

Schools Bad, Prall Admits; Shifts Blame

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years 1914, 1915, 1916 and 1917. The aggregate amount spent for repairs to school buildings was \$5,438,986, while during the period of the same number of years under the present so-called Hyman administration, during the years 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921, there has been spent for the repairs of public school buildings the sum of \$10,847,742—more than twice as much has been spent, notwithstanding the erroneous reports and confusing percentages sent broadcast by the Public Education Association of this city.

On behalf of the Board of Education I beg to assure the citizens of New York that this board does not and will not evade any responsibility with which it may be charged during this administration, but I do wish to assure the parents of this city that the Board of Education and the city administration, of which Mayor Hyman is the head, already have under construction, some completed and others nearing completion, and which will be ready for occupancy at the beginning of the fall term, twenty-seven new elementary school buildings costing \$25,000,000, and that it has already adopted and approved a building program comprising:

• Twenty-seven new elementary schools, six new high schools, one new parental school, one new training school for teachers, one vocational school and twenty-six portable additions to buildings.

This makes a grand total of 109 school buildings and additions, at an estimated cost of over \$75,000,000, which when completed will provide a seat for every child on part time in the whole City of New York and which is the greatest public school building program ever contemplated by any municipality in any part of the world. To compare the achievements in the matter of public school accommodations for the best interest of the children of this great city with the achievements of any other administration during the history of this city would be ridiculous. Not only will no other administration afford comparison with this one, but I am glad indeed to go further and claim with at least some pride that no other city in the world has ever attempted to match this great achievement.

You will also observe, if you care to investigate, that many of the new school buildings included in this great building program are intended to relieve many of the conditions about which your committee complains with respect to the schools set up in your report.

I wish to call your attention to another condition that must be given consideration in this connection, and that is that when the consolidation of five counties was effected in 1897, or about twenty-four years ago, the City of New York assumed as a part of the legacy the school buildings of many villages and towns included within the boundary lines of the greater city. Many of the school buildings included in these villages and towns, and even in the cities of New York and Brooklyn, were very old at that time. The school population of the whole city was constantly increasing and former administrations have not made provisions for this increase by the erection of new school buildings fast enough to keep pace with it.

The increase in the school population of this city requires the building of ten ordinary school buildings annually.

I also wish to call your attention to another fact in connection with the public school building situation in this city.

On January 1, 1918, when this administration assumed control, there was not an existing contract for a new building or an addition to an old building in the whole city. Much may be said regarding seating accommodations at this particular moment, but I doubt if these reports made for political purposes during this municipal campaign year will fool the people, especially the parents of the children who are well informed and know of the efforts this administration is making to provide new public school buildings as rapidly as possible for the benefit of the children of this city.

In the detailed report concerning the condition of the City of New York by the woman Mr. Prall's reply can be summarized as follows:

Manhattan
Public School 11—Sanitary conditions are said to be excellent. Otherwise two reports agree. New forty-eight room school is to be built to relieve this school.
Public School 13—Reports agree, except superintendent declares twenty-seven rooms have been painted this year.
Public School 15—Reports practically agree, except for minor details.
Public School 16—Reports agree in general, but passed on lighting.
Public School 18—Both reports agree school ought to be condemned.
Public School 19—Superintendent's report states entire interior has just been renovated on the Fourteenth street building, and rest will be completed this year. Otherwise reports agree.
Public School 22—Reports agree.
Public School 23—Reports agree.
Public School 31—Outside of new roof, just completed, both reports agree.

Public School 37—Superintendent's report unable to refute charges of women. It is stated 1921 program contemplates twenty-four room addition to relieve congestion.
Public School 106—Both reports in agreement. Repairs will be made this year, and 1921 program calls for new forty-eight room building to relieve congested conditions.
Public School 127—Both reports agree.

