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Sympathy and Influence of Friends Obstacles Met in Test

A record of efficiency among the teachers of the elementary schools is shown in a report on the 21,000 teachers and principals in New York's public school system submitted to the Board of Education yesterday by the Board of Superintendents. Few teachers are inefficient, according to the report, those who are being either the very young or very old.

Advanced age, illness and inexperience during the first three years of service are given as the principal reasons why some fall below the average mark.

**Classified in Report**

In regard to the elementary teachers the report shows the following classification: Excellent or superior, 39 per cent; very good, 44 per cent; average, 16 per cent; and poor, 0.1 per cent.

The report was submitted in accordance with a resolution adopted by the board on June 14 asking that the matter of efficiency be reported upon, as well as the reasons for the failure to proceed against inefficient teachers and principals in the past, and recommendations as to a method to be employed in the future for removing them.

Five superintendents failed to answer and five denied any failure on their part to proceed against the inefficient. Eight said it was difficult to prove inefficiency before the committees of the Board of Education, as sympathy for the teachers and influential friends added to the difficulty. The human element was responsible, it was said, as it was generally believed there would be an eventual improvement of the inefficient.

**Charges Aid Defence**

Vague charges often are employed in the defence, it was also stated.

"It is a common shibboleth among us that to present charges against a teacher is to be on trial yourself," says one superintendent.

In many cases, it was asserted, help given the inefficient had brought about changes for the better. Change of environment was sometimes a cure, especially where the personality of the teacher and principal clash, and teachers who fall in one school may succeed in another.

The committee on high and training schools, which investigated the charge of W. H. Newberger, of 2 Rector Street, that Alexander L. Pugh and John A. C. Collins, of the High School of Commerce, had identified the handwriting of Samuel Cohen on examination papers for teaching, and had conspired to give him a low mark from personal animus, reported there was no proof of conspiracy, and asked to be relieved from further consideration of the matter.

**J. H. FULTON COMING HERE**

New Orleans Financier to Become City Bank's Vice-President

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

New Orleans, Dec. 13.—John H. Fulton, president of the Commercial National and Commercial Germania Trust and Savings banks, will leave here about January 15 to become vice-president of the National City Bank of New York. He will retain his interest in the Commercial National and remain on the directorate, as well as in the many other local concerns with which he is identified.

Mr. Fulton came here as agent of the Canadian Bank of Commerce. He entered the local banking business with the Commercial Germania Savings Bank.

**John Graham Dies in Doorway**

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Boston, Dec. 13.—John Graham, an old-time theatrical manager and promoter of sporting and athletic events, died from heart disease late last night in a doorway at Park Square, when on his way home.

**CRUSADER SAYS 5 BACK DRUG TRADE**

Easy to Buy Narcotics in N. Y., Lieut. Sherb Tells Legislators

Lieutenant Henry Sherb, head of the "narcotic squad" of the Police Department, was the chief witness yesterday at the joint legislative committee's hearing on the drug evil. He admitted that it was easy for a person to get habit-forming drugs in this city, if he had the price to pay for them.

The lieutenant declared that five men in New York financed the illicit drug trade, but that they could not be punished under the law because they never handled the drugs.

"Many persons committing crime today are drug fiends," said the witness, "and their average age is about twenty-one years. Illicit traffickers realize a big profit on drugs sold them. Ninety-five per cent of the narcotics shipped out of this country are sent from this port to Canada, Mexico and Cuba, and we know that a large amount of this is returned to the United States.

**Returns the Real Menace**

"It comes into the States by automobile and by train. That is the real menace of the drug traffic. These people may purchase in any amount they have the money to pay for. The men who finance the game can buy an ounce for \$8 and then sell it, adulterated, for \$35 or \$40."

Lieutenant Sherb said that, in his opinion, the Federal government ought to prohibit the manufacture of heroin, as 90 per cent of the drug users who were arrested used this, the most powerful of all narcotics.

