN.

Old time politicians may be confounded but they are no longer surprised at Gov. Wilson's innovations in the conduct of political affairs. They must grasp, however, over the news from Sea Girt that the Democratic candidate will run his campaign for election to the Presidency without the aid of the National Committee. This is, indeed, an experiment in national politics, and decidedly a novelty. Most of Mr. Wilson's essays in opening new paths to a desired goal have been based upon sound knowledge and observation and have attained the end sought. His present plan contemplates, what is, roughly speaking, a commission form of government for the national campaign. Mr. William F. McCombs who directed so ably the Governor's fortunes prior to the nomination at Baltimore, nominally will be the Chairman of the National Committee, but his responsibilities will be shared by an advisory commission.—New York Evening Post.

THE BULL MOOSE CONVENTION.

The bull moose convention will consist of 534 delegates, each one of whom has been carefully hand picked by a committee. Not one was elected by even a straw primary. Let the people rule. The platform of the bull moose convention has been prepared in advance by the candidate, and nobody has seen it or will see it until it is presented to the convention for adoption without unseemly debate.

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And these fellows talk about "bossed" conventions and programs!—San Francisco Call.

COATLESS CHURCH SERVICES.

A Washington preacher last night struck a new note in church-going comfort when he urged his male hearers to take off their coats during the services. While this unquestionably defies the conventions in a radical manner, it may possibly be considered as a concession to climate for the sake of getting more men to attend church. In most walks of life nowadays there is a larger degree of freedom in the matter of men's costumes, especially in summer time. A few years ago an effort was made to introduce the style of going without coats altogether in hot weather, but most men found this an inconvenience owing to the lack of pockets, to which they have always been accustomed. So the compromise has gradually become popular of taking the coat off whenever the temperature warrants.

Perhaps the coatless church will come into vogue generally. This idea is worthy of serious consideration as a means of making places of worship more attractive, at least less repellent, to the very class whom it is the ambition of every preacher to bring within the range of his influence. If a man can be assured that he will be physically as comfortable in a church as he is on his own front porch in summer time he is more apt to accept the invitation to listen to a good sermon.—Washington Star.

A DICTATORSHIP IN CHINA? To those who have followed the ca-

AMUSEMENTS

PLAYGOERS WAITING FOR HARTMAN

VETERAN LAUGHMAKER OPENS ENGAGEMENT SATURDAY



MUGGINS DAVIES, CLEVER ACTRESS WITH FERRIS HARTMAN CO.

Ferris Hartman and all that names implies when connected tandem in a play with a comic opera, is going to open at the Opera House, for a three weeks season, August 24, and the seat sale will begin at the rooms of the promotion committee Monday morning at nine o'clock. Even in Jaded San Francisco, and indifferent Los Angeles Ferris Hartman has made good, in a most distinctive manner and he can not fail to make Honolulu sit up and take notice. Pretty girls always go with a Hartman show, pretty girls, pretty music and pretty costumes, scenic effects, and Honolulu will have an opportunity of seeing them all.

Hartman is on his way to the Orient, Japan, China, India, the Philippines and elsewhere, and he is planning a stay in Honolulu to break his trip, and to see something of the place.

The present tour is made at the suggestion of Oriental Theatrical company of Manila, a company of business men, who were anxious to see something really good and took this means of gratifying their desires.

A. C. Fox, is the manager of the tour, who is proceeding to the company. He claims, and after one has heard of stories, seems to prove that he is a globe trotter of sorts. He came straight from Alaska through which he had taken some first class companies, visiting Dawson and Fairbanks. He says that "nothing is too good for Honolulu," and adds that he will leave it to the people here to see whether he has made good his boast.

SCHOOL TEACHER BECOMES BURGLAR

With \$16,000 in Bank to His Credit Former Chicago Instructor Robs Homes of Wealthy Residents

CHICAGO, August 3.—After an exciting chase today through the crowded streets of the business section, the police arrested Jacob B. Guthrie, alias Harry Brown, 23 years old, who is alleged to have robbed the homes of wealthy residents of the South Side of valuable paintings, silverware, jewelry, clothing, stocks and bonds, worth more than \$150,000.

As Guthrie was being locked in a cell he attempted to swallow two receipt slips which the police seized, and which later led to his identity. One was for a barn on the West Side and the other for a room in a storage warehouse.

When the police searched the barn and warehouse room they found thousands of dollars' worth of valuable articles, stolen from the homes of prominent Chicagoans in the last few months. Among the articles found were five oil paintings valued at \$10,000, stolen from Mrs. Chas. P. Kellogg.

Guthrie, who lived with his mother and brother, Robert W. Guthrie, a policeman, is charged with forging the name of Mrs. H. O. Stone and Mrs. Ella Wilson to checks for \$12,000 which he deposited to his own credit in Chicago banks. Guthrie is said to be a graduate of a local college.

Guthrie was an instructor in one of the public high schools until March, 1911, when he resigned. He attributed his downfall to speculating.

"My first burglary was committed in March, 1911," said Guthrie. "I did not spend my money in riotous living. I have more than \$16,000 in the bank, in addition to a number of shares in various corporations."

COURT-MARTIAL NEARLY A NAVAL INQUIRY

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 23.—The court-martialing of Joseph J. Kapsa, one time gunner's mate on the Delaware, is on the verge of reaching the magnitude of an inquiry by the United States Senate directed at the Navy Department. It is the subject of official correspondence between Senator John D. Works of California and George Von L. Meyer, Secretary of the Navy. The case with its circumstances and consequences is said to be unprecedented in American history and its outcome is expected to have far-reaching results.

The subject of the controversy reduced to the rank of seaman without pay is serving a sentence of one year at hard labor in the disciplinary barracks at Port Royal, S. C.

Kapsa was court-martialed for refusing to be vaccinated as a protection against typhoid fever. As his reason for refusing to obey orders he explained that he was a Christian Scientist and his religion taught him that the use of medicine was a sin.

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ROLLING COLLAR. The low collar is too comfortable to be abolished by creators of styles, and a compromise between the very high and the flat ones is found in the new rolling collar with pointed front finish, says the Philadelphia Times.

TO WHITEN TOWELS. Oftimes the towels become gray and dingy-looking. Treat them in this manner and they will become white again, says the Montreal Star.

FISHY FORKS. Silver forks that have been used for fish are apt to retain a fishy taste, especially if they have been used in eating kippered herrings or soured mackerels. This fishy taste can be removed readily by washing the forks in cold water before washing them in hot dishpan with the other dishes in hot soap water, says the Pittsburg Gazette Times.

CHILL THE EGG. When beating an egg, break the egg into a basin, and stand in the basin on the window sill, so that the egg may be chilled by the fresh air, says the Montreal Star.

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