Julia Richman High School—Reports agree, but superintendent feels hurt by statement that it is a notorious fire trap.
Public School 47 (for deaf pupils)—Women's charges not even answered; 1921 programme said to contemplate new school for deaf.

The Bronx
Public School 1—Repairs will be made this year.
Public School 4—Denies charge of inadequate fire protection, otherwise reports agree.
Public School 5—Entire roof blown off by wind storm in November; replaced by tin roof. Superintendent's report argues over women's reports on various issues, but shows conditions in school are bad.
Public School 38—Agrees garbage dump in vicinity is menace, but claims it is not fault of Board of Education.

Brooklyn
Girls' Commercial High School—Superintendent's report unable to refute reports of women.
Public Schools 10 and 13—Superintendent's report flatly contradicts women's report.
Public School 16—Reports agree, except minor repairs have been made this year, according to superintendent's report.

Public Schools 18, 22, 25, 50, 54, 75, 102 and 121—Both reports agree.

Queens
Public School 9—Both reports agree.
Public School 20—Superintendent flatly contradicts charge of dirty conditions, but otherwise reports agree.
Public Schools 28 and 98—Both reports agree.

Clearance Sale Fine Linens

The prices of all our linens have been radically reduced.

- Damask Table Cloths, pure Irish linen, 2 x 2 yards . . . \$5.95
- 2 x 2 1/2 yards . . . \$7.50
- Napkins to match, in beautiful round designs . . . dozen \$7.50
- Damask Table Cloths, pure linen, each \$3.75
- Damask Napkins, pure linen, dozen . . . \$4.95
- Huck Towels, Webb's famous "Dew Bleach" linen . . . dozen \$8.75
- Table Damask, pure Irish linen, 2 yards wide, splendid quality; yard \$1.95
- Kitchen Towels, twilled typed, marked in red only, large size . . . dozen \$3.95
- Crash Toweling, all pure linen, serviceable and absorbent . . . yard .30
- Glass Toweling, fine quality, red and blue check . . . yard .40

SECOND FLOOR

Carded Cotton Comfortables \$4.75

This special purchase was made just at July Clearance Time. These attractive carded, cotton-filled comfortables have floral silk mull centers with mercerized nainsook borders. They have been carefully selected as to quality and color. There are beautiful patterns of pink, blue, rose, lavender, green and tan.

SECOND FLOOR

Clearance Sale of Sheets and Pillow Cases

- Sheets:**
- 54 x 90 inches, 98c
 - 63 x 90 inches, \$1.15
 - 63 x 99 inches, \$1.25
 - 63 x 108 inches, \$1.45
 - 72 x 90 inches, \$1.25
 - 72 x 99 inches, \$1.35
 - 72 x 108 inches, \$1.55
 - 81 x 90 inches, \$1.35
 - 81 x 99 inches, \$1.55
 - 81 x 108 inches, \$1.65
 - 90 x 99 inches, \$1.65
 - 90 x 108 inches, \$1.75

- Pillow Cases:**
- 42 x 36 inches, 30c
 - 45 x 36 inches, 32c
 - 54 x 36 inches, 35c

SECOND FLOOR



A Full Sized Wardrobe Trunk \$39.50

This Full Sized Wardrobe Trunk, illustrated above, is 45 inches high, 24 inches wide, fiber covered and fiber lined. Lined in pretty cretonne. It has 12 hangers, shoe pockets, and 5 drawers. Top drawer locks. The two bottom drawers may be used for a woman's hat compartment. At a price that more than appeals.

SEVENTH FLOOR

A Special Purchase The "Cedarwood" Hammock, \$18.75

Made to look well and made to last—with the Lord & Taylor quality guarantee—that is the big idea behind this hammock, illustrated below. A special purchase from the manufacturer has made these low prices possible. "Cedarwood" has a tilted, adjustable back-rest, button-tufted mattress and convenient magazine pockets. Lawn stands and adjustable awnings extra . . . each \$8.50

FIFTH FLOOR



Store-wide JULY SALES

SECOND WEEK

Fine Furniture at Radical Reductions

The Clearance Sale on the Sixth Floor furnishes some very low prices on some very fine suites and miscellaneous articles in charming reed, willow, rattan and Kaltex furniture. Many suites, consisting of 3, 4, 5 and 6 pieces, in artistic new finishes and attractive colors, are offered at new low prices.