Heroin could be used in a hypodermic syringe with more lasting effect than "sniffed" as a powder in the usual way, he explained, suggesting that a law be passed prohibiting a person from having such a syringe in his possession, arrested all he had to do was to press the spring of the syringe and the evidence would be lost.

**Urges Clearing House**

The policeman urged a clearing house for narcotics under the various boards of health in the state, to be the sole custodians of narcotics and habit-forming drugs, to which physicians, dentists and veterinarians could apply in this manner, the witness said, a check could be kept.

Dr. Caswell A. Mayo, editor of "The American Druggist" and former president of the American Pharmaceutical Association, commenting on the restrictions which it is proposed to place on druggists and physicians in prescribing and dispensing habit-forming drugs, asserted that as the investigation by the legislative committee had shown that the proportion of physicians and pharmacists who are offenders against the drug law or contribute to the evil was so small, it had seemed unnecessary to burden them with additional restrictions until the great number of offenders who are known not to be in either of these classes have been curbed.

The committee will meet in Rochester Tuesday and in Buffalo the following day.

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**Psycho-Analysis Doomed**

**Girl Artist, Friends Say**

Miss Wright, Whose Body Is Sought in Harbor, Ended Life While Under Spell of Faddish Theory, Many in Greenwich Village Believe

Psycho-analysis, two years ago the most popular study in Greenwich Village, but recently satirized by Susan Glaspell and George Cram Cook in their play "Suppressed Desires," figures prominently in the disappearance Monday night of Miss Christine Wright, an artist and student of the science, living at 5 West Sixteenth Street.

All yesterday police launches scoured the harbor in search of her boat, following the discovery of a fur coat, its pockets containing letters addressed to her. Laborers on Pier 58, Hudson River, who found the wran, declared that they had seen it discarded by a woman who leaped into the water.

Ever since she took up the study of psycho-analysis Miss Wright has been despondent, friends declare. Sunday her mother and sisters, with whom she lived, were out of town, and Dr. John B. Solley, her physician, placed her in charge of a trained nurse. In the evening she had a long discussion with her mother and sisters, who lived in the same studio building. Monday afternoon she was able to go for a walk with the nurse, returning in excellent spirits.

**Patient Dupes Nurse**

Three hours later the nurse, who believed her patient to be resting, discovered that she had slipped out. Dr. Solley was notified and the police were asked to make a "confidential search" for her.

Miss Alice Wright, who was summoned from Boston, said yesterday that while there was no reason for her sister to commit suicide, her family had given up all hope of seeing her alive.

"She was the victim of overwork," Miss Wright said. "She had been trying to finish two or three portraits before Christmas, as well as doing some teaching. Her physician had warned us that she was liable to do some desperate act. For that reason we have been keeping a close watch on her."

Miss Wright was thirty-one years old and is described as one of the most beautiful young women in the art colony in the neighborhood of Washington Square. She was graduated from the Art Students' League eight years ago.

Psycho-analysis has loomed large in testimony, repudiated by Mrs. Saville, was the truth. This was favorable to Magistrate Corrigan.

Justice Goff said in his charge to the jury, referring to Mrs. Saville, "it would be unsafe for a jury to pin its faith to an acknowledged perjurer."

**COURT TO OPEN CORRIGAN CASE VERDICT TO-DAY**

**Jury Warned by Justice Goff Not to Put Faith in Testimony of Mrs. Saville**

Magistrate Joseph E. Corrigan will learn to-day how much his reputation has been damaged by the alleged libel contained in the novel "God's Man," for which he sued the Bobbs-Merrill Company for \$200,000. The case went to the jury yesterday, and Justice Goff ordered a sealed verdict, which will be opened this morning.

John L. Lockwood, counsel for the publishing company, dwelt on Magistrate Corrigan's visit to the apartment of the former Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, saying "A man is known by the company he keeps." The lawyer also mentioned that it was there the magistrate met "Teddy" Gerard, a chorus girl, whose life later was tied up with that of George Brownson Howard, author of the offending novel.

