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CAPITAL TEACHER WILL BE NAMED AS SCHOOL HEAD

Decision Practically Reached at Board of Education Meeting.

DR. SMALL IS MENTIONED

Miss Elizabeth Brown Also Prominently Spoken Of—Selection May Be Made Tuesday Evening.

A Washingtonian will be the next superintendent of schools, it was practically decided yesterday by the Board of Education, in a four-hour executive session at Franklin School. Dr. Willard S. Small, principal of Easters' High School, and Miss Elizabeth V. Brown, director of primary instruction, are the most prominent candidates, it was reported.

Henry F. Blair, president of the board, said following the meeting that no candidates were discussed, and that the board had not "got down to individuals." Statements from members of the board were that the list of candidates has been narrowed until it includes only Washingtonians.

Protests Against Appointment of Residents of Other Cities to Municipal Positions Here Have, It Is Believed, Had Some Weight with the Board.

May Decide Tuesday Night.

The selection of a superintendent may be made, officially or unofficially, at an executive session of the board, to be held next Tuesday night at the office of Mr. Blair in the Colorado Building. It was learned, although there is some possibility that a superintendent will not be elected this month. Superintendent William M. Davidson will leave for Pittsburgh the evening of December 20. Unless a successor is named before that time, it will be necessary to elect a "dummy" with the understanding that he will resign on request.

The board, officially, professes to believe that there have been under consideration many out-of-town candidates. It was stated privately, however, that a resident of this city will be appointed Tuesday night. Should a nonresident be named, it is admitted that it hardly will be possible to obtain his services within two months. Selection hardly could be made before the Christmas holidays. For that reason, the fact that officers of the board say they will elect a superintendent without trouble is said to remove any doubt that a Washington educator will be elected.

Statements published that Ernest L. Thurston, assistant superintendent, would be named, were denied. It was said that Mr. Thurston has been considered only in the event of the resignation of the superintendent.

Objects to Nonresident Plans.

W. A. Colcord, of Takoma Park, Md., protested to the board against the "unjust discrimination in the nonresident tuition fee." Mr. Colcord said that he is in business in this city, and pays District taxes. He said he would like to place his son in the public schools of this city for the year for the tuition in public schools of his two sons.

It was claimed by Mr. Colcord that there is discrimination in that government employees, who pay no taxes, do not have to pay tuition fees because they live across the District line. He said he would like to see the board take a change in the law.

Henry P. Blair, president; Mrs. Susie Root Rhodes, Ernest H. Daniel, Mrs. Caroline Harris, W. T. Gallagher, Dr. Charles H. Marshall, Dr. C. W. Childs, and Harry O. Hine, secretary, were present. John B. Lerner was the only member of the board absent.

Kindergarten children shall have Christmas trees, the board decided. Money to erect and decorate the trees was appropriated. There will be a tree in each of the seventy-four kindergartens.

Letter from Supt. Davidson was read, in which it was recommended that municipal playgrounds be placed under the control of the Board of Education.

Supt. of Playgrounds E. S. Martin, Dr. Davidson, and the board will place under the control of the board all playgrounds.

Offer to Give Prize Made.

An offer by Mrs. H. Calvin Gage, of the National Society of Colonial Daughters, of a cash prize of \$5 for the best patriotic essay or argument, will be accepted. The board voted to permit John Reel, janitor of Ross School, to accept a prize of \$5 offered by the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association, for the best kept lawn. The school, in charge of Reel, won first prize.

Night schools will be closed for the

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MARSHALL GREETED ROCHESTER DINERS OVER THE PHONE

Addresses Chamber of Commerce in Place of President, Whose Voice Fails Him.

"There is no more reason for this or any other administration to harbor feelings of enmity against big business because it is big, than there would be for me, a little slender chap, to feel enmity toward a man who weighed 200 pounds, because he was almost twice as big as I am."

This was Vice President Marshall's greeting last night over long distance telephone to 600 members of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce at their mid-winter dinner, 400 miles away.