Miscellaneous

- Solid Mahogany Cane Chairs and Rockers (illustrated), \$19.50
- Mahogany Chairs, in brown denim, \$29.50
- Mahogany Lowboys, \$32
- Mahogany Gate Leg Table, 40x40 inches (illustrated), \$32
- Solid Mahogany Spinnet Desk, \$35
- Mahogany Panel Post Bed, full size (illustrated), \$35
- All-Mahogany Four Poster Bed, full size, \$67.50

Bedroom Suites

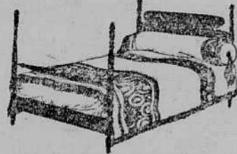
- Mahogany or Walnut Suite, \$225
- Walnut Suite, \$275
- Mahogany or Ivory Suite, \$350
- Mahogany Suite, \$495
- Mahogany Suite, \$550
- Mahogany Suite, \$600

Dining Room Suites

- Oak Suite, \$225
- Walnut Suite, 8 pieces, \$215
- Mahogany Suite, 9 pieces, \$395
- Walnut Suite, \$450
- Walnut or Mahogany Suite, \$495
- Walnut Suite, \$550

Miscellaneous

- Hourglass Chairs, \$6
- Mahogany Finished Breakfast Room Chairs (illustrated), \$11.75
- Fiber Rockers, \$13
- Windsor Rockers, wood seats, \$16
- Fiber Chairs and Rockers, (illustrated), \$18
- Windsor Rockers, rush seats (illustrated), \$18.50



The bed illustrated at the right is a mahogany panel four poster bed, full size, reduced to \$35 for this sale.

Diningroom and bedroom suites, desks, lowboys, tables, side chairs and rockers are being offered at July Clearance Sale prices.

SIXTH FLOOR

Clearance of Whittall Rugs

Down! This is the price report of this rug Clearance Sale. Remarkably low prices include Whittall Rugs, and fine Wilton Rugs in discontinued patterns. There are also wonderful Royal Wiltons. An added feature is the one price on our Persian, Turkish and Chinese Rugs.

Royal Wiltons

- All reduced for this sale.
- 27x54 inches, \$8.75
 - 4 1/2 x 7 1/2 feet, \$24.50
 - 6 x 9 feet, \$42.50
 - 8 1/4 x 10 1/2 feet, \$54.50
 - 9 x 12 feet, \$69.50

Worsted Wiltons

- The chance to buy a rug.
- Anglo-Persian and other equal grades, 9x12 feet, \$97.50
 - 8 1/4 x 10 1/2 feet, \$89.50
 - Royal Worcesters and other worsted Wiltons, 8 1/4 x 10 1/2 feet, \$69.00
 - 9x12 feet, \$74.50

Oriental Rugs

- A SPECIAL purchase. Approximately 6 x 3 1/2 feet, \$45.00
- Also rugs from our regular stock, greatly reduced, and a few from a special purchase.
- 9x12 feet and 8x10 feet, including Persian, Turkish and Chinese rugs at \$195.00

FIFTH FLOOR

House Furnishings—Special Prices

- \$10 The "Radiant" Fireless Cooker, illustrated at right, 4-quart capacity.
- The Duplex Cooker (illustrated below); No. 35, 1 stove—12 qt. capacity, \$16.50; No. 50, 2 stove—14 qt. capacity, \$23.50; No. 55, 2 stove—20 qt. capacity, \$27; No. 60, 2 stove—24 qt. capacity, \$30; No. 70, 3 stove—32 qt. capacity, \$37.50.