Mr. Lockwood paid a tribute to the loyalty of Mrs. Margaret Saville, divorced wife of Howard, who committed perjury at the trial to save her former husband and was committed to the Tombs to await the action of the grand jury. The lawyer said that while the voices of Stephen Nelson Lingard and Jack Francis, witnesses for Magistrate Corrigan, influenced Mrs. Saville to be a witness for the plaintiff, apparently it was Magistrate Corrigan who directed the course of events.

Henry Newton Arnold, attorney for Magistrate Corrigan, said that his client's visit to Mrs. Thaw's apartment was proper. He insisted that the first

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**VILLA THREATENS RAIDS ON U. S.**

Says He Will Send Troops Across the Border to Loot

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 13.—Francisco Villa announced in Chihuahua City he intended to divide his men into groups of twenty-five each and distribute them along the American border and in the interior of the United States to loot and burn property under his instructions, according to a letter received from a prominent Chihuahua City business man and forwarded to Washington to-day.

Villa, while in the state capital, declared his intention of raising an army of 25,000 men, but denied he intended to attack General Pershing's column, the letter added.

Villa also declared he would have his men in the border states issue proclamations calling upon the Mexicans living on the American side "to rise in rebellion against the United States."

Troops of the rebel chief are reported to have captured Mapimi, a mining town in the State of Durango, southwest of Torreon, according to government agents here.

Fighting was reported yesterday near Dachuimba Pass, south of Chihuahua

City, between the de facto forces and those of Villa.

**Approval of Protocol Depends on Withdrawal**

Mexico City, Dec. 13.—Persons arriving here to-day from Queretaro who are believed to be in a position to speak accurately give the strong impression that General Carranza has not approved unqualifiedly the protocol submitted to him as a result of the discussions between the Mexican and American commissioners at Atlantic City. They add that any tentative approval on the part of the Mexican commissioners, through Alberto J. Pani, depends on the fixing of a definite date for the withdrawal of General Pershing's troops irrespective of conditions. According to press reports, the protocol provides for withdrawal of these forces within forty days if conditions should warrant.

**PERSHING LAUDS AIR SCOUTS**

Prefers Aeroplane to Regiment of Cavalry for Reconnaissance Work

Field Headquarters, American Punitive Expedition, Mexico, Dec. 6.—Striking demonstrations of the value of aeroplanes in the last field manoeuvres brought forth the declaration by General Pershing that he would rather have an aeroplane than a regiment of cavalry for reconnaissance work. The admirable work of a motor truck train in transporting infantry to threatened points also brought warm commendation.

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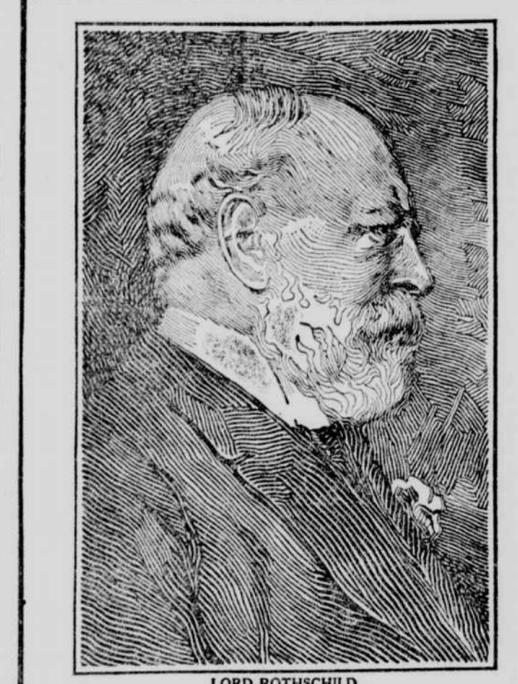
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