The Vice President "substituted" for President Wilson, who was scheduled to make the address by telephone. Mr. Wilson presided at a meeting of the Rochester Chamber of Commerce at the Hotel Cross yesterday afternoon. Because of this and the slight attack of laryngitis he is suffering, his voice failed him.

Mr. Marshall said that, while it is the duty of an administration to prosecute big business conducted contrary to law, it does not follow that all big business is to be condemned. Mr. Marshall said that as semi-official spokesman for the administration, it was his desire to wish the business men of Northwestern New York good luck.

His telegram of regret to the Chamber of Commerce, the President said he was greatly chagrined to find himself without a voice.

MAN SAYS HE'S 'NEEDLE' VICTIM

Wanders Into Philadelphia City Hall and Tells Bumbling Story.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 10.—The "poison needle" mystery, which stirred up the New York police several days ago, was transferred to this city today when a well-dressed, young man, somewhat dazed, walked into the detective bureau in City Hall and said he believed he had been the victim of a "needle man."

He said he was Dennis Sheiton, nineteen years old, 28 Division street, Richmond Hill, Long Island. His mind, he said, was unable to bridge the interval since he left his home yesterday morning for his place of employment in New York until he woke up in Broad street station this morning.

He said he was employed as a shipping clerk by the firm of W. R. Grace and Company, Hanover square, New York, and asked that they be notified.

MISS BONES LEFT OUT.

Name of President's Cousin Omitted from Social Register.

New York, Dec. 10.—The American today prints the following dispatch: "Washington, Dec. 10.—Miss Helen Woodrow Bones, cousin of the President, is mentioned in the President's household at the White House, is left out of this year's Washington social register, which appeared today.

"The names of President and Mrs. Wilson and the Misses Margaret and Eleanor Wilson are included and Mrs. Wilson's secretary, Miss Isabella Hagner, is also to be found there."

FLETCHER HALTS FOREIGN MARINES

American Consul Sends Wireless Saying Attack on Tampico Has Begun.

FOREIGNERS IN DANGER

Force May Be Landed from United States Warships to Protect Outside Interests.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 10.—There seems to be no doubt that the rebels began their attack upon Tampico this morning. Reports received from that point indicate that there has been fighting all day.

A report has been received from C. A. Miller, United States consul at Tampico, by wireless, to the effect that 4,000 rebels under the command of Villareal and Castro are advancing. It is stated that Villareal has ordered the rebels to attack the city without delay. He has notified the United States authorities that it will be advisable to have all foreign residents removed from the town immediately, as he cannot be responsible for the lives of foreigners who may be endangered by fighting in the streets. He says, however, that he will do all in his power to protect the foreigners.

Private telegrams received here today state that Tampico has been evacuated by Gen. Habago and the federal forces at the request of the U. S. Legation, for the sake of humanity.

These private dispatches also said that the German and British ships had made a movement to Tampico and Admiral Fletcher told the commanders that American marines would be landed if necessary.

It is said tonight that the captain of German cruiser Bremen has given assurances to Admiral Fletcher that he will act in full accord with the United States admiral.

The United States battle ship Louisiana has been ordered to Tampico and is leaving Vera Cruz tonight.

Tampico Attack Confirmed.

Mexico City, Dec. 10.—It is officially stated that the rebels began their attack on Tampico this morning and that fighting has continued all day. It was stated that the rebels in the afternoon had been repulsed, but no dispatch to this effect was produced.

It is reported that all the American battleships, except three at Vera Cruz, have been ordered to Tampico and are being readied for action.

Following yesterday's action of congress in endorsing the Huerta administration and providing for its continuance and that of the congress itself until after new elections set for next July, the Huerta press has begun the systematic dissemination of anti-foreign sentiment, this effort being directed principally against Americans and Spaniards.

In spite of this the members of the American colony continue to rely upon the promises of Huerta that the safety of all foreigners will be the first care of the government in the event of an outbreak in the capital.

Head Issue Approved.

The domestic loan bond issue of twenty million pesos was formally approved by the Chamber of Deputies this afternoon. The Huerta project for the reformation of the public schools system also was approved, extraordinary powers for the carrying out of this plan being given to the executive, who is directed to report on the result in one year.