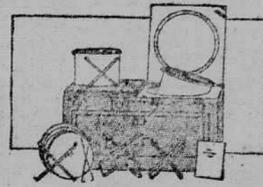
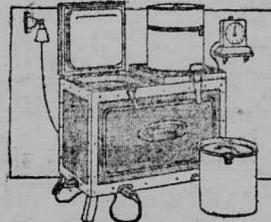
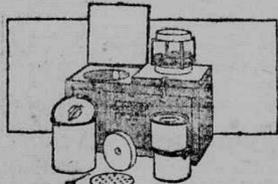
The Radiant \$10



\$40 The Electric Cooker. May be attached to electric light socket. Illustrated below.

- The Lord & Taylor Fireless Cooker; 1 stove—8 qt. capacity \$16; 1 stove—12 qt. capacity \$18; 2 stove—16 qt. capacity \$26; 2 stove—20 qt. capacity \$29; 2 stove—24 qt. capacity \$30; 3 stove—28 qt. capacity \$38. Illustrated below.

SEVENTH FLOOR



Greatly Reduced Wrought Iron Bridge Lamp \$10.75

Lamp prices slashed! That's what has happened on the Fifth Floor. The illustration shows one of our many fine types of lamps. The Wrought Iron Bridge Lamp, now selling at a record low price. It has the popular wrought iron standard finished in verde, black or rust, with an adjustable arm and 12 inch banded parchment shade. This is the ideal lamp for summer. It may be easily packed and shipped to the country.



FIFTH FLOOR

Special Purchases

Art Goods \$2.50

Allover Bungalow Aprons, stamped on beach cloth; to embroider in wool, 95c

Children's Dresses, to be embroidered; some stamped on white striped dimity and some on beach cloth. Sizes: 2, 4 and 6 years.

Clearance at 50c

To embroider:
27-inch centerpiece, on Indian Head.
18 x 45 inch scarf, on Indian Head.
18 x 54 inch scarf, on Indian Head.

FIFTH FLOOR

Community Plate

At Less Than Former Wholesale Prices

- Tea Spoons, 1/2 doz., \$2.25
- Bouillon Spoons, 1/2 doz., 4.00
- Desert Spoons, 1/2 doz., 4.25
- Table Spoons, 1/2 doz., 4.50
- Soup Spoons, 1/2 doz., 4.50
- Berry Spoons, each, 1.90
- Sugar Spoons, each, 75c
- Pie Servers, each, 2.50
- Dinner Forks, 1/2 doz., 4.50
- Desert Forks, 1/2 doz., 4.25
- Salad Forks, 1/2 doz., 4.00
- Dinner Knives, 1/2 doz., 6.75
- Desert Knives, 1/2 doz., 6.65
- Butter Spreaders, 1/2 doz., 3.50
- Cream Ladles, each, 1.15
- Gravy Ladles, each, 1.50

This is a discontinued pattern.

GROUND FLOOR

A Clearance of Cretonnes 40c Yard

All our imported and domestic cretonnes, in charming patterns and wonderful colorings, have been reduced. At a yard 40c

Special Purchases

French, English and American, 31 and 36 inches wide. Yard 65c, 95c

English, printed on good heavy cloth, recently imported. Yard 55c

Low prices in double width cretonnes, made in England, and printed lines.

Yard \$2.75, \$3.50, \$4.00

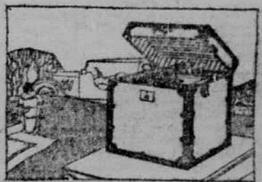
FIFTH FLOOR

An Exceptional Offer! A Victrola Feature \$39

This outfit permits music to be part of the scheme of things no matter how hard and wild the trip. The case is waterproof and will keep the Victrola dry. For this price it is possible to visit the Victrola Department and order:

- 1 Victrola IV, value \$25.
- 1 Case for Victrola IV.
- 1 12-inch album and \$5 worth of records, your own selection.

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