All engineers, trainmen, and trainmasters of the entire National Railway system who have been connected with the transportation of troops trains have been summoned to the capital. No reason has been given for this move, but it is believed to be due to the suspicion that some of them are in sympathy with the rebels.

The uprising in Hidalgo is attaining menacing proportions. Vincente Segura, the millionaire former bullfighter, with 3,000 men, armed at his own expense, captured the town of Tepic, in Jalisco, today and is now marching on Real del Monte, only fifteen kilometers from Pachuca, Segura's home town, which, it is believed, will capitulate to him.

NEGRO CHOSEN ORATOR.

Honor Centered at Harvard Senior Class Election.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 10.—Alexander L. Jackson, Harvard's speedy negro hurdler, shattered all university records along scholastic lines today by being chosen at the senior class elections to act as orator at the Harvard class day exercises next June.

Jackson comes from Englewood, N. J.

Policeman's Slayer Electrocuted. Auburn, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Nelson Sharp, slayer of Policeman Ford, of Rochester, was electrocuted here today. Before his execution he wrote to his victim's widow begging forgiveness. As he was taken to the chair, he said: "I served in the United States army and navy and I can meet my death like a soldier."

"REMEMBER, SONNY, I'M INTERESTED IN THAT DAWG."



RAILROADS LAY OFF THOUSANDS.

Falling Off in Business Affects Three Big Lines.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 10.—Due to a general falling off in business the Baltimore and Ohio, Western Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroads, all lines leading into Baltimore, have laid off during the last six weeks nearly 4,000 men. The statement of the great number of men laid off is a startling one, and the real seriousness of the situation became known here only today. The greatest numbers laid off by any railroad probably were those employed by the Baltimore and Ohio, numbering about 2,000.

Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio, and J. M. Fitzgerald, president of the Western Maryland, while admitting a general falling off in business, said they preferred not to discuss the matter. Gambie Latrobe, general agent of the Pennsylvania lines in Baltimore, said that the falling off was noted about six weeks ago, and that the Pennsylvania lines around Baltimore then began laying off men.

SCHMIDT SITS SILENT AS CRIME IS RETOLD

Fashionable Women Listens to Revoltant Details of Murder—Defendant's Aged Father Arrives.

New York, Dec. 10.—Divested of his priestly robes, Hans Schmidt, self-confessed murderer of Anna Amullier, silently sat by the side of his counsel today while portions of the gruesome story of his crime were retold.

Witnesses told of the finding of the girl's dismembered body and photographs of the body were introduced as evidence. Miss Anna Hirt, a friend of the murdered girl, told how Anna had confided to her the love which existed between her and Schmidt.

While the Hirt girl gave her testimony, much of which was unpalatable, half a score of handsomely gowned women listened to all the revolting details. One of these women, who refused to give her name, said a note to the assistant district attorney who is prosecuting the case, asking permission to inspect the photographs of the several parts of the dismembered body.

The aged father of the defendant, Heinrich Schmidt, and his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Schmidt, reached New York on the Kaiser Wilhelm II, today. Tomorrow they will be in court to lend comfort to the accused. Weighed down with grief the father expressed the hope that his son might be acquitted.

IRISH TRANSPORT STRIKE OVER.

Larkin's Power Broken by Settlement, Transport Workers Claim.

Dublin, Dec. 10.—Transport workers who have been on strike for nearly four months returned to work today, and Dublin Harbor became the scene of maritime activity for the first time since the middle of August.

Employers claim that the settlement of the strike practically breaks the power of James Larkin, the strike leader, who is in England trying to "raise the fiery cross of industrial revolt." Larkin was the chief figure in the transport strike.

UNIVERSITY O. K.'S THE TANGO.

Chicago Hires Instructor to Teach Students New Step.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—The tango and hesitation dances today have the official sanction of the faculty of the University of Chicago. An instructor has been employed to teach the proper steps to the students. Miss Mary Hinman, physical culture expert at the university, explained the faculty's attitude by saying: "If the students insist upon the dances they may as well do them correctly."

Try Chauffeur for Manuablafter.

Paris, Dec. 10.—The trial of Joseph Moreverand, a chauffeur, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of the two children of Isadora Duncan, the dancer, began today in Criminal Court. Moreverand was driving an automobile containing the children and their governess when it plunged into the Seine, on April 23, last.

Atlantic Coast Line.

Florida-Augusta-Cuba-Routh. All-steel, electric-lighted Pullmans, 3rd, 2nd and 1st class. Standard R. R. of South. Also New York Ave. N. Y. Adm.

"COME OUTSIDE," SHOUTS HOBSON

"Do You Want to Fight," He Yells at Representative Donovan.

WRANGLE IN THE HOUSE

Invitation to Fistic Settlement of Trouble Is Not Accepted, According to Time-honored Custom.

Representative Jerry Donovan, of Connecticut, was born in Ireland, and Representative Richmond P. Hobson, of Alabama, who sunk the Merrimack off the Cuban Coast in the Spanish war, almost came to blows on the floor of the House, yesterday. In every near-physical encounter in Congress one of the disputants always asks the other to "come outside." The time-honored formula was followed by Mr. Donovan and Mr. Hobson.

Mr. Hobson shook his fist at Mr. Donovan and shouted three times, "Do you want to fight?" Then Hobson invited his antagonist to "come outside." This was preceded by an exchange of left-handed compliments in which Hobson called Donovan "a liar." Donovan retorted in kind. "You can't tell the truth on the floor of the House or on the lecture platform," replied Donovan. "You can't even tell the truth about an incident occurring five minutes ago."

Of course Mr. Donovan turned "red with rage" as Hobson assailed him, and Mr. Hobson "swerved with indignation." Causes Little Excitement.

There was little or no excitement among members as Hobson and Donovan gave up their inebriated thoughts about one another. Everybody knew from the beginning that an invitation to "come outside" would be extended, and there was merely speculation as to who would do it first. "Outside" has come to be known in Congress as the "Never, never land." There may have been a time when members who quarreled went "outside," but no one now on the job recalls such an incident.

There has been blood between Hobson and Donovan for several months. Early in the special session Mr. Donovan attacked Hobson on the lecture platform. Donovan's criticisms in this regard were printed in Alabama, much to Hobson's annoyance. Since then the two members have been "spicing" one another.

Yesterday Hobson asked for permission to discuss the question of prohibition in the House today. Mr. Donovan objected, and so did Representative Barthold, of Missouri. Donovan's objection led to the spat with Hobson.

WOMAN FOUND SLAIN IN WOODS.

Coroner Investigates Death of Rich Widow, Relative of Gould.

Toms River, N. J., Dec. 10.—Coroner David O. Parker is investigating the circumstances surrounding the finding of the body of Mrs. Susan Gould, a cousin to the late Jay Gould, in the woods at the extreme west end of Barnegat Park early today. Mrs. Gould had been missing since Saturday. She had been attacked and died as a result of exposure following the attack, according to the coroner.

She was a widow, sixty-five years of age, and her late husband and Jay Gould, the financier, were cousins.

OFFICIAL DENIES GRAFTING.

Capt. Riley Pleads Not Guilty to Indictment Charging Bribery.

New York, Dec. 10.—Former Police Captain Dominick Riley, under indictment for bribery in connection with wire tapping graft, was arraigned today and pleaded not guilty with leave to change his plea later if he so desires. He is out on \$5,000 bail.

KILLED HUSBAND AND CHILD.

Poison Used, Woman Is Said to Have Confessed.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 10.—According to a story published here today in an afternoon paper, Mrs. Cynthia Buffum had confessed to the police that she killed her husband and one of her children with poison at Little Valley, N. Y., where they lived.

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FARRIS GIRL IN INDIANAPOLIS.

Arrives in Custody of Deputy Marshals and Attorney O'Brien.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 10.—Mary Louise Farris, who was indicted by the Federal grand jury here last week on a charge of using the mails to conduct a fraudulent matrimonial bureau, arrived in Indianapolis today, from Washington, in the custody of two deputy United States marshals. She also was accompanied by her attorney, Matthew E. O'Brien, of Washington.

The girl was placed in the care of United States Marshal Schmidt, pending the outcome of the efforts of O'Brien to obtain \$200 bond for her release. The girl was indicted by the grand jury under the name of Mary Farris, alias Susan Meyers. Her home is at Princeton, Ind. Similar indictments were returned against her father and mother, Martin and Emma Farris.

The parents and another daughter, Ora Mabel, were arrested at Princeton last August.

NEW HAVEN PASSES DIVIDEND ON STOCK

Record of Forty Years Goes to Smash by Action of the Directors.

New York, Dec. 10.—The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad after an unbroken dividend record of forty years will pass its dividends due December 31, 1913. This action was decided upon at a meeting of the directors held today.

The action will save the company on the present basis of 6 per cent, \$123,750 on the quarterly dividend. New Haven stock is largely held in the New England States, fully 90 per cent of it, it is said, being owned by women and estates. It is these who will suffer.

Since 1902 the dividend paying capacity of the company steadily has decreased. From 1910 to 1912 the company paid 10 per cent. In 1914 the dividend was reduced to 9 per cent and in 1915 it was cut to 8 per cent. It continued to pay this interest until June of this year when the quarterly dividend was cut to 7 1/2 per cent putting the stock on a 6 per cent basis.

Widely varying opinions have been expressed in Wall Street during the past few days as to what action the board would take but the general impression was that the rate would be cut to 4 per cent.

LAURIER WANTS RECIPROCITY.

Former Canadian Premier Announces Platform for Election Fight.

Ottawa, Dec. 10.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, former premier, announced today that the campaign of the Liberal party for return to power in Canada would be waged with the cost of living as its basis. The liberals, who supported reciprocity with the United States, claim that an enormous weight was put on the Dominion by the new American tariff law and they will attempt to establish a principle of reciprocity.

POSTAL OFFICIAL IN TOILS.

New York Man Held as Embassador of \$27,000 from Uncle Sam.

New York, Dec. 10.—Frederick Murray, for twelve years superintendent of the foreign section of the Appraisers' Department of the Postoffice, today was arrested charged with stealing \$27,000 during the last three years.

Murray is alleged to have spent big sums on a woman with whom he was infatuated and to have lost heavily through gambling.

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CHICAGO POLICE SEEK GUNMEN.

Believe New York Gangsters Guilty of Attempted Murder.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—In the attempted murder of Morris Froehlich, a wealthy automobile dealer, on the door steps of his Michigan boulevard home, the Chicago police today saw a case similar to the Rosenthal murder in New York. The methods used by the four men who attacked Froehlich led the police to search the city for New York gunmen, who were believed to have attempted the murder. Froehlich formerly lived in New York. Two of his brothers are wealthy automobile dealers there.

"Four men were in the automobile which pulled up to the door of Froehlich's house to enter his home. One of them approached Froehlich, pressed a revolver to the victim's abdomen and fired. The bullet was deflected by Froehlich's clothing and made a wound from which he probably will recover."

MRS. PANKHURST DEPIES POLICE

Will Return to England Monday Despite Threatened Arrest.

Paris, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst announced this evening that she would defy the British police and return to London on Monday, when her release license expires.

London, Dec. 10.—Charles Frank, a soldier, in Sylvia Pankhurst's suffrage army who was arrested for assaulting policemen when Mrs. Pankhurst was arrested last night at Shoreditch, was sentenced to two months hard labor today.

WIRE CONTROL BY NATION TOPIC

President and Mr. Burleson Discuss Telegraph and Telephone Ownership. ARE OPEN TO CONVICTION

Postmaster General Says Work of Putting Valuation on Common Carriers Has Been Begun.

Yesterday Postmaster General Burleson acknowledged that the general subject of the telegraph and telephone lines of the United States by the Federal government had been discussed between himself and the President. Mr. Burleson was not disposed, however, to tell just how far the consideration of the subject of Federal control of these institutions might be extended. He told the reporters that the general subject of ultimate Federal ownership had been discussed.

Mr. Burleson outlined the attitude of himself and the President as being one of entire open-mindedness. He said that both were open to conviction as to the justification for the Federal government to take over the telegraph and telephone business, but said that at the present time it would seem unwise to make plans for this multiplication of the functions of the Postoffice Department. He said that the work of setting a proper physical valuation upon the common carriers of the United States was in process of inauguration. Until this had been finished, or at least until a satisfactory method had been accurately preliminary report had been provided upon which to base calculations of income and expenditures, only the barest political position could be taken by the authorities.

Mr. Burleson is disposed to be conservative in the matter of initiating the scheme for the government's assumption of the telegraph and telephone business. He said that to assimilate this business would mean the taking over of properties representing more than \$200,000,000, and possibly approaching \$300,000,000.

The Democratic party," said Mr. Burleson, "has always approached his questions cautiously. It is essential that we make haste slowly."

ROOT WINS NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

New York Senator Also Selected for Hague Arbitration Commission.

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 10.—Two Nobel peace prizes, the highest awards were awarded to United States Senator Elihu Root, of New York, and to Senator Eliu Fontain, of the Belgian Parliament.

As no Nobel peace prize had been awarded since the death of the late Senator Root, the selection committee, in its report, highly praised Senator Root for the part he played in the pacification of Cuba and the Philippines and for his diplomatic handling of American-Japanese affairs.

The Hague, Dec. 10.—Senator Elihu Root, of New York, today was selected as a member of the International Court of Arbitration, to which will be submitted claims of British, French, and Spanish subjects whose property was seized by Portuguese government after the overthrow of King Manuel.

SENATE.

Formally adopted the first amendment to House currency bill. Senators not present before roll call were announced will be heard from having the names appear on the roll call hereafter under a ruling by Vice President Marshall.

Passed resolution to give Congressional officers and employees their December salaries December 20. Senator Sheppard introduced and spoke in favor of a constitutional amendment prohibiting the sale of liquor. Senators Nelson and Crawford spoke on the currency bill.

HOUSE.

Bills on the regular Wednesday calendar were considered and several measures were passed. These included a bill limiting the term of a major general, general commander of the marine corps to four years and a bill to organize the naval militia and provide Federal aid in its upbuilding.

The Moon bill providing that money orders shall be payable at any postoffice money order office and not only at the office upon which they are drawn, was passed. Favorable action was taken on a bill extending the franking privilege to official mail matter relating to the new postal savings system.

Interstate Commerce Committee began hearings on various bills to be from interstate commerce and misbranded and adulterated articles. Committee on Agriculture continued consideration of estimates for the Department of Agriculture and heard Secretary Houston.

Sub-committee of the Banking and Currency Committee held a hearing on rural credit legislation, and the Patents Committee considered bill to amend the copyright laws regarding better protection to authors.

Arrivals of German Steamships. New York, Dec. 10.—Arrived: Olympic, Southampton; Kaiser Wilhelm II, Bremen; Lauen, Shields; Patricia, Hamburg; Detroit, Rango, Rotterdam.

Arrived: until noon today.

RESERVE MUST BE INCREASED, SAYS GARRISON

Secretary of War Thinks Time Is Not Ripe for Disarmament.

"ARMY NOT A LUXURY"

Suggests Congress Permit Honorable Discharge of Soldiers After Attaining Proficiency.

Although no reference was made to the necessity for a larger army, Secretary of War Lindley M. Garrison, in his annual report to the President, made public yesterday, asserts that the time has not yet come when a nation can wisely disarm or slacken its efforts for preparedness in case of war. The Secretary asserts the present provision for an army reserve is not working out well, and, since we must build up a reserve, he has reached the opinion that an act to permit the War Department to honorably discharge a soldier, when it is satisfied of his proficiency, with no other obligation on his part than to return to the colors in case of war, would be more effective.

"While I believe there is a world-wide and growing sentiment for the settlement of international disputes without bloodshed," says Secretary Garrison, "I recognize the fact that a crisis in the world may come when a nation can wisely disarm or slacken its efforts for preparedness in case of war. The army is not a luxury, but a public necessity. A nation that is opulent, enterprising and unarmored as of old still invites aggression, if not disaster."